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Larry Eckhardt owns about 3,000 American flags, which he has posted at funerals for servicemen and women and emergency first responders.

ILLINOIS 'FLAGMAN' VOWS TO BEAT CANCER

He made it his mission to post Stars and Stripes at military funerals

BY TED GREGORY | Chicago Tribune

LITTLE YORK, Ill. — Larry Eckhardt can't remember the exact year he attended the soldier's funeral — might have been 2006 — or the name of the fallen serviceman.

But he remembers feeling heartbroken that so little had been done publicly to commemorate the man's sacrifice in his small western Illinois hometown of Aledo, which is Eckhardt's hometown too.

A few days later, Eckhardt bought 50 flags, each about 3 by 5 feet. He started posting them in the small towns in this remote region of Illinois when funerals were held for local servicemen and women.

And he kept doing it — growing his inventory and providing nearly 500,000 flags at memorial services across 13 states from Nebraska to Tennessee. But this year, he had to end what had become his life's mission.

In December, Eckhardt was diagnosed with an aggressive form of thyroid cancer. Now he's too sick to organize volunteers in



Eckhardt and his friend Angela Soule sit outside the converted elementary school where they live in Little York, Ill.

"When I leave, these families will always remember the flags."

— Larry Eckhardt, who has posted flags at funerals in 13 states

each community or even mount his modest Memorial Day tradition of posting flags around Little York, a tiny town along a creek more than 200 miles southwest of Chicago.

In his signature roguish style, he remains optimistic.

"I plan on sticking around," Eckhardt, 61, said one afternoon in the converted elementary school basement classroom that is his

apartment. His raspy voice was barely above a whisper. "I've got two ex-wives, and I'll be damned if I'm going to make either one of them happy by dying."

Unlikely patriot

A chain smoker with long sideburns, a glistening stud in his left earlobe and his great-grandfather's ring on a pinkie finger, Eckhardt often wears a short-sleeved, collared American flag shirt. He calls the flag the most beautiful piece of cloth in the world but takes little credit for organizing droves of volunteers who have posted flags at nearly 200 funerals, visitations or similar memorials.

He favors small towns, places that don't have resources, for his flag displays, he said. He pays for his efforts out of his own pocket.

But growing up in the area, Eckhardt said, he would have been the last person expected to travel around the country, hauling about 3,000 flags to the funerals and visitations of servicemen and women and a few emergency first responders. He described himself as an "ornery" teenager who

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Pastor's accusers skeptical of process

Willow Creek stresses reconciliation amid Hybels controversy

BY MANYA BRACHEAR PASHMAN
 Chicago Tribune

In the two months since Bill Hybels, the former senior pastor of Willow Creek Community Church, was accused of inappropriate behavior by multiple women in a Chicago Tribune investigation, the response from church elders has gradually shifted.

Their initially spirited defense of Hybels, who called the allegations misleading or "flat-out lies," turned into a limited apology for dismissing all of the women's concerns. "We do not believe that the stories were all lies," they eventually said.

Yet through it all, the elders have been reluctant to directly criticize Hybels, saying only that "at least some of Bill's choices were inappropriate," a response that the accusers dismissed as unsatisfactory.

Now, the elders have taken another step by hiring a Christian conciliation firm, Crossroads Resolution Group, to help the church communicate with the women and, leaders say, repair some of the damage the elders have done.

"Our doors are open — as are those of Crossroads — for any woman who is willing to come

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ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bill Hybels resigned last month as Willow Creek Community Church's senior pastor.

For justices, it's decision time again

Rulings to come on unions, gay rights, gerrymandering

BY DAVID G. SAVAGE
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court is heading into the final month of its term, facing decisions on gerrymandering, unions, gay rights, abortion and President Donald Trump's travel ban.

This term's best-known case is a culture wars clash that pits equal rights for gay customers against a claim of religious liberty.

In Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission, the court will decide whether certain store owners are entitled to an exemption from a state's anti-discrimination law because of their religious beliefs.

It began in 2012 when Jack Phillips, a Colorado baker and a conservative Christian, refused to make a wedding cake for same-sex couple Charlie Craig and David Mullins. Colorado, like more than 20 other states, requires businesses that are open to the public to provide "full and equal" service to all customers regardless of sexual orientation.

Phillips appealed on free speech grounds, arguing that designing a custom cake is a

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U.S. traffic deaths up, leads world in increase

More cars, distracted drivers cited as reasons



MARY WISNIEWSKI
 Getting Around

LEIPZIG, Germany — The United States is leading the world in increased traffic deaths, and distracted driving is a primary cause, according to a new study of 29 nations.

Only five of 29 countries saw a jump in traffic deaths between 2010 and 2016, and the U.S. had the highest rate of increase at 13.5 percent, said a study by the International Transport Forum, which had its annual summit in Leipzig last week. Argentina had the second-highest increase in traffic deaths, at 9 percent, and Chile experienced a 5 percent increase.

The United States also saw the highest jump in pedestrian deaths during the time period, at 39.2 percent, and a 34.8 percent increase in cyclist deaths. In contrast, Norway saw a 37.5 percent drop in pedestrian

deaths during this same period, while Israel saw cyclist deaths cut in half.

The increase in deaths in the United States appears to be tied to two main factors — more cars on the road due to a better economy and distracted driving, said Fred Wegman, chair of the International Road Traffic Data and Analysis Group, a division of the International Transport Forum.

"Distracted driving is more prevalent and prominent in the United States than in other countries," Wegman said.

The study found the United States also had one of the highest rates of road deaths per capita, with 11.6 out of 100,000 people losing their lives in motor vehicle crashes, compared with rates of 2 to 5 deaths per 100,000 in countries such as the United Kingdom, Israel, Japan, Germany, Spain and Australia.

Starting with Sweden, many nations and municipalities in the past two decades have committed to a Vision Zero strategy for reducing traffic deaths and serious crashes.

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MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Power prevails in Indy 500

With four laps to go, Will Power grabbed the lead at the Indy 500 and didn't let go. The Australian was running in third when Stefan Wilson and Jack Harvey had to pit for fuel. Power then held off pole winner Ed Carpenter over the final few laps for the victory. Danica Patrick ended her career with a crash. **Chicago Sports**

13-year-old follows father's footsteps to national stage

Atman Balakrishnan, of Hinsdale, has his eyes on the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee trophy. Since the age of 4 he has been admiring the one his dad won in 1985. **Chicagoland**, Page 3

Liz Phair looks back at classic 'Exile in Guyville'

Ahead of her return to Chicago for a June show at the Empty Bottle, singer-songwriter Liz Phair talks about her 1993 debut album, which shot her to the top of the indie music scene. **A+E**

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With new anthem policy, NFL tramples on First Amendment



DAHLEEN GLANTON

This Memorial Day, Americans owe an apology to those who have given their lives for our country. In our bitter dispute over the flag, we have let them down.

In our zeal to defend our nation's greatest symbol of freedom, we have overlooked the sacrifices made for our liberty. We have forgotten what it means to be free.

It is not enough to merely leave flowers and flags at the gravesites of our fallen heroes. Each of us must take a moment to reflect on their unselfish quest to uphold the ideals symbolized by our flag — liberty and justice for all.

These brave men and women, no doubt, understood the importance of freedom of expression and equality. They knew that these values, set forth in the Constitution, were worth dying for, because they are the foundation on which America stands.

In our self-righteous attempt to dictate how the flag should be recognized, we have lost sight of what it means to be an American. We have become so closed-minded that we look at someone and, based on nothing more than our own personal convictions, deem them unpatriotic.

Nowhere has this standard been applied more recklessly than toward professional football players who chose to kneel in protest over police brutality when the national anthem was played. Their actions invited stinging criticism from Donald Trump, who questioned their patriotism.

Last week, in a stunning act of capitulation to Trump's demagoguery, the National Football League ordered all of its athletes and staff to "stand and show respect for the flag and the Anthem" when they are on the field. They have the option of staying in the locker room. But if they take the field, they must stand or the league will fine the team. The teams can also fine the players and staff.

This was a victory for Trump and others who have sought to politicize our flag.

"You have to stand, proudly, for the national anthem. Or you shouldn't be playing, you shouldn't be there. Maybe you shouldn't be in the country," Trump



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

JROTC cadet Pablo Alvarez waits to march in Chicago's Memorial Day Parade on Saturday.

(The NFL's directive) slammed the door shut on everyone's freedom to exchange ideas.

said in an interview with "Fox and Friends" after the policy was announced.

In essence, the directive sought to close the book on the discussion and define once and for all who is a patriot and who is not. It dismissed the edict laid out in the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal," with certain unalienable rights. It denied players their constitutional right to protest cruel actions by the police that deem them less than a man.

When it comes to the flag, it slammed the door shut on everyone's freedom to exchange ideas. By the standards of our flag, that is un-American.

There is no question that our Founding Fathers realized that in a country built on the principles of free speech, there would be disagreements over what is appropriate. From the civil rights sit-ins of the 1960s to the campus protests over the Vietnam War, the Constitution has provided Americans a cloak of protection when voicing their objections.

Though the consequences of such protests historically often have been brutal, there has rarely been a situation where freedom of speech did not prevail. When it comes to the flag, the U.S. Supreme Court has acknowledged that even burning an American flag is constitutionally protected speech.

But we have always been a nation of intolerant people. We don't like the exchange of ideas when those ideas are different from our own. Intolerance flies in the face of the First Amendment. A person who has no patience for listening to one who speaks with a different voice ignores the First Amendment's purpose — to promote the free exchange of a range of views and opinions.

Nearly two years ago, when former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick tried to alert us to the unjust treatment a large segment of America was experiencing at the hands of unscrupulous police, many could not stand to hear it.

If it was not happening to them, then it wasn't really happening. Or, at least, it did not matter.

Kaepernick's decision to take a knee when the national anthem was played at the beginning of the game was his way of saying, "Listen to me, fellow Americans, we have a serious problem of police brutality in our country that is not being addressed."

The fact that so many other athletes, from the NFL to college campuses to high school football fields across the nation, joined in proved that Kaepernick was making a legitimate point. But many were offended by the mere fact that he had the gall to call

America out on one of its long-standing injustices.

He was deemed unpatriotic and essentially banned from the sport.

What happened to Kaepernick is unjust. And now, the NFL is attempting to diminish the rights of all of us by trampling on the First Amendment. We cannot let this narrow-minded group of Americans dictate what patriotism should look like.

Kneeling when the "Star-Spangled Banner" is played does not make a man less American than a man who chooses to stand with his hand over his heart. Refusing to honor the flag in a way that Trump and his supporters insist upon does not indicate disrespect for our veterans.

If anything, the man who takes a knee understands the value of living in a country where freedom of expression is allowed. He knows that this freedom is what sets us apart from countries like China and North Korea, where the government censors speech.

His protest is recognition of the debt owed to those who fought and died so that he could speak in his own voice. That is what it means to be an American.

Perhaps, more than most, he also understands why the words of our first president, George Washington, are as relevant today as they were in 1783.

"The freedom of speech may be taken away — and, dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep, to the slaughter."

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1985 Scripps National Spelling Bee winner Balu Natarajan with son Atman Balakrishnan, 12, a competitor this year.

'It's not only about words and spelling'

Hinsdale boy headed to Scripps national bee, which dad won in '85

By Tessa Weinberg | Chicago Tribune

The boy had a beaming smile to match the glint of the trophy he hoisted. When Atman Balakrishnan spotted the 13-year-old in a striped polo shirt with downy, black hair in his grandparents' photo album, he couldn't help but see himself. "Wait, I look like that except for the curly hair," Atman's mother, Meenakshi Balakrishnan, recalls him saying. The boy in the photo was his father, Balu Natarajan, in 1985, posing for a photo after his Scripps National Spelling Bee win. Atman, who was 4 years old when he first saw the photo, wasn't sure what the award was for, but he knew he felt inspired. "He had a trophy in his hand, so I knew it was something important," said Atman, now 12. Nearly 33 years after his father's win, Atman, a sixth-grader at Hinsdale Middle School, this week is heading to the same competition his dad once dominated.

"It was really something that resonated with him," Natarajan said. "And that's a big deal, because he's not a dramatic kid." More than 500 hopeful spellers will be traveling to Maryland to compete in the 91st Scripps National Spelling Bee that starts Tuesday. The national competition started in 1925, according to Scripps' website. It now features youths from across the world competing in multiple rounds broadcast on ESPN to win the first-place prize, worth over \$40,000.

The competition is fierce, with a record number of participants this year, thanks to a new wild-card program that allows some winners at the school level to enter. Despite the high stakes, Atman said he feels ready. "I feel that I've grown exponentially since even just a year ago," he said. "Now I know that you have to use roots and stems, and then you have to use language of origin." He giggles at the thought of how many spelling bees he's participated in since he started in third grade: almost 20.

"People call me a nerd. I think being a nerd is cool," he said. Atman's skill has come with practice, and lots of it.

He credits his father with showing him the value of discipline and suggesting practices that are now habits, such as bringing a list of words along on every car ride, and sticking to the time he wakes up to study.

"It's not only about words and spelling, but also it holds a lot of

family, teachers and friends, "and that helps me and makes me confident."

Natarajan does everything he can to help his son succeed. He quizzes him whenever he can. If he's out of town, they'll study over Skype. Natarajan credits his family's long tradition of valuing language with helping him win the national champion in 1985 — and was sponsored by the Chicago Tribune.

"My mom's uncle was an English professor in India when she was growing up, so appropriate use of the English language — spelling, grammar, all of those — were stressed since I was a small child," Natarajan said.

The first time Natarajan participated in a Scripps spelling bee at his school in fifth grade, he and his mother had come across a list of words in the local paper a few days before. She helped quiz him, and he wound up winning. Now he gets to do the same with his own sons.

A video of Natarajan's national 1985 win shows his eyebrows knitted together in concentration as he is given the final word, "milieu." He nervously bites his bottom lip and stares down at the ground.

After the last letter, "u," slips out of his mouth, a split second of silence hangs in the air before the crowd erupts in applause.

Natarajan became the second student to ever win from Illinois. In 1931, Ward Randall was the first Illinois competitor to win, according to Scripps' website.

No contestant from the Prairie State has won since — something Atman hopes to change. "For many reasons, including my pride in Illinois, I hope he would win," Natarajan said of his son.

Atman hopes to join the ranks of the "spellebrities," he's grown up admiring, like Gokul Venkateshachalam and Vanya Shivashankar, the bee's 2015 champions.

It's "you against the dictionary," Atman said. "The dictionary knows all the words, you don't."

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Balu Natarajan, 13, holds up his trophy after winning the Scripps spelling bee on June 6, 1985, in Washington, D.C.

"I know that both of us are very passionate about this and I feel confident when I know I have a role model." — Atman Balakrishnan

everyday values," Atman said. "I know that both of us are very passionate about this and I feel confident when I know I have a role model."

He starts his day spelling, waking up at 4 a.m. to go through word lists. After breakfast and practicing one of the three instruments he plays — the piano, viola or veena, a South Indian classical instrument — he heads to school.

After school, his jam-packed day continues,

with homework, dinner, soccer or tae kwon do, and more spelling. On weekends, he devotes 12 hours to studying, spending about 30 hours a week committing words to memory.

"It's a team effort," his mother said.

At school competitions, Atman's friends chant his name in encouragement. And during gym class, his teacher gives him a new word to spell each day.

"They're very supportive," Atman said of his

Quincy vets home part of budget talks

Rauner calls for \$246M to rebuild house plagued by Legionnaires'

By Rick Pearson
Chicago Tribune

A focal point in the already contentious race for governor has now become a focus for lawmakers negotiating a new state budget, as they assess Gov. Bruce Rauner's call for \$246 million to rebuild the veterans home in Downstate Quincy that has been plagued by fatal outbreaks of Legionnaires' disease.

Since a 2015 outbreak of the disease led to the deaths of 12 residents and sickened dozens more, the post-Civil War era veterans home has seen annual occurrences of the disease, including an additional death last year.

Rauner has found himself on the defensive over criticism his administration hasn't done enough to solve the problem. And critics also say his rebuilding plan introduced less than two weeks ago needs additional study. The Republican governor, though, has consistently said his administration did all it could to manage the outbreaks.

Lawmakers in both parties support funding to eradicate the Legionella bacteria likely coming from the veterans home's aging pipes. But Democrats who control the General Assembly are using the funding issue as leverage to try to achieve a comprehensive budget package that includes other capital improvements before the scheduled end of the spring legislative session Thursday.

"The governor's capital (plan) was in his budget. He's now added Quincy," Senate President John Cullerton said after a recent budget meeting of the four legislative leaders.

"Quincy's obviously very important, but we also need to be able to pass a budget so that the people that work at Quincy can actually get paid to go to work. So that's why the budget itself is equally as important," Cullerton said.

Rauner has asked for quick action on a separate spending bill for Quincy, and he said Democrats are turning the veterans home into a "political football."

"I think it's more excuse making for wanting to drag on a process and do finger-pointing and just play politics," Rauner said a day after Cullerton's remarks.

"Our veterans come first. They're our heroes. We've got to keep them safe. The General Assembly should be acting and acting promptly and not dragging this on and playing politics with the health of our veterans," he said.

There's little doubt of the potency of the politics surrounding the Quincy veterans home because the quality of care for frail veterans and the regional interest in preserving a major state institution resonate with voters.

Democratic governor candidate J.B. Pritzker has repeatedly accused Rauner of "fatal mismanagement" of the Quincy home, and his campaign recently poked at Rauner by saying it wanted a broadcast debate in the small west-central Illinois community along the banks of the Mississippi River. Facing political vulnerability, the governor has twice stayed in the facility. He invited a resident of the home to his Jan. 31 State of the State address this year, but the resident was diagnosed with Legionnaires' the following month.

Quincy even has been drawn into the contest for state comptroller.

Democrats have pounced on an email obtained by WBEZ-FM 91.5 in Chicago,

in which a then-top Rauner aide, Darlene Senger, suggested, "We can maybe tie this back to Duckworth." Senger was referencing Democratic U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth, the disabled Iraq War vet who headed the state's veterans affairs agency until 2009, six years before the initial deadly outbreak.

Senger, a former state lawmaker from Naperville, is now the Republican candidate challenging Democratic Comptroller Susana Mendoza. Senger has said problems at the home could have developed during Duckworth's time due to a longtime lack of improvements at Quincy. Mendoza and other Democrats contend it is an example of Rauner and his administration deflecting blame and avoiding responsibility.

Rauner has said his administration has "done everything that the experts have said and now we're going beyond what the experts have said" by rebuilding the facility.

But reports from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention made clear following the initial 2015 outbreak that extensive reconstruction of the water piping system at Quincy would be an answer, while tap filters and flushing water lines were not a lasting solution.

In its Dec. 3, 2015, report, the CDC said "the age of facility water infrastructure likely contributed to this outbreak through the natural biofilms which tend to grow within older plumbing systems."

In June 2017, the CDC report on a 2016 outbreak said it "was likely attributable to conditions favorable to the amplification and transmission of Legionella (bacteria) in the potable water system."

"Maintenance staff identified extensive sedimentation and biofilm in the 100-plus year old galvanized pipes. These pipes distribute potable water within the facility's residential buildings and continue to be associated with persistent positive Legionella culture results," it said.

In his February budget speech, Rauner proposed \$50 million for improvements to Quincy following newly diagnosed cases of Legionnaires'.

"In his budget address that he came out with... (he) said, 'I'm going to fix everything for \$50 million,'" said state Sen. Tom Cullerton, D-Villa Park, chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee. "We're going to get it fixed and done. Now, all of a sudden, 'I'm going to need \$245 million?'"

Tom Cullerton said the state would actually need to come up with \$85 million because federal funding through the Department of Veterans Affairs would pay another \$160 million. But lawmakers must still authorize the entire amount.

Democrats want assurances of the federal funding, and that provides another way for them to go after Rauner, who avoids speaking about the White House and President Donald Trump.

"We need a letter from the president that says, 'After speaking with your governor I am going to expedite that \$160 million that you need because it's important that our veterans stop dying and that it's important that our veterans and their families stop getting sick,'" Tom Cullerton said. "If the governor can't make that phone call, then I don't know what else to say?"

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Palatine High grad drowns in Wisconsin

Track coach calls him 'talented but humble'

BY CHRISTY GUTOWSKI
Chicago Tribune

Last week, as classes let out after an emotional first year of college, Palatine High School graduate Courtland Cornelius shared a message reflecting his faith and thankfulness on social media.

"Lord keeps on blessing me," the 19-year-old wrote.



Cornelius

Cornelius, known as "Court" to his family and friends, died less than 48 hours later in an accidental drowning at a Wisconsin lake,

authorities said.

He was swimming with his girlfriend Friday afternoon at Whitewater Lake, about an hour from Kenosha, where the teen had just completed his freshman year at Carthage College.

"He was my best friend," a sibling, Kendrick Cornelius, 24, said Sunday shortly after helping to pick out his younger brother's casket and finalizing other funeral arrangements. "I've shed all my tears. At this point, I'm just trying to be a rock for my family."

Authorities said they rushed to the lake about 5:30 p.m. Friday for a call of a swimmer in distress. Emergency crews searched the water for more than three hours before locating the teen just after dark, they said. The Walworth County Sheriff's Department is investigating the drowning.

Kendric Cornelius said he spoke to his brother's girlfriend, who described how they both swam out to retrieve a personal watercraft, perhaps a Jet Ski, and that Courtland Cornelius said he was tired and motioned for her to keep going.

"When she turned around, he was gone," the victim's brother said. "He was not a bad swimmer. I think he just got tired, panicked and swallowed some water or something."

Cornelius was not wearing a life vest, authorities said.

Cornelius graduated from high school last year in his hometown of Palatine, where he was a standout student-athlete on the football and track and field teams. He began his freshman year at an Iowa college but transferred in the second semester to Carthage, a private, four-year college his brother Kendrick had attended.

Both brothers excelled on the college's varsity track and field team, and the younger Cornelius broke a school record previously held by his brother as part of the 4-by-100 meter relay team — an achievement that Kendrick Cornelius said led to some good-natured ribbing between the two.

Teammates and other students set up a makeshift memorial on campus Sunday. "He was kind of a quiet kid at first, but as he got more ingrained with the team, he opened up a lot," said Josh Henry, his college track coach. "He was talented but humble, and he was a hard worker on the team and as a student."

"There was something about the way Court carried himself," said Joseph Towey, the teen's college adviser, "a confidence in himself that shined through."

Kendric Cornelius, of Elgin, described his brother as athletic and determined but also laid-back. "People loved him," the brother said. "They wanted to be around him."

Kendric Cornelius said his brother was eager to begin the college's football program. He was planning a career in criminal justice with an eye on becoming a police detective.

Last week, when he read his brother's tweet about God, Kendrick Cornelius understood. "He didn't take a second for granted," he said. "He always said 'I love you' before leaving. I feel like, in a way, he knew his life would be short."

Courtland Cornelius is survived by his parents, Christopher and Michelle; brothers Darquis, Kendrick, Cameron and Cadem; sisters Christina and Zaphane; and three nieces. Services will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at Glueckert Funeral Home in Arlington Heights. A Mass will be held at the funeral home at 11 a.m.

To help the family with funeral costs, a GoFundMe.com account has been set up and T-shirts are being sold in his memory at www.customink.com/fundraising/forcourt.

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EVERYONE'S SANDBOX

Sophia Harris, 4, plays in the sand as her parents, Brandon Hawkins and Ashley Fields, watch Sunday at Chicago's North Avenue Beach.

Pastor's accusers skeptical of process

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forward with concerns about Bill Hybels' conduct," the church said in a statement Friday. "We are interested in hearing every story, whenever it is that the women might feel comfortable coming forward."

But like the apology, the effort has been rebuffed by the accusers. They say the elders seem more interested in bringing the dispute to a close than in owning up to Hybels' actions and to the elders' shortcomings in addressing their concerns.

Adding to the mistrust, the church hired a firm whose founder, David Schlachter, was hired by Willow Creek's elders 12 years ago to address complaints that Hybels had been abusive and bullying toward staff members. Hybels rejected calls that he take time off, and an elder, who wanted to see the complaints addressed, resigned and left the church after working with the conciliator.

In response to questions from the Tribune, Willow Creek said Friday that Schlachter "has made clear that he does not want to be an obstacle to reconciliation" and will no longer participate personally. Instead, two other conciliators from his staff will work with the women.

The firm will act as a "neutral third party" for the women who don't want to come directly to elders with allegations of misconduct, said the elders' chairman, Lane Moyer, during a recent worship service.

"CRG will work toward mutual agreement on any further investigation or mediation," he read from a statement. "Crossroads' focus is to work with each woman individually and with the church on a plan that is agreeable to everyone."

Church leaders on Friday stressed that hiring Crossroads was a first step. "We need to agree on a path to find truth," the church said. "We can then advance toward reconciliation."

Hybels stepped down from the helm of Willow Creek last month after a Tribune investigation revealed allegations of misconduct with women — including church employees — that ran afoul of church teachings and spanned decades.

The alleged behavior detailed by the Tribune included suggestive comments, extended hugs, an unwanted kiss and invitations to hotel rooms. It also included an allegation of a prolonged consensual affair with a married woman who later said her claim about the affair was not true, the newspaper found.

In addition, Hybels had been the subject of a series of inquiries by Willow Creek's elders, including one conducted by an outside law firm, but he had been cleared of any wrongdoing in the allegations they examined, the Tribune reported.

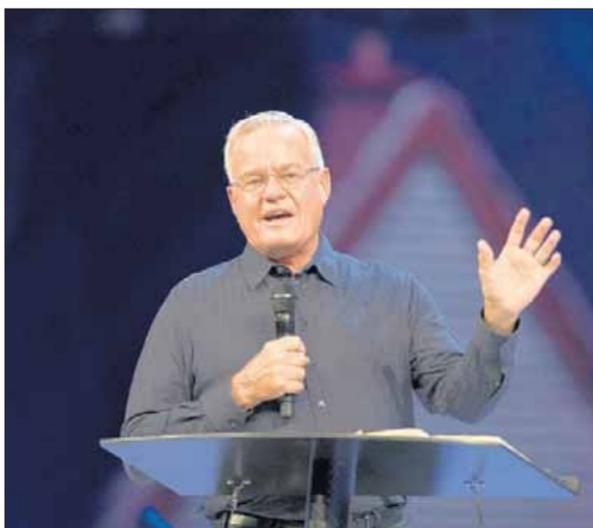
Hybels has not responded to requests for interviews since the article was published, though he has apologized for the tone of his comments. He no longer has any role with the church that he founded in a rented movie theater 42 years ago and built into one of the nation's most iconic and influential megachurches.

One of the women who is skeptical of the elders' recent move to hire Crossroads is Vonda



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"This is the time for Bill Hybels and Willow Creek to tell the truth," says Vonda Dyer, former director of the church's vocal ministry.



Hybels resigned from Willow Creek Community Church after multiple women accused him of inappropriate behavior.

Dyer, a former director of the church's vocal ministry.

Dyer told the Tribune that Hybels called her to his hotel suite on a trip to Sweden in 1998, unexpectedly kissed her and suggested they could lead Willow Creek together. She has shared her story with an elder, in hopes the church will demand answers from Hybels.

She has asked them not to contact people who can corroborate her story as part of an internal inquiry because she does not trust that process. She has declined to participate in the conciliation process, saying she would like to see an independent investigation.

"This is not the time for reconciliation," Dyer said in an interview. "This is the time for Bill Hybels and Willow Creek to tell the truth."

Her view was shared by Nancy Ortberg, a former teaching pastor who resigned from the board of the Willow Creek Association when members voted to accept the results of the elders' inquiries instead of investigating claims on their own. She told the Tribune of her own uncomfortable encounter with Hybels during an international trip years ago.

"Involvement in a conciliation process while the stories of women remain uninvestigated by an independent process would be wrong," she wrote on her blog Friday.

Nancy Beach, the church's first female teaching pastor, said she received a call from elders about the conciliation effort Wednesday before they met with the congregation. She had told the elders in August 2016 about inappropriate conversations and

a hug during a trip with Hybels to Spain.

She said if the elders want to truly care for the women, they will publicly retract all statements that any of the women or former church leaders are liars — and do so by name. They also will deliver a stronger apology for mishandling the allegations from the beginning and do a thorough investigation. She also questions their reluctance to criticize Hybels.

"Don't just 'walk with Bill Hybels and his family,'" she wrote on her blog Friday. "Call him to repentance."

Conciliation is not to be confused with mediation or arbitration. Unlike arbitration, it has no legal standing and the conciliator cannot offer an award. Unlike mediation, the goal includes the repair of a relationship. But parties can decide to pursue mediation to reach an agreement.

"The role that Crossroads plays will be determined by the women involved," the church said in its statement. "This is an effort to build trust so that we can move forward. Any work they do is helping us take that first step to identify what the process will look like. And the women involved will help determine that."

The concept of Christian conciliation has roots in Scripture and springs from the Apostle Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Christians should not rely on "unbelievers" to settle their disputes, he said; they should be resolved inside the church. That New Testament verse inspired several members of the Christian Legal Society to develop a biblical process to resolve disputes outside of civil courts.

At the heart of that process is another Bible verse that has guided members of Willow Creek and other evangelical Christians when it comes to conflict resolution: Matthew 18:15, which says if a brother or sister sins against you, confront him privately. If he or she does not listen, try again with a neutral party. If that doesn't work, take it to the church.

But Dyer rejected the notion that a woman should first be expected to meet with the pastor she is accusing of misconduct. The elders are charged with holding the senior pastor accountable for his actions, and at Willow Creek, she said, they have not fulfilled their duties.

"This latest step by the leadership and elder board communicates to me that they either don't understand the nature of the problem, or they collectively have no intention of discovering the truth and holding Bill accountable for whatever he has done," she said.

Failing to acknowledge a power imbalance between Hybels and the elders is why Betty Schmidt, one of the church's longest-serving elders, is skeptical of the conciliation effort.

In 2000, Hybels, a spiritual adviser to President Bill Clinton during the Monica Lewinsky investigation, surprised the elders by inviting the president to participate in a question-and-answer session at the Global Leadership Summit, an annual gathering sponsored by a nonprofit associated with the church. Knowing the invitation would alienate members, elders urged Hybels to rescind it, but he refused, Schmidt said.

Complaints were also mounting that Hybels had become a bully, often accosting employees with verbal tirades, Schmidt recalled. The elders did a character review and suggested he take time off, but he refused, she said. They also brought in consultants and conciliators, including Schlachter, the founder of Crossroads.

"There seemed to be too much power invested in one person and a lot of pushback when people would try to hold him accountable," Schmidt said.

The engagement letter between Willow Creek and Crossroads does confirm that Schlachter provided mediation services to Willow Creek in 2006. Citing confidentiality, he told the Tribune he could not comment on his role then or now.

Eventually, Hybels and the elders altered the governance model of the church and changed the elders' responsibilities. Instead of being responsible for church discipline and conflict resolution, they would focus on creating a vision for the church. A separate group of volunteers would handle conflict resolution.

But like Dyer, Schmidt said this is not a case that calls for conflict resolution.

"This is a pastor who has sinned and has not been properly held accountable for that," Schmidt said. "We're not starting with reconciliation. We're starting with truth-telling. Do a thorough investigation that's truly independent, not just this internal stuff with these elders."

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Cancer sidelines Illinois 'Flagman'

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cared about two things: getting a fast car and chasing girls.

After graduating from Aledo High School in 1974, Eckhardt followed his father and went to work at International Harvester in East Moline. He held factory-related jobs there until "I blew out my back big-time" in about 2004 and retired before he was 50.

By then, Eckhardt had become a landlord, renting out homes and later apartments in Little York. Today, he owns the converted Little York High School and elementary school, where he lives with a rescue dog named Sheba. His friend, caretaker and the person he calls "my savior," Angela Soule, lives in the apartment above him.

Despite being "busy doing my own thing" as a young man, Eckhardt recalled that he found fulfillment by restoring the landscapes of overgrown cemeteries in the area. That respect for the dead may have resonated with him when he attended the young serviceman's funeral in Aledo a dozen or so years ago.

"That was the one that made the biggest impact on me," said Eckhardt, who often attended memorials for fallen military personnel from west-central Illinois. "It just bothered me that there weren't more flags."

About two months after Eckhardt bought those first 50 flags and 200 smaller hand-held versions of the Stars and Stripes, a soldier from a nearby community died. Eckhardt recruited local volunteers to set flags along the route between the site of the funeral service and the cemetery.

It was a heartening experience, Eckhardt recalled, and prompted him to continue. He originally limited his flag postings to a 100-mile radius of Little York, but he kept expanding, and acquiring more flags.

By the time he became ill, Eckhardt said, he was hauling about 3,000 flags and two larger versions — one 30 by 60 feet, another measuring 20 by 30 feet — that he displays along a funeral procession or in a local gym or football stadium.

"It gives the community a way to say 'thank you,' and it gives them a way to show the family that they care," Eckhardt said. "You see the reaction that the family has, and it's because they know members of their community had to work to put up the flags."

Three trucks, 300,000 miles

Eckhardt, who's become known as "Larry the Flagman," has developed a method for his mission. After verifying when and where a visitation or funeral will occur, he contacts the local government and seeks permission for his flag display. Then he reaches out to the funeral home to ask family members if they'd like to have the flags posted.

If the family approves, Eckhardt contacts local media outlets, then "floods" Facebook and other social media looking for volunteers, who typically turn out by the dozens. They meet at a designated spot and set up flags on both sides of a procession's route.

After the ceremony or visitation, volunteers remove the banners and return them to Eckhardt, and he heads home or to the next memorial event.

"I figure if nothing else, when I leave, these families will always remember the flags," he said. "As long as they can remember those flags, they'll remember their loved ones. We're guaranteeing that they are never going to be forgotten."

He is on his third truck since 2006 and estimates that he has logged 300,000



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As he fights thyroid cancer, Larry Eckhardt is too sick to continue his work posting flags at military funerals.

miles. Although he charges nothing for his patriotic displays, people occasionally donate to the effort.

In Henderson, Ky., on Easter, a father and his three children showed up in the lobby of the hotel where Eckhardt was staying, he recalled. The kids asked if they could use their Easter money to pay for his room.

In rural Missouri, a school bus full of high school kids stopped, filed out and spread flags for 6 miles, Eckhardt said. In Ottumwa, Iowa, an elderly woman with a walker hobbled across a parking lot and offered to help.

And, in Oakland, Ill., a World War II vet haunted by the loss of so many friends thanked Eckhardt, shook his hand and forced a \$20 bill into it. Sobbing Gold Star mothers have hugged him. A bejeweled woman on a bejeweled horse saluted him.

"He's got a heart of gold; no doubt about it," said Dale Nannen of Hopedale, Ill., whose son, Marine Corps Maj. Reid Nannen, was killed in a training exercise in 2014 in Nevada. Eckhardt orchestrated the posting of 13 miles of flags on both sides of the route between the funeral home and the visitation at Reid's high school, his father recalled.

"People around here for miles and miles couldn't believe it," Nannen said of the flags. Fellow Marines, many of them Naval Academy grads, told him they'd never seen anything like it, Nannen recalled. "It was very touching; very moving."

At the Marine's four-hour visitation in his high school gym, Eckhardt had a giant American flag mounted on the wall and made a point of deflecting any attention directed his way, Nannen said. In the years since, Eckhardt has provided flags for the entire route of an annual run honoring the fallen Marine, Nannen said.

"Larry's very humble, humble, humble about all this," Nannen said. "That can't be stressed enough."

Seeing good in people

His illness surfaced late last fall, when Eckhardt started choking on his food and experiencing trouble breathing. A visit to the doctor yielded the grave diagnosis.

When news of the cancer started circulating, a friend, Jayme Horner, set up a GoFundMe page to help cover medical expenses: gofundme.com/larrytheflagman. On a snowy day in late March, local volunteer fire departments hosted another fundraiser, which raised nearly \$11,000.

Eckhardt underwent two surgeries on his throat and weeks of radiation treatments that ended in early May. About two weeks ago, doctors found a lump on his throat that

appears to be growing.

He has another round of radiation treatment set for late June.

"It's different, that's for sure," Eckhardt said recently, driving to another benefit for him, this one in St. Louis. "But I'm going to beat it."

Whether or not he pleases the ex-wives, Eckhardt encourages others to take on the simple but powerful gesture of raising flags for fallen military personnel and emergency first responders, to expand his work nationally. He said he's certain those who do will encounter what he has.

"I can assure you just how good people really are," Eckhardt said.

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Swastikas found on graves; man in custody

Associated Press

GLEN CARBON, Ill. — Authorities in southwestern Illinois say a suspect is in custody after swastikas were found spray-painted on several homes and dozens of grave markers at a nearby cemetery.

Edwardsville police announced on Facebook that a 34-year-old man was apprehended Saturday. Additional information on the suspect was not immediately available.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reported that employees at Sunset Hill Cemetery in neighboring Glen Carbon found swastikas on 150 to 200 headstones. Cemetery grounds Superintendent Mark Johnson said the vandalism was discovered Saturday morning. Glen Carbon is roughly 15 miles northeast of St. Louis.

Edwardsville police Sgt. Justin Towell said multiple homes in a subdivision were also vandalized. He said the same person may be responsible for both incidents.

Johnson said crews were called to clean the markers ahead of Memorial Day.



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Kardashian-Rhymefest spat is over local charity

Donda's House was named for Kanye West's late mother

By **MORGAN GREENE**
Chicago Tribune

Donda's House seems to miss the old Kanye.

