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"There's not a day that goes by where I don't think about this case. This is a case we want to solve." — Will County sheriff Deputy Chief Dan Jungles



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Sheri Gordon, mother of Semaj Crosby, said she's still dealing with her daughter's death. "It never leaves."

A year later, toddler's death is still unsolved

Semaj Crosby's homicide sparked outcry, changes; mom says she just wants justice

BY ALICIA FABBRE
Chicago Tribune

One year after Semaj Crosby was found dead under a couch in her home, her mother says she struggles to deal with the loss of her only daughter and awaits answers, even as she remains a person of interest in the investigation.

"It's just been a lot ... (of) ups and downs," Sheri Gordon said this month in her first interview since her 17-month-old daughter's body was discovered in her Joliet Township home April 27, 2017, less than two days after the toddler was reported missing. "I'm still dealing with it. It never leaves. It's going to be there forever."



Semaj

For Gordon, the repercussions of Semaj's death have been vast: Her remaining three children were removed from her care and remain in the custody of Illinois' child welfare agency. She also lost her home when it burned to the ground the day after her daughter's funeral.

Authorities believe the blaze was arson, but one year later — as in the case of the toddler's death — they have made no arrests.

Gordon is among five people Will County sheriff's investigators have identified as "persons of interest" in Semaj's death.

She declined to discuss specifics about the day of Semaj's death, the investigation or ongoing Depart-

ment of Children and Family Services cases.

"I just want justice for my daughter," Gordon said. Will there be justice? "Only God knows," she replied.

Three other women — Semaj's paternal grandmother, Darlene Crosby; an aunt, Lakerisha Crosby; and a family friend — also have been identified as persons of interest in the investigation, Will County sheriff Deputy Chief Dan Jungles said.

Investigators have identified a minor who was at the home as another person of interest.

Darlene and Lakerisha Crosby also have pending DCFS cases, and their children also were removed from their care after Semaj's death.

The Will County coroner eventually ruled the girl's death a homicide by asphyxiation, yet

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White House rallying to VA hopeful's side

Trump urges pick to fight on despite 'disgusting' process

BY JOSH DAWSEY,
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AND JOHN WAGNER
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The White House rallied around Ronny Jackson's nomination to lead the Department of Veterans Affairs late Tuesday as the president's former doctor was besieged by complaints that he improperly prescribed drugs, created a hostile workplace and became intoxicated on duty.

The administration's decision to defend the VA nomination came hours after President Donald Trump suggested at a news conference that Jackson should consider pulling out because of the "abuse" he was facing. But by late afternoon, Trump huddled

with Jackson, and White House aides vowed to fight the charges.

A White House official said Trump urged Jackson to keep fighting, according to The Associated Press.

But earlier, when asked about Jackson's nomination during a joint news conference with French President Emmanuel Macron, Trump said, "I don't want to put a man through a process like this. It's too ugly, and it's too disgusting."

He added, "I said to Dr. Jackson, 'What do you need it for?' To be abused by a bunch of politicians? ... If I was him ... I wouldn't do it."

Jackson's worsening problems flared into view Tuesday when lawmakers delayed his confirmation hearing from Wednesday. The nomination was postponed by Georgia Sen. Johnny Isakson, the Republican chair of the veterans committee, and Sen.



Jackson

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EPA proposes ban on 'secret' research

Confidential health studies could not be used in rule-making

BY EVAN HALPER
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration launched an attack on the science behind many of the nation's clean air and clean water rules, announcing a proposal Tuesday that would effectively prevent regulators from considering a wide range of health studies when they look at new regulations.

The plan by Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt would prohibit what he and industry advocates call "secret science" — studies that make use of data that are kept confidential, often for privacy reasons.

The embattled EPA chief, whose own secrecy

on his personal finances and his activities in office has drawn the attention of investigators, framed the action as crucial to government transparency.

"The era of secret science at EPA is coming to an end," Pruitt said in a statement. "The ability to test, authenticate, and reproduce scientific findings is vital for the integrity of the rule-making process. Americans deserve to assess the legitimacy of the science underpinning EPA decisions that may impact their lives."

Many of the country's most prominent research organizations, however, say the studies that Pruitt wants to ban are crucial to effectively protecting the environment.

The proposal threatens to cut off the federal government's access to essential data and subject

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New McDonald's to have food from around the world

The restaurant in the company's new headquarters in the Fulton Market district will have ordering kiosks, table service, curbside pickup and food from its menus around the globe.
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Jennifer Velazquez, left, of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association, and Schurz High students hand out information about employers' and workers' rights last week.

Immigrants' uncertainty drives quest for scholarship money

Young 'Dreamers' worry but rally to shape their future

BY NEREIDA MORENO
Chicago Tribune

At first Citlali Perez was reluctant to apply for the Obama-era program that shields immigrants who came to the country illegally as children, and now she can't: First-time applications are no longer being accepted.

Perez was 16 when the

Trump administration sought to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program in September, and she fears she may never feel secure in the only country she's ever known.

Along with anxiety, the situation gave Perez the drive to support other immigrants like her. She leads two organizations at Back of the Yards College Preparatory High School and partnered with the Brighton Park Neighborhood Council on fundrais-

ing and advocacy efforts.

Her response isn't unique. Faced with the legislative limbo of immigration reform, students in the Chicago area are raising money for scholarships and DACA renewal applications so their peers can pursue a future in the United States. Others are encouraging people and businesses to publicly express support for immigrants.

Perez, a junior, came to
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Travis Reinking, accused of killing four people Sunday in Nashville, had weapons because of his father's poor judgment.



JOHN KASS

Waffle House killings reaction ignores the facts

Travis Reinking, the mentally disturbed man charged in the Waffle House killings, had his guns taken away with the help of law enforcement.

This is a fact. But the guns were returned to him by his father, and four people were killed the other day in that Waffle House in Nashville, Tenn.

These, too, are facts. President Donald Trump did not give the guns back to Reinking, the NRA didn't, and the Republicans did not meet in a quiet cloakroom so innocents would be slaughtered.

Law-abiding gun owners of America didn't demand that the guns be returned to a man with obvious mental illness.

The alleged killer's father, Jeffrey Reinking, did that on his own, according to police.

He took possession of the guns from law enforcement. He knew that his son was sick, that he may well have been dangerous.

And yet he gave them back to his son.

Facts. Yes, facts are stubborn things, aren't they?

Yet immediately after the Waffle House killings, the hot takes were launched in media, on Twitter, and the high priests of the left began attacking the Second Amendment right to bear arms.

It was Trump's fault and the NRA's fault and the fault of America's "gun culture" and the Republicans' fault, and the fault of the patriots who wrote the Constitution to protect liberty and minority rights, and on and on.

If you're a regular consumer of American news, you know this liturgy by heart. Do we really need another "town meeting" on national cable news to unleash the demagogues?

Using the Nashville Waffle House shooting in hot takes to shame Americans away from publicly supporting the Second Amendment must be extremely satisfying to some.

But it's about as logical as using the Toronto van attack the other day to stop Canadians from renting vans.

When partisan politics meet fear and opportunity, the hot takes come

rushing, and the herding of the mob commences and facts are pushed aside.

We've seen this before in the aftermath of other shootings, like the recent carnage at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida.

The immediate cry was to gut the Bill of Rights in the name of "commonsense" gun laws, and those who didn't join up were shamed.

Only later did facts come out. An armed Broward County sheriff's deputy refused to engage the shooter. Local law enforcement had repeated run-ins with the alleged shooter; they knew he was armed and dangerous and yet did nothing.

The federal PROMISE program, brainchild of the Obama administration, was designed to allow schools to deal with disciplinary issues without notifying police.

The 19-year-old suspect, former student Nikolas Cruz, was reportedly not in this program. But such policies may allow troublemakers like him to fall through the cracks.

Seventeen were killed, and he confessed to pulling the trigger, authorities said.

But before the details were all known, the hot takes were already thrown.

Appeals to fear and rage aren't policy, but they are effective politics, especially in a culture that has been weaned away from understanding that our republic was designed to be slow and deliberate to protect the rights of the minority against the passions of the day.

Now we're fed a daily dose of policy by polls and pundits shouting on TV. Civics in schools is an afterthought.

Fear and rage are potent weapons. And there's nothing like pushing raw emotion and political tribal chant to herd people to policy, whether that be another war in the Middle East or tearing up the Bill of Rights.

Are there good and honestly outraged and frightened Americans who just want to put an end to these shootings? Yes, of course.

But fear and outrage also have political utility. And those techniques are used by political hacks with their eyes on the 2018 elections.

That is the way of hot takes. Then, a few hours pass, and the facts start coming out.

In August 2017, the U.S. Secret Service arrested Travis Reinking, who is from downstate Morton, Ill., near the White House. He demanded a meeting with President Trump. Federal authorities contacted the Illinois State Police asking that Reinking's state firearm owner's identification card be revoked. It was. He gave up his FOID card.

Travis Reinking also gave up his guns, three rifles and a 9 mm handgun.

But his father gave them back to him.

In June 2017, Travis Reinking was wearing a dress, pulled it off and jumped into a pool and began yelling at people. Authorities said he was spotted tossing a rifle into the trunk of his car.

According to news reports, a Tazewell County, Ill., sheriff's deputy told the father what had happened, adding in his police report that "he might want to lock the guns back up until Travis gets mental help which he stated he would."

That report mentions Jeffrey Reinking taking Travis' guns away earlier.

And in May 2016, the sheriff's office found Travis Reinking talking of suicide, saying that pop singer Taylor Swift was stalking him and that he had weapons.

You want "commonsense" gun laws? How about promoting Gun Violence Restraining Order bills in the states? A GVRO would allow family members living with a mentally ill person to seek a court order to temporarily seize their guns.

But in this case? This one is not on law-abiding gun owners who safely keep weapons to defend themselves and their families, as is their right.

This one's on the father. He gave those guns back to his son.

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WLS reporter Evelyn Holmes has been learning how to play hockey for almost a year.

The puck stops here: Channel 7's Holmes takes up a hockey stick

You know that saying about getting the name of the truck that hit you? **Evelyn Holmes** never did get the name of the hockey goon who leveled her at Johnny's IceHouse West.

"He's got to be easily 250. He's got to be, what, 6-4? I mean, he's like an eclipse. He stands (next to me), and it gets dark. ... He was on the opposite team, and he was just going for the puck. I spun around real quick and ... bam," Holmes said, smacking her hands together.

This is no TV gimmick for the reporter with ABC-owned WLS-Ch. 7. She takes the ice at 5:30 on Sunday mornings to learn how to play hockey, as she has been doing for almost a year now.

Holmes, 52, figure-skated as a kid and always had an appreciation for hockey players' skill, but she became much more interested in the sport when she helped her station cover the Blackhawks' run to the 2010 Stanley Cup title.

Holmes entered a lottery to take Hockey 101 lessons at Johnny's, but demand was too high and she wasn't selected. When a spot opened last year, her mother persuaded her to try again and paid for the fall session as a gift. Holmes bought new skates and a wooden stick, but her shinguards, helmet and everything else was used. She watched

YouTube tutorials on how to get dressed. The first time she got on the ice she hugged the wall. "I bought the wrong size (skates), and they were killing me."

Coaches such as **Ken Rzepecki** taught her fundamentals and gave her extra time on the ice to find her legs.

"It's not easy to come out here every Sunday at around 5:30 in the morning to start skating on cold winter mornings unless you really truly love this game," Rzepecki said. When Holmes first showed up at the rink, "She said she had never skated (in hockey skates, which requires different body mechanics than figure skates) before in her life, never played hockey before, was enthused about the Chicago Blackhawks and how well they were doing and wanted to try to play this game."

Most WLS-Ch. 7 viewers probably wouldn't recognize Holmes in her gear, but when she's on the ice, you can't miss those bright red socks — gliding along the ice at a snail's pace.

"My kids (ages 12 and 7) think it's funny," Holmes said. "They like it, but they think I'm really, really slow. They're like, 'You need to get faster, Mommy!' Yeah, well, Mommy's trying."

— Phil Thompson

Fritzshall shares Holocaust story

Mayor **Rahm Emanuel's** latest podcast went back in time to take on a sobering topic, commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising in Poland with a special interview.

In a 37-minute segment on Emanuel's "Chicago Stories" podcast, Holocaust survivor **Fritzie Fritzshall** shared her harrowing experience riding in a boxcar to the Auschwitz concentration camp, working at a women's factory while starving and finally being liberated by Soviet forces before moving to Chicago in 1946 to live with her father.

Fritzshall, born in what was southeast Czechoslovakia in 1929, now serves as board president of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Skokie. "It is so hard to sit here today, this



Fritzshall

many days later and this many years later and tell the story and retell the story — it becomes a dream," Fritzshall, who lives in Buffalo Grove, told Emanuel.

But Fritzshall said she continues to do it, "so that when I am no longer here, when we the survivors are no longer here, our stories are going to live and our stories are going to go on."

Emanuel let Fritzshall do most of the talking, save for some lighthearted remarks, such as when he told his guest, "Hey Fritzie, there's one person who asks questions in this interview process," to a round of laughter from the audience at the live taping. He was also able to establish Fritzshall as a Cubs fan, calling her "a woman after my own heart."

— Elyssa Cherney

Gates shows off new S. Side arts spot

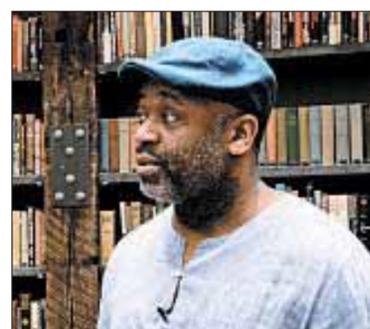
For Chicago artist and community developer **Theaster Gates**, the next handful of months, he said, will represent a kind of coming out for his Stony Island Arts Bank, the stately old financial building that Gates and his Rebuild Foundation have been reworking into an arts showcase and community space.

"It feels like it's really about to thrive," Gates said Tuesday, leading a group of reporters around the newly remodeled space, at 6760 S. Stony Island Ave.

He was standing in the old bank building's library space, which houses not only the Johnson Publishing Co. Library but the record collection of house music pioneer **Frankie Knuckles**. A new catwalk allows access to the upper reaches of the book collection, and a turntable space allows a DJ to select from Knuckles' discs and have them heard on a sound system throughout the building.

"If nothing else, you're going to hear some good music," Gates said.

The library space this summer will host "A Johnson Publishing Story," which will examine the role of the Chicago business empire behind Ebony and Jet magazines in "defining and disseminating a black aesthetic and culture ... in the mid-20th century." Organized by Gates



BRIAN JACKSON/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Theaster Gates gives a tour of the Stony Island Arts Bank on Tuesday.

and part of the Art Design Chicago event, the show will open in June.

And there's more to come, including hopes for a pop-up restaurant to serve food on the building's north lawn, plus a restored 1890s bar that would serve drinks inside the bank building.

The entire project, said Gates, has been "a demonstration work for me that South Siders don't have to go somewhere else."

— Steve Johnson

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Everybody has a tree story. What's yours?



I've got a tree story, you've got a tree story, everybody's got a tree story.

Tree stories are as universal as love stories, and starting Friday, which is Arbor Day, The Morton Arboretum and Openlands want to hear your stories of Chicago trees.

If you're like me, when you're asked to tell a tree story, one tree will pop to mind faster than the others. I didn't grow up here, so the first story in my repertoire is set in the faraway land of Savannah, Ga.

It was a giant, moss-draped oak that served as a refuge from my small, crowded house. I sat under it for hours, brushing away the sweat and ants while reading Nancy Drew books. To this day, when I hear the word "tree," I see the cover of "The Clue in the Crumbling Wall."

I could map my life in trees. Many of us could. Try it.

The second noteworthy tree of my childhood was the huge magnolia outside my grandfather's house, where my mother and siblings and I lived for a while.

It was a tree with the power of a mountain.

We played under the magnolia. We climbed it. One of my brothers fell out of it and broke his arm. It bloomed in spring, giant white flowers among the heavy green leaves, so fragrant you could smell it from the back porch.

When I was in high school, we moved to Phoenix, a place where cactuses were more notable than trees, but even the desert can produce tree stories.

Our yard, fed by an irrigation ditch, contained dozens of grapefruit trees, so many that the lawn was often covered in rotting fruit. My brothers played softball with ones that hadn't ripened.

I think about those trees sometimes in the grocery store produce section and, noticing the price of grapefruit, wince at our casual citrus abuse.

Later, in college in California, I encountered rows of towering eucalyptus trees, and on a semester abroad in France, the chestnut trees in the Luxembourg Garden. If oaks and magnolias were the trees of childhood, eucalyptus and chestnut belong to my age of enlightenment.

Most of my adulthood trees involve Chicago, a place whose lush tree-scape astonishes outsiders who think of the city as all snow and concrete.

I live at the top of a three-story building largely because I like the sanctuary of the treetops. The two outside my front window are taller than the building, tough enough to thrive in a narrow patch of dirt next to the sidewalk and to survive the street's relentless demolition and construction.

They're so full in summer I don't need to draw the shades. They turn yellow in autumn, go bare in winter and right now, they're sprouting reddish clumps that one day soon will be those forgotten things called leaves.

Tree stories, like love stories, include tales of loss.

My favorite Chicago trees used to be a pair that sat along the lakefront near Fullerton Avenue, facing the Chicago skyline. I took photos of them in every season — in bloom, in leaf, white with ice.

A few years ago, when that stretch of lakefront was redone, they vanished. I asked the city about them at one point and was told that although they were gone, many more had been planted. Fine. Something lost, something gained, etc.

But the new trees aren't my trees, and I still miss that pair.

So what's your Chicagoland tree story?

Beginning Friday, you can contribute it to the new online "Tree-mendous Tree Stories" collection curated by The Morton Arboretum and Openlands at www.tree-stories.org.

You'll have the chance to post a photo or video of your tree, tag it under a theme (family, history, holiday, travel, etc.) and to read other stories.

We love trees for lots of reasons. They're beautiful. They're living calendars, a means of tracking time. They stay stable in the wind and snow and rain, through the years and change. Their endurance is a comfort.

A few weeks ago on a visit to Savannah, I drove by my childhood home. The oak tree wasn't as grand as I remember it, but it was still in the front yard, shading a reading girl no one but me could see, keeping the past present.

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Oakbrook Center parking lot policy raises privacy concerns

Management uses license plate scans to help ensure ample spaces for shoppers

By **CHUCK FIELDMAN**
Pioneer Press

If you park at Oakbrook Center, your car might be part of a candid camera scenario, as security cars drive up and down aisles in lots and garages, using license plate reading technology to check the plate numbers on vehicles.

The license plate recognition system, which has been used since late 2016, helps Oakbrook Center monitor and enforce that shopping center employees are parking in designated areas and leaving the best parking for guests, explained Marissa Ellenby, senior manager of communications for General Growth Properties, the owner/operator of Oakbrook Center.

"Our research has shown us that parking is a top pain point of our shoppers," Ellenby stated.

A senior investigative researcher for an organization that defends civil liberties in the digital world says the use of license plate recognition systems raises privacy questions.

"It's important that businesses respect their customers," said Dave Maass of the Electronic Frontier Foundation. "People do care when they find out about this: Privacy is a major issue."

Maass said potential privacy concerns over the type of system being used at Oakbrook Center include whether the system is being checked for cybersecurity, possible use of a third-party server for collected data, whether any stored photos taken might include more than a license plate, how long data are retained, whether notice of system use is posted and who is authorized to access data, including police.

He said that photos taken of license plates could include bumper stickers.

"Sometimes, a bumper sticker indicates someone's political views, for example," Maass said. "Anyone who sees the vehicle could see a bumper sticker, but if you don't know for sure who might have access to a photo taken of it with a license plate scanner, that could be an issue."



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Oakbrook Center security personnel are using a license plate recognition system to monitor and enforce that shopping center employees are parking in designated areas and leaving the best parking for guests.

The issues Maass raised, including the use of third-party servers, how long data are saved, whether data are used for marketing purposes and if the system is audited, were asked of Ellenby via email but were not answered.

"While we appreciate your questions, we feel they may impact some of our security efforts/protocol, so we are unable to provide specifics," Ellenby wrote in response.

"Please know our system follows all laws and legal requirements of the technology," she continued. "Once again, the system does not provide access to any other data, nor do we have access to any information other than what is provided or visible on the vehicle."

Oakbrook Center tenants are required to provide license plate and vehicle information for their employees to mall management so it can monitor the designated parking areas, Ellenby wrote.

"We simply input the vehicle information provided," she said.

Mall employees are required to park in employee-designated areas, even if they visit the mall to shop on days they are not working, according to a Jan. 3 memo to Oakbrook Center tenants from management.

John Walters, of Romeoville, who said he shops at Oakbrook Center a few times a year, said he isn't certain whether use of a license plate recognition system bothers him.

"Personally, I have nothing to hide, but with all this news lately about our privacy

and how it's sometimes being violated, it makes you think," he said. "I would like to think the mall isn't doing anything else with the information they collect, and I believe that they aren't, but it's an interesting topic these days."

Along with Oakbrook Center, General Growth Properties has five other properties in Illinois, including three in Chicago, one in Champaign and at Northbrook Court.

Ellenby didn't respond when asked if a license plate recognition system is used at Northbrook Court.

College of DuPage, an area entity with substantial parking, doesn't use a system, said its deputy police chief, Jim Nehls. Old Orchard center in Skokie, another large outdoor mall, didn't respond to a message inquiring about use of a license plate recognition system.

Oak Brook police Deputy Chief Jason Cates said the license plate recognition system at Oakbrook Center is being used with no direction, support or coordination from the police, and the information gathered is not shared with the department.

While Oak Brook police don't use their own license plate recognition system, the Darien Police Department began using license plate recognition cameras about three years ago but stopped about a year ago, said Operations Cmdr. Gerry Piccoli.

"I believe they have a use in law enforcement, but we had problems with them and decided it really wasn't an effective expense for us," Piccoli said.

The cameras, mounted on the front and back of police vehicles, scan hundreds of license plates around a patrol car, alerting officers to potential stolen vehicles, cars used in area crimes and vehicles tied to an individual who has a warrant out for arrest. However, while scanning license plates, Darien police found the technology also scanning other things with numbers, including mailboxes, street signs and billboards.

La Grange police began using cameras in late 2014 but stopped a year ago, said Deputy Chief Andy Peters, who said the effectiveness of the cameras wasn't what had been expected.

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A pedestrian walks near North Avenue Beach as clouds roll over Chicago on a relatively seasonable day Tuesday. The forecast highs for the rest of the week will hover in the 50s and 60s, with mostly sunny skies, while early next week could deliver temperatures in the 70s.

DuPage, vendor settle over election fiasco

Vote tabulation supplier will replace damaged machines, pay county for overtime costs

By **CLIFFORD WARD**
Chicago Tribune

The company blamed for causing a malfunction the night of the March primary election in DuPage County that delayed final vote tallies until the early hours of the following morning will not be used for the November general election, County Board Chairman Dan Cronin said.

At Tuesday's board meeting, Cronin said the county had reached a settlement with Liberty Systems, which had contracted with the county to provide vote tabulation supplies used in the March 20 primary.

On election night, cards supplied by Liberty did not fit the county's optical scan

vote tabulation devices. The problem forced officials to transport the devices to election commission headquarters in Wheaton to be tabulated, which delayed final results until after 3 a.m.

"The settlement provides remuneration for the damages the election commission incurred, while also clearing a path for a new vendor to provide service to DuPage County voters in November," said Cronin, who said three contracts the county had with Liberty had been terminated.

Under the settlement, Liberty agreed not to bid for the county contract for the November election, Cronin said.

In addition, the company agreed not to charge the county for the faulty cards, and Liberty will repair or replace 167 tabulation machines damaged by the cards, Cronin said. The company will also compensate DuPage for overtime costs associated with the error.

Following the meeting, Cronin said he was pleased with the outcome.

"I'm delighted," Cronin said. "I think it was a very effective resolution to a bad situation. I've got to give credit to (election commission chairwoman) Cathy Terrill and the board who all were engaged very intensely in the discussions and negotiations. They knew they had to do something."

Cronin would not say whether further changes with procedures or vendors would take place if the election commission eventually consolidates with the county clerk's office.

"We'll take it one step at a time," he said. "I have some expectations about what it's going to look like. We'll get there."

Freelancer Gary Gibula contributed.

Clifford Ward is a freelance reporter.

Nursing mother files complaint after jury duty turn

Says staff directed her to the men's room to pump milk

BY MORGAN GREENE
Chicago Tribune

She was summoned to jury duty at the downtown Daley Center courthouse, but the Chicago attorney and mother to a newborn said she couldn't fulfill her civic duty because there was no private place to pump breast milk.

So Judith Miller filed a discrimination complaint with the Illinois Department of Human Rights, a possible precursor to a lawsuit against the Cook County court system.

Miller, an assistant clinical professor of law in the Federal Criminal Justice Clinic at the University of Chicago Law School, was "excited about the possibility of serving on a jury" when she was summoned last fall because her work as an attorney offers "a unique perspective on the importance of juries," according to the complaint filed with the state human rights office. As the breastfeeding mother of an 11-week-old, she had also done her homework to make sure she could pump milk when she reported for jury service Oct. 2.

According to the complaint, Miller checked the Circuit Court of Cook County website before her jury date for information on the Daley Center's lactation room. Upon arrival, Miller followed the site's instructions and contacted a court clerk about using the facility.

Miller says the clerk could not locate the room and told her she could use the men's restroom because the women's restroom did not have an electrical outlet, required for Miller's breast

pump.

At the time of her jury date, Miller needed to pump breast milk or nurse every three hours to maintain milk supply.

Miller says the clerk called Chief Judge Timothy Evans' office about the matter but received no response. After several hours passed, the clerk excused her from jury duty. Miller left the courthouse and didn't serve.

Miller detailed her experience at the Daley Center in a Tribune op-ed published in recent months. "Little did I know that I'd have no chance at being on the jury," Miller wrote in the opinion piece. "Not because I'm an attorney, and not because I'm a law professor, but because I'm a nursing mother."

On Tuesday, she echoed those statements, telling the Tribune that "I think it's really important that people be able to serve on juries.

Juries are how we govern ourselves."

That shouldn't change just because she's a nursing mother.

"Just imagine if someone said, 'you can't vote because you're a nursing mother,'" the 37-year-old said. "In any public building where women have a right to be, and especially where women are expected to wait around, there should be spaces for nursing and for pumping."

It's unclear whether there was some kind of communication breakdown. A spokesman for Evans says that all Office of Jury Administration rooms, where prospective jurors report, have private space available for nursing mothers. At the Daley Center, a private lactation room is available on the fourth floor.

Other courthouses have private rooms in the children's rooms that are available to members of the

public who are nursing mothers.

"It would have been a reasonable accommodation to make the space available," said Amy Meek, a staff attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union. "She was there, and she wanted to serve, and it's your civic duty to be able to access a courthouse and serve on a jury."

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Synthetic marijuana blamed for a 4th death

Central Illinois woman state's latest poisoning victim

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

A woman from central Illinois has become the fourth person in the state to die from synthetic marijuana, officials announced Tuesday.

The woman, whose name was not disclosed, was in her 30s, the Illinois Department of Public Health reported.

Previously, two men, one in his 20s and another in his 40s, died in central Illinois, along with a Chicago-area man in his 20s.

Health officials reported that 153 people in 13 counties in Illinois have gotten sick from synthetic cannabinoids believed to be laced with rat poison. Most victims are from the Chicago and Peoria areas.

Synthetic marijuana is not marijuana at all but man-made chemicals sold on the premise that they act on the same brain cell receptors as the main psychoactive ingredient in cannabis, THC.

In recent weeks, victims have begun showing up in hospital emergency rooms after coughing up blood, bleeding in the urine, nose or gums, or having internal bleeding, officials said. It was determined that they were suffering from a chemical found in rat poison called brodifacoum, which prevents blood from clotting. Officials said the poison is believed to have been mixed in with the synthetic marijuana.

Patients are treated with intravenous transfusions of vitamin K to restore their blood's clotting ability, followed by vitamin K pills. On Monday, officials announced a donation of nearly 800,000 vitamin K tablets by the Bausch Foundation, a philanthropic arm of Valeant Pharmaceuticals International Inc. in Laval, Quebec.

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City nursing homes could become safe zones

Plan adds fines for people caught with guns in the vicinity

BY JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

Getting caught with certain weapons near Chicago nursing homes would come with a stiff fine and possible jail time under the City Council's bid to create safe zones like those already in place around parks, schools and CTA stations.

People caught illegally possessing firearms already face criminal penalties, but West Side Ald. Christopher Taliaferro, 29th, has proposed adding fines in some cases. Getting caught with an assault weapon or a

high-capacity clip within 500 feet of a nursing home would come with a fine of \$1,000 to \$5,000 and a possible three to six months behind bars for a first offense. Fines and potential jail time would go up after three offenses.

Having laser sights, silencers or weapons like large knives or brass knuckles near nursing homes also would come with additional fines and possible jail time under the measure, which passed the Public Safety Committee on Tuesday. The ordinance will head to the full City Council next month.

In other parts of the city, assault weapons, silencers and extended clips are confiscated. Possession of other

types of illegal weapons can lead to smaller fines and up to six months in jail, according to city code.

Taliaferro told a story Tuesday about looking out the window of a senior center in his ward to see an armed man selling drugs.

"They should not have to deal with this on a daily basis," he said. "Our seniors should enjoy a quality of life just like all of us do."

The city has long had similar "safety zones" around schools, parks and CTA facilities, and police officials told aldermen that the tougher standards allow them "additional tools" to combat crime.

"We would look at these enhanced penalties as another tool in our toolbox

that will help us combat the gun violence that's happening in the city," Deputy Chief Al Nagode said.

Also Tuesday, a crowd of West Side residents came to the committee to back an anti-loitering ordinance proposed by Ald. Jason Ervin, 28th. Aldermen discussed the package but didn't vote amid concerns about its constitutionality.

"It is unacceptable as taxpaying residents that we cannot board the Blue Line train to go to work at 7 a.m. or return in the evening after working hard all day without seeing the same people standing in front of the train station soliciting you to purchase (drugs)," resident Kimberly Muhammad said.

Ervin and West Side Ald. Michael Scott Jr., 24th, said they will work with the city Law Department to try to craft a new version of the ordinance that will stand up to a legal challenge.

"We want a constitutionally sound ordinance," Ervin said. "At the same time, we want our community to feel safe, and this loitering issue, as it relates to narcotics, gangs, prostitution, other criminal activity, is a real challenge. And while we understand people have rights, residents have rights too."

"Some people like the summer. Folks in my community are afraid of the summer," he said.

Some blocks on the West Side see people turn up

with out-of-state plates to sell drugs each morning, Scott said.

"We have folks that are almost held hostage in their homes because people are outside, on their blocks, doing criminal activity," Scott said. "We want police to be able to say, 'You can't sit here in front of Mrs. Jones' home like this.'"

It remains to be seen how tough the city can get.

The City Council passed an anti-gang loitering law under Mayor Richard M. Daley in 1992, but the U.S. Supreme Court struck it down in 1999 as too vague. The council passed a new, watered-down anti-loitering ordinance a year later.

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Report: 'Hostile' remarks when mayor booked

Romeoville police in DUI case sense threats over arrest

BY ALICIA FABBRE
Chicago Tribune

As the mayor of Romeoville was being booked on suspicion of driving under the influence, he told the local police chief, "I'm coming for you," and told two other officers, "You're done," according to a police report released late Monday.

Mayor John Noak, who was cited for alleged DUI hours after delivering his State of the Village speech on April 12, made the statements after asking whether the area of the police station he was standing in was being recorded, the report states.

"Due to Noak's tone of voice and his body language I took his statement to me as hostile and threatening," one officer wrote in the report.

Noak, 44, who later issued a statement apologizing for "the incident that occurred on April 12," was pulled over after another

driver called 911 to report a motorist driving recklessly while possibly intoxicated, according to the police report.

The officer who spotted Noak's vehicle said when he turned his emergency lights on in his unmarked squad car and began trailing Noak's vehicle, the mayor first "increased speed and did not appear to acknowledge the signal to stop and pull over," the report said.

Noak's car did stop after the officer activated his siren, but when the officer approached, the mayor appeared to be talking on a hands-free phone and "continued to talk as I stood next to the door and did not acknowledge me" until the officer knocked on the driver's side window, according to the report.

Several sections of the police report were blacked out before its release, including what the officer observed about Noak's driving before the traffic stop and much of what occurred after he was pulled over and field sobriety tests were given.

Among the details that were not redacted about the

traffic stop was that the officer asked Noak "if there was a reason he was unable to maintain his lane," to which Noak replied, "Totally ... I was talking to people," the report said.

The backup officer also indicated he "observed fresh damage to the passenger side wheels."

After the mayor was handcuffed, searched and placed in the back of a squad car for the ride to the police station, he told officers he would not consent to a breath, blood or urine test, the police report said.

Noak also "refused to ... answer questions" and "pointed out that I had not read the Miranda rights at the time of the arrest but had waited 'hours' to do so, implying that I had made a procedural mistake," the officer wrote in the report. "I advised Noak that the Miranda rights applied only to persons being questioned."

The report notes that police Chief Mark Turvey spoke with Noak three times while the mayor was being booked. During the second conversation, which took place in a holding cell, "Noak appeared to be up-

set/crying and Chief Turvey calmed him down," one of the officers wrote.

Noak was given citations for alleged DUI, improper lane use and driving without proof of insurance, and handed over his driver's license and \$100 as bond, according to the report.

One of the two officers whose reports were released under the Freedom of Information Act wrote that, after the booking was complete, Noak asked whether that part of the station was under surveillance and was told there was a video camera but no audio recording. "Noak then spoke to Chief Turvey and said, 'I'm coming for you,'" the report stated.

"Noak's tone and demeanor as he made this statement appeared to be a veiled threat but was not accompanied with any aggressive body language or movements," the report said.

As Noak was being escorted out of the building, he again asked whether the area was under surveillance and was told there was a camera but no sound recording.



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Romeoville Mayor John Noak, who was charged with DUI, apologized for "the incident that occurred on April 12."

Both officers wrote in their reports that then Noak turned to one of the officers with an outstretched hand and said, "You're done." The officer reported that he replied, "Yes, this process is done," to which Noak responded, "No, you're done," according to the report.

Noak then extended his hand to the second officer and repeated, "You're done," both officers wrote.

Both officers "expressed our concerns with Noak's statements to Chief Turvey. Chief Turvey advised that he did not necessarily feel that the statements were of concern," one of the officers wrote in his report.

Turvey declined comment Monday.

Neither Noak nor his attorney, George Lenard, could be reached for comment on the content of the police report. But the mayor released a written statement saying, "I would like to apologize for the incident that occurred on April 12."

"Under direction of my attorney ... I will not be able to provide a full statement until my case is resolved," said Noak, who was elected to his third term as mayor in 2017. "Once the case is concluded I will provide a more detailed statement."

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Comey's legal team includes Fitzgerald

Ex-U.S. attorney, ex-FBI director are longtime friends

By **JOSEPH TANFANI**
Washington Bureau

Patrick Fitzgerald, Chicago's former longtime U.S. attorney, is helping represent his longtime friend, former FBI Director James Comey.

Fitzgerald said in a statement released Tuesday evening that he began representing Comey in May 2017. The former FBI director was fired that month by President Donald Trump.

Daniel Richman, a Columbia Law School professor, and David Kelley, a former U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York, are also on Comey's legal team, according to a Comey associate.

Fitzgerald is a partner in the Chicago office of law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom. The released statement did not provide any other details.

The president and Comey have engaged in a verbal war recently as the former FBI director made a series of TV appearances to promote his new book, "A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies and Leadership," which offers a withering portrait of Trump.

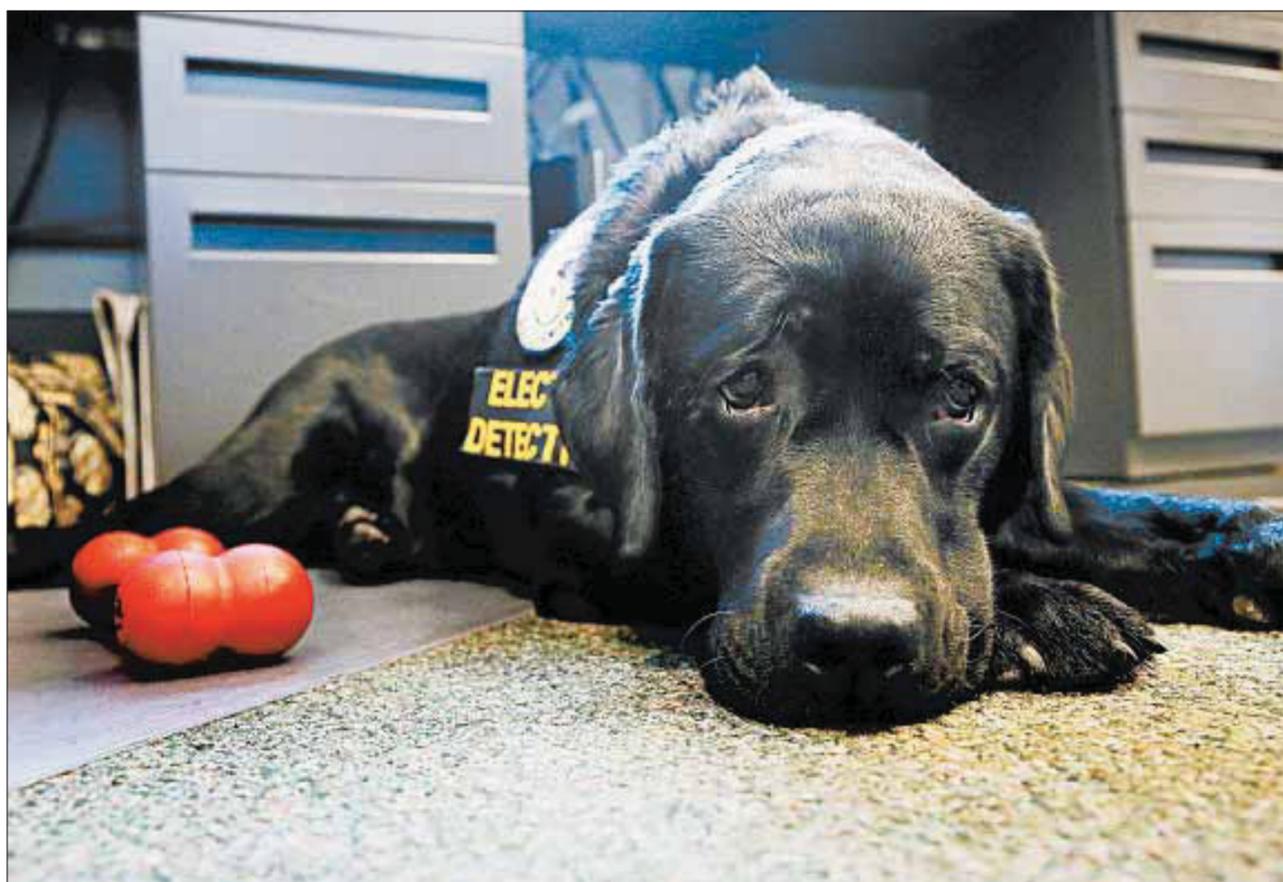
In interviews, Comey has described Trump as obsessed with his own reputation and unconcerned with countering attacks from Russia. He also repeated his book's description of Trump as "untethered" to truthfulness.

Trump has blasted Comey with a series of tweets attacking the former FBI chief as a "slimeball" and "slippery" and saying that he "hardly knew this guy."

Fitzgerald and Comey have been close friends since their days as assistant U.S. attorneys in Manhattan years ago.

After Fitzgerald was nominated as U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Illinois in 2001, Comey described him to the Chicago Tribune as "Eliot Ness with a Harvard law degree and a sense of humor." He held the post until 2012.

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Browser, Lake County prosecutors' 1 1/2-year-old Labrador, is trained to detect a chemical used in the manufacture of electronic storage devices.

Electronics-sniffing dogs enlisted in battle against child pornography

Canines ferret out tiny storage devices humans can miss

By **JOHN KEILMAN**
Chicago Tribune

Browser is a black Labrador who frolics in the presence of other dogs and loves nothing more than to hang out with his handler's grandkids. But he's also a shrewd detective who has been put to work on some of the most disturbing cases a law enforcement agency can handle.

The 1 1/2-year-old dog, owned by the Lake County state's attorney's office since November, is trained to detect a chemical used in the manufacture of electronic storage devices, and that allows him to sniff out tiny gizmos often used to stash images of child pornography.

"A lot of this digital evidence is not easily found," said Carol Gudbrandsen, Browser's handler and a cybercrimes

forensic analyst. "By bringing the dog through, we're able to find this kind of stuff."

State's Attorney Michael Nerheim said he took an interest in electronic-sniffing dogs after learning that one named Bear located a thumb drive authorities in Indiana overlooked during the investigation of Jared Fogle, the former Subway pitchman later convicted of trading in child pornography.

"We were also seeing a trend here where child pornographers, rather than downloading evidence onto a computer, would download evidence onto a removable device and then hide that device in their house," he said. "When I heard about the use of the dog in the Fogle case, I thought this is something we should do here."

With the help of the Waukegan Police Department, the state's attorney's office bought Browser for \$10,000 from the same company that had trained

Bear — Jordan Detection K-9 in Indiana.

The owner, Todd Jordan, said he has trained dogs for 21 years. He uses only Labradors, many of which initially were trained by prison inmates to help people with disabilities but ultimately proved unsuited for that line of work (Browser, for instance, liked to bark at other dogs).

Jordan puts them through a new regimen so they can detect a chemical used as a bonding agent within electronic storage devices, a faint scent compared with fire accelerants or drugs.

"I had to completely change how I train the dogs," he said. "It took me a year to develop it."

In 2016, the Will County state's attorney's office bought a dog named Cache from Jordan, and it has since used him 24 times while executing search warrants. State's Attorney James Glasgow said that while the dog has been

used in child pornography investigations, he also can be useful in probes of financial skulduggery and drug dealing.

"Any crime that involves a computer or computer records, Cache would be available," he said.

Browser also has handled a variety of cases in the dozen or so search warrant executions he has worked on, but child exploitation investigations are his main task. Gudbrandsen said that before the dog's arrival, she was the one who went along on such assignments to try to find digital evidence such as thumb drives, SD cards and external hard drives.

"I still go out on search warrants, but instead of me manually looking for digital evidence, I bring Browser through and let him indicate when he finds it," she said.

Browser sits or gives a telltale whine when he sniffs the chemical, Gudbrandsen said, and is swiftly rewarded with a

treat. So far he has found SD cards in obscure places — secreted in a slipper in a case involving the unlawful video recording of a minor, and stashed in a jewelry box in a child pornography case.

The state's attorney's office could not cite any arrests or convictions resulting from Browser's work.

The dog is also put to work in school presentations on internet safety (Nerheim said kids hide a thumb drive and watch the dog find it). But one of his most important duties is to be a friend to Gudbrandsen, whose job can involve looking through many disquieting images.

"To be able to have him here, he reminds me of the good and what's important in life," she said. "He snaps you back to reality, and then you can come back to work with fresh eyes. He's been an awesome therapy dog for me."

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District U46 board member resigns to pursue social justice

By **RAFAEL GUERRERO**
The Courier-News

Traci O'Neal Ellis resigned from the District U46 school board Monday, saying she plans to pursue a more active role in social justice causes that would conflict with her elected position.

The surprise resignation, effective immediately, came at the end of Monday night's board meeting.

O'Neal Ellis, in the final year of a second four-year term, called the decision "very difficult."

"I love this role, I love serving this community, but I have a very strong passion for social justice," she said after the board meeting. "I just need to pursue the opportunity for me to go deeper with the issues that I'm passionate about."

O'Neal Ellis said she only recently told board President Donna Smith and district CEO Tony Sanders of her decision.

"You're going to be missed in so many ways," Smith said. "But I am so happy that you have the opportunities in front of you that you have. I think they're perfect for you."

"You have made a difference on behalf of 40,000 students," Sanders said. "You made a difference on behalf of the 7 percent of our students who are African-American, who you fight for every day in addition to every kid. You question what you question in a respectful manner."

Board member Jeanette Ward, who sparred frequently with O'Neal Ellis



RAFAEL GUERRERO/COURIER-NEWS

School District U46 board member Traci O'Neal Ellis hugs a well-wisher after the Monday board meeting in Elgin.

during her time on the board, wished her well at Monday's meeting. She added, "I hope you can learn, as you go forward, that disagreement is not hate."

O'Neal Ellis made a controversial remark on social media in the fall, when she posted what some saw as an offensive comment about the American flag.

"That flag means nothing more than toilet paper to me," she wrote.

The controversy over the social media statement provoked comments both in support and opposition.

O'Neal Ellis apologized but also defended her remarks, saying she made the comparison to prove her point that while many view the flag and anthem as symbols of freedom and justice, it is not seen as such by many in the black community.

She said her remark was not meant to be an attack on the military, for whom

she has the "deepest respect."

The incident — "flag gate," she called it — created opportunities for her to become more involved in social justice issues, but those opportunities make it impossible to serve on the board without having conflicts.

She said the timing meant it was time to move on from the board.

O'Neal Ellis said she will serve on a volunteer basis with a national group in crafting policy briefs on social issues, primarily ones benefiting the African-American community on such topics as racism, equity, poverty and education.

She will continue to live in Elgin and will keep her job as the human resources executive director of the Illinois Math and Science Academy, she said.

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Hinsdale looks to eliminate buffer zone between schools

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The Hinsdale High School District 86 Board of Education appears ready to eliminate the controversial buffer zone by incorporating that area officially into the Hinsdale Central attendance area.

"There doesn't seem to be reason to continue with this area, known as the buffer zone," board member Kathleen Hirsman said at its April 23 meeting.

The school board plans to discuss the matter further and possibly vote at its May 7 meeting. Students from the buffer zone currently enrolled in Hinsdale South would be able to continue attending South, the board said.

Actually, the current policy allows any student living anywhere in the district to attend Hinsdale South because there is room there for more students. Families in the South attendance area, however, cannot choose Central because of a shortage of space at Central.

The buffer zone boundaries, which have changed over the years, are 63rd Street on the north, Cass Avenue on the west and Garfield Street on the east. The southern boundary is Plainfield Road east of Illinois Route 83 and 67th Street west of Route 83.

This school year, 200 students who live in the buffer zone chose to attend Central and 27 chose South.

If all the students in the buffer zone were moved to South, South's enrollment would be above its ideal capacity and Central, while

less crowded, still would be above its target enrollment, according to a capacity and utilization study district officials presented.

That analysis states Central, with 2,799 students enrolled as of Sept. 30, is 284 students above the ideal enrollment for its facilities. South, which is a smaller school physically, had 1,518 enrolled as of Sept. 30, which is 186 students below what's considered its ideal enrollment.

Board member Robin Gonzales said the board needs to move the conversation past the angst, anger and uncertainty associated with the buffer zone, and focus on the opportunity South offers to attend a great and smaller high school.

"There are volumes of educational research on the benefits of smaller learning communities," Gonzales said.

If anyone has examples or evidence of students at South not receiving similar or roughly the same programs as at Central, board member Keith Chval said he wants to hear from them. And even if enrollment were better balanced between the two schools, renovations still would be needed, Gonzales said.

Chval believes the buffer zone question can be addressed independently of a possible bond referendum for facility improvements at both schools.

Board member Kevin Camden believes the buffer zone and the question of school enrollment and utilization are connected to the strategic plan and refer-

endum the district plans.

Board member Nancy Pollak said the community task force was directed to identify infrastructure improvements needed to accommodate an enrollment of 2,800 students at Central, the current enrollment.

If that is not what the community wants, then the referendum is doomed, Pollak said.

The district staff is preparing a postcard to mail to all homes and businesses in the school district, possibly next week, that will direct people to a website where they can read the reports on infrastructure in the district. It includes projects recommended by a community task force that total nearly \$185 million.

The district also will conduct an online survey to get feedback on the various projects. A phone poll will follow with a polling firm calling a representative sample of 300 registered voters in the district, board member Jennifer Planson said. The poll will ask people about the amount of the referendum and which improvements they support.

Pollak and Hirsman also suggested it include a question about the possibility of changing school attendance areas, which some board members said could be a last resort if the community does not want to fund infrastructure upgrades.

Hirsman said they heard loud and clear last fall from people who overflowed board meetings that they do not want their children to change schools.

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Year later, toddler's death unsolved

Semaj Crosby, from Page 1

charges have remained elusive.

"There's not a day that goes by where I don't think about this case," Jungles said. "This is a case we want to solve."

The case sparked an outcry from the community and the creation of various groups claiming to seek justice for the young girl. DCFS also came under fire for its handling of various investigations of abuse and neglect involving children and adults at the home. The scrutiny prompted several changes at DCFS to help improve the way it handles cases.

A DCFS caseworker, in fact, had visited the filthy, bug-infested home on Louis Road hours before family members first reported Semaj missing.

The caseworker told Gordon to clean up the place and said a follow-up visit would be made in a few days.

After the report that Semaj was missing, people in the neighborhood told investigators they'd seen her walking down the street that afternoon. After investigators failed to locate her during an initial search of the home, they turned their focus to the possibility that Semaj wandered off or was taken by someone. Investigators, FBI agents and hundreds of volunteers scoured the area while firefighters searched nearby retention ponds.

The focus eventually returned to the house, and 30 hours after she was reported missing, Semaj was found dead under a couch there.

She was lying partially facedown, and roaches were crawling on her face, Jungles said.

"She was treated like a piece of trash," he said.

Gordon's attorney, Neil Patel, was in the house when investigators decided to check under the couch and found Semaj's body.

"When Semaj was found, she was surrounded by strangers. It was dark. It was cold," Patel said. "To be found like that ... that just robbed what little dignity that she had. Someone should be held accountable for that."

Based on autopsy find-



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A memorial stands at the former site of Semaj Crosby's home. A fire destroyed the house a day after Semaj was buried.



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Officials found Semaj's family home to be filthy and bug-infested. A DCFS caseworker had visited the Joliet Township house hours before family members reported Semaj missing.

ings, investigators believe Semaj was dead by the time investigators first showed up at the house, and that she was placed under the couch shortly after her death, Jungles said.

The couch weighed about 100 pounds, and there was only a 2 1/2-inch

gap between the floor and the bottom of the couch.

"She could not have gotten under that couch by herself," Jungles said.

He's been involved in the investigation since the young girl was reported missing.

He said Gordon has been

"cooperative" with investigators but could not say she has been "cleared" in the investigation.

"The unfortunate thing is we can't clear anyone right now," Jungles said.

"We firmly believe that probably more than one of (the persons of interest)

knows what happened," he added. "Could there be someone who is completely in the dark about this? Sure."

Gordon maintains her innocence.

Said Patel: "I'd like to think that whatever evidence or information (investigators) have shows what we've been saying all along, which is Sheri didn't do anything to the baby, Sheri didn't hide the baby, and if someone did something ... she has no idea about it."

"She is not in any way responsible for Semaj's death or the cover-up of what happened," Patel added.

An attorney representing Darlene Crosby and Lakerisha Crosby said they have cooperated with authorities, noting that they have spoken with police and provided information.

He added that he has not heard from investigators in recent months about the probe.

"They've never reached out to me," attorney Cosmo Tedone said. "I wish that Will County would focus their investigation on find-

ing the responsible parties (rather) than to continue to focus on people who had nothing to do with it.

"Semaj was a very cute, adorable young child, and obviously there's been no justice for her," added Tedone, who maintains the women's innocence.

At a news conference in November, Darlene Crosby said she last saw Semaj being taken into the house for a diaper change. Roughly an hour later, Crosby said she saw Gordon come out of the house asking where her daughter was.

In the weeks and months after Semaj's death, DCFS came under heavy scrutiny and had a change of leadership.

"I don't think we disagree with Sheri Gordon in saying there's more we could have done and more we want to do in the future," said Neil Skene, special assistant to the director.

Some of the changes implemented include better tracking of cases, improvements to services provided to families whose children remain with the parents and a shift in hiring practices to help address high turnover rates.

In Joliet, DCFS officials meet regularly with community providers to help address needs of area families receiving DCFS services.

For her part, Gordon says she tries to avoid talk about the various theories that have been floated about what happened to Semaj.

"I just stay on a positive level and being true to myself and believing in myself ... and praying," she said.

She has weekly visits with her three sons and is working with DCFS.

"They still love me," she said of her children. "They still know that I'm their mother." She said her older children "don't really talk" about their sister's death.

"They are emotional about it," she said. "They know she's not here anymore."

But her youngest son often talks about his sister.

"I let him know that Semaj is our angel. She's our little angel," Gordon said. "She's in heaven now."

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Students focus their efforts on fundraising and advocacy

DACA, from Page 1

the country illegally from Mexico when she was 1. As president of the student group Dreamers and Allies, she is leading efforts to raise money for scholarships for "Dreamers" — a nickname from the DREAM (Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors) Act, proposed in 2001 to create a path to permanent residency for young immigrants.

Perez said the group raised more than \$5,000 last year by hosting movie screenings and selling treats on campus. It awarded two \$2,500 scholarships to graduating seniors and hopes to top that this year. "Most of the struggle of being an undocumented student comes down to your junior and senior year when you're applying for college and scholarships," she said. "They usually require Social Security numbers."

DACA recipients qualify for in-state tuition in Illinois but are ineligible for federal financial aid and often have trouble paying for college. "Our options are limited," Perez said. "It's a struggle, and we need more help."

Thousands have lost protected immigration status since President Donald Trump moved to abolish the DACA program in September. His attorney general, Jeff Sessions, called the program an "unconstitutional exercise of authority" and said its beneficiaries deny jobs to Americans.

Congress had until March 5 to enact a legislative fix but did not reach a deal. A federal judge ordered the administration to keep accepting renewal ap-

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plications while a lawsuit proceeds that seeks to keep DACA in place. On Tuesday, The Washington Post reported that a federal judge ruled that the Trump administration should accept new applications as well but stayed the order for 90 days to allow the Department of Homeland Security time to respond.

In the month-plus since Trump's deadline expired, student advocacy groups have been working to reclaim a sense of stability.

"Dreamers" at Morton College in Cicero raised enough money to fund one \$1,000 scholarship during the 2015-16 school year. Last year, they raised enough to fund three. This year, the students plan to award five.

"They want to make a difference," said Morton College President Stan Fields. "They're extraordinary young people and really deserve the best from our country. Unfortunately, politicians haven't found a way clear yet to resolve this issue."

Illinois has the third-largest DACA population in the nation. The Migration Policy Institute estimates that about 69,000 people

were eligible for the program, but only 36,740 were covered as of March 31.

DACA covers people who have been in the U.S. since 2007 and were younger than 16 at the time of their arrival and younger than 31 as of 2012. Students, high school or GED course graduates, and veterans are eligible. Recipients can get renewable, two-year work permits and driver's licenses.

Immigrants who have committed a serious crime, have more than two misdemeanor convictions or are deemed a threat to national security are automatically disqualified. Being declared eligible for DACA does not guarantee a path to citizenship, and those enrolled must pay \$495 to reapply every two years.

Armed with stickers and pamphlets, students from the city's Northwest Side are working to persuade business leaders to express public support for "Dreamers." The sticker features a large monarch butterfly — a symbol for the immigration movement — and reminds patrons that "this space is protected by the power of community."

Members of *Estudiantes Sin Fronteras* (Students Without Borders) at Carl Schurz High School are asking small business owners to display the sticker to declare the space a "welcoming business." In doing so, students hope to spark conversations that help immigrants feel protected and less isolated.

In a symbolic gesture, neighborhood groups declared Schurz and other Logan Square schools "sanctuary zones" last year. Immigration authorities are



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Andrea Chavarria attends UIC on a scholarship. She feels "pretty nervous most of the time" about DACA's fate and says, "There needs to be more advocacy in the community."

barred from entering any Chicago Public Schools building unless they have a criminal warrant or court order. The school district does not require students to disclose their citizenship or immigration status.

Advocates said they were concerned that after graduation, students had to retreat back into the shadows. They decided to share "Know Your Rights" materials with business owners to educate them on their rights if confronted by immigration authorities.

Eight small businesses in the Logan Square, Irving Park and Hermosa neighborhoods have agreed to have conversations about immigration reform and worker rights.

Alejandro Vargas, a Schurz High School senior who lives in Belmont Cragin, said response from the business community has been mostly positive, but people have misconceptions about what a safe space is. "They thought we were saying their workers are undocumented, and

they don't want to be known as a place that hires undocumented workers. We just want businesses to know that undocumented people have rights."

Vargas joined *Estudiantes Sin Fronteras* when the club formed in 2015. He said that his family came to Chicago from Mexico and that it took his mother a long time to adjust her immigration status. Not everyone is so lucky, he said.

The student group works with the Logan Square Neighborhood Association on immigration issues. They partnered to create a "Know Your Rights" video last year to educate faculty, staff and parents. Marcelo Ferrer, an organizer with the association, said "Dreamers" and students with immigrant family members became particularly vulnerable after Trump took office.

Andrea Chavarria, 22, a former student trustee at Morton College, said she helped raise more than \$6,000 for DACA students by selling Mexican treats

and T-shirts and organizing an annual 5-kilometer race.

Chavarria, a DACA recipient from Mexico, said she applied for protected status at age 18.

She said she feels "pretty nervous most of the time" since the Trump administration moved to end the program but looks to fellow DACA recipients for support.

"There are a lot of students who are undocumented and are afraid to speak up because they're scared or they think people won't understand. There needs to be more advocacy in the community."

Now, Chavarria attends the University of Illinois at Chicago on a scholarship from TheDream.US, which partnered with five colleges in Illinois. The group has awarded about \$34 million to more than 2,800 students nationwide since 2014.

"We haven't given up," she said. "If anything, we're fighting harder."

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Trump: 'Great shot' at bigger deal with Iran

But president adds 'maybe not' amid talks with Macron

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump suggested Tuesday that he would consider a plea from visiting French President Emmanuel Macron to renegotiate and expand the multinational Iran nuclear deal rather than follow through on his long-standing pledge to tear it up.

Macron, who came to Washington intent on salvaging the 2015 accord that dismantled Iran's nuclear program through 2025, proposed "a new deal" to allay Trump's concerns — by adding planks to contain Iran's uranium enrichment, its missile programs and its support of militants throughout the region.

"I think we will have a great shot at doing a much bigger — maybe — deal, maybe not deal," Trump said during a press conference with Macron. "We're going to find out, but we'll know fairly soon."

Macron is on a three-day state visit, the first such formal event for a foreign leader in the Trump presidency, reflecting the affinity between the two leaders. With a May 12 deadline looming for Trump to waive

U.S. sanctions against Iran, in keeping with the Iran deal brokered by the Obama administration, Macron's main mission is preserving the pact. Trump, who has reluctantly waived sanctions in the past, has vowed he would not do so again.

That would likely unravel the deal. Besides the United States, France and Iran, the parties to the accord are Britain, Germany, Russia, China and the European Union. Like France, they maintain support for it. Whether they are open to renegotiation was unclear.

Macron said he and Trump held frank discussions; likewise in public, side by side before reporters, they openly conveyed their differences. The French president acknowledged Trump campaigned against the deal, yet he seemed to appeal to Trump's desire to hatch something big, outdoing his predecessors, by pressing him to renegotiate.

"This is the only way to bring about stability," Macron said, adding that "France is not naive when it comes to Iran."

He made the case that a new deal would not only keep Iran's nuclear ambitions at bay but also help bring a political settlement to the Syrian civil war — another issue in which Macron is trying to per-



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French leader Emmanuel Macron claps hands with President Donald Trump on Tuesday.

sue Trump to stay the course. Trump repeated that he is eager to withdraw remaining U.S. troops from Syria, while France wants the United States to keep a force in the war-torn country as a counterbalance to Iran and Russia.

Trump not only stopped short of endorsing a new Iran deal, in public he mostly disparaged the existing pact as "a disaster."

"It's insane. It's ridiculous. It should never have been made. But we will be talking about it," Trump said as the two leaders sat side-by-side in the Oval Office for their first business meeting early Tuesday.

Against such criticisms of the accord he favored, Mac-

ron stood gamely by, seemingly willing to risk political capital to sway Trump. He even endured an awkward gesture by the U.S. president. "We have a very special relationship. In fact, I'll get that little piece of dandruff off," Trump said, brushing at Macron's lapel. "We have to make him perfect — he is perfect."

During one meeting attended by officials from both countries, Trump separately expressed optimism about his still-unscheduled meeting with North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un this spring, calling him "very honorable."

Questioned at the press conference about his kind words for an autocrat ac-

cused of starving his people, among other abuses, Trump said, "I haven't even discussed a concession, other than the fact that meeting is a great thing."

Trump has bonded with Macron, but he sounded like a man who might yet disappoint his friend. He complained that the deal to dismantle Iran's nuclear program gave the country too much money and no restrictions on its separate activities to develop missiles and make trouble internationally. (The money Iran got was its own, assets that had been long frozen until it complied with the 2015 accord.)

"It just seems that no matter where you go, espe-

cially in the Middle East, Iran is behind it. Wherever there's trouble — Yemen, Syria — no matter where you have it, Iran is behind it," Trump said. "And now, unfortunately, Russia is getting more and more involved."

Trump spoke vaguely but ominously about how the U.S. would contain Iran if it resumes its nuclear weapons development. "If they restart their nuclear program," he said, "then they will have bigger problems than they've ever had before."

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Ozra Kenari cries as she places flowers on a memorial for victims along a Toronto street on Tuesday.

Toronto driver charged with 10 1st-degree murder counts

BY CHARMAINE NORONHA AND DAVID R. MARTIN
Associated Press

TORONTO — The 25-year-old suspect who is accused of plowing a van into a crowded Toronto sidewalk was ordered held Tuesday on 10 counts of murder and 13 of attempted murder as Canadian authorities and the public sought to make sense of one of the deadliest mass killings in the country's modern history.

