



Trump: Summit with Kim back on

Top N. Korean aide hands letter from leader to president

BY ELI STOKOLS AND NOAH BIERMAN
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Friday declared that his on-and-off summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in Singapore is on again, even as he tried to move away from his previous suggestions that a quick deal could be hatched during the unprecedented meeting less than two weeks from now.

“We’ll see where it leads, but we’re going to meet June 12,” Trump said after meeting for more than an hour with one of Kim’s top

deputies in the Oval Office.

“I think it’ll be a process,” Trump continued. “I never said it goes in one meeting. I said it’d be a process.”

But Trump, in previous comments, had suggested that a single summit meeting could lead to a dramatic breakthrough — a “great celebration” of an agreement to end North Korea’s nuclear arsenal. Most outside analysts and government experts believed those comments set unrealistic goals.

In addition to lowering expectations for the meeting, Trump de-emphasized the U.S. connection to Asia in a way that reversed

language used by his predecessors for decades and was sure to rattle U.S. allies.

“We’re 6,000 miles away,” Trump said. “That’s their neighborhood; it’s not our neighborhood,” he said, emphasizing that Japan and South Korea, not the U.S., would have to bear the major cost of any reconstruction of North Korea’s economy.

Last week, Trump had announced he was canceling the summit because of “hostile” North Korean statements. Friday’s tableau, unimaginable a few months

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North Korean adviser Kim Yong Chol and President Donald Trump are all business after their Oval Office meeting Friday at the White House.

CPS chief reacts to sex abuse findings: ‘Sick to my stomach’

Tribune investigation into educator misconduct prompts vows to fix child-protection shortfalls

BY DAVID JACKSON, GARY MARX, JUAN PEREZ JR. AND JENNIFER SMITH RICHARDS
Chicago Tribune

In a burst of tweets Friday morning, Chicago schools CEO Janice Jackson said she was “sick to my stomach” to learn of the Chicago Tribune’s investigative findings on sexual violence against CPS students.

Jackson praised students and recent graduates for speaking out in the articles about their experiences of being abused by school employees.

“I want to acknowledge the victims and thank them for their bravery,” she said in one of the tweets, which began about 7 a.m., shortly after the Tribune series “Betrayed” was launched on the newspaper’s website.

“To all Chicago parents: I will

not stop. I will not rest. I will not be satisfied until I’m confident that the district is doing everything in our power to protect our children,” Jackson wrote.

In a separate action Friday, two state lawmakers announced that they would begin crafting legislation to address state child-protection shortfalls identified by the Tribune.

State Rep. David McSweeney, R-Barrington Hills, and Sen. Thomas Cullerton, D-Villa Park, said they would lead a bipartisan effort to criminalize sexual contact between a school employee and a student, regardless of age. Unlike other states, it is not a crime in Illinois for a teacher to have sex with a student who is 18 or older.

The legislators also said they

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Lawsuit over wrongful conviction quietly ends

Northwestern, ex-prof admit no wrongdoing in their investigation

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

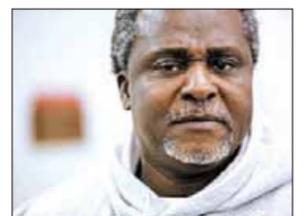
A federal lawsuit against Northwestern University and former star professor David Protess over one of the most controversial wrongful conviction cases in Illinois history has been quietly settled.

Alstory Simon accused Protess and his team of conspiring to free death row inmate Anthony Porter and to convict Simon for an infamous 1982 double murder.

Lawyers for all three parties had been in discussions for weeks. On Friday, they filed a one-page stipulation to dismiss the case. The amount of the settlement agreement — which still needs to be approved by a judge — was not disclosed.

Terry Ekl, the lead attorney for Simon, said in a statement that a “confidentiality clause prevents the parties from commenting on the terms of the settlement.” The lawsuit had sought \$40 million.

Protess’ attorney, Matthew Piers, said Friday that his client admitted no wrongdoing in the settlement and stood by his work in the Simon investigation, which he still believes proves Simon’s guilt. But with his legal fees mounting, Protess ultimately agreed to resolve the case because the expense of the litigation was “killing him,” Piers said.



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Alstory Simon, top, shown in 2014, settled his lawsuit against Northwestern University and David Protess, shown in 2011.

“He is a retired guy, he doesn’t have a lot of means,” Piers said. “But he is proud of the work he did on this case. ... He believed that he acted absolutely appropriately.”

Northwestern released a short statement Friday saying only that it was “pleased” with the settlement and had admitted no wrongdoing.

In addition to the settlement with Northwestern and Protess, Simon also filed a motion to dismiss claims against private investigator Paul Ciolino, who worked for Protess and obtained

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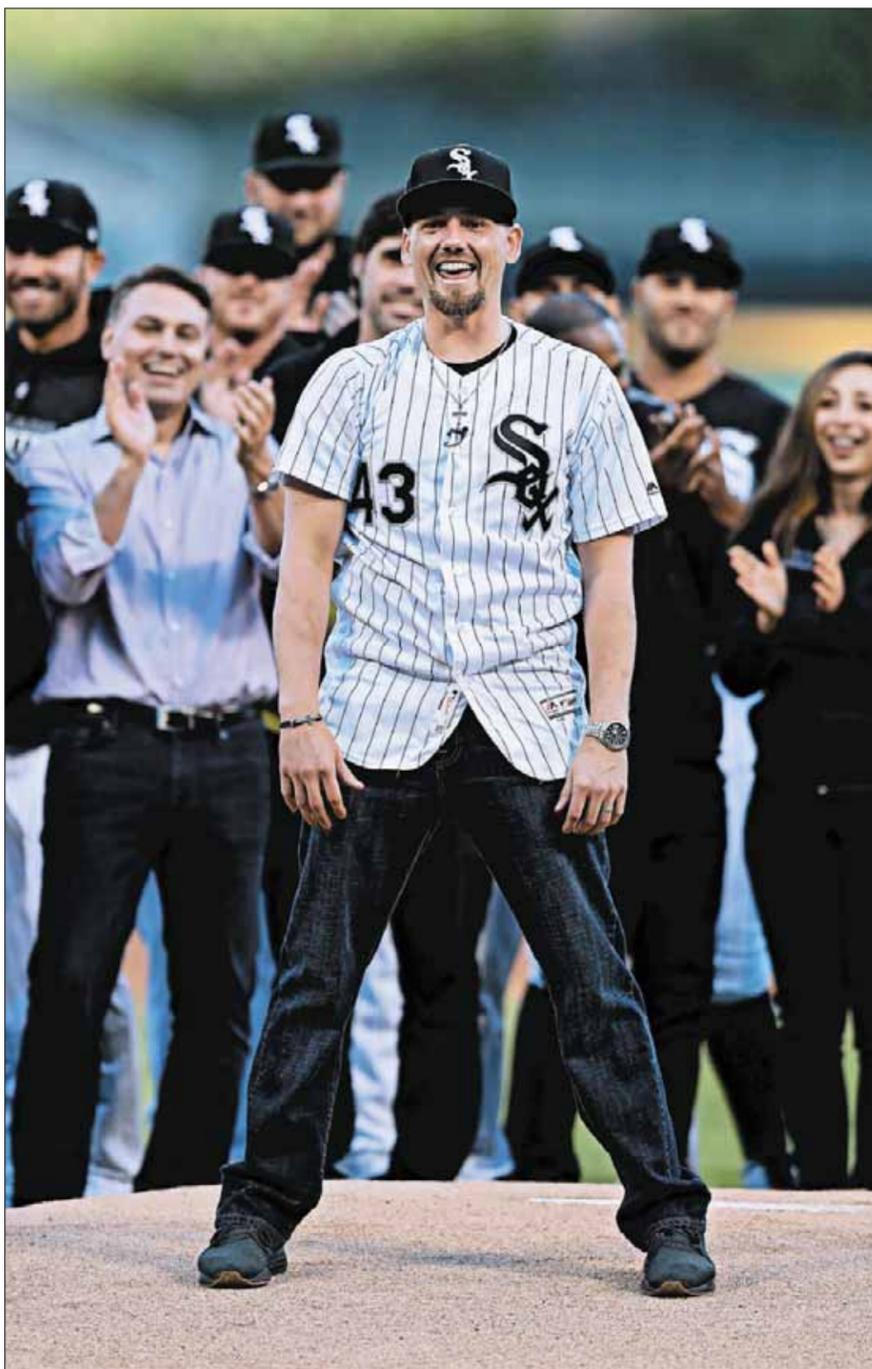
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Danny Farquhar flashes a smile after throwing the ceremonial first pitch before Friday’s Sox game.

The greatest pitch of his life

Six weeks after brain hemorrhage, Sox’s Farquhar thrills team by taking mound for ceremonial toss

BY PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

Smiling as if he had just gotten the last out in the World Series, Danny Farquhar returned to the mound at Guaranteed Rate Field on Friday night, six weeks after suffering a life-threatening brain hemorrhage in the White Sox dugout.

Farquhar was surrounded by teammates, the neurosurgeons who operated on him and his support team from Rush University Medical Center when he threw a ceremonial first pitch to teammate Nate Jones before the Sox played host to the Brewers.

It was the first time he has thrown a ball since retiring the Astros’ Josh Reddick on a

changeup on April 20.

“I knew Nate Jones would help me out with anything,” Farquhar said. “He would dive if he had to so that ball didn’t hit the ground. I wanted the challenge of throwing it. It was special. ... Just being out there, I feel very, very fortunate. I saw people with brain issues in the ICU. It’s very humbling to be in the ICU.”

Farquhar spent 2½ weeks in intensive care before being released May 7. He has resumed light workouts but won’t pitch again this season. But it’s clear that he already has his smile back, if not yet his fastball.

“Our whole life he has been a smiler,” said Lexie Farquhar, his wife. “He has such a great personality and such a great

light about him.”

Farquhar collapsed in the dugout shortly after he had faced four Astros hitters, with mixed results, in the sixth inning that Friday in April. It initially appeared he might have suffered a seizure, but he was unresponsive, requiring oxygen as he was being placed on a gurney and wheeled away by the EMT crew that took him to the hospital for emergency surgery.

Manager Rick Renneria was one of the first people to get to Farquhar in the dugout. He and his players initially were shaken but subsequently relieved when Farquhar was released from the hospital. They were thrilled to see him back at the ballpark.

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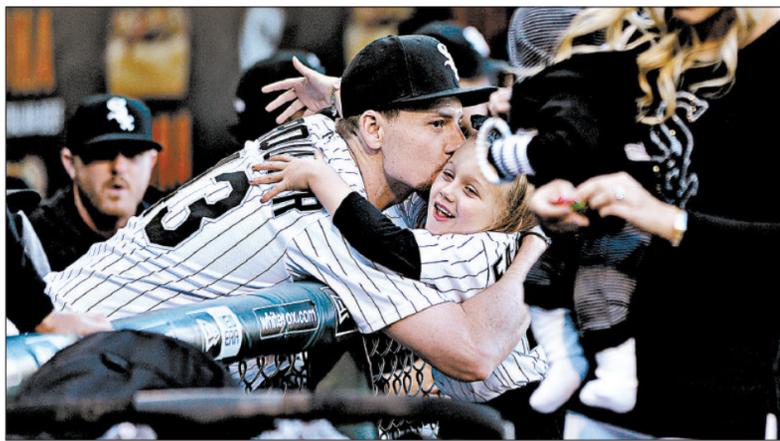
Making greatest pitch of his life

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"It's miraculous when you think about it," Renteria said. "But he has had the greatest of care, and he's a very driven individual. It's not surprising he's out there. We're all happy for him."

Farquhar has no recollection of collapsing. He says his last memory from April 20 is walking to the bullpen before the game began. He doesn't remember anything else until waking up in the ICU five days later, he said.

Farquhar, who was signed after the Rays released him last July, has made 23 appearances for the Sox. He has been a rank-and-file reliever throughout a seven seasons in the big leagues, pitching for four teams after the Blue Jays picked him in the 10th round of the 2008 draft.



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Danny Farquhar has some fun with his family before taking the mound Friday night.

Farquhar, 31, grew up in Florida but launched his pro career after pitching for Louisiana-Lafayette.

"As you can tell, he's a fighter," said Jones, his closest friend on the team. "He has worked hard to get where he's at, and he doesn't want to lose that. That really has helped him out in this process, for sure."

Farquhar appeared Friday on "Good Morning America," his first public appearance since the aneu-

rysm. He says he hopes to pitch in the major leagues again but knows nothing is guaranteed.

He is thankful for much these days, including having more time with Lexie and their three children.

"When you wake up in a hospital with 20 some staples in your head, a drain coming out the other side, you have no memories, it puts life in perspective about how quickly it can change," Farquhar said.

"You're 31 years old and you think everything's fine, and it could have turned so quickly. You really learn to appreciate your wife and kids so much more. ...

"One day we're all going to (die), but you would like it not to be young as I am with three kids, one 6 months old. You look at everybody differently."

Phil Rogers is a freelance reporter for the Chicago Tribune.

Suit against NU, ex-prof settled

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Simon's controversial confession that landed him in prison and led to charges against Porter being dismissed.

The resolution of the lawsuit short of trial could mean there will never be a full public airing of evidence in a case that had wide-ranging implications on the state's criminal justice system — including the abolition of the death penalty.

The settlement occurred before Simon could be deposed, and much of the other discovery in the case remains sealed by a protective order, records show.

Reached by phone, Ciolino's attorney, Jennifer Bonjean, called the secrecy surrounding the settlement "appalling."

"They clearly don't want the truth to come out," said Bonjean, adding that she's also been kept in the dark on the settlement figure. "They want to stop discovery, and they don't want to litigate."

Ciolino has a defamation lawsuit pending in Cook County Circuit Court alleging pro-police lawyers and advocates destroyed his reputation and career in a "swift boat" plot to undermine Protes's work.

Protes, 72, taught investigative reporting at Northwestern's journalism school and founded the Medill Innocence Project, which under his tutelage contributed to the exoneration of 11 wrongfully convicted men, five of whom were on death row.

He left the school in 2011 amid controversy over tactics allegedly employed by his students during an investigation into the murder conviction of Anthony McKinney, including lying about their identities and flirting with witnesses. Amid

pressure from the Cook County state's attorney's office, university officials concluded Protes had misled them about what information he'd shared with McKinney's attorneys — accusations that Protes called "entirely disingenuous."

The falling-out eventually led to Protes announcing he was leaving Northwestern to found his own innocence project.

Simon's lawsuit alleged Protes and Ciolino manufactured bogus evidence, coaxed false statements from witnesses and intimidated Simon into confessing to the August 1982 murders of Jerry Hillard and Marilyn Green in a South Side park.

The confession — and Porter's eventual release from prison — helped spur then-Gov. George Ryan to halt executions, a step toward the abolition of the death penalty in Illinois in 2011.

The case was again updated in 2014, when Cook County prosecutors agreed to throw out Simon's conviction, citing questions about the methods used to obtain his confession.

But in yet another twist, an internal memo obtained by the Tribune last year showed that then-State's Attorney Anita Alvarez had disregarded results of a yearlong investigation by her top deputies when she decided to free Simon.

In the memo, which has never been released publicly, Assistant State's Attorneys Fabio Valentini and Joseph Magats said they had concluded there was not sufficient evidence to warrant setting Simon free.

Alvarez gave a sworn deposition as part of the Simon case earlier this year that remains under seal.

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Schools CEO reacts to sexual abuse findings

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would push for stricter timetables and greater transparency in teacher discipline cases handled by the State Board of Education.

The Tribune reported that the state board often took years to suspend or revoke the licenses of educators found to have committed sexual misconduct. In most cases, details about the educator's misconduct are not made public by the board.

"This is common sense to protect students, and it just disgusted me reading the stories," McSweeney said. "I would expect this type of legislation to have broad, bipartisan support."

He said legislation likely will be drafted within two weeks and could be introduced as early as the November veto session. McSweeney said other mea-

sures may be considered as well, given the extent of the problem.

The Tribune's investigation, scheduled to run in print beginning Sunday, found more than 500 Chicago police reports of sexual assault or abuse of students inside city schools during the last decade. An examination of more than 100 of those cases revealed instances where school officials failed repeatedly to protect students.

When students summoned the courage to disclose abuse, teachers and principals failed to alert child welfare investigators or police despite the state's mandated reporter law, the Tribune found.

Even in cases where school employees acted swiftly, they subjected young victims to repeated interrogations, inflicting more psychological pain

and defying basic principles intended to preserve the integrity of an investigation.

Ineffective background checks exposed students to educators with criminal convictions and arrests for sex crimes against children. And CPS failed to disclose to other districts that former employees had resigned after investigators found credible evidence of abuse and harassment.

In an email to CPS staff and on her Twitter feed and the district's website, Jackson also shared a four-page "Plan of Action" that outlined steps the district is taking to ensure "the safety and well-being of our students." She previously had shared those responses with the Tribune.

Jackson said in her tweets that the district also has hired a prominent law firm and former state inspector general to conduct a

systemic review of the school district's response to sexual misconduct "to ensure that this never happens again."

Schiff Hardin LLP and firm partner Maggie Hickey will be paid up to \$500,000 for the firm's work, which will include what CPS described as a review of "all practices, policies, and procedures for addressing instances of alleged sexual misconduct, harassment or abuse."

Hickey once served as a top state inspector general under Gov. Bruce Rauner and is a former assistant U.S. attorney. She now helps lead Schiff Hardin's white-collar defense and government investigation practices.

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Life in prison for Black Souls gang leaders

6 sentenced for Chicago drug operation, murders in major test of state's RICO law

BY ROSEMARY SOBOL
Chicago Tribune

In a major test of the state's tough anti-racketeering law, six gang leaders were sentenced to life in prison Friday for running a murderous drug operation on the West Side.

The sentences were handed down after emotional testimony from Saria Campbell, whose son Claude Snulligan was killed after he agreed to cooperate with police in their investigation of the gang's drug market in 2012.

"I think about my baby every day," she told Judge Michael McHale as her husband bowed his head, wrung his hands and quietly cried.

Addressing the gang lead-

ers, Campbell added, "My son will always be a hero."

One of them, Teron Odum, insisted he was innocent but offered a muted apology. Looking at Campbell and her family, he said, "My condolences. I was wrongfully convicted. I guess I am sorry for your loss."

Snulligan's father stared at him.

The six members of the Black Souls were convicted late last year on conspiracy charges under the state's Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, modeled after the federal law to give police and prosecutors a more powerful tool against violent street gangs. It was the first such case tried in Cook County.

The jury found Odum

and another leader, Cornel Dawson, responsible for Snulligan's slaying and three other murders between 2002 and 2013. Odum and Dawson and the other four — Duavon Spears, Antwan Davis, Clifton Lemon and Ulysses Polk — were found guilty of racketeering conspiracy and drug conspiracy.

All but Spears are related, according to prosecutors.

The six sat next to each other wearing short-sleeved beige jail clothes with white long-sleeved shirts underneath. They were mostly attentive, but a few chatted and giggled or smiled and yawned.

Before the judge announced Dawson's sentence, the gang leader told the court, "Bless you all," and sat down.

Assistant Cook County State's Attorney Yvette Loizon said Dawson "called

the shots" on "insanely violent murders." As he was led away by two sheriff's officers, Dawson slowly walked past the judge and turned to look at him, shaking his head.

Davis, reading from a notepad, mentioned a promise from God and said "a man tries and tries" to build a perfect life. "He never quits."

After the prosecutor described how Lemon had "handed over the shovel" to dig a victim's grave, he rose and told the court, "God bless you all." He shook his head when the judge handed down the sentence and thanked him.

After the hearing, Campbell said her son was a hero because he wouldn't be paid off by the gang. "Where he lived, they would sell drugs on the porch," she said. "Now the kids can go out and play again." Snulligan's murder was

at the heart of the prosecution's case.

In 2012, Snulligan had been robbed and brutally beaten by Odum and other gang members, according to court records. The Black Souls offered Snulligan money to sign an affidavit denying his beating claims, but Snulligan instead cooperated with police, letting them listen in on the bribery-related conversations, court records allege.

A few months later, Snulligan was shot in the back of the head near the corner of Madison Street and Pulaski Road in Black Souls territory. Prosecutors alleged Spears was the gunman. "He put a bullet in Snulligan," Loizon said. "He had no shame in doing it."

In another murder linked to the gang, the leaders allegedly ordered the killing of a lower-level drug dealer accused of stealing from

them, then buried him upside-down in a West Side gangway. His body was not found for months.

More than 100 witnesses testified during nearly two months of the trial, including police, gang members and a lifelong drug dealer who secretly recorded hundreds of hours of conversations with the defendants.

Prosecutors said the Black Souls operated its drug empire near Monroe Street and Pulaski Road in the West Garfield Park neighborhood in a fashion similar to a legitimate business, with marketing schemes and employees working in shifts.

"It's right out of a movie," Assistant Cook County State's Attorney John Maher told the jury during closing arguments last December.

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NOT A TYPICAL PAINT JOB

Workers on Friday repaint the skeleton cast of a titanosaur named Maximo, a new arrival now on view at Stanley Hall at Chicago's Field Museum. Maximo, the showpiece that kicked Sue the *T. rex* out of the main room to the former 3D theater, stretches 122 feet from head to tail and 28 feet from floor toward the ceiling. It is modeled on the remains of a titanosaur excavated in Argentina; the dinosaur is a plant eater that many believe to be the largest land animal ever.

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Friends find body near where man fell into river

BY TESSA WEINBERG
AND ELVIA MALAGON
Chicago Tribune

Friends of a boater who disappeared Monday, prompting a search that left a Fire Department diver dead, located a body in the South Branch of the Chicago River on Friday while searching for the missing man, they said.

The body was spotted in the river west of Damen Avenue about 1:15 p.m. Friday, and the group called 911, a law enforcement source confirmed. The body was found between the shore and a barge, according to the source.

Clothing on the body appeared to match that worn by Alberto Lopez, 28, who fell off a boat Monday night into the river near Ashland Avenue. During the ensuing search, Fire Department diver Juan Bucio died.

The identity of the person whose body was found Friday had not yet been confirmed, but friends said they believe it to be Lopez.

"We recognized him right away," said Ricardo Sanchez, 19. "We didn't believe it. We kept trying to



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Police officers inspect the body of a man pulled from the South Branch of the Chicago River on Friday.

make sure it was him. The waves pushed up the water and we'd seen ... his clothes and we'd seen his face, and we knew it was him."

"It felt really bad seeing him there," said Fernando Reyes, brother of Marco Reyes, who owned the boat Lopez fell from.

Fernando Reyes, 33, said his brother was driving the boat when Lopez fell off Monday and that he had already left the scene.

"He's still traumatized," he said of his brother.

Lopez's family and friends were not happy with official efforts to look for the body, leading them to organize their own search.

"We had to do it ourselves," Sanchez said. "So we went out and we started looking for him."

Members of the search party used Marco Reyes' boat in an effort that began

Thursday. They set out again early Friday.

A police spokeswoman said Friday morning that the marine unit was expected to continue the search for Lopez's body Friday.

As police gathered around the retrieved body Friday afternoon, about 10 of Lopez's friends watched nervously from the sidewalk of the Eleanor Boat-house at Park 571 that was cordoned off.

Reyes said the body would be identified by police at the morgue. After that, he said, Lopez's loved ones plan to send the body back to Mexico, where Lopez's fiancée lives with their three kids.

"She was very depressed," Reyes said of Lopez's fiancée.

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Family of man who died in bar fight awarded \$1M

BY PAIGE FRY
Chicago Tribune

Four years after a Palatine man died of a punch to the head, members of his family cried and embraced Friday afternoon when a jury returned a verdict awarding them just over \$1 million.

The jury's decision, reached after three hours of deliberation, was far less than the \$20 million the family of Ryan Flannigan sought. But the family's attorney, Michael Sorich, insisted it wasn't about money.

"They just wanted answers for their son's death, and I think the jury proved that (defendant) Michael Platt was ultimately responsible and he was held accountable for his conduct," Sorich said.

Flannigan, 26, died 10 days after being punched by Platt on July 18, 2014. Platt was found not guilty of first-degree murder in June 2015 after a trial in which his attorneys argued their client did not intend to kill or seriously injure Flannigan. Jurors were not given the choice of finding Platt guilty of a lesser crime.

Platt's attorney, Scott Barber, said following the verdict that his client acted in self-defense and that the



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Michael Platt was found not guilty of murder in the 2014 death of Ryan Flannigan.

jury was swayed by Platt's criminal record.

"I don't think (those convictions) had anything (with the Flannigan case) other to do than make him look like a bad guy," Barber said.

In his closing argument, Sorich told jurors that "this is a case about being held accountable for one's actions."

He said that even if Platt didn't intend to kill Flannigan, he did intend to hurt him. And after the punch, Platt walked away and said, "He's still on the (expletive) ground," Sorich told the jury.

He noted that Platt is a two-time convicted felon — on drug and theft charges —

and had originally lied to police and detectives when questioned about the incident. Sorich worked to undermine Platt's argument of self-defense by saying that Platt was the only person who claimed that Flannigan lifted his arms as if he was preparing to punch Platt. Witnesses earlier in the trial testified Flannigan lifted his arms but was not about to throw a punch.

Barber said during his closing arguments that while the event was tragic, it stemmed from the drunken and obnoxious actions of Flannigan's group of friends at Pop's Bar and Grill. They confronted a physically disabled friend of Platt's, and Platt moved to defend his pal, Barber said.

After the verdict was announced, Debra Flannigan, Ryan Flannigan's mother, said, "We're very happy that justice has finally been served. That's all."

Her husband, Tim Flannigan, added, "We were able to finally, after four years, get the results that was justified — that Ryan should've got the first time around."

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AR-15 rifles are banned under the village of Deerfield's ban, which is set to take effect June 13.

Restraining order against ban sought by gun groups

Assault weapons ordinance to take effect in 2 weeks

BY KAREN BERKOWITZ
Pioneer Press

Gun-rights advocacy groups are asking a Lake County Circuit Court judge to bar the village of Deerfield from enforcing its ban on assault weapons that is scheduled to kick in June 13.

The ordinance enacted April 2 by the Deerfield Village Board gives residents until June 13 to turn in any guns that fit the village's definition of assault weapons, remove them from the village or modify the guns so they're no longer considered assault weapons. The ordinance empowers the town's police chief to confiscate the assault weapons of anyone charged under the ordinance.

Owners found in violation can be fined up to \$1,000 a day, according to the ordinance.

Two lawsuits were filed in April challenging the ordinance on various grounds, including a claim that the ordinance deprives gun owners of property they are legally entitled to possess. The plaintiffs in both lawsuits are asking for a temporary restraining order to block Deerfield from enforcing the ban until the court can hear their arguments for a permanent injunction.

A hearing to consider the restraining order motions is set for Friday, just days before the ban is set to take effect.

"The fast-approaching compliance date compels plaintiffs to seek more immediate and intermediate

relief until this matter can be fully heard on the merits," attorney David Sigale said in a petition on behalf of Deerfield gun owner Daniel Easterday, the Illinois State Rifle Association and the Second Amendment Foundation.

Sigale's petition notes that Deerfield residents in possession of the those weapons face prosecution, confiscation and destruction of their property and hefty monetary fines.

"This causes significant harm to the plaintiffs in the form of loss of property rights and criminal penalties," Sigale wrote in the petition.

Easterday attested that he would possess a semi-automatic rifle and large-capacity magazines in his home for self-defense and sporting purposes but for the Deerfield ordinance.

"I refrain from doing so because I fear confiscation of my property, as well as prosecution," Easterday said in the affidavit.

His lawsuit is asking a Lake County judge to strike down the Deerfield ordinance primarily on the grounds that Illinois law pre-empts local municipalities from enacting bans that were not in effect as of July 19, 2013.

Deerfield officials have characterized the assault weapons ban as an amendment to an earlier ordinance that was approved within the permitted time frame, and that the state's Firearm Concealed Carry Act specifically allows future amendments.

Both lawsuits claim the ban is not merely an amendment to the earlier ordinance that defined assault weapons and required

safe storage and transportation within the village.

The second court challenge — which is supported by the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislation Action, according to an NRA news release — makes additional arguments. The suit, filed by Guns Save Life and Deerfield gun owner John William Wombacher III, asserts that Deerfield's ban amounts to taking property without compensation, in violation of the Illinois Constitution and the Eminent Domain Act.

In an affidavit, Wombacher attested that he owns an AR-15, one of the banned weapons, and believes "it is a very good firearm for self-defense and can also be used for hunting."

He said he will be irreparably harmed and deprived of his right to possess commonly owned firearms for in-home self-defense and hunting under the Deerfield ordinance.

The Guns Save Life lawsuit also is asking the court to find that the Deerfield ordinance does not ban possession of large-capacity magazines that aren't affixed to an assault weapon, contrary to a village news release.

In the ordinance, the definition of an assault weapon includes, among others, semiautomatic rifles that have a fixed magazine with a capacity to accept more than 10 rounds of ammunition; shotguns with a revolving cylinder; and semiautomatic pistols and rifles that can accept large-capacity magazines and possess one of a list of other features. Among the dozens of spe-

cific models cited are the AR-15, AK-47 and Uzi, according to the ordinance.

The village of Deerfield included its rationale for amending the earlier ordinance to ban assault weapons within the law itself. The ordinance says that in the past five years, "assault weapons have been increasingly used in an alarming number of notorious mass shooting incidents at public schools, public venues, places of worship and places of public accommodation."

The ordinance specifically mentions the deaths of 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in February; the fatal shooting of 26 people at the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas; the 58 people killed at the music festival in Las Vegas in the fall and the 49 people killed at the Pulse nightclub in Orlando, Fla.

The Deerfield ordinance also notes that state and federal authorities have failed to regulate the possession, manufacture and sale of assault weapons. The ordinance says the local ban may increase the public's sense of safety in public places and deter a mass shooting within village, notwithstanding objections that other weapons are available and a local ban is difficult to enforce.

The ordinance said the ban also may "increase the public's sense of safety by effecting a cultural change which communicates the normative value that assault weapons should have no role or purpose in civil society in the Village of Deerfield."

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College leaders relieved at quick Ill. budget resolution

BY DAWN RHODES
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Illinois' budget agreement this week proved welcome news to public university leaders, who were spared from entering a fourth school year without assured funding from Springfield.

The state budget deal overwhelmingly passed both chambers of the legislature with bipartisan support, marking the first time since 2014 that Springfield has finalized a budget before the start of the fiscal year. Rauner indicated he will endorse the spending plan for 2018-19.

State universities each will receive about 2 percent more for operations starting in July. The increases are slightly less than what the Illinois Board of Higher Education requested for each school.

"As the publicly funded university hardest hit by the two-year impasse, this year's appropriation is great news," Rachel Lindsey, interim president of Chicago State University, said in a statement. "We thank our Illinois lawmakers for their swift and deliberate focus" on higher education.

Overall, funding for public universities still lags about 8.2 percent behind what schools received in 2014-15, the last time the state approved a budget on schedule. University presidents unsuccessfully pushed the higher education board earlier this year to lobby Springfield to restore 2015-era funding.

"What we have now should not be the new normal," said Elaine Maimon, president of Governors State University.

