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Tarrano Murry, 41, of Chicago, holds up a picture of his 18-year-old daughter Nasjay Murry, who was killed last week in Peoria.

Family mourns loss of promising student

She dreamed of being a doctor, but gunshot at party took her life

By **ELVIA MALAGON** | Chicago Tribune

Tarrano Murry tried to get a trace of his 18-year-old daughter's scent as he packed up her dorm at Bradley University, one week after she was shot to death at an off-campus party.

He came across her backpack and inside found a folder of neatly organized notes the biomedical science major kept, though he couldn't make sense of them.

"I wish there was a way I could just finish what she was studying," Murry said. "I know it's kind of hard, but I wish one of my other kids could follow what she was doing, but it's up to them."

His daughter, Nasjay Murry, dreamed of becoming the family's first doctor. But instead, months after the Chicago native had started her freshman year, her family is finalizing the details of her funeral this weekend in Chicago.

Nasjay Murry was at an off-campus party early April 8 when gunshots rang out and she was shot to death, police said. Another person at the party, Anthony Polnitz, 22, of Peoria, was also fatally shot, Peoria police said. A third person was

wounded but survived the shooting.

That morning, Tarrano Murry's 11-year-old daughter called to tell him about the shooting.

"That's when everything just went sour," he said. "I just couldn't believe it ... I just couldn't."

A 16-year-old boy is charged with first-degree murder, but officials have not named him because of his age. Police don't think anyone else will be charged, but Murry wants to see anyone else who was involved criminally charged. About 100 people, a mix of Bradley students and Peoria residents, attended the off-campus party in the 1800 block of West Bradley

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"That's when everything just went sour. I just couldn't believe it ... I just couldn't."

— Tarrano Murry, father of Nasjay Murry, upon hearing that his daughter had been killed

Few cops take carrot to buy in tough areas

Emanuel housing plan needs to be retooled, aldermen say

By **JOHN BYRNE**
 Chicago Tribune

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's latest attempt to get Chicago cops and firefighters to spread out into the city's struggling neighborhoods has yet to draw much interest.

Six months after the mayor dangled a monetary carrot to try to get them to buy homes in high-crime parts of the South and West sides, just two police officers have taken advantage, according to the city Department of Planning and Development. And both closed on houses in the South Side Chatham neighborhood that's already known as a favorite landing spot for first responders and other city workers.

Emanuel's program offers \$30,000 loans to police officers and firefighters to buy a home in certain areas of the city that are more violent. If they stay for at least 10 years, they don't have to pay the city back. It's an idea employed by former Mayor Richard M. Daley in previous decades that Emanuel restarted last year.

Because of the low participation so far, some aldermen are suggesting changes. But the administration wants to see if the program gains steam as the weather warms up and more young officers enter the homebuying market.

The proposal set aside \$3 million to pay for the loans and passed the City

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COLD & COLORFUL

Snow covers flowers Monday morning outside City Hall and the County Building in Chicago as the temperature failed to rise above 34 degrees. The cold and damp start to spring continues, but a slight warmup could be coming this weekend.

Tom Skilling's forecast High **45** Low **32**

Chicago Weather Center: Complete forecast on back page of A+E section

■ Cold, wet spring also chaos for baseball schedule. **David Haugh, Chicago Sports**

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Cohen's mystery client: Hannity

In a legal defeat for Trump's lawyer, Fox News personality is named

By **JOSEPH TANFANI**
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's longtime lawyer and fixer, Michael Cohen, lost an early round in federal court in Manhattan on Monday as a judge ordered him to disclose the name of a celebrity client he had tried to keep secret: Fox News personality Sean Hannity.

The disclosure was the latest surprise in an extraordinary court case in which the president is fighting his own Justice Department — and losing so far.

U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Wood rejected a request from Trump's lawyer to issue a restraining order in the case. But she delayed her ruling on the bigger question on whether lawyers for Cohen and Trump could quash at least some of the evidence that FBI agents seized from Cohen last week despite what Trump's attorney called "the highly politicized, even fevered, atmosphere that envelops this matter."

Cohen's lawyer, Stephen Ryan, told the court that Cohen had only three clients — Trump, Elliot Brody, a prominent Los Angeles-based Republican

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GOLUB & CO. AND CIM GROUP

Plans to build a 1,422-foot high-rise, featuring residences and a hotel, near Tribune Tower were unveiled Monday.

Developers plan city's 2nd-tallest skyscraper

New building would dwarf neighboring Tribune Tower

By **BLAIR KAMIN AND RYAN ORI**
 Chicago Tribune

Developers on Monday unveiled plans for Chicago's second-tallest skyscraper, a tapering shaft of metal and glass that would soar above historic Tribune Tower, resemble the top of Batman's black mask and be only 29 feet shorter than Willis Tower.

If completed, the \$1 billion-plus project to repurpose Tribune Tower and build a skinny, 1,422-foot high-rise just northeast of it would bring more than 700 residences and 200 hotel rooms to an area north of the Chicago River.

The developers, Chicago-based Golub & Co. and CIM Group of Los Angeles, will seek a rezoning to build the skyscraper, which would supplant Trump International Hotel & Tower as the city's second-tallest. The designs were revealed at a community meeting Monday night.

In June, the Chicago Tribune will move from its neo-Gothic Michigan Avenue complex, its home for nearly a century, to One Prudential Plaza. CIM Group and Golub bought the Tribune property from Tribune Media, a separate broadcasting concern, for \$240 million in 2016.

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■ In Sunday's Life+Style section, a feature about "things to do with kids" incorrectly listed the day for two events sponsored by the Forest Preserves of Cook County in honor of Earth Day. Those events will be Saturday.

■ The Friday A&E celebrity news story on Page 2 contained wrong ages for the celebrity birthdays on April 13. The correct ages are: Singer Al Green is 72; actor Ron Perlman, 68; drummer Max Weinberg, 67; and actor Rick Schroder, 48. The Tribune regrets the errors.

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Bomb Syria but bar refugees? It's time to update Statue of Liberty.



REX W. HUPPKE

Our recent missile attack on Syria has led me to believe it's time to re-vamp the Statue of Liberty.

The two things might seem unrelated, but hear me out.

So far this year, the United States has allowed 11 Syrian refugees into the country. That is roughly one-sixth the number of Tomahawk cruise missiles we fired into Syria last week in a surgical strike that came after President Bashar Assad again used chemical weapons on his own people.

The Syrian dictator is a murderer, plain and simple, and America joined with France and the United Kingdom to knock out some of his chemical weapon stockpiles and manufacturing facilities. The belief is that the use of chemical weapons cannot be tolerated and must not go unpunished. I agree with that, though it does seem we have a willingness to tolerate Assad's rampant killing of Syrians when non-chemical weapons are used.

But what about the scant number of Syrian refugees allowed into the United States? In 2016, we resettled 15,479 refugees from that country. But in 2017, under the Trump administration's first year, only 3,024 were admitted. And now, four months into 2018, we have welcomed 11.

Why? Because the administration is worried these refugees might either be terrorists or grow up to be terrorists. There's no evidence to support that, but fear has been mongered and we're left delivering a rather odd message to the Syrian people and to the world:

"Even though we're too afraid to let you into our country, we care about you enough to attack your country when your ruler attacks you (as long as that attack involves chemical weapons), but you can't flee those attacks and come to our country because we're afraid you might attack us at some point in the future, and even though that seems kind of contradictory — if we think you're going to kill us, why would we care if you live or die? — we hope you'll understand that we care deeply about your safety and that's why we're attacking your country, which you need to stay in because you can't come here. Also, here are some missiles. We hope they help."

Make sense? Of course it doesn't. Which is why I think it's high time we reboot the Statue of Liberty. It seems dated and, if I'm being honest, more than a little disingenuous.

You'll recall that the statue features a plaque bearing the words of "The New Colossus," a poem by Emma Lazarus:

*Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name
MOTHER OF EXILES. From her beacon-hand
Glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.
"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"*

You see what I mean? It just doesn't feel very in-the-moment anymore. I imagine the 11 Syrian refugees we accepted this year would agree, given the sheer number of tired and poor Syrians we're turning away from our sea-washed, sunset gates.

So here's what I propose:
We ship most of the Statue of Liberty back to France with a nice note of thanks attached. We keep the arms and the mouth.

We have missile manufacturer Raytheon build a Statue-of-Liberty-sized shell of a Tomahawk missile, attaching the former Statue of Liberty's arms and mouth, because that will look awesome. Kind of like a Liberty Death Robot, only we won't call it that — we'll call it the Statue of Nope.

Then we install a plaque inside the Statue of Nope statue that reads:

*Unlike the brazen giant France sent us,
With a torch to welcome not the best people,
Here at our very strong sea-washed border
A mighty missile shall stand tall, ready to
Launch and destroy all bad dudes, and his name
ENTRANCE DENIED. From his menacing launch pad
Glows world-wide threat; his warhead commands
The harbor near fantastic Trump properties.
"Keep out, refugees of ancient lands," cries he
With noisy lips. "Do not give me your poor or
Tired, we are strictly America first!
But we will send bombs to your teeming shore.
We hope this helps and that you say thank you,
Now move along because you can't stay here."*

If that's the message we're going to send to the world, we might as well make it loud and clear.

All hail America's glorious Statue of Nope.

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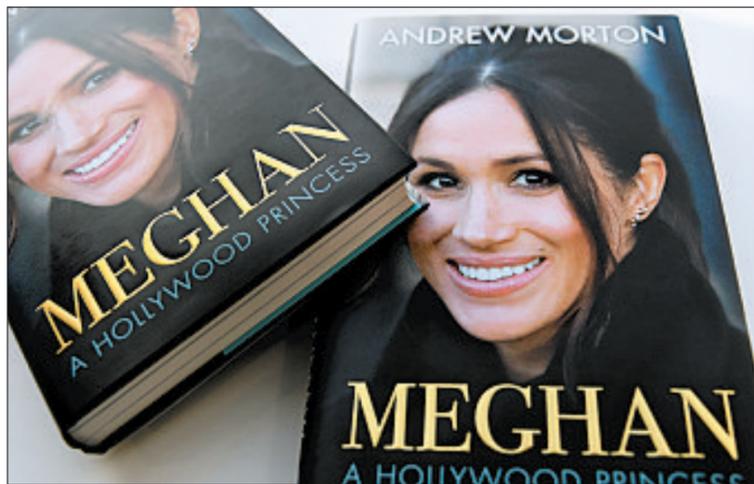
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"Meghan: A Hollywood Princess," by Andrew Morton, is due out Tuesday.

New Meghan Markle book rehashes time at Northwestern

Actress-turned-royal-to-be **Meghan Markle** wore heavier makeup and experimented with highlighting her hair when she began attending Northwestern University nearly two decades ago, biographer **Andrew Morton** writes in his new book.

"Meghan: A Hollywood Princess" — due out Tuesday — explores Markle's background as she prepares to marry **Prince Harry** on May 19 at Windsor Castle. About a dozen of the book's 250 pages are devoted to Markle's time studying theater and international relations at Northwestern from 1999 to 2003 — though not much new information is revealed.

It seems as though Markle — who was spotted in Chicago last week — had a pretty typical college experience. Here's a roundup of the Chicago and Evanston mentions in Morton's book:

■ Markle's family has roots in Chicago. Her father, **Thomas Markle**, grew up in Pennsylvania and later moved to Chicago. He worked as a lighting director at WTTW-Ch. 11. He married **Roslyn Loveless**, and they raised their two children, **Yvonne** and **Tom Jr.**, together in



Meghan Markle's sorority portrait from NU

Chicago until the couple split and Tom Sr. moved to the West Coast. He wed Meghan Markle's mom, **Doria Ragland**, in 1979.

■ Attending Northwestern University was an early dream for Markle. Morton reports she played Little Red Riding Hood in her high school's March 1997 production of **Stephen Sondheim's** musical "Into the Woods." In the production's program notes, she predicted that Northwestern would be the

next stop on her way to Broadway. She matriculated in 1999. She lived in the North Mid-Quads residence hall and intended to study English.

■ She was also a "party animal" in college. Markle rushed Kappa Kappa Gamma, which "embraced her warmly" — except for the sorority members who thought her "too assertive." She participated in Northwestern's famous Dance Marathon, which helped her work off the "freshman 15" she put on during late-night trips to Burger King. She used a fake ID at the Keg, an Evanston bar that closed its doors in 2013.

— Tracy Swartz

1871 vet Tullman to run IIT initiative

If Chicago is to compete for the likes of Amazon's second headquarters, it's going to need to develop its technology talent.

It's with that idea in mind that Chicago entrepreneur **Howard Tullman**, former CEO of the 1871 tech hub, has been appointed to lead a new innovation center at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Tullman is the first executive director of the Ed Kaplan Family Institute for Innovation and Tech Entrepreneurship, university officials announced in a news release Monday. He begins in the post May 1.

Kaplan, an Illinois Tech alumnus and board member, and his wife donated \$11 million to create the center, scheduled to open this fall.

In launching an institute that focuses on teaching innovation, Tullman said the goal is to train students beyond their



Tullman

technical education to focus also upon ingenuity. The Kaplan Institute also would better prepare students for work at Illinois Tech's tech incubator, launched in 2006, which focuses more on product design, Tullman said.

"Innovation is the process of making things better," Tullman said. "Every company desperately needs ongoing innovation."

The move comes as city and state leaders try to position the Chicago area as an ideal location for international corporations, including trying to woo Apple and Amazon to locate their second headquarters here.

"I want (Illinois Tech) to be a go-to place when Amazon and all these people do their calculations," Tullman said. "They couldn't have been clearer that talent was a major concern."

— Dawn Rhodes

Is CM Punk UFC bout a sucker's bet?

UFC did its best to find a winnable matchup for **CM Punk**, but several sportsbooks still don't like his chances against **Mike "the Truth" Jackson**.

Bovada.lv has Punk as a 2-1 underdog for his June 9 bout at the United Center and Bookmaker.eu comes in close at 11-5.

"Punk reportedly has made tremendous strides since his debut (a first-round loss to **Mickey Gall** in 2016), but our oddsmakers still think he is going to be outmatched and overwhelmed in his second foray in the octagon," Bookmaker odds consultant **D.J. Fields** said via email. "In Mike Jackson you have a fighter who is six years younger with (a) background as a boxer, kickboxer and MMA fighter and much more amateur experience than Punk. He has been competing in MMA as an amateur since 2008 with professional fights as a boxer and kickboxer."

But fans haven't shied away from putting money on Punk. In fact, the Chicago native, whose real name is **Phil Brooks**, might be something of a sucker's



CM Punk

bet — Bookmaker saw a 57 percent uptick in UFC wagers on Punk's first fight, and that was a more obvious mismatch than his UFC 225 opponent this summer. Thirty-nine percent of MMA-junkie's Twitter poll-takers predicted a Punk victory. U.K.-based odds comparison site Oddschecker.com reports about 55 percent of bets going Punk's

way as of Monday.

Bookmaker's Fields said, "We still expect to see money bet on Punk at a 3-1 ratio as he is one of the few fighters that the public seems to go out of their way to wager on."

Westgate Las Vegas SuperBook hasn't set odds yet, but Vice President of Race and Sports Operations **Jay Kornegay** explained the special dynamics at play with Punk vs. Jackson. "CM Punk is a big draw for the UFC and he's from Chicago so they wanted to do an event in Chicago with him on the pay-per-view card," he said via email.

— Phil Thompson

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White anger over arrest of black men long overdue



DAHLEEN GLANTON

It's nice that so many white people are appalled by that incident at a Philadelphia Starbucks where two African-American men were hauled off to jail for being black.

On behalf of black people, I'd like to thank you for your support.

But I'd also like to ask, "What took you so long?"

It was disheartening to watch the video of the young men sitting quietly at a table being surrounded by police officers and then led out in handcuffs. An employee at the Starbucks had summoned police because the men had asked to use the restroom, were denied and then sat down to wait for a friend for a business meeting.

The official charge: trespassing. The unofficial charge: living while black.

It should not come as a surprise to white people that African-Americans often are targeted and mistreated because of their skin color.

We've been complaining about that for decades. We've even offered video proof.

Obviously, some white people have not been paying attention.

This certainly isn't the first case in which a black man has been taken to jail — or killed for that matter — simply for living while black. But white people said either little or nothing, or turned it around and blamed the victim.

Where was the white outrage when 17-year-old Laquan McDonald was shot to death on a busy Chicago street as he was walking away from police officers?

Video captured his body falling to the ground in a haze of dust, jerking and twitching on the pavement as a veteran officer sprayed him with 16 bullets. Yet many whites were able to justify the shooting of the teenager, who had no gun,

by the mere fact that he'd had a troubled life.

Why were whites so silent four years ago when 43-year-old Eric Garner died while being arrested for selling cigarettes on a street in New York? Video showed police putting Garner in a chokehold as he repeatedly cried out, "I can't breathe."

How could white people say nothing when 50-year-old Walter Scott was shot in the back by a police officer who had stopped his car in North Charleston, S.C., for a broken taillight? Video showed the officer fire eight times as Scott fled on foot, and then casually walked over to Scott's body.

And what about those young black girls who were manhandled by police at a Texas pool party?

The video showing a police officer showing a 15-year-old bikini-clad girl's face to the ground and holding her down with his knee should have disturbed everybody.

The video of a school police officer grabbing a black female student by the neck as she sat at her desk, flipping her backward and dragging her across the classroom floor sickened me. How did it make you feel?

You should have been outraged when you saw the video of police in Grand Rapids, Mich., approach 11-year-old Honestie Hodges with their guns drawn as she walked out of her home headed to the store. Police had swarmed the house looking for an older woman, and handcuffed the child even as she cried for them to stop.

The two men in the Starbucks should consider themselves lucky. All too often, black men don't get to walk away from police encounters with everything intact but their pride. And they don't normally get hordes of white people shouting about the injustice of it all.

What was it that made these men worthy of white empathy? Only white people can truthfully answer that question, but I'm going to share a few ideas of my own.

Perhaps it was because

the men in Starbucks acted like the perfect African-Americans. They didn't resist. They didn't talk back. They didn't look at the officers in a way that might have made the policemen uncomfortable or angry.

They didn't get up from their chairs in a way that could have been misconstrued as intimidation. They didn't try to defend themselves in any way whatsoever. Their demeanor was that of total submission. They did what black parents have long told their boys they must do in order to stay alive. They were smart.

There is no question that many white people understand the unfair disadvantage black people, particularly black men, have with law enforcement officials. Some whites readily stand up on our behalf and are partners in our quest for a more just policing.

But far too many whites are quick to label any black person who has an encounter with police a thug, even before the facts are in.

If there is a lesson to be taken from the Starbucks incident, it is not that black people are too often mistreated. Rather, it is that white people more often than not can get away with almost anything.

The white man who was to join the black men at Starbucks was visibly upset when he entered the coffee shop and saw what was going on. He hounded the police to explain the arrests and they dutifully answered him.

Black people don't have the freedom to question police without the risk of making matters worse.

So again, it's nice when white people stand up for blacks who obviously have done nothing wrong. But don't expect us to just sit around and wait for whites to come to our rescue.

Black people have a far greater goal. We will not be satisfied until we are able to be in a Starbucks or any other place in America and just enjoy living while black — without fear of being harassed.

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Emanuel wants to expand Riverwalk

BY BILL RUTHHART AND JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

Mayor Rahm Emanuel on Monday again highlighted his push to open up the Chicago River to recreation, giving a campaign-style speech in which he briefly mentioned his vision for more improvements to the popular downtown Riverwalk.

Emanuel talked of expanding the riverfront attraction to the east, south and north but offered few details on what that would look like, how much it would cost or how he'd pay for it.

The Riverwalk initially was a vision of predecessor Mayor Richard M. Daley, but Emanuel has brought it to life, thanks in large part to a federal loan he secured from former President Barack Obama's administration. The stretches of the Riverwalk from State Street on the east to Lake Street on the west were built on Emanuel's watch.

Now the mayor plans to tackle the eastern stretch between State Street and Lake Michigan, which he's now dubbing Riverwalk East. Emanuel said he would roll out details in the coming weeks "so that the entire Riverwalk, from the lake to the point, will be one enjoyable experience."

The mayor also briefly mentioned that he was "looking at building a new trail" from Chinatown's Ping Tom Memorial Park on the South Branch of the river up to the Riverwalk's western

edge at Lake Street. Emanuel did not offer details, other than to say it would build on concepts offered during last year's Chicago Architecture Biennial.

As part of that event, architectural firms developed ideas for three locations along the 1.8-mile potential extension to Ping Tom: the Civic Opera House waterfront, the stretch beneath the Congress Parkway Bridge and the area below the St. Charles Air Line Bridge.

With developers clamoring to build along the river's North Branch, Emanuel's administration put together a plan to establish the amount of publicly accessible open space that must be created on or near the river in fast-growing areas like Goose Island. During his Monday speech, Emanuel said the plan would create 62 acres of "publicly accessible open space," including new trails, fields and an extension of The 606 trail.

Ald. Michele Smith has said the framework is inadequate given how crowded the western part of Lincoln Park is already and the likelihood that thousands of new residents will be moving to new residential towers there during the next decade. The 43rd Ward alderman has called for larger parcels of contiguous green space for children to play sports.

For the most part Monday, Emanuel recounted recent river and lakefront projects during his speech to about 200 people at the XS

Tennis and Education center in Washington Park. For example, the mayor said his administration's work to split up the Lakefront Trail for cycling and running — thanks mostly to a \$12 million gift from Chicago billionaire Ken Griffin — would be completed later this year.

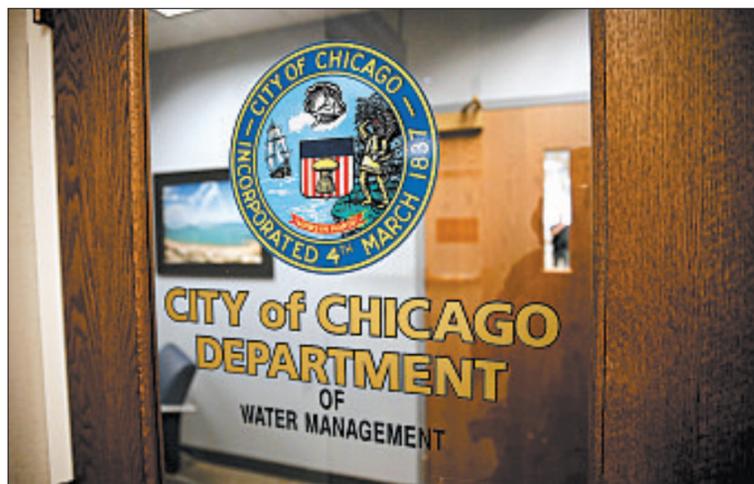
Emanuel noted the construction of four river boat-houses and other improvements that have come to fruition while discussing plans to build more sports facilities, including an indoor track at Gately Park and 50 mini soccer pitches throughout the city in partnership with the Chicago Fire, U.S. Soccer Foundation and Griffin.

It's all part of a theme Emanuel has sought to foster under the slogan "Building on Burnham," a reference to famed Chicago architect Daniel Burnham. Emanuel launched that effort during a speech two years ago.

On Monday, Emanuel invoked Burnham's famous quote.

"We are still making no little plans," Emanuel said during a speech that featured nearly 70 slides of photos and maps. "(We are) ensuring that 'city in a garden' is not just a slogan on a seal, but a reality in every community and a reality in every child's life and that the blue stripes on our flag are not just symbols of our waterways' past, but North Stars guiding Chicago's future."

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In all, the inspector general has sought to discipline seven water department staffers.

Obama was butt of some racist city emails

Water department boss suspended in latest scandal fallout

BY TODD LIGHTY AND HAL DARDICK
Chicago Tribune

A Chicago water department supervisor was suspended for failing to report offensive emails including one that suggested then-President Barack Obama being bid on at a Southern slave auction, according to the city inspector general's final report summarizing its investigation into racist and sexist emails shared among workers.

Inspector General Joseph Ferguson recommended three additional Department of Water Management employees be disciplined for their roles in the email scandal. It led to resignations of much of its leadership and vows from Mayor Rahm Emanuel's office to combat harassment and discrimination in what critics saw as a racist and misogynistic department.

In total, Ferguson has now recommended that seven water department employees be disciplined for their actions in sharing or failing to report racist and sexist emails, which circulated among city employees for at least five years, according to a quarterly report released by his office Monday. The report doesn't identify the workers or supervisors.

Offensive jokes about Obama, the nation's first black president, periodically were shared among department employees, including a newly revealed email with the subject line "Obama Angry with Texas!"

According to Ferguson's report, the email states in part: "Obama will be making no more public speeches in Texas... He claims every time he gets up on stage to make a speech, some South Texas cotton farmers start bidding on him."

Another email had the subject line "Black NASCAR drivers??" It purported to list reasons "why there are no black NASCAR drivers," according to the report. They included: "Pistol won't stay under front seat," "Engine noise drowns out the rap music," "They keep trying to car-jack Dale Earnhardt Jr."

Yet another newly revealed email took aim at the Black Lives Matter movement, according to the report. "I really need to get out in the woods again if not to just be with the critters, but also to eradicate all the BLM idiots and all the bull s--- from the idiots and criminals that back these...I'll stop...." it read.

Ferguson reported that those emails, and others, were shared with a supervisor, who was required under city policy to report it. He found no evidence, however, that the supervisor ever shared the emails or responded to them.

The water department suspended the supervisor for five days.

Ferguson also investigated the conduct of another supervisor, who allegedly failed to report racist email and who, "on

multiple occasions, responded affirmatively to racist and offensive emails."

According to Ferguson, the supervisor received an email from a city employee in which the employee referenced traveling through two towns in North Carolina and Tennessee. The employee wrote: "Google both of them and I guarantee you can't find a negro!" Soon afterward, the employee sent another email stating, "or a taco bender for that matter."

The supervisor, according to the report, responded: "god love you, you have found paradise you lucky mutha."

Ferguson recommended that the supervisor be fired and placed on the city's do-not-rehire list. The water department agreed, and the supervisor has appealed the ruling.

In another instance, Ferguson recommended that a rank-and-file worker be disciplined for using city email to repeatedly refer to a black supervisor by a "disparaging nickname" and for engaging in "sexual banter" in emails. The worker resigned before being disciplined and has been placed on the do-not-hire list.

A city spokeswoman on Monday reiterated the water department's "zero-tolerance policy for racism, sexism, homophobia or religious discrimination of any kind."

Megan Vidis said that department Commissioner Randy Conner, installed by Emanuel to clean up the department, "took appropriate disciplinary actions in each instance, which included suspensions and terminations. Any reports of inappropriate actions continue to be taken very seriously, investigated immediately and dealt with regardless of job title."

The inspector general's latest quarterly report sums up his monthslong investigation of the use of city email to "transmit racist, bigoted and misogynistic emails, which included offensive purported jokes, racial slurs and sexually explicit photos." Ferguson's probe began in late 2016, when his office started looking into the possibility of gun deals being conducted through a city email account.

That effort led to the seizure of former water department District Superintendent Paul Hansen's computer. After that, the investigation homed in on racist, sexist, homophobic and anti-Islamic emails. Hansen, the son of former 44th Ward Ald. Bernie Hansen, also resigned.

Overall, Ferguson investigated seven workers, six supervisors and one rank-and-file worker. He recommended that five be fired and one suspended. Another resigned during the investigation. That's on top of the resignations of former department leader Barrett Murphy and managing deputy commis-

sioner William Bresnahan. Obama was the subject of other emails that were previously unearthed by the inspector general and circulated among the three supervisors.

In January 2017, Hansen sent a message first to Murphy and minutes later to Bresnahan about checking a water fountain on the 2700 block of Irving Park Road, the site of Horner Park.

"Got a call from an asian carp calling from his obama issued aquaphone tellin me it taste funny!" Hansen wrote.

Hansen that same month also forwarded to Murphy a series of images of anti-Obama signs the email says were posted along a highway in Seattle. In November 2015, Hansen and other supervisors circulated a lengthy, profanity-laced anti-Obama joke among one another.

Emanuel, who served as Obama's chief of staff, decried those and other emails and installed Conner as the new water department commissioner, with marching orders to change the culture at the long-troubled department.

Ferguson noted that Emanuel has made "numerous public commitments to combat harassment and discrimination within (the water department) through appropriate discipline and additional Equal Employment Opportunity training for all managers and supervisors."

As Ferguson's probe progressed, current and former African-American department employees last June filed a lawsuit against the city, alleging they were denied promotions, subjected to racial slurs and sexually harassed because of their race. Those allegations also sparked City Council hearings that further highlighted the issue and included allegations that the problems persisted.

Not long after the suit was filed, emails turned over to the Tribune as part of an open records request cast light on the scope and offensiveness of racist, sexist and anti-gay slurs by politically connected supervisors at the top levels of the department.

An image of a Ku Klux Klan "scarecrow" amid a watermelon field, a picture of a naked woman on a beach and off-color comments about gay people found their way into inboxes between early 2013 and last April.

Ferguson in a report then detailed how a supervisor in the department made light of deadly Fourth of July violence in black neighborhoods by offering "Chicago Safari" tours.

That particular email was linked to Frank Capuzi, an investigator with the state Workers' Compensation Commission and son of a former Republican state lawmaker. Capuzi retired amid a state probe into his emails.

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City, surfers contest chromium spills deal

Federal settlement with U.S. Steel too lenient, critics say

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Chicago and a band of Great Lakes surfers are challenging a federal legal settlement with U.S. Steel, accusing the Trump administration of failing to punish the steelmaker harshly enough for repeated spills of toxic chromium into Lake Michigan.

In a letter sent Friday and made public Monday, the Chicago Law Department and the nonprofit Surfrider Foundation vowed to oppose the proposed deal in federal court unless the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Justice make significant changes.

The letter described the nearly \$900,000 in proposed fines and other penalties as woefully insufficient, condemned a lack of environmental improve-



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Steel mills along Lake Michigan in northwest Indiana often draw environmental scrutiny.

ment projects for surrounding communities and demanded an independent study of potential long-term damage caused by chromium discharges from U.S. Steel's Midwest Plant in Portage, Ind.

U.S. Steel also should be

required to create an automated early warning system to alert authorities about future spills, the letter concluded.

"State and federal regulators have failed to provide adequate oversight or take necessary enforcement ac-

tion," Edward Siskel, the city's corporation counsel, and Michelle Kremer, Surfrider's chief executive, wrote in the three-page letter.

The EPA and Justice Department began negotiating privately with U.S. Steel last

year after Surfrider enlisted the Abrams Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Chicago to research pollution violations at factories on the southern shore of Lake Michigan.

Law students at the clinic unearthed records that revealed the Midwest Plant had violated chromium limits in its federal water pollution permit at least four times since 2013, including during an April 2017 spill involving 298 pounds of a highly toxic form of the metal known as hexavalent chromium.

Total chromium discharges from the plant are restricted to 30 pounds a day, and the amount of hexavalent chromium allowed is just 0.51 pounds a day.

The Midwest Plant, part of an industrial complex that divides the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, coats steel forged at the nearby Gary Works with chromium and other rust-inhibiting materials. Pittsburgh-based U.S. Steel already has overhauled the

faulty system that triggered the spill last April, according to court documents.

As part of its proposed settlement with the government, U.S. Steel also agreed to test daily for hexavalent chromium, embark on a preventive maintenance program and upgrade other types of pollution monitoring.

In November, Mayor Rahm Emanuel threatened to sue U.S. Steel over the plant's chronic pollution problems, citing testing after the April 2017 spill that detected a plume of hexavalent chromium drifting toward the city's drinking water intake off 68th Street. The EPA later rejected Emanuel's request for the city to be involved in negotiations that led to the proposed settlement.

When the deal was announced in early April, the EPA and U.S. Steel said it would ensure the lake is protected from further harm.

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High court again nixes appeal by Blagojevich

Pardon among final hopes for early exit from federal prison

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The U.S. Supreme Court announced Monday it will not hear former Gov. Rod Blagojevich's appeal, marking the end of a decadelong legal road and virtually guaranteeing he will remain in prison until 2024 barring a presidential pardon or commutation.

The justices did not comment in letting stand the convictions and 14-year prison term that Blagojevich is serving. It marked the second time in two years that the high court has rejected hearing Blagojevich's appeal.

Blagojevich's lawyers had hoped the Supreme Court would take up his case to make clear what constitutes illegal political fundraising. They argued that politicians are vulnerable to prosecution because the line between what's allowed and what's illegal is blurry.

His convictions included trying to extort a children's hospital for contributions and seeking cash in exchange for an appointment to the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Barack Obama when he was elected president in 2008.

With his legal options exhausted, Blagojevich's best hope for a reprieve at this point would be a pardon or commutation of his sentence from President Donald Trump, who had a friendly relationship with the ex-governor when he appeared on Trump's "Celebrity Apprentice" reality show in 2010.

After Blagojevich was convicted a year later, Trump told Forbes magazine that he "felt bad for him and his family."

"It's a tragedy," Trump said at the time. "It just seemed like he was in over his head, you know what I mean?"

Blagojevich, now 61, is still slated to remain in prison until May 2024, pris-



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Ex-Gov. Rod Blagojevich's corruption sentence currently runs until 2024.

on records show.

In an emailed statement Monday, Blagojevich's wife, Patti, said the family "could not be more disappointed" in the Supreme Court's decision and hinted at the possibility of intervention from the White House.

"From the beginning, we've had faith in the system and have felt the court would bring Rod back to us," she said. "Now, with the judiciary no longer an option, we'll have to put our faith elsewhere and find another way. ... We will continue to push forward and work towards the day when our family can be whole again."

Blagojevich was still in office when he was arrested at his home early one morning in December 2008 on charges of misusing his powers as governor in an array of wrongdoing. Blagojevich was convicted in 2011 on 17 counts related to the attempted Senate seat sale and fundraising shake-downs of a hospital executive and a racetrack owner. Less than a year earlier, an initial trial ended with a jury deadlocked on all but one count of lying to the FBI, forcing the retrial.

In Blagojevich's first appeal in 2015, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago threw out five counts involving the Senate seat on technical grounds. But the court tempered the small victory for Blagojevich by calling the evidence against him overwhelming

and making it clear that the original sentence was not out of bounds.

That set up a resentencing hearing in August 2016 that focused largely on Blagojevich's purported rehabilitation in prison, where he teaches history and counsels inmates and even served as lead singer in a prison band, The Jailhouse Rockers. Both of Blagojevich's daughters gave impassioned pleas for mercy, and Blagojevich himself apologized for his "mistakes" without specifically mentioning the crimes for which he was convicted.

"I recognize it was my actions and my words that led me here," Blagojevich said in a soft voice from a conference room in the federal prison outside Denver. "This can be a beginning to make amends for the past."

However, U.S. District Judge James Zagel, who imposed the original sentence, resentenced Blagojevich to the same 14-year prison term.

Blagojevich's attorney, Leonard Goodman, has long argued that Blagojevich was the victim of overreach by prosecutors whose interpretation of the law essentially criminalized political horse trading and campaign fundraising.

Goodman said Monday that by declining to hear Blagojevich's case, the Supreme Court "decided not to correct a dangerous conflict in the law that makes it incredibly easy for federal prosecutors in Midwest cities like Chicago to jail elected officials, while prosecutors on the coasts have a much higher burden."

"Rod Blagojevich never sought a bribe or a kickback; he never took a penny from his campaign fund; he never promised anything to any donor in exchange for a campaign donation," Goodman wrote in an email. "Yet he is serving one of the longest prison sentences ever handed down to an elected official."

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Fine for double parking could triple to \$300 for downtown

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Drivers who illegally double park downtown soon could face triple the fine at \$300.

On Monday, Ald. Brendan Reilly advanced his plan to hit drivers harder if they are parked "on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street within the Central Business District."

Currently, the citywide fine is \$100, and it would stay that way outside the

downtown area.

But fines would triple inside the area bordered on the north along Division Street from the lake to LaSalle Street, south from LaSalle to Chicago Avenue, west from Chicago to Halsted Street, south along Halsted to Roosevelt Road and east on Roosevelt from Halsted to the lake.

The 42nd Ward alderman said he wants to hike downtown fines because commercial delivery drivers aren't deterred by the prospect of a \$100 ticket, which he said many compa-

nies see as "the cost of doing business."

By charging more, Reilly said he hopes to get the truck drivers to instead use metered commercial loading zones the city has introduced around downtown in the past year.

"This is not about revenue, it's about trying to drive compliance," he said.

The Chicago City Council is expected to vote on the plan at its Wednesday meeting.

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Tarrano Murry looks at photos of his daughter Nasjay on Monday at his Chicago home.

Dad: Her life was 'just beginning'

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Avenue, police said.

In the past week, Murry has tried to piece together what happened and has learned his daughter was near a door when the gunshots started.

"I don't understand why people from the neighborhood, you know people like gang-banging guys, would come to something like that," he said. "They aren't in school or nothing. It's like they brought the devil there."

Nasjay Murry was the oldest of three, and she had two additional stepsisters, her father said. Her paternal grandmother, Patricia Hill, said the teen would stress out about her classes, but she always managed to end up with good grades. She graduated from King College Prep on the city's South Side.

David Narain, principal at King College Prep, said Murry was a quiet student but would open up in one-on-one conversations. It wasn't unusual to see her working on homework

long past when classes ended, he said. She was also concerned about her community on the South Side, Narain said. He recalls talking to her about how she could make an impact in her community.

"All of our students are very bright," Narain said. "They go away to school to escape the violence and the circumstances that are associated with the South Side of Chicago, but even for Nasjay that was" not necessarily the case."

Murry had been accepted to several schools, including the prestigious Brown University, and the staff at the high school tried to persuade her to attend the Ivy League school in Providence, R.I. But the tug of her family and its support pulled



FAMILY PHOTO

Nasjay Murry was a graduate of King College Prep on Chicago's South Side.

"She had dance battles with her sister, singing battles with her uncles and rap battles with her dad. She was a ball of fun."

— April Hill, on her cousin Nasjay Murry

hard, and she worried about the cultural clash she would experience on a predominately white campus, Narain said.

"I think she was a little nervous about whether she would be successful in that environment without her support structure," Narain said. At Bradley, she figured she was only a bus and train ride away from her family.

Through Snapchat, Murry stayed in touch with her high school friends as they sent photos while they studied or other times wished one another good night and good morning. And through Facebook, April Hill, one of her cousins, helped the teen with her schoolwork.

But Murry didn't take herself too seriously, call-

ing herself the professional goofball, her cousin said. She remembers Murry would spontaneously start singing songs by New Edition, a 1980s R&B group, as she cleaned around the house. "She had dance battles with her sister, singing battles with her uncles and rap battles with her dad," Hill said. "She was a ball of fun."

Tia Rice, a high school friend, recalled "Can You Stand the Rain," by New Edition, was one of Murry's favorite songs. It was one of the songs she often sang while they were getting ready for gym class in high school.

"Every time we would get ready, we would have to go to the locker to change and we would bang on the lockers and make beats and make songs," Rice said.

Kiera Myles, another high school friend, remembers long bus rides for trips they took as part of the school's band.

"We watched movies, we cut jokes, sing songs, we tell stories," Myles said. "And then after a while when everyone fell asleep, we fell asleep."

Myles and Rice plan to travel back to Chicago to attend the funeral. On Monday, a relative dropped off pop at the family's North Kenwood home for the funeral. Patricia Hill and Tarrano Murry can't shake the image of Nasjay Murry at the Peoria County coroner's office. It all still seems unbelievable to the family.

"She didn't deserve this at all," her father said. "She was just beginning her life, her new life. For someone to take it for their drama ... it's just the hardest part."

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Ed Burke has been 14th Ward alderman since 1969.

Ald. Burke shrugs off potential challenge

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Ald. Ed Burke said Monday he's not worried about losing the seat he's held since 1969 to a progressive Democrat in next year's city election, but the 74-year-old City Hall power broker also stopped short of saying he'd run for an unprecedented 13th full term.

The 14th Ward alderman's comments are the first he's made publicly since his brother, 27-year state Rep. Dan Burke, lost in last month's Democratic primary to Aaron Ortiz, a 26-year-old high school counselor backed by Cook County Commissioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia.

Garcia, who's poised to succeed U.S. Rep. Luis Guterrez come January, backed Ortiz as part of a slate of three candidates challenging Ed Burke's iron political grip in the Southwest Side ward. The slate took all three contests.

Garcia has hinted he may put up another progressive against Burke in the February 2019 city election. Burke has run virtually unopposed since 1971, and if he's worried about a challenge to his longtime reign, he did not show it at City Hall on Monday.

Asked by reporters if he'll run again, Burke responded, "Why would you wonder?" Reminded of his brother's recent loss, the alderman pointed out his brother won the ward.

"Well, he carried the 14th Ward, not by enough to overcome the other areas, but fortunately, the people in the 14th Ward did vote for him," Ald. Burke said.

City election results show Dan Burke received 2,562 votes compared with 2,417 for Ortiz — a margin of just 145 votes, or 3 percent of the ballots cast in the ward.

Ed Burke is the longest-serving alderman in Chicago history, and his political dynasty has survived many demographic changes over the years. His ward, which has moved west over the years, once was majority white but now is predominantly Latino.

Garcia and Ortiz capitalized on those changes last month by running an aggressive campaign that alleged Dan Burke was out of touch with his district. Ald. Burke was asked Monday if he was worried about winning re-election in the face of those same progressive voices.

He offered a one-word answer: "No."

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Building would be 2nd tallest

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In the first phase, their plans call for 163 condominiums at Tribune Tower, which would retain its familiar name. The first units would be occupied in early 2020.

Plans for the new tower, which could start construction in late 2019, call for a 200-room hotel, 439 rental apartments and 125 condominiums in its upper reaches.

The skyscraper would rise from what is now a surface parking lot behind Tribune Tower.

In contrast to the historic skyscraper's filigreed crown of flying buttresses and pinnacles, the top of the new one would consist of curving glass walls extending beyond the building's occupied floors. It would resemble the top of Batman's mask — an unintended likeness that Golub Executive Vice President Lee Golub acknowledged in an interview before Monday's meeting.

Asked why he didn't push for an additional 30 feet in height, which would have made the proposed skyscraper Chicago's tallest, Golub replied that height was a secondary priority to the ideal mix of units and floor heights.

"It just turned into what it is," Golub said.

"Why didn't we do it?" he added, addressing the prospect of being the tallest in town.

"We don't have that big of an ego."

As the saga of the unbuild Chicago Spire shows, it is easier to announce plans for a supertall skyscraper than to finance and build one. Complicating matters for Golub and CIM Group, other developers already have mega-towers underway or approved, most notably the 1,191-foot Vista Tower, a hotel and condominium high-rise under construction across the Chicago River from the Tribune site.

The bigger question, nearly a decade into the city's post-recession real estate boom, is whether the expansion will still have steam more than a year from now, when the new tower is scheduled to start construction.