Alek Minassian showed little emotion as he made a brief appearance in a Toronto courtroom in a white jumpsuit and handcuffs. The judge ordered him detained without bond and scheduled the next hearing for May 10.

His father, Vahe Minassian, cried and looked stunned inside the courtroom. Asked outside if he had any message for the families of the victims, he said quietly: "I'm sorry."

Police, meanwhile, continued to gather evidence. About 20 officers made their way down the van's deadly path on Yonge Street, which remained

closed to traffic Tuesday and taped off with yellow crime scene tape. Nearby, mourners had put together a makeshift memorial to the victims.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau dismissed the possibility of terrorism, saying authorities saw no national security element in the case.

The incident "hasn't changed the overall threat level in Canada," he told a news conference, though it occurred as Cabinet ministers from the G7 nations were meeting in Toronto.

Authorities have not disclosed a possible motive, though "the incident definitely looked deliberate," Police Chief Mark Saunders told reporters at a late-night news conference Monday.

Saunders said Minassian, who lives in the Toronto suburb of Richmond Hill with his family, had not been known to police previously.

Authorities released few details in the case, saying the investigation was still underway, with witnesses being interviewed and surveillance video being examined.

According to a LinkedIn profile, Minassian attended

Seneca College in the Toronto area. Another student, Joseph Pham, told The Toronto Star that Minassian was in a computer programming class with him last week.

Pham described Minassian as a "socially awkward" student who kept to himself. "He didn't really talk to anyone."

Before college, Minassian attended Thornlea Secondary School in Richmond Hill, graduating in 2011. A Thornlea classmate, Ari Blaff, told CBC News he recalls Minassian was "sort of in the background," not the center of any particular group of friends.

"He wasn't overly social," Blaff told the news broadcaster.

Minassian posted a Facebook message just minutes before driving into the crowd, authorities said Tuesday, that raised the possibility he may have nursed grudges against women.

Toronto Police Services Det. Sgt. Graham Gibson told a news conference those killed and injured were "predominantly" women, though he said investigators have not yet

determined whether they were targeted for that reason and declined to discuss a possible motive.

The gender issue arose because of what police called a "cryptic" Facebook message posted by Minassian just before the incident that suggested he was part of an online community angry over their inability to form relationships with women.

The now-deleted post saluted Elliot Rodger, a community college student who killed six people and wounded 13 in shooting and stabbing attacks near the University of California at Santa Barbara in 2014.

Calling Rodger "the Supreme Gentleman," the Facebook post declared: "The Incel Rebellion has already begun! We will overthrow all the Chads and Stacys!"

Rodger had used the term "incel" — for involuntarily celibate — in online posts raging at women for rejecting him romantically. Like-minded people in internet forums use "Chad" and "Stacy" as dismissive slang for men and women with more robust sex lives.

Pa. jurors in Cosby retrial get the case after final arguments

BY MICHAEL R. SISAK
Associated Press

NORRISTOWN, Pa. — The jury in Bill Cosby's sexual assault retrial will begin deliberating Wednesday after a searing day of closing arguments in which the comedian was variously portrayed as a calculating predator who is finally being brought to justice, or the victim of a multimillion-dollar frame-up by a "pathological liar."

The judge sent the seven men and five women back to their hotel Tuesday after the jurors indicated they were exhausted from listening to 5½ hours of arguments.

"I want you well rested. I think you have collectively made a wise decision," Judge Steven O'Neill said.

The first big celebrity trial of the #MeToo eras pits Cosby, the 80-year-old former TV star whose career and good-guy reputation were destroyed by a barrage of allegations involving drugs and sex, against Andrea Constand, a former Temple University women's basketball administrator who testified that he drugged and sexually violated her at his suburban Philadelphia mansion 14 years ago.

Five other women got on the witness stand and testified the same thing had happened to them.

"The time for the de-

fendant to escape justice is over. It's finally time for the defendant to dine on the banquet of his own consequences," prosecutor Stewart Ryan told the jury.

Cosby's lawyers, meanwhile, argued that the charges were based on "flimsy, silly, ridiculous evidence."

Cosby faces three counts of aggravated indecent assault, each carrying up to 10 years in prison. The jury at his first trial deliberated for over six days last year without reaching a verdict.

Defense attorneys Tom Mesereau and Kathleen Bliss said in their closing argument that Constand consented to sexual activity, then leveled false accusations against the "Cosby Show" star so she could sue him and extract a big settlement.

Constand, 45, received nearly \$3.4 million from Cosby over a decade ago in what Mesereau called "one of the biggest highway robberies of all time."

"You're dealing with a pathological liar, members of the jury," Mesereau said. "You are."

Cosby's wife, Camille, looked on from the gallery as his lawyers pleaded with the jury to clear him.

After last year's hung jury, the defense mounted a more aggressive effort to stoke doubts about Constand's credibility.



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Jurors will begin deliberating Wednesday in the Bill Cosby sexual assault case.

Ex-employer: Something 'off' about Waffle House suspect

BY SHEILA BURKE AND JONATHAN MATTISE
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The suspect in Sunday's killings at a Tennessee Waffle House once lived in Colorado, where police say a co-worker described him as being paranoid and delusional at times. The co-worker also told a detective the man was infatuated with singer Taylor Swift.



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A former colleague called Travis Reinking "a good kid that went off the handle."

knew Reinking as openly gay, according to the interview notes. At one point, he quit work believing police were following him and later drove to Last Chance, an unincorporated community in eastern Colorado, thinking it was his "last chance" to marry Swift, the report said.

Ken and Darlene Sustrich, the owners of the crane service where Reinking worked for six months, recalled a time when he and other members of a crew were returning to Salida after completing a job. As they passed through the town of Last Chance, Reinking quit on the spot.

"He misconstrued that was his last chance," Ken Sustrich said. "He got super-paranoid, and he quit that day. He said, 'This is my last chance.'"

Reinking's intelligence impressed them. He would sometimes talk about astrophysics, Darlene Sustrich said.

In his last few days at the crane service, he began showing signs of paranoia.

"You could see something was off with him, but nothing violent," Darlene Sustrich said. Then came a call from the FBI, saying Reinking had tried to jump the White House fence.

"We told them, 'Hang onto him if you can. Help him if you can,'" she said.

Ken Sustrich told police that he reached out to

Reinking's father with concerns about his son's mental health. He said the father replied that he was aware of the issues and "had been recently trying to rekindle his relationship with Travis," the police report said.

Davidson County Sheriff Daron Hall said Tuesday that Reinking has been "compliant" and "cooperative" since he was transferred to the jail late Monday after he was captured near the apartment where he lived. Reinking is wearing a vest known informally as a "suicide smock" and will remain under close observation at a maximum-security facility.

Also on Tuesday, a Nashville judge revoked the bond of the shooting suspect, who is charged with four counts of homicide.

Court records show that a judge struck Reinking's \$2 million bond until a hearing can be held Wednesday. The records did not give a reason why General Sessions Judge Michael Mondelli revoked the bond.

An attorney listed as Reinking's lawyer did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment.

Nashville police say they were not aware of Reinking's past fixation with Swift, but authorities in Music City say they are all too familiar with people preoccupied with the superstar, who has a home there. "You wouldn't believe how many people are obsessed with Taylor Swift," Nashville Police Chief Steve Anderson said.

Meanwhile, the man who snatched an AR-15 rifle away from the gunman at the restaurant told Tennessee lawmakers Tuesday he faced "the true test of a man," drawing a standing ovation. As the House hailed him as a hero with a resolution, James Shaw Jr. said he acted early Sunday to save his own life, and saved others in the process.



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A mourner, center, who said she was the godmother of DeEbony Groves, 21, attends a news conference Monday in Nashville, Tenn. Groves, a college student, was killed Sunday.

Dying young: 4 gunned down in Nashville were in their 20s

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The four dead victims of the Waffle House shooting Sunday in Nashville were all in their 20s. They included a college student, an aspiring rapper and music producer, and a restaurant employee.

Here is a look at their lives:

Akilah Dasilva, 23, of Antioch, was killed inside the restaurant. He was a rap artist and music video producer who had such skills behind the camera that he was a favorite among many of Music City's independent musicians and recording labels, The Tennessean reported.

"Music is my life and I will never stop until I achieve my dreams," Dasilva said on his Twitter account.

His family has created a GoFundMe page to pay for his funeral. His stage name was Natix, and he was one of six siblings, according to the GoFundMe message. He was a student at Middle Tennessee State University and aspired to be a music engineer.

The message said he was

a loving son, a selfless friend, and a "beacon of hope, love, and strength in his family."

Dasilva was at the restaurant with his girlfriend, Tia Waggoner, The Tennessean reported. Waggoner, 21, was wounded and is being treated at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Dasilva's family said she underwent surgery and doctors were trying to save her leg.

DeEbony Groves, 21, was a senior at Nashville's Belmont University. She was remembered as an exceptional student and tenacious basketball player.

"She was a brilliant young lady, very, very intelligent and a very hard worker," Gallatin High School basketball coach Kim Kendrick told The Tennessean.

"The entire campus community is shocked and devastated by how such senseless violence has taken the life of this young woman, an individual full of immense potential," the statement said.

Joe Perez, 20, of Nashville, was fatally shot in the

parking lot of the restaurant.

Perez's mother posted a photo of her son on Facebook and asked for prayers, saying it was the hardest day of her life.

"Me, my husband and sons are broken right now with this loss," Trisha Perez said in the post. "Our lives are shattered."

Taurean Sanderlin, 29, of Goodlettsville, was killed in the parking lot. He worked at the restaurant.

The injured

Four people were injured, including Sharita Henderson, of Antioch, who is being treated at VUMC, and Waggoner. She is also being treated at the hospital.

James Shaw Jr., 29, of Nashville, is the restaurant patron who burned his hand grabbing the hot muzzle of the assault weapon as he wrestled the gun away from the shooter. Shaw works as a wireless technician for AT&T and said he was no hero — despite being hailed as one by Nashville Mayor David Briley and many others.

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Trump urges VA pick to keep fighting

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Jon Tester, the ranking Montana Democrat.

Later Tuesday, Tester said during an NPR interview that the committee had heard complaints from more than 20 current and former military members that Jackson had improperly given drugs, had become intoxicated on professional trips and belittled staffers.

"We were told stories where he was repeatedly drunk while on duty where his main job was to take care of the most powerful man in the world," Tester said. "That's not acceptable."

An Isakson spokeswoman said the senator remained undecided about the nomination but continues to harbor concerns.

Hours after Trump's news conference, more allegations emerged about Jackson, including a 2012 government report obtained by the AP that said he exhibited "unprofessional behavior" and should be removed from his post.

"There is a severe and pervasive lack of trust in the leadership that has deteriorated to the point that staff walk on 'eggshells,'" the report found.

It was another episode where a previously respected figure was lifted to prominence in Trump's orbit — only to have their sheen and reputation tarnished.

Jackson had been widely hailed by three presidents and their aides as competent, charming and fiercely protective before Trump stunned Washington last month by picking him to run the country's second-largest federal agency.

Senior aides said Jackson has showed no willingness to drop out as he trudged through meetings Tuesday with senators on Capitol Hill. Privately, he dismissed some of the charges to senior aides, according to administration officials, and said he was being unfairly attacked.

"I'm looking forward to the hearing," Jackson said. "I was looking forward to doing it tomorrow, so I'm looking forward to getting it rescheduled and answering all the questions."

White House officials said they were aware of accusations that Jackson gave out medicine to aides or others, including reporters, without rigorous scrutiny.

But several senior officials said the drugs were usually non-narcotic drugs, like Ambien. They also said Jackson was never intoxicated or drinking while working in the White House near Trump.

In a meeting with Sen. Jerry Moran, R-Kan., on Capitol Hill, Jackson denied any wrongdoing, the senator said.

"He does deny that he's done anything wrong in his service to the country and particularly his time at the White House as a physician in the medical unit," Moran said.

Jackson "indicated that he knows of nothing that would prohibit him from being qualified, capable and the right person to be se-



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Rear Adm. Ronny Jackson leaves a Senate office building Tuesday after meeting members of the veterans committee in Washington.

"I'm looking forward to getting it rescheduled and answering all the questions."

— Ronny Jackson, on postponed confirmation hearing

tary of the Department of Veterans Affairs."

Jackson's nomination also marked the shattering of another norm in Trump's Washington: VA secretaries have historically been approved unanimously, even sometimes by a voice vote.

The president left David Shulkin, a Barack Obama nominee, in the job. But Trump soured on Shulkin and removed him after an inspector's general report showed he took exorbitant trips and misled others about them.

There was uncertain congressional support for Jackson, a longtime presidential physician with little management experience, even before questions were raised about his conduct. It was also unclear why White House aides had not reviewed the allegations be-

fore Jackson was nominated last month.

He was picked seemingly on a whim by Trump, who did not formally interview him before nominating him — and ousting Shulkin — by tweet.

Concerns about Jackson were bipartisan.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., remained uncommitted to supporting the nominee, and a number of senior GOP aides on Capitol Hill estimated his chances of confirmation were slim.

Isakson, who chairs the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, had called White House chief of staff John Kelly twice in recent days to express concerns about new information, spokeswoman Amanda Maddox said.

Isakson and Tester wrote

to Trump on Tuesday morning, asking the White House to provide all documents related to Jackson's service in the White House medical unit as well as all communications between the Pentagon and the White House military office since 2006 that involve allegations or incidents connected to the physician. The senators also requested information the White House has about any allegations involving Jackson that were never relayed to the Pentagon.

In addition to Jackson's lack of management experience at a large organization, the physician had faced some ridicule and skepticism for his overtly glowing appraisal of Trump's health

after the president had his annual physical in January. Jackson declared that the president might live to the age of 200 with a healthier diet.

Isakson said the confirmation hearing is being delayed because the committee needs "some time to get more information."

"I'm concerned that the press is making up far too many stories that aren't true before we even get a chance to have a meeting," Isakson said Tuesday after meeting privately with Tester. "So I think Mr. Jackson and myself and Sen. Tester and everybody in Congress need to take a deep breath."

A leading veterans group said Tuesday that it was important for the Senate to

fully vet a nominee to lead the department, which has had seven secretaries since the start of the war in Afghanistan.

"On this critical leadership position at this turbulent time, (America) cannot afford a misfire by the White House," said Paul Rieckhoff, founder of Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America.

Sen. Patty Murray, a member of Veterans' Affairs Committee, said Trump didn't take the time to send over a fully vetted nominee.

"It is sloppy, it is disrespectful to our veterans and it is wrong," Murray, D-Wash., said.

Associated Press contributed.

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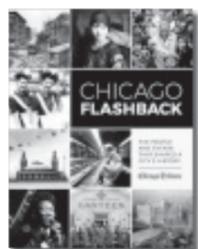
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Abortion wars heat up pre-midterms

Foes push strict laws as both sides rally base to vote

BY MARY JORDAN
The Washington Post

Mississippi's governor just signed a law, more restrictive than in any state, banning abortions after 15 weeks. Iowa's state Senate is trying to go even further by stopping abortions at around six weeks. And 20 Ohio lawmakers have proposed outlawing all abortions, even if the woman's life is in danger.

In many state capitols, Republican lawmakers are backing unusually strict anti-abortion laws. Many are emboldened by President Donald Trump, who has been more supportive of their agenda than any president in decades. Conservative lawmakers also are eager to get more tough restrictions on the books in case November's elections bring a surge of Democrats hostile to them.

Federal courts have immediately blocked many of these anti-abortion laws, including Mississippi's. But they still have a purpose: to set up legal challenges to Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion nationally, at a time when Trump could appoint the justice who helps overturn it.

"Trump has given hope to the pro-life movement," said Ron Hood, a Republican state representative who introduced the total abortion ban in Ohio.

Under Hood's bill, women could be criminally punished for aborting an "unborn human." In an interview, Hood said prosecutors would decide what charges to seek, just as they do in cases of manslaughter or murder.

For years, many anti-abortion groups have argued that laws should penalize the doctor, not the woman, but Hood said about a quarter of his col-



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An Ohio legislator says President Trump gives "hope to the pro-life movement," including the annual March for Life, above.

leagues in Ohio's 99-member House chamber are lined up behind his bill.

"Those who oppose abortion rights are seeing this as a time to push for the most extreme measures," said Nancy Northup, chief executive of the Center for Reproductive Rights, which supports abortion rights.

About 1 in 4 women have an abortion in their lifetime, according to the Guttmacher Institute, a reproductive rights research organization, in a report recently published in the American Journal of Public Health.

In the Trump era, the long-running abortion wars are heating up again, and the country is increasingly divided when it comes to the availability of abortions.

Many Republican-controlled states are ratcheting back access — establishing waiting periods, outlawing common medical procedures, and cutting off Medicaid funding.

At the same time, Democratic-controlled states are expanding access to contraception and reproductive health; in Washington state, the governor just required insurers to cover abortion costs.

Charles Donovan, president of the research institute of the Susan B. Anthony List, which promotes politicians who oppose abortion, said the looming midterm elections "certainly do add a push" to get anti-abortion laws in the pipeline for a potential Supreme Court challenge.

In 2017, Trump's first year in the White House, 19 states passed 63 anti-abortion restrictions, according to Guttmacher.

Collectively these measures send a loud message, Donovan said. "It's a cultural message, not just a legal message, to the court."

Before Trump ran for president, he very publicly said he was "very pro-choice." But when he be-

came a candidate, he promised to appoint judges to reverse Roe v. Wade and won over many Republican voters, including from the religious right, who remain among his steadfast supporters.

They applauded his appointment to the Supreme Court, Neil Gorsuch, who has never ruled in an abortion case and evaded questions at his confirmation hearings about Roe v. Wade but who has consistently voted with the court's conservative majority. Another vacancy on the court would give Trump a chance to increase that majority, a prospect that has thrilled Trump supporters.

The opportunity has not worked out in the past. Justice Anthony Kennedy was once thought to be the missing vote to overturn Roe but instead affirmed the right of women to seek an abortion.

But Kennedy is 81 and is said to be considering re-

retirement. Two of the court's liberals, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen Breyer, are 85 and 79, respectively.

The chance to replace one of the three offers abortion opponents "something they never thought they would have: a potential majority on the Supreme Court" who would overturn this landmark decision, said John Weaver, a Republican strategist who has advised Ohio Gov. John Kasich.

Northup said Trump has unleashed a "new level of aggression" among abortion opponents. Recent bills include those that would prosecute doctors who perform one as early as six weeks, make no exception for rape, forbid women from getting an abortion if the reason is a high probability of Down syndrome; and, as in Ohio, allow a prosecutor to seek criminal charges against women.

"People better vote on November 6th like their life depends on it," said Kellie

Copeland, executive director of NARAL Pro-Choice Ohio. She said the discussion in Columbus of criminally prosecuting women "is so far out of the mainstream" that there is urgency for voters to turn out.

Democrats, who overwhelmingly support preserving the rights of women to end an unwanted pregnancy, say energy is high and record numbers of women are running in November. They are hoping for wins that could shift the power balance in state capitols.

Conservatives also say they are energized.

Susan Swayze Liebel, coordinator of the National Pro-Life Women's Caucus for the Susan B. Anthony List, and abortion opponents are working to turn out their base.

"The Trump effect is the hope effect for the pro-life movement," Liebel said.

A Pew Research poll last year found that 69 percent of Americans did not want to overturn Roe v. Wade.

But Pew also showed a stark party split: 75 percent of Democrats said abortion should be legal in all or most cases, while 65 percent of Republicans believed it should be illegal in those cases.

A big Republican-wave election in 2010, after the election of Barack Obama, sharply increased GOP and conservative clout in states that remains today. Since then, 33 states have passed laws to limit abortion.

In Texas, an increasingly hostile environment for abortion providers contributed to the closures of 20 clinics, abortion rights groups said, about half those in the state. In the Republican strongholds of Mississippi and Kentucky, one clinic is left.

In certain parts of the country, "It is unequivocally much harder now to access abortion care than any year since Roe v. Wade," Northup said.

In upcoming Rob Ford film, female reporter is rewritten

Character who broke stories of Toronto mayor is seemingly re-imagined as a man

BY SAMANTHA SCHMIDT
The Washington Post

It was Easter morning in 2013 when Robyn Doolittle, then a reporter for the Toronto Star, received a phone call from a man who said he had a video of Toronto Mayor Rob Ford smoking crack cocaine. She was one of the first reporters to view the now-notorious video, which sparked headlines worldwide and made Ford the subject of international ridicule.

Ford died of cancer in 2016.

Doolittle spent four years covering the controversial politician's many scandals.

"I've spent half of my career devoted to his story. I've written hundreds of thousands of words about Mr. Ford and his time at city hall, including a book," she wrote after his death. "If you happen to recognize my name, it is because of him."

So Doolittle, now a reporter for the Globe and Mail, was taken aback when she heard the news earlier this month that in an upcoming film, a male actor would be playing the role of a reporter investigating the Ford scandal.

The movie, "Run This Town" tells the story of a young journalist in a post-recession Toronto who struggles to chase the story on Ford's crack-smoking scandal, the film's 32-year-old director Ricky Tollman told the Canadian Press.

Ford, who is played by Damian Lewis of "Homeland," is in only a few scenes, and his scandal serves merely as a backdrop to the main plot.

The journalist, a fictional newsroom intern, is played by Ben Platt, of the Broadway musical "Dear Evan Hansen." The drama is being shot in Toronto.

Canadian actors Nina Dobrev and Mena Massoud play the mayor's aides, who try to suppress the story from publication, according to the Hollywood Reporter.

"I'm glad they're rewriting the fact that it was a female reporter who investigated Rob Ford," Doolittle tweeted sarcastically after headlines emerged about the film. "Why have a woman be a lead character when a man could do it?"

She clarified that she's not "begrudging" Platt, "just about the move in general: obviously I'm bi-

ased, but man, I've seen a lot of stories by male reporters celebrated in movies..."

Doolittle then shared a tweet that said a female reporter would "have to fall in love with Rob Ford, and that would be very difficult to write."

"The female reporter always has to fall in love or sleep with someone," she tweeted in agreement.

She also said she could not respond to requests for comment because "I'm on maternity leave and gotta put down the electronics."

The film's director told the Canadian Press he was surprised by criticism to the news of the movie, particularly those who assumed it told the true story of reporters who investigated Ford.

Platt's character, Tollman said, is not based on anyone at "the Toronto Star, or the Globe and Mail, or Gawker, the people who were really on the case, this isn't their story."

He said "people took three words out of the description of the film and spun it into something that it's not, without having read the script."

Platt also responded to the criticism with a statement on Twitter, saying he felt the need to correct false assumptions, as "much of the hate has been directed



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The reporter who broke the story about Rob Ford, above, was taken aback when she heard about an upcoming film in which a male actor plays a journalist chasing the story.

towards me." He said the film focuses on three fictional young people, including himself, Dobrev and Massoud "trying to find a place in the world of politics and journalism."

"In one of the storylines, I play a low-level reporter at a fictional paper that attempts, and ultimately fails, to be a part of the reporting of the scandal," he said. "The character is in no way based on Robyn Doolittle and the film does not attempt to co-opt her narrative."

"It is historical fiction — it is not a Rob Ford biopic nor a retelling of the successful reporting on the Rob

Ford scandal by Robyn Doolittle," Platt also said.

Even after clarifications from Platt and the director, several reporters and others posted Twitter messages backing Doolittle. Some noted that although many reporters investigated Ford's troubled term as mayor, Doolittle is "widely credited" with helping break the crack scandal.

"Robyn Doolittle was THE reporter digging into this story, and it was also her that took on the consequences and attacks from Rob Ford," one tweet said.

Lauren MacKinlay tweeted "Why reshape @robbyndoolittle's pivotal

role in the Rob Ford fiasco as a male character? We had a brilliant female reporter chase down the story of the decade from a known misogynist. The fact that she's backing Doolittle. Some more interest. Wouldn't YOU watch that movie?"

Lucas Meyer tweeted "What studio is running this joint? How in the world do they not represent @robbyndoolittle's role?"

"The movie is called Run This Town. Robyn wrote Crazy Town. Just get Rooney Mara to play Doolittle and E. McGregor to play @_kevindonovan and it's done bro."

Agency tells retailers not to sell Juul to kids

BY MATTHEW PERRONE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal health officials on Tuesday announced a nationwide crackdown on underage use of a popular e-cigarette brand following months of complaints from parents, politicians and school administrators.

The Food and Drug Administration issued warnings to 40 retail and online stores as part of a month-long operation against illegal sales of Juul to chil-

dren. Investigators targeted 7-Eleven locations, Shell gas stations and Cumberland Farms convenience stores as well as vaping shops.

FDA regulators also asked manufacturer Juul Labs to turn over documents about the design, marketing and ingredients of its product. The rare request focuses on whether certain product features are aimed at young people.

Like other e-cigarettes, Juul is an electronic device that turns liquid — usually containing nicotine — into a

vapor that can be inhaled.

Thanks in part to its resemblance to a small computer flash drive, Juul has become popular with some teenagers as a discreet way to vape at school and in public. Parents, teachers and principals say they are struggling to control the booming trend.

"The bathroom is the main source of it," said Maureen Byrne, the principal of Dublin High School near San Francisco. "As students become more comfortable, we have seen it in

classrooms and on campus even out in the open."

Health advocates have worried about the popularity of vaping products among kids and the potential impact on adult smoking rates in the future. A recent government report found "substantial evidence" that young people who use e-cigarettes are more likely to try cigarettes.

The San Francisco-based company said it agrees with the FDA that underage use of its products is "unacceptable."



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Juul e-cigarettes have become popular among young people, including those too young to buy or use the devices.

Earth's giants were 1 step for small man

Study says hunting hominids killed off our ancient beasts

By JASON BITTEL
Special to The Washington Post

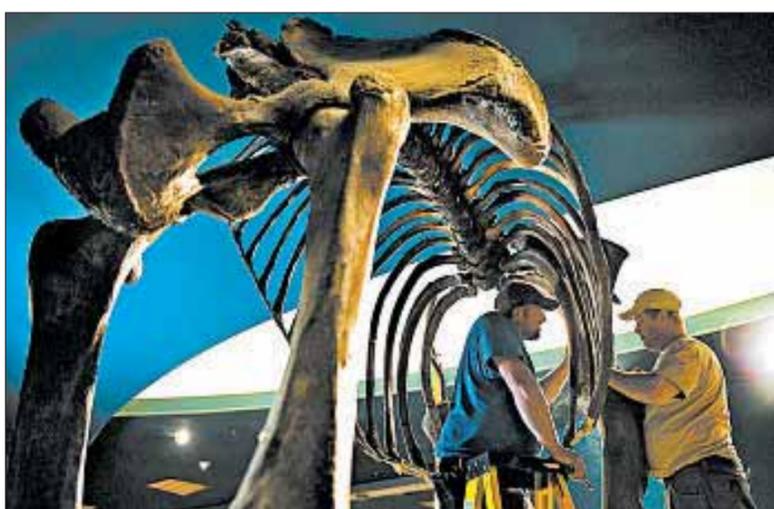
Life on Earth used to look a lot more impressive. Just a little more than 100,000 years ago, there were sloths as long as a giraffe is tall, monstrous bears whose shoulders were six feet off the ground, and Bunyanesque beavers that weighed as much as an NFL linebacker. But over time, all of these creatures disappeared in a manner so rapid and so mysterious that scientists still can't fully explain what went down.

Did an asteroid discharge the mega-beasts, similar to the one thought to have snuffed out the dinosaurs? Or was it widespread climactic change or a plague of new diseases? Did our penchant for hunting play a role?

It's likely some combination of factors led to a planet-wide demise in sizable mammals as the Ice Age came to a close. But a study published last week in the journal *Science* provides evidence that the major drivers were humans and other hominids.

"We looked at the entire fossil record for 65 million years, in million-year increments, and we asked the question, 'Is it ever bad to be big?'" said lead author Felisa Smith, a paleoecologist at the University of New Mexico. For most of evolutionary history, the answer was no — larger body mass did not make an animal more likely to go extinct, she said. "For 65 million years, it didn't matter what size you were."

That is, until a new kind of predator arrived on the scene: *Homo erectus*. Around 1.8 million years ago, hominids that had long been dependent on plants became hominids that were "heavily and increasingly dependent on meat as a food source,"



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Large animals that lived 25 million years ago, such as the mammoth, were targeted by early humans for food.

Smith said.

As these tool-wielding team hunters spread out from Africa, large-mammal extinctions followed in their wake. If you're going to spend time and energy on a hunt, these early humans and their ancestors probably believed, it's go big or go home.

"You hunt a rabbit, you have food for a small family for a day," Smith said. "You hunt a mammoth, you feed the village."

It's also possible that hominids actively targeted the mightiest creatures for other reasons — out of fear, perhaps, or perceived competition for prey. In modern times, human conflict with large animals is often about their taste for our livestock, as with wolves and lions, or their destruction or consumption of our crops, as with elephants and orangutans.

But something about substantial animals makes them more vulnerable to population collapse, said William Ripple, director of the Global Trophic Cascades Program at Oregon State University. For starters, there are usually fewer of the big animals, at least compared with the little guys.

"Their life history traits, such as reproduction rates and maturity rates, are much slower," Ripple said. "Big animals don't reproduce as fast as small ones."

As hominids dispersed, the average body mass of mammals in Eurasia dropped by about half over the course of 100,000 years, Smith and her colleagues found. In Australia, the average mammal body mass today is just one-tenth what it was before 125,000 years ago.

North America was late to the game as

far as extinctions went, with most of its massive mammals surviving up to the very end of the Pleistocene. But when they did go, they went fast, a phenomenon Smith says might have to do with the invention of more-effective, long-range hunting weapons by *Homo sapiens* and the disappearance of all rival hominids. All told, after the black dust of extinction had settled, the size of North America's average mammal dropped from 216 pounds to about 17 pounds — the size of a bobcat.

To see what might happen if this shrinking trend continues, Smith presumed that all animals now listed as endangered or threatened would eventually go extinct and then removed them from the data.

Go down the line, and within a few hundred years you wind up with a planet where the most substantial mammal is none other than the domestic cow.

Ripple, the ecologist, is unsurprised. He has published numerous papers finding that large mammals are at a disproportionate risk for extinction.

"I think this paper is a significant contribution to what I call the 'downsizing of nature,'" he said of the new study.

Of course, several animals make a living by preying on larger creatures, Ripple said. Gray wolves can take down an elk; killer whales have been seen dispatching gray whales.

"So it may be that humans have evolved to do that," Ripple said. "But nowadays, we have well over 7 billion humans on planet Earth. And 7 billion humans have a huge impact."

While the new paper focuses on mammals, Ripple said the same size-selective pressures are bearing down on the world's grandest fish, reptiles, amphibians and birds. And we're only now starting to understand what consequences this might have for the ecosystems all around us.



GERALD HERBERT/AP

Industry groups and free-market activists have been pushing for more than 20 years for a ban along the lines of what's been proposed.

EPA plans ban on 'secret' research

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science to political manipulation, the research groups say. That is because many health studies involve large amounts of patient data, which can be accessed only under condition of confidentiality. Banning such studies would prevent the EPA from considering many health impacts when looking at rules to limit pollution.

Identical proposals stalled in Congress after protests from research groups, including the University of California system and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Environmentalists said Pruitt's motive is not to improve scientific integrity, but to stifle regulation.

"This is a blatant attack on science that undermines the EPA's ability to protect our health and environment," said Tiernan Sittenfeld, the chief Washington lobbyist for the League of Conservation Voters. She called the proposal a "sham" that would "limit the EPA's ability to use the best research on the health effects of pollution, which form the basis for vitally important protections."

The proposal gave Pruitt an opportunity to rally his most loyal supporters at a time his job is in jeopardy. He faces multiple investigations for alleged ethical lapses, and his support at the White House and among Republican lawmakers who long defended him has begun to fade.

On Thursday, Pruitt is scheduled to testify on Capitol Hill, where he likely will be confronted with tough questions, many by Republicans, about his spending at the agency and his financial relationships with people who had business before him.

Pruitt surrounded himself with a less hostile audience at EPA headquarters Tuesday. Reporters weren't allowed in the room to ask questions.

Supporters seemed to go out of their way to address his precarious place in the Trump administration: "We could not have a better head of the EPA," Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, declared.

Pruitt's critics accused him of seeking to ban research that has undergone extensive peer review in order to pursue a political

agenda.

Former EPA chief Gina McCarthy accused Pruitt of seeking to "cripple" his own agency. Studies driving some of the most important environmental protections, she said, were built around analysis of medical records that the law requires be kept secret.

Industry groups and free-market activists have been pushing for more than 20 years for a ban along the lines of what Pruitt proposed. The battle began in the 1990s after Harvard researchers examined how air pollution affected more than 8,000 adults and 14,000 children in six U.S. cities over a period of more than a dozen years.

Their findings were alarming. Residents of the city with the dirtiest air were 26 percent more likely to die prematurely than residents of the city with the cleanest air. The main cause of the health problems was soot from burning fossil fuels.

The study opened the way to some of the most aggressive federal smog and soot rules in history. The new rules, which the EPA at the time said would prevent 15,000 premature deaths annually and 250,000 cases of asthma, were a major financial burden for industry, which fought them aggressively. The federal government's embrace of the Harvard findings has provided a legal foundation for aggressive air rules to this day.

As is typically the case in public health studies, the Harvard researchers had guaranteed participants' confidentiality.

Industry critics say such guarantees prevent them from fully vetting studies and determining the accuracy of the conclusions. Many scientists, however, say that studies of similar size and scope won't be possible in the future if such guarantees can't be made.

Scientific groups are also alarmed by a requirement in Pruitt's proposal that any science that helps form the basis of an environmental regulation be subject to being "replicated" independently.

Many important studies, scientists warn, can not be easily reproduced because they involve tracking large numbers of people over lengthy periods of time. In other cases, the data may be available only after a particular event, as was the case with

environmental studies assessing the impacts of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010. Those studies might have been off-limits to the EPA had Pruitt's proposal been in effect at the time, his opponents say.

Nearly 1,000 scientists sent Pruitt a letter Monday urging that he not adopt the ban. Doing so, they warned, would lead to "policies and practices that will ignore significant risks to the health of every American."

The proposal Pruitt embraced has been a longtime goal of some of the most ardent critics of mainstream environmental science. Conservative activists accuse many environmental scientists of approaching their work with an agenda.

Pruitt's announcement of the proposed rules was made in a closed event that included some of those lawmakers, and also prominent climate skeptics.

Smith, who heads the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee applauded Pruitt for "bringing a stop to hidden agendas."

"For too long, the EPA has issued rules and regulations based on data that has been withheld from the American people," Smith said. "The American people have a right to know how and why regulations are made."

Environmental groups promised to challenge Pruitt's plan in court. If the proposal survives court challenges, however, it could limit even a future administration more sympathetic to environmental regulation. That's because a new administration would have to go through a lengthy process of changing federal rules before regulators could once again consider the types of public health and other studies Pruitt wants banned.

"This proposal would mean throwing out the studies we rely on to protect the public, for no good reason," said Betsy Southerland, who resigned as director of science and technology at the EPA Office of Water in August. "This would have an enormous and negative impact on the EPA's ability to enforce the law and protect people's health."

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Nature's dinner bell all out of whack

Climate change disrupts migration of prey, predators

By SETH BORENSTEIN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Global warming is screwing up nature's intricately timed dinner hour, often making hungry animals and those on the menu show up at much different times, a new study shows.

Timing is everything in nature. Bees have to be around and flowers have to bloom at the same time for pollination to work, and hawks need to migrate at the same time as their prey. In many cases, global warming is interfering with that timing, scientists said.

A first-of-its-kind global mega analysis on the biological timing of 88 species that rely on another life form shows that on average species are moving out of sync by about six days a decade, although some pairs are actually moving closer together.

While other studies have looked at individual pairs of species and how warming temperatures have changed their migration, breeding and other timing, the study in Monday's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences gives the first global look at a worsening timing problem.

These changes in species timing are considerably greater than they were before the 1980s, the study said.

"There isn't really any clear indication that it is going to slow down or stop in the near future," said study lead author Heather Kharouba, an ecologist at the University of Ottawa.

For example in the Netherlands, the Eurasian sparrow hawk has been late for dinner because its prey, the blue tit, has — over 16 years — arrived almost six days earlier than the hawk.

It's most noticeable and crucial in Washington state's Lake Washington, where over the past 25 years, plant plankton are now blooming 34 days earlier than the zooplankton that eat them. That's crucial because that's messing with the bottom of the food chain, Kharouba said.

In Greenland, the plants are showing up almost three days earlier than the caribou, so more of the baby caribou are dying "because there wasn't enough food," Kharouba said.

With warmer temperatures, most species moved their habits earlier, but interdependent species didn't always move at the same rate. It's the relative speed of changes in timing that's key, Kharouba said.

Because of the small number of species involved in small areas over different studies, Kharouba's team could not find a statistically significant link between temperature and changes in how species sync together. But what she saw, she said, "is consistent with climate change."

Scientists not involved in the study praised the work.

"It demonstrates that many species interactions from around the world are in a state of rapid flux," Boston University biology professor Richard Primack said in an email. "Prior to this study, studies of changing species interactions focused on one place or one group of species."

NEWS BRIEFING

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George H.W. Bush 'responding,' recovering, spokesman says

HOUSTON — Former President George H.W. Bush was "responding and recovering" to treatment at a Houston hospital on Tuesday for an infection that had spread to his blood, according to a family spokesman.

Bush has been hospitalized since Sunday, a day after attending the funeral of his wife, Barbara, who died last week at age 92. The couple was married 73 years, longer than any other U.S. presidential

couple. In a brief post on Twitter, family spokesman Jim McGrath said he could "happily" echo his report from Monday that the 93-year-old former president was "responding to treatments and appears to be recovering."

Bush has needed hospital treatment several times in recent years for respiratory problems and other infections. McGrath wouldn't elaborate Tuesday on the specifics of Bush's condition.



People in the U.K. pose Tuesday for photographs with a statue of suffragist and women's rights campaigner Millicent Fawcett after it was unveiled in London's Parliament Square to celebrate the 100th anniversary of women's voting rights in Britain.

U.S. pulls some from embassy amid protests in Nicaragua

The United States is shutting down routine operations at its embassy in Nicaragua and pulling out some of its employees amid deadly protests.

The State Department says it's raising the threat level for Nicaragua and encouraging Americans to reconsider plans to travel there. Family members of U.S. diplomats who also work at the embassy are being ordered out of the country until security improves. The State Department says it's also allowing U.S. government officials to leave "on a case-by-case basis."

The U.S. Embassy in Managua will stop providing services to the public, except for emergencies or by phone.

Rights groups say dozens have died in protests and looting triggered by changes to the social security system. On Sunday, President Daniel Ortega withdrew the changes.

Cambridge Analytica says it's 'no Bond villain' in scandal

LONDON — Cambridge Analytica attacked claims that it misused data from millions of Facebook accounts, saying Tuesday it is the victim of misunderstandings and inaccurate reporting that portrays the company as the evil villain in a James Bond movie.

Publicist Clarence Mitchell held Cambridge Analytica's first news conference since allegations surfaced that the Face-

book data helped Donald Trump win the 2016 presidential election.

"The company has been portrayed in some quarters as almost some Bond villain," Mitchell said. "Cambridge Analytica is no Bond villain."

Cambridge Analytica didn't use any of the Facebook data in the work it did for Trump's campaign and it never did any work on the Brexit campaign, Mitchell said.

Judge: U.S. government must accept new DACA applicants

WASHINGTON — A District of Columbia federal judge has delivered the toughest blow yet to Trump administration efforts to end deportation protections for young immigrants in the country illegally, ordering the government to continue the Obama-era program and — for the first time since announcing it would end — reopen it to new applicants.

U.S. District Judge John Bates on Tuesday called the government's decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program "virtually unexplained" and therefore "un-

lawful." However, he stayed his ruling for 90 days to give the Department of Homeland Security a chance to provide more solid reasoning.

Bates is the third judge to rule against Trump administration attempts to rescind DACA, which provides two-year, renewable work permits and deportation protections for about 690,000 immigrants brought to illegally to the country as children.

Bates said the decision to phase out the program starting in March "was arbitrary and capricious because the Department

failed adequately to explain its conclusion that the program was unlawful."

"Each day that the agency delays is a day that aliens who might otherwise be eligible for initial grants of DACA benefits are exposed to removal because of an unlawful agency action," Bates wrote.

U.S. judges in California and New York have also blocked the administration on those grounds, and ordered the administration to renew work permits for immigrants enrolled in the program.

Two Dallas police officers were critically wounded Tuesday in a shooting outside a Home Depot. The Dallas Police Department gave the conditions of the officers on Twitter. But it did not immediately provide other details. The department said a civilian was also shot. That person's condition wasn't known.

U.S. sailor accused of stealing grenades from Navy ship

SAN DIEGO — A sailor was arrested in Illinois on Tuesday on charges he stole 20 hand grenades from a San Diego-based Navy destroyer, authorities said.

Gunner's Mate 2nd Class Aaron Booker, 31, of Waukegan, Ill., was taken into custody at Naval Station Great Lakes by U.S. Navy criminal investigators and was expected to be returned to California. It was unclear whether he

had an attorney.

Booker stole the concussion grenades — each of which contained about a half-pound of TNT — while he was assigned to the Weapons Department aboard the USS Pinckney, prosecutors said.

The grenades were discovered missing from their storage crates in February 2017. Booker left the ship about a week later to drive to his new duty station in Great Lakes.

Israel cancels expulsions of African migrants

JERUSALEM — The Israeli government acknowledged Tuesday it cannot expel African migrants against their will and has canceled all pending deportation orders.

In a statement to the Supreme Court, the state said: "It is not possible to implement expulsions to a

third country without (migrants') consent."

Some 35,000 African migrants, mostly from Sudan and Eritrea, are in Israel. The government wants most of them to leave but has not been able to find a way to expel them lawfully.

Last month, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu

reached a deal with the U.N. to resettle half of the migrants in Western nations and absorb the rest. But he called it off hours later amid objections from nationalist critics. Tuesday, Netanyahu tweeted that he agreed with the interior minister to prepare to reopen detention camps.

Sinclair Broadcast Group will sell nine TV stations to Standard Media Group for \$441.7 million as part of its plan to meet regulatory approval for its pending acquisition of Tribune Media. The sale of the stations is contingent on the Tribune deal. Sinclair said it expects that deal to close by the end of the second quarter.

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20 180 degrees from WSW

21 Mover's truck

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24 Racket

26 Spanish article

27 Copper and tin

29 Ocean __; passenger ships

32 Identical

33 Bridges

35 Break a fast

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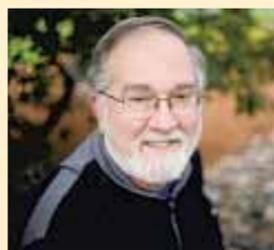
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EDITORIALS

Will City Hall get the lead out?

Cincinnati builders stopped using lead pipes for new construction in 1927. Boston and New York contractors did the same in the 1940s and '50s. In Chicago, it took Congress' 1986 nationwide ban on lead service lines to get the city to fall in line. Up until then, Chicago actually required the use of lead service lines connecting water mains to a home's plumbing.

How many houses and small apartment buildings still rely on lead service lines to deliver water from this city's supply system? Nearly 4 of every 5. And as the Tribune's Michael Hawthorne and Cecilia Reyes recently reported, lead is showing up in drinking water with alarming regularity.

A Tribune analysis of two years of testing results from 2,797 homes showed that nearly 70 percent of those water samples contained lead. In 3 of 10 homes, the amount of lead topped 5 parts per billion, exceeding the maximum allowed in bottled water by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The science about lead's toxicity is rock-solid. It's unsafe to consume at any level. Even minute amounts can cause damage to children's growing brains and, later in life, can contribute to kidney failure, heart disease and other health troubles.

City Hall needs to tackle the problem of lead in water. Lately, city government has been searching for ways to avoid it.

Following the Tribune's reporting, a group of aldermen sought committee hearings last week to examine whether the city is violating federal law by not doing enough to safeguard drinking water from lead, and to study the "financial, legal, social and health consequences" of lead in Chicago tap water.

Study the problem, brainstorm solutions. Sounds reasonable enough. But an ally of Mayor Rahm Emanuel, Ald. Patrick O'Connor, 40th, ensured that the resolution got sidelined. It was sent to the Rules Committee — a tactic aldermen often use to derail initiatives they dislike.

That resolution shouldn't die. Chicago needs to find an answer to its lead problem, and that answer needs to be lasting. Various short-term actions offer some help. The city treats drinking water with chemicals that create a protective coating to keep lead from leaching into the water. Filters help, as does flushing tap water for a few minutes if water hasn't been running for several hours.

But until Chicago finds a long-term fix, the city



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A Tribune analysis of water tests from 2,797 Chicago homes found that nearly 70 percent of the samples contained lead.

risks the health and future of its children.

In the past, we have been intrigued by a Madison, Wis., decision to tear out every last inch of lead piping in the city, an 11-year project that cost \$15.5 million. Homeowners paid for the work, but the city reimbursed them for half of the cost. In Cincinnati, where 1 in 9 service lines predate the 1927 ban and contain lead, city officials have embarked on a similar program.

Chicago should at least consider that strategy. Emanuel maintains that, since the lead service lines are on private property, replacing them should be up to the homeowners rather than the city.

But the city bears some responsibility for lead showing up in water. Chicago has been replacing public water mains, borrowing \$312 million for the program since Emanuel took office in 2011. Main replacement can shake loose the protective coating within the lead service lines and cause lead to leach into water as it

reaches residences. "City actions have increased the levels of lead in the water," Cook County Circuit Judge Raymond Mitchell wrote as part of his ruling this month in a lawsuit seeking the removal of lead service lines in Chicago. Mitchell dismissed the suit, citing case law that limits Illinois residents who seek damages when government actions cause harm. But he offered a blunt verbal judgment: "The city nevertheless pursues its projects and insists that the water is safe to drink."

City Hall may have won that battle, but it's losing the war against lead. If the city contributes to the problem of lead showing up in drinking water, shouldn't it shoulder part of the cost of removing lead service lines?

There's no debate about the perils of lead to human health. We've taken it out of gasoline, and we've taken it out of paint. It's time to settle on a long-term fix that gets lead out of Chicago's water.

More than 60,000 time bombs

If you were told you were driving a car with a bomb inside, would you pull over?

The Washington Post reports that more than 60,000 Honda vehicles on the road today have defective airbags that experts have referred to as "ticking time bombs," an airbag model regarded by safety experts as likeliest to cause serious injury or death. The owners of these vehicles are a small but stubborn subset defying what has been America's largest safety recall ever. It was initiated in 2008, and directed at Takata Corp., the Japanese manufacturer of the airbags. These owners have ignored the recall notices or never received them; many of the vehicles are older models that probably have changed hands.

The bomb analogy is dramatic but spot on. Worldwide, at least 22 people have been killed when airbags exploded and shot out shrapnel. Hundreds more motorists were seriously injured. The

impacts that deployed the devices didn't have to be major — often they were fender benders. Drivers killed by the airbags have had injuries that resemble gunshot wounds.

In a cost-cutting move, Takata used ammonium nitrate as the material to trigger the airbag inflators when a collision occurred, according to the Post. Ammonium nitrate should ring a bell. It's the unstable compound that Timothy McVeigh used in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing, and the material Afghan Taliban militants have used to craft roadside bombs, the biggest killer of American soldiers during the war in Afghanistan.

Other airbag manufacturers use a less volatile chemical, tetrazole. The chances of ammonium nitrate becoming problematic heighten when the material is exposed to moisture. Higher humidity or large, repeated fluctuations in temperature can cause Takata inflators to degrade, and

eventually explode.

Takata declared bankruptcy last year, under the weight of debt that topped \$9 billion. The Justice Department fined the company \$1 billion for manipulating test data about the performance of its inflators and failing to cooperate with the government's investigation into the airbags.

Overall, the recall has involved more than 39 million vehicles built by 19 automakers, according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data. More than 22 million of those cars have been repaired. But while many owners have heeded the recall warnings and had airbags replaced, 62,307 people are driving Hondas equipped with the dangerous driver-side airbag models, known as Alphas. Those airbags have a 50 percent chance of exploding — not of deploying but of exploding — after impact. Alpha recalls also have been issued for an unspecified number of 2006 Ford Ranger and Mazda B-Series vehicles.

A question to those motorists: What are you waiting for? A former Justice Department prosecutor involved in the recall effort has referred to the Alpha airbag as a grenade waiting to explode. And even for motorists whose cars don't have an Alpha but have airbag models included in the recall, remember this: When you're behind the wheel, the device safety experts urge you to replace is positioned about a foot from your chest.

Appearing on the market in the 1980s, airbags have a proven track record of saving lives. There's an easy way to see if your airbag is among the dangerous ones. At NHTSA's website, www.nhtsa.gov, input your vehicle identification number (VIN), and see whether your car is subject to the recall. If it is, hustle to a dealer. Repairs are free of charge. Knowing what's at stake for you and your loved ones, how can you put it off any longer?

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

A liberal can believe that government can do more good or less, and one can debate how much to conserve. But progressivism is inherently hostile to moderation because progress is an unmitigated good. There cannot be too much of it. Like conservative fundamentalism, progressivism contributes to the polarization and paralysis of government because it makes compromise, which entails accepting less progress, not merely inadvisable but irrational. ...

Unlike liberalism, progressivism is intrinsically opposed to conservation. ... The critic of progress is not merely wrong but a fool. Progressivism's critics have long experienced this as a passive-aggressive form of re-education. Because progress is an unadulterated good, it supersedes the rights of its opponents. This is evident in progressive indifference to the rights of those who oppose progressive policies in areas like sexual liberation. This is one reason progressives have alienated moderate voters who turned to Donald Trump in 2016.

Greg Weiner, *The New York Times*

With the self-proclaimed "king of debt" in the White House and free-spending liberalism ascendant in the opposition party, Washington is throwing money around like — well, I'd say a drunken sailor, but it wouldn't be fair to drunks or sailors. After denouncing stimulus spending in the depths of a near-depression, Republicans have injected trillions of new stimulus at a time of full employment. They turned needed tax reform into a budget-busting spree and followed up with a spending bill that glided through Congress on a river of fat.

But the federal debt is just the beginning. Consumer debt (mainly credit cards, auto loans and student loans) is at the highest level in history, nearly \$3.9 trillion. Household debt, which adds mortgages to the total, is also a record: more than \$13 trillion. And, to borrow from Ron Popeil, there's more. The Pew Charitable Trusts is out with its latest update on the ticking time bomb of state pension funding. This is its own brand of debt because millions of people have been promised future payments, promises state governments will either keep or break.

David Von Drehle, *The Washington Post*

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PERSPECTIVE



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Dorothy Brown, Cook County Circuit Court clerk, announces Sunday that she will challenge Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Brown lost to Mayor Richard M. Daley in 2007.

Why Dorothy Brown's run for mayor will matter



ERIC ZORN

Is Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown ready to be mayor of Chicago?

No. She was vague and unpersuasive in her fledgling campaign's rollout TV interview Monday with WTTW-Ch. 11's Carol Marin.

Marin noted the city's budget shortfall and looming debts: "Where are you going to get new money?" she asked. "What are your plans for that?"

Brown: "I'm going to be rolling out my plans for new revenue. But I believe that we have not taken advantage of many types of things that our assets can do."

Marin: "Like what for instance?"

Brown: "Well, things that we could do with our assets, I will be rolling those plans out ..."

Marin: "You mean selling assets?"

Brown: "No, not selling assets. But there are things that we can do with our assets. You can advertise for instance. And so, that. But also, technology. I think we have not taken advantage of technology, and until we make ..."

Marin: "To make money for the city of Chicago?"

Brown: "Yes. Yes. There are various ways that you can utilize technology. And I will be rolling those plans out in the near future. ... I'm going to look at various ways that other cities — in the United States as well as abroad — how they have raised revenue. Some of them have raised revenue in various

ways, and so I want to bring new and sustainable revenues to Chicago."

Marin: "Does one city come to mind as a really successful city that you would like to emulate?"

Brown: "Well I'm going to be tracking — I'm going to be doing the research and finding the various ways. So, no, I don't have a city that comes to mind right now that I want to emulate. But we're going to be rolling out our plan to show all of that in the future."

Shades of Chuy Garcia! He ran for mayor in 2015 and, when pressed to offer concrete budgetary solutions in a debate just three weeks before his runoff race against incumbent Rahm Emanuel, bleated, "I can't tell you right now how I would solve it ... (but) I'm going to be collaborative and engaging."

For good measure, Brown threw in the promise of a "forensic audit," a meaningless bit of rhetorical huff-and-puff that history has shown is the last refuge of the cowardly and clueless pol.

So it's odd but not unprecedented that Brown announced her candidacy Sunday with platitudes but no platform and no plan.

Is Brown's candidacy a joke?

Also no.

While it's true that her campaign coffers are nearly bare and she's long been under significant legal and ethical clouds, it's also true that she's a proven vote-getter, having resoundingly won re-election four times, even in 2016 when her character and performance in office was under heavy fire in the media.

"I got almost 800,000 votes right here in the city of Chicago (in 2016)," she told Marin. "And guess what? ...

only 590,000 people actually voted in the mayoral race in 2015."

Close enough. Brown got 778,478 votes in the city — 77 percent of 1,005,608 votes cast — in her general election race against Republican Diane Shapiro in 2016, while Emanuel got 319,543 votes — 56 percent of the 573,524 votes cast — in his special election runoff victory over Garcia in April 2015.

But when you adjust for turnout and for Shapiro's weakness as a challenger, Brown's performance seems less significant.

Still, she's a hardworking retail campaigner who is very popular with black voters — she won more than 70 percent of the vote in five South and West Side wards in the contested 2016 primary, a race in which the Democratic Party had thrown its support to African-American Ald. Michelle Harris, 8th, an Emanuel ally.

Is Brown likely to be Chicago's next mayor?

Again, no.

She won just 20.1 percent of the vote in 2007, the last time she ran for the city's top job, losing by more than 50 percentage points to incumbent Richard M. Daley. And that was before she became the focus of a long-running federal investigation into alleged corruption in her office and before she'd been whacked by the judiciary for failing to modernize.

Is Brown's entry into the already crowded field a good thing for Emanuel?

A thousand times no.

In a normal election in which the winner is the candidate who gets the most votes, yes, Emanuel, the pre-

sumptive front-runner, would benefit from the entry of a prominent African-American candidate likely to draw support from and split the vote with other African-American candidates — businessman Willie Wilson, Chicago principals association President Troy LaRaviere, tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin and community activist Ja'Mal Green have announced; Chicago Police Board President Lori Lightfoot is reportedly mulling a bid.

But this isn't a normal election.

Chicago has a top-two, runoff system for municipal offices that comes into play when no one candidate gets more than 50 percent of the vote in the first round. Brown's entry into the race makes it at least marginally more likely that the entire pack of "not-Rahm" candidates — it also now includes former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas, former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy and may soon include County Commissioner Bridget Gainer — will win more than half the vote and force him into a one-on-one contest against the runner-up.

Brown is probably not going to be that runner-up, but, say what you will about her, she gets her people to the polls.

And everyone who wouldn't have voted but turns out next February to vote for her is another little problem for Emanuel. The number of those little problems could turn out to be decisive.

So should you take seriously the news that she's running?

Oh, yes.

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The Democrats' lawsuit isn't as nutty as it sounds



CLARENCE PAGE

When you don't know what else to do, sue.

To critics in both major national parties, the Democratic National Committee seemed to be following that dubious legal advice by filing a lawsuit last week that alleges collusion between Russia and Donald Trump's presidential campaign.

Without naming Trump, the suit does include longtime Trump confidant Roger Stone, along with Jared Kushner, Donald Trump Jr., WikiLeaks and Guccifer 2.0, the hacker who claimed credit for the DNC breach that released private DNC emails through WikiLeaks.

Some from both parties ridiculed the suit as a distraction from special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation and the cash-strapped DNC's rebuilding efforts as midterm elections ap-

proach.

In a tweet, David Axelrod, former adviser to President Barack Obama, called the DNC suit a "sideshow" that seems "spectacularly ill-timed" and helpful only to President Trump's "strategy of portraying a sober and essential probe as a partisan vendetta."

On the Republican side, House intelligence committee chairman Devin Nunes of California scoffed that the lawsuit was "nothing more than a scam to keep their base fired up."

He says that like it's a bad thing. No one should be shocked that either party wants to keep its base fired up, and the DNC's current needs are dire. Unlike the party's state organizations and various candidates who are experiencing a windfall of support, the national DNC has fallen way behind its Republican counterpart in fundraising.

Internally DNC leaders also have tried to repair divisions and hard feelings between Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders supporters after the brutal primaries of 2016. The DNC itself is getting

sued by Sanders supporters alleging that the emails released by hackers show DNC employees conspiring to help Clinton win the nomination.

Legally, chairman Tom Perez and other DNC leaders think they have a case and they could be right. Real damage has been done. The cyberinvaders cost the DNC real money, resources and — who knows? — maybe the election.

Nor is the lawsuit unprecedented. Former DNC chairman Laurence O'Brien filed a similar suit in 1972 after the break-in to O'Brien's office in the Watergate hotel complex. Two years later, he won the suit, ironically on the same day President Richard Nixon left office.

In today's more polarized and contentious age, Team Trump adds a new element: a possible countersuit. Stone, a veteran of Nixon's team, said over the weekend that the lawsuit opens the Democrats up "to discovery," a procedure that allows each side in a legal dispute to obtain evidence from the other.

"My lawyers and I want to examine the DNC servers to settle

this bogus claim of Russian hacking once and for all," said Stone in an email to the CNBC network, expressing his view that the DNC is merely peddling "a left-wing conspiracy theory."

In response, Team Trump peddles right-wing conspiracy theories that it was the Clinton campaign that actually colluded with the Russians, although that theory is built on more speculation than hard evidence.

In another weekend tweet, Trump also goaded Democrats with the threat of a countersuit. "So funny, the Democrats have sued the Republicans for Winning. Now (the) R's counter and force them to turn over a treasure trove of material, including Servers and Emails."

But will we see both sides engage in a drawn-out legal battle for each other's private files? It isn't clear what grounds Trump and Co. might use for such a pursuit. More important, Trump has a long record of threatening more court fights than he actually wages.

You might recall his similar promises to sue the publisher of

Michael Wolff's "Fire and Fury" or CBS News for a Stormy Daniels interview or the many women who have accused him of sexual misconduct. None of those has yet materialized. Countless journalists are waiting for the discovery process that any of those actions might open up.

Also important, since Trump's surprising election win shook things up in 2016, Democrats have been scoring significant victories in special elections. That's given Perez a little more running room to try such offbeat stunts as the lawsuit against Team Trump.

But to win the midterms or prepare for the 2020 presidential campaign, Democrats need to offer answers for issues like good jobs, health care and school funding, just for starters. Lawsuits are not enough.

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PERSPECTIVE



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The Duchess of Cambridge holds her newborn son while leaving London's St. Mary's Hospital on Monday. This is the former Kate Middleton and Prince William's third child.

Yes, Duchess Kate looked flawless after giving birth. No, this isn't normal.

BY AMY JOYCE

If you were watching — like much of the rest of the world — Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, went home (coiffed, dressed and, yes, standing up) hours after she gave birth to the royal couple's third child.

Giving birth doesn't exactly feel like an outpatient activity to many. But watching her stand outside the hospital, holding their new bundle, almost makes a mom forget just how hard that actually is to do after having a baby.

For the duchess, of course, things are different. She likely has whatever she needs as far as comfort and medical intervention ready for her at home. Her early departure also may have happened in part so there would be less frenzy at the hospital where other women are giving birth. I'm sure those families would like to thank her for that. And really, if you were Catherine, wouldn't you want to head to the comfort of your well-prepped home instead of a hospital? (Have you seen "The Crown"? Sign me up for one of those fluffy beds, please.)

However, watching her, for the third time, walk out of giving birth with that hair! That makeup! That fresh face!

Well, it's enough to give a woman pause. (Remember when the hospital staff made you sit in a wheelchair to leave? And all you wanted was a shower?)

It's important that we know what we're looking at here. Clothing likely picked out weeks or months in advance. A hairdresser, makeup artist and stylist at the ready. Heels. And also: a life that puts a ton of pressure on a woman being prim, proper and perfect. Yes, we can be thrilled that she didn't try to make the baby bump disappear just because she gave birth hours prior. And I love that she can go home and rest (or so it seems).

But just read this and think: Would you want to be this poor woman? Who wants to get dressed after giving birth? Have a makeup artist or hairstylist touching you when all you want to do is sit in an ice bath? Wave to hordes of strangers just hours after pushing out a baby? (The writer Anna Whiston-Donaldson posted on Facebook: "I have my sound down but from reading lips I think she told Will to hurry up and get her home so she could change her adult diaper and get out of those heels.")

It's not the norm, and we all know that. RIGHT? OK, good.

Aside from the duchess' unique situa-

tion, the United Kingdom has one of the shortest postpartum hospital stays in the developed world, just a day and a half, according to a study in PLOS medical journal. New mothers in the United States average two full days in the hospital before going home.

Of course, many women in the United States and other countries choose to have their babies at home or in a birthing center, where stay times are usually shorter than in traditional hospitals. This latest birth-and-run can bring up a lot of discussion about the right way to give birth, the wrong way to give birth, why one way is better than another and how it's shameful that a new mom would (fill in the blank).

We all try to do what's best for us, for our babies. We're moms, after all.

But for some, the duchess brings up uncomfortable comparisons. Samantha Shanley will never forget how she, as an American mother in a German hospital, decided to take the tram home the day after her son was born in 2008. Her then-husband carried the baby, and they walked five blocks in the winter cold to the tram. "I'm like, my insides are turning out, and I still have to get out of the station and walk home five blocks," she said. "I kept stopping at park benches to rest."