The Chicago nonprofit — named for West's late mother and former Chicago State University professor — announced Saturday it's changing its name.

On Friday, Donda's House posted a statement on its website addressing West's insufficient "financial support" of the organization as well as his recent controversial endorsement of President Donald Trump.

A weekend Twitter feud between West's wife, Kim Kardashian West, and Che "Rhymefest" Smith, the South Side rapper and activist who co-founded Donda's House, gained traction after Rhymefest tweeted at Drake, asking him to support the organization and calling out West's alleged lack of support for Chicago youth.

Rhymefest, West and Executive Director Donnie Smith — a former CPS teacher and Rhymefest's wife — created the nonprofit to honor West's mother, who died in 2007, and provide arts education to Chicago youth.

Kardashian West accused Rhymefest of not being able to "sustain the foundation."

"You better believe I will make it my mission to take Donda's House from you and let my children run it the way it should be run!" she tweeted.

Rhymefest fired back with his own Twitter statement.

"I spoke to your husband about peace, and balance, as well as about the work that we have been doing in Chicago regarding Donda's House. He was more interested in his record," Rhymefest said about his



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Donda West, mother of Kanye West, was a Chicago State University professor.

correspondence with West.

"How can you criticize an organization that you've never physically been to OR that you've never even talked to the Executive Director or any of the team," Rhymefest's statement continued. "And lastly, I actually knew and was mentored by Dr. Donda West personally, and have met with and spoke to hundreds of her students and mentees who not only support the work that we are doing in Chicago, but compel it."

Donda's House released another statement on social media Saturday night.

"This has been an incredibly difficult decision but the social media quotes from Kim Kardashian West, as well as the expressed interest of her family running the organization, has brought us to this decision," the statement said about the name change.

Donda's House has not yet announced its new name.

"This was a painstaking effort by many people to take the research, the writing, the career, everything that was documented about Dr. West from her time at Chicago State University," Exavier Pope, a Chicago lawyer and board member of Donda's House, told the Tribune on Sunday about the nonprofit's founding.

"We've touched hundreds of young people's lives in the city of Chicago," Pope said. "We've all sought to bring honor to the legacy

of Dr. West, and I think it's unfortunate that a personal issue that has nothing to do with the organization itself is harming the organization."

Pope said the statements released by the board weren't a clapback against Kanye West — but his words should be able to stand alone from Donda West's legacy.

"The statements were designed to say, hey, listen, no matter what Kanye says, this is about the kids," Pope said.

The nonprofit has had financial challenges, Pope acknowledged, but the individuals on the board are still dedicated to its projects, including an arts incubator planned for the site of West's South Shore childhood home. "And Kanye West himself is on the board," Pope said.

Pope said he can't speak specifically to what the name change will accomplish or the organization's next steps, but he's hopeful everything will calm down.

"The important thing to remember is Kanye West and Rhymefest are family," he said. "This is just a big, giant family fight. It just happens to be one that's public."

Pope added that it's still a developing situation.

"Everything's still fresh and raw. I think eventually things will be sorted out in a way that will honor the life and legacy of Dr. Donda West."

West has yet to weigh in on the matter.

Meanwhile, Rhymefest, who did not immediately return a request for comment, is looking to other rappers to fund the project.

"I'm asking @Drake to help the part of Chicago Kanye has Abandoned!" Rhymefest tweeted.

"I spoke to Kanye about it. His response was (expletive) the youth of Chicago."

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It's another close scrape for coyote

Pup who survived 2017 attack escapes injury as tree falls

By **CHRISTY GUTOWSKI**
Chicago Tribune



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A coyote pup named Peace is shown in 2017 as he recovers from an attack that killed his five siblings.

Peace, the coyote pup who garnered headlines last year as the lone survivor of a brutal attack that killed his five littermates, survived another close encounter.

After being nursed back to health this past year at Flint Creek Wildlife Rehabilitation, Peace and two other coyotes narrowly missed being crushed over the holiday weekend when part of a massive oak tree crashed to the earth atop their enclosure.

The Saturday morning mishap destroyed the large pen and caused damage to a nearby red fox enclosure, said Dawn Keller, founder and director of the Barrington not-for-profit facility, which takes in more than 3,000 injured or orphaned animals a year.

The coyotes and red foxes were uninjured. She said several baby foxes or "kits" were scheduled to be moved into the enclosure later that day. The fallen oak also narrowly missed an opossum, a wild turkey and several Canada geese in smaller enclosures.

"It could have been much worse," Keller said. "Fortunately, no one was injured or killed and no one got out."

The rehab center temporarily halted intakes over the weekend while the staff moved the animals to other enclosures and cleared the mess.

Keller said the three coyotes instinctively huddled together in a corner of their demolished enclosure until freed from the wreckage and moved into a temporary cage. Though initially terrified, all three were doing much better Sunday, Keller said.

"They're much more relaxed," she said. "They're

missing their home with their pond and hollowed logs, but they're safe and calm."

This isn't the first time Peace the coyote has survived danger. A fisherman found him in a burlap bag last May in a Cook County Forest Preserve pond in Barrington Hills. Five other pups drowned. All had been beaten.

But Peace, who was just 1 pound, survived and has been at Flint Creek ever since recovering from his injuries, including a shattered leg. Staffers settled on his name as a way to advocate for the peaceful coexistence of coyotes and other wildlife and humans, Keller said.

The center's longtime coyote, Beautiful, who serves as a kind of surrogate mom to the younger fosters, as well as one other coyote, also were in the enclosure at the time of the accident.

According to Keller, the arborist who assisted her Saturday said that the tree, while healthy, likely fell due to its size and the fact it was leaning.

She estimated damage at about \$6,500, which included replacing the enclosure, hiring a tree service to remove the fallen oak and further cleanup.

The rehab does not receive government subsidies and relies on donations from the public. For more information, visit flintcreekwildlife.org.

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U.S. traffic deaths up as other countries see decline

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More than two dozen U.S. cities, including Chicago, have also agreed to a Vision Zero program. The initiative tries various ways of reducing deaths, including designing safer roads, greater enforcement and education.

Worldwide, traffic fatalities in 2016 were down 3.6 percent compared with 2010. If the United States, with its large population,

were excluded from this statistic, the decrease in deaths would be nearly 15 percent, the study found. Preliminary data also showed deaths were down in all countries studied in 2017, the study said.

However, while the number of deaths worldwide has continued to fall, it has gone down at a slower rate in recent years, the study found. Four factors could explain this: the economic recovery, which

puts more cars on the road; the increased popularity of cycling, associated with higher numbers of cycling deaths; slacker enforcement of traffic laws due a shift in police force priorities; and the rise in distracted driving, the study said.

Derek Kan, U.S. undersecretary of transportation for policy, said the United States started a safety data initiative last year to predict and better understand

what causes traffic fatalities.

“What does the data tell us — are there specific intersections, are there specific weather conditions, specific events where we see a spike in traffic fatalities?” Kan said in an interview at the International Transport Forum summit. He said the U.S. is working with local police and state transportation departments to examine causes.

Kan said the U.S. also wants to know just how significant distracted driving is as an issue in traffic deaths — the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that the number of crashes due to texting or talking on mobile devices actually fell in 2016.

“Is there a measurement error?” Kan said. “Maybe we’re not capturing this data correctly.”

As for the spike in pedes-

trian deaths, Kan said the U.S. is examining whether that is because people are walking more, more people are walking while distracted or other reasons.

Kan noted that fatalities in the U.S. differ widely by region — while only 19 percent of Americans live in rural regions, those areas see 50 percent of traffic deaths. This runs contrary to the stereotype of the peaceful country road.

“You have this massive disproportion ... the risk of having a fatal traffic accident is so much greater in rural areas,” Kan said.

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Weekday closures for O'Hare's 'people mover'

The “people mover” light rail system, which shuttles passengers around O'Hare International Airport and provides a roller-coaster-type buzz for some very young flyers, is being shut down on weekdays through the winter to allow for modernization, airport officials said.

Starting on Wednesday the people mover, also known as the Airport Transit System, will be closed Monday through Friday. Instead, passengers who need to connect between terminals 1, 2, 3 and 5 and economy parking will use an expanded shuttle bus service.

Shuttle buses will pick up passengers at the curb in front of each terminal and at existing locations in the economy parking lots. The Aviation Department promises the buses will run every 10 minutes but is cautioning passengers to allow extra travel time.

Signs will be posted giving directions to shuttle bus stop locations. The people mover already has been shut down on weekday evenings from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. Monday through Friday since April, airport officials said.

The city said the people mover upgrade will more than double its capacity to 36 new rail cars and extend it from its current endpoint in Economy Parking Lot E by 2,000 feet to the new multimodal facility under construction on the northeast side of the airport. The facility will provide a central access point for parking and rental car operations from Mannheim Road, the city said.

Construction started on the 4.5 million-square-foot facility in May 2015, and it is expected to be completed this year, said Aviation Department spokeswoman Lauren Huffman. It will connect to public transit serving the area through Metra and Pace.

The \$800 million cost for both the train modernization and the multimodal facility was financed through a federal Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan, along with general airport bond revenues. No local or state tax money was used, the city said.

The train and multimodal facility projects are separate from the massive \$8.7 billion airport expansion project announced for O'Hare earlier this year. That eight-year project eventually will include a state-of-the-art global terminal, dozens of new gates and several additional concourses.

It is intended to change an airport with a reputation for gridlock and delays by increasing growth in international flights and creating more room for domestic carriers.

Transportation song quiz

The lyrics to last week's song were slightly suggestive, by Edwardian standards. It was often used for car scenes in Warner Bros. cartoons. The song is “In My Merry Oldsmobile,” a 1905 hit. Bob Holdsworth, of Westchester, had the right answer.

This week's song tells of not actually being on a train but longing to be on one, drinking coffee. What's the song, and who sang it? The first with the right answer gets a Tribune tote bag, and glory.

Chicago Tribune

NATION & WORLD

U.S. delegation meets with North Korea

'Arrangements' for summit are in the works, Trump says

BY CATHERINE LUCEY, MATTHEW LEE, HYUNG-JIN KIM AND FOSTER KLUG
Associated Press

An American delegation met with North Korean officials in the Demilitarized Zone on Sunday as planning moved ahead for the on-off-perhaps-on-again summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

In a Sunday tweet, Trump said the delegation aimed "to make arrangements" for the summit.

"I truly believe North Korea has brilliant potential and will be a great economic and financial Nation one day," the president continued on Twitter. "Kim Jong Un agrees with me on this. It will happen!"

South Korea's president, Moon Jae-in, meanwhile, gave details about his surprise meeting Saturday with Kim in the Panmunjom truce village, saying Kim had committed to sitting down with Trump and to a "complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula."

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo tapped veteran American diplomat Sung Kim to handle pre-summit negotiations. On a separate but complementary track is the CIA team Pompeo set up last year when he headed the spy agency. And on a third track is a White House logistical group sent to Singapore on Sunday to prepare in case the summit takes place. It was led by Joe Hagin, White House



Activists march in South Korea amid efforts for talks between President Donald Trump and North Korea's Kim Jong Un.

deputy chief of staff for operations.

Sung Kim, the U.S. ambassador to the Philippines, also served as ambassador to South Korea and was part of the U.S. negotiating team that last held substantive denuclearization talks with North Korea during the George W. Bush administration in 2005.

The developments, after last week's whirlwind of uncertainty, appeared to flesh out Trump's assertion that the June 12 summit in Singapore that he canceled Thursday could take place as first scheduled. Trump told reporters Saturday that there was "a lot of goodwill," that the original plan was still being considered and that "that hasn't changed."

"We continue to prepare



South Korean President Moon Jae-in, left, greets North Korean leader Kim Jong Un before their weekend meeting.

for a meeting," State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert said in Washington as she confirmed that an American delegation was "in ongoing talks with North Korean officials" in Panmunjom in the DMZ, which separates

the two Koreas.

The Korean leaders' second summit in a month saw bear hugs and broad smiles. But their quickly arranged meeting Saturday appeared to highlight a sense of urgency on both sides of the world's most heavily armed

border.

The talks, which Moon said Kim Jong Un requested, capped a whirlwind 24 hours of diplomatic back and forth.

They allowed Moon to push for a U.S.-North Korean summit that he sees as the best way to ease animosity that had some fearing a war last year.

Kim may see a meeting with Trump as necessary to easing pressure from crushing sanctions and to winning security assurances in a region surrounded by enemies.

Moon told reporters that Kim "again made clear his commitment to a complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula." Moon added that Kim said he's willing to cooperate to end confrontation and work toward

peace for the sake of the successful summit with Trump.

Moon said he told Kim that Trump has a "firm resolve" to end hostile relations with North Korea and initiate economic cooperation if Kim implements "complete denuclearization."

"What Kim is unclear about is that he has concerns about whether his country can surely trust the United States over its promise to end hostile relations (with North Korea) and provide a security guarantee if they do denuclearization," Moon said.

"During the South Korea-U.S. summit, Trump said the U.S. is willing to clearly put an end to hostile relations (between the U.S. and North Korea) and help (the North) achieve economic prosperity if North Korea conducts denuclearization," he said.

Kim, in a dispatch issued by the North's state-run news service earlier Sunday, "expressed his fixed will on the historic (North Korea)-U.S. summit talks."

During Saturday's inter-

Korean summit, the Korean leaders agreed to "positively cooperate with each other as ever to improve (North Korea)-U.S. relations and establish (a) mechanism for permanent and durable peace."

They agreed to have their top officials meet again Friday. Moon said military generals and Red Cross officials from the Koreas will also meet separately to discuss how to ease military tensions and resume reunions of families separated by the 1950-53 Korean War.

Moon has insisted Kim can be persuaded to abandon his nuclear facilities.

On eve of holiday, president rages on Twitter

Trump targets Mueller probe, Dems, N.Y. Times

BY NOAH BIERMAN
Washington Bureau

Even as he reached a critical moment in his diplomatic efforts with North Korea and celebrated the release of a prisoner from Venezuela, President Donald Trump spent much of Memorial Day weekend tweeting angrily from the White House about the media and the Russia investigation, continuing his strategy of trying to delegitimize the probe that has consumed him since his election.

"Who's going to give back the young and beautiful lives (and others) that have been devastated and destroyed by the phony Russia Collusion Witch Hunt?" Trump tweeted Sunday morning.

It was unclear whom Trump was talking about, given that most of the people directly affected by the investigation have been limited to his inner circle and a handful of former campaign aides.

Trump instead referred to those hurt in romantic, generational terms.

"They journeyed down to Washington, D.C., with stars

in their eyes and wanting to help our nation...They went back home in tatters!" Trump continued.

Although a number of young aides have left Trump's White House — notably his former communications director Hope Hicks — most have departed as a result of the fierce infighting among administration factions, not because of the investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 election and any possible Trump campaign involvement and whether the president obstructed justice.

Trump's focus on the investigation — even on a weekend typically reserved for mourning soldiers who died in combat — underscored the degree to which the issue continues to obsess and frustrate the president, who believes it is an effort to delegitimize his presidency. His chief of staff, John Kelly, told National Public Radio this month that Trump is "somewhat embarrassed" by the string of investigations.

One continuing issue has been whether Trump will sit for questioning by special counsel Robert Mueller. The president's lawyer and close adviser Rudy Giuliani, appearing on CNN on Sunday, declined to say directly.



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The president accused the New York Times of making up a source, who was in fact a White House spokesman.

Giuliani said Mueller's office, which has been negotiating the parameters of a potential sit-down, would probably limit questions to those involving whether the campaign colluded with Russian agents and whether Trump tried to obstruct the investigation.

"The collusion part, we are pretty comfortable with because there has been none," Giuliani said. "The obstruction part, I'm not as comfortable with — I'm not. The president's fine with it. He's innocent."

"I'm not comfortable because it's a matter of interpretation" including how one views Trump's rationale for firing FBI Director James Comey in the midst

of the probe last year, Giuliani said.

Giuliani continued to try to help Trump undermine the investigation's credibility, a strategy that has helped Trump turn more Republicans against it.

Asked whether he thought the investigation is legitimate, Giuliani said "not anymore. I did when I came in."

Trump continued his campaign over the weekend of trying to sow distrust in the probe by calling Mueller's team of attorneys "13 Angry Democrats (& those who worked for President O)."

In fact, Mueller is a Republican and not all of the political affiliations of his

team are known. Mueller was named FBI director by President George W. Bush in 2001 and stayed on during the Obama administration until 2013.

Trump also repeated his allegation that the FBI's use of informants amounted to spying on his campaign.

"With Spies, or 'Informants' as the Democrats like to call them because it sounds less sinister (but it's not), all over my campaign, even from a very early date, why didn't the crooked highest levels of the FBI or Justice' contact me to tell me of the phony Russia problem?" Trump asked in one tweet.

Republican Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida pushed back against that claim while appearing on ABC's "This Week," calling it appropriate to investigate a foreign adversary's potential interference with the democratic process.

The FBI appeared to be investigating "certain individuals who have a history that we should be suspicious of" rather than the campaign itself, he said.

"When individuals like that are in the orbit of a major political campaign in America, the FBI, who is in charge of counterintelligence investigations, should look at people like that," Rubio said. "But they're not

investigating the campaign. They're investigating those people."

Trump's attacks on the media over the weekend may have been his most baffling.

In one of two Saturday tweets directed at The New York Times, Trump falsely claimed that one of its sources "doesn't exist." The paper quoted an administration official saying that reinstating a planned summit between Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un on the scheduled date, June 12, would be logistically impossible.

"WRONG AGAIN!" Trump tweeted. "Use real people, not phony sources."

In fact, the source was not fake. He was a senior official who briefed reporters Thursday in a session set up by the White House press office, which set ground rules requiring that reporters not use his name. Whether Trump was aware of that is not known — he often seems unaware of the work his staff does.

Trump, in calling the official "phony," was not only stating a falsehood and accusing The New York Times of making up a source, he was also compromising his officials' ability to speak on his behalf.

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Amid Trump tweets, crackdown, immigration numbers rise

BY SEUNG MIN KIM
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's attempt to blame Democrats for separating migrant families at the border is renewing a political uproar over immigration, an issue that has challenged Trump throughout his presidency and threatens to grow more heated as he imposes more restrictions to stem the flow of illegal immigration.

In one of several misleading tweets during the holi-

day weekend, Trump pushed Democrats to change a "horrible law" that the president said mandated separating children from parents who enter the country illegally. But there is no law specifically requiring the government to take such action, and it's also the policy of his own administration that have caused the family separation that advocacy groups and Democrats say is a crisis.

In April, more than 50,000 migrants were apprehended or otherwise

deemed "inadmissible," and administration officials have made clear that children will be separated from parents who enter the country illegally and are detained. The surge in illegal border crossings is expected to continue as the economy improves and warmer weather arrives.

"I keep imagining somebody taking my kids from me. My kids are 2 and 4 years old, and that's the age of some of the children that have been separated from their parents at the border,"

said Rep. Joaquín Castro, D-Texas. "When a lot of people hear the story, they get a similar reaction. They can't imagine why this would be a standard government practice."

Trump's deflection offers a familiar playbook, critics of the administration's policies say. In their view, Trump's most recent comments are strategically similar to tactics he used when he ended the Obama-era Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, and then insisted on hard-line

measures in a bill to permanently protect so-called Dreamers.

"He used DACA kids as a bargaining chip, and it didn't work," said Kevin Appleby, the senior director of international migration policy at the Center for Migration Studies, a nonpartisan think tank. "So now he's using vulnerable Central American families for his nativist agenda. It's shameful."

The situation threatens to reverse one of Trump's proudest accomplishments:

the sharp drop in illegal migration in the months following his November 2016 victory.

The recent uptick in numbers has left the president privately frustrated, and top administration officials have pursued numerous ways to crack down on increased migration at the border. The new zero-tolerance policy will almost certainly mean parents who arrive with children will be separated, because children cannot be detained in criminal jails.

For Supreme Court, it's decision time again

Supreme Court, from Page 1

form of expression. The court's conservatives, including Justice Anthony Kennedy, suggested during arguments that the owner may have been a victim of bias against religion.

The outcome could indicate how willing the justices are to carve out exceptions to anti-discrimination laws; that's something the court has refused to do in the areas of race and sex.

The result was hard to predict based on arguments in December. But however the justices rule, it won't be their last word on the topic.

Religious conservatives have gotten a big boost from the Trump administration, which has taken a more restrictive view of LGBT rights and intervened on their side in several cases, including *Phillips*.

Several legal disputes are pending over wedding services, similar to the *Phillips* case. Video producers, graphic artists and florists are among business owners who say they oppose same-sex marriage on religious grounds and don't want to participate in same-sex weddings. They live in the states that have anti-discrimination laws that specifically include gay and lesbian people.

The Colorado case is one of three major cases that feature a "compelled speech" claim from conservatives who object to liberal state laws.

The justices are expected to announce decisions between now and the end of June, and then adjourn for the summer.

The other major pending cases concern:

Partisan gerrymandering: The court will decide a political line-drawing dispute that could determine which party controls Congress and many state legislatures in the decade ahead. At issue is whether state lawmakers may deliberately redraw election districts to ensure that a particular party controls most of the seats, even when



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Charlie Craig, left, and David Mullins were denied a wedding cake by a baker in 2012. The high court is due to rule in *Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission*. Several legal disputes are pending over wedding services.

most voters cast ballots for the other party. In the past, the court has struck down districts drawn along racial lines, but it has never struck down an election map because it was unfairly partisan. The justices are set to decide two cases on the issue. One from Wisconsin (*Gill v. Whitford*) challenges a statewide map that assured Republicans at least 60 percent of the seats in its state House. The other, from Maryland (*Benisek v. Lamone*), challenges a successful Democratic scheme to transform a Republican-held congressional district into a solidly Democratic one by shifting tens of thousands of voters.

Unions and public workers: The court will decide whether teachers, police and other public employees in Illinois, New York and 20 other mostly Democratic

states can be required by law to pay a "fair share fee" to cover the cost of collective bargaining even if they don't belong to a union. The justices upheld such contracts in 1977, but said then that employees did not have to pay for the union's political spending. Anti-union advocates say the court now should rule that forced fees violate the First Amendment because they require some employees to support a group whose views they may oppose. The conservative justices signaled they

are likely to rule for the challengers in a case from Illinois and deal a blow to the public sector unions that traditionally support Democrats. (*Janus v. AF-SCME*)

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Voting rolls and purges: The court will decide whether states can remove people from the voting rolls if they fail to cast a ballot for two years and do not respond to several notices in the mail. Ohio says it wants to clean up its voting rolls, but civil rights lawyers said the state has wrongly removed thousands of registered voters. And they point to a federal law that says voters may not be dropped simply because of a failure to vote. (*Husted v. A. Philip Randolph Institute*)

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Baker Jack Phillips, a conservative Christian, argues that designing a custom cake is a form of expression.

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Marine Rene Garcia walks his daughter Sunday at the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery.

Ceremony honors fighters of fierce, key WWI battle

U.S. Marines helped allies secure victory at Belleau Wood

BY VIRGINIA MAYO AND PHILIPPE SOTTO
Associated Press

BELLEAU, France — High-ranking military officials from the United States, France and Germany on Sunday took part in Memorial Day ceremonies at an American cemetery in France to mark the centennial of the Battle of Belleau Wood, a turning point in World War I and a key moment in U.S. Marine Corps history.

The ceremony at the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery in the village of Belleau featured speeches by Marine Corps Commandant Gen. Robert Neller and other military officials. It also included prayers, wreath laying, poem readings and the national anthems of the three countries.

More than 5,000 people attended the event to commemorate the fierce, month-long battle, which is considered the first major engagement of U.S. troops

in the war. Belleau Wood, where Marines helped Allied forces secure victory, also helped to establish the prestige and reputation for bravery of the Marine Corps overseas.

Most of the 2,289 American soldiers, including 474 Marines, buried in the Belleau cemetery died in the French northern Aisne-Marne region in 1918. More than a thousand other servicemen are memorialized and honored by name on Walls of the Missing.

The June 1918 battle in and outside Belleau Wood and the decisive engagement of the U.S. forces became a defining moment in WWI by containing a break by German troops through the Western Front and foiling their push toward Paris.

After the hostilities of World War I ended with the Armistice on Nov. 11, 1918, many American families faced the decision of whether to bring their dead home or to have them buried where they fell.

Despite the distance and the decades that have passed, the service members still are honored each year for Memorial Day. But the

task of remembering them has fallen after 100 years to grandchildren or distant relatives.

Mark Shively and his wife, Linda, from Beaverton, Ore., also had a personal reason to be at the Aisne-Marne American Cemetery. They crossed the United States and the Atlantic Ocean to spend Memorial Day with the officer who left a lasting impression on Shively's grandfather.

"We've been talking about it for a couple of years, to come and visit France, to retrace his footsteps," Shively said. "We wanted to lay flowers here to remember (my grandfather's) commander. He really loved this man."

Shively's grandfather, Marine Corps Pvt. Norman Alfred Roberts, fought in the Battle of Belleau Wood in June 1918. After being wounded a second time, Roberts was sent home after the Armistice.

His unit commander, Marine Corps Lt. Carleton Burr, was killed in action in July 1918, after Belleau Wood. "My grandfather admired him very much," Shively said.

Discharged, jobless vets aim to change hire rules

Discrimination by employers limits job opportunities

BY JENNIFER McDERMOTT
Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Military veterans who were discharged for relatively minor offenses say they often can't get jobs, and they hope a recent warning to employers by the state of Connecticut will change that.

The state's human rights commission told employers last month they could be breaking the law if they discriminate against veterans with some types of less-than-honorable discharges.

Blanket policies against hiring such veterans could be discriminatory, the commission said, because the military has issued them disproportionately to black, Latino, gay and disabled veterans.

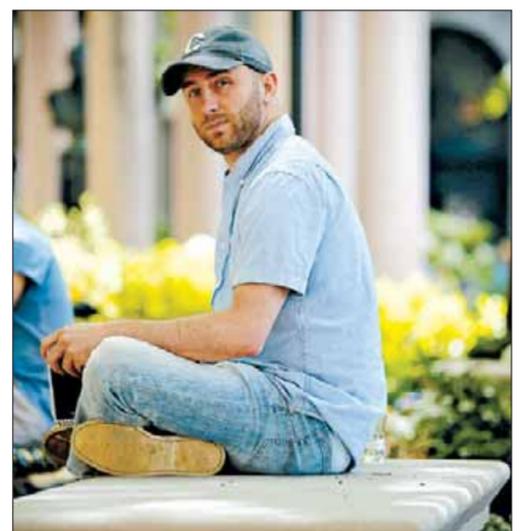
At least one other state, Illinois, already prohibits hiring discrimination based on a veteran's discharge status, advocates say, but Connecticut appears to be the first to base its decision on what it deems discrimination by the military.

Regardless of the state's reasons, veterans say, the attention there could at least educate employers.

"You may as well be a felon when you're looking for a job," said Iraq War veteran Kristofer Goldsmith. Goldsmith said the Army gave him a general discharge in 2007 because he attempted suicide.

An honorable discharge is the only type that entails full benefits.

A dishonorable discharge is given after a court-martial for serious offenses, which can include felonies. Other types of discharges in between — known by veterans as "bad



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Iraq War veteran Kristofer Goldsmith says the Army gave him a general discharge because he attempted suicide.

paper" — are issued administratively, with no court case, and can stem from behavior including talking back, tardiness or drug use.

The commission says its guidance focused on that middle class of discharges.

Sometimes such discharges are given to veterans whose violations come from post-traumatic stress disorder, like Goldsmith's, or brain injuries.

Many private employers may not be aware of extenuating circumstances or understand the differences between discharges, critics say. They either won't hire bad-paper veterans or won't give them preferences an honorably discharged veteran would get, the Veterans Legal Services Clinic at Yale Law School told the Connecticut commission.

The clinic, acting on behalf of the Connecticut chapter of the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, showed the commission job postings that require applicants who have served in the military to have been honorably discharged.

justices sounded ready to uphold it during arguments in April. (*Trump v. Hawaii*)

Cellphones and privacy: The court will decide whether police must obtain a search warrant based on "probable cause" before they obtain data from a cellphone company that would allow them to track a suspect's movements for days or weeks at a time. Privacy advocates agree on the need for warrants, but investigators say they sometimes need the data to identify a crime suspect or a terrorist. (*Carpenter v. United States*)

Online merchants and sales taxes: The court will decide whether internet merchants can be required to collect sales taxes for all the states and thousands of municipalities where their customers live. It is a \$10-billion-dollar-a-year issue for states, a potential headache for small-scale merchants and a matter of basic fairness for traditional retail stores, who must collect such taxes. In 1992, in the era of mail-order catalogs, the court ruled it was unconstitutional to impose such a tax-collecting duty on merchants who had no stores or "physical presence" in a state. In *South Dakota v. Wayfair*, the states say the justices should overturn that ruling.

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New bout of heavy fighting in Yemen kills 150 in four days

SANAA, Yemen — Heavy fighting in Yemen between pro-government forces and Shiite rebels has killed more than 150 people in the last four days, Yemeni officials and witnesses said Sunday.

Government forces have been trying to seize rebel-held areas along the western coast, while an allied Saudi-led coalition has been targeting the rebels with airstrikes in the northwestern Saada province

The offensive is being waged by ground troops carrying sophisticated weapons, including shoulder-fired missiles, with air cover from the coalition, the officials said.

Security officials say a Saudi-led airstrike near a gas station in the capital, Sanaa, killed four civilians Saturday and wounded 10.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to brief the media

5,000 nationalists in Berlin met by 25,000 counter-protesters

BERLIN — Supporters of the nationalist Alternative for Germany party marched through central Berlin to protest against Chancellor Angela Merkel's government Sunday and were kept away from counter-demonstrations by a police.

Police said over 5,000 people turned out for the demonstration organized by the anti-migration Alternative for Germany, known by its acronym

AfD. A variety of counter-protests against the far right attracted well over 25,000 people, they said.

The AfD event opened with German flags, placards such as "No Islam in Germany" and chants of "Merkel must go" outside Berlin's central train station. The party's supporters then marched to the landmark Brandenburg Gate. Opponents chanted "Nazis out" from the other side of the monument.

With a roar, flash flood smashes into a Maryland community

ELLICOTT CITY, Md. — Roaring flash floods on Sunday struck a Maryland city that had been wracked by similar devastation two years ago, its main street turned into a raging river that reached the first floor of some buildings and swept away parked cars, authorities and witnesses said.

News outlets showed photos and video of sudden, violent floodwaters surging down Main Street

in Ellicott City, some 13 miles west of Baltimore. The community, set along the west bank of Maryland's Patapsco River, was also stricken by deadly flash flooding in July 2016.

This time, witnesses said, the flash flooding came with a roar of on-rushing water after hours of heavy rain had soaked the region around Baltimore. Emergency officials had no immediate reports of fatalities.



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Rolling Thunder Ride: A Vietnam War veteran searches for names on the Vietnam War Memorial on Sunday as thousands of bikers and military veterans took part in the 31st annual Rolling Thunder Ride for Freedom motorcycle parade in Washington, D.C.

Conservative, leftist head to contentious Colombia runoff

BOGOTA, Colombia — The conservative protege of a powerful former president and a leftist former guerrilla who has galvanized voters with an anti-establishment message are headed for what promises to be a polarizing presidential runoff after gaining the most votes in Sunday's election.

With almost all quick-count results in, former senator Ivan Duque was leading with 39 percent of the ballots cast, short of the 50 percent threshold needed to avoid a June runoff. One-time rebel and ex-Bogota mayor Gustavo

Petro trailed in second place with 25 percent, edging out former Medellin Mayor Sergio Fajardo, who garnered nearly 24 percent.

Duque and Petro represent opposite ends of Colombia's political spectrum and have presented dramatically different visions for the future of the Andean nation as it moves forward with a historic peace process with leftist rebels.

Duque is the handpicked candidate of Alvaro Uribe, the ex-president and chief critic of the nation's 2016 peace deal with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia. He is promising

to amend aspects of the accord like ensuring that drug trafficking is not an amnestied crime and blocking guerrilla leaders from political office.

Petro supports the accord and has galvanized youth voters angered by deeply entrenched corruption and income inequality. He is vowing to end Colombia's dependence on oil exports and raise taxes on vast swaths of unproductive land in hopes of boosting agricultural production. Critics have warned his rise could push Colombia toward the left and rattle markets.

Italy PM-designate ends bid to form government

ROME — Italy's political landscape grew even shakier Sunday after the president refused to approve a proposed Cabinet minister with views critical of the euro currency, and the prime minister-designate quit his bid to form a populist coalition government.

After emerging from the presidential palace, Prime Minister-Designate Giuseppe Conte did not say why he couldn't form Western Europe's first populist government.

But Italian President Sergio Mattarella told the nation minutes later he had refused to accept the nomi-

nee the euroskeptic League and 5-Star Movement parties had put forward as economy minister.

League leader Matteo Salvini had virtually given an ultimatum over the economy minister pick to Mattarella, whose duties as head of state include sanctioning a new Cabinet.

H.W. Bush hospitalized for low blood pressure

BIDDEFORD, Maine — Former President George H.W. Bush was hospitalized Sunday in Maine after he experienced low blood pressure and fatigue, a spokesman said.

Just after 2 p.m., Jim McGrath, a spokesman for the 93-year-old Bush, said he was awake, alert and not in any discomfort.

He said Bush would spend at least a few days in the hospital for observation.

Bush was taken to Southern Maine Health Care in Biddeford. A spokeswoman said Sunday all information would be released by the Bush family.

Bush arrived in Maine for the summer May 20.

On Saturday, Bush attended a pancake breakfast at an American Legion post in Kennebunkport. He had been scheduled to attend a Memorial Day parade in the town Monday.

Florida authorities say a woman who was beaten and held captive for two days at gunpoint by her boyfriend escaped when she convinced him to bring their dog to an animal hospital — and then slipped a note to a staff member. The suspect is being held without bond on domestic violence and other charges.

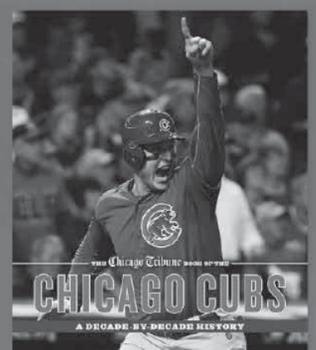
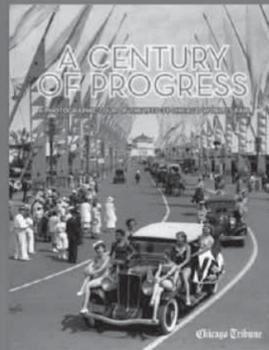
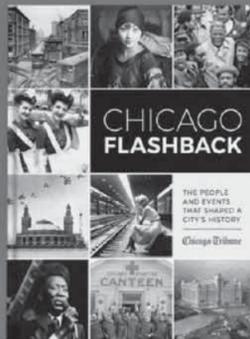
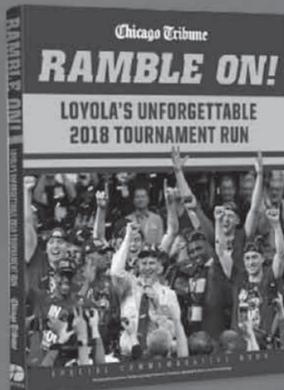
Another person has died in Congo of a confirmed case of Ebola, bringing the number of fatalities from the latest outbreak to 12, the country's health ministry said Sunday. There are also four new suspected cases in the province, the statement reported. Congo now has 35 confirmed Ebola cases.

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EDITORIALS

A Memorial Day request: Hoist a glass for Red today

The primary purpose of Memorial Day is to honor those who have sacrificed their lives to defend this country.

There have, though, been many millions of others who gave portions of their lives to warfare but survived. This day is theirs too. Most, like a former Chicagoan named Red Madsen, have come home from wars to lead ordinary lives. Not that their lives are the same as they would have been if they hadn't seen the bloodshed, the shattered lives, the lonely deaths. Many carry to the grave more unspoken memories than they would like. Those memories help shape, often profoundly, who they are and what they believe.

Yet when the time comes to write their obituaries, their military service and all it meant to them get reduced to a few lines.

Not so with Red. When he died, his daughter, Patricia, wrote an obit that wove Red's military experience into the rest of his life. She knew he had advanced, island by island, with U.S. troops approaching Japan in the weeks before two atomic bombs ended World War II.

Not until after Red's death, though, did she learn he had earned a Bronze Star for combat heroism. He'd never mentioned it.

The obit was submitted to The Des

Moines Register, where it charmed a young reporter who came across it. He shared it with a few friends. Since then, ever-fainter photocopies have quietly circulated throughout the Midwest.

Here, with Patricia Anne Madsen's permission, is an excerpt from her celebration of her father's life:

Harry N. "Red" Madsen, 76, retired railroad brakeman, died Sept. 15, 1996, in Audubon, Iowa, 13 miles from where he was born.

After graduating from Audubon High School, he moved to Chicago. Shortly after Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the Army, which put him in the Signal Corps. During training, he met Betty Kaplan, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and married her in Stuart, Fla., before he was shipped to the Pacific. When the Army finally let Red go in 1946, he and Betty settled in Chicago. He returned to Audubon and Westphalia, Iowa, working as a custom butcher. He later worked the railroad, most of the time for the Chicago & North Western. He married three times, with two of his spouses passing away.

