



5 jurors selected on 1st day

Defense's frustration with judge's questioning could steer Van Dyke team to seek a bench trial

By MEGAN CREPEAU, STACY ST. CLAIR AND JASON MEISNER | Chicago Tribune

Lawyers for Jason Van Dyke have insisted for months that it would be impossible to find impartial Cook County jurors to try the Chicago police officer for the 2014 slaying of Laquan McDonald.

But as the first day of questioning drew to a close Monday, five jurors had already been selected and sworn in — despite the defense team's insistence that the judge was too readily accepting potential jurors who indicated a

bias.

The five jurors include a stay-at-home mother, a financial analyst, a record keeper, a Navy wife and an older man whose church has encouraged its members to speak with black people about their experiences with racial injustice.

Each acknowledged knowing something about the case, but all promised they could give the embattled officer a fair trial based

solely on the evidence heard in court.

The individual questioning began in earnest Monday at the Leighton Criminal Court Building after a pool of about 200 potential jurors completed an extensive questionnaire last week. Jury selection is slated to continue until 12 regular jurors and four alternates have been chosen.

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Jason Van Dyke, center, and his father, Owen, right, arrive at the Leighton Criminal Court Building on Monday for the start of jury selection.



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South Side fire ruled accident

Resident Jose Cruz gathers his family's belongings on Monday, the day after a fire at his family's home in the 10000 block of South Avenue L in Chicago. Cruz, his wife and their four children have been displaced. Another resident saved his 7-year-old grandson Sunday by tossing him into the arms of Chicago police officers as the fire spread.

Authorities said Sunday night that the 69-year-old grandfather had died but later said he was in "very critical condition." The property owner said the grandfather had lived in the apartment for about 34 years. The man's daughter and grandchild live with him. The fire has been ruled an accident. **Story in Chicagoland, Page 4**

Remove toxic waste or build a 'wall'?

Activists worried scenic river will be next coal ash disaster

By MICHAEL HAWTHORNE
 Chicago Tribune

Tangles of rusty wire and jumbles of softball-sized rocks litter a stretch of the only national scenic river in Illinois, remnants from the last time a power company tried to wall off giant pits of toxic coal ash dumped into the floodplain.

Over time the natural flow of the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River undercut rock-filled wire baskets stacked along its banks, exposing steady trickles of pollution that stain the river metallic hues of orange and purple.

State regulators and industry engineers are worried that the meandering, fast-moving prairie stream is eroding its banks so quickly it could unleash a torrent of coal ash and water, similar to disasters in Tennessee and North Carolina where makeshift dumps collapsed and caused millions of dollars in ecological damage.

But instead of making plans to dig out the toxic muck, like companies in other states have

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Jessica Ramey holds a sign Monday encouraging drivers to honk support for striking hotel workers.

Dirty rooms, check-in delays, managers changing the sheets

Downtown strike puts hotels in a bind

By ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ
 AND ROBERT CHANNICK
 Chicago Tribune

As a strike against 25 downtown Chicago hotels entered its fourth day on Monday, managers at some locations were scrambling to keep operations running and guests were complaining about dirty rooms and check-in delays.

Kristian Hulgard, in town from Dallas for the International Manufacturing Technology Show, said it took him eight hours to check into his room at the Palmer House Hilton. The hotel offered free drinks and food to compensate for the trouble, but once he did get in, around midnight, he discovered the room had not been cleaned.

"All in all, it's not that big a deal," Hulgard said Monday morning as he waited outside the Loop hotel to board a bus that would take him and his

colleagues to McCormick Place for the convention, which was expected to bring 114,000 people to the city this week. "But when you've paid \$300 a night, you want something like that to work, of course."

Thousands of housekeepers, doormen, cooks and other hotel employees have been on strike since early Friday morning at 25 downtown hotels as they negotiate new contracts. Their primary demand is year-round health

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Aldermen ponder life without Emanuel

High turnover possible, as all 50 seats on Feb. ballot

By JOHN BYRNE
 AND GREGORY PRATT
 Chicago Tribune

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's decision not to run for re-election next year has the dozens of aldermen and challengers fighting for seats on the City Council he has largely dominated these past seven-plus years facing a new political reality: With "Darth Vader" leaving, how will his successor hold things together?

All 50 seats are on the ballot in the February election and some old-school Emanuel loyalists on the council will face young candidates who will hit them for their fealty to the fifth floor and recent historic tax increases. So there was always likely to be a fair amount of aldermanic turnover.

Now, pro-Emanuel aldermen who have been on the fence about running need to figure out if they even want to try to come back to a body where a new mayor could look to new allies and different factions will try to assert themselves. Plus, aldermen are set to take a slew of unpopular votes in coming years.

Southwest Side Ald. George Cardenas, 12th, said veteran aldermen are weighing whether they can win and whether they want to wade into the chaos of a new council.

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Cubs' division lead over Brewers just 1

Despite Jon Lester's back tightness, Carl Edwards Jr.'s wildness and a long stretch without a day off, Cubs insist they're still focused on moving forward. "We're in a nice position to control your own destiny," President Theo Epstein said. **Chicago Sports**

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Pritzker skipping Tribune debate? Maybe a live chicken take his place.



REX W. HUPPKE

I wanted to avoid putting these words in print: J.B. Pritzker is just a very wealthy chicken who has the money to afford a strikingly realistic human disguise.

I didn't want to put those words into the public domain, because who knows how they might be used in the Illinois gubernatorial race. Candidates routinely pull quotes from newspaper columnists or editorials and use them as fodder against their opponents.

Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner's campaign might just be sneaky enough to run an ad with this line, spoken in a deep, ominous voice: "Chicago Tribune columnist Rex Huppke revealed the truth about J.B. Pritzker. He's actually a chicken who uses 'a strikingly realistic human disguise.' Can you trust an actual chicken to run the state of Illinois? That would be clucking nuts."

I didn't want to create an opportunity like that for Rauner or other candidates, but what choice did I have?

Last week, my colleagues on the Chicago Tribune Editorial Board wrote a piece under the headline: "Why is J.B. Pritzker ducking this debate?"

Turns out they've extended 11 invitations to Pritzker's campaign, asking him to join a gubernatorial debate in which editorial board members present questions, including some from Illinois voters. The whole thing would be live-streamed, and Rauner agreed to do it along with Conservative Sam McCann and Libertarian Kash Jackson.

But the board hasn't heard a chirp from Pritzker.

Per last week's editorial: "So what is Pritzker worried about? Maybe he thinks we'll ask about the Tribune's reporting on those embarrassing FBI recordings from 2008. Pritzker was hustling an appointment to statewide office from a corrupt Rod Blagojevich. As the two discussed which Democrat to stuff into which major office — no voters need participate — Pritzker evaluated black Illinois politicians from the 'least offensive' to the 'crass.' "Or maybe Pritzker is nervous about the Tribune investigation that found several offshore shell companies either wholly owned by J.B. Pritzker, his brother



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Democratic gubernatorial candidate J.B. Pritzker, left, walks with Rep. Luis Gutierrez in the 26th Street Mexican Independence Day Parade on Sunday in Little Village.

and business partner Anthony Pritzker, or that list other close associates as controlling executives.

Recall that in March, after Pritzker's campaign wouldn't respond to inquiries about his finances, the Tribune sought out Pritzker at a campaign event at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He quickly summoned a campaign press aide to run interference and declined to discuss his offshore dealings."

Gosh, I can't imagine Pritzker is dodging the Tribune debate for any of those reasons. Who among us doesn't own an offshore shell company or five?

And in this age of right-wing "enemy of the people" and "fake news" rhetoric, surely Pritzker understands that a Democrat blowing off a major news organization seems a bit incongruous.

So there must be a better explanation.

My first thought was that perhaps he's afraid of the cockroaches. This may not be common knowledge, but in our old offices in the Tribune Tower, we had something of a roach problem. (We chose to frame it more as a "wide collection of readily available roach mascots.")

But rest assured, Mr. Pritzker, we left Tribune Tower and have brand new offices. The roaches all died

after we packed them in moving boxes. (RIP, former mascots. Thank you for your service.)

Another possibility, of course, is that Pritzker, like so many before him, is intimidated by my handsomeness. That would be understandable. I'm quite sure many attractive celebrities have refused to visit the Tribune Editorial Board without a signed guarantee that I keep away from the building, lest my jaw-dropping good looks make said celebrities seem bland by comparison. (No members of the editorial board have confirmed this, but I assume it's true and they just don't want me to feel guilty. Handsomeness is a burden.)

On Friday, I tweeted a link to the editorial about Pritzker's refusal to debate, noting: "He might be intimidated by my finely sculpted man-calves. Don't worry, J.B., I'll keep them sheathed when you're in the building."

Given that promise, I have to rule my overall good looks out as a reason for Pritzker's fear of the Tribune.

So what could explain his unwillingness? The editorial board noted that "we don't recall another candidate for governor refusing to meet with opponents at the Tribune."

Weird, right? I did a quick check on

Pritzker's qualifications for being governor and found they include: he's rich; he's wealthy; and he's the opposite of poor.

The editorial board decided to interview each candidate individually, starting with Rauner on Friday.

Pritzker still has a chance to join the event. There will be a chair waiting for him. Perhaps he could send a large stack of money — kind of like the one that helped him win the nomination — to fill that chair. We journalists don't often see large stacks of money, so at least the editorial board members would have something interesting to stare at.

Another option is that we bring in a live chicken to stand on Pritzker's chair. I once brought a live chicken into the newsroom (it's a long story), so I have experience in humane chicken handling and would gladly escort J.B. Cluckster to the debate.

That seems like as good a plan as any. For the moment, it would be no different than having Pritzker himself show up.

Because until proven otherwise, our Democratic candidate is a wealthy chicken wearing a snazzy human disguise.

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In this case, most have chosen a team

Not easy to dismiss what we think we know about Laquan McDonald vs. Jason Van Dyke



DAHLEEN GLANTON

By now, we have seen the videotape. And most of us have chosen sides.

We have watched Chicago police Officer Jason Van Dyke shoot Laquan McDonald 16 times. We have decided whether what happened that night was McDonald's fault or Van Dyke's. We have already labeled it murder, or we are convinced it was self-defense.

Perhaps it is impossible to change anyone's mind at this point. But the well-being of our city depends on how willing we are to listen.

It is not easy to dismiss what we think we know. And it is much harder to question what our eyes have seen. We are not often called upon to stand in the shoes of someone who comes from a place that seems foreign to us, or to examine a shooting through an opposite lens.

We are most content staying in our own corner, with like-minded people who view the world much as we do. It is safer there. It is less demanding. It is easier to make sense of things that otherwise would be too complex.

But this time, we must try something different. We must attempt to be open-minded.

On Monday, attorneys began the daunting task of seating a jury for Van Dyke's first-degree murder trial. It likely would be impossible to select a panel in Cook County that is completely unaware of the shooting that occurred that October night in 2014 on Chicago's Southwest Side. So the goal is to find 12 people who are unlike the



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A protestor across the street from the Leighton Criminal Court Building yells into a bullhorn at Chicago police officers during jury selection on Monday.

majority of us — people who are neutral.

For justice's sake, we should hope they are able to assemble enough men and women of different racial and ethnic backgrounds who are willing to hear the facts and reach a verdict based on that alone. There already has been some success, though Van Dyke could still opt for a bench trial.

There is too much emotional baggage riding on this case to take it out of the hands of the people. Though Van Dyke has every right to be tried before a judge, a verdict by people like us quite possibly would be easier to digest by the masses, regardless of which way it goes.

This case, in so many ways, is not just about the exchange between McDonald and Van Dyke. It is about the people who live in our neighborhoods, the ones who interact with police officers most often and the ones who feel as though the law is rarely on their side and that justice too often is lopsided.

It is about the integrity of our Police Department, the officers who make quick decisions every day that often place them at the threshold of life and death. It is about the deteriorated codependency that must exist between police and the public that is essential to our survival.

In an ideal world, there would be no sides from which

to choose. There would be no mistrust of the police, and the police would not fear the people. We would understand that the anguish of one group is no less important than the anger of the other.

The pain of those who have turned Laquan McDonald into a martyr is real. For many young people, police brutality is their civil rights mantra, just as desegregation was a rallying call for their parents and grandparents.

They will accept no less than a guilty verdict, because they believe that African-Americans, men in particular, are treated unfairly by law enforcement. They are demanding respect from the police or, in

the absence of it, fairness.

For those who risk their lives to keep us safe, the Van Dyke trial is a test of values. Police officers want to know if we value the sacrifices they make for us. They want to know if we will stand by them when their backs are against the wall for a decision that, at least in the heat of the moment, seemed rational.

It is not too much for either side to ask.

Justice is a tricky word. It means different things to different people. But mostly, justice is determined by what side of the issue you stand on. The definition is shaped by our individual life experiences, our principles and our prejudices, even if they are

unconscious.

Regardless of the verdict, some will insist that our justice system failed. As some are celebrating victory, others will cry in despair.

But whenever there is a case like this one — where the police department faces off in court against the community it has pledged to serve — there is no winner. There can be no perfect resolution.

Justice, whatever form it takes in this case, will only deepen the division that brought us to this place to begin with.

We must all prepare ourselves for that.

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Preckwinkle's campaign decision to come 'shortly'

Cook County Board president would keep her position if she runs for mayor

BY BILL RUTHHART
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Chicago Tribune

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle will decide soon whether to embark on a run for Chicago mayor, setting aside previous plans to create an exploratory committee for a potential bid.

Scott Kastrup, Preckwinkle's political director on her potential run for mayor, issued a statement Monday saying she would make a decision "shortly."

"Chicagoans know that no one has worked more effectively than Toni Preckwinkle to strengthen access to affordable healthcare, confront gun violence as a public health crisis and reform our criminal justice system," Kastrup said. "She's been a public servant in this city for over 25 years. She has a unique understanding of the importance, responsibilities and hard work of the mayor's office. She is giving serious consideration to running for mayor and will be making an announcement regarding her decision shortly."

The Hyde Park Democrat is evaluating a run for

mayor while she is on the ballot for a third term as the county's chief executive. Preckwinkle, 71, defeated former Ald. Bob Fioretti in the March primary and is unopposed in the November general election.

Preckwinkle, who also is the Cook County Democratic Party chairwoman, plans to keep her position as Cook County Board president if she were to pursue a run for mayor, the Chicago Tribune previously reported.

Last week, Preckwinkle spent several days calling community leaders, union bosses and potential campaign donors, asking some of them to join or support an exploratory committee. That effort would have included launching a political fund, which would allow Preckwinkle to collect unlimited amounts of money toward a mayoral bid. Unlike in her County Board race, the state campaign contribution limits in the mayor's race were lifted earlier this year after millionaire businessman Willie Wilson decided to self-fund his campaign.

Preckwinkle, however, did not announce the formation of the exploratory



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Toni Preckwinkle had said she would form an exploratory committee to help her decide whether to run for mayor.

committee as expected, scrapping that move instead for Kastrup's statement that she would make a decision soon. The change of plans signals a possibility that Preckwinkle will jump into the mayor's race before she formally is re-elected to the County Board in November. Simply setting up an exploratory committee could have allowed her to delay the formal announcement while still fundraising toward a mayoral bid.

Getting into the race sooner rather than later would give Preckwinkle a head start against other potential rivals weighing

whether to get in the race, including state Comptroller Susana Mendoza, who also is on the ballot this fall for that statewide office. Mendoza has said she is focused on that race but has not ruled out a run for mayor.

Preckwinkle and Mendoza both have aggressively called labor leaders and wealthy donors seeking backing for a mayoral bid, the Tribune has reported. For now, most of the labor unions have decided to stay on the sidelines as the field shakes out.

A former aide to Preckwinkle also inched toward a possible run Monday.

City Treasurer Kurt Summers announced he's launching a website to "genuinely seek people's opinions and aspirations for our city."

"The future of this city should be determined by the many, not the few," Summers said in a statement about the site, ourchicago.net. "The future should be determined by the people, not just the powerful."

The site, paid for by Summers' political campaign fund, prompts visitors to write what they think Chicago's biggest strengths and challenges are, and the "qualities I want to see in the next mayor."

But Summers, 38, has not officially jumped into the crowded field to succeed Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who announced last week he would not seek a third term.

Summers was Preckwinkle's chief of staff before leaving in 2012 to take a job as an executive at investment firm GCM Grosvenor, which is run by Emanuel confidant Michael Sacks. Emanuel appointed Summers treasurer in October 2014, and Summers won the election for the seat a few months later.

Since then, Summers flirted with a campaign for governor. He alerted supporters to a possible run in

March 2017 and held a fundraiser tied to that possibility but decided shortly thereafter not to get in the race.

Meanwhile, Cook County Clerk David Orr said Monday he's decided not to run for mayor, saying he's "looking forward to retirement from elected office" when his seventh term is complete at the end of the year. Orr, 74, said last week he was mulling an entry into the already crowded field.

The main candidates who have declared they are running for mayor so far include former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas, former Police Board President Lori Lightfoot, Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown, millionaire businessman Willie Wilson, Chicago principals association President Troy LaRaviere, activist Ja'Mal Green, tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin, Southwest Side attorney Jerry Joyce, policy consultant Amara Enyia, attorney John Kozlar and DePaul student Matthew Roney.

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Kayaker's body found near Fort Sheridan

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Chicago Tribune

The remains have been found of a young man who went missing after his kayak overturned in poor conditions on Lake Michigan two weeks ago.

The body of Sebastian Duncan, 20, was recovered Saturday near Fort Sheridan, officials confirmed, not far from the Highland Park beach where the Glenview man and a friend launched their kayaks Aug. 27.

The friend was able to get to shore after the kayaks overturned and credited Duncan with helping him stay afloat before Duncan disappeared into the water, his father, Tony Duncan, told the Tribune.

He said the family was notified Saturday about the discovery of a body and then told Sunday that dental records confirmed it was his son.

"For me, for the last two weeks I've dealt with my son being gone and never coming back. But there was a small hope and because that was available, I didn't want to diminish it," Duncan said. "... It was so very hard because, for 20 years, I had the most enjoyable relationship with (him)."

"The kid was so full of love and easygoing and cared so much about others," Duncan said. "He was the emotional-gel kid in our family."

Sebastian Duncan was a 2016 graduate of New Trier High School, had attended Northeastern University and worked at his parents' personal training business in Wilmette, his family said.

Tony Duncan said he can't adequately thank all those who helped search for his son, both professionals and volunteers, and those who reached out in support. "The amount of people I met — the amount of tears I saw — was so meaningful at a time when the world felt so cold and dark," he said.

A city of Highland Park release said Sebastian Duncan's body was found Saturday morning by a passerby along the city's Openlands Lakeshore Preserve.

An autopsy was planned for Monday, Lake County Coroner Howard Cooper said.

Susan Berger is a freelance reporter.



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Property owner Martin Rosas, 61, center, looks at damage as residents gather their belongings after a fire at 10000 block of South Avenue L on Monday.

Fire started by 'human hands'

Southeast Side blaze ruled accidental; man who saved 7-year-old grandson still in critical condition

BY WILLIAM LEE AND
ELVIA MALAGON
Chicago Tribune

Investigators have determined a person accidentally started a fire that critically injured a man who tossed his 7-year-old grandson into the arms of Chicago police officers as flames tore through their Southeast Side home, officials said.

Authorities said Sunday evening that the man had died but later said he was in "very critical condition." The fire that critically injured the 69-year-old man was ruled accidental and was started by "human hands," said Larry Langford, a spokesman for the Fire Department.

Thick smoke filled the second floor of a coach home in the 10000 block of South Avenue L around 3:45 p.m. as the 69-year-old man removed a window in the back and dropped the boy to two police officers, according to Cmdr. Frank Velez, a spokesman for the Fire Department. The officers caught the boy and rushed him to a waiting ambulance that took him to

Comer Children's Hospital, where he was stabilized and being treated for smoke inhalation.

Firefighters later found the grandfather and took him to the University of Chicago Medical Center, where family said he was in very critical condition, according to police.

A firefighter was treated for exhaustion, but Velez said she was expected to recover. About nine residents, including a family with four children on the first floor, were displaced.

Langford said investigators didn't find working smoke detectors in the coach home. But the property's owner, Martin Rosas, said he installed working smoke detectors twice a year and had last done so in June. The property had last been cited by the city in 2011 for several violations including not having working smoke detectors, according to city records. In 2013, Rosas was found in compliance after the property passed an inspection, said Gregg Cunningham, spokesman for the city's Department of Buildings. That was the last time the

city had been involved with the property.

Rosas, 61, of Pilsen, has owned the building since the early 1990s and said the grandfather had lived in the three-bedroom apartment for about 34 years. The man's adult daughter and grandchild live with him, Rosas said.

"We had a very close relationship as well as with the people on the first floor because they have been here for so long," Rosas said. "We have a very courteous relationship and a very friendly relationship. We never had any issues. Occasionally there were certain problems with the unit because as I said the child was very restless."

One time there were issues with the pipes after sand from the beach was put down the drain, Rosas said. The grandfather was watching his grandson when the fire broke out, Rosas said. The boy's mother was at work, and it was typical for the grandfather to take care of the boy.

Rosas wasn't at the scene Sunday when the fire broke out, but he rushed over

after getting a text message and a call from another tenant. He was told the fire started in an enclosed porch on the second floor, and much of the damage took place in the part of the coach house that faces a small backyard.

"The fire spread so quickly that when the grandfather, who was inside the unit, came out, he probably realized the extent of the fire," Rosas said. "And then he grabbed his grandchild. At that moment, the police was already on the ground level. So through one of those windows, he tossed the boy to the police and they were able to catch him before he reached the ground."

On Monday morning, Rosas returned to the property and was waiting to hear from city inspectors about what he needs to do to begin repairing the structure. Tania Martinez, 32, and her husband, Jose Cruz, 40, returned to their apartment in the first floor of the coach home to sort through any salvageable belongings. The couple and their relatives took turns hauling bags of clothing, a television and a guitar through the charred building.

The couple has lived in the apartment for 12 years

and frequently saw their neighbors, though they didn't know the family well, Martinez said.

Martinez said the family was spending its Sunday afternoon at Wolf Lake in Hammond after running errands. Then, her 15-year-old daughter got a call from a friend telling her their apartment was on fire. Martinez said she was holding out hope that the friend might have gotten their home mixed up with another one, but then Rosas called the couple to tell them about the fire.

"We started all crying and hoping for the best," Martinez said.

The family's dog, a mix of Shih Tzu and poodle named Maica, died in the fire, Martinez said. Two birds her husband recently had given her as a birthday gift also died. The family's ferret was rescued by firefighters. But for Martinez, the most important thing is that the rest of her family — her four children ranging in ages from 4 to 15 years old — was safe.

"If we are just running errands, it's usually just my husband and I and maybe we'll take one of the kids," Martinez said. "So I was just so thankful that they were all with us."

Hotels scramble as strike continues

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insurance for colleagues who get laid off during the slow winter season.

Their union, UNITE HERE Local 1, called the strike a week after contracts at 30 hotels expired Aug. 31, though it had been warning of a strike for weeks beforehand. The union negotiates contracts with each employer separately. About 6,000 workers are covered by the expired contracts. It isn't clear how many workers have walked off the job, but guests say they are feeling their absence.

At the Palmer House, guests had to help themselves to clean towels on carts in the hallways, and everything took longer, such as the breakfast line, Hulgard said. Another conventioner waiting for the bus said there were people serving breakfast who clearly had never worked as servers before.

The Hilton did not respond to a request for comment Monday by deadline. On Friday, the hotel chain said the strike would have "minimal impact" on operations.

In addition to the Palmer House, which has more than 1,600 guest rooms, the Hilton hotels where workers are striking include the DoubleTree Magnificent Mile, Hilton Chicago and the Drake hotel. "We are negotiating with the union in good faith and are confident that we will reach an agreement that is fair to our valued team members and to our hotels," Paul Ades, senior vice president for labor relations at Hilton, said in an emailed statement last week.

The 25 hotels where workers are striking are listed at chicagohotelstrike.org. They include the Hyatt Regency, JW Marriott and Kimpton and Westin brands. The union said workers will be walking picket lines around-the-clock at all the affected hotels until their demand for year-round health insurance is met.

At the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza in the River North neighborhood, management has been pitching in on everything from room cleaning to bellhop services, minimizing

disruption to guests, according to Dale McFarland, the hotel's general manager. McFarland himself spent Sunday changing sheets, taking out trash and making sure rooms were fully stocked with soap, shampoo and glasses.

"We had some temp help come in and our managers have pitched in and we just had to roll up our sleeves and do what we had to do to get the job done," McFarland said Monday.

He said the strike has forced the hotel to "tweak" some amenities, such as curtailing hours at its grab-and-go market and going with buffet-only service at the main restaurant. But McFarland said the hotel has been fully operational for the most part, and that guests have been checking in and getting their rooms with minimal disruption.

"We've been pretty much upfront with our guests and talking to groups and alerting them to what's taking place — that there may be a little delay with some of the services," McFarland said. "We're holding up fine. We've haven't had to turn rooms away."

Some striking workers have begun to filter back to their jobs, as "a lot of people need to work and provide for their families," McFarland said. Just as doing their work made him appreciate the importance of his staffers, for them to see managers emptying garbage and changing linens has built camaraderie, he said.

McFarland said he supports his employees' decision to strike but hopes for a quick resolution.

"We want our people back," McFarland said. "They're a big part of what we do, they mean a lot to us and that's what we're working towards."

Brian Edwards, 54, a former Chicagoan who now lives in Grand Rapids, Mich., and friends had planned to stay at the Palmer House on Saturday.

The two couples had prepaid for rooms at the Palmer House in Chicago on Saturday night, but when they arrived at about 7 p.m., they were surprised to find a couple of dozen strikers "marching and banging drums," and no



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Hotel workers on strike picket outside the Kimpton Hotel Allegro on Monday in Chicago's Loop.

room at the inn.

The strikers "politely" parted to let the couples make their way inside, Edwards said, but the reception at the front desk was less accommodating, with no clean rooms available because of the strike. He said the clerk offered to text them when the rooms were ready, but couldn't promise a time.

"She said it could be midnight, it could be not at all," Edwards said. "We just decided to pack it up and drive back to Grand Rapids."

The couples took a refund on the rooms and canceled their dinner reservations at RPM Steak, dining instead at a barbecue restaurant along the way in Porter, Ind. They arrived home at about 1:15 a.m., Edwards said.

Several major hotel groups, including Hyatt and Marriott, expressed disappointment that the union called a strike so early in negotiations.

"Hyatt and Local 1 are not at an impasse on any issue, and further negotiation sessions are set for this week," Michael D'Angelo, Hyatt's vice president of labor relations for the Americas, said in a statement. "In fact, Hyatt has not received the union's complete proposals."

Wages and benefits will remain unchanged until a new agreement is reached, he added.

Hyatt's affected hotels include the Hyatt Regency Chicago, Hyatt Regency McCormick Place and Park Hyatt, which together have 1,500 employees covered by the expired collective bargaining contract.

"Many colleagues are

working, and Hyatt hotels continue their operations and commitment to outstanding guest experiences," D'Angelo said.

Larry Lewis, 39, who has worked as a houseman at the Palmer House for 18 years, said he has been picketing every day since the strike began to demand year-round health insurance. When the hotels get slow, typically from October through March, many employees get laid off and lose their health insurance until they return to work when the weather warms.

"If you're a diabetic, how are you supposed to get your medicine?" he said.

Lewis said he is prepared to strike for as long as it takes. "If I had to be out here 20 years until they get it right, I don't care," said Lewis, a strike captain. "If you look around and you see these people with me, it's nonstop. They're going to have get it right or we'll be out here."

Several dozen of his colleagues paced in front of the Palmer House on Monday morning chanting "No contract, no peace!" and banged on plastic buckets with drumsticks. Amid the commotion, guests went in and out of the hotel, many of them conventioners headed to McCormick Place.

Hulgard, despite his subpar experience at the hotel so far, pumped his fist in the air in solidarity as he passed the picketing workers.

"Everybody should get the best treatment as possible," he said. "If these guys want a contract, I wish them good luck to get it."

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Five things to know

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A strike currently affecting 25 downtown Chicago hotels is the first broad hotel strike the city has seen, according to the union that called for it.

It started Friday and, the union says, will go on until the hotels agree to its demands. Here are five things to know.

Who is striking?

Hotel workers — housekeepers, doormen, cooks, bartenders, room service attendants and more — whose contracts expired Aug. 31 are on strike. The union that represents the workers, UNITE HERE Local 1, says that 6,000 workers are covered by those expired contracts, though it isn't clear how many people have actually walked off the job.

Which are affected?

The union has called the strike at 25 downtown Chicago hotels, including the JW Marriott, the Palmer House Hilton, the Hyatt Regency and the Sheraton Grand. But the expired contracts cover 30 hotels, and the five not yet striking are in labor disputes and could join, the union says. A list of affected hotels is at chicagohotelstrike.org.

Why are they striking?

The primary demand of the striking workers is to include a guarantee of year-round health insurance in their new contracts. Currently, many hotel employees lose their health insurance when hotels temporarily lay people off during the slow season, generally October through March, and have coverage reinstated when they are brought back to work when the weather warms. Though workers with seniority are employed year-round and get insurance year-round, the union wants all employees, regardless of tenure, to have uninterrupted health insurance, even during the slow months when they are not working at the hotels.

Does this get resolved?

The union negotiates contracts with each employer separately. So theoretically, if an agreement is reached with one of the hotels the workers from that hotel could cease to strike. But labor expert Bob Bruno said that the most efficient and effective strategy is to get one of the larger

employers to establish a baseline agreement on the issue that other hotels in the city will follow.

"The incentive (for the union) is to create a standard for the industry," said Bruno, labor professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. "And the employers gain some value on that too because they know they're not competing on the basis of cost."

Three major hotel groups comprise the bulk of the hotels where workers are striking. Hilton Hotels and Resorts manages the Palmer House, the DoubleTree Magnificent Mile, Hilton Chicago and the Drake hotel. Hyatt Hotels manages the Hyatt Regency Chicago, Hyatt Recency McCormick and the Park Hyatt. Marriott International's portfolio includes the Westin River North, Westin Michigan Avenue, W Chicago Lakeshore, W Chicago City Center, JW Marriott and the Sheraton Grand.

What is the response?

Hotels have been assuring guests that they are open for business. But some guests have reported eight-hour waits to check in, long lines at breakfast and having to replenish towels themselves because there are not enough people to clean rooms.

Hotels have expressed frustration that the strike came so early in contract negotiations. Marriott, for example, said the union is still in the process of making its initial bargaining proposal. "There is nothing about the current state of the negotiations or the long-standing and productive bargaining relationship between Marriott International and UNITE HERE that suggests that a strike is warranted or necessary," Marriott said in a statement. "The parties are not at an impasse on any issue."

Marriott, Hyatt and Hilton have all said they continue to bargain in good faith.

Power company wants to wall off toxic waste

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been forced to do, the latest owner of the Middle Fork ash pits wants to build an even bigger wall of rocks to armor a portion of riverbank more than six football fields long.

The proposal from Texas-based Vistra Energy would require the administrations of President Donald Trump and Gov. Bruce Rauner to exempt the company from several environmental regulations, including provisions of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, a 1968 law that calls for biologically and culturally significant streams to be "free of impoundments, with shorelines or watersheds still largely primitive."

While environmental groups agree that steps need to be taken to prevent the Middle Fork's banks from collapsing, they contend the company's proposed solution is too extreme and temporary at best. Emboldened by a string of legal victories involving coal ash dumps in other states, river advocates are urging a federal court to step in and order Vistra to move its waste away from the Middle Fork.

"This is a wild and scenic river that is going to naturally change its course and can't be stopped," said Andrew Rehn, water resources engineer for the nonprofit Prairie Rivers Network, the chief plaintiff in a federal lawsuit against Vistra.

Located a few miles downstream from a popular kayak and canoe launch, Vistra's three coal ash pits were dug into the floodplain by Illinois Power, which built a coal-fired power plant next to the river in 1955 and sold it in 2000 to

Dynegy, another Texas-based company.

By the time Dynegy shuttered the Vermilion Power Station in 2011, the pits swelled with enough water-soaked coal ash to fill the Empire State Building nearly 2½ times.

Dynegy knew more than a decade ago that heavy metals found in coal ash were polluting the river, according to internal company documents. So did the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, but the state did little in response other than file a 2012 complaint that remains unresolved.

After a Tribune reporter and photographer paddled the river in May with Rehn and two other river advocates, the state EPA dispatched investigators to take another look. The agency later filed a new complaint against Vistra, which completed a \$1.7 billion takeover of Dynegy in April.

A Vistra spokeswoman declined to answer when asked whether the company has considered resolving the case by moving its coal ash to a licensed landfill.

"Vistra knows firsthand the special meaning and natural beauty the state has to offer, as well as the deserving pride that its residents have in it," the company said in a statement that highlighted CEO Curtis Morgan's ties to Illinois. "Rest assured: While Vistra inherited this site, as the new owner Vistra is committed to implementing an effective solution."

The company must win approval from several state and federal agencies to line the Middle Fork with a new barrier, which at some points would extend into the river itself.

Sarah Keller, a regulatory



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Andrew Rehn of Prairie Rivers Network looks at coal ash seepage on a bank of the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River.

specialist with the Army Corps of Engineers, said the federal agency considers Vistra's proposal "environmentally beneficial" and is prepared to waive several restrictions on the amount of rocks and boulders the company can use to shore up the riverbank.

Before the Corps of Engineers can award the company a Clean Water Act permit, though, the Illinois EPA, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the National Park Service need to sign off on the project.

Career staff at the park service already are on record saying that armoring the riverbank isn't the solution.

"The river would benefit greatly from the removal of the ash ponds, the associated embankments ... and all non-operational infrastructure that remains within the river corridor, and again urge you to address these issues," the agency's regional director wrote to the Corps of Engineers in 2016 while begrudgingly approving the emergency stabilization of another fast-eroding stretch of the Middle Fork.

State officials have said it could take at least another year to review Vistra's proposed fix. But river advocates are urging Rauner and J.B. Pritzker, his Democratic opponent in the November gubernatorial election, to promise they will take more aggressive steps to protect the river.

"We have reached out to both campaigns requesting a meeting," said Lan Richart, a former Illinois Natural History Survey ecologist who along with his wife, Pam, formed another group pushing Vistra to excavate the waste. "We totally support immediate action to shore up vulnerable areas but find the (current) proposal to be of a destructive scale and likely intended to be used as leverage to leave the coal ash in place."

Neither Rauner, who won Vermilion County with nearly 70 percent of the vote in 2014, nor Pritzker have taken a stand on the issue. A Rauner campaign spokesman referred questions to the governor's office, which said the state won't be able to make a decision until it has ana-

lyzed studies submitted by Vistra; the Pritzker campaign did not return an email request for comment.

The Middle Fork ash pits are among two dozen sites in Illinois where energy companies have dumped coal ash for decades. Ten of the other sites pose a danger to the drinking water supplies of nearby communities, according to the Illinois EPA, but a state rule-making panel dominated by Rauner appointees has repeatedly delayed action on more stringent safety regulations.

Federal officials also have been slow to act.

Last month, a key federal appeals court handed down a scathing ruling that regulations adopted during the Obama administration weren't tough enough and did nothing to prevent leaks at scores of older ash pits like the ones next to the Middle Fork.

Though the court ordered the federal EPA to try again to address the hazards, the Trump administration is pushing to replace the Obama-era regulations with an even weaker set of rules.

"We don't have faith that the Trump administration

will act in a way that protects our rivers," said Thomas Cmar, an attorney with the nonprofit group Earthjustice who argued the federal appellate case for environmental advocates and filed the separate lawsuit to protect the Middle Fork.

Legal pressure has worked in other states.

After a massive 2008 coal ash spill in Kingston, Tenn., another nonprofit group, the Southern Environmental Law Center, began suing the region's utilities to force them to remove toxic waste from ecologically sensitive areas. Several have either been forced to begin cleaning up the waste or, in the case of all three South Carolina utilities, volunteered to do so.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist, or a Yale-educated lawyer, to see these sites violate the Clean Water Act," said Frank Holleman, the lead lawyer in many of the cases filed in Southern states. "If ol' South Carolina can clean up this mess, surely the good state of Illinois can do it, too."

