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Trump blasts 'disgraceful' disclosure

President assails 'phony crime' amid report of probe questions

BY CHRIS MEGERIAN
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump angrily insisted again Tuesday there was no collusion between his presidential campaign and Russians in the 2016 election, but special counsel Robert Mueller apparently isn't convinced.

After speaking with prosecutors on Mueller's team, Trump's lawyers compiled a list of about four dozen questions that they thought Mueller likely would ask during a potential interview with the president, according to sources with knowledge of the process who declined to speak publicly. Roughly a quarter of the

questions focused on what the president knew about Russia's efforts to interfere in the campaign.

"During the campaign, what did you know about Russian hacking, use of social media or other acts aimed at the campaign?" reads one inquiry on the list.

The New York Times first disclosed the list and a source confirmed its authenticity to the Washington Bureau. It's unclear if Mueller has changed or

expanded his areas of inquiry, which were detailed about a month ago. Since then, Trump's longtime personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, was the target of raids by FBI agents pursuing a separate criminal investigation in Manhattan.

Meanwhile, CNN reported Tuesday that Mueller's team is seeking to delay the sentencing of former national security adviser Michael Flynn, who is cooperating in the Russia

probe. Mueller's team has sought two more months, CNN reported. Flynn pleaded guilty to lying to investigators.

Also Tuesday, former Trump attorney John Dowd told The Associated Press that Mueller raised at an early March meeting the prospect of issuing a grand jury subpoena to compel the president to testify as part of the Russia probe.

The Washington Post reported that Trump's law-

yers insisted he had no obligation to talk with federal investigators, prompting Mueller's warning of a subpoena, according to four people familiar with the encounter.

The Post reported that the warning spurred a sharp retort from Dowd, then the president's lead lawyer.

"This isn't some game,"

Dowd said, according to

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Patrick Henry Elementary teacher Grace Rios helps Evelyn Perales with fractions last week while other students get math help from a peer.

CPS 'personalized learning' initiative draws \$14M 'like'

Gift from Facebook CEO's charity will help extend tailored lessons to more kids



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

It was a Friday afternoon, and Grace Rios' fifth-grade math class was buzzing with the sort of energy usually reserved for recess.

Students were moving around, playing games, chatting

up their classmates. Compound fractions seemed an unlikely spark for such electricity, but this was not your typical classroom.

Rios teaches at Patrick Henry Elementary, one of 120 Chicago public schools that have incorporated "personalized learning" into their curriculum since the 2014-15 school year. The idea is to tailor lessons to students' individual needs, giving them the ability to learn in the ways — and at the pace — that work best for them.

It's a little unconventional, a

little chaotic and, maybe, quite possibly, revolutionary.

And it's earning the attention of some big names.

On Tuesday, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative — Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and his wife, physician Priscilla Chan's, philanthropic organization — announced a \$14 million grant to CPS and LEAP Innovations to bring personalized learning programs into more Chicago schools.

CPS and LEAP, a nonprofit organization that works with schools to implement person-

alized learning, estimate the grant will bring the programming into roughly 100 more schools. Funding, they say, will go toward training teachers and principals, purchasing technology and other classroom resources and redesigning classrooms to support personalized learning.

"We've been living with an education system that is very one-size-fits-all," said Phyllis Lockett, LEAP Innovations founder and CEO. "We end up

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Foxconn receives big break on smog

Pruitt defies EPA staff, gives parts of Wis. pass on limits

BY MICHAEL HAWTHORNE
Chicago Tribune

The Trump administration on Tuesday exempted most of southeast Wisconsin from the latest federal limits on lung-damaging smog pollution, delivering a political victory to Gov. Scott Walker as he makes a new Foxconn Technology Group factory the centerpiece of his re-election campaign.

By greatly reducing the size of the areas required to crack down on smog, Trump EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt overruled the agency's career staff, a move that will save Foxconn from having to install more expensive equipment as it builds an electronics plant in Racine County, just north of the Illinois border in an area with some of the state's dirtiest air.

Pruitt also pared back the list of counties with dirty air in Illinois and Indiana, a decision that could add to Chicago's chronic problems with pollution linked to asthma attacks, heart disease and early deaths.

Tweaking the list of counties in violation of federal smog standards is the latest attempt by Pruitt to roll back or delay environmental regulations enacted during the Obama administration. It comes as a new peer-reviewed study found that improvements in air quality across the U.S. have slowed significantly in recent years.

The EPA did not address

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Advocates rally on behalf of Salvadoran family

The family was split apart at the border after fleeing gang violence in El Salvador. Ana, 42, and her sons are in Evanston waiting for their asylum application to be heard. Her daughter is in Texas and faces deportation. **Chicagoland, Page 4**

United Airlines adds restrictions to pet transport

After a series of animal-related incidents and an internal review this year, the Chicago-based airline will resume booking pet travel this summer. But only dogs and cats will be allowed in cargo. **Business**

Dispute cancels Cinco de Mayo parade, festival



CHUCK BERMAN/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2013
The annual Cinco de Mayo parade in Chicago's Little Village neighborhood and a companion festival planned for Douglas Park have been idled for 2018.

Little Village event planner, alderman not on same page

BY LAUREN CHVAL
RedEye

Chicago's Cinco de Mayo parade in Little Village has been canceled just days before stepping off, the event's organizer and an alderman say.

The free, family-centric event celebrating the Mexican army's victory at the Battle of Puebla in 1862 was set to start at noon Sunday at Cermak Road and Damen Avenue. A companion festival planned for Douglas Park has also been canceled.

Hector Escobar, who coordinates the event for the Cermak Road Chamber of

Commerce, blamed the parade's cancellation on 12th Ward Ald. George Cardenas' lack of support. Escobar cited years of conflict between his group and the alderman, including a letter Cardenas sent to the city in 2014 explicitly saying he didn't support the chamber's parade.

"This is a community event for 40 years, and it's a shame that he's been sending these letters that he does not support our event," Escobar said.

Cardenas confirmed he sent the letter four years ago but denied his office had anything to do with the cancellation of the parade this year.

"We don't cancel anything," Cardenas said.

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Tom Skilling's forecast High 83 Low 65

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Invitation to participate in Tribune's On the Table

The Chicago Tribune is taking part again this year in the Chicago Community Trust's annual On the Table program Tuesday. This will be a luncheon from noon to 1:15 p.m.

The trust introduced this initiative in 2014, encouraging organizations all over the Chicago area to participate as a way to encourage discussion and ideas about how to build a strong community. The idea was to have these conversations around meals.

If you are interested in joining us, please send a note to ReaderHelp@chicagotribune.com and tell us in three paragraphs why you would like to participate. We have space for some readers, in addition to some Tribune staff members. More information about the civic program can be found at www.onthetable.com

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JOHN KASS

A moutza ballot packed with worthy contenders

Holy Name Cathedral?

Have a moutza, boys, it'll keep you warm on the way to hell. Nah!

Or what of the angry horde of skinny white boys in fuzzy pink hats, shame-tweeting on Kanye West, the black rapper who dared step off the liberal plantation?

We're living in the movie "Idiocracy," dammit. Nah!

"A double Nah Nah to the Chicago Fire for building up John Kass' hopes again only to send him to the valley of despair once more," writes Jerry Coglianese.

Nice try, Jerry, but no. Fans are all about hope. We're childlike in this regard. Go Fire.

Reader Tom Samata read my column about the movie "Chappaquidick" and nominated me for the Gold-Moutza.

"Not that I disagree with your 'Chappaquidick' review, but I nominate anybody who claps in a movie theater," writes Samata. "You're just annoying people more than you usually do."

Tom, slow clapping was all about my dragon energy. C'mon man.

"Moutza for the guy that nominated you," said Richard Hamen.

Please people, don't fight over little old me. Why not direct your moutza elsewhere, like, say, at Kennecia Posey?

Posey was pulled over by police in Fort Pierce, Fla., and arrested for having cocaine in her purse.

"I don't know anything about any cocaine," she said, according to police reports. "It's a windy day. It must have flown through the window and into my purse."

Nah!

Or that dirty old man in California, who, according to a trustworthy British tabloid, purchased five expensive sex robots and asked a reporter to call him "Brick."

"You look eyes with these dolls, it's surreal," says "Brick."

Don't you dare look at our hands with those filthy eyes of yours, you creepy geezer perv. Nah! Parta!

But in the end, there can be only one.

And so for the gazillion "Game of Thrones" fans in the world, George R.R. Martin, lift your tired, bearded head.

You win the April Moutza of the Month.

We love you, George, but don't get sidetracked on another project. Finish the series, dammit. We need to know what happens to Jon Snow, Daenerys Stormborn, mother of dragons, and the Imp.

Hit the keyboard, George. Tell us who wins the Game of Thrones. There's a more important hand than the Hand, or power behind the throne, in your epic novels.

Worry about this hand, the one staring at you, the golden hand.

The Golden Moutza of April is for you.

Nah!

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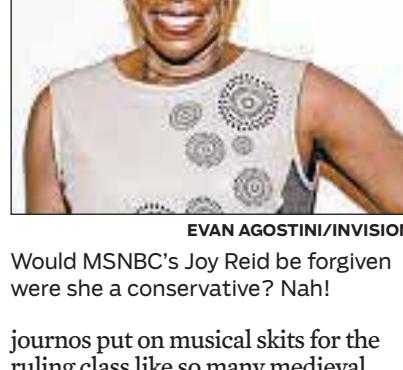
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Tributes to Alfie Evans lie outside the children's hospital in Liverpool, England, where the toddler died Saturday.



MATT SAYLES/AP 2013

George R.R. Martin has yet to complete his "Game of Thrones" series.



EVAN AGOSTINI/INVISON

Would MSNBC's Joy Reid be forgiven were she a conservative? Nah!

Journos put on musical skits for the ruling class like so many medieval jesters, all but prancing in motley and curly-toed boots, makes me ill.

Any wonder why so many Americans think journalism has lost touch with the people?

Hey, how about those two Chicago men charged with stealing as much as \$100K from the collection plates at

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CHA teen girls film documentaries, find power



MARY SCHMICH

Mychala McDonald had to mull for a moment before describing the documentary she helped to make last summer, the one that on Wednesday will get its premiere screening in the grandeur of the Chicago Cultural Center.

"My film is — give me one second to think about it —"

It was Tuesday afternoon and McDonald, a junior at Hyde Park Academy High School, was talking by phone between classes, surrounded by the clutter of school.

"It's about the murder and the crime, the tragic things that happen in Chicago," she finally said. "It built off me thinking about my father. He was killed by gun violence sitting in his parked car."

Before she participated in the DePaul University Film Program, designed for girls who live in CHA housing, McDonald had never made more than a funny video on her phone. But then there she was last summer, on a film crew with three other girls, traveling to the North Side and the South Side, looking for stories and perspectives on violence, sharing her own.

In the girls' documentary, called "Hope for Change," one of four short docs featured in Wednesday's screening, she tells the story of the November night in 2015 that she phoned her dad.

"Something made me call him out of the blue to tell him I loved him," she recalled Tuesday.

Within half an hour, he had been shot to death in a parking lot in the village of Robbins, just south of the city.

"I started crying throughout the recording," she said, remembering how



DEPAUL UNIVERSITY PHOTOS

The CHA film team from the DePaul University Film Program included, from left: Tiana Gillen, Mychala McDonald, Jimmy Boratyn and Jabria Anderson.



Shania Haynes, a senior at Whitney M. Young Magnet High School, helped make a short doc called "Love is Love."

she told the story on film. "We edited some of the things out."

Still, recording it for the documentary felt fortifying, and that's the point.

"The reason we wanted to partner with the Chicago Housing Authority was to give a voice to an underrep-

resented group, specifically young women," says Liliane Calfee, who founded the program. "When we hear about the challenges faced in these communities, we often miss the female perspective."

The program, which will be in effect for its third

summer this year, matches 16 girls with faculty and grad students who help them learn not only film technique but how to express and collaborate.

Put a camera in the hands of these young women, Calfee believes, put a spotlight on what they think, and you've given them more than summertime fun.

"It's the possibility of breaking a cycle," she said. "I feel strongly that if young women pursue their education, if they make good choices for themselves, they raise their economic position and it gives them a better shot at how they raise their children."

Shania Haynes, a senior at Whitney M. Young Magnet High School, is another of the filmmakers who will show their short docs Wednesday. The film she and her team made, about

the LGBTQ community, is called "Love is Love."

"It's focused on two Chicago teens with very different lives, but one thing they shared was that they were in the community and facing discrimination," she said. "They're both people of color and they come from religious families, one from the South Side, the other from the North."

Haynes, who is gay, said she hasn't faced a lot of discrimination. Her school is diverse, her family supportive. But she runs a campus club for LGBTQ students and sees the trouble others confront.

If she had to sum up her documentary's message, it would be: "Don't hate someone for something they can't change."

Like all the girls in the film program, Haynes lives in CHA housing.

"It means you're poor," she said. "Maybe you're poor because you don't have a good job or because you have too many people to support, which is basically my story. But don't write people off for their socioeconomic status."

How the stories of Chicago get told is intertwined with who tells them, who gets to tell them.

"I have seen many movies about crime in Chicago," McDonald said, "but when real-life people, not actors, can speak their story, it gives more meaning to it."

Getting to tell your story and voice your views publicly is a form of power. On Wednesday, at a screening from 6 to 7:30 p.m., free and open to the public, a group of real-life young women will demonstrate theirs.

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Advocates make plea for Salvadoran family

Daughter at risk of deportation in asylum case

BY NEREIDA MORENO
Chicago Tribune

The nightmare began four years ago for Ana and her family, when the brutal MS-13 gang killed her husband in their native El Salvador. The family had been the target of shake-downs and assault by the gang, and the tormenting only continued after the murder.

She and her family left everything behind and fled to the United States in 2015 to escape from the violence, Ana said. They made it only so far.

Immigration authorities detained the family at the U.S.-Mexico border, and Ana's daughter, Yesica, was deported. Ana and her two sons were allowed to stay and apply for asylum. Back in El Salvador, the violence continued for Yesica — she testified that she was sexually assaulted and decided to make another try at entering the United States. But again, she was caught and is being held at a detention center in Texas.

Today, the family members remain separated. Ana, 42, and her sons are in Evanston, living in a church as they wait on their application for asylum to be heard in a Chicago immigration court. Yesica's deportation is imminent, but she is waiting for the Supreme Court to consider a request for a stay that was filed on Friday. The Tribune is not using the family's last name for safety reasons.

Their case has drawn increasing support from advocates and Chicago-area lawmakers, including U.S. Rep. Jan Schakowsky, who has reached out to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials on the family's behalf.

The case also highlights two prominent policy objectives of the Trump administration. While the president has taken a harder line on immigration, he has singled out MS-13, which is known for its violence and brutality. In his State of the Union speech, he vowed to crack down on the gang. To send Yesica or her family members back to El Salvador would amount to a death sentence, advocates say.

"It would be cruel and inhumane to deport (Yesica) back knowing the danger she faces," said Jérôme Anaya-Ortiz, a spokesman for Schakowsky.

Immigration officials would not say when Yesica, 22, is being deported but confirmed that she would stay in custody while the court considers her case.

Complicating Yesica's case is that she illegally



Ana and her sons are in Evanston, living in a church as they wait on their application for asylum to be heard in Chicago.



Yesica, shown with Ana and Walter, was deported but reportedly was sexually assaulted and re-entered the U.S.

re-entered the U.S. after being deported, which is a felony. Advocates say Yesica was improperly coerced into signing for voluntary departure during her first arrest and that she would most likely be killed if she were forced to return to El Salvador.

An immigration judge in Texas denied Yesica bond in January 2017; the Supreme Court may take up to a month to review her case, said her attorney, Matthew Nickson. Multiple requests for release were submitted to ICE, including a request for a change of detention location and court venue to Chicago so she could be near her family.

Attorneys are fighting to keep her in the country to protect her from MS-13. After months of repeated threats, Ana said gang members shot and killed her husband outside her business and warned that Yesica would be next.

Yesica testified in immigration court that she was told, "Prepare yourself for what's awaiting you."

Life wasn't always so terrifying for Ana and her

"It would be cruel and inhumane to deport (Yesica) back knowing the danger she faces."

— Jérôme Anaya-Ortiz,
spokesman for U.S. Rep.
Jan Schakowsky

family. She met her late husband, Walter, in the early 1990s, and settled in San Salvador. They owned a produce shop in Mercado Central, a sprawling outdoor marketplace where Walter worked as a private security guard while Ana ran the business.

But before long, they began to have run-ins with MS-13, Ana said. Gang members would shake down business owners at the marketplace for \$25 to \$30 a week to "avoid having problems," she said.

"If you don't listen they will kill you, but if you obey

they'll still kill you," Ana said.

Ana's account was corroborated by testimony that Yesica gave in immigration court last May. While the judge at the end of the hearing said he believed Yesica, he denied her appeal, saying that her case did not rise to the standard for asylum to be granted and that she could relocate within El Salvador.

As her parents operated the business, Yesica was studying less than a mile away and sometimes hung out at the shop during study breaks. Gang members took notice, Ana said.

In September 2014, Yesica complained that an MS-13 member followed her through the marketplace and tried to grab her.

She was visibly shaken, Ana said. From that day forward, Yesica was scared of being alone and avoided that area.

Ana believes her husband confronted the gang members, then 10 days after the grabbing incident, he was slain next to their produce stand.

Soon, strange men began to call her, demanding money from her late husband's life insurance policy, she said. They would taunt her and demand that she bring Yesica to the market, she said.

When she refused to comply, Ana said gang members verbally threatened her: "If you don't bring your daughter, you can't be here either. We will kill your family. We know where you live," she recalled. "There is no escaping."

Having spent 17 years in the marketplace, Ana said she recognized some of the aggressors.

"That's the part that hurt the most — they knew me. I

had no idea what to

watched those children grow up, and now they're involved with the gang," she said.

In March 2015, Ana

skipped work to attend a baptism and left her two employees to run the business.

Her neighbors told her

that men in suits had come

to look for her and that she

should flee, but Ana said she

brushed off the threats.

"That's what they didn't like

— I didn't show fear," she

said. "I kept working."

The next day, she said she saw a well-dressed young man waiting outside her produce stand. He asked for her name and told her that he had a message for her,

Ana said, lifting his shirt to

reveal a gun.

It was a busy morning,

and her customers didn't

notice the exchange. They

carried on, and the man

eventually walked away.

Ana said she has witnessed

many people, including her

own husband, shot in the

middle of the market. She

credits God with saving her

life that day.

That incident was Ana's

breaking point. She ar-

ranged for a taxi to pick up

her children and her at

dawn, and they left the

country with just two back-

packs and \$300 in cash.

She and her family took a

bus and traveled through

Guatemala and Mexico for

two months. They made it

to the U.S.-Mexico border

on June 16, 2015, and were

immediately detained.

Ana said she abandoned

her home and her small

business, leaving everything

fully intact. She didn't tell

anyone they were leaving

for fear of drawing un-

wanted attention.

"I felt free the second we

left San Salvador," she said.

"I had no idea what to

expect. All I wanted to do was save my children."

The family was split apart at the border, and Ana hasn't seen her daughter since. Immigration authorities released her and her two sons, then 15 and 7, and moved their asylum case to Chicago, where her two nephews live. The family reports for regular immigration check-ins every two months.

Yesica was deported to El Salvador and stayed with extended family for about seven months until she was sexually assaulted by one of her relatives, according to Ana. She fled the country on her own and told her mother only after she reached Guatemala.

After a month of traveling, Yesica was detained at the Texas border in April 2016. "I thought, 'Oh God, why did you do this?' I was scared that something would happen to her," Ana said. "It's difficult, but it's our reality. I may never see my daughter again."

Ana's sons are 19 and 10 now and both attend school. Her family members are active members of St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Evanston, and have resided at Lake Street Church since August 2015.

Melanie Schikore, executive director of the Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants, said the organization works with the Evanston-based Lake Street parish to house Ana's family and provide educational, legal and medical services.

Attorneys from the National Immigrant Justice Center are counseling lawmakers on how to support the family's case. A spokesman for Schakowsky said she has contacted immigration authorities on the family's behalf.

U.S. Sens. Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth and Reps. Luis Gutierrez and Mike Quigley of Illinois and Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas have also expressed support.

"This is a political issue as much as it's a legal issue," said Nickson, Yesica's attorney. "These cases take time to work through the system. It's something that we're seeing more and more in this part of the country."

Nickson said it's "very difficult" to win an appeal.

Still, Ana remains hopeful that Yesica will be released from the Joe Corley Detention Facility in Conroe, Texas, and reunited with her family in Evanston.

Ana said she spends most of her time in the Evanston Public Library reading and learning English.

"We wouldn't have left everything behind unless it was life or death," Ana said. "I live day by day, begging God for a miracle."

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Chicago female paramedics sue, alleging sexual harassment

5 contend city has failed to correct pervasive culture

BY ANNIE SWEENEY AND JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

The female Chicago Fire Department paramedic had allegedly been fending off lewd comments and sexual advances from a superior for weeks last fall when she had an unnerving encounter with him after she went into private firehouse sleeping quarters to get some rest.

She'd taken off her boots and the room was dark when the superior — a field chief and 38-year veteran — entered the firehouse using a special key, opened the door and said, "I see you are laying down," according to a federal lawsuit filed Tuesday.

Fearing she would be sexually assaulted, the woman jumped up and demanded the chief turn the lights on. After he refused

and took a step toward her, she pulled back her foot and prepared to defend herself. "Maybe I should leave," the chief allegedly said.

The woman reported the incident to another boss who took it up the chain of command. Not only was the field chief not disciplined but also within days rumors began to spread among the woman's co-workers that she was unstable. One fellow paramedic turned his back on her when she arrived at an accident scene.

The harrowing allegations were included in a federal sexual harassment and gender discrimination lawsuit filed against the city Tuesday by five female paramedics who claim they were groped, stalked and forced to endure repeated sexually explicit remarks from superiors.

In addition to the allegations against the field commander, three other women made allegations against the same ambulance commander. One said he tried to kiss her and force her to inappropriately touch him. The two others said he repeatedly made sexually explicit comments, including asking, "What kind of panties do you wear at work?"

A fifth woman alleged that she was targeted for

retaliation after she filed a complaint and ultimately an order of protection against her former boyfriend, a longtime firefighter. In October, she was accused of making false allegations against another department member and threatened with termination, although the allegations were later dismissed as unsustained, according to the suit.

The plaintiffs are listed in the suit as Jane Does. Their attorney, Lynn Palac, said in an email that they did not wish to comment publicly, adding the women "want to remain productive employees" but filed the lawsuit as a way to get "relief from the current hostile work environments."

"The fire department and city has known about these complaints for a while and done absolutely nothing for these women," Palac said.

Bill McCaffrey, a spokesman for the city's Law Department, declined to comment specifically on the suit but said in a statement that "the city of Chicago

does not tolerate harassment of any kind."

Fire Department spokesman Larry Langford also had no comment on the allegations or if any of the men accused in the suit had been disciplined or removed from duty.

The field chief accused in the complaint allegedly talked with his female subordinate about his home sex life, saying his wife was a grandmother who "acted like it." He solicited the woman for a "no-strings" sexual relationship and repeatedly texted her sexually inappropriate messages, according to the suit.

Many of the messages contained a juvenile style of sexual humor. "I'll hook up with you later (nyuck nyuck) and make sure you get off," the chief wrote in a text about the woman's request to trade ambulance assignments.

Another woman who is part of the suit alleged that she was subjected to several unwanted sexual advances by an ambulance com-

mander, including an incident in April 2017 when the commander grabbed her when the two were alone in a medic room at St. Joseph Hospital and "kissed her and licked her face."

As the woman tried to push him off of her, the commander allegedly said, "Come on, you know you want it," before grabbing her wrist and forcing her hand on his genitals, according to the suit. She ran out of the room but then had to work with him on the ambulance the rest of the night, the suit alleged.

The woman filed a complaint with the city's Equal Employment Opportunity Commission office, but when investigators interviewed her months later, they threatened her with discipline for failing to give the name of a friend she said she'd told about the abuse.

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Appeals court affirms parental rights of nonbiological mother

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A woman whose former wife had a baby through artificial insemination has parental rights to the child even though they're not biologically related, an Illinois appeals court has ruled. The ruling also applies to opposite-sex parents, attorneys said, and sets precedent for northern Illinois outside of Cook County.

"We're thrilled," said attorney Camilla Taylor, who helped argue the appeal. "This solidifies a body of law in Illinois that protects the relationship between children and their nonbiological parents."

The case involves Dee Baron-Judd and Ashlie Judd, who married in Iowa in 2009 and bought a home in Rockford. A few years later, they decided Baron-Judd would seek to conceive a child through artificial insemination, according to the 2nd District Appellate Court ruling, which came down Friday.

The two were together at the hospital when the baby was born, identified themselves as co-parents on the birth certificate and sent out a birth announcement, the ruling noted. After the delivery, both took time off work to care for the girl, who is now 4, and, according to Judd's testimony, called both women "mom."

Seven months after the girl was born, the couple separated, and later divorced. Illinois law recognizing same-sex marriage took effect in 2014, and the U.S. Supreme Court recognized same-sex marriage in 2015, both after the couple's daughter was born.

The trial court in Winnebago County ruled that the nonbiological mother, Judd, had a legitimate parental relationship with the child, which the Appellate Court affirmed. Since the divorce, the two women have been sharing custody and parenting responsibilities.

"She's been my daughter, and she understood that I was her parent," Judd said. "She's doing good, growing like a weed — a happy, healthy kid."

Her former wife had a different reaction. "My daughter's best interest is for her to be with her own biological mom," Baron-Judd said. "It was a very short time that (Judd) spent with the child, she had no real interactions with the child." (The former couple were not fully identified in the suit but consented to being named in this report.)

Baron-Judd's attorney, Zachary Townsend, said the case is not as much about same-sex marriage as it is about a nonbiological parent who, he argued, never adopted, took guardianship, or otherwise formalized her relationship to the child.

Townsend said he was "taken aback" that the Appellate Court failed to make a judgment in the best interests of the child. He also called it judicial activism for the court to cite two cases in its ruling that neither party cited in their arguments.

The ruling can cut both ways. Not only can parents assert custodial and visitation rights involving their nonbiological child, they may be held responsible for providing child support.

The Illinois Supreme Court has previously held that parental responsibility may be imposed on an unmarried father or mother who gave consent to artifi-

cial insemination. "To hold otherwise," the court stated, "(would) deny a child his or her right to the physical, mental and emotional support of two parents."

The case still could be appealed. In general, legal issues are evolving over same-sex parenting rights for births that occurred before the U.S. Supreme Court legalized same-sex marriage, said Taylor, who

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Girl, 4, wounded in Gresham shooting

A 4-year-old girl sitting on a front porch with her parents was wounded in a drive-by shooting Tuesday evening in the Gresham neighborhood on the South Side, police said.

The girl was in the 1000 block of West 88th Street about 7:40 p.m. when she was shot in the shoulder, according to a police media notification.

The girl was taken to Little Company of Mary Hospital in Evergreen Park, where her condition

was stabilized, police said. She was being transferred to Stroger Hospital, police said.

The girl was on a porch with her parents when a sedan pulled up and someone inside started shooting at those gathered there, hitting the girl, police said.

The girl's mother scooped her up just after she was shot, put her in a car and drove her to the hospital, neighbors said.

An official outside Little

Company of Mary said the girl was talking.

Detectives were "making good progress at this early stage" of their investigation, Anthony Guglielmi, a police spokesman, said in a tweet.

A person at the girl's home who has "a history with (police) ... may possibly have been the intended target of the shooting," Guglielmi said.

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Man found guilty in 2009 sex assault

Ex-salon owner facing additional assault charges

By MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

A man who has been accused by Cook County prosecutors of being a serial rapist was convicted Tuesday of sexually assaulting a former employee of his West Loop tanning salon in 2009.

As it turned out, Marc Winner's own testimony proved to be crucial to Judge Carol Howard's decision.

Winner contended that the sex between the two was consensual, but the judge ruled that Winner had "some form of sexual contact" with the victim, identified in court as J.B., without her consent.

Howard then found him guilty of one of two counts of criminal sexual assault, citing Winner's testimony that he rubbed his genitals on J.B.'s. That act qualified as a sexual assault under Illinois law, Howard said.

The judge also convicted him of one count of criminal sexual abuse, not the aggravated count he faced, explaining the decision by saying Winner did not



Marc Winner, at the Leighton Criminal Court Building on Tuesday, was convicted of sexual assault and sex abuse.

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force J.B. into his apartment as prosecutors alleged.

Winner, 47, sat red-faced at the defense table, occasionally wiping away tears, as Howard explained her view of the evidence.

While cocaine and alcohol use likely skewed both Winner's and the victim's perception of events, Howard ruled, the woman did not consent to sex.

His accuser smiled broadly from the front row of the courtroom gallery as Howard announced her decision.

Later, J.B. gave permission to reporters to use her full name, identifying herself as Justine Bour.

"This is the biggest burden off my shoulders I could ever describe," said a visibly elated Bour, 32.

She had a message for others who have experienced sexual violence: Don't lose faith.

"I hope you can hear my story and maintain hope," she said. "Despite the passage of time, despite obstacles, despite what seems like the end of the road. Don't give up. Persevere," she said.

Howard ordered Winner, who had been free on bond, taken into custody. At sentencing, he faces four to 15 years in prison on the criminal sexual assault charge, a spokesman for

the state's attorney's office said.

Winner still faces charges he sexually assaulted three other women.

During the six-day bench trial, prosecutors put on testimony from yet another woman who alleged Winner also sexually assaulted her.

"He isn't the kind of guy who takes no for an answer," Assistant State's Attorney Mikki Miller said Friday in closing arguments. "He isn't the kind of guy who thinks he'll ever get caught or he'll ever be found guilty."

J.B. testified last week that Winner trapped her in his tanning salon in Chicago's West Loop, forced her back to his apartment across the street and sexually assaulted her twice.

"I was bawling and begging him to stop," she said.

When Winner went to the bathroom, J.B. ran out of his apartment barefoot to a nearby Dominick's store and called for help. She said Winner followed her out into the street and asked where she was going.

When the police arrived moments later, she jumped into their squad car and immediately told them: "I have been raped," prosecutors told the judge.

Winner's attorney, Steven Weinberg, contended the encounter was consensual and that the case was about "perception (and) the complicated nature of the relationship between men and women and what they do to find romance."

Weinberg declined to comment after Winner's conviction.

In an effort to demonstrate a pattern of behavior, prosecutors called S.M. to the stand at trial to recount her accusations that Winner had raped her in 2012 — "an eerily similar nightmare" to J.B.'s, they said.

In pretrial court filings, prosecutors portrayed Winner as a serial rapist, preying on women he met in bars or at his salon. Seven women besides J.B. have accused him of sexual assault, prosecutors have said. Two others said he physically attacked them in other ways.

In J.B.'s case, Winner had initially been charged with two counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault that were reduced to criminal sexual assault shortly before trial, records show.

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Earrious Moore was arrested Thursday after an alleged crime spree.

Suspect in carjackings facing up to 25 years

Man's lawyer says she may ask for psych evaluation

By JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

A Chicago man facing up to 25 years behind bars on federal charges stemming from an attempted carjacking on the city's Near North Side may have mental health issues, his lawyer said Tuesday in court.

Earrious Moore, 23, was arrested in the lobby of a high-rise Gold Coast building Thursday after an alleged crime spree that began with the shooting of his brother on the West Side, according to police and court records.

Over the next two hours, Chicago police say Moore wounded two other people, committed four carjackings at gunpoint — including against an undercover Chicago police officer — and tried to pull off two more before he was caught.

During his initial court appearance Tuesday, Moore spoke so softly that U.S. Magistrate Judge Sidney Schenker had to ask him several times to repeat himself. When the judge asked him if he understood that the carjacking charge carried up to a 25-year sentence, Moore, dressed in an orange jail jumpsuit, whispered, "Yes."

His lawyer, Lisa Wood, told the judge she had "pretty serious concerns" about Moore's mental health and that she may ask for a psychiatric evaluation before his next court appearance. Moore was ordered held in custody pending a preliminary hearing and possibly a detention hearing on May 24.

After the brief hearing, relatives called out "We love you!" from the courtroom gallery, with one woman telling Moore, "Keep your head up."

According to Chicago police, after Moore shot and wounded his brother at their home on West Adams Street on Thursday afternoon, he carjacked a red Jeep a few blocks away in the 5200 block of West Jackson Boulevard and sped off.

Around 5:15 p.m. he stopped about 6 miles away, in the 1100 block of North Milwaukee Avenue, and carjacked a silver Jaguar at gunpoint. Five minutes later, the suspect crashed the Jaguar in the 500 block of West Chicago Avenue in the Near North neighborhood. He then carjacked the undercover officer in her SUV, a black Ford Escape, in the 800 block of North Hudson Avenue, authorities said.

After ditching the Ford in the Gold Coast neighborhood, Moore allegedly approached the driver of a black Nissan Altima and tried to steal the car but ended up shooting the 37-year-old man in the shoulder and running away, according to police. The suspect then ran to the 1000 block of North Rush Street and carjacked a black Jeep at gunpoint.

The federal charges allege Moore drove the Jeep a few blocks to the inner portion of the 1400 block of North Lake Shore Drive in the Gold Coast. There he tried to carjack an 84-year-old man who was in a black Mercedes, but the man resisted and was shot in the shoulder, the charges say.

Chicago police arrested Moore after he ran into the lobby of a high-rise condominium building on Lake Shore Drive. He was found with a .40-caliber semi-automatic Smith & Wesson pistol, according to the charges.

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Officials: City IDs drawing hundreds

Program aimed at immigrants and other Chicagoans

By ELVIA MALAGON
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Some 500 Chicago residents snapped up the new municipal ID cards on the first day the so-called CityKey cards were available, officials said.

The identification cards, for people in the country illegally and other Chicagoans, have been seen as a countermove against President Donald Trump's restrictive immigration stance.

"We are really excited. There's clearly a big demand," said Kate LeFurgy, spokeswoman for the city clerk's office, which is handling applications and processing the IDs.

The city launched the program Monday at Kennedy-King College in Englewood and about 500 applications were processed. On Tuesday, City Hall was busy handling a fresh round of applicants, though numbers weren't available.

Linda Minor, 65, of Back of the Yards, traveled to City Hall on Tuesday to apply for a card, hoping to take advantage of the discounts given to cardholders. Some of those benefits include discounts at restaurants, museums and sporting events.

"If you're a senior like me, you can get benefits," Minor said. "If you can get the benefits, get them, and it helps out in the long run."

Lincoln Park resident Val Ozols was among a handful of people who sat outside of the clerk's office Tuesday. He was in the Loop when he decided to



Jannie Lung has her photo taken Tuesday at City Hall as part of the process for receiving a CityKey identification card.



Chicago's new municipal ID card can be used as a Ventra and library card. It provides other benefits like discounts.

pop into the office to see if he could get in, and lucked out.

The program caught his attention because the ID can be used as a library card and a Ventra card.

The city clerk's office, which is handling all the IDs, will be processing applications Wednesday at the 18th Ward office at 8359 S. Pulaski Road, and the cards will be available at other city neighborhood spots. Residents can make

live in the city.

The applicant has the option of providing an emergency contact, whether he or she wants to be an organ donor and other medical information such as allergies. A city clerk staffer reviews the documents and application and, if approved, the card is printed right away, said LeFurgy, who noted that the entire process takes about 15 minutes.

The CityKey program provides immigrants living in the country without legal permission a valid form of identification. Mayor Rahm Emanuel has been pushing for the program since 2016, and as he heads into re-election season, the move is seen as a way to reach out to Hispanic voters.

The measure was passed by the City Council in 2017, but the program has met resistance from some African-American council members and white aldermen. Critics say the program is not a proper use of

city funds while others question why the city wants to help immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally.

It also has stirred controversy, as some are concerned that ineligible voters could use the municipal IDs to not only register but also to vote.

But the city is offering perks to possibly entice a larger pool of residents. Cardholders are eligible for discounts at Chicago Sky games and at some performances at the Joffrey Ballet and a free one-day admission to the Field Museum.

The city is giving out the first 100,000 cards for free, but after that adults will pay \$10 and children will pay \$5. Senior citizens won't have to pay for the cards, and certain groups such as veterans and low-income residents could get a fee waiver.

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Vet home plagued by Legionnaires' should be rebuilt, report says

By BILL LUKITSCH
Chicago Tribune

SPRINGFIELD — The state-run veterans home in downstate Quincy where 13 residents have died following repeated outbreaks of Legionnaires' disease should be rebuilt, according to a report released late Tuesday by a task force convened by Gov. Bruce Rauner.

Building a new facility will cost \$202 million to \$245 million and require the approval of lawmakers, the report said. The group suggests buying a vacant nursing facility nearby to house residents during construction, as well as finding an alternative

source of water for the campus that sits near the Mississippi River.

The recommendations come amid continued questions about the Rauner administration's response to outbreaks of the waterborne bacteria. They began in 2015 but have persisted despite a \$6 million overhaul of the home's water filtration system.

"Legislators from both sides of the aisle have promised to put financial support behind our efforts to rebuild this home and take care of the veterans who have served our country," Rauner said in a statement. "Our number one goal is to protect our heroes. We've already taken significant steps

to reduce the risks of Legionella at the home and we look forward to working with the General Assembly to put stronger protections in place."

To make the plan a reality, the group wants lawmakers to approve legislation to allow access to federal money and expedite the project, as well as a long-held desire of the governor's to loosen restrictions on the way the state contracts with businesses.

Rauner appointed the task force after visiting the home in January, when he declared his goal was "zero instances of Legionella infection" even as the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warned

that the disease might be present in the facility's water pipes and might never be eradicated.

While the task force said additional steps taken to prevent infection — such as installing specialized filters on faucets — have dramatically reduced the number of tests where Legionella bacteria has been detected, "anything less than complete reconstruction will fall short."

The group estimates it would take four to five years to build a new veterans facility, which would house 250 to 300 veterans in a more modern setting.

Also on the table is building a new underground water system to serve exist-

ing buildings and those that would be built. The goal is to find an alternative water source besides the nearby river where bacteria can thrive, such as an aquifer.

While Rauner has repeatedly defended his administration's handling of the outbreaks, the issue has become a serious political liability for the governor as he seeks a second term.

Lawmakers in both parties have questioned whether the administration alerted families about the disease in a timely manner. They also accused the governor of failing to do enough to address the problem.

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Another round of 'dirty rain' coming?

Dry conditions, wind contribute to tricky weather

BY TED GREGORY

Chicago Tribune

Inside her freshly washed Volkswagen bug convertible, Melanie Douglas rolled forward, dropped the top, then recalled that rain is in the forecast.

And not just any rain. On Friday, high winds and dry conditions helped produce a "dirty rain," which presented itself on cars, SUVs and trucks across the Chicago region as a film of dust on the exterior.

Conditions are about the same now. Strong winds, low humidity and warm weather led to a National Weather Service alert of "critical fire weather conditions," also known as a red flag warning, on Tuesday, and played a role in multiple fires near railroad tracks in Alsip.

Weather conditions were also cited as factors in the buckling of a section of Route 41 near Highland Park that caused lane closures and traffic backups Tuesday evening.

Now rain is in the Chicago-area forecast for Wednesday and Thursday nights.

"That means my car is going straight in the garage," Douglas, of Chicago, said at Car Wash 954 in Elmhurst, "and my husband's will be outside and he'll have to pay for the next car wash."

Some distinct differences exist, however, between Friday's conditions and what is predicted over the next couple of days.

First, the Chicago area is expecting heavier rain — 1 to almost 2.5 inches — from Wednesday night to Friday morning. That amount,



Porfirio Martinez works on a vehicle at the Auto Spa Hand Car Wash in Niles on Tuesday.

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meteorologists say, would wash away dust from cars. Friday's rain totaled about a half-inch.

"It was so light that it kind of left a residue," weather service meteorologist Ricky Castro said. "Usually when it rains, it's heavy enough to wash dust away."

Second, wind speeds are much lower this week, and a greater time will have passed between high winds and the start of rains. When winds of 40 mph swept across the Dakotas, Iowa, Minnesota and Illinois last week, they gathered a great deal of dirt, said WGN chief meteorologist Tom Skilling.

This week, wind speeds are registering in the range of 20 to 30 mph, according to the weather service.

In addition, Castro said, rain has fallen in eastern Iowa, which settled dust and should reduce the amount winds pick up as they flow across farmlands in Illinois. And, Skilling said, humidity is rising in the Chicago region.

Another factor that contributed to Friday's "dirty rain" was April's cold, wet weather, Skilling said.

Those conditions delayed farmers getting into fields for planting, he said. When the weather did clear last week, a higher-than-normal number of farmers got to work, adding to the dust-up, he said.

Miguel Gonzalez, manager at Auto Spa Hand Car Wash in Niles, noticed the impact of the "dirty rain" on his business Saturday and Sunday.

The line of customers trailed all the way onto Touhy Avenue, he said, and the wait reached an hour from the line to a completed wash, Gonzalez added.

He said he was hoping the rain predicted for Wednesday and Thursday would be steady.

"We are looking for some rain to give a break to our guys, laborwise," Gonzalez said. "We've been really busy for two weeks. This would give us a good break, and we'll get back to it on Friday and Saturday."

In the Midwest, "dirty rain" is "not an uncommon phenomenon this year," Skilling said, adding, "there's no reason it couldn't happen again."

The weather service issued its red flag warning shortly after 3 p.m. Tuesday for a large portion of northern and central Illinois and northwest Indiana.

The combination of strong winds, very low relative humidity, exceptionally dry fuels and warm temperatures will promote extremely dangerous behavior of any fires," the weather service stated. "Any outdoor burning is strongly discouraged."

Back at the Elmhurst car wash, Douglas said she was going to enjoy the sunshine — and absence of "dirty rain" — while it lasted.

"If the car was dirty," she said, "it wouldn't be as cute."

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Youth baseball coach, players penalized after report of slurs

BY ELYSSA CHERNEY

Chicago Tribune

A Southwest Side youth baseball league has disciplined a coach and several players amid reports that racist comments were directed at Latino team at a game Sunday, according to a parent and officials.

"In accordance with the league's Code of Conduct, officials from Kennedy Park Little League have moved to discipline several players and a coach who were involved in separate incidents. ... Although the organization disagrees with some of the allegations reported, the behaviors that were confirmed do not uphold the values of our league," Kennedy Park Little League said in a statement issued Tuesday.

The league, in the city's Morgan Park community, called the incidents isolated but would not elaborate on what behavior led to disciplinary action or what the punishment entails.

"Players, parents, and coaches will gather to discuss this situation and drive home the expectations of proper decorum," the statement said.

The action follows a blog post from parent Ray Salazar, who wrote that his 12-year-old son, who is part of the West Lawn Southwest Pride, played the 11U Kennedy Park Cobras team when the remarks arose.

Salazar wrote that his son told him about the comments, and "I believe him."

"When my son and his team came back to the dugout, they were jumping with emotion. They called us 'taco boys!' They said, 'Andale, andale boys!'" Salazar wrote.

Later, once the game got underway, the Kennedy Park Cobras coach cursed when West Lawn players laughed because a Cobras player was hit by a pitch, Salazar wrote.

The West Lawn players giggled because the player who was hit used an ex-

pletive, Salazar wrote. But the coach thought the kids were laughing that his player was hurt, Salazar wrote.

The league would not identify the coach.

In a recent story on the allegations, Salazar told the Chicago Sun-Times that his son's team is made up of Latino youths.

The incident also has ignited discussion about the treatment of Latinos and African-Americans in the community.

A neighborhood group, the Southwest Chicago Diversity Collaborative, said its community failed to create a welcoming environment.

"We all know this is not the first incident of this nature reported in our community," the statement said. "It is our responsibility to visibly and audibly object to these incidents when they occur — whether in our bars and restaurants, on our neighborhood sidewalks or in our parks."

For its part, the league said in its statement that it is trying to "move forward" from Sunday's incident.

Juan Delgadillo, the West Lawn coach, said he heard comments about "taco boys" but didn't realize those comments were coming from the other team until he heard it from his players.

"I never really thought I'd be hearing this from 11-year-olds," he said.

The comments were made when the Kennedy Park team was running a lap around the field while the West Lawn players were in the center of the diamond practicing hitting and catching, Delgadillo said.

Players including his twin sons came over to report that the other team was saying, "Andale, andale. Get the balls, taco boys!"

Some of his players looked upset, so Delgadillo, 39, encouraged them to use the hurtful words as motivation to play their best baseball. It paid off, and they won the competitive game 10-7, he said.

Delgadillo said the Kennedy Park league has not reached out to him to offer an apology. The West Lawn parents want to know what disciplinary action was taken, he said.

One of the coaches at the game, however, did say he was sorry and asked which players were involved.

"All I want to do out of this is grow awareness," he said. "I don't want them to never be able to play baseball again. ... But the racial slurs need to end."

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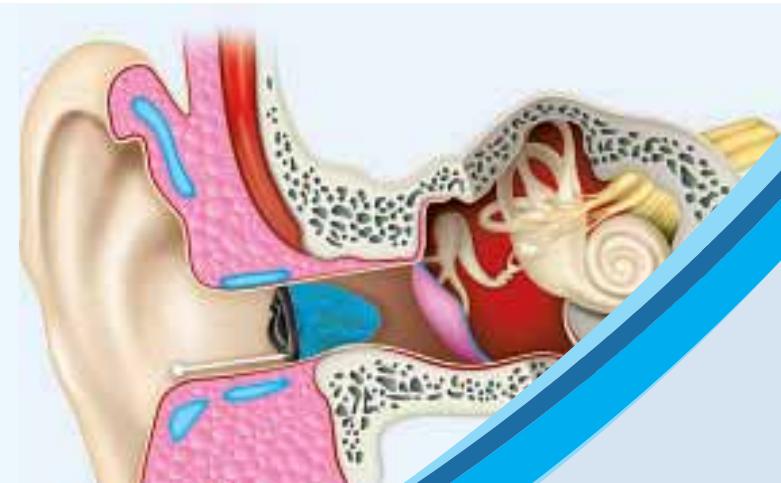
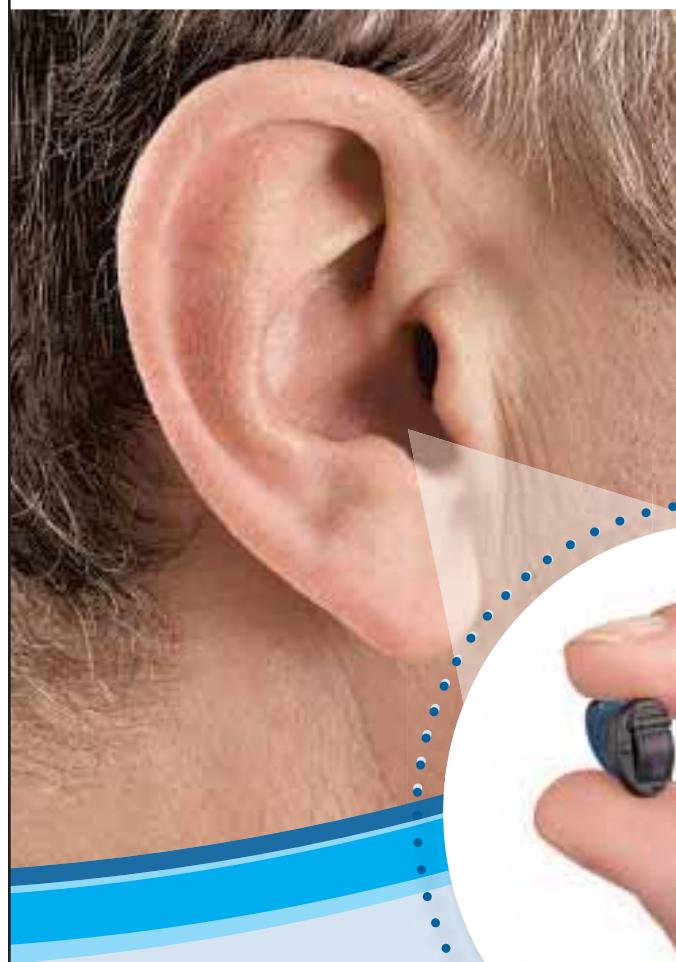
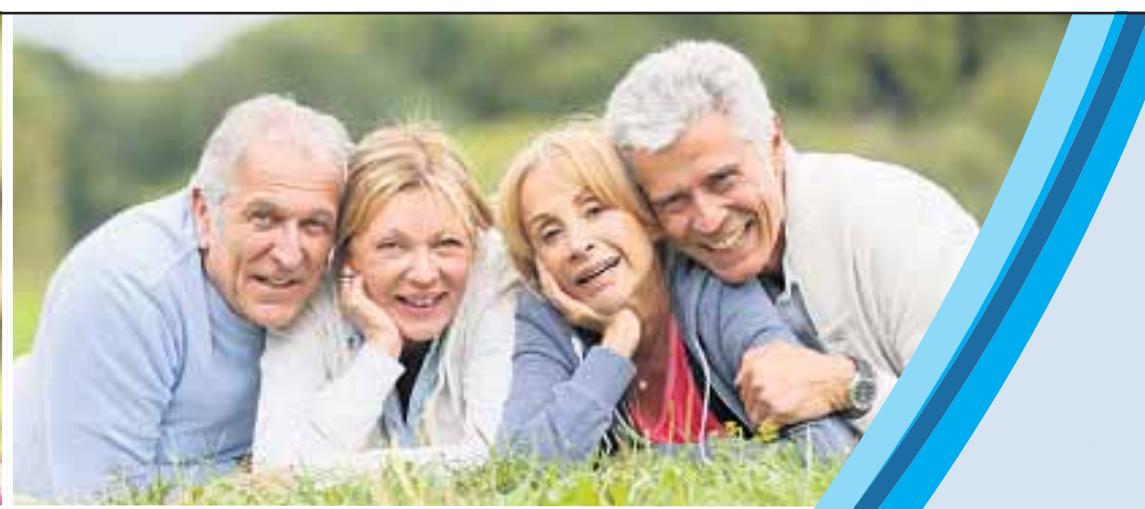
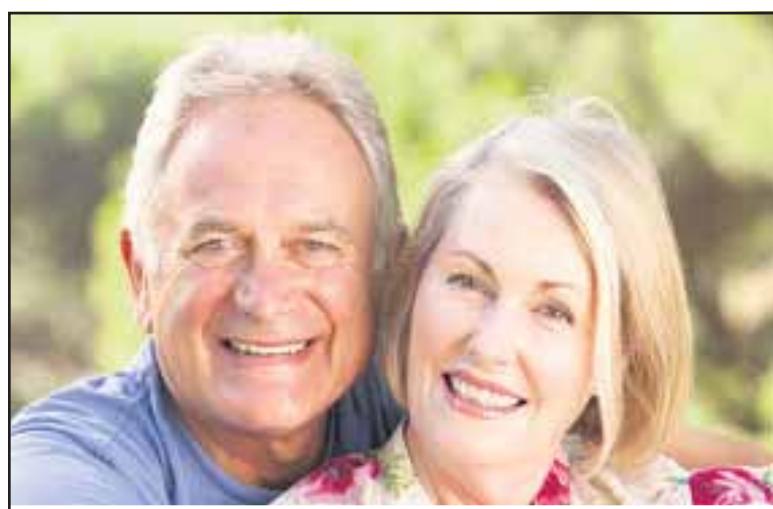
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CPS 'personalized learning' gets a \$14M 'like'

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losing kids that are a bit behind, and disengaging kids who are showing competence but aren't able to move on because the rest of their class isn't there yet."

Teachers go through an 18-month professional development program to learn personalized learning techniques, Lockett said.