Undeterred by the risks, Golub cited the project's unique location, expressing hope it would lure international buyers.

"We are on Michigan Avenue. We are in the center of everything here," he said.

Condos in both buildings would sell at prices at or near the top of the Chicago market — more than \$1,000 a square foot, Golub predicted. With condos in the new building and Tribune Tower expected to average 3,000 square feet and 2,700 square feet, respectively, many condominiums would fetch prices in excess of \$3 million.

In January, when the Tribune reported that plans for a supertall skyscraper next to Tribune Tower were in the works, Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, indicated a general open-



GOLUB & CO. AND CIM GROUP

Developers plan to convert Tribune Tower into condos and retail space, with some shops on the Pioneer Court plaza.

ness to the project's height but reserved the right to press for design changes and lower the number of parking spaces. At the time, the plans called for the new skyscraper to rise 1,388 feet, a foot shorter than Trump Tower. Since then, the plans grew, though not, the developers insisted, because of a desire to top the tower built by the current president.

About 400 people attended Monday night's community meeting at the Sheraton Grand Chicago hotel. In opening remarks, Reilly stressed that the developers' proposal is "aspirational" and could change. "This marks the very beginning of our public process," he said.

The conversion of Tribune Tower is expected to cost more than \$500 million, with the development of the new tower easily eclipsing that figure.

The new tower plans were shaped by Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill Architecture, whose portfolio includes a tower under construction in Saudi Arabia that will, if completed, eclipse Dubai's Burj Khalifa as the world's tallest building.

The designers of the Tribune Tower conversion are the Chicago firm of SCB, or Solomon Cordwell Buenz, which specializes in new condominium high-rises. Vinci Hamp Architects of Chicago are the historic preservation consultants.

As part of the conversion, most of the Indiana limestone facades of the landmark tower and three adjoining low-rise structures — the WGN Radio and WGN Television buildings, plus the original Tribune printing plant — would be preserved. But the central portion of the old printing plant, whose vast

floors now house the Tribune newsroom and other offices, would be demolished, making way for an elevated courtyard that would allow natural light to filter into the project's lower-floor condominiums.

The courtyard, outfitted with an indoor pool, would be built behind the iconic Chicago Tribune sign. The sign has become the subject of a legal battle between the developers — who argue that they have a contractual agreement to buy the sign for \$1 — and Tronc, the newspaper's owner, which contends the sign is protected intellectual property.

The still-unnamed new tower would rise from the northeast corner of the Tribune site, ensuring that it would not compromise the Ogden Slip view corridor, which guarantees that Tribune Tower remain visible from Lake Shore Drive. The topmost of its 96 occupied floors would house Chicago's highest residential units, topping those in the nearby Trump skyscraper.

The new tower's tapering profile is designed to reduce wind pressure that would cause it to sway, unsettling residents.

Its strong vertical lines seek to echo those in Tribune Tower, which was the winning entry in an international competition to design "the world's most beautiful and distinctive office building." The building opened in 1925 under the leadership of Tribune publisher Col. Robert R. McCormick.

Other highlights of the new plans include the following:

- The bottom floors of the existing Tribune Tower complex would be converted into 47,500 square feet of retail space lining

Michigan Avenue, Upper Illinois Street and the Pioneer Court pedestrian plaza, just north of the new Apple flagship store. The plaza's northern portion would be repaved and would include a timeline charting the history of the site.

- A four-story condominium addition would be built on top of the WGN Television Building, its metal and glass facade designed to complement the existing structure. McCormick's 24th floor office, a baronial lair with its own fireplace, wood-paneled walls and personalized ceiling decoration, would be turned into condo space. Developers are speaking with nonprofits about possibly taking parts of the office that would be dismantled.

- The Nathan Hale Courtyard, an outdoor space along Michigan Avenue that contains a statue of the Revolutionary War patriot, would be retained but reconfigured, with a new ramp to make it accessible. The courtyard would lead into new retail space, replacing a lobby that lacks landmark protection.

- It has yet to be determined how much access tourists and architecture buffs would have to the ornate, high-ceilinged Tribune Tower lobby, which has official landmark protection. Golub said a compromise will have to be reached regarding which hours, if any, the lobby would be open to visitors.

- The 25th-floor outdoor space beneath Tribune Tower's flying buttresses, once an observatory open to the public and now a private event space called The Crown, will become an outdoor amenity area for residents.

- The location of some of the roughly 150 fragments

of famous buildings and historic sites from around the world that are embedded in Tribune Tower's base could be shifted to accommodate the new ground-floor retail space.

- The new tower would house a five-star hotel and 10,700 square feet of retail space. Its base, which would be wider than the thin tower, would include 430 parking spaces topped by an outdoor deck.

Under existing zoning, the Tribune site allows for 1.6 million square feet of space. The two towers, old and new, would encompass 2 million square feet. To increase the density, the developers would pay about \$14 million into a city fund that seeks to encourage commercial development in struggling areas of the South and West sides, as well as \$12 million into the city's affordable housing fund.

Gill said the architects rejected the idea of replicating the setbacks and neo-Gothic architecture of Tribune Tower. "We tried it. We didn't like it. It was becoming a big version of Tribune Tower. It didn't seem appropriate," he said.

At the meeting, some residents said they approved of the design while others complained the new tower would block views from their apartments and predicted that much of the retail space would remain unfilled. Citing the empty storefronts at Trump Tower and other locations off Michigan Avenue, a resident said, "I would hate to see a lot of available and for-lease signs."

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Few cops bite on carrot to buy homes in violent neighborhoods

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Council easily last year, but not without skepticism from some aldermen about whether it would spur investment in areas that need it most.

The program was organized to promote homebuying by police, firefighters and paramedics in parts of Chicago's six most statistically violent police districts, which include portions of several neighborhoods beset by crime and disinvestment like South Lawndale and Englewood. The districts, though, also include less violent parts of the city, notably Chatham.

During a debate over the program last summer, South Side Ald. David Moore, 17th, said the city needed to spread out the incentives through different neighborhoods, lest the vast majority of the public safety officers use the \$30,000 to buy houses in middle-class areas.

"It's very important to me that we go back and try to designate certain percentages for certain areas for that encouragement," Moore said at the time. "If all 100 move into Chatham ... because if I'm a police officer, I'm picking Chatham over Englewood every day of the week."

And West Side Ald. Michael Scott Jr., 24th, also worried last year that police would just buy "on the better end of these districts," saying that "would be doing a disservice to this program."

Now both aldermen said they are troubled by the early results, but each suggested ways to fix the program.

Scott pointed out that the rules don't allow people who make more than about \$90,000 to get the loans. That disqualifies many cops who have been on the job for more than a few years.

"I know they're looking at enticing some of the

younger officers, but maybe we could look at raising those caps a little bit," Scott said.

And Moore said it might make sense to let Chicago public school teachers and other city workers qualify. Both said the home loan program deserves more time to take hold.

"If there were eight, nine, 10 officers who had gotten the loans and they were all moving to Chatham I would be more frustrated," Moore said. "But just two, I really want to see the city do more outreach and see if we can get people moving into some of these other neighborhoods in the coming months."

Anthony Simpkins, the deputy commissioner for housing in the city's Department of Planning and Development, said the administration will keep trying to get the proposal on police and fire recruits' radar as they come out of the academy. And he ascribed the

slow start in part to the timing of the launch.

"It's been operating for six months starting last October, which isn't exactly the time of year when people are looking to buy homes," Simpkins said. "We're just getting into the spring homebuying season, so that could help it pick up."

As more officers get involved, Simpkins predicted people with roots in different neighborhoods will look to use the money to buy homes in more areas.

This isn't the first time City Hall has tried to nudge police officers into living in rougher parts of the city.

Daley launched his own small-scale police homebuying program in 1995, setting aside \$100,000 and offering cops \$5,000 forgivable home loans if they moved into parts of the city where at least half of the residents made no more than 60 percent of the area median income.

Starting in the mid-2000s, police officers and firefighters qualified for \$3,000 loans for moving into certain neighborhoods and an additional \$7,500 if they bought residences in designated areas Daley was trying to redevelop after tearing down Chicago Housing Authority buildings.

In all, 550 public safety officers availed themselves of \$2.4 million in forgivable loans through the Daley-era programs between 1995 and 2010, according to Department of Planning and Development spokesman Peter Strazabosco. He did not provide geographic information on where they bought their houses.

Like other city workers, Chicago police and firefighters are required to live in the city limits, and they have long clustered in a handful of neighborhoods. Chatham has for decades been a South Side focal point for African-American

city employees, and home to lots of cops. Beverly, Garfield Ridge, Bridgeport, Jefferson Park, Portage Park and Edison Park are also among the neighborhoods with more than their fair share of municipal workers.

Police, firefighters and teachers unions in particular have long chafed at the residency restrictions and periodically called for them to be lifted. But Daley was adamant about the role they play as community anchors around the city, saying Chicago could lose its middle class if they were allowed to decamp to the suburbs.

Emanuel himself was noncommittal about the residency rules during his 2011 mayoral run as he tried to avoid needlessly triggering the unions. But shortly after he won, he proclaimed the requirement too important to the fabric of Chicago neighborhoods to lift it.

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NATION & WORLD

Inspectors blocked in Syrian town

Russia, Syria deny access to site of suspected attack as report says new strikes intercepted

BY TRACY WILKINSON
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WASHINGTON — International inspectors sent to collect air, water and ground samples from the site of a suspected poison gas attack in Syria last week were blocked Monday by Russian and Syrian forces for security reasons, the watchdog agency's director said.

Early Tuesday, meanwhile, Syrian state-run television said Syria's air defenses confronted a new "aggression," shooting down missiles over the country's center. The report came days after the U.S., Britain and France conducted airstrikes targeting alleged chemical weapons facilities.

It did not elaborate or say who carried out the airstrikes. A Pentagon spokeswoman said there was no U.S. military activity in the area. The Syrian Central Media said the missiles targeted the Shayrat air base in Homs.

Regarding the inspectors, the delay in obtaining independent confirmation of suspected chemical weapons use came as the White House postponed plans to add sanctions on Russia for what the Trump administration said was its support of Syrian President Bashar Assad's poison gas program.

Nikki Haley, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, had said Sunday that new sanctions would be announced Monday, but the White House pulled back. "We are considering additional sanctions on Russia, and a decision will be made in the near future," White House press secretary



A man rides Monday past destruction in Douma, site of a suspected poison gas attack.

HASSAN AMMAR/AP

Sarah Huckabee Sanders told reporters.

She did not say if Haley had misspoken or if President Donald Trump had changed his mind to avoid worsening relations with Moscow.

The Trump administration has been taking an increasingly tough line on Russia even as the president has been reluctant to criticize Russian President Vladimir Putin for his government's meddling in the 2016 election.

The confusion emerged as nine inspectors from the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons waited in Damascus for permission to visit Douma, a suburb east of the Syrian capital that was attacked on

April 7. U.S. officials say Assad's forces killed more than 40 people, including children, with chlorine gas and possibly sarin, a banned nerve agent. But U.S. intelligence has been unable to collect ironclad evidence of which chemical agents were used.

U.S. and British officials have accused Russian units in Douma of trying to hide or tamper with evidence of the chemical attack, a claim Moscow denies.

Stephane Dujarric, spokesman for United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, said in New York that the OPCW team had all "necessary clearances" to collect samples in Douma.

But Ahmet Uzumcu, di-

rector general of the OPCW, which is based in The Hague, said in a report to member states that Syrian and Russian officials had contended "there were still pending security issues to be worked out before any deployment could take place." Uzumcu expressed hope the inspectors could visit Douma "as soon as possible."

U.S., French and British forces fired more than 100 missiles at three targets in Syria early Saturday in retaliation for the Douma attack.

The three facilities developed, produced or stored chlorine or sarin, Pentagon officials said, and all appeared heavily damaged.

Syria has denied stockpil-

ing or using chemical weapons, which are illegal under international law. Russia, which backs Assad, also has denied that a chemical attack occurred.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov on Monday repeated his government's assertions that no chemical attack took place and said photographs and videos that showed people choking to death and other symptoms of chemical poisoning were "staged."

Speaking to the BBC, Lavrov angrily condemned Washington's attempts to blame and punish Russia.

Despite the unified support of the airstrikes presented by the international allies, British and French leaders faced skepticism at

home from lawmakers.

Prime Minister Theresa May told restive lawmakers in London on Monday that the military mission against Syria was right both legally and morally.

The British government is not legally bound to seek Parliament's approval for military strikes, although it is customary to do so, and many lawmakers expressed anger that they were not consulted.

French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe also justified the military action in a speech Monday to France's lower house of parliament.

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Watchdog: Agency broke law on EPA chief's privacy booth

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WASHINGTON — An internal government watchdog says the Environmental Protection Agency violated federal spending laws when it purchased a \$43,000 soundproof privacy booth for Administrator Scott Pruitt to make private phone calls in his office.

The Government Accountability Office issued its findings Monday in a letter to Senate Democrats who had requested a review of Pruitt's spending.

GAO General Counsel Thomas Armstrong determined that EPA's purchase of the booth violated federal law prohibiting agencies from spending more than \$5,000 for redecorating, furnishings or other improvements to the offices of presidential appointees without informing Congress. Because EPA used federal money in a manner specifically prohibited by law, Armstrong said

the agency also violated the Antideficiency Act, and is legally obligated to report that violation to Congress.

EPA spokeswoman Liz Bowman said the agency is "addressing GAO's concern, with regard to congressional notification about this expense, and will be sending Congress the necessary information this week."

EPA said previously that Pruitt needed the privacy booth to make secure phone calls with President Donald Trump and other senior administration officials without fear of eavesdropping. It is among several unusual security precautions taken by Pruitt that are now under scrutiny, like his use frequent use of first-class flights to avoid unpleasant interactions with other travelers.

The Associated Press first reported in December that EPA also spent about \$9,000 for an outside contractor to sweep Pruitt's office for secret listening devices and installed bio-

metric locks.

Democratic Sen. Tom Udall of New Mexico, who requested the GAO review, said the finding was yet another example of the embattled EPA administrator flouting federal spending rules.

"An illegal privacy booth to conduct secret discussions with his polluter friends does nothing to help our health or environment," Udall said Monday. "Scott Pruitt is behaving like swamp emperor rather than EPA administrator — he has shown a shocking lack of regard for public health and safety, ethics and fairness. He has been a disaster, and it's past time for him to go."

Pruitt and those around him are under multiple investigations launched by government watchdogs and congressional committees. EPA's inspector general has at least five ongoing Pruitt-related probes, while the House oversight panel on Friday demanded interviews with five of the EPA



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EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt is under fire for his agency's spending \$43,000 for a privacy booth in his office.

administrator's closest aides.

Among the issues being probed by EPA's inspector general is whether Pruitt's office properly used authority granted to the EPA

under that authority are two young aides to Pruitt he brought with him to EPA from Oklahoma, where he previously served as state attorney general.

EPA senior legal counsel Sarah Greenwalt, 30, got two raises totaling more than \$66,000, bringing her salary to \$164,200 a year. Scheduling director Millan Hupp, 26, saw her salary jump to \$114,590, with raises totaling more than \$48,000.

In a combative Fox News interview on April 4, Pruitt insisted he didn't approve the big raises and didn't know who did.

In an unusual management alert issued Monday, EPA Inspector General Arthur Elkins said his staff had reviewed personnel documents for six employees who were hired or had received raises under the Safe Drinking Water Act since Pruitt came to the agency last year.

The inspector general said some hiring documents were signed by Pruitt himself, while chief of staff Ryan Jackson signed off on forms approving big raises, adding the words "for Scott Pruitt" to his signature.

GOP campaigns boost Trump businesses

BY SHAHIEN NASIRIPOUR
Bloomberg News

NEW YORK — Republican political campaigns increased their spending at President Donald Trump's businesses by nearly 15 percent this year, according to federal figures compiled by the watchdog group Public Citizen.

The Republican National Committee and various GOP political action committees spent close to \$388,000 disclosed in the

three-month period ending in March at Trump properties in South Florida, Manhattan, Chicago and around Washington, D.C., Federal Election Commission filings show. That compares to about \$339,000 during the same period last year, a 14.5 percent jump.

The spending is part of more than \$15 million that has flowed to the Trump Organization and connected entities since 2015 from political donors and the federal government, according to Public Citizen.

Some of the money has been used to purchase food and beverages from Trump's winery, flights aboard Trump's airplanes and lodging in Trump's hotels. The figures represent revenue, not net income. "It's very possible that I could be the first presidential candidate to run and make money on it," Trump told Fortune in 2000.

Amanda Miller, a spokeswoman for the Trump Organization, didn't immediately respond to requests for comment.

Trump handed control of his businesses to his long-time lieutenants, including his sons, but he still owns them. Ethics experts have called on Trump to either sell off his holdings or place them in a blind trust to avoid the possibility that his administration could be helping his business interests turn a profit.

About 90 percent of the money that has come in since 2015 was spent by Trump's political campaign committees, according to Public Citizen's figures.



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GOP campaigns and PACs spent close to \$388,000 at the president's properties in the first three months of 2018.

Rioting leaves at least 7 dead, 17 hurt at S. Carolina prison

BY AMY B WANG AND MARK BERMAN
The Washington Post

Nearly eight hours of rioting at a maximum-security South Carolina prison left at least seven inmates dead and 17 others injured, authorities said.

State officials defended their response to the prison brawl — one of the deadliest in the country's recent history — amid allegations that officers did little to curb the violence early on and did not render aid as quickly as they could have.

Fighting began around 7:15 p.m. Sunday at one of the housing units at Lee Correctional Institution, as detention officers were conducting a nightly check-in, state corrections director Bryan Stirling said at a news

conference Monday.

Around 8:30 p.m., two more fights erupted at two other housing units at Lee Correctional as well, he said.

The fighting triggered a standard response in which guards at each of the dorms left the housing units and called for backup, Stirling said.

"They're outnumbered, so they're trained to back out of that dorm and call for support," Stirling said. "And that's what we believe they did last night because support arrived immediately."

According to Stirling, backup teams from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division entered the first housing unit at 11:30 p.m. Sunday to "take that dorm back."

They did the same for the

second and third dorms at 12:30 a.m. and 2 a.m. Monday, respectively, he said.

The prison was secured at 2:55 a.m. Monday, and no officers or staff members were harmed, officials said.

SLED spokesman Thom Berry said an investigation was underway "to determine what caused the disturbance."

Stirling said they believed that word of the fight spread from the first dorm to the others through contraband cellphones.

"This was all about territory. This was about contraband. This was about cellphones," Stirling said. "These folks are fighting over real money and real territory when they are incarcerated."

Late Monday morning, the corrections department

identified the seven dead inmates as Raymond Angelo Scott, Michael Milledge, Damonte Marquez Rivera, Eddie Casey Jay Gaskins, Joshua Svin Jenkins, Corey Scott and Cornelius Quantral McClary.

The Lee County coroner told The Associated Press that most of the dead appeared to have been killed by stabbing or slashing.

Emergency crews from at least a half-dozen agencies responded to the "mass casualty incident," according to Lee County Fire and Rescue.

Lee Correctional Institution is one of South Carolina's highest-security prisons, which means the inmates are generally tightly monitored and their movements inside the facility are

limited.

Of South Carolina's nine all-male, maximum-security prisons, Lee Correctional — in Bishopville, about 60 miles northeast of Columbia — is the largest.

The prison houses about 1,600 inmates, the majority of them in general housing rather than more restricted housing, according to state records.

Violence at Lee Correctional is not uncommon. During the past year, at least three inmates were killed in separate incidents, while last month, inmates held an officer hostage for about 90 minutes before releasing him, according to the State newspaper.

An investigation by the State's John Monk found that the number of inmates killed across the state's pris-

ons had quadrupled from three inmates in 2015 to 12 inmates in 2017.

Stirling told Monk that the trend can be partly attributed to an increase in inmates obtaining cellphones, chronic understaffing, gang rivalries and a higher ratio of violent prisoners to nonviolent ones.

On Monday, Gov. Henry McMaster told the AP that he had "complete confidence" in Stirling as the head of the Department of Corrections. At a news conference, he seemed to characterize the riot as an unfortunate but unsurprising incident because inmates "take their violent ways with them" when incarcerated.

More than 20,400 inmates were held in South Carolina facilities last year.



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This photo of a car striking protesters in Virginia won a Pulitzer Prize for photography.

N.Y. Times, New Yorker share Pulitzer for Weinstein scandal

BY JENNIFER PELTZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Times and The New Yorker won the Pulitzer Prize for public service Monday for breaking the Harvey Weinstein scandal with reporting that galvanized the #MeToo movement and set off a worldwide reckoning over sexual misconduct.

The Times and The Washington Post took the award in the national reporting category for their coverage of Russian meddling in the 2016 U.S. presidential election and contacts between President Donald Trump's campaign and Russian officials.

The Press Democrat of Santa Rosa, Calif., received the breaking news reporting award for coverage of the wildfires in California

wine country.

The Washington Post also won the investigative reporting prize for revealing decades-old allegations of sexual misconduct against Senate candidate Roy Moore of Alabama.

One of the biggest surprises of the day came in the non-journalism categories when rap star Kendrick Lamar was awarded the Pulitzer for music, becoming the first non-classical or non-jazz artist to win the prize.

The Arizona Republic and USA Today Network won the explanatory reporting prize for a multifaceted look at the challenges and consequences of building the Mexican border wall. The local reporting award went to The Cincinnati Enquirer for a narrative and video on the heroin epidemic in the area.

Clare Baldwin, Andrew R.C. Marshall and Manuel Mogato of Reuters won the international reporting award for their coverage of Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte's deadly crackdown on drugs, and the news agency's photographers received the feature photography prize.

The breaking news photography award went to Ryan Kelly of The Daily Progress of Charlottesville, Va., who captured the moment a car plowed into counter-protesters demonstrating against a white nationalist rally.

Rachel Kaadzi Ghansah, a freelance writer for GQ magazine, took the feature writing award for a profile of mass killer Dylann Roof.

The commentary award went to John Archibald of Alabama Media Group. Art critic Jerry Saltz of New

Arts awards

Fiction: "Less," by Andrew Sean Greer

Drama: "Cost of Living," by Martyna Majok

History: "The Gulf: The Making of an American Sea," by Jack E. Davis
Biography or autobiography: "Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder," by Caroline Fraser

Poetry: "Half-light: Collected Poems 1965-2016," by Frank Bidart

General nonfiction: "Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America," by James Forman Jr.

Music: "DAMN.," by Kendrick Lamar

York magazine won the criticism award.

Andie Dominick of The Des Moines Register won the editorial writing prize.

Freelance writer Jake Halpern and freelance cartoonist Michael Sloan were awarded the editorial cartooning prize.

Trump lawyer's mystery client: Fox News star

Cohen, from Page 1

fundraiser, and a third whom he declined to name.

Ryan said the mystery client had asked to keep his name out of the case, and to file a legal appeal if necessary to keep his identity secret. The lawyer at one point offered to reveal the name in a sealed envelope or secret filing to the court, but Wood ordered the disclosure made in open court.

"I rule it must be disclosed now," she said.

"The client's name is Sean Hannity," Ryan said.

That prompted a loud gasp in the crowded courtroom given Hannity's close ties to Trump — and because he had not disclosed his association with Cohen in multiple on-air commentaries about the case, even when Cohen appeared as his guest.

The lawyers did not say what legal work Cohen had performed for Hannity.

Hannity later released a statement saying Cohen had "never represented me in any matter," although they "occasionally had brief discussions" on legal questions.

"I assumed those conversations were confidential, but to be absolutely clear they never involved any matter between me and a third party," he said. Hannity said Cohen never sent him a bill for legal services and he never paid Cohen.

That left unclear why Cohen's lawyers had said in a written submission to the court that he was Cohen's client and that their communications should be considered covered by attorney-client privilege.

Hannity, one of Trump's fiercest defenders, has harshly criticized the Justice Department on his Fox News show for sending FBI agents to seize evidence from Cohen's New York apartment, hotel room, office and safety deposit box on April 9.

A federal magistrate had approved the search warrants as part of a months-long criminal investigation into whether Cohen violated banking and campaign finance laws. The case stemmed from a referral from the special counsel, Robert Mueller, but is under the public integrity section of the office of the U.S. attorney for Southern District of New York.

Cohen has arranged two hush-money payments to women who claimed they had sexual affairs with Trump. He gave \$130,000 to Stormy Daniels, a porn actress, and she attended the court hearing Monday, listening to the arguments without expression.

"Depending on what is contained within those documents, I think there is significant danger to the president," her lawyer, Michael Avenatti, told reporters after the hearing.

For Broidy, Cohen helped broker a \$1.6-million payment to a former



CRAIG RUTLE/AP

Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump's attorney, leaves federal court in New York on Monday.

Playboy model with whom he had a sexual relationship. The woman became pregnant and subsequently had an abortion, Broidy said in a statement last week after the Wall Street Journal first reported Cohen's role.

The bulk of the hearing focused on efforts by lawyers for Trump and Cohen to stop federal prosecutors from sifting through a trove of tax records, business documents, emails and other material that FBI agents seized in the raids last week. They argued that the evidence should be protected by attorney-client privilege.

"We have a situation unprecedented in the history of the U.S.," Ryan said.

But prosecutors said Trump has no more rights under the law than anyone else if his lawyer committed a crime.

"No one has given any reason why President Trump's assertion of privilege is different from that of any other citizen of the U.S.," said Thomas McKay, an assistant U.S. attorney.

In court filings, the government has argued that the evidence taken from Cohen can be reviewed by a walled-off "taint team" of prosecutors who can judge which documents are relevant.

Trump's lawyers responded that it was "unreasonable" to expect federal prosecutors to protect the president's rights — thus disputing the Justice Department's position.

"In the highly politicized, even fevered, atmosphere that envelops this matter, it is simply unreasonable to expect that a team of prosecutors, even if not directly involved in the investigation of Mr. Cohen, could perform a privilege review in the manner necessary to safeguard the important interests of the president, as the holder of the privilege," Trump's attorney, Joanna C. Hendon, wrote in a filing.

Hendon argued that Trump's team should have the right to first review the seized material to delete anything they believe is privileged material involving the president.

McKay told the judge that such a process would lead to long skirmishes over individual documents and lengthy delays.

Wood seemed sympathetic to the prosecution view, saying she had faith in the U.S. attorney's office in Manhattan.

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Cosby accuser denies framing him, knowing witness

BY MICHAEL R. SISAK
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NORRISTOWN, Pa. — Bill Cosby's chief accuser at his sexual-assault trial on Monday denied framing him and said she doesn't know a key witness who plans to testify that she spoke of leveling false accusations against a celebrity.

Andrea Constand told jurors she doesn't "recall ever having a conversation with"

Marguerite Jackson. Both women worked at Temple University around the time Constand says Cosby drugged and molested her at the comedian's suburban Philadelphia home in 2004.

The defense plans to call Jackson as a witness and says she will testify that before Constand lodged her allegations against Cosby in 2005, Constand had mused to her about setting up a "high-profile person" and

filing suit. Jackson has said that she and Constand worked closely together, had been friends and had shared hotel rooms several times.

A judge blocked Jackson from testifying at last year's trial, which ended in a hung jury, after Constand took the stand and denied knowing her. At the time, Judge Steven O'Neill ruled Jackson's testimony would be hearsay. Since then, prosecutors have told Cosby's lawyers that Constand had modified her statement to acknowledge she "recalls a Margo."

The judge has ruled that Jackson can take the stand at the retrial but indicated he could revisit the issue after Constand was finished testifying.

Jackson's availability as a witness for Cosby could be crucial to a defense plan to attack Constand's credibility and get jurors to believe she set Cosby up.

Cosby lawyer Tom Mesereau, who has called Constand a "con artist" who framed Cosby and then collected a \$3.4 million settlement, asked her about Jackson during cross-examination on Monday. She again denied knowing her.



DOMINICK REUTER/GETTY

Bill Cosby, center, arrives Monday for his retrial on sexual assault charges.

The defense lawyer then asked, "Did you ever fabricate a scheme to falsely accuse him for money?"

"No, sir," Constand replied.

Constand, 45, left the witness stand Monday after testifying for seven hours over two days.

She told jurors last week that Cosby knocked her out with pills and then sexually assaulted her. Cosby, 80, says Constand consented to a sexual encounter.

If convicted, Cosby could get up to 10 years in prison on each of three charges.

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Staff and news services

U.S. to streamline student debt forgiveness for disabled vets

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration announced plans Monday to make it easier for permanently disabled military veterans to have their federal student debt wiped away.

Anyone with a severe disability is eligible by law to have the government discharge their federal student loans, but the benefit has not been widely publicized. Working with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. De-

partment of Education will begin identifying eligible veterans who will receive an application for loan forgiveness.

The program builds on an effort started in 2016 to help discharge the debts of severely disabled Americans.

That process, however, failed to capture permanently disabled veterans who receive benefits through Veterans Affairs, rather than the Social Security Administration.

Watchdog: Zinke charter flight approved without full details

WASHINGTON — A \$12,000 charter flight by Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke was reviewed and approved by department ethics officials without complete information, because staff who helped schedule the trip did not provide sufficient details, an internal watchdog said Monday.

A report by Interior's inspector general said Zinke's use of a chartered flight after he spoke to a

NHL team in Las Vegas "might have been avoided" if Interior employees had worked with the team to accommodate his schedule.

The report said Zinke never mentioned the Interior Department in the June 2017 speech to the Las Vegas Golden Knights. An ethics official said the speech should have been tied to the department's mission to qualify as an official event.

U.S., Britain say Russia targets internet hardware for spying

Washington and London on Monday jointly accused the Russian government of maliciously targeting global internet equipment for political and economic espionage.

The two governments said the Russian operations, which allegedly involve planting malware on internet routers and other equipment, could also lay the foundation for future offensive cyberattacks.

A joint statement said

the main targets include "government and private-sector organizations," as well as providers of "critical infrastructure" and internet service providers.

Routers direct data traffic across the internet.

The U.S. Computer Emergency Response Team urged companies and public sector organizations and even people who use routers in home offices to harden poorly-secured devices.



DIVYAKANT SOLANKI/EPA

Demonstrators near Mumbai, India, demand justice Monday after the sexual assaults of two girls — including one who was slain in Jammu and Kashmir state.

Inaction on 2 rape cases fuels backlash against India's leader

In a crime that shocked India, an 8-year-old Muslim girl in Jammu and Kashmir was kidnapped in January, drugged, held for several days in Kathua while she was raped multiple times and then murdered, local police said.

In Uttar Pradesh, a state lawmaker from Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party stands accused in a June 2017 rape case in Unnao. No action was taken against the politician until the girl threatened to set herself on fire earlier this month. Her father died soon after from injuries he sustained while in police custody.

The failure of India's ruling party to act on growing outrage over the two

brutal rapes risks eroding Prime Minister Narendra Modi's support ahead of state and national elections.

On Monday, eight Hindu men accused in the assault in Jammu and Kashmir pleaded not guilty in their first court appearance. Police say the defendants planned the child's kidnapping for over a month as part of a plan to scare her Muslim nomadic tribe away from the area.

The crimes have drawn comparisons to the 2012 gang rape and murder of a young woman on a New Delhi bus that forced a painful national discussion on violence against women and girls.

Urban voters, especially

women — a voter base that stood by Modi in 2014 and largely backed his policies on demonetization and the Goods and Service Tax — have been the largest group protesting the rapes on the streets and social media.

The involvement of men linked to his party in both cases risks eroding the support he'd courted by pushing for election handouts like cooking gas that frees women from unhealthy wood fires and outlawing so-called instant divorce in Muslim communities.

Modi, who spoke out on Friday after a week of intense media coverage, was criticized for not immediately addressing the issue.

U.S.: Calif. rejects proposed Guard border duties

SAN DIEGO — The Trump administration said Monday that California Gov. Jerry Brown rejected terms of the National Guard's initial deployment to the Mexican border, but a state official said nothing was decided.

"The governor determined that what we asked

for is unsupportable, but we will have other iterations," said Ronald Vitiello, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's acting deputy commissioner.

Brown elicited rare and effusive praise from President Donald Trump last week.

But the Democratic gov-

ernor conditioned his commitment on his state's troops having nothing to do with immigration enforcement, even in a supporting role.

Brown's announcement last week did not address what specific jobs the California Guard would and would not do.

Grandchild: Barbara Bush 'a fighter,' in good spirits

HOUSTON — Former first lady Barbara Bush, who was reported in "failing health" over the weekend, is in "great spirits," and the family is grateful for "everybody's prayers and thoughts," her granddaughter said Monday.

Bush family spokesman Jim McGrath said Monday that she suffered in recent years from congestive heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. She also has been treated for decades for Graves' disease, a thyroid condition.

Jenna Bush Hager, an anchor on NBC's "Today" show, told the program Monday morning that Bush is resting comfortably with family.

"She's a fighter. She's an enforcer," Hager said, using the family's nickname for Bush. "We're grateful for her, for everybody's prayers and thoughts, and just know the world is better because she is in it."

A legislative session that will see a historic political transition in Cuba is going to start Wednesday, one day earlier than expected. The government said Monday it moved up the meeting of the National Assembly in which President Raul Castro will hand over the office to Vice President Miguel Diaz-Canel, 57.

Sen. John McCain's office says he's had intestinal surgery needed to stem an infection and is in stable condition at a Phoenix hospital. The Arizona Republican has been undergoing physical therapy related to brain cancer treatment since December. Staff members say the surgery was related to diverticulitis.

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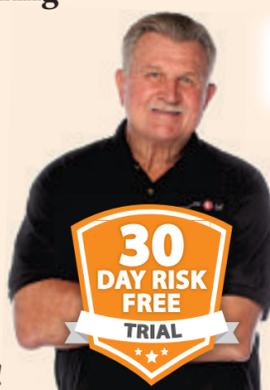


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EDITORIALS

Blagojevich, judges and the next corrupt Illinois pols

On Monday, justices of the U.S. Supreme Court flicked off the latest appeal from Rod Blagojevich much as they flick lint from black robes. No need to explain why the elaborate arguments from his lawyers went ker-flop. No cause to reconsider the litany of felony convictions, the 14-year sentence, nothing. Next case?

For judges back in Illinois, of course, the next case is never far away. Corrupt politicians have made sport of cheating this state's 12 million citizens, and the season never ends.

Four of Illinois' last 10 governors have wound up in federal prisons. With the Supreme Court serially unmoved by Blagojevich's appeals, the unknown now is whether judges here always will remember the example of U.S. District Judge James Zagel when they sentence the next crooked pols, and the next. There's always a cohort of deniers betting that what happened to Blagojevich won't happen to them.

This state's politicians, and the judges who'll likely see some of them in court, never should forget the political corruption tutorial Zagel delivered in December 2011. He first spoke in generalities about the need for tougher penalties to discourage corruption here. Then he handed 14 years to a man whose privileged life had taken him from Northwestern University to Pepperdine Law, to a job as a Cook County prosecutor, to the Illinois General Assembly, to the United States Congress, to the governorship of Illinois. That man today is imprisoned in Colorado, scheduled for release in 2024.

Zagel explained why Blagojevich's crimes were so destructive, why corruption is a more serious crime than judges in Illinois had previously treated it. He essentially told other judges that prosecutors and courageous jurors can do only so much, that courts must stiffen corruption penalties. The harm in these cases, Zagel said, isn't measured in the value of money or property. "The harm is the erosion of public trust in government." When a governor goes bad, he damages a system that



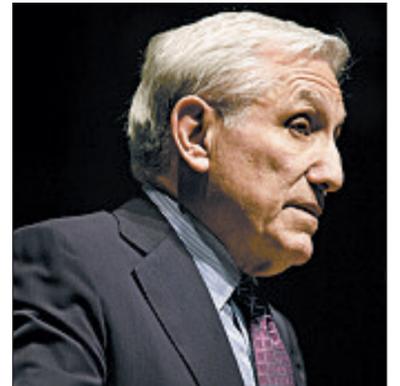
TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2010

Then-Gov. Rod Blagojevich said the government was criminalizing political horse-trading.

relies on the willing participation of its citizens. "You," Zagel said, looking at Blagojevich, "did that damage."

More than six years later, Zagel's most important lesson for the political class of Illinois stands unrefuted: If citizens place their trust in you, then you can ruin your life and victimize your loved ones just as this criminal freely chose to do to his. That warning is our focus today, as it was on the day of sentencing: Corruption doesn't just happen; people who may have fine attributes, impressive resumes and substantial accomplishments make it happen. Exem-

plary fathers and mothers, career professionals, officials who have done many good things for the people they serve — these otherwise upstanding folks, not just thieving mopes, drive the Illinois culture of political sleaze. Often, Zagel said, these perps may think their many good deeds more than offset their crimes. Not so. Zagel acknowledged that, yes, as governor Blagojevich had acted for the good of others: "Every governor, even our worst, helps someone. ... Very few criminals are all bad. ... I am more concerned with the occasions when you wanted to use your powers to do things that were only good for yourself?"



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2012

U.S. District Judge James Zagel took a stand against "the erosion of public trust."

None of us ever will know how many exemplary people were cheated out of careers in government, or how many employers lost chances at state contracts because, during the Blagojevich years, the fix was in. His crowning betrayal: He tried to sell a U.S. Senate seat that belonged to the people of Illinois.

In writing about Blagojevich, we've acknowledged that we aren't uninvolved parties. U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald's sentencing memorandum to Judge Zagel noted that Blagojevich's offenses included "demanding the firing of the Chicago Tribune Editorial Board members in exchange for assistance to the Tribune Company for financing in relation to the sale of Wrigley Field."

Lawyers for Blagojevich and other defendants can argue ad infinitum about when political conduct becomes criminal conduct. But on Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court again made clear that public service doesn't mean self-service.

We hope all judges remember this when they sentence corrupt public servants. Just as we hope Illinois pols remember the fate of a man much like themselves. He used to be Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

Illinois should ratify the Equal Rights Amendment

In June 1982, the Illinois General Assembly had the chance to vote for the federal Equal Rights Amendment as a deadline for ratification loomed. It chose not to. On Wednesday, nearly 36 years later, the state Senate voted 43-12 to approve it. It's now up to the House to do its part in bringing about a valuable change that is long overdue.

The amendment states a simple proposition that is as pertinent today as it was then: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex." Congress passed it and sent it to the states in 1972 for their approval within seven years.

By 1977, 35 states had ratified the ERA, leaving just three to complete the process. But a "STOP ERA" campaign led by Illi-

nois' own Phyllis Schlafly managed to bring the momentum to a halt. Congress extended the deadline to June 30, 1982, but to no avail. Time ran out.

Or did it? In recent years, the ERA has been revived by advocates who argue that the deadline was invalid — meaning the amendment could still be adopted if three states decided to ratify. Last year, Nevada became the 36th state to do so, leaving two to go. Illinois has the chance to put it nearly over the top.

Since 1972, the Supreme Court has found numerous laws that discriminated against women to be unconstitutional. In a 1996 decision requiring Virginia Military Institute to admit females, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote, "Parties who seek to defend gender-based government action must

demonstrate an exceedingly persuasive justification for that action. Neither federal nor state government acts compatibly with equal protection when a law or official policy denies to women, simply because they are women, full citizenship stature."

Opponents once warned that the ERA would lead to the legalization of same-sex marriage and women in combat. Both have come about without the ERA. Abortion rights, which they feared the amendment would confirm in the wake of the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision, have been repeatedly upheld by the court.

So what difference would the amendment make at this stage? Maybe not much in tangible terms. But it would have immense symbolic weight, giving the highest affirmation to the principle that dis-

crimination against women is wrong.

Getting that 38th state, however, would not be the end of the battle. The courts would have to decide whether the deadlines Congress set are valid. They would also have to rule on whether states have the right to rescind their ratification — as five of the current count of 36 have voted to do. If the answer to either question is yes, the effort to adopt the ERA would have to start all over. But the supporters make a plausible case that the answer to both is no.

It's worth finding out. Over the past generation, women have made huge strides in a host of spheres, helped by changes in the law. But in the era of #MeToo, it's clear that full equality, in every sense of the word, has yet to be achieved. Enshrining the ERA in the Constitution would hasten that day.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The prohibition on the use of chemical weapons has stood for decades. It formed part of the framework of the international order, the idea that even war could be subject to rules, norms and laws and that some weapons were simply too deadly to be used. Today, that prohibition has been effectively overturned. In the long term, that might be one of the worst legacies of the Syrian war.

After the attack in Ghouta, a photograph of a Syrian doctor in a hospital in the city was widely shared on social media. He was holding up a sign that said: "Assad sees no red lines, only green lights." The light may have changed briefly to amber but the message is the same: Proceed, but with caution.

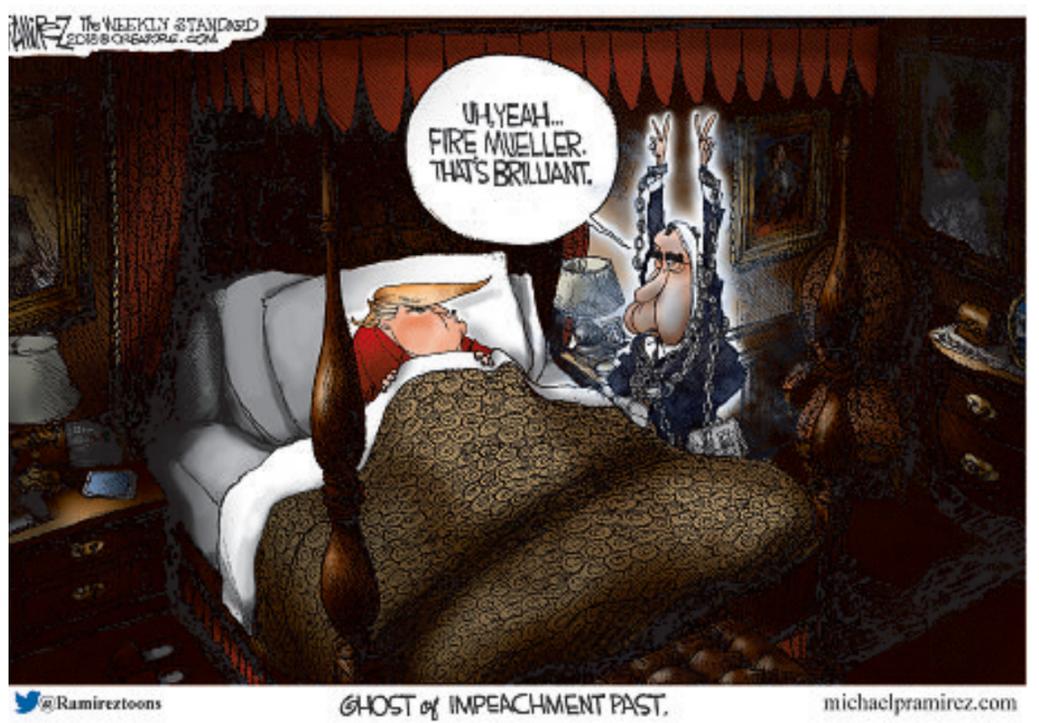
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Mr. (Mark) Zuckerberg ably swatted down the casual slur that his company "sells" consumer data. It doesn't. It keeps control of user data and leverages it to help advertisers target potential customers. Facebook never asks for my credit card number, though plenty of websites do, and plenty have suffered data breaches of real consequence that make the Facebook "breach" look even more overblown. Facebook users don't post their bank-account numbers. If they mention their incomes, it's probably a lie. The result, if any, of the alleged Facebook breach was indistinguishable from the daily routine: Facebook users saw ads.

