



## Records lift veil on lax assessments



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Joseph Berrios' office's "hand reviews" altered a quarter of home values.

### Computer model values changed often; Zillow, other shortcuts used

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Chicago Tribune

Newly released court documents show that analysts working for Cook County Assessor Joseph Berrios often changed home values produced by the office's computer model, a sign of shortcomings in the system that made the property tax system unfair

to less-affluent homeowners.

More than a fifth of home values were adjusted during "hand reviews," with assessment analysts sometimes relying on websites such as Zillow or Trulia to determine a home's characteristics, Berrios' director of residential valuations said under oath.

In addition, aides some-

times switched the values of similar homes in entire neighborhoods "depending on where our level of assessment is or where we want to be," in the words of one analyst. And Berrios workers removed so-called outliers — homes that fall outside neighborhood patterns — from an initial computer analysis without a set of specific guidelines to determine which should be taken out of the equation.

The revelations are contained in court documents

stemming from a lawsuit the Chicago Tribune filed as it was reporting on "The Tax Divide." The investigation found that the assessor's home values in affluent neighborhoods often were too low, and those in economically struggling areas often were too high — resulting in an unfair shift of the tax burden from the wealthy to the less affluent.

Berrios' office denied an open records request for documents and spreadsheets related to hand re-

views and commercial assessments. The Tribune went to court, saying the office had no right to withhold the documents under Illinois law. Last month, an Illinois appeals court upheld a lower court ruling ordering the documents released.

As Berrios now mulls whether to take the issue to the Illinois Supreme Court, the appeals court unsealed previously unavailable files

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## Judge: 'You tell me how he died'

DCFS scolded for refusing to discuss boy's death in fire

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Chicago Tribune

A Cook County judge angrily scolded the state's child welfare agency Thursday over the slow pace of its investigation into the fire death of a 3-year-old boy in foster care, losing his temper when officials refused to provide any details.

"You tell me how he died, OK?" Juvenile Court Judge Patrick Murphy said during an often-combative hearing. "I failed a kid because I appointed you as a guardian."

Officials with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services explained they were still conducting their own investigation and did not want to comment on accounts by police and fire officials that Maqkwone Jones was left alone in a locked apartment when fire spread from back porches.

"He died in a fire last Sunday," Murphy shot back. "It's Thursday. ... I can tell you, I can find out in an hour. ... It would not take me four days."

In another tense exchange, Murphy demanded to know why the agency hadn't acted on an earlier complaint about inadequate supervision in the home. The complaint was made to DCFS earlier this year, and investigators determined it was unfounded, but an agency attorney could not give any other details.

Murphy said he wanted to know more about the complaint and why no action was taken. "I think it's pretty relevant," he said. "So someone reports a lack of supervision. ... A couple days later a kid dies in a fire."

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## Pomp, protest greet president in England

President Donald Trump left the NATO gathering on Thursday and traveled to Britain, where his visit will be shadowed by protests. But at a lavish welcoming ceremony, all was serene. **Nation & World, Page 9**

## From 'musician with a script' to possible hitmaker

Chicago-born Boots Riley finished a first draft of "Sorry to Bother You" in 2012. He had reasons to wonder if his dark comedy would ever get off the page. It did, and will expand to wide release Friday. **A+E**



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## Officials reopen Till case



AP

### Book's revelations prompt Justice Department to investigate again

Federal investigators will reopen their probe into the 1955 slaying of Emmett Till, prompted by new information published in a 2017 book, according to two people familiar with the case. Till, left, a 14-year-old visiting rural Mississippi from Chicago, was killed after he was accused of whistling at and making sexual advances toward a white woman, Carolyn Bryant. He's buried in Burr Oak Cemetery in Alsip, above. The book, "The Blood of Emmett Till," by historian Timothy Tyson, includes the first-known interview with Bryant, who concedes that Till did not come on to her sexually. "That part's not true," she told Tyson, according to the book. For Till's Chicago relatives, news of the investigation was no surprise, said Airickca Gordon-Taylor, a spokeswoman for the family. "Of course we want justice. We were thrilled that there is an investigation," she said. **Stories in Chicagoland, Page 4, and Nation & World, Page 10**



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FBI agent Peter Strzok defends his actions Thursday before a House committee.

## FBI agent, GOP lawmakers mix it up at chaotic hearing

Strzok testifies he never acted on his anti-Trump views

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WASHINGTON — An embattled FBI agent whose anti-Trump text messages exposed the Justice Department to Republican allegations of institutional bias defended him-

self Thursday at a congressional hearing that devolved into shouting matches, finger-pointing and veiled references to personal transgressions.

Peter Strzok testified publicly for the first time since being removed from special counsel Robert Mueller's team, which is probing possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia, following the discovery of the texts last year. He said the

communications with an FBI lawyer in the run-up to the 2016 presidential election reflected personal opinions that he never once acted on, though he did acknowledge being dismayed during the campaign by the Republican candidate's behavior.

In a chaotic hearing that spanned 10 hours, he insisted he never allowed personal opinions to affect

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## Build-A-Bear promotion swamps stores

'Pay Your Age Day' leads to crowds, closings, vouchers

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Katie Nanak used Build-A-Bear Workshop's "Pay Your Age Day" promotion as a bribe all week, encouraging daughter Claire, 5, and son Teddy, 3, to go to bed on their own to earn their bear.

When the day of the sale arrived Thursday, the Logan Square family headed to the Build-A-Bear store at Oakbrook Center. The Nanaks expected long lines. They didn't expect the scene that greeted them.

"It was pandemonium," Nanak said. "People brought chairs, but the line didn't seem to be moving much."

The Nanaks weren't the only ones surprised by the turnout for the event, which allowed members of the chain's rewards

program to create a stuffed animal in its stores and pay a price matching their current age. The crowds across the country were so overwhelming that the chain said it either closed stores or cut off lines at its stores in the U.S. and Canada "per local authorities ... due to crowd and safety concerns."

"We feel it is important to share that, based on the information available to us before the day began, we could not have predicted this reaction to our Pay Your Age Day event," Build-A-Bear said in a second statement later Thursday, citing "long lines, extensive waits and disappointed" customers.

The company, which did not respond to requests for comment, said it issued vouchers for a future purchase to customers who remained in line. Vouchers also will be available to members of the chain's rewards program who log in to their accounts before midnight

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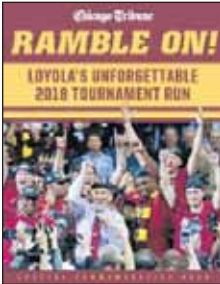
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Fans at the Croatian Cultural Center in West Rogers Park celebrate the team's winning goal Wednesday against England.



## JOHN KASS

# City's Croatians feeling joy as World Cup final nears

It's been a lousy sports crop in Chicago this year, full of thistles and flinty rocks, not counting those happy Cubs.

I can't count the Cubs. They are not of my sports world. The Cubs and their fans live in some unknown dimension where they know only joy, on their home planet called Happy Land, always so lush and green, like their horrid ivy.

The White Sox are pitiful, dry seeds in hard ground, waiting for the Miracle (aka Eloy Jimenez) to breathe life upon them. But it will take another two long seasons before the team begins to sprout.

The Blackhawks weren't the Blackhawks this year, and unfortunately, the Bulls are still the Bulls.

The Bears promise a new offense and some fans are deliriously excited even before training camp opens. They wonder: Could this be a magical season, where Bears fans can bark like victorious dogs once again?

No. Irrational hope can be rather sad when viewed clinically, from afar. And my beloved Chicago Fire?

Just think of a statue of a tortured man holding his head in his hands, his face a study in agony, his stone mouth a silent scream.

That was me in the Toyota Park parking lot after Wednesday night's game. The Fire had just lost 4-3 to a crappy Philadelphia side. And that word I was trying to scream? "Defense!" — a concept foreign to our men in red.

As Chicago knows, sports fan misery is a selfish disease that drags you down. You're so focused on your own (vicarious) disappointments that you miss real joy experienced by others all around you.

I thought about calling a psychiatrist, but since I'd rather call a Vodou doctor than have one of those neurotic nerds poking around in my head, I called a priest instead.

The Rev. Ivica Majstorovic, pastor of St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church in the Bridgeport neighborhood, the parish of the Croatians.

He had me at hello. "Hello, John!" he said. "Do you feel the joy? Can you believe it? Croatia in the World Cup final! The English didn't respect us. Let's hope the French will!"

And just like that, my selfish sports woes were washed away.

Because the 2018 World Cup has been fantastic, and little Croatia, dismissed by many soccer snobs, particularly those in the British sports media, has magic at its feet.

"The English kept saying, 'We're bringing the Cup home,' because they invented the game, but it didn't happen that way," Father Ivica said.

England loves soccer and stout yeomen played a rough version of the game on Sundays in the 1300s. But the king outlawed Sunday soccer so that the men could practice with a lethal weapon of war: the English longbow.

World soccer anticipated a France-England finals matchup. TV producers would have stitched clips together of Kenneth Branagh in Shakespeare's "Henry V" and the "We band of brothers" speech, before the English longbowmen wiped out the flower of French chivalry on the muddy ground at Agincourt. Ratings gold.

But little Croatia, stubborn Croatia, refused to yield to the hype, defeating England and making it to the big game.

Croatia is one of the smallest countries ever to make the World Cup finals. Some of the players on the Croatian national team were child refugees from the last Balkan war. They already know suffering and are possessed of incredible mental toughness.

They also have the best midfielders in the world, Luka Modric and Ivan Rakitic.

On Sunday these underdogs face the galactic titans of France, the France of Paul Pogba and N'Golo Kante.

The midfield battle between these four is likely to decide a game that will be watched by billions around the world. Kante always comes to play. But Pogba has been known to shut

down, mentally. If he doesn't, France should win. If Pogba pouts, Modric and Rakitic will slice them up.

Another battle to watch will play out on the Croatian right flank, between right back Sime Vrsaljko and world soccer's new star, French left winger and brilliant teenage speedster Kylian Mbappe.

After playing three grueling games, will Vrsaljko be able to force a fresh Mbappe back to play defense? Or will Mbappe be allowed to just wait on the wing, and strike like a falcon at Croatia's goal?

You don't think priests just want to talk theology and sin, do you?

"Croatians have been underdogs too, in soccer, in life, underdogs here in Chicago," said the priest. "The people are so happy. There is a unity of feeling, a passion for Croatia. To be here, it's just wonderful."

I know Father Ivica from last August, when the men of his parish roasted some 50 lambs over live coals for Velika Gospa, the feast of the Assumption of the Virgin.

They worked all through a hot night, sweating buckets, in the legendary furnacelike brick garage behind the church that they call the "Lamb Motel." And for much of the night, we talked soccer.

The "Lamb Motel" and the old convent will be taken down, he said, to make room for the construction of a school gym.

What will the kids play? "Soccer, of course! What else?" said Father Ivica. In Croatia, even the seminarians play on their class breaks and before vespers. "What I'm thinking about is the 10 o'clock Mass on Sunday. I'm thinking of moving it up to earlier in the morning, because at game time, no one will be there."

Father, I give you dispensation. It's the World Cup, man!

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# Stop demolishing our city’s beautiful old homes



**MARY SCHMICH**

By late Thursday, Leyla Royale’s online petition had gathered nearly a thousand signatures, far more than she’d imagined when she posted her plea the day before.

“Save 1441 Carmen from Demolition” the petition urged, and one by one, the hopeful signed.

“This building is the last of its kind in the entire neighborhood,” one supporter wrote. “Let’s see if we can manage not to screw up one thing. Please.”

“Please leave this little bit of beautiful history & much needed green-space in lovely Andersonville,” begged another.

One said simply, “We need to save Chicago architecture.”

It’s an old, common cry in a city where demolition and development are often spoken in the same breath, and where trying to save historic homes from the wrecking ball can feel as futile as trying to stop the snow.

My Twitter feed teems with beautiful houses doomed to vanish in the time it takes to say “bulldozed.”

Bungalows, two-flats, three-flats, greystones, workers’ cottages. The photos, posted by people who lament the death of Chicago’s tangible past, flit through my social media feed like a parade of the condemned en route to the guillotine.

But Royale and many others are hoping the house at 1441 W. Carmen Ave. will be spared.

“I think a lot of people in neighborhoods are tired of buildings like this being torn down for cookie-cutter condos and cookie-cutter million-dollar single-family homes,” Royale said Thursday.

In the muggy afternoon, she was standing outside the building she hopes to save, a three-story orange-brick Victorian Queen Anne that comes with the features the name evokes: a high-pointed gable, a bay window, a front porch with slender columns. The yard is lush, shady and, most important for a developer, really big.

Once upon a time, neighbors recall, two elderly women lived in



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Leyla Royale, in front of the Victorian house at 1441 W. Carmen Ave. in Chicago, started a petition to halt the planned demolition of the property.

## The massive new constructions steal our visible connection to the past.

the house. They’d be seen out walking or gardening, and though they kept to themselves, they were friendly. Eventually, they moved out — rumor has it to a nursing home — and were replaced by tenants.

According to city records, the house is now owned by a developer.

Many neighbors might not have known of the demolition plans if not for Royale. She’s 29 and works as a tour guide for various organizations. Recently, as she prepared to give an Andersonville tour for a friend’s com-

pany, Chicago for Chicagoans, she began researching the house. She learned there was a demolition permit in progress.

“It really upset me,” she said.

She loved walking by the house on her way to the train, thinking about all the people who had passed through it, all the history it contained. Tearing it down seemed crazy.

She emailed her alderman, Ameya Pawar, went to a block club meeting, consulted with the city, dove into the internet in search of information.

In her research, she discovered the house is rated “orange” by the city, a categorization that signifies architectural significance and typically means a demolition permit requires a 90-day hold. She also discovered that the 90-day hold expired in early July.

So she decided to fight the modern way, online.

In her petition, she lamented the developers who replace gracious homes and yards with giant buildings that stretch from lot line to lot line.

“This is slowly but surely destroying the architecture of the neighborhood and what makes Andersonville so unique in Chicago,” she wrote.

The campaign to save 1441 W. Carmen has caught the eye of professional preservationists, who know the problem is hardly unique to Andersonville.

“Now we’re really in a crisis where we’re seeing fine quality buildings being demolished across the city,” said Ward Miller, executive director of Preservation Chicago.

The massive new constructions change the light, the air, the mood of neighborhoods, steal our visible connection to the past. Stopping the trend may be impos-

sible, but it could be slowed.

Martin Tangora, a longtime Chicago preservationist, suggests extending the demolition holds on orange-rated buildings from 90 days to 180. Strengthen the public notice process to make sure neighbors hear of the notice. Expand the number of buildings covered by the demolition delays.

He calls the imminent loss of the Carmen Avenue house “very unfortunate.”

Not long ago, I saw a photo of a Lincoln Park cottage newly corralled by a metal fence. Out front stood a sign depicting the mansion that would replace it. In red letters, someone had scrawled “Awful! Sad! No More!”

There will be more.

But if more people like Royale make noise, there would be fewer.


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# CHICAGOLAND

## To family, ‘Emmett’s case was never closed’

U.S. probe hailed; Till’s grave in Alsip still draws visitors

By ZAK KOESKE  
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Daily Southtown

In the Alsip cemetery where dozens of historically significant black Americans are laid to rest, the mausoleum of Mamie Till-Mobley is arguably the most prominent.

“Her pain united a nation,” reads the headstone of the mother of Emmett Till, the 14-year-old black youth whose brutal slaying in Mississippi more than 60 years ago was a catalyst for the civil rights movement.

It was reported Thursday that the U.S. Justice Department has reopened the case of the killing of the Chicago teen after a white woman said he whistled at her and groped her in 1955.

Emmett Till’s burial site, also at Burr Oak Cemetery, is a draw for visitors who want to pay their respects at the modest marker flanked by a small brown rectangular sign that reads “Emmett Till Memorial Bridge.”

“He’s a very popular young man,” said Shirley Washington, an 11-year employee of the cemetery, where a glass plaque commemorating the 60th anniversary of Till’s death sits at the front desk.

The number of visitors to Till’s grave fluctuates from day to day, but the cemetery gets inquiries just about every day, she said.

Local school groups visit at least once a year, Washington said, as do members of Till’s family, who mark significant anniversaries of his slaying with ceremonies.

For Till’s Chicago relatives, news of the federal investigation was not a surprise, said Airickca Gordon-Taylor, a spokeswoman for the family and co-director of the Mamie Till-Mobley Foundation.

“Of course we want justice. We were thrilled that there is an investigation,” she said. “I want people to understand Emmett’s case was never closed.”

Gordon-Taylor said she couldn’t share any details about the Justice Department’s investigation. She also said she could not reveal whether any new

information has surfaced that might help lead the investigation to a conclusion.

Gordon-Taylor’s mother, Ollie Gordon, is one of the last living relatives who lived with Till in Chicago.

In 1955, while Till was visiting relatives in rural Mississippi for the summer, he was kidnapped from his family’s home by two men after he was accused of whistling at a white woman as a prank. He was tortured and killed, and his body was tossed into the Tallahatchie River. Two white men — the woman’s husband, Roy Bryant, and his half brother J.W. Milam — were charged with murder but acquitted. They later confessed to the crime in a magazine interview but weren’t retried. Both are dead.

Till became a symbol of the racist violence that persisted in the South when his mother chose to have his mutilated body in an open casket at his funeral. Photos were published and circulated around the world.

“Emmett Till was Trayvon Martin before Trayvon Martin,” Chicago State University professor

Kelly Harris said, comparing Till’s death to the 2012 fatal shooting of the 17-year-old Florida teen.

The Justice Department told Congress in a report in March that it was reopening the investigation into Till’s slaying after receiving “new information.” The case was closed in 2007, two years after his body was exhumed to perform an autopsy. Authorities at the time said the suspects were dead; a state grand jury didn’t file any new charges.

The Justice Department’s report, sent annually to lawmakers under a law that bears Till’s name, does not indicate what the new information might be. But it was issued after the publication last year of “The Blood of Emmett Till.” The book, by Timothy B. Tyson, quotes Till’s accuser, Carolyn Bryant Donham, acknowledging during a 2008 interview that she wasn’t truthful when she testified that Till grabbed her, whistled and made sexual advances at a store in 1955.

Donham, who turns 84 this month, lives in Raleigh, N.C. A man who came to the door at her home Thursday

declined to comment.

Paula Johnson, co-director of an academic group that reviews unsolved civil rights slayings, said she can’t think of anything other than Tyson’s book that could have prompted the Justice Department to reopen the Till investigation. “We’re happy to have that be the case so that ultimately or finally someone can be held responsible for his murder,” said Johnson, who leads the Cold Case Justice Initiative at Syracuse University.

The Justice Department declined to comment on the status of the investigation.

Chicago State history professor Lionel Kimble called Till’s death “the fuse” that ignited an era of modern civil rights activism in Chicago. “It invigorated this sense and this belief and this drive, the push for greater inclusion into the American Dream,” he said.

For Till’s Chicago family, his death mobilized a community of supporters that remains, Gordon-Taylor said.

“Any justice for Emmett and for my family is justice for the community,” she

said. “The murder of Emmett impacted the community profoundly and impacted our country.”

Chicago State’s Harris said Till’s death was something that “we, as a country, should never forget.”

“Not just African-Americans,” he said. “I don’t think America should forget.”

Both Harris and Kimble drew a connection between Till’s death and the activism it spawned to the modern-day movements against police brutality that have grown out of highly publicized police-involved shootings.

“Given what’s going on with the number of unarmed African-Americans being essentially lynched in modern America, I think Emmett Till should be brought back to the national attention,” Kimble said. “We think about these marches against violence and police brutality. These things, they aren’t new.”

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Rebecca Russell, center, of Surrey, England, and others watch the World Cup semifinals between England and Croatia at the Globe Pub. Croatia plays in the final Sunday.

## Drinks will be on hold for start of World Cup final

By TESSA WEINBERG  
Chicago Tribune

Chicago’s Croatian community has rooted its home team on at the Croatian Cultural Center of Chicago as the team has steadily advanced to its first World Cup final.

“We are praying to God for a win,” Nada Vasilj, the center’s executive director, said of Sunday’s match between Croatia and France.

And the center, at 2845 W. Devon Ave., isn’t passing up

taking advantage of the moment. It’s hosting a free watch party with Croatian food and drinks starting at 9 a.m.

But like many bars in the city, it won’t be able to serve any soccer fans a drink until 11 a.m. — despite the game starting at 10 a.m. — because of liquor license restrictions on Sundays.

Vasilj said the center was looking at getting an exemption to sell drinks earlier in the day. But Lilia Chacon, spokeswoman for Chicago’s Department of Business Affairs and Consumer

Protection, said in an email that there is no process to apply for an exemption, and exceptions have not been made in the past.

The lines to have a drink and watch World Cup matches have been out the door, around the corner and down the block at Fado Irish Pub.

The River North pub and restaurant, 100 W. Grand Ave., expects it to be just as packed for Sunday’s final, so it’s opening its doors at 8 a.m., said Tom Dowd, the pub’s general manager.

While the pub can’t serve alcohol until 10 a.m. — as a restaurant, Fado can serve booze an hour earlier than a bar — Dowd said there will be plenty of other purchases patrons can make from the pub’s brunch menu in the two hours drinks won’t be served.

“It’d be better for business if we could,” Dowd said. “We’re just going to grin and bear it. It’s going to be a blast anyway.”

Sports bars across the city plan to open their doors earlier than usual for the historic

match, even if they won’t be serving alcohol until later.

The Globe Pub in North Center plans to open its doors an hour before the game.

The Galway Arms in Park West plans to serve brunch starting at 8:30 a.m. and open up its second floor to accommodate fans.

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## Rauner, Republicans reboot anti-Mike Madigan campaign

By MONIQUE GARCIA  
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Republicans led by Gov. Bruce Rauner revisited a familiar theme Thursday, unveiling their latest effort to ask lawmakers and candidates to pledge opposition to longtime Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan and support for term limits on officeholders.

A spokesman for Madigan dismissed the effort as recycling a strategy long used by the Illinois Republican Party, which has spent years and millions of dollars

of Rauner’s wealth attempting to brand the speaker as the source of the state’s financial and political woes.

The FireMadigan.com website that Republicans launched in 2012 has now been replaced with a new iteration: FireMikeMadigan.com. There, visitors can see a list of lawmakers and candidates who have promised to vote for “anyone” for speaker of the House but Madigan. He has held the position since 1983 save for two years in the mid-1990s.

They’ve also vowed to support legislation that would let voters weigh in on

whether lawmakers and statewide officials should be restricted to eight years in office. Among those taking the pledge is House Republican Leader Jim Durkin of Western Springs, who has held his seat for about 12 years, in addition to eight years as a lawmaker before that.

“If we are going to save this state, we have to change the status quo in Springfield and that is what this pledge is about,” said Durkin, who contended that Democrats seeking office “must either sign this or explain why they will not sign it.”

After the last election, Madigan was re-elected speaker with support of 66 of 67 Democratic members.

A reboot could piggyback on internal turmoil in the state Democratic Party Madigan leads following several incidents in which top aides and allies have been accused of sexual harassment and inappropriate behavior. Some Democrats called on the speaker to step down as head of the state party in the wake of the accusations, which led to the resignation of Madigan’s longtime chief of staff, Tim Mapes.

Madigan has rejected those calls but said he shoulders responsibility for not doing more to prevent a culture of harassment. He’s hired former federal prosecutor and former Rauner-appointed Illinois Executive Inspector General Maggie Hickey to conduct a review of operations of the Illinois House of Representatives.

“Any Democrat who says, ‘I don’t want to sign the pledge, it’s partisan’ or whatever, baloney,” Rauner said during a stop in downstate Marion. “... Even if you are a Democrat, don’t stay

loyal to Mike Madigan, stay loyal to the citizens of your district,” the governor said.

Madigan spokesman Steve Brown countered that Rauner and Republicans “need a diversion from the deaths and the cover-up at the Quincy Veterans Home, so it’s not surprising they would recycle this campaign.” He was referencing the outbreaks of Legionnaires’ disease at the state-run home that has led to the deaths of 13 residents since 2015. “I don’t think it will work,” Brown said.

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# 4th defendant pleads guilty in beating on Facebook Live

Assault on teen with disabilities drew condemnation

BY MEGAN CREPEAU  
Chicago Tribune

The teen with mental disabilities had been kidnapped by a friend and three others.

For three days, his family didn't know his whereabouts but feared the worst.

"We cannot even begin to explain the anxiety and feeling of helplessness that takes over your body when a loved one is missing," the victim's sister wrote in a letter read Thursday in Cook County court. "You can't eat, sleep or even think clearly."

Then the family heard from the teen's friend Jordan Hill, who demanded a ransom of \$300 or the victim would be killed, the sister wrote.

"Is that what a life is worth to these monsters? \$300," her letter said.

The victim's family listened intently as prosecutors read the letter in Judge William Hooks' courtroom on the same day that the fourth and final defendant pleaded guilty to taking part in the beating of the teen in an attack livestreamed on Facebook.

Tesfaye Cooper, 20, who pleaded guilty to a hate crime and aggravated kidnapping, turned to face the victim's family, saying in a barely audible voice, "I do want to apologize for the pain I put y'all through."

His sentencing was postponed until later in July.

Hill, described by prosecutors as the ringleader, pleaded guilty last week to the same two charges and was sentenced to eight years in prison. Sisters Brittany and Tanishia Covington have also pleaded guilty



Tesfaye Cooper



Brittany Covington



Tanishia Covington



Jordan Hill

to the assault.

The gruesome video of the four African-American defendants attacking the white victim drew widespread condemnation, including from then-President Barack Obama. Right-wing pundits used it as a rallying cry, tying it without evidence to the Black Lives Matter movement and blaming permissive policing.

Cook County prosecutors detailed at length what they called the "physical abuse and mental torture" that the teen suffered. Authorities have said the victim, who was 18 at the time of the attack in January 2017 and attended high school with Hill, has schizophrenia and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

Cooper features prominently in the video footage of the attack, introducing himself to the Facebook Live audience as "Hot-head," prosecutors said Thursday.

He and Hill ordered the victim into the corner of a West Side apartment, making him face the wall and say things such as "I love black people," Assistant State's Attorney Risa Lanier said. They taunted the teen with knives and sliced up his sweatshirt, hair and scalp while the teen was tied up and gagged, Lanier said.

At one point, Cooper took the cellphone from Brittany Covington while it was still streaming live to her Facebook, Lanier said.

He then turned the phone's camera onto the bound-and-gagged victim and captured footage of Covington slapping him, according to the prosecutor. Cooper then instructed Covington to hit him again, she said.

Another video, uploaded to Cooper's Facebook page, showed the victim's head being forced into a toilet, Lanier said.

The victim did not attend Thursday's hearing at the Leighton Criminal Court Building, but the sister who authored the victim-impact statement and three or four other relatives attended, sitting in the courtroom's jury box.

The lengthy statement from the victim's sister — read in court by Lanier — described how the family's world had been turned upside down.

"That 18-year-old was our son, our brother, our uncle, but most importantly

a human being," the statement said. "The lack of compassion and complete disregard for (his) life was incomprehensible."

According to the sister, the victim's well-being has improved and he is back in school, but he still asks about the incident.

"We have to watch him struggle to fall asleep at night or wake up in a panic because he thinks the defendants are outside and they plan on taking him and killing him," the sister wrote. "... We ourselves worry if it is safe to continue to live here because of the unknown of what the defendants may do when they get out of jail."

Tanishia Covington, who was sentenced to three years in prison, was placed on parole late last month because of credit for 15 months she spent in county jail. Her sister, Brittany, was sentenced to four years of probation that included a ban on using social media, but she was taken back into custody in April after software on her phone found that Facebook had been accessed from her device.

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## Rauner to present Pence at Rosemont tax forum

BY RICK PEARSON  
Chicago Tribune

Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner is scheduled to introduce Vice President Mike Pence at a forum Friday in Rosemont promoting federal tax cuts, the closest public association the re-election-seeking governor has yet shown to President Donald Trump's White House.

Rauner aides confirmed the governor's appearance with Pence at the "Tax Cuts to Put America First" event at the Westin O'Hare hotel. The event is being sponsored by America First Policies, a nonprofit group with the goal of promoting Trump's policies.

The governor's appearance comes as he seeks to unify a disparate Republican base as the intense fall campaign season nears. Though he narrowly won the March primary nomination, Rauner was faulted by his challenger, state Rep. Jeanne Ives of Wheaton, for not supporting the president. Conservative Party candidate state Sen. Sam McCann has renewed that criticism.

For much of his first term, Rauner has strenuously avoided any mention of Trump, and he did not attend the 2016 Republican convention that nominated the president. Rauner also has declined to comment on many Trump controversies or give his opinion on many national issues with ramifications for Illinois.

But there have been some subtle changes over time.

In November, Rauner said he was "applauding" congressional Republican efforts to overhaul the federal tax code, a subject being promoted at the Friday event. That came after weeks of declining to take a position on the issue, including its eventual limitations on the deduction of state and local property taxes that is expected to affect many Illinois homeowners.

Earlier this week, Rauner tweeted his approval of Trump's nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court, saying the

judge "has impressive credentials and he deserves a fair hearing and swift vote on his nomination." The White House included Rauner's comments in an email touting endorsements for the pick.

But Rauner also has criticized Trump's "zero tolerance" immigration policy leading to the separation of immigrant children from their parents at the border. Rauner has long called for unspecific comprehensive immigration reform but last month said "separating families is not the right answer."

America First Policies' agenda also includes a tougher U.S. stance on trade, including a "focus on bilateral rather than multilateral negotiations." But Rauner and other Republicans, particularly those in major agricultural states, have been critical of Trump creating a trade war over the imposition of tariffs.

The governor's decision to introduce Pence in Rosemont drew criticism from Democratic challenger J.B. Pritzker, who previously has labeled the governor a "silent partner" to Trump.

"Rauner has spent the last few months cozying up to Donald Trump, praising his policies, and getting support from his top Illinois fundraiser's SuperPAC, but now he's taking their partnership to the next level by campaigning with his VP," the Pritzker campaign said in a statement. The campaign was referring to Pritzker attack ads being run by a PAC formerly headed by Ron Gidwitz, Trump's Illinois campaign finance chair and now U.S. ambassador to Belgium.

"While Rauner ranges from Trump's silent partner to his proud, vocal supporter, campaigning with Trump's VP brings their alliance to new heights," Pritzker spokesman Jason Rubin said.

Rauner has an association with Pence, whose chief of staff is Nick Ayers, a former top strategist for Rauner's 2014 governor campaign.

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# Sterling Bay inks deal for Hancock

Developer to pay \$300M for office, parking portions

By **RYAN ORI**  
Chicago Tribune

The building formerly known as the John Hancock Center is also getting a new owner: Sterling Bay.

The Chicago developer has a more than \$300 million deal to buy the office and parking portions of the 100-story skyscraper at 875 N. Michigan Ave., according to people familiar with the deal.

The exact price could not be determined, but it's believed to be almost \$310 million, according to the sources. The deal is for 717 parking spaces on floors four to 12 and about 908,000 square feet of offices on floors 13 to 41.

Not included in the deal are residential condominiums, retail and restaurant space, the 360 Chicago observatory and broadcast antennas atop the tower — all of which have separate owners.

As part of the deal, Sterling Bay will own potentially lucrative naming rights.

The seller is a venture led by Chicago-based developer Hearn Co. Its investment partners are an affiliate of New York-based Fortress Investment Group and San Antonio-based Lynd Co.

Sterling Bay's deal comes at an eventful time for both the developer, which has been buying other high-profile Chicago buildings, and the 1,128-foot-tall tower. The tower, designed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and known for its black, X-shaped braces, was developed by John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. It was completed in 1970.

In February, the Tribune reported that the 48-year-old skyscraper was officially losing the only name it's ever had, when Hearn said Toronto-based insurer Manulife Financial — which acquired John Hancock in 2004 — asked the building owners to remove its name and logos from the property. The insurer hasn't been a tenant at the building in many years.

Although most Chicagoans will likely use the John Hancock name for years to come, the tower formally changed its name to the building's address: 875 North Michigan Avenue. At the time of the name change, the Hearn venture put a planned sale of the office and parking space on hold.

More recently, its brokers from Eastdil Secured resumed marketing it to potential buyers.

Representatives of Sterling Bay and Hearn could not immediately be reached for comment. Sterling Bay's deal was first reported by Crain's Chicago Business.

The Hearn venture bought the property for \$140 million in 2013 and invested about \$69 million in building upgrades and new leases to bring the office space to about 90 percent leased.

Acquiring the former Hancock is a continuation of Sterling Bay's rise in prominence. This year, the firm bought the two-building Prudential Plaza office complex for \$680 million, in the firm's most expensive purchase ever, and Groupone's headquarters at 600 W. Chicago Ave. for \$510 million.

Sterling Bay also owns swaths of land in the city's Fulton Market district, including McDonald's new headquarters and Google's Midwest headquarters, both of which it developed. It is also planning a more than 70-acre development called Lincoln Yards along the North Branch of the Chicago River. That site was one of five visited in Chicago by Amazon officials in March as the company evaluates 20 cities for its planned second headquarters.

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Forest Preserve District police Chief Kelvin Pope arrives Thursday to discuss the resignation of Officer Patrick Connor, who was criticized for inaction.

# Hate crime charges filed against man in Puerto Rico T-shirt case

Viral video leads to 2 felony counts, officer resignation

By **MATTHEW WALBERG**  
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Chicago Tribune

The Chicago man shown in a viral video berating a woman for wearing a Puerto Rican flag T-shirt has been charged with a felony hate crime.

"After a review of the case, we approved felony hate crimes charges," said Robert Foley, spokesman for the Cook County state's attorney's office.

Foley said Timothy Trybus faces two counts of felony hate crime, which are enhancements on the charges of misdemeanor assault and misdemeanor disorderly conduct he was previously charged with.

Trybus, 62, was arrested Thursday by Cook County Forest Preserve District police and is scheduled to appear for a bond hearing at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the

Skokie courthouse.

The incident in question occurred June 14 in Caldwell Woods Forest Preserve on the Far Northwest Side. But it became widely known this week when a video of the encounter was posted on social media, prompting condemnation from many local activists and politicians and from the governor of Puerto Rico.

In the video, a man later identified as Trybus confronts and screams at a woman about her shirt, telling her she should not be wearing it in the United States.

Besides the man's actions and comments, it was the apparent inaction of a forest preserve police officer, seen in the background, that elicited heavy criticism. The footage showed the officer seemingly ignoring the woman's requests for his help as she explains that the man is harassing her and that she has a permit to be in the



Trybus

public space.

The fallout since the video's dissemination has been swift: The officer, Patrick Connor, who had been placed on desk duty June 25 during an internal investigation, resigned Wednesday amid calls for the Forest Preserve District to terminate his employment.

U.S. Rep. Luis Guterierrez said in an interview that it's clear to him the state's attorney did "the right thing."

Guterierrez, a national leader on immigration who has been vociferous in his criticism of President Donald Trump, tied the comments on the video to the general political atmosphere in the country.

"There should be consequences. People have to learn there are consequences, especially in the era of Trump," Guterierrez said. "I really do believe there are people who say to themselves, 'If Trump can do it, I can do it. Why can't I

go out there and say the things the president says?'"

He said this is a moment in time when local authorities must step in on racial and other issues, as he said the more conservative federal Justice Department is less interested in these issues than in past administrations.

"I think this is the way until we retrieve rational governance at the federal level," Guterierrez said.

Cook County Commissioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia had called for a hate crime charge earlier and said prosecutors' actions were "the right thing to do in this situation."

"This should have happened sooner, but sometimes it takes an incident like this to go viral and for the public to chime in to really make us appreciate the consequences of our actions," Garcia said.

Watching the video, Garcia said, "it's reasonable to conclude that the way this individual confronted the woman constituted a hate crime. It was threatening

and menacing and obviously full of racial ethnic hatred."

A representative of Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's office declined to comment about the charges.

Preckwinkle earlier this week apologized to the woman in the video, Mia Irizarry, while speaking at an unrelated event, calling the incident "completely unacceptable."

Preckwinkle also released a statement Tuesday saying she'd had a phone call with Puerto Rican Gov. Ricardo Rossello, who had referenced her directly in a Tweet about the video.

"I expressed my regret over the June 14 incident in the Caldwell Woods Forest Preserves and assured him that what is shown in the video does not represent our values in Cook County," Preckwinkle said in the statement.

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# Viral video raises questions about 'bystander effect'

Phenomenon of inaction can arise at public scenes

By **DARCEL ROCKETT**  
Chicago Tribune

A lot of questions arose after a June 14 video was posted on social media showing a Cook County Forest Preserve District police officer failing to aid a woman being harassed by a white man for wearing a Puerto Rican flag shirt at Caldwell Woods on Chicago's Far Northwest Side.

The man, later identified as Timothy Trybus, 62, demands to know why the woman is wearing the shirt and whether she is an American citizen — even though Puerto Rico is a U.S. territory and its residents are U.S. citizens.

"You should not be wearing that in the United States of America," Trybus tells her.

The woman asks the officer to intervene, but the officer, seen in the background just yards away, appears not to respond.

The video drew millions

of views and, in a time when harassment is frequently caught on video, raises familiar questions about the role of bystanders.

Since the incident, the officer has resigned, an internal investigation is underway at the Forest Preserve District, and Trybus has been charged with assault, disorderly conduct and a hate crime.

"That type of harassment, that type of white nationalism, we're seeing increase," said Black Lives Matter Chicago chapter co-founder Aislinn Pulley. "Unfortunately, it's not surprising."

Pulley said videos such as these are considered "cop watching," in which civilians (in this case the woman in the shirt) witness and record when they see a police officer interacting with another person. Organizations like the People's Response Team offer cop-watch training, Pulley said.

Being a witness also means the opportunity to become a bystander — a person who is present at an

incident but does not take part.

There are a variety of reasons bystanders don't interfere in a confrontation — fear of being sued, fear of having to come forward later if a case goes to court, just plain inconvenience — said Arthur Lurigio, a psychology professor and senior associate dean for faculty at Loyola University Chicago's College of Arts and Sciences.

Some bystanders may also fear becoming the target of violence.

But particularly in large groups, fear of embarrassment or the idea that someone else will help, can stand in the way.

That's called the "bystander effect" — something psychologists and researchers have studied for years — wherein a traumatic or odd event occurring in public triggers an array of social and cultural cues that, combined with human nature, lead witnesses not to act.

"It's pluralistic ignorance about what's going on that keeps people from intervening," Lurigio said.

And adding video and social media to the equation can be good and bad, Lurigio said. Some use the opportunity to amplify their own horrific acts, such as the 2017 incident in which four people used Facebook Live to broadcast their attack on a man with a mental disability. Others use it to publicly call out bad behavior.

"Certainly any bystander watching what is occurring, and seeing that officer on the scene do absolutely nothing, would be under some moral or at least some civic obligation to use their voice and express disappointment. ... Calling out the obnoxious person who was acting in an offensive manner actually works very well often to defuse an incident," said Peter Arenella, a University of California at Los Angeles law professor who specializes in good Samaritan issues.

Getting people to move past bystander status is a social problem without clear-cut answers given the current political and social climate, Arenella said.

"I do strongly believe Trump's legitimization of hatred towards the powerless in our society has not only legitimated inaction but provided some sort of social sanction for the offensive behavior of that individual offender in the Chicago incident," Arenella said.

He also said there has been an increase in hate crimes and xenophobic and racist verbal abuse nationwide. "I don't think it's an accident that we've seen such an increase in the last two years."

To get past inaction when facing such public scenes, Lurigio suggests bystanders put themselves in the victim's shoes.

"Just think of yourself as belonging to a community of others and you're part of it," he said. "Turn on your empathy genes is what I'd recommend. Imagine if that young lady was your sister or cousin. And if you think of it that way, you are more likely to do something."

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Former U.S. Rep. Joe Walsh will appear in Sacha Baron Cohen's new Showtime project, "Who Is America?"

# Ex-Rep. Walsh joins Palin: I was 'duped' by Cohen

By **MORGAN GREENE**  
Chicago Tribune

Joe Walsh has a long history of making controversial statements. But this time he said he was tricked into saying them.

The former Republican U.S. representative turned radio host talked to the Tribune on Thursday about his upcoming appearance in social commentator and political prankster Sacha Baron Cohen's new Showtime project. Walsh detailed his trip to the Washington, D.C., area to participate in an interview about his pro-

Israel views and even receive an award "for significant contributions to the state of Israel." The interview turned out to be material for Cohen's show "Who Is America?"

In a Twitter thread posted earlier this week, Walsh said he, like fellow tea party Sarah Palin, was duped by Cohen. Palin said in a recent blog post that Cohen pretended to be a disabled veteran in an interview. She said the experience was "truly sick."

Walsh said he went along with his own interview experience despite some warning signs.

"I thought, 'This is a little odd, but this is Israel and I'm a big fan of Israel,'" Walsh told the Tribune. "We found out pretty much the next day. We knew it wasn't real."

Red flags were raised in the middle of the interview when he was reading off a teleprompter and a section came up about preschoolers in Israel using guns, said Walsh. Although he's "very pro-gun" and thinks we should teach young people respect for and ultimately how to handle firearms, Walsh said he certainly doesn't want preschool kids using guns.

"With hindsight, clearly they wanted that little 30-second snippet of Joe Walsh saying preschool kids should be trained and armed like they are in Israel."

When asked whether he really felt duped, Walsh said everything's fair play and he actually thinks Cohen is a pretty funny guy.

"I've always been a fan of his work," he said.

Showtime did not return a request for comment.

"Who Is America?" premieres on Showtime at 10 p.m. Sunday.

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# Price-cut promotion swamps toy stores

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Sunday. The vouchers will be good through Aug. 31.

However, while the promotion would have allowed customers to create a bear for as little as \$1, depending on their age, the vouchers are good for \$15 off. The make-your-own teddy bears typically start at \$12.

The incident is a marketing black eye for the St. Louis-based company, which recently reported quarterly financial results that it said didn't meet expectations. "It is critical that Build-A-Bear Workshop's retail locations remain a popular destination for kids and families to make special memories," CEO Sharon Price John said during a late May earnings call about its results.

"Instead of Build-A-Bear being a place of happiness or joy, it became a place of frustration and disappointment," said Timothy Calkins, clinical professor of marketing at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, on Thursday. "It really is a disaster for Build-A-Bear. You desperately want your brand associated with happy parents and happy kids."

Calkins likened the promotion to Red Lobster underestimating the popularity of its endless crab promotion in 2003, an incident that cost the company \$3 million and President Edna Morris her job. While the branding problem may be short-lived, the longer-term challenge for Build-A-Bear may now be trying to justify the higher prices the bears typically command, Calkins said.

At Oakbrook Center in Oak Brook, adults and children remained outside the store hours after Build-A-Bear announced on its website and social media ac-



HAILEY MENSIK/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Hopeful customers wait outside the Build-A-Bear Workshop store at Oakbrook Center in Oak Brook during the company's "Pay Your Age Day" promotion Thursday.

**"It was just people leaving and kids crying. I tried to use it as a teachable moment."**

— Katie Nanak, of Chicago's Logan Square neighborhood, who took her two kids to Oak Brook for the Build-A-Bear promotion but was dissuaded by the size of the crowd

counts that it was closing down lines at stores nationwide.

Nanak, who is nine months pregnant, wasn't among them. She immediately knew she didn't want to wait in the sun that long and told her kids they'd have to come back another day. They tried to get a soft pretzel at a nearby Auntie Anne's but left when that line proved too long as well.

Meanwhile, the Build-A-Bear line had quadrupled in size, she said. "It was just people leaving and kids crying. I tried to use it as a teachable moment."

After they left, Nanak took the kids to Target, where they each picked out a toy as a consolation prize. But her son still burst into tears in the car. Hours later, before going down for a nap, he asked again if they'd be able to go back, she said.

"My kids were disappointed; I felt heartbroken for them," she said. "As a mom, you feel so bad."

Not all shoppers at Oakbrook walked away empty-handed. Juana Hernandez arrived around 10 a.m. with her daughters, 18-year-old Alejandra and 1-year-old Ximena, and left shortly after 4:30 with two bears, one for \$18 and one for \$1.

Customers at the mall who were in line when the company announced the closures were allowed to remain, and those who tried to join the line afterward were given vouchers.

Oak Brook police Cmdr. Ben Kadolph said the mall notified the department on Wednesday that it expected about 500 people for the promotion. Based on an aerial photograph posted online, Kadolph estimated the crowd was closer to 1,000. Still, no Oak Brook officers were called to the mall in response to the

event, he said.

Lindsay Kahn, a spokeswoman for mall owner GGP, said in an email that employees "were focused on making sure things ran smoothly surrounding today's event and did everything they could to accommodate people in line."

At Build-A-Bear's Chicago store in Water Tower Place, crowds started lining up around 9 a.m., according to security personnel, and the line was cut off just before 3 p.m. — when it was still about 50 families deep.

The line was mostly made up of preschool-age kids, but it was a largely happy and patient bunch. Few tears were shed even after hours on the floor of the mall.

Those who arrived after the line was closed got a \$15 voucher for a future bear purchase. Triplets Isabelle, Mckenzie and Samantha Cairns, 8, just missed the cutoff, but mom Diane, who heard about the promotion on Facebook, said she didn't mind the trip and would go back another time to use the voucher.

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# Deputy IG nominee working with NYPD

Lipari also taught at UIC, studied policing in Chicago

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A former local university instructor who researched Chicago policing and its impact on the black community has been nominated to a top post with the city inspector general's office to audit police accountability measures.

Joseph Lipari, an assistant with the New York Police Department's office of inspector general, led investigations into NYPD's problems with its use-of-force reporting, complaint tracking systems and dispatch procedures, according to a release from the IG's office in Chicago.

"Joseph Lipari has a proven track record in police accountability and working closely with communities and oversight agencies," Inspector General Joseph Ferguson said in announcing the nomination. "Our office looks forward to working with Lipari to foster trust and improve interactions between Chicago Police Department officers and the communities they serve."

The deputy inspector general post was created in 2016 by the City Council as part of Mayor Rahm Emanuel's efforts to enact changes to the oversight of the Police Department after the court-ordered release in November 2015 of a police dashboard camera video showing a white police officer shooting black teen Laquan McDonald 16 times.

The deputy IG's role is to audit the city's police accountability system and identify patterns and practices that violate constitutional rights.

A spokeswoman for the IG's office said Lipari

would not be available for interview.

The City Council's Committee on Public Safety will take up Lipari's nomination next week, officials said. The full City Council needs to approve his nomination before he can take office.

Before embarking on a career in the New York inspector general's office, Lipari was an administrator with the Citizen Review Board in Syracuse, N.Y., handling complaint intake, internal and public reporting, and community outreach.

He earlier was executive director of Citizen Alerts, a Chicago-based nonprofit that focused on police accountability and civilian oversight. In that role, he served as chair of community outreach for the Chicago Coalition for Police Accountability, working with community groups, civilian oversight agencies, police and elected officials to reform the city's accountability mechanisms, the release said.

Lipari also worked as an academic researcher and instructor of African-American history at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where he earned a master of arts degree in history. His academic research examined the evolution of policing in Chicago and its impact on the African-American community.

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The back porch area of the building at 1421 E. 67th Place, shown Wednesday, is reduced to rubble following a fire Sunday.

# Judge confronts DCFS on deadly fire in foster home

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... I think it's pretty relevant." Murphy — a former public guardian known for his fierce advocacy for youths in care — had ordered DCFS to prepare a report for the hearing on how the boy had been cared for. But the complaint was not mentioned in the report and was disclosed only when another attorney asked about it.

The current Cook County public guardian, Charles Golbert, accused the agency of withholding information. "It's very disappointing ... since apparently it has to do with inadequate supervision given the special needs of the child."

In a statement issued later in the afternoon, Golbert said he has suspicions about the agency's handling of the complaint. "I look forward to receiving the materials and, frankly, anticipate the worst," he said. "If these materials were innocuous, DCFS would not have tried to bury them."

Not long after Golbert's statement, DCFS released details of the complaint. The agency said it received a hotline call in January from someone alleging that one of Maqkwone's older brothers had touched his 2-year-old sister "on the butt over the clothing while she was sleeping," according to Neil Skene, special assistant to the director of DCFS.

"The hotline caller said it was 'unknown' whether the foster mom was adequately monitoring the behavior," Skene said. "The investigator concluded that the caregiver took immediate action at the time and 'has taken



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Firefighters battle a fire Sunday morning at 1421 E. 67th Place in Grand Crossing. Maqkwone Jones, 3, was killed.

reasonable action to ensure that adequate supervision to children is provided at all times. The allegation was ruled unfounded."

Maqkwone, two brothers ages 8 and 9, and the 2-year-old had been in the foster care of their mother's cousin since September 2017, when their mother was investigated for child abuse and neglect, according to DCFS. Cook County court records indicate Maqkwone's biological mother, 33, was charged with aggravated battery of a child under 12 and aggravated battery last October. That case is pending.

None of the other siblings were in the cousin's home at 1421 E. 67th Place when the fire broke out around 10:30 a.m. Sunday, according to fire officials. The cousin was not home at the time, but a friend was sleeping at the apartment, according to police and DCFS. Not realizing the boy was at home, the woman told authorities she ran outside when the fire started, Skene said.

The friend said she learned the boy was inside when she called the aunt, officials said. She alerted firefighters, who broke down the doors and found Maqkwone, according to Fire Department spokesman Larry Langford. The boy died at Comer Children's Hospital.

Police did not find any evidence of arson but were continuing to investigate, said chief police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi. "Child endangerment is certainly a component of the investigation," he said.

Thursday's hearing was held to discuss the future custody of the surviving siblings. It began with Murphy offering his condolences. "I'm very sorry about what happened."

But the proceedings quickly became contentious as Murphy talked about the boy dying "tragically" after "he was left alone," citing news reports.

DCFS officials objected to Murphy relying on news stories for what happened

to the boy. "Sounds like everyone in this courtroom cares about their butts," the judge said at one point. "Let's get back to the kids seeing each other."

The judge was told the older boys were placed at psychiatric hospitals after the fire, one in suburban Streamwood and the other on the South Side. "Those are very far apart," Murphy said.

When Murphy asked about the health of Maqkwone's mother, a woman speaking on her behalf said she was "moving forward," living by herself in an apartment on the South Side. She has some "anger issues," the woman said, and must learn more effective ways to cope and to be a better mom.

Toward the end of the hearing, Maqkwone's mother stood before the judge holding her youngest child, an infant, over her right shoulder and rocking slightly back and forth. The infant had been placed in a different foster home than the other children.

"That is one beautiful child," Murphy said.

Suddenly the mother's left arm shot up. "I have to go back to the funeral home," she said, explaining she had to make funeral arrangements for her son.

Murphy stressed that he wanted the entire family to attend the funeral. "Grieving is very important," he said. "The whole family should be together. Let's work it out."

Another hearing was scheduled for Friday morning.

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# Records lift veil on practices in assessor's office

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associated with the case.

Among them is an August 2016 deposition by Alfonso Sarro, Berrios' director of residential valuations. Sarro testified that "the function of the assessor's office is to value all property uniformly and fairly for ... real estate tax purposes." But he went on to describe a process that sometimes veered from industry standards.

Sarro testified that "between 20 and 25 percent (of) values are actually changed by hand," with analysts determining that the computer model used to value the properties in the first place got it wrong.

Expert Christopher Berry called that "an incredibly high number." A rule of thumb in the assessment industry is that hand reviews should change only 1 to 2 percent of the property values calculated by the computer and only in cases where there is "a really good and explicit reason," he said.

Other revelations in Sarro's deposition include:

■ Assessor's analysts followed no "fixed set of guidelines" in determining so-called outliers — homes with values that skew the model because they're inconsistent with neighborhood patterns, like a large mansion built amid a block full of bungalows.

"There are usually standards involved," and entire sections of assessment textbooks lay them out, said Berry, a University of Chicago professor who helped design a new model for Berrios' office that was never fully implemented.

■ When doing the hand-check process, analysts sometimes relied on data from internet sites like Zillow or Trulia "for insight into home characteristics" — such as square footage and number of rooms — that can affect values. Berry said that's problematic. "If they are doing that for one set of homes and not others, that's going to introduce nonuniformity into the process," he said.

■ After the hand reviews were done, supervisors in the assessor's office then looked at the resulting values for entire neighborhoods and determined whether they might be too low or too high for a particular type of property, such as townhouses. If that was so, they made a percentage adjustment to all townhouses in that neighborhood. Berry said that showed a lack of faith in the model used to value the properties in the first place.

All those steps leave the impression of a "seat-of-the-pants approach, because they haven't shown us how they conduct this process," Berry said. And making so many changes after running the data through the computer system could introduce a lack of uniformity that makes the system less fair, he said.

"The equation exists for a reason, and that reason is to ensure fairness," said Berry, who added that Berrios should release all the formulas, data, documents and results involved in the assessment process.

Berrios' office did not respond to multiple requests for comment this week. Berrios lost the March Democratic primary to asset manager Fritz Kaegi, who pledged to make assessment models and data public and also address flaws the series identified.

Kaegi faces Republican Joseph Paglia, who has yet to report formation of a campaign committee, in the November general election.

Also included in the recently released lawsuit documents is a deposition of Mark Dwyer, the former director of commercial valuations in the assessor's office, who also explained a process that

could result in some properties being treated differently from others.

Dwyer testified that "capitalization rates" — figures used to determine a commercial property's income potential that in turn sets its value — "are purely a matter of opinion by the analyst" but must fall within a range determined by Thomas Jaco-netty, a top aide to Berrios.

In some cases, analysts turned to Zillow to determine potential rents for commercial properties, Dwyer said. In others, they relied on newspapers or business magazines to discover some commercial sales data, he added.

As part of the series, the Tribune later collaborated with ProPublica Illinois and found that commercial and industrial properties were underassessed, which pushed more of the tax burden onto the backs of homeowners. The series also found that the assessor's estimates were deeply unfair, punishing small businesses and giving breaks to the owners of more expensive properties.

For a long time, the assessor was dismissive of "The Tax Divide" and its findings. After the series documented problems with residential assessments, County Board President Toni Preckwinkle commissioned an independent study. The Civic Consulting Alliance was tasked with looking at

**"The equation exists for a reason, and that reason is to ensure fairness."**

— Christopher Berry, University of Chicago assessments expert, on the Cook County assessor's office's practice of frequently changing property assessments that had been calculated through a computer model

residential assessments and confirmed the series' work.

That study identified hand reviews as one of the reasons the system unfairly shifted the tax burden, saying they introduced "systematic bias" to the process. More than 92 percent of initial assessments were changed as a result of hand reviews and other adjustments, the study found.

When the study came out, Berrios vowed to fix the problem, working with the Consulting Alliance and Tyler Technologies, the firm the county has hired to update its property taxation computer systems. An assessor's news release issued last month stated that a new model is in place that resulted in "a significant reduction in the number of necessary hand checks." But Berrios has not released the model or data fed into it, making the claim difficult to assess.

Jaconetty, the deputy assessor, previously defended the assessment model that was used, saying homeowners would be relieved to know that the assessor is not relying solely on the "purity of mathematics."

"Would they be as concerned about their assessments being based purely on math and driven by equations?" he asked. "Or would they feel better knowing there was a human being involved?"

Berry, however, said the human aspect might not inspire confidence in a system that many people already mistrust.

"Given this office and its long history of corruption and troubles, I don't think people will be reassured that they are going in there and having someone change those numbers," he added.

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# Judge OKs Lithuanian woman's extradition

Suburban florist, ex-parliamentarian is appealing ruling

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A federal judge on Thursday morning authorized the extradition of a local Lithuanian woman who claims her homeland is attempting to persecute her for exposing government corruption there.

U.S. District Judge Virginia Kendall said Neringa Venckiene's claims that the charges against her are politically motivated did not meet the legal criteria for such a claim.

Kendall also said Venckiene failed to show that Lithuanian authorities lacked probable cause to charge her, and that the evidence her attorneys presented did not show a violation of Venckiene's civil rights.

Her attorneys are appealing the ruling and one of them said he is confident Venckiene, who has been in federal custody since surrendering in February, will remain in the Chicago area until the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals considers the case. Venckiene had resided in the far northwest



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Neringa Venckiene says charges in her homeland are politically motivated.

suburbs, where she worked as a florist.

"The judge pretty much signed my mom's death sentence," her son, Karolis Venckus, said through sobs after the hearing. He added that "there's no chance at all" that Venckiene will get a fair trial in Lithuania.

"I guarantee they will find her guilty and give her the strictest punishment," said Venckus, 19.

He also said he believes that Lithuanian authorities will level additional charges against his mother.

At one point in the hearing, Venckiene fainted and Kendall ordered a 10-minute recess, despite Venckiene's protests.

Venckiene fled Lithuania in 2013, reportedly fearing for her life. She helped expose what she claims was high-level corruption stem-

ming from the alleged molestation of her 4-year-old niece in 2008.

Those claims set in motion events that included the suspicious deaths of four people in Lithuania. Over the same time, Venckiene, who had been a judge, rose to lead a political opposition movement in Lithuania and was elected to parliament there.

Lithuanian authorities allege that Venckiene physically fought with police who were attempting to remove the little girl from Venckiene's custody. She also is charged in Lithuania with "humiliating" the court and failing to comply with a court order.

Venckiene and her attorneys contend the charges are little more than misde-maneors or fabricated.

She maintains that if she returns to Lithuania, authorities will punish her and may execute her.

Federal prosecutors say they are obeying the terms of a treaty with Lithuania that calls for the U.S. secretary of state to determine whether an extradition is valid. The State Department has approved Venckiene's extradition.

But Venckiene's attorneys argued that the State

Department's decision has no bearing on a judge's authority and that Lithuanian prosecutors are "resurrecting an expired statute of limitations" for Venckiene exercising what in the United States would constitute a person's First Amendment rights.

They also noted that she "was the subject of at least one assassination attempt."

In an explanation that extended for an hour, Kendall rejected those arguments, citing case law and the wording of the treaty.

In addition, her attorney pointed to bills that U.S. Reps. Randy Hultgren, a Republican from Illinois' 14th District, and Chris Smith, a Republican from New Jersey's 4th District, introduced last month calling for Venckiene's extradition to stop until her effort to gain political asylum in the U.S. is completed.

Kendall decided against waiting for those bills to make their way through Congress.

"The court will not blindly guess as to when or how Congress will act," she said.

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# Trump met by Brit protest, pomp

Hours after roiling NATO, he enters newest ‘hot spot’

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Associated Press

BLENHEIM PALACE, England — President Donald Trump traded one hot spot for another Thursday, leaving behind a contentious NATO gathering in Brussels and moving on to Britain, where he found a government in turmoil and sizable protests shadowing his every move.

All was serene, however, during a lavish evening welcoming ceremony for the U.S. leader at Blenheim Palace.

Hundreds of demonstrators chanted outside the U.S. ambassador’s residence where Trump was staying on the outskirts of London, providing a preview of the protests expected during his two-day British stay.

Trump was whisked away to an oasis of warm greetings at a black-tie reception at Blenheim, birthplace of Winston Churchill, the larger-than-life British leader cited by the president as a model of leadership.

That was just one of several helicopter rides on the agenda for Trump, whose staff opted to keep him out of central London and the swarms of demonstrators who are likely to provide some of the defining images of his first official trip to the U.K.

Trump’s Marine One departure from the ambassador’s residence was met by jeers from demonstrators banging pots and pans, and another pack of



British PM Theresa May holds President Donald Trump’s hand as they walk up to Blenheim Palace for a black tie dinner.

protesters lined roads near the palace. Their signs read: “Dump Trump,” “Lock Him Up” and “There Will Be Hell Toupee.”

Police worked overtime, their days off canceled.

Trump was greeted at the palace by British Prime Minister Theresa May, whose government has been rocked by resignations from ongoing tumult over Brexit, the nation’s contentious vote to leave the European Union.

Before leaving Brussels, Trump played down the protests but acknowledged that he expected tension in Britain, also reeling from its soccer team’s defeat in the World Cup semifinals.

“I’m going to a few hot

spots,” Trump said, looking ahead to Britain and his summit in Finland on Monday with Russian President Vladimir Putin. “And I said, ‘Putin may be the easiest of them all.’ You never know. But I’m going to a pretty hot spot right now — right? — with a lot of resignations.”

The outdoor arrival ceremony at Blenheim — Trump wore a tuxedo and first lady Melania Trump a butter-yellow, chiffon off-the-shoulder gown — was a grand affair marked by a military band in bearskin hats, hundreds of business leaders in black tie and gorgeous setting sunlight.

The mood was far less jovial in Belgium earlier in the day.

During his 28 hours there, Trump had disparaged longtime NATO allies, cast doubt on his commitment to the mutual-defense organization and sent the 29-member pact into frenzied emergency session.

Then, in a head-snapping pivot at the end, he declared the alliance a “fine-tuned machine” that had acceded to his demands to speed up increases in military spending to relieve pressure on the U.S. budget.

But there was little evidence other leaders had bowed to his wishes on that front. Trump claimed member nations had agreed to boost their defense budgets significantly and reaffirmed — after days of griping that

the U.S. was being taken advantage of by its allies — that the U.S. remains faithful to the accord.

“The United States’ commitment to NATO remains very strong,” Trump told reporters at a surprise news conference following an emergency session of NATO members held to address his threats.

Neither Trump nor NATO offered specifics on what Trump said he had achieved.

French President Emmanuel Macron quickly disputed Trump’s claim that NATO allies had agreed to boost defense spending beyond their existing goal of 2 percent of gross domestic product by 2024.

“There is a communique that was published yesterday; it’s very detailed,” Macron said. “It confirms the goal of 2 percent by 2024. That’s all.”

Trump berated NATO members in Brussels for failing to spend enough of their money on military matters, accusing Europe of freeloading off the U.S. and raising doubts about whether he would come to their defense if attacked.

“Yesterday, I let them know that I was extremely unhappy with what was happening,” he said. “They have substantially upped their commitment and now we’re very happy and have a very, very powerful, very, very strong NATO.

“I can you tell you that NATO now is a really a fine-tuned machine. People are paying money that they never paid before. They’re happy to do it. And the United States is being treated much more fairly.”

But several leaders said the gathering produced no new spending commitments.

Instead, they said, members reaffirmed the need to stay on track with military-budget increases that have already been underway.

“I made clear that we know that we have to do more and that we have been doing so for quite a while,” said German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg cited a “new sense of urgency, and all allies agreed to redouble their efforts.”

U.S. leaders for decades have pushed NATO allies to spend more on defense to share the collective defense burden more equitably.

# Islamist terror groups targeting West Africa

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Special to The Washington Post

DAKAR, Senegal — The jihadi epicenter in Africa has long been the Sahel, the region that skirts the southern fringe of the Sahara Desert. Islamist groups like Boko Haram have used the vast and relatively empty area to hide, recruit and organize.

Now the threat is increasingly spilling over into nearby countries. Terror attacks struck Ivory Coast in 2016 and have occurred in Burkina Faso repeatedly since then.

Multiple suspected terrorists have been arrested recently in the West African nations of Guinea, Guinea-Bissau and Senegal.

The latter, historically one of West Africa’s most stable nations, is now holding its largest-ever terrorism trial, with 29 people accused of trying to create an Islamic State-style caliphate in the region.

Al-Qaida affiliates in the area have also issued a new wave of threats against Western interests in West Africa, with one group identifying Senegal and Guinea, which have soldiers in a

United Nations peacekeeping mission in neighboring Mali, as priority targets.

“Since the terror attacks in Burkina Faso and Ivory Coast, it has been clear that no country is completely immune. Anywhere there are embassies, international organizations, multinationals — and especially Westerners — there are targets,” said Vincent Foucher, a research fellow at France’s National Center for Scientific Research who focuses on the Sahel.

The presence of terrorist groups nearby has helped stoke the threat. Some of the suspected terrorists on trial in Senegal were trained in Nigeria by Boko Haram — and some even met and received money from the group’s leader, Abubakar Shekau, according to testimony given to investigators.

Others had ties to extremist groups in Libya and northern Mali, according to court documents obtained by The Washington Post. And a late-2015 intelligence report obtained by The Post said instability made Guinea-Bissau a refuge for “international terrorists” from groups such as al-Qaida and Boko Haram.

As the trial in Senegal has

illustrated, militants are turning from fighting with such groups in places like Libya, Mali and northern Nigeria, bringing ideologies, contacts and sometimes thousands of dollars home to start new cells.

The investigations that led to the trial started in July 2015 thanks to a Facebook post showing Senegalese fighters who allegedly died while fighting alongside Islamist groups in Libya.

Would-be terrorists also enjoy easy movement between West African countries. The 15-member Economic Community of West African States allows citizens of those countries to travel around the region without visas, and border areas are often poorly controlled. Governments, meanwhile, are often unable to track suspicious people as they move.

“Because of its (political) fragility, (Guinea-Bissau) is easy to penetrate. People can stay unnoticed for a long time,” a senior Bissau-Guinean intelligence official told The Post.

People suspected of having links with terrorist groups should be followed when they enter the country, he said, but the country’s



Terrorist groups have stepped up attacks in Africa, including at the French Embassy in Burkina Faso, above, in March.

intelligence services do not have so much as a car available to conduct surveillance operations.

“The state should have a prevention strategy. But the state is weak,” said Aristides Gomes, Guinea-Bissau’s newly appointed head of government, to The Post in an interview.

Even ramped-up military operations in the Sahel may not solve the problem.