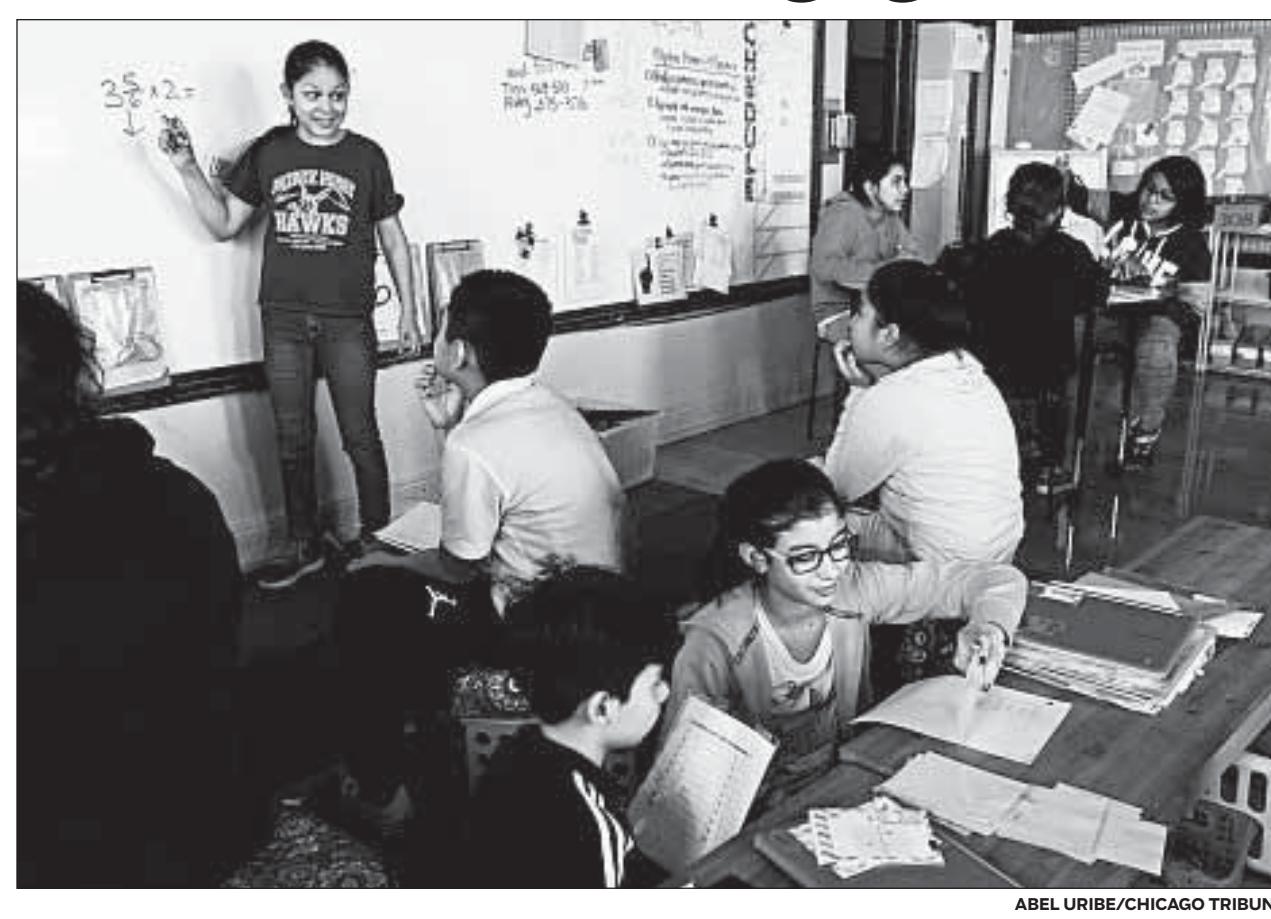
"When you think about your average CPS classroom," Lockett said, "you've got one teacher, 25 to 30 students and four levels of proficiency within that classroom — maybe more. We've been asking teachers to satisfy every single student's needs every single day, and that's impossible."

Instead of desks, students in personalized learning classrooms use "flexible seating" (beanbags, small couches, communal benches), or forgo seats altogether in favor of a rug to sprawl out upon.

Instead of lecturing in front of the classroom, personalized learning teachers sit with one student at a time while the rest of the kids collaborate in small groups. Some students use laptops. Others use whiteboards. Others opt for traditional pencils and paper.

Personalized learning looks a little different in each classroom, but the CPS Department of Personalized Learning spells out a system by which teachers meet one-on-one with each student to create a continually updating file of that student's individual strengths, challenges, goals and, perhaps trickiest of all, learning style.

"The research is clear that when you individualize learning for students, it accelerates student growth and mastery," said Janice Jackson, CEO of Chicago Public Schools. "I'm really excited to see that happen in schools that have already been incorporating personalized learning, and in the schools that



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Patrick Henry Elementary fifth-grader Diareli Osorio, at whiteboard, helps some classmates with math while others cluster elsewhere under the personalized learning program, which lets kids learn in ways and paces that work best for them.

will now have that opportunity because of this generous gift."

Schools that want a piece of the new \$14 million grant can start applying in the fall, Lockett said, and personalized learning training will begin in early 2019.

Jackson said schools in underserved communities will likely be prioritized.

"Our goal is to not only expand personalized learning throughout the city in schools that are ready to take on that challenge, but also to make sure children in all parts of the city have access to the program," Jackson said. "We didn't want it to just go to the top-performing schools."

Schools that already incorporate personalized learning into their curricula span the city, from Ashburn Community Elementary and Wendell Smith Elementary on the Far South Side to Frederick Funston Elementary School on the

Near West Side to Patrick Henry in Chicago's Albany Park neighborhood.

At Patrick Henry, Rios said she works with her students to determine whether they're more visual learners or hands-on learners and whether they respond better to a peer or a teacher instructing them. She assigns each student a mentor within the school building — usually an administrator or another teacher — to meet for 10 minutes each week to discuss progress and goals.

"My first few years teaching I was just given a curriculum and I followed it," said Rios, who's been teaching nine years. "Now I have a better sense of whether or not a child is understanding what's being taught and I'm able to cater to them."

It's more work, she said, but it's more rewarding.

"It's actually incredible," she said. "It took a lot to build up that trust with my

kids where I do trust them to go off in a corner with a friend and work through a formula. But it works because they're getting the work done. And I think it stays with them longer as opposed to me just saying, 'Here's how you do this.'

The million-dollar question — or \$14 million question, as it were — is whether personalized learning works.

A recently released LEAP Innovations report found that students who received personalized learning instruction in reading gained 13 percentile points on the national NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment compared with students who didn't receive personalized learning instruction. Students who received personalized learning instruction in math didn't score significantly higher than a control group of students who didn't receive personalized

learning.

But Jackson said it's too early to judge the long-term effectiveness of the approach.

"This is an emerging field," she said.

The \$14 million grant, Jackson said, will spur more research.

"We feel strongly that as we roll this out, because of the investment, we'll need to do an internal analysis on students in the program compared to students outside the program," she said. "The district is in the process of getting that proposal out to some of our university partners and seeing who's going to be able to do that research for us."

Meanwhile, the personalized learning purveyors are optimistic.

"I grew up in the city," Juan Gutierrez, principal of Patrick Henry, told me. "I'm a product of Chicago Public Schools. I remember being in a traditional classroom where I just sat and

took whatever they taught me. I wasn't empowered to lead any of my learning. And I feel like we're doing students an injustice if we don't create an environment where we're doing everything we can to value their differences and really support them in the areas they're good at and also the areas where they need to grow."

Particularly, Lockett said, when the world that today's students will inhabit and inherit is changing so rapidly.

"When you line up the future workforce needs and the kinds of skills these young people will need to demonstrate — the growth mindset, the resiliency, the problem-solving skills, the collaboration skills, the leadership skills — we've got to round out how we're serving the whole child," she said. "This is helping round out those skill sets without a cost toward rigor. This is rigorous."

Even if it doesn't look like the quiet, uniform rigor to which many of us are accustomed.

My time observing the kids at Patrick Henry was, by no means, an exhaustive study in personalized learning. But I left there feeling like I witnessed a glimpse of what can happen when students are trusted with a little more autonomy than they're used to, a little more freedom to figure out who they are and a little less judgment when they don't fit neatly into a mold.

It was refreshing. I'm eager to see where the Zuckerberg-Chan money lands and whether it can transform the way a few hundred children learn.

I like what Lockett told me on our way out of the school.

"One of the principals in our portfolio reminded me that we forgot that kids will rise up to the level of expectation we set for them," she said. "We just need to raise the bar."

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Other Cinco de Mayo celebrations are planned in the area, but few have been around as long as the Little Village parade. One supporter called its cancellation "a major loss."

Cinco de Mayo events canceled

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"We're not the organizers of this event. We're simply a resource to make sure people are safe."

Escobar said he didn't have any issues with the city's official permit process: He applied for parade and festival permits in December and received preliminary approval. He said he decided to cancel last week solely because of difficulties the chamber has faced with Cardenas' office supporting conflicting events and parades.

"The conflict we have is with the alderman," Escobar said. "It's hard because (the community) expected this cultural event. But we can't do this with the alderman against it. It's the first event of the summer. People were excited to see the horses, to see the Mexican dresses, to have the Mexican food. It's going to be hard. But hopefully next year things change."

Escobar said refunds had been given to all vendors for money they put toward the event.

Mike Gonzalez, a 60-year-old Orland Park resident who previously lived in Little Village, said the

cancellation is a major loss to the community, both economically and culturally.

"It's always been the kick-start of the summer," Gonzalez said. "The local businesses always count on it to bring in customers to their doors."

Gonzalez owns buildings in the area and said he has been coming to the parade for decades. He's also sponsored a soccer team in the festival's tournament for about 10 years.

"People always look forward to coming to the parade and participating in the events and the festival," he added. "It's a tradition that's been disrupted. This is not right. This is part of the community. It belongs to the community, not the politicians."

There are other Cinco de Mayo events happening throughout the Chicago area, although few have been around as long as the parade in Little Village.

Jose Aldaco, one of the organizers of the Viva

Cinco de Mayo festival in Bridgeview, said he was shocked when he heard news of the cancellation.

"That's very sad. A lot of people in the community look forward to that," Al-

daco said. "People come from all over the city to that event. ... Of course, (the Little Village parade is) more established. They have a lot of years behind them, and we don't consider it a competition. But if people are looking for something else, they're more than welcome to come to our festival."

A spokeswoman for the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events said the department was notified Friday that the Little Village parade's organizer was canceling the event.

In a follow-up conversation, Cardenas said he wasn't sure about the status of Escobar's permit but said his ward superintendent had been instructed by the city to show up Sunday.

He did not respond to further calls seeking clarification.

The proposed parade route crosses through the wards of three other aldermen: Danny Solis, 25th; Michael Scott, 24th; and Jason Ervin, 28th. None of them was immediately available for comment Tuesday.

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Foxconn gets big break on smog

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the last-minute changes in a news release that quoted Pruitt as saying he was "following the data and the law." But the areas removed from the list were suggested by Republican elected officials who have sought to curb the EPA's authority to force industries to clean up the air.

"We are working with the EPA to implement a plan that continues to look out for the best interest of Wisconsin," Walker, a 2016 Republican presidential candidate, said Tuesday in a Twitter post. "We continue to search for ways to balance between environmental stewardship and a positive, pro-jobs business environment."

Walker blames Chicago

for making the air unhealthy to breathe in parts of Wisconsin. However, an EPA staff analysis of industrial pollution, traffic patterns and weather patterns concluded Wisconsin is at least partially responsible for its own smog problems, and documents filed with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources show

Foxconn would be a major new source of smog-forming

pollution.

Smog, also known as

ground-level ozone, is formed by a reaction between sunlight and pollution from car tailpipes, power plants and factories, fumes from volatile solvents and gasoline vapors.

After a scientific review required every five years by the federal Clean Air Act,

the Obama EPA tightened the national smog standard

in 2015 to 70 parts per billion, down from the 75 ppb limit set during the Bush administration.

Average smog concentrations in all of the Wisconsin areas initially targeted by the EPA exceeded

the new federal limit during the past three years,

according to state monitoring data.

Smog levels peaked at 83 ppb last year in

Racine County and averaged 75 ppb between 2015

and 2017.

If Pruitt had followed

the EPA staff report, Foxconn and other industrial sources of smog-forming

pollution in Racine County

would have been required

to install more effective

pollution-control equipment,

scale back production

or broker costly emissions-trading agreements

with cleaner facilities.

Environmental groups

and a union representing

EPA employees predicted

Pruitt's action won't sur-

vive a court challenge. The

smog standards likely will

remain in legal limbo past

the November elections.

"This is another ridiculous attempt by Scott Pruitt and the Trump administration to violate the law," said John Walke, a former EPA attorney who leads the clean air program at the nonprofit Natural Re-

sources Defense Council.

"We are looking forward to

seeing them in court again."

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"They will have to

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cause of Pruitt's gift to the

governor."

Soon after he joined the

Trump administration,

Pruitt moved to delay the

smog standards from tak-

ing effect for at least a year,

then backtracked under

legal pressure from Illino-

is and Indiana

did not return mes-

sages seeking comment.

Pruitt has said a top

priority of his is delegat-

ing more authority to states to

enforce environmental

laws, though one reason

the EPA was created in

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Weather may be factor in motorcycle death numbers

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI
Chicago Tribune

Weather may be a primary reason why motorcyclist deaths were down nationally in 2017, but up in Illinois, according to a highway safety group.

The Governors Highway Safety Association, a non-profit representing state highway safety offices, said in a report Wednesday that the 5.6 percent drop in motorcycle deaths nationally may be tied to last year's strong hurricane season, which kept riders off the roads in the Southern states of Florida and Texas.

Illinois, on the other hand, saw a milder than normal February, April, September and October in 2017, according to the National Weather Service. Motorcycle deaths have risen in Illinois in each of the last three years, from 119 in 2014 — the year the state suffered the unusually long and cold "polar vortex" winter — to 146 in 2015, 154 in 2016 and 162 in 2017, according to the state's Department of Transportation.

"When we see a longer riding season because of a milder winter, we see increases," said Tara Casanova Powell, an independent researcher who prepared the state highway safety group's report, which used preliminary state-reported data from 2017. "When we see harsh conditions, like the hurricanes Texas and Florida sustained, we can see some decreases too. Weather is a big contributing factor."

Powell said the economy is another big factor in motorcycle crash numbers — good economic conditions and low gas prices mean more people ride.

While the safety association is "cautiously optimistic" about the projected 2017 decrease, Powell said that more work needs to be done on promoting motorcycle safety to sustain a downward trend.

"We can't — and

shouldn't — rely on bad weather to prevent motorcyclist deaths," she said.

Compared with 2016, 18 states saw increases in motorcycle fatalities in 2017. Illinois deaths rose 5.2 percent, and fatalities in neighboring Indiana surged 44 percent, while 30 states saw decreases, the report found.

Indiana had 100 deaths in 2016, the lowest number in recent memory, which helps explain the size of the increase, said William Wingfield, communications director for the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute.

Nationally, motorcyclist deaths have been increasing in the last two decades as a percentage of all motor vehicle fatalities, from about 5.7 percent in 1994 to 14.1 percent in 2016, the report said.

Motorcyclist fatalities occur 28 times more often than passenger vehicle occupant fatalities per mile traveled, the report said. Operating a motorcycle tends to be more hazardous than operating a car because motorcycles lack enclosure and are smaller than other vehicles, making them less visible, the report said.

A variety of factors contribute to crashes, including drinking. A quarter of motorcyclists involved in fatal wrecks in 2016 had a blood alcohol content over the legal limit — the highest percentage of any vehicle type, the report found.

Drug impairment also may be an increasing factor, the report said. A 2017 Insurance Institute for Highway Safety study found that vehicle collision claims in states with legalized recreational marijuana were 3 percent higher than would have been expected without legalization.

Several states also reported an increase in distracted riding fatalities, the report said. Distraction from electronic devices, particularly phones, has been cited by safety organizations as a cause for increased traffic deaths overall.

The National Safety Council, an Itasca-based safety advocacy group, said about 8 percent of motorcycle fatalities in 2016 were related to a distracted operator, though only about 17 percent of those cases were the fault of the motorcyclist as opposed to another driver.

"We need to put the gadgets down and pay attention to driving and we need to show more respect to people on the roads," said J. Ryan Hubbard, state coordinator for the motorcycle rights group ABATE. ABATE stands for A Brotherhood Aimed Towards Education.

Riders over the age of 40 now represent the greatest share of motorcyclist fatalities nationwide, a shift from prior years when more young riders died, the state highway safety report said.

Transportation and safety experts have pointed to a few possible reasons why more older motorcyclists are dying. One factor could be that baby boomers make up a greater part of the population. Another reason could be that some people who stopped riding when they were in their 20s to start families started riding again in their 50s and 60s, not realizing that their skills had eroded, safety experts say.

Illinois, Iowa and New Hampshire are the only three states that have no helmet law for motorcyclists.

The state highway safety report said that helmets reduce severe traumatic brain injury in motorcycle crashes. ABATE opposes a helmet law, favoring instead riders' "freedom to choose," Hubbard said.

ABATE does favor more motorcyclist training, such as the classes provided by the Illinois Department of Transportation. ABATE also tells members never to ride drunk or drugged.

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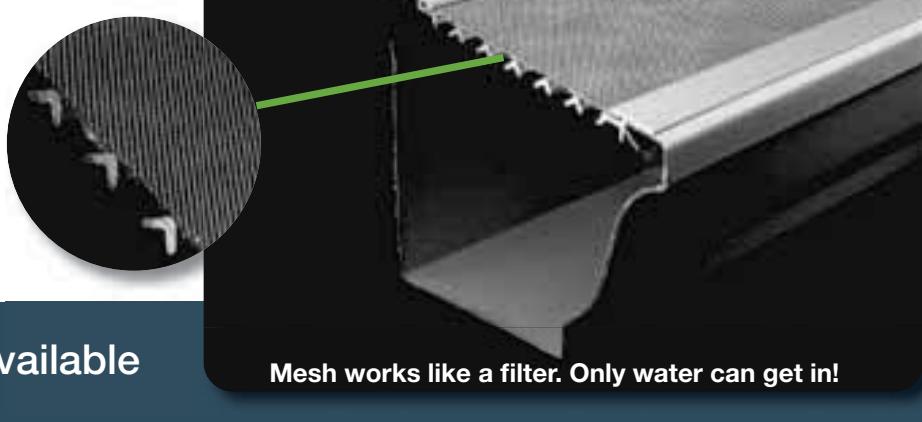
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Pompeo hails staffers on first full day

Secretary of state promises to restore 'swagger' to Dept.

BY TRACY WILKINSON
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Mike Pompeo introduced himself to hundreds of U.S. diplomats and staffers who packed the State Department lobby Tuesday, vowing to return "swagger" to a staff that has been demoralized by budget cuts and unfilled vacancies.

Standing on the stairs of the flag-decked hall, Pompeo repeatedly said he was "humbled" to lead America's diplomatic corps. They "need to be in every corner, every stretch of the world" to represent U.S. interests and carry out foreign policy, he said.

The crowd applauded as the former CIA director praised U.S. Foreign and Civil Service officers as "patriots and great Americans." He added, "You will be the diplomatic face to achieve the outcomes that the United States so desperately needs."

He said President Donald Trump is expected to stop by Wednesday to lead a ceremonial swearing-in of his new secretary of state. It will be Trump's first visit to the State Department in the nearly 16 months since he took office.

Earlier Tuesday, Trump introduced Pompeo during a trophy ceremony for the U.S. Military Academy's football team in the Rose Garden, calling him "a man that has gotten more publicity than me, lately, our new Secretary of State — first in his class at West Point."

Pompeo, 54, gave his brief remarks at the State Department on his first full day of work there. He had rushed off to meetings with allies in Europe and the Middle East hours after he was con-



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Secretary of State Mike Pompeo receives a warm welcome at the department Tuesday. President Trump plans to attend Wednesday's swearing-in.

firmed by the Senate last Thursday, and only returned Monday night.

He avoided any discussion of Trump's foreign policy, or the challenges he faces in an administration that has sparred with traditional allies like Mexico and Germany, and vowed to pull out of international agreements, including the NAFTA trade agreement and the Iran nuclear accord.

His unscripted comments appeared aimed, in part, at distinguishing himself from his unpopular predecessor, Rex Tillerson, who received a similar welcome in the same lobby when he first was confirmed last year.

But Tillerson won few friends with a management

style criticized as heavy-handed and aloof, and Trump fired him in March after they clashed on the Iran deal and other policy issues.

Pompeo pointedly said he would spend little time on the 7th floor, site of the mahogany-paneled suite of offices where Tillerson's critics said he became isolated. Pompeo even joked he wasn't sure of the location of his new office. "I think it's the 7th floor, right?"

Pompeo received applause when he and his wife, Susan, walked into the State Department lobby. Though the mood was upbeat, and some snapped cellphone photos of the scene, several members of

the audience expressed uncertainty.

"We'll see," said one State employee who did not give her name. "We hope now there will be some movement forward."

The new secretary already has shown a willingness to deal with the traditional requirements of the job. A former member of Congress, he is more comfortable with the media than Tillerson, a former CEO of Exxon Mobil, ever was.

Unlike Tillerson, Pompeo took several reporters on his maiden trip abroad and spoke to them several times. He greeted staff and families at U.S. Embassies in most of the countries he visited, another practice

Tillerson initially snubbed.

Pompeo is known to have Trump's trust, which Tillerson struggled to gain.

Deputy Secretary of State John Sullivan pulled out all the stops in his introduction, alluding to Pompeo's Army service and Harvard Law School training to say he would be formidable in any negotiation — a cross between Gen. George Patton, an aggressive leader in World War II, and Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr., a famed Supreme Court justice.

He may need those skills in the weeks ahead.

Trump has overhauled much of his national security team, recently naming John Bolton as his new national security adviser, as

he prepares for a nuclear summit with North Korea's Kim Jong Un.

Pompeo already has helped with the planning, making a secret trip to Pyongyang over Easter weekend, where he spent an hour talking to Kim. Trump has said he anticipates meeting Kim by mid-June although no date or site has been finalized.

Pompeo also must deal with what critics called Tillerson's hollowing out of the State Department. Tillerson let go much of the senior leadership and axed or consolidated programs dealing with human rights, climate change, women's health and other issues.

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How some Ala. sheriffs feed wallets

Law lets them profit by spending less on prisoners' food

BY JAY REEVES
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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — In Alabama, the less sheriffs spend on feeding inmates, the more money they get to put in their pockets.

For decades, sheriffs have made extra money — sometimes hundreds of thousands of dollars — under a Depression-era system by feeding prisoners for only pennies per meal. Critics say the meals can be unhealthy, and a lawsuit against dozens of sheriffs combined with media reports about the practice threaten to end the one-of-a-kind system.

Legislators this year approved potential changes that would prevent sheriffs in two counties from keeping the excess money — including one where a former sheriff was jailed after feeding prisoners corndogs while pocketing more than \$200,000 — and wider change is possible.

"I think everyone agrees that something needs to be done," said Sonny Brasfield, executive director of the Association of County Commissions of Alabama.

Republican Sen. Arthur Orr said he is working on a bill to abolish the practice. "This law is from the 1930s. Times change. It's time we move on into the 21st century," said Orr.

Back when chain gangs were common in the late 1920s, Alabama passed a law that gave sheriffs \$1.75 per prisoner a day from the state for food, and sheriffs got to pocket anything that was left over.

Jails in most of Alabama's 67 counties remain on the system, generations later. Sheriffs also get small payments from the state per jail. Some also receive payments from cities and the federal government for holding prisoners, further boosting income.

Add up all the money and a dash of frugality, like purchasing low-cost grub and accepting donated food, and sheriffs can wind up with large profits from jailhouse kitchens.

Attorney Aaron Littman, who helped sue earlier this year trying to find out how much sheriffs are making off jail food, said lawyers regularly hear complaints about poor living conditions and lousy food in jails.

"It's no way to run government," said Littman, of the Atlanta-based Southern Center for Human Rights. Alabama is the only state with such a setup, he said. Littman questions the legality of sheriffs pocketing the money.

The Southern Center, which advocates for change in the criminal justice system, sued with the non-profit Alabama Appleseed for Law and Justice in January to make 49 sheriffs release information that would show how much they are making off jail food.

Sheriffs have refused, arguing in court that the numbers are personal and private.

Some of the amounts have been revealed. Monroe County Sheriff Tom Tate collected "excess" jail feeding funds of \$110,458 over three years ending in 2016 — a tidy amount for a south

Alabama county with only 22,000 residents and a median family income estimated at \$42,335 annually by the Census Bureau, according to an accounting turned over to a plaintiff's lawyer.

In mid-sized Etowah County, where the jail holds 900 people on average, Sheriff Todd Entrekin recently released tax forms showing he made a profit of \$672,392 from the jail kitchen in 2015 and 2016.

Entrekin made the documents public during a news conference where he denied malnourishing prisoners and denied news reports linking food profits and a beach condominium he and his wife purchased for \$740,000 last year.

"Nobody here is underfed. Nobody here is mistreated. I will say it's not the Ritz, so you won't be treated like a king. You will be treated like someone who has broken the law, which means you won't get your choice about what or when you eat," Entrekin told reporters.

Last year, a federal judge held Morgan County Sheriff

Ana Franklin in contempt and fined her \$1,000 because she took \$160,000 from a jail food account. The judge ruled Franklin's actions violated an agreement reached by former Morgan County Sheriff Greg Bartlett, who was briefly held in his own jail in 2009 after a federal judge held him in contempt for feeding skimpy meals to boost his profit, which Bartlett said was \$212,000 over three years. Bartlett went in with another sheriff to purchase a truckload of corndogs for \$1,000 and fed them to prisoners for weeks, evidence showed.

Franklin argued she wasn't bound by Bartlett's agreement, but a court disagreed.

Sheriffs in Morgan and neighboring Cullman County in coming years would be required to spend any excess food money on police needs under proposed constitutional amendments approved this year by lawmakers, but voters still must OK the measures.

It's unclear how much is at stake since they, like most other sheriffs, haven't publicly released detailed information about their operations.



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A lawsuit threatens Alabama's Depression-era prison-meal system. Critics say the meals can be unhealthy.

Study shows surge in U.S. bug-borne illnesses

BY LENA H. SUN
The Washington Post

The warmer weather of spring and summer means the start of tick and mosquito season and the diseases they transmit, including Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, West Nile and Zika.

A new report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has found that illnesses from mosquito, tick and flea bites more than tripled in the

United States from 2004 to 2016.

The report, released Tuesday, shows that the number of reported cases of these diseases jumped from 27,388 in 2004 to more than 96,000 in 2016. The data include illnesses reported in the U.S. states and territories. During that period, a total of more than 640,000 cases of these diseases were reported to the CDC.

Officials say the actual number of people who have become sick is much higher, because many infections are not reported or recognized. Some patients may experience mild symptoms and not seek medical attention, and not all diseases were reported for the full 13-year analysis period or from all states and territories. The data "substantially underestimate disease occurrence," the report said.

For example, recent data from clinical and laboratory diagnoses estimate that Lyme disease infects about

300,000 Americans every year, which is eight to 10 times more than the number reported in the CDC analysis.

The increase in disease cases caused by the bite of an infected mosquito, tick or flea in the United States is most likely the result of many factors. Mosquitoes and ticks and the germs they spread are increasing in number and moving into new areas. As a result, more people are at risk for infection. Overseas travel and

commerce are also increasingly common, and someone infected with a mosquito-borne disease like Zika in one country can unknowingly transport it home.

Environmental factors, such as rainfall and temperature, also affect the breeding and biting habits of these many different species. Most of the pathogens are transmitted to humans from animals, such as rodents or birds, "making them difficult or impossible



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Ticks transmit illnesses such as Lyme disease.

to eliminate," the report said.

Drugmakers push back on opioid tax

At least 15 states have considered legislation; N.Y. increased manufacturers' license fee

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Associated Press



PATRICK SISON/AP

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Facing a rising death toll from drug overdoses, state lawmakers across the country are testing a strategy to boost treatment for opioid addicts: Force drug manufacturers and their distributors to pay for it.

Bills introduced in at least 15 states would impose taxes or fees on prescription painkillers. Several of the measures have bipartisan support and would funnel millions of dollars toward treatment and prevention programs.

In Montana, state Sen. Roger Webb, a Republican, sees the approach as a way to hold drugmakers accountable for an overdose epidemic that in 2016 claimed 42,000 lives in the U.S., a record.

"You're creating the problem," he said. "You're going to fix it."

Opioids include prescription painkillers such as Vicodin and OxyContin as well as illegal drugs such as heroin and illicit versions of fentanyl. Public health experts say the crisis started because of overprescribing and aggressive marketing of the drugs that began in the 1990s. The death toll has continued to rise even as prescribing has started to drop.

A Pennsylvania opioid tax bill was introduced in 2015 and a federal version was introduced a year later, but most of the proposals arose during the past year. The majority of them have yet to get very far, with



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David Humes is policy director of Attack Addiction in Delaware and the father of an opioid overdose victim.

would mean that cancer patients and those in end-of-life care might not be able to get the prescriptions they need.

The pharmaceutical industry has emphasized that the name-brand drug companies that make up its members already give rebates to states for drugs funded by Medicaid. Those rebates amount to billions of dollars nationwide that states could use to address opioid addiction, the trade group says.

State legislation to tax opioids comes as manufacturers and distributors are defending themselves in hundreds of lawsuits filed by state and local governments seeking damages for the toll the overdose epidemic has taken on communities.

David Humes, whose son died from a heroin overdose in 2012, has been pushing for an opioid tax in Delaware, which did not increase funding for addiction treatment last year as it struggles to balance its budget.

"When you think about the fact that each year more people are dying, if you

leave the money the same, you're not keeping up with this public health crisis," he said.

Humes, a board member of the advocacy group Attack Addiction, supports legislation that would dedicate opioid tax revenue for addiction services.

The lead sponsor of an opioids tax bill, state Sen. Stephanie Hansen, said drug companies told her they already were contributing \$500,000 to anti-addiction measures in Delaware, where there were 282 fatal overdoses from all drugs in 2016, a 40 percent rise from the year before.

"My response is, 'That's wonderful, but we're not stopping there,'" said Hansen, a Democrat.

She said if her tax measure had been in place last year, it would have raised more than \$9 million.

The drug industry's current spending on anti-addiction programs has been a point of contention in the Minnesota Legislature. There, the overdose rate is lower than most states, but opioids still claimed 395 lives in 2016 — an increase of 18 percent over the year

before.

State Rep. Dave Baker, a Republican whose son died of a heroin overdose after getting started on prescription painkillers, said opioid manufacturers and distributors should pay for drug programs separately.

He said the rebate — about \$250 million in 2016 in Minnesota — is intended to make up for overcharging for drugs in the first place.

Another Republican lawmaker, state Sen. Julie Rosen, said she walked out of a meeting last month with drug industry representatives, saying they were wasting her time.

"They know that they're spending way too much money on defending their position instead of being part of the solution," she said.

Representatives of the pharmaceutical industry say they have met with Rosen multiple times and are "committed to continue working with her."

Drug companies have a history of digging in to defeat measures that are intended to combat the opioid crisis. A 2016 investigation by The Associated

Press and the Center for Public Integrity found makers of opioids and their allies spent \$880 million on politics and lobbying from 2006 through 2015.

The industry so far has succeeded in stalling the Minnesota legislation, which would charge opioid manufacturers by the dosage. With the bill facing resistance, Rosen and a Democratic co-sponsor, state Sen. Chris Eaton, said they are considering changing tactics and amending it.

That could include raising the \$235 annual licensing fee on opioid manufacturers or requiring drugmakers and distributors to pay \$20 million a year based on the proportion of opioids they sell in the state. That approach is based on one adopted earlier this spring as part of the budget in New York — the only state to implement an opioid tax so far.

Eaton, whose daughter died from a heroin overdose in 2007, said her goal is to find a way to create and fund a structure that will ensure addiction treatment is "as routine as treating diabetes or cardiac arrest."

1M enrollees sought for DNA health study

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD

Associated Press



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Nurse Stephanie Richurk sorts blood samples from participants in the All of Us research program in Pittsburgh.

studying a massive number of participants: The healthy and not-so-healthy, young and old, rural and urban, blue-collar and white-collar — and people of all races and ethnicities.

For now, participants must be at least 18. Next year, the study will open to minors, too.

While there are other big "biobanks" of genetic data from at least 100,000 people, the NIH project aims to be the largest and most diverse of its kind. At least half of the participants must be from groups traditionally under-represented in medical research, Collins stressed.

Learning results

Unlike with most medical studies, participants can choose to see their own test results and share them with their physician long before the study reaches any big-picture conclusions. A caution: There are still many questions about how best to use the results of genetic tests. Still, "we will try to help their doctors sort through what it means," Collins said.

One result that might bring a quick benefit: Genetic variants can signal who is prone to side effects from more than 100 drugs, information that could be used to prescribe a safer

drug if only their doctors knew, Collins added.

Privacy

The privacy of DNA databases made headlines last week when investigators used a free genealogy website to track down a suspected California serial killer. That's pretty different from the security under which medical DNA must be handled.

NIH said it has taken as many steps as possible to safeguard against would-be hackers. Volunteers' medical data is stripped of identifying information and replaced with a code. Only scientists meeting specific security requirements will be cleared to study the data. NIH also said federal "certificates of confidentiality" prohibit disclosure to law enforcement.

Privacy wasn't a worry for Michelle McNeely, 41, an early participant at Dallas' Baylor Scott & White Health System. She underwent breast cancer treatment in 2016 and considers taking part in All of Us a way to give back.

"If they can use my genes and someone's genes in California and someone's genes in New York to find some common ground, to help discover some cure — they can use my genes all day long," McNeely said.



MARK LENNIHAN/AP

Protesters march Tuesday in front of the New York Stock Exchange in New York. Activists around the country focused on labor issues, U.S. policies and voting issues on May Day.

May Day protesters focus on Nov. elections, Trump

BY DEEPTI HAJELA

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Associated Press

NEW YORK — Immigrants say President Donald Trump's administration has become almost everything they feared, but while they rally across the United States on May Day, their focus is less on huge turnout Tuesday than on the first Tuesday in November.

People marched and held other demonstrations for labor and immigrant rights from New York to California on International Workers' Day, amid similar actions worldwide.

"The Trump administration has made very clear that they've declared war on the immigrant community on all levels," said Javier Valdes, co-executive director of the advocacy group Make the Road New York.

Immigrant rights groups have joined in May Day activities for more than a decade, initially to push back against harsh legislative proposals and later to

clamor for reform and legal status for immigrants in the country illegally who were brought to the U.S. as children or overstayed their visas.

Now, they want to drive turnout in the midterm elections. Advocates hope voters target lawmakers who have pushed for measures that hurt immigrants and replace them with immigrant-friendly policymakers, said Angelica Salas, executive director of the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights in Los Angeles.

"Elections have consequences, and the consequences for our community have been dire, and if we do not change the balance of power, we question our ability to remain free in this country," she said.

Protesters still are taking aim at policy changes under Trump, including a country-specific travel ban, the end of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, high-profile detention and deportation efforts, and proposals

to cut back the overall numbers of people allowed to immigrate permanently.

Trump and his supporters say the enforcement and policy changes are needed for national security and economic benefits.

Some of the new policies have gotten tangled up in court, and Trump hasn't secured funding for his coveted border wall with Mexico.

Meanwhile, in Puerto Rico, teachers, retirees and union workers marched to protest pension cuts, school closures and slow hurricane recovery efforts as anger grows across the U.S. territory over looming austerity measures.

The island's biggest mall, several banks, government agencies and schools closed for the day amid fears over protest violence.

Puerto Rico is trying to restructure some of its \$72 billion public debt load as it struggles to recover from Hurricane Maria. About 30,000 power customers remain in the dark after the storm struck Sept. 20.

Why so many?

Most of today's medical care is based on what happened to the average person in short studies of a few hundred or thousand patients with a specific health condition.

And most people who volunteer for those studies are white, leaving questions about the best care for people of different races.

"One-size-fits-all is far from an optimal strategy," Collins said Tuesday in announcing enrollment for All of Us.

The project involves "precision medicine," using traits that make us unique to forecast and treat disease. Learning enough to individualize care requires

President blasts disclosure as 'disgraceful'

Trump, from Page 1

two people with knowledge of his comments. "You are screwing with the work of the president of the United States."

It's not known if Trump is still open to sitting down for an interview with the special counsel's office, something he previously pledged to do.

Trump last month hired Rudy Giuliani, a longtime political ally and former mayor of New York City, to help negotiate with Mueller. The president also ramped up his criticism of the Russia investigation.

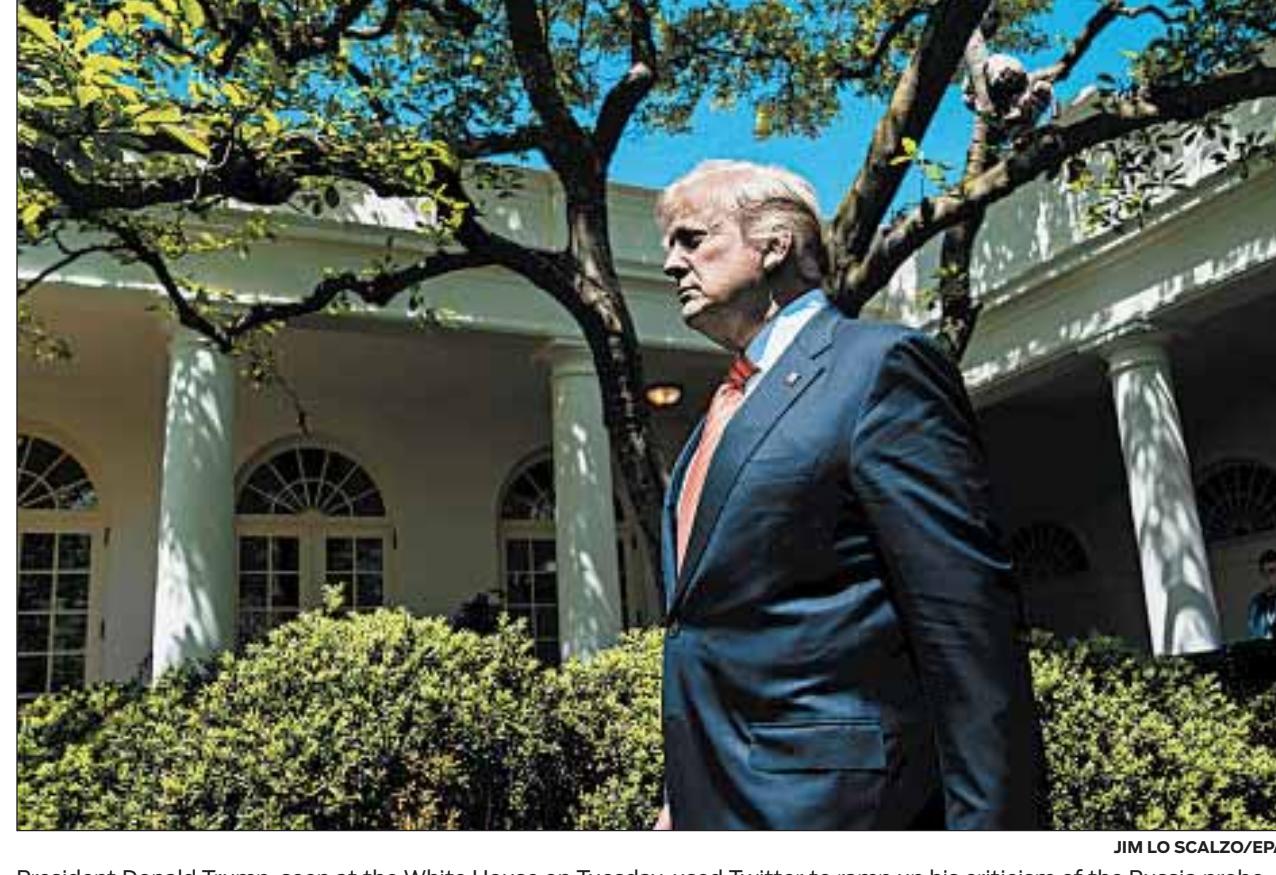
Trump blasted the disclosure of the questions in a tweet Tuesday morning, calling it "so disgraceful."

He added, "you have a made up, phony crime, Collusion, that never existed, and an investigation begun with illegally leaked classified information. Nice!"

Trump also falsely claimed the list contained "no questions on Collusion" even though a number of inquiries probed issues related to connections between Trump or his aides and Russians.

Generally the questions referred to episodes that have been public knowledge for months. The list contained no new allegations of meetings, conversations or contacts.

One question — "When



JIM LO SCALZO/EPA

President Donald Trump, seen at the White House on Tuesday, used Twitter to ramp up his criticism of the Russia probe.

did you become aware of the Trump Tower meeting?" — references the June 2016 gathering that Donald Trump Jr., the president's eldest son, hosted with a Kremlin-linked lawyer who was said to have incriminating info on Hillary Clinton.

Paul Manafort, Trump's former campaign chairman, and Jared Kushner,

Trump's son-in-law and adviser, also attended the meeting, which was revealed last year. Trump Jr. later claimed no incriminating information was provided.

Democrats on the House Intelligence Committee suggested Friday that the president may know more about the meeting than he

has let on. As Trump Jr. was setting up the meeting, he conducted a call with a blocked number, according to phone records.

Another question focuses on the president's unsuccessful attempts to build a hotel complex in Moscow and other potential business dealings there after he visited the Russian capital

in 2013. "What communication did you have with Michael D. Cohen, Felix Sater and others, including foreign nationals, about Russian real estate developments during the campaign?" it asks.

Cohen has said he and Sater, a Russian-born businessman in New York who previously worked

with the Trump Organization, pitched a luxury building in Moscow during the campaign but the idea was abandoned in January 2016.

Prosecutors may have hinted there's more evidence against Manafort, who already is fighting nearly two dozen charges of money laundering, tax evasion and bank fraud in two federal indictments.

"What knowledge did you have of any outreach by your campaign, including by Paul Manafort, to Russia about potential assistance to the campaign?" the question asks.

Manafort is not charged with any crimes related to his work on the Trump campaign although prosecutors have suggested in court filings that he has ties to Russian intelligence. He has denied any such ties or any conspiracy with Russia.

In a court filing Monday, Manafort's lawyers said the special counsel's office has not turned over any "tapes, notes, transcripts or any other material evidencing surveillance or intercepts of communications between Mr. Manafort and Russian intelligence officials, Russian government officials (or any other foreign officials)."

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Rosenstein says Justice Dept. won't give in to GOP 'threats'

Deputy AG chides authors of articles of impeachment

BY ERIC TUCKER

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WASHINGTON — Saying the Justice Department won't be extorted or give in to threats, Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein on Tuesday lashed out at Republican allies of President Donald Trump who have drafted articles of impeachment against him.

Rosenstein, speaking at a question-and-answer session at the Newseum, chided the lawmakers who have prepared the document by saying that "they can't even resist leaking their own drafts" and that they lack "the courage to put their name on it."

"I can tell you there have been people who have been making threats privately and publicly against me for quite some time, and I think they should understand by now, the Department of Justice is not going to be extorted," Rosenstein said, in response to a question about news reports on the articles of impeachment.

"We're going to do what's required by the rule of law," he added. "And any kind of threats that anybody makes are not going to affect the way we do our job."

He did not elaborate on what he meant by threats, but some congressional Republicans have excoriated him for his oversight role of special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into possible ties between the Trump campaign and Russia.

A House Republican memo released in February said Rosenstein approved the renewal of a secret surveillance warrant to monitor the communications of a former Trump campaign associate and that the warrant applica-



MICHAEL REYNOLDS/EPA

Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein presents a copy of the Constitution during a Tuesday event at Newseum.

tion had relied excessively on Democrat-funded opposition research.

Some lawmakers have also criticized Rosenstein and the Justice Department for what they say is a slow response to lawmakers' demands for documents, including about the Hillary Clinton email probe, which ended in 2016 without any charges recommended.

Trump has also repeatedly lambasted Rosenstein and Attorney General Jeff Sessions, whose recusal from the Russia investigation laid the groundwork for the appointment of Mueller.

Rosenstein said that while the Justice Department supports congressional oversight, lawmakers must also understand that their duty is not to interfere with investigations.

"If we were to just open our doors to allow Congress to come and rummage through the files, that would be a serious infringement on the separation of powers," he said. "It might resolve a dispute today, but it would have negative repercussions in the long run, and we have a responsibility to defend the institution."

The Washington Post on Monday reported the articles of impeachment from members of the House Freedom Caucus, a hard-

right group of Republican lawmakers.

A person familiar with the effort but who was not authorized to discuss it publicly confirmed it to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Tuesday.

Republican leaders have not signed on to that effort.

One member of the Freedom Caucus, Rep. Mark Meadows of North Carolina, tweeted after Rosenstein's remarks: "If he believes being asked to do his job is 'extortion,' then Rod Rosenstein should step aside and allow us to find a new Deputy Attorney General—preferably one who is interested in transparency."

Rosenstein repeatedly refused to discuss Mueller's investigation. He deflected one question about whether he believed the Justice Department can indict a sitting president by noting, generally, the existence of a legal opinion that says the commander in chief may not be charged while in office.

"There's been a lot of speculation in the media about this. I just don't have anything more to say about it," he said.

Asked about an FBI raid last month in New York that targeted Trump's personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, Rosenstein said additional safeguards exist when it comes to searching the offices of an attorney.

— and gave no reason for their departures.

Perrotta was expected to appear Wednesday for a transcribed interview by staffers of the House oversight committee, one of the bodies and federal organizations probing reports of excessive spending by Pruitt and other issues at the agency. Committee aides said Perrotta's resignation was not expected to derail his appearance.

EPA spokesman Jahan Wilcox said that the departures were unrelated to the

Israeli PM's Iran claims get cool Europe reception

BY JOSEF FEDERMAN

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's latest accusations about Iran's past nuclear activities received a warm welcome in Washington but a far cooler reception in Europe on Tuesday — deepening divisions among Western allies ahead of President Donald Trump's decision on whether to withdraw from the international nuclear deal later this month.

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said the U.S. would discuss Israel's newest purported evidence with the other global powers that negotiated the 2015 nuclear deal. But Britain said the information reinforced the need to keep the deal in place.

The U.N. nuclear agency said it considered the matter of whether Iran had previously pursued nuclear weapons to be "closed."

Netanyahu has been an outspoken critic of the deal, which offered Iran relief from crippling international sanctions in exchange for curbs on its nuclear program. Netanyahu says the deal will not prevent Iran from reaching a nuclear weapons capability.

After clashing with President Barack Obama when the deal was negotiated, Netanyahu has found a close ally in Trump, who has called the agreement "the worst deal ever."

Trump has signaled he will withdraw from the agreement by May 12 if it is not renegotiated and changed.

Netanyahu's presentation late Monday appeared to be aimed at swaying global opinion ahead of Trump's decision.

He unveiled what he said was a "half ton" of Iranian nuclear documents he said were illicitly seized by Israeli intelligence. Netanyahu said the docu-

Atomic Archive

Secret Nuclear Files

JIM HOLLANDER/EPA

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu unveils what he says are a "half ton" of Iranian nuclear documents Monday.

ments provided evidence that Iran attempted to develop a nuclear bomb in the previous decade, especially before 2003.

Although he gave no explicit evidence that Iran has violated the 2015 deal, he said Iran had clearly lied in the past and could not be trusted. Iran has denied ever pursuing nuclear arms.

Speaking Tuesday on Fox News, Netanyahu said Israel had obtained the documents in February and shared all of the information with the U.S.

Saying the trove of documents showed that Iran is "trying to bamboozle the entire world," Netanyahu expressed hope that Trump would pull out of the deal.

The initial European reaction, however, was cool.

Britain's foreign minister, Boris Johnson, said Netanyahu's presentation "underlines the importance" of keeping the deal, with its tough constraints on Iran, in place.

"The Iran nuclear deal is not based on trust about Iran's intentions; rather it is based on tough verification," he said.

The U.N. nuclear watchdog, the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency, has said Iran in the early 1990s "may have received design information for a nuclear explosive device from a clandestine nuclear supply network." It

says Iran also worked in the 2000s on explosive detonators that "have characteristics relevant to a nuclear explosive device," as well as done other work, though all that appears to have stopped in 2009.

Responding to Netanyahu's speech, the IAEA issued a statement Tuesday reaffirming that "the agency had no credible indications of activities in Iran relevant to the development of a nuclear explosive device after 2009." The IAEA has repeatedly certified that Iran is in compliance with the 2015 deal.

In a "preliminary reaction," EU foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini said Netanyahu had not provided evidence that Iran is violating the current deal and noted its continued compliance.

Iran dismissed Netanyahu's move as a "ridiculous" show but did not address the files he produced.

Israel and Iran are involved in a standoff in Syria, where Iranian troops are supporting President Bashar Assad's forces.

Israel has warned that it will not allow Iran to establish a permanent military presence in Syria, fearing it will use its positions to strike Israel. Israel has been suspected in a pair of airstrikes on Iranian targets in recent weeks, though it has not confirmed involvement, and Iran has threatened revenge.

Pruitt's top aides departing EPA amid ethics investigations

BY ELLEN KNICKMEYER

Associated Press



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EPA chief Scott Pruitt praised both men Tuesday.

Pruitt praised the men — Pasquale "Nino" Perrotta, the security chief, and Albert Kelly, who ran the EPA's Superfund program

— and gave no reason for their departures.

Perrotta was expected to appear Wednesday for a transcribed interview by staffers of the House oversight committee, one of the bodies and federal organizations probing reports of excessive spending by Pruitt and other issues at the agency. Committee aides said Perrotta's resignation was not expected to derail his appearance.

EPA spokesman Jahan Wilcox said that the departures were unrelated to the

ongoing federal investigations and that the agency was cooperating with the congressional probe, led by House oversight chairman Rep. Trey Gowdy, R-S.C.

Pruitt's spending on security and some of the security contracts with Perrotta are among the topics of the federal probes involving the EPA under Pruitt, a former Oklahoma attorney general. Pruitt, an advocate of minimizing regulation, has survived the kind of scandals that have brought down several other Cabinet

appointees of President Donald Trump's.

At House hearings last week, Pruitt weathered six hours of scathing questions, criticism and a couple of calls from congressional Democrats to resign over the steady flow of news reports and announcements of new investigations allegations of ethical lapses at his agency. They include spending on Pruitt's behalf for round-the-clock security guards, first-class plane tickets and a \$43,000 soundproof telephone

booth.

Pruitt said in his statements that Perrotta was retiring after a 23-year government career that included time in the Secret Service and under previous EPA administrators. He praised Perrotta for hard work and dedication. Pruitt thanked Kelly for what he said was his "tremendous impact" in Kelly's year overseeing the nation's Superfund program, charged with handling the cleanup of toxic waste sites.

Mystery grows deeper over pro-Saudi tabloid

Questions abound around the glossy magazine's origins

By JOSH LEDERMAN
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It landed with a thud on newsstands at Walmart and rural supermarkets in March: Ninety-seven fawning pages saluting Saudi Arabia, whose ambitious crown prince was soon to arrive in the U.S. on a public relations blitz to transform his country's image.

As questions swirled about the glossy magazine's origins, the Saudis said they were just as perplexed as everyone else, declaring on Twitter: "If you find out, we'd love to know."

But files obtained by The Associated Press show that a digital copy of the magazine, produced by American Media Inc., was quietly shared with officials at the Saudi Embassy in Washington almost three weeks before its publication.

How the early copy made it to the Saudis is unclear.

Yet the revelation adds another mysterious twist to a murky tale playing out against the backdrop of bids by both President Donald Trump and David Pecker, the tabloid publisher who supports him, to build goodwill with the Saudi kingdom's leaders.

The worlds of Trump, the Saudis and AMI have overlapped before, often in dizzying ways.

The Trump administration has aggressively courted the Saudis and found a willing partner on a range of issues, including Iran, counterterrorism and Middle East peace, in the kingdom's royal family.

And AMI's flagship publication, *The National Enquirer*, has been accused by critics of acting as a keeper of secrets for Trump.

AMI denies that it shared an advance copy of "*The New Kingdom*" with the Saudis or consulted with



J. DAVID AKE/AP

Files obtained by AP show that a digital copy was shared with Saudi Embassy officials in Washington before publication.

them on the project, and AMI says the Saudis did not pay the company to produce the magazine.

But an individual with knowledge of the situation said AMI reached out to Saudi officials in the U.S. before publication to seek help with the content.

The Saudis never responded, said the individual, who wasn't authorized to comment publicly and requested anonymity.

Merely sharing an advance copy with the Saudis, while a deviation from traditional journalistic practice, is not legally problematic for AMI.

But the unusual circumstances and continuing mystery of the magazine's origins have led legal experts to point out a separate issue in federal lobbying law: If the Saudis or any other foreign government did direct or pay any company to produce such a magazine, that company would be required to register with the government under the Foreign Agent Registration Act.

There is no evidence any such direction, in this case, occurred.

Why would American Media, best-known for publishing salacious stories of sex and scandal, sink money into printing 200,000 copies of a magazine with a grinning Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman splashed across the cover?

The crown prince is no household name in the U.S., especially in states like Nebraska where the magazine showed up. And at \$13.99 a copy and with no advertisements, the publication seems unlikely to be a money-maker.

Prince Mohammed has won praise in the West for trying to modernize Saudi Arabia and improve some rights for women, but the magazine omits any criticism on such core issues as his hard-hitting tactics, Saudi Arabia's restrictive political system and the country's bloody intervention in Yemen's civil war and strong-handed tactics toward Lebanon.