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5 jurors selected in Van Dyke trial

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Out of the 19 people interviewed Monday, 10 were removed for cause, including several who said they could not be fair to Van Dyke.

Van Dyke's defense team is taking a risk by electing to have a jury decide the officer's fate, rather than follow the pattern of most officers indicted in Cook County who had the judge hear the case.

As tensions between Judge Vincent Gaughan and the defense team mounted Monday, Van Dyke's lead attorney, Daniel Herbert, hinted that their frustration over the way the judge was handling the questioning of the jury pool could prompt them to seek a bench trial after all.

Under Illinois law, Van Dyke can unilaterally switch to a bench trial at any point before the 12th juror is sworn in. But once the jury has been impaneled, the defense would need Gaughan's approval to make the change. But that seems unlikely after the months of work toward a jury trial by the judge and others.

In their testiest exchange of the day, Herbert accused the judge of "rehabilitating" jurors too easily — meaning Gaughan accepted their promises to be fair after they already indicated they may have a bias.

"If we are going to continually allow people to be rehabilitated, then we are going to have a discussion about whether or not it's even prudent to go forward with this," Herbert said.

The judge, who had sparred with the defense repeatedly during the day and accused Van Dyke's team of having "starting line jitters" at one point, reacted angrily to the thinly veiled suggestion.

"You're not threatening me," said Gaughan, ordering Herbert to make his decision on switching to a bench trial by Tuesday. The trial will not be in session Tuesday, however.



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Protesters chant outside the Leighton Criminal Court Building on Monday.

By Monday's end, the jury deciding the racially charged case — Van Dyke is white and McDonald was black — had three white members, one Asian-American man and one Hispanic woman.

Prosecutors used just one of their seven "peremptory" challenges to remove potential jurors without needing to give a reason, booting a man who keeps a "thin blue line" bumper sticker on his car to show support for police. He hesitated at length when asked if he could be fair to both sides, ultimately answering that he would do his best.

By contrast, Van Dyke's attorneys have already used three of their strikes, two of them on African-Americans. They also rejected a Latina woman whose boyfriend, they believed, had a criminal record.

An African-American woman excused by the defense had said she learned while filling out her questionnaire last week that her son had apparently just been shot himself. She said she could be fair to Van Dyke, noting that she believed there are three sides to every story.

Initially, the defense had

tried to get her removed for cause, saying she lived on the West Side where the 17-year-old McDonald used to live and has children about McDonald's age. But Gaughan, who praised the woman's answers, rejected the request.

Van Dyke's trial team used its third strike on a black man late Monday who said "only God and Christ should judge" and that it was hard to imagine why someone would shoot the way Van Dyke did.

The officer's lawyers have previously signaled their concerns about black jurors from Cook County. Based on an internal poll, the defense contended that 98.5 percent of local African-Americans who have seen a video showing Van Dyke shoot the teen 16 times don't believe the officer was in danger at the time — an opinion that strikes at the heart of Van Dyke's self-defense argument.

Legal precedent holds that attorneys cannot strike jurors because of their race, so they often offer other reasons for the dismissal.

The selection of five jurors on the first day suggests that concerns it would be

impossible to find 12 fair-minded jurors after years of extensive pretrial publicity may be overblown. Indeed, the R. Kelly child pornography case — which was presided over by the same judge and had the same selection process — seated only three jurors on its first day.

Still, Van Dyke's legal team continued its bid to move the trial outside Cook County, filing additional paperwork Monday alleging protests outside the courthouse last week created a "carnival" atmosphere, further muddying efforts to find an unbiased jury. Van Dyke's lawyers also raised concerns that jurors from Cook County would be "paralyzed by fear" and unable to acquit Van Dyke.

To be sure, the majority of prospective jurors appeared tense to be part of the high-profile case that roiled the city after the release of the graphic video of the shooting. At least two asked for water during their questioning, and the judge often had to tell them to relax, assuring them that everyone in the room — the attorneys and himself included — were nervous.

But none expressed any fears about rendering a verdict that would be fair.

The first juror selected, a stay-at-home mother of three young children, said she saw the protests outside the courthouse but didn't think much about them. She said she paid so little notice to the chants and signs that she didn't know if they were speaking out against Van Dyke or in his support.

The defense initially raised concern about the second juror selected — the record keeper — after the woman said her significant other works for the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. McDonald was in the custody of that agency as a child.

When she left the room after questioning, Herbert asked Gaughan to remove the woman for cause, saying her partner's employment would make it difficult for her to remain fair.

After Gaughan declined, Van Dyke's lawyers held a long, hushed discussion before deciding not to use one of their peremptory strikes.

One selected juror, a white man who appears to be in his 60s and told the judge he was gay, said that he read newspaper accounts of the shooting but that he had never seen the video. Though he heeded his church's call to speak with black people about the prejudice they have faced, the man said he would not hold those accounts against Van Dyke.

"This case is this case," the juror said. "I don't think it's a referendum on the state of the country or the state of my friends."

Neither side objected to his inclusion, just as they both agreed to select a young financial analyst for the panel. The man, who appeared nervous and rarely spoke above a whisper, said he believes everyone — including police officers — "must abide by the law."

The fifth juror selected Monday — a white woman

apparently in her 40s whose husband is retired from the Navy — said she knew about the case from the news but had not formed an opinion. She was not questioned about other personal details.

Unlike in most criminal trials, jury selection for this case is not being held in the courtroom. Instead, Gaughan is questioning jurors individually in a small room next to his chambers.

The room was crowded and tense, with lawyers for both sides gathered around a large conference table and the prospective juror seated at the head. Gaughan sat to the candidate's right and did most of the questioning, occasionally offering a wink or a touch on the arm to lighten the mood.

Van Dyke, by the defense team's choice, was seated at the far end of the table — still just a few feet away from each potential juror. Dressed in a dark suit and green tie, he rested his chin in his hand, took notes in a legal pad and sometimes leaned over to whisper to his attorneys during the questioning.

Gaughan asked a few of the would-be jurors to look Van Dyke in the eye and say whether they could be fair to him. Van Dyke rarely glanced back at them.

For the first time publicly, it was suggested that jurors may be sequestered during trial. The questionnaire had about 125 questions, including one asking prospective jurors how difficult it would be for them to be housed at a hotel for the duration of the trial.

Van Dyke, 40, a veteran of nearly 13 years with the Police Department at the time of the shooting, faces six counts of first-degree murder, 16 counts of aggravated battery and one count of official misconduct for the October 2014 shooting.

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Quinn's push for term limits ineligible for ballot

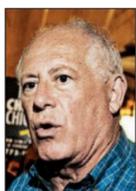
Elections hearing officer ruled there are already 3 referendum's for fall

By GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

Former Gov. Pat Quinn's push to place a binding referendum question on the November ballot seeking to put term limits on Chicago mayors is ineligible to appear because the City Council put three other referendums on the fall ballot, a Chicago Board of Elections hearing officer said Monday.

The hearing officer also ruled against Quinn's measure on the basis that he asked more than one question on his petitions. Quinn's petition included the term-limits question and also asked about an elected city "Consumer Advocate."

Quinn responded Monday that he "strongly" disagrees with the recom-



Quinn

mendation and said he's prepared to fight in court.

The referendum question at issue would ask voters whether Chicago mayors should be limited to two terms. It

appeared aimed at preventing Mayor Rahm Emanuel from seeking a third term, though Emanuel last week said he won't seek re-election. Quinn filed more than 86,000 signatures to put it on the ballot.

The objection to Quinn's petitions involves three key questions: whether he collected enough valid signatures, whether the City Council's putting three referendums on the ballot prohibits Quinn's and whether there can be two referendum questions on one petition.

It preliminarily appeared as though Quinn had enough signatures, but he hit a roadblock on the other questions Monday.

Aldermen voted this summer to put three non-binding questions before

Chicago voters in November.

Those questions ask about uses for potential legal marijuana proceeds, the possibility of creating a new homeowners property tax exemption and whether to ban plastic straws.

The Emanuel administration has said that because a state law limits the number of questions on each ballot to three, the council's batch would leave no space for Quinn's.

The former governor says his binding referendum is unaffected by the

three-question rule because it's a constitutionally protected right of voters to limit the number of terms their mayors can serve.

It's a common tactic for mayoral allies to fill the ballot with uncontroversial questions like the aldermen did. That way, they and Emanuel can't get embarrassed by the results of questions they don't want.

A final decision from the Chicago Board of Elections is still pending.

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Emanuel departure could cause council chaos

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"That's the question looming for a lot of folks: Where are we going to be with the jockeying for leadership positions, the policies in the council going forward," said Cardenas, who's running for re-election in a ward that includes McKinley Park and parts of Brighton Park, Little Village and Back of the Yards.

Ald. Walter Burnett Jr. — an Emanuel ally who chairs the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety and who's running for re-election in the 27th Ward that stretches from the Near North Side to the West Side — said he was "crushed" by Emanuel's decision not to run.

Aldermen who Emanuel tapped for committee chairmanships will worry they could lose those positions and the jobs that come with them under a new mayor, Burnett said.

"Those of us who have committees and folks working for us have to be concerned who's the next person," Burnett said. "Are they going to allow us to keep our committees? Are they gonna honor the seniority? All those kinds of things?"

And Far South Side Ald. Anthony Beale, 9th, said some aldermen may find life in the council and in

their communities tougher without Emanuel backing them in exchange for their votes. "A lot of times it's easier to ride someone's coattails," Beale said.

Retiring Ald. Ricardo Munoz, 22nd, who's considering his own mayoral run, said Emanuel's decision could hurt incumbents aligned with the mayor in the February election.

"They don't have the resources and they don't have the coattails," said Munoz, a progressive who sometimes clashes with Emanuel.

But longtime Far North Side Ald. Joe Moore, 49th, said the mayor leaving could make it easier to win for aldermen allied with him by taking "steam out of some of the insurgency campaigns."

"To the extent people are focused on the mayor and on citywide things, his removal from the scene I think saps some of the energy away from people who are really focused on attacking him and attacking those who supported his agenda," Moore said. "Darth Vader is now gone and it's a lot less easy to get exercised about someone who's leaving."

Despite his lame-duck status, Emanuel should have little trouble pushing through his 2019 budget and most other big ordinan-

ces he backs, given the council's acquiescence to nearly all his major initiatives.

But, with the mayor on his way out, Cardenas said aldermen will be flexing their independence a bit more in coming months when considering their votes as they try to look out for themselves.

"In terms of these big decisions, I think there's going to be a pause, with folks saying 'How is this going to affect my end?'" he said.

While the election year budget should be an easy one without a raft of hikes, the next four years promise to be ugly ones in the City Council chambers.

Ballooning public pension obligations are almost certain to force another round of massive tax and fee increases such as the ones Emanuel got aldermen to pass in his earlier budgets.

The main candidates who have declared they are running for mayor so far include former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas, former Police Board President Lori Lightfoot, Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown, millionaire businessman Willie Wilson, Chicago principals association President Troy

LaRaviere, activist Ja'Mal Green, tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin, Southwest Side attorney Jerry Joyce, policy consultant Amara Enyia, attorney John Kozlar and DePaul student Matthew Roney.

Since Emanuel's departure from the race last week, several high-profile politicians have weighed a bid, including Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, state Comptroller Susana Mendoza, former U.S. Commerce Secretary Bill Daley, 2011 mayoral candidate Gery Chico and U.S. Reps. Luis Guterrez and Mike Quigley.

Burnett said some aldermen had hardly evaluated the 12 announced mayoral candidates, thinking they didn't have a chance against Emanuel. While higher profile candidates are certain to get into the race, Burnett said that changed with the mayor's announcement.

"Now I think it's gonna make folks really look at them and see who can bring something to the table," Burnett said. "The city's in a challenging position with all these pension funds, the debt, who can keep the city going for the future."

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'WAKE-UP CALL'

9/11 prompted some to move away from New York to seek new, safer lives

BY JENNIFER PELTZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK — On 9/11, Stephen Feuerman saw the World Trade center aflame through the window of his Empire State Building office and watched, transfixed, as a second fireball burst from the twin towers.

He ran through the 78th floor urging everyone to get out, thinking their skyscraper could be next. With transit hubs shut down, he couldn't get home to his family in suburban Westchester for hours.

Shaken by the experience, the apparel broker, his wife and their two small children moved within four months to a gracious South Florida suburb they figured would be safer than New York.

So it was until this past Valentine's Day, when mass violence tore into Parkland, Fla., too.

"There really is no safe place," says Feuerman, whose children survived but lost friends in the massacre that killed 17 people at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.

He still feels the family made a good move after 9/11, and he feels all the more attached to Parkland since the shooting plunged him into a whirlwind of events and advocacy on school safety and other issues.

"We've had a good life here," he says. "And again, this could have happened anywhere."

The Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks prompted the Feuermans and an uncount-



Michael and Margery Koveleski, with their daughter Lillian at their store Design Sleep in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

ed number of others to move quietly away from their lives near the hijacked-plane strikes that killed nearly 3,000 people in New York, the Pentagon and a Pennsylvania field.

For the attacks' 17th anniversary, The Associated Press caught up with some who left and asked: Have they found what they were looking for?

"It really made us have a wake-up call": About 30 weeks a year, Scott Dacey drives from his home near New Bern, N.C., to Washington for a few days. The

350-mile trips are a price the federal lobbyist pays for peace of mind after Sept. 11.

He and his wife, Jennifer, once expected to stay in the Washington area for years. Then came the strike on the Pentagon and the new feeling of living under heavy security in Northern Virginia.

"It really made us have a wake-up call: 'How do we want to live our lives?'" Scott says. "Do we want to be up here in this rat race of Washington, D.C.?"

The move also opened new opportunities. Scott is a county commissioner and

ran for Congress; a Republican, he never considered seeking office when they lived in Democratic-leaning northern Virginia. And their children, 17 and 15, grew up in a town ranked among the state's safest.

"You're only going to change your life when things are bad": There had to be a better way to live, Michael and Margery Koveleski thought.

A furniture designer, Michael sensed emotional burnout surrounding him as he worked in lower Manhattan after 9/11. Secu-

rity measures lengthened his commute from Queens, devouring his time with the children. And two months after the terror attacks, American Airlines Flight 587 crashed near the Koveleskis' home, killing 265 people.

The next spring they moved to Springfield, Ohio, where they had church friends.

If a better way, it wasn't always smooth. It was initially a challenge for the Koveleskis' children to be the new, mixed-race kids — Michael is white, while Margery has Haitian herit-

age — in an area less diverse than Queens. And Michael struggled to find work.

He found it by founding his own business, Design Sleep, which sells natural latex mattresses and platform beds. It's now in its 14th year.

"You're only going to change your life when things are bad — or terrible," Michael says. "I am thrilled at the way it came out."

"Freedom, my country, my home": Georgios Takos rides through northern Wyoming in the Greek Station, his food truck, with a souvenir New York license plate on the wall.

It's a reminder of the place he once thought would bring his American dream to life.

Growing up in Greece's northern Kastoria region, Takos longed to live in the America he saw in movies. He was elated to get to New York City in 1986.

There were tears in his eyes as he left 15 years later, days after 9/11 shattered his sense of safety and the city. He headed for restaurant work in Arizona, then California, where he met his wife, Karine, a teacher.

On a visit to her home state of Montana, he found the wide-open America he'd imagined. The couple moved to nearby Powell, Wyo.

Takos still appreciates what New York taught him about working hard.

But by leaving it, "I now have found what I was looking for," he says. "Freedom, my country, my home!"

U.S. orders closure of Palestinian office

Trump officials threatens sanctions against ICC

BY MATTHEW LEE
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration ordered the closure of the Palestinian diplomatic mission in Washington on Monday and threatened sanctions against the International Criminal Court if it pursues investigations against the U.S., Israel, or other allies. The moves are likely to harden Palestinian resistance to the U.S. role as a peace broker.

The administration cited the refusal of Palestinian leaders to enter into peace talks with Israel as the reason for closing the Palestinian Liberation Organization office, although the U.S. has yet to present its plan to resolve the Israel-Palestinian conflict. The Palestinians accused the administration of dismantling decades of U.S. engagement with them.

Shortly after the State Department announcement, President Donald

Trump's national security adviser, John Bolton, launched a broadside against the Netherlands-based International Criminal Court. Bolton declared that the ICC "is already dead" to the U.S. He also threatened the court and its staff with sanctions if it proceeds with investigations into alleged war crimes by American troops in Afghanistan.

The closure of the PLO office — the latest in a series of moves targeting the Palestinians — was centered on the fact that no "direct and meaningful negotiations with Israel" are underway despite previous warnings, the State Department said. It said the decision was also in line with U.S. law, a reflection of congressional concerns and consistent with U.S. policy to oppose and punish Palestinian attempts to bring Israel before the ICC.

The administration had told the Palestinians last year that closure was a distinct possibility unless they agreed to sit to down with the Israelis. It has yet to release its own much-vaunted but largely unknown peace plan although

it said it still intends to do so.

Instead of heeding the warning to resume talks, "PLO leadership has condemned a U.S. peace plan they have not yet seen and refused to engage with the U.S. government with respect to peace efforts and otherwise," State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert said in a statement. "As such, and reflecting congressional concerns, the administration has decided that the PLO office in Washington will close at this point."

Palestinian official Saeb Erekat said the move was "yet another affirmation of the Trump administration's policy to collectively punish the Palestinian people, including by cutting financial support for humanitarian services including health and education."

The Palestine Liberation Organization, formally represents all Palestinians. Although the U.S. does not recognize Palestinian statehood, the PLO has maintained in Washington a general delegation office that facilitates Palestinian officials' interactions with the U.S. government.

The closure was just the



ANDREW HARNIK/AP

National security adviser John Bolton launched an attack against the ICC on Monday.

latest move the administration has taken against the Palestinians and in favor of Israel.

Just last month, it canceled more than \$200 million in aid for projects in the West Bank and Gaza as well as the remainder of its planned assistance for the U.N. agency that helps Palestinian refugees around the Middle East. Over the weekend, it announced it would cut \$25 million in assistance for hospitals in east Jerusalem that provide critical care to Palestinian patients.

Trump recognized Jerusalem as Israel's capital and moved the U.S. Embassy there, from Tel Aviv,

in May. That led Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas to break off contact with U.S. officials for what he called pro-Israel bias, and the opening of the new embassy was met with large Palestinian protests in which dozens were killed.

As for the ICC, Bolton questioned the legitimacy of the court and warned that the U.S. would thwart any attempt by its prosecutors to open investigations into Americans for alleged war crimes and other abuses in conflicts in Afghanistan or elsewhere. Bolton, a leading critic of the ICC said the Trump administration would impose sanctions on the court

and take other measures to hamper its ability to function should it proceed with such probes.

Bolton said the U.S. would "not sit quietly" if the ICC came after it, Israel or other U.S. allies. He said ICC judges and prosecutors would be banned from coming to the U.S., their assets in U.S. jurisdictions would be frozen and they would face prosecution. Similar measures would be taken against any company or state that assists an ICC investigation of Americans, he said.

"No committee of foreign nations will tell us how to govern ourselves and defend our freedom," he said.



GRACE BEAHM ALFORD/AP

Residents load sandbags into cars in preparation for Hurricane Florence, in Charleston, S.C., on Monday.

Category 4 Florence targets Carolinas

BY JONATHAN DREW
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Florence exploded into a potentially catastrophic Category 4 hurricane Monday as it closed in on North and South Carolina, carrying winds up to 140 mph and water that could wreak havoc over a wide stretch of the Eastern United States later this week.

The National Hurricane Center said the storm is expected to continue to intensify and will be close to

Category 5 strength by Tuesday. A Category 5 storm has the potential to cause catastrophic damage.

South Carolina's governor, Henry McMaster, ordered the state's entire coastline to be evacuated starting at noon Tuesday. North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper is urging residents to evacuate the state's coastal areas, and Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam announced at a news conference Monday that the evacuation order set to begin Tuesday at 8 a.m. applies to

parts of the Hampton Roads area and Eastern Shore.

The storm's first effects were already being seen on South Carolina's barrier islands as rip currents hit beaches and seawater flowed over a state highway.

For many people, the challenge could be finding a safe refuge: If Florence slows just off the coast, it could bring torrential rains to the Appalachian mountains and as far away as West Virginia, causing flash floods, mudslides and other dangerous conditions.

The storm's potential path also includes half a dozen nuclear power plants, pits holding coal-ash and other industrial waste, and eastern hog farms that store animal waste in massive open-air lagoons.

National Hurricane Center Director Ken Graham warned that Florence was forecast to linger over the Carolinas once it reaches shore. People living well inland should prepare to lose power and endure flooding and other hazards, he warned.

Jury to hear case of officer who killed neighbor

BY RYAN TARINELLI
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Associated Press

DALLAS — The case against a white Dallas police officer who shot and killed a black neighbor in the neighbor's home will be presented to a grand jury, which could decide on more serious charges than manslaughter, the district attorney overseeing the case said Monday.

Lawyers for the victim's family questioned why it took three days for officer Amber Guyger to be charged and why she was so quick to use deadly force in her encounter with 26-year-old Botham Jean, who lived in the apartment directly above hers. She told authorities she mistook the neighbor's unit for her own.

The officer was arrested Sunday night and booked into jail in neighboring Kaufman County before being released on bond.

When asked why Guyger was allowed to surrender somewhere other than Dallas County's jail, Dallas County District Attorney Faith Johnson said the decision was made by the Texas Rangers, who are also investigating.

Guyger had just ended a 15-hour shift Thursday when she returned in uniform to the South Side Flats apartment complex. She parked on the fourth floor,



TOM FOX/AP

The family of shooting victim Botham Jean attend a news conference outside the Frank Crowley Courts Building in Dallas.

instead of the third, where she lived, according to an affidavit filed for the officer's arrest warrant.

When she put her key in the apartment door that was unlocked and slightly ajar, it opened. Inside, the lights were off. Then she saw a figure in the darkness, the affidavit said.

The officer concluded that her apartment was being burglarized and gave

verbal commands to the figure, who ignored them. She then drew her weapon and fired twice, the affidavit said.

When she turned on the lights, she realized she was in the wrong unit, according to the affidavit, which appeared to be based almost entirely



Guyger

upon the officer's account.

The Dallas County medical examiner's office said Jean died of a gunshot wound to the chest. His death was ruled a homicide.

Jean's mother said investigators had not given her family an account of what happened. Allison

Jean told a news conference that she asked many questions but was told there are no answers yet.

The family hired attorney Benjamin Crump, who is best known for representing the families of Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown. Martin was the black 17-year-old who was fatally shot in 2012 by George Zimmerman, a Hispanic man who was his Orlando-

area neighborhood's watch captain. Brown, who was 18, was shot to death in 2014 by a white police officer in Ferguson, Mo.

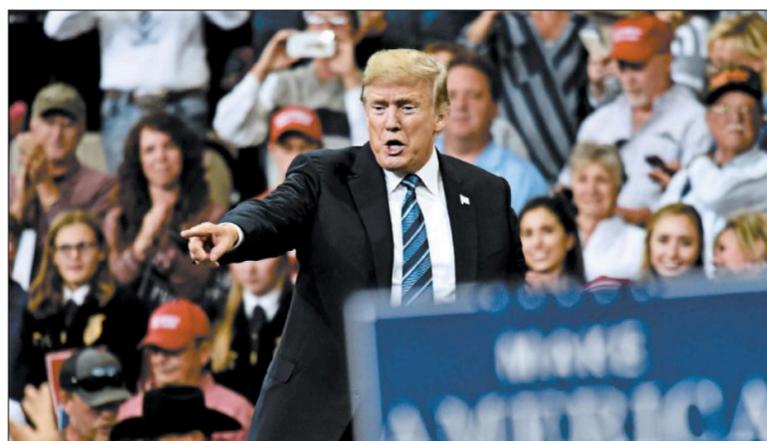
"Black people in America have been killed by police in some of the most unbelievable manners," Crump said Monday at a news conference, citing "driving while black in our cars" and "walking while black in our neighborhoods."

Now, he said, "we are being killed living while black when we are in our apartments."

The family's legal team also includes Lee Merritt, who has represented relatives of an unarmed black teenager who was shot in the back by a white police officer in June while fleeing a traffic stop near Pittsburgh.

On the day after the shooting, Police Chief Renee Hall said her department was seeking manslaughter charges against Guyger, a four-year veteran of the police force. But Hall said Saturday that the Texas Rangers asked her department to hold off because they had learned new information and wanted to investigate further before a warrant was issued.

The district attorney will also have the option of presenting more serious charges to the grand jury.



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President Donald Trump boasted about a letter from Kim Jong Un at a rally in Montana.

Talks underway for second meeting for Trump, Kim

BY DAVID NAKAMURA
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The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The White House said Monday that talks are underway with North Korea over setting up a second summit meeting between President Donald Trump and leader Kim Jong Un, as the two sides seek to put stalled nuclear negotiations back on track.

Press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders told reporters that Kim requested the follow-up to the historic Singapore summit in June in a "warm, very positive letter" to Trump delivered in recent days.

"It's something that we want to take place and are already working on making that happen," Sanders said, though she emphasized that no decisions have been made regarding timing or a venue.

The announcement was the latest sign that Trump, despite growing frustration, remains heavily invested in the efforts to get Pyongyang to comply with pledges to denuclearize made during the Singapore meeting. Trump abruptly canceled a planned visit from Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to Pyong-

yang three weeks ago, citing a lack of progress.

But the president has reacted positively to Kim's recent overture, boasting at a rally in Montana late last week that Kim had "said some terrific things about me."

"He said very strongly that we want to denuclearize North Korea during President Trump's tenure," Trump told supporters at the event in Billings, citing reports from South Korean emissaries who had visited Pyongyang and met with Kim last week.

Sanders said the White House would not release a copy of Kim's letter without Pyongyang's permission. She cited North Korea's decision not to include ballistic missiles in a military parade in Pyongyang over the weekend as a sign that the Kim regime was taking steps not to antagonize the United States.

Some analysts had pointed to the U.N. General Assembly meetings in New York in two weeks as a possible venue for a Trump-Kim meeting, but the North Korean leader has offered no indication that he plans to attend. U.S. officials have privately suggested it is unlikely that such a meeting would take

place there during Trump's two-day visit.

In a tweet Sunday, Trump described Kim's decision not to display ballistic missiles as a "big and positive statement" adding that there is "nothing like good dialogue between two people that like each other!"

But other White House aides struck more cautious notes on Monday. Speaking to reporters, national security adviser John Bolton said the administration is "still waiting for them" to take significant action. Among other things, the United States is seeking a detailed declaration from the North over the size of its nuclear and ballistic missile arsenals.

"The possibility of another meeting between the two presidents obviously exists," Bolton said, "but President Trump can't make North Korea walk through the door he's holding open. They're the ones that have to take the steps to denuclearize, and that's what we're waiting for."

U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Pyongyang is continuing to develop its nuclear weapons programs in secret, despite having not tested a weapon since agreeing to the Singapore summit.

Judge orders continued detention for Butina

BY SPENCER S. HSU
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A federal judge on Monday blasted U.S. prosecutors and defense attorneys during a hearing in which the defense sought to have a Russian woman set free on bail pending trial on charges she was a foreign agent attempting to infiltrate the National Rifle Association and other American conservative groups.

In ordering continued detention for Maria Butina, 29, U.S. District Judge Tanya Chutkan said Butina remained a serious flight risk.

Chutkan also imposed a gag order after slamming prosecutors for their mistaken claim in court filings that Butina traded sex for access, and her defense for repeated public statements that the judge said could bias potential jurors.

Butina has pleaded not guilty after being indicted July 17 on charges of conspiracy to act and failing to register as an agent of a foreign government. Her defense said she was merely networking to develop relationships with Americans. She is jailed in Alexandria, Va.

Chutkan admonished both sides not to try the case in the media.

In a measured tone before a packed but silent courtroom, Chutkan excoriated prosecutors with the U.S. attorney's office of the District and the Justice Department's national security division for opening the case with a "salacious" and "notorious" claim that Butina at least once offered sex in exchange "for a position with a special interest organization," which the government admitted in a late night filing Friday was based on a misreading of three-year-old text messages.

"It took me five minutes to review the evidence and



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Maria Butina, accused of conspiracy and failing to register as a foreign agent, was denied bail Monday.

tell they were joking. It was apparent on their face," in the texts between Butina and another person, Chutkan said, saying she was "dismayed" that "someone at the U.S. attorney's office or at the Department of Justice could look at those exchanges and conclude they were serious."

While crediting the government with taking back the allegation, she warned assistant U.S. attorneys Erik Kenerson and Thomas Saunders, "It could make it difficult to have a fair trial when these mistakes are made."

Chutkan then blasted Butina's attorney for giving interviews opining on his client's innocence and publicly characterizing evidence. The exchanges, the judge noted, violated court rules that bar attorneys from making public statements that could prejudice potential jurors.

"You're going all over the networks giving explanations for the evidence in this case," Chutkan said icily to Butina attorney Robert Driscoll. "I don't think you're going to be a witness in this case."

Chutkan went on to quote what she called "very inflammatory" language

from defense filings that accused prosecutors of "desperation," "cowardice," and "a craven willingness" to mislead that was "frankly shocking."

"I'm not sure if the language is designed to affect my deliberation, but it is quite colorful," the judge said.

After denying bail and imposing the gag order in a 45-minute hearing in which she spoke more than attorneys, Chutkan set another hearing in the case for Nov. 13.

Butina had asked to be freed on bond because she has U.S. ties in her longtime relationship with Paul Erickson, a South Dakota-based Republican consultant she met in Moscow in 2013 and with whom she has been romantically linked.

Butina spent two years at American University in the global security program at the School of International Service and received a master's degree in May.

The case is not part of the special counsel's investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election, but experts said it demonstrates the scale and scope of Russian efforts to influence U.S. politics.

Friends use petanque balls to disarm Paris attacker

BY THOMAS ADAMSON
Associated Press

PARIS — They only went out to play a calm game of petanque and enjoy some late summer warmth by a Parisian canal. By the end of the evening, the three friends had neutralized a knife-wielding attacker who had stabbed seven people, with an unlikely weapon: the game's clanking — and hefty — metal balls.

Lobbing them in their dozens at the attacker and

whacking him on the head with a wooden plank, they managed to bring the horror that befell the 19th District on Sunday night to an end. The attacker is in custody and police are trying to piece together what happened and what the attacker's motivations for his bloody rampage were.

Without the bravery of the three friends it could have been a lot worse. The area was full of revelers from a popular cinema complex, tourists and fam-

ilies.

Luckily, petanque player Boudjema Hamani and his two friends were on hand and ready to wield their own weapons of choice.

Petanque, a typically Gallic pastime played by some 20 million French in which a ball is slowly rolled along the ground, is ubiquitous in Parisian courtyards in summer months. It's popular with the elderly.

In a surprise response at 11 p.m., the friends — none of whom can be considered

elderly — chased the attacker down the street and showered him with their steel spheres that can weigh about two pounds. Some 30 were thrown at the attacker as he was trying to stab people with a 15-inch kitchen knife. At least one struck his head.

Hamani, who helped disarm and arrest the knife-wielder, initially thought it was a normal commotion, perhaps a brawl, nothing especially out of the ordinary.

"But some young girls

and young boys ran toward us, telling us 'careful, careful, he has a knife,' Hamani said.

It was when the knife-wielder arrived on the Bassin de la Villette canal that Hamani and his friends started throwing anything they could find at him, until he lost his balance and fellow petanque player Reda Smain hit him on the head with a wooden plank.

Smain then managed to wrest the knife away from the attacker, as his friends

were able to "block him on the ground," until plainclothes police arrived.

The Parisian petanque players were lauded for their bravery as French authorities opened a murder investigation into the attack. On Twitter, French Interior Minister Gerard Collomb praised their "courage and reactivity."

Paris police said Monday four of the victims are in serious condition, including one in a life-threatening condition.

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Taliban attack Afghan security forces in north, killing 52

KABUL, Afghanistan — Taliban insurgents launched separate attacks on Afghan security forces in provinces across the country's north, killing at least 52, provincial officials said Monday.

Officials in Kunduz province said at least 13 security forces were killed and 15 others wounded in an attack on a checkpoint that began late Sunday.

Meanwhile in Jawzjan province, a Taliban attack on a district headquarters

killed at least eight policemen, authorities said, and that seven Taliban were killed in the battle.

The Taliban also killed 14 policemen and pro-government militiamen in Samangan province, officials said, adding that three Taliban fighters were also killed.

Meanwhile in attacks across Sari Pul province, at least 17 Afghan security forces and 39 Taliban fighters were killed, officials said.



SUNDAY ALAMBA/AP

Homecoming for Kofi Anan: Soldiers carry the Ghanaian-flag draped coffin of former U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Anan to a hearse Monday upon arrival at the airport in Accra, Ghana. Anan died last month in Switzerland and a state funeral is planned for Thursday.

CBS sets aside \$120 million in severance pay for Moonves

CBS said in a regulatory filing Monday that it would contribute \$120 million to a trust that could pay a massive severance — or none at all — to its departing chief executive, Leslie Moonves, depending on the results of an investigation into allegations of sexual misconduct.

The filing says that if the CBS board finds that the company can fire Moonves "for cause" and

he does not demand arbitration, he won't be paid the severance. But if the board finds that Moonves can't be dismissed for those reasons, he will receive \$120 million.

In the filing, the company also said it would donate \$20 million to charities "that support the #MeToo movement." That figure was subtracted from a \$140 million potential severance payment for Moonves.

Sessions: Immigration judges must be efficient with backlog

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — Attorney General Jeff Sessions told a group of new immigration judges Monday they have an obligation to decide cases efficiently in a system besieged by ballooning dockets and lengthy backlogs.

Speaking to the group of 44 new judges — the largest class of immigration judges in U.S. history — Sessions told them they must keep "our federal laws functioning effec-

tively, fairly, and consistently."

Sessions said he believes it is "legitimate, moral and decent" for the government to separate families if they have been caught entering the country illegally, defending the so-called zero-tolerance policy.

Sessions also cautioned the incoming judges against feeling sympathy for the immigrants who appear before their courts.

Trump fires at Woodward, vows 'real book' about tenure

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Monday that he will write a "real book" about his time in the White House, as he continued to seek to discredit other efforts to chronicle his chaotic tenure.

In a morning tweet, Trump leveled his latest criticism against a forthcoming book by veteran journalist Bob Woodward, calling it "just another assault against me, in a barrage of assaults" and branding it "fiction."

"Dems can't stand losing. I'll write the real book!" Trump said in his tweet.

During his business career, Trump wrote nearly 20 books, including "The Art of the Deal." Most of the books had ghost writers. During the 2016 Republican primaries, Trump also released a book titled, "Crippled America: How to Make America Great Again."

On Monday, Trump called Woodward "a liar who is like a Dem operative prior to the Midterms" following an appearance by Woodward on NBC's "Today" show.

During the interview, Woodward, an associate editor at The Washington

Post, defended his reporting in light of denials of material in the book attributed to White House chief of staff John Kelly and Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis.

"They are not telling the truth," Woodward said, adding: "These people, these are political statements to protect their jobs, totally understandable."

Asked whether he was shocked by what he uncovered in his book, Woodward said: "I've never seen an instance when the president is so detached from the reality of what's going on."

Man arrested after airport car chase in France

PARIS — Pursued by police vehicles, a man smashed a stolen car Monday into security barriers at two airports in Lyon, southeast France, and then crashed through two glass doors of a terminal and sped onto the runway, before being arrested.

Amateur video of the

chase showed the car hitting a bump, going airborne and landing in a cloud of dust at Lyon's international Saint-Exupery airport. The driver jumped out while the vehicle was still rolling and sprinted off, pursued by a police van.

Other police vehicles and officers on foot cut off

his escape and one wrestled him to the ground.

The man's motives were unknown and nothing was being ruled out, an official said.

The 31-year-old suspect is believed to be French, and was previously known to police only for traffic violations, the official said.

Turkey masses troops, tanks along border with Syria

Turkey massed tanks and commandos at its frontier and accelerated work to cope with a possible surge of refugees after Russia refused to call off an offensive against the last rebel bastion in Syria.

Howitzers and armored cars were also headed for the border with Syria's Idlib province on Monday, according to state-run Anadolu Agency, and the army reinforced 12 outposts on Syrian territory where Turkish soldiers along with Russians and Iranians monitor flare-ups of violence, according to reports.

