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BREAKING NEWS AT CHICAGOTRIBUNE.CO

U.S. voids Obama-era admission guidelines

DOJ move rescinds affirmative action policies for colleges

BY ERIC TUCKER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is rescinding Obama-era guidance that encouraged schools to take a student's race into account to promote diversity in admissions.

The shift gives schools and universities the federal government's blessing to take a race-neutral approach in admissions and enrollment decisions.

The affirmative action policies were among 24 documents rescinded by the Justice Department on Tuesday for being "unnecessary, outdated, inconsistent with existing law, or otherwise improper."

Attorney General Jeff Sessions called the changes an effort to restore the "rule of law" and blamed past administrations for imposing new rules without any public notice or comment. "That's wrong, and it's not good government," Sessions said in a statement.

The action comes amid a court fight over admission at Harvard University as well as Supreme Court turnover expected to produce a more critical eye toward schools' affirmative action policies.

The court's most recent ruling on the subject bolstered colleges' use of race among many factors in the admission process. But the opinion's author, Anthony Kennedy, announced his retirement last week, giving President Donald Trump a chance to replace him

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The Rev. Curtis Britt Sr. lost his son to gun violence last month on the West Side. He gave the sermon and eulogy at his son's funeral.

City sees less bloodshed, but West Side struggling

Despite crime-fighting technology, Harrison District leads in homicides

BY JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

As a pastor, Curtis Britt Sr. has counseled numerous grieving parents from his West Side congregation who lost children to Chicago's unrelenting gun violence.

Now, with the killing last month of his own 26-year-old

son in broad daylight, he truly understands the depth of their pain — and the obstacles to meaningful progress.

"It's sad that in certain neighborhoods ... the violence is such where it almost seems like you're in a situation where it's nothing you can do about it," said Britt, 51, who delivered the sermon and eulogy at the



Britt Jr.

funeral of his son and namesake. "A lot of (residents) have gotten to the point where they just feel like this is something that they're going to have to live with because it's not going to change."

At the halfway mark of 2018, homicides and shootings in Chicago overall have fallen by

double-digit numbers for a second consecutive year after violence hit levels in 2016 unseen for two decades. But the violence is still outpacing 2015 and 2014 levels as some communities scattered mostly through the West and South-west sides continue to struggle to make headway.

While the Police Department has heralded new technological advances for playing

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AMERICA'S PARTY ICON

The red plastic cup, a Chicago original with serious history

BY CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI
Chicago Tribune

As far as I was concerned, for as long as I could remember, the red plastic party cup just appeared one day, like that mark on your left arm and Ed Sheeran. Like, *plop*. Red outside, white inside, sturdy as a tank. They multiplied at barbecues and house parties, they were gathered up, then they reappeared the next time they were needed. No one made them, they simply were. Like the sun and moon. Which, it turns out, is not correct. The Holy Grail of party cups, the Solo red party cup, was invented in Chicago, and though Solo Cup has since been swallowed by Dart Container, red Solo party cups are not made nowhere — they are made in Urbana.



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Indeed, it goes deeper. This Fourth of July, should you find yourself holding a red plastic party cup, consider: You are not holding just a red plastic party cup, you are holding a story, a lineage, a tragedy, a comforting cultural signifier of communal

togetherness, and a darker cultural reminder of excess. You are holding a lesson in the pros and cons of ubiquity, and a model of

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As fireworks burst in air, hemp may help Fido chill

Dog owners snap up cannabidiol goods; vets group issues warning

BY VIKKI ORTIZ
Chicago Tribune

As the sound of July fireworks sends terrified dogs running into closets, under the bed and possibly even away from home, many pet owners and veterinarians are buzzing about a new way to help man's best friend relax and enjoy the holiday: products made from the marijuana plant.

Cannabidiol chews, oils and dog treats are selling out at local pet supply stores, and veterinari-

ans say clients have been eager to learn more about CBD products derived from hemp, the same *Cannabis sativa* plant as pot but which contains little or no THC, the component that provides the high.

"It's just recently come in favor," said Natalie Marks, medical director for Blum Animal Hospital in Chicago, where she recommends CBD products, which are available without a prescription for dogs and cats that have mild reactions to fireworks. "We have lots of clients that are very happy with it."

But in a statement to the

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Ousted Animal Care director fires back

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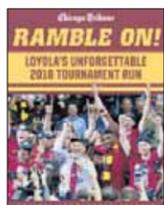
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Fireworks go off over Navy Pier at last year's Fourth of July celebration. Many have risked their lives to be Americans.



JOHN KASS

Lifting a glass to family on Independence Day

My people didn't know about Independence Day when they came to this country.

But on this Independence Day, I'll lift a glass to them, my wife's family from Sicily and my family from Greece.

They risked their lives and everything they had for the one thing America offered:

A chance to be an American.

They didn't come for a government safety net. They didn't expect that, and it wasn't offered. All they wanted was opportunity.

When they left their poor villages, they didn't know about the motto of New Hampshire, "Live Free or Die." But that's what they set out to do here in America: Live free or die.

The Fourth of July fireworks; the red, white and blue; parades; a country so rich that the people could play games, and sit and watch others play games, on green grass.

Games? Sports? Entertainment? All this was quite foreign to them.

They knew nothing about the Declaration of Independence, which established our American rights as given to us by God. And they had no clue about the Constitution of the United States that protects individual liberties against the reach of government and the passions of the mob.

Unfortunately, many born here have no clue either.

Those who grew up in the old country weren't taught such things in village schools. And they didn't know about privilege. They spent their time in the fields, plowing behind mules, bending their backs, hoeing the earth with a chopper in their hands.

They grew vegetables but not for fun, not to find refuge from the screaming in the world. They grew food to eat, to survive.

The women wove blankets at their handmade looms, and when they finally sat down at the end of the day, after working and cooking and feeding and hauling, this was their entertainment:

Knitting sweaters by lamplight with wool they'd shorn by hand. Embroidering shirts and telling stories. Their thumbs were for their needles, not for Twitter.

They weren't Americans when they came over. But they desperately wanted to become Americans in all things; in culture, language, custom. They bought in, determined to be part of this country. They read American papers religiously, looking for clues on how to become Americans.

They stripped away the old and put on the new, so their children could be Americans not only in fact of birth, but in spirit.

So, when we gather at our home on Independence Day with the American food of summer, I'll raise my glass and think of those who risked so much to come here.

My wife's father, Grandpa Don, was a Sicilian orphan of a family from Montemaggiore Belsito, near Palermo.

His mother was dead, his father wasn't around and he was alone, in New Orleans, where anti-Italian sentiment had led to lynchings in the not-so-distant past. Eventually, he came to Chicago, then fought in World War II, in France.

Distant relatives in Chicago offered him work, good cash money with which to buy nice suits and cars and take care of his family. But it was Outfit work. He wanted no part of it.

Instead, he drove a cab and washed windows, alone, and built his own large brick house far away, on the edge of a cornfield in Arlington Heights, alone, with his own two hands, literally, from the foundation up.

There he raised his family. He remembered New Orleans. He didn't want anything to do with the Outfit. He wanted to be a free American. And that is what he made of himself.

And another toast to my grandfathers who came through Ellis Island because they wanted to be free.

Papou Pete was a boy of 8, alone, a

note pinned to his shirt, the oldest son of a family with 10 daughters. It was his job to send money home, to keep them alive, to prepare their dowries.

He ended up in Massachusetts, at a shoe factory. He lived in a shack with a dozen or so other boys and one older man, their "sponsor," who preyed on them.

The sponsor took the money that was supposed to go back to the villages, money their families depended on for survival. The boys found out about it, and one night they fought back and left him on the ground.

They scattered, little boys alone, at the turn of the century. Papou Pete made his way to Utah, alone, to work on the railroads.

And my paternal grandfather, Papou Yianni, a young man with \$5 in his pocket — his life's savings — who used it to buy strawberries. He carried boxes of fruit on his back, shouting what they told him to shout: "Stomberries!"

When he was done selling that day, he tried to rent a room. But Greeks weren't allowed to sleep in rented rooms in Chicago back then. They told the Greeks to go sleep in the barn.

Papou Yianni returned to Greece and years later, back in the village, by lamplight, with the occupying German army in the streets enforcing martial law and the Communists in the mountains preparing for the Civil War and the slaughter to come, he'd tell his children about America, the promise of it.

You can be free, he told my father and my uncle. Free. You can be free in America to be anything you want.

They listened. And they came, to be free.

Thank you, America.
Happy Independence Day.

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Thank you, Trump, for changing flag stance



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

President Donald Trump is not responsible for the killing of journalists in Annapolis last week.

His belittling of the press — his “enemy of the American people” taunts, his promises to roll back libel laws, his fomenting rage toward specific journalists at rallies — is worth mentioning within the context of the murders, because it speaks to a larger concern that last Thursday’s attack on the Capital Gazette in Maryland won’t be an isolated incident. Journalists, many of whom already risk their lives covering war and violence, many of whom receive death threats regularly, feel understandable jitters about a leader who tries to turn the American public against us, particularly when we watch a member of that public shoot up a newsroom and end five lives.

It’s reckless and inaccurate, though, to pin the shootings on Trump. The suspect swore an oath to kill a Capital writer who wrote about him in 2011. Representatives from the newspaper met with police in 2013 to discuss the suspect’s threats. This all predates Trump.

It is Trump’s responsibility, however, to help the nation heal in the aftermath.

So it’s important that he reversed course Tuesday and called for the lowering of American flags in honor of the five victims.

Trump initially rebuffed Annapolis Mayor Gavin Buckley’s request over the



An American flag flies at half-staff atop the White House on Tuesday in honor of the five people who were fatally shot last week at the Capital Gazette in Annapolis, Md.

The president and the press serve different functions. And both, ideally, serve the American people.

weekend to lower flags to half-staff.

“Obviously, I’m disappointed, you know?” Buckley told the Capital Gazette on Monday. “Is there a cutoff for tragedy? This was an attack on the press. It was an attack on freedom of speech. It’s just as important as any other tragedy.”

Trump has signed proclamations ordering American flags lowered for previous mass shootings: an outdoor concert in Las Vegas, a church in Sutherland Springs, Texas, schools in Parkland, Fla., and Santa Fe, Texas.

On Tuesday morning, press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders called Buckley to tell him Trump had signed a proclamation to lower them for Annapolis as well.

Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan already had ordered state flags lowered, and Buckley had ordered Annapolis flags lowered. Now, it appears, the American flag will join them.

Brandon Rottinghaus, a University of Houston professor who studies presidential proclamations, criticized Trump’s initial refusal to lower the flags. “This is a missed opportunity to make a truce with the press,” Rottinghaus told USA Today on Monday. “To not lower the flag unfortunately says a lot about the president’s view of the members of the media.”

Let’s talk about that word “truce.” Elected officials and the press are not, by design, supposed to get along all that well. Journalists act as watchdogs to public servants — sniffing out corruption, exposing wrongdoing, checking whether campaign promises are met, pledged money is delivered, protocols are followed.

It’s an antagonistic relationship. Ask Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Ask Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner.

A truce, then, doesn’t

have to mean a loving embrace. A press that’s lovingly embraced by Trump — or any elected official — isn’t doing its job.

But it can be an agreement. It can be an acknowledgment that the president and the press serve different functions — one sets out to shape, enact and preserve an agenda; the other sets out to dissect the merits, fairness, sustainability and ramifications of that agenda. And both, ideally, serve the American people.

Calling for American flags to be lowered honors editor and columnist Rob Hiaasen, community correspondent Wendi Winters, editorial page editor Gerald Fischman, editor and sports writer John McNamara and Rebecca Smith, a sales assistant.

But it also honors the role of a free press, a right that’s spelled out in the very first amendment to our Constitution.

It’s a fitting tribute during this week that we embrace — sometimes literally — the flag more than any other week in the year. Thanks, Trump, for changing your mind.

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Naperville Ribfest: 4 days of food, music

Organizers reduce admission price for South Park events

By DAVID SHAROS
Naperville Sun

Smoke, meat, live music and carnival rides could draw as many as 200,000 people to Knoch Park this week for the 31st annual Naperville Ribfest.

The four-day event put on by the Exchange Club of Naperville kicks off Wednesday and will feature 11 rib vendors — nine returning from previous years and two making their Naperville debuts — and nightly musical headliners, including Steven Tyler, Pitbull, Melissa Etheridge, Stray Cats and Jake Owen.

“Last year, we had people from all 50 states as well as 14 foreign countries,” said Mary Howenstine, Ribfest’s director of marketing and public relations. “I actually know there is a couple coming here this year from Japan, as there have been a lot of emails flowing back and forth.”

Good publicity helps get the word out, Howenstine said. “Our event is on a lot of social media and web-based calendars, and people plan to come to the event as part of their vacation plans.”

While ribs are the drawing card — “We always like to have peoples’ favorites as well as something that is new,” Howenstine said — there are lots of other dining options available. Everything from pizza and roasted corn to coconut shrimp, turkey legs and buckets of cheese fries with bacon are on the menu.

The goal is to keep it an event that gives people a hometown feel. “The chairman and others work hard to retain the original sense of Ribfest, which was always about ribs, community, carnivals and local bands,” she said.

Organizers are also hoping to make Ribfest more affordable this year by re-

ducing the cost to the South Park portion of the festival grounds, which includes family attractions, local bands, carnival rides, a corn-eating contest, a magician show and line dancing.

“We reduced tickets to just \$5 per person instead of the general admission of \$16 last year as we realize some people aren’t interested in the main-stage acts and aren’t there for the concerts later at night,” Howenstine said.

Children age 11 and under are admitted free to the South Park, and everyone will be admitted free to South Park after 5 p.m. Wednesday to see the evening fireworks display.

On Thursday and Friday, there will also be specially priced foods, including ice cream, hot dogs and rib sandwiches, available from noon to 4 p.m.

Those paying regular admission will wear radio-frequency ID wrist bands this year instead of having to carry tickets. “These will be activated when people come into the park, and we’re hoping those in the North Park going to the concerts will find it easier,” Howenstine said.

Ribfest is ultimately a fundraiser for the Exchange Club and to date has raised more than \$16 million to help victims of child abuse and domestic violence, officials said.

Ribfest is open from noon to 10 p.m. daily. Knoch Park is located at 724 S. West St., and off-site parking and shuttle service are provided. For details, go to www.ribfest.net.

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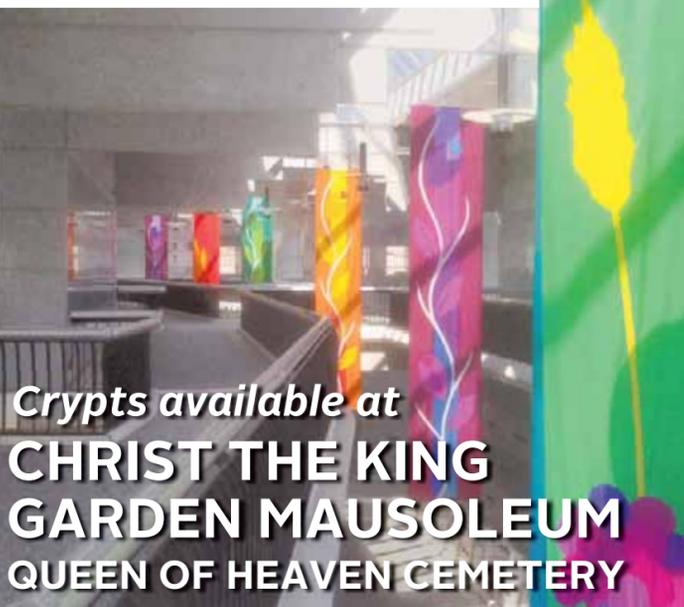
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Trevon Bosley, at the podium with the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and others rip up an Illinois State Police warning Tuesday regarding plans for a march.

Pflegger: Protest, shutdown of Dan Ryan will proceed

Anti-violence march participants may face arrest if road is breached

BY ELVIA MALAGON
Chicago Tribune

In a show of defiance Tuesday, activist and South Side Catholic priest the Rev. Michael Pflegger, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and others ripped up a statement from Illinois State Police warning of arrests if they moved forward with an anti-violence march that will shut down a portion of the Dan Ryan Expressway this weekend.

"When people keep ignoring you, you take it up a notch, and we are moving to one of the main arteries in the city to say we are not going to have business as usual," Pflegger said during a morning news conference. "We are going to continue to take it up a notch until we get responses."

In a statement issued Tuesday regarding the protest march, state police officials warned "pedestrians not to enter any expressways in Illinois, or they will face arrest and prosecution."

The group, which could include hundreds of people, plans to march about 10 a.m. Saturday in the northbound lanes of the Dan Ryan from 79th Street to 67th Street. Pflegger said they were reaching out to lawyers in anticipation of state police arresting participants.

Rieonna Holmon, 15, said she and others are demanding to meet with Gov. Bruce Rauner, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and other elected officials — along with those running for office — to

discuss solutions to gun violence. "You can't keep saying it's just gang violence because at the end of the day it's still gun violence," she said. "At the end of the day, it's still innocent human beings dying because of a stray bullet."

The group gathered Tuesday morning at St. Sabina Catholic Church, where Pflegger is pastor, wants elected officials to work to provide better jobs and better schools on the city's South and West sides, pockets of which are plagued by violence.

Three police districts on the West Side — Harrison, Austin and Ogden — have had the highest number of shooting victims so far this year. On the South Side, the Gresham and Englewood districts have each had at least 95 people shot so far this year, according to Tribune data. As of Monday, at least 1,378 people have been shot so far this year in Chicago, data compiled by the Tribune show. And at least 61 of this year's shooting victims have been children 15 and younger.

Pflegger originally estimated 1,000 people would participate in the protest, but it could draw even more people because other religious leaders and union organizers have joined the protest. The Rev. Chris Harris, of Bright Star Church in Bronzeville, and his congregation plan to attend the protest. He pointed out that officials wouldn't think twice about shutting down the Dan Ryan if President Donald Trump visited the city.

At an unrelated news conference Tuesday, Illinois State Police Director Leo Schmitz said his officers plan to physically prevent people from walking onto the

Dan Ryan. The agency has jurisdiction over the expressway.

"We're not looking to arrest people. I mean if people break the law, we may have to arrest people. But that's not what our goal is here," he said. "That's not our goal. Our goal is to save lives whether it be the young children or people in the city or motorists. We just don't want anybody to get hurt."

Chicago and state police have met with Pflegger and asked him to change his plans, but Schmitz isn't so sure he can change the priest's mind.

"I think dialogue is good. Father Pflegger has been doing this for a long time. But I would want him to know our reason for what's going on and maybe we can come to some sort of agreement," he said.

Schmitz wasn't able to say whether he would have enough troopers to staff the protest without relying on the Chicago Police Department, saying he would need to look at what resources are available that morning.

Anthony Guglielmi, a spokesman for the Chicago Police Department, estimates the department will have to deploy about 200 officers to assist Illinois State Police during the protest. Chicago police also said they don't plan to make any arrests of protesters.

Policing a protest on a highway is more complicated than closing off the Loop like police did for a recent rally aimed at protesting the separation of immigrant families, Guglielmi said.

"Closing things around the Daley Plaza are more conducive than closing an entire express-

way," Guglielmi said.

In response to police saying the protest will pull resources from neighborhoods that need it, Pflegger suggested: "Then pull them from the North Side."

Saturday won't be the first time activists have attempted to disrupt traffic in Chicago. Activists have previously disrupted traffic on the Dan Ryan and on Lake Shore Drive. Across the country, Black Lives Matter activists in recent years have temporarily halted traffic on major roadways.

Pflegger stressed that Saturday's protest is meant to be nonviolent. Holmon, one of the teens attending the protest, said she was willing to risk being arrested if it meant getting more attention for what's going on in her community.

"If it comes down to arresting me to get my voice out there and so people can understand what we go through in Chicago on the South Side and the West Side, then go ahead and arrest me," she said after the news conference.

Jackson, a longtime figure in the civil rights movement, said participants were going to put their bodies on the line and warned officials that threats wouldn't stop them from halting traffic on the Dan Ryan. And if Saturday's protest doesn't bring about immediate change, the group says it will continue civil acts of disobedience.

"This is the beginning," Pflegger said.

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Naperville parcel could be key to commuter parking

Groups see possible future structure on children's museum site

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Community groups and a steering committee studying redevelopment near Naperville's Fifth Avenue train station have pinpointed land occupied by the DuPage Children's Museum as the best place for a future commuter parking structure.

It's unclear and undecided what shape any additional commuter parking would take. It also remains unclear how that would affect the museum and its future.

More than 80 percent of commuters who park in permitted city lots drive from areas south of the railroad tracks, according to the city, making the museum parcel appealing because it also is on the south side of the tracks. A majority of current permit parking spaces are north of the tracks, often causing congestion in the evening when commuters make a left turn from Fifth Avenue to Washington Street.

"The Steering Committee supports a significant increase in the commuter parking on the (Du-

Page Children's Museum) lot, evaluating options for the (DuPage Children's Museum), pedestrian safety, traffic management and aesthetics," according to a presentation on the development given to City Council members at a workshop Wednesday.

The museum and the city have engaged in talks as concepts for the Fifth Avenue redevelopment progress, and dialogue is expected to continue, said Sarah Orleans, the museum's president and CEO.

"The city has expressed a commitment to ensuring the viability and fiscal well-being of the museum as an important asset so that we can continue to best serve the children, families and educators of our community," Orleans said. "This development process will be dynamic. Undoubtedly, we will be carefully considering several scenarios with our board and the city in the coming months."

Mayor Steve Chirico said any decision to relocate the museum, whether within the Fifth Avenue development area or outside, would be made by the museum board. "It will be their decision; it won't be the city's," Chirico said. "The city is not going to force them to do anything."



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The 3-acre DuPage Children's Museum property was bought by the city of Naperville for \$3 million in 2010.

Along with members of the working groups and steering committee, Chirico said he does see the benefit to having most of the commuter parking spaces south of the railroad tracks. "Then that keeps commuters and congestion out of Park Addition (neighborhood)," Chirico said.

The city of Naperville in 2010 bought the 3-acre museum property for \$3 million to help keep the museum running. DuPage Children's Museum and the city entered a 20-year agreement according to which the museum paid the city \$1 in rent for the first five years. After the first five years, annual rent was increased to \$62,056 and can be increased each year to account for inflation.

Also as part of the agreement, the city gained access to 57 parking spaces to add to its commuter parking stock.

Naperville annually puts

\$150,000 from the city's food and beverage fund toward paying down the debt it incurred from the city's capital improvement program to help pay for the property.

Curt Pascoe, director of real estate development for Ryan Cos., said it's up to the city whether the entire parcel or only a portion of it would be used for parking. Just because the land has been identified as a good spot for parking is "not to say it could only be successful with or without the museum," he said.

If Naperville City Council members give Ryan Cos. the go-ahead to proceed with the concept creation on July 17, the company could bring phase one concept images to the community by August.

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City to add cameras this summer to tag speeders

Enforcement devices will be set up near 3 schools, 2 parks

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Responding to requests from aldermen and other community members, the city's Transportation Department is adding speed cameras near three schools and two parks this summer.

The cameras, which can generate \$100 tickets for speeders, will be placed in mid-July near Hiawatha and Kosciuszko parks on the Northwest Side, the city said. In late summer, the Transportation Department will place cameras near Acero Schools: Major Hector P. Garcia MD High School on the Southwest Side, Near North Montessori School on the Near Northwest Side and Gary Comer College Prep High School on the South Side.

"Automated speed enforcement is a proven deterrent to speeding, and one of the most effective tools in our toolbox for reducing speeding and saving lives," Chicago Department of Transportation Commissioner Rebekah Scheinfeld said in a statement Tuesday.

Scheinfeld said the addition of the cameras supports the city's Vision Zero plan, launched last year. Vision Zero is an international traffic safety program that aims to eliminate traffic deaths and injuries through traffic law enforcement, changes to road infrastructure and education.

Both speed and red light cameras have been shown in studies to reduce crashes, though they are controversial in some communities because of concerns that the cameras may be aimed at generating revenue, rather than improving safety. In Chicago, the red light camera program was tainted by a bribery scandal exposed by the Chicago Tribune.

However, last year the National Transportation Safety Board issued a report urging more states and towns to use cameras as a tool to reduce speed-related crashes. Safety experts also regard automated enforcement as a way to avoid possible police bias, since cameras do not discriminate.

The city's Transportation Department has found that the number of speeding violations has been trending down in areas with speed cameras since they were deployed in 2014, and average traffic speed has dropped from 26 mph to 22.5 mph. Crash data also show that the number of crashes in areas with speed cameras was down 4 percent in 2015 compared to 2013, while for the rest of the city crashes were up 13 percent.

Speeding is one of the main causes of traffic deaths.

"Drivers who are speeding not only risk their own lives, but are jeopardizing the lives of pedestrians, bicycle riders and people in other vehicles," said Ald. Ariel Reboyras, 30th, whose ward includes Kosciuszko Park.

The additional speed camera zones will bring the total number of areas with automated speed enforcement to 68, with a total of 162 cameras in what is called the Children's Safety Zone program, the city said.

Under the program, violators receive only warnings for the first 30 days after cameras are activated. After the monthlong warning period, the first time a driver violates the speed limit, he or she will get a warning, the city said. After the first warning, tickets are issued for speeding. Fines are \$35 for vehicles traveling 6-10 miles per hour over the limit and \$100 for going more than 10 miles over.

Fines are invested in "safety initiatives and youth programs," the city said.

The cameras will go on the 8000 blocks of West Forest Preserve Avenue and Addison Street; the 3800 block of West Diversey Avenue; the 4200 block of West 47th Street; the 1400 block of West Division Street; the 7100 block of South South Chicago Avenue; and the 800 block of East 71st Street.

Hours of enforcement are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in safety zones around schools on school days, with the speed limit lowered from the posted limit to 20 mph from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. when children are present. Around parks, the hours are limited to when parks are open, usually 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

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IG clears morgue staff in cop's death probe

Watchdog finds police didn't alert office for 2 hours

By **JEREMY GORNER**
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Cook County's chief watchdog has cleared several county morgue employees of wrongdoing following an investigation into their handling of the mysterious 2015 death of veteran Chicago police Sgt. Donald Markham, according to a new report issued Monday.

Donald Markham, 51, was found fatally shot in the head in the bedroom of his Northwest Side home during the early morning hours of Sept. 2, 2015. He had been out drinking with his wife, Dina Markham, also a Chicago cop, before he was found with a bullet wound to his head. His death was ruled a suicide by the Cook County medical examiner's office.

Various staffers from the morgue were under scrutiny by Independent Inspector General Patrick Blanchard after the employees failed to respond to Markham's home to perform their own scene investigation of his death, which is required by county ordinance in cases of suicide, suspicious circumstances or criminal violence.

But on Monday, Blanchard disclosed that he cleared all morgue staffers involved in the case of any wrongdoing after finding that the office was not alerted in a timely manner about Markham's death. It



FAMILY PHOTO

Chicago police Officer Dina Markham with her husband, Donald Markham, who was also a police officer, in 2010.

is typically up to Chicago police or hospital personnel to notify the morgue about death investigations. In this case, however, Chicago police who went to the Markham residence that night removed his body from the scene before investigators from the morgue could respond.

"Given these circumstances, we believe that the (medical examiner's office) conducted its investigation in a timely and professional manner consistent with the (medical examiner's office) ordinance," Blanchard wrote in his eight-page report, made public Monday.

Also cleared of wrongdoing by Blanchard was a forensic pathologist from the morgue who performed an initial autopsy on Markham and found he committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. Those findings were disputed by an outside pathologist, hired by the FBI, who determined that someone else pulled the trigger

and Markham's death was a homicide. But the medical examiner's office stood by its original ruling.

"Both the methods employed and the conclusions reached were sound ... we also found the professionalism of those involved in this case to be evident throughout this investigation," Blanchard wrote.

Separate from Blanchard's investigation, the FBI and Cook County prosecutors conducted a year-long criminal probe to explore the possibility that Markham's death may have been covered up to look like a suicide when it was actually a homicide. But that theory was never proved and no criminal charges were filed against anyone in the joint investigation, including Chicago police officers, detectives and supervisors who worked on the Markham case.

The mystery of Donald Markham's death deepened on Memorial Day weekend 2017 when Dina Markham, 47, herself was found dead, submerged in a bathtub in the couple's home in the 5900 block of North Newark Avenue. Her death, ruled an accidental drowning by the medical examiner's office, occurred before the FBI was able to interview her about her husband's death.

When he died, Donald Markham had gunshot residue on his hand, indicating he'd either fired or was close to the weapon when it was fired, police records show. Although Dina Markham was the one who

reportedly found her husband's body, her hands were never tested for gunshot residue, the records show.

The medical examiner's office did not conduct its own investigation at the scene of his death because police didn't contact the office about it until almost 5:30 a.m., at least two hours after the incident. By then, his body was being transported to the morgue in a police wagon.

Two months later, on Nov. 13, 2015, Chicago police officially closed their investigation into Donald Markham's death under the classification "non-criminal," police reports showed.

As part of its analysis, the FBI hired forensic pathologist Scott Denton, a former chief interim Cook County medical examiner, to review the autopsy reports and photos from the scene of Donald Markham's death.

Denton's report found a number of troubling aspects about the scene that led him to conclude the shooting was, in fact, a homicide, or "death at the hands of another." Among the clues, Denton said, were blood patterns indicating Markham's arms were "lifted upward after death," the strange placement of the gun "loosely in his right hand" and a lack of small abrasions or lacerations on his index finger that typically can be seen after someone fires a gun.

Denton concluded those factors, along with several others, were consistent with Markham's body "having been moved after

death."

The morgue, meanwhile, has doubled down on its original ruling that Markham shot himself in his own bed that night. In her nine-page rebuttal report, Chief Medical Examiner Ponni Arunkumar wrote that Denton's analyses of the blood spatter and position of Markham's body ignored scientific literature that a body often continues to move — or even convulse — after suffering a gunshot wound to the head.

The position of the gun in Markham's hand was consistent with a well-known textbook on gunshot wounds showing that suicide victims often grip guns in a different way than they would if they were shooting at a target, Arunkumar wrote.

And while Donald Markham apparently left no suicide note, Arunkumar said that "neighbors, friends, colleagues and family members" of the Markhams all gave interviews indicating that the couple argued frequently and that "during these arguments they would express statements about killing themselves."

The pathologist who performed the initial autopsy told Blanchard's office he saw no defensive wounds on the sergeant or any other signs of struggle. The doctor also consulted with a former pathologist from the morgue after the autopsy, who agreed with the doctor's preliminary findings, Blanchard's report shows.

The pathologist ex-

plained to the inspector general's office that he never felt pressured or coerced into making any finding in the case," Blanchard stated in his report.

"(The pathologist) stated the subsequent (death) of Sgt. Markham's spouse could be a factor to consider in reviewing the death of Sgt. Markham," Blanchard wrote. "However, that fact alone, without something more, such as a confession in a suicide note, would not change his opinion in the case involving Sgt. Markham."

According to Blanchard's report, he noted that the medical examiner's office ordinance with respect to body removals was amended last week "removing any ambiguity concerning appropriate notification of death." He recommended that the morgue put forth more effort in communicating with law enforcement, hospital staffers, ambulance operators and funeral directors of their obligation to report a death.

Also pending is a separate probe by Chicago Inspector General Joseph Ferguson, who launched his own investigation early last year focusing on whether any city administrative rules or codes of conduct were violated.

Among the issues that could be problematic is why police waited to call the medical examiner's office to report the death by the time they were already en route with Markham's body.

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New auxiliary bishops to serve Chicago area

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The Vatican on Tuesday announced three auxiliary bishops have been appointed to the Archdiocese of Chicago, replacing two who retired.

Pope Francis tapped the Revs. Mark Bartosic, Robert Casey and Ronald Hicks as bishops-elect until their episcopal ordination at Holy Name Cathedral, the seat of the Catholic Church in Cook and Lake counties, on Sept. 17, according to the Archdiocese of Chicago.

In 2015, Hicks was appointed vicar general of the archdiocese by Cardinal Blase Cupich, Chicago's archbishop; since then, he has been celebrating Mass at a different parish each weekend. For the past two years, Bartosic has served as pastor of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary church in Little Village and has been director of the Kolbe House Jail Ministry. Casey serves on the placement board of the archdiocese, which involves assigning priests to parishes.

The three bishops-elect are to replace George Rassas and Francis Kane, who, upon reaching retirement age, both submitted letters to the pope requesting resignation, according to Anne Maselli, a spokeswoman for the archdiocese. It's not decided yet who will take over Rassas and Kane's duties.

"We are blessed to have had the service of Bishops Rassas and Kane for so many years. They have made significant contributions both as priests and as episcopal vicars, and I express my gratitude for their ministry," Cupich said in a news release.

Maselli said the three bishops-elect all were in the same class at University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, graduating in 1994.

"They are friendly as brother priests," she said.

Bartosic in 2006 was among a group of 13 priests who decided to fast during Lent, with the goal of not just growing spiritually, but also of showing solidarity with immigrants who come to this country for work and food.

"I wanted to fast to remind myself that I should be spiritually hungry for God," Bartosic, then the pastor of St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church in Cicero, said in an interview that year. "But I'm also fasting for the people in my parish. This is the reason why they come here. They come because they're hungry."

Casey also was one of the priests who fasted.

He spoke to the Tribune in 2005 when archdiocese officials unveiled a new vision for parochial education in hopes of safeguarding Catholic schools from closure.

"There are no surprises," Casey said at the time. He was then pastor of Our Lady of Tepeyac in Little Village.

"A pastor and a principal know what state their school is in. What the archdiocese is doing is trying to get us to be realistic. We've got to look at our situation and figure out how we're going to finance our school in the future."

"It's a question for the faithful," he added. "This is a time for people to decide: 'Do I believe in Catholic education?' You could spend many years plugging up these holes, and it will distract you from that larger mission."

Hicks was featured in a Tribune project that asked several local priests what went into the decision to devote themselves to God.

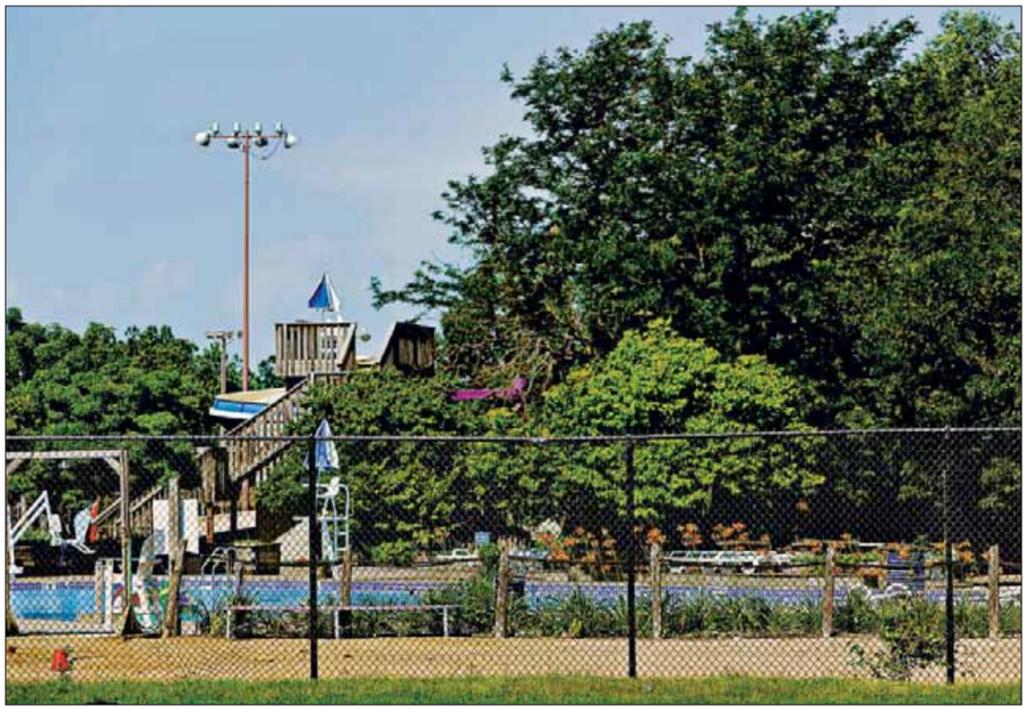
After graduating from Quigley South Preparatory Seminary and Niles College Seminary, he spent a year volunteering at an orphanage in Mexico.

"My life is going to be very rich and full because of the priesthood. It's not going to be any less of a life," he said at the time.

"A great priest," he says, "is someone who is with his people, can understand his people, can relate things from the Bible and touch their hearts. Someone who is willing to walk in their shoes."

The Archdiocese of Chicago is the third-largest in the United States, serving more than 2.2 million Catholics in 344 parishes in Cook and Lake counties.

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The Park Forest Aqua Center is closed Tuesday after a neighborhood child was found after apparently drowning.

Police probe death of boy, 10, found in pool

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Chicago Tribune

Police were investigating the apparent drowning of a 10-year-old boy who was pulled from a Park Forest village pool early Tuesday.

The Cook County medical examiner's office identified the boy as Jaleel R. Drayton of Park Forest.

A short time before 4 a.m., the boy's family called police to report that he was missing and that he had previously been seen playing near the village's Aqua Center, according to a news release from the Park Forest Police Department. While officers searched,

family members noticed the boy's clothing on the ground near one of the pools at the center. An officer scaled the security fence, pulled the child from the water and began performing CPR, but he was later pronounced dead at Franciscan Health Olympia Fields, according to the release.

Police said he apparently entered the pool facility after hours but they did not indicate how.

A spokeswoman for the medical examiner's office said no autopsy was scheduled for Tuesday.

The family of the child declined to comment. He lived a couple of blocks away from the Aqua Center.

The center was closed Tuesday while police conducted their investigation.

Authorities had placed yellow caution tape across the parking lot entrances of the center and had blocked a path immediately west of the pool.

At one point Tuesday, three police SUVs were parked at various points around the center.

Village officials did not respond to a call seeking more information about security at the pool, including whether video cameras are used to monitor the area when the pools are not in use. A message seeking comment with Jeff Ellis Management, which operates the pool for Park Forest, was not returned.

As of late Tuesday afternoon, police hadn't released any new information about the incident.

Police earlier in the day offered the department's sympathy to the boy's family.

"While any death is reason to grieve, the death of a child is particularly troubling, and the Park Forest Police Department offers its sincerest condolences to the loved ones and friends of the juvenile," police said in the release.

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Officer wounds teen who allegedly pointed gun

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A Chicago police officer shot and seriously wounded a teenage boy late Monday on the South Side after authorities said the youth approached the officer's car and pointed a gun.

The officer had stopped at a Family Dollar store between calls in a marked patrol car just after 9:30 p.m. in the 7900 block of South Yates Boulevard in the South Chicago neighborhood, according to police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

While in the car, the

officer was approached by someone who pointed a handgun at him, according to Al Stintins, another police spokesman. The officer removed his handgun from its holster and shot the teen, he said. A handgun was recovered at the scene, according to police.

Family members identified the person shot as 17-year-old Kevon Purell. He was taken to University of Chicago Medical Center in serious condition.

Purell's mother, Irma Burrage, waited outside the ER early Tuesday, wiping away tears. She hadn't yet seen her son, but doctors told her he had frac-

tured ribs and was breathing through a tube. She struggled to comprehend what detectives told her. "Who would do that?" she said. "It's suicide."

Burrage said she brought a McDonald's gift card home from work Monday night and gave it to her son to get some food. He walked a few blocks to the restaurant at 79th and Yates, she said. "He was going to get something to eat. It doesn't make sense."

Police cordoned off the Family Dollar as well as a gas station and Subway restaurant. Residents of nearby blocks stepped out to watch as police flooded

the neighborhood.

Dan Fryar was riding his bike around 83rd Street and Stony Island Avenue when he saw police cars race past. He and a group of people stood at the gas station across the street, wondering whether the stores had working surveillance cameras. "We want to know if they have outside video," Fryar said.

Detectives, as well as the Civilian Office of Police Accountability, were investigating. The officer will be placed on administrative leave for 30 days, as is routine.

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Improvements, but still struggles

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a key part in the improved overall numbers, the success has been mixed, most notably in the stark contrast in results in the city's two historically most violent districts.

The West Side's Harrison and South Side's Englewood police districts were the first in the city early last year to be equipped with nerve centers designed to help officers better predict where shootings might occur and respond more quickly to gunfire.

Through July 1, shooting incidents have plunged in the Englewood District to 77, a 29 percent decline from 108 a year earlier, according to the Police Department. Homicides fell to 23, a 26 percent drop from 31.

But the Harrison District, which includes the East Garfield Park neighborhood where Curtis Britt Jr. was fatally shot June 8, leads the city in homicides at 36, two more than at the halfway point of 2017. Shooting incidents totaled 154, a 7 percent drop from 165 a year earlier.

In a joint interview, Kenneth Johnson and his twin brother, Kevin, commanders of the two districts, couldn't say why Harrison hasn't been able to make the same strides as Englewood.

Both agreed technology is just one of many tools they use to fight crime in their districts.

Jens Ludwig, director of the University of Chicago Crime Lab, which is working with Chicago police to run the nerve centers, said the violence on the West Side appears to be more closely linked to drug activity.

"It could be that the nature of the violence itself is making it harder for the (nerve centers) to have an initial impact on the West Side," he said.

But Kevin Johnson, who heads the Harrison District, is convinced that the violence in his district would be even worse without the technology.

"What's key is getting that information to the beat officer, the units in the field," he said as he sat next to his brother at police headquarters. "They're able to work smarter. They're working faster. We're leveraging all this technology to make things happen."

Entrenched gang conflicts

Such technology isn't new to Chicago police. For the last 15 years, the department has been analyzing crime statistics to try to make informed predictions about where violence will strike next. But those analyses were performed at police headquarters, with the information trickling out to the 22 individual districts.

Now, in 13 of the districts, everyone from tactical lieutenants to station supervisors to community policing officers work each day in the nerve centers to review everything from where shootings are taking place to who is wanted on arrest warrants.

They also track high-profile shooting anniversaries that could lead to retaliatory violence as well as arrests for gun crimes.

District supervisors analyze shooting data in real time through software called HunchLab to quickly determine where best to deploy their beat patrol and tactical officers. This is all integrated with gunshot detection technology called ShotSpotter that tells officers in the field on their work-issued smartphones from where the gunfire is coming.

The technology showcased at these nerve centers includes large TV screens that display crime maps and surveillance video footage from cameras affixed to light poles at locations throughout the city.

Police and city officials struggled for years with strategies to reduce violence in Englewood and Harrison, both stricken by poverty, joblessness and school closures — all recipes for persistent crime. Entrenched gang conflicts and deeply rooted tensions between the police and the black community have also complicated crime-fighting



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Harrison District Cmdr. Kevin Johnson believes the violence in his West Side district would be even worse without new crime-fighting technology.



Englewood District Cmdr. Kenneth Johnson credits some of the reduction in violence in his district to inroads that officers have made with outreach workers and citizens.

'These people are tearing families apart'

Pastor laments killing of son, 26; no arrests made

BY JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

Curtis Britt Jr. had just driven to a West Side intersection when an occupant in another car suddenly opened fire, fatally striking him in the chest.

It was another senseless killing — this time in broad daylight on the morning of June 8. Britt, 26, who had just worked out at a health club, was a few days from starting a new job.

"These people are tearing families apart," said Britt's father, Curtis Sr., 51, a pastor at a church in the West Garfield Park neighborhood who asks for the public's help in finding his son's killer.

"My family is just totally devastated. ... He wasn't bothering anybody. He has a daughter. And now my only biological son is gone," Britt said. "For what? It's just senseless. And I think we need to get together and we need to put a stop to this. And we need to make these people accountable for what they're doing... to us."

Chicago police have released a surveillance photo of a Ford Explorer believed to have been used in the shooting near Lake Street and Hamlin Avenue, one of 36 homicides in the Harrison District through Sunday, the most of any of the 22 police districts.

As of Tuesday, detectives have yet to establish a motive for the killing, according to a police spokesman.

The younger Britt's girlfriend said the couple was going to celebrate his starting a new job delivering machinery.

"He was working to support his family," said Shannon, who did not want her last name published as a safety precaution. "(Violence) happens to innocent people who are trying to better themselves."

She said the two lived near the Garfield Park Conservatory and frequently took walks there.

The elder Britt said his son dreamed of opening a landscaping business on property owned by his father.

As a pastor at Restoration Outreach Ministries, Britt said he's consoled parents from the neighborhood who have lost their children to violence. Now, he said, he's struggling to follow the same message he dispenses.

"We try to tell them, even though this has happened, you can't let this turn into hate. You can't hate the person," he said. "And I've found that it's a different feeling when it's your child. It is. But even though, I know I have to forgive whoever that person is."

Anyone with any information about Britt's shooting should call Area North detectives at 312-744-8261.

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efforts.

The two districts are regularly the focus of elite citywide units that conduct sensitive investigations on gang conflicts and gun trafficking. FBI agents and other federal law enforcement also work on long-term cases there.

The Johnson brothers have long experience with crime issues in Englewood and Harrison. Kevin Johnson, a 27-year Police Department veteran, worked as a patrol officer in Englewood for much of the 1990s, while brother Kenneth, a 31-year veteran, was a lieutenant in Harrison before his promotion to Englewood's commander in 2016.

The brothers said the districts have their own unique set of issues.

While the illegal drug

trade affects both districts, Harrison's issues with narcotics-related violence are more pronounced because of its many open-air drug markets and proximity to the Eisenhower Expressway — dubbed the "Heroin Highway" with its easy access for drug-buying customers from the suburbs and downtown — and the CTA Blue Line.

"The open-air drug market may be as small as a particular corner or be as large as a block," Kevin Johnson said. "It speaks to the largest socioeconomic challenges that face the community. There's been a loss of jobs, businesses."

In Englewood, Kenneth Johnson said the violence is fueled more by personal disputes and gang conflicts that often erupt over social

media.

"These aren't strangers coming from one area to another area," he said. "All of these individuals know each other."

Trust not easily won

Englewood has seen some development — Kennedy-King College has expanded at the busy corridor at 63rd and Halsted streets, and a strip mall at the same corner includes a Chipotle fast-food restaurant, a Starbucks coffee shop and a Whole Foods grocery store.

But a significant drop in population has taken place there in recent years.

From 2010 through 2016, West Englewood and Englewood ranked second and third, respectively, among

Chicago's 77 communities in population decline with a combined loss of about 9,340 people, a 14 percent drop, according to U.S. Census Bureau data compiled by demography firm Rob Paral and Associates.

While African-Americans accounted for most of those losses, the Hispanic population there has been growing, to almost 2,650 at the end of 2016, more than double the total from 2010, the data show.

It's unclear, though, if the change in population has affected violence in the police district, according to criminologists.

"Crime ebbs and flows," Kenneth Johnson said. "There's going to be particular factors that we can't exactly quantify that are (causing) things to go up and down."

Johnson does credit some of the reduction in violence over the first half of the year to inroads that officers have made with anti-violence outreach workers and citizens in the communities who long distrusted the police.

Still, he acknowledged that fully winning over the community will take a lot more time.

"This trust, it's not an easily won thing," he said. "Trust is easily broken and very difficult to win."

For many years, Bishop Vesta Dixon, pastor of Evening Star Missionary Baptist Church in West Englewood, said he invited police without success to a back-to-school event. Last summer, two officers attended.

Dixon said the contact promises to help break down barriers and fears — on both sides.

"Let them see you, not with your gun out, not stopping them," Dixon said in his 59th Street office. "But see you as a friend."

The district has also aggressively been tearing down abandoned buildings, havens for criminal activity in addition to serving as safety hazards. According to city Building Department data, 84 buildings were demolished in the Englewood District in the first nine months of 2017, by far the most of all 22 districts. By comparison, Harrison ranked third with 42 buildings demolished through September.

"We're very much focused on working with landlords and building owners to bring the buildings up to code so we can have safe, positive locations for our residents to move into," Kenneth Johnson said. "If you have an abandoned building, and it's on the path of a school ... we're trying to reduce the likelihood of maybe someone luring a child into that building or ... set up a dope spot."

Trapped by drug dealers

Overall, homicides in Chicago dropped sharply through July 1, falling to 254 homicides, a 23 percent decline from 331 a year

"Crime ebbs and flows. There's going to be particular factors that we can't exactly quantify that are (causing) things to go up and down."

— Cmdr. Kenneth Johnson, Englewood District

earlier. But Harrison marked one of seven districts in which killings rose or stayed flat, though several of those were in low-crime North Side neighborhoods. The Austin District, which borders Harrison and was also equipped with a nerve center beginning last year, ranked second in the city with 27 homicides, the same as last year.

Two years after a viral cellphone video showed an officer stomping on a suspect's head in the 3900 block of West Grenshaw Street, Kevin Johnson pointed to some success by police in Harrison working with the community.

That block was already a notorious drug spot, a problem so severe that residents feared even going outside, said Johnson, who became the district's commander two months after the stomping incident.

"They were just trapped by the drug dealers," he said. "They had to put chained links on the wrought-iron fences to keep the drug dealers from sitting on their porches to sell drugs."

One woman who lives on the block but declined to give her name because of safety concerns told the Tribune that drug sellers worked shifts "morning, noon and night."

"The shooting over here was constant," she said. If gunfire rang out when her two grandchildren were at her home, "they'd hit the floor," she said.

Kevin Johnson said he implored concerned residents on Grenshaw to start a block club, a good way for residents to show their commitment against drug dealers on their street.

Johnson said the district also started to arrange for tree-cutting and more efficient garbage pickups on the block. The community came together with the aid of the police, and the criminal element got the message.

Crime on that block of Grenshaw has plunged over the first half of the year, according to Johnson and city data.

"They saw we were serious," he said. "We just weren't driving by and (saying) ... 'Get off the car.' We were stopping the cars. We were getting on foot. We're engaging the community. We're like, 'We're not leaving.'"

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Ex-shelter director slams 'warehousing' claims

Also says she's still waiting for official reason for firing

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The just-ousted director of Chicago's animal shelter is rejecting claims by Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration that she was warehousing dangerous dogs at the facility.

Susan Russell, whom Emanuel fired last week, said she was surprised by the claim that warehousing was an issue at the shelter. She said she has not been given an official reason for her firing, despite twice asking for one. "I'm not going to legitimize it," Russell said in a phone interview, noting that "warehousing" is not an animal sheltering term. "I'm not even quite sure what they mean by the term."

Russell was fired Friday, and Kelley Gandurski was named acting executive director for the Commission on Animal Care and Control. Gandurski will serve until a permanent executive director is named.

On Tuesday evening, several dozen people gathered to protest Russell's firing outside the Western Avenue office of Animal Care and Control. Most carried signs expressing anger over Russell's termination.

"Susan was one of those people who really cared," Haggerty said. "It was kind of a crush to us."

Gina Kimmey, a volunteer at the shelter, called Russell's firing "a huge mistake" and suggested Emanuel could pay for it at the polls in next year's mayoral election. "Shame on you for putting politics above animals' lives," she said. "February is coming."

While Russell said she hadn't been given an official reason, a City Hall source said that under her watch, the agency had become "a warehouse for dangerous dogs."

Dangerous dogs were be-



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Supporters gather Tuesday to protest last week's firing of Susan Russell as executive director of the Commission on Animal Care and Control in Chicago.

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— Adam Collins, spokesman for Mayor Rahm Emanuel

ing kept in overcrowded conditions at the facility, and they were being adopted by Chicago families, the source said. In addition to putting Animal Care and Control workers and Chicagoans at risk, that also raised the possibility of putting taxpayers on the hook if someone was bitten by a dog and sued the city, the source said.

And other shelters that have traditionally helped take some of the dogs to ease overcrowding at the agency's facility have been reluctant to do so recently because they were concerned they could get a dangerous dog, the source said.

Under city code, the criteria used to determine a "dangerous animal" include "any animal which bites,

inflicts injury on, kills or otherwise attacks a human being or domestic animal without provocation on any public or private property" or "any animal owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of dog or other animal fighting or any animal trained for dog or other animal fighting."

Russell said that if the shelter suspected a dog was dangerous, an investigation would be done to determine whether the dog should be designated as such.

In an earlier Facebook post, the former director pointed out that the facility is an open-admission shelter and takes whatever comes through its doors. Its policy is to help give homeless animals a second chance or to euthanize them only if they are "irre-

mediably suffering or exhibiting behaviors that would warrant euthanasia," she said in the post.

She also said that while she was director, "there has never been more than one animal per kennel unless there were bonded pairs or mothers and their young."

While the shelter could reduce capacity rapidly by killing healthy animals, it "was not the path most people wanted to take," Russell said. Instead, the shelter would reach out to the public and its partners to get animals adopted or transferred out if it reached capacity.

"I think it's time our City has an earnest conversation about our goals for helping people and their pets, as well as the homeless animals that daily must be cared for by compassionate staff and volunteers at our City shelter. To sustain progress, we must have sustained attention on the issues," Russell wrote.

The Emanuel administration says the kennel has been above its capacity of 260 animals since at least February. The Tribune reported in January that there were 300, which Russell said then was "a big problem."

In 2017, the city euthanized 689 dogs for health, behavioral or other reasons — excluding owner requests — far fewer than the 1,876 the prior year.

Emanuel on Monday spoke only generally about the reasons behind Russell's

firing. "I do want to thank Susan for her service, there were some issues involved," he said while talking to reporters after a summer jobs announcement.

"These are not just pets, they become important family members," Emanuel added. "But it's also important, though, to have an Animal Care and Control that's run appropriately, humanely, and done in a way that meets all of our standards, not just professionally, but things that are personal."

Mayoral spokesman Adam Collins said officials had talked to Russell about the problems.

"We all care deeply about the treatment of animals and have a common goal of promoting adoption and rescues," Collins said in a statement. "But serious concerns arose about operations at the shelter, particularly when it came to dogs, posing a health and safety risk for agency staff, volunteers and residents looking for a new family pet. Our office raised these concerns a number of times with Susan for months, and when they were not fully addressed we made a change."

Stacey Coleman, executive director of the New York-based Animal Farm Foundation, a national nonprofit that advocates for improving shelter practices, said her organization has had relations with the Chicago shelter for about a decade. Coleman said the city's shelter practices had been considered behind the times but saw improvements under Russell's tenure.

She said the notion of "warehousing" dangerous dogs "indicates to me that it comes from somebody who has an issue with saving lives." She said it's common for big-city shelters to keep more dogs than the maximum capacity, but overcapacity stems from an issue with the city's practices, not the shelter itself.

"If the city of Chicago has an issue with how many dogs are in the shelter, they need to take a look in the mirror," she said. "To blame the shelter for having too many dogs is ridiculous."

Her foundation planned to revisit the shelter to pick out dogs for its programs after a pleasant visit in May but canceled the visit after

Russell was fired.

"This was a political move, not a personal move. This was not a move for the animals," Coleman said. "We don't want to get mixed up with that."

Tawny Hammond, Midwest regional director with the nonprofit Best Friends Animal Society, said Russell tried to save the animals that could be saved. Hammond, who has known Russell for about five years, said Russell worked to improve the shelter with the budget she had.

"I think some people might believe that if a pet isn't adopted right away ... they should end their life," she said. "Susan didn't believe in expiration dates. She didn't believe in ending a pet's life because they had been there for two weeks."

Under Russell's care, the shelter was improving, Hammond said, noting drops in euthanasia and strengthening of the shelter's partnerships.

"The entire animal welfare community is bewildered," Hammond said about when word got out that Russell was fired. "Chicago was getting well-known for its improvements. ... We were like, 'Go, Chicago, go!'"

Best Friends also completed an assessment of the shelter's facility in April, which Russell requested. There was no evidence of animal warehousing found at that time, Hammond said. The notes on things that needed improvement were to build up the adoption program, continue to build rescue relationships and create a resource center.

Despite Russell's dismissal, Hammond said Best Friends still plans to work with the new acting executive director because the ultimate goal is to help the animals.

Russell said she will take some time to determine her next steps but hopes to continue volunteering at the shelter.

"We need more members of the public to focus on rescuing and adoption," she said. "My general message is: Support that shelter, Chicago."

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Hemp treats can help calm pets

Fireworks, from Page 1

Tribune, the American Veterinary Medical Association discouraged the use of CBD products on pets.

"While marijuana products are being marketed to treat certain diseases and other health conditions in animals, the FDA has not approved the use of marijuana in any form in animals. In addition, the safety and effectiveness of these products with respect to their therapeutic claims has not been demonstrated. For these reasons, the AVMA cautions pet owners against the use of such products," said Michael San Filippo, spokesman for the Schaumburg-based association.

Still, pet supply shops can't keep the products on the shelves.

At Happy Dog Barkery in Downers Grove, owner Beth Staley said she had to create a waiting list for customers interested in the CBD products the store began carrying at the beginning of the year.

The store's recent supply sold out over the weekend, leaving Staley scrambling to get more inventory from her distributor before the holiday.

She expected a steady stream of CBD customers leading up to Wednesday, when the shop will be closed.

"It has been like hotcakes," said Staley, who said customers also have bought the products for pets spooked by thunder. "In the last four to six weeks, especially with all the storms coming in, it has really taken off."

The popularity of CBD products for dogs mirrors a growth in CBD products for humans, an industry that has flourished in the nearly three years since medical marijuana was legalized in



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The American Veterinary Medical Association discourages the use of CBD products for pets.

Illinois. From massage oils to dog biscuits, a variety of products that purport to soothe ailments from insomnia to inflammation are available for sale in Illinois with little regulation.

While some critics are skeptical of the products, Tracy Werner, training manager for Bentley Pet Stuff, a pet supply chain that started in Arlington Heights, said both she and her customers have seen CBD products help pooches to relax and to seem less in pain.

"I've seen it in my dogs; I've seen it in my customers' dogs," Werner said. "Dog people like to tell other people what works."

Research on CBD is still in its early stages, but some studies have shown that the all-natural products work by binding to receptors in a dog's head and body, creating desirable outcomes, including: lowering anxiety, controlling seizure disorders, decreasing allergies and alleviating pain, Marks said. Studies are less conclusive about its effects on cats, she added.

"If you have a dog that is mildly aware of fireworks, that might stop what they're doing to look to see what the sound is, or potentially be a little more clingy, something like CBD oils, or chews ... is probably a good

start," Marks said. She added that while she has not seen any negative consequences of using CBD on an animal, she warns clients that it may not be enough to handle the fears of some severely phobic dogs.

For dogs that experience unwanted urinating, defecating, panting and hiding during July Fourth fireworks, a stronger treatment of prescription anti-anxiety medication may be needed.

It's important to know the difference, Marks said, because dogs that experience habitual anxiety, fear and stress can act out in ways that destroy the bond with an owner.

Anxiety in dogs also has been shown to cause long-term physical problems, including escalated blood pressure, elevated blood sugar or a suppressed immune system, she said.

The stress-free life is what Staley, the Happy Dog Barkery owner, wanted for her dog, Kale Chips. She began caring for the beagle in 2015, after he was surrendered to Chicago Animal Care and Control after being more than 20 pounds overweight. The beagle trimmed his physique and returned to an active lifestyle — except during thunderstorms, which used to make him pace, pant and drool, Staley said.

Staley, who said she felt comfortable offering Kale Chips CBD oil because of the research she had done before carrying the product at her store, said she was amazed at the way her dog fell asleep in the middle of a storm after she placed a few drops of oil in his mouth.

"I asked my husband, 'Is this a fluke, or is this crazy?'" Staley said. "It worked amazingly well."

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AMERICA'S PARTY ICON

Solo, from Page 1

clean design. You are holding a cultural artifact created by a man so tightly wound and formal that, for Christmas, his own children once gave him a pair of jeans as a joke.

You are holding 16 ounces of history, good and bad.

Let's start with the cup itself.

Owned for generations by the Hulsemans of Winnetka, Solo began in the 1930s in the South Shore neighborhood of Chicago, moved to Highland Park, then Lake Forest. Today, the company still keeps offices in Lincolnshire, but the nearest to Chicago you will find production of its red plastic party cup is that Urbana factory, which opened in 1973. I visited this plant recently. It's long and boxy and dated. Could be a manufacturing facility, could be a high school. It's across the street from a Champaign County jail. The manager is a guy named Mike Oakley, who started here in 1983 and has all the levity of Tommy Lee Jones. He's also the kind of person you want to stand beside if something goes wrong.

Before we step on the floor, he instructs me to wear earplugs, safety goggles, steel-toed shoes, a hairnet and a beardnet (though I am sporting nothing more than a heavy stubble). He asks that I do not insert any extremities into any of the churning, chugging machinery, that I wash my hands before entering the factory floor and stick close to him at all times. He explains that, in the event of a disaster and an urgent need to evacuate, he will lead me to a shelter.

You do make plastic cups here, I said.

Yes, he said. "You're going to see a forming atmosphere. We take raw materials, blend them into building material. Once it's mixed it's conveyed into a hopper, then an extruder, which takes plastic, heats it and pushes it into sheets that goes through rolls that bring it to a certain thickness. Then it is heated again and goes through a forming station, then the cup is formed, then it goes through a trim press, then conveyed to a roller, which will tuck the lip of the cup under — so that should give you some idea of what you will see."

"Should I expect disaster?" I asked.

"No," he said.

We were not allowed to bring cameras or photograph any of the equipment or the process that creates the iconic cup, but I can describe it, and in short: It was not a party.

But first, history.

Since it was created in the early '70s, the red Solo plastic cup has become synonymous with good times, backyard picnics, frat-house keggers, tailgating. The red cup, says Louise Harpman, New York architect and design expert (whose "Coffee Lids," a new book with architect Scott Specht, is the history of another Solo-related innovation), became a deeply American tradition, "the opposite of wimpy, a firm handshake that always feels right when you grab it." Conversely, a Disney screenwriter working on a teen movie once told the Los Angeles Times that the cup is so associated with youthful transgression, "a red-Solo-cup conversation" is filmmaker code for uneasy implications.

Nothing shocking there.