AMI spokesman Jon

Hammond said he expected the magazine to turn a profit by selling 60,000 copies, comparing it to other AMI special editions on the Olympics, the Kennedys and Elvis Presley — topics that, unlike the Saudi crown prince, are of obvious widespread interest to tabloid readers in the U.S.

"Absolutely not," Hammond responded when asked by the AP if American Media had collaborated with the Saudis on the magazine or been paid by them.

Saud Kabli, the Saudi Embassy's communications director, said the embassy had "no role in the production of the magazine."

"We don't have a problem with the magazine, but we just don't think it is effective," Kabli said.

Metadata embedded in the PDF file, obtained by the AP from two different individuals, show it was produced by an AMI production employee at 8:41 p.m. on Feb. 19.

Shortly thereafter, it started circulating inter-

nally among Saudi officials, including the embassy's military office, according to individuals familiar with the situation.

It was also passed to Nail al-Jubeir, the former embassy spokesman and brother of Saudi Foreign Minister Adel al-Jubeir, recently named Saudi ambassador to Ireland, the individuals said.

By the next day — Feb. 20 — Saudi officials had started forwarding it to Washington foreign policy contacts, giving them an early look, said the individuals, who weren't authorized to discuss the situation and requested anonymity.

A month later, on March 19, Prince Mohammed arrived in the U.S., with the magazine serving as his literary red carpet.

The Enquirer endorsed Trump's quest for the presidency. During the 2016 race, the tabloid paid a former Playboy model who said she had an affair with Trump \$150,000 to keep silent about the relationship. In April, the company agreed to let the model, Karen McDougal, out of that contract.

heavily from newswire photos and stock images — many with no connection to Saudi Arabia, according to Tineye, a reverse-image search tool.

Among the supposed Saudi Arabian highlights pictured are sand-dune surfing in Namibia, a massive indoor greenhouse in the Netherlands and wildlife pictures taken in Zambia and Israel.

"There are lots of things that warrant answers," political law attorney Josh Rosenstein said about the pro-Saudi magazine.

As Saudi Arabia starts to open up to Western entertainment, American Media has sought to expand its media empire into the kingdom — the kind of lucrative opportunity that often comes with the blessing of the Saudi royal court.

Last summer, Pecker dined at the White House with Trump and a French businessman with close business ties to the Saudis, and later traveled to Riyadh to pitch Saudi investors on helping AMI acquire *Time* magazine, *The New York Times* reported.

AMI denied making such an inquiry.

Trump's son-in-law and senior aide, Jared Kushner, has also tried to enlist Prince Mohammed's help with his ambitious Mideast peace initiative.

Pecker is close to Trump and his struggling tabloid empire also has ties to the president's attorney, Michael Cohen. After an FBI raid on Cohen's office last month, investigators are believed to be examining whether *The National Enquirer* was involved with Trump's campaign.

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A RARE LEGAL VICTORY IN AGING JAPAN

Widow, 66, gets her \$113K deposit back from nursing home

BY YURI KAGEYAMA
Associated Press

Affairs Center of Japan, a government-backed agency, reports growing problems with residents of assisted living facilities who decide to leave but have a hard time getting those big onetime payments back.

"The reasons for such payments have always been unclear," said Kosei Ogawa, Makino's lawyer. "It serves as an expression of gratitude."

Makino says she was unhappy with how staff at Grancreefer treated her.

But the strongest factor behind her win was a malfunctioning emergency alarm that kept going off at night, disturbing her rest. The management of Grancreefer refused to fix it despite repeated requests, dismissing her as senile, she said.

"Why do we have to be treated as inferior when we are paying all this money?" said Makino, who spent much of her career on the move, including stays in Colombia and Mexico. "The appearance may be that of a gorgeous hotel, but the staff's behavior was low grade."

Tokyu Land Corp., which runs Grancreefer and other similar facilities around Tokyo, refused to comment.

Five million of Japan's 35 million people 65 and older are estimated to live in special-care facilities, according to the health ministry. Given the shrinking size of families as the birth-rate declines, the need for group homes, hospices and assisted living accommodations is skyrocketing.

Shigenobu Ueoka, a consultant who advises families about nursing homes, says most facilities tend to focus more on pleasing government bureaucrats, who dole out aid, than about satisfying their customers.

Monitoring of quality and safety tends to be inadequate, with the worst facilities charging residents for food and adult diapers on top of regular fees, or restricting family members' visits as a nuisance, said Ueoka, who has visited hundreds of homes in Japan, and dozens in Europe and the United States.

He says the system's troubles are partly related to Japan's relatively generous support for its elderly, which limits the burden for those qualifying for government help to only 10-20 percent of the total costs.

The rest is covered by the government, with the level

of aid depending on an



Retired harpist Yumi Makino won a two-year legal battle to get her nursing home deposit back from Tokyu Land Corp.

individual's health and income.

Typically, a resident might pay \$470 out of the total \$3,700 monthly cost for food, housing and care.

Facilities with a good reputation aren't cheap. "The best homes never have to advertise," and they have long waiting lists, Ueoka said.

Makino's win over Tokyu Land Corp. was the equivalent of an out-of-court settlement in the West.

The onetime insurance-like payment that she managed to get back, called an *ichijikin*, is standard in Japan — renters often have to pay a similar fee, called a *reikin*, for a new or renewed

lease. Such onerous payments are honorariums of sorts that symbolize an expression of gratitude toward one's higher-ups.

The government is phasing out such payments, but many places still demand them.

Still physically active and busy with her hobbies of knitting and Western-style calligraphy, Makino opted to move back into an apartment.

Many older Japanese stay in their own homes well into their 80s, getting relatively generous, government-subsidized help with cleaning, cooking and deliveries.

Makino's solution was to

sign up for daily lunch deliveries from a nearby convenience store, not because she needs the lunch, she said, but to minimize the risk of dying alone and being found weeks later — a common and realistic concern among many who live alone.

For dinner, to save trouble, she just has chocolate.

She has no children but adopted a huge black and white stray cat for company. She says she's enjoying her peaceful life, but sort of misses her legal battle.

"It was fun," Makino said. "How to pass your time is the biggest challenge of growing old."

States suing to enforce emission rules

BY CHRIS MOONEY
The Washington Post

Seventeen states plus the District of Columbia on Tuesday sued the Trump administration over its push to "reconsider" greenhouse-gas-emission rules for the nation's auto fleet, launching a legal battle over one of former President Barack Obama's most significant efforts to address climate change.

Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt in April said he

would revisit the Obama-era rules, which aim to raise efficiency requirements to about 50 miles per gallon by 2025.

Pruitt's agency said that the standards are "based on outdated information" and that new data suggest "the current standards may be too stringent."

But in the lawsuit, the states contend the EPA acted "arbitrarily and capriciously" in changing course on the greenhouse-gas regulations.

This phalanx of states

will defend the nation's clean car standards to boost gas mileage and curb toxic air pollution," California Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat, said in a statement announcing the suit, which was filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

The lawsuit comes amid a larger struggle over climate policy regarding U.S. cars and light trucks. The Trump administration has drafted a proposal that would freeze the federal standards at 2021 levels, leaving them well below

the current standards created under a 2011 agreement reached among



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Obama-era emission rules aim to raise automobile efficiency requirements to about 50 miles per gallon by 2025.

carbon dioxide emissions from vehicles sold between 2012 and 2025, according to the EPA.

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

White House defends seizure of Trump's medical records

WASHINGTON — The White House says President Donald Trump's former bodyguard did nothing out of the ordinary when he took possession of the president's medical records in what Trump's former doctor says felt like a "raids."

Harold Bornstein, Trump's longtime personal doctor, told NBC that Keith Schiller and two others showed up at his office in February 2017 in an episode that left him

feeling "frightened" and "sad."

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders defended the move: "As is standard operating procedure for a new president, the White House Medical Unit took possession of the president's medical records."

Bornstein also told CNN that it was Trump who dictated a glowing letter of health for the then-candidate in 2015 that the doctor signed.

Twin blasts at mosque in northern Nigeria kill at least 28

YOLA, Nigeria — A pair of explosions killed at least 28 worshippers at a mosque in northeastern Nigeria and wounded at least 56 others, with many of the victims caught in the second blast while trying to flee, police said Tuesday.

The attack in the town of Mubi came a day after President Muhammadu Buhari met with President Donald Trump at the White House and dis-

cussed the threat from the Nigeria-based Boko Haram extremist group. Its fighters were blamed for Tuesday's blasts.

This is the second time in six months that dozens have been killed in an attack on a Mubi mosque. In November, a teenage suicide bomber attacked worshippers as they gathered for morning prayers, killing at least 50 people in one of the region's deadliest assaults in years.

U.S.: Vet implanted heroin in puppies for Colombia drug ring

NEW YORK — A veterinarian pleaded not guilty on Tuesday to U.S. charges that he implanted liquid heroin in puppies to turn them into drug mules for a Colombian trafficking ring.

Andres Lopez Elorza, 38, appeared in federal court in Brooklyn after being extradited from Spain, where he was arrested in 2015 on a U.S. warrant. He was ordered held without bail. He be-

came a fugitive in 2005. Before he fled, the defendant had "gained some notoriety" from accusations that he stitched packets of liquid heroin into "animal couriers," prosecutors said Tuesday.

It is believed that the dogs were sent on commercial flights to New York City, where the drugs were then cut out, authorities said. Investigators believe the puppies would have died in the process.



CHUNG SUNG-JUN/GETTY

South Korean soldiers in Paju remove one of the loudspeakers used to blast music and propaganda across the border into North Korea. The military began dismantling the high-decibel sound system Tuesday as part of a bilateral agreement reached last week.

Airstrikes kill 23 civilians in ISIS-held territory in Syria

BEIRUT — Airstrikes killed at least 23 civilians on Tuesday in one of the last pockets of Islamic State-controlled territory in Syria, according to Syrian state media and an opposition-linked monitoring group, as U.S.-backed forces in the area announced they have resumed their campaign against the extremists.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said it was not clear if the airstrikes in the Hasakeh province were carried out by the U.S.-led coalition or the Iraqi air force. It said the strikes killed 10 children, six wom-

en and seven elderly people. The state-run Syrian News Agency said 25 civilians were killed in the airstrikes south of the town of Shadadi, blaming the U.S.-led coalition.

The strikes took place in an area where the U.S.-backed and Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces are battling the Islamic State group, also known as ISIS.

In an email to The Associated Press, the U.S.-led coalition said initial reports suggest there were no coalition airstrikes in the area where the deadly airstrikes are said to have taken place.

Lelwa Abdullah, an SDF spokeswoman, said Tuesday the final phase of a large operation against the Islamic State group in eastern Syria has begun. She said the SDF will "liberate those areas and secure the Syrian-Iraqi border and end the (ISIS) presence in eastern Syria once and for all."

The SDF had redeployed hundreds of its forces to western Syria after Turkish troops attacked the Kurdish-held Afrin enclave earlier this year, effectively putting operations against Islamic State militants on hold.

Order to list toll of U.S. anti-terror strikes ignored

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration has chosen to ignore an executive order that requires the White House to issue an annual report on the number of civilians and enemy fighters killed by American counterterrorism strikes.

The mandate for the report, which was due

Tuesday, was established by former President Barack Obama in 2016 as part of a broader effort to lift the veil of secrecy surrounding drone operations overseas.

"The executive order that requires the civilian casualty report is under review" and could be "modified" or "rescinded,"

a White House spokesman said.

The decision on the civilian casualty report is part of a broader shift in U.S. counterterrorism policy to withhold more information about U.S. drone strikes and the rules governing them, reversing Obama-era policies dating to 2013.

Australian cardinal to face trial on abuse charges

MELBOURNE, Australia — Australian Cardinal George Pell, the most senior Vatican official to be charged in the Catholic Church sex abuse crisis, on Tuesday officially denied charges of sexual abuse spanning decades after his lawyers failed to sway a court to dismiss them.

Australia's highest-ranking Catholic will appear for the first time on Wednesday in the Victoria state County Court, where he has been ordered to stand trial at a date yet to be set.

Lawyers for Pell, Pope Francis' finance minister, have been fighting the allegations since before he was charged last June with allegations of sexual abuse against multiple people in Victoria from the time he was a priest in his hometown of Ballarat in the 1970s until the 1990s, when he was archbishop of Melbourne.

A high-rise building occupied by squatters in downtown Sao Paulo caught fire and collapsed Tuesday, killing at least one person and sending chunks of fiery debris into surrounding streets. A firefighter atop another building was trying to save someone clinging to the outside of an upper floor when the wall fell away.

Arizona teachers said they will end a historic statewide strike that shut down schools for days if lawmakers pass a plan that offers big raises and increased school funding but that still falls short of their demands. Organizers made the announcement Tuesday after educators statewide walked off the job last week.

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EDITORIALS

What Paul Vallas brings to the race for mayor

When he ran for governor in 2002, Paul Vallas talked about a program he had launched to provide eyeglasses for thousands of children in Chicago Public Schools. As schools CEO, he was surprised to learn that groups of students struggling academically also flunked their eye exams. Poor vision has consequences. So he set up a program to buy them glasses. Bingo.

Out-of-the-box thinking is a Vallas specialty. As he kicks off his campaign for mayor, Chicagoans should expect a platform of unique proposals to address the city's challenges, from its severely underfunded pensions to a seemingly intractable crime problem. Problem-solving is Vallas' brand. Can he sell it?

The fast-talking former schools chief, former City Hall budget director, former candidate for governor and lieutenant governor is the latest addition to the 2019 mayoral race. A half-dozen candidates have announced their intentions to challenge Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who will seek his third four-year term. The election is in February; a runoff in April will follow if the top vote-getter doesn't collect at least 50 percent of the vote.

Vallas is a formidable challenger, so don't be surprised if other candidates pummel him with negative advertising. He won't have a big campaign war chest of his own, but we expect he'll have big, and appealing, ideas. He may propose transformational changes that rile this or



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mayoral candidate Paul Vallas has a history of out-of-the-box thinking.

that constituency — ideas on how a cash-strapped City Hall should budget its money, or run its schools, or improve its jobs climate, or attack its violent crime rate. He isn't afraid to take risks, in Chicago and other cities where he's worked to revive moribund school systems.

Emanuel has followed a more conventional approach to big city governing. He has repeatedly turned to property taxes and fees to balance budgets; his 2018 budget raised taxes for the sixth time in seven years. He is phasing out — too slowly — the

dangerous borrowing practices of his predecessor, Richard M. Daley. And he has courted the tourism industry, big business and real estate developers to keep the city's downtown thriving.

But the city's financial troubles are an issue Vallas will exploit: Has Emanuel's approach resolved Chicago's public finances or merely tinkered around the edges without adequately shrinking city government's costly overhead?

Vallas argues that the city is "in big trouble" with looming pension

payments and growing debts. Moody's Investors Service still ranks Chicago's creditworthiness as "junk" due to high debt and unfunded pension liabilities. Emanuel will have to do better than rail at Moody's.

But there's much more to a mayor's race in this city than a balance sheet. Chicagoans want someone they can trust. That's been a hurdle for Emanuel, particularly following the stalled release of the police shooting video involving 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. He continues to battle the perception that he is aloof and insincere. It's what landed him in a runoff election in 2015.

Vallas, by contrast, grew up in the restaurant business greeting customers. He earned mediocre grades in high school and attended a state university. He is known for being approachable and conversational.

He brings a contrast to the mayor's race that will make it particularly popcorn-worthy. Beyond Emanuel and Vallas, the roster of candidates includes a former police superintendent, a county official under federal investigation, a former CPS principal, a tech entrepreneur, a businessman and a political activist.

Vallas didn't win his 2002 run for governor in part because he was nervous about flying. Downstate voters didn't get to see all that he had to offer.

In this mayoral race, no airplanes. And plenty of opportunities to impress Chicago voters.

He needed to make amends for bullying. What about the rest of us?

Do you owe someone an apology?

Not for a recent slight or modest wrong you committed, but for a past act that you suspect caused another person deep pain. Do you need to make amends? Maybe the answer comes quickly — a yes or no — or perhaps it's buried deep.

For Bruce Smit, the answer was a searing yes. He carried guilt and shame for decades, occasionally bursting into tears at the thought of how he and others mistreated the Rys sisters back in sixth and seventh grades. That was some 60 years ago. Smit, now 71, wished to repent but was still struggling with the burden until — supported by his wife — he was able to locate and seek forgiveness from Kathleen Rys, 72, and her sister, Lorraine O'Kelly, 70, for his role in bullying them.

"**We were cruel,**" Smit told the Daily

Southtown's Donna Vickroy. "And for apparently no reason other than following the crowd." You can read the story, which appeared in Monday's Tribune, here: chicagotribune.com/bully.

Maybe there are instances in life where a person who feels responsible for a wrong exaggerates or imagines the hurt, and with an apology all bad feeling is swept away. *Oh that? I never even noticed.* Such was not the case with the Rys sisters, who — for unexplained reasons — were treated as pariahs their entire school careers in Monee. Their isolation and anguish were all-encompassing. No one ever intervened.

In grammar school no one would eat lunch with the girls, or play with them or sit with them on the bus. Smit remembers in sixth grade being part of the gang giggling at lonely Kathleen. The torments continued at Crete-Monee High School.

"When we climbed the stairs to go to our other classes, if someone bumped into us, they'd run to the washroom to wash their hands," Lorraine said. "We only had each other," Kathleen said.

Smit was in medical school when he began to consider the tragedy of the Rys sisters' mistreatment and contemplate his participation. But atonement is not always a fast or simple act to pursue. Expressing contrition requires reflection, selflessness — and bravery. It's difficult enough, given the ego's influence, to stand in a church or synagogue and privately ask God to forgive our sins. Imagine then, how Smit felt arriving at a Tinley Park Panera for an arranged meeting with two women whose childhoods he had helped destroy.

Smit was there with his wife, Tammy, still gathering his thoughts, Vickroy wrote, when Lorraine yelled out from a nearby

table, "I forgive you." Kathleen did, too.

What generosity. We can't see the scarring, but Kathleen never married and has few friends. Lorraine, who has a family, also suffered deeply. We can't see the healing either, but it's there, the sisters say. "It's just wonderful that a person from 60 years ago can ask forgiveness," Lorraine said. "It's like a miracle to us. It's a healing to us."

Smit said he was ashamed, embarrassed — and relieved. "I'm so happy they're still here and that I can finally apologize," he said. He had a message, especially for former classmates, but everyone, really: Take action, before it's too late, to seek forgiveness from those you've wronged.

So we'll ask again, as we ask ourselves: Is there anyone you owe an apology? Do you need to make amends?

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

You can hear those heads exploding from here to Oslo. Republican lawmakers are pushing Donald Trump, the most combative man in the universe, for a Nobel Peace Prize. How unimaginable is this? And here's the part that would drive Trump haters into a frenzy:

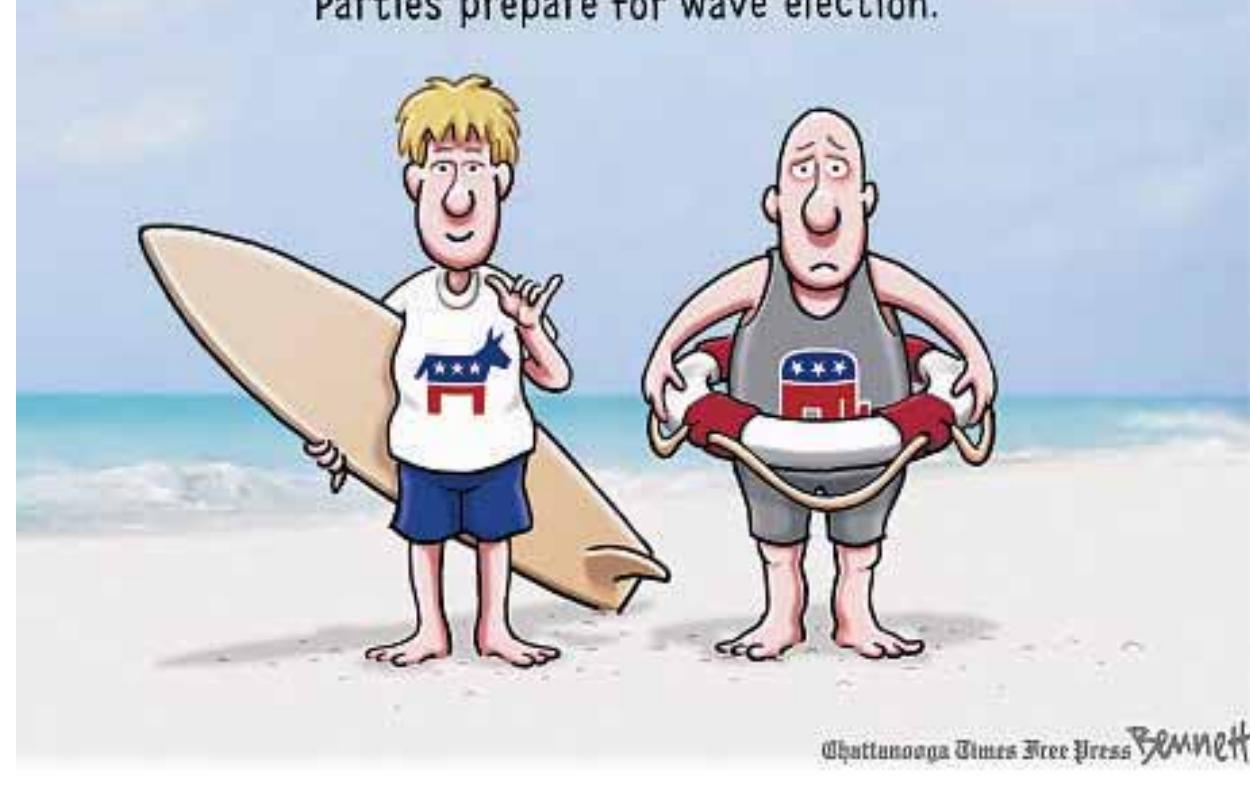
If he could pull off denuclearizing North Korea, he would deserve it more than Barack Obama did when he had that bouquet thrown at him seconds into his presidency. And Trump certainly would deserve it more than Henry Kissinger, who won the prize in 1973 for his efforts to end the Vietnam War, after privately persuading Richard Nixon to keep it going for years and while secretly bombing Cambodia. ... It would be a paradox: The man so many Americans loathe as a villain taming a charter member of the Axis of Evil.

Maureen Dowd, The New York Times

Pushing impeachment would be a mistake, says David Wasserman, who tracks House races for the non-partisan Cook Political Report. "It's a political loser for Democrats at the moment," he told The Daily Beast. "If midterms are a referendum on Trump, Democrats win that referendum. If it's a referendum on impeachment, it's a much closer question." Too many Democrats are fixated on Stormy Daniels and the latest developments in the Mueller probe while most swing voters in key districts care about the latest Congressional Budget Office score showing the GOP budget blows a huge hole in the deficit, with foreboding implications for Social Security and Medicare. "Those are the areas where Republicans are really struggling in these swing districts," says Wasserman.

Eleanor Clift, The Daily Beast

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Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE

Why fire one congressional chaplain when we can fire them all?



Washington is asking why U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan recently fired Patrick Conroy, the Roman Catholic Jesuit priest who had been serving as House chaplain since 2011.

The logical inference is Ryan fired him as payback for Conroy beseeching God, in his

opening prayer on a key legislative day last November, that there not be "winners and losers under new tax laws, but benefits balanced and shared by all Americans."

Balanced benefits? When the GOP tax bill Ryan was shepherding was designed to give more than 80 percent of the benefits to the top 1 percent of earners? Heresy!

Conroy has claimed that Ryan later pulled him aside and said, "Padre, you just got to stay out of politics."

"This was not about politics or prayers," Ryan countered during an appearance Monday at the Midwest Conservative Summit in Milwaukee. "It was about pastoral services. And a number of our members felt like the pastoral services were not being adequately served, or offered."

Furious Democrats have failed in an effort to establish a select committee to get to the bottom of the first-ever firing of a congressional chaplain.

What Washington should be asking, however, is why we still have clergymen (they have always been men) on the congressional payroll.

The House chaplain earns \$172,500 a year while his Senate counterpart — currently Seventh-day Adventist minister Barry Black — earns \$160,787. Adding staff and office expenses, the annual cost of maintaining these largely ceremonial tips of the hat to Christianity approaches \$1 million.

Founder James Madison saw the flaw in the idea when it began in 1789: "Is the appointment of chaplains to the two houses of Congress consistent with the Constitution, and with the pure principle of religious freedom?" he wrote. "In strictness, the answer on both points must be in the negative."

Let lawmakers "like their constituents, (worship) at their own expense," wrote Madison. "How noble in its exemplary sacrifice to the genius of the Constitution and the divine rights of conscience! Why should the expense of a religious worship for the legislature be paid by the public?"

Madison's words ring even more true today.

In the intervening 229 years, our nation has become far more religiously diverse and secular (this

avoided any question of financial support of religion while simultaneously dodging some of the potential for denominational favoritism," according to "The Congressional Chaplaincies," a 2009 scholarly article by Christopher Lund, a professor at Wayne State University Law School.

But the temptation for majorities to institutionalize favored creeds proved too great. Paid, full-time chaplains returned to Congress. And yes, of course, the practice blows a gaping hole in the wall of separation that ideally stands between church and state, protecting each from the incursions of the other.

The U.S. Supreme Court has chosen to look the other way. In *Marsh v. Chambers*, a 1983 case, the court upheld public funding of legislative chaplains even though the tradition lacks a secular purpose and amounts to government promotion of religion — the normal no-nos.

A 6-3 majority ruled that, since the practice began with the first Congress, the founders clearly didn't believe it conflicted with the guarantee of religious freedom. The *Marsh* opinion added that invoking "divine guidance on a public body entrusted with making the laws is ... simply a tolerable acknowledgment of beliefs widely held among the people of this country."

But we can see from the Ryan-Conroy imbroglio that having salaried clergy in Congress is, in fact, intolerable.

Along with the debate over Conroy's expression of liberal pieties is a brewing debate over whether a celibate Catholic priest can address the spiritual needs of married legislators.

"I'm looking for somebody who ... has adult children (and) can connect with the bulk of the body here," said Rep. Mark Walker, R-N.C., a Southern Baptist who is on the committee seeking a replacement for Conroy. Walker alluded to his concern for what lawmakers "are going through, back home, (with) the wife (and) the family."

There's so much wrong with that! The anti-Catholicism! The inappropriateness of lawmakers playing pastoral referee! The hint of the sectarian popularity contest ahead! The inevitable subsequent neutering of the new chaplain to render all prayers so theologically bland that they don't risk injecting controversy into lawmakers' ostentatious displays of piety!

Where to begin?
How about by ending it?

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Can the White House correspondents' dinner be saved?



CLARENCE PAGE

Could this be the end of "nerd prom"? Major news organizations have threatened to withdraw financial support from the White House Correspondents' Association's annual spring dinner, affectionately known among Washington's media workers as "nerd prom," if the organization doesn't drop its traditional comedy act from the program.

Yes, as you may have guessed, the issue erupted after Michelle Wolf's stand-up routine at Saturday's dinner. Depending on whose side you're on, it sparked outrage or accolades for her raunchy roasts of President Donald Trump — who was not in the room — and his staff, particularly press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders and counselor to the president Kellyanne Conway. Both were in attendance and not smiling much at the roasting.

A sample: "Of course, Trump isn't here, if you haven't noticed," Wolf said at one point. "He's not here. And I know, I know, I

would drag him here myself. But it turns out the president of the United States is the one p---- you're not allowed to grab."

I, too, was in the room, surrounded by people who were not always sure of whether to laugh or not. Wolf received strong applause as she finished but, unlike the previous year's edgy comic, "The Daily Show" correspondent Hasan Minhaj, no standing ovation.

The journalists in charge of the WHCA quickly learned that they had a new headache: complaints from their own members and outside critics concerned with public perceptions. With polls showing a worrisome dip in the public's trust of the media, too many viewers already presume that the entertainer is speaking for the journalists, even when he or she isn't.

To ease the heat, the WHCA released a statement Sunday night, lamenting how Wolf's routine "was not in the spirit" of the group's mission. Unfortunately, the irony in that complaint at a dinner dedicated to speech and press freedoms can hardly be ignored.

Other comedians rushed to Wolf's defense, including at least two other former WHCA dinner speakers, Stephen Colbert of CBS' "The Late Show" and Seth Meyers of NBC's "Late Night."

Olivier Knox, a SiriusXM correspondent

who will take office this summer as the WHCA's next president, said on Monday that the association is gathering feedback and contemplating possible changes that might include dumping the comedian. As somebody who has said for a very long time that the dinner should be "boring," that is to say focused on journalists and the work of good reporters," Knox told CNN's Brian Stelter, "I am very open to suggestions about how to change it."

For years a debate has been percolating in newsrooms and elsewhere over "nerd prom" and whether it has out-lived its usefulness. Founded in 1914 out of an effort to stop President Woodrow Wilson from discontinuing news conferences, the organization has expanded to promote excellence with awards, encourage journalism education with scholarships, call attention to journalists who have been killed or jailed around the globe, and encourage administrations to provide more access to journalists.

The annual dinner has been the organization's biggest fundraiser for those efforts. It also has provided a platform for presidents to give a humorous speech and display a sense of camaraderie as fellow Americans, no matter how much we may cross swords over questions of coverage. But the event also has been dogged by

hand-wringing over the appearance of journalists getting too close to their sources to maintain the adversarial role that prevents us from selling out. The growing attendance by Hollywood stars since the 1980s was fun, but it also brought complaints that the event was getting to be "too Hollywood." Those invitations have mostly ended in the Trump era, which at least has made parking easier.

Can "nerd prom" be saved? It's highly unlikely that the association will end the dinner, but news executives from Politico, CBS News and The Washington Post, among others, have said booking another controversial comedian would not be worth the risk, the Post reports.

Or they could take my suggestion as a concerned nonmember: Keep the entertainment, but let the president have the last word. As the closing speaker, he or, someday, she will be able to smooth whatever feathers might have been ruffled earlier or can choose to ruffle some more. Even Trump would have a hard time turning down that offer.

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PERSPECTIVE

One way Canada is tackling its police violence problem

BY JOHN LORINC

After a Toronto cop peacefully arrested a man who allegedly killed almost a dozen people with a rented van last week, his superiors sent him off for a debriefing with a psychologist. They later reported to the media that Constable Ken Lam, though widely praised for his restraint, was feeling conflicted. He had endured a sleepless night and would likely experience flashbacks triggered by the conflicts that come up daily in policing.

The disclosure came from Toronto's deputy police chief, who explained that he himself endured lingering trauma from an incident early in his career.

The unexpected sight of law enforcement officials talking openly about the psychological toll of their profession offers a clue about how a growing number of Canadian police services have opted to confront the emotional cost of a profession with especially high levels of corrosive stress, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety and alcoholism.

Since 2015, more than 80,000 Canadian first responders and supervisors — mostly cops, but also firefighters, paramedics and 911 operators — have been trained in a program called Road to Mental Readiness (R2MR), developed by the Mental Health Commission of Canada based on a model developed by the Canadian Armed Forces.

Andrew Szeto, a University of Calgary psychologist studying the impact of the program, says the steadily rising numbers of Canadian cops availing themselves of such psychological support and training programs can be read, perhaps counterintuitively, as evidence of increasingly healthy workplaces for first responders.

The significance of this cultural shift poses important but elusive questions: What role does untreated mental illness play in police violence? And if law enforcement agencies can figure out how to shed their traditionally macho and insular culture in favor of a more open approach to the demands of policing, will we see fewer shootings, unprovoked assaults or garden-variety acts of intimidation by police?

It would be wrong to overestimate the potential of such programs. Extensive research shows that racial minorities are over-policed and disproportionately victimized. A 2016 Yale University study found



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A rose adorns a police officer at a vigil Sunday in Toronto remembering the victims of a van attack days earlier that left 10 people dead.

that blacks and Hispanics were 50 percent more likely than whites to be the victims in nonlethal police use-of-force incidents.

In Canada, CBC News recently compiled a list of 461 deadly force incidents involving police between 2000 and 2017. The numbers show disproportionately high numbers of black and indigenous victims. Indeed, in cities as disparate as Ferguson, Mo., and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, past evidence of abuses indicate systemic, widely tolerated racism as a significant factor.

Yet a small but growing body of neurological research suggests that some first responders involved in extremely stressful situations, such as domestic violence or active-shooter calls, may experience such severe physiological responses (e.g., adrenaline surges that cause spikes in heart rates and irregular breathing) that their perception of an incident becomes impaired.

These include tunnel vision, so-called auditory exclusion (i.e., reduced hearing) or exaggerated flight-or-fight reactions that cause seemingly ordinary

encounters to abruptly escalate with lethal consequences. After even 15 or 20 minutes of extreme stress, says Michigan State University chair of family medicine Bengt Arnetz, "your ability for impulse control goes down dramatically." Under such conditions, he adds, "the risk is that they don't apply their (use-of-force) training."

Arnetz is among a group of researchers now looking at developing new types of scenario-based training that teach first responders how to control these kinds of physiological responses in the heat of the moment, especially with "diaphragmatic breathing," which has been shown to counteract stress reactions such as cortisol surges.

In the trials Arnetz has conducted, participants are given biometric monitors that show how they are reducing their physiological stress levels with these methods. "We never use psychological terms because that's not very well accepted," Arnetz says.

In a 2015 study, University of Toronto psychologist Judith Andersen reported that a group of Swedish police officers

trained to use these "resilience" techniques reported "significant and clinically relevant improvements" and reduced health care claims. "What we do is condition people's bodies to respond in different ways," Andersen says.

The Road to Mental Readiness program, which has been rolled out in 16 communities across Canada, focuses on stigma reduction, resilience skills such as visualizing how to handle various situations in advance and, crucially, a new language for talking about day-to-day mental health issues, Szeto says.

Both frontline staff and supervisors are taught to use a simple four-color code — green, yellow, orange and red — that corresponds to the way someone is feeling on a given day. "It's more straightforward and replaces stigma laden words like 'depressed' or 'anxious,'" Szeto says. "It reconceptualizes how we talk about mental illness as a continuum."

Surveys of 4,700 R2MR program attendees show that participants have improved their resiliency skills and feel less stigma about discussing

mental health with colleagues and supervisors and in peer-support groups.

Calgary police Chief Roger Chaffin says that in recent years, he has seen more officers making use of the department's psychological services team, but he doesn't see that as a negative. And from a deployment perspective, there's a recognition among the Calgary Police Service brass that the impact of highly stressful calls can linger. "We don't just force them back into work and hope they'll get better," he observes. "Do we pay enough attention to people before they've made terrible decisions?"

It's a good question. In an era when a cellphone video of a single cop's terrible decision can go viral and trigger protests, it would seem that figuring out how to defuse the side effects of a grinding profession couldn't happen fast enough.

The Washington Post

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Uber should report data on violent incidents involving its drivers

BY ERIC NEWCOMER

Uber, Lyft, Didi and the rest of the global ride-sharing industry look more and more like public transportation, in both the number of customers they serve and the variety of transportation options they offer. Yet we know very little about how safe these services are. How often do drivers get into accidents? How often do those accidents result in serious injuries? How frequently do drivers attack passengers and vice versa?

I recently wrote about 14 women who say they were assaulted, raped or harassed by their Uber drivers. Their stories are terrifying. One says she was "jolted awake" when her Uber driver began sexually assaulting her. Another says her driver took her not to her sister's apartment but to his, where he forced her inside and raped her.

We can hope these nightmare allegations are tragic anomalies. But how rare are they?

We don't know. Unlike most public transportation services in the U.S., which release data about arrests and are subject to public records requests, San Francisco-based Uber and its competitors



GENE J. PUSKAR/AP
We know little about the safety records of services like Lyft and Uber.

share very little information about how often tragedy strikes. The Bay Area's BART subway system replied to my request for data in seven minutes with a report showing a 24 percent increase in violent crimes in 2017. It's not a comforting trend line, but putting the information in front of the public is a first step to addressing the problem. BART has increased the number of arrests.

In contrast, I submitted a pub-

lic records request months ago for information about Uber drivers who had been arrested in San Francisco.

After several months, police shared a smattering of arrest reports that could not have represented all the violent incidents involving Uber drivers in the city. Several police forces said it would be impossible to provide any data because they don't track Uber drivers specifically.

Uber is actively debating

whether it should release incident data and what that data might look like, people with knowledge of the discussions say. Most companies take great pains to avoid releasing information that could paint them in a bad light. But there are good reasons for Uber to do so. After the initial shock, people's focus would turn to whether the numbers are improving over time. That's what happened after technology companies started reporting diversity statistics. The resulting conversations have been healthy.

The perception of safety is essential to the viability of ride-sharing services. If people don't think Uber is safe, they'd probably be willing to pay more to take an alternative. Uber's reputation when it comes to safety is already under siege. Local news jumps on just about every report of a violent incident. Uber's detractors are tracking and amplifying those reports. Uber could use a more comprehensive answer when something horrific happens, one that puts it in context and perhaps shows violence going down.

Given that safety is so important to the long-term health of its business, Uber would benefit from regular public scrutiny. The

company's founding philosophy essentially put growth above everything else. Dara Khosrowshahi, who took over as chief executive of a company in turmoil last fall, has said last year's scrutiny "not only started a real cultural change that was painful for Uber but incredibly positive. The leaks, etc., led Uber to finally understand that it had to make the changes that it is making."

New leadership aside, Uber maintains a trust deficit. Customers don't give it the benefit of the doubt. Uber wants to be a once-in-a-generation global company that runs the world's transportation infrastructure. If it wants to prove it can do things better than the government, it needs to be at least as transparent when things go wrong.

After Khosrowshahi took over Uber, he rewrote the company's cultural values. Two stand out: "We help improve access to transportation, and make streets safer," and "We do the right thing, period."

Prove it.

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PERPECTIVE



President-elect Donald Trump shakes hands with then-President Barack Obama during a transition meeting in 2016.

6 questions about Trump's economy you were too embarrassed to ask

BY CATHERINE RAMPEL

Over the past few months, President Donald Trump has painted a portrait of a resurgence: After tanking under President Barack Obama, the economy has finally been Made Great Again.

Based on recent polls and my own reader email, much of the public believes this narrative. The word "booming" gets thrown around a lot.

But how has the economy *actually* performed under Trump? There are plenty of data to help us answer this question. So I bring you: Six questions about Trump and the economy you may have been too embarrassed to ask.

1. What's the big picture? Have we seen a change under Trump?

Generally speaking, the economy today is virtually indistinguishable from the economy in the several years before Trump took office, as measured by economic growth.

Gross domestic product continues to increase at a modest but steady rate, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis. In the first quarter of this year, it grew at an annual rate of 2.3 percent; last year it also grew at 2.3 percent. That's roughly what growth averaged during Obama's second term.

2. What about hiring? Haven't we seen a big boom there?

Nope. The pace of hiring has been decent, but again, not better than it was under Obama.

Since Trump took office, nonfarm payrolls have expanded by an average of 186,000 jobs per month, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Over Obama's second term, it was an average of nearly 216,000 per month. In Obama's final year, it was 195,000.

The unemployment rate has been

falling, but that decline also began early in Obama's presidency and has more recently leveled off. Which makes sense, given that we're nine years into one of the longest recoveries on record. At some point, there isn't much further it can fall.

3. Wages have been going up though, right?

Wage growth has disappointed under Trump, as it did under Obama. Adjusted for inflation, hourly earnings grew little over the past year, up just 0.4 percent in March compared with a year earlier. Obama oversaw a few stretches of year-over-year real wage growth above 2 percent, but mostly his record was lousy too.

After the GOP tax cut passed, a bunch of companies announced plans to use some of their windfall to boost worker pay. So far, we haven't seen that in the overall data. Many of these firms were probably planning to raise pay anyway — just as they had in years past — and credited Trump's tax cut to curry favor with the White House.

4. What about federal deficits and debt? Surely Trump compares favorably with red-ink-guzzling Obama.

Federal deficits as a share of the economy did grow a lot under Obama, at first. That was largely because we had a major financial crisis. Tax revenue fell dramatically. Meanwhile, federal spending rose, thanks both to automatic outlays (e.g., more people became eligible for unemployment benefits) and deliberate stimulus measures. Additionally, baby boomers began aging into entitlement eligibility, and Obama extended the Bush tax cuts.

As the economy improved, those deficits shrank but did not go away. In fiscal 2016 (so still under Obama)

they began expanding again, and now under Trump they have exploded, despite there being neither a recession nor a major war. That is thanks to both tax cuts and spending increases.

The Congressional Budget Office projects that, in a few years, our debt-to-GDP ratio will be at its highest level since 1946.

5. Tax cuts just passed. Isn't it unfair to judge Trump's economic track record until those have been factored into the economy?

That's true. We haven't seen the impact of the tax cuts yet. But their salutary effects are likely to be modest and short-lived, for a few reasons.

So far, consumers mostly haven't noticed them. The biggest beneficiaries are also the wealthiest Americans, who are less likely to spend their tax savings. The best hope for GDP, jobs and wage growth comes from the corporate-side cuts, which could increase investment over time.

Even so, the effects are expected to be small.

All of which is to say: Don't hold your breath for that 4 percent to 6 percent GDP growth that Trump promised.

6. So, uhh, how much influence do presidents have over the economy, anyway? It sounds like not very much.

Bingo. Presidents get too much blame when the economy sours and too much credit when it improves. Not that you'd know this from Trump's boasts whenever some good news — even news that's not actually that good — rolls in.

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Facebook wants me to rat out my friends? No thanks.

BY LARA WEBER

Some Facebook users were alarmed Tuesday to see a new feature in their news feeds. Under many posts, Facebook had added this question:

"Does this post contain hate speech?" along with two buttons, "Yes" and "No."

A good move by Facebook to help identify and root out all the nastiness of social media? Or an ominous invitation to its users to become informants?

Facebook reportedly disabled the feature after its morning test — which Guy Rosen, Facebook's vice president of product management, called "a bug" on Twitter — but not before it sparked immediate concern among users.

Social media sites including Facebook and Twitter have been under intense criticism for allowing fake accounts — many traced to Russia — to manipulate public opinion during the 2016 presidential election and spread hate speech and other messages designed to inflame prejudices and deepen divisions among Americans.

So it's not surprising to see Facebook trying to curtail hate speech among its 2 billion users. But asking people to rat out their Facebook friends is not the way to go.

In 2014, China announced a "social credit system" with the goal, according to the government, of "raising the honest mentality and credit levels of the entire society." A more civil society? Sounds nice! But who defines what's civil? And what happens to those who don't achieve a perfect score?

China's social credit system is being rolled out now, in various forms, across the country. Citizens are urged to install apps that use face recognition, GPS and other data to track their good behavior — crossing at the light, tossing trash in designated spots, driving at the speed limit, etc. — and also allow users to report other citizens who don't follow the rules. That guy who never picks up after his dog? Snap a picture and ding his score!

The government aims to have the system fully in place by 2020, and participation will be mandatory.

Of course, it's easy to see how an authoritarian government such as China's can implement a system so quickly. For a person with bad social credit, life is tough. Travel is restricted — Channel News Asia reports 9 million people with poor social credit have been barred from buying domestic plane tickets. Internet speeds are slowed down. The children of low scorers are being kept out of better schools.

What's more unnerving, though, is how many Chinese have so readily embraced the system voluntarily. Why? Because for high scorers there are immediate rewards — discounts on rent or utility bills, better interest rates at banks, even boosted online dating profiles. If it doesn't sound tempting, consider all the rewards programs Americans already belong to — it isn't so hard to manipulate our behavior either, is it?

If this sounds like Netflix's dystopian series "Black Mirror," you might've seen the "Nosedive" episode, which imagines a world where everyone rates one another on a five-star scale. It doesn't go well.

Facebook hasn't introduced anything (yet) as far-reaching as China's social credit system. But seeing those prompts, which might as well have read, "Want to turn in your friend for spreading hate speech?" raised important alarms.

Proceed with caution, Facebook, because your users may be considering a different question: "Is it time to ditch social media?"

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Blagojevich has paid

I believe former Gov. Rod Blagojevich has paid his dues to society and to Illinois and should be returned to his wife and daughters. After all, he didn't kill anyone.

Carl Reimann, who shot to death five helpless people in Yorkville in 1972 during a robbery, was just released from prison. According to the written law, he has paid his due. But those he murdered will never be released from their graves, and those who loved them will never be released from their memories.

And let's not forget Thomas Kokoraleis, who was part of the Ripper Crew, a small gang that kidnapped, tortured and murdered women in the Chicago area in the early 1980s. Kokoraleis is also slated for release from prison when authorities can find a place

for him.

While I have always thought Blagojevich's sentence was over the top, I feel even more so now when I read about heinous criminals who somehow have earned their right to return to society.

Six years is enough. Rod Blagojevich should be home with his family.

— Sister Kathleen Melia, Niles

Clear intentions

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, in a televised speech aimed at the White

House, used the moment to highlight that Iran has lied repeatedly about not working toward a nuclear bomb. That Netanyahu is against the Iran nuclear deal (the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, or JCPOA) is well known.

But then, so were all the details he laid out on Monday. That's

why we entered into negotiations in the first place — we knew Iran was trying to get the bomb and the JCPOA was put in place to prevent that from happening. And by most credible accounts, the plan of action is working as intended.

Was Bibi thinking we would go to so much trouble over a country we didn't suspect of having a nuclear weapons program?

— John Houck, Lake in the Hills

Unfair targeting

How interesting to read the lead story of the April 30 Chicago Tribune, "Massive CPD gang database inaccurate, unfair, critics say." One paragraph stood out for me, the one that stated: "African-Americans and Hispanics make up 95 percent of those in the database" that the Chicago Police Department keeps on supposed gang members. The article goes on to ask "whether officers are unfairly targeting predominantly minority neighborhoods."

That is almost the exact language I was given when I served

last summer and fall as a bond court monitor for the Appleseed Fund for Justice. My first time at the court, I could not help but notice that the seats were filled with black, brown and Native American families. So after court ended, I asked another monitor about this. She is a retired lawyer, and she answered, "That is because it is where the police focus resources."

If we managed to find jobs for people on the West and South sides of Chicago, we would likely see a reduction in crime, and therefore, in the jail population.

— Janice Gintzler, Crestwood

A noble profession

As a retired educator, I was deeply disappointed by the editorial "Telling tapped-out taxpayers to pay teachers more" opposing a minimum salary for teachers. I would think most teachers feel the same way. The wage proposed by the legislature is paltry when one thinks about the profession that is so meaningful and vital to the well-being of society.

Very few professions come close to the importance of teaching, the noblest of professions.

Teachers have been given the task of nurturing our young people and passing on the skills, knowledge, history and values from one generation to the next.

In addition to subjects being taught and teaching students how to think, teachers have been asked to deal with societal issues like sex education, substance abuse and bullying. They are now being asked in some quarters to be security guards and to carry guns.

The salary paid a teacher who has a college degree — and in many cases an advanced degree — stands in stark contrast to the salaries paid athletes for playing a game. Many of these athletes, just out of high school, are making more money in one year than a teacher makes in a lifetime.

What's wrong with this picture? What's wrong with a society that has its priorities skewed and misplaced?

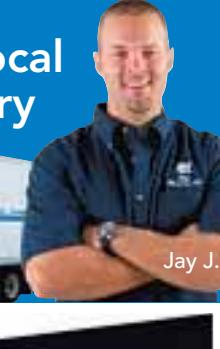
— Ned L. McCray, Tinley Park, retired principal, Simeon High School



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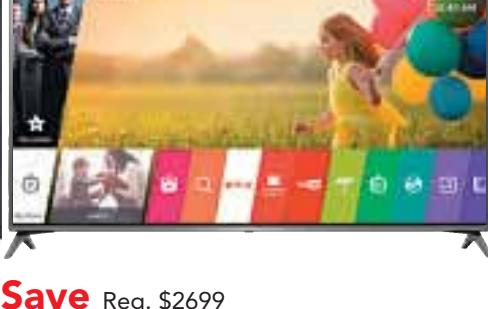
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companies.

A top workplace can be described this way: It's an organization that is successful because its employees enjoy their work, embrace their mission and feel like valued teammates. Compensation and perks are factors, but the more important components include

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opportunities for professional growth and being treated with respect.

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participate will distribute to employees an easy-to-complete, confidential survey developed by the Tribune's research partner, Energage, which will calculate the list of top workplaces. Top performers will be recognized in the report, in an online directory and at a Tribune-sponsored event. There is no fee to participate. To nominate a company, go to www.chicagotribune.com/nominate or call 312-878-7356. Deadline for nominations is May 11.

Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

United adds new pet restrictions

Travel will resume in summer; only dogs and cats will be permitted in cargo

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

United Airlines is placing new restrictions on the types of pets it will transport in cargo after a series of animal-related incidents led to an internal review earlier this year.

The Chicago-based airline will resume booking pet travel this summer, a practice it halted during the review. But it will only accept dogs and cats and will exclude some snub-nosed and strong-jawed breeds. It also won't transport animals through four

airports in hot climates in summer.

The more conservative approach is meant to "improve the safety of the pet travel experience," United said Tuesday. But it also leaves owners determined to travel with their pets — especially those often sub-

ject to airline restrictions — with one fewer option.

United decided to review its PetSafe program for pets traveling in the cargo compartment and halt new reservations in March, after a week in which the airline loaded three dogs onto the wrong planes and a fourth

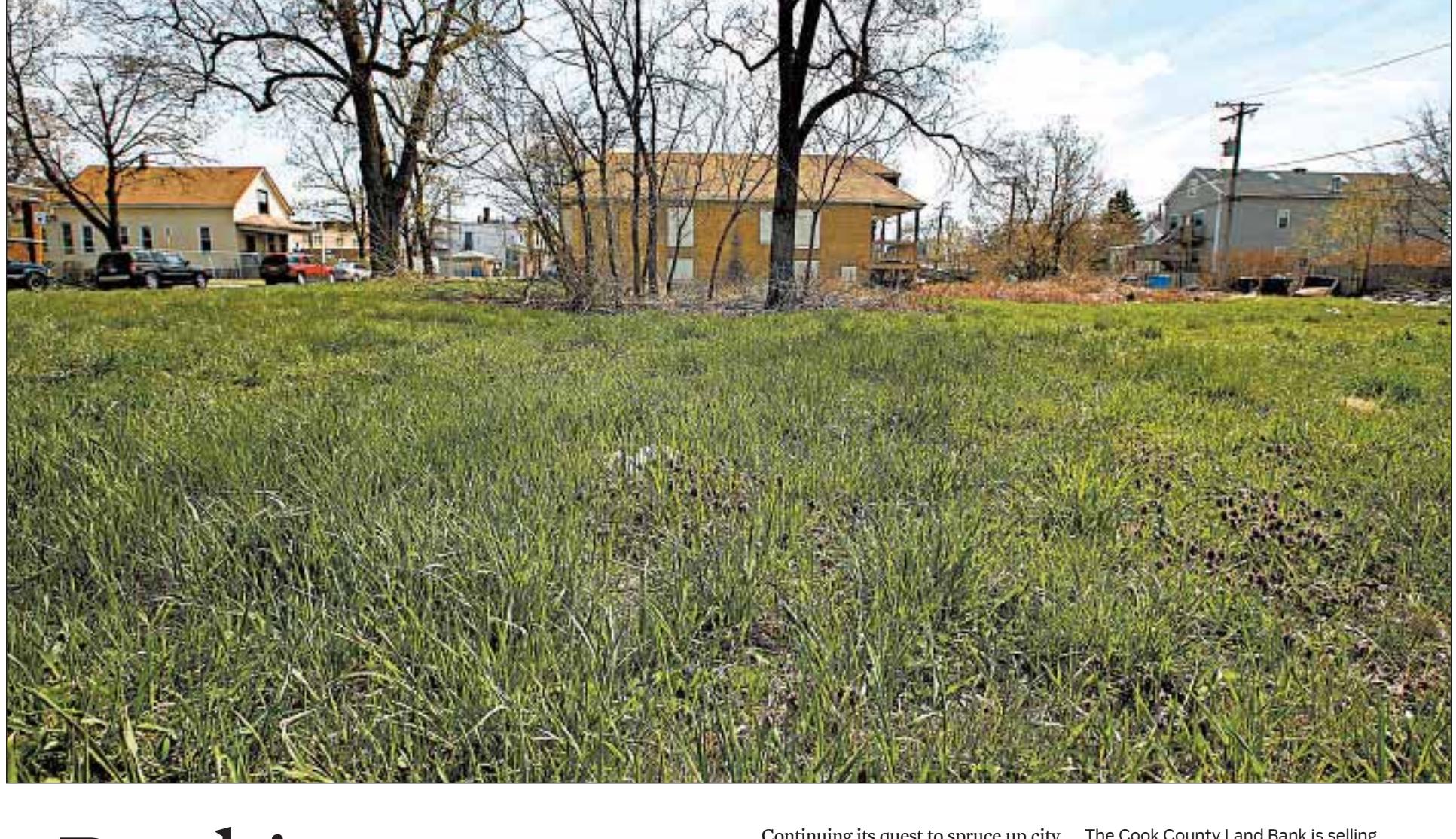
died in an overhead bin.