If you are worried about somebody turning your deepest secrets into advertising, that's not Facebook — it's the search engine Google. Mr. Zuckerberg conceded that probably all 2 billion users have had their data "scraped" from the site. No kidding. Google is the biggest scraper.

Holman W. Jenkins Jr., *The Wall Street Journal*

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HAPPY FILING DAY

Taxpayers, Tuesday is all about you. Either you've filed your tax returns and you're grumpy, or you're racing to the mailbox to beat the midnight deadline. Here's one of our favorite cartoons by the late Pulitzer Prize-winning Tribune cartoonist Jeff MacNelly. It first appeared in 1976.

Form **1040** US Department of the Treasury - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
Individual Income Tax Return

FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31 OR WHENEVER YOU GET AROUND TO IT

Name: **JEFF MACNELLY** Last Name: **MACNELLY** Second-to-Last Initial: **MACNELLY** SEARCH? YES NO CUFFS NO CUFFS

Present Address of Addressee (must be filled out by Addressor or legal Guardian of Aforementioned (Unless greater than Line B above))

City, Town, Post Office, STATE (NO ZIP)

IS YOUR ADDRESS GREATER THAN LINE 41? NO YES OCCUPATION: YOURS SPOUSE

IF YES, WHY?

REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE: A. HOW MANY TALKING CHICKENS DO YOU OWN? 0. B. NAMES C. DO ANY OF THEM PLAY THE OBOE? YES NO D. DO YOU LIVE WITHIN 2 MILES OF A DECENT PIZZA PLACE? YES NO EXTRA CHEESE? E. Have you Rotated your Tires Lately? YES NO F. IF NO, FILE IRS Tire Rotation Schedule L. YES NO

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Exemptions: 41 a REGULAR? yourself? Spouse b Names of Dependent children who lived with you: Why? c Just First names, Dummy. d Do you weigh more than last year's tax form? e Number of Parakeets subtracted from Gross Rotated Income (PLUS LINE 27 - UNLESS GREATER THAN TWELVE MILES) f How many inches in a liter? 7 a Total Confusion (add lines 6e and f, g; fold in eggs, beat until firm).

8 Presidential Election Campaign Fund: DO YOU WISH TO DESIGNATE \$1 OF YOUR TAXES TO THIS WORTHY CAUSE? YES NO ISN'T THIS A DUMB LAW? YES NO NOTE: IF YOU CHECKED YES WE WILL COME AND STRIP ALL YOUR HUBCAPS

9 Wages, Salaries, Tips, Extortion ATTACH W-2 FORMS TO YOUR FOREHEAD WITH HEAVY DUTY STAPLE GUN 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. What about all that cash you stashed in that jar under the garage? 14. SUBTRACT 13 FROM 14 15. (THE ANSWER TO 14 IS... 1) Think of a number between 1 and 10

• HOW WOULD YOU LIKE A GOOD SOCK IN THE FACE, FELLA? YES NO
• IF LINE 15 IS BIGGER THAN A BREADBOX OR MORE, GO TO LINE 43 TO FIGURE TAX TAX RATE SCHEDULE X, Y, OR 12 See Page 7 of INSTRUCTIONS CHECK HERE

You're losing a major tax deduction this year. Stop the whining.

By DALTON CONLEY
Special to the Washington Post

For many upper-middle-class residents of high-tax states, Tuesday will be the last time we can file to receive a full tax deduction for our state and local income and property taxes. Many Democratic voters in high-tax states cried foul when the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act capped these deductions at \$10,000 from 2018 onward, and some are trying to fight back. "We're attempting to come up with ways to negate and blunt the harsh and unfair Republican tax policy," Kevin de Leon, the Democratic leader of the California Senate, told CNBC. Several states are devising schemes to allow residents to pay some of their state tax liability as a gift to a charitable fund rather than directly to the state government, restoring its deductibility.

Such efforts are misguided. The overall tax bill may be a disaster, but nixing those deductions was the progressive thing to do. Liberals should train their ire elsewhere.

Simply put: If I choose to live in a high-tax state, why should that reduce my obligation to a poor family in Arkansas or a veteran in Nebraska? Local taxes pay for amenities like good schools, clean streets and social services that make my community better for me and my kids. They are the most self-serving of all the taxes I pay. And deducting them means sending dollars back to my community that wouldn't be available for anyone else. The old deduction says: I look after my own and leave others to fend for themselves.

This me-first approach to taxation is particularly true when it comes to property taxes, which are the main basis for public school funding in affluent communities. While overall, the federal government provides only about 9.3 percent of funding for public schools, with the rest pretty much split between state and local sources, this obscures sizable variation across states and localities. South Dakota, for example, receives about 15 percent of its public school funding from the U.S. government, while school budgets in New Jersey and Connecticut (two of the five richest states) rely on 4.1 percent federal funding. The mix of state and local dollars varies significantly as well. Illinois schools, for example, rest on local funding for 65 percent of their budget (and the state for 26 percent), while Hawaii is at the other extreme, with 84 percent state funding and only 2.5 percent local.

The rule of thumb is: The higher the state and local share of school dollars, the



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Among the new tax laws that many Democratic voters object to is a cap on deductions for state and local income and property taxes.

greater the inequality between places, since federal funding is fairly even while state and local funding varies wildly. For example, New Jersey spent \$19,000 per student in the 2013-14 school year while Utah, where federal dollars make up more than 12 percent of school funding, shelled out only \$6,600. Such disparities operate within states as well. In Illinois, according to the New America Foundation, New Trier Township High School District spent almost \$20,000 per pupil in 2008-09 while Farmington Central Community Unit School District spent just \$6,500.

Why should the residents of the New Trier district have to pay less tax to the federal government as a reward for taxing themselves at a higher rate to give their own kids a leg up in a competitive knowledge-based economy? In fact, high-tax areas get a double discount on their federal taxes, since quality schools drive up property values, and high property values usually mean bigger mortgages (another deduction that was capped by the Tax Cut and Jobs Act).

Of course, the Republican authors of the

bill had other, less progressive intentions. In the past, they would have been in favor of state and local tax (SALT) deductions, since they supposedly support devolving political power to states and localities. But this time they were eager to punish wealthy Democratic voters in blue states, which happen to be the highest-tax states; in 2016, Democrat Hillary Clinton won 16 of the top 20 SALT-deducting states. Indeed, the hardest-hit state is my own: New York, where the average deduction was \$22,619 in 2015 — with Connecticut coming in second at \$19,665. By 2027, residents of California, Maryland, New Jersey and New York will pay nearly \$17 billion more in federal income taxes, while Florida and Texas, which voted for Trump, will pay more than \$31 billion less.

The GOP is using the additional revenue gained by capping the SALT deduction to lower taxes for its constituencies (i.e. corporations and those with large estates to pass on) while keeping the total revenue lost below the \$1.5 trillion limit that Republicans set. They may also be playing a long game of what anti-tax crusader Grover

Norquist calls "starving the beast" — albeit at the local level. That is, Republicans may be hoping that without the break on federal taxes I was getting for my high property, city and state taxes, I may vote to reduce taxes — and thus spending — at all levels of government.

But in the long run, yoking the fates of rich states and poor states is better for uniting our extremely divided nation, since the more I pay to educate (or defend or cure) fellow Americans far away from me, the more I may feel invested in the body politic as a whole. And the more I may demand a say in what is taught in Texas classrooms or whether a California military base is converted to a national monument. Ending the SALT deduction, then, represents an important step toward inventing a new national politics.

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PERSPECTIVE



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In Indiana, state lawmakers are paid a salary of \$25,435 compared with roughly \$68,000 in Illinois. Indiana also manages to pay its bills on time.

Mock Indiana? Think again



KRISTEN MCQUEARY

You've probably heard the joke about why trees in Illinois lean east — because Indiana sucks.

Trash-talking our neighbor, or several of them, is the standard response from defenders of Illinois' embarrassing political status quo. Yes, Indiana has a funded, stable pension system. Yes, Indiana keeps local governments accountable with effective property tax caps. Yes, Indiana pays its bills on time. But, hey, Hoosiers are all a bunch of hicks so who cares?

Instead of following Indiana's example, Illinois taxpayers have accepted the unacceptable. We rationalize the irrational. We wear state government chicanery like a badge of honor.

We hardly question our legislature's lazy schedule, even in times of financial crisis. It's tradition that Illinois lawmakers focus on their most important task — passing a budget — during the final days, sometimes hours, of the spring legislative session. It's no big deal that they take weeks off and then descend on Springfield for a chaotic, pressure-cooked finale.

It's accepted that the timeline for change in Springfield is lethargic, unaring and harmful to vulnerable citizens who rely on government. Wait in line,

they're told.

All of this, we have accepted. By contrast, Indiana works on a biennial budget cycle, which means the state legislature there has considerably less work every other year. Illinois has explored transitioning to a biennial schedule, but it would require a constitutional change, and our leaders just aren't interested in sensible budgeting.

Even with a two-year budget cycle, Indiana lawmakers embark on a rational approach, concentrating their work in the summer and fall before their session begins in January. That's when Illinois' lawmakers are on an extended vacation. When Indiana lawmakers convene in January, dealing with the budget is the first thing they do, not the last.

Indiana lawmakers are paid a base salary of \$25,435 compared with roughly \$68,000 in Illinois. Compensation in both states climbs substantially when mileage, per diem costs and leadership posts are included, but at least Indiana legislators can point to a state government running in the black.

Of course Indiana pays its bills on time — that means within 35 days — unlike the deadbeat Land of Lincoln, where extreme late payments and costly interest penalties are the norm. We've accepted that too.

Currently, Indiana is under one-party (GOP) rule in the capital, which makes governing more cohesive. Under one-party rule in Illinois, when Democrats controlled state govern-

ment from 2003 to 2015, this state still was a mess of unbalanced budgets, gross borrowing, skipped pension payments and late bill-paying.

As of last week, Gov. Bruce Rauner, House Speaker Michael Madigan and Senate President John Cullerton couldn't even agree on how much money is available to spend in the state's upcoming budget year. They're currently fighting about the starting point.

I asked Indiana officials if they argue over revenue projections. They didn't quite understand the question because, well, no they don't squabble. State leaders from both parties spend a few weeks looking at forecasts and seeking outside advice. Then they come to an agreement on how much money is available to spend in the next budget cycle. Weird, right?

I asked my friend Abdul-Hakim Shabazz, a political commentator, writer and attorney in Indianapolis who used to live in Illinois, for his thoughts on the two states.

For instance, teachers in Indiana are threatening to strike over low pay. But in Illinois, local taxes, which support public schools, are driving residents to move away from our state. Why are we so different?

"The big difference is that when it was time to make hard choices and hard decisions, Indiana buckled down and made them," he said. "Illinois kicked the can down the road. When all that pension stuff was starting to bubble up and nobody did anything in

Illinois, we had (former) Gov. Mitch Daniels to make those hard decisions."

Daniels was elected in 2004, two years into Rod Blagojevich's first term as governor. Instead of dealing responsibly with pension pressures, Blagojevich led a \$10 billion borrowing scheme to make pension payments and then signed off on budgets with pension-payment holidays. But really, no Illinois governor, past or present, Democrat or Republican, has urgently dealt with this state's pension crisis.

Shabazz grew up in Chicago, worked for Illinois state government for several years and still owns property in Springfield. He appreciates both states and even Illinois' "knock-down, drag-out (political) culture that, if done well, rewards smartness and a certain amount of shrewdness."

That is not the final product, however. The culture of shrewdness here is perverse and destructive.

Before we ended our conversation, Shabazz added this observation: "State government unions are not as powerful in Indiana as they are in Illinois. If I had to compare the two, I would say Illinois is an example of what happens when you let government unions get out of control."

So what's better: unions running state government or so-called hicks running state government?

I think you know the answer.

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PERSPECTIVE



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Former first lady Barbara Bush has decided not to seek additional medical treatment, her family said.

A parting gift from a former first lady

BY JACQUIELYNN FLOYD

In the spirit with which we mark life's other landmark events, I would like to wish former first lady Barbara Bush a peaceful passing.

Mrs. Bush is nearing the end of her long and eventful life. It's reflective of her characteristic candor that this was made public Sunday, when her family announced that she will no longer accept medical treatment other than palliative care.

Death is natural, but the systemic breakdowns that often lead up to it can be wrenching. According to a family spokesman, Mrs. Bush has been less concerned for herself than for her family.

"Barbara Bush has been a rock in the face of her failing health, worrying not for herself — thanks to her abiding faith — but for others," said spokesman Jim McGrath.

That is grace. It's class.

The catchall category "political wife" is too dismissive for Mrs. Bush — really, it's too dismissive for anybody, but she was an undisputed personality in her own right. The directness that contributed to her public popularity was, by some accounts, sometimes blistering for those who felt its full force from up close.

Her family calls her "The Enforcer," a term reportedly coined by her son, the former president and Dallas resident George W. Bush (yes, for present purposes, those are in descending order of importance).

"I'm in my 30s, but my grandmother's words and reprimands can still sting, making me tear up and sniffle like a child," wrote Jenna Bush, recounting an anecdote about Mrs. Bush sending her a tart note for showboating during a family tennis match. "That is my grandmother: exacting and determined to protect the ones she loves."

Now 92, Mrs. Bush came of age in an era during which women often were not permitted to speak their own minds, and certainly not in the — to mix a garish metaphor — hothouse

fishbowl of American politics.

Maybe, after weathering a turn as first lady (possibly the worst, most thankless, most ill-paid and overscrutinized quasi-job in government), the steady downward drift of failing health has been easy to weather. But I doubt it.

Rational science and human decency have done much to ease the end of life. Hospice programs provide a framework to ease pain and to help often bewildered families navigate the transition; enlightened doctors understand when the definition of "heroics" shifts from prolonging life to making the most of what remains.

Culturally, we haven't done as well. Death, the experience that every single one of us will share, remains a scary mystery. Families conceal its approach, as if it were a shameful secret. In our simple-minded obsession with "winning" and "strength," death equates with "losing," the ultimate weakness.

We would be happier people if we wised up.

"We've lost the rich wisdom of normal human dying," writes British palliative care specialist and author Dr. Kathryn Mannix. "It's time for us to talk about dying and reclaim this wisdom."

My sister-in-law lost her own cherished mother, who was in hospice care in Baton Rouge, La., on Sunday. It was a passing with grace and meaning, as a network of family and friends created a spontaneous support base.

"What an incredible gift the past 12 days have been," writes my sister-in-law, Carlen Pool Floyd, in a pitch-perfect tribute. "I am so proud to be from a place where both life and death are celebrated, where people open their hearts and homes to you, offering to wash your clothes, give you a place to sleep, or bring you something to eat."

"My mom embodied the very best of these South Louisiana values."

Today, I read a lot of comments written in admiration of Mrs. Bush that include the caveat "even though I didn't agree with her husband/son's politics

..."

Well, she didn't always agree with them either. Let me offer my admiration without planting a political flag here — in no small measure because she frequently offered inspiring proof that successful marriages do not require political agreement.

In making that simple announcement that Mrs. Bush is ready to limit medical treatment to "comfort care," she and her family are offering a measure of comfort to all of us: This is life too. This is acceptance.

It's just possible that Mrs. Bush, for all her directness (or maybe because of it) had a rare and uncanny ability to recognize what would matter most in that final stage long before she got there.

"Cherish your human connections: your relationships with family and friends," she advised graduates when she delivered the commencement address to the Wellesley College class of 1990.

These were high-powered young women about to embark on meaningful careers, and Mrs. Bush congratulated them. And then she added:

"You've had impressed upon you the importance to your career of dedication and hard work. And, of course, that's true. But as important as your obligations as a doctor, a lawyer, a business leader will be, you are a human being first. And those human connections ... are the most important investments you will ever make."

"At the end of life, you will never regret not having passed one more test, winning one more verdict, or not closing one more deal. You will regret time not spent with a husband, a child, a friend or a parent."

I suspect Mrs. Bush has little to regret, maybe because she has kept that essential truth close.

It's valuable how-to advice, a parting gift. We should take it to heart.

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I almost lost my sons to 'Fortnite'

BY THOMAS PACE

Make no mistake. What we are looking at here is an epidemic, a pestilence that's sweeping across the country, spreading like an infectious disease. A virtual tsunami, rolling over the American landscape and swallowing 10- to 16-year-old boys with an insidious ease I would have thought impossible until it swept through my house and took both my boys right from under my nose.

I'm speaking, of course, of "Fortnite," the video game.

Over the last two months, "Fortnite" has developed a grip so tight on the kids in our neighborhood that I have heard several parents discuss starting a support group for our little video game junkies.

These zombies, who used to be our children, all exhibit the same symptoms of addiction, such as fading interests in all other activities and being suddenly incapable of engaging in conversations about any other topic.

They quickly become strung out and irritable if away from their PlayStation 4 or Game-Cube for more than a few hours. They use words like "epic" and "legendary" in strange and unfamiliar ways and drone on about places I've never heard of, like "Tilted Towers" and "Lucky Landing."

They debate endlessly about which is better: the pump-action shotgun or the bolt-action sniper rifle? And they brag dubiously about how many kills they had in their big second-place finish yesterday. They lie outright about the number of first-place victories they've accumulated.

Yes, it's pretty dark stuff. "Fortnite" is, after all, a first-person point-of-view shooter game.

But it's by no means the game's violent content that has me so distressed. Not by a long shot. While "Fortnite" is full of bullets, guns and grenades, it thankfully spares us the gore. In fact, in "Fortnite" there is essentially no blood or guts to speak of. Compared with many of the shoot-'em-up games out there it's pretty tame — if not outright lame.

Far more troublesome is how completely addictive it appears to be.

It was sometime over spring break I noticed that my 10- and 12-year-olds were actually wak-

ing themselves early in the morning to get their fixes. By the time I got out of bed, around 6:30 a.m., I would find them already up and in front of the game. One tethered to a headset, his blank gaze fixed onto the screen, rapt in a conversation (with whom I could only guess) about looting or gathering wood or metal, while the other sat, doe-eyed, tracking "the storm" and counting down how many of the 100 initial players were still left in the game.

And it's not just my sons. A quick, albeit unscientific, survey of neighborhood parents confirmed that nearly every single kid I know has become utterly obsessed with this video game.

One minute it mustered just a spark of interest as the latest popular video game. The next minute it fanned itself into a wildfire of fiendish preoccupation that has consumed these kids from the inside and left them empty shells of the people they used to be.

They travel in hordes throughout the neighborhood, playing at one house until their welcome wears out, at which time the entire pack travels, en masse, to another house or apartment, until again being banished. It's like a zombie attack, but this time it's the zombies' brains that are being eaten.

Back in the 1980s, I myself battled a serious case of chronic Pac-Man fever, so I understand that, like all things, this, too, shall pass. I know that the "Fortnite" contagion will eventually run its course. And decades from now, when I tell my grandchildren tales of the Great Fortnite Epidemic of '18, they will only be able to wonder what it was about this game that their parents found so hypnotizing.

For now, my wife and I are rehabilitating our boys with a strict daily 30-minute game-playing limit, and it seems to be helping. They are slowly but surely returning to their former selves.

Recently, I even heard them talking a little baseball.

And I have to admit, as disturbing as the Great Fortnite Epidemic of '18 has been, it's been a lot less annoying than the Bottle-Flipping Pandemic of '16 and a lot more interesting than the Fidget-Spinner Fever of '17.

Thomas Pace is a Chicago-area songwriter, recording artist and screenwriter.



EPIC GAMES

Preteen boys can't seem to get enough of the latest shoot-'em-up game, "Fortnite." Hopefully the obsession will soon pass.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Real harm

The Illinois General Assembly would be foolish to try to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment 36 years after it failed. Congress set a time limit of seven years, and ERA failed to meet the legal requirement that ratification be contemporaneous. Plenty of other states would reject ERA if they voted on it today and five did rescind their ratification in the 1970s.

ERA is a poorly written amendment that would not put "women" in the Constitution; it would put "sex" in the Constitution. Sex has many definitions besides gender. Plus, ERA has a second clause, which your editorial did not mention, that requires the federal government to enforce the amendment. Hundreds of good state laws would be overturned — such as sex segregated prisons, women's shelters, and

legal accommodations for pregnant women. ERA would mandate taxpayer-paid abortions and equal representation of women in military combat and selective service. Passing ERA would take away plenty of rights that women enjoy; but nothing in ERA would ever give women a pay raise or stop any sexual harassers.

ERA would not be "symbolic," but would cause real harm to real women by mandating that men and women are interchangeable in every circumstance. I am proud to continue the fight against this destructive amendment that my mother, Phyllis Schlafly, led.

— Anne Schlafly Cori, Alton, Ill.

Illinois' priorities

I was reassured to read that the Illinois legislature is, on top of all the important things, addressing state taxpayers' concerns. How proud legislators must be to pass

approval of the Equal Rights Amendment, 36 years after its expiration date. (Women's vote? Check!)

And now they're working on key educational concerns with a bill to add LGBT history to schools' curricula. I have nothing against LGBT history, but is that the most important topic in a state with billions in debt? (LGBT vote? Check!)

From the cries for more education money, I sense our schools are having a tough enough job just handling the current course load. And, as I recently read in the Tribune, almost one half of the proposed \$3.4 billion education appropriation would go toward pensions. Isn't that unsustainable situation important? I would think that should be a key topic of discussion. (Teachers union vote? Check!)

I submit our state legislators' priorities should be reviewed. And some wonder why folks (overburdened taxpayers) are leaving our state en masse.

— Jim Ihlenfeld, Aurora

A country divided

I have no idea where the Mueller investigation is headed, or what evidence investigators may or may not have with regard to the president. But I am certain of one thing: It is tearing this country apart, eating us alive from the inside out like a carnivorous political virus, and no one seems to notice or care.

Special counsel Robert Mueller needs to wrap up his investigation as to the criminal guilt or innocence of the president specifically. Every day this investigation continues only drags our country further and further toward a place we may not be able to recover from.

— Tony LaMantia, Chicago

Eroding trust

In the aftermath of Friday's missile attack against Syria, my concern is not whether it necessarily was right or wrong, as I will leave that to the supposed experts of military and political science. Rather, I wonder if we can believe the leader of this country, when

he now declares the attack an unqualified success, with all targets hit and destroyed. Given this man's track record thus far for truthfulness, and demanding his subordinates' unqualified loyalty without regard to what is really correct or factual, this now seems to be one of the main issues the citizens of this country must wrestle with day in and day out, along with his daily petulant child-like comments.

Granted, it appears even the military experts seem to be of the same opinion as President Donald Trump, but then again, what pressures may they be facing from within, based on this man's history during his term of office? Is what he seeks just more self-gratification of his supposed leadership? Or can we actually take his word at face value for once? He has put himself and the rest of us in this quandary, and now it appears we must live with this constant uncertainty. It shouldn't have to be like that. Yet, it appears he has no one else to blame than himself, and maybe so do we.

— Charles Kliche, Lombard

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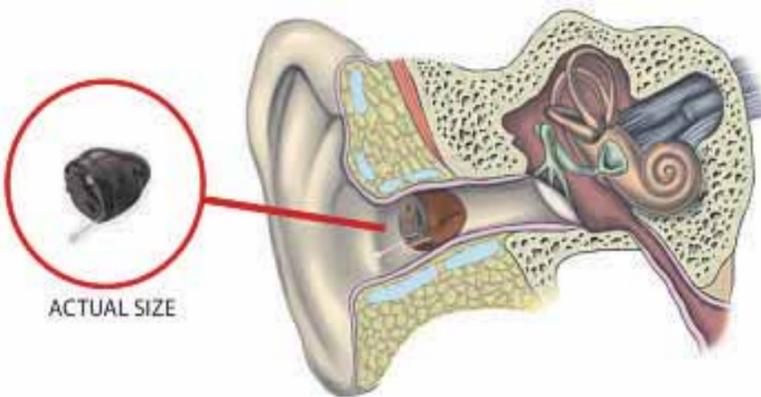
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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

As Starbucks takes heat, CEO vows action

Arrests of 2 black men lead to pledge of training on bias

BY KRISTEN DE GROOT AND JOSEPH PISANI
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Starbucks wants to add training for store managers on “unconscious bias,” CEO Kevin Johnson said Monday, as activists held more protests at a Philadelphia store where two black men were arrested when employees said they were trespassing.

Johnson, who has called the arrests “reprehensible,” arrived in Philadelphia this weekend after video of the arrests gained traction online. He said he hopes to meet with the two men in the next couple of days and apologize to them face-to-face.

“I’d like to have a dialogue with them and the opportunity to listen to them with compassion and



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Activist Asa Khalif, left, protests inside the Starbucks where two black men were arrested.

empathy through the experience they went through,” said Johnson, who has been CEO about a year. A lawyer for the two men who were arrested didn’t immediately return a call for comment.

The incident is a major blow to Starbucks’ image,

since the company has promoted its coffee shops as neighborhood hangouts where anyone is welcome. After a video of the arrests spread online, the hashtag #BoycottStarbucks trended on Twitter.

And on Monday, about

two dozen protesters took over the Philadelphia shop, chanting slogans like, “A whole lot of racism, a whole lot of crap, Starbucks coffee is anti-black.” A Starbucks regional vice president who attempted to talk to protesters was shouted down.

“We don’t want this Starbucks to make any money today. That’s our goal,” said Abdul-Aliy Muhammad, one of the protest organizers and co-founder of the Black and Brown Workers Collective.

Over the weekend, demonstrators called for the firing of the employee who contacted police, who arrested the men Thursday.

Officials have said police officers were told the men had asked to use the store’s restroom but were denied because they hadn’t bought anything and they refused to leave.

Video shows several police talking quietly with two black men seated at a table. After a few minutes, officers handcuff the men and lead them outside as other customers say they weren’t doing anything wrong. A white man identified as real estate developer Andrew Yaffe arrives and tells the officers the two men were waiting for him. An officer says the men were not

complying and were being arrested for trespassing.

“Why would they be asked to leave?” Yaffe says. “Does anybody else think this is ridiculous? It’s absolute discrimination.”

A woman can be heard in the video saying “they didn’t do anything, I saw the entire thing.”

Police haven’t released the names of the men, who were later released after the district attorney’s office said there was lack of evidence that a crime had been committed.

Johnson said the company will ensure that employee guidelines on when the police should be called will be clarified.

Asked if the incident was a case of racism, Johnson responded: “Starbucks was built around the concept of a ‘third place’ where we create a warm and welcoming environment for all customers. What I do know is that did not happen in this instance. And that is what we’re focused on.”



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Members of the artificial intelligence team, including Sujoy Ganguly, second from right, lead a brainstorming session Monday at the Stats office in Chicago. Stats gathers sports data and analyzes it for teams and broadcasting companies around the world.

FUN, GAMES — AND SOME SERIOUS TECHNOLOGY

Local firm Stats bets big on artificial intelligence to gather sports data

BY ALLY MAROTTI
Chicago Tribune

When a baseball announcer rattles off your favorite player’s batting average with two outs and runners on first and third, he’s not pulling that figure from the back of his mind. There’s a good chance that timely information was pro-

vided by Stats, a Chicago-based sports data and technology company.

Stats, which gathers data from sporting events around the world for more than 650 customers, says it has inked five deals this year worth a total of more than \$70 million. The most recent deal, a \$10 million agreement announced

last week, extended and expanded a relationship with a global broadcast and telecommunications conglomerate.

Stats plans to invest some of the money into advancing its use of artificial intelligence to capture game data, said Chief Revenue Officer Richard Henderson, who declined to name the other parties involved in the deals.

The company, which has already started building out its artificial intelligence team, is working to train computers to

review game footage and extract statistics, providing new insights for coaches and players and fun facts for broadcasters to relay to fans.

“There’s lots of video footage that exists globally of historic games,” Henderson said. “If we can get computers basically to watch the game and code the game, that enables us to aggregate data sources on a much grander scale than individual humans

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VW may consider Navistar buyout

Lisle-based firm’s shares jump 10 percent on Monday

BY CHRISTOPH RAUWALD AND JOHN LIPPERT
Bloomberg

Volkswagen’s heavy-vehicle division is open to a takeover of U.S. affiliate Navistar International Corp. as the German company seeks scale to compete with global leaders Daimler and Volvo AB.

Volkswagen Truck & Bus, which is changing its structure to access capital markets in about a year, might consider boosting its existing stake of just under 17 percent of Lisle-based Navistar, though that could trigger a mandatory takeover offer, Chief Financial Officer Matthias Gruendler said Monday at a Munich press conference. Any purchase could be funded by parent Volkswagen and not depend on an initial public offering that the truck unit is considering, he said.

A takeover “would theoretically be possible,” Gruendler said, outlining a potential price tag of about “3 billion to 4 billion,” without specifying dollars or euros. While he declined to comment on a possible time frame for a deal, he said cooperation between the two manufacturers is developing “very well.”

Navistar has no comment on any stake shift, though the companies’ year-old alliance “is already demonstrating strong progress” and is set for “continued success,” Lyndi McMillan, a spokeswoman for the Lisle, Illinois-based truckmaker, said in an email.

Andreas Renschler, head of Volkswagen Truck & Bus, outlined global growth plans at the briefing Monday that included adding sales in China and sharing costs across its MAN, Scania and Brazilian VW commercial-vehicle operations through joint procurement and development of parts. Volkswagen bought its holding in Navistar in 2016 to gain a foothold in North America, where Daimler makes Freightliner vehicles and Volvo owns the Mack brand.

Navistar shares jumped 10 percent to close at \$40.71 Monday.

The Volkswagen truck division’s preparations for an IPO or a debt sale will take 12 months, and MAN’s Diesel & Turbo engine and

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Elgin casino to change hands in \$327.5M deal

Eldorado Resorts says it will buy Grand Victoria from MGM, Pritzker partnership

BY CORILYN SHROPSHIRE
Chicago Tribune

Elgin’s Grand Victoria Casino is set to change hands later this year, and the prospective new owner is eyeing land near the casino for future development.

Reno, Nev.-based Eldorado Resorts said it entered into a definitive agreement to pay \$327.5 million for the casino now owned by equal partners MGM Resorts International and RBG, a Pritzker family limited

partnership.

Buying the Grand Victoria furthers Eldorado’s efforts to grow by acquisition and gain a foothold in the Chicago-area market. It also includes contiguous acreage that could be developed, the company said.

“Grand Victoria is one of the leading casinos in the Chicagoland market and is extremely well-maintained, which will allow us, upon closing, to focus on enhancing the guest experience and operating results without the need to undertake capital invest-

ments,” Gary Carano, chairman and chief executive officer of Eldorado, said on a conference call Monday.

Eldorado also announced plans Monday to team up with Gaming and Leisure and acquire Tropicana Entertainment for \$1.85 billion. Gaming and Leisure will pay roughly \$1.21 billion and Eldorado will pay \$64 million. Eldorado will manage the properties. Tropicana owns seven casinos in six states, including two in Nevada — the Tropicana Laughlin Hotel and Casino and the MontBleu Resort Casino & Spa in South Lake Tahoe — as well as properties in Indiana, Louisiana, Missis-

sippi, Missouri and New Jersey.

Eldorado currently owns several casino properties in states including Missouri, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Nevada and Louisiana. “Following the completion of these transactions, Eldorado has grown from a company that just four years ago was comprised of two wholly owned properties and a 50 percent (joint) ownership interest... (in) a third property in just two states to a company now that owns 26 gaming properties in 13 states,” Carano said on the conference call.

The Grand Victoria, which received its license

in 1994, had gross receipts of \$168.7 million last year, up 3.4 percent from 2016, according to the Illinois Gaming Board. Tax revenue from the casino brought in \$45 million to the state’s coffers, up 4.6 percent from 2016.

MGM said it acquired its 50 percent interest in the Grand Victoria in 2005, when it bought Mandalay Resort Group, formerly named Circus Circus Enterprises. Grand Victoria was originally a joint venture between Circus Circus Enterprises and Hyatt Gaming.

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Google also in the privacy hot seat

While spotlight has been on Facebook, search giant faces data issues too

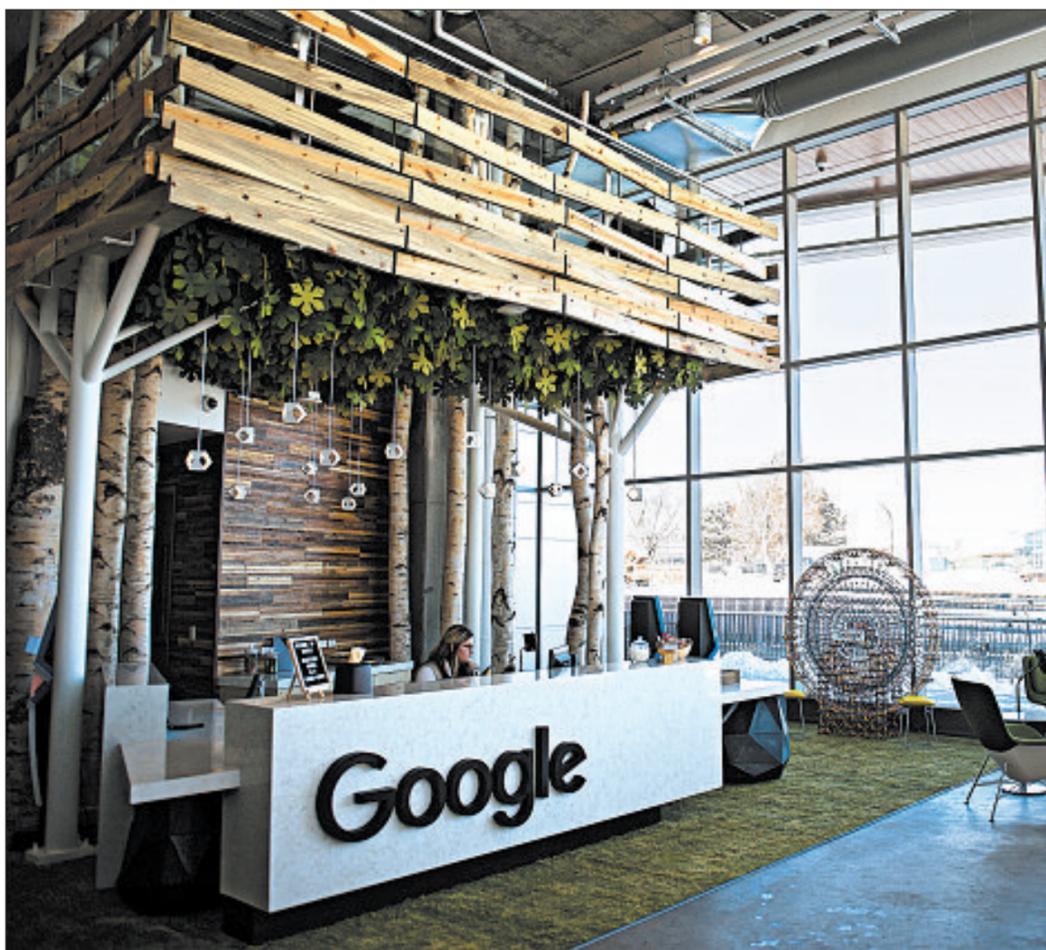
BY MARK BERGEN
AND BEN BRODY
Bloomberg News

No one at Google envied Mark Zuckerberg last week as he was being grilled by Congress. But for years, they certainly coveted the personal data that made Facebook a formidable digital ad player. And the strategies they set to compete have now placed Google squarely in the cross hairs of a privacy backlash against the world's largest social media company.

The House and Senate questioned Zuckerberg for about 10 hours after revelations that data on millions of Facebook users got into the hands of Cambridge Analytica, a consulting firm that worked on President Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign. The hearings centered on the digital information and machinery Facebook built up to serve targeted ads. No company has a bigger business doing that — except Google. When the grilling ended, Democrats and some Republicans called for broad privacy regulation, putting Google on the hot seat next to Zuckerberg.

"Google, in every respect, collects more data. Google, in every respect, has a much bigger advertising business," said David Chavern, president of News Media Alliance, a publisher trade group. Rather than "a Facebook privacy law," he expects regulation to target the entire industry.

Tech giants see a higher chance of legislation if Democrats win the House of Representatives or even the Senate later this year. At that point, the companies would have to begin haggling to fend off some proposals that would be intolerable, according to a top policy official at a major internet company. One concern is that proposals will require letting users opt out of data collection com-



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Google has suffered fewer of the problems plaguing Facebook, including fake news and Russian-linked political spending.

pletely, the person said, describing that as an untouchable foundation of internet business models.

So far, Google has suffered fewer of the problems plaguing Facebook, including fake news and Russian-linked political spending. And it's avoided public blunders like the Cambridge Analytica data leak.

But two years ago, Google altered its advertising business in a way that makes it more vulnerable to data-sharing scrutiny. The company rolled out new rules for its DoubleClick system, which targets and places ads across the web. Advertisers could start pairing their own web-tracking data (from "cookies" that follow users online) with potent Google information including search queries,

location history, phone numbers and credit card information. Until then, Google had steadfastly kept that personal data separate.

At the time, Google said the new approach let marketers more easily track consumers across multiple devices. But two former Google ad executives said Facebook's aggressive ad targeting moves also prompted the decision. They asked not to be named discussing their former employer. Google declined to comment.

Even before that, Google was working to counter Facebook's critical edge: Knowing exactly who people are online. In 2015, the search giant unveiled Customer Match, a tool letting advertisers target ads using consumers' Gmail ad-

resses. That mirrored a popular Facebook offering called Custom Audiences. Google Plus, the company's social network, failed to catch on with users but did prompt millions of people to log in to Google's other web properties, catnip for marketers.

Those changes helped Google's display ad business blossom. Morgan Stanley recently pegged its value at \$36 billion. Political advertisers are among those embracing DoubleClick. Last year, the unit touted a case study with i360, a marketing firm affiliated with the conservative power brokers Charles and David Koch. i360 uses its own data to slice online populations into segments, such as those for and against gun control and traditional marriage. A

Google blog post explained how DoubleClick's systems sucked in that information to help i360 boost the number of its ads people saw. i360 didn't respond to a request for comment.

Google stresses its ad targeting is anonymous, with strict privacy controls in place. "More than any tech company out there, Google is taking this extremely seriously," said Mario Schiappacasse, who runs display advertising for digital marketing firm Jellyfish. "We've always seen them be extremely cautious."

The ad industry is also quick to point out that the Cambridge Analytica saga is different than the ad targeting Google offers. And the tracking and data-collection methods used by the largest internet services are dis-

closed in terms and conditions.

But during Zuckerberg's marathon questioning on Capitol Hill, politicians were either oblivious or unconcerned with the distinction. Senators Amy Klobuchar, a Democrat, and John Kennedy, a Republican, introduced consumer privacy legislation last week, writing that tech companies are "profiting off the data of Americans — their online behavior, personal messages, contact and personal information, and more — all while leaving consumers in the dark."

The nuances of complex ad technology and voluminous user agreements are lost on most of the public too. A recent Gallup poll found that 35 percent of Google users are very concerned about invasion of privacy, up from 25 percent in 2011. Facebook users are even more skeptical: 43 percent of the social network's users surveyed cited the same worry. However, the research also showed Google users are slightly more concerned that their personal data will be sold to or used by other companies.

Google is already buttoning up its data policies in anticipation of Europe's General Data Protection Regulation, or GDPR, which kicks in next month. The company restricted the number of third-party companies that can serve and track ads through its advertising exchange and on YouTube. Google is also requiring publishers to get user consent for targeted ads to comply with GDPR.

Congress is considering a bipartisan bill, the Honest Ads Act, that would require disclosures for online political ads. Facebook endorsed it and Zuckerberg told Congress he was open to additional regulation. Google has not yet endorsed the bill.

"Of course it's coming," Gary Shapiro, president of the Consumer Technology Association, said about industry regulation. "It's just a question of when."

Bloomberg's John McCormick contributed.

Navistar surges as buyout by VW looks 'imminent'

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Renk industrial-equipment units will be shifted from the business to parent Volkswagen, the executives said.

"This comprehensive project will accelerate the transformation of our company" into "a true global champion, and will quickly make it ready for the capital markets," Renschler said at the press conference. He reiterated that no decision has been made on an IPO.

The revamp of the heavy-vehicle division, which Evercore ISI estimates has as much as 30 billion euros in assets, marks the most significant structural shift so far for Volkswagen as the world's biggest carmaker retools for massive change across its industry. The Wolfsburg, Germany-based

manufacturer appointed Herbert Diess, head of its namesake auto brand, as its new chief executive officer last week, and he pledged to accelerate decision-making across the group to adapt to rapid shifts in technology and competition.

An IPO for the truck and bus unit "is just one of the options" the division is considering to gain financing, Renschler said in an interview, adding that another would be to sell bonds. "It's ultimately a decision for our shareholders."

VW Chairman Hans Dieter Poetsch told reporters on Friday the auto manufacturer will retain a controlling stake in the commercial-vehicle business and that a share sale might not happen until 2019, as it still requires final approval.



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The project "will accelerate the transformation of our company" into "a true global champion, and will quickly make it ready for the capital markets," said Andreas Renschler, head of Volkswagen Truck & Bus.



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Members of the artificial intelligence team, including Patrick Lucey, Sujoy Ganguly, Justin Pinkos, Mason Stallmo, Nathan Frank, and Jennifer Hobbs meet for a brain storm session at the Stats office in Chicago on Monday.

Firm bets big on artificial intelligence

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can."

Stats already uses advanced technology to gather data, he said. It deploys employees to stadiums around the world to code games in real time. Its technology can, for example, capture 2,700 data points in a soccer game. It can track the distance a player ran, the trajectory and speed of the ball, how many touches a player had, or how quickly she accelerated.

Artificial intelligence can gather and process even broader data, Henderson said. It can provide predictive analytics to coaches, showing them, for instance, a play in which their players failed to score and recommending a different run that could result in a goal.

"Because we've aggregated so much data, it will know how that defense

operates in certain scenarios," Henderson said.

The coaches might not take the suggestion, but the idea is to give them increased insights to help them win.