And yet, according to Dart itself, mysteries remain. Such as, well: When exactly was the red Solo cup invented and why? You know, minor stuff. "When we bought (Solo) in 2012, we were really frustrated at how little company history and artifacts they had retained," said Margo Burrage, communications director for Michigan-based Dart.

Most likely, the cup was part of a natural evolution, created without any clear innovation.

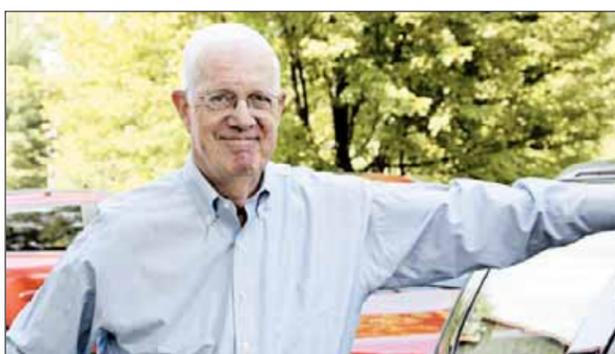
Though to get there, I need to explain a few things about beverage receptacles. The first were likely natural — hollowed-out ostrich eggs, coconut shells, etc. The problem with this, according to the 1911 Encyclopedia Britannica's entry for drinking vessels, is anyone could afford a coconut. So to distinguish a rich man's cup from a poor man's, cups of the wealthy and ruling classes needed to be "made with great labor." Hence, golden chalices, carved rhino horns and glass tankards. The trouble with that — a historical and relative lack of cheap, ready-to-use cups for everyone else.

Said Russell Flinchum, a design historian at North Carolina State University: "You find concerns among Brits about drinking from the contaminated Thames in the 19th century, but in this country, if you're looking for water in public, it's a bucket of water and a ladle, and should you drink from the same ladle as a sick person ..." Paradoxically, the public became more aware of how germs were



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Bears fan Armando Flores plays beer pong before a game against the Packers in Green Bay, Wis. Though the Solo red plastic cup is synonymous with beer pong, the company prefers to stay separate from party culture.



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Robert Hulseman, who helped invent the red Solo cup in the early 1970s, wanted to create a sturdy, disposable cup.

spread about the time temperance advocates were suggesting public troughs of water as an alternative to a stiff whiskey.

"Basically, conditions were perfect for disposable cups," Flinchum said. "At the same time, the commodification of drinking water — I'd say that starts right about here."

By 1911, a Tribune campaign against communal "death cups," as the paper called them, led to a state ban on "common drinking cups" in civic spaces. But Illinois was not alone. For years, the Individual Drinking Cup Company of New York — later renamed Dixie — had been popularizing campaigns against common cups, circulating pamphlets that showed skull-shaped bugs chained to fountains. By the '30s, the image-savvy company was a household brand, sponsoring NBC radio serials (and later hiring Saul Bass, the legendary graphic designer known for his striking movie posters and credit sequences, to create its logo). In 1936, the Individual Drinking Cup Company came to Chicago (at the time a hub for foldable paper products) to merge with Vortex Cup, then a leading manufacturer of conical disposable cups.

That same year a Vortex sales-

was probably the light bulb moment.

"Some said it was too thick," Tom says, "but I have an image of my father in our backyard in Winnetka — he was into softball, though before he would join a game, I'd see him on our deck, squeezing plastic cups. He was obsessed."

In time, Solo's red cup — initially made with kitchens and housewives in mind, and likely a joint creation of Robert and Solo engineers Phil Ephraim and Jack Clements (whose "Solo Traveler" sip lid is part of the permanent collection at the Museum of Modern Art in New York) — became so familiar that, last winter at the International Home + Housewares Show in Chicago, a French company displayed pricey, satiric porcelain replicas of crumpled Solo cups. Vicki Matranga, design programs coordinator for the Rosemont-based International Housewares Association that puts on the show, said fancy tableware is moribund ("millennials don't care about impressing at home"), the trend is "carry-around cups." Yet Solo is different, sort of an evolutionary step between those trends, not quite a keeper, not quite disposable. "To me it screams immaturity,"

"I doubt he ever understood the significance of any of this. He never knew he created a ubiquitous thing that everyone knew."

— Paul Hulseman, son of red Solo cup inventor Robert Hulseman

man named Leo Hulseman — a South Dakota native whose success would later bankroll a side career as a prominent North Shore polo player — left the company to start his own cup business. This became Solo. (On the occasion of Solo's partnership with the Lucasfilm movie "Solo," writer Robert Loerzel reported recently for Chicago Magazine that Hulseman likely adopted the company name from a Czech immigrant who invented a *solo-use* cup-maker that would also provide Hulseman with his early footing. Loerzel is also a copy editor for the Tribune.)

By the 1950s, Solo was developing cups with wax-coated walls that kept drinks cold at drive-ins and theaters; by the '60s, the company was a leader in disposable cups, best known for its cone-shaped cups and Cozy Cup disposable inserts for coffee. But in the early '70s — the Hulseman family is uncertain of the exact date — Leo's son, Robert Hulseman, who had started working at Solo at 18 years old, flew to Germany to observe a plastic-extruding process that "co-extruded" multiple layers of plastic at once. "Likely Dad was searching for a product to distinguish Solo from Dixie," said Robert's son Paul. Another of Robert's sons, Tom, said his father detested thin cups: An ability to print the inside layer white and the outside red was distinguishing, but the sturdiness of a simple cup constructed of layers of plastic (today, it's four)

To Tim Parsons, chairman of the designed objects program at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, it screams sleek, precise, recognizable but "hard to consider from an ethical-design perspective — how many get recycled?"

But to Robert Hulseman, in the early 1970s, one of the primary questions on his mind was: What color?

One night he brought home more than a dozen colors of the prototype party cup. "I have nine siblings," Tom remembers, "which gave my father a ready focus group. I recall once eating eggs off a plate, and the eggs were red because the color leached — we'd play quality control too." His father asked what color they liked best for the cups. They selected peach, yellow, blue and red. Red became the big seller. Robert Hulseman always tended to prefer blue.

The factory floor in Urbana is disorientingly loud. It goes *thump, thump, thump*, and *psst, psst, psst*, and *thrum, thrum, thrum*, and *pzzt-CHA, pzzt-CHA, pzzt-CHA*. There are robots pushing boxes of cups, and workers at giant dial-laden computers that look borrowed from "The China Syndrome." It is a hurricane of harsh UHF-like static and grinding sighs. And it smells like a llama on fire.

"What is that?" I asked Oakley. "Warm plastic?"

"I don't smell anything," he

said.

Course not. He's been there 35 years. He's used to it. The plant runs 24 hours a day, five days a week. About 200 employees work here, making travel lids and several styles of cup, including the red cup. Solo, now a brand within Dart, only has a few factories left in Illinois, including in Chicago and North Aurora; only a couple of plants in the United States produce the red cup.

We start at the "blending department," essentially large vats that hold mounds of polystyrene pellets — it resembles a bucket of coffee beans. The air here is sweet and artificial. The beans get vacuumed upward into another machine that melts it out, into four layers: red, white, a regrid of colors and a gloss coat. These layers go beneath rollers in an oven. As they leave one large oven, they enter a larger oven containing a plug — the plug pushes into the sheets, molding cups in a steady heartbeat of piston *thumps*. This machine resembles a stack of metal cubes. Think Willy Wonka without the charm, or the sort of contraption that a kid imagines pouring in several disparate objects — a lamp, a duck, a pizza, a tire — and out plops a red Solo cup.

Actually, for a decade or so, partly on the success of the red cup, what plopped out of Solo was a show business vanity project, starring a Chicago singer named Dora Hall. You never heard of her. That's because her real name was Dorothy Hulseman; she was wife of Leo, founder of Solo. Before they met, she performed in vaudeville; after she was diagnosed with breast cancer in the late '50s, Leo set up Reinbeau Records in Chicago, partly to develop her music. "I think it was to help keep her alive — to give her something to do," Paul said. Already in her 60s, Dora recorded 45s of contemporary hits — "These Boots Were Made for Walking," "Satisfaction" — and Leo distributed them inside thin sleeves at the base of Solo packaging.

That's not all.

Leo had started a small TV studio in the production hub of Culver City, Calif., used by shows such as "Candid Camera." From 1971 to 1974, Leo and Dora made four syndicated variety specials here, all starring Dora. Leo gave them to stations in exchange for commercial time, and Dora got a platform — complete with canned laughter and B-list guests. The first special, "Once Upon a Tour," found Dora on a bus (driven by NFL star Rosey Grier) to Hollywood, where she visits backlots and dreams of stardom; her dreams are the musical numbers, though it's unclear why she would dream of performing alongside Frank Sinatra Jr. and Rich Little.

The specials, which reportedly cost as much as \$400,000, were met with confusion: As one review began, "Who is Dora Hall? She's a lady of middle years and modest talent."

The irony is, Solo, keeper of an iconic cultural artifact, would never again have as clean a link to pop culture. To this day, said Kim Healy, Solo vice president of consumer products marketing and innovation, the company does not actively place red cups in movies and TV shows; actually, depending on the connotation and setting, it is more likely to turn down requests to use its red cups. That means — sorry frat flicks and tween shows — red party cups are too associated now with binge drinking and debauchery for comfort. (Indeed, many college drinking policy programs use the image of a red cup in cautionary materials, noting a 16- or 18-ounce cup holds more beer than you assume.)

That means, despite its product

becoming a must for drinking games like beer pong, on college campuses and Jimmy Fallon's "Tonight Show" alike, Solo turns down frequent offers to package its cups with Ping-Pong balls and booklets of game rules. It's an awkward position to more or less reject the culture that has partly created a cultural ubiquity. In 2011, Solo says the writers of the novelty song "Red Solo Cup" — later a hit for country singer Toby Keith — approached the company about purchasing rights to the lyrics.

A sample:

*You are my Abbot to my Costello
And you are the fruit to my loom
Red Solo Cup you are more than
just plastic*

That was a hard pass. Solo had no idea anymore how to produce a song. "Plus, it was not on brand," Healy said. And yet again, for many customers of the cup, a party anthem couldn't be more in character. It's the cost of ubiquity: Baby leaves the nest, you lose control. Healy remembers attending a focus group, her first day on the job in 1998: "There are 10 red cups on the table, and my manager is sitting next to me and I ask: 'Which is ours?' And she sincerely didn't know." They inspired too many imitators.

So, in the early 2000s, Solo hired Metaphase, a St. Louis design company that specializes in hand-held ergonomic products. They arranged parties in private homes where they could study how red Solo cups were used; the first was in Deerfield. They observed placement of fingers on cups, how people wrote their names in Sharpie on the sides, how they overcompensated for sweaty cups with napkins. The goal, said Bryce Rutter, owner of Metaphase, was "rethinking a classic that also retained the DNA of the original" while allowing just enough changes to provide Solo more intellectual property rights — to differentiate its red cups from decades of copycats established since the 1970s. Which is why the standard red Solo cup is no longer as sleek and simple as the iconic original, but rather, squared at the bottom with long finger holds on its sides.

And it's why the "Solo" name is now on the side of cups.

For generations, Solo was a family business, a relatively insular culture. Its name sat *under* its cups. Everyone knew they were holding a Solo cup, right? "Sometimes," Rutter said, "the most obvious thing is only obvious from outside."

At the end of the production line in Urbana, red cups spill out in an unbroken sheet, so long it sags down then tugs up into the next machine; it resembles an uncoordinated caterpillar, heaving forward. Cups are cut out of the sheet then enter a lip roller — imagine parallel coffee cans, spiraling fast, just barely touching — that curls the white edge of each cup in and under. After that stage, there's counting, bagging, sorting and a quality check.

There was more nuance, of course.

Robert Hulseman, who replaced his father as president in 1980, liked nuance. "He'd summon you to the (factory) floor so you knew exactly how a cup was made," Healy said. He was remembered as a tall, intimidating establishment figure — you didn't dare drink from anything but Solo cups when he was around. Others said he lacked perspective. After Solo acquired Sweetheart Cup in 2004 — partly through investors and loans, only to report losses even as the family drew sizable salaries — an equity partner stepped in. Soon, Solo was no longer family-owned. (An unnamed executive told Forbes at the time, once public debt is involved, "it's not a personal cookie jar anymore.") Said Paul Hulseman: "My dad truly thought of himself as a failure to his family."

The creator of the red party cup spent his last years as he always had — attending prayer groups in Winnetka, writing spiritually minded poetry and studying angels. Dart bought Solo in 2012, and Robert died a few years later at 84. He never knew beer pong, Paul said. "In fact, I doubt he ever understood the significance of any of this. He never knew he created a ubiquitous thing that everyone knew — which sounds nuts — but my father, he just did not pay attention."

His son Tom once sat their father down to show him the "Red Solo Cup" music video. "Dad watched the whole thing then he said to me, 'OK, how much did he spend on that?' And I said, 'Dad, we didn't spend anything,' and he said, 'Well, why would anyone write a song about a cup?' I laughed and said, 'Dad — you created an American icon!'"

Anyway, that's what's inside a red plastic party cup.

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WASHINGTON — The Senate intelligence committee on Tuesday backed up conclusions from U.S. intelligence agencies that Moscow interfered in the 2016 election with the aim of helping President Donald Trump win, releasing an unclassified report that called the intelligence assessment solid.

"The Committee has spent the last 16 months reviewing the sources, tradecraft and analytic work underpinning the Intelligence Community Assessment and sees no reason to dispute the conclusions," said a statement from Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., the panel's chairman.

The committee's statement is not a surprise — Burr and the panel's Democratic vice chairman, Sen. Mark Warner of Virginia have both made previous statements supporting the intelligence community's assessment. But the strong endorsement nonetheless marks a significant milestone in the continued debate over Russia's role in the 2016 campaign.

The report puts the panel at odds with Republicans on the House intelligence committee, who issued their own report this year, and the president, who has continued to denigrate the intelligence agencies' assessment. Just last week, he did so once again, on Twitter.

"Russia continues to say they had nothing to do with



Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman Richard Burr, R-N.C., left, and Vice Chairman Mark Warner, D-Va., released a report that called the intelligence agencies' assessment solid. The report does not address the issue of collusion.

Meddling in our Election!" Trump tweeted, then questioned whether law enforcement had adequately investigated the issue. "So many questions, so much corruption!"

The Senate committee's bipartisan conclusion comes at a potentially awkward time for Trump, who is scheduled to meet Russian President Vladimir Putin on July 16 in Helsinki, Finland.

The report not only backs up intelligence officials' assessment that Russia acted deliberately to help Trump, but also that Putin personally ordered the efforts to meddle in the U.S. campaign. Putin last week met

with Trump's national security adviser, John Bolton, and told him that there had been no interference "by the Russian state," Bolton said in a Fox News interview over the weekend.

The Senate committee, however, said the scope of Russian interference has only become clearer in the years since the campaign.

"Further details have come to light that bolster the assessment," the report said.

The Senate report diverges from an earlier one released in March by House intelligence committee Republicans, who said officials were mistaken to conclude that Moscow wanted

Trump to win. The House Republicans' report also emphasized the lack of public evidence that Trump's allies conspired with Russians, something that remains under investigation by special counsel Robert Mueller.

The new Senate committee report does not address the issue of collusion. It did say, however, that intelligence agencies were on solid ground by saying Moscow developed a "clear preference" for Trump over his opponent, Hillary Clinton.

Officials relied on "public Russian leadership commentary, Russian state media reports, public examples

of where Russian interests would have aligned with candidates' policy statements, and a body of intelligence reporting," the Senate report said.

In addition, the report said there were no signs that President Barack Obama's administration improperly tried to interfere with intelligence agencies' analysis.

"The Committee heard consistently that analysts were under no politically motivated pressure to reach any conclusions," the report said.

The Senate panel's assessment is not all glowing: The committee found the agencies' assessment of

Russia's propaganda operation was outdated, relying on data from 2012 — something the Senate panel called a "shortcoming."

But the panel stressed that intelligence analysts were under "no politically motivated pressure to reach any conclusions" and that their conclusions had been prescient as well as accurate, noting that "the Committee's investigation has exposed a far more extensive Russian effort to manipulate social media outlets to sow discord and to interfere in the 2016 election and American society" than the officials who drafted the assessment realized at the time they were writing it.

The report is another example of how the Senate intelligence committee has diverged from its House counterpart.

The House intelligence committee has been split along partisan lines, releasing Republican and Democratic versions of various reports. Democrats rejected its March report on Russia's activities.

The House panel's chairman, Rep. Devin Nunes, R-Calif., has also proven to be much more willing to jump to Trump's defense, dedicating significant time to examining how the Justice Department has handled the Russian probe.

Meanwhile, the Senate committee has maintained bipartisan cooperation and expressed little interest in Nunes' theories about allegations of investigator misconduct.

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ANALYSIS

Trump outsourced picking court appointments

Enlisting help has made it smoothest part of presidency

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump failed repeatedly to get Congress to pass a new health care law. He came up empty on immigration and gun bills after giving lawmakers conflicting messages. His budgets were ignored on Capitol Hill. And after 17 months in office, he has yet to even write his long-promised measure to repair the nation's infrastructure.

Yet when it comes to stocking the nation's federal courts, Trump has performed with remarkable efficiency and success. He got the Senate to confirm conservative judge Neil Gorsuch for the Supreme Court soon after taking office and since has been remaking the lower courts far more quickly than his predecessors.

His secret: outsourcing. Unlike in other areas in which Trump insists on calling the shots, the president has deferred to a trio of more experienced hands when it comes to the judicial nominations so impor-

tant to his conservative base.

"This is a zone where Trump is willing to say, 'I got a guy here who knows what he's doing,'" said Newt Gingrich, the former House speaker and informal Trump adviser.

Gingrich was talking about Donald McGahn, the White House counsel who has held a tight grip on the interview process. Yet Gingrich and others give singular credit to Leonard Leo, the executive vice president of the Federalist Society, a national network of conservative lawyers; Leo, starting at Trump's request during the 2016 campaign, worked along with the Heritage Foundation to create the unprecedented list of Supreme Court candidates that Trump has used to select Gorsuch and his soon-to-be-announced pick.

The third player is Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who for nearly a year blocked President Barack Obama's final Supreme Court pick, Merrick Garland, leaving the vacancy for Trump to fill with Gorsuch. Since then McConnell has engineered smooth confirmations in the narrowly Republican-controlled Senate for Gor-



Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is one three men President Trump trusted with developing a list of court nominees, including Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch, right.

such and dozens of lower-court nominees, almost all of whom have been vetted by Leo. McConnell calls his role in the judiciary's makeover his proudest legacy.

Lesser known than the other two men, Leo has spent decades working toward a judiciary that shares his anti-abortion rights views and conservative positions on interpreting the Constitution narrowly. As he did during

the Gorsuch confirmation process, Leo has taken a leave from the Federalist Society to advise Trump. This week he created a war room to spearhead the selection and confirmation process.

The list Leo began preparing during the campaign now includes 25 people, all but one of them judges with long records on the issues conservatives most care about. Candidate Trump re-

leased it to assure conservative voters who were wary of him, thrice-married and former Democrat who had an inconsistent record on abortion, gun control and other litmus-test issues.

Trump has said that Monday he will name a replacement for Justice Anthony Kennedy, who announced last week he would soon retire. Among the potential nominees is Sen. Mike Lee, a Republican

from Utah who spoke by phone with Trump on Monday, according to a White House statement released Tuesday.

White House spokesman Raj Shah said Trump on Tuesday spoke to three other candidates, whom Shah did not name. The president interviewed four appeals court judges at the White House on Monday, according to several reports: Amy Coney Barrett of the Seventh Circuit; Brett Kavanaugh of the D.C. Circuit; and Raymond Kethledge and Amul Thapar of the Sixth Circuit.

Douglas W. Kmiec, who vetted judicial nominees in the Reagan administration, said Ronald Reagan would never have allowed the Federalist Society to vet his nominees, thinking it "a betrayal of the presidential process."

"As a political gambit, it's unassailable," Kmiec said of Trump's list, noting that it helped Trump gain political backing from evangelical voters and other conservative skeptics during the campaign.

But what's objectionable, he said, is "just the precedent of a president giving up this authority en masse."

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Congressman denies knowing of alleged sex abuse at Ohio State

Ex-wrestlers: Jordan, now a key GOP rep., failed to act, lied

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WASHINGTON — Rep. Jim Jordan, an influential House conservative, denied claims Tuesday that he knew about alleged sexual abuse of wrestlers at Ohio State University three decades ago and failed to act.

Jordan, R-Ohio, responded after two former Ohio

State wrestlers told NBC News that he must have known about abuse allegations against Richard Strauss, a former doctor in Ohio State's athletics department. Jordan served as assistant wrestling coach at the university from 1987 to 1995.

"Congressman Jordan never saw any abuse, never heard about any abuse, and never had any abuse re-

ported to him during his time as a coach at Ohio State," Ian Fury, a spokesman for Jordan, said in a statement. "He has not been contacted by investigators about the matter but will assist them in any way they ask, because if what is alleged is true, the

victims deserve a full investigation and justice." The allegations come at a critical time for Jordan,

whom conservative outside groups have endorsed as a possible replacement for Speaker Paul Ryan, who is not running for re-election.

Jordan, who served in the Ohio Legislature, was elected to the House in 2006 and is a senior member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee.

Jordan has denied that he knew about allegations of abuse by Strauss, who joined Ohio State's clinical faculty in 1978 and served as a team physician in the

athletics department from 1981 to 1995 before retiring in 1998. Strauss is alleged to have abused male athletes participating in 14 sports, as well as patients at the student health center, where he was a part-time physician between 1994 and 1996. He died in 2005.

Former wrestlers have said the team doctor showered with students and inappropriately touched them during appointments. In a video shared with NBC, former wrestling coach Russ Hellickson said he

confronted Strauss and told school officials.

Former Ohio State wrestler Mike DiSabato told NBC News that Jordan is a "liar" for saying he did not know about the alleged abuse.

Another former wrestler, Duniyasha Yetts, told NBC that he and other students reported Strauss' alleged behavior to Jordan. "They went in and talked to Strauss. ... So it's sad for me to hear that he's denying knowing about Strauss," Yetts said.



Jordan

What did British spy Steele really know?

A few Trump-Russia dossier questions are finding answers

BY JEFF DONN
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No one has painted a more vivid portrait of a purported alliance between Donald Trump's presidential campaign and Russia than a former British spy named Christopher Steele.

Steele's once-confidential campaign memos were published just before Trump's inauguration, unleashing tales of cavorting prostitutes and conniving campaign aides on secret sorties with agents of the Kremlin.

Ever since, the credibility of these Democratic-funded memos — the so-called Steele dossier — has remained the subject of both official investigation and political sniping.

In the 18 months since the dossier's release, government inquiries, criminal cases and authoritative news reports have begun to resolve at least some of the questions surrounding the memos.

As a whole, the Steele dossier now appears to be a murky mixture of genuine revelations and repurposed history, likely interspersed with snippets of fiction or disinformation, an Associated Press review finds.

At the vortex of all the arguments is Steele, often described as a buttoned-down, earnest defender of Western interests, who spied on Russia for the British government and later founded a business intelligence firm built on his network of confidential informants.

Steele's 17 memos laid out an extraordinarily detailed narrative of how the



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Russian government supposedly collaborated with the Trump campaign in an elaborate operation to tilt the 2016 presidential race in his favor.

Some of the dossier's broad threads have been independently corroborated.

U.S. intelligence agencies and the special counsel's investigation into Russian election interference did eventually find that Kremlin-linked operatives ran an elaborate operation to promote Trump and hurt his Democratic opponent, Hillary Clinton, as the dossier says in its main narrative.

The dossier first told of a clandestine partnership between the Trump campaign and Russian officials in a memo dated June 2016, the month before the FBI began investigating that very possibility.

Steele laid out details of a secret Moscow meeting between the Russians and Trump adviser Carter Page months before FBI suspicions about Page and news reports about just such a meeting forced him to leave the campaign.

The dossier's portrait of a cooperative campaign also has been bolstered by developments it did not spe-

cifically foretell: Legal cases and authoritative reporting have exposed Trump's son Donald Jr. and another aide as receptive to Russian overtures to supply dirt on Clinton.

However, the dossier makes other sensational, unverified claims.

It reports that Trump provided intelligence to the Kremlin on wealthy Russians in the U.S. The Russian government, in return, was said to supply Trump with secrets about his political rivals while collecting compromising information on him, including recording him with prostitutes who

supposedly urinated on a bed in a Moscow hotel.

It remains unclear if the Trump campaign secretly acquired Russian information and, if so, whether Trump was aware and involved.

For his part, Trump has dismissed the memos as "fake news" and parlayed "no collusion" into the Twitter tagline of his presidency.

Russian President Vladimir Putin has denied his government meddled in the election.

In libel lawsuits, four wealthy Russians take more specific exception to the dossier.

The Russians sued Steele and BuzzFeed, the online news outlet that published the memos in January 2017.

Three of the men — all owners of the Moscow-based financial-industrial conglomerate called Alfa Group — also have sued Fusion GPS, the research company that enlisted Steele under a contract with a law firm connected to the Democrats.

Russian tech entrepreneur Aleksey Gubarev and the Alfa Group owners — Mikhail Fridman, Petr Aven and German Khan — all say they had nothing to do with the events described in the dossier.

Gubarev and the Alfa Group owners are named in two separate Steele memos, both of which are seemingly out of alignment with the rest of the dossier, as their lawyers have said in court filings.

Their questionable relevance raises the possibility that they were motivated by someone with a different agenda who perhaps fed false information to the former spy.

In the Alfa Group memo, the billionaire owners were

said to perform unspecified political favors for Putin.

And the Gubarev memo said his business "had been using botnets and porn traffic to transmit viruses, plant bugs, steal data" in an operation against Democratic Party leaders.

Any actions ascribed to the four Russians have never been independently confirmed by official investigations or authoritative news reports.

Unlike the other memos, Steele's Alfa Group write-up concentrates on internal Russian affairs, with no direct connection to the U.S. election.

"Mr. Fridman, Mr. Aven and Mr. Khan have absolutely nothing to do, in any way, with the issue that is the theme of the dossier — alleged collusion between Russia and the Trump campaign," the trio's lawyer, Alan Lewis, said in an interview.

Oddly, the memo about Gubarev is dated five weeks after the election.

"Why the heck did he even bother to continue writing this stuff?" said Gubarev's lawyer, Valentin Gurvits.

Representatives of both Steele and Fusion GPS executive Glenn Simpson declined to comment.

BuzzFeed's legal arguments don't rely primarily on the truth of the memos. Instead, they cast the dossier as something that was under review by multiple layers of government and thus subject to news coverage as an official document, whether true or not.

BuzzFeed News spokesman Matt Mittenenthal said "the fact that these allegations were being taken seriously at the highest levels of government was in itself a real story here."

Allies defend spending amid Trump criticism

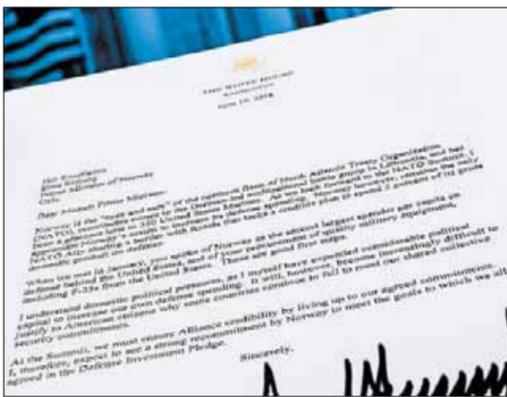
NATO members say their budgets follow agreement

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BRUSSELS — NATO allies are pushing back against U.S. criticism that they are not spending enough on defense, as President Donald Trump ratchets up pressure ahead of a summit next week.

In the last few weeks before NATO's July 11-12 summit in Brussels, Trump sent letters to Norway, other European allies and Canada demanding that they boost defense spending.

After Russia annexed Ukraine's Crimean Peninsula in 2014, NATO allies agreed that year to end defense budget cuts, start spending more as their economies grew and move toward a goal of 2 percent of GDP for defense spend-



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President Donald Trump sent a letter to Norway, seen here, and others demanding they boost defense spending.

ing within a decade.

In an email Tuesday to The Associated Press, Norwegian Defense Minister Frank Bakke-Jensen said "Norway stands by its decision of the NATO Summit in 2014 and is following up on this."

Norway has spent "far beyond" NATO's target on new military equipment, he

added. German Defense Minister Ursula von der Leyen said Tuesday that "we stand by the 2 percent goal we've set." She added that "we're on the path there. And we're prepared to take substantial responsibility within the alliance."

When faced with the suggestion that such Ger-

man explanations for not spending 2 percent of GDP yet might not make an impression on Trump, she retorted: "We don't want to impress anyone."

The upcoming NATO summit is the first major meeting since the fractious Group of Seven talks in Canada last month. NATO officials are concerned that trans-Atlantic divisions over trade tariffs and the U.S. pullout from the Paris global climate agreement and the Iran nuclear deal could undermine alliance unity.

In the letter to Norwegian Prime Minister Erna Solberg, dated June 19, Trump wrote that despite her country's important role in the alliance Norway "remains the only NATO ally sharing a border with Russia that lacks a credible plan to spend 2 percent of its gross domestic product on defense."

The stance was repeated in a similar letter to Belgium, where Trump said it

will "become increasingly difficult to justify to American citizens why some countries continue to fail to meet our shared collective security commitments."

Trump dressed down his NATO counterparts last year, publicly berating them for not spending enough and claiming they owe the U.S. money. When he first came to office he even suggested that the U.S. — by far NATO's most powerful ally — might not protect countries that don't pull their weight.

Belgian Prime Minister Charles Michel played down the importance of the letter he received, saying it was "typical" of things sent ahead of meetings.

"We participate in many military operations with our NATO allies and it is this government that decided to end the systematic reduction of defense spending," he said.

Canadian Defense Minister Harjit Sajjan's chief of communications said the

government has committed to increasing funding by more than 70 percent over the next decade.

"This plan has been rigorously costed, is fully funded, and serves Canada's defense needs. It also upholds our long-standing role as an active contributor to global peace and security," said Director of Communications Renee Filiatrault.

Despite the political rhetoric from the Trump administration, the 2 percent figure does not concern spending on NATO, and no one owes the alliance or any ally money. It is about the size of national defense budgets only. Other factors that nations take into consideration when looking at burden-sharing are the amount of money spent on new military equipment and contributions to NATO operations.

Others argue the 2 percent pledge is only a guideline.

Despite Trump, immigrants less reviled

Survey: Americans more sympathetic to foreigners

BY DAVID LAUTER
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WASHINGTON — The share of Americans who would like to see fewer immigrants in the country has continued to decline despite President Donald Trump's push to restrict both legal and illegal migration, a new poll shows.

Large majorities also reject Trump's claims that immigrants commit more crimes and take jobs away from American workers, according to the survey released last week by the nonpartisan Pew Research Center. The survey was taken before hundreds of thousands of marchers gathered Saturday across America, moved by accounts of children separated from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border.

And, despite a series of highly publicized incidents in recent months in which people speaking languages other than English have come under verbal attack,

the share of Americans who say they are "bothered" by immigrants speaking other languages has gone down.

About three-quarters of Americans say they at least sometimes encounter immigrants who speak little or no English. The share reporting such encounters has more than doubled since the 1990s as immigrant populations have spread throughout the country. But the share of Americans who say they are bothered by such encounters has dropped from nearly 40 percent a decade ago to about 25 percent today, the poll showed.

The survey provides the latest evidence that the bloc of voters who support further immigration restrictions remain a distinct minority in the U.S., albeit one with disproportionate clout given their sway within the Trump administration.

Trump began his presidential campaign denouncing illegal immigration, but quickly began to back restrictions on legal immigration as well. He has pushed Congress to accept sharp new restrictions on legal immigration, so far to no

avail.

As recently as 2001, a majority of Americans said that they would like to see lower levels of legal immigration. But support for tighter immigration restrictions has steadily declined. Currently only about one-quarter of Americans take that position.

By contrast, support for higher levels of immigration has gone from about one-tenth of Americans in the early 2000s to about one-third today, the poll showed. About four in 10 support keeping current levels.

The biggest shift has taken place among Democrats, whose support for greater levels of legal immigration has shot up in the past three years, probably at least partly in reaction to Trump's assaults on immigrants. About 40 percent of Democrats and independents who lean toward the Democrats said they favor increased immigration, and a similar share favor keeping current levels. Liberal Democrats and those younger than 50 show especially strong support for higher immigration levels,

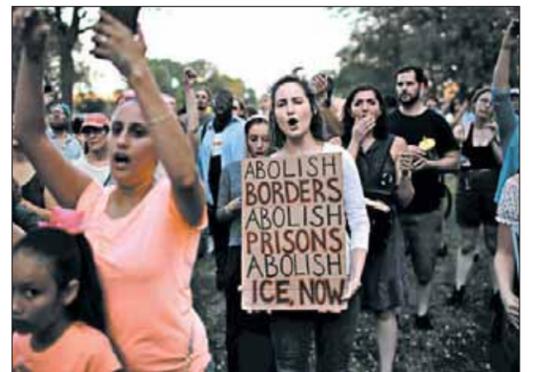
the poll showed.

Even among Trump's fellow Republicans, however, the restrictionist camp has lost ground. Support for cutting legal immigration has declined about 10 percentage points among Republicans and independents who lean toward the GOP over the past decade. Currently, about one in three on the Republican side support cutting legal immigration; about one in five support higher legal immigration levels and about four in 10 think the current levels are about right.

Among Republicans, the restrictionist position gets its strongest support among people older than 50 and those without a college degree — both core constituencies for Trump.

As Americans have shifted toward favoring higher levels of legal immigration, they also have grown less likely to favor punitive action against those who entered illegally.

About two-thirds of Americans reject the idea that granting legal status to some immigrants who entered illegally is a "reward



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Demonstrators march and call for the elimination of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency.

for doing something wrong." The share who see legal status as a reward for wrongdoing has dropped in the past two years, especially among Democrats.

Trump repeatedly has linked immigrants to crime. Most Americans disagree with that view, although Republicans divide closely.

Asked if they believed immigrants who came to the U.S. illegally were more likely than U.S. citizens to commit serious crimes, about two-thirds of Americans said no. Democrats and independents who lean Democratic overwhelmingly rejected that view.

Republicans were closely divided, with conservative Republicans agreeing by 47 percent to 40 percent and moderates disagreeing by 57 percent to 33 percent.

Nearly seven in 10 American said they feel sympathetic toward people who entered the country illegally. A majority of those who identify themselves as conservative Republicans, however, say they feel unsympathetic. Republicans overall divide equally.

The Pew survey was conducted by telephone, June 5-12 among 2,002 American adults. The margin of error is 2.6 percentage points.

U.S. voids Obama-era admission guidelines

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with a justice who may be more skeptical of admissions programs that take race and ethnicity into account.

The new policy would depart from the stance taken by the Obama administration, which in a 2011 policy said courts had recognized schools' "compelling interest" in diverse populations. The guidance said that while race should not be the primary factor in an admission decision, schools could lawfully consider it in the interest of achieving diversity.

"Institutions are not required to implement race-neutral approaches if, in their judgment, the approaches would be unworkable," the guidance said. "In some cases, race-neutral approaches will be unworkable because they will be ineffective to achieve the diversity the institution seeks."

That guidance has now been rescinded, as have more than a half-dozen other similar documents, including some that sought to explain Supreme Court rulings affirming the use of race as one of several factors in the admissions process.

The Obama approach replaced Bush-era policy from a decade earlier that discouraged affirmative ac-



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Harvard University said it will continue considering race as an admissions factor to create a "diverse campus community."

tion and instead encouraged the use of race-neutral alternatives, like percentage plans and economic diversity programs.

The Trump administration's announcement Tuesday is more in line with Bush administration policy, and though the guidance does not have the force of law, schools could use it to help defend themselves against lawsuits over their admission policies.

The Justice Department had already signaled its concern about the use of race in admissions decisions. The department had sided with Asian-American plaintiffs suing Harvard University who argue that the school unlawfully limits how many of Asian students are admitted.

Students for Fair Admissions, the group suing Harvard, is led by Ed Blum, a legal strategist who also

helped white student Abigail Fisher sue the University of Texas for alleged discrimination in a case that went to the Supreme Court.

Harvard, meanwhile, said it would continue considering race as an admissions factor to create a "diverse campus community where students from all walks of life have the opportunity to learn with and from each other."

Civil liberties groups de-

cried the U.S. move, saying it went against decades of court rulings that permit colleges and universities to take race into account.

The Association of Public and Land-grant Universities said it was "very disappointed."

Lily Eskelsen Garcia, president of the National Education Association, said "affirmative action has proven to be one of the most effective ways to create div-

erse and inclusive classrooms."

The Supreme Court has been generally accepting of considering race in admissions decisions to achieve diversity. In 2016, the court, in an opinion written by Kennedy, handed affirmative action policies a victory by permitting race to be among the factors considered in the college admission process.

The ruling disappointed conservatives who thought Kennedy would be part of a Supreme Court majority to outlaw affirmative action in education. Justice Antonin Scalia died after the court heard arguments in the case but before the decision was handed down.

The affirmative action guidance could add to a contentious fight over the next justice. With Trump expected to announce his nominee next week, the issue should be a central part of any confirmation process, said Howard University law school dean Danielle Holley-Walker.

"People have been talking about precedent in regard to *Roe v. Wade*" — the landmark 1973 ruling affirming a woman's right to abortion — "but it's important to remember that affirmative action has been a precedent for the past 40 years," she said. "This is a clear attack on precedent."



HUGH CAREY/SUMMIT DAILY NEWS

Hotshot firefighters return from battling a lightning-caused fire Monday near Fairplay, Colo., one of six large wildfires in the state. Sixty blazes were burning across the West.

Colorado wildfire levels 104 homes, officials say

BY COLLEEN SLEVIN
Associated Press

DENVER — More than 100 homes in the Colorado mountains were destroyed by a growing wildfire, while hundreds of others across the parched West remained under evacuations Tuesday and the closure of recreation areas derailed holiday plans.

Authorities announced late Monday that a fire near Fort Garland, about 205 miles southwest of Denver, had destroyed 104 homes in a mountain housing development started by multimillionaire publisher Malcolm Forbes in the 1970s. The damage toll could rise because the burn area is still being surveyed.

The fire, called the Spring Fire, was one of six large wildfires burning in Colorado and the largest at 123 square miles. While investigators believe it was started by a spark from a fire pit, other fires, like one that began burning near Fairplay, were started by lightning.

Nearly 60 large blazes were burning across the

West, including nine in New Mexico and six each in California and Utah, according to the National Interagency Fire Center.

In Utah, authorities have evacuated 200 to 300 homes because of a growing wildfire near a fishing reservoir southeast of Salt Lake City amid hot temperatures and high winds. Several structures have been lost since the fire started Sunday, but it's unclear how many, said Jason Curry of the Utah Division of Forest, Fire and State Lands.

Darren Lewis and his extended family planned to spend the Fourth of July at a cabin built nearly 50 years ago by his father and uncle in a wilderness area that is nestled between canyons and sits near a mountain river.

Instead, Lewis and his family will spend the holiday nervously waiting to hear if a half-century of family memories go up in smoke because of the fire, which has grown to 47 square miles.

"There's a lot of history and memories that go into

this cabin," said Lewis, 44, of Magna, Utah. "The cabin we could rebuild, but the trees that we love would be gone. We're just hoping that the wind blows the other way."

Meanwhile, a wind-fueled wildfire in Northern California that continues to send a thick layer of smoke and ash as far as south of San Francisco was threatening more than 900 buildings.

The massive blaze was choking skies with ash and smoke, prompting some officials to cancel Fourth of July fireworks shows and urge people to stay indoors to protect themselves from the unhealthy air.

At least 2,500 people have been told to evacuate as the sprawling blaze continues to spread, said Anthony Brown, a spokesman with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Brown said the blaze that started Saturday and was surging through rugged terrain northwest of Sacramento had grown to 109 square miles. It was 5 percent contained.

Rain a factor in cave rescue

12 boys, coach may have to dive out of cavern, official says

BY TASSANEE VEJONGSA
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MAE SAI, Thailand — Heavy rains forecast for northern Thailand could worsen flooding in a cave where 12 boys and their soccer coach are waiting to be extracted by rescuers, possibly forcing authorities to have them swim out through a narrow, underwater passage in the cavern, a top official said Tuesday.

The 13, who disappeared when flooding trapped them in the cave they were exploring June 23 after a soccer game, were found by rescue divers late Monday night in the cavern in northern Chiang Rai province during a desperate search. The effort drew international help and has riveted Thailand.

The boys, aged 11-16, and their 25-year-old coach were described as healthy and being looked after by seven members of the Thai navy SEALs, including medics, who were staying with them inside the cave. They were mostly in stable condition and have received high-protein drinks.

While efforts to pump out floodwaters are continuing, it's clear that some areas of the sprawling cavern cannot be drained, said Interior Minister Anupong Paojinda, a member of Thailand's ruling military junta. In order to get them out ahead of the bad weather forecast for later in the week, they might need to use diving gear while being guided by profes-



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A U.S. rescue-team member and a Thai naval expert go over operations Tuesday at the cave in Thailand.

sional divers, he said.

Anupong said the boys would be brought out via the same complicated route through which their rescuers entered.

"Diving is not easy. For people who have never done it, it will be difficult, unlike diving in a swimming pool, because the cave's features have small channels," he said. "If something happens midway, it could be life-threatening."

Video released by the Thai navy showed the boys in their soccer uniforms sitting in a dry area inside the Tham Luang Nang Non cave above the water as a light held by a rescuer was shone on their faces.

Cave rescue experts have said it could be safer to simply supply them where they are for now, rather than trying to have the boys dive out. That could take months, however, given that Thailand's rainy season typically lasts through October.

SEAL commander Rear Adm. Arpakorn Yookongkaew said there was no rush to bring them out, since they're safe where they are.

A doctor and a nurse were with them in the cave. "We have given the boys food, starting from easily digested and high-powered food with enough minerals," Arpakorn told a news conference.

Having them dive out of the cave was one of several options being considered, "but if we are using this plan, we have to be certain that it will work and have to

have a drill to make sure that it's 100 percent safe," he said.

Relatives keeping vigil at the mouth of the cave since the ordeal began rejoiced at the news that their boys and their coach had been found.

"I want to give him a hug. I miss him very much," said Tham Chanthawong, an aunt of the coach. "In these 10 days, how many million seconds have there been? I've missed him every second."

Rick Stanton and John Volanthen, two expert cave divers from Britain, found the group about 300-400 yards past a section of the cave on higher ground that was believed to be where they might have taken shelter.

In the 5-minute navy video, the boys were seen wearing their soccer uniforms and were calm and polite.

After an initial exchange in which a rescuer determined that all 13 were present, one of the boys asked what day it was, and a rescuer replied: "Monday, Monday. You have been here — 10 days."

One boy told another in Thai, "Tell them we are hungry."

"We haven't eaten," a boy said in Thai, then in English: "We have to eat, eat, eat!"

A rescuer assured them that "navy SEALs will come tomorrow, with food and doctors and everything."

At the end of the video, a boy asked, "Where do you come from?" The diver replied, "England, U.K."

Fatty and sweet foods hijack part of brain that controls consumption

BY MELISSA HEALY
Los Angeles Times

It may have taken thousands of generations of hunting, gathering, farming and cooking to get here. But in the end, the genius of humankind has combined fats and carbohydrates to produce such crowning culinary glories as the doughnut, fettuccine Alfredo, nachos and chocolate cake with buttercream frosting.

It goes without saying that these delectables do not exist in nature. It turns out combinations of carbohy-

drates and fats generally do not exist in the landscape in which man evolved.

Neither, new research finds, does the human capacity to intuit the caloric content of such gustatory delights. Instead, the human brain, when confronted with foods that combine fat and carbohydrates, responds with a surge of motivation that outstrips the response to foods high in fat only or in carbohydrates only.

The authors of the new study just published in the journal *Cell Metabolism* went about showing this by

collecting 56 lean study participants with an average age of 25. A few hours after feeding these subjects a breakfast designed to leave them somewhat hungry, researchers gave their recruits a small monetary allowance, showed them 39 pictures of different foods that would be familiar, and asked the subjects to place bids on those they'd most like to eat. If they outbid the computer, they'd be allowed to use their allowance to buy and eat that item.

The subjects were also asked to judge how calorific

each food item they saw was, and to say how much they liked the pictured food. All of the portions pictured contained the same number of calories. But one-third of the pictures were of items high in carbohydrates, including jelly beans, white bread and spaghetti, one-third were foods high in fat, such as plump wedges of cheese and slices of salami, and one-third were foods that combined fat and carbs, such as buttery crackers, chocolate candies, and pastry.

Finally, the subjects looked at the pictures while

having their brains scanned to see which region became most active as they pondered different foods.

The researchers found that no matter how much subjects said they liked items that were fatty or carby, they were willing to pay most for items that combined fat and carbs. And their brain activity while looking at the pictures told the same story: They might score their liking of salami or jelly beans just as high as for cake or crackers. But the items that prompted the reward circuits of their

brains to come most alive were the carb and fat combinations.

When asked to rate the items' calorie content, subjects were a good judge of the fatty items' value. But they fared more poorly judging the calories in carbohydrate-rich snacks, and in snacks that combined fat and carbs.

"Fat and carbohydrate interact to potentiate reward," write the authors of a study published in the journal *Cell Metabolism*.

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NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

Thousands in Poland protest government judicial overhaul

WARSAW, Poland — Anti-government protests broke out late Tuesday in Warsaw and several other Polish cities in defense of the country's constitution, judicial independence and the rule of law.

The protests came as a lower retirement age was taking effect for Poland's Supreme Court justices. The law introduced by the ruling right-wing party is forcing the chief justice and as many as one-third of the court's sitting

judges to step down.

Thousands of people gathered in front of the Supreme Court building in Warsaw, where they held candles, sang the national anthem and shouted "Free courts!" and "Down with dictatorship!"

There were also protests in Krakow, Lodz, Katowice, Wroclaw and other cities. The legislation lowers the mandatory retirement age for justices from 70 to 65.

Judge rules suit challenging census question can proceed

A federal judge Tuesday allowed a multistate lawsuit to move forward amid "strong" evidence that the Trump administration acted in bad faith in its push for a controversial citizenship question to be added to the 2020 Census, plaintiffs in the case said.

Judge Jesse Furman of Manhattan's Southern District also granted a request for discovery, according to New York Attorney General Barbara

Underwood, whose office filed the case on behalf of 18 states and the District of Columbia.

The judge gave the defendants, which include the Department of Commerce, Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross and the Census Bureau, until July 23 to add documents from the Commerce and Justice departments, detail the documents they refuse to produce and give a basis for the refusal.

Israel: Hamas tried to spy on soldiers with fake dating apps

TEL AVIV, Israel — The Israeli military said Tuesday it had uncovered a plot by Hamas militants to spy on soldiers by befriending them on social media and then luring them into downloading fake dating applications that gave Hamas access to their smartphones.

A senior intelligence officer said Hamas initially reached out to the soldiers through Facebook, often posing as young women,

and then moved the relationship over to the WhatsApp texting service. Following dozens of reports from soldiers receiving unusual messages, the military launched operation Broken Heart.

The military said it had uncovered three Hamas-operated apps on Google Play that had been downloaded about 100 times by soldiers since the beginning of the year but that no damage was done.



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Heavy rains in Pakistan caused a road to collapse Tuesday in the city of Lahore, where torrential monsoon storms were also blamed for the deaths of six people. The downpour was called one of the heaviest in recent decades and triggered extensive flooding.

Ex-Congress staffer, target of conspiracy talk, makes plea deal

WASHINGTON — Federal prosecutors concluded an 18-month investigation into a former congressional technology staffer on Tuesday by publicly debunking allegations — promoted by conservative media and President Donald Trump — suggesting he was a Pakistani operative who stole government secrets with cover from House Democrats.

As part of an agreement with prosecutors, Imran Awan pleaded guilty to a relatively minor offense unrelated to his work on Capitol Hill: making a false statement on a bank loan

application. U.S. prosecutors said they would not recommend jail time.

But the agreement included an unusual passage that described the scope of the investigation and cleared Awan of a litany of conspiracy theories promulgated on Internet blogs, picked up by right-leaning news sites, and fanned by Trump on Twitter.

"The Government has uncovered no evidence that your client violated federal law with respect to the House computer systems," including stealing equipment or illegally accessing or transferring informa-

tion, including sensitive or classified information, prosecutors wrote in an 11-page plea agreement dated and signed Tuesday.

Awan and four of his associates worked as IT specialists for dozens of Democratic lawmakers until they were banned from the computer network in February 2017 for allegedly violating House security rules.

The case highlighted Trump's willingness to lobby for specific outcomes of federal criminal investigations and to suggest a coverup by his own Justice Department.

FAA won't regulate amount of airline legroom

Federal regulators have rejected the idea of setting minimum standards for airline seats and legroom as a safety measure.

The Federal Aviation Administration said Tuesday that it saw no immediate safety issue that requires new regulations. It cited seven recent acci-

dents in which passengers were able to evacuate.

The FAA was responding to a group called FlyersRights, which had gone to court to prod the agency to act.

FlyersRights said cramped planes combined with the larger size of today's passengers means

that planes can't be evacuated in 90 seconds, as required.

A couple of decades ago, the distance between one seatback and the seatback in the next row measured about 35 inches in economy class. Today on some planes it is as tight as 28 inches.

Men plead no contest for deadly fire in warehouse

OAKLAND, Calif. — As grieving relatives of victims watched and sobbed, two men pleaded no contest Tuesday to 36 counts of involuntary manslaughter in a devastating fire at a dilapidated California warehouse that occurred during an unpermitted concert.

Under the terms of a plea agreement, Derick Almerna could be sentenced to nine years in prison and Max Harris could receive a six-year term when sentenced at a later date.

They have been in jail for a year.

Authorities say the 48-year-old Almerna rented the warehouse and illegally converted it into an entertainment venue and residences that became known as the "Ghost Ship" before the December 2016 blaze. The 28-year-old Harris helped Almerna collect rent and schedule concerts.

Najib Razak, a former Malaysian prime minister, was arrested Tuesday by anti-graft investigators, officials said.

A government task force probing alleged theft and money laundering of a state investment fund said Najib's arrest was linked to the suspicious transfer of \$10.6 million into his bank account.

The Syrian government on Tuesday called on refugees to return, saying it has successfully cleared large areas of "terrorists."

The rare appeal reflects the government's growing confidence after more than seven years of war. Syrian forces, with crucial support from Russia and Iran, recently retook large areas near Damascus.

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EDITORIALS

War in space: ‘Seldom has a great nation been so vulnerable’

Many Americans gaze at the sky and see only a vast uncharted frontier for exploration. But President Donald Trump reminds Americans that there's another potential reality in space: It could become a military battlefield, a place where this nation's independence is protected or lost.

The point isn't to repel an alien invasion from deep space. We're not worried about Klingons. But Americans do have reason to be concerned about technologically advancing adversaries here on Earth. China and Russia have ambitious satellite programs.

Such satellites can be used for improving telecommunications, internet coverage, weather forecasting. Or they may be weaponized to shoot down rival satellites, disrupt a nation's land-bound electrical grid, and stake a claim to space (and hence ground) superiority.

A war in space could be swift and devastating. “We could be deaf, dumb and blind within seconds,” says Rep. Jim Cooper, a Tennessee Democrat. “Seldom

has a great nation been so vulnerable.”

Trump's solution: Create a “Space Force” to defend this nation's security against adversaries that could gain military superiority on the ground via military dominance overhead, in space.

Trump recently ordered Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Joseph Dunford to take on the mission. “Our destiny beyond the Earth is not only a matter of national identity, but a matter of national security,” Trump said.

No argument there. Trump didn't offer details, but Congress decides whether and how a sixth branch of the military could be carved out and what its aim would be. The administration's first mission: selling the idea to skeptical lawmakers.

Last year, Congress grounded a plan to create a new “Space Corps” as part of the U.S. Air Force. Many lawmakers and defense officials opposed the move, arguing that it would create an unnecessary layer of bureaucracy and boost friction among branches of the military. Translation: Existing military budgets might be pinched to

make way for a new space service. Congress ordered a study instead, due by year's end.

Trump's Space Force may never fly. But he's right to remind Americans that this nation's adversaries pose a threat to national security. It's a fitting recognition for the holiday when we celebrate liberation from another country's domineering rule. No going back.

The space race isn't just about war, but about resources. In 2007, Russia, the nation of Sputnik and illegal territorial expansion, planted a flag 3 miles beneath the North Pole to stake a claim to the polar region's vast oil and gas deposits. We imagine Russian President Vladimir Putin would love to shove the U.S. flag aside on the moon — or beat the U.S. to colonizing Mars — and proclaim them the bounty of his rapacious expansionism.

All of this brings to mind the long-running debate over a former president's fears of spacebound warfare — President Ronald Reagan's oft-maligned Strategic Defense

Initiative, aka Star Wars.

In 1993, this page pointed out that SDI had already outlived the threat for which it was intended — the Soviet Union. President George H.W. Bush scaled it back and declared its purpose was to guard against a handful of missiles launched by a Third World dictator or renegade unit of the now-defunct Soviet Union. We saw the appeal then, given the omnipresent threat of nuclear proliferation.

If anything, the case for a defensive posture in space has strengthened. Nuclear proliferation, particularly to terror groups, is a greater threat today than 25 years ago. So is the possibility that some U.S. rival will learn how to paralyze — from space — this nation's digital and other electrical systems.

Space is supposed to be the new, limitless frontier for peaceful endeavors. But a geopolitical tussle on Earth could easily morph into an arms race in orbit. Whatever you call it, the U.S. needs a smart, robust defense — and offense — in space.

A Great Lakes rescue: Restoring wolves on Isle Royale

By the 1940s, gray wolves were almost extinct in the United States, victims of a systematic effort to eradicate them. But late in that decade, those living around Lake Superior found a haven. When an ice bridge formed, they went exploring and ended up on Isle Royale, a large island (and national park) a dozen miles offshore. Finding all the moose they could eat, the wolves stayed and flourished.

Eventually, about 50 wolves roamed the island. But today, they are on the verge of vanishing from their wilderness home. Inbreeding, a canine virus and less frequent ice bridges caused their numbers to shrink, and only two are believed to remain.

The number of moose on Isle Royale, as a result, has soared, raising worries that they will strip the island clean of the vegetation they eat — and eventually fall victim to starvation.

The elimination of wolves would be bad for the island, which has been blessed by their presence for some 70 years and needs them to keep moose from becoming too numerous.

The vanishing of the wolves would also be a great loss for the thousands of hikers, backpackers, sightseers and anglers who make the journey to this jewel of a park each year. There is nothing like the howling of wolves to remind visitors that they are not in Busse Woods or the Morton Arboretum.

During the frigid winter of 2013-14, an ice bridge formed to the mainland, raising hopes that packs in Minnesota or Ontario would find their way out. But the migration never occurred. And, the National Park Service now concludes, “Natural recovery of the population is unlikely.”



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A gray wolf in Isle Royale National Park in Michigan. The National Park Service is introducing new wolves to the dwindling population.

But the wolves won't be disappearing after all. The park service has decided to introduce new wolves, to be trapped in Minnesota, Michigan and Ontario. It plans to provide sufficient numbers (up to 30) and genetic diversity to ensure the lasting survival and welfare of the species on the island.

It's a bold, ambitious strategy — and a debatable one. “This project is an immense manipulation in a designated wilderness that is supposed to be free of

manipulation,” said Kevin Proescholdt, conservation director of Wilderness Watch. He also believes the island is too small and isolated to support a permanent, self-sustaining wolf population.

Both points are reasonable. But it was people who upset the balance of predator and prey on Isle Royale — bringing the dog virus, warming the climate — and sometimes it takes human intervention to repair the damage from human intervention. Without a reliable wolf population, Isle Royale's predicament would only worsen

as voracious moose further ravage the forest and damage wetlands.

As for whether a new colony of wolves could make it on the island, we won't know unless we put this plan into practice. And whatever the outcome, scientists and conservationists will learn a lot from the experiment.

It would be unfortunate if the reintroduction doesn't succeed in ensuring that wolves will be a part of Isle Royale for decades to come. But it would be even worse not to try.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The Plight of the Humble Bee:

The world's bees are in decline, driving up the price of pollination so high it has spurred a black market of bee rustlers dealing in stolen hives. ...

People badly need bees. Biologists chalk up every third bite of food in the human diet to bee pollination, and in terms of the most popular and nutritious food crops, the ratio is even higher; bees visit more than 75 percent of them. ...

Experts believe that multiple factors must be at play in the bees' plight. The main suspects are referred to as the four P's: parasites, poor nutrition, pathogens and pesticides. ... (T)he overarching problem boils down to bee health. When bees are weakened by any one of the four P's, they become more susceptible to the others. And when enough individuals get sick, the whole colony fails.

The beepocalypse does have a silver lining. Never before have scientists known so much about the threats to bees — not just honeybees, but all the world's 20,000 varieties.

Remedies for bee decline can be as simple as planting flowers and reducing pesticide use, but the results are often transformational. With the right mix of flowers and nesting habitat, nearly any patch of ground can be turned into a bee garden and provide everything small bees need to forage, nest and reproduce over the course of a season. For larger, farther-ranging bee species, such gardens are important flower and nectar resources, like pit-stops scattered across the landscape.

Thor Hanson, The Wall Street Journal

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PERSPECTIVE

'Abolish ICE' — a slogan that benefits Trump



CLARENCE PAGE

Is #AbolishICE a movement or just a slogan?

Is it a path to the White House for aspiring Democratic presidential hopefuls?

Or is it just the latest way for battle-ready Democrats to snatch defeat out of the jaws of victory?

That's the question facing Democratic candidates and presidential hopefuls as the hashtag #AbolishICE pops up increasingly online, in political rallies and in other political conversations as some sort of battle cry.

The slogan made national news when somebody reportedly shouted it in the background as White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders was asked to leave a Virginia restaurant, whose owner and workers didn't like the administration's "zero-tolerance" immigration policy that had separated more than 2,000 children from their parents.

The slogan gained steam online and in the news after the stunning surprise victory June 26 by an insurgent primary candidate in New York, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

The former bartender and Bernie Sanders campaign worker made abolishing the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency one of three top issues on her platform, along with "Medicare for all" and free higher education.

Suddenly the ICE issue became a political litmus test for aspiring presidential hopefuls on the left. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., became the first senator — and possible presidential hopeful — to call for the agency's elimination last week.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., in a Facebook post and in a speech at a protest in Boston, called for rebuilding our immigration system and "replacing ICE with something that reflects our values."

Legislation that would get rid of the federal agency has been introduced by Rep. Mark Pocan, D-Wis., and has the support of



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Protesters rally in support of immigrants being held at the Metropolitan Detention Center in Los Angeles last month.

several Democratic colleagues in the House, including Earl Blumenauer of Oregon, Pramila Jayapal of Washington, Jim McGovern and Michael Capuano of Massachusetts and Raul Grijalva of Arizona.

Another possible presidential contender, Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., stopped short of calling for abolition of ICE, yet said that the agency needs to be re-examined and "we need to probably think about starting from scratch."

All of which brings great glee to conservative talk show hosts and top Republicans, including President Donald Trump. The call to eliminate ICE, which was created in 2003 in the wake of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, plays right into Trump's false claims that Democrats are soft on crime and want "open borders."

"When we have an 'infestation'

of MS-13 GANGS in certain parts of our country, who do we send to get them out? ICE!," Trump tweeted Tuesday morning. "They are tougher and smarter than these rough criminal (elements) that bad immigration laws allow into our country. Dems do not appreciate the great job they do!"

That's Trump, taking every possible opportunity to hype up his demagogic appeal by exaggerating the size and threat of the MS-13 gang, as well as the criminality of immigrants in general. Although most Americans may never have heard of ICE until the recent "zero-tolerance" border eruptions, it's a powerful issue in heavily immigrant communities such as Ocasio-Cortez's district.

Yet, Sen. Tammy Duckworth, an Illinois Democrat, opposed the abolition of ICE on CNN Sunday because, "If you abolish ICE now, you still have the same

president with the same failed policies."

That makes sense. We should oppose the abolition of ICE, in my view, at least until we know what would replace it. If ICE needs reform, there are more alternatives than its abolition.

Yet, the Democrats — as divided these days by their moderate and extreme wings as the Republicans — are delighted by any issue or person who can bring back some of the unifying excitement generated by Barack Obama's rise a decade ago. Witness the exuberance generated by Ocasio-Cortez's unseating of Rep. Joe Crowley, a powerful Democratic leader who apparently lost touch with his district's voters.

That's OK. The people have spoken. But what works for a self-described "democratic socialist" in the Bronx is very different from what wins in, say, the

suburban Pennsylvania district of Marine Corps veteran Conor Lamb, the young centrist Democrat who won a district in March that voted for Trump in 2016.

Democrats will do well to remember the late House Speaker Tip O'Neill's motto: "All politics is local." The "Abolish ICE" slogan gives ammunition to the president unless Democrats also make their own case for border security that will work better.

Their motto, then, should not be "Abolish ICE" as much as it should be the figurative "Abolish Trump."

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You can't celebrate America without celebrating freedom of the press



ERIC ZORN

Republicans hold the mainstream media in particularly low esteem.

An Axios Survey Monkey poll released June 27 asked nearly 4,000 respondents, "How often do you think traditional major news sources report news they know to be fake, false or purposely misleading?"

Sixty-five percent of Republicans answered "a lot."

When Quinnipiac University pollsters asked in January whether most members of the news media are honest, 86 percent of Republicans said no.