But given recent instability, officials said predictable and consistent funding is more critical at this stage.

"I think there has been an awareness that the two years of the budget impasse were really very difficult for higher education to get through," Southern Illinois University President Randy Dunn said. "This increase in funding speaks to a growing understanding that public education in the state of Illinois is an investment as much as it is a cost, and something that is going to be integral in terms of job creation and economic development."

University of Illinois leaders said in a statement Thursday: "The state's second straight, full-year budget reflects a much-needed return of stability and reinvestment in higher education after a two-year impasse that cut sharply into funding and hampered our ability to plan our future."

Funding for Monetary Award Program grants remained static at \$401.3 million. The state board had requested an increase of \$100 million for MAP,

which helps pay college costs for low-income students.

Lynne Baker, a spokeswoman for the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, noted MAP was boosted by 10 percent last year and ISAC leaders were pleased to see that funding maintained. The budget will support an initiative that gives returning students priority to MAP funding and will provide \$25 million for a matching grant pilot program, Baker said.

"The hope is that this would help attract and retain students who otherwise might not go to college or get better offers out of state," Baker said.

School leaders also said they were pleased to see funding earmarked for critical campus construction and renovation, projects that have fallen well behind schedule. A state report this year estimated the backlog on university building maintenance at \$5.5 billion.

About \$526.6 million is dedicated to repairing and replacing electrical systems, pipes, roofs, fire alarms and elevators, as well as to more ambitious expansions and upgrades.

Maimon of Governors State said the budget also will help the university's position in the bond market as it seeks dollars to replace roofs and infrastructure.

"We've had rain coming into our buildings and ruining property," Maimon said. "We can start work on our water main system. We had to close campus a couple of times for flooding because of our decrepit pipes."

Northern Illinois University is to receive almost \$7 million to start replacing boilers.

Illinois State University is on tap to receive \$61.9 million for its Visual Arts Center complex. That was among several projects approved in a massive capital plan under Gov. Pat Quinn but halted when funds ran out and the legislature failed to reapprove them in subsequent budgets.

"It's the small victories," Illinois State spokesman Eric Jome said. "It's back in black and white, and it's in the budget. We remain optimistic."

The University of Illinois scored \$500 million to support the Discovery Partners Institute, a major innovation center slated to be a part of one of the most anticipated projects in Chicago: a 62-acre riverfront site connecting Chinatown to the South Loop.

The ambitious project, which has backing from Rauner and Mayor Rahm Emanuel, was announced in October. University and political leaders have said the majority of the funding for the \$1.2 billion center will come from private donations.

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June 12 summit back on, Trump says

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ago, set a different tone.

The North Korean official, Gen. Kim Yong Chol, a former spy chief who is one of his country's most powerful figures, was greeted by chief of staff John Kelly at the White House. He was the highest-ranking North Korean to visit the White House in nearly two decades.

The general, accompanied by an interpreter, met with Trump, Kelly and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo in the Oval Office, where he presented a letter from Kim Jong Un to Trump.

The delegation from a country dubbed by Trump's last Republican predecessor as a member of the "axis of evil" shook hands, smiled and posed for photos after talks that Trump branded a "getting-to-know you meeting — plus."

Trump teased at the contents of Kim's letter, calling it "very nice" and hinting that he might release it publicly, only to insist minutes later that he had yet to read it.

"This was a letter present-

ation," he said after the North Koreans loaded into their cars. "It ended up being a two-hour conversation. ... I really think they want to do something, and if it's possible, so do we."

Trump made a point of saying that he and Kim Yong Chol discussed sanctions relief as well as denuclearization. The U.S. would hold off on "hundreds" of new sanctions against North Korea that had been planned, Trump said, although existing sanctions would remain in force.

He also said he had not raised North Korea's record of brutal human rights violations — a subject that administration officials highlighted repeatedly until weeks ago.

Trump seemed eager to build bridges with North Korea, talking of ending sanctions against the isolated adversary.

"I don't even want to use the term 'maximum pressure' anymore," he said, referring to the phrase the administration has used for months to describe its policy toward Pyongyang. "We're getting along."

Trump's insistence that

the summit meeting would only be an initial step, rather than a place to cut a deal, built on language he started using in the past week.

In traditional negotiations, heads of state meet only at the end of negotiations, after lower-level officials have hammered out details for an agreement. That has not happened this time, as Trump has been eager to press the flesh with Kim Jong Un since March, when South Korean officials reported to him that the North Koreans had proffered an invitation.

That tempering of his own enthusiasm marks a notable shift for the president.

Just over a month ago, Trump floated the possibility of holding the summit meeting in the Demilitarized Zone between North and South Korea, suggesting that would be the most fitting spot for the triumph he was hoping for, if not outright expecting.

"There's something I like about it, because you're there, if things work out, there's a great celebration to be had on the site, not in a third-party country," he said

then.

"The United States has never been closer to potentially having something happen with respect to the Korean Peninsula, that can get rid of the nuclear weapons, can create so many good things, so many positive things, and peace and safety for the world," he added then.

But his advisers have cautioned him that a deal to curb or eliminate North Korea's nuclear stockpile could take months to reach — if not more — and then years or decades to carry out.

The latest attempt to revive the summit began Thursday with talks in New York between Pompeo and Kim Jong Chol.

The four-star general is under multiple U.S. sanctions, and he needed State Department waivers to visit New York and Washington.

That gesture, and the welcome he received in the Oval Office, was a sign of the White House's eagerness for a breakthrough with the isolated nuclear-armed regime.

Just months ago, Trump and Kim Jong Un were



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President Trump hosts Kim Yong Chol, the highest-ranking North Korean to visit the White House in nearly 20 years.

trading crude insults — "Little Rocket Man" versus "mentally deranged U.S. dotard," among others — and threatening to launch nuclear war with what Trump called "fire and fury like the world has never seen."

And just eight days ago, Trump wrote a terse letter to Kim Jong Un calling off the summit but leaving a window open for further talks.

Since then, the two governments have engaged in intense bouts of diplomacy in New York, Singapore and in the Demilitarized Zone to see if the summit should go forward.

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NATION & WORLD

Hiring jumps as economy continues to heat up

Unemployment rate fell to 3.8%, lowest since 2000

BY HEATHER LONG
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WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy added 223,000 jobs in May as U.S. companies continued their hiring spree, according to the Labor Department's monthly jobs report released Friday.

The unemployment rate fell to 3.8 percent, the lowest since 2000.

In a highly unusual move, President Donald Trump tweeted early Friday morning that he was "looking forward to seeing the employment numbers." Trump's tweet moved markets as many on Wall Street thought the president was signaling that job gains would be far higher than the 200,000 that had been expected.

Stocks jumped at the open with the Dow rising more than 200 points.

Many economists predict the unemployment rate will fall even further this year, potentially dropping to 3.5 percent, which would be the lowest rate since 1969.

Wage growth ticked up slightly to 2.7 percent over the past year, but is still sluggish.

"The labor market is continuing its longest streak of job growth on record," said Martha Gimbel, researcher director at Indeed.com, an employment website. "This recovery is showing no sign of slowing down."

With its power to move the markets, the jobs report is a closely held secret before it is released.

Only a select few officials, including the labor secre-



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tary, the head of the president's Council of Economic Advisers, the treasury secretary and the Fed chairman, are told prior to its release for fear that a leak could give some investors an unfair advantage.

Presidents have typically received an advance look at the jobs report and a long-standing federal rule forbids government employees from commenting on the jobs numbers until an hour after the release.

Tony Fratto, a Treasury Department official who worked in President George W. Bush's administration, said that while not illegal, Trump's tease could be deemed inappropriate because "you want market participants to get their data

from their government in predictable, official ways, not haphazard ones."

Jason Furman, the head of the Council of Economic Advisers for President Barack Obama, tweeted that if Trump's tweet conveys inside info, then he should never get the jobs report briefing again.

Lawrence Summers, who served as treasury secretary for President Bill Clinton, tweeted if during the Clinton or President Barack Obama administrations information had been similarly conveyed, "it would have been a major scandal — with all sorts of investigations following on."

The director of the White House National Economic

Council, Larry Kudlow, who briefed Trump on the jobs report Thursday evening, defended the president's tweet as appropriate. "Why not? He didn't give any numbers," Kudlow told reporters at the White House. "I just want to interject this radical notion: The jobs report was really good, the economy is doing really well."

Trump's embrace of the unemployment rate is a far cry from his 2016 campaign rhetoric when he called it "one of the biggest hoaxes in modern politics," suggesting it was a phony number because it showed that the economy was expanding under Obama.

Hiring was strong across the board with retail and

health care leading the surge in May.

Blue-collar jobs have also picked up in the last year as rising oil prices and the global economic rebound are driving more demand for construction and manufacturing workers.

The United States has gained 95,000 manufacturing jobs and 110,000 construction jobs from the start of the year through May. Hiring in manufacturing is off to the best start this year since 2011.

Executives at many companies complain they can't find enough workers.

But the pickup in hiring this year suggests they are still adding to their head count, and more people are re-entering the job market

after taking time off for health reasons, taking care of family or just because they didn't think there were enough opportunities for them.

Job gains have averaged 207,000 a month this year, a faster pace than last year or the year before.

While American companies remain on a hiring spree, they continue to be reluctant to raise wages. The annual pace of wage growth in May was just 2.7 percent, barely above inflation.

This economic expansion is now the second-longest in modern American history, behind only the 1990s tech boom that saw widespread job and wage gains for people across the income and skills spectrum.

There are encouraging signs that more Americans are benefiting from today's hot job market.

Unemployment for African-Americans has fallen to the lowest level on record, dropping below 6 percent for the first time ever, an encouraging sign that Trump played up in a speech Friday at a Coast Guard ceremony.

The Hispanic rate is also close to its lowest level since the Labor Department began tracking the unemployment rates for minority groups in the early 1970s.

While African-American unemployment is still above that of whites, the gap has narrowed to the lowest ever.

The unemployment rate for Americans who graduated high school but didn't attend college has also fallen sharply in recent months from 4.5 percent in January to 3.9 percent in May.

Associated Press contributed.



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Italian Premier Giuseppe Conte, a law professor and political novice, reviews the honor guard Friday before the start of a meeting in Rome. He taught classes up until Thursday.

Rome ceremony caps new populist coalition

New leaders vow to boot migrants in 'Italy first' agenda

BY NICOLE WINFIELD
Associated Press

ROME — Italy's president swore in western Europe's first populist government Friday, featuring a mix of anti-establishment and right-wing ministers who have promised an "Italy first" agenda that has alarmed Europe's political establishment.

The continent's euroskeptics cheered the birth of the new government coalition of the 5-Star Movement and the right-wing League party. Milan's stock market closed up 1.5 percent Friday after a last-minute deal Thursday averted the threat of an early election that could have turned into a referendum on whether Italy should ditch the shared euro currency.

President Sergio Mattarella, who negotiated through three months of political deadlock to find a

workable government, presided over the ceremony in the Quirinale Palace. Eighteen ministers — five of them women — took the oath of office, pledging to observe Italy's Constitution and work in the interests of the nation.

The ministers feature a mix of 5-Star and League loyalists and a political neophyte in the form of Premier Giuseppe Conte, who was still teaching his law classes at the university in Florence up until Thursday.

The key economy ministry went to a mainstream economist, Giovanni Tria, who is close to the center-right Forza Italia party of ex-Premier Silvio Berlusconi. Mattarella had vetoed the 5-Star-League's first proposed candidate for the post because of his euroskeptical views.

The ceremony Friday afternoon capped a roller-coaster week of political and financial turmoil that saw stock markets around the world plunge and Italy's borrowing rates soar on the threat of a new election

in Europe's third-largest economy.

It also came on the eve of the nation's Republic Day holiday, the day in 1946 when Italy abolished the monarchy and gave birth to the Republic.

After the ceremony, Conte headed to the premier's office to formally take the reins — and a symbolic little bell — from ex-Premier Paolo Gentiloni.

Conte's deputy premiers are his two more seasoned political masters: 5-Star leader Luigi Di Maio and Matteo Salvini, head of the League. Di Maio, who pledged to give needy Italians a basic income, takes over as economic development minister, while Salvini heads the interior ministry, the key position to enforce his pledge to expel migrants.

After the swearing-in, Salvini told reporters his first order of business would be to "reduce the arrivals and increase the expulsions" of migrants, as well as the costs associated with their care.

D'Souza not worthy of pardon, former AG says

Holder thinks Trump trying to send message

BY JOHN WAGNER
The Washington Post

Former Attorney General Eric Holder, who is weighing a 2020 presidential bid, on Friday sharply questioned President Donald Trump's judgment in issuing a string of pardons, including one granted the day before to conservative commentator Dinesh D'Souza.

"If you use all the typical metrics that we use in the Justice Department ... very few of these people you'd consider good candidates for pardons," Holder said at a "Politics and Eggs" event in New Hampshire that is considered a rite of passage for potential presidential candidates.

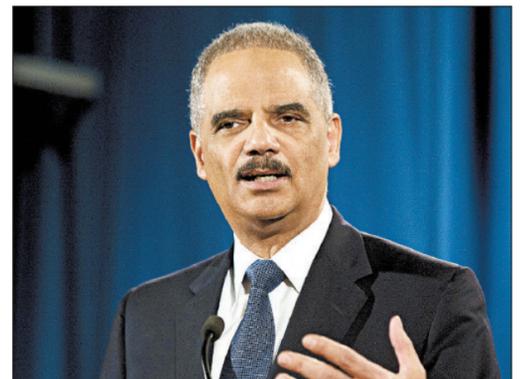
On Thursday, Trump issued a full pardon to D'Souza, an author and filmmaker who pleaded guilty in 2014 to illegally using straw donors to contribute to a New York Republican's candidacy for a U.S. Senate seat.

D'Souza later claimed he was targeted by prosecutors because of his previous vocal criticism of President Barack Obama.

Trump also indicated that he is considering clemency for other celebrity felons, including lifestyle maven Martha Stewart and former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, among others.

Holder, a Democrat who was Obama's attorney general when D'Souza was federally prosecuted, cited him as an example of someone not worthy of a pardon, as well as Joe Arpaio, the former sheriff of Maricopa County, Arizona.

Arpaio was held in criminal contempt for ignoring a court order related to the detention of people suspected of being in the country illegally.



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Former Attorney General Eric Holder says he will decide next year whether to run for president.

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Holder acknowledged that U.S. presidents have an "absolute" power to pardon and that the country has "a history of, you know, not-great pardons."

But he added, "I'm a little concerned about what's going on now."

Holder said he thinks Trump is trying to "send a message" to potential witnesses in the investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election, making clear they know he has the power to pardon them.

But Holder said such a strategy is not likely to undermine the investigation led by special counsel Robert Mueller, which also includes an examination of whether Trump has tried to obstruct justice.

"If you pardon somebody, all right, that means that they don't have much to worry about with regard to whatever the pardon covers," Holder said.

But "if Bob Mueller for instance wants to take a pardoned person, put that

person before a grand jury, that person no longer has the ability to say, 'I'm going to invoke my Fifth Amendment right' against self-incrimination.

"That's been stripped away ... and that person then becomes a perfect witness for the special counsel," Holder said.

"And so it might have a positive impact on the person who received the pardon, but it will not ultimately thwart the Mueller investigation."

Holder told the audience that he is considering a 2020 bid for the Democratic presidential nomination but will not make a decision whether to run until sometime next year.

He devoted most of his prepared remarks to his current work challenging congressional districts that have been gerrymandered to favor Republicans.

Holder's comments on Trump's pardons came in response to a question from the audience.

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

U.S. blocks U.N. panel from backing taxes on sugary drinks

GENEVA — The Trump administration has torpedoed a plan to recommend higher taxes on sugary drinks, forcing a World Health Organization panel to back off the U.N. agency's call for such taxes as a way to fight obesity, diabetes and other life-threatening conditions.

The move Friday was enthusiastically welcomed by the International Food and Beverage Alliance — a group that

represents companies including Coca-Cola, PepsiCo. and Unilever.

Dr. Sania Nishtar, co-chairwoman of a WHO panel on non-communicable diseases, said most of its 26 members supported the tax but one commissioner opposed stronger language.

Eric Hargan, the deputy secretary for Health and Human Services, argued it was not clear that imposing such taxes would improve public health.

Police back at kidnap suspect's home where bodies found

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Investigators brought in ground-penetrating radar and shovels to search for evidence at a kidnapping suspect's home where three bodies had already been found, authorities said Friday.

Stewart Weldon, 40, was arrested Sunday following a chase after police tried to stop him for having a broken tail light, authorities said. A woman in his car, who according

to police was distraught and crying uncontrollably, said he had held her against her will for a month, sexually assaulted her and beaten her.

Weldon pleaded not guilty to kidnapping and other charges on Tuesday and was held on \$1 million bail.

No one has been charged in connection with the discovery of the bodies, which have not been publicly identified.

Lawsuit makes new rape allegation against Weinstein

NEW YORK — Harvey Weinstein was facing a new rape allegation on Friday as part of a lawsuit alleging that he had help covering up his misconduct with women.

The lawsuit was filed in New York by three women, including one who says Weinstein assaulted her at a Manhattan hotel in 2011.

Melissa Thompson says that when she was meeting with Weinstein to pitch internet technology,

he held her down and raped her.

She did not report it to law enforcement authorities because she feared for her safety and career, the lawsuit said.

Besides Thompson, two other women made new claims in the lawsuit, which seeks class-action status to represent hundreds of other women it says were victimized by Weinstein and what it described as his enablers.



YAHYA ARHAB/EPA

Yemeni children in the capital, Sanaa, wait Friday to receive food donated by charities. According to aid agencies, at least 18 million of the nation's 26 million people lack adequate access to food after more than three years of war in the poorest Arab country.

Judge agrees to halt fetal heartbeat abortion law in Iowa

DES MOINES, Iowa — An Iowa judge agreed Friday to temporarily block the most restrictive abortion law in the country under an agreement between the state and abortion rights groups.

Attorneys for the state and Republican Gov. Kim Reynolds told the judge they agreed to prevent the law from taking effect on July 1 after discussions with three groups challenging the law: the American Civil Liberties Union of Iowa, Planned Parenthood Federation of American and the Emma Goldman Clinic.

The groups are suing the state, arguing that the law — which bans most abortions if a fetal heartbeat can be detected — is unconstitutional. An attorney representing the state said Friday that the goal now is to quickly get the case before a judge. “for the sake of getting to a resolution on the merits sooner and better.”

Both sides have said they want the case to go to the Iowa Supreme Court — though anti-abortion rights groups are aiming for the U.S. Supreme Court.

The state is being represented for free by the

Thomas More Society, a conservative Chicago-based law firm that stepped in after Democratic Iowa Attorney General Tom Miller refused to defend the law that Reynolds signed May 2. Miller said he believed the law undermines the rights and protections for women.

If the fetal heartbeat law is eventually allowed to take effect in Iowa, most abortions would be banned after around the sixth week of pregnancy — a time when, abortion-rights groups say, many women don't even know they're pregnant.

Trump asks why Samantha Bee hasn't been fired

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Friday lashed out at Samantha Bee, asking why the comedian who used a vulgar term to describe his daughter had not been fired and saying she has “no talent” and low ratings.

“Why aren't they firing no talent Samantha Bee for

the horrible language used on her low ratings show?” the president wrote on Twitter.

Trump also called Bee's continued employment by TBS “a total double standard,” an apparent reference to ABC's decision to cancel Roseanne Barr's show following a racist tweet about

Valerie Jarrett, and African-American. Barr is a vocal Trump supporter.

Bee apologized Thursday for describing Ivanka Trump with a vulgarity on her show “Full Frontal,” saying it was “inappropriate and inexcusable” and that she had “crossed a line.”

5 dead, nearly 200 sickened by tainted lettuce

NEW YORK — Four more deaths have been linked to a national food poisoning outbreak blamed on tainted lettuce, bringing the total to five.

Health officials have tied the E. coli outbreak to romaine lettuce grown in Yuma, Ariz. The growing season there ended six weeks ago, and it's unlikely any tainted lettuce is still in stores or people's homes, given its short shelf life.

In an update Friday on the nation's largest E. coli outbreak in a decade, health officials said 25 more cases have been added, raising the total number of illnesses to 197 in 35 states. At least 89 people were hospitalized.

Previously one death had been reported, in California. On Friday, health officials said they had learned of four more — one in Arkansas, one in New York, and two in Minnesota.

French far-right leader Marine Le Pen announced Friday that the National Front party, founded by her father nearly a half-century ago, will now be called the National Rally, a name change that reflects the party's need to appeal to a broader range of voters ahead of next year's European parliamentary elections.

Dozens of activists in Venezuela who government opponents considered political prisoners were released from jail Friday. Among the 39 prisoners set free under strict conditions was Daniel Ceballos, who had been detained for four years for promoting protests as mayor of the western city of San Cristobal.

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A customer picks up food near the corner of Adams Street and Wacker Drive on Friday. After a dispute among food truck operators at the spot Thursday, the police issued citations to trucks and many left the area.

Dispute, tickets fuel food truck tension

Scuffle at Willis Tower drives away vendors

BY SAMANTHA BOMKAMP
Chicago Tribune

A skirmish among food truck operators at one of the most popular mobile food sites in the Loop led many regular vendors to serve lunch elsewhere on Friday. Less than a third of the usual food truck vendors showed up.

On Thursday, two food truck owners got into a dispute over curb space near the intersection of Wacker Drive and Adams Street, and the police were called, according to several witnesses. An official with Chicago's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, which oversees the food truck industry, said the police response stemmed from a complaint about an unlicensed food truck attempting to operate in the area.

Five food trucks received citations from the police for a rarely enforced rule that food trucks must stay more than 200 feet away from bricks-and-mortar businesses serving food, according to the Chicago Police Department.

Chicago police Sgt. Rocco Alioto said that officers were in the area for a traffic accident Thursday when they received the complaint.

Food trucks, some of whom have been parking on the block for four years or more, say they are allowed to park there even though it's not a city-sanctioned "food truck stand" because city rules also allow them to park in metered spaces.

Many food truck owners keep cars on the block around the clock to hold spots for their trucks, and rack up hundreds of dollars per week in parking tickets when they fail to feed the meters.

Lilia Chacon, spokeswoman for the city's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, said the stretch near Wacker and Adams is not sanctioned for food trucks.

Food truck owners who were preparing to serve Friday morning said tension within their ranks is the result of strict limits imposed by the city on where and when they

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— Ramon Torres of Aztec Dave's Food Truck

can operate. Supporters of the food trucks' cause say that most of the Loop — 97 percent by their calculations — is off-limits for service because of the 200-foot rule. A city ordinance also stipulates that food trucks can't park in a single spot for more than two hours.

Ramon Torres of Aztec Dave's Food Truck, one of the area's mainstays, received a citation Thursday and closed up without starting service. He returned Friday morning as a way to "show that we have a right to be here" and was joined by a skeleton crew of fellow food trucks. Torres said he thinks it's important to keep showing up on the block in the hopes that the group won't be forced to aban-

don it and find business elsewhere.

He said he worries that there will be more scrutiny from the city and the Police Department if issues among the vendors continue. Torres says he makes between \$1,500 and \$2,000 in sales a day at the Wacker and Adams location, but that warm weather Thursday would likely have produced an even better day.

"We're here Monday through Friday. It's our busiest spot — it's our bread and butter," he said. "I think it's extremely unjust if we're forced out."

Torres said food truck operators serve at the spot on a first-come, first-served basis, and usually work out any skirmishes among themselves. But Torres said that the city is issuing new licenses for food trucks even though space for them to park and serve is at a premium, a combination of factors that is raising tensions faster and further than before.

Mohammed Beydoun of Mediterranean Express also showed up Friday to serve, and said he was hoping that the group could soon return to business as usual.

The vendor charged with two counts of operating a food truck without a license on Thursday was La Patrona, according to a Business

Affairs and Consumer Protection official. Owners of the food truck could not immediately be reached for comment.

The Fat Shallot was one of the Wacker and Adams regulars that chose to serve elsewhere Friday. Sarah Weitz, who owns the truck with husband Sam Barron, said she opted to keep the truck in River North to avoid the area Friday but hopes to return soon.

"I don't need any more tickets," she said.

Gabriel Wiesen, owner of the Beavers Donuts food truck and president of the Illinois Food Truck Association, said the problems with mobile food vendors all result from legislative restraints put in place by the city, especially the 200-foot rule.

"You have an industry of people that are constantly clamoring for business — it's like starving people fighting for crumbs," he said.

Food trucks have lost two court battles in an effort to overturn some of the regulations, which first passed the City Council in 2012. An attempt by a group of alderman to amend the rules in 2017 didn't get far. The Illinois Supreme Court this week agreed to hear arguments in a lawsuit over the city's food truck rules.

"I can't even say I'm cautiously optimistic" about the possibility of a state Supreme Court ruling in food trucks' favor, Wiesen said. "I'm appalled that the city has spent hundreds of thousands enforcing (the rules) instead of working with its citizens in hopes of something better."

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Trump order to aid coal, nuclear plants

But industry groups blast his directive as federal intervention

BY MATTHEW DALY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Friday directed Energy Secretary Rick Perry to prepare "immediate steps" to bolster struggling coal-fired and nuclear power plants to keep them open.

Trump believes that keeping America's energy grid secure "protects our national security, public safety and economy from intentional attacks and natural disasters," White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said in a statement.

Impending retirements of "fuel-secure" power plants that rely on coal and nuclear power are harming the nation's power grid and reducing its resilience, Sanders said.

The directive comes as the Trump administration considers a plan to order operators of the nation's power grid to buy electricity from coal and nuclear plants to keep them open.

The plan would direct grid operators to buy power from coal and nuclear plants for two years to ensure grid reliability, "promote the national defense and maximize domestic energy supplies."

The Energy Department action, if ordered, would represent an unprecedented intervention into U.S. energy markets.

A draft memo urges federal action to "stop the further premature retirements of fuel-secure generation" from coal and nuclear plants that have struggled to compete with natural gas and renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power.

The plan would exempt power plants from obeying a host of environmental laws and spend billions to keep coal-fired plants open.

A diverse group of energy industry groups — including oil, natural gas, solar and wind power — condemned the proposal, saying it would raise energy prices and distort markets.

"Unprecedented government intervention in the energy markets to support high-cost generation will hurt customers by taking

more money out of their pockets rather than letting people keep more of what they earn," said Todd Smitcher of the American Petroleum Institute, the top lobbying group for the oil and gas industry.

But Robert Murray, chairman and CEO of Murray Energy Corp., the nation's largest privately owned coal company, hailed the White House announcement.

Murray has been seeking emergency action to boost his industry since last year and has met with Trump to argue that federal help was needed to avert thousands of layoffs and maintain the reliability of the electric grid up and down the East Coast.

"We support all efforts to ensure the security of our nation's electric power supply, which is critical to the reliability of our electric power grids, to low-cost electricity and to our national defense," Murray said Friday.

The draft plan calls for the Energy Department to exercise emergency authority under a pair of federal laws typically reserved for wars or natural disasters. The plan calls for Perry to use the Federal Power Act and the Defense Production Act to temporarily delay retirements of coal and nuclear plants.

"This prudent stop-gap measure" will allow coal and nuclear plants to remain open as the department takes further steps to secure the grid, the memo said.

Among those arguing for federal action is Jeff Miller, a GOP fundraiser who has served as an adviser to Perry and other Republicans and ran Perry's unsuccessful presidential campaign in 2016.

Miller is lobbying for FirstEnergy Solutions, a bankrupt power company that relies on coal and nuclear energy to produce electricity. Ohio-based FirstEnergy is the largest customer for Murray's Ohio-based coal company and has joined with Murray to seek federal help.

Michael Panfil, director of federal energy policy for the Environmental Defense Fund, called Trump's directive "an unprecedented, illegal government handout" to the coal and nuclear industries.



LUKE SHARRETT/BLOOMBERG NEWS
President Donald Trump's directive could help coal-fired power plants such as this one in South Carolina.

FBI says reboot infected routers, but shoe not sure fit

By The Associated Press

Last week, the FBI recommended rebooting home and small office routers that could have been infected with disruptive malware, allegedly by sophisticated state-backed Russian hackers. An estimated 500,000 routers and network-attached storage devices have been infected.

Here are some questions and answers about the situation:

How can I tell if my

router is infected?

You probably can't. Routers aren't consumer-friendly, and most people lack the ability to get deep enough inside the device to tell if it's infected.

If my router was infected and I reboot, is it safe?

No. Turning an infected router off and on again only removes some of the malware — such as elements that could snoop on your internet activity or even overwrite the basic code on

your router, thus "bricking" it (that is, turning it into an inoperable brick). The core infection persists on reboot and there's no simple way to delete it.

The good news is that last week, the FBI seized the command-and-control server that sends instructions to the infected routers, disrupting the zombie network that could be used to mount a crippling internet-based attack. The bad news is that the persistent malware is in listening mode, awaiting instructions.

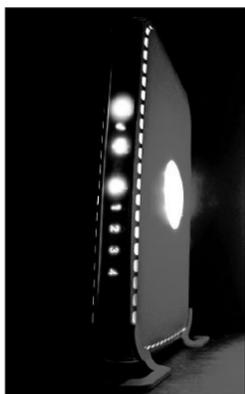
Why can't I remove the malware from my router?

For starters, routers are difficult for ordinary users to fiddle with. They have publicly known vulnerabilities that aren't easy for average users to patch and typically aren't equipped with anti-virus software packages or intrusion protection systems. That said, if you can update your router's "firmware" to the latest version — something you can often do via the router's phone app or web interface

— you should. It may not fix the problem, but it won't hurt and might help.

Which devices are affected and where can I learn more?

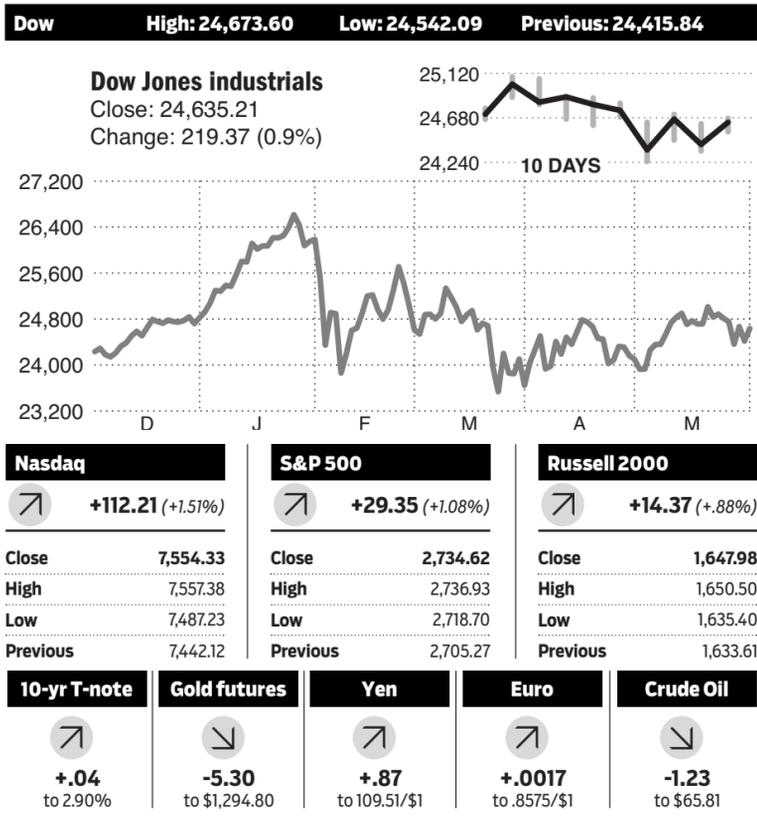
Cisco identified these companies as makers of affected devices: Linksys, Mikrotik, Netgear, TP-Link and QNAP. It said most of the infected routers are in Ukraine. You can find more details from Talos and the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team.