American and European troops are on the ground there with a regional force made up of troops from Mauritania, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger and Chad, and

backed by millions in international funding.

But the presence of soldiers could lead to a scattering of the terror threat in the region, according to Pierre Lapaque, who heads the United Nations’ Office on Drugs and Crime in West Africa.

The explosion of militant groups that has plagued Mali since 2012 is still unlikely in the rest of the region.

“Rather than networks controlled by the jihadist groups fighting elsewhere, there is a web of members and ex-members, sympa-

thizers that jihadist groups can call on,” said Foucher, the researcher.

But there are worries that West Africans are underestimating the threat, while politicians are nervous talking about radical Islamists as they woo Muslim voters.

“(Senegal) neglected the fight against violent extremism” to avoid alarming tourists and foreign investors, said Bakary Sambe, the director of the Dakar-based Timbuktu Institute and a coordinator for the Observatory on Religious Radicalism and Conflicts in Africa.

# Boy’s paper route draws call from neighbor, brush with police

By **CLEVE R. WOOTSON JR.**  
The Washington Post

Uriah Sharp begged his mother to buy him some new wrestling action figures, but Brandie Sharp figured it was a good time for the 12-year-old to learn the value of a dollar by earning a few himself.

So she called the local newspaper office and requested a route. She planned to sit in her car and read while her two sons — the older one is 17 —

dropped advertising circulars on neighbors’ doorsteps.

But when the police cruiser pulled up shortly after they started in Upper Arlington, Ohio, last week, she realized her 12-year-old black son was about to get a different kind of lesson.

Uriah, it turns out, had gotten some of the addresses wrong. Upper Arlington has a strong anti-solicitation ordinance, and the Sharps had been warned against putting their deliveries on the steps

of people who didn’t want them. The 12-year-old was trying to fix his mistake.

But a woman at a park across the street saw the child walk up to a house empty-handed, pick up something and leave, said Officer Bryan McKean, a spokesman for the Upper Arlington Police Department.

“I mean, I don’t want to say something was going on, but it just . . . seemed kind of suspicious,” the caller told a dispatcher on the non-emergency line.

**“Sad I cant even teach my son the value of working without someone whispering and looking at us.”**

— Brandie Sharp, in a post on Facebook

None of the Sharps were charged with a crime.

Still, as Sharp noted in a post on Facebook that night: “Sad I cant even teach my son the value of working without someone whispering and looking at us out the side of their eye perhaps

because we DON’T ‘look like a person that belongs in their neighborhood.’ ”

African-Americans engaged in benign activities have long been viewed through criminal-tinted glasses by neighbors, shopkeepers or people just pass-

ing by. Black people have had the authorities sicced on them while going to the gym, waiting for the school bus and couponing. Many of the incidents are held up as examples of insidious, everyday racism or #Living-whileblack.

Sharp said she worries that her son’s next interaction with suspicious neighbors could result in something much worse than hurt feelings.

“It breaks my heart,” Sharp told The Washington Post in an interview.



# In Mozambique, coffee and conservation blend

On mountainside, bid amounts to more than hill of beans

By Christopher Torchia  
Associated Press

MOUNT GORONGOSA, Mozambique — At Mozambique's Mount Gorongosa — where farmers are being encouraged to grow coffee in the shade of hardwood trees, both to improve their own lot and to restore the forest — there is a point beyond which visitors are told not to go.

The problem: Base camps of Mozambique's main opposition force sit on the cloud-shrouded mountain, a redoubt that was the scene of military incursions and civilian flight in the last few years. There were times when managers of the coffee-and-conservation project couldn't go anywhere near the mountain because of the conflict, or had to walk up because the opposition had blocked the road to prevent the military bringing up equipment.

With a lull in tension, they are pushing ahead with plans to plant more coffee and trees on a mountain that captures rainfall and supplies the rivers sustaining people and wildlife

living around its base. It is among the more complex conservation efforts in southern Africa, a bid to persuade farmers to abandon slash-and-burn methods of farming and commit to the longer-term yield of coffee on the same plots, while maintaining government support for a project in an area that harbors an opposition militia. The threat of drought and climate change also loom over a project driven by the idea that human development and ecological restoration must work in concert if there is any hope for both to succeed.

"We've had huge troubles working here," said Quentin Haarhoff, a veteran farmer of coffee around Africa.

Haarhoff acts for a non-profit group founded by American philanthropist Greg Carr that is collaborating with Mozambique's government to rehabilitate Gorongosa National Park, a rich ecosystem whose animals are recovering after war and poaching. To do that, the thinking goes, the poor people around the park's edges must become stakeholders in their natural heritage rather than remain spectators to the occasional tourist influx, as was the case under the Portuguese colonial rulers who

left in 1975. Scientists settled on coffee as an alternative tool in a broader restoration plan for the mountain because the 90 hardwood trees planted for every hectare (2.5 acres) of coffee provide shade that the crop needs to thrive. A sustainable mosaic of cultivation and natural forest is envisioned, and farmers are encouraged to cultivate bananas, pineapples and other crops amid coffee plantations, providing fertilizer for the coffee from falling foliage.

"The bulk of the nutrition of the coffee plant comes from a very, very shallow layer of soil which we never want to disturb," said Haarhoff, a white farmer from Zimbabwe who lost his coffee plantation during violent land seizures nearly two decades ago.

"Now things are easier and calmer. We can cultivate," said Randinho Faduco, a coffee farmer who is benefiting from a truce between the Renamo (the Portuguese acronym for Mozambican National Resistance) opposition and the ruling Frelimo (Mozambique Liberation Front) party. A post-colonial civil war between the two adversaries killed up to one million people and ended in 1992, though disputes flared



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A boy carries branches near the foothills of Mozambique's Mount Gorongosa, where a conservation bid is underway to persuade poor farmers to switch to sustainable farming.

into violence as recently as 2016.

Designed to help hundreds of families on and around Mount Gorongosa, the coffee project is supported by Carr's foundation, the Norwegian government and the Global Environment Facility, a group of 183 countries, international institutions and other entities. The annual budget is expected to expand to between \$1 million and \$2 million.

Mozambique isn't a coffee producer on a par with African industry giants such as Ethiopia and Uganda,

and production goals at Gorongosa are modest. About 100 acres of arabica coffee plants are in the ground; farmers plan to plant another 250 acres this year and a total of about 2,470 acres over the next decade, all in areas that are being farmed or were farmed in the past.

Gorongosa coffee is already on sale at the gift shop at the wildlife park's Chitengo lodge. One possible market is Portugal, where the Gorongosa name enjoys colonial-era mystique.

Portugal's Sonae business

group welcomes environmental sustainability and is looking to introduce Gorongosa coffee as a "premium brand," said group chairman Paulo Azevedo, who was struck by Mount Gorongosa's natural beauty.

There is a sense of urgency about plans to restore rainforest on the mountain, where deforestation continues.

"It poses a serious threat to the system as a whole and to specific species in particular," said Marc Stalmans, science director at Gorongosa National Park. "We can't be unconcerned."

# U.S. to keep 46 migrant kids away from parents

57 others reunited as officials point to safety amid lawsuit

By Colleen Long  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration said Thursday that all eligible small children separated from their families as a result of its zero-tolerance immigration policy have been reunited with their parents.

But nearly half of the children under 5 remain separated from their families because of safety concerns, the deportation of their parents and other issues, the administration said.

The administration was under a court mandate to reunify families separated between early May and June 20, when President Donald Trump signed an executive order that stopped separations. The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit on behalf of a woman who had been separated from her child, and U.S. District Court Judge Dana Sabraw ordered all children reunited with their parents.

Fifty-seven children were reunified with their parents as of Thursday, administration officials said.

"Throughout the reunification process, our goal has been the well-being of the children and returning them to a safe environment," according to a statement from the heads of the three agencies responsible for the process. "Of course, there remains a tremendous amount of hard work and similar obstacles facing our teams in reuniting the remaining families. The Trump administration does not approach this mission lightly."

ACLU lawyers said regardless of the reunifications, the government



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A woman carries a baby as migrants are dropped off last month at a bus station after being released in Texas.

missed the court-ordered deadline and they would be deciding how to address the noncompliance with the court.

"If, in fact, 57 children have been reunited because of the lawsuit, we could not be more happy for those families. But make no mistake about it: The government missed the deadline even for these 57 children," attorney Lee Gelernt said.

The officials said 46 of the children were not eligible to be reunited with their parents; a dozen parents had already been deported and were being contacted by the administration. Nine were in custody of the U.S. Marshals Service for other offenses. One adult's location was unknown, they said.

Of the deported parents, officials said they had chosen to leave their children behind. One deported father, however, told The Los Angeles Times this week that he didn't realize what he was doing when he signed the paperwork to leave his child behind. It wasn't clear if he was one of the dozen; no names have been made public.

In 22 other cases, adults posed safety concerns, they said. Officials said 11 adults had serious criminal histories, including child cruelty, murder or human smuggling. Seven were not determined to be a parent, one

had a false birth certificate, one had allegedly abused the child. Another planned to house the child with an adult charged with sexually abusing a child.

"The seriousness of the crimes is the reason why we are not going to reunite them," said Matthew Albence of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, of the 22 cases.

The 46 children will remain in the care of Health and Human Services, which will continue to seek to place them with a sponsor, such as other family members or even foster care, as it does for the more than 10,000 other minors who arrived in the country without a relative. Children spend an average of 57 days in shelters before they're placed with a sponsor. They are given access to medical care and counseling, as well as school.

The zero-tolerance policy calls for the prosecution of anyone caught crossing the border illegally. Because parents can't take their children to jail, they were separated. The move caused an international uproar. At least 2,300 children were separated from about 2,200 adults until the executive order was signed. Federal officials have been scrambling to reunite the children under a deadline set by the judge. The next deadline is July 26.

# DOJ reopens Till case amid book revelations

By Kristine Phillips  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — New information published in a 2017 book prompted federal investigators to reopen their probe into the 1955 lynching of Emmett Till in rural Mississippi, according to two people familiar with the case.

Till, a 14-year-old boy visiting from Chicago, was killed after he was accused of whistling at and making sexual advances toward a white woman, Carolyn Bryant, during an interaction at Bryant's grocery store in Money, Miss. The teen was kidnapped Aug. 28, 1955, and was tortured and shot.

His mangled body was found days later in the Tallahatchie River.

The book, "The Blood of Emmett Till," by historian Timothy Tyson, includes the first-known interview with Bryant, during which she conceded that Till had not come on to her sexually — a disclosure that contradicted her testimony six decades earlier, when she told a jury that Till grabbed her by the waist and uttered obscenities.

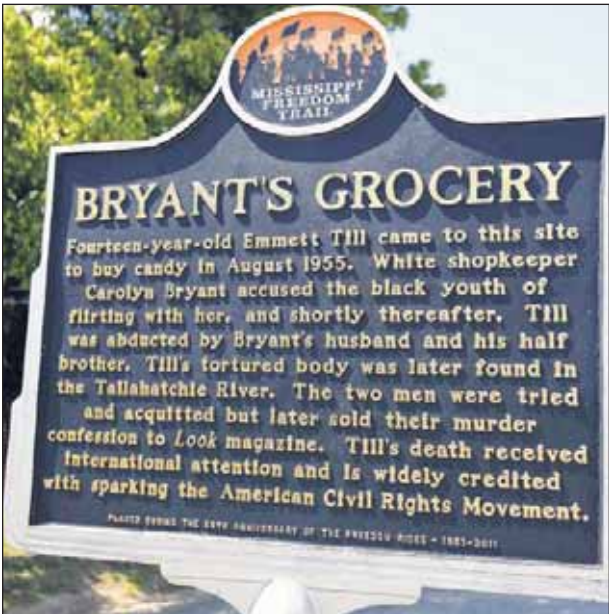
"That part's not true," Bryant told Tyson, according to the book. "Nothing that boy did could ever justify what happened to him."



Till

The release of Tyson's book in January 2017 reignited interest in the federal investigation into the case, which put a spotlight on racial violence and galvanized the civil rights movement. The book also spurred speculation about whether Bryant, now known as Carolyn Donham, could face charges.

The Washington Post was unable to reach Donham, who is now in her 80s and lives in Raleigh, N.C.. The Associated Press re-



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A Mississippi Freedom Trail marker is erected at the spot where Emmett Till and Carolyn Bryant crossed paths.

ported that a man who answered the door at her home told a reporter: "We don't want to talk to you."

Tyson, who said he talked to Donham during two interviews in 2008 and finished writing the book eight years later, said someone from the FBI contacted him a few months after his book was published. He gave the FBI agent "everything he wanted to see," Tyson said, and his research materials were subpoenaed.

He added, however, that he does not believe the investigation would lead to any criminal charges.

"Because the only thing that she disclosed to me is perjury, that she testified falsely in court," said Tyson, a senior research scholar at Duke University. "The statute of limitations on that ran out in 1958."

Tyson received a copy of Donham's unpublished memoir, "More Than a Wolf Whistle: The Memoir

of Carolyn Bryant Donham," which he gave to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill under the restriction that it not be released until 2036 or until Donham's death.

He said he does not know why Donham decided to talk to him.

Donham's former husband, Roy Bryant, and brother-in-law, J.W. Milam, were prosecuted for Till's death. An all-white jury acquitted them after just over an hour of deliberation — but the two later told a journalist that they had killed Till. They died without being convicted.

Federal and state officials have reinvestigated the case in recent decades. The case was closed in 2007.

In March, a year after Tyson's book was published, the Justice Department told Congress in a report that the investigation into Till's death has been reopened "after receiving new information."

The Justice Department declined to comment Thursday.



AP

Yemeni actor Nasser al-Anbari, center, is greeted by family and friends after his release last month from a UAE prison.

# Amnesty Intl.: U.S. ally did war crimes

By Sudarsan Raghavan  
The Washington Post

CAIRO — Amnesty International is urging that abuses endured by scores of Yemenis detained by an American ally over the last two years be investigated as war crimes.

The abuses, carried out in secret detention facilities, are being perpetrated by the United Arab Emirates and Yemeni militias aligned with it, according to a newly released report from Am-

nesty, reinforcing findings of other rights groups.

The UAE leads a regional coalition along with Saudi Arabia seeking to restore Yemen's internationally recognized government and end a three-year-old civil war against northern rebels known as Houthis.

The United States is aiding the coalition with weapons, refueling, intelligence and other assistance. The UAE is also a key American partner in a separate fight against al-Qaida's Yemen affiliate and a nascent Is-

lamic State group.

The UAE has publicly denied allegations that it abuses detainees, including torturing them.

Many of the Yemenis taken into custody have been picked up on terrorism-related charges that are trumped up, activists say. Some Yemenis are feared to have died in custody, Amnesty said in a statement.

"The families of these detainees find themselves in an endless nightmare where their loved ones have been forcibly disappeared

by UAE-backed forces," said Tirana Hassan, Amnesty's crisis response director. "When they demand to know where their loved ones are held, or if they are even still alive, their requests are met with silence or intimidation."

In recent weeks, scores of detainees have been released, Hassan said. Many were held for as many as two years without charges, "highlighting the need for holding perpetrators to account and ensuring remedy for the victims."



# Town backs Trump, ‘no matter what’

Many support trade goal despite Mo. job cuts over steel tariff

By JENNY JARVIE  
Special to Los Angeles Times

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. — Jimmie Coffey, a machine programmer at the nation’s largest nail-making plant, voted for Donald Trump partly because he was confident he would bring manufacturing jobs back to America.

So the 39-year-old factory worker was shocked when 60 of his co-workers were laid off after the Trump administration imposed a 25 percent tariff on the steel his company imports from Mexico. Now, as his bosses cut back hours and warn they may have to let 200 more workers go in the coming weeks, he worries he may lose his job as a result of the president’s policies.

But Coffey is still gung-ho about Trump.

“I support him 100 percent,” he said. “In fact, I’d like to shake his hand. He’s doing a great job.”

Across Poplar Bluff, a struggling town of 17,000 in southeast Missouri, many residents are reluctant to criticize Trump as they grapple with the prospect that their community could be one of casualties of the trade war.

“Most workers are behind Trump, no matter what,” said Diane Brogdon, 54, a machine operator who has worked for the company for 12 years.

Trump won 79 percent of the vote in Butler County and, while many were surprised to discover the tariffs are hurting their town, they still believe Trump is on the right track and support his goal of pouring life back into manufacturing communities — even if they end up losers.

“It’s just one big mess,” said Brogdon, who fears she may struggle to keep the home she bought a few months ago. “He’s looking at the big picture, and I under-



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Nails sit on a machine last month at an idled Mid Continent Nail Corp. plant in Poplar Bluff, Mo. Orders have slowed after steel tariffs started in June.



Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., tours the plant with executives Chris Pratt, center, and George Skarich in Poplar Bluff. The company has eliminated positions and idled a plant.

stand that. But he’s got to stop and look at the small towns around here that are really going to get hurt.”

For Mid Continent Steel and Wire, which does business as Mid Continent Nail Corp., the crisis began June 1 when the Trump administration imposed tariffs on steel and aluminum imports from Canada, Mexico and the European Union as part

of its strategy of boosting American manufacturers.

Founded in 1987 by two local brothers and taken over in 2012 by a Mexican company, Mid Continent imports 70 percent of its steel from Mexico. When the tariffs forced the company to raise prices 19 percent to cover higher costs, orders plummeted. Within two weeks, it had idled one

of its production plants and laid off dozens of contract workers.

“You would think as long as houses are being built and pallets are being made we would be secure,” said Sean Hughey, 51, a machine shop supervisor who has worked for the company for eight years. “All of sudden, it just came to a crashing halt.”

Hughey continues to

back Trump, even as he worries that if the company shuts down, he will not be able to make his \$800 monthly mortgage or come up with \$700 a month for payments on his Dodge pickup, Chrysler sedan and Harley-Davidson Street Fighter.

“I feel like maybe the tariff policy might have been just a tad misguided, you know?” he said. “Maybe they didn’t think it through.”

As a stream of workers stopped at the Munch-N-Pump gas station near the nail plant recently to pick up sodas, cigarettes and sausage-and-cheese biscuits, they said supervisors had told them not to talk to the media.

Yet there is fear that hundreds of workers could be laid off, a potentially staggering blow to a town where a quarter of the population lives in poverty and the median household income is \$31,675.

Others blamed the firm for importing steel from Mexico.

“Mass layoffs? I don’t believe it’s going to happen,” said Randy Wade, 42, a supervisor for a local vending company, rolling his eyes as he filled a cup with

Coca-Cola at the soda fountain.

“If they’re going to do business in Mexico, they kind of deserve it,” he added. “They need to deal with Americans.”

Some companies across the country have celebrated the tariffs — U.S. Steel has announced plans to reopen two blast furnaces in Illinois — but trade experts say that overall, the measures are likely to bring more job losses than gains.

The Tax Foundation, an independent nonprofit tax policy group, estimates 48,500 jobs will be lost as a result of the tariffs imposed on imports of steel, aluminum, washing machines, solar panels and \$50 billion worth of Chinese goods.

If Trump presses ahead with further tariffs, and other nations retaliate, it predicts 342,000 jobs could be lost.

Asked whether she would rethink her support for Trump if she lost her job, Brogdon said probably not. The tariffs ultimately would be good for the nation — even if it left her unemployed.

“Overall, he’s done good,” she said. “I’m not going to be selfish just because of me.”



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Sen. Deb Fischer, R-Neb., greets Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh on Thursday.

## Kavanaugh slid into debt over baseball tickets, loan

White House says nominee now only has a mortgage

By AMY BRITTAIN  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh incurred tens of thousands of dollars of credit card debt buying baseball tickets over the past decade and at times reported liabilities that could have exceeded the value of his cash accounts and investment assets, according to a review of Kavanaugh’s financial disclosures and information provided by the White House.

White House spokesman Raj Shah said Kavanaugh built up the debt by buying Washington Nationals season tickets and tickets for playoff games for himself and a “handful” of friends. Shah said some of the debts were also for home improvements.

In 2016, Kavanaugh reported having \$60,000 to \$200,000 in debt accrued over three credit cards and a loan. Each credit card

held \$15,000 to \$50,000 in debt, and a Thrift Savings Plan loan was \$15,000 to \$50,000.

The credit card debts and loan were either paid off or fell below the reporting requirements in 2017, according to the filings, which do not require details on the source of such payments. Shah said Kavanaugh’s friends reimbursed him for their share of the tickets and that the judge has since stopped purchasing season tickets.

Kavanaugh, who is known to be a Nationals fan, declined to comment.

Shah said the payments for the tickets were made at the end of 2016 and paid off early the next year.

Kavanaugh’s most recent financial disclosure forms reveal reportable assets of \$15,000 to \$65,000, which would put him at the bottom of the financial ranking of justices, most of whom list well over \$1 million in assets. The value of residences is not subject to disclosure, and Shah added that Kavanaugh has a government retirement account worth nearly \$500,000 that also was not

required to be disclosed.

“At this time the Kavanaghs have no debt beyond their home mortgage,” Shah said.

Kavanaugh has worked more than two decades in the public sector.

Prices for Nationals season ticket packages vary. Seats a dozen rows behind the dugout in the lower area of the stadium can go for as much as \$6,000 apiece for an 81-game season package.

His public filing does not include his home, which he purchased with his wife, Ashley, in 2006 for \$1.2 million. Public real estate filings indicate that the couple has refinanced their mortgage twice, most recently in 2015. Their current mortgage is \$865,000.

His past financial disclosure forms reveal that Kavanaugh has carried significant credit card debt — on and off — for more than a decade.

The Kavanaghs, who live in Chevy Chase, Md., send their two daughters to the Catholic private school of Blessed Sacrament, where tuition costs \$10,025 per child.

## North Koreans ditch U.S. meeting

2 sides were to discuss the return of troop remains

By ADAM TAYLOR  
The Washington Post

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korean officials did not turn up to a Thursday meeting with the U.S. military about repatriating the remains of the war dead, according to a U.S. official with knowledge of the situation.

The two sides had been expected to meet at the Korean Peninsula’s demilitarized zone and discuss the return of U.S. troop remains from the 1950-53 war — an arrangement the State Department had announced after Secretary of State Mike Pompeo’s visit to Pyongyang last Friday and Saturday.

On Thursday, however, Department of Defense and United Nations Command officials were left waiting in the DMZ’s Joint Security Area.

The expected North Korean officials never arrived, according to the official, who requested anonymity as he was not permitted to talk publicly about the event.

“We were ready,” the official said. “It just didn’t happen. They didn’t show.”

A State Department spokeswoman declined to comment, but noted that Pompeo said after his talks in Pyongyang last week that the date for the meeting remained flexible. Just before departing Pyongyang, Pompeo said the meeting was set for Thursday but that it “could move by one day or two.”

In a statement released to reporters on Thursday, South Korea’s Foreign Ministry said that North Kore-



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Hundreds of U.S. soldiers’ remains were repatriated from the North since 1990, but the process faces mistrust.

an military officials were now seeking a meeting with their U.S. counterparts on Sunday.

It was not clear why North Korean officials did not attend the meeting Thursday or whether they had confirmed their intention to.

Ahead of the summit in Singapore, North Korean officials had failed to attend a planning meeting with their U.S. counterparts, causing tension between the two negotiating partners.

The repatriation of the remains of U.S. soldiers from North Korea has been a major issue between Washington and Pyongyang since the armistice that ended the Korean War, when thousands of Americans were left in Korea either missing in action or as prisoners of war.

Hundreds of remains have been repatriated since 1990, but the process has been fraught with mistrust. The transfer of remains between North Korea and the United States has not taken place since 2005.

President Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un had pledged to recover more American remains when they met in Singapore on June 12. A statement signed by both leaders promised the “immediate repatriation of those already identified.”

Trump told a crowd of

supporters a week later that the remains of 200 Americans “have been sent back.” Military officials later denied that, but told reporters that they expected the remains to arrive within days and had made arrangements for their arrival, such as storing caskets at the DMZ.

Since the summit in Singapore, there has been increasing scrutiny of the agreement reached by Trump and Kim, with some experts suggesting that North Korea did not really intend to give up its nuclear weapons.

Pompeo had visited Pyongyang last week in a bid to ease any misunderstandings between the two parties and find areas where they could make progress. Though the secretary of state described the talks as “productive” after they concluded, North Korea’s Foreign Ministry later released a statement that criticized the “regrettable” U.S. negotiating style.

Speaking in Singapore on Thursday, South Korean President Moon Jae-in said that North Korea’s statement was a “strategy that can often be seen in negotiations.”

Moon also said that Pompeo’s visit had showed that both Pyongyang and Washington had the same view of denuclearization, according to his spokesman Yoon Young-chan.



# A vacant Va. Macy's gives shelter to homeless shelter

BY **TERRENCE MCCOY**  
The Washington Post

Everyone at first thought it was a joke. It was the summer of 2015, and Carpenter's Shelter was facing a big dilemma. A developer had offered to remake the Alexandria, Va., shelter, housed in an old Department of Motor Vehicles building, into a modern space that would not only have the capacity to shelter more homeless people, but also offer affordable housing. The shelter's board of directors wanted to move forward, but it could not get past the most important issue of all: What would happen to the homeless people already there? Carpenter's needed 18 months for the renovation. In the meantime, where would the homeless go? Where would they live?

"How about Landmark Mall," somebody suddenly suggested at a task-force meeting to discuss the issue, and everyone laughed at the thought of a shelter at a shopping mall.

What began as a joke, however, soon became a plan, and then a construction site and, finally, inside a vacant Macy's, a homeless

shelter, where Carpenter's executive director Shannon Steene has his office in a corner that had until recently been home to women's active apparel.

The idea that spurred this transformation represents a new way of thinking that is bringing together three economic phenomena: the collapse of the brick-and-mortar retail industry, the disappearance of affordable housing in America's boomtowns, and the struggle to reduce homelessness.

"The fact is that there will be millions upon millions of square feet of retail space that are not going to be used over the next five years . . . and they can be used for all kinds of things," including sheltering the homeless or raising the stock of affordable housing, said Amanda Nicholson, a professor of retail practice at Syracuse University. "I think it would be an inspired idea."

Developers and city officials, both in the Washington region and beyond, are starting to agree. "We were having this conversation," said Christy Respress, executive director of Pathways to Housing DC, an organization that houses homeless people, recalling one recent talk with a real estate broker.

"And he asked, 'We have this empty business park space. Could you use it?' " She said the same concerns remain as with any housing proposal — access to public transportation, schools and employment — but she was excited people are "talking about creative things that can be done."

Carpenter's, however, had to move beyond creative talk and into reality, a prospect that at first struck Steene as "completely crazy." So he looked elsewhere.

He searched all over Alexandria for someplace that had enough room to fit 60 beds, had at least 10 rooms and was within walking distance of public transportation. All the motels within the appropriate zoning areas where a homeless shelter could operate were no-gos. Becoming increasingly desperate and worried that the opportunity to redevelop the shelter was slipping away, Steele returned in early 2017 to the idea that had been laughed off.

The Macy's at Landmark Mall had just closed, one of the dozens of outlets the retail behemoth has slated to shutter, and was sold off to the Howard Hughes

Corp., based in Dallas. There, a senior official named Mark Bulmash, who had grown up in Flint, Mich., and knew what it meant to be poor, received an interesting proposition. Could the homeless move in? The company's agenda was to redevelop the entire space, but those plans were years away, and, meanwhile, all of that empty space would be just sitting there.

"It would have been silly not to help," Bulmash said. So he did, even throwing in free rent.

Blair Copeland, a Carpenter's Shelter director of case management, remembered thinking at the time: "I didn't see how we were going to live in a Macy's. There were mannequins."

They had funding for 12 weeks of construction. Twelve weeks to gut the building of all that was Macy's and then in its place build bedrooms, install bathrooms and furnish a recreation room and cafeteria.

Then it was the second week of June, and those 12 weeks were past, and the homeless were moving into the new shelter — and in another part of town, 27-year-old Kanisha Williams was growing tired of crash-



**TERRENCE MCCOY/ THE WASHINGTON POST**  
Montee Higdon consoles his son Zion, 2 months, at an Alexandria, Va., Macy's that's now a homeless shelter.

ing on her friend's couch. Her newborn son, Zion, was crying through every night. Zion's father, Montee Higdon, 29, jailed on a trespassing charge, was about to be released, and the three of them needed more space. So they went to the family services center.

Higdon, who has bipolar disorder, and Williams had been homeless for about a decade. Throughout that time, Williams had worked low-paying jobs at places from McDonald's to Macy's, where she had been paid \$8 an hour to move items into

clearance.

Now they were standing at family services, and staffers were telling Williams there was an opening for her family at the very same Macy's where she had worked in 2014.

"Walking through those doors," Williams said, "those were the doors I used to leave out of when I clocked out. So walking in, at first it was like a Macy's vibe. But as soon as I'd seen it, it went away. It went from a clothing store to a store that's actually helping people get on their feet."

# DOJ appeals judge's OK of AT&T-Time Warner

Challenge comes nearly a month after deal closed

BY **MARCY GORDON**  
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WASHINGTON — Stung by a federal judge's dismissal of its objections to AT&T's megamerger with Time Warner, the Trump Justice Department is challenging the decision with a legal appeal.

The Justice Department said in a one-sentence document Thursday it is appealing the ruling last month by U.S. District Judge Richard Leon, which blessed one of the biggest media deals ever following a landmark antitrust trial.

Leon rejected the government's argument that the phone and pay-TV giant's \$81 billion takeover of the entertainment conglomerate would hurt competition, limit choices and jack up prices for consumers to stream TV and movies.

Leon's ruling allowed Dallas-based AT&T to absorb the owner of CNN, HBO, the Warner Bros. movie studio, "Game of Thrones," coveted sports programming and other "must-see" shows.

The Justice Department's appeal is lodged with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, a step up from the federal district court where the six-week trial unfolded in the spring.

The merger was swiftly consummated, just two days after Leon's June 12 ruling and almost as soon as the Justice Department signaled it wouldn't seek to temporarily block the merger while it pondered an appeal. The deadline for closing the merger was June 21.

Some legal experts believe the government could have a hard time convincing the appeals court to



**RICHARD DREW/AP**

AT&T said it was surprised that the Justice Department would appeal given the circumstances.

overturn Leon's ruling. Opposing the merger forced the federal antitrust regulators to argue against standing legal doctrine that favors mergers among companies that don't compete directly with each other.

It was the first time in decades the government had challenged that doctrine by suing to block a merger.

AT&T said Thursday it's ready to defend Leon's ruling against the government's appeal.

"The court's decision could hardly have been more thorough, fact-based and well-reasoned," the company's general counsel, David McAtee, said in a statement. "While the losing party in litigation always has the right to appeal if it wishes, we are surprised that the (Justice Department) has chosen to do so under these circumstances. We are ready to defend the court's decision."

From the bench, Leon had urged the government not to ask for a halt to the deal, saying it would bring "a manifestly unjust outcome." The deadline could be missed, allowing under the merger agreement for either company to walk away from the deal and forcing AT&T to pay Time Warner a \$500 million "breakup" fee.

Dallas-based AT&T Inc.

is a phone, cable and satellite behemoth that became the biggest pay-TV provider in the U.S. with its acquisition of DirecTV in 2014. It claims about 25 million of the 90 million or so U.S. households that are pay-TV customers.

The merger fuses a company that produces news and entertainment with one that funnels that programming to consumers. AT&T asserted at trial that it needed to grow to survive in the era of Google, Amazon and Netflix.

When the deal was first made public in October 2016, it drew fire from then-candidate Donald Trump, who promised to kill it "because it's too much concentration of power in the hands of too few." Trump has publicly feuded with Time Warner's CNN, calling it "failing" and a purveyor of "fake news." The president's statements didn't come up during the trial, though his antipathy loomed in the background.

AT&T has committed to certain conditions under which it will run Time Warner's Turner Broadcasting, which includes CNN. For instance, it will manage the Turner networks as part of a separate business unit, distinct from AT&T Communications, which includes DirecTV and U-verse.

# FBI agent clashes with GOP at House hearing

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his work. He also said he had never contemplated leaking damaging information he knew about the Trump campaign and called the hearing "just another victory notch in (Vladimir) Putin's belt."

"At no time, in any of those texts, did those personal beliefs ever enter into the realm of any action I took," Strzok told lawmakers.

In breaking his silence, Strzok came face-to-face with Republicans who argued that the texts had tainted two FBI probes he had helped steer: inquiries into Hillary Clinton's email use and possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia.

"Agent Strzok had Hillary Clinton winning the White House before he finished investigating her," said Rep. Trey Gowdy, GOP chairman of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. "Agent Strzok had Donald Trump impeached before he even started investigating him. That is bias."

Republican Rep. Darrell Issa made Strzok read some of his texts aloud, including some with profane language. House Judiciary Committee Chairman Bob Goodlatte asked colleagues to imagine being investigated by someone who "hated you" and "disparaged you in all manner of ways."

Strzok repeatedly insisted the texts, including ones in which he called Trump a "disaster" and said "We'll stop" a Trump candidacy, did not reflect political bias and had not infected his work.

He said the Trump investigation originated not out of personal animus but rather from concern that Russia was meddling in the election, including what he said were allegations of "extraordinary signifi-

cance" of a Russian offer of assistance to a Trump campaign member.

He made clear his exasperation at being the focus of a hearing when Russian election interference had successfully sowed discord in America.

"I have the utmost respect for Congress' oversight role, but I truly believe that today's hearing is just another victory notch in Putin's belt and another milestone in our enemies' campaign to tear America apart," Strzok said.

The hearing brought to the surface a reality of public service: Law enforcement agents and other government workers are permitted to espouse political views but are expected to keep them separate from their work.

"What I am telling you is I and the other men and women of the FBI, every day take our personal beliefs, and set those aside in vigorous pursuit of the truth — wherever it lies, whatever it is."

To which Rep. Ted Poe, R-Texas, responded, "And I don't believe you."

Strzok said under questioning that an August 2016 text in which he vowed "we'll stop" a Trump candidacy followed Trump's denigration of the family of a dead U.S. service member. He said the late-night, off-the-cuff text reflected his belief that Americans would not stomach such "horrible, disgusting behavior" by the presidential candidate.

But, he added in a raised voice and emphatic tone: "It was in no way — unequivocally — any suggestion that me, the FBI, would take any action whatsoever to improperly impact the electoral process for any candidate. So, I take great offense, and I take great disagreement to your assertion of what that was or wasn't."

Plus, he said, both the

Clinton and Russia investigations were handled by large teams that "would not tolerate any improper behavior in me anymore than I would tolerate it in them."

"That is who we are as the FBI," Strzok said in an animated riff that drew Democratic applause.

The hearing exposed partisan divides in the House judiciary and oversight committees, as Democrats accused Republicans of trying to divert attention from Trump's ties to Russia by focusing on Strzok.

Rep. Steve Cohen, D-Tenn., said he would give Strzok a Purple Heart if it were in his power to do so. Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman, D-N.J., said, "I have never seen my colleagues so out of control, so angry."

But Republicans eager to undermine Mueller's investigation berated Strzok, citing the texts as evidence of partisan bias within law enforcement. An inspector general report last month blamed Strzok and FBI lawyer Lisa Page for creating an appearance of impropriety through their texts but found that the outcome of the Clinton investigation wasn't tainted by bias.

At one point, Rep. Louis Gohmert, a Texas Republican, invoked Strzok's personal life by alluding to the fact the texts were exchanged while he and Page were in a relationship. Gohmert speculated about whether he looked "so innocent" when he looked into his wife's eyes and lied about the affair.

The comments sparked immediate objections from Democrats — who called them outrageous — and left Strzok livid. He told Gohmert the fact that he would say that "shows more what you stand for" than anything else.

Page is expected to speak to lawmakers at a private meeting Friday.

# Syrians raise flag over cradle of revolt

Associated Press

BEIRUT — For the first time in more than seven years, the Syrian government raised its flag Thursday over Daraa, the first city to revolt against President Bashar Assad in 2011 and plunge the country into its calamitous civil war.

The display is laden with symbolism as the Syrian government moves to stamp out the last of the uprising against the 52-year-old Assad who has ruled with an iron fist over

Syria for 18 years.

His father Hafez Assad was president for three decades before him.

Officials accompanied by state media crews hoisted the two-star flag over the rubble of the city's main square, allowing it to wave in sight of the shell of the Omari Mosque where protesters first gathered in demonstrations demanding reforms, then Assad's ouster in the spring of 2011.

The mosque has since been destroyed in the government's brutal crack-

down against the city, which ranged from alleged torturing of dissidents to shelling the city with tanks and planes.

With control over Daraa, government forces can focus on clearing the last pockets of the opposition and, separately, the Islamic State group from the frontier at the Golan Heights, which Israel seized from Syria in a 1967 war.

The corner of southwest Syria is an important corridor for trade between Syria and Jordan, and onward to

the oil-rich Gulf states.

But most of the important fighting against the revolt has already been concluded in shattering battles farther to the north for the main cities of Damascus, Aleppo, and Homs, and territories in between.

Some 400,000 people have been killed in seven years of war.

Protests in Daraa in 2011 against the government's mistreatment of teenage detainees ignited a national revolt against decades of authoritarian rule.



**MOHAMAD ABAZEED/GETTY-AFP**

The Syrian government raised its flag Thursday over Daraa, the first city to revolt against President Bashar Assad.



NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

American service member killed in eastern Afghanistan

WASHINGTON — One American service member was killed in combat in eastern Afghanistan on Thursday, the U.S. military said.

The service member's identity was being withheld pending notification of family members, and the U.S. command in Kabul released no details about the incident. In addition to their support for Afghan forces fighting the Taliban, U.S. forces are combating extremist groups in eastern Afghanistan, mainly the Islamic State group's Afghanistan affiliate in the province of Nangarhar.

The U.S. military said one Afghan security force member also was killed and several were wounded.

It was the second U.S. military death in Afghanistan in less than one week. On Saturday, Army Cpl. Joseph Maciel, of South Gate, Calif., was killed.

U.S. accuses N. Korea of illegally smuggling petroleum products

UNITED NATIONS — The United States says North Korea is illegally smuggling refined petroleum products into the country beyond the quota of 500,000 barrels per year allowed under U.N. sanctions.

U.S. documents sent to the U.N. Security Council committee monitoring sanctions against North Korea and obtained by The Associated Press on Thursday cite 89 instances from Jan. 1 to May 30 in which North Korean tankers likely delivered refined products “illicitly procured” via ship-to-ship transfers.

The documents say that even if each tanker delivered only one-third of its listed capacity the total volume would be above the quota. If loaded at around 90 percent, the U.S. said the tankers would have delivered nearly 1.4 million barrels.

White House appoints new director of legislative affairs

WASHINGTON — The White House has announced that economic aide Shahira Knight will become President Donald Trump's new director of legislative affairs. She replaces Marc Short, who is leaving the White House.

Knight was instrumental in formulating and winning passage of the GOP's tax reform law last year. She was the deputy to former National Economic Council director Gary Cohn, who left the White House early this year.

Short worked for Vice President Mike Pence and a group affiliated with the conservative Koch Brothers' political operation before entering the White House.

The staff change marks the latest shakeup. Trump's has seen more than 60 percent of those with the title of assistant to the president departing in the first 18 months.



A young man with a mask holds a sign Thursday in Managua that reads “#Forbid-denToForget” during the 86th day of protests against Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega. Anti-government protests began April 18 over failed social security reforms.

Trump says he'll raise election meddling at Putin meeting

BRUSSELS — President Donald Trump pledged Thursday that he will “of course” raise the issue of Moscow's interference in the 2016 election at his Monday summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin, but he said he has little recourse if — as expected — Putin denies that Russia interfered.

“Look, he may. What am I going to do? He may deny it,” Trump said at a news conference on the second day of a NATO summit. “All I can do is say, ‘Did you?’ And, ‘Don't do it again.’ But he may deny it.”

Trump continued to strike a friendly tone toward the Russian leader, calling him a “competitor” rather than a U.S. enemy — while declining to label him as a security threat to the United States or European nations.

“Somebody was saying, is he an enemy? He's not my enemy. Is he your friend? No, I don't know him very much,” Trump told reporters Thursday. “Hopefully, someday, he'll be a friend. It could happen.”

Throughout his presidency, Trump has avoided admonishing Putin, even though U.S. intelligence officials concluded that Mos-

cow interfered in the 2016 election to sow discord and help Trump win in 2016.

Trump resents that many of his advisers have told him not to meet with Putin, two White House officials said. He continues to tell senior aides that he can have a good relationship with Putin and that Russia's involvement is needed to address Syria, China and other world problems. National security adviser John Bolton, who has taken a leading role on Russia policy, has a more jaundiced view of Putin, according to these officials.

German court: Catalan official can be extradited

BERLIN — A German court Thursday removed a hurdle to the extradition of a prominent Catalan politician on charges of embezzlement, setting the stage for a possible trial in Spain but on lesser charges than prosecutors there had hoped for.

In its decision in the case of Carles Puigdemont, the Schleswig-Holstein state court said the former Catalan leader could be extradited on embezzlement charges, but not rebellion.

The charge of rebellion is not recognized in Germany and the court said related German statutes such as that against treason

did not apply, because his actions “did not rise to this kind of violence.”

The charges are in connection with the Catalan government's unauthorized referendum last year on independence from Spain and a subsequent unilateral declaration of independence.

Jury awards plaintiffs \$4.7B in lawsuit over J&J talcum

ST. LOUIS — A St. Louis jury on Thursday awarded nearly \$4.7 billion in total damages to 22 women and their families after they claimed asbestos in Johnson & Johnson talcum powder contributed to their ovarian cancer in the first case against the company that focused on asbestos in the powder.

The jury announced the \$4.14 billion award in punitive damages shortly after awarding \$550 million in compensatory damages after a six-week trial.

Johnson & Johnson said it would appeal, as it has in previous cases that found for women who sued the company.

“Johnson & Johnson remains confident that its products do not contain asbestos,” spokeswoman Carol Goodrich said.

Mark Lanier, lead counsel for the plaintiffs, said Johnson & Johnson had covered up evidence of asbestos in their products.

**Police say** a suspected carbon monoxide gas leak has killed at least six workers at a steel mill in southern India. Police Officer Surendra Reddy said the leak occurred Thursday at the mill in Padipari, a town in Andhra Pradesh state. The gas was being used for reheating after repair work.

**More than 7,000** people were still in shelters and many more were struggling with basic needs Thursday after severe flooding and landslides last week in Japan caused at least 200 deaths. The heavy rainfall caused damage over a widespread area, with most of the deaths in and around Hiroshima.

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## EDITORIALS

# Darihanne’s drowning: The dangers of dealing with a fickle Lake Michigan

It’s peak summer in greater Chicago and you don’t want to miss it. The metro area’s greatest geographical treasure — 63 miles of Lake Michigan shoreline — beckons for swimming adventures and beach picnics. Yet those foamy waves rolling onto the sand, crashing into rocks and swirling around pier posts can be unpredictable and moody. Be safe. The July 6 death of 13-year-old Darihanne Torres, of Rogers Park near Loyola Beach, was a painful reminder of the lake’s Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde personality: inviting but dangerous. Chicago and lakefront communities around the Great Lakes should frequently revisit how to maximize the safety of this resource for the throngs who enjoy it. That reassessment ought to include a suddenly controversial question: How long should lifeguards be on duty to keep swimmers safe — or, at treacherous times, to keep them on shore?

A group that was on the beach the evening of Darihanne’s death has started an online petition drive. They’re calling on the Chicago Park District to improve water safety, including longer shifts for lifeguards. Darihanne, who was swimming with friends, disappeared in choppy waves around 7:30 p.m., a half-hour after lifeguards went off duty. The Park District shortened lifeguard hours in 2009 to save money — about \$700,000 from the budget back then.

We’re neither assigning blame nor assuming that the presence of lifeguards would have changed this tragic outcome. But with a budget this year of more than \$462 million, the Park District should revisit that 7 p.m. decision. To decrease the chances of drownings, lifeguard shifts should extend at least to 8:30 p.m., when they were before. We’re confident the



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mourners gather at Loyola Beach in Chicago on Saturday to memorialize Darihanne Torres, 13, who drowned after being swept away by Lake Michigan waters a few days earlier.

district can find a way to finance longer shifts within the existing budget. Lives are at stake.

**The Great Lakes Surf Rescue Project** has tracked nearly 40 deaths in the Great Lakes so far this year, including Darihanne’s. Police believe she got pulled into a rip current, one expression of the lake’s fickle personality. These currents, often aggravated by wind, can be deceiving and hard to spot, even for experienced beachgoers. When waves crash onto the beach, the water looks for the lowest route back into the lake, sometimes creating a powerful and concentrated outward-bound current. A rip cur-

rent is different from an undertow, which also can be dangerous, but is shorter-lived and nudges swimmers back to shore, not out to deeper water. On the evening Darihanne died, the National Weather Service had issued a warning about hazardous beach conditions. But even without official warnings, the lake can be dangerous. A few reminders: ■ Watch for signs that the beach is closed or hazardous. Check the Chicago Park District website daily at [chicagoparkdistrict.com](http://chicagoparkdistrict.com) and look for colored flags on the beach — green, yellow or red. Beaches are open until 11 p.m., but swimming is supposed to end at 7 p.m. ■ Watch the water carefully before going

in. A rip current can be noticeable if you see a pathway of debris heading away from the beach, or sandy, stirred-up water. ■ If you get caught in a rip current, don’t try to swim against it. Swim parallel to the beach until you are out of it. Safety experts also recommend floating on your back to conserve energy until you’re able to swim away.

**A rip current survivor**, Jamie Racklyeft of Michigan who now works for the Great Lakes Water Safety Consortium, often tells his story to warn others. In 2012, he decided to take a dip in Lake Michigan near Traverse City, Mich. He soon found himself unable to walk back to shore. The harder he tried, the farther from the beach he strayed. He said it felt like he was doing Michael Jackson’s famous “moonwalk” move. He knew he was in trouble. Waves crashing around him stifled his cries for help. Within a few minutes, he was exhausted and unable to catch his breath. Two people in a kayak rescued him; he doesn’t remember much other than feeling warm sand on his back when they finally got him to shore, he recently told The Detroit News.

Hundreds of others, however, have drowned in the Great Lakes since 2002, the year water safety groups began tracking deaths. His organization is working to bring that number to zero through constant education. Drowning deaths in Lake Michigan do not discriminate. Kids, adults and even skilled swimmers have succumbed to its unpredictability. All of us can make it safer to use Lake Michigan: Read. Learn. Talk. Teach. And yes, Chicago Park District, extend lifeguard hours. Let’s bring that number of drownings to zero.

# ‘Everybody needed to know what happened to Emmett Till’

The brutal murder of Emmett Till, a black Chicago youth, in Mississippi nearly 63 years ago went unpunished but not forgotten. A decision by his mother, Mamie Till-Mobley, to allow an open casket at his Chicago funeral represented an act of defiance as well as mourning, helping to ignite the modern civil rights movement. “Let the people see what I’ve seen,” she told the funeral director. “I think everybody needed to know what had happened to Emmett Till,” she said in a PBS documentary interview. Those words ring loudly amid news Thursday that the U.S. Department of Justice has reopened an investigation of the 1955 killing. Many of the horrific details of Till’s death, including the racist intent and identities of the killers, are known. The name

Emmett Till remains a powerful byword of the African-American struggle for equality. **What’s missing is closure. And justice.** Emmett Till was 14 years old in the summer of 1955, living with his mother in a two-flat at 6427 S. St. Lawrence Ave., when he was put on a train to visit relatives near Money, Miss. The story told by a 21-year-old white woman was that the teen propositioned and whistled at her at a corner store. Days later, he was abducted. His body was found in the Tallahatchie River, weighted down with a cast iron cotton gin pulley. He’d been beaten savagely and shot in the head. The case was a sensation. Photos in Jet magazine of Emmett’s mutilated body shocked America. Two white Mississippi men, Roy Bryant and his half brother J.W.

Milam, were acquitted of the murder — by an all-white, small-town Mississippi jury that deliberated for a little over an hour, including a Coke break. Rosa Parks said she had Emmett Till in mind in December 1955 when she refused to move to the back of a bus in Montgomery, Ala. A month later, Bryant, who was Carolyn Donham’s husband, and Milam admitted their guilt to Look magazine. The pair are dead, as is Emmett Till’s mother, but the woman from the corner store, Carolyn Donham, is alive. About a decade ago, the Justice Department and Mississippi prosecutors reinvestigated the murder; they declined to move forward. A year later, though, Donham talked to writer Timothy B. Tyson and said she hadn’t been truthful in her trial testimony. “Nothing that boy did

could ever justify what happened to him,” she’s quoted as saying in Tyson’s recently published book, “The Blood of Emmett Till.” Donham’s interview could be the reason for a renewed federal investigation, according to The Associated Press. She wasn’t talking as of Thursday afternoon. The Justice Department told Congress in a report in March that it is again looking into the killing because of “new information.” It’s interesting to note that the annual report to Congress on unsolved civil rights crimes is mandated by legislation named in recognition of Emmett Till. His legacy endures. And now there is a new investigation. We hope that means the nation one day soon will know all the facts of what happened to Emmett Till.

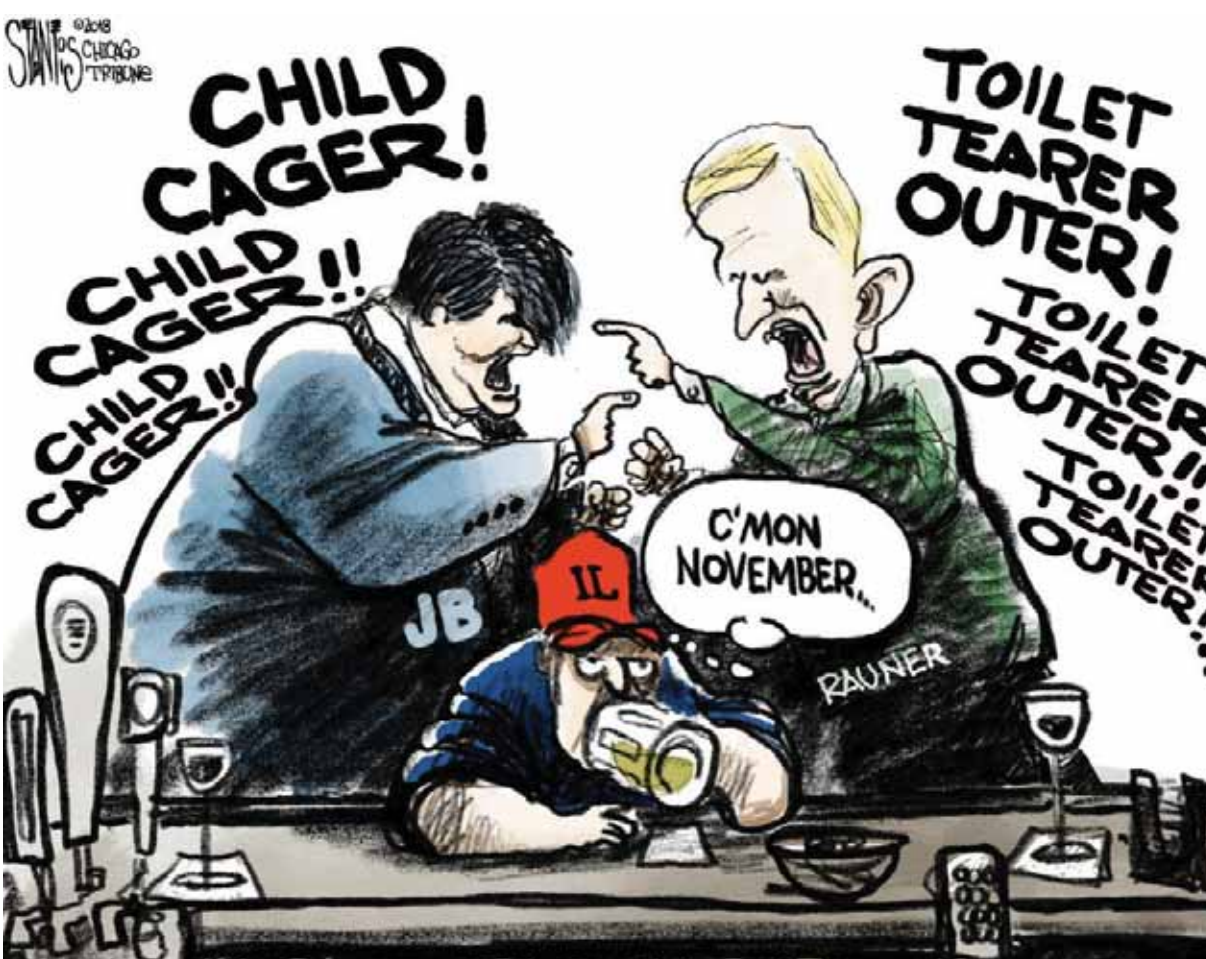
## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The obvious winners from the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in Janus v. AFSCME are the hundreds of thousands of teachers and other public workers who will no longer have union “agency fees” involuntarily taken from their paychecks. In the long run, however, the benefits to blue-state budgets may prove more consequential. Having promised public workers big pensions without saving the money to pay them, many of these states are fiscal time bombs. Nationwide, state pensions have unfunded liabilities totaling nearly \$1.4 trillion, according to Pew Research. Not coincidentally, of the states with the 10 largest deficits by dollar value, eight do not have a right-to-work law. Three states — California, Illinois and New Jersey — account for a third of the pension hole. California and New Jersey each have net liabilities of about \$170 billion, and Illinois’s are \$140 billion. The Illinois crisis is so severe that paying the promised pensions would require a 30-year property-tax increase that would cost the median Chicago homeowner \$2,000 a year, according to a study from three economists at the Chicago Fed. Not a penny of that added tax money would pay for better schools, police, roads, hospitals or libraries. Already, Illinois’s property taxes are among the country’s highest. **Arthur Laffer and Steve Moore, The Wall Street Journal**

Donald Trump has certainly made political discourse more crude and belligerent. But is he making the whole country meaner, coarser and less empathetic? Or was the pump primed for a political figure like him because the internet had already made America meaner, coarser and less empathetic? Did they happen simultaneously? Launching a comeback, Twitter recast itself in a harsher light. The company, The Times’ Farhad Manjoo wrote, “tweaked its central feed to highlight virality, turning Twitter into a bruising barroom brawl featuring the most contentious political and cultural fights of the day.”

**Maureen Dowd, The New York Times**

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## Rauner's 'toilet' attack on Pritzker is a real loo-loo



ERIC ZORN

Welcome to “Potty Talk,” a forum in which I will attempt to answer questions about the recent spate of “Go Flush Yourself, J.B. Pritzker” attack ads from the campaign of Gov. Bruce Rauner.

The incumbent Republican has been airing TV commercials against his Democratic challenger in the November election by calling attention to the significant property tax break Pritzker received on a Gold Coast mansion he'd purchased next door to his own much-larger mansion based on his claim that the second house was uninhabitable.

Part of that claim was that the toilets in the second mansion were not hooked up. Though this story was first reported by the Chicago Sun-Times in May 2017 and came up during the Democratic gubernatorial primary, Rauner has given it new and greater prominence not only by airing the commercials but also by sending campaign personnel to Pritzker campaign events with commodes, by putting up posters reading “Where in the world are J.B. Pritzker's toilets?” and by selling \$25 “Pritzker Plumbing, Inc.” T-shirts at a website dedicated to this story.

**Q. It's a brilliantly simple political attack — an easy-to-tell story designed to provoke indignation and contempt, with the comedy bonus of toilets. But is it true?**

A. It's true that contractors working for Pritzker disconnected the toilets and removed other fixtures from the second, unoccupied house.

It's true that this was one of the reasons the office of Cook County Assessor Joseph Berrios reduced its assessed value in 2016 to about \$1.1 million from \$6.25 million.

And it's true that when applied retroactively, this reduction saved Pritzker approximately \$230,000.

**Q. What's not true?**

A. It's not true that Pritzker destroyed or removed any porcelain thrones — the commercials inaccurately show an actor playing Pritzker taking a sledgehammer to one toilet and tossing a bomb into another.

It's not true that disconnecting the toilets was either necessary or sufficient to obtain an assessment reduction. Berrios' spokesman Tom Shaer said by email that “a home can have working plumbing but still be uninhabitable” and if unconnected toilets “had been the only situation in the (second) home, the assessor's office



BRUCE RAUNER CAMPAIGN

Actors carry toilets from a large home in an attack ad by Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner against Democratic challenger J.B. Pritzker. The incident being lampooned was first reported in May 2017, but Rauner has given it new and greater prominence.

would have taken a much, much less favorable view of vacancy claim.”

And it's not true that such a reduction is evidence of a “rigged” tax system or that Pritzker was “corrupt” when he applied for and received the reduction, as Rauner's campaign has alleged.

**Q. Why does Pritzker say he disconnected the toilets?**

A. He has said that it was part of an overall renovation project that stopped at one point but has since been restarted. And photographs on file at the assessor's office show evidence of significant construction in the vacant home, including ripped-up walls and floors, and missing kitchen appliances.

Shaer described it as “a major gut rehab” and added “the characterization of the renovation of this Pritzker property as being only or primarily ‘disconnecting toilets’ is grossly inaccurate.”

**Q. Is it unusual for property owners to have their assessments lowered on property that's temporarily uninhabitable during repairs, renovations or construction?**

A. No. Such reductions are common, and they're meant to incentivize owners to upgrade or fix structures. Shaer described them as “a mutual investment in the property. The owner puts up all the cash (for rehab or construction), and the county simply foregoes full taxation during the renovation period in order to receive greater revenue, permanently, after improvement of the property is complete.”

**Q. Did Berrios, then chair of the Cook County Democratic Party, do a special favor for Pritzker, then the favorite candidate for governor of Democratic insiders, when he dramatically lowering the assessment?**

A. The cynics with their dancing eyebrows are saying yes. “Pritzker's insider scheme to dodge taxes is shocking,” keened the spokesman for the Illinois GOP.

But Berrios, who lost his primary and is no longer party chair, is saying no.

“The analyst deciding the vacancy/uninhabitable issue for this property had no idea it was a Pritzker-owned property,” said Shaer. “He had never seen the name Pritzker connected to any property he worked on. For this property, the name on the (appeal) paperwork was Thomas Muenster, manager of a Pritzker-owned trust.”

**Q. Since Pritzker angled for a break in his property taxes, is it hypocritical of him to campaign for graduated state income tax rates, as Rauner's commercials allege?**

A. Hypocrisy in public policy is wanting or seeking a benefit for yourself that you would not grant to others. Pritzker's aims — to pay the lowest taxes the law allows while promoting a rate system that would dramatically boost his own income taxes — may seem inconsistent, but they're not hypocritical.

**Q. What has Pritzker said about these allegations?**

A. Not much. When asked about the toilets in primary debates, he brushed off the reduction as the result of a

routine assessment appeal and pivoted to but-what-about questions regarding his opponents and to the necessity of making property taxes more fair and accurate. At one point he bleated, “I certainly have discovered the flaws in the system.”

**Q. What flaws?**

A. Good question, given the consensus that it benefits society when owners rehab homes and is therefore sensible for government to provide tax incentives. But Pritzker's campaign didn't offer an answer when I sent over a list of questions about *l'affaire toilette* earlier this week.

The campaign also didn't explain why Pritzker bought a house next door to the huge house he already owned or why the rehab stopped and started. Fourteen months after this story broke, several weeks into a barrage of related attacks from Rauner, Pritzker still doesn't have a strong rebuttal.

**Q. But won't voters see the ads as juvenile and the accusation as trivial?**

A. Rauner clearly doesn't think so. We're at the point in the campaign cycle when candidates try to define their opponents to voters who are just starting to pay attention. And if Pritzker is counting on busy people to independently seek out the truth behind the slogans and cutesy accusations in these relentless TV commercials, he risks sending his candidacy right down the drain.

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## Could Emanuel lose his re-election bid? It depends.

BY DAVID GREISING

It was a case of police abuse that riveted the nation. Video-taped violence, under the cloak of darkness, at the hands of uniformed cops. Cries for reform and soul searching in the halls of power. Ultimately, the political pressure prompted the big-city mayor to abandon re-election plans.

Was this Baltimore in 2015? No. The death of Freddie Gray while in police custody prompted Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake to forgo a re-election campaign, but there was no videotape. Cleveland in 2017? Not hardly. Mayor Frank Jackson was re-elected, even after the police killing of Tamir Rice, a 12-year-old carrying a pellet gun in a public park.

The case in question occurred in Los Angeles, circa 1992. Riots erupted after a jury with no African-American members acquitted four white cops despite videotaped evidence they brutally beat Rodney King, an African-American motorist. Longtime Mayor Tom Bradley decided to step down.

More than a quarter century after the King riots, violence in the streets remains a defining issue in mayoral elections across the country. Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel is not immune, and he seems to know it. When thousands of people marched down the Dan Ryan Expressway last weekend, the protest signaled that street violence and police reform will be defining issues of Chicago's 2019 mayoral campaign.



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Mayor Rahm Emanuel, center, could face re-election issues because of his decisions surrounding Laquan McDonald's shooting by police.

paign. In fact, two of Emanuel's leading opponents owe their political viability to the crime issue. Former police Chief Garry McCarthy was Chicago's top cop the night Officer Jason Van Dyke gunned down 17-year-old Laquan McDonald, firing 16 shots as the knife-wielding McDonald walked away from him. McCarthy did not resist Emanuel's decision to stall the release of the dashcam video that documented the shooting until after the 2015 mayoral election, but he now is criticizing the decision and Emanuel's policing strategy.

Meanwhile, mayoral challenger Lori Lightfoot was appointed three times to police oversight positions. Emanuel named her to the Police Accountability Task Force, formed after the McDonald shooting, which declared racism

among Chicago police was rendering the force ineffective in the neighborhoods.

Raphael Sonenshein, executive director of the Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs at California State University in Los Angeles, has studied the impact of the King case on Los Angeles politics and sees lessons for Mayor Emanuel and his challengers.

After the King riots, city politics were cleaved between conservatives pushing for law and order and progressives who believed neglect and racism had caused the police and civil breakdowns. The city began to recover only after reforms that led to meaningful change. A commission led by former Secretary of State Warren Christopher delivered a brutally candid assessment of police department failings. A polarizing police chief was removed. A ballot

initiative brought about structural change. Ultimately, a federal consent decree locked in reforms.

“The quality of reform in Los Angeles was pretty remarkable,” Sonenshein said. “It was like watching a country convert from autocracy to democracy.”

Emanuel has gotten only part way there. After firing McCarthy days after releasing the McDonald videotape, he selected a chief from the CPD ranks, Eddie Johnson, who has shown strong community skills. The mayor's deployment of technology to fight crime is beginning to show results, though not nearly fast enough. Still, Emanuel has made mistakes. After initially saying he would agree to a federal consent decree on police reform, he briefly flirted with an out-of-court settlement with Jeff Sessions' Justice Department. A backlash — and a lawsuit by Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan — prompted him to reverse field and begin negotiating a consent decree with Madigan that eventually will seek court approval. It's been a twisted path, to say the least, and created a political vulnerability that Lightfoot already has attacked.

Emanuel's response to last weekend's march showed he may finally be gaining his political footing on the violence issue. He publicly supported the marchers even before the event, then tweet-slapped Gov. Bruce Rauner after Rauner tweeted a call for “a quick and decisive end to this kind of chaos.” There was no chaos, only an orderly expression of free speech, calling for reform.

Protecting Chicago's neighborhoods from violence, of all kinds, will take more than nimble tweeting. A consent decree would help, but will be relevant in the mayoral campaign only if Emanuel and Madigan get it done before voters go to the mayoral primary election in February.

Lightfoot, McCarthy and other mayoral candidates can't just stand on the sidelines and snipe. They will need to show they have better ideas — and withstand the inevitable critiques from Emanuel and his backers. The fight for support from African-American preachers and politicians will be intense.

Days after the Dan Ryan march, Emanuel was in China negotiating to prevent President Donald Trump's tariffs from scuttling the city's \$1.3 billion purchase of Chinese-made CTA trains. He has led a downtown building boom and adroitly recruited McDonald's and other companies to move their headquarters downtown. Unemployment in Chicago is at its lowest point in Emanuel's two terms in office.

In the mayoral race that's taking shape, none of that may add up to much. Street violence and police reform can become all-consuming issues that win — and lose — mayoral elections.

In Los Angeles, Tom Bradley dropped out rather than stay in the fight. That's one path Emanuel certainly will not follow.

David Greising is president and chief executive officer of the Better Government Association.



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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE  
Golden shovels are arranged before President Donald Trump arrives to break ground last month on Foxconn's planned manufacturing site in Mount Pleasant, Wis.

# Illinois lost Foxconn, and now we have to settle in for the long whine by Democratic lawmakers

BY CHARLES SELLE

Nearly a year after Foxconn Technology announced plans for a massive factory in Wisconsin, mere miles north of the Lake County line, our federal representatives have woken from their slumber, finally realizing its presence might adversely affect Illinois.

President Donald Trump was on hand late last month to help break ground for the \$10 billion project expected to eventually employ more than 13,000 workers in Racine County's Mount Pleasant community. He joined U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan of Janesville and Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker in praising the Taiwan-based firm's investment in the Badger State.

While the president was touting the facility, which will manufacture liquid crystal displays, as "the eighth wonder of the world," the best our federal representatives could come up with was a weakly worded letter to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers urging the federal agency to *pretty please, with sugar on it* "play a more active oversight role in ensuring all laws and regulations are followed."