Red Madsen loved his wives, his kids, everybody else's kids, his family, dogs, fishing, whittling, doodling, reading (espe-

cially Mark Twain), Cord automobiles, hoisting a few with friends and telling stories. It pleased him that mischief might break out at any time, but it distressed him if anyone got hurt by it, unless maybe it was some powerful S.O.B. who deserved it.

He hated hypocrisy, racial injustice (or any other kind), war and giving orders. He worked hard, played hard, loved hard, and there was not much in the world that didn't interest him. If he knew you could use \$20 and he had it to give, you'd have it. He despised locks and rarely used them — liked to say that if some poor so-and-so needed something that badly, he shouldn't have to break in too.

He left very little behind except exasperated commanders, bemused bosses, charmed waitresses and a special place in the heart of nearly everyone who ever met him, all of whom are happy he has been released from pain and sorry as hell to lose him.

Contributions may be made as follows: Hoist one in Red's memory and overtip the waitress by a fair factor. If you can't stop at one, just overtip the waitress — she needs it more than you. Give a bum a dollar, maybe five, and for once, don't

worry about what he'll do with it. Learn something new. Make a fool of yourself so a child will laugh. Help get food to the hungry and don't worry about whether they deserve it. Don't worry about being safe.

In fact, don't waste much energy worrying at all. Let life break your heart, and not just once. Love your neighbor and yourself and your God, if you're lucky enough to have one, with your whole heart. Every now and then, when no one is looking, go ahead and pick a flower you're not supposed to pick, but quick as you can, give it to someone.

Remember, the second year the same person plants sweet corn next to where you work, they must mean for you to have some, because they know what happened last year.

And if someone uses a racial epithet around you, let 'em know that you'd just as soon they didn't, because Red Madsen and a lot of other guys got shot at by people who thought that way, and you don't want to be on the same side as anybody who would take a shot at Red.

This editorial first appeared in the Tribune on Memorial Day 2001.

To kill a superbug

Scientists and political leaders have warned for years of the looming health peril posed by so-called superbugs — bacteria that have gained resistance to current antibiotics. Researchers across the globe are locked in an international arms race to find new, more potent antibiotics. This is a battle to the death — with tens of millions of lives possibly at stake: If superbugs prevail, common infections now widely treated with antibiotics (think strep) may become lethal for many people.

So we perked up at the news of a new class of antibiotics that can wipe out many infections in the lab and in animal tests, including some bugs resistant to many traditional antibiotics. Researchers at New York's Rockefeller University report the discovery of these antibiotics, called malacidsins, in the journal *Nature Microbiology*.

Where did they find them? In dirt. Researchers extract DNA from the soil samples and then grow it in the lab and test its ability to KO bacteria.

This is an exciting development for the human side of this arms race. But it's not a superweapon to defeat superbugs once and for all.

One reason: There are too many bugs, and they're too wily to be defeated by a single antibiotic. Some of the fiercest bacteria have not one skin (membrane) but two. Drugs that work their way through the first may not be able to pierce the second. And then, if an antibiotic manages to defeat both shields, it may be ejected by what's known as an "efflux pump" in the cell. Think nightclub bouncer.

Another reason: These malacidsins face years of testing before they may be ready



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for human use. "It's a long road from exciting things happening in the lab to getting through a clinical process to the patient's bedside," Kathy Talkington, director of the Pew Charitable Trusts'

antibiotic resistance project, tells us. The odds are stacked against new antibiotic products: Historically, only 1 in 5 infectious disease drugs that enter clinical testing will ultimately be proved safe and

effective enough to reach the market, according to Pew.

For the past few years, Pew has been tracking the pipeline of antibiotics in clinical development that carry the potential to treat or prevent serious resistant bacterial infections. Prognosis: Too few new antibiotics are in development to treat the most dangerous infections. Of those in development, only 12 have the potential to address the most critical pathogens.

That's why a joint federal-private partnership called CARB-X — Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria Accelerator — aims to kick-start early stage drug development. The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases is awarding a new cache of seed money to develop new antibiotics.

New drugs alone won't eradicate superbugs, however. Doctors, too, play a major role. Many have become reluctant to prescribe antibiotics for patients who demand them even if they're unlikely to work. An estimated 1 of every 3 antibiotics prescribed in outpatient settings are unnecessary, but there is evidence that suggests many doctors are throttling back.

Livestock producers help stoke this crisis by adding the drugs to animal feed to promote growth. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has now eliminated the use of medically important antibiotics for animal growth promotion. Smart move.

Unfortunately, victory is not at hand. Ever more powerful antibiotics will face ever more wily bacteria. The arms race never ends in the quest to humble one of the fiercest enemies humankind ever has faced.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

John McCain always said he'd go down fighting, and so he has, dickering from his deathbed over CIA nominee Gina Haspel and pre-emptively disinventing President Donald Trump from his funeral. ...

The irony of McCain's curtain-closing contrempts with the president is that it is clearly Trump himself who has inherited McCain's mantle as the leading Republican maverick in Washington.

Both men have often taken on the party orthodoxy across an array of big issues, with Trump running as the ultimate populist outsider in 2016 and spouting apostasies on trade, immigration and foreign policy; and McCain doing so on just about everything at one point or another during his long career.

Both are known for being irascible and often bad-tempered, and unsparing toward enemies and rivals, even in their own party. Indeed, during McCain's first run for president in 2000 he managed to enlist only a handful of his 53 Senate Republican colleagues to support him over George W. Bush, and some cited his volcanic anger and congenital impatience (traits that McCain insists he has since reined in) as reasons. As one GOP senator told me back then, "I didn't want this guy anywhere near a trigger."

The two politicians even share some views on the proper use of American force in the world and the perils of palliative diplomacy — McCain opposed the Iran nuclear deal as fiercely as Trump, for one.

The similarities, however, probably end there.

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Many women protested after President Donald Trump's inauguration. If you vote Republican, you aren't feminist, according to the movement's current leading lights.

It's true: These days conservatives can't be 'feminists'



HEATHER WILHELM

In a recent New York Times op-ed, feminist writer Jessica Valenti argued that conservatives can't be feminists, and that any claim to the contrary boils down to an empty charade. Conservatives, she wrote, actively undermine the key tenets of feminism, no matter what label they attempt to "co-opt" or claim: "The truth," she continued, "is that while feminism need not be complicated — it's a movement for social, economic and political justice — it is not for everyone."

I don't often agree with the louder voices in the modern feminist movement — and by "don't often," I mean "almost never" — and so it is with a sense of bemused amazement that I type the following words: Amen, sister. Right on.

Today's feminism is clearly not for everyone, and it hasn't been for a long time. You can't really be a conservative and a feminist, at least not these days. This is because the modern feminist movement is no longer focused on empowering women for women's sake. Instead, feminism stands as a not-so-subtle code word for over-the-top progressivism, served with a hefty side order of shaming.

"Now that feminism is more culturally and politically powerful than it

has been in decades ... conservatives are eager to capitalize on its cachet," Valenti wrote. The task of the modern-day feminist, she concludes, is "protecting the movement against conservative appropriation."

As a quick aside, I deeply and sincerely wish the word "appropriation" — you know, as in "cultural appropriation," that supposed oppressive phenomenon through which people on the internet blow their tops and yell swear words at complete strangers about things like high school prom dresses — would go ahead and jump the shark.

Sadly, we're not that lucky. Appropriation is quite the hot buzzword right now, and as such, the egregious appropriation of the concept of appropriation will likely spread, like kudzu or cold-shoulder tops, whether this appropriation is appropriate or not.

Anywho, back to our topic, where a far more important question lies in wait, like Don Draper from "Mad Men" loitering near a bar cart in a conference room. That question is this: Who in their right mind would want to appropriate today's brand of feminism, given that it is a total mess? If it were a ship, today's feminism would be driven by a proverbial clenched-jawed and obsessive Captain Ahab, steering the doomed vessel into the clutches of various ideological drag-you-down whales.

I know that sounds harsh, but it's true. Sure, you might think women and men deserve equal rights and opportunities, but that alone is terribly old-fashioned. Do you doubt that women are constant victims of a sinis-

ter overarching patriarchy? Sayonara, lady! Do you think that abortion is about a life, not a right? Be gone! Do you largely appreciate free markets and capitalism? Oh, dear. Do you think the vast majority of university women's studies departments have largely run out of things to do, sometimes cooking up ridiculous theories simply because they're bored? Skedaddle! Do you vote for Republicans? How dare you? You are not, at least according to the movement's current leading lights, a feminist.

The weirdest element of today's progressive feminism is also its most ironic: The movement is obsessed — and here we are back to old Captain Ahab — with a dreadfully tired script.

When my mother was growing up, she thought she could be only one of three things: a teacher, a nurse or a farmer's wife. By the time I was a kid in the '80s, thanks to earlier renditions of feminism, we'd come a long way. I wanted to be an archaeologist or a U.S. Supreme Court justice or, on my crazier days, a writer. Today, young women are repeatedly told they can do and be anything they might dream.

That's why it was puzzling to see this year's commencement address at Barnard College, given by soccer star Abby Wambach. "Women are feared as a threat to our system," she declared, arguing that girls in our society are told to "stay on the path. Don't talk to anybody. Keep your head down hiding underneath your 'Handmaid's Tale' cape. ... Don't be curious, don't make trouble, don't say too much or bad things will happen." Really? In America today? Or even in 1996, when

many of the Barnard graduates were born? Perhaps I am living on Earth 2, and this speech took place on Earth 1, which is still stuck in the 1950s; then it would make sense. (Well, except for "The Handmaid's Tale" part, but that never really makes sense anyway.)

Unfortunately, this leads us to one of the most enduring themes of modern feminism: victimhood. An interesting foil to all of this appeared, oddly enough, in the Times, just days after Valenti's op-ed was published. Titled "Why Being a Foster Child Made Me a Conservative," it was written by Rob Henderson, a recent Yale graduate who served in the Air Force. His childhood, to put it mildly, was not easy.

"Last year, a fellow student told me I was a victim. Yale is the only place where someone has said this to me," Henderson wrote. "I responded that if someone had told me I was a victim when I was a kid, I would never have made it to the Air Force, where I served for eight years, or to Yale. I would have given up. When I was 10, a teacher told me that if I applied myself, I could alter my future. This advice changed my life."

There's a lesson here, if feminists care to see it. Perhaps constantly telling people they're victims isn't so empowering after all. It's at least worth some thought, even though it was written by — gasp, behold, the patriarchy! — a man.

National Review

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Conservatives need to argue about ideas, not Trump



JONAH GOLDBERG

"Let's grow up, conservatives."

That call to arms was delivered by Barry Goldwater at the 1960 Republican convention to implore members of the then-youthful conservative movement to hold their noses and rally around Richard Nixon's candidacy.

Neal Freeman, a battle-scarred veteran of the conservative movement — he was a correspondent for National Review and the producer of William F. Buckley's TV show, "Firing Line," among other tours of duty — recently echoed Goldwater's clarion call for a different cause. It is time for conservatives to get to work on updating or even reinventing what it means to be a conservative. The conservatism of the last 50 years, programmatically, politically and psychologically, is in dire need of rejuvenation.

One sign of the exhaustion, Freeman writes, "is that the largest and most urgent issues are left unaddressed by any of the

entrenched interests. Incumbent politicians deal with old issues. Movements ride new issues."

The most obvious such issue is the exploding debt, which both parties have decided is something they should only care about when trying to unseat their rivals, if at all.

But the challenge of the debt is a bipartisan or, more aptly, a nonpartisan one, simply because the math doesn't care about your politics. The pressing question for conservatives is, simply, "What is a conservative?"

"Are we free traders or fair traders?" Freeman asks. "Do we want open borders or high barriers? Can we save public education or should we euthanize it?"

Part of the dilemma is that in the modern era, Republican presidents define for many Americans (particularly in the media) what conservatism is, just as Democratic presidents tend to define what liberalism is. That may not be true in the egg-headier or more ideologically pure corners of the left and right, but for lots of normal Americans, that's just how it works. Conservatism, in journalistic shorthand, is largely whatever constitutes the "Trump agenda" at any given moment, just as liberalism was whatever Barack Obama wanted to do when he was president.

But this is a remarkably recent devel-

opment, and the fact that we assume it should work this way is a symptom of the polarization of the moment, which recasts partisan loyalty as philosophical principle.

Lyndon Johnson did not define liberalism for legions of left-leaning activists and voters, nor did Nixon define conservatism among the ranks of right-leaning ones (which is why Goldwater felt it necessary to plead with conservatives to support Nixon).

Indeed, despite the fact that modern American conservatism allies itself with an old, even ancient, political tradition, it's largely forgotten that it is arguably the youngest of political movements in America — certainly younger than progressivism, socialism or libertarianism (in all of its strains from anarchism to classical liberalism).

I understand very well that conservatives often bristle at the idea they need to change with the times. As the famous line from (the far from famous) Lucius Cary, 2nd Viscount Falkland, goes, "Where it is not necessary to change, it is necessary not to change."

But we forget that the conservative movement's strength came from the fact that it was armed with new arguments from diverse intellectual sources. More importantly, its vigor stemmed from the fact that these various strains of conserva-

tives were eager to argue amongst themselves. There are arguments aplenty on the right these days, but the vast majority of them are arguments over a specific personality — Donald Trump — not a body of ideas. And to the extent that there are arguments about ideas, they tend to be subsumed into the larger imperative to attack or defend Trump.

As I've argued before, the best thing Trump did was to shatter the calcified and sclerotic policy agenda of Reaganism. To paraphrase "Ghostbusters," he was not the form of destroyer I would have picked, but the destruction was necessary nonetheless.

Don't misunderstand me: Reagan was the indispensable man for his time. But the challenge for conservatives — at least my brand of conservatives — is to find ways to apply Reaganite principles to our times.

It is possible, all too possible, that the Reaganites will fail to win the necessary arguments ahead. But that is not an argument against having those fights, for the Reaganites will surely lose them by default if they don't argue. We need more arguments — but the right arguments.

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Iranian President Hassan Rouhani speaks during a ceremony last month in Tehran. A new report by the Committee to Protect Journalists calls out Rouhani over free speech.

Iran will lose its war against free expression

By JASON REZAIAN

Recently, my editors received a message from Iran's permanent mission at the United Nations. Iranian officials were complaining about a minor detail in a story I had written. They claimed it was factually inaccurate, and they wanted a correction.

I'll admit, it got under my skin a little.

For a year and a half, that same government ran a very public and slanderous disinformation campaign against me while they kept me isolated in prison, blocking me from communication with the outside world and denying me the right to defend myself.

It was a double whammy of lies perpetuated by Iran's state media, which spread hundreds, perhaps thousands, of false stories about me through the internet and regime officials who repeated the same baseless charges whenever someone asked about me.

The thing is, though, it really didn't matter, because nobody bought it.

It was a tiny moment in the Islamic Republic's long war of attrition on expression. It's a war that Tehran is clearly losing but refuses to give up.

In a new report, the Committee to Protect Journalists, an international watchdog group, calls out Iran's president, Hassan Rouhani, for doing almost nothing to improve the Islamic Republic's abysmal record on free speech. He had pledged to do so during his campaign, but today, nearly five years into his presidency, he has failed to deliver.

Even so, the news isn't all bad. The realities of the modern world — widespread internet penetration, a highly educated and tech-savvy population that has grown accustomed to interacting virtually rather than in person, and broad access to broadcasts that challenge and often directly contradict state media outlets — are all changing the country in ways that are far beyond Iran's theocratic leadership's ability to control.

The CPJ report illustrates just how different (and ultimately futile) today's authoritarians' attempts at silencing dissent are compared with those of their

predecessors.

The report is based on dozens of interviews with journalists currently and previously based in Iran (including me). It provides the most consistent portrait to date of how the regime's approach to controlling information is evolving (and often falling short).

The study highlights how Rouhani and other Iranian officials have often avoided giving interviews with reporters knowledgeable on Iran. I experienced this for years as a member of Iran's tiny foreign press corps and now as someone who covers it regularly from abroad. Iranian leaders are happy to talk to reporters who have large audiences but aren't familiar with the details of life in the country.

That, of course, is a relatively benign approach to controlling foreign coverage. But the regime also has a proven record of trying to control journalists based overseas by subjecting them to harassment, surveilling them and even imprisoning their family members. And when it's a matter of responding to Iranian journalists, the government doesn't hesitate to resort to tuggery that's even more overt. Clearly, these are the only tools the authorities have left.

Spoiler alert: It's a losing battle.

The CPJ offers some easy and potentially effective recommendations to the Iranian government, should it wish to do better. The group suggests that Iranian officials pass laws ensuring press freedom, cease harassing journalists at home and abroad, and stop trying to block information circulating online and via satellite.

But Tehran won't take any of that advice. Maintaining control is the authoritarian regime's default stance. In the absence of full control, the perception that you have it is the only viable alternative.

Iranian officials often complain that they don't get a fair shake from the global media. Wherever one stands on the questions of the Islamic Republic's legitimacy or longevity, the fact remains that no one is better at creating bad press for Tehran than the regime itself.

The CPJ also makes several recommendations to members of the international community, especially the governments of the U.S. and the European Union, on how they can promote free expression in Iran.

Unfortunately, the leaders of the world's freest societies are falling short. The report requests that the EU make press freedom a priority in bilateral and multilateral meetings with Iranian officials and "apply the E.U. Human Rights Guidelines on Freedom of Expression Online and Offline in agreements" with Iran.

In their outreach to Tehran, the Europeans have focused less on human rights issues, reasoning that the situation would start to improve once the nuclear deal started paying dividends, and thus increasing Rouhani's political standing. But the agreement's long-term prospects are in doubt now that the United States has left it. Europe still has leverage, though, and it should use it to compel better behavior from the Islamic Republic.

The United States, though, has been particularly weak in actual support for free expression and democracy. The CPJ suggests that the United States help Iranians to obtain access to software and online circumvention tools, while also better informing businesses about how they can legally service the Iranian people.

Although we're living in a new world in which the tools of communication and the means to suppress it are evolving, we can still support freedom from afar the way we always have: by helping people express their demands and criticize their leaders.

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Trump supporters speak



LEONARD PITTS

We're going to try something different today. Rather than pontificate yet again upon the motives of Donald Trump's supporters, I'll let a few of them explain themselves in their own words.

Here, then, is "Robert" with a comparative analysis of the 44th and 45th presidents:

"President Trump has accomplished more positive things for this nation in less than two years than the last three have accomplished in twenty plus years. After the past eight years of a Muslim Marxist in the White House this nation could not survive another

demwit in the White House. ... Could you please list one thing the demwit party has done for the black people in America other than hand out government freebies for their continued votes?"

And here's "Gary's" take on demographic change: "(America) has a constitution which guarantees equal rights for all and yet people like you hunger for change that puts people like me in the back of the bus. You seem eager to know what it would be like to be in the driver's seat. You need look no further than Zimbabwe and South Africa. When people like you started driving the bus, the wheels came off. That's what terrifies people like me."

This column is presented as a service for those progressive readers who are struggling with something I said in a previous column. Namely, that I see no point in trying to reason with

Trump voters. I first wrote that over a month ago, and I am still hearing how "disappointed" they are at my refusal to reach out. So I thought it might be valuable to hear from the people I've failed to reach out to.

I'm sure some of you think those emails were cherry-picked to highlight the intolerance of Trump voters. They weren't. They are, in fact, a representative sampling from a single day in May, culled by my assistant, Judi.

It's still an article of faith for many that the Trump phenomenon was born out of fiscal insecurity, the primal scream of working people left behind by a warring economy. But I don't think I've ever seen an email from a Trump supporter who explained himself in terms of the factory or the coal mine shutting down.

I have, however, heard from hundreds like "Matthew," who

worries about "immigrants" and "Gerald," who thinks people of color have an "alliance" against him. Such people validate the verdict of a growing body of scholarship that says, in the words of a new study by University of Kansas professors David N. Smith and Eric Hanley, "The decisive reason that white, male, older and less educated voters were disproportionately pro-Trump is that they shared his prejudices and wanted domineering, aggressive leaders."

Look, I get it. That's a hard pill for those progressives who have kin or friends among Trump supporters. We love whom we love, even when they — or we — are small, unkind or disappointing. That's what family is about. We love whom we love, and let no one make you feel compelled to apologize for that.

But at the same time, let us be

clear-eyed and tough-minded in assessing what's happened to our country — and why. How else can we salvage it from the likes of "A Trumper" who says Trump was needed to "get things back in order" after the "terrible job" done by President Obama?

He wrote: "We're sick of paying welfare to so many of your brothers who don't know what work and integrity mean. I hope you keep writing these articles and reminding my White Christian brothers that we did the right thing and we need to re elect Trump."

I have two words for those progressives who think it's possible to "reason" with that: You first.

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Ethics and economics

In its reflection on the world economic system published May 17 (“Oeconomicae et pecuniariae quaestiones”), the Vatican seeks to promote dialogue about the moral questions related to globalization, particularly the role of new and complex financial structures that have left so many excluded and still poor.

It is therefore unfortunate that the Tribune editorial “Pope Francis’ mistrust of free markets: A Chicago retort” criticizing this document failed to engage its areas of concern: the human costs of inequality and the moral questions raised by increasing dominance of the financial sector over the world economy. Instead, the editorial attempted to provide a counterpoint to Pope Francis’ call for economic justice, concluding that what is “certain is that capitalism incentivizes people to work, creates wealth and improves lives.”

Yes, and the statement welcomes the progress that has been made. But the Vatican document is posing more fundamental questions: Why does the current economic system leave so many behind? What structural reforms can mitigate the fact that the world is still divided into the haves and the have-nots — and that the difference between the two is growing at an alarming rate?

The Vatican recognizes that the Great Recession was not simply a financial crisis, but a moral one. A handful of financial institutions and traders began selling exotic securities that were largely unknown, poorly understood and enormously profitable. Greed and lack of accountability triggered a global economic collapse that devastated families in Chicago and around the globe — impacting the poorest most of all.

A more substantive response would offer a welcome opportunity to explore how we might structure our economy to protect the weak and promote the common good, or to serve a middle class ground down by wage stagnation. Instead the editorial jokes that Chicago is not Francis’ kind of town. In fact, Chicago is very close to his heart. He knows that the city includes both the streets that serve its economic centers of power — and the many that make up our richly diverse neighborhoods.

The pope’s desire to promote a moral global economy is neither radical nor new for people of faith. For as long as there have been market economies, the Catholic Church has maintained that every economic system must ensure that markets serve the common good. As the Vatican document states: “Well-being must therefore be measured by criteria far more comprehensive than the gross domestic product of a nation and must take into account instead other standards, for example safety and security, the growth of human capital, the quality of human relationships, and of work.”

The Tribune’s response to this call for renewed moral scrutiny is that “the nature of capitalism ... makes it imperfect: Opportunity doesn’t guarantee success. Competition creates winners and losers.” The Vatican calls us to move beyond the stale ideological rhetoric of “winners” and “losers,” a blithe, if not callous term for those whose very lives are threatened by an economy of exclusion.

Market mechanisms have lifted many out of poverty. They have also left millions behind as a result of unrestrained greed, excessive materialism and massive inequality. The Tribune editorial has nothing to say about that. The Catholic Church does. It is unwavering in its conviction that we must make sure our markets build an economy for all and do not accelerate injustice and grave inequity. In this time of globalization and dominant and often unaccountable financial institutions, we need to bring together technical knowledge and human wisdom. In Catholic thought, moral principles must guide the market. Protecting human life and dignity comes before the unlimited pursuit of profit. This is a vital and timely message for a divided world — and Chicago.

— Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, *archbishop, Chicago*

America’s ‘losers’

Of all the demographic groups that voted for Trump, some were obvious and many were surprising, but the ones that baffle me are the veterans. During Trump’s campaign, his ridiculing of U.S. Sen. John McCain as a loser for being captured and tortured should have been enough to raise the wrath of veterans across the country. After several deferrals, the “fittest president ever” managed to



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get exempted from military service with bone spurs. His election made it OK for some heartless, snarky individuals among his administration and supporters to unapologetically call this war hero “Songbird” McCain with no actual evidence that he collaborated with the enemy, and to dismiss his congressional positions as insignificant since he is “dying anyway.”

I do not agree with many of McCain’s political views, but this abominable treatment by the Trump administration is disgraceful. Why aren’t all veterans, if not all Americans, crying out in protest?

Just before my 19th birthday, I was drafted into the Army. After my training was complete, I was deployed to Vietnam, where I served my tour of duty. I survived, was not captured, and returned home in one piece. Does that make me a winner or a hero? Of course not! It makes me lucky.

On Memorial Day, I honor all of my brothers-and sisters-in-arms who did not come home, or were captured and eventually released, or returned with their bodies and/or minds in tatters. America will long remember these “losers,” while this man who has evidently never sacrificed anything for his country (along with his self-appointed “winners” in the White House) will, in a very short while, be just a shameful footnote in our history.

— Larry Barber, *Darien*

Force of habit

As I gazed out the window on a recent afternoon, I watched a young man who was on his bicycle salute the flag on display across the street. It brought tears to my eyes, as it was just the natural thing for him to do. Perhaps he is a veteran or maybe home on leave. Whatever his status might be, God bless him and all of the military. We thank them for all their sacrifices on behalf of our country and us. On this Memorial Day, we honor all of the loved ones who have departed. They are in our hearts forever.

— Marlene Jeziorski, *Oak Lawn*

A legacy of service

As a Cicero kid in the 1930s, I was a member of Boy Scout Troop 206. We were sponsored by a neighborhood church and used vintage equipment fashioned during World War I. We got along well and loved to compete.

We were a humble group, led during the Great Depression by three older assistant scoutmasters, whom we truly worshipped. When the decade of the ‘40s began, so did a critical time for America.

Leader Bill, a true boating fan, joined the U.S. Navy in the summer of 1941. Sadly, he was on the battleship USS Arizona, which was sunk during the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Leader Ted became a tail gunner on a Flying Fortress bomber. Based in Italy, he survived 50 combat missions over Nazi-occupied Europe.

Leader Clayton became a paratrooper in the 101st Airborne Division. He was mortally wounded during the crucial fight for Bastogne and the Battle

of the Bulge in 1944.

Eventually, most of us younger troopers in 206 had our numbers called during the Korean War in the ‘50s. Several of my Scouting buddies never returned home.

I remember all of these guys with true affection — especially on Memorial Day.

Service to country was the legacy of Troop 206, as it was for countless American organizations — then as well as now. We must never ever forget what they stood for.

— Ed Koska, *Glen Ellyn*

The least of our worries

Let’s stop worrying about the Russians meddling in our upcoming elections. Of course they tried to meddle in 2016. And looking back, it’s pretty clear that their overall goal was to sow in the American people a deep mistrust of their government.

Since Donald Trump has become president, he has spent most of his time publicly attacking our government, including the intelligence community, the military, the judiciary, the EPA, public education, past administrations and many in his own Cabinet and White House staff. Why on earth would the Russians feel the need to continue their efforts to meddle, when our own president is doing their work for them?

With friends like Trump, who needs the Russians?

— John McAuley, *Glenview*

Fighting the system

Gerrymandering in Illinois needs to stop. Our state is corrupt, unproductive and broke, and the only way we can initiate change is by voting people like Michael Madigan and John Cullerton out of office. But how are we supposed to vote against them if they are drawing district lines in their favor? We, citizens of Illinois, are being disenfranchised, and we can’t do anything about it. Because of gerrymandering, our vote doesn’t matter; election results have already been predetermined.

Gerrymandering is an issue that affects both parties and one that has wide citizen disapproval. A fair map initiative should easily pass through Illinois’ General Assembly and be placed on the general election ballot as a referendum. However, because of Illinois’ despotic leaders in Springfield, that is not the case.

No one is surprised anymore when nothing in Springfield is accomplished, and no one is surprised when an amendment to end gerrymandering does not pass both houses in order to get on the ballot.

In competitive districts, we need to elect candidates who promise to end gerrymandering in our state. We need to make gerrymandering the forefront issue in elections. This will not neglect other issues. On the contrary, it will allow elections to be competitive, keeping legislators accountable, forcing them to be productive, transparent, and solve the problems we are facing. We need to do more.

— Andrea Cordova, *Mundelein*

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Let’s not forget how wrong our crime data are

BY CATHY O’NEIL

Legalizing marijuana makes sense for a lot of reasons, but there’s one valuable thing we’ll lose when police stop arresting people for smoking pot: a sense of just how misleading our crime data are.

Data on arrests and reported crime play a big role in public policy and law enforcement. Politicians employ them to gauge their success in making neighborhoods and the entire country safe. Police departments use them to determine where to deploy more officers to look for more crime. They are fed into recidivism-risk algorithms, which help judges and parole boards make decisions on sentencing and release.

This is troubling, because such data can be a terrible proxy for actual crime. Consider arrests: Only two-thirds of murders result in arrests, which means that the homicide data are missing at least a third of actual incidents. And murders are unusual in that we typically have the body, so we know a crime actually occurred. That’s not the case with assaults, rapes, thefts or illegal gun possession. There’s no reason to think that the majority of these crimes lead

to arrests, or that all arrests are related to actual crimes.

Reports aren’t much better. People decide whether to report in a cultural context. For example, they’re more likely to do so if they trust the police, and the level of trust can vary sharply over time. A year after Donald Trump was elected president, the number of reported rapes among the Latino population of Houston declined by 40 percent, a strong indication that people became afraid to report the crimes. Police often don’t take rape victims’ reports seriously, a problem that is probably even worse for male victims.

So how can we get a better understanding of the underlying rate of crime? Surveys typically don’t help: People who get away with committing serious offenses aren’t likely to admit it, even if they’re guaranteed anonymity. The one notable exception is marijuana use, which — though still illegal in most places — is mild and socially acceptable enough that people are willing to tell the truth. Hence, if we compare the reported rate of marijuana use to the arrest data, we can gain some insight into how useful the latter really are.

The picture isn’t pretty. The latest government surveys, for example, suggest that black and white Americans use marijuana at about the same rate. Yet blacks get arrested about four times more often than whites — and 15 times more often in Manhattan, according to a recent New York Times analysis. This means that all the policies, policing strategies and algorithms that use the arrest data will unfairly target blacks for closer monitoring and harsher sentencing, perpetuating the ills they are supposed to address.

Given the ample evidence of extreme bias in marijuana arrests, there’s no reason to think that the situation is any better in other areas of crime. Indeed, from a statistical standpoint, we should assume there is a bias in all categories. We just can’t know how extreme it is, because we’re missing data, and we don’t know how much data we’re missing.

Worse, when marijuana is legalized, we’ll lose our only indicator of how off-base the available data really are. Overall, decriminalization is probably a good idea, considering how much devastation the policing has caused in black and brown

communities. But it will eliminate our most reliable barometer of police racial bias. When the arrests stop, we’ll stop seeing the disparity, but that doesn’t mean bias in other police practices will suddenly end.

What to do? It won’t be easy, but there are some ways we can work toward improving crime data in the longer term. If police strive to increase public trust and improve follow through, people will be more likely to report crimes, making the data more reliable. This would also require more consistent policing across different neighborhoods, which, for example, means treating black youths the same way one treats middle-aged white women. The Center for Policing Equity, for example, is helping police departments identify and challenge their own biased practices.

In the meantime, it’s crucial to recognize how bad our crime data are, lest we perpetuate the biases they reflect.

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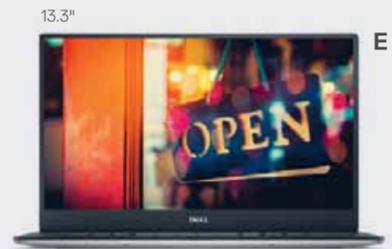
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Your Monday guide to managing money, work and the business of life



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Jill on Money

Advice for new grads from business leaders

In the decade since the financial crisis and recession, college graduates often have faced a grim reality: They had unlucky timing. With few exceptions, they encountered a tough job market, sometimes with a pile of debt owed for a diploma that was supposed to help them make the transition to adulthood easier.

The good news is that over the past few years, the labor market has vastly improved and 2018 graduates should be able to parlay those degrees into decent (or good enough) first jobs. That means I can provide graduation advice that is a little less utilitarian (“take the imperfect job”) to the more hopeful.

To do so, I turned to some of my most trusted sources. They come from varied backgrounds; some started with a big leg up in life, while others started with nothing. To ensure that I got the real deal, I promised not to reveal their names, just their industries.

A financial services executive: Whenever I am asked to provide advice to young workers, I think of tennis great Billie Jean King’s comment, “Champions adjust.” Graduate, you have a long career ahead of you, and as much as you want to micromanage each turn, I promise that there are going to be strange twists and unlucky breaks. Your job is not to predict them, but to adjust to what comes your way.

That brings me to another quote, from Louis Pasteur: “Chance favors only the prepared mind.” Your ability to navigate the above-mentioned twists and turns will be greatly enhanced with ample preparation.

Finally, for those who are working in large organizations, aim to stand out and fit in. Be known as someone who over-delivers, but also be willing to help your colleagues, join internal networking groups and be part of the culture.

A former Wall Streeter turned entrepreneur: As you head into new careers, environments and adventures, think about what you can control vs. what you can’t. For those things you can control, nail them! Three things you can always control are: 1. your attitude — bring the sunshine and positive energy to your team every day; 2. your curiosity — be a sponge and learn everything you can, and ask questions; 3. your eagerness to help — roll up your sleeves and offer to help your colleagues with anything. These are great ways to differentiate yourself and encourage people to invest in you.

A Fortune 100 company executive: I know new graduates want to advance early in their careers, but start by chasing skills, not levels; it will serve you better in the long run. As you develop those skills, remember that it’s a long way up and a short way down. How you treat people from day one of your career matters because as your career progresses, your colleagues will remember.

Figure out a few ways that you will maintain an external perspective. There is so much information out there, you need to find a few credible sources to educate you on your industry and help you do your job and perform at high levels.

Finally, individual contributors must be leaders too. Coming out of college, you are unlikely to have people reporting to you, but that doesn’t mean you can’t lead. Leadership is about behavior, not structure.

To finish this advice column, my dear friend, a successful media executive, provided this gem: “I live my life everyday with the intention to be of service and to be of support to others. I don’t always succeed, but the more generous of heart I am, the more I seem to reap.”

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The importance of core values

5 ways to make sure employees take company culture seriously

BY ROBERT GLAZER | Inc.

When new employees start at Acceleration Partners, I introduce them to our company culture by walking them through our vivid vision, core values and the AP Way. Recently, one new employee told me afterward, “At my last company, our core values were all over the walls, but no one ever talked about them in my two years there.”

That’s something I’ve heard many times before, but I think companies ignore the importance of core values at their peril.

Admittedly, I haven’t always believed in core values myself. I used to think they were just the wall art companies put up for people walking through their offices.

I didn’t see many companies taking them seriously or putting them into practice, which is where the rubber meets the road.

Today I think that more and more people are talking about company values — and for good reason. Core values are the DNA of your company’s culture, and they’re there whether you put them on the wall or not.

Every company has a culture, either by default or by design. When companies don’t pay attention or guide the culture, the wrong values can become ingrained. Employees can learn by observation that there is a culture of secrecy, of placing blame or of cutting corners.

To take control and shape the behavior of your employees, you need to set core values deliberately, take them seriously and operationalize them. Having them without acting on them can actually be worse than not having them at all; that communicates inauthenticity.

Here are five steps to take to ensure your business has core values that are real and will stick:

1. Choose values that make your business stand apart.

Words like “integrity” and “transparency” really are not core values, they are the basic “table stakes” of any workplace or employee. Core values should be at the heart of what makes it special to work at your company specifically. Some examples include “act like an owner,” “raise your bar” and “attitude of gratitude.”

2. Keep the list short.

It’s important to get to the core of what you value succinctly. Employees should be able to remember company values without a piece of paper. Two years ago, we reluctantly narrowed the list at our company down to from six values to these three, and it was one of our best decisions:

- Own it. We step up to the opportunities in front of us, bet on our own abilities and rise to the occasion.
- Embrace relationships. Relationships advance our personal and professional lives, contributing greatly to our successes.
- Excel and improve. We believe that excellence and continuous improvement are inextricably intertwined.

Shortening our list has made a huge difference, particularly in judging performance and guiding decision making. Rather than wonder how to handle someone who does well in four out of six of our values, we now know we need three out of three every time.

3. Communicate and support the values you set.

It’s not enough to have core values — you have to live them. Company leaders need to talk about core values a lot, tell core value stories, and use values in the language of the day-to-day business. Call out people for both living by them and breaking them.

At our company, we do regular core value shout-outs. We also have prestigious company awards that are based on core values and voted on by peers. Our employees get that our values drive behavior.

4. Encourage collective enforcement.

Values are far more effective than rules at eliciting desired outcomes. It’s virtually impossible to cover all possible situations with rules or monitor minute-by-minute adherence.

In contrast, values can cover an endless variety of situations. Most importantly, enforcement comes from all employees, who should be encouraged to openly question decisions or actions that are incongruous with the values. This is what translates values from words on paper into lived company culture.

5. Hire, promote and fire based on values.

Keeping someone whose views and actions clash with the culture sends a very bad message to the rest of the company. Even if the employee is a top performer, the best companies cut the cord when they realize there is a culture or values mismatch.

To avoid getting to this point, be sure to include behavior-based core value questions in the interview process, and use them in performance reviews and promotion decisions. This follow-through shows everyone that the company is consistent in supporting values at every level.