Such predictive data goes deeper than just capturing statistics broadcasters can share with fans, though that is part of Stats' business. The company counts media and broadcasting companies, as well as sports teams and leagues, among its customers.

For example, Stats will provide data feeds to companies to engage fans during the upcoming World Cup, and coaches in FIFA use the data to strategize. It also distributes football statistics to fantasy sports providers for their platforms and works with Major League Baseball, the National Football League, the National Basketball Association and the National Hockey League.

Teaching computers to watch games and gather data could expand the company's reach to amateur or even high school teams, Henderson said.

The technology wouldn't replace employees; it would do work they don't have time for. The company plans to keep hiring more workers, in the artificial intelligence department and elsewhere. It employs about 1,200 people globally, more than 200 of whom are in Chicago. Earlier this year, it added a floor to its Loop headquarters that can hold an additional 100 employees.

The expanded use of artificial intelligence would allow the company to analyze additional data for more clients as well as historical data. Stats has baseball data going back to the 1800s, for example.

Sheldon Jacobson, a professor of computer science at the University of Illinois

at Urbana-Champaign, said the technology Stats is working on would find new value in sports data that are already out there.

"It's the artificial intelligence that realizes the potential of the data," he said. "What Stats is really monetizing is the information the data contains."

The data will help coaches make better decisions and ultimately improve performance, Jacobson said. But once other teams catch on, the value of the information could wane. He pointed to the way Michael Lewis' book "Moneyball" brought widespread attention to the Oakland Athletics' use of advanced statistics. Once other baseball teams caught on, the A's lost some of their edge.

Stats will need to keep innovating, he said.

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Little change in lending environment

BY JOYCE M. ROSENBERG
AP business writer

The lending environment for small and mid-sized businesses has changed little this year compared with the end of 2017.

That's according to a survey of 1,237 companies taken during the first quarter and released Monday by researchers at Pepperdine University's Graziadio School of Business and Management and Dun & Bradstreet Corp.

Companies questioned in the survey found borrowing less difficult in the first three months of the year — 54 percent said it was hard to get credit, down from 58 percent in

the fourth quarter. Going forward, 56 percent expect it will be difficult to get credit, the same as in the fourth-quarter survey.

Banks remained the largest source of credit for small and mid-sized companies, with a third getting credit from either large or community banks, little changed from the fourth quarter. Thirty-seven percent didn't seek credit, also little changed.

An index that shows how accessible financing is for small businesses rose to 34.8 from 34.0 in the fourth quarter. A separate index that measures demand for financing rose to 36.4 from 36.2.

The survey questioned businesses with annual revenue of up to \$100

million from Dun & Bradstreet's database. The company compiles credit reports on companies.

Dealing with federal income taxes is still a chore for small business owners even when they have an accountant or tax professional handling their returns. That's the finding of a survey released last week by the advocacy group National Small Business Association.

The survey, which questioned 953 owners, found that a wide majority, 68 percent, give their returns to a tax pro to prepare. But 57 percent still said federal taxes have a moderate or significant impact on the day-to-day operation of their businesses. One-third said they spend more than

40 hours a year on federal taxes.

The administrative burden posed by taxes is expected to increase this year following the enactment of the new tax law. Sixty-seven percent expect paperwork and other tax-related chores to be their biggest tax burden this year, up from 60 percent in 2017. Only 7 percent predicted that filing their taxes would be easier as a result of the law.

Thirty-six percent of owners have a relatively small financial burden from their federal taxes, not including the tax itself, paying up to \$1,000 for tax preparation. Another third spend between \$1,000 and \$5,000, and nearly a third spend more than \$5,000.

T-Mobile to pay \$40M over fake outgoing calls

Call-completion problems appeared mostly in rural areas

BY TODD SHIELDS
Bloomberg

The Federal Communications Commission announced a \$40 million settlement with T-Mobile US over accusations the carrier made it seem that outgoing calls were ringing at their destination when they weren't.

T-Mobile admitted that it violated a prohibition against inserting false ringing sounds, and that it didn't correct problems, the FCC said Monday in an emailed news release. T-Mobile reported that it had injected the false ringing sounds on hundreds of millions of calls, the FCC said.

T-Mobile, of Bellevue, Washington, said in an emailed statement that "the ringtone oversight, which was corrected in January

2017, was unintentional."

Call-completion problems appeared to be occurring mostly in rural areas served by closely held regional telephone companies, which charge the long-distance carriers such as T-Mobile more than companies in urban and suburban areas, according to the FCC. With the false ringing sounds, the calling party believes the phone is ringing at the called party's premises when it is not. As a result, the caller may hang up, thinking nobody is available to receive the call, thus saving T-Mobile fees it would have to pay the local carrier.

Calls that aren't completed cause rural businesses to lose revenue, impede medical professionals from reaching patients in rural areas, cut families off from their relatives, and create the potential for dangerous delays in public safety communications, the FCC said.



MATT ROURKE/AP

T-Mobile admitted that it violated a prohibition against inserting false ringing sounds, the FCC said Monday.



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Martin Sorrell built WPP into a global brand but was accused of misusing company assets. He has denied wrongdoing.

Martin Sorrell steps down as CEO of advertising giant WPP

BY DANICA KIRKA
Associated Press

LONDON — Martin Sorrell is stepping down as chief executive of WPP, the world's largest advertising agency, following allegations of personal misconduct.

Sorrell, who built WPP into a global brand during his 33 years at the helm, had been accused of misusing company assets. He has denied any wrongdoing.

Sorrell resigned Saturday night as WPP announced that an investigation into the matter had concluded, with the firm saying only that "the alle-

gation did not involve amounts that are material."

"As I look ahead, I see that the current disruption is simply putting too much unnecessary pressure on the business," Sorrell said in a statement to WPP staff. "That is why I have decided that, in your interest, in the interest of our clients, in the interest of all shareowners both big and small, and in the interest of all our other stakeholders, it is best for me to step aside."

Chairman Roberto Quarta will lead the company until a new chief executive has been chosen. Sorrell is a titan of

British business who was named the world's second-best performing CEO in 2017 by the Harvard Business Review. He took a U.K. manufacturer of wire baskets and built it into a worldwide provider of advertising, public relations and marketing services through a series of takeovers. The acquisitions included the J. Walter Thompson Group, the Young & Rubicam Group and the Ogilvy Group.

He was richly compensated for his efforts.

Sorrell was the highest-paid CEO among FTSE 100 companies in both 2015 and 2016, according to a

study by the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development and the High Pay Centre. He received 70.4 million pounds (\$100.3 million) in salary, bonuses, incentive rewards, pension payments and other benefits in 2015, and 48.1 million pounds in 2016, the study found.

"If WPP does well, I do well," he told the Press Association in April 2016. "Most of my wealth, if not all of it, is and has been for the last 31 years tied up in the success of WPP. So if WPP does well, I do well, and others in the company do well. If we do badly, we suffer."

Domino's to deliver to beaches, parks

BY JOSEPH PISANI
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Domino's, which has been bringing pizzas to doorsteps for more than half a century, will now deliver to the great outdoors.

The pizza chain said Monday that its drivers can meet customers at U.S. beaches, parks and landmarks to hand over pizza, cheesy bread and other food on its menu.

In all, Domino's said it will deliver to 150,000 outdoor locations including under the Gateway Arch in St. Louis; by the Las Vegas welcome sign; or next to a statue of soul singer James Brown in Augusta, Georgia. The locations show up in the company's app or website as "Domino's Hotspots."

Delivery is a key part of the company's business, and it has been aggressive in making it easy to order through tweets, text mes-

sages and Amazon's voice-activated Echo. But competition has grown from other fast-food chains that are offering more delivery options. McDonald's has a deal with online service UberEats, and the parent company of KFC and Taco Bell recently teamed up with Grubhub to expand delivery.

Domino's Pizza Inc. says it tested the service last fall in Miami, where customers ordered outside hotels and the zoo. Dennis Maloney, the company's chief digital officer, wouldn't say how many deliveries were made during the test, but said it was enough to decide to roll it out nationwide.

Franchisees chose the hotspots, including local dog parks and airports. Drivers will pull up to the curb to meet customers, Domino's said, and people can tell the app what they're wearing so they're easier to spot.



CHARLES KRUPA/AP

Delivery is a key part of Domino's business.



DAVID BECKER/AP 2013

Shares of Allegiant Air's parent company fell \$4.65 following a "60 Minutes" report on safety concerns.

Allegiant shares fall after '60 Minutes' report

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Shares of Allegiant Air's parent company fell Monday after a news report that is raising serious safety questions about the low-cost carrier.

Allegiant is defending its safety and says the report by CBS News' "60 Minutes" tells a "false narrative" about the airline. Investors, however, fear that the negative publicity will cause travelers to avoid Allegiant, which has a fleet including many older planes that typi-

cally require more maintenance.

"60 Minutes" reported Sunday night that from January 2016 to October 2017, the Las Vegas-based airline experienced more than 100 serious mechanical incidents, including aborted takeoffs, loss of cabin pressure and emergency landings.

CBS said that detailed reports from the Federal Aviation Administration indicated that Allegiant flights were three-and-a-half times more likely to

suffer an in-flight breakdown than flights operated by American, United, Delta, JetBlue or Spirit.

The report also aired a long-running accusation by the Teamsters union local representing Allegiant pilots that the airline discourages pilots from reporting mechanical problems with planes.

Allegiant issued a statement by Eric Gust, vice president of operations, charging that the CBS story told a "false narrative" about Allegiant and the

FAA. He said the airline complies with all FAA requirements and takes part in many voluntary safety programs and is subject to "rigorous oversight" by the FAA.

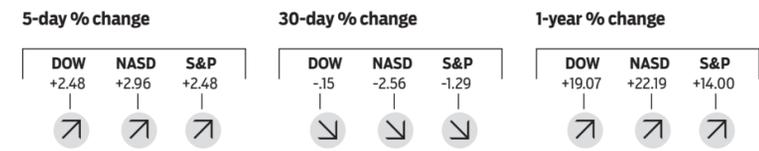
"To suggest that Allegiant would engage in the practice of asking team members to violate company and regulatory obligations is offensive and defamatory," Gust said.

Shares of parent company Allegiant Travel Co. fell \$4.65, or 3 percent, to \$146.40 in trading Monday.

MARKET ROUNDUP



Major market growth and decline



FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	466.50	470.25	461.50	462.25	-10.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	385	386.25	382	382.50	-3.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	1054.25	1058.75	1041.50	1042	-12.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 18	31.48	31.58	31.14	31.18	-.30
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 18	383.30	384.30	377.40	377.80	-5.00
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	May 18	67.24	67.74	66.13	66.22	-1.17
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	May 18	2.753	2.779	2.739	2.752	+0.017
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	May 18	2.0653	2.0688	2.0323	2.0399	-0.0255

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	59.27	+7.8	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	87.92	+2.2	McDonalds Corp	N	161.63	-1.0
AbbVie Inc	N	92.60	+7.7	Equity Residential	N	61.68	+0.3	Middleby Corp	O	123.58	+1.15
Allstate Corp	N	97.53	+1.17	Exelon Corp	N	38.59	+2.5	Mondelez Intl	O	42.23	+1.4
Aptargroup Inc	N	94.31	+1.56	First Indl RT	N	29.22	+3.1	Morningstar Inc	O	89.71	+1.23
Arch Dan Mid	N	66.29	+5.7	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	69.28	+8.3	Motorola Solutions	N	108.92	+1.23
Baxter Intl	N	331.77	+2.49	Gallagher AJ	N	284.12	+5.51	Navistar Intl	N	48.71	+3.65
Boeing Co	N	60.49	+3.1	GrubHub Inc	N	98.50	+5.9	NISource Inc	N	23.89	+3.34
Brunswick Corp	O	108.81	+4.6	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	87.06	+1.06	Nthn Trust Cp	O	104.89	+3.8
CBOE Global Markets	O	65.14	+8.5	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	87.06	+1.06	Old Republic	N	21.84	+3.8
CDW Corp	O	70.65	+1.06	IDEX Corp	N	142.49	+5.5	Packaging Corp Am	N	113.92	+3.8
CF Industries	N	38.45	+0.2	ITW	N	156.36	+1.34	Stericycle Inc	O	60.18	+1.19
CME Group	O	164.02	+6.0	Ingredion Inc	N	130.44	+1.79	TransUnion	N	58.68	-2.0
CNA Financial	N	49.49	+6.9	John Bean Technol	N	115.20	+2.05	USG Corp	N	41.02	+2.5
Caterpillar Inc	N	152.14	+1.91	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	173.12	+1.31	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	227.93	+7.05
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	37.21	+4.1	KapStone Paper	N	34.67	+0.1	United Contl Hldgs	N	67.31	+7.7
Deere Co	N	148.98	-1.00	Kraft Heinz Co	O	61.19	+2.7	Ventas Inc	N	48.68	+1.4
Discover Fin Svcs	N	71.56	+1.02	LKQ Corporation	O	38.62	+4.3	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	66.22	+2.40
Dover Corp	N	94.30	+4.4	Littelfuse Inc	O	203.91	-1.5	Wintrust Financial	O	89.14	+1.34
Equity Commonwhth	N	30.55	+2.1	MB Financial	O	42.19	+3.6	Zebra Tech	O	141.79	+5.5

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	29.93	+1.3
Gen Electric	13.33	-1.6
Bristl Myr Sqb	54.38	-4.57
Ford Motor	11.38	+1.0
Wells Fargo & Co	50.80	-0.9
Chesapk Engy	3.11	-0.3
Eldorado Gold Cp	.97	+0.3
Rite Aid Corp	1.71	+0.3
AT&T Inc	35.64	+5.0
Ambev S.A.	6.67	-0.8
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.65	+0.3
Merck & Co	58.65	+1.48
Transocean Ltd	11.82	+2.3
CVS Health Corp	66.10	+2.67
Citigroup	70.07	-0.94
Hewlett Pack Ent	17.56	+1.6
JPMorgan Chase & Co	110.21	-0.9
Penney JC Co Inc	3.14	+0.3
Infosys Ltd	16.99	+3.7
Pfizer Inc	36.53	+2.1
Kinder Morgan Inc	15.68	+3.5
Hanesbrands Inc	18.05	-0.8
Marathon Oil	18.19	+0.3
Kinross Gold	3.84	+0.2

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alphabet Inc C	1037.98	+8.71
Alphabet Inc A	1046.10	+10.06
Amazon.com Inc	1441.50	+10.71
Apple Inc	175.82	+1.09
Bank of America	29.93	+1.3
Berkshire Hath B	198.22	+1.22
Chevron Corp	120.70	+7.8
Exxon Mobil Corp	78.54	+7.0
Facebook Inc	164.83	+3.1
FstTr SenFITRincoll	13.34	+0.5
Intel Corp	52.40	+5.4
JPMorgan Chase	110.21	-0.9
Johnson & Johnson	131.76	+1.14
Mexico Fund	16.98	-0.6
Microsoft Corp	94.17	+1.09
Source Cap	40.37	+0.0
Unitedhealth Group	230.32	+6.04
WalMart Strs	86.84	+8.2
Wells Fargo & Co	50.80	-0.9

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	32.97	+1.9	+22.1
American Funds AmrcnBAlA m	27.03	+1.2	+11.2
American Funds CptWldGrInCA m	251.81	+1.0	+19.1
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	61.31	+1.7	+7.6
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	57.09	+0.1	+21.9
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	62.79	+3.7	+18.6
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	51.77	+3.6	+23.3
American Funds IncAmrcA m	23.03	+0.8	+9.4
American Funds InvCAMrcA m	40.28	+2.9	+14.8
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	44.68	+1.6	+22.6
American Funds WAMTInvSA m	45.65	+3.7	+11.9
DFA EMktCorEq	23.56	-0.2	+21.9
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.52	...	+1.7
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	46.07	+0.8	+14.9
Dodge & Cox Stk	200.56	+1.34	+15.1
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.47	...	+1.2
Fidelity 500IdxIns	93.61	+7.6	+17.2
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrrm	93.61	+7.6	+17.2
Fidelity 500IdxPrrm	93.61	+7.6	+17.2
Fidelity Contrafund	125.84	+6.8	+27.0
Fidelity ContrafundK	125.80	+6.8	+27.1
Fidelity InvMGradeBd	11.00	-0.1	+7
Fidelity LowPrStk	54.99	+4.2	+17.7
Franklin Templeton Inca m	2.31	+0.1	+4.3
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.43	...	+1
Oakmark IntlInv	28.42	-0.3	+19.6
PIMCO Inclnstl	12.16	...	+4.8
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.07	+0.1	+1.0
Schwab SP500Idx	41.48	+3.3	+17.2
T. Rowe Price BCGr	102.63	+8.7	+33.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	65.69	+4.9	+27.1
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	247.42	+1.99	+17.2
Vanguard DivGrInv	26.43	+2.8	+14.2
Vanguard HCAmrl	83.97	+3.1	+8.1
Vanguard InTRTEAdmrl	13.86	-0.1	+1.2
Vanguard InsIdxIns	244.20	+1.97	+17.2
Vanguard InsIdxInsPlus	244.21	+1.97	+17.2
Vanguard InsTtSMLInPls	59.58	+4.9	+17.3
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	98.99	+1.4	+31.8
Vanguard MDCpIdxAdmrl	192.66	+1.80	+25.1
Vanguard PrrmCpAdmrl	136.56	+9.1	+16.6
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.49	...	+3
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	71.54	+6.7	+16.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.43	+0.1	+10.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.54	+0.6	+11.6
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	33.76	+1.4	+12.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.79	+0.9	+14.2
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.49
Vanguard TtBMDIdxIns	10.49
Vanguard TtInBidxAdmrl	21.82	-0.1	+2.6
Vanguard TtInSidxAdmrl	30.68	+0.7	+19.3
Vanguard TtInSidxIns	122.67	+2.6	+19.3
Vanguard TtInSidxInsPlus	122.69	+2.6	+19.3
Vanguard TtInSidxInv	18.34	+0.4	+19.2
Vanguard TtISMLdxAdmrl	67.03	+5.5	+17.3
Vanguard TtISMLdxIns	67.04	+5.5	+17.3
Vanguard TtISMLdxInv	67.00	+5.5	+17.1
Vanguard WlngtnAdmrl	71.42	+2.9	+10.7
Vanguard WlsvIncAdmrl	63.69	+1.5	+5.7
Vanguard WndsrllAdmrl	66.56	+4.8	+12.5

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.76	1.72
6-month disc	1.945	1.89
2-year	2.38	2.36
10-year	2.83	2.83
30-year	3.02	3.03

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1347.50	\$1344.80
Silver	\$16.662	\$16.628
Platinum	\$925.70	\$927.30

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	4.75
Discount Rate Primary	2.25
Fed Funds Target	1.50-1.75
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.34

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys ...

Argentina (Peso)	20.2184
Australia (Dollar)	1.2852
Brazil (Real)	3.4201
Britain (Pound)	.6978
Canada (Dollar)	1.2566
China (Yuan)	6.2757
Euro	.8077
India (Rupee)	65.445
Israel (Shekel)	3.5243
Japan (Yen)	107.10
Mexico (Peso)	18.0052
Poland (Zloty)	3.36
So. Korea (Won)	1071.87
Taiwan (Dollar)	29.36
Thailand (Baht)	31.19

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	3110.65	-48.4/-1.5
Stoxx600	377.74	-1.5/-4
Nikkei	21835.53	+56.8/+3
MSCI-EAFE	2043.88	+5/+0.4
Bovespa	82861.57	-1472.9/-1.8
FTSE 100	7198.20	-66.4/-9
CAC-40	5312.96	-2.1/-0

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OBITUARIES

HARRY ANDERSON 1952-2018

Actor/magician starred in 'Night Court,' 'Dave's World'

By TOM FOREMAN JR.
Associated Press

Harry Anderson, the actor best known for playing an off-the-wall judge working the night shift of a Manhattan court room in the television comedy series "Night Court," was found dead in his North Carolina home Monday.

Anderson was 65. A statement from the Asheville Police Department said officers responded to a call from Anderson's home early Monday and found him dead. The statement said foul play is not suspected.

On "Night Court," Anderson played Judge Harry T. Stone, a young jurist who professed his love for singer Mel Torme, actress Jean Harlow, magic tricks and his collection of art-deco ties.

He also starred in the series "Dave's World" and appeared on "Cheers" as con man Harry "The Hat" Gittes.

Anderson prided himself on being a magician as well as an actor.

"I got into magic when I was a child," he told The Associated Press in 1987. "Unlike most kids, I stayed with it. My high school teachers were always asking me what I was going to do. It made me what I am today — available for week-end employment, parties and bar mitzvahs."

Anderson, was born in Newport, R.I., on Oct. 14, 1952. He grew up in New York and moved to Oregon as a teenager and said that's where he became a hippie.

"The Shakespeare Festival at Ashland, Ore., seemed like a good place to open a magic store," he said. "At 18, I was ready for retirement. It didn't last long, but I was established as the magician. I worked the streets in San Francisco and I did magic and special effects at the festival."

Anderson learned the ropes as a street performer in San Francisco, New Orle-



RICHARD DREW/AP 1988

Harry Anderson started out as a street performer in San Francisco, New Orleans, Austin, Texas, and other cities.

ans and Austin, Texas, among other cities. When he made his first appearance on "Saturday Night Live," he was right off the street.

"Cheers" was my first acting job, but it was basically the character I had developed on the street," he said. "That's How I made my living, hustling drinks in bars and quarters on the street."

"Night Court" ran on NBC from 1984 until 1992, and Anderson received three lead comedy actor Emmy nominations for his role. After the show ended, he was cast in the lead role in the CBS sitcom "Dave's World," based on the life of Pulitzer Prize-winning humor columnist Dave Barry. That series ran from 1993 until 1997.

A People magazine story in 2002 said Anderson disappeared from Hollywood and resurfaced as the owner

of a New Orleans magic shop.

"I am richer than Davy Crockett," Anderson said in the story. "I can settle back and do what I want to do. And what I want to do is card tricks and magic."

According to the story, Anderson was disenchanted by the prospect of chasing acting roles into middle age. "I don't understand why guys have that Don Knotts syndrome of having to be out there." He sold his home in Pasadena, Calif., and moved back to New Orleans, where he had lived in the 1970s.

Following the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, he moved to Asheville.

Anderson had two children from his first marriage to Leslie Pollack. His second wife, Elizabeth Morgan, is among his survivors. There was no immediate word on funeral arrangements Monday night.

In 1970 the astronauts of Apollo 13 splashed down safely in the Pacific, four days after a ruptured oxygen tank crippled their spacecraft.

In 1975 Phnom Penh fell to communist Khmer Rouge insurgents, ending Cambodia's five-year war.

In 1982 Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed a new constitution for Canada, giving that nation independence from Britain.

In 1983 Polish police in Warsaw routed 1,000 Solidarity supporters participating in an unofficial ceremony marking the 40th anniversary of the Warsaw ghetto uprising.

In 1991 the Dow Jones industrial average closed above 3,000 for the first time.

In 1993 a federal jury in Los Angeles convicted two former police officers of violating the civil rights of beaten motorist Rodney King. Two other officers were acquitted.

In 1996 Lyle and Erik Menendez were spared the death penalty by a Los

Angeles jury, which recommended they serve life in prison without parole for killing their wealthy parents.

In 1998 Linda McCartney, wife of musician Paul McCartney, died in Tucson, Ariz.; she was 56.

In 2002 a federal judge ruled the Justice Department couldn't interfere with Oregon's assisted-suicide law. (The law was ultimately upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.)

In 2006 former Gov. George Ryan was convicted of corruption.

In 2013 an explosion at a fertilizer plant in West, Texas, killed at least 15 people, injured more than 150 others and damaged or destroyed hundreds of buildings.

In 2015 Cardinal Francis George, the first Chicago native to serve as the local archbishop and a man who became the intellectual leader of the American church, died in Chicago after a yearslong struggle with cancer; he was 78.

Chicago Tribune Death Notices
Chicago Tribune extends our condolences to the families and loved ones of those who have passed.
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Death Notices

Becker, Deborah Z.

Deborah Z. Becker, age 62. Beloved daughter of Roslyn Alexander Grodzin and Sam Grodzin. Loving mother of Neil (Sara), Isaac (Ariel) and Noah. Faithful companion of Paul Gallender. Devoted sister of Tina (Walter) Bloomenthal and Mark (Joan) Zimmert. Proud grandmother of Phoebe Rose. Funeral Wednesday 2PM at Anshe Emet Synagogue, 3751 N. Broadway, Chicago, 60613. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Moms Demand Action Gun Control, www.momsdemandaction.org or Nuclear Energy Information Service, www.neis.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com



CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries**Boyle, Peggy Roche**

Peggy Roche Boyle, age 73, passed away suddenly, Resident of Brookfield for over 40 years, owner Roche Tours where she worked as a travel agent and tour guide; lover of Irish music, dance and travel; beloved wife of James; loving mother of Meghan (Marcus) Larson, Kathleen (Jim) Farnan, Siobhan (Tom) Luedtke, Seamus (Beth) and Patrick "Packy" (Amy) Boyle; proud grandmother of Fiona, Grace, Ethan and Niamh Larson, Quinn Winters, James and Nellie Farnan, Caoimhe and Rowan Luedtke, Maeve, Rosemary and Shea Boyle and Jack, Hannah and Ella Boyle; dear sister of Kathleen (the late Tom) McDonnell, Mary Pat (Tony) Kulak, Patrick (Jan) Roche, Collette (Tom) McGrath, Kevin (Joanne) Roche, Michael (Suzanne) Roche and the late John (Liane) Roche; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday, 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at **Gibbons Funeral Home**, 134 South York Road, (1/2 mile North of Saint Charles Road), Elmhurst. Friends and family will meet Friday for Visitation 9:45 a.m. until time of Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 a.m. at Saint Louise de Marillac Catholic Church, 30th and Raymond, LaGrange Park. Committal service Queen of Heaven Catholic Cemetery, Hillside. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made the American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22202 or The Scottish Home, 2748 Des Plaines Ave, North Riverside, IL 60546. For funeral information please call 630-832-0018 or www.gibbonsfuneralhome.com

Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries**Caira, Franck**

Frank Caira, 83; Devoted husband of Josephine nee Loizzo; Beloved father of Tony, Chris (JoAnn) and the late Frank J. (Janine); Loving grandfather of Frank Joseph III, Peter Raymond, Christopher, Jr. and Grace; Dear brother of Rose (the late Gene) Aiello, Gino (Kathy) Caira, Vicki (the late Paul) Grimstad; Fond uncle of many. Founder and proprietor of Caira Super Service in Elmwood Park since 1962. Visitation Thursday April 19th from 2:00 - 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral service begins Friday at 10:00 a.m. from the funeral home proceeding to St. Eugene Church for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Interment private. Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com

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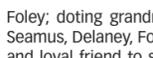
Fredrick "Fred" J. Cook, age 88, passed away on April 15, 2018. Funeral arrangements entrusted to **Modell Funeral Home**. For complete obituary information please visit www.modelldarien.com.
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Coyne, Martin

Martin Coyne, from Partry, Co. Mayo, Ireland, passed away at the age of 71, surrounded in love with his family on Friday, April 13, 2018. Martin is survived by his wife, Attracta Rose Coyne (née O'Hara); his children, AnnMarie (Bill) Gleason, Martin Coyne Jr, and Mary (Duane) Maxey; his four adorable grandchildren: Margaret, Aidan, Caitlin, and Adalyn; his siblings, Maureen McLaughlin, Anne (late John) McGarry, Noreen (Martin) Woulfe, Kathleen (Eddie) O'Sullivan, Delia (Chris) McGarry, and Josie (Brendan) Quigley; fond uncle to many nieces and nephews both here and in Ireland. He is preceded in death by his parents, Martin and Mary Coyne; his brothers William Coyne and Michael (Nora) Coyne. Visitation Wednesday, April 18th from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Thursday, April 19th 10:00 a.m. from **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th St. Chicago Ridge to Incarnation Catholic Church, 5757 W. 127th Street, Palos Heights. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks to donate to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (www.pancreatic.org) would be appreciated. For funeral info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Patricia "Pat" Ellen Foley Devine, age 71; passed away peacefully at home, with family at her side after a courageous battle with brain cancer. Loving wife of many years to the late Richard John Devine; devoted mother to Daniel Morgan (Kathleen), Brendan John (Anna) Devine, and the late James Patrick Devine; baby sister to Alice, Norine, and Mary Ann (Walsh) Foley; dotting grandmother "Ma" to Quinn, Ronan, Seamus, Delaney, Foley, and Danney Maeve Devine; and loyal friend to so many South Siders, St. Louis Billikens, teachers, parishioners of Notre Dame, Old St. Patrick's Church, Benet Academy Community, SASED, and Lake Hinsdale Village. Pat was the epitome of a servant leader, devoting her life to teach those with special needs in Chicago and especially at schools near her home, the Village of Clarendon Hills. She also enjoyed helping the Notre Dame Food Pantry, attending weekly bible study, and adventures with her grandchildren. Pat's strong faith has comforted her and family, as we celebrate her mom reuniting with her son, Jimmy. Visitation Thursday 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Funeral Friday 9:45 AM from Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 South Grant St. Hinsdale to Notre Dame Church, 64 Norfolk, Clarendon Hills. Mass 10:30 AM. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation www.cff.org or the Notre Dame Parish Food Pantry are appreciated. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomeshinsdale.com

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Loretta Draxlir, (nee Cesario), age 84 of Cicero. Beloved wife of the late Edward; loving mother of Barbara and the late Jessica; dearest aunt of many nieces and nephews. Funeral Mass Wednesday April 18, 2018 at 11 A.M. at St. Frances of Rome Church 15th & 59th Ct., Cicero. Visitation at the church from 10 A.M. till time of Mass. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to **Anthony P. Cappetta Funeral Services**. Info 630-707-0130 or www.anthonycappettafuneralservice.com
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Erickson-Leonardo, Cheryl A.

Cheryl A. Erickson-Leonardo, 62, of Grant Park, IL, died on Saturday, April 14, 2018, at her residence. Memorial visitation will be held from 5 until 7pm memorial service on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at the **Cotter Funeral Home** in Mokenca, IL. Please sign her guestbook at www.cotterfh.com.
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Fehrenbacher, Dr. George T.

George T. Fehrenbacher, DDS, age 91, of Joliet, Saturday, April 14, 2018. Graduate of Loyola School of Dentistry. Father of Sarah Fehrenbacher, Nancy (Bill) Fitzgerald, Julie Fehrenbacher, and Laura (Christopher "Kit") Kreid; grandfather of Emily and Christopher Kreid; brother of JoAnn (Tom) Sprague, Marian (Dick) Leaman, and Jane (Dick Talbot) Fehrenbacher. For arrangements and to read his complete obituary, visit his Memorial Tribute at www.fredcdames.com

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GUS J. FICKTEMAN, age 91, April 15, 2018. Beloved son of the late Gus and late Bessie; loving brother of the late Dorothy, Kathryn and Ken; dear uncle, friend and neighbor to many. Funeral Wed. 11a.m. at **Kenny Bros. Funeral Directors**, 3600 W. 95th Street; Evergreen Park, Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Weds. 9-11a.m. (708) 425-4500 or www.kennybrothersfuneral.com
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Hellmann Jr., George C.

Age 95, a resident of Orland Park, IL, passed away on Thursday, April 12, 2018. Beloved husband of the late Mary Hellmann (Fimek); loving father of Lynn Flynn, Kathy (Jeffery) Schwartz, and Beverly Contorio; dear brother of Marian (late Joseph) Panny; cherished grandfather of Kristin, Becky, Julie, Joel, Katie, Mark, and Timmy; and great-grandfather of Maddy and Brody. George was a United States World War II Army Veteran and member of St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Parish in Orland Park. The family will receive friends at Kurtz Memorial Chapel, 65 Old Frankfort Way, Frankfort, IL 60423 on Sunday, April 22, 2018 from 2-7 PM. Memorial Mass on Monday, April 23, 2018 at St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Parish, 15050 Wolf Road, Orland Park, IL 60467 at 10:00 AM. Interment with full military honors at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. Info www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com or 815-806-2225.
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Kapelak, Elizabeth

Elizabeth Kapelak, nee Bruszewski; age 93, beloved wife of 63 years to the late Florian G. Kapelak; loving mother of Susan (the late Robert) Malmi and Janice (Paul) Mylander; cherished grandmother of Eric and Nicholas Malmi; dear sister of the late Chester (the late Mary) Bruszewski and the late Margaret (the late Harry) Cieslak; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Lying in State, Wednesday, 10 a.m. until time of Mass 11 a.m. at St. Monica Church 5136 N. Nottingham Ave., Chicago. Interment Private. Please omit flowers. For info, **Kolbus-May Funeral Home** at 773-774-3232 or www.kolbusmayfh.com

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Ronald J. Koziol "Capt. Ron" age 73, U.S. Army veteran; beloved husband of Christine, nee Kalush; fond brother-in-law of John (Margaret) Kalush; dear uncle of John (Nancy) and Kurt (Beth) Kalush; also survived by many loving cousins and many loving godchildren and Ivan. Visitation Wed. Apr. 18, 2018, 3-9 PM with a funeral service at 6:15 PM at **Matz Funeral Home**, 410 E. Rand Rd. Mt. Prospect. Interment private.. Member of American Legion Post 911. Past Commodore of Abbey Yacht Club. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Camp One Step at a Time, Children's Oncology Services, 213 W. Institute Place, Suite 306, Chicago, IL 60610, or the Order of Servants of Mary, St. Peregrine Ministry, 1439 S. Harlem Ave, Berwyn, IL 60402 appreciated. 847/394-2336.
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Martini, Marguerite T.

Marguerite T. Martini, nee Maggio, of Hillside, beloved wife of Robert for almost 62 years; loving mother of Norine (Ken) Wiebmer, Marguerite (Bruce Thomas), Vincent (Jacqueline), Joanne (fiance Charlie Cross), Richard (Noelle) and the late Robert A. (Lynn) Martini; dear grandmother of 15; fond sister of Frank and the late Carl Maggio. Past President of A.C.C.W. and Senior Independent Beauty Consultant for Mary Kay Cosmetics. Visitation Friday 3:00 - 9:00 pm at **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**, SW corner of Mannheim & Roosevelt Roads, Hillside/Westchester. Prayers Saturday 9:00 am from the funeral home to St. Domitilla Church, Hillside. Mass 10:00 am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Alzheimer's Association. Funeral info 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.

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ON APRIL 17 ...

In 1790 Benjamin Franklin died in Philadelphia; he was 84.

In 1861 the Virginia State Convention voted to secede from the Union.

In 1897 novelist and playwright Thornton Wilder was born in Madison, Wis.

In 1941 Yugoslavia surrendered to Germany in World War II.

In 1961 about 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in an unsuccessful attempt to overthrow Fidel Castro.

In 1964 Ford Motor Co. introduced the Mustang. **Also in 1964** Jerrie Mock of Columbus, Ohio, became the first female pilot to make a solo flight around the world.

In 1969 Sirhan Sirhan was convicted of first-degree murder in the assassination of Sen. Robert Kennedy (D-N.Y.). **Also in 1969** Czechoslovak Communist Party Chairman Alexander Dubcek was deposed.

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April 16	
Lotto	15 17 21 49 50 51 / 11
Lotto jackpot: \$10.75M	
Pick 3 midday	853 / 7
Pick 4 midday	2436 / 1
Lucky Day Lotto midday	18 19 21 42 44
Pick 3 evening	469 / 1
Pick 4 evening	2215 / 2
Lucky Day Lotto evening	13 28 35 38 42
April 17 Mega Millions: \$67M	
April 18 Powerball: \$122M	

WISCONSIN	
April 16	
Pick 3	732
Pick 4	8662
Badger 5	09 17 21 26 28
SuperCash	02 05 11 13 34 38

INDIANA	
April 16	
Daily 3 midday	766 / 8
Daily 4 midday	0484 / 8
Daily 3 evening	122 / 8
Daily 4 evening	7525 / 8
Cash 5	19 21 34 36 41

MICHIGAN	
April 16	
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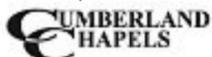
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Metro, Frances 'Mother Extraordinaire'

Frances Teresa Metro (aka Fran), 91, lifelong resident of Chicago, passed away on April 15, 2018. She was born February 12, 1927 in Chicago to the late Gaspare Ponzo and Caterina Cangemi, both Sicilian immigrants. In 1943, Fran graduated high school from Angel Guardians Orphanage, where she grew up with her brother and sister through the great depression and World War II. She was an active person with a love of sports, music, and dance. Fran was a career waitress, avid bingo and slots player, and card shark, and possessed a wicked sense of humor. A self-taught cook, painter and pianist, Fran was short on words, but long on love and creativity. She was completely dedicated to her family with infinite love for her husband, children, and grandchildren. Known as 'my favorite aunt' to many nieces and nephews, she made Monday nights famous for family dinners and pasta. Over her 90+ years, she saw much and lived a rich life. Fran was wife to the late Raymond J. Metro (1925-2008) for 51 years, raising 3 children in Chicago. Fran is survived by her sons Gregory Metro (Kathleen Metro), Joseph Metro (Tony DeYoung), and Steve Metro (Laura Ruby); her 4 grandchildren Melissa Metro (Jason Poleon), Jessica Metro, Matthew Metro, and Stephanie Metro. She is also survived by her brother Vic Ponzo (Glee Ponzo) and in memory of her late sister Toni Jones (Guy Jones). Visitation will be held on Wednesday April 18 from 3pm to 8pm at **Cumberland Chapels** funeral home, 8300 Lawrence Ave, Norridge, IL 60706. There will be a short service on Thursday April 19 at 10:30am starting at **Cumberland Chapels** and proceeding to St. Adalbert Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in her name to the Chicago Food Depository <https://www.chicagosfoodbank.org> to help feed the hungry. Info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.



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Radavich, Meghan K.

Meghan K. Radavich, nee Sears, age 37. Visit colonialchapel.com for complete service information.



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Ryan, Raymond "Jerry"

Raymond "Jerry" Ryan, of LaGrange Park, a history teacher who brought the world into his classroom, and a husband, father, and grandfather who loved quietly but completely, died Sunday after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease. He was 79 and left us almost exactly 8 months after the death of his wife, Nancy (Simon) Ryan. Mr. Ryan had initially set out on a very different path: At age 14, he took a first step to joining the De La Salle Christian Brothers, a religious order dedicated to teaching the poor. He took the name Brother Cormac, and fate in 1965 put him on Chicago's Southwest side at St. Paul High School, where he met a pretty young nun who would become his wife. They accidentally fell in love, and love can change everything. Brother Cormac left for a posting in Kenya, but an 8,000-mile romance played out via letter. "I wish you could see the Kenyan stars with me," Mr. Ryan wrote in November 1970 from Nyeri. "They are nothing without you!"

His studies took him traveling from the Kremlin to the Pyramids, but it was that love that changed Brother Cormac's world. The couple married and had four children: Elizabeth A. Labrador of LaGrange; Joseph R. Ryan, of The Bronx; Andrew C. Ryan of Boston; and William J. Ryan of Queens. Mr. Ryan was a man of habit and discipline whose nickname was the "Sarge," at Chicago's Saint Patrick High School, where he taught for more than 40 years and coached volleyball and chess. Born on Chicago's north side on November 4, 1938, Mr. Ryan was the third of four children. His father, Raymond J. Ryan, worked as an engineer at a pumping station for the city water department. His mother, Adele (McGrath) Ryan, raised the family. Although not a natural student, Mr. Ryan applied himself with a rigid discipline. At St. Mary's College in Winona, Minn., he earned a Bachelor's degree (1961) and Master's of education (1966). He won a Fulbright to study in Ethiopia (1965) and his graduate work took him to the Soviet Union (1967). That discipline came to define his life. He woke at 4:45 a.m. to beat the traffic for his drive to school. At home, he corrected his students daily quizzes, often based on required reading in Newsweek magazine. He relaxed in a recliner with a hefty presidential biography or other door-stop-worthy nonfiction tome. He was partial to pretzels, root beer, the sitcoms Barney Miller and Cheers, PBS Newshour, Chicago Bears, and Masses with short homilies.

Mr. Ryan is also survived by his son-in-law Robert Labrador; daughters-in-law Brenna Fitzgerald; Jennifer Peter; and Clare Ryan; and eight grandchildren: Owen, Helen, and Nancy Labrador; Jack and Liam Ryan; Clara and Cormac Ryan; and Frances Ryan; and his sister, Mary (Ryan) Reckamp. Visitation 4 to 8pm Wednesday at Hollowell & James in Countryside. Funeral Mass 10am Thursday at St. Francis Xavier in LaGrange. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Lasallian Volunteers: lasallianvolunteers.org.

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Verbraeken, Ardell C.

Ardell C. Verbraeken, Nee Koelper; Beloved wife of the late Lawrence Verbraeken; Devoted mother of Sandra (Craig) Lukes; Cherished grandmother of Cassandra (Jim) Maloney and Derrick (Linda) Lukes; and Loving great grandmother of Lauren, Rachel & Talia; Dearest sister of the late Rosemary (Albert) Hasselman. Ardell's greatest love was her family and friends. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. She will be missed by all who knew her. Funeral Wednesday, April 18th, family and friends are asked to gather 9:00 A.M. at Salerno's Rosedale Chapel, 450 W. Lake Street, Roselle, IL 60172 (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale/Roselle Rd.) Funeral Service will begin at 11:00 a.m. Interment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery. For information call (630) 889-1700. In lieu of flowers the family kindly asks that you make a donation to the Alzheimer's Association at <http://www.alz.org/>

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Wachowe, Zita

Zita Wachowe, of Glenview, at rest April 14, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Anton Wachowe. Loving mother of Rita (Allan) Kauras. Dear grandmother of Eric Allan (Elisabeth Westfall) Kauras. Proud great grandmother of Weston Eric Kauras. Fond aunt of Helga Nothum Walter and great aunt of Igrid and Rita Walter. Visitation Wednesday from 10 a.m. until time of funeral mass 11 a.m. at St. Catherine Laboure Church, 3535 Thornwood, Glenview. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Foundation, 225 East Chicago Avenue, Box 4 - Chicago, IL 60611-2991. Funeral information 847-998-1020.



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Webb, Betty Jane

Betty Jane C. Webb, age 88, of Waupaca, WI, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at Park Vista - The Legacy, with her friends by her side. She was born May 5, 1929 in Chicago, IL; daughter of Stephen and Mary (Warchola) Boverly. BJ married Joe H. Webb in Chicago, and together they shared many memorial years of marriage before his passing on February 5, 1994. BJ was a member of Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Palos Park, IL where she was affiliated with the Sisterhood of St. Anne parish ministry. She will be dearly missed by her loving friends and extended family. A Funeral Liturgy will be on Friday, April 20, 2018 at 10:00 AM at Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 8410 W. 131st Street, Palos Park, IL 60464. Father Peter Levko officiating. A visitation will be held from 9:00 - 10:00 AM at the church. Burial will be at Mount Auburn Cemetery in Stickney, IL following the services on Friday. The Holly Funeral Home of Waupaca, WI and the Richard-Midway Funeral Home of Chicago, IL is assisting the family with arrangements.