Illinois' two Democratic senators, Minority Whip Dick Durbin and freshman Tammy Duckworth, along with U.S. Rep. Brad Schneider, D-Deerfield, believe the Army Corps should ensure "the project's environmental impacts are properly considered, and appropriate environmental mitigation measures are put in place to protect the health, safety and property of our constituents in Illinois."

With their frail attempt, the federal lawmakers are bringing up the rear in making sure Lake and Cook county communities in the Des Plaines River watershed downstream from the Foxconn site are protected from the potential of increased flooding. The Lake County Board and Gurnee officials, among others, earlier went on record questioning the wisdom of Wisconsin officials giving the electronics giant carte blanche on environmental regulations.

With the scope of the Foxconn project, everybody within a 30-mile radius of the location will be affected some way or another, either by runoff or pollution from thousands of vehicles — some of which will undoubtedly be from Lake County — crowding onto

Interstate 94 heading to the plant for work. That's the way American enterprise works.

Along with doling out billions in tax breaks to land the development, Wisconsin already has given Foxconn the OK to fill in some 26 acres of wetlands. That means water normally sopped up by the wetlands has to go either in retention ponds or downstream. It gives additional meaning to draining the swamp.

Durbin, Duckworth and Schneider still might be dozing when it comes to their flowery, yet feeble, letter. Maybe they're too preoccupied with keeping watch on Trump's daily antics to get involved in mundane matters.

Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan believes the Army Corps has no standing when it comes to environmental rules on the Foxconn property. Perhaps the quartet of Democrats could huddle and clear that up.

Madigan spokeswoman Maura Possley said that, in fact, the Army Corps has been involved and looked at the Foxconn wetlands issue way before our federal lawmakers got involved.

"They (Army Corps) determined they don't have jurisdiction over the

several areas of wetlands on the Foxconn parcel because the wetlands are 'isolated' areas, not connected to any water of the U.S.," she said in an email.

At least the Democrats went on the record. U.S. Rep. Randy Hultgren, a Republican who represents parts of the Upper Des Plaines basin in his 14th Congressional District, has been silent on the subject.

Most Dairy State residents don't believe their Department of Natural Resources has sufficiently studied the impact the Foxconn plant will have on the quality of life of southeastern Wisconsin. Many are unhappy with Gov. Walker doling out \$4.5 billion in incentives to woo Foxconn to Racine County.

With that much at stake, as we are seeing, Foxconn is a done deal for Wisconsin. Elected officials in Illinois and Lake County might whine over the project, but only Wisconsin residents can guarantee their state's history of clean water and air regulations isn't bulldozed for future generations.

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**Richard S. Kling, Chicago**



PERSPECTIVE

# Abolish ICE? Let’s think it through, rationally.

By DAVID INSERRA

Some on the far left aren’t content to simply protest Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE. They want to abolish it. Indeed, getting rid of ICE altogether is quickly becoming a litmus test for politicians on the left.

But what would it actually mean to abolish ICE?

Let’s look at ICE’s three missions: preventing terrorism, investigating illegal movement of people and goods, and immigration enforcement.

Without ICE, the Department of Homeland Security would lose its main law enforcement agency that focuses on counterterrorism. ICE participates in the FBI-led Joint Terrorism Task Forces around the country, providing U.S. law enforcement with important cross-border information used to find and stop terrorist plots against the homeland.

ICE also supports vetting of visa applications through the Visa Security Program, which

deploys security specialists to U.S. consulates abroad to advise and assist State Department visa officers. Its Counter-Proliferation Investigations Program, meanwhile, works to prevent weapons of mass destruction and other weapons from falling into the hands of terrorists and other bad actors. And ICE’s Counterterrorism and Criminal Exploitation Unit pursues those who overstay their visas who may pose a security risk.

Similarly, without ICE, the government’s ability to investigate a variety of criminal activities would be weakened. ICE conducts investigations into cash, art, firearms, explosives and human smuggling. ICE also works to stop the trafficking of persons and the exploitation of children. ICE works to dismantle transnational criminal organizations, enforce trade and sanctions laws, and combat money laundering, cybercrime and corruption.

Even those waving around their “Abolish ICE” banners can see that these functions are

necessary and shouldn’t go away. It is the last of ICE’s missions — immigration enforcement — that draws most protesters’ ire.

Enforcing U.S. immigration laws includes engaging in removal operations to actually return immigrants to their home country. In the course of prosecuting those who have broken U.S. immigration laws, those in the country illegally are often detained or monitored by ICE, just as other lawbreakers who are likely to abscond are often held or given terms for their release.

Since U.S. immigration laws include requirements for businesses to hire workers who are authorized to work in the U.S., ICE also enforces the law at worksites, as well as combats identity theft. Additionally, ICE works with state and local authorities to remove criminals, gang members and fugitives from the law.

In essence, ICE finds, detains, prosecutes and deports immigrants who have broken U.S. immigration laws. Most Ameri-

cans understand that U.S. laws define the pathways through which an individual may legally enter and remain in the U.S. Anyone who does not enter the U.S. through these pathways, or who after entering legally does not abide by the terms of their immigration status, has no right to remain in the U.S.

The U.S. has the right to determine what the standards are for immigrants entering and staying in the U.S. and to change those standards when it wishes. While it is a common talking point on the left that no human is illegal, humans do break laws, and there are consequences for illegal behavior. Abolishing the immigration enforcement functions of ICE is ultimately about allowing any immigrant who enters or remains in the U.S. to stay here, with or without any actual legal status.

U.S. immigration laws should be fully and faithfully enforced, something the Trump administration is trying hard to do. And while some object to specific policies or consequences of ICE

policies, that’s hardly a good reason to junk the whole agency and the very concept of immigration laws.

That’s not to say it can’t be made better. There are, in fact, still many improvements to the enforcement of U.S. immigration laws that need to be made, including improving ICE’s ability to enforce the law and prosecute law breakers while keeping families together.

But calls to abolish ICE represent a cry for unfettered illegal immigration into the U.S., not to mention seriously harming U.S. counterterrorism, law enforcement and public safety efforts.

Quite simply, abolishing ICE is a primal scream for open borders and less security — an idea that cannot be taken seriously.

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# Chicago can’t have a ‘no-kill’ animal shelter without full commitment and resources

By SUSAN RUSSELL

Most people, whether they are animal advocates or not, can agree that a safe and humane community involves caring for people and pets.

Therefore, how a municipal facility, such as Chicago Animal Care and Control, treats the animals it receives is often considered a barometer of a city’s commitment to being safe and humane.

Chicago, if it wants to be an ethical and humane community, must arrive at a consensus as to which homeless pets it considers worth saving, regardless of how the animals arrive at a care-and-control facility — whether stray, surrendered, abused, neglected or abandoned.

If Chicago’s goal is to save its healthy and treatable homeless animals and to euthanize only those that are irremediably suffering or demonstrating uninteruptible, unpredictable aggression (some would argue that this is the definition of a “no-kill Chicago”), we must figure out what that means. We also need to determine what resources Chicago is willing to put behind it. And we must be transparent about the challenges of trying to do so.

This is something Chicago generally remains ambivalent about. Chicago Animal Care and Control has never had a clear dictate from above, so to speak, as the Austin, Texas, city shelter did in 2010 when its City Council passed a “No-Kill Implementation Plan,” with funding, based on key fundamentals of helping



People protest July 3 in front of Chicago Animal Care and Control after Susan Russell was fired from her post.

people and pets. Austin’s plan created a clear expectation to save healthy and treatable shelter animals.

Meanwhile, resolutions and proposed ordinances in Chicago over the last few years have not gone far, possibly because they have been aspirational and unfunded. They have been more a symbolic fist in the air, “Do not kill!” rallying cry than an effective

plan for tackling root problems and providing real solutions, complete with funding.

That’s not to say that Chicago hasn’t been hugely successful without such a dictate from above. It has.

What Chicago has had for many years is a patchwork of dedicated individuals, including those within the city’s shelter and nonprofit organizations, who

have championed the cause of animal welfare. Many focus on helping people and pets before they reach the shelter door. Those “before-the-door” strategies educate people about responsible pet ownership; provide spay/neutering/vaccination/microchipping clinics; and provide animal services in under-resourced communities.

We also have a hardworking,

sparsely resourced city shelter focused on finding homes for the animals within its walls. The city shelter has put in place an array of new procedures and programs over the past couple of years in an effort to respond to the urgency of saving more lives, and partnered with various stakeholders, including Best Friends Animal Society and Animal Farm Foundation.

Animal Care and Control’s live release rate has never been better, and its euthanasia decisions over the past two years have been informed, not arbitrary, focusing on the very sick and those considered a risk to public safety. It has euthanized for space only as a last resort, when pleas to the public and rescue community have been unable to free up enough kennel space for the animals coming in daily.

Chicago has come a long way from the days when the majority of animals that entered the city shelter did not make it out alive. Now roughly 90 percent do. Chicago still, however, has a way to go to sustain that progress.

It’s time for our government representatives, elected officials, nonprofits, animal rescues, veterinarians, animal advocates, volunteers and residents to have earnest discussions about what we want to achieve, and set a clear path forward.

Let’s have those conversations, Chicago.

Susan Russell was executive director of Chicago’s Commission on Animal Care and Control from May 2016 through June 2018.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

### Academic resources

The Tribune Editorial Board advises more micromanagement of public colleges by politicians, creating “niches” (a euphemism for cutting programs), and reducing resources for higher education, in its July 11 editorial. And then it praises my alma mater, the University of Illinois, which has taken exactly the opposite approach. What areas of study has the University of Illinois eliminated to focus on its specialties?

Niches hurt universities by reducing enrollment, because students don’t like having choices taken away. How can colleges adequately educate students about philosophy or physics without having programs? And where will students go if they have to leave their colleges to pursue these interests?

Perhaps the Tribune Editorial

Board ought to listen to the presidents (and faculty and students) of other universities before condemning them to the foul fate of having politicians determine their education. Higher education in Illinois has suffered for years under the dysfunctional rule of Gov. Bruce Rauner. It’s time to give all Illinois public colleges the opportunity and the resources to do what the University of Illinois accomplishes.

— John K. Wilson, Evanston, editor, Illinois Academe

### Legal precedent

This is in response to Eric Zorn’s July 11 column stating that *Roe v. Wade* will not be overturned. Although I agree with him on his conclusion, I disagree on why. Zorn used the results from a number of opinion polls to justify his conclusion. Supreme

Court cases are not meant to be popularity contests, but rather should be decided on their merits and according to their adherence to the Constitution and existing law. If laws were decided by polls or popular opinion, I have little doubt that slavery might still be legal in certain states.

My agreement with Zorn stems from my belief that as the court leans more conservative, it will give more weight to precedent and adhering to existing laws rather than legislating from the bench. Justice Antonin Scalia, on more than one occasion, voted with the majority, even when it went against his personal beliefs. I see that as the mark of a conservative Supreme Court, and I cannot see Roe being overturned anytime soon.

— Louis J. Berardi, Downers Grove

### Dangerous assumption

Illinois state Rep. Barbara Wheeler, R-Crystal Lake, has filed House Bill 5928, a law that would

legalize the sale of fireworks in Illinois. She believes that Illinois residents should be able to “celebrate Independence Day with fireworks without being fined or arrested,” according to the Daily Herald, and “should be trusted to responsibly use consumer fireworks and take care of themselves.”

I think Wheeler is wrong in her assumption that residents will act responsibly with fireworks. In last week’s edition of our neighborhood newspaper, there was a picture of a toddler holding a sparkler.

I also wonder what hospital emergency room staff think of this bill. After all, they are the ones who see the results of people’s misuse.

— Gail Frank, Lakewood

### End fireworks ban

Well, someone finally figured out that the surrounding states are making a buck off of Illinois on the sale of fireworks.

I have been an advocate for lifting the ban on fireworks for a

long time, even to a point of writing to the Tribune and my state representatives. I have been a fireworks fanatic since I was about 10, waiting for that big brown UPS truck to deliver the fireworks that me and my brothers ordered two months before. I still get a thrill from fireworks, even at my advanced age.

Sure, there are plenty of fireworks shows on the Fourth of July — and even during and after different events throughout the year — but there is no bigger joy than lighting off your own fireworks. And yes, fireworks can be dangerous. Yes, people are going to get hurt. But unless every state in the union bans the sale of fireworks, this problem will exist.

So I say lift the ban on fireworks in Illinois. Keep the revenue here that would otherwise be spent in our neighboring states. Fireworks will go on here whether the ban is lifted or not; the only question is what will the politicians think of next to spend the extra revenue on?

— Harold Plucienik, Chicago Heights

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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## Elon Musk's brother bringing urban farm concept to Englewood

By GREG TROTTER  
Chicago Tribune

There's another Musk brother with big plans for Chicago. Kimbal Musk, younger brother of Tesla founder Elon Musk, is planning on bringing his Brooklyn, N.Y.-based Square Roots urban farm to Englewood on about 3 acres of city-owned property behind Whole Foods Market at 62nd and Green streets. Square Roots grows leafy greens in a hydroponic system inside repurposed shipping containers, yielding more than 50 pounds of greens per container each week,

according to the startup's website. Craig Huffman of Ascendence Partners, developer on the project, confirmed Wednesday that Square Roots would be one of the anchor tenants of the second phase of the Englewood Square development, which is expected to break ground next year. The first phase, which included Whole Foods Market, Starbucks and Chipotle, opened to much fanfare in 2016. Square Roots would have offices in the vacant firehouse also in talks with Folkart Man-

agement, the restaurant group led by chef Matthias Merges, to open a barbecue restaurant in the firehouse. Huffman otherwise declined to answer questions, saying it was too early. "We are working around the clock to finalize our funding and then bring this project to life, which can help build new and exciting partnerships for Englewood through this unique entrepreneurial venture," Huffman said in a subsequent emailed statement. "We believe Square Roots will support the momentum established by phase one by



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Square Roots, an urban farming concept inside shipping containers, is coming to Englewood.

bringing more foot traffic and investment to Englewood." Musk couldn't be reached for

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## Mayor works on deal in China

Emanuel hopes to lock in Chicago rail factory amid trade dispute

By YANAN WANG  
Associated Press

BEIJING — Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, on a mission to salvage business deals threatened by a tariff war, said Thursday that Chinese officials expressed confidence they can survive the spiraling dispute with Washington. The mayor met with Vice President Wang Qishan and China's commerce minister this week in an effort to lock in a \$1.3 billion deal for a Chinese company to assemble rail cars in Chicago.

The foreign ministry said Wednesday that China will take "firm and forceful measures" if President Donald Trump goes ahead with a second round of tariff hikes on Chinese goods in a dispute over Beijing's technology policy. "They wanted to communicate, obviously, that this is not their preference," Emanuel told The Associated Press. "They would rather work something out, but they're not scared if this is where it goes."

After meeting with executives from the Chinese railway car manufacturer, Emanuel said he is committed to completing the project. The factory construction will soon be finished and employees from Chicago are due to arrive in China for training, he said.

The U.S.-China conflict has rattled businesses that worry trade and investment might be disrupted.

The Democratic mayor said he hopes to "hermetically seal" off Chicago from the impact of the dispute, in which the two nations' governments have raised tariffs on billions of dollars of each other's goods.

The railway venture is expected to create more than 200 jobs, and cargo from China also contributes to Chicago airport revenues.

"We don't want our relationships to be influenced by the winds of where the trade and tariff battles are," Emanuel said.

Emanuel said he had not initially expected to meet with Wang, an adviser of Chinese President Xi Jinping who is believed to have an outsized influence on foreign policy.

On Friday, Washington imposed 25 percent tariffs on \$34 billion in Chinese products. Beijing responded by imposing similar duties on the same amount of U.S. imports.



MARK SCHIEFELBEIN/AP

Mayor Rahm Emanuel speaks in Beijing about salvaging business with China.



GERRY BROOME/AP

American motorists have seen gasoline prices soar 24.3 percent in the past 12 months.

## Inflation increases at fastest pace in 6 years

Price gains may continue to rise amid trade war

By CHRISTOPHER RUGABER  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumer prices rose in June from a year earlier at the fastest pace in more than six years, lifted by more expensive gas, car insurance and higher rent.

The Labor Department said Thursday that the consumer price index ticked up 0.1 percent in June. But inflation jumped 2.9 percent from a year earlier, the largest annual gain since February 2012. Core prices, which exclude the volatile food and energy categories, rose 0.2 percent in June and 2.3 percent from a year earlier.

Solid economic growth and supply bottlenecks have pushed inflation past the Federal Re-



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Price gains may intensify if President Donald Trump makes good on his threat Tuesday to slap tariffs on \$200 billion of Chinese goods.

serve's 2 percent target, after price gains had languished below that level for six years. That is a key reason that Fed officials expect to raise short-term rates

twice more this year.

Price gains may intensify if President Donald Trump makes good on his threat Tuesday to slap tariffs on \$200 billion of

Chinese goods, including furniture, hats and handbags. If implemented, those duties, combined with tariffs put in place last week, would mean about half of China's imports would be subject to extra duties, likely boosting costs for consumers.

Andrew Hunter, an economist at Capital Economics, said overall inflation may decline in the coming months as the recent gas price spikes level off. Prices at the pump averaged \$2.88 a gallon nationwide Thursday, down 3 cents from mid-June.

"Nonetheless, with the labor market exceptionally tight and activity expanding strongly, we think that core inflation has further to rise," Hunter said in a research note. "The prospect of further tariffs on Chinese imports will only add to that upward pressure."

Household appliance prices rose in June from a year earlier

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## Pokemon Go Fest ready for crowds after disappointing thousands in 2017

By ALLY MAROTTI  
Chicago Tribune

A year after the inaugural Pokemon Go Fest in Chicago disappointed thousands of players and incited a class-action lawsuit, the festival is back for a second go-round. And this time, the organizers have taken steps to avoid a repeat of last year's snafu.

The four major cellular providers have been working with Niantic, developer of the mobile game, to provide additional coverage during the two-day event, which starts Saturday. Last year's festival was plagued with poor network access, and players couldn't connect to the game. Niantic refunded ticket prices and later agreed to shell out \$1.575 million to a class of 18,771 festival-

goers for their troubles.

"We expect 'Pokemon Go' fans to have a great experience," said Yui Namiki, a spokeswoman for Sprint.

The carrier has deployed a portable cell site to the Lincoln Park area to handle extra activity during the festival. Namiki said. Portable cell sites are often used at major events where thousands converge, such as Lollapalooza.

AT&T is deploying two cell sites, which will increase capacity more than fourfold, and spokesman Jim Kimberly. T-Mobile has been working with Niantic for several months and has four temporary sites for additional coverage during the event. Verizon also sent out two sites, and plans to have engineers at the event to help with any hiccups.

"It definitely seems like they're taking the steps to make everything a little bit better," said Adrian Banks, a Glenview resident who has tickets to the event.

Banks was only able to connect to the augmented-reality game for 30 minutes of last year's eight-hour festival. It was pretty frustrating, he said. But since he's local and didn't have to worry about travel costs, he felt the \$28 he spent on a ticket for this weekend's event was worth the gamble.

Banks wasn't the only one who wanted to give the organizers a second chance. The 2018 festival is sold out, according to its website. Representatives from Niantic did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Go Fest is expected to feature Pokemon that can't be caught



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Many festival attendees at the 2017 Pokemon Go Fest had trouble getting the augmented-reality cellphone game to work.

anywhere else, and that's one of the main draws for attendees, Banks said. He has already scoped out portions of the 1.8-mile course in Lincoln Park. Organizers have

set up scenes from the game — or habitats, as they're called — in the park. There's a volcano, a desert

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# Papa John's image woes pile up after founder's slur

BY CRAIG GIAMMONA AND LESLIE PATTON  
Bloomberg News

This was the last thing that Papa John's needed.

With intensifying competition from larger rivals — a tech-savvy Domino's and a resurgent Pizza Hut — sales at Papa John's International were slumping even before chairman and founder John Schnatter came under fire for using a racial slur in a call with an advertising agency. The revelation prompted an apology Wednesday, followed hours later by his resignation as chairman.

Now the company must find ways to reignite growth while rehabilitating its battered reputation.

Investors, for their part, sent a clear signal that they favor a Schnatter-less Papa John's: The shares rose as much as 16 percent, the most in six years, before settling at 11 percent Thursday. Wall Street is betting that the pizza chain can regain its stride and distance itself from the man who built the company and owned about 29 percent of its stock as of February.

It won't be easy. The Louisville, Ky.-based company was named for Schnatter, and he's long been the face of the chain, appearing in television advertisements as he touted the quality of Papa John's ingredients. He will remain on the board even though he's no longer chairman.

Unwinding that relationship in consumers' minds will be difficult, according to Allen Adamson, a branding expert and co-founder of Metaforce.

"The racism issue is such a lightning rod, consumers tend not to forgive companies that step on that third rail," Adamson said. "There's no quick fix once social media takes you to the cleaners."

For now, it's not clear where the company goes



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John Schnatter, who apologized, owns about 29 percent of company stock.

from here.

One option may be to take the chain private, giving the new leadership a chance to fix the problems outside the glare of Wall Street, Michael Halen, an analyst at Bloomberg Intelligence said. It's also possible a fast-food company could make a play, banking on Papa John's domestic and international growth potential. The chain's delivery technology is valuable in an era when consumers increasingly want food sent to their homes.

Analysts including Brian Bittner at Oppenheimer have speculated that Restaurant Brands International, which is backed by 3G Capital and Warren Buffett, could be a potential acquirer. The company operates the Burger King, Tim Hortons and Popeyes brands and has been slower than rivals to embrace delivery.

"They have a massive delivery network," Peter Saleh, an analyst at BTIG, said in reference to Papa John's. He noted that the market for pizza in the U.S. is still fragmented. "There's a lot of market share to gain if it's managed properly."

Schnatter's departure as chairman comes seven months after he stepped down as CEO. That move was prompted by a backlash over his criticism of

the NFL and its handling of the national anthem controversy. On a conference call, Schnatter blamed a slide in sales on a lack of leadership by the league's Commissioner Roger Goodell. It wasn't the first time the founder waded into political issues: He had previously railed against Obamacare.

As a longtime NFL sponsor, Papa John's rode the league's popularity for years — a period during which the chain's stock surged more than 600 percent. The shares closed 2016 at \$85.58, versus a Thursday closing price of \$53.67. The chain has also advertised heavily with Major League Baseball, and customers responded.

Yum Brands Inc., meanwhile, is focused now on boosting the Pizza Hut brand after spinning off its China unit in 2016. The company has vowed to improve its delivery while taking over Papa John's position as an official partner of the NFL.

These efforts have hurt Papa John's, Bloomberg Intelligence's Halen said.

For now, the chain needs time for the controversy to die down. Major moves like changing the name don't make sense in the immediate aftermath of the recent incident, but the company will likely do consumer research over the next few months to see if that makes sense, said Richard Frisch, a crisis communications expert.

Longer term, Papa John's needs to emphasize that it's more than just its founder, he said. As of the end of last year, the company had more than 22,000 employees. These workers, as well as franchise owners, are also taking a hit from Schnatter's repeated missteps.

"All anybody knows about Papa John's is this guy," Frisch said. "They have to emphasize that they're more than that."



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Kimbal Musk, brother of Tesla founder Elon Musk, is co-founder of Square Roots.

# Urban farm concept coming to Englewood

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comment. His automatic email reply said he was "off grid."

Musk's spokeswoman Courtney Walsh didn't respond to emails and calls.

It's not yet known how much the city might offer in tax incentives to help finance the project's second phase. The first \$20 million phase of Englewood Square received about \$10.7 million in city subsidies.

Grant Klinzman, spokesman for Mayor Rahm Emanuel, said he couldn't answer that question at this point. "This is an important project and we are working hard with the community and developer to finalize the vision and make it a reality. We will have more to share later this year, but it's a priority for the mayor and the city and reflects Englewood's strong future," Klinzman said in an email.

Square Roots greens are grown by entrepreneurs in a yearlong program and sold locally, according to its website. The company was founded by Musk and CEO Tobias Peggs, who was formerly CEO of Aviary, the photo editing program.

Community organizers in Englewood said they

were excited by the farm's potential to provide opportunities and fresh greens to Englewood residents, while also attracting people from other parts of the city. Square Roots will fit the "Whole Foods vibe" of the neighborhood, which is also home to the well-established Growing Home urban farm.

"It will serve as a kind of tourist attraction," said Perry Gunn, executive director of Teamwork Englewood, a community nonprofit aimed at improving the quality of life in Englewood. "People will wonder, 'What is this concept? Let me see and touch it.'"

Asiaha Butler, president of the nonprofit Resident Association of Greater Englewood, traveled to Brooklyn in November to see the Square Roots farm. Initially, she had concerns about adding shipping containers to what has become a vibrant retail area. But that changed as she saw the farms firsthand and learned more about how the business fosters entrepreneurship.

"When you open the doors, that's when you're like — whoa," Butler said. "I was like, OK, now I get it. This is going to be a draw for Englewood."

Butler commended

Huffman's "tenacity and willingness to do something different" in trying to get the second phase of the Englewood Square development off the ground. Despite some of the progress in Englewood in recent years, it's still difficult to lure retailers to a neighborhood that's had longtime struggles with poverty and violence, Butler said.

Both Butler and Gunn said they'd been involved in ongoing conversations with Huffman and potential tenants on the project.

The younger Musk, known for his philanthropy and trademark cowboy hat, has previous investments in Chicago. After receiving a \$1 million grant from Emanuel in 2012, Musk's nonprofit Big Green — formerly called The Kitchen Community — has built more than 120 learning gardens in Chicago Public Schools. Musk is also co-owner of The Kitchen, a farm-to-table restaurant in River North.

Last month, Emanuel selected older brother Elon Musk's The Boring Co. to design a new high-speed transit option to O'Hare International Airport from downtown.

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# Pokemon Go Fest returns

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scene and an ice formation, among others.

Attendees likely will be able to catch certain Pokemon in their habitats, Banks said. That real-life feature wasn't available last year.

"Pokemon Go" launched in July 2016 and within a year it had been downloaded more than 750 million times globally. It was the top Google search in the world that year as well.

Though the game doesn't remain in the zeitgeist as it was two years ago,

its has retained loyal players, helped in part by new features or outside services that encourage social interactions.

The game rolled out a new feature called raids in 2017, where multiple players must team up to catch rare Pokemon. That requires them to be in the same place at the same time, and that's one of the things first-time Go Fest attendee Sarah Chiappe, an Edgewater resident, is looking forward to.

"I'm just super excited to be in the same place with all these other people that

are playing the same game I am," she said.

A chat app called Discord helped keep Banks interested in the game, he said. It has encouraged him to get out and meet other players too.

"Pokemon Go did something... video games and all kinds of people have been trying to do for years, and that's get people outside," he said. "This game has not only done that, but has gone far beyond it."

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# FCC approves new way it will handle consumer complaints

BY BRIAN FUNG  
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WASHINGTON — The nation's top telecom and cable regulator voted Thursday to change the rules that govern its handling of consumer complaints, amid a last-minute firestorm of political opposition.

Among the changes is a deletion of language referring to the Federal Communications Commission's active involvement in so-called informal consumer complaints — the submissions commonly used by consumers to report billing or privacy problems with their telephone company, or indecencies on radio or television.

The revisions come amid a wider revamp of the FCC's formal complaint process, a separate \$225 court-like proceeding that is used to address alleged violations of FCC regulations.

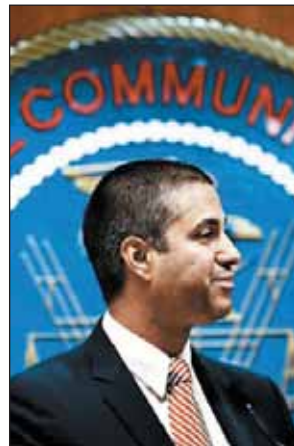
The changes were made to "streamline" the FCC's rulebook, said agency

chairman Ajit Pai. But critics said the decision would undercut the FCC's role in protecting consumers, who submit as many as 25,000 informal complaints a month. The FCC often reviews those submissions and contacts companies on consumers' behalf.

The new FCC rules approved Thursday did preserve language that indicates the agency may forward consumer complaints directly to the companies in question.

The changes amount to "cut(ing) the FCC out of the process" by turning the agency into "merely a conduit for the exchange of letters between consumers and their carriers," said Democratic FCC Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel.

Earlier this week, House Democratic lawmakers sent a letter to Pai warning that the changes would simply mean that consumers' complaints would no longer be resolved to their satisfaction. Their only other recourse, the law-



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makers said, would be to pay the \$225 fee to file a formal complaint.

FCC officials insisted Wednesday that despite the textual changes to its rules, the agency's real-world approach to informal complaints would not change.

"It would simply align the text of a rule with longstanding FCC practices that have been in place for years under prior Chairmen and Commissions," said FCC spokesman Brian Hart.

Thursday's vote came after hours of negotiations between Rosenworcel and Pai.



# 20 products that could be hit with tariffs

BY MARY ELLEN PODMOLIK  
Chicago Tribune

Kids who take up baseball or softball as well as anyone remodeling their kitchen, dealing with a flat bicycle tire or getting a dog could be caught in the crosshairs of the Trump administration's latest salvo in the global trade war.

On Tuesday, the White House announced plans to impose a 10 percent tariff on \$200 billion of Chinese goods after a public comment period. That means the tariffs could take effect sometime after Aug. 30, a month before U.S. retailers, many of them struggling, start the all-important fourth quarter leading up to the holiday shopping season.

This latest announcement of tariffs — essentially taxes charged on goods coming into the country — follows steep tariffs already announced on imported goods like washing machines and solar



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Refrigerators, freezers and luggage could be hit with tariffs.

panels in January, and tariffs on \$34 billion of Chinese exports earlier this month. China retaliated with its own list of tariffs on \$34 billion of U.S. goods.

But unlike the earlier actions by the U.S. and China — which hit manufacturers and most notably in Illinois, soybean farmers, particularly hard — the latest effort takes direct aim at plenty of food products and finished consumer goods. Unless manufacturers or retailers are willing to swallow the extra costs themselves, they'll be



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passed along to shoppers in the form of higher prices. A case in point: Shortly after the U.S. imposed tariffs on imported washing machines, South Korea's LG Electronics said it would raise prices on most front- and top-loading washing machines sold in the U.S. by 4 to 8 percent.

Gene Amromin, director of financial research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, said if the tariffs move from negotiating tactic to reality, it's a matter of time before they affect the con-

sumer's wallet.

"I would imagine that business would not be passing on the cost to consumers, at least not right away, but at some sense it's inevitable," he said. "At some point you have to pass it along to consumers."

Amromin said he's more concerned that the trade barriers could disrupt the supply chains for various products, as companies consider switching production to different countries or potentially pare back their investment plans.

The new list of more 6,031 items that could be subject to a tariff fills 194 pages. Here are 20 common consumer products on the list:

- Seafood, including some types of tilapia, cod, haddock, trout, salmon and swordfish.
- Dog leashes, muzzles and collars.
- Handbags.

- Luggage.
- Inner tubes for cars and bicycles.
- Pneumatic tires for buses, trucks, cars, motorcycles and bicycles.
- Bicycle speedometers.
- Vinyl floor tile.
- Plastic ponchos costing less than \$10.
- Perfume.
- Golf bags of leather or composite leather.
- Baseball and softball mitts and batting gloves.
- Artificial fire logs.
- Furniture.
- Carpets.
- Stainless steel sinks.
- Window and wall air-conditioning units.
- Refrigerators and freezers.
- Buttons.
- Toilet paper.

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# Health care startups jumping in

## Insurers attracted to ACA market by higher premiums

BY ZACHARY TRACER  
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Republicans remain eager to gut the Affordable Care Act, but some health plans say there's no time like the present to be in the Obamacare business.

Rising premiums in the marketplaces created by the health law are enticing insurers, who are looking past the political turbulence and a curveball this weekend from the Trump administration.

More than a dozen insurers plan to enter new Obamacare markets for 2019, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Among them is the venture capital-backed startup Bright Health. On Wednesday, the company, which already offers ACA plans in two markets, will roll out offerings in five more cities for next year, according to Chief Executive Officer Bob Sheehy.

"Early on, there was the wrong model and the wrong pricing level," said Sheehy, a former UnitedHealth Group executive. "Now the market's stabilized, so we think it's a terrific opportunity."

Oscar Insurance, another startup, will enter six new markets.

More established insurers including Centene Corp. and Medica have also announced expansion plans.

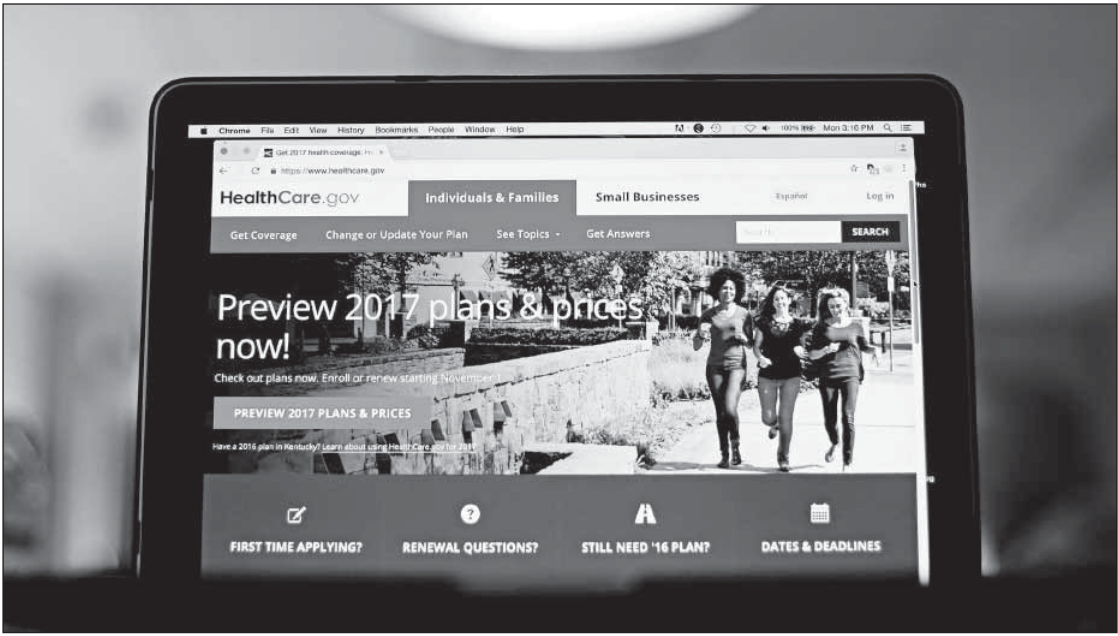
"For the insurers that did stick around in the individual market, 2018 is shaping up to be a very profitable year," said Cynthia Cox, director for the Program for the Study of Health Reform and Private Insurance at the Kaiser Family Foundation. "They've managed to raise premiums enough to cover their costs, and then some."

It's a reversal from last year, when insurers exited some states as losses mounted and President Donald Trump vowed to dismantle the program.

The companies that remained raised rates significantly, with premiums climbing by an average of 27 percent from 2017 to 2018.

Over the weekend, the Trump administration said it will suspend an ACA program that moves funds to insurers with sicker customers.

Health insurance lobbying groups said halting the so-called



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

The White House has taken steps meant to offer alternatives to ACA plans or to destabilize its markets.

risk-adjustment program could cause some companies to stop selling plans in some markets or boost premiums even more.

Bright and Oscar said that despite the move, they're going ahead with their expansion plans.

Medica is entering Oklahoma, adding a second option to that state's Obamacare market.

"We're watching the situation closely. We aren't making any changes to our 2019 plans at this time," Greg Bury, a spokesman for Medica, said of the risk-adjustment program.

The expansions will give more options to customers in some states where choices had dwindled.

For 2018, about a quarter of people signing up for ACA plans could select only one insurer, according to data compiled by Bloomberg. A similar percentage could pick from two.

Trump has boasted that his actions have helped undermine the 2010 law. The administration has taken several steps meant to offer alternatives to Affordable Care Act plans or to destabilize its markets.

"We've essentially gutted it anyway," Trump told supporters in a June speech. "Obamacare is on its last legs. It's almost finished."

On Tuesday, his administration announced it would cut funding for "navigators" who help people find and sign up for Obamacare plans to \$10 million, from \$36 million last year.

The administration called the program ineffective and said ad-

vertising from insurers can help make up for the reduced funding. Supporters of the health law called the move another sign of the administration's determination to undermine the ACA.

Insurers can adapt to market turmoil by raising rates. Premiums are set to climb again in 2019, according to a preliminary survey from Kaiser.

Insurers began filing rate plans with state regulators this spring and will wrap up in the fall ahead of enrollment season.

Consumers have less flexibility. Rising premiums can eat into household budgets, and people who make too much money to qualify for federal help — but not enough to carry a heavier insurance burden on their own — could opt to go without coverage.

Congress also scrapped the ACA's requirement that all individuals buy health coverage, and Trump is set to allow skimpier plans to be sold more widely.

Those forces could pull healthier people out of ACA plans and cause costs to surge for the sicker people who stay.

Susanna Williams, a self-employed consultant who lives in Brooklyn, N.Y., has seen her monthly spending on health insurance climb from \$400.37 in 2015 to \$470.80 this year, even as she downgraded her coverage to save money.

Her insurer, Oscar, is boosting rates again for 2019, and Williams is slated to see an increase to \$518.33 for a low-level bronze plan.

"I cannot justify paying that much money for a health care

service that I use once a year," she said.

She's hoping to land a full-time job with health insurance before she has to renew her coverage.

She makes too much to qualify for government subsidies, which are available to people making up to four times the poverty level, or about \$48,000 a year for an individual.

Centene Corp., which specializes in health coverage for low-income people, has filed plans to enter North Carolina, where the vast majority of the state is served by just one insurer.

In Iowa, Wellmark, a regional insurer, plans to rejoin the ACA market for 2019.

Oscar and Bright are targeting locations where options had dwindled, entering Arizona and Tennessee. Every Arizona county had just one insurance option this year, while no part of Tennessee had more than two.

For 2019, Bright, which has raised \$240 million from investors, will also sell Medicare Advantage plans for seniors in six new cities, including New York; Cincinnati; and Nashville, Tenn., bringing the number of markets where the company sells the private health plans for seniors to nine.

Both startups are forming partnerships with hospitals as a shortcut to developing networks of care providers in their new cities.

The strategy can also help the companies control costs because the hospitals and insurers both benefit from lower medical spending.

# Accenture acquires Schaumburg AI company

BY ALLY MAROTTI  
Chicago Tribune

Global consulting firm Accenture has acquired Kogentix, a Schaumburg-based data analytics and artificial intelligence company, in an effort to get its clients ahead of the big data curve.

The 220-employee company provides services that help organizations make better decisions with their data. The deal, which closed Thursday, will improve Accenture's ability to help its clients build out their data analytics capabilities, said Kingston Smith, managing director of Accenture's Applied Intelligence practice.

"If you think about the clients we serve here in the Chicago area, they're not digital native companies," Smith said. "(This) is where they're headed."

The terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Kogentix will be folded into the Accenture Applied Intelligence practice, which uses artificial intelligence to help clients. Accenture is based in Ireland, but the professional services firm employs about 5,600 people in Chicago. It opened an innovation center in Ogilvie Transportation Center about two years ago with a maker space, a design studio and a hologram that greets guests at the door.

Kogentix has about 50 employees in its Schaumburg headquarters. The company's CEO and co-founder Boyd Davis said he expects the employees eventually will move downtown to Accenture's innovation hub.

Davis and his co-founders will become managing directors at Accenture.

"The market is just growing so fast and the opportunity is so big, we really wanted to be part of an organization that can help us scale," he said. "With this acquisition, we actually joined arguably the market leader in the space."

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# Fast-food chains to end 'no-poaching' guidelines

BY GENE JOHNSON  
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SEATTLE — Seven national fast-food chains have agreed to end policies that blocked workers from changing branches — limiting wages and job opportunities — under the threat of legal action from the state.

Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson announced the binding agreements with companies including Arby's, Jimmy John's and Cinnabon, Thursday. McDonald's also signed on, but previously announced plans to end the practice.

The so-called no-poach policies prevent franchises from hiring workers away from other franchises of the same chain. That's been considered convenient for franchise owners, but has blocked experienced workers at one franchise from getting a better-paying job at another.

Ferguson credited the seven companies for quickly agreeing to end the practice nationwide in response to his legal threats and said fast-food chains that don't follow suit will be sued.

# At Sun Valley event, a stellar constellation of stars gathers

BY NABILA AHMED  
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Bloomberg News

Masayoshi Son said he had no money for deals (ahem), Comcast's Brian Roberts had nothing to say and Steve Case gave advice on how not to do a deal (remember AOL-Time Warner?).

Media and tech titans turned up in good spirits at the billionaire's summer camp at the Sun Valley Resort in Idaho, even though the U.S. just started a trade war with China and their private jets faced the worst delays within the continental U.S. on Tuesday. They gave little away, as Allen & Co.'s annual conference officially kicked off with a Western-themed, early evening barbecue.

The buzz this year is the battle between Walt Disney Co. and Comcast Corp. for 21st Century Fox Inc.'s entertainment assets, which includes properties ranging from "The Simpsons" to "X-Men." Right now, Disney appears to be the closest to sealing the deal with its \$71.3 billion



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Masayoshi Son, the SoftBank CEO, was among the attendees.

cash-and-stock offer, but things could change depending on whether further talks take place at the mountain retreat.

Fox Chairman Rupert Murdoch arrived with his wife, Jerry Hall, and News Corp. Chief Executive Officer Robert Thomson. Comcast's Roberts, driven into the resort by his Chief Financial Officer Michael Cavanaugh, offered a cheerful wave to reporters.

Early on Wednesday, Fox boosted its bid for Sky, in the related bidding war with Com-

cast taking place in the U.K. Heading into a panel discussion shortly after the offer was revealed, Rupert and his son, Fox co-chairman Lachlan Murdoch, were keen to pass the buck on how high the price could go in the race for the company's entertainment assets, both giving the same response: "Ask him!"

SoftBank Group founder Son, meanwhile, ruled himself out of the race for traditional media assets, enthusing instead about artificial intelligence, the Internet of Things and robotics as areas of investment for his Vision Fund, which is close to reaching \$100 billion. Son said he's "meeting a dozen guys" at the conference, but remained coy on deal prospects. "I have no money," said the businessman worth a reported \$14.3 billion.

The annual conference is famous for incubating some of the biggest deals in the industry, including Disney's 1995 purchase of ABC/Capital Cities and the ill-fated merger between America Online and Time Warner Inc. Case, AOL's former AOL chair-

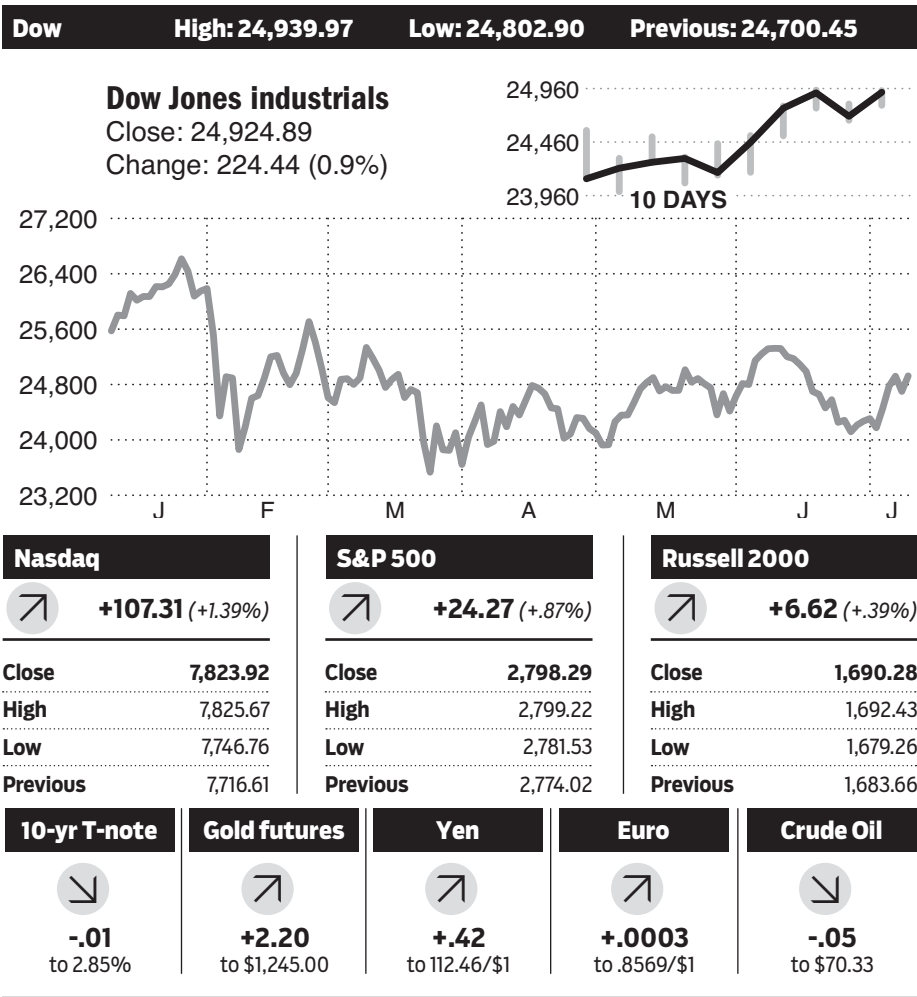
man, had some advice to dispense based on his own experience with what's been described as one of the worst — if not the worst — merger in history. "Vision without execution is hallucination," he said, quoting Thomas Edison.

Perhaps no one understands better the importance of resolving social issues in a deal than Shari Redstone, whose family investment vehicle National Amusements Inc. controls CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. — two companies she might like to see back together.

Instead, she's locked in a legal battle with CBS' board, which is trying to strip NAI of its control over the company. CBS CEO Les Moonves and the board have said it might be better off merging with an alternative partner. Redstone, who was seen heading to evening functions with former Disney boss Michael Eisner and his wife, remained tight-lipped about her battle. Moonves, one of the later executives to reach the resort, also declined to comment.



MARKET ROUNDUP



LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization.

Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	62.74	+.45	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	92.25	+.08	McDonalds Corp	N	159.12	+.50
AbbVie Inc	N	95.61	+1.61	Equity Residential	N	65.13	+.26	Middleby Corp	O	101.83	-1.01
Allstate Corp	N	92.90	+.07	Exelon Corp	N	42.35	-1.10	Mondelez Intl	O	42.45	+1.20
Aptargroup Inc	N	95.74	+.06	First Indl RT	N	33.52	+.19	Morningstar Inc	O	131.67	+1.12
Arch Dan Mid	N	47.90	+.05	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	54.49	+.09	Motorola Solu	N	120.77	+.45
Baxter Intl	N	74.78	+.46	Gallagher AJ	N	68.66	+.47	Navistar Intl	N	42.48	+1.13
Boeing Co	N	346.03	+5.43	Granger WW	N	309.21	-1.22	NiSource Inc	N	26.30	-.08
Brunswick Corp	N	67.04	-.19	GrubHub Inc	N	111.25	+.25	Ntnn Trust Cp	O	104.13	+.02
CBOE Global Markets	O	103.13	+.98	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	90.44	+.30	Old Republic	N	20.05	-.24
CDK Global Inc	O	67.25	+.19	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	80.64	+.07	Packaging Corp Am	N	114.81	+.83
CDW Corp	O	85.10	+1.09	IDEX Corp	N	138.15	+.41	Paylocity Hldg	O	64.71	+1.23
CF Industries	N	43.12	+.56	ITW	N	142.47	+.86	Stericycle Inc	O	68.35	+1.12
CME Group	O	166.70	+1.27	Ingredion Inc	N	110.77	-.24	TransUnion	N	74.83	+.58
CNA Financial	N	47.16	-.16	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	167.57	+.22	USG Corp	N	43.25	+.05
Caterpillar Inc	N	139.42	+2.66	KapStone Paper	N	34.64	+.03	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	252.87	+.67
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.06	-.48	Kemper Corp	N	71.50	+.95	United Contl Hldgs	N	71.04	+2.16
Deere Co	N	140.80	-.62	Kraft Heinz Co	O	63.64	-.10	Ventas Inc	N	58.40	+0.1
Discover Fin Svcs	N	70.98	-.26	LKQ Corporation	O	32.82	+.24	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	63.88	-.22
Dover Corp	N	73.89	+.55	Littelfuse Inc	O	226.93	+2.55	Wintrust Financial	O	87.53	-.60
Equity Commonwlth	N	31.75	+.01	MB Financial	O	47.82	-.16	Zebra Tech	O	149.36	+2.69

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	28.77	+.09
AT&T Inc	32.23	+.36
Gen Electric	13.99	...
Ambev S.A.	4.71	+.10
Twitter Inc	45.26	+1.39
Chesapeake Engy	5.12	-.03
Ford Motor	11.05	-.02
Oracle Corp	48.15	+.51
Vale SA	13.02	+.37
Freeport McMoRan	17.29	-.07
Wells Fargo & Co	56.03	-.04
Alibaba Group Hldg	190.17	+2.75
Denbury Res	4.97	-.10
Pfizer Inc	37.52	+.31
Sthwstn Energy	5.35	-.12
Synchrony Financial	32.96	-1.84
Huya Inc	37.37	+.90
L Brands Inc	32.34	-4.43
ENSCO PLC	7.60	-.06
Nokia Corp	5.90	+.06
Infosys Ltd	20.01	+.25
CVS Health Corp	67.99	+.69
Weatherford Intl Ltd	3.55	+.06
Petrobras	10.63	+.28

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	190.17	+2.75
Alphabet Inc C	1183.48	+29.58
Alphabet Inc A	1201.26	+29.80
Amazon.com Inc	1796.62	+41.62
Apple Inc	191.03	+3.15
Bank of America	28.77	+.09
Berkshire Hath B	189.96	+.10
Exxon Mobil Corp	82.69	+.05
Facebook Inc	206.92	+4.38
Intel Corp	52.35	+1.15
JPMorgan Chase	106.85	+.46
Johnson & Johnson	127.76	+1.52
Microsoft Corp	104.19	+2.21
Royal Dutch Shell B	73.08	+.38
Royal Dutch Shell A	69.46	+.19
Unitedhealth Group	256.05	+1.46
Visa Inc	139.90	-1.71
WalMart Strs	86.52	-.01
Wells Fargo & Co	56.03	-.04

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR
American Funds AMCPA m	34.15	+20	+22.7
American Funds AmronBAlA m	27.56	+09	+10.1
American Funds CptWldGrIncA m	51.49	+32	+11.2
American Funds CptIncBldrA m	60.69	+23	+3.6
American Funds FdmtInvnsA m	63.92	+28	+15.3
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	55.62	+41	+23.8
American Funds InvCAMrCA m	23.02	+11	+6.9
American Funds InvCAMrCA m	41.33	+25	+14.7
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	46.14	+45	+16.0
American Funds WAMTInvnsA m	45.45	+29	+15.7
DFA IntlCorEqIn	13.97	+09	+7.9
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.42	...	+.5
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	43.56	+29	-.4
Dodge & Cox Stk	207.70	+2.00	+14.4
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.43	...	+1.0
Fidelity 500Idxns	97.83	+86	+16.8
Fidelity 500IdxnsPrm	97.83	+86	+16.8
Fidelity 500IndexPrm	97.83	+86	+16.7
Fidelity Contrafund	137.28	+1.83	+26.2
Fidelity Contrafund	137.26	+1.83	+26.4
Fidelity LowPrStk	55.47	+28	+14.1
Fidelity TtMktIdxPrm	80.91	+65	+17.2
Franklin Templeton InCA m	2.32	+01	+4.4
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.40	...	...
PIMCO IncInsl	12.02	...	+2.6
PIMCO TtRetIns	9.99	...	+.2
Schwab SP500Idx	43.55	+38	+16.8
T. Rowe Price BCGR	112.02	+1.60	+29.7
T. Rowe Price GrStk	71.46	+93	+25.2
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	258.55	+2.27	+16.7
Vanguard DivGrInv	27.20	+20	+13.2
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	79.88	+92	+22.0
Vanguard HCAdmrl	89.10	+132	+6.9
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	13.92	+01	+1.4
Vanguard InslIdxns	255.23	+2.24	+16.7
Vanguard InslIdxnsPlus	255.25	+2.24	+16.8
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	62.58	+51	+17.3
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	101.21	+137	+19.5
Vanguard MdCpldxAdmrl	200.56	+1.47	+14.3
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	145.50	+2.06	+21.2
Vanguard STInvMGrAdmrl	10.46	...	+.2
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	76.70	+35	+19.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.78	+14	+7.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.77	+10	+8.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	34.21	+20	+9.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.09	+14	+10.3
Vanguard TtBMIdxAdmrl	10.45	...	-.3
Vanguard TtBMIdxns	10.45	...	-.3
Vanguard TtInBldxAdmrl	21.91	...	+3.5
Vanguard TtInBldxns	32.88	+01	+3.5
Vanguard TtInSldxAdmrl	29.22	+24	+6.7
Vanguard TtInSldxns	116.83	+96	+6.7
Vanguard TtInSldxnsPlus	116.85	+96	+6.7
Vanguard TtInSldxns	17.47	+15	+6.7
Vanguard TtSMIdxAdmrl	70.39	+58	+17.3
Vanguard TtSMIdxns	70.40	+57	+17.3
Vanguard TtSMIdxlnv	70.36	+57	+17.2
Vanguard WlngntAdmrl	72.15	+46	+8.4
Vanguard WlslyncAdmrl	63.73	+19	+4.2
Vanguard WndsrllAdmrl	67.75	+43	+10.0

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.92	1.92
6-month disc	2.12	2.10
2-year	2.59	2.58
10-year	2.85	2.86
30-year	2.95	2.95

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1245.00	\$1242.80
Silver	\$15.898	\$15.732
Platinum	\$842.30	\$831.00

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)	27.2220
Australia (Dollar)	1.3507
Brazil (Real)	3.8954
Britain (Pound)	.7571
Canada (Dollar)	1.3171
China (Yuan)	6.6669
Euro	.8569
India (Rupee)	68.325
Israel (Shekel)	3.6456
Japan (Yen)	112.46
Mexico (Peso)	18.9322
Poland (Zloty)	3.70
So. Korea (Won)	1125.30
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.53
Thailand (Baht)	33.20

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change

30-day % change

1-year % change

DOW

+2.33

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NASD

+3.13

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S&P

+2.25

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DOW

-99

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+14.32

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FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	484.25	484.25	482.50	482.50	+12.75
		Sep 18	474.25	488.50	473	484.50	+12.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	332.25	340.75	329.75	336.50	+5.25
		Sep 18	342	349.75	337.25	345.75	+5.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 18	832.75	833.25	826	830	+.25
		Aug 18	835	841.25	822.25	833.75	+.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jul 18	28.29	28.30	28.17	28.17	-.16
		Aug 18	28.50	28.58	28.22	28.27	-.16
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jul 18	334.00	334.20	329.30	333.40	+.40
		Aug 18	331.40	333.00	325.80	330.90	+.40
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Aug 18	70.60	71.24	69.23	70.33	-.05
		Sep 18	69.21	69.81	68.09	69.35	+.49
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Aug 18	2.822	2.827	2.789	2.797	-.032
		Sep 18	2.787	2.796	2.759	2.766	-.031
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Aug 18	2.0620	2.0888	2.0438	2.0717	+.0103
		Sep 18	2.0325	2.0647	2.0181	2.0468	+.0092

Source: The Associated Press

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			3/1 ARM	4.125	0.000	\$75	5%	4.127		
			5/1 ARM	4.125	0.000	\$5	5%	4.126		
			7/1 ARM	4.125	0.000	\$55	5%	4.128		
			30 yr jumbo	4.500	0.000	\$50	20%	4.566		
			5/1 jumbo ARM	4.500	0.000	\$50	20%	4.566		
			30 yr FHA	4.000	0.000	\$50	3.5%	4.010		
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			15 yr fixed	3.875	0.000	\$999	20%	4.067		
			10 yr fixed	3.750	0.000	\$999	20%	4.027		
			7 yr fixed	3.625	0.000	\$999	20%	4.010		
			5/1 ARM	3.375	0.000	\$999	20%	4.549		
			7/1 ARM	3.875	0.000	\$999	20%	4.573		
			30 yr jumbo	4.250	0.000	\$999	20%	4.292		
Central Federal Savings and Loan Association	4.484%	Rate: 4.375	5/1 jumbo ARM	3.375	0.000	\$999	20%	4.769	708-416-3661 www.centralfederalsavings.com	NMLS# 458026
			20 yr fixed	4.125	0.000	\$755	20%	4.273		
			15 yr fixed	3.875	0.000	\$755	20%	4.062		
			10 yr fixed	3.750	0.000	\$755	20%	4.018		
			7/1 ARM (30yr)	4.000	0.000	\$755	20%	4.561		
			30 yr jumbo	4.375	0.000	\$755	20%	4.424		
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## OBITUARIES

MELVIN E. JOHNSON 1926-2018

# Longtime science teacher in NW suburbs

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH  
Chicago Tribune

Melvin E. Johnson, who taught science at several west and northwest suburban high schools for 40 years, died June 18 of complications from a head injury at his home, said his wife of 67 years, Joyce. He was 91 and a resident of Carol Stream.

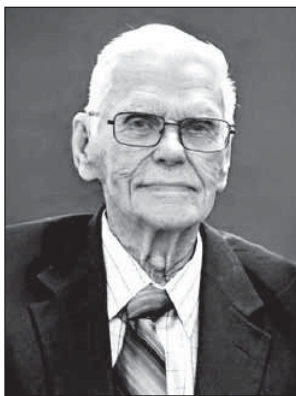
"He loved the students, and he liked what all teachers like, which is that light in their eyes when he explained something that they had not understood or thought of before," said retired Arlington High School English teacher Bob Boesel.

Born in La Porte, Ind., Johnson grew up in Michigan City, Ind. He earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Wheaton College in 1948 and then began working at the private Wheaton Academy High School in West Chicago, where at varying times he was a biology teacher, headmaster, dorm supervisor and even a bus driver.

"He did also serve as headmaster, but he always preferred the classroom," his wife said.

In 1953, Johnson earned a master's degree in education from Northwestern University.

At the encouragement of a neighbor who was teaching in Township High School District 214 in Arlington Heights, Johnson in 1960 took a job teaching science at the now-shuttered Arlington High School in Arlington Heights. He taught biology, botany, zool-



FAMILY PHOTO

Melvin E. Johnson retired as a teacher from Elk Grove High School in 1988.

ogy and horticulture. In 1967, Johnson moved to Wheeling High School as part of a pilot program to help coach other teachers, but he soon returned to Arlington High School.

"He was absolutely a marvelous teacher," said Lori Friebus, a student of Johnson's in the 1970s. "He challenged every student he had to be the best that they could be. He would write his exams in such a way that you could rarely complete all of the answers, but it was to measure how much you had learned. It became a challenge for me to finish those tests to show that I could learn everything."

Karl Pingel, who took Johnson's biology class in 1963 and his zoology class in 1967, recalled Johnson as "one of those guys that the minute you meet him, you know you'll like him."

"He made dissections of frogs (and) worms come to life," Pingel said. "He just made the class interesting."

Johnson greatly enjoyed

gardening, and he put that interest to use at Arlington High School, Boesel said.

"We had one greenhouse in the district, and that was at Arlington High, and Mel was in his glory there," he said.

Boesel also recalled Johnson's strong popularity at the school, including frequently being voted teacher of the year by students. One of Johnson's annual traditions was to take his science class to an overnight stay at his cottage in southwestern Michigan, Boesel said.

Friebus recalled the class trips to Michigan, and how Johnson would teach his students the concept of "ecological succession, and how to preserve the environment."

"He obviously cared for his students," Friebus said.

After Arlington High closed in 1984, Johnson taught at Forest View High School in Arlington Heights until it closed in 1986. He then shifted to Elk Grove High School.

After retiring from Elk Grove High School in 1988, Johnson and his wife went on mission trips to a variety of places, including Arizona, Scotland, Venezuela, the Dominican Republic and Germany. Johnson and his wife also spent more time at their cottage in Michigan, which he and his father had built in 1958.

In addition to his wife, Johnson is survived by sons Doug and Steve; and five grandchildren.

Services were held.

*Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.*

## Chicago Daily Tribune

### ON JULY 13 ...

**In 1787**, Congress enacted an ordinance governing the Northwest Territory.

**In 1793**, French revolutionary writer Jean-Paul Marat was stabbed to death in his bath by Charlotte Corday, who was executed four days later.

**In 1863** violent protests against the Civil War military draft erupted in New York. (In three days of rioting, about 1,000 people died.)

**In 1942** actor Harrison Ford was born in Chicago.

**In 1960** John Kennedy won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in Los Angeles.

**In 1967** race riots broke out in Newark, N.J.; 27 people died during five days of rioting.

**In 1974** the Senate Watergate Committee proposed sweeping reforms in an effort to prevent a similar scandal.

**In 1977** a power blackout virtually paralyzed New York City for 25 hours. (More than 3,700 people were arrested for looting and rioting during and after the blackout.)

**In 1978** Lee Iacocca was fired as president of Ford Motor Co. by Chairman Henry Ford II.

**In 1979** four Palestinian guerrillas killed two Turk-

ish security guards and seized 19 hostages at the Egyptian Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, demanding freedom for jailed comrades in Egypt. (The guerrillas surrendered and released their hostages two days later.)

**In 1985** Live Aid, an international rock concert in London and Philadelphia, was staged to raise money for African famine relief. **Also in 1985**, before undergoing surgery for colon cancer, President Ronald Reagan transferred power temporarily to Vice President George H.W. Bush; it was the first time the Constitution's presidential disability clause was invoked.

**In 1993** race car driver Davey Allison died in Birmingham, Ala., of injuries suffered in a helicopter crash.

**In 1994** Tonya Harding's ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, was sentenced in Portland, Ore., to two years in prison for his role in the attack on Harding's skating rival Nancy Kerrigan.

**In 1995** Chicago's high temperature for the day reached 106 degrees, breaking a 61-year-old record and beginning the second hottest summer in city history. (When the heat wave ended four days later, 521 Cook County deaths were blamed on the weather. A report issued in September blamed more than 700 deaths on the heat in the city alone.) **Also in 1995** about 2,500 workers at De-

troit's two daily newspapers began a 19-month strike.

**In 1998** a jury in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., ruled that Al Sharpton and two others had defamed a former prosecutor by accusing him of raping Tawana Brawley.

**In 2005** former WorldCom Inc. boss Bernard Ebbers was sentenced to 25 years in prison for leading the largest corporate fraud in U.S. history.

**In 2013** a jury found neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman not guilty in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin, 17, in Sanford, Fla. **Also in 2013** actor Cory Monteith, who shot to fame in the TV series "Glee," died from an accidental overdose of drugs and alcohol in Vancouver, British Columbia; he was 31.

**In 2015** Greece struck a preliminary rescue deal with its creditors meant to avert an imminent financial catastrophe but also ensuring years of austerity measures. **Also in 2015** Sandra Bland, 28, of Illinois, was found dead, hanging in a jail cell in Waller County, Texas, after being arrested during a traffic stop three days earlier; her death was classified a suicide.

**In 2016** Theresa May entered No. 10 Downing Street as Britain's new prime minister following a bittersweet exit by David Cameron, who resigned after voters rejected his appeal to stay in the European Union.

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<b>ILLINOIS</b>	
July 12	
Lotto	02 23 32 35 38 46 / 07
Lotto jackpot: \$7.5M	
Pick 3 midday	758 / 1
Pick 4 midday	6773 / 6
Lucky Day Lotto midday	
	02 15 20 41 45
Pick 3 evening	445 / 1
Pick 4 evening	9995 / 4
Lucky Day Lotto evening	
	03 04 16 32 35
July 13 Mega Millions: \$340M	
July 14 Powerball: \$100M	
<b>WISCONSIN</b>	
July 12	
Pick 3	515
Pick 4	8325
Badger 5	07 16 22 27 29
SuperCash	07 13 15 26 30 39

<b>INDIANA</b>	
July 12	
Daily 3 midday	435 / 0
Daily 4 midday	0448 / 0
Daily 3 evening	381 / 1
Daily 4 evening	5217 / 1
Cash 5	03 18 19 21 29
<b>MICHIGAN</b>	
July 12	
Daily 3 midday	981
Daily 4 midday	5693
Daily 3 evening	862
Daily 4 evening	2936
Fantasy 5	09 20 29 32 37
Keno	03 04 07 09 16 18
	19 30 34 38 48 49 52 55
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#### Bath, Phyllis J.

Phyllis J. Bath nee Crotty, Age 82, Loving mother of David (Linda), Ronald and Mark (Caryn) Bath, proud grandmother of Tyler, Jason, Nicole, Samantha and Allison. caring sister of Ann Crotty, Sister Rita Crotty, Peggy Hannafin, Patsy McIntyre and Patrick Crotty, fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday July 15, 2018 2pm-8pm, **Vandenberg Funeral Home** 17248 S. Harlem Ave. Tinley Park, IL 60477. Service Monday July 16, 2018 at **Vandenberg Funeral Home** 12:30pm. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the American Heart Assoc. in Bloomington, IL 60171. For information 708-532-1635 or [www.vandenbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.vandenbergfuneralhome.com)

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#### Boyd, Roy Herschel

Roy Herschel Boyd, of Roy Boyd Gallery, died peacefully on June 27, 2018. Boyd and his late wife Ann operated their gallery for 42 years. He was president of the Chicago Art Dealers Association from 2003-2007. The gallery participated in the original International Art Exposition at Navy Pier in the 1980s, Art Chicago and other international art fairs for many years.