The dog that died was traveling in the cabin, not in cargo, and would not have been affected by the new rules. But the incidents called attention to United's record when it comes to dealing with four-legged passengers.

United transports more animals in cargo than other airlines, but also reported an

above-average number of injuries and deaths among animals in its custody. In 2017, 1.3 out of every 10,000 animals the carrier transported in cargo holds died, according to the Transportation Department, compared with 0.47 out of every 10,000 across all airlines that reported data.

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Banking on area redevelopment

Cook County selling nearly 3,200 vacant lots to encourage community growth

BY CORILYN SHROPSHIRE | Chicago Tribune

Amazon plans 2K jobs, tech expansion in Boston

BY BOB SALSBURG
Associated Press

BOSTON — Amazon unveiled plans on Tuesday for a major expansion in Boston's Seaport District, promising 2,000 new technology jobs even as the city remains in contention for the company's coveted second headquarters.

Seattle-based Amazon announced it would move into a 430,000-square-foot "Tech Hub" in 2021 and said the new jobs would be created in fields including machine learning, speech science, cloud computing and robotics.

The company has about 1,200 workers in the city, said Rohit Prasad, a Boston-based vice president and head scientist of Amazon Alexa.

In 2016, the company opened a fulfillment center in Fall River, Mass., that employs more than 1,000 workers.

The Seaport district fell largely into decay and dis-

use in the middle part of the 20th century before being transforming in recent decades into a center for cutting-edge technology firms. Republican Gov. Charlie Baker and Democratic Boston Mayor Marty Walsh both celebrated Amazon's decision, with Walsh labeling it a strong vote of confidence for the city.

"It's great news for Boston that Amazon is expanding its footprint in the Seaport, bringing new jobs and economic opportunities to our city," Walsh said in a statement.

Critics have said Boston residents and particularly those who live in predominantly minority neighborhoods have been largely shut out of the Seaport boom.

Amazon said in its statement that construction of the new office space would generate funding for job training programs that prepare local residents for technology jobs.

In January, Amazon



In addition to the planned project, above, Boston is a contender for Amazon's second headquarters.

placed Boston among 20 finalists to host the company's second North American headquarters, and Tuesday's announcement does not preclude the city from contention for the \$5 billion project that the e-commerce giant has said would create some 50,000 jobs over the next decade.

Continuing its quest to spruce up city and suburban neighborhoods, the Cook County Land Bank is putting 3,189 vacant lots up for sale.

The lots will be made available at below-market rates to individuals, developers and organizations. The land bank is hoping those who buy the properties will redevelop them in ways that meet community needs, by creating amenities like public gardens, play lots and basketball courts.

Most of the vacant lots are in areas hit hard by the 2008 foreclosure crisis and are delinquent on taxes. Many of the 2,436 vacant lots in Chicago are on the South and West sides. The bulk of the properties are in East and West Engle-

wood, according to land bank documents. The land bank also put 753 vacant lots in the suburbs up for sale, in communities such as Bellwood, Chicago Heights and Harvey, among others.

The lots were acquired as part of the 2017 biannual Cook County tax scavenger sale. Because the land bank aims to have community members transform these lots to address community needs,

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The Cook County Land Bank is selling thousands of vacant lots. Many in Chicago are on the South and West sides.

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Why cities like Dayton are fueling Grubhub's growth

BY ALLY MAROTTI
Chicago Tribune

More first-time customers tried ordering food through Grubhub in the first quarter of this year than ever before as the Chicago-based company continues its expansion to new cities.

Grubhub has launched in 50 new cities so far this year, CEO Matt Maloney said Tuesday morning, following the release of the company's first-quarter earnings.

The idea is to get into towns across America that have been long overlooked by the on-demand economy. In February, Maloney set a goal of expanding to 100 new markets by the end of the year. A partnership with Yum Brands, the Louisville, Ky.-based parent of Taco Bell, KFC and Pizza Hut, announced ear-

lier this year is expected to help achieve that goal.

"The whole strategy of signing up really good chain partners is working," he said. "We're able to sign them on as anchor tenants and go into a lot of small towns that would have been difficult otherwise."

Expansion into those second-tier cities is "growing so fast, they're pulling the whole company," said Adam DeWitt, Grubhub's president and Chief Financial Officer. The company announced last month that it had expanded to cities including Dayton, Ohio; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Sarasota, Fla.

Grubhub also is partnering with burger chain Five Guys, Corner Bakery Cafe, Ruby Tuesday, Argo Tea and Mississippi-based chain Newk's Eatery on

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Ford ditches most cars, hitches wagon to SUVs

BY PETER HOLLEY

The Washington Post

Say goodbye to the Ford Taurus.

The family-friendly sedan — which has graced American roadways since the mid 1980s — is being phased out in North America alongside the Fiesta subcompact, Fusion midsize sedan, Taurus large sedan and the C-Max van, according to Ford's quarterly earnings statement.

Ford said eliminating most of the company's cars

except for two models will allow the company to focus on their "winning portfolio" in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

The Detroit automaker plans to keep the Ford Mustang sports car and a new Focus crossover that the company aims to release next year.

The changes will also allow the company to devote more resources to SUVs and trucks, vehicles that have exploded in popularity as consumers continue to lose interest in pas-

senger cars, which no longer have a monopoly on good gas mileage.

Ford also plans to bring 16 battery-electric vehicles to market by 2022.

The company's latest cuts will not affect Lincoln sedans.

"We will refresh our entire lineup of traditional crossovers and SUVs that everyone knows, like Explorer and Escape," said Jim Farley, Ford's president of global markets, according to USA Today.

"And then we're going to

be introducing and taking capital and redeploying it for also new silhouettes, products that give the customers the utility benefits without the penalty of the fuel economy."

Company officials said the shift was based on declining demand and profitability, but Ford reported \$1.7 billion in profit for the first quarter in 2018 — a 9 percent increase compared to the same period last year.

Fiesta and Taurus could be cut from Ford's offerings as early as next year.



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Ford Fusion, above, Taurus, Fiesta and C-Max van will be phased out, according to Ford's earnings statement.



ROBOT VERA

"Robot Vera," the product of a Russian startup, can speak Russian or English and can refine its conversational skills.

A Russian robot that functions 'like Uber for job recruitment'

BY PETER HOLLEY

The Washington Post

A Russian startup has created a new way to help companies connect with job-seekers and interview them.

Her name is Vera, and she's able to interview as many as 1,500 job candidates in a single work day, sorting through potential hires at a rate that would take most recruiters months to match.

She even sends customized follow-up emails.

Perhaps more compelling for clients is that Vera works full time for free and never burns out.

Officially known as "Robot Vera," the master recruiter is an artificially intelligent software technology that uses machine learning, allowing it to refine its conversational skills with more practice. At the moment, Vera is being employed by several hundred Russian companies to simplify the ongoing hunt for new hires, according to Alexei Kostarev, 38, who co-founded Robot Vera with several partners in 2017.

"We wanted to create something that functioned like Uber for job recruitment, but instead of calling a car, a company would be able to call a pool of people looking for a job," said Kostarev, who compares the sound of Vera's voice to that of Siri or Alexa. "Right now, we have 200 companies using Robot Vera, which means the software is conducting about 50,000 interviews a day."

Vera has the ability to speak Russian or English at different speeds and sound like a man or a woman, depending on her employer's preference, Kostarev said. He said the software is most effective for companies engaged in mass recruitment for blue-collar jobs, such as sales clerks and construction workers. The company's clients include retail and distribution companies and banks, Kostarev said.

The process starts when companies provide Vera with a job description and interview questions tailored to their employee search. The robot is linked

to sites with job postings such as CareerBuilder, Avito and Superjob, allowing her to review online resumes and cover letters and match them with job openings. Once a match occurs, Vera calls the candidate.

"When you answer the phone, she says 'Hi, my name is Vera, and I am a robot — are you still looking for a job?'" Kostarev said. "If the answer is 'yes,' Vera can conduct an interview over the phone or by video interview."

Interviews last about eight minutes. Vera is also often able to answer candidates' questions as well, Kostarev said. Right now, he noted, the software is able to respond accurately 82 percent of the time, a number the company expects to increase to 85 percent in the next few months. Afterward, promising candidates are passed to human recruiters.

Kostarev said many resumes posted to job sites belong to people who are no longer looking for employment. Human recruiters waste hours filtering through candidates who aren't available. Kostarev said recruiters must make 100 phone calls just to get 20 eligible candidates.

"Every year we receive thousands of resumes from people willing to work at IKEA Retail Russia," said IKEA spokeswoman Daniela Rogosic, noting that the company used the software for a pilot program in Moscow last fall. "The initial selection is very extensive work requiring significant time resources from our HR specialists. This was what drove the idea to try the new approach and use Robot Vera."

Kostarev said Vera's inventors have been surprised that candidates are often more willing to offer candid criticism about job openings with Vera than they are with human recruiters. And yet, Kostarev said, he still sees a vital role for human recruiters and face-to-face interviews.

"As far as searches for executive hires, I don't see any opportunities for the robot to do that job," he said. "Humans can do it much better."

Some dog breeds may be excluded

United, from Page 1

One possible factor: United had been willing to accept some animals other airlines didn't. Some, like JetBlue Airways and Southwest Airlines, only transport pets customers can bring in the cabin. Others, like American Airlines, limit travel during extreme temperatures and don't let passengers check certain breeds thought to be susceptible to breathing problems.

United also had restrictions, but the list of breeds it banned outright had been shorter than other carriers'.

When United begins accepting new reservations for pets — on June 18, for pets traveling after July 9 in cargo holds on the same flight as their owners, or later in July for pets traveling alone — it will only accept cats and dogs, although some types of dogs and cats will not be allowed

in cargo holds due to concerns about risks to animals' health. The banned dogs and cats are snub-nosed and strong-jawed breeds, such as Cavalier King Charles spaniels and Burmese cats. Six types of bulldogs and 18 types of mastiffs also are banned.

United will also no longer transport pets through airports in Las Vegas; Palm Springs, Calif.; Phoenix; and Tucson, Ariz. between May 1 and Sept. 30 because they are more likely to see extreme temperatures. Pets that require crates taller than 30 inches can no longer fly United. Owners also can't book pets on routes with more than two connections.

The airline already has added some oversight to the PetSafe program, including requiring the presence of a more senior employee when pets are being loaded on a plane, United spokesman Charles Hobart said.

"The overwhelming majority of pets get to where they need to be safely and in comfort. What we want to do is further minimize that risk," he said.

United said it will be working with the American Humane organization on pet handling policies and practices, including those covering pets traveling in the cabin with their owners.

"As we continue our review process to ensure that we are always doing what's right, we are committed to making significant improvements in our program and adhering to the best practices of animal comfort, well-being and travel on behalf of our customers and their pets," said Jan Krems, United's vice president of cargo.

What the changes mean for the airline's business isn't clear. United couldn't say how many of the 138,178 animals transported in the cargo com-

partment last year belonged to species or breeds it will no longer fly.

Some of those animals could end up on private flights, said Geoff Villano, senior vice president of sales and operations at charter flight booking service PrivateFly.

So far this year, about 3 percent of PrivateFly bookings have included animals, up from 2 percent last year, and about 22 percent of inquiries involved an animal, up from 15 percent in 2017, Villano said.

"There is a market that's out there," he said.

But PrivateFly acknowledges it's not an option for all pet owners. A one-way flight from New York to Miami might run \$12,000 to \$15,000, Villano said — a much steeper fee than the \$348 United would charge for a 50- to 70-pound pet.

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Cook County selling nearly 3,200 lots

Vacant lots, from Page 1

in acquiring the properties it has the authority to clear back taxes and other related fees to help eliminate barriers to buying the properties.

As of Tuesday afternoon, the land bank had the tax certificates for 7,638 vacant lots, 739 residential properties and 306 industrial and commercial properties.

The land bank acquires the tax certificates for the properties first, and then after a redemption period when the owner has a chance to pay the overdue

taxes, the land bank can transfer the deed to a buyer. Vacant lots are often transferred within six months, and owners of tax delinquent buildings have 2½ years to pay the overdue amount before they lose the deed, according to Rob Rose, executive director of the land bank.

"In these neighborhoods, without this sort of intervention there is no market force that allows for a reset of these properties," Rose said. "We have properties that are vacant and the tax burden is increasing every year and new taxes

owed every year. The thing that makes them unattractive in the first place is the taxes are higher than the value of the property. At one point there's never a way for these to be turned around. We are resetting these properties and allowing these neighborhoods to receive investment."

The program is similar to the city's Large Lots Program, which slashes red tape and encourages community members to buy vacant, blighted properties for just \$1 and redevelop them.

Potential buyers of lots in

Chicago are required to provide a letter of support from the local alderman if they don't live in the same ward as the property. Buyers of suburban properties must have the support of the municipality if the purchaser is not local.

The land bank also is offering commercial and industrial properties.

The lots available for sale can be found at www.cookcountylandbank.org/taxcertifiedprogram.

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Expansion aimed at smaller cities ignored by on-demand boom

Grubhub, from Page 1

food ordering and delivery, Maloney said.

The company's revenues were \$232.6 million in the first quarter, a 49 percent increase from the same period last year. Its daily orders were up 35 percent from the first quarter of 2017.

Despite the strong earn-

ings, Grubhub's stock dropped more than 8 percent Tuesday to close at \$92.65 a share. The increase in daily orders missed some analysts' estimates.

Some analysts turned bearish on the company's stock after it neared the triple-digit price range earlier this year.

Competitor Uber Eats is

gaining market share, analysts noted.

Maloney said the food delivery industry could reach \$200 billion and Grubhub has not been affected by competition.

"Our industry is barely scratching the surface," he said.

There's no shortage of activity in the food delivery

business, with investors watching the cost and pace of existing companies' expansion, said Jeremy Scott, a research analyst who covers Grubhub at investment bank Mizuho Securities. The market could winnow down to three players over time, and Grubhub will be one of them, he said.

Partnerships with na-

tional chains have accelerated consolidation in market share among the top players. That's likely to continue, Scott said.

The services with higher delivery fees will likely face some headwinds. In smaller cities where food delivery services are expanding, the median household income is lower, and customers won't

be willing to pay high delivery charges, Scott said. The majority of restaurants listed on Grubhub can be delivered for less than \$4 in most markets, according to Mizuho's research.

"That, to me, is the winning formula," Scott said.

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U.S., Chinese officials to tackle tech, trade

Sides aiming to ease rising tensions amid economic tug of war

BY JESSICA MEYERS
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BEIJING — Chinese state media filled with images last week of President Xi Jinping, high above the Yangtze River, peering through binoculars at the world's largest dam. He couldn't have found a larger prop.

"Just think if we had relied on outside help to build the Three Gorges Dam!" official outlets quoted Xi as saying.

As President Donald Trump's economic advisers travel to Beijing this week, that desire for self-reliance is key to the trade tensions. While China wants to end dependence on foreign technology, White House officials charge it's trying to control the future of cutting-edge industries.

Xi's pointed comment



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U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer will be part of a team traveling to Beijing to discuss tariffs and trade.

followed the Trump administration's recent decision to ban U.S. companies from doing business with ZTE, China's second-largest maker of telecom equipment, for seven years. The move effectively cripples a company that uses Qualcomm's microprocessors and Google's Android op-

erating system.

The U.S. team arriving to discuss this Thursday includes Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer, Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, trade adviser Peter Navarro and economic adviser Larry Kudlow. Beijing hasn't an-

nounced who will lead the Chinese side, but it will presumably include Xi's top economic adviser, Liu He, who visited the White House in March.

Both sides will seek to avert a trade war. But disagreements over China's increasing tech prowess — reinforced by the ZTE case — could stymie a deal.

"I don't think we're going to see a breakthrough," said Chen Dingding, a professor of international relations at Jinan University in Guangzhou. "It isn't about one country violating the rules; it's really about the competition between these two countries."

ZTE's run-in with the U.S. government started before the trade dispute. The company agreed to pay \$1.19 billion last year for violating U.S. sanctions by shipping telecom equipment to Iran and North Korea. The Commerce Department now says the Shenzhen-based firm misled authorities and failed to

punish all responsible.

Commerce officials denied the ZTE ban was related to an investigation into the country's intellectual property practices. But it fits into the administration's focus on China's tech ambitions, including proposed U.S. tariffs on \$50 billion in Chinese goods such as aircraft parts and medical devices. The Justice Department is exploring whether Huawei, ZTE's larger rival, violated U.S. sanctions tied to Iran, according to the Wall Street Journal, and the trade agency is considering an investigation into its cloud computing practices.

These actions would hit at the heart of Made in China 2025, the country's blueprint to create an economy built on electric cars, microchips and other advanced manufacturing.

The ZTE response underscores China's dedication to not only develop next generation technologies, but also set the stand-

ards for them. Trump's advisers view this as a national security threat.

Officials have accused China of forcing American companies to reveal trade secrets for access to the world's largest population. They fear leaders also will heavily subsidize key industries, leading to dominance in crucial sectors.

"These are things that if China dominates the world, it's bad for America," Lighthizer told a Senate committee in March.

But U.S. officials don't agree on how to respond, making this week's meetings even more uncertain.

"The best one can expect from the visit ... is a greater appreciation by China of the depth of American concern," said Scott Kennedy, a China expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

Staff writers Kemeng Fen and Nicole Liu in Beijing contributed.

As herb grows, so does concern

Wis. ginseng farms brace for effects of Chinese tariff

BY CAITLIN DEWEY
The Washington Post

MARATHON COUNTY, Wis. — There are ginseng farms in this remote corner of Wisconsin where phones are answered in Mandarin. Others have opened storefronts or retrofitted spare rooms to welcome busloads of Chinese tourists and business people.

This rural area built an important local industry as a purveyor of a premium product for China's rising middle class, where its ginseng is sold in boxes bearing the American flag and the line, "Something Special from Wisconsin."

Now trade tensions between the United States and China threaten a niche market that employs hundreds of workers and supports dozens of family farms in a rural community where other options are limited.

The uncertainty surrounding Wisconsin's ginseng industry exemplifies the unforeseen consequences of President Donald Trump's trade policies in a complex and globalized economy. It also could foreshadow harms to a range of specialized products across rural America, from lobsters in coastal Maine to macadamia nuts in Hawaii, that cater to China's expanding middle class.

In central Wisconsin, U.S. brokers are monitoring the Chinese market for a decline in sales after China imposed a 15 percent tariff on ginseng, part of its response to steel tariffs levied by Trump.

Some say importers already have demanded price concessions at a time when many farms are barely clearing production costs.

Ginseng exports are a \$30 million industry in Marathon County, and local economists estimate that each new job in ginseng creates as many as four additional jobs.

"Americans are the losers in all this," said Mike Klemp-North, the director of operations at Hsu's Ginseng Enterprises, the county's second-largest ginseng farm.



Employees prepare tea packages at Hsu's Ginseng Enterprises in Wausau, Wis. Ginseng exports are a \$30 million industry in Marathon County.

"Americans are the losers in all this. This is one product we had, of all the products we trade, that the Chinese really wanted from us."

— Mike Klemp-North, the director of operations at Hsu's Ginseng Enterprises, the county's second-largest ginseng farm

At Hsu's sprawling operation, more than 100 full-time workers bustled around on a recent off-season afternoon — tuning up machinery, packing tea bags into boxes, and "cruising," or sorting, barrels of roots.

Chinese-language catalogs and calendars flank the entrance to the farm's retail office. A conference room is decorated with laminated clippings from Chinese newspapers, as well as framed photos of company founder Paul Hsu meeting executives from Alibaba, a Chinese e-commerce giant, and Foxconn, the assembler of Apple's iPhone that last year announced plans for a plant in Wisconsin.

Foxconn recently promised to help local growers market ginseng in Asia, a collaboration that devel-

oped after Chief Executive Terry Gou began buying it.

In the past four years, Hsu's has added four automated field machines worth about \$100,000 apiece and a \$1.9 million processing facility, allowing the farm to ship more and better product, farm manager Nick Sandquist said.

At 46 years old, Hsu's Ginseng is among Marathon County's youngest ginseng farms. Many of the region's 180 small growers have been built up over four or five generations, largely on the strength of trade with China.

Historically, middle- and upper-class Chinese consumers have given the pungent root as gifts, or used it to brew teas and broths believed to confer a range of health benefits. As the Chinese middle class has

grown, however, so has the demand for Wisconsin ginseng — from bitter candies to K-cups.

According to the Ginseng and Herb Co-Op, a local nonprofit cooperative that represents growers, ginseng production has risen at a rate of about 10 percent for each of the past five years.

But since ginseng became entangled in a budding U.S.-China trade war, that trajectory has grown complicated.

"I'm worried. I'm worried for my son," said Sandquist's father, Ron Sandquist, who served as farm manager for 30 years before retiring 10 years ago. "If it all goes haywire, they have a lot of money invested."

Farmers here say they fear that crisis may be drawing close. On April 1, China placed a 15 percent tariff on American ginseng, along with tariffs on 127 other U.S. products.

The dispute began in March, when Trump announced tariffs on foreign steel and aluminum, later exempting U.S. allies but not China. In subsequent rounds of tit-for-tat retaliations, Trump proposed additional levies on Chinese electronics, aerospace and machinery products, while China targeted ginseng, soybeans, corn, pork, fruit and nuts.

Agricultural groups have warned that the tariffs could significantly damage the farm economy. But the injury may prove especially grievous in Marathon County, where an entire industry depends in large part on trade with China.

In 2017, direct sales to

China accounted for \$14.1 million, or nearly half, of Wisconsin's ginseng trade, according to the state department of agriculture. Hong Kong, which acts as a gateway to the Chinese market, accounted for an additional 41 percent, with smaller sales to Canada, Singapore and Taiwan making up the remainder.

That money doesn't just end up in farmers' pockets: A network of farmworkers, brokers and bilingual salespeople has grown around the industry. According to one analysis by economists at the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, ginseng production generates \$43 million in local economic activity annually.

"If you lose even a little bit of demand, it starts falling apart," said Russell Kashian, the lead author of the UW analysis.

"It's not a huge crop, but it is locally significant," he added. "It supports a couple hundred jobs... in a county that isn't very wealthy to begin with."

Twitter says it sold data access to Cambridge University academic

BY SELINA WANG
Bloomberg News

Twitter Inc. sold data access to the Cambridge University academic who also obtained millions of Facebook users' information that was later passed to a political consulting firm without the users' consent.

Aleksandr Kogan, who created a personality quiz on Facebook to harvest information later used by Cambridge Analytica, established his own commercial enterprise, Global Sci-

ence Research, or GSR. That firm was granted access to large-scale public Twitter data, covering months of posts, for one day in 2015, according to Twitter.

"In 2015, GSR did have one-time API access to a random sample of public tweets from a five-month period from December 2014 to April 2015," Twitter said in a statement on Bloomberg. "Based on



the recent reports, we conducted our own internal review and did not find any access to private data about people who use Twitter."

The company has removed Cambridge Analytica and affiliated entities as advertisers. Twitter said GSR paid for the access; it provided no further details. The U.K.-based Telegraph earlier reported that Twitter sold data to Kogan, who

told the newspaper that he was in compliance with Twitter's policies but didn't elaborate on what level of access he received.

Twitter provides certain companies, developers and users with access to public data through its application programming interfaces, or software that requests and delivers information. The company sells the data to organizations, which often use them to analyze events, sentiment or customer service.

Enterprise customers are

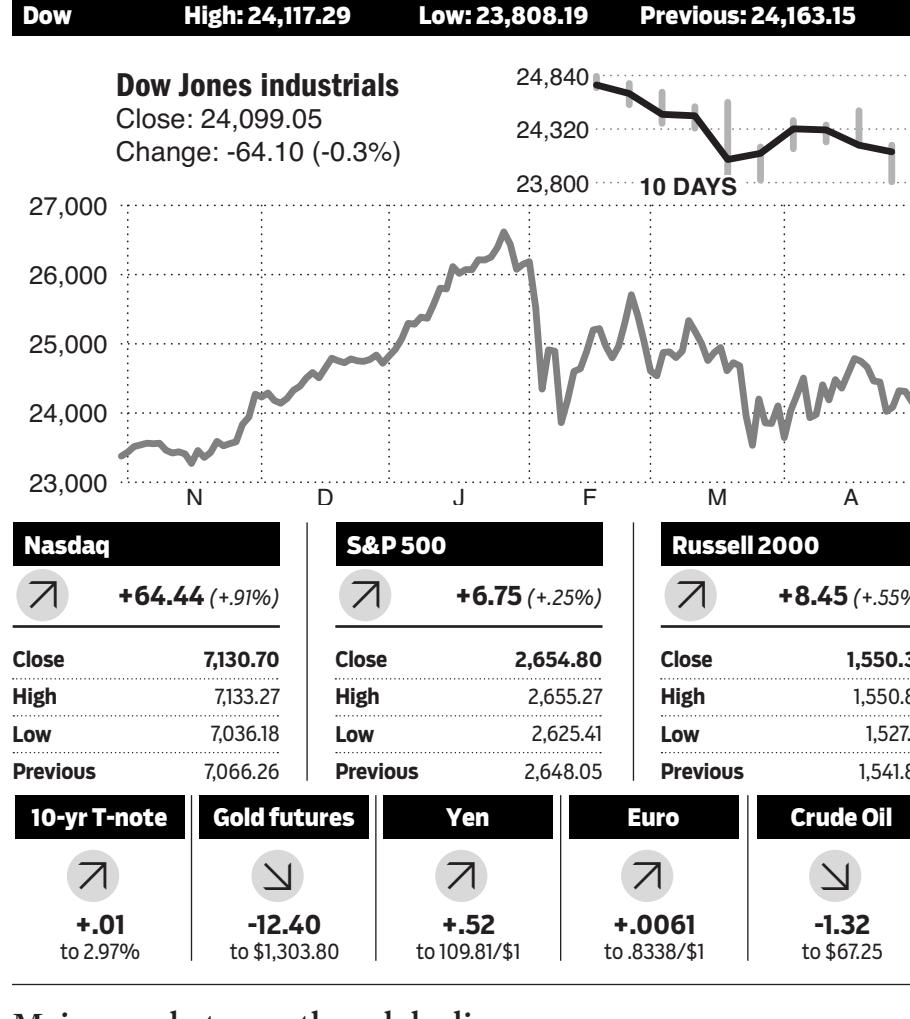
given the broadest data access, which includes the last 30 days of tweets or access to tweets from as far back as 2006. To get that access, the customers must explain how they plan to use the data, and who the end users will be.

Twitter doesn't sell private direct messaging data, and users must opt in to have their tweets include a location. Twitter's "data licensing and other revenue" grew about 20 percent, to \$90 million, in the first quarter.

Social media companies have come under intense scrutiny over reports that Facebook failed to protect the privacy of its users. Companies like Twitter tend to have access to less private information than Facebook. The latter has said that Cambridge Analytica, which worked for President Donald Trump's 2016 campaign, may have harvested data on 87 million users.

About 270,000 people downloaded Kogan's personality quiz app.

MARKET ROUNDUP



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
+.31	+1.76	+.77	+.27	+2.73	+1.54	+15.03	+16.99	+11.03
to 2.97%	-12.40 to \$1,303.80	.52 to 109.81/\$1	.0061 to .8338/\$1	-.0061 to -.8338/\$1	-1.32 to \$67.25			

FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	511.25	529.75	510.25	529.75	+17.25
		Jul 18	512.50	530	506	529.25	+18.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	393	397	391.50	396.75	+4.25
		Jul 18	401	406	399.75	405.75	+5
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	1038.75	1044	1031.25	1042.50	+4.75
		Jul 18	1048.75	1055.50	1041	1053.25	+4.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 18	30.49	30.49	29.95	30.08	-.27
		Jul 18	30.65	30.76	30.15	30.33	-.29
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 18	392.10	404.50	391.60	403.00	+10.90
		Jul 18	393.90	406.10	391.50	404.40	+10.60
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Jun 18	68.56	68.90	66.85	67.25	-1.32
		Jul 18	68.51	68.78	66.77	67.13	-1.35
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Jun 18	2.764	2.820	2.759	2.802	+.039
		Jul 18	2.800	2.854	2.795	2.837	+.037
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Jun 18	2.1300	2.1320	2.0729	2.0876	-.0432
		Jul 18	2.1250	2.1285	2.0716	2.0857	-.0411

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization.

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.				
Abbott Labs	N	58.82	+.69	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	89.65	+.49	MB Financial	O	42.92	+.30
AbbVie Inc	N	102.07	+.52	Equity Residential	N	62.22	+.51	McDonalds Corp	N	163.44	-4.00
Allstate Corp	N	98.20	+.38	Exelon Corp	N	40.15	+.47	Middleby Corp	O	126.98	+1.14
Aptagroup Inc	N	93.54	+.04	First Indl RT	N	30.82	-.29	Mondelez Intl	O	38.99	-.51
Arch Dan Mid	N	45.03	-.35	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec N	N	55.74	+.05	Morningstar Inc	O	109.22	+.64
Baxter Int'l	N	70.15	+.65	Gallagher AJ	N	69.91	-.08	Motorola Solutions	N	108.48	-1.35
Boeing Co	N	329.54	-4.02	Grainger WW	N	281.94	+.59	NiSource Inc	N	24.52	+.13
Brunswick Corp	O	60.51	+.63	GrubHub Inc	N	92.65	-.849	Nthn Trust Cp	O	105.91	-.84
CBOE Global Markets	O	107.29	+.51	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	86.40	+.57	Old Republic	O	20.47	+.07
CDK Global Inc	O	65.25	+.01	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	76.93	+.06	Packaging Corp Am	N	116.33	+.64
CDW Corp	O	72.37	+.108	IDEX Corp	N	133.34	-.32	Stericycle Inc	O	58.69	-.02
CF Industries	N	38.67	-.13	ITW	N	144.00	+.198	TransUnion	N	65.55	+.64
CME Group	O	156.50	+.22	Ingridion Inc	N	120.65	-.44	USG Corp	N	42.00	+1.77
CNA Financial	N	50.47	+.01	John Bean Technol	N	108.75	+.00	Ulti Salon Cosmetics	O	250.62	-.29
Caterpillar Inc	N	144.42	+.06	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	171.78	+.227	Ventas Inc	N	52.41	+.99
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.56	-.51	KapStone Paper	N	34.41	-.01	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	65.42	-1.03
Deere Co	N	135.37	+.04	Kemper Corp	N	69.15	+.165	Wintrust Financial	O	91.04	+.159
Discover Fin Svcs	N	70.52	-.73	Kraft Heinz Co	O	55.70	-.68	Zebra Tech	O	136.78	+.195
Dover Corp	N	91.85	-.85	LKQ Corporation	O	30.27	-.75				
Equity Commonwealth	N	31.19	+.20	Littelfuse Inc	O	186.59	-.33				

Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Ford Motor	11.26	+.02
Bank of America	29.95	+.03
Gen Electric	14.05	-.02
Snap Inc A	14.13	-.20
Pfizer Inc	35.40	-.12
Sprint Corp	5.42	-.19
nVent Electric plc	22.72	...
AT&T Inc	32.54	-.16
Chesapeake Enrgy	2.98	+.01
AK Steel Hold	4.32	-.27
Twitter Inc	30.30	-.01
McDermott Int'l	6.76	+.16
Marathon Petroleum	72.90	-.20
US Steel Corp	32.19	-.16
Freeport McMoRan	14.95	-.26
Tapestry Inc	47.46	-.61
Knowles Corp	12.64	-.16
EnCana Corp	12.57	+.09
Hanesbrands Inc	17.73	-.74
Verizon Comm	48.82	-.53
Under Armour Inc	18.03	+.27
Teva Pharm	13.74	+.73
Vale SA	13.54	-.30
Transocean Ltd	12.03	-.34

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hdq	179.50	+.96
Alphabet Inc C	1037.31	+19.98
Alphabet Inc A	1040.75	+22.17
Amazon.com Inc	1582.26	+16.13
Apple Inc	169.10	+.34
Bank of America	29.95	+.03
Berkshire Hath B	195.11	+1.38
Chevron Corp	124.86	-.18
Exxon Mobil Corp	76.95	-.80
Facebook Inc	173.86	+.186
Intel Corp	53.33	+.171
Johnson & Johnson	162.01	-.48
Microsoft Corp	95.00	+.148
Royal Dutch Shell B	71.54	-.88
Royal Dutch Shell A	69.05	-.85
Visa Inc	127.51	+.63
Walmart Strs	87.41	-.04
Wells Fargo & Co	52.56	+.60

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RETN
American Funds AMCPa m	32.94	+.09	+18.5
American Funds ArmcnBalA m	26.82	+.01	+8.7
American			

OBITUARIES

JAMES H. CONE 1938-2018

Minister founded black liberation theology

BY HARRISON SMITH

The Washington Post

In the late 1960s, the Rev. James H. Cone later recalled, "I was within inches of leaving the Christian faith." He had spent a decade immersed in theology — poring over the teachings of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, studying for a doctorate and closely following the sermons and speeches of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., whose non-violent civil rights tactics were informed by his ministry.

Then he heard Malcolm X.

The Black Power leader proclaimed that "Christianity is the white man's religion," one that encouraged African-Americans to wait patiently for a "milk and honey" heaven, and called for blacks to fight for their rights "by any means necessary." His assassination in 1965, followed by the killing of King three years later, plunged Cone into what he described as a full-fledged spiritual crisis.

To gather his thoughts, he traveled to Little Rock, Ark., and all but locked himself inside the church office of his older brother, a fellow minister. Six weeks later, he emerged with a new perspective, dubbed black liberation theology, that sought to reconcile the fiery cultural criticism of Malcolm X with the Christian message of King.

Through books such as "Black Theology & Black Power" (1969), "A Black Theology of Liberation" (1970) and "God of the Oppressed" (1975), Cone "changed the way we do theology," said the Rev. Kelly Brown Douglas, a professor at Union Theological Seminary in Manhattan, where Cone was long on the faculty.

Cone, she said, centered the Gospels on racial justice and later on the struggles for gender and class equality. "He could not understand how anyone could do Christian theology in America without talking about the black struggle for freedom, and how anyone could do Christian theology in general without talking about the oppressed."

"When crucifixion is at the center of the faith," said Douglas, who is also dean of Union's Episcopal Divinity School, "you have to talk about the crucified classes of people."



UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

James H. Cone said God identified with African-Americans and the poor.

Cone, who upended America's theological establishment when he argued that God had a "radical identification" with African-Americans and poor peoples across the globe, died Saturday at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in Manhattan, Douglas said. He was 79.

In his writings, Cone suggested that God was black — an argument that was famously advanced by his 19th-century predecessor Henry McNeal Turner, who spurned the traditional image of Jesus as a blond, white-skinned prophet.

Cone "wasn't arguing that God was physically black, or that only black people were righteous," said Anthony Pinn, a religion professor at Rice University.

"He was arguing that Christians — white, black, purple, red — have to be committed to racial justice. That whites in their churches have to be committed to racial justice, or they need to call themselves something different."

While Cone's theology was founded on a King-like embrace of love and acceptance, he was fiercely critical of white churches and theologians, telling The New York Times in 1969 that "white theology is basically racist and non-Christian." He once called himself "the angriest theologian in America," and explained that he was driven to rage by the failure of leading white theologians to forcefully condemn institutional racism, and especially lynching.

In part, his anger was driven by the fact that his father, a laborer who once sued to desegregate the local school district in Arkansas, was nearly the victim of racial violence. Cone recalled that his father once picked up a shotgun when

he was told that a lynch mob would run him out of his house. "Let them come," he said, "because some of them will die with me."

James Hal Cone was born in Fordyce, a small town in central Arkansas, on Aug. 5, 1938. He was raised in nearby Bearden and said he was called to the ministry at 16.

He graduated in 1958 from Philander Smith College, a historically black college in Little Rock, and three years later earned a bachelor of divinity degree from Garrett Theological Seminary (now Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary) in Evanston.

Cone earned a master's in divinity in 1963 and a doctorate in 1965, both from Northwestern University, and was teaching at Adrian College in Michigan when his political views began to shift toward the Black Power movement.

According to Dwight Hopkins, a theology professor at the University of Chicago, Cone was the first to publish books of liberation theology — works "that said the heart of Jesus Christ ... is liberation of the economically poor." He was soon followed by Catholic theologians such as Gustavo Gutierrez, who called for the emancipation of the poor in Latin America.

Cone's wife, the former Sandra Gibson, died in 1983. Survivors include two children from an earlier marriage, Charles Cone and Michael Cone; two children with Gibson, Robynn Cone and Krystal Cone; a brother; and two grandchildren.

In recent years, Cone continued to speak out against racial inequality, appearing at rallies and broadening his writings to cover the experience of women, whom he said he had overlooked in his early work. He remained hopeful, he said, that "together we can create a society and world not defined by white supremacy."

"Hope," he told the Jesuit magazine America in 2006, "is found where two or three small groups of people ... become willing to bear witness to the Gospel's transcending racial bonding and move toward human bonding. We need some signs of that transcending. Where will they come from if not from the church? And how will these signs be expressed, except by preachers and priests and rabbis?"

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wanted man in the world for his role in the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and other acts of global terrorism, was shot to death by an elite team of U.S. commandos that stormed a compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan.

In 2013 North Korea sentenced Kenneth Bae, a tour operator from Washington state, to 15 years of hard labor for what Pyongyang described as an attempt to overthrow its government.

In 2016 passengers aboard Carnival Cruise Line's Adonia became the first in nearly 40 years to cruise from the U.S. to Cuba, where they were welcomed by live music and dancing inside Havana's single state-run cruise terminal.

In 2011 al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, the most

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ON MAY 2 ...

In 1863 Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was accidentally wounded by his own men at Chancellorsville, Va.; he died eight days later.

In 1936 "Peter and the Wolf," a symphonic tale for children by Sergei Prokofiev, had its world premiere in Moscow.

In 1945 the Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin, and the Allies announced the surrender of Nazi troops in Italy and parts of Austria.

In 1965 the "Early Bird" satellite was used to transmit television pictures across the Atlantic.

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Marco, Connie M.

81, of Mesa, AZ passed away on April 11, 2018. Born Dec. 1936 in Chicago IL to the late John & Mae Conrad. Preceded in death by her husband of 60 yrs. Thomas C Marco. Loving mother to Thomas J Marco, Chris (John) Lansing, Connie (CJ) (Frank) Prag, beloved grandmother to Nicole and Johnny Lansing and Alissa Marco, great grandmother to Jackson Lansing, adopted grandmother to Danna Johnson-Tucker and Gage Tucker, sister to Jill DiFoggio and large extended family in Chicago. Connie owned and operated Connie's Ceramic & Dolls for many years in Mesa, AZ. She loved going to the casino, quilting, sewing, embroidery and most of all, her family! A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday May 19, 2018 at Central Christian Church (Mesa Campus) Chapel located at 933 N. Lindsay Rd. Mesa, AZ 85213.

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Matker, Carol A.

Carol A. (nee Kocinski) Matker, 79 of Prospect Heights. Beloved wife of Donald Matker; loving mother of Mark (Roxani) Matker, Paul (Debbie) Matker, Nancy (Pat) Conklin, Donald (Andrea) Matker, Christine (Michael) Gilbert and Carolyn (Fred) Larson; cherished grandmother of Michael, Matthew, Catherine, Joseph, Lauren, Megan, Elizabeth, Kenneth, Jason, Madeline, Hannah, Allison, Gwendolyn, Joshua, Thaddeus and the late Evelyn; fond sister of late Russell Kocinski and late Wayne (Janice) Kocinski; dear niece of Alice Rzeszut. Visitation Thursday from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd., 1520 N. Arlington Heights Road, (4 blocks south of Palatine Road) Arlington Heights and Friday at St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church, 411 N. Wheeling Road, Prospect Heights from 9:30 am until the time of mass at 10:30 am. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Funeral info. & condolences www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168



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McGeehan, Anna M. 'Nancy'

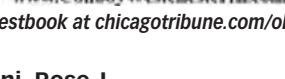
Anna M. "Nancy" McGeehan, Age 76, Born into Eternal Life on April 30, 2018. Cherished daughter of the late Mary (nee Godfrey) and Thomas McGeehan. Beloved cousin of John P. (Helen) McGeehan, the late John J. (the late Patricia) McGeehan, and the late Mary Therese (Larry) Jensen. Anna was also dearly loved by her many cousins, godchildren, and countless friends. Dearest friend to Merryle Simon. She was a dedicated teacher with the Chicago Board of Education for over 30 years. Active Parishioner and Extraordinary Minister at St. Germaine Church. Visitation Thursday 3-9pm at Curley Funeral Home (Heeney-Laughlin Directors) 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415. Family and friends will meet at St. Germaine Church, 95th St. & Kolin Ave., Oak Lawn, IL 60453 on Friday morning for Mass of Christian Burial at 9:30am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to American Cancer Society, 17060 Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL or Misericordia/Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge Ave., Chicago, IL 60660 are most appreciated. Info: Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors 708-636-5500 or www.heeneyfh.com



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Morehead, Yvonne C.

Yvonne C. Morehead, nee Clark, of Galesburg, IL, formerly of Westchester, age 91. Beloved wife of the late John O.; loving mother of Mark, Melissa (the late Terry) Ruehmer and Mollie Wassner; grandmother of Katie (Bradley) Denisar, Adam (Dana Cole) Ruehmer and Jonathan (Kelly), Jeremy (Kelley) and Joel Wassner; great-grandmother of seven; cherished daughter of the late Katherine and Leslie Clark. Graduate of Texas Christian University. After raising her children, Yvonne worked at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary; was a charter member of the First Baptist Church of Westchester; member of the First Baptist Church of Oak Park and Girl Scouts of America Adult Troop 007 for over 50 yrs. Memorial Visitation will be held on Friday, May 4, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. until time of chapel service 2:00 p.m. at Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.). Interment Private. Memorials to Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago & Western Indiana Camp Scholarships, Attn: Pat Broughton, 20 S. Clark St., Unit 200, Chicago, IL 60603 appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.



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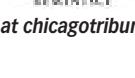
Moschini, Rose J.

Rose J. Moschini, Age 89, nee Mugavero. Beloved wife of the late James G. Moschini, Sr. Loving mother of Patrice (Jim Bryant) Bedow, Karen Moschini and the late James G. Moschini, Jr. Cherished grandmother of Anthony Moschini, Jeffrey (Laura) Bedow, Scott (Lizbeth) Bedow, Julianna Moschini and Gina Bedow. Devoted great grandmother, sister and aunt to many. Visitation Thursday May 3 from 3 to 8:00 p.m. at The Oaks Funeral Home 1201 E. Irving Park Road (at Prospect), Itasca. Final visitation for family and friends are to meet Friday at Holy Ghost Church, 254 N Wood Dale Rd., Wood Dale, IL commencing at 10:00 a.m. until time of Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 a.m. Entombment Private at Queen of Heaven Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Alzheimer's Association, 8430 W Bryn Mawr Ave #800, Chicago, IL 60631. For information: 630-250-8588 or www.theoaksfh.com

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Motyka, David

David Motyka age 68 of Northlake. Beloved husband of Dorene nee Troogstad for 35 years. Loving dad of Jessica Motyka. Dear papa of Brandon and Rhiley. Fond brother of Dan (Judi) Motyka. Uncle and cousin of many. Memorial Visitation Friday 3 pm at Kolssak Funeral Home, 189 S. Milwaukee Ave. (2 Blocks South of Dundee Road) Wheeling, followed by a Life Celebration Service at 7:00 pm. Inurnment Private. For more information 847.537.6600 or www.funerals.pro



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Newton, Anne O'Conor

Anne O'Conor Newton, Tucson, Arizona, passed away on April 27th 2018. The ultimate matriarch of her family, she was mother to nine children: Kathy Rodman, Nonie Riley (Rob), Dennis Newton (Judy), Anne "Frosty" Paone, Teddy Leonard (Andy), Nick Newton (Jill), Mary Hoffman (Mark), Meg Satherlie (Graham) and Chrissie Mena (Rey); twenty-one grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren, with two more 'greats' on the way this year. She was preceded in death by the love of her life and husband of 67 years, E. William "Bill" Newton, son Dennis Newton, sister Mary Ellen 'Met' McNulty (Jim) and brother Dr. Vincent O'Conor (Jo). Born in Chicago and raised in Winnetka, Illinois, Anne received her degree in Elementary Education from National Louis University and taught at Crow Island School in Winnetka prior to raising her large family. Anne loved to write and in her 50s started writing poetry and lyrics. She was proud of becoming published and of her membership in ASCAP.

A lifelong learner, she continued to take classes on a broad spectrum of subjects. She loved gardening and was president of her garden club for a few terms. She was insatiably curious, an avid reader and started each day with the New York Times crossword puzzle. She also enjoyed challenging her children and grandchildren to Scrabble games during cocktail hour.

Anne raised her family in Golf, Glencoe and eventually Northfield, Illinois, where she designed and built a large welcoming home for her family and their many friends. Having been a camp counselor and swimming instructor in her youth, she amazed her children with her spectacular diving ability at Middlefork Club.

Anne genuinely loved people and celebrations. She was an expert entertainer hosting hundreds of gatherings large and small including legendary Christmas Eve parties, weddings and birthday festivities. She had a way of making everyone feel incredibly special.

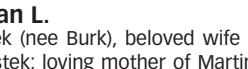
Her family is grateful to the dignified care she received in the past few months from Casa De La Luz Foundation (Hospice). Anne will be laid to rest with her husband at Fort Sheridan Cemetery in Lake Forest, Illinois at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations, can be made in her name:

Casa De La Luz Foundation (Hospice) 7740 North Oracle Road Tucson, Arizona 85704 <http://www.casafoundation.org/ways-to-give/donations>

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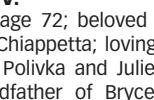
Ivica Penavic, age 76; loving husband of Frida Penavic, nee Kadic; loving father of Hrvoslav Tin (Leslie) and Ivica Francis (Maria) Penavic. Grandfather of Lucas Ante, Ellie Rose, Ivo Augustin, Adriën Blaise and Daniel Francis. Dear brother of Krunko (Anika) Penavic, Nikica (Emilia) Jazvo and Jadranka (Ivan) Vukova. Visitation Friday, May 4th, 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home, 4343 Main St., (1 blk. S. of Ogden) Downers Grove. Funeral Saturday, May 5th, family and friends to meet for a 10:00 AM Funeral Mass at St. Jerome Church, 2823 S. Princeton, Chicago. Entombment Clarendon Hills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105 www.stjude.org 630-968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com



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Pistek, Joan L.

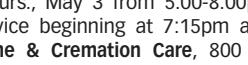
Joan L. Pistek (nee Burk), beloved wife of the late Henry M. Pistek; loving mother of Martin (Patricia), Eric (Mary), Linda (Mark) Braschler, Andrew CFD and Roy Pistek; dear grandmother of Eric (Mallory), Claire (fiancée Alex), Brenton (Ashley), Grace (Josh) Simpson, Samantha, Trevor (Marjorie) Valerie and Alex; dearest great grandmother of Parker and Hayley. Visitation Thursday 3 to 9 PM. Funeral service Friday morning at Lawn Funeral Home 7909 State Road (5500 W) Burbank, IL 60459. Interment Private. Funeral Info: 708-636-2320



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Polivka, Jon V.

Jon V. Polivka, age 72; beloved husband of Carol J. Polivka, nee Chiappetta; loving father of Stanley D. (Kellie Mills) Polivka and Julie (Michael) Guinta; cherished grandfather of Bryce, Dylan, Braeden, Lexi, and Maddie Polivka, Kylie, Allie and Kennedy Guinta and Gabbie Schwerin; dearest son of the late Elmer and Irene Polivka; fond brother of Jane (Carmen) Carrino and the late Joseph E. Polivka. Visitation Friday, May 4th, 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM, with a 7:30 PM Prayer Service at Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home, 4343 Main St. (1 blk. So. of Ogden Ave.) Downers Grove. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Rush University Medical Center for lung cancer research. Please send memorial gifts to Rush University Medical Center, 1201 West Harrison St., Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60607 or visit <http://rush.convio.net/jpolivka> are appreciated. 630-968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com



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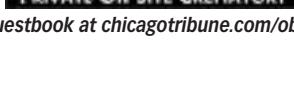
Family and friends of James Resner, 83, a resident of Elk Grove Village for 39 years, will gather for visitation Thurs., May 3 from 5:00-8:00pm with a Funeral Service beginning at 7:15pm at Michaels Funeral Home & Cremation Care, 800 S. Roselle Rd., Schaumburg. Interment will be private at St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles.

Born Dec. 3, 1934 in Chicago to the late Stanley and the late Marie (nee Tulik) he passed away peacefully April 30, 2018 in Elk Grove Village. He was a longtime member of St. Julian Eymard Church in Elk Grove Village. James was the adoring husband of 41 years to Bernadette (nee Comber); he was preceded in death by his brothers Edmund, Leonard and Richard. Fond uncle and dear friend to many. He will be missed by all those whose lives he touched. In lieu of flowers, memorial masses would be appreciated. For information call 847-891-2900 or for virtual guestbook www.michaelsfh.com

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Sennese, Roelina G. 'Ruth'

Roelina G. "Ruth" Sennese, nee Koenes, age 95, beloved wife of the late Anthony Sennese (1999) and the late Lewis Gulyardi (1952). Loving mother of Hilda (Larry) Merwin and Angeline (Bruce) Vogel. Cherished grandmother of Jeff (Elizabeth) Merwin, Rev. Tim (Kim) Merwin, Jay (Jilliane) Vogel and Joel Vogel. Dearest great-grandmother of six. Fond sister of the late Lena Randolph, Emma Kraay and Margaret Nannfeldt. Dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday, May 6, 2018 from 3-8 p.m. Funeral Service Monday, May 7, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at Colonial Chapel, 15525 S. 73rd Ave. (155th/Wheeler Dr. & Harlem) Orland Park, IL. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Evergreen Park, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials to The Stone Church, 10737 Orland Parkway, Orland Park, IL 60467 are appreciated. Express your thoughts and condolences at colonialchapel.com 708-532-5400



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Sherman, Lawrence A.

Lawrence "Larry" A. Sherman, born 9/13/1930 at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Beloved husband of the late Elaine N. Sherman (nee Goldenberg); loving son of the late Robert, DDS and Florence Sherman; proud father of Roger (Jennifer Schab), Stephanie (Danny Miles), Bruce (Joan) and Carolyn (Juan Carlos Gutierrez); cherished Zayne of Emma, Kate, Olive, and Lucy; dear brother of Millicent (late Armand) White; caring brother-in-law of Edward (Marilyn) Goldenberg; close uncle of Janice (Robert) Hartman and Jill (Donald) Resnick. Larry was a graduate of Austin High School, the University of Illinois, and Wharton Graduate School. He was the founder of Puritan Finance Corporation. He was the past Board Chairman of Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center, the American Hospital Publishing Company, Midwest Finance Conference, America- Israel Chamber of Commerce, and Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute. In addition, he held Board leadership positions at the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati Board of Overseers, North Shore Congregation Israel, and Mount Sinai Endowment Fund. Funeral service Thursday, May 3, 11 AM, at North Shore Congregation Israel, 1185 Sheridan Rd, Glencoe. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to North Shore Congregation Israel or the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago. For info: 847-256-5700.

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Sluis, Bernard C.

Bernard C. Sluis. Born August 7, 1946 in Delft, The Netherlands. His family came to the U.S. in December of 1948. They lived in Chicago until 1951 when his father built their own home in Mokena, IL. A graduate from Mokena Elementary and Lincoln-Way High School, he then joined the Marine Corps in 1962. He volunteered to join the Marine Corps advisory unit in Vietnam as a radio operator where he served with distinction. He was discharged in October of 1966 to the reserves. He married Linda Anne Koziol on September 6, 1997. Bernard is survived by his wife Linda, step-children David and Kimberly, brothers Joost (Helen) and William (Carol), sister Helen Gramse, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents William and Ann and his brother John.