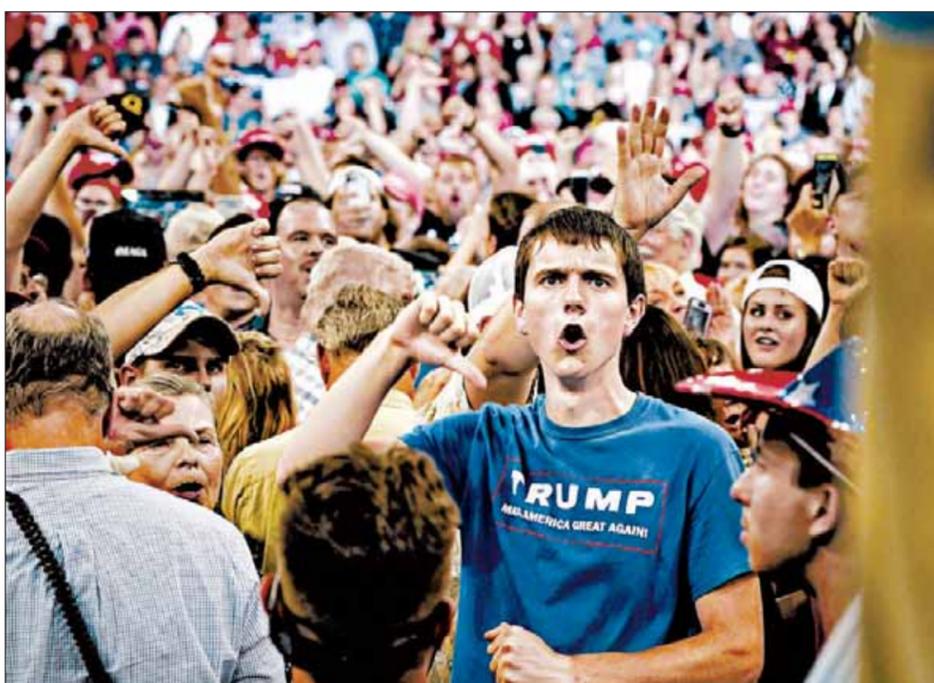
In a poll released June 20, Quinnipiac found 42 percent of self-identified supporters of the GOP agreeing with President Donald Trump's statement that "the news media is the enemy of the people."

An NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist poll also released in June found 42 percent of Republicans saying America has gone too far in expanding the freedom of the press, while a 60 Minutes/Vanity Fair poll in early 2017 found 36 percent of Republicans saying freedom of the press does more harm than good.

In 2017, the Pew Research Center found just 11 percent of Republicans consider national news organizations very trustworthy.

And also in 2017, when Quinnipiac asked, "Do you believe that it is ever appropriate for a politician to react to a member of the news media with violence?" 14 percent of Republican respondents said yes.

Just 2 percent of Democrats



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Supporters of the president respond after he calls on them to boo the media at a June rally in Duluth, Minn.

agreed.

Democrats have a more positive attitude, but they're not exactly cheerleaders for journalism. Twenty percent of Dems think major traditional media frequently publish fake stories; 29 percent think most journalists are dishonest; 6 percent think the media are the enemy of the people; 11 percent think freedom of the press has gone too far; and 13 percent say it does more harm than good. Only 34 percent say they think national news organizations are very trustworthy.

This ought to frighten you. Yes, major news organizations — your broadcast networks, your big newspapers and legacy magazines — do get things wrong from

time to time. They trust bum sources, misunderstand information, jump to incorrect conclusions, make false assumptions, fail to uncover important facts that would change their stories and so on.

I'd never say mainstream reporters never print or broadcast information they know to be false — I can't know what's in every writer's heart and several high-profile sinners come to mind — but lying is a career-threatening, reputation-shattering move at reputable news outlets, where mistakes are routinely retracted and fabulists demoted or fired.

Correspondingly, nearly all mainstream journalists are honest. They try to get the story

right, and they try to be fair (which in the case of opinion writers does not mean neutral). Anyone who's been in this business for two days knows that articles that are well-reported and fairly presented are by far the most powerful.

And no, it is never appropriate for a politician (or anyone) to respond to a journalist with violence.

Are we headed that way? Will Trump's declarations that the media are the enemy of the people, NRA spokeswoman Dana Loesch's description in a 2016 interview of journalists as "the rat bastards of the Earth" who deserved to be "curb stomped," and far-right provo-

cauteur Milo Yiannopoulos' recent squeal that he "can't wait for the vigilante squads to start gunning journalists down on sight" provoke more fatal attacks on journalists like the one we saw Thursday in Maryland?

I won't be surprised. The gunman who killed five employees of the Capital Gazette in Annapolis carried a seven-year, nonpartisan grudge against the paper (for having printed the truth about him) and may not have experienced even a nudge of encouragement from the increasingly poisonous anti-media rhetoric. That's a relief, but it's no assurance it won't happen. The connection between dehumanizing contempt for one's foes and violence is generally strong.

And that's a problem. Because the news media — a free press — are, for all their flaws, integral to democracy, which in turn is integral to the freedom that we so ostentatiously celebrate this week.

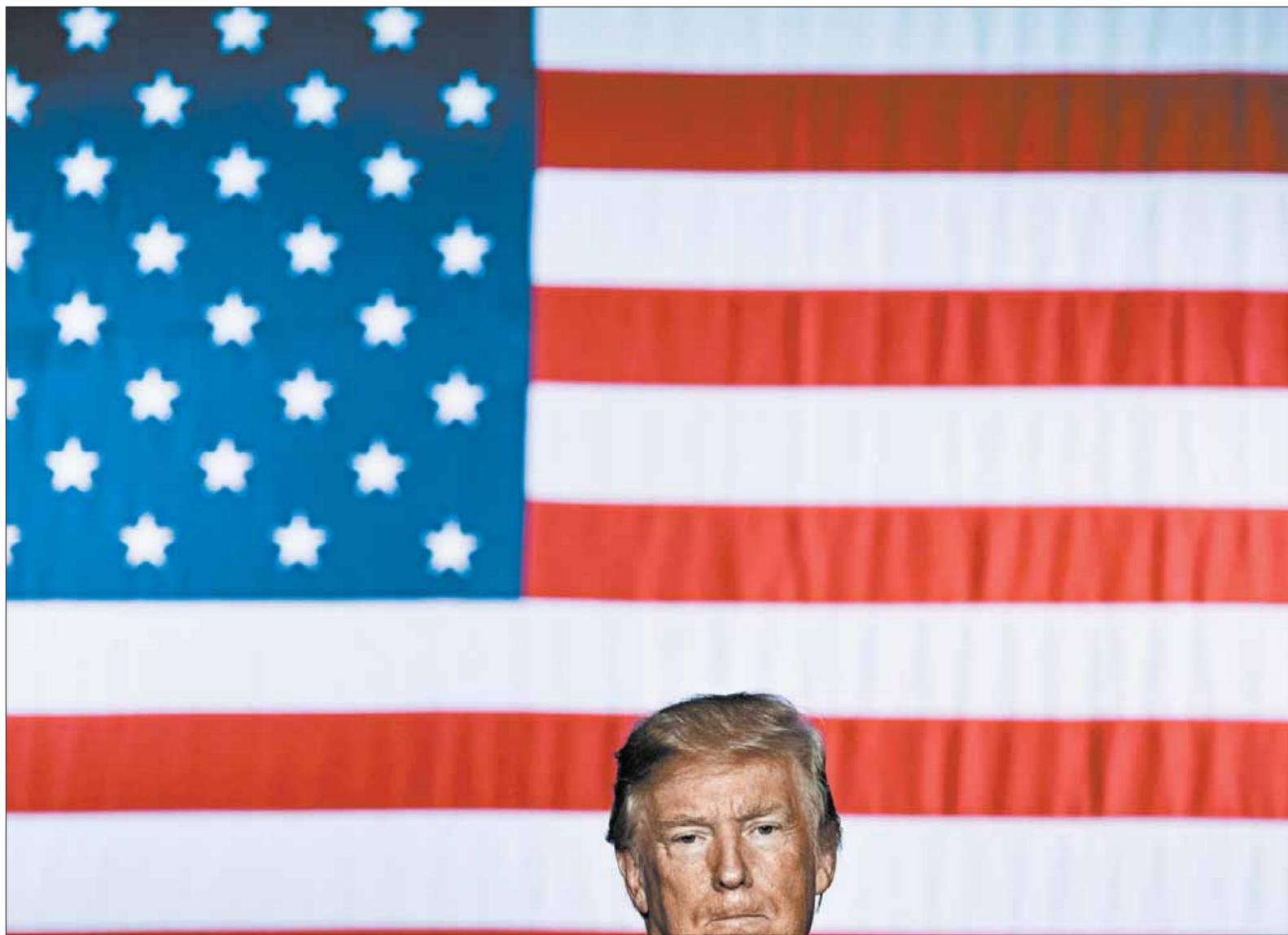
Our patriotic clichés are nonsense if they're not buttressed by a robust, independent free press that publishes without fear. History repeatedly shows that those who brand truth as lies fertilize fascism.

Ninety percent of Democrats said they agreed that the news media are an important part of democracy in that June Quinnipiac poll. But only 35 percent of Republicans agreed.

With Republicans in charge of both houses of Congress, the U.S. Supreme Court and the White House, I can only echo the sentiments of comedian Sam Grittner, who tweeted Thursday, "Celebrating the Fourth of July this year feels like throwing a birthday party for someone who's been kidnapped."

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PERSPECTIVE



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We cannot isolate ourselves from the rest of the world. Some of President Donald Trump's efforts to control globalization have already backfired, such as the Harley-Davidson situation.

Neo-isolationism won't work. Keep this in mind on July Fourth.

BY ROBERT SAMUELSON

WASHINGTON — On this July Fourth, America has taken a turn for the worst. The great delusion of Donald Trump's presidency is that we can thrive by embracing nationalism even though major economic and political events are increasingly driven by international forces. Trump is an isolationist in an era of globalism. It won't work.

Keep this in mind on the Fourth. Let us assume — for the sake of argument — that Trump is everything that he isn't: thoughtful, considerate, open-minded, kind, generous, civil, truthful and respectful of his adversaries. Let us further assume that this imaginary Trump is such a nice guy that his character is widely admired.

Still, a big problem would remain: his policies. It's inaccurate to say Trump doesn't have an agenda. In many ways, his agenda resonates with his campaign promises. "Make America Great Again" is a brilliant slogan that captures a nostalgic urge to resurrect an allegedly more glorious past.

The trouble is the actual past doesn't resemble Trump's rhetorical past, which is widely taken to be America in the late 1950s and early 1960s. The country was much poorer then. Since 1960, the average income (gross domestic product per person) has roughly tripled after adjusting for inflation. In 2017, that was \$59,484. Many staples of modern life didn't

exist or were in short supply. Jet travel began in 1958. Color television became widespread only in the 1960s. In 1955, only 2 percent of homes had air conditioning.

There were more important deficiencies: African-Americans throughout the South remained segregated by law and custom; the situation was better in the North, but blacks still faced discrimination. Similarly, most women remained at home; career jobs for them were only slowly expanding.

One accomplishment that did make America "great" then was its active international engagement, through military alliances and trade policies. These helped Europe and Japan rebuild after World War II and resist communist political pressures. This is precisely the sort of international cooperation — protecting our long-term interests despite some short-term costs — that qualifies as enlightened self-interest.

It is doubtful that most Americans, when confronted with the tangible conditions of early post-World War II life, would choose to hop on a time machine and re-establish themselves in this bygone era. Meanwhile, Trump is enthusiastically repudiating — or trying to repudiate — the American-led international cooperation that was a hallmark of the period.

The underlying lesson was that our power and influence are enhanced when they are exercised in conjunction with countries that, granting

differences and disagreements, share our basic values and interests.

We cannot isolate ourselves from the rest of the world. To the contrary, power is being drained from nation states to "market forces" or other global mechanisms that are difficult to control. This has been going on since at least the mid-19th century and reflects new communication and transportation technologies: the telegraph, the telephone, television, the internet, automobiles, planes and containerization.

Obviously, no one is going to uninvent these technologies. But the globalized world that those technologies have helped foster understandably makes many, possibly most, people uneasy and fearful, because there is a loss of sovereign control over our future.

Think of all the interconnections. Millions of migrants cross national borders annually (in 2017, 258 million people lived outside their country of birth, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development reports). Supply chains straddle the globe. Threats of worldwide epidemics are ever-present. Cyberattacks are already common. Billions of dollars of investment funds routinely shift from one country to another. Climate change cannot be dealt with unilaterally. The prospect of a major shooting war cannot be dismissed.

To this anxious litany Trump brings a reassuring antidote: more nationalism. It's a false remedy. Some

of Trump's efforts to control globalization have already backfired. To wit: Harley-Davidson's decision to move some production to Europe — in response to Europe's higher tariffs on Harley-Davidson bikes, which in turn were a reaction to Trump's higher tariffs on European steel and aluminum exports.

As before, our global power and influence benefit when we cooperate and respect our allies, not vilify them. Trump cannot deconstruct globalization. It is too big and well-entrenched. But as noted by Wall Street Journal columnist Greg Ip, Trump can damage it and weaken it by prescribing protectionism. Economic growth would suffer.

It's not just Trump. Albeit without his vicious rhetoric, many Democrats share the same nationalism, proof that it represents a potent political symbol. Foreigners are convenient scapegoats. There is also a deeper problem: Economics, which is increasingly global, has outpaced politics, which is mostly local.

What we had more of in the 1950s is hope and confidence. But they cannot be restored by reverting to a destructive neo-isolationism. It may be popular, but it's not practical. As noted, we've taken a turn for the worst.

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Why I'm celebrating America this Independence Day

BY NANCY E. ANDERSON

As the Fourth of July has approached, instead of being in a celebratory mood, I'm feeling down. I don't think I have to explain why. I subscribe to two newspapers, and each morning as I pour myself a cup of coffee and start reading, my heart gets heavy.

Sometimes I only look at a headline and then I tell myself not to read any more.

I was thinking about this weariness today as I brought my collection of mini American flags from the basement to the kitchen so my family could wave them at our local Fourth of July parade.

"You've got to be more positive," I said to myself. Right then I decided to write my funk by making a list of all that is good about our country. I tried to think of specifics that were not partisan or political. (Of course, if you dig deeper into any of these, you can find something divisive or controversial. But let's not.)

Here's what I came up with:



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Flags play a prominent role on July Fourth.

Baseball. Donald Hall, the former U.S. poet laureate who died in June, wrote: "Baseball is continuous, like nothing else among American things, an endless game of repeated summers, joining the long generations of all the fathers and all the sons." Baseball is a gift that is passed down to daughters too.

March Madness, both high school and college. Special thanks to Loyola Uni-

versity Chicago for making the NCAA men's 2018 tournament so much fun.

Pizza.

American cities, from Chicago, to New York, to Los Angeles, to Minneapolis, to Nashville. I never cease to be amazed by the vibrancy, creativity and innovation in our urban areas — and that includes Detroit. I'm rooting for the Motor City.

American cars. I'm partial to Fords and always have been. It might be because my brother-in-law worked there. It might also be because of that cool, shiny, blue, elliptical logo.

Public libraries. I'm claiming them as American because Benjamin Franklin is considered the father of the modern public library. When I was a child and my mother took me to our local library, I was amazed that I could choose from a sea of books and take them home for free. I still am.

Television. American TV has never been better, and with all of the streaming options, I never run out of interesting things to watch. I just finished Showtime's documentary series "The Fourth Estate" and it was riveting.

The interstate highway system.

The varied topography and natural beauty of this country. This year, I've spent time in California, Arizona and Virginia, which are all stunning in their own ways and different from one another.

You can't pigeonhole the American landscape.

One final thing: My ancestry is Swedish, my husband's is German and our new son-in-law is from Kenya. When we have family gatherings, we eat meatballs, mettwurst and goat. This, too, is good about America.

I feel better already.

Nancy E. Anderson lives in Evanston.

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Democratic values

As we celebrate our nation's birthday it is always useful to reflect upon what values our nation holds dear. Alexis de Tocqueville, the French diplomat, historian, and writer visited our new nation in the early 1800s. He observed that most Americans were quite concerned with materialism. I wonder if he would add hypocrisy to our list of values if he visited us recently.

We have a Constitution that holds dear religious neutrality and a court that accepted a ban on immigrants mostly from Muslim-majority countries. We have worked decades to build international coalitions and partnerships, especially in Western Europe, and a president who insulted these allies at one annual conference. We have seen this same president break us apart from treaties designed to keep our skies freer of pollution and our world safer from the fear of nuclear proliferation.

We have seen a Supreme Court chief justice who touted the virtues of *stare decisis* (standing by a precedent) and then voted to obliterate decades of labor rights. We say we believe in the concept of "one man, one vote," yet the highest court refused to right the wrongs imposed by partisan gerrymandering. The same court made it possible for states to erase registered voters who chose not to vote. We are proud to be a nation of immigrants, but many still support a president who tramples on immigrants' human rights. We have a political party that claims to be in favor of a balanced budget yet voted for one of the biggest tax giveaways in history.

Yes, Alexis would feel right at home in the America of 2018.

— Jan Goldberg, *Riverside*

Protecting Americans

So-called "progressive" Democrats are calling for the abolition of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (or ICE). U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin called ICE a group of "incompetents."

Here is ICE's mission: "To protect America from the cross-border crime and illegal immigration that threaten national security and public safety. This mission is executed through the enforcement of more than 400 federal statutes and focuses on smart immigration enforcement, preventing terrorism and combating the illegal movement of people and goods."

This includes things like stopping gangs such as MS-13; preventing illegal immigration; stopping potential terrorists; preventing human trafficking; and much more. If we get rid of ICE, who will protect the American citizens? Please tell us: What's your plan?

As far as Durbin's comments, has he ever spent anytime with ICE agents as they perform their dangerous duties? Ever spend a few days in their shoes? No, I didn't think so.

And he's a senior member of the U.S. Senate, which is one of the most incompetent elected organizations that exists with public poll approval ratings under 20 percent! These Democrats don't address problems; they just posture and bloat.

— Denis Bohm, *Mettawa, Ill.*

There's hope

Anytime a huge number of people arrive at the door of a country with only the things they are carrying and with no real destination, there is going to be turmoil.

Greece, Italy, and other countries for years have been the recipients of migrants braving the seas to arrive at their shorelines. The makeshift shelters for these people are no Hiltons, either, but probably the best these countries can do under the circumstances.

Like everyone else, I hope that these families from south of the border can stay together and be treated warmly and fairly when they reach the U.S. President Donald Trump isn't the only president struggling with how to protect the border and still be humane toward those fleeing their countries.

Is it time to take a look at why crime and poverty are so rampant in countries like Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador? Can we, or the United Nations, or the rest of the world help these countries somehow so that their citizens don't want to leave home?

Also, if we think immigrants are treated badly today, please read about what went on when Ellis Island was the destination. People were actually marked with chalk on their chests denoting their possible illness diagnoses. To a great extent, we truly have evolved in welcoming people to our country.

The answer is, of course, a comprehensive workable immigration policy that provides protection both for immigrants and the country. I happen to believe that the present leadership of our nation can make this happen.

— Kathleen Melia, *Niles*

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Police tackled me for stealing a car. It was my own.

BY LAWRENCE CROSBY

I was facedown on the pavement. One police officer was kneeling me in the back, while others pulled or punched. They paid no attention to my screams identifying myself as an engineering Ph.D. student at Northwestern University. They just kept punching. One shouted, "Stop resisting!"

The record is on the dashcam footage: It's nighttime. I step out of my car, bewildered at being pulled over and surrounded by police vehicles in the college town I've lived in for years. I hold my hands up high, shocked to see several guns pointed at me. It turns out a fellow student had called the police to report that someone was trying to steal a car. That someone was me. The car was my own. I had a key.

"I don't know if I'm, like, racial profiling," the woman had told the 911 dispatcher. To her and to the police, I was a black man in a hoodie. After the cops arrived, after they tackled me, and after they determined that the car was, indeed, my own, they charged me anyway.

Resisting arrest, they said. One cop joked to another that I "should feel lucky" he didn't shoot me.

I don't feel lucky. Every time I see the video from that October 2015 encounter, I experience fear, anger and terror. Fear that the color of my skin will make me out to be a criminal when I have broken no laws. Anger at the blatant disregard for

human life and rights that the Constitution is supposed to guarantee to all citizens. Terror to have come — perhaps — within seconds of being shot by people sworn to serve and protect.

Amadou Diallo, Timothy Russell and Malissa Williams, Philando Castile. Their stories — like many others — are all too familiar. They all suffered gross overreactions by officers of the peace. Unfortunately, you will never hear their side of the stories, as they didn't get the chance to speak before being shot to death. But you can hear mine.

My experience happened in Evanston, a town that thinks of itself as progressive and forward-thinking. If such rough treatment can happen here, where the police department has hired outside trainers to give lessons on racial sensitivity, and if it can happen to me, with my education and resources, it can happen anywhere.

My life is no more valuable than those of any of the people I mentioned above. Not at all. But this shouldn't happen to anyone. I was minding my own business and driving my own car, my accuser was aware of her racial preconceptions, and the police should have known better. And still I ended up face down for a crime I didn't commit, fearing for my life.

Now I must face consequences that are not of my own making. There's an arrest on my record, even though a Cook County judge found me not guilty once he heard the evidence. There's news coverage and the dashcam video on the Internet, avail-

able for any future employer or colleague who might choose to question me or my motives.

This isn't the story that I expected to be telling at this point in my life, having just received my doctorate from one of the top schools in the country. The bigger story of my life is growing up without knowing my father, losing my mother to illness when I was 8 and becoming a ward of the state.

Many people — black and white — stepped up to serve as mother, father, sister and brother to me. I persisted. The day after my foster mother kicked me out because I refused to join the National Guard, I applied to Stanford University and got in. After four years, I graduated with a bachelor's degree in engineering.

I've done everything in my power to defy the odds. Yet I feel as though I'm forever going to have to explain myself. As for the arresting officers, are they doing any explaining? Will they have to answer for the rest of their lives for their decision to wrestle me to the ground, pummel me and charge me with a crime?

A fellow student's impulsive action and her hasty decision to call the police have put all of my hard work in jeopardy. The arrest, the charges and the trial — a scarlet letter to go with the dark brown skin that I will wear for the rest of my life.

The Washington Post

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JIM LO SCALZO/EPA

White House counsel Don McGahn, left, with President Donald Trump last month, is leading the search for a Supreme Court pick.

Trump must not waver from his Supreme Court top 25 list



JONAH GOLDBERG

Presumably, as you read this, the White House is setting up its war room for the Supreme Court confirmation battle to come. The interns are stocking the mini fridges and hanging the musk-masking air fresheners that are de rigueur for any top-flight political bunker.

But before the administration goes to the mattresses, it first must pick a nominee. And that is why I hope White House counsel Don McGahn, who's leading the search, is hanging a sign for all to see: "It's the list, stupid."

Over the next few days, the White House will come under incredible pressure from the news media, the Democrats and some Republicans (pro-choice and abortion-squeamish) to abandon the list of potential Supreme Court nominees Donald Trump campaigned on (and later expanded slightly). On Sunday, Republican Sen. Susan Collins of Maine said on ABC's "This Week" that the president "should not feel bound" by the list.

Yes, yes, he should. All presidents claim broad mandates for virtually all their campaign promises. But the president has no clearer decree than fidelity to this list.

During the presidential primaries, as Trump inched closer to securing the nomination, millions of Republicans remained lukewarm about his candidacy. Their biggest substantive reservation: the Supreme Court. In the past, Trump had floated the idea of putting his own sister on the court. He later claimed it was a

joke. No one laughed.

In 2016, Trump issued a list of 11 names he would choose from to replace the late Justice Antonin Scalia. The lineup had been outsourced to, and approved by, the conservative legal organization the Federalist Society and the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank. In consultation with those groups, Trump later expanded the list, once during the general election and then again last November. Now, as Justice Anthony Kennedy plans to retire July 31, it stands at 25 names.

The list isn't perfect. No offense to the Federalist Society or the Heritage Foundation, but it wasn't handed down on stone tablets. Still, everyone on it is eminently qualified for the job, albeit some more than others.

And contrary to some of the chatter one hears on social media and cable TV, the list is emphatically non-Trumpist. Nearly everyone on it would have been considered by any other Republican president. There's no Roy Moore or Jeanine Pirro here.

Indeed, that's why the would-be president had to put out the list in the first place. Many in the GOP were willing to throw the dice on Trump the Disruptor when it came to immigration or trade, but the Supreme Court was too important to take a flier on. By design, the list isn't radical. It's reassuring, at least to the voters who elected Trump.

Nothing unifies the right more than the idea that this president should appoint conservative judges. The border wall, the Muslim ban, trade wars, Putinophilia: All of these issues divide the coalition that got Trump elected to one extent or another. The list unites it.

Of course, if you're a liberal, uniting the right is hardly a priority. But the simple fact is that any potential nominee

who could conceivably win even a handful of Democratic senators would be a betrayal of Trump's most important campaign promise and would cost him far more in Republican support.

If Trump were to nominate an obviously solid conservative not on the list, conservatives would probably live with it, but it would be a needless breach of trust with Republicans that would earn nothing from Democrats. Meanwhile, if he were to name some "bipartisan" liberal judge, the conservative backlash against George W. Bush after his nomination of Harriet Miers would seem like a polite disagreement over a game of bridge at the old-age home by comparison.

So it's fine for California's Democratic Sen. Kamala Harris to declare that the list's 25 potential nominees are "complete nonstarters." The fact is, anyone Trump might nominate would be a non-starter for her and nearly all of the Democratic caucus. There's simply no Solomonic bipartisan compromise that could please everybody.

For Trump, sticking to the list would please more people than any other option within the realm of the possible. It would also have the most democratic legitimacy because this is what the president very explicitly campaigned on.

That seems like a good standard to adhere to these days. Liberals who demand that the president untether himself from this commitment and go with his instincts may not have thought through how that might work out.

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Jim Beam to pay \$8M SEC fine

Company allegedly bribed Indian government officials

BY BEN BAIN
Bloomberg

A push by the distributor of Jim Beam to get more Indians to drink its booze has left the company with a hangover in the U.S.

Beam Suntory Inc. has agreed to pick up a roughly \$8 million tab for allegedly bribing government officials for years to make inroads in India's highly regulated liquor business, the U.S. Securities and

Exchange Commission said in a Monday statement. Between 2006 and 2012, the company made illicit payments through third-party sales promoters and distributors to get licenses and secure prominent placements on store shelves, the SEC said.

In one alleged violation, senior managers at an international Beam unit agreed to pay an Indian official about \$18,000 -- the cost of 1,000 standard whiskey bottles in the U.S. -- to grease the approval process for a new product back in 2011. The one million Rupee payment was equivalent to about a year's worth of salary for the Indian bureaucrat, the SEC said.

Beam, which is best known for its Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey, didn't admit or deny the allegations. The Illinois company traded on the New York Stock Exchange before being acquired by Japan's Suntory Holdings Ltd. in 2014.

In a statement, Beam said that it's "committed to doing business the right way everywhere we operate" and that it first discovered the problems and alerted U.S. authorities. The company has taken corrective action and is cooperating with the Justice Department, which is continuing a probe into the matter, according to the statement.



BRUCE SCHREINER/AP 2014

Jim Beam, which is best known for its Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey, has agreed to pay an \$8 million SEC fine amid allegations of bribing Indian government officials in an attempt to increase sales in the country.

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The Independence Day fireworks at Navy Pier in Chicago. Ding Yan Zhong, a Chinese businessman, has become the most important player in fireworks logistics in the world.

How one Chinese businessman controls most U.S. fireworks

BY DAMIAN PALETTA AND EMILY RAUHALA | The Washington Post

Roughly 70 percent of all Chinese fireworks entering the United States come here under the control of a Chinese businessman who has used his influence to raise prices and block competitors, leaving many U.S. executives fearful of losing access to their most important Fourth of July inventories. ¶ Ding Yan Zhong — known to industry insiders as “Mr. Ding” — has managed the flow of fireworks for a decade through the two companies he founded, Shanghai Huayang and Firstrans International. ¶ He has broadened his empire by consolidating power in China, expanding his reach into California and becoming the most important player in fireworks logistics on both sides of the Pacific Ocean.

Now, Ding's control of the fireworks delivery chain is nearly complete, according to two dozen shipping and fireworks executives, more than 40,000 fireworks shipping records, numerous court documents and other sources.

In the United States, shipping con-

tainers, often stuffed with 30,000 pounds of pyrotechnics, are frequently received by Firstrans, which was founded by Ding seven years ago, completing an 11,000-mile journey from southeastern Chinese city of Liuyang, connected to Ding every step of the way.

Ding's volume and fees rose just as the spectacular fireworks he delivers do, and they are passed along to U.S. consumers, paid by everyone from hobbyists buying sparkling comets at roadside stands to municipal governments buying professional-scale shells for their annual Fourth of July celebrations, according to fireworks industry officials in China and the United States.

“Everything going through Shanghai goes through Mr. Ding and Huayang,” said Julie Heckman, executive director of the American Pyrotechnics Association, a U.S. trade group for fireworks companies. “We have no choice. You want to get your products, that's what you do. ... The industry is at the mercy of that, and nobody wants to rock the boat.”

But Steve Houser, secretary of another trade group, the National Fireworks Association, said U.S. companies don't have to rely on Huayang exclusively because several smaller firms also were able to ship fireworks to the

United States from China.

Still, he added, “Mr. Ding, as everybody calls him, is better to have as a friend than an enemy, I'll tell you that.”

So far this year, companies founded by Ding have arranged the transportation of 241 million pounds of fireworks, loaded onto 7400 containers from China to the United States, according to Panjiva, a firm that tracks companies involved in global trade.

Panjiva allowed The Washington Post to analyze its database of import records to assess the scope of Huayang's market share. These records show how most U.S. importers rely on Ding's companies to bring fireworks to the United States.

The dynamic is well-known within the industry, but executives at some U.S. firms supplied by Ding's companies say they are extremely wary of speaking out against Ding. Multiple fireworks executives in the United

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Shoppers leave the L.L. Bean retail store in Freeport, Maine. A judge quashed a customer's attempt to challenge the company's return policy.

Judge sides with L.L. Bean in challenge of its return policy

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

A federal judge has quashed an Illinois customer's attempt to challenge L.L. Bean's limits on its famously generous lifetime return policy.

The Freeport, Maine-based retailer put a one-year limit on most returns in February in an effort to reduce abuse of its satisfaction guarantee. Less than a week later, Victor Bondi sued in U.S. District Court in Chicago, saying a warranty with “no end date” was part

of the deal when customers chose to buy from the company. Bondi's lawsuit sought class-action status.

Judge Robert Gettleman dismissed the lawsuit last week, saying Bondi, who never said he'd attempted to return items to L.L. Bean, failed to show he'd been hurt by the policy change. L.L. Bean never said it intended to stop honoring the old warranty on items bought prior to the policy change, Gettleman wrote.

L.L. Bean has said that products bought prior to the Feb. 9 policy change are not subject to the new

one-year limit on returns.

Bondi “did not claim to be dissatisfied with his L.L. Bean purchase, was never denied a refund and therefore has no basis on which to pursue this case,” L.L. Bean spokeswoman Carolyn Beem said.

The company is “very pleased” with the recent ruling, she said.

Bondi's attorneys could not be reached immediately Tuesday for comment.

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Most U.S. fireworks are controlled by one man

Fireworks, from Page 1

States and China refer to Ding and Huayang interchangeably, saying their interactions with the company largely revolved around his decision-making. A number of executives interviewed for this story refused to speak on the record, worried they would lose access to fireworks.

Panjiva data show Ding's companies have shipped more fireworks this year than any other, despite tensions that are pushing the U.S. and China closer to a full-scale trade war. One area of dispute concerns the rules with which China requires many U.S. companies to comply to access its market.

Ding has used the complexities of that relationship to build powerful businesses in both countries. President Donald Trump wants U.S. firms to be able to compete more freely with Chinese counterparts, but the pipeline that Ding's companies have established in both countries demonstrates how difficult this goal is.

Ding, through one of his most senior advisers, Hu Yulu, agreed to meet with Post reporters for an interview in Shanghai. But he never appeared.

Instead, Ding's vice general manager — Danny Zhou — said the interview had been canceled after concerns raised by a "relevant authority" he would not identify.

This fireworks story begins with an explosion.

On Feb. 14, 2008, in Foshan, a city in southern China, 15,000 cartons of fireworks spread across 20 warehouses exploded in the middle of the night, creating a blast that damaged windows and doors a half-mile away. Surprisingly, no one was seriously hurt.

Before the explosion, companies could ship fireworks out of numerous ports, fireworks industry executives said. But after the explosion, Chinese authorities cracked down, re-



Various varieties of fireworks are seen for sale at a fireworks stand in Arlington, Virginia.

quiring almost all of the pyrotechnics to be moved out of Shanghai. And, perhaps most significant, to ship fireworks, companies now needed to obtain special permits, the executives said.

Only three were initially given out by Shanghai's Maritime Safety Administration to transfer fireworks onto container ships there, several fireworks and shipping executives said. Of those three, Ding was the only recipient who could move his vessels through the Shanghai port for export to the United States, according to Liu Jihua, owner of Hunan Hongguang Logistics, a Liuyang company that specializes in shipping to Southeast Asia.

At the time, Ding was a relatively unknown entrepreneur who had mostly specialized in exporting fireworks to Europe.

He had a collection of warehouses in Hunan, the southern Chinese province that has made fireworks for more than 1,000 years, according to a person who has



Craig Allen, of New York, fills up his cart with fireworks at the Phantom Fireworks in Hinsdale, N.H. Allen budgeted out \$5,000 for his firework display.

visited the facilities. His property was very basic and lacked paved roads, a dangerous omission when transporting explosives, the person said. The dirt road could become unnavigable

when it rained. And it rained a lot.

But in China, permits are power. As a result, most of the producers in China and the buyers in the United States needed to funnel all their orders through Ding's company. Huayang eventually upgraded its warehouse and bought nine barges to transport containers along the snaking Yangtze River, connecting Hunan to Shanghai, according to a presentation Zhou gave to the American Pyrotechnics Association this year.

In 2008, Huayang transported 64,217,430 pounds of fireworks, according to Panjiva. The next year, its volume increased to 79,541,209. This year, Ding's company has shipped triple that amount in the first five months. The American Pyrotechnics Association estimates that Americans spend more than \$1 billion on fireworks each year.

Ding's control allowed him to bump up prices sharply. The cost of shipping a container of fireworks before the explosion was about \$5,000. But within several years, Ding charged between \$8,000 and \$15,000 to ship a container of the consumer fireworks and nearly \$20,000 for the larger fireworks used at professional shows, according to officials at U.S. and Chinese companies who have relied on him for access.

If U.S. companies wanted fireworks from China, they had no choice. They had to pay Huayang. And they did. But Ding's ambitions stretched across the ocean.

Ding had almost complete control of the containers leaving China. He still needed someone to collect them in the United States.

Ding already had a U.S. partner in JT Worldwide, a Chicago logistics company run by a Shanghai-born businessman, Junyuan Tsang. Ding had first partnered with Tsang before the explosion, when he was toying with the idea of establishing a U.S. operation, Tsang said. And so when Ding wanted to expand his U.S. operations, he reached out to Tsang, Tsang said.

Huayang put the containers onto vessels in Shanghai, and Tsang would arrange for their collection at U.S. ports. Just as they do now, Tsang said, the fireworks often went through major West Coast ports, such as the ones in Los Angeles and Long Beach, Calif., but some would pass

through the Panama Canal, after which Tsang's firm would have them picked up in places such as Charleston, S.C., and Newark, N.J.

By 2010, more than half of Tsang's business was arranging pickup for Huayang's containers. But Ding wanted a bigger presence, Tsang said, and he wasn't satisfied with sharing. Ding wanted to buy Tsang out, he said.

During a business trip to Shanghai, Tsang said he met Ding and several of his associates for dinner.

When he got the offer, it was low. Tsang declined to say how much Ding offered, but he said it was embarrassingly low, and he turned it down.

Ding had a Plan B. He would start his own logistics company, call it Firstrans International and base it in Southern California, between the ports in Los Angeles and Long Beach, according to Tsang and California state records.

Tsang said he felt morally compelled to help Ding with the endeavor. He agreed to train Firstrans's manager, at no charge. Documents filed with the California secretary of state in 2011 show Firstrans was created by a man named Yan Zhong Ding, who is listed as president of Hua Yang Transportation Co.

Soon after that, Ding sent most of the containers he shipped to the United States through Firstrans, largely cutting out companies like JT Worldwide, according to Panjiva data and Tsang. Ding was starting to control the entire process on both continents.

Tsang said the change has hurt his business, but he would not say by how much. In 2008, Tsang received roughly 100 percent of Ding's U.S. imports. By 2017, his share had fallen to 12 percent, according to Panjiva.

Ding's rise to power was extraordinary — and someone, somewhere, thought it seemed too extraordinary.

In early 2010, Michael Moneck, an investigator with the U.S. Federal Maritime Commission, received a peculiar complaint.

In a two-page letter, written in broken English that appeared almost translated literally from Chinese, an anonymous writer alleged that Huayang and JT Worldwide had improper control over the fireworks shipment business, violating shipping rules.

Moneck was one of two

Pacific Coast investigators for the maritime commission, which is tasked with enforcing shipping laws. The letter matched previous complaints he'd heard about Huayang's practices, and the veteran of the commission was ready to investigate.

But Moneck quickly ran into problems. He couldn't track down the person who sent the complaint. And he found that U.S. fireworks companies, the ones paying Huayang the higher costs, didn't want to cooperate with any investigation for fear of being cut off by Huayang.

Heckman, the American Pyrotechnics Association executive director, said executives did not take a formal vote on the matter because there was no interest in potentially losing access to shipments. She said Ding's company had become a major source of tension within her trade group.

Moneck said his superiors at the maritime commission wanted him to proceed, but only cautiously because some of the complaints he had heard warned that the Chinese government might be involved.

"Because the allegations involved a foreign government it was even more important to have a factual foundation to launch such an investigation," Moneck wrote in a two-page statement to The Post. "Frankly, I was never able to establish the necessary evidence to proceed."

In 2016, after 27 years at the agency, Moneck retired.

"The Commission carefully examined these allegations, as it does all matters that are brought to its attention," said John DeCrosta, a maritime commission spokesman. "If additional information comes to light, the Commission will thoroughly examine it in conjunction with the materials that it has already obtained."

On May 3, three giant shipping vessels carrying 3 million pounds of fireworks arrived in Long Beach after a two-week trip from Shanghai. Of the 99 fireworks containers on those ships, 98 were arranged by companies founded by Ding, according to Panjiva data.

On May 23, three more vessels docked in Long Beach and Los Angeles carrying 10 million pounds of fireworks spread throughout 309 containers. Ding's companies controlled every single one.

In 2010, Huayang shipped 61.4 million pounds of fireworks to the United States, according to Panjiva. By 2015, Huayang's total volume exceeded 172 million pounds packed on more than 5,200 containers. This year, Ding's company had exceeded that volume by Memorial Day.

Firstrans is the primary receiver of fireworks entering the United States. These pyrotechnics will be used at many of the 16,000 local celebrations across the country next week.

Fireworks transported by Ding's companies will also sparkle and sizzle on driveways and in back yards throughout the United States, as the majority of fireworks imports are bought by individuals and families.

Among those shooting off these fireworks will be Tim Jameson, a Maryland pyrotechnician who didn't realize the Shanghai businessman played a role in shipping all of the fireworks he used to light up the sky.

Jameson's company will conduct large-scale Fourth of July shows, and he prides himself on the rush of color and sound and adrenaline that comes with each performance. But the cost is never lost on him. He can pay more than \$100,000 for a container of fireworks and then another \$18,000 for shipping, depending on the fees set thousands of miles away by Ding's company.

"I knew that part was costing a lot," he said. "But I didn't know one guy was controlling everything."

Rauhala contributed from Shanghai and Liuyang. The Washington Post's Shirley Feng in Liuyang and Amber Ziye Wang in Shanghai contributed to this report.

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A Chinese boycott would cut both ways

Beijing would risk damage if shoppers punished U.S. brands

BY BRUCE EINHORN
Bloomberg News

As a trade war looms, one of Chinese President Xi Jinping's biggest weapons could be boycotts of American brands by his country's legion of consumers.

But Xi would also be risking collateral damage at home: The China operations of all-American brands ranging from Coca-Cola and McDonald's to Walt Disney Co. are co-owned by state-backed Chinese firms.

One of Coke's main China partners is government-backed COFCO Corp.; Shanghai Disneyland is part-owned by a local consortium, and McDonald's franchisee in the country is controlled by state-backed conglomerate Citic Ltd. and private-equity firm Citic Capital Holdings.

"The perfect Stars-and-Stripes corporate victim doesn't exist," said Tom Orlik, chief economist in Beijing with Bloomberg Economics. "The number of big clean wins in terms of striking against the other guy — without accidentally punching your own guy in the face — is extremely small."

Even when Chinese companies don't have direct



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McDonald's owns 20 percent of its Chinese namesake, having sold the rest to a state-backed business and others.

ownership links with U.S. brands, Orlik said, boycotts or other non-tariff retaliation would hit the local partners of those American companies.

Early shots in the trade war are set to be fired on Friday, with the U.S. scheduled to impose tariffs on \$34 billion of Chinese exports. Beijing has said it will place levies on an equal value of U.S. goods, a move that Trump said would lead to additional penalties. This

week, the U.S. moved to block China Mobile from entering its telecommunications market, citing national security risks.

"By now there is no backing out," Pauline Loong, managing director at research firm Asia-Analytica in Hong Kong, said on Bloomberg Television this week.

Unlike overt actions like tariffs, boycotts by Chinese consumers appear suddenly and usually follow

angry rhetoric by government-controlled publications and social media. In earlier conflicts with foreign countries, Chinese citizens inflamed by nationalistic news coverage boycotted high-profile international brands like Toyota Motor Corp. and Hyundai Motor Co., hurting corporate profits and boosting Chinese leverage.

Imports of Chinese goods into the U.S. totaled \$505 billion in 2017 while

China only imported \$130 billion from the U.S., limiting Xi's ability to respond with tit-for-tat penalties. However, American companies sold \$280 billion of goods and services in China last year through their local subsidiaries, according to Deutsche Bank AG. That creates a big target.

"No U.S. product sold in China, or U.S. company invested in China, can be considered safe from its retaliation," said Yanmei

Xie, a China policy analyst for Gavekal Dragonomics in Beijing.

Besides boycotts, Beijing could consider creating costly administrative bottlenecks for U.S. imports or impose punitive measures against U.S. companies operating in China, analysts at research firm TS Lombard wrote in a June 20 note.

Prominent consumer brands like McDonald's and KFC have in the past been easy targets, with thousands of restaurants across the country.

But since anti-U.S. demonstrations in 2016 targeted them with calls for boycotts, the U.S. owners of both fast-food giants have sold their controlling interests in their Chinese operations.

Chicago-based McDonald's owns only 20 percent of its Chinese namesake, having sold the rest last July to state-backed conglomerate Citic Ltd. and other investors.

Louisville, Ky.-based Yum! Brands Inc. no longer owns the KFC and Pizza Hut businesses in China, having spun off Yum China Holdings Inc. in 2016. Meanwhile, in April 2017, Coca-Cola sold its China bottling assets.

Consumers trying to punish Trump by staying away from Disney's theme park in Shanghai would hurt Chinese companies because the American firm is a minority shareholder there.

To airlines, it's the crowded skies

Carrier costs rise as fast as commercial rockets take off

BY JUSTIN BACHMAN
Bloomberg News

On Feb. 6, Elon Musk's SpaceX launched its largest rocket into the blue Florida sky. Onboard was "Starman," a dummy strapped into the billionaire's cherry red Tesla roadster. Minutes later, fans cheered as Musk topped himself by nailing a simultaneous landing of the Falcon Heavy's boosters. It was arguably a turning point for the commercial space age.

Airlines were somewhat less thrilled.

On that day, 563 flights were delayed and 62 extra miles added to flights in the southeast region of the U.S., according to Federal Aviation Administration data released recently by the Air Line Pilots Association, or ALPA.

America's airspace is a finite resource, and the growth of commercial launches has U.S. airlines worried. Whenever Musk or one of his rivals sends up a spacecraft, the carriers that operate closer to the ground must avoid large swaths of territory and incur sizable expenses.

Most of the commercial activity to date has been focused on Cape Canaveral, the Air Force post on Florida's Atlantic coast, where Musk's Space Exploration Technologies Corp. and Jeff Bezos' Blue Origin base their stellar operations. It is one of 22 active U.S. launch sites, and a number of other locales — including Brownsville, Texas; Camden County, Ga.; and Watkins, Colo. — are pursuing new spaceport ventures to capitalize on commercial space activity.

Bezos is blasting off from land he owns in West Texas; Virgin Group founder Richard Branson plans to launch



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More than 560 airlines flights were delayed to make room for the Falcon 9 SpaceX liftoff Feb. 6 at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla.

tourists from southern New Mexico as early as next year; and Musk is planning an eventual new SpaceX launchpad in extreme southern Texas, near South Padre Island. While this trio of space tycoons dominate the nascent industry, more companies will soon join the party. And the potential for what may eventually be daily launches carries major implications for air travel.

"Commercial space launch needs to be better integrated into the national airspace," noted Caryn Schenewerk, Hawthorne, Calif.-based SpaceX's senior counsel and director of government affairs. The Falcon 9 exceeds 60,000 feet on launch "in a quick 90 seconds" with its reusable rocket boosters only requiring use of the airspace for one minute before landing.

Tim Canoll is president of ALPA, the union that represents 60,000 U.S. and Canadian pilots. He cautions that work is needed to

make the two industries operate seamlessly, saying at a recent hearing of a House Transportation and Infrastructure subcommittee in Washington that FAA operations don't have "real-time data" on rockets' movements.

The U.S. licensed only 23 commercial launches last year, but that's likely to increase. As the launch industry matures, the ultimate goal is to incorporate spacecraft into the routine flow of the 42,000 daily aircraft that the FAA controls, making a SpaceX Falcon 9 bound for the International Space Station no different than an American A321 headed to Miami.

"The next step," said Canoll, is to put space travel and air travel together, so rockets "can operate along with us."

There is a lot of money at stake. Airlines say their average cost of "block time," the industry metric for the period when an aircraft is

taxiing or flying, was \$68.48 per minute in 2017, or \$4,109 hourly, led by crew and jet fuel expenses. The average delay of those 563 flights on Feb. 6 was 8 minutes. For perspective, 10 flights delayed by 10 minutes costs about \$70,000, ALPA noted. To make matters worse, the block time average is likely to rise this year — further aggravating airline executives and pilots whenever a SpaceX or United Launch Alliance rocket closes airspace.

"These restrictions have led to extensive and expensive delays to commercial air traffic that are unsustainable," ALPA said in a white paper.

The U.S. airlines' trade group, Airlines for America, has urged the FAA to "carefully consider the safety and efficiency impacts to the traveling public" in crafting an integration plan, spokeswoman Alison McAfee said in an email.

For example, the group

expressed "grave concerns" this month about a proposed Spaceport Colorado, which would be located at a small airport less than 10 miles southeast of Denver International, the fifth-busiest U.S. airport.

This kind of uneasy coexistence has become the norm as the FAA continues to restrict airspace for commercial launches and re-entry, often for an hour or more. The closed space can extend for hundreds of miles along a rocket's planned flight path, given the potential risks if a craft explodes in flight. That area will need to decrease over time to minimize airline disruptions, industry experts told Congress. Specifically, they said computer simulations of such disasters block off more airspace than necessary.

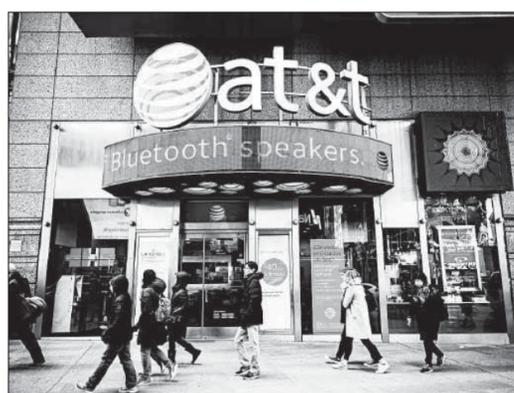
In March, the FAA formed an aviation committee to assemble recommendations for a regulatory approach to the commercial

launch industry. The new rules will offer safety objectives while not dictating any vehicle design or operational mandates for space firms.

Tests have shown that rocket telemetry data can flow into current air-traffic control systems and give controllers real-time awareness on the vehicle's movement. Of course, air traffic controllers direct an aircraft's course and speed — a power they won't have with space vehicles.

Audrey Powers, Blue Origin's deputy general counsel, told the House panel "this is a very solvable problem."

The industry and regulators need to develop tools to help further existing efforts to build a space data integrator system, designed to automate the flow of real-time rocket data and the release of blocked airspace because, she said, "we are smart enough to solve this problem."



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AT&T, which said its decision was based on industry trends, will start raising prices for new customers July 26.

AT&T to hike price of DirecTV Now by \$5

BY BRIAN FUNG
The Washington Post

AT&T told a federal judge this year that its landmark merger with Time Warner would probably result in lower prices for its DirecTV customers. But the telecom giant is saying that it will raise the price of DirecTV's online streaming service, DirecTV Now, by \$5 a month for new and existing customers, according to an AT&T spokesman.

The decision affects all service tiers of the product,

according to Cord Cutters News, which first reported the change. That brings the base tier to \$40 per month and the top tier to \$75.

In a statement, AT&T said its decision was driven by industry trends.

"To continue delivering the best possible streaming experience for both new and existing customers, we're bringing the cost of this service in line with the market — which starts at a \$40 price point," AT&T said in the statement.

AT&T's move mirrors

price increases among other online streaming services.

Last week, Dish Network's Sling TV announced that it was raising the price of its base package, Sling Orange, by \$5 per month, to \$25. Another competitor, YouTube TV, raised its price by \$5, to \$40 per month, in March.

AT&T's price hike takes effect July 26 for new customers and possibly later for existing customers. If applied across DirecTV Now's entire userbase of

nearly 1.5 million customers, the price increase could mean more than \$87.5 million a year in new revenue for AT&T.

The announcement comes days after an industry analyst said AT&T had also increased an "administrative fee" on its wireless customer bills in a recent move that could generate almost \$1 billion a year in additional income. The analyst speculated that some of the fee could be intended to cover the costs of the Time Warner merger.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 24,319.42 Low: 24,077.56 Previous: 24,307.18



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
↑ -65.01 (+.76%)	↑ -13.49 (+.31%)	↑ +12.02 (+.73%)
Close 7,502.67	Close 2,713.22	Close 1,655.09
High 7,568.10	High 2,727.26	High 1,655.09
Low 7,443.10	Low 2,698.95	Low 1,631.06
Previous 7,567.68	Previous 2,726.71	Previous 1,643.07

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
↓ -0.04 to 2.83%	↑ +11.80 to \$1,251.60	↓ -0.24 to 110.62/\$1	↓ -0.0032 to .8582/\$1	↑ +0.20 to \$74.14

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
...	-0.78	-0.36	...	-1.77	-1.29	...	+22.79	+11.70

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	480.75	495	480.50	491.50	+11.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	340.25	345.25	339.25	342.75	+5.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	849.50	852.75	843	844	-4.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jul 18	28.81	28.85	28.58	28.62	-0.15
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jul 18	329.50	330.80	327.80	327.80	-1.70
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	Aug 18	74.08	75.27	72.73	74.14	+0.20
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Aug 18	2.861	2.903	2.852	2.870	+0.008
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Aug 18	2.1043	2.1350	2.0907	2.1176	+0.0128

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	60.81	-19	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	91.75	+30	McDonalds Corp	N	156.48	-39
AbbVie Inc	N	93.61	+50	Equity Residential	N	63.60	+13	Middleby Corp	O	104.19	+98
Allstate Corp	N	91.90	+23	Exelon Corp	N	42.81	-09	Mondelz Int'l	O	40.81	-05
Apargroup Inc	N	93.99	+43	First Indl RT	N	33.45	+21	Morningstar Int'l	O	128.75	-18
Arch Dan Mid	N	73.07	-68	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	53.40	+02	Motorola Solutions	N	115.90	-61
Baxter Intl	N	332.93	-315	Gallagher AJ	N	297.76	-854	Navistar Intl	N	26.73	+21
Boeing Co	N	65.33	-140	GrubHub Inc	N	105.33	-127	Nhsn Trust Cp	O	102.61	-141
Brunswick Corp	O	102.42	-133	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	86.94	-25	Old Republic	N	19.87	-03
CDK Global Inc	O	65.22	-02	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	77.95	+75	Packaging Corp Am	N	112.82	+40
CDW Corp	O	82.17	-29	IDEX Corp	N	135.44	-35	Stericycle Inc	O	64.99	-15
CF Industries	N	44.26	+86	ITW	N	139.23	+62	TransUnion	N	72.41	-29
CME Group	O	161.12	-2.87	Ingredion Inc	N	109.74	+55	Tribune Media Co A	N	38.31	+08
CNA Financial	N	46.15	+54	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	164.10	-2.55	USG Corp	N	43.15	-01
Caterpillar Inc	N	133.83	-2.46	KapStone Paper	N	34.66	+05	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	235.28	+2.74
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	34.64	-39	Kemper Corp	N	75.70	-05	United Cont'l Hldgs	N	70.16	-76
Deere Co	N	140.24	-92	Kraft Heinz Co	O	62.64	+55	Ventas Inc	N	58.02	+1.15
Discover Fin Svcs	N	70.54	-61	LKQ Corporation	O	31.76	+01	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	60.76	-37
Dover Corp	N	73.23	+31	Littelfuse Inc	O	223.33	-2.58	Wintrust Financial	O	88.33	+15
Equity Commonwealth	N	31.79	+22	MB Financial	O	46.87	-38	Zebra Tech	O	148.32	+04

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	27.78	-0.50
AT&T Inc	32.71	+0.50
Gen Electric	13.37	+0.00
Ambev S.A.	4.69	+0.00
Yamana Gold Inc	3.06	+0.18
Chesapeake Energy	5.28	+1.10
Oracle Corp	44.72	-2.23
Ford Motor	10.99	-1.11
Petrobras	10.22	+0.15
Twitter Inc	43.89	-1.09
Wells Fargo & Co	55.56	-0.76
Citigroup	66.06	-1.10
Alibaba Group Hldg	184.75	-1.61
ENSCO PLC	7.00	+0.08
Vale SA	12.55	+0.06
Sthwstn Energy	5.32	+0.08
Pfizer Inc	36.35	+0.02
Banco Bradesco ADS	7.07	+0.30
Denbury Res	4.74	+0.14
Nokia Corp	5.68	+0.03
Marathon Oil	21.27	+0.61
Cemex SAB de CV	6.63	+0.29
Freepport McMoran	17.07	-0.09
Verizon Comm	50.70	+0.28

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Micron Tech	51.48	-3.00
Adv Micro Dev	15.00	-1.16
VEON Ltd	2.73	+0.34
IQIYI Inc	32.98	+1.18
Helios and Matheson	.21	-0.01
Intel Corp	49.49	-0.71
Microsoft Corp	99.05	-0.96
Apple Inc	183.64	-3.54
Facebook Inc	192.73	-4.63
Cisco Syst	42.67	-1.14
Comcast Corp A	33.09	-0.08
Tesla Inc	310.86	-24.21
Roku Inc	45.54	+2.25
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.75	-0.07
Neovasc Inc	.04	-0.00
Altaba Inc	72.79	-6.2
Anavex Life Sci	3.82	+1.16
SAExploration Hldgs	1.72	-0.58
Marvel Tech Grp	21.02	-4.5
Applied Matis	44.80	-8.8
Starbucks Cp	48.77	-2.9
21st Century Fox A	48.60	-6.0
MagneGas Corp	.38	+0.02
JD.com Inc	38.39	-4.0

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2786.89	+11.3/+4
Stoxx600	376.75	-3.2/-8
Nikkei	21785.54	-26.4/-1
MSCI-EAFE	1947.27	+13.8/+1
Bovespa	72839.75	+77.2/+1
FTSE 100	7547.85	-89.1/-1.2
CAC-40	5276.76	-46.8/-0.9

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	184.75	-1.61
Alphabet Inc C	1102.89	-24.57
Alphabet Inc A	1116.28	-25.83
Amazon.com Inc	1693.96	-19.82
Apple Inc	183.64	-3.54
Bank of America	27.78	-0.50
Berkshire Hath B	186.02	-1.81
Chevron Corp	124.73	+0.48
Exxon Mobil Corp	82.24	+0.48
Facebook Inc	192.73	-4.63
JPMorgan Chase	103.61	-1.47
Johnson & Johnson	122.71	+1.13
Microsoft Corp	99.05	-0.96
Royal Dutch Shell B	72.03	+0.55
Royal Dutch Shell A	68.89	+0.49
Unitedhealth Group	246.98	-0.50
Visa Inc	131.45	-1.05
WalMart Strs	84.44	+0.44
Wells Fargo & Co	55.56	-0.76

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.96	1.94
6-month disc	2.06	2.085
2-year	2.53	2.55
10-year	2.83	2.87
30-year	2.96	2.99

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1253.20	\$1239.80
Silver	\$15.952	\$15.744
Platinum	\$841.80	\$809.00

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.00
Discount Rate Primary	2.50
Fed Funds Target	1.75-2.00
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.51

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys...	
Argentina (Peso)	27.9525
Australia (Dollar)	1.3546
Brazil (Real)	3.8959
Britain (Pound)	0.7581
Canada (Dollar)	1.3142
China (Yuan)	6.6425
Euro	0.8582
India (Rupee)	68.540
Israel (Shekel)	3.6502
Japan (Yen)	110.62
Mexico (Peso)	19.5236
Poland (Zloty)	3.77
So. Korea (Won)	1116.26
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.58
Thailand (Baht)	33.15

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	33.17	-0.4	+20.8
American Funds AmnBAlA m	27.12	-0.2	+9.1
American Funds CptWldGrInCA m	59.87	+2.2	+2.3
American Funds FdMtlInvsA m	62.38	-2.1	+14.0
American Funds GrfAmrCA m	53.78	-3.0	+22.2
American Funds InAmrCA m	22.66	+0.2	+5.3
American Funds InvCAMrCA m	40.25	-0.7	+12.5
American Funds NwPrsctvA m	44.76	-1.7	+14.5
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	44.28	-1.2	+13.2
DFA IntlCorEqIn	13.82	+0.2	+7.7
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.38	+0.2	+5
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	42.82	+0.18	-6.6
Dodge & Cox Stk	202.36	-3.3	+11.6
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.43	+0.2	+1.3
Fidelity 500IdxIn	95.22	-4.8	+13.8
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	95.22	-4.8	+13.9
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	95.22	-4.7	+13.9
Fidelity Contrafund	131.61	-1.23	+24.1
Fidelity ContrafundK	131.59	-1.22	+24.2
Fidelity LowPrStk	54.77	+0.1	+12.1
Fidelity TlMktIdxPrm	78.52	-3.0	+14.4
Franklin Templeton InCA m	2.29	-	+3.0
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	10.39	+0.2	+2.5
PIMCO Inclnstl	11.99	+0.2	+2.5
PIMCO TlRetIn	9.98	+0.2	+3
Schwab SP500Idx	42.19	-2.1	+13.8
T. Rowe Price BCGr	107.32	-1.00	+28.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	68.57	-0.66	+22.9
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	250.51	-1.25	+13.9
Vanguard DivGrIn	26.49	-0.07	+1.1
Vanguard GrdAdmrl	76.85	-5.7	+19.3
Vanguard HCAmrl	85.24	+1.1	+2.4
Vanguard InTRTEAdmrl	13.89	-	+1.2
Vanguard InsdIn	247.30	-1.22	+13.9
Vanguard InsdInPlus	247.31	-1.23	+13.9
Vanguard InsTSMInPls	60.73	-2.3	+14.5
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	98.90	-1.3	+14.4
Vanguard MCDIdxAdmrl	195.22	-2.1	+11.7
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	139.43	-1.05	+18.3
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.46	+0.1	+4
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	75.06	+1.8	+16.5
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OBITUARIES

GUDRUN BURWITZ 1929-2018

Daughter of Holocaust architect was ever-loyal

BY MATT SCHUDEL
The Washington Post

Gudrun Burwitz, the true-believing daughter of Heinrich Himmler, the architect of the Holocaust and Nazi Germany's highest-ranking official after Adolf Hitler, died July 24 in or near Munich. She was 88.

Her death was first reported by the German newspaper Bild, which also confirmed that Burwitz had worked for two years in West Germany's foreign intelligence agency. The agency's chief historian, Bodo Hechelhammer, told the newspaper that Burwitz worked as a secretary under an assumed name in the early 1960s. The agency does not comment on current or past employees until they have died.

Burwitz, who was sometimes called a "Nazi princess" by supporters and detractors alike, remained unrepentant and loyal to her father to the end. Although she had visited a concentration camp, she denied the existence of the Holocaust and, in later years, helped provide money and comfort to former Nazis convicted or suspected of war crimes.

At the time of her birth in 1929, her father was consolidating power as leader of the elite Nazi paramilitary corps known as the SS. Himmler also commanded the German secret police, the Gestapo, and established the system of prison and concentration camps in which more than 6 million people — primarily Jews but also Roma (or Gypsies), homosexuals and others — would perish.

The only person who outranked Himmler in the Nazi hierarchy was Hitler himself.

Gudrun, who was Himmler's oldest child and only legitimate daughter, was exceptionally devoted to her father. Himmler and his wife later adopted a son, and he had two other children with his mistress.

Throughout the 1930s and early 1940s, the bespectacled, undistinguished-looking Himmler enjoyed having Gudrun at his side, as a blond, blue-eyed symbol of Aryan youth. In a diary later seized by Allied authorities, she noted that she liked to see her reflection in her father's polished boots. She attended Christmas parties with Hitler, who gave her dolls and chocolates.

When she was 12, Gudrun accompanied her father



A young Gudrun Burwitz appears with her father, Heinrich Himmler, in 1938. She denied the Holocaust's existence.

to the Dachau concentration camp, which was the site of Nazi medical experiments and the execution of tens of thousands of people.