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MARKET ROUNDUP



Major market growth and decline

5-day % change	30-day % change	1-year % change
DOW: -48 NASD: +1.62 S&P: +.49	DOW: +1.54 NASD: +4.78 S&P: +2.67	DOW: +16.17 NASD: +19.80 S&P: +12.12

FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	524.50	528	518.25	523.25	-3
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	393.75	397	390.75	391.50	-2.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	1019.25	1026.50	1015	1021.25	+2.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jul 18	31.14	31.50	31.14	31.19	+0.7
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jul 18	375.30	377.40	372.10	374.20	-1.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Jul 18	67.07	67.34	65.51	65.81	-1.23
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Jul 18	2.951	2.983	2.932	2.962	+0.10
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Jul 18	2.1656	2.1724	2.1316	2.1434	-0.171

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	62.41	+88	Equity LifeStyle Prop	N	91.90	+1.00	McDonalds Corp	N	159.16	+16
AbbVie Inc	N	98.05	-.89	Equity Residential	N	63.83	-.16	Middleby Corp	O	99.57	-.05
Allstate Corp	N	93.86	+38	Exelon Corp	N	40.99	-.40	Morningstar Inc	O	39.56	+2.29
Aptargroup Inc	N	92.77	+45	First Indl RT	N	33.22	-.29	Motorola Solutions	N	121.04	+1.07
Arch Dan Mid	N	43.82	+10	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	56.80	+.63	Navistar Intl	N	38.92	+1.48
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Boeing Co	N	356.72	+4.56	Granger WJ	N	309.70	+7.71	Nthn Trust Cp	O	105.76	+3.24
Brunswick Corp	N	64.99	+1.39	GrubHub Inc	N	107.77	+5.6	Old Republic	N	21.03	+0.5
CBOE Global Markets	O	98.42	+8.26	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	93.25	+1.25	Old Republic	N	21.03	+0.5
CDK Global Inc	O	64.61	+2.6	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	84.18	+2.45	Packaging Corp Am	N	120.04	+2.54
CDW Corp	O	81.00	+9.5	IDEX Corp	N	139.47	+7.9	Packaging Corp Am	N	60.19	+4.4
CF Industries	N	40.47	-.67	ITW	N	146.96	+3.26	Stericycle Inc	O	64.06	+5.6
CME Group	O	167.53	+4.63	Ingredion Inc	N	111.05	-.34	TransUnion	N	69.05	+4.5
CNA Financial	N	47.22	+2.4	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	163.22	-.54	USG Corp	N	41.41	-.7
Caterpillar Inc	N	153.52	+1.61	KapStone Paper	N	34.43	+.03	Ultra Salon Cosmetics O	245.15	+1.06	
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.94	-.12	Kemper Corp	N	77.50	+0.5	United Contl Hldgs	N	69.25	-.34
Deere Co	N	153.39	+3.88	Kraft Heinz Co	O	57.65	+1.7	Ventas Inc	N	54.84	+1.8
Discover Fin Svcs	N	74.01	+1.5	LKQ Corporation	O	31.93	-.16	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	62.86	+4.7
Dover Corp	N	77.96	+7.75	Littelfuse Inc	O	215.86	+1.19	Wintrust Financial	O	93.18	+1.07
Equity Commonwealth	N	31.03	-.08	MB Financial	O	49.66	+2.7	Zebra Tech	O	152.49	-1.02

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Petrobras	10.13	-1.73
Bank of America	29.40	+3.36
Gen Electric	14.10	+0.2
Petrobras A	8.56	-1.64
Snap Inc A	11.63	-2.24
Chesapck Engy	4.53	+0.6
Perspecta Inc	24.55	...
Ford Motor	11.71	+1.6
Vale SA	14.03	+4.3
Twitter Inc	36.65	+1.95
GameStop Corp	13.72	+5.2
General Motors Co	43.20	+5.0
Ambev S.A.	5.27	+0.1
AT&T Inc	32.47	+1.5
Alibaba Group Hldg	204.34	+6.33
Pfizer Inc	36.25	+3.2
Teva Pharm	21.89	+3.9
Gerda SA	4.09	+1.6
Kinder Morgan Inc	16.90	+2.2
Nabors Inds	7.28	-.19
Oasis Petroleum	13.19	+1.6
Callon Petrol	11.12	-.72
Abercromb Fitch	21.77	-2.08
Weatherford Intl Ltd	3.43	+0.4

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Office Depot	2.47	+1.1
Micron Tech	58.74	+1.15
Adv Micro Dev	14.40	+6.7
Intel Corp	57.08	+1.88
Microsoft Corp	100.79	+1.95
Netlist Inc	.23	+0.6
Neovasc Inc	.03	...
Apple Inc	190.24	+3.37
Viking Therapeutics	9.75	-.24
IQIYI Inc	28.46	+3.16
Co-Diagnostics Inc	4.79	+1.89
Zynga Inc	4.47	+0.7
Cisco Syst	43.66	+9.95
Comcast Corp A	31.26	+0.08
Facebook Inc	193.99	+2.21
Helios and Matheson	.44	+0.0
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	7.07	-.03
lululemon athletica	122.19	+17.14
JD.com Inc	36.09	+9.1
Huntgrn Bancshs	15.19	+3.2
Momo Inc	49.60	+3.68
Caesars Entertain	12.00	-.15
Applied Matis	52.24	+1.46
Marvell Tech Grp	22.17	+6.3

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.88	1.88
2-year	2.05	2.03
5-year	2.47	2.42
10-year	2.90	2.85
30-year	3.05	3.02

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1294.80	\$1301.10
Silver	\$16.388	\$16.402
Platinum	\$906.70	\$910.10

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Discount Rate Primary	2.25
Fed Funds Target	1.50-1.75
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.45

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Britain (Pound)	.7493
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China (Yuan)	6.4203
Euro	.8575
India (Rupee)	66.934
Israel (Shekel)	3.5562
Japan (Yen)	109.51
Mexico (Peso)	19.9283
Poland (Zloty)	3.69
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Taiwan (Dollar)	29.84
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EDITORIALS

The promise and peril of free preschool

Mayor Rahm Emanuel dangled a powerful promise in front of Chicago parents (that is, voters) on Wednesday: free preschool for all. The mayor unveiled an ambitious (that is, costly) plan to make free full-day preschool available to all 4-year-olds within four years. Students from lower-income families would get first dibs in the upcoming school year. By 2021, there would be 24,000 free Chicago preschool seats at a cost of \$175 million annually.

Not surprisingly, Emanuel earned huzzas from academic experts on the benefits of pre-K. Preschool prepares children to do better in kindergarten, which sets them on a path to succeed in school and in life.

Also not surprisingly, Emanuel drew a fusillade of criticism from the Chicago Teachers Union and mayoral campaign opponents. They doubt he can or will pull it off. Skeptics also wonder, rightly, whether CPS has the bandwidth — the staffing, organizational competence and early childhood expertise — to move so swiftly.

We agree with the mayor that quality preschool hugely benefits children. Helping cash-strapped families afford it is a smart move. But we're wary about the word "free" in government programs.

Can a gravely indebted and in many ways inadequate CPS keep Emanuel's election-year commitment?

Though politically appealing, free preschool for all isn't necessary. And Emanuel's plan is based on a sudden influx of cash that may or may not continue in future years.

Right now, for full-day preschool, parents pay \$13,974 at CPS' 10 tuition-based schools. The city also offers half-day preschool in most neighborhoods on a sliding tuition scale, with poor families paying nothing and wealthy families paying as much as \$441 per month.

Question 1: Why not expand that sliding scale for all preschool so that affluent families continue to pay their way? That tuition would help support needier families.

Question 2: Couldn't CPS fund much of this expansion by closing half-empty, underperforming schools? We'd like to hear all mayoral candidates weigh in on that urgent priority.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

It is too easy, perhaps especially for liberals, to subcontract the business of making a more equal society to distant policymakers through the occasional vote. ... We have to show up at community meetings after work to support policies that promote greater class integration at a very local level; we have to turn up, for example, at the housing committee meeting to call for less restrictive zoning laws, or at the school board meeting to support greater school integration.

We need to ask ourselves, when we volunteer our time or donate our money, is it to help people in our own, narrowly drawn community, or to help those in greater need? How much money does our school PTA pass on to a school with a less-affluent population? What kind of organizations do we support? Where do we look for a new summer intern for our business? Whom do we choose to mentor? Here, there is a challenge to conservatives. They will likely welcome the emphasis on taking personal responsibility, including the responsibility to help others, but too often conservatives are most enthusiastic about helping people like themselves.

Richard V. Reeves, National Affairs

What we call the skills gap — the millions of decent-paying, blue-collar positions in America that go unfilled, even as critics decry the lack of good jobs — has widened as the economy has rebounded and the job market tightened. To close the gap, many are urging renewed commitment to vocational education and technical training, both devalued by the educational system over the last 50 years. But merely ramping up apprentice programs or buying new equipment for shop class won't be enough. The real challenge is cultural: changing the conversation about the importance and dignity of blue-collar work, not only with kids but also with parents and educators, who've latched on to the idea that college is the only route to success and that "working smart" ... is somehow better than working hard.

The challenge includes not just promoting careers in the trades but also teaching

We ask because Chicagoans suffer from CPS whiplash. For years they've heard Emanuel and CPS leaders warn about the district's crushing debts and unmet basic needs. Suddenly CPS is on somewhat firmer footing, thanks to new taxes and money from Springfield via a new educational funding formula passed last year. But rather than assuring Chicagoans that he'll devote the new revenue to fix CPS' current shortcomings, Emanuel plans to spend millions on, yes, a new and expensive program.

One lesson every preschooler should hear: Don't count chickens before Springfield hatches them. This proposal's durability hinges on lawmakers living up to last year's school funding package not just in 2018, but 2019, 2020 ... and beyond. Funny thing about revenue spikes in school districts or other governments. They're usually fleeting. Politicians abandon yesterday's priorities. Or find their own new and expensive programs to fund. Or can't even agree on budgets.

Emanuel tells us this expansion isn't a risky bet. Springfield will never have the stomach to yank funding, he says, "because it is tied to these beautiful 4-year-olds." That's savvy marketing; what Grinch would deny kids preschool? Remember that assurance.

Money committed to expanding preschool, however, *doesn't* flow to other urgent classroom needs. Nor can such funds help pay down billions in CPS debt that does have to be paid. And CPS soon faces negotiations over a new teachers contract. The teachers will demand raises and more. It'll be hard for CPS, with its new \$175 million entitlement program, to cry poor.

Emanuel acknowledges that CPS has "more needs than we have resources." So he and district leaders decided to "make the best investment we can make." He argues that there's immense power in a universal program rather than a means-tested one. He believes it will help keep families in Chicago.

But free preschool is an expensive commitment. Long after Emanuel leaves office, Chicago mayors and school boards may scramble for money to prop up an obligation he created for them back in 2018. For a district so recently near bankruptcy, that's a sobering prospect.

those seeking a vocation that traditional values like showing up on time, working diligently, and seizing opportunities when they arise are crucial. "The workforce crisis is a character crisis," says Danny Goldberg, head of a Milwaukee program, Building2Learn, which brings together students from urban neighborhoods with trade and technical workers, showing the youngsters what it takes to succeed. "Just teaching kids skills doesn't produce the employees we need."

Steven Malanga, City Journal

The Swedish government has begun sending all 4.8 million of the country's households a public information leaflet telling the population, for the first time in more than half a century, what to do in the event of a war.

"Om krisen eller kriget kommer" (If crisis or war comes) explains how people can secure basic needs such as food, water and heat, what warning signals mean, where to find bomb shelters and how to contribute to Sweden's "total defence." The publication comes as the debate on security — and the possibility of joining NATO — has intensified in Sweden in the wake of Russia's annexation of Crimea in 2014 and recent incursions into Swedish airspace and territorial waters by Russian planes and submarines. The country has begun reversing military spending cuts and last year staged its biggest military exercises in nearly a quarter of a century, as well as voting to reintroduce conscription and unveiling joint plans with Denmark to counter Russian cyberattacks and disinformation. ...

In the event of armed conflict, it says, "everyone is obliged to contribute and everyone is needed" for Sweden's "total defense": anyone between 16 and 70 "can be called to assist in the event of the threat of war and war."

Sweden has not been at war with another country for more than 200 years. If it is attacked, the leaflet says, "we will never give up. All information to the effect that resistance is to cease is false."

Jon Henley, The Guardian

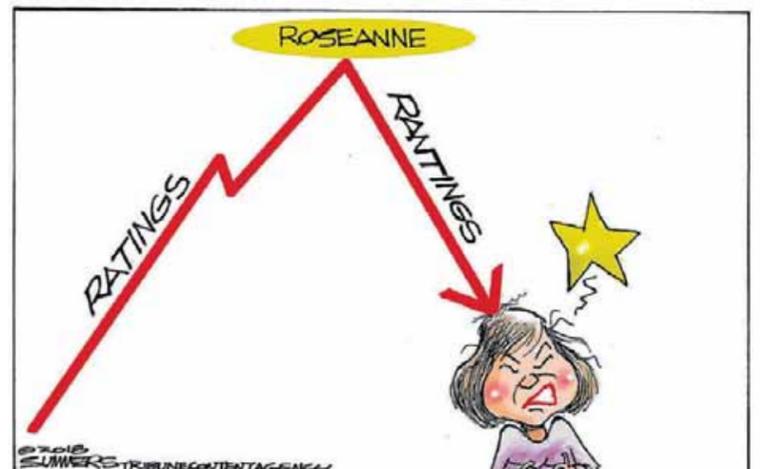
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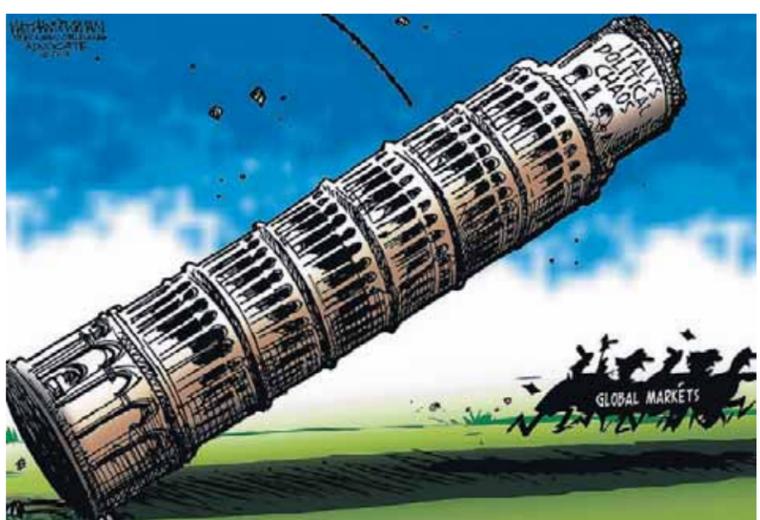
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Nine states plus the District of Columbia have legalized the recreational use of marijuana.

Mixed messages

The older I get the more I realize how hypocritical our politicians are. For years — no, make that decades — we have been bombarded with the evils of smoking. We had it drummed into us that not only will smoking lead to a slow and painful death, but secondhand smoke also injures those around us. There have been multiple programs to help people stop smoking plus numerous ad campaigns to keep young people from ever starting. Tobacco companies have been successfully sued and fined billions of dollars.

Now all of a sudden smoking is OK again, if the plant smoked is marijuana. What? Nine states plus the District of Columbia have legalized the recreational use of marijuana and 29 states have legalized marijuana smoking for "medical" purposes. There have been serious discussions to legalize recreational marijuana in Illinois.

To quote the American Lung Association: "Smoke from marijuana combustion has been shown to contain many of the same toxins, irritants and carcinogens as tobacco smoke." According to the American Lung Association, marijuana smokers typically inhale more deeply and hold the smoke in longer than cigarette smokers, causing even more damage than evil cigarettes.

It's time for the politicians to either admit smoking is bad for us no matter what the source or get their foot off the necks of the tobacco companies and their hands out of their pocketbooks. You can't have it both ways, folks, even if all that extra tax revenue from legalized marijuana is awfully attractive.

— *Louis J. Berardi, Downers Grove*

Trump's revenge

Iran is one of my least favorite countries. Iranians have very little freedom. Their elections are a sham. The so-called guardian council, a group of fundamentalist, hard-line clerics, allows only candidates they choose to run for office. Iran funds terrorist groups.

However, Iran is a huge power with which every country must deal. The Iran nuclear deal, though far from perfect, gives the West some leverage over what that regime does. President Donald Trump's pulling out of it was a disastrous mistake.

His claim that it was a bad deal for the U.S. was only a smoke screen. His real reason is his hatred for President Barack Obama. It is revenge for Obama poking fun at Trump over his "birther" claim that Obama was not born in the U.S. at a media event several years ago. When President Obama made his joke, Trump appeared to be seething with anger. Ever since Trump was elected, he has done everything he can to undermine Obama's legacy, including junking the Paris climate accord and the Iran nuclear deal.

Trump is a narcissist who cannot stand to have fun poked at him, or even disagreement on policies. His ego is more important than the good of our country, or our relations with other nations.

Whatever Trump does is for his own self-glorification, and to get back at Obama, or anyone, especially the media, that he believes "dissed" him. He's a "wannabe" dictator who should not be called the "leader of the free world."

— *Larry Brown, Glen Carbon, Ill.*

Common decency

The Chicago Tribune's recent articles on the forced separation of immigrant children from mothers, and the shocking "loss" of "unaccompanied" children have wrenched our hearts and enraged our sense of decency.

A state-dictated system that tears children from their mothers' arms, and which imprisons adults for the infraction of struggling across the desert to collapse on our doorstep seeking refuge, is nothing short of cruel, inhumane and un-American.

We are horrified to learn of the nearly 1,500 children missing from the unaccompanied minor system, as well as shootings at the border, reports of detainee abuse and plans to destroy records of that abuse. We believe the United States of America has recklessly abandoned its moral responsibility for children and families seeking asylum or a chance to immigrate.

We do not espouse "opening the floodgates." We are pleading for common decency and an end to government-sponsored fear-mongering about our neighbors.

Immigration has been a net negative for the last several years, and immigrants here illegally commit crimes at far lower rates than native-born Americans. We are proudly a nation of immigrants. We know that immigrants bring incalculable benefits to our society, as they have throughout history.

There is a better way to handle desperate neighbors at our borders than to traumatize and brutalize. It is time that Attor-

ney General Jeff Sessions and the Trump administration conjured up the courage it takes for compassion. It is time they lived up to American ideals, rather than authoritarian, fascist tactics.

Please continue to make your readers aware of the reprehensible practices employed by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Border Patrol, and the arm of these operations that removes and houses children. These actions are being done in our names while we are screaming, "No!"

— *Sheryl Voita, Kathi Kemp, Leslie Starczewski and Debbie Beck, Wise Women's Speakeasy, Madison, Wis.*

Vote down the gun lobby

I am sure that many of you will agree that we are in the midst of a terrible crisis in our country. Our precious children are being slaughtered in their schools on a regular basis, and yet our elected officials in Washington refuse to take any kind of meaningful action to stem this evil tide of death and destruction.

Do we care more about our precious Second Amendment to the Constitution than we do about our precious children? There is no place in our civil society for assault weapons and their high capacity magazines or for the so-called bump stocks that convert semi-automatic into automatic weapons.

We the people have the power to force our elected representatives to represent us and not the gun lobbies. We have our right to vote. So I propose that at the coming election in November, we vote for the people whom we believe will best represent us, and not the gun lobbies and the National Rifle Association. We have the power to measurably reduce the gun violence in our country, but we have to vote.

So, let us take back the power that rightfully belongs to us. In the words of Abraham Lincoln in his famous Gettysburg Address, "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Vote!
— *Ed Cunningham, Danville, Ky.*

The true danger

Tech giants like Facebook, Google and Amazon are as much of a problem in the world now as guns. Yes, they have done amazing things for good (guns have too!) and have advanced knowledge and its transmission like no other invention in history. But they have withered relationships between people, taken our privacy, and allowed terrorist groups to recruit followers and spread easily.

Amazon is wiping out small businesses at an astonishing rate, mom and pop stores, even huge conventional discount stores. We will be, and generally are now, under the power of online giants. Jeff Bezos of Amazon and Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook are now two of the richest people on earth; they are like countries unto themselves with staggering net worths. They control huge populations of employees and command a share of the stock market that is enormous, making them almost unchallengeable and beyond the law. Ask yourselves: Is it a good and worthy purpose to want to take over the world through business and displace all diverse sources of livelihood?

Our cherished privacy has been severely compromised because of Facebook and Twitter and the internet itself! We have foolishly, thoughtlessly, surrendered our former ways of life — including privacy, independence, freedom, social interaction, human intimacy, safety, our ability to think for ourselves. We are increasingly vulnerable as a nation on many fronts.

Is it any wonder terrorists all over the world find it easy to upset our lives? We freely give our personal information, our Social Security and credit card numbers, to anyone in order to conveniently shop online or make distant social connections. When our identities get stolen, we just get new ones, if we aren't financially ruined. Our children have no sense of life's permanence. No product we buy or are gifted creates happiness for longer than the cycle of competition, which endlessly creates new products, many of which aren't as good as the ones they replace. The god of our world now is advertising dollars, because advertising creates value and desire by preying upon people's fading ability to make choices based upon facts, rather than trends.

We are ready to accept self-driving cars, and we routinely allow drones to penetrate the sanctity of the air above us. Our "smart" phones secretly record our conversations and indiscriminately send them to strangers. Robots are replacing workers.

Getting rid of the internet now, though, is just about as likely as getting rid of guns. This awesome world the internet has created has tricked us. It's turning into a monster.

— *Peter Gorham, Galesburg, Ill.*

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RECORDINGS

Kanye West therapy session

Rapper offers deep, dark thoughts — or maybe he's trolling us

By **GREG KOT**
 Chicago Tribune

For a pop celebrity, solipsism comes as easily as breathing. In that respect, Kanye West has few peers. His eighth studio album, "Ye" (GOOD/Def Jam), was unveiled at an exclusive listening party Thursday in Jackson, Wyo., and it comes with the usual Kanye caveats: Is this a cry for help? Is this a put-on? Is he trolling, well, everybody?

After a series of albums that rewired popular music, West's recent works — "Yeezus" (2013), "The Life of Pablo" (2016) and now "Ye" — have increasingly sounded like extensions of his onstage rants, Twitter outbursts and unfiltered waywardness with words in interviews. The melding of real life and imaginative art made West an innovator, and his albums still sound like nobody else's. But now his personal troubles have become the focal point, interior monologues dressed up with occasional musical flourishes.

Across an image of snow-capped mountains on the "Ye" album cover, there's a very Kanye-like, bleakly humorous contradiction: "I hate being bipolar, it's awesome." Mental disorders, drug addiction, financial turmoil, ill-chosen words about black slavery, misogyny, temptation, guilt — West couldn't be more transparent about any of it on the new album, as tough on himself as he is on his rivals.

"I got dirt on my name, I got white on my beard, I had debt on my books, it's been a shaky ass year," West raps on "No Mistakes." "Ye" isn't so much a musical statement as a 23-minute, seven-track therapy session.

About half the album has West as a role player on tracks that suggest a theater scene, with a handful of voices playing characters (quite possibly all living inside West's brain). The album moves from spoken-word monologues to more expansive musical settings that try to "take the top off (and) let the sun come in."



TIM MOSENFELDER/GETTY

Kanye West, shown in San Francisco in 2014, is working with some young rappers on his new album.

'Ye'

Kanye West
 ★★ (out of four)

"I Thought About Killing You" has West confessing his murderous and suicidal intentions against a blurry backdrop of electronically distorted voices. "Sometimes I think really, really bad things," he says, a track all the more weird and chilling because it's presented in such an offhand way, as if West were thinking out loud over a half-finished backing track. "Yikes" evokes a drug-induced hallucination: "Sometimes I scare myself." It ends with West ranting, and then a scream.

Perversely, "All Mine" contains the album's first genuine hook, by Chicago rapper Valee, even as West openly fantasizes about cheating on his wife, Kim Kardashian. "Wouldn't Leave" provides the flip side and praises Kardashian for her loyalty. There's even a hint of tenderness in the refrains sung by Partynextdoor

and Jeremih. It's a theme extended on "No Mistakes," with the melodic refrain supplied by Charlie Wilson and Kid Cudi. It's West in major-chord mode, a throwback to the celebratory feel of "We Major" or "All of the Lights."

"Ghost Town" builds from a gospel intro containing a Blind Willie Johnson quote, with West telegraphing his vulnerability through shaky singing, but it's young New Jersey rapper 070 Shake who walks away with the song. "Nothing hurts anymore, I feel kinda free," she sings, echoing the willfulness that underlies most everything West does.

He shares space with several young proteges, (some signed to his GOOD Music label), and it's a good thing — they bring some light into West's cracked introspection. It's DeJ Loaf's refrain that serves as West's conscience on "Violent Crimes," a track that could be subtitled "Kanye repents!" Men are savages, "monsters, pimps, players," West blurts, but now, thanks to the birth of his two daughters, "I see women as

something to nurture." It's a revelation born not out of grace but of fear — fear that his daughters may be subject to the same patriarchal mistreatment he himself indulged.

Yet the overriding theme, even as he comes clean about most of what his life has become, is one of defiance. Would his fans want him any other way? West promises a string of albums in the next few weeks that he will produce for other artists, including Kid Cudi, Nas and Teyana Taylor. With West, redemption is always one hit away.

Which brings us back to that lavish "listening party" in Wyoming. It was not an act of benevolence for his friends so much as a way to schmooze radio programmers, so they'd play his records again. West may represent the new school of pop celebrities, but when it comes to the pop charts, he's as old school as 20th-century payola.

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CRITICS' PLANNER



KINO LORBER

Leon Vitali in "Filmworker."

MOVIES MICHAEL PHILLIPS

'Filmworker'

The documentary isn't cosmic in scale, but it's casually profound in its portrait of a demanding artist's humble, increasingly crucial support system. "Filmworker" (4 stars) directed, shot and edited by Tony Zierra, tells the story of Leon Vitali, still very much alive and devoted to his legendary mentor, the late filmmaker Stanley Kubrick. Vitali gave up acting to become an assistant, factotum and "slave" ("Full Metal Jacket" star Matthew Modine's word for him) beholden to a highly idiosyncratic and often bullying taskmaster. Vitali and Kubrick worked together for a quarter-century across four films. *Music Box*, 3733 N. Southport Ave., www.musicboxtheatre.com.

THEATER CHRIS JONES

'Macbeth'

"Macbeth" has always been a great bear of a play to put on. It's now at the Yard at Chicago Shakespeare Theater in a production co-directed by Teller and Aaron Posner. There's a thorny issue of logic — as Macbeth, the very skilled Ian Merrill Peakes shows us all of the Thane of Cawdor's soul-shattering guilt and self-doubt, but not the man's ruthless ambition. There is no real way to reconcile the two. That aside, this "Macbeth" is fast-paced, exciting, filled with cool illusions and a terrific introduction to the play for young people. *Through June 24 in the Yard at Chicago Shakespeare on Navy Pier*; \$48-\$88 at 312-595-5600 or www.chicagoshakes.com.

CLASSICAL JOHN VON RHEIN

'L'Oronte'

Haymarket Opera Company: Chicago's period opera ensemble unearths another 17th-century Italian operatic rarity: Antonio Cesti's romantic comedy "L'Oronte." Countertenor Drew Minter and Sarah Edgar direct, with costumer Meriem Bahri heading the design team. The cast includes Ryan Opera Center alumna Emily Fons in the title role, Scott Brunscheen, David Govertsen, Ryan de Ryke, Nathalie Colas and Minter. 7:30 p.m. *Saturday and Tuesday, also 5 p.m. Sunday, Studebaker Theater*, 410 S. Michigan Ave.; \$30-\$85; www.haymarketopera.org.

ART LORI WAXMAN

'Out of Easy Reach'

"Out of Easy Reach," guest curated by Allison M. Glenn, seems determined to eschew singularity. Rather than one location, there are three: the DePaul Art Museum in Lincoln Park, Gallery 400 in the West Loop and Stony Island Arts Bank in Greater Grand Crossing. The two dozen artists are female-identified — women or trans — and they range in age from 26 to 78. A majority are African-American, but Puerto Rico, Mexico, the Caribbean Islands and Iran figure among their genealogies too. Their work ranges from taxonomically displayed hairpieces to spare calligraphy, photographs-in-photographs and powerfully crushed paper. Perhaps it would be easier to simply say what "Out of Easy Reach" is not: not male, not white, not strictly formal, not especially figurative. "Out of Easy Reach" runs through Aug. 5 at DePaul Art Museum, 935 W. Fullerton Ave., 773-325-7506, museums.depaul.edu; Gallery 400, 400 S. Peoria St., 312-996-6114, gallery400.uic.edu; and Stony Island Arts Bank, 6760 S. Stony Island Ave., 312-857-5561, www.rebuild-foundation.org.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Bull in a China Shop' ★★ 1/2

Remarkable woman changes education

At Mount Holyoke in early 20th century, a quest to match top men's liberal arts colleges

By **CHRIS JONES**
 Chicago Tribune

In 1977, the Mount Holyoke College alumna Wendy Wasserstein wrote "Uncommon Women," a sparkling, groundbreaking and deeply moving play about brilliant women at an elite college, all probing their changing identities and priorities in the early 1970s, during the so-called second wave of feminism. But how did Mount Holyoke get to attract all those uncommon women in the first place?

One answer to that question is contained in a more recent play by Bryna Turner, another appreciative Mount Holyoke alumna: the longtime Mount Holyoke President Mary Woolley.

From 1900 to 1937, Woolley dragged a resistant Mount Holyoke away from providing an education in how to be a helpful spouse toward a new identity as a women's liberal arts school that could stand shoulder to shoulder with any competing college aimed at men. She was an uncompromising pioneer in women's education with a prescient understanding of the crucial role of education in emancipation — insisting on intellectual excellence and raising the admission standards to the college. She also had a close relationship with Jeannette Marks, a professor who taught English and theater at the college, and who cared for Woolley later in her life. Woolley never public acknowledged a lesbian relationship; that was not

When: Through June 30

Where: Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.

Running time: 80 minutes

Tickets: \$20-\$38 at 773-975-8150 or www.aboutface-theatre.com

unusual at the time. But in "Bull in a China Shop," now at About Face Theatre, it is a constituent part of her revolutionary acts.