Funeral Friday 9:15am prayers from Ridge Funeral Home (6620 W. Archer Ave. Corner of Natoma) to a 10am mass at St. Jane de Chantal Church. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Thursday from 3-8pm. For more info call 773-586-7900 or visit www.ridgefh.com



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Soltis, DDS MS LTD, Jesse Edward

Jesse Edward Soltis, 78, passed away, unexpectedly, on Sunday, April 29, 2018, at Sarasota Memorial Hospital. Jesse was born in Chicago, IL on March 5, 1940 to Edward and Clara (nee Pawlowski) Soltysiak. He was a 1957 graduate of Weber High School. He attended Loyola University and graduated as a Master of Science in Dentistry in 1961, and a Doctorate in Dentistry in 1964. He went on to receive his Specialty in Orthodontics in 1968. He proudly served our country in the Vietnam War during 1965-1966, as a US Navy physician. He served as President of the Illinois Society of Orthodontics in 1978 and President of the Chicago Dental Society from 1985 to 1986. He successfully owned and operated three locations of Soltis Orthodontics in Palatine, Barrington, and Lake Zurich, IL, until his retirement in 2001.

On August 18, 1962, he married his high school sweetheart, Ann Phyllis Wnek. They were long time residents of Palatine, IL, where they raised their four children. They were also part time residents of Longboat Key from 1976 until 2010, when they became full time residents.

He had a passion for aviation and was a private pilot for over 30 years. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed his time on the links especially with his family and friends. He and Ann enjoyed traveling the world. He had a giving spirit and generously gave to others in need.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Clara Soltysiak.

Jesse is survived by his beloved wife, Ann of 55 years. Sons, Jeffrey (Lynn) of Doylestown, OH, Jerry (Jennifer) of San Antonio, TX, Michael (Cindy) of Cary, IL, Stephen (Tiffany) of Kingsport, TN. His grandchildren, Nicole, Ryan, Brady, Amelia, Sydnee, Alexis, Austin, Anna, Peyton, and Jack. Brothers

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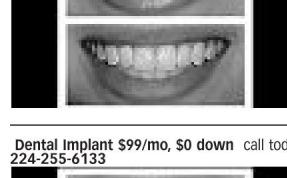
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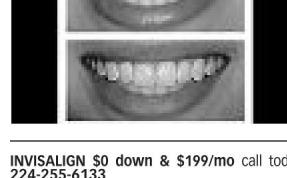
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Cubs go cold after Rizzo's leadoff homer as 5-game winning streak ends

BY MARK GONZALES

Chicago Tribune

The Cubs' lineup for Wednesday promises a return to recent normalcy after manager Joe Maddon reached deep into his past Tuesday night in an attempt to invigorate an offense that had been riding the coattails of superb pitching.

Slumping slugger Anthony Rizzo provided the only sliver of offense when he smacked a leadoff home run, and Jon Gray otherwise stymied the Cubs in a 3-1 loss to the Rockies that snapped a five-game winning streak before a crowd of 40,077 fans at warm and windy Wrigley Field.

Rizzo cranked the first pitch he saw from Gray and let a strong gust do the rest as the ball landed in the left-field seats for his first home run since the March 29 opener at Miami.

Rizzo set a franchise record for the most leadoff home runs by a first baseman, surpassing Rick Monday (three). Rizzo finished with a 1-for-4 performance that raised his batting average to .154 and his on-base percentage to .258.

But Rizzo will move either to his customary third or fourth spot in the batting order for the series finale against left-hander Tyler Anderson. Albert Almora Jr. and Javier Baez, who provided spark at the top of the order during a 9-2 run, will return to the lineup after a one-game absence.

"Everything was right versus (Gray) with the day game after the

Turn to **Cubs**, Page 3**BIG NUMBER**

7 Consecutive games the Cubs have scored three runs or fewer, dating to a 4-1 loss to the Indians. The Cubs have scored 14 runs in the span, an average of two per game. Between the loss to the Indians and Tuesday's loss to the Rockies, the Cubs managed to win five consecutive games.

Cubs left fielder Kyle Schwarber reacts after striking out to end a 3-1 loss to the Rockies at Wrigley Field on Tuesday night.

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**ILLINOIS BASKETBALL**

Ex-Illini captain Kpedi recovering after shooting

Center on team from 1989-91 shot in face by former tenant

BY SHANNON RYAN

Chicago Tribune

Two thoughts raced through Andy Kpedi's mind as he desperately ran to a home for help after getting shot in the face earlier this month.

"There was blood all over my

hands," he said. "I didn't know if my face had been blown off. I had no idea. I knew I was having a hard time breathing. I was just thinking about my family and whether I was going to die."

Kpedi, a 6-foot-7 center for Illinois from 1989 to '91, is recovering at his Indianapolis home after he was shot April 16 by a former tenant who was being evicted from a property



Kpedi

Kpedi manages.

The suspect is still at large and has been charged with attempted murder and aggravated battery, according to Indianapolis police. Robbery did not appear to be the motivation for the shooting, police said.

Kpedi was released last week after nine days in the hospital, during which he received an outpouring of support from for-

mer Illini teammates and coaches such as Lou Henson. Former teammate Kenny Battle visited him in the hospital. Current Illinois coach Brad Underwood sent him a letter.

"I've gotten so much support, it's unbelievable," said Kpedi, a team captain in 1990-91. "It's overwhelming. All my teammates have been reaching out to me. I am extremely grateful."

Turn to **Kpedi**, Page 5**KENTUCKY DERBY**

7th haven

Morning-line favorite Justify draws comfortable post. The draw, **Back Page**

**OPENING SHOT**

Steve Rosenbloom



Carlos Boozer said Bulls management "broke us up too soon." Um, no. Derrick Rose's knee did. Boozer should know. He was right there watching other people play defense. More Rosenbloom, **Page 2**

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STEVE ROSENBLOOM

Bears' line shuffle can work

In 2016, the Bears drafted Cody Whitehair as a tackle with the intention of moving him to guard but ended up starting him at center. That's some travel schedule.

But the good news was Whitehair played well at center in his rookie year, and it would've been great if he could've stayed there. But no. Last year, he played all over the interior of the offensive line because of injuries and depth issues and whatever John Fox was doing over there.

But Whitehair played center well enough that the Bears plan to start him there this season even though they drafted Iowa center James Daniels with the seventh pick of the second round. Daniels was regarded as the best center in the draft, but he won't compete at center. He'll compete at guard while also cross-training at center, to use general manager Ryan Pace's term, which I'd never heard in football but I get the idea.

It seems curious to spend that kind of draft pick on the top-ranked player at a position and immediately move him out of that position. Pace said positional versatility is important to the Bears, and I'm thinking, find a position Hroniss Grasu can play, go ahead, dare ya.

And now you're thinking this is the portion of our program where I criticize the Bears for weakening a player's value and hurting the team, but — surprise — you'd better sit down for this. I get this move and think it's pretty smart. There. I said it.

First, it gives quarterback Mitch Trubisky some continuity, an important consideration when you remember that a year ago Trubisky had almost never worked under center. Also remember that everything starts with what's good for Trubisky.

Second, it reflects confidence in the magical abilities of new offensive line coach Harry Hiestand. He's a legend. Former players swear by him. He just left Notre Dame, where he had two linemen drafted in the top 10. Hiestand would seem just the guy to turn Daniels and his second-round price into an NFL player. That's what coaches do. That's part of the raging enthusiasm about the coaching staff that rookie head coach Matt Nagy has put together.

Now, if Hiestand can make a player out of Grasu, then he'll have to be promoted from offensive line coach to headmaster of Hogwarts.

CHARLIE NEIBERGALL/AP
The Bears plan to move rookie James Daniels to guard and keep Cody Whitehair at center.

With their 3-2 victory over the Rockies on Monday, the Cubs had won five straight while scoring three runs or fewer for the first time in franchise history, according to Christopher Kamka, the "Sultan of Stats" for NBC Sports Chicago. Cubs hitters are like Blackhawks skaters: scoring just enough and then relying on the pitching staff to make it stand up the way Corey Crawford used to. It was working. They were winning. Just as long as the Cubs don't start J.F. Berube.

Before Game 3 of their series against the Golden Knights on Monday, the Sharks handed out rally towels that colorfully read "Nighty Knight" and laid out the towels in the upper bowl on specific seats to spell out "Nighty Knight." William Karlsson scored in overtime to put the Golden Knights up two games to one. Oops, eh?

Los Angeles Kings tweet: as the Predators and Jets played overtime in Game 2 on Sunday: "@PredsNHL and @NHLJets. We have tickets for Infinity War and our showing starts in 20 minutes. Please wrap this up so we don't have to keep checking our phone. kthxbye."

No Gordon Hayward. No Kyrie Irving. No matter. After the Celtics eliminated Giannis Antetokounmpo's Bucks in the first round, they smacked Joel Embiid, Ben Simmons and the 76ers in Game 1 of the second round. It looks like Brad Stevens has replaced Gregg Popovich as the coach nobody wants to play.

What's up, Tyler Colvin.

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BULLS

Reinsdorf Bulls' face at NBA draft



NBA teams want to win titles, not draft lotteries. But if one is at the latter, it might as well prevail.

And if the Bulls do so May 15 at the Palmer House Hilton, the first

happy face of the franchise seen will be **Michael Reinsdorf**, president and chief operating officer. Sources confirmed Reinsdorf is scheduled to represent the Bulls on the dais at the event, which is being held outside New York and New Jersey for the first time in league history.

In 2008, then-executive vice president of business operations Steve Schanwald represented the Bulls as they overcame the longest odds in league history (1.7 percent) to vault from ninth to first and eventually draft Derrick Rose. When the Bulls landed in the lottery in 2016, Jimmy Butler sat on the dais as they stayed at No. 14.

The Bulls, currently slotted sixth, own a 5.3 percent chance of landing the No. 1 pick and an 18.3 percent chance to move into the top three.

Joining forces: Chicago police commander Kenneth Johnson answered questions from three guests Tuesday as he showed tools his 7th District station is using to combat crime in the city's Englewood neighborhood.

Bulls and White Sox Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf and John Paxson and Ken Williams, the executive vice presidents of Reinsdorf's respective clubs, got to see some results the Chicago Sports Alliance hoped to achieve when it donated a combined \$1 million last December. The Bears, Blackhawks and Cubs also are part of the alliance.

"We got firsthand instruction on how committed to protecting the community these people are," Williams said.

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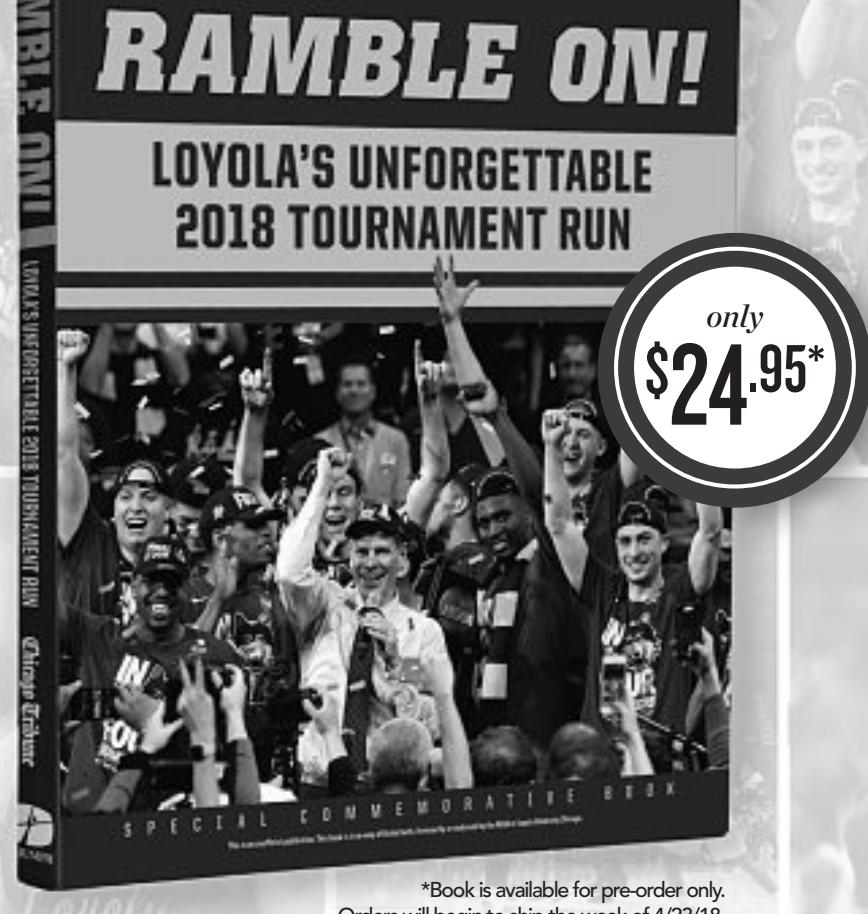
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CUBS**CUBS NOTES**

Batters behind curve

Cubs battle April strikeout trend by hitting to opposite field

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

Proving more adept at hitting to the opposite field helped the Cubs from becoming part of a baffling trend.

The Cubs finished April with 230 hits and 224 strikeouts. For the majors overall, April became the first full calendar month in MLB history with more strikeouts (6,656) than hits (6,360), according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

Cubs manager Joe Maddon, a former minor-league hitting coach, cited the raw weather as only one of several reasons for the strikeout dominance.

"I've been poking fun at 'launch angle' recently, and I still think that has something to do with strikeout proliferation," Maddon said. "It's hard to argue against that for me with added (pitch) velocity, data information and really knowing where to attack a hitter in the zone presenting a big hole (in swings) unless you're exceptionally talented."

"You'll find a few home runs but a lot less contact."

Maddon also cited teams putting an emphasis on relievers who throw at high velocity, along with data and analytics benefiting pitching and defense.

Farrell fan club: Reliever Eddie Butler has yet to throw off a mound since going on the 10-day disabled list April 20 with a right groin strain. But Luke Farrell has

emerged as a capable replacement, allowing just two hits with seven strikeouts over 3 1/3 innings in three appearances.

"I like him because he's tall (6-foot-6) and throws the ball downhill," Maddon said. "He has a good slider and a good split-finger fastball. Because he comes out of the bullpen, he throws harder. He has superior makeup on the five levels of being a major-league player. He's already at stage 3 — 'I belong here and can do this.'

Minor-league standouts: Adalbert Alzolay, the Cubs' top minor-league pitching prospect, is 2-1 with a 2.12 ERA in three starts for Triple-A Iowa. Alzolay has allowed eight hits in 17 innings. Reliever Dillon Maples posted a 2.45 ERA in seven appearances, striking out 16 in 7 1/3 innings.



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Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo circles the bases after his leadoff homer in the first inning.

An inability to score catches up to Cubs

Cubs, from Page 1

night game with (Anderson) coming up," Maddon said. "You permit the schedule sometimes to set the lineup for you."

Nevertheless, the Cubs have scored three runs or fewer in each of their last seven games for the first time since June 23-July 1, 2015 (eight games).

Rizzo was more than eager to bat in the leadoff spot after receiving a text message earlier Tuesday from Maddon. Maddon said he started to experiment with slumping sluggers at the top of the order as a manager at Double-A Midland in 1985-86.

Rizzo batted .300 with five home runs, 12 RBIs and a .373 on-base percentage in 59 plate appearances from the leadoff spot in 2017, and he provided some optimism after Kyle Hendricks allowed consecutive homers to Charlie Blackmon and David Dahl to start the game.

"I got lucky with the wind, but you go up there and it's 2-0," Rizzo said. "Usually, you should take a pitch, but Joe put me up

there to swing and hit. You have up there loose, have fun."

"I'm leading off. I'm not a typical speed guy leading off, so have a good time with it."

But that was the extent of the Cubs' enjoyment, as Gray — who was drafted right after the Cubs selected Bryant as the second overall pick in the 2013 draft — kept the Cubs' off-balance with an array of breaking pitches for first-pitch strikes.

Gray allowed three hits over seven innings.

After Rizzo's homer, he retired the next nine batters, and he retired 11 in a row after allowing a walk to No. 3 hitter Ben Zobrist in the fourth.

"Our reaction by our hitters indicated to me their pitcher was very sharp, and so was Kyle," said Maddon, who thought Hendricks might not have been given a few borderline pitches early."

Said Rizzo: "Give (Gray) credit. It's not easy to pitch here, seeing the wind howling out."

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THE BOX SCORE

COLORADO AB R H BI AVG.

Blackmon cf 2 1 1 1 .286

Dahl lf 4 1 1 1 .259

Arenado 3b 4 1 1 1 .308

Gonzales rf 4 0 0 0 .253

Story ss 4 0 0 0 .227

Desmond 1b 3 0 0 0 .173

Castro 2b 0 0 0 0 .000

Wolters c 3 0 0 0 .128

Gray p 2 0 0 1 0 .231

a-Parra ph 1 0 0 0 .220

Ottavino p 0 0 0 0 .000

Davis 3b 0 0 0 0 .000

TOTALS 30 3 4 3 .263

CUBS AB R H BI AVG.

Rizzo 1b 4 1 1 1 .154

Zobrist 3b 2 0 0 0 .000

Russell ss 4 0 0 0 .239

Schwarber lf 4 0 1 0 .272

Caratini c 3 0 0 0 .275

Heyward rf 3 0 0 0 .238

Wilson p 0 0 0 0 .000

Hendricks p 3 0 0 0 .083

La Stella 3b 1 0 0 0 .263

TOTALS 30 1 3 1 .263

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a-flied on for Gray in the 8th. LOB: Colorado 2, Schwarber (1), HR: Blackmon (10), off Hendricks; Dahl (1), off Hendricks; Story (1), off Dahl (1); Schwarber (1), off Dahl (1); Arenado (14), Rizzo (10). SB: Blackmon (2), SO-Dahl (2), Arenado (1), Story (1), Wolters (2), Gray (1), Bryant (2), Russell (1), Schwarber (1), Caratini (1), Heyward (1), Happ (2), Hendricks (1). Runners left in scoring position: Colorado 1 (Gonzalez); CUBS 3 (Schwarber, Caratini, Heyward). RISP: CUBS 0 for 2; CUBS 0 for 6. GIDP: Blackmon. DP: Colorado 1 (Hendricks, Russell, Rizzo).

COLORADO IP H R ER BB SO ERA

Gray, W-3-4 7 3 1 1 6 4.99

Ottavino, H-7 1 0 0 0 0 1 0.53

Davis, S-11-12 1 0 0 0 1 2 2.19

CUBS IP H R ER BB SO ERA

Hendricks, L-2-2 7/8 4 3 3 2 5 3.19

Wilson 1 0 0 0 0 0 2.49

Inherited runners-scored: Wilson 1-0. Umpires: H, Laz Diaz; B, Andy Fletcher; 2B, Manny Gonzalez; 3B, Jeff Nelson. Time: 2:24. A: 40,077 (41,649).

HOW THEY SCORED

ROCKIES FIRST: Schwarber homered. Dahl homered. Schwarber struck out. Gonzalez grounded out. Story lined out. Two runs. **Rockies 2-0.**

CUBS FIRST: Rizzo homered. Bryant struck out. Zobrist struck out. Russell grounded out. One run. **Rockies 2-1.**

ROCKIES FOURTH: Arenado homered. Gonzalez grounded out. Story flied out. Desmond flied out. One run. **Rockies 3-1.**

WHITE SOX

ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Michael Kopech was named the White Sox's Minor League Pitcher of the Month for April after going 0-1 with a 2.14 ERA in four starts.

Kopech starts strong, but Sox stick to plan

Club still wants more 'progress' from young prospect at Triple A

BY PAUL SULLIVAN
Chicago Tribune

ST. LOUIS — Everyone is waiting on Michael Kopech to come up and provide a lift to the White Sox rotation, which began Tuesday night with a 4-13 record and 5.24 earned-run average.

But that wait is going to be a while longer. And general manager Rick Hahn said the state of the Sox rotation or fan anxiousness won't be a factor in Kopech's timetable.

Kopech, who was named the White Sox's Minor League Pitcher of the Month for April, made his fifth start Tuesday night in Charlotte, giving up four runs (three earned) on seven hits with six strikeouts and two walks in six innings.

After Tuesday's outing, Kopech had made it to the sixth inning in three of five starts. Hahn said the Sox need to see more improvement in his changeup and mound composure.

Hahn said Kopech threw seven changeups in his last start, but only one for a strike.

"He's making progress in both those areas," he said. "We want to see more effective use of the changeup in the coming starts as

well as ideally going deeper in ballgames over the next several and we'll continue evaluating."

Hahn understands Sox fans want to see Kopech at the major-league level, and the sooner the better. But they don't make the call.

"There's an anxiousness, in a good way, an excitement about 'Let's get these guys to Chicago and let's get going on that,'" he said. "And two, when the team is struggling in a certain area, and in regard to our starting pitching, there's a temptation, 'Well hey, we have better options in Triple A with these prospects. Let's bring them and get going.'"

"Neither of those two things are going to drive the decision to ultimately bring him. It's going to be just like it was with (Yoan) Moncada and (Reynaldo) Lopez and (Lucas) Giolito last year. It's going to be only after all the questions we have for them at the minor-league level have been answered."

"Ultimately it's not going to be our excitement or our needs in Chicago that are going to dictate when any kid gets here. It's going to be after the development at the minor-league level is complete."

Hahn basically said the same for outfielder Eloy Jimenez, who obviously has another level to climb at Double A before making it to the Sox.

Despite struggles, Sox proving a real bother

Sullivan, from Page 1

"The good teams win the one-run ballgames," Shields said. "That's the difference between a winning season and a losing season. That's just my opinion."

The Sox may be bad, but at least they're never dull. Before the game, Sox shortstop Tim Anderson was asked if he's enjoying his new reputation as the team's designated agitator.

"It is kind of annoying, everybody asking me about it," Anderson said with a grin. "It is what it is. I don't care."

Anderson already has ticked off Justin Verlander and Salvador Perez for celebrating without the express written consent of major-league veterans. But, really, he has only scratched the surface.

Imagine if the Sox actually were a contender. They really could get on some veterans' nerves with their audacious clapping and chants of "Let's go."

Anderson said he didn't mind the double-standard of Perez, who stood at second and flexed after a double on Saturday night.

"I don't mind that," Anderson said. "That's part of the game. It's more for my teammates to enjoy. I was the leadoff guy. And what's a leadoff guy do? Bring energy and get our team going. We play with a lot of energy. That's what Ricky (Renteria) wants."

Anderson's Twitter profile has grown since the latest incident. He's suddenly a marked man. But most people tweeting at him are sending good thoughts.

"It's all positive vibes," he said. "People get it. I wasn't trying to be disrespectful to their team or players or their coaching staff."

"Timmy vs. The World" is a T-shirt-ready saga the Sox can cling to this summer, even though it's hard to imagine a more unlikely candidate for instigator-at-large than Anderson, a nice guy who last week treated school kids to a trip to Kansas City.

"That speaks so much more about who Tim Anderson is — which is really what the whole fun police thing is about, his character — than anything that happens between the white lines," general manager Rick Hahn said.

"In terms of his enthusiasm, it's fantastic. I'll take 25 guys like that. In terms of guys who

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WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB
Noon Royals at Red Sox MLBN

12:15 p.m. White Sox at Cardinals WGN-9, WGN-AM 720

1:20 p.m. Rockies at Cubs NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

4 p.m. Padres at Giants MLBN

7 p.m. Yankees at Astros ESPN

NBA PLAYOFFS
7 p.m. Utah at Houston TNT, WMVP-AM 1000

NHL PLAYOFFS
6 p.m. G3, Lightning at Bruins NBCSN

9 p.m. G4, Golden Knights at Sharks NBCSN

UEFA CHAMPIONS SOCCER
1:30 p.m. Liverpool at Roma FS1

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
3 p.m. Michigan at Michigan State BTN

TENNIS
4 a.m. Thu. ATP BMW Open Tennis Channel

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Baltimore: Recalled OF Mark Trumbo from DL. Recalled INF Engel Vielma from Norfolk (IL). Put INF Luis Sardi on 10-day DL, retroactive to April 29.

Kansas City: Optioned SS Adalberto Mondesi to Omaha (PCA).

Los Angeles: Put RHP Reynan Middleton on 10-day DL, retroactive to April 29. Recalled RHP Eduardo Paredes from Salt Lake (PCA).

Minneapolis: Put 3B Miguel Sano on 10-day DL, recalled from Triple-A. Selected contact of INF Gregorio Petit from Rochester (IL). Returned Rule 5 draft pick RHP Tyler Kinley to Miami.

NY Yankees: Agreed to terms with RHP David Hale on a minor league contract.

Seattle: Signed RHP Matt Moore and RHP Casey Lawrence from Tacoma (PCA). Placed RHP Dan Alavila and Erasmo Ramírez.

Azores: Traded LHP Colin Poche and RHP Sam McWilliams to Rays to complete an earlier trade for OF Steven Souza Jr.

Atlanta: Selected contract of RHP Mike Soroka from Gwinnett (IL). Optioned RHP Chase Headley to Gwinnett.

Colorado: Selected contract of INF Daniel Castro from Albuquerque (PCA), optioned OF Ryan McMahon to Colorado City.

Minnesota: Sent SS JT Riddle on a rehab assignment to New Orleans (PCA).

Milwaukee: Recalled RHP Brett Phillips from Colorado Springs (PCA). Optioned RHP Brandon Woodruff to Col. Springs.

Philadelphia: Signed C Zach Eflin from Lehigh Valley (IL). Optioned RHP Jake Thompson to Lehigh Valley.

Pittsburgh: Sent RHP Joe Musgrove on a rehab assignment to Bradenton (FSL).

San Diego: Put C Austin Hedges on 10-day DL. Recalled C Rafay Lopez from El Paso (PCA).

St. Louis: Recalled 1B Luke Voit from Memphis (PCA). Optioned RHP Mike Mayers to Memphis.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSN.
Memphis: Named J.B. Bickerstaff coach.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
NFL: Suspended Raiders OL Vadal Alexander, the first 4 regular-season games for violation of NFL's performance-improvement policy.

Arizona: Cut CB Daryl Carter, CB C.J. Goodwin, RB Darius Victor and LS Drew Williams. Waived LB Gabi Martin.

Atlanta: QB Kurt Benkert; RPs Demario Davis, Matt Haack, Connor Barth and Malik Williams; FBs Devonta Freeman and Tevin Jones.

Carolina: CBs CB Donte Jackson, CB C.J. Henderson, WRs Christian Blake, Deetric Clark, Devin Gray, Donte Byrd and LeVert Lockett; OLs Matt Kalil and Jon Cunningham; DE Mackenzy Chiasson; and WRs Justice Williams, RB Matt Mbu, DE Arthur Riley and Richard Jarvis; CB Joseph Putta; SS Chris Lammons and Seadrick Cooper and K DJ Fluker.

Dallas: Signed WR John Damaris, LB Jeff Holland, OT Leon Johnson, RB Phillip Lindsay, NT Lowell Lotulelei, DB Trey Marshall, G Austin Schultmann and WRs Terrance Williams.

Houston: CBs Jake Rodgers, WRs Mike Williams and WRs Justice Williams.

Indianapolis: Waived LB Jeirmeine Grace, RB Matt Jones, WR Justice Ligums, NT Joey Mbu, DE Arthur Riley and LB Darnell Sankey. Waived injured DT Julian Okwara, Ss Jordan Reid and CBs Dre' Bly and Dre' Bly.

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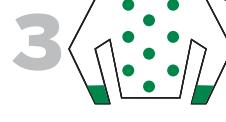
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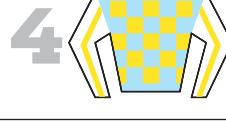
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Jockey: Jose Lezcano
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GOOD MAGIC
Jockey: Jose L. Ortiz
Trainer: Chad C. Brown
Morning line: 12-1



JUSTIFY
Jockey: Mike E. Smith
Trainer: Bob Baffert
Morning line: 3-1



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Jockey: James Graham
Trainer: Thomas M. Amoss
Morning line: 50-1



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Trainer: William I. Mott
Morning line: 20-1



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Jockey: Kent J. Desormeaux
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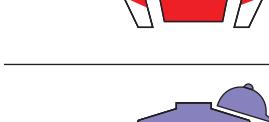
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Morning line: 50-1



MENDELSSOHN
Jockey: Ryan Moore
Trainer: Aidan O'Brien
Morning line: 5-1



INSTILLED REGARD
Jockey: Drayden Van Dyke
Trainer: Jerry Hollendorfer
Morning line: 50-1



MAGNUM MOON
Jockey: Luis Saez
Trainer: Todd A. Pletcher
Morning line: 6-1



SOLOMINI
Jockey: Flavien Prat
Trainer: Bob Baffert
Morning line: 30-1



VINO ROSSO
Jockey: John R. Velazquez
Trainer: Todd A. Pletcher
Morning line: 12-1



NOBLE INDY
Jockey: Florent Geroux
Trainer: Todd A. Pletcher
Morning line: 30-1



COMBATANT
Jockey: Ricardo Santana Jr.
Trainer: Steven M. Asmussen
Morning line: 50-1



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Jockey Mike Smith celebrates after riding Justify to victory in the Santa Anita Derby. Justify didn't race as a 2-year-old but is 3-0 so far as a 3-year-old.

For Justify, it's lining right up

Unbeaten in his 3 races, Baffert-trained favorite draws coveted No. 7 spot

By CHILDS WALKER

Baltimore Sun

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Justify has come into his first piece of luck as he tries to break the "Curse of Apollo" and become the first horse in 136 years to win the Kentucky Derby after not running as a 2-year-old.

The Bob Baffert-trained colt will start from the coveted No. 7 post in the 20-horse field Saturday and was listed as a 3-1 favorite in the morning line after the post-position draw Tuesday morning at Churchill Downs.

"That's a good spot," Baffert said. "We didn't want to be in the 1-hole and we didn't want to be 20. Seven is fine, but he still has to break well. If he doesn't break well, it doesn't matter what hole he's in. ... He's lightly raced and he has to leave there running."

Baffert is seeking his fifth Kentucky Derby victory and first since American Pharoah won in 2015 on the first leg of his Triple Crown romp. Baffert sent California-based Justify to the track at Churchill for the first time Tuesday and pronounced him fit and happy.

"It's one of the toughest Derbys and one of the best draws that I've ever seen. The most important horses got good draws."



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— Bob Baffert, trainer of Justify

from No. 6 at 12-1.

"We had 11 and Good Magic had the 6 in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile," said Mick Ruis, Bolt d'Oro's trainer and owner. "We drew the same numbers. That's kind of fun."

Bolt d'Oro lost that race and lost to Justify in the Santa Anita Derby, so he'll be seeking revenge on two rivals. Jockey Victor Espinoza will be aboard, seeking his fourth Derby victory and first since he rode American Pharoah.

Hofburg (20-1), the lightly raced Florida Derby runner-up, will start from the No. 9 post. The odds for the rest of the field grow substantially longer.

Wood Memorial runner-up Enticed (30-1), trained by Kiaran McLaughlin, will start from the No. 12 post. Trainer Dale Romans' two 30-1 choices, Free Drop Billy and Promises Fulfilled, will start side by side in Nos. 2 and 3. Next to them in No. 4 will be another 30-1 shot, Mark Casse-trained Flameaway.

Trainer Todd Pletcher, who won last year's Derby with Always Dreaming, will saddle a quartet of starters, including Magnum Moon, the 6-1 third choice, and Audible, the 8-1 co-fourth choice. Audible, the Florida Derby winner, will start from the No. 5 post and Arkansas Derby winner Magnum Moon from No. 16.

Pletcher's other two horses, Wood Memorial winner Vino Rosso (12-1) and Louisiana Derby winner Noble Indy (30-1), will start in the Nos. 18 and 19 posts.

"Ideally, I wouldn't want three of my four horses in the auxiliary gate," Pletcher said, referring to the outside post positions. "Both Magnum Moon and Noble Indy have tactical speed, so in a best-case scenario, they'll be able to get good spots despite the post. This is very much a rider's race, and I've got four of the best riders around."

Bolt d'Oro, the co-fourth choice at 8-1, will start from the No. 11 post.

Good Magic, his rival from last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile, will start

BASKETBALL

Q&A CARLOS BOOZER

Ex-Bull now playing for Big3 league

By PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

Carlos Boozer has a foot on Nate Robinson, but the 6-foot-9 Boozer knows the stakes if he doesn't outdo his former Bulls teammate and current podcast co-host when they play for the Big3 at the United Center on June 29.

"That's one of my best friends," Boozer said. "We bonded ever since he came to our Bulls team (in 2012) ... but I will tell you it's going to be huge bragging rights."

"Trust me, we'll be all over the ('HODAT') podcast about what happened, who played (whom) and who got off. ... And to be honest Nate is a guy who should be in the (NBA coming off) somebody's bench, (giving) them a whole lot of bench scoring."

Boozer, 36, reflected on his reasons for joining Big3 — Ice Cube's three-on-three basketball league — what he feels were missed opportunities with the Bulls and more.

On signing with Big3's Ghost Ballers after retiring from the NBA in December: "I was ready to turn the page on my career and start something new. ... Ice Cube and Roger Mason (before he was fired as commissioner in March) said it was going to be a lot of fun, we got a lot of players playing (and) it's real competitive. We can do something special with this league, so I got involved right away."

On his and Robinson's return to Chicago: "We can't wait. I still get up to Chicago all the time to hang out with my friends, but to come back to Chicago and play is going to be such a treat. We feel (Bulls) management broke us up too soon. Nobody could've predicted (Derrick Rose) getting hurt (so much) and his body going through a lot. If he had stayed healthy, we still believe we could've won a championship. ... They should've (given) us a couple more years to get through things, to keep D-Rose healthy."

On getting pushed around in media scrums now that he's a freelance broadcaster: "I was really surprised how the media (will) be fighting to get position just to put a microphone in somebody's face. I had no idea it was like that." (Boozer laughs.) "I was like why (are) these guys throwing elbows? You want me to throw my elbows?"

On his connection with Robinson: "Obviously we're different in stature — he's 5-9 and I'm 6-9 — but ... we're both fathers, we're both raising kids, (we) both have a lot of energy. ... The main thing is he's a good person. He has the right intentions, he does things the right way, he never complains about anything. ... Nate might have been one of the best teammates I ever had. This guy would bake us cupcakes for every road game. ... just to put a smile on your face. That was (the) kind of teammate Nate was."

On encounters with Michael Jordan: "I was (playing for) Duke, but I was at the Dean Dome to play the Carolina guys. (Jordan) walked in to play pickup with us — him, (Jerry) Stackhouse, Vince Carter. ... When I played against him (in the NBA), he had (come) out of retirement and played with Wizards. That was my rookie year (with the Cavaliers) in 2002. ... I went to the locker (room) after the game and he signed pair of Jordan shoes for me. He said, 'I don't like a lot of new guys. ... And I'm (going to) tell you we need more players like you. You play hard, you play passionate, you're very enthusiastic about the game. The NBA needs more players like you.' I'm a rookie and I'm hearing from the greatest that the league needs more players like me. I was blown away."

On the Bulls' rebuild: "They're very young. They have a lot of talent. ... (Bobby Portis is) a hard-working kid, very talented, very athletic, has a good future. I'm looking forward to seeing what they can accomplish."

On Gar Forman and John Paxson: "When I was there, the front office was great. Paxson was terrific, Gar was terrific with me — I really enjoyed playing for those guys. The owner (Jerry Reinsdorf) was terrific. I can't speak much on what they're doing now. They traded Jimmy Butler and Taj Gibson away. ... Jimmy and Taj were like the last couple of guys from our good years in Chicago. When (management) made that move, it was clear (the Bulls) were trying to go young and rebuild, get in the draft."

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NFL commissioner Roger Goodell poses with former Penn State running back Saquon Barkley, who was selected No. 2 overall by the Giants. Barkley has Pro Bowl potential.

NFC: Best in draft class

BY MARK MASKE
Washington Post

Another NFL draft is over. Who filled their needs, who made some savvy steals and who veered off course? Here are performance grades for every NFC team.

Giants: A-

Taking RB Saquon Barkley second overall will help the Giants get the most out of what's left of QB Eli Manning. Barkley could be a Pro Bowler soon. But once Manning retires, the Giants might look back and wish they'd taken Sam Darnold to replace him. Does taking Richmond QB Kyle Lauletta in Round 4 qualify as a successor in waiting? Perhaps, as some talent evaluators believe Lauletta could develop into a starter. Getting G Will Hernandez in the second round and pass rusher Lorenzo Carter in the third were solid moves. This group potentially could help the Giants regain contender status quickly.

Cardinals: A-

Whether there were, by Josh Rosen's ever-changing calculations, nine mistakes or three mistakes made by the teams drafting ahead of the Cardinals, they made an excellent move to trade up in the opening round to get Rosen at No. 10. He's the most polished QB in this class and could take over as the starter relatively quickly if Sam Bradford and Mike Glennon aren't the answers. Getting WR Christian Kirk midway through the second round was a good value. Third-round C Mason Cole could help.

Redskins: B+

The Redskins did well. They seemed intent on bolstering the middle of their defensive line in the first round, taking DaRon Payne just after fellow DT Vita Vea went to the Buccaneers. Using a second-rounder on RB Derrius Guice was justified despite the speculation about off-field

issues; there has been little to no substantiation of that to this point. Getting T Geron Christian in the third round was a very good value.

Packers: B+

The Packers improved their secondary significantly by getting CBs Jaire Alexander and Josh Jackson in the first two rounds. Emerging with the Saints' first-round pick next year was a major bonus. The only issue is whether more should have been done in the early rounds to help the offense around QB Aaron Rodgers.

Bears: B

The Bears fortified their defensive front seven with a solid first-round selection in LB Roquan Smith, a very good and versatile defender, and helped their offensive line with second-rounder James Daniels, who could play guard or center.

Panthers: B

It's interesting that the Panthers made D.J. Moore, not Calvin Ridley, the first WR taken in the draft at No. 24 overall. But that's defensible, given that some analysts had Moore even with or slightly ahead of Ridley, and it addressed a major need. Focusing on the secondary in the second and third rounds made sense, particularly with second-round CB Donte Jackson.

Falcons: B

Getting WR Calvin Ridley at No. 26 overall falls into the better-lucky-than-good category. He could be very productive as a complement to fellow Alabama alum Julio Jones. The rest of the Falcons' draft wasn't all that exciting, but they did address some areas of need on defense.

Buccaneers: B-

The Bucs' approach was sound, trading down in the first round before taking DT Vita Vea and then focusing on the secondary in Round 2 with CBs M.J. Stewart and Carlton Davis. Even so, some would have

preferred to see S Derwin James, a potential difference-making playmaker in the secondary, taken after the first-round trade-down. Second-round RB Ronald Jones should help after the release of Doug Martin.

Vikings: C

The Vikings addressed needs with first-round CB Mike Hughes and second-round T Brian O'Neill. But after spending all that money on QB Kirk Cousins in free agency, perhaps they should have given Cousins another playmaker or two on offense.

49ers: C

The draft's ninth overall choice might have been a bit high for T Mike McGlinchey, but the 49ers clearly were interested in protecting their big investment in QB Jimmy Garoppolo. Second-round WR Dan Pettis could develop into a reliable complementary receiver.

Eagles: C-

The Eagles traded out of the first round but still were able to get TE Dallas Goedert in the second round. He'll fit in nicely. The Eagles were short on early-round picks, in part because of the Carson Wentz trade two years ago. They have a franchise quarterback and a Super Bowl trophy to console them.

Cowboys: C-

The Cowboys had their choice of any wide receiver in the draft at No. 19 overall. But, even after just releasing Dez Bryant, they passed over Calvin Ridley and D.J. Moore to go with LB Leighton Vander Esch. He should help the defense, but not getting a wideout until the third round could end up as a regret. If Jason Witten indeed retires to join "Monday Night Football," an early-round TE might have been a good idea, although Dalton Schultz came in Round 4. The Cowboys' best value pick might have been getting G-T Connor Williams in the second round.

Lions: C-

The Lions made a far-from-glamorous first-round pick by taking C Frank Ragnow, but he should help. Getting DE Da'Shawn Hand in Round 4 was an excellent value. It's questionable whether the Lions' trade up to get RB Kerryon Johnson in the second round was justified.

Rams: C-

The Rams made their biggest moves earlier this offseason with big-name veterans, including the trade of their first-round pick for WR Brandin Cooks. They didn't have a choice until the third round and focused initially on adding depth to the offensive line. Such an approach isn't sustainable for long, but the Rams clearly are in win-now mode, and little will be expected immediately of this draft class.

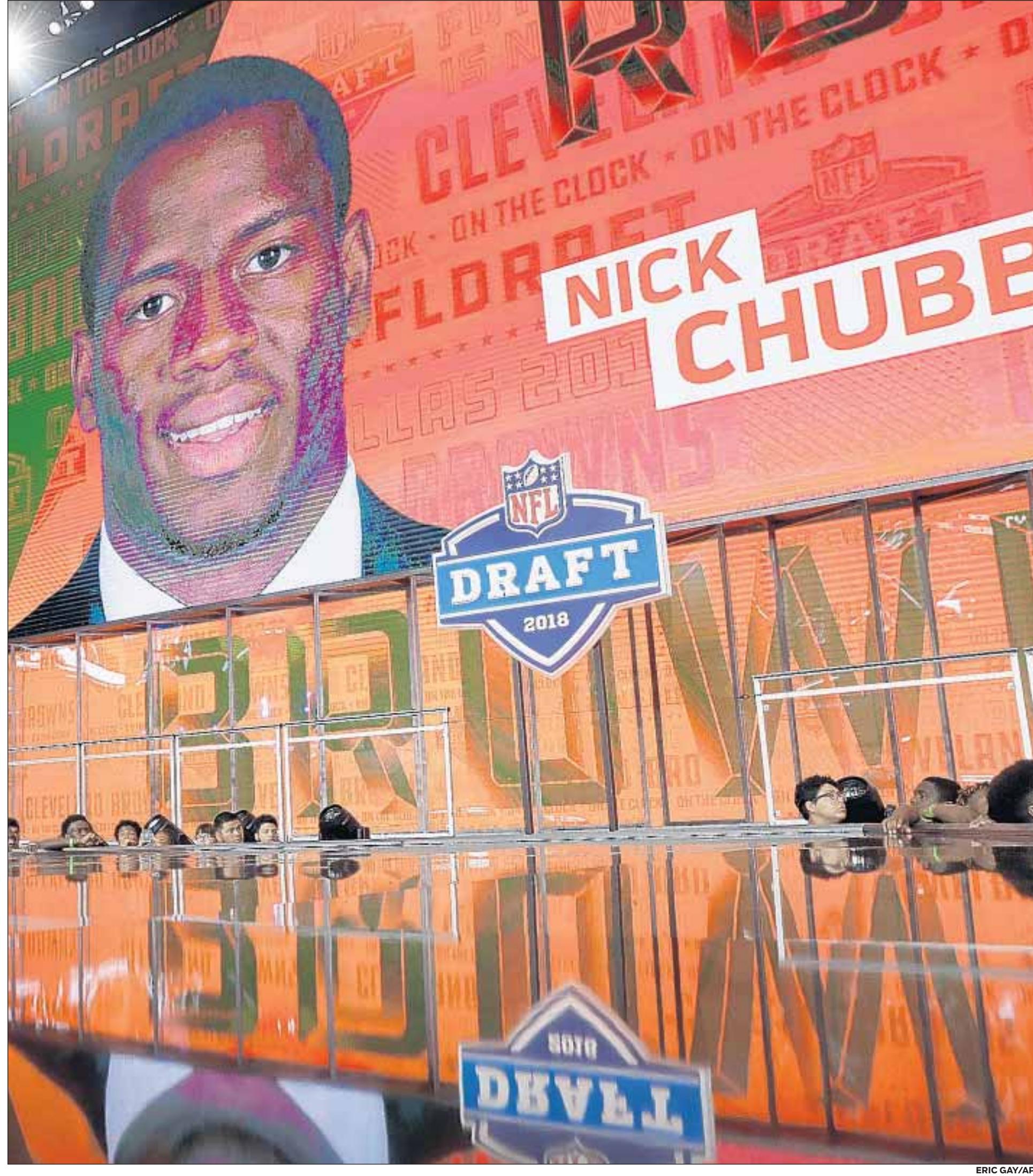
Seahawks: C-

It's fine if the Seahawks wanted RB Rashaad Penny, but they probably didn't need to use the No. 27 overall selection to get him. The defense is in serious transition, and the Seahawks didn't begin addressing that until the third round. Using a fifth-round pick on LB Shaquem Griffin not only is a feel-good story, it also could turn out to be a meaningful addition.

Saints: D+

The Saints' draft class a year ago was terrific. This time things didn't go as well. Trading up in the first round for DE Marcus Davenport was puzzling. Davenport very well could become a productive pass rusher, although he must make a significant jump to the NFL from Texas-San Antonio. But to give up next year's first-round pick as part of the package to move up 13 spots to get Davenport was curious, to say the least. The Saints seem to think they are adding a final piece or two to a championship team and can afford to mortgage some of the future. They'd better be right. Davenport had better be very good, and they'd better remain in Super Bowl contention.

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ERIC GAY/AP

The Browns did well in selecting running back Nick Chubb in the second round, but their draft decisions could have been a lot better. The Broncos did best in the AFC.

AFC: Broncos grade best

BY MARK MASKE
Washington Post

Another NFL draft is over. Who filled their needs, who made some savvy steals, and who veered off course? Here are grades for every AFC team.

Broncos: A-

The Broncos, thought to be in the QB market, reacted appropriately when Bradley Chubb fell to No. 5 overall. Pairing Chubb with Von Miller as a pass-rushing dynamic duo could move the Broncos defense back toward dominant. Second-round WR Courtland Sutton and the two third-rounders, RB Royce Freeman and CB Isaac Yiadom, are capable of being solid contributors. The Broncos are left without a prized rookie QB to take over if Case Keenum falters, but the team around Keenum has been improved.

Bills: B+

The Bills' first-round trade-ups for QB Josh Allen and LB Tremaine Edmunds come with risk. Allen has great talent but was only a 56 percent passer as a college starter, and his racially offensive tweets as a high schooler created additional concerns and led to an apology. Edmunds, 19, is very young. Is he ready for the NFL? These are promising players, and this could turn out very well. Third-round DT Harrison Phillips could contribute quickly.

Dolphins: B+

The Dolphins passed on a chance to add a QB capable of taking over if Ryan Tannehill's return doesn't go smoothly. But they did pretty well, particularly with first-round S Minkah Fitzpatrick and second-round TE Mike Gesicki. Both could be standouts. The only question about Fitzpatrick is whether he'd be better at cornerback or safety.

Jets: B+

The Jets were the beneficiaries when

Sam Darnold, the QB who probably should have gone first overall, fell to them at No. 3. That made the high cost — a trio of second-rounders — of their blockbuster pre-draft trade with the Colts to move up three spots well worth it. The Jets got the QB in this class who probably has the best chance to become very good to great. That alone makes this draft a success, even if the rest of what they did was less than overwhelming.

Ravens: B+

Ozzie Newsome's final draft as GM of the Ravens went well. They traded down twice in the first round and still got an excellent fit for their offense in TE Hayden Hurst. Then they traded back up into the opening round and landed a QB of the future in Lamar Jackson. Getting T Orlando Brown in the third round was a good value. Newsome helped the Ravens in their bid to get back into the playoffs after a three-season absence.

Patriots: B

The Patriots didn't trade up in the first round to get a QB to eventually replace Tom Brady. Instead they focused on helping Brady by using their two opening-round picks on G-T Isaiah Wynn and RB Sony Michel. Both should help, and Michel could be particularly effective as a replacement for Dion Lewis. Second-round CB Duke Dawson could be a contributor after the departure of Malcolm Butler.

Jaguars: B

The Jaguars added to a strength by further bolstering their already formidable defensive front seven with the first-round choice of DT Taven Bryan. If he can get his production to match the promise of his eye-catching athleticism, this could be a great selection. Third-round S Ronnie Harrison also could help, and the Jaguars gave some much-needed pass-catching help to QB Blake Bortles with second-round WR D.J. Chark.

Titans: B

There is much to like about this group. The Titans focused on defense and helped it considerably by taking LB Rashaan Evans in the first round and pass rusher Harold Landry in the second. The issue is whether an early pick should have been used to address the offensive line.

Colts: B-

The Colts ended up with five picks in the first two rounds, a sound approach by GM Chris Ballard as he attempts to restock a talent-deficient roster. He also was wise to spend early-round resources on fortifying the offensive line for the return of QB Andrew Luck. Taking G Quenton Nelson sixth overall was the right move. There is reason to wonder, however, if the Colts made the most of their four second-rounders.

Chargers: B-

Getting S Derwin James at No. 17 overall was superb. He could be a difference-maker. It's unclear if this class has other immediate contributors, but the Chargers addressed a major need in the interior of their defensive line with third-round DT Justin Jones.

Steelers: B-

It probably was a bit of a stretch for the Steelers to use a first-round pick on S Terrell Edmunds. It was a nice story to have both Edmunds brothers (LB Tremaine went to the Bills) taken in the opening round, but few had viewed Edmunds as a first-rounder. Getting QB Mason Rudolph in the third round may have made up for it, however. Ben Roethlisberger's eventual successor could be in place.

Bengals: C

The Bengals obviously wanted to upgrade their offensive line, taking C Billy Price in the opening round after the pre-draft trade for T Cordy Glenn that cost the Bengals nine spots in the first round.

Fourth-round RB Mark Walton could fill an immediate role after the departure of Jeremy Hill in free agency.

Texans: C

The Texans were non-participants until the third round, thanks in part to last year's trade up to get Deshaun Watson. That worked out just fine, but it leaves this year's draft class a little thin. The Texans were fortunate, though, to be able to get S Justin Reid in Round 3.

Browns: C-

No one is saying the Browns aren't better. They are. They are far closer to respectable than they were when the draft began. But this is about making the most of your draft-pick resources. It's difficult to say new GM John Dorsey, who inherited a terrible team but riches of draft choices from his predecessors, did that. The Browns went with QB Baker Mayfield and CB Denzel Ward with the first and fourth overall selections when they could have had Sam Darnold and Bradley Chubb. The Darnold-Chubb combination would have been the better way to go. At least the Browns came back and made a solid second-round pick in RB Nick Chubb.

Chiefs: C-

The Chiefs were without a first-round pick after last year's trade up for QB Patrick Mahomes. They focused on defense, and their trade up to get second-round DE Breeland Speaks signals that the Chiefs believe he has a chance to help immediately.

Raiders: C-

Coach Jon Gruden already has been busy defending the Raiders' picks. Addressing the offensive line wasn't a bad idea, but it's not clear whether the Raiders' offensive line moves in this draft will work out. Taking T Kolton Miller 15th overall probably was too high. The Raiders' best value pick probably was DT Maurice Hurst in Round 5.

Delmark label changes hands

Chicago musicians, educators Miller and Barilari new owners



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For 65 years, Chicagoan Bob Koester has given the world some of the most important jazz and blues recordings ever made via his Delmark Records label.

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But with Koester's 86th birthday approaching in October, the Delmark founder decided to sell the label, its subsidiary labels, a catalog of masters dating to the 1920s, a voluminous inventory of CDs and LPs and the Riverside Studio at 4121 N. Rockwell St. The sale was completed Tuesday.

Chicago musicians Julia A. Miller and Elbio Barilari, who co-lead the band Volcano Radar and are deeply involved in other arts and educational activities, have bought the company.

"I'm getting old," says Koester, who closed his downtown Jazz Record Mart in February 2016, and later opened a smaller shop, Bob's Blues & Jazz Mart, at 3419 W. West Irving Park Road.

"When we quit the store downtown, I thought maybe I'd retire, and then somebody offered me a nice jazz LP collection," which was enough to get Koester back into the retail business.

But Koester quietly put the record label up for sale, asking longtime Delmark producer and recording engineer Steve Wagner to handle inquiries.

"I already had been approached by a couple of interested parties," says Wagner. "Sharing documents had begun, but nothing really came to fruition out of that. Enter Julia and Elbio."

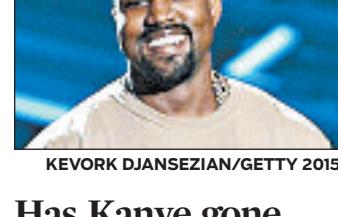
"We were looking for somebody who would like to buy the (entire) label. We had people who wanted to buy the masters, but Delmark couldn't exist as just a new label."

Meaning that Delmark's extensive jazz and blues catalog, which counts customers around the world, helps underwrite its contemporary record-

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Classical music festival guide

John von Rhein's definitive guide to the best U.S. summer music festivals, and a personal note. **Page 4**



Has Kanye gone too far this time?

Greg Kot on Kanye West's play between provocation and promotion, truth and outrage. **Page 5**



Katrina Lenk and Tony Shalhoub star in "The Band's Visit" on Broadway. The show is among the Tony nominees for best musical.