Gudrun recalled the visit in her diary: "Today we went to the SS concentration camp at Dachau. We saw everything we could. We saw the gardening work. We saw the pear trees. We saw all the pictures painted by the prisoners. Marvelous.

"And afterward we had a lot to eat. It was very nice."

As the Third Reich was collapsing in May 1945, 15-year-old Gudrun and her mother fled to northern Italy, where they were arrested by American troops. Himmler was seized by Russian forces on May 20, 1945, and transferred to British custody. Three days later, he killed himself by biting on a cyanide capsule he had concealed.

Gudrun and her mother were held for four years in various detention facilities in Italy, France and Germany. She refused to believe that her father's death was a suicide and maintained that he had been killed by his British captors.

She was present at some of the war-crimes trials of her father's associates in Nuremberg, Germany.

"She did not weep, but went on hunger strikes," Norbert and Stephan Lebert wrote in "My Father's Keeper," their 2002 book about the children of Nazi leaders. "She lost weight, fell sick, and stopped developing."

After their release, mother and daughter settled in the German town of Bielefeld, where Gudrun trained as a dressmaker and bookbinder. She found it hard to hold a steady job with her family history.

In 1961, she joined the German intelligence service as a secretary under an assumed name at the agency's headquarters near Munich. She was dismissed in

1963, when West German authorities were reviewing the presence of former Nazis in the government.

In the late 1960s, she married Wulf-Dieter Burwitz, a writer who became an official in a right-wing political group, and settled in a Munich suburb. They had two children.

Gudrun Margarete Elfriede Emma Anna Himmler was born Aug. 8, 1929, in Munich. Except for a brief interview in 1959, she is not known to have spoken in public about her father or her later life.

She did, however, often wear a silver brooch given to her by her father, depicting the heads of four horses arranged in the shape of a swastika.

She was also known to be active in a group called "Stille Hilfe," or silent help, which was formed in the 1940s to help Nazi fugitives flee Germany, particularly to South America, and to support their families.

Burwitz attended underground reunions of Nazi SS officers, often held in Austria, possibly as recently as 2014.

Burwitz also provided support, through Stille Hilfe, to convicted Nazi war criminals, including Klaus Barbie, an SS officer dubbed the "Butcher of Lyon," and Anton "Beautiful Tony" Malloth, who was convicted of killing prisoners at the Theresienstadt concentration camp.

Malloth was sentenced to death in absentia by a court in the Czech Republic, but Burwitz reportedly helped arrange for him to stay at a retirement facility outside Munich on land once owned by Nazi official Rudolf Hess.

"I never talk about my work," she said in 2015 when British journalist Allan Hall confronted her at her home. "I just do what I can when I can."

"Go away," her husband said. "You are not welcome."

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ON JULY 4 ...

In 1776 the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence.

In 1802 the U.S. Military Academy opened at West Point, N.Y.

In 1826 the nation's second and third presidents, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, died.

In 1831 the fifth U.S. president, James Monroe, died in New York.

In 1980 North Michigan Avenue was jammed with

people attending the first Taste of Chicago.

In 1987 Klaus Barbie, the Gestapo chief known as the "Butcher of Lyon," was convicted in France of crimes against humanity and sentenced to life in prison.

In 1997 NASA's Pathfinder spacecraft landed on Mars, inaugurating a new era in the search for life on the Red Planet.

In 2003 Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant was arrested on suspicion of sexual assault after a woman accused him of sexual misconduct at a hotel near Vail, Colo.

(Prosecutors later dropped a criminal charge against Bryant because the woman did not want to go ahead with a trial.)

In 2004 a 20-ton slab of granite, inscribed to honor "the enduring spirit of freedom," was laid at the World Trade Center site as the cornerstone of the future Freedom Tower skyscraper.

In 2016 NASA received a radio signal from the solar-powered Juno spacecraft confirming that it was in orbit around the planet Jupiter after a trip of nearly five years and 1.8 billion miles.

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July 3	
Mega Millions	13 35 45 49 68 / 23
Mega Millions jackpot: \$256M	
Pick 3 midday	668 / 0
Pick 4 midday	5670 / 7
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Pick 3 evening	426 / 9
Pick 4 evening	7597 / 9
Lucky Day Lotto evening	
	13 23 24 37 45
July 4 Powerball: \$70M	
July 5 Lotto: \$6.5M	
WISCONSIN	
July 3	
Pick 3	435
Pick 4	3664
Badger 5	09 18 20 24 31
SuperCash	14 18 23 24 38 39

INDIANA	
July 3	
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Daily 4 midday	1080 / 1
Daily 3 evening	057 / 6
Daily 4 evening	4607 / 6
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In Memoriam



Tara Michelle Feldman
July 4, 1975 - April 10, 2010
Independence Day Daughter
(For Tara)

Your eyes represent the innocence and the brilliance of the Fourth of July
The innocence of the child in wonderment at the fireworks,
The brilliance of your personality blazing across the sky,
You are no longer limited by the earth and it plains
You are now part of the heavens.

When I see fireworks on the Fourth of July,
I will think of you.
The innocence, openness, and hopefulness of a child.
The brilliance of what was, is now, and shall in the future be.
You see, you left behind three brilliant sparks for us to marvel at (Travis, Leo, and Maya):
and they will lead us on from where you left off.
When I look at fireworks, it is their brilliance, and uniqueness that catch my attention, more so than the time spent in the air.
People will remember your beautiful smile- which has no earthly bounds.

Your presence on this planet definitely gives us hope, and lights up the darkness-like fireworks on Independence Day.

Love, Mom and Dad

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Athens, Louise G.

Louise G. Athens, nee Decoster, age 94, of Brussels, Belgium, passed away on June 30, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Andrew A. Athens; loving mother of Paul (Kellee) Athens and Jacqueline (Alex) Athens/James; devoted daughter of the late Joseph and Marie Decoster; proud Ylajia of Andrew (Lanci), Alexa, JP and Matthew; Great Grandmother of Seamus and Paul; dear sister of the late Henri (Jeanne) Decoster and fond aunt of many nieces and nephews and their families. Member of several organizations including Leadership 100 and Helleniccare. Visitation Thursday, July 5, 2018, from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 6150 N. Cicero Avenue, Chicago. Family and friends will meet Friday, July 6, 2018 at 10:30 am at Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church, 1401 Wagner Road, Glenview, IL 60025. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers; instead, donations may be made to the National Hellenic Museum, 333 S. Halsted Street, Chicago, IL 60661 or St. Iakovos Retreat Center, 920 224th Ave, Kansasville, WI 53139. Arrangements by John G. Adinamis Funeral Directors, Ltd. For information 773-736-3833.

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Baniewicz, Edward S.

Edward S. Baniewicz, 91; beloved husband of Theresa (nee Michon) Baniewicz; loving father of David Baniewicz; dear brother of the late Eugene (Bernice) Baniewicz; preceded in death by loving parents Julius Baniewicz & Helen Polaski; cherished uncle of many. Visitation 8:45 am until time of Mass, 9:45 am on Friday, July 6 at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 S. Wolf Rd., Western Springs. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Memorial donations in Ed's name to a charity of your choice are appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, Countryside. Funeral info: (708) 352-6500 or hjfurnerals.com

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Barr, Hazel J.

Hazel Barr, a longtime resident of Hinsdale, died on June 29, at the age of 89. Beloved wife of Warren N. Barr, II. Loving mother of Warren N. Barr III, Karen Hjordis Smith, and Robert (Holly) Barr. Fond grandmother of Ashley Barr, Margaret Louise Barr, Justin Nicholas (Amanda) Smith, Alexander Ryland Smith, and Chelsea Hjordis Smith. She is

preceded in death by one sister, Marjorie. Known by her friends as "Heavenly Hazel of Hinsdale," Hazel was raised in Oak Park, attended boarding school and the School of Communications at Northwestern University. A slender, elegant woman with a small town smile, Hazel traveled to New York City after college, where she became involved in theater and runway modeling. Hazel married businessman Warren Barr and returned to Chicago, eventually making their home in Hinsdale to raise their children. A 50-year member of The Service Club of Chicago, Hazel chaired benefits and organized fashion shows for decades. Her philanthropic efforts were far-reaching and she left her mark on many lives. Memorials appreciated to The Service Club of Chicago, PO Box 10165, Chicago, IL 60610. Private family services will be held. Arrangements by **Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale**. For information: 630-703-9131 or www.powellfuneral-directors.com

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Barry, Kay Gunn

Kay Gunn Barry, age 95, of Glenview, IL. Beloved wife of the late George J. Barry; loving mother of Mary Kay (Drew) Lightner, Maureen (Mark) Wilzbach, James (Patricia), George (Pam Cox), and the late Thomas (the late Mary Ann) Barry; fond grandmother of 18 and proud great grandmother of many. Visitation Friday, July 6, 2018, 9:15 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 10:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL 60025. Interment Friday, July 6, 2018, 1:30 p.m. at Mount Olivet Cemetery, 1827 North Washington Street, Janesville, WI, 53548. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund c/o OLPH Church. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Demma, Carl N.

Carl N. Demma, U.S. Army Veteran, beloved husband of Dorothy (nee Walt). Loving father of John (Susan), and Joe (Jeanette); dear grandfather of Courtney, John, Sarah, Jessica and Jason; dearest brother of Teresa (the late Frank) Vieni and the late Antoinette (Louis) Arcuri; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews; Carl was the owner of Demmas Lounge in

Oak Lawn and a member of the Knights of Columbus #3582 and Italian American Sports Hall of Fame. Visitation Thursday 3-9 P.M. Funeral Friday 9:00 A.M. from

Lawn Funeral Home 7909 State Road (5500W) Burbank IL 60459 to St. Albert The Great Church, Mass 9:30 A.M. Entombment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Funeral info: 708-636-2320

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Dixon, Sr., Jesse Alexander

Services for Mr. Jesse Alexander Dixon, Sr. Saturday, July 7, 2018 9 a.m. Visitation Service 10 a.m. Bethel A.M.E Church 1744 Darrow Avenue Evanston, IL 60201.

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Geisenheimer, Edwin D.

Edwin D. Geisenheimer, age 94, WW II Staff Sgt. US Army, Bronze Star recipient. Beloved husband for 67 years of Ruth nee Levin. Loving father of Susan (Douglass) Hewitt, Judith Salstone and the late Cathy (Mark) Stang. Cherished grandfather of Rebecca and Eric Stang, Benjamin and Jessica Hewitt, Rachel and Nathan Salstone, Samantha (David Kohn) Salstone Kohn. Dear brother of the late Hermine Biller. Funeral Thursday 12:30PM at Chicago Sinai Congregation, 15 W. Delaware Place, Chicago, IL 60610.

Private family interment at Shalom will take place earlier in the day. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Brain Tumor Research. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Keller, Kevin

Kevin S. Keller, 69, of Livermore, California, passed away on Tuesday, June 26, 2018, from frontotemporal dementia. Born on August 25, 1948, in Chicago, Illinois, to the late Edwin Keller and Geraldine (O'Shea) Keller, Kevin never stopped relishing his role first as the smart-aleck younger brother to Karren and then later as uncle to Kim. He grew up surrounded by his O'Shea family cousins, partaking in the occasional shenanigans, and was both a guitarist and vocalist for the cousin-led band, The Lonely Souls. A 1966 graduate of Holy Cross in River Grove, Illinois, Kevin served as a member of the Air Force in Europe and Vietnam. Upon his return to Chicago, he joined his sister Karren in working at Bankers Life. There, thanks to a fortuitous sales account rep assignment, he met Diane. After a courtship that involved bowling and racquetball dates, national park camping trips, and a bit of disco dancing prowess, Kevin and Diane married on October 23, 1982. Together, they ventured west to California, raising two daughters, Colleen and Erin, in the Bay Area. Kevin taught his daughters the importance of hard work and self-reliance, an appreciation for milkshakes (and their distinction from malts), and the art of making a (likeable) smartass quip. Among the many things Kevin was to many different people, he will be remembered for his meticulous dedication to his work and hobbies that ranged from golf to skiing to the production of Kellenger merlot, his love of cowboy boots and greater love for muscle cars, vintage and new, most especially Corvettes, his legendary sweet tooth, and his mischievous sense of humor. Kevin is survived by his wife of thirty-five years, Diane (Ries) Keller; daughters, Colleen Keller and Erin Keller; sister, Karren (Keller) Leonard; niece, Kimberly (Leonard) Walters, her husband, Nigel Walters and their daughter, Shea Walters; and extended family. Our family would like to extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to the family, friends, caretakers, and hospice that have supported both Kevin and the family throughout this difficult reckoning with frontotemporal dementia. A celebration of Kevin's life will be held in Livermore, California. For those who wish to donate in Kevin's name, we suggest UCSF's Center for Memory and Aging. As one of the top frontotemporal dementia research centers in the world, our family has personally benefited from their clinical research, medical advice, and constant support: <https://memory.ucsf.edu/support-us>.

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Marder, Evelyn Sarah

Evelyn Sarah Marder, nee Kominsky, age 101, beloved wife of the late David; loving mother of Robert (Cindy) Marder and the late Hope (late Tom) Lazar; adored Nana of Eric (Julie) and Matthew (Holly) Marder and the late Jennifer Lazar; proud great grandmother of Mason, Jady, Dylan and Ryan Marder; devoted daughter of the late Nathan and the late Minnie Kominsky; cherished sister of the late Alex (late Nettie) Kominsky, late Ruben (late Betty) Konlon, late Jacob (late Marilyn) Kay, late Morris (late Sophie) Kominsky, late Lillian (late Sam) Bentkover and late Helen (late Maurice) Stock; treasured aunt, cousin and friend to many. Evelyn was lovingly cared for by Sandra Oglesby. Service Thursday, 12 Noon at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Waldheim Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Congregation Beth Shalom, www.bethshalomnb.org, Myra Rubenstein Weis Women's Health Resource Center, NorthShore University HealthSystem, www.northshore.org/mrw, or Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, www.jdrf.org. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Pinello, Frances

Frances Pinello, age 104, Beloved daughter of the late Joseph and Maria (Petrancosta). Dear sister of the late Philip (Mary), Tina, Vincent (Antoinette), Rosalie and Mary (Peter) Sciamie. Loving Aunt of Joseph (Lauren), Peter (Barbra) Sciamie, Rosalie (Gary) Walo and Rita. Adoring Aunt of six Great-nephews and Great-Great Aunt of two. In lieu of flowers donations to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls 1140 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60607 appreciated. Visitation Thursday 3PM to 9PM and Funeral Services Friday 9:30 AM from **TOHLE FUNERAL HOME**, 4325 W. Lawrence Ave. (at Lowell) to ST. EDWARD CHURCH 4350 W. Sunnyside, Mass 10:00 AM. Info 773-685-4400 or tohlefuneralhome.com
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Riemer, Jr., William J.

William J. Riemer, Jr., age 86; fond brother of Rev. Robert Riemer, S.V.D., Joan (the late Martin Elser) Riemer-Elser, James (the late Nancy) Riemer, Mary (the late Thomas Gibbons and the late Joseph Jaros, Jr.) Gibbons, Martha (the late James) Carter and Thomas (the late Mary) Riemer; fond uncle of many. Visitation Friday 3:00PM to 8:00PM. Funeral Saturday 9:15AM from **Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home**, 4343 Main St. (1 blk. So. of Ogden Ave.) Downers Grove to St. Mary of Gostyn Church. Mass 10:00AM. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. 630/968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com



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Ritchie, William D.

William D Ritchie age 90 of Des Plaines, WWII and Korean War Veteran USMC beloved father of Jacqueline Hoss, Deborah (Richard) Aquino, Patricia Thomas, Colleen Ritchie, Susan Ryder and the late William D Ritchie Jr.; loving grandfather of 13 and great grandfather of 9. Visitation Sunday July 8, from 3-8 pm at Oehler Funeral Home, 2099 Miner St (corner of Northwest Hwy/Rt14 and Rand Rd) Des Plaines. Funeral service Monday July 9, 11:00 am at the funeral home. Entombment All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial may be made to any of the following: Journey Care Hospice, American Cancer Society, or Alzheimers Assoc. For information please call 847-824-5155 or visit www.oehlerfuneralhome.com
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Schurfranz, Vivian

Vivian Schurfranz, 92, passed away peacefully on July 1, 2018 in Evanston. Born on July 12, 1925 in Mason City, Iowa, "Viv" was admired by the students and countless readers she influenced through her work as a teacher and author. Vivian dedicated her life to education, chairing the Department of History at Evanston Township High School. Her career as a teacher spanned four decades in Arkansas and Illinois. Vivian's vision was to instill a knowledge of history through the joy of reading. As an author, her novels "Roman Hostage" and "A Message for General Washington" engaged and educated thousands of young readers. In all, Vivian wrote more than 25 novels, including seven of the popular "Boxcar Children" books.

Vivian is survived by her close friends, the Miller family, the Greene family, Marge Nier and Mary Emerson. We will miss her kind, gentle presence while knowing generations will be influenced by her work. Private services have been held. Arrangements by **Wm. H. Scott Funeral Home**, 847-251-8200.
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Sieja, L.J. 'Cook'

L.J. "Cook" Sieja, of Naperville, IL, passed away on Saturday, June 30, 2018. Visitation Friday, July 6, 3:00-8:00 PM at the **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville. Mass of Christian Burial Saturday, July 7, 10:00 AM at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 1450 Green Trails Drive, Naperville. Interment SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Naperville. For information please call 630/355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com for a complete obituary.



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Sochacki, Rosemarie

Rosemarie Sochacki, age 88, of Schererville, IN passed away on Monday, July 2, 2018. She is survived by her husband, Edward F. Sochacki; sons, Edward J. (late Darlene) Sochacki and Don (Marian) Sochacki; grandchildren, Derek, Randy, Vince, Steve and Ricki; thirteen great-grandchildren; two great great-grandchildren; sister, Ruth; and several nieces, nephews and friends. Rosemarie was preceded in death by her son, Rick E. Sochacki; and sisters, Alice and Vicki; and many, many friends.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, July 6, 2018 DIRECTLY at St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church 500 Northgate Dr. Dyer, IN with a 10:00 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial offered by Reverend Charles Niblick. Interment will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery Calumet City, IL. Visitation will be on Thursday, July 5, 2018 at KISH FUNERAL HOME 10000 Calumet Ave. Munster, IN from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and again on Friday, at the church, from 9:30 a.m. until the 10:00 a.m. Mass. www.kishfuneralhome.net

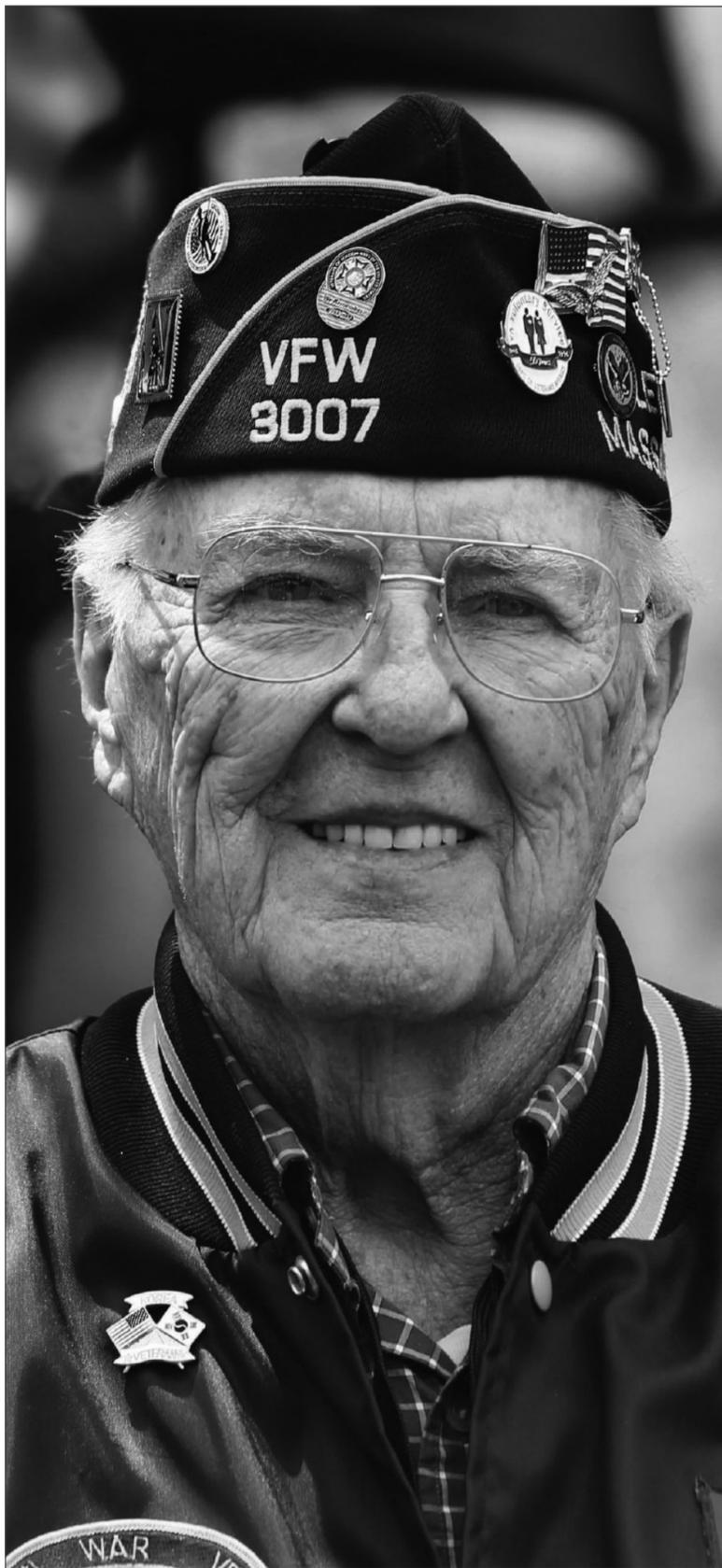
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Weber, Michel Jon

Age 38. Cherished son of Donald and Maria (nee Lopez). Loving brother of David Weber, Mark (Emma) Weber, and Kristen Weber. Adored uncle of Lance and Alison. Cherished grandson of Maria M. Lopez. Dear nephew and cousin of many. Visitation Thursday 3-9 p.m. Funeral Friday 9:15 a.m. from the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL to St. Francis of Assisi Church, Mass 10:00 a.m. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations to Palos United Methodist-Food Depository, 12101 S. Harlem, Palos Heights, IL 60463, <http://www.palosumchurch.net/food-pantry> would be appreciated. Please make check payable to Palos Methodist Church with food pantry in the memo section. www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878

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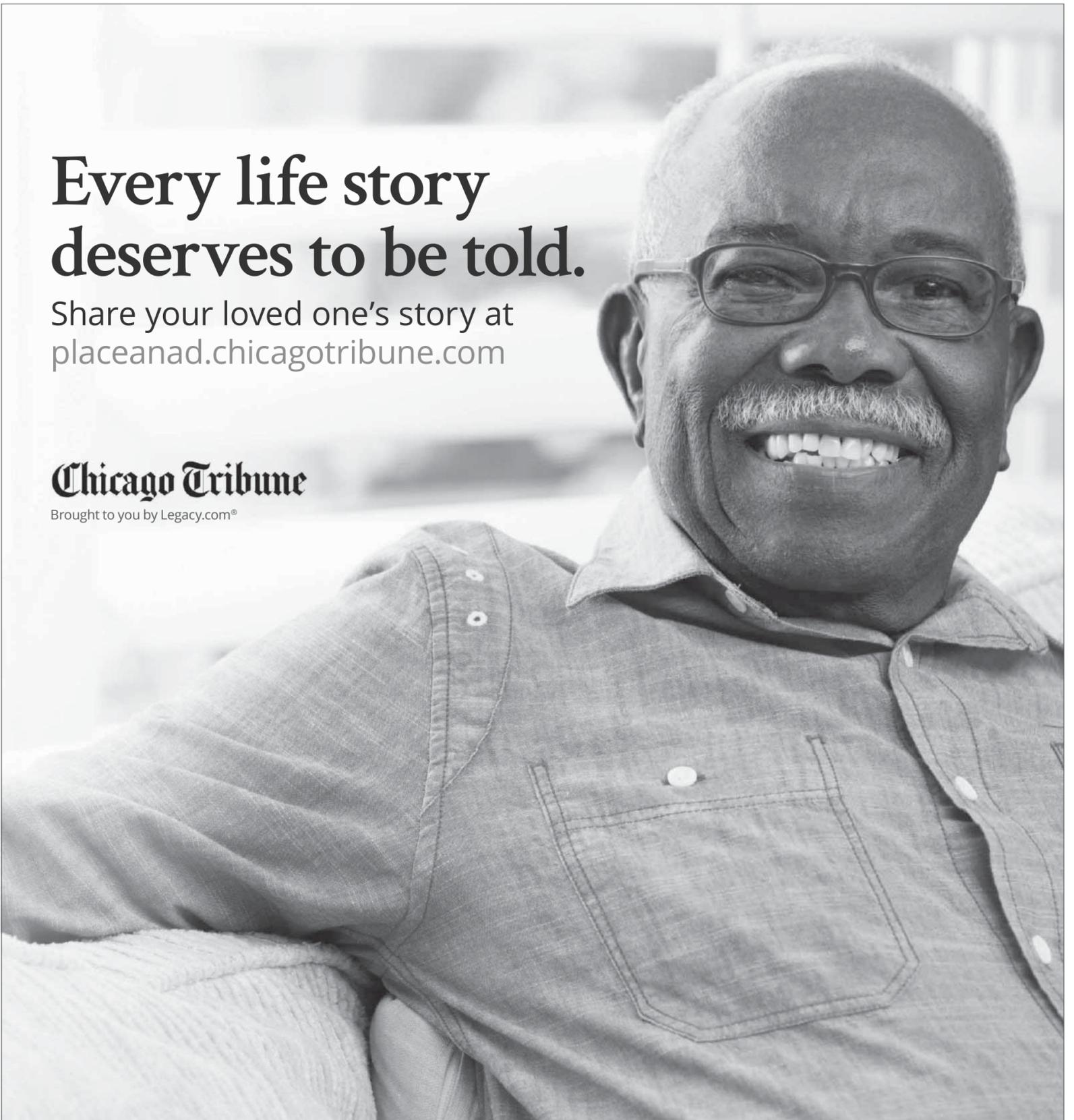


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An off season's offseason: Hawks need urgent care



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

Stan Bowman is the minivan moseying along in the left lane of the expressway, moving forward but slower than he thinks, getting passed as everyone wonders why he's not in a bigger hurry.

Honk if you wish the Blackhawks would make a big move already.

I planned to address the Hawks' free-agency approach Sunday, but a family reunion interfered before LeBron James signed with the Lakers, and then a really good episode of "America's Got Talent" distracted me. On Monday, a big lunch date and a workout got in the way. As a result, I became somewhat oblivious to any urgency surrounding the Hawks' offseason moves — kind of like Bowman seems from the outside looking in.

So here we are, days into NHL free agency and weeks after the league's draft, and the Hawks have yet to do anything that makes you want to change your ring tone back to "Chelsea Dagger." The Hawks have responded to missing the playoffs for the first time in a decade with complacency typically reserved for champions still picking confetti out of their hair.

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BULLS

Stack Umlauf to serve as summer-league assistant

Front-office exec will work bench for Bulls in Vegas

By K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune



Stack Umlauf

At almost any opportunity, Jerry Krause would call Karen Stack Umlauf one of his most indispensable hires.

In one of his first moves as Bulls general manager, Krause shifted the former Northwestern stand-out from the marketing department to basketball operations in 1985. The two formed an unlikely-but potent pair over the years as Stack Umlauf settled into her

longtime role as senior director of basketball administration.

Krause, who died last year, has to be smiling somewhere with Tuesday's news.

The Bulls announced Stack Umlauf will serve as coach Randy Brown's associate coach in the NBA Summer League.

The team joins the likes of pioneering franchises such as the Spurs, who named Becky Hammon an assistant coach in 2014, and the Kings, who hired Nancy Lieberman in the same role in 2017.

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A welcome stretch of afternoon games recalls an earlier era, even as the Cubs keep pushing to play more at night

Strange but true: The Cubs find themselves in the middle of a monthlong stretch with no night games scheduled at Wrigley Field.

The last night game at Wrigley was the 2-1, 10-inning win over the Dodgers in the second game of a day-night doubleheader on June 19. The next one is scheduled for July 19 against the Cardinals, a made-for-ESPN game that unfairly shortens both teams' All-Star breaks.

By the time this homestand ends Sunday against the Reds, the Cubs will have played eight games during the day and nine straight home day games, harking back to an era when day baseball was not only the law, it was the team's primary marketing strategy.

Now the Cubs don't have to do anything but open the gates. The best



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

marketing strategy is winning, as it should be.

Nevertheless, I'm enjoying the retro homestand, and all the games have been entertaining, including Tuesday's 5-3 win over the Tigers.

Admittedly I'm in the minority, a relic from the '70s. I have nothing against night baseball, and I believe the city's prohibition against Friday night games at Wrigley needs to end. I just don't want to see the number of night games increase.

The Cubs say they'd like more night games to bring them up to the league average of 54. Manager Joe Maddon called himself a "night-game freak" Friday and repeatedly has said he'd always prefer a night game to a day game.

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CUBS STAY HOT, WIN 5TH IN A ROW

Confident Cubs post their major league-leading 25th comeback win, 5-3 over the Tigers. "We believe in everything right now," Maddon says. **Page 3**

OPENING SHOT | Steve Rosenbloom

Jon Lester was named June's NL Pitcher of the Month. He also took the early lead as July's NL Hitter of the Month. More, **Page 2**



TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLIOM

Dogging it goes unpunished

For a manager whose job is to teach his players the right way to play the game, Rick Renteria blew a chance to make that exact point.

Of course the moment involved Yoan Moncada, as many frustrating moments have this season. Leading off in Texas on Saturday, Moncada singled and moved to third on Yolmer Sanchez's double. With two on and none out, Jose Abreu bounced one into the hole. The Sox were about to get a quick run.

But no. Elvis Andrus backhanded the ball and threw out Moncada at the plate. Seriously, dude?

"When I took off I thought that the ball was passing the infield," Moncada said through an interpreter. "And when I turned back I saw that he (Andrus) had the ball, but I thought he would throw to first base and it didn't happen."

It didn't happen because Moncada made himself an easy out by not hustling home. First inning, and he looked like he couldn't be bothered to expend maximum energy to give his team an early lead?

That's some example that "Ricky's boys don't quit?"

More like Ricky's boys don't hustle.

"If you're asking me if he gave it the best effort he possibly could, no he did not," Renteria said.

OK. Fine. If you didn't think he hustled, why didn't you bench him?

Bad enough that Moncada broke an important rule, but then Renteria compounded it by leaving him in the game.

This isn't about Moncada's errors at second base. This isn't about Renteria's in-game strategy. This is about an issue that should never be an issue on a professional team, and if it is an issue, it should be dealt with swiftly and significantly.

But no. Didn't happen.

What's the message there? What's the message to a young player? What's the message to every other player? What's the message to the fans? Some guys can do what they want? Nice message.

Don't give me stuff about a postgame lecture after a 13-4 beating. I don't want to hear about Renteria keeping the clubhouse doors closed longer than usual to go back and forth with his players. It doesn't matter that the manager eventually named names. Sorry, too late. Bad teams cannot dog it. Can. Not. More so with bad, young teams.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Yoan Moncada and manager Rick Renteria both set bad examples in a loss to the Rangers.

And dogging it cannot go unpunished.

Moncada admitted he didn't go hard. Renteria admitted he didn't think his player went hard.

Going hard is the one thing players and managers can control. Moncada deserved a benching. Especially Moncada. He's one of the significant players anchoring this rebuilding plan. He has to set an example. He has to be made an example of. Renteria blew it.

From emailer David Bittinger: "Well, I finally figured out the (Chris) Sale-for-Moncada trade. The White Sox traded one strikeout machine for another."

Sox prospect Michael Kopech typed "LOVE IT" above a retweet of Red Sox prospect Jalen Williams' motto: "It's not over until I win."

Last spring, Sammy Sosa described himself to David Kaplan of NBC Sports Chicago as "a humble man. I'm not a man to have ego."

Recently, Sosa spouted to Sports Illustrated that "I passed Ernie Banks for most home runs in Chicago Cubs history. He has a statue, and I don't have nothing. So, what the (expletive)?"

Nothing says humble like whining about a statue. Sosa couldn't connect with the truth if he used a corked bat.

Vivid Seats reports that prices for the Lakers' first exhibition game went from \$61 to \$188 overnight on Sunday. Presumably that marks LeBron James' debut as Laker, but still, people, this is a practice game.

What's up, Milt Wilcox?

MEDIA

Score breaks up 'Mully & Hanley'



The Score is breaking up the "Mully & Hanley Show," its morning team for the last decade.

Brian Hanley, whose WSCR-AM 670 contract was up for renewal, is out as Mike Mulligan's 5-9 a.m. co-host at the end of the month, station sources said.

There has been no official word yet from anyone connected with The Score, which is said to be contemplating honoring Hanley and interested in using him as a weekend and fill-in host.

Poised to replace Hanley is Chicago Tribune columnist David Haugh.

Hanley has been with WSCR since its launch 26 years ago, initially as a part-timer while still a Chicago Sun-Times sports writer. He and fellow former Sun-Timesman Mulligan initially worked middays together in 2005, taking over morning drive time for Mike North in July 2008.

"Mike and I have been doing this for three years and I think we've developed a nice chemistry," Hanley said at the time. "He's good with a joke and a story and well-read. I learn something from him every day. Hopefully he can say the same about me, and I hope the listeners can say that about us."

Haugh has been the primary fill-in host on "Mully & Hanley" since the demise of The Game (WGWG-LP 877), the short-lived sister station of Tribune Media's WGN-AM 720 on which he teamed with David Kaplan.

Jimmy deCastro, who became senior vice president and market manager for WSCR-AM and Entercom Communications' other Chicago radio stations late last year, pulled the plug on the nine-month Game experiment, which made use of a low-powered TV frequency to air on the FM band as well as stream online.

Even after news of his move was first reported by media blogger Robert Feder, Hanley was on the air as usual Tuesday morning. Joe Ostrowski was sitting in for Mulligan ahead of the July 4 holiday.

— Phil Rosenthal



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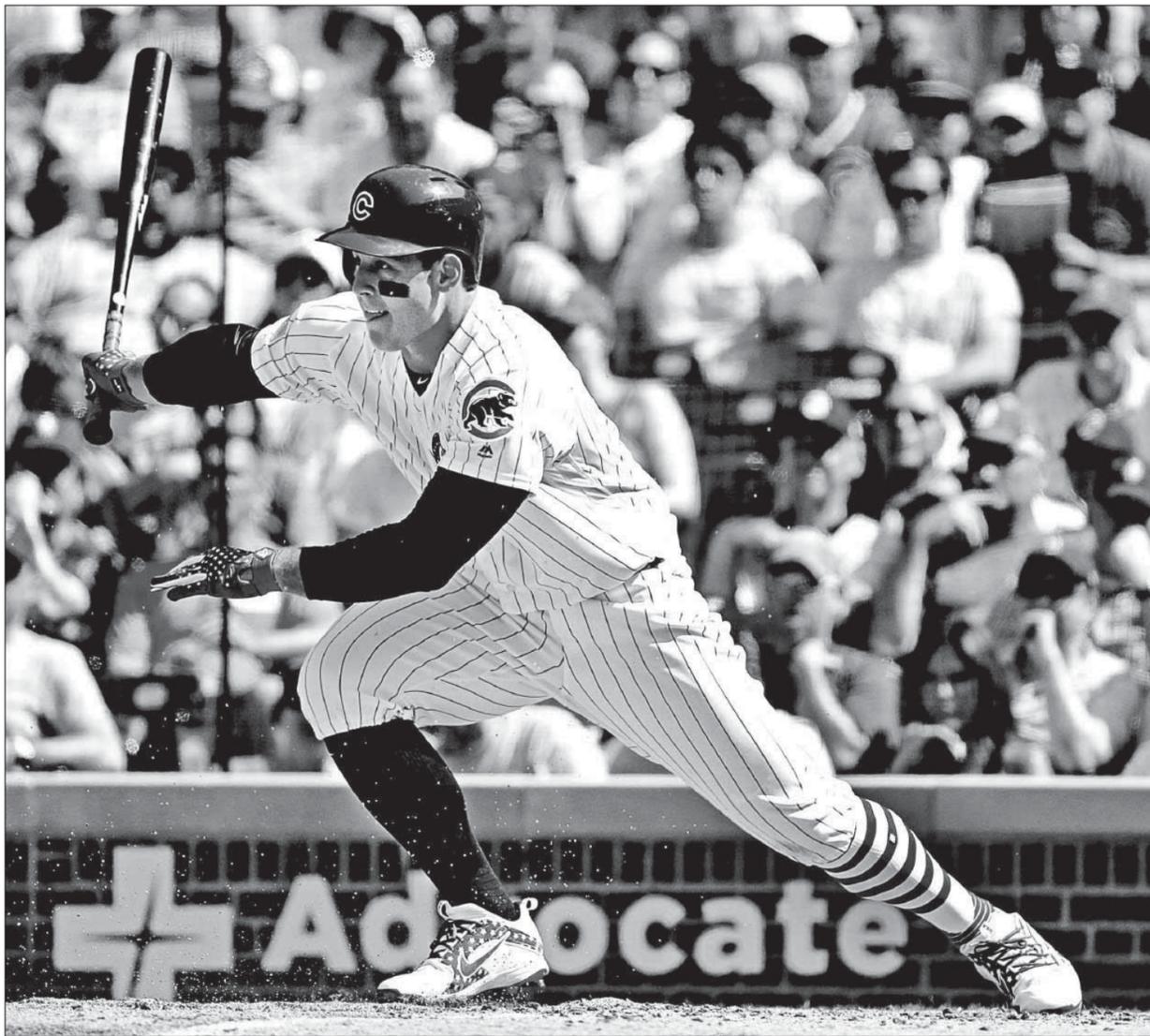


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CUBS 5, TIGERS 3



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Anthony Rizzo grounds into a run-scoring fielder's choice in the seventh inning. Rizzo also drove in a run in the fifth in the Cubs' victory Tuesday.

Still a step ahead

Even when behind, Cubs stay confident on the way to 25th comeback victory

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

The impatience Cubs hitters displayed as recently as eight days ago seems like a mere bad dream. Now, those same batters are wide awake and seemingly able to turn any ominous deficit into a victory.

"Everything is believable," manager Joe Maddon said Tuesday after the Cubs' latest rally, a 5-3 victory over the Tigers for their fifth consecutive win. "We believe in everything right now. Santa Claus is absolutely true.

"When you get to that point and get that kind of confidence rolling, you don't want to do anything to nick it."

The unselfish and fearless attack has produced a .468 batting average (31-for-68) with runners in scoring position during their streak. In Tuesday's win, they overcame a 3-0 deficit against Tigers ace Michael Fulmer for the Cubs' major-league-leading 25th comeback victory.

"You know it's just a matter of time in any ballgame for us right now," said pitcher Kyle Hendricks, the beneficiary of a three-run rally in the fifth against Fulmer that took him off the hook for a loss.

None of the Cubs' starting position players had faced Fulmer before Tuesday. His sinking fastball was clocked as fast as 96 mph, but the batters adjusted well by the third time through the order.

All four of the Cubs' hits in the fifth off Fulmer went to the opposite field, capped by Anthony Rizzo's tying single to left past a drawn-in infield.

"We've done a good job of

seeing what teams have done to us throughout the game and not allowing them to do the same thing over and over," said Jason Heyward, who poked a double down the left-field line to drive in the second run.

The Cubs haven't completely lost their power, as Kyle Schwarber added insurance in the eighth by ripping his 17th home run off Warwick Saupold.

"They threw him a lot of changeups, good pitches," Heyward observed. "It's a testament of us staying in tune and keeping it simple."

While the Cubs' offense is clicking on all cylinders, the starting pitchers not named Jon Lester continue to sputter.

Hendricks' first-inning ERA swelled to 8.47 thanks to Jeimer Candelario's run-scoring groundout and an RBI double by Niko Goodrum. After that, Hendricks was aided by exceptional defense. Heyward made a diving catch near the right-field line in

the second inning, and Rizzo turned a sacrifice bunt attempt into a double play in the fourth, shortly after the Tigers took a 3-0 lead on James McCann's RBI single.

"That just shows how good the other aspects have been," said Hendricks, referring to the bullpen, the offense and Lester. "We have one guy (Lester) who has been carrying it, and the rest of us have been up and down.

"Surprising? Maybe. But as good as all those other parts have been, once we get rolling, that shows how good we can be."

Maddon didn't budge from his pregame plan to avoid using closer Brandon Morrow, who hasn't pitched since earning a four-out save Sunday.

"It's a tightly knit group," Maddon said after Pedro Strop earned the save. "They're there to pick up everyone."

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Enjoy this stretch of daytime baseball

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"Then you can get things done during the day, meaning you could be a human being," he said. "But when you have day games, it's just a rush in the morning and afterwards you're tired, and maybe your laundry or whatever is just not available at that time of the day. So I just like it for a more normal component. That's all. I'm not here to complain or cry."

That's fine, though Cubs ownership has complained and cried about the need for more night games since the Tribune Co. owned them. This year the Cubs already have played 14 night games at Wrigley, with 15 to 17 more on tap, depending on whether ESPN and Fox pick up a game apiece for their national telecasts.

The Cubs slowly are conforming to the rest of the league under the Ricketts family's ownership, and if they start their own network after 2019 you'd better believe they'll do everything possible to get up to the league average. The Cubs will get their way eventually after reminding us again of how big a tourist destination Wrigley Field is and how they need additional revenue to remain competitive — or at least to pay Yu Darvish for the next five years.

I can't argue with that logic. I simply prefer day baseball.

It's a tradition that made the Cubs different from every other team in the 1960s, '70s and early

'80s, giving the franchise a rogue mentality at a time when cookie-cutter ballparks were becoming the norm.

No, I'm not advocating going back to the old days of 81 day games. But the rush for more night games seems like another needless cash grab, like moving the bullpens to install "premium" seats. Who's warming up? Who knows?

Next month will bring the 30th anniversary of 8-8-88, the first night game in Cubs history, and it'll conjure up plenty of flashbacks, even as the Cubs will be in Kansas City that night.

For those of us who were around to cover it, 8-8-88 remains the most hyped affair of any regular-season game in Chicago sports history. Even Ernie Banks tried to make it memorable with one of his traditional Cubs slogans.

"The Cubs will be illuminated in '88," Banks said.

Mr. Cub thought about it for a second and shook his head. "That's a little weak," he said. "I'll have to do better."

The Cubs chose Aug. 8 because the repetitive 8's would make it easy to remember, but the cosmic joke was on them. A downpour early in the game caused a postponement until the next day — the very unpoetic-sounding 8-9-88.

The death of day baseball was done for purely financial reasons, though then-President Dallas Green insisted at the time the



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A fan in the bleachers at Wrigley Field celebrates after grabbing the home run ball hit by Kyle Schwarber in the eighth inning Tuesday.

Cubs' main goal was to help them win a World Series, something that happened 28 years later. And not everyone was happy with the change, including longtime Cardinals pitcher Ricky Horton, then with the A's, who called it "blasphemy."

"I know it progresses to go on and maybe financially it'll be better for the Cubs," Horton said. "But as far as the enjoyment of the game goes for a visiting player, it will be lessened. For the visiting players, the trip to Chi-

cago was the best. You had the sun beating down on you, the smell of the green grass. Then after the game you could go out for a nice dinner like a normal person and have a night on the town. It was great."

The new normal is Maddon doing his laundry in the daytime.

You can't stop change from happening, so enjoy the day games while you can.

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CUBS NOTES

Bryant's earliest return: Friday

BY MARK GONZALES
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Kris Bryant won't be cleared to return to the Cubs at least until he takes pregame batting practice Friday.

On Tuesday, manager Joe Maddon said Bryant still felt discomfort in his sore left shoulder, which has sidelined him since June 23. Bryant was eligible to be activated from the 10-day disabled list before Tuesday game.

Bryant took batting practice and performed other baseball drills, but the Cubs decided to keep Bryant on the DL with the hope he can benefit from Thursday's day off before opening a weekend series against the Reds.

Meanwhile, reliever Carl Edwards Jr. will accompany Triple-A Iowa to Nashville. Edwards walked two and threw a wild pitch in his second minor-league rehab outing, and it was determined that his right shoulder is healthy, but he needs to regain his sharpness.

Edwards has not pitched for the Cubs since May 29.

Push for Albert: Cubs players and the team's social media department are making a last-ditch effort to provide Albert Almora Jr. with a diversion.

As voting for the All-Star Game enters its final hours, the Cubs are pushing hard for Almora to earn a spot on the National League team — although it's highly unlikely he will be selected as a starter by the fans.

"It would be a great experience if I make it, and I can share it with them as well," said Almora, who is batting .329. "As of now, I'm planning to (be in) Chicago for the All-Star break. Nothing crazy."

Almora would use the time wisely. His wife, Krystal, is expecting the couple's second child Oct. 30.

"We're both excited and nervous," Almora said.

Almora drew a walk in the third inning Tuesday, his first unintentional walk since June 2, a span of 89 plate appearances.

Case of the missing curve: Kyle Hendricks said he hasn't been throwing his curveball as much as in the past because he's falling behind in counts frequently with his fastball. "When I can lock in my fastball command, I'll have more opportunities to use my curve," Hendricks said.

Extra innings: The Cubs (48-35) are 13 games over .500 for the fifth time and won their fifth consecutive game for the third time. ... Tommy La Stella's double that started the Cubs' three-run fifth was his major-league-leading 14th pinch hit.

THE BOX SCORE

DETROIT	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mahtook lf	4	1	3	0	0	.221
Castellanos rf	4	1	1	0	0	.309
Candelario 3b	4	0	0	1	1	.238
Goodrum 2b	4	0	1	1	2	.236
Adduci 1b	4	1	1	0	0	.250
Jones cf	3	0	1	0	1	.221
McCann c	4	0	1	1	2	.226
Iglesias ss	4	0	0	0	0	.000
Fulmer	2	0	0	0	0	.000
c-Reyes ph	1	0	0	0	1	.211
Saupold p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	34	3	8	3	7	
CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Almora cf	4	1	1	1	2	.329
Heyward rf	4	2	2	1	0	.288
Zobrist 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.292
Rizzo 1b	4	0	1	2	0	.250
Baez 3b	4	0	0	0	3	.286
Schwarber lf	4	1	2	1	1	.247
Strop p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Contreras c	3	0	2	0	0	.280
Russell ss	4	0	1	0	0	.286
Hendricks p	1	0	0	0	1	.091
a-La Stella ph	1	1	1	0	0	.260
b-Bote ph	0	0	0	0	0	.241
J.Wilson p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	.200
d-Happ ph-lf	0	0	0	0	0	.257
TOTALS	33	5	11	5	7	

DETROIT IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Fulmer 6 7 3 3 3 5 4.22
Stumpf, L 1-4 ½ 2 1 1 0 1 6.00
A.Wilson ½ 0 0 0 0 1 3.90
Saupold 1 2 1 1 1 0 4.46

CUBS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Hendricks 5 7 3 3 1 2 4.27
Bass 1 0 0 0 0 0 0.68
J.Wilson, W, 3-2 1 0 0 0 2 3.09
Cishek, H, 10 1 0 0 0 2 1.85
Strop, S, 2-4 1 1 0 0 1 2.55

Inherited runners scored: A.Wilson 1-0. **Umpires:** H, Mark Wegner; 1B, Jim Reynolds; 2B, John Tumpance; 3B, Mike DiMuro. **Time:** 2:57. **A:** 38,424 (41,649).

HOW THEY SCORED

TIGERS FIRST: Mahtook singled. Castellanos singled. Mahtook to third. Candelario grounded out, scoring Mahtook. Castellanos to second. Goodrum doubled, scoring Castellanos. Adduci grounded out, Goodrum to third. Jones struck out. **Two runs. Tigers 2-0.**
TIGERS FOURTH: Adduci singled. Jones walked. Adduci to second. McCann singled, scoring Adduci. Jones to second. Iglesias popped out. Fulmer grounded out. Jones out at third. **One run. Tigers 3-0.**
CUBS FIFTH: La Stella, pinch-hitting for Heyward, doubled. Almora doubled, scoring La Stella. Heyward doubled, scoring Almora. Zobrist grounded out. Heyward to third. Rizzo singled, scoring Heyward. Baez flied out. Schwarber struck out. **Three runs. Tied 3-3.**
CUBS SEVENTH: Almora struck out. Heyward singled. Zobrist singled. Heyward to third. Rizzo reached on fielder's choice. Heyward to second. Zobrist out at second. Baez struck out. **One run. Cubs 4-3.**
CUBS EIGHTH: Schwarber homered. Contreras singled. Russell flied out. Happ, pinch-hitting for Cishek, walks. Almora reached on fielder's choice. Happ out at second. **One run. Cubs 5-3.**

BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

INTERLEAGUE TEAM PITCHER	TIME	2018 TEAM W-L ERA REC	LAST 5 STARTS W-L IP ERA
Det Liriano (L)		3-4 3.99 4-8	0-3 15.0 6.00
Cubs Quintana (L)	1:20p	6-6 4.31 10-6	0-2 15.1 5.28
Sox Covey (R)		3-3 4.82 4-5	0-2 11.1 12.71
Cin Romano (R)	6:10p	4-8 5.30 8-9	1-1 17.0 3.71
Bos Rodriguez (L)		9-3 4.11 13-3	1-2 16.0 6.19
Was Fedde (R)	10:05a	1-3 6.00 2-3	1-2 16.1 6.06
Atl Teheran (R)		6-5 4.21 10-6	2-1 16.2 3.78
NY Yankees Sabathia (L)	12:05p	5-3 3.02 8-7	1-2 20.0 2.25
TB TBD		— — —	— — —
Mia Urena (R)	12:10p	2-9 4.40 2-14	1-2 19.2 3.66
Bal Hess (R)		2-5 5.94 2-7	0-2 14.1 10.05
Phi Nola (R)	3:05p	10-2 2.48 12-5	2-0 18.0 3.50
SD Lauer (L)		3-5 5.08 3-10	0-1 17.0 2.12
Oak Manaeva (L)	3:05p	8-6 3.37 10-7	3-0 19.0 2.84
Min Berrios (R)		8-6 3.52 10-7	1-1 17.2 3.57
Mil Anderson (R)	3:10p	6-6 4.18 9-7	1-1 16.1 4.41
NYM Oswalt (R)		0-1 9.82 0-1	0-1 2.2 20.25
Tor Stroman (R)	6:07p	1-5 6.20 4-5	1-1 17.0 3.71

NATIONAL LEAGUE TEAM PITCHER	TIME	2018 TEAM W-L ERA REC	LAST 5 STARTS W-L IP ERA
Pit Musgrove (R)		3-3 3.79 3-4	1-2 15.1 6.46
LAD Hill (L)	7:10p	1-3 4.68 3-6	0-1 17.2 2.55
SF Suarez (L)		3-4 4.18 5-8	1-0 18.0 2.00
Col Anderson (L)	7:10p	5-3 4.23 8-9	1-2 19.1 3.26
StL Mikolas (R)		8-3 2.61 10-6	1-1 18.0 3.50
Ari Corbin (L)	9:10p	6-3 3.06 9-8	0-1 19.0 2.84

AMERICAN LEAGUE TEAM PITCHER	TIME	2018 TEAM W-L ERA REC	LAST 5 STARTS W-L IP ERA
LA TBD		— — —	— — —
Sea Leake (R)	4:10p	8-4 4.01 13-4	1-1 21.0 3.00
Hou McCullers Jr. (R)		9-3 3.55 12-5	1-0 19.0 2.37
Tex Minor (L)	6:05p	6-4 4.64 8-7	2-0 20.0 1.35
Cle Bauer (R)		7-6 2.45 9-8	2-1 20.0 1.35
KC Kennedy (R)	7:15p	1-8 5.11 3-14	0-2 18.0 5.00

Team recs: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. **Vs. Opp:** Pitcher's record versus this opponent, 2018 statistics.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS	2018 TEAM W-L ERA REC	LAST 5 STARTS W-L IP ERA
CUBS 5, Detroit 3		
White Sox 12, CINCINNATI 8 (12)		
MILWAUKEE 2, Minnesota 0		
Boston 11, WASHINGTON 3		
TORONTO 8, N.Y. Mets 6		
COLORADO 5, San Francisco 1		
N.Y. YANKEES 8, Atlanta 5		
PHILADELPHIA 3, Baltimore 1		
Houston 5, TEXAS 3		
Cleveland 6, KANSAS CITY 4		
OAKLAND 6, San Diego 2		
ARIZONA 4, St. Louis 2		
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late		
Pittsburgh at L.A. Dodgers, late		

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE	2018 TEAM W-L ERA REC	LAST 5 STARTS W-L IP ERA
White Sox at Houston, 7:10		
Miami at Washington, 6:05		
Texas at Detroit, 6:10		
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 7:10		
Baltimore at Minnesota, 7:10		
San Diego at Arizona, 8:40		

NL LEADERS	TEAM	G	AB	R	H	BA
BATTING						
Gennett, CIN	81	307	49	103	336	
Almora, CHI	77	242	44	80	331	
Markakis, ATL	83	277	51	106	324	
Ramirez, LA	81	282	39	84	323	
Br Crawford, SF	81	289	38	90	311	
Freeman, ATL	83	322	53	100	311	
Arenado, COL	79	305	55	93	310	
Suarez, CIN	68	255	39	78	306	
Arzoo, BAL	56	211	35	86	304	
Dickerson, PIT	77	285	35	85	298	

HOME RUNS	PLAYER	TEAMS	DOUBLES	PLAYER	TEAMS
Arenado, COL	21	Marks, ATL	27	Martinez, BOS	25
Harper, WAS	5	Arbuckle, ATL	27	Ramirez, CLE	24
Aguilar, MIL	19	Triles, WAS	23	Trotter, HOU	22
Gidschmidt, ARI	18	KMarte, ARI	8	Judge, NY	23
Muncy, LA	18	CTaylor, LA	7	Lindor, CLE	23
Albies, ATL	17	STOLEN BASES		Sanchez, CHI	8
Lindinger, LA	17	Lindor, WAS	23	Troust, LA	66
Desmond, COL	17	Inciarte, ATL	21	Springer, HOU	65
RUNS				Segura, SEA	59
Albies, ATL	65	PITCHING		Severino, NY	13-2
Arzoo, COL	61	Flynn, WAS	11-2	Escobar, MIN	12-4
Gidschmidt, ARI	57	Nolan, PHI	10-2	Haniger, SEA	62
Hernandez, PHI	57	ERA		Machado, BAL	59
RBI				Schwarzenegger, NY	19.8
Baez, CHI	61	deGrom, NY	1.85	VerHurler, HOU	2.12
Suarez, CIN	61	Flynn, WAS	1.22	Altuve, HOU	1.14
Arenado, COL	60	Lester, CHI	2.25	Segura, SEA	1.09
Story, COL	59	Stripling, LA	2.27	Saltalamonte, MIL	1.64
Freeman, ATL	56	STRIKEOUTS		Salto, HOU	151
Devers, BOS	56	Chick, WAS	174	Martinez, BOS	109
Rizzo, CHI	56	Corbin, AB	134	Machado, BAL	99
HITS				Greinke, HOU	94
Markakis, ATL	106	deGrom, NY	134	Lowrie, OAK	95
Gennett, CIN	103	Greinke, HOU	108		
Freeman, ATL	100	through Monday			

RED SOX 11, NATIONALS 4	BLUE JAYS 8, METS 6
BOSTON AB R H BI SO AVG	NEW YORK AB R H BI SO AVG
Betts cf 4 1 1 0 0 .336	Nimmo cf 4 1 1 0 2 .264
Berardino lf 5 2 0 0 1 .325	Bautista rf 2 1 0 0 1 .279
Martinez rf 5 2 2 4 1 0 .336	Cabrera 2b 1 2 1 2 1 .281
Moreland 1b 1 1 1 0 0 .288	1-Reyes pr 0 0 0 0 0 .179
Pearce lb 4 1 2 1 0 .307	Conforto lf 5 0 1 1 2 .222
Bogaerts ss 3 1 0 0 0 .276	Frazier 3b 4 0 0 0 0 .259
Devers 3b 3 1 2 0 1 .342	Smith 3b 4 0 0 0 0 .240
Nunez 2b 4 1 2 3 0 .254	Flores dh 4 1 2 0 0 .240
Leon c 3 0 0 0 0 .248	Mesoraco c 3 1 1 2 2 .225
Johnson p 2 1 1 0 0 .250	Mascherano c 1 0 0 0 0 .229
Hambree (26), off Garcia; Severino (1), off	Rodriguez ss 3 1 1 0 0 .241
Hembree; Goodwin (3), off Cuevas; RBIs: Martinez (4) (7), Bogaerts (3) (47), Nunez (2), Pearce (7), Reynolds (13), Severino (12), Roark (4), Goodwin (12), CS: Taylor (5).	TOTALS 33 6 8 6 9
Runners left in scoring position: Johnson (1), Swihart (1), Murphy (2), Diffo. RISP: Boston 5, Washington 3 for 13. GIDP: Devers, Nunez 2.	TORONTO AB R H BI SO AVG
WASHINGTON AB R H BI SO AVG	Granderson dh 4 1 2 1 0 .254
Turner ss 5 0 2 0 0 1 .272	Hernandez lf 3 1 1 0 1 .261
Soto lf 5 0 1 0 1 .308	Solarte 3b 4 1 1 3 1 .250
Rendon 3b 5 0 1 0 0 .289	Smoak 1b 3 0 1 0 0 .232
Harper rf 3 1 1 0 2 .218	Phillips cf 3 1 0 0 0 .231
Difo 2b 0 0 0 0 0 .149	Martin c 4 1 0 0 0 .165
Murphy 2b 4 0 0 0 0 .190	Griichuk rf 3 2 1 0 2 .210
Reynolds 1b 4 1 2 1 1 .255	Gurriel Jr. ss 4 1 1 3 0 .225
Taylor cf 4 0 2 0 1 .242	Travis 2b 2 1 1 0 0 .230
Severino c 3 0 1 0 0 .165	TOTALS 38 8 7 7 5
Roark p 3 0 1 1 1 .181	New York 20 8 10 0 — 6 8 1
Goodwin rf 1 1 1 1 0 .165	Toronto 000 010 52x — 8 7 0
TOTALS 38 4 12 4 7	

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a-struck out for Workman in the 8th. **LOB:** Boston 3, Washington 9. **2B:** Nunez (8), off Roark; Bogaerts (13), off Roark; Martinez (26), off Garcia; Severino (1), off Hembree; Goodwin (3), off Cuevas; RBIs: Martinez (4) (7), Bogaerts (3) (47), Nunez (2), Pearce (7), Reynolds (13), Severino (12), Roark (4), Goodwin (12), CS: Taylor (5). **Runners left in scoring position:** Johnson (1), Swihart (1), Murphy (2), Diffo. **RISP:** Boston 5, Washington 3 for 13. **GIDP:** Devers, Nunez 2.

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Johnson	4%	8	2	2	2	4	2.43
Hembree	1%	2	1	0	4	0	3.72
Workman	W-1-0	1	0	0	1	0	0.450
Cuevas	2	1	1	0	0	0	4.50

WASHINGTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Roark, L 3-10	7	10	9	2	4	4.60	
Collins	1	1	0	0	2	2.77	
Grace	1	2	1	0	0	3.86	

Inherited runners-scored: Hembree 2-0. **WP:** Roark; **Umpires:** H, Vic Carapazza; J.B. Jordan Baker; 2B, Jeremy Rehak; 3B, Jerry Layne. **Time:** 2:55. A: 42,531 (41,313).

ATHLETICS 6, PADRES 2	BRAVES 5, YANKEES 3 (11)
SAN DIEGO AB R H BI SO AVG	ATLANTA AB R H BI SO AVG
Jankowski rf 5 1 1 0 1 .288	Inciarte cf 5 0 1 0 1 .246
Margot cf 4 3 0 0 1 .236	Albies 2b 4 0 0 0 1 .272
Hosmer 1b 4 0 0 0 1 .270	Arbuckle 1b 4 0 0 0 1 .211
Myers lf 4 0 0 0 1 .226	Ozuna lf 5 1 2 0 0 .324
Villanueva 3b 4 0 0 0 1 .275	Suzuki c 5 1 2 1 1 .290
Spangenberg 2b 3 0 2 0 1 .240	1-Santana pr 0 1 0 0 0 .200
Pirela dh 3 0 0 0 0 .263	Flores dh 5 0 0 0 0 .250
Galvis ss 3 0 0 0 0 .232	Acuna lf 5 1 2 3 0 .274
Hedges c 3 0 0 0 0 .204	Culberson rf 5 0 0 0 3 .267
a-Asuaje ph 1 0 1 0 0 .204	Camargo 3b 5 1 2 1 0 .258
TOTALS 34 2 9 2 9	Swanson ss 5 0 0 0 0 .246
OAKLAND AB R H BI SO AVG	TOTAL 42 5 9 10
Semien ss 3 1 1 0 0 .252	NEW YORK AB R H BI SO AVG
Piscotty rf 3 1 0 0 0 .249	Gardner lf 4 0 0 0 1 .251
Lowrie 2b 3 1 2 3 0 .293	Ramirez ss 5 0 1 1 1 .256
Davis dh 3 0 0 0 0 .238	Gregorius ss 5 0 1 1 1 .256
Olson 1b 3 0 0 0 0 .236	Stanton dh 5 0 1 0 3 .265
Canha cf 3 1 1 1 0 .247	Hicks cf 5 0 2 0 0 .261
Chapman 3b 3 0 0 0 0 .256	Andriano 3b 5 0 0 0 0 .261
Lucroy c 2 2 2 1 1 .250	Bird lb 4 0 0 1 0 .198
Pinder lf 2 2 2 1 0 .250	Higashioka c 3 0 0 0 1 .100
TOTALS 27 6 8 6 2	a-Walker ph 1 0 0 0 1 .188
San Diego 000 020 000 — 2 9 0	Romine c 4 0 0 0 0 .271
Oakland 000 005 10x — 6 8 0	Lores 2b 4 0 2 3 0 .296
	TOTALS 40 3 10 2 12

a-singled for Hedges in the 9th. **LOB:** San Diego (8), Oakland 2. **RBIs:** Myers (6), Lowrie (2), HR: Canha (11), off Richard; Pinder (8), off Cimber. **2B:** Jankowski (37), Myers (9), Lowrie (3), Davis (56), Canha (32), Pinder (18), SB: Jankowski (13), CS: Margot (7). **Runners left in scoring position:** San Diego 4 (Myers 3, Villanueva), **RISP:** San Diego 2 for 9; Oakland 2 for 3. **Runners moved up:** Hosmer, **LIDP:** Pirela. **GIDP:** Piscotty (2), Canha, **DP:** San Diego 5 (Villanueva, Spangenberg, Hosmer), (Villanueva, Galvis, Hosmer), (Villanueva, Hosmer), (Spangenberg, Hosmer); Oakland 1 (Olson).