Turkey regards the presence of its troops inside Idlib as a deterrent against a large-scale assault by forces of Syrian President Bashar Assad and his allies.

Idlib marks the latest critical juncture in a seven-year conflict that's killed more than half a million people.

Tariffs dispute: China on Monday promised retaliation if the U.S. escalates their tariff battle, raising the risk Beijing might target operations of American companies.

The threat came after President Donald Trump said Friday he was considering extending penalties to an additional \$267 billion of Chinese products.

Traffic report: A major interstate in Northern California reopened Monday after a wildfire roared along the roadway and forced a six-day closure while burned trees and charred vehicles were removed. One lane in each direction of Interstate 5 was reopened with restrictions and warnings of slow traffic.

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EDITORIALS

CPS after Emanuel

The mayor changes, the demand for performance can't

The next mayor of Chicago inherits a public school system that is, for the first time in many years, not on the brink of bankruptcy. But with mismanagement and wasteful spending, it could again be a financial failure.

That new mayor takes control of a school system that boasts a rising graduation rate and improving student test scores. A district that has closed half-empty schools, added seats for high-achieving students and expanded charter schools. A district that pioneered an early warning system to keep more high school freshmen on track. A district that carved new ways to help graduates succeed in college and career.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who announced recently that he won't run for re-election, can rightly boast of major progress in educating Chicago's students. The CPS he bequeaths to his successor still faces daunting challenges, but it does a better job for the children of Chicago than it did when he arrived.

That's largely because Emanuel focused on measurable results — and stressed accountability. Many big city mayors shy away from both. They fear the wrath of teachers union leaders more than they aspire to help children get an education.

But this progress is fragile. With a mayor who puts politics ahead of student performance, the district could skid into a ditch.

How so? A mayor who eases accountability, who lets union leaders dictate how the district is run, who decides voters should elect a school board of pols beholden to deep-pocket donors (in other words, the Chicago Teachers Union), who thinks it's no big deal to cap charter school expansion ... that hypothetical mayor risks the swift unraveling of what Emanuel has achieved.



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Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who recently announced he will not be running for re-election, greets children at Manuel Perez Elementary School in the Pilsen neighborhood on Sept. 4.

Which means that he or she would risk the education of thousands of students. Let's not forget that CPS, led by highly touted reformers since 1995, still struggled for years to nudge the graduation rate above 50 percent. In 2011, when Emanuel took office, the five-year graduation rate was 56.9 percent. By last year it has ballooned to 78.2 percent.

Emanuel's strategy was aggressive and

blunt. He confronted union leaders who argued against stringent teacher evaluations, or more quickly ridding classrooms of perennially underperforming teachers, or closing half-empty schools that fail to educate even a smattering of students. He bulldozed ahead, expanding the school day and year.

Now, a new mayoral era approaches.

And there's plenty of room for more progress.

As long as thousands of students clamor for seats in charters, in International Baccalaureate and other advanced programs, the mayor can't let up.

As long as thousands of students are stranded in schools that are empty shells, offering a bare-bones curriculum, the mayor has work to do.

As long as the district grapples with a student sex abuse scandal, the mayor needs to make sure that CPS works to prevent, and when they occur to promptly report, such crimes.

Emanuel promised an 85 percent graduation rate by 2019. He probably will fall short. But an 85 percent graduation rate isn't a magical maximum. It can, and should, go higher. The goal: 100 percent.

The next occupant of City Hall's biggest chair will have to parry union-led efforts to sap his or her power by creating an elected school board. Removing accountability from Chicago's mayor, who now appoints the school board, would leave children and their parents with no single public official to praise or blame for student performance.

The next mayor won't face immediate financial crises. But CPS has declining enrollment and rising budgets. That's a dangerous combination. The extra money flowing from state and local taxpayers for teachers' pensions and district operations may be cramped at some point. Best not to rely too much on it.

Chicagoans are eager to hear mayoral candidates divulge their plans to improve schools. If you add up all the words that Emanuel uttered in his administration, we'd bet that he focused more on educating Chicago's students than any other topic. Whatever your criticisms, he did deliver results.

Mr. or Ms. Mayor-elect, keep the pressure on. Don't leave a single Chicago schoolchild behind.

America's limited options as another Syrian bloodbath looms

The world has seen this scenario before. Syrian President Bashar Assad launches an offensive against a rebel stronghold, and in the process legions of civilians die — either by poison gas, barrel bombs, burial beneath the rubble of razed buildings. Now Assad, with the help of his Russian and Iranian allies, is poised for an assault on the rebels' last swath of territory, the northwest Syrian province of Idlib. This siege, like others before it, portends a massacre of innocents.

The Trump administration has warned Assad that the U.S. would take military action — it didn't say what kind — if he again kills his own people with chemical weapons. The Syrian dictator's use of chemical weapons in 2017 and again last April killed scores of civilians. After each attack, President Donald Trump ordered strikes on Syrian military bases. It's doubt-

ful that those punishments have deterred Assad; according to The Wall Street Journal, U.S. officials say Assad has endorsed the use of chlorine gas in his Idlib offensive.

Can the U.S. change the trajectory of a potential humanitarian catastrophe in Idlib? Almost certainly not. Unfortunately, Washington scurried to the sidelines of the Syrian conflict long ago — a move that limits U.S. leverage in Syria now.

The U.S. floundering in Syria began when President Barack Obama warned that Assad would be crossing a red line if he used chemical weapons against his own people. Assad ignored the warning, and Obama didn't react militarily. Washington's reticence let Russian President Vladimir Putin assert the Kremlin's influence over the conflict. Today, Assad remains in power with the backing of Russia

and Iran, which now have footholds on this crucial Mideast turf.

Trump inherited the chaos in Syria. He streamlined the U.S. mission there, focusing primarily on the defeat of the Islamic State. That goal has been largely accomplished — Islamic State was routed out of its de facto capital in Raqqa, and its presence in Syria now has shrunk to remote areas near the Iraq border.

The looming crisis in Idlib poses a new quandary for the Trump White House. Rebels numbering in the thousands are mixed in with a civilian population estimated at 3 million, one-third of them children. Many of the civilians are there because they fled other parts of war-torn Syria. At a recent United Nations gathering, U.S. ambassador Nikki Haley called the planned offensive “a

playbook of death.”

Can the U.S. do more than denounce Assad? The U.S. still has 2,200 troops in northeast Syria. That preserves some leverage for the U.S. in the face of Russia and Iran's presence in Syria. Turkey, which also has troops in Syria, strongly opposes the upcoming offensive in Idlib, primarily because the assault would trigger another wave of refugees into its country. Relations between Washington and Ankara have bottomed out, but the two capitals have a common goal in discouraging an Idlib assault — perhaps by pushing Putin to restrain his client Assad.

That's not a satisfying or probably successful gambit. But having surrendered influential roles in Syria to Moscow and Tehran, that's about all Washington can do for now.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The eight-hour American workday caught on in the early 1900s, after decades of pressure from labor unions urging corporations to do away with exhausting, backbreaking schedules. Yet the school day never adapted to match parents' schedules: On average, U.S. students are in school for 6 1/2 hours, five days a week — with a two-month summer break and a smattering of other vacations. There's been some variation over the years: During the first half of the 20th century, for example, schools experimented with summer sessions to accommodate an influx of immigrant children. But most school districts settled into today's schedule by the 1960s, when only about a third of adult women worked and could be counted on to watch their children when the last bell rang. On the whole, conflicting school and work schedules cost the U.S. economy \$55 billion in lost productivity each year, in large part due to parents (mostly women) who scale back employment and the lost productivity when parents have to take off work during school closures.

Kara Voght, The Atlantic

Why, in 2018, when performance garments are practically a science unto themselves, sneakers a designer staple and gender-fluid clothes a reality, are female tennis players still going through the motions of wearing a little flap of fabric around the hips in order to suggest a dress? It's the clothing equivalent of a vestigial tail. Most women players practice in shorts. And they all wear them under their skirts and dresses when they compete, as opposed to the frilly underpants of yesteryear. The dresses — or dress gestures — may be a nod to history, and to the women who came before and what they wore (long lawn skirts!). They may be, as Abby Swancutt of Nike said, a symbol to the athlete of the difference between a Slam and a practice session, and thus a psychological tool. They may enhance the feeling of readiness by dint of style. But they also seem like shadows of older stereotypes.

Vanessa Friedman, The New York Times

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#MeToo abusers seek easy forgiveness. Repentance is hard.

BY DANYA RUTTENBERG

Since the #MeToo movement exploded almost a year ago, our culture has been grappling with questions about what repentance and redemption should look like in the context of sexual misconduct. A great many men — including Les Moonves, CEO of CBS, who resigned Sunday amid mounting accusations — have been named as perpetrators of sexual misconduct and suffered almost unprecedented professional consequences for it.

Yet not even a full year later, many of the accused men whose careers initially seemed ruined are angling for comebacks, including Mario Batali, Charlie Rose, Bill O'Reilly, Garrison Keillor and Kevin Spacey. Matt Lauer told some fans in late August, "Don't worry, I'll be back on TV," despite allegations of an extreme and rampant pattern of sexual harassment. Louis C.K. performed a couple of weeks ago at a comedy club, his first gig since admitting that he had forced a number of women to watch him masturbate.

Are these men sorry? Should they be forgiven? More to the point, perhaps, who has the right to forgive them?

For such questions, sometimes you need a rabbi. Judaism has thousands of years of scholarship on forgiveness and atonement; this is the season when Jews traditionally make *tshuvah* — engaging in a process of repentance and repair for all we've done wrong this past year. Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, began Sunday night, and Yom Kippur, the day of atonement, follows 10 days later. And the classical Jewish categories of "repentance," "forgiveness" and "atonement" might be able to offer some insight to Jews and non-Jews alike.

The Jewish tradition teaches that repentance is really hard work, in contrast to the glib and easy way these accused perpetrators are seeking cheap forgiveness from popular culture. America is often perilously quick to welcome comebacks, in part because we don't really know what it means to atone.

Hard work

According to Jewish law, though, the most critical factor is repentance, *tshuvah* — the work that a person who has done harm must undertake. There are specific steps: The bad actor must own the harm perpetrated, ideally publicly. Then he must do the hard internal work to become the kind of person who does not harm in this way — which is a massive undertaking, demanding tremendous introspection and confrontation of unpleasant aspects of the self. Then he must make restitution for harm done, in whatever way that might be possible. Then — and only then — he must apologize sincerely to the victim. Lastly, the next time he is confronted with the opportunity to commit a similar misdeed, he must make a different, better choice.

Forgiveness is up to the victim and the victim alone. Atonement is up to God. As such, a conversation about sexual predators attempting to return to the public eye should begin with the question of whether they have made real, earnest *tshuvah*.

The perfunctory public apologies that we have so often seen in the wake of allegations could, at best, be considered part of the first step toward repentance, taking ownership of the harm done. But they must reflect a genuine ownership of all actions taken — not "if I did behave then as he describes," as Spacey said; not com-



DREW ANGERER/GETTY

Charlie Rose, shown Sept. 1 in Washington, D.C., was fired after multiple women who worked at his PBS show accused him of misconduct.

plaining about the impact on their work (Keillor), fans (Batali) or family (Lauer), with minimal focus on the victims; not minimizing the complaints as Rose did, blaming God as O'Reilly did or guessing what the victims might have thought, as C.K.'s initial statement last year did. Issuing such superficial and narcissistic public statements is the only thing that any of the above-named men have done to signal any sort of repentance process, at least publicly.

Even if these men had taken full responsibility in their statements, a few months away from the spotlight isn't long to be gone, given all the inner work that must be done. We've seen few indications that these accused perpetrators have gone directly to those they have harmed to make restitution — financial or otherwise — amends or apologies. Their interest in jumping back into the spotlight at the first opportunity raises suspicions about where their focus might really be.

What evidence?

What would indicate that their *tshuvah* was in earnest? A shift in priorities, an investment of their wealth or time into work protecting victims of assault and harassment or creating policies that would better prevent abuse. They would be stepping away from the ego-stroking, power-holding limelight that makes abuse so easy to perpetrate in the first place.

We would see something like the work of Rabbi Yosef Blau, who, after understanding his complicity in enabling a sexual abuser to continue his work with young people as both a high school principal and

youth group leader, has dedicated much of his life and work to advocating for victims of sexual assault. Or we might see real commitment to preventing harm in the future. Shira Berkovits, founder of Sacred Spaces, told me of a Christian man she once met who was incarcerated after raping his nephew. As he was preparing to be released, he wrote to churches telling them what he had done and asking for permission to pray there. For, he said, "I can't be safe and the people around me can't be safe unless we talk about the real risk" — the abuse that he knows he's capable of committing.

He owned the harm he had done and asked for help from prospective faith communities to ensure that he's not put in situations where he could rape again — all the while, of course, making himself very vulnerable to social rejection. While this is not necessarily complete *tshuvah* — I don't know what amends he made to his victim, and I don't know what choices he made once released — he was clearly working hard to change, not to do the same harm again. There are no shortcuts.

Of course, this work is not always lived out well, even in the Jewish world. Barry Freundel, a Washington rabbi jailed in 2015 for filming more than 150 women as they undressed for the ritual bath, issued a public apology that was clearly shaped by his knowledge of classical *tshuvah* literature. But as one of his victims noted, its impact was mitigated by his actions, including appeals for a lighter sentence — showing an unwillingness to accept the full consequences of his deeds.

On a human, ethical level, there is always a path toward repentance, toward

understanding the harm we have caused and toward doing the work of repair and restitution, to whatever degree that is possible. People can always grow and become better.

But how are the rest of us to decide whether these men and others like them have, in fact, repented? We don't have to. Society can't make the determination about when a perpetrator has done sufficient *tshuvah*, and the people who stand to earn money from enabling their "redemption" can't make that determination either. No matter what, we don't need to reward men who have done harm with more opportunities for wealth, prestige, power and celebrity. Part of repenting is accepting the consequences of your actions; in this case, those consequences might come from the criminal justice system or from professional censure.

Whether an abuser's victim or victims have forgiven them is a separate question from whether perpetrators — public entertainers or not — have done *tshuvah*, and it's their business, not ours. There are many talented people whose work we could reward instead of rushing back to people who haven't truly repented. That would send a clear message about not tolerating rape culture.

The Talmud teaches that the gates of repentance are always open. Maybe this will be the year that more perpetrators choose to walk through them.

The Washington Post

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STEPPING DOWN

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PERSPECTIVE

The ugly culture of shaming

BY MITCH ALBOM

It was called a “feel good” story, but it was all about feeling bad.

A 50-year-old woman was shopping with her 40-year-old wife at a Trader Joe’s in New Jersey. At the checkout counter, they noticed a slightly heavysset cashier with a graying beard. He was ringing up and bagging groceries.

“I said, ‘Wait a minute, that’s the guy from ‘The Cosby Show,’” Karma Lawrence would tell the media.

Had this been 30 years ago, the incident would have ended there, and you would not know a thing about it. But because everyone now carries the world in a pocket, Lawrence quickly went online and found photos to confirm her belief that the cashier was indeed Geoffrey Owens, who had a featured role on “The Cosby Show” from 1987 to 1992.

So Lawrence did what so many of us now do, for no reason, and with nothing good to come from it. Without even speaking to him, she snapped Owens’ picture and posted it on the internet.

You know what happened next. The Daily Mail ran the photo and wrote a story about how Owens, 57, had been spotted working as a cashier, a job that reportedly paid around \$11 an hour. And a viral firestorm began.

Now, while the Daily Mail piece had a condescending tone, if you read the actual comments after the article, you see more people saying, “Why is this a big deal” than you do people making fun of Owens.

But there’s no pathos in that. Instead, the headline became that Owens was being “job shamed” on a massive scale, and way more media outlets ran that story, and next thing you know, Owens was on “Good Morning America,” and CNN, and in People magazine. He said all the right things, that work was work, that there was nothing shameful about going from high-profile acting to low-profile earning-a-living.

And before you could say “Instagram,” he was being offered \$25,000 from the rapper Nicki Minaj, and a role on an upcoming Tyler Perry TV show, which Owens has reportedly accepted.

No disgrace in working

It’s the new American Horatio Alger equation: Riches to rags to internet to riches.

First, hats off to Owens, who showed



PAULA LOBO/ABC

Onetime “Cosby Show” star Geoffrey Owens was shamed for working at Trader Joe’s.

nothing but honest work and honest answers in telling the media, “A job is a job” and “Every job is worthwhile and valuable.” He said the royalties from “The Cosby Show” trickled when the show was pulled from syndication (after the sexual assault charges against Bill Cosby) and that Owens’ acting work these days, when he got it, was usually a day or two, so he needed to supplement his income.

He did nothing sad or unusual. Just what millions of Americans do when they need to support their families. But because the story went viral, actors quickly tweeted out their unity with Owens. Patricia Heaton posted, “Why are you trying to humiliate this honorable, hardworking actor?” James Woods tweeted, “Maybe some casting director will take note of a fine man who swallows his pride and is willing to work.” (Never mind that “swallows his pride” is kind of an insult to everyone who works at Trader Joe’s.)

The whole drama took place on the internet and on TV. And fittingly, the internet and TV have now lifted Owens back into another high-profile acting role — the Tyler Perry gig — where he will once again be chatted about on, you guessed it, the internet and TV.

Meanwhile, the biggest question of this whole story is going relatively unasked.

What has prompted us, when we see people going about their lives, to take their picture without permission, post it for the

world to see and make comments about a situation we know nothing about?

The nastiness of shaming

What made a woman named Karma (and boy, is that a loaded moniker) think it was OK to invade a man’s life that way in the first place?

Here is what Karma Lawrence told a New Jersey media outlet. “I don’t know why I snuck a picture. I figure everybody does it. I don’t know what possessed me. I just did it.”

That’s what people should be talking about. I figure everybody does it. She is hardly alone. She actually admitted her first instinct was to say something to Owens, but she instead opted for a distant photo and an internet post. And of course she did an interview with the Daily Mail.

She apologized profusely. But she has now discovered that karma is a — well, you know — for Karma.

“So much hate. So much nastiness. Oh, it’s been terrible,” she said. People have called her names. Someone reportedly Photoshopped devil horns on her head.

So the woman accused of job-shaming was now a victim of snoop-shaming.

And round and round we go with the web outrage. Body-shaming. Parent-shaming. Money-shaming. Politics-shaming. It’s all part of a culture that is more interested in commenting on other people’s lives than

taking care of its own. And it is all fueled by the internet’s seductive but phony sense that you are doing something important by throwing another coal on a digital fire.

All due respect to Owens, but he’s hardly the first actor who had a high-profile gig end nearly 30 years ago and must do something else for money now. New York and LA are chock full of folks in that situation.

Earning an honest living

But once Owens’ photo went viral, then other celebrities — even well-meaning ones — got involved in the high-profile debate, at least partly because it was high-profile. It’s nice that Minaj and Perry are offering to boost Owens, but they could have done that before he was in the spotlight. Instead, news stories are now being done about their kindness, and about Karma’s wickedness, and we continue this cycle of being overly fascinated with celebrities and all that happens to them.

Be honest. Did you check out the original story? Did you look at that photo to see how much Owens had aged? Obviously a whole load of people did. The same ones who buy Star magazine when it publishes its “Best and Worst Beach Bodies” issue, to see how badly famous people look in the flesh, or who flock to “Where are they now?” segments to see how the once mighty have fallen.

The guy who seems to understand this best is Owens himself, who said he doesn’t want acting work because he’s in the news, but because he’s good at it. He told the media, “Eventually, when all this hoopla dies down, I might need to take another job outside of the business. I’m still willing to do that.”

By the way, he went to Yale. He has acted in other shows. He teaches classes at universities and isn’t indigent or living in a flophouse. He merely chose a job that was flexible enough to allow for auditions while putting money in his pocket.

There was never any shame in that. The only shame is how we are addicted to acting like junior paparazzi. And how we continue to treat other people as curiosities rather than human beings.

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Serena Williams is still treated differently than male athletes

BY BILLIE JEAN KING

The ceiling that women of color face on their path to leadership never felt more impenetrable than it did at the women’s U.S. Open final on Saturday. Ironic, perhaps, that the roof of Arthur Ashe Stadium was closed for the championship match. What was supposed to be a memorable moment for tennis, with Serena Williams, perhaps the greatest player of all time, facing off against Naomi Osaka, the future of our sport, turned into another example of people in positions of power abusing that power.

Lost in the craziness of the evening was the fact that Osaka played excellent tennis and won her first major title. Competing against her childhood idol, she summoned her “A” game and earned her championship — no need for any asterisk in the record book. She was the best player on the court Saturday.

But that’s not what many will remember. For fans, Osaka’s stellar play was overshadowed by an archaic tennis rule that eventually led to an abuse of power.

The cause and effect of this unsatisfactory sequence of events are pretty clear.

The cause was the inconsistent applica-

tion of a rule — and the rule itself — that led to the warning that chair umpire Carlos Ramos gave to Williams for coaching coming from her player’s box: If tennis would catch up with the 21st century and allow coaching on every point, the situation on the court would never have escalated to the level of absurdity that it did. Every player, after all, still has to play the match — she has to execute on every point, and she should never be held responsible for the actions of a coach. Coaching happens all the time, at all levels of tennis. So why not just allow it?

The effect was an abuse of power: Ramos crossed the line. He made himself part of the match. He involved himself in the end result. An umpire’s job is to keep control of the match, and he let it get out of control. The rules are what they are, but the umpire has discretion, and Ramos chose to give Williams very little latitude in a match where the stakes were highest. Granted, Williams could have taken some responsibility and moved on after the first warning (and, speaking from experience, it’s debatable whether she knew this was a warning or not), and before the point and game penalties started flying.

But, for her, and for many other women

who have experienced an abuse of power at their workplaces, there was more at stake.

Did Ramos treat Williams differently than male players have been treated? I think he did. Women are treated differently in most arenas of life. This is especially true for women of color. And what played out on the court happens far too often. It happens in sports, in the office and in public service. Ultimately, a woman was penalized for standing up for herself. A woman faced down sexism, and the match went on.

Women have a right, though, to speak out against injustice — as much right as a man. I found myself in similar situations in my career; once I even walked off the court in protest. It wasn’t my proudest moment, but it may have been one of my more powerful ones. I understand what motivated Williams to do what she did. And I hope every single girl and woman watching this match realizes they should always stand up for themselves and for what they believe is right. Nothing will ever change if they don’t.

Women are taught to be perfect. We aren’t perfect, of course, and so we shouldn’t be held to that standard. We

have a voice. We have emotions. When we react adversely to a heated professional situation, far too often, we’re labeled hysterical. That must stop. Tennis is a game, but for Williams and Osaka, it’s also their job, their life’s work. Yes, Williams was heated during the match, because she felt Ramos wasn’t just penalizing her, but also attacking her character and professionalism. Her true leadership and character were revealed after the match, in the trophy presentation, when she shifted the spotlight to Osaka. She didn’t have to, but she did. I know her — that’s who she really is, and she knew it was the right thing to do.

Serena’s a champion. She has done and continues to do the hard work. She was right to speak her mind, to put a voice to the injustice, and she was right to know when to call for the controversy to end.

The Washington Post

Billie Jean King, a former world No. 1-ranked tennis player, founded the Women’s Tennis Association and is co-founder of the Billie Jean King Leadership Initiative, a not-for-profit focused on fighting for equality in the workplace.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

For voters

In a Sept. 6 editorial headlined “Will MWRD Democrats disenfranchise 54,000 Democratic voters?” the Chicago Tribune Editorial Board described the shuffle of seats at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District surrounding the so-called Bradford vacancy. In doing so, the editors declined to inform readers that there will be two candidates on the Nov. 6 ballot for that seat: Democrat Cameron “Cam” Davis and Green Party candidate Geoffrey Cabbage.

Cabbage has been a strong candidate, contributing substantial research into the cozy relationship between MWRD contractors and MWRD commissioners’ campaign committees. It was the Greens for MWRD campaign itself that first revealed that the majority of MWRD contract spending (over \$722 million in the past five years) goes to firms that directly donated to at least one commissioner’s election fund. With five seats on a nine-member board in play, the public deserves

to hear from all the qualified candidates in the race, not just the Democrats.

If the Tribune wants to endorse Davis in the general election, it can and should do so. But to present the election as purely a Democratic Party affair when other parties have done the hard work of ballot access is a disservice to readers and undermines the Tribune’s own claim that voters’ voices should be heard on the Bradford vacancy.

— Karen Roothaan, Chicago; Tammie Vinson, Chicago; Chris Anthony, Chicago; Rachel Wales, Oak Lawn

Undermining democracy

Friday, President Donald Trump ordered U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions and the Department of Justice to investigate, identify and presumably prosecute the anonymous high government official who authored the inside account of how he or she and others are mounting a resistance to the president’s most dangerous notions and directives to protect the country from his malice and folly. The White

House has mounted an extensive counter-attack based not on evidence to the contrary of what was claimed in The New York Times op-ed, but strictly on the anonymity of the author whom the Times reports is known to its editors.

No clearer parallel could be drawn to Deep Throat of Watergate fame. Yet, obviously, if the anonymous Deep Throat — later identified as FBI Associate Director Mark Felt — had been identified during the investigation of the Watergate scandal and fired from his job at the FBI, as President Richard Nixon would certainly have desired, Nixon would likely have survived the Watergate scandal and continued through his second term surreptitiously undermining our democracy.

Anonymity isn’t the question; truth is. If what was written in the Times is true, it is time for others in the White House who know this truth to come out in concert and announce it so. Then it is time for the Congress to begin impeachment proceedings to rid us of the menace of Donald Trump.

— Patricia Suchner, DeKalb, Ill.

The new normal

Ex-President Barack Obama recently gave a speech highlighting the economic recovery that he started and is now in full

bloom under President Donald Trump. But I remember when Obama announced that 2 percent growth was going to be the new normal! Trump came along and reduced the tax and regulatory burdens — the complete opposite policy approach of Obama. Now we have 4 percent growth! Why won’t our friends on the left admit that Keynesian economics and top-down economic control do not work?

When I see the results of Obama’s economic policies, I see a man in mom jeans and a bicycle helmet riding a tricycle on the sidewalk! When I see the results of Trump’s economic policies, I see a man in leather with a bandanna on his head riding a Harley motorcycle on the highway.

— John Zitkus, Mundelein

Kass for mayor

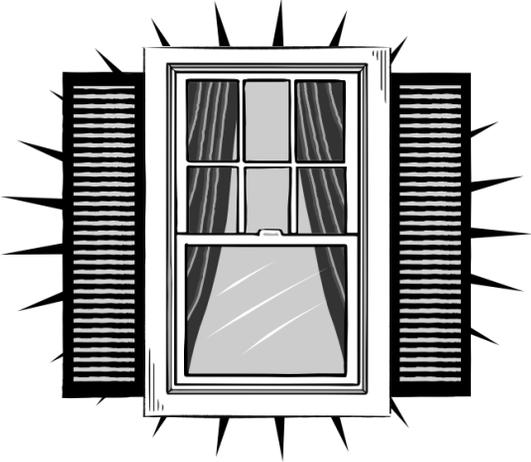
Concerning the John Kass Sunday column, I would like to say that while I no longer live in Chicago, I would gladly move back just to cast my vote for Kass for mayor. I also have several deceased relatives who will also cast a vote for Kass, keeping with tradition. However after the election, I’m moving back to Shorewood.

— Robert Ciesiel, Shorewood

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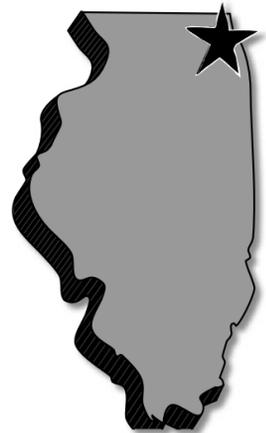
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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

BMO Harris near deal to anchor tower

Bank would be key tenant in Union Station project



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

BMO Harris Bank is in advanced negotiations to anchor a new office tower in Union Station's \$1 billion-plus redevelopment, a project that's been revamped after the original plan met with widespread criticism.

The exact size of the lease for the bank's new U.S. headquarters could not be determined, but it's believed to be about 500,000 square feet in a new office tower that's proposed just south of the railway station, sources said. That amount of space could accommodate thousands of workers.

If finalized, BMO Harris' lease would be large enough to kick off construction of yet another a major new office building downtown. The building, which would require zoning approval from the City Council, is part of a multi-phase redevelopment proposed

by Chicago developers Riverside Investment & Development and Convexity Properties.

Under the new plan, set to be unveiled at a public meeting Tuesday night, the 715-foot-tall proposed office tower would have 1.5 million square feet of space atop 400 below-ground parking spaces, according to the city's Department of Planning and Development.

The tower, designed by Chicago architecture firm Goettsch Partners, would replace a parking garage just south of Union Station on Canal Street.

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GOETTSCH PARTNERS RENDERING

A large public plaza will be built next to a 715-foot-tall tower planned south of Chicago's Union Station.

Breakthru Beverage invests in marijuana

Wirtz-linked company puts \$9.2M in Canadian grower CannTrust

By GREG TROTTER
Chicago Tribune

Breakthru Beverage Group, the alcohol wholesale business co-led by Blackhawks Chairman Rocky Wirtz, announced plans Monday to invest \$9.2 million in CannTrust, a Canadian marijuana producer.

Breakthru has signed a letter of intent to become the exclusive distributor for CannTrust as recreational marijuana is set to become legal in Canada on Oct. 17. In doing so, Breakthru joins a growing number of major alcohol companies to recently invest in the global potential of the burgeoning marijuana industry. Giant beer companies such as Molson Coors — parent company of Chicago-based MillerCoors — and Constellation Brands, which bases its beer business in Chicago, are planning to develop and sell cannabis-infused drinks in Canada.

And distributors like Breakthru and rival Southern Glazer's Wine and Spirits, which announced a deal with another cannabis producer earlier this year, also will have a piece of the fledgling industry.

In a memo to Breakthru employees Monday, Wirtz said his family supported the investment and its long-term potential for growth.

"To us, this venture is a strategic business decision, not reflective of any personal feelings but instead, focused around an opportunity to be at the forefront of shaping a socially-responsible model for this emerging market," said Wirtz, co-chairman of Breakthru Beverage.

Breakthru will establish a new sales brokerage firm and work with the provincial control boards in Canada to distribute CannTrust's products, as is it does with alcohol, Wirtz said. The company's interest in recreational marijuana is limited to Canada, he said.

CannTrust has produced medical marijuana in Canada since 2014. Now it plans to sell its recreational marijuana brands — liiv, Xscape and Synrg — in stores across the country. The company boasted in its news release Monday of its innovation in its edibles and cannabis-infused beverages scheduled to launch next year.

"We have a nano-technology that enables us to produce cannabis-infused beverages neutral in taste, and clear as water. This technology will position us to be a leader in Canada, and in future markets globally," CannTrust President Brad Rogers said in the news release.

Breakthru, the largest alcohol distributor in Canada, has the analytics and insights to help CannTrust grow its business, the release said.

Last month, Molson Coors announced a joint venture with another Canadian producer, HEXO Corp., to market cannabis-infused drinks in Canada. Earlier this year, Constellation — maker of Corona and other Mexican beers — announced a \$4 billion investment in Canopy Growth.

Since Wirtz Beverage merged with Charmer Sunbelt in 2016 to form Breakthru Beverage, com-

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Larger-than-life Lego figures help to attract attention to the toy section at the Target in west suburban Broadview.

TOYS R WHO?

Walmart, Target, even Party City go after toy shoppers with more selection, pop-up stores

By LAUREN ZUMBACH Chicago Tribune

It's barely past Labor Day, but a handful of retailers already are hinting at one item on their holiday wish lists: business from former Toys R Us shoppers.

Toys R Us closed its last U.S. stores in June after filing for bankruptcy protection last fall. Despite its challenges, the chain still had loyal customers. It racked up \$71 billion in U.S. sales during the year ending in January 2017, the most recent year for which financial results are available.

As the first holiday season without Toys R Us approaches, retailers are fighting for their slice of those sales by devoting more shelf space to toys, hosting events where kids can play with popular items and even opening toy-specific seasonal stores.

As the only national big-box chain devoted entirely to toys, Toys R Us could offer a much wider range of items than other retailers. That made it a popular destination for holiday shoppers, even if those big, toy-centric stores were tough to sustain the rest of the year, said Neil Stern, senior partner at Chicago-based consulting firm McMillanDoolittle.

Other big-box chains offer toys to meet shoppers' day-to-day needs, "but if you really wanted to get a specific item on a



Our Generation dolls are displayed at the Target store at Broadview Village Square.

wish list, you wanted that selection," Stern said.

Dean Yeropoli said he'll miss having a Toys R Us just a mile from home in Akron, Ohio. Every year, he and his wife would bring their sons to the store about a month before Christmas to pick out the toys Santa would put under the tree Christmas morning, said Yeropoli, watching his sons play Friday morning at Maggie Daley Park while visiting Chicago.

"The closest thing we have now is Target or Walmart, but it's three aisles," Yeropoli said.

Those retailers and others say they're trying to narrow that gap.

Walmart said its stores will carry 30 percent more new toys compared with

last year and some stores will have 25 percent more aisle space devoted to toys, not just during the holidays but throughout the year.

"We've always felt we've been a destination for toys," spokeswoman Megan Kring said. "We feel good about what we're offering in terms of brands and prices, and now we're doubling down."

Walmart expanded its list of top holiday toys from 25 to 40, and included input from 25 influencers — kids and families who have developed big followings on social media. That's in addition to the hundreds of kids the chain has invited to test toys each of the past few years. The retailer also is hosting events where kids can test new toys in stores, such as a National Play Day event held at 1,500 stores last Saturday.

Among Walmart's top picks are toys from classic brands like Lego and Barbie, new items from makers of some of last year's hits like Hatchimals and L.O.L. Surprise, and a line of 11 toys from Ryan's World, named for a first-grader whose YouTube channel, Ryan ToysReview, has more than 16 million subscribers.

Target on Tuesday announced plans to stock more than 2,500 new toys this year, nearly twice as many as last year. The chain also is adding a new online gift catalog and toy-themed store events, the first of which was also held Saturday. Kids who are fans of Our Generation dolls can pick a free plush dog toy to

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Consumer borrowing pace nearly doubles in July

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Americans increased their borrowing in July at nearly double the pace of the previous month, evidence that confident consumers are willing to take on more debt to support their spending.

The Federal Reserve reported Monday that consumer debt rose by a seasonally adjusted \$16.6 billion in July, up sharply from a gain of \$8.5 billion in June.

The category that includes credit cards rose by \$1.3 billion after shrinking by \$1.2 billion in June. The category that covers auto and student loans surged by \$15.4 billion after an increase of \$9.6 billion in June. It was the largest gain since an increase of \$17.9 billion last November.

Consumer spending accounts



MATT ROURKE/AP

The category that includes credit cards rose by \$1.3 billion after shrinking by \$1.2 billion in June.

for 70 percent of economic activity in the United States.

After a slow start this year, consumer activity accelerated sharply this spring. That helped

push overall economic growth up to a solid annual rate of 4.2 percent in the April-June quarter, almost double the 2.2 percent GDP gain in the first quarter.

President Donald Trump is forecasting even stronger gains in growth going forward, but private analysts believe the spring quarter figure was boosted by some temporary factors. Those included a rush to ship U.S. exports of products such as soybeans before retaliatory tariffs were imposed by China and other countries reacting to penalty tariffs levied by the Trump administration.

Many analysts believe growth for the second half of this year will come in at a still solid annual rate of 3 percent. If that forecast proves accurate, it would give the country the strongest full-year GDP growth in more than a decade.

The Fed's monthly credit report does not include mortgages or any other loans secured by real estate such as home equity loans.

Economics of child care 'broken'

Demand for child care is up while workers decline

By SALLY HO
Associated Press

SEATTLE — A dire child care workforce crisis amid a booming U.S. economy is compelling many industry players to turn to business tactics more closely resembling Wall Street than “Sesame Street” — including noncompete clauses for child care workers and client families, college tuition incentives for the workers and non-refundable wait list fees for desperate parents seeking day care slots.

Underlying the phenomenon is a shrinking pool of child care workers with employers still offering low pay while demand for high-quality child care programs skyrockets, particularly in expensive urban areas, with a rise in children needing care and a decline in providers.