Shanley says her mother had always perpetuated that "women-can-do-anything, 1970s-women's-lib version of birth. But what that meant was pushing yourself beyond what was normal and natural." Shanley ended up with a fever, mastitis and guilt. "I was living up to an ideal. Kate Middleton isn't going home to take care of everything."

For many, the duchess' smiling appearance outside St. Mary's Hospital is just one example of how our culture idealizes childbirth. "We don't talk about postpartum or how much healing has to occur," Shanley says, which "perpetuates this feeling of failure. All these people are posting pics of tender moments with babies. ... It's almost like we ignore how it changes women's bodies."

For me, the sight of the royal family heading home looking rested, put together and thrilled is nothing more than a reminder that the duchess lives in a different reality than most of us.

We're all trying, birth can be incredibly difficult and it's not a perfect fairy tale, no matter how it looks.

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Many of us expect the Trump-Kim summit to flop. What if it's a success?

BY SAM NUNN AND RICHARD LUGAR

We're all preparing for the Trump-Kim summit to go wrong. But what if it goes right?

As the United States prepares for historic discussions between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, the Trump administration and its international partners have a lot of work ahead of them. A successful summit, if it can be achieved, will be only the start of a long and complicated process. Eliminating the nuclear threat and achieving stability and security on the Korean Peninsula will require unconventional thinking and steps that are much broader than denuclearization. Just as we should prepare for the summit to go wrong, we should also prepare for it to "go right."

The stakes are high. The Korean Peninsula is the most militarized region in the world. North Korea has nuclear weapons and long-range missiles that can reach the United States, as well as South Korea and Japan — two allies the United States has pledged to defend. The entire world has an interest in ensuring the security of North Korea's nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and

weapons-usable materials. The North also has thousands of artillery tubes located within 30 miles or so of Seoul, a formidable conventional threat to the South Korean capital and its population, including thousands of Americans living there.

Even if the two leaders reach an agreement, achieving security and stability and reducing catastrophic risks on the peninsula will require intensive, expert-level negotiations and comprehensive, step-by-step implementation over many months, or perhaps years. This cannot be viewed as a bilateral U.S.-North Korean discussion — it must also include China, South Korea, Japan and Russia, and it must address regional security and the political concerns of all the parties, including economic and humanitarian matters.

A successful negotiation requires that all those involved benefit from the outcome. It means all sides must give as well as get. Economic, military and diplomatic pressure helped bring the North Koreans to the table, but reaching a successful agreement will require carrots as well as sticks. The United States has announced it will insist that nuclear dismantlement precede

economic benefits. North Korea will likely insist that substantial economic benefits be upfront. Can we develop tools that incentivize dismantlement and verification, as well economic benefits, to occur concurrently? History shows the answer is yes.

As the United States and its international partners develop a negotiating strategy and tools for North Korea, there are vital lessons to be learned by looking back to the early 1990s following the breakup of the Soviet Union.

In 1991, as the Soviet Union was disintegrating, we wrote legislation to provide technical and financial assistance for the inventory, destruction, and disposal of nuclear and chemical weapons and their delivery vehicles in Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Ukraine. This became law as the Nunn-Lugar Soviet Nuclear Threat Reduction Act of 1991 — also known as the Cooperative Threat Reduction program.

The initiative also helped fund productive, peaceful scientific work for scientists who had worked in the weapons complex, and also helped prevent the proliferation of their know-how to other states and nonstate actors — including the extraordi-

nary lab-to-lab program in which Russian and American scientists worked cooperatively to secure materials usable in nuclear weapons. The United States and Russia learned to cooperate on threat reduction by working together in implementing the program from 1991 to 2012. With this valuable joint experience, if we are going to rebuild cooperation between Washington and Moscow, North Korea is a good place to start.

We believe this concept should be a critical component of any effort to verifiably and irreversibly dismantle North Korea's nuclear weapons and related programs, as well as prevent future proliferation of weapons, material or know-how. Such cooperation can also be used to engage thousands of North Korean scientists and engineers, who are now employed in making weapons of mass destruction, in peaceful scientific and technical work. This would also diminish the risk of proliferation of their deadly knowledge to other states or terrorists.

In the context of a more stable Korean Peninsula, we can look to CTR as a model. A broad-based plan for cooperative activities in North Korea would provide incentives for the Kim regime to

comply with the difficult commitments and strict verification and monitoring that will necessarily be part of a serious denuclearization agreement.

Though there are significant differences between North Korea in 2018 and the former Soviet Union in 1991, the cooperative threat-reduction concept could be a powerful tool to support the verifiable reduction and elimination of North Korea's nuclear arsenal, its other weapons of mass destruction and their delivery systems. Such a program could be developed, funded and implemented jointly with our allies and other members of the international community.

There is certainly no guarantee that there will be a diplomatic breakthrough, but we must be prepared to seize the opportunity. We hope Congress and the Trump administration will use the lessons learned from Cooperative Threat Reduction to develop a more peaceful and secure future for the Korean Peninsula.

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PERSPECTIVE

How liberal professors drive conservative students to support Trump

By BRADLEY SCHOBER

Over the past four years at Loyola University Maryland I have found lifelong friendships, amazing professors — who were instrumental in my being able to go to law school next year — and, by the grace of God, I even found a date. I also discovered why Donald Trump is the president of the United States.

While some professors have clear political views, many are able to hide their personal opinions and — even if they disagree — allow students to speak their minds, then support and defend various viewpoints to promote critical thinking. A small minority, however, are the stereotypical “so far left they make Karl Marx look like Ted Cruz,” my-way-or-the-highway kind of professor.

The purpose of college is to create a free market of ideas where we teach students the established theories of a major field of study and encourage them to think for

themselves. However, schools have been getting so “open-minded” that their actions mirror that of someone who is extremely closed-minded. Conservative, and even moderate, positions can be attacked regardless of the class subject.

I do not want this to be seen as a conservative student lambasting his professors, nor do I want this to be taken as a denouncement of the American education system. However, as a graduating senior, president of Loyola University Maryland's College Republicans chapter and vice chair of the Maryland Federation of College Republicans, I feel it would be inappropriate if I did not make my voice heard.

I have witnessed professors go out of their way to attack Donald Trump or even conservatives as a whole. I am sure these professors will justify their actions as “educating students on the issues.” However, these attacks, which are often very illogical or hypocritical, take students, even those

who dislike Trump, and push them to the political right. I have witnessed the College Republicans go from a club of diverse thought to one where even the most ardent of Trump haters among the members are now supporters because of their reaction toward certain professors who constantly go after the president.

Sadly, the strong bias against conservative beliefs on campus is not just in the classroom. Loyola seems to support illegal immigrants more than its own students. The school has repeatedly taken political stands and encouraged students to get involved with the political stances the administration holds, but it will not permit students to bring opposition views to campus. The school has invited speakers who have been given leadership awards by a former general secretary of the Soviet Union, and it invited as its 2018 commencement speaker a man who said he would have killed Donald Trump had he been in

the room when he was born. Loyola provides one side of the political spectrum to its students, while the school finds itself in a financial crunch with alumni not giving back. Maybe if administrators and professors did not anger us as students, we would be more willing to give back. There is a financial benefit to not harassing us.

The school's actions contradict its purpose. The result of this is a proliferation of radical conservatives on campus. Liberal professors and administrators, you are part of why Trump is president of the United States. If you want that to change, it's on you to change.

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A gig economy that rewards workers also leaves them vulnerable

By KATHY KRISTOF

Former Treasury Secretary Hank Paulson recently predicted that by 2020, half of Americans will be self-employed. While this estimate includes freelancers, small-business owners and independent contractors, one big reason for the explosive growth in nonemployer work is the gig economy.

Driving for Uber or Lyft, delivering groceries for Instacart and finding handyman jobs through TaskRabbit may be among the best-known gigs, but there are now hundreds, possibly thousands, of such platforms used by millions of American workers on a part- or full-time basis.

This on-demand economy offers real upsides for people who want or need flexible work, but its growth is outrunning every system our country has in place to protect workers. The protections that helped past generations — from unions to minimum wage — may not provide the right answers either.

As a consumer reporter, I became interested in the gig economy while writing about it for various news outlets. I was a freelancer myself and loved the concept, mainly for its promise of flexibility. But as I looked into these job arrangements — and I've now examined more than 175 platforms in depth — I was troubled by how little I could find out about each. How much work could you get? How much could you earn per hour or per week? Could you really make a living cobbling together gigs?

In theory, every gig worker is his or her own boss. You see the bold-print claims in ads or on the platform websites: Work when you want; how you want; where you want. Get paid to take gigs in your spare time. Many suggest wages ranging between \$25 and \$50 per hour. Dig in, however, and you learn these claims are optimistic, if not complete fabrications.

Meanwhile, many of these supposedly flexible companies make plenty of rigid demands. They dictate that workers wear particular clothes, report their location on apps, commit to set blocks of time and be prompt or pay a penalty.

Indeed, some platforms make so many demands that workers have asserted they



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Lyft driver Gabriel Gill-Austern gets a fist bump from a customer in Boston. The gig economy doesn't offer traditional protections.

are not independent contractors at all. That has resulted in lawsuits against Uber, GrubHub, Postmates and others. So far, settlements have mostly preserved the worker-as-an-independent-contractor concept that obviates any wage guarantees.

Granted, self-employment outside of gig platforms doesn't offer guaranteed pay either. If I don't write, I don't get paid. But no one tells me where to work, when to work or how to work. Nor do they threaten to penalize me if I turn down an assignment that pays too little or requires too much time. Those things happen to gig workers all the time.

Worse, when workers are booted from some platforms — the ultimate penalty — they can lose their accumulated wages. The terms and conditions that disclose these unpleasant possibilities often are so well-hidden that the average person

would have no way of finding them.

Imposing minimum wage laws on gig platforms doesn't seem like an ideal remedy. That would likely lead to restricting worker hours, reducing the very flexibility that appeals to most gig workers. But some protections are needed. At minimum, gig workers should be able to report and halt the type of wage theft that some platforms appear to engage in regularly.

Moreover, platforms should be required to be forthright about how they pay workers and the risks those workers bear when signed onto the platform. Little do delivery drivers know, for instance, that their auto insurance policy may be invalid when using a car for commercial purposes. If they're in an accident, they could lose an asset worth thousands of dollars in pursuit of a \$5 tip.

Appropriate protections could require only slight changes to current federal laws.

After all, we require truth in advertising everywhere else — why not here? Federal law also bars wage theft. Shouldn't those rules apply to independent contractors?

But such an important and fast-growing segment of the economy ultimately may need its own carefully constructed rule book. According to the annual “Freelancing in America” report commissioned by the Freelancers Union and Upwork, the independent workforce is growing at three times the rate of the U.S. workforce as a whole. Some 57 million workers did some kind of freelance work in 2017. The trick will be to create rules that foster fair play without trampling the entrepreneurial spirit that's fueling this dynamic industry.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Shirking duty

On April 24, the Chicago Tribune reported that Metra's CEO is asking riders to help police the collection of tickets. He added that overcrowded trains are particularly challenging as conductors can't always get through to all the cars. As a 20-year rider of Metra, I find this request maddening. Where is the accountability?

The CEO provides an example of overcrowded trains for which Metra was not prepared: St. Patrick's Day. Metra was surprised by the volume of ridership. Really? St. Patrick's Day 2018, which fell on a Saturday?

I've been on many trains in the past where my ticket was not punched, albeit not recently. I would say that in all or most of those circumstances, the train was overcrowded because the train was significantly delayed, which is generally Metra's fault. However, I will note that recently the conductors on my train line have started to announce that the fault is not Metra's, rather BNSF, which operates the tracks.

Hmmm ... I suppose that they are learning accountability from the top.

— Katherine Novey, La Grange

What transit desert?

I agree with your April 23 editorial that preparing for Chicago's future transit needs will be a challenge, and paying for them will take much new thinking. But repeating clichés like transit desert and throwing money away by building new lines where transit already exists is not going to solve any problems.

The South Side is blessed with many transit lines, but too many people, including, apparently, your editorial board, look only at the CTA. What about the Metra lines? The Electric and Rock Island districts and others run right through what you call an area with a “dearth of transportation,” taking people to jobs downtown and beyond.

If you want ideas for transit, how about these: Reconfigure some Metra lines for rapid transit. Set a standard fare for travel

within the city for both CTA and Metra. Where room is available, add tracks alongside existing Metra lines for rapid transit. Do thorough research to find out why South Siders aren't using Metra and try to alleviate those concerns.

There is no transit desert in Chicago. The basic rail infrastructure is already here. We need to be smarter about using it.

— Tom Judge, Chicago

The critical factor

In response to his column “Expect the North Korea talks to be fruitless,” I think Steve Chapman and others just may have the President Donald Trump/Kim Jong Un dynamic wrong. Trump is an important factor, but the critical and dispositive factor is, and always has been, China. Start with this. China is struggling with a truly monumental debt problem, and a trade war that reduces growth will certainly not help.

Consider the timeline: On March 22, Trump announces substantial tariffs on Chinese goods. On March 26, a train arrives in Beijing from North Korea with Kim Jong Un on board. Following discussions with the Chinese leader, Xi Jin-

ping, Kim Jong Un returns to North Korea, and shortly thereafter announces that he will suspend nuclear and missile tests and that North Korea doesn't need to test nuclear weapons.

Is this some sort of ploy on the part of the Chinese and North Koreans? To what end? On the face of it, there just may be a real chance here. Let's hope that if this is the case, Trump doesn't toss it away by causing the North Koreans to lose face by blaviating about how he humbled the North Koreans, whatever.

— Neil Gaffney, Chicago

Narrowly defined

Praises to Dahleen Glanton for encouraging African-Americans to emulate Ida B. Wells and do more to promote the habits on which prosperity and liberty depend. In her April 24 column, however, Glanton commits a semantic mistake worthy of comment.

She refers to the black-on-black violence that plagues certain Chicago neighborhoods as black-on-black genocide. But is it really genocide?

Like genocide, blacks killing blacks is ugly. But it is not the deliberate and systematic destruction of an entire racial,

political or cultural group, as the word “genocide” would require.

Examples of genocide would include what the Ottoman regime did to the Armenians during World War I, what the Nazis did to the Jews in World War II, or what the Hutu leadership did primarily to the Tutsis in Rwanda in 1994. It would not include the deaths of Native Americans due to infectious diseases carried by Europeans in the 16th century, even though the numbers of Native Americans killed exceeded the number of Jews murdered by the Nazis.

Why? Because the spread of the germs that killed so many Native Americans was unwitting and unforeseen. Horrible as those contagions were, they did not result from a deliberate and systematic attempt to eliminate an entire group of people.

Why be concerned about semantics? Language changes, right? Why shouldn't genocide be allowed to evolve in accordance with common usage? Because the overuse of genocide not only dilutes the horror of true genocide, but more seriously, may compromise the ability to recognize and discuss the real thing when it does in fact present its monstrous visage.

— Michael W. Drwiega, Wilmette

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Mighty Angus burger from Canada, cheese and bacon loaded fries from Australia and McSpicy chicken sandwich from Hong Kong from the Global Favorites Menu at the new McDonald's restaurant.



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The McDonald's restaurant on the ground floor of the new corporate headquarters in Fulton Market district Tuesday.

New McDonald's has global menu

Restaurant part of company's new headquarters

BY GREG TROTTER
Chicago Tribune

Globe-trotting fans of the Golden Arches may find some of their favorites in the new McDonald's opening Wednesday in Chicago's booming Fulton Market district.

McSpicy Chicken Sandwich from Hong Kong, anyone? The new location will feature a rotating menu of food served in McDonald's restaurants around the world. The 6,000-square-foot restaurant is on the ground floor of the global fast food chain's new nine-story corporate headquarters, still under construction. Spokesman Robert Gibbs said the company would begin moving its 2,000 or so workers from its long-time Oak Brook campus over the next few weeks.



A look at the menu at the McDonald's restaurant on the ground floor of the new corporate headquarters.

The Fulton Market McDonald's is one of the company's modernized "experience of the future" locations with ordering kiosks, table service and curbside pickup. What it lacks: a drive-through or much parking to speak of in the rapidly changing business district.

But McDonald's enthusiasts and curious passers-by likely will visit the location anyway, drawn by the

global offerings not sold in any other U.S. locations. The first menu rotation will include the Mighty Angus Burger from Canada, the McSpicy Chicken Sandwich from Hong Kong, Cheese & Bacon Loaded Fries from Australia, two varieties of salads served in France and the McFlurry Prestigio dessert served in Brazil.

The new restaurant will also feature a "Latin

American-style dessert center" and McCafe coffee drinks typically served in Australia.

"This is a unique challenge for us because of that global menu aspect that we're not tremendously familiar with — and really no owner/operator is. Typically, if you live in these countries, that's your menu," Nick Karavites, franchise owner/operator of the new location, said at a media event Tuesday.

That's also what adds to the buzz. "It wasn't an issue getting employees at all," Karavites said.

The global menu will rotate every couple of months or so. Most standard U.S. McDonald's fare will also be served.

Along with the former Rock 'n' Roll McDonald's in River North — currently undergoing a major remodeling and also owned by Karavites — the Fulton Market location gives the chain another unique loca-

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McCormick Media may buy more Tronc shares

Nascent company 'in discussions' with stockholders

BY ROBERT CHANNICK
Chicago Tribune

McCormick Media, an investor group that struck a deal earlier this month to acquire former Tronc Chairman Michael Ferro's entire stake in the company, may be looking to buy more of the Chicago-based newspaper chain.

In a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Monday, McCormick Media investors said they agreed to buy Ferro's 25.7 percent stake in Tronc because it "represented an attractive investment opportunity" and they may increase or decrease their position in the company.

McCormick Media investors "are engaging in discussions with one or more significant stockholders" of Tronc to see if "such stockholders may desire to potentially engage in any such actions on a cooperative basis," the filing stated.

On April 13, McCormick Media agreed to buy Ferro's more than 9 million shares for \$23 per share, or \$208.6 million. That would give McCormick Media the largest stake in Tronc, which owns the Chicago Tribune, New York Daily News, Baltimore Sun and other major daily newspapers.

McCormick Media intends to finance the purchase of Ferro's shares through funding from an unnamed related entity, according to Monday's SEC filing.

The nascent company is headed by Sargent Collier, a distant relative of the family that built the Tribune media empire nearly a century ago.

Collier is the great-great-grandson of Leander McCormick who, with his brother, Cyrus, was a co-founder of International Harvester. A third brother, William, was the grandfather of Robert McCormick, the famous publisher of the Chicago Tribune.

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Caterpillar shares sink on maximum earnings guidance

BY JOE DEAUX
Bloomberg

Caterpillar began the day euphorically, with shares rallying as the machinery giant beat earnings estimates and raised its own forecast. That all changed when management signaled the first quarter might be as good as it gets.

In its earnings statement, the biggest maker of construction and mining equipment lifted its 2018 profit projection by as much as 24 percent and flagged continued strength for construction in North America and infrastructure in China. But on the call that followed, Chief Financial Officer Brad Halverson said first-quarter adjusted profit per share "will be the high watermark for the year."

Caterpillar shares, which had gained as much as 4.6 percent, dropped 6

percent and finished at \$144.44.

While the prospect of costs rising faster than prices will restrain earnings growth, Chief Executive Officer Jim Umpleby said he isn't concerned about a peak in the growth cycle.

First-quarter results beat analysts' estimates on sales and earnings as demand for the signature yellow machines accelerates. The company raised its forecast in a sign that industries from mining to energy are gaining momentum amid a stronger global economy -- assuming no trade wars.

The company's results underscore its importance as a bellwether of global growth.

Last week, the IMF predicted the world economy's strongest upswing since 2011 will continue for the next two years.

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United CEO Munoz skips bonus this year

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz will not receive a bonus for 2017 after the airline decided to link incentive payments to customer service improvements in the wake of the passenger-dragging incident last April.

The Chicago-based airline eliminated Munoz's cash bonus at his suggestion, according to the company's annual proxy, filed Monday. United's compensation committee reduced four other top executive officers' bonuses for 2017 by 20 to 30 percent.

United announced plans to link executive compensation to customer satisfaction last April, shortly after a passenger was dragged off a United Express flight leaving O'Hare International Airport after refusing to give up his seat to make room for employees. Videos shot by fellow

passengers went viral, sparking widespread outrage.

"I suggested this to our compensation committee because I felt it was important to send a message about the culture of accountability and integrity that we are building here as a united team," Munoz said in a letter to employees Monday. "We had some incredible successes in 2017 but also some setbacks."

United declined to say how much Munoz would have earned. Last year, Munoz received a cash bonus of about \$3.4 million, but United said that sum also included a compensation related to his departure from his previous employer, rail freight company CSX, and wasn't directly comparable to what he could have earned this year.

Munoz received more than \$9.5 million in total compensation in 2017, according to the filing, of



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United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz will not get a bonus for 2017 in the wake of the passenger-dragging incident.

which \$1.25 million was salary. He received \$7.8 million in stock awards.

United also said Chairman Robert Milton and board member Laurence Simmons will retire from the board at the end of their current terms. The airline's board will shrink from 16 to 14, and it plans to elect a new independent chairman after United's an-

nual meeting May 23.

Munoz's employment agreement had specified that he would become chairman in 2018, but after the incident last April, the airline's board said it believed the CEO and chairman roles should be separate.

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McCormick Media may increase Tronc stake

Tronc, from Page 1

"We want to make it the world's greatest newspaper again," Collier, 35, said in a brief interview with the Tribune last week, referencing the Tribune's long-time slogan.

Collier has been using McCormick as his last name professionally, but not exclusively, for several years. He signed the initial purchase agreement as McCormick, but said Tuesday that his given name is Sargent Morris McCormick Collier. He signed Monday's filing as McCormick-Collier.

He is changing his last name to McCormick effective June 11, according to Monday's SEC filing.

Other named investors in McCormick Media include



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McCormick Media's planned purchase of Michael Ferro's Tronc shares is expected to close on or before May 15.

John Lynch, former chief executive of the San Diego Union-Tribune, and Clancy Woods, a longtime radio executive who once ran the Sporting News Radio Network.

Lynch, 71, started his media career as an advertising salesman for the Chicago Tribune and was a longtime radio executive in Chicago and elsewhere. He had a short-lived NFL career and is the father of John Lynch Jr., a notoriously hard-hitting safety with the Tampa

Bay Buccaneers who was named general manager of the San Francisco 49ers last year.

In 2012, Lynch and his business partner at the Union-Tribune, San Diego real estate developer Doug Manchester, were reportedly interested in buying Tribune Co. (now Tribune Media). Instead, Tribune Publishing split from its broadcast parent and bought the Union-Tribune in 2015 for \$85 million.

Woods, 61, held executive

positions at some of the nation's largest radio chains, including CBS Radio, and ran the former Sporting News Radio Network, a Northbrook-based venture owned by Microsoft Corp. co-founder Paul Allen, which launched in 2001.

The Tribune was unable to reach Lynch or Woods for comment Tuesday.

McCormick Media's planned purchase of Ferro's Tronc shares is expected to close on or before May 15, allowing for a 30-day window for federal investigators to sign off on any antitrust concerns, a requirement based on the size of the transaction. If it does not close, McCormick Media has to pay Ferro a \$1 million termination fee.

"If the ultimate parent of McCormick Media does not own any competitors of Tronc ... the deal likely will receive fairly rapid regulatory approval, perhaps even before the 30-day waiting period expires," said Dan Birk, an attorney at Chicago-based Eimer Stahl whose practice focuses on

antitrust litigation. Birk is not involved in the transaction.

In February, Tronc's second-largest shareholder, biotech billionaire Patrick Soon-Shiong, agreed to buy the Union-Tribune and Los Angeles Times for \$500 million in cash in a deal that received approval from federal regulators March 5, but has not been completed.

"We anticipate closing the deal," Tronc spokeswoman Marisa Kollias said in an email Tuesday.

Efforts to reach Soon-Shiong through a spokesman were unsuccessful Tuesday.

A technology entrepreneur who previously owned the Chicago Sun-Times, Ferro became the largest shareholder and nonexecutive chairman of Tribune Publishing in February 2016.

Ferro stepped down from the board of Tronc in late March, just hours before Fortune published a story online accusing him of inappropriate sexual behavior toward two women while in

his previous role as head of a Chicago investment firm.

Collier, who grew up outside of Boston and now splits his time between Chicago and Palm Beach, is the author of a self-published book on the invention of the mechanical reaper by Virginia blacksmith Cyrus McCormick, which revolutionized farming and launched International Harvester.

He currently serves in business development for the family's Harvester Trust, and previously spent four years as an associate at W. P. Carey, a New York-based real estate investment trust, according to his LinkedIn page.

While he wouldn't disclose plans for Tronc, Collier was enthusiastic about his family's imminent return to the newspaper business in his interview last week.

"We're very excited," he said. "It's great for Chicago, great for the paper and great for our family."

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Pastries fill a case at the McDonald's restaurant on the ground floor of the new corporate headquarters in Fulton Market district, Tuesday.

Worldly favorites featured

Restaurant, from Page 1

tion in downtown Chicago. The River North location is expected to open later this summer. Both will have sleeker, more modern designs that break from the company's past, part of McDonald's strategy to grow sales and guide the business into the future.

"Everything that we have done to modernize the brand over the past several years is exhibited in this restaurant," Gibbs said Tuesday.

It's unlikely McDonald's will extend the global offerings to any other U.S. locations, Gibbs said.

Bonnie Riggs, a restaurant analyst with research firm NP Group, said she sees no downside in McDonald's bringing global food to this particular location.

"The uniqueness of what they're doing I would say is very appealing to consumers," Riggs said.

What once was an industrial meatpacking district



Mozza salad from France on the Global Favorites Menu at the new restaurant.

west of the Loop has become a hive of new development in recent years, with a slew of trendy restaurants moving in along with companies like Google and McDonald's. Outside the new McDonald's on Tuesday, construction workers toiled amid clouds of dust.

Some of McDonald's new neighbors said they welcomed the addition.

At Capriotti's Sandwich Shop, several construction workers hunched over subs. Manager Aquiel Farrington said she wasn't worried about the new McDonald's restaurant siphoning away

business.

"I don't think it's going to hurt us at all," Farrington said. "We're different enough."

Christina Berardi, manager of Anthropologie, the women's clothing store across the street from McDonald's, said she expects to see an uptick in sales once McDonald's employees begin settling into their new office.

"I know our employees are happy," Berardi said. "It's like a fancy McDonald's."

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Trump pushing hard to finish NAFTA

Talks gain speed as political pressures rise in U.S., Mexico

BY DON LEE
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — With critical political deadlines fast approaching, the Trump administration is racing to strike a deal on a revamped North American Free Trade Agreement by early May — with an eye toward forcing a congressional vote on a new pact by the end of the year.

After months of making little progress, recent statements from high-level trade officials meeting in Washington indicate that negotiations have been gaining momentum and that there's a fair chance of reaching an agreement in principle in weeks or even days.

"We're doing very nicely with NAFTA," Trump said Tuesday.

But as the president's chief trade negotiator, Robert Lighthizer, continues talks with his Canadian and Mexican counterparts, analysts wonder whether



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U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer has softened some NAFTA demands.

enough time exists to close gaps on sensitive matters including autos and farm goods and rules for handling investment disputes.

Canada and Mexico, rather than make politically unpopular concessions, may decide it better to prolong the talks, even at

the risk of a U.S. withdrawal from NAFTA, as Trump has repeatedly threatened.

Moreover, Trump's practice of lumping different

issues together for bargaining leverage has increased uncertainties about the fate of talks. Last month, Trump gave an exemption to Canada and Mexico on steel and aluminum tariffs, but only until May 1, saying what happens afterward would depend on how rewriting NAFTA comes along.

On Monday, Trump suggested that a NAFTA overhaul should include another one of his goals, tighter control of people entering from the southern border.

"Mexico, whose laws on immigration are very tough, must stop people from going through Mexico and into the U.S.," the president said on Twitter. "We may make this a condition of the new NAFTA Agreement."

The Trump administration has good political reason to wrap up NAFTA talks in the coming weeks. It wants to lock in a deal ahead of Mexico's presidential election on July 1 in which a leftist candidate who opposes NAFTA is favored.

For Congress to complete work on a deal this year, Lighthizer would need to reach an agreement in prin-

ciple very soon. That's because the parties need time to write a text, give a mandated 90-day notice to Congress and have an economic impact report completed before Congress can vote it up or down.

Trump is betting that his best shot for approval would come during the lame-duck session after the election, when many lawmakers may be willing to take more difficult votes.

As part of the administration's legislative strategy, Trump could give the required six months' notice of withdrawal from NAFTA about the time a text is ready, essentially forcing Congress to accept the new accord or risk the end of the 24-year-old pact, according to trade experts.

Such a move could inflame opposition. Nor is it clear whether Trump has the legal authority to pull out of NAFTA without congressional support. Many on Capitol Hill and Wall Street fear the potential political and economic fallout of termination.

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Shippers look to sink paperwork

Firms on verge of using blockchain to expedite documents

BY KYUNGHEE PARK
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Globalization has brought the most advanced trading networks the world has seen, with the biggest, fastest vessels, robot-operated ports and vast computer databases tracking cargo. But it all still relies on millions and millions of paper documents.

That last throwback to 19th-century trade is about to fall. A.P. Moeller-Maersk A/S and other container shipping lines have teamed up with technology companies to upgrade the world's most complex logistics network.

The prize is a revolution in world trade on a scale not seen since the move to standard containers in the 1960s — a change that helped usher in the age of globalization. But the undertaking is as big as the potential upheaval it will cause. To make it work, dozens of shipping lines and thousands of related businesses around the world — including manufacturers, banks, insurers, brokers and port authorities — will have to work out a protocol that can integrate all the new systems onto one vast platform.

Should they succeed, documentation that takes days will eventually be done in minutes, much of it without the need for human input. The cost of moving goods across continents could drop dramatically, adding fresh impetus to relocate manufacturing or source materials and goods from overseas.

"This would be the biggest innovation in the industry since the containerization," said Rahul Kapoor, an analyst at Bloomberg Intelligence in Singapore. "It basically brings more transparency and efficiency. The container shipping lines are coming out of their shells and playing catch-up in technology."

The key, as in so many other industries, from oil tankers to cryptocurrencies, is blockchain, the electronic ledger system that allows



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Shippers are looking to blockchain technology to expedite documents by moving them from paper to computers.

transactions to be verified autonomously. And the benefits wouldn't be confined to shipping. Improving communications and border administration using blockchain could generate an additional \$1 trillion in global trade, according to the World Economic Forum.

APL Ltd., owned by the world's third-largest container line CMA CGM SA, together with Anheuser-Busch InBev NV, Accenture Plc, a European customs organization and other companies said last month that they've tested a blockchain-based platform. South Korea's Hyundai Merchant Marine Co. held trial runs last year using a system developed with Samsung SDS Co.

The shipping paper trail begins when a cargo owner books space on a ship to move goods. Documents need to be filled in and approved before cargo can

enter or leave a port. A single shipment can require hundreds of pages that need to be physically delivered to dozens of different agencies, banks, customs bureaus and other entities.

In 2014, Maersk followed a refrigerated container filled with roses and avocados from Kenya to the Netherlands. The company found that almost 30 people and organizations were involved in processing the box on its journey to Europe. The shipment took about 34 days to get from the farm to the retailers, including 10 days waiting for documents to be processed. One of the critical documents went missing, only to be found later amid a pile of paper.

"The paperwork and processes vital to global trade are also one of its biggest burdens," according to Maersk, the world's largest container shipping company, which has teamed up

with IBM to enable real-time tracking of its cargo and documents using blockchain. "The paper trail research that Maersk did uncovered the extent of the burden that documents and processes inflict on trade and the consequences."

That plethora of paper processors has been one of the reasons shipping has lagged behind other industries in moving to electronic forms. The variety of different languages, laws and organizations involved in moving cargo in the past made standardization a slow process.

Instead the industry has relied on advances in transport technology and cargo handling to improve efficiency, with the great Clipper sailing vessels replaced by steamships and then modern oil-powered leviathans — the largest ships on the oceans. In the 1850s, it took more than three months to move chests of

tea from southern China to London. Today, that journey would take about 30 days.

The biggest change came in the 1960s, when the industry adopted the standard-size steel boxes in use today, replacing the wooden crates, chests and sacks that stevedores had hauled on the docks for centuries.

With these containers sometimes holding products from different suppliers, and cargo sometimes ending up with thousands of customers in dozens of countries, the transition to a uniform electronic system presents major challenges.

"Not all stakeholders are looking at deploying the same blockchain solution and platforms," APL said in response to questions. "This can pose as a challenge if stakeholders are expected to trade via a common platform or solution."

And the shipping lines will also need to persuade

the ports and other organizations involved in cargo trading to adopt their systems. Maersk said Singapore-based port operator PSA International Pte. and APM Terminals, based in The Hague, Netherlands, will use its platform. APL and Accenture said they plan to pilot test their product by the end of this year.

Accenture said it has tested its technology with other pilot shipments that range from beer to medical supplies.

The cost savings could be visible in the companies' financial statements in about two years, Kapoor of Bloomberg Intelligence said.

"Shipping needs to stop thinking about itself as this standalone middle sector," said K D Adamson, CEO of Futuronautics Group. "It needs to start thinking about how the different elements of shipping fit into other ecosystems."



GENERAL MOTORS/TNS

Amazon's car delivery service can leave packages inside GM vehicles with OnStar and Volvo vehicles with On Call.

Amazon begins delivery to GM, Volvo vehicles

BY MAE ANDERSON
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Amazon's latest perk? Free delivery to your car.

The Seattle company Tuesday began offering delivery in 37 cities to Amazon Prime members who own newer General Motors or Volvo vehicles.

The company will expand the number of locations as well as eligible vehicle makes and models going forward.

Amazon has steadily ex-

panded its reach into places long considered no-go zones for most people outside of the immediate family, starting with smart speakers in the home that await voice commands to come to life.

Last year, Amazon launched Amazon Key, which lets those who with a Wi-Fi-connected lock to unlock their front doors so that packages could be left inside. Earlier this year, the company acquired Ring, which makes Wi-Fi-connected cameras and door-

bells.

The in-car delivery service is available to members of Amazon Prime whose cars are parked in publicly accessible areas, such as on the street in front of an apartment building, at a workplace parking lot, or in a driveway. Amazon won't deliver to a private parking garage or other places where access to a vehicle is not readily available. Packages are placed in the vehicle's trunk or out of sight.

Deliveries are available right now to Prime mem-

bers with 2015 year or newer Chevrolet, Buick, GMC or Cadillac vehicles with GM's OnStar connected-car service, and those with a 2015 or newer Volvo vehicle with an active Volvo On Call account.

Customers must download the Amazon Key app to which they can link a connected car.

On the day a package is scheduled for delivery, customers can use the app to confirm that their car is parked in a place where delivery can be made.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 24,579.94 Low: 23,828.73 Previous: 24,448.69



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
-121.25 (-1.70%)	-35.73 (-1.34%)	-8.84 (-.57%)
Close: 7,007.35	Close: 2,634.56	Close: 1,553.28
High: 7,171.67	High: 2,683.55	High: 1,574.48
Low: 6,961.52	Low: 2,617.32	Low: 1,542.30
Previous: 7,128.60	Previous: 2,670.29	Previous: 1,562.12

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+0.02 to 3.00%	+8.90 to \$1,331.40	+0.02 to 108.67/\$1	-0.0022 to .8172/\$1	-0.94 to \$67.70

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-3.08	-3.76	-2.65	+0.70	-0.02	+0.84	+14.42	+16.30	+10.30

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	461.25	473	455.50	472.50	+11
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	378.50	381.50	377	381.25	+2.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	1020.75	1026.25	1016.25	1022.25	+1.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 18	31.07	31.29	30.95	31.01	-0.03
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 18	372.00	373.50	369.50	372.10	+0.30
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Jun 18	68.95	69.38	67.54	67.70	-0.94
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Jun 18	2.745	2.789	2.728	2.781	+0.041
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	May 18	2.1346	2.1354	2.0856	2.0949	-0.0288

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STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	58.31	-0.53	Equity LifeFund Prop	N	87.67	+0.58	McDonalds Corp	N	157.32	-1.67
AbbVie Inc	N	91.36	-1.81	Equity Residential	N	60.71	+0.30	Middleby Corp	O	125.80	-1.61
Allstate Corp	N	97.39	-1.22	Exelon Corp	N	39.18	+0.52	Mondelz Int'l	O	39.77	-0.58
Aptargroup Inc	N	93.18	-1.17	First Indl RT	N	25.13	+0.34	Morningstar Inc	O	103.39	-0.25
Arch Dan Mid	N	45.16	-1.03	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	55.63	-2.13	Motorola Solutions	N	109.64	-1.18
Baxter Intl	N	66.16	-1.03	Gallagher WJ	N	69.56	-0.71	Navistar Intl	N	23.93	+0.06
Boeing Co	N	329.06	-9.78	GrubHub Inc	N	27.56	-0.52	NISource Inc	N	23.93	+0.06
Brunswick Corp	N	57.51	-1.48	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	85.78	-1.07	Nthn Trust Cp	O	107.04	-0.35
CBOE Global Markets	O	105.55	-2.39	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	85.78	-1.07	Old Republic	N	21.29	-1.18
CDK Global Inc	O	64.74	-0.04	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	77.51	-0.60	Packaging Corp Am	N	114.00	-3.31
CDW Corp	O	70.74	-0.87	IDEX Corp	N	138.37	-4.33	Stericycle Inc	O	61.07	+0.08
CF Industries	N	38.94	-0.06	ITW	N	149.65	-6.95	TransUnion	N	66.39	+0.82
CME Group	O	161.60	-2.60	Ingredion Inc	N	124.59	-1.64	Tribune Media Co A	N	38.41	-1.3
CNA Financial	N	49.57	-0.34	John Bean Technol	N	112.55	-2.70	USG Corp	N	40.07	-5.71
Caterpillar Inc	N	144.44	-9.55	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	172.94	-8.0	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	233.94	-4.7
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.82	+0.32	KapStone Paper	N	34.45	+0.03	United Cont'l Hldgs	N	68.95	-1.38
Deere Co	N	138.11	-7.93	Kraft Heinz Co	O	56.53	-1.15	Ventas Inc	N	47.37	+4.1
Discover Fin Svcs	N	72.90	-0.41	LKQ Corporation	O	37.50	-0.84	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	65.00	+4.0
Dover Corp	N	92.49	-2.63	Littelfuse Inc	O	199.26	-3.83	Wintrust Financial	O	91.89	-1.3
Equity Commonwealth	N	30.62	+0.19	MB Financial	O	44.10	+1.51	Zebra Tech	O	137.75	-1.81

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	30.19	-0.13
Freepport McMoran	16.08	-2.73
Gen Electric	14.68	+0.16
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.76	-0.17
Twitter Inc	30.47	-0.75
Ford Motor	10.96	-0.08
McDermott Intl	7.12	+0.12
Vale SA	13.95	+0.21
Chesapeake Energy	2.94	-0.04
Pfizer Inc	37.06	+0.26
Caterpillar Inc	144.44	-9.55
Wells Fargo & Co	52.51	-1.10
AT&T Inc	35.00	+0.11
Verizon Comm	49.67	+1.01
Snap Inc A	15.63	+0.09
Barrick Gold	13.38	+0.46
CocaCola Co	43.07	-0.91
Square Inc	46.01	-4.34
Sthwstn Energy	4.28	+0.01
Chi Brdg & Iron	13.81	+0.43
Procter & Gamble	72.50	-0.50
JPMorgan Chase & Co	110.41	-0.52
Citigroup	69.12	-0.36
ENSCO PLC	6.18	+1.7

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alphabet Inc C	1019.98	-47.47
Alphabet Inc A	1022.64	-51.17
Amazon.com Inc	1460.09	-57.77
Apple Inc	162.94	-2.30
Bank of America	30.19	-0.13
Berkshire Hath B	196.80	-2.62
Chevron Corp	122.54	-1.04
Exxon Mobil Corp	78.35	-1.22
Facebook Inc	159.69	-6.15
F5Tr SenFITRincoll	13.17	-0.03
Intel Corp	51.45	+0.35
JPMorgan Chase	110.41	-0.52
Johnson & Johnson	126.19	-0.64
Mexico Fund	16.09	-0.06
Microsoft Corp	93.12	-2.23
Source Cap	40.00	-0.18
UnitedHealth Group	234.22	-1.2
WalMart Strs	86.53	+0.43
Wells Fargo & Co	52.51	-1.10

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	32.70	-0.45	+18.7
American Funds AmronBAlA m	26.70	-0.20	+8.5
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	65.13	-0.41	+15.6
American Funds CptInlBldrA m	60.52	-0.29	+0.0
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	56.59	-0.31	+17.6
American Funds FdmntInvsA m	61.56	-0.84	+13.8
American Funds GrfAmrCA m	51.20	-0.87	+19.5
American Funds IncAmrCA m	22.77	-0.15	+6.8
American Funds IncAmrCA m	39.77	-0.49	+11.5
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	43.98	-0.56	+17.8
American Funds WAMTInvsA m	45.18	-0.53	+13.7
DFA EMktCorEq	23.13	-0.23	+18.5
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.43	-0.01	+1.0
Dodge & Cox IntStk	46.06	-0.29	+11.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	199.96	-2.03	+12.5
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.41	-0.01	+0.7
Fidelity 500Idxns	92.11	-1.25	+13.1
Fidelity 500IdxnsPrrm	92.11	-1.25	+13.2
Fidelity 500IndexPrrm	92.11	-1.25	+13.1
Fidelity Contrafund	124.27	-2.64	+21.8
Fidelity ContrafundK	124.23	-2.64	+21.9
Fidelity InvMGradeBd	10.90	-0.02	+0.0
Fidelity LowPrStk	54.78	-0.24	+14.3
Franklin Templeton Inca m	2.30	-0.01	+3.4
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.34	-0.01	-0.5
Oakmark IntlInv	28.46	-1.10	+14.9
PIMCO Inclnst	12.09	...	+4.2
PIMCO TtRetns	9.97	...	+4.0
Schwab SP500Idx	40.82	-0.55	+21.1
T. Rowe Price BCGr	101.69	-2.29	+27.8
T. Rowe Price GrStk	64.93	-1.29	+22.0
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	243.47	-3.29	+13.1
Vanguard DivGrInv	26.13	-0.28	+11.2
Vanguard HCAmrl	82.57	-0.01	+5.9
Vanguard IntTTEAdmrl	13.82	-0.01	+1.0
Vanguard IntlStkAdmrl	240.29	-3.26	+13.1
Vanguard IntlStkPlus	240.31	-3.26	+13.2
Vanguard InstTSMInPls	58.74	-0.74	+3.2
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	97.75	-0.47	+6.2
Vanguard MDCpdxAdmrl	190.34	-2.17	+10.8
Vanguard PrrmCpdxAdmrl	134.72	-1.81	+19.6
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.46	...	+1.1
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	71.06	-0.53	+19.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.14	-0.16	+7.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.36	-0.11	+9.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	20.41	-0.22	+10.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	33.57	-0.15	+11.1
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.39	-0.02	-0.7
Vanguard TtBMDIdxns	10.39	-0.02	-0.7
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	21.75	...	+2.3
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	30.45	-0.12	+15.7
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	121.76	-0.47	+15.7
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	121.78	-0.47	+15.7
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	18.20	-0.07	+15.6
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	66.08	-0.83	+13.2
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	66.09	-0.83	+13.2
Vanguard TtInBdAdmrl	66.05	-0.83	+13.0
Vanguard WngntAdmrl	70.87	-0.33	+8.4
Vanguard WlsyIncAdmrl	62.88	-0.21	+3.9
Vanguard WndsrAdmrl	65.91	-0.50	+9.5

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DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.82	1.83
6-month disc	1.99	1.985
2-year	2.48	2.48
10-year	3.00	2.98
30-year	3.18	3.14

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1331.40	\$1322.50
Silver	\$16.687	\$16.571
Platinum	\$928.90	\$916.30

INTEREST RATES

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

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A U.S. Dollar buys...	
Argentina (Peso)	20.2593
Australia (Dollar)	1.3162
Brazil (Real)	3.4685
Britain (Pound)	0.7157
Canada (Dollar)	1.2833
China (Yuan)	6.3113
Euro	81.72
India (Rupee)	66.423
Israel (Shekel)	3.5644
Japan (Yen)	108.67
Mexico (Peso)	18.8679
Poland (Zloty)	3.44
So. Korea (Won)	1077.70
Taiwan (Dollar)	29.62
Thailand (Baht)	31.45

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	3128.93	+60.9/+2.0
Stoxx600	383.11	-1/-0.3
Nikkei	22278.12	+190.1/+0.9
MSCI-EAFE	2048.24	+3.1/+0.2
Bovespa	85469.08	-133.4/-0.2
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CAC-40	5444.16	+5.6/+0.1

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MICHAEL HEALY 1926-2018

Army career included leading Special Forces

BY GRAYDON MEGAN
Chicago Tribune

Retired Maj. Gen. Michael Healy enlisted in the Army at 19, launching a distinguished 35-year career that included 5½ tours of duty in Vietnam, during which he picked up the nickname "Iron Mike."

He joined the Army at the end of World War II. During the long career that ensued, his assignments included leading the Army Airborne Rangers and making parachute landings in the Korean War, leading Special Forces in combat from nearly the start to the end of the U.S. involvement in Vietnam, and earning honors that included three Distinguished Service Medals, two Silver Stars, the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, seven Bronze Stars with Valor and two Purple Hearts.

His exploits in the Special Forces — the Green Berets — earned him mention in several books and may have been part of the inspiration for John Wayne's character in the 1968 movie "The Green Berets."

One of Healy's proudest moments came in 2015, long after his 1981 retirement, when the commanding general of the Army's John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center, Maj. Gen. James Linder, awarded Healy the Distinguished Member of the Special Forces Regiment award, essentially enshrining him in the Special Forces ring of honor.

"Gen. Healy is not just significant in our community, he is a genuine icon," Linder said. "Only a very, very small few walk in the formation that Gen. Healy does."

Healy, 91, died April 14 of natural causes at Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville Fla., according to his son Patrick. Healy and his wife, Jacklyn, who survives him, moved to Jacksonville around 1998 to be closer to some of his sons.

Healy grew up in Chicago, where his father was a police officer. After graduating from Fenwick High School in Oak Park, he considered studying for the priesthood at the since-closed Quigley Preparatory Seminary in Chicago. But World War II, while nearly over, was still being fought and Healy decided to sign up.

He graduated from Infantry Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Ga., in 1946, and later served as a



FAMILY PHOTO

Retired Maj. Gen. Michael Healy received numerous honors for his service.

young lieutenant in the 1st Cavalry Division and the army of occupation in Japan, where he completed parachute training. It was also in Japan that he met his future wife. The two married in 1949.

During the Korean War, he joined the newly formed Airborne Ranger companies as platoon leader and later company commander with the 4th Ranger Company, working in special operations.

He next served in command and staff officer positions at Fort Campbell, Ky. After completing the infantry officers advanced course, he became a team commander with the newly formed 77th Special Forces Group at Fort Bragg, N.C., where he was also an instructor at the Special Forces Warfare Officers School.

After attending the Marine Corps Officers Advanced School in Quantico, Va., he became a team commander and operations officer with a Special Forces group in Europe.

In July 1963, he started his long involvement in Vietnam as an operations officer and senior adviser to the Vietnamese special forces at a time when few Americans were in the country.

Over the next several years, Healy commanded several battalions in Vietnam. In early 1967, he became executive officer and special assistant to the deputy U.S. ambassador, working in the office of civil operations.

After a stint stateside, he returned to Vietnam for a third tour, eventually commanding infantry in the Mekong Delta. He left the country briefly but was recalled to Vietnam by Gen. Creighton Abrams to command a Special Forces group.

John Tobin, a retired colonel, was a young

sergeant in a Special Forces mobile strike group in Vietnam when Healy took over command of the group.

"Healy introduced himself," Tobin said, then issued his first order. "Gentlemen," Tobin quoted him, "I'm giving you a direct order. You are not allowed to die. I cannot replace you."

"You knew how much he cared about you," Tobin said.

Healy left Vietnam in 1970 for command positions at Fort Bragg, but Abrams brought him back to Vietnam in 1972, and he remained there until U.S. combat forces left the country in 1973.

On return to the states, he took over command of the John F. Kennedy Center and Institute for Military Assistance at Fort Bragg. He was promoted to major general and remained in command until October 1975.

Retired Col. Bruce Cobb met Healy in 1966 at Fort Bragg and served as his aide there in the mid-1970s, "He was definitely a hands-on, out-front kind of guy, always available," Cobb said.

Healy, Cobb said, attracted loyalty from those with whom he served. "He was very loyal to you if you demonstrated a willingness to be loyal to him," Cobb said.

His final assignment was as commander of Army Readiness and Mobilization Region V at Fort Sheridan, where he had enlisted as a private 35 years before.

After his 1981 retirement from the Army, Healy came back to Chicago. While here, he was asked by Mayor Jane Byrne to help with security for the Chicago Housing Authority but never went forward with that, his son said.

Former Tribune reporter Bill Currie wrote about Healy around the time of his retirement in a story for a Tribune magazine.

"What I remember best about him was how enthusiastic he was about life and living and the Army and about his love for our country," Currie said. "He was a genuine character and had an extraordinary life as a soldier."

Healy also is survived by sons Daniel, Michael Jr., Timothy, Sean and Kirk; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

A service with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery is being planned.

Graydon Megan is a freelance reporter.

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Death Notices

Alore, Calvin J.

Calvin J. Alore, age 90. U.S. Army Cost Guard Merchant Marine Veteran. Beloved husband of 60 years to Jeanette "Jean" (nee DeLorenzo); loving father of Michael (Jean), Thomas (Phyllis), Kelly (the late Denise) and Peter (Vicki) Alore; cherished grandfather of Kristen (Collin Tinsley), Kari (Frank Ross), Ashley (Fiancé Tom Schumacher), Adam, Adriana (Justin) Gaitas, Nikki, Taylor, Daniel, Kelli Jo, Stephanie and Lindsay Alore; proud great-grandfather of Calvin and Juliette; dearest brother of Ann Bjork and the late Louis (Louise) Alore. Retired Member of the Truck Drivers, Helpers & Warehouse Workers Union. Visitation Thursday 3-9pm. Funeral Friday 10:30am at Blake-Lamb Funeral Home 5015 Lincoln Avenue (Rt 53- ½ mile South of Ogden). Interment Private. Please visit www.blake-lamb-funeralhome.com or call 630-964-9392 for more information.

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Armstrong, Maria

Maria Armstrong, age 94, of Oak Park; beloved wife of the late Donald C. Armstrong; loving mother of John, Jacques, Gerard (Nihal), Paul and the late Pierre Rogers; dear sister of the late Tony and Anne. Visitation Friday 3 to 8 p.m. at Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Friends will meet at St. Edmund Church, 188 S. Oak Park Ave., on Saturday for Mass at 9:30. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donation to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls (mercyhome.org) are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-383-3191 or drechslerbrownwilliams.com

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Baelum, Erik Brynn

Erik Brynn Baelum, age 49, of Gurnee, IL, passed away with family by his side at Journey Care in Glenview, IL on Monday, April 23, 2018. He was born September 25, 1968 in Des Plaines, IL to Erik and Yelva Baelum. He is survived by his loving wife Karen (Land), daughters Nicole and Erika, his parents Erik and Yelva, his sister Susan Baelum, niece Sienna Kohlbrecher (Floutsakos) and her husband Kyle, nephew Yorgos Floutsakos, uncle Holger, goddaughter Allyson Karnuth and her sister Samantha Karnuth and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He was a loving husband, doting father and cherished friend to many. In his free time Erik enjoyed listening to music and chasing after the latest craft beers. Information on a celebration of life gathering will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in his honor to: The American Brain Tumor Association at www.abta.org.

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Batacan, Peter A.

November 29, 1961 - April 13, 2018

Peter A. Batacan, 56 of Chicago, IL born Nov. 29, 1961 in New Westminster, BC, Canada passed away Fri. Apr. 13, 2018 in his Chicago home.

He is preceded in death by his parents, George and Rosario (Abad) Batacan, and his wife, Karen A. Kincaid.

His surviving relatives are: sisters, Michelle (Glenn Alexander) of New Buffalo, MI and Giselle (Robert Bontempo) Batacan of New York City, NY, and nieces Danielle and Alexandra Spellman and Kay Bontempo; nephews Sean and Kevin Spellman and Paul Bontempo, grand-niece, Tazzie and grand-nephew Gavin Spellman. Peter is also survived by sisters-in-law Kathryn D'Amico, Karyl (Tony) Kincaid Noel, and brothers-in-law Kasey Kincaid and Rev Dr Kristian (Jennifer) Kincaid, of Iowa. Nieces Kristen D'Ambrosio, Alyssa Sackett, Jodi and Natalie Kincaid, Emily Kincaid; and nephews Joshua, Nicholas, and Zachary D'Amico, Nathaniel and Samuel Noel, and Grant, Greyson, and Gregor Kincaid.

Peter was a graduate of St. Mary elementary and Marquette High School, Michigan City, IN. He completed a B.A., English, University of Notre Dame; M.A., English and Literature, University of Michigan; and J.D., Fordham University.

Karen and Peter married July 6, 1996, having met working as attorneys in Washington, DC at the FCC. Among his many interests, Peter was a thoughtful writer (poetry and prose) and a musician. He also enjoyed world travels and was a personal fitness trainer.

Visitation (10:30am) and Mass of Christian Burial (12:00 pm) is scheduled for Saturday, Apr. 28, 2018 at Notre Dame Catholic Church, 1010 Moore Rd., Michigan City, IN. Rev. Keith McClellan, officiating. Prayer service and Committal of ashes will take place at St. Columba Episcopal Church, Washington, DC at a later date to be announced.

In lieu of flowers and in honor and tribute of Peter's life, memorial contributions are requested to be directed to the following organizations: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), Catholic Charities, Academy of American Poets <https://www.poets.org/academy-american-poets/home>, Old Town School of Folk Music <https://www.oldtownschool.org/support/donors/tribute.php> To sign a guest book and leave condolences online visit the website www.otthaverstock.com

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Bermann, William 'Bill'

William "Bill" Bermann, age 88, passed away April 22. He is formerly of Chicago, LaGrange, IL and currently of Glen Ellyn. Beloved husband of 66 years to Janet, loving father of Bob, Bruce (Nancy) and Jane (Patrick) McGrath, cherished grandfather of 10, and great grandfather of 4.

Memorial Service Saturday April 28 at 2:00pm at the First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn 535 Forest Avenue, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Bill graduated from Lyons Township High School and met his wife Jan at Monmouth College. After graduating, they married and Bill was drafted to the Army where he proudly served in the Counter Intelligence Corps 115th CIC Detachment.

Bill had a successful career in sales and management in the packaging industry. Working first in metals (cans) then paper then plastics. His career included time with American Can, Weyerhaeuser and Champion Products (Flexible Packaging Division) working with Kraft, Armour and SC Johnson.

Bill served in a variety of roles at the First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn including Moderator and Finance Committee Chairman. Other volunteer roles include Republican Precinct Committeeman, Bridge Communities mentor, Board member at Pilgrim Place Senior Living in LaGrange, and he lead a fundraising effort to purchase what became Central DuPage Hospital.

Bill and Jan loved to travel and saw most of the world. Their adventures include trips to Australia, China, Russia, Peru, the Galapagos Islands, Kenya and most of Europe. They spent wonderful time together at vacation homes in Pine Island, FL and Orange Beach, AL.

Some of Bill's favorite moments were with his gourmet group, his poker buddies and playing golf at the Village Links in Glen Ellyn. Especially the grand vacations with his complete family including Sanibel Island, the Canadian Rockies, Cancun, and a Caribbean Cruise.

He had many passions and interests including investments, gardening and Dixieland jazz. Bill led a full and rich life and was known by all to be an eternal optimist. He will be terribly missed.

Memorials may be made to: FCCCE Endowment Fund, First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn or Monmouth College 700 East Broadway, Monmouth IL 61462

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Bialek, Frank

Frank B. Bialek. US Army Air Force Veteran of World War II. Beloved husband of the late June. Loving father of Christine, Gail(Raj), Timothy(Angelica) and the late Bruce, Mark and Frank. Dear grandfather of 4, great grandfather of 5. Devoted brother to John. Cherished brother of Regina and Loretta. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation is Thursday 9:00 a.m. until time of prayers at 10:30 a.m. at the Richard-Midway Funeral Home 5749 Archer Ave. (corner of Lorel) to St. Camillus Church for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

773-767-1840 or www.richardmidwayfh.com.

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Boosel, Tillie S.

Tillie S. Boosel, nee Sicher, age 96. Beloved wife of the late Harry Boosel. Loving mother of Nanci (the late Charlie) Judge and Wayne (Bonnie) Boosel. Proud grandmother of Clayton and Lyndsay Judge and Wendy Boosel. Dear sister of the late Ann (the late Sam) Caplan and the late Lillian (Jimmy) Guzzardo. Graveside service Friday 3PM at Westlawn Cemetery, 7801 W. Montrose Ave., Norridge, IL 60706. In lieu of flowers, memorials to American Cancer Society, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60601, www.cancer.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Burke, Phillip M

Phillip M Burke, 83, lifelong resident of Chicago passed away April 22. Loving husband to the late Julia (nee Salinas). Beloved Father of Phillip D. (Jessica), Joseph (Tonya), Michael, John, and Ann. Dear brother of Virginia (James) Jackson, the late Mary, and Thomas. Grandfather of 9 and uncle to many. Visitation Thursday, 4-9pm at Barr Funeral Home, 6222 N Broadway, Chicago. Funeral Thursday leaving 9:30 for 10am funeral Mass at St Gertrude Church; interment All Saints Cemetery, DesPlaines. For information call (773) 743-4034 or leave a condolence at BarrFuneralHome.com.

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Campbell, Christine M.

Christine M. Campbell, nee Devine, 67, April 23, 2018, lifelong resident of the southwest sides of Chicago, of Clearing neighborhood, dearly beloved wife of William W. Campbell; devoted mother of Patrick (Josette) Campbell, Danielle (Chris) Fassler and the late Bryan Campbell; cherished grandmother of Ian and Andrew Campbell, Kathleen, Christopher and William Fassler; loving daughter in law of the late Nellie and Robert Campbell; fond sister of William (Patty) Devine and Robert Devine; dear aunt and friend of many. The Campbell Family wishes to express their appreciation to Dr. David Levy, Dr. Mary Jo Fidler, Mary Ellen Hand, RN, the infusion team and the nurses on the 14th floor at Rush Medical Center. Special thanks to JourneyCare Hospice. Services at CENTRAL CHAPEL 6158 S. Central Ave., Chicago, IL, where family and friends will gather on Thursday, April 26, from 3 to 9 p.m. Funeral Friday, April 27, 8:45 a.m., at chapel, to St. Symphorosa Church, 6135 S. Austin Ave., Chicago. Mass of Christian Burial 9:30 a.m. Burial Fairmount-Willow Hills Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Memorial contributions to JourneyCare Hospice or Toys for Tots, appreciated. Please visit CHRISTINE CAMPBELL BOOK OF MEMORIES. To express your thoughts or memories in the online guest book, visit www.chapelc.com or www.facebook.com/centralchapel. Info., 773-581-9000.

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ON APRIL 25 ...

In 1792, highwayman Nicolas Jacques Pelletier became the first person under French law to be executed by the guillotine.

In 1859 ground was broken for the Suez Canal.

In 1874 radio pioneer Guglielmo Marconi was born in Bologna, Italy.

In 1898 the United States formally declared war on Spain.

In 1901 New York became the first state to require automobile license plates; the fee was \$1.

In 1906 Supreme Court Justice William Brennan was born in Newark, N.J.

In 1908 broadcast journalist Edward R. Murrow was born in Pole Creek, N.C.

In 1915, during World War I, Allied soldiers invaded the Gallipoli Peninsula in an unsuccessful attempt to take the Ottoman Turkish Empire out of the war.

In 1918 singer Ella Fitzgerald was born in Newport News, Va.

In 1930 film director and screenwriter Paul Mazursky was born in New York.

In 1940 actor Al Pacino was born in New York.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. and Soviet forces linked up on the Elbe River, a meeting that dramatized the collapse of Nazi Germany's defenses.

In 1983 Soviet leader Yuri Andropov invited Samantha Smith to visit his country after receiving a letter in which the Manchester, Maine, schoolgirl expressed fears about nuclear war.