SAN DIEGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Richard, L 7-8	6	6	5	5	2	4.46	
Cimber	1	1	1	0	0	3.63	
Brewer	1	0	0	0	0	0.000	

OAKLAND	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bassitt	4%	7	2	2	3	3.00	
Pagan, W 2-0	1/4	1	0	0	1	2.75	
Buchter, H 7	1	0	0	0	1	2.57	
Trivino	1	0	0	0	1	1.51	
Treinen	1	0	0	0	1	0.86	

Inherited runners-scored: Pagan 1-0. **WP:** Bassitt; **Umpires:** H, Tim Timmons; 1B, Rob Drake; 2B, Chad Whittson; 3B, Mike Winters. **Time:** 2:39. A: 29,925 (46,765).

Extra innings: 1B Anthony Rizzo's second RBI of the game snapped a tie in the seventh inning and the Cubs rebounded from a three-run deficit to edge the Tigers 5-3. ... SS Xander Bogaerts hit a three-run homer during a six-run fifth inning, OF J.D. Martinez and 2B Eduardo Nunez also went deep, and the Red Sox beat the Nationals 11-4. Martinez leads the majors with 26 homers and 71 RBIs. ... Rangers DH Shin-Soo Choo walked twice and had two singles in a 5-3 loss to the Astros, extending his on-base streak to a majors-leading 43 games.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Boston	58	29	.667	—	7-3	W-2	28-12	30-17
New York	55	28	.663	1	5-5	W-1	32-13	23-15
Tampa Bay*	42	42	.500	14½	8-2	L-1	23-17	19-25
Toronto	40	45	.471	17	6-4	W-1	23-22	17-23
Baltimore	24	60	.286	32½	2-8	L-1	12-29	12-31

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	47	37	.560	—	6-4	W-3	27-13	20-24
Detroit	38	49	.437	10½	2-8	L-1	23-21	15-28

WHITE SOX 12, REDS 8 (12)

WHITE SOX NOTES

Garcia easing back in

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

CINCINNATI — Avisaíl García still feels some tightness in his right hamstring since he returned from the disabled list June 22, and the White Sox have asked him to exercise caution in the field and on the bases.

"We've spoken over the past couple of days, and I need him to ... basically limit his explosiveness out of the box or in certain situations on the bases so he can maintain himself in the lineup," manager Rick Renteria said. "Running isn't the problem; it's how he charges out of the batter's box or the starts and stops that happen when he's on base during a teammate's at-bat. All I ask him to do is pull back on the reins a little bit."

Since coming off the DL, García also has been icing his leg, getting stretched and staying hydrated. Trainers continue to monitor him, and Renteria said he may make adjustments during games or with lineups based on how García is feeling.

Abreu out at first: First baseman Jose Abreu did not start Tuesday night against the Reds, still nursing a bruised left ankle from Monday's 5-3 loss.

"He actually is doing good — (the) X-ray was negative," Renteria said. "He has hit the ball off that shin, (that) ankle, a couple times, so it was a manager's decision to give (him) a break even though he fought me tooth and nail to keep him in the lineup."

Abreu pinch-hit in the 11th inning Tuesday and grounded out to second.

Sticking with him: Renteria gave reliever Bruce Rondon a vote of confidence despite some recent poor outings.

Rondon got hammered for five runs in one-third of an inning Saturday against the Rangers and also endured a six-run inning June 20 in Cleveland. He had a streak of seven straight scoreless appearances from May 29 to June 15 that lowered his ERA to 3.68, but since then he has allowed at least one run in five of seven outings while his ERA has ballooned to 8.31.

"I spoke to Bruce today in detail," Renteria said. "He wants the ball, and ... I am inclined to give him an opportunity."

Madrigal in the fold? According to reports, the Sox reached agreement with their first-round pick in the June draft, No. 4 overall, Oregon State infielder Nick Madrigal, for the full slot at \$6.4 million. The Sox declined to confirm a deal.



GARY LANDERS/AP

Yohan Moncada's bases-clearing triple highlights a four-run rally by the White Sox in the 12th inning, which lifted them to a victory over the Reds on Tuesday in Cincinnati.

Late fireworks pay off for Sox

Down 4-0 early, Moncada's big hit in 12th keys win

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

CINCINNATI — Avisail García and Daniel Palka flexed some serious muscle, but Yohan Moncada had the biggest hit for the White Sox on a wild Tuesday night at Great American Ball Park.

García and Palka each hit two home runs to help the Sox rally from a five-run deficit, and Moncada's three-run triple into the right-field corner put them ahead for the first time as they beat the Reds 12-8 in 12 innings.

"It was a really tough pitch — inside and up," Moncada said. "I put the barrel on the ball and tripled. I am happy it happened."

Yolmer Sanchez added another run in the 12th with an RBI triple that was headed into the seats, but right fielder Brandon Dixon stopped it by getting a glove on it before slamming to the wall, with the ball coming loose onto the field.

Tim Anderson led off the 12th by reaching first on second baseman Scooter Gennett's fielding error, then stole second. Matt Davidson walked, then Adam Engel laid down a sacrifice bunt and reached on a fielding error to load the bases to set the stage for Moncada.

Hector Santiago struck out the side to finish the game.

Jose Abreu was out of the starting lineup with a bruised left ankle, but he pinch hit in the 11th against reliever Dylan Floro. He hit a weak grounder to second, and with little chance of beating the throw ran gingerly toward first.

Moncada singled, stole second and reached third on an error in the 11th, but García struck out swinging and Kevan Smith grounded out to end the threat.

García extended his career-high hitting streak to 13 games and went deep

back-to-back in the sixth with Palka, who had his first career multi-homer game. According to STATS, it's the first time in White Sox history the 3-4 hitters in the order have each had two or more homers in the same game.

Leury García's pinch-hit RBI single tied the game 7-7 in the eighth, and García's second homer in the ninth, a blast to left-center on a 1-0 pitch from Raisel Iglesias, sent the game into extra innings.

The Sox's rallies came after starter Lucas Giolito dug a hole. This is how his first inning went: triple, home run, walk, home run, double. Five batters into the game and already there was a conference on the mound.

He settled down and retired the next three batters, but Gennett's homer over the Reds bullpen in right field and Eugenio Suarez's blast to left had the Sox down 4-0.

It was somewhat surprising because Giolito had thrown better on the road (4.50 ERA entering Tuesday's game) than at Guaranteed Rate Field, where he has an 8.65 ERA.

The Sox first started drawing a bead on Reds starter Anthony DeSclafani in the fourth. García hit a sharp grounder that deflected off shortstop Jose Peraza's glove into left field and then Palka smoked DeSclafani's 0-2 knuckle-curve 448 feet to center to score García and pull the Sox within two runs.

But Giolito gave up Adam Duvall's three-run homer in the fifth, giving the Reds a 7-2 lead.

Giolito's night was done after five innings and 91 pitches. He allowed seven earned runs and three home runs on eight hits and three walks; he struck out three.

The Sox roared back in the sixth. García jumped on DeSclafani's 2-0 slider and deposited it in the left-field stands. Then Palka launched another shot to center.

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THE BOX SCORE

WHITE SOX	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Moncada 2b	6	1	3	3	1	.229
Sanchez 3b	6	0	1	1	2	.257
A.García rf	6	3	3	2	2	.288
Palka lf	6	2	3	2	2	.235
Smith c	6	2	2	0	0	.333
Santiago p	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Anderson ss	6	2	2	0	0	.252
Davidson 1b	4	1	1	1	1	.235
Engel cf	5	1	0	1	1	.219
Giolito p	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Tilson ph	1	0	0	0	2	.271
L.García ph	1	0	1	0	0	.275
Abreu ph	1	0	0	0	0	.268
Narváez c	1	0	0	0	0	.258
TOTALS	52	12	15	12	11	

CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Peraza ss	5	1	2	0	1	.274
Gennett 2b	6	1	1	2	2	.332
Votto 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.291
Suarez 3b	4	2	1	2	2	.305
Winker rf	3	1	2	0	0	.272
Hernandez p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Iglesias ph	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Blandino ph	1	0	0	0	1	.223
Floro p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Dixon rf	1	0	0	0	1	.219
Duvall lf	6	1	1	1	2	.205
Casali c	1	0	0	0	2	.248
Barnhart ph-c	2	0	0	0	1	.264
DeSclafani p	3	0	1	0	0	.188
Lorenzen p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Garrett r	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Schebler ph-rf	2	0	0	0	1	.281
Stephens p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Hamilton cf	5	1	1	0	1	.213
TOTALS	46	8	10	7	15	

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E: Sanchez (9), Peraza (9), Gennett (7), Suarez (2) (1). **LOB:** WHITE SOX 11, Cincinnati 8. **2B:** Davidson (14), Winker (11). **3B:** Moncada (4), Sanchez (9), Peraza (3). **HR:** Palka (8), off DeSclafani; A.García (5), off DeSclafani; Palka (9), off DeSclafani; A.García (7), off Iglesias; Gennett (14), off Giolito; Suarez (17), off Giolito; Duvall (13), off Giolito. **RBI:** Moncada 3 (38), Sanchez (38), García 2 (13), Palka 2 (27), Davidson (37), Engel (18), L.García (16), Gennett 2 (56), Suarez 2 (63), Duvall 3 (53). **SB:** Moncada (9), Anderson (18), Hamilton (16). **S:** Engel, Peraza.

WHITE SOX IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Giolito 5 8 7 7 3 3 6.93
Cedeno 1 0 0 0 0 2 0.84
Rondon 1 1 0 0 0 1 8.00
Fry 2 1 1 0 1 1 2.63
Soria 1 0 0 0 0 1 0.00
Santiago, W, 3-2 2 0 0 0 1 6 4.52

CINCINNATI IP H R ER BB SO ERA
DeSclafani 5 6 5 5 5 1 5.08
Lorenzen, H, 4 1 1/3 3 1 1 0 1 2.19
Garrett, H, 16 1/3 0 0 0 0 1 2.95
Hernandez 1 2 1 1 1 1 1.80
Iglesias 1 1 1 1 1 1 2.63
Floro 1 0 0 0 0 1 2.72
Crockett 0 0 0 0 0 0 2.45
Stephens, L, 2-1 1 1/2 2 4 0 3 3.54
Crockett pitched to 1 batter in the 11th. **Inherited runners scored:** Lorenzen 1; Garrett 1-0; Crockett 2-0; Stephen Douberly 1; Cooper; 1B, Gary Cederstrom; 2B, Sean Barber; 3B, Stu Scheurwater. **Time:** 4:36. **A:** 22,742 (42,319).

HOW THEY SCORED
REDS FIRST: Peraza tripled. Gennett homered, scoring Peraza. DeSclafani grounded out. Votto walked. Suárez homered, scoring Votto. Winker doubled. Duvall grounded out. Casali struck out swinging. **Four runs. Reds 4-0.**

WHITE SOX FOURTH: A. García singled to center. Palka homered to center, scoring A. García. Anderson singled. Davidson grounded into double play. Anderson out at second. Smith grounded out. **Two runs. Reds 4-2.**

REDS FIFTH: Votto grounded out. Suárez walked. Winker singled to center. Suárez to second. Duvall homered, scoring Suárez and Winker. Casali flied out. DeSclafani reached on error by Sánchez. Hamilton flied out. **Three runs. Reds 7-2.**

WHITE SOX SIXTH: Sánchez lined out. A. García homered. Palka homered. Smith reached on infield single. Anderson singled. Smith walked. Suárez homered, scoring Votto. Anderson to third. Engel grounded out. Winker scored. Davidson to third. Tilson grounded out. **Four runs. Reds 7-6.**

WHITE SOX EIGHTH: Smith reached on infield single. Anderson grounded out. Smith to second. Davidson walked. Engel fouled out. Smith to third. L. García hitting. L. García singled. Anderson to third. Davidson to second. Moncada struck out. **One run. Tied 7-7.**

REDS EIGHTH: Hamilton singled. Peraza sacrificed. Hamilton to second. With Gennett hitting, Gennett stole third. Davidson grounded out. Hamilton scored. Votto lined out to right. **One run. Reds 8-7.**

WHITE SOX NINTH: Sánchez struck out. A. García homered. Palka grounded out. Smith lined out. **One run. Tied 8-8.**

WHITE SOX 12TH: Anderson reached on error by Gennett. With Davidson hitting, Anderson stole second. Davidson walked. Engel sacrificed. Anderson to third. Davidson to second. Engel safe at first on throwing error by Suárez. Anderson to third on error by Suárez. Narváez lined out. Moncada tripled, scoring Anderson, Davidson and Engel. Sánchez tripled, scoring Moncada. A. García walked. Palka intentionally walked. A. García to second. Santiago grounded into double play. Palka out at second. **Four runs. White Sox 12-8.**

BULLS NOTES

Carter, Hutchison sign contracts

BY MALIKA ANDREWS
Chicago Tribune

The Bulls announced they signed 2018 draft picks Wendell Carter Jr. and Chandler Hutchison on Tuesday morning.

Assuming the Bulls offered the standard 120 percent of the rookie-scale contract, Carter will earn \$4.4 million during the 2018-19 season and \$5.2 million during his second season. Hutchison will earn \$2 million and then \$2.3 million.

Carter, 19, comes to Chicago after playing one year at Duke. He averaged 13.5 points, 9.1 rebounds and 2.1 blocks per game for the Blue Devils.

Hutchison was a four-year player at Boise State and averaged 20.0 points, 7.7 rebounds, 3.5 assists and 1.48 steals per game as a senior. Hutchison, 22, is the only player in school history to be selected in the first round of the NBA draft.

Both players will make their debut in Bulls uni-

forms at the NBA Summer League in Las Vegas on Saturday against the Cavaliers.

Summer fun: The Bulls officially released their summer-league roster Tuesday and began a minicamp at the Advocate Center.

Two-way contract holdovers Antonio Blakeney and Ryan Arcidiacono and former Loyola star Donte Ingram are the highlight names beyond Carter and Hutchison.

At the NBA draft combine in May, Ingram said playing for the Bulls would be "a dream come true."

The Simeon product sank the buzzer-beating 3-pointer in No. 11 seed Loyola's upset of No. 6 seed Miami in the first round of the NCAA tournament. The Ramblers ultimately advanced to their first Final Four since 1963.

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Stack Umlauf gets a chance to coach

Bulls, from Page 1

Lieberman has left the Kings and coaches in the Big3. And unlike Hammon, Stack Umlauf isn't scheduled to sit on the bench during regular-season games. But it's still a progressive move by the Bulls.

"I'm so excited," Stack Umlauf, 56, said in a phone interview. "It's kind of surreal. You put the idea out in the universe and then here it's happening."

Fittingly, the first seeds were planted when Stack Umlauf served as one of four speakers at Krause's memorial service. Krause is widely credited with forming the NBA's first basketball operations department, with Stack Umlauf playing a critical behind-the-scenes role.

"I was thinking about his life and a lot about our time together, and I realized that was the time I really felt connected to the basketball side of things," Stack Umlauf said. "I realized that I wanted my time with the Bulls to be more about basketball."

As she raised a family, Stack Umlauf, who also starred at Oak Forest and played professionally overseas, settled into more of an administrative role in the basketball operations office. She'll still handle some of those duties, which include basketball travel arrangements.

But with her children now entering young adulthood, she mentioned to executive vice president John Paxson shortly after Krause's service her desire to refocus her career. And Paxson, along with coach Fred Hoiberg and his staff, supported Stack Umlauf traveling to select road games last season and sit-

ting in on practices and meetings.

"It's great to get in on this level because summer league is all new players who are trying to learn the Bulls' way of doing things," Stack Umlauf said. "I'll chart whatever defensive or offensive tendencies they want and hop in and supplement them at practices."

"Where it goes from here, I don't know. I just want to learn and grow. I have so much respect for the coaching profession."

Stack Umlauf hails from an accomplished basketball family. Her father, Jim, played collegiately, as did a sister and two brothers. One of her brothers, also named Jim, played at Northwestern too before serving as Krause's longtime assistant GM. One of Stack Umlauf's nephews is Hornets big man Frank Kaminsky.

"We probably have waited too long to give her an opportunity like this," Paxson told Bulls.com.

Stack Umlauf used to chart her brother Jim's games even when she was in elementary school. Starting next week in Las Vegas, she'll be behind the Bulls bench during summer-league games.

"I felt Jerry and my dad had a hand in this opportunity," Stack Umlauf said of two of her mentors, the latter of whom died four years ago. "And I was so appreciative that John was so supportive."

"I'll definitely be in a role with the coaching staff. Maybe I'll write up some reports to supplement the scouts we already have doing that."

Krause would have loved that.

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Blackhawks could use a more urgent approach this offseason

Haugh, from Page 1

They have left the impression they believe everything will return to normal for the 2018-19 season once goalie Corey Crawford gets back in the crease, which the team insists will happen at training camp. They have reinvested faith in the familiar — Kaner and Toews, Duncs and Seebis — and resisted major changes more than you would expect a team that hasn't won a playoff series since 2015. They appear to be rebuilding on the fly, like the White Sox and Bulls tried unsuccessfully, without the transparency or obvious tanking.

Yes, Bowman signed three free agents on the first day NHL teams could: defenseman Brandon Manning, goalie Cam Ward and winger Chris Kunitz. But

with due respect to those players' respective careers, you can find those signings in the hockey glossary after the definition of underwhelming.

Signing two former Stanley Cup champions in their 30s — Ward is 34 and Kunitz turns 39 this year — suggests the Hawks are filling gaps in an effort to win now. Using the draft to stockpile the system with young, talented defensemen, such as 17-year-old first-rounder Adam Boqvist, rather than packaging picks in a trade for a veteran says the Hawks are planning for later.

Can a team successfully do both? A Hawks fan's worst fear is that Bowman has fooled himself into thinking an aging roster is closer than it really is to contending for a Cup, focusing more on reputation

than results. "The future is bright here," Bowman told reporters after the signings. "We didn't want to block out players in terms of longer-term deals."

Optimism revolves around the development of young forwards Nick Schmaltz, Alex DeBrincat and Vinnie Hinostroza, all of whom took significant steps last season. The progress of Gustav Forsling, Victor Ejdsell and Dylan Sikura also encourages the Hawks. Bowman's implication all but announces the organization's intention of locking up those six players as part of the next core on a roster full of guys hoping to enter their prime or, unfortunately, past it — which brings us back to the free-agent class.

Ward, in theory, protects the Hawks against Craw-

ford's uncertainty better than Anton Forsberg did last season as a backup goalie. It has been 12 years since Ward won the Conn Smythe Trophy as a rookie for the Hurricanes. For context of how long ago that was, Trent Yawney was the Hawks coach that 2005-06 season and Nikolai Khabibulin was their No. 1 goalie. If the Hawks need to rely on Ward as a starter for more than 25 games or so, chances are the likable veteran won't be in a position for another playoff run.

Kunitz, likewise, fits ideally into a rich hockey culture defined by winning. No other active player has four Cup titles. On the back of his hockey card, you will see Kunitz scored 35 goals for the Penguins as recently as 2013-14, but you also can't help but notice he managed no goals and one

meager assist in 17 playoff games for the Lightning last season. At \$1 million for one year, Kunitz represents a low-risk, high-character addition but hardly somebody who will alter the outlook for a season.

Manning, a sturdy 6-foot-1, 205-pounder, looks ready to ascend at 28 and addresses the biggest need area on the blue line. He offers the Hawks what hockey people like to call "sandpaper." Whether Manning fits in a top-four pairing depends largely on how well he adapts to coach Joel Quenneville's system, which is never guaranteed for skilled new defensemen. Just ask Connor Murphy or Trevor Daley, who struggled assimilating.

A potential top-four defenseman, Justin Faulk of the Hurricanes, remains

a potential trade target who would alter the perception of the offseason. Are the Hawks better today than they were the day their season ended? It's not a question Blues fans are asking after the Hawks' rival brought back veteran winger David Perron, acquired center Ryan O'Reilly from the Sabres and signed former Leafs center Tyler Bozak. The Blues won 11 more games than the Hawks but missed the playoffs by one point. That qualifies as sweeping change in St. Louis, a striking contrast to the way Bowman has embraced the status quo 300 miles north.

It's fair to wonder how far that puts the Hawks from competing for another Cup.

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NFL

Owens' big day to be old school

WR to give HOF acceptance speech at Chattanooga

Associated Press

Terrell Owens has decided to celebrate his induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame at Chattanooga, where he played college football.

The former NFL All-Pro receiver, who has said he was not attending the induction ceremony in Canton, Ohio, released a statement Tuesday saying he would give his acceptance speech at his alma mater.

"I have decided to give my Hall of Fame speech at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in McKenzie Arena on Saturday, August 4," Owens posted on Twitter. "The event, which is free and open to the public, starts at 3:17 p.m."

Owens added that he is "proud to be a Moc, and I'm honored to be able to share this experience with my family, friends, teammates and fans at the place that provided me an opportunity beyond high school and where I truly began to find myself as an athlete."

Owens, 44, was a three-sport athlete at Chattanooga, where he played football from 1992 to '95. He also played basketball and ran track for the Mocs. Owens said he "realized just how much I want to celebrate ... the best week-end of my life at a place that means so much to me."

Owens' announcement last month that he was skipping the Aug. 4 ceremony at the Pro Football Hall of Fame is unprecedented by an enshrinee.



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Maria Sharapova pauses as she gets ready to serve Tuesday in her first-round defeat to 132nd-ranked Vitalia Diatchenko. Sharapova said, "Sometimes ... you don't finish."

WIMBLEDON

Sharapova falls apart

No. 132 Diatchenko takes full advantage of 11 double-faults

BY HOWARD FENDRICH

Associated Press

LONDON — These are not the matches Maria Sharapova is supposed to lose, letting lead after lead slip away Tuesday against a qualifier ranked 132nd — and in the first round of Wimbledon, no less.

Then again, the initial 48 hours of this tournament have provided more surprising exits than anyone's accustomed to: Seven top-10 men's and women's seeds departed in the opening round, more than in any previous year in the professional era's half-century.

That includes two-time champion Petra Kvitova, who was sent home by Aliaksandra Sasnovich 6-4, 4-6, 6-0 a few hours before 2004 titlist Sharapova folded against Vitalia Diatchenko in a 6-7 (3), 7-6 (3), 6-4 loss she seemingly con-

trolled time and again before dropping the last three games.

"Sometimes," Sharapova said, "you put yourself in a better, or winning, position, and you don't finish."

A 15-month doping ban kept her out of the grass-court Grand Slam tournament in 2016, and an injury sidelined her a year ago. It looked as if it would be a pleasant, straightforward return when she went ahead by a set and a break at 5-2.

Sharapova then served for the match at 5-3, but faltered. After being pushed to a third set, Sharapova went up a break at 2-1. That edge disappeared right away. She went up another break at 4-3. That advantage, too, was given right back. Sharapova's collapse eventually ended, perhaps fittingly, with her 11th double-fault.

How unlikely was this result?

Since losing the first two Grand Slam matches of her career as a teenager, Shara-

pova was 49-1 in openers at majors, 13-0 at Wimbledon.

She's a former No. 1, now seeded 24th, who owns five Grand Slam titles.

And Diatchenko?

Repeatedly sidetracked by injuries of one sort or another and on a day when she was visited by a trainer for groin and lower back issues, the 27-year-old Russian came in 0-2 at Wimbledon and 8-25 overall in main-draw matches at all tour-level events.

"Everybody," Diatchenko said afterward, "expects me to lose the match."

But she didn't, in part because Sharapova failed to win it.

Did Sharapova get struck by a case of the jitters?

"That's part of the game, is to feel moments of tension, to feel there's something on the line," Sharapova said. "That's just human. ... I love that feeling. That's one of the reasons I play. I definitely, maybe, wasn't smart enough, didn't play the right way in the crucial moments."

IN BRIEF NBA

Howard likely on move again

Tribune news services

The Dwight Howard era with the Nets is nearly over two weeks after it began.

The Nets reportedly have reached a buyout agreement with the veteran center they acquired June 20, and he is expected to sign for the \$5.3-million mini-midlevel exception with the Wizards when the trade and buyout become official after the NBA moratorium ends at 11:01 p.m. Thursday.

The Athletic in Boston was first to report the news Tuesday, and the Washington Post confirmed it, citing "people in the league familiar with the team's plans."

The Nets acquired Howard and the final year of his contract worth \$23.8 million from the Hornets the day before the NBA draft.

■ The Suns and G Devin Booker are close to finalizing a five-year, \$158 million maximum contract extension, ESPN reported. He averaged 24.9 points last season, his third in the league. ... F Jeff Green agreed to a one-year, \$2.4 million deal with the Wizards. Green, who turns 32 in August, spent last season with the Cavaliers. ... The Pacers agreed with former Grizzlies G Tyreke Evans on a one-year, \$12 million contract. ... ESPN reported the Nuggets traded F Wilson Chandler and a future second-round draft pick to the 76ers. ... AP reported versatile F Kevon Looney will re-sign with the Warriors. ... Veteran G Michael Carter-Williams agreed to one-year deal with the Rockets. ... Yahoo sports reported G Avery Bradley agreed to a two-year, \$25 million deal with the Clippers. ... The Magic signed C Mohamed Bamba, their first-round draft pick, to his rookie-scale contract. ... The Nuggets agreed with F Michael Porter Jr. on a four-year deal.

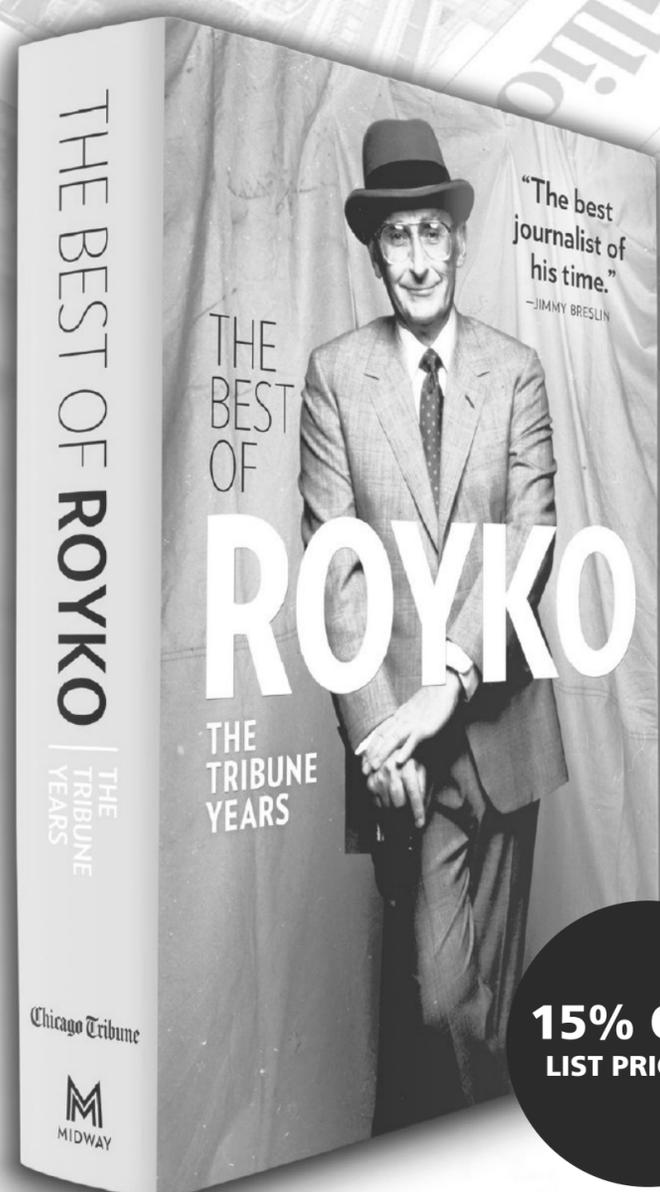
COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Illinois received Class of 2019 commitments from Phillips WR Fabian McCray and Washington transfer LB Camilo Eifler who announced their decisions on social media.

NFL: After his appeal was denied, Patriots WR Julian Edelman will miss the first four games of the season for violating league policy on performance-enhancing substances. Edelman, 32, missed the 2017 season with a torn right ACL. He had 98 receptions in 2016. ... 49ers LB Reuben Foster, Packers RB Aaron Jones and Rams G Jamon Brown were suspended for the first two games of the regular season for violating the league's conduct and substance-abuse policy.

NHL: The Humboldt Broncos junior hockey team named Nathan Oystriick, a 10-year NHL player from Saskatchewan, its new coach. Oystriick played with the Thrashers, Ducks and Blues. ... The Hurricanes signed D Calvin de Haan to a four-year, \$18.2 million contract.

WNBA: Liz Cambage scored a career-high 37 points and Skylar Diggins-Smith added 20 points as the host Wings (8-8) dominated the second half in an 108-85 win over the Sky. Diamond DeShields led the Sky (6-11) with 20 points.

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WHEN in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness--That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such Form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and accordingly all Experience hath shewn, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of Great-Britain is a History of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, unless suspended in their Operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a Right inestimable to them, and formidable to Tyrants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole Purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly Firmness his Invasions on the Rights of the People.

He has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without, and Convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migrations hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices, and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a Multitude of new Offices, and sent hither Swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their Substance.

He has kept among us, in Times of Peace, Standing Armies, without the Consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

- For quartering large Bodies of Armed Troops among us:
- For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:
- For cutting off our Trade with all Parts of the World:
- For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:
- For depriving us, in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury:
- For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended Offences:
- For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government, and enlarging its Boundaries, so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies:
- For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:
- For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our Towns, and destroyed the Lives of our People.

He is, at this Time, transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the Works of Death, Desolation, and Tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and Perfidy, scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized Nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioners of their Friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

1,458 words and not one of them is
 “me,” “I,” or “my.”

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				@VAN 9:30 AM-1200			
		@LVG 9 WCIU-26.2			MIN 7:30 WCIU-26.2		LVG 7:30 WCIU-26.2

WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB	Time	Matchup	Network
10 a.m.	Red Sox at Nationals	MLBN	
1 p.m.	Braves at Yankees	MLBN, WMVP-AM 1000	
1:20 p.m.	Tigers at Cubs	WGN-9, WSCR-AM 670	
3 p.m.	Orioles at Phillies	ESPN	
3 p.m.	Angels at Mariners	WMVP-AM 1000	
6:10 p.m.	White Sox at Reds	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720	
9 p.m.	Cardinals at Diamondbacks	ESPN	

GOLF

4:30 a.m. Irish Open
Thu. Golf Channel

LACROSSE

5 p.m. World Series of Youth Lacrosse
ESPN2

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

4 p.m. USA Games
ESPN2

TENNIS

6 a.m. Wimbledon second round
ESPN

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

UTAH SUMMER LEAGUE	VEGAS SUMMER LEAGUE
Vincent Smart Home Arena	FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE
TUESDAY'S RESULTS	Cox Pavilion
San Antonio 103, Atlanta 81	Houston vs. Indiana, 2
Memphis 95, Utah 92	Brooklyn vs. Orlando, 4
THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE	Milwaukee vs. Detroit, 6
Memphis vs. San Antonio, 6	Cleveland vs. Washington, 8
Atlanta vs. Utah, 8	Denver vs. Minnesota, 10
SACRAMENTO SUMMER LEAGUE	Thomas & Mack
Golden State, Sacramento	Toronto vs. New Orleans, 2:30
TUESDAY'S RESULTS	Oklahoma City vs. Charlotte, 4:30
Miami 89, L.A. Lakers 74	Boston vs. Philadelphia, 4:30
Golden State vs. Sacramento, late	Dallas vs. Phoenix, 8:30
THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE	LA Clippers vs. Golden State, 10:30
Golden State vs. L.A. Lakers, 2	
Miami vs. Sacramento, 4	

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Baltimore: Named John Vidalin chief operating officer for business operations. Recalled RHP Yefry Ram.
Cleveland: Recalled OF Greg Allen from Columbus (IL). Placed OF Lonnie Chisenhall on the 10-day DL. Signed C Noah Naylor and RHP Ethan Hankins.
Houston: Activated RHP Joe Smith from the 10-day DL. Selected the contract of C Tim Federowicz from Fresno (PCL). Placed C Brian McCann on the 10-day DL retroactive to July 1.
Kansas City: Reinstated LHP-OF Shohei Ohtani from the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Miguel Almonte from Salt Lake (PCL). Optioned RHPs Deck McGuire and Eduardo Paredes to Salt Lake (PCL). Signed RHPs Gabriel Hernandez, Luis Nuñez and RHP Scott Fluharty from Rochester (IL). Optioned RHP Zack Littell to Rochester.
New York: Optioned RHP Jonathan Loaisiga to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Reinstated RHP A.J. Cole from the 10-day DL.
Oakland: Reinstated 3B Matt Chapman from the 10-day DL. Optioned INF Franklin Barreto to Nashville (PCL).
Texas: Activated 1B Ronald Guzman from the 10-day DL. Signed RHPs Josh Hlatt and Andy McGuire and C Brett Wright to minor league contracts.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Atlanta: Reinstated RHP Arodys Vizcaino from the 10-day DL.
Colorado: Recalled RHP Antonio Senzuela from Albuquerque (PCL). Placed RHP Chad Bettis on the 10-day DL.
Philadelphia: Agreed to terms with RHPs Starlyn Castillo, Eiberson Castellano, Wilson Gherbaz, Jonathan Rivas and Luis Vegas; LHPs Joalbert Angulo and Neyker Ibarra; C's Victor Diaz, Andrick Nava and Javier Vinal; OFs Jeury Corona and Reiberth Gil; 2B Alexeis Azuaje and SS Kervin Pichardo to minor-league contracts.
Pittsburgh: Recalled RHP Dovydas Neverauskas from Indianapolis (IL). Optioned RHP Tanner Anderson to Indianapolis.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
Chicago: Released RHP Scott Firth and INF Matt Telesco.
Cleburne: Signed C Quinn Trewy.

WNBA

EASTERN	W	L	PCT	GB
Washington	10	6	.625	—
Connecticut	10	7	.588	½
Atlanta	8	8	.500	2
SKY	6	11	.353	4½
New York	5	12	.294	5½
Indiana	2	16	.111	9
WESTERN	W	L	PCT	GB
Phoenix	13	5	.722	—
Seattle	13	5	.722	—
Los Angeles	12	6	.667	1
Minnesota	10	7	.588	2½
Dallas	8	8	.500	4
Las Vegas	6	12	.333	7

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Dallas 108, Sky 85
 Seattle 77, New York 62
 Indiana 71, Minnesota 59
 Connecticut 73, Los Angeles 72
WEDNESDAY: No games scheduled.

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

New York at Washington, 6
 Indiana at Dallas, 7
 Los Angeles at Minnesota, 7
 Connecticut at Phoenix, 9
 Chicago at Las Vegas, 9

WINGS 108, SKY 85

SKY FG-A FT-A PTDAL FG-A FT-A PTDAL
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SOCCER

FIFA WORLD CUP
ROUND OF 16
(Shoot Out Score)
TUESDAY'S RESULTS
In St. Petersburg
 Sweden 1, Switzerland 0
In Moscow (Spartak)
 England 1 (4), Colombia 1 (3)
QUARTERFINALS
Friday in Nizhny Novgorod
 France vs. Uruguay, 9 a.m.
Friday in Kazan
 Brazil vs. Belgium, 1
Saturday in Samara
 Sweden vs. England, 9 a.m.
Saturday in Sochi
 Russia vs. Croatia, 1
SEMIFINALS: July 10

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Atlanta	11	3	4	37	38	20
N.Y. City FC	9	4	4	31	34	24
Columbus	8	5	6	30	24	19
N.Y. Red Bulls	10	4	2	32	34	16
New England	7	4	6	27	30	25
FIRE	6	7	5	23	27	31
Montreal	7	11	0	21	21	17
Philadelphia	6	8	3	21	21	25
Orlando City	6	10	1	19	24	37
Toronto FC	4	9	3	15	24	30
D.C. United	2	7	4	10	27	27
WESTERN	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Kansas City	9	3	5	32	31	18
FC Dallas	9	2	5	32	27	17
Los Angeles FC	9	4	4	31	35	25
Portland	7	3	5	26	24	21
Real Salt Lake	7	8	2	23	21	27
Houston	6	6	4	23	32	26
Vancouver	6	7	5	23	26	34
LA Galaxy	6	7	3	21	25	26
Seattle	5	10	1	16	19	30
Colorado	4	9	3	15	20	28
Seattle	3	8	12	11	18	34
San Jose	2	9	5	11	25	32

FRONTIER LEAGUE

Washington 27 19 587
 Burlington 25 20 568
 Lake Erie 25 20 568
 Schaumburg 23 21 523
 Traverse City 20 25 444
 Windy City 16 30 348

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

North 23 19 548
 St. Paul 22 21 525
 Fargo-Moorhead 21 20 512
 Winnipeg 17 25 405
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEDNESDAY
 Los Angeles-180 Pittsburgh +165
 Houston-154 San Francisco +144
 Colorado-123 San Francisco +113
 Arizona-133 St. Louis +123
AMERICAN LEAGUE WEDNESDAY
 Seattle-106 Los Angeles -104
 Houston -154 at Texas +144
 Cleveland -220 at Kansas City +200
INTERLEAGUE WEDNESDAY
 Cincinnati -180 White Sox +165
 Detroit -225 Detroit +205
 Boston -122 at Washington +112
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FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
NFL: Suspended Green Bay RB Aaron Jones, San Francisco LB Reuben Foster and Los Angeles Rams G Jamon Brown for the first two games of the 2018 regular season for violating the NFL Policy and Program for Substances of Abuse.
CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Edmonton: Signed DL Alan-Michael Cash to the practice roster.
HOCKEY
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Arizona: Signed C Brad Richardson to a two-year contract.
Boston: Re-signed F Sean Kuraly to a three-year contract. Signed F Anton Blidh to a two-way contract.
Dallas: Named Bob Jones assistant coach of Texas (AHL). Signed LW Remi Elie to a one-year contract.
Los Angeles: Signed D Sean Walker to a two-year entry-level contract.
Nashville: Signed F Colin Blackwell to a two-year, two-way contract.
Toronto: Traded F Matt Martin to the New York Islanders for G Eamon McAdam.

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

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ACROSS

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 9 Command to a steed
 13 Great quantity, slangily
 15 Island dance
 16 ___ around; linger
 17 See eye to eye
 18 In ___; alive
 20 Trawler's need
 21 Tie the knot
 23 Made wood smooth
 24 Pays attention
 26 Opening trio
 27 Back teeth
 29 Shiny
 32 Hairwire
 33 Midafternoon
 35 Corn on the ___
 37 Monthly expense
 38 Weaving frames
 39 Factual
 40 ___ McMuffin; McDonald's offering
 41 Half-quarts
 42 Antlered animal
 43 Valuable
 45 Evening meal
 46 Prefix for view or heat
 47 Swamp

DOWN

48 Iced pastry
 51 "Cat ___ Hot Tin Roof"
 52 "___ to a Nightingale"
 55 Quack
 58 Can wrapper
 60 Sharpen
 61 Winter wrap
 62 Offend those close by
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 65 Floor pads

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 30 Fear of heights
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SOCCER



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Colombian goalkeeper David Ospina reaches but can't stop the winning penalty kick by Eric Dier of England.

WORLD CUP

England, Dier rewrite history

Winning kick halts nation's long run of shootout failures

Associated Press

After three haunting failures, England finally won a penalty shootout at the World Cup.

And it happened under a coach who for 22 years has taken the blame for a previous shootout loss at a major tournament.

England advanced to the World Cup quarterfinals by beating Colombia 4-3 in a shootout following a 1-1 draw Tuesday in Moscow, sending Gareth Southgate running onto the field to celebrate the end of the national team's years of misfortune.

"It will never be off my back, sadly. That's something that will live with me forever," Southgate said of his 1996 shootout failure at the European championships. "But today is a special moment for this team. I hope it will give belief to generations of players that follow, because they can see what is possible in life."

England will next play Sweden on Saturday in Samara. The 1966 champions have reached the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time since the David Beckham era, when a golden generation exited in the last eight in 2002 and 2006.

"We have to see what is possible and not be hindered by history or the expectations," Southgate said. "I think these young players are showing that."

Eric Dier scored the decisive kick after a scrappy game went through 30 minutes of extra time, denying Colombia a second consecutive trip to the quarterfinals.

"It was a nervous one," Dier said. "I've never really been in a situation like that before."

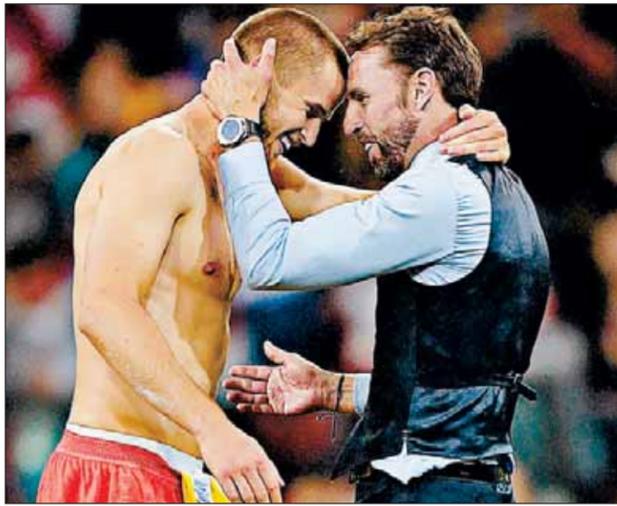
Harry Kane scored his tournament-leading sixth goal to give England the lead with a penalty kick in the 57th minute. Colombia scrambled for an equalizer and finally got it when Yerry Mina headed in a corner in the third minute of stoppage time.

"To get knocked down at the end like we did, it's difficult to come back from that," Dier said. "But we were ready for that. We were calm. We stuck to our plan."

England trailed 3-2 in the penalty shootout after Jordan Henderson's shot was saved by David Ospina, but Mateus Uribe hit the bar and England goalkeeper Jordan Pickford then stopped Carlos Bacca's kick.

"I did a whole bunch of research," Pickford said. "I don't care if I'm not the biggest keeper in the world. I have the power and agility."

Pickford succeeded where Peter Shilton, David Seaman and



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England coach Gareth Southgate, right, congratulates Dier, who scored the decisive goal in the penalty shootout against Colombia on Tuesday.

Paul Robinson failed as England's 1990, 1998 and 2006 World Cups ended in shootout losses. On top of that, England was knocked out of the 1996 European Championship semifinals and the quarterfinals in 2004 and 2012 on penalties. The country's only shootout success came earlier at Euro '96.

Southgate's penalty in the 1996 shootout at Wembley against Germany was stopped, a failure he has lived with for 22 years.

"Penalty shootouts are lot about mentality, and obviously we know England in the past haven't done great," Kane said. "So, it's nice to get that one off our back, and we'll have huge belief moving forward."

Sweden 1, Switzerland 0: The heir to Zlatan Ibrahimovic finally delivered for Sweden at the World Cup.

Emil Forsberg scored a deflected goal in the 66th minute to give the Swedes a victory in St. Petersburg and a place in the quarterfinals for the first time in 24 years.

"It brings tears to my eyes," Forsberg said, "and makes me so proud."

Shy and understated, the 26-year-old Forsberg couldn't be more different than the larger-than-life Ibrahimovic, who ruled the Sweden team for more than a decade and was the greatest player the country ever produced.

But Forsberg arrived in Russia shouldering the creative burden left by Ibrahimovic following his retirement two years ago, and the attacking midfielder's skills and slick movement stood out at St. Petersburg Stadium.

His goal was scruffy, though. After getting past Granit Khaka, Forsberg didn't get much power behind his shot from the edge of the area and it was likely heading straight for Switzerland goalkeeper Yann Sommer. However, it

took a deflection off the foot of center back Manuel Akanji and bounced up and into the net.

It was enough to make Sweden the fifth European team to reach the quarterfinals.

The last time Sweden made it this far at the World Cup was in 1994, when the team reached the semifinals.

This was another opportunity lost by the Swiss, who have reached the last 16 in four of the last five World Cups only to be eliminated without scoring a goal. They haven't scored in a knockout game in soccer's biggest tournament in 64 years, when they last reached in the quarterfinals at home in 1954.

They finished the game with 10 men after right back Michael Lang was sent off in stoppage time for a foul on Sweden substitute Martin Olsson.

The referee initially awarded a penalty kick but later gave a free kick on the edge of the area after a video review.

Corner kicks: The lack of a U.S. team caused a big viewership drop for World Cup telecasts. The 48 group stage telecasts on Fox and FS1 averaged 2,069,000 viewers, according to Nielsen Media Research. That is down 42 percent from the 3.54 million average on ESPN, ESPN2 and ABC four years ago and down 15 percent from the 2,429,000 average on ESPN, ESPN2 and ABC eight years ago. Even excluding games involving the U.S. team in previous World Cups, the average declined 28 percent from the 2014 tournament in Brazil. ... Germany coach Joachim Loew is staying on despite the team's shocking first-round World Cup exit. The German football federation announced that it was informed by Loew that he wished to remain and "rebuild the team."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thorson vows to start opener

After surgery to repair ACL, Northwestern QB determined on mission to achieve football goals

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Clayton Thorson sees a friendly face and a familiar logo.

His interviewer is wearing a shirt with a Johnnie-O emblem, a surfer with his board. It reminds him of being in the presence of Peyton Manning last summer at the Manning Passing Academy.

"Peyton had all the Johnnie-O stuff," Thorson says. "I had it on too. I thought, 'I'm wearing the right stuff.'"

Thorson has on a black Northwestern T-shirt, having completed activities to strengthen both his surgically repaired right knee and his soul. His morning began with an hour of yoga, joining about 50 NU football players for an optional 8 a.m. session.

"We were looking out over the lake," Thorson says of the idyllic setting provided by Northwestern's new practice facility, which is part of a \$270 million sports complex. "Get a little namaste."

Thorson, now a grad student holding an undergraduate degree in communication studies, remains the relentlessly positive team-first guy who insisted on crutching to the NU sideline to watch the second half of the Music City Bowl.

The quarterback, a veteran of 39 starts, sounds the same, but his look has two obvious changes: He's wearing a protective sleeve over his right knee and a black silicone wedding ring.

Why not his gold ring? "If I break my finger," he says, "it would be annoying to have on."

He is certainly practical. That comes across when he answers the question on the mind of every NU fan: Will he be ready to play in the Wildcats' Aug. 30 season opener at Purdue?

Here are eight takeaways from Thorson's interview with the Tribune, his first since tearing his ACL on a trick play Dec. 29 in Nashville, Tenn.:

He is determined to play at Purdue. "That's how I'm preparing. Because I'm our quarterback, you know? I'm doing everything in my power to play Aug. 30."

But ... there's a but. "I heard Andrew Luck in an interview say, 'I skipped steps (in shoulder rehab). I remember watching that and (thinking): I can't skip steps. Every single leg exercise, I'm going to do. Every double leg, everything, I'm going to do. Of course I'd err on the side of, 'Let's do it, let's (play)!' But there's a reason you don't take a hit four months out of surgery, and there's a reason you do eight months out of surgery."

"I mean, the little movements feel great, running, cutting. I've talked to different guys in the NFL who have had this surgery, and they're like, 'Look, if it was a receiver or a fast guy, it's different.' They said, 'You're going to feel great, and (the doctors) will have to hold you back.' That's the frustrating part, sitting there wanting to do more. I want to just freaking go! But we have great doctors here and we follow their protocols."

Thorson is in good hands.

Noted orthopedic surgeon James Andrews, who performed knee surgeries on NFL quarterbacks Daunte Culpepper, Donovan McNabb and Sam Bradford, repaired Thorson's ACL. Andrews also operated on Adrian Peterson, who rushed for 2,097 yards the season after his knee surgery.

"He said, 'It didn't matter who did Adrian Peterson's knee, he was getting back in six months; that's Adrian Peterson.' He's a physical freak. And he's so determined. Thankfully I've got that determination as well."

"You (tear) an ACL and the outside world says the world's caving in on you. But you go down (to Andrews' office) and feel like another guy. Those doctors are like: You tore your ACL, you'll be back. Life goes on."

Thorson has no beef with the play call. With Northwestern down 7-3 to Kentucky early in the second quarter, Thorson handed off to Jeremy Larkin and took off down the far sideline. Thorson caught Larkin's pass and was taken down by



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Northwestern quarterback Clayton Thorson has hopes of being drafted in April.

linebacker Jordan Jones at the 5. He immediately grabbed his right knee.

Jones asked: "You good, bro? You all right?"

Thorson replied: "Nope." Thorson says the Kentucky players were very nice, with one saying they prayed for him.

Regarding the trick play call, Thorson says: "Things happen in a game. There are things you can do to prevent an ACL injury, but when a guy jumps on your back and your knee goes every which way, there's nothing you can do. It was a good play call and I almost scored. It set us up. Justin (Jackson) scored on the next play, and thankfully I got to see that as I was being carted off."

The injury boosted Thorson's loyalty to Northwestern.

Thorson was particularly touched by how athletic director Jim Phillips helped him in the moments after the injury, retrieving his street clothes from the locker room. "He said: 'What do you want? What do you need?' I told him, 'Well, sweatpants and a coat.' He went in there with all my dirty clothes and put them in my locker for me. He grabbed my stuff and brought it back. He was there the whole time with me and never left. My mom still gets teary talking about it."

"He's got donors on the sideline, guys who give (money for) all this, and he's back there with me. And I just think that shows you what he cares about. ... And in the days following, everyone was so supportive. It reaffirmed that this is a different place. They see me get hurt and say, 'This is our guy and we love him.'"

Thorson will be "living" at the new lakefront facility, where he can train and study film.

At least that's how Jay Hooten, Northwestern's director of football performance, put it. "Oh, yeah," Thorson says, "I agree with that 100 percent. I have one class in the summer and one in the fall."

That fall class? "Emotional Intelligence 101. Do a bunch of papers and reflect on your values. I could talk about that forever."

Thorson danced "the entire night" during his June 16 wedding

to the former Audrey Gross, his girlfriend of six-plus years. "Jumping around, moving around, no pain," he says.

Thorson, 23, got married at College Church in Wheaton. It's a block from Wheaton College, where his father, Chad Thorson, played linebacker. Clayton wanted to invite the entire team to the reception at Company 251, an event space in Aurora. But at about \$150 a plate, that was not possible.

Best dancers on the team? Thorson mentions Flynn Nagel, James Prather, Nate Hall and Solomon Vault.

Worst? Offensive lineman Tommy Doles. "He does a pass set. Literally, his main move is dropping back as a guard (with his hands up)."

The Thorsons will be living in Evanston, just — though not in the football complex. Audrey works in the Chicago office of the software company MuleSoft, recently acquired by Salesforce.

"She's got a great job," he says. "She's the breadwinner."

For how much longer?

"Well, hopefully until next April 28 or something like that," he says.

Indeed, the 2019 NFL draft runs April 25-27.

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Young pitchers in peril

Tommy John surgeries now epidemic in teenagers

BY CRAIG DAVIS
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When Tommy John underwent the revolutionary surgical procedure on his left elbow in 1974 that would become his namesake, it was a desperate measure to save a valuable pitcher's major-league career.

More than 40 years later, it has become commonplace for an injury that has reached epidemic proportions at all levels of baseball.

The son of the former pitcher finds it alarming that the surgery synonymous with his father's name is most often performed on players in their teens.

Dr. Tommy John, a chiropractor who runs a performance and healing center in San Diego, cites a study showing that athletes ages 15 to 19 account for 57 percent of Tommy John surgeries as motivation in writing a book aimed at curbing the trend.

"It shouldn't be necessary," John, who wrote "Minimize Injury, Maximize Performance" as a sports parents survival guide, says of teens going under the knife. "The success rate after Tommy John surgery is not good. You don't want this surgery, especially if you have it in your teenage years."

While the focus has been on the rise in major-league pitchers undergoing Tommy John surgery — about 25 percent of all active MLB players have — the eye-opener came with the 2015 study published in the American Journal of Sports Medicine showing the greatest number of procedures in the age 15-19 group — and the rate is increasing at an average of 6 percent a year.

To John, the revelation is a reflection of a larger problem of injuries skyrocketing in youth sports throughout the country during the last 20 years.

Notably, another study showed the number of soccer-related injuries treated in emergency rooms increased 78 percent from 1990 to 2014 in ages 7 to 17.

Specialization leads to injuries

In South Florida, Drs. Randolph Cohen and Eric Eisner have observed the trend in their U18 Sports Medicine practice at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in Hollywood.

They attribute it to the increased emphasis on kids specializing in a single sport at a younger age and being pushed to perform on travel teams and to pursue college scholarships and the elusive dream of a pro contract.

"The biggest issue is that there's an overall kind of irrational push by parents on children who are playing sports for such long hours and such long durations and such great repetition that we're seeing an increase in the injuries in children than say we saw 20 years ago, where injuries like that were much more rare," Cohen said.

"They just can't take that repetitive type of consistent pounding on their bones, joints and ligaments without developing an inordinately high rate of injury that ends up ending their career and curtailing what they are capable of doing."

The common thread, regardless of the sport, is overuse of young muscles and ligaments that lead to injuries of varying degrees.

"We see a lot of knee injuries, ankle pain, back pain. Back pain is a very common overuse injury. You pick the body part, we've seen the overuse injury," Eisner said. "It depends on the sport and



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Dr. Tommy John, son of the pitcher of the same name, is alarmed that teenagers are now having the highest percentage of elbow ligament surgeries.

what the child is focusing on.

"Some gymnasts we're seeing are 5, 6 with overuse injuries. Ballet dancers and cheerleaders come in with a lot of overuse injuries."

Such injuries don't necessarily lead to surgery, but they can be debilitating.

Cohen said he rarely sees teenage ballplayers with elbow injuries severe enough to require Tommy John surgery.

The oft-cited 2015 study showed the overall average incidence of Tommy John surgery in the database of athletes from recreational to big-league levels was just under 4 per 100,000 patients. But for the 15-19 age group it was 22 per 100,000 patients, which the study's authors termed "a staggering statistic."

Myths surround Tommy John surgery

Andrews Sports Medicine, the premier orthopedic center in the country headed by Dr. James Andrews, charted a meteoric rise in Tommy John surgeries performed on youth and high school players beginning about 1994.

In a FAQ for Pitch Smart, an MLB and USA Baseball initiative that provides guidelines to help parents, players and coaches avoid overuse in young pitchers, Andrews said it is a myth that Tommy John surgery enables pitchers to throw harder than before they were injured.

Andrews attributes belief in the myth to an influx of parents with pitchers as young as 14 who come to him wanting Tommy John surgery without having an elbow injury to warrant it.

"The problem we're seeing at all levels is that players think that they can have this procedure and have a bionic arm," Andrews said in the Pitch Smart video. "If they do throw harder it's not because of the surgical procedure. It's because of the maturity of that player and all the rehab and conditioning that they do for a year or a year and a half in their comeback."

Andrews goes on to say, "If you're operated on in the eighth or ninth grade for

Tommy John's procedure, your chances of reaching the collegiate level go down about threefold."

Andrews said in a 2015 interview that he went from performing surgery on one or two high school players in 1997 to now 80 or 90 a year.

Among them, Jesus Luzardo, who was a standout senior pitcher for Stoneman Douglas High when he blew out his elbow while throwing a pitch against Coral Springs High in 2016.

So far, Luzardo is one of the success stories of the reconstructive procedure. He's currently rated as the Oakland A's No. 2 prospect and playing for Double-A Midland, where he was 4-3 with a 3.08 ERA and 1.12 WHIP after 11 starts this season.

"It definitely took the wind out of your sails," Luzardo said. "That happened, but I've said, God has a plan for everything and I'm glad it happened because I'm in a good spot today, thankfully."

The surgery pioneered by Dr. Frank Jobe involves replacing a torn or ruptured ligament in the elbow known as the ulnar collateral ligament with a tendon from another part of the body.

Luzardo said the operation is just the first step in a long process. The key to returning to the mound is in adhering to the arduous rehabilitation guidelines.

"(Andrews) said, if you follow this rehab program the way we lay it out, the success rate is pretty high. But if you stray from that you could hurt yourself again or worse," Luzardo said. "I think it took me 14 months before I got on the mound for a real game. It's just long and tedious."

Success after surgery varies

Tommy John was 31 when Jobe fixed his elbow in 1974. He went on to pitch 14 more seasons, winning 20 games three times.

There have been notable success stories in pitchers regaining prominence, such as Stephen Strasburg of the Nationals. But there is no guarantee of making it back or of enduring success after surgery, as former Mets

right-hander Matt Harvey's struggles show.

Josh Johnson, one of the most promising young pitchers in Marlins history, had Tommy John surgery three times before giving up in 2017.

In his book, John noted: "Although my dad fully recovered, only 20 percent of those who have it ever make it back to their previous level of performance. Worse yet, between 25 and 30 percent of athletes that undergo Tommy John surgery find themselves no longer able to play baseball two years afterward."

John Smoltz is the only pitcher so far to make it to the Hall of Fame after Tommy John surgery.

Smoltz made a point in his induction speech of addressing the problems in youth sports, saying: "I want to encourage the families and parents that are out there that this is not normal to have a surgery at 14 and 15 years old. That you have time, that baseball is not a year-round sport. That you have an opportunity to be athletic and play other sports. Don't let the institutions that are out there running before you guarantee scholarship dollars and signing bonuses (convince you) that this is the way."

Pressure from parents, youth sports industry

Eisner takes that message directly to his patients, and he also bears the badge of Tommy John in the scar on his own elbow.

He grew up in Los Angeles before the travel team era but pushed himself to play year round. He tore his UCL when he was 18 and had surgery while a college freshman.

"It was a big influence in my decision to go into pediatric orthopedics," Eisner said. "Looking back on it, I wish I had played more sports other than baseball."

Now Eisner can point to his own experience when he sits across from a 13-year-old pitcher with elbow pain and his family.

"I can show them the scar, and I can say, 'I know what I'm talking about. This is where you're going, this is the road you're going down

if you don't change the behavior that led you to this injury in the first place."

Bringing about that change of behavior is the objective of Dr. Tommy John's book, which debuted June 5. He offers his Tommy John Solution as a four-step program for enabling youth athletes to develop their bodies without breaking them down. It involves a comprehensive change in mindset and behavior, which he details as rethink, replenish, rebuild and recover.

John places blame for the youth sports injury epidemic on pressures from parents and the multi-billion-dollar youth sports industry that funnels kids into specialized year-round regimens through a gauntlet of travel and select teams, camps, tournaments and elite showcases.

He points out that the cost of participating at this level ends up exceeding by far the value of the college scholarships that many parents envision — but only a small percentage of teen athletes can obtain.

"There's more stress around what's going on in these sports than I find celebration," John said. "It should be fun. These are kids, not pros."

"My dad had to sit there at 31 years old and be like, man, my career might be coming to an end. What am I going to do? Now 10-year-olds or 15-year-olds are coming to a crossroads in their performance and health."

That is happening most often in warm-weather regions that facilitate year-round play. The 2015 study, "United States Trends in Medial Ulnar Collateral Ligament Reconstruction," found that players in the South are undergoing Tommy John surgery at a significantly higher rate than any other region.

Over 18 years of coaching high school baseball, Stoneman Douglas coach Todd Fitz-Gerald has observed that players now are geared more for performance through playing on multiple teams, without allowing time for general training and rest.

"I think kids pitch too much, and they don't do enough throwing to keep their arm in shape," he said,

noting that a pitcher shouldn't step on the mound for a bullpen session before several weeks of throwing on flat ground. And that should follow a period away from throwing altogether.

"If you're a pitcher, you need that down time not only to rest, but you need to strength-train too," he said.

Multisport athletes thrive

There is plenty of evidence to support that players are better off confining their sport to its season and moving on to other activities the rest of the year.

A study of 1,200 youth athletes conducted by Dr. Neeru Jayanthi of Loyola University found that early specialization in a single sport is one of the strongest precursors of injury. Athletes in the study who specialized were 70 to 93 percent more likely to be injured than those who played multiple sports.

As for the perceived need to focus only on one skill to reach an elite level, consider that 29 of the 32 first-round picks in the recent NFL draft were multisport athletes in high school.

Dr. Tommy John played on the junior varsity team at Westminster Academy in Fort Lauderdale when he father was coach there in the early 1990s. But it wasn't until his senior year, after the family moved to Minnesota, that he showed exceptional ability and was selected as the 1996 Gatorade Player of the Year in the state.

That was also the first time his father offered the benefit of his pitching knowledge in specialized instruction and began to show him how to maximize his ability.

"I would ask him, could we learn this pitch? He was like, no, we'll get there. We would just have a catch," John said of his father's approach when he was younger. "I'm very thankful for how I was raised. We all played different sports. I was slow to develop."

Speculating about what might have happened had his big-league father pushed him to emulate his own success, John said, "There's a chance I would have had an injury."