Following these steps will help your company establish and propagate core values that are more than an office space punchline. The values you choose, in turn, will provide the groundwork for a strong company culture far into the future.

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Money moves the markets

Interest rates are rising. The price of Brent crude oil edged over \$80 a barrel for the first time in four years. The Russell 2000 broad stock market index managed to hit an all-time high last week. The U.S. dollar is strong. And commodity prices are generally higher, reflecting both demand and inflation fears.

Can stocks, energy, commodities and the dollar all manage to remain strong at the same time, while the 10-year Treasury note (on which mortgage rates are based) moves over 3.11 percent?

Obviously they can, and they are, for the moment. As long as the economy remains strong, unemployment remains low, corporate earnings continue to grow and trade remains vibrant, all those markets can celebrate together.

Sure, there's a lot for the economy — and the markets — to worry about. Let's take them in order.

Rising rates. There's often a tradeoff as interest rates rise. Investors start to wonder whether it's worth taking the risk of loss in the stock market when they can get a 3 percent yield on their money in Treasuries. And as rates edge higher, they will surely impact the stock market. But as long as short-term rates remain lower than long-term rates (the "yield curve"), investors and businesses can plan and invest. Only when the Fed is trying hard to curtail inflation by pushing short-term rates above long-term rates (an "inverted yield curve") does the stock market really get concerned.

Higher energy prices. For sure, consumers will see higher gasoline prices this summer, as they do every summer. And transportation costs will increase for goods trucked across America. But a lot of the recent rise in prices has been triggered by concerns over the Middle East. We're in a far different situation than in previous oil crises. Now the United States is energy independent — and fully capable of drilling enough oil to supply our needs. Yes, global prices would rise on shortages caused by disruptions related to Iran but not enough to materially impact our economy.

Trade wars. It's hard to calculate what's going on in international trade, from our dealings with China to renegotiating NAFTA. The stock market is jumpy because there's no official source of news, just seemingly off-the-cuff comments from the participants involved. Business needs a steady source of parts and raw materials. Not everything can be "made in America." And trying to create that scenario would surely raise prices for everything.

Inflation. Rising prices are the hallmark of inflation. Inflation is defined as loss of purchasing power of the currency. Inflation doesn't seem to be impacting the desire to own dollars these days, likely because the yields on dollar investment are higher by far than in other currencies, such as the Euro. And inflation isn't as bad as generally perceived for the stock market. Just remember, the stock market (a broad cross section of large American companies, with dividends reinvested) has outperformed inflation in every 20-year period going back to 1926.

So far, the stock market has shrugged off most of these worries. It isn't advancing at the pace of last year, but it certainly hasn't collapsed. In fact, the market itself is likely its own greatest worry. We are now in the second-longest bull market in history (the longest being the one that started in the 1990s, which culminated in the tech bubble), according to market historian Jim Stack (www.investech.com). This bull market is twice as long as the average bull, going back to 1932. He points out that if the bull market manages to hit a new high in the fourth quarter this year, it will become the longest bull market in history.

Even more impressive according to Stack, about half of the bull markets in history have caused the major indexes to double in size. But the current bull market has more than tripled. It's been an impressive run.

Bull markets don't die of old age alone. Some sort of excess will eventually be the trigger for the end. Just remember the bigger they come, the harder they fall. And that's The Savage Truth.

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THE SAVINGS GAME

One way to limit death's financial cost



ELLIOT RAPHAELSON

An article appeared recently on the editorial page of The Wall Street Journal written by Warren Kozak, whose wife died earlier this year. Mr. Kozak indicated that his bankers had never recommended to him and his wife that they should name beneficiaries on their savings accounts.

Mr. Kozak was under the false impression that the savings account in his wife's name would automatically transfer to him.

He had to hire an attorney, at the cost of \$465 per hour, to name him as the executor of the estate in order to give him the power to transfer the accounts. The filing costs in New York City were \$1,286, and the running attorney bill now stands at more than \$7,400, and is

expected to increase.

Mr. Kozak also indicated that his wife had never named a beneficiary for the retirement account held at her bank. As I have pointed out many times, in order to make sure that your IRAs and other retirement accounts are inherited by the individual(s) you select, ensure that you specify a named beneficiary for your retirement accounts, retained by the financial institution that maintains your account.

You need to name beneficiaries properly for all of your financial assets. As Mr. Kozak found out, it is very expensive and time-consuming if you fail to ensure that you name a beneficiary properly for each financial asset you own.

For example, several years ago, I was named as the executor of my aunt's estate. All of her assets were in the form of certificates of deposit held at various financial institutions. For most of her accounts, she had named beneficiaries for the CDs she owned.

Unfortunately, unknown to me, she neglected to name specific beneficiaries for some of her CD accounts. She had a

valid will in which she did name specific individuals who would inherit any assets in which there was no named beneficiary. The CDs she owned, in which she had not named a beneficiary, would be inherited by these individuals.

However, in order for this to happen, I was forced to hire an attorney to file for probate. Accordingly, the estate had to pay several thousand dollars in attorney fees to file for probate. The probate process took several months before the assets associated with the CDs that did not have a named beneficiary could be transferred to the individuals named as beneficiaries in the will.

Naturally, you would like your assets to be inherited by the individuals you select, and you want these assets to be transferred in a timely manner without expensive attorney costs and filing costs. I suggest you make a list of all your assets, specify who you want to inherit each asset, and indicate what actions you have taken to ensure that these individuals will inherit that asset. Review this information with your attorney and/or financial planner.

If you have postponed preparing or updating a will to reflect significant changes in your life, don't procrastinate. Set up an appointment with your attorney to make sure your will is up-to-date regarding your wishes.

If you want to educate yourself regarding ways to avoid probate, I recommend "8 Ways to Avoid Probate" (www.nolo.com) by Mary Randolph. The author discusses the ways you can name beneficiaries for different asset classes, such as stocks, bonds, retirement accounts and savings accounts, so that you can avoid probate and its associated costs and delays.

Elliot Raphaelson welcomes questions and comments at elliotrath@gmail.com.

How to pay for graduate school

BY THOMAS H. BLANTON
Kiplinger

Certain professions, such as medicine and law, require advanced training. Many others don't. And if you're considering a graduate degree in the second category, weigh whether it's worth the cost, especially if you have to put your career on hold while you're in school.

The average annual tuition for a graduate degree at a public college or university is \$30,000; for a private school, it's \$40,000, according to Peterson's, a college information company. (If you get a doctorate, it will take several years, and you'll spend much more.)

Many universities offer grants, scholarships and assistantships, including teaching assistant and graduate assistant positions, to help students pursuing advanced degrees offset the cost of tuition. The average T.A. made \$26,260 last year, while the average G.A. made \$37,720, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Doctoral candidates are typically more likely than master's candidates to receive departmental assistantships.

If you're employed, see whether your company sponsors a tuition assistance program. The IRS allows employers to provide up to \$5,250 in tax-free educa-



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tion benefits a year; any benefit above that is considered taxable income. Some employers will cover the entire cost if you agree to work at the business for a set period after graduation.

If you're willing to join the military, you may be able to get a full ride for a degree in dentistry, medicine, nursing, optometry or veterinary care. Those admitted to the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program receive funding for tuition, books and fees, along with a \$2,200 monthly stipend and a \$20,000 sign-on bonus. After graduating, you'll owe one year of military service for each year you received support, with a minimum of

three years.

Or you can borrow. Direct unsubsidized loans for graduate students carry a 6 percent fixed interest rate for the 2017-18 academic year, and you can borrow up to \$20,500 a year. If that doesn't cover your costs, Grad Plus loans allow you to borrow up to the full cost of graduate school, including living expenses. The interest rate for Grad Plus loans taken out before July 1 (when rates will be adjusted) is 7 percent. You likely won't qualify if you've had a bankruptcy, foreclosure or similar black mark on your credit record within the past five years.

Unless you have excellent credit and are certain you'll have no trouble making payments, consider private loans as a last resort. Unlike federal loans, they typically don't come with repayment options, such as deferment or forbearance. Rates, which can be fixed or variable, are based on your credit record and whether you have a co-signer. Co-signers are on the hook for repaying the debt if you default.

Thomas H. Blanton is a reporter for Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine. Send your questions and comments to moneypower@kiplinger.com. And for more on this and similar money topics, visit Kiplinger.com.

Cold calling techniques that really work

Have you ever cold-called? Do you now? Cold-calling can be exhausting and frustrating. Use these tips to help your sales outreach.



2. Practice before picking up the phone. Find a buddy to hold you accountable.



4. Listen. The best salespeople are good active listeners.



5. Between calls, send emails. Your emails should offer relevant, personalized information.

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Think outside the plan

Flight emergency teaches the most important lesson about success

By LARRY ROBERTSON
Inc.

On April 15, Southwest Flight 1380 had a plan. The majority of those involved in it would have described it like this: fly from Dallas to New York. But for those in charge, there were two other plans that day, one purposeful and one tactical. The pilots' ability to distinguish between the two and to know when to prioritize one over the other was the difference between a disastrous outcome and what became a heroic lesson in how to succeed in an unpredictable world. The lesson is this: What makes a plan work is the ability to think outside the plan.

The argument for a plan

Any good leader has a plan. You might think that last statement unnecessary, but you'd be wrong. Too many people too often allow other things to substitute for having a plan, the primary culprits being a good idea and a pressing problem. Chances are you can recall a time when someone thought their idea was so brilliant, so self-evident, that they took it as a free pass to be a little bit light on the details of how they planned to bring the idea to life. Just as familiar is the panicked battle cry "We must solve this problem!" that never seems to allow room to break the problem down and articulate a clear path toward resolution. In short, the absence of a plan is not an option for any leader who wants to realize success and not just dream about it.

But wait, there's more

The task, however, does not begin or

end with having a plan. But we're ahead of ourselves. What exactly is a plan? Fly from Love Field to La Guardia isn't a plan. It's really more of a directive. It means little if it doesn't fit into a greater purpose and isn't coupled with good detail about how to accomplish it.

When most of us think of a plan, we think the details part. In the airline business, they call those tactics the flight plan. But there's a reality we know yet often overlook. Even if you have an immediate goal (fly to New York) and a detailed set of instructions for achieving it (the flight plan), there's still something far more important you must both have and be conscious of: purpose. Thankfully, Southwest pilot Tammie Jo Shults and first officer Darren Ellisor not only had a keen understanding of all the components that make up a plan with a chance of actually succeeding, on April 15 they had their ultimate purpose clearly in mind: Fly the plane and its passengers safely from one destination to another, regardless of what happens that threatens your plan.

Count on the unpredictable

The flying conditions were good and a flight plan was in place when 1380 left Dallas. And then at 32,000 feet, an engine blew. The pilots describe a very large bang and a severe banking of the plane more than 40 degrees to the left, as well as tremendous vibration in the remaining engine. It's a frightening and uncommon scenario, but theoretically manageable; unless, say for example, there's a big hole in the side of the plane causing the cabin to decompress and creating a vacuum threatening to pull out passengers. That's

exactly what happened next. The combined events created the added chaos of noise so loud that the pilots had to communicate by hand signals — while righting and flying the plane.

At that point, a flight plan is pretty much worthless. So what do you do? For the 149 people on board, it's a good thing that wasn't the extent of Shults' and Ellisor's plan.

Some weeks after the incident, long after Shults and Ellisor had safely landed the plane in Philadelphia with a sad yet stunning single death (caused by the window being blown out) and only seven injured, they were asked this question: "Was there ever a moment when you feared you weren't going to make it?" Without hesitation, Shults said no. "As long as you have enough altitude and ideas your OK," she explained.

More than a measure of height, altitude is a metaphor for perspective. The more altitude you can give yourself when things don't go according to plan, the more likely you are to see a way forward. And the clearer you are about what you're really after, the greater your chances of finding new ways to get there. Shults and Ellisor didn't reach New York, this time anyway. But they were successful. And they imparted a valuable lesson that as important as a plan is, it's the ability to think outside it that inevitably defines its success.

As founder of Lighthouse Consulting, Larry Robertson has spent more than 25 years guiding entrepreneurial ventures and their leaders through growth to lasting success.

A simple strategy to spend safely in retirement

By ELEANOR LAISE
Kiplinger

Retirement-income strategies are big business. Financial advisers, online advice services, some mutual funds and annuities all offer to turn your savings into a steady retirement paycheck — for a fee.

But what if the best retirement-income strategy didn't require you to pay anyone for advice or fancy financial products, and you could implement it yourself?

New research concludes it can be that simple. The Stanford Center on Longevity, in collaboration with the Society of Actuaries, conducted a study comparing hundreds of retirement-income strategies, including various combinations of variable and fixed annuities, systematic portfolio withdrawals, reverse mortgages and delayed Social Security benefits.

One approach, which the researchers dubbed the "Spend Safely in Retirement Strategy," works well for a broad swath of middle-income retirees, the study found. It involves delaying Social Security and using the IRS required minimum distribution tables to draw down your nest egg.

All retirement-income strategies involve trade-offs. To help retirees make smarter trade-offs, the Stanford study looked at hypothetical retirees with varying amounts of savings and compared

retirement-income strategies based on eight different measures, such as liquidity and inflation-adjusted income.

For middle-income retirees — those with \$100,000 to \$1 million in savings — the Spend Safely strategy stands out, the study found. The combination of delaying Social Security and using the RMD rules to draw down the nest egg ties together two highly efficient retirement-income strategies, says Jamie Hopkins of the American College.

Social Security offers some protection against major retirement risks — such as inflation and outliving your savings — and part or all of it is excluded from taxation. The RMD strategy automatically adjusts your portfolio withdrawals to reflect your remaining life expectancy and investment gains and losses.

Although the Spend Safely strategy does not produce the highest level of initial retirement income, it generates inflation-adjusted income that grows moderately during retirement. Many other strategies that were studied didn't keep up with inflation.

The best way to implement the strategy, researchers say, is to work enough to cover your living expenses until age 70. At age 70, claim Social Security and start drawing down your portfolio using the RMD tables in IRS Publication 590-B. (Divide your total investment portfolio



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balance by the factor listed for your age in the IRS table to get your annual withdrawal amount.)

For married couples, the Social Security claiming decision is more complex. Couples should consider using software to find the optimal claiming strategy for them, says Steve Vernon of the Stanford Center on Longevity. Tools that can help are available at financialengines.com and socialsecuritysolutions.com.

For people who can't — or don't want to — work until age 70, the next-best solution is to draw enough from your savings to enable you to delay Social Security as long as possible.

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STEVE ROSEN
Kids & Money

Fewer parents raiding retirement funds for college

It's one of the cardinal rules of savings for parents, yet many pay it little heed: Don't raid your retirement accounts to cover your child's college tab.

With college costs skyrocketing, it is understandable that many parents would pull money from their 401(k) and other retirement plans to cover the here and now of tuition, room and board.

But no matter how tempting and well-intended, that should only be a strategy of last resort, family financial experts say. Not only are there potential minefields involving taxes and early withdrawal penalties, but your time frame for replenishing those funds may be shorter.

Why sacrifice your retirement strategy when your college student has more options for funding college and a longer time frame for repaying any loans?

More parents seem to be getting that message, according to the 2018 "How America Saves for College" survey released May 17 by Sallie Mae and the Ipsos research firm.

Of the 2,003 parents of children under the age of 18 who were surveyed in January and February, 69 percent said they will not withdraw money from retirement plans to pay for education. That's up from 60 percent from the previous survey in 2016.

Ten percent of parents said they are specifically counting on using retirement funds for college — only half as many as in 2016. Twenty-one percent said they would tap into retirement accounts as a last resort, which was the same as the last survey.

Why the change in thinking? Some perspective can be drawn from the research. For example, the survey found that the proportion of parents who expect their children to help pay for college is up — 59 percent in 2018 from 51 percent in 2016. More money from the kids means less taken out from retirement accounts, said Rick Castellano, a spokesman for Sallie Mae.

In addition, parents appear to be thinking about their own futures — as well as their children's. And as they plan for the future, saving for college and retirement are both priorities, he said.

Parents also are feeling more confident in the economy and are more optimistic about the future, said Julia Clark, a senior vice president with Ipsos.

This year's survey is the seventh since 2009 on parents' attitudes and actions toward saving for college. A separate report, due out soon, will examine student loan debt and other payment strategies.

Other key takeaways from the survey:

- Six in 10 parents are saving for college, and one-third of them said they saved more this year. The average amount parents reported to have saved is \$18,135, the highest amount since 2013.
- Ninety percent of the respondents are confident they'll meet their savings goals; most parents are about a third of the way to hitting their number.
- The average amount parents said they'd like to save by the time their child starts college is \$55,342.
- For the first time, the majority of respondents are using state-sponsored, tax-advantaged 529 plans to save for college as opposed to savings accounts and other investment accounts.

Despite the improvement, Castellano said, "savings smarter is still an area of learning for families."

- Among other savings strategies, 13 percent of the survey respondents use shopping rewards programs; 90 percent requested friends and family contribute to the college fund instead of gifts for the kids.

- Despite growing concerns over taking on too much debt, parents in this survey were confident their children will borrow a lower proportion of college costs than today's college students.

- While 59 percent said saving for college should be a "shared responsibility" between parent and child, the majority of parents surveyed have not talked to their children about that responsibility.

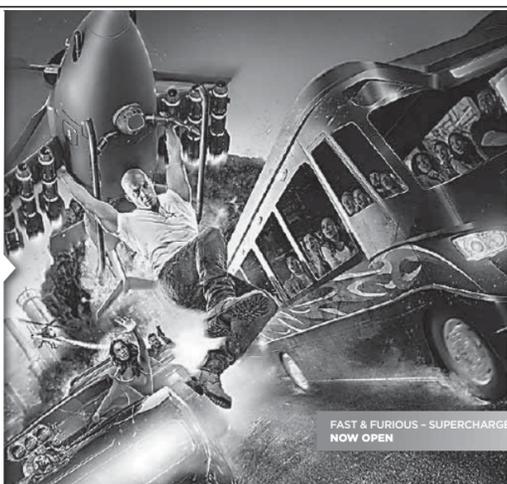
That's a disconnect. No matter how uncomfortable the conversation, the sooner you have it, the better.

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GLENN SNODDY 1922-2018

Recording engineer created fuzz pedal for guitarists

Associated Press

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — A recording engineer whose invention of a pedal that allowed guitarists to create a fuzzy, distorted sound most famously used by Keith Richards in the Rolling Stones' hit "(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction" has died.

Glenn Snoddy was 96. His daughter Dianne Mayo said Saturday that Snoddy died May 21 of congestive heart failure at his Murfreesboro home.

Snoddy was helping record country artist Marty Robbins' song "Don't Worry" in 1961 when a malfunction caused the distortion in a guitar solo.

When other musicians sought the same effect, Snoddy couldn't re-create it in the studio but invented a pedal that a guitarist could switch into the sound with a tap of the foot.

He is also survived by a son, James T. Snoddy; another daughter Glenda Keller; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON MAY 28 ...

In 1533 England's Catholic archbishop declared the marriage of King Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn valid.

In 1863 the first black regiment from the North left Boston to fight in the Civil War.

In 1892 the Sierra Club was organized in San Francisco.

In 1929 the first all-color talking picture, "On With the Show," opened in New York.

In 1934 the Dionne quintuplets — Annette, Cecile, Emilie, Marie and Yvonne — were born to Elzire Dionne at the family farm in Ontario, Canada.

In 1937 President Franklin Roosevelt pushed a button in Washington signaling that vehicular traffic could cross the just-opened Golden Gate Bridge in California. **Also in 1937** Neville Chamberlain became prime minister of Britain.

In 1940, during World War II, the Belgian army surrendered to invading German forces.

In 1944 singer Gladys Knight was born in Atlanta.

In 1977, 165 people were killed when fire raged through the Beverly Hills Supper Club in Southgate, Ky.

In 1984 President Ronald Reagan led a state funeral at Arlington National Cemetery for an unidentified American soldier killed in the Vietnam War. (However, the remains were later identified as those of Air Force 1st Lt. Michael Blassie, and were sent to St. Louis for hometown burial.)

In 1985 David Jacobsen, director of the American University Hospital in Beirut, Lebanon, was abducted by pro-Iranian kidnapers. (He was freed 17 months later.)

In 1990 Iraqi President Saddam Hussein opened a two-day Arab League summit in Baghdad with a keynote address in which he said if Israel were to deploy nuclear or chemical weapons against Arabs, Iraq would respond with "weapons of mass destruction."

In 1991 Ethiopian rebels seized control of the capital of Addis Ababa, a week after the country's longtime Marxist ruler, Mengistu Haile Mariam, resigned his post and fled.

In 1992 the House voted to lift the government's ban on using aborted fetuses for tissue transplantation research, but the tally fell short of a veto-proof major-



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In 1888 athlete Jim Thorpe was born outside Prague in what is now Oklahoma.

ity.

In 1994 Palestine Liberation Organization officials announced that Yasser Arafat had named himself interior minister of the autonomous zones as part of an interim government; 14 other prominent Palestinians, mostly Arafat allies, were appointed to other positions.

In 1995 a magnitude 7.5 earthquake devastated the Russian town of Neftegorsk, killing at least 2,000 people. **Also in 1995** Bosnia-Herzegovina's foreign minister and three colleagues were killed when rebel Serbs shot down their helicopter.

In 1996 President Bill Clinton's former business partners in the Whitewater land deal, James and Susan McDougal, and Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, were convicted of fraud.

In 1998 comic actor Phil Hartman of "Saturday Night Live" and "NewsRadio" fame was shot to death at his home in Encino, Calif., by his wife, Brynn, who then killed herself.

In 2000 Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori won a lopsided re-election victory in a runoff vote that had been boycotted by his opponent.

In 2001 President George W. Bush honored America's veterans with the Memorial Day signing of legislation to construct a World War II monument on the National Mall.

In 2002 NATO declared Russia a limited partner in the Western alliance. **Also in 2002** Mildred Wirt Benson, creator of the "Nancy Drew" children's mystery stories under the pen name Carolyn Keene, died in Toledo, Ohio; she was 96.

In 2003 President George W. Bush signed a 10-year, \$350 billion package of tax cuts, saying they already were "adding fuel to an economic recovery." **Also in 2003** Amnesty International released a report saying the U.S.-led war on terror had made the world a more dangerous and repressive place, a finding dismissed by Washington as "without merit."

In 2014 Maya Angelou, poet, actress and memoirist, known for "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," died in Winston-Salem, N.C.; she was 86.

In 2015 Dennis Hastert, the longest-serving Republican speaker in U.S. House history, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Chicago on charges he violated banking laws in a bid to pay \$3.5 million to an unnamed person to cover up "past misconduct" that turned out to be sexual molestation of student athletes while Hastert was a high school coach in Plano, Ill., decades earlier.

In 2016 officials at the Cincinnati Zoo shot and killed a 17-year-old male gorilla named Harambe after the ape picked up a 4-year-old boy who had fallen into the enclosure.

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Omega Davis
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Bernstein, Elaine 'Cookie'
Elaine F. "Cookie" Bernstein, nee Kuklansky, 103 and 11/12. Treasured wife of the late Al M., devoted mother of Harvey, Lois (Larry) Gordon, and Steven (Jeanne Cleveland). Loving grandmother of Marni Bernstein Marek, Bradley (Trudy) Gordon, Gregg (Lia) Gordon, Timon (Phil) Jandora, Claire (Jon) Lawrence, Iden (Patrick) Nowlin, and the late Elyse Bernstein Keefe. Beloved "GG" of Michael, Mason, Eleanor, Harper, Raymond, Violet, Everett, Arleigh, Gavin, and Jack. Amazingly loyal friend, die hard sports fan, loved by nieces, nephews, nurses, caregivers and so many people too numerous to mention. Funeral service Tues, May 29, 10 AM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment Waldheim. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to LUNGEVITY Foundation, www.lungevity.org. For info: 847-256-5700.

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Dudek, Blanche F.
Blanche F. Dudek, nee Dudesek, age 97 of Chicago passed away May 24, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Matthew F.; loving mother "Mom" of Ronald (Debbie), Donald (Doreen), John, James (Karen), and Joseph (Pamela); dearest grandma of Donald (Stacy), Daniel (Jennifer), Bryan (Danette), Matthew, Jason (Adrienne), Michael (Caitlin), Amanda (Thomas) and Joey; great-grandma of Isabella, Jordan, Alyssa, Madelyn, Emma, Giada, Tyler, and Lucia; Dear sister of Lillian Stawarz and the late Peter (the late Delores) Dudesek; fond sister-in-law of The late Anna (the late Zigmund) Haraburda, the late Lottie (the late Albert) Selix and the late Alice (the late Stanley) Studzinski; loving aunt and great-aunt of many nieces and nephews and dear friend of many. Visitation Tuesday, May 29, 2018 from 4-9 pm at **Matz Funeral Home**, 3440 N. Central Ave., Chicago. Funeral Wednesday 9:45 am from the funeral home to St. John Bosco Church. Mass 10:30 am. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. For info: (773) 545-5420 or www.matzfuneralhome.com
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Duffy, JoAnne
Duffy, JoAnne (nee Bowen) JoAnne passed away peacefully on May 25th after a courageous battle surrounded by her loving family. JoAnne grew up in Elmhurst, Illinois, graduated from Loyola University, and always lived in the Chicago area. JoAnne and Mark met while working in the financial industry. Later JoAnne worked for the American Medical Association before she dedicated herself to nurturing their family. She loved her family passionately. JoAnne's strength, beauty, and kindness were admired by all. JoAnne took pleasure in laughing with her friends, reading, and traveling the world. What she loved most was spending time with her family. Beloved wife of Mark F. Duffy. Loving mother of Richard Francis (Ana) Duffy, Joseph Francis Bowen (Regina) Duffy, Elizabeth Anne (fiancé Garth Rush) Duffy, and Mary Frances Duffy. Loving daughter of the late Estelle "Peachie" and Joseph Francis Bowen. Dear sister of Denise (Ralph) Ryan, William (Cheryl) Bowen, Martin Bowen, and the late John Bowen. Kind daughter in law of Kathleen and the late Richard Francis Duffy. Fond sister in law of R. Michael (Susan) Duffy, F. Joseph (Suzanne) Duffy, Mary (David) Segerson, John (Patrice) Duffy, Dolores (Gary) Wigan, David (Lexi) Duffy, Peter (Marta) Duffy, Virginia Duffy, Diane (Michael) Radel, and Daniel (Kris) Duffy. Kind aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Tuesday 3:00-8:00 p.m., **Sullivan Funeral Home**, 60 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale, Illinois. Visitation Wednesday 10:00 a.m. until time of prayers 10:30 a.m., Funeral Mass 11:15 a.m. at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs, Illinois. There will be a brief committal service at Bronswood Cemetery, 3805 Madison Street, Oak Brook, Illinois. Reception and celebration following at Edgewood Valley Country Club, 7500 Willow Springs Road, La Grange, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, donations to the following charities would be appreciated: After School Matters, 66 East Randolph, Chicago, Illinois, or Minds Matter - The Lou and Jean Malnati Brain Tumor Institute at Northwestern Medicine 675 N Saint Clair St, 21st Floor, Chicago, Illinois. www.sullivanfamilyfuneralhomes.com (630) 323-0275

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Haughey, Theresa F.
Theresa F. Haughey - (nee Igoe) beloved wife of the late James; loving mother of Kathleen (John) Ryhajlo, Mary and the late James Patrick Haughey; proud and cherished grandmother of Sean (Candy Ordaz) Haughey and Danielle Ryhajlo; great grandmother of Corey, Hope, Aiden and Raven; preceded in death by her siblings Katherine, Maggie, Mary, Annie, Johnny, Thomas, Michael, Bridget, Agnes, Attracta and Martin. Native of Attymass, Co. Mayo Ireland. Visitation Tuesday 3-9 p.m. at Cooney Funeral Home 625 Busse Hwy Park Ridge. Funeral Wednesday 10 a.m. going to St. Priscilla Church for Mass at 10:30 a.m. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info 847-685-1002 www.cooneyfuneralhome.com
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Heyman, Phyllis R. 'Phauf'
Phyllis R. "Phauf" Heyman nee Rosin, age 92 1/2 years old. Beloved wife of the late Leonard J. Heyman. Loving mother Larry (Jennifer) Heyman, Donna (Jeffrey) Greengoss and Michael (Claire) Heyman. Proud grandmother of Joshua (Susie) Neimark, David Heyman, Ross Heyman, Charlie (Annie) Greengoss, Jonas Heyman, Marissa Greengoss, Nathan Seeley and Justine Heyman. Dear great grandmother of Jack and Lucy. Cherished sister of the late Blossom (the late Martin Freedman and the late Haskell) Lowenstein. Special "Phauf" of many nieces and nephews. Service Wednesday 10AM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road) Skokie. Interment Memorial Park. Memorials to American Brain Tumor Association, 8550 W. Bryn Mawr Ave. Ste 550, Chicago, IL 60631, www.abta.org or your favorite charity would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Hildebrand, Joan M.
Hildebrand, Joan M. Age 72 Beloved daughter of the late Homer and Violet (nee Kent) Hildebrand. Cherished sister of the late Jacqueline (the late Anthony) Moroney, the late Rita (the late John) Kohles, Richard (Regina), the late Fr. Thomas, and Kent (Alexandra) Hildebrand. Loving aunt, great aunt, and great-great aunt to many. Visitation Tuesday 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, donations to Independent Cat Society, 4061 S. County Line Road, Westville, Indiana 46391, would be appreciated. www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878
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Jennings, Thomas Michael 'Tom'
Tom Jennings, age 68, Devoted son of Patti nee McMahon and the late James P. Jennings; loving brother of James R. (Holly), Jean M. Capra, Judy Jennings, Maureen (Tom) Sulhoff, John P. (Cathy) Jennings and Colleen (Nick) Stein; fond uncle of Ryan, Katie and Jay Jennings, Lauren and Anthony Capra, Jaquelyne Sulhoff and Jaclyn Sollars, Patrick, Tierney and Tara Stein. Funeral Mass and Entombment are Private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Patrick Stein c/o Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL 60025, would be appreciated. Info: **www.donnellanfuneral.com** or (847) 675-1990

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Johnson, Margaret A.
Margaret A. Johnson, 94, of Arlington Heights, died May 25, 2018 of natural causes. Born in Columbus Ohio on April 14, 1924, to the late Richard E. and Minnie Daving. Margaret was married for (41) years to the late Richard Johnson. Margaret was a dedicated first grade teacher who enjoyed many years in the Lincolnwood school system and developed lifelong relationships with many of her students. She was an original owner of Regent Parks in Arlington Heights, Illinois. She is survived by son Mark Richard, niece Dawn Richards, nephew Charles Daving, great niece and nephew Arabella and William Richards.
Thanks for the memories.
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Kahn, Louis
Louis Kahn, 73. Beloved husband of Robin, nee Sultan. Loving father of Jackie Kahn and Erica (Rob) Ronzani. Adored stepfather of Traci (Abe) Kaplan, Kelly Rome and Adam (Lisa) Rome. Proud grandfather of Dylan, Bryson, Ariel, Aidan, Reese, River and Jasper. Dear brother of the late Judith (Larry) Weiner. Cherished brother-in-law of Karen Canzoneri and Scott (Gloria) Sultan. Service Tuesday, 11 AM at Temple Jeremiah, 937 Happ Road, Northfield. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Buffalo Grove, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Kaufman-Bancroft, Carolyn
Out beautiful, loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and aunt Carolyn Kaufman-Bancroft 93 of Franklin, MA, formerly of Chicago, IL and Solvang, CA passed away peacefully in her sleep May 27, 2018 at Blair House, Milford, MA. Born in Chicago September 15, 1924 she is predeceased by her parents Miriam and Frank Seiden and her husbands Henry W. Kaufman of Chicago and Dudley Bancroft of Solvang.

Survivors include her daughter, Laura Kaufman of Chicago, her son and daughter-in-law Robert and Donna Kaufman of Franklin, MA, her grandchildren Amy Kaufman of Franklin, David Kaufman of Milford and granddaughter Emily Kaufman of Franklin as well as neices and nephews in the Chicago area.

At her request no services will be held. Donations may be made to The Cradle, Evanston, IL

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Korinek, Clare
Clare Korinek nee Reuland, 66, Retired Registrar at Loyola University in Chicago; beloved wife of John; loving mother of Christopher; dear sister of Anne (Michael Gorman) Reuland, Mark (Jackie) Reuland, Dan Reuland, Therese (George) Sterling, David (Jennifer) Reuland and the late Michael Reuland; aunt of many nieces and nephews and cousin to many. Cremation for Clare will be private. For additional information, please call **Suburban Family Funeral Home** at 708-652-1116 or visit www.Suburbanfamilyfh.com.
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McFadden, John Brian

John Brian McFadden, age 47; beloved son of Dennis and Christine, nee Viverito; loving brother of Michael (Laurie); also survived by several loving aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation Tues., May 29, 2018, 4-9 PM at **Matz Funeral Home**, 410 E. Rand Rd., Mt. Prospect. Funeral Wed. 9:45 AM to St. Joseph the Worker Church. Mass 10:30 AM. Entombment All Saints. In lieu of flowers, memorials to American Heart Association appreciated. 847/394-2336

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McManmon, Hedy A.

Hedy A. McManmon (née Sobieski), age 74, late of Orland Park. May 25, 2018. Beloved wife of Thomas F. McManmon; loving mother of Susan (Bill) Whitlock, Kerrin (Ray) Rosania, Kathleen (Tom) White and Thomas C. McManmon; loving grandmother of Meghan, Michael and Shannon Whitlock; Thomas and Mary Kate Rosania; and Jack, Anne and Brian White. Visitation Tuesday, 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. Funeral Wednesday 8:45 a.m. from **Thornridge Funeral Home** 14318 S. LaGrange Rd. (Northbound traffic: U-turn permitted at 143rdSt.), Orland Park to St. Francis of Assisi Church Mass 9:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital would be appreciated. 708-460-2300 or www.thornridgefuneralhomes.com

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Morgan, Thomas

Thomas Morgan went to be with the Lord peacefully May 26, 2018. Beloved husband of Shirley (nee Ryder). Loving father of Beth (the late Kraig) Toczylowski and the late Debbie Vaxmonsky. Fond brother of Elaine Gore and Mary Whittall. Visitation at **Cooney Funeral Home** 625 Busse Hwy. Tuesday from 4 to 7 P.M.. Funeral service Thursday 11:00 A.M. at **Cooney Funeral Home**. Interment Ridgewood Cemetery. For info 847-685-1002 or www.cooneyfuneralhome.com

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Piemonte, Carol D.