Turner's play is an adoring portrait and, in a nod to the times, she certainly downplays Woolley's rigorous enforcement of academic standards, and her embrace of many of the other facets of elite education, which came at a price for some Mount Holyoke students who found themselves locked out of the school. But if the real Woolley wanted to emulate (or better) the patriarchal schools more than change them, that does not make her any less of a revolutionary. She's a fascinating subject for the play.

I suspect she had much fiercer opposition than you see in Turner's short drama, which features only one student character, which is a strange, if low-cost, choice for a play about life in a college. That puts a lot of pressure on Pearl (the vibrant Aurora Adachi-Winter) to be a kind of all-purpose representative of youth, and, alas, she has no peer with whom to wres-



MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Enjoy Gavino and Kelli Simpkins star in "Bull in a China Shop."

tle. Meanwhile, all of the forces of conservatism are embodied in a dean named Welsh (Mary Beth Fisher), who basically has to keep showing up to report someone else having trouble with what Woolley is doing. It gets a tad repetitive, and it lacks credibility. I understand the need for small-cast plays, but Turner's vision here demands more amplification. Maybe for the movie.

What you really crave is Woolley interacting with students and colleagues, and the play fully embracing the complexity of this remarkable, progressive woman.

When Turner really gets into Woolley's intellectualism and feminist intertention, and her determined but practical management of her lover, the play gains energy and, thanks to a very fine performance from Kelli Simpkins, so does director Keira Fromm's production. But the style of the piece is tricky — it feels to me like Turner couldn't quite decide whether she

wanted to stay in the period, and have people talk accordingly, or embrace a kind of comedic anachronism. Fromm's production struggles mightily with the latter, with some scenes overplayed and some stiff, but the difficulty of establishing a consistent tone starts with the script.

The best moments of this show are two honest monologues. One is when Simpkins gets to be alone on the stage, and you see her diving into the depths of her character and directly communicating, as did Woolley, which is when Simpkins is at her formidable best. The other is when you see Enjoy Gavino's Marks teaching her unseen students — a core revolutionary act, here beautifully expressed. It really is all about trusting these great historic characters and, as far as possible, letting them speak and act for themselves.

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'ACTION POINT' ★

Buckle up for another ride with Knoxville knuckleheads

BY PETER DEBRUGE
Variety

What if Johnny Knoxville and a couple of his buddies from the "Jackass" hurt-yourself-for-the-hell-of-it TV series were put in charge of an amusement park?

Instead of safety being the owners' primary concern, guests would be encouraged to tempt fate on notoriously risky water slides, ziplines and a high-speed downhill toboggan.

That's the lowbrow high concept behind the gleefully brainless "Action Point," which was inspired by just such a death trap in Vernon, N.J., known as Action Park, where much fun was had (and many bones were broken) before a handful of personal injury lawsuits forced its closure in 1996.

Knoxville and his team clearly see this as the ideal stage for a fresh batch of willfully idiotic stunts — one of which was reportedly so severe that it dislodged Knoxville's eyeball, such that it pops out of its socket whenever he sneezes — all in service of a woefully unfunny comedy that's clearly been reverse-engineered to showcase ostensibly amusing (but not really) displays of bodily harm.

The "Jackass" star plays D.C., proprietor of a mixed fun-park-cum-health-hazard in which a bunch of drunk, underage teenagers allow visitors to recklessly endanger themselves in the name of cheap thrills.

There are three things screenwriters John Altschuler and Dave Kirsinsky want audiences to know about this place: First, D.C. has borrowed a lot of money and now stands to lose everything — land and attractions alike — to an insufferable rival-turned-real-estate-shark



Johnny Pemberton, left, and Johnny Knoxville in action.

MPAA rating: R (for crude sexual content, language, drug use, teen drinking, and brief graphic nudity)

Running time: 1:34

named Knobloch (Dan Bakkedahl). Second, business is flagging ever since a more corporate competitor called 7 Parks opened nearby. And third, D.C. must multitask his fight to save Action Point while hosting his 14-year-old daughter Boogie (a wooden Eleanor Worthington-Cox, whose job is apparently to laugh at all Knoxville's antics) for the summer.

That's all the conflict this script needs to set up a series of extravagantly painful pranks, pratfalls and don't-try-this-at-home physical comedy. The trouble is, presenting all of this mayhem within the framework of a by-the-numbers father-daughter bonding story saps the stunts of their appeal.

Judging by a handful of online documentary shorts about the real Action Park, daredevil East Coast teens (too young to recognize the concept of their own mortality) loved the fact that the place was so dangerous,

giving them bragging rights for having survived its most treacherous rides — including two, the Cannonball Loop and Alpine Slide, that are recreated here in all their death-defying peril.

Knoxville frames the entire story from the present, showing up in "Bad Grandpa"-style old-age makeup to reminisce about how things were in 1979, back when such places could exist without fear of being held responsible for their customers' hospital bills (at least six people died at Action Park).

The main character here is Action Point itself, of course, which convincingly looks as if location scouts managed to find a condemned amusement park and subsequently arranged to destroy it, when in fact, they traveled all the way to South Africa, where they constructed this rickety facsimile of the New Jersey venue from scratch.

As with the kind of concussion-inducing rides featured in the movie, thrill-seekers ought to know what they're in for and are strongly encouraged to proceed at their own risk.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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In new town, invites for shakedowns

Dear Amy: Twelve years ago, my husband and I moved to a new city. We settled in, started a family and set about becoming a part of the community. In the beginning, when I received an invitation somewhere, I was excited to go and hopeful that I would make some friends.

I soon realized that most of these invitations were to parties where something was being sold: jewelry, home goods, kitchenware, etc. I have never felt the need to spend money at these parties on overpriced things that I don't need, just for the sake of lining someone else's pocket.

I stopped going to these parties and have grown to resent these invitations. I feel insulted when I receive them now. They're a reminder that these people have never bothered to extend an invitation for lunch or coffee but always remember me when they want people with money to come to their parties.

I was just invited to a graduation party for a child I've never met, thrown by a woman who has never invited me anywhere else except to these "buy" parties. I look at it as a money grab and plan to decline the invite. Am I overreacting?

— *Feeling Used*

Dear Feeling Used: Yes, you are overreacting. As someone who receives countless "invitations" to donate time and (various) talents to individuals or causes, I understand the annoyance of feeling forced to respond to an invitation that is actually a transaction. But then I remember that people have the right to ask any-

thing of anyone. You can respond or not. What you shouldn't do is resent the inclusion, especially if the person offering it doesn't know that you don't want to be included. When it comes to sales parties, you respond with a simple "Please take me off your invitation list."

My theory is that the sort of people who engage in sales parties are also social self-starters who constantly connect without regard to the nuance of any given situation. And so the woman who invited you to the graduation party has a list of people she works from. She throws her invitations into the air, hoping for a 30 percent acceptance rate. It is also possible she likes you and thinks of you as a friend but is numb to the intimacy that graduation parties generally reflect.

You don't mention making any social inroads yourself. To make friends, you have to be brave enough to risk a bid for intimacy, understanding that (in your neighborhood) your invitation for coffee might be misconstrued to be a franchise opportunity. All the same, I hope you'll try.

Dear Amy: My family has a reunion coming up. I volunteered to order all the T-shirts, without any discussion on payment.

What is proper etiquette? Should every family member pay for a shirt? Or, since I volunteered, am I responsible for the cost? I have no problem absorbing the cost, but some family members insist on paying while some have stayed mum. Do you have any guidance?

— *Confused*

Dear Confused: I don't see this as an etiquette question so much as a communication issue.

You volunteered to take on this task, and you didn't let people know how you would like to handle payment. I imagine some family members assume you have generously donated these keepsakes. Others might not realize you have paid for them out of your pocket, assuming they were bought through the family reunion fund.

If you can shoulder the cost, you should give these shirts to family members. If some offer or insist on paying, it would be generous of you to donate that money to offset some other reunion costs.

Dear Amy: "Disapproving Wife" didn't like the fact that her husband was giving a local homeless man (who claimed to be dying) a beer every day.

Amy, when my father had a stroke, he was forced to stop smoking, cold turkey. I followed the doctor's directives and denied him. He went through terrible withdrawal for the last three months of his life.

If I had known then what I know now, I would have given him cigarettes at every opportunity. In addition to his other health problems at the time, he was dying.

— *Learned Too Late*

Dear Learned Too Late: I hear you.

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TELEVISION REVIEW

Ryan Murphy's 'Pose' strikes familiar notes

BY VERNE GAY
Newsday

In this Ryan Murphy series about '80s "Ball Culture" — part of the LGBT subculture in New York, where people who belonged to "houses" competed at fashion and dance balls — Blanca Rodriguez (transgender actress Mj Rodriguez) has decided she wants to launch her own house.

What it's about: First, the

hard part: She has to break with Elektra (Dominique Jackson), the "mother," or leader, of the most successful house of them all. Elektra's not happy, less so when Blanca starts to go after some of her stars, like Angel (Indya Moore) and attracts promising newcomers of her own, like Damon Richards (Ryan Jamaal Swain). Meanwhile, in a world apart, Stan Bowes (Evan Peters) gets a job at Trump Tower working for the loathsome Matt

Bromley (James Van Der Beek). And then Stan meets Angel.

My say: There's a line of dialogue deep in next week's episode that lands squarely on what "Pose" wants to be, or — more exactly — the injustice it wants to redress. Here's the setup: Blanca is trying to recruit someone from Elektra's house to her own, and for some reason decides that "the best gay bar in the Village two years running" is the perfect venue for her hard sell.

At least until the bartender, oozing attitude and snark, saunters over to say: "I've got 10 guys over here asking me if it's drag night."

An offended Blanca says: "I'm sorry but we're not in drag. We're women."

Anticipating how all this is going to go down — which is not well — the

would-be recruit from House Elektra then explains to Blanca that "everybody needs someone to make them feel superior. That line ends with us. This runs downhill, past the women, the blacks, the Latins, gays, until it reaches the bottom and lands on our kind."

"Our kind" are transgender women, circa 1987, who can't get served at a bar, who can't get jobs and who can't get justice. They have zero representation in pop culture, or gay culture, save the one they make for themselves. Circa 2018, there remain vestiges of this: RuPaul recently said that trans women would "probably not" be allowed to appear on "RuPaul's Drag Race" because "once you start changing your body... it changes the whole concept of what we're doing."



Dominique Jackson is leader of House Elektra in "Pose."

And so, it's worth pointing out here that "Pose" is absolutely not a fictional version of "Drag Race." It's not even about drag.

This isn't a fine point, but one that Murphy wants to underscore. With a few rare exceptions ("Transparent"), television has ignored the trans community. "Pose" is the defiant exception: Virtually the entire cast is composed of LGBT actors, and apparently not

an inconsiderable number of people behind the camera too. Two years ago, Murphy launched his "Half" initiative to hire more female directors and bring more people of color and those from the LGBT community into TV. "Pose" essentially represents that good work.

Nevertheless, good intentions don't always lead to good TV, and that appears to be the case with "Pose." This isn't bad TV, but it's often bland TV, and oddly enough, stock TV. We've all seen a series like this. Murphy and Brad Falchuk (also an executive producer here) essentially perfected the formula with "Glee." Predictably, the show comes alive in the "ballrooms," which swirl with color and life. Also (less predictably), it comes to a crawl everywhere else. Van Der Beek's Bromley is a caricature of a corporate goon — so outsized, and silly, you can't begin to take him seriously (and maybe you aren't supposed to). Peters — Quicksilver of the "X-Men" franchise — seems out of place here too. There's something sinister about this well-scrubbed suburban dad who discovers his soulmate in Angel.

"Pose" has eight episodes to get the formula right. Maybe it will, maybe not. Otherwise, diversity and inclusion should at least remain the bona fide accomplishments.

Bottom line: A diverse and transgender cast is the highlight of a series otherwise rooted in formula.

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Dale and Amy Earnhardt

"Renovation Realities: Dale Jr. & Amy" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., DIY): NBC Sports NASCAR analyst Dale Earnhardt Jr., a third-generation race car champion in his own right, joins his wife, Amy, an interior designer, for this new four-episode series, in which the couple undertake the transformation of a shabby 150-year-old historic home in Key West, Fla., into a breathtaking coastal retreat.

"Taken" (7 p.m., NBC): As the agents search for the abducted son of a CIA analyst, they get surprising help from another kidnap victim in the new episode "ACGT." Hart (Jennifer Beals) learns the connection between, and the reason for, both disappearances. Clive Standen, Adam Goldberg and Jessica Camacho also star.

"Marrying Mr. Darcy" (8 p.m., Hallmark): A sequel to the well-received 2016 romantic comedy "Unleashing Mr. Darcy," this new TV movie opens six months after the events in that earlier film. Schoolteacher Elizabeth Scott (Cindy Busby) and philanthropist Donovan Darcy (Ryan Paevy) are deliriously in love and, after she accepts his proposal, they're looking forward to a small autumn wedding — until his imperious Aunt Violet (Francis Fisher) wades in and initiates plans for a far more formal ceremony scant weeks away.

"Hailey Dean Mysteries" (8 p.m., HMM): Kellie Martin returns as attorney-turned-shrink Hailey Dean in the 2017 mystery "Dating Is Murder." Once again, Hailey finds herself drawn into a police investigation when a new dating app that has drawn a large pool of users provides a link to multiple missing persons cases around the city. Reuniting with her old sleuthing team, Hailey soon discovers the inherent risk of intimate online connections, so she wastes no time in pursuing a killer before other victims fall prey.

"Die Another Day" (8:30 p.m., AMC): James Bond (Pierce Brosnan) must contend with a jinx — actually, a spying counterpart whose name is Jinx (Halle Berry) — in this fast-paced 20th chapter of the 007 screen adventures. After being captured and tortured in North Korea, Bond goes to Cuba and Iceland to seek his betrayer and battle a tycoon (Toby Stephens) who's determined to start another world war. Madonna has a cameo in the 2002 adventure.

"68 Kill" (9 p.m., Showtime): Matthew Gray Gubler ("Criminal Minds") stars in writer-director Trent Haaga's very violent 2017 adaptation of Bryan Smith's crime novel, playing Chip, a mild-mannered sewer worker whose shady bombshell of a girlfriend, Liza (AnnaLynne McCord), browbeats him mercilessly. She alternately bullies and seduces him into helping her with a burglary, but after things go south and result in a double murder, a disgusted Chip tries to break away from Liza. Alisha Boe, Sheila Vand and Sam Eidon also star.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Marek Janowski sparks CSO in overdue downtown debut

By JOHN VON RHEIN
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra has been on something of a campaign in recent seasons to reach out to respected podium veterans who, for one reason or another, have fallen off the local radar — or were never there to begin with — but who deserve a berth on the downtown series.

That initiative resulted in Herbert Blomstedt's re-engagement in March and, this weekend, the much-belated CSO subscription concerts debut of the distinguished, Polish-born German conductor Marek Janowski, whose only previous appearances were at Ravinia in 1982 and 1991.

Taking charge of a program of German Romantic repertory pieces that are his specialty, Thursday night at Symphony Center, Janowski made up for lost time with a program that carried deep satisfactions. The results were comparable to what a master restorer of vintage paintings would achieve through his art. Centuries of grime and yellowed varnish were removed, revealing the original colors in all their pristine glory.

You could read the respect the Chicago musicians have for Janowski just from the way they hunched forward in their chairs, eager to give him everything he asked for. And you could hear it in the bracing vigor he elicited from them in standard works by Weber, Beethoven and Wagner that proved anything but standard in the extra degree of involvement that marked their performances.

At 79, Janowski, who takes up the post of chief conductor of the Dresden Philharmonic in 2019-20, has directed virtually all the major orchestras of the world, and in every major

opera house including Lyric Opera, where he led memorable performances of Wagner's "Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg" in 1985 and Mozart's "The Magic Flute" in 1996.

He has, moreover, amassed a huge discography that includes two Wagner "Ring" cycles (recorded 30 years apart) and the other mature Wagner operas, along with much of the German repertory in which his experienced authority and refusal to parrot stale performance traditions have been widely praised.

Devoting the program's second half to the Overture and Venusberg Music from Wagner's "Tannhauser" and the Act I and Act III preludes to "Die Meistersinger," Janowski steered an interpretive midcourse between the approaches once espoused here by Daniel Barenboim and Georg Solti.

His Wagner was neither luxuriantly Old World romantic in the Barenboim manner nor as fiercely dramatic as Solti's could be. Swift, clear, mobile, linear in phrasing, relatively light in texture — this was Wagner harking back to the early

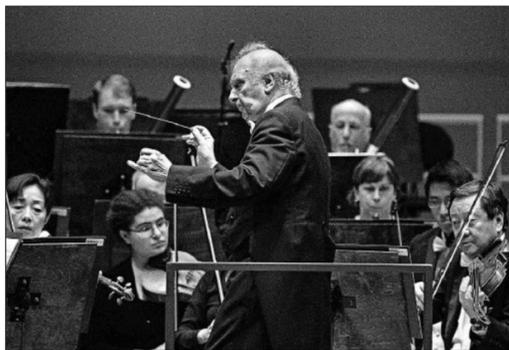
German Romantic world of Carl Maria von Weber, whose "Euryanthe" Overture opened the program in a crisp, high-energy reading bursting with idiomatic character.

Other orchestras have been allowed greater weight in the stately chords that open the "Tannhauser" Overture, but none has a trombone choir as magnificent as Chicago's to underscore their solemnity. Nor do any of Janowski's current rivals in this repertory have his knack for clarifying the ripe harmonies and rich scoring of the Venusberg bacchanal, while in no way diminishing the music's whirling sensuality. I liked the extra presence he gave the cellos amid the pliant warmth of overall string sound.

Similar virtues marked his handling of the "Meistersinger" preludes. The serious tone of the third-act excerpt brought no trace of heaviness or thickness. The Act I prelude pressed forward steadily over firm rhythm and a carefully balanced soundstage. Janowski's keen ear missed neither forest nor trees, and

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 2

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Ransom: "The Fawn." (N) © HD	Hawaii Five-0: "Kama'oma'o, Ka 'Aina Huli Hana."	48 Hours © HD				News (N) ▶
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	ABC 7	The Bachelorette © HD				20/20 © HD		Eyewitness News (N) ▶
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	This TV 9.3	The Saint ©	The Saint ©			The Saint ©		The Saint ▶
	PBS 11	Perry Como Classics: Till the End of Time (My Music) (N) ©		Frank Sinatra: The Voice of Our Time (N) ©				Rhythm, Love ▶
	The U 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Burgers
	MeTV 26.3	Svengoolie: "Werewolf of London." ©				Batman ©	Batman ©	Star Trek ▶
	H&I 26.4	Black Sheep Squadron	Hunter			Hunter: "The Legacy."		Wiseguy ▶
	Bounce 26.5	★ (6) Antwone Fisher ★★★	Training Day (R,'01) ★★★			Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke.		
	FOX 32	★ (6) MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at New York Mets. From Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. (N) (Live) © HD				Fox 32 News (N)	Inside the Bears	Love Connection ▶
	Ion 38	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU ▶
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CW 50	Rizzoli & Isles ©	Rizzoli & Isles ©			Major Crimes ©		Crimes ▶	
UniMas 60	★ (6) El circo (NR,'42) ★★	Oro y polvo (NR,'15)	Victor Alfonso, Cody Kasch.				Dragon ▶	
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Univ 66	★ (6:30) Fútbol: Amistoso internacional. (N) (Live)				La bella y las bestias (N)		Maria	
CABLE	AE	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©	Live PD: "Live PD -- 06.02.18." (N) (Live) © ▶					
	AMC	★ (5:30) The World Is Not Enough ★★	Die Another Day (PG-13,'02) ★★ Pierce Brosnan. © ▶					
	ANIM	Expedition Unknown	Expedition Unknown	Weird, True & Freaky (N)				Monsters ▶
	BBCA	The X-Files ©	The X-Files: "Bad Blood."			The X-Files ©		X-Files ▶
	BET	Notorious (R,'09) ★★ Angela Bassett, Derek Luke.						Get Rich ▶
	BIGTEN	Indiana Football Classic	Campus	Nebraska				Nebraska
	BRAVO	★ (6:02) Meet the Parents	(8:12) Meet the Parents	(PG-13,'00) ★★★ Robert De Niro. ©				
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	FX	★ (5) Pitch Perfect 2 ★★ ©	Grown Ups 2 (PG-13,'13) ★★ Adam Sandler. ©					Legion © ▶
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	MSNBC	The Last Word	The 11th Hour			Deadline: White House		Hardball ▶
MTV	What Happens in Vegas (PG-13,'08) ★ Cameron Diaz. ©				(9:40) Baby Mama ★★★			
NBCSCH	★ Minor Baseball (N)	White Sox	Point		MLB Baseball: Brewers at White Sox ▶			
NICK	Nicky (N)	Knight	Full House	Full House	Full House		Friends ▶	
OVATION	★ (5) Alexander (R,'04) ★★ Colin Farrell. ©				Artful Detective ©		Karate Kid ▶	
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OXY	The Case of: Caylee Anthony: "Part One." ©				The Case of: Caylee Anthony © ▶			
PARMT	★ (6:30) The Waterboy (PG-13,'98) ★	Grown Ups (PG-13,'10) ★ Adam Sandler. © ▶						
SYFY	★ A.I.: Artificial (7:45) The Last Witch Hunter (PG-13,'15) ★★ Vin Diesel. ©						Futurama	
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	SHO	★ The Sum of All Fears ★★ Patrick Melrose (N) ©				68 Kill (R,'17) Matthew Gray Gubler. ▶		
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STZNC	(7:04) Kingpin (PG-13,'96) ★★ Woody Harrelson.				Spartacus: Vengeance		Blade ★★ ▶	



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Conductor Marek Janowski leads the CSO in a program featuring Beethoven and Wagner on Thursday.

when the brasses emerged in full cry in the final pages, you felt the absolute musical integrity behind the exultant effect.

In a documentary video released in the early 1990s, Janowski remarks that a conductor's gestures should exclusively reflect the sound produced by the orchestra, rather than showing off or serving as commentary. That observation reflected the musical

honesty behind everything he directed Thursday, but particularly the brisk, vigorous Beethoven Symphony No. 4 that shared the first half with the "Euryanthe" Overture.

Janowski favored fast tempos and clipped accents in the modern Beethoven style, but, rather than come off as mannerisms, his choices gave unusual crispness to the rhythms and clarity to the textures.

Balances were sensitively maintained, and the soft playing the strings produced, here and in the Weber overture, was beautiful indeed. Above all, this was a Fourth bursting with the Beethovenian life force — driving energy distilled to its essence.

Apart from a messy violin attack near the beginning, the playing was admirable, and admirably electric. I can't recall when I have enjoyed a Beethoven symphony performance this much in quite some time.

Thursday's crowd clearly was in Janowski's corner, cheering vociferously. I trust the CSO management won't wait another 27 years before bringing him back.

The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$34-\$221; 312-294-3000, www.cso.org

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (June 2): Your work, health and labors flower this year. Reassess financial plans. A surprise provokes alternative directions. Discipline pays long-term benefits. A cash flow surge this summer supports an exploration before a creative buzz harmonizes. Collaborate for shared profits. It's all for family.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Share what you're learning. Friends have creative ideas for practical solutions. Speculate about seemingly impossible dreams. Things may not be as they seem.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Career opportunities arise over the next two days. Do what you love. Accept a gift when it's offered. Give thanks, and share appreciations.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Make plans for a dream trip, and chart necessary actions. Study and explore options for a few days. Investigate and discover.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Don't rely on an unstable financial source. Accept or offer assistance. New expenses or changing circumstances require adaptation and cooperation. Coordinate actions.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Listen to suggestions from someone you love. You don't know it all, especially about money. Collaborate and compromise to find the sweet spot.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Go for a big goal, and take great strides toward it. Dedication and energy take satisfying ground. Fundamentally, keep showing up.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. You're especially lucky in love for a few days. Take advantage by relaxing and savoring the company of beloved people. Humor eases any rough spots.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Your home is your sanctuary. Get something you've always wanted. Cook something delicious. Hang out with family and friends. Tend your garden.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Practice your creative arts and skills over the next few days. You're especially brilliant. Get the word out about your latest project.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Your paycheck is a fabulous morale booster. Unexpected expenses require adaptation. Tap into reserves? Add to them when you can. Consider unorthodox funding sources.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. You're especially powerful and confident today and tomorrow. Prepare to launch a personal passion project. Push a dream closer to reality.

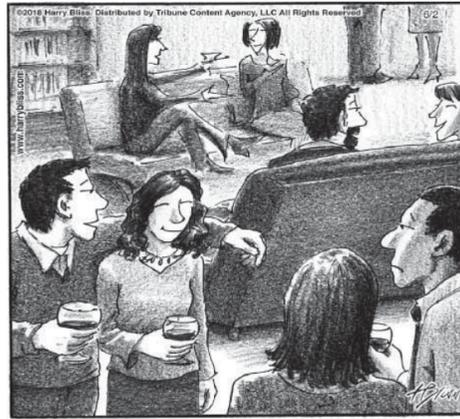
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 6. Peace soothes your spirit over the next few days. Get productive in private tranquility. Consider recent changes. Discover hidden beauty.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

North
 ♠ A Q 8 7 5
 ♥ 6 4
 ♦ A
 ♣ A K 10 9 3

South
 ♠ K J 9 4 2
 ♥ A Q 9
 ♦ Q 8 7 3
 ♣ Void

West
 ♠ 6
 ♥ K J 10 8 3
 ♦ K J 10 6 2
 ♣ 5 2

East
 ♠ 10 3
 ♥ 7 5 2
 ♦ 5 4
 ♣ Q J 8 7 6 4

North was aggressive when he bid the grand slam, but not overly so. Had either one of South's red queens been the queen of clubs instead, the grand would have been excellent.

South won the opening trump lead with his jack and drew the remaining trump by leading a low spade to dummy's ace. The ace of diamonds was cashed, followed

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	2♣*	3♥**	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♥	Pass	7♠	All pass

*Hearts and a minor, at least 5-5
 **Spade fit with at least invitational values
 Opening lead: Six of ♠

by the ace and king of clubs. South discarded his nine and queen of hearts on the high clubs. He ruffed a club, which confirmed that West's original distribution had been 1-5-5-2.

South could not be defeated at this point as long as West held the king of

diamonds. Declarer led the queen of diamonds, covered by the king, and ruffed in the dummy. He crossed back to his hand with the ace of hearts and led the nine of diamonds. This was covered with the 10 and ruffed in dummy. A heart ruff allowed South to lead the eight of diamonds, covered with the jack and ruffed with dummy's last trump. A club ruff backed to his hand left South with the established seven of diamonds for his thirteenth trick.

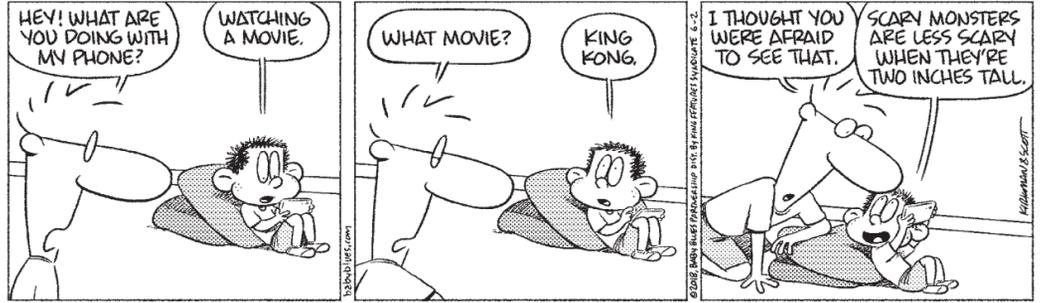
Once again we see a two-suited bid backfire when it fails to find a fit. The help it gave to declarer on this deal was devastating. Perhaps these bids are over-rated? We'll be on the lookout for deals that show these bids in a better light.