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Goaltender Carter Hart keeps his eyes on the puck during practice at a Flyers development camp in Voorhees, Pa., in 2017. Hart helped Canada win the World Junior Championship.

Mental insurance paying off

If Flyers goaltending prospect Carter Hart has a long career, credit his sports psychologist

BY SAM CARCHIDI | Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily News

Realistically, Carter Hart, the teenage goalie whom some view as the Flyers' future cornerstone, is two years away from making it to the NHL.

By then, he'll be 21, but perhaps more mature, mentally, than many seasoned veterans.

Hart, you see, has been working with a sports psychologist since he was in grammar school. He stops shots partly because of his great reflexes and athletic ability, but he thinks a sports psychologist has made him more focused, more calm, in the nets.

"I'd probably say about 90 percent of it is mental," Hart said recently about playing the game's most important position. "Confidence is everything. Everything is between your ears."

Hart, named the Canadian Hockey League's top goaltender the last two seasons and owner of some jaw-dropping statistics, attributes a lot of his success to John Stevenson, a sports psychologist who has worked with many pro athletes, including Braden Holtby, the gifted goaltender who helped the Capitals win their first Stanley Cup last month.

Stevenson "was my first goalie coach when I was 10 years old," Hart said. "He doesn't do that part of the game anymore. He just does work with the mental side. He's a psychologist, and I've worked with him for a number of years. He's helped me a ton, and I wouldn't be where I am without his help."

"He's helped me not only through hockey, but life as well. I've learned a lot from him. He's not only just my sports psychologist, but he's a good friend of mine, so I can talk to him about pretty much anything, which is really nice to have."

"You can talk to your parents pretty much about anything, but there are some things you can't tell your parents."

Hart, whose goalie coach in the Western Hockey League says he reminds him of (gulp) Carey Price because of his mobility, said he started using Stevenson as a sports psychologist when he was 11 or 12.

At that time, Stevenson was also his goalie mentor.

"But as I got older, the sports psychology became more intense," Hart said. "I mean, when I was younger, it was more basic, but as I

got older and understood more things and had more experiences, there's been different things he's taught me and I've learned a lot."

During the season, while playing for the WHL's Everett Silvertips in Washington, about 30 miles north of Seattle, Hart tried to call the Edmonton-based Stevenson at least once a week to check in and fine-tune his mental approach to hockey.

"There's a lot of people who have helped me over the years," Hart said. "Back home, I have a good team of people who I can lean on. They've really helped me become who I am, and I'm really lucky to have those people. My goalie coach, Dustin Schwartz, back home and my other goalie coach in Everett, Shane Clifford. All those guys have helped me a tremendous amount."

Stevenson is at the top of the list. He says Hart's mental maturity is off the charts.

"As much as he wants to be a Philadelphia Flyer next year, he also realizes that last summer he pushed way too hard," Stevenson said. "He way overdid it, and he'll tell you that as a result of going way too hard and not taking breaks, he feels that may have contributed to the mono. And I agree with him."

Hart missed about five weeks early in the 2017-18 WHL season because of mononucleosis.

"This summer, he's going to work hard but work smart," Stevenson said. "That realization is how he's really grown. He really knows himself and understands himself and knows what makes him tick. As a young guy, he used to really worry about what other people thought about him, and now that would not faze him at all."

"He's surrounded himself with really good people. He's very open to criticism, whether it's from myself or Dustin Schwartz or Braden Holtby or (Oilers goalie) Cam Talbot. He listens to them and takes the feedback. That's one thing he did so well at Team Canada's camp with all these different goalie coaches. He's able to take different ideas and incorporate into his game and grow from it."

Stevenson, who used to be the goalie coach for the Oilers and Senators and now does mental work with military and medical professionals, said Hart was so intent on making the Flyers last year — even though he just turned 19 — that "he just overdid it" and wore himself down. "His training this summer will be quite different," Stevenson said.

Every day, Hart goes to someplace Stevenson calls "his mental gym. Whether it's five minutes or 45 minutes, he goes there. It could be five minutes of breathing. It could be 10 minutes of mental imagery" — in which he recalls past successes. "It could be 10 minutes of concentration grids. It could be ball drills. It could be juggling. It could be meditation. What I've done over the years is give him a whole bunch of (mental) exercises, and he has a smorgasbord to choose from. He doesn't consider the mental part of the game as an adjunct. It is part of his training. So just as much as he goes to the gym to work on his core, he'll spend time every day working on the mental part of the game."

Hart also does yoga "because it incorporates a lot of the mind and body work together," Stevenson said. "You're breathing; you're focused. ... We talk a lot about having that quiet mind and being more in the moment."

Stevenson introduced Hart to mental drills at a young age, "and just like his skating, he's continued to work on them year after year after year."

Before each game, Hart gives himself a mental image of that opponent's strengths and how he will respond to the shooters.

It's something he will take into the NHL someday.

"Hockey is a game of patterns," said Stevenson, who taught Holtby some of his mental-preparation techniques when he was 14, "and the best goalies in the

world can recognize those patterns."

The Flyers have not had a dominating goalie since current general manager Ron Hextall was with the team in the 1980s and '90s.

Hart is aware of the Flyers' history and the fact they have been in the Great Goalie Search for many decades.

"Everybody brings that up to me," he said. "I don't think it really matters for someone coming into that situation or coming into the organization. That's the past. I mean, coming in, it's a new opportunity; it's a fresh start, coming up from juniors to pros. I know when I came into junior at 16 years old, I was at the bottom of the chain, one of the younger guys. I was just kind of feeling things out because I wasn't familiar with everything. Now it's kind of re-starting all over again as I go up to the pro level. I'm going to be one of the younger guys and learning new experiences. It's a pretty cool opportunity."

Flyers fans hope that, down the road, Hart is the missing piece, the player who will put them over the top and end a Stanley Cup drought that has stretched more than four decades. Bernie Parent was the goalie the last time the Flyers won the Cup, back in 1975.

Hart knows there are high expectations for him.

"I hear about it all the time, and I think when I'm ready, I'll be ready," he said. "That's why this summer is huge for me to get stronger and faster, so I can make that jump up to the next level. I think all those expectations, like I said, don't really matter. I just have to worry about what I think about myself. It doesn't really matter what the whole city of Philadelphia thinks about me. Sure it's cool that they think positively of me, but at the same time, the only thing that matters is what you think and your job, and your job is to stop the puck."

The expectations grow when you listen to Clifford, Hart's goalie coach at Everett. During his career, which included a stint as Penguins goalie coach, Clifford has worked with several goalies who have made it to the NHL, including Marc-Andre Fleury and John Gibson.

Hart "reminds me, in bits and pieces, of Carey Price," he said of the Canadiens

standout. "And in other parts, he reminds me of Fleury. His own physical attributes are pretty special. His mobility reminds me of Carey Price because there's no goalie-specific movement that he can't do. He has amazing speed, and he can change directions to combat a situation. As far as Fleury goes, Carter likes being around the rink and being around the guys. Fleury loves being on the ice, and Carter is the same way."

Added Clifford: "Every goalie is different. Some guys are going to block more shots, some are going to react more, but I think his package that he brings every day is pretty special. I always rave about his ability and his ice awareness. If you look at what he's done in the WHL, you just shake your head."

Hart led the WHL this season in goals-against average (1.60), save percentage (.947), and shutouts (seven) while compiling a 31-6-4 record. He also helped Canada win the World Junior Championship.

"His numbers," Clifford said, "are crazy. The WHL is a great league and has great players, and it's been positive for his career and his development."

The Flyers made Hart the first goalie selected in the 2016 draft, taking him in the second round with the 48th overall pick.

Hart figures to spend next season playing for the Flyers' top farm team in the AHL, the Lehigh Valley Phantoms.

"It's a good spot in Lehigh, a good place to play, and they have some really passionate fans," he said. "It's one of the nicer arenas in the league, I've heard, so I'm really excited to play there."

In each of the last two years, Hart was on the Phantoms' playoff roster for a handful of games after his junior team's schedule ended. He did not play in any games for the Phantoms, but just being around the team at practices and games was beneficial, he said.

"It was good to go up there and see how the pros live their life and how they treat things at the rink," he said. "Just seeing their lifestyle — not only how they play on the ice but how they live off the ice. From doing their laundry and their

meals and all that good stuff. At the pro level, you're on your own and it's a lot different, for sure. You're playing against men, and you're not playing with teenage guys anymore."

Paul Holmgren, the Flyers' club president, is taking a cautious approach about Hart's future. Holmgren was asked about Hart's beating the odds and earning a spot with the Flyers in training camp.

"I don't think it would make sense to think about him playing anytime soon for the Flyers," he said.

Hextall said that Hart would be given a chance in training camp to make the team and that "you never want to close a door on players. You also want a player to have a certain amount (of experience) behind him before he walks in. But, hey, Travis Konecny walked in a couple years ago and made our team."

Hart has not set a time frame.

"My goal is to just play in the NHL," he said. "I haven't set a timetable for when I get there."

The AHL is likely his next stop, and it will provide a stiff test.

"The goalies get better, but the players get a lot better too," Clifford said. "He just has to play games and get used to the speed and get used to the pace. It just takes time to get used to that."

Back home in Alberta this summer, the 6-foot-2, 185-pound Hart plans to put on some muscle and spend a lot of time in the weight room and on the ice. He hopes to bulk up to 195 pounds.

"I'm a little skinny right now," he said.

Flyers goalie coach Kim Dillabaugh and Brady Robinson, the organization's goaltender development coach, have been monitoring Hart's development throughout the year. "He's in good hands going forward," Clifford said. "Those guys are very talented, and they care about him and check up on him. I'm going to be sad not to coach him anymore, but at the end of the day, those guys are very good at what they do and it makes it easy to pass the torch, and I'm excited to see what happens with him."

So are Cup-thirsty Flyers fans.

"He's the real deal," Stevenson said.



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Building methods helped elevate Chicago's skyline.

Building blocks for a great 4th

Architectural freedoms have allowed city to distinguish itself



BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

Is there an architecturally appropriate way to celebrate the Fourth of July?

You could make the pilgrimage to Philadelphia's Independence Hall or the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

Or you could stop by the Clarke House Museum at 1827 S. Indiana Ave. Its Greek Revival architecture, in vogue when the house was built in 1836, reveals the affinity of early Americans for ancient Greece, which they considered a fitting political and aesthetic model for the young democracy.

But I prefer a different sort of commemoration, one that focuses, with apologies to Franklin D. Roosevelt, on freedoms associated with Chicago's architecture and public space. Like the ideals Roosevelt articulated in his legendary "Four Freedoms" address of 1941 (freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear), this design-related quartet reflects aspirations. Reality often fails to measure up. Still, these concepts continue to shape the tenor and texture of life here.

The first, *freedom to soar*, will be evident to anyone who glances at Chicago's skyline.

The city's early skyscrapers, constructed in the 1880s and 1890s, revolutionized building practices. Their internal frameworks of structural steel meant that exterior walls no longer needed to support the majority of a building's weight. Instead, those walls were free to become "curtains" of glass and masonry. They could admit more light and air. They could provide more unencumbered interior space. With help from elevators, they made high floors and their drop-dead views command high rents.

Liberated from the structural constraints of load-bearing walls, tall buildings could grow ever taller — and, in some cases, more beautiful. Architect Louis Sullivan articulated the idea that the tall building should be "a proud and soaring thing." Skylines, no longer dominated by church spires, were forever changed. And they are still changing, as Chicago engineers and architects export the city's skyscraper DNA to the boom towns of China and the Middle East.

The second freedom, *freedom to invent*, extends beyond the skyscraper, exemplified by Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie School homes.

After the turn of the last century, Prairie homes broke out of the box of the tall Victorian house, a busy confection that featured rectangular windows "punched" into its frilly facades. Rather, the horizontally proportioned Prairie

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BOX OFFICE FIREWORKS

From 'Back to the Future' to 'Wild Wild West,' a look at July's big hits and misses



Tom Hanks in "Forrest Gump." PARAMOUNT PICTURES

BY DAVE LEWIS | Los Angeles Times

The Fourth of July has long been a boon to the box office, with studios pitching their tentpole films on the holiday in hope of taking advantage of the American public's extra time off (and, in many cases, their need for air conditioning). More than 30 years since Universal successfully launched "Back to the Future" on July 3, the national holiday is now as closely associated with superheroes and Will Smith as with barbecues and fireworks.

This year, audiences will have their pick at the multiplex, with "Sicario: Day of the Soldado" and "Uncle Drew," followed by "The First Purge" on Wednesday, and "Ant-Man and the Wasp" on Friday. Meanwhile "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" will likely still be drawing crowds after its staggering \$150 million opening last week.

As the war for this year's Fourth of July box office winner begins, take a look back at the big box office winners and disappointments.

Note: All box office numbers, and those adjusted for inflation, provided by Box Office Mojo.

1985: "Back to the Future"

Domestic opening: \$11.1 million (\$28.7 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Red Sonja," "The Emerald Forest"

In May 1977, "Star Wars" turned the summertime into a box office gold mine, but studios were still tentative about releasing big movies over the Independence Day weekend, home to many family gatherings, friendly barbecues and fireworks displays. However, Universal had high hopes for its kinetic time travel comedy from director Robert Zemeckis, and its ambitions paid off big-time with an \$11.1 million opening on a \$19 million budget.

1986: "Psycho III"

Domestic opening: \$3.2 million (\$7.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Big Trouble in Little China," "Under the Cherry Moon," "About Last Night..." "The Great Mouse Detective"

In a slow year, Prince, John Carpenter and even Disney all took a backseat to the second sequel to the 25-year-old Hitchcock horror classic, although it wasn't much of a victory as all five wide releases debuted within a few hundred thousand dollars of each other.

1987: "Innerspace"

Domestic opening: \$4.7 million (\$11.1 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Adventures in Babysitting"

Joe Dante's silly sci-fi adventure, starring Dennis Quaid and Meg Ryan, handi-

ly topped Chris Columbus' family comedy. There were plenty of laughs to go around, as the previous week saw the debut of "Dragnet" and "Spaceballs."

1988: "Coming to America"

Domestic opening: \$21.4 million (\$47.7 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: none

Eddie Murphy was box office gold at this point, following hits like "Trading Places" and "Beverly Hills Cop." The R-rated "Coming to America," which opened on June 29, had the holiday to itself, although Zemeckis' "Who Framed Roger Rabbit?" had opened big just a week earlier and was still luring families. It wasn't until July 8 when fresh competition arrived in the form of "Arthur 2: On the Rocks," "License to Drive" and "Short Circuit 2."

1989: "Karate Kid 3"

Domestic opening: \$10.3 million (\$23.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Great Balls of Fire!"

The summer already had a box office champ in Tim Burton's "Batman," released June 23, and also saw box office winners in sequels like "Ghostbusters 2" and "Lethal Weapon 2." But, for the July 4 weekend, Ralph Macchio and Noriyuki "Pat" Morita were the team to beat.

1990: "Die Hard 2"

Domestic opening: \$21.7 million (\$47 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Jetsons: The

Movie"

Independence Day fell on a Wednesday in 1990, but studios failed to take advantage of the potentially elongated weekend. Instead, audiences could choose from two films that opened Friday, June 29. Tom Cruise's "Days of Thunder" opened to \$15.4 million, while Bill Cosby's "Ghost Dad" scared up \$4.8 million. The following Friday brought "Die Hard's" Bruce Willis back to the big screen as Detective John McClane, and audiences clearly didn't mind the return trip.

1991: "Terminator 2: Judgment Day"

Domestic opening: \$31.7 million (\$69.1 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Problem Child 2"

Writer-director James Cameron and stars Arnold Schwarzenegger and Linda Hamilton revisited their low-budget 1984 sleeper hit, this time with a lot more money and groundbreaking CGI. The weekend's other sequel was no match.

1992: "A League of Their Own"

Domestic opening: \$13.7 million (\$30.3 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Boomerang"

In a photo finish, the Tom Hanks-Geena Davis baseball comedy outscored Murphy's "Boomerang," which landed in second place with a \$13.6 million haul. Both films finished their domestic runs in a virtual tie as well.

1993: "The Firm"

Domestic opening: \$25.4 million (\$56.1 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Son-in-Law," "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" (reissue)

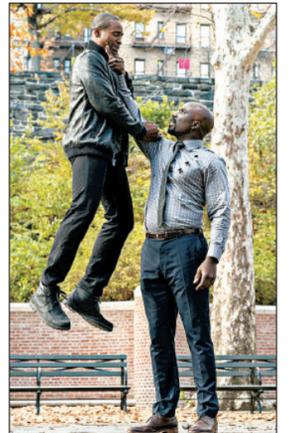
Cruise's nearly unprecedented box office streak continued with this John Grisham legal thriller (it was his second of five movies in a row to gross more than \$100 million). Other studios began to learn to steer clear of Cruise vehicles.

1994: "Forrest Gump"

Domestic opening: \$24.4 million (\$53.6 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The Shadow," "Blown Away," "I Love Trouble" and "Baby's Day Out"

This was another strange calendar year, when July 4 fell on a Monday. Friday, July

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MYLES ARONOWITZ/NETFLIX

Jaiden Kaine, left, and Mike Colter in "Luke Cage."

MY WORST MOMENT

Mike Colter refocused following bad audition

BY NINA METZ
 Chicago Tribune

As the title character in the Netflix series "Luke Cage," Mike Colter plays the hero of Harlem — "a bulletproof black man with Barack's easy smile, Martin's charm and Malcolm's forthright swagger" — who in Season 2 has now become something of a celebrity.

"It changes things because ultimately for him, it's about keeping a low profile," said Colter. "Now, if he can't keep a low profile and operate in the shadows, then he has to embrace that everybody knows who he is. He doesn't have the money to just up and move — and he doesn't have any roots anywhere else. He feels comfortable in Harlem. So he has to redefine what's expected of him and change how he goes about doing things. Obviously people are going to recognize him as a local celebrity who has these superpowers and he doesn't wear a costume. They know where he hangs out. So he has to re-evaluate how he does things, and also affects his sanity. It's a strange place to be in, but he's doing the best he can with it."

Funny thing about not wearing a superhero costume — Luke Cage no doubt has a closetful of sweatshirts torn to shreds by bullet holes.

"We've thought about that!" Colter said. "It was an idea at some point, that he's looking for a hoodie to put on and every one of them, sliding the hangers across in his closet, it looks like moths have taken over. Every one of his sweatshirts has holes in them."

Leading "Luke Cage" is the culmination of many years of hard work and psychological endurance through some cringeworthy moments. When asked to share one from his career for this column, Colter laughed: "God, I have so many stories."

My worst moment ...

"I was just out of grad school and I had moved back to New York from LA, so I was 25 or 26. I was an aspiring actor so I had a day job — a survival job — working in this restaurant. I had an audition for 'Law & Order' and it was a guest star role. I was really looking forward to trying to break into the New York scene because at that moment, not a lot was being shot in New York. So as an actor you're like, 'I've got to get a 'Law & Order' otherwise I'm never going to get on TV and build my resume."

"So I had this opportunity. This audition. But I was up all night being trained as a bartender at this restaurant. I was straining there and I knew it wasn't a good fit because of the hours. I knew I needed to find something more flexible. You can't just work, go home and get no sleep — I needed more time to prepare. That night I was there until 2 or 3 in the morning and my audition was at 10, so I had probably not even looked at that material for more than a half-hour or an

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Winfrey: Running for president 'would kill me'

Oprah Winfrey has a killer reason why she's not running for president.

The famed talk show host — who sparked cries for a campaign back in January — has once again refuted rumors of a run for office, this time saying it's because she wouldn't make it through.

"In that political structure — all the non-truths, the bull---, the crap, the nastiness, the backhanded back-room stuff that goes on — I feel like I could not exist," she told *British Vogue*.

"I would not be able to do it. It's not a clean business. It would kill me."

Talk of a possible 2020 presidential run against President Donald Trump picked up steam after Winfrey's empowering speech at the Golden Globes.

"It's up to the people. She would absolutely do it," her longtime partner Stedman Graham said backstage at the event.

But in the months since, Winfrey, 64, has taken great pains to make it clear that any potential run is out of the question.

"I've always felt very secure and confident with myself in knowing what I could do and what I could not," she told *InStyle* in March. "And so it's not something that interests me."

That same month, she offered up some sage advice for anyone who did decide to run.

"I will say to whoever is going to run for office, do not give your energy to the other side," she told *CNN*.

— *New York Daily News*



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Jackson buried: Jackson family patriarch Joseph Jackson has been buried in the same Southern California cemetery as his late son Michael. A source close to the family who is not authorized to speak publicly said Joe Jackson, above, was laid to rest Monday in a private ceremony at Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale. Jackson died Wednesday in Las Vegas at age 89 and is survived by wife Katherine, eight children and dozens of grandchildren.

Nobel Peace Prize concert halted: The Norwegian organization that oversees the Nobel Peace Prize says a concert typically held after the annual ceremony won't take place in 2018. Norwegian Nobel Institute Director Olav Njølstad said Tuesday that the concert was put on "temporary leave" because of "a wish to rethink the concert format and content." Lionel Richie, Bon Jovi, Aretha Franklin and Mary J. Blige are among the performers who have hosted the event.

Richard Swift dies: Musician, singer-songwriter and producer Richard Swift, who has been in bands such as The Shins, The Arcs and The Black Keys, has died. He was 41. A representative for Swift said he died Tuesday morning in Tacoma, Wash. A GoFundMe account for Swift set up earlier in June said he was hospitalized due to a serious medical condition.

July 4 birthdays: Playwright Neil Simon is 91. Singer Bill Withers is 80. TV talk-show host Geraldo Rivera is 75. Reality star Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino is 36. Singer Melanie Fiona is 35.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Seeking to avoid gender stereotypes

Dear Amy: My husband and I are expecting our first baby. We would prefer to avoid all hyper-gendered baby trappings. For us, this goes beyond pink and blue, as we've seen clothing with incredibly sexist language — e.g., "Born to shop" or "Future trophy wife" for girls and "Lock up your daughters" for boys.

Our goal is to minimize sexism in our parenting. How can we best communicate this to our families?

So far, we've feigned ignorance of our baby's sex, which we know from genetic testing. We'll soon have the midpregnancy ultrasound where sex is usually discovered. Also, we could accidentally use a gendered pronoun.

Would it be best to simply let everyone know our preference for gender-neutral items? Could we tell them we're keeping the sex a secret for now, and why? Or would it be best to just tell the sex, try to say thank-you for all gifts and quietly discard or donate the ones we find to be overly gendered?

How should we handle any sexism issues that may arise later — e.g., if grandma tends to tell a girl that she looks pretty but never asks about her interests or hobbies? While it will be easy to toss sexist gifts, it will be much harder to ignore sexist treatment of our children.

— *Modern Parents*

Dear Modern Parents:

As a society, we are rethinking the binary understanding of gender. And so your baby may be assigned a sex at birth but may develop anywhere along a gender spectrum. When people ask the gender, you

can say, truthfully, "... We'll see!" If people want some direction regarding gifts, you could say, "We're painting the room yellow. Anything with animals on it might be fun."

I applaud your desire to keep the sex private. I loathe "gender-reveal" videos that couples post on social media, showing their unborn child's sex in a variety of "cute" ways.

It is both natural and wise to talk about these important issues, but I hope you will also absorb this basic truism: Life might be perfect, if it weren't for other people.

You could create a non-sexist household and your child might introduce gender-norms into your lives, anyway. Sometimes boys really do prefer trucks to dolls. Many a 4-year-old girl has busted her feminist mother's assumptions through princess-play. Old-fashioned grandmothers will always tell their little granddaughters they are pretty, and granddads might tell their grandsons to "buck up."

Your primary role in your child's life is to explain the world. And sometimes the best explanation is, "It's complicated."

Dear Amy: Each month I volunteer to help a group devoted to families who adopt and foster children. At the last gathering, a same-sex couple attended with their adoptive children. I disagree with this arrangement. I realize my discomfort is old-fashioned and not a very popular opinion these days.

I have nothing against this couple and respect their decision to take these kids into their lives. In this

country, everyone is free to their own opinions and lifestyle choices.

Am I just being a homophobic jerk, or is it OK to disagree with something that I do not understand?

— *Trending but not Trendy*

Dear Trending: Homophobia is the "irrational fear of, aversion to, or discrimination against homosexuals." This seems to apply to you.

You don't say what offends you about two adults adopting children who would otherwise stay in the foster care system — in fact, you say you respect them. So you merely disagree with these people for basically existing in the world, and entering the same space you occupy.

Yes, you are free to hold your opinions about others, and to live your lifestyle. This couple may also be judging you harshly. If you want to assuage your discomfort, make an effort to get to know them.

Dear Amy: "Campster" expressed concern about taking a newly sober friend on their annual camping trip, where they would be with others who were drinking. Thank you for noting how tender his sobriety is.

You should have suggested that the two of them go by themselves on a no-alcohol camping trip.

— *Sober*

Dear Sober: Absolutely. Thank you.

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LINDA EDER SOARS WITH STYLE

Singer hits personal best with engaging and illuminating 'If You See Me'



KRISTAN LIEB/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Linda Eder, shown in 2017, covers all the classic songwriting bases on "If You See Me." The title track is a collaboration between Eder and her son, Jake Wildhorn.



HOWARD REICH
On Music

The first time I encountered Linda Eder, at Park West in 1994, I hardly could believe what I was hearing.

Was it possible that a voice this huge and luxuriant was being applied not to the pop trivialities of the moment but to timeless American songwriting made famous by the likes of Judy Garland and Barbra Streisand, Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday, Frank Sinatra and Tony Bennett? Could it be that an emerging singer, who attracted a small audience to her unheralded Chicago debut, was bringing a fiercely personal perspective to music of the Gershwins, Jule Styne and Paul Simon, as well as more contemporary, Sondheimesque fare?

Those questions soon were answered with a resounding "yes." For that first Chicago concert was no fluke, Eder soon establishing herself as the next great voice in the Garland/

Streisand tradition. If Eder's turn in the musical "Jekyll & Hyde," by her then-husband Frank Wildhorn, brought her new acclaim, it was her solo work — in concert and on record — that defined Eder's position as champion of classic American song.

Eder has recorded steadily and performed judiciously since then, declining to play hundreds of concerts per year, as other singers on the way up often do. As a result, she has managed to preserve and nurture that remarkable instrument despite the passage of decades, as she proves beyond doubt in her newly released, 17th solo album, "If You See Me."

To anyone who values Eder's work in mainstream, swing-tinged repertory — apart from her forays into country-pop singing and self-styled songwriting — "If You See Me" will come as balm. For during the course of its 12 tracks, Eder delivers gems by Styne, Sondheim, Jerry Herman, Cy Coleman and, of course, the Gershwins with all the power, sumptuousness and sensuousness of sound one has come to expect from her (she even renders Andrew Lloyd Webber palatable).

But there's more here, as

well. The insight of Eder's interpretations, the audaciously slow tempos she takes in certain ballads, and the layers of nuance and texture of her vocals indicate an already accomplished singer digging deeper.

In part, this owes to the way the album was recorded: extremely up close and personal. We can hear Eder drawing breath between phrases; we can discern when she chooses to apply a hint of grain or grit to her otherwise silken lines. Every detail of Eder's articulation and timbre are rendered plain to hear, the singer giving listeners some of their closest access yet to the character of her sound.

No track on the album crystallizes the evolution of Eder's work more than her illuminating version of Sondheim's oft-sung "Losing My Mind." Here Eder somehow sustains a classic-pop sensibility while pursuing the song's darkest subtext. The sheer deliberation of her tempo, with Eder investing unmistakable meaning into every passing note, renders this the album's centerpiece.

One simply does not often encounter such sheer beauty of tone tempered by

flashes of sorrow, expressed via a catch in the throat here, a barely whispered note there, a high-register sigh somewhere else. No two phrases — sometimes no two pitches — show quite the same vocal color; Eder continually recasting the music to reflect the emotional undertow of a Sondheim masterpiece.

Eder cheekily invites comparisons to Streisand with her opening selection, Herman's "Before the Parade Passes By," but Eder stands as one of the few vocalists who can do so effectively. As she slowly but inexorably turns up the dial and the tempo, it's impossible to think of anyone else's version but hers, the bloom of her sound and the surge of her crescendos impossible to deny or resist.

Rodgers and Hammerstein's "You'll Never Walk Alone," from "Carousel," may seem like ancient history, but Eder's slowly soaring version emerges as an anthem for the ages. Elsewhere, Eder's sassy, saucy version of "What Did I Have That I Don't Have" refreshes another Streisand landmark; "Bring Him Home," from "Les Misérables," shows Eder making an epic concert aria of the

tune; and a medley of "The Best Is Yet to Come," "The Man I Love" and "Just in Time" attests to her reverence for songs that invite continued re-examination. All of this is accompanied by hefty swing-band arrangements that don't get in the way.

Eder closes the album on a family note: "I Have a Voice," by ex-husband Wildhorn and Robin Lerner, nobly serves its purpose of combating bullying in schools; "If You See Me" marks a collaboration between composer Jake Wildhorn (the singer's son with Frank Wildhorn) and lyricist Eder, the catchy tune evoking vintage Billy Joel.

But of course, it's the standards that drive this album and represent the essence of Eder's art.

"If You See Me" is available at www.lindaeder.com.

Grant Park road trip

The Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park serves as a splendid home for the Grant Park Orchestra, but the institution takes its music into other neighborhoods next week.

Members of the orches-

tra will perform Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons" and Grieg's "Holberg" Suite at 7 p.m. Monday at the South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 S. South Shore Drive; and 7 p.m. July 12 at the Columbus Park Refectory, 5701 W. Jackson Blvd. Concertmaster Jeremy Black will conduct. Free seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis; reserved seats will be available to those showing membership cards to an usher. For more information, phone 312-742-7647 or visit www.gpmf.org.

Pinchas Zukerman's 70th

Eminent violinist Pinchas Zukerman, who turns 70 this month, will celebrate the occasion by leading the Zukerman Trio in an all-Brahms program at 7:30 p.m. July 11 at the Ravinia Festival's Martin Theatre, near Lake-Cook and Green Bay roads, Highland Park; \$40-\$60 tickets; \$10 lawn; phone 847-266-5100 or www.ravinia.org.

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Freedoms help put city on global map

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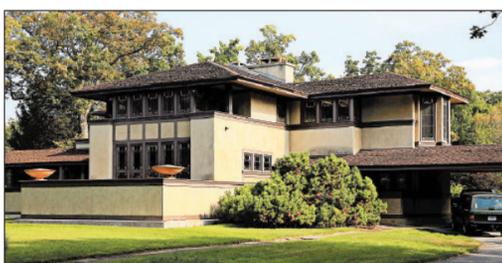
homes hugged the ground while their stucco and wood exteriors nestled quietly into their suburban (not really prairie) settings. Overhanging eaves offered shade while bands of windows let in light. Interior spaces flowed continuously instead of being sliced into separate rooms.

The result was something new, even if, in actuality, Wright's freedom to invent a total work of art tended to limit his clients' freedom to arrange rooms and furnishings to their liking. All architects who break the mold, and who are persuasive (or cunning) enough to bring their clients along for the ride, are in his debt.

The third freedom, *freedom from hierarchy*, is symbolized by Chicago's ubiquitous street grid.

The grid runs uniformly over the city's mostly flat landscape. There's no hill on which the rich people live, no axes of power, as there are in Washington, that direct your eye to shining marble monuments or government buildings. In theory, at least, every block is equal to every other block, and the ethos is democratic, small "D."

The reality, of course, is very different. The grid has



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A home in Highland Park designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.

not prevented Chicago's searing extremes of wealth and poverty, or its residential segregation based on race. At street level, the grid is numbingly repetitive. But seen from an airplane window at night, it rises to the level of poetry — a net of light that spreads, without discrimination, over the darkened city.

The fourth freedom, *a lakefront that is "free,"* is represented by the open spaces of the city's lakefront and the words that public officials wrote in 1836 (the same year Clarke House was built) on a map with the goal of preventing objectionable development in what is now Grant Park.

They labeled it "Public Ground — A Common to Remain Forever Open, Clear, & Free of any Buildings, or other Obstructions Whatever."

Over the decades, open-space advocates have used those words as a rallying cry and legal weapon to fight proposed incursions into Grant Park from such institutions as the Field Museum and the Chicago Children's Museum. While clever legal language allowed the construction of the Pritzker Pavilion in

Millennium Park, which forms Grant Park's northwest corner — the pavilion was labeled "art" to avoid being classified as a building — the open-space ethic of "forever open, clear and free" has proved both durable and powerful.

Like the city's street grid, this version of freedom has a social dimension that contrasts with the objectlike identity of skyscrapers and Prairie School houses. It's about the public spaces that bind together our fractious, ever-more-polarized society.

Their ongoing relevance is underscored by the current edition of the Venice Architecture Biennale, which focuses as much on the quality of spaces between buildings as on knock-your-eyes-out works of architecture. Along with the biennale's title, "Freespace," the subject matter offers a timely reminder that the freedoms we celebrate on July Fourth are both individual and collective.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Paramore delivers hits, catharsis to Chicago fans

By JOSHUA KLEIN
Chicago Tribune

The first words you hear on Paramore's fifth and best album "After Laughter" are hardly the stuff of pick-me-up pop. Quite the contrary. "All that I want is to wake up fine," sings Hayley Williams. "Tell me that I'm alright, that I ain't gonna die."

There's a long history of music disguising the darkest themes with the sunniest of melodies, and Paramore is proud to be part of that tradition. Yet even with the likes of Bruce Springsteen discussing the effects of debilitating depression, it's unusual to hear someone face their fears so directly, so openly, let alone in a new wave-infused pop song with bright, African-inspired guitars and a huge chorus.

It's even more impressive to hear thousands of people singing along, as they did at the end of Paramore's set at Northely Island on Monday night, when that song, "Hard Times," capped around two hours of tight bonding between band and fan. Paramore has been at this for nearly 15 years, since Williams was a teen, but even without that road-tested experience and those stage-strut moves, she's an uncommonly magnetic performer. If the



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Paramore's Hayley Williams at Bonnaroo in June.

more standard-issue angst and aggression of the band's formative pop-punk work like "Ignorance" still seethed, predictably, it took Williams' potent combination of confidence, vulnerability and personality to successfully deliver subtler songs like the gorgeous "Forgiveness" and the stripped-bare "26" to an amped-up outdoor crowd (no matter how sympathetic).

No doubt, catharsis is simple with loud guitars and fast tempos, and to provide the same service with more nuanced introspection is a tougher trick. Certainly other acts might have had trouble with the confessions of "Fake Happy," with its cynical admission "I feel so fake happy, and I bet everybody

here is just as insincere," but the presence of so many like-minded souls in the audience only buoyed the song's shared-experience sentiment. Williams and the band (anchored by charismatic drummer Zac Farro and the sneakily inventive Taylor York on guitar) in turn seemed fueled by the crowd's enthusiasm, all the more impressive coming after so many months on the road. At times it even seemed like Williams needed that release as much as anyone else, so is it any wonder she dedicated "Still Into You" ... to Paramore?

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'THE FIRST PURGE' ★★ 1/2

How societal murder-spree program began

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS
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Warning: The following review contains references to the political content, rampant and pointed, in the "Purge" franchise begun in 2013. With these movies, there's no way around what they're really saying.

The latest "Purge" is an erratic, fairly absorbing and righteously angry prequel. It sets up scenarios in which African-American and Latino resistance fighters rebel against the dear white people exploiting them for bloody political gain. Honestly: There is no avoiding politics and messaging with that setup.

When last we purged, two summers back with "The Purge: Election Year" (2016), our current president was a few months away from the White House. In various degrees of bluntness, screenwriter/director/executive producer James DeMonaco had a few things to say about the fear-mongering tactics that would ultimately put him there.

Now, with a new DeMonaco script directed by second-time feature filmmaker Gerard Mc-

MPAA rating: R (for strong disturbing violence throughout, pervasive language, some sexuality and drug use).

Running time: 1:37

Opens: Wednesday

Murray, "The First Purge" imagines what went down, and why, with the initial 12-hour crime-and-murder spree allowing an angry, disenfranchised U.S. citizenry to blow off steam with zero consequences.

For newbies: This is set a few short years in the future. The third-party American ruler represents the New Founding Fathers of America, backed by the National Rifle Association. The prequel has it that a nonpartisan behavioral scientist has designed the 12-hour societal "experiment" as a way of lessening the crime rate and providing a mass catharsis. Looking a little dazed, Marisa Tomei plays the scientist, Dr. Updale.

The experiment unfolds on Staten Island, N.Y., and those participating in the purge receive \$5,000 plus a bonus if they ramp up the bloodshed personally. Via



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Joivan Wade plays Isaiah and Lex Scott Davis is Nya in "The First Purge," a prequel to the thriller franchise.

the characters' creepy blue surveillance contact lenses, we, the audience, witness the havoc they wreak.

The first few seconds of screen time belong to the story's stone-cold psycho (Rotimi Paul, truly scary as Skeletor). I took no pleasure in the block-party sequence where Skeletor randomly selects his next victims. (It's vicious in a morally inert fashion.) But the franchise lives (or dies) on its own hypocrisy, shaking its head at a society encouraging such sickness while relishing the narrative possibilities.

Neighborhood activist Nya (Lex Scott Davis, lately of "Superfly" and the sole grace note amid the carnage) and her ex-lover, drug lord Dmitri (Y'lan Noel, beefy but indistinct) join forces under fire. They have neighbors and friends and business interests

to protect. One of the wittier details in DeMonaco's functional, largely generic script finds the slavish TV news anchors frustrated by the purge's relatively sluggish start. Then the government's own goon squads, to Dr. Updale's alarm, enter the fray.

The bulk of "The First Purge" is pursuit and evasion, attack and counterattack, multiple, frenzied stabbings followed by multiple, frenzied rounds of automatic gunfire tearing through flesh. A group of residents seek sanctuary in a church, foolishly, while Nya's little brother (Joivan Wade) risks his neck on the streets. "We are all Staten Islanders tonight," the president intones at one point, waiting for things to start cooking.

Modestly budgeted, the "Purge" series has worked fast — four movies in six years. The new one's the most violent, but also the

least propulsive, with a deliberate, lurching, stop-and-start rhythm and subpar digital photography.

Still, it's notable how "The First Purge" puts its Trump-trolling instincts first, riffing on everything from the "Access Hollywood" tape to the casting of Patch Darragh as the string-pulling chief of staff. The actor bears a suspicious resemblance to one-time Trump communications director Sean Spicer. Once the Klan-hooded purgers show up, however, practically begging the people of color on-screen for a comeuppance, the men sporting little American flag pins on their well-pressed lapels cease to matter much.

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A look at July 4 hits and misses

Box office, from Page 1

l's openers included "The Shallow" (\$11.7 million), "Blown Away" (\$10.4 million), "I Love Trouble" (\$7.8 million) and "Baby's Day Out" (\$4 million). Zemeckis' "Gump," starring Hanks, then opened on Wednesday, July 6, to a big \$24.4 million on its way to a stellar \$329.6 million domestic and Oscars for picture, director, lead actor and more.

1995: "Apollo 13"

Domestic opening: \$25.3 million (\$53.3 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Judge Dredd," "Mighty Morphin' Power Rangers"

Hanks came out on top yet again, reteaming with director Ron Howard ("Splash") for this historical drama that appealed to the patriotism of the holiday and provided some high-tech thrills as well.

1996: "Independence Day"

Domestic opening: \$50.2 million (\$104 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Phenomenon"

With a sprawling cast of familiar faces, nifty special effects and, perhaps most importantly, a smart marketing campaign, "ID4" blew up historic landmarks and box office records in equal measure and officially cemented TV star Smith as a blockbuster movie breakout.

1997: "Men in Black"

Domestic opening: \$51 million (\$101.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Out to Sea"

Smith solidified his status as Mr. Fourth of July when this sci-fi/comedy blasted off at the box office.

1998: "Armageddon"

Domestic opening: \$36 million (\$70.4 million when adjusted for inflation)

Never mind that "Deep Impact" mined similar story elements just two months earlier. When "Bad Boys" director Michael Bay decided to team with Willis, Ben Affleck and Aerosmith, other studios balked at the idea of challenging it for the weekend crown.

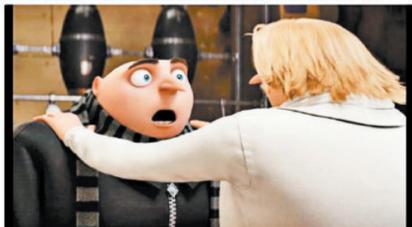
1999: "Wild Wild West"

Domestic opening: \$27.6 million (\$49.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "South Park," "An Ideal Husband" and "Summer of Sam"

Smith's July 4 streak came to an abrupt end with this pricey flop based on the 1960s TV show.

2000: "The Patriot"

Domestic opening: \$22.4 million (\$38 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Perfect Storm," "The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle"



Some Fourth of July holiday releases, clockwise from top left: "Tammy," "Spider-Man 2," "Back to the Future," "Hancock," "Forrest Gump," "Terminator 2: Judgment Day," "Despicable Me 3," "Die Hard 2" and "A League of Their Own."

"Independence Day" director Roland Emmerich appealed to the patriotic sector of the movie-going public even more directly with this tale of the American Revolution starring Mel Gibson and fellow Australian Heath Ledger.

2001: "Cats & Dogs"

Domestic opening: \$21.7 million (\$35.1 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Scary Movie 2," "Kiss of the Dragon"

Another July 4 with no runaway hit, 2001 found "Scary Movie 2" in second place with \$20.5 million, but the family-friendly "Cats & Dogs" won by a whisker.

2002: "Men in Black II"

Domestic opening: \$52.1 million (\$82.2 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Like Mike," "Powerpuff Girls"

Smith retook the July 4 crown with this pricey sequel. Although it enjoyed a bigger opening than the original, the follow-up's domestic haul fell short of the previous film's \$250 million total.

2003: "T3: Rise of the Machines"

Domestic opening: \$44 million (\$66.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Legally Blonde 2," "Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas"

Cameron sat this one out, but Schwarzenegger still made the return trip as the futuristic cyborg. The third chapter failed to reach the same box office heights as its precursor, but was enough to win the weekend and keep the franchise afloat.

2004: "Spider-Man 2"

Domestic opening: \$88.1 million (\$130 million when adjusted for inflation)

Spidey's second big screen outing swung to a mighty \$88 million over the holiday. A victory to be sure, but two years earlier, the original "Spider-Man" opened to a massive \$144.8 million.

2005: "War of the Worlds"

Domestic opening: \$64.8 million (\$92.7 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Rebound"

2005's Independence Day went dark, with Steven Spielberg's bleak update of H.G. Wells' already bleak classic starring Cruise. Audiences still came out in droves, despite the film's downbeat nature, which was atypical for July 4 fare.

2006: "Superman Returns"

Domestic opening: \$52.5 million (\$73.4 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The Devil Wears Prada"

Some 20 years after Christopher Reeve hung up the cape, and a decade before Henry Cavill suited up, Brandon Routh played the world's most famous superhero for this one-off from director Bryan Singer.

2007: "Transformers"

Domestic opening: \$70.5 million (\$93.8 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "License to Wed," "Sicko"

Bay's massive toy-inspired franchise began with a big box office bang and has become as ubiquitous in the summertime as lemonade stands and sunburns.

2008: "Hancock"

Domestic opening: \$62.6 million (\$79.8 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Kit Kitteridge: An American Girl"

Smith wins again, this time playing against type as a drunken, selfish superhero.

2009: "Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs"

Domestic opening: \$41.6 million (\$51.1 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Public Enemies"

The success of "Dawn of the Dinosaurs" illustrates two things

that audiences have embraced over the July 4 holiday in recent years: animation and sequels.

2010: "Twilight Saga: Eclipse"

Domestic opening: \$64.8 million (\$77 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The Last Airbender"

It wasn't so long ago that one of the few surefire hits not involving superheroes or giant robots was a YA franchise with a sparkling vampire at its center. The third film in the series, "Eclipse" endured the lowest opening of the series, but went on to score the biggest domestic total.

2011: "Transformers: Dark of the Moon"

Domestic opening: \$97.8 million (\$112.8 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Larry Crowne," "Monte Carlo"

The third "Transformers" entry offered more robots, more explosions, more *more*, although it didn't reach the same box office highs as its 2009 predecessor.

2012: "Amazing Spider-Man"

Domestic opening: \$62 million (\$73 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Katy Perry: Part of Me," "Savages"

After three hit films with Tobey Maguire as the webslinger, Sony rebooted the series with Andrew Garfield in the lead role. The box office numbers held strong. What superhero fatigue?

2013: "Despicable Me 2"

Domestic opening: \$83.5 million (\$97.5 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The Lone Ranger"

Universal's animated sequel to the surprise 2010 smash outshone the original at the box office. However, the weekend's real story was that Disney suffered a massive misfire with "The Lone

Ranger," starring Armie Hammer as the title hero and Johnny Depp as Tonto. Budgeted north of \$200 million, the film opened to \$29.2 million and limped to a North American total of \$89.3 million.

2014: "Tammy"

Domestic opening: \$21.5 million (\$24.4 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Deliver Us From Evil"

After a string of inexpensive hits like "Bridesmaids," "Identity Thief" and "The Heat," Melissa McCarthy continued her box office streak with the comedy "Tammy."

2015: "Terminator: Genisys"

Domestic opening: \$27 million (\$29.9 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "Magic Mike XXL"

This was the fifth "Terminator" film, and was heralded as the return of Schwarzenegger after he took a break during 2009's "Terminator: Salvation." The film's opening take still disappointed.

2016: "The Legend of Tarzan"

Domestic opening: \$38.5 million (\$41.4 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The BFG," "The Purge: Election Year"

2016's Independence Day box office frame was a particular disappointment, as Spielberg's "The BFG" tanked and "Tarzan's" No. 1 opening earned just under \$40 million.

2017: "Despicable Me 3"

Domestic opening: \$72.4 million (\$74.2 million when adjusted for inflation)
Competition: "The House"

The Steve Carell-voiced Gru returned, this time with twin brother Dru in tow, to once again top the box office. The 2015 spin-off "Minions" also scored with audiences, with a sequel planned for 2020.

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Kelly Clarkson

"Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular" (7 p.m., 9 p.m., NBC): The yearly holiday event in New York is televised again, with "American Ninja Warrior" hosts Matt Iseman and Akbar Gbajabamila presiding over the festivities. Scheduled performers include Kelly Clarkson (accompanied by the West Point Band and Glee Club on "God Bless America," to mark the song's 100th anniversary), Blake Shelton, Ricky Martin and Keith Urban. Of course, fireworks are evident during the course of the special, with an especially giant display capping the telecast.

"Whose Line Is It Anyway?" (8:30 p.m., CW): Though some stories played out at a high pitch by Grace Byers during her time on "Empire" might have generated chuckles, she wasn't necessarily going for humor there ... unlike here, where she purposely aims for laughs as a guest. She joins series regulars Wayne Brady, Colin Mochrie and Ryan Stiles to improvise skits and songs, based on suggestions from the studio audience. Brad Sherwood also appears, and Aisha Tyler is the host.

"Code Black" (9 p.m., CBS): The title of the new episode "One of Our Own" is quite telling, since it refers to Rox (Moon Bloodgood) becoming a patient at the hospital after she's struck by a drunk driver while tending to a firefighter hurt in the line of duty. The doctors naturally are affected personally by the situation — but none more than Willis (Rob Lowe), who recognizes how much Rox has come to mean to him.

"Shark Tank" (9 p.m., ABC): Two previous deal-seekers who seemed to have little success in this show return with a surprising revelation — involving "Shark" Kevin O'Leary — in this episode. As for newcomers here, a Brooklynite introduces a splatter-proof kitchen invention, and a Miami inventor presents a stroller that also serves as a workout machine.

"Colony" (9 p.m., USA): Will and Katie (Josh Holloway, Sarah Wayne Callies) begin to worry that their family is not as safe in Seattle as they had hoped in the new episode "Sea Spray." Elsewhere, Amy (Peyton List) decides to part company with Broussard (Tory Kittles), and Snyder (Peter Jacobson) digs up what may turn out to be some valuable dirt on Everett Kynes (Wayne Brady).

"1776" (9:15 p.m., TCM): Who knew history could be so ... catchy? Clever writing and perfect casting — William Daniels, Howard da Silva and Ken Howard seem born to the roles of John Adams, Ben Franklin and Thomas Jefferson — make this 1972 musical one of the best "based on actual events" flicks ever. The actual events, of course, are the drafting, debating and signing of the Declaration of Independence. That's Blythe Danner as Martha Jefferson.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): The cast of "Avengers: Infinity War"; Chris Pratt; Scarlett Johansson; Chris Hemsworth; Anthony Mackie; Danai Gurira.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Jimmy Fallon brings A-list guests, signature comedy bits and chart-topping music to late night.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Financier Anthony Scaramucci; attorney Michael Avenatti; actress Betty Gilpin; Chromeo and D.R.A.M. perform.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

* Subject to change

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BROADCAST	CBS 2	Young Sheldon ©	Young Sheldon ©	Big Brother (N) ©		Code Black: "One of Our Own." (N) ©		News (N) *
	NBC 5	Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular (N) (Live) ©				Macy's 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular ©		NBC 5 News (N) *
	ABC 7	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Modern Family	American Housewife	Shark Tank ©		News at 10pm (N) *
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N)	Chicago Sun	WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy
	This TV 9.3	*(6) Chitty Chitty Bang Bang (G,'68) *** ©				The Natural (PG,'84) *** ©		
	PBS 11	A Capitol Fourth (N) (Live) ©			A Capitol Fourth ©			A Few Good Pie Places *
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		The Game	The Game	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek: "Spock's Brain."		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek *
	Bounce 26.5	One on One	Alexandra	The Cookout (PG-13,'04) *	Ja Rule, Tim Meadows.			Blade ***
	FOX 32	MasterChef: "World Cup Dishes." ©		Gordon Ramsay's 24 Hours to Hell and Back		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
Ion 38	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods: "Genetics."		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Blood *	
Telem 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) ©		Sin Senos Sí (N)		El señor de los cielos (N)		Chicago (N)	
CW 50	Howie Mandel Stand-Up		Whose Line		Dateline ©		Dateline *	
UniMas 60	Reto 4 elementos: Naturaleza extrema				República Mundialista ©			
WJYS 62	Salem Baptist Church	Joyce Meyer	Robison		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Monument	
Univ 66	El rico y Lázaro (N)	La bella y las bestias (N)			Por amar sin ley		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	Ozzy & Jack's		Ozzy & Jack's		Ozzy & Jack's		Ozzy *
	AMC	*(6:15) Jaws (PG,'75) ***	Roy Scheider. ©			(9:15) Jaws 2 (PG,'78) ***		
	ANIM	Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane Pools (N)		Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane *
	BBCA	Planet Earth: Wild West		Planet Earth: Blue Planet II ©				Earth *
	BET	Hit the Floor: "Carrying."		Hit the Floor		Hit the Floor: "Upset."		Hit *
	BIGTEN	Football	100000 C	Ohio State		The Game		MSU *
	BRAVO	* School	(7:45) The School of Rock (PG-13,'03) ***	Jack Black. ©		Talladega *		
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
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	CNN	Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony *
	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Daily *
	DISC	American Chopper (N) ©				Sticker Shock (N) ©		Misfit *
	DISN	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven	Raven	Stuck	Stuck	Andi Mack
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	ESPN2	* Hot Dog Eat. 2018 World Series of Poker: Main Event.		From Las Vegas. (N) (Live) *				
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Guy's Grocery Games		Grocery *
	FREE	*(6:30) Armageddon (PG-13,'98) **	Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton. ©			700 Club *		
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	HALL	Fourth of July at the White House (N)		The Middle		The Middle		The Middle
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	HISTV	American Pickers: "Celebrating Independence Day." (N) ©						Pickers *
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	IFC	* National Lamp. Christmas		National Lampoon's Vacation (R,'83) ** ©				
	LIFE	Two Weeks Notice (PG-13,'02) **	Sandra Bullock.			(9:03) Marley & Me (PG,'08) ***		
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word		11th Hour (N)
	MTV	Jersey Shore ©		Jersey Shore ©		Jersey Shore ©		Jersey *
	NBCSCH	* MLB Baseball: White Sox at Reds (N)				Postgame	The Loop (N)	The Loop (N)
	NICK	Double Dare	Double Dare	The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water ***				Friends *
	Ovation	*(6:30) XXX (PG-13,'02) **	Vin Diesel, Asia Argento.			Under Siege ('92) ***		
	OWN	Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar		Sugar *
OXY	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		NCIS ©		NCIS *	
PARMT	* Indiana Jones		Raiders of the Lost Ark (PG,'81) ****		Harrison Ford. ©			
SYFY	* Lake Placid	National Treasure: Book of Secrets (PG,'07) **	Nicolas Cage. ©		In Time ***			
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal	Conan © *	
TCM	Yankee Doodle Dandy (NR,'42) ****	James Cagney.			(9:15) 1776 (PG,'72) ***			
TLC	*(6) My 600-Lb. Life ©		The 685-Lb. Teen ©		Dr. Pimple Popper ©		685-Lb. *	
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WGN America	Godzilla (PG-13,'14) **	Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Ken Watanabe. ©			Godzilla (PG-13,'14) **			
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	STZNC	*(6:44) Sons of Liberty		(8:13) Platoon (R,'86) ****		Tom Berenger. ©		You Only *

Colter's prep work repaid with 'Luke Cage' role

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hour. That's not how, as an actor, you prepare.

"So ultimately I was not prepared. I went in and the audition was terrible — I really can't recall the specifics of it because I blocked it out! It's one of those things where something is really bad, your mind has a way of shutting down those memories and that piece of your life.

"I never was one to call my agent for feedback, but I remember calling about this one because I was curious how bad it was. He had a British accent and he tells me (*speaks in a British accent*): 'Michael, listen: You didn't do very good at all. That audition was rubbish.' He said the words they used were: 'He isn't ready for prime time.'

"I mean, those words stuck with me. You're telling me I can't carry a story! And that was coming from a casting director who cast a lot of people. And in that moment they were absolutely right in terms of what I showed them. It was my own fault."

What was going through his mind when got the bad news?

"It was a wake-up call. You get a few of those in your life. For me, I knew they were wrong — so wrong! They couldn't be more wrong! I knew why they said that, but it was very difficult to process. I mean, I saw myself being a lead in a TV show and movies. So when they said I wasn't ready for prime time, I felt like I had already been destroyed before I got started. I had literally just gotten to town and I'm already blacklisted with the only franchise that shoots in New York! There were, like, three casting directors in town and one of them already didn't like me — and

I'm sure they talk, so I was done. I was never going to work. The end of the world, that's what it felt like.

"So I swore that would never happen again and I quit that bartending job the next day because I started hearing that song in my head, that Billy Joel song 'Piano Man' and there's this part in the song where he sings about the bartender: 'He's quick with a joke or a light for your smoke but there's someplace that he'd rather be.' And he tells the piano man he's sure he could be a movie star if he could just get out of this place. That's what it felt like — like you can get trapped. I know people who that's happened to.

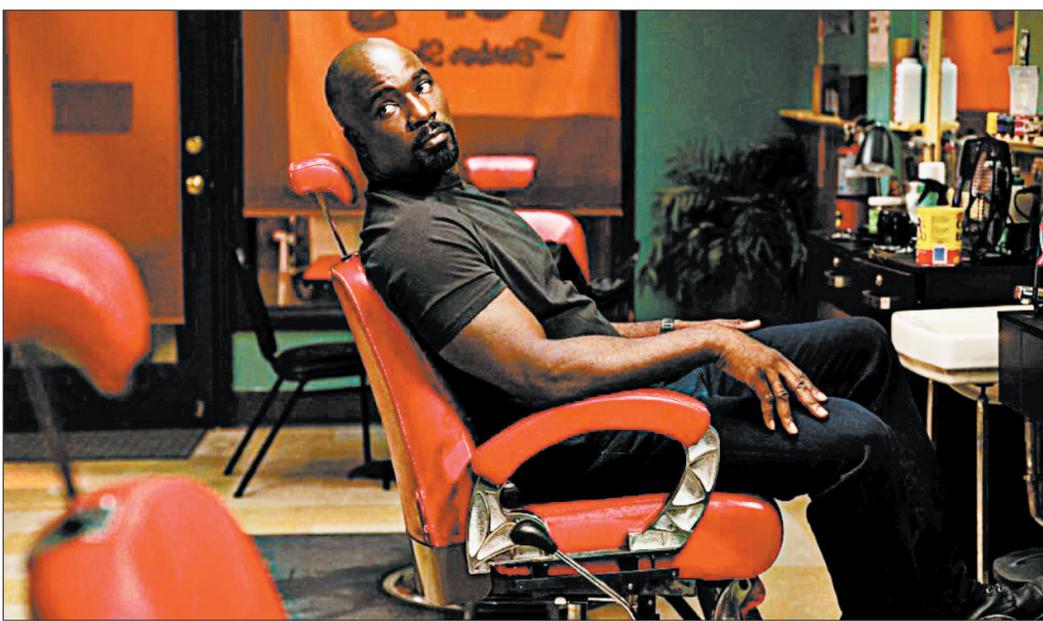
"It scared the bejesus out of me so badly. And I was like, I can't squander these opportunities and I can't have that be my first impression again."

What kind of day job did he end up getting?

"I bounced around a bit with stuff that was part time and if I would butt up against something that didn't feel right, I would just quit. I did hotel reservations for a bit, which was the worst thing because I am not an office guy at all.

"I finally found a job that lasted seven years because they would let me go and come as I pleased, waiting tables at this place called Island restaurant on the Upper East Side. It's still there, the owners are great. I was lucky to get in, they had never hired anybody who looked like me — I stuck out like a sore thumb, this big 6-foot-3 guy squeezing himself between tables. It was a bunch of girls — and then me. I'm a people person, so if I'm in a situation where I deal with people on a regular basis, I'll flourish.

"I worked a tough shift: doubles on Saturdays and



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"Luke Cage" star Mike Colter worked for years in the restaurant business in New York while auditioning.

Sundays from open to close, and then I also worked Mondays. So I got 40 or 45 hours in over three days. It sucked, I never had any weekends. But it freed me up all week to do auditions. And I did it because I had to make money, but I also had to have a shot at my career. I wish I had planned earlier in life about what was I going to do for my survival job. That was something I didn't really think about until I realized I didn't have any skills outside of acting!"

Which acting job allowed him to quit the survival job?

"Before getting to the job that allowed me to quit, I had booked a role in 'Million Dollar Baby,' which was a really big movie and it won all these awards. It was a big job, but I also knew this was not necessarily going to catapult me. It was a smaller role and it was a good start and I knew it would lead to something.

"The problem was, I didn't have the financial freedom to quit my job. I needed to work at the restaurant. And it was a good survival job! So I had to decide, do I keep my survival job and just suck it up and give myself peace of

mind financially and know exactly how I'm going to pay my bills? Or was I going to jump off the cliff as an artist and go from off-Broadway show to off-Broadway show; guest role to guest role? And for me, I didn't want to do that. I was married and didn't want to have an unstable lifestyle.

"But I was starting to get recognized at work, which was a problem! I felt like a sideshow freak. People would come in and go, 'Oh my God, you're ...' and I would say, 'Yes (*exasperated sigh*), can I take your order?' It was starting to happen to me a lot, especially when I started working on 'The Good Wife.'

"The thing is, even when I was eventually able to quit I didn't because I felt like, if I have time to work, then I felt like I should work. Obviously my ego's going to take a hit if I'm recognized for being an actor on TV and I'm still waiting tables. But I wanted to work, and it was more money, and I was like, what's wrong with a little more money? That was my insecurity. That was me wanting to save for a rainy day.

"Then I got my first series regular job, it was a show called 'Ringer' with Sarah Michelle Gellar and I

thought, 'Maybe I'll quit my job. *Maybe*.' So I didn't even say, 'I quit' — I said, 'I'm going to stop working for the near future and I will let you know in a couple months whether I'm coming back.' It seemed like I was never going leave! That no matter how much success I had, I was always going to keep a shift or two.

"I still go in to get a bite to eat, but as far as doing a shift? No. It would be fun for about an hour. And then as soon as it got busy, I would be like, what am I doing? I don't want to hustle and run and sweat! I've finally shaken all that."

The takeaway ...

"Every time I think about the journey, that audition was a turning point. Where it's like, if you don't respond the right way to this, your career is going in a different direction.

"When something like that happens it's a gut check. How do you respond to rejection? To bad news? Am I what I think I am? Or am I faking it? And usually what it comes down to is just work. Am I going to do this or not? I think people sometimes sabotage themselves and they don't even know they're doing it. They just can't get the momen-

tum because psychologically they're always considering themselves second best. Or: 'Maybe it's not meant for me.' And you wear that into a room. I had to get over that hump.

"And the way I did that was I started looking at every audition as an exercise and a workout instead of a chance to get a job, so when I walked out of the room, it wouldn't matter if I was wrong for the role — that I was a foot too tall or the wrong everything — it didn't matter because I had the opportunity to do something cool and play and entertain them for whatever moment it was.

That's the process; for every hundred auditions, you might get one job. And eventually those numbers will change. But you can't go in there thinking this is a result-oriented process. You can't worry about that.

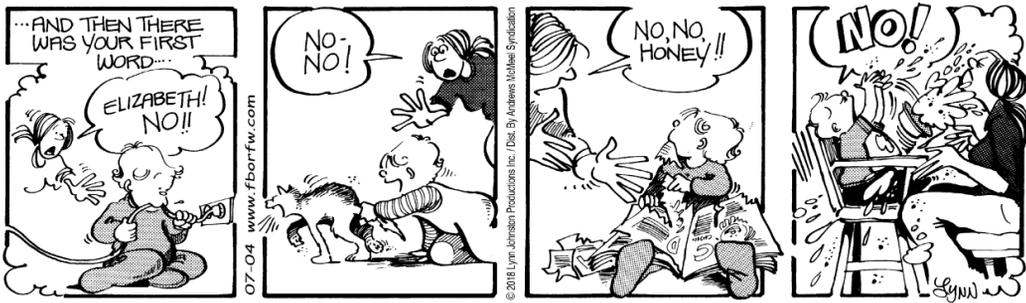
"And by the way, I ended up doing all the 'Law & Orders' in town except for the original, oddly enough, because it had already gone off the air. And you know what? I'm still annoyed I didn't do the original! It's just one of those things. But I have to say, I am just a little annoyed!"