Roy was born in Harrison, Arkansas, April 1, 1936. He joined the NROTC after high school spending time in Cuba, Scotland and the British Isles before earning a Bachelor of Business from the University of Nebraska on Navy Scholarship. He served three more years in the Navy as a Lieutenant in the Pacific, West Coast and Japan, then took a year to travel the world, establishing a life-long love of travel.

He met his wife Ann while working for National Can Corporation in Los Angeles and after transferring to Chicago they started The March Gallery in Western Springs. As the Roy Boyd Gallery, they moved to the River North area in 1976. By 1983, 16 other galleries had opened in River North. Roy and Ann also owned a gallery in Santa Monica, California from 1981-1993.

Roy is preceded in death by his wife, Ann Taylor Boyd, his parents, Alberta Kirkham Boyd and Frank L. Boyd, and brother-in-law, James Kenneth Taylor. He is survived by sisters Joan Kirkham Boyd, Jeanie Boyd Joblin, Virginia Boyd and Marian Boyd; his nephews, Nathan Joblin and Michael McCullough, and their children, Amelia Celine Joblin, Aiden Joblin and Nicholas Stevens. Roy had great mentors throughout his life, and was a mentor to many others. He was a story-teller, was a bit of a risk taker, and had a great sense of adventure, orchestrating many trips for friends and family.

Memorials may be made to Heifer Project International, Habitat for Humanity, the National Alzheimer's Association or your favorite arts organization. While this disease had a harsh, quick impact on Roy, it did bring him the gift of great patience and it never took his sense of humor.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff of The Clare in Chicago for their excellent care and compassion, as well as his dear friends Jeffery Bloom, Lois Iseninger, Jeff Mercer and Linda Glass who were there for all of us during his illness.

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#### Campbell, Nancy Jean

Nancy Jean Campell, age 64, of Glenview, IL. Surgical nurse for 20 years. Loving mother of Angela; beloved daughter of Colleen Campbell nee Rettig and the late Gordon J. Campbell, Sr.; loving sister of John Campbell and the late Gordon Campbell, Jr.; dear aunt of Eric, and Scott Campbell; fond cousin of Fred, David, and Msgr. Robert Dempsey. Visitation, Monday, July 16, 2018, 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass, 10:00 a.m. at Saint Philip the Apostle Church, 1962 Old Willow Road, Northfield, IL 60093. Interment Maryhill Cemetery, Niles. Info: [www.donnellanfuneral.com](http://www.donnellanfuneral.com) or (875) 675-1990



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#### Capra, Jeanette

Capra, Jeanette, age 83; passed away July 10, 2018; last surviving offspring and daughter of Ralph and Christine (nee Santillo) Capra; cherished sister of the late Albert, Louise Canino, Frank, Richard, George and Ralph Jr; treasured aunt of Leonard, Carl and Linda Canino; Jeanette Bellcourt, Michael, Sheila, Shirley, George and Christina Capra, Bridget Brzoska, Lisa Capra-Ullrich and Jacqueline Marks; adored great-aunt of 15 and great-great aunt of five nieces and nephews. Jeanette was a graduate of St. Anthony Grammar School in Bridgeport and Visitation High School. She was a long time Legal Secretary for the firm of Freeman and Rochester, Administrative Assistant to Chief Judge Harry Comerford of the Circuit Court of Cook County, parishoner and office assistant of Holy Trinity Church, Westmont. Dear friend of many including most fond friend of Eileen Shannon and Ceil Kimball. Visitation Saturday, July 14th from 9 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at All Saints - St. Anthony Church (Corner of 28th Place and Wallace St.) Chicago. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Holy Trinity St. Vincent DePaul Society, 25 E. Richmond St., Westmont, IL 60559. Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to **Dalcamo Funeral Home** 312-842-8681 or [www.dalcamofuneralhome.com](http://www.dalcamofuneralhome.com)

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#### Carlson, Melvin G.

Melvin George Carlson, 77, a resident of Grayslake, passed away Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was born June 22, 1941 in Chicago to Carl and Katherine Carlson. He was a retired English teacher at Glenbrook North High School and was a member of St. Peter Church in Volo. He is survived by his brothers, Carl (Linda) and Robert; his nephews, Eric (April) Carlson and Shane Carlson; his great-nephew and great-niece, Cayden and Morgan; and cousins, Dennis (Josie) Sell, Stan Carlson, Corinne DeVelasco, Rhoda (Jerry) Carlson and Brian (Liz) Sell. Visitation is Monday, July 16, 2018 from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral mass at 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter Church, 27551 Volo Village Rd, Volo, IL 60073. Entombment will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Arrangements were entrusted to Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, 410 E. Belvidere Rd, Grayslake, IL 60030. For information, call 847-223-8122 or visit [www.strangfuneral.org](http://www.strangfuneral.org).



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#### Clark, Leslie Anne

Leslie Anne Clark (nee Ryjewski), 49, of Leesburg, IN entered into the loving arms of Jesus on Saturday, July 7, 2018 while at her home. She was born on April 22, 1969 in Chicago, IL to Stephen & Constance "Connie" (Kanera) Ryjewski.

She graduated in 1987 from Rolling Meadows High School in Rolling Meadows, IL and moved to the Leesburg area from Palatine, IL in 2015. Leslie spent most of her life as a devoted mother and homemaker who loved to garden, cook, and create beauty out of the ordinary.

She is survived by: Daughter - Meghan (Tim) Hagan of Lagrange, IL Son- Jarrett Clark of Homer Glen, IL Parents - Stephen & Connie Ryjewski of Arlington Heights, IL Grandmother - Jeanne Ryjewski of Chicago, IL Sister- Jennifer Fredericks of Glen Ellyn, IL Brother- Raymond (Jenni) Ryjewski of Westerville, OH

Many Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, & Nephews She was preceded in death by her grandfather - Steven Ryjewski Burial will be private at the St. Adalbert Cemetery in Niles, IL. Cremation Services of Kosciusko County, 4356 N. St. Rd. 15, Warsaw, IN is in charge of arrangements. To send condolences to the family in memory of Leslie Clark, please visit [www.cremationserviceskc.com](http://www.cremationserviceskc.com)

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#### Cullen, Kevin V.

Kevin V. Cullen, age 59, of Darien. Cherished son of the late Vincent and the late Margaret Cullen. Loving brother of Maureen (Randall) Chmel. Devoted uncle of Matthew (Emily) Chmel and Elizabeth (Derrick) Jones. Great-uncle of Bobby Chmel. Visitation 3-8 p.m. Sunday at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 301 75th St., Downers Grove. Prayers 9:15am Monday from the funeral home to Christ the Servant Church for Mass at 10 a.m. Interment St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Fight Like a Champion ([www.fightlikeachampion.org](http://www.fightlikeachampion.org)) appreciated. Funeral info 630-964-6500

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#### Cunningham, Michael J.

Michael J. Cunningham, 55, of Glenview, passed away July 10, 2018. Loving father of Molly and Conor Cunningham; cherished brother of Peter (Jean) Cunningham, Mary (Bart) Kent, Tom Cunningham, Pat (Grant) Kottmeyer, and his twin sister Kathy Kisiak; devoted uncle of many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by the beloved mother of their children, Lisa Cunningham and his dogs, Duke and Dutchess. He is preceded in death by his parents, Bill and June Cunningham, and his brother Bill Cunningham. Michael was a proud Indiana University graduate. Then, for more than two decades was a well-respected trial lawyer and Partner with Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP. He was a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, the Society of Trial Lawyers and was a much respected by the Chicago Trial Bar.

Michael was full of passion and humor, with an infectious laugh and compassionate style that connected him instantly to many who loved him. He loved with his whole heart and cherished his family most dearly. A visitation will be held Saturday, July 14 from 1 pm until time of the service at 3pm at **N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home**, 1240 Waukegan Road, Glenview. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (<https://afsp.donordrive.com/campaign/Michael-J-Cunningham>). Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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#### Dimoulis, Tom G.

Tom Dimoulis, beloved husband of the late Mary Dimoulis and loving father of Gust (Ramona) Dimoulis. Family and friends will meet Monday morning, July 9, 2018, at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 1017 N. LaSalle Drive, Chicago, IL 60610 for Visitation at 10:00 am until time of Funeral Service 10:30 am. Interment at Maryhill Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers. Donations may be made to Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Arrangements by John G. Adinamis Funeral Directors, Ltd. For information please call 773-736-3833.

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#### Dwyer, Barbara Ruth

Barbara Ruth Dwyer, age 90, passed away July 12, 2018. Beloved wife of the late John; loving mother to David (Tony Abou-Zeid); Susan (Robert) Marshall, John (Danielle), the late Jim (Jane), Timothy (Katherine); dear grandmother to Robert Haas, Christina Imes, Daniel Culhane-Dwyer, Caitlyn Dwyer, and James Dwyer; fond great-grandmother to Jack Imes and Alexa Imes.



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## Enders, Mary Ann

Mary Ann Enders (nee Plummer), age 90, loving wife of the late George. Beloved mother of Esther (David) Hanna, Lois (George) Gregory, Martha (Craig) Siress, Mary Lou (Ken) Adams, Diane (John) Ellison, James (Alexis), late George Jr., late Ruth, late Paul, late Deborah, and the late Elisabeth. Dear Grandmother of 21. Great Grandmother of 26. Sister of Margaret Messerer, Aaron Plummer, Gerald Plummer, and Carolyn Stepka. Aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday, July 15, 2018 from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm at **Cuneo-Columbian Funeral Home**, 10300 W. Grand Ave. (1 blk. east of Mannheim Rd.) Franklin Park, IL. Funeral service Monday, July 16, 2018 at 11:00 am at Cuneo-Columbian. Interment Fairview Memorial Park, Northlake, IL. Donations can be made to Central Baptist Village, Norridge, IL or Great Lakes Caring Hospice, Des Plaines, IL. Info: 847-455-1200 or [www.cuneocolumbian.net](http://www.cuneocolumbian.net)  
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## Foley , Nora

Nora Foley, 82, passed away Monday, July 9, 2018 at her home surrounded by her family in Libertyville, IL. She was born December 21, 1935 in Ireland and came to the United States in 1953. Nora was a long-time resident of Chicago, living in Libertyville for the past 4 years where she was a member of St. Joseph Church. She will be remembered as an avid dancer at the Irish American Heritage Center, loved gardening and especially adored her children and grandchildren. Surviving is her husband, Matthew Foley; 2 children, Shavon (John) Foley Cihak and Matt (Trudy) Robinson Foley; 4 grandchildren, Michaela, Declan, Keaney and Felix; 2 sisters, Mary Staunton and Anne Burke and by a brother, Michael (Vera) Conway. She was preceded in death by her parents, James & Julia Conway and by 4 siblings, John, Tim, Peter and Judy. Funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at St. Joseph Church, 121 W. Maple Ave., Libertyville, IL. A visitation will be from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday at **Burnett-Dane Funeral Home**, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Interment will be at \_\_\_\_\_. Memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimers Association. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).  
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## Fry, Nancy McDougal

Nancy McDougal Fry, longtime advocate for young children and their welfare, passed away at her home in Wilmette, IL on July 9th, 2018. She was born to Helen and Robert McDougal, Jr. in Chicago on July 1, 1933. She was brought up in Hyde Park, attended the University of Chicago Lab School and graduated from its University High. She attended Radcliffe College, graduating in 1955, and was Editor of the Yearbook. She worked for several years in New York City for Vogue and Harper's Bazaar and then returned to Chicago, earned a Master of Arts in Teaching at the University of Chicago, and taught for several years in the Chicago Public Schools. In 1966 she moved to Winnetka, IL with her husband of fifty-seven years, Dr. Willard A. Fry. She had many activities and interests including being on the board of the Chicago Child Care Society, a docent at the Art Institute of Chicago, and a member of the Women's Board of the University of Chicago. She also served as President of the Child Care Center of Evanston (now known as Learning Bridge Early Education Center) and the Fortnightly of Chicago. An accomplished visual artist, she spent innumerable hours in her home studio, creating hand-painted objects of remarkable beauty, many of which she sold to local collectors. She was a voracious reader and lover of literature, especially novels and poetry. She was particularly proud of her family. She is survived by her husband, their three children, Dr. Michael McDougal Fry, Peter McDougal Fry, Catherine Fry (now Catherine Kane), and seven grandchildren. Memorials can be made to Learning Bridge Early Education Center, 1840 Asbury Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201.  
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## Gaynor, Patrick James

Patrick James Gaynor, 71, passed away on July 9, 2018. He was born in Evanston and lived in recent years in Wilmette. He was preceded in death by his parents, the late Bernard and Teresa Gaynor and his brother, Bernard Patrick Gaynor. Patrick is survived by many cousins, nieces, and nephews. In accordance with his wishes, there will be no funeral.  
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## Glaser, Allan Joseph

Allan Joseph Glaser, age 60, late of Thornton. Beloved husband of Gina Glaser nee Golab. Loving father of Jennifer (Michael) Germain, Julie (Andrew) Hebda, Melissa (Chad) Epker and the late Jacqueline and Patricia Glaser. Cherished grandfather of Olivia and Ethan. Dear brother of Michael Glaser and Barbara (Jack) Semens. Fond brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend to many. Visitation Sunday July 15, from 2 pm until the time of service at 6pm at the **Tews-Ryan Funeral Home** 18230 Dixie Highway in Homewood. Cremation private. For additional information contact [tews-ryanfh.com](mailto:tews-ryanfh.com) or 708-798-5300.



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## Goushas, Dorothy J

Dorothy J. Goushas nee Walsh, 90, of Lemont. Beloved wife of Clemens for 62 years; loving mother of Noreen (Frank) and John (Julie); cherished Sassy to Rebecca (Sean), Matthew (Jennifer), Alexa, Kyle, Sydney, Nicholas, and Christian; great grandmother of Bennett, Connor and Theodora; dear daughter of the late William and Alice Walsh; sister to the late William (Betty), Robert (Virginia), Alice Patricia (James), Joan and Rosemary (William); sister-in-law to Frank; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorials will be appreciated for the Lemont Lions Club or the Lemont Food Pantries. Visitation Sunday, July 15, 2018, from 2 – 8 p.m. and Monday, July 16, 2018, at 9 a.m. at **Markiewicz Funeral Home, P.C.**, 108 Illinois St., Lemont. Funeral services Monday, 9:30 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Alphonsus Church, for Mass at 10 a.m. Interment to be held privately, at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, at a later date. **Markiewicz Funeral Home, P.C.** 630-257-6363 or [www.markiewiczfh.com](http://www.markiewiczfh.com)

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## Hanfling, Norman

Norman Hanfling, 84, beloved husband of Joan; loving father of Rachel Hanfling and Tamar (Marcus) Mathias; cherished grandpa of Bo and Max Hanfling and Zachary and Alexander Mathias; dear brother of Roberta (the late Rabbi Frederick) Schwartz and Seymour (Julia) Hanfling. Chapel Service 12:15 PM today at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hadassah Children's Hospital ([www.hadassah-med.com](http://www.hadassah-med.com)). For information or to leave condolences: 847-255-3520 or [www.shalom2.com](http://www.shalom2.com).



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## Johnson, Grace M.J.

Grace M.J. Johnson, 86, of Dwight, IL, passed away on Thursday, July 12, 2018 at Joliet Community Hospice in Joliet, IL. Cremation rites have been accorded. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery at a later date. **Hager Memorial Home** in Dwight, IL is in charge of arrangements.

Grace was born in Shakespeare, Ontario on May 29, 1932 to John D. and Edna M. (Raegle) Fisher. She married Rev. Philip R. Johnson on June 29, 1969 in Chicago, he passed away on June 17, 2002.

She is survived by sons, Peter Johnson; grandson, Michael (Heidi) Cramer of Woodridge, IL sisters in law, Shirley Fisher, Christine Fisher, Robin Jaruszewski; brothers in law, Lorne Sippel, Russell Yausie, Norbert Jaruszewski; many nieces and nephews; many great nieces and nephews; many great great nieces and nephews; dear friend Iris Wilder and her faithful friend Echo.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents;brothers, Farkes Fisher, Donald Fisher, Alexander Fisher, George Fisher; sisters, Catherine Yausie, Christine Sippel, Mary White; sister in law Amy Fisher; brother in law, Dr. Ross White and nephew John Jaruszewski.

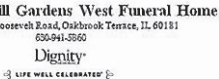
She was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Dwight, IL. She enjoyed playing euchre, taking care of her yard and visiting with friends at local senior dinners.

Memorials may be made to the Livingston County Humane Society or St. Peter's Lutheran Church and Online condolences may be made at [hagermemorial.com](http://hagermemorial.com).

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## McInerney, Genevieve

Genevieve McInerney (nee Hurckes), of Oak Brook, was called to the lord on July 12, 2018. Preceded in death by husbands Robert Harder and Michael McInerney, and son, Robert Harder, and grandson, Frank Eddy. Survived by daughters Dona (Don) Whalen and Theresa Balke, as well as grandchildren Carrie Shea (John) Spindler, Darcy Eddy, Matthew (Tina) Tintera and Mark (Amy) Tintera, and great-grandchildren Grace Natsis and Genevieve Tintera. Genevieve was born in Chicago on February 26, 1922, to Francis and Theresa Hurckes, and graduated from Providence High School. She was a longtime employee of Navistar International, where she spent 35+ years in the purchasing department. Genevieve was highly active in community activities, especially as a volunteer and fundraiser for Aspire. She also enjoyed baking, cooking, reading, shopping and spending time with friends and grandchildren. Genevieve made an impression on everyone she met, and will be remembered fondly for her outgoing personality, warmth, quick wit and knack for storytelling. Genevieve's Funeral will be held on Saturday, July 14th starting at 10am until the time of the Chapel Service at 12noon at **Chapel Hill Gardens West** Funeral Home (17W201 Roosevelt Rd. Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181). Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. For more info call 630-941-5860. **Chapel Hill Gardens West Funeral Home** 17w201 Roosevelt Road, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181 630-941-5860



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## Miller, Harlene R.

Harlene R. Miller (nee Mehr) age 74, beloved wife of Barry, happily married for over 54 years; loving mother of Michael Miller, Jennifer (Jason) Ashkenazy and Melissa (Brett) Silverman; cherished Bubbie of Elianna, Kenny, Haley, Brady, Zachary, Lucas, Isabella and Ian, much loved sister of Neal (Jeanette) Mehr. Chapel services TODAY, July 13, 10:00 AM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment will follow at Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the City of Hope. For information and condolences: 847-255-3520 or [www.shalom2.com](http://www.shalom2.com)



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## Nebrensky, Jeanne C.

Jeanne C. Nebrensky, age 86 of Janesville, WI, formerly of Forest Park. Cherished daughter of the late Charles and the late Helene (nee O'Shaughnessy) Nebrensky, dear sister of the late Marilyn (late Joseph) Neffas. Visitation Monday, July 16, 9:00am until time of prayers 10:00am at **Kuratko-Nosek Funeral Home** 2447 S. DesPlaines Ave., North Riverside to St. Bernardine Church, corner of Harrison Street and Elgin Avenue, Forest Park, Mass 10:30am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.KuratkoNosek.com](http://www.KuratkoNosek.com). Info: (708) 447-2500.



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## Neisser, Judith Einstein 'Judy'

Art Collector, writer, philanthropist, Judith Neisser (nee Einstein) died at age 82 on July 11, 2018. A dynamic force within Chicago and Aspen's cultural community, Neisser served as trustee emerita at the Art Institute of Chicago and Life Trustee at the Museum of Contemporary Art. Her involvement and philanthropy benefited numerous Chicago organizations, notably the Harris Theater, Shirley Ryan AbilityLab, Fulcrum Point New Music Project, and Erikson Institute. A talented writer and keen observer, Judy's insights informed her published interviews and essays on modern architecture. She was an energetic, lifelong champion of excellence in architecture and design and wrote for publications including Chicago Magazine, Art and Auction, Inland Architect, and Architectural Digest. Through the Neisser Family Foundation, Judy supported the building that houses Archeworks, a Chicago-based alternative architecture school. Her many friends adored her vivid sense of humor and intelligence; her ability to shift easily from the latest television series to the most rigorous works of minimalism. Judy created enduring friendships with so many individuals each of whom embraced her authentic warmth and loyalty. Her marriage to Edward Neisser was a great partnership; their children, David and Kate, and grandsons Edward and Isaac, were the source of pride and endless affection for Judy. She also held a special place in her heart for Bronwyn Poole and Stephen Burns. A memorial will take place at the Art Institute of Chicago in the fall. Details will be shared later this summer. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Judy's name to the Department of Modern and Contemporary Art at the Art Institute of Chicago.

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## Pagliaro, Peggy M.

(nee Torney), age 89. Native of Co. Westmeath Ireland. Educated in England as a Nurse. Emigrated to the U.S. in 1955 and worked at Little Company of Mary Hospital in Evergreen PK for many years. Beloved wife of the late Anthony J. Pagliaro. Loving mother of Loretta (Eric) McKnight, Nina (Alan) Nowaczyk and stepmother of Larry (Susan) Pagliaro and Suzy Campbell. Cherished grandmother of Lauren, Anna, Brianne, Catherine and Devin. Dear sister of Joan (the late Jimmy) Nugent, Josephine (the late Johnny) MacNamara, Eleanor (the late John) Griffin, John (Joan) Torney, the late Kathleen (the late Desmond) Troy and the late Gertrude (the late Gul) Mirchandani. Fond aunt to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday 3-9pm Funeral Monday 10:45am from the **MAHER Funeral Home** 17101 S. 71st Ave Tinley Pk to St. Alexander Church for Mass at 11:30am. Interment Abraham Lincoln Cemetery. To sign guestbook please visit [maherfuneralservices.com](http://maherfuneralservices.com). (708) 781-9212.



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## Poduch, Eugene J.

Eugene J. Poduch; beloved husband of the late Mildred; loving father of Linda (Jerry) Henrekin and the late Donald (late Erika Potruski); cherished grandfather of Caroline (Brian) Hecht and Jennifer (Bryan) Albro; great grandfather of Hailey Hecht; also loving uncle and friend of many. Visitation Sunday July 15, 2018 from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. at **COLONIAL-WOJCIECHOWSKI FUNERAL HOME** 6250 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Funeral services Monday, July 16, starting with prayers at 9:15 a.m. from the funeral home, proceeding to St. Constance Church for 10:00 a.m. Mass. Interment will follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery in Niles. Info 773-774-0366 or [www.colonialfuneral.com](http://www.colonialfuneral.com)



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## Schmidt , Jerry M.

Jerry M. Schmidt, 68, of Addison. Beloved husband of Ann nee Zeller. Loving father of Brian (Sarah) and Michael (Megan) Schmidt. Dear brother of Jan (Bob) Stiava, Ron (Deb) Schmidt and the late Suzanne Schmidt. Dearest uncle of Andy, Dakota, Hunter and Breeanna. Funeral Service Monday 9:15am from Humes Funeral Home 320 W. Lake St. Addison (2Mi E of Rt 53, 2Mi W of Rt 83) to St. Philip the Apostle Church for Mass at 10am. Int Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 2-8pm. If desired Memorials to the Cancer Society greatly appreciated. For info [www.humesfh.com](http://www.humesfh.com) or 630.628.8808



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## Schoner , Roger W.

Roger W. Schoner , passed away at the age of 84 on July 8, 2018. Beloved husband for 54 years of June(nee Koenig). Loving dad of Jeff (Stephanie) Schoner, Lynn (Bill) Power and Scott Schoner. Cherished grandpa of Alex, Niko Schoner, Billy and Katie Power. Roger was an active Shriner who served as Potentate of Medinah Temple in 1989. Roger was a 60 year Master Mason and member of Des Plaines Lodge 974 and a founding member of Medinah Lodge #1182 U.D.. Visitation Sunday from 3-8 p.m. with Masonic Service at 6:30 p.m. Funeral Monday 10:00 a.m. at the Oehler Funeral Home 2099 Miner Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016. Interment will follow at Acacia Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials made to Shriners Hospitals for Children-Chicago, 2211 N. Oak Park Ave. Chicago, IL 60707 would be greatly appreciated by the family. For information please call 1-847-823-4135 or visit [www.oehlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.oehlerfuneralhome.com)  
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## Soch, Rita

Rita Soch beloved wife of the late Raymond Soch passed away on July 10, 2018 at the age of 94. Loving mother of Christine, Linda (John), Deborah (Roy, deceased), Teresa (Gene) and John (Kelley). Fond Grandmother of Katelyn, Muffy (Albert), Mike, Kim (Matt), Becca, Kyle, Jackie, Bryan and Rachel. Great Grandmother of Ellie, Xander, Javan and Luke. Services will be held Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 10:45 at St. Michael's Church in Orland Park.  
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## Susman, Robert M

We mourn the passing of Robert Matthew Susman, aged 85, in his home on June 30, 2018. Robert was born on June 5, 1933, in Waukegan, IL. He was preceded in death by his father, Matthew Susman, his mother, Angeline (nee Celesnik) Susman, his brother Donald Susman, and two nephews, William Deacon and Robert Faber. Robert Susman was a loving father to four children, Barbara Ann, Robert Michael, Richard Matthew and James William Susman. He was also a loving grandfather to 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. He is survived by his former wife, Gwendolyn (Susman) Mason, his sister Margaret Faber, and brother-in-law, Nicholas Faber, and 3 nephews and 2 nieces. Robert worked for his father Matthew and the family business, Susman Linoleum & Rug, Co., in Waukegan and Gurnee, Illinois, since his childhood and throughout his life (except during his two years of honorable military service, serving in the U.S. Army in Germany). In his later years he became the store's sole proprietor, working well into his 80's in the work to which he was devoted, sharing his passion and gifts throughout the community. Family and Friends may Visit on Friday, July 13, 2018 from 5:00PM – 8:00PM at **Gurnee Salata Funeral Home**, 4190 Old Grand Ave, Gurnee. A second visitation will take place at St. Dismas Catholic Church, 2600 Sunset, Waukegan Saturday, July 14, 2018 from 9:00AM – 10:00AM. At 10:00AM a Mass of Christian Burial will be presided over by Fr. Pat Rugen. Interment will be at Ascension Cemetery, Libertyville, following Mass. In lieu of flowers, donations in Robert's memory would be appreciated to: Victory Lakes Lindenhurst, <https://www.franciscan-ministries.org/victory-lakes/> or to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, <https://www.mercyhome.org/>.

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## Woods, Eileen Duignan

Eileen Duignan Woods, age 79, passed away July 8, 2018 at Rockville MD. Beloved wife of the late Donald Lee Woods; daughter of the late Arthur A. and Elizabeth F. (nee Kelly) Duignan; also preceded in death by her siblings. Loving aunt of nieces, nephews and a cousin. Funeral Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at St. John Fisher Church, 103rd & Fairfield where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. James J. McPhee Funeral Director.



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Croats in Chicago swelling with pride: ‘It’s an underdog team and an underdog community’

Fans at the Croatian Cultural Center in Rogers Park erupt Wednesday after the go-ahead goal in extra time against England. Croatia takes on France in Sunday’s final. Story, [Page 5](#)

Can’t wait for 2022

U.S. has to act before next World Cup to avoid, atone for misery of missing this one

After all the athletic brilliance, tantalizing drama and viral fan celebration videos the World Cup has gifted us over the last month, the United States’ greatest moment of the tournament awaits in Sunday’s final between France and Croatia.

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Nine months after the men’s national team so embarrassingly failed to qualify, the end of the tournament also marks the end of our mourning.

At last, we can look to the next cycle clearly, which is quite a relief. Watching this World Cup without the Yanks has stunk as much as we feared it would.

On Oct. 10, when the U.S. threw away its bid by losing to

lowly Trinidad and Tobago, defender Omar Gonzalez, who was responsible for an own goal in the defeat, said: “We let down an entire nation today.”

That was true amid the tears that night, and it was reinforced repeatedly over the last month as this fantastic tournament played out with the U.S. as bystanders.

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**THIRD PLACE**  
Games on FOX-32  
■ Belgium vs. England  
9 a.m. Saturday



**FINAL**  
■ France vs. Croatia  
10 a.m. Sunday

CUBS

Brewers’ slingshot aimed right at Cubs

Underdog mentality sustains Crew in fight to dominate NL Central



**PAUL SULLIVAN**  
On baseball

“We Believe in Jesus,” the new Brewers motto, is a far cry from “Try Not to Suck,” the old Cubs mantra from their championship season.

But the clever campaign, a collaborative effort by the marketing department to put first baseman Jesus Aguilar into the All-Star Game via the National League’s Final Five vote, took off. And “We Believe” T-shirts are sure to become popular tailgate-wear among Milwaukee’s finest cheeseheads.

As has become their habit, the

**UP NEXT**  
**Cubs** (Chatwood 3-5, 5.01) at **Padres** (Richard 7-8, 4.50) 9:10 p.m. Friday, NBCSCH

**MORE COVERAGE**  
After a slower start to his career, Javiez Baez is gaining acclaim to rival Kris Bryant’s. [Page 3](#)

Brewers played up their small-market status to portray Aguilar as the uber-underdog. It’s that “us-against-the-world” mentality we in Chicago have come to know well over the last two years.

“Jesus is up against players from some of baseball’s largest markets,” manager Craig Counsell proclaimed in the Brewers marketing campaign. “But history is on our side.”

Aguilar not only won by a landslide, he also earned the top seed in the Home Run Derby, putting him in the spotlight for both prime-time events of next week’s All-Star Game festivities.

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**INSIDE CHICAGO SPORTS**  
Another major in Williams’ sights

Ten months after having her first child, Serena Williams advances to her 10th Wimbledon singles final, eyeing an eighth title at the All England Club and 24th major crown. [Back Page](#)

**His harshest critic**

Rookie guard Chandler Hutchison is serious about his new job with the Bulls: “I have to be better.” [Page 6](#)

BLACKHAWKS

Hossa’s contract gone — but so is Hinostroza

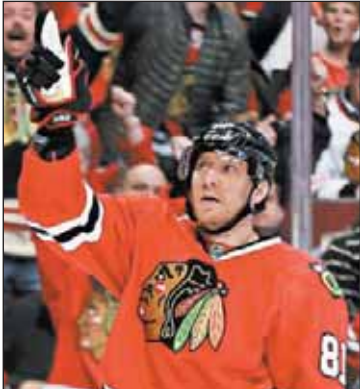
Oesterle also included in salary-dump trade as Kruger comes back

**BY JOE KNOWLES**  
Chicago Tribune

The Blackhawks freed themselves from the remaining three years of Marian Hossa’s contract, but they paid a price to do it.

The Hawks traded Hossa — or, more accurately, his \$5.3 million salary-cap hit — to the Coyotes on Thursday in a multiplayer deal that also cost them forward Vinnie Hinostroza, defenseman Jordan Oesterle and a 2019 third-round pick. In return, the Hawks reacquired center Marcus Kruger along with two other forwards, MacKenzie Entwistle and Jordan Maletta, defenseman Andrew Campbell and a 2019 fifth-round pick.

Hossa, who missed the entire 2017-18 season with a serious skin condition and is not expected to play again, was an integral part of three Stanley Cup champions. His signing in the summer of 2009



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Marian Hossa was a three-time Cup winner for the Hawks, but his contract became an albatross.

signaled a change in direction for a franchise that had not won a title since 1961. But the 12-year deal carried a \$5.3 million annual salary-cap figure that became a conspicuous burden for the Blackhawks when Hossa was no longer able to play.

“Marian’s long-term contributions to the club will never be

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# TOP OF THE SECOND

COMMENTARY

## McCoy becomes NFL's latest legal distraction

BY BOB FORD | Philadelphia Inquirer

Oh, and it was going to be a so-quiet beginning to the great spectacle that is an NFL season when training camps open this month.

The league, which dedicated itself to minimizing the off-field and sideline distractions that annoyed both fans and the sponsors that pay the bills, had done just about everything it could.

It successfully brokered a \$97 million deal with protesting players to fund community projects if they stopped protesting, then instituted a new policy that allowed persisting protests but only if unseen by the public. Even the small suspensions handed out to the Buccaneers' Jameis Winston and the Eagles' Nigel Bradham were brief, one-day stories, and neither player indicated he would challenge the commissioner's ruling.

Yeah, it was all going pretty well until this week, when the grisly picture surfaced of LeSean McCoy's ex-girlfriend, who looked as if she had been pummeled within an inch of her life. In fact, she was pistol-whipped by an intruder under circumstances that appear to implicate some involvement by McCoy. That might not be the case, which the legal process will attempt to determine, but the investigating officers listed four felonies, including aggravated assault and aggravated battery.

Those aren't the sort of transgressions that result in fines or community service. People go to jail for those.

The NFL said it is monitoring the situation, which is no surprise. The league is also, no doubt, weighing the question of whether McCoy will be a bigger distraction if he plays or if he is not allowed to play while this process moves forward.

Roger Goodell has shown a readiness to discipline players well ahead of any legal verdict, which is a dicey approach to take, but he's a good-of-the-game kind of guy and nobody has smacked him with the Constitution yet. This case, however, could be different.

As we've learned, and as the NFL confirmed with its final protest policy, all that

matters in the court of public opinion is what people can see. Ray Rice would be a player in the league today if that elevator video didn't exist, regardless of anything else. Adrian Peterson is employed because there were no photographs of him in the act of beating children with switches.

That's just the way it is, and someone is going to have to answer for the picture of Delicia Cordon. If it doesn't turn out to be McCoy, that would be a surprise.

There is nothing alleged about her injuries; what is alleged is whether McCoy had anything to do with them. He was in Miami when the attack took place at his house in Milton, Ga., so his involvement would have to be

secondhand, which is the same in the eyes of the law. An intruder went into the house late at night and demanded specific pieces of jewelry that McCoy had given to Cordon, specific pieces of jewelry that McCoy reportedly had previously demanded be returned.

How could a random intruder ask for exactly that? It's a good question, and the only current answer can be found in that court of public opinion. The answer, of course, is that it wasn't a random intruder.

There are some odd tangents to this story that don't really matter.

Cordon was living in McCoy's house, and he had begun proceedings to evict her. Her cousin was living there too, and she's the one who apparently posted the hospital photo before later deleting it. And, naturally, there are lawyers all over the place on both sides now, including McCoy's, who is the guy who got the murder charge dismissed against Ray Lewis. That probably comes in handy on the resume.

None of it changes the fact that Cordon was the victim of a violent crime and all of the NFL's fans and sponsors have seen the picture and, once again, it is bad for business.

McCoy's personal history doesn't help him here. Go down the list — from the woman tossed to the side of the road from the party bus; to the invitation-only party for women who had to send in pictures of themselves; to the 20-cent tip on the \$60



JOHN SALANGSANG/INVISION FOR NFL

Authorities are trying to find out if the Bills' LeSean McCoy had any involvement in the beating of ex-girlfriend Delicia Cordon.

food bill after he and his buddies had been making derogatory comments about the waitresses; to the profane Twitter spat with the mother of his child; to the brawl in the Philly nightclub — and it doesn't paint an NFL Man of the Year portrait. It's hard to argue McCoy is anything but a dirtbag, particularly when it comes to women.

That doesn't make him guilty in this case, however. In fact, McCoy hasn't been charged with anything, which would probably require finding the actual perpetrator and having him flip. That's a long way from where this stands.

What isn't a long way away is the opening of training camp. The Bills begin theirs July 25. It can be predicted that McCoy will be a distraction if he is there.

Goodell has some thinking to do about this one. Eventually, he'll have to speak. The photograph already has.

PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

## Stance on T.O.: Don't mention it



Terrell Owens spurned the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Now the Hall is returning the favor.

Owens — who last month announced he will not attend the enshrinement ceremony in Canton, Ohio, after getting elected for the Class of 2018 in his third year of eligibility — will not be introduced at the Gold Jacket ceremony on Friday, Aug. 3, nor be announced the following night at the induction ceremony, according to the Talk of Fame Network.

"The focus is on the guys who are there," Hall of Fame executive director Joe Horrigan told the website.

Owens joins Brian Urlacher, Ray Lewis, Randy Moss, Brian Dawkins, Bobby Beathard, Jerry Kramer and Robert Brazile in this year's class. After the group was announced in early June, Owens responded with a statement declining his invitation to attend the induction ceremony.

Earlier this month, Owens revealed on Twitter he will be making his Hall of Fame speech that day at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, his alma mater. The speech starts at 3:17 p.m., preceding the ceremony in Canton.

"After giving it much thought, I have realized just how much I want to celebrate what will inevitably be the best weekend of my life at a place that means so much to me," Owens wrote in the Twitter statement. "I'm proud to be a Moc, and I'm honored to share this experience with my family, friends, teammates and fans at the place ... where I truly began to find myself as an athlete."

Owens' gold jacket will be mailed to him first thing that morning, according to the Talk of Fame Network. The site added that Owens won't be "absent altogether on Hall of Fame weekend. When the entire class is the subject, his name will be included ... just as his image will be included on all depictions of the Class of 2018."

Owens finished his 15-year NFL career with 15,934 receiving yards, second all time behind Jerry Rice.

— New York Daily News

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CUBS



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The growth of Cubs second baseman Javier Baez, left, has put him on par with third baseman Kris Bryant.

# Equal footing

Before your very eyes, Baez blossoms into a star on Bryant’s level

SAN DIEGO — The friendly debate started in 2014, with raw talent Javier Baez hitting majestic home runs and executing dazzling defensive plays while the decorated and steady Kris Bryant displayed his array of tools that delighted new-age evaluators.



MARK GONZALES  
On the Cubs

At that time, Baseball America ranked Baez the game’s fifth-best prospect, while Bryant — less than a year removed from winning the National College Player of the Year Award — was ranked eighth before winning Rookie of the Year and Most Valuable Player honors in successive seasons. Now as Cubs fans fret over the starting pitchers’ lack of consistency and droughts of clutch hitting and power, they can take comfort that Baez’s overall game finally is polished to the point that he has earned at least equal marquee billing with the consistent Bryant.

“It gets interesting the way Javy is starting to figure things out, where KB figured out some of it in advance of Javy,” manager Joe Maddon said. “It’s probably based on where they came from, and what they endured coming up.”

As Baez has achieved All-Star status, the criticisms that once dropped him well below Bryant as recently as the start of last season have been quieted to the point where some of his occasional flaws are accepted.

“You never coach instincts out of a player,” Maddon said. “It’s a mortal sin to do anything like that.”

The criticism of Baez after he struck out 95 times in 213 at-bats during his first major-league stint in 2014 seems like a distant memory.

This season, he and Albert

Almora Jr. carried the offense during a chilly April, and Baez filled in seamlessly as the No. 3 hitter recently while Bryant was recovering from a left shoulder injury.

Baez’s .323 on-base percentage is 21 points below the team average, but he has shown better plate discipline to aid his .289 batting average.

And over the last 11 months, Baez has achieved a balance of making routine plays with more consistency while continuing to display his dazzling talent to complete virtually impossible plays.

Baez’s defensive dependability has reached a zenith five years after he committed 44 errors at Class-A Daytona and Double-A Tennessee. He solidified that in August when he replaced injured Addison Russell at shortstop and played 26 consecutive errorless games in helping the Cubs seize the National League Central crown.

The quick tags and diving stops that cause fans to gasp in awe now complement the ease with which he makes an off-balance throw while crossing second base, as he did Wednesday in completing a double play.

Meanwhile, the instant greatness Bryant achieved raised expectations so high that his power decline and occasional fielding miscues mask the fact he remains an agile 6-foot-5 defender who can play the outfield as well as every infield position if needed.

“I never understood (the height issue),” Maddon said. “I heard it too. My concern was with his feet and the pat (of the glove before throwing). They’re inter-related. If he’s taking too many steps with his feet, you have to pat your glove to catch up with your

**CUBS AT PADRES**  
*All games on WSCR-AM 670.*  
**Friday:** 9:10 p.m., NBCSCH. RH Tyler Chatwood (3-5, 5.01) vs. LH Clayton Richard (7-8, 4.50).  
**Saturday:** 9:10 p.m., ABC-7. RH Kyle Hendricks (5-8, 3.93) vs. RH Luis Perdomo (1-3, 7.09).  
**Sunday:** 3:10 p.m., WGN-9. LH Jon Lester (11-2, 2.45) vs. LH Eric Lauer (5-5, 4.40).

feet to catch up with your throw. His feet have gotten better, and his arm stroke is compact and accurate. Height never has been a concern for me.”

Despite his power dip and modest .279 batting average, Bryant remains a darling among the metrics crowd, which thought he should have finished higher than seventh in the 2017 NL MVP voting because of his 6.2 WAR and because many of his offensive numbers were similar to 2016, when he won the award.

The expectation is that Bryant will return to form — as he showed Wednesday with a home run in his third at-bat after missing 16 games — and pick up the slack for Anthony Rizzo, who is mired in an 0-for-19 slump.

So as the Cubs continue their pursuit of the Brewers, their fans can enjoy a balanced combination of ability and entertainment from their talented twosome.

“Javy definitely is out of the past,” Maddon said. “He appeals to the past and the present. He appeals to the past based on his baseball acumen and appeals to the present based on his allure, charisma and the attractiveness he has to today’s fan.

“KB is a classic. He could have played for all ages. He could have played in 1910 or 1970 or 2018. He appeals to all generations.”

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WHITE SOX

# Suspension doesn’t catch Sox napping

Smith, Narvaez more than make up for loss of Castillo behind plate

By PHIL ROGERS  
Chicago Tribune

Who needs Wellington Castillo, anyway?

The White Sox were left with a void when their veteran catcher was suspended for a positive test for a performance-enhancing drug but are getting strong play behind the plate from Kevan Smith and Omar Narvaez.

“It has been really good,” general manager Rick Hahn said of the catcher’s spot.

Castillo’s 80-game suspension provided one of the low points of a season that has had few high points. Yet the Sox have generated a .737 OPS from their catchers, which ranks behind only the Yankees and the Rays among American League teams. They were eighth last season, when their catchers were Narvaez, Smith and Geovany Soto, and 12th in 2016, with Dioner Navarro and Alex Avila as the primary catchers.

Castillo was signed to a two-year, \$15 million contract with a third-year option as a probable upgrade. He had started 30 of 46 games before he was suspended, and Narvaez was hitting .180 with no homers and only one RBI when he played.

**ROYALS AT WHITE SOX**  
*All games on WGN-AM 720.*  
**Friday:** 7:10 p.m., WGN-9. RH Brad Keller (2-3, 2.52) vs. RH James Shields (3-10, 4.53).  
**Saturday:** 1:10 p.m., NBCSCH. LH Danny Duffy (4-8, 4.89) vs. RH Reynaldo Lopez (4-6, 3.77).  
**Sunday:** 1:10 p.m., NBCSCH. TBA vs. RH Lucas Giolito (5-8, 6.59).

singles that contributed to two of the three rallies in the 4-0 victory, but all reporters wanted to talk about was Rodon’s effectiveness.

“That’s all right with me,” said Narvaez, 26, whom the Sox selected in the minor-league portion of the Rule 5 draft in 2013. “I’d rather talk about Carlos than myself.”

Castillo is eligible to rejoin the White Sox on Aug. 23 after a 15-game rehabilitation assignment in the minor leagues. The Sox could look to trade him, but a deal may have to wait until the offseason, as players receiving PED suspensions are ineligible for the postseason.

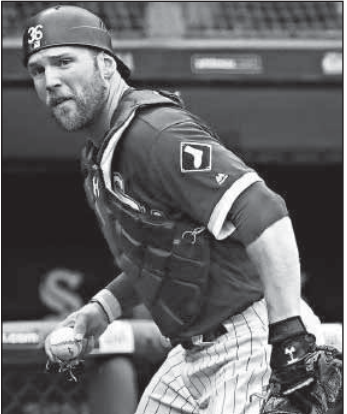
Narvaez and Smith are playing so well that Castillo could be the odd catcher out.

“We’ll figure that one out,” Hahn said. “We’ve had a lot of surprises over the first three months, and I’m not going to project out what our roster looks like in a month. We’ll see.

“They both have proven (they) belong at the big-league level, and we’ll adjust ourselves accordingly.”

**Extra innings:** Bo Jackson, Jack McDowell and Hall of Famers Tim Lincecum and Frank Thomas are among a large group of players and coaches from the 1993 AL West champion White Sox scheduled to attend Saturday’s reunion. ... Hahn said he is excited that right-hander Dylan Cease and center fielder Luis Alexander Basabe will participate in Sunday’s Futures Game at Nationals Park. They were seen as secondary pieces in the Jose Quintana and Chris Sale trades, respectively, but were critical to those deals, he said. “It’s nice to see guys who might not be at the top of minds for people when they think of our system being recognized in that way,” Hahn said. ... Matt Davidson has hit seven home runs in seven games against the Royals this season, including three on opening day. He’s batting .462 vs. the Royals and .192 against everyone else.

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Catchers Kevan Smith, left, and Omar Narvaez have boosted the White Sox with encouraging offensive and defensive production.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

# Brewers a small-market team, but they’re not acting like one

Sullivan, from Page 1

It’s a made-for-MLB special. Claimed off waivers from the Indians a couple of weeks before the start of spring training in 2017, Aguilar has become one of baseball’s best stories of the first half.

And he gives Milwaukee fans reason to believe the Brewers will hang with the Cubs in the race for the National League Central — and perhaps even win.

Aguilar was tied for the NL lead in home runs with 23 while ranking third in the majors in RBIs (67) and fourth in OPS (1.013). He was given 7-2 odds by Bovada.lv to win the derby (second to hometown favorite Bryce Harper’s 11-4) in a field that does not include Aaron Judge, Mike Trout, Jose Ramirez or Manny Machado, all of whom have more homers and bigger reputations.

But what Aguilar has done can’t be dismissed as a fluke. He’s carrying a lineup that’s middle of the pack in the majors and currently includes journeyman players at second (Brad Miller), shortstop (Tyler Saladino) and catcher (Erik Kratz). The rotation led by Junior Guerra, Chase Anderson and Jhoulys Chacin is also less than feared, leaving the bullpen and their defense as the team’s



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

All-Star first baseman Jesus Aguilar has been an unexpected standout as the Brewers hold an advantage over the Cubs in the NL Central.

biggest strengths.

Of course, they could vastly improve the team with the addition of Machado, though The Athletic’s Ken Rosenthal reported the Brewers are unwilling to include right-hander Corbin Burnes in a deal, and the Orioles expect to get what they want, even for a rental.

It’s hard to imagine the Brewers beating out the Yankees or Dodgers for Machado, though it’s also difficult to believe they have the best record in the National League going into the final week-

end before the All-Star Game.

Credit general manager David Stearns, who made two of the boldest moves of the offseason, signing Lorenzo Cain and acquiring Christian Yelich, both of whom will join Aguilar and reliever Josh Hader as NL All-Stars.

It’s not easy competing in the same division as the haughty Cubs, an organization that proclaimed a couple of years ago it would have a “wheelbarrow with money” to spend on players.

As Stearns stated last summer: “We all understand the dynamics

of the market we’re in, and we all understand the dynamic of the market the Cubs are in.”

It makes sense for the Brewers to portray the Cubs as Goliath to their David, and they do enjoy poking the bear.

In February the organization held a presale of tickets to Cubs-Brewers games for Wisconsin residents only, hoping to take back Miller Park from roving hordes of road-tripping Cubs fans. Last year they complained in the spring about the Cubs postponing a game at Wrigley Field without a drop of rain falling, and then again in September when the Cubs made a late time change to move a game from afternoon to night so the players could get more rest.

To his credit, Counsell didn’t blame the Cubs for making the switch, saying, “Sleep is a bipartisan issue, man.”

Truer words have never been spoken.

Still, the onus will be on the Brewers to prove they can avoid a repeat of last summer. As you may recall, the Cubs trailed Milwaukee by 5½ games on July 15 before the Brewers lost eight of 10 to fall out of first for good. They swept the Cubs at Wrigley in early September to pull back

within two games but lost starter Jimmy Nelson to a strained right rotator cuff and partly torn labrum when he injured himself sliding back into first base.

Though the Brewers still had a shot in late September, the Cubs took three of four at Miller Park in a memorable series to seal it. Order was restored.

Most Cubs fans expect a rerun. The Cubs lineup is just too deep, and they’ve been a consistently good second-half team since Joe Maddon took over in 2015.

Sure, the Brewers are a nice little team, but they just don’t have the depth or the rotation to beat the Cubs in a marathon. They also start the second half with 13 straight games against the Dodgers, Nationals and Giants, no easy task.

But the Brewers not only believe in Aguilar, they believe in themselves. And Stearns has shown he’s ready to do whatever it takes to get them into the playoffs, even without a wheelbarrow full of cash to spend.

If we’ve learned anything about the Brew Crew in the last two seasons, it’s this:

Don’t sleep on this bunch.

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BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	W	L	ERA	REC	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP
<b>Cubs</b>	Chatwood (R)	3-5	4.90	8-8	0-0	15.2 8.62
<b>SD</b>	Richard (L)	7:10p	7-8	4.50	10-9	0-2 18.0 6.00
<b>Mil</b>	Guerra (R)	6-5	2.79	10-7	3-0	17.0 2.65
<b>Pit</b>	Kingham (R)	6:05p	3-4	4.26	3-5	1-2 15.1 4.70
<b>Phi</b>	Arrieta (R)	6-6	3.47	8-9	1-1	17.0 3.71
<b>Chi</b>	Chen (L)	6:10p	2-6	6.14	6-8	0-2 16.1 4.41
<b>Was</b>	Roark (R)	3-11	4.76	5-13	0-3	17.0 7.41
<b>NYM</b>	Syndergaard (R)	6:10p	4-1	3.06	7-4	2-0 18.0 3.00
<b>Ari</b>	Godley (R)	10-6	4.80	11-7	2-1	15.0 6.00
<b>Atl</b>	Sanchez (R)	6:35p	4-2	2.72	7-3	1-1 17.1 3.12
<b>Cin</b>	Harvey (R)	4-5	4.80	8-7	2-0	18.0 1.50
<b>StL</b>	Martinez (R)	7:15p	6-4	3.05	9-6	3-0 19.0 2.37
<b>AMERICAN LEAGUE</b>	<b>2018 TEAM</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>LAST 3 STARTS</b>
<b>TEAM PITCHER</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>IP</b>
<b>KC</b>	Keller (R)	2-3	2.52	2-5	1-1	19.2 2.29
<b>SOX</b>	Shields (R)	7:10p	3-10	4.53	6-13	1-1 19.1 4.19
<b>Tex</b>	Hamels (L)	4-8	4.28	6-12	0-2	10.2 11.81
<b>Bal</b>	Cobb (R)	6:05p	2-11	6.57	3-13	0-2 16.1 6.61
<b>NYG</b>	German (R)	2-4	5.06	7-4	0-0	13.1 6.75
<b>Cle</b>	Bieber (R)	6:10p	4-1	3.04	5-1	2-1 18.0 4.50
<b>Tor</b>	Borucki (L)	0-1	2.25	0-3	0-1	20.0 2.25
<b>Bos</b>	Porello (R)	6:10p	11-3	3.58	13-6	2-0 18.2 4.34
<b>Det</b>	Fiers (R)	6-5	3.65	11-6	2-0	19.0 1.29
<b>Hou</b>	Keuchel (L)	7:10p	6-8	3.95	10-9	2-0 19.1 4.19
<b>TB</b>	Evoldi (R)	3-3	3.35	3-5	2-0	19.0 0.95
<b>MIn</b>	Odorizzi (R)	7:10p	4-6	4.28	8-11	1-1 17.0 1.06
<b>INTERLEAGUE</b>	<b>2018 TEAM</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>LAST 3 STARTS</b>
<b>TEAM PITCHER</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>REC</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>IP</b>
<b>Sea</b>	Bergman (R)	0-0	0.00	0-1	0-0	7.0 0.00
<b>Col</b>	Senzatela (R)	7:40p	3-2	5.34	1-1	1-1 13.0 4.15
<b>LAA</b>	(AL) Pena (R)	1-0	3.63	3-1	1-0	15.2 2.87
<b>LAD</b>	(NL) Buehler (R)	9:10p	4-2	3.44	6-3	2-0 17.1 3.12
<b>Oak</b>	Jackson (R)	1-0	2.45	3-0	1-0	18.1 2.45
<b>SF</b>	Bumgarner (L)	9:15p	2-3	3.09	3-4	1-1 18.1 2.95

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**  
Oakland 6, HOUSTON 4  
COLORADO 5, Arizona 1  
Philadelphia 5, BALTIMORE 4  
Washington 5, N.Y. METS 4  
PITTSBURGH 6, Milwaukee 3  
N.Y. Yankees 7, CLEVELAND 4  
BOSTON 6, Toronto 4  
MINNESOTA 5, Tampa Bay 1  
L.A. ANGELS 11, Seattle 2  
L.A. Dodgers 3, SAN DIEGO 2

**SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE**  
Kansas City at White Sox, 1:10  
Cubs at San Diego, 9:10  
G1: Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 11:35  
G2: Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, late  
Tampa Bay at San Diego, 12:05  
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 3:10  
Detroit at Houston, 3:10  
Philadelphia at Miami, 3:10  
Arizona at Atlanta, 3:10  
Washington at N.Y. Mets, 3:10  
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 6:15

NL LEADERS	G	AB	R	H	BA
<b>BATTING</b>					
Gennett, CIN	89	340	58	111	.326
Markakis, ATL	91	360	55	116	.322
Almona, CHI	85	271	47	86	.317
Kemp, LA	89	285	42	90	.316
LFreeman, ATL	91	351	57	110	.313
Suarez, CIN	76	285	47	89	.312
Arenado, COL	87	331	61	103	.311
Aguilar, MIL	80	261	48	80	.307
Dickerson, PIT	83	311	37	95	.305
Martinez, ST	85	312	35	94	.301

HOME RUNS		DOUBLES		HOME RUNS		Castellanos, DET	
Aguilar, MIL	24	Albies, ATL	29	Martinez, BOS	28	Linder, CLE	112
Arenado, COL	23	Markakis, ATL	29	Martinez, BOS	28	Polyniewicz, TOR	66
Harper, WAS	23	Capenter, STL	27	Judge, NY	25	Escobar, MIN	35
Goldschmidt, ARI	21	Nola, PHI	26	Linder, CLE	25	Bregman, HO	30
Muney, LA	21	TRIPLES	26	Trout, LA	24	Castellanos, DET	29
Albies, ATL	20	KMarte, ARI	8	Albies, ATL	23	Merrifield, CHC	29
Suarez, CIN	19	Clayton, LA	8	Machado, BAL	23	Merrifield, CHC	29
<b>HR</b>				Crz, SEA	22	<b>TRIPLES</b>	
Albies, ATL	73	MTaylor, WAS	24	Stanton, NY	22	Sanchez, TOR	6
Blackmon, COL	70	Incarte, ATL	23	Linder, CLE	21	<b>HR</b>	
Hernandez, PHI	63	SMarte, PIT	23	<b>RUNS</b>		<b>STOLEN BASES</b>	
<b>PITCHING</b>				Betts, BOS	76	Gordon, SEA	22
Goldschmidt, ARI	61	Nola, PHI	12-2	deGrom, NY	76	Anderson, CHC	21
<b>RBI</b>				<b>HITS</b>		<b>STOLEN BASES</b>	
Suarez, CIN	69	ERA	12-5	Benintendi, BOS	68	Gordon, SEA	22
Aguilar, MIL	68	deGrom, NY	1.68	Martinez, BOS	68	Severino, NY	14-2
Arenado, COL	66	Stripling, LA	2.08	<b>RBI</b>		Kneib, TB	12-5
Baez, CHC	66	Nola, PHI	2.27	Martinez, BOS	79	Stanton, HO	11-2
Story, COL	63	Scherzer, WAS	2.41	Ramirez, SEA	67	<b>HR</b>	
Freeman, ATL	60	Lester, CHC	2.46	Haniger, SEA	66	Verlander, HO	2-20
Kemp, LA	60	<b>STRIKEOUTS</b>		Machado, BAL	64	Sale, BOS	2-23
Markakis, ATL	60	deGrom, NY	1.82	Polyniewicz, ATL	63	Polyniewicz, ATL	2-20
<b>HITS</b>				Encarnacion, CLE	63	Bauer, CLE	2-30
Markakis, ATL	116	Corbin, ARI	146	<b>HITS</b>		<b>STRIKEOUTS</b>	
Albies, ATL	116	Polyniewicz, ATL	126	Altuve, HO	126	Sale, BOS	188
Gennett, CIN	111	Foltynewicz, ATL	110	Polyniewicz, ATL	117	Polyniewicz, ATL	110
Castro, MIA	110	Gray, COL	119	Machado, BAL	113	Bauer, CLE	168
Freeman, ATL	110	Gray, COL	119	Martinez, BOS	113	Polyniewicz, ATL	110
		through Thursday				through Thursday	

ROCKIES 5, DIAMONDBACKS 1							PHILLIES 5, ORIOLES 4								
ARIZONA	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG		
Jay If	4	1	0	0	0	.281	Hernandez 2b	4	1	3	0	0	.269		
Ahmed ss	4	0	0	1	0	.229	Hoskins dh	5	0	1	0	3	.254		
Goldschmidt 1b	4	0	2	0	1	.284	Herrera cf	5	0	1	0	0	.277		
Pollock rf	4	0	1	0	0	.287	Sanchez 3b	5	0	1	0	0	.265		
Souza Jr. rf	4	0	0	2	0	.176	Williams lf	5	0	1	1	0	.252		
Marte 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.241	Francso 3b	5	0	1	0	0	.272		
J.Murphy c	4	0	0	0	2	.236	Kingery ss	4	1	3	0	0	.233		
Owings 3b	3	0	1	0	1	.193	Alfonso lf	3	0	0	0	0	.153		
Ray p	1	0	0	0	1	.000	Alfaro c	4	2	3	3	0	.259		
Descalso ph	1	0	0	0	0	.259	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>			
Laubach ph	1	0	0	0	0	.234	BALTIMORE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>		Beckham 3b	4	1	1	0	0	.211		
COLORADO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	Schoop 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.275		
LeMahieu 2b	4	0	2	1	0	.277	Wright 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.246		
Blackmon cf	4	0	0	0	1	.280	Jones cf	4	0	0	0	1	.224		
Arenado 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.311	Davis dh	4	0	0	0	3	.156		
Story ss	3	1	1	2	.389	Rumbo rf	4	0	0	0	0	.235			
Desmond 1b	3	1	1	0	1	.263	Sisco c	4	0	1	0	3	.195		
Gonzalez rf	3	1	1	1	.275	Mancini 1b	4	1	1	2	2	.200			
Iannetta c	3	1	1	1	.235	Peterson lf	2	1	1	1	0	.197			
Cuevas lf	1	0	0	0	0	.254	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>			
Parra ph-if	2	0	0	0	0	.292	PHILADELPHIA	002	20	1	0	5	14	2	0
Freeland p	2	0	0	0	1	.083	Baltimore	000	001	30x	—	—	4	7	2
Tapia ph	1	0	1	0	0	.276	E: Santana (6), Kingery (9), Beckham (6),								
T.Murphy ph	1	0	0	0	0	.303									
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>										

**2B:** Ahmed (19), Souza Jr. (3), Arenado (20), Desmond (11). **3B:** Souza Jr. (1). **HR:** Story (18), off Delgado. **RBI:** Pollock (38), LeMahieu (34), Story (63), Gonzalez (38), Parra (40), Tapia (1). **SB:** Goldschmidt (3), Owings (7), LeMahieu (5), Desmond (10). **SF:** LeMahieu. **S:** Ray. **Runners left in scoring position:** Arizona (3), Pollock, Marte, J.Murphy, Ray (2). **COLORADO** (3 Story, Desmond, Freeland). **ARIZONA** IP H R ER BB SO ERA  
Ray, L 3-2 5/5 5 2 2 3 8 5.03  
Baez, BS, 1-1 0 1 0 0 0 2.30  
Chafin 1/2 1 0 0 0 0 1.50  
Delgado 1 2 2 1 0 0 4.59  
Koch 1 0 0 0 0 0 4.33

**\* \* \* TEMP TAP \* \***  
**COLORADO** IP H R ER BB SO ERA  
Freeland 5/5 6 1 1 1 1 4 3.11  
Oberg, W, 3-0 3/2 0 0 0 0 1 5.20  
Rusin, H, 4 0 0 0 0 0 3.95  
Ottavino, H, 18 1 1/4 0 0 1 1 1.69  
Davis 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 3.93  
**HBP:** Freeland (Jay), Ray (Gonzalez), Pinnetta (3). **Umpires:** H, Mike White; 1B, Tim Timmons; 2B, Adam Hamari; 3B,

ANGELS 11, MARINERS 2							CUBS STATISTICS												
SEATTLE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG	BATTERS	AVG	OBA	AB	R	H							
Gordon 2b	5	1	2	0	0	.285	Almora	.317	.355	241	47	86							
Segura ss	3	1	0	0	0	.326	Zobrist	.292	.387	240	47	86							
Gamel rf	1	0	0	0	0	.277	Raez	.323	.329	57	10	20							
Haniger rf	3	3	0	0	0	.272	Heyward	.284	.364	264	43	75							
Beckham ss	1	0	0	0	0	.277	Bryant	.299	.384	269	41	75							
Cruz dh	3	0	1	0	1	.266	Contreras	.279	.367	287	42	78							
Schwarz 3b	4	0	1	1	2	.356	Russell	.278	.381	42	8	20							
Healy 1b	4	0	1	0	0	.241	Stella	.273	.339	102	12	30							
Span lf	3	1	0	0	0	.270	Caratini	.275	.333	80	10	17							
Heredia cf	3	2	1	0	0	.232	Happ	.252	.376	226	35	57							
Freitas c	4	0	0	0	1	.205	Schwabner	.247	.374	259	43	84							
TOTALS	34	2	9	2	7		Rizzo	.239	.333	305	33	67							
LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H <td>BI<td>SO<td>AVG</td><td>TOTALS</td><td>264</td><td>344</td><td>3167</td><td>453</td><td>837</td></td></td>	BI <td>SO<td>AVG</td><td>TOTALS</td><td>264</td><td>344</td><td>3167</td><td>453</td><td>837</td></td>	SO <td>AVG</td> <td>TOTALS</td> <td>264</td> <td>344</td> <td>3167</td> <td>453</td> <td>837</td>	AVG	TOTALS	264	344	3167	453	837							
Fletcher 3b	5	1	2	1	1	.273	BATTERS	29	18	4	28	17	50						
Simmons ss	4	2	1	0	0	.311	Almora	19	1	6	35	37	85						
Trout cf	3	3	1	0	0	.314	Zobrist	12	1	6	35	37	85						
Upton lf	4	1	2	3	2	.249	Raez	13	8	6	35	67	145						
Hermosillo lf	1	1	1	0	0	.151	Heyward	15	3	6	39	25	33						
Pujols dh	4	2	3	3	0	.254	Bryant	20	3	10	38	36	68						
Kinsler 2b	5	1	0	0	0	.245	Contreras	19	5	7	34	33	67						
Marte 1b	1	0	0	0	0	.218	Russell	18	5	3	32	30	64						
Valbuena ph-1b	4	0	0	0	1	.208	Stella	4	0	0	6	19	49						
Maldonado c	4	0	1	0	0	.241	Caratini	5	0	0	6	6	19						
Calhoun rf	3	0	1	1	1	.180	Happ	11	1	10	23	44	98						
TOTALS	37	11	15	11	5		Schwabner	10	1	17	39	52	85						
Seattle	100	000	001	—	2 9 0		Rizzo	13	12	59	34	44	101						
Los Angeles	310	014	02x	—	11 15 1		TOTALS	173	2	97	435	354	768						
2B: Heredia (10), HR: Fletcher (1), off Paxton; Pujols (15), off Paxton; Upton (18), off Rumbelow; Pujols (16), off Rumbelow. RBI: Seager (55), Heredia (11), Fletcher (7), Upton (3), Pujols (3), (52), Kinsler (3), Calhoun (23). SB: Trout (15), Upton (5), SF: Calhoun. Runners left in scoring position: Seattle (3 Gordon 2, Healy); Los Angeles (4 Trout, Maldonado 2, Valbuena). RISP: Seattle 1 for 8; Los Angeles 4 for 14.							PITCHERS												
SEATTLE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	Rosario	4	0	1.38	26.0	21	22					
Paxton, L 8-4 1/2 3 3 3 0 1 3.70								Morrow	0	0	1.57	26.0	21	22					
Bradford 2 1/2 3 1 1 1 0 2.72								Cishek	2	1	1.96	41.1	21	22					
Vincent 1 0 0 0 0 2 3.95								Wright	1	0	2.41	37.1	16	18					
Nicasio 1 2 1 1 1 2 6.17								Lester	1	2	2.46	106.1	86	86					
Rumbelow 1 4 4 0 0 0 1.84								Edwards	2	1	2.70	26.2	18	18					
Elias 1 1 0 0 0 0 2.45								Wilson	3	2	2.87	37.2	26	26					
Romine 1 2 2 2 1 0 7.00								Montgomery	3	1	3.65	28.0	28	28					
LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	Montgomery	3	3	3.91	76.0	72	72					
Skaggs, W, 7-5 6 5 1 1 1 5 2.57								Hendricks	5	8	3.93	105.1	96	96					
Ramirez 1 0 0 0 1 1 4.33								Quintana	8	6	3.96	97.2	89	89					
Drake 2 4 1 1 0 1 7.54								Chatwood	3	5	5.01	79.7	79	79					
HBP: Bradford (Marte), Rumbelow (Trout), Ramirez (Heredia). WP: Romine. Umpires: H, Sam Holbrook; 1B, Jim Wolf; 2B, D.J. Reyburn; 3B, Ryan Blakney. Time: 3:02. A: 44,027 (45,050).								TOTALS	52	38	3.58	121.9	697	697					
							PITCHERS												
							R							ER	HR	BB	SO		
							Rosario							4	2	4	11	15	
							Morrow							5	5	2	9	29	
							Wright							1	0	2	17	10	
							Strop							10	10	2	14	36	
							Lester							35	35	12	38	81	
							Edwards							8	2	8	13	44	
							Wilson							12	12	3	26	53	
							Montgomery							12	6	4	12	30	
							Montgomery							35	33	7	25	48	
							Hendricks							49	49	16	31	80	
							Quintana							46	43	14	45	87	
							Chatwood							45	40	7	20	74	
							Norwood							1	0	1	0	0	
							TOTALS							348	322	90	385	751	
														through Thursday					

■ **Extra innings:** Gerardo Parra and Raimel Tapia delivered pinch RBI singles in a three-run sixth that helped the Rockies beat the Diamondbacks 5-1. ... Angels RHP Garrett Richards decided to undergo Tommy John surgery on his right elbow and is out for the season.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Boston	66	29	.695	—	10-0	W-10	32-12	34-17
New York	61	31	.663	3 1/2	7-3	W-2	33-13	28-18
Tampa Bay	48	45	.516	17	6-4	L-1	26-17	22-28
Toronto	42	50	.457	22 1/2	3-7	L-2	24-25	18-25
Baltimore	26	68	.277	39 1/2	2-8	L-2	14-32	12-36
<b>CENTRAL</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>L10</b>	<b>STR</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>
Cleveland	50	42	.543	—	5-5	L-1	29-18	21-24
Minnesota	42	49	.462	7 1/2	7-3	W-2	27-21	15-28
Detroit	40	55	.421	11 1/2	3-7	L-4	25-23	15-32
Chicago	31	61	.337	19	3-7	W-1	17-28	14-33
Kansas City	26	66	.283	24	1-9	L-1	11-35	15-31
<b>WEST</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>PCT</b>	<b>GB</b>	<b>L10</b>	<b>STR</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>
Houston	62	34	.646	—	7-3	L-2	30-20	32-14
Seattle	58	36	.617	3	5-5	L-1	31-17	27-19
Oakland	53	41	.564	8	7-3	W-2	24-21	29-20
Los Angeles	48	46	.511	13	5-5	W-1	24-23	24-23
Texas	40	54	.426	21	2-8	L-3	19-28	21-26

through Thursday

RED SOX 6, BLUE JAYS 4

Streak hits 10 on Betts' grand slam

Associated Press

BOSTON — Mookie Betts was so excited he nearly tripped when his feet got tangled on the way to first base.