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Baby Blues



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Mr. Boffo



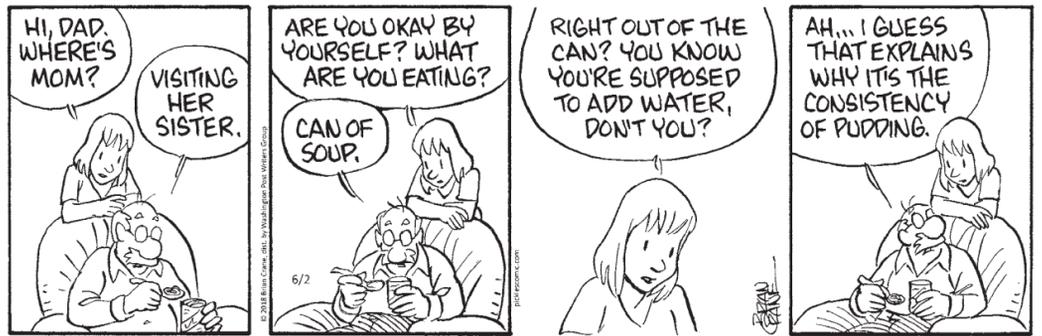
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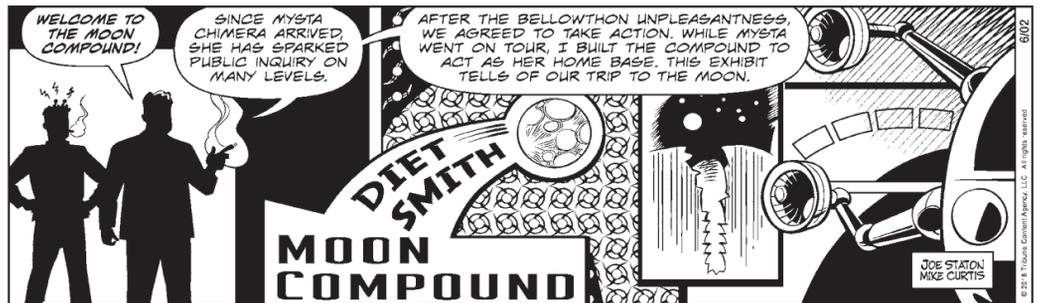
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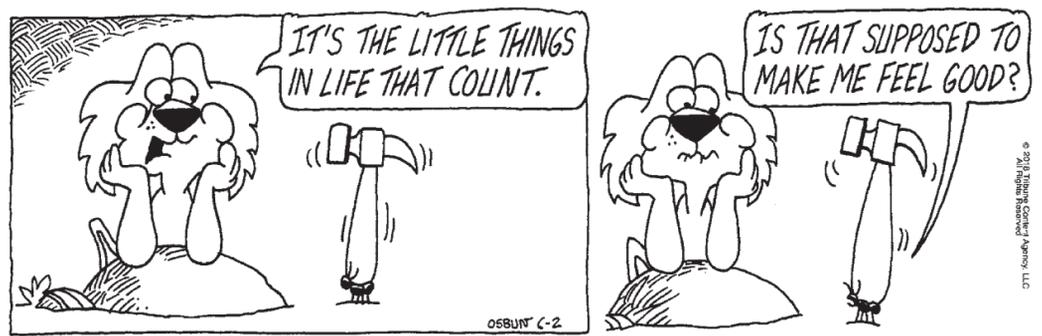
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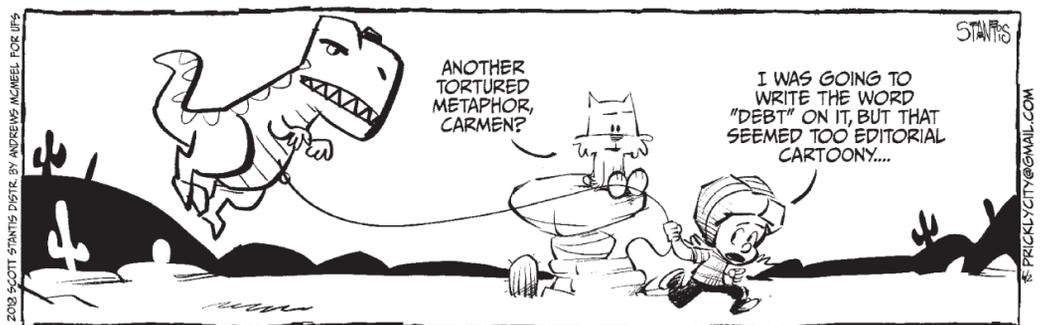
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Animal Crackers



Prickly City



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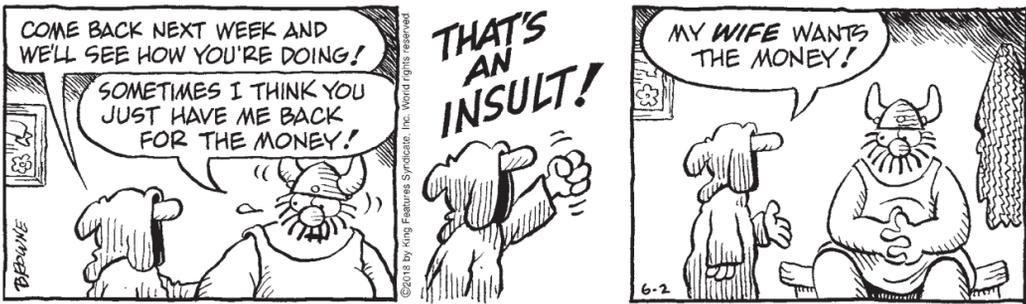
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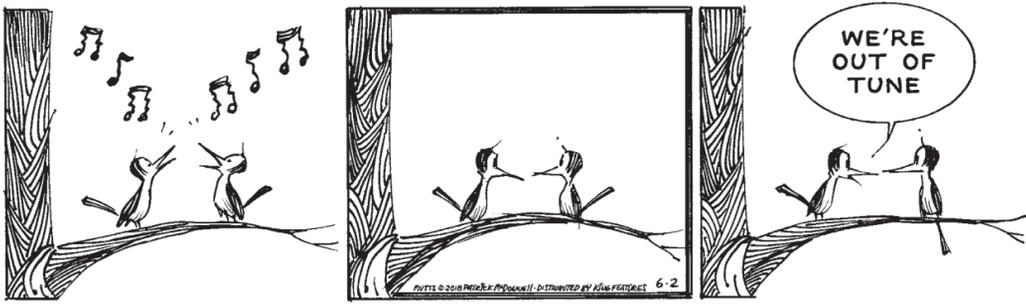
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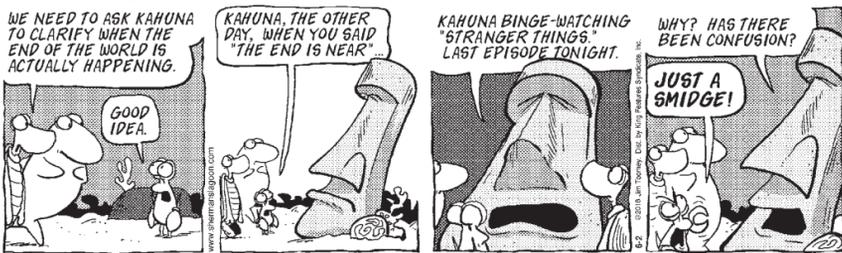
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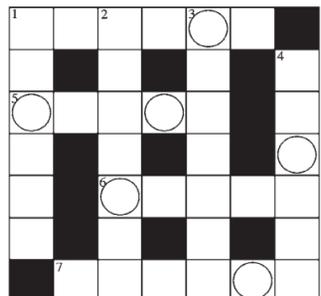
Trivia Bits

What's the national flower of Austria?

- A) Cyclamen
- B) Edelweiss
- C) Lilac
- D) Saxifrage

Friday's answer: Most of the world's cork comes from Portugal.

Jumble Crossword



- ACROSS**
- CLUE ANSWER
 - 1. Commotion AROUP
 - 5. Garment part LEALP
 - 6. Seaport in Nigeria GASOL
 - 7. Type of hat OEAADR
- DOWN**
- CLUE ANSWER
 - 1. Different KENIUL
 - 2. Drive back PSELRUE
 - 3. Rapid in tempo RLEGOLA
 - 4. Medication AEASNU

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

DOUBLE BONUS

The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.

CLUE: Appeal

CLUE: Type of flowering plant

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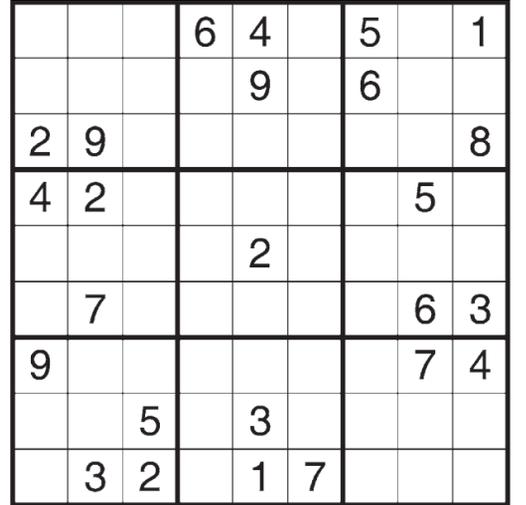
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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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7	9	6	4	1	8	5	2	3
5	2	1	8	3	6	4	9	7
6	7	8	2	4	9	1	3	5
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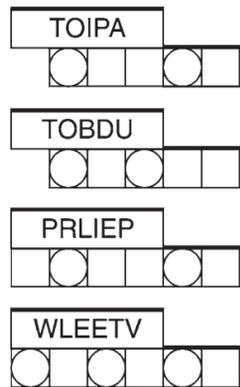
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Friday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



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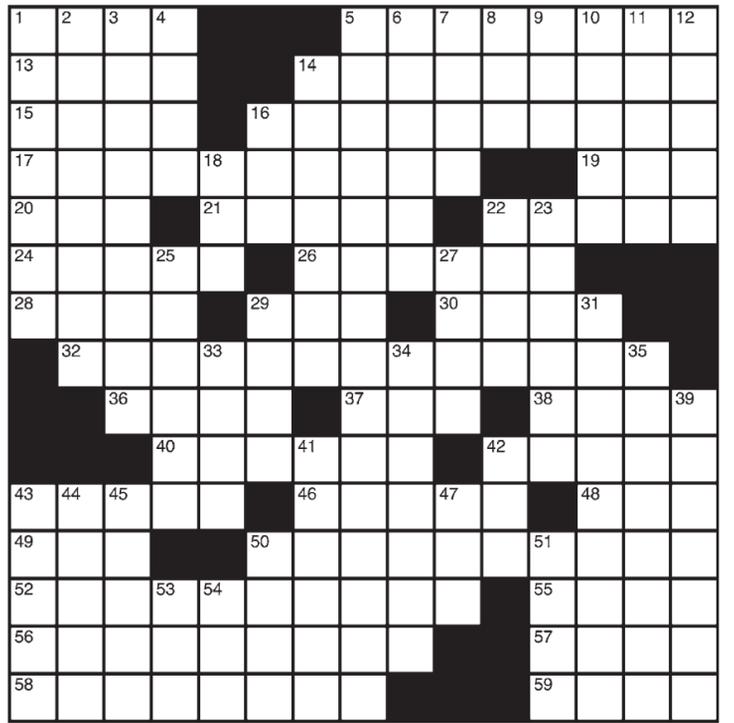
Friday's answers

Jumbles: CATCH ITCHY PARLOR EMERGE
Answer: When Nate Sherman started Midas Muffin in 1956, it was a great — "CAR-REAR" CHOICE

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Crossword

6/2



Across

- 1 Pitch sign
- 5 Saturn, for one
- 13 Super-fancy
- 14 Slightly more than a one-man show
- 15 Most eligible for service
- 16 Pluralis majestatis
- 17 Bee's home
- 19 Te __: iconic Chickasaw actress
- 20 Layer of very large eggs
- 21 Grilled, in Mexican fare
- 22 Jefferson, for one
- 24 Slangy "Absolutely!"
- 26 Add
- 28 Pixy __: candy
- 29 Modern navigation aid
- 30 Some Spitzes, for short
- 32 Rhetorical question to one who's too good to be true

- 36 Scandinavian name akin to Nicholas
- 37 "Code Switch" aircr
- 38 "No more!"
- 40 Fired at the table?
- 42 Member of a Hindu trinity
- 43 Ones with wide spines
- 46 Young partner
- 48 Image quality word
- 49 Long Reach Dusting System brand
- 50 Rainforest visitor
- 52 Act naturally
- 55 Chaps competitor
- 56 Powerful slitherer
- 57 Red Lobster has one for kids
- 58 Wolverines rivals
- 59 Meeting of two sides

- 14 __ arts
- 16 Symbols after many brand names
- 18 Remote fillers
- 22 Christian on a runway
- 23 Interlace
- 25 Liz, to Richard, twice
- 27 Incite
- 29 Minor in astronomy?
- 31 Sent up
- 33 Shakespeare title starter
- 34 Like some summer shoes
- 35 Many a Top-40 hit
- 39 Outstanding and then some
- 41 Certain Saudi
- 42 Stand-up comic Gilliam
- 43 Company that developed Bazooka Joe
- 44 Yellow perennial
- 45 Chief Tui's daughter, in a Disney film
- 47 One day, in "The Martian"
- 50 Peak in Catania
- 51 Winter coat
- 53 Ending with law
- 54 "Was __ das?"

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**WHITE SOX 8,
BREWERS 3**

Big boost big help vs. best in the NL

Farquhar 1st pitch gives emotional lift ahead of surprising victory

By PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

Beware the reverse lock. It's always lurking at a baseball stadium, and to the delight of White Sox fans it arrived shortly after Danny Farquhar on Friday night at Guaranteed Rate Field.

The Brewers have the best bullpen and the best defense in the majors based on various metrics. The Sox are on track to set a franchise record for losses, a distinction that requires no advanced analytics.

But that script was flipped as Rick Renteria's team won 8-3 in the opener of a three-game inter-league series.

Credit Farquhar's ceremonial first pitch — delivered just six weeks after he suffered a life-threatening brain hemorrhage in the dugout during an April 20 game against the Astros — for setting the right tone and the Sox bullpen for stepping up in his honor.

"It was awesome," Sox starter Hector Santiago said. "A month and a half ago, we were thinking he could lose his life in the situation he was in, and you'll never know if he'll be able to come on the field again. It was very nice seeing him out there."

Nate Jones, who caught Farquhar's toss, worked the ninth to finish 5²/₃ hitless innings for Sox relievers against the National League Central leaders.

The Sox broke open a 3-3 tie after chasing starter Chase Anderson, with Tim Anderson's vicious liner against Matt Albers the biggest blow. It bounced away from left fielder Christian Yelich, allowing two runs to score and Anderson to reach third.

That misplay was preceded by one from third baseman Travis Shaw in another three-run inning, the third. His wild throw to first

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CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Sox's Tim Anderson lines a two-run triple into left field Friday night against the Brewers.

UP NEXT

Brewers (Chacin 3-1, 3.69) at **White Sox** (Shields 1-5, 4.54) 1:10 p.m. Saturday, NBCSCH



JULIE JACOBSON/AP

Kyle Schwarber motions to the dugout as he rounds the bases after hitting a three-run homer in the eighth inning of Friday's win over the Mets.

CUBS 7, METS 4

Better by a bit

Chatwood takes tentative steps as Cubs rally late

By MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

NEW YORK — A retooled Tyler Chatwood managed to spread his four walks through 5¹/₃

innings Friday night. So while there's still plenty of room for improvement, the baby steps Chatwood, with help from Randy Rosario, enabled the Cubs to mount one of their most enjoyable comeback victories of the season.

Kris Bryant's two-out RBI single capped a methodical three-run rally in the seventh inning to break a 2-2 tie and help the Cubs

UP NEXT

Cubs (Montgomery 1-1, 4.35) at **Mets** (deGrom 4-0, 1.52) 6:15 p.m. Saturday, FOX-32

pull away for a 7-4 victory over the Mets, their fifth triumph in six games.

The rally took Chatwood off the hook, but the fact he was able to limit the Mets to two runs

serves as a victory of sorts after he had walked 11 batters in his previous 5¹/₃ innings covering two starts.

Manager Joe Maddon noticed that Chatwood worked at a more comfortable pace, thanks in part to pitching out of the stretch position exclusively.

"Nothing wrong with that,"

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George Hill's second free throw with 4.7 seconds left in Game 1 didn't fall, setting off a chain of events that pinned an OT loss on the Cavs.

NBA FINALS

Cavs' charge: Forget Game 1 ending

Series-opening OT loss difficult, but Lue says 'confidence ... not shaken'

By TANIA GANGULI
Los Angeles Times

OAKLAND, Calif. — George Hill couldn't sleep Thursday night. He kept watching the free throw he missed with less than five seconds remaining in regulation over and over again.

"... One of the worst feelings," the Cavaliers guard said Friday.

He blamed himself. That free throw might have sealed a Game 1 victory over the Warriors in the NBA Finals.

But he also knew it was time to move on.

GAME 2



Cavs at Warriors
7 p.m. Sun., ABC-7
Warriors lead 1-0

"I have great teammates who have been in my ear, even (Friday) morning," Hill said. "(They're) telling me to forget about it, continue to just focus on the next game and don't let it linger."

The Cavaliers began Friday to pull themselves out of the haze of a brutally disappointing 124-114 overtime loss, one that came despite a 51-point performance by LeBron James. They started the work of moving on to Game 2 on Sunday at Oracle Arena.

As they did that, the Cavaliers realized something: They now

know how to beat the Warriors. And the Warriors, who felt lucky to emerge victorious, know that too.

The narrative of this series has shifted, at least for now.

"Listen, we're not broken, all right?" Cavaliers coach Tyronn Lue said. "We lost a game. You've got to win four in the series. We understand that. It was a tough game for us. We played well enough to win, but we didn't."

"Now we've got to move on. The guys' confidence is not shaken. We'll see what we need to do and how we need to perform to win. We have the blueprint, so now we have to execute at a higher level."

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NHL

STANLEY CUP FINAL

Orpik stays relevant in Caps' Cup quest

Veteran defenseman steady force for club in search of 1st title



HELENE ELLIOTT
On the NHL

WASHINGTON — Capitals defenseman Brooks Orpik, eight months past his 37th birthday, doesn't move as fast as he once did. Not that he ever was a speedster. He's an old-school, physical defender who clears opponents from the front of his net and rarely jumps into the play or figures in his team's scoring exploits.

It was no surprise, then, that he was the slowest Capital to lift his stick in celebration Wednesday after he scored what stood as the winning goal in a 3-2 victory over the Golden Knights that evened the Stanley Cup Final at a game apiece.

Orpik's dazed expression as he fist-bumped teammates on the bench conveyed his astonishment at his first goal since Feb. 26, 2016 — a span of 220 regular-season and playoff games. Their grins conveyed how much he means to them.

"Brooksie's so important to our group. The players know it. He's really played his best this spring," defenseman Matt Niskanen said Friday after the Capitals practiced in advance of Game 3 on Saturday at Capital One Arena.

"It kind of defies logic with his age, but I don't think we're surprised by it with what a professional he is. And what a competitor. The guy is just all heart, and, boy, nice to see him get rewarded with a big goal the other night. He's been a rock for us."

Orpik took a slick pass from Lars Eller and let loose a shot that caromed off the arm of Knights forward Alex Tuch and off the post before entering the net 9 minutes, 41 seconds into the second period.

He still seemed baffled Friday, when he was asked if he had forgotten what goal scorers usually do.

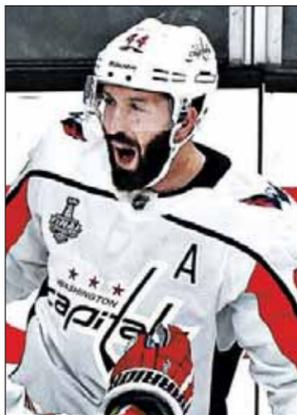
"I can't remember if I celebrated," said Orpik, who had a bandage on his left little finger as a souvenir of a late slash in Game 2. "It was obviously a big moment, so it was pretty exciting."

It might not have happened if the expansion draft that filled out the Knights' roster last June had gone differently.

Orpik's ice time in 2016-17 had declined to its lowest point in nearly a decade, reflecting the increasing value of speed and puck-moving ability for NHL defensemen. The Capitals were grooming youngster Nate Schmidt to take on a top-four role, which would have pushed Orpik out of the picture, but the Knights claimed Schmidt in the expansion draft.

Capitals general manager Brian MacLellan tried to get Schmidt back, but the teams couldn't agree on a deal. Schmidt has excelled in Vegas, and Orpik, paired with a variety of partners, pushed his average ice time back above 19 minutes. During the playoffs, he's averaging 16:59.

"Sometimes those stay-at-home guys are very valuable," said Capitals coach Barry Trotz, who



ETHAN MILLER/GETTY

"It kind of defies logic with his age. ... The guy is just all heart."

— Matt Niskanen on 37-year-old teammate Brooks Orpik, above

has defended Orpik's low analytical and advanced-stat ratings. "They can box you out, they can protect your goaltender in terms of not (facing) second and third shots, those type of things. So they're quite valuable in series where there's a lot of net pressure and a lot of low play."

Trotz prefers to judge players more on what he feels and sees than by analytics. Orpik disregards analytics entirely.

"I don't think it really reflects anyone's value," he said. "I kind of have a brief understanding of what they are. As a team this year, I guess we have had shot numbers or whatever, and our team did pretty well."

"I couldn't tell you what guys' numbers are. There's probably guys that have good numbers that I wouldn't want as teammates and guys that have bad ones that I'd want as teammates."

The most important number now is three, as in the number of additional wins each team needs to hoist the Cup. For the Capitals, who are 4-5 at Capital One Arena during the playoffs, home ice must become an advantage. To get fans in a festive mood, they plan to host an outdoor concert featuring Sting and Shaggy, and they enlisted hockey fan and "Wheel of Fortune" host Pat Sajak to introduce the players.

That won't match the pregame extravaganzas the Knights stage at home, but the Capitals hope to save their best entertainment for their first home Cup Final game since 1998. Postseason scoring leader Evgeny Kuznetsov, who left Game 2 after sustaining an upper-body injury in the first period, skated in Friday's optional practice, but Trotz said the Russian forward hasn't gotten medical clearance and will be a game-time decision.

The Knights are 6-2 on the road and haven't lost consecutive playoff games.

"You lose one game, you don't hit the panic button," coach Gerard Gallant said. "Now it's a best-of-five series and it's getting a lot of fun."

Scoring goals won't be a regular occurrence for Orpik. He hopes winning will be.

"Getting one in Vegas sets us up for a good opportunity here," he said. "We've just got to make the most of it."

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STANLEY CUP FINAL | SERIES TIED 1-1

Game 1	Golden Knights 6, Capitals 4		
Game 2	Capitals 3, Golden Knights 2		
Game 3	Saturday in Washington	7 p.m.	NBCSN
Game 4	Monday in Washington	7 p.m.	NBC-5
Game 5	Thursday in Las Vegas	7 p.m.	NBC-5
Game 6*	June 10 in Washington	7 p.m.	NBC-5
Game 7*	June 13 in Washington	7 p.m.	NBC-5

*if necessary

NBA



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Mohamed Bamba, a 6-foot-11 center, averaged a double-double and 3.7 blocks at Texas in 2017-18.

Taste of Chicago

Long-armed Bamba works out for Bulls, likes what he sees

BY MALIKA ANDREWS
Chicago Tribune

Mohamed Bamba reported to the Advocate Center on Friday morning to do a solo workout with the Bulls.

Some combination of Deandre Ayton, Luka Doncic, Jaren Jackson Jr. and Marvin Bagley III will likely be the top four picks in this month's draft, leaving Bamba as one of the players who could be available when the Bulls pick at No. 7.

"Chicago is a great city," Bamba said after his workout. "I could see myself playing here."

"They have a lot of talent in a lot of different areas. It's a really young team — I think the oldest guy is Robin (Lopez). I'm not

sure how old he is (30), but he's not exactly the oldest guy...I look forward to really getting to know these teams."

As a freshman at Texas, Bamba averaged 12.9 points, 10.5 rebounds and 3.7 blocks, which was the second-highest average in the nation. The consensus on most draft boards is that the long-limbed 19-year-old will be a lottery pick.

Of course, Bamba is confident he could be the first pick and told reporters that when he was in Chicago for the draft combine. He reiterated the sentiment in his post-workout interview.

Bamba has drawn comparisons to the Jazz's Rudy Gobert for his shot-blocking ability. Standing 6-foot-11 with a 7-10 wingspan, Bamba sees shot blocking as an area in which he can help the Bulls, who ranked last in the league in that category in 2017-18 with 3.5 per game.

"I like to think of myself as a pretty good shot blocker," said Bamba, who blocked 111 shots in 30 games at Texas.

Since the season ended Bamba has been working with trainer Drew Hanlen in Los Angeles. He said that Hanlen has been trying to improve his shooting, especially from beyond the 3-point line.

Bamba said his hourlong workout Friday included 3-point drills, taking measurements and some work in the paint. He said he had been feeling sick for the last couple of days.

This was the first pre-draft workout Bamba has done. He plans to complete three or four more but would not say for which teams he will be working out. The draft will take place June 21 in New York.

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Cavs' aim: Move on from tough loss

Finals, from Page 1

The Warriors winning Game 1 was expected. Few expected the Cavaliers to put up much of a fight. Many, bored by the idea of a fourth straight meeting between these teams, expected a dull and predictable series.

But if Game 1 didn't shatter that preconceived notion, it at least made a dent. The way the Warriors took their 1-0 series lead was not expected.

"We came into this series knowing what we're up against," coach Steve Kerr said. "Everybody else was saying it's going to be easy; we weren't the ones. So I hope the media got a wake-up call."

Rebounding helped the Cavaliers. They outrebounded the Warriors 50-33 in regulation, and both Kevin Love and Larry Nance Jr. reached double digits.

The Warriors grabbed only four offensive rebounds before overtime.

"The glaring weakness on film was our lack of aggression on the boards," Kerr said. "That's something we've got to clean up."

One lapse nearly cost the Warriors the game.

After Hill missed his free throw that would have given the Cavaliers a one-point lead with 4.7 seconds left in regulation, Kevin Durant was in position for the rebound but allowed the

FINALS SCHEDULE | WARRIORS LEAD SERIES 1-0

Game 1	Warriors 124, Cavaliers 114 (OT)		
Game 2	Sunday at Warriors	7 p.m.	ABC-7
Game 3	Wednesday at Cavaliers	8 p.m.	ABC-7
Game 4	June 8 at Cavaliers	8 p.m.	ABC-7
Game 5*	June 11 at Warriors	8 p.m.	ABC-7
Game 6*	June 14 at Cavaliers	8 p.m.	ABC-7
Game 7*	June 17 Warriors	7 p.m.	ABC-7

*if necessary

Cavaliers' JR Smith to grab it.

Smith's blunder — he dribbled out the clock rather than try to score — meant the Warriors didn't pay for it.

The Cavaliers got open looks but struggled to hit them. Love was 1-for-8 from 3-point range, Jeff Green 1-for-6 and Jordan Clarkson 0-for-3.

James finished with eight assists and made at least 20 passes that put teammates in position to score.

Love will not be suspended for leaving the bench during an altercation in the closing seconds of Game 1, the Associated Press reported.

Kerr called Andre Iguodala, who sat out Thursday, doubtful for Game 2. The Warriors' Klay Thompson, who suffered an ankle injury, should be in the lineup but will be sore.

"I've done that injury plenty of times," Thompson said. "But luckily we have a couple days

between games, so I'll be able to get right."

That wasn't the only way luck touched the Warriors, a team unaccustomed to needing it.

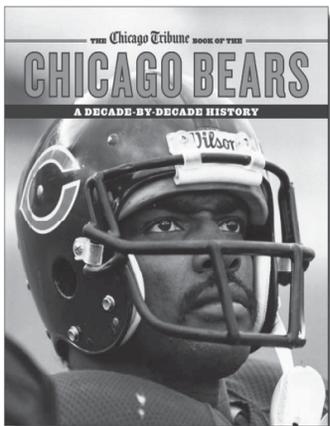
James' performance gave the Cavaliers the kind of chance few teams have had against the Warriors. No matter what else the Cavaliers do right, they'll need more of that from him to succeed.

Lue was asked if he thinks James can play any better than he did Thursday.

"I hope so," Lue said, laughing. "I know that's asking a lot, but we need him to lead by example (by) being aggressive (and) attacking the basket. ... He did that (Thursday) night, and he has to keep it up."

After all, the narrative might have changed, but the Warriors can turn a game, or a series, quickly.

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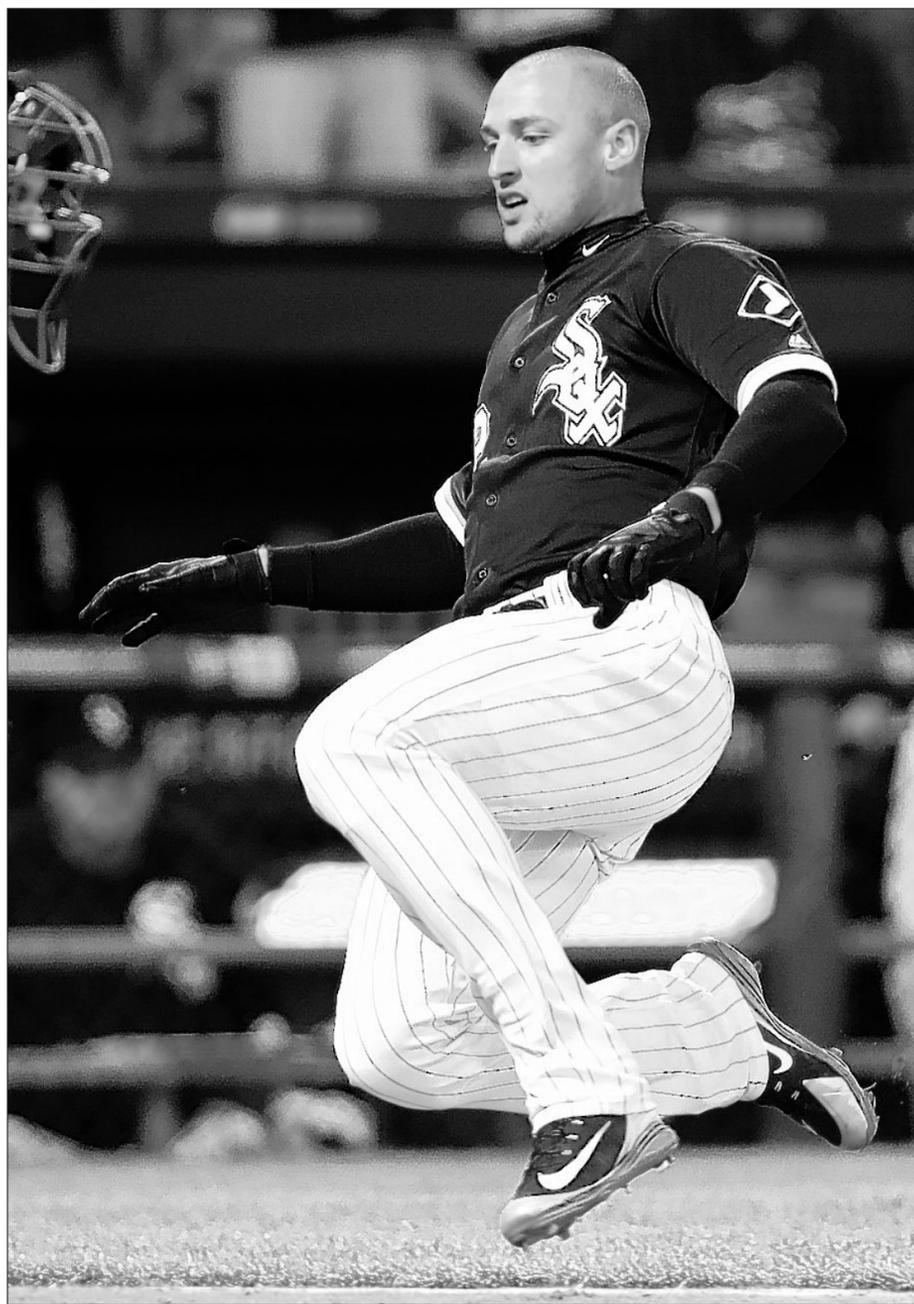
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WHITE SOX 8, BREWERS 3



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Trayce Thompson slides home with the Sox's third run in the third inning Friday night against the Brewers.

Flip of script

White Sox, from Page 1

allowed Trayce Thompson to reach base, leading to an unearned run.

White Sox players called an impromptu meeting after Wednesday's loss in Cleveland, which dropped their record to 16-37.

"Nobody likes losing," Renteria said before the game. "I know they're piling up, but we've got to stay the course and try to do what we can to maintain (order) in our day-to-day activities. ... Nobody's going to feel sorry for the Chicago White Sox. We have to just keep plugging away. The only thing I can tell you is we won't quit."

Like his bosses in the Sox front office, Renteria is taking a long-term view with his rebuilding team. He loves the prospects in the farm system and believes a turnaround is coming, if not just right around the corner. But he looks for immediate gratification when he can find it.

"We've got to do everything we can to put ourselves on the right path," Renteria said. "As an organization I think we're on the right track in this particular moment, when everything seems so far away and distant in terms of what we believe we're going to become. We need to keep our perspective and we need our guys to keep their perspective. They continue to push."