Child care workers in the U.S. make less than parking lot attendants and dog-walkers, said Marcy Whitebook, co-director of the University of California, Berkeley's Center for the Study of Child Care Employment.

“If you can't get workers to do the job, then it's hard to expand the supply. And when the economy is good, that's when you need to expand the supply,” Whitebook said. “The economics of early childhood in the United States are quite broken.”

In Seattle, the fastest growing U.S. big city, the population and household incomes have skyrocketed because of the technology boom — creating a child care hole with costs reaching about \$2,000 monthly per child.

The advocacy group Child Care Aware reports that in 2017, there were 132,000 more children up to



Rachel Lipsky walks with her daughters Azra Maidadi, left, and Naima Maidadi as they leave preschool in Shoreline, Wash.

age 6 in Washington state who could use formal child care arrangements, compared to the number of available child care slots. Nationally, Whitebook said two-thirds of all children in that age range have parents who are both working.

Some child care centers are so popular in Seattle, New York and San Francisco that parents pay to get on waiting lists while still trying to conceive.

That meant Rachel Lipsky and her husband were already at a disadvantage when they started looking for child care while she was pregnant in 2012.

She thinks the system is troubled but doesn't blame the workers, saying “they work two times harder than I do. Who am I to quibble?”

Lipsky, a 38-year-old government agency project manager, paid the waitlist fees before her child was

out of the womb, didn't get her daughter into her first of choice care center but eventually secured a spot for the girl and another child born later.

Licensed providers caring for children from infancy through 5 years old say they have tried for years to professionalize what is largely a decentralized array of small businesses. But the industry as a whole has always stumbled with high labor turnover as the jobs offer low pay and high stress.

Aubrey Zoli, 38, said she loves working with 4- and 5-year-olds at the popular Wallingford Child Care Center in Seattle but struggles with the \$16.90 hourly pay, especially with a bachelor's degree.

“I love the job but I can't afford to live it. A lot of our teachers have second incomes from second projects

because it's impossible to live on these wages in Seattle,” said Zoli, who also does work as a musician and event-planner.

Her boss, Jenny Cimbalknik, concedes that the non-profit Wallingford center can't afford higher wages because it already puts 80 to 90 percent of revenue into staffing costs.

The median annual pay for child care workers — including those in formal facilities and home-based centers, as well as private nannies — increased by 13 percent between 2014 and 2017, to \$22,290, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. During the same period, the pool of U.S. child care workers dropped 3.5 percent.

Laws regulate how many children centers can take and busy centers say it's not unusual for parents to try to bribe center officials with

money or gifts for child care slots or offers to pay extra tuition.

Experts say public policy and demographics have exacerbated demand. Dual-income households headed by millennials are more often concentrated in urban centers. Parents also increasingly favor high-quality early education programs with trained teachers and academic philosophies instead of the mere babysitting functionalities.

The shift comes as a growing body of brain development research shows children who attend good preschools are better off as adults, with higher incomes and healthier lifestyles. That has contributed to political momentum for government-subsidized pre-kindergarten programs, which has also affected child care centers.

Business operations suf-

fered at the Wallingford center when the city launched a pre-K program in 2014, Cimbalknik said. Toddlers that cost less to care for left for free preschool, creating an imbalanced demand among higher-cost infants. Wallingford was also stretched financially when the city's \$15 hourly minimum wage law took effect in 2015.

Amid the challenges, Bright Horizons Children's Centers, one of the country's largest publicly traded, for-profit child care business, recently announced a new college tuition incentive program for its employees. CEO Stephen Kramer said the company's turnover rate is well below the 50 percent industry average, but he wanted to boost the numbers of career-minded early education professionals.

Some child care centers now use noncompete-like policies to combat family “poaching” of child care workers to become their personal nannies and to address other outside work arrangements by child care workers.

Cimbalknik said the Wallingford center loses several teachers every year to more lucrative nanny offers but allows outside babysitting because it gives workers extra income and builds tighter relationships with family clients. The company requires workers and families to sign “hold harmless” agreements to avoid liability.

Getting on a waitlist at a Bright Horizons location in Seattle costs \$100 while Wallingford charges \$75. Many parents report spending hundreds of dollars to get their names on as many waitlists as possible, realizing they may not get slots for their children at most locations.

Wallingford also has a separate waiting list for its free monthly tours.

The wait? Nine months.

Retailers attempt to lure toy shoppers

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“adopt.”

J.C. Penney, which missed out on the strong sales that led department store rivals like Macy's, Kohl's and Nordstrom to raise financial expectations for the year after the most recent quarter, said it is adding 40 percent more toys and games to stores for the holidays.

The department store chain added toy shops to all stores before last year's back-to-school season. Then-CEO Marvin Ellison told investors in November the toy shops are part of the retailer's plan to get customers to spend more at J.C. Penney by expanding the range of products it carries. While the toy shops are open year-round, the retailer is making an extra push during the holidays, with a dedicated toy catalog and list of its picks for the season's top toys.

Although the decision to open the toy shops came before Toys R Us' bankruptcy, James Starke, J.C. Penney's senior vice president and head of merchandising, said the chain has continued to add products to its toy shops and capture market share since its competitor closed its stores.

Kohl's, meanwhile, added Lego and FAO Schwarz products to its stores this month. The brands will give “a real boost to our toy business,” CEO Michelle Gass said during a call with investors last month.

Even Party City is getting in on the competition, with plans to open about 50 Toy City pop-up stores, some in former Toys R Us stores. Most will open this month alongside Party City's temporary Halloween stores and remain in business through the holidays in what the chain



Christian Andalcio and his son Sebastian shop for toys at the Target store in Broadview.

considers a pilot program. Illinois will have two of the pilot Toy City stores, one in Chicago's Archer Heights neighborhood and another in Springfield.

“Toys R Us closing their doors created a new market opportunity, one where we can leverage our existing pop-up store capabilities and expand our toy offerings in a very strategic way,” Party City Retail President Ryan Vero said in an email.

Industry experts said Walmart, Target and Amazon — already major toy destinations — will likely win the biggest share of Toys R Us' sales. Toys R Us was the fourth most popular destination among toy shoppers surveyed by CoreSight Research, according to a March report.

Amazon led the list, attracting customers like Mark Kinsley, of Chicago. It's the easiest way to get toys for his 2-year-old son, said Kinsley, who said he might miss Toys R Us but “just from nostalgia.”

Walmart and Target also attracted a larger share of toy shoppers than Toys R Us in CoreSight's survey. More than 60 per-

cent of Toys R Us shoppers also browsed for toys at each of those three retailers, according to CoreSight. Fewer than 30 percent said they browsed dollar stores or department stores.

Walmart's large stores will make it easier for the retailer to add the big selection that drew shoppers to Toys R Us, said Matthew Hudak, senior analyst at Euromonitor International.

Target, meanwhile, has a wide range of baby products that could help it win over former Babies R Us customers, McMillanDoolittle's Stern said.

J.C. Penney also is making a bid for new baby business with baby shops launched in 500 stores last month.

Other retailers, including discounters, will likely pick up at least a slice of Toys R Us' sales, though department stores like J.C. Penney and Kohl's could have a tougher time than mass merchandisers customers already think of as go-to destinations for toys.

“It's asking consumers to change their perception of the retailer,” Hudak said. “They need to make

sure parents feel like the trip is worth their time.”

J.C. Penney's Starke said it's already seeing signs customers are interested in buying toys. During a 100-store test in spring 2017, toy customers spent more per transaction and visited more often than those who didn't buy toys. The category has performed extremely well, he said in an email.

But even retailers promising to stock a wider range of toys this season won't match the shelf space a Toys R Us could offer.

That could give retailers more leverage to demand toymakers create exclusive versions of hit toys shoppers can't find at competing stores, Hudak said. Shoppers might also notice louder packaging as brands try to ensure products stand out among competitors squeezed on the same shelf.

“A lot of toymakers depended to a degree on Toys R Us, and they're going to have to be content with smaller bargaining power,” he said.

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BMO Harris near deal to anchor new tower

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The plan also includes a large public plaza that would extend underneath a cantilevered portion of the tower, which would be supported by huge, triangle-shaped structural columns.

A spokeswoman for the Toronto-based bank and a spokesman for Union Station's developers declined to comment.

BMO Harris currently leases more than 800,000 square feet combined in three downtown buildings — at 115 S. LaSalle St., 111 W. Monroe St. and 200 W. Adams St. Some or all of those workers could be consolidated into the new Union Station space.

BMO Harris is represented by brokers Jeff Liljeberg and Steve Stratton of Jones Lang LaSalle.

Tuesday's meeting, hosted by downtown Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, comes more than two months after initial plans

unveiled at a community meeting were not well-received by city officials and architecture experts.

Under that plan, designed by Solomon Cordwell Buenz, the revamped Union Station building was to include a 330-room hotel and a seven-story glass-and-steel addition was to include 404 apartments. The new plan proposes adding a single floor to the existing building, to increase the number of hotel rooms to 400. Apartments have been eliminated from the plan. Details of the office project that would be anchored by BMO Harris were not discussed in the initial public meeting.

The developers also have proposed adding a food hall and other retail at street level of the rail station, where 37 million Metra and Amtrak passengers pass through annually.

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Danny Wirtz is vice chairman of Breakthru Beverage Group.

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binning the leadership teams of both companies, the Wirtz family no longer calls all the shots. But it still has considerable clout. Rocky Wirtz is co-chairman. His son Danny is vice chairman. Arthur Wirtz, Rocky's cousin, is executive vice

president of operations.

Last year, Breakthru announced plans to merge with Texas-based Republic National Distributing Co. to form the second-largest alcohol distributor in the United States.

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Alibaba's Jack Ma to step down as chairman

By Joe McDonald
Associated Press

BEIJING — Jack Ma, who founded e-commerce giant Alibaba Group and helped launch China's online retailing boom, announced Monday that he will step down as the company's chairman next September.

In a letter released by Alibaba, Ma said he will be succeeded by CEO Daniel Zhang, an 11-year veteran of the company. Ma handed over the CEO post to Zhang in 2013 as part of what he said was a long-planned succession.

Ma, a former English teacher, founded Alibaba in 1999 in an apartment in the eastern city of Hangzhou to connect Chinese exporters with foreign retailers. It expanded into consumer retailing, becoming the world's biggest e-commerce company by total value of goods sold, as well as online finance, cloud computing and other services.

Ma, who turned 54 on Monday, became one of China's most famous entrepreneurs and one of the world's richest.

The Hurun Report, which follows China's wealthy, estimates his net worth at \$37 billion.

Alibaba's \$25 billion initial public stock offering on Wall Street in 2014 is the biggest to date by a Chinese company.



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Jack Ma, who founded e-commerce giant Alibaba, announced that he will step down as the company's chairman and be replaced by Daniel Zhang in September 2019.

Alibaba said Ma will remain a member of the Alibaba Partnership, a group of 36 people with the right to nominate a majority of its board of directors. That arrangement limits shareholder control, but Ma has defended it as a way to keep Alibaba focused on long-term development.

"This transition demonstrates that Alibaba has stepped up to the next level of corporate governance from a company that relies on individuals, to one built on systems of organizational excellence and a culture of talent development," said Ma's letter.

Ma said he wants to "return to education" but gave no details.

Alibaba is part of a group of companies including games and social media giant Tencent Holding Ltd., search engine Baidu.com Inc. and e-commerce rival JD.com that have revolutionized shopping, entertainment and consumer services in China.

E-commerce sales in China rose 32.2 percent last year to \$1.1 trillion, accounting for 20 percent of total retail spending.

Alibaba was founded at a time when few Chinese used the internet. As internet use spread, the company expanded into retailing and services. Few Chinese used credit cards, so Alibaba created its own online payments system, Alipay.

Zhang, Ma's planned successor, joined Alibaba in 2007 after working at Shanda Entertainment, an online games company. Zhang served as president of Alibaba's consumer-focused Tmall.com business unit.

Ma appears regularly on television. At an annual Alibaba employee festival in Hanzhou, he has sung pop songs in costumes that included blonde wigs and leather jackets. He pokes fun at his own appearance, saying his oversize head and angular features make him look like the alien in director Steven Spielberg's movie "E.T. the Extraterrestrial."

U.S. News tweaks its college-ranking formula

By Nick Anderson
The Washington Post

U.S. News & World Report overhauled its college-ranking formula this year, putting more emphasis on social mobility and less on exclusivity in admissions, a change that scrambled its annual lists of top colleges and universities released Monday.

Two schools continued their long runs atop the rankings: Princeton University was the No. 1 national university for the eighth straight year, and Williams College was the top liberal arts school for the 16th straight year.

National universities put a major focus on research and award bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. Liberal arts colleges are centered on undergraduate education.

To rank schools, U.S. News collects and analyzes data from reputational surveys along with information about graduation rates, faculty resources, student academic credentials, alumni giving and other factors. Critics have long said the formula relies too much on prestige and wealth, and not enough on the value schools add to society.

Other publications have jumped into the rankings business, but U.S. News remains a leader in the field. College presidents, trustees, alumni, faculty members and students closely track annual ups and downs on U.S. News lists. Often, it's just about bragging rights. But in academia, hierarchies determined by rankings can shape the market for faculty and students.

This year, U.S. News dropped admission rates from the formula — a move that helps schools that are not ultra-selective — and added data on graduation rates for students in financial need who receive federal Pell Grants.



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Princeton University has been U.S. News and World Report's No. 1 national university for eight years in a row.

"A university is not successful if it does not graduate its students, which is why the Best Colleges rankings place the greatest value on outcomes, including graduation and retention rates," said Robert Morse, chief data strategist at U.S. News. "By including social mobility indicators, U.S. News is further recognizing colleges that serve all of their students, regardless of economic status."

On both lists, the top 20 featured many names familiar from years past.

Harvard University ranked second on the national university list, followed by four schools tied for third: Columbia and Yale universities, the University of Chicago and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

On the liberal arts list, Amherst College ranked second, Swarthmore and Wellesley colleges tied for third, and Bowdoin, Carleton, Middlebury and Pomona colleges tied for fifth.

But the new methodology yielded significant ferment.

The University of California, Los Angeles ranked 19th, placing it ahead of the state flagship campus, Berkeley (22nd), for the first time. The University of California, Santa Barbara moved up seven

places, tying for 30th with New York University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The two national universities in the top 100 this year that moved up the most were the University of California, Riverside and Howard University, a prominent historically black institution in the nation's capital. Both serve high numbers of disadvantaged students. At UC Riverside, the Pell share of undergraduates is more than half, and at Howard it is nearly half.

UC Riverside jumped 39 places on the U.S. News list to 85th, tied with Michigan State University and University of San Diego.

Howard climbed 21 places to 89th.

"It will take time to reverse decades of deference to traditional assumptions of institutional quality," Kim A. Wilcox, chancellor of UC Riverside, said in a statement. "I'm heartened that more university ranking systems are beginning to recognize diversity, social mobility, and student success as hallmarks of a what make a great university?"

Five years ago, Howard ranked 142nd.

Howard President Wayne A.I. Frederick called the higher ranking "a proud moment for all of us."

Naperville's Wilton Brands poised for sale

The owner of Wilton Brands has agreed to sell the Naperville-based baking supply company to a German food manufacturer.

Private equity firm TowerBrook Capital Partners plans to sell Wilton Brands, known for its bakeware, cake decorating tools and candymaking supplies, to food company Dr. August

Oetker for an undisclosed sum, the companies said Monday in a news release. The deal is expected to close before the end of the year.

Founded in 1929, Wilton Brands was acquired by TowerBrook Capital in 2009. The company will remain headquartered in west suburban Naperville,

and Sue Buchta will continue as CEO, according to the news release.

Oetker, a family-owned company based in Bielefeld, Germany, operates in 39 countries and employs more than 11,600 people worldwide.

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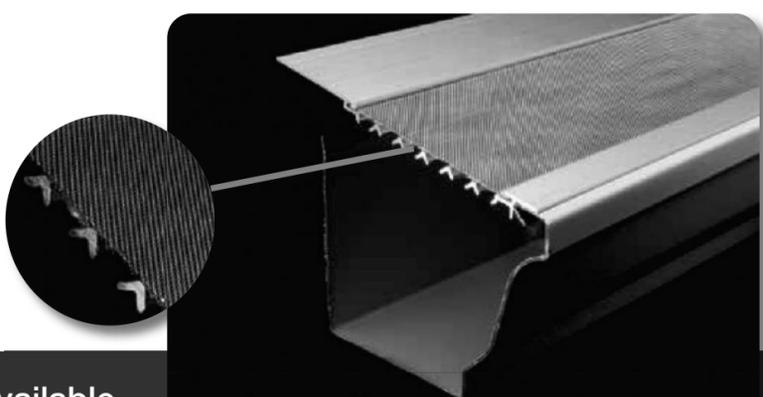
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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 26,039.96 Low: 25,854.13 Previous: 25,916.54



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
+21.62 (+.27%)	+5.45 (+.19%)	+4.29 (+.25%)
Close 7,924.16	Close 2,877.13	Close 1,717.47
High 7,945.03	High 2,886.93	High 1,723.81
Low 7,890.39	Low 2,875.94	Low 1,714.49
Previous 7,902.54	Previous 2,871.68	Previous 1,713.18

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
... to 2.94%	-60 to \$1,193.00	+15 to 111.21/\$1	-0.0023 to .8623/\$1	-.21 to \$67.54

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW -41	NASD -2.29	S&P -84	DOW +2.66	NASD +1.34	S&P +1.96	DOW +17.23	NASD +23.19	S&P +15.64

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 18	488	504	488	504	+17.75
		Dec 18	512	529	508.25	528.25	+17
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 18	353.25	356	353	355.50	+1.25
		Dec 18	366.75	368	364.25	367.25	+2.5
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 18	832.25	838.25	832.25	833.50	+1.50
		Nov 18	841.75	851.25	840.50	845.25	+1.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Sep 18	27.90	28.03	27.90	28.03	+0.9
		Oct 18	28.07	28.14	27.94	28.10	+0.6
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Sep 18	313.30	316.60	313.10	315.90	+1.70
		Oct 18	313.20	317.20	312.00	316.30	+1.60
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Oct 18	67.82	68.52	67.33	67.54	-1.21
		Nov 18	67.64	68.33	67.19	67.41	-1.4
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Oct 18	2.770	2.814	2.752	2.804	+0.028
		Nov 18	2.786	2.820	2.764	2.808	+0.018
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Oct 18	1.9749	1.9998	1.9564	1.9592	-0.0108
		Nov 18	1.9537	1.9792	1.9412	1.9443	-0.0058

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

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

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	66.55	+34	Equity LifeStyle Prop	N	96.15	+11	Middleby Corp	O	125.90	-19
AbbVie Inc	N	93.82	-35	Equity Residential	N	67.80	+56	Mondelez Intl	O	42.90	+38
Allstate Corp	N	97.85	-2.18	Exelon Corp	N	44.62	+05	Morningstar Inc	O	139.65	+34
Aptargroup Inc	N	108.56	+66	First Indl RT	N	32.02	+05	Motorola Solutions	N	127.13	+34
Arch Dan Mid	N	49.70	+39	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	54.95	+43	Navistar Intl	N	39.22	+1.30
Baxter Intl	N	74.89	+30	Gallagher AJ	N	74.19	+43	NiSource Inc	O	27.62	+4.3
Boeing Co	N	341.86	-7.42	Grainger WJ	N	352.19	+2.90	Nthn Trust Cp	O	106.42	+4.3
Brunswick Corp	N	68.30	-01	GrubHub Inc	N	141.01	-91	Old Republic	N	22.60	-07
CBOE Global Markets	O	103.41	-92	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	95.32	+34	Packaging Corp Am	N	113.20	+1.29
CDK Global Inc	O	61.06	+20	IDEX Corp	N	152.52	+17	Payload Hldg	O	81.47	+86
CDW Corp	O	88.49	+83	ITW	N	142.45	+182	RLI Corp	N	77.84	-45
CF Industries	N	51.47	+54	Ingredion Inc	N	101.78	-46	Stericycle Inc	O	61.92	+10
CME Group	O	174.10	+32	John Bean Technol	N	119.40	-60	TransUnion	N	75.87	+1.40
CNA Financial	N	45.03	+11	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	144.69	+69	USG Corp	N	43.09	-02
Caterpillar Inc	N	142.05	+73	Kemper Corp	N	85.90	+165	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	285.96	+16
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	36.62	+29	Kraft Heinz Co	O	57.24	+65	United Contl Hldgs	O	88.09	+41
Deere Co	N	148.61	+98	LKQ Corporation	O	33.21	-07	Ventas Inc	N	59.28	+4.3
Discover Fin Svcs	N	78.13	+67	Littelfuse Inc	O	220.39	+111	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	68.80	+61
Dover Corp	N	85.53	+79	MB Financial	O	48.81	+10	Waltrust Financial	O	89.41	-10
Equity Commonwealth	N	32.21	+21	McDonalds Corp	N	165.07	+117	Zebra Tech	O	170.05	+2.22

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	12.51	+11
Alibaba Group Hldg	156.36	-6.01
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.38	+0.08
Bank of America	30.32	-0.4
Ford Motor	9.38	+1.1
Snap Inc A	9.74	-1.9
AT&T Inc	32.39	+2.7
Petrobras	10.88	-1.6
Ambev S.A.	4.46	-0.4
Sthwn Energy	4.88	+0.5
Oracle Corp	48.86	+1.05
Chesapck Enrgy	4.08	+0.5
Pfizer Inc	42.06	-14
Banco Bradesco ADS	6.95	-0.7
Twitter Inc	30.54	+0.5
Wells Fargo & Co	57.46	+0.6
Vipshop Hldgs Ltd	5.86	-4.2
MGM Resorts Intl	26.95	+2.0
Nabors Inds	5.79	+0.3
Williams Cos	28.52	-0.6
Hewlett Pack Ent	16.41	-1.2
Citygroup	69.63	-0.1
HP Inc	24.65	-0.6
Kinder Morgan Inc	17.69	-1.3

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	156.36	-6.01
Alphabet Inc C	1164.64	-19
Alphabet Inc A	1175.06	-2.53
Amazon.com Inc	1939.01	-13.06
Apple Inc	218.33	-2.97
Bank of America	30.82	-0.4
Berkshire Hath B	215.11	+1.07
Exxon Mobil Corp	81.71	-1.2
Facebook Inc	164.18	+1.4
JPMorgan Chase	113.71	-6.1
Johnson & Johnson	137.21	-1.1
Microsoft Corp	109.38	+1.17
Pfizer Inc	42.06	-14
Royal Dutch Shell B	65.02	-37
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.96	-40
Unitedhealth Group	259.73	-8.55
Visa Inc	144.08	+8.8
WalMart Strs	96.90	+1.07
Wells Fargo & Co	57.46	+0.6

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	34.30	+10	+21.9
American Funds AMRnBAlA m	27.79	+0.3	+9.2
American Funds CptlInclBldrA m	60.22	+1.7	+1.5
American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	64.29	+1.9	+14.5
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	55.25	+1.1	+21.4
American Funds IncAmrcA m	23.19	+0.5	+6.0
American Funds InvCAMrcA m	41.32	+1.3	+13.7
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	45.87	+0.9	+12.3
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	46.49	+0.9	+16.4
DFA IntlCorEqIn	13.57	+0.5	+6
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.45	+0.1	-3
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	42.21	+1.7	-5.3
Dodge & Cox Stk	212.64	+3.3	+18.3
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.39	+0.1	-2
Fidelity 500IdxIn	100.90	+2.0	+19.1
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	100.89	+1.9	+19.2
Fidelity 500InclPrm	100.89	+1.9	+19.1
Fidelity Contrafund	13.82	+0.2	+24.4
Fidelity ContrafundK	13.82	+0.2	+24.5
Fidelity GroCo	21.16	+0.7	+29.2
Fidelity LowPrStk	55.17	-1.0	+10.6
Fidelity TlMktIdxPrm	83.30	+1.9	+19.7
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.31	...	+3.5
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	10.36	+0.1	-1.4
PIMCO Inclnstl	11.87	...	+8
PIMCO TlRetIn	9.90	...	-2.6
Schwab SP500Idx	44.91	+0.8	+19.1
T. Rowe Price BCGR	111.49	-1.5	+25.7
T. Rowe Price GrStk	70.60	...	+20.5
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	266.64	+5.0	+19.1
Vanguard DivGrIn	28.32	+1.2	+16.3
Vanguard GrdIdxAdmrl	81.54	+1.9	+21.7
Vanguard HCAmrl	93.73	-3.0	+11.4
Vanguard INTTEAdmrl	13.84	...	-1.6
Vanguard InslIdxIn	263.22	+5.0	+19.1
Vanguard InslIdxInPlus	263.25	+5.0	+19.1
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	64.42	+1.5	+19.8
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	95.25	-0.8	+6.0
Vanguard MDCpIdxAdmrl	203.97	+9.5	+16.2
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	150.44	+8.0	+25.5
Vanguard STInVGrdAdmrl	10.46	...	-2
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	78.65	+2.4	+23.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.86	+0.3	+5.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.82	+0.2	+6.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	23.32	+0.4	+7.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.17	+0.3	+8.7
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.40	...	-1.9
Vanguard TtBMDIdxIn	10.40	...	-1.9
Vanguard TtInBIdxAdmrl	21.85	+0.1	+1.8
Vanguard TtInBIdxIn	28.27	...	-1.7
Vanguard TtInSIdxIn	113.04	+0.1	-6
Vanguard TtInSIdxInPlus	113.06	+0.1	-6
Vanguard TtInSIdxInV	16.90	...	-7
Vanguard TtISMIdxAdmrl	72.46	+1.7	+19.8
Vanguard TtISMIdxIn	72.47	+1.6	+19.8
Vanguard TtISMIdxInV	72.42	+1.7	+19.7
Vanguard WngtNAdmrl	73.61	+0.9	+9.7
Vanguard WlslyInAdmrl	64.51	+0.6	+4.0
Vanguard WndsrInAdmrl	69.77	+1.6	+15.1

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3-month disc	2.11	2.09
6-month disc	2.265	2.24
2-year	2.69	2.69
10-year	2.94	2.94
30-year	3.10	3.10

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1193.00	\$1193.60
Silver	\$14.079	\$14.067
Platinum	\$790.00	\$780.40

INTEREST RATES

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Discount Rate Primary	2.50
Fed Funds Target	1.75-2.00
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.44

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Euro	.8623
India (Rupee)	72.595
Israel (Shekel)	3.5826
Japan (Yen)	111.21
Mexico (Peso)	19.2552
Poland (Zloty)	3.72
So. Korea (Won)	1130.26
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.85
Thailand (Baht)	32.81

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OBITUARIES

BOB BARNES-WATTS 1955-2018

On-air personality at 3 Chicago radio stations

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH
Chicago Tribune

Bob Barnes-Watts was an on-air personality on three Chicago radio stations in the 1980s and 1990s, including WCKG-FM and WFYR-FM.

An Englishman, Barnes-Watts stood out from the many other voices on Chicago radio because of what he described to the Tribune in 1991 as a "general English public school" accent.

"He was such a funny guy, and one of the things I used to love doing to him was my bad British accent. I'd say to him, 'You know, Bob, I could speak your language, but you can't speak American,'" WERV-FM disc jockey Mitch Michaels, a former WCKG colleague, recalled with a laugh. "He'd say, 'Whatever (accent) you're doing is not my language.'"

Barnes-Watts, 63, died of complications from cancer on Aug. 13 at his home in Inverness, Scotland, said a longtime friend, former WCKG-FM program director Dan Michaels (no relation to Mitch Michaels). Barnes-Watts had moved from the Northwest Side Norwood Park community area to his native United Kingdom in 1997.

Barnes-Watts grew up near Plymouth, England, in that nation's southwest corner. A lifelong railroad enthusiast, Barnes-Watts was working for British Rail in 1980 when he encountered a vacationing American woman from Kansas City, Mo., in Penzance, England. The couple began a whirlwind romance, and they soon married and moved to the U.S.

"I had no bloody idea of what I was going to do when I got there, but I thought, 'Why not?'" Barnes-Watts recalled to



Bob Barnes-Watts in the studio at WCKG-FM in 1991.

the Tribune in 1991.

Barnes-Watts first worked as a salesman but soon talked his way into an on-the-spot interview with the program director of KBEQ-FM, an album-rock station in Kansas City. Hired as a weekend jock and later promoted to weeknights, Barnes-Watts worked at that station for two years before shifting to a job on the air at adult-contemporary station WRAL-FM in Raleigh, N.C.

After a year and a half at WRAL, Barnes-Watts came to Chicago in 1984, when he took a midday hosting job at oldies station WFYR-FM.

"Bob was an amazing storyteller," said Bob Bateman, formerly a late afternoon host for WFYR-FM. "He had the gift of gab and dry British wit that his listeners and his friends loved."

"We had a blast at WFYR," Barnes-Watts told the Tribune in 1991. "The people and the management over there were great. But then around 1987, things began to change, the way they always do in radio."

In July 1989, Barnes-Watts, WFYR's morning host Cory Deitz, its program

director Kenny Lee and a producer were let go from WFYR as part of a retooling of the station. About six weeks later, Barnes-Watts started a talent referral service called Trained Ear Ltd. He also began offering escorted tours of Great Britain for a travel agency.

Barnes-Watts returned to radio in November 1990 as a weekend and fill-in jock at WCKG-FM. While there, he began hosting the popular "Breakfast with the Beatles" show, about the Fab Four. Barnes-Watts left WCKG at the end of 1993. He then spent the summer of 1994 as the midday host at KZFX-FM in Houston.

Both at WCKG and at KZFX, Barnes-Watts worked for Dan Michaels, who had been program director of both stations.

"He was fun to listen to. He had a good sense of humor, and he'd make you chuckle, both on and off the air," Michaels said. "And he was a very optimistic guy. No matter what came his way, he was positive about it."

Barnes-Watts also taught broadcasting courses at Columbia College. In late 1995, he came back on Chicago's airwaves for a third time when he joined WRCX-FM as part of its weekend air staff. He was on WRCX until late 1997, when he moved back to the U.K. and took a job working on a transportation website. He later joined the staff of a radio station in Exeter, England, and then shifted to a job with a British railroad operator.

A marriage to Charlotte Barnes-Watts ended in divorce. Survivors include a companion, Anne Sutherland; and a sister, Mary.

Services were private.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON SEPTEMBER 11 ...

In 1297 in a rare but important military victory for Scotland, clans under William Wallace defeated a large English force at the Battle of Stirling Bridge northeast of Glasgow.

In 1677 Maine became the first American colony to pass a law against liquor sales.

In 1777 American forces under Gen. George Washington were defeated by the British in the Battle of Brandywine near Wilmington, Del.

In 1789 Alexander Hamilton was appointed the first treasury secretary.

In 1814 a U.S. fleet scored a decisive victory over the British in the Battle of Lake Champlain in the War of 1812.

In 1830 the Republic of Ecuador was established and granted a constitution under which it was to be part of the Confederation of Colombia.

In 1841 all but one member of President John Tyler's Cabinet resigned to protest Tyler's veto of a banking bill. (Only Secretary of State Daniel Webster remained.)

In 1862 William Sydney Porter, who wrote under the name O. Henry, was born in Greensboro, N.C.

In 1885 D.H. Lawrence, who was to become one of the most controversial authors of the 20th century, was born in Eastwood, England.

In 1897 a strike by coal miners in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia ended with the miners winning an eight-hour workday. (The previous day, 20 Pennsylvania miners were killed when sheriff's deputies fired on them.)

In 1918 the Cubs lost the World Series to the Boston Red Sox.

In 1945 former Japanese Prime Minister Hideki Tojo attempted suicide. (He recovered and was executed as a war criminal.)

In 1961 the children's program "Bozo's Circus" made its television debut on WGN.

In 1962 the Beatles recorded their first single ("Love Me Do" and "P.S., I Love You") at Abbey Road Studios in London.

In 1974, 71 of the 82 people aboard an Eastern Airlines jet were killed when it

crashed while trying to land in Charlotte, N.C.

In 1976 a TWA jet seized by Croatian hijackers during a New York-to-Chicago flight landed in Paris, where the passengers were allowed to disembark.

In 1982 all 46 people aboard a U.S. Army helicopter were killed when it crashed on a highway during an air show in Mannheim, West Germany.

In 1984 President Ronald Reagan agreed to meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko later in the month to try to ease tensions between the two superpowers. **Also in 1984** Secretary of State George Shultz announced the U.S. was willing to admit 8,000 children fathered by American GIs during the Vietnam War and 10,000 Vietnamese political prisoners.

In 1989 the exodus of East German refugees from Hungary to West Germany by way of Austria began.

In 1994 Jessica Tandy, who won the 1989 best actress Oscar for "Driving Miss Daisy," died in Easton, Conn.; she was 85.

In 1997 Scots voted to create their own parliament after 290 years of union with the English.

In 1999 hundreds of East Timorese were dead and their capital, Dili, was burned and ravaged after a week of mayhem raised by militia thugs angered by the region's vote to end its ties to Indonesia.

In 2001 in the deadliest attack on the United States, nearly 3,000 people were killed when terrorists hijacked four jetliners, crashing two into the 110-story twin towers of New York's World Trade Center. The two others crashed into the Pentagon and in a Pennsylvania field.

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Death Notices

Berland, Susan

Susan Berland, nee Pecko, age 70. Loving wife of the late Honorable Richard B. Berland for 45 years. Devoted mother of Scott (Jamie) Berland, Bobby Berland and her beloved Yellow Lab Macy. Proud Grandmother of Ryan, Casey and Remy. Adored daughter of the late Emil J. and the late Florence Pecko. Cherished sister of Monica (Mark) Levin and many nieces and nephews. Dear sister-in-law of Michael (Amy) Berland and James (Roberta) Berland. Service to honor her memory will be Thursday 2 PM at Congregation Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60022. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie. Memorials in her memory can be made to American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, PO Box 96929 Washington, DC 20090 www.asPCA.org or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com



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Best, Jr, Jacob H. 'Jerry'

Jerry "Pops" Best passed away peacefully in Rancho Santa Fe on August 30, 2018 surrounded by his family at the age of 81. He was born on July 21, 1937 to Jacob Hilmer Best and Clara Cornell Best in Chicago, Illinois. Jerry graduated from Niles High School in Skokie, Illinois in June 1955 where he excelled in football, equine sports and taught horseback riding to students in summer camp. He went on to college on full football scholarship to Michigan State University and graduated with a B.A. in Hotel Management. This is where he also met the love of his life, his wife of 59 years, Janet Donnelly. They married in 1959 and had 3 beautiful children (Jay, Peter & Julie) a.k.a. "Best 5". Jerry began his hotel career with Marriott Corporation in its humble beginnings when the total hotel count consisted of 4 properties. Through the span of 20 years with Marriott, he created exciting memories throughout the US moving his family to dozens of cities launching the flagship hotels from Boston to Hawaii. He started a career on a hotel sales team at The Blackstone in Chicago and worked his way to CEO for several major international hotel companies. His career never held him back from flying home to be at each of his kid's sporting events and coaching for their teams. He was known by all throughout the many ice hockey rinks, football & baseball fields for his famous "whistle" followed by his never ending encouragement. He was the ultimate family man and a man of great Catholic Faith. His career & accomplishments included being the recipient of the Michigan State School of Hospitality Business Leadership Hall of Fame. He had incredible charisma and a zest for life that created many unique life experiences, including being invited to carry the torch on horseback for the opening ceremonies of the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympic Games. He was passionate about his career and even more so about the people around him. He successfully retired several times, but continued to be pursued to lead, grow companies and develop people in the hotel industry. Over a span of 50+ years as a leader in his field, he was revered as a mentor to hundreds of industry professionals. He and Janet enjoyed retirement by traveling the world, golfing, dancing, hosting social gatherings, actively participated with the Church of the Nativity & various children's charities throughout the San Diego area. His family knows he is in a better place and now able to dance "The Jig" as he always did so well! He is survived by his wife Janet, brother Scott Best, sister-in-law Barbara, children Jay Best, daughter-in-law Kate, Peter Best, daughter-in-law Patty & Julie Best, son-in-law Jeff and grandchildren Brandt (wife Lauren), Courtney, Austin, Austin H, Tucker, Sara, Brandon, Karen, Trevor, Carly, Brandon, Blake, and his great grandson Bodhi.