The Red Sox's normally mild-mannered right fielder let loose with some emotion after ending a marathon at-bat with a grand slam that keyed a 6-4 win over the Blue Jays on Thursday night.

"I almost went down," Betts said with a chuckle after going 2-for-4 with five RBIs. "I had to depend on my athletic ability, and it came through that time."

That ability has Betts leading the majors in batting and the Red

Sox riding a 10-game winning streak to the best record in the big leagues. They have the longest current winning streak in the majors and haven't lost since getting routed 11-1 at Yankee Stadium on July 1.

The Red Sox are on their longest streak since winning 11 straight in September 2016. At 66-29, they are 37 games over .500 for the first time since 1949.

Betts fouled off seven pitches from All-Star lefty J.A. Happ before driving the 13th pitch well over the Green Monster and out of Fenway Park to put the Red Sox up 5-2 in the fourth inning. Betts turned to his dugout and

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Philadelphia	52	40	.565	—	7-3	W-1	30-16	22-24
Atlanta	51	40	.560	½	4-6	W-1	24-18	27-22
Washington	47	46	.505	5½	5-5	W-1	22-24	25-22
Miami	39	56	.411	14½	5-5	W-1	21-27	18-25
New York	37	54	.407	14½	4-6	L-1	17-31	20-23
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Milwaukee	55	39	.585	—	6-4	L-2	30-18	25-21
Chicago	52	38	.578	1	7-3	L-1	28-15	24-23
St. Louis	47	44	.516	6½	5-5	L-1	23-22	24-22
Pittsburgh	44	49	.473	10½	4-6	W-2	25-24	19-25
Cincinnati	41	52	.441	13½	6-4	L-1	21-26	20-26
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	51	42	.548	—	7-3	W-2	26-23	25-19
Arizona	51	43	.543	½	4-6	L-2	26-23	25-20
Colorado	48	45	.516	3	7-3	W-2	20-23	28-22
San Francisco	49	46	.516	3	4-6	W-1	30-17	19-25
San Diego	40	56	.417	12½	3-7	L-2	20-28	20-28



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ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Fans at the Croatian Cultural Center celebrate Croatia's 2-1 win over England on Wednesday in the World Cup.

# Shaking it up

‘Underdog team’ fills local Croats with Cup pride

BY PHIL THOMPSON  
Chicago Tribune

Loyola's Bruno Skokna got to see how the average fan feels watching an underdog pull off a huge upset on the world stage.

"I'm shaking. Words can't describe (it)," the Ramblers guard said after Croatia's 2-1 victory over England in the World Cup semi-finals Wednesday as he celebrated at the Croatian Cultural Center in Rogers Park.

"I'm so proud, so proud to be Croatian."

Skokna was raised in the south-eastern European country until he was 18, when he moved to the United States to play basketball. The World Cup triumph "probably means a lot (to my parents) because they were alive when (Croats) were fighting for this country (and its independence in 1991)," he said.

Skokna was surrounded by dozens of other jubilant Croatian-Americans, many of whom plan to return to the cultural center when the doors open at 8:30 a.m. Sunday to watch the World Cup final against France, which starts at 10. In fact, Croats throughout the area were making plans for watch parties or to travel — some headed to Croatia and at least one going to the final in Moscow.

"Who knows if we'll ever get this far again," said Ante Loncar, manager of South Side semipro soccer club RWB Andria. He planned to join a cousin who's already in Russia and who has access to a ticket.

"We are the melting pot. To describe our team is to describe America," said Loncar, who said the team has players with Nigerian, British, German and Mexican heritage, among others.

As are Croatian-Americans, some of them first-generation Croats, who live in the Chicago area. At the cultural center Wednesday, fans of the Vatreni — "the Blazers," as the national team is called — wore red-and-white checkered shirts and chanted "Mi



A fan carries a Croatian flag outside the Croatian Cultural Center. The Croatian soccer team will face France in the World Cup final Sunday.

smo Hrvati" ("We are Croatian") and popular slogan "U boj, U boj, za narod svoj," which means "to battle, to battle, for your people."

Cardinal Blase Cupich, Chicago's archbishop, was born in Omaha, Neb., to a family of Croatian descent. He said in a statement Wednesday, "My family here in the States and in Croatia are proud of the team."

Cupich's plans for the Cup final weren't clear Thursday.

Roughly 6,000 Cook County residents identified themselves as Croatian in a 2015 U.S. Census survey, but community leaders estimate area residents with ties to Croatian heritage number between 150,000 and 200,000.

The Rev. Ivica Majstorovic of St. Jerome Croatian Catholic Church in Bridgeport estimated about 1,500 families make up Chicago's three Croatian parishes, which also include Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission on the North Side and Sacred Heart on the South Side.

Majstorovic said he plans to reschedule mass Sunday so parishioners catch the final at 10 a.m. and perhaps say a prayer for the team during his sermon. Blessed Stepinac will have a 30-minute service at 9.

"I think it's going to be hard to avoid it," Majstorovic said. "I had a funeral (Wednesday) and I said he would be very proud on his funeral day that the whole nation

was wearing checkers."

Majstorovic said he plans to watch the final at the South Side's Croatian American Radio Club, whose president, Ivica Simunic, also runs Hrvat Chicago's youth soccer tournament.

Simunic watched the semifinal at the Iron Horse Pub in Simsbury, Conn., with his boss, Steve Phillips, who's English.

"It was me and about 50 English fans. It was quite interesting," Simunic said. "Nobody beat me up, though. Everyone was saying that (I might not have a job the next day). They were pretty good about it. He's licking his wounds right now."

Josip Soldo, who was at the cultural center Wednesday, plans to be in Croatia on a family vacation during the match. Soldo expressed a common theme — that Croatia's fan base has a chip on its shoulder about its team.

"Doesn't matter the final result. Obviously we hope for a good one, but we've been written off the entire Cup. ... But we will keep doing what we've been doing," he said.

"It's an underdog team and an underdog community. We don't have the numbers ... but we are part of the makeup of what makes Chicago great and to an extent what makes the U.S. great."

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## Sitting out World Cup can spark U.S. soccer

Campbell, from Page 1

Their incompetence and arrogance during qualifying denied us our own display of delirious national pride like the ones in town squares across Europe, South America and, ough, rival Mexico.

It's not that our national morale would have been boosted by packing into watch parties, high-fiving red-and-blue-clad strangers, indiscriminate beer showers and impassioned fan chants. It's just that going mental after a goal is really, really fun.

Missing the World Cup is not a closed wound, and the scar never will disappear. But after Sunday, healing replaces pain.

We probably won't see the United States win the World Cup in our lifetimes, but there's no reason we ever should endure another one without the Yanks.

For starters, there's too much money at stake — for corporate sponsors, media outlets, leagues and players — to allow such a failure to reoccur.

The only way to ensure that, though, is by having better players on the national team. And for as simple as it is to type that solution, it's infinitely more complex to achieve.

Watch on Sunday as 19-year-old French striker Kylian Mbappe blazes past defenders and Croatian Luka Modric works his midfield mastery. The prevailing thought inevitably will be: Wow, the U.S. needs studs like *that*.

Gifted 19-year-old goal scorer Christian Pulisic is an essential foundational piece, but the countries that were competitive in the World Cup's knockout stage each have a half-dozen Pulisics.

How does the U.S. find more of its own? There's no quick solution. It's a grassroots issue involving our country's sporting culture and the nature of soccer's developmental infrastructure.

European countries, which accounted for six of the final eight teams in the tournament, have it right with their clubs' youth academies. That's how Croatia and its population of 4.2 million — about a million people fewer than Cook County — can qualify for the final while our nation of 325 million sits at home.

The challenge, in its simplest form, is encouraging more kids to play and nurturing their passion and skills. Missing the World Cup, though, is a direct conflict with cultural evolution required. Maybe hosting the 2026 tournament will help offset that.

After all, co-hosting the tournament with Canada and Mexico is a money-making opportunity for domestic sponsors. It invites investment in youth soccer clubs, facilities and personnel that, however slowly, could improve the quality of play in this country.

To that end, many of the youth academies run by Major League Soccer franchises continue to improve in terms of coordination with the parent club and the understanding in the soccer community that they represent a road to high-level soccer.

Because of everything college has to offer student-athletes and how it's ingrained in American

**The challenge for U.S. soccer, in its simplest form, is encouraging more kids to play.**

life, it always will be a bigger influence in the U.S. than in Europe. But as the path to the pros through the academies becomes well traveled, starting in a player's pre-teen years, the quality of the national team will jump as a result.

New U.S. Soccer President Carlos Cordeiro and U.S. men's national team general manager Earnie Stewart have stated as much. They're in place now as part of the changes the qualifying debacle sparked last year. Extending that change to the grassroots level won't be easy, but they should find a motivated soccer community.

Another obstacle is how expensive high-level youth soccer is. Playing for a travel team can cost a family more than \$10,000 a year. That can preclude participation of some inner-city and minority children, keeping talent out of the player pool.

Hope Solo, the former U.S. women's national team goalkeeper and losing candidate for the U.S. Soccer presidency this year, recently called soccer a "rich, white-kid sport" at the Hashtag Sports Conference. It was part of her plea to make soccer more accessible.

At the national team level, the debate will continue to include whether players are served best playing for European clubs instead of those in MLS.

MLS is a growing league, a fun league, a respectable league — it's *our* league — but the best of the best are in Europe.

Currently, speedy right back DeAndre Yedlin and 6-foot-4 center back Matt Miazga are examples of national team players who jumped to Europe after beginning their first-division careers in MLS. Their success in a U.S. shirt will be monitored closely as a potential blueprint for development.

It's important to note that all these problems existed before the U.S. lost to Trinidad and Tobago. In fact, the U.S. still would have qualified for the World Cup if Costa Rica had just beaten Panama that night, a match tainted by the referee's decision to award Panama a goal on a ball that obviously didn't cross the goal line.

If that botched call had benefited the U.S. and it had qualified, the issues facing U.S. Soccer wouldn't have been any less dire. So maybe — hopefully — missing the tournament has forced a level of introspection and evaluation that wouldn't have occurred if the U.S. had reached the tournament.

Perhaps, then, four years from now, we'll all gather in a city park or town square, dressed in red, white and blue. The 11 men on the field will prove how far they've progressed since last October, that significant good came of that World Cup without them.

And the world will watch American fans going bonkers.

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BULLS

# Not playing any games

Hutchison serious about improvement

By K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

LAS VEGAS — Disappointment oozed from Chandler Hutchison.

His team had lost. He had struggled to finish drives at the rim and passed up some open shots.

“I have to find ways to help the team win,” Hutchison said. “I have to be better.”

That was Tuesday night. Twenty-four hours later, the Bulls had won and Hutchison produced a double-double, playing with confidence and no hesitation.

But afterward he batted away a softball question about his strong play and the team’s victory, his expression turning serious. He pointed to upcoming games.

A few things have stood out about Hutchison, the Bulls’ other first-round pick after Wendell Carter Jr., during his first week at the NBA Summer League. On the court, he’s extremely comfortable as a push guard, able to snag a rebound and immediately bring the ball upcourt with pace. Off it, he’s serious about his job.

“I’m always extremely hard on myself,” Hutchison said. “I’m struggling to finish at the rim, and that’s a big part of my game. I know it will come with getting a better rhythm, but I have to have a finishing-type mentality, knowing (I) might get hit and not get a call. You have to go up strong.”

Through four games Hutchison has averaged 11 points, seven rebounds and 3.8 assists. His finishing struggles are borne out by

his 6-for-24 shooting on 2-pointers. Despite a somewhat slow release that the coaching staff has made a point of emphasis, Hutchison has knocked down 7 of 12 from 3-point range.

“He was as good as anybody in our three-day minicamp in Chicago,” said coach Fred Hoiberg, who is observing games while assistant coach Randy Brown leads the summer-league team.

“The thing that stood out most is his ability to play in the open floor. He’s really dynamic. When he gets it off the glass, he’s able to push it up. He has good vision and is a really good finisher. He also has a knack of getting fouled and getting to the line.

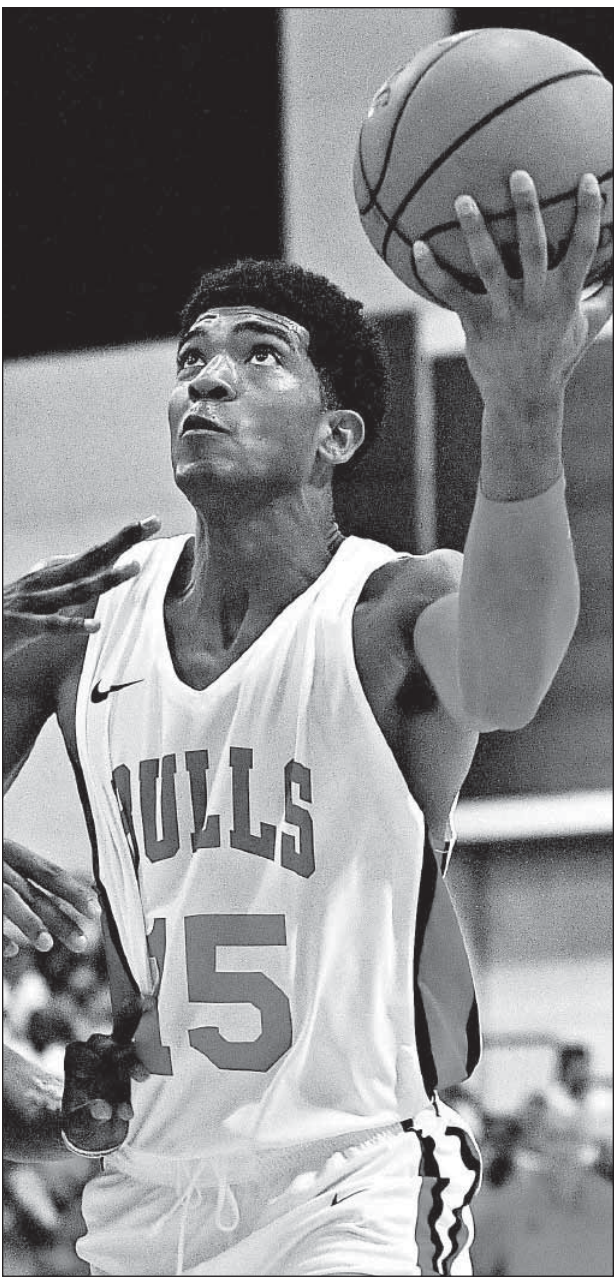
“We have to get him not playing in a crowd. Make the simple, instinctive play. But you can see he has great length and is a versatile defender. He’s going to be a really complete player.”

With his solid court vision, Hutchison also has been adept at making the right pass off a live dribble.

“That was one of the things the staff here in Chicago mentioned as a reason they brought me in,” Hutchison said. “My ability to rebound and start the break offensively is something I’ve had in my game for a little bit. It’s something that sets me apart.”

But that isn’t the area on which Hutchison is most focused.

“With my length, height and athleticism, I have to be a defensive stopper and rebounder,” he said. “Those two things, regardless of what happens on the other end, can be valuable every night. I have to help the



SAM WASSON/GETTY

**“My ability to rebound and start the break offensively is something I’ve had in my game for a little bit. It’s something that sets me apart.”**

— Bulls draft pick Chandler Hutchison

team any way I can in those areas.”

Because of his serious postgame demeanor, Hutchison was asked if he’s enjoying himself. The well-spoken rookie laughed and said he is.

But then he pointed to

the Bulls’ game Saturday.

“I’m always up for a challenge,” Hutchison said. “That’s the beauty of this game. There’s always another one.”

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BULLS NOTES

## No qualifying offer for Nwaba

By K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

LAS VEGAS — The Bulls rescinded their qualifying offer to David Nwaba on Thursday night, a source confirmed, making the spark-plug reserve guard an unrestricted free agent.

They also made official what has been reported for weeks by waiving Sean Kilpatrick.

The moves follow last week’s trade of Jerian Grant to the Magic for Julian Stone, whose non-guaranteed deal also will be waived, a source said. The flurry of activity is a clear sign the Bulls are trying to finalize another move, almost certainly to shore up the wing position or to absorb a bad contract with an asset attached.

One source said there’s strong internal belief another move is coming.

The Bulls now have 12 guaranteed contracts, a non-guaranteed Paul Zipser deal that will be waived and a qualifying offer to Ryan Arcidiacono to make him a restricted free agent.

It has been reported Noah Vonleh’s deal will be renounced.

Nwaba, claimed after the Lakers placed him on waivers last summer, averaged 7.9 points and 4.7 rebounds in 70 games last season, including 21 starts. Coach Fred Hoiberg consistently referred to Nwaba as one of the team’s most effective players according to advanced metrics.

The move doesn’t preclude Nwaba re-signing with the Bulls after the potential looming transaction, a source said.

As for Kilpatrick, the guard averaged 15.4 points, 2.8 rebounds and 1.4 assists

in nine late-season games, colorfully drawing the nickname “Kildraftpick” in some circles.

**Brothers in arms:** John Paxson and Michael Jordan are teammates again.

The Bulls executive vice president and Hornets chairman are on the NBA’s 14-member competition committee comprised of three owners, three coaches, three heads of basketball operations, three players and two officials. The panel can bring proposed rules changes or other competition-related matters to the Board of Governors for passage.

This is Paxson’s first year of a four-year term. He flew here earlier this week for one day of in-person meetings.

**School pride:** As Kings forward Harry Giles stood in a hallway and extolled the virtues of Wendell Carter Jr., the Bulls’ top draft pick scored and the public address announcer boomed his name throughout Thomas & Mack Arena.

“You heard that right there, right?” Giles said, smiling.

Carter said this week Giles is someone he has been leaning on for advice as he transitions from Duke to the NBA. Each played one season for the Blue Devils, but not the same year. Nevertheless, they have been close for a while.

“I just tell him to stay patient,” Giles said. “Go out there and attack.”

That has been evident at the NBA Summer League. Carter’s poise and demeanor through four games has stood out as he is averaging 16.8 points, 7.8 rebounds and 2.8 blocks while shooting 63.4 percent.

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## Dumping Hossa’s pact costly

Blackhawks, from Page 1

forgotten,” the Hawks said in a statement. “His performance as a player was always appreciated, but it is his special qualities as a teammate, a leader and a person that will more than anything leave its mark on all of us who have come to love and respect the very humble way he goes about everything he does.”

Kruger, 28, rejoins the Blackhawks after one season with the Hurricanes, who dealt him to the Coyotes in May. The defensive specialist played seven seasons with the Hawks from 2010 to 2017 and was a member of the 2013 and 2015 Cup winners.

A valuable penalty-killer and checking center, Kruger’s departure from the Hawks was also related to the salary cap. He was traded to the Golden Knights in July 2017 for “future considerations,” which was a euphemism for salary-cap space. The deal reportedly was part of a larger agreement; the Hawks left defenseman Trevor van Riemsdyk unprotected, and the Knights selected him in the expansion draft. The Knights eventually traded Kruger and van Riemsdyk to the Hurricanes in separate deals.

Neither of the other two forwards the Hawks acquired Thursday has NHL experience and likely won’t be making an immediate impact. Entwistle, a third-round pick in 2017, is only 18, while the 23-year-old Maletta managed just four assists in 29 minor-league games last season.

Hinostrroza, 24, often was mentioned as part of a core group of young forwards around whom the Hawks were building their future. He recently signed a two-year extension that pays \$1.5 million per season. The Chicago-born Hinostrroza had seven goals and 18 assists in 50 games for the Hawks last season.

The Hawks signed Oesterle as a free agent in July 2017 and he worked



KARL B DEBLAKER/AP

Marcus Kruger, who played for the Hurricanes last season, returns to the Blackhawks after a trade with the Coyotes.

his way into a regular role, occasionally pairing with Duncan Keith on the top defensive unit. Oesterle’s emergence was somewhat of a surprise, considering his track record in parts of three seasons with the Oilers. But the 26-year-old gradually became part of coach Joel Quenneville’s regular rotation thanks in part to his ability to play either the left or right side. In 55 games last season, Oesterle averaged 20 minutes, 31 seconds of ice time, scored five goals and assisted on 10 others.

Defense was the Hawks’ biggest need this offseason, and neither the departure of Oesterle nor the acquisition of the 30-year-old Campbell would seem adequate in addressing that concern. Campbell has appeared in just 42 NHL games for three teams since the Kings drafted him in 2008.

Now that the Hawks have opened some cap space, they may have greater flexibility to add depth on the blue line, possibly via a trade. They reportedly have been inquiring about Justin Faulk of the Hurri-

canes, a 26-year-old right-handed shot who has reached double digits in goals in three of the last four seasons. Faulk, a three-time all-star, is signed for two more seasons and carries an annual salary-cap figure of \$4.8 million.

The deal with the Coyotes is not the first time the Hawks had to trade promising young players to shed an onerous contract. They included skillful forward Teuvo Teravainen in the trade that sent Bryan Bickell to the Hurricanes in 2016, and they packaged defenseman Stephen Johns in the deal that sent Patrick Sharp to the Stars in 2015.

Those money-motivated trades ultimately left the Hawks short-changed on the ice. The Hossa deal relieves the Hawks of a financial burden, but it puts the weight squarely on general manager Stan Bowman’s shoulders. Does he have a bigger move that could make a major impact in the works? The clock is ticking, and training camp is on the horizon.

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## SCOREBOARD

## CALENDAR

TEAM	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
	@SD 9:10 NBCSCH AM-670	@SD 9:10 ABC-7 AM-670	@SD 3:10 WGN-9 AM-670				STL 6:05 ESPN AM-670
	KC 7:10 WGN-9 AM-720	KC 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	KC 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720		ALL-STAR GAME 7 AM-1000		
		@DAL 7 ESPN+ AM-1200				LOU 7:30	
	@WAS 6 WCIU-26.2		@NY 2 NBA TV			SEA 11 a.m.	

## FRIDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB		MLBN
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Yankees at Indians	
<b>7:10 p.m.</b>	Royals at White Sox	WGN-9, WGN-AM 720
<b>9:10 p.m.</b>	Cubs at Padres	NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670
<b>NBA SUMMER LEAGUE CONSOLATION PLAYOFFS</b>		
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Nets at Pacers	ESPNU
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Wizards at Mavericks	ESPNU
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Timberwolves at Nuggets	ESPNU
<b>9 p.m.</b>	Kings at Warriors	ESPNU
<b>BASKETBALL</b>		
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Big3 in Detroit	FS1
<b>WNBA</b>		
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Sky at Mystics	WCIU-26.2
<b>BOXING</b>		
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Joel Gonzalez vs. Rafael Rivera	ESPN
<b>CYCLING</b>		
<b>7 a.m.</b>	Tour de France Stage 7	NBCSN
<b>GOLF</b>		
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	Senior Players Championship	Golf Channel
<b>3 p.m.</b>	PGA John Deere Classic	Golf Channel
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Web.com Utah Championship	Golf Channel
<b>MOTORSPORTS</b>		
<b>4 p.m.</b>	NASCAR Xfinity qualifying	NBCSN
<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	NASCAR Cup Series qualifying	NBCSN
<b>7 p.m.</b>	NASCAR Xfinity Alisco 300	NBCSN
<b>USA SOFTBALL INTERNATIONAL CUP</b>		
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Puerto Rico vs. USA Red	ESPN2
<b>TENNIS: WIMBLEDON</b>		
<b>7 a.m.</b>	Men's semifinals	ESPN

## SATURDAY HIGHLIGHTS ON TV/RADIO

MLB		MLBN
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Brewers at Pirates	
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Nationals at Mets	MLBN
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Diamondbacks at Braves	WMVP-AM 1000
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Yankees at Indians	FOX-32, WMVP-AM 1000
<b>BOXING</b>		
<b>6 p.m.</b>	Regis Prograis vs. Juan Jose Velasco	ESPN
<b>CYCLING</b>		
<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	Tour de France Stage 8	NBC-5
<b>GOLF</b>		
<b>9 a.m.</b>	Scottish Open	Golf (more, 11:30 a.m., NBC-5)
<b>Noon</b>	PGA John Deere Classic	Golf (more, 2 p.m., CBS-2)
<b>2 p.m.</b>	LPGA Marathon Classic	Golf Channel
<b>2 p.m.</b>	American Century Celebrity Championship	NBC-5
<b>MOTORSPORTS</b>		
<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	NASCAR Cup Series Quaker State 400	NBCSN
<b>WORLD CUP SOCCER: THIRD PLACE MATCH</b>		
<b>9 a.m.</b>	Belgium vs. England	FOX-32, WSNS-44

## SENIOR PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

## Small shares the lead

BY ANDREW SELIGMAN  
Associated Press

University of Illinois golf coach Mike Small shot a 7-under 65 to share a one-stroke lead with Kenny Perry after the first round of the Constellation Senior Players Championship on Thursday at Exmoor Country Club in Highland Park.

Bart Bryant, Glen Day and 2015 U.S. Senior Open champion Jeff Maggert were one stroke back in the fourth of five majors on the PGA Tour Champions schedule.

Defending champion Scott McCarron was in a pack at 5 under, while three-time Senior Players winner Bernhard Langer and Vijay Singh were another shot back. David Toms, coming off a win at the U.S. Senior Open, shot a 2-over 74.

Small, 52, never has won a Champions event, though he did win twice on the Nike Tour in 1997 before taking over as Illini coach three years later. He also has won a record 11 Illinois PGA Championships and four Illinois Opens.

He is not a tour member and made the field with strong performances in three events in which he received sponsors' exemptions. He tied for 10th in Madison, Wis., in late June after tying for ninth in Des Moines, Iowa, two weeks earlier.

What would a victory this week mean?

"Well, that would be great, but there's a lot of golf to go," he said. "So, yeah, that would be awesome. That's what we're here for. Everybody is here to win."

Perry, 57, is in contention for his fifth senior major to go with two U.S. Senior Opens (2013, 2017), a Senior Players Championship (2013) and a Regions Tradition (2014).



CHRISTIAN PETERSEN/GETTY-AFP

Elaine Crosby shot a 3-under 70 in Thursday's first round of the U.S. Senior Women's Open.

## GOLF ROUNDUP

## Crosby takes early lead

60-year-old looks to make history for senior women

Associated Press

Elaine Crosby shot a 3-under 70 on Thursday to lead after one round of the inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open at Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton.

"It's history for women's golf," Crosby, a two-time winner on the LPGA Tour in 17 seasons, said of the first 72-hole USGA championship for women 50 and older. "We've worked really hard."

Crosby, 60, owns a one-shot advantage over England's Trish Johnson and Laura Davies and Sweden's Liselotte Neumann heading into Friday's second round.

The winner of three LPGA titles and 19 Ladies

European Tour titles, Johnson also won the first Senior LPGA Championship in 2017. She birdied four of the five par-5s on Thursday.

"I'm the only one that can win them both, the first one," Johnson said. "So that would be quite something."

**John Deere Classic:** Steve Wheatcroft shot a career-best 9-under 62 to take a one-shot lead in the John Deere Classic in Silvis, Ill., while recent Illinois graduate Nick Hardy shot a 66 and is tied for 11th.

Hardy, a Northbrook native who was Big Ten player of the year and first-team All-America this year, turned pro last month and is playing this week on a sponsor's exemption. His former Illini teammate Dylan Meyer also received an exemption and shot a 68 on Thursday.

Defending champion

## MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

MIDWEST LEAGUE				
<b>EASTERN</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
Bowl, Green (Rays)	14	7	.667	—
Fort Wayne (Padres)	13	8	.619	1
Lansing (Blue Jays)	12	9	.571	2
South Bend (Cubs)	11	10	.524	3
W. Michigan (Tigers)	11	10	.524	3
Lake Co. (Indians)	21	20	.500	3
Dayton (Reds)	9	12	.429	5
Gr. Lakes (Dodgers)	5	16	.238	9
<b>WESTERN</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
Beloit (Athletics)	13	6	.684	—
Ced. Rapids (Twins)	14	7	.667	—
Quad Cities (Astros)	11	9	.550	2½
Peoria (Cardinals)	10	9	.526	3
Kane Co. (Dbacks)	10	11	.476	4
Clinton (Mariners)	9	11	.450	4½
Wisconsin (Brewers)	7	13	.350	6½
Burlington (Angels)	4	16	.200	9½

THURSDAY'S RESULTS				
Quad Cities 4, Dayton 3				
Beloit 8, South Bend 1				
West Michigan 4, Wisconsin 3				
Great Lakes 10, Clinton 1				
Lansing 11, Burlington 8				
Cedar Rapids 6, Fort Wayne 2				
Bowling Green 5, Kane County 4				
Lake County 6, Peoria 1				
<b>FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE</b>				
Quad Cities at Dayton, 6				
Wisconsin at West Michigan, 6:05				
Lansing at Burlington, 6:30				
Beloit at South Bend, 6:35				
Fort Wayne at Cedar Rapids, 6:35				
Kane County at Bowling Green, 6:35				
Lake County at Peoria, 7				

FRONTIER LEAGUE				
<b>EAST</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
Washington	30	21	.588	—
Joliet	27	24	.529	3
Schaumburg	26	24	.520	3½
Lake Erie	26	24	.520	3½
Traverse City	24	26	.480	5½
Windy City	19	31	.380	10½
<b>WEST</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
River City	29	22	.569	—
Evansville	26	23	.531	2
Southern Illinois	24	23	.511	3
Florence	25	25	.500	3½
Normal	22	26	.458	5½
Gateway	22	31	.415	8

THURSDAY'S RESULT				
No games scheduled.				
<b>FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE</b>				
Evansville at Normal, 7:05				
Schaumburg at Traverse City, 7:05				
Southern Illinois at Florence, 7:05				
River City at Gateway, 7:05				
Evansville at Normal, 7:05				
Joliet at Windy City, 7:05				

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION				
<b>NORTH</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
St. Paul	29	23	.558	—
Fargo-Moorhead	27	23	.540	½
Gary Southshore	25	25	.500	2½
Winnipeg	23	30	.434	6½
Sioux Falls	21	29	.420	7
Chicago	19	31	.380	8½
<b>SOUTH</b>	W	L	PCT.	GB
Sioux City	38	13	.745	—
Kansas City	33	18	.647	5
Lincoln	31	20	.608	7
Lincoln	27	24	.529	11
Cleburne	17	32	.347	20
Texas	14	36	.280	23½

THURSDAY'S RESULTS				
Lake Erie at Washington, 7:05				
Schaumburg at Traverse City, 7:05				
Southern Illinois at Florence, 7:05				
River City at Gateway, 7:05				
Evansville at Normal, 7:05				
Joliet at Windy City, 7:05				
<b>FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE</b>				
Chicago at Cleburne, 7:05				
Gary Southshore at Winnipeg, 8				
Texas at Wichita, 8:05				
Fargo-Moorhead at Sioux Falls, 8:05				
Lincoln at Sioux City, 8:05				
St. Paul at Kansas City, 8:05				

## TRANSACTIONS

**BASEBALL**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**Detroit:** Optioned RHP Victor Alcantara to Toledo (IL).

**Minnesota:** Placed DH/1B Logan Morrison on the 10-day DL. Reinstated SS Ehre Adrianza from the 10-day DL.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**Atlanta:** Optioned LHP Luiz Gohara to Gwinnett (IL).

**Milwaukee:** Released INF Eric Sogard. Optioned INF Nate Orie and RHP Jorge Lopez to Colorado Springs (PCL) and RHP Freddy Peralta to Wisconsin (MWL).

Assigned LHP Mike Zagurski outright to Colorado Springs. Reinstated LHP Wade Miley from the 60-day DL. Recalled RHPs Alec Asher and Adrian Houser from Colorado Springs. Signed SSS Angel Bautista, Eduardo Garcia, Joniker Ponce De Leon and Carlos Roa; OFs Erys Bautista, Eduarqui Fernandez, Rafael Martinez and Bryan Nino; C Jhonys Cabrera; RHPs Jose Espiritu, Mario Perez and Abner Uribe; and 3B Brantly Jaraba to minor league contracts.

**Pittsburgh:** Sent 2B Sean Rodriguez to Indianapolis (IL) for a rehab assignment.

**BASKETBALL**

**NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**

**Bulls:** Waived G Sean Kilpatrick.

**Golden State:** Signed F Jonas Jerebko.

**Oklahoma City:** Re-signed G Raymond Felton.

**Washington:** Signed C Dwight Howard.

**FOOTBALL**

**NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

**N.Y. Giants:** Waived G Ethan Cooper.

Signed G Zac Kerin.

**HOCKEY**

**NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE**

**Blackhawks:** Traded FS Marian Hossa and Winnie Hinostroza, D Jordan Oesterle and a 2019 third-round draft pick to Arizona for D Andrew Campbell, FS Marcus Kruger, MacKenzie Entwistle and Jordan Maletta and a 2019 fifth-round draft pick.

## SOCCER

## FIFA WORLD CUP

## In Russia

## THIRD PLACE GAME

Saturday in St. Petersburg

Belgium vs. England, 9 a.m.

## CHAMPIONSHIP

## Sunday in Moscow

France vs. Croatia, 10 a.m.

## MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

## EASTERN

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Atlanta 12 4 4 40 42 23

N.Y. City FC 11 4 4 37 38 24

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Columbus 8 6 30 24 23

New England 7 4 7 28 30 25

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Philadelphia 7 7 4 25 21 27

Orlando City 6 11 1 19 25 41

Toronto FC 4 10 4 16 29 36

D.C. United 2 7 5 11 23 29

San Jose 2 10 6 12 29 37

FC Dallas 10 2 5 35 28 21

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Kansas City 9 3 6 33 30 20

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Note: 3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

## SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Fire at FC Dallas, 7

Columbus at N.Y. City FC, 6

Sporting KC at N.Y. Red Bulls, 6

LA Galaxy at New England, 6:30

San Jose at Montreal, 6:30

Real Salt Lake at Minnesota, 7

Toronto FC at Orlando City, 7

Vancouver at D.C. United, 7

Houston at Colorado, 8

**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Seattle at Atlanta, 1

Portland at Los Angeles FC, 5

## NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER

## CLUB

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Seattle 8 3 5 29 19 13

Orlando 7 6 4 25 24 24

RED STARS 6 4 7 25 22 22

Portland 6 5 5 23 24 20

Utah 5 5 6 21 14 15

Houston 5 6 5 20 20 25

Washington 2 10 4 10 11 22

Sky Blue FC 0 11 3 3 11 26

## SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

North Carolina at Sky Blue FC, 6

Orlando at Red Stars, 7

**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Houston at Portland, 10

## NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

## VEGAS SUMMER LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

(Single-elimination)

## THURSDAY'S RESULTS

North Carolina 110, New Orleans 106

Memphis 82, Oklahoma City 85

Milwaukee 83, San Antonio 75 (OT)

Portland 95, Hawks 69

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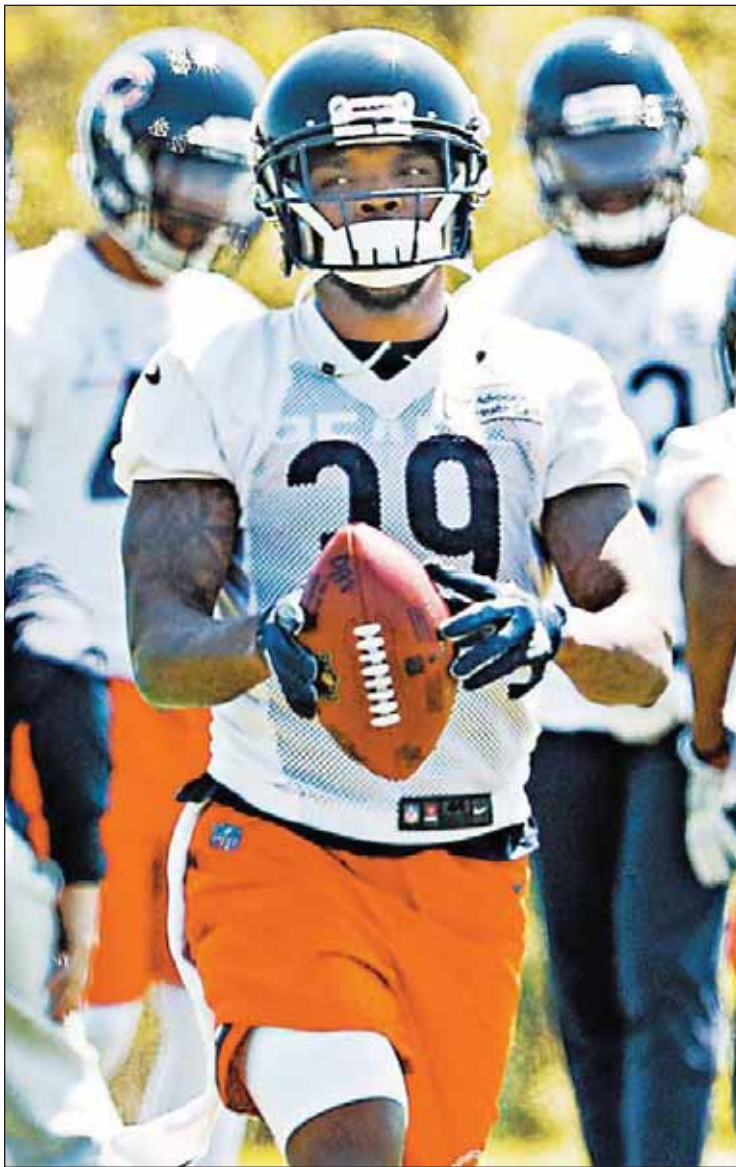
SAFETIES

Jackson, Amos bring the action

By COLLEEN KANE | Chicago Tribune

**Biggest offseason developments:** The Bears released veteran Quintin Demps after the first season of a three-year contract and didn't make any significant offseason additions. After the Bears drafted six safeties from 2014 to '17, general manager Ryan Pace focused on other positions in the 2018 draft.

**Currently on roster:** 6. **Projected on final roster:** 4-5. **Roster locks:** Eddie Jackson, Adrian Amos. **On the bubble:** Deon Bush, Deiondre' Hall, DeAndre Houston-Carson. **Practice-squad candidates:** Nick Orr.



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Safety Eddie Jackson scored two touchdowns as a rookie last season.

**What to like:** The Bears' lack of offseason movement at safety indicates some faith in the group that returns. Eddie Jackson, who dropped to the fourth round after breaking a leg in his senior season at Alabama, started all 16 games as a rookie, totaling 73 tackles, two interceptions, a forced fumble and three fumble recoveries. He scored two 75-yard touchdowns against the Panthers on an interception return and a fumble return. Defensive backs coach Ed Donatell said Jackson improved his tackling as the season went on, and assistant DBs coach Roy Anderson said he liked how Jackson's communication skills grew. "We told him: 'Hey, go out there and make calls. You're in the NFL for a reason. Just because you're a rookie, that doesn't mean you can't speak up,'" Anderson said. "So he started doing that. He really took off. He's a talented player and sees the game well. "A rookie, you just want them to be vocal. Not saying they have to be a rah-rah type of guy, but you definitely want them to be a quarterback." Donatell and Anderson used the word "hungry" to describe Adrian Amos last year. After starting 30 games over his first two seasons, Amos dropped to second string behind Demps and Jackson when the 2017 season began. But he received his starting shot in Week 4 after Demps broke an arm. Anderson said there was no drop-off as Amos started 10 games with 69 tackles, an interception return for a touchdown, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery. "His knowledge of the system (helped him), and he prepares really well," Anderson said. "He's a very good student, and the game is pretty easy for him. Once he got a chance to play, it was next man up, and he took advantage of it." DeAndre Houston-Carson returns as a special teams staple. Deon Bush looks to continue a good spring. Deiondre' Hall has plenty to prove after missing most of 2017 with a hamstring injury.

**Biggest question:** Will the Bears extend Amos' contract? Amos understands some may have raised their eyebrows when Pro Football Focus named him to its All-Pro team alongside Vikings safety Harrison Smith this offseason. But he sees the praise as motivation. "It's give and take with people's opinions," Amos said. "I know they (PFF evaluators) have their stats line. I know some people would view it as bogus, but some of the top guys that were on there, I just felt honored to be in good company." Anderson had a similar explanation as PFF when talking about the consistency he liked from Amos in 2017: He helped to create turnovers but didn't sacrifice his job while trying to make a splash. Now the Bears must decide whether Amos, a fifth-round pick in 2015, is someone they want to keep around beyond his fourth season.

**Fresh face:** Nick Orr joined the Bears as an undrafted free agent out of TCU, where he had nine interceptions over four seasons and was named first-team All-Big 12 by coaches his senior year.

**You should know:** Bears defensive coordinator Vic Fangio offered unprompted praise for Bush's improvement during Fangio's lone media session this spring. Donatell and Anderson said the improvement stems from another year in the system. "He's doing a good job anticipating plays from the back end," Anderson said. "He's doing a good job of seeing routes develop and also just being explosive back there. He's a naturally talented guy as far as his explosion and his speed. And so now that his vision has improved on the back end, it's allowed him to make some plays that we've been seeing in these OTAs."

**Quote of note:** "It's very different. You get to know the schemes better. You learn how to break down film better and really have that knowledge of the game, especially after playing your rookie season." — Jackson on entering his second season.

**Big number:** 3 — Interceptions by safeties out of the Bears' eight in 2017. Amos and Jackson had the only two returned for touchdowns.

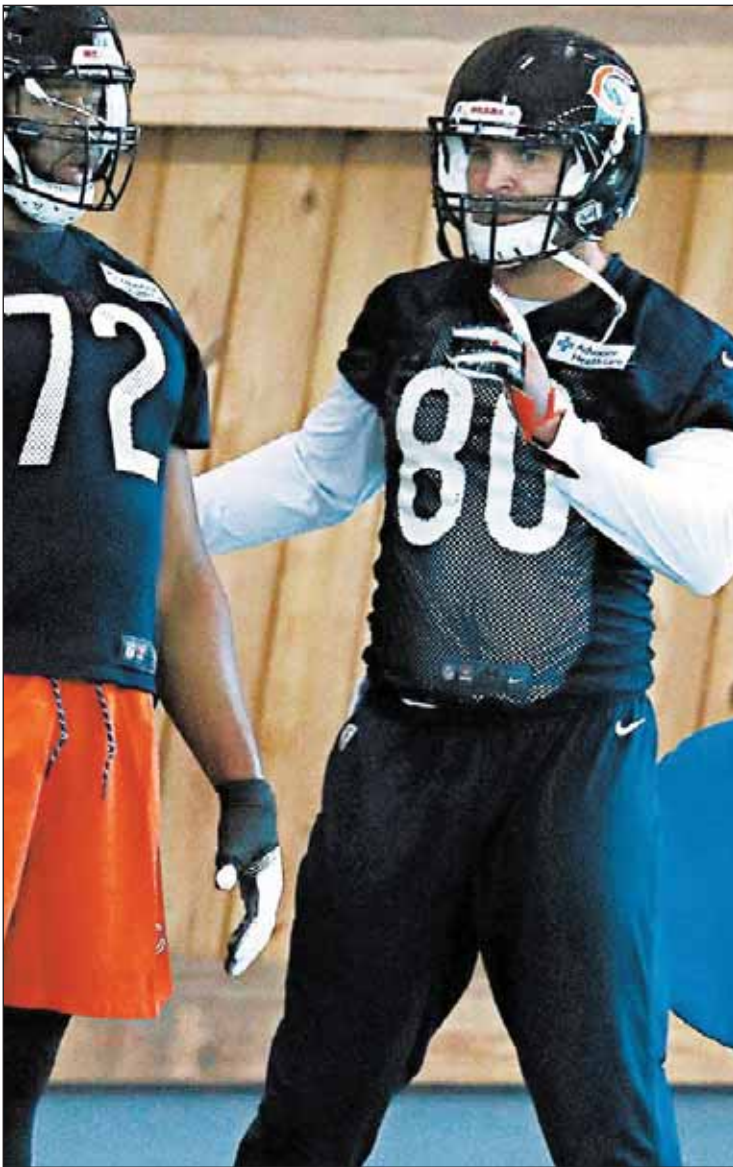
TIGHT ENDS

Banking on big Burton breakout

By RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

**Biggest offseason developments:** The Bears signed free agent Trey Burton to a four-year, \$32 million contract that includes \$18 million guaranteed. ... They opted to keep Sims at \$6 million for 2018 instead of clearing Sims' starting spot for Adam Shaheen, the team's 2017 second-round pick. ... They re-signed Daniel Brown to a one-year contract worth up to \$925,000, including \$70,000 guaranteed, after opting not to tender him a restricted free agent contract worth \$1.9 million.

**Currently on roster:** 6. **Projected on final roster:** 3 or 4. **Roster locks:** Trey Burton, Dion Sims, Adam Shaheen. **On the bubble:** Daniel Brown, Ben Braunecker. **Practice squad candidate:** Colin Thompson.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Bears will lean on Trey Burton to put up some big numbers.

**What to like:** Coach Matt Nagy's offense showcases what he calls the "U" tight end position, for which Burton was signed. The newness of this position to the Bears — and its recent success with the Chiefs and three-time Pro Bowler Travis Kelce — adds layers of intrigue and excitement to the identity the Bears offense is forming. Nagy described the position as: "Kind of the wide receiver/tight end. You play the slot position. You can move around, do different things. It's easy to create some plays for." The position is so important to Nagy's offense that he laid it out for general manager Ryan Pace while the two flew to Chicago on the January day Nagy was hired. For Pace, Burton immediately came to mind as a free-agent target. At the time, Burton was still a month from winning the Super Bowl with the Eagles. "As a receiver, (he has) ability to separate," Pace said. "He's got good hands. He's an intelligent player, and we feel like there's a lot of upside ahead of him, and we feel like this offense can maximize that upside."

**Biggest question:** What progress will Adam Shaheen make in his second season? Shaheen's rookie year finished with unanswered questions about his transition to the NFL from Division II Ashland University. In the 11 games he and Dion Sims were active, Shaheen played 24 percent of the snaps, compared with Sims' 66. (Shaheen missed the final three games with a chest injury.) Sims, a 2017 free-agent acquisition, was more experienced as a blocker, so coaches considered him a better choice than Shaheen for the "Y" or in-line tight end. Under Nagy and the new staff, Sims remains atop the depth chart, but Shaheen senses significant personal development. "Last year, it was a blur," he said. "This year, even though (the scheme) is more challenging, just having a year under your belt to understand football has been instrumental to getting me to where I want to go."

**Fresh face:** Burton, 26, struck it rich with the Bears after featuring for the Eagles during their championship run, most famously throwing a touchdown to quarterback Nick Foles in the Super Bowl on the play called "Philly Special." Burton, a former quarterback at Florida, arrived in Chicago familiar with Nagy's scheme because Eagles coach Doug Pederson, a former colleague of Nagy's, runs a similar one. His rise from undrafted free agent to Super Bowl champion was a testament to his intelligence, character and athleticism. He's unproven as a full-time player, but, so far, the Bears love how his friendly personality fits into their locker room. "I'm not much of a vocal guy," he said. "I'm more of, like, a one-on-one intimate type of communicator. So I take a ton of pride in it. I was a quarterback in high school. I had a great quarterback coach who taught me how to be a leader and how all the eyes are on you. Ever since then, I kind of ran with it."

**You should know:** Shaheen's three touchdown catches last season led the team. Granted, how the Bears overhauled their receiving corps during the offseason indicates how management felt about that group. But the Bears believe in Shaheen's pass-catching ability, particularly in the red zone. He was effective using his 6-foot-5, 270-pound frame to gain position against defenders. Nagy insisted the Bears could use Shaheen as a U tight end, but until he proves he can separate from defenders by using quickness, he's more likely to play the Y. How Nagy and quarterback Mitch Trubisky incorporate the Y into the passing game will help determine its unpredictability.

**Quote of note:** "When you have a guy that has the size that Trey has and the speed that he has, it's about mismatches. So if you get a small nickel on him, and they want to play nickel, he can use his size to be able to body him up. If they want to put a bigger guy on him, we can use his speed. So that's an advantage to the offense." — Nagy

**Big number:** Two inches and 25 pounds — How much shorter and lighter Burton is than Kelce, a reminder that expecting Burton to be the Bears' version of Kelce is probably a misguided notion. Kelce is a complete player and accomplished blocker. Burton, meanwhile, is unproven as a full-time player and particularly as a blocker.

TENNIS



NEIL HALL/AP

Serena Williams reacts after serving to Julia Goerges during Thursday's semifinal match.

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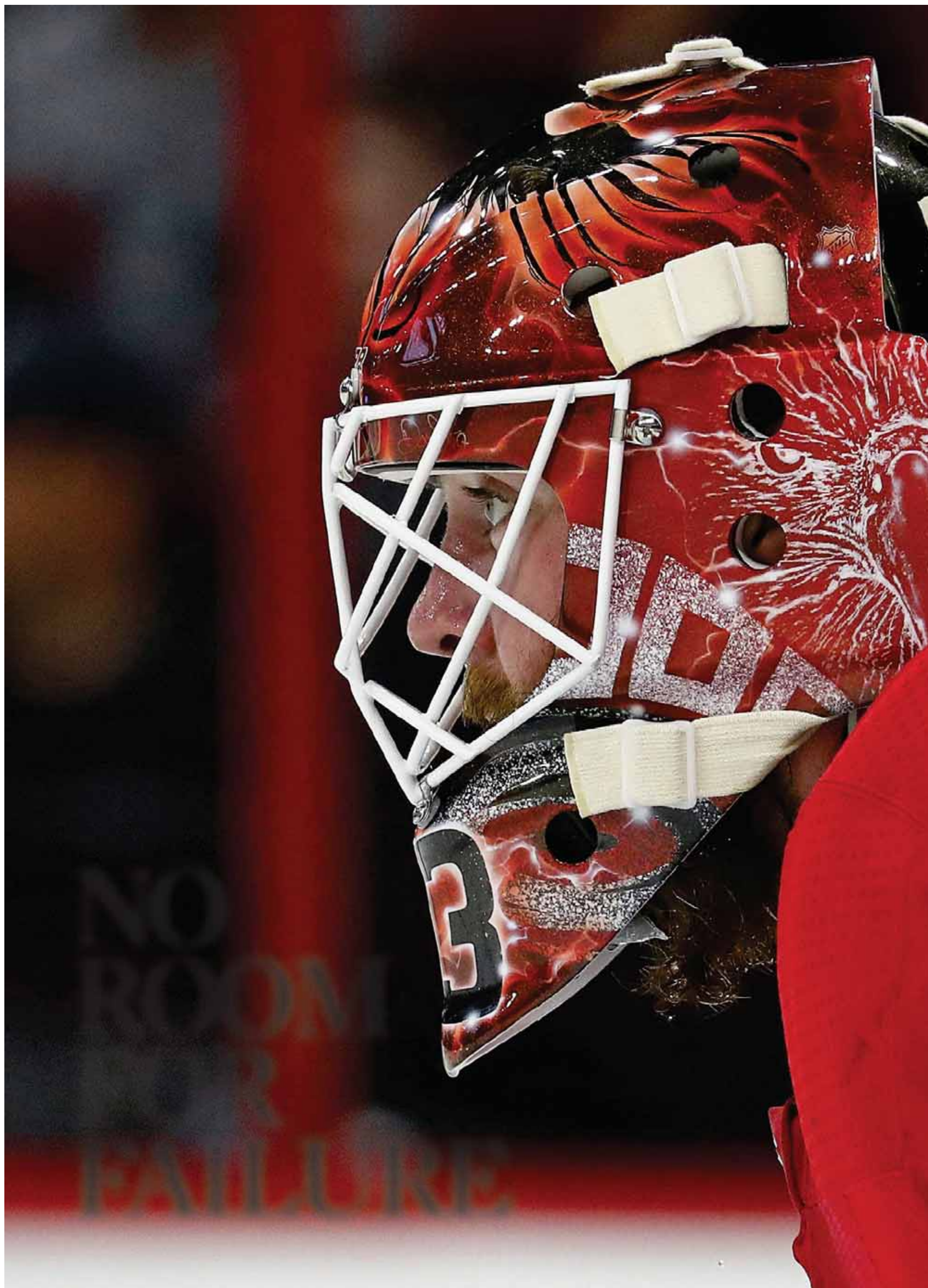
Williams punches ticket to final

By HOWARD FENDRICH Associated Press

LONDON — It's almost as if Serena Williams never left. Even after more than a year away from the tour and a health scare while having a baby a little more than 10 months ago, Williams is still capable of dominance, especially at Wimbledon. A 6-2, 6-4 semifinal victory over 13th-seeded Julia Goerges on Thursday put Williams into her 10th final at the All England Club and moved her closer to a 24th Grand Slam title, which would equal Margaret Court's record. "It's crazy," said Williams, a seven-time champion at Wimbledon. "A lot of people were saying, 'Oh, she should be in the final,' (but) I don't even know how to feel because I didn't expect to do this well in my fourth tournament back. "When I don't have anything to lose, I can play so free, and that's kind of what I'm doing. I'm taking everything as it is and just enjoying every moment." After hitting five aces with a serve that reached 119 mph and delivering 16 winners while making only seven unforced errors against Goerges, Williams will face 11th-seeded Angelique Kerber on Saturday. Kerber, a former No. 1 and two-time major champion, used a seven-game run to beat 12th-seeded Jelena Ostapenko 6-3, 6-3. Kerber did not dictate much, content to let 2017 French Open champion Ostapenko determine the outcome of nearly every point. By the end, Ostapenko had far more winners, 30-10, but also far more unforced errors, 36-7. Williams versus Kerber will be a rematch of the 2016 final at Wimbledon, which Williams won for a second consecutive title. She then sat out the grass-court tournament last year while pregnant, part of a 16-month gap between majors. "Seeing her back, it's great," said Kerber, who has lost six of eight previous matches against Williams. "I know that she is always pushing you to the limits to play your best tennis. This is the only chance to beat her." Williams' match against Goerges featured two of the best servers around and began quite evenly, until 2-all, 30-all. Goerges, the first seeded player Williams has faced at Wimbledon, showed she was capable of trading power from the baseline. But she couldn't keep up with Williams, who grabbed 18 of 22 points and five consecutive games to close the first set and begin the next. Williams took a 4-2 lead in the second when Goerges tried a rare drop shot that caught the top of the net tape and fell on her side. There was one brief blip to come: Williams got broken for the only time while serving for the match at 5-3. Immediately, though, she broke back at love to end it, smiling widely and placing her left fist on her chest when Goerges' last shot landed long. "She brings her 'A' game in a lot of important moments," Goerges said. The victory over Goerges extended Williams' winning streak at Wimbledon to 20 matches, dating to the start of the 2015 edition.



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Former Blackhawks goaltender Scott Darling endured a forgettable first year in Carolina, where he posted one of the worst statistical seasons for a goalie in hockey's modern era.

## Ex-Hawk Darling's 1st year in Carolina was a bust, so he's trying to make amends

BY LUKE DECOCK  
Raleigh News & Observer

**R**ALEIGH, N.C. — One of several tattoos on Scott Darling's right forearm is of a phoenix, that mythical creature that rose from the ashes. The same image is on his goalie mask, a reminder of his unlikely climb from castaway at the lowest level of pro hockey to Stanley Cup champion with the Blackhawks.

He arrives at the Performance Academy in Raleigh on a steamy Monday in July at the beginning of a different ascent: trying to work his way back from one of the worst seasons by a goalie in the NHL's modern era and into the good graces of the Hurricanes.

There's not much on the line, just his career and the Hurricanes' nine-year playoff drought.

Bill Burniston, the Hurricanes' strength and conditioning coach, is waiting for Darling, who arrives wearing USA Hockey shorts from

his recent stint with the national team at the world championships. A few other athletes are working out, teenage baseball and hockey players, but it's a holiday week and the cavernous gym is mostly empty.

Burniston puts down his coffee and warms up with Darling by playing catch. This isn't part of the program, but Darling has a new baseball glove he's trying to break in.

Soon he's on the indoor turf field surrounded by four LED lights on stands, set up in a square about 20 feet on a side. Darling has to dance between them, responding as they turn on and off, constantly shuffling and changing direction.

Cam Ward, who arrived at the gym shortly after Darling, a day after signing as a free agent to fill Darling's old job as a backup for the Hawks, joins him for some of the workout.

"A good ankle-breaker," Darling said.

"If I wanted to break your ankles, I'd do other things," Bur-

niston said.

"I'm getting turf burn (because) I'm moving so fast."

"Your feet are smoking."

It's the kind of offseason workout NHL players all over the world are doing to get ready for the season, and it's what Darling apparently wasn't doing last summer when he signed a four-year, \$16.6 million contract, came into camp out of shape, struggled in net and became the single most critical factor why the Hurricanes missed the playoffs yet again (although there were several).

"If Darling has just an average season, and I think he's going to have one better than that, we will be a playoff team," former owner Peter Karmanos said before the season.

Darling did not — and the Hurricanes were not. They never won more than four games in a row. Of their five winning streaks of three or four games, four ended with a switch from Ward to Darling in net. He was the ultimate cooler, the guy one hopes never sits down at the blackjack table.

His general manager got fired and his coach left before he could get fired. The Hurricanes' new management team did have one opportunity to trade Darling's

contract this summer but decided his history as a backup with the Hawks offered enough reason to gamble that Darling, properly supported and motivated and still only 29, could recapture his previous form.

Wherever he is headed — and nobody knows how any of this will work out — this is where it begins. Four weeks in, Darling has lost at least 15 pounds and looks leaner and more defined, even if his red beard remains just as bushy.

The Hurricanes are more concerned about his body fat than his raw weight and don't want to track either closely at this early point in the process, but it's safe to say he's closer to his roster weight of 232 pounds than he was when last season started or ended.

There is a long way still to go.

All of which leads to one very obvious question with no obvious answer: Why wasn't Darling doing this last year?

"I'm not really sure," he said. "It was a weird summer for me. I'd grown comfortable in Chicago. I'm from Chicago. That was the longest I'd played for a team — three years. ... I had a life there, I had a house there.

"(Going to Carolina) was a big move for me personally. I think I just let my foot off the gas and figured it would work out as is. I learned pretty quickly you can't do that at this level."

### Sweating in the spotlight

In Darling's first public appearance after the Hurricanes traded a third-round pick to get him from the Hawks last summer, he met with the local media in the center of the locker room, the usual triangle gaggle of four or five television cameras and a dozen or so people. At 6-foot-6, Darling stood high above the fray.

The sweat started as a trickle, a drop off the tip of his nose. Midway through the interview he was sweating so badly a Hurricanes media-relations staffer had to bring him a towel to wipe his face. It was a full-on, Albert Brooks in "Broadcast News," soaked-shirt episode. This was unusual enough to raise a few eyebrows.

"I have never seen that before," WTVD sports anchor Joe Mazur, in attendance that day, said later.

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All the same, it fit with Darling's story. Here was a guy whose acknowledged social anxiety was so crippling that he nearly drank himself out of the sport at one point as he self-medicated with alcohol. He got thrown out of college, went unsigned by the team that drafted him and tumbled down the ladder until he finally wrestled with all of it. He hit bottom, got help and became the first player to rise from the lowest level of professional hockey — the SPHL, the southern bus league known for fisticuffs and cheap beer — to the NHL. Put Darling in front of a bunch of television cameras, and he's so uncomfortable his body starts to rebel. Put him on the ice, alone in his mask and gear, anonymous behind that armor against the world, and he can play at an elite level.

That's how he rebuilt his career, from the SPHL to the ECHL to the AHL to the Predators to the Hawks, where he was a critical piece of their 2015 championship team, stepping in unexpectedly to win three playoff games on the way to the Stanley Cup, posting spectacular numbers in limited action.

That was the Darling the Hurricanes thought they were getting, the understudy from Lemont ready for the big time, the one then-general manager Ron Francis signed to that gargantuan contract, the ultimate gesture of blind faith in a goalie who had never played more than 40 games in a season.

Instead, they got something they were never expecting. "He came last year to camp (and) was out of shape," current Hurricanes GM Don Waddell said. "He never got in shape all year."

It was hard to tell just how unfit Darling was when he arrived at training camp. His weight and body fat certainly didn't appear to meet NHL standards, but the Hurricanes didn't know him well enough then to know just how far below standards they were.

There's an element of trust with any new player that he'll show up in prime condition, to make a good first impression if nothing else. Last September, that was all they had to go on.

"It looked like his weight (and) body comp (fat) was up," Burniston said. "Those are some things that we saw at first. ... His testing numbers didn't really send up too many red flags for us.

"It's very difficult when a player comes in, a new player. You have to develop a rapport with (him). It's hard because you don't know what his peak was. You suspect it's not where we want it."

Darling was OK — not outstanding but certainly passable — for the first two months of the season before things turned sour. It's hard to pinpoint exactly when, but Nov. 22 might have been it.

A harmless flip from center ice by Rangers forward Mika Zibanejad somehow eluded Darling's mitt, ending up in the net and on blooper reels forever. It was the Rangers' second goal in the opening 150 seconds. Darling would go on to allow four more in a 6-1 loss while facing only 21 shots.

## 'Everything was going wrong'

Darling became a rotating selection of technical flaws. One game his glove was slow, the next he was too far out of his net, the next he was weak on his post.

Darling was scrambling, overcompensating, lost. He compares it now to quicksand: The harder he fought, the more he sank.

"It just seemed everything was going wrong when I got in the net," he said.

By the time then-coach Bill Peters mercilessly left him in for all eight goals of an 8-1 road loss to the Maple Leafs just before Christmas, Darling was shot.

Physically, he might have been in good enough shape to play once a week as a backup, but he couldn't handle the load of being a night-in, night-out starter. (The Leafs game was the second half of a back-to-back; Darling had earned the start with a solid performance in a home win the night before.)

Mentally, he was in even worse shape.

What do you do when putting on that mask only makes things worse? Where do you hide when your place of refuge becomes a personal hell?

Darling would go home to an empty apartment to stew. As alone as he may have been there, he dreaded returning to the rink, where nothing seemed to go



PHOTOS BY JULIA WALL/RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

Hurricanes goaltender Scott Darling has been going through rigorous training this summer in an attempt to be better prepared physically for the season ahead and win back the confidence of his teammates.



Hurricanes strength and conditioning coach Bill Burniston helps goalie Scott Darling get through a workout.



Scott Darling checks his progress while riding a stationary bike at The Performance Academy in Raleigh, N.C.

right, where he felt he was letting his teammates down.