In 1984 David Kennedy, 28, a son of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, was found dead of a drug overdose in a hotel in Palm Beach, Fla.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS	
April 24	
Mega Millions	03 19 31 32 48 / 03
Mega Millions jackpot: \$96M	
Pick 3 midday	371 / 1
Pick 4 midday	0798 / 0
Lucky Day Lotto midday	06 17 29 35 37
Pick 3 evening	825 / 5
Pick 4 evening	9706 / 8
Lucky Day Lotto evening	06 33 35 36 37
April 25 Powerball: \$158M	
April 25 Lotto: \$11.75M	
WISCONSIN	
April 24	
Pick 3	863
Pick 4	6242
Badger 5	11 12 16 26 27
SuperCash	01 02 28 32 35 37

INDIANA	
April 24	
Daily 3 midday	040 / 9
Daily 4 midday	1427 / 9
Daily 3 evening	137 / 4
Daily 4 evening	5624 / 4
Cash 5	03 11 21 27 36
MICHIGAN	
April 24	
Daily 3 midday	702
Daily 4 midday	9884
Daily 3 evening	502
Daily 4 evening	0055
Fantasy 5	02 04 10 26 29
Keno	01 12 15 16 17 20
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Curtis, John George

John George Curtis, age 83, passed away on Monday, April 23, 2018. Beloved husband of MaryAnn; loving father of Lena (Tom) Carroll, George John (Andria); devoted son of the late George John and Tessie; proud Papou of Billy, Johnny, Jimmy, John George, Chloe and Bobby. Dear brother of Francine (the late Dean) Stamos, Effie (the late Peter) Tragos and the late Becky (the late Socrates) Shukas. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews and their families. Nouno of Vasily Zimbrakos and the late Georgann Petros Crotty and Godfather of Cathy Smith Walker. Proud member of the Masons of Illinois. Visitation Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 4:00 - 9:00 pm at Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.). Family and Friends will meet for Funeral service on Friday, April 27, 2018 at 10:00 am at Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church, 2501 S. Wolf Road, Westchester, IL. Interment at Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's name to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601. For further info: 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L
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Daly, Linda

Linda Daly, 66 of Valparaiso, Indiana formerly of Chicago, IL and Las Vegas, NV passed away Monday, April 16, 2018. She was born May 20, 1951 in Chicago to John & Mary (Longo) Thielen. She married Patrick Michael Daly who preceded her in death in 1989. Survivors include their sons, Michael Patrick Daly & Patrick Michael Daly both of Valparaiso, brother, Michael Thielen and several grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, John & Judy Thielen. A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, April 28th at 12:00 Noon at Nativity of Our Lord Chapel, Chicago, IL. MoellerFuneralHome.com
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DiGirolamo, Beatrice

Beatrice DiGirolamo, age 90 of Itasca, passed away peacefully April 17, 2018. Beatrice was the beloved daughter of the late Diamonte and Mary DiGirolamo. Cherished sister of Edwin (Elaine) and the late Robert (Nancy). Fond aunt and great aunt of many nieces and nephews. Family and friends to gather Saturday, April 28, 2018 for 12:30PM memorial mass at St. Patrick Parish. 400 Cedar St., St. Charles, IL.
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Drzewiecki, Robert

Robert Allen Drzewiecki "Drz" age 75, of Lansing, IL formerly of Munster, IN passed away Saturday, April 21, 2018. Bob is survived by the mother of his 4 children, Marsha Drzewiecki (nee Haines); children, Tammy Ward of Lansing, IL, Robin (Matthew) Pfeiffer of Lockport, IL, Robert E. (Karen) Drzewiecki of Schererville, IN, Timothy (Sengul) Drzewiecki of Germantown, MD; 9 grandchildren, Kayla, Brandon, Anthony, Brett, Katelyn, Mark, Abbie, Bradley and Julian; brother, Donald Drzewiecki; sister, Judith Trask; many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Lottie (nee Nowakowski) Drzewiecki; sister, Irene Polczynski; sister in law, Patricia Drzewiecki; and brother in law, James Trask Jr. A visitation will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 3:00-8:00 PM at the Solan Pruzin Funeral Home, 14 Kennedy Ave., (corner of Main and Kennedy) Schererville, IN 46375. Prayer service at 3:30 PM. A Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, April 27, 2018 at 10:00 AM DIRECTLY at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 8501 Calumet Ave., Munster, IN 46321 with Rev. Michael J. Yadron officiating. Bob will lie in state at the church from 9:30 AM until time of service. He will be laid to rest at Holy Cross Cemetery in Calumet City, IL. Bob was a 1962 graduate of CVS. He was an Army Veteran who proudly served in the Vietnam War. Bob was a train engineer for CSX and former ironworker who helped build the Sears Tower. He retired from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District as a Union Electrician (Local #134) after 16 years of service. He enjoyed bowling, golfing and flying model airplanes. He was a dedicated Cubs and Bears fan. Bob was a loving father and grandfather who will be dearly missed by all who knew him.
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Holt, Jacqueline F.

Jacqueline F. "Jacie" Holt, nee Bliss, age 81. Beloved wife of the late Harold J. Holt; devoted mother of Diane (Michael Feldman), Sharon (Jack Spangenberg), Daniel (Denise Casula), and Matthew (Becky) Holt; cherished grandmother of Bailey, Sydney, Emma, Eleanor, Harold, Isaac, Abby, and Ava Holt; sister of Beverly (Charlie) Foskett, Theodore Bliss, and the late Donald Gates and Jeannie Ashley; beloved aunt and friend to many. Memorial Service Friday 10 a.m. Congregation Etz Chaim, 1710 S. Highland Ave., Lombard, 60148; streaming available at <https://congetzchaim.org/Streaming>. Interment private. Remembrances may be made to either the Social Action Committee or the Senior Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, both at Congregation Etz Chaim, email: cec.info@congetzchaim.org. Info: Chesed v'Emet, Rudy Lerner, Funeral Director, 847-577-0856, www.chesedvetem.com.
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Hortatsos, Jean C.

Jean C. Hortatsos, nee Kamaris, 75, at rest April 23, 2018. Dear wife of the late Andrew S. Hortatsos and the late Dean W. Chrones. Loving mother of Deanna (Michael Garrett) Chrones and Georgina (Tony) Bauernfreund. Beloved step-mother of Andrew (Tracy) Hortatsos, Michael (Gina) Hortatsos, and John Hortatsos. Dear Yiayia of Alec, Elaine, Cora, Nicholas, Peter, and John Paul Hortatsos. Dear friend to many. Visitation Thursday April 26, 4 PM to 9 PM at Chapel Hill Gardens South Funeral Home 17W201 Roosevelt Rd., Oakbrook Terrace. Chapel Funeral Service Friday April 27, 10:30 AM. Interment Chapel Hill Gardens West Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the American Cancer Society 225 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60601 or www.cancer.org would be appreciated. Info: (630) 941-5860 or www.chapelhillgardenswest.com. May Her Memory Be Eternal.
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Jarog, Louise M.

Louise M. Jarog, age 98, long-time resident of Chicago, IL, passed away on Sunday April 22, 2018 in Naperville, IL - Beloved sister of Josephine Hyzy, and sister-in-law Sylvia; cherished aunt of Dean (Patty), Patricia (John) Davies, Brian (Patti) Hyzy and Andrew; fond great aunt of Jonathan (Marc), James (Juthamart); Laura, Mark, and Sarah Hyzy; and Timothy, Noah and Jacob; and dear great-grand aunt of Eva and Caroline. Louise was preceded in death by her parents, brother Walter, and brother-in-law Joseph Hyzy. Memorial Visitation Friday April 27th at 9:30 a.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 4646 N. Austin Ave., Chicago, IL; followed by a 10:00 a.m. Memorial Mass. Entombment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Louise's name to Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly, Copernicus Center or St. Robert Bellarmine Church (all of Chicago, IL) are appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to COLONIAL-WOJCIECHOWSKI FUNERAL HOMES. Info 773-774-0366 or colonialfuneral.com
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Kakis, Anastasia

Anastasia Kakis, nee Svuouros/Svuourakis, passed away on Sunday, April 22, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Stanley A. Kakis; loving mother of Theanne (Peter) Ballios, Georgia Kakis, Evan (Elaine) Kakis; proud grandmother of Stephan (Christina), George, Stacy and George (Ann); Great grandmother of Angelo and Sia. Dear sister of the late George and Michael Svuouros/Svuourakis; fond aunt of Leah, Chris and Anne. Visitation Thursday, April 26, 2018 from 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. Family and friends will meet on Friday morning for Visitation from 9:30 am - 10:00 am at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 2727 W. Winona Street, Chicago, IL 60625, with the Funeral Service beginning at 10:00 am. Interment at Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in memory of Anastasia Kakis to St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church or to the Pancretan Association of America Scholarship Fund, 1747 Elliott Street, Park Ridge, IL 60068. Arrangements by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director Ltd. For information 847-375-0095.
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Levin, Sherri E.

Wheeler - Sherri E. Levin, 54, left this world on Sat. April 21, 2018 at home after a courageous battle with cancer. Sherri is survived by her domestic partner, Victor Raymond, her mother, Fern (Feis) Levin and the late Eugene Levin of Wheeling IL, her 2 sisters; Randi Levin and wife Sharon, and Stacey Levin and wife Julia, plus "BFF," Jeannie Weir.
 Born in Chicago on June 17, 1963, Sherri worked at Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. for many years. She lived in Whitinsville, MA for the past 10 years, previously residing in Miami, FL for over 20 years. She adored the beach, music, her dog Oreo, and along with her dad was a huge fan of ice cream. The family wishes to thank the Doctors and staff at Dana Farber and Salmon Hospice for their exceptional care. The details of a local memorial service will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Sherri's memory to: <http://www.dana-farber.org/how-you-can-help/>
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Lewis, Richard Allan 'Ricky'

Richard (Ricky) Lewis 71, died April 21, 2018 at home in Lago Vista Tx from complications following surgery. Ricky was born Oct. 12, 1946 Chicago Ill. He attended Beaubien grammar school 1951 - 1957 Mayfair 1957 - 1960 graduated Schurz high school 1964. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps August 23, 1965 served in Vietnam 1966, 67, 68 as a Grunt. While in Vietnam he saw much action receiving a purple heart and various combat medals. Rick retired as a police officer in October 1996, he then moved to his dream home in Barnes Wis. Rick's life was an uphill battle with alcoholism, divorce and P.T.S.D.. On Dec. 3 1994 Rick married Barb, they enjoyed 23 years of happiness ,having fun, travelling and being best friends, Barb was the love of his life. Rick and Barb moved to Lago Vista Tx. to live out the rest of their days. Rick is preceded in death by his parents and beloved aunts and uncles. He is survived by his wife Barbara Madro Lewis ,sister Pamela Zweifel brother in law Dr. Thomas Zweifel, John Madro, his sons Richard (Judy) Paul daughter Cara (Vince) nieces Dr. Gretchen Smith (David) Ingrid (Brandon) nephews Kurt (Celine) Peter Andy, Joey (Kim) Jonathan (Jennelle) grand daughters Halo Joy and Wilhelmina grandson paul great nieces and nephews Oliver, Vivian Esther, Otto Jennelle Max , Leah, Julie, Lucas, Jack and soon to be Jude. Ricky was the greatest story teller friend uncle husband dad and brother , he will be greatly missed. Semper Fi. A memorial service will be held at a future date.
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Liebman, Warren S.

Warren S. Liebman, age 84, loving father of Rhonda (Skip) Stern, Donna (Craig) Bernfield and Marc Liebman; cherished "Papa" of Rachel (fiancé Matthew DeJong), and Robert (Robin) Stern, Jamie (fiancé Seth Birkan) and Sari Bernfield, Ellie, Reese, and Alec Liebman; loving companion of Margie Lipsky. Services Thursday 12:15PM at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment will follow at Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Ark of Chicago. For information and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com
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Maher, John

84, passed away April 16, 2018. Beloved husband to Catherine nee Cannon. Fond uncle to Susan Bloom and other extended family members. He was a Chicago native who graduated St. Mel's in 1953, proudly served his country, and worked at UPS. Son of the late Gladys nee Bieh and Joseph, as well as a dear brother to Francis, Joseph, and Margie. Proud uncle to the late David. Visitation Friday from 10:30 AM until 12:00 noon at St. Cyprian Church, 2561 Clinton Street in River Grove, funeral Mass to follow at 12:00 noon. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Irish American Heritage Center. For information please call 847-685-1002.
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Miller, Sarah

Sarah Miller nee Rabkin, age 93. Beloved wife of the late Shabsie "Sam" Miller. Loving mother of Jocelyn (the late Harvey) Schultz (Rabbi Jerold) Isenberg, Dov "Barry" (Noga) Miller, and Ellen (Eliezer "Larry") Braun. Adored Bubbe to many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Services have been held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the charity of your choice. For shiva info., please contact Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com
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Nackoney, Raymond

Raymond Nackoney, age 74, passed away on April 19, 2018. Beloved husband of Patricia (nee Balch); loving father of Lauren, Cristin (Auggie) Negele, David and Donald; son of the late Walter and Genevieve Nackoney; brother of Denny (Judy) Nackoney and Ruth (Bob) McCullough; brother-in-law of George (Allyson) Balch, the late Robert Balch, Bonnie Balch, Mary Ann (Lee) Erb; and loving uncle to many nieces and a nephew. Born in Philadelphia on June 16, 1943. Graduated from University of Pennsylvania with a BA in Mathematical Physics and University of Chicago with a PhD in Astrophysics. Associate Professor at Loyola University Chicago for his career. He had an insatiable intellect and a love of the outdoors. Most of all, he cherished his time with family. Friends of the family may visit Friday April 27, 2018 from 4:00pm until 7:00 pm at STRANG FUNERAL CHAPEL & CREMATORIUM, 410 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030. The visitation will continue on Saturday April 28, 2018 from 10:00am until the time of the funeral mass at 11:00am at St. Paul the Apostle Church 6401 Gages Lake Rd. Gurnee, IL. Flowers are welcome; donations may be sent to the Les Turner ALS Foundation.
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Ostertag, Minton

Minton Ostertag, 81, of Northbrook; beloved husband of the late Ina Ostertag; cherished father of Rebecca Ostertag and Genny (George Brooks) Ostertag; dear friend of Laurel Israel. Minton was a longtime English, speech, and drama teacher at Morton East High School. He was a former docent at Brookfield Zoo and the Museum of Science and Industry. He loved orchids, rhinos, old-time radio, theater, travel, watches, and bad jokes. He will be deeply missed. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., Thursday, April 26, 2018, at Temple Chai, 1670 Checker Rd., Long Grove, IL 60047. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. Memorial contributions to Chicago Zoological Society (www.czs.org) appreciated. For funeral information: 847-256-5700.
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Pritasil, Rose L.

Rose L. Pritasil, nee Spurny. 90 years of age, at rest April 23, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Dear mother of Rosemarie, Joseph (Susan), Jane (the late Wence) Prikazsky and John Pritasil. Loving grandmother of Paul (Kathleen) and Mark Prikazsky. Great-grandmother of William Wence Prikazsky. Memorial service is Friday, April 27, 2018, 11:00 am at Adolf Funeral Home, Ltd., 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook. Memorial visitation is Thursday, April 26th from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Info at: 630-325-2300 or www.adolfsservices.com.
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Puccio, Mark Vincent

Dearly Beloved Husband of Julie nee Kaelin; Loving Father of Mary Kaelin Puccio; Beloved Son of the late Mary and James Puccio; Beloved Son-in-Law of Joyce and Richard Kaelin. Dear Brother of Geraldine Puccio and James (Gayle) Puccio; Dear Brother-in-Law of Rick Kaelin. Loving uncle of David (Lylyana) Fowlie, Marisa (Steve) Barry, Cristina Puccio, Christopher Kaelin, and the late Lisa Puccio. Fond great-uncle, cousin and friend to many. Memorial visitation Saturday April 28, 10:45am at Willow Creek Community Church 67 Algonquin Road, South Barrington, Illinois until time of Service at 11:30am. Mark was the Vice President/Head of Work Comp Claims at Zurich North American Insurance, proud board member of Boys Hope/ Girls Hope, and active member of Willow Creek church. In Lieu of flowers the family would appreciate donations to be made to two charities close to Mark's heart: Boys Hope/ Girls Hope (a mentoring program for inner city children to create value centered students and prepare their college bound education) and Phil's Friends (provides support and hope for cancer patients and their families). Please visit Mark's Tribute at Carbonarafuneralhome.net 708-343-6161
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Rabin, Gertrude

Gertrude Rabin, nee Paker, 98, beloved wife of the late Kenneth; loving mother of Ellen Beth (Melvin) Plotsky and Peggy (Nat) Shapiro; cherished Nana of Robin (Juan) Parillo and Karyn Brewer; adored great grandmother of Marcus and Robert; dear sister of Elaine (the late Sanford) Altschul and the late Rose (the late Nate) Cohen; treasured aunt, cousin and friend of many. Chapel service today, Wednesday, at 12:15 PM at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or Wings Programs, Inc. For information or condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com
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Rogers

See Maria Armstrong notice.

Shaikh, Ali Arshad 'Ali'

Dr. Ali Arshad Shaikh, age 75, a former resident of Indianapolis, passed away from multiple myeloma at his home in Naperville, IL on April 15th, 2018 at 12:25 am. Dr. Ali was born in Khulna, Bangladesh in 1942. He passed away in the loving company of his wife (Selina Shaikh), daughter (Dr. Nabilah Rontu) and son (Munzoor Shaikh). Services were already held and burial completed on April 16th, 2018. Dr. Ali was born in a small village in the district of Khulna. His passion for science and education afforded him many scholarships both in Bangladesh and in the US culminating in his Masters and Doctorate from Oklahoma State University. He was an eager learner and as a professor of the National Agricultural University in Bangladesh, he taught what he had learned. He will be forever remembered as a loving man. A loving husband, father, son, teacher, friend and brother to many. His greatest love was his love for his wife, Selina. His heart had always revolved around what more he could do or be to bring her comfort, happiness and fulfillment.
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Shapiro, Jerome 'Jerry'

Jerome "Jerry" Shapiro, age 99, served honorably as a sergeant in the U.S. Army during WW II; beloved husband for 69 wonderful years of the late Marian Jane Shapiro, nee Fisher; loving father of Sheila Case, Debbie (Mark) Shavitz, Lisa (Bradley) Gatwood and Marla (Danny) Gelfond; adored Papa of Heather Case, Sean Case, Courtney Case Sweeney, Samantha Gatwood, Lindsay Rabin, Jaclyn and Allison Gelfond; proud great grandfather of Savannah, Sarah, Spencer, Schyler and Irelynd; cherished brother of the late Irving Shapiro and the late Rollie (late Andy) Shapiro; treasured uncle and friend to many. Service Friday, 10:00 a.m. at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Lake County Honor Flight, P.O. Box 1187, North Chicago, IL 60064. Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.
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Sjostrom, Geoffrey W.

Geoffrey W. Sjostrom was born on February 24, 1950 in Neptune, NJ to Robert and Alice (nee Walworth) Sjostrom. He died Monday, April 23, 2018 in Chicago. Mr. Sjostrom was a retired Sergeant with the Oak Park Police Department. As he neared retirement, he became a member of the Arlingtonges Men's Barbershop Chorus of Arlington Heights. This became a passion of his and he was involved in every aspect of the organization. Geoffrey loved to travel, France was a favorite, as was rafting in Colorado. He loved cats, and would adopt the older less desirable ones, who would live out their days with him. He loved to spend time with his nieces and nephews, and would always arrive with chilled champagne in hand. Geoffrey is survived by his sister, Barbara Sjostrom (the late Jesse B. Porter, Jr.) Porter; nieces and nephews, Matt Porter, Jesse B. (Sherry) Porter, III, Pamela (Daniel) Mahachek, Sarah (James) Day, Marialyce Pedersen and Christian Pedersen; and several great-nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Marian Sjostrom. Visitation Sunday from 10 am until the 12 pm Memorial Service at Glueckert Funeral Home Ltd., 1520 North Arlington Hts. Rd. (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd.), Arlington Hts., IL 60004. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to the charity of your choice. Funeral Information and condolences can be given at www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.
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Steen, Emanuel 'Manny'

Emanuel "Manny" Steen, age 66, suddenly. Best friend and "partner in crime" of Mary, nee Heywood. Devoted and proud father of Dave, Neil and Joseph. Loving son of the late Julian and Emilia Steen. Proud uncle of many nieces and nephews and a great friend to many. Friends and family will gather at St. Cajetan Church; 112th and Artesian Thursday 2:00 p.m. until time of Mass 6:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers memorial to Our Lady of Loretto IBVM; PO BOX 508, Wheaton, IL 60187. 773-779-4411.
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Thompson, Paul "Foggy"

Paul "Foggy" Thompson, 96, born November 12, 1921 in Blair, WI, passed away peacefully April 23, 2018 in Crystal Lake surrounded by his family. Paul enjoyed many years of dancing with his wife, and was a square dance caller for 36 years. Paul and his wife Lorraine were married for 71 years. He was a member of Carpenters Union Local 839 for over 60 years, the Moose Lodge for 24 years, and a past master for Lounsbury Lodge in 1956. Paul is survived by his sons, Allen Lee (late Caryl) Chan) and Harry Paul (Karen) Thompson; grandchildren, Cheryl Davis and Jolyn Reynolds; great-grandchildren, Michael and Caleb Davis and Seth Barrix; nephew, KJ Kenfield; and niece, Cathy (nee Kenfield) Oman. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lorraine (nee Webster) Thompson; his parents, Albert and Clara (nee Lund) Thompson; and sister, Carolyn (nee Thompson) Kenfield. Visitation will be held Friday, April 27, from 5-9pm at Davenport Family Funeral Home and Crematory, 149 W Main St. (Lake-Cook Rd) Barrington. Funeral service will be held Saturday, April 28 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 401 E Main St. Barrington, with visiting beginning at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery, Barrington. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Paul's memory to St. Paul UCC, 401 E Main St, Barrington, IL 60010. Arrangements are entrusted with Davenport Family Funeral Home, Barrington. For online condolences please visit www.davenportfamily.com or call 847-381-3411 for information.
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Verhulst, Ann R.

Ann R. Verhulst, nee Faso; 80; beloved wife of the late Frederick; loving mother of Carol Krieger, Michael (Cheryl) Verhulst and Cherie (David) Letcher; devoted grandmother of Sara, Brittany, Jaimie, Erik, Ryan, Kevin and Kayla; dear sister of Charles (Jo Ann) Faso; also sister-in-law, aunt and friend of many. Visitation Thursday, April 26, 2018 at **Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home**, 8025 W. Golf Rd., Niles 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Lying in State Friday, April 27 at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church, 411 N. Wheeling Rd., Prospect Heights, IL 60070 from 9:30 A.M. until time of Funeral Mass at 10:30 A.M. Entombment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. In lieu of flowers a donation to a charity of your choice is appreciated. Info 847-581-0536 or www.colonialfuneral.com



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Verstraete, Florent H. "Red"

Florent H. "Red" Verstraete, age 82, of Morton Grove. Beloved husband of Yvonne "Kit," nee Held; dear father of Kristie (Michael) Schram, Kathleen (Maury) Dworkin, Vincent (Melissa) Verstraete, Renee (Gus) Gojney, and the late Florent "Cuz" Verstraete; loving grandfather of Nicole (Michael) Graham, Jonathon and Jessy Schram, Tommy and Andrew Verstraete, Zoey and Kylie Dworkin, April, Vinnie Jr., Blake and Michael Verstraete, Danielle (Kyle) Black, Megan (Eric) Gojney, and the late Christina Gojney and C.J. (Elise) Verstraete; cherished great-grandfather of six; fond brother of the late Martha (the late Ray) Prill and the late Rosina (the late Joe) Hlavaty. Visitation, Wednesday, April 25, 2018, from 3 to 9 p.m., at **HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory**, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral, Thursday, April 26, at 10:15 a.m., from the funeral home, for Mass, 10:30 a.m., at St. Peter Catholic Church, 8100 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Interment, Memory Gardens Cemetery, Arlington Heights. Funeral info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.



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Walsh, Elizabeth M.

Elizabeth M. Walsh (nee Kreuzkamp), Age 95, Born into Eternal Life on April 23, 2018. Cherished daughter of the late Mary and August Kreuzkamp. Beloved wife of the late Austin J. Walsh. Loving mother of Mary (Jim) McAloon, Katherine Beckett, Patricia Walsh (Janos Szebedinszky), Austin (Lisa), and Stephen (Deborah) Walsh. Dear grandmother of Beth (Tom) Dobry, Anne (Bryan) Carlson, Megan (Nicholas) Hoffman, Jimmy (Carly) McAloon; Claire Beckett (Peter Kvetko); Molly and Jodi Walsh; and Scott and David Walsh. Proud great-grandmother of Thomas and Mary Dobry, Nicholas and Emily Hoffman, and Marguerite Kvetko. Devoted sister of Lincoln (the late Barb), and the late August, George, and Paul Kreuzkamp. Dear sister-in-law of the late John and Bill Walsh, Mary Rafferty, and Dorothy Fox. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Former Executive Secretary for the City Colleges of Chicago. Family and friends will meet at Christ the King Church, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 on Friday morning for visitation 9:30am-10:30am. Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to Little City, 1760 W. Algonquin Road, Palatine, IL 60067 or LCM Hospice, 2800 W. 95th St., Evergreen Park, IL 60805 are most appreciated. Funeral Info: **Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors** 708-636-5500 or heeneyfh.com



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Wisdom, Hertha M.

Hertha M. Wisdom nee Donat, age 91, of Chicago, IL. Passed away on April 22, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Reginald Wisdom. Loving sister of Erma E. (Hans) Kuhnle. Dear aunt of William, Robert, Roger, John, Richard, Mary, Martha, and James Kuhnle. Fond great aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday, April 26, 2018, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Service Friday, April 27, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**. Interment Acacia Park Cemetery, Norridge, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in to: American Bible Society, P.O. Box 96812, Washington, D.C. 20090-6812. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

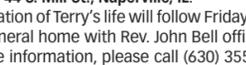


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Zayat, Theresa A. "Terry"

Theresa A. "Terry" Zayat (nee Caruso), a resident of Naperville, IL since 1985, formerly of Hillsdale, NJ, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at her home and is with our Lord, Jesus Christ. She was born January 20, 1947 in Englewood, NJ. Beloved wife of Richard J. "Richy" Zayat, whom she married January 25, 1975, loving mother of Jessica (Mike) Struyf of Lisle, IL and Jonathan (Rachel) Zayat of Palatine, IL, adored grandmother of Ella and Haylie Struyf, devoted daughter of the late Augustine and Ann Caruso, dear sister of Millie (Jimbo) Madden, Dominick (Jeanne) Caruso, Augustine "Augie" (Pat) Caruso and Annie Caruso, daughter-in-law of the late Teddy and Mary Zayat, fond cousin, aunt, great-aunt and friend of many.

Terry will always be remembered as "an original Jersey girl". She moved to Naperville in 1985 and was an active member of Grace Pointe Church including its women's bible study group. She volunteered at and was employed by Grace Pointe Church for many years as an office assistant. Terry enjoyed dancing, listening to music, cooking, Bible study and spending time with her family. Memorial Visitation Friday, April 27, 2018, 4:00-7:00 PM at **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville, IL. A celebration of Terry's life will follow Friday, 7:00 PM in the funeral home with Rev. John Bell officiating. For more information, please call (630) 355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com



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TO: Sylvester Keith Susie Keith Jeff Kemp Shanna Nelson Caine Washington Angela Young John Henry Sledge Rosa Hawkins Kailey Cannon Todd Hopson Devin Reed Richard Keith Unknown Heirs and Devisees of Sylvester Keith and Susie Keith City of Chicago c/o City Clerk City of Chicago c/o Corporation Counsel City of Chicago c/o Department of Buildings County Clerk of COOK County, Illinois Unknown Occupants; spouses, heirs at law, devisees, if any, of the above mentioned persons, described as Unknown Owners; claimants, decree creditors, judgment creditors, if any, of the above, described as Unknown Owners; Unknown Owners or parties interested in said land or lots. NOTICE TO OWNERS AND OCCUPANTS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD003292 FILED: April 16, 2018 TAKE NOTICE County of COOK Date Premises Sold August 5, 2015 Certificate No. 13-0011392 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. None THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 5811 S. Aberdeen St., Chicago, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-17-226-018-0000, Volume 423 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 August 2, 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 subse-quenty 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 August 2, 2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County, in Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., 1704, Chicago, IL 60602 on September 10, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already hve 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 August 2, 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: 312-603-6345 US BK CUST PROCAP4&CRDTRS Purchaser or Assignee Dated April 16, 2018 Pub: 4/24, 25, 26/2018 5570506

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DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

Cool customer Pace won't show his hand

Ryan Pace could have endorsed his favorite hair product Tuesday at Halas Hall and, despite the convincing well-coiffed evidence on display, nobody would have dared to believe anything the Bears general manager said.

A year ago in the same setting, fulfilling a league-mandated media session the week of the NFL draft, Pace extolled the virtues of a quarterback the Bears eyed at No. 3 who had elevated his college program — which described national championship-winning Deshaun Watson of Clemson. Then Pace traded up to the No. 2 position and drafted Mitch Trubisky, who started all of 13 games in college for a North Carolina team he carried to the, um, Sun Bowl.

Nothing Pace uttered in 15 minutes behind the microphones revealed the player he will prefer when the Bears pick eighth Thursday night, not that anyone expected him to share much more than a smile and some pleasantries. Still, the insight available by the way Pace answered questions without actually answering them provided a valuable glimpse into an executive still with much to prove.

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BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

Second round a place Pace can make gains

With little time elapsed between the Bears' spending spree in free agency and the annual owners meeting last month, general manager Ryan Pace was fresh off making some major acquisitions.

As he talked about the work that went into the significant additions to the roster, Pace made it clear his focus was on what was ahead.

"We have to nail the draft," he said. Sure, he was stating the obvious as the man who controls personnel decisions for an organization that has been mired too deep in free agency for a decade. The Bears were as aggressive as they ever have been in the March shopping season, paying a premium to sign wide receivers Allen Robinson and Taylor Gabriel and tight end Trey Burton, among others.

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OPENING SHOT

Steve Rosenbloom

Ryan Pace said he has eight players he's comfortable drafting in the first round Thursday. The Bears hold the eighth pick. What were the odds? More Rosenbloom, **Page 2**



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Time the Bears would go on the clock Thursday if each team took its allotted 10 minutes. More coverage, **Back Page**

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Schwarber a driving force

His two HRs help potent Cubs offense slam Indians

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

CLEVELAND — The return to Progressive Field on Tuesday night didn't possess the same buzz as Game 7 of the World Series did 18 months ago, when the Cubs celebrated their first championship since 1908.

But even without the services of Kris Bryant or Anthony Rizzo hitting at full capacity, the Cubs played as if another trip to the Series could be on their menu.

Thanks to the dominance of Kyle Schwarber and resurgence of Ian Happ, the Cubs coasted to a 10-3 victory over the Indians.



TONY DEJAK/AP

Kyle Schwarber is greeted by Jason Heyward after hitting one of his homers Tuesday.

Under wet conditions that were colder than in their dramatic Game 7 victory here on Nov. 2, 2016, the Cubs provided plenty of offense without Bryant, who was held out of the lineup after getting beated with

a 96 mph pitch from the Rockies' German Marquez in the first inning of Sunday's 9-7 victory.

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Bloom not totally off ex-Bull Rose



K.C. JOHNSON
On the NBA

The commercial series was released so many knee surgeries ago — and its premise not initially realized — that it's easy to forget the intensity with which the memorable last line is delivered.

"I would die on that court," Rose said emphatically, genuinely, back in fall 2012. "Like, die."

The then-Bulls star added a head shake for emphasis as he spoke the climactic line in his shoe company's advertising campaign touting "The Return" from his April 2012 left ACL tear — a return that, at least for the 2012-13 season, never happened.

Rose's career always has been one of extremes.

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STEVE ROSENBLROOM

Pace can protect investment

Ryan Pace's first-round draft choice seems so obvious that I wouldn't be surprised to see him trade up to make it happen.

Yes, the Bears have a need at edge rusher — "need" is being charitable; more like a pending apocalypse — but more important is the need to protect quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

We went through this with Jay Cutler before we found out Cutler was the self-inflicted wound.

But the point remains solid and urgent, which is exactly why it isn't crazy to expect the Bears general manager to make a move to get Notre Dame guard Quenton Nelson, the consensus best lineman in the draft.

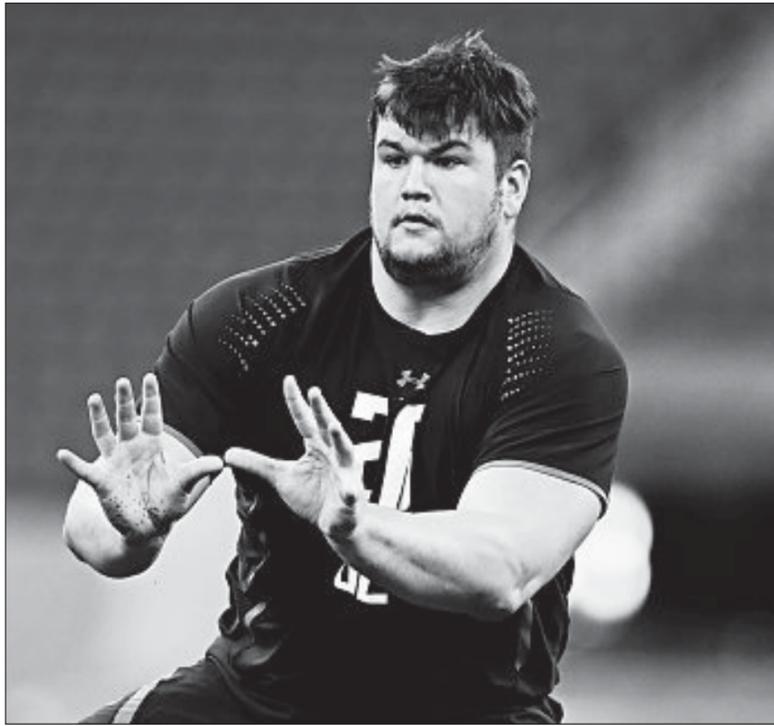
The Pro Football Weekly Draft Guide, authored by Greg Gabriel, who has spent more than three decades as an NFL scout and director of college scouting, describes Nelson as "a dominant run blocker and very good pass protector. Has excellent work habits and is a vocal team leader. Will be an immediate starter for the team that drafts him. ... Might be the best offensive lineman in this draft, but because he plays guard, he may not be the first lineman drafted."

If Pace agrees with that assessment, I expect him to move up from the eighth spot to make sure he gets a bodyguard for Trubisky on the interior of an offensive line that needs help.

Some observers think it's nuts to take a guard that high and crazier still to trade up to do it. But if the Pro Football Weekly scouting report and others play out, then Nelson will be a Pro Bowl-type player, a projection likely hastened under Harry Hiestand, the Bears' new offensive line coach who just coached Nelson as a three-year starter at Notre Dame.

Listen, the most valuable asset the Bears have is Trubisky. Pace's job is tied to it, and Pace has traded up in the first round in his last two drafts. That's why this scenario wouldn't surprise me. No, Pace doesn't appear to have the draft capital to make such a move again, but he also doesn't have the luxury of gambling that the interior of his offensive line won't kill the face of whatever future the Bears have. If it's true that it's all about the quarterback — and it is — then it continues to be all about the quarterback.

It certainly was all about the quarterback



DARRON CUMMINGS/AP

Quenton Nelson could be the answer at guard for the Bears, one worth trading up for.

with the hiring of former Chiefs play caller Matt Nagy and the quarterback incubator he created with his coaching staff.

It certainly was all about the quarterback in free agency. Pace made sure Trubisky has targets who resemble actual NFL pass catchers: wideout Allen Robinson, slot receiver Taylor Gabriel and tight end Trey Burton.

But here's the deal: Those targets won't matter if the Bears can't keep their quarterback upright.

Whatever it is that a first-round edge rusher can do, it's not nearly as important as keeping Trubisky healthy and able to throw.

The idea is for Trubisky to get rid of the ball quickly because that's the read, not because he's about to be buried.

The Bears don't care about making the playoffs this year or perhaps anytime soon. Neither Pace nor Nagy has said that's an

expectation this season, so I wouldn't be shocked if Pace moved up to snag Nelson to make sure the most important part of the franchise has the best chance of succeeding.

The Bears' sad and weak lack of playoff expectations also sounds like an argument for spending that high first-round pick on a defensive playmaker to start the learning curve for edge rusher Bradley Chubb, linebacker Roquan Smith, cornerback Denzel Ward or safety Minkah Fitzpatrick. I get that thinking: The Bears will need players like that and will need to fill those positions if and when they get around to saying they intend to compete.

But I also get this: They won't matter if Trubisky is in a body cast.

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ASK THE REPORTER PAUL SULLIVAN

Cubs thinning out Wrigley fan base

C Looks like Joe Maddon is going to make the same mistake with Ian Happ as he did with Kyle Schwarber in the leadoff position. Too many strikeouts. Also, try sitting in those Wrigley Field seats when you're 6-foot-7. And lastly, please tell someone to turn down the volume between innings. *Bob G.*

Looks like Albert Almora Jr. is taking the leadoff job and running with it, so I'm not sure about your speculation. I am not 6-7 by any stretch, but the "skinny seats" in Aisle 6 are still too cramped for me. I have told the Cubs to turn down the volume, repeatedly, to no avail. Feel free to tell them yourself.

Thanks for the article about the Wrigley Field renovations. One item missing from your list is public Wi-Fi. The Cubs said last year it was coming. Just before the home opener, they had a press release about a deal with Comcast. Still nothing resembling public Wi-Fi for the fans exists today. The only MLB stadiums without public Wi-Fi are Wrigley Field (Cubs), Globe Life (Rangers), Oriole Park (Orioles) and maybe Miller Park (Brewers). Feel free to shame the Cubs into getting Wi-Fi. The Giants had it back in 2004. *Ed*

The Cubs said in spring training the Wi-Fi at Wrigley will be "vastly improved" this season, so stay tuned. I would think this is something they are very interested in doing, as most other parks have decent Wi-Fi, as you said. Let's give them the benefit of the doubt.

I used to enjoy you. When did you stop writing contemporary sports stories? *Rich D.*

Hard to pinpoint the exact date, but sometime in late 1999.

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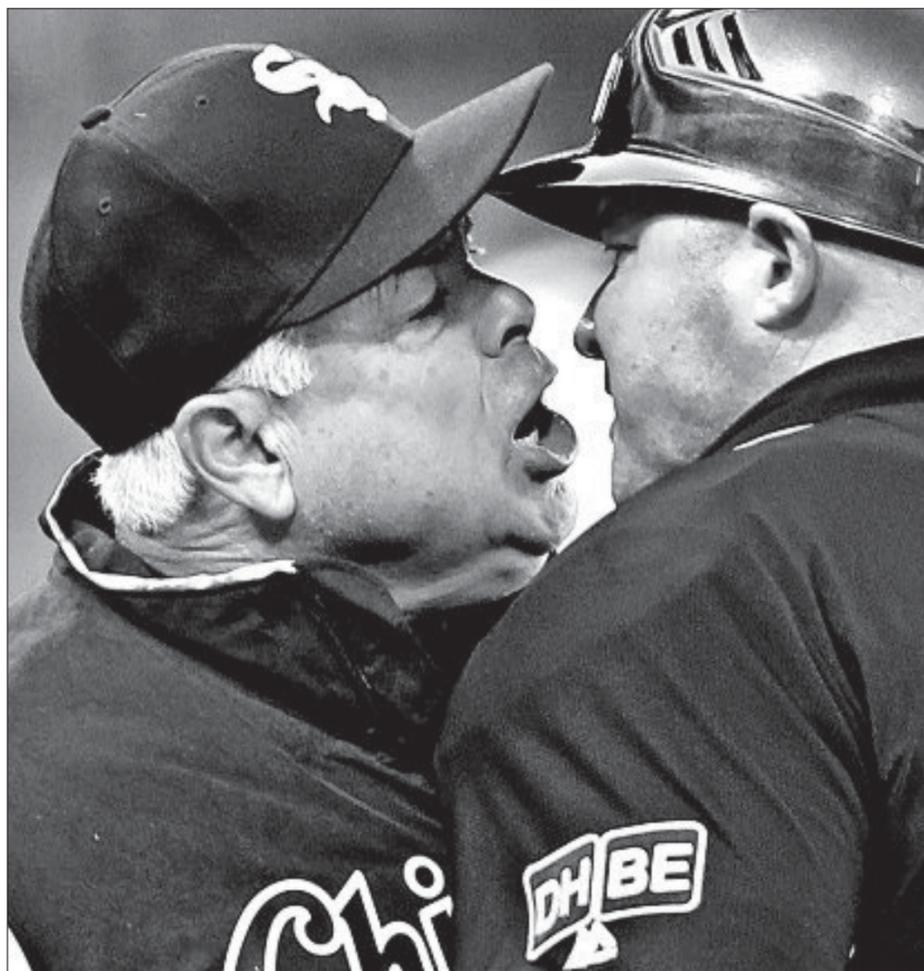
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MARINERS 1, WHITE SOX 0



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Rick Renteria has a spirited discussion with umpire Mike Estabrook, leading to the Sox manager's ejection.

A losing battle

Renteria gets tossed fighting for his guys, but Sox still go down

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Manager Rick Renteria is so popular among White Sox players for acting in their best interests, they call him their 26th man. Some of the Sox thought the Mariners also had a 26th man on the field Tuesday. Only he was wearing a chest protector under his black uniform.

Home-plate umpire Mike Estabrook employed a generous strike zone throughout the Mariners' 1-0 victory at Guaranteed Rate Field.

That was never more apparent than when designated hitter Matt Davidson dug in with two runners on and two outs in the sixth. The first two pitches from left-hander Marco Gonzales, which Davidson swung at for strikes, were borderline. The third, according to MLB Statcast and NBC Sports Chicago's Pitchcast, was outside and possibly below the knees.

"He had a big zone all day," Davidson said. "It's something you don't love, but it's also our part to adjust to. For the most part, it seemed like he was doing it for both sides."

"But in a big situation, in a 1-0 game, first and third, a ball that's clearly off ... it's just frustrating, especially being a guy trying to work on my plate discipline."

Davidson protested a bit, prompting Renteria to emerge from the dugout. He had not been ejected during the White Sox's unnerving 5-14 start, but Renteria was primed for a battle this time.

Estabrook appeared to warn him against arguing balls and

THE BOX SCORE					
SEATTLE	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Gordon cf	3	0	0	0	.295
Segura ss	4	0	0	0	.293
Cano 2b	4	0	1	0	.321
Cruz dh	4	0	0	0	.235
Seager 3b	4	1	2	0	.233
Haniger rf	4	0	1	1	.321
Gamel lf	4	0	1	0	.176
Zunino c	3	0	0	0	.125
Vogelbach 1b	2	0	0	0	.212
Romine 1b	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	32	1	5	1	

WHITE SOX					
AB	R	H	BI	AVG.	
Anderson ss	4	0	2	0	.267
Sanchez 3b	4	0	1	0	.290
Abreu 1b	4	0	0	0	.293
Castillo c	4	0	1	0	.250
Davidson dh	4	0	0	0	.197
Moncada 2b	3	0	1	0	.244
Thompson rf	3	0	0	0	.167
Garcia lf-cf	3	0	0	0	.184
Engel cf	2	0	0	0	.157
a-Delmonico ph-1b	1	0	0	0	.237
TOTALS	32	0	5	0	

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a-grounded out for Engel in the 7th. **E:** Seager 2 (4), Moncada (2). **LOB:** Seattle 6, WHITE SOX 6. **2B:** Seager (6), Moncada (6). **RBIs:** Haniger (24), CS: Gordon (2), Anderson (1), Engel (1). **SO:** Segura (1), Haniger (3), Gamel (1), Anderson (1), Sanchez (1), Abreu (1), Davidson (4), Moncada (1), Thompson (2), Garcia (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** Seattle 3 (Gordon 2, Vogelbach); Chicago 5 (Davidson, Garcia, Delmonico). **RISP:** Seattle 1 for 4; WHITE SOX 0 for 6. **GIDP:** Abreu. **DP:** Seattle 1 (Seager, Cano, Vogelbach).

SEATTLE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gonzales, W-2-2	6	5	0	0	1	8	4.37
Altavilla, H, 4	2/3	0	0	0	0	1	3.18
Rzepczynski, H, 3	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	9.00
Nicasio, H, 8	1	0	0	0	1	4	4.22
Diaz, S-9-9	1	0	0	0	2	0	0.79
WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Volstad, L-0-1	4 1/3	3	1	1	0	3	3.75
Santiago	3 1/3	2	0	0	1	1	3.38
Jones	1 1/3	0	0	0	0	1	1.04

Gonzales pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Altavilla 1-0, Rzepczynski 1-0. **HBP:** Volstad (Gordon). **WP:** Gonzales. **Umpires:** H, Mike Estabrook; 1B, Alfonso Marquez; 2B, Bruce Dreckman; 3B, Chad Fairchild. **Time:** 2:52. **A:** 10,761 (40,615).

HOW THEY SCORED

MARINERS FOURTH: Cano grounded out. Cruz flied out. Seager doubled. Haniger singled, scoring Seager. Gamel grounded out. **One run. Mariners 1-0.**

strikes, but Renteria didn't back down and was ejected for the 15th time in his managerial career. Then he went nose-to-nose with Estabrook, saying far more at the time than he would reveal after the game.

"I don't want to get into that," Renteria said, "but the young man (Davidson) is not very vocal. He lets those (umpires) do their job. He was expressing himself in a very calm fashion and I didn't want it to escalate."

Davidson appreciated the support, saying: "He backs us 100 percent. It feels good to have a

manager who will do that for you. We all love him and so do I."

Chris Volstad echoed that, saying: "Every second, every minute we're here, he's the 26th. He's right there with us, so we all know that."

Volstad was put in a tricky spot after the game, asked to comment on Estabrook's zone.

A pitcher never will complain about a wide zone, even if his next-of-kin is getting rung up.

"I'm out there trying to throw the same pitches that the other guy is trying to throw," Volstad said. "It happens sometimes."

Volstad and Hector Santiago combined to throw 7 2/3 quality innings in a "bullpen day," helped in part by Estabrook and the game's 4:10 p.m. first pitch.

"The shadows," Volstad said, "were nice."

Though not for the hitters. "It was tough," Davidson said. "At 4 o'clock, BP for night games, we have little shadows. So coming in we knew we'd try to get a pitch early (in the count) and do something with it."

The Sox managed just four singles and a double as they were shut out for the fourth time this season.

"You saw both teams struggle," Davidson said. "But a bad call, like anything else, it's something that's going to happen. We're going to make errors. We're going to strike out. We're all human."

The Sox's No. 5 hitter had a rough one Tuesday, striking out in all four plate appearances.

"We've had bad (strike) zones since T-ball," he said. "It's nothing new. It's not an excuse really to complain about a bad call because it's going to happen again. It might happen tomorrow. It's just part of the game."

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WHITE SOX NOTES

Garcia DL stint gives Palka his shot

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Avisail Garcia will miss at least 10 days with a strained right hamstring. The White Sox hope it won't be more.

"It's considered mild to moderate," manager **Rick Renteria** said. "We're hoping it's not a long, extended DL stint. I don't see it that way."

Garcia needed help to exit the field Monday night after coming up lame while sprinting to first base on a groundout. Outfielder **Trayce Thompson** replaced him, and the Sox called up **Daniel Palka** from Triple-A Charlotte on Tuesday.

The left-handed Palka was hitting .286 with three homers in 63 at-bats. A former third-round pick by the Diamondbacks out of Georgia Tech, Palka looks to make his major-league debut at age 26. At 6-2, 220 pounds and barrel-chested, the outfielder-first baseman has what scouts call "plus" power but is not known for his defense.

UP NEXT
Mariners (Hernandez 2-2, 5.06) at **White Sox** (Shields 1-2, 6.17) 1:10 p.m. Wednesday, NBCSCH

He figures to see action mainly as a designated hitter and pinch hitter.

"He had a nice showing in the spring," Renteria said. "Obviously comes with a lot of power — maybe we can take advantage of that a little bit."

Palka, who also played in the Twins organization, said he likes "everything" about the Sox: "These guys have a grinding mentality. It's a lot different than a lot of other organizations; you could tell in spring training. It's one of those 'bring your lunch pail to work' environments."

Waiting game: Palka has seen the future. And the future is right-hander **Michael Kopech**.

"He looks awesome," Palka said, calling Kopech's stuff "dominant."

Kopech, who turns 22 on

Monday, has made three starts for Charlotte, allowing four earned runs over 15 innings with 21 strikeouts and five walks.

The Sox need an extra starter for their day-night doubleheader Saturday in Kansas City, but management has given no indication Kopech will be elevated.

Afternoon delight: The Sox hoped fans would cut short their work day to watch their favorite team play on a gorgeous spring day. Hence the 4:10 p.m. start. The paid attendance was just 10,761, short of the official 13,614 Monday night.

Asked before the game for his take on the late-afternoon start, Renteria replied: "I will give you my genuinely honest opinion once the game is over — win, lose or draw."

He didn't have a strong opinion afterward.

"Was it a little bit more difficult (for hitters) to see in that time slot?" he said. "Probably, but both clubs had the same thing to deal with."

CUBS 10, INDIANS 3

CUBS NOTES

Schwarber thumps, so farewell to slumps

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

CLEVELAND — Manager **Joe Maddon** likened **Kyle Schwarber's** miserable 2017 season to a "sophomore slump" even though the Cubs' resurgent slugger was in his third season.

"They adjusted to him," Maddon said Tuesday night. "Now he's adjusting back."

Schwarber continued his renaissance at Progressive Field — the site of one of his most impressive achievements during the 2016 World Series, when he returned after missing more than six months because of left knee surgery and batted .412.

Schwarber smacked home runs in his first two at-bats against **Josh Tomlin** to increase his season total to six while raising his average above the .300 mark.

"I'm seeing those adjustments right now," Maddon said. "I think he's going to be (better)."

Maddon is encouraged that Schwarber has been demonstrating his ability to hit to all fields, although both of his homers off Tomlin were pulled toward right field.

"They can't attack the same spots," said Maddon, referring to the vulnerable areas that led to Schwarber's .211 average and 150 strikeouts in 422 at-bats in 2017.

That slump occurred after Schwarber missed all but two

UP NEXT

Cubs (Lester 2-0, 3.10) at **Indians** (Bauer 1-2, 2.67) 6:10 p.m. Wednesday, NBCSCH

games in 2016 because of two torn left knee ligaments following a promising 2015 rookie season. The subsequent injury slowed his development and cost him roughly 500 plate appearances.

Something fishy: Shortstop **Addison Russell** blamed a mislabeled dish at Sunday's postgame spread for his allergic reaction that forced a visit to the hospital.

"I thought it was lemon chicken, and it turned out to be shrimp," said Russell, who is allergic to shellfish.

Russell has known of his allergies since he was young and tries to be proactive.

"I was carried away on a gurney and treated by paramedics," he said. "In a couple of hours, I was fine."

Home away from home: Russell felt nostalgic in his return to Progressive Field, where the Cubs played for the first time since beating the Indians in Game 7 of the 2016 World Series.

"They replaced the carpet (in the clubhouse), which is nice," Russell said with a smile while recalling the wild, champagne-drenched postgame celebration.

"It's just a great memory."



TONY DEJAK/AP

Cubs starter Tyler Chatwood delivers a pitch in the first inning Tuesday against the Indians. Chatwood earned his first win as a Cub.

Cubs rock in Cleveland

Cubs, from Page 1

Bryant wasn't made available to reporters, but manager **Joe Maddon** said the third baseman was wearing a black T-shirt with the words "Chicago Tough" on the front. Bryant has remained in contact with team doctors and has not been ruled out of Wednesday night's series finale.

"He's not bouncy, but he's fine," Maddon said after Bryant took batting practice in the indoor cage.

From a power standpoint, Schwarber more than compensated for Bryant's loss with home runs in his first two at-bats. In seven games at Progressive Field — including four Series games — Schwarber is batting .500 (15-for-30) with one double, one triple, three home runs and six RBIs.

"I've always thought this was a good park to hit in," he said. "I just hit well here."

Schwarber admitted to reminiscing about the World Series but strictly as motivation.

"I don't think anyone in here doesn't think about it — I think about it all the time," said Schwarber, whose seven career homers as a designated hitter tops the Cubs. "That's that moment we all live for, and it's an addicting feeling. We want to get back there and do it, so we have to take it a step at a time."

Rizzo was jammed in each of his final two at-bats but managed to collect hits to raise his average to .170. Maddon seemed encouraged that Rizzo wasn't trying to hit home runs and that the Cubs carried out Maddon's philosophy to hit to all fields effectively.

"I hope that doesn't end until 2019 spring training," Maddon said. "We can work on it again. This is the approach we're looking for."

Happ is starting to rebound after an awful start. He collected his first three-hit game of the season and is 5-for-9 after a 0-for-8 rut that dropped his average to .204 and put him under the private tutelage of hitting coach **Chili Davis**. Happ's average has risen to .259.

"We're going to pick each other up," Schwarber said. "Rizzo doesn't have to be hot all the time or Kris doesn't have to be hot all the time. There are guys who can do that job."

THE BOX SCORE

CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Almora cf	5	1	1	1	.315
Baez 2b	5	1	2	1	.299
Rizzo 1b	5	1	2	1	.270
Contreras c	4	1	1	1	.274
La Stella 3b	5	0	1	2	.300
Schwarber dh	5	2	2	2	.302
Russell ss	5	1	1	0	.217
Hayward rf	4	1	2	0	.277
Happ lf	4	2	3	2	.259
TOTALS	42	10	15	10	

CLEVELAND	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Lindor ss	2	0	0	0	.218
Gonzalez ss	1	0	1	1	.222
Kipnis 2b	4	0	0	0	.165
Ramirez 3b	3	1	3	0	.266
Alonso 1b	4	0	0	0	.213
Encarnacion dh	4	0	1	1	.154
Naquin rf	2	0	1	0	.279
a-Guyer ph-rf	1	0	0	0	.125
Perez c	3	0	0	0	.154
Zimmer cf	4	2	3	0	.271
Davis lf	3	0	0	0	.176
TOTALS	31	3	9	3	

CUBS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Chatwood, W-1-3	6	4	1	1	5	5	3.74
Cishek	1	1	0	0	1	2	2.25
Wilson	1	2	1	0	0	0	6.59
Farrell	1	2	1	0	0	3	0.00
CLEVELAND	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Tomlin, L-0-3	3 1/3	7	5	5	0	3	9.24
Otero	1 1/3	0	0	0	0	3	4.15
Olson	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.86
McAllister	1	5	3	0	0	0	8.10
Goody	1	0	0	0	3	1	0.76
Bellisie	1	2	2	2	1	0	7.36

Chatwood pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Cishek 1-0. **WP:** Wilson, Bellisie. **Umpires:** H, Ted Barrett; 1B, Lance Barksdale; 2B, Will Little; 3B, Tom Woodring. **Time:** 3:00. **A:** 16,408 (35,225).

HOW THEY SCORED
CUBS SECOND: La Stella struck out. Schwarber homered. Russell doubled. Hayward flied out. Happ singled, scoring Russell. Almora Jr. popped out. **Two runs. Cubs 2-0.**
CUBS THIRD: Baez struck out. Rizzo grounded out. Contreras homered. La Stella lined out. **One run. Cubs 3-0.**
INDIANS THIRD: Zimmer singled. Davis walked. Zimmer to second. Lindor sacrificed. Zimmer to third. Davis to second. Kipnis grounded out, scoring Zimmer. Ramirez singled. Davis out at home. **One run. Cubs 3-1.**
CUBS FOURTH: Schwarber homered. Russell lined out. Hayward lined out. Happ homered. Otero pitching. Almora Jr. struck out. **Two runs. Cubs 5-1.**
CUBS SEVENTH: McAllister pitching. Hayward singled. Almora Jr. singled. Hayward to third. Almora Jr. to third. Contreras flied out. La Stella singled, scoring Almora Jr. Rizzo to third. Schwarber flied out. **Three runs. Cubs 8-1.**
INDIANS EIGHTH: Wilson pitching. Ramirez doubled. Alonso flied out. Ramirez to third on Wilson's wild pitch. Encarnacion singled, scoring Ramirez. Guey grounded into double play, Encarnacion out at second. **One run. Cubs 9-2.**
CUBS NINTH: Bellisie pitching. Baez doubled. Rizzo singled, scoring Baez. Contreras walked. Rizzo to second. Rizzo to third. Contreras to second on Bellisie's wild pitch. La Stella grounded out, scoring Rizzo. Contreras to third. Schwarber flied out. Russell grounded out. **Two runs. Cubs 10-2.**
INDIANS NINTH: Farrell pitching. Perez struck out. Zimmer singled. Zimmer to second on Happ's error. Davis struck out. **One run. Cubs 10-3.**

"I get the frustrations and everything like that. We all know Rizz is going to be right where he needs to be at the end of the year. "And let's say I start slumping. This team is going to pick me up. That's what this team is all about."

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BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

AMERICAN LEAGUE		2018 TEAM			2017 VS. OPP			
TEAM	PITCHER	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
Sea	Hernandez (R)	2-2	5.06	3-2	1-0	5.0	1.80	
Sox	Shields (R)	1-2	6.17	2-2	0-1	6.0	6.00	
LA	Trapeano (R)	1-1	3.75	1-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Hou	Verlander (R)	1:10p	3-0	1.10	4-1	2-1	21.0	1.71
Min	Lynn (R)	0-1	6.00	0-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	
NYY	Gray (R)	5:35p	0-1	8.27	1-3	0-1	6.0	6.00
TB	Faria (R)	1-1	5.82	1-3	1-0	22.0	4.00	
BAL	Cobb (R)	6:05p	0-2	1.54	0-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Bos	Rodriguez (L)	2-0	3.45	3-0	0-0	12.1	3.65	
Tor	Sanchez (R)	6:07p	1-2	3.86	1-3	0-1	4.0	6.75
Oak	Graveman (R)	0-4	10.07	1-4	3-0	27.2	2.28	
Tex	Fister (R)	7:05p	1-2	3.95	1-2	0-1	4.0	13.50
INTERLEAGUE		2018 TEAM			2017 VS. OPP			
TEAM	PITCHER	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
Cubs	Lester (L)	2-0	3.10	4-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Cle	Bauer (R)	1-2	2.67	1-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Pit	TBD	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Pit	TBD	3:05p	0-0	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Det	Boyd (L)	0-1	1.40	1-2	0-1	4.0	11.25	
Pit	Tailford (R)	6:05p	2-1	2.86	3-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
Mil	Anderson (R)	2-1	3.25	4-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	
KC	Hammel (R)	7:15p	0-1	3.20	0-4	0-0	0.0	0.00
NATIONAL LEAGUE		2018 TEAM			2017 VS. OPP			
TEAM	PITCHER	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
SD	Ross (R)	2-1	2.81	3-1	2-0	0.0	0.00	
Col	Gray (R)	1-4	6.75	1-4	0-0	17.0	2.65	
Was	Scherzer (R)	4-1	1.36	4-1	1-0	16.0	1.69	
SF	Samarzija (R)	2:45p	1-0	0.00	1-0	0-2	10.0	5.40
Ari	Wisler (R)	1-0	1.29	1-0	0-0	4.0	0.00	
Cin	Finnegan (L)	5:40p	0-2	11.05	0-2	0-0	0.0	0.00
Ari	Greinke (R)	2-1	4.13	2-2	1-0	5.0	1.80	
Phi	Arrieta (R)	6:05p	2-0	2.04	2-1	1-1	13.0	1.38
Mia	Richards (R)	0-2	6.16	1-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	
LA	Kershaw (L)	6:35p	1-3	2.45	2-3	0-0	0.0	0.00
NY	Matz (L)	1-1	4.42	3-1	0-1	4.1	10.38	
STL	Wacha (R)	7:15p	3-1	4.22	3-1	1-0	9.0	0.00

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Seattle 1, WHITE SOX 0
Cubs 10, CLEVELAND 3
N.Y. YANKEES 8, Minnesota 3
TORONTO 4, Boston 3 (10)
CINCINNATI 9, Atlanta 7 (12)
Arizona 8, PHILADELPHIA 4
Milwaukee 5, KANSAS CITY 2
Oakland 3, TEXAS 2
N.Y. Mets 6, ST. LOUIS 5 (10)
SD 13, HOUSTON 7
COLORADO 5, San Diego 0
SAN FRANCISCO 4, Washington 3
Miami 3, L.A. DODGERS 2
Detroit at Pittsburgh, p.p.d.
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, p.p.d.

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE
Milwaukee at Cubs, 7:05
White Sox at Kansas City, 7:15
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 11:35 a.m.