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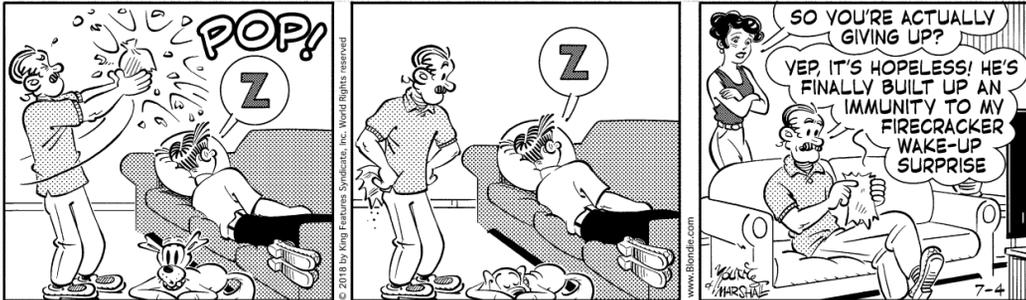
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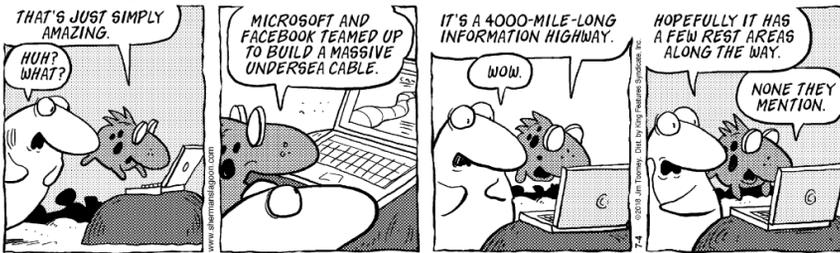
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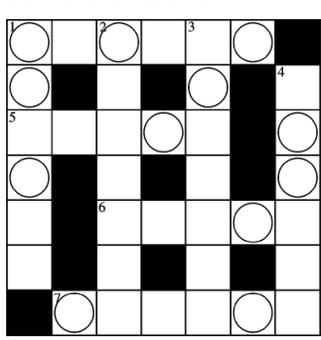
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Trivia Bits

Cyrillic joined Latin and Greek as official alphabets of the European Union when which country became an EU member in 2007?
 A) Bulgaria
 B) Hungary
 C) Romania
 D) Turkey
 Tuesday's answer: The Yoshino cherry trees planted along the Tidal Basin in Washington, D.C., were a gift to the United States from Japan.
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Jumble Crossword



CLUE ACROSS

1. Commence, launch
 5. Oomph
 6. Cool
 7. Swiped

CLUE DOWN

1. Overwhelm
 2. 14th-century helmet
 3. ___ of people
 4. It can come with a book

ANSWER

BRAMKE
 STGUO
 FNTYI
 LESNTO

ANSWER

GUENF
 SBAITEN
 OMFLRUO
 ARONYC

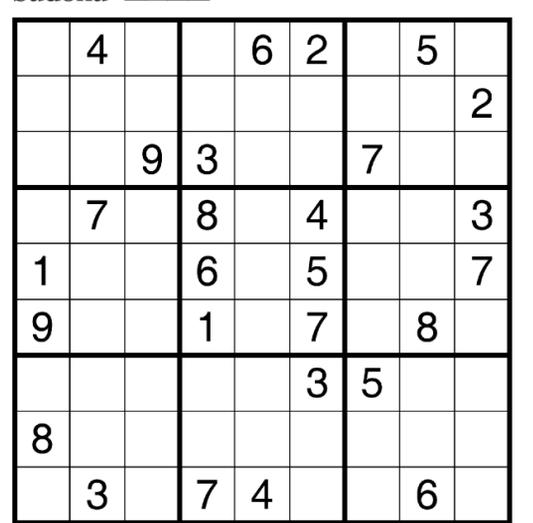
How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS [Grid]

CLUE: This actor ranked 21st on "The 50 Greatest Screen Legends" list by the American Film Institute.

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4



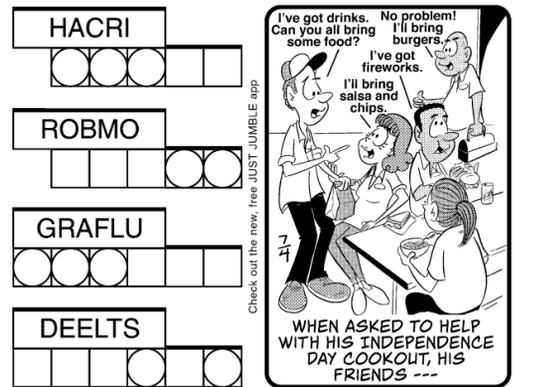
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6	5	4	8	2	1	7	3	9

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Tuesday's solutions
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Jumble

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

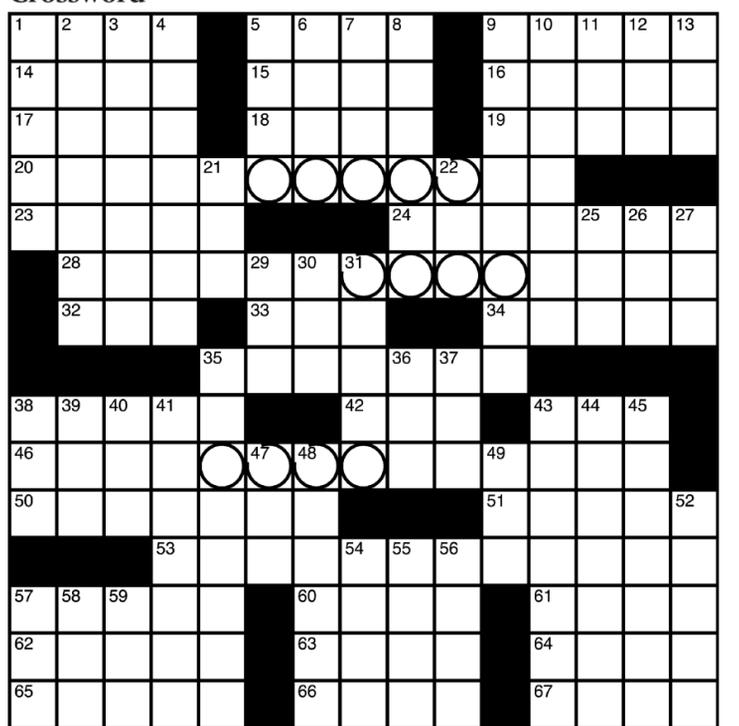


Answer here

[Grid]

Tuesday's answers
 Jumbles: WATCH GRIND TIMELY UNTOLD
 Answer: When Harry and Meghan splashed each other on their honeymoon, it was a — ROYAL "WETTING"
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Crossword



Across

1 Error
 5 Place for a panel
 9 Chemistry lab fluids
 14 "Gray's Anatomy," for one
 15 Austen novel
 16 Four-page sheet
 17 Wilson of "Father Figures"
 18 Ground corn, e.g.
 19 "Poems are made by fools like me" poem
 20 "What a terrifying experience!"
 23 ___ Major: constellation
 24 Fitting
 28 "Love to everyone!"
 32 Summer on the Seine
 33 Sch. term
 34 Author Joyce Carol ___
 35 Arctic deer
 38 Org. providing creature comfort?
 42 Sue Grafton's "___ for Lawless"

Down

43 "Cats" monogram
 46 Leave the firm to work solo
 50 Run
 51 "There is ___ in the affairs of men": Brutus
 53 They're "presented" in 20-, 28- and 46-Across
 57 Sprint, e.g.
 60 Bearded critter
 61 Picket fence piece
 62 First-stringers
 63 Quasimodo creator
 64 Head, in Le Havre
 65 Muckety-muck
 66 Lose one's cool
 67 River of central Germany

26 Sugar suffix
 27 GPS lines
 29 Safety org. with "Travel Tips" blog posts
 30 Part of HMS
 31 First name in American poetry
 35 Ancient underground tunnel
 36 Sci. course
 37 Stillwater sch.
 38 In the past
 39 Absorb, with "up"
 40 "The Tell-Tale Heart" author
 41 Mai tai liqueur
 43 How food may be salted
 44 Moved like a dust devil
 45 Last chance to catch a live show
 47 Baseball legend Mel
 48 Paddock sounds
 49 Like fish in ceviche
 52 Fragrant compound
 54 Soup or salad
 55 Wildly enthusiastic (over)
 56 Surmounting
 57 Khaki kin
 58 Landing hr. calculation
 59 Isr. neighbor

Tuesday's solution

MAGIC MAJ WIVES
 ERICA AGE ANICES
 LONER MID GATOR
 OMS FEELINGFINE
 NAUSEATE ELEC
 ERR WAYWARD
 FIBERPLANT NIA
 ROOMY ORB SHIER
 ATT FOCALPOINT
 TATAMIS UEY
 OLAF TELLTIME
 FUMLEDBALL VEX
 AVOID ROG IRANI
 REUNE ONE NONOS
 JEATON PIER GIANT

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 4 NORMAL HIGH: 84° NORMAL LOW: 63° RECORD HIGH: 102° (2012) RECORD LOW: 50° (1972)

Steamy Fourth could feature natural fireworks

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 93 LOW 75

■ Heat advisory in effect noon to 7 PM except for Cook and Lake counties.

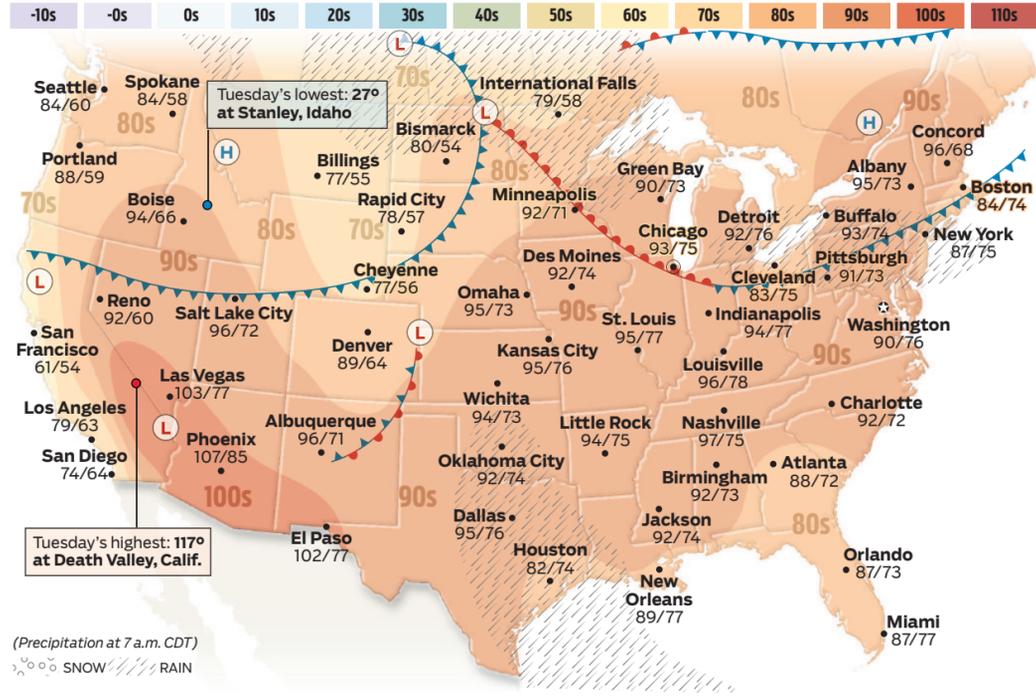
■ Heat expands across the Midwest making for a sticky Fourth of July.

■ South winds around 10 mph become SW in the afternoon. Light air flow allows a lake breeze to develop, perhaps moving inland to the tri-state in Cook and Lake counties.

■ Clouds build as temps near highs in the low-mid 90s; heat index climbs to around 105. Beach temps hold closer to 80.

■ T-storms erupt in the steamy air, effecting as much as 50 percent of the metro area. Partly cloudy, muggy overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



After a one-day reprieve, tropical heat and humidity has returned. Riding a southeast wind, dew points rose as high as 78 at Peru and 77 at Morris and Joliet. Temperatures reached the low 90s inland, but a lake breeze kept peak readings in the low and mid 80s at Downtown and North Shore locations. Similar conditions can be expected for July Fourth. The combination of heat and humidity is likely to send the heat index to around 105, and the National Weather Service issued a heat advisory for most of the metro area. The exception will be the city and north suburbs, where a lake breeze could limit highs to the 80s. Localized cooling may also come from thunderstorms likely to develop as the atmosphere destabilizes during the afternoon. No severe weather is anticipated, but brief downpours are expected.

THURSDAY, JULY 5

HIGH 93 LOW 67

Continued hot and humid. Scattered t-storms focus along a southbound cold front, mainly midday through early evening. Temps peak in the upper 80s and low 90s. Clearing, cooler overnight.

FRIDAY, JULY 6

HIGH 78 LOW 64

Sunny, breezy, and much more comfortable. NE winds 15-20 mph bring a noticeable drop in humidity. Highs reach the low 80s far W-S, but stay in the low 70s lakeside. Fair, pleasant at night.

SATURDAY, JULY 7

HIGH 83 LOW 64

High pressure sprawled across the region brings pleasant summer weather. Sunny and seasonably warm, with light winds and low humidity. High temps low-mid 80s inland, 70s at the beaches.

SUNDAY, JULY 8

HIGH 88 LOW 67

Some patchy high/mid-level clouds, otherwise sunny. Trending warmer as high pressure heads east, and winds turn S-SW at 10-15 mph. Afternoon temps climb to 90 degrees in spots.

MONDAY, JULY 9

HIGH 94 LOW 72

Hot, and becoming more humid. SW winds increase to 10-20 mph, drawing heat eastward from the Plains. Temps reach late-day highs in the low-mid 90s. T-storms possible late at night.

TUESDAY, JULY 10

HIGH 93 LOW 75

Little change. Continued hot and humid under partly cloudy skies. Isolated late-day t-storms possible, but storms will tend to be more likely during the overnight hours. SW winds 10-20 mph.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
What is a mesoscale convective system? It was mentioned in a recent graphic in the Tribune as a "potential wild card." Why was that?
— Joy Hajduk-DeGraff

Dear Joy,
A mesoscale convective system is a large, organized cluster of thunderstorms that tend to produce rain, wind and lightning. They often form in the central U.S. after sunset, reaching their peak intensity overnight. Movement is frequently east as the cluster matures with overall weakening after sunrise. An MCS tends to form on the north edge of a hot air mass in an area of strong low-level winds, referred to as the "low-level jet." It is often dubbed a "wild card" because the cloudiness after the storm cluster dissipates can be a "forecast buster," holding temperatures in the 70s and 80s when 90-degree-plus readings were expected.

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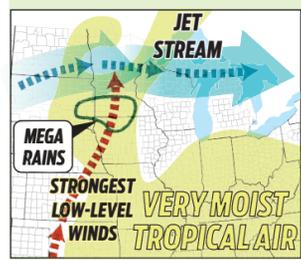
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Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



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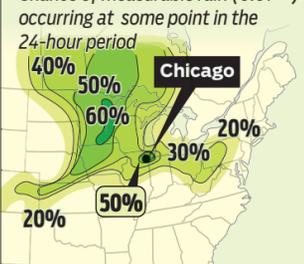
MONDAY'S FLOOD-GENERATING ATMOSPHERIC SET-UP
Mega-rains unleashed by Monday's thunderstorms



Monday/Monday night rainfalls

Currie, Minn.	8.61"	Lucan, Minn.	4.55"
Redwood Falls, Minn.	7.12"	Dehli, Minn.	4.32"
Ghent, Minn.	6.50"	Marshall, Minn.	4.00"
Near Zell, S.D.	5.50"	Spink Colony, S.D.	3.80"

24-HR PRECIP PROBABILITY
Forecast for 7 a.m. Wednesday through Wednesday night
Chance of measurable rain (0.01"+) occurring at some point in the 24-hour period



CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES
Most numerous in the afternoon and evenings

	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7 A.M.-7 P.M.	54%	45%	2%	0%	1%
7 P.M.-7 A.M.	19%	29%	1%	0%	

WIDESPREAD JULY 4th HEAT
Heat Advisories Excessive Heat Warning
Potential Severe Weather
Marginal Risk Slight Risk



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MIDWEST CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	94	74	pc	95	75
Carbondale	ts	91	75	ts	90	70
Champaign	ts	91	74	ts	90	70
Decatur	ts	91	74	ts	90	70
Moline	cl	89	75	cl	89	66
Peoria	ts	89	75	ts	90	69
Quincy	ts	93	77	ts	92	70
Rockford	cl	87	73	cl	86	63
Springfield	ts	91	75	ts	91	72
Stirling	ts	88	74	ts	87	65
Indiana	pc	94	74	pc	92	72
Bloomington	pc	94	76	pc	95	74
Evansville	ts	91	75	ts	88	68
Fort Wayne	ts	91	75	ts	91	73
Indianapolis	ts	91	73	ts	91	73
Lafayette	ts	91	73	ts	89	69
South Bend	ts	90	74	ts	85	65
Wisconsin	ts	90	73	ts	87	60
Green Bay	ts	85	73	ts	87	60
Kenosha	ts	85	73	ts	86	62
La Crosse	ts	89	75	ts	86	62
Madison	ts	88	73	ts	84	61
Milwaukee	ts	89	73	ts	85	62
Wausau	ts	89	70	ts	84	56
Michigan	pc	92	76	pc	90	66
Detroit	ts	93	75	ts	87	63
Grand Rapids	ts	92	74	ts	86	63
Marquette	ts	90	71	ts	85	55
St. Ste. Marie	pc	90	68	ts	85	55
Traverse City	ts	92	74	ts	73	59
Iowa	ts	91	71	ts	84	61
Ames	ts	91	71	ts	84	61
Cedar Rapids	ts	91	72	ts	85	61
Des Moines	ts	92	74	ts	84	64
Dubuque	ts	90	73	ts	86	62

OTHER U.S. CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	pc	96	71	ts	89	67
Albuquerque	pc	96	71	ts	89	67
Amarillo	pc	96	68	su	89	66
Anchorage	cl	72	58	sh	71	57
Asheville	pc	88	68	ts	85	66
Aspen	pc	84	51	ts	80	48
Atlanta	ts	88	72	cl	88	71
Atlantic City	pc	82	73	ts	82	74
Austin	ts	95	72	ts	92	75
Baltimore	su	86	77	su	89	79
Birmingham	pc	92	73	ts	90	72
Bismarck	pc	80	54	ts	82	62
Boise	su	94	66	su	102	67
Boston	pc	84	74	ts	92	75
Brownsville	pc	94	79	ts	92	76
Burlington	su	96	74	ts	93	74
Charlottesville	pc	93	72	ts	91	72
Charlotte	ts	92	72	ts	91	72
Charlton SC	pc	93	75	ts	92	74
Charlton WV	pc	95	72	ts	92	71
Chattanooga	pc	97	73	ts	90	72
Cheyanne	pc	77	56	ts	79	56
Cincinnati	pc	94	76	ts	93	72
Cleveland	ts	83	75	ts	83	69
Cok. Spgs	pc	88	60	ts	80	59
Columbia MO	pc	94	75	ts	94	73
Columbia SC	pc	91	73	ts	91	71
Columbus	ts	93	76	ts	89	71
Concord	ts	96	68	ts	96	74
Crps Christi	ts	88	77	ts	87	76
Dallas	pc	95	76	ts	96	79
Daytona Bch.	ts	84	73	ts	85	73
Denver	pc	89	64	ts	84	63
Duluth	ts	74	65	ts	76	57
El Paso	pc	102	77	ts	96	73

WORLD CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Fairbanks	pc	78	56	pc	71	50
Fargo	ts	87	58	ts	80	57
Flagstaff	pc	81	51	ts	89	55
Fort Myers	ts	90	73	ts	91	75
Fort Smith	pc	95	75	ts	95	75
Fresno	pc	88	68	ts	85	66
Grand Junc.	su	98	66	ts	98	66
Great Falls	pc	76	51	ts	90	61
Harrisburg	ts	86	75	ts	90	76
Hartford	ts	90	73	ts	90	75
Helena	su	97	63	ts	91	67
Honolulu	sh	86	75	ts	91	73
Houston	ts	82	74	ts	93	76
Int'l Falls	ts	79	58	ts	74	52
Jackson	pc	92	74	ts	92	72
Jacksonville	ts	86	76	ts	85	75
Jameau	pc	82	56	ts	78	58
Kansas City	pc	95	76	ts	93	75
Las Vegas	su	103	77	ts	106	82
Lexington	pc	94	75	ts	91	73
Lincoln	su	97	72	ts	87	68
Little Rock	su	94	75	ts	93	75
Los Angeles	su	79	63	ts	83	67
Louisville	pc	96	78	ts	95	76
Macon	pc	91	72	ts	92	70
Memphis	ts	88	75	ts	90	76
Miami	ts	91	74	ts	92	75
Minneapolis	ts	92	71	ts	83	63
Mobile	ts	88	75	ts	87	75
Montgomery	ts	91	74	ts	92	71
Nashville	ts	87	75	ts	90	75
New Orleans	ts	89	77	ts	87	76
New York	pc	87	75	ts	86	76
Norfolk	pc	88	73	ts	85	73
Ola, City	pc	92	74	ts	91	73
Omaha	pc	95	73	ts	94	75
Orlando	ts	87	73	ts	86	73

WORLD CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Palm Beach	ts	86	74	ts	87	76
Palm Springs	su	107	77	ts	112	84
Philadelphia	cl	89	74	cl	89	76
Phoenix	pc	107	85	ts	114	93
Pittsburgh	ts	91	73	ts	85	71
Portland, ME	su	89	68	ts	86	73
Portland, OR	sh	88	59	ts	87	60
Portland, ME	su	89	68	ts	86	73
Reno	su	92	60	ts	92	61
Richmond	cl	91	72	ts	91	73
Rochester	pc	92	73	ts	89	68
Sacramento	su	80	53	ts	90	62
Salem, Ore.	cl	85	55	ts	85	60
Salt Lake City	su	96	72	ts	100	73
San Antonio	ts	101	74	ts	92	75
San Diego	su	74	64	ts	79	67
San Francisco	pc	61	54	ts	64	56
San Juan	pc	87	78	ts	88	77
San Jose	pc	90	64	ts	81	57
Savannah	ts	86	73	ts	87	72
Seattle	sh	84	60	ts	85	60
Shreveport	pc	93	76	ts	94	77
Sioux Falls	ts	89	67	ts	83	60
Spokane	pc	84	58	ts	97	64
St. Louis	pc	95	77	ts		

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MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE



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Mental health experts say the first step in recognizing possible mental illness in your children is to know their habits and patterns — to spot when they deviate from them — and to create an environment where they feel comfortable talking with you.

How to read teen troubles

Try to separate warning signs of mental illness from typically erratic behavior

BY EMILY BAZAR
Kaiser Health

Mary Rose O'Leary has shepherded three children into adulthood and teaches art and music to middle-school students.

Despite her extensive personal and professional experience with teens, the Eagle Rock, Calif., resident acknowledges she's often perplexed by their behavior.

"Even if you have normal kids, you're constantly questioning, 'Is this normal?'" says O'Leary, 61.

Teenagers can be volatile and moody. They can test your patience, push your buttons and leave you questioning your sanity — and theirs.

Mental health challenges are a serious — and growing — problem for teenagers: Teen and young-adult suicide has nearly tripled since the 1940s.

The rate of 12- to 17-year-olds who struggled with clinical depression increased by 37 percent in a decade, according to a recent study.

And schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders often manifest themselves in adolescence.

In fact, half of all mental health conditions emerge by age 14 and three-quarters by 24, says Dr. Steven Adelsheim, director of the Stanford Center for Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing, part of Stanford University's psychiatry department.

For parents, it's often hard to

separate the warning signs of mental illness from typically erratic teenage behavior.

When O'Leary's son, Isaac, now 23, was a teen, he had two run-ins with police — once for hosting a wild party while his mom was away and again when he and a friend climbed up on the roof and challenged each other to shoot BB guns.

O'Leary dismissed those incidents as teenage pranks. But she did start to worry when she was in the midst of divorce proceedings with her then-husband and noticed that Isaac started exhibiting some unusual behavior. He complained of stomachaches and racked up absences from school.

That's when she decided it was time for the family to see a therapist.

Mental health experts say the first step in recognizing possible mental illness in your children is to know their habits and patterns — to spot when they deviate from them — and to create an environment in which they feel comfortable talking with you.

Instead of asking your teen to talk, share an activity that will give your child the chance to open up: Cook dinner together, walk the dog, take a drive, says Tara Niendam, an associate professor in psychiatry at the University of California, Davis.

"You just want to know how they're doing as a person. How are things going at school? How

are their friends? How are they sleeping?" she explains.

As part of getting to know your teen, monitor and limit your child's social media activity, says Dr. Amy Barnhorst, vice chair for community mental health in the UC-Davis psychiatry department. "Social media gives us this important window into what's going on in teenagers' lives," she says.

Once you know your child's baseline, you'll be more attuned to signs of mental illness: persistent changes in your child's everyday life that last more than a week or two.

Be aware of disruptions in sleep, appetite, grades, weight, friendships — even hygiene.

Maybe your son is spending even more time alone in his room. Perhaps your daughter, who is particular about her appearance, stops wearing makeup and isn't showering.

"It's really when you see kids falling off the curve in every sphere of their lives," Barnhorst says. "They're having problems with their academics, problems with their family, problems with their friends, and problems with their activities."

Remember, you're looking for changes in many aspects of your child's life that last for a few weeks, not the typical — but temporary — sadness that comes with a breakup or the unfortunate mouthing off you get when you ask your kid to clean his room.

If your child still has the same friends and is participating in the same activities, unpleasant behavior "is not necessarily something to worry about," Barnhorst says. "That could just be teenagers going through growing pains."

But some behavioral changes could indicate a deeper problem. For instance, teenagers with depression may be more irritable than usual, Adelsheim says. They might snap at friends or even the family dog, he says.

"Young people will talk about their fuse being shorter than normal," Adelsheim says. "Things that normally wouldn't bother them do bother them."

When you become worried that your child's behavior may indicate something more serious, offer your child love and support — and seek help, experts say. (And avoid phrases like "What's wrong with you?" and "Snap out of it" when talking with your kids, Niendam advises.)

If your child threatens suicide, or you think he's in imminent danger, take him to the emergency room.

If there's no immediate danger, start with your child's pediatrician or primary care physician. In some cases, the pediatrician will be able to address the problem directly — or may refer you to a mental health specialist.

This is where it could get tricky.

You may face a long wait for a specialist — especially if you live in a rural area — and may find that many aren't accepting new patients. Barnhorst suggests calling your health insurance plan and asking for a list of in-network therapists, psychologists and psychiatrists. Then hit the phone and hope for the best.

"One of the most serious problems we have in this country on the mental health front is the lack of access to care," says Dr. Victor Schwartz, chief medical officer of the Jed Foundation, a New York-based organization that works to prevent suicides in teens and young adults. "We haven't trained enough professionals. They're not distributed well enough across the country."

Another option, he says, is to check with nearby universities to see whether they have mental health clinics that train students and see patients.

While you're seeking medical help, don't forget to contact your child's school, which may be able to make accommodations such as offering your child extra time for testing, Niendam says.

She also suggests connecting with your local chapter of NAMI Chicago (namichicago.org), a grass-roots organization of people whose lives have been affected by serious mental illness.

"If you're struggling, you can meet other parents and ask their advice," she says.

Don't panic; just say 'yes, and' to summer fun



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

Don't panic, but it's July. Actually, could you go ahead and panic? I could use the company.

Every summer. Every summer! My kids finally get out of school, it finally gets hot, and four seconds later, it's July. Summer's basically over. School supplies

will be on sale any minute now. There's no time to rest.

This summer, I had decided at the outset, we will miss nothing.

I declared it our Summer of Yes, meaning I would say yes to everything. Yes to invitations even if they butt up against other invitations. (We'll do both!) Yes to

early morning outings and late evening outings and out-of-the-way outings. (We'll sleep in the fall!)

Yes to a new Slip 'N Slide. Yes to water balloon baseball. Yes to ice cream for lunch.

Ambitious? A little. Unrealistic? Completely. We're trying

it anyway.

I'll let you in on a secret. You know the "yes, and" rule? It's an improv technique (and the title of a book by Second City's Kelly Leonard and Tom Yorton) that encourages you to collaborate and

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Are suicides really preventable?

Reaching out helps, but prediction akin to flipping a coin

BY GRACIE BONDS
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Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Suicide is now the 10th-leading cause of death in this country, and yet we still talk about it in whispers — if we talk about it at all.

Time, though, has a way of demanding that we say something, do something.

That time came in quick, heartbreaking succession when fashion designer Kate Spade and author/chef Anthony Bourdain had both died from apparent suicide, and well, we had a reference point. Everybody was talking.

That's always a good thing. Talking about suicide and specifically about mental illness helps decrease stigma. It also helps raise awareness about the warning signs and the role we can play to help those battling mental health problems get the care they need.

The big question that often arises for many of us is what can we do to prevent it?

Sadly, not much, according to experts.

We've known that much since at least 2016, when researchers studied risk factors — depression, previous suicide attempts, stressful life events and substance abuse — and experts' ability to predict suicidal thoughts and behaviors over long periods of time.

Predicting if someone will attempt to take his or her own life is only slightly better than chance and has not significantly improved during the last five decades.

Those findings still hold true, said Joseph Franklin, an assistant professor of psychology at Florida State University and lead author of the study.

Franklin and his colleagues conducted a meta-analysis of 365 studies con-



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Some experts are hopeful that technology will eventually help do a better job predicting suicidal behaviors.

“We’re not saying that people do nothing. It doesn’t mean we don’t keep trying to figure out what to do. If someone is struggling, we need to reach out to them. We do know that strong social support protects people from attempting suicide or dying by suicide.”

— Nadine Kaslow, professor at the Emory University School of Medicine

ducted within the last 50 years.

The analyses, he said, showed a suicide expert who conducted an in-depth assessment of risk factors would predict a patient's future suicidal thoughts and behaviors with about the same degree of accuracy as someone with no knowledge of the patient.

“It’s basically on par with flipping a coin,” he said. “It turns out, for example, things like depression don’t

predict much better than random guessing either.”

Franklin said, for instance, that just 2 percent of people who are severely depressed will die by suicide. But 1.6 percent of the general population around the world and in the U.S. will eventually die by suicide.

“There are thousands of things relevant to suicide, but there’s no one thing among those thousands that stands out as being particu-

larly important for prediction,” he said.

Still, Franklin said the findings do not necessarily mean that widely used risk guidelines are invalid or useless, or that therapists should abandon them.

“We recommend that these guidelines remain in use, but emphasize that there is an urgent need to evaluate these guidelines within longitudinal studies,” he said.

Nadine Kaslow, a profes-

sor at the Emory University School of Medicine and past president of the American Psychological Association, agreed that traditional risk factors such as depression, substance abuse, stress or previous suicide attempts aren’t adequate predictors of suicide by themselves.

What’s happening in a person’s life at the moment — a job loss, relationship breakup, or mental health or substance abuse prob-

lems combined with some current stressor — might be, she said.

At a time when people are searching for ways to tell if a loved one is in trouble, Kaslow said it’s important that people not blame themselves if they weren’t able to prevent someone from dying by suicide.

“To convey that there is nothing that can be done will scare people even more and make them feel more helpless,” Kaslow said. “We’re not saying that people do nothing. It doesn’t mean we don’t keep trying to figure out what to do. If someone is struggling, we need to reach out to them. We do know that strong social support protects people from attempting suicide or dying by suicide.”

Franklin is hopeful that a new approach to predicting suicide is in our future.

For instance, he said, multiple groups have begun working on developing “machine learning algorithms” — the same things that drive the Google search algorithm, make your email spam filter effective and show you relevant advertisements — to combine risk factors together to predict suicidal behaviors.

“The preliminary results are promising, with algorithms predicting suicidal behaviors with 80-90 percent accuracy,” Franklin said. “The big catch though is translating that to clinical practice will take a few years, and based on current studies, we can tell who will eventually die by suicide but not when.”

Meanwhile, he said, the only things that consistently reduce risk are large-scale preventive measures, such as reducing the availability of guns, putting pills in blister packs or erecting fences around certain bridges.

And it goes without saying, you can always be kind and reach out to those you are concerned about and offer a helping hand.



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Neuroblastoma patients are susceptible to anxiety.

Childhood cancer can impair mental health

HealthDay

Children with neuroblastoma, a pediatric cancer of nerve cells, are vulnerable to mental health and behavioral problems, a new study finds.

Neuroblastoma is diagnosed at a median age of 17.3 months. Treatment advances have prolonged survival for many patients, the study authors said.

This study included 859 children younger than 18 who had been diagnosed

with neuroblastoma at least five years earlier. Their median age at diagnosis was 0.8 years, and they were followed for a median of 13.3 years.

The neuroblastoma survivors were compared with 872 siblings of childhood cancer survivors.

The neuroblastoma patients were more likely than the siblings to have anxiety/depression (19 percent vs. 14 percent), headstrong behavior (19 percent vs. 13 percent), attention deficits (21

percent vs. 13 percent), peer conflict/social withdrawal (26 percent vs. 17 percent), and antisocial behavior (16 percent vs. 12 percent).

“These findings are novel because this is the first large study that could look at how neuroblastoma patients are doing in terms of psychological and educational outcomes. Before recent advances in treatment, this survivor population was much smaller and we were not able to analyze these sorts of long-term out-

comes,” said study author Dr. Nina Kadan-Lottick, from Yale University School of Medicine.

The common treatments for neuroblastoma — vincristine, cisplatin and retinoic acid — were not associated with these problems. But survivors who developed chronic health conditions as a result of their cancer treatment were at increased risk for the mental health/behavioral issues, the researchers said. Specifically, pulmonary

disease was linked with an increased risk of all five problems, and endocrine disease and peripheral neuropathy were each linked with increased risk of three of the problems.

The researchers also found that neuroblastoma survivors who developed mental health/behavioral problems tended to require special education services and to not go on to college.

The study results were published online in June in the journal Cancer.

Don't panic; just say 'yes, and' to fun this summer

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add to conversations, rather than stop them cold.

Bad: “Can we have ice cream for lunch?” “No! What are we, heathens?”

Good: “Can we have ice cream for lunch?” “Yes! And we can make sure we eat a vegetable or two tomorrow.”

I’m finding the “yes, and” approach to be a gigantic help for the Summer of Yes.

Yes, it’s July. And I’m still panicking. But we’ve managed to squeeze in a lot of fun so far, and I’m confident we can squeeze in quite a bit more before it’s time to start buying pre-sharpened No. 2 pencils.

Here’s how it works. **Let’s go to a Cubs game!**

Yes! And if tickets are too expensive/sold out/only available on days we’re busy, we can go to a Chicago Dogs game instead!

The Chicago Dogs are a new American Association of Independent Professional Baseball team. They play at Impact Field in Rosemont, and parking is \$3. I repeat: PARKING IS

\$3. We snared first-row seats for \$12 to watch the Dogs play the Gary South Shore Railcats on a Monday night under a clear sky with the traffic of I-294 in front of us and the buzz of airplanes landing at O’Hare above us, and I don’t know, somehow it was completely charming. Maybe because the ballplayers are really, really good and the between-inning antics are a lot of fun (rock, paper, scissors, pie!) and parking is, as I mentioned, \$3.

Let’s get Mario’s Italian Lemonade!

Yes! And if the line stretches down Taylor Street, which it will because it’s July, we can go to Freddie’s!

Don’t tell anyone, but Fabulous Freddie’s Italian Eatery in Bridgeport has house-made Italian ice that gives Mario’s a run for its money. A \$2.50 small is big enough to share, although I don’t know why you would.

Let’s mini golf at Maggie Daley Park!

Yes! And if we don’t feel like the hassle of downtown during festival season, we can mini golf at Par-

King. My son and I have a running list of top 5 mini golf places. No. 1, I’m afraid, is in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. No. 2 was, until recently, Novelty Golf & Games in Lincolnwood. Then we tried Par-King Skill Golf in Lincolnshire, and well, it’s epic. A roller coaster that takes your golf ball for a ride, a mini Mount Rushmore, a roulette wheel. We still love you, Novelty. But you’ve been bumped to No. 3. (Maggie Daley, for the record, is No. 4.)

Let’s enjoy the view from Cindy’s Rooftop!

Yes! And if there’s a three-hour wait to eat at the (seriously stunning) Chicago Athletic Association Hotel spot overlooking Millennium Park and Lake Michigan, we can go to Waterfront Cafe!

Waterfront Cafe is a darling little gem of a place tucked behind the Berger Park Cultural Center in Rogers Park. The lake stretches to your east. The skyline beams to your south. Twinkly lights dangle above. Live music plays from a little stage. You’ll wonder why you haven’t been going there all along.



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Italian ice? That’s nice! Saying “yes, and” to the opportunities that summer offers is a way to collaborate and add to the conversation while agreeing to the season’s fun activities.

(Good for you if you have.) **Let’s bike the lakefront!**

Yes! And if we don’t feel like risking our lives among the speed demons, let’s bike the riverfront!

The North Shore Channel Trail is wide and paved and runs from Lincoln Square to Evanston. It winds along the Chicago River, past several playgrounds (perfect stopping points for little legs) and is typically far less crowded than the lakefront path and

The 606, two beauties in their own right.

Let’s spend time as a family!

Yes! And even if one family member doesn’t want to do the thing you planned and another family member has a better offer from a friend and another family member has a bunch of deadlines, let’s set all that aside and spend time as a family anyway.

Will there be some complaining? Yes. And will there be mos-

quitoes? Yes.

And will there be sunburns and stomachaches and forgotten baseball gloves and sibling spats and rain delays and traffic jams and other reminders that life is messy and imperfect even during the summer? Yes.

And will it all be worth the effort anyway? Yes. One hundred percent. Yes.

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Spending more time at playgrounds, pools and barbecues in the summer can lead to injuries and illnesses.

Safety tips for summer fun

Illnesses, injuries that parents need to watch out for

BY KATE THAYER
Chicago Tribune

Summertime for kids means more time playing at parks and in pools, riding bikes through the neighborhood and eating hot dogs at barbecues.

While mostly fun, these rites of passage can lead to the kinds of illness or injuries emergency room doctors say they see more of when the temperatures start to climb and Fourth of July picnics are in full swing.

Some mishaps are inevitable, doctors say, but there are precautions parents can take to try to avoid visits to the ER or doctors' offices. Here are 10 injuries doctors say they see in the summer, and what parents should know.

1. Heat exposure

If a child has been outside in high temperatures and appears fatigued, complains of body aches or has vomited, he or she could have heat exposure and could require medical attention, said Dr. Michael Anderson, an emergency medicine physician at Advocate Trinity Hospital in Chicago. He said a lot of his young patients have been exposed to the heat and are dehydrated.

To avoid this, it's important to make sure children are drinking plenty of fluids, along with min-

imizing their time in the heat, Anderson said. Parents need to pay attention to "how hot it is, how hot (the children) are, and to be hydrating."

This can turn tragic and fatal if a child is left in a vehicle in hot weather, Anderson warned. "Be mindful of small children in cars."

2. Food poisoning and stomach viruses

When parties move outside in the summer, so does the food, and sometimes food safety isn't top of mind, said Dr. Vipul Singla, a pediatrician at Amita Health St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates.

Sometimes perishable food is left out too long, meat is not cooked long enough on grills and fruit is not fully cleaned, he said. That can lead to food poisoning like salmonella, which causes diarrhea, fever and abdominal cramps 12 to 72 hours after eating the food infected with the bacteria.

Singla recommends practicing good food safety, as well as good hygiene like hand-washing at summer picnics. Stomach viruses also tend to spread in summer, he said, because people share food or water bottles and are generally in closer contact with one another.

3. Playground and bike injuries

It's hard to prevent a child from every injury, said Singla, but some play-

grounds are safer than others. Take a look at the landing surfaces, he said. Wood chips and other softer materials can cushion a fall from the monkey bars — a common culprit for fractures, he said.

Singla also said parents should insist their child wear a helmet when riding a bike or scooter to protect the head.

Anderson warned parents of trampolines. He said he sees a lot of head and neck injuries in children who were jumping and flipping on a trampoline.

In general, if a child falls and appears injured, it's hard to distinguish a break from a sprain, bruise or muscle pull just by looking, Anderson said. But a good guideline is to seek medical attention if a child can't bear weight on the bone, has a lot of pain or if the pain will not go away.

4. Water injuries and sunburn

It's important for parents to make sure children learn to be good swimmers, Singla said. And children who can't swim should be constantly monitored in the water and should wear flotation aides. Even strong swimmers need supervision, he added, and parents should seek out pools and beaches with lifeguards on duty.

When enjoying a day at the pool, everyone needs sunscreen to protect from burns, which depending on severity could require medical attention, Singla

said. Most sunscreens don't hold up well in water, he said, so reapply often.

5. Ticks and other bugs

When children are in a wooded area, they should wear protective clothing like long sleeves to avoid ticks, Anderson said. Bug spray helps too, but with ticks, clothing is the best defense.

Doctors worry about ticks because they can transmit illness, like Lyme disease. Singla said parents should check kids' heads and bodies for ticks. A tick can be removed with a tweezers, and some doctors' offices can test the bug. Mosquitoes are also harmful and can carry West Nile virus. Bug sprays and protective clothing also protect from this insect's itchy bites, doctors said.

6. Concussions

While parents may think concussions are limited to football players and other athletes, a blow to the head can happen to a young child on a playground.

Anderson said that if a child hits his or her head and then complains of headache, nausea, dizziness or blurred vision, he or she could have a concussion. Someone can have a concussion even without losing consciousness, he said.

Other signs include loss of concentration, memory problems, confusion and agitation, Anderson said.

Rhonda Williams of Chicago said she didn't realize her child had had a

concussion until a few days after her then-9-year-old son, Ronnie, was pushed on the playground last year. His face hit another child's head, and then he fell and hit the back of his head on the ground, Williams said.

Although Ronnie had a black eye and later felt nauseated, Williams didn't think he had a concussion. A few days later, Ronnie's music teacher noticed he was having trouble reading and wasn't himself, and suggested he might have a concussion, Williams said.

After treatment, including cognitive and physical rest, Ronnie, now 10, is doing well, she said. She warns parents to be on the lookout for concussion signs, and most of all, "you've got to pay attention to your children. That's my big lesson."

7. Skin rashes

Children tend to spread and catch skin rashes easily in the summer, when they're in close contact and wearing less clothing, Singla said. Extremely contagious viral rashes, like molluscum or ring worm, are easily spread at playgrounds and pools.

These types of ailments are best treated in a doctor's office and typically do not cause pain, Singla said. Good hygiene is the best defense, he said, but also identifying "patient zero" to avoid further spread.

"Parents underestimate how much ... a kid tells them things. Parents should look over their

kids," he said.

8. Summer colds and other viruses

Many think winter is when runny noses and coughs are rampant, but there are plenty of colds in the summer, Singla said.

He stresses hand-washing after playground play, where kids tend to pick up viruses. Showering before and after the pool is also good practice to avoid catching things, he said.

9. Allergies

Environmental allergies can affect children in warmer months. While it's hard to avoid high pollen counts in the air, Singla said, parents can take certain precautions.

Lawn treatment sprays or certain plants can be particularly harmful to children. "If (children) roll around in the grass and play in the bushes, they could (have an allergic reaction) or get rashes on the body," Singla said. "It's about knowing your environment and being as safe as you can."

10. Cuts and scrapes

When a fall causes a wound, there are some things parents should keep in mind when treating it, Singla said. If bleeding won't stop or if the wound is deep and won't close, the child needs to see a doctor. If not, parents should make sure the cut is cleaned and treated at home, he said.

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The Food and Drug Administration told manufacturers to stop marketing over-the-counter teething products with benzocaine, like Baby Orajel, due to safety concerns.



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FDA warns against using Orajel for baby's teething

BY NICOLE VILLALPANDO
Austin American-Statesman

The Food and Drug Administration recently told manufacturers to stop marketing over-the-counter teething products with the drug benzocaine. You know these products as Anbesol, Baby Orajel, Cepacol, Chloraseptic, Hurricaine, Orabase, Orajel and Topex as well as the store-brand versions.

"Because of the lack of efficacy for teething and the serious safety concerns we've seen with over-the-counter benzocaine oral health products, the FDA is taking steps to stop use of these products in young children and raise awareness of the risks associated with other uses of benzocaine oral health products," said FDA Commissioner Dr. Scott Gottlieb in the news release.

So, what's the problem with a little Baby Orajel on your baby's gums?

People noticed that babies sometimes struggled to breathe when using these treatments. They had a condition called methemoglobinemia, which is an elevated amount of methemoglobin in the blood. That reduces the amount of oxygen in the blood.

Dr. Arti Lal, a pediatrician at Baylor Scott & White Clinic - Austin

Northwest, says that babies were being sent to the emergency room to get an antidote for methemoglobinemia. Even with an antidote, it's still scary to see your baby struggling to breathe, she says. "You don't want your baby to have that."

The first signs that there were problems with benzocaine were about a decade ago, Lal says, but the recent announcement is a much stronger statement from the FDA. Let's also go back to the fact that those over-the-counter treatments didn't really work.

Lal says she likes to remind parents that teething is a normal physiological occurrence. It's what the body does in the process of getting teeth.

Most babies start teething around 5 or 6 months but can start as early as 4 months and as late as 10 months, Lal says. It usually goes until age 2 or 2 1/2. The first year is definitely the most painful because of the type of teeth as well as it being a new experience for babies.

To ease that pain, Lal recommends cleaning your hands and then rubbing your baby's gums gently with your finger.

You also can keep teething toys in the refrigerator or clean, wet washcloths. The cold is soothing,

but only use the refrigerator, not the freezer. Items from the freezer could damage gum tissue and cause it to die.

Parents also can give babies ibuprofen or acetaminophen to help with the pain.

The trick of putting a little bourbon on a washcloth or on your finger on baby's gums, also isn't a good idea. It doesn't really work on the teething problem, and now you have an intoxicated baby.

Teething often comes with a lot of drool. Sometimes the gums will be very red, and they can even bleed. If that's happening a lot, you should see a pediatric dentist, Lal says.

Teething does not cause a fever. If your baby has that, something else is happening. Lal says she's known parents who thought it was just teething when it was meningitis. A fever should be checked out.

Teething also should not be causing babies to wake up at night, she says.

It also doesn't make babies more hungry. They might seem like they want to eat all the time, but that's just because they want to gnaw on something, Lal says. She likens it to the puppy who always wants to tear something up.

"They're just trying to feel better," Lal says.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Are there alternatives to DEET insect repellent?

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
King Features Syndicate

Q: I killed a mosquito last night, and that got me thinking about repellents. I have some concerns about DEET, which seems to be the standard.

A few years ago, I was camping with friends. One of my companions slathered DEET on herself and then poured wine into a plastic glass. Her fingerprints are permanently etched into the wineglass.

We're not talking about disposables here. These cups are thick, dishwasher-safe, clear, reusable glasses. I'm hesitant to use a product that etches plastic.

I've had reasonable success by wearing a neckerchief permeated with permethrin and applying picaridin repellent.

A: DEET is an effective insect repellent, but it can behave a little like a solvent. It may dissolve some items, such as plastic watch crystals, paint, nail polish and synthetic fibers. DEET may harm certain breathable fabrics.

Both Consumer Reports and the Environmental Working Group suggest that oil of lemon eucalyptus and picaridin each can serve as an alternative to DEET. They are quite effective repellents. Brand names include Repel Lemon Eucalyptus, Sawyer Picaridin and Natrapel picaridin.

Q: I have found a way to deal with jock itch, which can be troublesome when the weather gets warm. Nizoral A-D shampoo used as a body wash in combination with Zeasorb or similar powder applied after



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Oil of lemon eucalyptus can serve as an effective alternative to DEET.

showering is very effective in controlling jock itch and other itching in the folds of the skin.

If I have a stubborn breakout, I add antifungal cream, but daily use of Nizoral A-D and Zeasorb cuts down on the frequency of those breakouts. I also wash my feet with Nizoral and put the Zeasorb powder in my shoes. I think that helps against athlete's foot.

A: Jock itch describes an irritating skin condition usually caused by yeast overgrowth. Antifungal drugs can be quite helpful, which is why Nizoral A-D shampoo is working so well for you. This OTC dandruff treatment contains ketoconazole, an antifungal medication. Ketoconazole is sometimes prescribed as an oral tablet or a topical cream to treat yeast or fungal infections. We are not surprised Nizoral shampoo is helpful against jock itch.

Zeasorb powder absorbs moisture to keep skin dry. In addition, the Zeasorb AF formula con-

tains the antifungal drug miconazole. As you noted, it also can help control athlete's foot, a different fungal infection.

Q: My ear, nose and throat specialist told me not to use Vicks VapoRub in my nose when it is dry. He said that Vaseline would be fine for moisturizing, though. I have been applying Vaseline in my nostrils almost nightly for five years. The only symptom I've had is a little coughing. Should I worry about this?

A: Yes. Even though your ENT doctor endorsed it, Vaseline should not be used inside the nostrils. Inhaling small particles of petroleum jelly can result in chemical pneumonitis.

Another reader shared his story:

"Never, ever use Vaseline or anything oily inside your nose. This practice could be life-threatening.

"The oil goes to your lungs, and they have no way to get rid of it. After my dentist accidentally damaged my trigeminal nerve, I ended up with burning mouth syndrome and a terribly dry nose. I started using Vaseline in the nose to be able to sleep at night.

"Now I have developed an incurable lung disease as a result. If you read the label, it says 'external use only.' Inside the nose is not external use.

"I hope this will help someone avoid the same fate. Not being able to breathe is the worst thing that can happen to anyone. Believe me, I know."

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Patients could see costs rise

Employers cutting benefit that helps with drug copays

By MICHELLE ANDREWS
Kaiser Health News

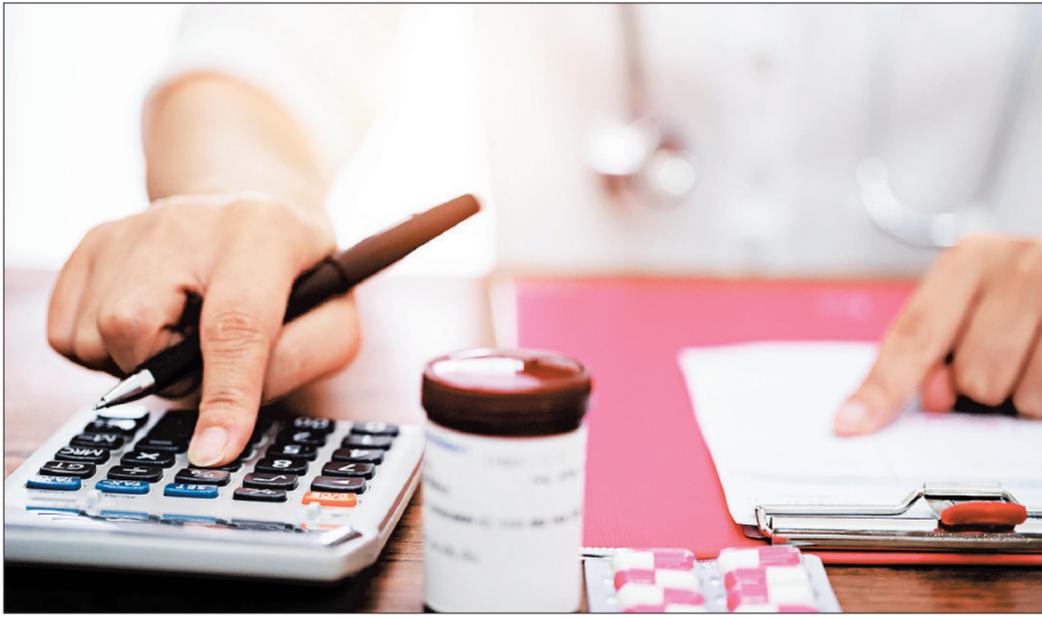
Since Kristen Catton started taking the drug Gilenya two years ago, she's had only one minor relapse of her multiple sclerosis, following a bout of the flu.

She can walk comfortably, see clearly and work part time as a nurse case manager at a hospital near her home in Columbus, Ohio. This is a big step forward; two drugs she previously tried failed to control her physical symptoms or prevent repeated flare-ups.

This year, Catton, 48, got a shock. Her health insurance plan changed the way it handles the payments that the drugmaker Novartis makes to help cover her prescription's cost. Her copayment is roughly \$3,800 a month, but Novartis helps reduce that out-of-pocket expense with payments to the health plan. The prescription costs about \$90,000 a year.

Those Novartis payments no longer counted toward her family plan's \$8,800 annual pharmacy deductible. That meant once she hit the drugmaker's payment cap for the copay assistance in April, she would have to pay the entire copayment herself until her pharmacy deductible was met.

Catton is one of a growing number of consumers taking expensive drugs who are discovering they are no longer insulated by copay assistance programs that help cover their costs. Through such programs, consumers typically owe nothing or have modest monthly copayments for pricey drugs because many drug manufacturers pay a patient's portion of the cost to the health plan, which chips away at the consumer's deductible and out-of-pocket maximum limits until the health plan starts



Patients getting drug copay assistance could see their costs go up.

paying the whole tab.

Under new "copay accumulator" programs, that no longer happens.

In these programs, the monthly copayments drug companies make don't count toward patients' plan deductibles or out-of-pocket maximums. Once patients hit the annual limit on a drugmaker's copay assistance program, they're on the hook for their entire monthly copayment until they reach their plan deductible and spending limits.

Catton put the \$3,800 May copayment on a credit card. She knows her insurer will start paying the entire tab once she hits the pharmacy deductible. But, she said, she can't afford to pay nearly \$9,000 a year out-of-pocket for the foreseeable future.

"I'm talking to my doctor to see if I can take it every other day," she said. "I guess I'm winging it until I can figure out what to do."

Drug copay assistance programs have long been controversial.

Proponents say that in an age of increasingly high deductibles and coinsurance charges, such help is the only way some patients can afford crucial medications.

But opponents say the programs increase drug spending on expensive brand-name drugs by discouraging people from using more cost-effective alternatives.

Switching to a cheaper drug may not be an option, said Bari Talente, executive vice president for advocacy at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

"Generally the multiple sclerosis drugs are not substitutable," she said. "Most have different mechanisms of action, different administration and different side effect profiles." Generics, when they're available, are pricey too, typically costing \$60,000 or more annually, she said.

Most MS drug annual copay assistance limits, if they have them, are between \$9,000 and \$12,000,

Talente said.

Employers argue that the drug copayment programs are an attempt to circumvent their efforts to manage health care costs. For example, employers may try to discourage the use of a specialty drug when there's a lower-cost drug available by requiring higher patient cost sharing.

There's also the issue of fairness.

"From an employer perspective, everyone under the plan has to be treated the same," said Brian Marcotte, president and CEO of the National Business Group on Health, which represents large employers.

If someone needs medical care such as surgery, for example, that person doesn't get help covering his deductible, while the person with the expensive drug might, he said.

According to an NBGH survey of about 140 multi-state employers with at least 5,000 workers, 17 percent reported they have a copay accumulator pro-

gram in place this year, Marcotte said. Fifty-six percent reported they're considering them for 2019 or 2020.

If there is no comparable drug available, drug copayment programs may have a role to play if they can be structured so that participating patients are paying some amount toward their deductible, Marcotte said.

But, he said, assistance programs for drugs that are available from more than one source, such as a brand drug that is also available as a generic, shouldn't be allowed.

In 2016, 20 percent of prescriptions for brand-name drugs used a drug copay assistance coupon, according to an analysis by researchers at the USC Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics. Among the top 200 drugs based on spending in 2014, the study found that 132 were brand-name drugs, and 90 of them offered copay coupons. Fifty-one percent of the drugs with

copay coupons had no substitute at all or only another brand drug as a close therapeutic substitute, the analysis found.

Advocates for people with HIV and AIDS say copay accumulators are cropping up in their patients' plans and beginning to cause patients trouble. Drugs to treat HIV typically don't have generic alternatives.

The biggest impact for the community their organizations serve may be for PrEP, a daily pill that helps prevent HIV infection, said Carl Schmid, deputy executive director at the AIDS Institute, an advocacy group. A 30-day supply of PrEP (brand-name Truvada) can cost nearly \$2,000. Drug manufacturer Gilead offers a copay assistance program that covers up to \$3,600 annually in copay assistance, with no limit on how much is paid per month.

"They're at risk for HIV, they know it and want to protect themselves," Schmid said. "It's a public health issue."

Earlier this month, the AIDS Institute was among 60 HIV organizations that sent letters to state attorneys general and insurance commissioners across the country asking them to investigate this practice, which has emerged in employer and marketplace plans this year.

Compounding advocates' concerns is the fact that these coverage changes are frequently not communicated clearly to patients, Schmid said. They are typically buried deep in the plan documents and don't appear in the user-friendly summary of benefits and coverage that consumers receive from their health plan.

"How is a patient to know?" Schmid asks. They learn of the change only when they get a big bill midway through the year. "And then they're stuck."

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Blueberries, strawberries and cherries are among ingredients that can be used in recipes to enhance the ice cream experience.

CRAVING: ICE CREAM

Sweet, savory ... sublime

Summer fruit can magically transform ice cream toppings

By **JOE GRAY** | Chicago Tribune

Strawberries, cherries, apricots, peaches, nectarines, blueberries — the confluence of summer fruit seasons creates one of the most magical culinary moments of the year.

Here we've given them a stage worthy of their glory: as magical toppings for ice cream, that other summer star. With complementary flavors — chocolate for cherries, ginger and cardamom with apricots, balsamic with strawberries — and techniques borrowed from many disciplines — a shrub, a chutney, a compote — the gems of orchards and berry patches take on savory elements to transform into something even better, if that's possible. It is.

Each recipe is simple enough to throw together for a last-minute party dessert and can be made with ingredients on hand. Serve over vanilla ice cream, or experiment with other flavor pairings. Break them out for the Fourth of July and all summer long, while the harvest lasts.

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Find more ice cream topping recipes on Page 2.

Strawberries in balsamic syrup

Prep: 20 minutes **Cook:** 20 minutes **Makes:** about 1½ cups

- ¾ cup balsamic vinegar
- 2 teaspoons finely grated orange zest
- 2 cups hulled, chopped strawberries
- Freshly ground black pepper
- Fresh basil leaves, slivered

1 Heat the balsamic vinegar in a small saucepan over medium heat until it comes to a boil; lower heat, so that vinegar gently boils. Cook until reduced to ¼ cup, about 20 minutes. It should be thickened but not all the way to a syrup. Stir in the orange zest.

2 Allow to cool a few minutes; it should retain some heat but no longer be very hot. Pour over the strawberries in a bowl. Stir to coat the berries. Season generously with pepper. Stir in the basil. Serve over ice cream warm or at room temperature; keeps covered in the refrigerator up to a week.

July's Cravings: Come along with us in July as we explore frozen treats, from recipes to Chicago's best ice cream shops, paeterias and more.

Picnic-perfect tapas

Simple small bites make for leisurely group dining



JEANMARIE BROWNSON
Dinner at Home

Snibbles, we call them in our house. Snacks and nibbles combined.

Tapas, they call them in Spain. Small bites of satisfying flavors to enjoy with a beverage of choice. Sparkling lemonade for the young ones; beer, spiked wine and cocktails for the rest of us.

I enjoy having tapas in place of a traditional meat-and-veg meal anytime. Perhaps it's the relaxed way everyone hangs around the table, lingering over food and drink. Perhaps it's the conversation that gets livelier the deeper we get into the beer and

wine stash. Perhaps it's the fact that most small-plate snacks can be made in advance, so the cook relaxes.

Dining with friends at Las Golondrinas, in Seville's Triana quarter, we nearly inhale small plates of the most stunning seasonal vegetables, along with local fish tapas, platters of artisanal cheeses and a variety of Spanish hams. The warm evening sparks an idea: Tapas make perfect picnic fare. They epitomize outdoor summer goodness.

I first enjoyed one of Spain's most iconic tapas dishes, tortilla espanola, a rich potato omelet, a decade ago when seated at the counter at Cal Pep, a favorite tapas bar in Barcelona. This spring, we happily stood in a queue for the small restaurant to refresh our memories.

First, we studied Cal Pep's method for another Spanish classic, pan con tomate

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A tortilla espanola, one of Spain's best-known tapas dishes, is filled with potatoes and chorizo, and can be made ahead of a picnic and served warm or cold with dressed greens.



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FROM THE COVER



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Sweet and savory ice cream toppings, clockwise from left: apricot chutney, blueberry shrub and nectarines with candied bacon.

Apricot chutney

Prep: 10 minutes **Cook:** 12 minutes**Makes:** 2 cups

If using fresh ginger instead of crystallized, add some sugar to taste.

- 1 tablespoon canola or grapeseed oil
Half a small onion, finely chopped (about ½ cup)
Kosher salt
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped crystallized ginger (or 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger) to 2 green cardamom pods, husked, seeds crushed
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped jalapeno, optional
- 3 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- ¼ cup fresh orange juice
- 3 large fresh apricots, pitted, chopped (about 2 cups)
- ½ cup golden raisins

1 Heat the oil in a saucepan over medium heat; add the onion, seasoning with salt. Sweat until onion softens, 2-3 minutes.**2** Add the ginger, cardamom and jalapeno, if using; cook to bring out the flavors, about 2 minutes. Add the vinegar and orange juice; bring to a simmer. Simmer on low, 5 minutes.**3** Stir apricots and raisins into the pan; simmer until apricots soften a bit but retain their shape, 2 to 3 minutes. (Add 2 tablespoons water, if needed, so that you have enough liquid to cook the apricots and the chutney reaches your desired consistency.) Transfer to a bowl to cool; serve warm or at room temperature over ice cream. Leftovers keep, covered, in the refrigerator for a week or so. Use at room temperature or slightly warmed.