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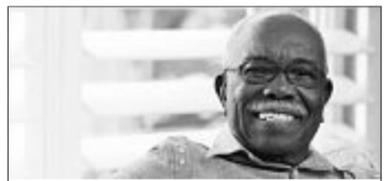


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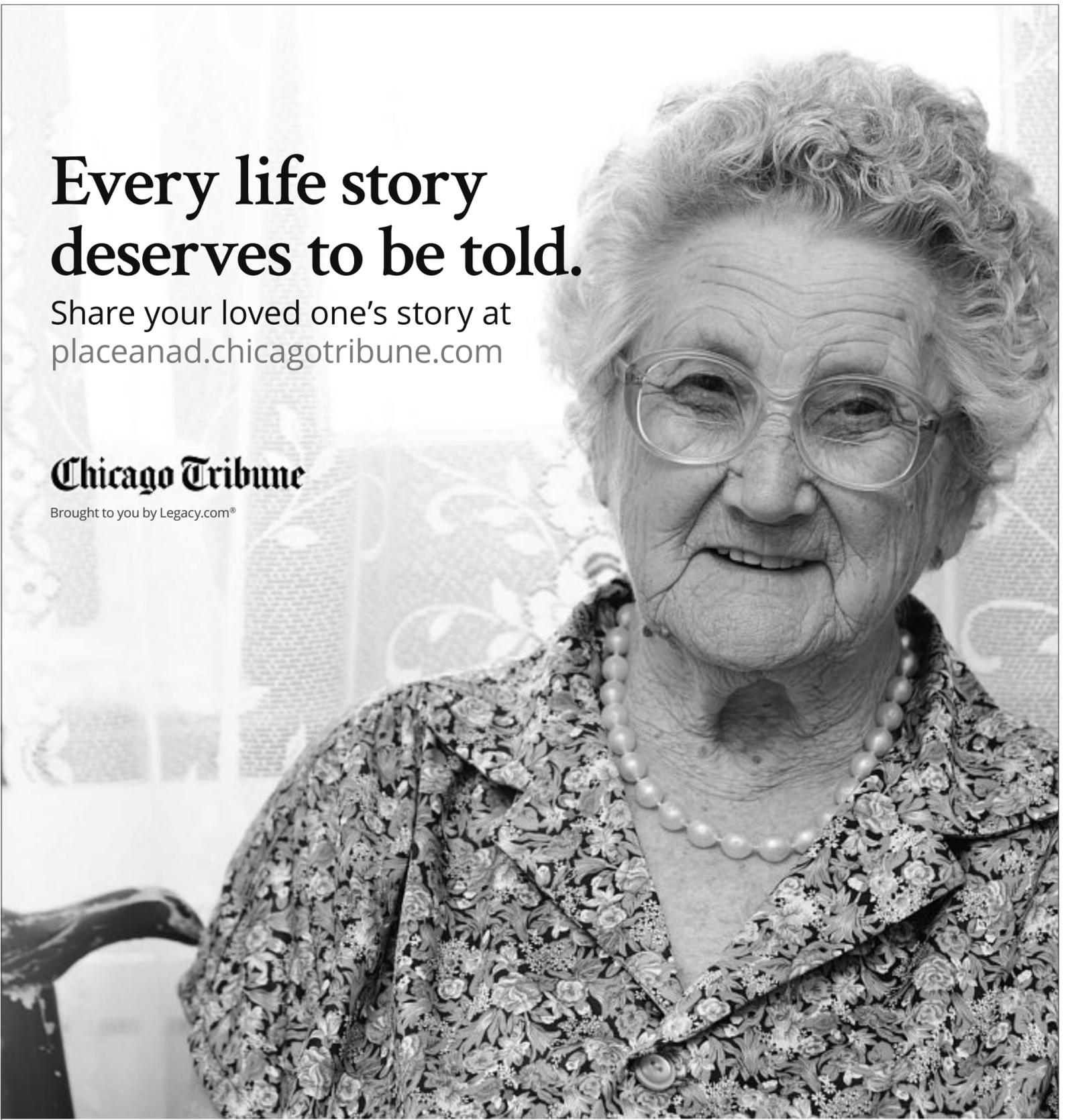
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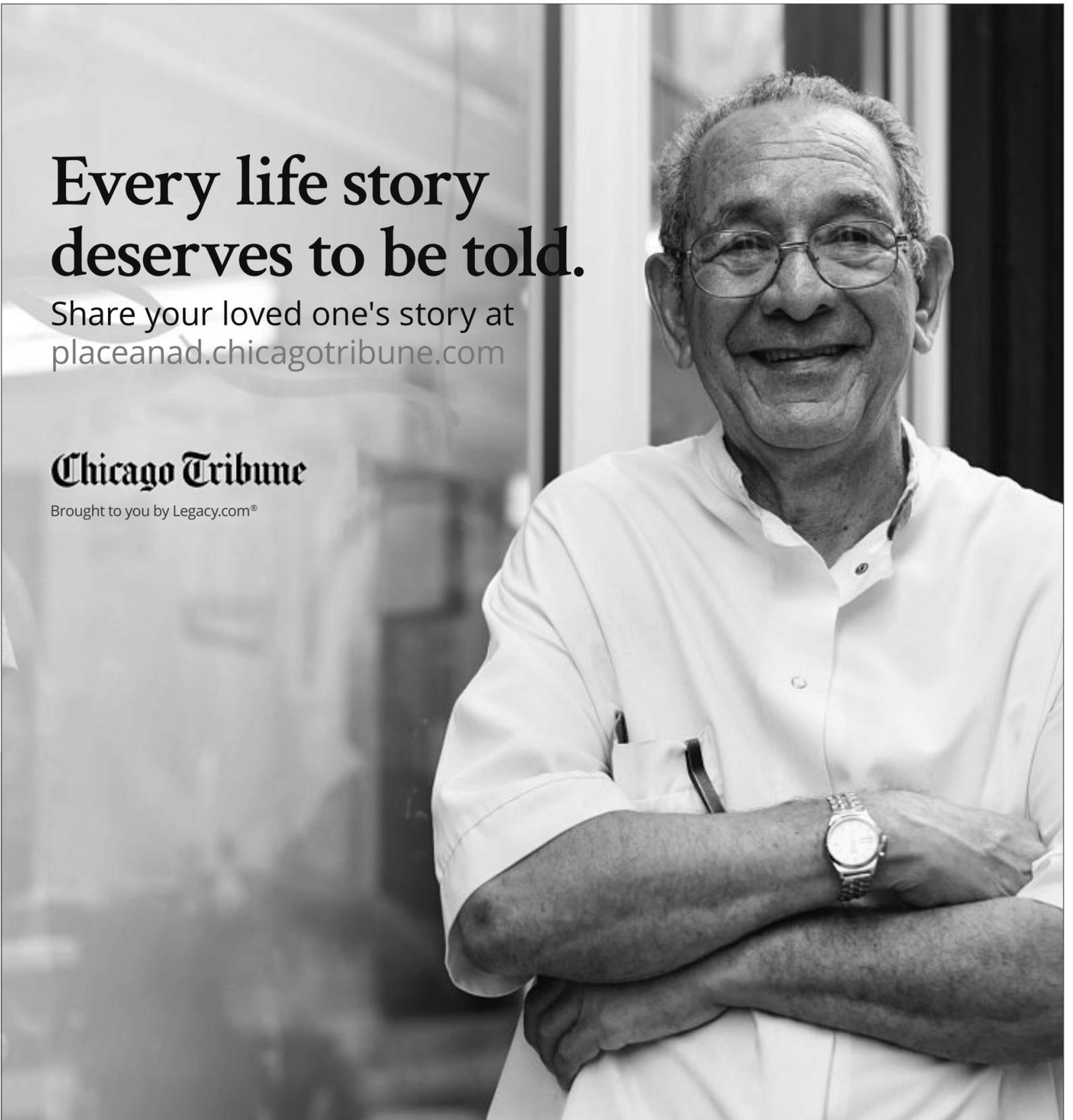


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DISCLAIMER OF DEBTS

PUBLIC NOTICE On March 22, 2018, an application was filed seeking FCC consent to the transfer of control of the licenses for the following radio broadcast stations from the Current Shareholders of Cumulus Media Inc. to the Shareholders of Cumulus Media Inc. (as Reorganized): WLS-AM 890, Chicago IL and WLS-FM 94.7, Chicago, IL

The officers, directors and parties holding an attributable interest in the transferring prior to the transfer of control are John F. Abbot, Ian Baker, Mary G. Berner, Jill Bright, Richard S. Denning, John W. Dickey, Lewis W. Dickey, Jr., Ralph B. Everett, Suzanne M. Grimes, Jeffrey A. Marcus, Todd McCarty, Ross A. Oliver, Suzanne G. Smith, Radio License Holdings LLC, Cumulus Intermediate Holdings Inc., Cumulus Media Holdings Inc., Cumulus Media Inc., and Crestview Radio Investors, LLC.

Crestview Radio Investors, LLC is controlled by Crestview Partners II, L.P., Crestview Partners II GP, L.P., and Crestview, L.L.C. Parties with attributable ownership interests in those controlling entities are Jeffrey A. Marcus, Barry S. Volpert, Thomas S. Murphy, Jr., Richard M. DeMartini, Robert V. Delaney, Evelyn C. Pellicone, Ross A. Oliver, Brian Cassidy, Quentin Chu, Robert J. Hurst, and various trusts and other entities formed by these members.

The executive officers, directors and attributable interest holders of reorganized Cumulus Media Inc. will be Mary G. Berner, Andrew W. Hobson, Brian G. Kushner, John H. Gillman, Thomas H. Castro, Matthew C. Blank, David M. Baum, John F. Abbot, Richard S. Denning, Suzanne M. Grimes, Todd McCarty, Suzanne G. Smith, Radio License Holdings LLC, Cumulus Network Holdings LLC, Cumulus Intermediate Holdings LLC, Cumulus Media Holdings Inc., Intermediate Co., and SP Signal, LLC. SP Signal, LLC's sole attributable interest holder is SP Signal Manager, LLC. SP Signal Manager, LLC's sole attributable interest holder is Edward A. Mule.

A copy of the application is available at www.fcc.gov.

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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Athena Belcastro AKA Althena Belcastro

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Nicole Belcastro (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 14JA01270 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Graham Curtis Reynolds (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on January 4, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXK in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Richard Stevens in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 05/01/2018, at 11:00 AM in CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS April 17, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Darnelle B Flowers

A MINOR NO. 2018JD00508 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Deon Taylor (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on March 27, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXK, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Cynthia Ramirez in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/30/2018 at 9:00 AM in CALENDAR 52 COURTROOM 2,

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 April 17, 2018

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: P. Berlinsky, A. Gercaris, M. Long 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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Jyquwon McClellan

A MINOR NO. 2018JD00228 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Eric McClellan (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on February 8, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXK, 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 04/30/2018 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 April 11, 2018

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: M. Patton, R. Wiggers 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 NOTICE

NOTICE OF TRANSMITTAL FOR THE FOLLOWING TOWNSHIPS FROM THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW BACK TO THE COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR FOR THE TAX YEAR 2017:

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 12-50 of the Illinois Property Tax Code Section (35 ILCS 200/12-50), the Board of Review of Cook County has, on this date April 13, 2018, in accordance with Section 16-125 of the Illinois Property Tax Code Section (35 ILCS 200/16-125) transmitted back to the Assessor of Cook County its final action on the following townships in Cook County for the tax year of 2017:

ORLAND, PROVISO, JEFFERSON.

Dated at Chicago, Illinois by the Cook County Board of Review Room 601, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, April 13, 2018.

MICHAEL M. CABONARGI COMMISSIONER

DAN PATLAK COMMISSIONER

LARRY R. ROGERS, JR. COMMISSIONER

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Ryan Kurk Nathaniel Kurk Joshua Kurk Althna Kurk

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Julia Rizzio (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 17JA00862 17JA00863 17JA00864 17JA00865 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Joseph Kurk (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 29, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXK in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 05/01/2018, at 1:30 PM in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, 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, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS April 17, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

TO: Chicago Title and Trust Company; Supreme Finance Corporation; Principal Services Trust Company f/k/a The Chicago Trust Company; Stephen A. Parris; Manchester Apt; Robert Parris; Kathleen D. Parris; R.N. Parris; Occupant, 1430 Simpson St., Evanston, IL 60202; Occupant, vacant land commonly known as 2022 Jackson Ave., Evanston, IL; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD001413. FILED: 2/2/2018. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 7/13/2017. Certificate No. 175-0002187. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2018 thru 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at vacant land commonly known as 2022 Jackson Ave., Evanston, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 10-13-203-021-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/19/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/19/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 7/23/2018. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/19/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. City of Evanston, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: April 12, 2018. Pub: 4/16, 17, 18/2018 5562528

TAKE NOTICES

TO: Chicago Title and Trust Company; Supreme Finance Corporation; Principal Services Trust Company f/k/a The Chicago Trust Company; Stephen A. Parris; Manchester Apt; Robert Parris; Kathleen D. Parris; R.N. Parris; Occupant, 1430 Simpson St., Evanston, IL 60202; Occupant, vacant land commonly known as 1810 Grove St., Evanston, IL; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD001413. FILED: 2/2/2018. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 7/13/2017. Certificate No. 175-0002187, 175-0002188, & 175-0002189. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2018 thru 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at vacant land commonly known as 1810 Grove St., Evanston, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 10-13-406-018-0000, 10-13-407-015-0000 & 10-13-413-011-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/19/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/19/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 7/23/2018. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/19/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. City of Evanston, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: April 12, 2018. Pub: 4/16, 17, 18/2018 5562528

TO: Stephen A. Parris; Manchester Realty, R.N. Parris; Kathleen D. Parris; Illinois Dept. of Labor; Robert Parris; Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General, Occupant, 1430 Simpson St., Evanston, IL 60202; Occupant, vacant land commonly known as 2022 Jackson Ave., Evanston, IL; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD001413. FILED: 2/2/2018. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 7/13/2017. Certificate No. 175-0002187, 175-0002188, & 175-0002189. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 and prior taxes for the year 2012 2nd inst. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 2133 W HOWARD ST., UNIT # P-2 CHICAGO, IL 60645 Legal Description or Property Index No. 11-30-308-027-1018 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5554746

TO: OCCUPANT; ESTHER REITER; HELEN JACKOWIAK; City of Chicago; UNKNOWN HEIRS DEVISEES AND/OR LEGATEES OF MARIE REICHERT; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002234 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0015123 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 and prior taxes for the year 2012 2nd inst. & 2009 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 4129 W POTOMAC AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60651 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-02-230-013-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5554741

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TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; RONALD DATES; MICHAEL DATES; ROBERT DATES...

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TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; NELLIE COX; City of Chicago; Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services...

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TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; OCCUPANT, UNIT 4; CHILD LINK INC.; DAHOMEY AND ASSOCIATES...

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TO: OCCUPANT; OIKOS INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC ; JOHN PARRISH; URBAN RENEWAL GROUP, LLC...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; OCCUPANT, UNIT 4; BYRAN STEWART; LEONARD STEWART; BESSIE PETERS...

TO: OCCUPANT; LYNN LILLIE; GEORGIA M COLLINS REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, BY DECLARATION IN TRUST DATED MAY 16, 2007...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; MELISSA ATKINS; CHARLES BOLDEN; City of Chicago; JOE BOLDEN; UNKNOWN HEIRS...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; DIANE GOTTLEBE; City of Chicago; 21 EAST CHESTNUT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION...

TO: OCCUPANT; WEI WEN CHEN; City of Chicago; WEI WEN CHEN; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED...

TO: OCCUPANT; MARIA PALLCHIZACA; OCCUPANT DUCHICA; OCCUPANT PAUCAR; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; ANNIE GORDON; HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE DEUTSCHE ALTA SECURITIES MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST...

TO: OCCUPANT; YASMEEN BHATTY; JAMIE BHATTY; JOHN BHATTY; JOSEPH BHATTY; KATHLEEN MEERSMA; JAMES SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR MOHAMMAD BHATTY...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; OCCUPANT, UNIT 4; JOHN HOPKINS; JAY VAN RUSSELL; STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE CO., AS SURETY...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; LAWNDALE REAL ESTATE LLC; City of Chicago; JOHANN VAHSS; MAX DEPOND; FRANK DIZ; ALEX PIGNO; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; ALEX PRIETO; City of Chicago; STEPHANIE FORT; ARTHUR MONROE; FOR IRWIN PARKER; MARY PAUL; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; DONALD HOSTETLER; SHEILA HOSTETLER; City of Chicago; Illinois Department of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General; ANGELICA BURGOS; JOCELYN BURGOS...

TO: OCCUPANT; FELICIA JONES; FELICIA JONES; City of Chicago; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002211 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0011675 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 4418 W CONGRESS PKY, CHICAGO, IL 60624 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-15-129-034-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; GLEN CAMPBELL; City of Chicago; JAMAL SHABAZ; MIA GERLACH; DE VACILLO; JAMES BIRBY; GRYSTAL GRIFFIN; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002215 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0016075 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 1997 2nd Inst. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 1521 S KILBOURN AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60623 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-22-116-009-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; DANUTA DODSON; FIFTH THIRD BANK (WESTERN MICHIGAN); City of Chicago; EDWARD BIBBS; DELORES CLARK; NATASHA CLARK; MARIANA CROSS; JULIANN REDMOND; DONNA SMITH; VANESSA BIRBY; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002217 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0016075 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 1222 S HOMAN AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60623 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-23-201-034-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; LEONARD KENDZORA; RUPERTO AGUILERA; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002224 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0016408 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 2829 S SAINT LOUIS AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60623 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-26-418-012-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018...

TO: OCCUPANT; SUSIE M MASON -DZIDZA; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.; AS NOMINEE FOR IRWIN UNION BANK & TRUST COMPANY; FIRST FINANCIAL BANK F/K/A FIRST FINANCIAL BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION F/K/A IRWIN UNION BANK & TRUST COMPANY; OLD REPUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANY; EQUABLE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002125 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/06/2015 Certificate No. 13-0011402 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 925 W 53RD ST, CHICAGO, IL 60609 Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-08-312-025-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018...

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OAKDALE CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC.; NELLE STANLEY; PALMWOOD, INC.; City of Chicago; AJA HUNTER; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001902 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/05/2015 Certificate No. 13-0011439 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 1704 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5553793

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TO: OCCUPANT; QCD FINANCIAL, LLC; TAXPAYER; City of Chicago; City of Calumet City; Village of South Holland; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001876 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006282 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 448 155TH ST., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-105-023-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555606

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TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; INC.; Village of Park Forest; City of Chicago; BELMONT REALTY CORPORATION; Village of Riverdale; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002107 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0004225 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 33 PULASKI RD., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-201-007-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555620

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TO: OCCUPANT; BLACKHALL PARTNERS I, INC.; Village of Park Forest; City of Chicago; BELMONT REALTY CORPORATION; Village of Riverdale; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002107 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0004225 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 33 PULASKI RD., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-201-007-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555620

TO: OCCUPANT; ANDREW DORTCH; ILLIANA FINANCIAL CREDIT UNION; DENNIS R. BONIC AND BONNIE M. BONIC; THE TRUST AGREEMENT KNOWN AS TRUST NO. 10 DATED 06/27/1996; City of Calumet City; AMERICAN EXPRESS CENTURIUM BANK (INC.); Illinois Department of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General; TUCKER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; PINE VALLEY ONE REAL ESTATE LLC; PARK VIEW OF RIVER OAKS CONDOMINIUM NO. 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002109 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006283 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 418 155TH ST., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-105-070-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555609

TO: OCCUPANT; THERESA WILLIAMS MILES; Village of Dolton; City of Calumet City; GANX LLC; THERESA WILLIAMS MILES; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002114 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006339 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 15 PULASKI RD., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-201-014-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555625

TO: OCCUPANT; BRENDA FRANCO A/K/A BRENDA LUVIANO; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.; Cook County State's Attorney; Department of Housing and Urban Development - U.S. Attorney General; U.S. District Attorney; BRENDA FRANCO A/K/A BRENDA LUVIANO; HERMAN BREWER, BUREAU CHIEF; COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; TONY DEANDA; MARIO LUVIANO; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001870 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/03/2015 Certificate No. 13-0000420 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 1542 WALLACE ST., CHICAGO HEIGHTS, IL 60411 Legal Description or Property Index No. 32-21-309-045-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555559

TO: OCCUPANT; SFR-CHI I LLC; CITY OF OAK FOREST; Village of Richton Park; PETER FILECA; JUDITH FILECA; BRIDGETTE POOLE; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001878 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006294 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 518 156TH PL., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-116-035-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555614

TO: OCCUPANT; ALLEN RICHARD DEAN; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR WMC MORTGAGE CORPORATION; REAL TIME RESOLUTIONS, INC.; City of Calumet City; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001887 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006339 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 248 WALTHAM ST., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-309-012-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555632

TO: OCCUPANT; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND/OR LEGATEES OF DENISE HARDIN; DENISE HARDIN; BELMONT REALTY CORP; ARGENT MORTGAGE COMPANY, L.L.C.; PROPERTY ACQUISITION GROUP, INC.; DENISE HARDIN; FIRST NATIONAL BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION F/K/A SUBURBAN FEDERAL SAVINGS; A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002105 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/03/2015 Certificate No. 13-0000550 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 2138 W. WALTON ST., CHICAGO VILLAGE, IL 60411 Legal Description or Property Index No. 32-25-417-034-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555598

TO: OCCUPANT; JOSE CERDA; ALICIA CERDA; ALBA LUCKETT; DURIA LUCKETT A/K/A DUREA LUCKETT; City of Calumet City; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD001880 FILED: 03/06/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006302 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 217 157TH ST., CALUMET CITY, IL 60409 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-127-009-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555617

TO: OCCUPANT, UNIT 1; OCCUPANT, UNIT 2; OCCUPANT, UNIT 3; OCCUPANT, UNIT 4; ANTHONY HOWELL; WALLACE RAWSON; AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS AND PARTIES INTERESTED. TAX DEED NO.: 2018COTD002117 FILED: 03/12/2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold 08/04/2015 Certificate No. 13-0006458 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. Not Applicable Inst. No. Not Applicable THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 2858 BERNICE RD., LANSING, IL 60438 Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-30-402-023-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 08/03/2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 08/03/2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county, in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Courtroom 1704 Chicago, Illinois 09/05/2018 at 9:30 am. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 08/03/2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434 Chicago, IL 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 WHEELER FINANCIAL, INC., Purchaser or Assignee. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018. Pub: 4/17, 18, 19/2018 5555634

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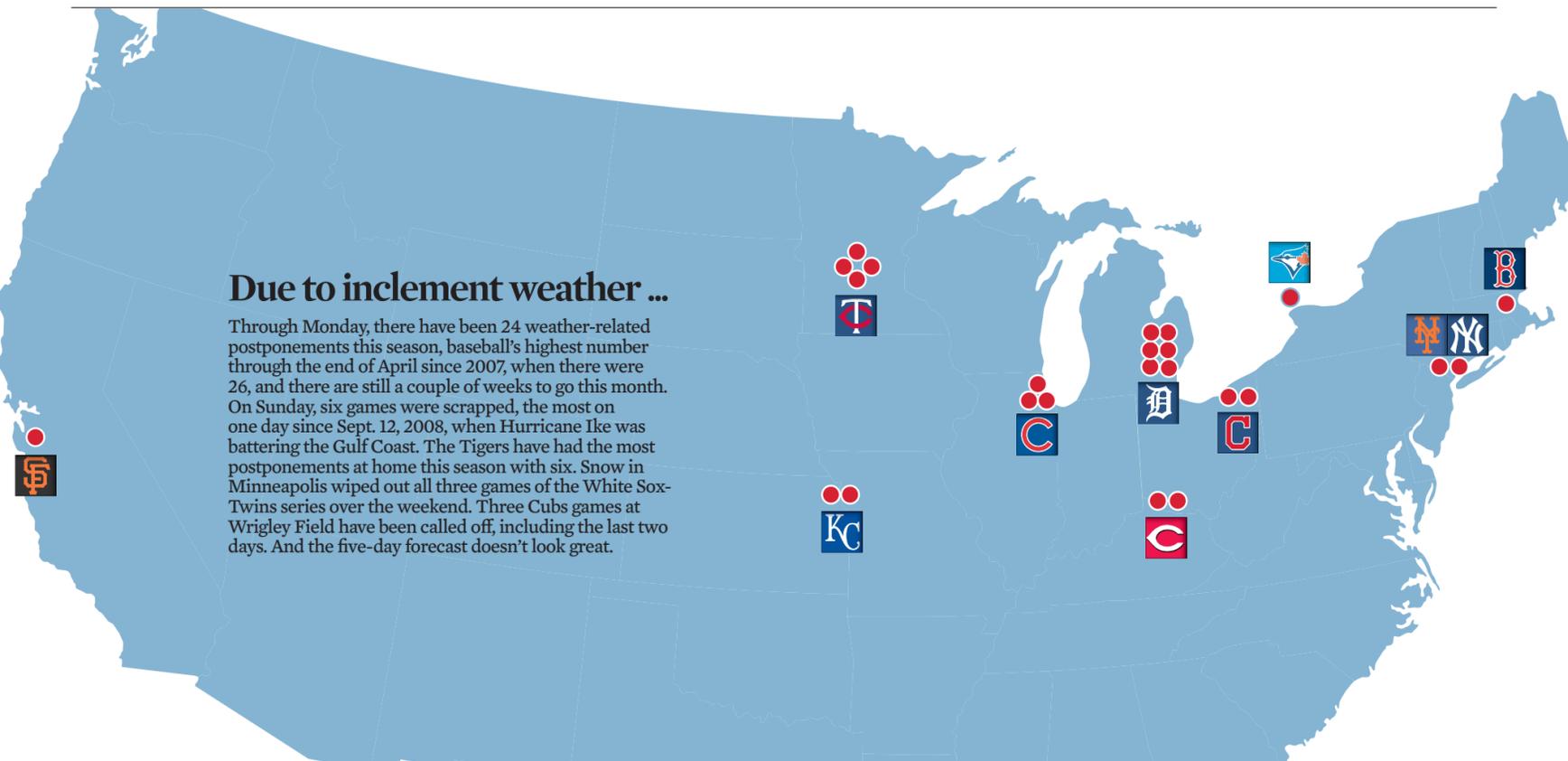
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Due to inclement weather ...

Through Monday, there have been 24 weather-related postponements this season, baseball's highest number through the end of April since 2007, when there were 26, and there are still a couple of weeks to go this month. On Sunday, six games were scrapped, the most on one day since Sept. 12, 2008, when Hurricane Ike was battering the Gulf Coast. The Tigers have had the most postponements at home this season with six. Snow in Minneapolis wiped out all three games of the White Sox-Twins series over the weekend. Three Cubs games at Wrigley Field have been called off, including the last two days. And the five-day forecast doesn't look great.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE (CUBS), JOHN SLEEZER/KANSAS CITY STAR (ROYALS), SETH WENIG/AP (METS)

From left: Snow delayed the Cubs home opener last Monday, ice and snow postponed Sunday's Angels-Royals game, and rain washed out a Phillies-Mets game earlier this month.

Thanks to rescheduling, Cubs know they'll need to choose a 6th starter

BY MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

The postponement of Monday night's Cubs-Cardinals game because of inclement weather allowed first baseman Anthony Rizzo more time for his tight lower back to recover.

But there might not be much more rest for the Cubs rotation, which eventually will need at least one extra starting pitcher in the wake of three rescheduled games in the last two weeks.

Monday's game was rescheduled for July 21 as part of a split doubleheader at Wrigley Field, with the first game scheduled to start at 12:05 p.m. and the regularly scheduled game at 6:15.

That's the second split doubleheader the Cubs are scheduled to play, and they will need a sixth starter for the May 19 doubleheader in Cincinnati — especially because their scheduled day off May 14 now will serve as a makeup game against the Braves for Sunday's postponement.

As recently as last week, neither of the Cubs' long relievers — left-hander Mike Montgomery and Eddie Butler — said they had thought much about the possibility of a spot start. But both believe they're equipped to step into the rotation if needed.

"From a physical standpoint, I'm in shape," Mont-

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CARDINALS AT CUBS
7:05 p.m. Tuesday, NBCSCH
Adam Wainwright (0-2, 5.06)
vs. Tyler Chatwood (0-2, 4.91)

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OUT COLD: EARLY KO FOR MLB

Baseball tries to break the ice, but this season gets a chilly reception



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

April baseball constantly reinforces the risks involved in drawing conclusions based on small sample sizes, but we have seen enough snow and cold this month to know one thing for sure.

Chicago's springtime weather stinks.

That goes for the rest of the Midwest, too, as the White Sox can attest after having three weekend games in Minneapolis snowed out, and, while we're clicking on Google Maps, the Northeast as well. Monday's postponements of Red Sox-Orioles in Boston, Blue Jays-Royals in Toronto and Cubs-Cardinals at Wrigley Field increased the total around the majors to 24, the most before May 1 in the last 15 seasons — with two weeks remaining in this miserable month.

Usually, you need a passport to experience the winter league. Of all the years to move the calendar back to March for opening day, this turned out to be the most illogical. Did the Farmers' Almanac fail Commissioner Rob Manfred? Is it time to have a serious discussion about starting every MLB season May 1?

Mother Nature must really hate baseball, America's

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ILLINOIS FOOTBALL

It could add up to formula won

An accountant turned coach, Patterson holds key to recruiting revival

BY SHANNON RYAN
Chicago Tribune

CHAMPAIGN — Wearing a suit and tie every weekday, Cory Patterson was on the path most expected from the finance major.

He worked on IRAs for major firms such as Bank of America and A.G. Edwards in St. Louis. Patterson, who grew up in a high-crime neighborhood in the city and was the first in his family to graduate from college, knew he had made it. Only one thing.

MORE FUN AND GAMES

Illinois coaches, players and fans are doing their best to transform Champaign into "Littyville" to help attract top recruits. **Page 2**

"It just wasn't for me," he said. Patterson worked with accounts that dealt with divorce and death.

"Everyone you talk to is mad and upset," he said. "I did well in school in (accounting), but it was really stressful for me. I didn't handle that stress well, that corporate stress. I was always thinking about it."

After work, he would rush to

volunteer coach a youth football team at a Boys & Girls Club.

"It became a stress relief," he said. "I loved it. The football field was like home."

Patterson, 37, could be the poster child for pursuing happiness. Only four years removed from working in accounting, he is a Big Ten assistant football coach.

Plucked out of Trinity Catholic High School — where as head coach from 2015 to 2017, he transformed the program into a powerhouse — he joined Illinois coach Lovie Smith's staff as tight ends coach in January.

"The biggest acquisition of this

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JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Illinois hopes new tight ends coach Cory Patterson can help rebuild the recruiting pipelines after the Illini suffered a winless Big Ten season.

TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLIOM

Cubs' top rival: Own rotation

Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays this courier from the swift completion of his appointed snark: A week-and-a-half ago, the Cubs entered a series in Milwaukee and we were told the Brewers were the big rival.

On Tuesday, the Cubs begin a delayed series against the Cardinals, who always have been the big rival.

Turns out the Cubs' new big rival is their starting rotation.

Lost in Saturday's huge comeback against the Braves is that the Cubs needed to make a huge comeback because Jose Quintana lasted just 2¹/₃ innings and allowed seven earned runs. One day earlier, Yu Darvish melted down in his home debut when he allowed four earned runs in 4²/₃ innings, an outing almost as bad as his Cubs debut in Miami, giving him two bad starts in three chances.

On Thursday, Kyle Hendricks held the Pirates to two earned runs in six innings, the only time during the last turn through the rotation that a Cubs starter was able to deliver a quality start. Heck, it was the only game in which the starter completed six innings.

Before Hendricks' outing, Jon Lester was tagged for four earned runs in five innings, his second rough start in three tries, and the day before that Tyler Chatwood allowed five runs in five innings.

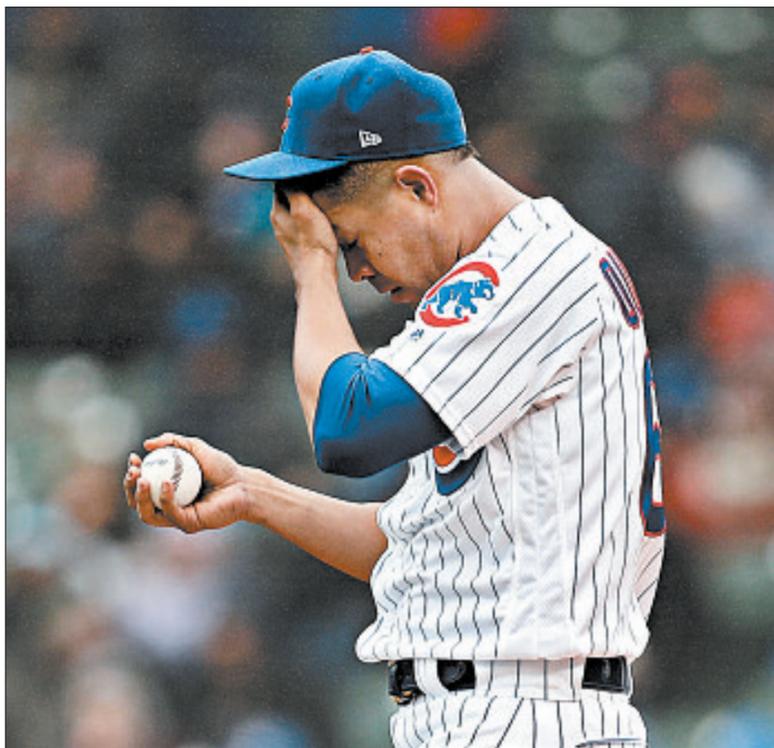
The starters are coming off a stunningly bad week, and it's a good thing it's only one week, but still they allowed 22 earned runs in 23 innings for an ERA of 8.61. What's more, they allowed 37 hits and 11 walks for a WHIP higher than 2.0.

All five games came at home, by the way — the first five home games of the season, in fact.

Blame the weather if you want or the inconsistent offense, but I expect better from a rotation with a 2018 combined base salary of more than \$64 million.

This is how a bullpen gets run down early. So when Chatwood starts against the Cardinals at Wrigley Field on Tuesday night to begin the second round of the rotation at home, we're left to hope the Cubs can overcome their big rival, not to mention the Cardinals.

Mark Sanchez was busted for using performance-enhancing drugs and I believe he is suspended four games from



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Cubs rallied to win Saturday, but Jose Quintana was unable to complete three innings.

wearing a ballcap.

Ryan Pace has drawn criticism for not using the second-round contract tender offer for Cameron Meredith, which would have landed the Bears a second-round draft pick if another team had signed the wide receiver. But here's the problem with that: Nobody was giving up a second-round pick to sign Meredith.

No, wait, check that: There is someone whose contract moves suggest he would have been foolish enough to give up that pick: Pace.

Bengals owner Mike Brown grilled free-agent safety Eric Reid about kneeling during the national anthem. For those of you scoring at home, the guy in charge of the

team that drafted a known domestic abuser and has long been a home to some of the NFL's most notorious criminal elements has an issue with a silent protest against racial inequality.

The Bulls won the drawing that broke a tie with the Kings in all the lottery dancing, so it's official: We have entered that time of year in which the Bulls show they're better with pingpong balls than basketballs.

Northwestern canceled its spring football game Saturday because it wasn't spring and never will be again.

What's up, Alan Benes?

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ASK THE REPORTER
BRAD BIGGS

Is Cody Whitehair's more natural position guard or center? If Quentin Nelson isn't available or the Bears want to go another route at No. 8, is it possible they draft a center later or acquire a center and move Whitehair to guard?
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Whitehair has played more snaps at center than guard in the NFL, and he didn't play center at all during his college career at Kansas State. He's comfortable playing both positions, and it's time for the Bears to determine where they want him to play and let him put down roots. My guess is the first choice is center, but we'll have to see what happens in the draft. Certainly the Bears could look to add a center in the draft and move Whitehair to left guard, but I don't know how likely that scenario is.

Which, if any, current Bears are you expecting to get an extension before the season starts? Eddie Goldman and Adrian Amos come to mind, but I know they also have a handful of 2016 draftees that may be costly.
@moebiggs

Goldman strikes me as the top candidate for the next extension. Sometimes those happen late in training camp or just before the season starts. Keep in mind that negotiations for these extensions are a two-way street, and Goldman could look at the allure of free agency.

Have the Bears ever been asked if Kevin White is the same athlete he was prior to having a metal rod put in his leg? He didn't look fast or explosive at all before last year's shoulder injury. If that's gone, it doesn't matter if he's "healthy."
@ted_captain

The Bears have said they believe White is the same athletically as he was when they selected him with the seventh pick in 2015. We certainly don't have a lot of material to judge when it comes to his performance. I think he needs to improve his route-running skills to look faster and more athletic.

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Patterson key to chance for a turnaround at Illinois

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whole year is Cory Patterson," CBS Sports national recruiting analyst Tom Lemming said. "He's the most prolific high school coach in Missouri. This guy could change next year's recruiting completely around. It's the best move I've seen Illinois make in years."

The Illini received a commitment last month from Trinity Catholic quarterback Isaiah Williams, the top-ranked Class of 2019 recruit in Missouri and No. 29 nationally in the 247Sports.com composite rankings. Other Trinity Catholic players — such as four-star linebacker Shammond Cooper, running back Alphonzo Andrews Jr., wide receiver Marcus Washington and offensive tackle Ira Henry — are considering scholarship offers from the Illini.

Establishing recruiting pipelines is key for Illinois to rebuild from a winless Big Ten season.

"As a recruiter, yeah, we expected good things," Smith said. "(He's) a guy who knows the St. Louis area an awful lot. He should be a good recruiter whatever area we put him in. He won't just be in St. Louis. As a man, once you have a conversation with him, you see something right there. He's genuine."

When Smith recruited Larry Boyd, now a rising sophomore offensive lineman, out of Trinity Catholic, he witnessed Patterson's abilities.

After two seasons as an assistant coach, Patterson took over the struggling program and went 27-6 in his three seasons as head coach, leading the Titans to the 2016 Missouri Class 2 title game. The 2017 squad went 9-1 and reached the state semifinals.

"When I got the phone call (from Illinois), I was really surprised by it," said Patterson, who has two daughters — Nyla, 8, and Nori, 2 — with his wife, Tiffany. "I had to make a decision fast. ... It bothered me a little because I was so close to the guys I coached, some of them since they were 5, 6 years old. They were like my babies."

Mentoring young athletes drew him to coaching.

A 2002 graduate of Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Mo. — where a knee injury cut short his playing career — Patterson scuttled from his accounting jobs to youth coaching. He later accepted a position in St. Louis Community College's accounting department, then coached as an assistant after school at Christian Brothers College High School before heading to volunteer in the evening with a youth team called The Future.

"The youth (coaching job) was free," Patterson said. "None of the jobs were paying a ton. It was just really what I wanted to do."

After serving as Trinity Catholic's offensive coordinator in 2013-14, Patterson was hired as head coach in 2015.

At all of his coaching stops, Patterson has scrimped, borrowed or charged his own



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Illini tight ends coach Cory Patterson was at a Public League coaches clinic Friday.

credit cards to take players on college tours and to hear experts in various fields — such as pilots — give advice on success. At Trinity, they took at least two trips per month.

"I just figured it out," he said. "I'd call old friends: 'Hey, I'm broke. I'm down to my last couple hundred dollars. Can you help us?'"

Those associated with the high school program recall Patterson feeding players, hosting families at his home and driving players home from practices. He was also a sophomore dean and gym and health teacher at Trinity before coaching in the afternoons.

"You couldn't find a kid who played for him who didn't think he would do anything for them," said Bill Cooper, Shammond Cooper's dad and an assistant coach at Trinity.

Patterson said he related to players who grew up in poverty or in gang-filled neighborhoods and felt he could be a positive example.

"A lot of the guys I had come from struggling environments," he said. "You are what you see. If you're in a neighborhood with drugs or violence, you start becoming that."

Patterson grew up with his parents and five siblings in Walnut Park, "one of the roughest areas in St. Louis," he said. Gunfire was not uncommon. Friends died from gun violence.

He said both of his brothers have been in prison. His mom does not have a high school education, he said, and his dad did not finish middle school.

But they pushed him to excel. "My dad is a stickler," said Patterson, who boxed at his dad's request while growing up. "He's like: 'You're going to do what I want you to do. You don't have an opinion.' We

Coaches sell recruits on 'Littyville'

BY SHANNON RYAN
Chicago Tribune

CHAMPAIGN — Thad Ward took his kids out to eat on Green Street in Champaign two springs ago after he began working as running backs coach on Lovie Smith's Illinois staff.

The lively section of town bustling with students on a warm day made him ponder why anyone wouldn't want to attend school or play sports at Illinois.

"This is what you want. This is a true college environment," he said he told his kids. "But in my mind, I was thinking, this place can be explosive if we get the right pieces here."

In other words — in the lingo of college students — "It's a place where all things are lit."

That's the day, Ward said, he became mayor of "Littyville."

He began tweeting about Champaign and the university, referring to it as such. Recruits and fans have caught on to using the hashtag, which has become especially popular this spring.

Coaches record themselves in the hallways outside their offices goofing around and talking about Littyville. Ward said his Twitter notifications are filled with mentions of it.

Memes have been created with photo-shopped road signs and highway directions to Littyville.

Illinois teamed up with GameDay Spirit sporting goods store to sell Littyville shirts and hats — with the letters "ill" highlighted in orange or blue. They sold dozens at the spring scrimmage April 7.

"The kids have bought into it, the fans bought into it, the community bought

into," Ward said. "It surpassed what I thought it would be."

For Illinois, perception matters. Smith's staff is working to change the program's reputation off the field as much as its reality on the field as a means to bring in recruits and win back fans.

The Illini finished 2-10 with an 0-9 Big Ten record last season, Smith's second in Champaign. They haven't had a winning season since 2011 and have been to only one bowl game in that span. Memorial Stadium's average attendance of 39,429 last season was 13th in the conference, ahead of only Northwestern.

Ward and other coaches are optimistic things are changing for the better.

Smith brought in new coaches this offseason, including offensive coordinator Rod Smith from Arizona. The 2019 recruiting class — which Ward has dubbed #IllGang19 on Twitter — is ranked No. 31 nationally despite only three commitments so far, thanks to a pair of top-60 national recruits in quarterback Isaiah Williams from St. Louis and wide receiver/cornerback Marquez Beason from Dallas.