Services will be held on Saturday, September 15th @ 11:00 am at The Church of the Nativity 6309 El Apajo Road Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to Casa de Emparo c/o Ms Kathy Karpe' 325 Buena Creek Road, San Marcos, CA 92069 and/or Just in Time for Foster Youth c/o Mr. Don Wells P.O. Box 81292, San Diego, CA 92138
You will always be missed and never forgotten. God Bless you Pops! "Shake 'em up!"
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Brown, Michael R.
Michael R. Brown - Passed away September 5, 2018, after a year's battle with cancer. Devoted son of Roberta L. (nee Smith) and Robert W. Brown; loving father of Michael A. Brown. Memorial Visitation Saturday Sept. 15, 2018 from 2-6 p.m. at **Cooney Funeral Home** 3918 W. Irving Park Rd. Interment private. In lieu of flowers donations to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated. Info 773-588-5850...

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Buhrfeind, Delrose E.
Delrose Buhrfeind, nee Deiry, 97, of Mt. Greenwood, IL, passed away on September 9, 2018. Beloved wife of the late George Buhrfeind (CPD). Loving mother of George (Mary Ann) and grandmother of Catherine (Ed) Clinton, Susan (Bruce) Metzner and Thomas Buhrfeind. Proud great grandmother of Michael and Zachary Metzner and Edward, Micayla and Alexis Clinton. Special aunt to many nieces and nephews. Delrose was preceded in death by her brothers and sisters, Laverne Bouley, Adrian Deiry, Lucille Schumacher, Eleanor Maynard, Mildred Staszak, Robert Deiry and Marjorie Abrahm. Funeral Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from **Salerno's Rosedale Chapels**, 450 W. Lake St., Roselle (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale/Roselle Rd.) Funeral mass to be celebrated at St. Walter Catholic Church at 11:00 a.m. Interment to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, Evergreen Park, IL. Visitation is on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations made to St. Walter Church would be greatly appreciated. For info (630) 889-1700

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Cowan, Saralee I.

Saralee I. Cowan, nee Izenstark, age 88. Beloved wife of the late Roy Cowan. Loving mother of Francine (Nathan) Kipnis, Robin Cowan (John) Gottlieb, Jay (Lauren) Cowan and Marci (Gary) Jacobson. Proud Nanie of Molly and Danny Kipnis, Will, Jacob and Julia Gottlieb, Avery and Eric Cowan and Emily and Robby Jacobson. Dear sister of the late S. Theodore and Robert Izenstark. Will be missed by extended family and friends. Private graveside service Tuesday. Call the funeral home for condolence information. Memorials in her memory may be made to Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com



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Frankel, Jay L.

Jay L. Frankel age 88. Beloved husband of Phylis nee Schwartz. Loving father of Jill (Barry) Goldberg and Kathy (Howard) Brody. Proud and loving grandfather of Stephanie (Jeremy) Rouse, Jared (Danielle Goldfinger) Goldberg, Jessica (Jordan Sanders) Brody, Alec Goldberg and Scott Brody. Dear brother of Neil (Cindy Coleman). Service Wednesday 12PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com



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Hanlon, Patricia S

Patricia S. Hanlon, 89, of Edison Park. Beloved wife of the late James P. Hanlon, II. Loving mother of Mary Anne (Aaron) Newman, James III (Nicole) Hanlon and the late Richard Hanlon. Loving grandmother of Kate and Paxton Newman, Ellie, James IV, and William Hanlon. Dear sister of Mariellen (the late Don) Lund. Fond sister in law of Dee (the late Bill) Walsh and the late Tom (the late Margaret) Hanlon. Cherished aunt of many including, Andy, Chris (Elizabeth) and Matt (Kim) Lund and Jenny (Tom) Monaghan. Visitation Wednesday from 4 until 9 PM at the **M J Suerth Funeral Home**, 6754 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago. Prayers Thursday 9:30 AM at the funeral home. Funeral Mass Saint Juliana Church at 10:00 AM. Interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials appreciated to 12th Armored Division Memorial Museum, 1289 North 2nd Street, Abilene, Texas, 79601. For further information 877-631-1240 or www.suerth.com



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Kedzior, Paul M.

Paul M. Kedzior, 65. Suddenly, September 7th. Loving father of Barret (Mike) Zolnierowicz, Taylor (Brian) Zator and Kaitlin Kedzior. Beloved grandpa of Quinn, Conor, Grant, and Claire. Brother of Larry (Barb Gardner) Kedzior and Dennis (Mary Dee) Kedzior. Preceded in death by his parents Hank and Jean and aunt Florence Siwy. Proud Union Member of Local 399. Family and friends will meet directly at St. Barnabas Church, 10134 S. Longwood Dr. Friday, September 14, 2018. Memorial Visitation 9:30 a.m. until time of Mass 10:30 a.m. Int. Private. Arrangements entrusted to **Donnellan Funeral Home** (773) 238-0075. Sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com



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Kohnke, Wanda P.

Wanda Kohnke, age 90, of Chicago, passed away peacefully on September 7th, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Herbert Kohnke. Loving mother of Stephen (Catherine) and Cathy (David). Cherished grandmother of Michael, Timothy, and Mary Catherine. Fond sister to Edward and Ronald. Preceded in death by siblings Norma, Leroy, Richard, Rosemarie, and Betty. Aunt to David Korajczyk and many other nieces and nephews. Memorial Mass Friday, September 14th, at 10 AM at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish 4646 Austin Avenue in Chicago.

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LaVieri, Frank G.

Frank G. LaVieri, 49 year resident of Westchester passed away peacefully on September 9, 2018, age 91. U.S. Army WWII Veteran. Beloved husband of Marian, nee Blaser; loving father of Susan (Rick) Ollis, Robert (Beth) LaVieri, Mary (John) Rehak, David (Kathy) LaVieri, John (the late Jill, nee Kuhnert) LaVieri and the late Michael G. (Nadia, nee Lawruk) LaVieri; proud grandfather of 11; great-grandfather of seven; dear brother of the late Dorothy Partida; fond "Uncle Bud" to many nieces and nephews. Retired after 30 years at Union Oil Company. He loved his family and loved to make homemade Ravioli on Christmas Eve and Calzone for Easter Morning. He will be greatly missed. Visitation will be held at Divine Infant Church 1600 Newcastle, Westchester on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral mass 10:00 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Donations to Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org) appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Lotto jackpot: \$13.75M
Pick 3 midday 125 / 2
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Lucky Day Lotto midday
09 19 24 27 33
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Sept. 11 Mega Millions: \$207M
Sept. 12 Powerball: \$132M

WISCONSIN
Sept. 10
Pick 3 548
Pick 4 0516
Badger 5 13 15 19 27 30
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INDIANA
Sept. 10
Daily 3 midday 236 / 8
Daily 4 midday 9946 / 8
Daily 3 evening 088 / 7
Daily 4 evening 6339 / 7
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Sept. 10
Daily 3 midday 898
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Newton, Myra L.

Myra L. Newton (nee Lock), age 75, beloved wife of George "Rick" Newton; loving mother of Greg (Amy) Newton; dearest sister of Vaunda Bray; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 P.M. Funeral Thursday 9:30 A.M. from **Lawn Funeral Home** 7732 W. 159th St. Orland Park to St. Julie Billiard Church Mass 10:00 A.M. Interment Chapel Hill Garden South Cemetery. Funeral Info: 708 429-3200



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Nicoletti, George E.

George E. Nicoletti, age 92 of LaGrange Park, formerly of North Riverside. Retired 50-year Navistar employee, where he had several patents, and past president of Italian Catholic Federation. Beloved husband of Pauline (nee Belandi) and the late Jeanette (nee DeMaria), loving father of Diane (late Ken) Marshall, Donna (Pete Iovinelli) Stone and step-father of Christine (Skip) Lang, Lawrence (Paula) Manetti and Louis (Sylvia) Manetti, cherished grandfather of Michael Stone, Gina (Brian) Hayes, step-grandfather of 9 and step-great-grandfather of 12. Funeral Thursday, September 13, 9:30am Prayers at **Kuratko-Nosek Funeral Home**, 2447 S. DesPlaines Avenue, North Riverside to Mater Christi Church. Mass 10:00am. Inurnment Private. Visitation Wednesday, 3:00pm-9:00pm. Memorial contributions to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60607 would be appreciated. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.KuratkoNosek.com. Info: (708) 447-2500.



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See Zell, Joan Osran notice.

Patel, Rakesh Ronak

Rakesh Ronak Patel, 38, the beloved partner of Shannon Greve, loving son of Hemlata Patel and the late Rajnikant Patel, and devoted brother of Chirag Patel, died suddenly September 8, 2018 at Palos Hospital with Shannon by his side. Ronak, of Palos Heights, was a trained chef who shared his love of cooking with students at Cook, Cork & Fork and Peterson Garden Project. A graduate of Le Cordon Blue Chicago, he loved comfort foods of the world; Cajun and Southern dishes were his favorite to prepare. His passion for cooking was fueled by the excellent cuisine of his mother and grandmother, particularly masala dosa and chicken curry. Born in Calgary, Canada, Ronak had fond memories of camping in Banff with his family as a child. He was proud to become an American citizen at the age of 18. He was a 1997 graduate of Hoffman Estates High School and earned a film degree from Columbia College. He loved movies and TV shows, especially "Kicking and Screaming," "Bottle Rocket," "Role Models" and "The Simpsons." Ronak loved visiting his family around the world and spending time at Lake Camelot with the Greve family. In recent years, Ronak suffered many health setbacks but he was a fighter. He was very grateful for the care he received and for everyone who supported him through his illnesses. To honor his memory, please become an organ donor at lifeagoeson.org. Ronak is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and colleagues. A funeral will be held Thursday, Sept. 13 at 11 a.m. at Bohemian National Cemetery, 5255 N. Pulaski Road, Chicago.

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Picchiotti, Mary M.

age 87 of Highwood. At Peace In Christ Sept. 9, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Peter. Loving mother of Tina (Silvano) Facchini, Steve, Kathy (Larry) Zanotti, Donna (Tom) Thomey and Bob (Andrea). Fond nonna of Richard (Laura) Joyce, Jennifer Zanotti, Sonia (Adam) Stokes, Krystin McDermott, Katherine, Elizabeth and Nicholas Thomey, bis-nonna of Brian, Savannah and Callie Joyce and the February addition of Baby Stokes. Dear sister of late Angelina (late Hannibale) Vanni, late Louis (late Norma) Mocogni, late Joseph (late Alda) Mocogni, sister-in-laws Rosina (late Vittorio) Piacenza and Veronica (late Umberto) Bertucci. Cherished zia and nonna to many. Visitation Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018 from 4:00 to 9:00 PM. Funeral Wed. Sept 12, 2018 9:30 AM from **SEGUN & SYMONDS FUNERAL HOME**, 858 Sheridan Rd., Highwood to St. James Church mass 10:00 AM. Interment Ascension Cemetery. Info: 847-432-3878

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Rychlik, Pearl M.

Pearl M. Rychlik (nee Puralowski) passed away September 9, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Joseph W. Rychlik; loving mother of the late Joseph T. Rychlik, dear grandmother of Matthew J. Rychlik; cherished sister of Billy, Junie, and the late Henry, George, Leo, Jimmy, Bobby, Evelyn, Teddy, and Eddie; fond aunt and friend of many. Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at **Casey Laskowski Funeral Home**, 4540 W. Diversey Ave., Chicago. Friends and family will gather Thursday from 9 a.m. until Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Hedwig Church. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Memorials to St. Hedwig Church appreciated. For more information call 773-777-6300 or www.caseylaskowskifh.com.



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Sanders, Arthur E.

Arthur E. Sanders, age 74, passed away on September 8th surrounded by his loving family. Art was the beloved husband of Patricia Mae, nee Gaynor, for 53 wonderful years; loving father of Cheryl L. (John) Adrian, Arthur E. III (Lynne) Sanders, Michelle A. (Jim) Stach, Kristin M. (Edward) Cox and Jennifer K. (William) Donegan; dearest son of the late Bernice and Arthur Sanders Sr.; cherished grandfather of Melissa, Kaitlyn and Ashley Adrian, Julia, Matthew, Jack and the late Kevin and Elizabeth Sanders, Nathan, Nicholas, Addison and Brianna Stach, Caleb and Hailey Cox and Kaylee Donegan; dear brother of Sandra Fehling and a fond uncle of many. Art was a meat-cutter at Dominick's for over 35 years. Visitation Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. Funeral Services begin at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, at the funeral home, and will proceed to St. Francis Borgia Church for Mass at 10:30 a.m. Interment to follow at St. Joseph Cemetery. Info 708-456-8300.



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Sarmiento, Audrey Florence

Audrey Florence Sarmiento, 89, Bradenton, FL formerly of Olympia Fields, IL, died peacefully on Saturday, September 8, 2018. Beloved wife of the late Dr. Jose Joaquin Sarmiento of 44 years. Loving mother of Dr. Joseph (Tammy), Dr. J. George (Susan), James (Donna), Michael (Stephanie Fuoco) and Paul (Jane). Beautiful hearted grandmother to Joey (late Amanda), Gloria, Abigail, Rachel (Jason), Sarah (Mark) and Anna. Loving great grandmother to Sophia, William, Joseph and Peter. Dear sister to the late Joan (Charles) Vrba and Wilhelmina (Lou) Malvestuto. Beloved aunt to her nieces and nephews. Audrey was a Cub Scout Den mother, School Nurse at Infant Jesus of Prague and an excellent cook - her pig roasts were enjoyed by all. Audrey was known to many as a talented quilter and created hundreds of beautiful and intricate pieces. She was one of the founding members of the SS. Peter and Paul vocal and handbell choirs. She was a graduate of St. Joseph grammar school, Bloom High School and St. Francis College of Joliet. She worked as a nurse at St. Francis Hospital in Joliet and St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, where she served as the President of the Women's Auxiliary. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 9:30AM Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at St. Peter and Paul the Apostles Catholic Church, 2850 75th Street W., Bradenton, FL. Private burial will be held in Illinois at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the SS. Peter and Paul Music Ministry, 2850 75th Street W., Bradenton, FL 34209 would be appreciated. Brown & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory 43rd Street Chapel, 604 43rd Street West, Bradenton, FL 34209, is in charge of arrangements. Condolence may be made to www.brownsandsonsfuneral.com

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Seilkopf, Laura S.

Laura S. Seilkopf, lifelong resident of Bensenville, at peace, September 4, 2018. Loving wife of the late Alfred Seilkopf. Cherished friend of Rodney and Carol Thompson. Dear friend and family of Tom (Ellen) Marschall. Adored cousin and aunt to many. Preceded in death by her sister, Edna (Vernon) Runge. Lying in state at Faith Community United Church of Christ, 192 S. Center St., Bensenville, Wednesday, from 9-11am followed by 11am service. Interment Friedens Cemetery in Bensenville. Memorials in Laura's name to Faith Community United Church of Christ will be appreciated. For more info 1-630-834-1133 or www.pedersenryberg.com

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Sochacki, Edward

Edward Sochacki, 88, of Schererville, IN formerly of South Holland, IL and Chicago's "East Side" passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 9, 2018. Ed was the beloved husband of Rosemarie for 68 years until her recent and sudden passing on July 2, 2018. He is survived by his sons, Edward J. (late Darlene) Sochacki and Don (Marian) Sochacki. Grandchildren, Vince (Julie), Randy (Kelly), Derek (Monica), Steve (Lisa) Sochacki and Ricki Ruzich-Sochacki; 13 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. Fond uncle, cousin and friend to many especially those from Lansing Country Club who shared his love of golf. He was preceded in death by his son, Rick in 1988.

Visitation will be on Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 4:00-8:00 pm at KISH FUNERAL HOME, 10000 Calumet Ave. Munster, IN and on Friday from 9:30-10:00 am at the church. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, September 14, 2018 at 10:00 am at St. Maria Goretti Church, 500 Northgate Dr. Dyer, IN. Interment will be at Holy Cross Cemetery, Calumet City, IL.

Ed retired from Commonwealth Edison after 40 years of service. After retirement it was time for golf and travel. His favorite pastimes were tinkering in his workshop, manicuring his lawn, building and flying remote control airplanes. His warm smile and caring personality will be missed. Love you Bop. www.kishfuneralhome.net

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Spevacek, Joan R.

Joan R. Spevacek (nee Geiger), age 92, Korean War U.S. Army veteran, a resident of Naperville, IL since 1967, formerly of Clintonville, WI, passed away on Sunday, September 9, 2018 at The Springs at Monarch Landing in Naperville, IL. She was born December 1, 1925 in Clintonville.

Beloved wife of 45 years to the late John F. Spevacek, who preceded her in death on December 7, 2000, loving father of Mary Ann Spevacek, Thomas (Diane Bravos) Spevacek, Peter (Susan Mravca) Spevacek, James Spevacek and Joseph (Ann Harvey) Spevacek, adored grandmother of John Howard Spevacek, dear sister of the late Clement Geiger and the late Leonard Geiger, fond cousin, aunt, great-aunt and friend of many. Joan worked for many years as a surgical nurse at Copley Hospital in Aurora, IL.

Visitation Friday, September 14, 2018, 9:00-11:00 AM in the Narthex at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1500 Brookdale Rd., Naperville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday, 11:00 AM in the church with Rev. Joel Fortier officiating. A luncheon will follow the funeral mass at the church. Future inurnment: SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Naperville, IL. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL**. For a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.



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Sroka, Lynnette M.

Lynnette M. Sroka, 66, passed from this life on September 8. She was the beloved wife of the late Mitchell Z. Sroka. She was preceded in death by her parents Arline and Howard Streich and her sister, Roberta. She was the loving mother of Cindy (Sam) Farren and Mitchell Sroka, the doting and loving grandmother of Quinn, and she was extremely fond of Muffin. She will be missed by her many friends and family. She was the owner of PR Streich and Sons in Franklin Park. She spent many hours as a volunteer at Westgate Elementary School in District 25, and as a Girl Scout leader. She loved to travel and was able to visit Tahiti, Germany, France, Russia, Egypt, and England, to name a few. The visitation will be held at **Skaja Terrace Funeral Home**, 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles on Thursday from 5-9 P.M. Funeral Service Friday 11:30 AM at the funeral home. Entombment Acacia Park Mausoleum. Donations to the Illinois Spina Bifida Association or the ASPCA are appreciated. Funeral info: 847-966-7302 or www.skajafuneralhomes.com



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Tassey, Hugh Rowland

Hugh Rowland Tassey, age 91, formerly of Wilmette, El Cerrito, California and recently Grayslake, IL. Beloved husband to the late Janice nee Head for 35 years and Barbara, nee Belcher for 26 years. Adored father to Barbara (Matt) Houser, Ann (Marty) Tyler, Katherine Heinz, William Tassey and Joan Tassey. Doting grandfather to Emily (Chris) Murphy, Courtney Tyler, James Jacobs, Hannah Stahl and Daniel Tassey. He is preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Brunson. Hugh served in the Navy 1945-46 aboard the USS Warton returning to attend and graduate from Occidental College (1950) where he made lifelong friends. He had a successful career in public relations at Proctor & Gamble, Montgomery Wards, Amsted Industries and the Veterans Administration. Hugh was a voracious consumer of books, media, music and the next irresistible gadget on Amazon. He will be remembered as a thoughtful, curious and creative thinker and writer who had a fierce loyalty to family and friends. For information, please call 847-223-8122 or go to www.strangfuneral.org.



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Theisen, Herbert J.

Herbert J. Theisen, age 78, of Lincolnwood, IL, an attorney in private practice for over 50 years and former Chairman of the Lincolnwood Zoning Board of Appeals, having served over 30 years before retirement. Loving father of Blair Theisen (Chris) Titcomb. Dear brother of Kenneth (Mary) Theisen, the late Eileen Theisen, and the late Patricia (the late Richard J.) Heimer. Fond uncle of Kenneth, Michael (Lauryn), and Caitlin Theisen; Deirdre, Felicia, Brian Heimer, and Francesca Heimer (Andy) High. Visitation Thursday, September 13, 2018, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Thursday, September 13, 2018, 9:30 a.m. from the funeral home to Queen of All Saints Basilica, 6280 North Sauganash Avenue, Chicago, IL 60646. Mass 10:00 a.m. Entombment Saint Joseph Mausoleum, River Grove, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: American Diabetes Association, 55 East Monroe Street, #3420, Chicago, IL 60603. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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Trch Jr., Emil J.

Emil J. Trch, Jr., age 73 of Geneva. Beloved husband of 50 years of Christine "Tina" nee Wroblewski. Loving father of David (Laura), Dr. Kenneth (Colleen), Jennifer (Don) Humphreys. Devoted grandfather of 6 and dear great grandfather of 2. Fond brother of James (Carol). Funeral prayers Wednesday 1:00 pm **Malone Funeral Home**, 324 E. State St (Rt 38), Geneva proceeding to St. Peter Catholic Church, 1891 Kaneville Rd, Geneva for Celebration of Funeral Mass 2:00 pm Father Jonathan Bakkelund celebrant. Private Interment Resurrection Catholic Cemetery, Geneva. Visitation Tuesday 4-8 pm **Malone Funeral Home**, Rosary at 7:45. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Peter Catholic Church, 1891 Kaneville Rd, Geneva, IL 60134. Information 630-232-8233 or malonefh.com.



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Virgilio, Peter

Peter Virgilio, Age 44. Beloved father of Nick P. Virgilio. Loving son of Thomas and Raffaella (nee D'Ambrosio). Dear brother of Pasquale (Edyta) Virgilio and John Virgilio. Fond uncle of Victoria and Sophie Virgilio. Member of I.U.O.E. Local 150. Visitation Wednesday Sept. 12 from 3 to 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave. Norridge. Funeral Thursday 8:45 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Tarcissus Church for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to The Anti-Cruelty Society, 157 W. Grand Ave., Chicago, IL 60654. Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.



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Wills, Daniel G.

Daniel G. Wills, 59, of Chicago; loving father to Katie; former husband to Emily Wills; loved son to Sandra (the late Joseph) DeAndrea and the late Ralph; beloved brother to David (Nancy) and Todd (Teresa); dear uncle to Nicole (Chris) Berens, Amanda (Jake) Mohundro, Tommy, Michael, Nicholas and Tyler Wills; fond great-uncle to Emma Berens, Taylor Berens and Vincent Wills. Dan was a partner at the law firm Swanson, Martin and Bell in Chicago and a graduate of DePaul University and DePaul Law School. He was a lifelong Chicagoan, an avid reader, and enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his daughter Katie. Visitation Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 3 pm until 9 pm at Glueckert Funeral Home Ltd., 1520 N. Arlington Hts. Rd. (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd.), Arlington Hts, IL 60004. Visitation 10 am Thursday, September 13, 2018 until the 11 am Funeral Service at First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Hts., 302 North Dunton, Arlington Hts., IL 60004. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Make-A-Wish Foundation at wish.org. Funeral Information and condolences can be given at www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.



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Zell, Joan Osran

Joan Osran Zell, nee Polachek, 87, beloved wife of Blair Zell and the late Albert Osran; loving mother of Pamela (Jack) Kramer, Amy (Steven) Jacobs, Hadley (Nancy) Osran, Daniel (Ilene) Osran and Thomas (Cheryl) Osran; cherished Grammy of Abigail (Clark) Kopelman, Franklin Kramer, Elizabeth (Daniel) Silberman, Rebecca and Zachary Jacobs, Fannie, Jessica, Benjamin and Rachel Osran; treasured Great Grammy of Abraham Kopelman; adored mother of her four legged child, Nicky. Joan was a dedicated attorney and former social worker for many years. She had a deep passion for helping others, especially those on four legs. Chapel service Wednesday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Placing Paws of Libertyville. For information and condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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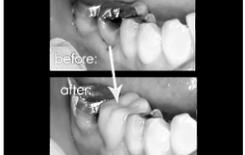
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IN THE INTEREST OF **Akairan Wylie**
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Khalilah Hussian AKA Hussain (Mother)**
JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00647**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Antwan Wylie (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 10, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Patrick Murphy** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/01/2018** at **11:30 AM** in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
September 11, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF **Blessing Carter**
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Jeanna Carter (Mother)**
JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00586**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Carmelo Last Name Unknown (Father), Any And All Unknown Fathers**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **June 22, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Griffin Maxwell** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/01/2018** at **9:30 AM** in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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September 11, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF **Jayden Holliness**
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Jamica Holliness (Mother)**
JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00351**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **La Shaun Anderson (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **April 13, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Andrea Buford** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/01/2018** at **9:30 AM** in CALENDAR 4 COURTROOM D, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF **Kiearre D Reese**
A MINOR
NO. **2018JD01446**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Cayettia Williams (Mother)**, respondents, and to **ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **August 31, 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 **10/24/2018** at **9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 52 COURTROOM 2,

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF **Nicholas Geigel**
A MINOR
NO. **2018JD01298**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Miguel Geigel (Father)**, respondents, and to **ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **August 10, 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 **09/24/2018** at **9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 58 COURTROOM 11,

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A MINOR
NO. **2018JD01298**

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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 **Olivia Moreno Aleah Artega**
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Ashley Burrow (Mother)**
JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00716 18JA00717**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Jose Moreno (Father) and Juan Artega (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 31, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Patrick Murphy** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/01/2018** at **11:45 AM** in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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IN THE INTEREST OF **Zyrihana Gates**
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Niesha Gates (Mother)**
JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00416**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Ladeway Knox (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **April 30, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Richard Stevens** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/01/2018** at **9:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Reality check: A 2nd-half wreck

Deflating loss to Packers leaves Trubisky, Bears offense searching for silver linings

GREEN BAY — Maybe you saw the first offensive play the Bears ran in the Matt Nagy era Sunday night. Three running backs in the backfield. Michael Burton next to Tarik Cohen next to Jordan Howard. Yes, that was indeed the T Formation, Nagy's subtle homage to the history of the NFL's charter franchise.

And maybe you drew belief from the first series the Bears put together against the rival Packers at Lambeau Field. Eighty-six yards in 10 plays, capped with quarterback Mitch Trubisky plunging into the end zone for an early touchdown.

And maybe you watched the next



DAN WIEDERER
On the Bears

Bears possession as well. Another long march. A beautiful deep ball from Trubisky to Allen Robinson for 33 yards. Another scoring drive, this one ending with a Cody Parkey field goal.

Man, this looked different. This offense looked fun. This looked like a young Bears team understanding its potential, like a group looking to chase the biggest of dreams that a hopeful football city has envisioned for it.

What could be better than a 20-point lead over the Packers? On the

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OPENING SHOT

Steve Rosenbloom

A day after the Bears' epic choke in Green Bay, rookie coach Matt Nagy said his team needs that "finish mentality." Like, say, running the ball on third-and-2 and fourth-and-2 deep in Packers territory to pretty much close the game when the rushing game was owning Green Bay? More Rosenbloom, **Page 2**

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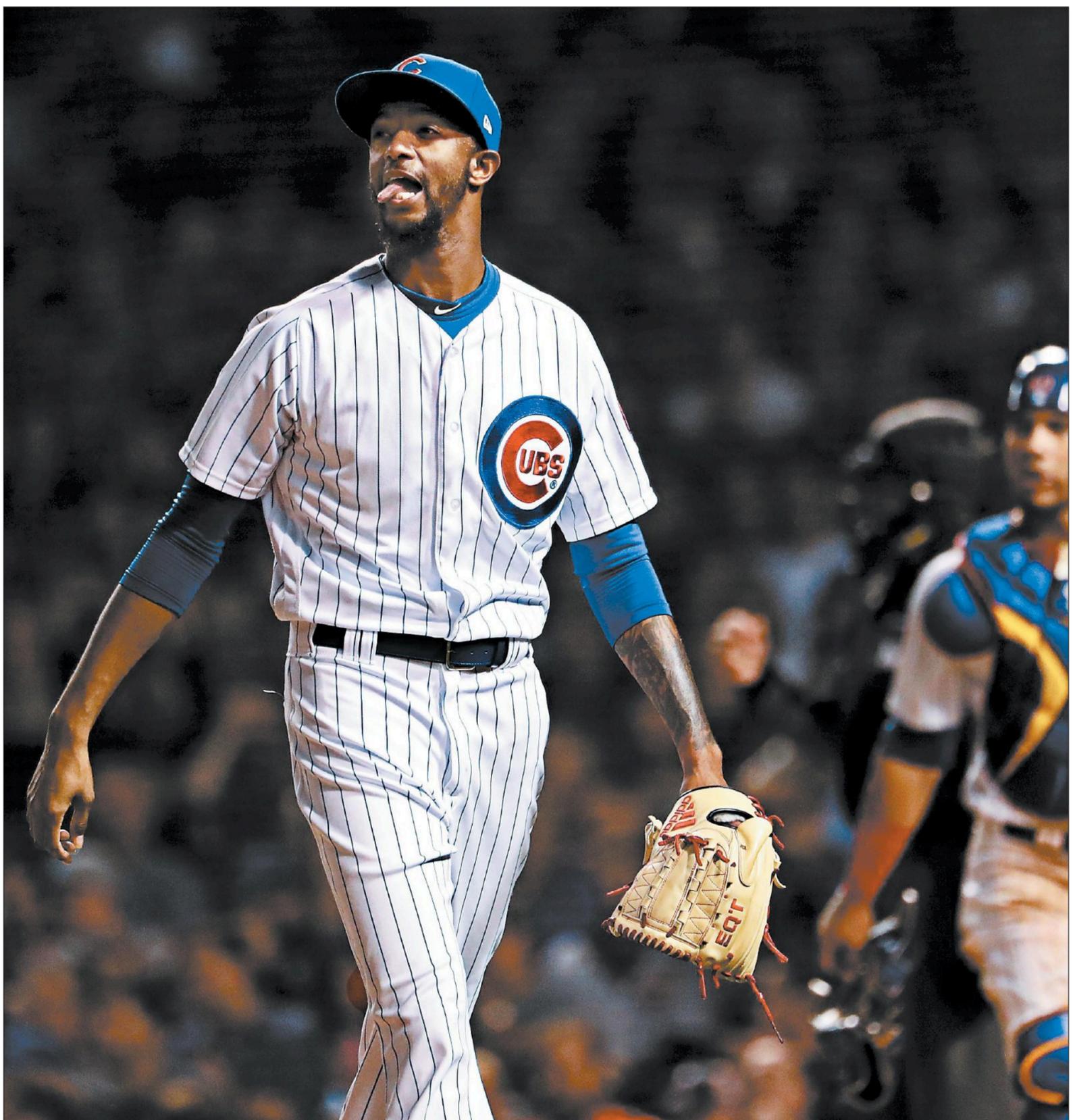
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Cubs reliever Carl Edwards Jr. walks off the mound after the Brewers' Mike Moustakas scores the go-ahead run on his wild pitch in the sixth inning Monday night at Wrigley Field.

BREWERS 3, CUBS 2

A shrinking feeling

With hurricane looming, MLB should reconsider Cubs-Nats makeup game

The Cubs can't complain or cry about the decision to postpone Sunday's game in Washington because of nonstop rain.

And they won't complain or cry about losing their day off and having to fly back to Washington on Thursday to play a late afternoon makeup game.

But they should complain and cry about Major League Baseball's decision to play in Washington with a potential Category 4 or 5 hurricane bearing down on the mid-Atlantic region.



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

Hurricane Florence is expected to hit land south of Washington, but playing dodgeball with a hurricane is the best-case scenario. The Cubs would have to get in town, get the game in and leave before the heavy rain and wind hits the area. They

worst-case scenario is they would spend even more time waiting out a rain delay, compounding the half-day rain delays from Friday through Sunday, and have the whole trip

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MORE COVERAGE
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Lester leaves with lower-back tightness as Brewers cut Cubs' lead to one game

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

With three weeks left in the season, Cubs President Theo Epstein declared this isn't the time to look for "trends and nitpick," especially with the Cubs trying to protect a shrinking National League Central lead entering Monday night's opener of a three-game series against the second-place Brewers.

"We're in a nice position to control your own destiny," Epstein said. "It's time to play. It doesn't matter if you're in a slump or walked a couple guys

your last time out. You show up with an opportunity to win important ballgames. That's enough to get you going."

Unfortunately for the Cubs, veteran left-hander Jon Lester couldn't finish the sixth inning because of lower-back tightness. Inconsistent reliever Carl Edwards Jr. threw his first pitch to the backstop and was late to cover home plate, allowing Mike Moustakas to score the go-ahead and eventual winning run as the Brewers held on to win 3-2 and cut the Cubs' lead to one game.

The lead is the Cubs' smallest

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TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLIOM

Blame Nagy for total gag job

Before Matt Nagy ended up looking and sounding bad and stupid at the end of Sunday night, it was all there for the rookie coach and the Bears, and all of it was on national TV for Football Nation to witness and fear.

The Bears walked into Lambeau Field and stuffed Aaron Rodgers on the first drive and then rolled over the bully Packers for a touchdown. Next series, a field goal raised the lead to 10-0.

While Rodgers looked like he was using last year's Bears offense, Mitch Trubisky looked like Rodgers — accurate, making the right reads, putting the ball where only his target could grab it, chewing up yardage, scoring points. It was a thing.

Meanwhile, there was Khalil Mack, the revelation of an attack unit acquired from the Raiders on Sept. 1, registering a sack, a forced fumble, a fumble recovery, an interception and a touchdown — and that was just in the first half, an NFL first. SEAL Team 52 was reporting for duty, sir.

After the first drive of the third quarter, the Bears were up 20-0 against their evil rival with Rodgers hobbled on a bad knee. Yes, it was all there for Nagy and the Bears.

And then they proceeded to choke away every bit of that lead because, imagine, they couldn't stop a guy who had to be carted off the field in the first half.

Packers 24, Bears 23.

How epic was this gag job? The Packers were 0-111 when entering the fourth quarter trailing by 17 points or more, according to ESPN.

That's the kind of soul-crushing loss that gets Bears coaches fired.

Nice start, son.

Nagy was outcoached when he wasn't trying to out-cute himself, and he was particularly awful when it came to managing the clock and the ball late in the game.

With the Bears' 20-point lead down to three in the final three minutes and the Packers out of timeouts, the Bears faced third-and-2 at the Packers 14. Jordan Howard had run for 27 yards on his previous two carries on the drive. On third down, the Bears passed. Incomplete. The clock stopped. What the ...?

Instead of running the ball on fourth down to gain a new series that could've ended the game — and even if it didn't, it certainly wouldn't have left Rodgers so much time — the Bears kicked a field goal



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Coach Matt Nagy's late-game clock management proved costly in the loss to the Packers.

that didn't put them up by a touchdown.

You have to give the ball to Howard there. You have to be able to get 2 yards. You have to be able to win the line of scrimmage. There was no need to try to get cute. Just play football. Why risk stopping the clock? The Bears didn't look like a team with 2,000 snaps since organized team activities. They didn't execute like a team that could afford to skip live game action in the preseason.

Earlier in the second half, Nagy called a pass play after Howard had gained 9 yards on first and second down, and on that critical third-down pass across the field, Dion Sims couldn't figure out he needed to get past the sticks to make any of it work. Was that covered in any of those 2,000 snaps since OTAs?

But wait. This is where stupid meets bad. Nagy's postgame explanation included the point that Bears starters didn't get a lot of snaps in the preseason.

Yes, and whose decision was that, Coach Nagy?

Galling. His team wasn't fit enough to compete, and he dares to bring up preseason snaps. Embarrassing.

It wasn't all Nagy. He could've used some help. Defensive coordinator Vic Fangio never found a way to beat the hob-

bled Rodgers' use of the no-huddle offense. Bears defensive linemen were fatigued and weak and unable to get off the field for a sub. Rodgers couldn't move, but he could carve up supposedly healthy Bears. Maybe they weren't in game shape because Nagy didn't let them play tackle football games in the preseason.

Nagy's players face-planted like Marc Trestman or John Fox was still here. Prince Amukamara got destroyed on one series. Kyle Fuller absolutely gagged what would've been a game-deciding interception two plays before Randall Cobb scored on a 75-yard pass play that in fact did decide the game. Mack didn't make the kind of play in the second half that the highest-paid defensive player is expected to make. Trubisky too often looked like his quarterback coach was Tyler Chatwood.

It was all there for Nagy and the Bears. A 20-point lead. A big road win against the biggest of rivals. A piece of first place in the division. A nationally televised coming-out party. Validation of the coaching change and the new, dynamic plan.