Detroit at Pittsburgh, 11:35 a.m.
 Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, 12:05
 Arizona at Philadelphia, 12:05
 N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, 12:15
 Seattle at Cleveland, 5:10
 Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 6:05
 Boston at Toronto, 6:07

MONDAY'S RESULTS
WHITE SOX 10, Seattle 4
Cleveland 2, BALTIMORE 1
CINCINNATI 10, Atlanta 4
N.Y. YANKEES 14, Minnesota 1
LA, Angels 2, HOUSTON 0
Oakland 9, TEXAS 4
SAN DIEGO 13, COLORADO 5
SAN FRANCISCO 4, Washington 2
LA DODGERS 2, Miami 1
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NL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
Cabrera NYM	21	83	16	29	.349
Pham STL	20	69	19	24	.348
Arenado COL	20	70	11	24	.343
Herrera Phi	21	79	12	26	.329
Grandal LAD	18	67	11	22	.328
Hoskins Phi	22	67	12	22	.328
Swanson Atl	21	86	13	28	.326
Martinez STL	22	81	7	26	.321
Upton CHC	19	69	12	21	.319
Cain Mil	22	79	16	25	.316

AL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
Lowrie Oak	24	102	13	37	.363
Trout LA	23	89	13	32	.360
Beltré NY	20	75	23	26	.347
Brady NY	19	75	16	25	.333
Leon C	20	75	16	25	.333
Morland ph	1	0	0	0	.341
Vazquez c	0	0	0	0	.211
Pillar c	1	0	0	0	.301
Travis 2b	4	1	0	0	.130
TOTALS	37	3	9	3	.289

Yankees 8, Twins 3

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Dozier 2b	4	0	0	0	.291
Kepner rf-ef	4	1	1	1	.263
Ramirez 1b	3	2	0	0	.191
Escobar 3b	3	1	3	1	.293
Rosario lf	4	0	0	0	.232
Garver c	4	0	0	0	.210
Gonzalez 1b	2	0	0	0	.020
Grossman rf	1	0	0	0	.008
Madraza ss	4	0	0	0	.208
LaMahieu cf	2	0	0	0	.421
Tucker ph-1b	1	0	0	0	.293
TOTALS	32	3	5	1	

SEASON'S WEATHER POSTPONEMENTS
THURSDAY, MARCH 29
 Pittsburgh at Detroit
 Washington at Cincinnati

SATURDAY, MARCH 31
 Pittsburgh at Detroit

SUNDAY, APRIL 1
 Chi White Sox at Kansas City

MONDAY, APRIL 2
 Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees
 Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets

TUESDAY, APRIL 3
 Chi Cubs at Cincinnati

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4
 Kansas City at Detroit

FRIDAY, APRIL 6
 L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco

SATURDAY, APRIL 8
 Seattle at Minnesota

MONDAY, APRIL 9
 Pittsburgh at Chi Cubs

FRIDAY, APRIL 13
 Chi White Sox at Minnesota

SATURDAY, APRIL 14
 N.Y. Yankees at Detroit
 Chi White Sox at Minnesota
 Toronto at Cleveland

SUNDAY, APRIL 15
 Pittsburgh at Cleveland
 N.Y. Yankees at Detroit
 Chi White Sox at Minnesota
 L.A. Angels at Kansas City
 Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets

MONDAY, APRIL 16
 Baltimore at Boston
 St. Louis at Chi Cubs
 Kansas City at Toronto

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18
 St. Louis at Chi Cubs

SUNDAY, APRIL 22
 N.Y. Mets at Atlanta

TUESDAY, APRIL 24
 Tampa Bay at Baltimore
 Detroit at Pittsburgh

APRIL 21 AT N.Y. YANKEES
 April 2 at Baltimore
 April 9, 2016 at Baltimore

Mets 6, Cardinals 5 (10)

NY METS	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Conforto cf	2	1	0	0	.204
Cespedes lf	5	1	1	3	.195
Cabrera 2b	4	0	1	0	.349
Reyes pf-2b	0	0	0	0	.125
Frazier 3b	3	2	1	0	.261
Bruce rf	5	1	3	2	.222
Gonzalez 1b	3	0	0	0	.000
Rosario ss	3	2	0	0	.338
Nido c	4	0	0	0	.133
Wheeler p	0	0	0	0	.400
e Flores ph	0	0	0	0	.263
Harvey p	0	0	0	0	.333
Lagares ph	1	0	0	0	.367
Seiwald p	1	0	0	0	.000
Nimmo ph	1	0	0	0	.318
TOTALS	33	6	6	6	

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

Brewers 5, Royals 2

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Cain cf	3	2	2	1	.316
Jeffress lf	5	0	1	0	.319
Braun dh	3	1	2	1	.299
Shaw 3b	3	1	2	0	.231
Santana rf	3	0	0	0	.234
Thames 1b	4	0	1	0	.250
Aguiar lf	0	0	0	0	.429
Pina c	4	0	0	0	.194
Villar 2b	3	0	0	0	.250
Sogard ss	2	0	0	0	.146
TOTALS	34	5	12	5	

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

Rockies 8, Padres 0

SAN DIEGO	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Margot cf	4	0	0	0	.143
Cordero lf	4	0	0	0	.234
Myers rf	3	0	0	0	.310
Maton p	0	0	0	0	.000
Asuaje ph	3	1	0	0	.224
Pirela 2b	3	0	1	0	.262
Headley 1b	4	0	0	0	.088
Gedves ss	3	0	0	0	.236
Spanenberg 3b	3	0	0	0	.200
Halliday c	2	0	0	0	.152
Ellis c	0	0	0	0	.000
Lauer p	1	0	1	0	1.000
Upton ph	1	0	0	0	.302
Tzucur lf	1	0	0	0	.292
SZZARS	30	0	4	0	

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

Miami 3, Dodgers 2

MIAMI	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Dietrich lf	4	1	1	0	.247
Rivera ss	0	0	0	0	.118
Realtino c	4	0	1	1	.400
Castro 2b	4	1	1	0	.393
Uley ph	1	0	0	0	.241
Anderson 3b	4	1	1	0	.256
Adams ph	1	0	0	0	.189
Taylor cf	4	1	1	0	.220
Sanchez 2b	2	0	0	0	.000
Pease c	2	0	0	0	.280
Severino c	3	0	1	0	.275
Roark p	1	0	0	0	.091
Engel lf	1	0	0	0	.200
Kintzler p	1	0	0	0	.211
Madsen p	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	30	3	6	3	

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

Washington 4, Nationals 3

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Turner ss	4	0	0	0	.232
Kendrick 2b	3	0	2	0	.277
Harper rf	3	0	0	0	.257
Zimmerman 1b	3	1	0	0	.188
Adson c	3	0	0	0	.211
Adams ph	1	0	0	0	.189
Taylor cf	4	1	1	0	.220
Sanchez 2b	2	0	0	0	.000
Upton 1b	2	0	0	0	.280
Severino c	3	0	1	0	.275
Roark p	1	0	0	0	.091
Engel lf	1	0	0	0	.200
Kintzler p	1	0	0	0	.211
Madsen p	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	30	4	7	3	

RECENT RIPPED PPD.
 April 16 at Boston
 Sept. 6, 2017 vs. N.Y. Yankees

AMERICAN LEAGUE

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	12	9	.571	—	6-4	L-1	6-3	6-6
Detroit	9	11	.450	2½	5-5	L-1	6-7	3-4
Minnesota	8	10	.444	2½	4-6	L-5	5-3	3-7
WHITE SOX	5	15</						

NHL AND NBA

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

A 2nd shot at Game 7

Maple Leafs draw even in series but know last step will be toughest

BY JIMMY GOLEN
Associated Press

BOSTON — This is where the Maple Leafs try to change the ending.

After beating the Bruins in back-to-back elimination games to force their first-round playoff series to the limit — just like they did in 2013 — the Leafs are hoping to finish the job Wednesday in Boston in Game 7.

That's something they couldn't do five years ago, when they became the first team in NHL

history to blow a three-goal, third-period lead and lose a Stanley Cup playoff game.

"We've got some more work to do," said goalie Frederik Andersen, who stopped 32 of 33 shots in Game 6 on Monday to help the Leafs win 3-1 and prolong their season.

"It's the same kind of pressure we've felt these last two games, where we've been facing elimination," he said. "Game 7 should be the same. It's something that you all dream of — those big moments — and you also want to perform."

So do the Bruins, who have struggled to put away the Leafs for the second consecutive time. In 2013, the Maple Leafs won two straight and then opened a 4-1 lead

in the third period of Game 7, but the Bruins scored a pair of goals 31 seconds apart in the final 2 minutes of regulation before winning in overtime.

Patrice Bergeron, who scored the game-winner, is one of seven Bruins remaining from that team, compared with four players wearing Leafs jerseys.

"It's nice to have those guys," Bruins forward David Pastrnak said. "They've been here a bunch, so they know what to expect. It's good for our young guys to have them around."

"I don't think there's any panic at all in this group," Bruins coach Bruce Cassidy said.

The Maple Leafs feel the same way.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Sixers celebrate, advance past Heat

Associated Press

Joel Embiid and Ben Simmons starred again in front of rapper Meek Mill, and the dominant duo ushered the nightmares-into-dreams process of the 76ers into the second round Tuesday night with a 104-91 win over the Heat in Philadelphia.

The 76ers, winners of 10 games just two seasons ago, are in the second round of the Eastern Conference playoffs for the first time since 2012, when they upset the top-seeded Bulls.

They await the winner of the Bucks-Celtics series.

The 76ers won the series 4-1 and turned the Wells Fargo Center into the wildest house party in the city. Embiid had 19 points and 12 rebounds and Simmons had 14 points and 10 boards, and the entire team had rappers, politicians, actors and kids dancing along for the ride.

Mill made a dramatic return hours after Pennsylvania's highest court ordered him freed while he appeals decade-old gun and drug convictions.

He was taken from prison by helicopter to Philadelphia, where he rang the ceremonial bell at the start of Game 5.

The 76ers outscored the Heat by 14 in the third quarter to snap a tie game.

Goran Dragic was whistled for a technical after slapping Simmons on the back of his head, and that got the crowd howling early in the third. Simmons and the 76ers made the Heat pay.

J.J. Redick sank the free throw off the technical, and Simmons kicked the ball out to Robert Covington on the next possession for a 3 and a 54-48 lead. Redick followed with his third 3.

Celtics 92, Bucks 87: Al Horford had 22 points and 14 rebounds and Marcus Smart made an impact in his first game since mid-March as the host Celtics took a 3-2 lead in their first-round playoff series.

Smart came off the bench and had nine points, five rebounds, four assists and three blocks in his first game since undergoing right thumb surgery. He played 25 minutes wearing a protective splint and had a key assist late from the bottom of a scrum beneath three Bucks players.

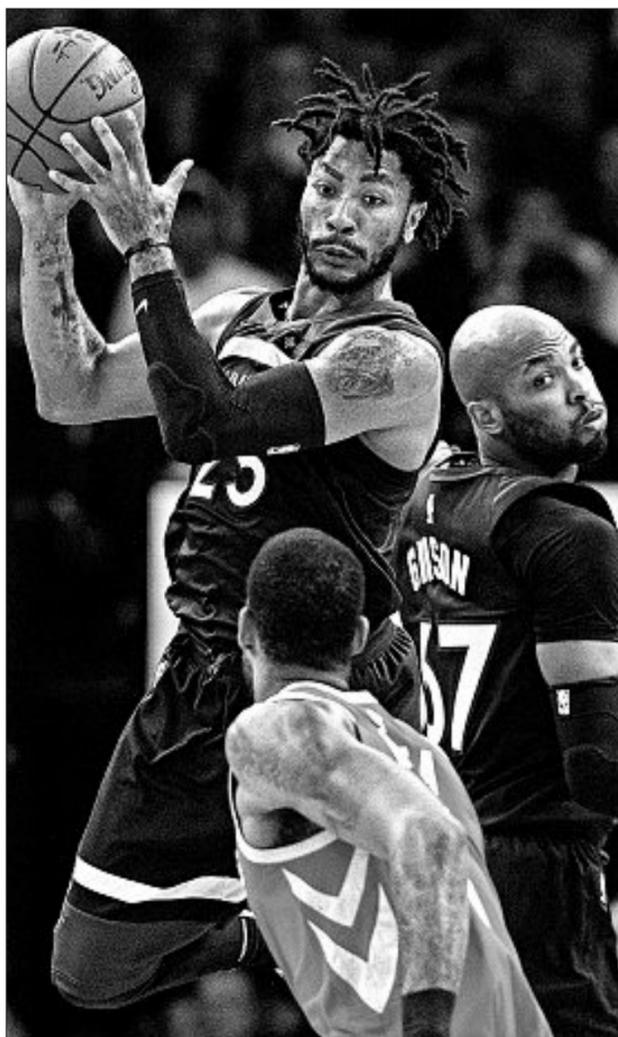
Terry Rozier added 16 points and five assists for the Celtics.

Khris Middleton led the Bucks with 23 points, Jabari Parker added 17 points and eight rebounds and Giannis Antetokounmpo had a series-low 16 points with 10 rebounds and nine assists.

The Bucks got within 87-84 after a layup by Eric Bledsoe, but the Celtics hit enough free throws the rest of the way to secure the win.

The Bucks entered the game shooting an NBA playoff-best 54 percent from the field, but they hit just 37 percent for the game (32 of 87).

Hill 1ffy: Cavaliers starting point guard George Hill is questionable to play in Wednesday's Game 5 against the Pacers. Hill has been dealing with back spasms since he was injured on an illegal screen by Pacers forward Trevor Booker in Game 1.



CARLOS GONZALEZ/MINNEAPOLIS STAR TRIBUNE

Former Bulls guard Derrick Rose is averaging 14.8 points on 52 percent shooting in 23.8 minutes in the Timberwolves' four playoff games

Bloom not totally off ex-Bull Rose

Johnson, from Page 1

And so it is again as Rose blasted downcourt with fearlessness and ferocity Monday night in Minneapolis, briefly the best player on a court that featured presumptive MVP James Harden and Rose's All-NBA Timberwolves teammate, Jimmy Butler.

You can't go AWOL from your team twice in two seasons as Rose did — one of them unexcused — without damaging credibility about commitment to the game. Nevertheless, here Rose is, back on a grand stage, showing flashes of that rare combination of strength and speed that defined his almost-too-good-to-be-true ascension and threatened to revolutionize the game before the full-on shift to 3-point shooting.

Perhaps just as important, Rose is coming up big in the quieter moments.

Despite Rose not signing with the team until March 8, Timberwolves insiders say he was as genuinely excited as anybody when the franchise ended its 13-year playoff drought by defeating the Nuggets in overtime on the regular-season's final day. That's how happy Rose was to return to the postseason for the first time since he and Butler did their odd, passive-aggressive dance in June 2015 as LeBron James, this time with the Cavaliers, ended another Bulls season in Tom Thibodeau's final game as Bulls coach.

In the locker room, Rose is a respected and respectful teammate again. The familiar embrace of Thibodeau, who always has had Rose's back, doesn't hurt.

Rose will be an unrestricted free agent for the second straight offseason. His first foray failed to produce the interest and financial windfall that he oddly alluded to in unsolicited fashion at Bulls media day in September 2015, a full 21 months early.

When Rose signed a one-year,

\$2.1 million deal to team with the same James who denied Rose's Bulls teams so many times, he did so in large part to chase a championship. Instead, Rose developed bone spurs in his ankle and left the Cavaliers to contemplate his future.

Unlike when he did so to attend to a personal matter in 2016-17 with the Knicks, at least this time Rose's absence was excused.

Rose returned to the Cavaliers — and the rotation — in mid-January, only to get traded to the Jazz a month later when Cleveland reshaped its team at the trade deadline. The Jazz waived Rose, who was out of the league until Thibodeau came calling.

During his forced — as opposed to self-imposed — exile, video of Rose shooting short, one-handed jumpers with a nondescript rebounder at Cleveland State surfaced. Befitting the extremes — and polarizing reactions — that Rose's career has produced, some people viewed the workout as pathetic. Others opted for perseverance.

Rose is averaging 14.8 points on 52 percent shooting in 23.8 minutes in the Timberwolves' four playoff games against the top-seeded Rockets. Despite knocking down 5 of 7 3-point attempts in this series, Rose is a career 29.6 percent 3-point shooter. And he doesn't get to the free-throw line consistently anymore, averaging, at 1.8 attempts — 5.1 fewer than in his 2010-11 MVP season.

But given the widespread love on social media Monday night, from former teammates to foes, it's clear many people are pulling for Rose. And his play in this series should give him a job opportunity next season, putting the decision about whether he returns back in his hands.

For all he has endured physically, he at least deserves that.

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SPORTS



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Phillips has won two state football titles under coach Troy McAllister, whose work earned him the 2018 Gatorade Excellence Award.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

State titles bringing national recognition

Phillips football coach McAllister recipient of Gatorade award

BY MIKE CLARK
Chicago Tribune

Troy McAllister is pretty good at the X's and O's of football, as he has shown by leading Phillips to the only two state football titles in Chicago Public League history.

But what happens on the field is just part of the reason McAllister was honored Tuesday as one of two national winners of the Gatorade Coaching Excellence Award.

McAllister will get a trip to the ESPYs in Los Angeles in July, another recognition of his team's journey from that day in 2010 when only 12 players showed up for his first practice as Phillips coach. To go from there to two state titles in the last three seasons, with more than 40 freshmen in the program and 50 on the varsity, took more than a focus on football strategy.

Part of it is attitude. "McAllister is serious, so we have to be too and not let him down," junior receiver/defensive back Joseph Thompson said.

That includes off the field as well as on it.

"In the summertime, after practice, he's always telling us to stay safe and just think about what we're doing before we do it," Thompson said. "It's really easy to get into trouble with the bad influences around us."

Said senior quarterback J'Bore Gibbs: "His push is in the classroom first, and then from the classroom to the field."

One perk of getting all A's and B's? A break from conditioning, which Gibbs called a powerful motivator.

"Nobody wants to run after practice," he said.

McAllister's own drive comes

from pushing the Wildcats to greater heights. A Class 3A school by enrollment last fall, Phillips played two classes up and beat Dunlap 33-7 in the 5A title game. Included among the Wildcats' regular-season wins was one over eventual 8A runner-up Loyola in the opener.

Next season, Phillips plans to play in Class 6A.

"Sometimes in coaching you start (to deal with) the monotony of it," McAllister said. "When you have a new challenge, it pushes you forward."

It's all part of his long-term plan, which is to chase titles in every class from 4A through 8A. The Wildcats won the 4A championship in 2015.

"That's a long way off and things have to fall into place," McAllister said. "But we want to keep challenging the young men and raising the bar."

Recruiters are also becoming increasingly aware of Phillips. Coaches from Ohio State, Auburn, Florida, Iowa State, Air Force and Penn are among the recent visitors to workouts, and five returning players have Division I offers.

Gibbs also is college-bound, having signed with South Dakota State. And he's not going only for the football.

"We understand that football won't last forever," Gibbs said. "We understand the cleats have to be put on the shelf one day. ... But (by) getting those offers we can at least go to college and get a free education."

And that's McAllister's main goal, even more than state trophies.

"When you put the right people in place, great things can happen," he said. "I'm talking about our football staff and our teaching staff. We put the young men in the right place to be successful."

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IN BRIEF COLLEGES

MSU kept ties to area coach accused of sexual abuse

Tribune news services

Michigan State, already reeling from the scandal involving gymnastics doctor Larry Nassar who molested young athletes, maintained ties to prominent Chicago-area club volleyball coach Rick Butler long after he was publicly accused in 1995 of sexually abusing and raping six underage girls he trained in the 1980s, the Associated Press reported Tuesday.

Advocates for the accusers revealed the school has been under pressure for at least a year to sever its relationship with Butler, whose training facilities in Aurora have been a pipeline for top volleyball recruits to major college programs, including Michigan State.

Butler's accusers allege that he threatened to use his national influence to thwart their college prospects if they didn't accept his advances.

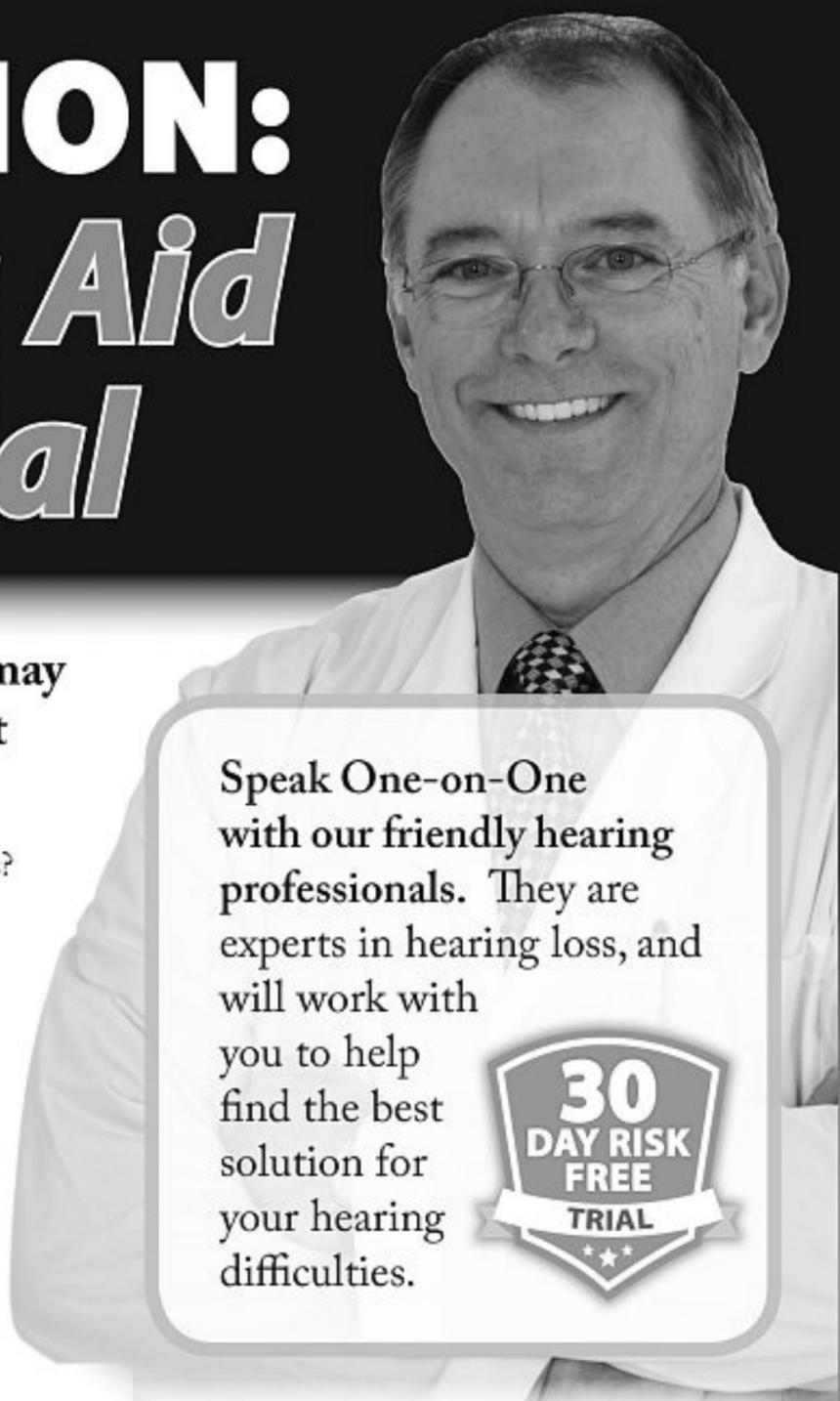
USA Volleyball in December banned Butler from its events for life, and the AAU stripped him of his membership this year.

■ Former Illinois PG TeJon Lucas announced on Twitter that he will transfer to Milwaukee. Lucas, a Milwaukee native who averaged 5.7 points, 3.2 assists and 2.3 rebounds as a sophomore last season, will sit out next season and then have two years of eligibility remaining. ... Three-star S Kyle Hamilton of Atlanta announced that he's committed to play at Notre Dame. He's the third defensive back in the Irish's 2019 recruiting class.

NFL: The Browns "definitely" are considering selecting former Oklahoma QB and Heisman Trophy winner Baker Mayfield with the No. 1 overall pick in Thursday night's draft, ESPN reported. The Browns also own the No. 4 overall pick. ... Teams were notified that former Florida WR Antonio Callaway tested positive for marijuana at the combine, ESPN reported. He was one of nine Florida players suspended last season while being investigated for fraud. ... Patriots TE Rob Gronkowski announced on Instagram that he will return next season, ending speculation he might retire. ESPN reported that Gronkowski, 28, and his agent, Drew Rosenhaus, met with Patriots coach Bill Belichick and that the team will not trade the five-time Pro Bowler this season. ... The Rams picked up their fifth-year contract options for 2019 on RB Todd Gurley and CB Marcus Peters.

SOCCER: Mohamed Salah had two goals and two assists in leading host Liverpool to a 5-2 win over his former club Roma in the first leg of a Champions League semifinal. Salah scored in the 36th minute and doubled the lead in the 45th. He produced crosses for Sadio Mane and Roberto Firmino to score almost identical goals in the 56th and 61st minutes. Liverpool midfielder Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain suffered what manager Jurgen Klopp called a "really bad" leg injury in the victory and may miss the rest of the season.

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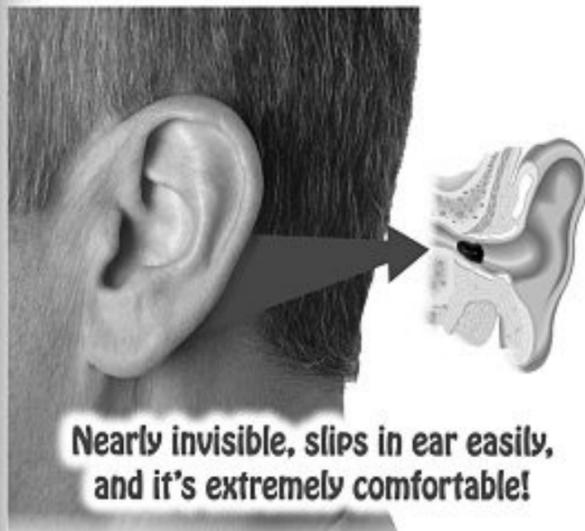
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CALENDAR

TEAM	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
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	SEA 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@KC 7:15 NBCSCH AM-720	@KC 7:15 NBCSCH AM-720	@KC 7:15 WGN-9 AM-720	@KC 1:15 WGN-9 AM-720		@STL 7:15 NBCSCH AM-720
				@TOR 2 AM-1200			

WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB
1:10 p.m. Mariners at White Sox NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720
4 p.m. Nationals at Giants MLBN
5:10 p.m. Cubs at Indians NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

COLLEGE BASEBALL

6 p.m. Indiana at Purdue ESPNU
NBA PLAYOFFS
6 p.m. G5, Pacers at Cavaliers TNT, WMVP-AM 1000
6 p.m. G5, Wizards at Raptors NBA TV
8:30 p.m. G5, Timberwolves at Rockets TNT
8:30 p.m. G5, Jazz at Thunder NBA TV

GOLF

9:30 p.m. China Open Golf Channel (more, 1:30 a.m. Thu.)

NHL PLAYOFFS

6:30 G7, Maple Leafs at Bruins NBCSN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

3 p.m. Towson at Johns Hopkins ESPNU

UEFA CHAMPIONS SOCCER

1:30 p.m. Real Madrid at Bayern Munich FS1

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

3 p.m. Indiana at Purdue (2) BTN

TENNIS

3 a.m. Thu. ATP Barcelona Tennis Channel

NFL DRAFT

2018 ORDER	44. Was	94. Min	ROUND 5	217. Oak*
1. Thu.	45. GB	95. NE	138. GB (Cle)	175. Cle
2. Fri.	46. Cin	96. Buf (Phi)	139. NYG	176. LAR
3. Sat.	47. Ari	97. Ari*	140. Ind (NYG)	177. NE (Cle)
4. Sun.	48. LAC	98. Hou*	141. Sea	178. Hou
5. Mon.	49. Ind (NYG)	99. Den*	142. Was	179. NYJ
6. Tue.	50. Dal	100. Cin*	143. Bears	180. TB
7. Wed.	51. Det	101. NYG	144. Bears	181. Bears
8. Thu.	52. Bal	102. TB	145. Bears	182. Ari
9. Fri.	53. Buf	103. Hou	146. Bears	183. LAR
10. Sat.	54. Car	104. ind	147. NYG	184. SF
11. Sun.	55. Car	105. Den	148. Pitt (WAS)	185. Oak
12. Mon.	56. Buf (LAR)	106. Den	149. Den	186. GB
13. Tue.	57. Ten	107. NYJ	150. Was	187. Buf
14. Wed.	58. Atl	108. NYG (TB)	151. Cle (GB)	188. Cle
15. Thu.	59. SF (NO)	109. NYG (TB)	152. Ari	189. NO (Ari)
16. Fri.	60. Pitt	110. Oak	153. Dal	190. Bal
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20. Tue.	64. Cle (Phi)	114. Cle (GB)	157. NYJ	194. LAR
21. Wed.	65. Buf (Cle)	115. Bears	158. Cin	195. LAR
22. Thu.	66. NYG	116. Cle (GB)	159. Oak (NE)	196. KC
23. Fri.	67. Ind	117. Det	160. Den	197. Car
24. Sat.	68. Hou	118. LAC	161. Car	198. NE (LAR)
25. Sun.	69. NYG (TB)	119. LAC	162. Ten	199. Bal
26. Mon.	70. SF	120. Sea	163. Was	200. Atl
27. Tue.	71. Cin (Buf)	121. Buf	164. NYJ	201. NO
28. Wed.	72. NYJ	122. Cin	165. Pitt	202. TB (Pit)
29. Thu.	73. Mia	123. Mia	166. Phi	203. Jax
30. Fri.	74. SF	124. KC (LA)	167. Min	204. Min
31. Sat.	75. Oak	125. Atl	168. Sea (NE)	205. Was
32. Sun.	76. GB	126. Atl	169. Phi	206. Phi
33. Mon.	77. Cin	127. NO	170. GB*	207. GB*
34. Tue.	78. KC (Was)	128. SF (Pit)	171. Dal*	208. Dal*
35. Wed.	79. LAR	129. Jax	172. GB*	209. Mia (KC*)
36. Thu.	80. Hou (Sea)	130. Phi	173. Oak	210. NE
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39. Sun.	83. Cle	133. GB*	176. GB*	213. Min*
40. Mon.	84. LAC	134. Ari*	177. Dal*	214. Hou*
41. Tue.	85. KC	135. LAR	178. GB*	215. Bal*
42. Wed.	86. KC	136. LAR (NE*)	179. GB*	216. Oak*
43. Thu.	87. LAR	137. Dal*		

Cool customer Pace won't show hand before draft

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For instance, Pace hardly shied from the growing local perception of him as a bold risk-taker created by trading up in two straight drafts to select outside linebacker Leonard Floyd and Trubisky, respectively. Interestingly, Pace sounded a little like he took being called aggressive as a compliment when it's still too early for such flattery. Floyd looks like a Pro Bowl pass rusher but misses too many games because of injuries. Trubisky flashes franchise-quarterback potential, especially when it comes to intangibles, but his 12-game rookie sample remains too small for a consensus. Trubisky remains closer to unproven than unquestioned.

"When we identify a guy that we like and there's unified vision in the building of a player we want, I don't think we're ever afraid to go up and get that guy," Pace said. "I'd rather do that and assure we get that guy rather than (have it where) he goes right before you and everybody walks out of the draft room a little bit disappointed."

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Hmmm. Those were the truest words that came out of Pace's mouth two days before the draft and, in his mind, likely served a purpose. Note to self: Expect Pace to stand pat at No. 8 after trying to fool teams into moving up to take a player they think the Bears covet but really don't. A player from Pace's "cloud" of eight guys capable of affecting the culture immediately — such as Notre Dame guard Quenton Nelson or Georgia linebacker Roquan Smith — would be worth the Bears staying put. This year, the smart play is the safe one for the Bears.

If the 2017 draft presented a mandate for Pace to draft a franchise quarterback, this one offers more opportunity than urgency. Pace still needs credibility that a 14-34 record in his first three seasons makes difficult for anyone looking beyond his likable personality. A reminder came when Pace defended his decision on former wide receiver Cam Meredith, who went to the Saints for no compensation because the Bears offered only the low \$1.9 million tender because of concerns over the knee injury that caused Meredith to miss last season.

"Every organization comes to different assessments," Pace said vaguely.

In essence, Pace asked everyone to trust his judgment over the Saints' — perhaps the biggest reason for skepticism. An endorsement for an NFL receiver from Saints coach Sean Payton and quarterback Drew Brees simply speaks volumes, the difference between a scream and a whisper.



JOSHUA L. JONES/AP

The Bears likely won't need to trade up to get a player like Georgia linebacker Roquan Smith in Thursday's NFL draft.

Everything about Pace earning the benefit of the doubt still revolves around Trubisky, the player he staked his reputation on by shocking the football world.

If Pace miscalculated on Meredith, all he will lose is sleep. But if Pace turns out to be wrong about Trubisky, he will lose his job.

That's why it was fun to ask Pace what he would do if any of the four quarterbacks expected to be gone before the Bears are on the clock — Sam Darnold, Josh Allen, Josh Rosen and Baker Mayfield — remain on the board when they draft eighth. It's unlikely but not impossible, as any draftnik knows.

"The fact that it's a talented quarterback class is going to help us this year with where we're picking," Pace said. "But to sit here and think we're going to select a quarterback at that point would be inaccurate."

My mind wandered to 2005, the last time the Bears possessed a promising, young, untested starting quarterback everybody in the building loved from the moment the team drafted him: Rex Grossman. That year, the Bears selected running back Cedric Benson at No. 4 — and his picture appears next to "bust" in the team glossary. The Packers drafted quarterback Aaron Rodgers 20 picks later.

Pace probably takes solace in knowing none of the four quarterbacks projected to go early resembles a future Rodgers, avoiding a potential dilemma. But the possibility of one dropping to eighth does pose a fascinating philosophical discussion about draft assets, even if Pace assured everybody that no quarterback was among the Bears' top-eight targeted players.

"Yeah, I'd say that," Pace said.

So it must be true.

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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

TAMPA BAY 4, NEW JERSEY 1
April 12: TAMPA BAY 5-2
April 14: TAMPA BAY 5-3
April 16: NEW JERSEY 5-2
April 18: Tampa Bay 3-1
April 21: TAMPA BAY 3-1

BOSTON 3, TORONTO 3
April 12: BOSTON 5-2
April 14: BOSTON 7-3
April 16: TORONTO 4-3
April 19: Boston 3-1
April 21: Toronto 4-3
April 23: TORONTO 3-1

Washington: at Boston, 6:30
WASHINGTON 4, COLUMBUS 2
April 12: Columbus 4-3 (OT)
April 15: Columbus 5-4 (OT)
April 17: Washington 3-2 (OT)
April 19: Washington 4-1
April 21: Washington 4-3
April 23: Washington 6-3

PITTSBURGH 4, PHILADELPHIA 2
April 11: PITTSBURGH 7-0
April 13: Philadelphia 5-1
April 15: Pittsburgh 5-1
April 18: Philadelphia 4-2
April 22: Pittsburgh 8-5

ROUND 2: WASHINGTON vs. PITTSBURGH
Thursday: at Pittsburgh, 6
Friday: at Pittsburgh, 6
Saturday: at Pittsburgh, 6

WESTERN CONFERENCE
NASHVILLE 4, COLORADO 2
April 12: NASHVILLE 5-2
April 14: NASHVILLE 5-4
April 16: COLORADO 5-3
April 18: Nashville 3-2
April 20: Colorado 2-1
April 22: Nashville 5-0

WINNIPEG 4, MINNESOTA 1
April 11: WINNIPEG 3-2
April 13: WINNIPEG 4-1
April 15: MINNESOTA 6-2
April 18: WINNIPEG 2-0
April 20: WINNIPEG 5-0
April 22: VEGAS 1-0

VEGAS 4, LOS ANGELES 0
April 11: VEGAS 1-0
April 13: VEGAS 2-1 (2OT)
April 15: VEGAS 3-2
April 18: Vegas 1-0

SAN JOSE 4, ANAHEIM 0
April 12: San Jose 3-0
April 14: San Jose 3-2
April 16: SAN JOSE 5-1
April 19: SAN JOSE 2-1

ROUND 2: VEGAS vs. SAN JOSE
Thursday: at Vegas, 9
NASHVILLE vs. WINNIPEG
Friday: at Nashville, 7
(best-of-7; x-if necessary)

WESTERN CONFERENCE
MINNESOTA 2, WASHINGTON 2
April 12: MINNESOTA 13-10
April 15: WASHINGTON 12-10
April 18: MINNESOTA 10-9
April 21: WASHINGTON 10-9
April 24: MINNESOTA 11-10

PHILADELPHIA 3, MIAMI 1
April 14: PHILADELPHIA 130-103
April 17: PHILADELPHIA 128-108
April 21: PHILADELPHIA 106-102
Tuesday: PHILADELPHIA 104-91

INDIANA 2, CLEVELAND 2
April 15: Indiana 98-89
April 18: CLEVELAND 100-97
April 22: INDIANA 92-90
April 25: CLEVELAND 104-100
Wednesday: at Cleveland, 6
Friday: at Indiana, TBA
x-April 29: at Cleveland, TBA

HOUSTON 3, MINNESOTA 1
April 15: HOUSTON 104-101
April 18: HOUSTON 102-82
April 21: MINNESOTA 121-105
April 23: Houston 119-100
Wednesday: at Houston, 8:30
x-Friday: at Houston, TBA
x-April 29: at Minnesota, TBA

GOLDEN STATE 4, SAN ANTONIO 1
April 14: GOLDEN STATE 113-92
April 16: GOLDEN STATE 116-101
April 19: Golden State 110-97
April 22: SAN ANTONIO 103-90
Tuesday: GOLDEN STATE 99-91
NEW ORLEANS 4, PORTLAND 0
April 14: New Orleans 97-95
April 17: New Orleans 111-102
April 19: NEW ORLEANS 119-102
April 21: NEW ORLEANS 131-123

UTAH, OKLAHOMA CITY 1
April 15: OKLAHOMA 116-108
April 18: Utah 102-95
April 21: UTAH 115-102
April 23: UTAH 113-96
Wednesday: Oklahoma City, 8:30
x-Friday: at Utah, TBA
x-April 29: Oklahoma City, TBA
(best-of-7; x-if necessary)

WESTERN CONFERENCE
HOUSTON 3, MINNESOTA 1
April 15: HOUSTON 104-101
April 18: HOUSTON 102-82
April 21: MINNESOTA 121-105
April 23: Houston 119-100
Wednesday: at Houston, 8:30
x-Friday: at Houston, TBA
x-April 29: at Minnesota, TBA

ATLANTIC DIVISION SEMIFINALS
ROCKFORD 2, WOLVES 0
April 21: Rockford 2-1
April 22: Rockford 2-1
Thursday: at Wolves, 8
x-Sunday: at Rockford, 5
x-April 30: at Wolves, 8

MANITOWA 2, GRAND RAPIDS 0
April 21: Maniowba 3-2
April 22: Grand Rapids 5-1
Wednesday: at Grand Rapids, 7
x-Thursday: at Grand Rapids, 7
x-April 30: at Grand Rapids, 7

PACIFIC DIVISION SEMIFINALS
TUCSON 1, SAN JOSE 1
April 19: Tucson 4-2
April 21: San Jose 6-3
Wednesday: at Tucson, 10:05
April 22: Tucson, 10:05
x-Saturday: at Tucson, 10:05

TEXAS 1, ONTARIO 1
April 19: Texas 4-3 (OT)
April 20: Ontario 5-1
April 22: Texas 5-2 (2OT)
April 24: Texas 1-0
x-April 30: at Texas, 8

ATLANTIC DIVISION SEMIFINALS
LEHIGH VALLEY 1, PROVIDENCE 1
April 21: Lehigh Valley 3-2
April 21: Providence 5-3
Friday: at Lehigh Valley, 7:05
Saturday: at Lehigh Valley, 7:05
x-Saturday: at Lehigh Valley, 7:05

CHARLOTTE 2, WB/SCRANTON 0
April 20: Charlotte 3-2 (OT)
April 21: Charlotte 4-1
Thursday: at WB/Scranton, 7:05
x-Saturday: at WB/Scranton, 7:05
x-Sunday: at WB/Scranton, 3:05

North Division Semifinals
TORONTO 2, UTICA 0
April 21: Toronto 3-2 (OT)
April 22: Toronto 5-2
Wednesday: at Utica, 7
x-Friday: at Utica, 7
x-Sunday: at Toronto, 4

SYRACUSE 2, ROCHESTER 0
April 22: Syracuse 6-2
April 23: Syracuse 6-5
Wednesday: at Rochester, 7:05
x-Friday: at Rochester, 7:05
x-Saturday: at Syracuse, 7
(best-of-5; x-if necessary)

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE
CLUB W L T GF GA PTS
Man City 29 3 2 98 25 90
Man United 23 5 6 65 26 74
Liverpool 20 11 4 65 37 71
Tottenham 20 8 6 65 31 68
Chelsea 19 6 9 59 34 63
Arsenal 17 6 11 66 46 57
Burnley 14 11 10 35 32 53
Everton 12 9 14 50 45 41
Leicester 11 11 12 49 47 44
Newcastle 11 8 15 35 43 45
Bournemouth 9 11 15 41 58 38
Watford 10 8 17 42 60 38
Brighton 8 12 14 32 47 36
Crystal Palace 8 11 16 36 45 35
West Ham 8 11 16 42 63 35
Huddersfield 9 8 17 27 54 35
Swansea 8 9 17 27 51 33
Southampton 5 14 15 33 53 29
Stoke 6 11 18 32 65 29
West Brom 4 13 18 29 54 25

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE
Liverpool vs. Stoke, 6:30 a.m.
Burnley vs. Brighton, 9 a.m.
Newcastle vs. West Brom, 9 a.m.
Southampton vs. Bournemouth, 9 a.m.
Crystal Palace vs. Leicester, 9 a.m.
Huddersfield vs. Everton, 9 a.m.
Swansea vs. Chelsea, 11:30 a.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

TORONTO 2, WASHINGTON 2
April 14: TORONTO 114-104
April 17: TORONTO 130-119
April 20: WASHINGTON 122-103
April 22: WASHINGTON 106-108
Wednesday: at Toronto, 6
Friday: at Washington, TBA
x-April 29: at Toronto, TBA

BOSTON 3, MILWAUKEE 2
April 15: BOSTON 113-107 (OT)
April 17: BOSTON 120-106
April 20: MILWAUKEE 116-92
April 22: MILWAUKEE 104-102
Tuesday: BOSTON 92-87
Thursday: at Milwaukee, TBA
x-April 28: at Boston, TBA

PHILADELPHIA 3, MIAMI 1
April 14: PHILADELPHIA 130-103
April 17: PHILADELPHIA 128-108
April 21: PHILADELPHIA 106-102
Tuesday: PHILADELPHIA 104-91

INDIANA 2, CLEVELAND 2
April 15: Indiana 98-89
April 18: CLEVELAND 100-97
April 22: INDIANA 92-90
April 25: CLEVELAND 104-100
Wednesday: at Cleveland, 6
Friday: at Indiana, TBA
x-April 29: at Cleveland, TBA

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April 15: HOUSTON 104-101
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April 23: Houston 119-100
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GOLDEN STATE 4, SAN ANTONIO 1
April 14: GOLDEN STATE 113-92
April 16: GOLDEN STATE 116-101
April 19: Golden State 110-97
April 22: SAN ANTONIO 103-90
Tuesday: GOLDEN STATE 99-91

NFL DRAFT



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Bears aren't afraid to make noise in the draft, as they did in 2016 when they moved up two spots to pick edge rusher Leonard Floyd.

Session of secrecy

With options aplenty, Pace won't reveal much about strategy

BY DAN WIEDERER
Chicago Tribune

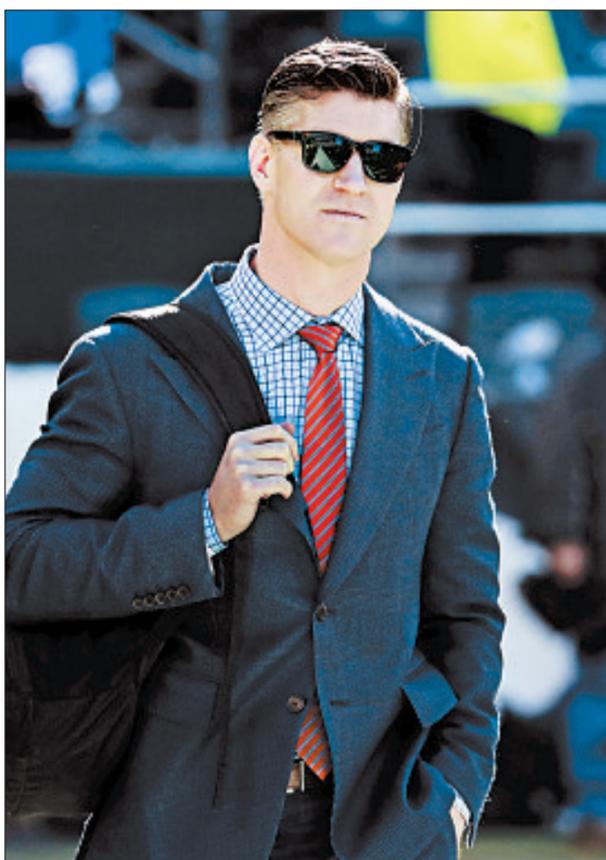
Ryan Pace came to the dais in the Halas Hall media center Tuesday morning wearing his usual draft-week poker face. League rules mandate that the Bears general manager have a news conference before the draft. But for Pace it's an annual exercise in friendly evasion, a smile-filled duck-and-dodge in which he spends 15 minutes answering questions but trying his damndest to say nothing that will compromise the team's objectives.

So for those who had been hoping to collect clues on what the Bears might do with the No. 8 pick Thursday night, we have nothing for you after Tuesday's visit to Lake Forest — other than the breaking news that the Bears will not select a quarterback in the first round for the second consecutive year.

Said Pace: "The fact that it's a talented quarterback class is going to help us this year with where we're picking. But to sit here and think we're going to select a quarterback at that point would be inaccurate."

Shocker, right?

Pace did reveal that the Bears have a "cloud" on their big board upstairs at Halas Hall that features eight players the team would feel excited about drafting Thursday night. None are quarterbacks. Almost certainly included in that cloud are Penn State running back Saquon Barkley, North Carolina State edge rusher Bradley Chubb, Notre Dame guard Quenton Nelson and Georgia linebacker Roquan Smith. Perhaps Alabama defensive back Minkah Fitzpatrick, Ohio State cornerback Denzel Ward and Virginia Tech linebacker Tremaine Edmunds are too? But to speculate on how those players are ordered and graded on the Bears' board would be



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Bears general manager Ryan Pace offered little information about who the team plans to draft with the No. 8 pick Thursday night.

pure guesswork.

Thus the waiting game will continue until just after 7 p.m. Thursday night.

In the meantime, trying to read into the general manager's body language or word choices would be useless, particularly with him openly acknowledging the leaguewide obsession with secrecy and subterfuge at this time of year.

"There's more and more noise out there," Pace said. "The draft has become bigger and bigger and bigger. So for us, as decision makers, we have to block a lot of that out and focus internally on what we believe and what we

want to do and how our scouts view things as opposed to (worrying about) the information that's out there."

Pace did take questions on two prospects who could be in play at No. 8. Asked if the scouting report on Nelson is as thorough as it can be with his Notre Dame offensive line coach Harry Hiestand now on the Bears' staff, Pace shrugged. "Yeah," Pace said. "I mean he's a player obviously we know a lot about obviously having his coach here. But that can apply to a lot of players in the draft."

And what about the edge-rushing potential of Edmunds in the 3-4 scheme that Bears defen-

"The fact that it's a talented quarterback class is going to help us this year with where we're picking."

— Bears GM Ryan Pace

sive coordinator Vic Fangio runs?

"One of the most valuable things in him is his position versatility," Pace said. "He can do a little bit of both (playing inside linebacker or outside linebacker). So that's a feather in his cap."

Translation to both those answers: Ask again this weekend, if necessary.

In the meantime, remember that Pace's willingness to move around the draft board is well documented. He traded from No. 11 to No. 9 in 2016 to draft outside linebacker Leonard Floyd. And last year, Pace jumped from No. 3 to No. 2 to take quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

"When we identify a guy that we like," Pace said, "and there's unified vision in the building of a player we want, I don't think we're ever afraid to go up and get that guy. I'd rather do that and assure we get that guy rather than (have it where) he goes right before you and everybody walks out of the draft room a little bit disappointed."

In each of those drafts, Pace traded down in Round 2 to recoup picks. The Bears made two second-round trades in 2016, dropping 15 spots before picking offensive lineman Cody Whitehair at No. 56. Last year, they fell from No. 36 to 45 via a trade with the Cardinals before selecting tight end Adam Shaheen.

Once again, the possibilities for the Bears this weekend seem endless. And they truly are. But here's the best news: The prognostications are about to cease. The real action is about to begin.

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WHAT WE LEARNED

Avoiding some risky business

BY COLLEEN KANE
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The Bears were host to two events Tuesday, the annual Brian Piccolo Award ceremony and general manager Ryan Pace's pre-draft news conference.

Here's what we learned at Halas Hall.

Pace pointed to the Bears' medical assessments of wide receiver Cameron Meredith's knee as a key reason for his departure.

The Bears lost Meredith this month when they declined to match the Saints' two-year, \$9.6 million offer sheet, with \$5.4 million guaranteed. The Bears tendered the restricted free agent at the right-of-first-refusal level, meaning they would have paid Meredith \$1.9 million this season but didn't receive draft-pick compensation when he signed with another team.

Pace was asked twice Tuesday why the Bears didn't place a second-round tender on Meredith, who is coming off a torn ACL and MCL in his left knee. That would have cost \$1 million more but likely assured the Bears of not losing him.

"Without getting into specifics, obviously he was coming off an injury," Pace said. "We lean on our training staff and our docs. ... We just went through our medical grades. Every organization's different. Every organization comes to different assessments."

Meredith's departure leaves the Bears with an extra need in this week's draft, even though they brought in free-agent wide receivers Allen Robinson and Taylor Gabriel.

Pace said new coach Matt Nagy has gone over nearly every wide receiver in the draft and has played a significant role in the evaluation process by offering his vision of how they might fit into his offense. Pace said Nagy has one mantra when it comes to receivers.

"There are a lot of things that you value with the receivers," Pace said. "They can be different animals — small, big, good route runners, speed guys — but I would say the trait that has to be there is good hands, natural hands."

Running back Benny Cunningham feels a special connection to the Brian Piccolo Award and the cancer research fund named for the same player.

Cunningham and Tarik Cohen were named this year's veteran and rookie recipients of the award in front of a crowd of Bears executives, former award winners and Piccolo's family. Bears players vote for the award, selecting teammates they feel best exemplify the courage, loyalty, teamwork, dedication and sense of humor of the late Brian Piccolo.

Piccolo was in his fourth season with the Bears in 1969 when a chest X-ray revealed a malignancy, and he died several months later from embryonal cell carcinoma at age 26. The Bears have given out an award in his memory every year since 1970, and the Brian Piccolo Cancer Research Fund has raised more than \$8 million since pivoting to breast cancer research in 1991.

When he accepted his award, Cunningham revealed that when he was going into eighth grade, his father, also Benny Cunningham, died of cancer. Cunningham declined to give many details of his father's death but he said his father always pushed him to improve at football. He often thinks about his dad's impact on his NFL career.

"Growing up young, losing a father kind of forces you to grow up fast, but it's still something that I revert back to him," Cunningham said. "I'm a religious person, so I still feel like he's watching over me. And football is kind of our dream, so every day I get to go out there and practice or participate in games, I feel like we're doing it together."

Cunningham rejoined the Bears on a one-year contract this offseason. Beyond his production on the field as a third-down back and special teams contributor, Cunningham said he tries to be a leader off it.

"When teams sign a guy or draft a guy, I feel like they're drafting that person as a whole, not necessarily just what they can do on the field, and I feel like that's me right there," Cunningham said.

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DRAFT NEEDS

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BY SAM FARMER | Los Angeles Times

Broncos | Signing Case Keenum took some pressure off the Broncos to get a quarterback right away, but there's still a need. Fortifying the offensive line with Notre Dame's Quenton Nelson would be an interesting move, even though guards rarely go as high as the Broncos are picking (No. 5). Pass rusher is also a consideration, as is running back.

Chargers | Because of injuries, the Chargers got next to nothing out of their top two rookies last season, receiver Mike Williams and guard Forrest Lamp, so they have reason to be excited. A run-stopping defensive tackle would be a logical pick at No. 17, and they eventually will need to replace quarterback Philip Rivers.

Chiefs | The Chiefs gave up this year's first-round pick so they could trade up and get quarterback Patrick Mahomes last year, so they're not scheduled to choose until the 54th pick. They need to restock along the offensive line, and they could use some help in the secondary, too, especially after trading playmaker Marcus Peters to the Rams.

Raiders | Even though the Raiders drafted for defense with their first three picks last year, they likely will go for a defender again with the No. 10 pick. They need an interior presence and an edge rusher. They also need help in the secondary. It's probably too early to take an offensive tackle at that spot in the first round.

49ers | The 49ers got their quarterback yet they still have plenty of needs, especially cornerback, pass rusher and along the offensive line. They likely will go defense with their No. 9 pick, and the murky future of linebacker Reuben Foster doesn't help matters. The team is in prime position to get an elite defensive back.

Cardinals | Carson Palmer has retired, and Sam Bradford is a stopgap, so don't be surprised if the Cardinals make a move to trade up into the top five to get a quarterback. They sat at 13 last year as the Chiefs and Texans traded past them to address that need. They could also use a receiver to complement Larry Fitzgerald.

Rams | The Rams made some huge moves during the offseason — adding cornerbacks Aqib Talib and Marcus Peters, defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh and wide receiver Brandin Cooks. Linebacker Alec Ogletree is gone, and the Rams need to find a replacement who's a better fit for Wade Phillips' scheme.

Seahawks | The Seahawks are in a strange spot because they have the No. 18 pick, then don't select again until the fourth round. There's a good chance they'll trade down to acquire more picks. They need help on the offensive line, an edge rusher and defensive backs for the next generation of the Legion of Boom.

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



PATRICK SEMANSKY/AP

Starting Thursday night, Hall of Fame Browns tight end Ozzie Newsome will oversee the final draft of his long, successful career as the only general manager of the Ravens.

In final draft, Newsome can add to Ravens legacy

BY CHILDS WALKER
Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — For 22 years, he has ruled — quietly but absolutely — over every decision the Ravens have made in their draft room.

Through most of that tenure, Baltimore football fans trusted Ozzie Newsome's judgment more deeply than any other facet of the team's operation. After all, he held firm to his sacred board in 1996 and picked Hall of Fame tackle Jonathan Ogden over gifted but troubled running back Lawrence Phillips, who was coveted by Ravens owner Art Modell.

From there, the great players and superb values seemed to flow in every spring, healing whatever ailed the franchise.

But as Newsome prepares to run his final draft as general manager this week, fans' faith in his wisdom has waned, at least slightly. The team's inability to find a superstar playmaker and its glaring misses on a few high-round picks have left the roster shaky in spots. And Newsome has put the onus on himself to right the ship before he hands the wheel to his longtime assistant, Eric DeCosta.

"I need to take all the blame," he said at the team's annual predraft news conference. "And it falls right on me. So yes, John (Harbaugh) and his staff do an unbelievable job, but we have to do a better job of bringing in players."

It's almost impossible to find anyone around the NFL who will criticize Newsome. Peers and analysts have too much respect for his track record and status as a league insider, despite the Ravens' mixed success in recent drafts.

Ross Tucker, a former NFL offensive lineman and host of the Ross Tucker Football Podcast, called Newsome the best drafter of the last 20 years. But he allowed that the Ravens general manager has had better days in terms of fan perception.

"For right now, the way it's ending, I think his reputation has lost a little bit," Tucker said. "That's how people remember it on some level — what have you done for me lately? When he retires, when it's over, initially some people might say that. But then as far as 10 years from now, nobody will remember that the end was like this."

If Newsome feels any pressure to go out with a bang, it's a good kind — the same mixture of anticipation, exhilaration and responsibility that pushed him through

13 seasons as a Hall of Fame tight end for the Browns. This is his favorite time of year.

"Well you know, from the very first draft ... I had the same anticipation, I had the same butterflies as I did when I walked out of that tunnel to play in my first NFL game," he said. "It was like that. You know all of the work is done, and then you have this moment where you have to pull the trigger; you have to go and perform."

"And I enjoy that aspect of it, just like I enjoyed competing on the field, because you're still competing with 31 other clubs about getting it right. And that same enthusiasm, that same fear that I had coming out of that tunnel, I have it on Thursday nights now, especially when we get within an hour of our pick, because that's when things start to happen."

Newsome's drafting legacy lies not just in the players he has picked but in the talent evaluators who learned under him and landed other prominent jobs around the football world — from James "Shack" Harris to Phil Savage to Terry McDonough to T.J. McCreight. That constant churn of front-office talent has hurt the Ravens at times. The staff of the world champion Eagles, for example, is loaded with Baltimore alumni.

But Newsome accepts that inevitability, much as he accepts the twist and turns of draft day.

"Part of the process that we have is built on us knowing that at some point, we are going to lose some of our better scouts, because they want the opportunity to be sitting in my seat," he said. "You have to expect that. The feeder system that we've had (is) that everybody pays it back."

Those who've shared a draft room with Newsome say he has changed little over the years. He's more apt to listen than talk, more apt to wait until the last second than get ahead of himself. His steady faith in the team's draft board reassures the people around him.

"In the end, Ozzie takes it all in," Harbaugh said. "He'll ask a couple of key questions, but he's listening and then he pulls the trigger. Ozzie pulls the trigger and makes a decision, and we all feel good."

DeCosta has been Newsome's closest acolyte. As he tells it, he resisted jumping to another team in large part because he works underneath a man he admires deeply.

"The thing about Ozzie is he's great listener," DeCosta said. "It's a very underappreciated quality that people have. He may

be in a meeting that we had in November and someone may have said something about a player and we'll come back in a meeting in April and Ozzie will say, 'Didn't you say this in November?' because he listens. He's not a guy who has to talk all the time. He's got tremendous humility."

"A lot of people — a Hall of Fame player and probably Hall of Fame executive — they would want to talk all the time. And he listens all the time."

The team's general-manager-in-waiting said there's one quality he'd most like to steal from his mentor.

"It would be patience," DeCosta said. "I'm not a patient person by nature, and he has tremendous patience. I'm amazed how he can sit there through the game and not say a word. I just don't have that quality."

"It's very hard to me — some of these guys have probably sat near me — I really try hard in the press box on game day to be quiet and not say anything. But I'm not just wired like Ozzie. It's a flaw that I have and a strength that he has."

Former Ravens coach Brian Billick recalled with awe the first draft he spent beside Newsome. The new coach was practically jumping out of his chair as he watched coveted players fly off the board. Newsome, meanwhile, waited for the pieces to fall with an almost Zen reserve.

"Ozzie always had a plan as we were approaching a pick," Billick said. "If we were four away, there were five guys. If we were two away, there were three guys. I remember we're coming up in the third round and wanted Edwin Mulitalo and Brandon Stokley, and this is who we had on the board. And Ozzie had sized up the board and saw where things were going and said, 'No, we're OK. We'll get these guys later.' I'm going, 'Just make a pick, damn it,' and we ended up getting them in later picks."

"So that very first one was when I recognized — I always said Ozzie was like the Russell Crowe character in 'A Beautiful Mind.' He'd just sit in the draft room, and it's like names were coming off the board in a way that was beyond my pay grade. But that's because he was such a great listener. He would draw on something that was said ... and it was a joy to be around him."

Critics, on the other hand, might argue Newsome has been too patient in recent years, sticking to his tried-and-true philosophy while watching gifted skill-position players vanish from the board.

In their predraft comments, Newsome

and DeCosta made it clear that whatever tweaks they've made to their assessment methods, their core philosophy of taking the best player available, regardless of position, will never change. If that leads to them taking a right tackle over a wide receiver this year, as fans groan and boo, so be it. They don't regret using their first four picks on defensive players last year despite the team's glaring need for pass catchers.

Even owner Steve Bisciotti's comment that "there is a really good chance we won't be drafting a defensive tackle in the first round," made the same day he announced DeCosta would succeed Newsome after the 2018 season, did not seem to dissuade them.

"The work is being done and will get done over the course of the next 22 days," Newsome said earlier this month. "And at that point the board is going to get set, and we'll be prepared to pull the trigger. Is it going to be four defensive players this year? I would hope not, because we've got some areas on offense that we think we can improve, based on the players in the draft. But I can't control. ... I've always said I can't control what those other 15 people in front of me are going to do."

Draft analysts who've always thought highly of Newsome's work note that he's found his share of excellent values in recent years. The Ravens picked players such as Brandon Williams, Kyle Juszczyk, Rick Wagner and Ryan Jensen in the third round or lower and all signed lucrative free-agent deals after blossoming in Baltimore.

Three of the last four first-round picks — C.J. Mosley in 2014, Ronnie Stanley in 2016 and Marlon Humphrey in 2017 — returned immediate value as rookies.

But the Ravens have whiffed on plenty as well, from first-rounders Breshad Perriman in 2015 and Matt Elam in 2013 to a succession of second-round busts that include Kamalei Correa, Maxx Williams and Arthur Brown.

Savage, who now analyzes the draft for SiriusXM Radio, said Newsome is as astute at finding talent as ever but that the entire league has improved at drafting, meaning the Ravens go in with less advantage than they did 10 or 20 years ago.

"Not as many players fall through the cracks," he said.

But he scoffed at the idea that Newsome's stature is diminished in any way or that he has something to prove with this draft.

"Our call is not long enough for me to list all of his accomplishments," Savage said.

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Griffin not afraid to push all of his obstacles aside

By KENT BABB
Washington Post

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — She put the knife away, climbed into bed with her 4-year-old son and massaged his left hand until her own fingers felt numb. Then she prayed.

A few minutes earlier, Tangie Griffin had awakened to screaming. She was used to young Shaquem crying when he bumped his partially developed left hand, but this had been different. She had found the boy in the kitchen with the family's biggest knife, ready to cleave off his hand.

She worked at a hospital, so that night she called a surgeon she knew and said she'd be there in a few hours. The doctor tried to calm her, and until that moment the family hadn't considered amputation. But what if Shaquem again attempted to end his recurring pain this way? What if no one was home?

No, the hand had to be removed immediately. Yes, she was certain.

Now she was soothing the boy in his bunk, and her husband had led Shaquem's frightened twin brother, Shaquill, into another room as they attempted to wait out the night.

Tangie rubbed Shaquem's hand even after he drifted off to sleep, and she would recall talking to God until the sun came up. She was certain her decision was the right one, but if she asked for anything it was for Shaquem's comfort as the next few hours came and went. And as the years passed and challenges gathered, maybe something or someone would watch out for him.

The lookout

It's 18 years later, and on this Thursday the twins are sitting outside at a trendy Italian place, waiting for their identical lunches and sipping ice water with lemon through identical straws.

The food arrives, identical plates of spicy pizza with Calabrian chiles, and the server asks if they'd like crushed pepper or grated cheese.

"Parmesan cheese," Shaquill Griffin said. "Parmesan cheese," Shaquem Griffin said.

They're 22 now, Shaquill already an NFL player and Shaquem about to be, and there aren't many differences between them. In high school, before they played at the University of Central Florida, they would emerge from different bedrooms wearing the same clothes, and even now one will call the other to learn that he had just turned the television to "South Park" and, wouldn't you know it, the other did too.

There are subtle physical differences — Shaquem, a linebacker, is 29 pounds heavier than Shaquill, a Seahawks cornerback — and a distinct one: Shaquem, since he was 4, has navigated life and indeed thrived as a football player without a left hand.

At the end of the month, Shaquem — following an impressive performance at the NFL scouting combine — is expected to be selected in the draft, and this autumn he could become a powerful symbol in America's largest sports league: the first player to appear in an NFL game despite an amputation.