"You're just waiting to go to the rink the next day, not excited about going, and it just snowballs," Darling said. "The months feel long. The season feels long. It's definitely not an ideal way to go through the season."

His teammates could see this; how could they not? But there was nothing they could do to help, technically.

Goalies are an island unto themselves anyway, huddled in the corner with their coach like devotees of some strange cult. But even as colleagues, as people, Darling's teammates felt powerless to intervene.

"The tough part is we didn't really know him," Hurricanes forward Justin Williams said. "We didn't know what was normal for him, what was odd and really, in effect, how to help.

"If you don't know a guy, know his tendencies, what he's done to be successful to this point, it's tough to give advice."

The Hurricanes probably should have traded for a stopgap goalie from another team, a veteran minor-leaguer with NHL experience, to allow Darling a leave of absence to collect himself or even a few weeks in the AHL

to rebuild his confidence. But they did not, nor did they think prospect Alex Nedeljkovic was ready for extended time in the NHL.

So the Hurricanes instead did nothing, leaving Darling to marinate in his increasing despair.

Ward, predictably, wore down under the increased workload after posting excellent numbers as a backup over the first three months.

By January, in Darling's sporadic appearances, the team had started playing completely different in front of him: visibly scared and on the perpetual verge of panic.

The Hurricanes' season fizzled. Darling finished with the worst save percentage of any qualifying goalie in the league and, based on several different advanced metrics, had one of the four worst seasons in the last decade by any goalie to appear in half of his team's games and one of the 11 worst in the last 30 years, per hockey-reference.com.

All of which raises another obvious question, given Darling's personal history: He says alcohol was not part of the problem last season, but he also won't address it specifically beyond that.

"I'm not here to talk about

that," Darling said.

Waddell also declined to comment.

## 'Time to buckle down'

A few things happened after the season came to its merciful conclusion.

The Hurricanes pushed hard for USA Hockey to take Darling to the world championships, and he won a bronze medal in Denmark in a backup role. For the first time in a long time, hockey was fun again. The Hurricanes invited him to speak to their prospects at their development camp last month, an attempt to make him feel more a part of the team.

Most important, Darling was unhappy enough with his performance last season that he was determined not to repeat it.

"I made the decision a while ago that it's time to buckle down and do everything I can possibly do to be the best goalie I can (be) next season, and that's been my whole plan this summer," Darling said.

Waddell said the team has provided Darling access to counseling and other resources, but at a minimum he is expected to arrive at training camp in peak condition. That is why and how

Darling ended up in the gym with Burniston, not just Monday but several days each week of the steamy summer so far.

"I'm really thrilled," Burniston said. "He's been great.

"I didn't know what to expect, to be completely honest. This isn't easy, coming in early in the morning and working all day. I think he's seeing results and that's why he continues to come."

The Hurricanes, by the end of June, had seen enough from Darling in the early part of the offseason that they decided not to pursue a salary-dumping trade or \$8 million contract buyout. They also brought in former Red Wings starter Petr Mrazek as a free agent to compete for the starting goaltender's job.

"When you looked at the free-agent list of goaltenders, they were all kind of the same at that point," Waddell said. "Darling would be the most talented guy in that group, but we needed a commitment from Scott.

"Anything he gets at this point he has to earn. He understands that."

Darling is in the second phase of his summer conditioning program. The first was basic stuff, building a foundation. Eventually, he'll move away from strength training and into more explosive workouts, and then onto the ice.

For now, he's on a cycle that includes four days with Burniston — two days of upper body, one of lower body, one of general training — to go with one day each of Pilates and yoga.

"Sunday is recovery, although I've had to get him to take Sunday off," Burniston said.

"Hey, I was in here on Sunday," Darling interjected, only hearing half the conversation.

"That's what I'm saying," Burniston said. "You're supposed to be off!"

This workout is upper-body focused and the plan includes core strengthening, sprinting, the reaction-time work with the LED lights and a lot of weightlifting, followed by some interval training on the turf and on a resistance bike. Later, after a series of bench presses and biceps work, Darling does 90-second, high-intensity intervals where he lies on his back and has to lift his chest and legs together in various ways.

Ninety seconds of that is interminable. After Darling makes it through his final set, he falls back on the artificial turf, spread-eagle.

"That's the whole idea, right?" Burniston said. "I'm trying to push you to the edge."

Darling has spent enough time on the edge. He needs to find a comfort zone here if he's going to be successful.

These workouts are part of it, giving him the base of fitness he needs to play regularly in the NHL, and that's not something that can be done during the season. It has to be done now, in the summer, when there's time to focus on it.

That's not all. Darling bought a house in north Raleigh. His girlfriend has moved in with him, and they're getting a Great Dane puppy, his first dog of his own. He has a nutritionist to prepare menus and meals. He is doing the things he should have done last summer, but there's nothing he can do now about the past.

"It's all on him, right?" Hurricanes coach Rod Brind'Amour said. "What we all want to see is him put in the time. That will give him the confidence that he put in the work so he's not worrying if he's in shape or done enough. It's not just him, that's anybody. But with him, obviously guys are going to be on him."

There's no way to make amends — to the team, to his teammates, to the fans, to himself — for what happened last season. But Darling still may be able to do something about the future, and his path forward starts in this gym.

"There's not too much else I can do, to be honest," he said. "I've been working out really hard, trying to eat really healthy. It's more just mentally letting last season go, not dwelling on the past, moving forward and being confident in myself."

The mythical phoenix would recreate itself from its own ashes, born anew each time. The myth doesn't specify how easy that was.

Darling has already done it once, in circumstances perhaps more improbable than these, but there is no room to fall short this time. Mrazek, in his own way, has as much to prove as Darling. The competition for playing time in net will be unfettered.

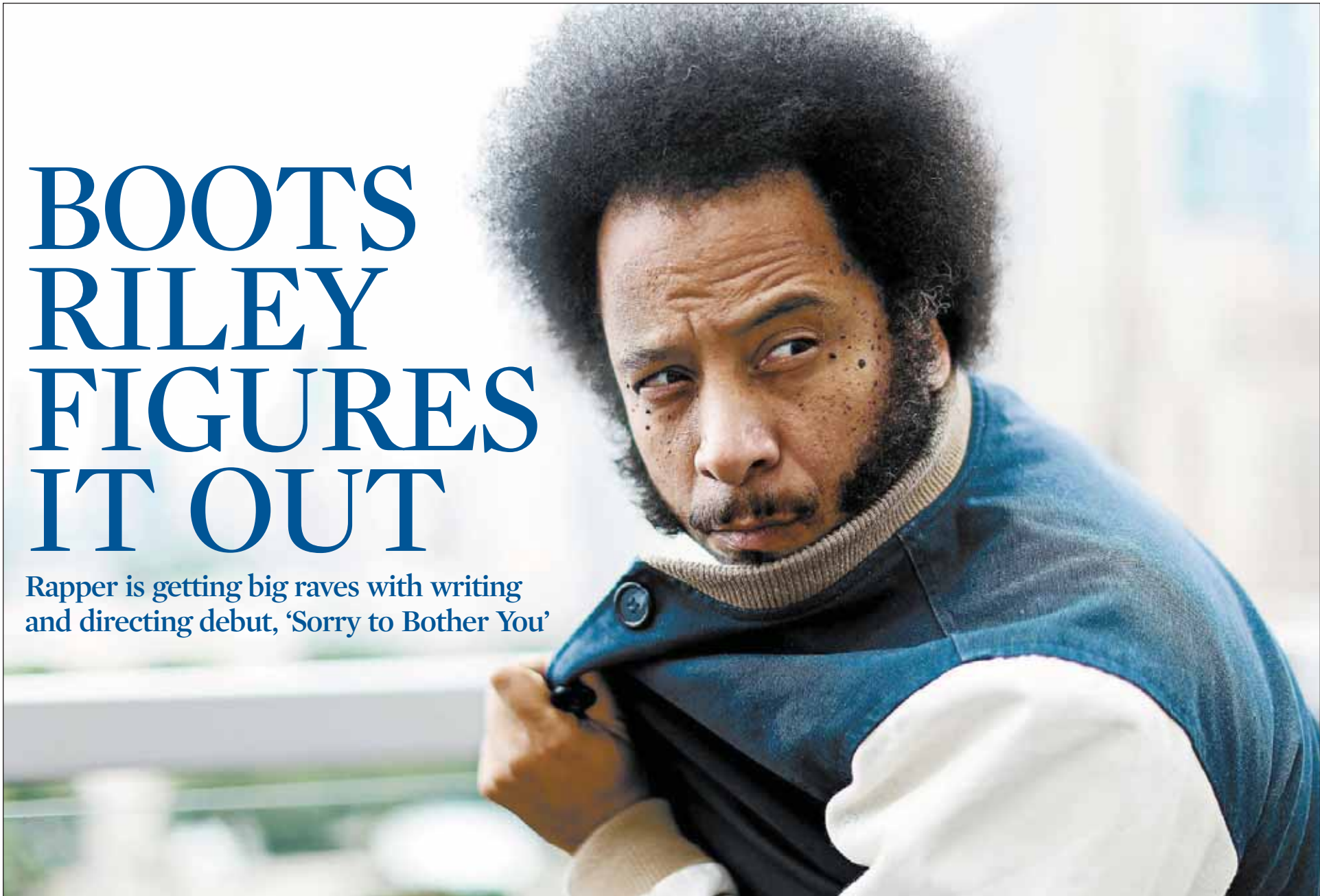
No one knows how this ends, not Darling, not anyone. All he can do is try to get better each day than he was the day before, in the hope that a different kind of summer leads to a different kind of winter.



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# BOOTS RILEY FIGURES IT OUT

Rapper is getting big raves with writing and directing debut, 'Sorry to Bother You'



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**MICHAEL PHILLIPS**  
*Talking Pictures*

For a long time, Chicago-born and Oakland, Calif.-based Boots Riley was “a musician with a script,” as he put it to me the other day, which meant he was a musician with an unproduced script and wobbly prospects for taking the “un” off.

While honing his pitch and making music and doing other projects, he had good, hard reasons to wonder if his wild, rangy, politically fierce and fiercely political dark comedy “Sorry to Bother You” would ever get off the page.

Now 47, Riley finished a first draft in 2012. Then, with his band The Coup, he put out a concept album, also titled

“Sorry to Bother You,” inspired by the screenplay and “talking about the same stuff I’m always talking about,” he says. Capital and labor; racial inequity; organizing the masses against a caste system of privilege; that sort of thing.

In town recently on a promotional tour, Riley picks up the timeline from there. “I had to put that album out to make money, and then we toured, and I ran into Dave Eggers and told him I was thinking about just putting the screenplay online.” Eggers, who grew up in Lake Forest, read it and loved it and printed it in his magazine, McSweeney’s. That was in 2014. And that, Riley says, got him invited to the Sundance Institute development labs, where the first-time writer-director started figuring out how to be a first-time writer-director.

Spoiler alert: He figured it out. Expanding to wide release Friday, six months after its rousing Sundance Film Festival world premiere, “Sorry to Bother You” stars Lakeith Stanfield as

Cassius Green, a telemarketer who, at the urging of a veteran co-worker (Danny Glover), discovers his “white voice” and rises to the top of the company’s food chain. In the story’s increasingly bizarre telling, gradually Cassius learns the real source of his bread and butter. Is Cassius a success story or a sellout?

In its opening weekend, “Sorry to Bother You” made an impressive \$700,000 plus change on a handful of screens, averaging about \$45,000 per theater. As Chicago-based critic and film writer Erik Childress put it Monday morning on Rotten Tomatoes: “All eyes will be on the film when it goes wide next week; (distributor) Annapurna hopes to have one of the biggest hits out of all the Sundance acquisitions this year.”

On Twitter, many raves greeted the first few showings, along with a handful of not-for-me-thanks opinions. Typical of the tweets, one screenwriter said: “Seeing it is one of the reasons I

tossed the latest draft of my script ... Boots has thrown down the gauntlet, challenging us to get dangerous & brave & daring.” Another fan likened the movie to “Ralph Ellison’s ‘Invisible Man’ meets ‘Being John Malkovich.’”

Riley tweaked a few things since the Sundance premiere, sharpening the timing on some visual jokes, clarifying story points. Once Annapurna’s Megan Ellison came on board, Riley shot some additional footage (cost: \$200,000; the initial production budget, he says, was “something like three million”) setting up the climax, where a transformed, newly woke Cassius confronts the morally ghastly CEO of the company known as WorryFree. Armie Hammer plays the antagonist.

At Sundance, Riley says, “Megan got on the phone with me and told me she saw this film as having a place in cinema history. Whether it does or not, I don’t know. But she felt like it needed

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## Netflix tops HBO in Emmy noms

By **LYNN ELBER**  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — “Game of Thrones” roared back onto the Emmy battlefield, topping Thursday’s nominations with 22 bids but facing a formidable opponent in “The Handmaid’s Tale,” last year’s top drama series.

The nominations for the 70th Primetime Emmys held a clear sign of how much the ground is shifting: Streaming service Netflix captured the most nominations overall, 112, taking away a title that HBO held since 2001 and giving broadcast TV more reason to fear its future in awards and viewers.

Donald Glover’s “Atlanta” was the top comedy nominee with 16 bids, poised to take advantage of this year’s absence of three-time winner “Veep.” “Atlanta” will face newcomers, including “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel,” “Glow” and “Barry.”

The revival of “Roseanne,” canceled because of star Roseanne Barr’s racist tweet, drew only one major nomination, a supporting actress nod for Laurie Metcalf. “Will & Grace,” another revival, got Emmy love for nominees Megan Mullally and Molly Shannon but the main

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HBO

Top: Elisabeth Moss, left, and Ann Dowd in “The Handmaid’s Tale,” which earned an outstanding drama series nomination. Above: Peter Dinklage, of “Game of Thrones,” got a supporting actor nod.



JOJO WHILDEN / AP

Trans actress Mj Rodriguez stars as trans woman Blanca in “Pose.”

## Why trans roles should be played by trans actors



**NINA METZ**  
*Chicago Close-up*

Mj Rodriguez is giving the breakout performance of the summer on the FX series “Pose.” Set amid New York’s ballroom culture of the late 1980s, the show focuses on a small community of black and Latinx trans and queer characters including Rodriguez’s Blanca, who strikes out on her own and takes a few friends under her wing while she’s at it.

Blanca is a trans woman. And she is played by a trans actress. Rodriguez may not be a house-

hold name yet, but she is the big thumping heart of the show — it’s a role that straddles both comedy and drama, vulnerability and blazing confidence, high-style and a totally over-the-top ’80s aesthetic. “Pose” won’t be eligible for the Emmys this year (the show premiered a few days after the cutoff date) but let’s hope Rodriguez gets recognition down the line because this is, without question, an award-worthy turn.

The entire cast is filled with talent — specifically trans actors playing trans characters, in their first real major TV roles.

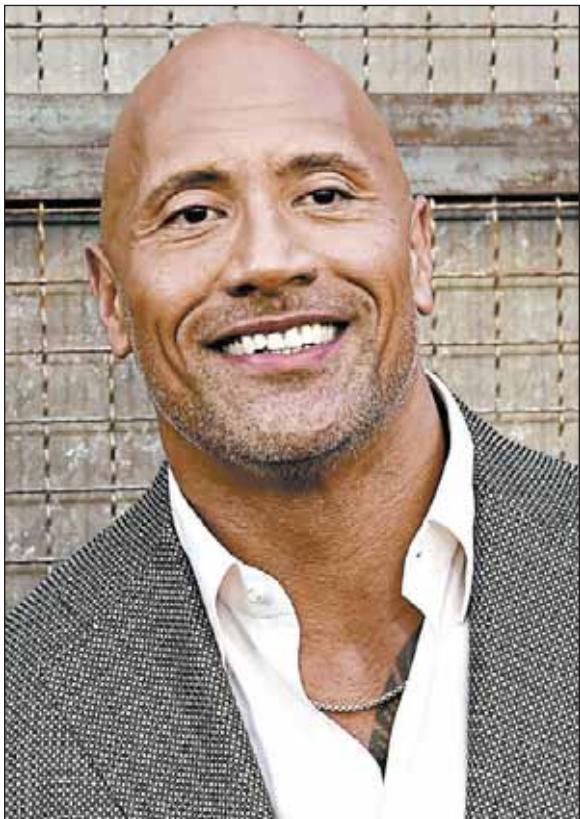
That’s notable because it’s so rare. More often than not, it is a cisgender actor — meaning, a person whose gender corresponds with their birth sex —

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## Johnson champions rights of disabled

Dwayne Johnson plays an amputee in his latest movie. Now he's helping people with disabilities in real life.

Johnson, who plays a former FBI agent with a prosthetic leg in the new action thriller "Skyscraper," said Thursday he's joining the Boston-based Ruderman Family Foundation, a leading voice in calling for more inclusion and opportunities for the disabled.

The actor released a short video calling for more inclusion and opportunities for people with disabilities in the entertainment industry. Johnson said Hollywood has excluded characters and actors with disabilities for too long.

"Our industry has a responsibility to tell inclusive stories, and I hope my character in 'Skyscraper' is an example of that commitment," he said. "I certainly encourage the entire (entertainment) industry to take steps forward to audition and cast actors with disabilities to play characters with and without disabilities. Disability is an essential piece of diversity, and our characters and actors should definitely 100 percent reflect this."

Foundation President Jay Ruderman said Johnson's influence in the entertainment world will help bring about positive change inside and outside Hollywood.

The foundation received a disability awareness award in 2017 from the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

— Associated Press



AMY SUSSMAN/INVISION

**Perry warns fans against scammers:** Tyler Perry is warning fans not to get scammed. The actor, comedian and director in a Facebook video says he's not giving away anything. The 48-year-old directed a strong comment at whoever was making the posts, saying: "Stop it, devil." Perry did not point to anything specific but says there are as many as 30 fake promotions daily that his team shuts down.

**Wilson back in court:** Rebel Wilson has applied to Australia's highest court to increase the comic actress's payout from a defamation case against a magazine publisher. The 38-year-old, best known for parts in the "Pitch Perfect" movies, in September was awarded an Australian record \$3.5 million in damages. But three judges on the Court of Appeal last month upheld an appeal by publishing company Bauer and slashed Wilson's payout to \$454,000. Wilson lodged an application to the High Court Wednesday to restore the ruling.

**RoboCop returns:** RoboCop is coming back. Again. MGM is developing the sequel "RoboCop Returns" with "District 9" and "Elysium" filmmaker Neill Blomkamp directing. The film will be a sequel to Paul Verhoeven's 1987 original about a cyborg police officer in a crime-ridden Detroit. It's to be based on a never-made spec script by the 1987 film's writers, Edward Neumeier and Michael Miner. Two other sequels followed, in 1990 and 1993.

**July 13 birthdays:** Actor Patrick Stewart is 78. Actress Didi Conn is 67. Actor Ken Jeong is 49. Singer Deborah Cox is 45.



# ASK AMY

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## #MeToo moments lead to despair

**Dear Amy:** I have a history of attracting unkind, angry men. I had recently come off a two-year break from dating when my mom's neighbor asked me out. He is about my age, and my mom liked him. He seemed like a nice guy, so I took a chance.

I think he had been drinking before he picked me up. He brought me to a bar and started touching me and trying to kiss me. He also insisted that I drink more — and faster. He seemed to get angry that I wasn't drinking fast enough.

I looked him in the eyes and asked him to please stop, because it made me uncomfortable. He didn't stop.

We then left to go to another bar, where we both drank more until the bartender cut him off. I was eternally grateful because I didn't know how to get away. I thought about taking a cab but I don't know the area and was scared. I thought of Uber or Lyft, but it was late and a holiday. My mom can't drive at night, and was already asleep.

Afterward, we went back to my mom's house and fooled around. He left in the middle of the night. I felt guilty and told myself it was my fault.

What exactly do you do when speaking up and saying no isn't enough? How do we protect ourselves from these predators who won't listen?

I'm so scared I'll be beaten or killed, that I end up allowing men to just do what they want. It's wearing my soul down, and I deserve better.

How can I handle this?  
— Heartsick

**Dear Heartsick:** You used your voice. Good for you. But never, ever, go with a drunk to the second location. What I mean is — when a drunken lout makes you uncomfortable physically, that's when you excuse yourself, get the bartender's attention and ask for help. You say, "I came here with this guy, but now I'm scared. Can you help me?" (The Good Night Out Campaign — [goodnightcampaign.org](#) — trains bartenders and servers in how to intervene when customers are being harassed.)

Do not leave the public place. Other women (and men) will help you. (Recently, I witnessed a drunken harassment situation turning aggressive in a bar, and I called the police.)

You used your own best judgment, but your own alcohol consumption made this harder for you to manage. The way to handle your fears is to learn to be strong. Never override your own fears. A self-defense class could give you more confidence.

The next thing to work on is your own discernment. You are right; you do deserve better. If you say "no" and the person doesn't respect it, the date should end immediately.

There are great and nice guys out there. They will meet you for coffee as a way to get to know you.

**Dear Amy:** A few months ago, I received a "save the date" card from cousins for a wedding reception, to be held six months from now. This couple has been married (with three children and a home) for 10 years!

This week, I received an invitation to a bridal shower for this couple. When they got married, they did not have a wedding reception or any other celebration, because they were wed at the local courthouse.

The wedding reception and bridal shower will take place as if this couple is just being married without this 10-year history. No expense has been spared!

Do you follow usual rules and amounts for gift-giving, or do different rules and amounts apply?  
— Awaiting Your Answer

**Dear Awaiting:** Consider this party to be their wedding reception, on a 10-year tape delay. Given the lead time to this reception, it sounds as if they have been planning and saving for this shindig.

Having a bridal shower is a strange choice, but if you attend the reception, you should give them a gift. You can assume they are registered somewhere.

**Dear Amy:** I'd like to join others who are appalled by your so-called advice to "Say No More?," who refused to house an illegal.

Your political correctness really gets in the way.  
— Appalled

**Dear Appalled:** First of all, a human being is not "an illegal," as many readers pointed out.

Also, being in the U.S. without proper documents is a civil offense, not a criminal one.

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# Emmy nominees have ties to the Chicago area

By TRACY SWARTZ  
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Chicago-area natives Alex Borstein, Jane Lynch, John Mulaney and Mandy Patinkin are among the performers nominated for Emmy Awards on Thursday.

Borstein, who grew up in Deerfield, was recognized for her voice work on "Family Guy" and her supporting role on Amazon's "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel."

Borstein faces other women who have ties to the Chicago area in the comedic supporting actress category. Chicago theater veteran Laurie Metcalf is nominated for "Roseanne"; Columbia College alum Aidy Bryant for "Saturday Night Live" and Northwestern University alum Megan Mullally for "Will & Grace."

Rachel Brosnahan, who grew up in Highland Park, is up for lead comedic actress for "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel." Chicago theater veteran William H. Macy was nominated again for lead actor in a comedy for "Shameless," which is



NICOLE RIVELLI / AMAZON PRIME VIDEO

Alex Borstein, left, and Rachel Brosnahan, who both grew up in the north suburbs, got nods for "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel."

set and partially filmed in Chicago.

Lynch, who was raised in Dolton, garnered nods for her guest role on "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel" and her hosting work on "Hollywood Game Night."

W. Kamau Bell, who spent part of his childhood on the South Side, was also

nominated for best reality TV host for his CNN series "United Shades of America." "United Shades" is also up for a reality program award. Mulaney, a Chicago native, was nominated for a variety special writing award for Netflix's "John Mulaney: Kid Gorgeous at Radio City."

Second City alumni also fared well. Dan Castellaneta, who grew up in Oak Park, was recognized for his voice work on "The Simpsons." Tina Fey garnered a guest actress nod for hosting an episode of "SNL." "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert" is up for variety talk series, while

"At Home with Amy Sedaris" is nominated for variety sketch series. In the variety series writing category, Jenny Hagel and Amber Ruffin are nominated for "Late Night with Seth Meyers"; Ariel Dumas and John Thibodeaux for "The Late Show"; and Katie Rich for "SNL."

On the drama side, Patinkin — who grew up on the South Side — was nominated again for best supporting actor for "Homeland." DePaul University graduate Ann Dowd will defend the supporting actress title she won last year for "The Handmaid's Tale."

"American Crime Story: The Assassination of Gianni Versace," meanwhile, garnered various limited series nominations, including a supporting actress nod for Judith Light, who portrayed Chicago cosmetics and fragrance entrepreneur Marilyn Miglin. Miglin's husband, Chicago real estate tycoon Lee Miglin, was one of the victims of Andrew Cunanan's cross-country killing spree, on which the FX series was based.

"SNL" cast members Colin Hanks and Michael Che are slated to host the Emmys telecast, which is scheduled to begin airing at 7 p.m. Sept. 17 on NBC.

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# 'Game of Thrones' up for top honors

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stars and series itself were snubbed.

"Saturday Night Live," riding high in the ratings with its Trump administration focus, was rewarded with 21 nods.

HBO's fantasy dragons-and-swords saga is a two-time best drama winner that sat out the last year's Emmys because of its production schedule. Although it's up for top series honors but drew only supporting acting bids for cast members Lena Headey, Nikolaj Coster-Waldau and Peter Dinklage.

"The Handmaid's Tale," the dystopian sci-fi series, that claimed top drama honors last year, drew 20 bids, including one for last year's best actress winner,

Elisabeth Moss, and supporting bids for Alexis Bledel, Ann Dowd, Yvonne Strahovski and Joseph Fiennes.

## Nominees in major categories

**Lead actor in a limited series or movie:** Antonio Banderas ("Genius: Picasso"); Darren Criss ("The Assassination of Gianni Versace: American Crime Story"); Benedict Cumberbatch ("Patrick Melrose"); Jeff Daniels ("The Looming Tower"); John Legend ("Jesus Christ Superstar"); Jesse Plemons ("USS Calister")

**Lead actress in a limited series or movie:** Laura Dern ("The Tale"); Jessica

Biel ("The Sinner"); Michelle Dockery ("Godless"); Edie Falco ("The Menendez Murders"); Regina King ("Seven Seconds"); Sarah Paulson ("American Horror Story: Cult")

**Lead actor in a comedy series:** Donald Glover ("Atlanta"); Bill Hader ("Barry"); Anthony Anderson ("Black-ish"); William H. Macy ("Shameless"); Larry David ("Curb Your Enthusiasm"); Ted Danson ("The Good Place")

**Lead actress in a comedy series:** Pamela Adlon ("Better Things"); Rachel Brosnahan ("The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"); Tracee Ellis Ross ("Black-ish"); Allison Janney ("Mom"); Lily Tomlin ("Grace and

Frankie"); Issa Rae ("Insecure")

**Lead actor in a drama series:** Jason Bateman ("Ozark"); Sterling K. Brown ("This Is Us"); Ed Harris ("Westworld"); Matthew Rhys ("The Americans"); Milo Ventimiglia ("This Is Us"); Jeffrey Wright ("Westworld")

**Lead actress in a drama series:** Claire Foy ("The Crown"); Tatiana Maslany ("Orphan Black"); Elisabeth Moss ("The Handmaid's Tale"); Sandra Oh ("Killing Eve"); Keri Russell ("The Americans"); Evan Rachel Wood ("Westworld")

**Comedy series:** "Atlanta" (FX); "Barry" (HBO);



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Lakeith Stanfield, left, and Donald Glover in "Atlanta." Glover got an outstanding lead actor nod.

"Black-ish" (ABC); "Curb Your Enthusiasm" (HBO); "GLOW" (Netflix); "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel" (Amazon); "Silicon Valley" (HBO); "The Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt" (Netflix)

**Drama series:** "The Handmaid's Tale" (Hulu); "Game of Thrones" (HBO); "This Is Us" (NBC); "The Crown" (Netflix); "The Americans" (FX); "Stranger Things" (Netflix); "Westworld" (HBO)







‘EATING ANIMALS’★★★

# Taking aim at factory animal farming’s evils

By ROBERT ABELE  
Los Angeles Times

With a title like “Eating Animals,” unless you’re familiar with author Jonathan Safran Foer’s 2009 book and the personal journey it lays out, you may assume Christopher Quinn’s documentary adaptation will be primed to harangue carnivores, fortify vegans and generally make us all feel bad about meat and what its consumption is doing to the planet.

That guess wouldn’t be entirely wrong, although to be a meat-eater doesn’t mean not caring about the treatment of animals — Foer himself is a flexitarian — and it should be on everyone’s mind how detrimental industrialized animal-processing is to the environment. But Quinn, Foer and executive producer Natalie Portman, who narrates, aren’t out to harsh your summer barbecue buzz (well, not totally), even as they vividly take aim at factory animal farming’s well-documented evils.

The movie has a more



Heritage turkey farmer Frank Reese offers an alternative to factory animal farming.

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sublime melancholy in mind, in that it openly rues a way of life lost when those who once earned a solid living working the earth traditionally, growing crops as well as humanely raising livestock, ultimately became useless to a corporatized supply chain focused on efficiency, abundance and bottom lines. With health and climate concerns deep-

ening as a direct consequence, the question becomes, at what cost is our meal of cheap, convenient meat?

As for the humans caught up in this maelstrom, the filmmakers show complex, emotional figures — such as heritage turkey farmer Frank Reese, who’d rather save his colorful birds than have to sell them, and whistleblower

Jim Keen, who called out the USDA on animal cruelty in its research labs — than name obvious villains. (Even its brief interlude on Kentucky Fried Chicken founder Colonel Sanders, whose original recipe led to mechanized poultry farming, acknowledges that Sanders once had a passion for quality that got lost as business boomed.) Big Agriculture knows

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**Running time:** 1:35  
**Opens:** Friday

how shaky the relationship between eater and food gets when technological and business might turns into mass animal mistreatment. The minimum of effort to learn the inner workings of these animal factories — just driving by, for instance — is met with surveillance and security questions.

Especially highlighted is the plight of chicken farmer Craig Watts (who you may have seen on John Oliver’s HBO show when it exposed draconian poultry contracts). His agreement with Perdue Farms not only created a never-ending debt hole but also prevented the kind-eyed Watts from making changes to improve the health and care of his animals. To feed the beast of factory farming, “Eating Animals” makes abundantly clear, even humans who do the heavy lifting of animal raising are treated like an exploitable, ex-

pendable commodity. The McNugget may be a ubiquitous American symbol of food economy, but the industry that created it, the movie argues, is practically Soviet in its centralized, controlling design.

And yet because “Eating Animals” envisions a kinder future, in which more responsible eating brings about more traditional farming, Quinn leans into his visual juxtapositions. Yes, you will see plenty of drug-injected creatures engineered to suffer for more marketable (read: plumper) flesh, and shots of disturbingly pink lagoons of waste near hog processing plants that one activist calls a “fecal marinade.” But you’ll also see lots of Reese’s inspiringly gorgeous, flapping and fluttering turkeys, and at a Niman Ranch farm, charming footage of puttering, slop-happy pigs. The message is clear, and memorably rendered: Care about where your meat comes from, because then you might eat less of it, feel better when you do eat it, and cause a little less suffering in the world.

‘SKYSCRAPER’ ★★

# Dwayne Johnson shows off his dramatic acting chops

By KATIE WALSH  
Tribune News Service

The hardest-working man in showbiz, Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson debuts his third blockbuster action flick in nine months this weekend. The descriptively titled “Skyscraper,” which comes on the heels of “Rampage” and “Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle,” is written and directed by Rawson Marshall Thurber, who directed Johnson in the very funny buddy comedy “Central Intelligence.” “Skyscraper” — a sort of reverse “Die Hard,” where a family man breaks into an imposing structure to save his family — scoots by on the thinnest of premises, and an even thinner script.

While it’s a completely disposable story, “Skyscraper” is fascinating simply for Thurber’s fascination with evolving Johnson’s star persona. In “Central Intelligence,” he cast Johnson against type, liberating him from gruff meathead roles and uncovering his goofy comedic talent. In “Skyscraper,” Thurber takes Johnson to a darker, grittier place. Johnson’s Will Sawyer is tough as nails, using brute force, blunt instruments and plenty of duct tape to rescue his family from a burning building. He barely even touches a gun.

In so many of his films, Johnson is like some comic book superhero: cartoonishly strong, his biceps bulging to an unimaginable size. But in “Skyscraper,” Thurber seeks to diminish that strength. The camera looks down on him rather than up, and he’s in rumpled business casual rather than tactical spandex. It makes him more human before we watch him perform feats of strength and derring-do using simple machines, like Buster



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Neve Campbell, left, and Dwayne Johnson star as a heroic couple in the blockbuster action movie “Skyscraper.”

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**Running time:** 1:42  
**Opens:** Friday

Keaton on human-growth hormone.

Thurber literally handicaps Will, who loses his leg in a bombing as an FBI rescue team leader 10 years before the events of the film. He loses the limb but gains a wife, Sarah (Neve Campbell), the surgeon who operated on him. They’re in Hong Kong with their twins at the world’s tallest skyscraper, The Pearl, where Will is putting in a bid as a security consultant for the city in the sky. Scams, theft, arson and double-crosses ensue, and soon Will is outside The Pearl, which is on fire, trying to get in to save his trapped family as a team of thieves is trying to get out.

One has to wonder if the entirety of “Skyscraper” was reverse-engineered around a single stunt, wherein Will leaps from a construction crane into a crashed-open window of The Pearl. The leap does draw gasps and cheers from the audience — both

the one in the theater, and the onscreen audience of onlookers watching Will’s exploits on news screens on the street. This screen-within-a-screen device is a little slice of meta commentary laced throughout that visualizes the literal spectacle of Johnson and his physical capabilities.

This depiction of how we see Johnson as an action star, and the twists in his evolution as a performer are what make “Skyscraper” interesting to watch. The charm is turned down, the seriousness turned up and Johnson pulls it off. It’s also a refreshing change to see him have a fully realized romantic partner for once, and Campbell gets her own set of heroics to perform.

Otherwise, the plot is strangely simplistic, the special effects murky and chaotic. The cast is stacked with an array of international actors, no doubt to appeal to a global audience.

Thurber’s storytelling is rote at best, scanty in some places, but the performers sell it with all they’ve got. “Skyscraper” is standard issue, but it makes for a compelling entry in the story of Johnson’s stardom, and his total Hollywood domination.



SONY PICTURES

Adam Sandler returns to voice Dracula in “Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation.”

‘HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 3’ ★★★

# Monsters on the Love Boat

By RICK BENTLEY  
Tribune News Service

It’s all about the zing. If you are not up on monster speak, the term zing refers to what happens once in the life of a vampire, mummy, werewolf, etc. It’s that moment when they know they have found the one true love in their life.

In the case of “Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation,” Dracula (voiced by Adam Sandler) learns it’s possible to zing more than once as he meets the new once-in-a-lifetime love of his life during a monster sea cruise. While Dracula zings again, this third offering in the offbeat look at the world of ghouls and monsters doesn’t come close to having the same zing as the first or second offering. It’s fun, and director Genndy Tartakovsky (“The Powerpuff Girls”) knows how to keep the action moving because of all his work in television animation, but the change of approach when dealing with Dracula coupled with the setting switch leaves the production just a little light on zing.

“Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation” picks up with the getaway destination for creatures doing booming business. Things are going so well that a

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**Running time:** 97 minutes  
**Opens:** Friday

break is needed and the group books passage on the first monster cruise, which will take them from the Bermuda Triangle to the found city of Atlantis. The trip becomes a monster version of “The Love Boat” as Dracula does what he has thought was impossible: He falls in love again. The problem is she’s the last in the long line of Van Helsing’s, who have made it their life’s work to kill Dracula.

The most enjoyable part of the first two films was how every nerve in Dracula’s batty body was stretched to the limit by being a single father and grandfather.

In “Hotel Transylvania,” the problem was that a human who had found the spa for the supernatural fell in love with Dracula’s daughter, Mavis (voiced by Selena Gomez). The follow-up had Dracula and his buddies trying to bring out the monster in his half-human, half-vampire grandson as a way of keeping Mavis from leaving the hotel.

Seeing Dracula flabbergasted makes for plenty of

fun because Sandler has a way of making his voice sound both commanding and confused. It’s not quite the same when his emotional confusion comes from Dracula falling in love with the captain of the cruise ship.

There’s also something a little disconcerting about the action shifting from the hotel to the ship. In the hotel, Dracula is pulled between his personal and professional problems. Once he leaves the hotel, half the angst is gone.

That being said, “Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation” is a visual splendor, from the fun way the creatures are portrayed to the pacing. Keeping Tartakovsky as director of all three films creates a fluid sense of comedy and look.

If you are a fan of Tartakovsky’s “Dexter’s Laboratory,” it will be obvious the inspiration for Ericka comes from the wildly silly and charmingly annoying character of Dee Dee.

The best examples of both can be seen in the sequences dealing with the werewolf couple of Wayne (Steve Buscemi) and Wanda (Molly Shannon). The parents of a continuously growing pack is a sight gag that always works, plus it features the most energy of any of the monstrous characters.

## PARENTS GUIDE

Advice about films kids may want to see — whatever the rating — in theaters now or opening soon

By KATIE WALSH | Tribune News Service



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◀ **‘SKYSCRAPER’**  
PG-13  
**What it’s about:** A security consultant breaks into a high-tech skyscraper to save his family.  
**The kid attractor factor:** The action-adventure spectacle and star Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson will be a big draw for younger and teen audiences.  
**Violence:** Some shooting, extreme and dangerous stunts, arson, fighting, stabbing, etc. Children in peril.  
**Language:** Only briefly.  
**Sexuality:** A kiss between husband and wife.  
**Drugs:** None.  
**Parents advisory:** Violent and scary, but OK for older kids and teens.

**‘ANT-MAN AND THE WASP’**  
PG-13  
**What it’s about:** The sequel to “Ant-Man” adds a hero — The (amazing) Wasp. They search for her mother in the subatomic realm.  
**The kid attractor factor:** The humor and Marvel heroes, as well as the action-adventure comic book genre.  
**Violence:** Many super-power-enhanced fights, which are enlivened by the size-swapping; car chases, shooting, etc.  
**Language:** None.  
**Sexuality:** None.  
**Drugs:** None.  
**Parents advisory:** Too action-packed and scary for the littlest kids.

**‘SORRY TO BOTHER YOU’**  
R  
**What it’s about:** A surreal anti-capitalist satire about a telemarketer who makes his way to the top and isn’t happy with what he finds there.  
**The kid attractor factor:** Some teens may be drawn to the cool vibes and soundtrack.  
**Violence:** Some protest-style violence.  
**Language:** Swearing throughout.  
**Sexuality:** Some graphic sex scenes and full frontal nudity.  
**Drugs:** Marijuana and cocaine use.  
**Parents advisory:** This is not for kids — mature teens only.



## WATCH THIS: FRIDAY



Steve DiSchiavi

**“The Dead Files”** (8 p.m., TRAVEL): “Revealed: Controlled — Estill Springs, Tennessee,” an “enhanced” version of an earlier episode, takes paranormal investigators Steve DiSchiavi and Amy Allan to a family home in Middle Tennessee, where the husband and father is behaving in a manner that suggests he may be under some sort of paranormal influence. History of the property reveals that a previous owner endured several calamities.

**“Friday the 13th, Part 2”** (6 p.m., PARMT): Check the actual date, and it should be no surprise that this thriller is turning up as part of a marathon of movies about homicidal Jason Voorhees and his various targets — most of them quite nubile and possessed of great shrieks. Adrienne King and Betsy Palmer return from the original film, with Amy Steel also notable in the cast as another session at deceptively tranquil Crystal Lake gets under way.

**“Quantico”** (7 p.m., ABC): Personal tragedies that befall both Owen and McQuigg (Blair Underwood, Alan Powell) suggest that someone may be targeting their loved ones in the new episode “No Place is Home.” The situation sparks alarm for their colleagues, who fear their own relatives may be in harm’s way. Timothy V. Murphy guest stars. Priyanka Chopra, Jake McLaughlin, Johanna Braddy, Russell Tovey and Marlee Matlin also star.

**“The Orville”** (8 p.m., FOX): Ed and Gordon (Seth MacFarlane, Scott Grimes) try to make their way aboard a Krill ship and learn as many details about the enemy as possible in the aptly titled “Krill.” The main object of their mission is to get their hands on the Arthkana, a document that spells out just about everything needed to be known about the opposition.

**“C.B. Strike”** (9 p.m., 10 p.m., Cinemax): This miniseries presentation of three mysteries by Robert Galbraith (author J.K. Rowling) draws to a close in “Career of Evil: Part 2,” which finds London private eye Cormoran Strike (Tom Burke) hitting several local strip clubs seeking information on Niall Brockbank (Andrew Brooke), one of the murder suspects, while the killer continues to taunt them.

**“Mission: Impossible”** (9:02 p.m., Starz): In this 1996 revision of the TV series, which launched a still-ongoing movie franchise, the Impossible Missions Force almost is wiped out while trying to find a mole who infiltrated the group and disappeared with sensitive data. Disguise expert Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) survives the failed mission and learns it was actually a setup to find a traitor within the IMF — and he’s now the prime suspect. He assembles a new team to find the real villain and is plunged into the most convoluted and dangerous mission of his career. Henry Czerny, Emmanuelle Beart and Vanessa Redgrave also star.

## TALK SHOWS

**“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon”** (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Jared Leto; Alessia Cara talks and performs.\*

**“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert”** (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Carey Mulligan; experiments with Kate the Chemist.\*

**“Jimmy Kimmel Live”** (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.\*

\* Subject to change

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## FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 13

	MOVIES									
	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00		
BROADCAST	<b>CBS</b> 2	Whistleblower (Series Premiere) (N) © 10	Hawaii Five-0: “Na Keiki a Kalaihaohia.” © 10	Blue Bloods: “Legacy.” © 10	News (N) ♦					
	<b>NBC</b> 5	American Ninja Warrior: “Minneapolis City Qualifiers.” © 10	Dateline NBC: “Jonestown: An American Tragedy.” (N)	NBC 5 News (N) ♦						
	<b>ABC</b> 7	Quantico: “No Place Is Home.” (N) © 10	(8:01) What Would You Do? (N) © 10	(9:01) 20/20 (N) © 10	News at 10pm (N) ♦					
	<b>WGN</b> 9	MLB Baseball: Kansas City Royals at Chicago White Sox. From Guaranteed Rate Field in Chicago. (N) (Live) © 10	From Guaranteed Rate Field in Chicago. (N) (Live) © 10	From Guaranteed Rate Field in Chicago. (N) (Live) © 10	WGN News at Ten (N)					
	<b>Antenna</b> 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy		
	<b>This TV</b> 9.3	Meteor Man (PG, '93) ★★	Robert Townsend. ©	Norbit (PG-13, '07) ★	Eddie Murphy. ♦					
	<b>PBS</b> 11	Chi. Tonight: Review (N)	The Interview Show	Check, Please!	Remember Chicago	The Great British Baking Show: “Pies.” (N) ©		Twain Prize ♦		
	<b>The U</b> 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	The Game	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©			
	<b>MeTV</b> 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett		
	<b>H&amp;I</b> 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek ♦			
CABLE	<b>Bounce</b> 26.5	One on One	One on One	Akeelah and the Bee (PG, '06) ★★★	Laurence Fishburne.					
	<b>FOX</b> 32	The Resident: “None the Wiser.” © 10	The Orville: “Krill.” © 10	Fox 32 News (N)	Flannery Fired Up	Modern Family ©				
	<b>Ion</b> 38	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime					
	<b>TeleM</b> 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) ©	Sin Senos Si (N)	El señor de los cielos (N)	Chicago (N)					
	<b>CW</b> 50	Masters of	Masters of	Penn & Teller: Fool Us	American Ninja Warrior	Ninja ♦				
	<b>UniMas</b> 60	♦ Reto 4 elementos	La jefa del campeón		República Mundialista © ♦					
	<b>WJYS</b> 62	Kenneth Cox Ministries	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Monument			
	<b>Univ</b> 66	El rico y Lázaro (N)	La bella y las bestias (N)	El Chavo (N)	Noticias (N)					
	<b>AE</b>	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©	Live PD: “Live PD -- 07.13.18.” (N) © ♦							
	<b>AMC</b>	The Shawshank Redemption (R, '94) ★★ ★★	Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman. ©	Unforgiven ♦						
PREMIUM	<b>ANIM</b>	Insane Pools: Deep End	Insane Pools (N)	Treehouse	Treehouse	Insane ♦				
	<b>BBCA</b>	The X-Files: “William.” ©	The X-Files: “The Truth.”	X-Files ♦						
	<b>BET</b>	♦ (5:30) 2018 BET Awards		Hit the Floor: “Slay.”	Basket.					
	<b>BIGTEN</b>	BTN Football in 60 ©	Unbeaten: Berringer	Nebraska	Ten’s Best					
	<b>BRAVO</b>	♦ Charm (7:16)	Talladega Nights (PG-13, '06) ★★	Will Ferrell.	Talladega Nights ★★ © ♦					
	<b>CLTV</b>	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic. Best	Weekend	Politics		
	<b>CNBC</b>	Undercover Boss ©	Undercover Boss ©	Undercover Boss ©	The Profit ♦					
	<b>CNN</b>	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	Tonight (N) ♦					
	<b>COM</b>	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Kevin Hart	Comedy ♦			
	<b>DISC</b>	BattleBots (N) ©	Cooper’s Treasure (N) ©	Operation Thai Cave (N)	Treasure ♦					
PREMIUM	<b>DISN</b>	Andi Mack	Raven	Stuck	Big City	Bizaardvark	Raven	Andi Mack		
	<b>E!</b>	Botched ©	Botched ©	Botched ©	Botched ©	E! News ♦				
	<b>ESPN</b>	♦ Boxing (N)	2018 World Series of Poker: Final Table. (N) (Live)	SportCtr (N)						
	<b>ESPN2</b>	NFL Live ©	CFL Football: Toronto Argonauts at Edmonton Eskimos. (N) (Live) ♦							
	<b>FNC</b>	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) ©	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News					
	<b>FOOD</b>	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive				
	<b>FREE</b>	♦ 10 Things I Hate	(7:50) Monster-in-Law (PG-13, '05) ★★ ©		700 Club ♦					
	<b>FX</b>	Jurassic World (PG-13, '15) ★★	Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard. ©	Pose © ♦						
	<b>HALL</b>	Finding Santa (NR, '17)	Jodie Sweetin. ©	The Sweetest Christmas (NR, '17) ♦						
	<b>HGTV</b>	Dream	Dream	My Aloha (N)	Dream	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters		
PREMIUM	<b>HIST</b>	American Pick. (N)	Evel Live: Supercharged (N) ©	Pickers ♦						
	<b>HLN</b>	Inside Evil-Cuomo	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic		
	<b>IFC</b>	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men		
	<b>LIFE</b>	The Closer ©	The Closer: “Batter Up.”	(9:03) The Closer ©	The Closer ♦					
	<b>MSNBC</b>	All In With Chris Hayes	Richard Engel On Assign	The Last Word (N)	11th Hour (N)					
	<b>MTV</b>	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild/Out (N)			
	<b>NBCSCH</b>	Insd. Look	Fair Play: Youth Sports	Pregame (N)	MLB Baseball: Cubs at Padres (N)					
	<b>NICK</b>	Double (N)	SpongeBob	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG, '04) ★★ ★	Friends ♦					
	<b>Ovation</b>	♦ (6:30) The Quick and the Dead (R, '95) ★★	Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves ★★ ♦							
	<b>OWN</b>	Suppers	Suppers	Tia Mowry	Tia Mowry	Ayesha	Ayesha	20/20 ♦		
PREMIUM	<b>OXY</b>	Dateline: Secrets (Season Premiere) (N)	Snapped ©	Snapped ©	Snapped ♦					
	<b>PARMT</b>	♦ Friday the 13th, Part 2 ★	Bellator MMA Live (N) (Live) ©	Friday 13 ♦						
	<b>SYFY</b>	Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone (PG, '01) ★★ ★	Daniel Radcliffe. ©	Harry P ♦						
	<b>TBS</b>	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice (PG-13, '16) ★★	Ben Affleck. ©	ELEAGUE						
	<b>TCM</b>	The Girl in White (NR, '52) ★★ ©	(8:45) You Belong to Me (NR, '41) ★★ ©							
	<b>TLC</b>	90 Day Fiancé (N)	90 Day Fiancé (N)	90 Day (N)	Outdaugh.	90 Day ♦				
	<b>TLN</b>	Camp Meeting	Life Today	Dare	Living-Edge					
	<b>TNT</b>	Captain America: Civil War (PG-13, '16) ★★ ★	Chris Evans. ©	Focus ★★ ♦						
	<b>TOON</b>	Dragon Ball	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Family Guy			
	<b>TRAV</b>	Ghost Adventures ©	The Dead Files (N) ©	The Dead Files (N) ©	Kindred ♦					
PREMIUM	<b>TVL</b>	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King		
	<b>USA</b>	Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone (PG, '01) ★★ ★	Daniel Radcliffe. ©	Harry P ♦						
	<b>VH1</b>	Coyote Ugly (PG-13, '00) ★	Piper Perabo, Adam Garcia. ©	Footloose (‘11) ★★ © ♦						
	<b>WE</b>	Mama June- Not to Hot	Mama June (N)	Bridezillas (N) ©	Ma. June ♦					
	<b>WGN America</b>	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	Godzilla (PG-13, '14) ★★	Aaron Taylor-Johnson. © ♦				
	<b>HBO</b>	(7:05) Dunkirk (PG-13, '17) ★★ ★	Fionn Whitehead. ©	Sharp Objects: “Vanish.”	VICE © ♦					
	<b>HBO2</b>	Succession ©	Justice League (PG-13, '17)	★ ★ Ben Affleck. ©	Full Monty ♦					
	<b>MAX</b>	♦ (6:50) King Arthur: Legend of the Sword (‘17) ★★	C.B. Strike (Season Finale) (N) ©	C.B. Strike ♦						
	<b>SHO</b>	♦ (6:30) Love Means Zero	Marshall (PG-13, '17) ★★	Chadwick Boseman.	The Affair ♦					
	<b>STARZ</b>	(7:05) Wrong Man ©	Power: “Damage Control.”	(9:02) Mission: Impossible (‘96) ★★ ♦						
PREMIUM	<b>STZENC</b>	♦ Married to the Mob ★★ ★	She-Devil (PG-13, '89) ★★	Meryl Streep.	(9:42) Live and Let Die ♦					

## ‘WESTWOOD: PUNK, ICON, ACTIVIST’ ★★ ★

## British fashion designer ‘a force to be reckoned with’

By KENNETH TURAN  
Los Angeles Times

You might think that having a documentary film made about your life was a good thing, that having awed folks calling you a cultural avatar and far-seeing visionary was worth a little trouble. You might think all that, but Vivienne Westwood does not. The subject of “Westwood: Punk, Icon, Activist” is introduced dressed in funereal black with an agonized look on her face bemoaning the fact that interviews with her are at all necessary.

“Do we have to have every bit of it, it’s so boring to say all of it,” she complains. “I’m totally bored doing this stuff, but you need it so I’ll tell you.”

It is the charm of Lorna Tucker’s film that, her subject’s reluctance notwithstanding, it provides a fascinating, involving glimpse of both who Westwood was back in the day and who she is at this particular moment in time, so much so that we genuinely miss her once the credits begin to roll.

That’s because Westwood, even at age 77, is a woman of formidable energy and drive whether she is tearing apart one of her own fashion collections the night before her show or passionately advocating for environmental issues.

A perennial rebel who feels she was “put on this planet for a reason, to stir it up a little bit,” Westwood throws herself into everything she does, and that helps make her a compelling documentary subject.

Director Tucker, in her first film, spends equal time on Westwood’s legendary past and her life today, overseeing the ever-expanding fashion house that bears her name while simultaneously trying to save the planet.

Westwood designed her own clothes as a child (“I could have made a pair of shoes when I was 5”) and claims she turned away from conventional behavior after realizing her religious parents had hid Jesus’ crucifixion fate from her.

She moved to London as a young woman, married and had a



PIERRE VERDY/GETTY-AFP

British designer Vivienne Westwood’s drive and raucous sense of style are the subject of the documentary “Westwood: Punk, Icon, Activist.”

## No MPAA rating

Running time: 1:20

**Opens:** Friday at the Music Box, 3733 N. Southport Ave., [www.musicboxtheatre.com](http://www.musicboxtheatre.com)

son but quickly decided that matrimony was “just a load of old rubbish.”

Instead she partnered with impresario Malcolm McLaren in a Kings Row shop whose name kept changing (Let It Rock, World’s End and Sex were some of the monikers) but whose impact on fashion never faded.

Along the way Westwood and McLaren help create the punk movement and the Sex Pistols, though that is one of the subjects Westwood is not at all keen on talking about.

Helping fill in the gap are other folks, including a curator at the Victoria & Albert museum who treats some of Westwood’s designs with a reverence bordering on awe.

Typically, the designer has mixed feelings about her role in the process. “We wanted to undermine the establishment, we hated it, we wanted to destroy it,” she proclaims.

But she also saw punk as a real marketing opportunity and wor-

ries today that the whole movement was “part of the distraction” and not a genuine moment of change.

The current man in Westwood’s life is her considerably younger husband and design partner Andreas Kronthaler, and the film is especially good at delineating the charms of this unusual relationship.

As far as the British fashion industry is concerned, it has never quite been able to make its mind up about her unconventional but influential clothes.

Though newspapers have consistently run stories of the “Viv’s Blown It” variety after her shows, she has been named Designer of the Year twice, so she is presumably doing something right.

Currently, one of Westwood’s major worries is that her company and her brand have gotten too big for her to control, looking askance at her marketing people and grumbling, “they’re wandering around doing damage.”

She knows, as Chief Executive Carlo D’Amario puts it, that for better or worse, “she’s become part of the system, like Lady Diana, Big Ben, ‘mind the gap,’ that sort of thing.” Maybe not what she imagined but a force to be reckoned with, nevertheless.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Boots Riley’s “Sorry to Bother You” has a promising box office release.

## From ‘musician with a script’ to film hitmaker

Phillips, from Page 1

to be seen and known.”

Earlier, in the Sundance labs process, Riley learned the value of “critique and self-critique.” He also learned that his script was highly controversial and divisive among the lab’s advisers.

The key conversation, Riley says, came when Brazilian director Karim Aïnouz (“Futuro Beach”) looked Riley in the eye and, as Riley remembers it, said: “Look, man. I don’t really know what to tell another screenwriter about their script. Who am I to say? It’s your thing. I just like coming here to Sundance; it’s like a resort; I get free food. But I will tell you I LOVE your lead character. I love Cassius. I want to hang out with him, I want to protect him, I want to hug him.”

And that, Riley says the director told him, “is how I know it’s bull-----.”

Riley was taken aback, but “that turned into a three-hour conversation about people in our lives, people who made decisions we disagreed with, stuff within ourselves. And I realized at that point I’d written Cassius as this pinball, who just gets slapped around the whole movie. I wasn’t giving him agency. He wasn’t yet making his own decisions, however misguided, and I wasn’t taking the risk of having people not love him so much.”

Riley’s parents, radical-leftist organizers, worked for a time for the Progressive Labor Party. They lived for a year in Chicago,

where young Raymond (aka Boots) was born, prior to a five-year stay in Detroit. Riley’s own four children range in age from 5 to 21. “I just have to hustle all the time,” he says, somewhat sheepishly, of fatherhood. He now lives with Bay Area musician Gabby Lala, the mother of his youngest. “You miss out on a lot of stuff. Doing music, I’m working for pennies, and I’m gone on tour a lot, or home, working on something. It’s a hard thing, and a hard thing to say, but even when I’m with my kids, my mind is on the stuff that’s supposed to be getting done.”

With the promising early success of “Sorry to Bother You,” he says, things are changing for the better. He has a feature film deal set, which should bring Riley’s second writing-directing project to fruition. There’s also a TV pilot in the works.

“For so long,” he reflects, “for all these years, I’ve never been more than a month and a half ahead of everything financially. It’s kept things hectic. And doing this movie was even crazier.” But it paid off. A life of “hectic uncertainty” has brought him to where he is today. Boots Riley is a musician with a script no longer: He’s a musician with a movie, one of the year’s most bracing and imaginative.

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Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (July 13): This year favors fun, romance and happiness. Weave schedules and plans with your partner. A community effort shifts focus. Strengthen foundational bonds and relationships. Personal summer projects expand before a financial twist alters family plans, providing powerful profit motive. Expand your partnership this winter. Share your passion.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Unexpected distractions could interrupt your fun. Slow down, and take care of responsibilities. Avoid power struggles.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Stay in rather than going out. Save money by fixing treats at home. Domestic chaos could erupt. Avoid impetuosity. Research household upgrades for best value.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 8. You're clever with data and information over the next few days. A truth gets revealed. Consider your words carefully. Don't react without thinking.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 9. Estimate the funding necessary and update the budget. Confirm intuition with data. Insights arise in unexpected places. Guard against impulsive spending. Take future appreciation into account.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. You're on a roll through tomorrow. Don't get stopped by failure. Avoid silly arguments and keep your humility. Develop your talents, capacities and skills.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 6. Look back for insight on the road ahead. Indulge nostalgia with old photos and memories. Lay low and make plans for a few days.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Develop strategies with teammates through tomorrow. Meetings and gatherings produce satisfying results. Stay sensitive to what others want and need.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Prepare for a test or challenge. Career matters take precedence. Study your options, and keep cool. There may be fierce competition.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Dream of exotic sights, sounds and flavors. Your wanderlust is getting worse. Stay flexible, and anticipate changes. Pad the schedule.

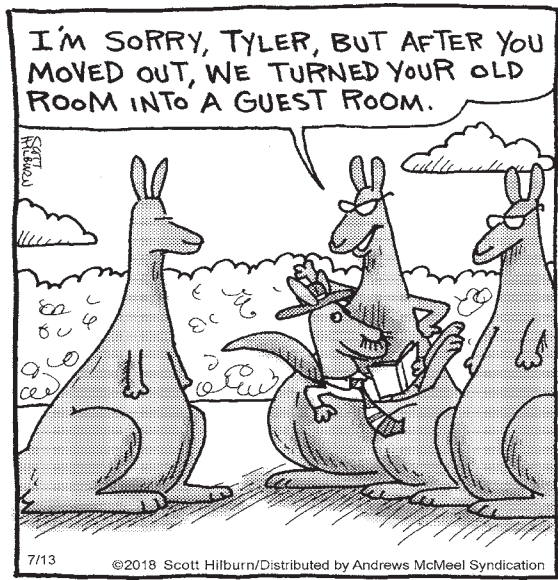
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Profitable deals are available. Keep your patience. Resolve details with your partner. Take time to clarify plans. Handle financial paperwork, and get terms in writing.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Partnership matters today and tomorrow. You don't need to do everything. Share resources, work and expenses. Keep your tone supportive.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Prepare for a physical challenge. Keep practicing. Slow around sharp objects. Admit impracticalities. Avoid technical glitches.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

<b>North</b>		<b>South</b>	
♠	K J 10	♠	A Q 9 3
♥	J 6 3	♥	5
♦	K J	♦	A Q 8 5 2
♣	9 8 7 6 2	♣	A 4 3

<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>	
♠	Void	♠	8 7 6 5 4 2
♥	A K Q 8 4 2	♥	10 9 7
♦	9 6 4 3	♦	10 7
♣	K J 5	♣	Q 10

Hard Luck Louie was a little disturbed that his partner made a negative double with only three spades, even though it was partner's only sensible call. After some thought, Louie decided that he could bring the contract home as long as the spades and the diamonds broke no worse than 4-2. The key would be to maintain control in the trump suit, so he discarded a club when West continued hearts at trick two. He shed another club when West led a third heart. West, who knew that the trumps were splitting poorly, continued with a fourth round of hearts in an effort to attack

**The bidding:**

South	West	North	East
1♦	1♥	Db1*	Pass
4♠	All pass		

\*Negative, values with no clear bid

**Opening lead: Ace of ♥**

Louie's trump holding. Louie ruffed in dummy, discarding a diamond from his hand, and cashed dummy's king of spades. He was crestfallen when West showed out. He ended up down two, complaining all the way about his bad luck.

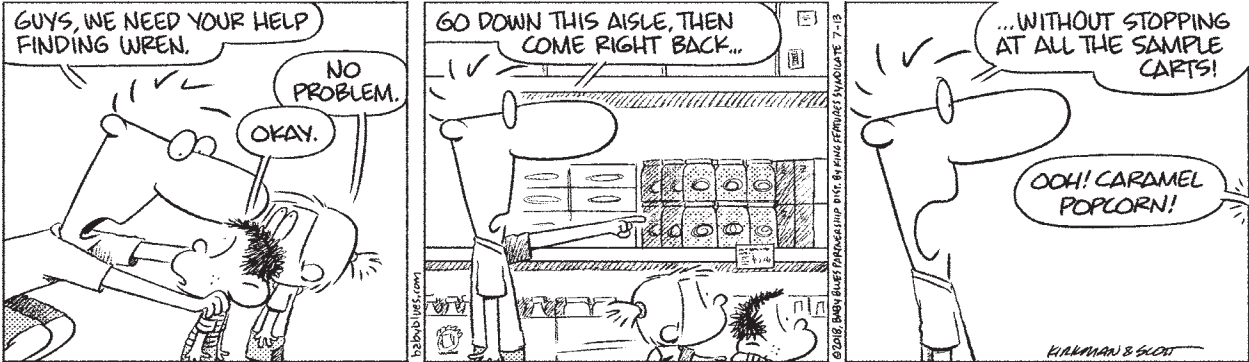
Lucky Larry played the same contract, with the same opening lead. He was completely happy with the dummy, and he took a different view about his chances. Larry ruffed the heart continuation at trick two and led a low diamond to dummy's king. He overtook the jack of diamonds with his ace and ruffed a diamond in dummy. A club to his ace was followed by another diamond ruff, and a heart ruff back to his hand allowed him to ruff his last diamond in dummy. Larry made his contract with seven trump tricks, two diamonds, and one club. Nicely played!