But no. Didn't happen. New coach, same pantsing.

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NBA

Deng to reunite with Thibodeau



During a long sit-down last season after the morning shootaround for a game he knew he wouldn't play in, Luol Deng emphasized how much he still has to

contribute.

Now he'll get that chance — with a familiar face to boot.

Deng, who reached his greatest heights under coach Tom Thibodeau as a two-time All-Star with the Bulls in the 2011-12 and 2012-13 seasons, has agreed to sign a one-year, minimum deal with Thibodeau's Timberwolves.

Deng recently completed a buyout from the Lakers, who put him on ice during a rebuilding effort after signing him to a four-year, \$72 million free-agent deal in 2016.

Deng averaged 16.1 points and 6.4 rebounds in nine-plus seasons with the Bulls but played in just one game last season with the Lakers.

"That's no question," Deng said without hesitation in the interview last season when asked if he still can contribute. "I'm not (sitting out) because I can't play. ... I know I can play."

In Minnesota, Deng will vie for backup minutes behind Jimmy Butler and Andrew Wiggins.

Butler consistently credited Deng and former Bulls assistant coach Adrian Griffin for showing him the work ethic it took to stick in the league during a difficult rookie season in which Butler didn't play much.

Deng, who will also reunite with Derrick Rose and Taj Gibson, alluded to the closeness of those teams during last season's interview.

"We're still very close," Deng said. "I talk to Jo (Noah). I talk to Derrick. All those guys on those teams, we're still a part of those days."

Deng, 33, sacrificed \$7.5 million of the roughly \$36 million remaining on his deal with the Lakers, who signed LeBron James during this offseason. Deng did so because he believes he still can play.

—K.C. Johnson

'You wake up ... and go, "What the hell?"'

NBC's Michaels, Collinsworth surprised like everybody else



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On media

The Bears-Packers "Sunday Night Football" opener might have been the most insidious promo ever for NBC's fall "Chicago Med," "Chicago Fire" and "Chicago P.D." Wednesday prime-time lineup.

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers was carted off, injured. The Bears appeared on fire, but ultimately the game was stolen by a one-legged man in Rodgers' jersey.

At the very least, the Bears' 20-0 lead becoming a 24-23 loss was one for '70s NBC detective Banacek's casebook, not so much a whodunit but a what-the ... and how?

Al Michaels and Cris Collinsworth — normally seen-it-all "SNF" announcers — seemed at a loss for superlatives for Rodgers (certainly exhausting their supply of the word "heroic").

And they couldn't stop saying the Packers' resurrection was "stunning" even as they conceded it had happened many times before.

"Look, if you went to bed at halftime, it's 17-nothing," Michaels said. "You're thinking Green Bay looks terrible. Chicago looks great. Rodgers is done for the night, maybe longer. You wake up in the morning and go, 'What the hell?'"

What indeed.

Too soon to know: "This would set the Chicago Bears back a hundred years," Collinsworth said of a possible loss after the Bears staked themselves to the big lead. "There's no way they can lose this game, no way."

Collinsworth's best line: "When Khalil Mack hit Aaron Rodgers, it was the most expensive collision in NFL history."

Discuss among yourselves: Is Michaels' and Collinsworth's affection for Rodgers equal to, less than or greater than John Madden's affection for Brett Favre?

Fact check: "Hey! Hey!" was Jack Brickhouse's go-to line, not Harry Caray's.



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Mitch Trubisky wasn't the only one stunned Sunday. Cris Collinsworth said a loss "would set the Chicago Bears back a hundred years."

Pronunciation guide: It's Tarik Cohen (rhymes with Owen), not Tarik Cone (as in wrong).

Too easy, maybe, but it was just sitting there: "This is Willis Reed," said Michaels, comparing Rodgers' return with an injured knee to the Knicks' hobbled Reed suiting up in Game 7 of the 1970 NBA Finals, contributing four points and three rebounds.

That sigh of relief you hear: ESPN executives have to be relieved the 2018 Bears look a bit livelier — even in a loss that supposedly might set back the franchise to before its inception as the Decatur Staleys — seeing as how they play host to the Seahawks next week on "Monday Night Football."

It's a small world, after all: Didn't know Disney Chairman and CEO Bob Iger was a Packer backer until Monday morning, when he tweeted: *Die hard @packers fan since 1960 & last night was certainly a night of extremes...from depression to elation! Here's to @AaronRodgers12!*

Ratings game: The Bears weren't the only ones to suffer a loss Sunday night.

The Bears-Packers game was the highest-rated prime-time program in the overnight Nielsen ratings since adult-film actress Stormy Daniels' appearance on "60 Minutes" in March, and it marked a 7 percent improvement on NBC's broadcast of the Falcons-Eagles NFL opener Thursday.

It also was the Bears' highest-rated regular-season game in the Chicago market since 2013.

But the overnight rating culled from the nation's top TV markets (not including Pittsburgh, which has been delayed) was down 9 percent from last season's Cowboys-Giants "Sunday Night Football" opener, and it was 3 percent off the 2016 Patriots-Cardinals curtain-raiser.

Bears-Packers averaged a 14.4 overnight household rating and 25 percent share of the viewing audience in the top markets despite its lopsided first half.

NBC's total viewership, including live-streaming, will be available later.

While NBC suffered a dip, CBS and Fox NFL game coverage enjoyed an improved opening Sunday from last season.

CBS had its best opening NFL single-header overnight rating in three years, averaging a 10.6 household rating and 22 percent audience share in the metered markets, 23 percent higher than a year ago.

Fox averaged an 8.8 rating on its regional broadcasts, up 5 percent from 2017. Its national game, which was Panthers-Cowboys in most markets, averaged 15.7, a 1 percent improvement.

The Bears-Packers overnight ratings peaked nationally in the 10:15-10:30 quarter-hour at 15.4 and a 30 percent share as the Packers completed their comeback to win.

Locally, the ratings — like the Bears — peaked earlier, around 9:45 p.m. The telecast averaged a 35.3 household rating (representing about 1.16 million Chicago-area homes with TVs) and 55 percent of all the homes in the market watching something Sunday night.

The Milwaukee market was more focused. The game averaged a 49.6 household rating and 71 percent share.

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CUBS NOTES

Morrow, Heyward on the mend

By MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

With virtually no margin for error, closer Brandon Morrow and outfielder Jason Heyward took small strides toward rejoining the Cubs before the end of the regular season.

"I'm fine," Morrow said Monday, one day after throwing a light bullpen session and before he went to play catch. "So far, so good. I didn't wake up feeling terrible. It's good."

Heyward, who hasn't played since suffering a Grade 1 strain of his right hamstring on Aug. 30, ran outside for the first time under the supervision of the Cubs medical staff. He has continued to play catch and take batting practice.

Heyward declined to set a target date for his return.

"I'm just saying I'll do everything necessary to be smart about it, but I plan on playing baseball," Heyward said. "Nothing set me back. Everything is good there, but I have to do everything for them to clear me and for me to clear myself."

"It's too late in the year for me to have any setbacks."

Cubs President Theo Epstein expressed optimism that both players would return, even in the case of Morrow, who hasn't pitched since July 13 because of a bone bruise on his right forearm.

"He signed here to pitch in October, and he's obviously a weapon," Epstein said. "Right now, there's plenty of time to get him multiple appearances in the regular season if things continue to trend the right way."

Unfortunately for left-hander Drew Smyly, the Cubs shut down his attempt to return 14 months after undergoing Tommy John surgery.

Smyly pitched a scoreless inning for Class A South Bend on a minor league rehab assignment 10 days ago and threw in a few simulated games.

But Cubs officials felt Smyly ran out of time because they wanted Smyly to throw in more game situations instead of simulated games, and the minor-league season ended last week.

Also, the Cubs would have needed to make room for him on their 40-man roster.

"We wanted him to have a normal offseason," Epstein said. "He's been rehabbing for a long, long time. We wanted him to have the benefit of rest and a full winter to come back."

Montgomery slated for Thursday: The Cubs were victims of two rainouts in Washington last weekend, but manager Joe Maddon didn't lose his sense of humor when asked if he's no longer wet.

"I'm going through mold remediation right now," Maddon said Monday.

If the Cubs actually play Sunday's postponed game on Thursday, left-hander Mike Montgomery said he was confident to be ready to pitch against the Nationals, who likely will send ace Max Scherzer to the mound.



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Jason Heyward hopes to return to the Cubs before the end of the regular season, but he does not have a target date.



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Trainer PJ Mainville talks with starter Jon Lester after he leaves the game in the sixth.

Race tightens up

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since the morning of Aug. 6.

"It's all through the lens you look at," second baseman Daniel Murphy said of the Cubs' shrinking lead. "We got (19) games left, and we have a one-game lead. I think a lot of people would have taken that."

Brewers left-hander Josh Hader dampened the Cubs' outlook for a comeback, striking out all six batters he faced — including Kris Bryant, Anthony Rizzo and Javier Baez — in the seventh and eighth innings, using only 24 pitches.

The Cubs put the tying run on second with two out in the ninth, but Jeremy Jeffress struck out pinch-hitter Tommy La Stella to end the game.

Meanwhile, Lester's ailment was described as a spasm that shouldn't sideline him.

"I think it will be fine, hopefully," said Lester, who said the discomfort initially surfaced shortly after an at-bat earlier in the game. "It's not anything painful, just uncomfortable."

Edwards' failure to stabilize the situation was the latest in a series of recent shortcomings for the Cubs as they try not to dwell on the possibility of returning to Washington on Thursday after the rescheduling of Sunday's rainout.

Lester rebounded after allowing five hits in the first two innings, but he hopped briefly after delivering a third strike to Jonathan Schoop for the second out of the sixth. Lester received medical attention but stayed in the game, only to allow a single to Moustakas and a double to Erik Kratz before he left with trainer PJ Mainville.

After the wild pitch, Edwards issued a four-pitch walk to light-hitting Orlando Arcia before finishing the inning with a strikeout of pinch-hitter Curtis Granderson.

"We did get the one out, we just had a wild pitch and all of a sudden the run scores," manager Joe Maddon said. "We need to get Carl straightened out. The symmetry of the bullpen is different without him out there."

"His skill set is important to us. We got to get him right."

It was the latest in a series of stumbles for Edwards, who has walked five in 1 2/3 innings in his last four outings.

THE BOX SCORE										
MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Cain cf	5	1	4	0	0	.311				
Yelich rf-1b	4	0	1	0	1	.315				
Aguilar 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.273				
Broxton rf	0	0	0	0	0	.188				
Braun lf	3	0	0	0	1	.254				
Shaw 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.242				
Schoop 2b	2	0	0	1	1	.237				
Moustakas 3b	3	2	2	0	0	.253				
Kratz c	4	2	2	0	1	.250				
Arcia ss	3	0	1	1	1	.217				
Miley p	2	0	0	0	2	.208				
a-Granderson ph	1	0	0	0	1	.246				
Burnes p	0	0	0	0	0	—				
Hader p	0	0	0	0	0	.500				
d-Santana ph	1	0	1	0	0	.250				
Jeffress p	0	0	0	0	0	—				
TOTALS	33	3	11	2	9					
CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Murphy 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.297				
Bryant lf	3	1	1	1	1	.277				
Rizzo 1b	4	0	0	1	1	.282				
Baez 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.293				
Zobrist rf	4	0	2	0	0	.314				
Almora cf	4	0	1	1	1	.291				
Contreras c	3	1	1	0	0	.500				
1-Gore pr	1	0	0	0	0	.109				
Lester p	2	0	0	0	0	.000				
Edwards Jr. p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
Chavez p	0	0	0	0	0	.239				
b-Schwarber ph	1	0	0	0	1	.245				
c-Boie ph	0	0	0	0	0	.167				
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
Wilson p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
Kintzler p	0	0	0	0	0	.000				
e-La Stella ph	1	0	0	0	1	.272				
Russell ss	2	0	0	0	2	.255				
TOTALS	30	2	5	2	9					

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a-struck out for Miley in the 6th, b-pinch hit for Chavez in the 7th, c-struck out for Schwarber in the 7th, d-single for Hader in the 9th, e-struck out for Kintzler in the 9th, 1-ran for Contreras in the 9th, E: Miley (1), LOB: Milwaukee 9, Cubs 6, 2B: Moustakas (31), Kratz (5), Bryant (24), Contreras (25), RBIs: Schoop (59), Arcia (24), Bryant (46), Rizzo (92), SB: Arcia (6), Gore (5), CS: Yelich (4), SF: Schoop, Bryant, Runners left in scoring position: Milwaukee 4 (Yelich, Arcia, Granderson 2), Cubs 3 (Rizzo, Almora, La Stella), RISP: Milwaukee 1 for 6; Cubs 0 for 5, Runners moved up: Kratz, Rizzo, Lester, GDP: Aguilar 2, Almora, DP: Milwaukee 1 (Moustakas, Schoop, Aguilar); Cubs 2 (Baez, Murphy, Rizzo), (Russell, Rizzo).

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Miley, W, 4-2	5	4	2	2	3	1	2.23
Burnes, H, 2	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.79
Hader, H, 20	2	0	0	0	0	6	2.08
Jeffress, S, 11-16	1	0	0	0	1	2	1.41
CUBS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lester, L, 15-6	5 2/3	8	3	3	2	7	3.57
Edwards Jr.	1/3	0	0	0	1	1	2.31
Chavez	1	1	0	0	0	0	2.85
Cishek	1	1	0	0	1	1	2.23
Wilson	2	1	0	0	1	0	2.96
Kintzler	3/3	0	0	0	0	0	4.45
e-La Stella	0	0	0	0	0	0	6.75

Inherited runners scored: Edwards Jr. 2-1, Kintzler 2-0. WP: Edwards Jr., Umpires: H, Gary Cederstrom; 1B, Eric Cooper; 2B, Cory Blaser; 3B, Stu Scheurwater. Time: 3:19. A: 38,471 (41,649).

The wild pitch also stalled some of the momentum the Cubs built as they heeded Epstein's theme of concentrating on the present and forgetting about past failures.

Before the game, Maddon said he couldn't recall being involved in a stretch of 30 days without a scheduled day off as the Cubs are facing.

"Not even as a fence installer, a hoagie maker, a limo driver," Maddon quipped. "I've never gone 30 in a row."

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MLB should make right call on makeup game

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go for naught.

"It's on the schedule, but obviously the biggest story in the country right now is the hurricane," Cubs President Theo Epstein said before Monday's game against the Brewers. "And we wish everyone the best in terms of safety. So we're just going to keep an eye on it. Common sense will prevail I'm sure."

If common sense prevails, that suggests MLB will not ask two teams to play a game in a city with a hurricane approaching.

"The things we can control internally, we're taking a look at to see what we can do to make things more manageable," Epstein said. "As far as the makeup game itself, that's an MLB issue."

Epstein said the Cubs have no say in MLB's decision.

"Our voices have certainly been heard," he said. "But we don't have any control."

Of course, it would be much easier for MLB to simply schedule the Cubs-Nationals game for the day after the season ends and then cancel it if it has no implications in the National League playoff race or for best record. But that would be too easy.

"That would be optimal if we could do that," manager Joe Maddon said. "I know what the rules are. But even when you get a day off when you get rained out, it's really not a day off. People have to understand that. Your motor is still running. ... Of course for us, the better outcome would be the game would not be played, possibly.

But if it is, we're going to be there."

The Cubs could also ask to change Friday's game time to give them more rest returning home, but so far that hasn't been pushed, Maddon said.

If they don't cancel the makeup game, switching it to a day game in Chicago — or even in Milwaukee if the Nationals are worried about giving the Cubs home-field advantage — makes sense. It's not unprecedented, and it's obviously doable.

Last year MLB switched a mid-September Marlins-Brewers series from Miami to Milwaukee because of Hurricane Irma and an Astros-Rangers series to Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg, Fla., because of Hurricane Harvey.

In 2004 officials moved a Marlins home game against the Cubs to Wrigley Field because of Hurricane Frances and a pair of home games against the Expos to U.S. Cellular Field because of Hurricane Ivan.

The Cubs and Astros relocated from Houston's Minute Maid Park to Milwaukee's Miller Park in 2008 because of Hurricane Ike, playing a Sunday night game that resulted in Carlos Zambrano's no-hitter. The teams played another game that Monday and the third game was canceled, leaving both with 161 games that season.

The Nationals are in Philadelphia on Wednesday. Rain is expected there most of the week, and Monday night's game was postponed and will be made up as part of a doubleheader Tuesday. They would have to fly to Chicago (or perhaps Milwaukee) for a makeup game Thursday, then fly

south to Atlanta to start a weekend series against the Braves.

The Cubs are home all week, so they would be set if they played at home or at a nearby venue.

Maybe the Brewers, Cardinals, Braves, Dodgers, Rockies and Diamondbacks would complain and cry, but so be it.

The best option would be no game at all. After cursing the rain all weekend, the Cubs might want to pray for rain Thursday to get out of going to Washington.

"If the weather cooperates, maybe we get that day off," Epstein said. "I don't mean to be glib. We don't want anyone to suffer at all in the hurricane. But if it's raining in D.C. on Thursday and we get that day off, it would be nice for our guys to get a well-earned off day."

Hopefully common sense prevails and MLB makes the right call. But what are the odds of that? Officials made the wrong call Friday by starting a game in Washington when they knew it would be delayed by showers after a couple of innings.

It would be nice if MLB could focus on the great races in the NL and not making sure everyone plays a 162-game schedule.

"There's 20 games left," Epstein said. "We're in a really nice position and control our own destiny. How many clichés do you want? It's time to play."

And Thursday should be time to take a day off.

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WHITE SOX

Young pen gets chance to flourish

Rebuild gives hard throwers crucial on-the-job training

By PHIL ROGERS | Chicago Tribune

There's no formal timeline to the White Sox's rebuilding process, but some markers present themselves along the way.

One of those is the type of arms in the bullpen churn.

The Sox have used 35 relievers the last two seasons, thanks in part to a series of midseason trades involving established pitchers David Robertson, Anthony Swarzak, Tommy Kahnle and Joakim Soria, among others. They imported a minivan load of inexpensive veterans last July including Danny Farquhar, Chris Volstad and Al Alburquerque. This time they are using the end of the season to give auditions to potential members of future bullpens.

The Sox lost their sixth game in a row in interesting fashion, falling 4-3 in 10 innings when reliever Jeanmar Gomez overthrew third base after fielding a sacrifice bunt by Alcides Escobar and trying to retire Brian Goodwin at third. Goodwin, who had led off the inning with a double, scored to end the game. Lucas Giolito allowed three runs in seven innings for the Sox, who got home runs from Daniel Palka and Adam Engel.

As for the future of the bullpen, left-hander Jace Fry, who has been around since early May, has been joined by fellow lefties Aaron Bummer and Caleb Frare and right-handers Thyago Vieira, Ryan Burr, Ian Hamilton and Jose Ruiz. All are 25 or younger and this season have thrown fastballs in the mid-90s, with Vieira, Hamilton and Ruiz flirting with triple digits.

"The young guys are throwing 95-plus and have good breaking balls," Fry, 25, said. "It just comes down to an execution game. How many times can you execute the pitch you need to?"

The Sox are likely to add some veteran arms in the offseason, although they may hold on to 30-year-olds Gomez and Hector Santiago. Nate Jones, 32, who has battled injuries since he joined the Sox in 2012, has a team option to return.

Fry points out the value of having experienced relievers alongside the promising young hurlers.

"They benefit highly from talking with Gomez and Hector (Santiago) because they're throwing the ball well right now," Fry said.

Fry, a third-round pick in 2014 from Oregon State, is an outlier. The others were either drafted in the 11th round or lower (Hamilton and Bummer), claimed on waivers (Ruiz, from the Padres) or acquired in trades for international signing money (Vieira from the Mariners, Burr from the Diamondbacks and Frare from the Yankees).

They appreciate the chance they're getting to showcase their skills. They also know they must seize this moment, because many more talented arms are coming in the Sox farm system.

"Everybody wants to get on this train and kind of put their stamp on it, per se," Burr said after being promoted from Triple-A Charlotte. "There's so much talent."

Inconsistency in almost always part of the process. The Sox saw that Sunday, when the Angels struck quickly against Hamilton and Frare after Reynaldo Lopez threw six shut-out innings and exited with a scoreless tie. Then there was the 12-3 loss to the Angels on Saturday, when Fry and Vieira combined to allow six runs in the ninth.

Vieira couldn't find catcher Kevan Smith's mitt, throwing three wild pitches. He would have had a fourth, but one fastball to the screen caromed back to Smith, who tagged the Angels' Taylor Ward sliding into home plate.

When you have young relievers with arms like these you have building blocks, not place-holders. That's a sign of progress.

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THE BOX SCORE										
WHITE SOX	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Moncada 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.225				
Sanchez 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.251				
Abreu 1b	4	1	3	0	0	.276				
Narvaez dh	4	0	0	0	1	.274				
Delmonico lf	4	0	0	0	1	.211				
Castillo c	4	0	1	0	0	.245				
Anderson ss	4	0	0	0	2	.247				
Engel cf	4	1	1	1	0	.234				
TOTALS	36	3	8	3	8					
KANSAS CITY	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Merrifield 2b	4	1	1	1	0	.301				
Mondesi ss	3	0	0	0	2	.266				
Gordon lf	4	0	2	0	1	.241				
Dozier dh	4	0	1	0	1	.233				
O'Hearn 1b	4	1	1	1	0	.263				
Perez c	4	0	1	0	0	.233				
Bonifacio rf	4	1	0	0	0	.234				
Goodwin 3b	4	1	2	0	1	.245				
Escobar cf	2	0	0	2	0	.219				
TOTALS	33	4	8	4	5					

WHITE SOX 003 000 000 0-3 8 0
Kansas City 110 001 000 1-4 8 0

No outs when winning run scored. LOB: Sox 3, Kansas City 5, 2B: Castillo (6), Gordon (20), Goodwin (4), 3B: Dozier (4), HR: Engel (6), off Junis: Palka (22), off Junis: Merrifield (12), off Giolito: O'Hearn (10), off Giolito. RBIs: Palka 2 (57), Engel (28), Merrifield (53), O'Hearn (24), Escobar 2 (30), SB: Gordon (10), CS: Mondesi (5), S: Escobar. Runners left in scoring position: Sox 1 (Narvaez); Kansas City 3 (Gordon, O'Hearn 2), RISP: Sox 0 for

BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

Table with columns: NATIONAL LEAGUE TEAM, PITCHER, TIME, 2018 TEAM W-L, ERA, REC, LAST 5 STARTS W-L, IP, ERA.

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RESULTS, SCHEDULE

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NL LEADERS

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ASTROS 3, TIGERS 2

An 'emotional' return for Verlander

Associated Press
DETROIT — Justin Verlander knew this would be one of the most emotional games of his major-league career.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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ASTROS 3, TIGERS 2

An 'emotional' return for Verlander

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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ASTROS 3, TIGERS 2

An 'emotional' return for Verlander

before it started, but once it started playing, I had to watch." Verlander received his first ovation at the end of the video, and another when he came out for the first inning.

WILD CARD

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ASTROS 3, TIGERS 2

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AROUND THE HORN

■ Dodgers: The cardiologist treating All-Star closer Kenley Jansen is certain that he will undergo another procedure on his heart about two weeks after the season ends.

■ Rays, Indians: Ji-Man Choi hit a two-run HR off Brad Hand with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, and the Rays beat the Indians 6-5 to set a team record with their 12th straight home victory.

■ Yankees: OF Aaron Judge, on the DL since July 27 with a wrist fracture, took batting practice on the field before the Yankees' 7-2 victory over the Twins in Minneapolis.

REDS 10, DODGERS 6

Table with columns: LOS ANGELES, AB, R, H, BI, SO, AVG.

RAYS 6, INDIANS 5

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CARDINALS 8, PIRATES 7

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ROCKIES 13, DIAMONDBACKS 2

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YANKEES 7, TWINS 2

Table with columns: NEW YORK, AB, R, H, BI, SO, AVG.

BRAVES 4, GIANTS 1

Table with columns: ATLANTA, AB, R, H, BI, SO, AVG.

LOS ANGELES

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CLEVELAND

Table with columns: Lindor ss, Turner 1b, Ramirez 3b.

PITTSBURGH

Table with columns: Frazier rf, Marte cf, Bell lb.

ARIZONA

Table with columns: Pollock cf, Brice ph-rf, Escobar 3b.

NEW YORK

Table with columns: McCutchen rf, Stanton dh, Gregorius ss.

PITTSBURGH

Table with columns: Frazier rf, Marte cf, Bell lb.

RANGERS 5, ANGELS 2

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ATTENDANCE

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RELIEVERS

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LOS ANGELES

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RAYS 6, INDIANS 5

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CARDINALS 8, PIRATES 7

Table with columns: Wainwright 5f, Shreve 1b, Beeks 2b.

ROCKIES 13, DIAMONDBACKS 2

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YANKEES 7, TWINS 2

Table with columns: Mauer 1b, Forsythe 2b, Grossman rf.

BRAVES 4, GIANTS 1

Table with columns: Slater rf, Belt 1b, Longoria 3b.

Extra innings

Cardinals C Yadier Molina was out of the lineup for the fourth straight game due to hamstring tightness.

Shining moment

Cubs fan Stefan Xidas belts out the "Team-Spangled Banner" before Monday's game against the Brewers at Wrigley Field.

AROUND THE HORN

Cardinals 8, Pirates 7: Cardinals' pitcher Wainwright struck out 10 batters in his first game since being traded to the Pirates.

Shining moment

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AROUND THE HORN

Yankees 7, Twins 2: Yankees' pitcher Jacob deGrom struck out 10 batters in his first game since being traded to the Yankees.

Shining moment

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CALENDAR

TEAM	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
							SEA 7:15 ESPN AM-780
	MIL 7:05 WGN-9 AM-670	MIL 7:05 ABC-7 AM-670	@WAS 3:05 NBCSCH AM-670	CIN 1:20 WGN-9 AM-670	CIN 3:05 NBCSCH AM-670	CIN 1:20 ABC-7 AM-670	@ARI 8:40 WGN-9 AM-670
	@KC 7:15 NBCSCH AM-720	@KC 7:15 NBCSCH AM-720	@BAL 6:05 NBCSCH AM-720	@BAL 6:05 WGN-9 AM-720	@BAL 12:05 NBCSCH AM-720		
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TUESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB	7 p.m.	7:05 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
	Pirates at Cardinals	Brewers at Cubs	White Sox at Royals
	MLBN	WGN-9, WSCR-AM 670	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720

SOCCER

1:30 p.m.	UEFA Nations League, Croatia at Spain	ESPN2
7:30 p.m.	Men's friendly, Mexico at U.S.	ESPN

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AT THE BRICKYARD

Indianapolis Motor Speedway,

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1. Brad Keselowski	F	160	49
2. Erik Jones	T	160	44
3. Denny Hamlin	F	160	42
4. Kevin Harvick	F	160	33
5. Clint Bowyer	F	160	31
6. Kurt Busch	F	160	46
7. Jamie McMurray	C	160	30
8. Kyle Busch	T	160	35
9. Paul Menard	T	160	31
10. Ryan Newman	C	160	29
11. Ryan Blaney	F	160	26
12. Matt Kenseth	F	160	35
13. Joey Logano	C	160	31
14. Kyle Larson	C	160	30
15. Chase Elliott	C	160	33
16. Jimmie Johnson	C	160	22
17. Michael McDowell	F	160	20
18. Daniel Suarez	T	160	24
19. William Byron	C	160	21
20. Regan Smith	C	160	17
21. Ty Dillon	C	160	16
22. Austin Dillon	C	160	15
23. Eric Almirola	F	159	18
24. David Ragan	C	160	31
25. Chris Buescher	C	158	12
26. Ross Chastain	C	158	0
27. Corey LaJoie	C	158	10
28. Reed Sorenson	C	158	9
29. JJ Yeley	T	157	0
30. BJ McLeod	F	157	0
31. Lance Castell	C	150-a	0
32. Jeffrey Earnhardt	T	150-a	0
33. Alex Bowman	C	142	4
34. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	F	136-e	3
35. Timmy Hill	T	124-f	0
36. Matt DiBenedetto	F	89-r	1
37. AJ Allmendinger	C	66-a	1
38. Bubba Wallace	C	57-a	1
39. David Starr	T	57-a	1
40. Martin Truex Jr.	T	41-b	1

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

White Sox: Assigned RHP Tyler Danish

outright to Charlotte (IL). Reinstated 1B

Jose Abreu from the 10-day DL.

Detroit: Transferred RHP Artie Lewicki to

the 60-day DL.

Kansas City: Reinstated RHP Ian Ken-

nedy from the 10-day DL.

Texas: Activated OF-1B Ryan Rua from

the 10-day DL. Assigned RHP Chris Row-

ley outright to Round Rock (PCL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh: Assigned LHP Buddy Bos-

herer outright to Indianapolis (IL).

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Cleveland: Re-signed F Rodney Hood.

Minnesota: Signed F Luol Deng to a one-

year contract.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Minnesota: Placed OT Aviante Collins on

injured reserve. Signed G Bryan Whit-

mann.

New England: Released WR Chad

Hansen and WR Riley McCarron. Placed

RB Jeremy Hill on injured reserve.

Tennessee: Placed TE Delanie Walker on

injured reserve. Signed TE MyCole Pruitt

from Houston's practice squad.

ARENA FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Washington: Promoted interim coach

Benji McDowell to head coach.

HOCKEY

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Grand Rapids: Named Zach Buck ticket

operations manager.

San Antonio: Named Brian McCormack

director of broadcasting.

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

L.A. Galaxy: Announced the resignation

of coach Sigi Schmid. Named Dominic

Kinneer interim coach.

CONCOLLEGE (Ore.): Named Adam Riddle

track and field throwers coach.

Fisk: Named Kerry Anderson men's

basketball coach.

NYIT: Named Evan Conti men's assistant

basketball coach.

WNBA FINALS

SEATTLE 2, WASHINGTON 0

G1: Sept. 7; Seattle 89, Washington 73

G2: Sept. 9; Seattle 75, Washington 73

G3: Wednesday, at Washington, 7

x-64 Friday, at Washington, 7

x-65 Sunday, at Seattle, 7

(x-if necessary; best-of-5)

REGULAR SEASON CHAM: Kyle Busch

DID NOT QUALIFY FOR CHASE:

Ryan Newman (532); Paul Menard (524)

Rodgers

The Packers reviewed Sunday night's thrilling 24-23

win over the Bears, in which Rodgers threw

three touchdown passes in the fourth quarter

after returning from the injury.

The Packers return to the practice field Wednes-

day, when the first injury report for Week 2 is due.

"We do have some information, and no decision

has been made," said McCarthy, who added he did

not think it would take the whole week to determine

Rodgers' availability.

Rodgers left in the second quarter against the

Bears on a cart after slipping to the turf during a

sack and reaching back for the back of his left leg.

But he was cleared to return at halftime and came

back out for the Packers' first series of the third quarter.

"It was going to have to take something really cata-

strophic injury-wise to keep me off the field in the

second half," Rodgers said after the game.

Darnold picks it up: Sam Darnold made a stellar

debut despite throwing a pick-six on his first NFL

pass, and the Jets intercepted five passes while

routing the host Lions 48-17.

The 21-year-old Darnold became the youngest

quarterback to start a season opener since the 1970

AFL-NFL merger, and he got off to an inauspicious

start. Quandre Diggs intercepted his ill-advised lob

down the left sideline on the first play from scrim-

mage and returned it 37 yards for a touchdown 20

seconds into the game.

The former USC star shook off the rough start by

completing 16 of 21 passes for 198 yards and two

touchdowns.

Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford threw

four interceptions and left the game briefly in the

third quarter after being hit from the front and back.

He was taken out of the game midway through the

fourth quarter and replaced by Matt Cassel with the

Lions down 31.

The Jets dominated in all phases. They scored 31

straight in the third quarter to pull away.

Extra points: Three-time Pro Bowl TE Delanie

Walker will have surgery on his right ankle in the

next few days, and Titans coach Mike Vrabel said the

team will decide if the veteran might be able to

return later this season. The Titans placed Walker

on injured reserve and signed TE MyCole Pruitt

off the Texans' practice squad. ... The Seahawks are

still waiting to learn the severity of the injury to WR

Doug Baldwin's right knee. Baldwin sprained his MCL

in Sunday's loss to the Broncos. ... Bills coach Sean

McDermott declined to indicate whether he will

make a switch at quarterback on opening-day

starter Nathan Peterman to rookie Josh Allen. Peter-

man was 5 of 18 for 24 yards with two inter-

ceptions and a QB rating of 0.0 before getting pulled

in a loss to the Ravens.

turning from a leg injury that kept him out against

WIU. That offered hope that Smalling could be

available Saturday against South Florida at Soldier

Field.

The Illini (2-0) also hope to welcome back quar-

terback AJ Bush Jr., who left the 34-14 victory over

WIU in the first quarter with a hamstring injury.

The 6-foot-3 Carter, a three-star recruit from

Jacksonville, Fla., did not play in Week 1 but made

a promising debut against the Leathernecks. He

caught second-quarter touchdown passes of 16 and

18 yards from fellow freshman M.L.J. Rivers II to

give the Illini a lead.

On the second score, however, Carter took a hit

to the knees, spun in the air and landed on his head.

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BEARS



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Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky was quick to scramble Sunday night against the Packers. Trubisky ran seven times for 32 yards.

BEARS REWIND

Two quick reactions

Trubisky a bit too fast to abandon pass game; Mack a Pack nightmare

BY BRAD BIGGS | Chicago Tribune

Matt Nagy pledged an aggressive approach across the board, the kind of pedal-down approach that is en vogue after his friend Doug Pederson led the Eagles to a Super Bowl title, so with the Bears facing fourth-and-4 from the Packers' 37-yard line midway through the second quarter, it was a no-brainer.

Nagy decided not to send kicker Cody Parkey out for a 55-yard field-goal attempt with the Bears leading 10-0. Parkey after all had missed two long field-goal tries in the preseason. Nagy wasn't going to punt either. Go for it.

Mitch Trubisky took the snap against a three-man rush and after 1.8 seconds he dropped his eyes and started moving to the right before running into right tackle Bobby Massie and fumbling. It wasn't exactly a butt fumble, but it was a self-created turnover on downs.

The Bears were still rolling and took a 20-0 lead with 9 minutes, 14 seconds remaining in the third quarter. At that point, Trubisky had completed 18 of 21 attempts for 142 yards. But the offense, which racked up 146 yards on its first two possessions, was scuffling.

It proved to be an omen as Trubisky struggled in the pocket, taking his eyes off receivers downfield with chances to pad the lead once the Packers got going with Aaron Rodgers. Trubisky gained 32 yards on seven carries, scoring on a 2-yard keeper and gaining 3 yards on a nice quarterback sweep, but at times he was too quick to abandon passes. He dropped his eyes on what turned into a sack for Mike Daniels on a scramble for no gain.

Trubisky locked on to rookie Anthony Miller running a drag route on third-and-2 from the Packers' 14-yard line with 2:47 remaining. Miller didn't have proper depth and would have been unlikely to get the first down if he caught the pass. In the flat, running back Tarik Cohen was running a wheel route against 6-foot-3, 261-pound outside linebacker Reggie Gilbert. It would have required a nice throw, but Cohen is a mismatch on Gilbert on any route, and Trubisky didn't go there.

There were rushed throws on the final



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Bears linebacker Khalil Mack closes in on Aaron Rodgers in the fourth quarter.

possession when the Bears needed a field goal to go ahead. Trubisky panicked and threw high over Cohen in the flat and didn't use touch on a sideline route to Allen Robinson. There was a throw behind tight end Trey Burton on third down.

After the hot start, or accurate start anyway, Trubisky completed only 5 of 14 passes for 29 yards. His legs are an asset and give him the ability to extend plays, but he can't be too quick to be on the move and needs to have a better feel for the pocket. Robinson (seven) and Burton (six) need more targets with the quarterback running less. He needed to challenge the Packers' young defensive backs more. They're not proven. Go right at them.