"People all get tackled the same," he said, and indeed Shaquem has never had much patience for perceived limitations.

It's part of why his performance at last month's scouting combine was so astonishing: Wearing a prosthetic that suctions onto his wrist and is heavier than it looks, Shaquem hoped to bench-press 225 pounds at least 11 times and instead completed 20 repetitions, more than some offensive line prospects. The next day, he ran the 40-yard dash in 4.38 seconds, faster than any linebacker in 15 years but identical — of course — to Shaquill's time a year earlier.

Shaquem, who initially wasn't even invited to the combine, became a social media sensation and saw his Instagram followers balloon by 150,000 over the next 24 hours. Over the next few weeks, he would dine with Hulk Hogan, chat with Charlie Sheen and FaceTime with Ric Flair. So many interview requests would pour in that Tangie had to make time to unload a full voicemail inbox.

"It's OK to sometimes say no," Shaquill said, and this is perhaps a window into the biggest difference between the twins.

Shaquill was born 60 seconds before Shaquem, and that makes him the older brother and the protector. He is calculating, organized, cautious. Shaquill was the brother who, in high school, would beat on Shaquem's door to keep him from oversleeping; the toddler who, in day care, once smacked a girl for calling his brother "Picklehand"; who, now as an adult, is a Type A worrier who warns that his brother's newfound fame has led him to skip meals and cut into his sleep.

"I was the responsible one," Shaquill said, and during this lunch he will remind his brother — playful, spontaneous, free-spirited — of an upcoming call with Nike, about the dangers of wasting free time, how NFL players must learn to protect themselves.

Shaquem rolls his eyes. Sometimes things just work out, and the last six weeks, and maybe his entire life, are examples of



BRYNN ANDERSON/AP

Former Central Florida linebacker Shaquem Griffin this fall should become the first man to play in the NFL despite an amputation.

that. "I'll run through the tree; he'll run around it," Shaquem said.

Said Shaquill: "He'll run into somebody and get tackled, and I'll score."

Shaquem agrees, saying, "That's about right," and a moment later they're on to a new debate, laughing into the Tampa Bay breeze about which of them is the pretty one.

Separated but never apart

A little less than a year ago, Shaquill disappeared inside the airport and into his rookie season with the Seahawks, and Shaquem felt as if half of himself was gone too.

He volunteered to pack his brother's bedroom, but he couldn't bear to look at the face in the photographs. So he turned the frames upside down as he carried them into the closet.

As recently as two years earlier, the twins had never spent more than a night apart. Then George O'Leary, the former UCF coach, sent Shaquem home for the summer in 2015 while Shaquill remained in Orlando — something, depending on who's answering, between a motivational tactic and cruel social experiment.

How would Shaquill, at the time a starter for the Knights, react to the absence of his brother, a reserve player — and, the twins say coaches indicated, the removal of a distraction?

"To see," Shaquem said now, "if he could adjust without me."

"It was horrible," Shaquill said.

"Terrible," Shaquem said.

Shaquill's instinct was always to shield his twin, no matter the perceived offense. When he slugged the girl at day care, their parents picked the brothers up and on the drive home Shaquem agreed with the insult — his hand did look kind of like a pickle, and soon Tangie and Terry Griffin were laughing too.

"That's not funny!" Shaquill snapped from the back seat, and other times he would notice someone at a restaurant staring at his brother and demand the gawker just get on with it and ask what happened.

The loss of Shaquem's hand, ultimately, "was harder for Shaquill than it was for Shaquem," their mother said, and maybe that's why Shaquill would never stop standing up for his brother.

When O'Leary, who did not respond to an interview request for this story, indicated that Shaquem might play more if he cut his long hair, the young defender indeed cut off 8 inches — and so did Shaquill.

During that summer apart Shaquill made time to call his brother and counsel him; they'd play video games and spend hours talking about life, and invariably Shaquem would tell his brother how much he hated working for their father's towing company. Climbing a tree or tying a shoe or even swinging a golf club with one hand? That was easy compared with rescuing some

broken-down vehicle in the rain, and though his parents might help Shaquem negotiate a necktie, they wouldn't abide him just sitting at home.

"I don't ever want to do this again," Tangie remembers Shaquem saying a few times that summer, and that was precisely the conclusion they all wanted him to reach.

The showman

"If I was you, I wouldn't miss it," Shaquill told Seahawks coach Pete Carroll before running the 40-yard dash at last year's combine.

"You blink, you might miss it," Shaquem told Carroll before running his 40 this year. Seattle prefers swagger on its defense, known in recent years as the "Legion of Boom," and Shaquill believes that's one reason the team drafted him in the third round last year. Those first weeks away from home were challenging, and at one point he confided in coaches that he was out of sorts — homesick and, 3,000 miles from his twin, feeling powerless.

He found therapy as a human NFL cheat sheet for his brother, and when the twins talked each day Shaquill would tell Shaquem what he'd learned and experienced. Film study and massages weren't optional at this level, and free hours could either be an opportunity or a trap.

Shaquem, who was beginning his senior season at UCF, could follow his brother's lead. Then again: "If you want to be average," Shaquill told him, "then don't."

Shaquem listened, and during practices at UCF his goal each day was to end the session "dead tired," a way to lead teammates using more than just his voice. During late-night workouts, he'd suction on the prosthetic arm the school commissioned for him — because his left arm kept growing stronger and larger, he's on his fourth prosthetic — and fasten its latch around a barbell, occasionally bench-pressing upward of 405 pounds.

He watched game and practice footage, ate fruits and lean proteins, adopted an NFL lifestyle in the college ranks. By the end of the 2017 season, Shaquem totaled 74 tackles and seven sacks, was a unanimous all-conference selection and became the heartbeat on the nation's only unbeaten team.

Though the NFL waited until late January to invite him to the combine, Shaquem — always the family's light-hearted showman — promised to make it memorable. "If that was impressive," he liked to say, "just wait."

He kept working, and by February he had increased his number of bench-press reps from six to 10. After a few weeks at a training facility in Texas, Shaquem started wondering if he could match Shaquill's 17 reps from the year before.

On the morning of March 3, Shaquem downed fruit and eggs at the hotel in Indianapolis and made his way to Lucas Oil Stadium. He called Shaquill on the way, and then it was showtime. Shaquem rolled his neck, took a breath and snapped the

prosthetic's latch around the bar.

"I need all you got!" his energetic spotter kept saying, and that was never in question.

Shaquem reached 10 reps, and by then the crowd was cheering and the spotter was losing it. By 14, Shaquill's total from 2017 was in reach, and so were bragging rights.

"I just wanted to beat his number," Shaquem later remembered thinking, and back home his mother was crying, another brother screamed so loud it startled a nearby cameraman and his father was so emotional he stayed home because he knew how emotional he'd be.

Shaquem's muscles kept firing, so he kept pushing — 19 and then 20, and on the 21st attempt his chest and arms failed. He then unhooked his left hand and headed toward a news conference that had so many cameras in attendance he thought he'd wandered to the wrong podium.

His only formal combine interview was with the Seahawks, and Shaquem told Carroll that indeed he talked big but backed it up, swagger coursing through a beautifully imperfect package, and his goal before running the 40 was to make sure Carroll's eyes were on him.

"I just need the opportunity," Shaquem said, and that of course applies to the other 31 NFL teams, though the idea of the "Legion of Griffins," as Shaquem calls it, is too just tantalizing.

"If they want something shaking in Seattle, they know what to do," he said.

Soon J.J. Watt would be tweeting at him, Magic Johnson would call, Ben Simmons would offer to trade jerseys with him and the Tampa Bay Lightning would make personalized jerseys for the twins. And through it all a twin one minute older than the other would reveal the unmistakable instincts of a big brother.

"I knew everything was going to be different with him," Shaquill said. "He's so nice of a person that he'll just accept anything, even if it hurts him."

So many reporters visited that Shaquem sometimes forgot to eat, and it was up to Shaquill, naturally, to put them off while his twin refueled his body or send word through his agent that a meeting must take place over a meal. It was Shaquill who would show Shaquem the time on his phone and issue reminders that a pro athlete requires sleep.

This, Shaquill knows by virtue of experience or personality, is an opportunity with so much on the line, and not just for Shaquem. He is a dramatic example now, of odds and physical barriers smashed — he runs through the tree after all — and recently he experienced this at his nephew's youth football game.

There was another boy out there, and like Shaquem he was missing a hand. Shaquem called him over and introduced himself, and when the boy looked down to hide his tears, the one-handed linebacker who ruled the combine and is on the verge of making history nudged the boy's little chin upward.

"Don't let anybody tell you what you can't do," Shaquem said.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Company' ★★★

Venus opens with Sondheim musical amid cabaret crowd

BY CHRIS JONES
 Chicago Tribune

Venus now opens inside the Mercury on the hot Southport Corridor, adding a new theatrical venue to a block that already boasts the Music Box Theatre, surely the most beloved film citadel in the city.

The new addition to L. Walter Stearns' Mercury Theater footprint is a retro, cabaret-style space, located in the former Cullen's Bar and Grill and replete with booths, a bar in the corner and signature cocktails on the menu. But the plan here is not *chansons* at midnight under a

single spotlight, but full-blown Broadway musicals like the venue's challenging opening show, Stephen Sondheim and George Furth's 1970 revelation, "Company," replete with a cast of 14.

On Saturday night — the place, by the way, was packed — it quickly was clear that Stearns has taken a leaf from the Theo Ubique Theatre Company playbook, that long-standing Rogers Park (and soon to be Evanston) entity being the leading producer of micro-stagings of musicals in the city. Based on this first show, which takes few risks, Stearns has

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BRETT A. BEINER PHOTO

David Sajewich, center, is Bobby, a bachelor facing his 35th birthday, at the Mercury's Venus Cabaret Stage.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2014
 Pianist Ahmad Jamal returns to Symphony Center on Sept. 12.

Moran, Jamal headline jazz series



HOWARD REICH
My Kind of Jazz

Though Orchestra Hall long has been presenting jazz performances, it wasn't until 1994 that the institution created a bona fide jazz series.

It started modestly, as a four-concert lineup, and has evolved into a first-rate offering that features commissioned works, jazz legends and rising figures in the music.

The 25th annual Symphony Center Presents Jazz series looks promising, with newly commissioned and co-commissioned works from clarinetist Anat Cohen and MacArthur Fellows Jason Moran and Reginald Robinson. Of special interest: Moran will collaborate once again with the Kenwood Academy Jazz Band, a student ensemble he teamed with in 2014 to create the landmark "Looks of a Lot," which was released in album form earlier this year.

Following is the complete lineup for the next jazz series, with commentary from me and Jim Fahey, director of programming for Symphony Center Presents. For more information, visit www.cso.org or phone 312-294-3000.

Ahmad Jamal; Shahin Novrasli; Oct. 12. Still one of the most daring and original pianists in jazz, Jamal had appeared to be stepping away from the stage. "In 2014, at a concert in Prague, I disclosed to my men that I wasn't going to accept any more engagements," Jamal told *DownBeat* magazine last year. But like many great musicians who have taken a pause from performance, Jamal came roaring back, in his case with last year's album "Marseille." "We heard that after his performance here in 2014, he basically retired," says Fahey, pointing to a concert in which Jamal played as nimbly, inventively and explo-

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MONTY BRINTON/CBS

Brian Dietzen plays medical examiner Dr. Jimmy Palmer on "NCIS." His character has evolved over 15 years, Dietzen said.

MY WORST MOMENT

BIRTHDAY BLOWOUT

Brian Dietzen of 'NCIS' had rough tech rehearsal in college

BY NINA METZ
 Chicago Tribune

One advantage of playing the same role for 15 seasons? "You can transform your character over several years," said Brian Dietzen, who plays Dr. Jimmy Palmer on the long-running CBS procedural "NCIS."

Easily intimidated and a bit dorky at the outset, Palmer has grown in confidence over the years to become the team's full-time medical examiner in this season, working in the basement in his scrubs, peering over bodies and looking for clues.

And these days he's confident enough to shut down a remote Skype connection with Ducky, his old mentor, when he decides to check in to offer unsolicited advice about the case at hand.

Those scrubs mean Dietzen might be the most comfortable person on set. "I have some co-stars who have mentioned more than once that I'm the one person on 'NCIS' that gets to wear pajamas at work."

There have, of course, been uncomfortable moments in his career.

When asked about one for this column, Dietzen said: "I've got a story. Here we go."

My worst moment ...

"I was a student at the University of Colorado at Boulder and I was doing a production of Arthur Miller's 'All My Sons.' I was 20 years old and the following day was my 21st birthday. So we had our rehearsal and then that night the director, our tech director and the whole cast, we all went out and everyone was buying me drinks, as you are wont to do for someone's 21st birthday. And naturally I had far too much to drink. All those sugary cocktails with suggestive names that are just headache-inducing. Beyond the third or fourth drink is when I started losing track.

"The next day I had a tech rehearsal — but again: My director, my teachers, my good friends were buying me all these drinks so I thought, well, they're not going to get me *too* drunk because I'm the lead in this show and we have to do this tech rehearsal all day tomorrow where I'm supposed to be under the bright lights (on stage) for about 10 hours. They'll take care of me; they know they need me functioning the next day. So we're having a good time and I'm out until 3 in the morning and I have no idea how much I drank.

"Well, it was a *lot*. Because the next

morning I had a case of the 21st birthday flu. I was so hung over and I was throwing up so much, there was nothing left in me — I couldn't even drink water; everything was so sensitive to my stomach. It was just terrible. And then I get a phone call from one of my castmates like, 'Hey, you want me to pick you up?' And I'm like, 'Yeah, you better because I can't drive in this condition!'

"So he picks me up, we go in and I'm worried I'm going to be in trouble: 'Oh my God, does anyone know?' And there's everybody laughing at the fact that I was so hung over. It was the worst feeling on the planet — so much so that as I went up to do the tech rehearsal and go out on stage, I had to grab a paint bucket that was backstage and bring it with me. I knew I didn't have anything else left in me but I still felt like I was going to throw up. And then I was getting fried by these lights. Halfway through my first line I hear, 'OK, stop!' and then someone has to go up on the catwalk, adjust light and then we continue. Whenever they'd say stop, I'd literally sit down on the stage and I'd hear laughter. Everyone is cracking up and it was just awful! Those lights are

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Prince "taped everything," a representative of his estate says. Some unreleased music is due out Sept. 28.

New Prince album to come out this fall

Prince's vault is being opened again. A new album of previously unreleased music from the legendary singer will be released in September, Troy Carter, whose Atom Factory oversees Prince's estate, told Variety.

"Michael Howe, who's been working with us on the archive, has done a tremendous job of finding some special pieces of work, and one of the pieces that he found, all of us fell in love with it and decided this was special enough for fans to hear," Carter said, calling the album "time-specific."

Last week, Prince's estate released a never-before-heard version of "Nothing Compares 2 U," timed to the second anniversary of his death.

Two new websites also launched: Prince2Me, where fans can share their own memories of the "Purple Rain" singer, and an annotated discography.

"Prince recorded and rehearsed and performed constantly, and he taped everything, so once you think you've gotten close (to finding everything), you find new things," Carter told Variety.

"The vault was just one room, and that room ran over into multiple rooms, and this was (mostly) before digitization, so you have hard drives, and tapes and things like that."

The album is expected to be released Sept. 28.

— New York Daily News



RICHARD SHOTWELL/INVISION

The Rock's third Rockette: Dwayne Johnson, above, took to Instagram on Monday to show off his chest full of tattoos and his new baby girl in a hospital skin-to-skin contact moment. "Blessed and proud to bring another strong girl into this world," he wrote. "Tiana Gia Johnson came into this world like a force of nature and Mama @laurenhashianofficial labored and delivered like a true rockstar." It's his second child and second girl with Lauren Hashian. The actor also has a 16-year-old daughter with former wife Dany Garcia.

"Dancing" twins: Kym Johnson and Robert Herjavec have something to dance about. The former "Dancing With the Stars" partners have welcomed twins into the world. Johnson posted on Instagram that their "little angels" were born Monday morning. The 41-year-old says she never thought her heart could feel so full. Herjavec is the father of three children from a previous marriage. The 55-year-old businessman appears on "Shark Tank."

Comey's big week: James Comey's "A Higher Loyalty" had a very big opening week. Flatiron Books announced Tuesday that sales topped 600,000 copies, a number that includes print, audio and e-books. The former FBI director's memoir, published April 17, is the hottest political book since Michael Wolff's million-selling "Fire and Fury," which came out in January.

April 25 birthdays: Actor Al Pacino is 78. Actress Talia Shire is 72. Actress Gina Torres is 49. Actress Renee Zellweger is 49.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Grands erupt over pot paraphernalia

Dear Amy: I am the father of three kids, all boys ranging in age from 11 to 17. The two eldest share a room in our unattached guesthouse; my youngest son's room is in the main house.

Recently, my in-laws stayed with us for a week. We moved them to the guesthouse. While the boys were not thrilled, they reluctantly cleaned up and relocated for the week.

When I woke up the first morning, my in-laws were already arguing in the kitchen. My mother-in-law proceeded to show me a marijuana pipe, rolling papers and a lighter that had been hidden under the sink in the guesthouse.

I told her I would deal with it, and asked her not to say anything to the boys herself. She was furious that I would not address it immediately, and told me that she was "disappointed" in my parenting.

My mother-in-law then told my wife, who immediately scolded the two boys in front of the family, took away all of their privileges and phones, grounded them and made them apologize to their grandparents several times. I feel my wife overreacted to please her mother.

Both boys were sullen and refused to engage with the rest of the family for the rest of the week.

My mother-in-law told me that their trip was "horrible" and a "waste" because her grandchildren wouldn't talk to her. Ever since, she has bombarded my wife with comments about how "weak" I am, and how I'm a "useless father." I firmly believe she wanted me to get physical with my sons as a punishment.

Was I wrong in my approach? How can I get her to understand that I don't need to explode in anger to be effective?
— Grounded Dad

Dear Dad: I agree with your reaction and your decision for how to deal with this. I also agree with your wife's consequences, but not with how she delivered them — in anger, publicly, and without you.

The good news is that you probably won't have to endure another visit from the grandparents. They sound extremely disruptive and unsupportive. There is no excuse for them basically trashing your parenting. Your wife could help to shut down these comments by saying, "Mother, stop it."

You should not engage with your mother-in-law about this, because it is none of her business. You should save your energy for dealing with your sons. Their drug use should tell you that (at the very least) they really should not be bunking in the guesthouse. They need closer supervision, direction and clear consequences from both of their parents.

Dear Amy: My two daughters have never gotten along. They are half sisters. The older one spent half the time with her father and half with me.

I wasn't stable while they were growing up, but have worked hard to rectify that (no drugs, alcohol, etc. I am bipolar).

The older one will not speak to me, only text, which I am thankful for, but nothing she does is my business and she talks to me like I'm an idiot.

I always seem to go back for more because I love her and my granddaughter. The younger daughter is an angel. We talk every day, and I am more involved with her children.

Over Easter, I suggested a get-together; the older wouldn't let me know, so I spent the week worrying that she wouldn't come. If we wish to see her and the family, we must go to them, which is harder to do since my husband is now in a wheelchair.

How do I get past letting this affect me every birthday and holiday?
— Upset

Dear Upset: Your "angel" daughter rates a mention. Your older daughter takes up all of your space. You should try to recalibrate this balance. Anchor your plans and positive emotions to the reliable daughter, and assume that your other daughter will not participate in your relationship in the same way. Now is the time to take care of yourself.

Dear Amy: I just read your response to "Hugs Over Smooches," who wants us to teach females to set boundaries. As a female who was molested as a young girl by a man my family trusted and respected, I have three words for you: BEST. RESPONSE. EVER!
— Fan

Dear Fan: Many, many people disagree with my response, that men are the ones who need coaching. But thank you.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Grand Hotel' ★★★ 1/2

An emotional journey in late-1920s Berlin

By KERRY REID
Chicago Tribune

When it first opened in 1989, "Grand Hotel" won more plaudits for Tommy Tune's stylish direction and choreography than for its score (by Robert Wright, George Forrest and Maury Yeston) or book (by Luther Davis). The latter drew from the same 1929 novel by Vicki Baum that inspired the beloved 1932 film featuring a panoply of MGM's brightest stars, including Greta Garbo, Joan Crawford, Wallace Beery and John and Lionel Barrymore.

Director John D. Glover's staging for Kokandy Productions doesn't have the expansive Broadway

When: Through May 27
Where: Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.
Running time: 1 hour, 50 minutes
Tickets: \$40 at 773-975-8150 or www.kokandyproductions.com

stage Tune had to work with, nor the iconic star power of the film. What Glover does have is a stellar cast and a sure-handed sensibility for how to deliver this show with a mix of efficiency (it comes in at under two hours with no intermission) and emotional verve. Things happen quickly in this hotel — and yet the

people we meet leave a mark. And though the songs aren't exactly memorable, they provide nearly all the major characters a moment in the spotlight, offering poignant glimpses of the private pain they hide in the public lobby of the titular Berlin hotel.

It's a place where aristocrats, artists and industrialists come to make deals, make love or just make do with their fading prospects, from the desperate-but-dapper Baron Felix Von Gaggern (Erik Dohner, blessed with a gorgeous baritone) to the fading prima ballerina Elizaveta Grushinskaya (Michelle Jasso) to phlegmatic businessman Hermann Preysing (Jeremy Trager).



EVAN HANOVER PHOTO

Travis Austin Wright, from left, Leryn Turlington and Darren Patin in "Grand Hotel."

The musical's book does have one advantage over the film, which is the hindsight of history. Thus, when Otto Kringlein, the bookkeeper played by Lionel Barrymore in the movie, speaks openly of the discrimination he faces as a Jew in 1928, we know that his imminent death from an unnamed disease will be an easier end than what so many European Jews faced just a few years later. (Kringlein's Jewish heritage was downplayed in the film.)

And unlike in the film, where Kringlein adds to the money he's socked away by gambling, here he makes a fortune overnight on the stock market — which we know is going to crash within a year.

Jonathan Schwartz's performance as Kringlein is the emotional heart of the show. When he cuts loose in Brenda Didier's feverish choreography during "We'll Take a Glass Together" with the Baron, we feel as if we too are drunk on the last bit of life — joy found late, but perhaps not in vain.

Sometimes the political posturing gets a little obvious, as with the nameless proletariats of the hotel staff adding choral discontent in "Some Have, Some Have Not." Yet there is also

a bit of "Gosford Park" here. The European aristocracy is dying out after the Great War. It's the go-getters with eyes toward America who will probably make it out alive. Chief among these is Leryn Turlington's Flaemmchen, a stenographer/sometime escort with dreams of Hollywood stardom. Turlington takes what could be an off-the-shelf, kewpie-doll-with-a-heart-of-ice role and shows us the girlish romantic yearnings that haven't quite been squashed by living in a miserable flat where, when things break, they can't be replaced.

Jasso's dancer isn't quite as languid as Garbo — she tends more toward the histrionic than the melancholic — but she finds chemistry during her brief tryst with Dohner's Baron. As Raffaella, the dancer's assistant who suffers from unrequited love for her employer, Liz Norton combines a cool androgynous sense that she's only ever going to be second fiddle at best, picking up the pieces of a heart that breaks for others while ignoring her.

Trager's Preysing shows us the glowering man of appetites suppressed beneath the successful-man-of-business mien. And Jerry Miller's war-shat-

tered Colonel Doctor sits stage right like an elegant memento mori, taking it all in and narrating with nihilistic aplomb — and an occasional shot of morphine.

The ensemble moves fluidly in shifting the few pieces of furniture on Jeffrey D. Kmiec's spare Art Deco-inspired set, whose neutral cream-and-gray palette serves as a suitable backdrop for the fire and color of John Nasca's costumes. The three-piece band — music director Aaron Benham on piano, Elena Spiegel on violin and percussionist Tony Scandora — gives the score the feeling of a hotel tea dance, with some "hot jazz" numbers further suggesting the siren call of America's polyglot culture. Alexander Ridgers' lighting gives us both romantic shadow and harsh reality.

Kokandy's production takes us on an emotional journey not often associated with this show. By the time the ensemble drapes the furniture in dust clothes, we're saying goodbye not just to a hotel and a way of life but to a group of characters we've grown to care about, no matter how fleeting our time with them has been.

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Dazzling debut for Orlinski

Polish countertenor lifts Music of the Baroque program

BY JOHN VON RHEIN
Chicago Tribune

With solo countertenors coming out of the woodwork, you wouldn't think the classical music world really needs another. Ah, but with period performance going full-tilt, it's incumbent on the business to roll out the welcome mat whenever the next countertenor sensation should appear. And Jakub Jozef Orlinski is ready to assume that mantle. The Polish-born singer is very much the real deal.

That much was clear from the Chicago debut of the gifted, 27-year-old Juilliard-trained countertenor in a program of sacred baroque vocal and instrumental works with Music of the Baroque, Paul Agnew conducting, Monday night at the Harris Theater.

Blessed with an uncommonly beautiful voice, splendid technique and a most sensitive refinement of expression to go along with his boyishly handsome good looks, Orlinski was but one musical pillar, albeit an important one, in a reading of Giovanni Pergolesi's setting of the Stabat Mater that also introduced another impressive young singer, Sherezade Panthaki, as the soprano soloist.

Agnew's numerous seasons with MOB, as both tenor soloist in the Bach Passions and, more recently, conductor, presaged the stylish refinement of sound and feeling he achieved on behalf of Pergolesi's sacred masterpiece. The chamber orchestra of strings and organ continuo gave fluent support to the singers, who delivered their solos with conspicuous feeling and blended beautifully in their duets.

The Pergolesi combines spiritual pathos and high drama to a unique degree in sacred music. Both Agnew and Orlinski leaned toward inwardness in their shaping of phrases. The Indian-born Panthaki has the bigger, more penetrating sound of the two soloists, as one or two spiked climaxes indicated, while Orlinski "placed" the alto lines so as to provide discreet harmonic support in the duos. Their vocal interplay in "Fac ut ardeat" and "Sancta Mater" could not have been more deftly achieved.

Orlinski's pure tone and pre-



JIYANG CHEN PHOTO

Jakub Jozef Orlinski, a Polish-born and Juilliard-trained singer, made his Chicago debut in a program of baroque vocal works Monday.

cise intonation, as he sent the ornate coloratura flourishes flying in Vivaldi's "Nisi dominus," kept this sacred motet from descending into dolorous excess, just as Panthaki's seamless legato and fervent commitment to words and music in Handel's "Salve regina," a prime product of his early years at the Arcadian Academy in Rome, had this rarity falling most gracefully on the ear.

Not to be outdone, MOB concertmaster Gina DiBello brought vivacious panache and an incisive bow arm to the rapid string-crossings and other virtuosic flourishes of Vivaldi's Concerto in C major (RV 581), a sacred concerto in its own right, even if purely instrumental.

Pollini's mellow musical vision

Maurizio Pollini's annual recitals at Orchestra Hall have long since become contemplations at twilight of repertory he has trod many times before. So it was on

Sunday afternoon when the great Italian pianist presented a program of late Chopin keyboard works and the second book of Debussy's Preludes.

At 76, Pollini may no longer command the supreme technical authority that marked the pianist in his prime. Technical feats that once were achieved with effortless sweep now can feel hard-won, even dogged. Risks are fewer now, and pedaling cannot disguise occasional finger slips and smudged runs. But Pollini remains a clear-eyed musical aristocrat, an unmannered visionary of the keys, as the Debussy portion of his concert made apparent.

These dozen evocative miniatures lend themselves to his crystalline precision and wide array of dynamic gradations, as his new recording of Debussy's Book 2 Preludes, and Sunday's recital, demonstrated.

You don't look to Pollini to search out the interior qualities, glinting wit or charm other pia-

nists find in this music. What you do get is painstaking attention to Debussy's markings and a rhythmic subtlety that enlivened such a piece as "La puerta del vino," with its firm and steady habanera ostinato in the left hand.

Sometimes the pianist was too literal, missing for example the sly wit of "General Lavine — eccentric," though the liquid grace of his "Ondine" proved he hasn't lost his gift for lucid storytelling. The stately chordal progression of "Canope" conjured up the purity of an ancient world. "Feux d'artifice" exploded with a firmly marshaled energy that put Pollini in league with piano legends like Rubinstein and Arrau who also managed to keep winter at bay late in their careers.

It was with Chopin's music that Pollini came to worldwide attention nearly 60 years ago. Some listeners have long found his Chopin playing cold and unemotional, while others have welcomed the intellectual rigor he brings to this music.

On Sunday, that rigor came and went, the illumination sometimes as frustratingly dim as the stage and auditorium lighting. Chopin's mighty Sonata No. 2, with its eponymous funeral march, was, by Pollini's own high standards, rather routine, more a triumph of stamina over musical penetration. His Barcarolle, Op. 60, taken on the fast side, failed to honor Chopin's curious marking "sweetly unbridled." The unbridled part Pollini got; the sweet, he didn't.

I managed to catch two of the three encores, a shimmering Debussy "La cathédrale engloutie" ("The Sunken Cathedral") and Chopin's "Winter Wind" Etude (Op. 25, No. 11). The pianist signed off with Chopin's Berceuse. The rather cough-prone crowd of admirers was up on its feet several times, shouting and cheering.

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Marsalis, Hargrove and Robinson in mix

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sively as ever. "When we heard he was considering a return, we found a date for him." Jamal's Chicago ties run deep, for in 1958 he recorded his breakthrough album here, "Ahmad Jamal at the Pershing: But Not For Me." Novrasli, an Azerbaijani pianist Jamal has been championing, will open the concert.

Branford Marsalis Quartet with Roy Hargrove; Reginald Robinson Celebrates James Reese Europe; Nov. 2. The Marsalis Quartet stands as one of the most cohesive and enduring in jazz today, but it will be heard in a fresh context: with trumpeter Hargrove. "I went to Branford and asked if he would consider performing with a special guest," says Fahey. "I threw out a bunch of names. He came back with Roy." The evening also will feature a newly commissioned work created and performed by Chicago pianist and MacArthur Fellowship winner Reginald Robinson; the small-ensemble piece will honor groundbreaking bandleader-composer James Reese Europe, who brought African-American music to Europe during World War I (the commission marks the centennial of the end of "the war to end all wars").

Joshua Redman Quartet; Anat Cohen Tentet; Feb. 1. Redman has been a regular and welcome visitor to Chicago, most recently in a re-creation of Dexter Gordon's "Sophisticated Giant" album with Jeff Lindberg's Chicago Jazz Orchestra last month at the Studebaker Theater; this time, Redman will be joined by pianist Aaron Goldberg, bassist Reuben Rogers and drummer Gregory Hutchinson. Clarinetist Cohen will perform a concerto penned by Oded Lev-Ari in a Symphony Center co-commission with Carnegie Hall, which will present

the world premiere a few weeks earlier.

"Jazz in the Key of Ellison"

Feb. 22. Writer Ralph Ellison, author of the celebrated novel "Invisible Man," nurtured a love of jazz and friendships with many of its leading creators. Musical selections, narration and visuals come together in this program, originally produced by the New Jersey Performing Arts Center and Danny Kapilian. The Chicago incarnation of this event will feature trumpeter Nicholas Payton, the Andy Farber Orchestra and vocalists not usually associated with jazz sets: Will Downing and Nona Hendryx (plus 2017 Sarah Vaughan International Jazz Vocal Competition winner Quiana Lynell).

Paquito D'Rivera Quintet; Pedrito Martinez and Alfredo Rodriguez Duo; March 8. This event easily could have been titled "A Night in Havana," for it features Cuban artists of distinct musical perspectives. "We obviously wanted to have a Latin concert on the series, and we realized we'd never had Paquito on our stage," says Fahey, referring to the versatile reedist and NEA Jazz Master who will turn 70 in June. Percussionist Martinez and pianist Rodriguez represent a younger generation, and their collaboration in a duo setting will bring something new to Orchestra Hall.

The Bad Plus featuring Kurt Rosenwinkel; "Lean on Me: Jose James Celebrates Bill Withers"; March 15. Pianist Orrin Evans is shaking up the Bad Plus in a role originated by Ethan Iverson, but the real curveball here comes from Rosenwinkel, one of the most harmonically original and musically accessible guitarists in jazz. Here's hoping the addition of Evans and Rosenwinkel will push the band beyond



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Pianist-composer Jason Moran will renew his partnership with the Kenwood Academy Jazz Band.

pop simplicities. Singer James represents a new generation of vocalist intent on stretching musical definitions; he'll pay homage to Withers, the hit-maker behind "Lean on Me," "Ain't No Sunshine" and "Use Me."

Monterey Jazz Festival on Tour: 60th Anniversary Celebration; April 12. These star-laden tours tend to offer a once-over-lightly approach to music-making, but there's no questioning the glamour of this lineup: singer Cecile McLorin Salvant, saxophonist Melissa Aldana and trumpeter Bria Skonberg perform under the musical direction of pianist Christian Sands, with bassist Yasushi Nakamura and drummer Jamison Ross.

Chick Corea and Bela Fleck; May 3. Protean pianist Corea and master banjoist Fleck will share the Orchestra Hall stage alone. "We probably haven't had Chick

on the series enough," says Fahey. "Bela Fleck is very well-known to our audience — he's been here in different configurations." For Fahey, this will be an opportunity for "the two of them sit down and enjoy other's virtuosity."

"Two Wings: The Music of Black America in Migration"; May 24. Pianist and MacArthur Fellow Jason Moran returns with a major work he's creating for Carnegie Hall in New York, Orchestra Hall in Chicago and likely other institutions. He'll be joined by mezzo-soprano Alicia Hall Moran (his wife), gospel pianist-vocalist Pastor Smokie Norful, the Imani Winds and, in Chicago, the Kenwood Academy Jazz Band. Thus Moran will reaffirm his links to Kenwood, with which he famously collaborated in the Symphony Center commission "Looks of a Lot." "We're thrilled to help facilitate bringing them together again," says Fahey. "It's been an

amazing story." Yes, indeed.

Wayne Shorter Quartet; June 7. At 84, saxophonist-composer-bandleader Shorter stands as a towering figure in jazz, his quartet an imaginative ensemble unencumbered by traditional song structures and musical rituals. As always, Shorter will be joined by pianist Danilo Perez, bassist John Patitucci and drummer Brian Blade.

In addition to the Symphony Center Presents Jazz series, the institution will feature three special concerts: Soweto Gospel Choir's "Songs of the Free" Nov. 16, 2018; Kodo One Earth Tour 2019: "Evolution," Feb. 28, 2019; Zakir Hussain and the Masters of Percussion, April 19, 2019.

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BROADWAY REVIEW

'Summer' offers captivating spin

BY CHRIS JONES
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NEW YORK — "Who lives, who dies, who tells your story?" they sing in "Hamilton." Well, if you have control over the combination of your biography and all your hit songs, the answer is perfectly simple: you do.

There's a big difference between pop stars and politicians: the ones whose hits stay in demand can control their material and their legacy, even from beyond the grave.

Consider. You cannot make a Broadway jukebox show about Donna Summer without including her veritable cornucopia of disco-dance ditties: "I Feel Love," "MacArthur Park," "On the Radio" and the deceptively upbeat song that, for at least some of us, signaled the jarring end of a hundred nights of teenage frustration, "Last Dance."

And that's not even including "Bad Girl" and "No More Tears" ("Enough is Enough"); enough, when it comes to Summer, never really being enough. Not for we longtime fans, anyway. And unless you are in the parody business, you then need the actual life story of the singer to have a structure on which to hang all of those songs, being as they express simple feelings, not complex narratives. So since you need all of these levels of permission from the flame, or the keeper thereof, to even enter the heat of the dance-floor, your chances of telling the warts-and-all truth are, you might say, limited.

Instead what you get here is what you usually get: a valedictory experience, not an honest story, only tolerable for die-hard fans.

About the only two permissible conflicts that ever make it into these shows are (a), the suits in the record business were wrong when they kept trying to define and thus limit me, and (b), there were just so many sides of me that I barely could define my own talent. That's it. Otherwise, cue the lessons learned about the power of love and forgiveness. Which, in this case, includes a crazy-bizarre scene designed to deal with her notorious comment, "It was Adam and Eve, not Adam and



JOAN MARCUS PHOTOS

Ariana DeBose is one of three actors who portray Donna in "Summer: The Donna Summer Musical" at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre in New York.



LaChanze also plays the singer-songwriter who dominated the charts for several years with her disco-dance music.

Steve," as the Village Voice quoted her saying in 1983 in Atlantic City, among some other similarly offensive remarks constituting, *in totum*, a slap in the face to Summer's legions of gay fans during the height of the AIDS crisis.

Summer, we now are told with seeming sincerity, came to regret that line. But as they say over at "Angels in America," an after-the-fact apology does not always compensate for not

being there when a community needs you the most.

Maybe time heals. And, in fairness, most other jukebox musicals are no different when it comes to massaging an image. Honesty is not the strength of the genre.

Its strength is nostalgia, that chance to roll into a Broadway theater and roll back the years; to walk through the door of, say, Studio 54, pounds accumulated by the belly instantly

dripping away in the sweat of a dance floor, now best experienced vicariously; and to hear the siren song of melody calling you back to when you were "Hot Stuff." At least in your own mind.

Summer's music is perfect for this treatment by Des McAnuff (who both directs and shares book-writer credit with Colman Domingo and Robert Cary): her voice came with perfect pitch and a driving, irony-free intensity that was, in its disco moment, peerless. Embryonic synthesized beats may have been the starting point for many of these songs, but even in the extended dance 45s, they had no chance in any battle with Summer's voice. You only have to listen to "Love to Love You Baby," the famously sexualized studio creation of which is, to a mostly tasteful extent, re-created here. Giorgio Moroder's Moog (which looked like one of those early IBM mainframes) had no chance whatsoever.

Even when Summer's voice was distracted by the ecstatic. There was a rea-

son for Summer's coronation as the disco queen, however much the moniker came to rankle.

As is typical in these shows, it takes three Summers to sing for all of Summer: Storm Lever (Donna, really young), Ariana DeBose (young) and LaChanze (still young). They're all most worthy voices. Lever's instrument comes roaring out in the most thrilling way: DeBose also can dance her way through Sergio Trujillo's very entertaining choreography; and LaChanze, well, who among us would not like to be immortalized by LaChanze?

It is a cliché for critics to announce about musicals with less-than-distinguished books, and this is one such show with an especially egregious hole in Act 2, that the audience didn't care.

But I've sat in enough shows to say this: On Thursday night at the Lunt-Fontanne, the audience did not just respond to the music, it craved it, and the feeling it hoped it might bring, with an intensity of a

force I don't recall ever seeing before. It wasn't so much a desire for "Mamma Mia!"-style fun as something more existential, an elixir that might help you forget you'll never have that recipe again.

"Summer" comes with a pumped-up message of female empowerment that is, all at once, a cool idea (the terrific ensemble is made up entirely of women, some mostly dressed as men), justifiable given Summer's talent and drive and, given all the circumstances, a decision that at least partly seems designed to forestall any criticism. Fair enough. As Summer used to sing, giving in: "you put me in such a awful spin, in a spin, in, ahaawa, I love to love you baby."

"Summer: The Donna Summer Musical" at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre, 205 W. 46th St. in New York; thedonnasummermusical.com

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MONTY BRINTON/CBS

Brian Dietzen and Emily Wickersham work on a case in the long-running "NCIS."

Bucket part of the story

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really unforgiving. Even if you're feeling great, you'll sweat your butt off. And now picture that but there's no water in your body because you're hung over.

"Opening night was a few days later, so I was probably at 95 percent by then — that's how bad that hangover was. I wasn't even 100 percent! We had a great run, but from there on out, whenever I did a show there — which was several more — whenever we did a tech rehearsal, there was always a paint bucket waiting for me in my dressing room!"

The takeaway ...

"Man, it really (stinks) to be on stage dehydrated and hung over and possibly still

drunk!

"But at the end of the day it was probably the best learning experience I had. There are certain things that you can control and certain things you can't, and I think your 21st birthday is one of those things you just can't.

"But really what it comes down to is preparation — for any kind of artistic or acting endeavor — you really have to put yourself in the best place to win and I just plain didn't! I think if you're going to make that mistake and learn from it, college was the place to do it. It was a great production, but it wasn't something where there were hundreds of investors.

"Tech rehearsals aren't the most acting-intensive things, but it is someone

else's art form. It's the lighting designer's art form, it's the sound designer's art form. It's so many other people's day to figure things out and I was sitting there feeling like a (jerk) about to throw up in a paint bucket. I felt pretty bad about being 'that guy' on those artists' day. So I just kind of decided, I'm never going to get really drunk before any performances — even a tech rehearsal.

"Now, if I'm working the next day, I'm just trying to get to bed. I don't even drink that much anymore, but I just want to make sure that I have my stuff ready for tomorrow and I'm ready to go in and swing hard."

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Musical opens Venus venue

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a way to go when it comes to the rich emotional revelation that has been a signature feature of the company to the north. But he has a couple of baked-in advantages: one is an Equity contract offering access to the city's experienced roster of artists and the other is the upscale ambiance that you can imagine drawing many folks from this and nearby neighborhoods looking for a date night with a touch of glam.

The ticket prices of \$50 to \$65 are very competitive, given that the price includes a cheese-and-charcuterie appetizer (or desert) and a slice of birthday cake.

The conceit there is that Bobby's 35th birthday party — a moment of personal crisis for the still-single in 1970 — is taking place all around the theater and that the audience members are among the invited guests. Some Sondheim purists will cringe at the very thought, but Stearns' savvy idea works perfectly well, and it allows the actors to get out and among the audience, not to mention making aesthetic sense of the space itself. Stearns is directing the relatively updated version of the piece (Furth and Sondheim revised the



BRETT A. BEINER PHOTO

Nicole Arnold, from left, Jenna Coker-Jones, Greg Foster and David Sajewich in "Company" at the Mercury Theater.

When: Through June 3

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libretto in the early 1990s) and, given the use of a series of arty video backdrops of today's New York and contemporary costuming, I suspect some in the audience who did not know the piece thought it a recent creation. After all, the fundamental issues and traumas of relationships, perfect and otherwise, change less than we think.

What you are watching is competent and, for the most part, honest. And since "Company" is a masterpiece and rarely enjoyed in such intimacy,

that is enough for a worthy evening. In a perfect world, David Sajewich, who plays the lead, would have more definition, but that is the perennial risk of this role, which can easily become a cipher, although that hardly is ideal — Bobby has to take charge of being Bobby. There are also a pair of terrific performances in key roles: Allison Sill, whom I wish we saw more of in general, is a quirky but moving April, and Heather Townsend's caustic take on "The Ladies Who Lunch" would please the pickiest consumers of that particular slice of withering satire. Add some very warm performers in the smaller roles and you have a very pleasant "Company," especially if, as did I, you also bring along some of your own.

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WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Moon Bloodgood

"Code Black" (9 p.m., CBS): The medical drama begins its third season — again with some casting changes, which its producers explain reflects the true nature of emergency rooms, where staffing switches aren't uncommon. In the aptly titled "Third Year," Leanne (Marcia Gay Harden) tries to adopt Ariel (Emily Alyn Lind), while Willis (Rob Lowe) changes career gears to work in the field with paramedic Rox (new series co-star Moon Bloodgood).

"The Goldbergs" (7 p.m., ABC): In an episode that takes its title from the classic song "Parents Just Don't Understand," Adam and Barry (Sean Giambrone, Troy Gentile) devise their own variation of it — drawing an unexpected response from Murray (Jeff Garlin). Beverly (Wendi McLendon-Covey) invades Erica's (Hayley Orrantia) space, at least figuratively, with continual phone calls. George Segal also stars.

"Modern Family" (8 p.m., ABC): A decade after Jay and Gloria (Ed O'Neill, Sofia Vergara) got married, with Claire (Julie Bowen) as a very dour guest, she tries to make amends to the couple by giving them a gala anniversary party in "Ten Years Later." Phil (Ty Burrell) wants to live up the event by staging a magic trick involving Gloria and her wedding dress. Fred Savage directed the tale, which features a return appearance by guest star Shelley Long.

"SEAL Team" (8:01 p.m., CBS): Ray (Neil Brown Jr.) adopts an alias to infiltrate an operation in a spice market, and execute a sting involving significant money, in the new episode "Takedown." Jason's (David Boreanaz) prime concern is a known terrorist whose attire of choice is a suicide belt. Max Thieriot, Jessica Pare, A.J. Buckley and Toni Trucks also star.

"Designated Survivor" (9 p.m., ABC): How much should or shouldn't be said is a big question for each of the members of President Kirkman's (Kiefer Sutherland) staff in the new episode "Capacity," as lawyer Ethan West (guest star Michael J. Fox) starts his probe of the chief executive by questioning those in the White House inner circle. Zoe McLellan, Ben Lawson, Kal Penn and Maggie Q also star.

"My Partner Knows Best" (9:02 p.m., Lifetime): Actor Jason Biggs ("Orange Is the New Black") and his wife, actress and author Jenny Mollen, host this new relationship comedy game show, which tests how well married couples know each other as they compete in a series of challenges based on real-life relationship obstacles. Three couples compete every week.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comic Jim Jefferies; actor Chris Gethard; actor Joe Machi.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Professional tennis player Serena Williams; actress Priyanka Chopra; illusionist David Blaine.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Lucy Liu; actor Henry Winkler; Run the Jewels performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actors Chris Hemsworth, Chadwick Boseman, Karen Gillan, Sebastian Stan and Josh Brolin; Middle Kids performs.*

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CABLE	AE	Storage	Storage (N)	Storage (N)	(9:01) Flip Wars (N) ©	Storage ▶			
	AMC	Independence Day (PG-13,'96) ★★	Will Smith, Bill Pullman.	©	Fantastic ▶				
	ANIM	Tanked ©	Tanked: Supersized: "Fueled by Fish." (N)		Tanked ▶				
	BBCA	Gangs of New York (R,'02) ★★	Leonardo DiCaprio, Daniel Day-Lewis. ©						
	BET	★ (6:25) Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son ('11) ★		A Madea Christmas (PG-13,'13) ★★					
	BIGTEN	★ Softball (N) The BIG	College Softball (N Tape)		The BIG				
	BRAVO	Housewives/NYC	Housewives/NYC (N)	Sell It Like Serhant (N)	Watch (N)				
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©	Politics		
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©	Shark Tank ©	Staten Island Hustle (N)	Shark ▶				
	CNN	James Comey: Truth (N)	Town Hall (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	Tonight (N) ▶				
	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Daily (N) ▶		
	DISC	Street Outlaws: Full	Street Outlaws: "OK, Let's Do This." (N) ©		Outlaws ▶				
	DISN	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Stuck	Stuck	Bizaardvark	
	E!	Hollywood Medium	Hollywood Medium (N)	Hollywood Medium	E! News ▶				
	ESPN	★ MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Cleveland Indians. (N)		SportsCenter (N) (Live) ©	SportCtr (N)				
	ESPN2	★ SpoCenter	Rookie	Rookie	QB2RB	QB2QB	NFL		
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) ©	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News				
	FOOD	Iron Chef Gauntlet ©	Iron Chef Gauntlet (N) ©	Iron Chef America ©	Iron Chef ▶				
	FREE	Famous in Love (N) ©	(8:01) The House Bunny (PG-13,'08) ★★	Anna Faris.	700 Club ▶				
	FX	★ (6) Captain America: The Winter Soldier ('14) ★★		The Americans (N) ©					
HALL	Full House	Full House	Full House	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls			
HGTV	Property Brothers ©	Property Brothers (N) ©	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Boise Boys				
HIST	American Pickers ©	American Pickers (N) ©	(9:03) American Pickers	Pickers ▶					
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic			
IFC	Rush Hour (PG-13,'98) ★★	Jackie Chan. ©	Brookmire	The Social Network ★★					
LIFE	Little Women: LA (N) ©	Little Women: LA (N) ©	My Partner (Series Premiere) (N)	Little ▶					
MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)	11th Hour (N)					
MTV	Jersey Shore--Vacation	Jersey Shore--Vacation	Catfish: The TV Show (N)	Catfish ▶					
NBCSCH	★ MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Cleveland Indians. (N)		Postgame	The Loop (N)	The Loop (N)				
NICK	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©			
Ovation	★ (6:30) Conan the Destroyer (PG,'84) ★★		The Wine Show (N)	Silverado ▶					
OWN	20/20 on OWN ©	20/20 on ID ©	20/20 on OWN ©	20/20 ▶					
OXY	NCIS: "Ignition." ©	NCIS: "Masquerade." ©	NCIS: "Mother's Day." ©	NCIS ©					
PARMT	Friends ©	Friends ©	Draft Day (PG-13,'14) ★★	Kevin Costner, Jennifer Garner. ©					
SYFY	★ (5:05) Shooter ('07) ★★	The Expanse (N) ©	Krypton: "Civil Wars." (N)	Shooter ★★					
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full (N)	Conan (N) ▶			
TCM	Young Man With a Horn (NR,'50) ★★	Kirk Douglas.	The Breaking Point (NR,'50) ★★	★					
TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: "Melissa Morris." (N) ©		(9:02) Skin Tight (N)	My 600-Lb ▶					
TLN	Humanitarian	Diane	The Three	Exalted	Tru News	Robison			
TNT	★ NBA Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)	NBA Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)							
TOON	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy		
TRAV	Expedition Unknown ©	Expedition Unknown (N)	Locations	Locations	Locations	Expedition ▶			
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Mom ©	Mom ©	King		
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Suits: "Tiny Violin." (N)	(8:57) Suits (Season Finale) (N) ©	Law-SVU ▶					
VH1	Black Ink Crew ©	Black Ink Crew (N) ©	Hip Hop (N)	Hip Hop (N)	Black Ink ▶				
WE	Law & Order: "Untitled." ©	Law & Order: "Narcosis." ©	Law & Order ©	Law ▶					
WGN America	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©			
PREMIUM	HBO	Wyatt Cenac	War for the Planet of the Apes (PG-13,'17) ★★	Andy Serkis.	Girls Trip ▶				
	HBO2	Barry ©	Elvis Presley: The Searcher: "Part 1." ©	Elvis Presley ▶					
	MAX	Altitude (R,'10) Jessica Lowndes. ©	Passenger 57 (R,'92) ★★	Wesley Snipes.	Abandon ★				
	SHO	The Girl on the Train (R,'16) ★★	Emily Blunt.	Single White Female (R,'92) ★★	★				
	STARZ	★ (6:26) 2012 (PG-13,'09) ★★	John Cusack. ©	Lord of the Rings ▶					
STZNC	★ (5:51) Ghost ('90) ★★	Mission: Impossible 2 (PG-13,'00) ★★	Tom Cruise.	From Dusk ▶					

Is 'Scorpion' coming back?

BY RICH HELDENFELS
Tribune News Service

You have questions. I have some answers.

Q: Has "Scorpion" been on its last mission? I didn't see any promos about the April 16 episode being the season finale. But it looked as though it may have been the series finale. Will it be coming back?

A: In a press release about the April 16 episode, CBS called it the season finale of "Scorpion." CBS has not said what "Scorpion's" future is, and final word may have to wait until mid-May when CBS unveils its full plans for 2018-19.

CBS has already picked up 17 other shows for next season, including 10 dramas. They include: "48 Hours," "60 Minutes," "The

Amazing Race," "The Big Bang Theory," "Blue Bloods," "Bull," "Hawaii Five-0," "Madam Secretary," "MacGyver," "Mom," "NCIS," "NCIS: Los Angeles," "NCIS: New Orleans," "SEAL Team," "Survivor," "S.W.A.T." and "Young Sheldon."

Q: I was wondering if "The Deuce" will still be on HBO or is it canceled? I know James Franco has some #MeToo problems.

A: A second season of the HBO drama about the sex and porn businesses in New York City is in production. Earlier this year, five women accused Franco of sexual misconduct on different projects; he has denied the allegations.

In February "The Deuce" co-creator David Simon told Variety that on the show: "We have no complainant or complaint

or any awareness of any incident of concern involving Mr. Franco. Nor has HBO been approached with any complaint. In our experience, he was entirely professional as an actor, director, and producer."

Q: When will our favorite socially inept narcissist Larry David be back with more "Curb Your Enthusiasm"?

A: New episodes of "Curb" always seemed to depend on when Larry David felt like making more. The eighth season, for example, ended in September 2011, and the ninth did not begin until October 2017. Yes, six years later.

But HBO announced plans for Season 10 last December, not long after the ninth season ended, and that caused hope that we might get new episodes late this year. Before the



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Ari Stidham, from left, Eyles Gabel and Eddie Kaye Thomas play members of the team on "Scorpion." CBS has not said whether it is renewing the drama for another season.

ninth season began, David promised The Hollywood Reporter that "if I do another season, I'm not going to wait five years."

Do you have a question or comment about entertainment past, present and future? Write to Rich Heldenfels, P.O. Box 417,

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'Sneaky Pete' star's career choice settled by 'Streetcar'

BY ARIANA BROCKINGTON
Variety

Giovanni Ribisi has chalked up television and film credits every year since he started acting as a pre-teen in 1985. He's played a range of characters in a variety of productions, from a doomed medic in 1998's "Saving Private Ryan" to Scarlett Johansson's fashion-photographer husband in 2003's "Lost in Translation" to an officious administrator in 2009's "Avatar." He stars in Amazon Prime's "Sneaky Pete," now in its second season, as a con man who has assumed his cellmate's identity.

Ribisi calls the show's shooting schedule "grueling and difficult," squeezing 10 hours of content within 4½ months. He allows that the job requires stamina but credits the writers, cast and crew with keeping him inspired and



MICHAEL LOCCISANO/GETTY

Giovanni Ribisi started acting as a child. He is starring in Amazon Prime's "Sneaky Pete," now in its second season.

focused.

Variety first mentioned Ribisi on Sept. 27, 1985, in the cast list of the second-season premiere of NBC's hit series "Highway to Heaven," playing a child battling cancer. The following is an edited transcript.

Q: What do you remember about being on the set of "Highway to Heaven"?

A: There are so many things — that was one of my first jobs. I remember being completely bald and just

the surreal thing of like, "Oh, this is what it's like to be an actor. You have to do things like that."

Q: Besides acting, what other career did you consider?

A: I was so embarrassed by (acting) I didn't want to do it. I wanted to be a musician. Until somebody pointed out a film called "A Streetcar Named Desire" when I was 16, and that changed everything for me.

Q: What about that film changed your perspective?

A: Marlon Brando's performance. ... Everybody in that movie. It was (directed by) Elia Kazan. I couldn't stop watching it. It was also the nostalgia for another era — I felt that I was transported. It made me very curious again.

Q: What advice have you carried with you throughout your career?

A: I studied acting for 12 years based on (the principles of) the Actors Studio and the films that were being made around that time. The foundation is about being committed to what you want to do — success is almost secondary. The definition of what might be successful for somebody that came from the industry (then) is different from what it is today, I think.

Q: Did you find it difficult to transition from being a child actor?

A: No. It didn't matter about transition as much as it mattered I felt like there was something now that I wanted to chase and aspire to. That never really left me.

Q: Who were some of your early mentors?

A: The first actor I looked up to was an actor by the name of Geoffrey Lewis, who passed away

recently; I knew him when I was a kid. I don't know if you've seen that film "Heaven's Gate," but he's phenomenal in that. He has a scene where he grabs Mickey Rourke's tongue. It's perfect. Then from there, of course, Marlon Brando, Robert De Niro, Gary Oldman has always been a huge inspiration for me — his sense of humor, his ability to transform himself. He's incredible. Cate Blanchett, Meryl Streep, of course.

Q: Starting out, did you want to take specific types of roles?

A: No, never really a specific type of role, but a lot of it funnels down to storytelling. For me, it evolved into wanting to focus on directing and writing and filmmaking. I love all aspects of filmmaking. I've done cinematography; I've been a grip and an electrician. It's my passion.

Horoscopes



Today's birthday (April 25): Fall in love again this year. Reimagine old dreams and passions for new aims. Revise career goals and ambitions. Summer brings great results for writing, publishing and communications before family joys distract. Schedule winter investigation through higher education and travel. Adventure together.

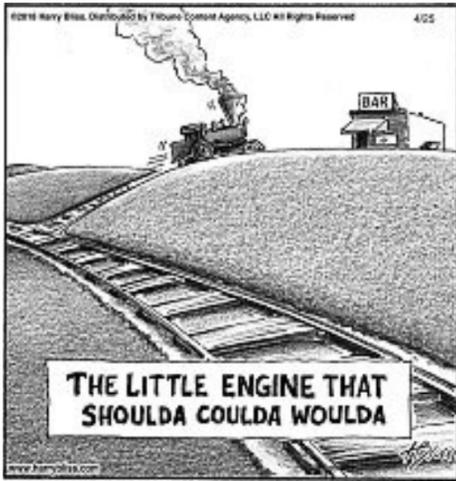
Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Stick to practical health and fitness objectives. Choose stability over illusion. Listen to a critic who may be right. Strengthen the heart factor.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. A romance doesn't fit a fantasy. Something that used to work no longer does. Don't argue with a brick wall. Compassion soothes. Family comes first.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Focus on home and family. Provide stability and emotional support to someone you love. Settle into domestic comforts and flavors. Share delicious touches.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. The situation before updating communications. Catch up on the reading. Welcome contributions from others. A new assignment could disrupt the status quo.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Monitor income and finances to stay on track with long-term goals. Research a purchase for value and quality. Hold out for the best deal.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Focus on practical personal matters. Try a new style or look. Don't waste effort on a fantasy. Keep secrets and confidences. Polish your presentation.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Rest, and finish up old projects before making new messes. Postpone travel or expense, and stick to practical priorities. Private productivity satisfies.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Team projects can advance if you avoid distractions and mirages. Keep your objective in mind. Stick to simple steps. Make sure you know what's required.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Practice makes perfect with a professional challenge. Don't force anything. All isn't as it appears. Remain open to shifting circumstances and stay light on your feet.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Stick to reliable routes and sources. Determine your landing spot before departing. Resist impulsive urges, and watch your step. Avoid risky situations.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Join forces with another for funding. Get strategic rather than impulsive or reactionary. In a stalemate, don't ask for favors. Avoid a conflict of interests.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Get a partner's view. Reality could clash with a fantasy; support each other through a discovery. What you get isn't what you expected.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, West deals

North		East	
♠ K 9	♥ 8 5 3	♠ J 8 7	♥ 10 7 6
♦ J 6 5 4	♣ K 8 5 3	♦ A 8 7 2	♣ 9 7 4
West		South	
♠ Q 6 5 4 3	♥ Q J	♠ A 10 2	♥ A K 9 4 2
♦ Q 3	♣ Q 10 6 2	♦ K 10 9	♣ A J

Today's deal is from a Schools Championship in Europe some years ago. West was a young man from France, Romain Tembourret.

The opening spade lead went around to East's jack and South's ace. When the ace of trumps felled the jack from West, declarer became concerned about a possible bad split in trumps. He crossed to dummy with the king of spades and led a low heart, playing his nine when East played low.

The bidding:

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

Opening lead: Four of ♠

Tembourret won with his queen and exited with the only card in his hand that would give declarer a problem — the three of diamonds.

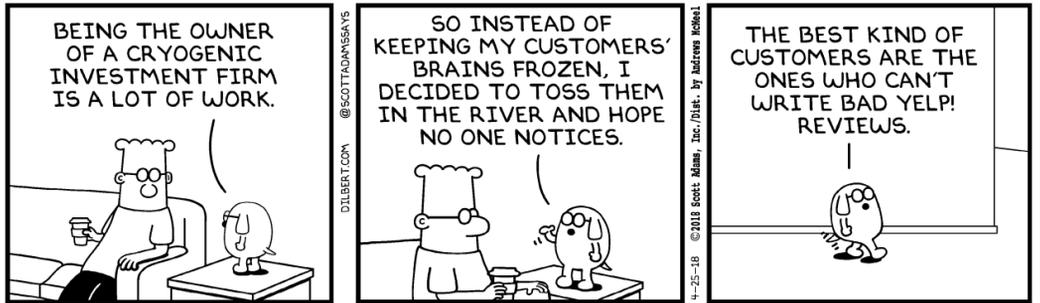
East won this with his ace and played his remaining trump.

South was beginning to think that he should have ruffed a spade while he had a chance, but he still believed that he could make his contract. Declarer thought that Tembourret held the queen of spades and a guarded queen of diamonds, so he cashed all of his hearts before leading the jack of clubs to the king and a club back to his ace.

South was down to the bare 10 of spades and the king-10 of diamonds. He was certain that West was down to the bare queen of spades and the queen-low in diamonds, so he exited with his spade expecting West to be end-played into leading a diamond for him. Instead, Tembourret won with his queen of spades and cashed the six of spades to defeat the contract. Nice play!