Carol D. Piemonte nee Olsen, age 67. Beloved wife of John. Dearest mother of Christopher (Shaunta), Kevin (Melissa), and Kimberly (Salvatore) Scianna. Cherished Grandmother of 14. Great-Grandmother of 1. Many other relatives and friends. Funeral service Thursday 10:00 AM at **Brust Funeral Home** 415 N Gary Ave Carol Stream, IL. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 PM. Interment Glen Oak Cemetery Hillside. 630-510-0044

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Silver, Donald Jay

Donald Jay Silver, 68. Beloved husband for 39 years of Marilyn, nee Cohen. Loving father of Jamie (Joshua) Chapman and Danielle Silver. Proud grandfather of Jack David and Jenevieve Olivia Chapman. Dear brother of Paula Silverstein and the late Rochell Looze. Service Tuesday 2:30 PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Road (One block north of Lake Cook Road) Buffalo Grove. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials in his memory may be made to the Illinois Special Olympics. Arrangements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Buffalo Grove, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Walzer, Irwin Laskin

Irwin Laskin Walzer, age 86, founder of Fire King Oil Co.; loving father of Wendy Walzer Bandklayder (Robbie Greene), Judy (Jerry) Shapiro, and the late Bennett Walzer; proud Grampa of Melissa (Brandon) Hechtman, Allison (Jesse) Gray, Scott (Alyse) Shapiro, Sari Bandklayder, Michael Bandklayder and Jami Shapiro; adored Great Grampa of six; treasured uncle and dear friend to many; "Sweetie Pie" to Barbara Meyers; former spouse and cherished friend to Barbara Pinsker; son of the late Leo and Frieda Walzer; devoted brother to the late Stuart (late Paula) Walzer and James (Maxine) Walzer. The family wishes to thank Almie Duran for her exceptional loving care. Service Tuesday, 2:00 p.m. at The Chapel, 8851 Skokie Blvd., Skokie (at Niles Center Rd.). Interment Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations to the AIDS Foundation of Chicago, www.aidschicago.org or the charity of your choice are appreciated. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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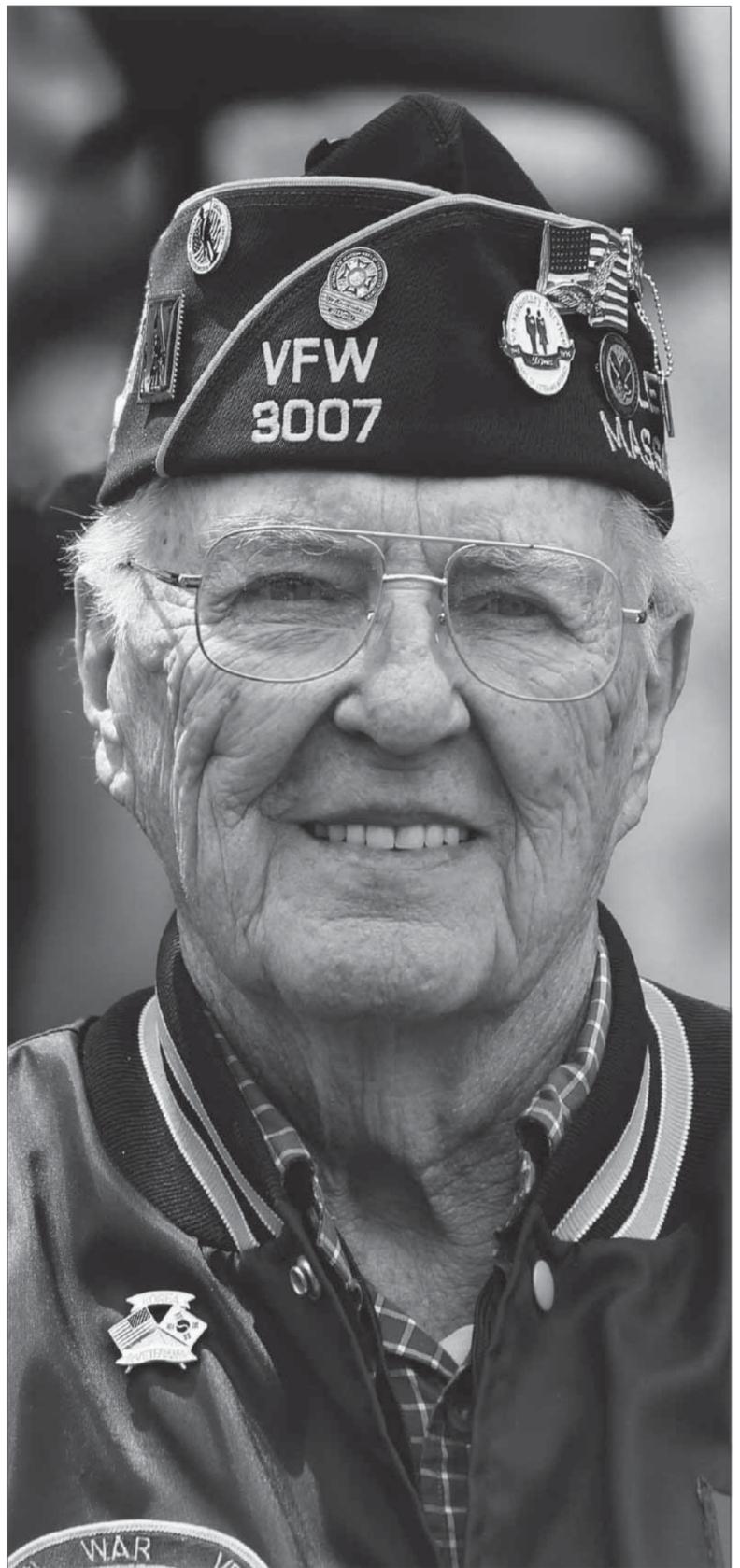
Howard Avram Wax, 53, of River Forest passed away on Saturday, May 12, 2018. He was born to the late Herbert and Harriette C. (nee Brenner) Wax on January 15, 1965 in Montclair, New Jersey and graduated from Livingston High School in 1983 after spending a year in Japan as a foreign exchange student. Howard, who spoke Japanese, attended the University of Chicago, graduating in 1987 with a degree in Far Eastern Studies. He attained a law degree in 1994 from Northwestern School of Law, and worked in both immigration and real estate law. Howard more recently provided legal services on a volunteer basis for the Pro Bono Network.

Howard was a loving husband to Robert J. Pooley, Jr. and a devoted, stay-at-home Dad to their children, Sarah and Marcus Wax; a loving and beloved brother to Rabbi Pamela (Chaim Bronstein) Wax and Sheila (Willy) Chang, and a caring brother-in-law, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend who was committed to these relationships and always went the extra mile to visit friends and family around the world. He was a good listener and avid runner, marathoner and tennis player. Howard was a former President of Congregation Or Chadash and was active in his local community, including River Forest School District and Oak Park Temple, where he sang in the choir and served on the Board and the chevra kaddisha. Service Wednesday, May 30th, 10:30 a.m. at Oak Park Temple, 1235 Harlem Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302. Interment Westlawn Cemetery in Norridge.

Howard leaves a community of extended family and friends who love and miss him dearly. Donations in Howard's memory are requested for either the Oak Park Temple Chevra Kaddisha or the Pro Bono Network, www.pro-bono-network.org. For condolence information: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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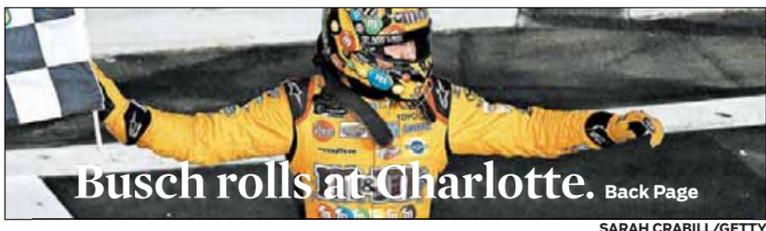
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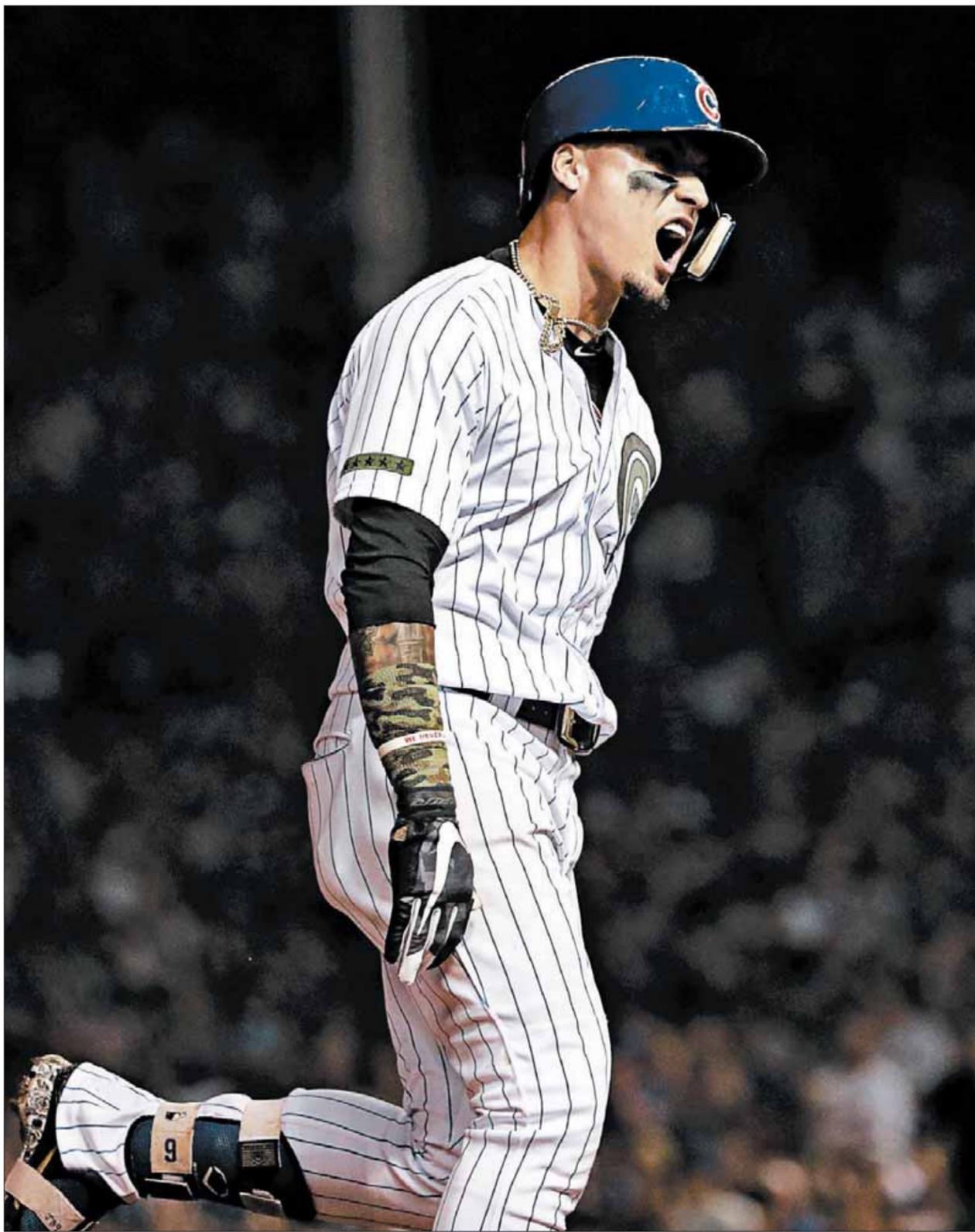
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CUBS 8, GIANTS 3

Wild turn of events



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Cubs second baseman Javier Baez rounds the bases after hitting a three-run home run against the Giants on Sunday night at Wrigley Field.

Cubs offense overcomes Chatwood's persistent control issues

BY PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

There's nothing worse for a pitcher than recurring control problems.

You didn't have to know baseball to understand this Sunday night at Wrigley Field. All it took was one glance at Tyler Chatwood as he mournfully trudged toward the Cubs dugout in the third inning, looking like he'd lost his

best friend.

He has, in a way. Chatwood has misplaced the ability to throw a baseball where he wants, and for now his control problems are costing him a great chance to establish himself with one of baseball's power teams. At least he has his teammates.

The Cubs recovered from Chatwood's troubling start to beat the Giants 8-3 before 41,587, with Javier Baez hitting a three-run

homer, Albert Almora Jr. delivering two doubles and the bullpen stringing together 6 2/3 scoreless innings.

Rookie lefty Randy Rosario was the winning pitcher in the deciding game of the Memorial Day weekend series.

Joe Maddon loved that Baez went the other way with a 1-1 cutter from reliever Pierce Johnson, driving it into the right-field seats for his 13th homer. He said

he and coaches had emphasized that Baez should do a better job using the whole field and saw Baez working on it during batting practice.

"He was working on his skills," Maddon said. "That's what he did, and it paid off."

As nice as the victory was, it won't solve the riddle of how to reboot Chatwood's onboard navigation.

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DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

Darvish finding ways to disappoint

From short outings to injury concerns, it's been all bad news

A bright, pick-me-up bouquet of flowers sat in front of Yu Darvish's locker Sunday in the Cubs clubhouse, courtesy of somebody sending well-wishes to the injured right-hander.

Suffice to say that two months into a frustrating season, Darvish still gets more wishes than he grants.

Will he ever deliver?

This was a moment made to display Darvish, in prime time during a nationally televised event against the Giants on ESPN2, on an 82-degree night ideal for sipping beer and solving baseball's problems at Clark and Addison. This was an opportunity to remove some of the lingering doubt surrounding Darvish, a chance to restore confidence in front of Cubs fans that weren't exactly chanting "Yuuuuuuu!" at his last home start.

In an 8-3 Cubs victory dominated by the offense, Darvish was most significant by his absence, forced Saturday when the Cubs scratched his scheduled start by announcing his second stint on the 10-day disabled list.

The first time the Cubs blamed the flu, reinforcing Darvish's reputation as a high-maintenance pitcher. This time, the team cited right triceps tendinitis that will require an MRI on Tuesday, raising the level of concern even higher regardless of what the Cubs say.

A head case is easier for a contender to address than an arm problem.

"Just to make sure it's nothing awful," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said of the tests.

Put another way, just to make sure it's not bad becoming

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UP NEXT

Cubs (Montgomery 0-1, 5.33) at **Pirates** (Kuhl 4-2, 4.20) 12:35 p.m. Monday, ABC-7

INSIDE: Schwarber's improved arm, footwork proving to be assets in outfield. **Page 3**

NBA PLAYOFFS CAVALIERS 87, CELTICS 79

James leads Cavaliers back to finals

LeBron scores 35, grabs 15 rebounds as Celtics fade late in Game 7

BY JIMMY GOLEN
Associated Press

BOSTON — With another Game 7 victory at stake, LeBron James would not sit out.

He would not say goodbye to Cleveland again — not yet, anyway. And he would not be denied an eighth straight trip to the NBA Finals.

The four-time league MVP scored 35 points with 15 rebounds and nine assists on Sunday night,

STANLEY CUP FINAL

A first-time winner will be crowned. Will it be the Capitals or the Golden Knights? **Back Page**

leading the Cavaliers to an 87-79 win to eliminate the Celtics from the Eastern Conference finals.

"He's had a lot of gaudy games," Cavaliers coach Tyrone Lue said. "But I just think Game 7, in Boston, all the circumstances that surround Boston, the history behind Boston to come here in a hostile environment: (it's) right there."

In the first close game of the series, the lowest-scoring and the first victory for a road team, James

played all 48 minutes, scoring 12 of his points in the fourth quarter for his sixth straight Game 7 win.

"Our goal going into the series was to make him exert as much energy as humanly possible and try to be as good as we can on everybody else," Celtics coach Brad Stevens said. "For the most part, I thought we were pretty good at that but he still scored 35. It's a joke."

For the would-be free agent, the victory postponed a decision about his future until next month.

Now, the only question is who the Cavaliers will play for a chance

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MADDIE MEYER/GETTY

LeBron James celebrates with Cavs teammate Jeff Green on Sunday. James will make his eighth straight appearance in the NBA Finals.

TOP OF THE SECOND



PAUL SULLIVAN

Little downside with Ramirez

Fifteen million dollars is a lot of money to throw away for most companies.

But the owners of the Red Sox were happy to do it, knowing it means they won't have to deal with the distraction of finding ways to keep Hanley Ramirez from getting enough plate appearances for a \$22 million vesting option that would kick in next year.

Sure, they could've just benched Ramirez. But then the agents and the players' union would start screaming to the media, and it would play out like most Red Sox dramas, from the fried-chicken-and-beer episode to the Dennis Eckersley vs. David Price saga.

So Red Sox general manager Dave Dombrowski got the go-ahead from owner John Henry to designate Ramirez for assignment. Soon he'll be released and free to sign with any team for the prorated minimum, with the Red Sox picking up the remainder of his \$15.25 million salary — assuming no one is dumb enough to trade for him.

The White Sox wouldn't be anyone's first choice to land Ramirez when he's free to sign elsewhere. A contender will likely pick him up, and at the Memorial Day mark of the season, the only teams not contenders are the Sox, Royals, Orioles, Rangers, Marlins and Reds.

Still, it wouldn't hurt the Sox to get into the mix, since Ramirez wouldn't cost them much and he would provide manager Rick Renteria with another DH option now that Matt Davidson's back is acting up.

Davidson was out of the starting lineup again Sunday after missing the last four games. He had back spasms during batting practice at Comerica Park on Saturday.

Convincing Ramirez to come to the Sox may sound like a losing proposition. Why would anyone want to join a team on its way to 100 losses?

But maybe Ramirez just wants to relax and be in a friendly clubhouse in a pressure-free atmosphere that's the polar opposite of Boston. The only expectations on the South Side in 2018 are great food and cold beer. The Sox could just let Hanley be Hanley.

Do the Sox really need Ramirez?

Well, no, not really. They can finish last without him, or perhaps fourth if the Royals continue to be a major player in the race to the bottom. If the goal is to lose as many games possible and get the top pick in the 2019 draft, it doesn't make sense to try to improve your offense.

And while the Sox ranked 26th in runs scored before Sunday's games, they have received good production from the DH spot, thanks mostly to Davidson. They began Sunday's game against the Tigers fourth in the DH slot in home runs (10) and sixth in the DH slot in RBIs (27).

But if the Sox just want to provide a little entertainment value to this lost season, and if Davidson's back issue is not a recurring theme, they can play Davidson at third and use Ramirez at DH.

Yolmer Sanchez can then become a Ben Zobrist-like super-utility player in the outfield and at second, short and third. Renteria already has said Sanchez could play some outfield, though he's yet to give him a shot.

This season already is toast, and the next big prospects in the rebuild, Eloy Jimenez and Michael Kopech, are still in the minors



JOHN SLEEZER/KANSAS CITY STAR

The Red Sox are done with Hanley Ramirez, but the White Sox could choose to take a look.

waiting for the call.

What's the worst that could happen?

Opener update: Reliever Sergio Romo started two of the Rays' three games against the Orioles over the weekend as manager Kevin Cash continues to experiment. Some have been calling the Rays' starter the "opener" since he only goes for an inning or two before the real starter comes in.

"We do that in spring training every year," Orioles manager Buck Showalter said. "Then again, we have what, 68 players in camp? It's their prerogative. I'd probably do a similar thing."

Romo was supposed to last an inning or two, but Sunday he allowed three runs in one-third of an inning before being removed. He has made four starts in nine days, the most of any "starter" since Claude Osteen of the White Sox in 1975, according to Elias Sports Bureau.

Coming attractions: Adbert Alzolay is considered the Cubs' top pitching prospect, but he has struggled in his last few outings, allowing 14 earned runs over 14 innings in his last three starts. His ERA has risen to 5.30 with a 1.57 WHIP.

Catcher Chris Gimenez worked with him at Triple-A Iowa and raved about the 23-year-old after being called up to the Cubs.

"That's a special human being right there, my goodness," Gimenez said of Alzolay. "A tremendous young man, very personable kid. He works his tail end off, no doubt about it. And we can see the arm is electric. Now it's just a little bit of a consistency thing, trying to clean up some things

mechanically. He had a couple really good starts right off the bat, and then, not as good as he'd want them to be. ... I know he's champing at the bit to come up here. ... I'd expect it to be fairly soon."

Flouting the rulebook: Zobrist's stance against MLB appears to have paid off. Zobrist went rogue two weeks ago when MLB warned him not to wear his black cleats. Now MLB appears to be ready to give all players the right to wear black shoes, and he hopes to sit down with MLB officials when the Cubs play in New York later this week. MLB and the union have discussed it and want to talk to all teams and get a consensus. If the rule is changed, Cubs analyst Jim Deshaies said it should be called the "Zobrist rule," just as the catchers' interference rule was unofficially named the "Posey rule" after Buster Posey. How about it? "Nah, I don't like rules named after me," Zobrist said with a laugh.

Last word: Cubs manager Joe Maddon on Friday when discussing Tyler Chatwood and his control issues:

"Man, when it happens, and it's going to happen, this guy is really going to take off. We've got him for three years, (and) by the end of this term, he's going to be looking really good. ... He's going to have a lot of low-hit, low-contact, ball-on-the-ground kind of games because the ball moves that much and his stuff is that good."

Chatwood walked five and lasted only 2²/₃ innings Sunday night against the Giants, throwing 88 pitches.

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AUTO RACING

Patrick's career ends with a thud



INDIANAPOLIS — Danica Patrick's star-crossed motorsports career ended with a spin, clouds of white tire smoke and contact with the Turn 2 wall at Indianapolis Motor

Speedway during Sunday's 102nd Indianapolis 500, the place and the race that launched "Danicania" 13 years ago.

Rather than come full circle at the checkered flag on the 2.5-mile oval, Patrick's race ground to a halt on Lap 67 of the scheduled 200 when the rear end of her bright green No. 13 GoDaddy Chevrolet broke loose at approximately 220 mph exiting Turn 2. The car made hard contact with the Speedway's SAFER Barrier wall on the left side pod, pancaking the front suspension and spewing debris.

Patrick's mother, Bev, placed a hand on her head in disbelief along pit road as the crash scene was replayed on the track's monitors.

Sporadic applause broke out from the grandstands as Patrick was transported to the track's infield medical center. She was uninjured, but the result was a huge letdown for Patrick, who became a crossover marketing celebrity when she started and finished fourth as a rookie in the 2005 Indy 500. Patrick also led 19 laps in that race en route to Rookie of the Year honors. Her third-place result here in 2009 remains the highest by a woman in "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing."

Patrick, 36, who started seventh and finished 30th in the 33-car field, admitted, "I'm pretty sad. Today was a tough day. ... Definitely not a great ending."

"I kind of said before I came here that if (the Indy 500 is) a complete disaster — 'complete,' like not in the ballpark at all, look silly — then people may remember that. And if I win, people will remember that. But probably anything in between might just be a little part of a big story. So I kind of feel like that's how it is, you know?"

Patrick wrapped up the NASCAR Cup Series portion of her career Feb. 18 with a 35th-place result in the season-opening Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway. She is the only woman to lead the Daytona 500 and the Indy 500.

Beyond a July commitment to become the first woman to host the ESPY Awards, Patrick's retirement plans remain open-ended.

"I'm thinking I'm going to have plenty of time to write a cookbook in Green Bay," Patrick said before the race, alluding to boyfriend Aaron Rodgers, the Packers quarterback. "I will say, though, for sure I'm very grateful for everybody and for being able to finish up like I wanted to. It still was a lot of great moments this month, a lot of great moments this year."

— John Sturbin, Newsday

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Disappointment with Darvish becoming a recurring theme

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ing worse as it pertains to Darvish's season. As Memorial Day arrives as the traditional milestone of a 162-game baseball season, no free agent has been more disappointing than Darvish, the \$126 million man who is 1-3 with a 4.95 earned-run average in eight unremarkable starts. Five times he has failed to pitch past the fifth inning.

The guy the Cubs chose over Jake Arrieta has performed like a fifth starter on the fringe of being replaced. It only exacerbates the problem when Arrieta is 4-2 with a 2.45 ERA and a 1.15 WHIP for a Phillies team with more victories than the Cubs.

"He has not been on any kind of cruise control, by any means, not gotten into any rhythm," Maddon said of Darvish. "It's like a nice sports car. When it gets going, it's really fun to watch. It's just not there on a consistent basis."

That passes as tough love from Maddon, who could make a season-ending injury sound like an extended vacation. When Maddon insisted the Cubs "aren't overly concerned," it was unconvincing. It is inconceivable that the Cubs wouldn't be worried about soreness in Darvish's pitching arm considering he missed the 2015 season because of Tommy John surgery. But give Maddon credit for admitting that he noticed something the past couple of days about Darvish that compelled the manager to initiate a conversation described as "wide open."

"He was distraught," Maddon said. "I wanted to know what he was feeling."

This is when it pays to have a hipster manager who cares about vibes and feelings and new-age stuff that probably would make Leo Durocher laugh — or growl. This is when you realize Darvish's mental state matters as much to the Cubs as his physical condition. Darvish is an

enigma wrapped in a riddle inside a mystery, so Maddon's efforts to reach him — the same method he tries with every player — can't hurt.

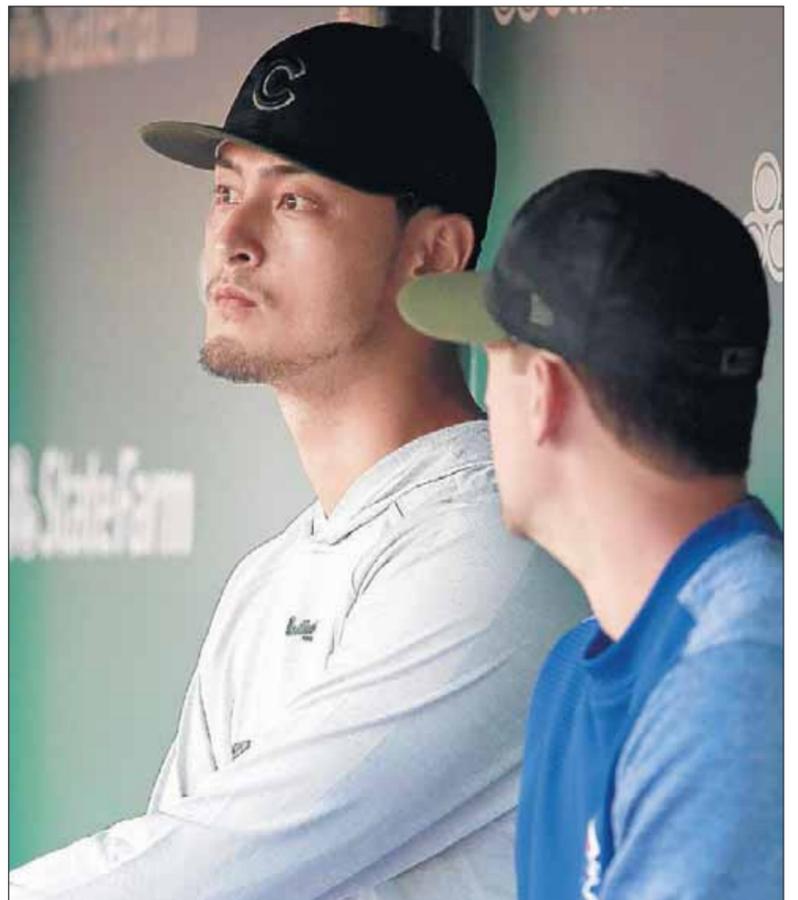
"It's incumbent upon me to really get to know and understand him and be as much help as I possibly can," Maddon said. "Being the manager, I need to find that right combination of words and actions. I really immerse myself in those thoughts."

All thoughts about why the Cubs have struggled revolve around starting pitching. Only Jon Lester and Kyle Hendricks have met expectations. Darvish is off to a disastrous start, Jose Quintana has been too mediocre for a pitcher of his mastery, and No. 5 starter Tyler Chatwood has thrown as if he thinks those "W" signs mean walk, not win. Chatwood, pushed up a day to replace Darvish, walked five in his second straight stint of 2²/₃ innings, giving up six hits and three earned runs on 88 pitches in an outing booed by a crowd of 41,587.

The Cubs hitters need to come through more consistently with runners in scoring position — like they did in taking the Giants series — and their fielders must shore up the sloppiness. But nothing will make the Cubs resemble the Cubs again quicker than their starting rotation living up to its value. An overtaxed bullpen can't carry this team all season.

Darvish likely will make about \$1 million per start in 2018, Quintana cost the Cubs minor-league studs Eloy Jimenez and Dylan Cease in a trade with the White Sox and Chatwood signed for \$38 million. It's time to look like money pitchers again, fellas.

Spot starter Mike Montgomery goes Monday against the Pirates, and you wonder if a strong five-inning outing will give the Cubs something to consider for the underachieving rotation. Could the next walk that upsets Chatwood be one to the



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Cubs pitcher Yu Darvish, left, has struggled to live up to his big contract in eight starts.

bullpen?

The Cubs still have more answers than questions this uneven season, but it's not a comfortable lead.

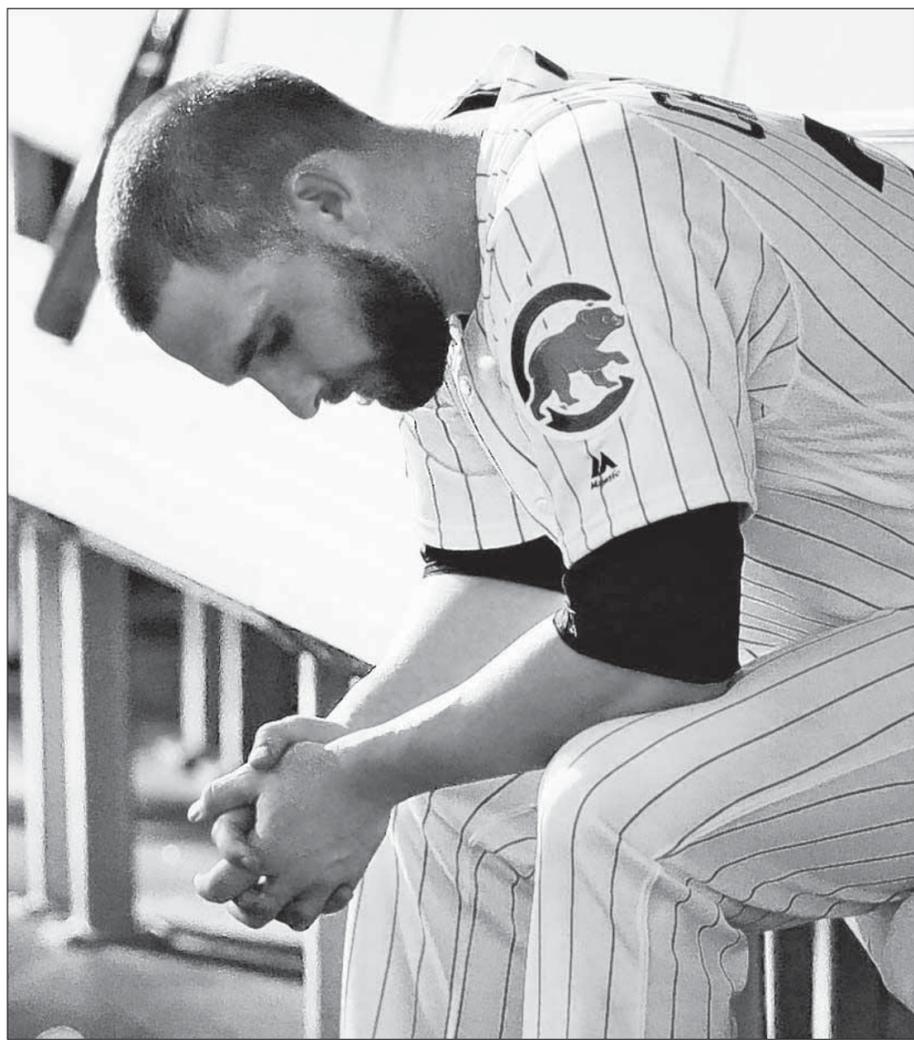
"It's hard to get on a roll without great starting pitching," Maddon said. "I did make the comment before the season

about this rotation being the best I've seen since I've been here, which I still think you're going to see."

You better believe it.

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CUBS 8, GIANTS 3



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Cubs starting pitcher Tyler Chatwood sits in the dugout after being pulled in the third inning Sunday night.

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gation system, which has lost its wireless connection.

"We have work to do; he has work to do," Maddon said. "I'm not saying by any means (we are) giving up on this fellow. I really believe in (him). His stuff is that good. We've just got to get a more stable routine that permits him to control himself when he gets out there. That's it."

Cubs President Theo Epstein gave a three-year, \$38 million contract to the 28-year-old Chatwood last winter, a reward for surviving five seasons pitching at Coors Field. He seemed set to elevate his performance away from the thin air and all that outfield acreage but has walked five or more in seven of his 10 starts for the Cubs.

Chatwood walked five in 2²/₃ innings against the Giants. He had similarly failed to get out of the third inning against the Indians on Tuesday at Wrigley, when he walked six. He now has walked 23 in 19²/₃ innings in his last five starts and leads the majors with 45 walks, eight more than runner-up Lucas Giolito of the White Sox.

Chatwood's wildness hasn't exactly come out of nowhere; he walked 11 in 21²/₃ innings in spring training. But he had walked five-plus only four times in 52 starts over the last two seasons, when he made a successful return from Tommy John surgery.

Umpire Eric Cooper knew early this wasn't going to be an easy night as Chatwood walked two of the first four hitters he faced.

His low point was in walking Giants pitcher Ty Blach in both

CUBS AT PIRATES

All games on WSCR-AM 670.

Monday: 12:35 p.m., ABC-7.
LH Mike Montgomery (0-1, 5.33) at RH Chad Kuhl (4-2, 4.20)
Tuesday: 6:05 p.m., WGN-9.
LH Jon Lester (4-2, 2.37) at RH Ivan Nova (2-5, 4.96)
Wednesday: 6:05 p.m., NBCSCH
RH Kyle Hendricks (4-3, 3.16) at RH Joe Musgrove (1-0, 0.00)

the second and third innings. He threw only 46 of 88 pitches for strikes.

There was widespread approval of the Cubs' Chatwood signing. Some said he could do for the North Siders what Charlie Morton is doing for the Astros. He had it all going for him — not just the move from Coors but also a tick upward in velocity and elite spin rate on his curveball. But the ability to throw strikes is essential to all of this, and suddenly Chatwood has turned into Mitch Williams.

With Yu Darvish on the disabled list, expect the Cubs to continue starting Chatwood every fifth game. He's on track to face the Mets on Friday in New York and should take his turn against the Phillies next week at Wrigley.

Maddon implied that the Cubs would use their staff sports psychologists and counselors to help Chatwood put less pressure on himself.

"We're going to try (to fix it on the fly)," Maddon said. "We're going to see how that plays out. It's not easy. I'm not saying it's going to be easy, but I believe we can do it. I believe he can do it."

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THE BOX SCORE										
SAN FRANCISCO										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Hernandez cf	5	0	2	0	2	.315				
McCutchen rf	2	0	0	0	1	.236				
Belt 1b	4	1	1	0	1	.315				
Longoria 3b	4	1	1	0	1	.250				
Crawford ss	5	1	2	0	1	.315				
Sandoval 2b	3	0	1	1	0	.237				
b-Jackson ph	1	0	0	0	0	.248				
Moronta p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
c-Gomez ph	1	0	0	0	0	.267				
Williamson lf	4	0	1	2	1	.267				
Hundley c	4	0	1	0	1	.244				
Blach p	0	0	0	0	0	.050				
Tomlinson 2b	2	0	0	0	0	.216				
TOTALS	35	3	9	3	8					
CUBS										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Almora cf	5	2	3	1	0	.326				
Baez 2b	5	1	2	3	0	.266				
Bryant 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.292				
Rizzo 1b	3	1	1	1	0	.215				
Contreras c	3	1	1	0	0	.269				
Schwarber lf	4	0	1	0	2	.257				
Russell ss	4	0	1	1	1	.258				
Heyward rf	4	1	1	1	0	.224				
Chatwood p	1	0	1	0	0	.250				
a-La Stella ph	1	1	1	0	0	.344				
Duensing p	1	0	0	0	1	.000				
Hancock p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
TOTALS	36	8	13	8	8					

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a-singled for Rosario in the 5th, b-grounded out for Johnson in the 7th, c-flied out for Gearrin in the 9th. **E:** Contreras (7), Heyward (2). **LOB:** San Francisco 13, CUBS 10. **2B:** Almora (2), Bryant (1), 3B: Contreras (4), Heyward (3). **HR:** Baez (1), off Johnson. **RHS:** Sandoval (1), Williamson (2), Almora (1), Baez (3), Bryant (2), Russell (2), La Stella (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** San Francisco 7 (Hernandez, McCutchen, Crawford, Hundley); CUBS 6 (Baez, Schwarber, Russell, Heyward, Rizzo). **RISP:** San Francisco 4 for 12; CUBS 5 for 13. **Runners moved up:** Baez, GiDP: Sandoval, Hundley, Almora. **DP:** San Francisco 1 (Crawford, Sandoval, Belt); CUBS 2 (Russell, Baez, Rizzo). **SAN FRANCISCO** IP H R ER BB SO ERA

Blach, L 3-5 3 7 5 5 4 3 4.90
Moronta 3 5 3 3 1 1 6.26
Johnson 1 0 0 0 0 2 1.52
Gearrin 1 1 0 0 1 2 3.32

CUBS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Chatwood 2²/₃ 6 3 3 5 3 4.10
Rosario, W 1-0 2¹/₃ 1 0 0 2 3 0.00
Duensing 2 1 0 0 0 1 0.54
Edwards 1 0 0 0 1 1 3.00
Hancock 1 1 0 0 0 0 1.74

Blach pitched to 2 batters in the 4th. **Inherited runs scored:** Johnson 2-2, Rosario 3-0. **Umpires:** H, Eric Cooper; 1B, Gary Godstrom; 2B, Cory Blaser; 3B, Stu Scheurwater. **Time:** 3:31. **A:** 41,587 (41,649).

HOW THEY SCORED

GIANTS FIRST: Hernandez grounded out. McCutchen walked. Belt reached on fielder's choice. McCutchen out at second. Longoria walked. Belt to second. Crawford singled. Belt to third. Longoria to second. Sandoval singled, scoring Belt. Longoria to third. Crawford to second. Williamson singled, scoring Longoria and Crawford. Sandoval to third. Williamson advanced to second. Hundley grounded out. **Three runs, Giants 3-0.**
CUBS FIRST: Almora Jr. singled. Baez grounded out. Almora Jr. to second. Bryant doubled, scoring Almora Jr. Rizzo singled, scoring Bryant. Contreras struck out. Schwarber singled. Rizzo to third. Russell singled, scoring Rizzo. Schwarber to second. Heyward flied out. **Three runs, Tied 3-3.**
CUBS FOURTH: Rosario walked. Almora Jr. doubled. Rosario to third. Baez homered, scoring Rosario and Almora Jr. Bryant flied out. Rizzo flied out. Contreras struck out. **Three runs, Cubs 6-3.**
CUBS FIFTH: Schwarber grounded out. Russell grounded out. Heyward tripled. La Stella singled, scoring Heyward. Almora Jr. doubled, scoring La Stella. Baez grounded out. **Two runs, Cubs 8-3.**

CUBS NOTES

Arm strength an asset for Schwarber

BY PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

Kyle Schwarber has worked hard on his fielding and his conditioning while with the Cubs, and it's showing. He isn't likely to win a Gold Glove Award any time soon, but he has gotten attention with his throwing arm.

Schwarber made two strong throws to the plate in the seventh inning of Saturday's loss to the Giants that had Wrigley Field buzzing.

Gorkys Hernandez was waved home by third-base coach Ron Wotus on a single by Evan Longoria. But it was like Hernandez heard Schwarber's laser throw to the plate speed past him. He slammed on the brakes halfway to the plate and re-retreated safely to third.

Hernandez scored on Brandon Belt's sacrifice fly to left field a batter later. But it took all he had to slide under Willson Contreras' tag as Schwarber threw a second straight rocket to the plate.