THE BOX SCORE

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Cain cf	3	0	0	0	0	.278
Yelich lf	2	1	0	0	0	.304
Braun 1b	5	1	2	1	2	.238
Aguilar dh	5	0	0	0	2	.296
Shaw 3b	3	1	2	0	0	.257
Santana rf	4	0	1	0	1	.260
Perez 2b	3	0	0	1	1	.245
Pina c	3	0	0	0	0	.213
Arcia ss	3	0	1	0	1	.203
TOTALS	31	3	5	3	6	

WHITE SOX	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Moncada 2b	4	0	1	1	0	.242
Sanchez 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.275
Abreu 1b	4	1	2	0	0	.301
Palka dh	2	1	1	1	0	.282
T.Anderson ss	4	1	1	2	0	.249
Narvaez c	4	0	1	1	0	.173
Engel cf	4	1	2	0	1	.220
Tilson lf	3	1	1	1	1	.357
Thompson rf	3	2	1	0	0	.141
TOTALS	32	8	11	7	3	

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E: Shaw (5). **LOB:** Milwaukee 10. **WHITE SOX 2:** Braun (24), Perez (12), Moncada (20), Sanchez (25), Palka (8), T.Anderson (2), Narvaez (3), Tilson (2). **SB:** Tilson (2). **CS:** Engel (2). **SF:** Perez. **Runners left in scoring position:** Milwaukee 5 (Braun 2, Aguilar 2, Pina), RISP: Milwaukee 0 for 5; White Sox 6 for 8. **Runners moved up:** Moncada. **GIDP:** T.Anderson. **DP:** Milwaukee 1 (Arcia, Perez, Braun).

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
C.Anderson, L 4-4	5 1/3	5	4	3	1	1	4.25
Logan	0	0	1	1	0	0	6.14
Albers	1/3	2	1	1	0	0	1.42
Jennings	1	4	2	2	0	1	3.04
Barnes	1	0	0	0	1	2	2.45
Jones	1	0	0	1	1	2	2.95

Logan pitched to 1 batter in the 6th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Logan 1-0, Albers 2-2, Volstad 2-0. **Umpires:** H, Mark Ripberger; 1B, Greg Gibson; 2B, Nick Mahrley; 3B, Doug Eddings. **Time:** 3:00. **A:** 20,004 (40,615).

Santiago, who had lasted five-plus innings in each of his last three starts, didn't make it out of the fourth as the Sox fell into an early hole. The Brewers took the lead on a two-run Ryan Braun homer in the first, then added a run on a Hernan Perez sacrifice

HOW THEY SCORED

BREWERS FIRST: Cain walked. Yelich reached on fielder's choice, Cain out at second. Braun homered, scoring Yelich. Aguilar grounded out. Shaw singled. Santana grounded into fielder's choice. Aguilar out at second. **Two runs. Brewers 2-0.**
BREWERS THIRD: Aguilar lined out. Shaw singled. Santana doubled. Shaw to third. Perez sacrifice fly, scoring Shaw. Pina lined out. **One run. Brewers 3-0.**
WHITE SOX THIRD: Engel doubled. Tilson singled, scoring Engel. Tilson stole second. Thompson reached on Shaw's error, scoring Tilson. Thompson to second. Moncada singled, scoring Thompson. Moncada out at second. Sanchez struck out. Abreu lined out. **Three runs. Tied 3-3.**
WHITE SOX SIXTH: Moncada lined out. Sanchez popped out. Abreu singled. Logan pitching. Palka walked. Abreu to second. Albers pitching. Anderson tripled, scoring Abreu and Palka. Narvaez singled, scoring Anderson. Engel grounded out. **Three runs. White Sox 6-3.**
WHITE SOX SEVENTH: Jennings pitching. Tilson struck out. Thompson doubled. Moncada grounded out. Thompson to third. Sanchez singled, scoring Thompson. Abreu doubled, Sanchez to third. Palka singled, scoring Sanchez. Abreu out at home. **Two runs. White Sox 8-3.**

fly in the third.

The Sox struck back with a three-run third. Adam Engel started the rally with a leadoff double, and Charlie Tilson followed with an RBI single. He stole second and scored on Shaw's throwing error, which put Thompson in position to score on Yoan Moncada's single.

The Brewers' best relievers, Corey Knebel and Josh Hader, were left watching when the Sox scored five runs off the middle men — former Sox Boone Logan, Albers and Dan Jennings — in the sixth and seventh innings.

"There were a lot of positives tonight," Santiago said. "They have one of the best bullpens in the league and we put it on 'em tonight."

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CUBS 7, METS 4

CUBS NOTES

'Outlier' Rosario boost to bullpen

By Mark Gonzales
 Chicago Tribune

NEW YORK — Left-hander Randy Rosario bailed Tyler Chatwood out of a jam in the sixth inning Friday night that enabled the Cubs to rally to a 7-4 victory, and his performance could get him more high-profile assignments.

"Rosario permitted a lot of that to happen," manager Joe Maddon said after Rosario's 1 2/3 innings of scoreless relief, which allowed left-hander Brian Duensing and Steve Cishek to be used in limited roles in the latter innings. "Those were micro-moments for each guy."

In the wake of Carl Edwards' right shoulder injury, Rosario "can be the real outlier" in the bullpen because of his effectiveness against right-handed batters as well as lefties. Rosario hasn't allowed a run in four appearances covering seven innings.

"You're always going to miss (Edwards)," Maddon said. "Anyone would. (But) if I move it around well enough, all these guys can have success."

Where's Yu? The mystery surrounding Yu Darvish took another twist when Maddon said the injured pitcher won't join the

team for the rest of this trip. "More than likely not," said Maddon, who offered no update on Darvish, on the 10-day disabled list because of tendinitis in his right triceps.

The Cubs initially thought Darvish might rejoin them in Pittsburgh after an MRI revealed no structural damage. He was scheduled to start a throwing program this weekend or shortly after the team finishes its trip Sunday night.

It's not known whether Darvish has had further tests or has gotten a second medical opinion.

The longer Darvish is sidelined, the more opportunities left-hander Mike Montgomery could receive. Montgomery, who pitched 5 2/3 shutout innings Monday in his first start this season, is slated to start Saturday night against Jacob deGrom.

As of Wednesday, the Cubs expected Darvish to return before Edwards, who is on the DL.

Extra innings: Backup catcher Chris Gimenez received his second start in five games as Maddon rested Willson Contreras before the team faced deGrom. ... Reliever Ryan Webb was signed to minor-league contract. Webb, 32, has a 3.43 ERA in 375 appearances with five major-league teams.



JULIE JACOBSON/AP

Tyler Chatwood, who allowed two runs and got no decision, delivers in the first inning against the Mets. The Cubs won Friday's game 7-4.

Chatwood takes baby steps

Cubs, from Page 1

Maddon said. "There's a misconception you have to wind up to throw harder. There might be more deception out of the windup, but I'm good with whatever he wants to do that makes him more comfortable staying in the strike zone."

Maddon showed confidence in Chatwood even after he allowed consecutive walks to Michael Conforto and Devin Mesoraco to open the sixth. Then he induced Jose Bautista into a foul pop before Rosario came on in relief and retired the next two batters and retired the side in order in the seventh.

"I felt strong throughout," Chatwood said. "I wish I had the sixth inning back, but it's a positive step."

Chatwood kept the game close enough to allow the offense to break out with seven runs, and 12 of their 17 hits came in the final three innings in what Maddon described as a team victory.

Among the big contributions were Tommy La Stella's 12th pinch hit, Ben Zobrist's game-tying double, Bryant's tiebreaking hit and Kyle Schwarber's coming off the bench to hit a sacrifice fly and a three-run homer.

"Just more bragging rights," Bryant said of his single off Paul Sewald, his teammate at the University of San Diego in 2011-12. "We always give each other a hard time in the offseason. He's my golfing buddy. He always has been able to get me out, especially in college. We had a lot of intrasquad games where the pitchers dominated us, and he was one of those guys."

Zobrist, who turned 37 last week, is batting .359 (14-for-39) in his last 10 games.

"Whatever he's doing, I'd like a taste," Maddon said. "He's the Ponce de LeZobrist."

Albert Almora Jr. collected three hits, including a leadoff single in the eighth. Almora was dazed after his helmet hit above his right eye as he tumbled into third on a Willson Contreras single but said he felt better after the game.

Even ace Jon Lester chipped in as a pinch hitter in the ninth as he advanced Anthony Rizzo to third

THE BOX SCORE

CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Zobrist lf-2b	4	1	3	1	0	.304
Heyward rf	5	0	0	0	2	.252
Bryant 3b	4	0	3	1	0	.295
Rizzo 1b	5	1	1	0	0	.236
Almora cf	4	1	3	0	0	.325
Strop p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Duensing p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	.500
Conforto c	1	1	0	0	0	.174
Morrow p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Baez 2b	3	0	0	0	2	.267
R.Rosario p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
d-Happ ph-cf	2	2	0	1	1	.241
Russell ss	5	1	2	0	1	.267
Gimenez c	2	0	0	0	0	.286
a-La Stella ph	1	1	1	0	0	.354
Contreras c	2	2	2	1	1	.271
Chatwood p	2	0	0	0	1	.214
Schwarber lf	1	1	1	4	0	.258
TOTALS	41	7	16	7	7	

N.Y. METS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Nimmo lf-rf	4	1	2	2	1	.294
Cabrera 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.302
Conforto cf	3	0	0	0	3	.237
Mesoraco c	2	1	1	0	0	.200
Bruce rf	2	0	0	0	0	.228
Bautista lf	2	1	1	0	0	.217
Gonzalez 1b	4	0	1	2	0	.260
Guillorme 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.200
Sewald p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Peterson p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
c-Plawecki ph	1	0	0	0	1	.214
Familia p	0	0	0	0	0	.263
Wheeler p	2	0	0	0	1	.175
Reyes 3b	1	0	0	0	0	.143
A.Rosario ss	3	1	0	0	1	.254
TOTALS	32	4	6	4	7	

a-singled for Gimenez in the 7th. b-struck out for R.Rosario in the 8th. c-struck out for Peterson in the 8th. d-grounded out for Cishek in the 9th. **E:** Reyes (5). **LOB:** Cubs 10, New York 7. **2B:** Zobrist (8), Rizzo (7), Bautista (5). **HR:** Schwarber (11), off Sewald; Nimmo (7), off Chatwood. **RBI:** Zobrist (18), Bryant (28), Schwarber (4), Happ (19), Nimmo (2), Gonzalez (2). **CS:** Bryant (3), Nimmo (2). **SF:** Schwarber. **Runners left in scoring position:** Cubs 2 (Rizzo, Contreras); New York 2 (Bruce, Guillorme). **RISP:** Cubs 4 for 9; New York 5 for 5. **Runners moved up:** Heyward 2, Lester. **GIDP:** Rizzo. **DP:** New York 1 (Gonzalez, A.Rosario, Wheeler).

CUBS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Chatwood	5 1/3	4	2	2	4	3	4.02
R.Rosario, W 2-0	1 1/3	0	0	0	0	1	0.00
Strop	1/3	2	2	1	1	2	2.22
Duensing	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.00
Cishek, H, 5	1/2	0	0	0	0	1	1.75
Morrow, S, 14-15	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.93

N.Y. METS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Wheeler 6 7 2 2 2 4 5.14
 Sewald, L 0-4, BS, 2-2 1 5 4 4 0 2 4.73
 Peterson 1/3 1 0 0 0 1 3.86
 Familia 1 3 1 1 0 0 2.33

Wheeler pitched to 2 batters in the 7th. Duensing pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. **Inherited runners-scored:** R.Rosario 2-0, Duensing 2-2, Cishek 1-0, Sewald 2-2. **Umpires:** H, Adrian Johnson; 1B, Trip Gibson; 2B, Chad Whitson; 3B, Brian Gorman. **Time:** 3:20. **A:** 37,183 (41,922).

HOW THEY SCORED
METS THIRD: Rosario walked. Nimmo homered, scoring Rosario. Cabrera filed out. Conforto struck out. Mesoraco grounded out. **Two runs. Mets 2-0.**
CUBS SEVENTH: Russell singled. LaStella singled. Russell to third. Sewald pitching. Schwarber filed out, scoring Russell. LaStella to second. Zobrist doubled, scoring LaStella. Heyward grounded out. Zobrist to third. Bryant singled, scoring Zobrist. Rizzo lined out. **Three runs. Cubs 3-2.**
CUBS EIGHTH: Almora Jr. singled. Happ struck out. Russell struck out. Contreras singled. Almora Jr. to third. Schwarber homered, scoring Almora Jr. and Contreras. Peterson pitching. Zobrist singled. Heyward struck out. **Three runs. Cubs 6-2.**
METS EIGHTH: Cabrera walked. Conforto struck out. Mesoraco grounded into fielder's choice. Cabrera out at second. Bautista doubled. Mesoraco to third. Gonzalez singled, scoring Mesoraco and Bautista. Plawecki struck out. **Two runs. Mets 6-4.**
CUBS NINTH: Bryant singled. With Rizzo pitching, Bryant caught stealing second. Rizzo doubled. Lester grounded out. Rizzo to third. Happ singled, scoring Rizzo. Russell re-ached on error. Happ to third. Contreras filed out. **One run. Cubs 7-4.**

WHITE SOX NOTES

With iffy 'D,' Palka cleans up at DH

By Phil Rogers
 Chicago Tribune

The good news for Daniel Palka is that after only a little more than a month in the Major Leagues he is establishing himself as a cleanup hitter; the bad news is he also is establishing himself as a designated hitter.

Palka has been up in the order with Matt Davidson on the disabled list. He entered Friday night's game against the Brewers hitting .277 with five home runs and an .833 OPS in 101 at-bats.

"Obviously Palky's not scared," White Sox manager Rick Renteria said. "He's a tremendously confident young hitter, getting an opportunity with us. He has some thump in his bat. He gets one he can drive it out of the ballpark ... change the game."

Palka has been taking early work in right field to address deficiencies that have shown up during his 19 starts there. He

ranks 46th among 47 right fielders (minimum 100 innings) with -8 Defensive Runs Saved, as calculated by Fangraphs.

"He's a young man who's tremendously driven," Renteria said. "He's working extremely hard to try to improve his outfield play. He takes nothing for granted. We have to give him a lot of love because he's trying to do everything he can to help this club in any way he can."

Baseball Prospectus ranks the White Sox 19th in defensive efficiency, down from third in 2017. They have the fourth-worst defensive runs saved total in the majors at -28.

With Avisail Garcia encountering an extended stay on the DL, the Sox have used four different right fielders. Trayce Thompson was there Friday, making his 14th start since being acquired from the A's on April 19.

Ready to roll: After a slow start,

Jose Abreu hit .330 with three home runs and 19 RBIs in May. Don't be surprised if this fore-shadows a strong season.

Abreu has sub-.300 career averages in April (.266) and May (.282) but has hit at least .308 in the last four months of the season. His best month has been August, when he has hit .330 with a .951 OPS. He entered the Brewers series in a mini-slump, however, going 0-for-14 with six strikeouts in the previous four games.

Rare matchup: James Shields will be making his 384th career start Saturday but only his second ever against the Brewers. The other came May 12, 2016, shortly before the Padres traded Shields to the Sox. Shields threw seven shutout innings and struck out nine in that outing.

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BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

INTERLEAGUE	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	2018 VS OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
Mil Chacin (R)		3-1	3.69	9-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Sox Shields (L)	1:10p	1-5	4.54	4-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	2018 VS OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
Cubs Montgomery (L)		1-1	4.35	1-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	
NY deGrom (R)	6:15p	4-0	1.52	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	
StL Weaver (R)		3-5	4.63	4-7	0-1	5.1	6.75	
Pit Kuhl (R)	1:15p	4-3	3.94	7-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	

AMERICAN LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	2018 VS OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA	
Oak Cahill (R)		1-2	2.25	3-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	
KC Hammel (R)	1:15p	2-5	3.23	3-8	0-0	0.0	0.00	
NY Tanaka (R)		6-2	4.55	8-2	0-1	6.1	4.26	
Bal Gausman (R)	3:05p	3-4	4.31	4-7	0-0	0.0	3.60	

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	2018 VS OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
Cubs at NY, Mets 12:10								
Milwaukee at White Sox 1:10								
NY Yankees at Baltimore 12:05								
Toronto at Detroit 12:10								
Washington at Atlanta 12:45								

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	2018 VS OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
Cubs 7, NY Mets 4								
White Sox 5, Milwaukee 3								
NY Yankees 4, Baltimore 1								
Detroit 15, Toronto 2								

NL LEADERS	AL LEADERS
BATTING	BATTING
Gennett, CIN 55 207 28 71.343	Betts, BOS 48 184 52 66.359
Kemp, LA 55 173 20 59.341	Segura, SEA 58 237 33 80.338
Freeman, ATL 57 216 35 73.338	Brantley, CLE 45 184 31 62.337
Oaklakis, ATL 49 154 32 50.325	Simmons, LA 55 205 32 69.337
Arenado, COL 52 193 35 62.321	Castellanos, DET 53 214 29 71.332
Dickerson, PIT 53 204 26 64.314	Martinez, BOS 56 219 36 72.324
Oherrera, PH 54 202 25 63.312	JMartinez, BOS 54 208 36 66.317
Crawford, SF 53 196 24 61.311	Ramos, TB 44 166 18 52.313
Belt, SF 53 192 32 59.307	Lindor, CLE 54 228 44 71.311

HOME RUNS	MARKKIS	ATL	17
Harper, WAS 18	4 tied at 16		
Villanueva, SD 15	TRIPLES		
Baez, CH 13	5		
Shaw, MIL 13	5		

STOLEN BASES	ALBIES	ATL	18
Blackmon, COL 49	Turner, WAS 16		
Cham, STL 39	18		
Phyllis, LA 39	16		
Manzanedez, PHI 38	16		

DOUBLE	ROCKIES	COL	16
Stroman, NY 16	Betts, BOS 17		
Turner, WAS 16	Benintendi, BOS 5		
Stratton, SF 7	Profar, TEX 4		

STRIKEOUTS	ASTROS	HOU	8-2
Clayton, WAS 9-1	Martinez, BOS 47		
Manzanedez, PHI 7-2	Machado, BAL 45		
ERA	Haniger, SEA 41		
Suarez, CIN 43	deGrom, NY 1.52		
Freeman, ATL 40	Scherzer, WAS 1.53		
Harper, WAS 40	Gonzalez, WAS 2.10		
Strom, COL 39	Arrieta, PHI 2.16		
HITS	Noia, PHI 2.18		
Markakis, ATL 75	STRIKEOUTS		
Freeman, ATL 75	WAS 120		
Gennett, CIN 71	Corbin, ARI 98		
Albies, ATL 67	Strasburg, WAS 93		
DOUBLE	deGrom, NY 85		
Bryant, CHI 17	through Friday		
Hosmer, SD 17			

TIGERS 5, BLUE JAYS 2	BRAVES 4, NATIONALS 0
TORONTO AB R H BI SO AVG	WASHINGTON AB R H BI SO AVG
Hernandez lf 5 1 3 0 1 1 .257	Turner ss 4 0 1 0 1 1 .268
Smoot lf 2 0 0 0 2 .321	Rendon 3b 3 0 0 0 2 .266
Morales dh 2 0 1 1 0 .208	Encarnacion dh 4 1 2 2 1 .240
Pillar cf 4 0 0 0 0 .265	Soto lf 2 0 0 0 1 .316
Bour lb 3 1 1 0 1 .169	Grossman cf 2 0 1 0 1 .222
Travis 2b 3 0 0 0 0 .103	Collins lf 0 0 0 0 0 —
Griehruff rf 2 0 0 0 0 .103	Maddon p 0 0 0 0 0 —
Grnderson ph-rf 2 0 0 0 0 .211	Severino c 3 0 0 0 2 .218
Diaz ss 3 1 1 0 1 .239	Strasburg p 2 0 0 0 0 .120
TOTALS 33 5 11 5 6	Solis p 1 0 0 0 1 .203

TORONTO	DETROIT
040 002 000 — 2 7 0	040 000 10x — 5 11 0
Detroit 040 000 10x — 5 11 0	

LOB: Toronto 9, Detroit 5; Diaz (5), Martin (10), Iglesias (14); Baez; Hernandez (4), Jones (3); HR: Castellanos (6), off Clippard. **RBI**s: Hernandez (24), Morales (6), Candelario (3), Descalso (2), Jones; 2B: (14), Martin (19); SF: Iglesias (8); CS: Jones (2); SF: Morales. **Runners left in scoring position:** Toronto 6 (Hernandez 2, Pillar, Travis 2, Griehruff, Detroit 3) (Martinez 2, Rodriguez), RISP: Toronto 0 for 6; Detroit 2 for 7. **DP:** Toronto 1; Detroit 2.

TORONTO	DETROIT
IP H R ER BB SO ERA	IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Garcia, L 2-4 1 1/2 7 4 4 0 1 6.08	Solis 1 0 0 0 1 0 3.92
Swanson 3 3 0 0 0 2 7.33	Biagini 3 3 0 0 0 2 7.33
Clippard 1 1 1 1 0 1 3.54	Axford 1 0 0 0 0 2 3.60

DETROIT	TORONTO
IP H R ER BB SO ERA	IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Hardy, W 2-0 6 3 2 2 4 3 2.77	Farmer, H 2-0 6 3 2 2 4 3 2.77
Marrozo 2b 0 0 0 0 1 2.29	Liaw, H 2 1/2 1 0 0 0 6.23
Lewis, H 1 0 0 0 0 0 6.00	Green, S 14-17 1 0 0 0 1 3.62

Inherited runners scored: Barnes 2, Lewiski 3. **HBP:** Barbatto (3). **WP:** Hardy. **Umpires:** H, Manny Gonzalez; 1B, Andy Fletcher; 2B, Jeff Nelson; 3B, Laz Diaz. **Time:** 2:52. A: 22,192 (41,297).

DIAMONDBACKS 9, MARLINS 1	ANGELS 6, RANGERS 0
MIAMI AB R H BI SO AVG	TEXAS AB R H BI SO AVG
Castro 2b 5 0 1 0 0 .284	DeShields cf 4 0 0 0 0 1 .210
Realmutco c 3 0 1 0 0 0 .313	Choo dh 4 0 2 0 1 1 .264
Holiday c 1 0 0 0 1 1.57	Kiner-Falefa 3b 4 0 0 0 0 0 .247
Bour lb 3 1 1 0 1 1 .239	Mazara lf 3 1 1 0 1 1 .239
Anderson rf 4 0 0 0 2 1.82	Profar ss 4 0 1 0 2 2.235
Dietrich lf 4 1 3 0 1 1 .276	Gallo lf 3 0 0 0 0 1 .208
Rojas 3b 4 0 0 0 1 .251	Odor 2b 4 0 2 0 0 1 .215
Marrozo 2b 0 0 0 0 0 .217	Guzman 1b 3 0 0 0 0 0 .229
Riddle ss 3 0 0 0 1 1.55	Perez 3b 3 0 0 0 0 0 .225
Brinson cf 3 0 0 0 1 1.00	TOTALS 33 8 8 0 7
Hernandez p 1 0 0 0 1 1.00	
Garcia p 1 0 0 0 1 1.00	
Shuck ph 1 0 0 0 0 .205	
Guerrero p 0 0 0 0 0 —	
Ziegler p 0 0 0 0 0 —	
Maybin ph 1 0 0 0 0 .239	
TOTALS 35 1 8 1 10	

ARIZONA	ANGELS
AB R H BI SO AVG	AB R H BI SO AVG
Descalso 2b-1b 3 2 1 2 0 .261	Valbuena 3b 4 1 1 0 3 2.41
Goedtschmidt 1b 4 0 1 1 0 .210	Maldonado cf 4 0 1 1 1 .250
Marrozo 2b 0 0 0 0 0 .190	Young rf 1 0 0 0 1 1.156
Lamb 3b 4 2 2 1 1 .232	TOTALS 35 6 11 8
Murphy c 4 1 2 2 0 .278	
Peralta lf 4 1 2 2 0 .262	
Marte ss 4 2 2 2 0 .222	
Bryson rf-cf 4 0 0 0 0 0 .000	
Dyson cf 2 1 0 0 0 .206	
Brito rf 1 0 0 0 0 .118	
Buchholz p 2 0 0 0 0 .000	
De La Rosa p 1 0 0 0 0 .000	
Salas p 0 0 0 0 0 .000	
TOTALS 33 9 11 8 2	

MIAMI 000 000 100 — 1 1 1
Arizona 122 030 01x — 9 11 1
E: Garcia 3; 2B: Rolden (10), Dietrich (11); **HR:** Descalso (7), off Hernandez; Lamb (2), off Hernandez; Peralta (8), off Hernandez; Murphy (8), off Garcia; Marrozo (2), off Garcia; Marte (3), off Ziegler. **RBI**s: Brinson (18), Descalso (2), Lamb (11), Murphy (2) (17), Peralta (2) (24), Marte 2 (15), S. Buchholz. **Runners left in scoring position:** Miami 6 (Castro, Anderson, Rojas, Holiday 2); Arizona 2 (Goedtschmidt, Marte). **RISP:** Miami 2 for 10; Arizona 2 for 8. **DP:** Miami 1.

MIAMI	ARIZONA
IP H R ER BB SO ERA	IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Hernandez, L 0-3 3 5 5 5 2 1 4.29	Garcia 3 1 3 3 0 1 4.41
Rojas 1 1 0 0 0 1 4.97	Ziegler 1 1 1 1 0 0 7.88
TOTALS 3 1 3 3 0 1 4.41	

ARIZONA	MIAMI
IP H R ER BB SO ERA	IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Buchholz, W 1-17 6 1 1 9 1.50	De La Rosa 1/2 2 0 0 0 1 3.54
Salas 1/2 2 0 0 0 1 4.45	WP: Salas. A: 25,866 (48,519).

Extra innings: Seahawks QB Russell Wilson and his wife, the singer Ciara, joined the effort to bring MLB to Portland as "owner/investors" in the project. ... Cardinals C Yadier Molina (groin) and RHP Carlos Martinez (lat muscle) are expected to return Tuesday against the Marlins. ... Mets RF Jay Bruce left after four innings against the Cubs with lower back discomfort. ... White Sox RHP Danny Farquhar threw out a ceremonial first pitch before the game against the Brewers, six weeks after having a brain hemorrhage during a game.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	36	17	.679	—	6-4	W-3	22-9	14-8
Boston	39	19	.672	—	6-4	L-2	20-8	19-11
Tampa Bay*	28	27	.509	9	6-4	L-1	11-13	17-14
Toronto	25	32	.439	13	3-7	L-4	12-17	13-15
Baltimore	17	40	.298	21	2-8	L-6	10-17	7-23

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	30	26	.536	—	7-3	L-1	18-11	12-15
Detroit	27	30	.474	3 1/2	7-3	W-3	18-12	9-18
Minnesota	23	30	.434	5 1/2	3-7	W-1	12-13	11-17
Kansas City	20	37	.351	10 1/2	6-4	L-1	9-20	11-17
Chicago	17	37	.315	12	4-6	W-1	9-18	8-19

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	37	22	.627	—	6-4	W-2	18-11	19-11
Seattle*	34	22	.607	1 1/2	7-3	W-1	17-12	17-10
Los Angeles	31	27	.534	5 1/2	5-5	W-1	13-17	18-10
Oakland	30	28	.517	6 1/2	5-5	W-2	15-15	15-13
Texas	24	36	.400	13 1/2	5-5	L-2	11-19	13-17

*late game not included

DODGERS

Kershaw back to DL with back issue

News services

Dodgers ace pitcher Clayton Kershaw was diagnosed with a strained muscle in his lower back and placed on the 10-day disabled list on Friday.

Sidelined for most of May because of biceps tendinitis, Kershaw left his outing Thursday against the Phillies after five innings as his fastball velocity sagged into the upper 80s.

This is his third significant back injury in the last three seasons. The left-hander missed five weeks with a similar strain in 2017. He suffered a herniated disk in 2016 that was the first sign of

significant issues with his back.

Kershaw's start this week was his first after nearly a month on the disabled list with left bicep tendinitis. He said Thursday that he's "frustrated, disappointed I can't contribute to the team. Being on the DL's no fun."

Kershaw is 1-4 this season with a 2.76 ERA spanning eight starts.

The story is the potentially huge chunk of the Dodgers' hopes that might have disappeared with the best pitcher on the planet after he slipped into the dugout amid the late-afternoon shadows Thursday.

In the previous two seasons the Dodgers were a combined

40-8 in games he has started.

This season they are 2-6 when he pitches, and now might have to climb out of a 26-30 hole without him for a significant period of time.

With Kershaw going on the DL, it means four-fifths of the Dodgers' opening-day rotation is sidelined, including lefties Rich Hill and Hyun-Jin Ryu and right-hander Kenta Maeda.

Kershaw, 30, can opt out of the final two seasons of his seven-year, \$215 million contract this winter.

The team recalled right-handed pitcher Brock Stewart to take Kershaw's place on the roster.

AROUND THE HORN

Braves: Mike Foltynewicz pitched a two-hitter for his first career complete game and Dansby Swanson broke the game open with a three-run homer in the seventh in a 4-0 win over the Nationals. Foltynewicz (5-3) retired 20 straight batters before issuing a walk in the eighth.

Astros: George Springer dashed home from second base on a wild pitch by Chris Sale, then homered off him in a 7-3 victory over the Red Sox in a matchup of AL division leaders.

Yankees: Aaron Judge hit a towering home run in the seventh — his 16th homer of the season — in a 4-1 victory over the Orioles to move the Yankees to a season-high 19 games over .500.

Giants: LHP Madison Bumgarner will make his season debut Tuesday night at home against the Diamondbacks after recovering from a broken pinkie on his pitching hand.

Brewers: The team recalled RHP Zach Davies on the DL with right rotator cuff inflammation and recalled 1B-OF Ji-Man Choi from Triple-A Colorado Springs. Davies was placed on the DL retroactive to Wednesday, when the right-hander allowed five runs and eight hits over five innings in a 6-1

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	@NYM 6:15 FOX-32 AM-670	@NYM 12:10 ABC-7 AM-670		PHI 7:05 WGN-9 AM-670	PHI 7:05 NBCSCH+ AM-670	PHI 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670	PIT 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670
	MIL 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	MIL 1:10 WGN-9 AM-720		@MIN 3:10 (2) NBCSCH AM-720	@MIN 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@MIN 12:10 WGN-9 AM-720	@BOS 6:10 WGN-9 AM-720
	SJ 7:30				@CLB 6		
		LVG 5 WCIU-26.2					@PHO 9 WCIU-26.2

SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB	MLBN
1 p.m. Pirates at Cardinals	MLBN
1:10 p.m. Brewers at White Sox	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720
3 p.m. Indians at Twins	FS1
6:15 p.m. Cubs at Mets	FOX-32, WSCR-AM 670
9 p.m. Phillies at Giants	MLBN

COLLEGE BASEBALL: NCAA REGIONALS

11 a.m.	ESP2
Teams TBD	ESP2
1 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPNU
3 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPNU
6 p.m. Teams TBD	ESP2
9 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPNU
9 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPNU

ARENA FOOTBALL

5 p.m. Philadelphia at Washington	CBSSN
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GOLF

11:30 a.m. PGA Memorial	Golf Channel (more, 2 p.m., CBS-2)
1 p.m. U.S. Women's Open	FS1
5:30 a.m. Italian Open	Golf Channel

NHL STANLEY CUP FINAL

7 p.m. G3, Golden Knights at Capitals	NBCSN
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HORSE RACING

9 a.m. Epsom Derby	NBCSN
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MOTORSPORTS

8:30 a.m. NASCAR Xfinity qualifying	FS1
11:30 a.m. IMSA Detroit Grand Prix	FS2
1:30 p.m. NASCAR Xfinity Pocono Green 250	FS1
2:30 p.m. IndyCar Duel in Detroit, Race 1	ABC-7
3 p.m. AMA Motorcross Thunder Valley Classic	NBCSN

MAJOR LEAGUE RUGBY

8 p.m. Seattle at Houston	CBSSN
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SOCCER

2 p.m. U.S. vs. Ireland	ESPN2
2:30 p.m. NWSL, Red Stars at Washington	Lifetime
4 p.m. Galaxy at Timbers	ESPN2
6:55 p.m. Mexico vs. Scotland	FS1, WGBO-66

SOFTBALL: WOMEN'S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

11 a.m. Teams TBD	ESPN
1:30 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPN
6 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPN
8:30 p.m. Teams TBD	ESPN

TENNIS

11 a.m. French Open	NBC-5 (more, 4 a.m. Sun., Tennis Ch.)
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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL	
AMERICAN LEAGUE	
Baltimore: Reinstated INF Danny Valencia from the paternity leave list. Optioned LHP Donnie Hart to Norfolk (IL).	
Boston: Released DH-1B Hanley Ramirez.	
Cleveland: Activated OF Bradley Zimmer from the 10-day DL. Optioned RHP	
NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Cincinnati: Selected the contract of C Curt Casali from Louisville (IL). Designated INF-OF Rosell Herrera for assignment.	
Colorado: Reinstated INF DJ LeMahieu from the 10-day DL.	
Los Angeles: Placed LHP Clayton Kershaw on the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP	
Shane Bieber to Columbus (IL).	
Brock Stewart from Oklahoma City (PCL).	