Mack attack: The Packers went with a bold plan to protect against outside linebacker Khalil Mack, largely singling right tackle Bryan Bulaga up on him. It cost the Packers on a series of plays in the first half. Mack produced a strip-sack, created the pressure that led to Rodgers' injury on a hit by Roy Robertson-Harris, flushed Rodgers out for a sack by Roquan Smith and had the pick-six on a busted screen pass by DeShone Kizer on a play that Robertson-Harris blew up. Bulaga also was called for a false start.

In the final tally, Mack was on the field for 42 snaps. Thirty-two were pass plays and 10 were handoffs. Of the 32 times the Packers had to protect against Mack, Bulaga was asked to solo block him 27 times. The Packers provided chip help twice, once with tight end Jimmy Graham

and once with wide receiver Davante Adams. Once, right guard Justin McCray helped to double Mack, once Mack lined up inside at tackle and went solo against McCray, and on the final snap with three seconds remaining, three Packers were assigned to Mack.

It's hard to imagine many opponents will ask their right tackle to solo block Mack more than 84 percent of the time like the Packers did. The Seahawks will certainly seek a different plan for right tackle Germain Ifedi after watching Broncos outside linebacker Von Miller sack Russell Wilson three times.

Two-minute drill: Defensive end Akiem Hicks had a huge first half, getting a strip-sack against McCray and drawing two holding calls on the Packers. Hicks was on the field for 44 of 60 snaps (73 percent), a tick below what he averaged last season. He needs to show up in the second half as well.

■ It was big outing for Roy Robertson-Harris, who had a better summer than Jonathan Bullard and made splash plays with three quarterback hits, including the sack that injured Rodgers. He also blew up a Kizer screen pass to force an interception.

■ Nagy talked about keeping running back Jordan Howard on the field in third-down situations, and while the sample size is mighty small, five receptions on five targets is an improvement in Howard's weakest area.

■ Defensive coordinator Vic Fangio didn't go after the hobbled Rodgers with extra pressure much in the second half, one criticism of the Bears. The flip side is the Bears rushed more than four defenders on three plays and all three were completions for 155 yards, including the 75-yard touchdown to Randall Cobb.

■ Free safety Eddie Jackson got caught looking in the backfield on the touchdown to Cobb and then took himself out of the play when he dived and missed the wide receiver.

■ Howard averaged 5.5 yards per carry, and in hindsight Nagy surely realizes inside-zone runs are his friend. The Bears could have gone that direction on multiple third-and-short situations in the second half. When things snowballed on the Bears, no one knew how to respond.

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Bears look for silver linings

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road. In the second half.

So how did the Bears finish Sunday night describing another rough loss, a 24-23 gutting by Aaron Rodgers and Co.?

How were Nagy and Trubisky left not in a victory lap but offering details of the wreck, like drivers in a car accident left to tell the police how their vehicles had wound up wrapped around the street light.

"We had a little lull there," Nagy said.

"(In the second half), we had two three-and-outs and then they had two touchdowns. That's where you can start seeing that things were going the other way."

Maybe, in one September prime-time snapshot, we saw the 2018 Bears for everything they will be over the next 16 weeks. This was a team that delivered flashes of obvious promise. This was a team doing so many things on a higher level than they have done in the past three or four years. This was a team with an intriguing cast of potential playmakers. And ultimately, this was a team still figuring out how to make bigger plays in big moments of big games, a team still climbing toward the prominence the Packers have known for years.

The second half damage? Rodgers: 273 passing yards; Trubisky with 62.

The reality check? After cruising for a touchdown on that opening series, the Bears offense had nine more possessions and never reached the end zone again.

Said Trubisky: "In order to be a good quarterback in this league, red zone and third down is where you make your money. I wasn't good in those areas tonight."

Trubisky's combined numbers on third down and in the red zone — 10-for-15, 57 yards — weren't damning but certainly could use improvement. And all those third-down missteps in the second half came back to bite the Bears.

There was the third-and-11 Trubisky scramble that came up 2 yards short of the sticks. The third-and-2 pass to Anthony Miller on the Bears' final field goal drive that fell incomplete. And yes, that odd third-and-1 play-action pass in which Trubisky rolled right, then threw back across the field to Dion Sims for no gain.

"That was a built-in play," Trubisky explained. "And that was pretty much my only option. It was built for man (coverage) and they were playing zone. That's just one of those risks you take. If we get the right look, it's wide open and we look like geniuses. But they just made a play."

Of all the brutal losses this organization has experienced at Lambeau Field, Sunday's carried a different sting. For once this wasn't an obviously inferior team being exposed as such. It was a team that should have scored one of the most head-turning upsets of Week 1 in the NFL but didn't.

"We're a young team that is going to learn from these situations," Nagy promised.

"And so I told them, you can feel tonight. That's OK. It's OK to feel tonight. Feel bad. Be pissed. All that. But once we get back tomorrow, we learn from it."

There's another thing different about this loss to the Packers as well. It was the season opener, 15 still games behind it. And that as much as anything should give Trubisky and his offense motivation. To keep plugging. To keep learning. To keep learning the details of a Nagy system that should become more exciting and more productive as the season moves along.

Asked about that opening touchdown drive, Nagy lit up.

"I knew we could do that. I really did," he said. "And they proved it. It was so good for our guys to have that. They didn't get a whole lot of reps in the preseason. So for them to see what can happen (was good). Some of those plays were scripted. So they're able to study them. But they see it's there. They understand that it's there."

Added Trubisky: "We were in attack mode."

Receiver Taylor Gabriel felt the energy of that TD march.

"It just shows that our preparation of what we've been doing finally came to fruition," he said.

So why didn't the marches continue? For one thing, Trubisky said, the Packers adjusted and used a lot more zone coverage than the Bears were expecting.

Nagy dismissed the idea that he took his foot off the gas with the big lead, a topic that will be scrutinized for the next week after the Bears ran 38 second-half plays Sunday night and gained more than 10 yards just four times.

With the Packers playing more zone and backing off in coverage, the rookie coach felt more than comfortable leaning on a running attack that averaged 5.1 yards per carry for the night.

Still, as time goes on, this Bears offense will have to learn how to go in for the kill.

Trubisky's numbers in the second half: 3.0 yards per attempt, only two completions longer than 10 yards, and none longer than 12.

The second-year quarterback was appropriately deflated. He was also appropriately hopeful.

"We're close," Trubisky said. "We know how close we are. ... We're headed in the right direction."

Maybe Sunday night's final result was a fitting measure of this group's progress. Maybe that 3-hour roller coaster, of anticipation and adrenaline and excitement and dizziness and disappointment, provided updated evidence that this is not a team on the verge of stanning the entire NFC.

Maybe it's a team that's still approaching the verge before the verge. If the Bears aren't close, they're certainly closer. For now, that's what they will live with and build off.

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Defense's failure to 'finish' decisive

BY COLLEEN KANE | Chicago Tribune

For a split-second, Kyle Fuller had the Bears' season-opening victory in his hands Sunday night at Lambeau Field, but it bounced out of his grasp.

With the Bears holding a precarious six-point lead against the Packers with 2 minutes, 39 seconds to play, the Bears cornerback was in position to intercept quarterback Aaron Rodgers. He leaned forward to make the catch on a short pass attempt but dropped it.

In frustration, he flung the football and then sat on the field for a few seconds to absorb the missed opportunity.

"I've just got to make the play," Fuller said afterward.

He's hardly the only Bears defender who can say that.

Many Bears played a part in the collapse that allowed the Packers to score 24 second-half points on the way to a 24-23 victory. The 20-point comeback victory was the Packers' second-largest ever at Lambeau Field, behind only a 21-point comeback against the Saints in 1989.

"The whole team got lazy," Bears safety Eddie Jackson said. "We got too compla-

cent, especially on the defensive side of the ball. We didn't finish. We came out the first half swinging. The energy was there. The second half I felt like the energy was low. Everybody got complacent, and we lost focus that we still had a game to finish."

Jackson was at the center of the Packers' winning play, two plays after Fuller's missed opportunity.

He was playing in the middle when Rodgers, with plenty of time to throw, found wide receiver Randall Cobb just behind him. Jackson dived toward the pass but was too far in front to make a tackle. Cobb ran free for the 75-yard, go-ahead touchdown, also leaving outside linebacker Leonard Floyd falling in his wake.

Bears coach Matt Nagy said Monday he thought Jackson was just an inch away from tipping the pass, but there's still a lesson to be learned.

"We have to be on top of everything," Bears defensive backs coach Ed Donatell said. "That's what we teach him. (Jackson has) a ball-hawking mentality. He's very effective for us, and he has some real good ball ahead of him."

"We tell him to stay top shoulder when things break out and plays get extended,

and that's what he'll do next time."

It was the last of three second-half touchdown passes by Rodgers, who left the game in the second quarter with a knee injury.

He returned in the third quarter, and he found Packers wide receiver Geronimo Allison for a 39-yard touchdown early in the fourth quarter. Allison made a diving catch behind Fuller in the back right corner of the end zone to cut the Bears' lead to 20-10.

Rodgers zeroed in on wide receiver Davante Adams on the next drive, connecting with him on passes of 51 and 6 yards before a 12-yard touchdown. Bears cornerback Prince Amukamara was in coverage on the first and last plays as the Packers pulled within 20-17.

Jackson said coach Matt Nagy's message after the game was to not point fingers.

"This is on us as a team," Jackson said. "We have to come back and get better from it. ... We have to come out and finish like we're capable of."

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U.S. military fighter jets fly over Gillette Stadium before the Patriots season-opening game against the Texans on Sunday in Foxborough, Mass.

NFL's history with flag, military long, complex

BY ADAM KILGORE
The Washington Post

The national anthem blared over Busch Stadium, and David Meggyesy stood in line with, but apart from, his St. Louis Cardinals teammates. A mandate had come from the NFL earlier in the week: When “The Star-Spangled Banner” played, players would line up facing the flag, helmet tucked under their left arm and right hand placed over their heart.

“What I said,” Meggyesy recalled, “was no.”

Meggyesy, a 26-year-old linebacker, bowed his head and held the face mask of his helmet with one hand, letting it rest between his knee and hip.

The year was 1968, and as the Vietnam War raged on, Meggyesy saw no other way to address the conflict he felt. In his mind, the league was overtly backing the war effort to appease middle America. “The younger people,” he said, “understood what the (expletive) was going on.” The St. Louis antiwar chapter operated out of a third-floor office in his house.

By the end of the 1968 season, despite playing at a near-all-pro level, Meggyesy would be benched. By the end of the 1969 season, he was out of the league for good — blackballed, he believes, for his stance.

“I was more pissed about their response of militarism, patriotism and all that more than anything,” Meggyesy recalled this summer in a phone conversation. “And the overt burden of the players, saying, ‘You’re the chattel out here, and you’ve got no say how we’re going to do it and salute the flag.’ Which is a personal decision for anybody.”

“And of course, Colin right now has revisited that whole question.”

Colin, of course, is former 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick. He and other players who followed him have made clear their varied demonstrations during the pregame playing of the national anthem have nothing to do with the military and instead are responses to police brutality against black men and other issues of racial inequality. But particularly after being targeted by hostile statements and tweets from President Donald Trump, today’s pro-



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Eli Harold, from left to right, Colin Kaepernick and Eric Reid kneel during the national anthem before a 49ers game in 2016.

tests have posed an uneasy challenge to a sports league that has cultivated an association with patriotism and the military more than any other.

“It’s the position they’ve put themselves in,” said Oregon State professor Michael Oriard, a former NFL lineman and author of several books on the league’s place in society. “They’re not content to be entertainment — Disney/Pixar doesn’t profess to be saving the world. Even with ‘Coco,’ they’re going to play up the multicultural sensitivities, but they implicitly acknowledge they’re in business to make money. The NFL claims to be in the business to be a beacon of Americanness or something. They brought that on themselves.

It backfires on them.”

In 2015, an oversight report by Senators Jeff Flake and John McCain of Arizona revealed the NFL as one of several leagues that accepted Department of Defense funds to stage military tributes, a practice known as paid patriotism. (The league eventually gave back more than \$700,000, drawing praise from Flake.) Joe Lockhart, a former Clinton administration staffer, had just joined the NFL as a spokesman when the scandal broke.

“As I dug into that a little bit, the National Guard, which is probably the most aggressive advertiser at NFL games, talked about how it was the single-best recruitment vehicle they had,” said Lockhart,

who left the NFL last year. “Which is just interesting. I think there is a connection. . . . Football Sundays have a connection to what a lot of people view as patriotism.”

By its nature, football is a militaristic sport. Opponents fight for territory. There are “trenches” and “blitzes” and “bombs.” The NFL’s massive popularity across all societal spectra may have made its ties to national identity inevitable.

“I do not see in any way, shape or form that the NFL is trying to cloak itself in patriotism. It doesn’t have to. It’s there,” longtime Fox Sports NFL producer David Hill said in a phone interview. “I took Fox Sports to Bagram Air Force, and I saw what football means to

those troops. It’s huge. It is a massive part of the culture. . . . Football is part of the country’s absolute core. I think that patriotism finds football, rather than football finding patriotism.”

The NFL, whether through intensive marketing or well-intentioned and even private homages, has emphasized those ties.

By the early 1960s, the NFL had emerged from the backwaters of professional sports and started its television-propelled path to becoming a behemoth. Commissioner Pete Rozelle, who served in the Navy during World War II, laid the groundwork for the league’s growth and pushed it

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JIM MONE/AP

A military veteran helps hold an American flag during the national anthem before the Vikings' game Sunday in Minneapolis.

NFL, flag have long history

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toward patriotism.

Rozelle made the first Super Bowls a showcase for Americana. In 1968, the Super Bowl hosted the first military flyover, which established the NFL's relationship with the Department of Defense. The 1969 Super Bowl included a halftime with the theme "America Thanks." And in 1970, halftime included a reenactment of the Battle of New Orleans.

"It was a conscious effort on our part to bring the element of patriotism into the Super Bowl," Rozelle said years later, after he had stepped down.

The NFL started sending players on goodwill tours to visit military personnel in 1965. The league viewed military tributes as both genuine acknowledgments and a means to boost its image.

"Our military men and women have been traditionally among our most ardent fans," longtime NFL spokesman Joe Browne, who retired from the NFL in 2016 after 50 years, wrote in an email. "When we started sending active players overseas on USO tours 50 years ago, was that a simple 'gesture' on our part or were we paying back those men and women for their support of the league and their devotion to our country? I strongly believe it was not a gesture."

Into the 1980s and '90s, the NFL continued to position itself as a patriotic entity, using the Super Bowl as its largest platform.

The game became a de facto national holiday, a celebration of both sport and country. The league coordinated flyovers with the Department of Defense, the national anthem a central part of the spectacle.

"We've become the winter celebration of the Fourth of July celebration," then-commissioner Paul Tagliabue said in 1991.

The terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 deepened the NFL's ties to patriotism. Because they occurred at the start of the NFL season, the league's response became a sig-

nificant question in how American life would resume. "After about a week, we started to think, 'We really need to send a signal to let these sports organizations know it's OK to play. It will help America recover,'" then-White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said.

When the United States launched the war in Afghanistan later in the fall, it happened on a Sunday morning. President George W. Bush's speech announcing the campaign played on video boards in NFL stadiums. Sporting events became a source of normalcy and communion.

As wars in the Middle East wore on, the NFL's brand of patriotism placed the military at the fore of its charitable efforts and its brand. Military tributes are pervasive at games, so commonplace that the Marines used the appeal of them in a recruitment commercial. In 2009, Army Gen. David Petraeus flipped the opening coin of the Super Bowl at midfield.

The NFL's efforts include unquestionable charity. By selling specified, camouflage Salute to Service merchandise and donating proceeds to nonprofits, along with other programs, the NFL says it has raised \$26 million for military causes since 2011.

But the prevalence of the tributes worries some. The service members presented at games can feel like props, part of a show. The camouflage uniforms and accessories can cheapen the sacrifice of soldiers and prohibit critical thinking about the military.

"It almost feels like it's a mandatory patriotism that is pushed down the throats of anybody who wants to attend a game," said former Army Ranger and author Rory Fanning, who has become a vocal critic of America's wars.

"By trotting out veterans, patting them on the back, I don't think it does justice to the actual experience of veterans, particularly over the last 18 years. There certainly isn't an opportunity for veterans to talk about their expe-

riences in combat. So many veterans don't feel like the heroes the NFL wants to present them as."

The NFL intends to honor soldiers by dressing players in camouflage accessories and selling them for charity. But the idea of players wearing colors reserved for service members rankles some. "I had two brothers serve in the military," retired linebacker Chris Borland said. "I think it's (expletive) frankly."

While raising money for noble causes, the NFL has intertwined its brand with the military, and that enhances the way many football fans feel about both.

"It reverberates naturally with the fan base," Fleischer said. "If the NFL decided it was going to really promote veganism and vegetarianism, it probably wouldn't go over very well with the fan base. Because it's consumer-driven. It's a reflection of who the fans are and what the fans' interests are. When the NFL decides it wants to have partnerships and public displays with the military, it's very well-received, because the fan base is so inclined. It's a perfect match."

The prominence of the NFL's patriotism is what gave Kaepernick the platform to protest in the first place. Before 2009, players were not on the field for the national anthem for typical regular-season games, a decision the league made to please broadcast partners.

"We were instructed to play the anthem when players weren't on the field," said former NFL executive Jim Steeg, referencing his time as a Chargers executive. "They didn't want, when the networks were coming in for the tease, to have the anthem on in the background. They wanted the players coming in and the cheer of the crowd."

But in 2009, the NFL began telling teams players needed to be on the sidelines for the anthem. Hardly anyone noticed the difference at the time, or even when Kaepernick first sat down on a bench during the anthem before a preseason game in 2016.

But by then, America had become far more divided, and separating politics from patriotism became impossible. When Trump referred to a player who protests during the anthem as a "son of a bitch" and indicated owners should fire such players, it turned the NFL into a cultural battleground.

Last fall, a nationwide poll conducted by The Washington Post and the University of Massachusetts Lowell found 17 percent of fans who said their interest in the NFL had decreased specifically cited anthem protests or Kaepernick - a greater cause than head injuries or violence. When the NFL announced it would allow teams to penalize players who demonstrated during the national anthem, many on the left, most prominently Rep. Keith Ellison, D-Minn., said they would boycott NFL games.

The NFL has tried to appease every part of its fan base, which in 2018 for an entity as dominant as the NFL is impossible. The division roiling the country affects the NFL because the NFL is such a dominating feature of American life.

"If you invent yourself as a cultural institution, when the culture fractures, there you are," Oriard said.

"What are you going to do about it?"

The NFL is searching for the answer. This season, thousands of fans will pack stadiums and millions will watch from couches and bars. Meggyesy, who now lives in Washington state, may or may not be among them. "The games are too long," he said, laughing.

Some fans, undoubtedly, will have Kaepernick on their minds when the anthem is played. Fifty years ago, that probably would not have been the case. Meggyesy recalled a very different reaction to his demonstration. While he received backlash from a local newspaper columnist, the league itself barely addressed him.

"They did not have any big issues publicly," Meggyesy said. "It was a very different world."

Peterson moving up all-time rushing list

BY KAREEM COPELAND
The Washington Post

GLENDAL, Ariz. — Adrian Peterson knew Jim Brown was in his sights. Marshall Faulk and Shaun Alexander, too.

AP is back and he's moving up the NFL's record lists.

The future Hall of Famer surpassed Brown to take over 10th place in career rushing yards in the first quarter of the Redskins' 24-6 victory over the Cardinals on Sunday. He then scored his 100th career rushing touchdown in the second quarter, moving him into a three-way tie for seventh place on that list along with Alexander and Faulk.

"It means a lot," Peterson said. "I have a lot of support that keeps me going and keeps me motivated."

"Not only do I do it for myself and my family, but I do it for my fan base as well."

The Redskins only signed Peterson after falling into a bind in late July with running backs Samaje Perine, Byron Marshall and rookie Derrius Guice all out with injuries. The team was practicing with just three backs before Peterson was signed. It didn't take long for the former Viking, Saint and Cardinal to take over the starting job and he got off to a blazing start.

The 33-year-old ran with vision, patience, speed and power to post 96 yards and a touchdown on 26 carries. Coach Jay Gruden joked during the week that he'd like to get Peterson 40 rushes, and it started to feel that way early on. The touchdown put the Redskins up 14-0 and, afterward, he dropped to his knees and outstretched his arms to the sky. Peterson also had two catches for a team-high 70 yards. The receiving yards were the third most of his career, six shy of that career high and the most since October 2011. The rushing yards were his third-highest total since the 2015 season.

"This is what I'm used to," Peterson said. "It felt good to see a lot of runs, knowing I will have the opportunity to contribute ... that's what I want to do ... to do my part in this offense ... to help us continue to move the chains, get in the end zone and create points. I'm just doing my job."

There was a belief in some NFL circles that Peterson was washed up after averaging a career-low 3.4 yards per carry in 2017 between the Cardinals and Saints, with whom he had a total of 529 yards in 10 games. He played just three games in 2016 due to injury. Peterson, however, looked much like his old self Sunday despite some lingering rust. He said his eyes "aren't as sharp" as he expected and that led to missing some holes. The plan is to clean that up with film work.

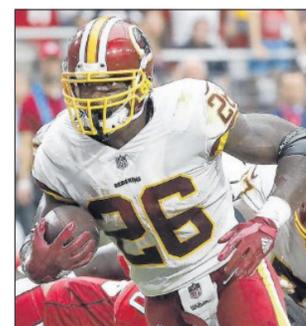
Peterson also raved about running behind an offensive line anchored by six-time Pro Bowler and friend Trent Williams.

Watching Peterson still draws some awe from fans and teammates alike.

Tight end Jordan Reed plainly called him a "living legend."

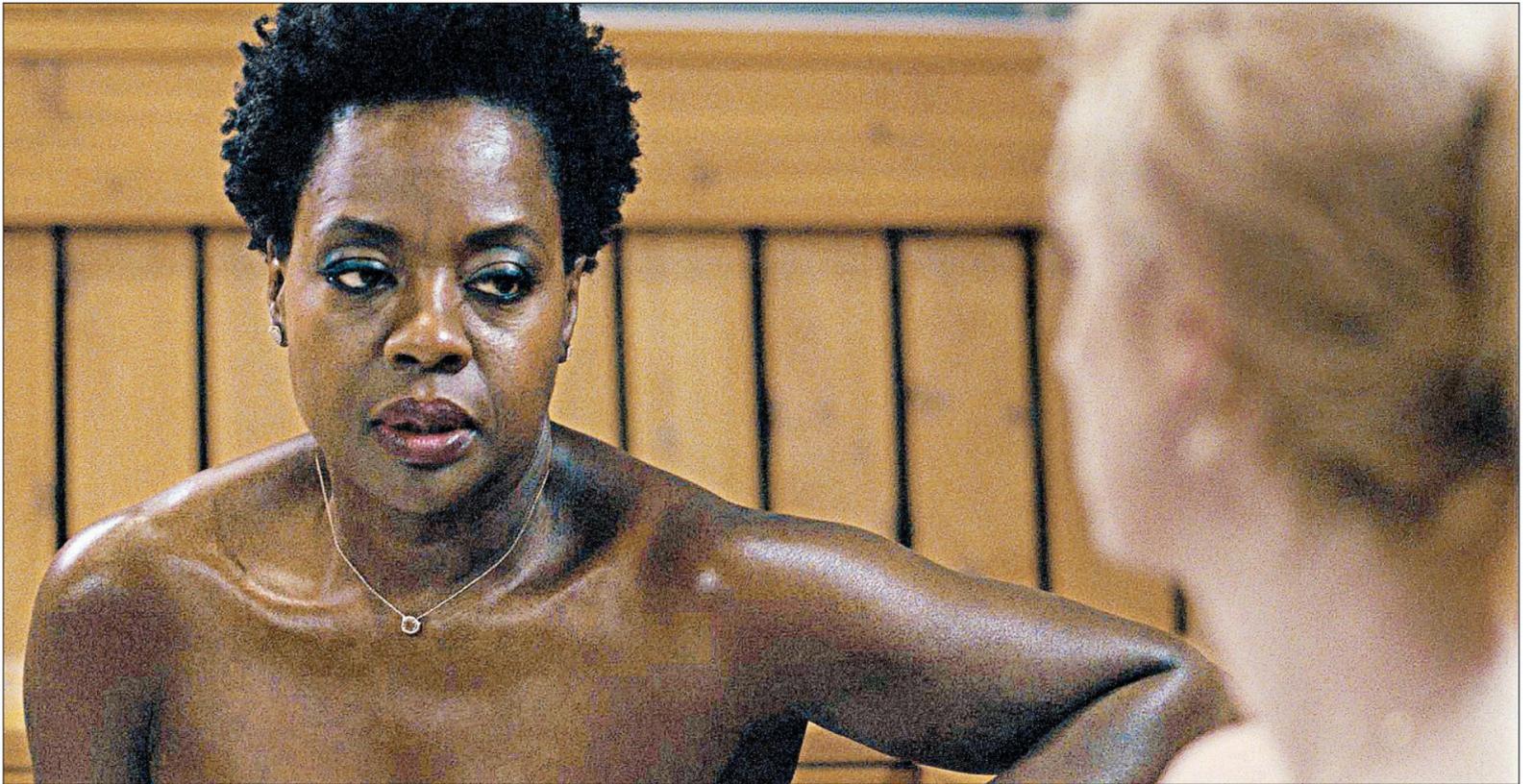
"He's a future Hall of Famer, and any guy would love to play with somebody like that, that they've looked up to," said running back Chris Thompson, who had 128 total yards. "He's been a guy that I've watched since he was in college. It's great and he came to me and told me that I was the spark for him. That just in itself, got me excited and continued to have me push on and continue to make plays. He told me he was feeding off my energy."

"It's just great to have a guy like that. . . . Just kind of picking his brain on the field, off the field stuff. We want this group to be the best in the league."



RICK SCUTERI/AP

Veteran RB Adrian Peterson ran for 96 yards and a TD in his first start for the Redskins on Sunday.



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"Widows," the first film from co-writer and director Steve McQueen since the Academy Award-winning "12 Years a Slave," stars Viola Davis running a heist in Chicago.

FROM THE CITY TO THE STARS

Juicy thriller 'Widows' shares the Toronto film fest spotlight with astronaut biopic 'First Man'



MICHAEL PHILLIPS
Tribune movie critic

TORONTO – The most audibly Canadian audience response I heard in the first few days of the Toronto International Film Festival came midway through the Chicago-set crime thriller "Widows," which made its world premiere Saturday.

The first feature from co-writer and director Steve McQueen since the Academy Award-winning "12 Years a Slave" adapts a 1980s British miniseries for a new century, a new locale and a juicy, gorgeously acted exercise in pulp fiction. The movie, written by Gillian Flynn ("Gone Girl," "Sharp Objects") and McQueen, places one foot in movie Chicago, land of glorified violence and multidirectional corruption, and the other foot in, or near, the real Chicago, an adjacent land of glorified violence and multidirectional corruption.

Saddled with potentially lethal

debts left behind by their late, thieving husbands, the widows played by Viola Davis, Elizabeth Debicki and Michelle Rodriguez hatch a plan to steal \$5 million, settle their account with a ruthless 18th Ward politico and his stone-cold-killer son, and put a little in the bank for themselves.

To do this, the women need some guns. Someone asks: Where are we going to get guns? Leveling her colleague with a withering look that needs no extra firepower, Davis (whose character is a longtime Chicago Teachers Union staffer) answers with three steely words: "This is America."

The line got a huge, unsettling laugh at the Toronto screening Saturday.

I mean, it's just a movie. But "Widows" has just enough ambition in its bones to make its characters matter in the flamboyantly embroidered narrative. Rather than taffy-pulling the source material into protracted self-importance, the way the recent HBO "Sharp Objects" did, director McQueen's "Widows" works as both genre diversion and genre commentary. The movie is full of terrific performers, from Davis to Daniel Kaluuya ("Get Out") to the ringer, British musical star Cyn-

thia Erivo. It's a rougher, meaner version of "Ocean's Eight," with trace elements of #TimesUp and #BlackLivesMatter. And it pays off with supreme confidence.

Already, speculation on "Widows" and its awards-season prospects suggest a puzzlement over why McQueen, coming off "12 Years a Slave," decided to go a little lower this time. No such speculation has greeted director/co-writer-producer/star Bradley Cooper's feature directing debut "A Star is Born," co-starring Lady Gaga. The latest version of this

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Artist and illustrator Benjamin Ezra holds a panel from his "Street Level" project.

Artist Benjamin Ezra explores crosstown views at 'street level'

BY JESSI ROTT
 Chicago Tribune

Living in the city, have you ever really explored the street you live on? Paid attention to how the neighborhood was changing before it was too late? Thought of its history? Of the tenants that lived there before you? Your neighbors and their lives?

Probably not. Put that way, it does seem like some abstract concept. But for artist Benjamin

Ezra, exploring his own block after moving in the fall of 2008 took him on a five-year journey — personally and artistically. Four and a half miles of Chicago Avenue and 160 feet of matte board later, Ezra's completed project — a hand-drawn, panoramic view from Lake Michigan to near Sacramento Boulevard (where Chicago and Grand Avenues intersect) titled "Street Level," has him joining the likes of local creatives rethinking what fosters a sense of commu-

nity in such a bustling metropolis, and he's hoping it inspires others to do the same.

"In the literal sense, Street Level is about the common ground we all stand on," the artist's description of his work reads. "In the abstract, it asks the question of what it means to be human in a world rapidly being reshaped by artificial intelligence and apps that tell us where we are, who we are, and

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'Electric Sheep' makes One Book, One Chicago

BY RICK KOGAN
 Chicago Tribune

Nobody can predict the future.

The next mayor? Got me. The Bears' record this year? Couldn't tell you.

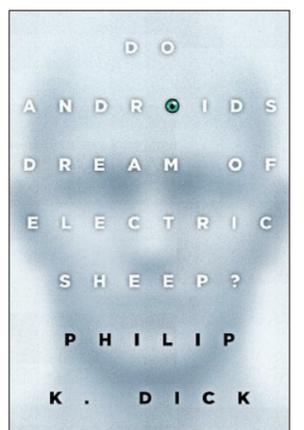
The high temperature Wednesday? Don't have a clue.

There is one exception, for I can now tell you — I am writing this story early Monday morning — what the next selection for the One Book, One Chicago distinction will be when formally announced Tuesday morning. It will be "Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?" by Philip K. Dick, a 1968 novel set in our world as he imagined it might bleakly be in the future.

A small, chilling sample from the novel: "No one today remembered why the war had come about or who, if anyone, had won. The dust which had contaminated most of the planet's surface had originated in no country, and no one, even the wartime enemy, had planned on it."

This will be the 29th choice for this honor, which was started in the fall of 2001 by then-Mayor Richard M. Daley and Mary Dempsey, then the commissioner of the Chicago Public Library system. The first selection was "To Kill a Mockingbird," the 1960 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Harper Lee, which also happened to be the then-mayor's favorite book.

The subsequent choices, made by a small committee of CPL librarians over weeks of discussion, have included works



of fiction and nonfiction and even a few plays. Most of these were written by people no longer here to bask in the honor (and benefit from book attendant sales), writers such as Lorraine Hansberry, Willa Cather, Raymond Chandler, and James Baldwin.

Living authors have been cited, among them Stuart Dybek, Isabel Wilkerson, Sandra Cisneros and, most recently, my Tribune colleague Greg Kot for "I'll Take You There."

You don't have to be a Chicagoan to reap the honor and this latest choice has the thinnest of connections. Dick was born here but he was gone before the age of 5 and grew up mostly in California. His life was, frankly, mostly a mess. But despite its being peppered with drug use (and abuse), constant scrambling for money, five marriages, three children, erratic

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Andrew Lloyd Webber, from left, John Legend and Tim Rice with Emmys for "Jesus Christ Superstar."

Legend, Lloyd Webber and Rice join EGOT winners

NEW YORK — NBC's live version of "Jesus Christ Superstar" won an Emmy Award on Sunday, and that made three men extra happy — it meant star John Legend, composer Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyricist Tim Rice joined the elite squad of EGOT winners.

The musical's win for best live variety special united Legend, Lloyd Webber and Rice with Emmys to go along with their Tonys, Grammys and Oscars — the four biggest prizes in show business.

Lloyd Webber and Rice have already won Tonys ("Evita" and "Sunset Boulevard"), Grammys ("Cats," "Evita") and an Oscar for "You Must Love Me" from "Evita." Legend has won 10 Grammys and in 2015 he scored an Oscar for his song "Glory" from the movie "Selma." Last year, he won a Tony for Best Revival of a Play as a co-producer of "Jitney." Legend, who played Jesus in the concert version of "Jesus Christ Superstar" but won his Emmy as a co-producer of the show, is also gunning for an acting Emmy later this month.

Legend's wife, Chrissy Teigen, posted a photo of all three men cradling their Emmys with the caption: "EGOT GOATS" — a reference to the term "greatest of all time."

Two other songwriters were also one Emmy away from the EGOT on Sunday — Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, whose song "In the Market for a Miracle" appeared in "A Christmas Story Live!" But their bid for EGOT status was derailed when the Emmy for Outstanding Original Music and Lyrics went to "Saturday Night Live" and the song "Come Back Barack" when Chance the Rapper was hosting.

— Associated Press



NOAH K. MURRAY/AP

Miss New York Nia Franklin is crowned Miss America 2019 by last year's winner Cara Mund on Sunday.

Lawyer calls Miss America report a 'whitewash':

Roger Haber, the lawyer for former Miss America Cara Mund, says a report commissioned by the Miss America Organization finding that Mund was not bullied by pageant leaders is "dishonest" and "a complete whitewash." The report, issued Monday, found no evidence to support bullying allegations made by Mund. She was not interviewed for the report. Nia Franklin, Miss New York, was named 2019 Miss America on Sunday night.

Newton-John fighting cancer again:

Olivia Newton-John says she has been diagnosed with cancer for the third time in three decades. The four-time Grammy winner, 69, said doctors found a tumor in her lower back in 2017. She said she's "treating it naturally and doing really well." She was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 1992, and again in 2013.

Telethon raises \$123 million in pledges:

Stand Up To Cancer said Sunday its sixth telethon was its most successful yet, receiving more than \$123 million in pledges from the U.S. and Canada. Matt Damon, Tracee Ellis Ross, Jon Hamm and Winona Ryder were among the stars on Friday's telecast.

Sept. 11 birthdays:

Director Brian De Palma is 78. Actress Virginia Madsen is 57. Musician Moby is 53. Singer Harry Connick Jr. is 51. Actress Taraji P. Henson is 48. Rapper Ludacris is 41.



ASK AMY

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Man resents wife's grief over her ex

Dear Amy: My wife and I have been together since 2010. Our marriage has never been perfect, but we have stayed together. We've both been married before and have kids from our first marriages.

Last weekend, my wife's ex-husband (father of her 14-year-old son) died — either from an overdose or by suicide.

Instead of her son being distraught, he is taking the news well. His dad has not been in his life much, since the dad has been in prison multiple times.

My wife, however, is torn up over his death. She has said things such as, "I can't believe he is gone; why would he do this to us ...?" She has been crying practically nonstop.

This is taking a toll on our already challenging relationship. I feel she is still in love with him and is going to miss him. I feel the opposite way about my ex-wife (mother of my kids). If she died, I would be throwing a huge party. I'd celebrate, not cry.

I can't imagine anyone being this upset over someone they haven't had a relationship with in 10 years. He has never paid child support, so there is no financial attachment.

I can't help feeling that because she is so upset about this death, maybe there was more going on between them over the years, during the time we've been together. Am I wrong for thinking there is something wrong here?
— WTF

Dear WTF: Yes, there is something wrong here. With you. Perhaps your wife is crying and carrying on because she is basically

begging you to notice and to talk to her about her feelings. Not for you to tell her how to feel, or expound on how you would celebrate your ex's death (that's nice, by the way), but to comfort her and ask her to describe her own emotions, even if you don't understand or share them.

Maybe she would emote less if you emoted more — or at all. Yes, she should probably dial down her emotions, while you should dial up your own.

The person you should both keep in mind is this 14-year-old boy. Kids this age never express sadness or loss the way adults do. They suppress their emotions and feel anger, confusion, depression, guilt and sometimes relief (and then guilt about their relief) when an absent and/or troubled parent is out of their life forever.

You stepson also has to deal with a mother who is grieving, weeping and feeling victimized and abandoned — and a stepfather who has decided to be judgmental and jealous.