Blueberry shrub

Prep: 5 minutes, plus standing time**Cook:** 5 minutes**Makes:** about 1 ½ cups

From "Vinegar Revival" (Clarkson Potter, \$19.99) by Harry Rosenblum. Shrubs are acid- and fruit-based beverages taken on their own or used as a base for cocktails. Rosenblum suggests using his blueberry shrub to top his balsamic ice cream. Store-bought vanilla works great too.

- 2 cups fresh or frozen blueberries (there is no need to thaw them if you're using frozen)
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 cups sherry vinegar
- ½ teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg

1 Place the berries and the sugar in a quart jar with a tight-fitting lid and use a wooden spoon to crush the berries and release their juices. Let the closed jar sit for 4 hours at room temperature.**2** In a small nonreactive saucepan over medium heat, heat the vinegar to just below boiling (about 200 degrees F), then pour it over the blueberries and sugar. Add the nutmeg, seal the jar and refrigerate overnight or up to 3 days.**3** Strain out the skins, discard and use the shrub immediately. It will keep tightly sealed in the refrigerator for up to 6 months.

Nectarines with candied bacon

Prep: 15 minutes **Cook:** 20 minutes **Makes:** 2 cups

- 4 slices thick-cut bacon, cut in 1-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 4 medium nectarines, pitted, chopped (about 2 cups)
- Freshly ground black pepper
- ¼ to ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

1 Heat a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add the bacon; cook until fat begins to render, 8-10 minutes. Flip bacon to cook the other side, lowering heat to prevent burning if needed.**2** When fat is rendered, drain the fat from the skillet. Sprinkle brown sugar over bacon pieces; cook until sugar melts. Transfer to a plate; allow to cool.**3** Toss the nectarines in a bowl with the bacon; season with pepper and cinnamon to taste. Serve warm over ice cream. Keeps, covered, in the refrigerator for a week. Warm gently before using.

Cherries in mole sauce

Prep: 30 minutes **Cook:** 5 minutes **Makes:** 3 cups

- ⅓ cup jarred mole paste
- 1 cup water
- 1 to 2 tablespoons cherry liqueur, such as maraschino, or brandy, optional
- 2 cups pitted, halved, dark sweet cherries (about ¾ pound)
- 1 tablespoon sugar, optional
- ¼ cup slivered almonds, toasted

1 Dissolve the mole paste in the water in a small saucepan over low heat, stirring, until you have a smooth sauce. Add a little more water as needed. Once dissolved, stir in the brandy and sugar, if using, until sugar dissolves.**2** Allow the mole sauce to cool a few minutes; pour over the cherries in a bowl. Stir to coat the cherries; stir in the almonds. Serve warm over ice cream. Keeps, covered, in the refrigerator for about a week; warm gently until smooth and flowing before using.

JOSH NOEL/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Revolution Brewing's Pineapple Radler is only available at Big Star Wrigleyville. The radler is a blend of hoppy Rev Pils and pineapple concentrate made at the brewery.

DRINK THIS!

Pineapple Radler at Big Star

BY JOSH NOEL
Chicago Tribune

With a bit more carbonation and tartness, Revolution Brewing's Pineapple Radler, available exclusively at the Wrigleyville location of taco, beer and whiskey joint Big Star, would make for a lovely beer. But the point is, it's not a beer — it's a radler, and a pineapple one at that.

Made as a collaboration between Revolution and Big Star — the same way

Fist City pale ale came into this world — Pineapple Radler (\$7 a glass; \$35 a pitcher) expertly does its job of quenching the summer thirst with a blend of hearty, hoppy Rev Pils and a pineapple concentrate made at the brewery from fresh pineapples. The result is a bright, fruity and refreshing blend that tastes just like what it should: fresh fruit in fresh beer.

It also pairs expertly with Big Star's taco al pastor (\$3.50) — succulent

pork topped with, yup, pineapple. Though Pineapple Radler has been on tap since Big Star's Wrigleyville location opened in April, it will be celebrated with an official launch party at 5 p.m. July 14. Other Big Star-Revolution radlers are expected to follow.

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EAT THIS!

Sandwich based on Chinatown classic

BY LOUISA CHU
Chicago Tribune

"A delicious meal from Seven Treasures of Chicago's Chinatown consisting of two fried eggs, barbecue pork, rice and soy sauce. The meal has an amazing value at \$5," wrote an Urban Dictionary user nearly eight years ago. The definition of "554" is still mostly correct, and shockingly it remains safe for work, as well as extraordinarily civil in these decidedly uncivilized online times.

The price had gone up about a buck when I wrote about the 554 two years ago. At that time I explained that the code name is a holdover from its number on a former menu.

The 554 has now been reinvented, as a sandwich. At Hermosa restaurant, found in its namesake Northwest Side neighborhood, cook and owner Ethan Lim likes to ask himself, "Can I sandwich it?"

With the 554, that's a big yes. Lim worked at Aviary



LOUISA CHU/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The 554 sandwich at Hermosa restaurant is based on a dish from Seven Treasures in Chinatown.

and Next (not as a cook, but as a maitre d') and demonstrates the same attention to detail at Hermosa. He smokes his own Chinese barbecue pork, slices it thin, then stacks the pork on a sourdough bun with a fried egg, fried rice noodles and hoisin sauce.

The toasted bun holds together what could be an unwieldy creation if it weren't so carefully constructed. Fatty char siu and runny egg yolk meld together the rice noodles.

"Most Chinese restaurants do char siu with red food coloring," said Lim. "My Chinese barbecue pork is done more classically, where the coloring comes from the smoke and fermented bean curd that is in the marinade itself." He also blends his own five-

spice powder.

If you dine in, the sandwich includes fries and an unusual dipping sauce.

"On the side is what I like to have on my 554: soy sauce with sambal and a little vinegar," said Lim. Dribble a little of that spicy, tart, umami bomb concoction on the sandwich itself for an extra flavor boost.

As a one-man show, when is the last time Lim had the 554 at Seven Treasures?

"Five years ago? I think that was the last time I went clubbing."

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For July Fourth, drink American



MICHAEL AUSTIN
The Pour Man

I'm thinking of a small city in the South of France right now, as we work our way toward the Fourth of July to mark the 242nd birthday of our country. The town is called Nîmes, and a very casual pronunciation of it would land somewhere close to "neem." While Nîmes sits solidly in the Languedoc-Roussillon wine region, it's not necessarily wine that is on my mind — it's pants.

A fairly widely accepted theory out there says that the fine folks of Nîmes were the first to produce the fabric that subsequently, inadvertently, became a symbol of the United States. They called the fabric "serge de Nîmes" (serge being a type of twill) and, as the story goes, "de Nîmes" became "denim," and blue jeans walked their way right into American iconography. Today, they stand alongside baseball (derived from English games), hot dogs (Germany) and the cowboy (Spain, by way of Mexico) as one of our most clear and ubiquitous symbols, if not identifiers. Want to spot an American in a foreign country? Look for the jeans.

Maybe there's more behind that birth-of-denim concept, or the way the fabric came to be called "denim." But this is all beside the point. So with that in mind, trouser historians — please stand down. The point is, lots of our stuff came from somewhere else, and clearly we have been able to improve on much of it. Forget about the stuff we came up with — the chocolate chip cookie, the zipper and the internet — and think about what



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American syrah with a good ol' American hamburger is a great Independence Day match.

we borrowed and made our own. Wine is somewhere on that continuum, somewhere between first being borrowed and then being fully assimilated into our culture.

This Fourth of July provides yet another opportunity for you to up your wine game, to make wine more a part of your daily life. This is a holiday — so no, it is not daily life — but we all have

our defaults, our reflexes, our routines and ruts. If you are a person who does not think to pour wine on Independence Day, I am urging you to change your ways. No matter where you are, or what the weather is like in that place, there are scores of high-quality American wines out there for you. Crisp whites and sparkling wines on the drier end of the spectrum

can surely replace the myriad booze offerings that are best served ice cold and gulpable.

Grills and the Fourth of July go together like parades and Uncle Sam stilt-walkers, and what is one of the most common things coming off of those grills on this holiday? It's that other quintessentially American food item that we borrowed from Germany — the

No matter where you are, or what the weather is like in that place, there are scores of high-quality American wines out there for you.

beloved hamburger. Make those burgers even tastier with light reds like pinot noir or grenache, or with fuller-bodied reds such as zinfandel, malbec or syrah. Don't tell me it's too hot for wine — it's not too hot for a flaming, char-grilled burger, is it? Give your red wine a little chill — that's how you should be serving it anyway — and don't fuss too much over exact temperatures. It's a picnic. If your wine is too warm, plopp the bottle into an ice bath, and try again.

Dispense also with the following phrase: "Oh, and there's wine over there, too, in case anybody wants that." Replace that invitation with: "The wine is over there" or "The wine is right here." Don't apologize for wine; start to create the expectation that it will always be there. Actually, it always has been here.

Word is, the first settlers in Jamestown planted vineyards soon after they arrived in 1607. OK, that wasn't us — that was them. But still, it was here. Thomas Jefferson had a vineyard at his home in Virginia, and just a few years after he helped found the United States, land that is now part of California saw the establishment of its first vineyard. There's a lot of vineyard space between Virginia and California, and thankfully some of it has been filled in since the early days of the republic. For more than a decade now, there has been at least one commercial winery in every state.

You probably know about the Paris Wine Tasting of 1976, when two California wines beat out some of the best of France's

offerings on their home turf. Even back in the 19th century, though, American wines were winning prestigious awards over wines of the Old World, both at home and abroad. But wine is slow, and as a nation, our viable, modern wine industry is still very young. Naturally our wine culture is young and constantly developing too.

The way I see it, we have gone through a sort of chicken-and-egg, self-perpetuating cyclone over the past 25 years, in which people got more interested in wine, and wine got better and more available — and when wine got better and more available, people got more interested in it. And so on. Good wines got better, great wines got even greater, and consumers expected more in every way — more quality, more options, more enjoyment, more inclusion. As this cycle continues, wine will likely become even more a part of life in the USA.

If we continue to mindfully bring wine into our experiences, especially those we have not traditionally associated with wine, someday wine might just be there — everywhere — not only in the tangible world but somewhere deep in our thoughts, in the spot where we store our defaults, like movies and popcorn. Like the Fourth of July and American flags. Or like that other Independence Day tradition that we have come to expect as much as any other: fireworks. Which, of course, we borrowed from China.

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SERIOUSLY SIMPLE

Betties: A classic summer dessert

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I recently had the pleasure of meeting Marilyn and Sheila Brass (the Brass sisters) at a James Beard Award dinner, and frankly I was smitten. They are so enthusiastic and interesting to chat with that I couldn't wait to check out their television show, "The Food Flirts," on PBS.

In addition to their show, the Brass sisters have penned a number of cookbooks that have the same theme in common: heirloom recipes rediscovered. They have spent a lifetime collecting used cookbooks, original handwritten recipe books and loose handwritten recipes.



ANDY RYAN PHOTO

In "Heirloom Baking With the Brass Sisters" (Black Dog & Leventhal, 2011), they have selected 150 recipes that they've carefully tested and updated.

From among them, I selected this traditional American summertime dessert. Betties are even easier to put together than their culinary cousins: cobbles, buckles and crumbles.

The betty uses buttered, spiced graham cracker

crumbs instead of the traditional buttered cubes of bread or breadcrumbs. And the authors have further enhanced the classic with a crispy topping of brown sugar and butter. I love this summer rendition using nectarines (I love the white ones) instead of apples. Enjoy it after a barbecue or simple grilled dinner. Don't forget the French vanilla ice cream to serve alongside.

Nectarine betty

Prep: 30 minutes **Bake:** 30 to 35 minutes **Makes:** 9 generous servings

- 6 ripe, but still a bit firm, nectarines, cut in slices (5 to 6 cups)
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 4 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 cups brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- Pinch of cloves
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3 teaspoons butter, cut into pieces

1 Set the oven rack in the middle position. Heat the oven to 375. Coat a 9-by-9-inch baking pan with vegetable spray. Line a 14-by-6-inch baking sheet with foil.

2 Place nectarines in a large bowl; sprinkle with lemon juice. In a second bowl, mix lemon zest and graham cracker crumbs together. Add melted butter; mix thoroughly with your hands until texture is sandy. Mix in granulated sugar, 1 cup brown sugar, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, cloves and salt.

3 Layer half of the crumb mixture on the bottom of the prepared baking pan. Layer nectarines on top of crumbs. Sprinkle remaining crumbs over fruit. Distribute remaining 1/2 cup brown sugar evenly over crumb topping; dot with the butter pieces.

4 Place pan on baking sheet in oven. Bake until topping is browned, 30 to 35 minutes. If topping appears to be browning too quickly, cover loosely with foil. Let cool on a rack until pleasantly warm. Serve warm with whipped cream or French vanilla ice cream. Store covered with wax paper in the refrigerator.

Nutrition information per serving: 334 calories, 9 g fat, 4 g saturated fat, 17 mg cholesterol, 65 g carbohydrates, 53 g sugar, 2 g protein, 120 mg sodium, 2 g fiber

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Several cookbooks celebrating retro recipes recently hit shelves, among them a new edition of "The Graham Kerr Cookbook," which features this pork curry dish.

'Back to a happy place'

Retro cookbooks offer comforts from another era for these uncertain times

BY BARBARA MAHANY
Chicago Tribune

It's the culinary equivalent of climbing creaky stairs into the attic, lifting the lid of a cobweb-laced trunk and extracting pages that crumble into flakes of times past, as if you'd exhumed the manifest of some long-ago sailing ship's pantry.

Pickled eggs, *oeufs en gelée*, cold deviled chicken, clams casino, potatoes *Delmonico*, carrots *Chantilly*, potted shrimp, hot cracker crab. Oh, my. Sweet tooth? Take your pick: *blanc-mange*, *tipsy cake*, *charlotte russe* with ladyfingers, *corn-flake macaroons*, *sea foam frosting*. La-de-dah.

Such recipes abound in a recent bumper crop of retro cookery books, all published this spring. Consider "Something Old, Something New: Classic Recipes Revised," (Scribner, \$27) by Tamar Adler, who cooked for Alice Waters at Chez Panisse and writes (brilliantly) for *The New Yorker*, among others; "The Vintage Baker," (Chronicle, \$24.95) by Jessie Sheehan, a Brooklyn lawyer-turned-baker; and a new edition of "The Graham Kerr Cookbook: The Galloping Gourmet" (Rizzoli, \$32.50), first published in 1966 and recently reissued as the second volume of *The Lee Bros. Classic Library*, a vintage series curated by Southern food mavens Matt and Ted Lee.

You might call it "cultural preservation," or "a reclamation project," in the words of Adler, a writer who's been called the "their apparent" to M.F.K. Fisher. But is something deeper going on here? Perhaps we should call it *Palliative Cookery for Turbulent Times*? Or *When the World Makes You Dyspeptic*, Decamp to the Kitchens of Yore?

It's not a leap to wonder whether we're all retreating to the electric ranges of our not-so-distant past in hopes of salving psychic wounds, given this moment of sociopolitical tumult.

"Nostalgia in food is one of the strongest emotional connections to food, right?" asks Sarah Billingsley, executive editor of food and lifestyle at Chronicle Books. "You have Proust and madelines, and everything from there. The taste that takes you back, back to a happy place, or a safe place. So, yes, I think that's playing into this current obsession with retro nostalgia."

In the cookbook world, she adds, every 10 years or so, "there's another 'retro' moment." In the late 1990s and early 2000s, Billingsley remembers, we were on the '50s and '60s, the age of "highballs and high heels," she says. "Truly regrettable food books that sold a zillion copies," she adds, barely muffling a groan. And after 15 years in the cookbook business, she's seen that sometimes the



In "Something Old, Something New," Tamar Adler celebrates recipes from yesteryear, including Oysters Rockefeller. Adler's book is a richly woven culinary history.

retro we reach for isn't necessarily a trouble-free time, allowing us to realize, "Oh, ours is a little bit better than that, and we made it through those!"

"Nosh-talgia," Kerr, the *Galloping Gourmet* of 1960s and '70s fame, calls it. "We want so much to grab ahold of something that we can understand and share with one another without being divisive. If we get together, let's please not talk politics. Let's go back to the times when we used to sit around the table. I call it the last remaining tribal meeting place — where we actually look at each other, and we care about each other, and we cook for each other, and it's important to each other that we have a good time."

His book was and is as serious a work of gastronomic instruction as Kerr's showmanship was comical, holds to the abiding principle that "food least handled is best liked." Kerr, now 84, lives in Mount Vernon, Wash., where he looks out onto the Puget Sound. While he's kept the book's original instruction intact, he says he's updated ingredients and measures, cutting meat by 50 percent and multiplying "plant foods" by 200 percent.

Matt Lee, co-curator of the classics collection, says it's timelessness that he and his brother search for in cookery books. And Kerr's book, with its midcentury modern aesthetic and military-precision alignments, holds appeal "for those who simply wish to travel back to a time when the sexual revolution and the Vietnam War were on simmer, and Kerr was on the brink of superstardom," as the Lee brothers write in the introduction.

While many of these cookbooks seem to reflect a collective urge to retreat to the safety of a home kitchen, some of the folks writing these books say they were simply stoking long-held passions.

Adler, whose book is a richly woven culinary history, reaching back through the centuries to illuminate dishes (a 1615 herb soup recipe, for instance) that had all but disappeared, notes in her introduction

Oysters Rockefeller

Prep: 30 minutes **Cook:** 26 minutes

Makes: 1 dozen oysters

From "Something Old, Something New" by Tamar Adler (Scribner, \$27).

- 1 dozen good oysters (in the shell)
- Rock salt or other coarse salt
- Bottled clam juice (buy 2 bottles, though you may only use 1)
- 4 tablespoons (½ stick) unsalted butter
- 1 or 2 ribs celery, chopped (about ⅓ cup)
- 4 or 5 scallions, minced (about ⅓ cup)
- ¼ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup mixed fresh soft herbs (tarragon, celery leaf, parsley, savory, chervil, etc.)
- 3 tablespoons grated stale bread or fresh breadcrumbs

1 Scrub the oysters shells well under fast-running water. Shuck over a pan or plate, pouring all the liquid they release into a measuring cup through a fine-mesh strainer. Release the oysters from their bottom shells, but leave them in the shells. Cover a rimmed baking sheet with rock salt and nestle the oyster half shells in the salt to steady them. Add enough clam juice to the oyster juice liquid in the measuring cup to make 1 ½ cups liquid.

2 Melt the butter in a little pot. Add the celery and scallions. Cook for a minute over very low heat. Add the flour, whisking to keep it from browning. Slowly add the oyster liquid mixture, whisking the whole time. Bring to a boil for an instant as you whisk. Turn the burner to the lowest possible setting and cook, whisking occasionally, for 20 minutes, or until the veloute doesn't taste floury. Add the herbs. Cool for several minutes. Blend in a blender until smooth.

3 Set the oven to broil. Spoon a teaspoon of the herb veloute into each oyster. Top lightly with breadcrumbs. Broil until browned, 4 to 6 minutes. Serve quickly.

that "the passage of time prompts inevitable change: in the language of kitchen instruction, in fashion, and in us. We and the world reorganize ourselves regularly, and the recipes of one era are left behind at the dawn of the next."

Her years of poring over old cookbooks and antiquated menus left her with a vast collection of near-extinct kitchen instruction and invention, "mired in old language." Adler pared down old-fashioned recipes for our fast-paced time, but remained intent on preserving too-good-to-change prose and "a poetry of lost specifics." Adler says she thinks it's part of a natural human rhythm to reflect on how people lived in past eras and how we aspire to live now.

"I think we're essentially curious humans, and I wouldn't be surprised if this is sort of the way we

are: What do we do next? What did we do last?" she said. "I've always been interested in what's left over and what's left behind."

She cites the "bland opulence" of an earlier palate that she finds sublime — especially so in what she calls the "airy-fairy" desserts: *blancmange*, chilled flower blossom pudding, soufflés of a thousand iterations.

For Adler, who calls herself "a lazy cook," revision means "what was once precise is now estimated, what once took four steps now takes one (or two)." She insists she clung to "an almost Hippocratic will" to do no harm to a recipe, by way of overzealous tweak or stingy shortcut.

What once was oh-so-new — and lip-smackingly revived.

In Adler's book as well as "The Vintage Baker," it's not



Kare poaka

Prep: 1 hour, 20 minutes **Cook:** 2 hours **Makes:** 4 servings

Kare is Maori for curry; poaka is pork. The recipe comes from "The Graham Kerr Cookbook" by Graham Kerr, who cooked the dish for the Queen Mum when she visited the author's food and wine center in Wellington, New Zealand. But since royal edict ruled that she couldn't eat what hadn't been safety tested by guards, the most she could do was dip in a ladle and take a deep whiff!

- 2 pounds pork collar or neck and shoulder
- Salt and ground black peppercorns
- 4 tablespoons clarified butter
- 1 medium onion
- 2 tablespoons mild curry powder
- ¼ teaspoon mustard seeds
- 1 medium sweet green pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 clove garlic
- Juice from ½ lemon
- 1 tablespoon red currant jelly
- 1 ¼ cups coconut stock
- ¼ cup tomato sauce
- 1 cup coconut cream
- 1 large tablespoon chile powder

Method of preparation

Remove skin from pork and cut into 1-inch cubes. Season with salt and peppercorns. Slice onion into ¼-inch rings. Cut green pepper into 1-inch squares. Crush or squeeze garlic. Squeeze lemon. Make coconut stock and coconut cream. Combine tomato sauce with stock.

Serving

Serve with plenty of plain boiled rice. Side dishes may be prepared. Never serve wine — only lime juice and soda, or beer.

Directions

- 1** Heat butter in large saucepan. Add seasoned meat and stir. Add onion and curry powder — stir well.
- 2** Add mustard seeds, green peppers, bay leaf and garlic — blend.
- 3** Pour in lemon juice, red currant jelly, combined stock and sauce.
- 4** Simmer in an open pot for 1 ½ hours. If possible, cook the day before and leave in refrigerator overnight.
- 5** Skim off all fats, and add ⅝ cup coconut cream; reheat and pour off ¾ cup of cooking liquid (add more coconut cream if needed). Blend liquid with the chili powder and pour into a small sauce boat. This extra hot sauce can be added by those who prefer an "undemocratic curry"!

Coconut stock and cream for curries

1 ½ cups fresh coconut flesh, grated finely, or desiccated coconut (unsweetened)

Cream

- 1** Boil 1 to 1 ¼ cups water and pour over coconut. Cover tightly and allow to infuse (like tea) for 30 minutes.
- 2** Pour entire mixture into muslin and squeeze out moisture. This is the cream.

Stock

- 3** Boil 2 ½ cups water, and pour over squeezed coconut used to make the cream. Cover tightly and infuse, again for 30 minutes.
- 4** Strain and squeeze through muslin. This makes the stock.

Uses: Stock used as cooking liquid for curries. Cream used to finish the curry.

just the words that cast the spell, drawing us back in time and dialing down the situational jitters. It's the watercolor paintings of, say, tomato aspic, just slithered out of its mold, or, as in "The Vintage Baker," it's the charming little facsimile of a recipe booklet from an earlier era.

These retro cookbooks promise to soothe whatever jangles your modern-day nerves, to draw you into the comforting bosom of kitchens long past, and to serve up what's most delicious and shall not be lost.

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Smoky sherry vinaigrette is the ideal foil for super-fresh vegetables from the farmers market.

Pack up tapas for perfect picnic

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(tomato bread): Split and toast a crusty bread roll, smear with oil and cut garlic, then smush a red ripe tomato over the cut surface of the bread. Add drops of fruity Spanish olive oil and a dramatic sprinkle of coarse salt. OMG good.

We ate the delicious bread slowly while watching the cooks assemble the sliced Spanish chorizo and oil-cooked potatoes for our omelet. Beaten eggs get ladled into the skillet over the sausage and potatoes. The omelet gets flipped to cook both sides to golden perfection with a nearly creamy center. Finally, the omelet is slid onto a plate and smeared with garlicky mayonnaise. New memories form with each bite.

At home, I make a version within reach of most by using fully cooked chicken chorizo and Yukon gold potatoes. The tricky part is flipping the semi-cooked omelet. Use care and work in a small nonstick skillet to minimize trouble. Serve the omelet warm or at room temperature. I also like it cold topped with dressed lettuce and sliced tomato.

Immediately after tasting salmorejo, the thick and creamy rendition of chilled Spanish gazpacho served to us in Granada, we added it to our summer entertaining menu. When tomatoes are in season, I keep a glass jar of the soup in the refrigerator for the ultimate summer refresher. Tote it in a cooler along with a small container of garnishes to enjoy at the beach or an outdoor concert. Serve the soup with rosé, a wedge of manchego cheese and crusty bread.

Super-fresh farmers market carrots, beets, mushrooms and radishes transform from humble beginnings into gorgeous tapas offerings when lightly marinated in a sherry-and-smoked-paprika vinaigrette. The vegetables can be made a day or so in advance. Let them come to room temperature for the fullest flavor.

To pack your tapas picnic, put everything into shallow containers with tight lids. Line two trays with parchment paper, and arrange assorted cheeses on one tray and thinly sliced hams and salamis on the other. Wrap them tightly in plastic wrap for transporting. Refrigerate everything, and then pack in coolers with ice packs.

For this summer's sangria, I marinate berries and oranges in Spanish rosé. To make a sparkling cocktail, I top off the wine with apple- or berry-flavored kombucha which adds a light sparkle and cuts the sweetness. Use club soda for bolder bubbles.

I also tote a bottle of Spanish olive oil and a shallow rimmed bowl to pour it into, along with a basket to hold crackers and sliced French baguette. Bring plenty of small plates, wooden picks and forks for eating. Add a cooler of chilled beer, ice cubes and tall glasses for the sangria. Then enjoy a night of nibbling and good conversation under the stars with friends.

Herby garlic carrots

- Prep:** 15 minutes **Cook:** 5 minutes
Marinate: 30 minutes
Makes: 8 servings as part of a tapas menu
- 1 pound (about 10) skinny carrots with leafy tops
 - ¼ cup smoky sherry vinaigrette, see recipe
 - Salt
 - ½ teaspoon minced fresh tarragon, optional

1 Trim off and reserve carrot tops as a garnish. Lightly peel the carrots; slice crosswise into ¼-inch thick slices.

2 Heat a saucepan of salted water to the boil. Add carrots; cook uncovered until crisp-tender, about 5 minutes. Drain.

3 Put warm carrots into a small bowl; add vinaigrette and toss to mix well. Add salt to taste. Stir in tarragon if using. Let stand at room temperature 30 minutes or so. Serve garnished with finely chopped carrot greens. Or, refrigerate up to 2 days; serve at room temperature.

Nutrition information per serving: 61 calories, 4 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 5 g carbohydrates, 2 g sugar, 0 g protein, 84 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Smoky sherry vinaigrette

Pour into a jar with a tight-fitting lid ½ cup extra-virgin olive oil, 3 to 4 tablespoons sherry vinegar, 2 small cloves garlic, crushed, ½ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon ground cumin, ¼ teaspoon smoked paprika and ¼ teaspoon minced fresh thyme leaves (or ⅛ teaspoon dried thyme). Shake well. Refrigerate covered up to 1 week. Use at room temperature.
Makes: ¾ cup

Thick and creamy tomato gazpacho (Salmorejo)

- Prep:** 15 minutes **Chill:** 1 hour or more
Makes: 4 cups (8 servings)

A high-powered blender makes quick work of this soup. If using a food processor or regular blender, be sure to run the machine long enough to make the mixture absolutely smooth. You can substitute a 28-ounce can of crushed tomatoes for the ripe tomatoes, but be sure to read the labels; for the freshest tomato taste, choose those packed without citric acid or calcium chloride.

- 1 ½ cups panko breadcrumbs
 - 1 cup water
 - 1 ½ pounds (about 6) small, round, ripe tomatoes — cored and roughly chopped
 - 1 Anaheim or cubanelle pepper, halved, seeded, roughly chopped
 - 2 or 3 small cloves garlic, halved
 - ⅓ cup extra-virgin olive oil, preferably Spanish
 - 2 teaspoons sherry vinegar or red-wine vinegar
 - 1 to 1½ teaspoons salt
- Garnishes: Chopped hard-cooked egg and/or diced prosciutto ham

1 Put half of the breadcrumbs and ½ cup water into a blender jar. Add half of the tomatoes, pepper and garlic. Puree until absolutely smooth. Then add half of the oil in a slow steady stream while the blender runs. Transfer to a bowl, and repeat with the remaining breadcrumbs, water, tomatoes, pepper, garlic and oil.

2 Season the mixture with the vinegar and salt. Chill thoroughly. (The gazpacho will keep refrigerated up to 2 days.)

3 Serve chilled in small glasses garnished with the egg and/or ham. Pass spoons.

Nutrition information per ½ cup serving: 149 calories, 9 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 15 g carbohydrates, 2 g sugar, 2 g protein, 320 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Sparkling kombucha berry rosé sangria

- Prep:** 10 minutes **Chill:** several hours
Makes: 6 servings

For sangria, choose a rosé wine that is slightly fruity and not too pricey. The vermouth is optional, but I like the bitter qualities it adds to this rather sweet cocktail.

- 1 bottle Spanish rosé wine
- ½ cup orange liqueur, such as Cointreau or triple sec
- ½ cup sweet red vermouth
- ¼ cup simple syrup
- 1 cup thinly sliced, small, ripe strawberries
- 1 cup fresh or frozen raspberries
- ¼ small orange, very thinly sliced
- Ice cubes
- Apple- or berry-flavored kombucha, or plain club soda

Mix wine, liqueur, vermouth and simple syrup in a glass pitcher; add fruit. Refrigerate until very cold. Serve over ice, with a splash of kombucha or club soda.

Nutrition information per serving: 240 calories, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 28 g carbohydrates, 21 g sugar, 1 g protein, 11 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Chorizo and potato omelets a la Cal Pep

- Prep:** 20 minutes
Cook: 30 minutes
Makes: 4 omelets serving 4 (or 8 as part of a tapas menu)

- 4 or 5 medium-size yellow potatoes (1 pound total), scrubbed
- Extra-virgin olive oil, preferably Spanish
- ½ medium onion, very thinly sliced
- 6 to 7 ounces fully cooked chicken chorizo sausage, very thinly sliced
- 8 large eggs
- ¼ cup chicken broth
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon smoked or sweet paprika (pimenton)
- Garlicky mayonnaise or chopped fresh herbs

1 Cut potatoes into ½-inch dice and put into a microwave-safe bowl with ½ cup water. Cover with plastic wrap vented at one corner. Microwave on high (100 percent power) until potatoes are fork-tender, about 4 minutes. Drain and cool.

2 Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot. Add 3 tablespoons of the oil; add onion. Cook and stir until onion is tender and slightly golden, about 3 minutes. Add chorizo slices and potatoes; cook and stir to blend flavors, about 3 minutes. Remove from heat.

3 For each omelet, whisk together 2 of the eggs, 1 tablespoon of the broth, ¼ teaspoon salt and ⅛ teaspoon paprika in a small bowl. Add a quarter of the potato mixture and stir well.

4 Set a small (6- or 7-inch) nonstick skillet over medium heat until it's hot enough to make a drop of water sizzle on contact. Add 1 tablespoon oil to pan; swirl to coat the pan with the oil. Gently pour the egg-potato mixture into the skillet. Reduce the heat to medium-low. Lift the edges of the eggs as they cook to allow the liquid egg to run underneath. When most of the liquid is set, use a spatula to smooth the mixture into an even layer. Let cook, moving and shaking the skillet until the top surface is set but still quite moist, about 3 minutes.

5 Run a silicon spatula around and under the eggs to be sure nothing is sticking. Then set a plate just slightly larger than the skillet over the skillet. Very carefully invert the omelet onto the plate. Reduce the heat under the skillet to low and add a little oil if the pan looks dry. Slide the omelet back into the skillet with the cooked side up. Cook over low just to set the eggs, about 1 or 2 minutes more.

6 Once again flip the omelet onto a plate. Repeat to make three more omelets, wiping the pan clean between each before adding oil.

7 Serve the omelets warm or at room temperature, cut into wedges. Garnish with a dollop of mayonnaise, or sprinkle with herbs.

Nutrition information per serving (for 8 servings): 231 calories, 14 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 208 mg cholesterol, 14 g carbohydrates, 1 g sugar, 11 g protein, 524 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

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Grill the portobello mushroom "buns" until golden, turning only once.

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Turkey burgers in grilled portobello mushroom 'buns'

Prep: 30 minutes

Cook: 6-8 minutes

Makes: 4 servings

- 1 1/2 pounds coarsely ground turkey
- 4 to 8 cloves roasted garlic (recipe follows), mashed with a fork
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped Italian parsley
- 4 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil, plus extra for brushing
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 8 large similarly sized portobello mushrooms, stems removed
- 4 thin slices provolone cheese
- 2 medium tomatoes, cut crosswise to yield 4 slices, each about 1/4 inch thick
- Dill pickle chips

1 Heat an outdoor grill, an indoor grill or a broiler. Meanwhile, in a bowl, combine the turkey, garlic to taste, parsley, 4 teaspoons olive oil and salt and pepper to taste. Form the mixture into equal burger patties, each about a 1/2 inch thick.

2 When the grill or broiler is hot, brush the burger patties and mushroom caps on both sides with olive oil. Season the mushroom caps with salt and pepper. Grill or broil the burgers and mushroom caps until the burgers are nicely browned and cooked through, 3 to 4 minutes per side, and the mushrooms are golden, turning everything only once. About halfway through cooking the burgers on the second side, top each one with a slice of provolone.

3 When the mushrooms are done, place half of them, rounded side down, on a platter or individual serving plates. Nestle a burger patty inside each of the mushroom caps and top them with tomato slices and pickle chips to taste. Top with the remaining mushrooms, rounded sides up. Secure each burger with a wooden sandwich pick and serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving: 408 calories, 24 g fat, 7 g saturated fat, 138 mg cholesterol, 10 g carbohydrates, 6 g sugar, 41 g protein, 286 mg sodium, 3 g fiber

Roasted garlic

Prep: Heat the oven to 350. Cut off the tops of 2 heads of garlic to expose the cloves. Place the heads in the center of a sheet of heavy-duty aluminum foil. Season with salt. Drizzle well with extra-virgin olive oil and turn the garlic heads to coat them evenly. Securely close up the foil around the garlic.

Cook: Roast the garlic until the heads feel very tender when the package is carefully squeezed, protecting your hand with a folder kitchen towel or oven glove, 50 to 60 minutes. Remove from the oven. Set the package aside until it is cool enough to handle but still warm; or, if not using immediately, set aside to cool completely.

Squeeze: Pinch the cloves to extract the roasted garlic. Use immediately, or transfer to a container, cover and refrigerate until needed. **Makes:** about 1/2 cup

Twist on a summer fave: Bunless burgers

BY WOLFGANG PUCK
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Most people dream about great burgers whenever they fire up the grill. After all, what could be a more perfect example of the all-American pleasures of outdoor cooking, especially for Fourth of July festivities? But more and more people are trying to eat leaner food these days, especially during swimsuit season, which often leads them to limit their red meat intake.

The latest diet fads also add to such special demands. In the early days of the Atkins diet, that meant avoiding burger buns to cut carbohydrates. Nowadays, there's the so-called paleo diet, so named because it calls for eating only foods that humans ate during the Paleolithic Era.

That means only ingredients that could

have been hunted or gathered and prepared without processing, meaning nothing featuring grains, sugar or other processed foods. (Not very different from Atkins, is it?)

So, is there such a thing as a lean paleo burger?

My answer is yes, and you'll find a delicious example of it in my recipe for turkey burgers in grilled portobello mushroom "buns." I put quotes around that last word because, in place of bread buns, I substitute grilled portobello mushroom caps, which — when you think about it for even a second — are very much the same shape as a burger bun and seem perfectly made to enclose a burger patty. What right-thinking Paleolithic gatherer wouldn't have picked a few had he or she come across them?

To satisfy meat lovers who want to cut back on their beef intake, I use ground turkey

for this recipe. Many people find it as satisfying as beef, especially when you use a mix of dark and white meat and ask your butcher to grind it coarsely for a more satisfying texture. (Feel free to substitute chicken ground in the same way.) To add even more flavor, I mix the turkey with roasted garlic cloves as well as a touch of extra-virgin olive oil and some salt and pepper to taste.

I find these bunless burgers every bit as satisfying, and possibly even more flavorful, than the classic kind. The only drawback I can think of is that the juicy mushrooms will make your fingers a bit messier than a dry-surfaced bread bun. So you may want to use a knife and fork instead; or just pick it up and have plenty of napkins close at hand.

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- Walt's Own **Cake Donut Holes**
Plain, Powdered/Sugared, Cinnamon/Sugared or Granulated/Sugared
18 Pk. Pre-Packaged

\$1.99 **Your Choice**

Best Donuts in Town
Made Fresh in our Store

- Del Monte Whole Golden **Pineapple**
"Sweet as Honey"
Cantaloupe
Ea. **\$1.99**
- Red Ripe Sweet **Seedless Watermelon**
Ea. **\$4.99**

- Red Ripe Sweet **Grape Tomatoes**
Pint **99¢**
- "Andy Boy" Fresh **Romaine Hearts**
3 Pack **\$1.99**

- Driscoll's Finest! Sweet **Strawberries** 1 Lb. Pkg.
- New Crop Sweet Jersey **Blueberries** Pint **\$1.99**
- Washington Extra Large Sweet **Cherries**
Premium Red or Green
Seedless Grapes Lb. **\$1.99**

From Our Deli Hut

- Walt's Signature Premium **Polish Style Ham**
\$4.98 Lb. **Gluten Free**
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.
- Walt's Signature Premium **Oven Roasted Turkey Breast**
\$6.98 Lb. **Gluten Free**
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

- Walt's "All Natural" Premium 80% Lean Fresh **Ground Chuck**
Value Pack **\$2.79** Lb. **Ground fresh in store many times daily.**
- USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef" **Boneless Sirloin Steak**
Any Size Package **\$5.99** Lb.

- Walt's Premium "All Natural" Pork **Boneless Pork Country Ribs**
Value Pack **\$1.99** Lb.
- Walt's Premium "All Natural" Pork **Boneless Center Cut Pork Chops**
Value Pack **\$2.29** Lb.

- Miller Amish Country "100% Natural" Chicken
Whole Fryer
Cut Up Fryer Lb. **\$1.49** **Raised Without Antibiotics, Hormones or Steroids**
- Indiana Kitchen **Sliced Bacon**
16 Oz. **\$3.79**

- Bounty **Paper Towels**
6 Pk. Regular Rolls
- Charmin **Bath Tissue**
6 Pk. Mega Rolls or 12 Pk. Double Rolls

\$6.99 **Your Choice**

- Prego **Pasta Sauce**
14.5 - 24 Oz. **3/\$5**

- Aunt Millie's **Giant Bread**
White • Wheat • Italian
24 Oz. **4/\$5**

- Nestle Pure Life **Purified Water**
24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls. **4/\$10**

W WALT'S FOOD CENTERS

1937 - 2018

81 YEARS

Anniversary Savings!

- Klondike **Ice Cream Bars**
6 Pk. **2/\$5** Limit 2

- Dean's Premium **Ice Cream**
48 Oz. **2/\$5** Limit 2
- Breyers **Ice Cream**
48 Oz. **2/\$5** Limit 2

- Regular, Diet **Pepsi • Crush • Mtn. Dew • 7Up • A&W • Dr. Pepper • Canada Dry Ginger Ale**
6 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls. **5/\$10**

- Arm & Hammer **Liquid Laundry Detergent**
50 Oz. **\$1.99**

- Jays **Potato Chips**
10 Oz. **\$1.99**

- Best Choice/Prairie Farms/Pleasant View **Milk**
•2% Reduced Fat •1% Lowfat •Skim Fat Free
Gallon **\$1.99** Limit 2 Total

Available on the Walt's mobile app or at www.waltsfoods.com

W Digital Rewards DEAL of the Week

81¢ Limit 1

Betty Crocker Brownie Mix
•Family Fudge •Milk Chocolate
18.3 - 18.4 Oz.

DAIRY

Yoplait Yogurt
 •FruitSide
 •Greek 100
 •Mix-Ins
 Selected Varieties
 4 - 5.3 Oz.
88¢

When You Buy Any 4 of these Dean's and Save \$2
 Limit 2 offers per customer per visit.

TruMoo **Chocolate Milk** •Whole •1% Gallon **\$3.49**

Dean's **Cottage Cheese** 24 Oz. **\$2.49**

Dean's **Orchard Pure Orange Juice** 1/2 Gallon **\$2.49**

Dean's **DairyPure Sour Cream** 16 Oz. **\$1.69**

Dean's **DairyPure Half & Half** 14 Oz. **\$1.49**

When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4. Single Item Price \$3.99 Ea. When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4. Single Item Price \$2.99 Ea. When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4. Single Item Price \$2.99 Ea. When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4. Single Item Price \$2.19 Ea. When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4. Single Item Price \$1.99 Ea.

Sargento Cheese
 •Shredded 5-8 Oz.
 •Natural Slices 6.67-7 Oz.
 Selected Varieties
2/\$5

Best Choice Jumbos Biscuits
 16 Oz.
2/\$3

Smart Balance Soft Spread
 Selected Varieties
 13 - 15 Oz.
\$2.79

Pillsbury Grands! Biscuits
 16.3 Oz.
\$1.99

Simply Potatoes
 20 Oz.
\$2.19

Simply Juice
 11.5 Oz.
4/\$5

Oberweis Chocolate Milk
 1/2 Gallon
2/\$6

Dutch Farms Cracker Cheese Cuts
 10 Oz.
2/\$6

Dutch Farms Cheese Wedges
 4 Oz.
3/\$4

Dutch Farms Shredded Cheese
 •Regular •Fancy
 Selected Varieties
 6 - 8 Oz.
5/\$10

Dutch Farms Cheese
 Selected Varieties
 •Bars 8 Oz.
 •Natural Slices 6 Oz.
5/\$10

Dutch Farms Regular American Cheese Singles
 12 Oz.
\$1.79

Reddi Wip Whipped Topping
 6.5 Oz. Can
2/\$4

Dutch Farms Cream Cheese
 •Regular •1/3 Less Fat
 •Fat Free
 8 Oz. Box
3/\$4

Dean's Dips
 Selected Varieties
 16 Oz.
\$1.79

Yoplait Oui French Style Yogurt
 5 Oz.
3/\$4

Chobani Yogurt
 32 Oz.
\$4.99

Frigo Ricotta Cheese
 15 Oz.
2/\$5

Jell-O Pudding •Gelatin
 4 Pk.
\$1.79

Minute Maid Premium Fruit Punch •Lemonade
 59 Oz.
3/\$5

Simply Fruit Juice
 52 Oz.
2/\$5

Dutch Farms Organic Milk
 1/2 Gallon
\$3.99
 New At Wal-Mart's

Florida's Natural Premium Orange Juice
 59 Oz.
2/\$7

Gold Peak Tea
 59 Oz.
\$2.49

Oberweis Fruit Punch •Lemonade •Tea
 1/2 Gallon
2/\$4

FROZEN

Dean's Premium Ice Cream Cream Bars
 48 Oz.
2/\$5

Breyers Ice Cream Cream Bars
 48 Oz.
2/\$5

Klondike Ice Cream Bars
 6 Pk.
2/\$5

Limit 2 Please

Cool Whip Whipped Topping
 8 Oz. Tub
99¢

Pillsbury Frozen Pie Shells
 •Regular •Deep Dish
 2 Pk.
2/\$3

Totino's Pizza Rolls
 7.5 Oz. Box
10/\$10

DiGiorno Pizza
 12 Inch
2/\$9

Eggo Waffles •Pancakes
 Selected Varieties
 8.9 - 16.4 Oz.
2/\$5

Jimmy Dean Biscuits •Croissants
 Selected Varieties
 34 - 36 Oz.
\$8.99

Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Novelties
 16 Oz.
2/\$7

Magnum Ice Cream Bars
 Selected Varieties, 3 Pk.
2/\$7

Dean's Ice Cream Sandwiches, Ice Cream Bars, Fudge Bars, Cream Bars, Crunch Bars or Toffee Bars
 Selected Varieties
 10 - 12 Pk.
2/\$5

Pepperidge Farm 3-Layer Cake
 19 - 19.6 Oz.
2/\$5

Turnovers
 12.5 Oz.
2/\$5

Louisa Pasta
 Selected Varieties
 16 - 22 Oz.
\$3.99

Ore Ida Potatoes
 Selected Varieties
 14 - 32 Oz.
2/\$5

Fries
 Checkers Family 28 Oz., Arby's Seasoned Curly 22 Oz., Red Robin Steak 22 Oz. or Nathan's Jumbo Crinkle Cut 28 Oz.

Onion Rings
 Red Robin Crispy 14 Oz. or Nathan's Famous 16 Oz.
2/\$5

Pepperidge Farm Garlic Texas Toast 8 Ct.
2/\$5

Five Cheese Texas Toast 6 Ct.
2/\$5

Mozzarella Garlic Bread 11.75 Oz.
2/\$5

SmartMade Frozen Entrees
 Selected Varieties
 8.5 - 10 Oz.
2/\$6

Healthy Choice Simply Café Steamers
 Selected Varieties
 9 - 10 Oz.
\$2.99

Banquet Family Size Entrees
 24 - 27 Oz.
2/\$5

Banquet Sliders
 Cheeseburger 11.64 Oz.
 Chicken 10 Oz.
\$4.99
 New At Wal-Mart's

Banquet Chicken
 Nuggets • Patties
 Tenders
 12.6 - 15 Oz.
\$2.49

TGI Friday's Appetizers
 Selected Varieties
 7.6 - 11 Oz.
\$3.79

Red Baron Pizza
 12 Inch
\$2.99

Pizza
 •Home Run Inn Classic
 •Gino's East Tavern Style
 12 Inch
\$6.99

Walt's Pizzeria Style Pizza
 12 Inch
2/\$10
 New Look! Better Quality! Locally Made!
 Great On The Grill!

Doreen's Gluten Free Pizza
 13.3 - 14.3 Oz.
\$5.99
 Great On The Grill! Locally Made!

White Castle Hamburgers
 Regular • Cheese
 6 Pk.
\$3.99

Pizza
 •Scream'n' Sicilian
 20.2 - 25.05 Oz.
\$5.99

Urban Pie
 16.20 - 20.45 Oz.
\$5.99

FINE WINE, BREWS & SPIRITS

Available in Homewood, Tinley Park, Crete, Frankfort & Beecher stores only.

Miller Lite • Miller 64 • Miller Genuine Draft • Coors • Coors Light • Budweiser • Bud Light
 24 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. or Cans
\$14.99

Miller High Life • Miller High Life Light • Busch • Busch Light • Icehouse • Rolling Rock
 30 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
\$11.99

Blue Moon • Leinenkugel's
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. or Cans
\$12.99

Bud Light Lime • Bud Light Orange • Michelob Ultra
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. or Cans
\$8.99

New Amsterdam • Woodbridge Wine • 19 Crimes Wine • Revolution • Founder's
 •Vodka • Gin 750 ML **\$9.99**
 •Merlot • Pinot Grigio • Chardonnay • Cabernet 1.5 Ltr. **\$11.99**
 •Red Blend • Cabernet • Chardonnay 750 ML **\$9.99**
 •Craft Beer Specials
 6 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. or Cans **\$8.99**

GM/HBC

Suave Professional Shampoo or Conditioner
 •Keratin • Rose Oil
 •Coconut Oil • Moroccan
 12.6 Oz.
\$2.79

Gillette Sensor2 Disposable Razors
 •Plus Pivot
 •Sensitive
 5 Ct.
\$3.99

Anti Perspirant & Deodorant
 •Old Spice 3 Oz.
 Shower Fresh or Pure Sport
 •Secret 2.6 Oz.
 Powder Fresh, Shower Fresh or Spring Breeze
\$2.49

Scope Mouth Rinse
 •Outlast Mint
 •Original Mint
 33.8 Oz.
\$3.49

Wet Ones Wipes • Benadryl • Q-tips Cotton Swabs • Crest 3D White Toothpaste
 •Citrus Scent
 •Sensitive
 •Fresh Scent
 40 Ct. **\$1.99**
 24 Ct. **\$3.99**
 375 Ct. **\$2.49**
 •Radiant Mint
 •Aristic Fresh
 3.5 Oz. **\$2.99**

GROCERY

Hills Bros.
Coffee
•High Yield
30.5 Oz.
•Mild, Medium,
Colombian or
Perfect Balance
23 - 26 Oz.

\$5.99



Aunt Millie's
•**Giant Bread**
White, Wheat or Italian
24 Oz.
•**Deluxe Hamburger
or Hot Dog Buns**
8 Ct.

4/\$5



Powerade
32 Oz.

69¢



Nestle
Pure Life
Water
•24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.
•24 Pk. 8 Oz. Btls.

4/\$10



Arm & Hammer
**Laundry
Detergent**
•Liquid 50 Oz.
•Oxi Clean 3-in-1 Paks 17 Ct.

\$1.99



•Bounty
Paper Towels
6 Pk. Regular Rolls
•Charmin
Bath Tissue
6 Pk. Mega Rolls or
12 Pk. Double Rolls

\$6.99

Your Choice



Sweet Baby Ray's
**Barbecue
Sauce**
18 Oz.

99¢



Bush's
**Baked
Beans**
22 - 28 Oz.

\$1.88



Prego
**Pasta
Sauce**
14.5 - 24 Oz.

3/\$5



Hunt's
Tomatoes
14.5 - 15 Oz.

4/\$5



Corleone
**Extra Virgin
Olive Oil**
30 Oz.

\$4.99



Enrico Formella
•**Giardinera**
•**Sport
Peppers**
16 Oz.

2/\$5



Ruffles
**Potato
Chips**
8 - 9.5 Oz.

2/\$5



Doritos
**Tortilla
Chips**
10 - 10.5 Oz.

2/\$5



•Sunshine
Cheez-It Crackers
6 - 7 Oz.

•Keebler
**Cracker
Sandwich Packs**
11 Oz.

•**Fudge Cookies**
8.5 - 12.5 Oz.

\$1.99



Snyder's
**Flavored
Pretzel
Pieces**
10 - 12 Oz.

2/\$5



Butternut
Bread
•Italian 18 Oz.
•Whole Grain White 20 Oz.
•Honey Wheat 20 Oz.

\$1.79



Thomas'
Regular
**English
Muffins**
12 Oz.

**Buy One, Get One
FREE**



Regular, Diet
•**Coke**
•**Coke Zero, Sugar**
•**Sprite**
12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans Or
8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls.

3/\$11



•Seagram's
Ginger Ale
•Minute Maid
•**Fanta**
•**Barq's**
2 Ltr.

5/\$5



Regular, Diet
•**Pepsi**
•**Mtn. Dew**
•**Crush**
24 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans

\$6.99



•**Gatorade**
32 Oz.

10/\$10



•**Snapple Tea**
6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls.

•**Snapple
Straight Up Tea**
6 Pk. 18.5 Oz. Btls.

•**Deja Blue Water**
24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.

\$3.99



Tradewinds
Tea
128 Oz.

2/\$5



Coffeemate
**Powdered
Creamer**..... 35.3 Oz.

\$4.99



Folgers
Coffee..... 10.3 - 11.3 Oz.

\$3.49



V8
Splash..... 64 Oz.

2/\$4



Country Time or
Kool Aid
Drink Mix..... 8 Qt.

2/\$4



Vlasic
Pickles..... 16 - 24 Oz.

2/\$4



Campbell's
Spaghetti..... 15.8 Oz.

79¢



Zatarain's
**Rice Side
Dishes**..... 5.7 - 6.9 Oz.

5/\$5



Kellogg's
•**Pop Tarts** 8 Ct.
•**Nutri Grain
Bars**..... 7 - 10.4 Oz.

\$1.99



Puffs
Facial Tissue..... 88 - 180 Ct.

\$1.79



Downy
**Liquid Fabric
Softener**..... 41 - 51 Oz.

\$4.99



•**Bounce
Dryer Sheets** 70 - 80 Ct.

•**Cascade
Action Pacs**..... 11 - 20 Ct.

\$3.99



Purina
Kit N Kaboodle
Dog Food..... 16 Lb.

\$9.99

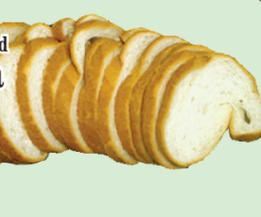


COUNTRY BAKERY

DELI-HUT

Walt's Own
Fresh Baked
**Vienna
Bread**
1 Lb. Loaf

\$1.99



Walt's Own
**Magnificent
Muffin Sale**
4 Pk. Pre-Packaged

\$3.99



Walt's Own
**Dutch Apple
Pie**
8 Inch

\$4.99



Walt's Own
**Value Pack
Cookie Sale**
12 Pk. Pre-Packaged

\$3.49



Walt's Own
Buttercream Iced
Summer Decorated
Single Layer
Cake
8 Inch

\$5.99



Walt's Own
**Zucchini
Bread**

\$3.49



Walt's Own
Caramel Iced Large
**Cream
Ring**

\$9.99



Walt's Own
Holland Cream Filled
**Streusel
Coffee Cake**

\$4.49



BUY OF THE WEEK!
Walt's Signature Premium
**Polish Style
Ham**
\$4.98
Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!
Walt's Signature Premium
**Turkey
Breast**
\$6.98
Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!
Dietz & Watson
All Varieties
**Chicken
Breast**
\$6.98
Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!
Dietz & Watson
All Varieties
**Turkey
Breast**
\$7.98
Lb.
\$3.99 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!
Dietz & Watson
All Varieties
Ham
\$6.98
Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!
Dietz & Watson
All Varieties
Beef
\$9.98
Lb.
\$4.99 1/2 Lb.

Garden Fresh
**Taco
Pasta Salad**
\$4.39
Lb.

Garden Fresh Creamy
**Kidney Bean
Salad**
\$3.79
Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Poppy Seed
Cole Slaw
\$3.99
Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
**Pickled
Beets**
\$3.79
Lb.

BUTCHER SHOP

Miller Amish Country
"100% Natural" Chicken
•Whole Fryer
•Cut Up Fryer

\$1.49 Lb.



Raised Without Antibiotics, Hormones or Steroids

USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Boneless Sirloin Steak
Any Size Package

\$5.99 Lb.



USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Beef Bottom Round Roast
Sold As Roast Only

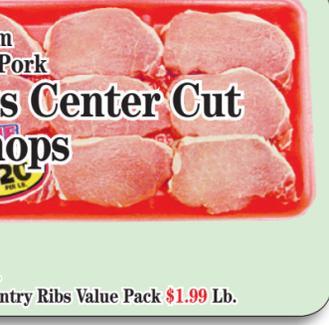
\$3.49 Lb.



Bottom Round Steaks Value Pack **\$3.79** Lb.

Walt's Premium "All Natural" Pork
Boneless Center Cut Pork Chops
Value Pack

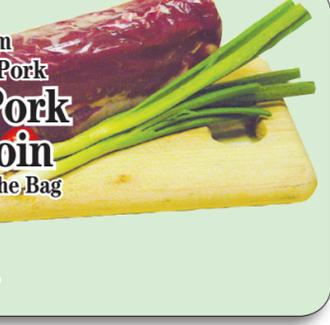
\$2.29 Lb.



Boneless Pork Country Ribs Value Pack **\$1.99** Lb.

Walt's Premium "All Natural" Pork
Whole Pork Tenderloin
Sold Whole in the Bag

\$2.99 Lb.



Walt's "All Natural" Premium 80% Lean Fresh
Ground Chuck
Value Pack

\$2.79 Lb.



Fresh Ground Chuck Patties Value Pack **\$3.29** Lb.

Scott Pete **Jumbo Franks**
(Excludes Beef)
16 Oz.
2/\$3

Nathan's Famous **Beef Franks**
Selected Varieties
11 - 14 Oz.
2/\$7

Indiana Kitchen **Sliced Bacon**
16 Oz.
\$3.79

Honeysuckle Fresh **Turkey Sausage**
Selected Varieties
20 Oz.
\$3.99

Tyson IQF Bagged Boneless Skinless **Chicken Breasts**
2.5 Lb. Bag
\$5.79

Oscar Mayer **Basic Lunchables**
Assorted Varieties
2.2 - 2.4 Oz.
5/\$5

Carl Buddig **Premium Deli**
Assorted Varieties
8 Oz.
\$1.69

Bobak's **Smoked Sausage**
Selected Varieties
14 Oz.
\$3.59

Jennie-O **Turkey**
•Bacon 12 Oz. **2/\$4**
•Franks 12 Oz. **4/\$5**
•Smoked Sausage 14 Oz. **2/\$5**

Eckrich **Smoked Sausage**
Selected Varieties
8.5 - 14 Oz.
2/\$5

Armour **Meatballs**
Assorted Varieties
14 Oz.
2/\$5

On-Cor Bagged **Chicken**
•Nibblers •Strips
•Patties
26 - 27.5 Oz.
2/\$7

Sea Best **Cod Fillets**
•Ocean Perch Fillets
•Flounder Fillets
16 Oz.
\$5.49

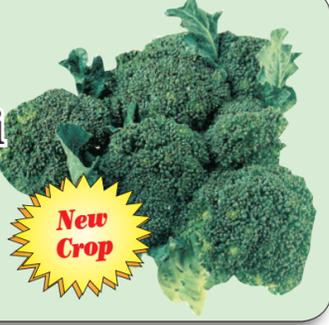
American Chef 31/40 Ct. Large **Cooked Tail-On Shrimp**
16 Oz. Bag
\$7.99

Fresh Farm Raised **Catfish Fillets**
Product of USA
\$4.99 Lb.

PRODUCE

Fresh Picked!
Broccoli Crowns

99¢ Lb.



New Crop

Red Ripe Sweet
Grape Tomatoes
Pint

99¢



Fresh Homegrown
Green Beans

\$1.49 Lb.



Young N Tender

Driscoll's Finest!
Sweet
Strawberries
1 Lb. Pkg.

\$1.99



Fresh Express
Baby Blends

•Sweet & Crunchy
•Spinach & Arugula
•Veggie Spring •Baby Spinach
•Baby Kale •Tender Garden
•50/50 •Spring Mix

2/\$5



Wonderful Fresh
Pistachios

•Roasted & Salted
•Lightly Salted
•Natural Raw •Sweet Chili
•Salt & Pepper
14 - 16 Oz. Pkg.

\$5.99



Washington
Extra Large Sweet
Cherries
Lb.

\$1.99



Sweet Jersey
Blueberries
Pint

\$1.99



New Crop

Premium
Seedless Grapes
Lb.

\$1.99



Red Green

Del Monte
Whole Golden
Pineapple
Ea.

\$1.99



Jumbo Size

"Sweet as Honey"
Cantaloupe
Ea.

\$1.99



Jumbo Size

"Andy Boy" Fresh
Romaine Hearts
3 Pack

\$1.99



Washington
Extra Large Fresh
Apricots
Lb.

\$1.99



Homegrown
Fresh
Green Cabbage
Lb.

49¢



Extra Large
Sweet
Black Plums
Lb.

\$1.99



Washington
Extra Large
Rainier Cherries
Lb.

\$3.99



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BUY 8 SAVE \$8

STOCK UP and SAVE!

Limit 2 Offers Per Customer Per Visit

Kraft Heinz

MAXWELL HOUSE

PLANTERS

Mix or Match

Oscar Mayer

Kool-Aid

Mix or Match

Oscar Mayer

•Bologna
•Cotto Salami

(Excludes Beef or Turkey)
Selected Varieties
14 - 16 Oz.

99¢

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$1.99 Ea.



Oscar Mayer
Funpack Lunchables

Selected Varieties
4 - 10.7 Oz.

99¢

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$1.99 Ea.

Kraft
•Miracle Whip
•Mayo

20 - 30 Oz.

\$2.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$3.49 Ea.



Classico
Pasta Sauce

15 - 24 Oz.

\$1.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Planters
Peanuts

•Dry Roasted
•Cocktail
16 Oz.

\$1.99

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$2.99 Ea.



Kraft
Mac & Cheese
Cups

•Original
•Deluxe
•Velveeta Shells
4 Ct.

\$2.99

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$3.99 Ea.



Coffee

•Maxwell House
24.5 - 30.6 Oz. or 12 Ct. K-Cups
•McCafé or Gevalia
12 Oz. Bag or 6-12 Ct. K-Cups

\$5.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$6.49 Ea.



Devour
Frozen
Entree

Selected Varieties
7.2 - 12 Oz.

\$2.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$3.49 Ea.



Kraft
Cheese

•Shredded
•Chunks
Selected Varieties
5 - 8 Oz.

\$1.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Oscar Mayer
Economy
Lunchmeat

Selected Varieties
14 - 16 Oz.

\$1.99

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$2.99 Ea.



Kraft
Cheese
Singles

•Regular American
•Sharp Cheddar
•Pepperjack
•Mozzarella
12 Oz.

\$1.49

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Kool-Aid
Jammers

10 Pk.

99¢

When You Buy Any 8, Must Buy 8.
Single Item Price \$1.99 Ea.



BUY 4 SAVE \$2

STOCK UP and SAVE!

Limit 2 Offers Per Customer Per Visit



Nabisco
Oreo Cookies
10.1 - 15.25 Oz.

\$1.99

When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Peter Pan
Peanut Butter
16.3 Oz.

\$1.99

When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4.
Single Item Price \$2.49 Ea.



Lipton
Tea
Gallon

\$1.99

When You Buy Any 4, Must Buy 4.
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