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	
NFL: Suspended San Francisco WR Victor Bolden for the first four games of the regular season for violating the NFL's policy on performance-enhancing substances.	

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

VEGAS 1, WASHINGTON 1	
GAME 1: VEGAS 6-4	
GAME 2: Washington 3-2	
Saturday: at Washington, 7	
Monday: at Washington, 7	
Thursday: at Vegas, 7	
x-June 10: at Washington, 7	
x-June 13: at Vegas, 7	

NBA FINALS

GOLDEN STATE 1, CLEVELAND 0	
GAME 1: GOLDEN STATE 124-114 (OT)	
Sunday: at Golden State, 7	
Wednesday: at Cleveland, 8	
June 8: at Cleveland, 8	
x-June 11: at Golden State, 8	
x-June 14: at Cleveland, 8	
x-June 17: at Golden State, 7	

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

MIDWEST LEAGUE	
EASTERN	
Lansing (Blue Jays)	36 19 655
Bowling Green (Rays)	34 19 542 1
W Michigan (Tigers)	28 26 519 7½
Dayton (Reds)	27 26 509 8
Fort Wayne (Padres)	25 28 472 10
South Bend (Cubs)	24 29 453 11
Quad Cities (Astros)	30 25 545 1
Gr Lakes (Dodgers)	18 35 340 17
WESTERN	
Peoria (Cardinals)	31 24 564 —
Clinton (Mariners)	30 24 556 ½
Quad Cities (Astros)	30 25 545 1
Kane Co (D-backs)	28 25 528 2
Beloit 4, Quad Cities 2	
Beloit (Athletics)	25 27 481 4½
Wisconsin (Brewers)	24 31 436 7
Burlington (Angels)	23 32 418 8

COLLEGE BASEBALL

NCAA DIV. I REGIONALS	
Double Elimination; x-if necessary	
At Boshamer Stadium	
Chapel Hill, N.C.	
Friday's results	
G1: North Carolina 11, N.C. A&T 0	
G2: Houston 9, Purdue 1	
At Doak Field at Dail Park	
Raleigh, N.C.	
Friday's results	
G1: Auburn 13, Northeastern 4	
G2: Army 5, N.C. State 1	
At Lewis Field at Clark-Leclair Stadium	
Greenville, N.C.	
Friday's results	
G1: South Carolina 8, Ohio State 3	
G2: East Carolina 16, UNC Wilmington 7	
At Doug Kingsmore Stadium	
Clemson, S.C.	
Friday's results	
G1: Vanderbilt 2, St. John's 0	
G2: Clemson 4, Morehead State 3, (10)	
At Springs Brooks Stadium	
Conway, S.C.	
Friday's results	
G1: Washington 7, UConn 1	
G2: Coastal Carolina 16, LIU Brooklyn 1	
At Foley Field, Athens, Ga.	
Friday's results	
G1: Troy 6, Duke 0	
G2: Campbell (35-24) at Georgia (37-19), ppd., rain	
At Dick Howson Stadium	
Tallahassee, Fla.	
Friday's results	
G1: Oklahoma 20, Mississippi State 10	
G2: Samford 7, Florida State 6	
At Albritton, McKethan Stadium	
Gainesville, Fla.	
Friday's results	
G1: Florida 13, Columbia 5	
G2: Mississippi State 5, FAU 3	
At Melching Field at Conrad Park	
DeLand, Fla.	
Friday's results	
G1: Oklahoma State 9, South Florida 2	
G2: Stetson 8, Hartford 3	
At Siebert Field, Minneapolis	
Friday's results	
G1: Vanderbilt 5, Florida 2	
G2: Minnesota 10, Canisius 1	
At Oxford-University Stadium	
Swazey Field	
Austin, Texas	
Friday's results	
G1: Tennessee Tech (48-9) vs. Missouri State (39-15), ppd., rain	
G2: Saint Louis (38-18) at Mississippi (46-15), ppd., rain	
At Baum Stadium at George Cole Field	
Fayetteville, Ark.	
Friday's results	
G1: Arkansas 10, Oral Roberts 2	
G2: Southern Miss., Dallas Baptist 0	
At Dan Law Field at Rip Griffin Park	
Lubbock, Texas	
Friday's results	
G1: Texas Tech 9, New Mexico State 2	
G2: Louisville 13, Kent State 6	
At UFCU Disch-Falk Field	
Austin, Texas	
Friday's results	
G1: Texas A&M 10, Indiana 3	
G2: Texas 10, Texas Southern 0	
At Goss Stadium at Coleman Field	
Corvallis, Ore.	
Friday's results	
G1: LSU 6, San Diego State 4	
G2: Oregon State 9, Northwestern State 3	
At Klein Field at Sunken Diamond	
Stanford, Calif.	
Friday's results	
G1: Cal State Fullerton 6, Baylor 2	
G2: Wright State (39-15) at Stanford (44-10), late	

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

WORLD SERIES	
ASA Hall of Fame Stadium; Okla. City	
Double Elimination; x-if necessary	
Friday's results	
GS: Washington 6, Oregon 2	
GC: UCLA 6, Florida 5	

CALDER CUP FINALS

TORONTO vs. TEXAS	
Saturday: at Toronto, 3	
Sunday: at Toronto, 3	
Tuesday: at Texas, 7	
Thursday: at Texas, 7	
x-June 9: at Texas, 7	
x-June 12: at Toronto, 6	
x-June 14: at Toronto, 6	

AHL

WNL	
St. Paul	10 4 714 —
Gary Southshore	8 5 615 1½
Winnipeg	7 6 538 2½
Fargo-Moorhead	7 6 538 2½
Sioux Falls	5 8 385 4½
Chicago	1 11 083 8
SOUTH	
Sioux City	11 4 733 —
Wichita	9 5 643 1½
Kansas City	8 6 571 2½
Lincoln	8 7 533 3
Celburne	6 8 429 4½
Texas	2 12 143 8½

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

St. Paul 4, Cleburne 1	
Sioux City 9, Texas 4	
Sioux Falls 10, Lincoln 7	
Wichita 1, Kansas City 0	
Gary Southshore 6, Fargo-Moorhead 4	
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GOLF



Tiger Woods waves to the crowd after making a birdie on the 15th hole of the Memorial. ANDY LYONS/GETTY

PGA TOUR MEMORIAL

Rain, putter slow Woods' progress

19-year-old Niemann, Stanley share lead after second round

BY DOUG FERGUSON | Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ohio — Joaquin Niemann could figure out where Tiger Woods was on the golf course from the mass of people following him a few groups ahead, and he had a pretty good idea what Woods was doing from all the noise, at least before Woods put a putter in his hands.

"There was so many people," Niemann said.

The few who stuck behind for the 19-year-old Chilean saw another good show.

In his fifth start as a pro, Niemann finished with two birdies in his last three holes for a 4-under 68 and a share of the Memorial lead with Kyle Stanley, who had a 66.

Niemann finished with an 8-foot birdie on the 18th hole.

Woods made Muirfield Village sound like a rock concert until storms arrived. He holed out with a sand wedge from 97 yards for eagle on the par-5 11th, and his tee shot on the par-3 12th struck the flag waving in the wind and settled 6 feet behind the hole.

Then he sat out a weather delay that lasted just under 90 minutes, and he missed four putts under 7 feet the rest of the way.

"It could have been easily a nice little 62 or 63," Woods said. "I turned it into a 67." He was six shots behind with nearly two dozen players in front of him.

Stanley, who won the National last summer, was atop the Memorial leaderboard for much of the day and was starting to pull away until a poor tee shot at No. 6 led to a bogey. He finished with a par save from just off the ninth green for an 11-under 133 total.

On the other side of the course was Niemann, the No. 1 amateur in the world and Latin American Amateur champion who wanted to play the Masters before turning pro.

He looks his age when his braces shine every time he smiles. He plays beyond his years.

Already with a pair of top-10s on the PGA Tour, Niemann now finds himself in the last group going into the weekend at the tournament Jack Nicklaus built, and he doesn't appear the least bit nervous.

"It feels really nice to be on top of the leaderboard," he said. "It does feel really nice for tomorrow."

U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN

Smith weathers storm, leads

BY JOHN ZENOR | Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Sarah Jane Smith outpaced the weather and the rest of the field at the U.S. Women's Open.

The Australian extended her lead to four strokes Friday after a second straight 5-under 67 at Shoal Creek. Smith got her round in before a 2-hour, 49-minute delay caused by thunderstorms, conditions that ultimately forced play to be halted with little daylight left.

Now, she enters the weekend leading a major championship with 36 holes down. Other contenders such as Ariya Jutanugarn still must finish Round 2, which will be completed Saturday with the low 60 scorers plus ties making the cut.

Half the field didn't finish the round. Smith is at 10-under 134 after failing to make the cut in five of her last six U.S. Women's Open appearances.

"I haven't been in the position before, but I hope to show up like it's another day," Smith said. "I'm happy with the way I'm playing."

"I feel comfortable on the greens, which has been something that has been a little bit off lately. It's nice seeing the greens really well and seeing some putts go in. Hopefully that keeps going."

Smith opened the day in a three-way tie atop the leaderboard with Jutanugarn and Jeongeun Lee.

Jutanugarn had an opening birdie to move to 6 under through eight holes. Lee fell back to 2 under with a second-day 75. Su-Hyun Oh shot 68 and is also at 6 under.

The course had taken heavy rains during the week, raising concerns about its condition, but the sun held out for most of the tournament's first two days. Play only continued for about an hour following the delay.

"It's weird — it's playing longer because it's so soft, but (it's) so hot the irons are going really far," Oh said. "So it's just hard to guess. It swirls a lot within the trees, so it's just really difficult clubbing."

Seven players are at 3 under, including amateur Linn Grant and No. 1-ranked Inbee Park. Grant shot 72, Park 71.

LPGA's Lincicome will play in PGA Tour event

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Brittany Lincicome is set to join an elite group: female professionals playing in a PGA Tour event.

Lincicome said Friday at the U.S. Women's Open that she was asked to play in the Barbasol Championship on July 19-22 in Nicholasville, Ky. The event is the same week as the British Open.

"I love competing with the guys," said Lincicome, who is sixth on the LPGA Tour in driving distance. "I feel like I step up my game when I play with them. I play a little harder. ... I always thought it would be cool to try."

She said she "was kind of torn" when Tom Murray, president and CEO of Barbasol parent company Perio, reached out to her a couple of weeks ago.

"I can already hear people saying, 'You are trying to compare yourself to the men,'" she said. "That's not what it is."

Other female pros who have played in a PGA Tour event include Annika Sorenstam, Michelle Wie, Babe Zaharias and Suzy Whaley.

Lincicome, 32, said she's uncertain what kind of reception she'll get.

"I feel like every time I walk by one of those guys, they are going to look at me like, 'Why the heck are you here?'" she said. "Hopefully they are really nice."

Golf Digest first reported her sponsor's exemption.

— Associated Press

Defending champion Sung Hyun Park finished 9 over after a 76 and 77, which would be well below the projected cut line. Stacy Lewis, the 2012 player of the year, is among a big group just above the cut line at 4 over (through eight holes).

Chicago Tribune Death Notices

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Death Notices

Diaz, Alberto Luis

Alberto Luis Diaz, age 30. Passed away suddenly May 29, 2018. Beloved son of Rosalinda Rivera and Jose Maldonado and the late Angel Diaz. Loving husband of Erica Gonzalez. Cherished father of Angel and Guinevere. Dearest brother of Jose (Veronica) Maldonado Jr., Lenny (Lucy) Maldonado, Hector (Jessica) Maldonado, Emily Maldonado, Anthony "Jojo" Maldonado, Eric Maldonado, Angel Rico, and Brandon Diaz. Best friend of Marlo. Al "The Reaper" was the President of the Six Ronin Airsoft Team. Funeral prayers for Alberto will begin on Tuesday, June 5th, 9:00 A.M. from **Casey Laskowski & Sons Funeral Home**, 4540 West Diversey Avenue, proceeding to Santa Maria Addolorata Catholic Church for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 A.M. Interment Oakridge Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 4th, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For funeral information please call 773-777-6300 or www.caseylaskowskifh.com



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Frankel, Jerome J. "Jerry"

Jerome J. "Jerry" Frankel MD, 90. Beloved husband of Rhoda nee Raban for 61 years, devoted father of Stanley (Dana Norris), Laura (Stevan Weine), and David (Nooshin Cohanim); cherished grandfather of Joshua, Zachary, Daniel, Joseph; Daniella and Kate (Weine); and Zoe and Kaela; dear brother of the late Mel (the late Phyllis) Frankel. Funeral service to be held Sunday, June 3, 2018, 12:30 PM, at Temple Shalom, 3450 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Temple Shalom (sholomchicago.org/donate or 773-435-1535) or the Dr. Norman Simon Research & Education Fund at NorthShore Health System (<https://foundation.northshore.org> or 224-364-7208). For funeral information: **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home** 847-256-5700.



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Keig, Susan Jackson

Susan Jackson Keig, FIAGA, FSTA/ACD

June 7, 1918 — May 28, 2018 Internationally noted Graphic Designer and Art Director with 73 years of pioneering innovation in the Graphic Arts profession. One of three daughters of William Edward Jackson and Nancy Means Robb, Susan traces her heritage to the settlers of Kentucky of the early 1700's. Raised on her family farm on the northern edge of Jessamine County, Susan attended the Hamilton School in Lexington, KY, and Science Hill Academy in Shelbyville, KY, before graduating from the University of Kentucky (BA) in 1940. While performing post-graduate work at UK, Susan was recruited to join the cryptanalyst division of the Signal Corps in Washington, DC. She along with a group of professionals broke the Japanese code, a major event affecting the course of World War II. In 1943 Susan wed her first husband, Allen Chancellor "Chauncey" Karstrom, a second Lieutenant in the US Army stationed at Camp White in Medford, Oregon. During their brief residence in Oregon Susan accepted a position as superintendent of art for the Medford School District. In 1945 Mr. and Mrs. Karstrom moved to Evanston, IL where Susan accepted the position of Art Director at the firm of Science Research and Associates (SRA) where she managed the design and development of Get THE Job, a groundbreaking book for returning servicemen. From 1945 through 1946 she attended classes at the New Bauhaus at Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) under László Moholy-Nagy's direction. She then taught at the Institute of Design as the program became known. In 1948 Susan worked for the design firm of Dekovic-Smith. Susan became the first woman president of the Chicago Society of Typographic Arts (STA), serving from 1955 through 1956. In the late 50's Susan was a twice a guest of architect Frank Lloyd Wright at his Taliesin studio in Wisconsin. In 1960 Susan was appointed the United States Delegate to the World Design Conference in Tokyo, Japan, which was the genesis of a contributing editor for Communication Arts (CA) Magazine. In the late 60's Susan was appointed Vice President, Executive Designer of Goldsholl and Associates. She left Goldsholl in the early 70's to assume the position of Vice President at Latham Tyler Jensen (LTJ) for several years before beginning her private practice, Susan Jackson Keig Design in the mid-seventies which she continued until her death in 2018. Susan was a member of the Advisory Board of the Blue Grass Trust and provided design and select artwork for the four booklets on the history of Jessamine County Kentucky written by her sister, Billy Jackson Bower. Susan provided significant contributions to Shakertown of Pleasant Hill for almost 50 years and is listed in R. Roger Remington's Graphic Design History Resource as a woman pioneer in design and a key individual in the development of American design. Susan was preceded in death by her two husbands, Chauncey Karstrom and Peter Keig, her two sisters, Nancy Ann Jackson Harris, Memphis, TN, and Billy Jackson Bower, Nicholasville, KY. Mrs. Keig is survived by her son, J. J. Keig and wife Rebecca of McKinney, Texas, and several nieces and nephews. A reception celebrating her life and achievements will be held Wednesday, June 20 from 5:30 — 7:30PM The Cliff Dwellers 200 S. Michigan Avenue, 22nd floor, Chicago IL



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Lewis, Sheila S.

Sheila S. Lewis, nee Libby, age 85. Beloved wife of the late Robert David Lewis. Cherished mother of Ira, Sigmund (Virginia), Morris (Maureen), Isidore "Izzy" (Kaye), and Dean (Chris) Kharasch and step-children Steve (Maureen), Ken (Susan) and Michael (Yelena) Lewis. Devoted grandmother of Samantha, Jessica, Cassandra, Zoe, Sam, Manny, Eleanor, Gregory, Eliana, Ariella and Sarah Kharasch, Danny (Lindsey) and Nicky (Markie) Batrich, Elizabeth (Mark) Goldman, Jennifer (Jory) Benerofe, Jeff (Lisa) Lewis, Abbey Miller, Lindsey (Kyle) Hackbarth, Lisa Lewis, Cassie (Trevor) Tompkins, Hillary Lewis. Dear mother-in-law of June Guinnan and loving sister of Jack Libby. Fond sister-in-law of Marlene Libby, Elaine Lans and Shirley Behr. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Former wife of the late Dr. Jerome Kharasch. Funeral service Sunday 12 Noon at Shir Hadash Synagogue, 200 W. Dundee Rd., Wheeling, Interment Westlawn. Contributions in Sheila's name to Shir Hadash Synagogue, 200 W. Dundee Road, Wheeling, IL 60090 would be appreciated. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or www.mitzvahfunerals.com



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Marcus, Margorie

Margorie Marcus, beloved wife of the late Dr. Sameul Marcus, happily married for 60 years; loving mother of Hilary (Samuel) Sallerson, Alan Marcus and the late Robert Marcus (Marguerite); cherished grandmother of Louis, Joseph, Lauren, Scott and Alexandra; a treasured aunt to nieces and nephews. Private graveside service. Memorials in Margorie's honor may be made to a charity of your choice. Info and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Payne, John Howard

John Howard Payne, age 81, at rest May 30, 2018. Insurance broker specializing in airline insurance for over 50 years. Admired and respected by his clients and peers for his honor, ethics and generosity, not to mention his class! Those who knew him considered him to be the "consummate gentleman". Born to Kelvin and Flora Payne nee Addis in Marysville, Ohio. Will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of nearly 34 years, Cynthia; extended family and his true and loyal friends. Per Howard's request, the cremation rite and interment will be accorded privately. A private memorial (or 3 or 4!) will be held at a later date. Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, a cause very dear to Howard's heart. INFO: 815-385-2400 or visit www.justtenf.com.

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Rauscher, Richard Lee

Richard Lee Rauscher, age 74. Beloved husband of Janet Rauscher nee MacArthur; loving father of Douglas Rauscher, Matthew Rauscher, and Andrew (Eileen) Rauscher; beloved son of the late August and Agatha Rauscher nee Woehl; fond grandfather of Clara and Mary Rauscher; dear brother of Wilmer Rauscher, the late Elmer Rauscher, and the late Donald Rauscher; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation, Sunday June 3, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave. Norridge, IL 60706. Lying in State Monday from 10:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Service at 11:00 a.m. at Park Ridge Presbyterian Church. Interment to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie. For more info call 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com



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Sircar, Mary E.

Mary E. Sircar, 82, of Elgin, formerly of Woodstock, passed away on Saturday, May 26 2018 at her home. Born August 24, 1935 in Chicago to the late George and Charlotte (Kociak) Borchman. She was married to the late Dr. Amito Sircar.

Mary graduated from the St. Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing in Chicago in 1956. Past President of the Woodstock Food Pantry; and Board member of the Woodstock Opera House. She enjoyed spending time with her children and extended family.

Mary is survived by her children, Anita (Ray) Nagem, Monica (William) Hemmings Sircar, Mark Sircar; grandson, Raymond Nagem; two sisters, Bonnie Borchman, Georgia Montesano; nephews, Bob Montesano and Mike Montesano.

Family and friends will gather at St. Mary Catholic Church on Monday, June 4, 2018 from 9:00 am until the 11:00 am Funeral Mass. Interment will be private. Info at www.slmcfh.com.

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Weinberg, Jack

Jack Weinberg, 93. Beloved husband of nearly 70 years to Annette nee Lev. Loving father of Jeffrey (Barbara) Weinberg, Debbie (Richard) Zulfacht and the late Nancy Weinberg. Cherished grandfather of Kimberly, Lindsay, Jonah (fiancé Rachel) and Sasha. Dear uncle and great uncle of many nieces and nephews. Graveside service Sunday 12 noon at Memorial Park Cemetery, (section Makom Shalom South) 9700 Gross Point Road, Skokie. In lieu of flowers, memorials to WTTW, (P.B.S. Television) Attn: Member Viewer Services, 5400 North St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625 www.wttw.com would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** — Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com



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Wierz, Joseph Edward 'Joe'

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Demetrius Ramsey AKA Demetrius Antwon Ramsey (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 17JA00051

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 18, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Maxwell Griffin in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 06/15/2018, at 9:30 AM, in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS June 2, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Hazel Cobern

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Diane Cobern (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00432

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Gerardo Zarate (Father), AKA Lalo Verta, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 4, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Maxwell Griffin in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 06/15/2018, at 9:30 AM, in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS June 2, 2018

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Tuesday, June 5, 2018
2:45 PM
Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

There will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes.

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT, AUTHORIZING VIDEO GAMING IN UNINCORPORATED COOK COUNTY

Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has requested an IDNR/CMP Federal Consistency Determination for the resurfacing of the Waukegan Harbor South Pier, in Lake Michigan, in Waukegan, IL. Inquiries and requests to view the complete application may be directed to Jim Casey of the IDNR/CMP's Chicago Office at (312) 793-5947 or james.casey@illinois.gov. The full application is also available at <https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/cmp/Pages/CMPFederalConsistencyRegister.aspx>. You are invited to send comments regarding this project to 160 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 5-703, Chicago, IL 60601 by July 2, 2018.

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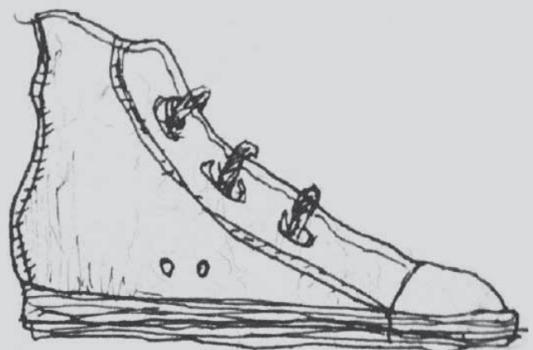
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SATURDAY, JUNE 2

NORMAL HIGH: 75°

NORMAL LOW: 54°

RECORD HIGH: 92° (1944)

RECORD LOW: 38° (2003)

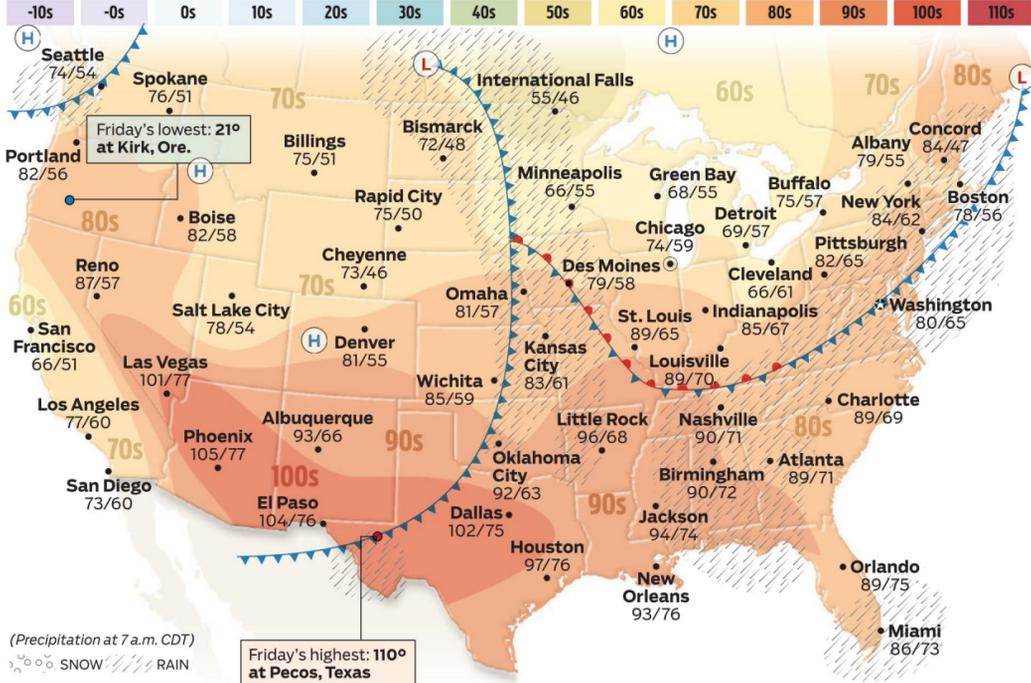
Cooler weekend ahead after holiday scorcher

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 74 | **LOW** 59

■ A world of difference from last Saturday when temperatures hit 90-degrees.
 ■ A mix of sun and clouds. Seasonable warmth inland where highs reach the middle 70s, but cooler lakeside locations where northeast winds 10-18 mph keep readings in the lower 60s.
 ■ Comfortable humidity levels.
 ■ An overcast assembles by evening with showers and a few thunderstorms developing by midnight and ending by daybreak. Lows hold around 60-degrees.

NATIONAL FORECAST



The Memorial Day weekend was a scorcher, the city's warmest on record, with highs climbing well into the 90s, but temperatures this weekend will be sharply cooler with readings averaging about 20 degrees lower yet still seasonably comfortable for early June.

Inland highs will reach the lower and mid-70s Saturday, though onshore winds will keep lakeside readings in the 60s. A fast-moving weather disturbance will bring a round of showers and thunderstorms to the city Saturday night, but the precipitation should exit by daybreak Sunday, setting the stage for a mostly sunny and comfortably mild day with highs once again reaching the lower and mid-60s.

Warmer weather will gradually return in the week ahead with readings reaching the middle and upper 80s later next week.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

HIGH 73 | **LOW** 56

Lingering morning clouds thin and break setting the stage for a partly sunny day. Seasonable highs reach the lower/middle 70s. Fresh northwest winds 10-20 mph.

MONDAY, JUNE 4

HIGH 75 | **LOW** 58

A picture-perfect day. Seasonably mild with comfortable humidity. Highs peak in the middle/upper 70s. Afternoon cooling at the beaches as light lake breezes move onshore.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

HIGH 75 | **LOW** 56

A meteorological clone of Monday. Plenty of sun, seasonable warmth and comfortable humidity levels. Highs reach the middle and locally upper 70s, but once again afternoon cooling along the shore.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

HIGH 81 | **LOW** 61

A sunny start, but clouds increase through the day. Warmer, more humid as south winds increase to 10-17 mph. Highs climb into the lower 80s. Chance of showers/t-storms late and into the night.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

HIGH 85 | **LOW** 64

More clouds than sun. Warmer and more humid with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms affecting up to 40 percent of the area. Temperatures reach the middle 80s. South winds 10-18 mph.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

HIGH 87 | **LOW** 64

Summery weather continues partly sunny, very warm and moderately humid. Highs cluster in the upper 80s with warmest locations reaching 90.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 You said that Subtropical Storm Alberto was partially responsible for our recent heat. Wasn't there a similar scenario for last September's heat wave?
 — Brian Beecher

Dear Brian,
 You are correct. Last September, the Chicago area was hit by late-season heat that set seven straight record highs in the lower and mid-90s from Sept. 20-26, while hurricanes Jose and Maria were moving north along the Atlantic Seaboard. The effect of tropical systems moving north in the Gulf of Mexico or along the East Coast are twofold in bringing heat to the central and eastern U.S. Air venting out of the top of these storms compresses and warms as it subsides, leading to higher surface temperatures. In addition, the northbound storms slow the eastward progression of weather systems, holding cold fronts that would normally move through Chicago at bay.