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert



Baby Blues



Zits



Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



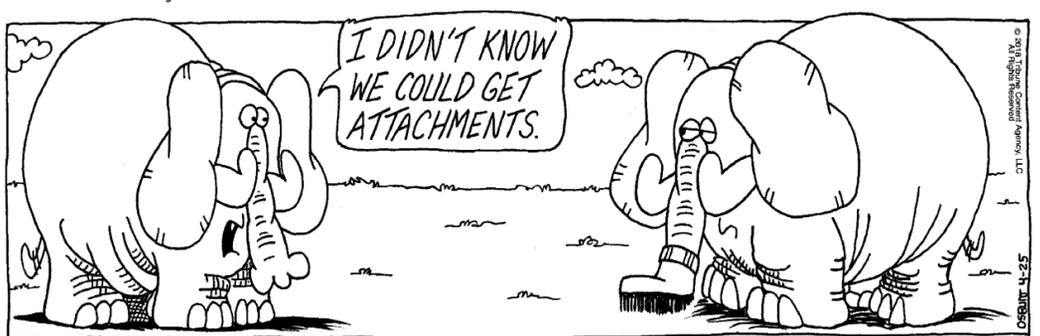
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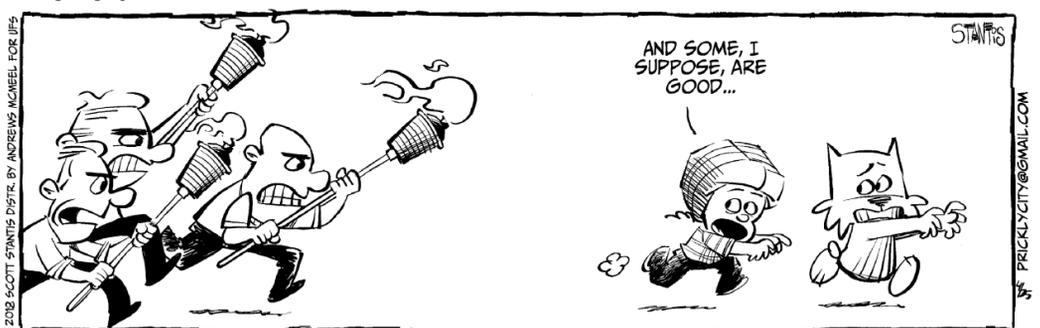
Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers



Prickly City



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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25 NORMAL HIGH: 63° NORMAL LOW: 42° RECORD HIGH: 87° (1990) RECORD LOW: 27° (1887)

Gusty northeast winds to bring cooler air back

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 49 **LOW** 33

■ Cool Canadian source high pressure centered north of Lake Superior will send north to northeast winds off the chilly waters of Lake Michigan across the Chicago area.

■ Sunny but cool. Temperatures take a downturn on brisk northeast winds of 15-25 mph. Highs reach the upper 40s to mid 50s well inland while remain closer to the 40 degree mark along and just inland of the Lake Michigan shoreline.

■ Clear and cool overnight as northeast winds diminish.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Northeast winds 15 to 25 mph on the leading edge of cool high pressure centered north of Lake Superior will prevail across the Chicago area Wednesday. As a result, Chicagoans will experience about a 10- to 15-degree cool-down from Tuesday's readings with highs in the lower to middle 40s along the Lake Michigan shoreline to 50s at far inland locations.

As the high pressure quickly moves off to the east, southwest winds will initiate a quick turnaround in temperatures Thursday, with highs surging back into the 60s nearly area-wide.

A cold front will likely cool things down again Friday into Saturday, but a big change in the jet stream flow aloft will set the stage for a significant warming trend, which will see temperatures reach toward the 80s the first part of next week.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

HIGH 63 **LOW** 40

Sunny skies and southwest winds help the temperatures return to the 60s for most of the area, although readings will be cooler right along the lakefront. Clouds increase with a chance of light showers overnight.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

HIGH 55 **LOW** 38

Slight chance of lingering showers early, especially southeast. Becoming partly sunny with highs in the middle 50s. Partly cloudy overnight. Westerly winds.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

HIGH 56 **LOW** 43

Partly sunny with little temperature change from Friday - highs in the middle 50s. Clearing skies at night. Breezy winds out of the north become light and variable at night.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

HIGH 63 **LOW** 48

Sunny skies and light winds out of the south-southeast push inland temperatures into the 60s while readings along the lakefront are in the 40s to lower 50s. Mostly clear skies at night.

MONDAY, APRIL 30

HIGH 78 **LOW** 59

Mostly sunny, gusty winds out of the southwest and warmer with highs 75-80. Partly cloudy overnight.

TUESDAY, MAY 1

HIGH 83 **LOW** 59

Sun shines through increasing cloudiness, gusty winds out of the southwest and warm with highs 80-85. Thickening and lowering clouds overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
So far this month, we have had snow on nine days, six with measurable snow and three with just a trace. Is that unusual for April?

— Chuck Kennell

Dear Chuck,
While this month's total snowfall of 3.2 inches makes April 2018 as the 13th snowiest April dating to 1885, nine days with observed snowfall constitute the second-greatest number for April, trailing only April 1950, which recorded 11. Despite the record 11 days with snow, the total snowfall was just 1 inch with traces falling on eight of the 11 days. In terms of days with measurable snow, the six days this April are also good enough for second place, runner-up to seven days in April 1910, a month that delivered 5.7 inches of snow.

Surprisingly, the city's snowiest April, in 1938, logged 13.8 inches of measurable snow from just three days.

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Wednesday's temp downturn to stir waves on Lake Michigan

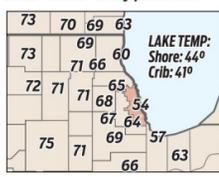
WAVE HEIGHT FORECAST

Projected Wednesday 11 AM



TUESDAY'S HIGHS

Large temp spread across metro area—10-20° away from lake



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

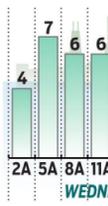
WARM WEEK AHEAD

Predicted temperature departures

Next week—covers the period Sunday through Friday

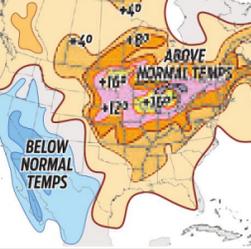


WAVE FORECAST (in feet)



SUMMER-LEVEL WARMTH EARLY NEXT WEEK

Predicted Tuesday high temperatures



FIRST 80s IN RECENT YEARS

2017	Mar. 24	82°
2016	April 18	83°
2015	May 7	83°
2014	April 12	80°
2013	April 30	85°
2012	Mar. 14	81°

EARLIEST: Mar. 30, 1974 80°
LATEST: June 1, 1973 83°
LONG-TERM AVERAGE SINCE 1871: April 26
SINCE 1943 (Inland Locs.): April 21

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MIDWEST CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	cl	66	44	pc	65	45
Carbondale	pc	61	39	pc	63	43
Champaign	pc	63	36	pc	63	43
Decatur	pc	63	36	pc	63	43
Moline	pc	63	36	pc	64	44
Peoria	pc	61	36	pc	64	45
Quincy	cl	62	41	pc	67	47
Rockford	pc	60	33	pc	66	46
Springfield	pc	64	39	pc	66	46
Sterling	pc	63	34	pc	66	42
Indiana	pc	64	39	pc	63	42
Bloomington	pc	66	44	pc	64	43
Evansville	pc	66	44	pc	64	43
Fort Wayne	pc	61	34	pc	62	41
Indianapolis	pc	63	38	pc	63	42
Lafayette	pc	59	33	pc	62	41
South Bend	pc	50	30	pc	60	39
Wisconsin	su	55	33	pc	63	35
Green Bay	su	53	33	pc	63	35
Kenosha	pc	49	32	pc	60	38
La Crosse	su	60	37	sh	66	37
Madison	su	57	34	pc	64	37
Milwaukee	su	50	34	pc	63	38
Wausau	su	57	33	cl	61	32
Michigan	sh	52	35	su	61	40
Detroit	sh	52	35	su	61	40
Grand Rapids	pc	58	34	pc	60	39
Marquette	su	41	33	cl	57	30
St. Ste. Marie	pc	45	28	pc	59	34
Traverse City	pc	47	30	pc	60	34
Iowa	pc	63	38	cl	67	36
Ames	pc	63	38	cl	67	36
Cedar Rapids	pc	64	40	sh	67	39
Des Moines	su	64	40	sh	68	40
Dubuque	su	62	36	pc	66	40

OTHER U.S. CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	su	58	43	su	77	47
Albuquerque	su	73	51	su	79	46
Amarillo	su	61	38	pc	69	36
Anchorage	sh	47	37	sh	47	37
Asheville	cl	63	49	rr	61	47
Aspen	su	61	34	su	59	32
Atlanta	pc	70	52	rr	64	49
Atlantic City	sh	59	50	pc	67	48
Austin	sh	65	54	su	81	56
Baltimore	pc	56	52	su	71	56
Billings	pc	66	35	su	63	40
Birmingham	cl	73	55	ts	64	50
Bismarck	pc	69	38	su	62	39
Burlington	pc	77	47	su	82	52
Boston	rr	52	50	sh	64	48
Brownsville	pc	86	69	cl	76	66
Buffalo	sh	54	39	sh	53	38
Burlington	rr	54	46	sh	53	42
Charlotte	pc	74	54	ts	72	55
Charlottesville	pc	77	59	pc	73	62
Charlottesville	pc	60	43	pc	63	45
Chattanooga	sh	68	53	rr	59	48
Cheyenne	su	63	43	pc	53	29
Cincinnati	sh	61	41	pc	63	43
Cleveland	sh	47	38	pc	51	41
Colorado Spgs	su	62	39	pc	57	33
Columbia MO	sh	62	44	pc	68	47
Columbia SC	pc	77	57	cl	76	57
Columbus	sh	57	38	pc	62	41
Concord	su	52	47	sh	61	41
Corpus Christi	sh	63	62	pc	73	64
Crestview	sh	70	49	su	75	54
Dallas	su	81	59	pc	82	63
Daytona Bch.	su	68	42	pc	59	34
Denver	su	57	40	sh	53	34
Duluth	pc	77	54	pc	88	57
El Paso	pc	77	54	pc	88	57
Fairbanks	pc	49	25	pc	48	24
Fargo	pc	65	41	su	54	41
Flagstaff	pc	73	36	pc	75	39
Fort Myers	pc	83	62	pc	80	67
Fort Smith	rr	60	48	sh	62	50
Fresno	su	91	58	su	85	54
Grand Junction	su	74	47	su	75	45
Great Falls	rr	46	39	su	70	39
Harrisburg	pc	62	47	pc	68	50
Hartford	rr	56	50	pc	65	44
Helena	cl	64	34	su	68	35
Honolulu	pc	82	72	sh	81	71
Houston	pc	86	60	su	78	57
Int'l Falls	pc	62	36	pc	48	31
Jackson	pc	78	56	sh	69	52
Jacksonville	pc	83	62	pc	85	65
Janeau	rr	46	39	su	50	35
Kansas City	rr	54	44	pc	69	46
Las Vegas	pc	92	68	su	96	71
Lincoln	sh	63	45	sh	65	43
Lexington	rr	59	38	sh	61	36
Little Rock	rr	71	50	cl	68	52
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HEALTH & FAMILY

Vitamin benefits questioned

Seniors heeding outdated advice, some docs say

BY LIZ SZABO
Kaiser Health

When she was a young physician, Dr. Martha Gulati noticed that many of her mentors were prescribing vitamin E and folic acid to patients. Preliminary studies in the early 1990s had linked both supplements to a lower risk of heart disease.

She urged her father to take the pills, as well: "Dad, you should be on these vitamins, because every cardiologist is taking them or putting their patients on (them)," recalled Gulati, now chief of cardiology for the University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix.

But just a few years later, she found herself reversing course, after rigorous clinical trials found neither vitamin E nor folic acid supplements did anything to protect the heart. Even worse, studies linked high-dose vitamin E to a higher risk of heart failure, prostate cancer and death from any cause.

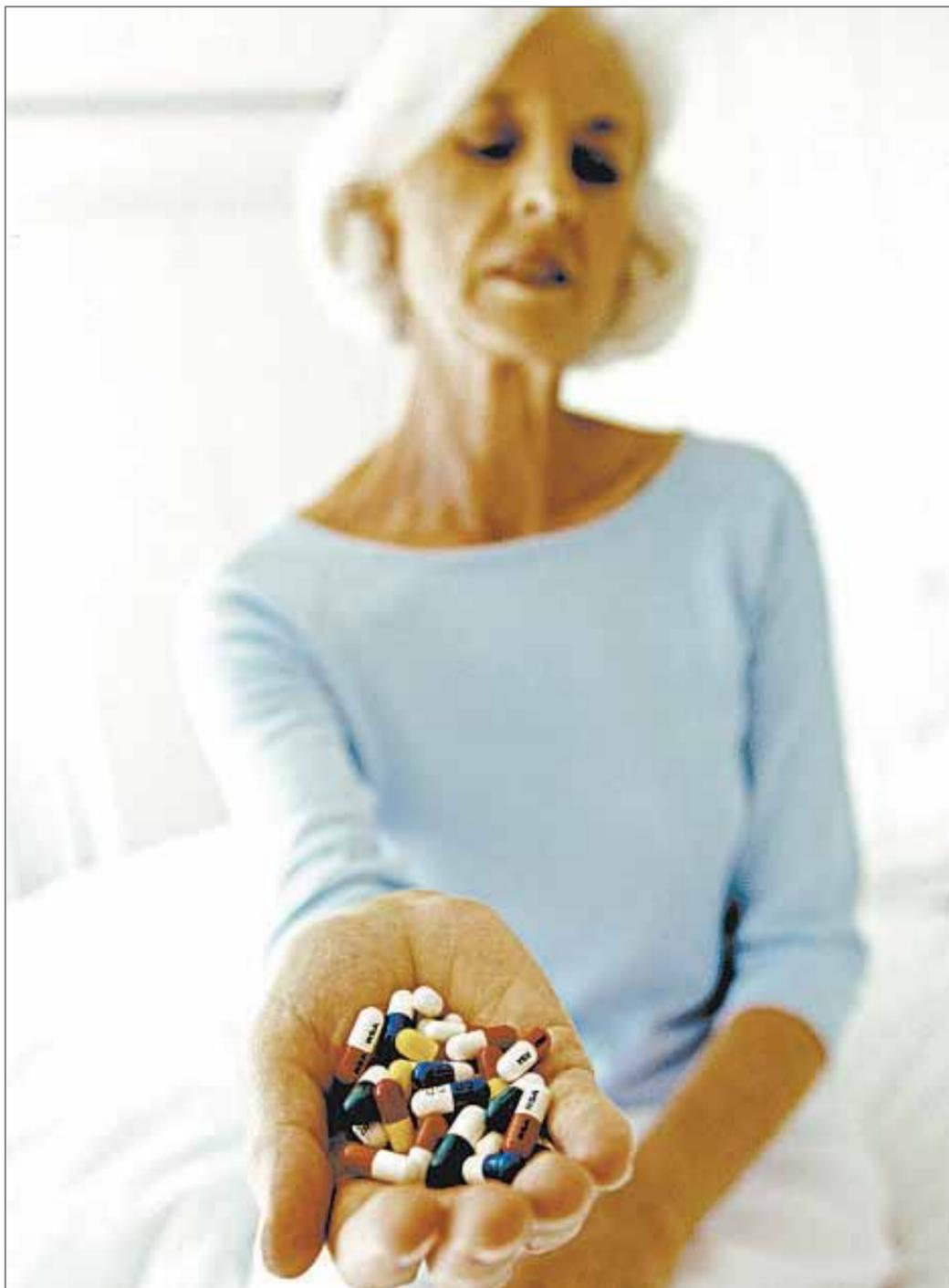
"You might want to stop taking (these)," Gulati told her father.

More than half of Americans take vitamin supplements, including 68 percent of those age 65 and older, according to a 2013 Gallup poll. Among older adults, 29 percent take four or more supplements of any kind, according to a Journal of Nutrition study published in 2017.

Often, preliminary studies fuel irrational exuberance about a promising dietary supplement, leading millions of people to buy in to the trend. Many never stop. They continue even though more rigorous studies — which can take many years to complete — almost never find that vitamins prevent disease, and in some cases cause harm.

"The enthusiasm does tend to outpace the evidence," said Dr. JoAnn Manson, chief of preventive medicine at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital.

There's no conclusive evidence that dietary supplements prevent chronic disease in the average American, Manson said. And while a handful of vitamin and mineral studies have had positive results, those findings haven't been strong enough to recommend supplements to the general U.S. public, she



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said.

The National Institutes of Health has spent more than \$2.4 billion since 1999 studying vitamins and minerals. Yet for "all the research we've done, we don't have much to show for it," said Dr. Barnett Kramer, director of cancer prevention at the National Cancer Institute.

A big part of the problem, Kramer said, could be that much nutrition research has been based on faulty assumptions, including the notion that people need more vitamins and minerals than a typical diet provides; that megadoses are always safe; and that

scientists can boil down the benefits of vegetables like broccoli into a daily pill.

Vitamin-rich foods can cure diseases related to vitamin deficiency. Oranges and limes were famously shown to prevent scurvy in vitamin-deprived 18th century sailors. And research has long shown that populations that eat a lot of fruits and vegetables tend to be healthier than others.

But when researchers tried to deliver the key ingredients of a healthy diet in a capsule, Kramer said, those efforts nearly always failed.

It's possible that the chemicals in the fruits and

vegetables on your plate work together in ways that scientists don't fully understand — and which can't be replicated in a tablet, said Marjorie McCullough, strategic director of nutritional epidemiology for the American Cancer Society.

More important, perhaps, is that most Americans get plenty of the essentials, anyway.

Although the Western diet has a lot of problems — too much sodium, sugar, saturated fat and calories, in general — it's not short on vitamins, said Alice Lichtenstein, a professor at the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and

Policy at Tufts University.

And although there are more than 90,000 dietary supplements from which to choose, federal health agencies and advisers still recommend that Americans meet their nutritional needs with food, especially fruits and vegetables.

Also, American food is highly fortified — with vitamin D in milk, iodine in salt, B vitamins in flour, even calcium in some brands of orange juice.

Someone who eats a typical lunch or breakfast "is essentially eating a multivitamin," said journalist Catherine Price, author of "Vitamina: How Vita-

mins Revolutionized the Way We Think About Food."

That can make studying vitamins even more complicated, Price said. Researchers may have trouble finding a true control group, with no exposure to supplemental vitamins. If everyone in a study is consuming fortified food, vitamins may appear less effective.

The body naturally regulates the levels of many nutrients, such as vitamin C and many B vitamins, Kramer said, by excreting what it doesn't need in urine. He added: "It's hard to avoid getting the full range of vitamins."

Not all experts agree.

Dr. Walter Willett, a professor at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, says it's reasonable to take a daily multivitamin "for insurance." Willett said that clinical trials underestimate supplements' true benefits because they aren't long enough, often lasting five to 10 years. It could take decades to notice a lower rate of cancer or heart disease in vitamin takers, he said.

Taking megadoses of vitamins and minerals, using amounts that people could never consume through food alone, can be problematic.

Early studies, for example, suggested that beta carotene, a substance found in carrots, might help prevent cancer.

In the tiny amounts provided by fruits and vegetables, beta carotene and similar substances appear to protect the body from a process called oxidation, which damages healthy cells, said Dr. Edgar Miller, a professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.

Experts were shocked when two large, well-designed studies in the 1990s found that beta carotene pills actually increased lung cancer rates.

Likewise, a clinical trial published in 2011 found that vitamin E, also an antioxidant, increased the risk of prostate cancer by 17 percent. Such studies reminded researchers that oxidation isn't all bad; it helps kill bacteria and malignant cells, wiping them out before they can grow into tumors, Miller said.

Gulati, the physician in Phoenix, said her early experience with recommending supplements to her father taught her to be more cautious.

"We should be responsible physicians," she said, "and wait for the data."

Tips to get results when talking to kids



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

I'm not saying Wendy Mogel spied on my family to research her new book. But I'm not sure she

didn't.

Mogel is a clinical psychologist who specializes in childhood. She serves on scientific advisory boards at Parents Magazine and Stanford University's Graduate School of Education. Her new book is "Voice Lessons for Parents: What to Say, How to Say It, and When to Listen" (Scribner).

It's about my family.

Maybe it's about your family too.

"My main goal in 'Voice Lessons' is to teach readers how to learn the dialect needed to converse with their daughters and sons at every stage and in every phase of the child's life," Mogel writes.

No small task. But I've read her previous books ("The Blessing of a Skinned Knee," "The Blessing of a B

Minus") and interviewed her multiple times, and I knew she would more than deliver.

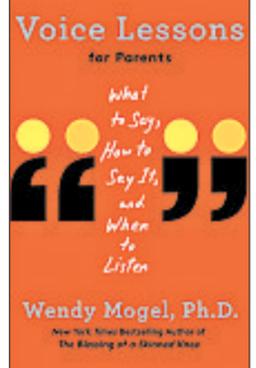
Mogel separates the lessons by age range (toddlers, young boys, young girls, teenage boys, teenage girls) and by topic (talking to young children about sex, death and money; teaming up with your partner or ex; getting the best out of nannies, teach-

ers, coaches).

She encourages readers to "insert mental quotation marks as needed" around the references to gender. Her theories about boys versus girls are rooted in neuroscience, but that certainly doesn't mean there aren't exceptions.

Anyway. Some highlights.

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Dangers of seeking plastic surgery abroad

Patients hoping to save money may jeopardize safety

BY ALAN MOZES
HealthDay

In search of a cosmetic surgery procedure that might be less costly than the going rate in the United States, a 43-year-old woman traveled to the Dominican Republic for a “tummy tuck.”

What she got, instead, were massive open sores and an antibiotic-resistant infection that ultimately left her with a deformed abdomen.

And hers is a story far from unique. Medical experts say it should serve as a cautionary tale for Americans who head abroad for cheaper plastic surgery, only to find they’re rolling the dice when it comes to their safety.

The reason? Complications and rare infections resulting from subpar care delivered by some poorly qualified and under-regulated out-of-country physicians and facilities.

“We studied cosmetic procedures, those not covered by medical insurance,” explained study lead author Dr. Dennis Orgill. “People are motivated because of cost, and in some cases because of cultural issues. There are many websites

that advertise for these procedures. And the initial costs for these procedures in developing countries is substantially less.

“Some surgeons in these countries are excellent,” Orgill added, “but sometimes it is hard for patients to tell the difference by looking on the internet.” And it’s that inability to properly vet international services, providers and regulations that ultimately gives rise to “a large public health issue,” he warned.

Orgill is medical director of Brigham and Women’s Hospital’s Wound Care Center in Boston. He and his colleagues discussed their findings in the April issue of the journal *Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery*.

Following several cases of botched plastic surgery in the Dominican Republic, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the U.S. State Department issued alerts warning American patients to steer clear of that country.

That concern was confirmed by the recent review of 78 patients (nearly all women) who had sought care at Brigham and Women’s following plastic surgery performed abroad between 2010 and 2017: three-quarters had undergone procedures in the Dominican Republic.

The review also identified other problematic “medical tourism” destinations, with Colombia and Brazil topping a list that included Mexico, Venezuela, Argentina, El Salvador, China, Syria and Turkey.

All the patients were American residents (average age 43), although many had been born in the country they chose to return to for surgery. More than 60 percent relied on Medicaid as their American insurance.

About 45 percent had undergone a “tummy tuck” (abdominoplasty). A third had gone in for a breast enlargement. Other procedures included a breast lift or reduction (17 percent); liposuction (13 percent); or injections of foreign substances such as silicone (nearly 20 percent). About a quarter underwent multiple procedures.

Following the procedures, nearly 10 percent of the patients sought corrective cosmetic surgery at Brigham and Women’s. About 18 percent had serious infections; 18 percent had persistent pain; 8 percent had scarring; 15 percent had unhealed wounds; and 5 percent had internal scar tissue in their breast. Other issues included hernias, perforated bowels and ruptured implants, the



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review authors said.

Eight patients had to undergo emergency procedures in the hospital’s emergency room.

One 59-year-old woman experienced kidney failure and developed multiple hernias following abdominal liposuction, also done in the Dominican Republic.

Orgill and his associates concluded that the American College of Surgeons and/or the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) may have to develop guidelines to tackle the issue of plastic surgery tourism. Such guidelines

do not yet exist.

Dr. Jeffrey Janis, president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, stressed that when seeking plastic surgery, it’s important to vet both the physician and the facility.

“The ASPS does not allow you to become a member unless you’ve passed a rigorous training program by the Board of Plastic Surgeons, which attests to the fact that you’ve been well-trained and can safely practice plastic surgery,” he said. “So if you go outside the U.S. you really should seek

someone equally qualified.

“And you also don’t want plastic surgery done in a barn, a basement, a tent,” Janis said. “I’m not making those scenarios up. It happens.”

Janis added that “that is not to say that if you travel outside the borders of the U.S. that you’re taking your health into your own hands. That’s not fair. There are plenty of very qualified doctors around the world who can perform procedures. The issue is, has the patient done their homework so they know what they’re getting into?”

New hope in fight against ovarian cancer

Early trial shows targeted therapy looks promising

BY SERENA GORDON
HealthDay

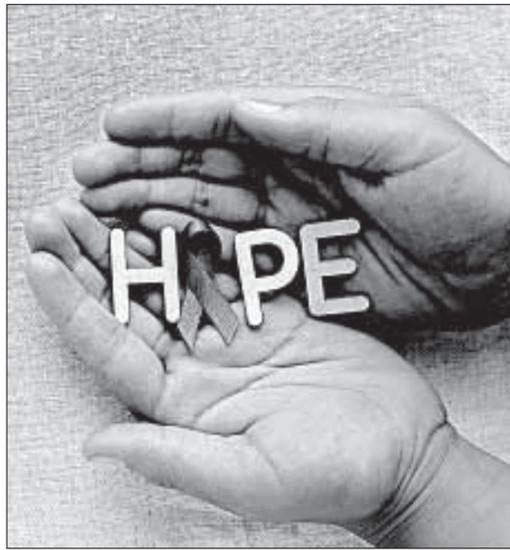
Ovarian cancer can be tough to beat, particularly if it returns after initial treatment, but new research offers a glimmer of hope.

One study found that a new targeted “immunotherapy” to treat ovarian cancer that has come back looked promising in a small, early trial. Meanwhile, a second team of researchers discovered what appears to be a marker for patients who will do better after treatment overall.

“These studies are exciting, but very early,” said Dr. Eva Chalas, director of the Center for Cancer Care at NYU Winthrop Hospital in Mineola, N.Y. She added that it was good to see research on ovarian cancer, because “little money is spent on this cancer that is often lethal.”

Chalas wasn’t involved in either study.

The first study included 29 women who had ovarian cancer that had returned. The patients were treated with an ovarian cancer



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Two new studies suggest that researchers may be gaining ground when it comes to treating ovarian cancer.

vaccine called Vigil. The vaccine — also known as targeted immunotherapy — is made to treat each woman’s cancer individually by using cells harvested from the woman’s own tumor.

“Ovarian cancer is such a difficult disease because it’s a different disease from one person to the next. So, we created a vaccine specific to each particular cancer. It only works for that pa-

tient’s tumor,” explained study author Dr. Rodney Rocconi. He is chief of gynecologic oncology at the University of South Alabama-Mitchell Cancer Institute.

Rocconi said the process of creating the vaccine takes about a week. He didn’t have information on the cost to produce the vaccine.

The vaccine — given as

monthly injections — works by boosting the immune system’s response to the cancer. It also stops tumor cells’ ability to masquerade as normal cells to the immune system.

“We’re hoping this approach will allow us to be a lot more specific from patient to patient, and our response rates have been surprisingly good,” he said.

Twenty out of the 29 women achieved three-year survival. The median overall survival was slightly more than 41 months, according to the report.

The treatment was very well-tolerated. The most common complaints were related to injection-site issues. One woman reported significant fatigue.

Not all women will likely be good candidates for this treatment. The researchers used a test called ELISPOT prior to treatment. The test was used to predict whether or not T-cells in each woman’s immune system would mount a significant response. Four of the 29 had a poor result on the ELISPOT test. Only one of these women survived three years.

Rocconi noted that these women had received a number of treatments for their cancer prior to the

vaccine. Their immune systems might have been weakened by the previous treatment, he suggested, and so couldn’t mount as vigorous a response.

Rocconi and his colleagues have already scheduled two larger trials of the vaccine.

Chalas said this type of therapy is being used successfully for certain forms of leukemia and she predicted that “these kinds of therapies are going to be total game-changers.”

Ovarian cancer is the fifth leading cause of cancer death among U.S. women, according to the American Cancer Society. Because it is hard to detect, it is often diagnosed in its late stages, where survival is unlikely.

The second study was spurred by the success of developing treatments from a family of proteins known as PARPs. These drugs are called PARP inhibitors. When PARPs 1 and 2 are blocked in cancer cells, DNA repair stops and cell death occurs.

The gene for PARP 7 is amplified in some women with ovarian cancer, but not all. When researchers from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, in Dallas, looked

further at the differences between women who had this amplification and women who didn’t, they saw that PARP 7 was linked to a longer overall survival.

The team, led by Dr. Lavanya Palavalli Parsons, found the median overall survival was six months longer for women with the PARP 7 amplification.

It’s not yet clear if there are therapeutic implications from this finding or if PARP 7 might just be used to predict a woman’s survival. It’s also not clear how many women might be affected by the PARP 7 amplification.

Chalas said that “PARP inhibitors are the most exciting currently commercially available discovery in the last five to six years. And it shows the need to look at other PARPs that might offer pathways to consider for therapy.”

There are 17 known PARPs, the researchers said. Both studies were presented at the recent annual meeting of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology in New Orleans. Findings from meetings are typically viewed as preliminary until they’ve been published in a peer-reviewed journal.

Tips to get results when talking to kids

Balancing, from Page 1

On young boys: “All young boys face the same existential questions,” Mogel writes. “How can I be myself without getting into trouble? Does anyone consider me a hero? What do I contribute to this family that someone else doesn’t already contribute better?”

Keeping that in mind can help adults do two things: understand what’s behind a boy’s behaviors and words, and steer him toward activities that let him be a hero in his own unique way.

Young boys also might take longer than girls to recognize what they’re feeling and why. A parent’s job is to help them.

“For boys (and men), saving face is of utmost importance,” Mogel writes, “so pick a feeling your son needs to understand and insert the concept into a setting that does not involve him.”

During a bedtime story, for example.

“Ask him what he thinks the character feels or how he would feel if he were in

that situation. Then repeat what he said, agree, and deepen the landscape of emotions. ‘If that happened to me, I might feel a little excited AND a little worried.’ This way your son doesn’t have to acknowledge his own hurt, fear or anger, but hearing a parent name it models and teaches empathy.”

On young girls: Basically, they have our number.

“In an effort to avoid a fight,” Mogel writes, “mothers will often say things like, ‘Do you really want to wear that to school? Do you think you’ve done this homework thoroughly enough?’ These are passive-aggressive rhetorical questions that no girl is going to answer with, ‘Oh, thank you, Mommy! I can’t believe I was going to wear this dress. Why, I’d be so chilly!’ Mom is trying to maneuver her daughter into thinking it’s her idea, but it makes the mother seem weak and amounts to a challenge: ‘Yes, I want to wear this and I will wear it!’”

Better, Mogel writes, to deliver your message in a direct, honest, relaxed manner. (*It’s too cold today for that dress. Grab one with long sleeves.*) Or let her experience the chill, and decide for herself to store that dress away till summer. “Natural consequences and other outside forces can do a lot of the work for you,” Mogel writes.

On teenagers: For both girls and boys, Mogel recommends approaching them like someone else’s children.

“I’m going to pretend this young male is a student from a foreign land,” she suggests. “He acts confident but is unsure of the territory. Behold his energy and enthusiasm! But don’t confuse his size and IQ with maturity.”

“I’m going to pretend this lively young girl is not my daughter but my niece from a distant land,” she writes. “Behold her passion! See how her friends admire her. Marvel at her style. Not how quickly it changes. Wait at least one

day before weighing in on anything she says.”

It’s an approach, Mogel maintains, that will help you micromanage less, listen more and remember, above all, that this too shall pass.

The power of notes: Mogel suggests this for boys, but I have watched it work wonders with my daughter. “Some boys prefer to write down a big thought, confession or heartfelt sentiment and slip a note under your door rather than say it in person,” she writes. “If you leave little notes every so often on his desk, night table or pillow, you’ve opened up an avenue of communication he hadn’t realized was available and he’ll be more likely to do the same.”

On the bank of goodwill: “Mutual respect between a parent and child depends upon a parent’s deposits in this bank,” Mogel writes.

“What guarantees a high return on investment? Ask your son for more details



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Wendy Mogel teaches parents how to talk to their kids in “Voice Lessons for Parents.”

about tornadoes or drones or professional sports brackets. Display a good-natured tolerance for your daughter’s clothing choices, however flamboyant or strange, as long as they don’t violate the school dress code. Resist making references to how carefully the two of you shopped for her wardrobe. Remind yourself that respect begets respect.”

It’s kind and loving, but it’s also strategic.

“At every age, children will bring you the worst problems you can imagine and also the most dazzling moments,” Mogel writes. “The more you know what gladdens your child’s heart, the more of those moments you’ll get to see.

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Domestic violence can cause brain injury

Research on NFL players may be useful

BY ALISON BOWEN
Chicago Tribune

LaTasha Unseld was nervous, but she wanted to read the 5,283 words she'd written. And she would not let her headache stop her. After all, as she told the court, her headache was due to her ex.

Doctors told Unseld she was one punch away from severe brain trauma after her ex-partner, Demetrius Singleton, choked and beat her in 2014. Singleton, the father of her children and her partner for two decades, is in prison for aggravated domestic battery, strangulation and sexual assault.

Recent research on head trauma has mainly focused on NFL athletes, whose brains have been shown to be damaged after years of hits to the heads, and injured veterans.

But survivors of domestic violence often experience blows to the head, as well. Chicago researchers hope to build on the research on football players in a way that can help survivors of domestic abuse.

"Everything we hear in the media is more focused on men," said Dorothy Kozlowski. "But, in reality, women get traumatic brain injuries just as much as men do."

Kozlowski, a professor of biology and director of the neuroscience program at DePaul University, recently received a grant from the school's University Research Council to study repeat concussions. She hopes to find out if people hit in the head multiple times, especially women in abusive relationships, might be more susceptible to diseases like chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) or Alzheimer's.

"They got hit to the head by a fist, by a chair, by what-



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LaTasha Unseld, of Schaumburg, is a survivor of domestic violence who believes injuries she sustained may have caused permanent damage to her brain. Recent research on head trauma has mainly focused on NFL athletes.

ever it was, by being thrown against the wall," said Kozlowski. "Any kind of hit to the head that they would receive is similar to what someone on a football field could receive."

She estimates that anywhere between 60 and 90 percent of domestic violence victims have experienced at least one head injury. Injuries are often to the brain, skull or face. It's also possible to experience multiple injuries to the head and neck within one violent episode.

That's what happened to Unseld.

"I was never afraid of him until that terrifying night," she said in her victim impact statement.

"That night he was a stranger in my home."

Singleton beat her so badly, she said, she doesn't know how she escaped. She was bruised from "head to toe" and spent days in the hospital for a head injury and trauma, according to her medical records.

A 2016 study estimated that 23 million women in the United States could be living with a brain injury from interpersonal violence.

Dr. Darryl Kaelin, medical director of the Frazier Rehab Institute in Louisville, Ky., has worked in brain injury rehabilitation for decades and has seen a range of injuries. He recalled a client whose

boyfriend hit her in the head with a sledgehammer that left her with cognitive deficits and dependent on her mother at age 30.

Despite the severity of the injury, Kaelin said, "when you've had a change in your mental status or a change in the way your brain functions, even for a temporary amount of time, that is an injury to your brain."

Ember Urbach, who leads training sessions for the Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network, understands the experience of a brain injury. She has had three, most recently in 2011, after banging her head against her husband's while loading

the dishwasher. That accident, while in a healthy relationship, has had huge consequences, she said. She now has migraines and memory loss.

"Very simple tasks became very difficult," she said. She had trouble reading because she couldn't focus on the words.

"The whole thing made me feel insane," Urbach said. She quit both of her jobs — substituting at a preschool and categorizing photographs — because she could not concentrate.

People thought she was depressed or tired, she said.

Researchers of brain injury and domestic violence say symptoms of brain injury can make it

more difficult for a woman to care for herself or her children, which can make her less likely to leave her abuser.

In December, Kozlowski hopes to take a team of Chicago researchers and domestic violence advocates to Phoenix to learn how to better assess survivors of brain injuries from Jonathan Lifshitz, director of the University of Arizona's College of Medicine's Translational Neurotrauma Research Program.

Lifshitz, who spoke at a recent DePaul conference on domestic violence and brain injury said CTE can only be diagnosed after death, and no domestic violence survivors' brains have been studied in the same way football players' brains have. He said researchers are just beginning to understand what's even possible to know.

Kathy Doherty, Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network executive director, said the nonprofit plans to add questions within its intake process to ascertain possible brain injuries, such as asking about headaches and memory loss.

Unseld, a woman who used to pride herself on remembering a slew of appointments on any given day, now has to rely on phone reminders. She said she forgets what her daughter tells her minutes later.

"I know it has to be something with the concussion," she said, showing the color coded system on her phone calendar she uses to keep things straight. "I never had to do this before."

She hopes that speaking out will help other women have the strength to recognize when they are in danger and to leave abusive relationships.

"You never get over it," she said. "You get through it."

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Home-delivered meals might reduce ER visits, study suggests

BY CAROLYN Y. JOHNSON
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Delivering meals to vulnerable sick people might be a simple way to cut back on emergency room visits and hospitalizations, reining in some of the costliest kinds of medical care, according to a new Health Affairs study.

Low-income seniors or disabled younger people who received home-delivered meals — particularly meals designed by a dietitian for that person's specific medical needs — had fewer emergency visits and lower medical spending than a similar group of people who did not receive meal deliveries.

"This is an excellent study that really points out, again, how important it is to get food to people," said Craig Gundersen, a professor of agricultural strategy at the University of Illinois, who was not involved in the study. "Some people's response is that will drive up the federal budget, which on one hand it does. But on the other hand, we have to look at the cost savings associated with this ... (through) nontrivial reductions in health care costs in our country."

There's growing evidence the forces that shape health aren't just access to medicines, doctor's visits or surgeries, but factors such as the neighborhoods people live in, economic security and access to housing or transportation. These social factors that contribute powerfully to people's health are a growing area of interest for health insurance companies interested in containing costs. People who lack reliable access to food are responsible for \$77.5 billion per year in excess health care expenditures, according to one analysis.

The study drew its participants from the Commonwealth Care Alliance,



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Research suggests home-delivered meals may be a way of reducing hospital visits among vulnerable sick people.

a nonprofit community-based health plan in Massachusetts that provides coverage to people who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare. People that qualify for both programs tend to be poor with complicated health problems, and the health plan offered enrollment in either a regular home-delivery meal program or one that was tailored to the patient's specific dietary needs.

People who received medically tailored meals had about 1.5 fewer emergency room visits, on average, over a 19-month period, compared with a similar group that did not receive meals. They were hospitalized about half as often. People who received home-delivered meals saw a smaller reduction in emergency room visits.

"We do know that people, when they face food insecurity, often make a lot of trade-offs: Do I pay for my food? Do I pay for my medicine?" said Seth Berkowitz, an assistant professor of medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill who led the work. "Not knowing where your next meal is coming from is stressful. It may be difficult to manage your chronic condition when you're

worrying about that."

Unlike a gold-standard medical trial, in which people would have been randomly assigned into groups that either received the meals or did not, the researchers created comparison groups that closely matched the demographic and health conditions of those who received meals. That's a major limitation of the study, since it's possible those who received meals had other characteristics that accounted for their lower use of emergency and hospital services.

While it doesn't prove that the meals were the cause of the decreased dependence on the emergency room, the study provides a tantalizing hint that providing meals could help people avoid costly medical care. The people who received a medically tailored diet spent \$220 less per month than the comparison group. Those who received meals at home saved \$10 per month.

"It's an exciting time ... because I do think people are realizing this is a frontier we should be examining," Berkowitz said. "I don't want to oversell this or say it's going to solve our problems, but this has been underappreciated for a long time."

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Searching for arthritis drug with lower risk of side effects

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
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Q: I want to know if there is anything I can take for arthritis pain that will not give me stomach ulcers, raise my blood pressure or lead to a heart attack. I used to take ibuprofen and then naproxen for osteoarthritis, but they resulted in ulcers.

Mobic didn't work. Vioxx helped, but they took it off the market. I am now on diclofenac and take Nexium (40 mg) for GERD. Could the diclofenac be damaging my stomach without my knowing it?

A: Diclofenac can be irritating to the digestive tract. It also can increase the risk for hypertension and heart attacks (Pharmacoeconomics and Drug Safety, June 2013).

One prescription option that often is overlooked is the drug salsalate. It is related to aspirin but is less likely to cause stomach irritation.

Salsalate may not reduce the chance of cardiovascular problems, but it doesn't seem to increase the risk either (JAMA Cardiology, July 1, 2016). In addition, salsalate improves blood sugar control (Diabetes, Obesity & Metabolism, October 2017).

Q: I am 43. My cholesterol was elevated to 290, so my doctor prescribed atorvastatin.

My wife is 39 and very sexy. I have normal sexual urges, but when we have the chance to make love, getting an erection is super difficult.

I recently had my cholesterol checked again, and it has dropped all the way to 111. I plan to stop taking this drug and maintain the lower levels



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The drug salsalate might help a reader suffering from arthritis. It is related to aspirin but is less likely to cause stomach irritation.

by eating better. Would that restore my ability to get an erection?

A: The effects of statins on libido and sexual performance have been controversial for years. There is evidence that these cholesterol-lowering drugs lower testosterone levels (BMC Medicine, Feb. 28, 2013).

Although testosterone is linked to sexual desire and performance, a recent meta-analysis involving nearly 70,000 men did not find an association between statin use and erectile dysfunction (American Journal of Medicine, April 2018).

We have heard from many other men who, like you, believe that statins contributed to their sexual problems. We cannot say whether stopping atorvastatin will make a difference, but a healthful diet and exercise to lower cholesterol also may have benefits in the bedroom.

Q: I have been taking metoprolol for my high blood pressure for the past five years. Since then, my blood sugar has ranged between 108 and 111. I never had blood sugar levels that high before taking metoprolol.

My doctor is concerned. I believe that this beta blocker is raising my blood sugar. Are there any studies concerning such drugs and high blood sugar levels?

A: Beta blockers can raise blood sugar (Drug Intelligence & Clinical Pharmacy, April 1985). Many health professionals no longer consider such drugs the first choice for treating high blood pressure. Your doctor should be able to prescribe a medicine that won't increase your risk for diabetes.

Q: I survived flu season without getting sick, but now I have a terrible sore throat and am starting to cough. I hate the taste of DM (dextromethorphan) cough medicines. What else can you recommend?

A: Flu season is almost over, but some people are still suffering. You may want to get a rapid flu test to rule this out.

If you have a cold, there are several home remedies to control a cough. One is onion syrup. The onion is sliced thin and simmered in sweetened water until it is quite soft. Many readers assure us that it is delicious.

Those who can't abide onions may prefer ginger or thyme tea. To calm a cough at night, you might try smearing Vicks Vapo-Rub on the soles of the feet before bedtime. Put on thick socks to keep the goo off your sheets.

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Chicago Ridge Medical Imaging offers top quality testing, staff

When it comes to providing diagnostic radiology imaging services to Chicagoland's southwest region, Alecia Giunta, owner and CEO of Chicago Ridge Medical Imaging, says her company is capable of offering the lowest cash prices for some of the most requested imaging tests in the region.

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Giunta's facility, 9830 S. Ridgeland Ave. in Chicago Ridge, has been providing an alternative to high-priced tests at hospitals for decades. She says they offer an aggressive, discounted fee schedule for diagnostic radiology services for patients without health insurance and for those people who have high-deductible health insurance plans.

"Offering diagnostic radiology services at a financial access point that can be attained by most everyone is how we can help our current and future patients," says Giunta. "We have the same high quality imaging equipment and board certified physician's interpreting the report. With the coupon that can be found on our website, our plain MRI is \$300 and our plain CT scan is \$175."

Giunta says one of the big pluses when working with Chicago Ridge Medical Imaging is its affiliation with most insurance plans, including County Care. "We also accept Workers Compensation and personal injury cases provided an attorney is involved. We guarantee the lowest cash prices." Recently, Giunta recalls, a patient came in for three MRI exams and the patient told her the local hospital was charging 25 times more than what Chicago Ridge Medical Imaging charges.

Patient care focus

While her company's success could be summed up by offering outstanding technical services and great pricing, Giunta says delivering patients the three Cs —

caring, compassion and consideration — ensures her patients have a consistently good experience.

"We want patients to leave our facility knowing they were in good hands and that we showed the individual compassion, that we were caring and considerate of their particular situation," says Giunta, who has 17 years of experience in radiology as a director of operations and ultrasound sonographer.

Giunta, who purchased the business in April 2015, gives much of the credit to the staff. "My team is a unique group of caring individuals. A once-in-a-lifetime collection of like-minded, driven employees with a single focus — patient care," she says. "We know the patient does not want to be here on their own volition and our goal is to make their visit as pleasant as possible."

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Pup offers comfort, as do friends, kind words



CHRIS ERSKINE
The Middle Ages

When she barks, her voice cracks.

I see in this baby wolf — the one I just inherited and who may now outlive me — I see in this young pet a playfulness, almost a charisma, that I like very much. It reminds me of her late owner. It reminds me of his inherent boyishness and my own Huckleberry past. It reminds me of a lot of things that make me smile.

Words are my red meat. To many, they seem like vegetables or chores. But to me, the written word is music and red meat and, very often, the very essence of life itself. They represent ideas, sure, but they also represent depth and character and heart.

Words are everything. As are wolves. As are boyish smiles.

We have received some very kind and inspired words in the past month. Because of the nature of what I write — the simplicity, the accessibility, the sheer dopiness of so much of it — I get a lot of wonderful feedback from those on the very fringes of society. In particular, I seem to hear from a lot of doctors and lawyers.

I suppose that in their everyday lives, doctors and lawyers endure enough confrontation and disappointment. When they read, they want comfort, and some assurance that the world is not as bad as it often seems.

One doc recently urged me to "take my time" in this period of grief, which I thought a wise and worthy tidbit, the sort of guidance

you'd get from your old man, or an uncle or one of the Apostles.

I may have mentioned "the Apostles" in the past, the term I use for the goofs I joke around with on weekends, the buddies who, when my eldest son died last month, cloaked me in their friendship.

They helped plan the reception and handed out programs at the service and planted a tree in the yard. They ordered food, picked up tabs, and when things were at their worst, somehow made me laugh. I'm usually an easy laugh, almost promiscuous about it. But I sure wasn't six weeks ago.

So the Apostles stepped in — I'm not sure why, though there was a lot of wine around the house at the time, and the lovely Chardonnay Moms were in and out with their casseroles and cakes. Suddenly, the place was aglow with family, friends and the relief of blended tears.

Here's the thing about the Apostles: They were just there. My buddies didn't attempt to say the perfect thing, or counsel me or rhapsodize about Christopher. They simply remembered him fondly, and helped me picture him and — occasionally — hug him in my mind.

I guess that's what friends are for, right? What a bunch of knuckleheads. Where I found friends like these I'll never know.

I think it's a fine week for remembering good deeds. There's this amazing book festival at USC, a Coachella of ideas and poetry, wit and wordplay.

I remember when it started 22 years ago. My newspaper, which stages the free event, thought it might lure 10,000 people. Instead, Caesar's army turned out, and some 150,000 book fans contin-

ue to show up every year for this salute to red meat, mirth and big ideas.

Attending it can be a hassle, don't get me wrong. In that way, big cities can be challenging; there are lines and parking problems and sometimes you wind-mill around, not sure where you're headed or if you might've passed out.

Often, I think I'd be just as happy losing myself in a big dark library for the day, or the Last Bookstore, or one of the many other great independents, because good words are personal. They abhor cacophony and the elbow jabs of strangers. With words, you generally want a quiet pond, not a party.

But I admire this annual mitzvah of words, just as I admire the authors who produce them.

Before I run off, let me circle back to the feedback I get from doctors and lawyers — and you. It's tough to generalize, but I'd say the very best notes I get, the ones with traces of grandeur, come from teachers.

One wrote me the other day, telling me how her students took to Shakespeare and found in his musty work sustenance and timeless bonds.

The teacher, Deborah Ventura, wrote to reinforce the value of words. She closed with the lines she shared with her students at the end of every semester, words that to me right now, sound deep and rich, as if from the biggest brass horn in the band.

From Frederick Buechner, she quotes:

"What's lost is nothing to what's found, and all the death that ever was, set next to life, would scarcely fill a cup."

Amen.

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REVIEWS Sable Kitchen & Bar ★ Gideon Sweet ★★

Just getting re-established

2 cocktail-forward restaurants work toward reclaiming their former glory

BY PHIL VETTEL
Chicago Tribune

Today we look at two cocktail-forward restaurants seeking to reclaim former glory: Sable Kitchen & Bar, a drink destination in search of a food identity, and Gideon Sweet, which is another makeover of Graham Elliot Bistro.

Sable Kitchen & Bar

Under opening chef Heather Terhune and head bartender Mike Ryan, Sable Kitchen & Bar (in the Hotel Palomar in River North) quickly established itself in 2010 as a fine dinner option and one of the best cocktail destinations in the city. But both left Sable in early 2015 (for bigger opportunities within the Kimp-ton Hotel & Restaurant Group), and Sable has struggled with its identity since, going through two additional chefs in three years.

With luck, Amber Lancaster, who came aboard in mid-2017, will stick around awhile. The French-trained chef has worked at Alinea and Moto, then as a private chef for a family that shuttled among its five homes.

"I took the job to see some other states," she said, "to be sure I wanted to be here."

Lancaster is making gradual progress in turning the ship around. "I'm slowly picking and choosing, without pushing the staff too hard, too soon," she said. Her first full menu launched in January and is an appealing, though short, mix of Mediterranean influences — safe dishes that easily match Sable's still-excellent cocktail program (overseen ably by head bartender Mike Jones).

Lancaster's deviled eggs are kind of fun, perked up carbonara-style with Parmesan crisps and crumbled pancetta; a little hot sauce in the filling gives the eggs a nice accent. Meat and cheese combos are available a couple of ways. There's a cheese and charcuterie platter of country ham and wild boar meats against cheeses from France, California and Wisconsin; and a jambon et fromage duet of burrata cheese, tomatoes and speck on pieces of toasted ciabatta. (Sloppy timing



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Ricotta gnudi at Sable Kitchen & Bar are pillowy and served with a soothing onion broth and chanterelle mushrooms.



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Warm king crab comes with sea urchin and smoked trout roe at Gideon Sweet.

marred the latter preparation; by the time it reached my table, the ciabatta was already soggy from the tomatoes.)

Larger plates include very good mussels in chorizo broth and more of that excellent ciabatta toast. (I swear, Publican Quality Bread's ciabatta is going to take

over the world.) Roast chicken with cannellini beans and glazed carrots is a keeper, though undoubtedly the cassouetlike presentation will change when the weather does. Ricotta gnudi are as pillowy as you'd want, aided by a soothing onion broth and chanterelle mushrooms.

Sable's entry into the double-patty burger realm is capable, dressed with pickles, aioli and an optional fried egg, but it needs a more robust companion than the pallid American cheese used now. (How about some of that Red Rock cheddar from the charcuterie plate?) The accompanying

fries were bottom-of-the-bag tiny, though nicely crispy.

What was once Sable's back dining room has been relegated to private-party space; now there's just the bar, though it's a handsome, gently lit space ideal for a quick drop-in.

Sable Kitchen remains a good neighborhood spot, but if it's to become anything more, Lancaster's menu is going to have to take some chances.

Gideon Sweet

G.E.B. opened in 2013, the monogram alternately standing for Graham Elliot Bistro and the celebrity chef's full name, which is Graham Elliot Bowles. It started like a hit single, delighting diners with its rock 'n' roll atmosphere (devotional candles to rock-star "saints," a Marshall-amplifier host stand, a cocktail named for Ghostface Killah), but the early success proved difficult to maintain.

In April 2016, Elliot partnered with DMK Restaurants to revamp the restaurant, at the time officially called Graham Elliot Bistro,

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CRAVING: LUNCH

Move over, avocado toast

Try other options for open-faced sandwiches



JEANMARIE BROWNSON
Dinner at Home

Somehow, despite the popularity of low-carb, no-carb and paleo diets, toast is having a moment. A long moment at that.

Avocado toast graces the menus of all manner of restau-

rants. Sliced, toasted rustic bread smeared with smashed ripe avocado and a sprinkle of salt. The combination has taken the country by storm. We eat it up! Happily. Carbs be damned.

Thank goodness. If there's anything better than well-made bread, brushed with flavor and bronzed with heat, I'd like to know.

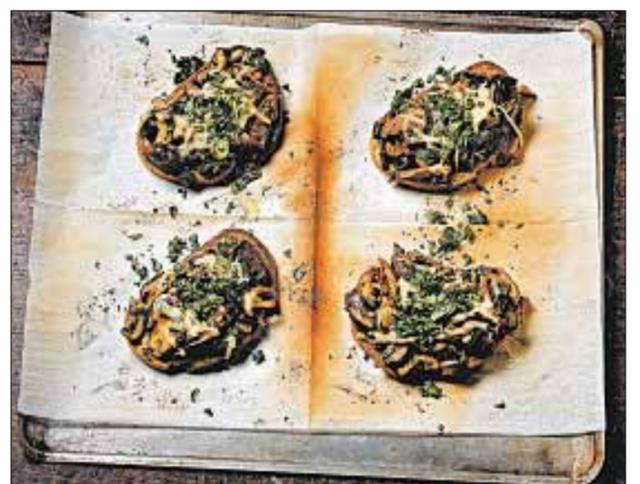
You had me at cinnamon toast. This after-school treat, buttered toast topped with sugar and cinnamon, still makes me swoon. (Of course, these days I'm likely to

assemble the snack from hearty, whole-grain bread, French butter, organic sugar and Mexican cinnamon, food snob that I am.)

Crusty, toasted bread also makes lunch better. They know this to be true at Tartine Bakery in San Francisco. There, perfectly toasted country bread holds cheese, bechamel sauce, turkey, ham or fromage blanc for a perfect croque monsieur sandwich. I order the mushroom version every time I visit.

At home, a medley of mushrooms, sauteed with spicy poblano pepper, and glazed with

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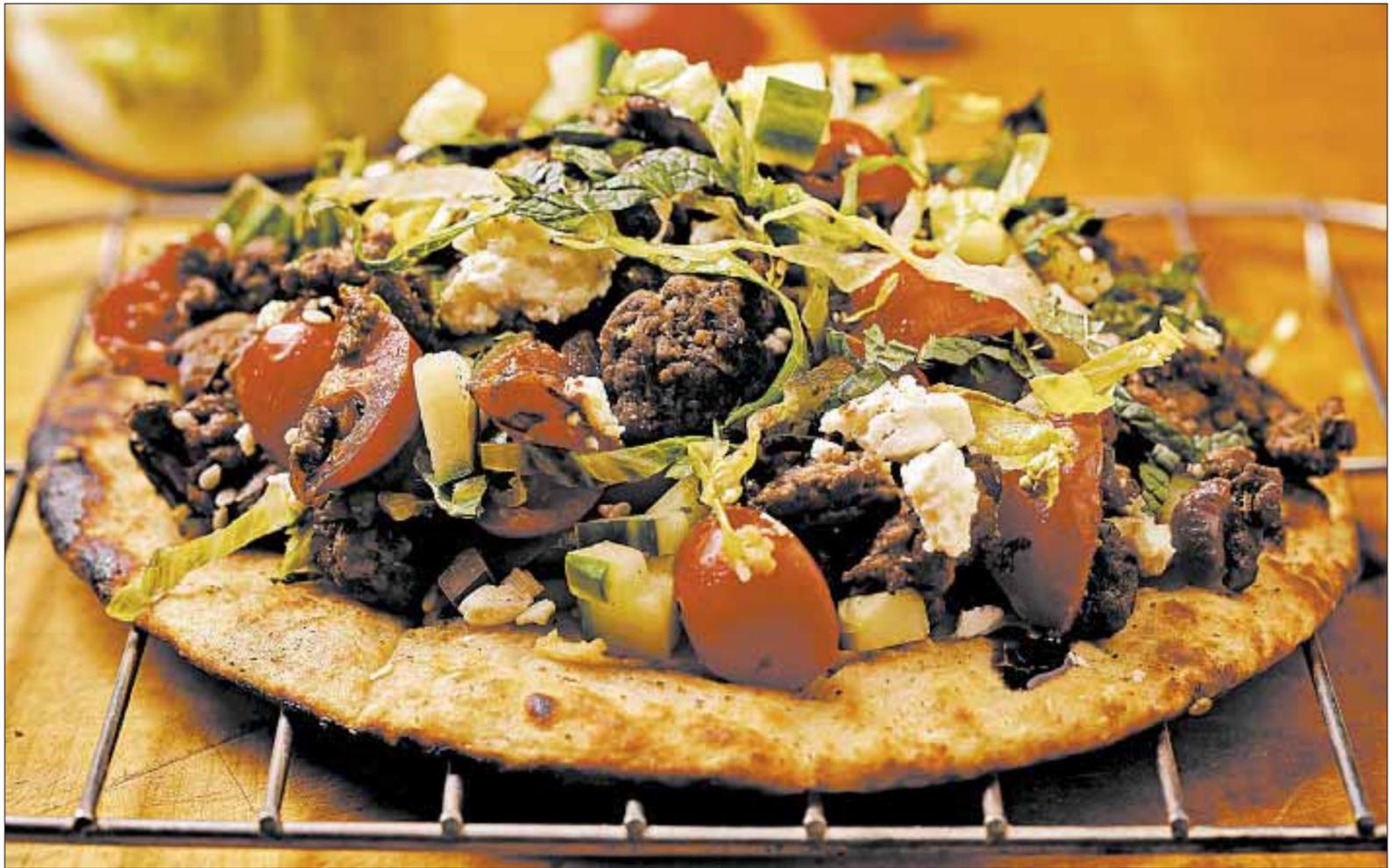
Toasted slices of rye hold sauteed mushrooms and poblanos, glazed with cream and topped with melted cheese.

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Try using pita bread as a base for an open-faced sandwich, with toppings like tomatoes, chopped onion, feta cheese and ground lamb.

Try open-faced sandwich options

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cream, piled high on toasted rye bread gratifies. You can add a top slice of toast and compress the whole thing under a panini press, but more often, I serve the concoction open-faced under a thin blanket of cheese.

This rich, creamy mushroom toast easily transforms into steak and mushroom toast when I have leftover grilled steak or roast beef. Be sure to slice the meat super thin and lay it on the toasted bread before topping with the mushrooms.

Recently, a visit to Hardware restaurant in North Aurora made me think about how good grilled bread tastes. Smoke from a hardwood fire complements bread beautifully. The restaurant's flatbread, grilled over hot embers, proves the perfect vehicle for a topping of hummus, cucumber, feta and micro-arugula from its greenhouses.

For a weekend lunch, I grill pita breads and top them with hummus and sauteed ground lamb and feta. Look for pitas without pockets — they tend to be thicker with a softer inside that'll stay moist over direct heat. No grill? Simply toast the breads over the gas burner or on a dry griddle, then finish in a hot oven.

Serve your open-faced sandwiches with a sharp knife, fork and a big glass of red wine. Open the Sunday paper. Lunch never looked better.

Glazed mushrooms and poblano on rye toast

Prep: 25 minutes **Cook:** 15 minutes **Makes:** 4 servings

Be sure to use enough heat to sear the mushrooms; don't crowd the pan, or they will steam instead. If desired, add 2 or 3 ounces super-thin sliced medium-rare cooked steak or shaved roast beef to each bread slice before adding the mushrooms.

- 4 tablespoons olive oil, plus more for brushing on bread
- 1 large poblano pepper, cored, seeded, diced
- 1 pound assorted sliced mushroom caps, such as shiitake, oyster, cremini, button
- 3 cloves garlic, crushed
- ¼ cup dry white wine or dry white vermouth
- ⅓ cup heavy (whipping) cream or creme fraiche, plus more if needed
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon each: tarragon, freshly ground black pepper
- ⅛ teaspoon dried thyme
- 4 thick (about 1-inch) slices pumpernickel or rye bread
- ½ cup shredded cheese, such as Gouda, Gruyere, white cheddar or Parmesan
- ¼ cup chopped fresh herbs, such as cilantro, parsley, chives

1 Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Add poblano; cook until tender, about 4 minutes. Transfer to a plate. Add 2 tablespoons oil and half of the mushrooms to pan. Cook and stir until mushrooms are seared to a nice golden color, about 4 minutes. Add to plate with poblano. Repeat with 1 tablespoon oil and remaining mushrooms.

2 Return poblano and all mushrooms to skillet. Add garlic and wine. Cook on high heat to evaporate most of the wine, about 1 minute. Stir in ⅓ cup cream, salt, tarragon, pepper and thyme. Cook and stir until mushrooms are glazed with cream, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat.

3 Heat the broiler or a toaster oven to high. Brush both sides of the bread slices with oil. Put onto a baking sheet. Broil, 4 inches from heat source, just until edges of bread start to brown, usually about 1 minute. Do not walk away, or bread may burn. Flip and broil the second side.

4 Reheat mushroom mixture, and add a little more cream, if necessary, so the mixture is slightly saucy. Spoon evenly over each bread slice. Top each with a quarter of the cheese. Broil until cheese is golden, 30 to 60 seconds. Sprinkle generously with herbs, and serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 382 calories, 30 g fat, 10 g saturated fat, 37 mg cholesterol, 21 g carbohydrates, 3 g sugar, 11 g protein, 590 mg sodium, 3 g fiber

Grilled pita toasts with lamb, tomatoes and feta

Prep: 30 minutes **Cook:** 20 minutes **Makes:** 4 servings

Za'atar is a Middle Eastern seasoning blend found in the spice section of large supermarkets. You can substitute a mixture of thyme, marjoram and oregano. The sumac bush, native to the Middle East, has a berry that is used dried and ground to add a lemony flavor. Look for the spice blend and the sumac at The Spice House online. Ground beef (85/15 fat), ground turkey (not just turkey breast) or ground pork tastes good here too.

- 1 pound ground lamb
- 1 small or half of a medium red onion, finely chopped, well rinsed, drained
- 1 cup chopped cherry tomatoes (or drained canned tomatoes)
- 1 tablespoon pomegranate molasses or balsamic vinegar
- 2 teaspoons za'atar seasoning
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- 4 thick pitas, about 6 inches round
- Olive oil
- ⅓ cup hummus
- ½ cup crumbled feta or salted farmers cheese
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh mint, optional
- 1 cup finely chopped seedless cucumber
- 1 cup shredded romaine lettuce
- Ground sumac, optional
- Sesame seeds
- Balsamic glaze

1 Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Add lamb and two-thirds of the onion. Cook, stirring often and breaking meat apart into small clumps, until meat is golden, about 10 minutes. Add tomatoes, pomegranate molasses, za'atar seasoning, garlic and salt; cook and stir, 1 minute. Remove from heat.