"He's always had a decent arm,

but his footwork has gotten so much better," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said. "The arm strength seems to have gotten better too. Just the whole body. Everything he did in the offseason (conditioning himself) is playing into these throws right now."

Schwarber is tied for second among major-league left fielders with four assists. The Orioles' Trey Mancini leads with six, followed by Schwarber, Corey Dickerson, Yoanis Cespedes, Andrew Benintendi and Curtis Granderson.

Montgomery to start: Mike Montgomery will replace the injured Yu Darvish in the rotation, facing the Pirates on Monday afternoon in Pittsburgh. It will be his 20th start for the Cubs, the first this season.

Montgomery filled a void for the Cubs in 2016, compiling a 3.33 ERA over 35²/₃ innings in five starts, but was 5-5 with a 4.15 ERA in 14 starts last season. His rate of strikeouts per nine innings in starts dropped from

8.9 in 2016 to 7.3 last season.

"One thing we talked about with him in spring training was he was going to get X number of starts," Maddon said. "Here came this opportunity tomorrow. Plus (the Pirates) have some really good left-handed hitters. It kind of matches up well."

The Pirates actually have been tougher on left-handed pitchers than right-handers this season, batting .269 with an .825 OPS against lefties and .256 with a .741 OPS against righties.

Darvish, who was placed on the disabled list with what's being called triceps tendinitis, will have an MRI on Tuesday to determine the injury's severity.

Bad landing: Happ bruised his right shoulder trying unsuccessfully to make a diving catch Saturday. He was scratched Sunday as a precaution, and Schwarber was a late addition to the lineup.

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TIGERS 3, WHITE SOX 2

Shields can't stop 'hard-luck' run

Pitcher's winless stretch reaches 11 starts as Sox offense offers little help

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

DETROIT — Walks did in James Shields in the second and fifth innings Sunday.

Blaine Hardy's changeup did in Sox hitters for most of the game.

The result was a 3-2 White Sox loss to the Tigers in the series finale at Comerica Park.

Shields gave the Sox what has been typical of him this month: seven innings and three earned runs, but Sox hitters could not solve the Tigers left-hander's off-speed pitches.

Hardy, starting for just the third time in five seasons, made the most of his 85 pitches in seven innings, throwing 55 for strikes, and getting a career-high six Sox batters to whiff.

"We had all the reports about him," Jose Abreu said through an interpreter. "We faced him before as a reliever, but he was executing really well today, and you have to tip your hat. He had really good control of his changeup and the cutter was really good today too."

Sox manager Rick Renteria said, "(Hardy) didn't have an abundance of velocity, but the differential in his off-speed, the changeup especially, kept it away, ran it away from righties pretty well. Kept you honest."

Renteria said he was satisfied with how Shields pitched: five hits, four strikeouts and three walks.

"Three runs; minimized damage," Renteria said. "I wish we could've gotten him some runs. It seems like he's the hard-luck guy for us."

Shields is winless in his last 11 starts, matching his longest winless streak last season.

"I had too many walks. It was a grind day for me," Shields said. "At the end of the day that's something that I can control, and they took advantage."

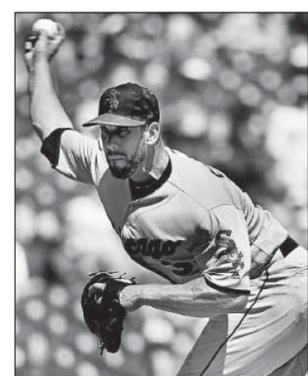
In a two-run fifth inning in which Dixon Machado and Nicholas Castellanos singled in runs, Shields walked Jeimer Candelario to load the bases. After a huddle on the mound, Shields served Victor Martinez a couple of knuckle curves before getting him to pop out on a fastball.

"They capitalized on a couple of pitches that I threw up in the zone," he said. "That's a team where you can't really make mistakes like that, but again it goes back to the walks."

Shields did have a couple of shining moments.

After giving up an RBI double to Grayson Greiner in the second, Shields picked off John Hicks at third base. In the seventh he dropped a nasty 67-mph eephus curveball on Leonys Martin to strike him out, then sauntered off the field. Shields smiled when asked about it later.

About the pickoff, he said, "When I first got called up (to Tampa Bay in 2006), (then-Devil Rays manager) Joe Maddon, I told him I can pick to third — and this was before everybody was picking



PAUL SANCYA/AP

James Shields bears down against the Tigers. Shields allowed three earned runs over seven innings.

THE BOX SCORE

WHITE SOX										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Anderson ss	3	1	0	0	1	.242				
Sanchez 3b	4	0	2	1	1	.277				
Abreu 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.313				
Rondon dh	4	1	1	1	1	.258				
Palka rf	4	0	2	0	1	.281				
2-Tilson pr	0	0	0	0	0	.143				
Moncada 2b	4	0	0	0	3	.247				
Engel cf	3	0	0	0	0	.213				
Thompson lf	3	0	0	0	1	.128				
Narvaez c	3	0	0	0	1	.174				
TOTALS	32	2	7	2	10					
DETROIT										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Martin cf	4	0	0	0	2	.252				
Castellanos rf	4	0	1	1	0	.323				
Candelario 3b	3	0	0	0	2	.272				
Martinez dh	3	1	1	0	0	.245				
1-Reyes pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	.118				
Hicks 1b	4	0	1	0	0	.280				
Jones lf	3	1	1	0	1	.228				
Greiner c	2	1	1	1	0	.304				
Iglesias ss	3	0	0	0	0	.246				
Machado 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.209				
TOTALS	29	3	6	3	5					

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1-ran for Martinez in the 8th. 2-ran for Palka in the 9th. **LOB:** WHITE SOX 4, Detroit 5. **2B:** Greiner (2). **3B:** Sanchez (5). **HR:** Rondon (3), off Greiner. **RHS:** Sanchez (23), Rondon (6), Castellanos (28), Greiner (4), Machado (16). **SB:** Sanchez (4), Palka (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** WHITE SOX 3 (Rondon 2, Thompson); Detroit 3 (Martinez 2, Iglesias). **RISP:** WHITE SOX 0 for 5; Detroit 3 for 9. **GDIP:** Hicks. **DP:** WHITE SOX 1 (Anderson, Moncada, Abreu).

WHITE SOX IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Shields, L 1-5 7 5 3 3 3 4 4.54
Bummer 1 1 0 0 0 1 3.00

DETROIT IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Hardy, W 1-0 7 3 1 1 1 6 2.70
Jimenez, H 10 1 0 0 0 0 3 2.55
Greene, S 13-16 1 2 1 1 0 1 4.07

WP: Bummer. **Umpires:** H, Pat Hoberg; 1B, Nic Lentz; 2B, Mark Carlson; 3B, Chris Guccione. **Time:** 2:17. **A:** 23,419 (41,297).

TIGERS SECOND: Martinez walked. Hicks singled. Martinez to second. Jones flied out. Greiner doubled, scoring Martinez. Hicks to third. With Iglesias batting, Hicks kicked off. Iglesias flied out. **One run, Tigers 1-0.**
WHITE SOX THIRD: Narvaez flied out. Anderson walked. Sanchez tripled, scoring Anderson. Abreu grounded out. Rondon struck out. **One run, Tied 1-1.**
TIGERS FIFTH: Jones singled. Greiner walked. Jones to second. Iglesias popped out. Machado singled, scoring Jones. Greiner to second. Martin popped out. Castellanos singled, scoring Greiner. Machado to third. Castellanos advanced to second. Candelario walked. **Castellanos flied out. Two runs, Tigers 3-2.**
WHITE SOX NINTH: Sanchez grounded out. Abreu flied out. Rondon homered. Palka singled. Tilson pinch-ran for Palka. Moncada struck out. **One run, Tigers 3-2.**

WHITE SOX AT INDIANS

All games on WGN-AM 720.

Monday: 3:10 p.m., WGN-9.
RH Dylan Covey (1-1, 3.46) vs. RH Adam Plutko (1-0, 2.03).
Tuesday: 5:10 p.m., NBCSCH.
RH Lucas Giolito (3-5, 7.53) vs. RH Mike Clevinger (3-2, 3.32).
Wednesday: 12:10 p.m., NBCSCH.
RH Reynaldo Lopez (1-3, 2.93) vs. RH Corey Kluber (7-2, 2.17).

to third. ... It got me out of a little jam right there."

Sox designated hitter Jose Rondon made it interesting with a two-out home run to left in the ninth inning, and Daniel Palka followed with an infield single, but Tigers closer Shane Greene struck out Yoan Moncada with an 82-mph slider to end game.

"In general I thought game was pretty well played," Renteria said. "Great at-bat by Jose there at the end. But again, just not enough."

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WHITE SOX NOTES

Gonzalez had no doubts he'd make it to majors

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

DETROIT — Alfredo Gonzalez struck out three times against the Tigers on Saturday and the next day he couldn't have seemed happier.

In the bigger picture, the White Sox catcher finally did it: He made his big-league debut — and as a spot starter — after nine seasons in the minors.

"My first few at-bats I was really nervous. I think that's something that's natural for every rookie," Gonzalez, 25, said through an interpreter.

"I thought he received pretty well," manager Rick Renteria said. "Obviously he was anxious with his first few at-bats. (Francisco Liriano) was taking advantage of him with his changeup. I thought his later at-bats were much better."

"You get the butterflies out." Gonzalez was called up from Triple-A Charlotte on Thursday after Wellington Castillo's 80-game suspension for violating the league's joint drug agreement.

The Astros signed Gonzalez as an undrafted free agent in 2008 and started him in the Dominican Summer League.

Gonzalez bounced around to six other Astros affiliates before he was traded to the White Sox for

cash in 2016. He played for Birmingham and Charlotte over the last two seasons.

Since his arrival, Gonzalez said he has gotten advice and support from everyone in the clubhouse, particularly the Spanish-speaking players, which includes six other Venezuelans, fellow catcher Omar Narvaez among them.

"I was watching a lot of videos with (Saturday's starter) Hector (Santiago)," he said. "I talked with him a lot just to get on the same page. We felt good, and I think it showed in the game."

Gonzalez said he never lost faith during his long wait for a shot at the majors.

"No, not at all. Never," he said. "Like every ballplayer, we work hard for this moment. And that's your motivation. Just to be in the majors, you work for that and use that like a fuel."

No change for Davidson: Designated hitter Matt Davidson was out of the lineup again with back tightness and remains

BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 VS OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Cubs Montgomery (L)	0-1 5.33 0-0	1-0 12.0 2.25
PH Kuhl (R)	4-2 4.20 7-3	1-2 17.0 6.88
NY deGrom (R)	4-0 1.54 5-5	2-0 18.0 3.00
Atl Fried (L)	0-2 6.00 0-0	0-1 6.1 1.42
StL Weaver (R)	3-4 4.31 4-6	2-0 16.2 5.40
Sut Suter (L)	4-3 4.56 4-5	0-2 14.0 5.14
Cin Bailey (R)	1-6 6.21 1-10	1-0 6.2 1.35
ARI Koch (R)	2-3 3.77 3-4	0-0 0.0 0.00
Mia Smith (L)	3-5 3.83 4-6	0-0 0.0 0.00
SD Lauer (L)	1-2 6.67 1-5	0-0 0.0 0.00
SF Suarez (L)	1-4 5.68 1-5	0-0 0.0 0.00
Col Bettis (R)	4-1 3.30 6-4	0-0 5.1 5.06
NY TBD	— — —	— — —
PH McCarthy (R)	5-2 4.67 7-3	1-0 6.0 0.00
Pitt Velasquez (R)	4-5 4.18 5-5	1-0 6.0 0.00
LA Stewart (R)	0-0 3.72 1-0	0-0 1.0 9.00

AMERICAN LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 VS OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Sox Covey (R)	1-1 1.38 1-1	0-0 3.0 3.00
Cle Plutko (R)	2-0 2.03 2-0	2-0 0.0 0.00
Hou Verlander (R)	6-2 1.08 7-4	2-0 16.0 0.56
NYY German (R)	0-2 5.99 2-1	0-0 2.0 9.00
Tor Sanchez (R)	2-4 4.07 3-7	0-1 4.0 6.75
Bos Price (L)	4-4 4.08 6-4	0-0 1.1 0.00
LA Skaggs (L)	3-3 3.11 5-5	0-0 0.0 0.00
Det Boyd (L)	2-3 2.29	0-0 0.0 0.00
TB Archer (R)	3-3 4.68 5-6	0-0 6.0 6.00
Oak Cahill (R)	1-2 2.75 3-3	0-0 0.0 0.00
Tex Fister (R)	1-4 4.22 4-5	0-1 3.2 4.91
Sea Gonzales (L)	4-3 3.54 6-4	1-0 5.0 5.40
Min Lynn (R)	2-4 6.34 3-6	0-0 6.0 3.00
KC Junis (R)	5-2 5.57 7-3	0-0 11.1 3.27

INTERLEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 VS OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Was Gonzalez (L)	1-2 2.26 5-4	0-1 6.0 9.00
Bal Cobb (R)	5-6 7.32 1-7	0-0 0.0 0.00

Team rec: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. **Vs. Opp:** Pitcher's record vs this opponent, 2017 statistics.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS	MINNESOTA AT KANSAS CITY, 7:15
Detroit 3, White Sox 2	San Francisco at Colorado, 7:40
Cubs 8, San Francisco 3	Cincinnati at Arizona, 8:15
Atlanta 7, Boston 1	Tampa Bay at Oakland, 9:00
N.Y. Yankees 3, L.A. Angels 1	Miami at San Diego, 9:05
Cleveland 10, Houston 9 (14)	Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10
Washington 5, Miami 2	Texas at Seattle, 9:10
Tampa Bay 8, Baltimore 3	
Toronto 5, Philadelphia 3	
St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 4	
MILWAUKEE 8, N.Y. Mets 7	
Kansas City 5, Texas 3	
COLORADO 8, Cincinnati 2	
OAKLAND 2, Arizona 1	
SEATTLE 3, Minnesota 1	
LA DODGERS 6, San Diego 1	
TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE	
White Sox at Cleveland, 5:10	
Cubs at Pittsburgh, 6:05	
Washington at Baltimore, 6:05	
Houston at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05	
L.A. Angels at Detroit, 6:10	
Toronto at Boston, 6:10	
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 6:35	
St. Louis at Milwaukee, 6:40	

NL LEADERS	AL LEADERS
BATTING	BATTING
Gennett , CIN 52 197 27 67 340	Betts , BOS 48 184 52 66 359
Markakis , ATL 51 203 33 69 340	Brantley , CLE 41 170 25 57 335
Kemp , LA 50 159 17 53 333	Simmons , LA 51 190 31 63 332
Oherrera , PHI 49 181 25 60 331	Altuve , HOU 54 221 31 73 330
Almona , CHI 44 138 28 45 326	Segura , SEA 40 213 36 69 324
Freeman , ATL 41 194 33 63 325	Miichalchuk , BAL 53 207 25 67 324
Arenado , COL 48 176 29 57 324	Castellanos , DET 49 195 27 63 323
Cabrera , NY 48 190 28 60 316	JMartinez , SEA 50 194 33 62 320
Belt , SF 49 178 30 56 315	Abreu , CHI 49 195 28 61 313
BCrawford , SF 51 178 21 56 315	Ramos , TB 41 155 15 48 310

HOME RUNS	DOUBLES	TRIPLES	STOLEN BASES	STRIKEOUTS
Harper , WAS 16	Bryant , CHI 16	Albies , ATL 14	Hosmer , SD 16	Stolen Bases 18
Villanueva , SD 14	Wendle , BOS 15	Baez , CHI 5	Hosmer , SD 16	Strikeouts 18
Baez , CHI 5	Wendle , BOS 15	Shaw , MIL 13	Hosmer , SD 16	Strikeouts 18
Shaw , MIL 13	Wendle , BOS 15	Adams , WAS 12	Hosmer , SD 16	Strikeouts 18
Adams , WAS 12	Wendle , BOS 15	Turner , OAK 12	Hosmer , SD 16	Strikeouts 18
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Cozart 3b	2	0	1	0	1	238	
Simmons ss	4	1	2	1	0	332	
Ohtani dh	2	0	0	0	2	291	
Valbuena 1b	3	0	0	0	2	221	
a-Marte ph	1	0	0	1	1	286	
Deshaies 2b	3	0	0	0	2	172	
Maldonado c	4	0	0	0	1	256	
Calhoun rf	3	0	0	0	0	145	
Young if	3	0	0	0	0	154	
TOTALS	29	1	4	1	10	11	

NEW YORK	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Gardner if	4	0	0	0	0	246
DeGuzman dh	2	1	0	0	0	290
Stanton rf	4	3	0	0	0	246
Sanchez c	3	1	0	0	2	230
Gregorius ss	3	1	0	0	2	230
Hicks cf	3	0	0	0	1	244
Bird 1b	3	0	1	0	0	143
Andujar 3b	3	0	0	0	1	291
Walker 2b	3	0	0	0	1	214
Torres 2b	1	0	0	0	0	320
TOTALS	29	3	1	0	3	10

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Johnson , R, 1 0 0 0 0	2	3	0	0	2	3	0.00
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SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	@PIT 12:35 ABC-7 AM-670	@PIT 6:05 WGN-9 AM-670	@PIT 6:05 NBCSCH AM-670	@NYM 6:10 NBCSCH AM-670	@NYM 6:10 NBCSCH+ AM-670	@NYM 6:15 FOX-32 AM-670	@NYM 12:10 ABC-7 AM-670
	@CLE 3:10 WGN-9 AM-720	@CLE 5:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@CLE 12:10 NBCSCH AM-720	MIL 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720	MIL 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	MIL 1:10 WGN-9 AM-720	
			@PHI 6:30 AM-1200			SJ 7:30	
					CON 8 WCIU-26.2		LV 5 WCIU-26.2

MONDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB	Time	Matchup	Network
Noon	3:10 p.m.	Astros at Yankees	ESPN
12:35 p.m.	3:10 p.m.	Cubs at Pirates	ABC-7, WSCR-AM 670
3:10 p.m.	6 p.m.	White Sox at Indians	WGN-9, WGN-AM 720
6 p.m.	9 p.m.	Giants at Rockies	ESPN
9 p.m.		Phillies at Dodgers	MLBN

NBA PLAYOFFS

8 p.m.	G7, Warriors at Rockets	TNT, WMVP-AM 1000
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MEN'S GOLF NCAA TOURNAMENT

3 p.m.	Individual national championship	Golf Channel
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NHL STANLEY CUP FINAL

7 p.m.	G1, Capitals at Golden Knights	NBC-5
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MEN'S LACROSSE NCAA FINAL

Noon	Teams TBD	ESPN2
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BOYS LACROSSE NATIONAL SEMIFINALS

6 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPNU
8 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPNU

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

5:30 p.m.	Bolivia vs. U.S.	FS1, WXFT-60
8 p.m.	Mexico vs. Wales	FS1, WXFT-60

TENNIS

1 p.m.	French Open	Tennis Channel
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COLLEGE ULTIMATE FRISBEE

2 p.m.	Men's national championship	ESPNU
4 m.	Women's national championship	ESPNU

TENNIS: 122ND FRENCH OPEN

SUNDAY'S RESULTS	Yulia Putintseva d. #22 Johanna Konta, 6-1, 6-3.
Stade Roland Garros, Paris; out-clay	#25 Anett Kontaveit d. Madison Brengle, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2.
MEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES	#2 Alex Zverev d. Richard Berankis, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.
#4 Grigor Dimitrov d. Mohamed Safwat, 6-1, 6-4, 7-6 (1).	
#6 David Goffin d. Robin Haase, 4-6, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.	
#10 Pablo Carreno-Busta d. Jozsef Kovalkic, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5, 7-6 (5).	
#15 Lucas Pouille d. Daniil Medvedev, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.	
#19 Kei Nishikori d. Maxime Janvier, 7-6 (0), 6-4, 6-3.	
#26 Daniil Medvedev d. Denis Kudla, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.	
#30 Fernando Verdasco d. Yoshihito Nishioka, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-3, 6-7 (3), 7-5.	
#2 Gael Monfils d. Elliot Benchrit, 6-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-1.	
Corentin Moutet d. Ivo Karlovic, 7-6 (7), 6-2, 7-6 (5).	
Martin Klizan d. Laslo Djere, 7-6 (6), 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-1.	
Federico Delbonis d. Thomas Bellucci, 6-1, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1.	
Gaio Anastasio d. Taylor Fritz, 7-6 (4), 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.	
Jared Donaldson d. Nicolas Pietrangeli, 6-3, 4-6, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.	
Matteo Berrettini d. Oscar Otte, 7-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-1.	
Radu Albot d. Gregoire Barrere, 4-6, 0-6, 7-5, 6-1, 6-2.	
WOMEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES	#4 Elena Svitolina d. Ajla Tomljanovic, 6-3, 6-2.
Kateryna Kozlova d. #5 Jelena Ostapenko, 7-5, 6-3.	
Qiang Wang d. #9 Venus Williams, 6-4, 7-5.	
#10 Sloane Stephens d. Arantxa Rus, 6-2, 6-0.	

GIRO D'ITALIA	Stage 21 (final), a 71.5-mile, mostly flat ride through Rome
1. Sam Bennett, Ireland	2:50:49
2. Elia Viviani, Italy	same
3. Jean-Pierre Drucker, Luxembourg	same
4. Nathan Brown, U.S.	36:24*
5. Benjamin King, U.S.	34:59*
6. Tom Dumoulin, Netherlands	6:09*
7. Chad Haga, U.S.	45:32*
8. Miguel Angel Lopez, Colombia	45:32*
9. Chris Froome, Britain	45:32*
OVERALL	*time behind
1. Chris Froome, Britain	89:02:39*
2. Tom Dumoulin, Netherlands	46*
3. Miguel Angel Lopez, Colombia	45:32*
4. Richard Carapaz, Ecuador	5:44*
5. Domenico Pozzovivo, Italy	8:03*
6. Benjamin King, U.S.	22:42:26*
7. Nathan Brown, U.S.	24:22:39*
8. Joe Dombrowski, U.S.	3:09:17*
9. Chad Haga, U.S.	3:20:46*

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS	WASHINGTON VS. VEGAS
Monday: at Vegas, 7	Wednesday: at Vegas, 7
Saturday: at Washington, 7	June 4: at Washington, 7
x-June 7: at Vegas, 7	x-June 10: at Washington, 7
x-June 13: at Vegas, 7	(Best-of-7; x-if necessary; home team in CAPS)

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS	TORONTO 4, LEHIGH VALLEY 0
GAME 1: TORONTO 4-3	GAME 2: TORONTO 3-2 (OT)
GAME 3: Toronto 5-0	GAME 4: Toronto 3-1

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS	TEXAS 3, ROCKFORD 2
GAME 1: TEXAS 4-2	GAME 2: TEXAS 3-5 (OT)
GAME 3: ROCKFORD 3-2 (OT)	GAME 4: ROCKFORD 3-1
Monday: at Texas, 7	x-Tuesday: at Texas, 7
(best-of-7; x-if necessary; home team in CAPS)	

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS	LOS ANGELES 3, SEATTLE 1
GAME 1: LOS ANGELES 3-1	GAME 2: SEATTLE 1-0
GAME 3: LOS ANGELES 3-1	GAME 4: SEATTLE 1-0

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS	ATLANTA 2, SKY 2
GAME 1: ATLANTA 2-1	GAME 2: SKY 2-1
GAME 3: ATLANTA 2-1	GAME 4: SKY 2-1

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS	MINNESOTA 2, DALLAS 2
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LATEST LINE

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL	NATIONAL LEAGUE	MONDAY	
at Pittsburgh	Off	Off	
NY Mets	-135	at Atlanta	+125
at Atlanta	Off	New York	Off
St. Louis	+113	at Milwaukee	+103
Miami	-110	at San Diego	+100
at Arizona	-150	Cincinnati	+140
at Colorado	-123	San Fran.	+113
at Los Angeles	-130	Philadelphia	+120
AMERICAN LEAGUE	MONDAY		
at Cleveland	-190	White Sox	+175
Houston	-140	at New York	+130
at Boston	-180	Toronto	+165
Los Angeles	-152	at Detroit	+142
at Oakland	-130	Tampa Bay	+120
at Seattle	-165	Texas	+155
at Kansas City	-111	Minnesota	+101
INTERLEAGUE	MONDAY		
Washington	-136	at Baltimore	+126

NBA	MONDAY
pregame.com	at Houston
Golden State	5 1/2

NHL	MONDAY		
at Las Vegas	-144	Washington	+134

TRANSACTIONS	
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BASEBALL	
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AMERICAN LEAGUE	
Cleveland: Sent OF Bradley Zimmer to Akron (EL) for a rehab assignment.	
Detroit: Sent RHP Jordan Zimmermann to Toledo (IL) for a rehab assignment.	
Minnesota: Traded RHP Phil Hughes, cash and the 74th overall draft pick in 2018 to San Diego for C Janisung Villalobos.	
New York: Assigned LHP Ryan Bollinger outright to Trenton (EL). Sent RHP Adam Warren to Scranton/Wilkes (IL) for a rehab assignment.	
Oakland: Optioned RHP Chris Bassitt to Nashville (PCL). Recalled RHP Frankie Montas from Nashville.	
Seattle: Placed RHP Nick Vincent on the 10-day DL. Optioned INF Daniel Vogelbach and C David Freitas to Tacoma. Designated INF Taylor Motter for assignment. Recalled RHP Dan Altavilla from Tacoma. Selected the contract of C Chris Herrmann from Tacoma. Activated RHP Alex Colome.	
Tampa Bay: Optioned LHP Anthony Banda to Durham (IL). Recalled RHP Jaime Schultz from Durham.	
Toronto: Optioned OF Dalton Pompey to Buffalo (IL). Reinstated LHP Jaime Garcia from the 10-day DL. Sent OF Randal Grichuk to New Hampshire (EL) for a rehab assignment.	

NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Cubs: Designated 1B Efran Navarro for assignment.	
Miami: Sent RHP Brett Graves to Jacksonville (SL) for a rehab assignment.	
Milwaukee: Optioned RHP Adrian Houser to Colorado Springs (PCL). Recalled RHP Jacob Barnes from Colorado Springs.	
New York: Optioned RHP Chris Flexen to Las Vegas (PCL). Recalled LHP P.J. Conlon from Las Vegas.	
San Francisco: Sent LHP Madison Bumgarner to Sacramento (PCL) for a rehab assignment.	
Washington: Sent OF Brian Goodwin and 2B Daniel Murphy to Harrisburg (EL) for rehab assignments.	

COLLEGE BASEBALL	
BIG EAST TOURNAMENT	St. John's 7, Seton Hall 0
BIG TEN TOURNAMENT	Minnesota 6, Purdue 4
MISSOURI VALLEY TOURNAMENT	Missouri 2 1/2, Dallas Baptist 6 (10)
OHIO VALLEY TOURNAMENT	Morehead St. 4, Tennessee Tech 3

FRONTIER LEAGUE	EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB
Lake Erie	10	5	.667	—	
Washington	9	6	.600	2 1/2	
Windy City	7	7	.500	2 1/2	
Traverse City	7	8	.467	3	</

AUTO RACING



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Will Power pours the traditional bottle of milk after winning the Indianapolis 500. "It's unbelievable," the 37-year-old Aussie said.

INDIANAPOLIS 500

Plenty in reserve

Fuel strategy pays off as Power wins iconic race for the 1st time

BY JAMES F. PELTZ | Los Angeles Times

INDIANAPOLIS — Australian driver Will Power long ago discredited any quips about his name by winning the IndyCar series title in 2014 and being one of the sport's best racers on curvy road courses.

But it wasn't until Sunday that Power filled the one remaining gap on his resume: Winning the most famous race on an oval track, the Indianapolis 500.

Power prevailed in a late-race dash with two other drivers to capture the 102nd running of the iconic race in front of 250,000 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway on a day when the temperature hit 91 degrees, making it the second-hottest day in the race's history.

He had come close before, in 2015, when he led the Indy 500 five times for 23 laps but lost to then-teammate Juan Pablo Montoya in the closing laps and finished second.

"I was wondering if I would ever win it," Power, 37, said after grabbing the winner's traditional bottle of milk and pouring it over his head in victory lane. "It's unbelievable. I just couldn't imagine winning a race in front of a crowd like this."

Later, after he kissed the speedway's

yard of bricks, Power said on Twitter: "We did it!! We got to drink the milk!"

Power drives a Chevrolet-powered car for Roger Penske, and the victory gave the team owner a record 17th Indy 500 victory.

"The one thing (Power) always talked about was, 'I have to win the Indy 500,'" Team Penske President Tim Cindric said. "His mind never leaves the sport."

Pole-sitter Ed Carpenter finished second and former Indy 500 winners Scott Dixon and Alexander Rossi, who started next to last in the 33-car field, finished third and fourth, respectively.

Danica Patrick, who ended her racing career, finished 30th after her car spun and crashed before the midway point.

Power was running third when the field was restarted after a caution period with seven laps left, while Stefan Wilson and Jack Harvey were first and second, respectively.

But Wilson and Harvey were forced to pit for fuel with only four laps left, enabling Power to take the lead.

Power saw the two cars pull off in front of him and rejoiced.

"I thought, game over," he said. "On the (final) white-flag lap I was screaming, because I knew I was going to win."

The caution was set up by a crash involving former Indy 500 winner Tony Kanaan with 11 laps remaining in the 200-lap race at the 2.5-mile speedway.

Kanaan was among several drivers who lost control of their cars, spun and hit the

wall.

The others included Patrick, Helio Castroneves, Sebastien Bourdais, Ed Jones and Sage Karam. None was seriously injured.

Castroneves was hoping to become only the fourth driver to win the race four times.

Power's victory was by no means a fluke; he qualified third and led 59 laps. The win also gave him a sweep for the month because Power won the IndyCar Grand Prix at Indianapolis, held May 12 on the speedway's road course.

But Penske acknowledged that Power's win Sunday could have slipped away if his team's fuel strategy had left Power behind Wilson and Harvey.

"We had the fuel," Penske said. "They didn't. A lap or two difference, someone else would have been the winner."

It was Power's 34th IndyCar victory. He has captured the pole position 51 times.

Carpenter, an Indianapolis native, again fell short of winning his most sought-after race, although the driver-team owner had his best finish in 15 attempts and led a race-high 65 laps.

"It was his day and not mine," Carpenter said of Power. "I'm really happy for him. I know how hard he worked on how to do better on ovals, because he just flat out didn't like them at first. He turned a weakness into a strength."

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NASCAR COCA-COLA 600

Kyle Busch dominates record-setting race

BY PETE IACOBELLI
Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. — Kyle Busch led 377 of 400 laps in a dominating Coca-Cola 600 run at Charlotte Motor Speedway to finally break through with a points-race victory at the only NASCAR Cup track that had eluded him.

Busch started on the pole, won every stage in the circuit's longest race and left everyone else in the field fighting for second on the way to his fourth victory of the season.

The victory gave Busch a points-race win at every NASCAR track on the schedule.

"I don't know if it has ever been done before but the first one ever to check off all of the tracks and get it all done," Busch said. "I don't want to go to any new ones so now we just have to start the whole process over."

Martin Truex Jr. was second, some four seconds behind. It was two years ago

Truex had his own mind-boggling performance, leading 392 of 400 laps for a NASCAR record 588 of 600 miles to win at Charlotte.

Kevin Harvick's try for a third straight points win this month ended with an early accident.

Busch's Joe Gibbs Racing teammate, Denny Hamlin, was third, followed by Brad Keselowski and Jimmie Johnson.

Busch's victory ended a day of dominance on racing's single biggest day. Things began with Australia's Daniel Ricciardo taking the pole and leading every lap at the Monaco Grand Prix. It continued at the Indianapolis 500 with Will Power giving owner Roger Penske his 17th win at the Brickyard.

Once Busch took the track, he quickly proved he would not be kept out of Charlotte's victory lane again.

This race figured to be a match race between NASCAR's two hottest drivers in Busch and Kevin Harvick.

Harvick had won five times, including

the last two points events and the All-Star race here last week.

Instead, Harvick's race ended early after an accident on Lap 83.

Harvick hit the wall, cut a front tire and trailed sparks on the track toward the garage.

Harvick showed off one of the best cars, rallying from starting 39th due to inspection problems this week to get the fourth before his problems began.

"Happy" Harvick didn't sound too broken up about his quick night. "I can't complain about anything that's happened this year," said Harvick, who finished last. "We have to take the good with the bad."

Harvick last left the track early in the season-opening Daytona 500, then followed that with three straight victories.

Things may be turning around for seven-time NASCAR series champion Johnson, who had his fifth top-10 finish this season and fourth in the last six races. Johnson rallied from a mid-race spin to get himself into the top five.

NHL

STANLEY CUP FINAL

First Cup will be quite the charm

Golden Knights, Capitals ready to make NHL history

BY HELENE ELLIOTT | Los Angeles Times

Capitals forward Alex Ovechkin had to wait 13 NHL seasons to make his first appearance in the Stanley Cup Final. The Golden Knights had to wait about 13 minutes.

A first-time Stanley Cup champion will be crowned in June. Ovechkin's Capitals return to the Cup final for the first time since they were swept by the Red Wings in 1998, and the Golden Knights go for hockey's biggest prize in their first season.

Both teams exceeded expectations. The Capitals retooled after another early playoff exit last spring. They didn't finish first overall as they had the previous two seasons, but they overcame a slow start against the Blue Jackets and slayed their longtime nemesis, the Penguins.

The Golden Knights, projected to be a bottom-of-the-barrel expansion team, harnessed their speed and work ethic and the goaltending of Marc-Andre Fleury to win the Pacific Division. They then prevailed against the different styles they faced from the Kings, Sharks and Jets.

The Capitals and Golden Knights have many links: Vegas general manager George McPhee was the Capitals' GM for 17 years and used the No. 1 overall draft pick in 2004 to select Ovechkin, who this season surpassed 600 goals and 1,000 NHL games; McPhee and his successor in Washington, Brian MacLellan, were teammates in junior hockey, at Bowling Green and with the Rangers; the 1974-75 Capitals set marks for expansion-team futility, while the Golden Knights set records for first-year excellence.

How they measure up:

Regular season

Knights	Stat	Capitals
21.4% (11th)	Power play	22.5% (7th)
81.4% (12th)	Penalty killing	80.3% (15th)
Karlsson 78	Top scorers	Ovechkin 87

Playoffs

Knights	Stat	Capitals
17.6% (10th)	Power play	28.8% (2nd)
82.5% (4th)	Penalty killing	75.4% (10th)
Marchessault 18	Top scorers	Kuznetsov 24

Capitals outlook: Unburdened by the pressure of the No. 1 ranking, the Capitals have been focused and purposeful. Ovechkin (12 goals, 22 points) carried them against the Lightning, supported by playoff scoring leader Evgeny Kuznetsov. Goal-tender Braden Holtby wasn't the first-round starter but seized the job and shut out the Lightning over the last 159 minutes and 27 seconds of the East final. John Carlson leads defensemen in playoff scoring with three goals and 16 points, including 10 points on Washington's fearsome power play, and he leads the Caps with an average ice time of 25:59. They're deep — they've scored an average of 3.47 goals per game and allowed 2.47 — and they can be physical, potentially an asset. But first, they'll have to catch the speedy Golden Knights.

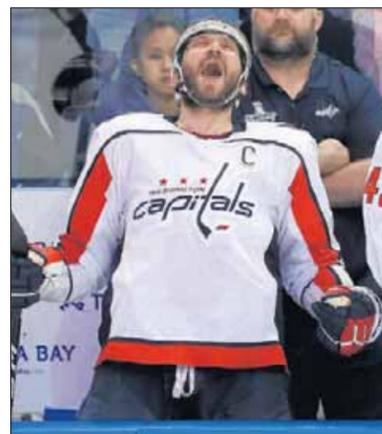
Golden Knights outlook: Fleury is pursuing his third straight Cup title and fourth of his career, and his 1.68 goals-against average and .947 save percentage put him atop Conn Smythe (MVP) lists. While with the Penguins last season, he made 29 saves to shut out the Capitals in Game 7 of the second round; is he still in their heads? The top line of Jonathan Marchessault, William Karlsson and Reilly Smith is fast and skillful. Second-line winger James Neal brings Cup final experience from last season with the Predators. Their defensemen can become too adventurous offensively.

The pick: The expansion Golden Knights will live the dream. Vegas in seven.

CUP SCHEDULE CAPITALS VS. GOLDEN KNIGHTS

G1	Monday in Las Vegas	7 p.m. NBC-5
G2	Wednesday in Las Vegas	7 NBCSN
G3	Saturday in Washington	7 NBCSN
G4	June 4 in Washington	7 NBC-5
G5*	June 7 in Las Vegas	7 NBC-5
G6*	June 10 in Washington	7 NBC-5
G7*	June 13 in Las Vegas	7 NBC-5

* if necessary



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Capitals veteran winger Alex Ovechkin has 12 goals and 22 points in 19 playoff games this season. He has 607 goals in his career.

eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE



DAVID LIPNOWSKI/GETTY

The Golden Knights celebrate after eliminating the Jets in the Western Conference finals to advance to the Stanley Cup Final. Beginning Monday, they'll face the Capitals for the Cup.

Construction plan made Knights into Cup finalists

BY HELENE ST. JAMES
Detroit Free Press

Eleven months after piecing together a hockey team, the Golden Knights have become one of the most improbable underdog stories in pro sports history.