Write to: ASK TOM
 2501 W. Bradley Place
 Chicago, IL 60618
 asktomwhy@wgnv.com

WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koehnman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



Area temps crash as brisk NE winds blow heat out of town

AREA TEMPERATURE PULLBACK:

From Thursday to late Friday

LOCATION	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	CHANG
NORTHERLY ISLAND	88°	52°	-36°
VALPARAISO	91°	57°	-34°
WAUKEGAN	87°	54°	-33°
O'HARE	89°	58°	-31°
MIDWAY KANKAKEE	90°	60°	-30°
JOLIET	90°	63°	-27°
ROMEDEVILLE	87°	61°	-26°
WEST CHICAGO	87°	62°	-25°
ROCKFORD	87°	71°	-16°

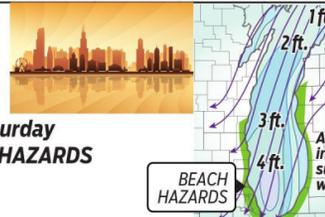
HIGHS Thursday

4" HIGHER THAN A YEAR AGO

LOCATION	TEMP
Chicago shoreline water temp	65°
Lake Michigan water temps	61°
Chicago Offshore crib	65°
Wilmette buoy	55°
Michigan City	57°
NOAA Mid-Lake Buoy	53°
	47°

LAKE TO CALM SLOWLY SATURDAY

In effect into Saturday morning: BEACH HAZARDS
 ✓ High waves
 ✓ Rip current



PREDICTED CHICAGO SHORELINE WAVE HEIGHTS

5 AM SATURDAY	8 AM SATURDAY	11 AM SATURDAY
4 ft.	3 ft.	3 ft.
2 PM SATURDAY	5 PM SATURDAY	8 PM SATURDAY
2 ft.	2 ft.	2 ft.

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

TOM SKILLING, JACOB POZEZINSKI AND JENNIFER M. KOHNKE / WGN-TV

MIDWEST CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	90	65	pc	81	59
Carbondale	pc	88	63	pc	79	57
Champaign	pc	87	62	pc	80	57
Decatur	pc	82	59	pc	77	56
Moline	ts	85	60	pc	76	57
Peoria	ts	84	59	pc	81	60
Quincy	cl	76	57	pc	70	54
Rockford	cl	89	63	pc	82	60
Springfield	cl	81	59	pc	75	55
Sterling	cl	81	59	pc	75	55

OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albino	pc	100	67	pc	91	68
Albino	pc	79	55	pc	78	51
Albuquerque	su	93	66	ts	82	62
Amarillo	pc	89	56	pc	87	60
Anchorage	su	67	50	pc	62	48
Asheville	ts	81	63	ts	84	60
Aspen	su	77	45	ts	69	41
Atlanta	pc	89	71	ts	88	64
Atlanta City	ts	76	61	pc	63	55
Austin	pc	100	76	pc	97	76
Baltimore	su	84	65	pc	66	58
Billings	su	75	51	pc	82	56
Birmingham	pc	90	72	ts	86	62
Bismarck	pc	72	48	su	81	55
Boise	su	82	58	su	91	58
Boston	sh	78	56	su	60	50
Brownsville	pc	97	77	pc	98	77
Buffalo	pc	75	57	pc	78	57
Burlington	pc	74	50	pc	76	53
Charlotte	ts	89	69	pc	90	65
Charlston SC	ts	87	74	pc	88	73
Charlston WV	ts	81	62	ts	83	57
Chattanooga	pc	90	69	ts	87	62
Cheyenne	su	73	46	pc	77	53
Cincinnati	pc	85	65	ts	81	57
Cleveland	pc	66	61	ts	76	59
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eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE

Worldwide acclaim follows Messi, but native city oddly ignores him

Failure to win World Cup tops list of locals' complaints

By LUIS ANDRES HENAO
Associated Press

ROSARIO, Argentina — Right before kickoff, the plasma TVs at a nearly empty bar owned by Lionel Messi's family in his hometown were tuned to a tennis match instead of the Barcelona game.

The only clues were some photos of Messi. No one seemed to care about the game until a couple walked in hurriedly and asked a waiter to change the channel. They were college students from Germany, and they had saved for months to come all the way to Rosario for a pilgrimage to their idol's native city.

To call them hard-core Messi fans would be an understatement. But by this point they were a bit disappointed: They had seen no Messi statues, billboards, plaques or museums. Nothing.

"Messi is playing, he's from Rosario. Tell me: Why is there not a line outside to watch this game?" Oshin Gharibi, 32, said as he watched the match next to his girlfriend, Lena Wagner, 23. She wore a royal blue Barcelona shirt adorned with Messi's number 10 on the back.

"It seems like I feel more for Messi than Rosarinos," Gharibi said. "Messi is such a big star from such a small place. How can you not give him the recognition that he deserves?"

It's a mystery that confounds many. Cristiano Ronaldo has an airport named after him on his Portuguese home island of Madeira. Pele has a museum in his Brazilian native city of Santos. Even Rocky Balboa, a fictional boxer, has a statue in Philadelphia.

So why does Rosario, a city that lives and breathes soccer, seem to have an ambivalent relationship with Lionel Messi, the world's most famous soccer player?

Many here seem to come back to the same theories: a soccer-mad city divided by the rivalry of its two beloved clubs, the never-ending comparisons to Diego Maradona, and a word repeated in Argentina all too often — "exitismo." Roughly translated, it means anything but winning is worthless.

In a decade of winning trophies for his Barcelona club, the best player of his generation has yet to deliver a World Cup for Argentina, as Maradona did in 1986. The tournament in Russia might be the last chance for Messi, who will turn 31 during the World Cup.

Back at the bar, a TV commercial for the World Cup says it's time for Argentines to believe in the national team again. Outside, and seemingly as if on cue, Leandro Intile jogs across the street wearing the jersey of Argentina's national team with Messi's name on the back. But the college student says it's just a coincidence. He bought it for the 2014 World Cup, and it was "the first clean shirt" he grabbed from his closet.

"People follow Messi. I do, but it's not like Maradona," Intile said. "There's not much of anything Messi-related here. There should be. Perhaps Rosarinos are not very demonstrative — like Brazilians, who like to dance and show their feelings."

Rosario, a river port and Argentina's third-largest city, is on the bank of the Parana River about 180 miles northwest of Buenos Aires. It's best known for being the country's agricultural hub, the hometown of revolutionary leader Che



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Young people train at the Newell's Old Boys youth training headquarters in Rosario, Argentina, the hometown of soccer great Lionel Messi.



German tourists Oshin Gharibi, left, and Lena Wagner pose for a photo at a restaurant owned by Lionel Messi's family.

Guevara and a talent factory for some of Argentina's best soccer players and coaches who have triumphed in clubs worldwide.

But Rosarinos like to say only two teams really matter, and they like to show it. You'll see it in the yellow and blue colors of Rosario Central painted on concrete barriers along the highway as you enter the city. And in countless murals painted in the black and red of Newell's Old Boys — its eternal rival, and Messi's childhood club.

"You breathe football everywhere in Rosario, but, curiously, the air doesn't smell of Messi. There are hardly any photos, or pictures, nor even advertisements depicting Leo," author Guillem Balague writes in "Messi," the official biography.

Everybody seems to have a story about Messi, but "the city does not seem to want to gloat," Balague says. "It's almost as if it is considered vulgar to have his face posted everywhere. Or perhaps they have just decided to respect his low profile. When you ask him what his favorite memories are, he is in no doubt. 'My home, my neighborhood, where I was born.'"

One of the murals depicting Messi in Rosario is a few blocks from his childhood home. It shows him smiling with one of his sons in his arms, and it reads: "Lionel: tu barrio te espera campeón!" (Your neighborhood waits for you champ!)

Eduardo Mazzini, 64,

said he let a group of young neighbors decorate one of the walls of his former gas station four years ago for the last World Cup. He has known the family for years.

"Lio would walk by here with his grandma and with the ball under his arm on his way to the field," Mazzini said.

He then points to a project for a sports museum that is being built nearby.

"That's where they should have a Messi museum," he said.

Here, neighbors greet each other by name and kids ride bikes on narrow streets. Everyone seems to agree: The Messis are a humble, decent family; Lionel was a good kid, and he lived for one thing only — the soccer ball.

As they walk up to the rusty, unmarked gate of Messi's childhood home, the German tourists can hardly contain their joy. When they try to leave a handwritten letter for their favorite player on the mailbox, the house alarm goes off.

"We could have traveled to a beach in Barcelona, Thailand or Australia, but we came here," Wagner said. "And it's worth it because we get to see the places where he grew up and the people who knew him."

Jose Manicavale, 44, has lived most of his life across from Messi's childhood home.

"I've known Lio since he was in his mother's belly," he said. "He began to play



Lionel Messi waves to fans at a training session last weekend in Buenos Aires.

here in our streets. The whole neighborhood feels pride and satisfaction because we have a representative of Argentina in the whole world. And he's ours!"

Messi is still very much connected to Rosario. His accent and expressions are unchanged, even though he left the city as a teen, 18 years ago. He returns on every occasion and has been spotted riding a bike or shopping around town.

He also celebrates almost every goal the same way: pointing two fingers to the sky in memory of his maternal grandmother, Celia, who encouraged him to overcome challenges and become a professional player. Last year he also married his childhood sweetheart in Rosario.

As a wedding gift, some of his childhood friends in La Bajada painted a large mural on a wall at a small field where they used to play as kids. It shows a bearded Messi surrounded by colorful planets, and on a corner it reads: "From another galaxy — and from my neighborhood as well."

On a recent day, Walter Barrera, 31, walked into the field with his pit bull puppy. Barrera attended elementary school with Messi and now works at a nearby gas station.

"Everyone loves him here," he said. "He already has the recognition. He's amazing."

But sometimes the love has been unrequited.

A teenager tried to punch him as he was leaving a restaurant in his hometown in 2011. Messi downplayed the incident, saying he "didn't feel a thing." Local media said that the teen was a fan of Rosario Central, the archrival of Messi's Newell's club.

The head of the civil registry who married Messi was asked in a radio interview if the ceremony, which was attended by some of the biggest names in soccer, had been the most important wedding of his life.

"No, not at all," Gonzalo

Carrillo said. "The most important wedding that I officiated was my best friend's wedding."

Unsettled by the answer, the journalist said, "But surely it's the most important document in possession of Rosario's civil registry."

Carrillo responded: "Not at all. The most important one in the civil registry is the birth certificate of (Ernesto) Che Guevara."

The image of Guevara can be found on T-shirts, key rings and tattoos, a global symbol. In his native city, a banner marks the building where he was born, and there's a center devoted to the study of his life. But he has also attracted controversy. Last year, a think tank launched a petition to remove a statue from Rosario's Che Guevara square.

"I don't think it's something against Messi, but perhaps something cultural that we have to evaluate and rethink about what we do with our two or three idols, people who perhaps deserve more recognition — and if we're going to give it to them while they're still alive," said Sandro Alzugaray, a sculptor.

Alzugaray keeps a small-scale model for a 2-meter statue he wants to build to pay homage to Messi.

"Why hasn't it been fulfilled? I don't have the answer," he said. "Alzugaray said about the plan he presented to city officials four years ago and that is still pending approval. 'It hasn't happened, and it's unfortunate.'"

Not everyone agrees. Across the street, Ezequiel Videla, 36, parks cars for a living wearing the yellow-and-blue-striped shirt of Rosario Central.

"Maybe other fans of Rosario don't like Messi because he comes from Newell's," he said. "I think we should support the dude. But you can't pay homage to Messi because he hasn't really won anything for Argentina. The day he wins a World Cup like Maradona, then maybe I'm not denying that he's a great player, but building a monument or a statue for him wouldn't be right."

Maradona played for Newell's in 1993. The Church of Maradona, a mock religion, was also founded by a group of fans in Rosario in the late '90s and has grown to more than 100,000 members worldwide.

Messi was born a year after Maradona led Argentina to the World Cup trophy in 1986. But he has faced comparisons to the former Argentine captain throughout his life, even

when they could not be more different off the field. While Maradona was involved in numerous scandals and battled drug addiction for years, Messi is known for being understated and shunning the limelight, preferring the company of his family and close friends.

"When I see him on TV, I think of that little kid on this same yard doing those same dribbles," Andrea Liliana Sosa, one of Messi's former teachers, said near a large Messi mural painted at his elementary school by an artist with help from students.

"For us, the teachers who took care of him, it hurts to hear the criticism, the comparisons to Maradona. They don't give him the importance he deserves. It's as if the city can't grasp that Lionel is from here. Maybe because we're so obsessed with being successful and he hasn't won a World Cup."

A mural of a young Messi clad in the red and black colors of Newell's features at the club's youth sporting complex. It's the only sign that he was a standout player here as a child. Photos of former coaches and players lifting trophies decorate the cafeteria's walls. But there's not a single image of the five-time FIFA world player of the year.

"I think we're not using the marketing correctly," said Gustavo Pereira, a Newell's youth division coach. "He hasn't been chosen as a benchmark of the club. Sometimes delegations of tourists from the Netherlands or Japan will pass by here and they're in awe, and we don't even notice. No one uses his name. It's a mystery."

That mystery seems to have another side, another theory that says perhaps Rosarinos care so much about Messi that they respect his privacy because they want him to keep coming back to the city.

"I know it sounds pretty absurd that Messi is not even included in the city's touristic package," said Hector De Benedictis, Rosario's tourism secretariat.

In his hand, he held copies for a Messi tour his office has tried twice to launch. But the Messi family rejected the plan because of privacy concerns.

"Unfortunately, you have a beloved character, an unquestionable character from any point of view, but the truth is that you also don't want to do something against his wishes," he said. "When people ask me about a Messi tourist tour, it pains me as if I'm being stabbed. But it's a question of ethics."

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THE GREAT ONE'S GREATEST GAME IS FROZEN IN TIME

Hat trick to eliminate Leafs, send Kings to '93 Cup final remains best effort in storied career

By CURTIS ZUPKE
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The details come back to Wayne Gretzky as if he just finished a shift at old Maple Leaf Gardens.

The passion is in his voice, the memories still glowing. To listen to him talk about his Game 7 performance in the 1993 Campbell Conference finals is something akin to an artist reflecting on his masterpiece, brush stroke by brushstroke.

"I remember everything about that game like it was yesterday," Gretzky said.

Twenty-five years ago this week, Gretzky played the best game of his career, scoring a hat trick against the Maple Leafs to launch the Kings into their first Stanley Cup Final.

It ended one of the best series in hockey history and represented the apex of the Gretzky era in Los Angeles that lifted California hockey into another stratosphere.

In an interview with the Los Angeles Times, Gretzky looks back on it a quarter-century later.

Prologue

It was a disjointed run-up to the playoffs for Gretzky. He sat out 39 games because of a herniated disc in his back, his first abbreviated season with the Kings, and for the first time in his career, he was not a finalist for a postseason award.

But, at 32, he was still Wayne Gretzky, and he forced Game 7 with his overtime goal in Game 6, a conversion of Luc Robitaille's pass that whipped the Forum into a fervor. It was controversial: Gretzky high-sticked the Maple Leafs' Doug Gilmour earlier in the game, a noncall that still infuriates Leafs fans.

The Kings were one win from the final. But an entire country was rooting against them.

"I know that the majority of people from Vancouver to Newfoundland probably, in their hearts, wanted to see the old '60s final with Montreal and Toronto," Gretzky said. "But most of my friends and family that were from that area were pulling for us and pulling for me, so we didn't feel it internally, but we kind of knew it was out there."

Canadiens forward Gilbert Dionne put it out there before the Kings-Maple Leafs series was done when he said of facing Toronto: "It's going to be a big battle. We can't wait."

The Kings were the clear underdog. Their 39 victories were the third fewest of any team in the playoffs, and they started every series on the road. But something meshed under coach Barry Melrose, and Gretzky cites an assist from two unlikely sources that helped them march back into Toronto.

"The ride became bigger and better," Gretzky said. "When we got to that point in time, the organization allowed (actors) Alan Thicke and (John Candy) to follow us. Even though they're huge Canadians, they kind of took a stance that they were cheering for us. We kind of felt that."

Game 7 was on a Saturday night, with Canada on the verge of celebration. But the Kings carried poise.

"We were really relaxed," goalie Kelly Hrudey said. "Eight or 10 of us went out the night before and had a nice steak dinner. Nobody spoke about what anybody's plans were for the summer."

If there was any nervousness before Game 7, forward Mike Donnelly recalled Candy, of all people, breaking the ice in the locker room.

"If I remember correctly, before the game John Candy came in and gave us a pep talk," Donnelly said. "It was right around the time, normally, when Barry would speak. He said, 'Well, boys, you know what's at stake...'"

"He was kind of serious. We just started laughing. I think he just made us all relax a little bit more. We knew what the task was. We believed in our team. We felt good about ourselves. You're going into an elimination game. You've got the best player in the world on your team."

Piano man

After the Kings eliminated the Flames and the Canucks in the first two rounds, Gretzky said, "I think we were physically, mentally tired as a group." But he credited Melrose and assistant coach Cap Raeder for managing the grind.

"They kept it as relatively loose as you could keep it throughout the playoffs," Gretzky said. "You felt good with your group. ... Barry was big on not practicing long. He was old-fashioned. Barry's big thing was he wanted to practice every day, but he didn't practice long."

As Gretzky recalls, the day after Game 6, the Kings had a 20-minute timeout, a brief morning skate before Game 7. He took the ice that morning.

"Certain arenas you want to get on the ice," said Gretzky, who grew up an hour from the venue. "Maple Leaf Gardens is one of those arenas."

At that time, a sentiment grew in the



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Wayne Gretzky is mobbed by his Kings teammates after finishing a hat trick to eliminate the Maple Leafs in the 1993 conference final.

media that Gretzky was fading. He went pointless in Game 5. A Toronto columnist wrote that Gretzky looked as if he were skating with a piano on his back, and many thought Gilmour, the Hart Trophy runner-up that year, was outplaying him.

"I remember Tony Granato coming up to me at the morning skate and saying, 'The papers say it looks like 99 is slowing down,'" Donnelly said. "Tony kind of chuckled (and said): 'We're going to win for sure tonight. You don't want to get that guy mad. I'll never forget that.'"

First goal

The 15,720 fans packed into the Gardens booed Gretzky at the start, residue from the high-stick incident in Game 6. Gretzky silenced them 9 minutes, 48 seconds in with a short-handed goal.

Jari Kurri intercepted the puck from Gilmour in the Leafs' end and passed it to Gretzky at neutral ice. Gretzky broke in on a two-on-one with Marty McSorley, whose pass Gretzky took off his right skate and snapped into an open net.

"That looks easy, but it's not easy to do," Robitaille said.

It was natural for Gretzky to send the initial pass to McSorley, but for McSorley to give it back?

"Marty was way better offensively than people give him credit for," Gretzky said. "I've known him since he was 16, and he's always been underrated offensively."

"From that point, it didn't surprise me; '93 was probably the best hockey he ever played in his life. Quite frankly, I was probably the only person in the building expecting him to pass. When we got to the bench, I would have yelled at him for not giving me the pass back."

Second goal

A heavyweight tilt was underway. Gretzky assisted on a Tomas Sandstrom goal late in the first period to make it 2-0, but the Leafs tied it seven minutes into the second period. Fewer than three minutes later, Gretzky struck again. The Maple Leafs' Peter Zedel fell near the boards on a rush. Rob Blake grabbed the puck and got it to Gretzky, who headed it up to Sandstrom.

Trailing the play, Gretzky took a backhand pass from Sandstrom down the right side. The Leafs' Kent Manderville went for the puck and missed as Robitaille tied up Bob Rouse in front of the net. Gretzky cut to the high slot and slapped it past the glove of Felix Potvin.

"It was a lucky play," Gretzky said. "I think (Manderville) missed the puck, and he missed it on the way to my stick."

"It calmed the game down. It allowed our team, for a certain amount of time, to play the style that we wanted to play. We knew

they were going to come back. (But) we were able to calm down. It was getting much chippier."

Robitaille said it wasn't just luck on that play.

"He had a way to cut across, but that whole series, they played him really tight," Robitaille said. "But for some reason, he found a way. That's a Wayne Gretzky goal ... he's had hundreds of those. And you just knew right then and there that it was something special."

Third goal

The Kings took a 4-3 lead on a rush play that flipped the game again.

Alexei Zhitnik's shot bounced off Rouse to Donnelly, who put it into an open net from the right side at 16:09. Donnelly leaped into McSorley's arms, and the two fell in a heap. It was Donnelly's only shot on goal that night.

"I think I jumped about five feet in the air," Donnelly said. "I landed on top of him. I said, 'Marty, I'm sorry.' He said, 'It's OK.'"

What happened next is pure Gretzky lore. Dave Ellett's shot in the Kings' end was blocked. Gretzky collected the puck at mid-ice and began skating down the right side.

"(Dave) Taylor and (Pat) Conacher both got hammered on the boards," Gretzky said. "They're behind me. I knew there was two guys there, and all I was thinking was I've got to get on my horse. Get to another gear and get wide on the defensemen."

Todd Gill shadowed Gretzky as Gretzky circled around the net. Gretzky curled back and sent the puck toward Ellett. The defenseman stood sentry, facing away from the play, and the puck took a perfect hop off his right skate, past Potvin's left side, into the net at 16:49 for a 5-3 Kings lead.

To this day, Gretzky says he didn't know the puck would bounce like that.

"I'd like to (say yes), but no," Gretzky said with a laugh. "To me it was my best goal of the series, because Toronto put pressure on us at 4-3. They always say just put it on net, never knowing what can happen, and that's what happened. It hit it on the right side."

"All I remember was the jubilation in the corner."

On the television replay, in one moment in the frame, it's one on five: Gretzky and five Maple Leafs. A beat or two passed before anyone else in the building realized what had happened. Then, a gasp.

"The whole place went dead," Robitaille said. "I think everybody knew that was it. Said Gretzky: 'The goalie didn't see it. The TV people were looking elsewhere. I had the best view of anybody ... it was probably the hardest shot of the three.'"

Gretzky is next seen on the bench panting and smiling through his mouth guard. From his net, Hrudey caught a

glimpse of him.

"Wayne sat on the bench with both his hands clenched together," Hrudey said. "He gave a fist-pumping gesture to his father. I was able to witness it. I don't know if many other people saw it. I got emotional. I'm not going to say that I teared up, but I was on the verge."

Ellett made it 5-4 with 67 seconds left. Hrudey, who estimates that he played about 23 minutes that night, was too gassed to go over the boards for the final minute.

"They scored late, and that seemed to rattle the momentum and give them the energy," Gretzky said. "I had played (most of the previous) five or six minutes. The coaches told me to go out and I said no. It was the only time in my career I said: 'No. I'm tired. I can't go. I'm probably spent. I'm probably not the right guy.' The only time in my career. I can't be out there for the tying goal."

Postscript

The dream crashed in the Stanley Cup Final. The Kings couldn't overcome McSorley's illegal-stick penalty in Game 2, nor could they win an overtime game and solve Canadiens goalie Patrick Roy, and they lost the series in five games.

But for a few hours in that small Gardens locker room, made hot in late May, all was right. Gretzky accomplished what he intended upon his arrival in L.A. by putting the Kings in position to win the Cup.

On a personal level, considering the situation — Game 7 on the road with a ticket to the final on the line — Gretzky still ranks it as his No. 1 performance.

"I've said it was the best game I ever played, and I probably would continue to say that my best game was Game 7 in Toronto," Gretzky said.

Indeed, even as the Kings were on their way to losing the final, late Los Angeles Times columnist Jim Murray confirmed that Gretzky's Kings legacy was already cemented.

"Wayne Gretzky is half a hockey team all by himself," Murray wrote. "Behind that choirboy exterior beats the heart of a train robber. The halo slips when he gets the puck."

When he stepped off the ice that night in Toronto, Gretzky found his parents, Walter and Phyllis. Walter had suffered a brain aneurysm and "at that time, two years in, he didn't know a whole lot around him," Gretzky said. "(But) I knew he knew how much I loved to play in Toronto."

Even today, Gretzky says, his 79-year-old father doesn't recall much about Game 7. "But he knows," Gretzky said. "He shakes his head and says, 'Yeah, I heard he had a good game.'"

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SEDAN REVIEW



The 2018 Lexus LS 500 is a beauty

By Mark Phelan, Detroit Free Press

Long and luxurious, the 2018 Lexus LS 500 sedan is a masterwork of engineering and design wrapped around a jumble of needlessly complicated and fussy controls.

The big sedan's looks and comfort can easily stand alongside the best in the industry. It uses an all-new architecture that will be the basis for Lexus cars — and perhaps an SUV or two — for years to come. The architecture is called, you guessed it, GA-L or global architecture-luxury. Flights of poetry like that are enough to make you glad Lexus uses strings of letters and numbers rather than creating names for its vehicles.

Most new cars that are going on sale now are labeled 2019 models, but don't let the LS's 2018 tag bother you. The car is all new. Toyota built a few before Jan. 1, so it had to be called a 2018.

The LS competes with sedans like the Audi A8, BMW 7-series, Cadillac CT6, Jaguar XJ and Mercedes S-class. You might be able to stretch a point to call the Lincoln Continental Black Label AWD a competitor, but Lincoln's engineering, price and image are so different that few if any buyers considering the Lexus sedan are also shopping Ford's luxury brand.

How much?

Prices for the 2018 Lexus LS start at \$75,000 for a rear-wheel-drive model. All-wheel drive starts at \$78,220. A 3.5L V6 engine is standard, replacing the V8 that powered the previous generation. A 10-speed automatic transmission is standard.

Lexus also offers a hybrid, the LS 500h. Prices start at \$79,510. It comes with a different 3.5L V6, two electric motors, lithium-ion battery and a fancy transmission that combines aspects of a traditional automatic with the continuously variable unit most hybrids use to mimic the 10-speed's feel.

I tested a nicely equipped LS 500 with a leather-wrapped interior, Ultrasuede headliner, wood trim, panoramic sun roof, 23-speaker Mark Levinson audio; collision alert, autonomous emergency braking, power trunk lid; 10 air bags; LED head and tail lights; navigation; voice recognition, heated and ventilated front seats and more.

It stickered for \$102,640, excluding destination charges.

The LS's \$75,000 base price is far lower than its competitors', but it's a unicorn: You're never likely to see one, and I'd be a bit surprised if Lexus actually builds a totally base LS. The as-equipped price of the car I tested is competitive with the A8, 7-series, CT6, XJ and S-class.

Outstanding features

The LS is easily the most elegant sedan Toyota's ever built. Its long nose, short rear deck and flowing roof line and fenders ooze power and grace.

The interior is equally lovely. My car had the optional luxury package. You'd think you could assume luxury over \$70 grand, but the \$12,270 mega-option brings with it semi-aniline leather trim, 28-way massaging power front seats, heated power reclining outboard rear seats and more.

That's not the top rear-seat package. An executive package includes more power back seat adjustments, foot rests, power butterfly head rears and more. It goes for \$17,080 or \$23,080, depending on whether you opt for the Kiriko glass etched crystal trim.

The list of rear seat options shows what matters to Lexus owners, but the LS's running gear is impressive, too.

The 3.5L V6 — the first turbo in Lexus's flagship sedan — is smooth and powerful, producing more torque and horsepower than the 2017 LS's 4.6L V8. The 10-speed automatic transmission is fast and seamless, delivering imperceptible shifts even when accelerating hard.

My car's optional air suspension was extraordinarily effective, cushioning bumps so thoroughly that even traffic bumps were unobtrusive.

Available features include steering assist, which aims to help keep the car centered in its lane and even swerve to

2018 Lexus LS 500 All-wheel-drive, five-passenger large luxury sedan

Price as tested: \$102,640 (excluding destination charge)

Reasons to buy: Styling; ride; interior look and feel

Engine: 3.5L twin-turbo 24-valve V6

EPA fuel economy: 18 mpg city/27 highway/21; premium gasoline

Power: 416 horsepower at 6,000 rpm

Transmission: 10-speed automatic

Wheelbase: 123.0 inches

Length: 206.1 inches

Width: 74.8 inches

Height: 57.5 inches

Curb Weight: 4,938 pounds

Where assembled: Japan

avoid pedestrians when the automatic braking can't prevent a collision. The pedestrian-avoidance feature was not totally effective in a demonstration Lexus staged with dummies.

Details to note

The LS's controls for features like smartphones, navigation and audio are cumbersome and frustrating. The voice-recognition system was slow and inaccurate with destination addresses and naming contacts for hands-free phone calls. Even things as elementary as turning on the heated or ventilated front seats requires the touch pad.

If you can't dictate your destination's address, you have to use a touch pad in the center console. It's time-consuming and frustrating. For safety reasons, you can't input an address while moving. That's good, but I'm convinced other actions you can do in motion, such as turning on the heated seats, are more distracting and time-consuming than a touch screen or dedicated button would be.

Apple CarPlay and Android Auto are not available. Lexus does offer its Entune system, but I'm not a fan of automakers that inconvenience owners by insisting on their branded interface rather than the very good universal systems that are already available.

The LS 500 is a heavy car. My AWD model with air suspension had the worst weight-to-power ratio in the group, tipping the scales at 4,905 pounds, hundreds of pounds more than the competition. That, and Lexus's prioritization of comfort over sportiness, shows up in steering and handling that are perfectly competent, but less lively than competitors.

The trunk is the biggest in its class, but the short rear deck contributes to a narrow opening that makes it hard to load large objects.

Facts and figures

The LS 500's all-new 3.5L V6 produces 416 hp at 6,000 rpm and 44 lb-ft of torque from 1,600 to 4,800 rpm. It's horsepower output is so strong that I compared the Lexus V6 to V8-powered models of the A8, 7-series, XJ and S-class because none of their V6s approach 400 hp. Only the Cadillac and Lincoln V6s cross that bar, but they're both smaller 3.0L engines that don't match the Lexus.

The LS 500's fuel economy is excellent, particularly given its weight. The EPA rates it at 18 mpg in the city, 27 highway and 21 combined, using premium fuel.

The key combined figure beats all the competitors except the Cadillac CT6 and Mercedes S560, which tie the Lexus at 21 mpg. The Continental is thirstier, but less expensive to fuel, since the EPA rated it at 19 mpg combined using less expensive regular gasoline.

The verdict

The 2018 Lexus LS sedan has the looks and power to run with the world's best luxury sedans. The interior and exterior designs set new highs for the brand's opulence. The controls are needlessly fussy and difficult to use, a disappointment in a car that's loaded with much of the latest safety technology. But if you don't care much about using your smartphone and entertainment systems, it's hard to imagine a more comfortable sedan.

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- 17 Rainbows
- 18 Mariner's beacon
- 20 African antelope
- 21 Sheet of ice on the sea
- 22 ___ it; disoriented
- 23 Men and boys
- 25 Late Bernie
- 26 Noisier
- 28 Powerful
- 31 Relative by marriage
- 32 ___ Fruit; classic gum brand
- 34 "Death Becomes ___"; Meryl Streep film
- 36 Remain
- 37 Syrup flavor
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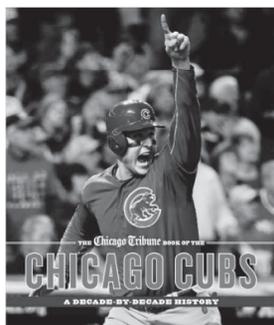
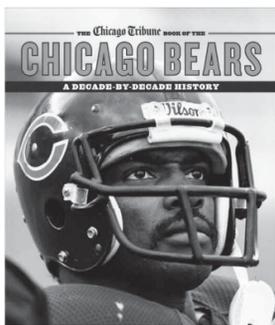
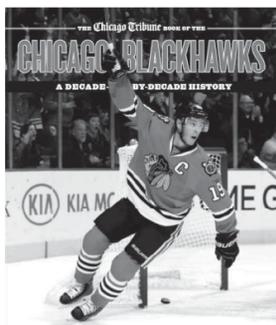
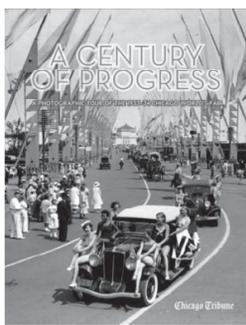
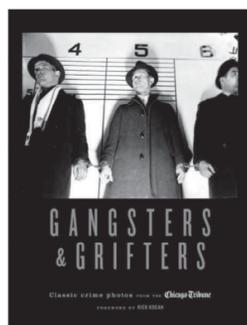
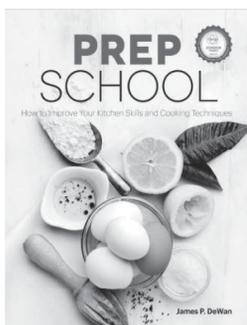
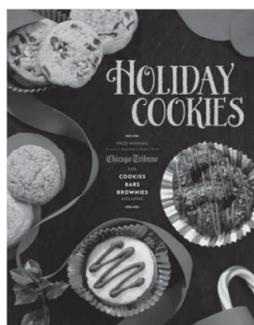
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