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VYING FOR TONY'S

'Band's Visit,' 'SpongeBob' and 'Harry Potter' in the running

BY CHRIS JONES | Chicago Tribune

The Band's Visit," a wry and critically acclaimed musical based on an obscure Israeli movie about an Egyptian police band lost in a small Israeli town, has emerged as the dominant new Broadway musical of the 2017-18 season, at least as far as the major Tony Award nominations are concerned.

As directed by David Cromer, who spent most of his career working in Chicago theater, "The Band's Visit" was nominated Tuesday for best musical, alongside "Mean Girls," "Frozen" and "SpongeBob SquarePants," the musical based on the Nickelodeon series that had its pre-Broadway tryout in Chicago and is directed by Steppenwolf Theatre ensemble member Tina Landau.

"Harry Potter and the Cursed Child" was, as anticipated, the other dominant show in this year's nominations, announced live in New York on Tuesday by Broadway stars Leslie Odom Jr. and Katharine McPhee, who struggled on



"Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Parts One and Two" by Jack Thorne is one of the most popular attractions on Broadway and a best play nominee.

camera with many of the nominees' names.

"Cursed Child" came from London. But artists with extensive connections to the Chicago theater had an excellent morning.

Both Landau and Cromer were nominated for best director. Steppenwolf ensemble member Laurie Metcalf was nominated for her performance in

"Three Tall Women."

Tina Fey, who cut her teeth at Second City in Chicago, was nominated for best book of a musical for "Mean Girls" and Fey's husband, former Second City musician Jeff Richmond, shared a nomination for best score with Nell Benjamin. Jessie Mueller, who was raised in Evanston,

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Once' ★★★

Heart, soul and poetry fuel masterful musical

BY CHRIS JONES

Chicago Tribune

Tiffany Topol and Barry DeBois are not new to "Once." Both of the stars of director Jim Corti's beautiful and moving new Paramount Theatre production were understudies on the recent national tour; they have lived for a good while in these gorgeously drawn roles, inhabiting two lovable, working-class characters, one Irish, one Czech, both poised on the ecstatic edge of Eros, but seriously stuck.

The glue is of their own invention. "Once," which was written by the masterful Irish scribe Enda Walsh after the hit 2007 John Carney film that featured the music and personas of Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova, imparts lessons of life. One of its teachings suggests that life is random and unfair; pandemonium, even. For some of us, in our darker moments, are visited by an unselfish person who is so determined to lead us to the light that you wonder whether this is even a person at all, or maybe

When: Through June 3

Where: Paramount Theatre, 23 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora

Running time: 2 hours, 30 minutes

Tickets: \$36-\$64 at 630-896-6666 or www.paramountaurora.com

some kind of angel. Some of us are not so lucky.

This is a musical very much about love, which you might think describes most all musicals and, well, sure, but "Once" just ranges so much deeper than most in its exploration of love's redemptive power. It might not come out and say that people are sent to us for a reason, but I've left every production I have seen (and there have been many) with that feeling. The show is like leaving the house in the morning with your stomach coated with oatmeal.

I've written many times about "Once." I love the piece so much, I feel weirdly protective of its



Barry DeBois and Tiffany Topol star in "Once," directed by Jim Corti.

truths, its power to move an audience. My affection comes from my admiration of the lyricism in Walsh's book and from how the show managed to take a film and avoid each and every trap when it comes to adapting a movie for the stage. Original New York director John Tiffany threw away everything he did

not need and amplified theat-

rically everything he did.

When I first saw the show on Broadway in 2012, I remember writing that no other movie-to-musical adaptation had found so simple and rich a theatrical vocabulary, especially when traveling from one place to another. Now here we are some six years

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Ashley Judd has sued Harvey Weinstein, saying he hurt her career in retaliation for rejecting his advances.

Judd wants Weinstein to be held accountable

Ashley Judd says she wants Harvey Weinstein to be held accountable for "illegal conduct" that caused her to lose money, status, prestige and power.

Judd spoke Tuesday on ABC's "Good Morning America."

Judd sued Weinstein on Monday in Los Angeles County Superior Court, saying the former movie mogul hurt her acting career in retaliation for her rejecting his sexual advances.

Weinstein's representative says in a statement that he "championed her work," did not defame her and plans a vigorous defense against her claims.

The 50-year-old Judd says her ultimate goal is to encourage "safe and legal workplaces." She says it feels wonderful to take a stand on behalf of her "younger self."

Her lawsuit goes beyond many sexual harassment suits by invoking unfair competition laws against fraudulent business practices.

— Associated Press



ANDY KROPA/INVISION

A "sad situation": Kim Kardashian West, above, is speaking out publicly about her sister Khloe's relationship with NBA player Tristan Thompson. Khloe gave birth to a baby girl named True earlier this month, days after a video surfaced of Thompson where it appeared he was cheating on her. On "The Ellen DeGeneres Show," Kardashian West said, "I don't even know how to describe it besides it's so (expletive) up." She described it as a "sad situation." Kardashian West said Khloe's main focus is on being a mom. She's taking some alone time with the baby to figure out what to do next. Kardashian West said True would one day be old enough to comprehend the situation and so she didn't want to say too much.

Brennan expecting: New "Face the Nation" host Margaret Brennan and her husband, former Marine Corps judge advocate Yado Yakub, will welcome their first baby in September. The mom-to-be dropped the big news during an interview on "Late Night with Stephen Colbert." And the comic had some good advice for the newswoman: "Get some sleep now." Brennan, 38, and Yakub, 40, have a meet-cute story: They met as undergrads at the University of Virginia but didn't date until a chance meeting 15 years later in Washington. They married in 2015.

May 2 birthdays: Singer Larry Gatlin is 70. Actress Christine Baranski is 66. Actor Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson is 46. Athlete David Beckham is 43. Singer Lily Allen is 33.

course, different from the original staging. It is a tad more romanticized, a bit lighter on the comedy and heavier on the heart, which is fair enough. And despite the size of the house, Corti's show actually is somewhat simpler.

But the program credits Tiffany's "original production concept." We are still in an Irish bar; you can buy drinks on stage at intermission, as you could in New York; the ensemble of musical-actors is full of long-time veterans of the show, and the emotional key of

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Paramount production soars

Once, from Page 1

later. Every movie studio now has a theatrical office. Yet, still, no one else ever achieved what "Once" managed.

The only comparable piece is "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child," which happens to be the work of the same director in Tiffany, and as juicy as that J.K. Rowling story feels in the theater, it does not come with anything close to the poetic book that Walsh penned for "Once."

Corti's production is, of

the piece is strong and clear. It is most beautifully lit by Nick Belley, who finds soul in the shadows, and exquisitely sung under the musical direction of Tom Vendaferro. So, if you have never had the pleasure, and it is a great pleasure, this probably is your last chance to see "Once" in the Chicago area at this level, reaching out but still connected to its genesis.

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ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Mom torn over estranged daughter

Dear Amy: I have two children in their 40s. I divorced their dad several years ago. My daughter does not want me in her life. I think she holds me entirely responsible for the divorce, but I don't really know. I have never had the opportunity to tell my side of the story, and part of me feels that dirty laundry just needs to be "kept in a corner" because at the end of the day, my ex is still their father.

My children were grown before I decided that I needed a life. I did not leave for another person. I left because the marriage was just not healthy. I left for my own mental health.

I send my daughter cards, money and gifts for holidays. She never thanks me. I get nothing for my birthday, Christmas, Mother's Day — not even a text. I am not looking for gifts; I just want some contact.

I have a great relationship with my son. We have talked honestly about the past, and he seems to understand.

For my daughter, I cannot fix what I don't know is broken.

I am torn between trying to keep the lines of communication open and simply shutting this door. While I am getting some emotional support via therapy, it still hurts and it always will.

What do you suggest? While I would never shut the door on my child, the continual silent treatment keeps me in a spin.

Do I continue with the gifts/cards, or just let it all go, in hopes that someday, maybe before I die, she will come around?

— Sleepless and Hopeless

Dear Sleepless: Cards, money and gifts are not really effective bids for connection, certainly when an honest statement is due. It is surprising that you are so forthright in your question to me, when you won't be so with your daughter.

So stop with the cards and gifts. Send a letter or email. Pour it all out. Read it several times, share it with your therapist and wait a few days before sending. Offer to have a dialogue. Leave it open-ended. Encourage her to do as you have done and state how she feels.

Her problems with you might not be related solely to the divorce but to other issues stemming from her childhood, or your relationship.

She might be depressed and isolating herself for other reasons entirely or she may have unconsciously absorbed the lesson from you that it is better to sweep things under the rug than state her own truth.

After that, you should continue to contact her if you want to, but don't do so expecting her to respond in any particular way, and especially on holidays, which are emotionally loaded, and which challenged family members tend to avoid.

Dear Amy: When I was young (I'm 57), my mom taught me if I was in line at the grocery with a week's worth of shopping and someone got in behind me with just a few times, the polite thing was to offer to let them go first.

I still adhere to this. I offer, but very rarely does anyone take me up on it.

They usually seem to be

older and they'll respond something like, "Oh no, that's fine. I don't have anything better to do today." (Even if I wasn't busy, I can't imagine standing in a grocery line for fun.)

Have the rules of etiquette changed? Or was this never a "social rule," and more my mother's?

— Wondering in Walmart

Dear Wondering: You are kind to make this offer. I routinely do this, too, and others extend it to me (and yes, I usually refuse). It is an everyday courtesy offered to a stranger, and the courtesy itself makes the world a little bit better.

What you don't seem to realize is that many of us use our time in line to daydream and/or catch up on the tabloids. While waiting in line, I can usually manage to read an entire article about Brad Pitt's latest romance without having to pay for the periodical.

That's a win, in my book.

Dear Amy: "Wondering" reported a strained relationship with a niece and nephew because whenever the kids achieved something or were awarded an honor, Wondering would respond by saying, "Wow, you take after me!"

Thank you for slapping this down. Honestly, I thought my family members were the only people who did this. I hate it.

— Grateful

Dear Grateful: Rest assured: No one's family members are unique.

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Barry DeBois, left, leads a band of actor-musicians in "Once" at the Paramount.

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Several nominees have Chicago ties

Tony's, from Page 1

was nominated for her leading performance as Julie in "Carousel," as was Joshua Henry, who played opposite her as Billy Bigelow.

Henry appeared as Aaron Burr in the original cast of the Chicago production of "Hamilton."

"Cursed Child" will compete against "Junk" by Ayad Akhtar, "The Children" by Lucy Kirkwood, "Farinelli and the King" by Claire Van Kampen and John Leguizamo's "Latin History for Morons."

But perhaps in anticipation of the dominance of the Potter blockbuster, most of the major nonmusical productions this season were revivals, which meant multiple nominations for "Angels in America" (also from London), "Lobby Hero," "Three Tall Women" (Tony nominations included a spot for actress Glenda Jackson and director Joe Mantello), "The Iceman Cometh" (star Denzel Washington scored a Tony nomination as did director George C. Wolfe), and "Travesties."

The category of best revival of a musical is especially competitive this year with "Carousel," "My Fair Lady" and "Once On This Island" all nominees with a shot at Tony glory.

Bruce Springsteen is already assured of his place at the podium.

Along with Leguizamo, the Boss will receive a special Tony in recognition of a solo show that was arguably the best of the entire 2017-18 season.

The 72nd annual Tony Awards will be presented at Radio City Music Hall in New York on June 10 by the Broadway League and American Theatre Wing.

A few other awards already have been announced: Actress Chita Rivera and composer Andrew Lloyd Webber are the 2018 recipients of Tony Awards for Lifetime Achievement. And the Regional Theater Tony goes to New York's La MaMa. (The regional award originally honored only theaters outside the New York area, but in more recent years, regional theaters have alternated with New York organizations that aren't eligible for Tonys because they aren't classified as Broadway.)

Nominations for 2018 Tony Awards

Best Play

- "The Children" by Lucy Kirkwood
- "Farinelli and The King" by Claire van Kampen
- "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child, Parts One and Two" by Jack Thorne



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Erika Henningsen, from left, Ashley Park, Taylor Louderman and Kate Rockwell star in "Mean Girls."

■ "Junk" by Ayad Akhtar ■ "Latin History for Morons" by John Leguizamo

Best Musical

- "The Band's Visit"
- "Frozen"
- "Mean Girls"
- "SpongeBob SquarePants: The Musical"

Best Revival of a Play

- "Angels in America"
- "Three Tall Women"
- "The Iceman Cometh"
- "Lobby Hero"
- "Travesties"

Best Revival of a Musical

- "My Fair Lady"
- "Once on This Island"
- "Carousel"

Best Book of a Musical

- "The Band's Visit" by Itamar Moses
- "Frozen" by Jennifer Lee
- "Mean Girls" by Tina Fey
- "SpongeBob SquarePants: The Musical" by Kyle Jarrow

Best Original Score

- "Angels in America" with music by Adrian Sutton
- "The Band's Visit" with music and lyrics by David Yazbek
- "Frozen" with music and lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez and Robert Lopez
- "Mean Girls" with music by Jeff Richmond, lyrics by Nell Benjamin
- "SpongeBob SquarePants: The Musical" with music and lyrics by Yolanda Adams, Steven Tyler & Joe Perry of Aerosmith, Sara Bareilles, Jonathan Coulton, Alex Ebert of Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros, The Flaming Lips, Lady Antebellum, Cyndi Lauper & Rob Hyman, John Legend, Panic! at the Disco, Plain White T's, They Might Be Giants, T.I., Domani & Lil' C

Best Leading Actor in a Play

- Anthony Boyle, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"
- Michael Cera, "Lobby Hero"
- Brian Tyree Henry, "Lobby Hero"
- Nathan Lane, "Angels in

Best Featured Actor in a Play

- John Tiffany, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"
- George C. Wolfe, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Direction of a Musical

- Michael Arden, "Once on

Play

- Andrew Garfield, "Angels in America"

■ Tom Hollander, "Travesties"

- Jamie Parker, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

■ Mark Rylance, "Farinelli and the King"

- Denzel Washington, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Leading Actress in a Play

- Glenda Jackson, "Three Tall Women"

■ Cinda Rashad, "Saint Joan"

- Lauren Ridloff, "Children of a Lesser God"

■ Amy Schumer, "Meteor Shower"

Best Leading Actor in a Musical

- Harry Hadden-Paton, "My Fair Lady"

■ Joshua Henry, "Carousel"

- Tony Shalhoub, "The Band's Visit"

■ Ethan Slater, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

Best Leading Actress in a Musical

- Lauren Ambrose, "My Fair Lady"

■ Hailey Kilgore, "Once on This Island"

- LaChanze, "Summer: The Donna Summer Musical"

■ Katrina Lenk, "The Band's Visit"

- Taylor Louderman, "Mean Girls"

■ Jessie Mueller, "Carousel"

Best Featured Actor in a Play

- Marianne Elliott, "Angels in America"

■ Joe Mantello, "Three Tall Women"

- Patrick Marber, "Travesties"

■ John Tiffany, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

- George C. Wolfe, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Direction of a Musical

- Michael Arden, "Once on

America"

- David Morse, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Featured Actress in a Play

- Susan Brown, "Angels in

■ America"

- Noma Dumezweni, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

■ Denice Gough, "Angels in

- Laurie Metcalf, "Three Tall Women"

Best Featured Actor in a Musical

- Norbert Leo Butz, "My Fair Lady"

■ Alexander Gemignani, "Carousel"

- Grey Henson, "Mean Girls"

■ Gavin Lee, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

- Ari'l Stachel, "The Band's Visit"

Best Featured Actress in a Musical

- Ariana DeBose, "Summer: The Donna Summer Musical"

■ Renée Fleming, "Carousel"

- Lindsay Mendez, "Carousel"

■ Ashley Park, "Mean Girls"

- Diana Rigg, "My Fair Lady"

Best Direction of a Play

- Marianne Elliott, "Angels in America"

■ Joe Mantello, "Three Tall Women"

- Patrick Marber, "Travesties"

■ John Tiffany, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

- George C. Wolfe, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Direction of a Musical

- Michael Arden, "Once on

this Island"

- David Cromer, "The Band's Visit"

■ Tina Landau, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

- Casey Nicholaw, "Mean Girls"

■ Bartlett Sher, "My Fair Lady"

Best Choreography

- Rob Ashford, "Frozen"

■ Christopher Gattelli, "Mean Girls"

- Gareth Fry, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

■ Tom Gibbons, "1984"

- Dan Moses Schreier, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Sound Design in a Play

- Adam Cork, "Travesties"

■ Ian Dickinson, "Angels in America"

- Gareth Fry, "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

■ Tom Gibbons, "1984"

- Dan Moses Schreier, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Sound Design in a Musical

- Kai Harada, "The Band's Visit"

■ Peter Hylenski, "Once On This Island"

- Scott Lehrer, "Carousel"

■ Brian Ronan, "Mean Girls"

- Walter Trarbach and Mike Dobson, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

Best Orchestrations

- John Clancy, "Mean Girls"

■ Tom Kitt, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

- Annmarie Milazzo and Michael Starobin, "Once on this Island"

■ Jamshid Sharifi, "The Band's Visit"

- Jonathan Tunick, "Carousel"

Special Tony Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Theater

- Chita Rivera

■ Andrew Lloyd Webber

Special Tony Award

- John Leguizamo

- Bruce Springsteen

■ Ann Roth, "The Iceman Cometh"

Best Costume Design of a Musical

- Gregg Barnes, "Mean Girls"

■ Clint Ramos, "Once on this Island"

- Ann Roth, "Carousel"

■ David Zinn, "SpongeBob SquarePants"

- Catherine Zuber, "My Fair Lady"

Best Lighting Design of a Play

- Neil Austin, "Harry Potter and the Cursed

Summer classical fests beckon

Mark calendar for these among others across the country



JOHN VON RHEIN
Heard & Scene

Within a few weeks, hundreds of U.S. summer festivals of every description will begin to set out their most tempting wares to attract classical-music-loving travelers.

Following is a selective guide to some of the more important and noteworthy of them, presented by region and in alphabetical order. Programs, artists and dates are subject to change and should be verified ahead of time.

Midwest

Des Moines Metro Opera: June 22-July 15; Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa: The 46th festival summer includes company premieres of Dvorak's "Rusalka," Copland's "The Tender Land" and Jonathan Dove's "Flight," along with a new production of Strauss' "Die Fledermaus." 515-961-6221; www.desmoinesmetroopera.org

Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival: June 9-24; Southfield, Mich.: Pianist and artistic director James Tocco is joined by artists including cellist Paul Watkins, pianist Alessio Bax, violinist Leila Josefowicz and the Callisto Quartet. Messiaen's "Quartet for the End of Time" is one highlight of the 25th anniversary season. 248-559-2097; www.greatlakeschambermusic.org

Minnesota Orchestra Som-merfest: July 13-Aug. 1; Minneapolis: The orchestra under music director Osmo Vanska celebrates the Nelson Mandela centennial with a full slate of related events, including Beethoven's Ninth Symphony with South African vocal soloists. Other concerts will explore musical expressions of peace, freedom and reconciliation. 612-371-5656; www.minnesotaorchestra.org

North Shore Chamber Music Festival: June 13-16; Village Presbyterian Church, 1300 Sherman Road, Northbrook: Directors Vadim Gluzman, violin, and Angela Yoffe, piano, welcome pianist William Wolfram, clarinetist Ilya Shterenberg, the Ariel Quartet and young musicians of the Betty Haag Academy of Music. The eighth annual festival includes the U.S. premiere of Estonian composer Peteris Vasks' "Musica Serena." 847-370-3984; www.nscmf.org

Opera Theater of St. Louis: May 19-June 24; Loretto-Hilton Center, Webster University, Webster Groves, Mo.: The 43rd festival season includes the company's 27th world premiere, composer Huang Ru and librettist David Henry Hwang's "An American Soldier." Mezzo-soprano Susan Graham will assume the title role in Marc Blitzstein's "Regina," and soprano Patricia Racette will make her directorial debut with Verdi's "La Traviata." Gluck's "Orfeo ed Euridice" rounds out the season. 314-961-0644; www.opera-stl.org

Peninsula Music Festival: Aug. 7-25; Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek, Wis.: Music director Victor Yampolsky will share baton duties with Alastair Willis and Chris Wild for symphonic concerts built around the musical centers of Vienna, Prague, New York and St. Petersburg, Russia. Artists include pianists Inna Faliks, Andrew Armstrong and Spencer Myer, violinist Tessa Lark and cellists Anna Burden and Riana Anthony. 920-460-4060; www.musicfestival.com

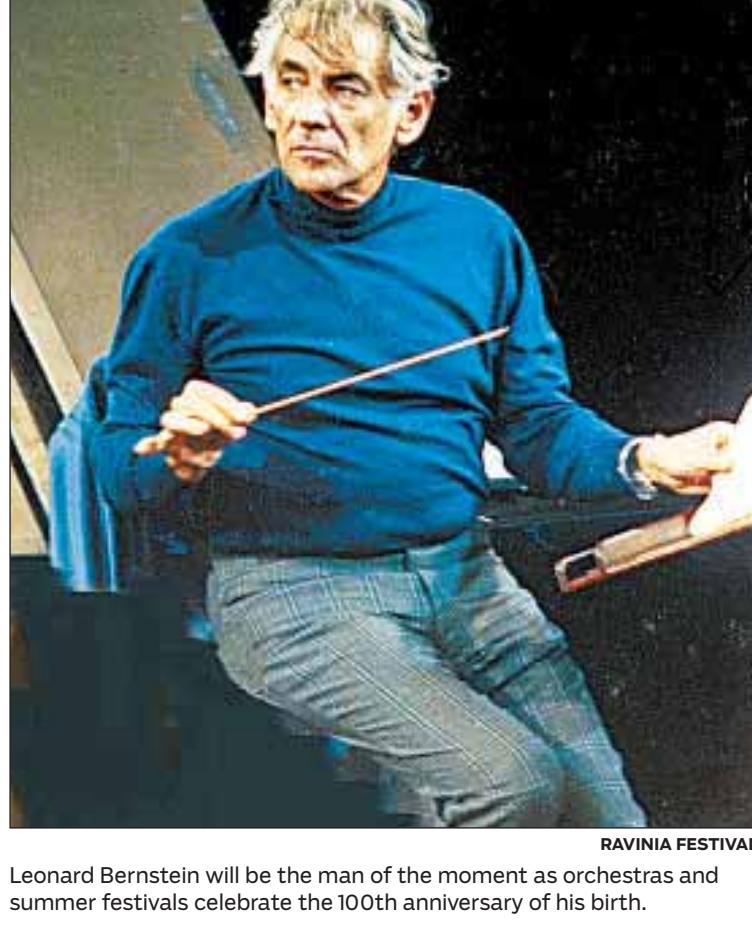
East

Bard SummerScape: June 28-Aug. 19; Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y.: The focus of the final two weeks is music by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov and his Russian contemporaries, with semi-staged performances of "The Tsar's Bride" and "Mozart and Salieri" and programs tracing the legacy of Pushkin. Opening the festival will be Leonard Bernstein's seldom-heard musical "Peter Pan." 845-758-7900; www.fishercenter.bard.edu/summerscape

Blossom Music Festival: July 3-Sept. 2; Blossom Music Center, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio: The Cleveland Orchestra's summer home



Cello Yo-Yo Ma will perform at the Blossom Music Festival in Ohio and at Tanglewood in Massachusetts.



Leonard Bernstein will be the man of the moment as orchestras and summer festivals celebrate the 100th anniversary of his birth.

marks its 50th anniversary and the 50th anniversary of the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus with concerts under Franz Welser-Most, Jahja Ling and others. Chamber music includes Yo-Yo Ma playing the complete Bach solo cello suites. 216-231-1111; www.clevelandorchestra.com/tickets/2018-blossom-schedule

Caramoor: June 16-July 29; Katonah, N.Y.: The seven-week festival, located on a 90-acre estate framed by lush gardens and Italianate architecture, focuses on new music. Works by 22 living composers will be played by the resident Orchestra of St. Luke's, Kronos Quartet and other ensembles. Old music will figure in the mix as well, with Handel's "Atalanta" performed by the Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra. 914-232-1252; www.caramoor.org

Cincinnati May Festival: May 18-26; Cincinnati. The festival celebrates its first season in the renovated Music Hall, a National Historic Landmark built for the festival in 1878. Conductors Juanjo Mena and Eun Sun Kim will preside over choral offerings ranging from the Verdi Requiem and Handel's "Messiah" to Bernstein's "Mass" and "Chichester Psalms." 513-381-3300; www.mayfestival.com

Glimmerglass Festival: July 7-Aug. 25; Cooperstown, N.Y.: The scenic campus on the shore of Otsego Lake is nestled between the Adirondack and Catskill mountains. The season's main-stage productions are Bernstein's "West Side Story," Janacek's "The Cunning Little Vixen," Rossini's "The Barber of Seville" and Kevin Puts' "Silent Night." 607-547-2255; www.glimmerglass.org

Mostly Mozart Festival: July 12-Aug. 12; New York City: An expanded slate of music, theater and dance events will spill over from the Lincoln Center campus to Central Park and Brooklyn. Highlights include Haydn's "Cre-

ation" as staged by the Spanish theater troupe La Fura dels Baus; Ashley Fure's "The Force of Things: An Opera for Objects"; and world premieres from choreographer Mark Morris and composer John Luther Adams. Adams' "In the Name of the Earth," which calls for roughly 800 voices, will be presented in Central Park's Harlem Meer. 212-721-6500; www.mostlymozart.org

Spoletto Festival USA: May 25-June 10; Charleston, S.C.: Two U.S. premieres highlight the operatic portion of this year's multi-arts fest: Donizetti's "Pia de' Tolomei," conducted by Lidiya Yankovskaya, and Liza Lim's "Tree of Codes," led by John Kennedy. Chamber concerts feature countertenor Anthony Roth Costanzo and the JACK and St. Lawrence string quartets. 843-579-3100; www.spolettousa.org

Tanglewood Festival: June 15-Sept. 2; Lenox, Mass.: The summer residence of the Boston Symphony Orchestra will pay homage to the life and legacy of Leonard Bernstein and his singular contribution to the festival, from 1940 to 1990. A packed musical agenda will culminate in a Bernstein centennial gala replete with international figures, including conductors Andris Nelsons, Michael Tilson Thomas and Christoph Eschenbach; cellist Yo-Yo Ma; violinist Midori; and singers Nadine Sierra and Thomas Hampson. Also taking part will be musicians from Bernstein's other orchestras — the New York, Vienna and Israel philharmonics. 888-266-1200; www.bso.org

West

Aspen Music Festival and School: June 28-Aug. 19; Aspen, Colo.: Among the more than 400 performances, master classes and family events will be salutes to Paris, composers of the Diaghilev Ballets Russes, American students of Nadia Boulanger and that

Some (almost) parting words

On a personal note, I would like to announce my upcoming retirement as classical music critic of the Chicago Tribune. When I step down July 1, I will have held this position at the paper for nearly 41 years, a record for Chicago (and perhaps U.S.) musical journalism insofar as I have been able to determine. It's been a great ride, but the time has come to move off into other ventures and give somebody else a shot at one of the best jobs in journalism.

Besides, having turned 72 in September, I wanted to see how it would feel not to have so many sword-of-Damocles deadlines hanging over me.

Serving among some of the sharpest arts writers in the nation, at one of the nation's great newspapers, in a world-class cultural center, is a privilege rarely bestowed on any journalist these days. There is never, ever, a dull moment in the hurly-burly of Chicago classical music. I have beaten innumerable deadlines, written innumerable reviews, feature stories, news stories and calendars. I have traveled the globe covering classical music for my loyal readers back home. I am proud of my work.

I have seen the worlds of music and arts journalism change dramatically over the last four decades, as the world itself has changed. Through it all, you, my readers, have remained engaged and interested. I have learned much from you and have thoroughly enjoyed our lively, sometimes contentious, dialogues. I look forward to seeing many of you at concert and opera performances in the future.

Thank you for being my audience, and for sharing with me the joy of music, in its infinite, inexhaustible variety.

Taking over classical music coverage at the Tribune will be Howard Reich, who has a strong background in music coverage of all kinds, and who will continue covering the jazz beat as well. A graduate of Northwestern University's Bienen School of Music, Howard has written about classical music for the Tribune since 1978, served four times on the jury for the Pulitzer Prize in music and is the author of several books, including a biography of pianist Van Cliburn.

I wish my longtime colleague the very best in his work going forward.

Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival:

July 15-Aug. 20; Santa Fe and Albuquerque, N.M.: Alan Gilbert serves as artist-in-residence, violinist and conductor for a rich variety of offerings, including Arnold Schoenberg's chamber-orchestra arrangement of Mahler's "Das Lied von der Erde," sung by Sasha Cooke and Paul Groves. 505-982-1890; www.santafechambermusic.com

Santa Fe Opera: June 29-Aug. 25; Santa Fe, N.M.: The festival's striking amphitheater, perched on a mesa in the Sangre de Cristo mountains, hosts 36 performances of five operas: Bernstein's "Candide," Strauss' "Ariadne auf Naxos," Puccini's "Madame Butterfly," Rossini's "The Italian Girl in Algiers" and John Adams' "Doctor Atomic." 505-986-5900, 800-280-4654; www.santafeopera.org

Tippet Rise Art Center Festival:

July 6-Sept. 8; Fishtail, Mont.: Tippet Rise is based near the Beartooth Mountains and includes chamber concerts given in the 150-seat Olivier Music Barn and at the Domo, a 98-foot-long, open-air sculptural structure. Performers for the third season include pianists Ingrid Fliter and Yevgeny Sudbin; violinists Vadim Gluzman and Caroline Goulding; and the Borromeo, Calidore, Dover and Escher string quartets. 406-426-5063; www.tippetrise.org

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Kanye's embrace of Trump

Has risk-taking rapper gone too far this time, alienating his fans? Does he care?



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If you believe the 2010 book "The Advanced Genius Theory: Are They Out of Their Minds or Ahead of Their Time?" by Jason Hartley, Kanye West fulfills at least one of the requirements of genius: He's alienated his original fans at least once.

West has spent the last week or so on social media priming his tens of millions of followers for the release of his next solo album. Along the way, he affirmed his support of President Donald Trump, which many of his fans took as a betrayal. A few days ago he released a song, "Ye vs. the People," that addressed the controversy, in the form of a debate with the rapper T.I.

"Y'all been leadin' with hate, see I just approach it different," West raps. "Like a gang truce, the first Blood

to shake the Crip's hand."

Among T.I.'s responses: "This s--- is stubborn, selfish, bullheaded, even for you." More pointedly, T.I. speaks for many West fans who have witnessed the artist's petulant, against-the-grain outbursts before and yet continued to support his career.

"All them times you sounded crazy, we defended you, homie," T.I. raps. "Not just to be let down when we depend on you."

It's no secret that most people of color disapprove of Trump and his divisive policies, as well as statements in which he disparaged African nations and supported racist organizations. A recent Gallup poll found only 6 percent of black Americans approve of his job performance. Yet West has been oddly fascinated with Trump. He paid a visit to Trump Tower in New York soon after Trump was elected president in 2016, and his Tweets supporting Trump last week ("He is my brother. I love everyone") won the president's glowing approval ("Thank you, Kanye, very

cool!"). At a speech in Michigan on Saturday, Trump said, "Kanye gets it," to cheers.

"Ye vs. the People" finds West trying to offer a fuller explanation for his stance, but T.I.'s incredulity remains unshakable. In the end, Kanye ends the debate with the equivalent of a shrug: "Why don't we just cut the beat off and let the people talk."

Classic Kanye: turning controversy into a marketing strategy. But at what price?

West started his career as a rapper by portraying the truth of his life: a middle-class kid from Chicago's South Side who worked at a retail store. He yearned to win over a music industry that contin-

ually underestimated his rapping talents, even when he became a successful producer. When he finally got his shot, he made the most of it and released a string of acclaimed and best-selling albums notable for how they addressed everything from God to his own ambitions with unflinching honesty.

Along the way he distanced himself from the relatable yet needy figure exemplified on his excellent 2004 debut album, "The College Dropout." He remained just as needy, but a good deal more remote and less relatable as he continually sabotaged himself with outrageous statements and stunts, from a long-running feud with Taylor Swift to a midcon-

cert meltdown that abruptly ended his 2016 tour.

"I've been sitting here to give y'all my truth even at the risk of my own life," he said before he exited the stage that night in Sacramento, Calif. "Even at the risk of my own success, my own career."

Yet in the risk-taking equal-opportunity offender category over the last week, West had nothing on comic Michelle Wolf. At the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner, Wolf shredded not just Trump and his minions, but the Washington media corps for exploiting and profiting from its Trump coverage. She didn't make many friends in that room, but that wasn't the point. A

key component of great comedy, and great journalism, music and art for that matter, is about telling the truth, even when it makes everyone else uncomfortable, even when it could make an artist less popular.

West has always played on that tension between provocation and promotion, truth and outrage. Has he gone too far this time? Does he care? Lyrics in the final verse of "Lift Yourself," another, less consequential song released the same day as "Ye vs. the People," may sum up his answer: "Poopy-di scoop, scoop-diddy-whoop."

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Koester sells Delmark label after 65 years

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ing activity. Even so, it was the old Jazz Record Mart — which generated significant revenue in the heydays of LP, cassette and CD sales — that kept Delmark afloat.

"Without the store," says Koester, "the label would have died."

Which makes one wonder why Miller and Barilari were interested in acquiring a record label in an era when downloading and streaming have diminished the profit margins of just about everyone except downloading and streaming services.

"I've wanted to run a record label and recording studio for 25 years — it's been a dream since I was in college," says Miller, who is now president and CEO of Delmark. An adjunct assistant professor of sound at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Miller also works as an instrumentalist, composer, visual artist and curator.

"Delmark is a business with facets," she adds. "It's a record label, but it's also a studio, and it's also a catalog. So this is not starting a record label from scratch. It's a business that has a lot of parts. The business model is much more complex."

Indeed, "We could have started an indie label from scratch — it probably would have been cheaper," says Barilari, an adjunct professor of Latin American music and jazz history at the University of Illinois at Chicago, host of the radio show "Fiesta" on WFMT-FM and co-founder of the Latino Music Festival. He is now Delmark's vice president and artistic director.

"But then you don't have a brand and a catalog and a Chess organ," adds Barilari, referring to the Hammond B-3 from Chicago's legendary Chess Records label that sits in the Delmark studio. "By buying a prestigious label, it's a huge difference. The platform is completely different."

Though the terms of the sale are private, Miller allows that "it's a huge deal" for her and Barilari.

"We are working with investors," adds Miller. "We have a whole strategy in place for that, in terms of the financial projections that we've done."

Says Barilari, "We have a five-year business plan," as well as a course of action for the next several months, particularly as it regards the time-worn facilities.



Delmark Records founder Bob Koester, seated, with producer and studio manager Steve Wagner, from left, and new owners Julia A. Miller and Elbio Barilari.

"Cleaning, reshaping, remodeling, new offices," adds Barilari.

"We'll also be working through the studio equipment," says Miller. "A new computer system for sure."

"Perhaps we'll have an official archive, maybe someone to help Steve with his archiving project. Maybe a gallery space or some gallery performances. We really see ourselves as a center point for musicians and creative performances."

Barilari envisions Delmark working to "attract musicians from South America and Europe — invite musicians to come here."

It's important that we are musicians, and we share the same problems and understand the problems musicians confront in this transitional era where no one knows what's going to happen with the recording industry."

Wagner, who is staying on as studio manager and producer, foresees Delmark possibly creating a publishing company, getting involved in artist management and expanding merchandising.

Delmark "did a fantastic job with DVDs," says Barilari. "We need to let people know that those exist and expand on that. Those are historical documents."

For its first releases under new ownership, Delmark will release a blues anthology marking the label's 65th anniversary; a recording featuring Volcano Radar with reedist and NEA Jazz Master Paquito D'Rivera; an album spotlighting esteemed Chicago guitarist Fareed Haque; and

a collection of previously unreleased recordings by Sun Ra.

All of this will be trumpeted during opening night of the Blues Festival, June 8, which has been announced as a "65th Anniversary of Delmark Records Celebration" in Millennium Park.

"I started the business selling records at St. Louis jazz clubs," recalls Koester, who created his company in that city in 1953 as Delmar, named for a St. Louis street in an area dotted by jazz clubs. He later added the "k" for "Koester," moved to Chicago in 1958 and soon was making music history.

"I guess we made the first AACM records," says Koester, referring to revolutionary music by members of Chicago's Association for the Advancement of Creative Musicians. Albums from Roscoe Mitchell, Joseph Jarman, Anthony Braxton, the Art Ensemble of Chicago and others helped spread the word about the AACM and distinguished Delmark as a purveyor of new ideas in sound. "I didn't realize how good they were. That stuff is over my head."

Through the years, Delmark acquired other labels, such as Apollo, which added to its catalog such lustrous names as Charlie Parker, Dinah Washington and Sir Charles Thompson.

As for the future of the record business, "downloading is killing it," says Koester. "Happily, jazz and blues fans like to have the (physical) product."

"I hope they'll continue recording good music," says Koester of the label's next owners, "whether it's got a

big sale possibility or not.

"When I was doing Roscoe Mitchell and Joseph Jarman, I figured, boy, this is really going to lose me a lot of money. But they're standards now, like recording King Oliver's Creole Jazz Band" in the old days.

Now Miller and Barilari hope to do the same.

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niques with Letterman in a clip of the show released Monday. That interview was taped in New York.

Letterman met with former President Barack Obama, Jay-Z, George Clooney and others for his six-part series. He interviewed University of Chicago student Hazim Avdal — an Iraqi refugee who is being sponsored by Clooney and his wife, Amal — at Clooney's home in Kentucky for a February episode. The series is slated to wrap May 31 with Howard Stern.

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Veteran talk show host David Letterman stops to be in a woman's selfie in February in Lincoln Park.

Letterman episode to feature visit to Chicago

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David Letterman's February visit to Chicago will be shown on an episode of his Netflix show that is scheduled to premiere Friday.

Letterman met with Buddy Guy at the blues legend's South Loop club and the Athenian Room restaurant in Lincoln Park on Feb. 20 for "My Next Guest Needs No Introduction."

The Athenian Room is a favorite of Second City alum Tina Fey, who is the featured guest on Friday's episode. She is shown discussing improv tech-

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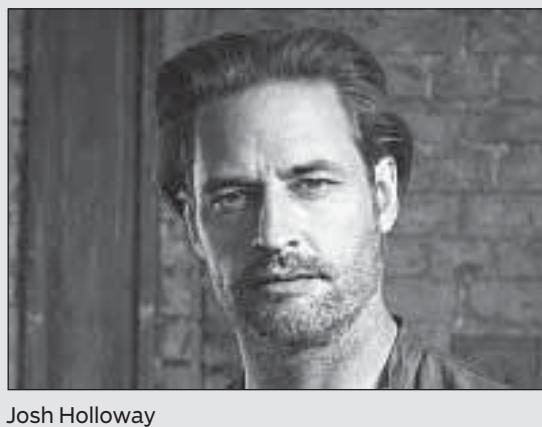


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WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Josh Holloway

"Colony" (9 p.m., USA): Season 3 of this taut thriller opens six months after Will and Katie Bowman (Josh Holloway, Sarah Wayne Callies) escaped from the Los Angeles bloc. The season premiere, "Maquis," finds the Bowmans — and Snyder (Peter Jacobson) — struggling to rebuild their family as they pursue a simple, under-the-radar lifestyle in the mountains. A sudden arrival shatters that calm reality.

"The Blacklist" (7 p.m., NBC): It took a long time for Red's (James Spader) exact connection to Liz (Megan Boone) to be revealed, and his apparent link to someone else generates another mystery in the new episode "Nicholas T. Moore (No. 110)." The person in question is a youngster, and Liz and the Task Force try to figure out what she has to do with Red. Her family's eventual involvement complicates matters — and endangers the girl. Harry Lennix also stars.

"Alex, Inc." (7:30 p.m., ABC): With the podcast about to debut, Alex (Zach Braff) is particularly tuned in — so to speak — to related remarks from others in the new episode "The Internet Trolls." The result doesn't make him feel very good. Aiming to help Soraya (Audrey James) get a high grade on a school project, Rooni (Tyra Sircar) asks Ben (Elisha Henig) to help her, but things don't go as hoped. Michael Imperioli and Hillary Anne Matthews also star.

"Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" (8 p.m., NBC): Rollins (Kelli Giddish) struggles to stay focused on professional considerations, instead of her personal anguish, as she tries to save a youngster whose father (guest star Ray McKinnon) has made the child a literal hostage in the new episode "The Book of Esther." Mariska Hargitay, Ice T and Peter Scanavino also star.

"American Housewife" (8:31 p.m., ABC): The day doesn't begin promisingly for Katie (Katy Mixon), prompting the rest of the family to try to turn her frown upside down in the new episode "Sliding Sweaters," directed by Oscar and Emmy winner Helen Hunt. However, along the lines of the Gwyneth Paltrow movie "Sliding Doors," the way Katie restarts and experiences her day isn't exactly real.

"Code Black" (9 p.m., CBS): A big song-and-dance sequence is part of the new episode "Better Angels," playing into a story about an alleged psychic being treated in the emergency room by Angus and Mario (Harry Ford, Benjamin Hollingsworth). Willis and Rox (Rob Lowe, Moon Bloodgood) try to save a politician and one of his workers after they're involved in a car accident. Dina Meyer guest stars.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Aubrey Plaza; Marlon Williams performs.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): TV hosts Savannah Guthrie and Hoda Kotb; TV personality Robert Irwin; Jaden Smith talks and performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Comic Jim Gaffigan; attorney Michael Avenatti; restaurateur David Chang.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Mike Myers; actress Zazie Beetz; Sugarland performs.*

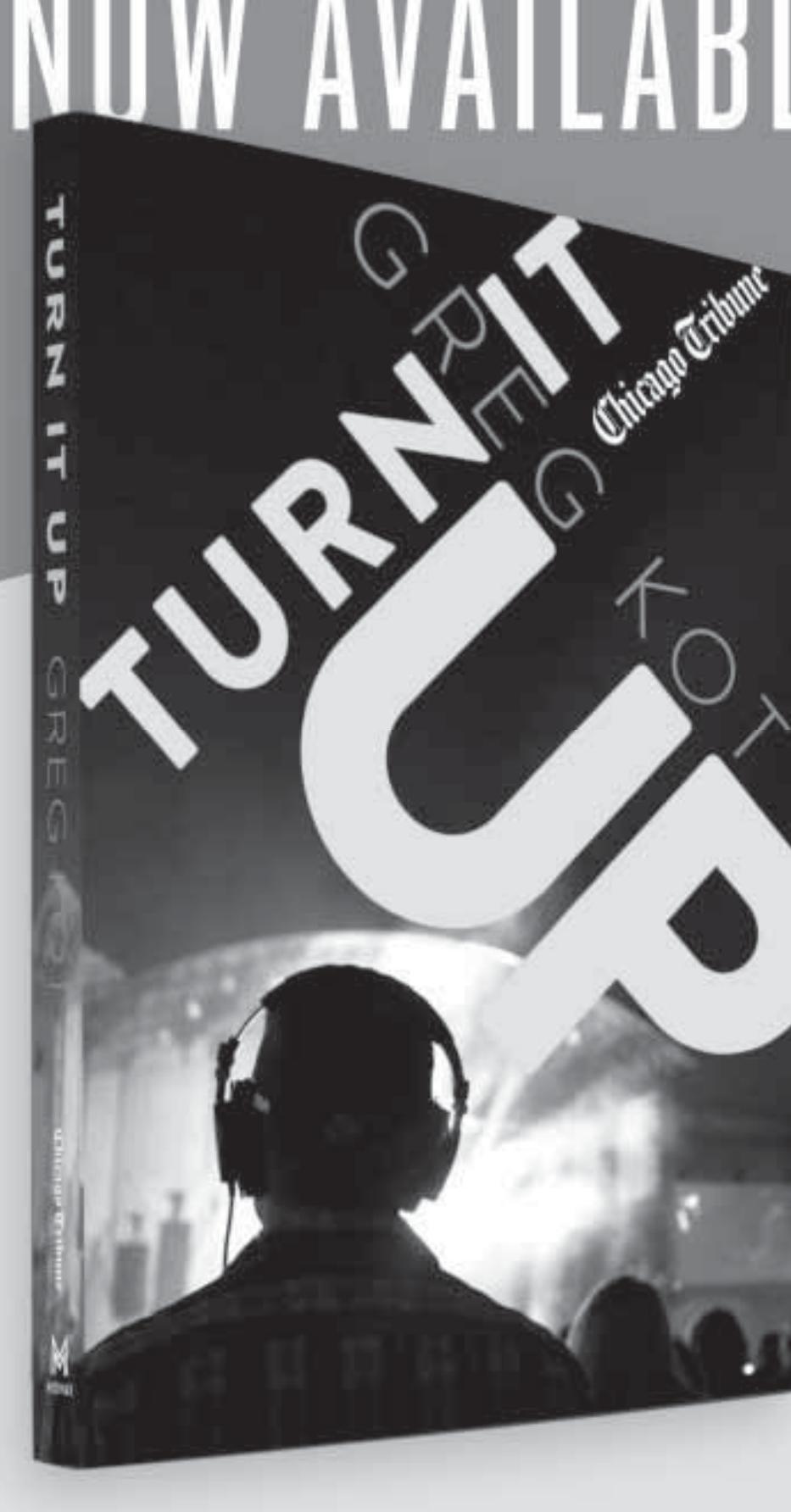
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WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 2

MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Survivor: "The Finish Line Is In Sight." (N) C	(8:01) SEAL Team: "Enemy of My Enemy." (N) C	Code Black: "Better Angels." (N) C	Chicago P.D.: "Allegiance." (N) C	NBC 5 News (N) ♦		
	NBC 5	The Blacklist: "Nicholas T. Moore (No. 110)." (N) C	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N) C					
	ABC 7	The Goldbergs (N) C	Alex, Inc. (N) C	Modern Family (N)	Am Housewife (N) C	Designated Survivor: "Bad Reception." (N) C	News at 10pm (N) ♦	
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men (N) C	Two and a Half Men (N) C	Last Man Standing C	Last Man Standing C	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) C	WGN News at Ten (N)	
	Antenna 9.2	3's Comp. (N) C	Soap C	Benson C	Wings C	Murphy (N) C	Becker C	Coach C
	This TV 9.3	Blue Steel (R, '90) ★★★ Jamie Lee Curtis. C				Death Wish II (R, '82) ★ C		
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Nature: "Natural Born Rebels: Survival." (N) C		NOVA Wonders: "What's Living in You?" (N) C	NOVA (N) C	
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game (N) C	The Game (N) C	Broke Girl (N) C	Broke Girl (N) C	Seinfeld C	
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith (N) C	Andy Griffith (N) C	Gomer Pyle (N) C	WKRP Cinci. (N) C	Hogan Hero (N) C	C. Burnett	
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek: "Charlie X." C		Star Trek: Next Generation (N) C	Star Trek: Deep Space 9 (N) C	Star Trek (N) C		
	Bounce 26.5	Pawn (R, '13) ★★ Forest Whitaker, Michael Chiklis. C			Takers (PG-13, '10) ★★ Matt Dillon. C			
	FOX 32	Empire: "A Lean and Hungry Look." (N) C		Star: "Let the Good Times Roll." (N) C		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)	Modern Family C	
	Ion 38	Law & Order: "Bounty." (N) C		Law & Order (N) C		Law & Order: "Shrunk." (N) C	Law ♦	
	TeleM 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) C		Al otro lado del muro (N) C		Enemigo íntimo (N) C	Chicago (N)	
	CW 50	Riverdale (N) C		The Originals (N) C		Dateline C	Dateline ♦	
	UniMas 60	El Chavo (N) C		La tierra prometida (N) C		Reto 4 elementos (N) C		
	WJYS 62	Salem Baptist Church (N) C		Joyce Meyer (N) C		Paid Prog. (N) C	Paid Prog. (N) C	Monument (N) C
	Univ 66	El rico y Lázaro (N) C		Papá a toda madre (N) C		Por amar sin ley (N) C	Noticias (N) C	
CABLE	AE	Storage Wars (N) C		Storage Wars (N) C		(9:01) Flip Wars (N) C	Storage (N) C	
	AMC	Fury (R, '14) ★★★ Brad Pitt, Shia LaBeouf. C					Lone Rngr ♦	
	ANIM	Tanked C		(8:01) Tanked: Supersized: "Roadtrippin' Tanks." (N) C			Tanked ♦	
	BBCA	Planet Earth: Wild West (N) C		Planet Earth: Wild West (N) C		Planet Earth: Wild West (N) C	Alaska ♦	
	BET	♦ (6:55) Soul Plane (R, '04) ★★ Kevin Hart, Tom Arnold. C				The Players Club (R, '98) ★★		
	BIGTEN	The BIG (N) C		The BIG (N) C		Ohio State (N) C	The BIG (N) C	
	BRAVO	Housewives/NYC (N) C		Housewives/NYC (N) C		Sell It Like Serhart (N) C	Watch (N) C	
	CLTV	News at 7 (N) C		News at 8 (N) C		SportsFeed (N) C	Politics (N) C	
	CNBC	Shark Tank (N) C		Shark Tank (N) C		Staten Island Hustle (N) C	Shark (N) C	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) C		Anderson Cooper 360 (N) C		CNN Tonight (N) C	Tonight (N) C	
	COM	♦ South Park (N) C		South Park (N) C		South Park (N) C	Daily (N) C	
	DISC	Misfit Garage: Fired (N) C		Misfit Garage (Season Premiere) (N) C		Sticker Shock (N) C	Misfit ♦	
	DISN	DuckTales: "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days" C				Stuck (N) C	Stuck (N) C	Raven (N) C
	E!	Hollywood Medium (N) C		Hollywood Medium (N) C		Hollywood Medium (N) C	E! News (N) C	
	ESPN	MLB Baseball: New York Yankees at Houston Astros. (N) (Live)					SportCtr (N) C	
	ESPN2	Rookie (N) C		Rookie (N) C		SportsCenter Special (N) C		
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N) C		Hannity (N) C		The Ingraham Angle (N) C	Fox News (N) C	
	FOOD	Iron Chef Gauntlet (N) C		Iron Chef Gauntlet (N) C		Iron Chef America (N) C	Iron Chef ♦	
	FREE	Famous in Love (N) C		Bring It On (PG-13, '00) ★★ Kirsten Dunst. C		My Partner (N) C	700 Club ♦	
	FX	♦ (6:30) Spectre (PG-13, '15) ★★★ Daniel Craig. C				The Americans (N) C	Americans ♦	
	HALL	Last Man (N) C		The Middle (N) C		The Middle (N) C	Golden Girls (N) C	
	HGTV	Property Brothers (N) C		Property Brothers (N) C		Hunters (N) C	Hunt Int'l (N) C	Boise Boys (N) C
	HIST	American Pickers (N) C		American Pickers (N) C		(9:03) American Pickers (N) C	Pickers (N) C	
	HLN	Forensic (N) C		Forensic (N) C		Forensic (N) C	Forensic (N) C	
	IFC	♦ (6:30) Barbershop (PG-13, '02) ★★ Ice Cube. C				Brockmire (N) C	Barbershop 2: Back (N) C	
	LIFE	Little Women: LA (N) C		Little Women: LA (N) C		My Partner (N) C	Little (N) C	
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes (N) C		Rachel Maddow Show (N) C		The Last Word (N) C	11th Hour (N) C	
	MTV	Jersey Shore--Vacation (N) C				Catfish: The TV Show (N) C	Catfish (N) C	
	NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Chicago Cubs. From (N) C				Wrigley Field in Chicago. (N) C	The Loop (N) C	
	NICK	Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG, '12) ★★ C				Fresh Prince (N) C	Fresh Prince (N) C	
	Ovation	♦ (6:30) Glory (R, '89) ★★★ Matthew Broderick. C				The Wine Show (N) C	Love (N) C	
	OWN	20/20 on OWN (N) C		20/20 on OWN (N) C		20/20 on OWN (N) C	20/20 (N) C	
	OXY	NCIS: "Psych Out." (N) C		NCIS: "Need to Know." (N) C		NCIS: "The Tell." (N) C	NCIS (N) C	
	PARMT	Friends (N) C		Friends (N) C		Adam Sandler. C	Jack (N) C	
	SFY	♦ (6:30) Men in Black II (N) C		The Expanse (N) C		Krypton (N) C	Men Blk 2 (N) C	
	TBS	Big Bang Theory (N) C		Big Bang Theory (N) C		Full (N) C	Conan (N) C	
	TCM	Maisie (NR, '39) ★★ Robert Young. C		Congo Maisie (NR, '40) ★★ Ann Sothern. C		Gold Rush (N) C	Black Ink (N) C	
	TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: "One Ton Family, Part 1." (N) C				(9:02) Skin Tight (N) C	My 600-Lb. Life (N) C	
	TLN	Humanitarian (N) C		Diane (N) C		Exalted (N) C	Tru News (N) C	Robison (N) C
	TNT	♦ NBA Basketball (N) Subject to Blackout. (N) C						
	TOON	King of Hill (N) C		Cleveland (N) C		Burgers (N) C	Burgers (N) C	
	TRAV	Expedition Unknown (N) C		Expedition Unknown (N) C		Locations (N) C	Locations (N) C	
	TVL	Everybody Raymond (N) C		Raymond (N) C		Mom (N) C	Mom (N) C	
	USA	♦ (6:30) Captain America: The First Avenger (N) C		Colony: "Maquis." (Season Premiere) (N) C			Captain A (N) C	
	VH1	Black Ink Crew (N) C		Black Ink Crew (N) C		Hip Hop (N) C	Hip Hop (N) C	
	WE	Bringing Down the House (PG-13, '03) ★★ Steve Martin. C				Black Ink (N) C	Bringing Down the House (N) C	
	WGN America	Cops (N) C		Last Man (N) C		Last Man (N) C	Last Man (N) C	
	HBO	Kong: Skull Island (PG-13, '17) ★★★ Tom Hiddleston. C				Serena (N) C	REAL Sports Gumbel (N) C	
	HBO2	Wyatt Cenac: Barry (N) C		From Hell (R, '01) ★★ Johnny Depp. C			9th Gate (N) C	
	MAX	Invictus (PG-13, '09) ★★★ Morgan Freeman. C				(9:15) Dave (PG-13, '93) ★★★ C		
	SHO	Terms of Endearment (PG, '83) ★★★ C				(9:15) 50/50 (R, '11) ★★★ C		
	STARZ	♦ 28 Days (N) C		Office Space (R, '99) ★★		Hipster Ghosts (N) C	Girlfriend (N) C	
	STZENC	The White Princess (N) C		The White Princess (N) C		(8:59) Premonition (PG-13, '07) ★★★ C		



GO SOMEPLACE QUIET, AND 'TURN IT UP' WITH GREG KOT

Horoscopes

Today's birthday (May 2): Together, you and your partner blossom this year. Organize your itinerary and studies. Reassess assumptions and preconceptions. A summer communications boom leads to family blossoming. Adapt to professional challenges. Winter explorations reveal breakthroughs.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Don't take on more than you can complete by the deadline. Consider logistics and practicalities. Keep detailed written records. Charm others into participating.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 6. Review the budget carefully before agreeing to a purchase or new expense. Postpone an important decision until you're sure. Talk it over with your partner.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Wait to take action until you and your partner are on the same page. Being temporarily overwhelmed could incite sparks. Avoid upsets, and monitor the situation.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Stick to practical objectives with your health, fitness and work. Make plans and connections. Avoid fantasies and distractions. Move one step at a time.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 6. Listen and learn with your family. Moderate a disagreement. Reassure someone who feels left out. Share your thoughts and dreams.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Domestic matters have your attention. Gaining security could mean giving something up. Provide comfort and good sense.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 6. Attempt a compromise in an area of discord. Each can give a little. Outline your plan and budget. Follow through on your promises.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Expenses may be higher than planned. Postpone and research. Communicate with your team for practical solutions. Collaborate your way around an obstacle.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Do without something or give something up for something you want more. Personal discipline overcomes a challenge. Patience comes in handy.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 5. New information challenges old beliefs. Reflect and consider before doing anything. Think of someone who needs you. Avoid sensitivities.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Inspire your team by example.