Never has an American expansion franchise excelled like the Knights, who blistered through their debut season to inexplicably reach the Stanley Cup Final.

No team in modern NHL, MLB, NBA or NFL history managed a winning record in their maiden season, according to ESPN's FiveThirtyEight, which is perhaps why Westgate Sportsbook gave the Knights 500-1 odds to win the Cup this season.

How did it happen?

The most important pick Vegas made in June's NHL expansion draft was the goaltender exposed by the Penguins. Marc-Andre Fleury had just won his third Stanley Cup, appearing in 15 playoff games while Matt Murray recovered from injury.

Fleury, with a 1.68 goals-against average in the playoffs, is a leading candidate for the Conn Smythe Trophy as playoff MVP.

Knights general manager George McPhee and coach Gerard Gallant made other savvy selections in the draft, such as forwards William Karlsson and Jonathan Marchessault. Karlsson, 25, had posted single-digit goal tallies the previous two seasons with the Blue Jackets, but he scored 43 goals for the Golden Knights this season, third highest in the league. Marchessault, at 5-foot-9, had just played his first full season in the NHL, producing 51 points run 75 games for the Panthers. He finished as the Knights' second-leading scorer with 75 points, and had seven points in the five games it took Vegas to dispatch the Jets in the Western Conference final.

Yet if there's a lesson to be learned from the Knights' success,

it's that there's risk in pre-arranging selections in the expansion draft. Teams had a choice of protecting either seven forwards, three defensemen and one goaltender, or one goaltender and eight skaters regardless of position. Only the Panthers, Devils, Islanders, Penguins, Predators, Coyotes and Kings opted for the eight-skater choice.

Ten teams pre-arranged with Vegas whom the Knights would select. Most notably, the Wild, determined to avoid the Knights picking young defenseman Matt Dumba off the unprotected list, traded Alex Tuch to Vegas in exchange for selecting Erik Haula in the draft. Both finished in the top eight among the Knights' scorers.

Here is a look at how the Knights' expansion players and other additions performed this season. Players are listed alphabetically within their field.

Key acquisitions

G Marc-Andre Fleury

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Penguins.

Golden buzz: Posted a 29-13-4 record with a 2.24 goals-against average and .927 save percentage in 46 games. In playoffs, he is 12-3 with a 1.68 GAA and .947 save percentage.

F Erik Haula

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Wild.

Golden buzz: Pre-arranged selection in exchange for prospect Alex Tuch. Haula had 29 goals and 26 assists for 55 points in 76 games. Has three goals and four assists in 15 playoff games.

F William Karlsson

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Blue Jackets.

Golden buzz: Had 43 goals and 35 assists for 78 points in 82 games. Has six goals and seven assists in 15 playoff games.

F Jonathan Marchessault

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Panthers.

Golden buzz: Had 27 goals and 48 assists for 75 points in 77 games. Has eight goals and 10 assists in 15 playoff games.

F James Neal

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Predators.

Golden buzz: Had 25 goals and 19 assists for 44 points in 71 games. Has four goals and five assists in 15 playoff games.

F David Perron

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Blues.

Golden buzz: Had 16 goals and 50 assists for 66 points in 70 games. Has seven assists in 11 playoff games.

F Alex Tuch

Path to Knights: Part of the trade condition in which Vegas selected Erik Haula from the Wild in the expansion draft.

Golden buzz: Called up from the AHL on Oct. 15. Had 15 goals and 22 points for 37 points in 78 games. Has six goals and three assists in 15 playoff games.

D Brayden McNabb

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Kings.

Golden buzz: Had five goals and 10 assists for 15 points in 76 games. Has five points in 15 playoff games.

D Nate Schmidt

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Capitals.

Golden buzz: Had five goals and 31 assists for 36 points in 76 games. Has two goals and four assists in 15 playoff games.

F Reilly Smith

Path to Knights: Traded Jun. 21 by the Panthers because of salary-cap issues for a fourth-round pick in 2018.

Golden buzz: Had 22 goals and 38 assists for 60 points in 67 games. Has two goals and 14 assists in 15 playoff games.

Supporting cast

F Pierre-Edouard Bellemare

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Flyers.

Golden buzz: Had six goals, 10 assists for 16 points in 72 games. Has one assist in 15 playoff games.

F Ryan Carpenter

Path to Knights: Claimed off waivers Dec. 13 (placed by Sharks).

Golden buzz: Had nine goals and six assists for 15 points in 52 games. Has five assists in 13 playoff games.

F Cody Eakin

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Stars.

Golden buzz: Had 11 goals and 16 assists for 27 points in 80 games. Has three goals, one assist in 15 playoff games.

D Deryk Engelland

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Flames.

Golden buzz: Had five goals and 18 assists for 23 points in 79 games. Has no points in 15 playoff games.

D Brad Hunt

Path to Knights: Signed as a free agent July 1.

Golden buzz: Had three goals and 15 assists for 18 points in 45 games.

F Oscar Lindberg

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Rangers.

Golden buzz: Had nine goals and two assists for 11 points in 63 games. Has one assist in three playoff games.

D Jon Merrill

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Devils.

Golden buzz: Had one goal and two assists in 34 games. Has no points in eight playoff games.

D Colin Miller

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Bruins.

Golden buzz: Had 10 goals and 31 assists for 41 points in 82 games.

Has three points in 15 playoff games.

F Tomas Nosek

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Red Wings.

Golden buzz: Had seven goals and eight assists for 15 points in 67 games. Has one goal and two assists in 12 playoff games.

F Ryan Reaves

Path to Knights: Via Feb. 23 trade from Penguins for Tobias Lindberg.

Golden buzz: Had four goals and six assists for 10 points in 79 games. Has one goal in six playoff games.

D Luca Sbisa

Path to Knights: Expansion pick from Canucks.

Golden buzz: Had two goals and 12 assists for 14 points in 30 games. Has two points in seven playoff games.

G Malcolm Subban

Path to Knights: Claimed off waivers Oct. 3 (placed by Bruins).

Golden buzz: Posted a 13-4-2 record with a 2.68 goals-against average and .910 save percentage in 22 games.

F Tomas Tatar

Path to Knights: Via Feb. 26 trade with Red Wings in exchange for a first-round pick in 2018, a second-round pick in 2019 and a third-round pick in 2021.

Golden buzz: Had four goals and two assists in 20 games. Has one goal in six playoff games, and otherwise has been a healthy scratch, including the last two games.

D Shea Theodore

Path to Knights: Traded June 21 by the Ducks as part of arrangement that Vegas select Clayton Stoner in expansion draft.

Golden buzz: Called up from AHL on Oct. 30. Had six goals and 23 assists for 29 points in 61 games. Has two goals and five assists in 15 playoff games.

eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE

Winning at mental game lifts Manaea to stardom

BY MARTIN GALLEGOS

East Bay Times

From brushing off an early-inning home run to no-hitting the hottest lineup on earth, Sean Manaea carries himself with quiet confidence.

But that wasn't always the case.

In the small town of Wanatah, Ind., the A's left-hander stood out as the best young pitching prospect in the middle of hoops country. But how much stock was he supposed to put into that?

He had hardly even garnered a sniff from Division I college programs, and even when he got his D-I chance at second-tier Indiana State he hadn't exactly blown the doors off that opportunity and flourished.

So what got into Manaea that summer on the easternmost shore of Massachusetts, pitching in one of baseball's mythical proving grounds, the Cape Cod League?

He hadn't been feeling great about his stuff heading there. It was hard for Manaea to see how his fastball, which sat around 88-92 mph at the time, would find success against the top collegians who assemble in Cape Cod each summer.

"For me it was like, don't embarrass yourself and be one of those guys who comes here for two weeks and gets cut," Manaea said. "I didn't want to be one of those guys."

But on June 14, 2012, when he took the mound for the Hyannis Harbor Hawks for the first time that summer, Manaea underwent a transformation.

"I don't know what happened," he said. "(But) I saw like 95-96 on the radar gun and thought, 'Where the hell did that come from?'"

He immediately put that heat to good use, striking out eight batters — and everything began to flow.

Not only did he last well beyond two weeks, he dominated the Cape Cod League for two full months. He set a strikeout record of 85 in 57⅓ innings en route to being named the league's top prospect over Aaron Judge, Kyle Schwarber and others.

In case he needed confirmation that his velocity was up in a big way, Manaea hit 98 on the radar gun while in Cape Cod.

Up, too, was his confidence. He was no longer just a big fish in a small pond dominating hitters around Indiana and the Missouri Valley Conference.

Suddenly he was legit MLB prospect with endless potential.

And he was starting to believe it.

Long road to majors

So how did a Samoan even end up in small-town Indiana anyway? Manaea's American Samoa-born father, Faaloloi, was stationed there after serving in the Vietnam War as a member of the Army.

Faaloloi met his wife, Opal, in another nearby small town of Knox. The two raised Sean and his older brother, Dane, in Wanatah. Faaloloi worked in a steel mill for 35 years and Opal worked in a can factory before both retired in 2006.

From Little League through high school, Manaea dominated as a pitcher. The lefty attended South Central High School for three years before transferring to Andean High in Merrillville, Ind., where he led the 59ers to a state championship his senior year. He was named to the All-Indiana team at both schools, but even with the impressive numbers he put up, Manaea went undrafted in 2010.

Not only did Manaea go undrafted, he didn't even elicit much interest from colleges besides a couple of Division II schools.

Manaea had trouble keeping his grades up. But Rick Heller, the coach at Indiana State at the time, along with pitching coach Tyler Herbst saw something in Manaea.

"Sean had the physical attributes. Long arms, tall, left-handed," said Heller, now the coach at Iowa. "He wasn't a hard thrower coming out of high school, maybe 84-85 mph. He didn't have great command of any of his pitches."

"I just remember saying if this kid comes in and has a good attitude and great work ethic with aptitude, he can pitch in the big leagues. But if he doesn't, he might not even pitch for us."

The work ethic was there. A skinny, 6-foot-5 Manaea showed up his freshman year around 180 pounds and put on 20 pounds of solid muscle by the end of fall.

Manaea was also a sponge, willing to soak up as much knowledge as he could from his coaches. He was open to an idea from Herbst to change the way his body moves on his delivery to repeat the angle on his fastball more fluidly.

These changes increased Manaea's fastball to 90 mph, which enabled him to earn playing time his freshman season as opposed to redshirting. He went 5-5 with a 4.32 ERA and team-high 82 strikeouts in 15 starts as a freshman. Then he went 5-3 with a 3.34 ERA and 115 strikeouts in 17 starts as a sophomore.

It was his junior year when he returned from conquering the Cape Cod League and left scouts raving about him.

But with that increased profile also came immense pressure.

A flood of agents hounded Manaea upon



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A's left-hander Sean Manaea, pitching Friday against the Diamondbacks, has now found mental strength to match his physical ability.

his return to Indiana State. Scouts began comparing Manaea to now-Red Sox ace Chris Sale and penciling him in as a future No. 1 pick in the draft. He signed with Scott Boras.

For a 20-year-old kid coming from a town of about 1,000 people where everyone knows each other, this was all uncharted waters.

"All of a sudden there's all this added pressure and stress," Heller said. "Sean is a happy-go-lucky kid. He had to learn to deal with all that and be accountable in a way he never had to before. Sean had to turn into an adult."

Manaea admitted the extra pressure got to him at times on the mound. This was a guy who before the Cape Cod fame had bullpen sessions where he'd throw three straight strikes right down the middle, followed by a couple of pitches that sailed several feet over the catcher's head. He was an overthinker.

With the slew of scouts and agents constantly in his ear, Manaea found himself thinking too much again. But this time, he had Heller around to help deal with the adversity.

"It was more about just eliminating mental mistakes and things we can control,"

Manaea said of Heller. "He taught me a lot about becoming more of a stronger pitcher mentally."

Mental strength

After battling a hip problem that dropped his velocity, Manaea went No. 34 overall to the Royals in the 2013 draft. Then he made his way to the A's with right-hander Aaron Brooks in a 2015 trade for Ben Zobrist.

Manaea was solid but inconsistent in his first two seasons in the big leagues.

The stuff of a potential ace of the staff was there, but Manaea still struggled with the mental side that he ran into in his younger days in Indiana. A home run would send him to a dark place on the mound. He would start trying to fix his mechanics between pitches. He was thinking too much again.

If Manaea was ever going to evolve into that top-tier pitcher he was projected to be, he could no longer rely on just the stuff. He had to conquer that mental side.

After going 12-10 with a 4.37 ERA in 2017, Manaea entered the offseason no longer just trying to work out all the time. The muscle was there. He now had to get stronger in the mind.

"It was really an eye-opening moment," Manaea said. "I realized I wasn't really preparing myself. I was going out doing my thing and hoping skills would help me out. Something had to change, and I started doing video work."

Manaea also did a lot of visualizing. He started picturing himself pitching well in front of thousands of people. He even imagined himself in specific scenarios.

"It was mostly for when that moment does come, you're not surprised," he said.

It's why he remained so calm in the ninth inning of his no-hitter this season against the Red Sox. Last year Manaea would have panicked, but visualization made sure he wasn't surprised to find himself in that spot.

"I was just super relaxed the entire time," he recalled.

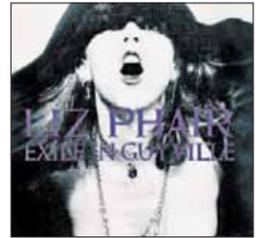
Manaea is now sure of how great he can be. This isn't just a one-year wonder in 2018. With Manaea only 26, Heller wouldn't be surprised if his former pitcher threw another no-hitter down the line.

And Manaea now knows, in the wake of that first big-league no-hitter, what the next level of confidence looks like.

"Mike Trout sent me a DM on Twitter congratulating me," he said. "That was pretty cool."

Return to 'Guyville'

Liz Phair looks back on her iconic album 25 years later



By MIKAEL WOOD
 Los Angeles Times

Liz Phair had a good excuse for arriving late to an interview the other morning.

"I'm so sorry — I was at therapy," the singer said with a laugh as she slid into a booth at a restaurant near her home in Manhattan Beach, Calif. "I'm trying to be proactive about my stage fright."

An indie-rock star since her instant-classic 1993 debut, "Exile in Guyville," Phair said she'd learned through experience to control an anxiety that goes back to her childhood. But now the fear was flaring up again ahead of a tour on which she plans to perform the songs from "Guyville" as they appeared on a series of homemade cassettes she released under the name "Girly-Sound" in 1991.

"Which means I have to remember to sing them slightly differently than I've been singing them for decades," she added. "And it's not like I'm gonna sit there with a lyric sheet. *Lame.*"

The tour, set to play the Empty Bottle on June 9, comes behind a new 25th-anniversary "Guyville" box set that includes the long-bootlegged "Girly-Sound" tapes along with essays and an oral history explaining the album's importance and influence.

Loosely conceived as a track-by-track response to the Rolling Stones' "Exile on Main St." — "I wanted to take the perspective of the female characters in the Stones' songs," Phair explains — "Guyville" captured the indelible voice of a brash and gifted young songwriter dissatisfied with rock's domination by men.

The record was frank and funny and unashamedly sexual, and though Phair was pulling directly from her years in Chicago's Wicker Park neighborhood, "Guyville" ended up resonating widely; today it's still a touchstone for 20-something indie rockers like Lucy Dacus and Soccer Mommy.

In addition to preparing for her tour, Phair, 51, is finishing an album, her first since 2010, and working on a memoir she says will address her life as a musician and a mother. Yet she knows that "Guyville" holds a special place, which is one reason she seems to have spoken with every writer who expressed an interest in the reissue.



JAY L. CLENDENIN/LOS ANGELES TIMES

"At the time I was definitely feeling empowered, but I wasn't feeling like part of a movement per se," says Liz Phair of her 1993 debut album.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Slayer bids farewell with blast of ferocity

By BOB GENDRON
 Chicago Tribune

Slayer's Chicago-area farewell concert Friday at a packed Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre in Tinley Park ended with the song that kicked off its 1986 album "Reign in Blood" and, by extension, countless subgenres of extreme music. A conflagration of disciplined intensity, technical prowess, breakneck aggression and tectonic dynamics, "Angel of Death" served as a fitting finale for a 90-minute show that witnessed the hugely influential metal band touch on nearly every phase of a 37-year career starting to near its end.

For decades, Slayer defied the ravages of age, serving as a model of consistency and refusing to bow to trends. Despite being virtually ignored by radio and video stations, the group established an unbreakable bond with legions of fans whose rabid



COURTNEY PEDROZA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Slayer's Kerry King plays guitar during Friday's concert in Tinley Park.

dedication was trumped only by Slayer's ferocity and precision. As recently as 2010, the band still seemed untouchable in the concert arena, its performances mad rushes of adrenaline, volume and danger that held nothing back.

But the last few years haven't been as easy. Co-founding guitarist Jeff Hanneman died of liver cirrhosis in 2013, shortly after original drummer Dave Lombardo split with the quartet over a contract dispute. Slayer also managed to release just one

record in the past eight-plus years. Several other factors, not to mention the physical demands of the music, further suggested it might be time to call it a day.

With Gary Holt standing in for Hanneman and Paul Bostaph manning percussion, members of the group's lasting vitality frequently emerged during a set that balanced long-standing favorites with a few dusted-off rarities. "Postmortem" conjured

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'Solo' takes pro director for a spin

Not Ron Howard's first rodeo, but 'Star Wars' is a whole other ride

By KENNETH TURAN
 Los Angeles Times

CANNES, France — The sign reads "Press Hospitality Room," but there are no journalists to be found. Instead there are crumpled napkins, unclaimed pens, forgotten umbrellas, a half-empty Coke bottle and a solitary bluebottle fly out of a Raymond Chandler novel.

The detritus, so to speak, of a tsunami of scribes drawn to the Carlton Hotel by the chance to talk to the principals of "Solo: A Star Wars Story," the one film at this year's festival (which closed May 19) that doesn't have to worry if it's going to make any money.

"More than 50," says Ron Howard in a nearby room when asked the number of journalists he talked to this day. "The other day in Los Angeles, I broke my record, I did over 67 TV interviews."

This is not Howard's first rodeo. In show business for



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Ron Howard replaced Phil Lord and Chris Miller as "Solo's" director during production.

most of his life, he's directed for more than 40 years and won the Oscar for "A Beautiful Mind."

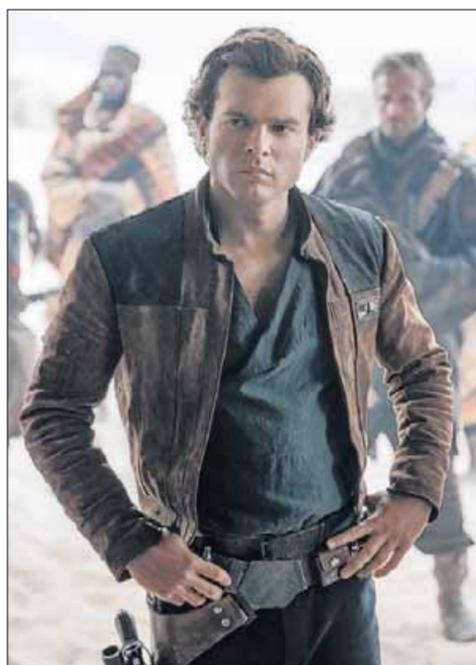
Yet the responsibility of telling the origin story of Han Solo, called "one of the most beloved characters in cinema history" by Disney publicity, was not business as usual, even for him.

"Without a doubt there's an awareness, but it's a quality

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Alden Ehrenreich as Han Solo in "Solo."

Disappointing takeoff for 'Solo' with \$83.3M

In the largest disturbance yet in Disney's otherwise lucrative reign over "Star Wars," the Han Solo spinoff "Solo: A Star Wars Story" opened well below expectations with a franchise-low \$83.3 million in ticket sales over the three-day weekend in North America.

Disney estimated Sunday that "Solo" will gross \$101 million over the four-day Memorial Day weekend, a figure below even the opening weekends of the much-derided "Star Wars" prequels. Last week, forecasts ran as high as \$150 million for the four-day haul of "Solo."

Overseas ticket sales were even worse. "Solo," starring Alden Ehrenreich in the role made iconic by Harrison Ford, grossed \$65 million internationally in its opening weekend, including a paltry \$10.1 million in China.

"Solo" came in with a Millennium Falcon's worth of baggage following the midproduction firing of directors Phil Lord and Christopher Miller, who were replaced by Ron Howard. With the rejiggered production, the budget soared well past \$250 million.

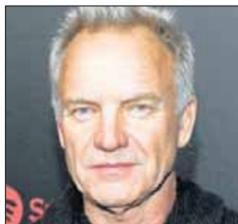
"Solo" notched the biggest Memorial Day weekend opening in several years, but it also came on the heels of a pair of a summer-sized blockbusters — "Deadpool 2" and Disney's own "Avengers: Infinity War" — making for an unusually crowded May. "Infinity War" added \$16.5 million in its fifth weekend to bring its domestic total to \$621.7 million and its global sales to \$1.9 billion — both among the highest of all-time.

— Associated Press

Box office

1. Solo: A Star Wars Story
\$83.3 million
2. Deadpool 2
\$42.7
3. Avengers: Infinity War
\$16.5
4. Book Club
\$9.5
5. Life of the Party
\$5.1
6. Breaking In
\$4.1
7. Show Dogs
\$3.1
8. Overboard
\$3
9. A Quiet Place
\$2.2
10. RBG
\$1.2

SOURCE: Associated Press, estimated sales, Friday–Sunday.



AMY SUSSMAN/INVISION

Degree for Sting: Ivy League school Brown University bestowed an honorary degree on English musician Sting, above. The Rhode Island school presented him with the degree at its 250th commencement Sunday. Sting formed the pioneering British rock band The Police with Stewart Copeland and Andy Summers in 1977. He co-founded an environmental organization, the Rainforest Fund, to protect the world's rainforests.

May 28 birthdays: Singer Gladys Knight is 74. Singer John Fogerty is 73. Singer Kylie Minogue is 50. Actor Justin Kirk is 49. Singer Colbie Caillat is 33.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Sibling wonders if brother has autism

Dear Amy: Growing up, my 36-year-old brother always acted strangely, but we always chalked it up to the fact that he was shy. As he got older, we just said he was just a loner.

But now that I know more about autism, I believe he may have had this condition his whole life.

As an adult, he hardly interacts with the family — and when he does, he hardly makes eye contact, talks in a monotone, rarely smiles (even when talking about happy topics), and always seems uncomfortable. The family always invites and includes him, but most of us feel uneasy about reaching out to him.

He lives a good life as a single man. He has a steady job and bought a condo. Should I just let things continue the way they are, or should I mention my suspicions of his autism to him or the family?

— Curious

Dear Curious: I can't definitively identify or diagnose autism spectrum disorder, but based on what you describe, it does sound as if your brother might be "on the spectrum."

Identifying his behavior and assigning a name to it might provide you with some insight and (hopefully) understanding and additional compassion toward your brother, who seems to do well, despite his challenges.

You could read up on Asperger's syndrome and autism spectrum disorder. There is a growing body of materials available that will help you to understand qualities and traits that people with ASD have. If you share this with

your brother, make sure you do so with an open mind and heart. Don't present this information to him as: "Now I know what's wrong with you." Say, "This material helped to give me insight, and I thought you'd be interested, too." He may not be interested in pursuing this insight or a diagnosis, but knowing more could help you to understand his particular gifts, tendencies and challenges.

Dear Amy: I am grieving and don't know what to do.

I was my father's guardian — at his request — the last five years of his life. Two of my siblings were upset about his decision and spent those five years inventing ways to discredit me. My other two siblings were happy it was me — and not they — who had the responsibilities.

Our father died in his sleep three years ago at age 90, leaving us each a generous inheritance. Since then, one sibling who fought me and one who supported me have died.

My surviving siblings and I are in our 60s; our children are in their 40s. We are at a stalemate — the animosity on one side of the family is palpable; the love on the other is constant, but it's not enough. Somebody suggested mediation and everyone, except me, rejected it. I am haunted by the hatred I have endured these past years and plagued by sleepless nights. How can I move on?

— Grieving

Dear Grieving: You have experienced so much loss over the last three years — of course you feel sad,

spent and depressed. Loss is the special burden of those of us on the far end of middle age, and it can knock a person flat.

You are ruminating on all of these relationships that resist resolution, but you need to understand that many relationships simply remain challenging, despite your efforts.

You can advocate for mediation and communication, but if your siblings won't participate, you'll be left frustrated and sad.

Because of this, you should seek help for yourself. A compassionate counselor and/or grief group will help you to unpeel the layers of these interlocking relationships. A support group can help to contextualize your grief.

Many (if not most) families are locked into various alliances; the illness and death of a parent can unleash animosities. Talk, cry, write about it and think of this as something to "go through," not "get over."

Dear Amy: I didn't like the way you answered "Disappointing Wife," whose husband was giving a

(so-called) homeless man, who was allegedly "dying," a beer and a sandwich every day. I'm sure that nice guy was being played, and I can't believe you didn't notice that.

— Disappointed

Dear Disappointed: Even if this husband was being "played" by a street person who lied about dying to get a daily beer, so what?

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 - 7 Word attached to wax or ache
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Area native recalls landing her dream job on 'Ellen'

BY TRACY SWARTZ
Chicago Tribune

After years of surprising fans of "The Ellen DeGeneres Show" with their contest winnings, Westchester native Jeannie Klisiewicz was shocked when DeGeneres surprised her with a Ford EcoSport and an audience seat dedicated in her name to celebrate her 10th anniversary working for the show.

"This is not what I expected for my life. I thought I would be a teacher, and that would have been a wonderful life. This was never the journey that I had planned, and the fact that it is my journey and it is my story is overwhelming in the best of ways," Klisiewicz told the Tribune by phone after the segment aired last week.

Klisiewicz recalls planning her University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign schedule around "Ellen," wearing "Ellen" pajamas and constantly writing to producers. She had recently

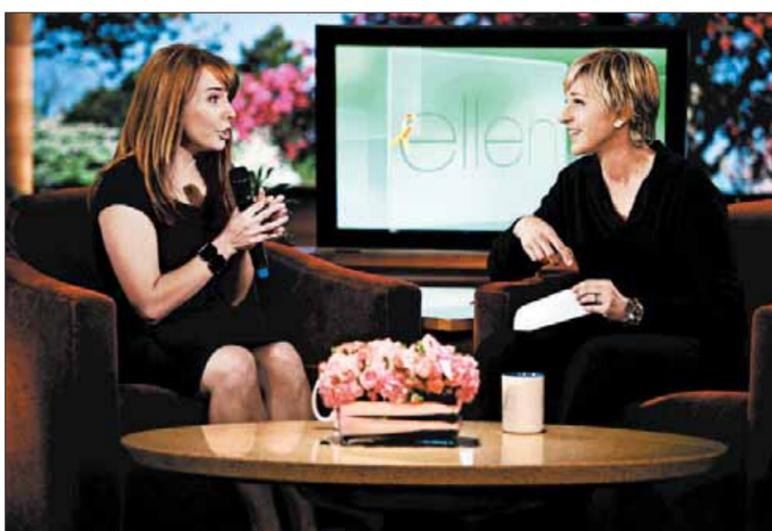
graduated with an elementary education degree and was on her parents' Sugar Grove porch 10 years ago when she received a call from DeGeneres that changed her life.

"So you've entered every contest and you've never won one contest?" DeGeneres asked Klisiewicz. "Do you know why I'm calling you? To tell you you still have not won anything. Nothing. ... What do you need?"

"I need a job," Klisiewicz said. "I mean, I'll like clean your bathrooms."

And so Klisiewicz headed to California and taped a red-carpet segment, which eventually led to a correspondent job that has allowed her to crisscross the country to give away cars, large checks and tickets to major sporting events.

As part of these sweepstakes, Klisiewicz has had the opportunity to share some very emotional moments with "Ellen" fans. One of her favorites was a reunion of long-lost siblings



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Westchester native Jeannie Klisiewicz chats with her boss and mentor, Ellen DeGeneres.

featured on an episode of "Life's First-Evers with Jeannie," a new digital series with Ford.

Klisiewicz, 31, has had her share of surprises as well. DeGeneres, whom Klisiewicz considers to be

her mentor, got her a dream walk-on role in the Broadway production of "Wicked" in 2015.

DeGeneres surprised Klisiewicz with the Ford EcoSport and the audience seat by having Klisiewicz

try to surprise a woman who turned out to be an actress in on the gag. Klisiewicz was the one who was stunned when DeGeneres invited her onstage.

"When she revealed that

seat, that was so emotional because I remember sitting on my couch in college and watching audience members sit in those seats and all I really wanted was to be able to sit in them too," Klisiewicz said. "And now the fact that one of them has my name on it is unreal. It sounds so goofy because it's a plaque on a seat, but it means more to me than I can express."

And where does Klisiewicz plan to be in 10 years?

"I don't know what the future holds. I hope that I'm doing something where I'm able to give back just like I am here. I am one of those people, I'm a firm believer that sometimes in life you have to stand still and look around at all the blessings that you have," she said. "And this show and the people that I'm with and this job is the biggest blessing. I'm just so proud to be here."

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3 guitarists head into the unknown — is it still jazz?

BY CHRIS RICHARDS
The Washington Post

More than any other instrument, guitars remain the weapon of choice for exhibitionists, extroverts and showboats. With their fretboards facing outward toward the audience, guitar players are those musical birds of paradise who invite us to listen by saying, "Hey, watch this."

That must be why we continue to venerate the guitar as an instrument for truth-telling. When you're in the presence of an unbelievable guitar player, you can instantly confirm the experience with two of your five Aristotelian senses.

Jazz guitarists, on the other hand, tend to do more mysterious work, as evidenced by a cool rush of new recordings by Mary Halvorson, Rafiq Bhatia and Steve Tibbetts. And while all three make beguiling guitar music — ahem — is it jazz? That's a question that won't be killed, so whenever it materializes, I recite a little mantra that the critic Ben Ratliff wrote back in 2002: "Jazz is what jazz musicians do."

But like any great koan, it generates more questions. Do Halvorson, Bhatia and Tibbetts consider themselves jazz musicians? And does that even matter? Nowadays, maybe jazz is whatever jazz audiences are listening to. And if they're not listening to these three, they're missing out.

Halvorson is the most talked-about rising jazz guitarist since Kurt Rosenwinkel, and here's what everybody's saying: She studied with the famously cerebral improviser Anthony Braxton; her playing can feel equally forthright and unpredictable; and her most recent album, "Code Girl," calmly marches into new turf for a disorienting 90 minutes. For the first time, Halvorson has built this new music around piles of cryptic lyrics that she's written, inviting vocalist Amirtha Kidambi to deliver them in a voice that somehow feels both emotive and flat, while trumpeter Ambrose Akinmusire, bassist Michael Formanek and drummer Tomas Fujiwara each bring a delicate touch to Halvorson's inside-out chamber music.

But the guitar is always the thing to listen for, and really, you don't have much choice. Whenever Halvorson sounds a note, she makes it stand up straight, generating a centralizing lucidity in compositions that otherwise feel wobbly and weird. Even when she runs her electric guitar through effects — warped echoes, peach-fuzz distortion — her shifts in texture never obscure her gestures. If anything, she's putting a fresh twist on the idea of guitar-as-truth-machine.



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Steve Tibbetts' new album, "Life Of," is easily the most elegant of his 40-year career.



AMY TOUCHETTE

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ZENITH RICHARDS/ANTI-RECORDS

Rafiq Bhatia's "Breaking English" pushes toward the same vistas where today's most innovative rap producers reside.

When a guitarist plays this unambiguously, you get to see how strange the music really is.

When Bhatia runs his guitar through digital effects, the flood of sound that comes pouring out can resemble science fiction on a blockbuster scale. Much of the guitarist's new album, "Breaking English," feels loud and foreboding, pushing toward the same

vistas where today's most innovative rap producers currently reside. Bhatia came up playing alongside some great jazz pianists — including Vijay Iyer and David Virelles — but he's obviously fluent in the maximal majesty of 21st-century rap. A few years ago, he was spending his practice hours transposing Kendrick Lamar lyrics onto his Telecaster.

Now, Bhatia's ambitions seem more cosmic. Recently, he told The New York Times that "Breaking English" is meant to evoke "what it would be like to fly over an undiscovered planet." That feels exactly right in the case of "Perihelion II — Into the Sun," where Bhatia's twinkling phrases dance above tiny swells of digital turbulence. But during the menacing drone of "Olduvai I — Minarets," it's more like Bhatia is drilling into the floor of an alien ocean.

Instead of conjuring other worlds, Tibbetts has spent the past 40 years trying to figure out what this one sounds like in its entirety — a quiet, noble quest for one of the most underappreciated musicians of our time. Across the 1980s, during an extraordinary four-album run for the jazz label ECM, the Minneapolis guitarist was using percussion, electronics and his 12-string acoustic guitar to make highly evocative music with astonishing nuance. Tibbetts was deeply interested in the rhythms of Africa, India and Asia, but the worldliness of his recordings always felt like a mysterious mix of scientific exploration and spiritual quest more than a tourist's flirtation.

Tibbetts' exquisite new album, "Life Of," is his strongest since 1989's superb "Big Map Idea" and is easily the most elegant of his career. Accompanied by longtime percussionist Marc Anderson and cellist Michelle Kinney, Tibbetts plays only with his fingertips — no pick — applying both hands to his fretboard, making his notes gently drip and streak.

Instead of advancing forward, this music simply obeys gravity. Forget about jazz, forget about guitars. "Life Of" should make beautiful sense to anyone on this vast and unknowable Earth who's ever spent time listening to the rain.



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Jon Batiste, right, with late-night host Stephen Colbert.

Batiste on 'Treme,' Spike Lee film before 'Late Show'

BY RICH HELDENFELS
Tribune News Service

that viewers enjoy content."

You have questions. I have some answers.

Q: What can you tell me about Jon Batiste, the bandleader on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert"?

A: Part of a renowned Louisiana musical family, 31-year-old Batiste is a Juilliard-educated pianist, composer and bandleader (with the group Stay Human). According to CBS, he has played with Stevie Wonder and Lenny Kravitz, among others, and "paid homage to his unique musical philosophy with his debut album, 'Social Music.'" Batiste also has a Christmas album and appeared as himself in "Treme," HBO's acclaimed series about New Orleans, and acted in Spike Lee's film "Red Hook Summer." And he has been active with the National Jazz Museum in Harlem, where he is co-artistic director.

Q: I've always wondered whether, when you DVR a show, it is actually counted as being watched live in the networks' rating system. Or aren't they able to detect that?

A: They are. As the ways we watch television expand and change, the people making television have sought new ways to figure out who is watching. Ratings service Nielsen says that, in homes with its meters, it tracks "the watching of recorded programming up to seven days after an original broadcast." As if ratings weren't tricky enough to follow before, you can now find reports focusing not only on live-same-day audiences but live-plus-seven-days or live-plus-three days. Nielsen has also been studying other ways people watch TV, inside and outside the home, on an array of devices, as part of its plan "to measure viewing everywhere

Q: I was wondering why the Freeform channel doesn't show the "Harry Potter" films anymore. They used to have a "Harry Potter" weekend at least once a month.

A: Freeform no longer has the rights to those movies. Later this year, NBC will reportedly begin offering the movies on its channels, including Syfy and USA. And right now, HBO is making them available across its platforms, including HBO On Demand and its HBO Go app.

Q: Please tell me if "Rookie Blue" will ever come up with a new season.

A: That series ended in 2015. You can find its star, Missy Peregrym, on CBS this fall in the new drama "FBI."

Q: I have seen Season 1 of "London Spy" on Netflix. Is there any word on when or if there will be a Season 2 of this well-done, gripping show? The suspense is killing me!

A: It appears unlikely that the drama starring Ben Whishaw will continue. Tom Rob Smith, who called the series "a relationship drama refracted through the prism of the spy genre," told The Guardian in 2015 that "the BBC have asked (for more) and my instinct is that it probably shouldn't continue." He had worked through the central relationships, and "I don't have any desire to explore the real-world spy consequences of what was going on."

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Challenge drew Howard

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problem to have," he says in his low-key way. "At least I knew people would be curious."

Also not business as usual in today's Hollywood was that Howard was not "Solo's" original director. He came in after Lucasfilm decided to replace Phil Lord and Chris Miller midway through production for reasons that have yet to be aired publicly.

"There were grievances on both sides," Howard allows, "but at the end of the day I actually thought everyone experienced creative differences, it was a pure example of that term reflecting the truth of the situation."

Howard had been on vacation in France when he took a trip to London to take story meetings and see old friends like Lucasfilm president and "Solo" producer Kathleen Kennedy.

"I asked, 'How's it going?' and she said, confidentially, that they were going to make a change, upsetting as that was. I knew Phil and Chris, I even tried to talk her out of the idea. But she said, 'I have to put together a list. By the way, what are you doing, would you ever consider it?'"

Howard's schedule was clear, and he was "knocked out" when he read the Lawrence Kasdan and Jon Kasdan script. But still he

hesitated. "The films I direct are developed very carefully over a long period of time, I nurture projects along, working with writers, so just jumping in was most unusual for me."

"But I talked to my wife, Cheryl, who knows me very well. When she said, 'You might have regrets if you say no to this,' I felt like she was telling the truth. I said, 'What the hell, I'm going to take a leap.'"

To talk to Ron Howard for any period of time is to understand why he could successfully navigate these potentially treacherous waters. He is knowledgeable, capable, unflappable and naturally polite enough to handle the transition gracefully and care about people's feelings.