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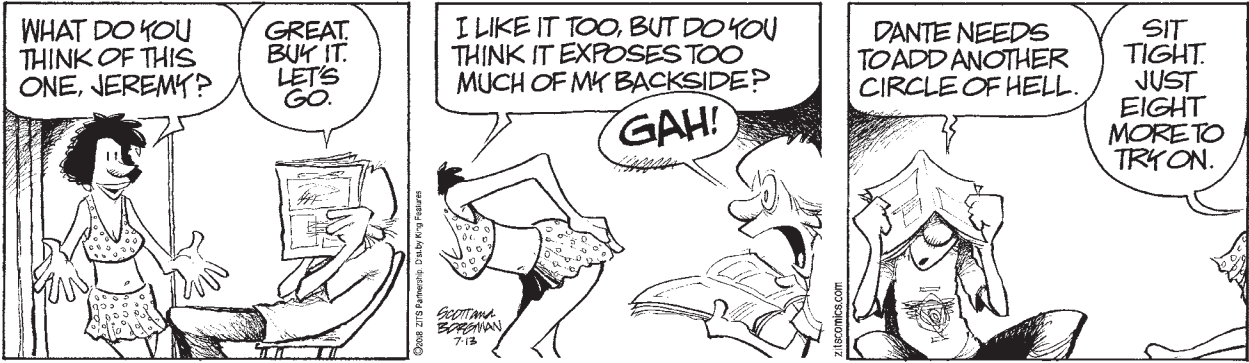
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Baby Blues



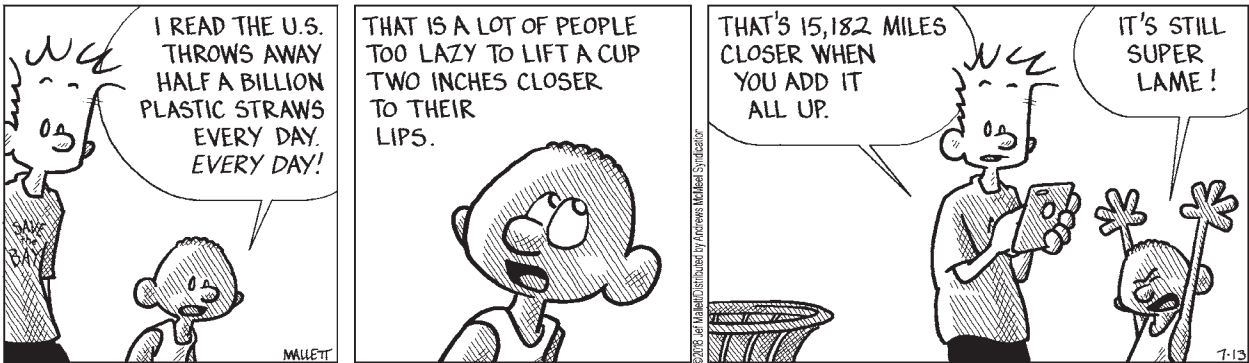
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Mr. Boffo



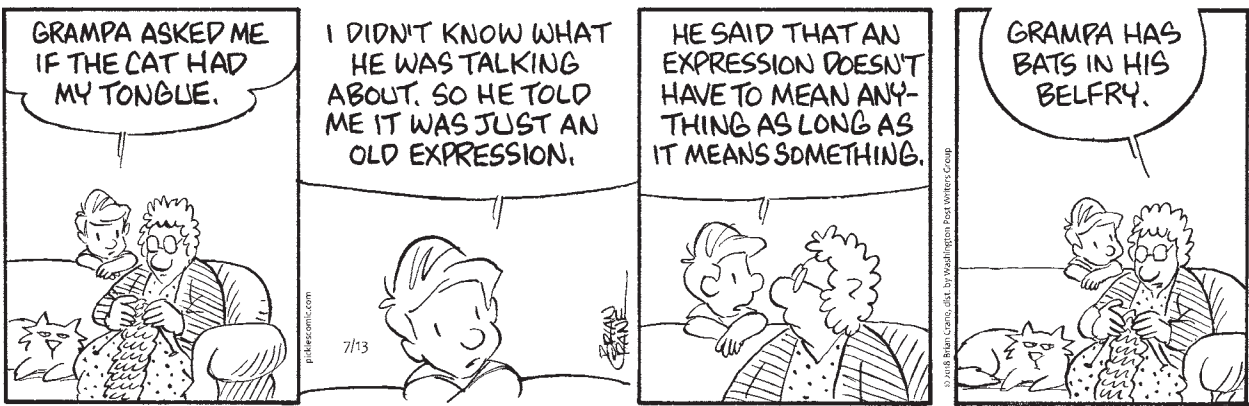
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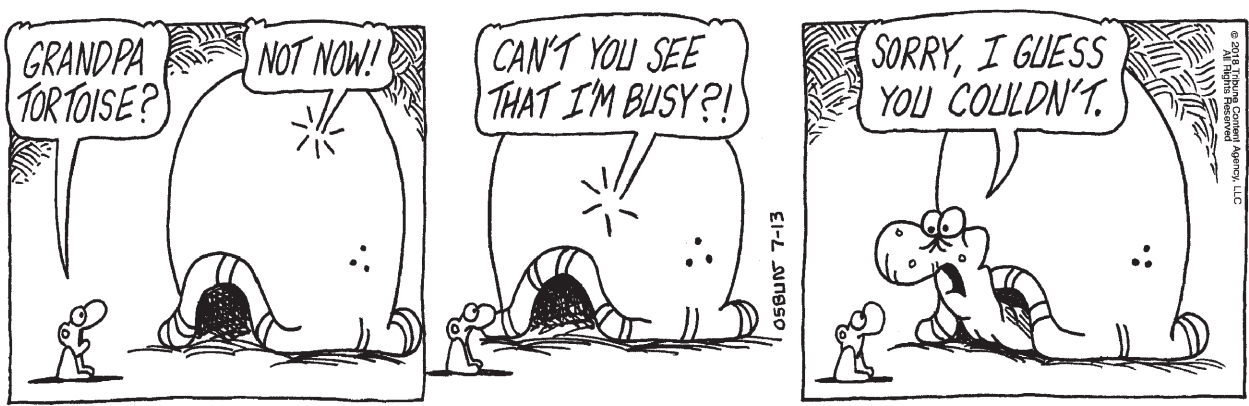
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Animal Crackers



Prickly City

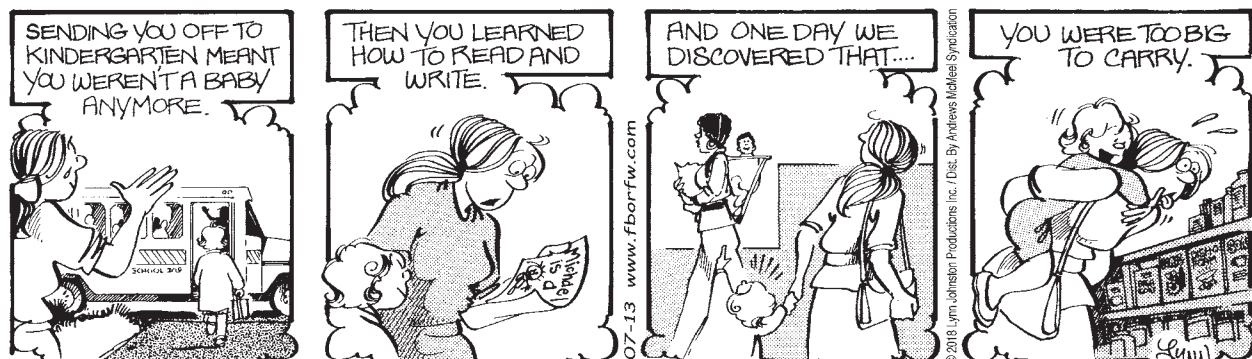




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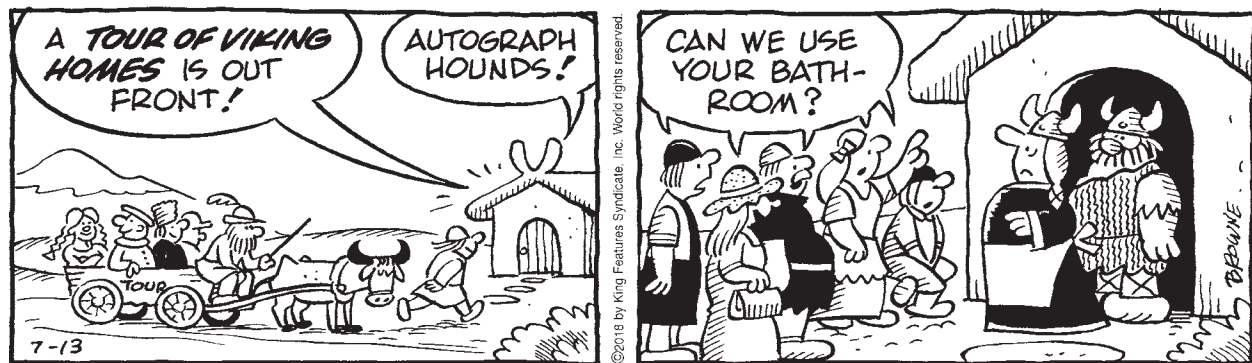
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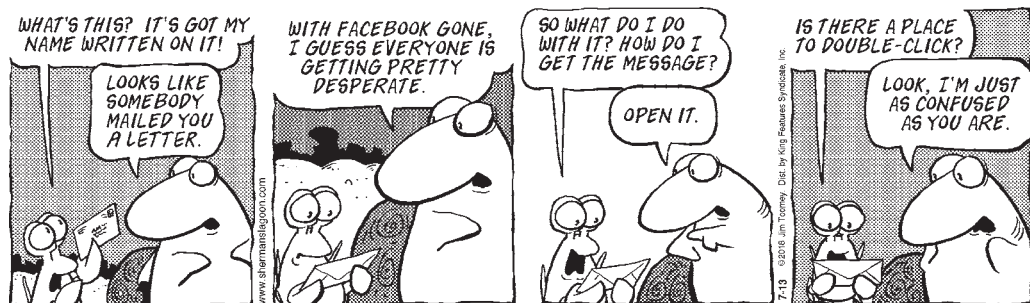
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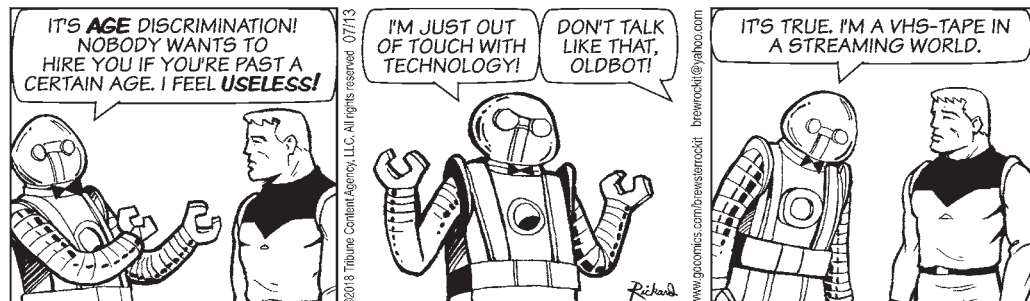
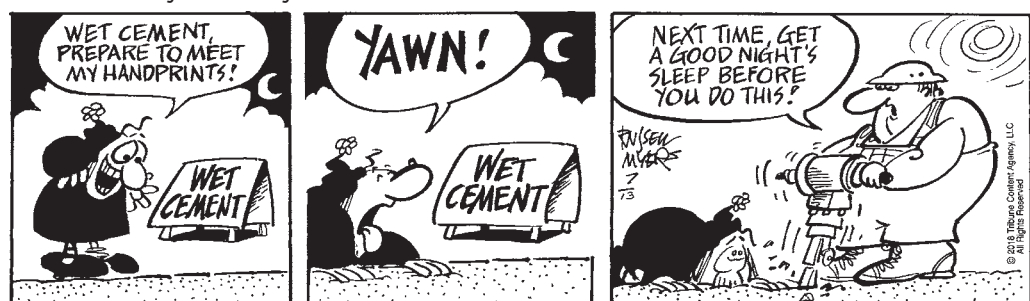
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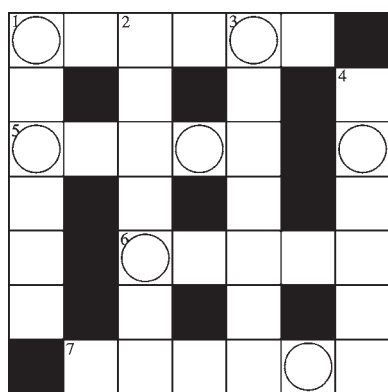
**Wilson Pickett's 1966 hit "634-5789 (Soulsville, U.S.A.)" referred to the nickname of which Memphis-based record label?**

- A) Chess  
B) Motown  
C) Roulette  
D) Stax

Thursday's answer: The action in the book and film "Black Hawk Down" takes place during armed conflict in Somalia.

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# Jumble Crossword



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## BONUS

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ANSWERS: 1A-Intern 5A-Grain 6A-Newer 7A-Replay 1D-Ingest 2D-Trailee 3D-Renewal 4D-Yearly B-Nigella

By David L. Hoyt.

Sudoku 

1	2	3	4
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4	5		8					
	1				2			
	9	5						4
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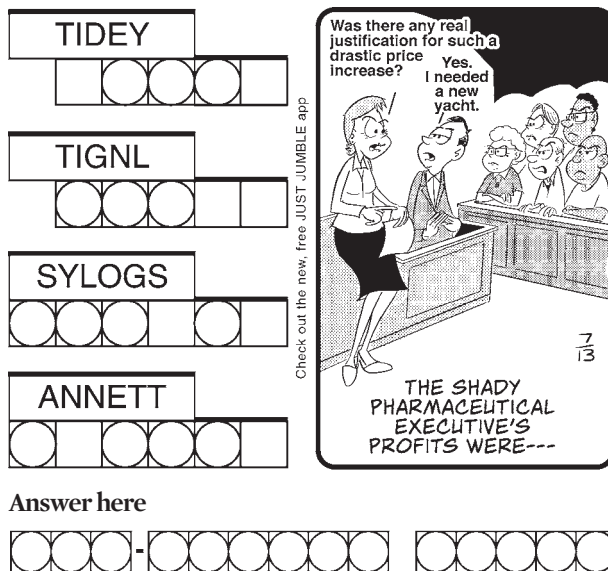
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

## ◀ Thursday'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.



## Crossword

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13
14				15					16					
17				18				19						
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57					58					59				60
61			62	63				64	65			66		
67							68					69		
70							71					72		

### Across

- 1 Adobe extension
- 4 Food
- 8 Formal affirmation
- 14 Amazement
- 15 “Logan” superheroes
- 16 Bib, essentially
- 17 Cooking acronym
- 18 Calendar model’s argument?
- 20 First word of The Beach Boys’ “Kokomo”
- 22 David Caruso starred in the Miami version
- 23 — periculo: at my own risk
- 24 Ones who curry favor in Cannes?
- 29 Jackie portrayal on “Nurse Jackie”
- 30 Spike TV, once
- 31 He finished hosting “The Tonight Show” 12 years before Fallon was born

## 34 Tool points

- 37 Long past  
41 Booms in the poultry  
industry?  
44 Wrap label  
45 Isaac's eldest  
46 Extended tale  
47 "Just joking!"  
49 Narrow cut  
51 Northern New York  
gallery, say?  
57 Latin lover's word  
58 Cup holder?  
59 Seller of spots  
61 Package on the porch ...  
or what's been brought  
to 18-, 24-, 41- and 51-  
Across  
66 Main man  
67 Snicker  
68 Anticipatory times  
69 Beauty preceder?  
70 Small stock purchase  
71 Pudding starch  
72 Amount realized

## 12 Trig functions

- 13 In the know about  
 19 Penultimate Greek  
     letter  
 21 Six-pack makeup  
 25 Picture at Cannes  
 26 "Die Lorelei!" poet  
 27 — day: school  
     contingency  
 28 Not in the book  
 31 Cubicle fixtures  
 32 "I got it!"  
 33 It's all around you  
 35 School —  
 36 Unavoidable jerk  
 38 What might reveal the  
     answer to "Who's your  
     daddy?"  
 39 Custard base  
 40 Org, that abhors leaks  
 42 Windsor, for one  
 43 "Star Trek" lieutenant  
 48 Smartphone  
     alternative  
 50 Parental words of  
     finality  
 51 Decided on a diamond  
 52 Sat  
 53 Start to cycle?  
 54 Wasp nest sites  
 55 — Dictionary  
 56 Road sign with a  
     double-tailed arrow  
 57 One on a driveway  
 60 One who works with  
     feet  
 62 FedEx alternative  
 63 Want ad abbr.  
 64 Actress Gabor  
 65 Gas pump spec.

### Thursday's solution

VITA	DRYER	AMCOS
ELAL	REATA	VONNO
REMI	TOWAN	ANNO
SUPER	VILLAIN	
EMANUEL	STONNY	
ASL	BURLIVES	
LASTS	BOGO	ALALA
ONCE	OVERLIGHT	TLTY
EGO	MANY	NOEYER
WERE	LIVE	BAT
ELENA	CAR	WASH
CHOPPED	LIVER	
JIM	DORAG	RENC
OMAN	ILOSE	EROS
YOYO	NEWER	SSRS

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# CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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FRIDAY, JULY 13

NORMAL HIGH: 85°


NORMAL LOW: 64°

RECORD HIGH: 104° (1995)

RECORD LOW: 52° (1975)

## Rise in humidity ups chance of thunderstorms

### LOCAL FORECAST



**HIGH 93** **LOW 73**

■ Rise in humidity elevates discomfort level. Air quality alert remains in effect.

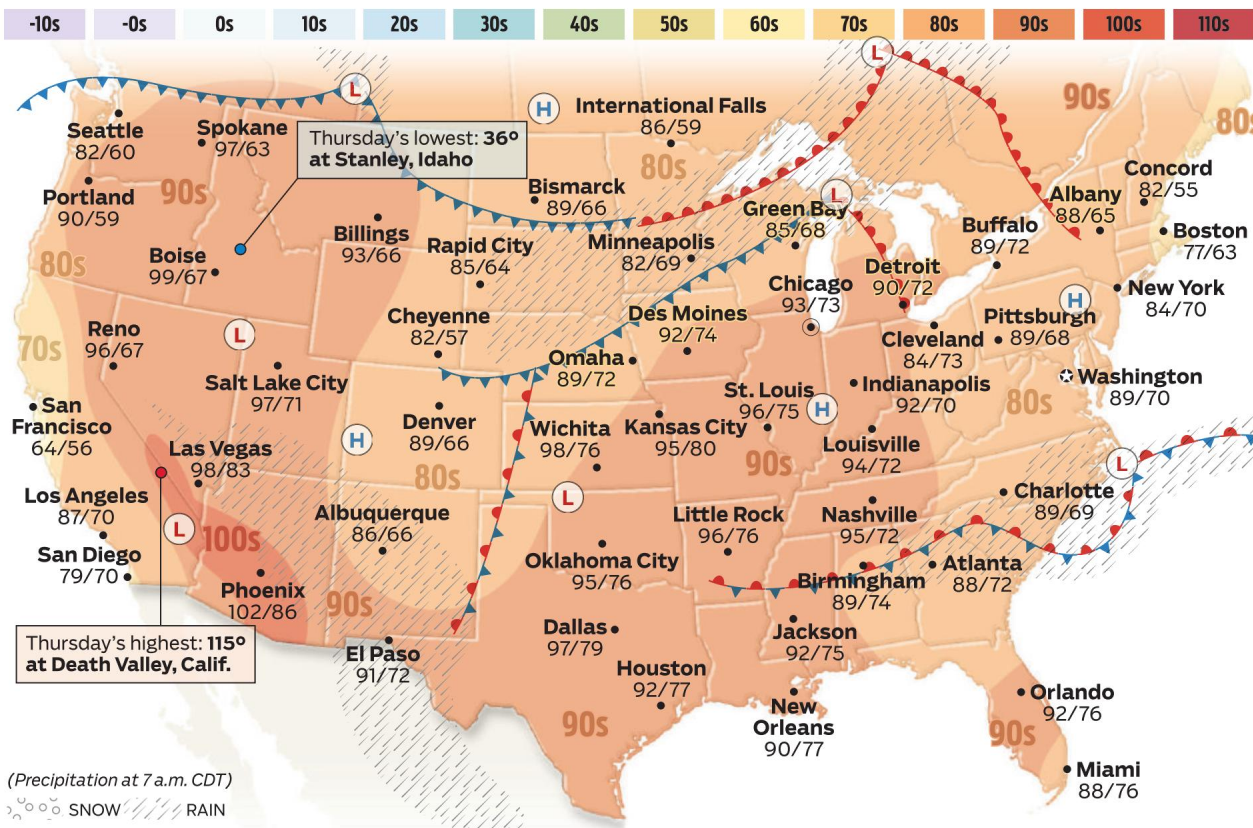
■ High clouds from storms to the W-N filter morning sun at times. Daybreak temps hover around 70 in the city, 60s elsewhere.

■ Hot and becoming more humid. Dew points rise to the low-mid 70s as SW winds increase to 10-15 mph. Afternoon temps reach the low 90s.


■ Scattered clouds build heading into the midday period. T-storms possible late, far W-N sections.

■ Muggy overnight, with a chance of storms north. Low temps hold in the 70s.

### NATIONAL FORECAST




### SATURDAY, JULY 14



**HIGH 90** **LOW 73**

Sultry air mass remains in place. Temps reach highs in the upper 80s and low 90s despite considerable cloudiness. T-storms erupt during the afternoon/evening. SW winds around 10 mph.


### SUNDAY, JULY 15



**HIGH 92** **LOW 72**

Morning sunshine emerges as t-storms settle south of the area. Continued hot and humid. Spotty storms may develop again toward evening as temps peak in the low-mid 90s. SE-S winds 10 mph.


### MONDAY, JULY 16



**HIGH 87** **LOW 67**

T-storms likely as a cold front makes its way into steamy, unstable air. Clouds limit high temps to the upper 80s. SW winds 10-15 mph shift NW late. Storms end, turning cooler, less humid overnight.


### TUESDAY, JULY 17



**HIGH 82** **LOW 62**

Building high pressure to the north brings sunny, breezy, cooler, and less humid conditions. High temps reach the low 80s W-S sections, but hold in the low 70s lakeside as N winds 15-20 mph become NE.


### WEDNESDAY, JULY 18



**HIGH 81** **LOW 64**

High pressure settles across the area bringing pleasant weather. Patchy high clouds arrive, otherwise, sunny. High temps range from low 80s inland, to low 70s lakeside. Light winds turn E at 10 mph.

### THURSDAY, JULY 19



**HIGH 80** **LOW 62**

Clouds thicken as a weather disturbance moves across the Midwest. Showers, possible t-storms hold temps in the 70s most of the day. Rain ends in the evening, then partial clearing. E winds 10-15 mph.

### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,

In recent years, our family cabin in Ely, Minn., has been repeatedly been hit by severe thunderstorms. Is there a reason why this keeps happening?

— Elizabeth Berry, Crystal Lake

Dear Elizabeth,

The Upper Midwest is a favored location for derechos, a long-lasting high wind event in which downburst winds, at times in excess of 100 mph, plow out of a fast-moving line of thunderstorms, producing swaths of damage extending for hundreds or even thousands of miles. Derechos tend to form in summer along the northern edge of a hot and humid air mass. They can occur several times in seasons when intense heat lies across the central and southern Midwest, or seldom when the heat dome expands north. Iowa meteorologist Gustavus Hinrichs coined the term “derecho,” a Spanish word meaning “straight ahead,” in the 1880s.

**Write to:** ASK TOM  
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Chicago, IL 60618  
asktomwhy@wgntv.com

WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koenenman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



## Hot Friday in Chicago; powerful t-storms to city's northwest

### LAKE MICHIGAN UPDATE

**Water temperature**  
**CHICAGO SHORELINE**

CURRENT TEMP	A YEAR AGO
<b>75.0°</b>	<b>73.0°</b>

Other Lake Michigan water temperatures:

Chicago Crib	<b>68°</b>
Wilmette buoy	<b>72°</b>
Michigan City*	<b>56°*</b>
Michigan City buoy	<b>72°</b>
NOAA mid-lake buoy	<b>71°</b>

\*The Michigan City water temp sensor is located one mile offshore at a depth of 60 feet.

**No change in lake level compared to this date a year ago**

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

### STORMS LAMBASTE AN AREA FROM THE PLAINES TO THE NORTH WOODS

**Wednesday night/Thursday rainfall**

Location	Amount
1 mi. ENE of Mora, Minn.	<b>7.04"</b>
Grasslson, Minn.	<b>6.48"</b>
Glory, Minn.	<b>5.00"</b>
McGrath, Minn.	<b>4.90"</b>
Malmö, Minn.	<b>4.86"</b>
Grantsburg, Wis.	<b>4.50"</b>
Pine River, Minn.	<b>4.50"</b>
Friesland, Minn.	<b>4.50"</b>
Finlayson, Minn.	<b>3.96"</b>
Grand Rapids, Minn.	<b>3.75"</b>

**Thursday's peak wind gusts**

Pipestone, Minn.	<b>66 mph</b>
Gilman, Wis.	<b>65 mph</b>
Hamill, S.D.	<b>57 mph</b>
Winner, S.D.	<b>56 mph</b>

**POWERFUL, POTENTIALLY FLOODING T-STORMS TO CHICAGO'S NORTHWEST**

EXCESSIVE RAIN POTENTIAL

**Day #1 forecast Friday/Fri. night**

SEVERE WEATHER POTENTIAL

**Day #2 forecast Saturday/Sat. night**

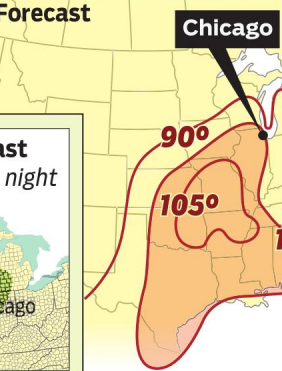
EXCESSIVE RAINFALL POTENTIAL

### CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
<b>5%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>60%</b>

FRIDAY NIGHT	SATURDAY NIGHT	SUNDAY NIGHT	MONDAY NIGHT
<b>25%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>40%</b>

### FRIDAY'S PEAK HEAT INDEX Forecast



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### MIDWEST CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
<b>Illinois</b>						
Carbondale	su	94	71	su	95	75
Champaign	su	90	68	pc	91	72
Decatur	su	90	69	pc	91	72
Moline	ts	95	73	ts	97	71
Peoria	su	92	73	ts	99	71
Quincy	pc	96	75	ts	93	73
Rockford	su	92	71	ts	93	68
Springfield	su	93	73	ts	93	72
Sterling	su	93	71	ts	95	68
<b>Indiana</b>						
Bloomington	su	92	68	pc	94	72
Evansville	su	91	70	su	94	74
Fort Wayne	su	90	68	pc	92	71
Indianapolis	su	92	71	ts	95	74
Lafayette	su	88	67	pc	91	72
South Bend	su	90	69	ci	89	70
<b>Wisconsin</b>						
Green Bay	ts	85	68	ts	83	65
Kenosha	pc	91	70	ts	82	68
La Crosse	ts	86	70	ts	86	70
Madison	ts	80	64	su	80	64
Milwaukee	su	92	71	ts	81	68
Wausau	ts	82	65	pc	85	64
<b>Michigan</b>						
Detroit	pc	90	72	pc	92	72
Grand Rapids	pc	92	74	ts	85	69
Marquette	pc	80	64	su	80	64
St. Joseph	ts	81	63	ts	81	63
Traverse City	ts	87	68	ts	88	66
<b>Iowa</b>						
Ames	ts	89	70	ts	82	68
Cedar Rapids	ts	92	71	ts	83	68
Des Moines	ts	92	74	ts	84	72
Dubuque	ts	93	72	ts	83	68
El Paso	ci	91	72	pc	90	74

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
<b>Albany</b>						
Albany	pc	88	65	ts	86	67
Albuquerque	ci	86	66	ts	84	68
Amarillo	pc	94	68	pc	93	70
Anchorage	pc	67	52	sh	62	51
Asheville	ci	80	65	pc	83	65
Aspen	pc	83	63	pc	85	64
Atlanta	ts	88	72	ts	86	71
Atlantic City	pc	80	64	pc	83	71
Austin	pc	95	75	pc	96	75
Baltimore	pc	89	72	su	93	77
Billings	su	93	66	pc	91	60
Birmingham	ts	89	74	ts	87	73
Bismarck	pc	89	66	pc	92	62
Boise	su	99	67	pc	99	68
Boston	pc	77	63	pc	78	67
Brownsville	pc	94	79	pc	94	79
Buffalo	pc	89	72	ts	87	70
Burlington	pc	88	67	sh	80	66
Charlotte	pc	89	69	pc	88	63
Charlottesville	ts	87	75	pc	90	78
Charlottesville	pc	91	68	ts	92	70
Chattanooga	ts	91	73	ts	90	72
Chester	pc	82	57	pc	81	60
Cincinnati	su	92	70	pc	95	74
Cleveland	pc	84	73	pc	86	75
Colorado Springs	pc	83	61	pc	88	62
Columbia MO	pc	98	77	ts	93	72
Columbia SC	ci	90	73	pc	93	74
Columbus	su	90	70	pc	93	72
Concord	pc	82	55	pc	79	60
Corpus Christi	pc	91	77	pc	91	79
Dallas	pc	97	79	pc	98	79
Daytona Bch.	pc	90	75	ts	90	75
Denver	pc	89	66	pc	95	68
Duluth	pc	87	64	pc	87	62
El Paso	ci	91	72	pc	90	74
<b>Fairbanks</b>						
Fairbanks	pc	76	51	pc	70	51
Fargo	su	89	64	pc	89	68
Flagstaff	ts	72	55	ts	71	53
Fort Myers	ts	91	76	ts	92	75
Fort Smith	pc	95	76	pc	98	77
Fresno	pc	103	74	pc	104	74
Grand Junc.	pc	97	69	pc	97	69
Great Falls	su	96	59	pc	74	51
Harrisburg	pc	88	68	pc	92	71
Hartford	pc	83	64	pc	86	68
Helena	su	94	62	pc	84	56
Honolulu	ci	87	76	pc	84	56
Houston	ts	92	77	ts	93	77
Int'l Falls	su	86	59	pc	88	65
Jackson	ts	92	75	ts	91	75
Jacksonville	pc	95	77	ts	90	77
Janeau	pc	70	50	rn	60	52
Kansas City	pc	95	80	ts	92	77
Las Vegas	pc	98	83	pc	100	84
Lexington	su	91	70	su	93	73
Lincoln	ts	90	70	ts	89	70
Little Rock	pc	96	76	pc	96	76
Louisville	su	94	72	pc	95	76
Macon	ts	91	73	ts	89	72
Memphis	pc	95	77	ts	94	77
Miami	ts	89	76	ts	89	77
Minneapolis	sh	82	69	pc	88	71
Mobile	ts	90	77	ts	91	77
Montgomery	ts	93	75	ts	92	74
Nashville	ts	95	72	ts	95	75
New Orleans	ts	90	77	ts	91	78
New York	pc	84	70	pc	87	73
Norfolk	pc	83	64	pc	86	66
Ola, City	pc	95	76	pc	97	77
Omaha	ts	89	72	ts	87	72
Orlando	ts	92	76	ts	91	76

### WORLD CITIES

FRIDAY	FC	HI	LO	FRIDAY	FC	HI	LO
<b>Acapulco</b>							
Acapulco	pc	89	79	Kingston	pc	90	79
Algiers	pc	89	70	Lima	pc	66	62
Amsterdam	pc	74	55	Lisbon	pc	74	63
Ankara	su	93	64	London	sh	77	60
Athens	su	96	76	Madrid	su	95	66
Auckland	sh	59	54	Manila	ts	83	77
Baghdad	su	111	79	Mexico City	sh	77	55
Bangkok	ts	86	78	Monterrey	pc	93	69
Barbados	sh	85	78	Montreal	pc	86	68
Barcelona	pc	83	71	Moscow	sh	77	60
Beijing	ts	87	57	Munich	sh	78	57
Beirut	pc	86	79	Nairobi	sh	70	57
Berlin	pc	81	59	Nassau	ts	85	77
Bermuda	ts	82	76	Nassau	ts	85	77
Bogota	ci	65	49	New Delhi	ts	91	81
Brussels	pc	80	57	Oslo	ts	77	57
Bucharest	ts	85	64	Ottawa	ci	88	65
Budapest	pc	81	61	Panama City	ts	87	76
Buenos Aires	pc	64	48	Prague	pc	80	62
Cairo	su	98	78	Rio de Janeiro	sh	78	62
Cancun	pc	87	78	Riyadh	pc	113	86
Caracas	ts	75	64	Rome	su	91	68
Casablanca	pc	75	64	Santiago	pc	71	44
Copenhagen	pc	79	59	Seoul	pc	89	74
Dublin	ci	68	56	Singapore	ts	87	79
Edmonton	ts	73	53	Sofia	ts	79	59
Frankfurt	pc	81	61	Stockholm	pc	80	54
Geneva	pc	87	62	Sydney	pc	62	40
Guadalajara	ts	83	60	Taipei	su	94	79
Havana	pc	91	73	Tehran	su	101	79
Heilbronn	ts	94	75	Tokyo	ts	94	78
Hong Kong	ts	86	81	Toronto	pc	87	70
Istanbul	su	87	74	Trinidad	ts	83	75
Johannesburg	pc	83	67	Vancouver	su	74	60
Kabul	su	91	68	Warsaw	pc	81	62
Kiev	ts	79	60	Winnipeg	pc	89	68

### CHICAGO DIGEST

THURSDAY TEMPERATURES							
LOCATION		HI	LO	LOCATION		HI	LO
Aurora		86	63	Midway		87	72
Gary		84	63	O'Hare		87	70
Kankakee		86	63	Romeoville		85	66
Lakefront		86	68	Valparaiso		87	63
Lansing		83	63	Waukegan		87	61



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## ON THE TOWN



Chaka Khan has had countless hits, and her voice shook the rafters back in the day. It still does. She has worked with everyone who matters, even developing a special affinity with the late Prince. And now she's playing the Pitchfork Music Festival. She talks to Greg Kot about new music, and how she first met Prince. In **Turn It Up, PAGE 2**

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## Aerial dancers set to soar in 'Blackbird'



**LAUREN WARNECKE**  
Dance Card

On the heels of its 20th anniversary, Aerial Dance Chicago presents "Blackbird," an ambitious full-length work highlighting the company's signature blend of contemporary dance and aerial arts.

For Chloe Jensen, artistic director of the company she formed in 1999, and associate artistic director Karen Fisher

Doyle, the blackbird offers obvious images of birds in flight, with nine dancers periodically floating above the stage, hanging from fabric, hoops and barres to fill the vertical as well as the horizontal space of the theater. But the specific symbol of a blackbird as an omen is what most inspired the two women and former ADC dancer Tracy Von Kaenel, who also contributed choreography to the hourlong piece.

"The blackbird signifies potential," said Jensen. "For me, the blackbird is a teacher to us that the potential for good and bad resides in each of us."

It's an apt metaphor for the piece, which came together in just 16 weeks despite "Blackbird" being the longest continuous work they've ever made. Plus, the all-female cast is performing difficult choreography that Jensen calls "human-powered," incorporating partnering skills typically reserved for men, and lifting their bodies into the air through strength alone.

"Some aerial work uses special lifts and winches to raise performers into the air, but there are no mechanical lifts or devices used in 'Blackbird' or in any of our work for Aerial Dance Chicago," said

Jensen. "That means the power to fly comes only from the dancers — both their physical strength and their belief in themselves that they can master a three-dimensional dance floor. The dancers verge on doing superhuman things, yet they do this solely with pure human power."

Perhaps the most famous reference to the blackbird's mythology is enshrined in the 1968 song by Paul McCartney, who has said that "Blackbird" was inspired by the American civil rights movement — the resilience of African-Ameri-

Turn to **Warnecke, Page 4**

## TAKE 10

By **JESSI ROTI** | Chicago Tribune

**1 2nd Fridays Gallery Night:** The galleries lining Chicago's Art District hold opening night receptions for exhibits that include "You Will Be the Archivist of Your Desires" and "Springtime on Neptune." Free. 6-10 p.m. Friday. 1711-2005 S. Halsted St. [tinyurl.com/687vez](http://tinyurl.com/687vez)

**2 RAW Chicago 'Connect':** RAW artists' collective takes over Metro to showcase local and international creatives connected through the online community. \$22 adv/\$30 day-of. 21 and older. 7 p.m. Wednesday. Metro, 3730 N. Clark St. [tinyurl.com/yaq8wjqq](http://tinyurl.com/yaq8wjqq)



Brett Young

**3 Windy City Smokeout:** The country music and BBQ festival returns with headliners Brett Young, Brett Eldredge and Brothers Osborne. There will also be crawfish boils and a honky tonk brunch at an additional cost. Single day, \$45-\$50; Three-day pass, \$120. VIP packages available. Friday-Sunday. 560 W. Grand Ave. [windycitysmokeout.com](http://windycitysmokeout.com)



Michael Che

**4 Michael Che:** Tickets are still available for the SNL comedian's late show at the Vic. Caph Sounds serves as opening act. \$35. 9:30 p.m. Saturday. Vic Theatre, 3145 N. Sheffield Ave. [tinyurl.com/yao3sj5q](http://tinyurl.com/yao3sj5q)

**5 Southport Art Festival:** This street fest hosts vendors selling prints, jewelry and sculpture as well as a family-friendly kids' area and morning yoga on Sunday. Free. 10 a.m. Saturday-Sunday. Waveland and Southport avenues. [tinyurl.com/yal98b9f](http://tinyurl.com/yal98b9f)

**6 Chinatown Summer Fair:** The 39th annual Chinatown Summer Fair kicks off with a lion dance procession and will feature kung fu demonstrations, arts and crafts exhibitions, pony rides and a petting zoo. Free. 10 a.m. Sunday. Chinatown Square, 2200 S. Wentworth Ave. [tinyurl.com/y7pzst26](http://tinyurl.com/y7pzst26)

**7 "Never a Lovely So Real: Photography and Film in Chicago, 1950-1980":** Photographs and films drawn largely from the Art Institute's collection document the city as cultural, social and political events transformed it and those living in it. \$25 general admission; free for Illinois residents after 5 p.m. on Thursdays. Through Oct. 28. Art Institute, 111 S. Michigan Ave. [tinyurl.com/y97pcs6s](http://tinyurl.com/y97pcs6s)

**8 Roscoe Village Burger Fest:** More than a dozen local restaurants will fire up their grills in hopes of serving up the best burger. Live music and more will fill the weekend, including a kids' zone that boasts rock climbing, yoga and miniature golf. \$10 suggested donation. 11 a.m. Saturday-Sunday at Belmont and Damen avenues. [tinyurl.com/yd5d6gjb](http://tinyurl.com/yd5d6gjb)

**9 Square Roots Craft Brew & Music Festival:** Lincoln Square combines regional craft beers with neighborhood food and local tunes from the folks at Old Town School of Folk Music. Suggested donation \$10 for adults/\$20 per family. Friday-Sunday. Lincoln Avenue between Montrose and Wilson avenues. [square-roots.org](http://square-roots.org)



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## TURN IT UP

BY GREG KOT



# Chaka Khan keeps focus ahead

Chaka Khan could be coasting right now. A legendary singer with decades full of hits, the singer could sell concert tickets simply by performing her classic songs night after night.

After all, she has at least a dozen classics spanning generations — the hard funk of Rufus (“Tell Me Something Good,” “Ain’t Nobody”), empowering anthems that sound more timely than ever (“I’m Every Woman”) and her collaborations with the late Prince (including “I Feel for You”). But Khan has little patience for nostalgia. She’s fired up by the new music she’s working on.

“I’m an entertainer and an artist,” says Khan, who was born 65 years ago in Chicago. “Think about Van Gogh or Botticelli, they painted till they died. I like intelligent lyrics. I’m a bit of a word-smith. The sung word is very important and powerful. I want songs that say something, plus the melody, the beat, several components. As long as I have that, I see no reason to stop being creative.”

At the top of her list is a new studio album, in collaboration with U.K. producer Switch, who has worked with M.I.A., Santigold and Beyonce as well as co-founding Major Lazer with Diplo. A blazing dance single, “Like Sugar,” provides a teaser, with the album expected to be released this summer, Khan’s first album of original material since 2007.

“The album’s done,” Khan says. “I met Switch a few years ago and loved his mixes — very colorful with a kind of old-school feel.”

In addition, she has a tribute album to her friend Joni Mitchell in the mixing stage with producer Eve Nelson, the classically trained musician who worked with Khan on her “ClassiKhan” album with the London Symphony Orchestra in 2004.

“Joni and I — we are great friends, I adore her,” Khan says, describing a relationship that began when she first heard Mitchell songs such as “Both Sides, Now” and “Woodstock.” Khan also recorded a cover of Mitchell’s “Ladies Man” on her last studio album. “Joni’s music has gotten me through some tough times, and I picked all the songs for this project — it’s very personal to me.”

Khan is savoring her creativity while free of the record label obligations that she says derailed her career in the ’90s. She is particularly discouraged that an album she worked on with Prince 20 years ago, “Come 2 My House,” never got its due “because of the bureaucracy.”

Musically, she hit it off with Prince and shared his frustrations with how music was distributed and marketed in the ’80s and ’90s.

“Prince and I talked about that a lot, the importance of an artist owning your masters and how the labels are screwing this up,” she says. “With the internet opening



JUSTIN CAMPBELL PHOTO

Chaka Khan has a record coming out this summer, her first album of original material in 11 years. “I see no reason to stop being creative,” she says.

**When:** 7:25 p.m. July 22  
**Where:** Pitchfork Music Festival, Union Park, 1501 W. Randolph St.  
**Tickets:** \$75; [www.pitchforkmusicfestival.com](http://www.pitchforkmusicfestival.com)

things up, it’s a very interesting time right now. People are doing innovative things, and I learned a lot from the younger generation about how you don’t need a big dinosaur label to get your music out. Just go straight to the people. Most young artists aren’t dealing with the industry anymore. That’s how I got ‘Like Sugar’ out there. Go to the people and if the music is good, you’ll be in good shape.”

Though her relationship with Prince blossomed over three decades, it got off to a rocky start. In the late ’70s while recording his first album, Prince was an ambitious but relatively unknown Minneapolis artist who would do just about anything to meet his idol, including impersonating one of Khan’s friends.

“I first met Prince when I was up in the (San Francisco) Bay Area, doing some recording in the late ’70s,” Khan says. “I’m friends with Sly Stone and we were hanging out at the time. The phone rings in my hotel and when I answer I hear, ‘This is Sly. Come on down to the studio,’ so I did. The voice sounded just like Sly, but when I get to the studio, I just see this cool guy with a guitar. I had no idea who he was. He was nice enough and all, but I was not happy, and so I left.”

Khan can laugh about it now. “Often the best friendships start out on the wrong foot,” she says. “This was before he recorded anything and nobody knew who he was. But I heard what he was doing and I really liked that song (‘I Feel for You,’ on Prince’s self-titled 1979 album). I heard the genius in him. Musically we thought a lot alike.”

Khan’s 1984 version, which included a groundbreaking rap vocal by Grandmaster Melle Mel that presaged the hybrid rap-R&B

of the 2000s, became a hit and refueled her career. It also earned Prince a songwriting Grammy.

It was one of many comebacks in Khan’s career, after she emerged in the ’70s as the powerful lead voice of the Chicago-based band Rufus. Khan was not only a versatile singer, capable of power and tenderness, she was a child of the funk era — a brilliant drummer as well as a one-of-a-kind singer. She laughs about an appearance on a ’70s talk show with Mike Douglas, when as a 22-year-old upstart she climbed behind the drum kit and led the house band through an instrumental dance tune.

“I am still playing some drums on some of the dance stuff we do,” she says. “I like to play. I once had a drummer show me how to hold the sticks, and I took it from there. ... For me it was just a natural thing to do, a lot of fun.”

That vibrancy partially explains Khan’s longevity. It’s also significant that early on she was regarded as an important voice

for female empowerment, and why a song such as “I’m Every Woman,” the 1978 hit written for her by Ashford and Simpson, resonates in the #MeToo era.

“It’s not surprising to me that a song like that is still relevant, and always will be,” she says. “It is definitely an empowering song, but when I sing it, I’m not thinking of gender. I see the song as bigger than that. I didn’t do the song because of the way I was being treated. I wanted to get a larger point across. A great song will last. You may not necessarily be able to show or tell someone about your point of view, but if you can sing it, people will get it, and that’s why that song still works today.”

*Greg Kot co-hosts “Sound Opinions” at 8 p.m. Friday, 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday on WBEZ-FM 91.5.*

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### LOCAL SOUNDS

## Feast fest offers sounds and a chance to help

BY BRITT JULIOUS  
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“I think breaking bread with people and sharing food and space is a true example of trying to build community, says Ciera McKissick. The founder of AMFM gallery in Pilsen, McKissick is set to launch her first arts and music festival in the city. Feast, a three-part celebration bringing focus to the city’s food deserts, begins this month at Franklin Park and is the perfect opportunity for McKissick to put her beliefs into practice.

Planning for the event has been in the works for a few years. McKissick said that right before President Donald Trump was elected, she began thinking and talking to other people about the idea. After calling on her curator friends to form “a meeting of the minds,” McKissick and her collaborators began planning.

“One thing I found was that there wasn’t a festival for emerging artists within the city,” McKissick says. “There are so many great musicians in the city. I was thinking, why doesn’t Lollapalooza have a stage, where it’s all local ask there?”

For McKissick, starting the festival was an opportunity to create something specifically for artists, by artists, in an environment they may not get to perform in based on the limitations of



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Feast festival organizer Ciera McKissick aims to provide a showcase for up-and-coming artists and to help feed the hungry.

festival season. “We came together to do something with the artists we work with, so they could do something in the city they live and thrive in, get their feet wet on a larger-scale kind of performance and hope to get a bigger stage someday,” McKissick says.

Last year, she and AMFM

**When:** 3 p.m. Saturday  
**Where:** Franklin Park, 4320 W. 15th St.  
**Tickets:** Free with food donations. [www.amfm.life](http://www.amfm.life)

“Planning something of this size and something I hope can be recurring, there’s always red tape that comes along with working with large partnerships,” McKissick says. “It really kind of whips you into shape and it’s more like a learning experience.”

Described as an art, food and music festival where everybody eats, Feast will be divided into three courses: a food drive, a potluck and a more massive closing party. The first course, which kicks off Saturday and is titled “The Appetizer,” is free and focused on the food drive, for which guests are asked to bring a non-perishable food item.

“We just really want that one to be about, collectively, trying to build up and give resources so we can help people out,” says McKissick. She also partnered with the creators of Pachanga!, a moombahton and global bass night. The event will feature many up-and-coming acts, including Decima, Jesse 5000K, Kopano and Maceo Haymes, as well as DJ sets from Calixta and Calid B.

“We’re trying to find some people who want to feed other people, but also feed the artists’ passions to keep thriving and performing.” Other collaborators include the Black and Brown Babes Collective, the School of the Art Institute, Que4 Radio, Paradigm CreatVe Group and Lowkey Label. It was an intentional decision on McKissick’s part.

“When you go to festivals, it’s mostly white people who can afford tickets. I really wanted to look out for people who look like my friends and me and support good music and good vibes,” she says. But more than anything, McKissick is interested in what an event like Feast can do for the people within her community.

“The community is hurting right now. There are people in need. The world we are living in now isn’t the greatest place,” McKissick says. “I just want people to know the power of community and community-building. I think we can get caught up in what’s going on or thinking we need more, but we really do have what we need and if we come together, it just really makes us stronger, and we’re able to do so much more.”

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# Bernstein to Broadway to Latin jazz coming up



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A brisk weekend in Chicago music:

**Beethoven and Bernstein.** Two landmark works will make this one of the most popular Chicago Symphony Orchestra programs of the summer season. Beethoven's Ninth Symphony will be the anchor, Marin Alsop conducting the CSO, with soprano Tamara Wilson, mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung, tenor Paul Appleby and bass-baritone Ryan Speedo Green. Ravinia's extensive celebration of this year's Leonard Bernstein centennial will continue with this program, appropriately so, for Alsop was a student and longtime champion of Bernstein's and serves as curator of the Bernstein concerts. Earlier this year, Alsop's recordings of Bernstein's repertoire were released in a boxed set from Naxos. On this evening, she'll conduct this summer's second major performance of Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" (the Grant Park Music Festival offered the work last month). The piece intertwines the two musical languages at the center of Bernstein's oeuvre: classical and jazz. 7:30 p.m. *Saturday in the pavilion at the Ravinia Festival, Lake-Cook and*

*Green Bay roads, Highland Park; \$25-\$100 tickets; \$10 lawn; 847-266-5100 or [www.ravinia.org](http://www.ravinia.org).*

**Ryan Cohan.** Chicago does not lack for formidable jazz pianists, but Cohan remains distinctive among them because of his gifts as composer, particularly in long-form works. Sprawling Cohan suites such as "The River" and "One Sky" indicate a composer skilled in both narrative storytelling and instrumental tone painting. Cohan often plays excerpts of these and other original compositions, scaled down to the instrumentation at hand, which this time will be a sterling quartet featuring saxophonist John Wojciechowski, bassist James Cammack and drummer George Fludas. 8 and 10 p.m. *Friday and Saturday; 4, 8 and 10 p.m. Sunday; at the Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth Court; \$20-\$35; 312-360-0234 or [www.jazzshowcase.com](http://www.jazzshowcase.com).*

**Chicago Duo Piano Festival.** The only thing more appealing than one piano, of course, are two, a point that the Music Institute of Chicago is making clear with its 30th anniversary Chicago Duo Piano Festival. The ongoing series will feature two events this weekend. Xiaomin Liang and Jue He, grand prize winners of the 18th Tokyo International Duo Piano Competition, will play a stylistically far-reaching program including Mozart's Sonata in D Major



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On Saturday, conductor Marin Alsop will continue Ravinia's celebration of this year's Leonard Bernstein centennial.

for Two Pianos, K. 448; Chen Yi's "China West Suite"; Three Songs by George Gershwin in Paul Posnak's arrangements; and Paul Schoenfeld's Three Pieces from "Five Days from the Life of a Manic Depressive"; 7:30 p.m. *Friday. "Two Great Piano Duo Sonatas" will spotlight Fiona Queen and Louise Chan playing Bartok's Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion with guest percussionists Josh Graham and John Corkill; and husband-wife duo Matthew Hagle and Mio Isoda will perform Brahms' Sonata in F Minor for Two Pianos, Op. 34b; 3 p.m. Sunday. Both events at the Music Institute's Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston; \$10-\$30; 847-905-1500, ext. 108 or [www.chicagoduopiano.com](http://www.chicagoduopiano.com).*

**Caroline Davis.** The restlessly creative alto saxophonist moved to New

York five years ago, but she performs in Chicago so often and at such a prominent level that sometimes it seems as if she never left. Which is to the benefit of anyone who values music at once sophisticated in content but accessible in musical gesture. That's especially the case in Davis' most recent album, "Heart Tonic," a work of considerable tonal luster, lyric appeal and rhythmic complexity. Davis will be joined by trombonist Tom Garling, pianist Rob Clearfield, bassist Chris Tordini and drummer Jay Sawyer. 9 p.m. *Friday and 8 p.m. Saturday at the Green Mill Jazz Club, 4802 N. Broadway; \$15; 773-878-5552 or [www.greenmilljazz.com](http://www.greenmilljazz.com).*

**Grant Park Goes Broadway.** Under the right leadership, the Grant Park Orchestra can address the music of Broadway as nimbly as it does classical symphonic repertoire, and this

weekend guest conductor Kevin Stites will provide the baton. The aptly titled "I Could Have Danced All Night" program will feature music of Lerner and Loewe, drawn from "My Fair Lady," "Camelot," "Brigadoon" and "Gigi," among other scores. Soprano Sierra Boggess, tenor Ryan Silverman and baritone Ben Crawford will do the honors. 8 p.m. *Friday and Saturday at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park, Randolph Street and Michigan Avenue; various ticket prices in reserved seating area; other seating free; 312-742-7647 or [www.gpmf.org](http://www.gpmf.org).*

**Chicago Latin Jazz Festival.** The 12th annual event stretches across the weekend. On Friday, Ruiz Belvis Collective at 7 p.m.; Tito Carrillo Quintet, 7:30 p.m.; Chuchito Valdes and the Chicago Latin Jazz Collaborative in a centennial tribute to Bebo Valdes

(Chuchito Valdes' grandfather), 8:30 p.m.; at Humboldt Park Boathouse, 1301 N. Sacramento Ave. On Saturday, headliners will include Gustavo Cortinas' Snapshot, 5:30 p.m.; Ignacio Berroa Trio, 6:30 p.m.; Johnny Blas & His Afro-Libre Orchestra, 7:50 p.m.; also at Humboldt Park Boathouse, 1301 N. Sacramento Ave. And on Sunday, Ruiz Belvis Collective, 3 p.m.; Ignacio Berroa Trio, 3:40 p.m.; Chuchito Valdes and the Chicago Latin Jazz Collaborative, 5:05 p.m.; at the Lake Stage at Polk Bros Park Performance Lawns at Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave.; presented by the Jazz Institute of Chicago in partnership with the Chicago Park District and Navy Pier; free; 312-427-1676 or [www.jazzinchicago.org](http://www.jazzinchicago.org).

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# Company pioneering aerial art

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There are parallels in the work, but no literal references, to a divisive political climate in America. Each dancer, in moments, shows strength or vulnerability, resilience or defiance as a way to reference the shades of gray often absent from today's politics. Those with knowledge of ballet might also find comparisons between the classical dance form and the metaphor of the blackbird through a thoughtful use of aerial apparatuses. Aerial silks and trapezes, which allow dancers to suspend their bodies above the stage, are referred to as “suspended fabrics” and “suspended barres,” while loose, or “free” fabrics and free barres are staffs capped with rubber on both ends which dancers use to vault themselves across the space.

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“When I fell in love with (aerial dance), Chloe was the only one experimenting,” said Fisher Doyle, who was inspired by the use of aerial apparatuses as a way to expand the number of possibilities during the

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possibilities we’ve just started to explore.”

## Also of note

■ **Deeply Rooted Dance Theater** presents final performances of its 20th annual summer intensive. Advanced student dancers will perform company rep and new works by DRDT director and associate director of education Nicole Clarke-Springer and MenCa. Part of the evening is reserved for the Emerging Choreographers Showcase, a project produced by Chicago Dancemakers Forum lab artist Joshua L. Ishmon, in what has become a reliably good performance — even if your kid isn’t in the show. *7:30 p.m. July 20-21 at the Reva and David Logan Center for the Performing Arts, 915 E. 60th St.; \$25-\$50 at [www.deeplyrooteddancetheater.org](http://www.deeplyrooteddancetheater.org)*

■ **The Nippon Ginkenshibu Foundation** celebrates its 50th anniversary with a one-act performance combining Gin-ei (the recitation of classical Chinese and Japanese poetry) with traditional sword dancing and Japanese drumming by a Chicago gem, Tsukasa Taiko. *5 p.m. July 29 at the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, 220 E. Chicago Ave.; free tickets at [www.ginkenshibuusa.org](http://www.ginkenshibuusa.org)*

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Many South Side singers and rappers start out the same way: They discover their talent early on — often from singing in church — and use music as a way out of their rough neighborhood. Bryan James Sledge, the son of two choir directors, was just 19 when he moved from the Brainerd neighborhood to Los Angeles. He found work as a backup singer and songwriter, and eventually performed with or for almost every artist he'd ever dreamed of: old-school icons like James Brown, Stevie Wonder and Dr. Dre, and newer ones like Chance the Rapper, Kendrick Lamar and Schoolboy Q (featured on the latter's 2014 hit "Studio").

Sledge, rechristened BJ the Chicago Kid, released a handful of mixtapes and a well-received full-length, "Pineapple Now-Laters," before dropping his major label debut, the Grammy-nominated, neo-R&B-inspired "In My Mind," on Motown in 2016. He recently issued "The Opening Ceremony," a three-song precursor to a sophomore effort expected by year's end.

During a phoner in advance of his Taste of Chicago gig Sunday, Sledge talked about his years on the come up, discussed some of his most famous collaborations,

and attempted to explain the recent Kanye vs. Chance vs. Trump Twitter brouhaha. The following are excerpts from that conversation:

**On performing the national anthem at President Barack Obama's farewell address**

That day felt unreal. It didn't feel like it was real 'til I got there. When I got to McCormick Place, that's when it started to settle in, and I was like, "OK, this is really it." To see the banners and the podium and the flag and the security, the checkpoints, that's when you knew it was real. I stayed calm during the performance, but once I got off, I think that's when I started to get nervous. I was a soldier through it — I'm pretty good under pressure. I got a chance to speak (to Obama) for a quick, hot second. I was kind of stunned when he was coming around. He said, "What's up?" I was frozen. My manager actually had to (snap me) out of it. You haven't met the coolest guy until you've met Barack Obama.

**On the success of "In My Mind"**

When we put out "In My Mind," we prayed for it to at least give us a good 12 months of work. It gave us three years of work.

**On recharging between releases**

I have to live life, to some degree. I have to spend time with the family, I have to live a little bit, I have to love a little bit. You have to experience all those things, just to have the elevation for the music. Life don't wait for you to get off work. A lot has happened, and that's the plan, to stay fearless, and not stagnant. To be stagnant in this industry is to be broke.

**On what he learned working with artists such as Stevie Wonder and Dr. Dre**

I learned different recipes and ways to cook, so I could open up my own restaurant. I learned the game. I was blessed to work with a lot of people that I admired before I worked with them, so it was a deeper conversation. You ask as many questions as possible, and you be quiet as much as possible.

**On feeling invisible during his early, behind-the-scenes days**

I've also worked for people that didn't know the potential of the people that worked for them. They never knew that you were an awesome producer, they didn't know that you were an awesome writer who had a song coming out of that speaker that they were about to love. They were into what they were into. That's probably the focus level they had to have to get the job done.

**When:** 4:30 p.m. Sunday  
**Where:** Petrillo Music Shell, 235 S. Columbus Drive  
**Price:** \$18-\$50; [www.ticketweb.com](http://www.ticketweb.com)

**On his breakthrough feature on the 2006 Kanye West track "Impossible"**

The Kanye one (was a big deal) at home. That was mainly for family members, because they didn't really say all the names of everyone on that song, which kind of sucks sometimes, being a (featured artist). It was just me and Schoolboy Q in the studio, and sometimes they didn't even say my name, and I had the most important part of the song. That comes with the game of being a feature on a song.

**On his frequent collaborations with Kendrick Lamar**

I think the Kendrick Lamar features were more magnetic because of the content. Not just who I was with, but his skill set and my skill set together, I think is an incredible combination. Looking at those songs, and looking at the songs he's put out after that, he's still never done songs like that, that level of touching somebody's soul. I'm honored to have done that with my bro.

**On his working friendship**

**with Chance the Rapper**

Working with Chance is more than just recording. That guy is such a comedian in the studio. I don't think that everybody understands he's an amazing spirit, he's an awesome dude.

**On the time Kanye defended President Donald Trump, and Chance defended Kanye**

I think to know loyalty is to understand that situation. Chance is very loyal to Kanye, and Kanye is very loyal to how he feels (laughs). That explains that, that's holding your brother down. Whether you agree with that or you don't, that's your brother. You talk about the wrong in the car, but right now, you stand up for your brother. Privately, you discuss what's going on.

**On his upcoming show at Grant Park**

That's the stage I couldn't wait to play on. Just being a kid, from the Bulls championship rallies to the blues fest, the gospel fest, I was down there at Grant Park for that. To be a kid and see that stage, I couldn't wait for me to bless it, and that day is finally here.

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POP MUSIC PREVIEW

# ASAP Ferg takes rap music, fashion and hype by storm

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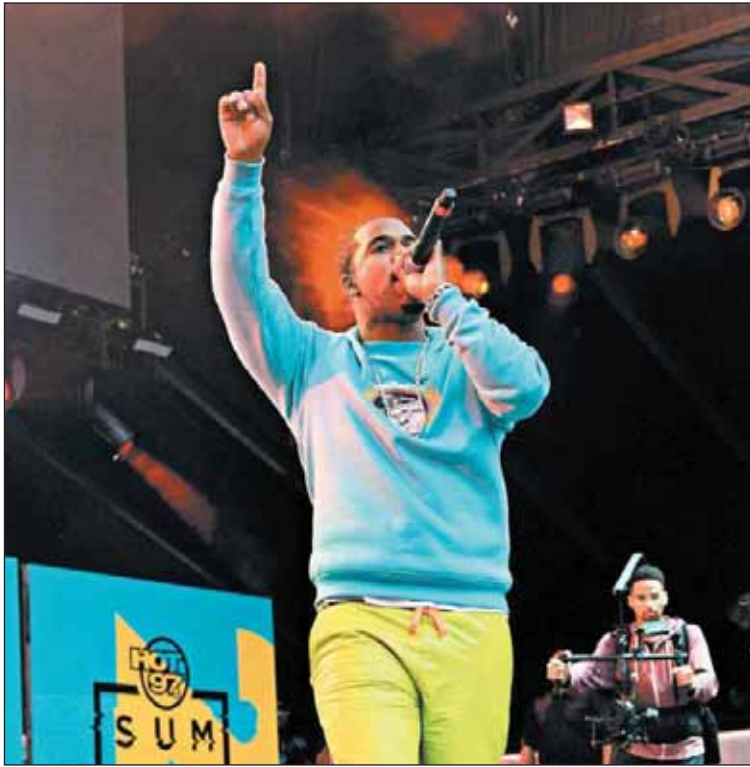
Had he become little more than an afterthought, ASAP Ferg could have been forgiven. After all, earlier this decade, back when his fellow Harlemites in the ASAP Mob first broke onto the hip-hop scene, and were almost immediately heralded as the exalted ones primed to return New York to the heights of its previous rap-game glory, it was the group's swaggering frontman, ASAP Rocky — self-proclaimed "pretty boy," perpetually draped in high-end designer wares like Raf Simons and Yves Saint Laurent — who stole all the shine.

But Ferg, who plays House of Blues on Tuesday, was schooled in the art of patience. Growing up, when other kids his age were goofing off with each other, the rapper born Darold Ferguson Jr. was instead shadowing his father, who owned a Harlem boutique and designed the iconic Bad Boy Records logo. Ferg was learning to appreciate art; at a young age he became enamored with iconic talents like Jean-Michel Basquiat and Andy Warhol. More importantly, the young man was learning to carve out his own identity. "I always got game from people that was older than me," says

**When:** 5 p.m. Tuesday  
**Where:** House of Blues, 329 N. Dearborn St.  
**Tickets:** \$35-\$115; 312-923-2000 or [www.houseofblues.com/chicago](http://www.houseofblues.com/chicago)

Ferg, who in recent years has established himself as hip-hop's pre-eminent Renaissance man: a goofy, slightly weird art-school-educated multihyphenate who once sold high-fashion belts but can readily assume a persona as the gun-toting "Hood Pope," gnarly street tales at the ready. "I surrounded myself with wise people," the 29-year-old adds, "so my perspective is probably a little different from other people my age."

Lately he's become a certified fashion icon — designer Pierpaolo Piccioli cited Ferg as direct inspiration for the Valentino men's spring collection he recently showed at Paris Men's Fashion Week — but it's the way Ferg's effortless brand of charisma seeps into his music that first made him a bona fide star. Like Rocky, Ferg has long showed a reverence for all corners of the hip-hop universe, from Biggie to UGK and Bone Thugs. On his first two albums, he corralled a veritable



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wrecking crew of hip-hop elite, from Future to Missy Elliott and Chuck D. Furthermore, he proudly took up the mantle as a bullhorn for the underrepresented and silenced. "Be the voice of the people who couldn't make it out the hood," he rapped on "Re-birth," the opener to 2016's "Always Strive and Prosper." But it was his surprise hit last year, "Plain Jane," a tightly wound, chest-beating banger off his "Stay Striving" mixtape that, after exploding on streaming services, elevated the rapper's status in a major way.

Ferg says he'd always been fascinated by celebrity, but in the wake of "Plain Jane" going double platinum, he has found himself

re-evaluating fame and, more importantly, how people react to it. "I feel like now, with so much social media, it's like some people are living life as a TV show as opposed to just really living life," he says. It's why he felt it essential to release "Verified," a throbbing new single that takes aim at those whose self-worth is tied up in "the blue check" next to their name on social media services like Twitter and Instagram.

"I wanted to make a statement with that song," he says. "The girls or the young guys who look for verification through Instagram or social media, I want them to look at it and be like, would you still feel the same about yourself if you didn't have the blue check?"

Or what do you even want it for? I feel like we're missing that human communication."

Don't get him wrong — Ferg sees the value in social media. Not only has it helped elevate his own career, but "now kids don't need to sit down for a 9-5. They can become comedians or be models or fashion designers and promote themselves and, depending on how good their talent is or what catches, they have their business up and going."

Recent events, however, have made him put things in perspective. Earlier this year, Ferg canceled a string of tour dates following the death of his close friend and ASAP Mob member, ASAP Press. "Just had to regroup with family and friends," he says. "It's about wellness."

The time off also gave him the space to complete work on his forthcoming third album. "By the way," Ferg says, "you're the first person I've told I finished the album."

And does he plan to release the LP later this year? "We don't know yet. But it's done. It's finished."

Ferg says he's excited to get back on the road and perform for his fans. Music may be front and center at the moment, but he admits he's never one to limit his artistic expression. He likes keeping his options open.

"I use different mediums to express myself," Ferg offers. "So I may not want to put out an album next year. I may just want to have an art show. Or maybe I'll have a fashion show next year. Balance cool."

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# WEEKEND DINING

## JUST OPENED



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Beatnik on the River, which opened Monday, is a sibling to the already successful Beatnik in West Town, with much the same menu.

# Bohemian resort vibes in Loop

BY PHIL VETTEL  
Chicago Tribune

Beatnik on the River, which opened in the Loop on Monday, is attempting to succeed where two previous restaurants — Pearl Tavern and Pearl Brasserie — did not.

Working in the newcomer's favor, perhaps, is that Beatnik on the River isn't a newcomer at all, but a sibling to the already successful Beatnik in West Town (with much the same menu).

Still, Marcos Campos, executive chef for both restaurants, understands the Loop's unique challenges. "It's a different area, not one where people come for dinner," he said. "There are a lot of office workers for lunch, but most people only have 20, 25 minutes to eat."

Accordingly, BOTR and the adjacent Cafe Bonhomme are built for speed during daylight hours. The cafe opens at 7 a.m.



The Beatnik on the River menu includes a snap-pea salad.

weekdays for grab-and-go commuters, offering coffee, juices, pastries and such sandwiches as smoked salmon on a croissant and a brioche-bun egg sandwich with grilled mortadella and spinach aioli. BOTR, which opens at 11 a.m., will offer the same sandwiches as part of a full menu that's available into the evening.

Both restaurants are closed Saturdays and Sundays.

Other menu highlights include a ratatouille and moz-



Jamon iberico-wrapped scallops are another menu highlight.

zarella sandwich that's essentially a two-handed version of escalivada, a smoked vegetable dish native to Spain's Catalan region; and a baguette filled with jamon iberico and tomatoes, a sort-of cross between a BLT and pan con tomate.

Beatnik fans will find favorites such as smoked baba ghanoush, snap-pea salad and hamachi crudo on the Loop menu. The Beatnik Burger, available only at brunch in

West Town, is an everyday option downtown.

Campos said he hopes the bone-in rib-eye will draw a lot of evening interest. The 40-ounce, dry-aged steak, served with mashed potatoes and shishito peppers, is a mere \$59, which is close to loss-leader territory. "We're not going to make a lot of money on this," Campos said. "It's something to get people to come over."

BOTR's location may be the strongest sell, particularly in the summer. "It's one of the most beautiful areas on the river," Campos said. "It's going to make you feel like you're not in Chicago. Morocco, maybe, or Italy."

*Beatnik on the River and Cafe Bonhomme, 180 N. Wacker Drive. Cafe open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Friday; Beatnik 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Friday.*

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## SPEND LESS!