2 Heat a gas grill to medium, or prepare a charcoal grill, and heat until coals are covered in gray ash. Put pitas directly over heat source to toast them lightly on both sides, about 1 minute depending on heat of the grill. (Alternatively, toast pitas directly over a gas burner or in a toaster or toaster oven.)

3 Put pitas onto a baking sheet and brush one side with oil. Spread each with a generous tablespoon of the hummus. Top each with one-quarter of the lamb mixture, spreading to cover the pita but leaving ½-inch edge all around. Sprinkle each with 2 tablespoons feta. Set on the grill rack away from the heat source; cover the grill, and cook until everything is hot and cheese is softened, about 5 minutes. (Alternatively, bake on a baking sheet or preheated pizza stone in a 425-degree oven, 8 to 10 minutes.)

4 Put 1 hot pita onto each plate. Sprinkle the pita and the plate with some of the remaining onion, cilantro, mint, cucumber and shredded romaine. Sprinkle everything and the plate with sumac and sesame seeds. Drizzle balsamic glaze over everything. Serve right away.

Nutrition information per serving: 507 calories, 25 g fat, 10 g saturated fat, 91 mg cholesterol, 40 g carbohydrates, 7 g sugar, 30 g protein, 1,001 mg sodium, 3 g fiber

Key to scallops is quick cooking

BY FAITH DURAND
TheKitchn.com

Scallops are a little luxury in my household. A weekend date night means plates of pasta and scallops with wedges of lemon and glasses of white wine on the side. Scallops are sustainable, delicious, and so easy. Here's how to make quick-cooking scallops on the stovetop in just about five minutes.

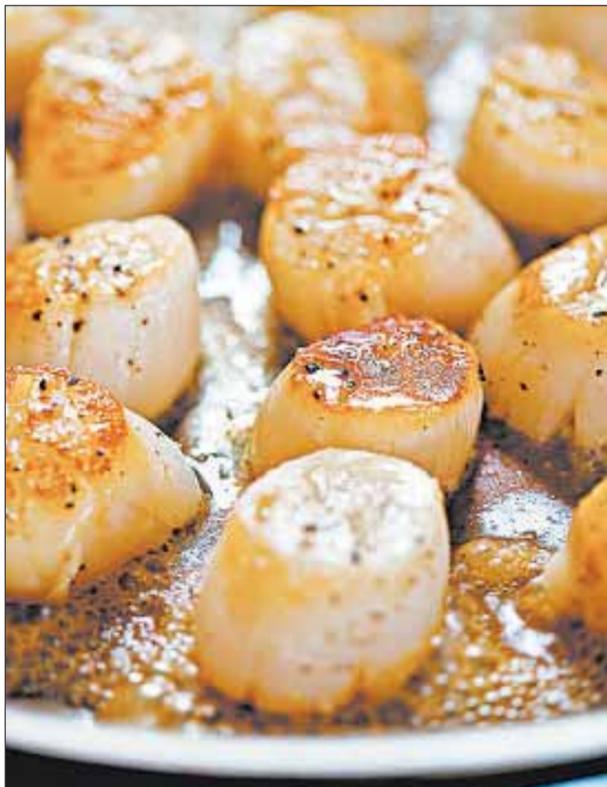
Scallops are not inexpensive (in my area they go for at least \$20 a pound), so it can be a little intimidating to cook them. What if you mess up such an expensive dinner?

This is the beautiful thing about scallops, though; once you understand how quickly they are cooked, you'll never mess them up. They take just four to five minutes to

cook — that's it! Sear in an oiled skillet for about 2 minutes on each side. Done.

Scallops' quick-cooking properties also mean that you should have everything else for your meal ready to go before putting them in the pan. Scallops are the last thing to go on the plate, so have your pasta, sauce, or salad ready and waiting before you cook the scallops.

One of my favorite meals is scallops on top of some creamy pureed vegetables. I'll cook cauliflower or rutabaga, puree it until silky-smooth, and keep it warm in a covered bowl. I'll make a tossed salad, set out warmed plates, and pour the wine. Then, at the last minute, with the table set and candles lit, I'll quickly cook the scallops and plate it all up.



These savory scallops take about 5 minutes in the pan.

LEELA CYD

Stovetop scallops

Prep: 10 minutes

Cook: 5 minutes

Makes: 4 to 6 servings

- 1 ½ pounds sea scallops (or 4 to 5 scallops per person)
- Salt and pepper
- 1 tablespoon butter or olive oil

1 Remove side muscle, a little tag of tissue on the side of the scallop that secures it to the shell. Just pinch it with your thumb and first finger and pull it away. Pat the scallops dry with a paper towel. Sprinkle generously with salt and pepper.

2 Heat the butter or olive oil in the pan over medium-high heat. When a few flecks of water evaporate on contact, the pan is ready. Place the scallops in the pan in a single layer, spaced about an inch apart. Do not crowd the pan; work in batches if necessary.

3 Cook the scallops without moving them, 2 minutes; flip them over. If a scallop doesn't release easily from the pan, let it cook for a few more seconds until it does. Cook on the second side for 2 to 3 minutes without moving. Both sides of the scallop should be seared golden-brown and the sides should look opaque all the way through. Serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving (for 6 servings): 95 calories, 2 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 32 mg cholesterol, 4 g carbohydrates, 0 g sugar, 14 g protein, 542 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

How to enjoy Pedro Ximenez sherry



MICHAEL AUSTIN
The Pour Man

Some of the sweetest wine on Earth comes from Spain, and it goes by the name of Pedro Ximenez, but you can just call him Pedro. Actually, he's not even a fellow, though Pedro Ximenez sounds like a brand name, doesn't it? Or the name of a guy who opened a winery? None of the above: It is actually the name of a white grape variety and a sublime dessert wine style made from those grapes.

Usually when a wine is described as "sweet as molasses," it is a bad thing. Even when a wine doesn't quite reach that height of sweetness but is still sweet enough to feel at home during a dessert course, a wave of bright acidity is welcome with every sip. This creates a sort of balancing effect that makes the sweetness of these wines palatable. Think about the beautiful sweetness tempered by acidity in some of the finest port, Sauternes and Tokaji Aszu wines, to name a few of the world's legendary sweet styles.

Pedro Ximenez, or "PX" as it is colloquially known, somehow manages to have just enough acidity — not loads of it, like some other dessert wines — to make it work. This wine is sweet, and there is no getting around that. *Dulce, amigos.* Of course, it's a dessert wine — it is supposed to be sweet — and a little goes a long way. Don't assess it the same way you would a dry



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Pedro Ximenez — or PX — is a white grape variety from Spain and a sublime dessert wine made from those grapes.

table wine. Enjoy it for what it is — a beautifully sweet dessert treat, with or without food.

Most PX grapes are grown in the Montilla-Moriles D.O. (Denominacion de Origen) in southern Spain. PX makes a style of sherry, and when the wine is made at least partially in the Jerez region (even using Montilla-Moriles grapes), it can be labeled as such: Jerez, aka "Xeres," aka "sherry." You'll see all three words on a bottle from Jerez. When the wine is made entirely in Montilla-Moriles, it carries that region's name on its label. In either case, PX is PX. Good versions come from both places.

Traditionally, this wine style is made by setting PX grapes out in the sun to dry, concentrating their sweetness.

If you do not like desserts or most expressions of sweetness, PX is definitely not for you. But for anyone with an appreciation for a blast of sip-able sweetness, track down a few bottles of PX immediately. You will experience a wine that is pleasantly viscous, verging on syrupy with aromas and flavors of raisins (remember, those ripe grapes were raisin-ated in the sun), dates, figs, brown sugar, honey, vanilla, chocolate, black licorice, coffee and, yes, even molasses.

This wine style could match well with bread or rice puddings, vanilla and/or caramel ice cream; dried fruits and fruit pastries; flan and other custards, orange- or banana-based desserts, pecan pie and dark chocolate. But really, when a wine is this sweet, sticky and decadent, you could drink it on its own and just call that dessert. Or to counter the sweetness of PX, you could pair a glass with some salty nuts, or a few formidable hunks of Manchego or blue cheese.

Serving temperatures for PX range from about 57 degrees down to 50, and some producers suggest serving their wines even

Tasting notes

Below are notes from a recent tasting of Pedro Ximenez varietal wines. They are listed in ascending order, according to price, regardless of bottle size.

Valdespino El Candado Pedro Ximenez. Full of raisins, dates, brown sugar and licorice, this thick and viscous wine is a good introduction to the style. \$14/375 milliliters

Bodegas Hidalgo Triana Pedro Ximenez. This one offers notes of coffee, cola, marzipan and honey, and is dense and creamy with 15 percent alcohol. \$20/500 milliliters

Lustau PX San Emilio Pedro Ximenez. Orange peel, raisins, fig, hazelnuts, brown sugar and spice characterize this sultry PX from Jerez. \$21/750 milliliters

Bodegas Rey Fernando de Castilla Pedro Ximenez.

This one delivers herbs, fig, rhubarb, super-sweet brown sugar, and a long finish full of nuts and raisins. \$26/750 milliliters

Alvear Solera 1927 Pedro Ximenez. From the Montilla-Moriles region, this wine offers prune, vanilla, brown sugar, raisins, chocolate, nuts and 16 percent alcohol. \$30/375 milliliters

Gonzalez Byass Nectar Pedro Ximenez. This aptly named beauty is full of figs, raisins, pine, tobacco, coffee, smoke, chocolate and caramel. \$30/750 milliliters

2013 Casa del Inca Pedro Ximenez. Tangerine, fig, caramel and a slight note of anise commingle in this dark amber PX from Montilla-Moriles. \$60/750 milliliters

Bodegas Tradicion VOS 20 Years Pedro Ximenez.

Prune, orange, citrus, spice, brown sugar and sassafras are present in this black-as-tar wine. \$96/750 milliliters

cooler. Remember that the cooler they are, the more their aromas and flavors can hide.

Don't hem your PX in by pouring it into a tiny glass. Serve it in a proper wine glass.

PX lasts a long time in the bottle after it's been opened because it has been fortified (and expect it to pack 15 percent alcohol or higher), which means you can keep enjoying it for at least the next two months, probably longer. Even two or three months' shelf life will vastly extend your pleasure and help you get to know this wine style better over time. It will also spread out your cost and make a

higher price tag seem more reasonable.

These wines are actually not that expensive for how decadent and relatively rare they are. Many are available in smaller bottles (375 or 500 milliliters), in case you want to just dip your toe into the PX waters. And when you store PX bottles, both before you've opened them and after you've re-corked them, make sure they are standing up — not lying down — to protect that cork from the potent elixir inside.

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Brighten your breakfast at these 3 spots



INA PINKNEY
Breakfast With Ina

There really isn't one type of restaurant I prefer, as you will see with this month's choices.

Manny's is an iconic Chicago restaurant and will always be on every list of where to go for a great deli. Southport Grocery & Cafe has been a favorite of mine since it opened in 2003 and where I would go on my rare day off from Ina's. Reno is one of the new all-day neighborhood places that begins with coffee and breakfast and goes from dawn to dark, becoming a bar at night.

Serving very different food, each does a really good job in its niche.

Southport Grocery & Cafe

The "cafe" part of the name is clear, but the "grocery" part needs to be seen to be believed. For a start, this popular Southport spot has a preservationist on staff. Imagine that? Preserving the best of the markets when fruits and vegetables are at their peak, so you can have them all year, is one of the delights here. Whether you need from-scratch soup, bottled sauces, fresh, delicious granola or jams, the shelves that go right down the center of the shop are filled with beautiful jars and boxes that are hard to resist. I sent a gift basket of the offerings to friends who still rave.

I had extraordinary company for breakfast. Chef Debbie Gold, a James Beard winner who has returned to Chicago from her acclaimed Mirador in Kansas City, Mo., is heading the kitchen at Tied House.

I remember eating her desserts at Everest many, many years ago and realizing I was experiencing a true young talent.

We shared lots of food, of course, and loved it all. The breakfast sandwich stacks a ginger-sage sau-



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Corned beef hash with fried matzo, challah French toast and potato pancakes at Manny's Delicatessen.



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Southport Grocery and Cafe's breakfast sandwich with ginger-sage sausage, butterkase, cranberry pepper jelly, arugula and over-easy eggs on an English muffin, with potato mash.

sage, pepper jack cheese, arugula and a fried egg on a house-made English muffin. The vegetable quiche was creamy, filled with fresh vegetables and had a buttery flaky crust.

We ended with a welcome-back hug and grilled coffee cake.

Of note: No reservations, full service, catering, gift baskets, metered street parking, outdoor seating, delivery from DoorDash, "Secret Supper" once a month.

Find it: 3552 N. Southport Ave., 773-665-0100, www.southportgrocery.com

Hours: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Reno

The Logan Square neighborhood is quiet weekday mornings, which I prefer. Walking into Reno, you are immediately tempted by the aroma of its special Dark Matter coffee blend and the assortment of wood-fired bagels and pastries on the counter. (That wood-fired oven makes really good pizzas at night.)

The decision of what to order was hard because the sandwiches, which are also



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Reno's Cowboy Killer has maple fennel sausage with fried egg, bacon, bechamel sauce and rajas on a trinity bun.

available on an English muffin, were all appealing. I ordered the Nando, with house-made chorizo, white cheddar and scrambled egg, and the Cowboy Killer, with maple fennel sausage, bacon, fried egg, rajas, which are roasted poblanos, and a bechamel white sauce — on one of those English muffins.

There is window counter seating upfront, but I sat in the back in a wood booth, which felt cozy. The food was brought to me quickly, and I had time to read the newspaper and linger over the coffee.

I left with a latte, a scone

and a lot of leftovers for dinner.

Of note: Fast casual, metered street parking, cash only.

Find it: 2607 N. Milwaukee Ave., 773-697-4234, www.renochicago.com.

Hours: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (brunch) and 4-11 p.m. (dinner) Saturday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (brunch) and 4-10 p.m. (dinner) Sunday. (Check website for bar hours.)

Manny's

Who better to join me than Mr. Hot Doug, Doug

Sohn? First because he's great company and second because he eats a lot.

When you enter Manny's, there is a very long cafeteria counter line, which was empty when we got there and packed when we left. It moves quickly, and once you pay, there are lots of tables, thanks to a renovation in 2016.

Deciding what to order is not easy because the array of temptations is like a siren's call. Hmmm, potato pancakes, open-face turkey sandwich with gravy, mile-high corned beef sandwiches and dozens of other choices.

Because we were there for breakfast, we ordered food that would be cooked in the kitchen and brought to us. I was glad to see that there were no eggs in the steam table.

We settled on corned beef hash and fried matzo because it's almost impossible to find that very specific dish anywhere and Passover was approaching. I love that it's on the menu all the time!

And whenever there is thick challah French toast on the menu, Doug and I are hooked. It comes with bacon, turkey bacon, turkey sausage, ham, sausage links, corned beef hash, corned beef, pastrami, salami or turkey. Remember, this is a Jewish-style deli, not a kosher one.

Since this is a family affair going back to 1942, dad Kenny sat with us and schmoozed. That's what you do in a deli.

On the way out, I stopped in the retail store at the north end of the dining room and bought some pastrami and halvah, for later. That's what you do in a deli!

Of note: Street parking plus parking behind the restaurant, separate entrance for deli and bakery.

Find it: 1141 S. Jefferson St., 312-939-2855, www.mannysdeli.com.

Hours: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.

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ABEL URIBE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS; LISA SCHUMACHER/FOOD STYLING

Condiments like hot sauce and pickles make a difference and convey the message that "There's no accounting for taste."

CRAVING: LUNCH

Elevating the simple sandwich

Key: Components are experienced individually



JAMES P. DEWAN
Prep School

It's a better-than-even bet that if you're perusing this column, you know how to fill two slices of bread with something delicious. After all, membership in the Club for People-Who-Know-How-to-Read-But-Can't-Make-a-Sandwich is mostly limited to a handful of hideous human-cow hybrids on the lam from Dr. Moreau's Island of Lost Souls. What would they know from sandwiches anyway?

Hybrid or not, we are all of us imperfect creatures fashioning imperfect creations, meaning there's always room for improvement to our hallowed mid-day repast. Read on, then, o ye non-possessors of bovine DNA.

Why you need to learn this

If you're anything like me (may God have mercy

upon your soul), lunch is one of your top three favorite meals. And since nothing says "lunch" more than a sandwich, why not make that sandwich a shining, glorious tribute to the Celebrated Foods of Earth?

The steps you take

First, I want to remind you of the one capital-T Truth that pervades the universe. Ready? Get out your pencils: "There's no accounting for taste."

Got it? You're partial to rough denim jeans, for example, while I prefer supple leather chaps. (Did I just type that out loud?) Or, more on-topic, even though you're the roast beef and Swiss type, I'd never proselytize on behalf of my heinously tasty deviled ham. And that's because there's no such thing as "The Perfect Sandwich."

I will suggest, however, that, regardless of the sandwich you fancy, there are steps you can take to ensure it's as good as can be. It's like the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show. That bichon frise wasn't the best dog on the planet; it was just the closest to its Pla-

tonic ideal. Dig?

Something to remember is that the components of a sandwich are experienced individually rather than subsumed, Borg-like, into the whole. Unlike, say, a beef stew, where the ingredients are all simmered together, each ingredient in a sandwich is experienced individually. The bread, the mayo, the lettuce — every individual item is there to be tasted.

Now, between your cupboard and your fridge, you've probably got more than half a hatful of yummy things to put into a sandwich: your delicious leftover roast chicken, a jar of excellent peanut butter, a can of high-quality tuna. Notice those descriptors: "delicious," "excellent" and "high-quality." The first step to a great sandwich is great ingredients. And nothing, in my stupid opinion, is as important as the bread, and that's where we'll start with the handy suggestions.

1. Bread

Bread, of course, is the one thing that all sandwiches have in common. Oh, sure, throw a jibarito in my face, why don't you, crowing about how that

Puerto Rican-style sandwich and its Latin cousins replace the bread with flattened and fried plantain slices. And now that you're brimming with righteous indignation, you may as well continue: "Ooh, and what about those sandwiches that use two deep-fried chicken scallopini instead of bread?"

OK, Lumpy, I'll give you the jibarito, with the caveat that, at least those plantains are starchy like bread. As for that other abomination, sure, you can call a hamburger between two chicken breasts a sandwich. And I can dress my duck in a vest and call him Jeeves, but he's still not going to buttle me my brandy Alexander, is he? That chicken monstrosity is a sandwich like Dracula's a bat: Everything's cute and tasty until somebody gets their neck punctured.

So, look, here's my point: You need bread for your sandwich, but, the kind of bread is entirely a matter of taste. My kids like that gnarly bread with whole grains and bits of nuts and shards of fossilized teeth. Blech. Me, I like plain white bread.

Lastly, I know again

what you're thinking: "Toast? Not toast?" Sweet mother of Pine-Sol, do I have to decide everything for you? Just get some good bread, and do with it what you will.

2. Condiments

This one sounds obvious, but, stay with me: When using condiments like mayo or mustard, spread them evenly and generously across the entire interior surface of the bread. Oh, stop rolling your eyes. Ignore this piece of advice and that last bite of sandwich will be as dry and tasteless as Caligula's day planner.

3. Layering

This is also important: Whatever you place on your sandwich, whether meats or cheeses or the crumbled remains of Nefertiti's funerary roast, be sure they're layered evenly so that each bite is as consistent as a Venus Williams backhand.

4. Height

And, finally, and I know this disputes the theories of many respected sandwiteri-

ans: Never make a sandwich whose height exceeds the diameter of your yawning maw. My Kendall College colleague, chef Elaine Sikorski, has coined a word, "eatability," to evaluate the entire experience of consuming whatever it is. I'm thinking of those mile-high hamburgers that have become such a rage these days, the ones that are only enjoyed to their fullest back on the Island of Lost Souls by human-rattlesnake hybrids who have to dislocate their lower jaw just to fit the darn thing in.

Eatability also means layering the ingredients in such a manner so as not to have them cascading unfettered from the first bite onto Madge's Chanel bustier.

In short, all of this advice adds up to just one overarching thought: Make all your sandwiches with love.

Now, go fix us some lunch.

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Layering — evenly — is an important element of building a good sandwich.

Deviled ham

Prep: 15 minutes **Makes:** Enough for about 4 sandwiches
The ham-to-mayo ratio can be altered depending on how sloppy or dry you like it.

- 1 pound cooked ham, cut into bite-size pieces and minced in a food processor
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 small onion, cut into small dice
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 to 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise, or to taste
- Hot sauce, as needed
- Salt, as needed
- Black pepper, as needed

Combine first five ingredients. Add mayonnaise a little at a time until you achieve desired consistency. Add hot sauce to desired strength. Season and chill for one hour before serving.

Nutrition information per serving: 382 calories, 27 g fat, 5 g saturated fat, 74 mg cholesterol, 3 g carbohydrates, 1 g sugar, 29 g protein, 2,104 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Variations

- Swap part of the mayo for sour cream, creme fraiche or cream cheese.
- Use a different mustard, like spicy Creole mustard.
- Use green or red onions instead of white.
- Add a tablespoon or two of pickle relish.
- A clove or two of minced garlic never hurt anyone.
- Try a squeeze of lemon juice or a spill of vinegar of your choice.
- Add another veg, like a small dice of celery or carrot.

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Gideon Sweet has a full bar, which is open until 2 a.m. most days and until 3 a.m. Saturdays.



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Amber Lancaster is the executive chef at Sable Kitchen & Bar. She has also worked at Alinea and Moto.

On their way back

Vettel, from Page 1

but four months later, the restaurant closed. Then last year, Elliot united with former mentor Matthias Merges (who had been chef de cuisine at Charlie Trotter's during Elliot's time there) to create Gideon Sweet (named for an apple variety), which opened in November.

Gone are such dishes as the GE Caesar and its Twinkie crouton (though a version of that dish lives on at Booth One, where it's called the Sir Graham Caesar). Instead, there are about 20 small bites (ranging from \$5 to \$16), ideal go-withs for a glass of wine or one of Gideon Sweet's cocktails. And cocktail matching is something Matthias Merges (Billy Sunday, A10, Mordecai) understands well.

But to the food. Start with the bone-marrow croquette, a crunchy package topped with crab mayonnaise and bonito flakes, a very satisfying one- or two-bite experience. A tempura-fried oyster sits in a puddle of chile soy (in the curl of the oyster's shell), topped with salmon roe and dashi foam; the soy and roe restore the salinity that frying took from the oyster.

Roasted heirloom cauliflower, with smoked dates and Marcona almonds, is a triumph of crunchy textures; warm king crab with sea urchin and smoked trout roe excites with soft textures. A crispy potato spiral, doused with sour cream, green-onion shredded bottarga, and micro-inspired by street food but strikes me as elevated-beyond-belief ballpark food.

Specials, always a good bet, might include squid-ink cannelloni with a scal-



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The deviled eggs carbonara at Sable Kitchen & Bar.



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The bone-marrow croquette is topped with crab mayonnaise and bonito flakes at Gideon Sweet.



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Roasted heirloom cauliflower comes with smoked dates and Marcona almonds at Gideon Sweet.

lop mousseline center, in a Thai red-curry sauce, or charred and smoked Spanish octopus with chorizo and smoked potato puree.

For those with late-night cravings, Gideon Sweet's kitchen is open until 1 a.m.

Thursday to Saturday; the bar closes 2 a.m. most days, 3 a.m. Saturday.

Desserts are Gideon Sweet's secret weapon; the pastry chef is the highly regarded Mari Katsumura (daughter of the late Yoshi).

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312-755-9704
sablechicago.com

Tribune rating: ★

Open: Breakfast and dinner daily; brunch Saturday and Sunday

Prices: Large plates \$14-\$38

Noise: Conversation-friendly

Other: Valet parking

Gideon Sweet

841 W. Randolph St.
312-888-2258
gideonsweet.com

Tribune rating: ★★

Open: Dinner Tuesday to Sunday

Prices: Small plates \$5-\$16

Noise: Conversation-challenged

Other: Valet parking

Ratings key: ★★★★★ outstanding; ★★★★ excellent; ★★★ very good; ★ good; no stars, unsatisfactory. The reviewer makes every effort to remain anonymous. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.

She offers just four desserts, but each is extraordinary. A quartet of beignets, filled with parsnip cream, arrives in a double-rocks glass with slivers of cinnamon-sugar-fried parsnip, alongside a dipping sauce of fleur de cacao dark chocolate. The architectural citrus parfait is a vertical composition of angel-food cake, Meyer-lemon sherbet, ruby grapefruit segments and coconut meringue.

Caramel-apple tart with cheddar ice cream is like the comfort food of my youth; her version of halo halo, the classic Filipino sweet, is a you-mix-it parfait of shaved ice, condensed milk, fresh fruit and purple sweet-potato ice cream. I don't know how long Katsumura will be found at this address, so I urge you not to waste any time.

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CRAVING: LUNCH

Putting canned tuna to the test

We tasted, rated 13 brands to see which makes the best salad

BY BILL DALEY

Chicago Tribune

Tuna salad is the stuff of countless lunches, whether sandwiched between slices of bread, scooped onto a bed of lettuce or stuffed into plump tomatoes. But which brand of canned tuna makes the best tuna salad? As part of our monthlong focus on “Craving: Lunch,” Food & Dining sampled tuna salads made from 13 brands of canned light tuna.

Shopping for the tuna was an interesting adventure. Old favorites and newly introduced brands vie for shelf space. Tuna can now be found in slim pouches or glass jars, as well as the familiar can. You can buy “white” tuna, also known as albacore, or “light tuna,” which can be from a number of tuna species. Judging by what I found on the shelves, skipjack is commonly used. Tuna brands I looked at in the supermarket came packed in oil, water, water with vegetable broth or nothing extra. Some brands were salted; others weren’t.

Then there was reading all the small print and deciphering the

symbols found on the can labels. For while this blind tasting focused on what was inside the can, it was impossible not to acknowledge the larger issues surrounding the tuna fishing industry and its impact on the environment and other marine species. Tuna companies devote a lot of space on their labels to telling consumers such things as how the tuna was caught and where, whether the method is safe for dolphins or turtles, and which country processed or canned the tuna. (More information on which types of tuna make for a more “ocean-friendly” choice can be found on the website of the Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch program (seafoodwatch.org).

I bought “light” tuna for the tuna salad tasting because the style is not restricted to one tuna species, such as albacore. And albacore tuna, in my kitchen at least, tends to go into a salad nicoise or another composed salad where the tuna needs to remain largely intact.

Most of the brands I purchased were labeled as “chunk” tuna; my reasoning there being that the tuna is going to get

mashed up anyway in a salad, so why buy “solid” unless you have to? I looked for tuna packed in water because I wanted to see how the fish tasted without a soothing gloss of oil. Interestingly, seven of the brands included vegetable broth with the water. Two of the tuna brands were not packed in anything at all — the labels listed only tuna and salt.

Tasters tried the tuna brands twice.

The first time, each of the 13 tunas was served plain, as-is. If the label said not to drain, the tuna was left undrained. In the second round, the 13 tunas were made into tuna salads. The tuna salads were presented in 13 identical paper bowls lined up on the test kitchen counter. There was no bread or salad served alongside.

The recipe for classic tuna salad comes from “The Good Housekeeping Cookbook” and featured finely chopped celery, mayonnaise, fresh lemon juice and ground black pepper. The test kitchen repeated the recipe 13 times, using a different brand of tuna each time.

This was a blind tasting, meaning tasters didn’t know

which tuna was which. Each participant in the tasting was asked to rate each tuna brand on appearance, aroma, texture and flavor — and how it held up in a tuna salad.

The final score for each brand was determined by how well the panel thought it did in the tuna salad made from “The Good Housekeeping Cookbook.” I’ve also included their rankings when tasted “as-is,” meaning right out of the can. It’s always interesting to see which brands rise and fall depending on how they are presented — you’ll see that here.

The canned tuna brands were purchased near the Chicago Tribune’s downtown location at a Jewel-Osco supermarket, Trader Joe’s and Whole Foods Market. I also shopped for tuna at an Aldi location in the Uptown neighborhood and Devon Market in Rogers Park. I did not buy membership-only club brands because I wanted tuna that the general public had a reasonable chance of buying. Prices listed are what I paid.

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Classic tuna salad

Prep: 10 minutes

Makes: 2 main-dish servings

This recipe, which we used for the tasting, is adapted from 2010’s “The Good Housekeeping Cookbook” (Hearst, \$35). The original recipe called for solid white tuna in water, drained. We subbed in chunk light tuna in water. The recipe also called for a 6-ounce can. All but one of the cans we used were 5 ounces; one was 4.1 ounces.

- 1 can (5 ounces) chunk light tuna in water, drained and broken into pieces
- 2 ribs celery, finely chopped
- 3 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper

In a small bowl, combine tuna, celery, mayonnaise, lemon juice and pepper, flaking tuna with a fork. If not served right away, cover and refrigerate up to 4 hours.

Nutrition information per serving: 194 calories, 16 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 26 mg cholesterol, 4 g carbohydrates, 3 g sugar, 11 g protein, 341 mg sodium, 1 g fiber



1. Safe Catch Elite Wild Tuna

This tuna brand was a clear winner, supporting the tuna salad’s lemony brightness. One taster thought the salad was sassy, salty and peppery because of it. (Ingredients? Skipjack tuna and salt.) “Strongest flavor,” a second taster wrote. “Benefits from the mix.” A third wrote, “Great. Clean taste with juicy pieces.” This brand is sold as “solid wild tuna steak.” Even when broken up for the salad, the tuna chunks were large enough to hold up to the dressing. Sampled on its own, however, this tuna brand tied for sixth place. \$3.49 for a 5-ounce can.



2. Wild Planet Skipjack Wild Tuna

“Please do not drain,” urges the label for this tuna, which is packed without water or oil. Tasters disagreed; the tuna salad had a soupy consistency. While the tuna had a nice marine quality that played off the celery in the salad, naysayers thought the tuna too briny and dry. Tasted on its own, this brand tied for fourth place. This was also the most expensive tuna in the tasting. \$4.69 for a 5-ounce can.



3. (tie) Trader Joe’s Skipjack Tuna in Water

Trader Joe’s tuna tied with StarKist for third place in the tuna salad tasting. “Very fish forward,” one taster wrote, “but gives way to bright pops of lemon. Refreshing.” Another taster thought this brand had good consistency for a sandwich. Others disagreed, finding the tuna a bit mushy. Tasted on its own, this brand tied for last place. \$1.49 for a 5-ounce can.



3. (tie) StarKist Chunk Light Tuna in Water

StarKist bills this on its website as the best-selling canned tuna in the United States. “Very nice tuna taste in this mix. Good texture,” wrote one taster approvingly. Those who disagreed thought the texture more stick-to-your-teeth and felt the tuna flavor was upstaged by celery and mayo. This brand tied for third with Trader Joe’s skipjack tuna brand. It also tied for fourth place when tasted plain. \$1.29 for a 5-ounce can.

5. 365 Everyday Value Chunk Light Tuna in Water

This Whole Foods Market brand had the tuna chunks to help carry the flavor past the assertive celery in the tuna salad. But some thought it too sour, and one called it “fish flavored salad dressing.” Other tasters dissed it for being too mushy. “Not good choice for salad,” one wrote. Tasted on its own, without any adornment, this brand tied for last place. \$1.99 for a 5-ounce can.

6. La Sirena Tuna Chunk Light in Water

“Delightful!” wrote one taster, while another thought the tuna played off the salad’s lemony notes. Most tasters, however, found the tuna too runny and “lost” in the salad. Tasted plain, however, this tuna brand ranked third. \$1.89 for a 5-ounce can.

7. Chicken of the Sea Chunk Light Tuna in Water

Tasters were divided on this brand. “Very flavorful. Tastes like good fish,” wrote one, while a second noted, “Tuna only adds texture, no flavor.” The panel generally found that the tuna salad overpowered the fish, which ranked second when tasted on its own. \$1.29 for a 5-ounce can.

8. (tie) Signature Kitchens Chunk Light Tuna in Water

This house brand found at Jewel-Osco supermarkets tied for eighth place with the Dolores brand. The tuna’s flavor stood up well to the celery in the tuna salad. “Bigger chunks help flavor carry through,” one taster wrote, but others found the tuna texture to be a bit too soft. This brand scored first when tasted by itself. \$1.19 for a 5-ounce can.

8. (tie) Dolores Chunk Light Yellowfin Tuna in Water

Texture matters almost as much as flavor in tuna salad. Some people liked the flavor of this tuna, which tied with Signature Kitchens brand for eighth place, but the texture was faulted. “Good flavor,” one wrote. “But mushy texture that doesn’t hold up in a salad.” Another thought there was a “solid complexity” to the salad, but it looked “goopy and beige.” This tuna tied for eighth place when sampled on its own. \$1.89 for a 5-ounce can.

10. Northern Catch Chunk Light Tuna in Water

This tuna from Aldi was seen as middle-of-the-road by tasters, many of whom thought it fine enough but bland. Some thought this tuna worked well in the lemony salad, but others thought the fish disappeared. It ranked 10th when tasted by itself, and this was the least expensive tuna in the tasting. 79 cents for a 5-ounce can.

11. Sustainable Seas Solid Light Tuna in Water

This tuna had a nice moistness, one taster wrote, but the tuna tasted more of the lemon than the fish. Another thought it wasn’t as vibrant or bright as the salads made with some of the other brands. “Grainy texture,” wrote a third taster, “still unpleasant.” This tuna ranked 11th when tasted alone. \$2.79 for a 4.1-ounce can.

12. Pole & Line Skipjack Tuna

Pole & Line is a product line exclusively made for Whole Foods Market in partnership with California-based American Tuna Inc. Tasters thought the tuna dry and flaky in the salad and weren’t particularly enthusiastic about the flavor. “Chalky and bland,” wrote one. “Tuna is more of a textural experience, some off flavors,” wrote a second. This tuna tied for sixth place when tasted on its own. \$2.69 for a 5-ounce can.

13. Bumble Bee Chunk Light Tuna in Water

Most tasters weren’t keen on this tuna in the tuna salad. “Bland — can only taste celery,” one panelist wrote. “So dry. Sucked away moisture,” a second wrote. “Watery flavor, mushy texture, boo,” wrote a third. But one taster thought this brand was “just fine” in the salad: “Tastes like cafeteria tuna.” Tasted solo, this brand tied for eighth place. \$1.49 for a 5-ounce can.

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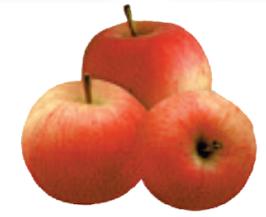
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Dutch Farms
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10 Oz.
2/\$6

Dutch Farms
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16 Oz.
2/\$6

Dutch Farms
Cheese
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10 Oz.
2/\$5

Dutch Farms
Cheese Spread
8 Oz.
\$2.19

Dutch Farms
Regular
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12 Oz.
3/\$5

Dutch Farms
Soft Spread
45 Oz.
2/\$5

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Cream Cheese
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\$3.79

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Herring
8 Oz.
2/\$6
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Starbucks
Latte
40 Oz.
\$4.49

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Soft Spread
41 Oz.
\$3.79

Best Choice
Waffles
24 Pk.
\$3.99

Jimmy Dean
Breakfast Sandwiches
•Biscuit
•Croissant
Selected Varieties
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\$4.99

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\$3.99

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•Regular
•Patriot
20 Pk.
3/\$8

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12 Pk.
2/\$7

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17 - 22 Oz.
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Simek's Lasagna 2 Lb. \$6.99

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•Regular •Mini
10.72 - 16 Oz.
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30 Oz.
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Banquet
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14 Oz.
\$2.39

Hart
Chicken Entree
32 Oz.
2/\$9

Pizza
•Home Run Inn Classic
•Gino's East Tavern Style
12 Inch
2/\$11

Dutch Farms
Sandwiches
5 - 5.7 Oz.
10/\$10

Gino's East
Thin Crust Pizza
12 Inch
3/\$9

Banquet
Meat Pot Pie
7 Oz.
99¢

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Pizza
12 Inch
2/\$9

Best Choice
Granulated Sugar
4 Lb.
3/\$5

Best Choice
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48 Oz.
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Vegetables
14.5 - 15.25 Oz.
2/\$1

Best Choice
Tomatoes
•Whole
•Stewed
•Diced
14.5 - 15 Oz.
2/\$1

Best Choice
Yellow Mustard
20 Oz.
79¢

General Mills
Cereals
•Honey Nut Cheerios 21.6 Oz.
•Cinnamon Toast Crunch 20.25 Oz.
•Lucky Charms 20.5 Oz.
•Cocoa Puffs 20.9 Oz.
•Reese's Puffs 22.9 Oz.
2/\$7

Kellogg's
•Cereals
Frosted Flakes 13.2 - 15 Oz.
Rice Krispies 12 Oz.
Cocoa Krispies 15.5 Oz. or
Corn Flakes 18 Oz.
•Nutrigrain Bars
10.4 Oz.
\$2.99

Quaker
•Cereals
Cap'n Crunch 17.1 - 20 Oz.
or Life 18 Oz.
•Breakfast Flats
5 Ct.
\$2.99

Nabisco
Belvita Breakfast Biscuits
8.8 Oz.
\$2.99

Thomas
Bagels
19 - 20 Oz.
\$2.99

Nabisco
Chips Ahoy Cookies
9.5 - 13 Oz.
2/\$5

Nabisco
•Newtons
•Nilla Wafers
10 - 11 Oz.
\$2.99

Nabisco
Honey Maid
Graham Crackers
12 - 14.4 Oz.
\$2.99

Véa
Crisps
5 Oz.
\$2.99

Archway
Cookies
8.75 - 9.5 Oz.
2/\$5

Old El Paso
Taco Shells
8 - 12 Ct.
2/\$3

Old El Paso
Taco Dinner Kit
9.4 - 12.5 Oz.
2/\$5

La Preferida
Taco Seasoning Mix
1.25 Oz.
3/\$1

Prego
Pasta Sauce
14.5 - 24 Oz.
2/\$4

Barilla
Pasta
•Lasagne
•Jumbo Shells
•Manicotti
8 - 16 Oz.
2/\$4

Aunt Millie's
•Giant Bread
White, Wheat or Italian
24 Oz.
•Deluxe Buns
Hamburger or Hot Dog
8 Ct.
2/\$3

Butternut
Bread
•Italian 18 Oz.
•Whole Grain White 20 Oz.
•Honey Wheat 20 Oz.
\$1.69

Butternut
•Hamburger Buns
•Hot Dog Buns
12 Ct.
\$1.69

Best Choice
Wheat Bread
16 Oz.
99¢

Bread
•Summaid Raisin 16 Oz.
•Cinnabon 16 Oz.
•Sunbeam Texas Toast 24 Oz.
2/\$5

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5 reasons to say 'yes' to active adult living

Active adult communities continue to be a draw for those 55 plus whether they are still working or retired. The category itself affirms this phase of living for those who are vital and active yet seasoned. The following are the top five reasons people choose an active adult community:

The perks: A number of age-restricted communities resemble resort-style living. They include amenities often found in a country club or resort, such as a clubhouse, a health and fitness center, tennis courts, a putting green or golf course and a swimming pool. With some offering indoor and outdoor pools and walking trails. Some communities have activity or lifestyle directors who help organize and promote social and recreational activities.

Homeownership: Those who have enjoyed owning their own homes and prefer single family homeownership are drawn to the maintenance-free lifestyle offered in an active adult community. Reasonably priced, often single-story homes come with low-maintenance exteriors and services such as lawn care and snow shoveling. Builders cater to this demographic by offering floor plans featuring zero-step entries, wider doorways, one level ranch homes and energy-efficient construction that not only benefits the environment but the pocketbook.

Location: While those in this age group

may be ready to leave their old home behind, they aren't looking to leave family and friends behind. Instead of heading to warmer climates, they aim to get the resort-like amenities in a four-season environment without having to move out of state. In addition, many age-restricted communities are built in areas that offer easy access to highways within close proximity to medical facilities, shopping and dining.

Safety and security: Being safe and secure in one's Golden years relieves a lot of stress and anxiety. Some developments are gated and all of them foster a sense of watchfulness and awareness of the neighborhood, as residents develop a natural relationship with one another. Too, one can leave for a vacation or extended snow bird stay and have the peace of mind to lock the front door and not worry about the safety of their home.

Quality of life: Despite the term active adult, deciding how active one wants to be is up to each individual, just as it would be in any neighborhood. The options for social and recreational activities abound and residents can pick and choose among them. Those who live in active adult communities do agree on one advantage enjoyed by all, more time can be invested in living life instead of maintaining a home.

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Carillon at Stonegate
1300 Mansfield Drive
Aurora, IL 60502
630-978-6503
carillonatstonegate.com

Stonegate West

1639 Colchester Lane
Aurora, IL 60505
630-857-3720
ryanhomes.com

CHICAGO

**Pathway Senior Living
Victory Centre of
Galewood**
2370 N. Newcastle Ave.
Chicago, IL 60707
773-295-4033
pathwaysl.com

**Pathway Senior Living
Victory Centre of
Roseland**
10450 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60628
773-614-6831
pathwaysl.com

**Pathway Senior Living
Victory Centre of South
Chicago**
3251 E. 92nd St.
Chicago, IL 60617
773-382-0929
pathwaysl.com

Smith Village
2320 W. 113th Place
Chicago, IL 60655
773-474-7300
smithvillage.org

COUNTY CLUB HILLS

**Pathway Senior Living
Victory Centre of Sierra
Ridge**
24150 Gatling Blvd.
Country Club Hills, IL 60478
708-365-4542
pathwaysl.com

ELGIN

Edgewater
2550 Edgewater Drive
Elgin, IL 60124
847-230-5400
ouredgewater.net

Retreat on Stony Creek
Elgin, IL 60124
630-377-1515
johnhallhomes.com

**Regency at Bowes Creek
Country Club**
3841 Valhalla Drive
Elgin, IL 60124
847-695-0005
tollbrothers.com

ELK GROVE VILLAGE
**Pathway Senior Living
Alexian Village of Elk Grove**
975 Martha St.
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007
847-354-4357
pathwaysl.com

ELMHURST

Lexington Square of Elmhurst



400 W. Butterfield Road
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EVANSTON

Ten Twenty Grove
1020 Grove St.
Evanston, IL 60201
888-866-2111
presbyterianhomes.org

FOX LAKE

Leisure Village
7313 E. Leisure Ave.
Fox Lake, IL 60020
847-587-6795
leisurevillagefoxlake.com

GLENVIEW

Regency at The Glen
3065 Coral Lane
Glenview, IL 60026
847-401-1802
homesintheglen.com

HOFFMAN ESTATES
Haverford Place
5948 Leeds Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60192
847-388-0365
haverfordplaceapts.com

HUNTLEY

Sun City Huntley
12880 Del Webb Blvd.
Huntley, IL 60142
847-515-7650
sccah.com

JOLIET

Timbers Edge Villas
3300 Timbers Edge Circle
Joliet, IL 60435
815-609-2330
timbersedgejoliet.com

**Our Lady of Angels
Retirement Home**
1201 Wyoming Ave.
Joliet, IL 60435
815-725-6631
olaretirement.org

**Pathway Senior Living
Victory Centre of Joliet**
29 N. Broadway St.
Joliet, IL 60435
815-600-8340
pathwaysl.com

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123 West Brush Hill Road • Elmhurst, IL 60126

630.359.3113

Artis Senior Living of Bartlett
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630.855.5939

Active Adult

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Ashbury Woods West

1549 Ashbury Circle
Lemont, IL 60439
630-243-1110
donvenhomes.com

Woodglen

931 Woodglen Lane
Lemont, IL 60439
630-243-1818
donvenhomes.com

LISLE

Villa St. Benedict



1920 Maple Ave.
Lisle, IL 60532
630-852-0345
willastben.org

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LOCKPORT

Lago Vista

16804 Placid Court
Lockport, IL 60441
815-328-3000
hartzhomes.com

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LOMBARD

Lexington Square of Lombard



555 Foxworth Blvd.
Lombard, IL 60148
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lexingtonsquares.com
Lexington Square of Lombard is among the top senior living communities in the area. When you visit, you'll know why. There are beautiful common areas in a walkable midrise building that is sun-drenched with a full six-floor center atrium. The activities, amenities and services are second to none, yet with attractive financial options. This community is family-style and family-owned with local management for exceptional attention to details. Look for yourself — you're going to like it here.

MCHENRY

Patriot Estates

802 Hanson Ave.
McHenry, IL 60050
815-679-6766
patriotestates55.com

NAPERVILLE

Carillon Club

4027 Idlewild Lane
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drhorton.com/chicago

Monarch Landing

2255 Monarch Drive
Naperville, IL 60563
630-590-9818
welcometomonarchlanding.com

ORLAND PARK

Smith Crossing

10501 Emilie Lane
Orland Park, IL 60467
708-326-2300
smithcrossing.org

PARK FOREST

Pathways Senior Living Victory Centre of Park Forest

101 Main St.
Park Forest, IL 60466
708-400-8467
pathwaysl.com

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Carillon at Cambridge Lakes

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drhorton.com

PLAINFIELD

Villas at Fox Run

16651 S. Fox Run Circle
Plainfield, IL 60586
888-908-7018
epconcommunities.com

ROMEORVILLE

Grand Haven

1500 W. Renwick Road
Romeoville, IL 60466
815-609-1532
grandhavenlife.net

ROUND LAKE BEACH

Pathways Senior Living Oak Hill Supportive Living

76 E. Rollins Road
Round Lake Beach, IL 60073
847-201-4179
pathwaysl.com

SHOREWOOD

Shorewood Glen

1415 Justice Court
Shorewood, IL 60404
847-230-5400
shorewoodglen.org

SOUTH BARRINGTON

Regency at The Woods of South Barrington

24 Arches Court
South Barrington, IL 60010
847-381-6600
tollbrothers.com

VERNON HILLS

Pathways Senior Living Victory Centre of Vernon Hills

97 W. Phillip Road
Vernon Hills, IL 60061
847-984-0205
pathwaysl.com

WILMETTE

Mather Place

2801 Old Glenview Road
Wilmette, IL 60091
847-256-9300
matherplacewilmette.com

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645 Handel Lane
Woodstock, IL 60098
888-908-7285
epconcommunities.com

Retirement Communities

Retirement housing: so many choices

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No matter the housing type, price points vary and that naturally will impact the decision being made. Manufactured homes are an option for independent seniors who prefer home ownership with an affordable price tag.

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929 W. Foster Ave.
Chicago, IL 60640
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admiral.kendal.org

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773-697-9003

artis seniorliving.com
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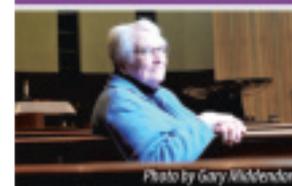
The Breakers at Edgewater Beach

5333 N. Sheridan Road
Chicago, IL 60640
773-433-8947
seniorlifestyle.com

The Clare

55 E. Pearson St.
Chicago, IL 60611
312-784-8100
thclare.com

Mercy Circle



3659 W. 99th St.
Chicago, IL 60655
773-253-3600

mercycircle.org

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Montgomery Place

5550 South Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60637
773-753-4582

montgomeryplace.org

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smithvillage.org

DOWNERS GROVE

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lifespacecommunities.com

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Park Place of Elmhurst

1050 S. Euclid Ave.
Elmhurst, IL 60126
800-707-9924
parkplaceElmhurst.com

EVANSTON

Ten Twenty Grove

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Evanston, IL 60201
877-959-7022
tentwentygrove.org

The Mather

425 Davis St.
Evanston, IL 60201
847-492-7400
thematherevanston.com

The Merion

1611 Chicago Ave.
Evanston, IL 60201
877-343-0506
merionevanston.com

GENEVA

GreenFields of Geneva

0N801 Friendship Way
Geneva, IL 60134
630-410-9963
greenfieldsofgeneva.org

The Holmstad

700 W. Fabyan Parkway
Batavia, IL 60510
877-420-5046
theholmstad.org

GLENVIEW

Vi At The Glen

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Glenview, IL 60026
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viliving.com

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Marian Village

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franciscanministries.org

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LAKE BLUFF

The Sheridan at Green Oaks

29330 N. Waukegan Road
Lake Bluff, IL 60044
224-534-6660
seniorlifestyle.com

LEMONT

Franciscan Village

1270 Village Drive
Lemont, IL 60439
630-296-4748
franciscanministries.org

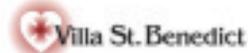
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Lincolnshire, IL 60069
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Short stays provide a preview, respite care

Many life plan communities allow for short stays for two reasons. One is to get a preview of what living in a continuing care retirement community would be like. The other is to offer a much-needed service to seniors and their caregivers: respite care.

Respite care provides a short-term stay that gives caregivers a break and their loved ones a change of scenery. It also has the benefit of personally experiencing what living in a retirement community would be like.

A short stay is similar to staying in a hotel but with more amenities and care. The time can be a few days or several weeks. There are no contracts or leases involved. One simply packs a bag with clothes and personal items and they are off.

For their part, the community chosen provides a fully furnished room or apartment, housekeeping services and daily meals. Temporary guests can also join in any of the activities offered to permanent residents.

Different levels of care are available depending on the needs of the senior, from independent and assisted living to around-the-clock nursing care. Prices for short stays run from about \$150 to \$300 a day. The cost is not covered by Medicare or private insurance so the senior or family is responsible for the bill.

Seniors must put down a deposit and fill out all the paperwork as if they were making a long-term commitment for an apartment. If they decide to leave the community, the deposit is returned.

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BARRINGTON The Garlands of Barrington

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Trends in assisted living

Assisted living senior communities meet an important need in the life of a senior and their family. There comes a time when living alone may not be the best choice. However, many who find themselves in this position also don't want to be a burden to their loved ones or give up some independence. A move into assisted living solves the problem of needing some assistance but not to the point of total dependence on others.

Assisted living is a residential setting where older adults get personalized care that focuses on activities of daily living, such as dressing, bathing and medication reminders. Housekeeping, meals, and transportation services are included in the monthly fee. Some buildings offer a menu of concierge services, for such things as laundry, for an extra fee. Social programs and activities provide the added benefit of enjoying companionship with others the same age.

Some trends to watch in this senior housing option include more personalized care, specific to the needs of the individual resident. This would include choices of

activities, choices in foods and dining options, and choices in living arrangements, whether an apartment, shared room or condo setting.

An overall assessment of the quality of life in these communities is also taking into consideration flexible common areas with multipurpose uses; integrating health with fitness initiatives such as designated areas for exercise or yoga; and going beyond the building to the outdoors offering gardens, sitting areas with shade settings and walking paths and trails.

A recent trend has emerged in buildings that offer assisted living, as well as a memory care option that may one day be needed.

Costs depend on the type of residence, size of apartment, type and extent of services needed, and community location. Settings vary from high-rise apartments to multi-acre campuses and everything in between.

Contact the community you're interested in for a tour. Be prepared with questions to ask and make notes during the visit.

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BARTLETT
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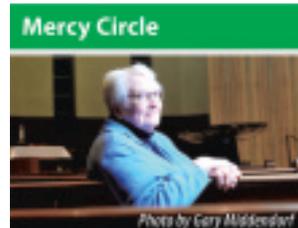
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Breaking up old stereotypes

According to Skilled Nursing News, one trend in 2018 for the long-term and post-acute care industry is the "small house" model. This model focuses on separate manageable living areas for smaller groups of seniors with shared spaces and communal kitchens.

An influx of younger baby boomers is also spurring a trend in short-term care. Operators see a need to make their facilities less institutional. As baby boomers age, the number of people who need short-term rehab after a hospital stay is expected to rise as boomers opt for shoulder, hip and other surgeries to remain active, or require care after a heart attack or other serious illness. The trend is to provide top-notch rehabilitative care along with making these settings as non-institutional as possible. Potential clients are attracted by hotel-like settings and amenities more reminiscent of a resort get-away than a post-hospital stay. Concierge services, 24-hour movie chan-

nels, state-of-the-art rehabilitation gyms, private rooms and gourmet dining help distract from the pain, and some experts say, may help ease the recovery process.

The cost for short-term care is typically paid by Medicare for a prescribed number of days, or by private insurance for those who have it.

Long-term care facilities, whether free-standing or within a life plan community, provide comprehensive care and medical services to people who, due to illness or injury, have limited capacity to perform activities of daily living or being ambulatory. Medicare pays for up to 100 days of skilled care but does not pay for long-term skilled care. Medicaid does help low-income individuals who qualify pay for long-term care.

To be eligible for Medicaid, you must meet the requirements set up by your individual state for different eligibility groups, such as being an older adult. For more information, visit longtermcare.acl.gov.

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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

Transitional Care of Arlington Heights

1200 N. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
847-392-9000
transitionalcare-arlington.com

Lutheran Home

800 W. Oakton St.
Arlington Heights, IL 60004
847-368-7400
lutheranhome.org

AURORA

The Grove of Fox Valley

1601 N. Farnsworth Ave.
Aurora, IL 60505
630-898-1180
thegrovefoxvalley.com

BARRINGTON

Alden Estates of Barrington

1420 S. Barrington Road
Barrington, IL 60010
847-382-6664
aldenestatesofbarrington.com

BROOKFIELD

British Home Rehab Services

Cantata
8700 W. 31st St.
Brookfield, IL 60513
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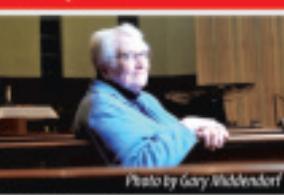


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DOWNERS GROVE

Providence of Downers Grove

3450 Saratoga Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-969-2900
providenceliveservices.com

ELK GROVE VILLAGE

Manorcare of Elk Grove Village

1920 Nerge Road
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847-301-0550
heartland-manorcare.com/elkgrove

ELMHURST

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630-936-4100
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EVERGREEN PARK

The Villa at Evergreen Park
10124 S. Kedzie Ave.
Evergreen Park, IL 60805
708-907-7000
villaatevergreenpark.com

HIGHLAND PARK

Warren Bar North Shore

2773 Skokie Valley Road
Highland Park, IL 60035
847-266-9266
warrenbarnorthshore.com

HILLSIDE

Symphony at Aria

4600 N. Frontage Road
Hillside, IL 60162
708-544-9933
symphonyataria.com

HINSDALE

ManorCare Health Services

600 W. Ogden Ave.
Hinsdale, IL 60521
630-325-9630
hcr-manorcare.com

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Symphony Of Joliet

306 N. Larkin Ave.
Joliet, IL 60435
815-744-5560
symphonyofjoliet.com

LA GRANGE

Meadowbrook of LaGrange

339 S. 9th Ave.
LaGrange, IL 60525
708-354-4660
meadowbrookmanor.com

Plymouth Place

315 N. La Grange Road
La Grange Park, IL 60526
708-354-0340
plymouthplace.org

LAKE ZURICH

Lexington of Lake Zurich

900 South Rand Road
Lake Zurich, IL 60047
847-726-1200
lexingtonhealth.com

LIBERTYVILLE

ManorCare Health Services Libertyville

1500 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Libertyville, IL 60048
847-816-3200
heartland-manorcare.com/Libertyville

MORTON GROVE

Bella Terra

8425 N. Waukegan Road
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-8100
bellaterramortongrove.com

NAPERVILLE

St. Patrick's Residence

1400 Brookdale Road
Naperville, IL 60563
630-416-6565
stpattricksresidence.org

NILES

GlenBridge Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center

8333 W. Golf Road
Niles, IL 60714
847-966-9190
glenbridgerehab.com

NORTHBROOK

The Grove of Northbrook

263 Skokie Blvd.
Northbrook, IL 60062
847-564-0505
groveofnorthbrook.com

PALATINE

St. Joseph's Home

80 W. Northwest Highway
Palatine, IL 60067
847-358-5700
littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org

ROLLING MEADOWS

Manorcare Of Rolling Meadows

4225 Kirchoff Road
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
847-397-2400
heartland-manorcare.com

SCHAUMBURG

Friendship Village

Briarwood Healthcare Center
350 W. Schaumburg Road
Schaumburg, IL 6019
847-884-5000
friendshipvillage.org

WESTMONT

Westmont - Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

6501 S. Cass Ave.
Westmont, IL 60559
630-960-2026
briaahs.com/locations/westmont

WHEATON

Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital & Clinic

26W171 Roosevelt Road
Wheaton, IL 60187
630-909-8000
marianjoy.org

WHEELING

Greek American Rehabilitation & Care Centre

220 N. First St.
Wheeling, IL 60090
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greekamericancare.org

The latest in memory care

When the diagnosis of Alzheimer's or dementia is confirmed, many families choose to take care of their loved ones at home. However, as the condition worsens and caregiving becomes overwhelming a memory care facility is considered. Not only does this option offer expert care for the person with dementia, it offers peace of mind to those who love them.

As the population ages, the need for memory care is becoming more apparent. Many continuing care or life plan communities meet that need, as does long-term care facilities. A recent trend has emerged offering places dedicated to memory care only, or combining assisted living and memory care.

Senior Housing News recently identified other trends in memory care. Wandering is one of the biggest concerns for those tasked with caring for Alzheimer and dementia patients. Wandering at night is most concerning. Some memory care facili-

ties have put in place a system of multiple sensors that can not only track movement but provide other data to help address this worry.

A system of up to 11 sensors per room can collect behavioral data for both immediate alerts and long-term trend analysis, says Senior Housing News.

Housing in memory care varies from private suites to shared rooms. Another trend is to allow residents to have some of their personal furniture and or other items that are familiar to them to make the transition more comforting.

Medicare does not pay for memory care and this type of care is expensive. Monthly costs range from about \$5,000 to \$7,000. Some buildings have an all-inclusive rate, while others charge fees based on the level of care needed by the resident. Families rely on savings, long-term care insurance, and veterans' benefits to pay for those in specialized care.

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ALGONQUIN

Clarendale of Algonquin

2001 W. Algonquin Road
Algonquin, IL 60102
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clarendaleofalgonquin.com

BLOOMINGDALE

Lakeview Memory Care

241 E. Lake St.
Bloomington, IL 60108
224-333-2974
koelschseniorcommunities.com

BURR RIDGE

Harvester Place

150 S. Frontage Road
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
630-230-1170
anthemmemorycare.com

CAROL STREAM

Belmont Village Geneva Road

545 Belmont Lane
Carol Stream, IL 60188
630-510-1515
genevaroad.belmontvillage.com

CARY

Three Oaks Assisted

Living & Memory Care
1055 Silver Lake Road
Cary, IL 60013
224-513-1595
spectrumretirement.com

CHICAGO

The Admiral at the Lake

929 W. Foster Ave.
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773-433-1800
admiral.kendal.org

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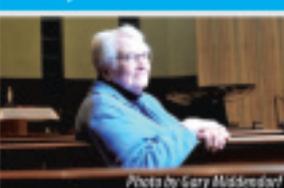


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Mercy Circle resident Sister Ellen Marie Ryan, RSM with rehab manager Joanna Ruzich

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Lexington Square of Elmhurst



400 W. Butterfield Road
Elmhurst, IL 60126
630-528-2269

lexingtonsquares.com

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2 South 706 Park Blvd.
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
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arden-courts.com

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Belmont Village Glenview

2200 Golf Road
Glenview, IL 60025
847-657-7100
glenview.belmontvillage.com

Emerald Place

1879 Chestnut Ave.
Glenview, IL 60025
630-296-6383
anthemmemorycare.com

GRAYSLAKE

Travans Living at Grayslake

1865 E. Belvidere Road
Grayslake, IL 60030
847-805-8477
travansliving.com

HIGHLAND PARK

Silverado Highland Park Memory Care

1651 Richfield Ave.
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224-217-9235
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Symphony at Aria

4600 N. Frontage Road
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HOMEWOOD

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LAKE BLUFF

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Lake Bluff, IL 60044
224-534-6660
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LAKE ZURICH

Cedar Lake Assisted Living & Memory Care

777 Church St.
Lake Zurich, IL 60047
224-286-1942
spectrumretirement.com

LEMONT

Franciscan Village

1270 Village Drive
Lemont, IL 60439
630-296-4748
franciscanministries.org

LISLE

Villa St. Benedict



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1920 Maple Ave.

Lisle, IL 60532

630-852-0345

villastben.org

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LOMBARD

Lexington Square of Lombard



555 Foxworth Blvd.

Lombard, IL 60148

630-528-2269

lexingtonsquares.com

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LONG GROVE

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2300 Illinois Route 53
Long Grove, IL 60047
847-380-8492
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MORTON GROVE

Silverado Orchard Park Memory Care

5520 Lincoln Ave.
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NAPERVILLE

HarborChase of Naperville

1619 N. Mill St.
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ManorCare Health Services/Naperville

200 Martin Ave.
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Glen Oaks Health and Rehabilitation Center

270 Skokie Blvd.
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glenoaksrehab.com

Northbrook Inn

90 Pointe Drive
Northbrook IL 60062
224-231-0690
koelschseniorcommunities.com

OAKBROOK TERRACE

Terra Vista of Oakbrook Terrace

1635 S. Ardmore Ave.
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
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terravista.org

PALOS HEIGHTS

Arden Courts Memory Care Community

7880 W. College Drive
Palos Heights, IL 60463
708-361-8070
arden-courts.com

PROSPECT HEIGHTS

Greenbrier of Prospect Heights

708 N. Elmhurst Road
Prospect Heights, IL 60070
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ROMEOVILLE

Senior Star at Weber Place

606 S. Edward Drive
Romeoville, IL 60446
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seniorstar.com

TINLEY PARK

Porter Place

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Harbor House

Memory Care

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