Linebacker recruit Shammond Cooper, who is also weighing offers from Clemson and Oklahoma, tweeted a photo of himself in February wearing an Illinois uniform with the caption, "That Orange & Blue looking real nice #Littyville."

That buzz can only help Illinois. "We need to take another step on the football field," Ward said. "This year. It's imperative. We understand the urgency."

"We have the best fans in the world. We need our fans to come back to the stadium. Come make this place Littyville for all home games. We need to take a step, but we need to take a step together."

couldn't come home and watch TV and then do homework. My dad would call teachers, be at every parent-teacher conference. Believe me, you didn't want to be the person with the bad grades."

He wasn't. "When you see people fail in front of you, you want to be the guy to make it," Patterson said. "For me to make it meant to survive where I grew up and be able to take care of my family. It wasn't being a millionaire."

Patterson finished in the top five in his high school class and earned a Rotary Club scholar award while also excelling at football and basketball and was popular enough to be voted homecoming king. He dreamed of becoming an aeronautical engineer but wasn't all bookworm. He even performed in a rap group called Blackout and Wonder with his best friend, Anthony White.

"It's just something in him that wanted to be different, not be a product of his environment," White said. "It was important to him to change that message and show that people who do come from those upbringings, they can be positive members of society. He was very determined to be successful."

Success has come quickly for Patterson. He expects to help Illinois rebuild by connecting with players the same way he did in St. Louis.

"It's all about relationships," he said. "(Parents) saw how much I took care of young men. People understand and know I'm going to do the right things for their sons. I think that will continue on at the college level."

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BASEBALL

Few cold hard facts and friction

You shouldn't expect Bryant to hit .352 this season or for MLB to make calls that please everybody

Random thoughts while grinding through another Cubs postponement:

Same old story:

Spring numbers can inspire or depress, depending on who is relying on them to project the rest of the season.

It's nice to think Kris Bryant will hit .352 this season, but his history suggests that's not going to happen. Likewise, those who worry Ian Happ will finish with 200 strikeouts also should relax and realize it's way too early to panic.

Few players in Cubs history were more snakebitten at the start of a season than Ryne Sandberg, who had a .230 career average in March and April. Even in 1984, his MVP year, Sandberg hit only .259 with two home runs. He wound up with a .285 average and 282 homers in his Hall of Fame career, in spite of traditionally slow starts.

Since Sandberg's bad Aprils were so legendary, few worried



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

his slump would continue the rest of the year. Happ is the latest Cubs player to suffer from a miserable start, with 22 strikeouts in 45 at-bats, along with a .222 average. It's not what anyone expected, but there are still two weeks in April to get back to the norm, not to mention five months after that.

Unfortunately for Happ, this is the first April of his major-league career, so he doesn't have a full season under his belt to prove it's an anomaly. After a couple of hits Friday, Happ was asked if having five hits in eight at-bats over three games was encouraging after his rough start, despite the small sample size.

"That's a small sample size," he said of his 41 at-bats. "Just wait until the end of the year."

Manager Joe Maddon is not likely to give up on Happ, at least not yet, and generally speaking said it's common for fans to get nervous this time of year.

"There is a lot of overreacting in the beginning part of the season," Maddon said. "Early in the season a lot of times adrenaline plays (a role), and (even) after the first two or three weeks, you still have to be patient working through April." Just ask "Ryno."

Blame game: Despite protestations from the Cubs, a Major League Baseball source denied the league office was responsible for the decision to play in brutal weather Saturday at Wrigley Field. Maddon called the conditions the worst he could remember, and said Sunday "every game is pretty much controlled from New York. Do not blame the Cubs or the Braves."

The Cubs wanted MLB to take the blame after the Braves' players complained. While the league does encourage teams to get the games in and could have overruled the Cubs' decision to play, the source said neither the Cubs nor the Braves told MLB they preferred to postpone the game, if they did. Thus there was no reason for MLB to intervene.

The complaints about playing in the bad weather only came

after the fact, the source said. If the Braves hadn't blown an eight-run lead would they have been as upset with the decision to play? We'll never know.

Skinny seats update: After fans in Aisle 6 down the left-field line complained during the home opener about their new "skinny" seats installed during the off-season to accommodate the new dugout, one of them brought out a tape measure and found his seat was 14³/₄ inches wide in the front and 14 in the back.

The Cubs apparently believe Chicagoans have slimmed down since 2017. Now some fans may have no choice.

Yu's non-balk: MLB should review the balk call on Yu Darvish from Friday's game against the Braves and admit it was wrong. Darvish, who hesitates during the beginning of his wind-up, was called for a balk with Ozzie Albies dancing off second base and Freddie Freeman at the plate.

"Over the course of my career I've done that many times and it was never called a balk," Darvish said. "Even Freeman told me it wasn't a balk."

Maddon was not allowed to protest the call, but asked why it was called.

"He didn't stop," Maddon said. "I think what (the umpire) saw was he turned more, but not that he stopped."

Darvish didn't use the balk as an excuse for his poor outing. Interesting to see if it happens again.

Right call: MLB's decision to award the 2020 All-Star Game to the Dodgers was no surprise and the right decision. Their last All-Star Game was in 1980, and they play in an iconic park. The Cubs haven't had one since 1990, two years after the first night game at Wrigley.

Their turn is coming, but remember, the Wrigley Field renovations aren't complete. The visiting clubhouse and press box are the last big projects in the plan, so 2021 or '22 seem like good bets. The next two games are in Washington (2018) and Cleveland (2019), which last had one in 1997.

It's going to happen. What's the rush?

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Willson Contreras has helped keep the Cubs atop the majors in percentage of runners caught stealing.

CUBS NOTES

Contreras knee deep

But Maddon to limit when catcher can use different stance

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

Catcher **Willson Contreras** feels comfortable reverting to his old setup behind the plate on one knee.

And Cubs manager **Joe Maddon** is agreeable to Contreras' positioning — under certain conditions.

"He shouldn't be doing that with two strikes or with somebody on base," Maddon said. "It's harder to do under those circumstances. We're good with the setup. We like it. He's better at what he does when he gets to one knee."

"But when you have to block,

it's tough from there and hard to move."

Contreras has been charged with three passed balls after allowing seven in all of 2017, but he has not allowed one in his last six games. Contreras said the setup allows him more freedom with his glove side, the left.

Nevertheless, Contreras agrees with Maddon's suggestion to squat when there's a runner on base or two strikes on a batter.

Contreras said he started using a setup with one knee bent on the ground toward the end of his minor-league days in 2016, but not in a pronounced position like former major-league catcher **Tony Pena**.

"I can get to that position, but I'm not that comfortable," Contreras said. "I feel like I'm not below the ball and all my weight is on my back. I try to keep my

weight in front of me."

Contreras and backup **Victor Caratini** have nailed four baserunners in seven steal attempts for a major-league-leading 57.1 percent rate.

At the plate, Contreras is batting .325 with an .875 OPS in his last 10 games after starting the season 2-for-12.

Extra innings: The Cubs will keep their rotation the same despite Monday's rainout, with **Tyler Chatwood** facing the Cardinals' **Adam Wainwright** on Tuesday night, and **Jon Lester** opposing **Michael Wacha** on Wednesday. ... First baseman **Efen Navarro** was returned Monday to Triple-A Iowa to make room for the return of **Anthony Rizzo** and went 0-for-5 with an RBI in a 7-4 loss at Memphis.

ATHLETICS 8, SOX 1

Sox players excited for a special night

BY JOHN HICKEY
Chicago Tribune

OAKLAND, Calif. — The A's tried are trying something unusual for Tuesday night's game against the White Sox.

All tickets are free. Parking also is free, but the concessions aren't. The free seats, part of a season-long celebration of the club's 1968 move from Kansas City to Oakland, are expected to produce the biggest crowd of the year.

As part of the evening's events, the A's and Sox will be wearing 1968-style uniforms. Even some of the shoe companies are getting involved.

Tuesday's starter, **Miguel Gonzalez**, said before the Sox's 8-1 loss Monday that he can't wait to take the field in his new Nike shoes, black with a light-textured sole.

"These are pretty sick, aren't they?" Gonzalez said, holding up the shoes. "Never seen anything quite like them."

The Sox uniforms are baby blue, and as designated hitter **Matt Davidson** said, "Everybody's excited about wearing them and playing in front of a big crowd."

Weather breaking: Things were looking a little bleak for the Sox when they woke up Monday in Oakland after having been snowed out for the final three games of their four-game series against the Twins in Minnesota. The sight and sound of hail coming down in the Bay Area didn't portend good things, but the downpour, while heavy, cleared up by early afternoon.

"I think the guys are ready to get out there again and get some dirt under their feet," manager **Rick Renteria** said.

Davidson said the sight of rain didn't do much to cheer him up, but the thought of getting on the field again was a major boost.

"It's not warm, but it's like summertime compared to what we were in," Davidson said. "We're excited to play. We're ready for it to warm up."

Davidson has family in Minneapolis, but with a 3-year-old daughter and 1-year-old son, having time off because of snow was something less than optimum.

THE LATE SHOW

For more coverage of Monday night's White Sox-A's game go to chicagotribune.com/sports

"My daughter was OK with it, but for my son it was a little too much," Davidson said of the winter break in Minneapolis. "It was so cold — you'd walk outside and your hands would be freezing within five minutes."

Top spot: Yoan Moncada doesn't have much to show for his move to the leadoff spot in the Sox lineup — a slash line of .183/.298/.306.

But Renteria doesn't seem overly concerned about the situation, and Moncada was back at the top of the lineup and at second base Monday. He singled on the first pitch he saw in the first inning.

"He's showing some signs of positive and some of negative," Renteria said. "I have to let it play itself out to get a feel for it."

Castillo back: Catcher **Welington Castillo** was able to make more use of the snow days than just about any of his teammates.

He was dealing with some knee pain but was back in the lineup Monday. Renteria said Castillo had "no limitations." The manager "talked with him this morning and I spoke to him last night after the flight, and he's ready to go."

Castillo was winged by a backswing from **Khris Davis** with two outs in the first inning Monday but stayed in game after being checked out.

Smith rehab: Renteria said there are no plans to carry **Kevan Smith** (sprained left ankle) as a third catcher, at least for now. He had been working out in Arizona after starting the season on the 10-day disabled list and just got through a nine-inning game for the first time late last week.

Rather than bringing him up, the Sox have opted to have Smith, who played in 87 games for them last season, go to Triple-A Charlotte on a minor-league rehab assignment.

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Cubs are going to need 6th starter

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gomery said. "I haven't felt like I'm getting tired, no matter if I'm going one inning or multiple innings. I felt good (Friday), and it didn't work out."

"It's going to happen at some point. It's a long season. With the crazy weather here, I'll be ready. But in the meantime, I want to make sure if it does happen, I'm at the top of my game."

Over the winter, Montgomery expressed a desire to start and wondered if his arm was equipped to shuttle between the bullpen and rotation, but the Cubs assured him he would be treated with proper care. He was groomed as a

starter in spring training, but his longest regular-season outing has been a two-inning, 34-pitch stint April 10 against the Pirates.

"I've tried to focus on the task at hand," said Montgomery, who had a 4.15 ERA in 14 starts in 2017. "I went through that last year and realized that's all I can do. If I start changing up, then I start to lose focus. I've been working on some things that I've seen in film, and I'm more focused on being comfortable."

Butler was pressed into service as the sixth starter in the 35th game of 2017 after Brett Anderson suffered a back injury, and Butler made a strong case for filling that role when he threw seven innings

and 90 pitches in relief March 30 in Miami. Another option would be to dip into the minors, though Jen-Ho Tseng is 0-3 with a 7.63 ERA in three starts for Triple-A Iowa.

"I don't know what's going to happen," said Butler, who posted a 3.86 ERA as a starter last year but averaged only 4²/₃ innings per start. "We have to bring up an extra guy, so I don't know if it's going to be a starter or long reliever. If they use me or Montgomery to start, I'm coming in with the mindset I'm pitching. I just prepare my body for that."

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Starter Reynaldo Lopez delivers a pitch during the second inning of the White Sox's game against the A's on Monday night in Oakland, Calif.

BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 vs. OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W-L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
STL Wainwright (R)	0-2 5.06 0-2	1-1 19.2 1.83
Cubs Chatwood (R)	7:05p 0-0 4.01 0-2	0-0 10.0 9.00
Col Bettis (R)	2-0 2.04 3-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
Pit Williams (R)	6:05p 3-0 1.56 3-0	1-0 6.2 6.75
WAS Gonzalez (L)	1-1 2.20 1-2	3-0 20.0 2.25
NYM Wheeler (R)	6:10p 1-0 1.29 1-0	0-1 11.2 3.86
Phi Pivetta (R)	1-0 2.70 3-0	3-0 17.0 2.12
Atl Foltynewicz (R)	6:35p 1-1 2.93 1-2	1-1 18.0 3.00
Cin Romano (R)	0-1 5.87 1-2	0-3 13.2 7.24
Mil Guerra (R)	6:40p 1-0 1.69 1-0	0-1 5.0 14.40
SF Cueto (R)	1-0 0.69 2-0	2-0 11.0 4.91
ARI Corbin (L)	8:40p 2-0 2.45 2-1	1-2 17.0 2.65
LAD Wood (L)	0-2 5.09 0-3	2-1 20.0 3.15
SD Mitchell (R)	9:10p 0-2 5.27 0-3	0-0 0.0 0.00

AMERICAN LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 vs. OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W-L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Sox Gonzalez (R)	0-2 8.68 0-2	0-2 12.0 3.00
Oak Cahill (R)	9:05p 0-0 5.00 0-0	0-0 10.0 2.70
KC Duffy (L)	G1 0-0 0.40 0-3	0-0 0.0 0.00
Tor Happ (L)	2:07p 2-1 3.94 2-1	0-1 13.1 1.35
Bal Cashner (R)	1-1 2.50 1-2	0-0 0.0 0.00
Det Liriano (L)	5:40p 1-1 2.13 1-1	0-1 6.2 2.70
KC Skoglund (L)	G2 0-1 9.64 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
Tor Garcia (L)	6:07p 1-0 3.18 2-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
Cle Kluber (R)	1-1 1.57 1-2	0-0 7.0 0.00
Min Odorizzi (R)	6:10p 1-0 2.20 2-1	1-0 6.0 6.00
Tex Moore (L)	0-3 8.76 0-3	0-0 0.0 0.00
TB TBD ()	6:10p 0-0 0.00 0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
Bos Price (L)	1-1 2.40 2-1	0-2 11.0 5.73
LAA Ohtani (R)	9:07p 2-0 2.08 2-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
HOU McCullers Jr. (R)	1-1 7.71 1-2	2-0 21.0 3.86
Sea Miranda (L)	9:10p 0-0 0.00 0-0	0-2 30.2 4.70

INTERLEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 vs. OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W-L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Mia Garcia (L)	0-0 1.13 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
NY Tanaka (R)	5:35p 2-1 5.19 2-1	0-0 0.0 0.00

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

MONDAY'S RESULTS

OAKLAND 5, WHITE SOX 1
St. Louis at **Cubs**, ppd.
Colorado 6, **PITTSBURGH** 2
TAMPA BAY 8, Texas 4
N.Y. **YANKEES** 12, Miami 1
Washington 8, N.Y. **METS** 6
ATLANTA 2, Philadelphia 1
Cincinnati 10, **MILWAUKEE** 4
SEATTLE 2, Houston 1
L.A. Dodgers 10, **SAN DIEGO** 3
Kansas City at Toronto, ppd.
Baltimore at Boston, ppd.

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE
St. Louis at **Cubs**, 1:20
White Sox at Oakland, 2:35
Colorado at Pittsburgh, 11:35 a.m.
Texas at Tampa Bay, 12:10
Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 12:40
Kansas City at Toronto, 3:07
Baltimore at Detroit, 5:40
Cleveland vs. Minnesota at San Juan, Puerto Rico, 6:11
Washington at N.Y. Mets, 6:30

NL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
RFAHatty Atl	12	41	7	15	.366
Martinez STL	16	55	5	20	.364
Grandal LAD	11	39	6	14	.359
Dickerson PIT	13	43	10	15	.358
Swanson Atl	13	56	7	20	.357
Bryant CHC	14	54	9	19	.352
DPeralta Ari	12	50	11	17	.340
Herrera Phi	13	49	11	16	.327
Hoskins Phi	14	43	10	14	.326

HOME RUNS	AB	R	H	BA
Harper, WAS	7	Albies, ATL	8	
Blackmon, CO	5	Baez, CHI	2	
Albies, ATL	5	KMartez, AZ	2	
LeMahieu, CO	5	SMarte, PIT	2	
Molina, STL	5	Thames, MIL	2	
Polanco, PIT	5	STOLEN BASES		
Turner, WAS	6	Pham, STL	5	
Ryan, WAS	5	Taylor, WAS	5	
Harper, WAS	5	Trilling, WAS	5	
Swanson, PIT	5	Ottavino, CO	3	
Pham, STL	5	Williams, PIT	3	
Scherz, WAS	3	RBI		
Franc, PHI	15	ERA		
Martinez, STL	15	Tailon, PIT	0.89	
Polanco, PIT	15	Garcia, Miami, 1.13		
Sanchez, ATL	1.29	HITS		
Scherz, WAS	1.33	Pirela, SD	24	
LeMahieu, CO	21	STRIKEOUTS		
Albies, ATL	20	Scherzer, WAS	38	
Sanchez, STL	20	Synderreg, NY	33	
Swanson, ATL	20	through Sunday		

Yankees 12, Marlins 1

MIAMI	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Dietch If	5	0	0	0	.268
Ryan ss	4	2	2	0	.352
Castro 2b	3	0	0	0	.281
Rivera 2b	0	0	0	0	.167
Bour 1b	3	0	1	1	.232
Anderson 3b	3	0	0	0	.254
Tellis dh	4	1	2	1	.289
Maybin cf	3	0	0	0	.227
Shuck rf	4	0	0	0	.357
Holladay c	4	1	1	0	.179
TOTALS	37	1	4	1	.250

NY YANKEES	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Gardner lf	5	2	2	0	.276
Judge rf	5	2	1	0	.295
Peterson rf	1	0	0	0	.300
Stanton dh	3	1	0	0	.210
Gregorius ss	4	3	2	3	.327
Wade 2b	4	1	2	1	.294
Sanchez c	4	1	3	3	.315
Romine c	0	0	0	0	.186
Hicks cf	4	0	1	2	.333
Austin 1b	4	1	2	1	.289
Andujar 3b	4	1	2	1	.334
Torreyes 2b-ss	5	1	1	0	.385
TOTALS	38	12	15	12	

E. Andujar (2), LOB: Miami 9, New York 11. **2B:** Rojas (3), Hicks (2), Austin (2), Andujar (2). **HR:** Judge (4), off Smith; Gregorius (4), off Floyd; Gregorius (5), off O'Grady. **RBIs:** Bour (1), Judge (2), Gregorius (3), Hicks (2), Sanchez (3), Hicks (2), Austin (1), Torreyes (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** Miami 5 (Anderson, Telis, 2, Shuck 2); New York 6 (Judge, Hicks, Andujar 2). **RISP:** Miami 1 for 7; New York 7 for 18. **Runners moved up:** Bour.

MIAMI	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Smith, L0-2	2½	5	5	5	3	6	8.99
Cloyd	¾	8	6	2	4	12	6.42
O'Grady	1½	2	1	1	2	6.43	
Tazawa	1	0	0	0	2	1.69	
TOTALS	5	13	11	12	15	38	

NY YANKEES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Severino, W-1-6	1	0	0	1	8	2.62	
Rios, Los Angeles 6, San Diego 4, 2B: Seager (7), Kemp (3), Austin (1), Hedges (2), A-Szczur (1), runners left in scoring position: Los Angeles 2 (Ryu, Valera); San Diego 1 (Astajue).							

Dodgers 10, Padres 3

LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Taylor cf	5	1	0	0	.212
Seager ss	5	2	1	0	.200
Hernandez 2b	5	1	1	0	.171
Bellinger 1b	3	1	1	0	.310
Kemp lf	2	2	2	3	.333
Pederson ph-1f	1	1	0	0	.148
Grandal c	4	1	2	5	.372
Puig rf	4	0	0	0	.207
Farmer 3b	3	0	0	0	.243
Ryu p	3	0	0	0	.179
Valera ph	1	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	36	10	8	9	

SAN DIEGO	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Pirela lf	4	0	0	0	.308
Galvis ss	4	0	0	0	.295
Hamer 1b	3	2	2	0	.222
Renfroe rf	3	2	2	0	.316
Villanueva 3b	4	1	3	3	.333
Cordero cf	4	0	1	2	.273
Asuaje 2b	4	0	0	0	.188
Hedges c	3	0	0	0	.143
Erin p	3	0	0	0	.500
c-Szczur ph	1	0	0	0	.267
Cimber p	0	0	0	0	.000
McGrath p	0	0	0	0	.000
Maton p	0	0	0	0	.000
e-Headley ph	0	0	0	0	.038
Mantiply p	0	0	0	0	.273
TOTALS	32	3	6	3	

E. Pirela (1), Renfroe (1), Villanueva (3), LOB: Los Angeles 6, San Diego 4. **2B:** Seager (1), Grandal (3), Renfroe (2). **HR:** Kemp (2), off Erin; Grandal (3), off Makita; Villanueva (6), off Ryu. **RBIs:** Hernandez (7), Kemp (3), Austin (1), Hedges (2), A-Szczur (1), runners left in scoring position: Los Angeles 2 (Ryu, Valera); San Diego 1 (Astajue).

LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Ryu, W-2-0	6	3	2	2	0	9	2.87
Cingrani	1	0	0	0	2	7.70	
Fields	1	0	0	1	1	1.12	
Alexander	1	3	1	0	0	2.36	
TOTALS	9	4	3	3	3	14	

ERin, L0-2 3 P 6 R 4 E 2 A 4.40
Cimber 3 0 0 0 1 3 1.38
McGrath 1 0 0 0 0 1 4.50
Maton 1 0 0 0 2 0 7.11
Makita 1 2 4 0 2 0 7.11

HBP: Ryu (Renfroe). **Time:** 2:50.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	7	4	.636	—	7-3	W-3	4-2	3-2
Cleveland	8	6	.571	½	6-4	L-1	6-2	2-4
WHITE SOX	4	9	.308	4	2-8	L-2	1-5	3-4
Detroit	4	9	.308	4	4-6	L-5	1-5	3-4
Kansas City	3	10	.231	5	3-7	L-5	1-7	2-3

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Boston	13	2	.867	—	9-1	W-4	8-1	5-1
Toronto	9	5	.643	3½	7-3	W-1	4-3	5-2
New York	8	7	.533	5	5-5	W-2	4-3	4-4
Baltimore	5	11	.313	8½	4-6	L-3	2-4	3-7
Tampa Bay	4	12	.250	9½	3-7	W-1	2-6	2-6

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	13	3	.813	—	9-1	W-7	4-2	9-1
Seattle	9	5	.643	3	6-4	W-1	5-2	4-3
Houston	10	7	.588	3½	4-6	L-3	6-3	4-4
Oakland	7	10	.412	6½	4-6	W-2	4-5	3-5
Texas	6	12	.333	8	3-7	L-1	2-8	4-4

YANKEES 12, MARLINS 1

Sluggers run wild — except Stanton

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Didi Gregorius homered twice for the second time this season, Gary Sanchez had three hits and three RBIs, and the Yankees romped to a 12-1 victory over Derek Jeter's Marlins on Monday night.

About the only Yankee bopper who didn't get in on the fun was Giancarlo Stanton, who went hitless and got booed again by the hometown fans in his first game against his former team.

Aaron Judge became the fastest major-leaguer to hit 60 career homers, and Gregorius finished with three RBIs. The Yankees

scored in each of the first five innings and built an 11-0 lead for Luis Severino (3-1), who allowed one hit in six scoreless innings and struck out eight.

Judge hit his fourth home run this season and reached 60 in 197 games, five fewer than Mark McGwire.

Jeter did not attend the game, the first between the teams since the former Yankees captain became Marlins CEO last October.

Another former Yankees captain was in Miami's dugout: Don Mattingly. Starting his third season as Marlins manager, Mattingly was welcomed by the Bleacher Creatures, who chanted

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Pittsburgh	11	5	.688	—	6-4	L-1	4-3	7-2
St. Louis	9	7	.563	2	6-4	W-4	2-4	7-3
CUBS	7	7	.500	3	5-5	W-1	2-3	5-4
Milwaukee	8	9	.471	3½	4-6	L-2	2-6	6-3
Cincinnati	3	13	.188	8	2-8	W-1	1-7	2-6

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
	STL 7:05 NBCSCH AM-670	STL 1:20 ABC-7 AM-670		@COL 7:40 WGN-9 AM-670	@COL 7:10 NBCSCH AM-670	@COL 2:10 NBCSCH AM-670	
	@OAK 9:05 WGN-9 AM-720	@OAK 2:35 NBCSCH AM-720		HOU 7:10 NBCSCH AM-1000	HOU 6:10 WGN-9 AM-720	HOU 6:10 WGN-9 AM-720	SEA 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720
					@NYRB 2:30 AM-1200		

TUESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB

6 p.m.	Indians vs. Twins in Puerto Rico	FS1
7:05 p.m.	Cardinals at Cubs	NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670
9 p.m.	Red Sox at Angels	MLBN
9:05 p.m.	White Sox at Athletics	WGN-9, WGN-AM 720

COLLEGE BASEBALL

5:30 p.m.	Coastal Carolina at North Carolina	ESPN
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NBA PLAYOFFS

6 p.m.	G2, Wizards at Raptors	NBA TV
7 p.m.	G2, Bucks at Celtics	TNT
9:30 p.m.	G2, Pelicans at Trail Blazers	TNT

NHL PLAYOFFS

6:30 p.m.	G3, Capitals at Blue Jackets	NBCSN
7 p.m.	G4, Jets at Wild	CNBC
9:30 p.m.	G4, Golden Knights at Kings	NBCSN

PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

1:40 p.m.	Tottenham Hotspur at Brighton & Hove	NBCSN
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COLLEGE SOFTBALL

2 p.m.	Michigan at Michigan State	BTN
4 p.m.	Rutgers at Maryland (2)	BTN

TENNIS

3 a.m. Wed.	ATP Monte Carlo Masters	Tennis Channel
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MARATHON

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MEN'S OVERALL TOP FINISHERS

1. Yuki Kawauchi, Japan	2:15:58
2. Geoffrey Kirui, Kenya	2:18:23
3. Shadrack Biwott, U.S.	2:18:35
4. Tyler Pennel, U.S.	2:18:57
5. Andrew Bumbalough, U.S.	2:19:52

WOMEN'S OVERALL TOP FINISHERS

1. Desiree Linden, U.S.	2:39:54
2. Sarah Sellers, U.S.	2:44:04
3. Krista Duchene, Canada	2:44:20
4. Rachel Hyland, U.S.	2:44:29
5. Jessica Chichester, U.S.	2:45:23

MEN'S HANDCYCLE

1. Tom Davis, U.S.	1:18:41
2. Alfredo De Los Santos, U.S.	1:25:56
3. Krys Zybovski, U.S.	1:28:54
4. Josh Sharpe, U.S.	1:42:22
5. Joerg Schneider, Germany	1:46:30

WOMEN'S HANDCYCLE

1. Alicia Dana, U.S.	1:40:22
2. Devann Murphy, U.S.	2:55:54
3. Holly Koester, U.S.	2:59:36
4. Beth Sanden, U.S.	3:18:28
5. Michelle Love, U.S.	4:52:39

PUSHRIM WHEELCHAIR

1. Marcel Hug, Switzerland	1:46:26
2. Ernst van Dyk, South Africa	1:47:14
3. Daniel Romanchuk, U.S.	1:50:39
4. Masazumi Soejima, Japan	1:54:16
5. Patrick Monahan, Ireland	1:54:22

Women

1. Tatyana McFadden, U.S.	2:04:39
2. Susannah Scaroni, U.S.	2:20:01
3. Sandra Graf, Switzerland	2:26:32
4. Aline Dos Rocha, Brazil	2:31:18
5. Arielle Rausin, U.S.	2:32:24

TENNIS

ATP WORLD TOUR MONTE-CARLO ROLEX MASTERS

R1 at the Monte-Carlo Country Club:

Monaco: clay-outdoor

#15 Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. Jared Donaldson, 6-3, 6-3
#11 Roberto Bautista Agut d. Andrey Rublev d. Julien Benneteau, 7-6 (7), 2-6, 7-5
#12 Tomas Berdych, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1
Borna Coric d. Peter Gogjovc, 6-4, 6-3
#9 Novak Djokovic d. Dusan Lajovic, 6-0, 6-1
#14 Milos Raonic d. Lucas Catarina, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3
#2 Stefanos Tsitsipas d. Florian Mayer, 7-5, 6-4
#4 Stepanos Tsitsipas d. Denis Shapovalov, 6-3, 6-4
Ajiz Bedene d. Mirza Basic, 6-4, 7-6 (3)
Pierre-Hugues Herbert d. Paolo Lorenzi, 7-6 (7), 6-4

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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

TAMPA BAY 2, NEW JERSEY 1

April 12: TAMPA BAY 5-2
April 14: TAMPA BAY 5-3
Monday: NEW JERSEY 5-2
Wednesday: at New Jersey, 6:30
Saturday: at Tampa Bay, TBA
x-April 23: at New Jersey, TBA
x-April 25: at New Jersey, TBA

BOSTON 2, TORONTO 1

April 12: BOSTON 5-1
April 14: BOSTON 7-3
Monday: TORONTO 4-2
Thursday: at Toronto, TBA
x-April 23: at Toronto, TBA
x-April 25: at Boston, TBA

COLUMBUS 2, WASHINGTON 0

April 12: Columbus 4-3 (OT)
April 15: Columbus 5-4 (OT)
Thursday: at Columbus, 6:30
Saturday: at Washington, TBA
x-April 23: at Columbus, TBA
x-April 25: at Washington, TBA

PITTSBURGH 2, PHILADELPHIA 1

April 11: PITTSBURGH 7-0
April 13: Philadelphia 5-1
Monday: Pittsburgh 5-1
Wednesday: at Philadelphia, 6
Friday: at Pittsburgh, TBA
x-April 22: at Philadelphia, TBA
x-April 24: at Pittsburgh, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

NASHVILLE 2, COLORADO 1

April 12: NASHVILLE 5-2
April 14: NASHVILLE 5-4
Monday: COLORADO 5-3
Wednesday: at Colorado, 9
x-Friday: at Nashville, TBA
x-April 22: at Colorado, TBA
x-April 24: at Nashville, TBA

WINNIPEG 2, MINNESOTA 1

April 11: WINNIPEG 4-1
April 13: MINNESOTA 6-2
Tuesday: at Minnesota, 7
Friday: at Winnipeg, TBA
x-April 22: at Minnesota, TBA
x-April 25: at Winnipeg, TBA

VEGAS 3, LOS ANGELES 0

April 11: VEGAS 1-0
April 13: VEGAS 2-1 (2OT)
Thursday: at Los Angeles, 9:30
x-Thursday: at Vegas, 9
x-Saturday: at Los Angeles, TBA
x-April 23: at Vegas, TBA

SAN JOSE 3, ANAHEIM 0

April 12: SAN JOSE 3-0
April 14: SAN JOSE 3-2
Monday: SAN JOSE 8-1
Wednesday: at San Jose, 9:30
x-Friday: at Anaheim, TBA
x-April 22: at San Jose, TBA
x-April 24: at Anaheim, TBA
(best-of-7, x-if necessary)

GOLF

WORLD RANKING

WORLD RANKING	CNTRY	AVG
1. Dustin Johnson	USA	9.85
2. Justin Thomas	USA	9.46
3. Jordan Spieth	USA	8.77
4. Jon Rahm	ESP	8.73
5. Sergio Garcia	ESP	8.52
6. Rickie Fowler	USA	7.29
7. Rory McIlroy	NIR	6.73
8. Hideki Matsuyama	JPN	6.64
9. Brooks Koepka	USA	5.73
10. Tyrrell Hatton	ENG	5.62
11. Patrick Reed	USA	5.53
12. Tommy Fleetwood	ENG	5.47
13. Jason Day	AUS	5.44
14. Henrik Stenson	SWE	5.40
15. Paul Casey	ENG	5.34
16. Marc Leishman	AUS	4.95
17. Alex Noren	SWE	4.78
18. Bubba Watson	USA	4.61
19. Bryson DeChambeau	USA	4.49
20. Phil Mickelson	USA	4.47
21. Matt Kuchar	USA	4.18
22. Pat Perez	USA	4.08
23. Brian Harman	USA	3.91
24. Adam Scott	USA	3.84
25. Rafael Cabrera Bello	ESP	3.84

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Washington: Selected the contract of RHP Jeremy Hellickson. Placed C Jhonatan Solano on the 60-day DL. Optioned RHP Trevor Gott to Syracuse (IL).
CAN-AM LEAGUE
New Jersey: Signed INF Carlos Truinfel.
Ottawa: Signed C Adam Martin.
Sussex County: Released LHP Kenny Roder.
FOOTBALL
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
NFL: LB James Harrison announced his retirement.
Bears: Signed WR Bennie Fowler to a one-year contract.
Arizona: Signed TE Beau Sandland to a one-year contract.
Buffalo: Signed WR Jeremy Kerley to a one-year contract and DT Tenny Palepoi. Re-signed DE Eddie Yarbrough, CB Lafayette Pitts and TE Nick O'Leary and Logan Thomas.
Cleveland: Signed WR Justin Gordon and DT Peterson. Signed LB Eric Kendricks to a contract extension.
N.Y. Jets: Signed S Rontez Miles and TE Neal Sterling. Waived WR Brisly Estime. Claimed K Nick Rose off waivers from the Los Angeles Chargers.
Seattle: Re-signed QB Austin Davis. Signed LB Paul Dawson, C Joey Hunt, DE Brandon Jackson and LS Tyler Ott.
Washington: Re-signed OT Ty Nsekhe and OL Tony Bergstrom. Signed G Brandon Scherff.
HOCKEY
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Nashville: Signed F Tyler Gaudet to a one-year, two-way contract.
New Jersey: Recalled D Michael Kapla and Brian Stratt and Fs Christoph Bertschy, Nick Lappin, Michael McLeod, Blake Pietela and Kevin Rooney from Binghamton (AHL).
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
Bridgeport: Returned Fs Josh Holmstrom and Kellen Jones to Worcester (ECHL).
OLYMPICS
USADA: Announced weightlifter Jessica Rivera accepted a four-year sanction for an anti-doping rule violation.
SOCCER
MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER
MLS: Fined Portland owner Merritt Paulson for comments on social media that were subsequently published.
COLLEGE
Duke: Announced freshman F Wendell Carter Jr. will enter the NBA draft.
Purdue: Freshman G Noel Eastern declared for the NBA draft.

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

MIDWEST LEAGUE

EASTERN	W	L	PCT.	GB
South Bend (Cubs)	6	2	.750	-
W Michigan (Tigers)	6	2	.750	-
Dayton (Reds)	5	3	.625	1/2
Bowl. Green (Rays)	5	6	.455	2 1/2
Lake Co. (Indians)	4	5	.444	2 1/2
Gr. Lakes (Dodgers)	2	6	.250	4
Wisconsin (Padres)	2	9	.182	5 1/2

WESTERN

Ced. Rapids (Twins)	6	1	.857	-
Beloit (Athletics)	5	3	.625	1 1/2
Burlington (Mariners)	5	3	.625	1 1/2
Clinton (Angels)	4	3	.571	2
Peoria (Cardinals)	4	5	.444	3
Kane Co. (Dbacks)	3	5	.375	3 1/2
Wisconsin (Brewers)	3	7	.300	4 1/2
Quad Cities (Astros)	2	5	.286	4

MONDAY: No games scheduled.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY FORD CITY 500

Monday at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway; lap: 0.533 miles
Starting lineup in parentheses:
1. (1) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 500 laps.
2. (6) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 500.
3. (17) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 500.
4. (18) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 500.
5. (8) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 500.
6. (19) Aric Almirola, Ford, 500.
7. (25) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 500.
8. (14) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 500.
9. (10) Joey Logano, Ford, 500.
10. (30) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 500.
11. (24) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 500.
12. (23) David Ragan, Ford, 500.
13. (7) Paul Menard, Ford, 499.
14. (3) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 499.
15. (21) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 499.
16. (20) Darrell Wallace Jr., Chev., 499.
17. (18) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 499.
18. (11) William Byron, Chevrolet, 498.
19. (31) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 498.
20. (29) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 498.
21. (24) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 497.
22. (2) Kurt Busch, Ford, 496.
23. (3) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 495.
24. (33) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 495.
25. (34) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 494.
26. (13) Erik Jones, Toyota, 494.
27. (35) D. Kennington, Toyota, 482.
28. (32) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 471.
29. (16) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 473.
30. (26) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 458-a
31. (15) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 457.
32. (36) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, 342-a
33. (38) Chad Finchum, Toyota, 335-a
34. (15) Casey Kahne, Chev., 236-st.
35. (15) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 293.
36. (22) Chris Buescher, Chev., 116-a
37. (37) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 115-a
38. (9) Michael McDowell, Ford, 9-a
39. (27) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 3-a
a=accident; st=steering
Lap Leaders: Kyle Busch 1-16; R. Blaney 17-55; J. Logano 56; R. Blaney 57-117; B. Keselowski 118-130; K. Larson 131-243; B. Keselowski 244-261; D. Hamlin 262-265; B. Keselowski 266-292; K. Larson 293-324; Kyle Busch 325-360; D. Suarez 361-365; B. Keselowski 366-374; D. Wallace Jr. 375-389; Kyle Busch 381-438; K. Larson 439-477; R. Blaney 478; K. Larson 479-494; Kyle Busch 495-500.
MONSTER ENERGY CUP DRIVER POINTS
365: Kyle Busch
306: J. Logano
287: Ry. Blaney
287: M. Truex Jr.
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St. Louis:

Athletes filling up ABC's dance card

Get ready for all-sports 'Dancing with the Stars'

Oh, for David Ross' sake, look what in the wide, wide world of sports ABC has done. It looks like an unofficial ESPN edition of "Dancing with the Stars."

ABC has unveiled a field of 10 current or former athletes who will be ballroom blitzing each other beginning April 30. With weekly double eliminations, the competition will wrap up in just four weeks as a prelude to the May 31 start of the NBA Finals.

The target audience presumably includes viewers battling sequin withdrawal since the Winter Olympics and anyone who enjoys "30 for 30" films and other sports documentaries but wonders if the people who are showcased can mambo and jitterbug.

The producers have recruited basketball Hall of Famer, author and actor Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, former baseball player Johnny Damon, Redskins cornerback Josh Norman and former Olympic softball star Jennie Finch Daigle.

Tonya Harding, the one-time Olympian and movie character, is trying yet again to convince everyone she's not as bad as police reports suggest. (The figure skating rival Harding's entourage sought to cripple in 1994, Nancy Kerrigan, took sixth on the show a year ago, so there's a benchmark at which Harding can aim.)

The NCAA miraculously found its way clear to allow recently crowned women's basketball champion Arike Ogunbowale of Notre Dame to do "DWTS." Her appearance comes despite the NCAA's antediluvian prohibitions on its moneymakers (it prefers the term "student-athletes") personally benefiting from their fame as athletes the way the NCAA, its member schools and business partners do.

Ogunbowale can keep any prize money she earns. But whether she wins or loses, the NCAA intends to keep its rules preserving a form of amateurism that even the International Olympic Committee has abandoned.

Then there is a quartet of Team USA medalists from the Pyeongchang Games: figure skater Adam Rippon, snowboarder Jamie Anderson, luger Chris Mazdzer and figure skater Mirai Nagasu, who made no secret in South Korea that competing on "DWTS" was an ambition.

In retrospect, it was only a matter of time before Disney, parent of ESPN and ABC, went with a sports-themed "DWTS." Ten of the 25 winners to date



PHIL ROSENTHAL
On media

have been athletes, including five of the first eight. Another was once a Dallas Cowboys cheerleader.

Nine second-place finishers have been athletes, including the Cubs' Grandpa Rossy last spring, as may have been mentioned once or 200 times when Ross was working last season as an ESPN baseball analyst.

Just last fall, playing off the fantasy-sports business ESPN has built for itself, Disney dressed up a viewer contest and prize drawing by calling it the "Dancing with the Stars Fantasy League."

Then there was "Dance Center," an ESPN "SportsCenter" parody in which "DWTS" judge Len Goodman joined pro football Hall of Famer and former "DWTS" runner-up Jerry Rice and ESPN's Kenny Mayne, whose subpar cha-cha-cha led to a first-week elimination 12 years ago.

The only real surprise here is that there's no announced role yet for personalities ESPN seems eager to promote, such as the "Get Up!" gang of Mike Greenberg, Michelle Beadle and Jalen Rose. Having Stephen A. Smith, Tony Kornheiser, Michael Wilbon, Katie Nolan and NFL draft guru Mel Kiper Jr. as guest judges might be a draw, even for people who ordinarily have no interest in "DWTS" and those who say they detest ESPN.

A complication for "DWTS" competitors is that while most top sports figures have great athleticism and outstanding innate coordination, not all are equipped to meet the multifaceted demands of ballroom dancing.

The Broncos' Von Miller so frustrated professional dance partner Whitney Carson in the spring of 2016 that Carson began to fine the All-Pro linebacker \$100 for every incidence of flatulence during their practice sessions and performances.

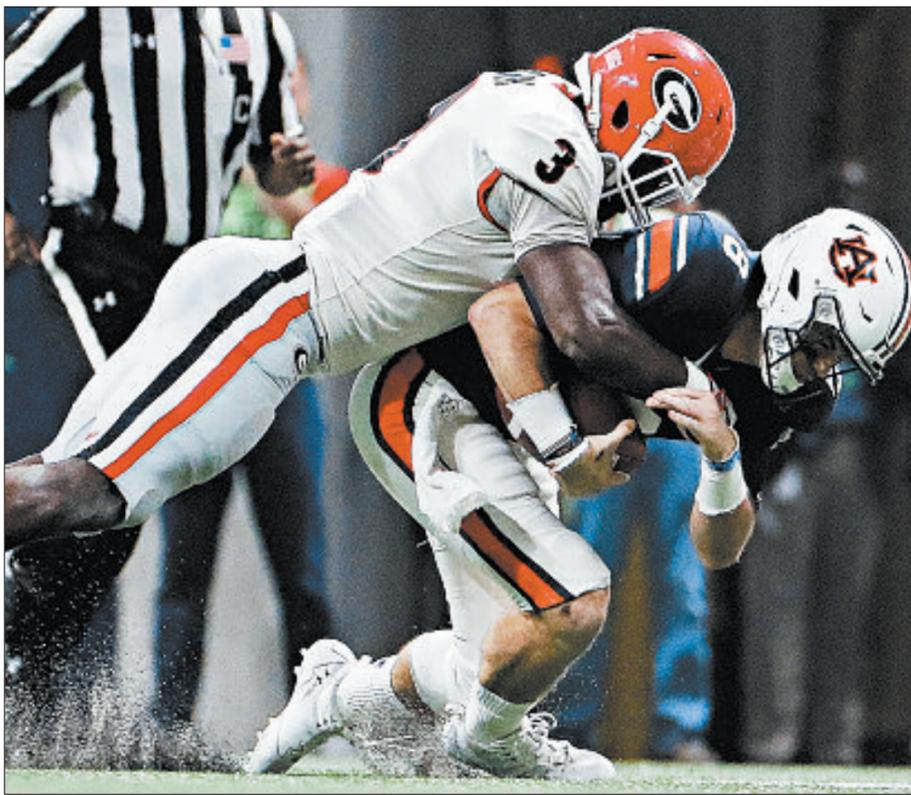
"I'm going to be so rich by the end of this," Carson told an interviewer as she instituted the policy en route to a seventh-place finish with Miller.