Listen carefully to avoid conflict. Check the data. Avoid stepping on anyone. Share ideas and resources in your community.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 6. Avoid professional controversy by keeping a low profile and focusing on the job at hand.

Listen carefully to instructions. Look for silver linings.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

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

"Try unplugging it and throwing it out the window."

Bridge

North-South vulnerable, North deals

North
♦ A K 10 7 5
♥ Q
♦ K Q 6
♣ A J 10 6

East
♠ J 8 6
♥ K 9 7
♦ J 10 2
♣ K 8 7

West
♠ Q 9 2
♥ A 6
♦ 8 5 4 3
♣ Q 9 5 2

South
♠ 4 3
♥ 10 8 5 4 3 2
♦ A 9 7
♣ 4 3

Most experts will respond to partner's opening bid whenever they hold an ace. That will occasionally lead to a very bad final contract, needing a magic trick by declarer for success. The four heart contract in today's deal seems to have five losers — four trumps and a club. Watch what happened when Italian star Lorenzo Lauria played the

hand. Lauria and his partner, Alfredo Versace, have been recognized as one of the best pairs in the world for about 30 years.

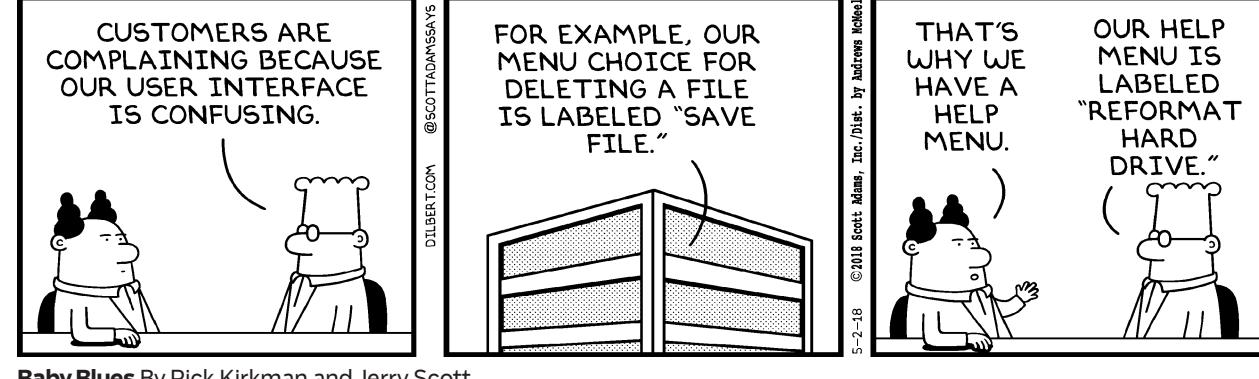
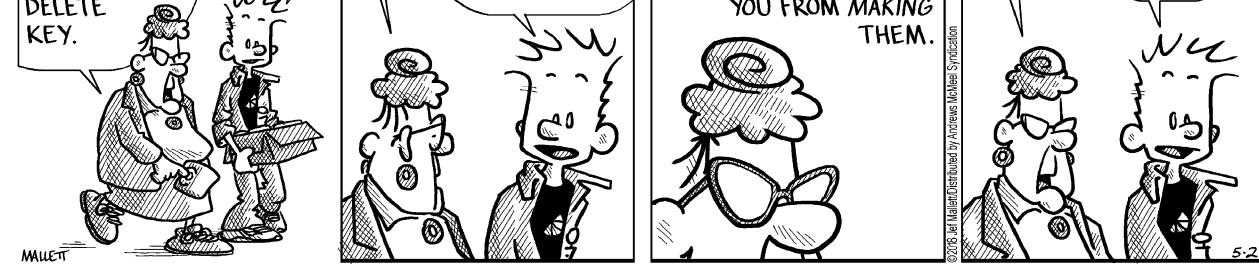
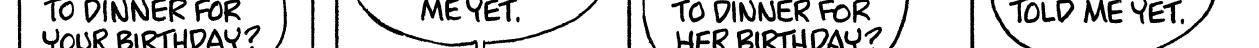
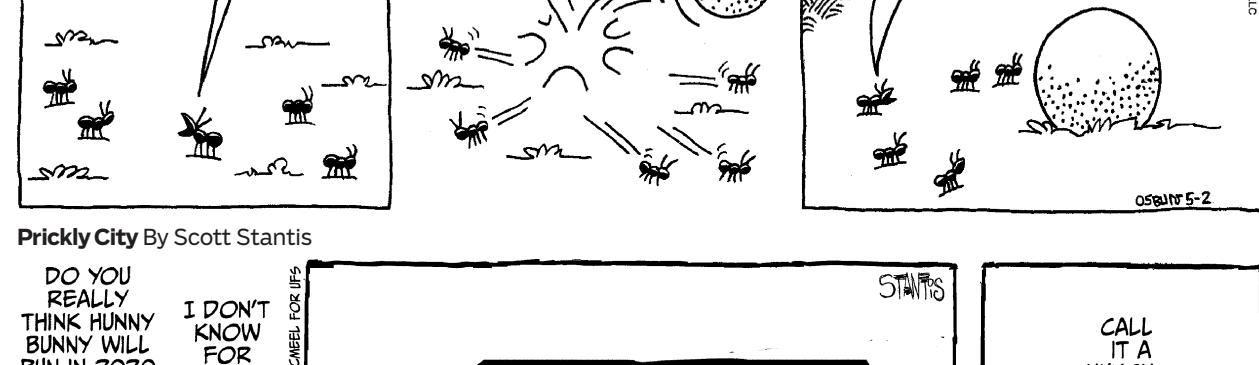
Lauria won the opening diamond lead with dummy's king and led the queen

of hearts. East covered with the king, of course, and was delighted when that held the trick. Lauria won the diamond continuation with his ace, then cashed the ace and king of spades in dummy and ruffed a spade. A low heart then went to West's now singleton ace as dummy discarded a club.

A club shift might have defeated the contract, but West persevered with a third round of diamonds to dummy's queen. Lauria led a good spade from dummy, hoping East would ruff. East discarded a club, instead, but so did Lauria. Declarer now ruffed dummy's good spade to reduce his trump length to two, the same as East, and then led a club to dummy's ace.

In the two-card end position, Lauria led a club from dummy and scored his 10 of trumps "en passant." Magic!

— Bob Jones
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

NORMAL HIGH: 66°

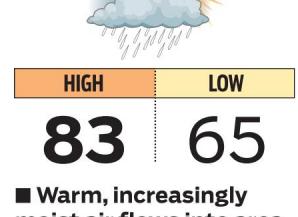
NORMAL LOW: 44°

RECORD HIGH: 91° (1959)

RECORD LOW: 27° (1875)

Chance of severe storms follows spring warmth

LOCAL FORECAST



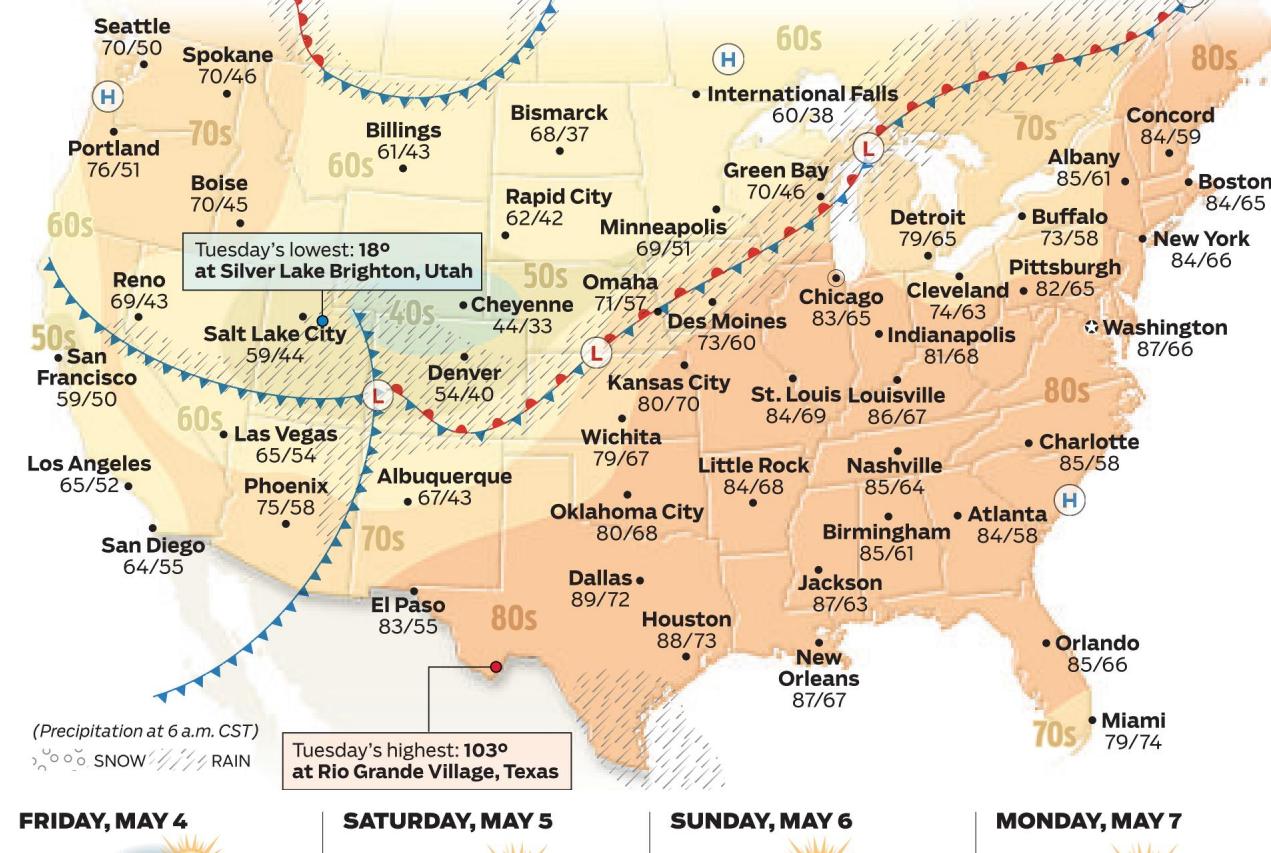
■ Warm, increasingly moist air flows into area on wings of SW winds gusting to 30 mph.

■ More clouds than sun. Warm, more humid. A chance of t-storms in northernmost portions of area early. Chance of t-storms area-wide later in the afternoon with increasing coverage of potentially strong t-storms overnight.

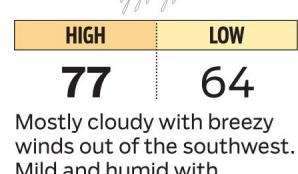
■ High temperatures in the low to mid 80s.

■ Locally heavy rainfall possible, especially during the overnight hours where some locations could receive as much as an inch in a heavy downpour.

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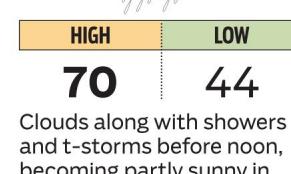
THURSDAY, MAY 3



Mostly cloudy with breezy winds out of the southwest. Mild and humid with scattered thunderstorms likely, especially late in the afternoon into the overnight hours. Severe storms possible. Highs 75-80.



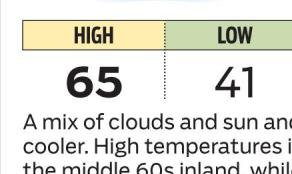
FRIDAY, MAY 4



Clouds along with showers and t-storms before noon, becoming partly sunny in the afternoon. Turning cooler with highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Winds shift to the NW. Partly cloudy overnight.



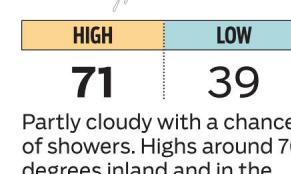
SATURDAY, MAY 5



A mix of clouds and sun and cooler. High temperatures in the middle 60s inland, while an east to northeast breeze keeps readings closer to 50 along the lakefront. Partly cloudy overnight.



SUNDAY, MAY 6



Partly cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs around 70 degrees inland and in the 50s along the lakefront. North to northeast winds.



MONDAY, MAY 7



Mostly sunny and mild. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s. Clear skies overnight. Light winds.



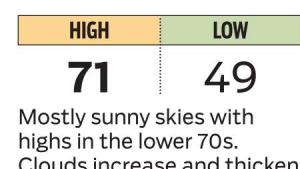
Temperatures surged into the mid-80s Tuesday, some 20 degrees above normal and just a few degrees shy of the record high for May 1 established in 1951.

The very warm weather with southwest winds gusting to 30 mph and 20 to 30 percent relative humidity values, combined with very dry vegetation, triggered scattered brush fires that kept fire departments busy.

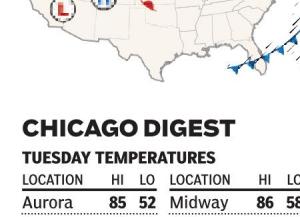
Moisture will increase over the Chicago area during the next 24 to 36 hours, and as a cold front approaches from the west, the air overhead will become increasingly more unstable. Thunderstorm chances will rise later Wednesday afternoon with widespread strong to severe storms Wednesday night into Thursday.

Locally, heavy rains of up to an inch or more will be possible.

TUESDAY, MAY 8



Mostly sunny skies with highs in the lower 70s. Clouds increase and thicken overnight. Southerly winds.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
This past April is "officially" the fourth-coldest on record. But the official readings for the three colder years were taken on the lakefront. Where would this April rank using lakefront temperatures?

— Joe Meyer,
Mount Prospect

Dear Joe,
Great question as it's always best to compare apples with apples. Chicago's official temperatures were taken at lakefront locations before official observation was moved inland to Midway Airport in mid-1942 and then to O'Hare in 1980. The three Aprils colder than this year's 41.2 degrees were all recorded near the lake — 38.8 degrees in 1874; 39.8 degrees in 1907; and 40.7 degrees in 1904. This April, the average temperature at Northerly Island was 39.7 degrees, which would make it second-coldest. In April, the chilly lake water lowers daytime highs and elevates overnight lows.

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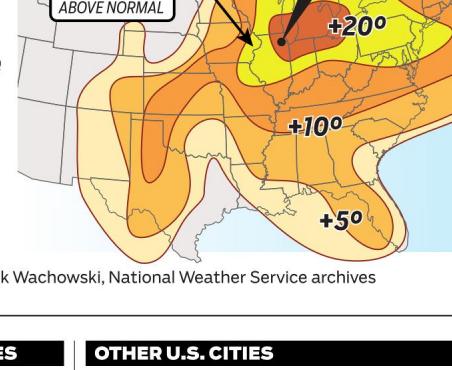
July-level warmth to pave way for drenching thunderstorms

CHICAGO AREA'S IN FOR A SOAKING!

Estimated total rainfall through Friday



JULY-LEVEL OPENING—MAY 2018 WARMTH
Tuesday temperature departures from normal
Tuesday's observed high temps



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

CHICAGO'S WARMEST MAY OPEN IN 26 YEARS!

Chicago's Tuesday high:

86° O'HARE

86° MIDWAY

Normal May 1 high temp: 65°

The only years in Chicago with a warmer May 1st:

90° 1951

89° 1952

88° 1992

SUNNY JULY-LEVEL WARMTH!

Highest area max temps:

Wrigleyville 87° Valparaiso 86°

Joliet 87° Alsip 86°

River Forest 87° Lincoln Park 86°

Elmhurst 86° Schaumburg 86°

Hillwood Hts. 86° Merrillville 86°

Hickory Hills 86°

(SPEEDS IN MPH)

Peak area wind gusts:

Kenosha 44

Harvard 43

Waukegan 43

Crystal Lake 39

British School 39

Chicago 39

Aurora 37

Glenview 37

Bolingbrook 37

Lowell 37

East Chicago 36

(SPEEDS IN MPH)

CHICAGO DIGEST

TUESDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	85	52	Midway	86	58
Gary	86	54	O'Hare	86	60
Kankakee	82	49	Romeoville	84	53
Lakefront	83	59	Valparaiso	86	59
Lansing	87	55	Waukegan	85	57

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2018 NORMAL
Tue. (through 7 p.m.)	0.00" 0.11"
May to date	0.00" 0.11"
Year to date	10.64" 9.51"

WEDNESDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS

7 a.m. 3 hours, 20 minutes

1 p.m.* 30 minutes

4 p.m. Burn unlikely

SOURCE: Dr. Bryan Schultz *Peak intensity

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

Wind SW 12-26 kts. W 5-16 kts.

Waves 1-3 feet 1 foot

Tue. shore/crib water temps 49°/44°

TUESDAY PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN LEVEL

Tree High

Grass Low

Mold Low

Ragweed 0

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SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Count, Dr. Joseph Leija

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WEDNESDAY RISE/SET TIMES

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WEDNESDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET RISE SET

Mercury 4:55 a.m. 5:26 p.m.

Venus 7:08 a.m. 10:13 p.m.

Mars 1:19 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Jupiter 8:12 p.m. 6:20 a.m.

Saturn 12:12 a.m. 9:25 a.m.

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION

Mercury Not visible

Venus 8:45 p.m. 14.5° WNW

Mars 4:45 a.m. 23.5° SSE

Jupiter 1:15 a.m. 32° S

Saturn 4:45 a.m. 26° S

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

POUR MAN

Chicago Tribune

HEALTH & FAMILY



MARSHALL TIDRICK/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Katie Haupt turned to yoga as a coping mechanism after growing up in Lake County with a father who abused drugs and alcohol. Her father died in 2013. Now 31, Haupt teaches a yoga class in the park in Cibolo, Texas. "I want to help other people who are like my dad," she says.

Children of addiction face adult challenges

Growing up with parents who have substance abuse problems often leaves scars

BY LAUREN CHVAL
Chicago Tribune

When he was a child, maybe 7 or 8 years old, Fred Nelson remembers what would happen when his mother and her boyfriend drank. After a few beers, they would start arguing, then the boyfriend would hit her.

"I knew then that there was a problem," said Nelson, now 54. "I knew that something wasn't right about all of that."

Children are adaptable and often don't know anything but their own "normal." But Nelson's youthful intuition was remarkably accurate.

Alcohol or other substance abuse by a parent is considered an adverse childhood experience, or ACE. In 1998, a group of psychologists coined the term in one of the largest investigations of the effects of childhood abuse and neglect on later-life health and well-being. That study — and others that followed — revealed a relationship between ACEs and negative well-being throughout life.

Nelson's mother was an alcoholic. Now, so is he.

John Bachman is a psychologist who specializes in addictive behaviors and disorders, and the generational tale that Nelson shares wouldn't surprise him. According to Bachman, the majority of his patients suffering from addiction have extraordinarily traumatic pasts. In many cases, that includes coming from a household where a primary caregiver struggled with substance abuse as well.

"With kids growing up in families where one or more members are struggling with addiction, the issue is the inattention to the child's needs that the drug-addicted parent dem-

onstrates," Bachman explained. "One of the hallmark diagnostic features of opioid drug dependence is that there's a constant craving for the high. There's compulsive behavior around getting the next dose, and there's a sense of, 'To hell with the consequences. Getting high is much more important than changing a diaper.'

Katie Haupt was a few years older than Nelson when she first understood her father had a problem. Growing up in Lake County, she said her dad always drank and had drugs around the house, but she thought that's just what adults did. But around 11 or 12, when she started inviting friends to sleep over, Haupt realized her father's behavior was out of the ordinary.

"My dad would be barbecuing or whatever, and then he'd start drinking. Then some kind of argument would happen and it would turn really violent and loud," said Haupt, who now lives in Texas. "And my friends would get scared that they were in danger, and to me I was like, 'Oh, no, he's not going to mess with us. They're just arguing.' I was just so used to this. 'Don't be scared. This is normal.' But for them, it was not normal and they wanted to go home."

The National Institute on Drug Abuse estimates that a quarter of children in the U.S. grow up in households where there is substance abuse, and studies suggest that children of addicts are eight times more likely to develop an addiction of their own.

A pyramid depicts the conceptual framework for the ACE study. Adverse childhood experiences make up the base, and each level escalates from there: disrupted neurodevelopment to

social, emotional and cognitive impairment to adoption of health-risk behaviors to disease, disability and social problems. The tip of the pyramid is early death.

Nelson's childhood was plagued by ACEs. Beyond witnessing his mother's alcoholism and abuse, he struggled in school and got involved with street gangs. He said a female relative sexually abused him when he was as young as 5 years old, a secret he kept from his family for decades in fear of creating problems.

Built on that base, his adult life followed the troubling and dangerous progression of the ACE pyramid. Nelson struggles with alcohol and cocaine addiction. He said he has been diagnosed bipolar, and he contracted HIV under the influence of drugs. He has been in and out of prison and rehab. Right now, he is homeless.

Nelson receives help from Heartland Alliance Health, a Chicago organization that works in communities across the U.S. to serve those who are homeless or living in poverty. He has been attending its therapy sessions for years. Joan Lautaud, Heartland's senior director of clinical operations, said destructive behavior is a common reaction for children of substance abuse, but pointed out that the unhealthy pathologies aren't limited to substance problems.

"It's very common for these children to develop addictions of their own. And when I talk about addiction, I mean broad-based," she said. "So it could be some sort of compulsive behavior. ... That's on top of things that most people struggle with, more typical things like identity development or self-worth."

Haupt, now 31, never battled drug or alcohol abuse, but she realized she ate and shopped compulsively when she was emotional or unhappy.

"It was partially because when things got really crazy, my mom would say, 'Oh let's go shopping.' To escape. To get away from this, let's cover it up and pretend it's OK by doing that," Haupt said. "It wasn't until later that I realized that it's not healthy to cover up pain. You have to kind of figure it out, deal with it, face that pain, instead of burying it down. That's why people get addicted, because they get addicted to not feeling pain."

Lautaud elaborated that the compulsive behavior often manifests as co-dependent caregiving or a desire to overcommit. Bachman also noted that even if people break the cycle of substance abuse, they may continue to seek out the sort of treatment they received as children.

"In adulthood, oftentimes a child raised in that neglectful environment will seek out other adults who will behave in similar ways," Bachman said. "Or the child who has now become the adult, that person's default behavior is to treat others with neglect and abuse. That's what his or her role model taught him or her."

Many of those unhealthy behaviors continue to manifest themselves in Nelson's life today.

"I come from what they call a dysfunctional family. I have a lot of resentment," Nelson said. "So when I think about those things, that's enough to make me feel like, I don't know — it's not like I can't be happy and have a good life, but sometimes that plays a part in why I act out the way I

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Program lets moms keep kids while getting clean

BY ALISON BOWEN
Chicago Tribune

*Staying clean is in fact my number-one goal
but I am craving drugs and alcohol*

*I know I shouldn't based on how much it caused me to fall
I'm not going to lie
I want it, and I want it all*

Armone Mays knew she had to do something about her addiction. It had cost her a job she enjoyed, precious moments as a present parent to her baby girl and the self-respect that came with saying, "I will never do cocaine."

Mays tried to get clean. But she was hooked on cocaine, next meth, then both, combined. She wrote poetry, including the lines above, cataloging her cravings.

Eventually, she said, at an Illinois facility where she sought help, employees concerned about her mental wellness separated her from her daughter.

And that was the moment she stopped caring about getting better.

"All I could think of was my baby," said 19-year-old Mays, her cadence slow and steady. "I did not care about treatment."

Mays is one of thousands of Chicagoans who have struggled with addiction. Data are dismal — according to the Illinois Department of Public Health, in 2016, the most recent data available, records show 2,351 people statewide died from a drug overdose. That's up from 1,579 people in 2013. Nationally, overdoses are rising. Last year, overdose was the leading cause of death for Americans under 50.

Many struggling to get clean are parents. Some, like Mays, worry that recovery means making a choice between keeping their children and getting well.

In 2017, Mays spent six months living on a nondescript West Side corner at the Maryville St. Monica Program, which lets moms live with their children while recovering from addiction. The program, open since October 2016, is one of several run by Maryville Academy, a Catholic organization with programs for children and families. Its West Side program is the only one that allows moms and kids to stay together.

"These are very important ways at one, preserving family unity, and two, maximizing maternal treatment," said Dr. Mishka Terplan, an associate director in addiction medicine at Virginia Commonwealth University. "A mom stable in recovery is best for the kid and for the family and for everyone."

But these options are rare, said Terplan, who researches women and their recovery from addic-

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Armone Mays, 19, could stay with daughter Amina, 2, at Maryville.

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Arnone Mays, holding 2-year-old daughter Amina, graduated from the Maryville St. Monica Program in June.

Kids can inspire moms

Mothers, from Page 1

tion. Creating space where moms stay with children requires special logistics. Facilities, for example, need staff who are trained to work with children, a building safe for kids and a way for them to continue schooling.

Parents, he said, encounter "the classic double bind — you can go to treatment, which you need, but you won't be able to care for your kid, who you could then lose."

Recovering from addiction is an uphill challenge. People patching together their lives confront severed relationships, damaged work histories and housing hurdles. Not to mention the constant battle to stay clean.

Allowing kids to stay with parents can remove barriers — many might not acknowledge a problem if they fear losing their child — as well as provide a centralized support. At the Maryville facility in Chicago's West Town neighborhood, women get employment and housing help alongside access to counselors.

Like many moms, Mays worried that admitting her struggles would mean losing custody. "When I was slipping, I wish I knew you could take your baby and go into treatment," she said.

Keeping parent and child together becomes both a comfort and a cause.

"I wouldn't have felt the sense of purpose that I felt while trying to get better," Mays said. "I wouldn't have been determined to wake up every day and do it right if she wasn't with me."

But not every parent is a good fit for the program. Parents deemed unable to care for children, for example, would not be recommended by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, which refers most of the mothers to Maryville.

Some mothers are or have been homeless. And many, Ivory said, did not experience positive parenting examples during childhood.

Since its opening, Maryville has served 41 women and 76 children. So far, 21 women suc-

cessfully finished the program; some are still in the home, others chose to leave or were asked to leave.

"Relapse is not an uncommon part of recovery," said therapist Sarah Pope, clinical director of residential programs. After an initial assessment, clinicians create a personalized treatment plan. For most moms, it's not their first time trying to get clean.

"That's very common with addiction," Pope said. "Once addiction grabs ahold of you, it is a lifelong battle to stay clean."

The six-month program treats women ages 18 to 35 and children up to age 10. Two adjoining buildings house 22 dormlike rooms, where moms sleep in a twin bed next to a child's bed or crib. Each room has a minifridge and closet. On the same property is the clinic, where moms can meet with addiction counselors and receive medication depending on their treatment plan.

On a recent morning, Spanish rice and tortillas sat on the kitchen counter ahead of a cooking lesson, and an outdoor playground was filled with toys like basketballs and tricycles. Stacks of games and books in shared areas included Apples to Apples and "The Very Fairy Princess."

Square pieces of paper with motivational quotes were taped by bedroom doors. They said things like, "Don't be pushed by your problems. Be led by your dreams," and "There is no force equal to a woman determined to rise." Women in the program used markers to brighten certain words.

Many of their stories carry common threads — an experiment with one drug followed by trying another until life, as it was, became unrecognizable.

For years, Mays avoided drugs, even as her friends tried ecstasy, acid, coke. "I'd say, 'No, I never want to touch that in my life,'" she said.

After struggles in high school, she took classes online and earned a high school diploma from Penn Foster. She planned to enroll at City Colleges of Chicago and eventually become a gynecologist.

ogist. Instead, she became pregnant at 16.

After giving birth to her daughter, Amina, she logged 40-hour weeks at Wendy's, where she liked working the cash register and interacting with customers.

Sometimes she smoked weed. But her friends, she said, urged her to "grow up." They meant, try cocaine.

So one afternoon before her fast-food shift, she thought, "Why not?"

"When I did it, I fell in love with it," she said. "And I knew that my life was never going to be the same again."

Mays is not proud of what followed. She began a regular habit. She did drugs with Amina in the room. "That's not what a good mother does," she said. And she remembers what she feels certain was an overdose, asking other people if they saw lights and begging them to call an ambulance.

She entered Maryville in December 2016 and graduated last June. When she and Amina go back to visit, employees lift the grinning toddler high in the air. The bubbly little girl has lived a quarter of her life at the facility.

On a recent afternoon, carefully straightening her daughter's vest in their tidy two-bedroom apartment, Mays said this experience altered her goals. Now, she said, she hopes to take classes toward becoming a social worker.

She is aware of the odds against her. Some people who finished the program have relapsed into drugs. Recently, one friend died.

"I'm determined to not go back the same road," she said while lifting Amina onto her lap. "It's too much to lose."

That was my old story, something that happened back then. I learned that in this world there are no friends.

I have a child to look after, so please disregard my sins. I am thankful for all the help I received.

I see victory in my future based on everything I've achieved

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Vaping may lead teens to smoke pot, study says

BY DENNIS THOMPSON

HealthDay

Teens who use e-cigarettes may be more likely to try marijuana in the future, especially if they start vaping at a younger age, a new study shows.

More than 1 in 4 teenagers who reported e-cigarette use eventually progressed to smoking pot, according to the survey of more than 10,000 teens.

That compared with just 8 percent of non-vapers, said lead researcher Hongying Dai, senior biostatistician with Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

Further, teens who started vaping early had a greater risk of subsequent marijuana use.

Kids ages 12 to 14 who used e-cigarettes were 2.7 times more likely to try marijuana than their peers, compared with a 1.6 times greater risk for teens who tried vaping between 15 and 17.

"Our findings suggest that the widespread use of e-cigarettes among youth may have implications for uptake of other drugs of abuse beyond nicotine and tobacco products," Dai said.

For the study, Dai and her colleagues twice surveyed 10,364 kids aged 12 to 17 — once in 2013-14, and again a year later.

The researchers found that teens who'd reported using e-cigarettes in the first wave were more likely to have tried marijuana for the first time during the subsequent year.

Results also showed that 12- to 14-year-olds who had tried e-cigs were 2.5 times more likely to become heavy marijuana users, smoking pot at least once a week.

Worse still, the researchers found that the more often young teens used e-cigarettes, the more likely they were to either try marijuana or become a



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Dai said the nicotine contained in e-cigarette vapor could be altering the brain chemistry of young teens.

"The brain is still developing during the teen years; nicotine exposure might lead to changes in the central nervous system that predisposes teens to dependence on other drugs of abuse," Dai said.

It's also possible that experimenting with e-cigarettes might increase a teen's curiosity about marijuana, and reduce any worries about marijuana use, Dai added.

Additionally, kids who use e-cigarettes could be more likely to run with a crowd that tries other substances, said Dai and Dr. Scott Krakower, assistant unit chief of psychiatry at Zucker Hillside Hospital in Glen Oaks, N.Y.

"E-cigarettes are going to be in the same drug culture as other things," Krakower said.

These findings should be concerning to parents because kids might not stop at trying marijuana, he said.

"If you go to marijuana, is that going to lead to pills? Is that going to lead to something else?"

Krakower said. "When we see progression to another substance, it's like the 'and

then what' cascade — they went to marijuana, and then what?"

Since this is a survey, it can't prove a cause-and-effect relationship. And it's possible that wild, risk-taking teens who try e-cigarettes are predisposed to be adventurous with other drugs, Dai and Krakower said.

But Dai said her team took that into account, and even after adjusting for sensation seeking, "ever e-cigarette use was still significantly associated with subsequent marijuana use," Dai added.

Krakower recommends parents look for warning signs of e-cigarette use — marked irritability, hiding things, skirting the truth — and put their foot down.

"There should be zero tolerance for this kind of behavior," Krakower said.

Gregory Conley, president of the American Vaping Association, agreed.

"E-cigarettes are adult products and are not intended for youth of any age," Conley said. "We agree with the authors' conclusion that more education is needed to help young people understand the consequences of using age-restricted products and illicit drugs."

The new study was published online in April in the journal Pediatrics.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Celery seed extract may help in gout control, joint pain

BY JOE GRAEDON
AND TERESA GRAEDON

King Features Syndicate

Q: I've had knee pain for the past 10 years or so. Taking turmeric helped it quite a bit.

I also have gout. When I read that celery seed extract could control my uric acid level and help my gout, I started taking it too. The celery seed extract has really helped my gout, but to my surprise, my knee pain subsided almost completely.

I'm walking several miles a day now. An orthopedic surgeon had said that my knee was too far gone for any arthroscopic surgery, just bone on bone, with nothing left to repair. He thought the only resolution was knee replacement.

A: Celery (*Apium graveolens*) is a vegetable that dates back many centuries. The seeds have long been prized for their ability to lower inflammation (Progress in Drug Research, online, July 31, 2015).

Elevated levels of uric acid are responsible for gout. Celery contains an ingredient that inhibits the enzyme xanthine oxidase, which produces uric acid in the body (Food Chemistry, Dec. 15, 2013). While we could find no clinical trials to support this natural approach, the mechanism is plausible. We've heard from other readers that celery seed extract can aid in gout control.

Q: You have sometimes answered questions about foot odor, but I've never seen the remedy that worked for us. Years ago, my husband had this problem. It was hard to be in the same room with him after he removed his shoes.

This natural product dampens the activity of cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2), somewhat like how celecoxib does. Bromelain seems to have fewer side effects, however.



MICHELLE ARNOLD/EYEEM

Celery seeds have long been prized for helping to lessen inflammation. They may also help lower uric acid levels.

A: A friend had grown up in Arkansas with lots of home remedies. She told us to put 2 tablespoons of 20 Mule Team Borax in each shoe overnight. It worked like magic.

A: Borax has long been used as a laundry additive, water softener and deodorizer. This mineral is toxic to pets, so shoes with this powder should be kept away from cats and dogs. Remove the Borax carefully before wearing the shoes again. It should not be inhaled.

Another reader suggests spraying the interior of smelly shoes with vodka and allowing that to dry overnight.

Q: I am an advanced practice registered nurse with ailing joints and suspected fibromyalgia. Does it make sense to try bromelain or other anti-inflammatory enzymes?

A: Bromelain is a mixture of enzymes extracted from pineapple. It has been used to promote wound healing and fight inflammation (Biomedical Reports, September 2016).

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Q: You listed the benefits of black pepper but neglected a caveat: Some people plagued with rosacea, like me, have found relief by avoiding all peppers, including black.

A: Rosacea is a skin condition that leads to redness, flushing and eventually bumps on the face. There are a number of triggers that may make rosacea worse, including alcohol, dairy products, caffeine and sugar substitutes. Some people find that spices like red or black pepper also can spark a flare-up.

One study found that people with rosacea frequently had small intestinal bacterial overgrowth (Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, July 2008).

Treating the bacterial imbalance resulted in substantial improvement of skin symptoms. Dr. Robynne Chutkan suggests eating leafy green veggies, legumes and other high-fiber foods, and avoiding sugar and highly processed carbs.

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How porn is affecting kids

Advocates say easy accessibility, early exposure lead to addiction



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With the internet and smartphones, pornography is available to kids when they're younger and their brains are still developing — a potential public health crisis of the digital age.

BY DARCEL ROCKETT

Chicago Tribune

If liquor companies had vending machines outside their buildings and to buy some, you had to press a button that asked: Are you 21? Yes or no? Would you, as a parent, stand for it?

Anti-pornography advocates say the answer would be no — and the same should apply to online porn sites.

Eleven is the average age a child is first exposed to porn. And 94 percent of kids will see porn by age 14.

Documentary filmmaker Jared Brock says he saw porn for the first time when he was 10. Former porn addict David Paisley, 29, was around 11 or 12 — that's when the internet came into his home.

"I might have snuck pictures from a catalog before, but when the internet came ... then I could get anything I wanted. It got really bad in high school, it was a free-for-all," he said.

Gone is the porn of yesteryear, when materials were behind beaded curtains in the video store or

in brown bags on newsstands. Type the word sex into a search engine, and get a screen full of hardcore pornography in less than five seconds, Brock said.

And it's available 24/7 on handheld devices, which means younger children are seeing hardcore porn at a time when their brains are still developing and the dopamine rush that porn elicits can lead to addiction, said Gary Wilson, author of "Your Brain on Porn."

Brock co-directed the 2016 documentary "Over 18," which examines pornography and its effects on young people. He is one of many advocating for meaningful age verification on porn sites.

The U.K. plans to implement its age verification system by the end of 2018, after a delay this month. It requires porn sites to verify ages through a third party or face penalties, including paying hundreds of thousands of dollars per incident.

"Wouldn't it be nice for this next generation of kids, if they just simply didn't have access to

(porn), so that when they Google "chicks" or "Hawaii" or "girls" or "sisters" or "stepmoms" — they're not going to find crazy, violent sexual imagery?" Brock asked. "This is a child-protection issue. We want to protect our kids, so we don't have a generation growing up objectifying women, treating the opposite gender like sexual objects and boys being treated like they're animals — like they can't control their sex drives."

Paisley, an Elmira, Ontario, resident, recalls being addicted to porn.

"When I got my first laptop, my mom would wonder why I was so tired. I would stay up 3 to 4 a.m. viewing pornography, get a few hours of sleep, go to school, come home and watch more porn through the night," he said.

"At that age, you're so overstimulated by it that you don't know what to do with it. It's not something you've experienced before. The only way I can think about it is an addiction, desperate for that fix; when I should have been out developing skills,

playing sports, reading books, I was absorbed in pornography for hours and hours, days at a time."

A variety of studies from around the world describe the effects of porn on young males. Wilson's 2014 book describes many of these effects and links porn use to depression, as well as erectile dysfunction. Relationships are also affected: "The intense stimulation of today's porn hijacks and rewires brain real estate that would otherwise be devoted to making social ties rewarding," Wilson writes. "Real people become less rewarding; fake people become far more enticing."

Gail Dines, president and CEO of Culture Reframed, a public health organization that defines pornography as a public health crisis of the digital age, agrees with Wilson. She's been talking to parents about growing up in a "pornified culture" for years and the ramifications it can cause.

"The younger boys get to porn, the less capacity they have for empathy for girls and women, the more

likely they are to become sexual offenders, the less capacity they have to actually put the building blocks of adult life into place," she said. "They are more interested in hookups than actual dating, so the question becomes: If you're socializing a whole generation into porn sex, which is what we're doing because porn is the major form of sex education today, then what kinds of fathers, partners, lawyers, judges, policemen are they going to be when they've had their capacity for intimacy, connections and relationships hijacked by the porn culture?"

Dines also wants to see meaningful age verification for porn sites in the United States. She's advocating for it through her Culture Reframed site, which offers a program to educate parents on pornography, the brain during puberty, and scripted conversations for guardians to have with their children about porn.

The free site is meant to serve as a resource for parents and offer knowledge about sexting, bodily consent, bodily integrity

and hypersexualization. She's advising parents to talk about porn with their kids early on and not to avoid the topic just because adults may feel uncomfortable.

"It's the same as pollution. A parent can't say to me: How do I stop my kid from breathing polluted air? I can't stop the kid from breathing polluted air. You need a movement that stops pollution. It's the same with this."

"We live in a toxic culture. ... We have to have a massive cultural shift. You can do all you want at home to protect your kid, but what happens if everyone around him is using porn? (Pornographers) are hijacking kids' normal interest in sexuality," Dines said. "What's not normal is for kids to start looking at porn as their major form of sex education — that derails healthy development. We're going to have to adult up here. We cannot leave it to the kids to live in this toxic culture. We created this, and it's our job to help change this."

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Skin sensor to track alcohol use in future?

HealthDay

An injectable sensor that could provide ongoing monitoring of the alcohol intake of people receiving addiction treatment is in development.

The miniature biosensor would be placed just beneath the skin surface and be powered wirelessly by a wearable device, such as a smartwatch or patch, the University of California, San Diego engineers explained.

"The ultimate goal of this work is to develop a routine, unobtrusive alcohol and drug monitoring device for patients in substance abuse treatment programs," project leader Drew Hall said in a university news release. Hall is an assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering.

Routine monitoring of people in addiction treatment programs is a challenge. The most common way to check patients' blood alcohol levels is a Breathalyzer, but the devices are bulky, not that accurate and require patient initiation, according to Hall.

The most accurate method is a blood test, but that must be done by a trained technician. Tattoo-based alcohol sensors that



The most accurate method to determine alcohol use is a blood test, but that must be done by a trained technician.

are worn on the skin show promise, but they can be easily removed and are good only for one use, Hall said.

"A tiny injectable sensor — that can be administered in a clinic without surgery — could make it easier for patients to follow a prescribed course of monitoring for extended periods of time," he said.

The sensor has been tested in the lab underneath layers of pig skin, and the next step is to test it in live animals.

"This is a proof-of-concept platform technology. We've shown that this chip can work for alcohol, but we envision creating others that can detect different substances of abuse and injecting a customized

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I was the father with a needle in his arm

How one man took his life back after a heroin addiction took over

BY SHANE BUFFALOE
Chicago Tribune

Who I became has a lot to do with my upbringing and the adversities I faced.

Growing up biracial and without a father in a predominantly white, affluent New Jersey suburb left me with feelings of abandonment and indifference. While most of my friends had two parents and nice houses, I had a mother and a one-bedroom apartment.

I was 12 when my brother and I learned our father wasn't in our lives because of his heroin addiction — I always wondered how someone could choose drugs over a relationship with their own children.

My mother did the best she could to raise us, but I never shook that feeling of abandonment. I told myself I would do everything possible to avoid my children enduring the same pain.

But my story didn't go that way.

At 11, I took my first hit of marijuana and fell in love. It became a way for me to suppress my feelings and stay out of my head, so to speak. Not long after, I was introduced to alcohol,

and the two drugs were an outlet for me throughout grammar and high school. I loved playing sports but never excelled because all I wanted to do was get high.

A few months after graduating, my then-girlfriend told me she was pregnant and I was going to be a father. In January 1998, my first daughter arrived, followed by my second daughter one year and 11 months later. At 20 years

old, as I experienced the gift of fatherhood for the first time, I didn't realize I was also becoming an addict.

Marijuana and alcohol were soon accompanied by cocaine and ecstasy, and although I shared joint custody of my daughters, I always found time for nightlife. My addiction began spiraling out of control, but I was still in denial.

After several years, I began a relationship with another woman and my third daughter was conceived. During her pregnancy, I started taking Vicodin after a back injury led to a prescription. It was a horrific mistake.

When my doctor discontinued my prescription and I started going through withdrawal, I purchased opiates on the street just to feel sick — from Vicodin to Roxicet to OxyContin — but that grew difficult and expensive.

A few days after the birth of my daughter in March 2009, I began sniffing heroin. Six months later, I was the father with a needle in his arm.

For the next six years, heroin stole my soul and everything I loved — nothing else mattered.

My relationship with my two oldest daughters began to deteriorate. My youngest was too little to understand, but that relationship also started dwindling away. There were times my daughters begged, "Daddy, please don't leave us."

I went from having a good job, my own apartment and living with all three daughters to losing everything. I felt so worthless.



COURTESY OF SHANE BUFFALOE

Shane Buffaloe, 38, a recovering heroin addict, has been clean from drugs and alcohol for more than three years. He says he hopes to share and carry the message of recovery to anyone struggling with addiction.

But all that mattered was supporting my heroin addiction, so I began stealing from friends and family, and eventually from stores. I was arrested and jailed for a month after being accused of robbing a gas station, and although I didn't commit the crime and was never convicted, my family wanted nothing to do with me. Everyone thought jail was for the best.

As the days in jail passed and withdrawal kicked in, all I thought about was how much I missed my children. My mother and brother eventually bailed me out, and although my body was cleansed of drugs, I went right back to where I left off — a month later, I was arrested for possession of narcotics.

I was given the opportunity to take drug court — an alternative to jail for nonviolent drug-addicted defendants that consists of

random drug and alcohol testing, a curfew and mandatory court appearances, among other strict guidelines. But after being accepted to the program, I continued to use. My addiction eventually led to six jail cells; three drug rehabs; physical, mental and spiritual abuse; and suicidal thoughts.

On Feb. 23, 2015, after fleeing drug court because of another failed drug test, I had finally had enough — the thought of continuing like this was absolutely degrading, and I didn't want to live in the horrors of drug addiction anymore.

The pain was so great, and I was so sick and tired of being sick and tired, I just wanted to die.

With 40 bags left of a brick of heroin (50 bags), I was going to inject 20 so there was no chance I'd survive.

That morning, I told my oldest daughter I would

turn myself in to jail, but my true intentions were to commit suicide. She cried and told me she was going to miss me. I also started to cry. At this moment, I had an unexplainable moment of clarity. Taking my own life, leaving my daughters and my family, would be such a selfish and cowardly act.

My daughter saved my life.

I turned myself in to jail, and being incarcerated was a huge part of my recovery and staying clean. Time away from my daughters — 2½ months in jail, three months in drug rehab and four months in a halfway house — gave me the will to try, this time, to surrender to the 12-step program I was previously introduced to.

The program promised me one thing: An addict, any addict, can lose the desire to use and find a new way to live.

On Feb. 25, 2018, I celebrated three years clean from all drugs and alcohol.

Today, I share and carry the message of recovery to anyone who struggles with the horrors of active drug addiction.

Today, I have and practice integrity.

Today, I try to continue to do the next right thing.

Today, I don't have to feel bad for myself and want to take my own life.

Today, I am so grateful to be the father and best friend of the three most beautiful girls in my world, because if it weren't for them, I don't think I would be here today.

Today, my daughters don't have to say, "Daddy, please don't leave us."

Shane Buffaloe, 38, is a student at Lincoln Technical Institute and an HVAC/R technician in New Jersey. He has lost more than 20 friends to addiction.

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REVIEW Tied House ★★

Chef Debbie Gold shines in return to Chicago dining

BY PHIL VETTEL
Chicago Tribune

There are homecomings, and then there's the welcome-back-Kotter act that Debbie Gold, who opened Tied House in late February, is attempting.

Gold left the Chicago dining scene more than 20 years ago; she and then-husband chef Michael Smith (she at Mirador, he at Gordon) were tapped to run The American, the legendary Kansas City restaurant. They later created 40 Sardines, a James Beard

best new restaurant nominee in 2003.

And now she's back, running Tied House, a splendid new space that was built from the rubble of Harmony Grill, the dining sidekick to Schubas Tavern next door.

"It's a little scary and a lot of fun," Gold said. "I'm enjoying learning where I am (these days), learning what's available compared to so many years ago. But I think I can play in the game here."

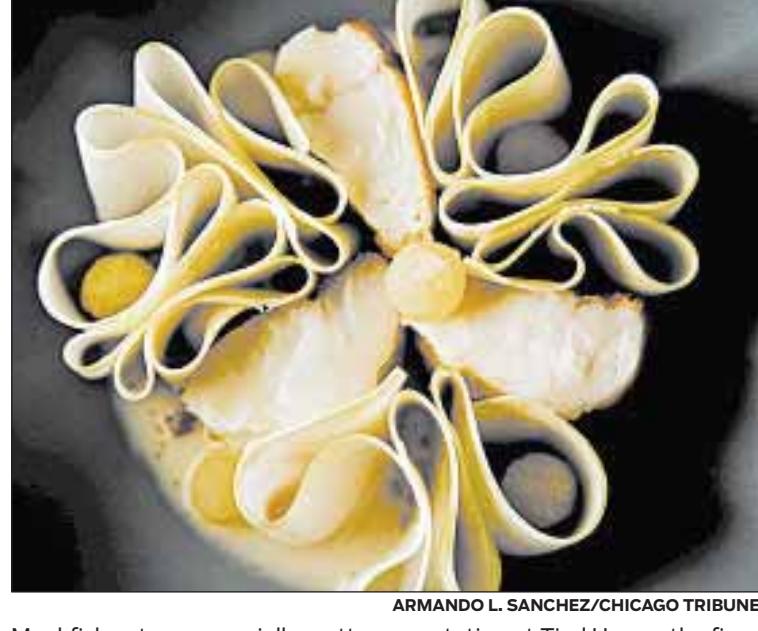
Apparently so, judging by her first menu, a study in delicious, nurturing flavor combinations.

Change the name of this place to Umami House, and you wouldn't get an argument from me.

Start with the bread, a couple of Publican Quality Bread varieties plus house-made Parker House rolls. Augment the bread, for a few dollars more, with one of five smears (\$3-\$6), among them a silky chicken-liver mousse, tart green-tomato marmalade and rich bone-marrow butter.

The rest of the menu is divided

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Monkfish gets an especially pretty presentation at Tied House, the firm pieces of fish nestled among curls of wide kohlrabi ribbons.



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS; SHANNON KINSELLA/FOOD STYLING

The original recipe for this French oxtail dish called for braising the meat in a red Burgundy. But tart cherry juice can be a cup-for-cup stand-in.

Alcohol-free cooking



Guests served dishes made with tart cherry juice haven't detected the lack of red wine.

Substitutions give same flavors

BY BILL ST. JOHN | Chicago Tribune

What if you don't drink alcoholic beverages, for whatever reason, and the ingredient list on the recipe for coq au vin includes $\frac{1}{4}$ cup brandy and half a bottle of red wine? Or, a few minutes in, the risotto recipe says, "Toss in one glassful of dry white wine"? Or, to make the batter for an "authentic" fish and chips, you'll require a bottle of beer?