"Please put this in," he asks. "Phil and Chris were incredibly gracious and collegial in sitting down with me, talking about the work they'd done, what they learned about the actors."

"They went above and beyond, and it was very much appreciated. If Imagine Entertainment (Howard and Brian Grazer's company) had the opportunity to hire them, we'd be dancing in the aisles."

Analyzing his own approach, Howard says as a director he "applied three things, starting with my experience: the logistics of the process didn't intimidate me."

"Second was my creative objectivity. I could say with confidence I wouldn't have come in if I didn't believe in the possibilities of the story and cast. I didn't have to say I didn't need the job, but it was true."

"Third was my excitement, I felt the thrill of the challenge, and that is infectious."

Howard came to that excitement honestly. In fact, he was probably one of the first people to hear about the original "Star Wars" when he worked for George Lucas as an actor in his 1973 "American Graffiti."

"Standing around in front of Mel's Diner freezing at 3:30 in the morning, I asked what he was doing next and he said, 'I kind of want to make a science fiction film, a Flash Gordon/Buck Rogers kind of movie with cliffhangers but to apply '2001: A Space Odyssey' technology to telling the story.'"

"I nodded my head, but I didn't think it was a good idea; science fiction was really a B genre in those days."

Five years later, when Howard and his wife saw "Star Wars" on Hollywood Boulevard, he felt differently.

"It was a month or so after I wrapped 'Grand Theft Auto' (Howard's first feature as a director), and I was feeling really good about what I'd accom-



ANNE-CHRISTINE POUJOLAT/GETTY-AFP

Director Ron Howard poses with Chewbacca at the Cannes Film Festival in southern France on May 15. "Solo: A Star Wars Story" opened nationwide Friday.

plished, but this blew me back in my chair, just knocked me out emotionally," he remembers.

"We left the theater, and there were two huge lines to buy tickets. I turned to Cheryl and said, 'Do you want to see it again?' So we got into a two-hour line, a full day of 'Star Wars.'"

Howard and Lucas have remained close, so much so that Lucas and his wife, Melody Hobson, showed up on Howard's first day of shooting, a scene between Alden Ehrenreich, who plays Solo, and Emilia

Clarke as the woman of his dreams.

"He leaned over at one point and said, 'At this moment I don't think Han would do that, he would do this,' and he acted out a bit of body language. I immediately said, 'Let's do it, let's try it.' I know how to grab a good idea when I see one."

Howard had such a good time making "Solo" the question arises about whether he would consider doing another "Star Wars" film, a query that gives him pause.

"I like to keep it varied, and there are other projects I'm very involved with, including the story of Lang Lang, the Chinese pianist, and an adaptation of J.D. Vance's nonfiction 'Hillbilly Elegy,'" the director says, thinking it over.

"But I had a lot of fun on this, and if the fans respond well, if my sensibilities and the galaxy are a good fit, now that I've done it on the fly, it would be very entertaining to get to design one from scratch."

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Phair looks back at 'Exile in Guyville'

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"The problem is, you do too many interviews and you end up kind of saying the same things again and again," she admitted over fizzy Arnold Palmers. "I think this might be the last one for a while."

Q: Have you found that men and women ask different questions about the album?

A: Yes. Women want to talk about being female in the industry and being female in general — the 2018 women's uprising. And men tend to be more focused on the Wicker Park scene and indie rock back then. Everybody's sort of picking the movie that they get to star in.

Q: The ideas people bring to you about what 'Exile in Guyville' represents — are they in line with your own thinking?

A: It depends if you mean what I thought when I made it. At the time I was definitely feeling empowered, but I wasn't feeling like part of a movement per se. I was just trying to make a sincere rock record from a female point of view: You've experienced it this way; now let me tell you the other side of the story.

Q: By bringing attention to the "Girly-Sound" tapes, you're doing the scariest thing a writer can do, which is to reveal your drafts. Why?

A: Because the songs have become fixed in people's minds. I've always had a passion — maybe because my mom was a docent at the Art Institute of Chicago — to show how creativity works. To show that it's a process and that you, too, can do it.

Q: How long had it been since you'd heard those early versions?

A: I listen to them a lot, actually. But I tend to throw stuff out, so I was really appreciative of the fan sites keeping this stuff alive.



MARTY PEREZ/MATADOR RECORDS

Liz Phair performs at Lounge Ax in Chicago in 1993, the year she released "Exile in Guyville." A new 25th anniversary box set commemorates the album.

Q: Before this new set came out, you'd just Google "Liz Phair Girly-Sound"?

A: I still do that. I engage with myself probably the way a lot of fans do. I don't have any record collection at my house. I use YouTube for everything.

Q: There's a photo that's been circulating of you playing a club in Chicago in the early '90s. The audience doesn't appear pleased with your performance.

A: I think they're just hard-asses. I don't know if they were pleased or not pleased. But that's what every face looked like at every show back then. That was Guyville.

Q: In your mind.

A: Not in my mind! I was at those shows. And it wasn't just mine. That was the thing back then —

hands shoved in the pants, maybe a police jacket on. That's how you were supposed to look at that kind of music back then. I'd do the same thing if I wasn't playing.

Q: What didn't you want to betray on your face?

A: Whether you liked it or not. You didn't want to look like a fan.

Q: Why not?

A: Because that just wasn't cool. What was cool back then was (Chicago noise-rock bands like) Big Black and Jesus Lizard. I'm not sure any of those people were actually tough, but that was the way to look.

Q: Are the audience members in that picture — all those grumpy dudes — who you envisioned listening to your album?

A: Yes. And I wanted to impress them. I felt like I'd been treated as a girlfriend or an ignorant radio listener, and I wanted to show that I'd been paying attention and had heard all the mixtapes they'd heard.

Q: Did that change at some point? By "White-chocolatespaceegg," from 1998, you sound more interested in addressing other women.

A: Well, I got pregnant in the middle of making that record, and when you're pregnant as a woman you're just where you are supposed to be, according to society. I went from being an outsider pushing against resistance — kind of a grump myself — to having everyone open doors for me and smile at me. I didn't have any men to fight. And then I was around women a lot because I was raising my son

and we were forging those deep female friendship bonds. And I began to not really care what men thought about me.

Q: And now? In a recent interview, you talked about how men create these sham reasons to schedule meetings with you, which suggests the thinking hasn't exactly evolved.

A: Guys will backdoor their way into casual sex with someone any way they can. They're always calling about possible jobs — but if the job was real, they'd just offer it to you. Here's what I don't get: How do you guys not know you're all doing this? Do you not check with each other? Men in 2018 are waking up, going, "We need to find and isolate the problem." But the problem is everywhere! The killer is in the house.

Q: Maybe that includes an interview like this one. I could've called.

A: I'm not getting that feeling. I mean, are you on a sliding scale? Yeah, OK. But with #MeToo, this is what worries me. You're struggling to figure out what it is and what it isn't. And that makes me feel like I don't know what we're going to do with a problem this big.

Q: Does a true awakening seem possible?

A: I think the sticking point — and this is going to sound easy to dismiss, but you should sit with it for a second — is that men still don't see women as the same as them. They think they built society and we came along for the ride. It's not like women are all great; we're just as messed up as anyone. But we're here. Just like you.

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Slayer's ferocious farewell

Slayer, from Page 1

terror and fear of the unknown, yet also conveyed feelings of invincibility and freedom — thrilling sensations that resurfaced during the haunting "Seasons in the Abyss" and raging "Payback." "Hell Awaits" whipped by as a tornadic

blur amid an ominous backdrop of burning pyres and shooting flames.

In spite of the rapid tempos and chaotic bursts, Slayer made a majority of songs swing even as the band confronted provocative (and ever-relevant) topics such as lawlessness, conflict, ignorance, murder

and religion. "War Ensemble" grooved to a freight-train rhythm. The foreboding introductory passages to "Raining Blood" swiveled as they marched. "Dead Skin Mask" danced to a macabre melody and recurring tritones. "Jihad" employed harmonic scales and stag-

gered pacing en route to a fiery conclusion.

Not that obvious cracks didn't appear in Slayer's once-impenetrable armor. Bassist Tom Araya often curbed his vocals, his screams and howls diminished or absent. He also flubbed the lyrics to "Disciple" and appeared to share scant chemistry with his mates. A pair of newer songs — "Repentless" and "When the Stillness

Comes" — registered as formulaic imitations of classic Slayer. And without Hanneman and Lombardo, the band's machine-gun violence and surgical-strike accuracy slipped a notch.

Thankfully, Slayer could still count on guitarist Kerry King, whose muscular brawn, abundant tattoos and concrete block of a head functioned as imposing visual complements to the gut-checking sounds

emanating from his instrument. He played like an indefatigable machine, bridging thrash velocity and hardcore-punk abandon all the while executing with virtuosic dexterity and steely focus. Some things never change.

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WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Becca Kufirin

"The Bachelorette" (7 p.m., ABC): Though this franchise often claims to have its "most shocking twist ever," the recent "Bachelor" fate of Becca Kufirin — who got the final rose and a marriage proposal, only for said bachelor to decide later to pursue the runner-up again — met that qualification. It also set her up to become the person to do the choosing in this 14th round of the flip-side series, which starts as she meets those vying for her heart.

"Supergirl" (7 p.m., CW): While it may not be as shocking to those who know her comic-book roots, this is a stunner for Supergirl (Melissa Benoist): Not all of her home planet Krypton was demolished, as she discovers in the new episode "Dark Side of the Moon." Alex (Chyler Leigh) becomes the target of an assault while she's in Ruby's (guest star Emma Tremblay) company. Lena (Katie McGrath) has to make a big decision where Reign is concerned.

"Man With a Plan" (7:30 p.m., CBS): Adam (Matt LeBlanc) finds himself "Andi's Boyfriend," rather than her husband, in an episode by that title when he learns the minister who supposedly married them was a fake. Andi (Liza Snyder) doesn't know, and Adam tries to make things right before she does. Jonathan Adams ("Last Man Standing") guest stars, and Swoosie Kurtz returns in her recurring role. Kevin Nealon and Stacy Keach also star.

"iZombie" (8 p.m., CW): Liv (Rose McIver) is in need of a lot of help, and she gets it — from Clive, Ravi, Peyton and Major (Malcolm Goodwin, Rahul Kohli, Aly Michalka, Robert Buckley), who merge their efforts on her behalf — in the series' Season 4 finale, "And He Shall Be a Good Man," written by executive producer Rob Thomas. David Anders and Robert Knepper also star.

"Vanderpump Rules" (8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10:30 p.m., Bravo): For a new special episode called "Secrets Revealed," Lisa Vanderpump and several members of her cast join executive producer Andy Cohen for a provocative look back at Season 6, highlighted by previously unaired footage. Among the new revelations, Lisa finds out about Lala's financial arrangement with her wealthy boyfriend.

"The Crossing" (9:01 p.m., ABC): Jude (Steve Zahn) takes his chances in trying to get to the bottom of an alarming situation at the camp, after a questionable arrest is made, in the new episode "The Long Morrow." While Reece (Natalie Martinez) is taken captive, Naomi (guest star Josette Canillo) exerts major influence over Rebecca (Simone Kessell).

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Zach Galifianakis; Olympic snowboarder Jamie Anderson; They Might Be Giants performs.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Jimmy Fallon brings A-list guests, signature comedy bits and chart-topping music to late night.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Charlize Theron; filmmaker Ron Howard.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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BROADCAST	CBS 2	Mom ©	Man With a Plan ©	NCIS: New Orleans ©		Elementary: "Bits and Pieces." (N) ©		News (N) ▶	
	NBC 5			2018 Stanley Cup Final: Washington Capitals at Vegas Golden Knights. (N) (Live)				NBC 5 News (N) ▶	
	ABC 7			The Bachelorette: "1401." (Season Premiere) (N) ©		(9:01) The Crossing: "The Long Morrow." (N)		News at 10pm (N) ▶	
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N)		WGN News at Ten (N)	
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy	
	This TV 9.3	*(5) A Bridge Too Far (PG,77) *** Dirk Bogarde. ©				The Great Escape (NR,63) *** ©			
	PBS 11	A City at War: Chicago ©		Antiques Roadshow: "Newport." (N) ©		Going to War (N) ©		Independent Lens (N) ▶	
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		The Game	The Game	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©	
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith		Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett	
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ▶	
	Bounce 26.5	Living Single	Living Single	Madea's Family Reunion (PG-13,06) ** Tyler Perry.					
	FOX 32	Lucifer: "Boo Normal; Once Upon a Time." (N) ©				Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©	
	Ion 38	NCIS: Los Angeles ©		NCIS: Los Angeles ©		NCIS: Los Angeles ©		NCIS: LA ▶	
	Telem 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) ©		Al otro lado del muro (N)		El señor de los cielos (N)		Chicago (N)	
	CW 50	Supergirl (N) ©		iZombie (Season Finale) (N) ©		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU ▶	
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CABLE	AE	Casey Anthony's Parents Speak (N) ©				Cults Extreme (Series Premiere) (N)		Casey ▶	
	AMC	*(5) Independence Day		Story of Science (N)		Story of Science (Season Finale) (N)		Independ ▶	
	ANIM	The Lost Kingdom of the Yeti (N)				Weird, True & Freaky (Season Premiere) (N)		Monsters ▶	
	BBCA	*(4:30) Troy (R,04) ***		Top Gear: "Classic Trips & Builds." (N) ©				Troy *** ▶	
	BET	Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13,05) ** Kimberly Elise, Steve Harris.						Madea's ▶	
	BIGTEN	* College Baseball		Campus		College Baseball ▶			
	BRAVO	Vanderpump Rules ©		Vanderpump Rules (N)		Vanderpump Rules ©		Watch What	
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics	
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ▶	
	CNN	1968: "Spring." ©		1968: "Summer." (N) ©		1968: "Fall." (N) ©		1968 © ▶	
	COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office ▶	
	DISC	Street Outlaws: "Make My Cash Days." (Season Premiere) (N) ©		American Chopper (Season Premiere) (N) ©				Outlaws ▶	
	DISN	DuckTales	DuckTales	Gravity Falls	Gravity Falls	Andi Mack	Raven	Andi Mack	
	E!	* Wedding	Wedding Crashers (R,05) *** Owen Wilson, Vince Vaughn. ©					40 Year ▶	
	ESPN	* MLB Baseball: Giants at Rockies (N)				SportsCenter (N) (Live) ©		SportCtr (N)	
	ESPN2	Formula 1 Racing: Monaco Grand Prix. From Monte Carlo, Monaco.				Sports Shorts			
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	HALL	Unleashing Mr. Darcy (NR,16) Ryan Paevey. ©				The Middle		Golden Girls	
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	LIFE	Girl in the Bunker (NR,17) Julia Lalonde. ©				Elizabeth Shoaf (N)		Girl in ▶	
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	OWN	Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Sugar ▶	
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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (May 28): Your health, work and shared finances are revitalized this year. Discipline pays off. Maintain steady practices for long-term gain. A profitable venture this summer colors your view of an educational challenge before your creative expression flowers. Stash winter silver into family accounts.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Conditions are unsettled. Expand your perspective today and tomorrow. Slow to avoid traffic or accidents. Pause to enjoy the view. Discover hidden treasure.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. A beneficial financial development is in play. Double-check budgets and data. Don't shy away from big changes. Discuss possibilities with your partner.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Stick to what you've agreed. Work things out with your partner. Make long-term plans and visions. Words don't always come out as planned.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. An interesting development affects your work and health. New information challenges assumptions. Adapt practices to suit. Organize your efforts.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. You're irresistible. Unleash your creative talent. Romance and games take priority for the next two days. Words can mislead. Enchant someone you find enchanting.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Your home demands careful attention now. Update security on your electronic devices. Repairs could result in extra expenses. Do it right the first time.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. An intellectual challenge has your attention. Avoid gossip or complaining. A communications breakdown could slow the action. Convincing others requires tact.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Focus on making money for the next two days. Your ideas are attracting attention. Keep up with correspondence. Set favorable terms. Patiently persist.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. You're extra confident today and tomorrow. You can solve a puzzle. With strength, you gain options. Distractions cause mistakes.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 6. Peaceful privacy feeds your spirit. Review the past, and clarify your future vision. Nature and water restore you. Invent a game that inspires.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Schedule time with friends. Get expert assistance with a project. Avoid someone else's argument. Provide mutual support. Together, you can accomplish great things.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Career opportunities show up for the next two days. Avoid idle chatter and get productive with peace and privacy. Take advantage of an opening.

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Bliss



"Dad, for the last time, Ray and I are not being 'artsy-fartsy' — we're gay."

Bridge

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q ♥ K ♦ Q987432 ♣ A1065

As dealer, what call would you make?

A.1—11 high-card points and 7-4 shape is usually worth an opening bid at the one level. This hand, with two singleton honors, isn't. Bid three diamonds.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 10 6 5 3 ♥ J 10 5 ♦ 6 4 2 ♣ A Q J

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

A.2—The two major-suit 10's make this hand worth an acceptance, but to which game? Bid three spades, in case partner has four of them, and let partner decide.

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 10 ♥ K J 6 5 3 ♦ 10 5 ♣ A K Q 7 6

With the opponents passing, you open one heart and partner responds two diamonds, What call would you make?

A.3—"Breaking" the three level promises a little extra, and we think this hand delivers it. Bid three clubs.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A K Q 10 3 ♥ Q J ♦ Q 5 2 ♣ Q 8 2

As dealer, what call would you make?

A.4—Should you open one spade, you may never be able to show the strength of your hand. Open one no trump.

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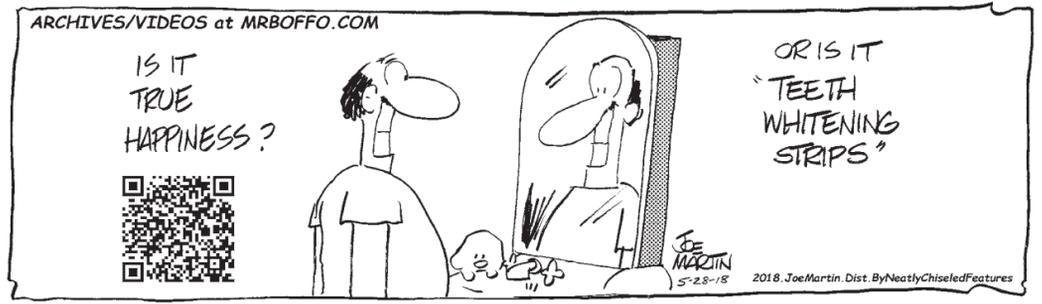
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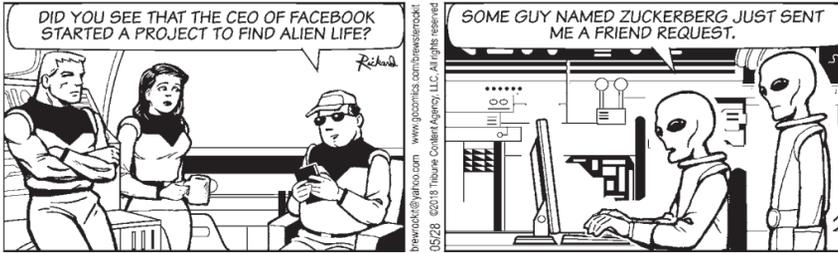
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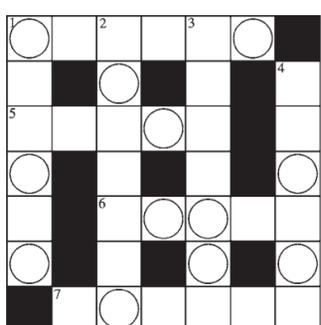
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Trivia Bits

The Tower Commission was assembled to review circumstances surrounding what 20th-century political scandal?
 A) Abscam
 B) Iran-Contra affair
 C) Savings and loan crisis
 D) Watergate
 Saturday's answer: Carved around 196 B.C., the Rosetta Stone bear inscriptions in Ancient Egyptian and Greek.
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Jumble Crossword



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 1. Type of songbird
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 6. Practice, custom
 7. ___ test

CLUE DOWN
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 2. Trainee, draftee
 3. ___ density
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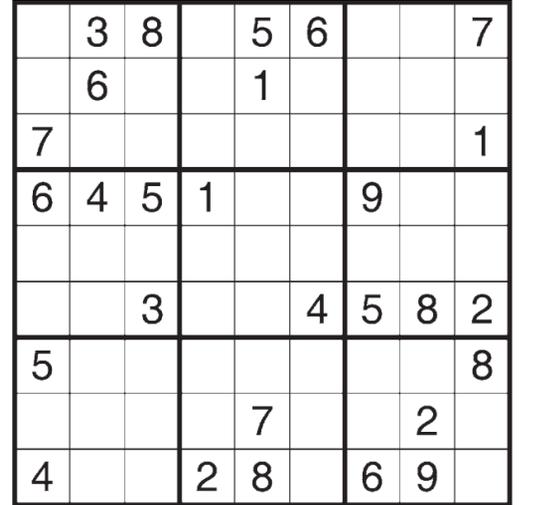
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 ETIURRC
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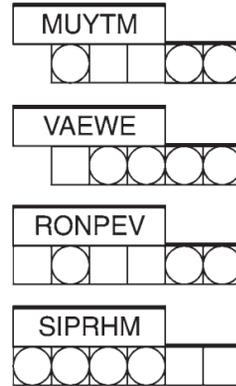


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7	2	9	3	4	5	6	1	8
3	1	4	6	8	9	5	7	2
2	6	8	1	9	7	4	5	3
5	4	7	8	3	2	1	6	9
1	9	3	4	5	6	8	2	7

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.
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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

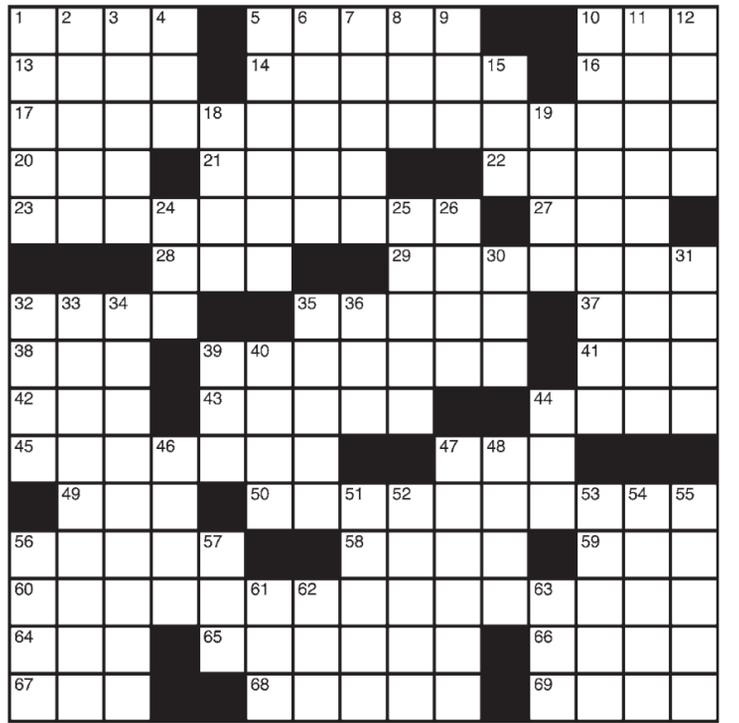


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Saturday's answers
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 Answer: To write down their golf scores, the cartoonist used — PEN STROKES
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Crossword

5/28



Across
 1 Emulated Pinocchio
 5 Gas and oil
 10 Puppy sound
 13 Charitable gift
 14 "How awful!"
 16 Artist Yoko
 17 Simon & Schuster, for example
 20 Sch. in Charlottesville
 21 Leave speechless
 22 Path around the sun
 23 Jimi Hendrix classic
 27 Longtime senator Kennedy
 28 Poetic "above"
 29 Like stretchy waistbands
 32 Spot on the tube
 35 Hitching post?
 37 Dove's call
 38 Rolled-up bunch of money

39 Acidity measurement range ... and where you'll find 17-, 23-, 50- and 60-Across?
 41 Sing with a closed mouth
 42 Memorable boxer
 43 Highways and byways
 44 Stinging insect
 45 Solarium
 47 CIA relative
 49 Series-ending abbr.
 50 Sort in compartments
 56 Mascara mishap
 58 Westernmost of the Aleutian Islands
 59 Chicken —
 60 One's cleanliness habits
 64 Young Skywalker's nickname
 65 Lighter filler
 66 Uncle Remus rabbit's title
 67 "Delish!"
 68 Ply with alcohol
 69 Shopping place

12 Frost or Browning
 15 Pi follower
 18 Cruise stop
 19 Disposal scraps
 24 Sci-fi escape vehicle
 25 Greek Zs
 26 Israeli airline
 30 Exist
 31 Give a free pass
 32 First word in Moore's Christmas poem
 33 Eatery list including 99-cent items
 34 For now, in Latin
 35 "Me too"
 36 PC monitor type
 39 Expert
 40 Hula —
 44 Sob syllable
 46 Early color TVs
 47 "Wait a bit longer"
 48 Like a bug in a rug
 51 Fancy parties
 52 Prefix with centric
 53 Rossini work
 54 No social butterfly
 55 Apply, as pressure
 56 Fix at the vet
 57 Knock over, as a bank
 61 Pencil remnant
 62 Had lunch
 63 PC pioneer

Saturday's solution



Down
 1 Drink from a bowl
 2 Candy heart words
 3 Imprison
 4 ISP alternative
 5 Kind of child or parent
 6 "Yup"
 7 Twin Cities suburb
 8 Novelist Deighton
 9 Hollywood's ___ Awards
 10 "Darn tootin!"
 11 Treacherously sneaky

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MONDAY, MAY 28 NORMAL HIGH: 74° NORMAL LOW: 52° RECORD HIGH: 95° (2012) RECORD LOW: 33° (1992)

Heat could hit a record high on Memorial Day

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 95 **LOW** 70

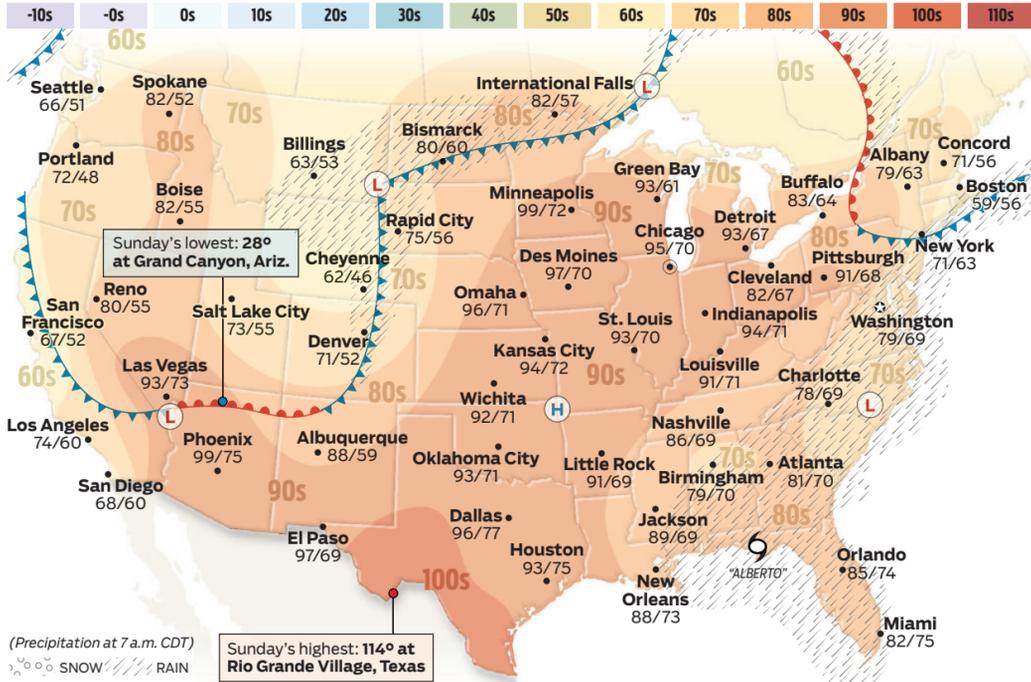
■ **Memorial Day.** It looks like a duplicate of Sunday's weather and another possible day of record highs. Air Quality Alert continues for much of the area.

■ Ample sunshine brings the city its third straight official 90 and possibly the warmest Memorial Day on record - the record 95 degrees was established back in 2012.

■ Heat indexes could approach 100° and with the sun high in the sky sunburn could occur in less than 20 minutes.

■ An easterly lake breeze could bring significant relief along Lake Michigan.

NATIONAL FORECAST



TUESDAY, MAY 29

HIGH 89 **LOW** 68

Partly sunny and not quite as hot - temperatures top out in the upper 80s. Southeast winds keep readings a bit lower along the Illinois lakeshore. Increasing and thickening clouds from the south overnight.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

HIGH 80 **LOW** 65

As the remnants of Alberto approach from the south, area skies will be mostly cloudy with showers and a few t-storms likely. Highs 80-85 inland and 70s lakeside. A good chance of showers/t-storms overnight.



THURSDAY, MAY 31

HIGH 85 **LOW** 64

More clouds than sun with showers likely. Continued warm with highs in the low to mid 80s - again cooler at the lakefront. Becoming partly cloudy overnight. Winds shift to the north/northwest.



FRIDAY, JUNE 1

HIGH 77 **LOW** 58

A mix of clouds and sun - a few light showers possible. Cooler and less humid with afternoon highs in the middle to upper 70s - even cooler at the lakefront. Clearing skies overnight. East to northeast winds.



SATURDAY, JUNE 2

HIGH 74 **LOW** 57

Partly sunny. Highs in the low to middle 70s - a brisk breeze out of the east keeps readings in the 60s along the lakefront. Increasing clouds overnight.



SUNDAY, JUNE 3

HIGH 76 **LOW** 62

Partly sunny and mild with highs in the middle 70s - an easterly breeze keeps temperatures in the upper 60s along the lakefront. Clouding up overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
Hot air rises, so a mountaintop should be warmer than the surrounding valleys, but this isn't the case. Mountaintops are always much cooler. Why?
— Tim Lindner, Ankeny, Iowa

Dear Tim,
It's certainly true that "hot air rises," but it's not as simple as that. Hot air at the same air pressure as cool air rises, but air pressure decreases as one goes upward.

Air pressure at 18,500 feet above sea level is half the sea level pressure. Air expands as it rises due to pressure decrease, and expansion causes a decrease in temperature: 5.4 degrees for every 1,000 feet of elevation increase in dry air.

Dry air with a temperature of 100 degrees at sea level will have a temperature of 0 degrees at 18,500 feet.

Saturated air decreases less, at about 3 degrees per 1,000 feet of elevation increase.

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Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



Record Chicago heat; Tropical Storm Alberto makes landfall

THE WARMEST HIGH TEMPS FOR THE LAST WEEK OF MAY ON RECORD

Top 10 warmest high temp averages May 25-31 in Chicago (1871-2018)

Rank	Temp	Year
1	89.3°*	(2018)
2	88.0°	(1978)
3	86.0°	(1991)
4	85.9°	(1944)
5	85.7°	(1977)
6	84.7°	(2006)
7	84.3°	(1987)
8	84.1°	(2010)
9	84.0°	(1914)
10	83.0°	(1988)

*Forecast **Ties record for the date (2012) ***95° ties record high temp for date and for Memorial Day

ALBERTO'S RAINFALL FORECAST

7 a.m. Sunday - 7 a.m. Wednesday (CDT)
5-10 inches hits coast and extends north into the mainland, with 1"+ for southern Illinois/Indiana

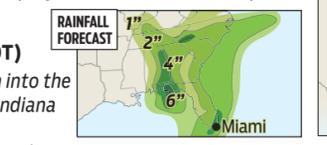
SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY "Rex blocking pattern"

Chicago is positioned under high pressure while Tropical Storm "Alberto" is steered north under this blocking pattern aloft



Most system movement south-north (Very little west-east movement)



ALBERTO'S STORM TRACK

Chicago in "cone of uncertainty" Wednesday into Thursday
Alberto moves north out of Gulf of Mexico into the Ohio Valley/Great Lakes region; remnant low pressure to pass through/east of Chicago area



CHICAGO DIGEST

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	96	64	Midway	96	72
Gary	93	66	O'Hare	97	70
Kankakee	96	65	Romeoville	91	68
Lakefront	na	na	Valparaiso	97	68
Lansing	94	67	Waukegan	91	62

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Saturday	0.00"	0.12"
Month to date	7.31"	3.20"
Year to date	17.95"	12.60"

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS	2018	NORMAL
7 a.m.	1 hour, 56 minutes	
1 p.m.*	17 minutes	
4 p.m.	48 minutes	

MONDAY	TUESDAY
Wind	5-10 kts. ESE 10-18 kts.
Waves	Less than 1 ft. 1-2 feet
Sun. shore/crib water temps	58°/52°

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	High
Grass	High
Mold	High
Ragweed	0
Weed	Low

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Court, Dr. Joseph Leija

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Sunday's reading Unhealthy
Monday's forecast Unhealthy
Critical pollutant Ozone

SUN	5:20 p.m.	8:16 p.m.
Moon	7:23 p.m.	5:05 a.m.

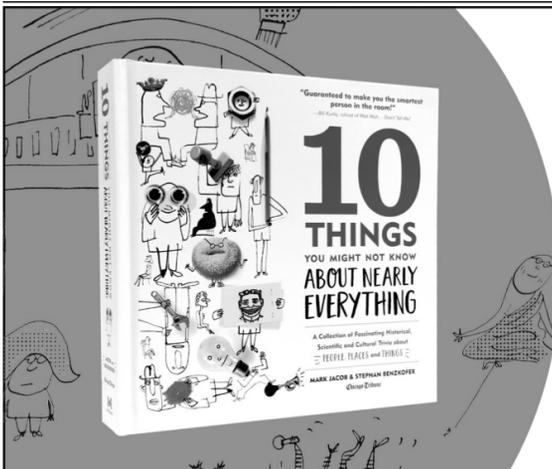


May 29 June 6 June 13 June 20

MONDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	4:51 a.m.	7:24 p.m.
Venus	7:32 a.m.	10:56 a.m.
Mars	12:17 a.m.	9:35 a.m.
Jupiter	6:14 p.m.	4:28 a.m.
Saturn	10:21 p.m.	7:38 a.m.

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College



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SUV REVIEW



Buick Enclave Avenir: New level of luxury

There's no debate that Buick is exploring the future of luxury with its 2018 Enclave Avenir. After all, Avenir is French for future.

The midsize crossover SUV is the first in the lineup to get the Avenir luxury designation, which means unique styling cues, more standard features and upscale touches throughout. The redesigned, second-gen Enclave is longer and roomier, too.

Enclave's overdue redesign makes it arguably one of the best-looking crossovers on the road, with its rounded edges and lower roofline. A black mesh grille gives Avenir a more premium look and the 20-inch six-spoke wheels don't hurt, either. All interiors have chestnut wood with ebony accents.

There's one engine available. GM's 3.6-liter V-6 was upgraded for 2018 and puts out 310 horsepower — a 22-hp boost — and 266 pound-feet of torque, which proved more than ample even when climbing hills even with several passengers and cargo aboard.

A new 9-speed transmission distributes the power to two or all four wheels. And, for the first time, Enclave can get a twin-clutch all-wheel-drive system (a \$2,300 option) that can be switched on with the push of a button on the dash.

Enclave feels lighter on its feet than its curb weight of 4,358 pounds might suggest. Acceleration to 60 mph is a full second quicker this year, at 6.4 seconds. Handling is competent even while cutting tight curves.

On the open road, Avenir is smooth, quiet and comfortable thanks to a dynamic suspension system that actively makes adjustments depending on road conditions. It is impressive as it effectively keeps bumps and dips in check.

While the Enclave's longer and wider body translates to more headroom, legroom and cargo space, it's the upscale look and feel that makes Avenir's cabin a special place. It starts with ultra-comfy heated/cooled and ventilated front seats — heated seats in the second row, too.

The thick padded dash feels rich, and the controls and dials are easy to reach and operate.

The rear-view mirror can convert to camera for a view without backseat passengers' heads in the way. And GM's best infotainment screen includes navigation and the goodies that come via Apple CarPlay and Android Auto.

Dual moon roofs, powered in front and fixed in the rear, introduce warmth, daylight or starlight into the three-row, 7-passenger cabin. Good vibes emanate from an upgraded 10-speaker Bose audio system.

The Enclave also has better cargo space than most three-row SUVs: 23 cubic feet behind the third row, 58 with the third row folded down (just push a button), and a cavernous 97 cubic feet with both the second and third rows folded.

Enter the cargo area with the swipe of a foot under the bumper — and you won't lose balance searching for the right spot: A lighted Buick logo shines on the ground to show you just where to swipe. Nice touch, Buick.

Avenir gets Surround View camera standard, plus lane change and blind spot alerts. Optional is a safety-technology package (\$2,095) which adds adaptive cruise control.

— *Barry Spyker, Tribune News Service*

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Vehicle Price: \$56,200 (with Technology Package, \$2,095)
What's all the excitement about? Buick's redesigned Enclave is first to wear the new Avenir luxury badge
Powertrain: 3.6-liter V-6 produces 310 horsepower, a 22-hp boost over last year
How's the performance? Quiet and smooth with an adaptive suspension that makes adjustments based on road conditions
What about fuel economy? EPA-rated at 18 mpg city, 26 highway, for a combined 21 mpg

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