This time around Carson is paired with Mazdzer. Whether they too will need to clear the air — or have the sort of chemistry from which great teams are made — has yet to be seen and heard.

That's why people tune in each week: for what ABC's Jim McKay used to call "the human drama of athletic competition."

And they want to see what everyone is wearing.

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DAVID GOLDMAN/AP

Georgia linebacker Roquan Smith's biggest asset is speed — he ran a 4.51-second 40 at the NFL combine.

NFL DRAFT PREVIEW INSIDE LINEBACKERS

Chance to add depth

BY DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

As the NFL draft nears, we're taking a 10-day, position-by-position look at what's out there and what the Bears need. Here's our assessment of inside linebackers.

Bears status

The Bears are confident that if Danny Trevathan stays on the field, the linebacker can become the tone-setting leader and impact playmaker the middle of the defense needs. The defensive coaches are also bullish on Nick Kwiatkoski, whose instincts are a plus. Kwiatkoski has shown steady growth over his first two seasons and could become a long-term starter. John Timu and Jonathan Anderson have been valuable depth pieces and special teams contributors the last three seasons.

Level of draft need



Moderate: The Bears aren't desperate for help, but general manager Ryan Pace shouldn't get complacent with the current collection of players. The Bears need as much depth and competition as they can get to take their promising defense to the next level. That could mean adding an inside linebacker in the draft, potentially even with the No. 8 pick.

Top prospect

Roquan Smith, Georgia
6-1, 236 pounds
Worth a look: Smith posted a 4.51-second 40-yard dash at the combine, the second-fastest time among linebackers, and that speed is quite evident in his tape. He consistently makes his presence felt as a run defender and more than holds his own in pass coverage. He is disciplined, smart and has the instincts to be a high-level playmaker.
Stay away: Smith is on the smaller side and can sometimes get lost when taking on bigger blockers. He'll need to sharpen his vision and polish his technique to make strides at the next level.

Sleeper

Micah Kiser, Virginia
6-2, 240 pounds
Worth a look: Kiser led the ACC in tackles in each of his final three seasons. He is a solid run stopper who plays with a fearless edge.
Stay away: Athletically, he's nothing special and he may be significantly limited in pass coverage. His long-term value could be on special teams.

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Intriguing options

Tremaine Edmunds, Virginia Tech
6-5, 253 pounds
Worth a look: Upside, upside, upside — Edmunds won't turn 20 until the week after the draft. Coming into the league, he projects as an inside linebacker in a 3-4 system such as the Bears run, but he also has what NFL Network draft analyst Mike Mayock calls "a scary skill set as an edge rusher." Adds ESPN's Mel Kiper: "Freakish talent, just a top-level athlete." A high-motor guy with obvious versatility, Edmunds offers a rare combination of size and speed.
Stay away: Edmunds is still learning the game and doesn't have great instincts. He often relies on his athletic ability to make plays and can be overaggressive. He's still a bit raw, so a time investment would be needed to develop him.

Rashaan Evans, Alabama
6-3, 234 pounds
Worth a look: Evans could be a great value pick on Day 2, an accomplished off-the-ball linebacker who is a reliable tackler. He was converted from an edge rusher two years ago and showed impressive unselfishness and growth in making that move. Having played under Nick Saban at Alabama, Evans has polished fundamentals and prides himself on his football IQ.
Stay away: Durability might be an issue. Evans played through injuries each of the last two seasons, injuring his left groin in 2016 and his right groin last year. He'll also need to improve his reaction time to maximize his potential.

Josey Jewell, Iowa
6-1, 235 pounds
Worth a look: He is both named and nicknamed after the main character in Clint Eastwood's 1976 film, "The Outlaw Josey Wales." Jewell prides himself on his instincts and preparation habits, a big factor in the 134 tackles the All-American posted last season for the Hawkeyes. He earned his reputation as a steady leader with a relentless work ethic.
Stay away: Speed may be an issue, and Jewell's 40 time of 4.82 did little to alleviate those concerns. He also doesn't have prototypical NFL size and could become just an average guy at the next level.



DARRON CUMMINGS/AP



BRUCE GLIKAS/FILMMAGIC

Infamous figure skater Tonya Harding, shown with partner Sasha Farber, will compete in the athletes version of "Dancing with the Stars."

NBA PLAYOFFS HEAT 113, 76ERS 103

Wade's 28 power Heat, 76ers streak ends at 17

Associated Press

Dwyane Wade turned in a vintage performance, scoring 28 points to end the 76ers' 17-game winning streak and lead the Heat to a 113-103 Game 2 win that evened the first-round playoff series Monday night in Philadelphia.

"It's just in my DNA," Wade said. "I love the stage."

Playing without injured All-Star center Joel Embiid for the 10th straight game, the Sixers nearly pulled off an epic comeback and cut their deficit from 16 down to just two points late in the fourth quarter.

Philly fans were going wild, and suddenly the home-court edge that had made the Sixers unbeatable for a month seemed like it would perk the team back up for one more notch on the winning streak.

But Wade buried two big

buckets down the stretch that pushed back the Sixers and tied the series as it shifts to Miami for Game 3 on Thursday.

The Sixers lost for the first time since March 13 to the Pacers. They won 16 straight to end the regular season and the first game of the playoffs.

Wade carried the Heat in a sensational second quarter. He pump-faked his way to 15 points in the quarter — outscoring the Sixers by two.

The 36-year-old Wade made his first seven shots of the game and passed Larry Bird for 10th on the NBA's career postseason scoring list.

"I play the game for these moments," Wade said.

Mitchell's status: Jazz guard Donovan Mitchell has a left foot bruise, and his status is uncertain for Game 2 against the Thunder.

Mitchell left the Jazz's 116-108



CHRIS SZAGOLA/AP

Dwyane Wade shows some of his old form on his way to 28 points to lift the Heat to a Game 2 win.

loss in Game 1 Sunday after stubbing his toe in the third quarter, and he played sporadically the rest of the way.

Mitchell averaged 20.5 points, 3.7 rebounds and 3.7 assists in the regular season. He had 27 points and 10 rebounds in Game 1.

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

Leafs, Devils fight back with victories at home

Associated Press

Auston Matthews scored the go-ahead goal in the second period, Patrick Marleau had two goals, and the Maple Leafs defeated the Bruins 4-2 on Monday night in Toronto in Game 3 of their Eastern Conference first-round series.

James van Riemsdyk also scored, while Mitch Marner and Morgan Rielly added two assists each to help the Maple Leafs pull within 2-1 in the best-of-seven set. Frederik Andersen stopped 40 shots.

Adam McQuaid and Zdeno Chara scored the Bruins' goals, Sean Kuraly recorded two assists, and Tuukka Rask finished with 26 saves.

The Maple Leafs host Game 4 on Thursday night.

Matthews snapped a 2-2 tie with 5 minutes, 13 seconds left in the second period when he rifled a

shot short-side high on Rask from a sharp angle after a great feed down low by William Nylander.

Marleau, whose first score moved him past Gordie Howe for 17th place in career playoff goals, finished off the Bruins with 3:35 left when he cashed in on a 2-on-1 rush. Marleau now has 70 playoff goals.

Devils 5, Lightning 2: Taylor Hall had a goal and two assists, setting up Stefan Noesen's game-winner with 7:05 play, and the Devils scored four times in the third period to claw their way back into their Eastern Conference first-round series with the home victory.

Will Butcher had a power-play goal earlier in the third to tie the score at 2-2, and Blake Coleman and Ben Lovejoy added empty-net goals late as the Devils reduced the Lightning's series lead to 2-1.

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

Put on the receiving end

After lengthy period of interest, Rams acquire pass-catcher Cooks

BY GARY KLEIN
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — In four NFL seasons, receiver Brandin Cooks has played with two future Hall of Fame quarterbacks.

Drew Brees tossed passes to Cooks while he was with the Saints, and Tom Brady did the same last season after Cooks was traded to the Patriots.

Cooks, acquired by the Rams last week in a trade with the Patriots, said he learned much from playing with the two storied veterans and is looking forward to connecting with Jared Goff, the Rams' 23-year-old quarterback.

"I'm extremely excited about the opportunity to be able to grow with a young guy," Cooks, 24, said last week in Thousand Oaks, Calif. "I'm young myself."

"To be able to start that rapport this offseason I think is going to be extremely huge, and I look forward to getting to work right away."

The 5-foot-10, 189-pound Cooks replaces Sammy Watkins in what was one of the NFL's most productive offenses in 2017. The Rams led the league in scoring and ranked 10th in passing en route to winning the NFC West.

In the last few months, general manager Les Snead acquired several key defensive players, including cornerbacks Marcus Peters and Aqib Talib and defensive lineman Ndamukong Suh.

Cooks, three times a 1,000-yard receiver, was the first major addition on offense. Coach Sean McVay, the Rams' play-caller, said Cooks "fits really kind of in any system" and that his production "speaks for itself."

Others apparently spoke highly on Cooks' behalf when the Rams did a background check.

"I'm hard-pressed to remember a player (who has) gotten so many positive things said about him from different people he's been exposed to," McVay said.

Cooks grew up in Stockton, Calif., and played at Oregon State before the Saints selected him with the 20th pick in 2014 draft. He was traded to the Patriots for a first-round pick before last season, then caught 65 passes for 1,082 yards and seven touchdowns as the Patriots advanced to the Super Bowl.

But with Cooks having a salary of about \$8.5 million this season and the prospect of an extension that could double that figure in years to come, the Patriots dealt him and a fourth-round pick to the Rams for first-

and sixth-round picks in this month's draft.

Getting traded twice, Cooks said, is "part of the game — the business side of it." He said he has nothing but respect for the Patriots and coach Bill Belichick but is happy to be closer to home, possibly for a long time.

"Being back on the West Coast where the sun is shining every day — you can't complain about that," Cooks said. "As far as making this home, absolutely I'd love to do that."

Cooks arrives as the Rams are trying to work out an extension with star defensive lineman Aaron Donald and are adding the one-year, \$14 million salary for Suh. Extensions for running back Todd Gurley and Goff also are on the horizon in the next few years.

Safety Lamarus Joyner will play this season on an \$11 million franchise tag, and Peters will be in the final year of his rookie contract in 2019. Snead said the Rams' salary-cap situation would enable them to absorb the cost of building a winner.

"We have plenty of space over the next few years to be able to lock up these guys for the long term and have this core together," he said. "And that's the goal."

Asked if he wanted an extension in place before the start of the season or if he would monitor the market at its conclusion, Cooks said he was not "pressing" to get a long-term deal.

"I don't look at the market and get into what everyone else is getting (as a salary)," he said. "I'm focused on my situation, the blessing I'm able to receive, and at the end of the day they'll take care of that."

Cooks joins a receiving corps that includes fellow starters Robert Woods and Cooper Kupp. Josh Reynolds, Tavon Austin and Mike Thomas are other receivers who will compete for roles.

The Rams' interest in acquiring Cooks dated to before the 2017 season, Snead and McVay said. The Rams dangled cornerback Trumaine Johnson to the Saints as trade bait for Cooks, but the Patriots offered the Saints a first-round pick in the 2018 draft.

The Rams revisited the idea of acquiring Cooks after last season.

"Made a phone call to the Patriots relatively early in the game, and we've been discussing it for a while," Snead said.

The Rams also contacted the Giants about the possibility of trading for Odell Beckham Jr., who reportedly could not be had for less than two first-round



GUNTHER/EPA

Brandin Cooks, now with the Rams, caught 65 passes last season to help the Patriots return to the Super Bowl.

picks. "That wasn't anything that closed the deal," McVay said.

Said Snead, jokingly: "I think I did text Sean, 'Make sure you maybe mention something to Bill while you're there. Don't just talk football!'"

By giving up their first-

round pick for Cooks, the Rams will not make their first selection until the third round. They also have three fourth-round picks and four sixth-round selections.

The Rams believe the cost for acquiring Cooks was worth it.

As Peters and Talib noted when they were introduced

a few weeks ago, Cooks said he watched the Rams from afar last season and saw a group of hungry players on the rise.

He said he would put teammates' interests before his own and hoped they would return the favor. The lessons he learned from playing with Brees and

Brady, Cooks said, will serve him well.

"You talk about top-class professionals, the guys (who) perfect their craft every single day the best way they can," he said. "Picking that up as a young guy early in my career, I'm hoping I can come here and bring that."

NFL readies for its super-sized draft

Yes, everything will be bigger in Texas at AT&T Stadium

BY BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

Big D is about to stand for something other than Dallas. The NFL is bringing its Big D — the draft — to Jerry Jones' palace. This draft, the first in a stadium, will pay homage in so many ways to the cliché that everything is bigger in Texas.

Ever since the league decided to put the draft up for bids and move it around the country, the focus has been to make it grow even larger than the cottage industry it has become.

From a historic theater setting in Chicago, with Grant Park as the backdrop, to the front yard of the iconic Philadelphia Art Museum with the Rocky statue atop its steps, the picks have

become an accompaniment to the surroundings as much as a process in team building.

Now the draft enters a building that can hold 100,000 people, though capacity has been set at 20,000 inside for the April 26-28 proceedings.

Peter O'Reilly, the NFL's senior vice president for events and the man who oversees planning for the draft, Super Bowl and opening weekend of the season, projects another 90,000 fans daily will be outside AT&T Stadium at the NFL Draft Experience. Tickets are free, with fans having signed up via a ticket lottery for the chance to get into the Cowboys' home in Arlington, Texas.

"In some ways, this is easier than building a massive structure," O'Reilly said.

The league did exactly that last spring in Philly.

"The question is how to

turn a stadium into a winning draft environment. In Philadelphia, there was such a great energy and that is something we want to recreate," he said. "The draft is always special. It's the time of year, the return to spring and hope. No one wins or loses that day, there's positive vibes."

To that end, this draft will include specific cheering (and, yes, some will become booing) sections for all 32 teams. Modeled somewhat on how political convention floors look, each "inner circle" will have 50 fans of that club, with team signage and colors. Cheeseheads and Terrible Towels aren't likely to be optional for the Packers and Steelers fans, of course.

This special area features team rivalry zones, plus opportunities to celebrate the picks with NFL players current and past, including some Hall of Famers. O'R-

eilly notes that if a prospect chosen by that team is on hand, he will directly "connect with his new fan base."

Teams are using various means for choosing fans who get to sit in their exclusive club section. Buffalo, for example, has an extensive "Bills Backers" presence in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. One of the co-presidents of the fan club in that area, Ezra Castro, is a frequent visitor to New Era Field for Bills home games, despite the distance. Castro, known as "Pancho Billa" for his game-day costume that includes a sombrero and facemask, is battling cancer.

"We thought giving him the opportunity to bring 50 fans would show how much we appreciate him and empathize with his situation," said Shaena Kershner, the Bills' head of marketing.

Kershner adds the team will send a "hype person to get that group rowdy, which

is not very hard for our fans" when the Bills' turns come, as well as providing merchandise and memorabilia.

The Packers also went that route, offering inner-circle spots through a lottery to season ticket holders in the North Texas area, and then using the "Packers Everywhere" app to entice other Green Bay fans near the Cowboys stadium to attend. It wasn't difficult rounding up 50.

"We were hitting people who were interested and could commit to (the first two days of the draft)," said Kandi Goltz, the Packers' game and fan development manager. "We have avid fans coming and there will be a lot of enthusiasm."

Each Packers fan will have a cheesehead that the team is shipping to Dallas, although that might be superfluous because nearly every follower of the franchise owns one.

"It should look awesome on TV," Goltz said.

The Falcons are sending members of their independent supporters group "The Cast." Cast members are responsible for their own travel and expenses; the team blocked hotel rooms for them. At their inner circle will be Fatheads and drums.

The Falcons are sending cheerleaders too.

The five finalists to host the next two drafts are; Kansas City, Mo.; Nashville, Tenn.; Las Vegas; Canton/Cleveland; and Denver. Those drafts will awarded at the league meetings in May.

"We see it as an opportunity," O'Reilly said. "This model is never cookie-cutter, it is unique to what each town and club offers. It's not the same canvas in each place, but finding a way to bring it to life in that community."

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



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The amputation of her left leg didn't prevent Boston Marathon bombing survivor Rebekah Gregory from competing in the 2015 event along with her trainer, Artis Thompson.

Recovering from tragedy

Lives were lost in Boston Marathon bombing, but human spirit survived

BY WILLIAM J. KOLE | Associated Press

BOSTON — One was an attacker. One was a volunteer first responder. One lost her leg. Another lost his little boy. And a police officer very nearly lost his life.

A half-decade ago, these five lives probably never would have intersected. Then bombs bloodied the finish line of the Boston Marathon, killing three spectators, wounding 260 others and forever linking a villain to his victims and the heroes who rushed to help them.

The attacks of April 15, 2013, touched off a manhunt that mesmerized the world. Boston ordered its people to shelter in place. Red Sox and Bruins games were called off as police in tactical gear and armored vehicles fanned out across the city. Five days later, one bomber was dead, another was in custody and locals had united around a social media hashtag that gave voice to their grit and resilience: #BostonStrong.

Five years later, the Associated Press offers these snapshots:

Dzhokhar Tsarnaev

Then: College classmates knew him as "Jahar" — a goofy young man more interested in getting high than studying. But prosecutors say he and older brother Tamerlan became radicalized after the family moved to the U.S. from Russia in 2002. Video shows the brothers mingling with the crowd near the marathon finish, their backpacks concealing crude pressure-cooker bombs. Prosecutors said the brothers wanted to retaliate against the U.S. for its actions in Muslim countries. Tamerlan later was killed in a shootout with police; Dzhokhar was captured hiding in a boat.

Now: Tsarnaev, 24, has been on federal death row since his 2015 conviction for deadly use of a weapon of mass destruction and other counts. He is being held at the supermax prison in Florence, Colo. Jurors approved death by lethal injection, but years of appeals await.

In his own words: "Stop killing our innocent people and we will stop," he scribbled inside the boat before his capture.



STEVEN SENNE/AP

Red Sox player Hanley Ramirez, left, talks with Carlos Arredondo, who threw out the first pitch Sunday. Arredondo saved the life of a Boston Marathon spectator in 2013.

Rebekah Gregory

Then: Gregory was near the finish line with her 5-year-old son, Noah, and her boyfriend when bomb shrapnel shredded her left leg. She later wed the boyfriend in a ceremony featured on TLC's "Say Yes to the Dress." But in the emotional aftermath — after enduring dozens of operations in a desperate effort to keep what remained of her leg, she finally had it amputated below the knee to stop her chronic pain — the marriage ended.

Now: Gregory not only survived but thrived. She married her college sweetheart and had a daughter, Ryleigh, despite being told she probably couldn't have any more children. She established the Rebekah's Angels Foundation to help children with post-traumatic stress disorder and wrote a book, "Taking My Life Back."

In her own words: "Normalcy goes out the window. You have to figure out how to piece your life back together. I wake up just grateful to be alive and have one more moment with my husband and our beautiful children. You count your blessings or you count your problems."

Carlos Arredondo

Then: Millions know him as the man in the cowboy hat who helped save the life of marathon spectator Jeff Bauman, the double amputee played by Jake Gyllenhaal in the 2017 movie "Stronger." Arredondo had become an antiwar activist and suicide-prevention advocate after one son was fatally shot by a sniper in Iraq and another killed himself, and he was at the finish line handing out American flags when the bombs went off.

Now: Arredondo volunteers with the Red Cross, and his Arredondo Family Foundation works to prevent military-related suicides and hands out Thanksgiving turkeys to veterans and their families.

In his own words: "What many people don't realize is that first responders also go through some of the same trauma as survivors. I've been dealing with some issues, but that doesn't slow me down."

Bill Richard

Then: Richard, wife Denise and their three



ELISE AMENDOLA/AP

Dic Donohue nearly died in 2013 after fire exchange with the marathon bombers.

children were all at the finish that fateful day. Martin, 8, was standing next to one of the bombs; he died on the sidewalk. The bright-eyed little boy lives on in a widely circulated photo showing him holding a poster he had created the year before with the message: "No more hurting people — peace."

Now: Richard and his wife astonished many by asking that Tsarnaev be spared the death penalty. In Martin's memory, they've since set up a foundation and helped create a new park downtown where kids can play.

In his own words: "Good will always triumph. It's really not even close."

Dic Donohue

Then: When police in suburban Watertown frantically radioed that they were exchanging fire with the suspected marathon bombers, officers from virtually every law-enforcement agency nearby responded. Donohue, a transit police cop, soon found himself in a firefight. A bullet likely fired by a fellow officer severed his femoral artery. Donohue's heart stopped — he had lost so much blood, it had almost nothing left to pump.

Now: After being promoted to sergeant, Donohue retired from the Boston transit police, citing complications from his injuries. He and his wife since have welcomed two more sons, and Donohue is now a public speaker and officer safety trainer.

In his own words: "I try not to dwell on the past. I'm in pain every day, but I don't let it get the best of me. These days I'm making an impact in a completely different way."



Rainn Wilson, Celeste M. Cooper and Audrey Francis in "The Doppelgänger," written by Matthew-Lee Erlbach, at Steppenwolf.

IN PERFORMANCE 'The Doppelgänger (an international farce)' ★★ 1/2

Wilson rules world

'Office' star sets a torrid pace in gutsy, messy farce

BY CHRIS JONES
 Chicago Tribune

Can you combine the post-colonial atrocities, the internal corruption, the ceaseless profiteering that still afflicts Africa, the mother continent of humanity, with the rubric of a knockdown, drag-out, no-holds-barred farce?

That, in essence, is the challenge posed by the truly gutsy latest project at the Steppenwolf Theatre, "The Doppelgänger (an international farce)," an epic world premiere by Matthew-Lee Erlbach that sticks all of the usual stuff of the genre — you know, the bedrooms, the doors, the mistaken identity, the funny voices, the exploding props, the characters appearing without their pants — inside a play

that also has righteous points to make about how the forces of international development invariably manage to enrich the already enriched while failing to improve the lot of the ordinary worker. (Sound familiar?)

We're not in a seaside hotel, nor backstage at a theater, nor at the sexy doctor's office. But the director, Tina Landau, is still in charge of a mad, mad, mad world. We just happen to be in Bangui, the Francophone capital of the Central African Republic.

The play — frankly — is a bit of a lovable mess at this juncture. But that isn't a consequence of a bad idea. If anything, it flows from a plethora of great ideas, as if Erlbach wanted to pay homage to every traditional farce he ever had seen and still

preserve the originality of his own conception. As a result, the curtain came down on "The Doppelgänger" some 2 hours and 40 minutes from the advertised start, which is fine if, say, you're doing the great works of Wole Soyinka or Ngugi wa Thiong'o, but is at least 20 minutes too long for a farce, even one with Africa in its corner.

And at times at Sunday's opening, you could read fear on the faces of some in the very game and talented cast, as if there was less than total surety as to which door would be opening next, and whose naked posterior would be revealed. Given the frenetic nature of the writing, you easily could imagine Erlbach out in the

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STEVE JOHNSON

5 THOUGHTS ON 'WALKING DEAD' SEASON 8 FINALE

Emotional ending and a peek into the future

I've got to confess: I teared up a little there. I'm not sure those tears were fairly won on Sunday's season finale of "The Walking Dead," an episode that gave us, at last, the end of the All-Out War.

I'm not sure I shouldn't be approaching the end of the eighth season with the same skepticism that has carried me through seasons 7 and 8 of AMC's zombie apocalypse series.

But eye moisture is eye moisture. No matter how many slightly exasperating moments may have led you to them, tears don't lie. When push came to shove, and — spoiler alert — Rick's two-TV-year-long battle with Negan was ending with Rick's forces on the winning side, I got verklempt.

Please let it be something about building a new society

It happened abruptly, absolutely. After a storyline played out minute by minute, all of a sudden, Negan's forces were facing Rick's forces on a hillside and, all of a sudden, it was pretty much over.

But the good news is that this allows things to move forward, to show us what kind of society Rick and Maggie and Daryl and Jesus will build next year, to see what the people in the helicopters want, and to demonstrate what Georgie in her traveling caravan o' the future has in mind.

Please let it be something about building a new society and curing this dread disease that has loosed a plague of zombies upon the land. Let it be more than the appearance of another tribal group to battle.

But first let's look back on what happened Sunday. Here are five thoughts recapping Episode 16 of Season 8 of "The Walking Dead," the season finale and the One in Which Eugene Showed His Stripes:

1 The battle was, to say the least, anticlimactic.

Let's go back in time and remember how we got here. Last season, Negan executed Glenn and Abraham, two of the stalwarts of Rick's forces.

Since then, there's been a kind of epic turf battle between the Alexandria/Hilltop/Kingdom forces aligned

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Rick Tuttle, an artist who ran artful bookstore in Michigan



RIK KOGAN
Sidewalks

The small southwestern Michigan town of Three Oaks — 1,500 permanent residents, give or take — is filled with galleries, theaters, people who appreciate art and those who make it.

The gifted Chicago writer Blue Balliett, who spent time living

there while researching her best-selling 2010 book, "The Danger Box," fell in love with the village and used it as the setting for that book. She says, "Three Oaks is a magical place."

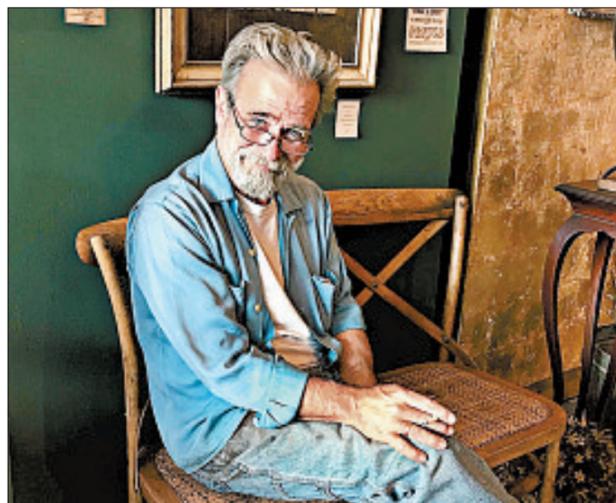
But it has been less so recently because on March 28, one of the town's most active and artful residents died after a short battle with lung cancer. His name was Rick Tuttle. He was 66 years old, his life spent in passionate creativity and enthusiastic living.

David Fink, founder and owner of the town's Acorn Theater since 2002, says, "Rick Tuttle was the

epicenter of the town. He created spaces that, like Rick, were full of hyphens. His buildings were bookstore-gallery-party space-salon-florist shop-poetry center-whatsoever. Like a lot of people here, Rick was a man of many talents and none defined by his jobs. He was generous and committed to making Three Oaks the community he envisioned.

"He was a wry, cynical optimist who did everything with passion. His anger at injustice was overshadowed by his love for simple

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BARBARA PRESTI PHOTO

Rick Tuttle, a man of many interests, lived in Three Oaks, Mich.

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Most don't think Underwood's face looks any different

Carrie Underwood made her first public appearance at the 2018 ACM Awards on Sunday night after warning fans for months that she might look different after taking a horrific fall in her Nashville, Tenn., home and getting 40 to 50 stitches in her face.

The 35-year-old country star, above, won a standing ovation and raves on Twitter for her emotional performance of her new single "Cry Pretty."

But most who watched Underwood's much-hyped appearance, which included the unveiling of her post-accident face, think she looks the same. They couldn't detect any signs that she had been scarred or otherwise disfigured in the accident.

For months since what Underwood called her Nov. 10 "freak, random accident," the singer wouldn't bare her full face to cameras. She also kept selfies and photos of herself to a minimum.

Ahead of her performance, she shared a close-up of her face from Saturday night. It was the first shot of her full face that she had posted in a long time.

But from how Underwood looked at the ACM Awards on Sunday, it appears that any differences are in fact minimal, if they exist at all.

People on social media wondered what all big fuss was about, with some proclaiming she looks "as pretty as ever."

— Martha Ross, East Bay Times



CHRIS PIZZELLO/INVISION

Beyoncé donations: Beyoncé, above, paid tribute to historically black colleges during her groundbreaking Coachella performance, and now the singer is donating \$100,000 to four black universities. The superstar singer announced Monday the Homecoming Scholars Award Program for the 2018-2019 academic year through her BeyGOOD initiative. She plans to give \$25,000 each to Tuskegee University, Bethune-Cookman University, Xavier University of Louisiana and Wilberforce University.

Stamos a dad: Actor John Stamos is a father. The 54-year-old announced on Instagram the birth of his son, Billy Stamos. Stamos says the child is named after the actor's father. Stamos says, "From now on, the best part of me will always be my wife and son." Stamos and Caitlin McHugh, 31, married in February.

Springsteen and mom: Bruce Springsteen treated his 92-year-old mother to an early birthday celebration before Mother Nature spoiled the party. The 68-year-old Boss and his mom, Adele, danced to two songs Sunday night at the Wonder Bar in Asbury Park, N.J., before severe storms caused the club to lose power. They were there to see the Eddie Testa Band, reportedly one of Adele's favorite bands. Adele Springsteen turns 93 on May 4.

April 17 birthdays: Actress Olivia Hussey is 67. Actor Sean Bean is 59. Actress Lela Rochon is 54. Rapper-actor Redman is 48. Designer Victoria Beckham is 44.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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What to do about racist family photo

Dear Amy: I am in a quandary. When my husband and his brothers divided up my in-laws' possessions after my father-in-law died, we received the majority of photos. I finally have time to go through and sort them.

In the process, I came upon a very large photo that was taken in 1934 and it showed everyone from my mother-in-law's Halloween office party.

Almost everyone in the photo is dressed in a costume, and that's where my problem comes in. There must be about 50 to 70 people in the very large photo, and four of them are in black face. Although I am appalled by this, I also feel that it is a piece of my husband's family history. I have told my children about it and, while no one is OK with it, they are also torn because it is part of the past that is appalling, but their grandmother is in the photo.

I feel it's something that needs to be addressed, because (to paraphrase a great quote), if we don't learn from history, we're bound to repeat it.

— Photo Finished

Dear Finished: I just finished reading an article by prominent African-American scholar and Harvard professor Henry Louis Gates (also the host of "Finding Your Roots," on PBS) on whether artifacts such as this should be kept, or burned in a massive hellfire.

After outlining both sides of the argument, Gates comes down on the side of saving these heinous reminders of racism that Americans have both inflicted and

endured, for the exact reason you cite: the need not to repeat history.

You should consider donating this photo to an archive that will place it into context. Harvard University houses an extensive collection called: "Image of the Black in Western Art archive," comprised of over 26,000 images, some of which are quite obviously and overtly racist. You should also discuss this openly in your family; it is a perfect illustration of how racism is shot through our country's history, revealed even in something as benign as an office Halloween party.

Dear Amy: I met a girl at community college. We had two classes together and started talking. We exchanged phone numbers. We would talk, and at times I would help her with her homework.

I hinted that I liked her. I thought she was showing the same thing.

She was finishing her studies, and I was transferring to a four-year school. When the semester was over I tried asking her out three times.

The first time she told me she was visiting family during the holidays, the next two times she told me that she had to work. Our text exchanges got to the point where she would send me "conversation ending" texts. I would text her, "How are you today?" and her response would be, "Good" — pretty much ending the conversation.

At this point I felt that she only used me to help her finish her classes. I let it go, but a month later when I started my university courses, I get a text

from her out of the blue, saying things like I was smart and so on.

I imagine that she was drunk texting. So I sent her a one-word response.

It's been about two weeks since I texted her and I don't know if I should try again.

— Confused

Dear Confused: It's possible that she was using you for homework help, but you can't really know. It sounds to me like your former classmate liked studying and spending time with you, but tried to let you down easy, and then got back in touch to see if you were able to be friends. Now you are blowing her off.

It seems like neither of you are getting what you want out of this relationship; now that you are at a full-time school, you have opportunities to meet new friends and find other potential dates. This time, leave the hinting at home: If you like someone, tell them. Then there's a possibility of avoiding the drama and getting to go out with a person you like.

Dear Amy: "Worried Mom in California" was freaking out because she found a vaping unit in her daughter's purse. Thank you for discussing the unknown health risks of vaping.

— Worried Parent

Dear Worried: Vaping has become an increasing challenge in high schools. Parents should be aware of this, but no, I don't think they should freak out.

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Suspense, intrigue set these shows apart from pack

BY LLOYD SACHS
Chicago Tribune

The welcome return of “Bosch,” a strong sequel (of sorts) to “Narcos,” another dark, intriguing mystery from Belgium: Sometimes there’s reason to turn to tried and true sources of top-notch suspense. These series are first-rate.

“Bosch” (Season 4, Amazon). There has never been a better TV adaptation of an American detective series than “Bosch,” which continues its impressive run by flawlessly picking up where it left off. In Season 4 (three episodes of which were made available to review), taciturn LA cop Harry Bosch (the terrific Titus Welliver) is after the killer of a high-powered civil rights attorney (“Homicide” veteran Clark Johnson) who is about to

go to war in court with the LAPD. The victim’s wife and son scoff at the idea of a cop honestly investigating a murder likely committed by one of his own. But they don’t know Bosch, who makes a habit of swimming against the current. Just ask Walker (John Getz), the head of the police commission, whom Harry is close to nailing as the murderer of Bosch’s mother.

As ever, “Bosch” gets everything right, from the LA atmosphere to the quirks of secondary characters to the relationship between Bosch and his adorable teenage daughter (Madison Lintz). The great Sarah Clarke is back in the spotlight as Harry’s ex-wife, an FBI profiler turned professional gambler who, as a freelancer for the agency, is putting herself in danger by infiltrating a Chinese gambling ring.

Along with Hulu’s excellent “Cardinal,” based on Canadian Giles Blunt’s novels, mystery fans now have the rare opportunity to watch not just one but two splendid crime series from North America.

“Tabula Rasa” (Netflix). Seldom has the old amnesia ploy yielded the level of intrigue it does in this stylish nine-part series from Belgium (which, with “The Break” and “Hotel Belle Sejour,” is on a Netflix hot streak). In a dynamic performance, series co-creator Veerle Baetens plays Mie (short for An-nemi), a onetime theater star with a traumatic past who is suffering from short-term memory loss. That’s bad news for the grizzled detective, who, based on an eyewitness account of Mie being the last person to be seen with

a vanished local man, presses her — in rather unseemly fashion — for details. “Tabula Rasa” alternates in tantalizing, pretzel-like fashion between the present, where Mie is confined to a psychiatric ward and looked after by a suspicious female psychiatrist, and the recent past, where she lives with her husband and little girl in her late grandfather’s country house — which, partly based on their odd behavior, she increasingly thinks is haunted.

Just how shaky her grasp on reality is conveyed through the eerie profusions of red sand she sees pour from objects and people when she enters a high state of stress. Her book of jottings and drawings becomes not only essential to Mie keeping track of her life in the hospital (where her best friend

is a well-read pyromaniac) but also a key to her survival in a world where everyone and everything is up for grabs.

“The Mechanism” (Netflix). Like his previous Netflix series, “Narcos,” about Colombian drug king Pablo Escobar, director Jose Padilha’s new fact-based eight-parter, “The Mechanism,” is a study in setbacks — ones that keep sending police investigators back to an increasingly threadbare drawing board. In the case of Operacao Lava Jato, or Operation Car Wash, a task force is after the corrupt officials behind an earthshaking kickback and money-laundering scheme involving Brazil’s state-owned oil company. Police deputy Marco Ruffo (Selton Mello) becomes so frustrated in his inability to nail a Teflon-like money

launderer that he shoots himself in the head — only to have the bullet weirdly deflected, leading to his return to what has become a dramatically bigger deal. “The Mechanism” is not the explosive nail-biter that “Narcos” was. It proceeds deliberately, with little violence and a preponderance of meetings in quiet, shadow-streaked rooms. For determined task force head Verena Cardoni (Caroline Abras), the case is complicated by her romance with a prosecutor whose willingness to accept soft plea deals is maddening — like everything and just about everyone else in a country whose embrace of democracy after years of military rule is decidedly weak.

Lloyd Sachs, a freelancer, writes regularly about crime fiction for the Tribune.

A frenzied farce

Doppelganger, from Page 1

house, firing up a few more pages with seconds to go before opening. Freeze, man, freeze.

Mercifully for everyone in all corners of the theater, “The Doppelganger” stars Rainn Wilson, best known for his many seasons on “The Office,” and Wilson, who is both a generous ensemble actor and an inveterate, scene-stealing creature of the boards, delivers the kind of boffo star turn that we rarely see in Chicago. He’s the glue that keeps the excrement from hitting the fan, which is, in fact, literally the contents of one scene in the show.

(So when they’re thinking about what to cut ...)

Wilson plays the leading character, a British copper magnate named Thomas Irdley, who inadvertently takes a tranquilizer intended for a zebra and, following a bout of fencing, finds himself out cold and

stuffed inside a closet by his own maid, Rosie Guerekoyame (Celeste M. Cooper), who is not really a maid but a political activist incognito *in situ*. This temporarily incapacitated gent — who hopes to make a fortune out of his cozy governmental relationships — has a doppelganger (aha!) in one Jimmy Peterson, a kindergarten teacher from Quincy, Ill., who is in Bangui because ... well it’s never entirely clear nor credible. But no matter. He’s played by Wilson too. How, you wonder? The key is the fencing, which uses face masks.

So with the irked Irdley zonked out in a closet and his wife, Theresa (Sandra Marquez), oblivious to his fate, that allows the look-alike Illini to run riot with a motley crew, to wit: the entrepreneurial General Stanley Harcourt (Michael Accardo); Beatrix Geddes-Renwick, a British government official (Audrey Francis); Wen Xiaoping, a tech



Celeste M. Cooper, left, Rainn Wilson and Audrey Francis in “The Doppelganger,” directed by Tina Landau.

dude in need of cheap copper (Whit K. Lee); Prince Amir Abdullah, a sexy sheik (Andy Nagraj); Marina, a wholly mysterious personage (Karen Rodriguez); Beau D’ouble, never mind (Dan Plehal); and the ruling couple of Lolade Masaragba (Ora Jones) and Michel Masaragba, no problem at all for James Vincent Meredith, whose farcical chops were honed on the road for months by playing Mafala

Hatimbi in “The Book of Mormon.”

That’s a lot of characters — a couple too many, to my mind — but every last performer has their moment in the sun. A few of the gags don’t work — it was never clear to me why a dummy kept falling from the air — but many of them do. And there are some funny lines.

“Is that one of your bisexual states?” asks the hilarious Francis’ Brit, of the Commonwealth of

When: Through May 27
Where: Steppenwolf Theatre, 1650 N. Halsted St.
Running time: 2 hours, 25 minutes
Tickets: \$20-\$114 at 312-335-1650 or www.steppenwolf.org

Virginia.

“Swing states,” comes the reply.

From there, it’s an easy trek to the spawn of Steve Bannon.

Cooper has the most imposing structural job: She’s the normative character that every farce needs (think Polly the waitress in “Fawlty Towers”), trying to stop the world from falling apart. Except here she also has an agenda. That’s a heck of a lot to play at once, and Cooper, who has an exhausting assignment, does everything she possibly can.

But this is Wilson’s show — he really is a blast all night, and reason enough for his fans to make a pilgrimage to the Wolf, ideally after letting this thing jell for another week. He just works at a faster, wackier

pace than everyone else on the stage.

The main structural issue that really needs fixing in the play is what needs and desires are supposedly driving the action: there’s the overall motivation for profit, of course, but Erlbach truly has yet to convert that into moment-by-moment tension. Especially in the middle sections of the show, the big picture pixelates, leaving the gags to live and die on their own. Landau and her cast — all operating on a tricked-out setting by Todd Rosenthal — are up to the challenge in most cases. But the show needs a macro acceleration. The best farces are like runaway cars heading down mountains. Fueled by human anxiety, they go faster and faster, arriving at their destinations only seconds before they crash and fall apart.

A rush for the border — that’s what this international farce still needs.

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Pianist Evgeny Kissin plays with the Emerson String Quartet at Orchestra Hall on Sunday.

IN PERFORMANCE

Kissin and Emerson quartet ride wave to a perfect ending

BY ALAN ARTNER
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An encore is an audience demand made on performers through applause. It insists on something more, something added to what had been on the scheduled program.

Performers usually respond to the demand with a change of pace, showing a different dimension than what had come before. Less common is an even larger helping of what had been provided all along.

Sunday at Orchestra Hall, the Emerson String Quartet and pianist Evgeny Kissin chose the second alternative, delivering in a single encore the afternoon’s strongest and most fitting realization of the approach taken in everything else on the recital.

The encore was the third movement of Dmitri Shostakovich’s Opus 57 Piano Quintet. It is one of the composer’s headlong scherzos, taunting, grinding and stabbing. Ideally it requires a superman approach, with hard, big sonorities implacably barreling through. The more the strings sound acid-toned and the piano xylophonelike, the better. And, rightly, the perform-

ance Sunday elicited from an already enthusiastic audience still louder screams of admiration.

Everything on the announced program seemingly built toward that, gradually gaining in force and appropriateness. Not that any of the composers specified so high a degree of power and virtuosity. Their charm, delicacy, wistfulness and rusticity were here only hinted at. Being mighty was the thing, and if Dvorak’s Second Piano Quintet bore it more ably than piano quartets by Mozart (K. 478) and Faure (Opus 15), its kaleidoscope of shadings and feelings was likewise glossed over when not lost.

The piano’s initial attack in the Mozart was, in a sense, the rest of the program in microcosm: outsized, muscular and bold. The days of fragility or inwardness in Mozart are over. In its place is robust, rosy, note-perfect clarity. Which this time meant a narrow range of volume and attack that made little of Mozart’s impish, repeated contrasts of loud and soft.