Many people — including those who cook and eat — don't drink, for reasons of health or religion or culture or temperance, or because they don't want to feed the coq au vin sauce to the baby.

Just as I used to find many ingredients in non-Western cooking not only out of my league but also out of my pantry, I suspect that many cooks new to this country find it difficult to use wine, beer, spirits or liqueurs to make many a Western preparation.

So, sadly, they just avoid cooking that way.

And there is the matter of caution. I know folks who eat vegan or vegetarian who blanch — to use a cooking term in a second meaning — if they discover that a spoon or spatula that prepared their food merely touched a bit of beef. I respect their blanching.

It's a common assumption that the heat of cook-

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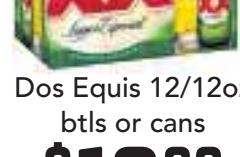
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Indulge in the colorful, boisterous kamayan feast at Sunda.

EAT THIS!

Dig in at Sunda's kamayan feast

BY JOSEPH HERNANDEZ
Chicago Tribune

This is one of the few times when getting handsy is OK: At Sunda's monthly kamayan feast, you're allowed, nay, encouraged to dive into the tables-long spread with your hands.

"Kamayan" means "with hands" in Tagalog, one of a number of Filipino languages, but at its heart, it is a communal meal meant to be shared with loved ones and strangers alike. It is literally connecting one's hands directly with the food placed in front of you and, in turn, symbolically connecting you to its warmth, its texture, its color.

Growing up in California, I didn't experience traditional kamayan until I visited the Philippines for my grandfather's funeral. Memories of that day are clear. Bright, sturdy banana leaves covered a table heavy with mountains of rice, which was studded with giant hunks of roasted lechon (pork), mangoes, fish and skewered meats.

The smells were heady, with nearby bowls of vinegar-soaked vegetables providing a balancing acidity to the savory glut in front of us.

After a few words of thanks and remembrance for our Lolo, we started

eating, a cacophony of laughter and messy hands connecting us all to that moment, that feast.

It was chaotic. It was human.

It's hard to imagine experiencing that same kind of revelry in a restaurant setting, but River North's Sunda manages to surprise. On the first Thursday of every month, the Southeast Asian concept hosts its own kamayan.

(The next feast, May 3, falls within Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.)

Dive right into the giant piles of fragrant white rice, soft-shell crab, whole deep-fried fish. You'll also find cigar-size lumpia (Filipino egg rolls), sweet-and-savory longanisa sausage, discs of watermelon radish, bright cubes of mango and charred green onions. Tiny bowls of pickled tomatoes and onions can be found, too, allowing one's palate a break from the rich flavors.

Yes, you'll have an Instagram-worthy moment of oohing and aahing with the other guests, but it's also about experiencing this primal, essential meal together. Always together.

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Hell Kitty Kitty is served at Whiner Brewery's taproom.

DRINK THIS!

Try Hell Kitty Kitty at Whiner Brewery

BY ADAM LUKACH
Chicago Tribune

Since its suds first hit store shelves, only two beers from Whiner Beer Co. — Le Tub and Miaou — have been consistently available. Head to the 46th Street brewery's taproom, however, and you can find up to a dozen different options.

The diversity in those options is vast. Whiner has never shied away from unconventional brews or dense descriptions, and this lineup spans both spectrums, from Curb Cutter, a "clean, crisp" proper Kolsch" to Francis Lambicus, a "barrel-aged wild ale fermented with Brettanomyces Lambicus," a wild yeast strain popular in certain brewing styles, for the uninitiated.

Somewhere in the middle of that, straddling the familiar and the less-so, is Hell Kitty Kitty (\$7 for 15 ounces), something of a riff on the Miaou, a Belgian wheat. Whiner's menu describes HKK as a "dry-hopped Belgo-American pale ale."

Dry-hopping lends itself more to hop aromas than hop bitterness, and that's evident here. HKK's hops hit you right on the nose upon raising the glass, then get front-loaded upon

tasting. Soon, though, that hoppiness gives way to the familiar yeast and sweetness of miaou, mostly notes of pear and apple. The finishing body of HKK is lighter than its counterpart, a pleasant ending.

Located in the multiuse plant (which houses a bakery, aquaponics farm, weekly farmers market and more), Whiner's secluded taproom is worth the trip, if not to taste the beer straight off the tap, then for the taproom itself. The old warehouse space is a lovely juxtaposition of industry with sustainability: tall ceilings, exposed-brick walls and Edison bulbs meet wooden tables with embedded planters, a warm, pub-style bar and a foyer with enough plants, water features and green projects to border on a conservatory.

If you just can't make it, though, Whiner recently expanded its collection of cans. As of March, Hell Kitty Kitty is available in canned six-packs, as is Bubble Tub, which is simply Le Tub with watermelons, another delicious riff on a Whiner original.

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Scores can be unreliable — useful too

Look past number; see if point systems match your taste



MICHAEL AUSTIN
The Pour Man

You have seen the little tags hanging from shelves in wine shops. They're often hand-drawn, in permanent marker, and sometimes they're bright, with a large, two-digit number and the name of a publication prominently displayed inside a jagged kind of exploding star. There might be multiple exclamation points, or several underscores, and that number will usually land somewhere in the 90s or high 80s. If the tag is not handmade, it might be an official shelf-hanger from a publication.

All of this is a product of the infamous wine-rating system that relies on the 100-point scale, and not everyone is a fan.

For some folks, those at-a-glance scores are a welcome bit of information, a tool that helps people get in and out of a wine shop quickly as they hustle to a dinner party. Later, at the party, the guest's presentation usually goes something like this, beginning with a disclaiming shrug: "I don't know, it said 91 points at the wine store. It should be pretty good."

You don't have to search far for a wine article or book that denounces wine scores for their ability to oversimplify things (among other drawbacks). I am not one of those people. I do think that relying completely on scores is lazy and unwise. I also think that the system overall can be unreliable.

But unbridled score-hating? Not for me. I actually like scores, especially



thing I needed to know. Say a wine gets a score of 88 and costs \$14. Is that better than a wine that gets a 92 and costs \$60? Could be, depending on what that 88 and 92 mean (rating-system point values can differ), and whether or not the nose and mouth behind the scores jibe with yours. The bottom line is, wine scores alone are helpful only if you can read into them — if you know the source well and if you have decided, through trial and error, how that source matches up with your own preferences.

For wines, consider how much you and the source of the points (publication or person) smell, taste and think in the same way. Also find out what kind of methodology the source is using to arrive at the numbers — and hopefully the numbers will never be all you consider.

Another complaint against scores is that they dumb down the world's wine supply. High scores for bigger, bolder, more powerful wines have led some winemakers to copy that style, so that they might also receive high scores and, thus, sell more wine. The argument is that the world does not need more big and bold wines — just great wines that reflect where they come from, regardless of their style, regardless of the scores they receive from a few influential rating systems.

How scores affect wine production is out of our hands (and a completely different discussion), but how scores affect us is within our control. Do a little homework on the wines you are considering purchasing, of course, but even before that, try to figure out how the point systems you most often consult align with or diverge from your own thoughts and tastes.

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Tags displaying ratings can be a wine shop shortcut, but used properly, they can spur buyers to do their own research.

when they are attached to a wine I am not familiar with. They tell me that someone has vetted the wine and offered an opinion, and if the score is high enough (depending on the source), it will spur me on to find out more about it.

The wild card here is: Consider the source. Whose 92 points are those? Do they belong to a well-established, respectable wine publication or critic? Or do they belong to an employee of the wine shop who has just rated his very first wine? Gotta start somewhere.

It's all largely subjective. Unless you are going to use a score simply as a jumping-off point then go and do your own research, relying

on that number alone is a little bit of a crap shoot. Even if a score is bolstered by a description, you still don't know if the score-giver and you smell and taste in the same way.

I do believe in some degree of objectivity in criticism — that people who really understand something intimately can identify and generally agree on quality — but I also believe in the concept of one man's floor being another man's ceiling. Wine scores are based on several different point systems, with such top scores as 100, 20, five and three. The methodology for those scores can be just as varied.

Years ago, I worked at a

magazine, and some of us there had differing opinions about our restaurant rating system. The magazine's long-standing tradition was to follow a sort of "for the price" philosophy. The ratings were concerned less with how a restaurant stood up against all others and more concerned with how well a restaurant did what it did.

Like: "This is a five-star diner (or a four-star hot dog stand) because it is the best in its class." My suggestion was to judge all restaurants the same way. In that system, if the finest restaurant in town had earned five stars and a BBQ joint had earned two stars, readers could have assumed that the BBQ joint

was pretty darn good — or, at the very least, a great value. Presumably, it would have offered very good food at a fraction of the cost that fine-dining restaurant would charge.

Similarly, when I was a teenager, I often consulted a two-point system for movies. Film critics Gene Siskel and Robert Ebert gave a thumbs-up or thumbs-down, and even a single thumbs-up with a compelling endorsement was enough for me to consider a movie further. Over time, I was able to calibrate my tastes to Siskel's and Ebert's, and simple words or phrases they used, coupled with the directions of their thumbs, told me every-

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Odes to chicken roll, finocchiona

BY LOUISA CHU
Chicago Tribune

Lunchmeat must've been how my food adventures began. Childhood breakfasts were poured from boxes, with dinners forged in my working mom's wok, but lunch brought a certain kind of freedom. At its heart were layers of thinly sliced mysteries.

As latchkey kids with no lunchroom at school, much less a lunch lady, we kids walked home to eat. Living near our small neighborhood grocery, my little sister and I sometimes

shopped for lunchmeat a la minute.

Our favorite? Chicken roll, creamy round slices — What was it made of? Who knows! — studded with flecks of meat, sliced thin but not too thin, lest they fell apart or, worse, got stuck together. No, the chicken roll should be sliced just thick enough to arrange even, cold layers over fresh or toasted Butternut bread. We didn't add condiments, but they weren't needed on the highly seasoned savory suspension. If we had time, I might make grilled chicken roll sandwiches,

melting the lunchmeat to nearly a bechamel.

When I asked folks about their favorite lunchmeats on Facebook recently, I hoped someone else might share fond memories of my long-lost chicken roll.

Instead, over 100 comments covered nearly every corner of a deli case, and beyond. The top 10 in the informal poll were salami, mortadella, pastrami, prosciutto, turkey, jamon, corned beef, bologna, head cheese and liver sausage. They inspired odes of their own.

The most surprising

outliers? The vintage classic lunchmeats olive loaf and old-fashioned loaf, neither of which I've had before.

Jonathan Gold, the Pulitzer Prize-winning restaurant critic at the Los Angeles Times, suggested finocchiona, an Italian salami from Tuscany made with fennel. Zanne Early Stewart, former executive food editor of the late, great Gourmet magazine, also mentioned the meat. The one brand I found in local stores was pre-sliced and packaged, so not a fair specimen, but since then, I've tasted two house-made

versions, the most extraordinary at Tempesta Market in West Town. Sliced whisper-thin, it miraculously packs a warm yet quietly wild licorice-laced punch.

Gale Gand, the award-winning pastry chef and pioneering restaurant entrepreneur, was the only one to share a photo of her favorite lunchmeat, turkey, mid-sandwich bite.

But no one mentioned chicken roll. Long before I tasted the legendary acorn-fed jamon iberico in Spain, or prosciutto di Parma in Italy, or countless charcuterie boards across every region in France, there was

chicken roll. But, apparently, no more. Neither Mariano's nor Jewel had it, which may be just as well. The Weaver brand was revived a few years ago, but some chicken roll connoisseurs online claim it's not the same.

Now with Impossible Foods and Beyond Meat making burgers, sausages and other products, could new food adventures await, with spicy plant-based 'nduja spreadable salami among our future lunchmeats?

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Lunchmeat favorites

We polled professionals, from chefs and entrepreneurs, to authors and critics, about lunchmeat and the memories it conjures. Here are their favorites, with their comments.



"Is there **olive loaf** in the building?" asked fellow Food & Dining reporter Bill Daley with great anticipation. One of his childhood favorites, he calls the smooth pork, beef and now turkey lunchmeat, studded with olives and pimento "the martini of the deli counter." I sadly did not share his enthusiasm with my first taste, but perhaps a cocktail would help.



Mortadella with pistacchio: "Mortadella," wrote Tony Fiaschi, salumiere and owner of Nduja Artisans and Tempesta Market. Frankly I'm shocked. Not that I don't share his love for the supple, fat and sometimes pistachio-studded pork sausage, but that he could choose just one. Originally from Bologna, Italy, this is the original bologna.



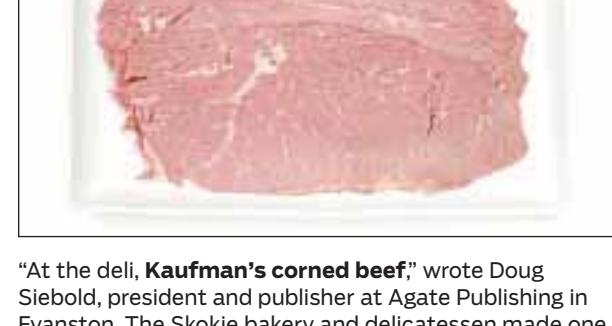
"Just lost 24 pounds so **low sodium peppered turkey breast**," wrote Gale Gand, the award-winning, pioneering pastry chef. "Having it right now with avocado, tomato, basil leaves, mayo on flax seed bread!" I don't understand the appeal of turkey lunchmeat of any kind but if Gand says it's her favorite, then I must be missing something.



Liver sausage: "Braunschweiger ... hands down my favorite, on good bread with stone ground spicy German mustard. Did I grow up in the Midwest or what?" wrote Bobbi Pendell, who now lives in Alaska. I love the liver sausage the same way too, but toast that bread or better yet, grill it.



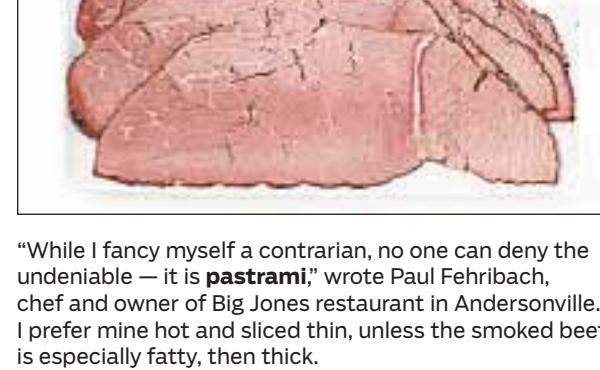
Old-fashioned loaf: "Old fashion loaf," wrote Carl Galvan, aka the Chicago Fish Dude at Supreme Lobster & Seafood Co. He's the only commenter who said the coarsely ground pork and beef smoked lunchmeat, aka old-fashioned loaf or Dutch loaf, is his favorite. Surprisingly not bad, like a heartier American bologna.



"At the deli, **Kaufman's corned beef**," wrote Doug Siebold, president and publisher at Agate Publishing in Evanston. The Skokie bakery and delicatessen made one of my favorite corned beef sandwiches too, with meat sliced thin and piled high, when I went on a quest to answer a reader's question about what happened to all the big Jewish delis.



Bologna: "Old world deli bologna ... fried," wrote Lamar Moore, chef at Currency Exchange Cafe in the Washington Park neighborhood on the South Side. Sometimes spelled baloney, I like it cold too; in fact, my earliest and most beloved lunchmeat memory is of my kindergarten teacher making bologna sandwiches with soft white, buttered bread.



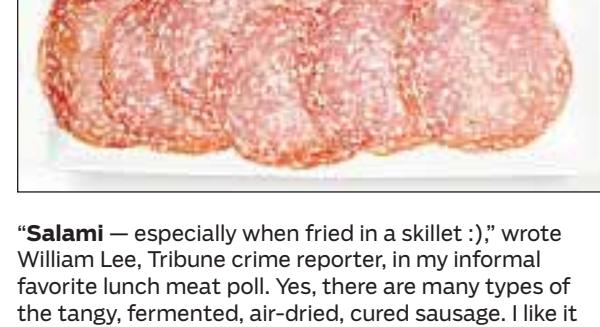
"While I fancy myself a contrarian, no one can deny the undeniable — it is **pastrami**," wrote Paul Fehribach, chef and owner of Big Jones restaurant in Andersonville. I prefer mine hot and sliced thin, unless the smoked beef is especially fatty, then thick.



"My dad loved **head cheese**. It made me gag, and refused to try it when he put it in my face. He has passed, and whenever I look at it in the case of our local butcher, I think of him," wrote David Pierini, who asked the question about dill pickles and peppermint sticks that kicked off our reader series "What's the Story?" I loved the kind made at my childhood local grocery.



Prosciutto: "When I would visit my aunt in Chicago during the summer she would send one of her children or us to the nearby small Italian grocery store and tell us to tell them we were to get the 'good ham.' Years later I figured out it must have been prosciutto. Still my favorite lunchmeat," wrote Nathalie Dupree, the author, most notably of "Mastering the Art of Southern Cooking."



Salami — especially when fried in a skillet :)" wrote William Lee, Tribune crime reporter, in my informal favorite lunch meat poll. Yes, there are many types of the tangy, fermented, air-dried, cured sausage. I like it sliced see-through thin, cold or tempered, but thick and skillet-fried too.



Jamon," wrote Marlene Spieler, the food writer who chronicled her temporary loss of taste and smell after a car accident. You can understand why she also said her favorites are mortadella, prosciutto and "spicy Italian salami of all kind." I could only easily find jamon serrano, but the more expensive jamon iberico remains elusive.

Tribune announces weeks-long food fest

BY JOSEPH HERNANDEZ
Chicago Tribune

Summer festival season just got a little more indulgent: The Chicago Tribune last week announced Food Bowl, a weeks-long food festival starting Aug. 8.

Inspired by a concept launched by sister paper the Los Angeles Times, the Tribune's Food Bowl will feature curated dinners, panel discussions, community outings and other food-focused events throughout Chicago. More than merely tastings, Food Bowl will also encompass discussions with industry leaders, like chefs, mixologists, academics and more, tallying up to more than 100 events over three weeks in the summer. A

Chicago Tribune FOOD BOWL

finale event, a Night Market, will take over Chicago's lakefront over three evenings, with vendors hawking global street food and wares to hungry and curious crowds.

At a Tuesday event at Cindy's Rooftop at the Chicago Athletic Association Hotel, media, organizers and food industry pros gathered to launch the event. Chicago Tribune Editor-in-Chief Bruce Dold; Director of Content,

Features, Amy Carr; and event producer Angus Dillon laid out what the Food Bowl will look like.

"The bowl is ... a great unifier; it brings people together across cuisines and cultures," said Dillon, Food Bowl's creator. With its 77 neighborhoods, Food Bowl is a chance for "going deeper and wider across Chicago's neighborhoods to uncover unique and memorable experiences in one curated program of must-see, -eat and -drink events."

Scheduled to run Aug. 8-26, Food Bowl is accepting community partners to submit event proposals across 16 categories, ranging from dinners and tastings to charitable events and farmers markets. The events will be considered

by an organizing committee and, if accepted, listed in event programming. Interested vendors can apply at the event website, ctfoodbowl.com.

LA's first Food Bowl attracted more than 100,000 attendees to 200 events over the course of a month, and the goal is the same for Chicago. "It's going to be a different kind of food festival, showcasing our city's dynamic food scene," said Carr.

To that end, Chicago Tribune's Food & Dining team (this writer included) will help curate panels, discussions and events, similar to Pulitzer Prize-winning critic Jonathan Gold's work in LA, like his mini-film festival.

Because of the commu-



The Chicago Tribune has announced plans for a food-focused festival running Aug. 8-26 at various locations.

nity-oriented nature of Food Bowl's programming, the cost of admission will range from free to ticketed dinners. In addition to a number of marquee events, including Chicago Cocktail Week, the Tribune will unveil a plan to benefit

important issues in food, said Dillon, with a particular focus on access and sustainability. News about those efforts will be announced at a later date.

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3 cocktail books would make fine additions to home bar

BY KENNEY MARLATT
Chicago Tribune

Chicago has long been known as a drinking town. It may come as no surprise then that the trio of authors nominated for a James Beard beverage book award this year all have ties to the city. Jim Meehan, who grew up in Oak Park and River Forest, won the award on Friday for his book, "Meehan's Bartender Manual," an announcement made at The James Beard Foundation Media Awards ceremony in New York. His book and the two other nominees all should find a place on your home bar's bookshelf.

"Meehan's Bartender Manual"

By Jim Meehan, Ten Speed Press, \$40

Chicagoans have become familiar with Meehan's work through his new bar, West Loop's Prairie School. With his book, Meehan follows in the footsteps of authors like Harry Johnson, who compiled his "Bartenders' Manual" at the end of the 19th century. Meehan has filled his own "Bartender Manual" with so much rich detail that it will likely become a go-to guide for the next generation of bartenders.

The book offers insights from a number of industry heavyweights but mostly draws from the author's own experience. Meehan shares his wisdom in his exploration of hospitality ("working service in a bar is like painting a room; if you spend hours prepping correctly, all you have to do is apply the paint evenly"), bar design (he favors wood-

en bar tops soft enough to prevent glasses from shattering but "sturdy enough to stand on if the occasion is ever called for") and spirits (he values cultural terroir — "the know-how passed down from one generation of producers to the next" — over geographic terroir).

Though much of "Meehan's Bartender Manual" is directed at industry pros, its approachable recipes for dozens of cocktails make it vital to home bartenders too. The drinks are classified by spirit and are interspersed with succinct lessons in distilling and cocktail history. It's this serious, intellectual approach that makes Meehan's book required reading no matter what side of the bar you're on.

"3-Ingredient Cocktails: An Opinionated Guide to the Most Enduring Drinks in the Cocktail Canon"

By Robert Simonson, Ten Speed Press, \$18.99

Many home bartenders have amassed small libraries of cocktail books offering an inexhaustible supply of drink recipes. But often these recipes can be more aspirational than practical. So when your liquor store doesn't stock pomme de Normandie and you find yourself fresh out of kumquat cordial, "3-Ingredient Cocktails" has your back.

Robert Simonson, a Wisconsin and Northwestern University graduate, has curated a book filled with easy-to-replicate recipes, many of them classics. The Hanky Panky, for example, has been

popularized around the world. But with equal parts gin and sweet vermouth and a couple of dashes of Fernet-Branca, there's no reason it can't be popular at home as well. And if you're comfortable stirring up a Negroni, you'll learn to branch out with a Boulevardier or an Old Pal.

Simonson also shares thoughts on several standards, including ruminations on the long-suffering Gibson (the onion "ought to be fussed over and perfected"), the Everyman magic of the Manhattan ("any bar could make you a decent one") and the fine-tuned fiction of the Harvey Wallbanger (a "three-ingredient, fluke colossus").

For those who have joined mixology's army of weekend warriors, spending evenings stirring up martinis and Old-Fashioneds, "3-Ingredient Cocktails" will help you expand your repertoire without busting your budget.

"Mezcal: The History, Craft & Cocktails of the World's Ultimate Artisanal Spirit"

By Emma Janzen, Voyageur Press, \$25

Mezcal has quickly become one of America's trendiest spirits, popularized by bartenders and embraced by casual consumers and cocktail nerds alike. But many who have developed a love for the Mexican spirit might not understand its long history and nuances.

Chicago-based writer Emma Janzen aims to change that. In her book, Janzen grabs readers by the hand and takes them on a tour of Mexico's mezcal-

producing regions. Along the way she explains traditional production methods, helps readers gain an appreciation for the many different types of agave used in fermentation and shares her beautiful photography of the palenques (distilleries) and maestro mezcaleros she has come across on her trips into the Mexican countryside.

Particularly helpful is Janzen's inclusion of "botellas to try" throughout the book. Interested in trying a mezcal made with agave cupreata? Mezcales de Leyenda Guerrero is a good place to start. Never had a pechuga? Seek out a pour of Real Minero Pechuga at your local mezcaleria.

Of course, the book offers plenty of cocktail recipes too. Janzen has collected drink specs from dozens of bars known for their mezcal enthusiasm, from the shoeshoe-size Bistro in Mexico City to Houston's boisterous Pastry War to New York City's late, great Mayahuel. The book features cocktails from Chicago bartenders, as well, including the Ace Hotel's Caitlin Laman, Quiote's Jay Schroeder, and Ben Fasman and Michael Rubel from Estero. "Mezcal" made me thirst for return visits to each of these bars, armed with some newly acquired expertise.

Janzen will serve mezcal cocktails 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Dove's Luncheonette in Wicker Park, where her book will be for sale.

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Alcohol-free cooking

Substitutions, from Page 1

ing rids a dish of any alcohol introduced into it. That's only partially true.

According to the Agricultural Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 75 percent of the original alcohol by volume of the liquid used will remain, for instance, in a flambeed dessert; 25 percent in a dish that has been simmered or braised for one hour; and 5 percent in the same dish after 2½ hours. (Those percentages for braising are guaranteed if the pot has been covered while cooking, the norm.)

Those numbers won't work for a lot of folks.

I've been preparing many recipes for months now substituting completely alcohol-free liquids for the same quantities of beer or wine, both red and white. (I don't cook much with spirits or liqueurs, so I haven't, for example, had to pull a shot of espresso to sub out for "2 teaspoons Kahlua.")

Except for a wee worry, once in a while, to adjust a recipe allowing for higher levels of sweetness in the liquids that I've used, the substitutions have worked very well indeed. I counter the added sugar, for taste mostly, with a small amount of acidity (a squeeze of lemon juice or a splash of rice vinegar).

It helped to think about the role wine or beer played in the original recipe. It added flavor, of course, but also the very important

Braised oxtail

Prep: 25 minutes **Cook:** 3 hours, 15 minutes

Makes: 4 servings

Adapted from chef Claude Peyrot, Le Vivarois, Paris. Look for oxtail pieces similar in size.

- 2 tablespoons clarified butter or ghee, plus more if needed
- 8 to 10 pieces of oxtail (about 3 pounds)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 carrots, peeled, chopped
- 2 shallots, finely chopped
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 2 ribs celery, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, finely minced
- 1 bouquet garni (sprigs of parsley and thyme and 1 bay leaf, tied with kitchen twine)
- 1 cup veal or rich chicken stock
- 2 cups R.W. Knudsen Just Tart Cherry bottled juice, or more as needed
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, at room temperature

1 Melt 2 tablespoons clarified butter or ghee in a large Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Season the oxtail with salt and pepper to taste. Brown in the butter, turning to cook all sides, 8 to 10 minutes; set aside. In the same pan, lightly brown the cut-up vegetables, including the garlic, adding a slight amount of butter if necessary, 5 minutes; season with salt and pepper. Return the oxtail to the pan, in a single layer if possible, and add the bouquet garni. Pour in the veal or chicken stock and the cherry juice to barely cover the meat.

2 Cover the pan and braise in a 300-degree oven, turning the oxtail pieces over once, until the meat is very tender and beginning to fall off the bone, about 3 to 3½ hours.

3 To serve, remove the meat to a warmed platter, and strain the pan juices. Reduce the juices by half, and bind by whisking in the 4 tablespoons butter. Season to taste. Pour the sauce over the oxtail pieces to finish.

Nutrition information per serving: 526 calories, 36 g fat, 19 g saturated fat, 177 mg cholesterol, 16 g carbohydrates, 14 g sugar, 35 g protein, 226 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

meat in a red Burgundy, Gevrey-Chambertin.

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How do our celebrities lunch?

Sommelier, Bears lineman, penguin have wide-ranging favorites

BY GRACE WONG
Chicago Tribune

For some of us, lunch during the always-too-busy workweek consists of a quick grab-and-go at a nearby fast food spot or last night's leftovers in a Tupperware container. It makes us wonder: Is there something better? Are others winning at the lunch game?

We reached out to several notable Chicagoans, asking them to share how they lunch. From a Bears lineman to a chef, from a radio host to a magician — plus some of the city's famed furry friends (and one giant old fossil) — they told us.

Some of their answers made sense — penguins eat fish, but did you know that's how they get all their water too? — while others were beyond wild — looking at you, Chicago Party Aunt. (Responses have been edited for brevity and clarity.) No, we won't add a shot of Malort to our lunch, but we have developed a deeper envy for the staff meals enjoyed in local restaurants.

Jon McDaniel, sommelier, Gage Hospitality Group

Daily agenda: Help educate and administrate at the restaurants, reconnect with regulars.

Thoughts on lunch: Most of the time I forget. I don't get hunger pains, so my stomach will get really angry at me until I finally realize I didn't eat.

On the menu: Typically, I'll do the salad of the day, which keeps me on my toes, or risotto, which is my favorite food on the entire planet. But it's kind of one of those dishes that after you have it, you may need to take a nap. Our chefs also prepare family meals for everyone who is working. It's a 10- to 20-minute meeting and a way to communicate and connect with everybody.

Lunch date: Carrot salad at Acanto. I could eat it 17 times a day. It's amazingly fresh and mixed with yogurt and avocado and celery and a nice little bit of braised carrots that's fresh and filling, but it doesn't feel very heavy. I'll take them to a tasting appointment over lunch, open a couple bottles of wine, taste and drink, go through the wines and catch up.

Sue, dinosaur

(With help from William Simpson, paleontologist at the Field Museum)

Daily agenda: Search, stalk and ambush prey. The current theory is that Sue was most likely an ambush predator, so she's not going to run things down like dogs do; she's going to surprise things more like cats do. We think it's unlikely that she would have run very often, if at all. She's just too big and too heavy. She had very long legs and, at a fast walk, she still would be very fast compared with the animals that she was ambushing, but she's not chasing down Jeeps like in the movies.

Thoughts on lunch: Dinosaurs are reptiles, so they're just tearing off huge hunks of flesh and swallowing. They're not chewing it, they're not processing it, so lunch would be a pretty messy affair. A person would be just about the right size for one mouthful.

On the menu: Duck-billed dinosaurs, triceratops or other smaller dinosaurs.

Lunch date: Being an apex predator doesn't mean that the tyrannosaurs were only hunting down and eating live prey. They would eat any meat they came across, so a dead carcass was fair game.

Joe Flamm, Spiaggia executive chef and 'Top Chef' winner

Daily agenda: Arrive at the restaurant at 10 a.m. and run day-to-day operations, putting menus together, work lunch service in the cafe while making changes to the dinner menu, meet with the managers, then dinner service in the dining room.

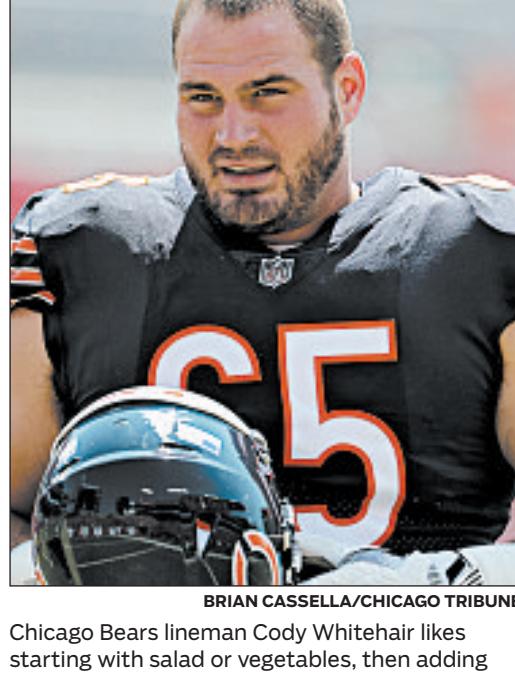
Thoughts on lunch: Lunch, for chefs, especially, is a special thing. We're only off one or two days a week, so we really look forward to it. If we're bringing our staff meal for lunch, we like to go places even if they're farther away. Finding cool little spots is important, like the food court at Joong Boo or a lechon sandwich spot.

On the menu: We do the staff meal at 3 p.m. every day. We take turns making that — me, the sous-chefs and the cooks. One of



Sommelier Jon McDaniel, second from right, lunches on a giant house-made submarine sandwich with staff members at the Beacon Tavern. Most of the time, McDaniel says, he forgets to eat lunch.

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Chicago Bears lineman Cody Whitehair likes starting with salad or vegetables, then adding protein for strength and carbs to balance it out.

BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE



This homemade vegan tuna salad sandwich, starring garbanzo beans, is magician David Parr's go-to lunch.



Whole fish are on the menu at the Shedd.

DAVID PARR

GRACE WONG/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

and pack them up, run scripts.

Thoughts on lunch: I find that I can't really eat before a show because I don't like feeling full when I'm onstage, so usually I'll eat lunch, and then I won't eat again until after the show. Lunch becomes fairly important. I'm vegan and have been for years, so I usually make something relatively simple that's vegan and will hold me until after the show is done.

On the menu: The vegan cold tuna salad sandwich is one of my favorite things to make because there's no real cooking involved, it's super quick and it's filling. It starts with a can of garbanzo beans. I use a potato ricer to mash them up a bit. Then I add tamari sauce, a generous amount of ground black pepper and dried celery flakes, garlic powder, paprika and a big dollop of vegan mayonnaise — there's a bit of alchemy in getting the balance of ingredients right. I put the mixture on wheat toast, along with lettuce and tomato.

Lunch date: Chicago Diner is my favorite vegan place in Chicago. I often take out-of-town guests there. Sometimes I'll take them to Handlebar. They have a great vegan buffalo chicken wrap, but Chicago Diner is certainly my go-to.

Justin Kaufmann, WGN radio host

Daily agenda: Take my son to school, drive my wife to work, eat lunch, get to work at 2 p.m., host "The Download with Justin Kaufmann" on WGN Radio from 7-11 p.m.

Thoughts on lunch: I'm usually shoving food in my mouth until I go on air. My schedule is weird, so my meal to start the day is lunch. I'm not expending too much energy in the morning, and I need to hit the ground running when I get to work, so lunch is super important to me. I never skip it.

On the menu: If I have nothing going on, I try to eat at home, and I'll make something in a slow cooker. I got into it when I started this job, and it's something to do in the morning. My favorite thing is a chicken noodle soup. The last thing I made was a chicken marsala and then a five-way spaghetti. It kind of all tastes the same. I think I'm doing it wrong. I'm not a great cook, but I'm trying.

If I'm out running errands, I'll go to Graziano's in the West Loop. Their spicy tuna sandwich is awesome.

Lunch date: If I'm having a work lunch, I take them to Allis in

Soho House. Essentially, what I'm doing is that it's not only a great place to eat, but there's also an illusion that you're a member there (I'm not), so it looks like I'm really fancy, like I'm in the elite, but I'm really just squatting.

Diana Davila, Mi Tocaya Antojoeria executive chef

Daily agenda: Drop off daughter at school across the street, prep during the day for dinner service, family meal.

Thoughts on lunch: I'm a huge advocate of not supporting food that is off the (fast food) dollar menu and things that are terrible for you that aren't even food. I always encourage everybody, if you're hungry, let's just make something quick to eat. There's food all around us.

On the menu: Steak and eggs, little sandwiches, guisado stew. Sometimes we'll treat ourselves, like if we're picking up some sea cucumbers at Joong Boo Market, let's get some steamed buns, or if we're at Rico Fresh Market, let's get some carnitas.

Lunch date: Sometimes I just want to get away and be like, let me have a lunch by myself and get myself together, and I always go to Lula's for that. I sit at the bar. They're great and seasonal, so I'm always a huge fan.

For brunch, I love Owen & Engine, Fat Willy's for some good barbecue, GT Fish because you get to taste everything, for the most part, that they offer at nighttime with the same quality and care, Chinatown's Triple Crown for dim sum. When I have people in from out of town, I definitely go to Cafe Marie-Jeanne.

Cody Whitehair, Bears offensive lineman

Daily agenda: Arrive at the Bears training facility around 8 a.m., corrective work, hot tub, stretching, breakfast, train starting at 9:30, lift, speed work, meet with position groups, lunch, go home.

Thoughts on lunch: Coming off a workout and everything, it's very important to refuel your body with the proper dietary needs, and Jennifer Gibson (sports science coordinator and dietitian for the Bears) does a great job of selecting the menu and helping us.

On the menu: I like to start with salad or some kind of vegetable. From there, we obviously need our protein to build our strength, and then we like to get some carbohydrates, like pasta or potatoes. We try to eat pretty bal-

anced and try to stay away from sweets, as hard as it can be. Today I had salad with some kale, romaine lettuce, onions, hard-boiled egg and Italian dressing. Then I went to the pasta bar and got a little spaghetti, and for my meat, I added some grilled chicken.

Lunch date: Chicago is known for pizza, so my family loves going to Lou Malnati's. From there, we like the great steakhouses down in the city that we like to hit up after game days. We're out in the suburbs right now, so we also like going to Bob Chinn's Crab House.

Beni Cwiakala, 'MasterChef Junior' contestant

Daily agenda: Wake up at 6 a.m., take a shower, get dressed, have breakfast, practice violin, go to school, science, social studies, math, recess, lunch, PE, come home, do homework, have dinner or make dinner, go to bed.

Thoughts on lunch: Lunch is very important. You have breakfast to have a good day, but then you start getting hungry, so you have lunch to refresh yourself, and then you go through the rest of the day, and then it's dinner. Lunch is kind of a refresher!

On the menu: School lunch is always different, but it's always a vegetable, a grain, a fruit and a protein. I go to a charter school, so we focus on a lot of healthy things. Like one of the lunches that I have is pozole. When I'm at home, I usually try to make my own lunch, and it really depends on what we have. If my mom made a type of soup, I like to put rice in it, then add arugula and a Japanese spice called furikake and layer it.

Lunch date: If I could go anywhere for lunch, it might be this Vietnamese place by our house called HaiSous. The menu changes, but my favorite thing to eat was a papaya salad with this shredded papaya, and I also really liked the orange glazed pork.

Olivia and Diego, penguins at Shedd Aquarium

(with help from Katy Roxbury,
penguins and sea otters
trainer)

Daily agenda: Hop around, swim, build nests, make eggs, participate in sessions with trainers, sometimes meet with a veterinarian.

Thoughts on lunch: They're self-regulators, so when they're done eating, they walk away from us. We carry these big buckets out, but they don't necessarily eat everything in that bucket; that's their food for the whole day. They eat it whole. They don't really chew it at all, so it's right down the hatch.

Sometimes they can be a little picky! We use their food as their main reinforcement, so in the training world, it's our biggest way of saying, "Hey! You're doing something that we really like," so we make a point of only feeding birds that are nice and calm at the bucket. If we see birds maybe pecking at another bird or trying to push a bird out of the way, we'll just wait a couple seconds. We won't feed them right away since we're not trying to tell them, "Hey, yes, please push another bird out of the way."

On the menu: Small herring and capelin, some with vitamins. They get different things from these food types. The capelin is where they're going to get most of their water from. Pretty much any animal that lives in a saltwater environment, they get all their hydration from their food, so that's why their food selection is pretty critical in making sure they're healthy. The herring is a little bit higher in calories and fat, so that's their main energy provider. Some of our birds are also getting a supplement.

Lunch date: We're in our nesting season, and right before our nesting season, we see birds come back, and they bulk up a little bit. It takes a lot of energy to make an egg and to take care of a chick if that egg develops into a chick, so their food amounts increase quite a bit. We also try to offer them maybe some larger fish that might have a little higher value, similar to the small herring, just a little bigger, so there's a little bit more energy in there. During molting season, their appetite almost doubles.

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Chicago Party Aunt, socialite

(The mysterious Twitter character who tweets at @ChiPartyAunt)

Daily agenda: Wake up, go to work at Fantastic Sam's, check on Tom Skilling, extended lunch, check on Tom Skilling, go back to work, pregame, attend a Blackhawks or Wolves game at night.

Thoughts on lunch: Lunch is a time where I can refuel with some food that will get me through the day or go to Manny's Deli and rub elbows with the Chicago politicians and police officers to pay off who I need to pay off to make sure garbage pickup comes at the right time. I also support a drinking lunch. It's a good time to get some liquid confidence to get through the rest of the day. Sometimes I'll take a shot of Malort. It's the perfect pick-me-up.

On the menu: Lunch is at Portillo's, where I'll get a beef and cheddar croissant, or Italian beef dipped with extra giard (as in giardiniera), cheese fries and a chocolate cake milkshake with a Chicago dog on the side.

I'm known to do a three-martini lunch, but I'll also do an appetizer or a Bud Light Lime-A-Rita. I've been trying to get bars all over Chicago to carry my own drink called The Chicago Party Aunt, which is Jewel-Oscos brand vodka* mixed with Green River over ice.

(*Editor's note: Jewel-Oscos does not make vodka.)

Lunch date: I have brothers and sisters who live out in the suburbs — St. Charles, Arlington Heights, Wheeling — so it depends on if the family is coming in or not. If they're bringing the kids, it's the Rainforest Cafe, so they can run wild. But if I like the family that is coming in, my favorite place is Polish food at White Eagle for all-you-can-eat pierogi.

David Parr, magician at Chicago Magic Lounge

Daily agenda: Get ready for a show, go through lists of props

Lunch date: If I'm having a work lunch, I take them to Allis in

the

area.



Chef Debbie Gold is also working on a menu for Schubas.

Debbie Gold shines with Tied House

Tied, from Page 1

among vegetable, sea and land categories. Pay particular attention to the vegetable dishes, including the mind-boggling Okinawa sweet potato, which is salt-baked, broken apart by hand and deep-fried. Scattered on the plate with shaved raw turnip, confit turnips and creamy circles of fromage blanc, the dish affects a rustic, random look, and the purple sweet-potato chunks are crunchy on the outside, soft and impossibly sweet inside.

More veggie treats include a substantial Treviso salad with foraged mushrooms and a charred-onion broth, and a not-quite-a-soup in which a leek-onion-garlic broth serves as a foil to slow-cooked and fried maitake mushrooms, scrambled eggs and chives.

The duck raviolo is a beautiful dish. Two thin sheets of pasta envelop a creamy, buttery potato mouseline, in turn topped by a runny-yolk duck egg. At the table, a waiter pours aromatic dashi over the egg, which, surprisingly, doesn't break; guests get to do the honors.

Every menu has a crudo these days; here it's madai, topped with circles of daikon radish dipped in powdered chile, and tendrils of sea beans. Banyuls-

glazed pork terrine, with gribiche and black-olive sauces, picks up color from thick circles of cured egg yolk, and crunch from fried pig ears.

Rack of lamb is rarely the most scintillating entree on a menu, but Gold's version is exceptional. The rack (two bones, three chops' worth of meat) is dusted with smoked orange-peel powder, served on its end for a vertical look, and surrounded by blood sausage and cranberries.

Monkfish gets an especially pretty presentation, the firm pieces nestled among curls of wide kohlrabi ribbons. It all sits on a bed of toasted barley, and picks up sweetness from balls of compressed apple. Milk-braised pork sits above fennel puree and apple butter, topped with noodles of churro batter and salsa.

"Beeswax-aged mackerel" isn't a phrase I've run across before, but I like the results. The mackerel is aged briefly while sealed in wax, and the fish, brushed with duck sauce, has a robust richness, supported by horseradish cream, charred leeks and coins of yellow beet.

Gold's desserts are pure fun. The deconstructed wedding cake — calling to mind a piece of wedding cake after the obligatory



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Tied House's interior is strikingly contemporary, done in wood, tan leather, brick and copper.



Okinawa sweet potato is salt-baked, broken apart and fried. The chunks are crunchy outside and sweet inside.



The duck raviolo comes with buttery potato mouseline, a runny-yolk duck egg and a pour of aromatic dashi.



Mackerel is sealed in wax and aged briefly, then served with charred leaks.

bride-groom smooshing bit — offers pieces of angel-food cake, vanilla frosting (smear on the plate) and huckleberry jam. The plate is strewn with freeze-dried rose petals, because what's a wedding without rose petals?

The Creamsicle dessert

layers white chocolate and tangerine curd on a graham-cracker rectangle, smothered in Swiss meringue (toasted with binchotan coal) and hidden

behind walls of stiff meringue. It's like s'mores for people who don't like chocolate.

And speaking of chocolate,

there's a terrific chocolate mousse, with white milk pearls, chocolate streusel and cocoa nibs.

Beverage director Mere-

dith Rush oversees a thor-

ough, thoughtful and price-

conscious wine list. Spec-

ialty cocktails have num-

bers, not names; I enjoyed

the #2, #3 and #6, if that

helps.

Tied House is still a part

of Schubas. (Gold is work-

ing on the gastropub menu

to be introduced there

soon.) The restaurant's

brick exterior continues

the brickwork on the out-

side of Schubas, but Tied

House's interior is strik-

ingly contemporary, done

in wood, tan leather, brick

and copper. A long mirror

hangs from the embossed

ceilings; vent and plumb-

ing pipes hide behind

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A front lounge, bustling every time I've visited, has a long, white-marble bar and large windows that overlook a spacious courtyard, dominated by a huge fireplace with a patina surround that looks as if it's been around for years.

In good weather, the lounge windows open completely. It's going to be a busy summer at Southport and Belmont.

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Sweet treat that satisfies both parent and child

BY ELLIE KRIEGER

The Washington Post

Whether you are someone who finds classic crispy rice treats irresistible (my daughter) or someone who would much rather have a piece of dark chocolate for dessert (me), this recipe will satisfy on all fronts.

Like the childhood favorite, these are homey squares of crispy rice cereal held together with sweet gooeyness. But here the sticky coating doesn't come from melted marshmallows and butter. It is from a better-for-you, more deeply flavorful and yet comfortably familiar blend of honey and peanut butter. Plus, these are made with whole-grain rice cereal.

The treats are sweet enough that my daughter lunges at them enthusiastically for dessert and thanks me profusely for making them, and because they do not have the typical cloying sweetness, I enjoy them as well. I've used dark chocolate chips here, but the treats are also wonderful with chewy dried fruit in addition or instead.

Ellie Krieger is a registered dietitian, nutritionist and cookbook author.



Peanut butter chocolate chip crispy rice treats

Prep: 15 minutes **Cook:** 2 minutes

Chill: 40 minutes **Makes:** 15 pieces

The slab of treats needs to chill in the refrigerator for 40 minutes before cutting.

1 Combine the honey and peanut butter in a large pot over medium-low heat; cook until melted, 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from the heat. Stir in the chocolate chips and then the brown rice cereal, coating it all evenly.

2 Grease a 9-by-13-inch shallow baking dish with cooking oil spray. Transfer the rice mixture to the baking dish. Lay a piece of plastic wrap over it to prevent your hands from sticking as you press the mixture evenly and firmly into the pan.

3 Cover and refrigerate for 40 minutes, until set, then cut into 15 equal pieces.

Nutrition information per piece: 210 calories, 10 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 27 g carbohydrates, 15 g sugar, 5 g protein, 60 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

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Kellogg's
Special K
Cereal
10.5 - 13.1 Oz.

\$1.99

When You Buy 5, Must Buy 5.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Kellogg's
Special K
Bars
5.28 - 7.38 Oz.

2/\$5



General Mills
Cereals
• Honey Nut Cheerios 12.25 Oz.
• Multi Grain Cheerios 9 Oz.
• Trix 10.7 Oz.
• Cinnamon Toast Crunch 12.2 Oz.
• Lucky Charms 11.5 - 12 Oz.
• Cocoa Puffs 11.8 Oz.

\$1.99



Hunt's
Snack Pack
Pudding
4 Pk.
5/\$5

Best Choice
Split Top
Bread

- White
- Wheat

20 Oz.

99¢



Kraft
Barbecue
Sauce
18 Oz.

5/\$5



• Chef Boyardee
Pasta
Meals
7.5 - 15 Oz.
• Hunt's
Spaghetti
Sauce
24 Oz.

5/\$5



• Restaurant
Sauce
7.5 - 8 Oz.
• Refried
Beans
16 Oz.
• Taco Shells
12 Ct.

5/\$5



Taco Bell
Seasoning Mix
1 - 1.4 Oz.
2/\$1



Little Debbie

- Nutty Bars
- Swiss Rolls
- Oatmeal Creme Pies
- Honey Buns
- Cosmic Brownies

10.6 - 16.2 Oz.

4/\$5



Bush's
Baked
Beans
22 - 28 Oz.

3/\$5



Always Save
Pickles
16 - 32 Oz.

\$1.69



Wesson
Vegetable
Oil
128 Oz.

\$6.99



Betty Crocker
Suddenly
Pasta
Salad
7.25 - 8.3 Oz.

4/\$5



Gatorade
8 Pk. 20 Oz. Btls.

\$4.99



A-1
Steak
Sauce
10 Oz.

\$3.49



McCormick
Grill Mates
Marinade
.71 - 2.83 Oz.

99¢



McCormick
• Grill Mates
Rub
4.87 - 6 Oz.
• Black Pepper
3 Oz.
• Tomato
Juice
46 Oz.

\$3.49



Red Gold
• Ketchup
32 Oz.
• Tomatoes
28 - 29 Oz.
• Salsa
15.5 - 16 Oz.
• Tomato
Juice
46 Oz.
• Tomato
Salsa
16 Oz.

2/\$3



Vitner's
Potato
Chips
8.5 Oz.

2/\$3



Kibbles 'n Bits
Dog Food
16 - 17.6 Lb.

\$9.99



Purina
Beneful
Prepared Meals
Dog Food
10 Oz.

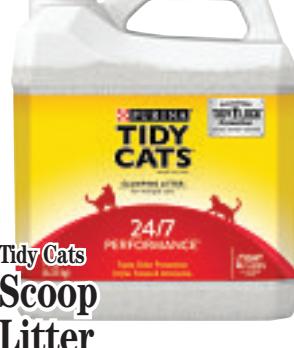
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3/\$5



Meow Mix
Cat
Food
13.5 - 16 Lb.

\$11.99



Purina
Cat
Food
13 - 16 Lb.

\$13.99



Maxwell House
24.5 - 30.6 Oz.
Hills Bros.

Hi Yield 30.5 Oz. or
Medium Roast 26 Oz.

\$5.99



Northern
Bath
Tissue
6 Pk. Double Rolls

\$3.49



• Bounty
Paper Towels
6 Pk. Big Rolls
• Charmin
Bath Tissue
6 Pk. Mega Rolls
12 Pk. Double Rolls

\$6.99



Scott
Bath
Tissue
12 Pk. 1000 Sheet Rolls

\$8.99



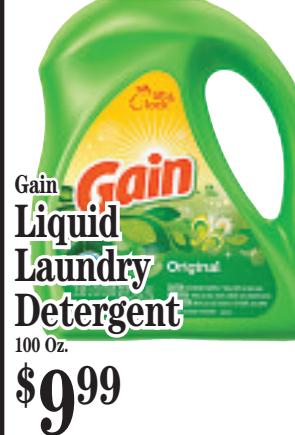
Cottonelle
Cleansing
Cloths
168 Ct.

\$6.99



• Cottonelle
Bath Tissue
12 Pk. Double Rolls
• Viva
Paper Towels
6 Pk. Big Rolls

\$5.99



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Liquid
Laundry
Detergent
100 Oz.
\$9.99



Gain or
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64 Oz.
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Detergent
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24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.
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•7Up •Dr. Pepper •A&W •RC •Sunkist •Canada Dry 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans or 8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls. 3/\$10	•Pepsi •Diet Pepsi •Mt. Dew •Crush 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans or 8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls. 3/\$11	Regular, Diet •Coke •Coke Zero Sugar •Sprite 6 Pk. 7.5 Oz. Cans 5/\$10	Regular, Diet •Coke •Sprite •Coke Zero Sugar •Seagram's Ginger Ale 2 Ltr. 5/\$5	•7Up •Dr. Pepper •A&W •RC •Canada Dry 2 Ltr. 5/\$5	Monster Energy Drinks 4 Pk. 16 Oz. Cans \$4.99
Regular, Diet •Coke •Coke Zero Sugar •Sprite 6 Pk. 5 Ltr. Btls. 4/\$11	•Mt. Dew •Crush •Mist Twst •Lipton Brisk •Schweppe's Ginger Ale 2 Ltr. 99¢	•Vita Coco Coconut Water 16.9 Oz. •Snapple Tea 64 Oz. 2/\$4	Capri Sun Drinks 10 Pk. 2/\$4	Propel Flavored Water 24 Oz. 10/\$10	Kool-Aid Bursts Drinks 6 Pk. 99¢
Lay's Potato Chips 9.75 - 10.5 Oz. 2/\$5	•Cheetos •Fritos 8 - 9.25 Oz. 2/\$5	Krunchers Potato Chips 8 - 8.5 Oz. 2/\$5	Sunshine Cheez-It Crackers 8 - 12.4 Oz. \$2.99	•Act II Popcorn 3 Pk. •Crunch'n Munch 3.5 Oz. 5/\$5	•David's Sunflower Seeds 5.25 Oz. •Slim Jim Snack Stick 9.7 Oz. 5/\$5
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