Want to bring the family to Taste of Chicago this weekend? Bring the tykes over to Kids Eat Chicago, a free family-friendly play area right in the heart of the action. Kids can enjoy giant slides, bounce houses, potato sack races and more while family-oriented performances take the stage and institutions like Shedd Aquarium set up special pop-up exhibits. On Sunday, kids and families with special needs can take part in a sensory-friendly morning with unplugged performances and other activities. *Free, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Grant Park.*

— Grace Wong

## WHERE TO EAT NOW

*Restaurant reviews and profiles from Tribune food critic Phil Vettel, staff reporters and freelance writers. Reviewers make every effort to remain anonymous. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.*

**Cruz Blanca** Cooks heap freshly grilled meat and tortillas on a paper-covered platter for DIY assembly at Rick Bayless's long-awaited taqueria. The spot is also a brewery with food-friendly beers. Open: Lunch and dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$13. 904 W. Randolph St., 312-733-1975. — Nick Kindelsperger

**The Delta** Chicago abounds with tamales, but The Delta manages to set itself apart by serving Mississippi Delta tamales. They differ from ubiquitous Mexican tamales in that they are constructed from cornmeal instead of masa (nixtamalized corn), and cooked in a liquid instead of being steamed. Open dinner and late night daily. Prices: Entrees \$5 to \$18. 1745 W. North Ave., 773-360-1793. — Nick Kindelsperger

**De Quay** Chef and owner David de Quay dips into his heritage for this 42-seater, closing July 29. The menu is principally Dutch-inspired, with the occasional nod to Indonesia. The hearty foods are particularly good; Indonesian representations are mild, occasionally to a fault. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$18-\$28. 2470 N. Lincoln Ave., 872-206-8820. — Phil Vettel

**Dos Urban Cantina** In a 100-seat brick-and-oak space, Topolobampo alums Brian Enyart and Jennifer Jones crank out irresistible Mexican-inspired dishes that aren't afraid of a little influence from Italy, the American South or Eastern Europe. Desserts are terrific, there's a budget-conscious wine list and cocktails include a first-rate margarita. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$16-\$21. 2829 W. Armitage Ave., 773-661-6452. — Phil Vettel

**Duck Duck Goat** Reservations

stretch months in advance for a shot at Stephanie Izard's sometimes playful, always balanced Chinese plates. Noodle dishes are a must, and the Peking duck is among the city's best. Cocktails are excellent, which is fortunate, because you'll have one or two if you walk in without a reservation (not a bad strategy). Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$16-\$58. 857 W. Fulton Market, 312-902-3825. — Phil Vettel

**Eden** Husband-wife Devon Quinn and Jodi Fyfe carved a pretty double dining room from the headquarters of their catering company, where Quinn churns out a Mediterranean menu. The seafood and pasta are the best dishes, and Quinn's umami doughnuts, stuffed with pork or mushroom miso, are a must-order starter. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday, brunch Sunday. Prices: Pastas and entrees \$18-\$38. 1748 W. Lake St., 312-366-2294. — Phil Vettel

**El Che Bar** The sequel to John Manion's La Sirena Clandestina is even better than the first. An open hearth is the visual and culinary focal point, from which comes an array of grilled and roasted proteins, including superb steaks and surprises such as grilled oysters and fried cheese. Alexis Chabert's wine list has an apt, New World focus. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Main courses \$14-\$45. 845 W. Washington Blvd., 312-265-1130. — Phil Vettel

**Ella Elli** This restaurant is a sexy space filled with curvy pendant lamps and handsome couches, but it's not all looks: Chef Nolan Narut is putting out some destination-worthy plates, including ricotta gnocchi, sourdough slathered with avocado and everything seasoning, and baby carrots drizzled with harissa-spiked lemon vinaigrette. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Main dishes \$14-\$27. 1349 W. Cornelia Ave., 773-935-3552. — Michael Nagrant

**Elske** Danish is more a state of



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**Ema** At this bright, summery spot, chef CJ Jacobson applies his veggie-focused California style to Mediterranean dishes. Use pieces of naan-like bread to scoop up hummus (especially the version with lamb ragu), then move on to such dishes as baked halloumi with stonefruit. The housemade labneh, above, is a highlight. Open: Dinner daily; lunch Monday-Friday. Prices: Entrees \$17-\$25. 74 W. Illinois St., 312-527-5586. — Phil Vettel

mind than of menu at David and Anna Posey's West Loop restaurant, named for the Danish word for "love" and as warm as a lingering hug. Choose the tasting menu or order a la carte, save room for Anna Posey's desserts and prepare to be wowed. Open: Dinner Wednesday-Sunday. Prices: Tasting menu \$90; a la carte dishes \$15-\$22. 1350 W. Randolph St., 312-733-1314. — Phil Vettel

**Entente** Ty Fujimura (Arami) has another hit with this cozy Lakeview restaurant, which features the talents of chef Brian Fisher, previously at Schwa. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Main courses \$15-\$33. 3056 N. Lincoln Ave., 872-206-8553. — Phil Vettel

**Everest** For 30 years, chef/partner Jean Joho has kept his food at the same lofty level as his 40th-floor dining room in One Financial Place. You won't find

23-course tasting menus here, but you will find a well-managed six-course degustation (\$165) of exquisite balance and substantial portion (no two-bite courses here, excepting the trio of "les preludes" that get the meal off to a lovely start). There are three- and four-course prix-fixe options (\$98 and \$130) as well, and an impressive wine list highlighted by a selection of bottles from Joho's native Alsace. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. 440 S. LaSalle St., 312-663-8920. — Phil Vettel

**fourteensexteen** Though it's a bit checklist-y in its decor (reclaimed wood, weathered brick, Edison bulbs) and scatter-shot on its menu, there's much to like about this restaurant. The rooftop bar is an attractive feature. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$14-\$36. 14 W. Calendar Ave., La Grange, 708-469-7896. — Phil Vettel

**George Trois** This five-table dining room nestled within Restaurant Michael in Winnetka is old-school in the historic sense: Chef Michael Lachowicz studied under some of the greatest masters of French cuisine, including the late Paul Bocuse, Pierre Orsi and the late Jean Banchet. Open: Dinner Thursday-Sunday. Prices: Nine-course \$190. 64 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, 847-562-6105. — Phil Vettel

**Giant** Jason Vincent (ex-Nightwood) is operating an eclectic 44-seater with co-chef Ben Lustbader and partner Josh Perlman. The only common element in a menu that embraces sweet-and-sour eggplant and pecan-smoked ribs is that everything's delicious. The dining room is cheerfully noisy and unpretentious. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Main courses \$16-\$19. 3209 W. Armitage Ave., 773-252-0997. — Phil Vettel

**Gideon Sweet** In 2017, chef Graham Elliot united with former mentor Matthias Merges (who had been chef de cuisine at Charlie Trotter's during Elliot's time there) to create Gideon Sweet, a cocktail-focused small plates spot in the West Loop. Food is meant to go with the thoughtful cocktail menu, so start with the bone-marrow croquette, a crunchy package topped with crab mayonnaise and bonito flakes, a very satisfying one- or two-bite experience. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Small plates \$5-\$16. 841 W. Randolph St., 312-888-2258. — Phil Vettel

**GT Prime** Giuseppe Tentori (also GT Fish & Oyster) turns his back on steakhouse conventions in his second restaurant. There's no raw bar, no oversize potatoes, and steaks are served in precisely trimmed slices, rather than doorstep-sized slabs. The star entree is the Carnivore platter (bison, rib-eye, venison, wagyu). Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Steak \$14-\$56. 707 N. Wells St., 312-600-6305. — Phil Vettel



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# THE THEATER LOOP

BY CHRIS JONES



## Embraceable Bareilles

“We got such a kick out of doing the Tony Awards,” Sara Bareilles said the other day, over the phone as she walked around Los Angeles. “Josh and me? We’re such theater nerds. And we’ve been so warmly embraced on Broadway this last two years.”

That last statement is irrefutable. Josh Groban, Bareilles’ co-host last month and another star from the recording industry, sold a lot of tickets on Broadway to “Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812,” a show that struggled (and closed) once he left. And Bareilles — a singer-songwriter who first emerged in Los Angeles at the beginning of the millennium — wrote the score to the hit musical adaptation of the late Adrienne Shelly’s hit 2007 movie, all about a server who’s trapped in a small Southern town and who bakes her dreams inside her famous handmade pies.

Inclusive, emotionally engaging and kindhearted, “Waitress” is emblematic of a number of trends on Broadway, not the least of which is an increasingly sophisticated understanding of how crucial it is to appeal to women, who buy the vast majority of tickets to Broadway shows.

But working-class characters are still relative rarities in the theater, where creative teams are increasingly dominated by the highly educated, and “Waitress” remains one of the few shows that understands life in America’s small towns and approaches those oft-struggling citizens without big-city condescension. The piece also creates an atypically intimate relationship between cast and band — the director, Diane Paulus, freed the band from the orchestra pit and stuck the musicians inside the diner, which might sound like a contrivance but, in fact, worked beautifully, as it still does every night.

That choice to let singers and musicians share their space added to one of the show’s crucial achievements within the historical trajectory of Broadway musicals — an uncommon level of intimacy.

Bareilles’ music — her songs often function as interior monologues and are suffused with hope — was the key factor. Bareilles did not so much write a traditional Broadway score as a song cycle, very much within the existing style that had gained her so many fans.



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Sara Bareilles, who wrote the music for “Waitress,” has also performed in the show.

And she threw out the rule book when it came to scale and style, focusing musically on a key group of empathetic characters, the dramatic power of human longing, and the wrestling within the hearts of ordinary people. As a result, “Waitress” proved able to communicate with a depth that most musicals never achieve. This had everything to do with the score. Bareilles did not try to change her fundamental identity as a singer-songwriter, most of whom communicate far more intimately through their compositions than your average musical.

So in myriad crucial ways, Bareilles taught the musical something it did not previously know.

“A lot of the story of how this show came to be involved magical left turns,” Bareilles said, when I suggested this theory. “Honestly, this show has reoriented everything for me and it has been the greatest joy of my artistic life. I can’t begin to express how grateful I am.”

What Bareilles did not say was how much she succeeded in reorienting the Broadway musical. Her gig hosting the Tony Awards was, to a large extent, the industry expressing its gratitude to Bareilles.

When “Waitress” came along, Bareilles had been trying to bake a new career for herself as a Broadway performer, expecting to land roles in other peoples’ shows. But it turned out that she got the chance to write an original score — and then to perform it herself. After the exit of the show’s original star, Jessie Mueller, whom she said provided a master class in musical-theater acting, Bareilles got the chance to perform the score herself for a limited run.

Will she go back?  
“I am at the point where I never say never,” she said.

Or compose another show?  
“I certainly have that ambition. But I also now know what an endeavor that is, so it will be all about finding the right project. I am in this new phase of my career. I just want to keep doing things that are interesting.”

*The national tour of “Waitress” plays through July 22 at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.; \$27-\$105 at 800-775-2000 and [www.broadwayinchicago.com](http://www.broadwayinchicago.com)*

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## OPENINGS

### Saturday

“**Scary Stories to Save Your Life**”: Presented by the About Face Youth Theater, this series of real-life political horror stories is balanced out by moments of resistance. *Through July 22 at Center on Halsted, Hoover-Leppen Theatre, 3656 N. Halsted St.; 773-784-8565 and [www.aboutfacetheatre.com](http://www.aboutfacetheatre.com)*

“**Shrew’d**”: The jazz-driven update on Shakespeare’s “The Taming of the Shrew” sets the reluctant romance in Chicago and bestows sisters Bianca and Kate with musical gifts. *Through Aug. 19 at First Folio Theatre, 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook; 630-986-8067 and [www.firstfolio.org](http://www.firstfolio.org)*

### Sunday

“**Heartbreak Hotel**”: Elvis is in the building with this jukebox musical chronicling his quick 18 months from low-key crooner to superstar. *Through Sept. 9 at the Broadway Playhouse, 175 E. Chestnut St.; 800-775-2000 and [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)*

“**The Lady With All the Answers**”: Written by David Rambo, the show gives a behind-the-scenes look at newspaper advice columnist Ann Landers as she prepares to write her most difficult piece yet. *Through Aug. 12 at Theatre at the Center, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, Ind.; 219-836-3255 and [www.theatreatthecenter.com](http://www.theatreatthecenter.com)*

### Monday

“**Everybody**”: A modern reprisal of the medieval morality play, the show’s cast is chosen from an audience lottery at each performance. *Through Aug. 12 at Pride Arts Center, 4147 N. Broadway; [www.brownpaperbox.org](http://www.brownpaperbox.org)*

### Tuesday

“**Bus Stop**”: Eclipse Theatre Company puts on a show that follows a bus stranded by a snowstorm, sending all of its riders into a diner for the night and forcing them all to get along. *Through Aug. 19 at Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Ave.; 773-935-6875 and [www.eclipsetheatre.com](http://www.eclipsetheatre.com)*

### Wednesday

“**The Color Purple**”: Based upon Alice Walker’s novel of the same name, “The Color Purple” follows four decades of the resilient Cecile’s life in rural Georgia. *Through July 22 at the Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Congress Parkway; 800-775-2000 and [www.auditoriumtheatre.org](http://www.auditoriumtheatre.org)*

### Thursday

“**The Hero’s Wife**”: Karyssa endures the night terrors of her retired Navy SEAL husband, Cameron, in order to forge their life together. *Through Aug. 18; presented by 16th Street Theater at the Berwyn Cultural Center, 6420 16th St., Berwyn; 708-795-6704 and [www.16thstreettheater.org](http://www.16thstreettheater.org)*

## CHRIS JONES RECOMMENDS

### “20,000 Leagues Under the Seas”

★★★★½

Say “Nemo” and most kids now think of the Disney clownfish. But in 1870, the great Jules Verne imagined Capt. Nemo as a misanthropic, Homeric wanderer at the helm of a great submarine on an endless voyage. As played with relish by Kareem Bandealy, Nemo is at the core of “20,000 Leagues Under the Seas,” the new adaptation of the story you can see at the Lookingglass Theatre. It’s a major piece of Lookingglass art — visually exciting, bursting with puppets, rigging, circus feats and emotional intelligence. It should be a big summer hit. *Through Aug. 26 at Lookingglass Theatre, 821 N. Michigan Ave.; \$45-\$80 at 312-337-0665 and [www.lookingglasstheatre.org](http://www.lookingglasstheatre.org)*

### “Blue Man Group”

★★★★½

“Blue Man Group” has been playing at Briar Street since 1997, a remarkable run of 20-plus years. There have been only two major overhauls in that time; the latest adds selfie sticks, new music and a livelier finale. I’d argue the Blue Men need a bigger overhaul — they still chomp marshmallows, bang drums and paint up audience members — but this remains a fine gateway for the young into the arts. If you’ve never had the pleasure, go. *Open run at the Briar Street Theatre, 3133 N. Halsted St.; \$49-\$69 at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)*

### “Buddy — The Buddy Holly Story”

★★★★

What was the first jukebox musical? I’d argue Alan Janes’ “Buddy — The Buddy Holly Story,” which dates back to 1989 and is now having a blast at on Belmont Avenue. Zachary Stevenson does the honors as the singer in thick glasses for American Blues Theater. This show has all the jukebox musical clichés — the supportive radio DJ,

the kids dying for a new sound — but these were not theatrical clichés in 1989. Young Stevenson has buckloads of enthusiasm; if you don’t like him, you don’t like much of anybody. *Through Sept. 15 at Stage 773, 1225 W. Belmont Ave.; \$19-\$49 at 773-327-5252 or [www.americanblues theater.com](http://www.americanblues theater.com)*

### “Dream Freaks Fall From Space”

★★★★

A sleep-deprived woman heads into a Brookstone. “What about a demo of this white noise machine?” asks the African-American salesman. “I don’t have one black friend, I have two ....” That chance for everyone to laugh at race got a huge response at Second City, where the terrific new revue “Dream Freaks Fall From Space” (directed by Ryan Bernier) is a return to form for the storied Chicago company. All great Second City mainstage revues — and I’d put this one in the top 10 of the last 20 — fear not the absurd, and realize you can hit all the harder against ignorance and prejudice when you engage your audience. *Open run on the Second City Mainstage, 1616 N. Wells St.; \$29-\$46 at 312-337-3992 and [www.secondcity.com](http://www.secondcity.com)*

### “Gaslight District”

★★★★

The best work in the new Second City e.t.c. Stage revue “Gaslight District” engages at an equal level with the paying customers in the seats. For example, there’s a terrific Uber Pool bit mocking the faux communities that emerge in the traffic-snarling world of shared rides. And cast member Jasbir Singh Vazquez plays a guy who shows up at the offices of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, requesting his own deportation. Vazquez is as good as anyone I’ve seen on the e.t.c. Stage. I wouldn’t say new director Anneliese Toft’s revue is fully secure



JOAN MARCUS PHOTO

Desi Oakley, left, Charity Angel Dawson and Lenne Klingaman in “Waitress.”

## HOT TICKET

### “Waitress” ★★★★★

“Easy as pie” doesn’t apply to the life of Jenna, the anguished-but-warmhearted baking whiz at the heart of the musical “Waitress.” Adapted from the 2007 film, with a book by Jessie Nelson, score by Sara Bareilles and directed by Diane Paulus, this show made history two years ago as Broadway’s first musical with an all-female creative team; the touring production is now at the Cadillac Palace Theatre. Nelson hews close to the sweet quirkiness of the movie, which dances with stereotypes yet somehow finds moments of incandescent insight in the story of Jenna (Desi Oakley) and her fellow waitrons at Joe’s Diner. The female bonding in this show lifts it above the predictable moments in the narrative. *Through July 22 at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.; tickets \$27-\$105 at 800-775-2000 and [www.broadwayinchicago.com](http://www.broadwayinchicago.com)*

— Kerry Reid

in its own skin, but it’s funny and knows how to hit hard against soft targets. *Open run on the Second City e.t.c. Stage, 1608 N. Wells St. in Piper’s Alley; \$21-\$48 at 312-337-3992 and [www.secondcity.com](http://www.secondcity.com)*

### “Guards at the Taj”

★★★★

Rajiv Joseph’s play “Guards at the Taj” is steeped in the myths surrounding the building of the Taj Mahal, the wondrous mausoleum in the Indian city of Agra. Steppenwolf’s Amy Morton directed this play’s world premiere in New York — the show now in the Upstairs Theatre restages that 2015 production, replete with its two original stars, Omar Metwally and Arian Moayed. In Joseph’s black comedy, they play guards, guys in the margins. *Through July 22 in the Steppenwolf Upstairs Theatre, 1650 N. Halsted St.; \$20-\$94 at 312-335-1650 and [www.steppenwolf.org](http://www.steppenwolf.org)*

### “Hamilton”

★★★★★

This is a Chicago-style production. The heartland “Hamilton” is performed by players mostly younger and less experienced than the original New York cast and is less flashy. But it is more in touch with the fundamental scrappiness of the early years of a rebel colony turned into a spectacular democratic experiment. That Chicago-style sensibility is led by Miguel Cervantes, the superb actor in the title role. *Open run at CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St.; \$65-\$400 at 800-775-2000 or [www.broadwayinchicago.com](http://www.broadwayinchicago.com)*

### “Hamlet”

★★★★

At one point in director Monty Cole’s contemporary “Hamlet” at the Gift Theatre in Jefferson Park, the title character picks up a can of red spray paint and goes to work like a graffiti artist: “Your silence will not

protect you.” Fascinating. Cole is an audacious young African-American director, much inclined to throw rocks at the theatrical establishment. I was mightily impressed with his small-cast “Hamlet,” which stars the exceptional young Chicago talent Daniel Kyri. *Through July 29 at the Gift Theatre, 4802 N. Milwaukee Ave.; \$35-\$40 at 773-283-7071 or [www.thegifttheatre.org](http://www.thegifttheatre.org)*

### “Haymarket”

★★★★½

A girl of roughly middle-school age was directly in my field of vision at the Den Theatre; by the end of “Haymarket,” I could see that her eyes were flooded with tears. Not bad for a musical about a labor protest in 19th-century Chicago. The Underscore Theatre Company’s “Haymarket” is the musicalized story of one of the bloodiest days in the history of Chicago, with book, music and

lyrics by Alex Higgin-Houser and David Kornfeld. It’s a highly effective, made-in-Chicago musical that’s well worth a look. *Through July 22 at the Den Theatre, 1331 N. Milwaukee Ave.; \$30-\$35 at 773-697-3830 or [www.underscoretheatre.org](http://www.underscoretheatre.org)*

### “Southern Gothic”

★★★★★

A house has been built inside the Windy City Playhouse on Irving Park Road. Not the usual stage set. As you walk into the theater for the play “Southern Gothic” by Leslie Liautaud, you’re asked to enter what looks like a real house, replete with a lime-green kitchen, created by set designer Scott Davis for director David Bell’s production. You and your 27 fellow audience members join four couples, variously loving, scheming, cheating and feuding, whose political and personal travails make up a play set entirely during a fraught dinner party in Ashford, Ga., in 1961. Thanks to this truthful cast, it all works spectacularly well. *Through July 29 at the Windy City Playhouse, 3014 W. Irving Park Road; \$65-\$85 at 773-891-8985 and [www.windycityplayhouse.com](http://www.windycityplayhouse.com)*

### “Support Group for Men”

★★★★½

The remarkable thing about “Support Group for Men,” a laugh-out-loud new comedy at the Goodman Theatre by Ellen Fairery, directed in its premiere by Kimberly Senior, is that it manages to deal with many of the complex issues of the day — gender politics, the #MeToo movement — while being compassionate toward all sides. Set in an apartment at Clark and Roscoe streets on Chicago’s North Side, it follows a group of men who meet at a Thursday night bonding ritual. This is a very carefully structured play that comes and goes in a swift 90 minutes, but its messiest moments actually are the best. *Through July 29 at the Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St.; \$25-\$80 at 312-443-3800 and [www.goodmantheatre.org](http://www.goodmantheatre.org)*





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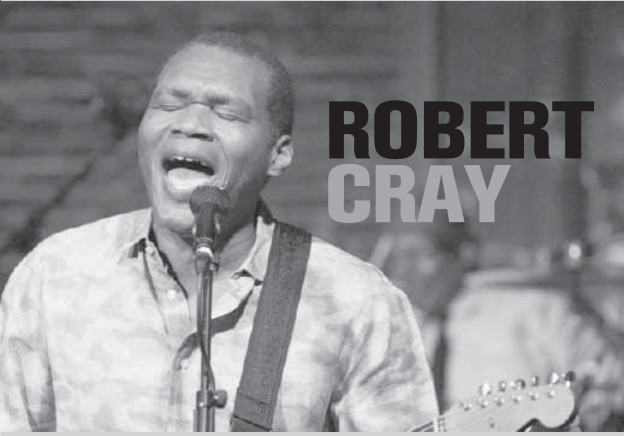
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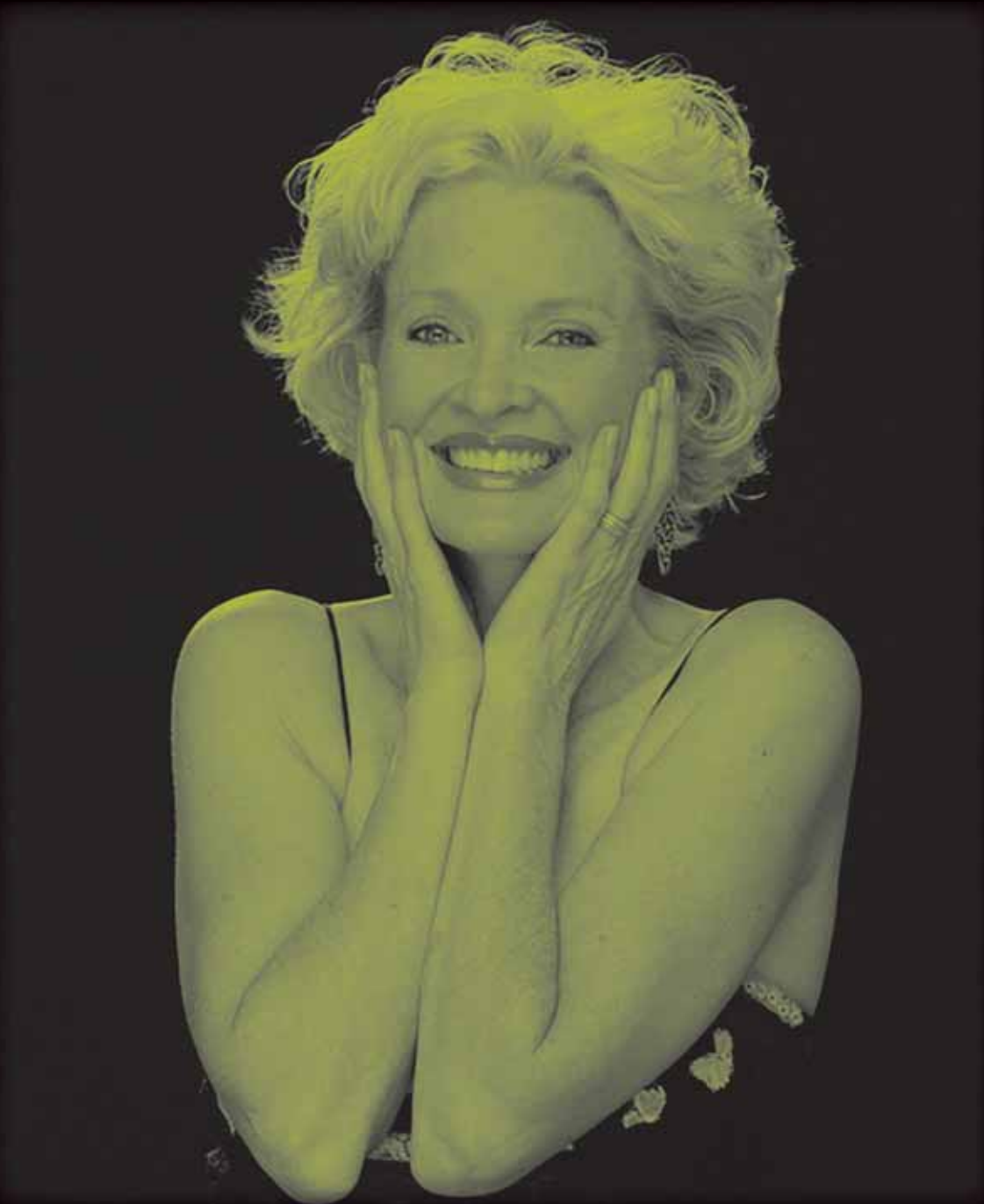
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### Ford sharpens small car focus

If you've ever driven the current Ford Focus, you know that the car is unexpectedly entertaining to drive. Credit its European design and engineering for this.

At the same time, the majority of current Ford Focus models are equipped with a 6-speed automated manual gearbox that has generated a ton of complaints from owners, ranging from rough shifting to outright component failure. Don't believe me? Check out the Consumer Reports reliability chart for the Focus dating back to 2012.

This record, perhaps more than any other reason, has deterred people from choosing the otherwise appealing Focus over other small cars. With the redesigned 2020 Focus, Ford will attempt to push the re-set button.

Engineered to serve small car buyers all around the world, the new Focus cements Ford's global approach to product development. In order to create the new car, the company says it spent significant time talking with current Focus owners, and while the next-generation Focus will share common parts all around the planet, it will be tailored to specific regions.

The all-new Focus will be offered first in China and Europe later in the 2018 calendar year, followed by a U.S.-market launch during the second half of 2019.

Larger interior with more rear seat and cargo space

Globally, the Focus is available in 5-door hatchback, 4-door sedan, and station wagon body styles, and in specification levels ranging from basic to performance-tuned to luxurious.

Ford showed Titanium, Vignale (the equivalent to Ford's U.S. Platinum trim), Active, and ST trim levels at the car's debut for the Chinese and European markets. The North American lineup is yet to be determined. However, Titanium and ST are good bets to return, and the Focus Active looks interesting, given consumer appetites for small crossovers.

Stylistically, the new Focus looks familiar. Up front the appearance is similar to the current car, and in the hatchback body style the design and detailing recall a first-generation Mazda 3 from the windshield back. All three versions include what appears to be a BMW-derived Hofmeister kink just aft of the rear windows.

Dimensionally, according to Ford, the new Focus is essentially unchanged from the outgoing model. However, a stretched hood, a longer wheelbase, and cab-rearward interior placement make it look lengthier than the current model.

Despite this approach, Ford says the interior contains more passenger, storage, and cargo space, solving complaints about the outgoing Focus. By Ford's ruler, rear seat leg, knee, and shoulder room improve a minimum of two inches, depending on the measurement. The cabin's rear floor is flat, too, making the rear seating area look and feel more spacious.

Should U.S. customers be lucky enough to choose the Focus wagon, it supplies 58 cu.-ft. of maximum cargo space, accessed using levers in the cargo area that fold the rear seat backs down. An available hands-free liftgate opens by kicking a foot under the bumper, and the removable cargo cover stores under a flexible load floor when it's not needed. Plus, Ford says the wagon's cargo area has been designed to accommodate large pet carriers.

Ford also claims that the new Focus's interior materials benefit from greater refinement, such as inclusion of soft kneepads on the sides of the center console for added occupant comfort. Noise levels are expected to be lower.

Finally, Ford predicts that quality will improve through reduced complexity. Configurations will dip dramatically.

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Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct or transaction of Business in The State" as amended, that a Certification was filed by the Undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County **File No. D18154894** on the **Date: July 3, 2018** Under the Assumed Name of: **ORGANIC FOOD COMA** with the business located at: **3011 COMMERCIAL AVE NORTHBROOK, IL, 60062** The true name and residence Address of the owner is: **ALLEN SOYFER 4110 LINDENWOOD LN NORTHBROOK, IL, 60062**

## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF **Amani L. Bryant**

A MINOR **NO. 2018JD00977**

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Antwan Bryant (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **June 18, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Darryl Jones** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON **07/26/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 57 COURTROOM 7,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT July 13, 2018**

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: **M. Long, D. Augustine**

ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 SOUTH HAMILTON CITY/STATE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

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ADVERTISEMENT DATE: July 13, 2018

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BID DUE DATE: July 20, 2018 at 10:00 AM

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF **Gracie Herrera**

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Lexi Herrera (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00544**

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **June 12, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **08/02/2018 at 10:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 3 COURTROOM C, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

**UNLESS YOU** appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

**UNLESS YOU** appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS July 13, 2018**

## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

**PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE**

Draft 2018 Annual Action Plan The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development currently receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds on an annual entitlement basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft 2018 Annual Action Plan, which summarizes available funding resources as well as related proposed activities designed to meet community, housing, and economic development needs in suburban Cook County.

Draft Substantial Amendment to the 2017 Annual Action Plan The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development currently receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding on an annual entitlement basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft Substantial Amendment to its 2017 Annual Action Plan, which proposes new CDBG-funded and ESG-funded activities to better meet community development needs in suburban Cook County.

Applicable Public Comment Period: 30 Days - July 13, 2018- August 12, 2018

Public Comment Opportunities An important part of the process of developing a Substantial Amendment is to promote citizen participation and solicit input. The Draft may be reviewed at the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development offices at 69 West Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, or on-line at the Cook County website during the applicable public comment periods specified above at this link: <https://www.cookcountyll.gov/service/public-notices-planning-and-development-0>

All interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments. Written comments for the Draft Annual Action Plan and Draft Substantial Amendment are being accepted during the applicable public comment period specified above and must be received by 4 p.m. on the last day of the aforementioned public comment period in order to receive consideration. Written comments must be directed to Dominic Tocci, Deputy Director, Cook County Department of Planning and Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, [dominic.tocci@cookcountyll.gov](mailto:dominic.tocci@cookcountyll.gov).

Additionally, the Substantial Amendment is presented at public hearings conducted by the Cook County Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC). Please see this link for upcoming meeting details and agendas: <https://www.cookcountyll.gov/agency/economic-development-advisory-committee-edac>

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF **Lakwane J Williams**

A MINOR **NO. 2018JD01043**

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Kenneth Williams (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **June 28, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Stuart Lubin** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON **07/26/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 58 COURTROOM 11,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT July 13, 2018**

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: **B. Pucci, C. Valluis**

ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 SOUTH HAMILTON CITY/STATE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

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## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF **Taboo McNeil AKA Taboo Otto McNeil**

A MINOR **NO. 2018JD01076**

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Taboo McNeil (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **July 1, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Cynthia Ramirez** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON **07/26/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 52 COURTROOM 2,

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Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT July 13, 2018**

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: **N. Loza, M. Walsh, L. Carlson**

ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 SOUTH HAMILTON CITY/STATE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE

Take notice that an application for a retail Liquor license had been filed by **CHAD WARD** 2916 W. Quartz Dunlap, IL 61525 For Cardinal Restaurant Group Blondie's 461 Waukegan Road, Suite 483 Northbrook, IL 60062 Any objections to the granting of said license shall be made to the President of the Board of Commissioners and Deputy Liquor Commissioner, in writing, signed by the objector, within ten days of the date of this notice, stating specifically the grounds of the objection. Any objections should be mailed to: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 1160, Chicago, Illinois 60602

**Zahra Ali** Deputy Liquor Commissioner

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Take notice that an application for a retail Liquor license had been filed by **GARY LEFF** 5456 N. Lakewood Avenue Chicago, IL 60640 For Stella's 9394 Ballard Road Des Plaines, IL 60016 Any objections to the granting of said license shall be made to the President of the Board of Commissioners and Deputy Liquor Commissioner, in writing, signed by the objector, within ten days of the date of this notice, stating specifically the grounds of the objection. Any objections should be mailed to: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 1160, Chicago, Illinois 60602

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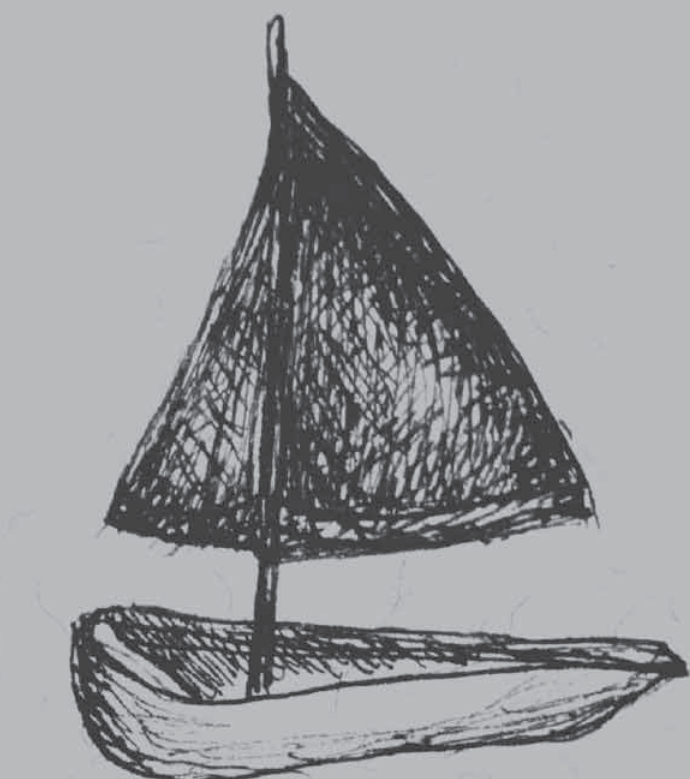
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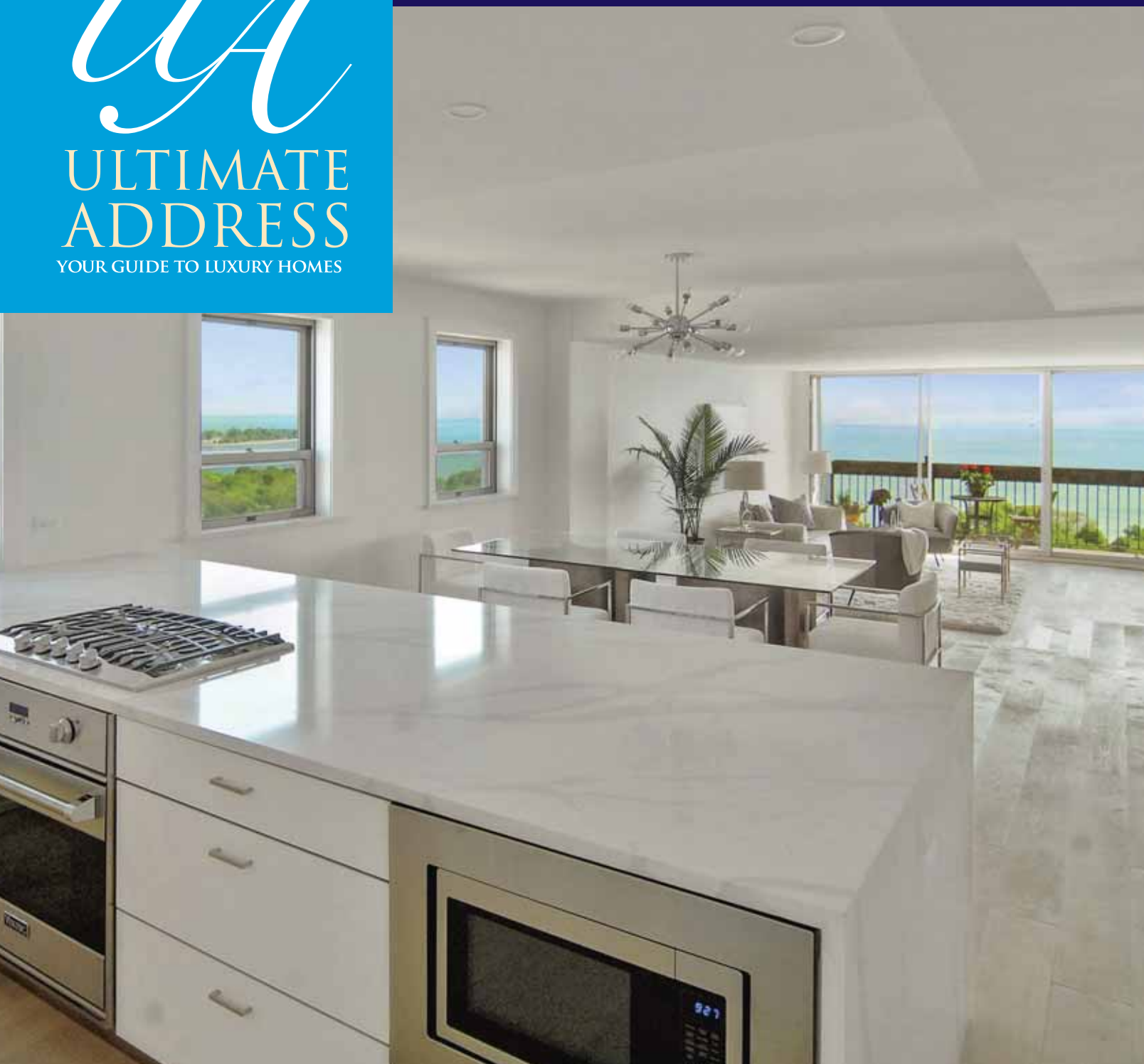
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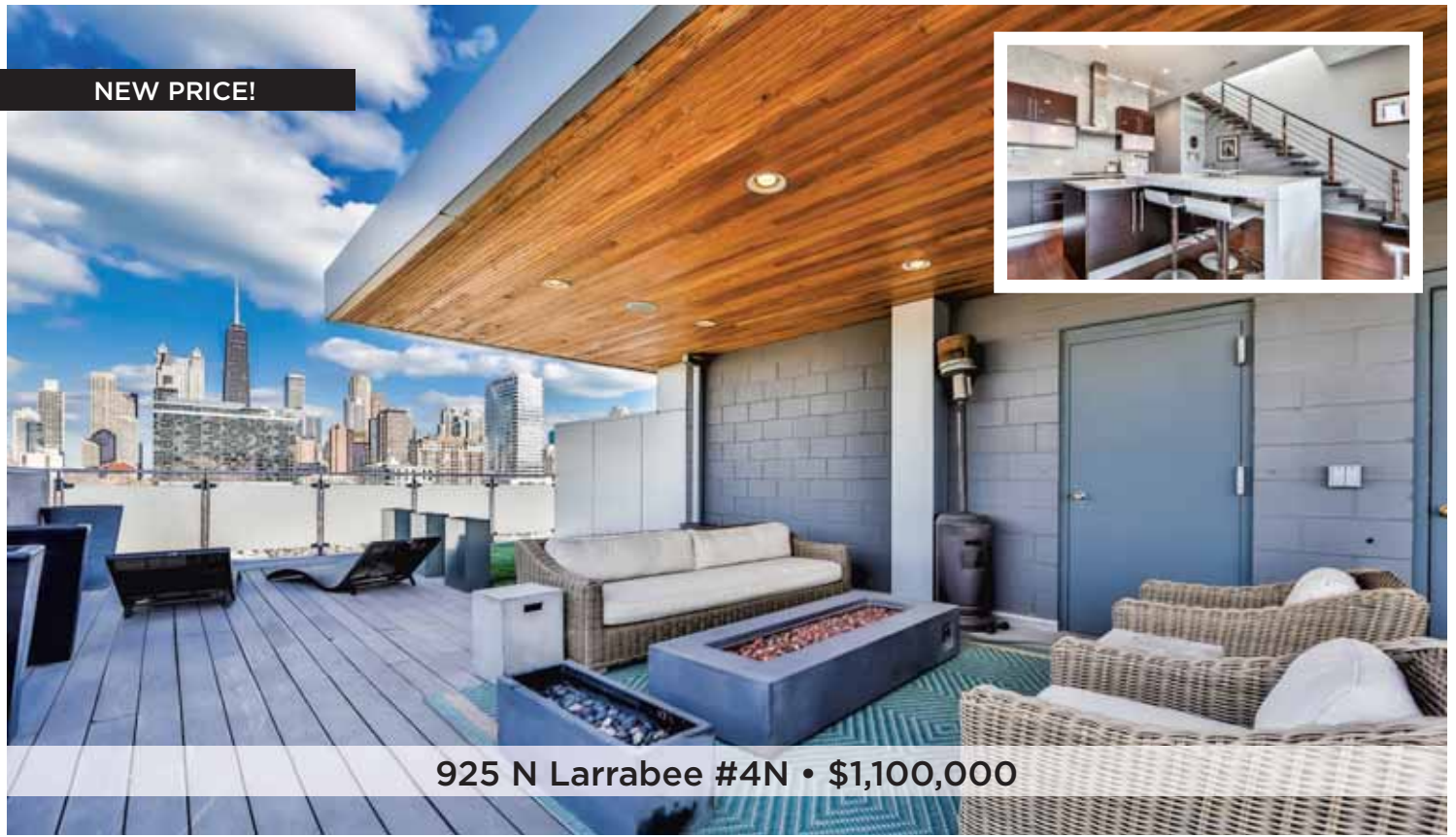


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Three generous bedrooms include a fabulous master suite with it's own terrace, loads of closets, and a huge bath with walls of back-painted glass and penny tile, double vanity, enormous walk-in shower,

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This boutique mid-century modern building has it's own rooftop pool, deck, work-out room, and fantastic garage with abundant parking - and free guest parking available.

Situated in the best part of East Lakeview, the location offers the most New Yorky lifestyle anywhere in the City. With a vibrant street life on Broadway - and up and down its side streets, you can easily walk to neighborhood cafes, coffee houses, theaters, and boutiques, visiting with neighbors and shop owners along the way. In some sense, it feels more like a small town than any small town - people walk, they visit, they enjoy the best of city life. In a few steps, you can jog (or walk) along

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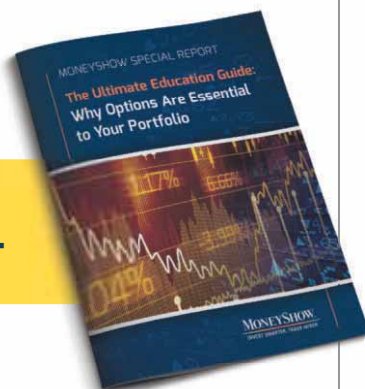
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## The Realities of Tariffs for Traders and Investors



*Theoretically, the biggest beneficiaries of aluminum and steel tariffs will be the U.S. producers of aluminum and steel. There are a number of operations that have been idle because of the low cost of global prices for aluminum and steel that could be brought back on line, writes **Dan Gramza**.*

Other winners from tariffs are the nations that are not involved in the tariffs because of potential increase in demand for their products that do not have the tariffs to overcome.

The potential losers would be the producers that utilize aluminum and/or steel in their products. For example, 77% of the steel used in the U.S. for pipeline construction is from overseas.

Keep in mind that some of the early studies indicate that the actual impact on the finished product may be relatively small.

The U.S. is the world's biggest importer of steel and aluminum. Steel imports are about 33% of the 100 million tons of steel used by U.S. industry every year. Aluminum imports are about 60% of the aluminum supply, according to the Aluminum Association, citing 2017 data. Direct import of steel from China is less than 2%.

Most of China's steel comes to the U.S. indirectly. China sends unfinished steel products to South Korea and Vietnam, to add final touches before the finished product is sent to the U.S. under another country's label.

On car imports the U.S. charges 2.5%, Europe charges 10%, and China charges 25%, which was recently reduced to 15%.

European car manufacturers have proposed to eliminate all tariffs.

U.S. farmers in particular are concerned that China might retaliate. The U.S. is the world's top producer of soybeans, and the number 1 customer for U.S. soybeans is China. China could shift more of its soybean business to other major producers like Brazil and Argentina. Soybeans could be targeted for another reason. Eight of the biggest soybean exporting states voted for Trump in 2016.

Trade tariffs were used after WW I and in the late 1920s. Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama imposed trade tariffs including tariffs on steel and aluminum with what appears to be no appreciable result.

The White House talks tough, but it has also sent signals it's willing to deal.

Trump said he doubts we'll "have a trade war" and he suggested the tariffs are a negotiating tool to pressure Mexico and Canada into a quicker rework of the North American Free Trade Agreement. He has also hinted he's open to joining the Trans-Pacific Partnership, from which he pulled out in his first year in office.

The markets are reacting to the anticipation of what may happen, not the resulting reality, which has not occurred yet. Typically, these anticipation reactions rarely cause a lasting trend change.

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## Trading Options for the Conservative Investor



*Prevailing conventional wisdom relegates options trading to the very risky, essentially gambling, genre of trading. One doesn't have to go very far to see the extreme marketing hype*

*used to promote some options trading services. One popular ad tells us that a trading account of \$4,600 grew to almost half million dollars in two years. That claim requires gains of over 900% two years in a row. Really? writes **Dr. Kerry Given**.*

Another ad tells us we can "bank \$500 of extra cash income every week from any size account." It is true that a conservative investor may sell options very safely and generate returns on the order of one half of one percent in a week. But that return of \$500 would require an account of \$100,000—"any size account"?

In light of these infomercial-like ads, it isn't surprising that conservative investors are scared away from options.

Even the most conservative stockholder should learn about using put options to protect their stock portfolio. Buying a put option to protect a stock position before the company's earnings announcement constitutes a prudent management of risk. One may also buy index put options to protect the entire portfolio when a market correction appears likely. Some conservative investors maintain a small ongoing position of index put options as portfolio insurance.

Selling options as a method for generating income is well known, but largely misunderstood, because of the marketing hype and the horror stories of misuse. The covered call is created when one sells a call option against the trader's stock holding and is widely considered the safest of all options trading strategies.

In fact, some brokers only offer covered calls to their clients who wish to trade options.

Selling put options has a notorious reputation. Like many things in life, selling puts may be dangerous in the wrong hands. Following three simple rules opens selling put options to the conservative investor:

Only sell puts on solid blue-chip stocks.

Always have the cash available in the account to buy the stock if the put is exercised.

Always have a contingent stop loss order entered that will execute automatically if the stock pulls back below the break-even price.

Wilshire Analytics published a study recently that compares the buy-and-hold strategy on the S&P 500 companies with selling covered calls and selling cash secured puts on those stocks.

Over 30 years, the selling cash secured puts strategy outperformed the buy-and-hold strategy.

More importantly, the risk of these option selling strategies, as measured by the standard deviation of the returns, was over 30% less than the risk of the buy-and-hold approach. The maximum account drawdowns over this period were about 30% less for the options strategies, and the recoveries from the drawdowns in the options strategies were almost half that of the buy and hold. Many academic studies have confirmed these results.

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*Options are versatile financial instruments that can help investors achieve various investment goals. Investors typically use options strategies to gain market exposure, generate*

*income, and protect their investments. The Options Industry Council (OIC) is celebrating its 25th anniversary as the leading educational resource for investors who use or want to learn how to trade U.S. exchange-listed options, writes Joe Burgoyne.*

Founded in 1992 by the Options Clearing Corp., the world's largest equity derivatives clearinghouse, and the U.S. options exchanges, OIC works to increase the awareness, knowledge, and responsible use of exchange-listed options globally among individual investors, financial advisors, and institutional asset managers.

Every five years since 1995, OIC has commissioned a national survey designed to create a profile of the current retail options investor to better understand how and why they use options, and to compare options investors to non-options investors. The 2015 OIC Study of Investors found that options users are significantly more likely than non-options users to consider themselves extremely knowledgeable investors, to be more passionate about investing, to consider themselves "investors" and not "savers", and to be more willing to take risks in order to achieve financial rewards.

The study also found that a lack of understanding or knowledge is the major stumbling block preventing non-users from currently trading options.

The survey results help OIC better develop and direct its unbiased options education efforts with retail investors on behalf of the listed options industry.

Due in large part to OIC's educational programs and outreach in coordination with industry partners, investors' use of options has grown dramatically since 1992. In 1992, 202 million options contracts were traded. In 2017, options contract volume reached the third highest total volume ever with more than 4.3 billion options contracts traded—an increase of more than 21 times.

OIC offers something for every investor, no matter their level of market knowledge. One way to get started is through the MyPath online education program, where individual investors take a self-assessment that evaluates their knowledge level and suggests a starting point for beginning their curriculum.

Investors can take a basic class online, as well as more advanced courses, or listen to a webinar and a podcast or watch a strategy video. More experienced investors can also check out OIC's research area, which includes academic studies on the performance of various trading strategies.

OIC works to help financial advisors understand how options can be a differentiator for their practice. A 2017 study sponsored by the OIC, *How Financial Advisors Use and Think About Exchange-Listed Options* sheds light on what financial advisors think about exchange-listed options and how they use them to help meet their clients' financial goals.

The study found that approximately one-third of financial advisors currently use options in 20% of client portfolios, and that usage is expected to increase by 30% in the next three years. It also helps to identify target audiences and educational tactics that may lead to increased adoption of exchange-listed options strategies among financial advisors.

OIC aims to lead deeper discussions with the institutional investor community on the strategic benefits of exchange-listed options and how these strategies can potentially improve risk-adjusted returns and address a big challenge faced by pension funds—underfundedness. OIC sponsored the study, *How Institutional Investors Use and Think About Exchange-Listed Options*, which found that more than 80% of institutional investors who use exchange-listed options are satisfied with the performance against major market benchmarks. Pension plans and endowments may be overlooking investments in options strategies and should be considering them as a means to improve risk-adjusted returns. OIC offers a variety of educational programs to help investors, advisors, and institutional managers understand the benefits and risks of exchange-listed options.

With growing interest in digital education, OIC offers a video series to help investors better understand some of the more popular option strategies such as the long put, covered combo, and cash-secured put. The Options Strategy Builders tool was also added to the OIC website where users can simulate the popular covered call, collar, cash-secured put, and covered combination strategies.

The Options Strategy Builders tool is as easy to use because all you have to do is select the strategy, choose the stock or ETF symbol, and then select the expiration date.

The tool builds the strategy and displays the potential results. Additionally, OIC continues to offer live seminars and participates in investor conferences with live presentations that will also be simulcast in order to reach investors interested in learning about options online. Some of the topics include options fundamentals and popular options trading strategies. All of these educational offerings are available for free on the website, [www.OptionsEducation.org](http://www.OptionsEducation.org).

At OIC, we believe that providing unbiased education to market participants will continue to be a key factor in increasing the adoption of options strategies. Education on these flexible and complex financial instruments is important now more than ever as investors and financial advisors seek diverse solutions that generate income and protect their portfolios as they continue to navigate through uncertain economic environments.

**Joe Burgoyne is Director of Individual Investor Education, The Options Industry Council.**



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## Get Paid While You Wait to Sell Stocks at a Higher Price



*A common investment strategy is to buy a house or apartment and rent it out for income. Frankly, this idea never appealed to me because it just seemed like a lot of work. My mother's third*

*husband owned a few rental properties in a low-income section of Pittsburgh, PA, where I grew up, writes **Laurie Itkin**.*

It was difficult to evict tenants who were late on their rent. Sometimes his assets were not generating income. I remember how hard my mother worked to clean the apartments after tenants moved out.

If your goal is to generate supplemental income, consider "renting out" your stock. It is so much easier, faster, and convenient. The practice of selling call options against stock you already own is called covered call writing. A covered call consists of two steps: you buy shares of stock (or use stock you already own) and then sell call options against those shares of stock. You can use either stock or

ETFs as the underlying security.

A small percentage of financial advisors (including myself) specialize in this type of strategy. It is also something you can learn to do on your own—with some education and coaching—in a self-directed brokerage account or IRA.

Writing covered calls is not a "get rich quick" strategy but is an excellent way to generate income, which you can spend or reinvest. If you like receiving dividend income from stocks, you'll love receiving call option premium income on top of that. With covered call writing, you can generate income from many stocks that do not pay a dividend.

### Which strategy is better: buy and hold or covered call?

Assume Brenda and Carol each buy 100 shares of ABC Company (ABC) at \$50 per share. Carol, in addition to buying the stock, also sells one ABC call option with a \$53 strike price.

Immediately she receives a \$100 premium for selling the call option, which is credited to her account.

While both women made the same \$5,000 investment for the stock, one way to think about it is that Carol received a \$100 "rebate." That means that Carol's cost basis was lowered from \$5,000 to \$4,900. Similar to a rebate on a product you might purchase, Carol is permitted to use that \$100 on anything she wants.

Although Carol received income that Brenda did not, the trade-off is that Carol's maximum profit is capped at \$400 no matter how high the stock goes up in price. That is because she must sell the stock at \$53 per share if the call option buyer wants to purchase her stock any time before the option expires.

So, which is the better strategy? Brenda's buy-and-hold strategy is the more profitable strategy *only* if ABC's stock price rises above \$54.

If you have a strong conviction that a stock is going to move up in price by a significant amount within a fixed period of time, then you might want to buy stock without selling call options against it.

However, do you ever really know how much a stock is going to increase in value within 30, 60, or 90 days?

If the value of the stock falls significantly, the loss from holding the stock will, in many cases, outweigh the gain you received from the option premium. That means you still need to select high-quality stocks and ETFs that work together in a manner to create a diversified portfolio that reflects your risk-to-reward preference. However, since you also create downside protection by selling call options, you create a cushion you don't have when you simply buy stock.

**Laurie Itkin is a financial advisor, author of *Every Woman Should Know Her Options: Invest Your Way to Financial Empowerment*, and founder of *TheOptionsLady.com*.**

## How to Day Trade with Limited Risk and Without Premature Stop Outs



*Conceivably the most difficult method of speculation is day trading E-mini S&P 500 futures, yet it is this very practice that attracts the lion's share of speculative dollars into the futures markets. Further, it is*

*E-mini day trading that gets all of the attention and hype resulting in unrealistic expectations of instant wealth, writes **Carley Garner**.*

Despite the massive profit potential evident in the low margin and high volatility offered by futures day-trading strategies, the reality is most attempts to profit from such are epic failures. The majority of new traders underestimate the challenges that come with free and abundant leverage, and even worse, they focus on the profit potential while downplaying the risk.

Losses are generally blamed on one simple, yet nearly impossible to perfect aspect of day trading: risk management. The dilemma traders struggle with is whether to use stop-loss orders to prevent runaway losses but face the risk of being prematurely stopped out of an otherwise good position.

Conversely, traders can avoid the risk of being forced out of a potentially profitable speculation prematurely by trading without stops, but in doing so, they accept exposure to theoretically unlimited risk. This catch-22 has wreaked havoc on the accounts and minds of E-mini day traders for years. Yet, there might be a better solution to trading futures contracts outright.

Perhaps day trading via the purchase of call and put options with proximal expiration dates makes more sense.

A few years ago, the idea of day trading options in the E-mini S&P was more of a pipe dream than a reality.

Traders wishing to do so were forced to trade options with monthly expirations (the third Friday of each month) or end-of-month options, which expire on the last trading day of the month.

Aside from restricting trading activity to the week prior to expiration, option day traders would have been forced to buy calls and puts with relatively substantial time to expiration. This translated into high premiums (high option prices), less responsive option prices to the underlying futures price, and thus overall higher risks and lower rewards.

However, now that the CME offers options expiring on every other day of the week (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday), option day traders can focus their speculation on hours, not days or weeks.

Further, it is possible to profit from accurate intraday speculation in the E-mini S&P in increments of a few points of futures market movement, not dozens of points. In short, options traders can now use long puts and long calls to wager on short-term day trades or swing trades. In my opinion, this is a step toward higher-probability trading.

**Carley Garner is an experienced commodity broker, market strategist, and author at *www.DeCarleyTrading.com*.**

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## Trading Enigma of the Era, Like a Train Around the Loop



*Six months ago, while dining on a cruise, a Chicago doctor asked me about bitcoin (on which I was bearish from 20,000 and still am); while a retiring stockbroker proclaiming how rich he was getting, called the U.S. to throw another 100k into an S&P Index fund, writes **Gene Inger** who recalls days broadcasting markets from Chicago.*

It was late January 2018, so I scurried back to my cabin to type an update for publication subscribers that harkens back to a warning I've only had to make a few times in my half-century of market analysis: *flash crash risk conditions* now prevail. We were in a parabolic ascent that historically cannot be sustained. Many analysts and money managers tend to soothe investors by focusing on buy-and-hold strategies afforded by passive investment approaches today that have been unraveling most of 2018.

Not to be nostalgic, nearly a half century ago I pioneered financial television in Los Angeles and got a plaque from United for flying a half-million miles, mostly for near-weekly visits to Chicago's own financial TV station WCIU-Channel 26. It was then in the Board of Trade Building. Ben Larson was host and Rick Santelli traded currencies long before CNBC. It was the last days of black & white TV; *Soul Train* followed the market show. And when I was interviewed on WLS for the *Howard Miller Show*, it was weatherman John Coleman hosting in a pinch.

In those days I spoke at seminars and extolled the virtues of tactics like trading portions of money in hot stocks while core holdings should be in conservative dividend paying stocks, against which you could write options. The CBOE was just beginning. (Terry Savage talked to me about a seat.) And I embraced option-writing.

This relates to 2018 more than many think. That era was also peppered by shakeouts and brief breaks but always came back. Sometimes the market makers may not have answered their phones, and air pockets developed. (A few OEX guys may recall those). It's not unlike the selling today if the mindless algo-driven computer-dominated trading strategy dislikes technical levels.

Few know this, but there are only a handful of software geniuses who wrote programs for this fast-paced trading; and they tend to skip around venues. Hence similarities create risks of everyone going long...or panicking...nearly at the same time, because there's often nobody thinking it's heavily robotic.

How this matters to traders and investors now and ahead will be part of discussion at TradersEXPO. This is a roller-coaster market without precedent and at a high level. Internally the market has been in distribution for months with the largest number of insiders selling partial holdings ever, essentially in the wake of their own company buybacks. (Those buybacks are a form of executive compensation.)

We're not yet among the catastrophe doom & gloom crowd, just be aware it's not bargain day, and it's been a long upside run. While a handful of momentum stocks (FAANG+) and oil provided a facade of strength, internal selling has been ongoing.

And then there's the options arena. Who in Chicago isn't aware of the short-volatility fiasco in February? That crowded trade is why I warned in January's initial move to the blow-off to stop writing options because you could get buried.

The enigma just now is greater for investors than traders. They are guided to simply rotate from sector to sector, rather than build liquidity. For traders, it's been challenging but easier, as fast-paced rinse & repeat moves have worked for the S&P and even the VIX (volatility index) as regularly as taking a train around Chicago's Loop. Until it derails.

The market structure is both this era's blessing and curse. It's evolved from the compound growth era when I first shared strategies with Chicago's TV viewers. And it's one where maintenance of low interest rates risk colliding with everything from servicing the national debt, to a gargantuan shift from one asset class to another should credit markets break.

*Financial TV pioneer **Gene Inger** publishes **IngerLetter.com**.*

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## How Advanced Price Action Patterns Are Invisible to Most Traders



*Today's discussion is focused on advanced price action patterns that are invisible to most experienced traders. I will begin by explaining the benefit of using my broad definition of gaps, writes **Al Brooks, MD**.*

This includes micro gaps, measuring gaps, breakout tests, exhaustion gaps, and body gaps.

And I'll talk about surprise bars. Whenever a bar is surprisingly big, it is telling traders that the market has suddenly decided that the price is wrong.

Big bars mean different things, depending on context. There are characteristics that distinguish an exhaustive climax from a successful breakout. Trading ranges are constantly forming tops and bottoms.

My 80% rule says that 80% of breakout attempts in a trading range will fail. Consequently, it is better to look for reversals than breakouts. When there is a clear, strong breakout above or below the range, traders will once again be willing to hold onto positions for more than a few weeks.

The second half of my 80% rule is that trends also have inertia. That means that 80% of trend reversal attempts will fail. It is therefore better to expect reversal to fail and for the trend to resume.

Trading ranges have at least two legs up and two legs down. They often have many more. Since markets have inertia, they resist change. Therefore, most breakout attempts fail and reverse, and the trading range continues to add more bars. One of my many rules is that there is no breakout until there is a breakout.

A successful breakout usually has at least two consecutive big trend bars closing beyond the range. Anything less is more likely to reverse than to grow into a trend.

***Al Brooks, MD**, is a professional trader for over 30 years, author, lecturer, principal of **Brooks Price Action, LLC**, and **Brooks Trading Course**.*

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## Classic Reading for Traders: Reminiscences of a Stock Operator



*Why do traders and investors continue to read a book published in 1923? How did Reminiscences of a Stock Operator become the most popular best-seller in the stock market, asks Alexander Elder, MD.*

Written by one of the best financial writers of that era, it is a thinly disguised biography of Jesse Livermore, the greatest stock market speculator of the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Livermore shared his experience and wisdom with the author, helping him create a great book on trading psychology.

Livermore said: "There is nothing new in Wall Street. There can't be because speculation is as old as the hills.

Whatever happens in the stock market today has happened before and will happen again."

The great new technology in Livermore's era was a price ticker. In my era it was a computer, followed by a long list of innovations, each promising a magic key to profits. We had technical indicators, Elliott Wave, portfolio insurance, neural networks, and most recently, algo trading.

Masses lost money with all of those tools. They lost because there is no magic instrument for pulling profits out of the market.

The key to success is not on your computer screen but in the narrow space between your ears.

This book traces Livermore's psychological development from a farm boy into a gambler, then into a student of the markets, and ultimately, a great success. He made and lost fortunes, and by the time this book was written, the New York City police would block side streets when Livermore was being driven from his Park Avenue apartment to a Wall Street office.

Livermore's quotes have entered Wall Street's language: "The game of speculation isn't all mathematics or set rules." And: "They say you never grow broke taking profits. No, you don't. But neither do you grow rich taking a four-point profit in a bull market." And: "There is a time to buy, a time to sell, and a time to go fishing."

This open and honest book on trading psychology was created with the help of an extremely successful trader and investor. The lessons that Livermore shares with us remain relevant today. That's why people continue to read and recommend this book to their friends—as I am recommending it to you today.

**Alexander Elder, MD, is a trader and author of The New Trading for a Living.**

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## A Guide to Stock-Picking Tactics for Beginners and Professionals



*There is no doubt the U.S. equity market has seen an amazing performance in the last decade. Most investors have a feeling eventually the era for aggressive returns will end. Does that mean to be*

*disengaged from long stock exposure? I do not believe that is prudent, especially for long-term investing defined by a three- to five-year outlook, writes John Person.*

However, if one should be in stocks, how would you decide which sectors will outperform and what percent of their investment capital should they have in the market? This is what traders should learn and what is referred to as asset allocation. Two other terms one should become familiar with alpha and beta. Both relate to this old phrase, "Money makes the world go around." Alpha is a term related to outperformance and beta refers to correlation.

Here's what you can do to improve or enhance your peak investing and equity trading performance.

As computer-generated trading systems become more sophisticated and technology advances, how does an individual investor survive or know who or what to trust? Institutions are buying biotech and the next week they are selling and rolling into retail apparel stocks. This is known as sector rotation. Yet that is what delivers alpha being able to outperform the market, and getting a superior return on investment capital with the best efficient use of capital in the shortest time. Here is my guide to stock-picking tactics for beginners and professionals.

**Seasonality:** certain times of the year due to supply and demand functions best to be invested in one sector more than another.

Studies show in late January one wants to start accumulating energy stocks and hold into mid-summer.

Generally, we see strength from late spring through mid-summer in technology, as these stocks tend to outperform other sectors. In consumer discretionary, retail apparel has a tendency to move up from late September into mid-December.

**Relative Strength** ranking or rating systems have been around a long time. This tool helps traders determine if a stock or sector is lagging or leading the benchmark index S&P 500. A basic description defines individual market's performance in terms of percent change to the broad market index. The theory is if a stock is underperforming, you want to avoid buying, and if the stock is outperforming the market, then you want to be long.

*I will be sharing how to use a specialized tool I developed called the PMC Indicator, which is available on Thinkorswim and TradeStation, at the upcoming TradersEXPO in Chicago.*

**Volume accumulation/distribution patterns.** If a stock has improved in its relative strength performance and has increasing trend in volume, this signals wide participation and the stock is being accumulated.

This is a healthy technical signal and should give the investor confidence that the stock has the power to continue advancing. The higher chart periods like a monthly and weekly outlook will give added confidence that the share price can continue higher.

**John Person is the founder of PersonsPlanet.com.**

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