Faure’s First Piano Quartet delivered more of the same, with greater density. It is poised near the begin-

ning of decadent richness, yet its “French” sonorities also hold a sparkling lightness, particularly in its scherzo. Here the players’ high power went against a sense of notes being merely flicked off. Still, the expressiveness of the following slow movement fulfilled Faure’s demand for the ultimate in sweetness at its end, despite everything else sounding decisive and rugged.

Dvorak’s quintet was once more titanic and relentless, barely tranquil when the composer directs it and restrained in wistfulness in the folklike slow movement. The scherzo, marked “furiante,” certainly was rapid and fiery but less bounding in the character of a Bohemian dance than high-pressured, as was the finale.

Did it work? Superficially, yes. The audience, including members seated onstage, instantly sprang to its feet, clamoring for an encore that turned out to be the most justified interpretation of all.

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RECORDINGS

John Prine gets surreal once more about love and death

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John Prine is in no hurry to record albums anymore. In contrast to the 1970s, when great songs poured out of him, the singer has pulled back in the last couple of decades to tend to family and health issues (two bouts with cancer). Though “The Tree of Forgiveness” (Oh Boy Records) represents his first release of original material since 2005, the singer doesn’t treat it like a comeback or any sort of majestic occasion. Instead, he sounds as if he’s singing in his living room with a few friends.

It’s not an obscure bunch of pals, exactly. His accomplices as songwriters and performers include Jason Isbell, Brandi Carlile, the Black Keys’ Dan Auerbach and Amanda Shires, but this is less about all-star glitter than off-the-cuff camaraderie.

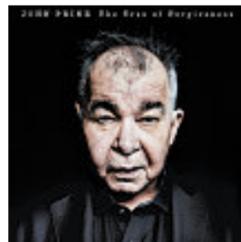
The arrangements magnify the casual vibe — the brisk strumming of acoustic guitars and mandolins, the conversational vocals, the sound of hands clapping. The singer even takes a whirl on a theremin.

This is the kind of record that preschoolers would find catchy enough to sing along with, accompanied by their grandparents. And yet, the wry, trippy humor and image-rich wordplay often feel futuristic, in the way they conflate time and space, sometimes wondrously, sometimes darkly.

“I live down deep inside my head,” Prine sings, in a voice that has turned to gravel yet remains impish, convivial, even when the news isn’t always good. “Well, you wished you’d left/Your well enough alone/When you got hell to pay,” he draws on the cinematic “Egg & Daugh-



John Prine, shown in 2017, has some special guests on his first album of original material in 13 years.



‘The Tree of Forgiveness’

John Prine
★★★ (out of 4)

ter Nite, Lincoln Nebraska, 1967 (Crazy Bone),” punctuated by a gruff, wordless vocal melody.

“Caravan of Fools” sounds vaguely political, and it’s darker still. These songs serve as reminders of the world that lurks on the fringes of these narrators’ lives, characters who have been knocked around a bit and could easily tilt into oblivion. Their mistakes haunt but don’t break them, and they’re provided a glimpse of redemption in “Summer’s End,” “I Have Met my Love Today” and “Boundless Love.”

These are songs in

which the rogues stumble into grace, and feel somehow unworthy of it, but are grateful for its arrival nonetheless. In Prine’s songwriting, there’s a generosity of spirit that transcends the everyday. He even finds empathy for a disenfranchised planet on the weirdly touching “Lonesome Friends of Science.”

As the album closes, the 71-year-old singer muses about “When I Get to Heaven.” The sound of children’s voices can be heard squealing in the background, kazooes tootle and Prine’s wordless vocals imitate a ragtime band.

He’s in such a buoyant mood that he’s even willing to forgive the critics that done him wrong and buy those “syphilitic parasites” a pint of ale. No, Prine, isn’t scared of dying. For him, heaven is like a neighborhood bar, a place “deep inside my head” where smoking’s allowed, the vodka and ginger ales flow, and there’s a Tilt-a-Whirl outside.

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Artist focused on work and community

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pleasures in life. A drink, time with a friend, a dance (and he would dance without shame and with zest), a tight and serious hug, and regular verbal affirmations were regular parts of Rick's life. He loved his wives and his friends with a sincerity that made us feel more important and loved than anyone could imagine."

Richard Daer Tuttle was born in Chicago on July 1, 1951. His father, Richard, was an artist and designer and his mother, LaVerne, instilled in him a lifelong love of books. He was a free spirit who, after graduating high school, moved to Costa Rica where he married for the first time, had a child and discovered the painting and literature of that area.

Back in Chicago, he began his career as a graphic artist, working for some of the city's large advertising agencies before starting his own firm, RT2 Design, which had clients in the business and cultural worlds, among them Southport Records, for which he made its eye-catching logo. He also did design work for the Blue Rider Theater Company.

That was the troupe founded by writer/director/actress Donna Blue Lachman. After seeing her perform in her "The Language of Birds: Rosa Luxemburg and Me" in 1994, Tuttle wrote her a fan letter with a pressed flower in it. She called him. They met and were engaged eight weeks later. Married, they moved in 2004 from their Pilsen loft into what had been their summer home in Three Oaks. She became head of the drama department at La Lumiere School,



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Rick Tuttle's artistry included reimagining worn book covers ("One Hundred Years of Solitude" by Gabriel Marquez).

"He was a wry, cynical optimist who did everything with passion."

— David Fink on Rick Tuttle

a LaPorte, Ind., boarding school with an international student body. He bought a small red house in town and transformed it into a place he called B Books.

He had by then been combining his varied interests in a new and spectacular way, transforming books into visual works of art. "It all started because I couldn't afford to collect really fine editions of books," he told me long ago. "I would buy these crummy old editions, with tattered covers and broken spines, and I just one day was compelled to mend them."

His first creation was a leather binding for Jack Kerouac's "On the Road," with a tire tread worked into its cover. Next was a first edition of Gabriel Garcia Marquez's "One Hundred Years of Solitude," for which he built a walnut slipcase. And there was a copy of Edgar Rice Burroughs' "Tarzan of the Apes," encased in a log.

He first exhibited this work at a 2001 show at the Union League Club of Chicago and later at various galleries here and in Michigan. "I look at books as a way of exploring the world I want to live in," said Tut-

tle, who was also a talented writer, named the first poet laureate of Three Oaks in 2006.

Not only did his store contain many of Tuttle's own literature-as-art pieces, but hundreds of other less embellished volumes: first editions, poetry, beat generation "bibles," Latin American literature, sheet music, pulp fiction, jazz and spoken word LPs.

"Rick would host the best gatherings there, many of them spontaneously," said Fink. "All sorts of people were welcome and part of the fabric of the worlds

he created."

He and Lachman eventually divorced. "That was not a pleasant time," says Lachman. "But it does not diminish the fact that he was a passionate man, a great craftsman who put everything into his art. All of his passions found new life in his art. He really was a Renaissance man."

He met his future wife Barbara Presti when she walked into B Books. A visual artist and Park Ridge native who had moved to the area in the wake of 9/11, she owned and operated Tree Line Farms, a garden-flowers-produce operation

not far from the center of town, and helped found the town's popular weekly farmers market.

They married in 2012, and there would be a couple of versions of B Books until last year when the couple opened a shop they called Fleuracity Florals & Design. As Presti told a local newspaper at the time, "I do flowers and Rick does art, so it's a combination of both our talents."

The store also contained much of Tuttle's art work. "Last summer he sold more art than ever before," said Presti. "He was so proud and happy."

But a few months ago, a trip to the hospital while he was suffering from pneumonia led to the discovery of cancer. He underwent a number of tests and just one treatment.

Presti was with him virtually every moment during the last weeks of his life, holding his hand when he died at their home. He had also been visited in those final days by Lachman, his mother and his son and grandson. "And many others. He had a lot of friends because he was such a generous person, so much fun and intelligent," said Presti. "He was also a man of great conviction, a proud man who lived and died that way."

In addition to his wife and mother, Tuttle is survived by sister Tracey McCallion, son Dylan Frey Tuttle and grandson Sigge Finn Tuttle.

A celebration of Tuttle's life is scheduled for June 3 at the Acorn Theater, 107 Generation Drive, Three Oaks; www.acorntheater.org

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Surrender marks end of All-Out War

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with Rick and the Savior forces aligned with Negan. Rick has vowed to kill Negan. Negan has wavered between murder and subjugation, but on balance has been leaning toward murder.

For all that posturing, Sunday's final conflict was over in almost a heartbeat. Negan's weaponry didn't work as expected, and some unexpected people showed up to fight against his people, and, boom, there was an almost full surrender.

I can't say it was disappointing because, as I mentioned, I found it all fairly emotional. But if I harden my gaze a bit, I think it could have been handled with a little more finesse.

We lived with this fight for 30-plus TV hours, and as much as I was ready to get to the next chapter, ending this one in the snap of a finger doesn't sit entirely right.

2 Eugene is a good guy, after all. Sort of. The most decisive blow Sunday came when Negan's forces reared up to fire on Rick's, pulled the trigger and, blammo, their munitions exploded in their guns.

You immediately suspected this was the work of Eugene, the longtime ally of Rick and company who had switched sides to the Savivors but who kept showing signs of divided loyalty.

When Eugene was entrusted by Negan to resupply the Savivors' ammunition, he apparently saw his chance, supervising an operation that produced round after round that would do its damage inside the gun rather than across a distance.

"I introduced a sabotaging aspect to the manufacturing process, unbeknownst to my colleagues," Eugene later confesses, following his trademark pattern of talking as if paid by the syllable.

This decisive maneuver isn't quite enough for Rosita who, even after hearing his confession, still gives him a hard sock to the jaw. Is she still mad at



GENE PAGE/AMC

"The Walking Dead" tied up a few loose ends in its Season 8 wrapup Sunday and also left plenty more on the table for next season.

him for throwing up on her last week, or is it more about the damage he did during his period of defection? My money's on the latter.

3 The Oceanside finally decided that Switzerland's was not the policy to emulate. The series' community of women living along the shore at last stepped up.

As the battle is happening and Negan's people are hurting from their guns blowing up, here come the Oceansiders to deliver a crippling blow as other Savivors mount an attack on the Hilltop. Apparently, Aaron's near-suicidal move to stay in their vicinity and sacrifice his health in order to bring them into the fold has paid off.

His pitch was that they needed to take action against the Savivors or they'd never have peace. Take action they did. Not long after the Oceanside dominated in its portion of the battle, the Negan folks surrendered.

"Don't shoot, please,"

said their de facto leader. "We're done. It's over."

4 Rick and Negan still have to work out their grievance, however. Down a hill, under a tree, oblivious to what their troops might be doing in the background, the two alphas go at it. Each has vowed to kill the other. Each has received a letter from Rick's dead son Carl urging them to bury the hatchet, and not in each other.

The fight is quick and brutal. Negan seemingly gets the upper hand. He tells Rick that way back at the beginning of the seventh season, he could have killed him, but chose Abraham instead because of Carl. "I didn't want to kill a kid's dad in front of him," he says.

As Negan prepares to kill Rick with his barbed-wire-wrapped baseball bat, he does something that suggests he's never seen any TV show or movie ever. He decides to give a speech instead of finishing the job.

And then he listens to Rick's speech and Rick's plea to listen to what Carl would have wanted. And as Rick says "it doesn't have to be a fight anymore," he pulls a shard of glass almost out of nowhere and slashes Negan across the throat.

It seems like a dirty trick by Rick, who we have seen is not above dirty tricks; remember his broken promises last week to Savivors who helped him escape. Then again, it achieved a result, survival, and a hope for the community's future that he might not have won by talking.

And Negan, lo and behold, is alive and recuperating in the episode's final minutes, with Rick and Michonne vowing to keep him around, but imprisoned, as a symbol of "how things have changed."

"After all this," Michonne says to the captive/living example, "you're good for something."

5 But will Maggie let Rick see the light? The last scene is a

flashback to Rick and a much younger Carl, walking hand in hand on a country road. It was a moment of peace and safety Carl recalled in his deathbed letter to his father that we heard last week.

And it was a moment showing that Rick seemed to have finally embraced Carl's message of peace and forgiveness. "I forgot who I was. You made me remember," we hear him telling his son in voice-over, reading from yet another letter.

But that father-son flashback was also a predictable conclusion: "There's your final scene," I wrote in my notes last week, after we first heard Carl reminisce about the walk.

That's not to say it wasn't powerful. All of Sunday's wrap-up material — Rick under the tree with the art glass windows hanging from it; Rick, red- and teary-eyed, intoning, "My mercy prevailed over my wrath" — packed a surprising emotional wallop.

We had seen elements of these scenes before, in the series' light flirtation with

experimental flashing forward and backward. To see them come back in context, with a role in how things have been decided, was potent.

While it seems Rick has seen a version of Carl's light, however, Maggie and the rest of his lieutenants may not be so ready to buy in.

"Rick was wrong to do what he did. Michonne too," she tells her council, which includes Jesus and Daryl.

"We're going to bide our time, wait for our moment, and we're going to show him."

So is that the conflict we're supposed to carry into next season, that most of Rick's allies aren't happy he decided to let Negan live?

I'm going to hope this series deals with that business quickly enough and gets on to a greater story: How the whole of society will live in a world horrifically altered.

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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Clayne Crawford

"Lethal Weapon" (7 p.m., FOX): Guest star Thomas Lennon ("Reno 911!") is back as Leo Getz in the new episode "Leo Getz Hitched," which largely describes what happens in the story. However, the wedding leads Riggs and Murtaugh (Clayne Crawford, Damon Wayans Sr.) into the search for a missing person. Riggs also has an unexpected reunion, and Murtaugh gets news that could shake up his entire life.

"The Flash" (7 p.m., CW): Ralph's (guest star Hartley Sawyer) independent decision could impact the efforts by Barry (Grant Gustin) and the others to reach and vanquish The Thinker in the new episode "Lose Yourself." Harry's (Tom Cavanaugh) behavior becomes worrisome for Joe (Jesse L. Martin), Candice Patton, Danielle Panabaker and Carlos Valdes also star.

"Bull" (8 p.m., CBS): Bull (Michael Weatherly) is reunited with a friend who wants him to help with the case of a domestic-abuse survivor in the new episode "Justified." The woman killed her husband as he slept, but allegedly because his behavior threatened both her and her unborn child. Freddy Rodriguez, Geneva Carr, Christopher Jackson, Jaime Lee Kirchner and Annabelle Attanasio also star.

"LA to Vegas" (8 p.m., FOX): Ronnie (Kim Matula) stages a gathering to impress the visiting Bryan (guest star Zachary Knighton) in the new episode "The Dinner Party." Dave (Dylan McDermott) makes the occasion his first date with Patricia (guest star Amy Landecker), while Colin (Ed Weeks) has an unexpected companion for the evening. Artem (Peter Stormare) clues Nichole (Olivia Macklin) into his latest creative pursuit. Nathan Lee Graham also stars.

"Splitting Up Together" (8:30 p.m., ABC): Oscar and Emmy winner Helen Hunt has been doing quite a bit of directing work this television season, and she adds this series to her resume by calling the shots on the new episode "Soups Jealous." Lena's (Jenna Fischer) budding relationship with Wes progresses, and while they're on another date, Martin (Oliver Hudson) contends with an ill Milo.

"Last Outpost" (9 p.m., Discovery): This new unscripted series follows back-country builders Clint Greathouse and Todd Anderson, who are devoted to promoting and helping sustain the off-the-grid lifestyle for Alaskans who live an existence on the edge in the region's wilderness. They do this by devising utterly unique builds that are constructed entirely of recycled parts, plus their own mind-boggling creativity. In the series premiere, the duo use an old military aircraft tow vehicle to build a huge and unstoppable tow truck that can go anywhere.

TALK SHOWS

- "Conan"** (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Jeff Daniels; actor Lauren Ash.*
- "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon"** (10:34 p.m., NBC): Comic Joel McHale; comic Michael Che; Offset and Metro Boomin perform.*
- "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert"** (10:35 p.m., CBS): James Comey, former FBI director; Jason Aldean performs.*
- "Jimmy Kimmel Live"** (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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	NBC 5	The Voice: "The Live Playoffs, Night 2." (N) ©		(8:01) Rise: "Bring Me Stanton." (N) ©		Chicago Med: "An Inconvenient Truth." (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	Roseanne (N) ©	Alex, Inc. (N) ©	blackish (N) ©	Splitting Up Together (N) ©	For the People: "Everybody's a Superhero." (N)		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	WGN News (N) (Live) ©		MLB Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Oakland Athletics. (N) (Live) ©		
	Antenna 9.2	3's Comp.	Soap ©	Benson ©	Wings ©	Murphy ©	Becker ©	Coach ©
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	Bounce 26.5	Living Single	Living Single	Perfect Stranger (R,'07) **		Halle Berry, Bruce Willis.		Enemy ♦
	FOX 32	Lethal Weapon: "Leo Getz Hitched." (N) ©		LA to Vegas (N) ©	New Girl (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)	Modern Family ©
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	Telem 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) ©		Al otro lado del muro (N)		Enemigo íntimo (N) ©		Chicago (N)
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	AMC	Open Range (R,'03) *** Robert Duvall, Kevin Costner. ©						Open Rng ♦
	ANIM	The Zoo: "Love Shack."	The Zoo			The Zoo ©		The Zoo ♦
	BBCA	Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek ♦
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	BIGTEN	♦ College Softball: Rutgers at Maryland. (N)	The B1G			The B1G	College Football ♦	
	BRAVO	Real Housewives (N)	Real Housewives (Season Finale) (N)			Real Housewives/Beverly Hills		Watch What Happens ♦
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC	NHL Hockey: Winnipeg Jets at Minnesota Wild. (N) (Live) ©						Shark ♦
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	HALL	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls
	HGTV	Fixer (N)	Hunters (N)	Good Bones (N) ©		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters
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	HLN	Death Row Stories ©		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Galaxy Q ♦
	LIFE	Married	Married (N)	Married at First Sight (N)		(9:02) Love at First Flight (N) ©		
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
	MTV	Teen Mom: Young		The Challenge (N) ©		(9:01) The Challenge (Season Premiere) (N)		Ex-Beach ♦
	NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. (N)				(Live) ©		Postgame
	NICK	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG,'04) ***				Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©
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PARMT	Ink Master: Angels ©		Ink Master: Angels (N)		Ink Master (N) ©		Ink Master ♦	
SYFY	Jurassic Park III (PG-13,'01) ** Sam Neill. ©				Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Last O.G. (N)	Conan (N) ♦	
TCM	Gun Crazy (NR,'50) *** John Dall ©				(8:45) Curse of the Demon (NR,'57) *** ©			
TLC	Little People, World (N)		Little People, World (N)		(9:02) My Little Life (N)		People ♦	
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TRAV	Bizarre Foods (N) ©		Zimmern (N)	Zimmern	Delicious	Delicious	Delicious	
TVL	Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Mom ©	Mom ©	King	
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VH1	Love & Hip Hop: Atlanta		Love & Hip Hop: Atlanta		Teyana	Stevie	Black Ink ♦	
WE	Law & Order: "Disciple."		Law & Order: "Harm." ©		Law & Order: "Shield."		Law ♦	
WGN America	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Troy (R,'04) *** Brad Pitt. © ♦			
PREMIUM	HBO	Girls Trip (R,'17) *** Regina Hall. ©				Wyatt Cenac Silicon		Here ♦
	HBO2	Real Time With Bill Maher	Last Week	Wyatt Cenac		I Am Evidence (NR,'17) ©		
	MAX	Jackass: The Movie (R,'02) **		Half Baked (R,'98) * Dave Chappelle.				Relik © ♦
	SHO	Shameless ©		Homeland: "Clarity." ©		Billions: "Hell of a Ride."		The Circus
	STARZ	♦ (6:05) Crash (R,'04) ***		Howards End ©		(8:58) The Usual Suspects ('95) ****		
STZNC	♦ (5:23) Gladiator ('00) ***		La Bamba (PG-13,'87) ***		Lou Diamond Phillips.		Ghostbust ♦	

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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (April 17): Family abundance rises this year. Discipline with your career pays off. Envision perfection and enlist support. Coordinate and plan over spring for summer rollout. Domestic upgrades invite romance and intimate gatherings. Solve a group challenge together for winter gain.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Discuss budget priorities with your partner. Follow your mom's advice, and win. Take advantage of a financial opportunity with long-term benefits. Visualize perfection.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Dream and make plans with your partner. Schedule steps, and follow the rules. Sort out your resources, and hold out for the best deal. Get persuasive.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Stretch and rest your muscles. Keep practicing your moves. Maintain routines while juggling the unexpected. Long-term benefit comes from small, regular actions.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Find love in the strangest of places. Share a romantic moment with someone special. Short-term obstacles can lead to long-term gain. Share your heart.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Invent and share ideas with family for domestic upgrades that you'd like. Relatively small fixes can reap big improvements. Put love into your home.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Reach out. Long-distance communications strengthen and build a powerful connection. Use your persuasive arts and charms. Write, edit and revise for beautiful results.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Investments made now can gain long-term benefit. An income source can grow. Develop and build valuable connections and collaborations.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Plan and develop your strategies for a personal project. Take action behind the scenes. Realize a long-term vision with small, persistent steps.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 6. Make big-picture plans for the future. Dream and visualize your idea of perfection. Meditate on what you want for yourself and others.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Good news comes from far away. Reach out and connect with your community. Share traditions and ancient wisdom. Coordinate actions in teamwork.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. A professional prize beckons. Rely on strong infrastructure and foundations. Follow rules and plans. Collaborate with your team, and celebrate later.

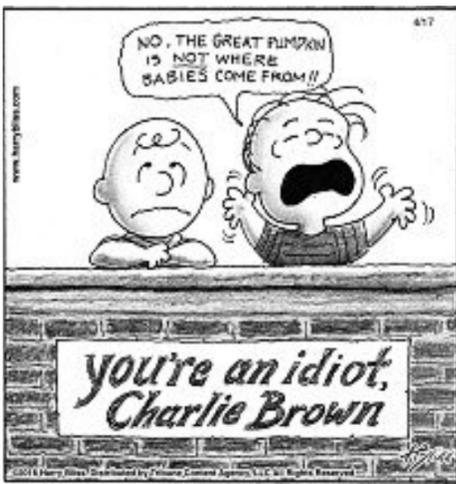
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Your explorations could lead to more distant destinations. Luck comes through thorough planning and coordination. Take advantage of previously made connections. Your friends inspire you.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, East deals

North		East	
♠ 9 8 4	♥ J 10 9	♠ Q 5 3	♥ 5
♦ A 10 5	♣ A J 8 7	♦ Q J 8 7 6 4	♣ K Q 2
West		South	
♠ J 7 6 2	♥ A K 4	♠ A K 10	♥ Q 8 7 6 3 2
♦ K 9 3	♣ 9 5 4	♦ 2	♣ 10 6 3

Today's deal is from the Kay Platinum Pairs, contested recently with an international field in Philadelphia. East was Norwegian star Espen Lindqvist.

North-South put on the brakes accurately in three hearts. A spade lead or early shift would have defeated the contract easily, but West can hardly be faulted for his diamond lead.

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
2♦	2♥	3♦	3♥

All pass

Opening lead: Three of ♦

South won the opening lead with dummy's ace and led the jack of hearts to West's king. A spade shift would have been a winner, but that looked dangerous to West, who continued with the king of diamonds, ruffed by South. A heart went to West's ace and another diamond was ruffed by South.

South drew the last outstanding trump with his queen and led a low club to dummy's seven — a good play. East won with the queen and shifted to a spade, but was it too late? Declarer won the shift with his ace and led the 10 of clubs, ducked in dummy and also ducked, brilliantly, by Lindqvist! Declarer was convinced that West had started with the king-nine-five-four of clubs and led a club to dummy's jack expecting to bring home an overtrick and then give his partner a mock lecture about not bidding enough.

To his horror, Lindqvist won with his king of clubs and led another spade. South won this with his king, but there was no entry to the club winner in dummy. Declarer had to surrender a spade trick and finished down one. Great play!

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert



Baby Blues



Zits



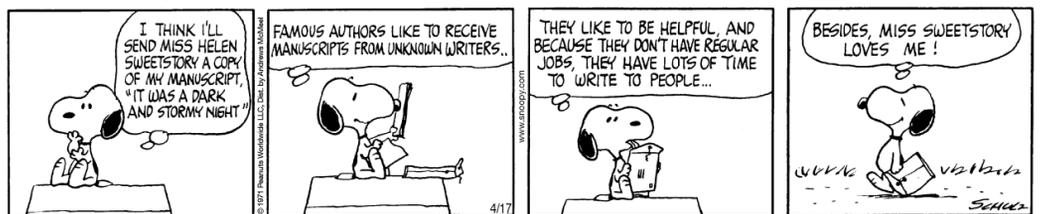
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Classic Peanuts



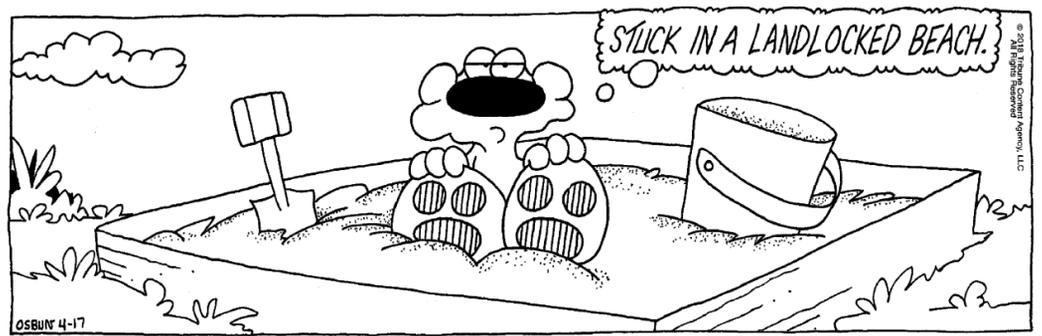
Pickles



Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers



Prickly City



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



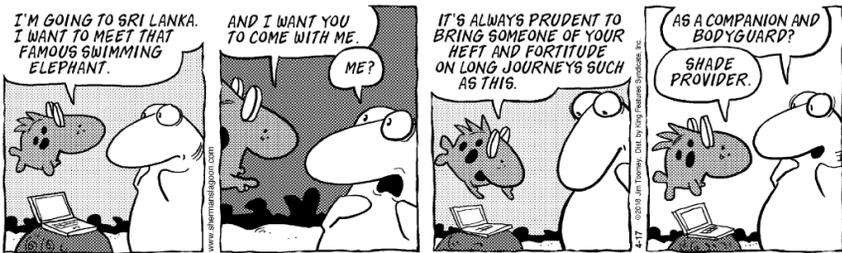
Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



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Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey



Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



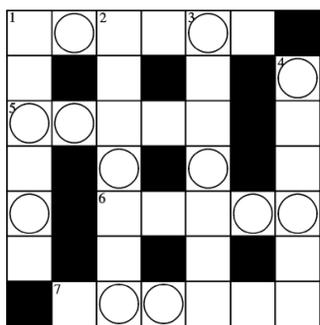
Trivia Bits

Peru's Yanacocha mine is among the world's top-10 producers of what ore?

A) Copper
B) Gold
C) Nickel
D) Uranium

Monday's answer: The "Bruces' Philosophers" was the work of Monty Python.

Jumble Crossword



CLUE ACROSS

1. Icebox
5. Point in question
6. Solar _____
7. Eerie

CLUE DOWN

1. Border
2. To such an extent
3. Explosive
4. Covetous, selfish

ANSWER

DEGFIR
SUIES
RAEFL
RCPEYE

ANSWER

GERNFI
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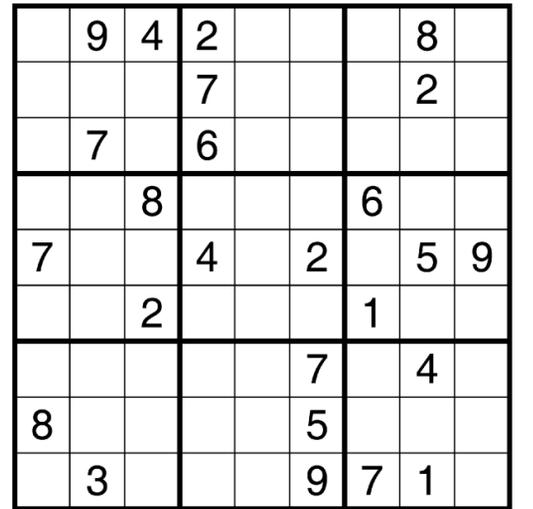
How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS

CLUE: In 1942, _____ was the highest-paid actress in Hollywood.

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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2	9	5	3	1	8	4	7	6
3	8	7	4	5	6	9	1	2
6	4	1	7	2	9	3	5	8
8	7	2	5	4	3	1	6	9
1	3	9	6	7	2	5	8	4
4	5	6	9	8	1	2	3	7
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9	6	8	1	3	4	7	2	5
5	1	4	2	6	7	8	9	3

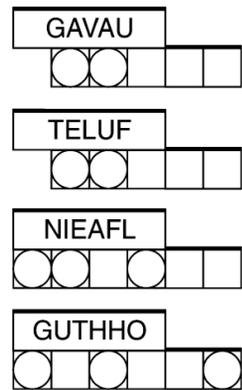
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Monday's solutions

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Jumble

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.



Answer here



Monday's answers

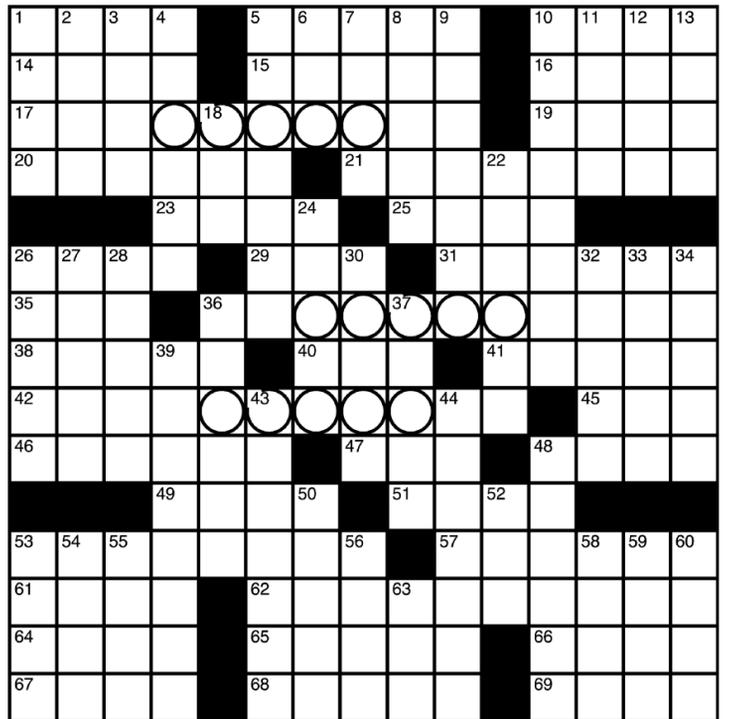
Jumbles: WEARY BULKY DEVOUR COBWEB
Answer: The new soup recipe at the café was a huge hit. Customers were — BOWLED OVER

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Crossword

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Across

1 Not at all good
5 Piece-of-cake shape
10 Tick off
14 Use a surgical beam
15 Toward the back
16 "What I Am" singer
17 Welcome wind on a hot day
19 First-rate
20 Grab greedily
21 Brought back to mind
23 Migratory flying formations
25 Dance move
26 Carrots' partners
29 Dangerous tide
31 Airing in the wee hours
35 Dr.'s orders
36 Successful cryptographer
38 Diner
40 Cup handle
41 Not reactive, as gases

Down

42 "Best thing since" invention metaphor
45 Untruth
46 Walked with purpose
47 Typical John Grisham subject
48 Back talk
49 Nervous twitches
51 Retail center
53 Cigarette stimulant
57 Staggered
61 Neutral shade
62 Pet without papers ... or what is literally found in the circled letters
64 Drop of sorrow
65 Oscar-winning "Skyfall" singer
66 Family babysitter
67 Attaches a patch, say
68 Massenet opera about a Spanish legend
69 Absolut rival

Monday's solution

ANSWER: DEGFIR, SUIES, RAEFL, RCPEYE

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CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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TUESDAY, APRIL 17 NORMAL HIGH: 60° NORMAL LOW: 39° RECORD HIGH: 88° (1976) RECORD LOW: 17° (1875)

Area escapes big snow as April chill still lingers

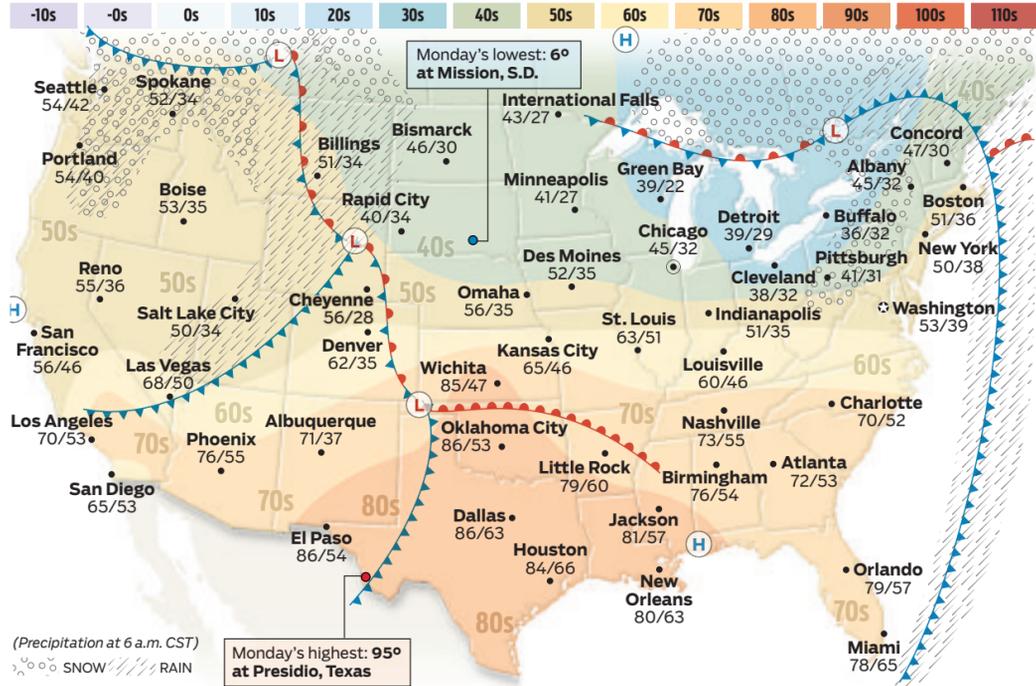
LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 45 **LOW** 32

Weather conditions improve as high pressure approaches, but temps stay chilly.

- Another cold start to the day. Early morning temps mid 20s N-W to low 30s city.
- Sun dims at times due to scattered cloudiness.
- NW winds 15-20 mph diminish in the afternoon.
- High temps still run about 15 degrees below normal, ranging from low 40s N to upper 40s far S-W sections.
- Becoming cloudy overnight with a chance of drizzle or freezing drizzle toward morning.

NATIONAL FORECAST



The city's official high temperature Monday was 34 degrees, a level more typical on Feb. 10. Though unseasonably cold, the Chicago area avoided much of the accumulating snow from this past weekend's storm. Totals across the metro area were generally less than an inch. Northeast Wisconsin, including the city of Green Bay, was buried under 2 to 2 1/2 feet of snow, with some areas receiving as much as 33 inches.

The first half of April has been cold and damp. Monday marked the ninth straight day with observed precipitation, and the month's average temperature is currently 10.2 degrees below normal. High temperatures the rest of this week are to stay about 10 degrees shy of normal. Any warming thereafter will be gradual due to persistent lake winds set to lock in by Friday.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

HIGH 47 **LOW** 34

Another weather system brings clouds and rain. Temps peak in the mid 40s, then lower to upper 30s by evening as SE winds turn NW 10-20 mph. Rain changes to snow showers late/at night.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

HIGH 45 **LOW** 32

Lingering flurries possible early, then skies turn partly cloudy during the afternoon. Temps recover to the mid 40s. N winds 15-20 mph diminish by evening. Fair but chilly overnight.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

HIGH 48 **LOW** 35

High pressure brings sunshine and tranquil weather. After a frosty start to the day, temps climb to highs ranging from mid 50s far W-S suburbs to mid 40s near the lake.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

HIGH 50 **LOW** 37

Morning sun fades as high-mid level clouds thicken. High pressure to our north shuts rain well S of the area. Temps again range from mid 50s well inland-mid 40s lakeside.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

HIGH 51 **LOW** 37

Sprawling high pressure over the Great Lakes dominates our weather, bringing ample sun. Persistent NE winds keep temps below normal. Highs again 50's inland, 40s nearer the lake.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

HIGH 56 **LOW** 40

High pressure remains anchored over the region. Mostly sunny skies help temps moderate as lake winds ease. Far W-S suburbs could reach 60 degrees. Lakefront area stays in the 40s.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
My husband says that during the blizzard of 1967, snow was loaded on train cars and sent south because of there being nowhere to put it in the city. Is this true?
— Bonnie Caldwell, Waukegan

Dear Bonnie,
It's absolutely true. The city was buried after 23.0 inches fell in the Jan. 26-27, 1967, storm, which to this day remains the city's biggest snow. Huge drifts were everywhere, and abandoned cars littered the streets and expressways.

The snow removal effort was epic, taking several weeks to complete. Much of the snow was transported to vacant lots and dumped in the Chicago River. A plan was hatched to put it in freight cars and ship it south to areas that included Tennessee, Alabama and Texas. One Florida girl, who had never seen snow, asked for a shipment. She got her wish.

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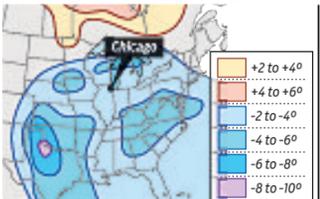


Despite ongoing cold snap, milder temps may be on the way!

COLD-AIR REGIME EXPECTED TO EASE... EVENTUALLY

Forecast temperature departure from normal Average for the period of April 21-26*

*Based on European Model ensemble



TEMP TO MODERATE EVEN MORE BY END OF MONTH

Forecast temperature departure from normal Average for the period of April 26-May 1

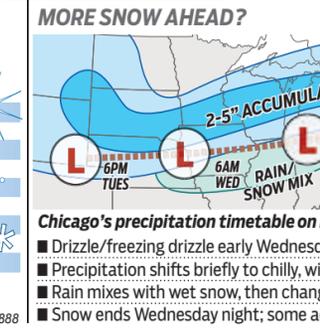


HISTORIC WISCONSIN WINTER STORM SNOW TOTALS

Friday night through Monday morning

Amherst	33.0"
Carlsville	31.6"
Stiles	30.5"
Shawano	29.8"
Oconto	29.0"
Waupaca	28.4"
Perhtigo	27.5"
Green Bay**	24.2"
Wausau	20.7"
Rhineland	18.4"

**Second biggest snowstorm on record—Biggest: 29.0" March 1-2, 1888



UNSEASONABLE COLD SNAP CONTINUED MONDAY

High temps failed to reach 40° for a third straight day; rare occurrence beyond April 14

It's happened only 3 other times since 1871:

Year	High	Low	Normal
2018	38°	37°	58°
1926	37°	35°	59°
1904	34°	32°	59°
1901	39°	38°	59°

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

Period	2018	Normal
Mon. (through 7 p.m.)	0.3"	0.11"
Season to date	2.28"	1.75"
Year to date	10.20"	7.77"

MIDWEST CITIES

TUES./WED.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	su	64	53	pc	68	39
Carbondale	su	54	36	cl	59	35
Champaign	su	56	39	pc	59	35
Decatur	su	56	39	pc	59	35
Moline	pc	49	32	sh	45	31
Peoria	su	53	36	pc	50	33
Quincy	pc	60	46	pc	50	35
Rockford	pc	44	26	rs	40	32
Springfield	su	58	41	pc	58	35
Sterling	pc	47	30	rn	44	31
Indiana	su	55	39	cl	66	37
Bloomington	su	61	46	pc	73	39
Evansville	su	53	37	sh	34	29
Fort Wayne	su	53	37	sh	34	29
Indianapolis	pc	51	35	cl	63	36
Lafayette	pc	48	30	cl	58	34
South Bend	pc	38	24	sh	47	32
Wisconsin	cl	39	22	sh	36	30
Green Bay	cl	40	27	rs	38	32
Kenosha	pc	42	27	rs	35	31
Madison	pc	39	23	rs	34	29
Milwaukee	pc	38	28	rs	37	33
Wausau	cl	37	21	sn	37	28
Michigan	sh	39	29	sh	48	34
Detroit	sh	35	26	rs	49	33
Grand Rapids	sh	35	26	rs	49	33
Marquette	ss	33	27	sh	34	29
St. Ste. Marie	ss	35	28	pc	44	28
Traverse City	ss	35	28	ss	39	31
Iowa	pc	48	32	ss	34	30
Ames	pc	48	32	ss	34	30
Cedar Rapids	pc	48	32	rs	38	28
Des Moines	pc	52	35	rs	37	31
Dubuque	pc	45	28	rs	38	30

OTHER U.S. CITIES

TUES./WED.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	sh	45	32	sh	49	35
Albuquerque	pc	92	52	pc	75	48
Albany	sh	45	32	sh	49	35
Albany	sh	45	32	sh	49	35
Amarillo	pc	89	42	su	69	43
Anchorage	cl	49	32	sh	49	32
Asheville	su	65	47	pc	81	48
Aspen	rs	40	18	su	51	31
Atlanta	su	72	53	pc	81	56
Atlantic City	cl	50	36	su	57	45
Austin	su	87	64	pc	84	59
Baltimore	cl	50	39	pc	64	52
Billings	sh	51	34	pc	54	35
Birmingham	su	76	54	pc	79	52
Bismarck	sh	46	30	ss	42	27
Boise	pc	53	35	sh	60	40
Boston	cl	51	36	pc	53	39
Brownsville	pc	86	70	pc	85	70
Buffalo	ss	36	22	pc	43	35
Burlington	su	87	64	pc	84	59
Charlotte	su	72	52	pc	81	57
Charlton SC	su	70	57	pc	78	62
Charlton WV	sh	51	37	sh	71	44
Chattanooga	su	72	52	cl	77	49
Cheyenne	pc	56	28	pc	53	28
Cincinnati	pc	52	36	sh	68	40
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Columbia SC	su	72	55	pc	84	62
Columbus	ss	43	31	sh	61	39
Concord	su	47	31	sh	50	33
Crps Christi	pc	84	68	pc	80	68
Cincinnati	pc	52	36	sh	68	40
Cleveland	sn	38	22	sh	47	36
Cok. Spgs	pc	65	29	su	58	31
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