I suggest you pay close attention to this teenager. He needs to feel supported by the two adults in his life. Right now, he seems to have no one.

Dear Amy: I'm a young woman. "Adam" was recently hired where I work, and my general manager told me to train him.

Immediately there was a noticeable tension between us. Adam became extremely hostile after I corrected an action of his. He began to make derogatory statements to me and about me.

I walked away and pulled my manager to the

side. He told Adam that his behavior was extremely inappropriate. Adam was still rude. The next time I worked with him, he made statements regarding some of my coworkers and me. The environment at work has quickly deteriorated.

I am moving and leaving this job in a few weeks, but should I still sit down with my manager and tell him what is going on?
— Put-down Employee

Dear Employee: Yes, have this talk. Do not drop the ball because you are leaving. Document these incidents involving "Adam" and inform your manager.

One person with bad chemistry or bad behavior can quickly poison the entire work environment. Warning the manager about this employee would be your parting gift.

Dear Amy: As an occasional reader of your column, I find it obvious that most problems you handle, even the complex ones, are easily solved with better communication.

If your troubled fans spent as much time talking to each other as writing to you, their problems would undoubtedly disappear almost as quickly as the stroke of their pen.
— Deep Thinker

Dear Deep: I agree with you, but I'm conflicted, because people communicating with me instead of each other is basically the cornerstone of my business model.

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 - 17 Construction project manager
 - 19 Word of disgust
 - 20 Is unable to float
 - 21 Unwanted hangers-on
 - 22 More than enough
 - 24 Faucet
 - 25 Pet bird
 - 27 ___ sauce; condiment with fish
 - 30 Fidgety
 - 31 Stretch of land
 - 33 Wager
 - 35 In a ___; sulking
 - 36 Show gratitude to
 - 37 Bum
 - 38 Moral transgression
 - 39 Courageous deeds
 - 40 Braggart
 - 43 Exclusively
 - 44 Butterfly catcher's need
 - 45 Eve of "The Brady Bunch"
 - 46 Spring month
 - 49 Calamari
 - 51 Bird of prey
 - 54 Dog with long ears
 - 56 Pearl Harbor's location
 - 57 Tilt to one side
 - 58 Rock musician Cooper
 - 59 Leaping amphibian
 - 60 Corncocks
 - 61 Yrbk. section
 - 62 Billboards
- DOWN**
- 1 Cherry variety
 - 2 Delightful
 - 3 "___ whiz!"
 - 4 Largest island in the Mediterranean
 - 5 Duplicate
 - 6 Sty cry
 - 7 Pianist & singer Domino
 - 8 ____, HST, DDE, JFK, LBJ...
 - 9 Allow into the group
 - 10 Oodles
 - 11 Aberdeen fellow
 - 12 Boatman's needs
 - 13 Costello or Rawls
 - 18 ___ from; besides
 - 20 Lively
 - 23 "Two Years Before the ___"; Dana classic
 - 24 Carpet nail

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25 Singer ___ Elliot

26 Tony-winning musical

27 Sunbathes

28 Truthful

29 Nonconformist

31 "All ___ glitters is not gold"

32 Traitor

34 British conservative

36 Trial run

37 Steerer's position

39 Actress Sally Butler film

40 Deafening

42 Chili dog toppers, for some

43 Goes down smoothly

45 Fruity drink

46 Isn't ___ to; can't

47 Sincere request

48 Laugh loudly

49 Sing alone

50 Witty remark

52 TV's "___ the Boss?"

53 Drag along

55 "London ___ Fallen"; Gerard Butler film

56 One ___ kind; unique thing

A+E NOTES

'Stomp' headed back to Chicago

On Monday, Broadway in Chicago announced that "Stomp" will return to Chicago during the holiday season.

A combination of percussion, movement and visual comedy, "Stomp" employs household and industrial objects as musical instruments in the hands of body percussionists, who communicate through dance and drum.

In his review of the show's 2016 holiday engagement, Tribune critic Chris Jones gave the show three stars.

"At the Broadway Playhouse, the small company with the trash cans, the shopping carts, the old drums and the big sticks totally fill the joint with

their noise and their cool personalities," he writes. "People often don't realize how much shows like this one change with the space."

The show will run Dec. 5-30 at play the Broadway Playhouse at Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St. Tickets go on sale Sept. 28.
— KT Hawbaker

Second City announces next mainstage cast

The Second City has announced the cast for its 107th mainstage revue.

Under the direction of Matt Hovde and with music direction by Vinnie Pillarella, the show will feature current mainstage ensemble members Ryan Asher, Tyler Davis, Jeffrey Murdoch, and Nate Varone, who will be joined by "Gaslight District" cast member Emily Fightmaster and "She the People" cast member Kimberly Michelle Vaughn.

Following its press opening Dec. 6, the new revue will have an open run in the Second City Mainstage Theater, 1616 N. Wells St.

— KT Hawbaker

'Tootsie' begins ticket lottery

A ticket lottery has begun for the musical "Tootsie" in Chicago, presenters Broadway In Chicago and Scott Sanders Productions have announced.

Twenty-six tickets will be sold for every performance at \$25 each. The lottery will happen online the day before each performance. Enter at www.broadwayinchicago.com/show/tootsie.

"Tootsie" will play a pre-Broadway engagement at Broadway In Chicago's Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St., through Oct. 14. The production will go to Broadway in spring 2019.
— KT Hawbaker

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Pulp thrills and moon journeys

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belovedly schlocky showbiz fable opens Oct. 5; it premiered at the Venice Film Festival in late August. Even without the general wash of critical praise (I liked, didn't love), the movie's popular success is in the bag. No film version of "A Star is Born" has ever failed.

Cooper's film skipped the Telluride, Colo., film festival, the increasingly influential Labor Day weekend gathering. Often the most enticing films of the year hit the awards-season trifecta of Venice, Telluride and Toronto, in the space of a couple of weeks, and reap the publicity rewards. It happened last year to "The Shape of Water," which went on to win four Oscars.

This year, director Damien Chazelle's "La La Land" followup, the beautiful, ruminative, rather unconventional Neil Armstrong biopic "First Man," (opening Oct. 12) scored the Venice/Telluride/Toronto trifecta. Ryan Gosling stars as the NASA astronaut who made history and planted a flag on the moon in the

summer of 1969. Josh Singer's screenplay, based on the nonfiction account of the same title, favors small moments and isolated, often grueling and claustrophobic circumstances.

Chazelle shot over a million feet of film on a variety of formats (16 and 35 millimeter, IMAX for some scenes, even good old widescreen VistaVision for some scenes). What compels the director as a storyteller here — the death of Armstrong's 2-year-old daughter, who was stricken by a brain tumor, and the impact it had on Armstrong and his family — isn't really the same movie being sold in the trailers. A lot of it's stunning, though, in weirdly quiet and immersive ways: It's only when Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walk on the lunar surface, in remarkable re-creations, that we realize how little we've seen outside the blinkered, pressure-cooker perspective of one or two or three men inside tight metal spaces, perpetually on the brink of crisis.

So, about that flag. Prior to Toronto, following the



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"La La Land" director Damien Chazelle screened the Neil Armstrong biopic "First Man," starring Ryan Gosling, at the fest.

"First Man" Aug. 29 Venice premiere, a reporter asked Gosling about the film's decision to show the American flag on the moon in a couple of long shots only. Where's the big, crashing moment of triumph, with the stars and stripes in close-up? Chazelle, concluded Ainsley Earhardt on "Fox & Friends," must hate this country.

"This is where our country's going," she said, not having seen the film. (She was responding mainly to Gosling's comments on the red carpet about not treating Armstrong as clichéd storybook American hero.) "They don't think America is great," she concluded.

U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio reached the same conclusion. Chazelle, he tweeted, also ignorant of the film itself, had done the nation a "disservice at a time when our people need reminders of what we can achieve when we work together. The American people paid for that mission, on rockets built by Americans, with American technology & carrying American astronauts."

Chazelle spoke to the audience alongside, among others, Armstrong's sons, Rick and Mark, who worked as advisers of "First Man." "I'm here to tell you that they got it right," Mark said. The devotion to re-

search and period detail, he said, led to results the Armstrong brothers admire. "First Man" is genuinely interested in weighing the grand achievement of the Apollo 11 mission against the personal sacrifices required. (The movie ends on an inspired, hard-earned question mark regarding the state of the Armstrongs' marriage as depicted by Gosling and co-star Claire Foy; the movie does not deal with Neil Armstrong's second marriage, decades later.)

I talked to Chazelle after the discussion. "I wanted this to be a movie about what you *didn't* know, and haven't seen before," he

said. "We were trying to tell the untold story, and trying to focus especially on those private moments I didn't know anything about going into the project."

More Toronto coverage to come, including reports on the Venice and Telluride festival triumph "Roma" from director Alfonso Cuarón, and on "Beautiful Boy," starring Steve Carrell and Timothee Chalamet. "Beautiful Boy" will open the Chicago International Film Festival on Oct. 10.

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29th selection revealed

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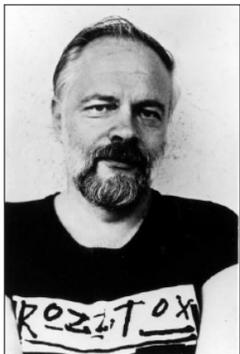
behavior, a suicide attempt and what he called "a visitation from God," he published dozens of novels and a number of short-story collections. He won awards for his work and he was 53 when he died in 1982.

His work has been posthumously popular with movie and television producers, serving as the basis for such films as "Total Recall" and "Minority Report" and TV's "The Man in the High Castle."

"Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?" served as the primary (some would say badly mangled) source for the film "Blade Runner" and last year's sequel, "Blade Runner 2049."

In short, the novel is about a bounty hunter charged with policing the planet's android population as the Earth continues to wither and die and most of the successful humans and many surviving animals getting relocated to less poisonous places. It is a sci-fi thriller, its setting dispiriting. But Dick was a fine and philosophical writer and so this is a very good book which asks all manner of questions, not the least of which is "What is real and what is fake?"

Beginning this week and continuing through April,



NICOLE OLIVIERI PANTER

Author Philip K. Dick

most of the city's 80 libraries and other venues will offer a thoughtfully ambitious series of events, programs, exhibitions and performances designed to explore some of the matters addressed in the book. There will be talks with notable science fiction authors, discussions on the future of technology and some scientific stuff at the community-operated Maker Lab in the Harold Washington Library.

You can get a look at these at onebookonechicago.org and what I would say is a not-to-be-missed event is the Pritzker Auditorium's presentation of "War of the Worlds," the legendarily infamous Orson Welles' radio broadcast, presented by Locked Into Vacancy Entertainment.

"It is appropriately taking place on Oct. 23, the 80th anniversary of that original broadcast," says Shane Hill, the outfit's founder.

Also worth your time will be the walking tours

given by historian/professor Max Grinnell. "I think working with this novel presents an opportunity as much as it does a challenge," he says. "Chicago, like other large cities, is grappling with autonomous vehicles, surveillance, police cameras, a post-postindustrial economy, climate change, and a raft of other challenges. There are any number of futurists opining on what's going to be the next next best thing."

All of the latest One Book, One Chicago activities exist under the title "Imagine the Future" and so I asked Chicago Public Library Commissioner and CEO Brian Bannon to do just that, since by April there will be a new face sitting in the mayor's office on the fifth floor of City Hall.

"Who will be the next mayor?" he asked. "There is certainly not a shortage of people interested in the job. But I will tell you that Rahm Emanuel has been a library mayor, that's for sure, and passionately supportive. I don't know of another mayor in this country who has been as articulate about the role of libraries in civic life. Though he did not personally recommend this latest choice, he has had a lot of input on many of the previous ones and I know he will be engaged by this book and some of the programs we have planned. He is a curious man and he loves to read."

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RECORDINGS

McCartney's 'Egypt Station': Intimacy, surprise and filler

By GREG KOT
Chicago Tribune

Paul McCartney may have a reputation as the most optimistic of the Beatles, but some of his music belied that stereotype. The latest example arrives with "Egypt Station" (Capitol), his first album of original music in five years.

Though its 2013 predecessor, "New," sounded unfocused, with a jumble of producers and indifferent lyrics, "Egypt Station" feels more intimate and personal. Self-doubt and anxiety creep into the songs, and his voice — bearing some of the weight of his 76 years — at times treads toward parched, scratchy weariness. The vulnerability is one of the album's most endearing features. It skirts the great-man-stares-into-the-abyss-of-mortality melodrama that has become a late-career-album cliché for many of McCartney's peers. Instead it presents a plain-spoken realism, an earthiness in keeping with his working-class upbringing. Uncertainties abound. As he sings on the opening track, "What's the matter with me, I don't know?"

McCartney finds a simpatico producer in Greg Kurstin, who worked



'Egypt Station'

Paul McCartney
★★★ (out of four)

on these sessions while also collaborating with Beck, Sia and Foo Fighters on recent albums. Kurstin brings a classically trained musicality and sense of restraint that complements McCartney compositional strengths.

Some pruning wouldn't have hurt: The 16 songs include a trifling single, "Fuh You," with hit-doctor Ryan Tedder; the kind of trite anthem, "People Want Peace," that McCartney can crank out in his sleep; and a couple of unnecessarily fussy multipart tracks in "Despite Repeated Warnings" and "Hunt You Down/Naked/C-Link" that feel out of step with the rest of the album. Most of the rest finds a sweet spot between craft and scrappiness, while spanning the trashy

garage rock of "Who Cares," the glam swagger of "Come on to Me" and the acid-folk of "Dominoes" and "Confidante" ("In our imaginary world, where butterflies wear army boots and stumble round the forest chanting long, lost anthems").

A handful of mostly acoustic tracks underline the singer's gift for deceptive simplicity. He conveys a lifetime's worth of emotional travail in the autumnal hues of "Happy With You," a song that casually roles out a litany of foibles and fibs ("I lied to my doctor"; "I sat around all day; I liked to get stoned"). As if determined to stop at all the stations he's visited on his varied decadeslong musical journey, he also channels some of the weirdness that made his pseudo-anonymous side project as the Fireman so enchanting. On the bastardized funk of "Caesar Rock," McCartney sounds loose and uninhibited, the septuagenarian kid bouncing around in his recording studio playground. He still sounds capable of surprising himself and, by extension, his listeners.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Crime and Punishment' ★★★ 1/2

Adaptation has hero speaking to the audience

By CHRIS JONES
Chicago Tribune

Hey, let's do Fyodor Dostoyevsky this sunny September! Two hours and 40 minutes of "Crime and Punishment"! One room! No star names! Not much of a set but lots of atmosphere and acting! We'll pack 'em in!

Only in Chicago, folks, only in Chicago.

And where else but the Shattered Globe Theatre, where deep dives are the reason to get into the pool and the normal rules of box office appeal are strictly for wimps? There are shows you might call heady. But Chris Hannan's dramatic adaptation of the iconic Russian novel might just make your noggin explode.

You may recall this little novella is the story of Raskolnikov, a 23-year-old character suffering from a

fate common to so many of history's great intellectuals, which is the lack of cash money in their pockets.

Our hero, well played in director Louis Contey's Shattered Globe production by Drew Schad, is a former law student whom we'd now describe as obsessive-compulsive, maybe even bipolar, but who was regarded as merely intense in 1866 St. Petersburg. Raskolnikov is driven by his poverty to commit a murder — of a pawnbroker, that profession having been around for a while.

He is tortured by his conscience and has to deal with a detective in at least tepid pursuit, but the real matters in hand here are moral, philosophical and existential: Is murder a logical response to poverty? What about the nihilism it engenders in the criminal? Is that state of alienation a

crucial precursor of social change or a soul-sucking state of being? Might there be a god, or do you merely stare out on this beautiful but historically chilling September week at a universe filled only with chemistry? And if so, why not murder two or three folks to get what you wish?

But, lest your despair, people change, even if most of us find it easier to try to change the world than ourselves. There's also the little matter of the power of love, a question as fascinating to Huey Lewis as old Fyodor himself. Does the love of Sonya (Ilse Zacharias) offer our rascal the possibility of forgiveness?

All of this (and more!) has been shoved into the dramatization by the fine British playwright Hannan. It's a clever take on a tough task: Hannan turns the famous interior mono-

When: Through Oct. 20

Where: Shattered Globe Theatre at Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.

Running time: 2 hours, 40 minutes

Tickets: \$39 at 773-975-8150 and www.sgtheatre.org

logues into direct address and he moves plot points around to make more dramatic sense. In the U.K., this was regarded as a very fresh, tense and exciting take on the great novel.

All of those three qualities needed more emphasis in Contey's production, which does not depart sufficiently from standard expectations. What I mean by that is the show — which is uniformly well acted and staged with wise thought and great integrity —



MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Rebecca Jordan, Brad Woodard, Drew Schad, Christina Gorman and Joseph Wiens in "Crime and Punishment."

doesn't land as it could in the audience's lap. The direct conversations with the audience don't demand our attention.

Ideally, "Crime and Punishment" plays in the theater as a great thriller with moral overtones. This production, although not without rewards for fans of this work, struggles to create enough tension. Nothing here can feel fixed

or predetermined; Raskolnikov's fate is, until the end, wholly unknown. None of this is easy — you have to cut through the intellectual relativism while amplifying every last deviation of the mind and soul. But that's the Chicago theater.

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160-foot-long mural depicts Chicago street scenes

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what's going on around us. Rather than dwell on the negative aspects of city life, Street Level is a deeply inspired celebration of the local and the ordinary; it encourages Chicago to put down the smartphone and take a fresh look at itself."

Growing up on a campground operated by his family in Brown County, Ind., near Bloomington, Ezra recalls having "boats and goats" as opposed to TV and video games. It was up to him and his siblings to entertain themselves and art was always an easy escape.

"I was always making my own cartoons," he says. "Art was something you could do for fun. But in the long run, parents weren't saying 'Oh you can make a living out of this.' They didn't say 'Go to art school,' it was more, find something technical to do with it."

But art took a backseat to music after Ezra enrolled at Purdue University to study film and television. It also led him to Chicago's Ukrainian Village neighborhood in September 2008. The community in West Lafayette, Ind., got him started artistically before hitting Chicago's open mics. Then, he says, he just sort of fell out of it — figuring he'd push this drawing thing a little bit further.

Ezra found his way to the folks at Star Lounge and Dark Matter Coffee — eventually illustrating bag designs for popular roasts such as "Unicorn Blood," "A Love Supreme," "Giant Steps" and more, and began drawing house portraits, commissioned by real estate agents to give as gifts to new home owners.

But as the economic crisis continued to make full-time "real jobs" scarce, he found himself taking temporary gigs to get by; feeling overwhelmed by his small standing in a massive place. Speaking candidly of the time when he was feeling "really beat up," he remembers having a hard time falling asleep at night and not being able to get out of bed in the morning until he committed to bringing "Street Level" to life.

"I really wanted to find something that was so common. I didn't have to be abstract, or mysterious, hard to understand as an artist. I wanted to get away from that aspect that I felt in music was leading me into a place where I was becoming a character that I



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"Street Level" documents 4.5 miles of Chicago Avenue from Lake Michigan to Sacramento Boulevard.

was writing about," he explains. "Things felt like they were getting darker, and in turn they were making me darker. And I really wasn't that dark person, so I really wanted to get back to something that everyone could connect with."

He started outside of his own apartment on Rockwell Street on Nov. 11, 2010; posting up on a bench or side of a building to sketch what he saw — eventually connecting every adjoining address on the south side of the street by June 2013. To the east, landmarks such as Holy Name Cathedral and an off-in-the-distance Navy Pier are captured. To the west, discount stores, unassuming warehouses, and Midway Moving & Storage.

"I was feeling crazy, but this really directed my anxiety," Ezra continues. "In that way it's transformed me, I can't even tell you how. Having the willpower to go out and do the first panel, then connect the second one to it, was what got me going. The next morning, I started getting up bright and early. I had something to do to take my mind off everything else; going out there, publicly proving you're not defeated yet — however long it takes."

In the beginning, one 2-foot panel, before adding color, would take around 45 minutes — with Ezra adopting a more blocky, cartoonish feel to his depictions. Then, he said, something inside of him changed. Covering two to three blocks within a five-hour window every day, he felt himself finally begin to feel part of the city; like he was becoming some

type of representative for Chicago Avenue.

"I'd spend more time with it," he said. "My work got a lot cleaner; got more precise about things. So really, from where I started to where I finished, it kind of transforms."

"Street Level" takes the viewer through all four seasons — including winter, though Ezra admits his threshold for cold was about 48 degrees (of which, born and bred Chicagoans will tell you, is not cold), thunderstorms, snow, and from day-to-night across its entirety; vibrant purple hues mimicking the way the city lights manage to brighten even the darkest night sky.

Working until his eyes would start playing tricks on him, he says, he'd met dozens of neighborhood folks interested in, or skeptical of, what he was doing — from flower shop owners and members of the YMCA on the West Side, to people passing by. One stranger, in particular, made him feel like he was doing the right thing at the right time.

"I'm a big fan of (Chicago native) Shel Silverstein, and I have been for a long time. I just like how he does music; I like all the stuff about Shel Silverstein," Ezra says. "So anyway I'm out there drawing on the street one day when this guy comes up downtown and he's like, 'What is this, Paris?'" he recalls. "It was kind of funny, you know, I'm leaning against the wall looking all artsy. He wanted to see it, and he asked me if I was an architecture student. He's like, 'Oh, it kind of looks like the stuff that people

used to do in the '60s, like folk art. It's kind of like Shel Silverstein. Shel would've loved a project like this.' Turns out he managed the estate for his family.

"It was little meetings like that that just sort of confirmed for me that I was working on a project that was just sort of meant to be. The universe was telling me I was doing the right thing."

While he says he didn't necessarily have a political thought when starting the project, it has highlighted some ways he sees a Chicago divided between tourist sites and what seems to have been left to be forgotten. Some of the buildings he's depicted have been torn down, others already replaced with new high-rises. Open spaces where construction equipment once stood are no longer there. He even noticed a McDonald's with a new roof.

"Going east and west across the city, I think you see a lot more changes a lot more quicker than going north to south," Ezra explains. "It does take you from industrial areas with someone's home right in the middle of it, to some houses in a row — then a parking lot with a CVS."

"I think about the immigrants and groups of people who have come here over the years," he continues. "They built these houses and they're still standing. It's kind of like the art that they left. Some of the new buildings, it just all seems like more a facade than something with a solid history. Naturally, of course, I just want to know about the old things."

All 160 feet of "Street Level"

was then colored with markers and oil paints between July 2013 and October 2015, but Ezra wasn't finished yet. With the help of a few web-savvy friends, the project was digitized for a website launch — complete with a historical fact related to each panel that the artist hopes will inspire residents to want to learn about what's already there, up close and personal instead of through a screen on their phone's browser.

He hopes to continue this vein of his work — eventually drawing the insides of the buildings included in this main project, featuring the stories of the residents running businesses and living in the area or more interactive pieces outside of CTA train stations. He hopes to display "Street Level" at the new Chicago Architecture Center or Chicago Cultural Center, where he's already made contact, in spring 2019. He's building his own hand-crank "televisions" to feed prints of all 160 feet through — viewers just having to turn the giant star knob on top to see the completed piece.

Until then, he hopes to show people their city "in brushstrokes" instead of through the lens of pricey attractions and status. Everything is of importance, everything has history — even what's seen as ordinary.

"When I was 8 years old, I would sit in my front yard and draw my house," Ezra says. "I'd put all kinds of information on it, too — like my name, my address, my age, the time I drew it — everything, 'cause I thought years from now some archaeologist would dig up my house portrait and it would help them."

"I think it's important what kinds of stories you have and it's important, when you're working on something, to always go beyond. Those stories being passed down really inspired me and I think it's part of my responsibility to push myself as far as I can. There's a lot of room to run on inspiring people to connect to their city in a smaller, more 'home town' kind of way. Don't just get on a train and disappear from your neighborhood."

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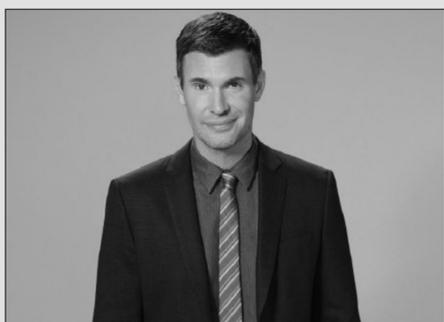
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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Jeff Lewis

"Flipping Out" (9:15 p.m., Bravo): House flipper Jeff Lewis continues to adjust to the demands of being a new father, relying on partner Gage Edward and loyal executive assistant Jenni Pulos to keep him on an even keel as this hit unscripted series returns for its 11th season. Baby daughter Monroe now is the top priority for both her dads, so Jeff decides to take on fewer clients and flip properties more efficiently — which proves easier said than done.

"The Outpost" (8 p.m., CW): Talon, Janzo and Garret's (Jessica Green, Anand Desai-Barochia, Jake Stormoen) mutual quest to find the elusive Book of Names forces them to venture into forbidden territory where dangers lurk in every conceivable direction — and a few inconceivable ones — in a new episode called "Beyond the Wall." Meanwhile, an army arrives at the gates to the Outpost. Imogen Waterhouse also stars.

"9/11: Escape From the Towers" (8 p.m., History): Each of the doomed World Trade Center towers comprised 110 floors, but this new two-hour documentary — premiering on the anniversary of the 2001 tragedy — gains much of its power through intimacy and specificity, by interviewing survivors who all were on a single floor in either the North or the South Tower. This approach yields personal accounts that are startling in their detail, as with one group struggling to get a pregnant co-worker to safety.

"Wrecked" (9 p.m., TBS): After one frustrating disappointment after another, the castaways fear they're about to learn that there's something worse than being a member of their survival party as the dreaded "Hunt Day" finally arrives in this new episode of that title. Owen, Danny, Steve (Zach Cregger, Brian Sacca, Rhys Darby) and the rest of their band brace themselves for the worst experience of their lives as they're forced to face off against one another in a battle royale to the death.

"The Purge" (9 p.m., USA): In a new episode called "Take What's Yours," an increasingly ambivalent Jane (Amanda Warren) pauses for an internal debate over the inherent morality of Purge as the hours count down to this year's consequence-free descent into anarchy. Elsewhere, Miguel (Gabriel Chavarria) goes searching for Pete the cop. Lee Tergeesen and Jessica Garza also star.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Andy Samberg; actor Nicole Byer; Dawes performs.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Matthew McConaughey; actor Norm Macdonald; Future performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

* Subject to change

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TUESDAY EVENING, SEP. 11

		MOVIES							
		PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS	2	NCIS: "Fallout." © 卐		Bull: "Reckless." © 卐		NCIS: New Orleans: "Checkmate, Part 1." 卐		News (N) 卐
	NBC	5	America's Got Talent: "Live Semi Finals 2." (N) (Live) © 卐				Brooklyn Nine-Nine Presents NBC Fall 2018 (N)		NBC 5 News (N) 卐
	ABC	7	Bachelor in Paradise: "After Paradise." (N) © 卐				Castaways: "My True Rescue." (N) © 卐		News at 10pm (N) 卐
	WGN	9	MLB Baseball: Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field in Chicago. © 卐						WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna	9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy
	This TV	9.3	† (6:30) Thelma & Louise (R,'91) *** ©				The Pope of Greenwich Village *** 卐		
	PBS	11	Chicago Tonight (N)		The Great American Read: "Fall Kick-off." (N)		American Masters © 卐		Frontline (N) © 卐
	The U	26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		Funny You	Million. (N)	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV	26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati		Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I	26.4	Star Trek: "Catspaw." ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek 卐
CABLE	Bounce	26.5	One on One	One on One	Snow Dogs (PG,'02) ** Cuba Gooding Jr.				Pride *** 卐
	FOX	32	Beat Shazam: "Episode Seven." (N) © 卐		Love Connection: "Michael & Diane." (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion	38	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds © 卐		Private 卐
	TeleM	44	† Exatlón EE. UU. (N)		Falsa identidad (N) ©		El señor de los cielos (N)		Chicago (N)
	CW	50	The Flash © 卐		The Outpost (N) ©		The X-Files: "William." ©		X-Files 卐
	UniMas	60	Fútbol Central		Vecinos	La jefa del campeón (N)	Vecinos		Velvet 卐
	WJYS	62	Israel	The Gospel	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Dr. T Felder	Paid Prog.	Monument
	Univ	66	El rico y Lázaro		La bella y las bestias		La piloto		Noticias (N)
	AE		The First 48 ©		The First 48 ©		(9:01) The First 48 ©		First 48 卐
	AMC		The Day After Tomorrow (PG-13,'04) ** Dennis Quaid. ©				(9:35) Deep Impact *** 卐		
ANIM		† River Monsters		Wild Africa: Rivers of Life: "Shaping the Earth." ©				River Mon 卐	
BBCA		The X-Files ©		The X-Files: "D.P.O." ©		The X-Files ©		X-Files 卐	
BET		† Girls Rock		The Bobby Brown Story: "Part 1."				B. Brown 卐	
BIGTEN		BTN Football in 60 ©		BIG Football (N)		Campus (N)	BTN Football in 60 ©		
BRAVO		Below Deck		Below Deck (N)		(9:15) Flipping Out (Season Premiere) (N)		Watch (N) 卐	
CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics	
CNBC		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark 卐	
CNN		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) 卐	
COM		Tosh.0 ©	Tosh.0 ©	Tosh.0 ©	Tosh.0 ©	Tosh.0 ©	Tosh.0 ©	Daily (N) 卐	
DISC		Alaskan Bush People: "Taking Charge." (N) ©						Treasure 卐	
DISN		Raven	Raven	Stuck	Stuck	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven	
E!		Model Squad (N) ©		The House Bunny (PG-13,'08) ** Anna Farris. ©				Baby Ma 卐	
ESPN		† E60 (N)		Soccer: International Friendly -- United States vs Mexico. (N) (Live) ©				SportCtr (N)	
ESPN2		NFL Live ©		Mano	E60 Presents: Comeback Season			Vans Park	
FNC		Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News	
FOOD		Chopped ©		Chopped (N) ©		Chopped: "Taco Time!"		Chopped 卐	
FREE		† I Said So		A Walk to Remember (PG,'02) ** Shane West, Mandy Moore. ©				700 Club 卐	
FX		† (6:30) Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13,'14) *** ©				Mayans M.C.: "Escorpión/Dzec." (N) ©			
HALL		Summer Nights Movie Countdown ©				Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	
HGTV		Fixer Upper ©		Desert (N)	Desert Flip	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters	
HIST		† 102 Minutes		9/11: Escape From the Towers (N) ©				102 Mins. 卐	
HLN		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
IFC		The Shawshank Redemption (R,'94) **** Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman. ©						Shaw 卐	
LIFE		Married (N)	Married (N)	Married at First Sight (N)		Seven Year Switch (N) ©		You © 卐	
MSNBC		All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
MTV		MTV Special ©		MTV Special ©		MTV Special ©		Special 卐	
NBCSCH		MLB Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Kansas City Royals. (N) (Live) ©						Postgame	
NICK		Frankie (N)	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	
OVATION		† (6:30) Field of Dreams (PG,'89) *** Kevin Costner.				When Harry Met Sally (R,'89) **** 卐			
OWN		The Haves, Nots		The Haves, Nots (N)		The Haves, Nots		The Haves 卐	
OXY		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago 卐	
PARMT		Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Ink Master (N) ©		Wanted (R) 卐	
SYFY		† (6) The Green Mile (R,'99) *** Tom Hanks, David Morse. ©						Futurama	
TBS		Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Wrecked (N)	Drop/Mic	Conan © 卐	
TCM		Coolley High (PG,'75) *** Glynn Turman.				Sounder (G,'72) **** Cicely Tyson. 卐			
TLC		Outdaughtered (N)		Outdaughtered (N)		(9:03) Rattled (Season Finale) (N)		Outdaugh. 卐	
TLN		Let Think	Wealth	Focus on	Difference	Life Today	Insights	Pictures 卐	
TNT		† Hunger Games		Maleficent (PG,'14) ** Angelina Jolie. ©				Boy Next 卐	
TOON		Dragon Ball	Dragon Ball	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV		Delicious	Delicious	Delicious (N)	Delicious (N)	Food Paradise (N) ©		Paradise (N)	
TVL		Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA		WWE SmackDown! (N) (Live) ©				The Purge (N) ©		Law-SVU 卐	
VH1		Love & Hip Hop		Love & Hip Hop		Love & Hip Hop		Ink 卐	
WE		Law & Order: "Blaze." ©		Law & Order: "Identity."		Law & Order: "Floater."		Law 卐	
WGN America		M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	Carte: "The Flood." (N)		M*A*S*H ©	
PREMIUM	HBO		Sherlock Holmes (PG-13,'09) ** Robert Downey Jr.		Ballers ©		(9:40) The Deuce © 卐		
	HBO2		Swiped: Hooking Up in the Digital Age		Real Time With Bill Maher		Hard Knocks		
	MAX		Date Night (PG-13,'10) ** Steve Carell.		Snatched (R,'17) ** Amy Schumer. ©		Outcast 卐		
	SHO		Shameless ©		Inside the NFL (N) ©		Kidding ©	Inside NFL 卐	
	STARZ		† (6:17) Shaft (R,'00) **		Power ©		(9:10) America to Me	Chain 卐	
STZNC		† Return/Lonesome Dove		(8:07) Return to Lonesome Dove ©		Return/Lonesome Dove 卐			

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Sept. 11): Write, publish and broadcast for growth this year. Edit for persuasive simplicity. Share a summer win before resolving a work and health puzzle that inspires dreams, visions and a sense of purpose. Passion takes you to new heights this winter. Talk about what you love.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Learn new tricks from your partner. Support each other through challenges. Creative change is possible. Get expert advice, and then do the work together.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Shake up your health and work routines with some fun action. Love could interrupt your fitness or business practices. Give in to your heart.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Romance takes priority over chores. Give in to a mutual attraction. Enjoy a moment of bliss even as chaos swirls. Home delights cradle your family.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Get family to help with a household matter. Resolve disagreements through communication. Listening is more powerful than speaking. Find practical solutions that work for all.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Keep an open mind, and listen to a variety of views. Communication gets you through the tricky spots. Profit from advancing a creative idea.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Keep deadlines and maintain positive cash flow. Stay determined despite setbacks. Patience supports your physical health and inner peace.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Grow your personal capacities by taking charge of a passion project. Follow plans and dreams long considered. Pace yourself. You've got this.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Reconsider assumptions or preconceptions. Learn about fun, happiness and satisfaction from friends and colleagues. Connect old dreams and possibilities with current circumstances. Listen to intuition.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Teamwork gets a job done. Talk is cheap; inspire others to act through your own efforts. Your work is gaining respect. Friends are there for you.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. You're becoming an expert. Things may not go as planned. Watch for professional opportunities hidden in changing circumstances.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Discover new views and perspectives. Plan your route to avoid traffic. Budget for efficient use of time and funds. Study and explore fresh concepts and ideas.

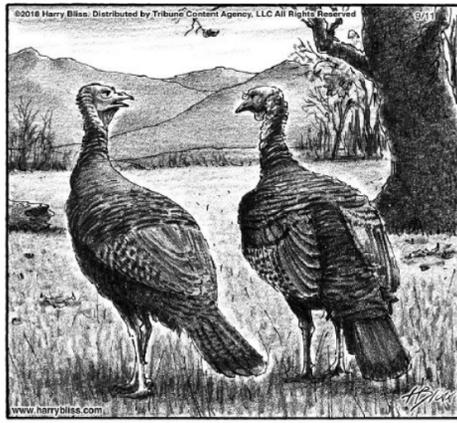
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Collaborate for shared gain. Support your partner with patience and a sense of humor. Offer or ask for help with a tough project. Clean up after.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, North deals

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

West
 ♠ 7 5 3 2
 ♥ K
 ♦ A 10 6 2
 ♣ K 9 4 2

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

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

You've shown a little something in hearts and partner has shown a little something in spades. What final contract would you pick with the North hand? Almost everyone, we believe, would bid four spades with the North hand, but this North, in a recent tournament in Europe, chose to bid three

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	All pass		

*Forcing
 Opening lead: Two of ♦

no trump. Note that he wasn't protecting his ace-queen of clubs. He would be putting his hand down as dummy and risking a potentially killing club lead through his hand.

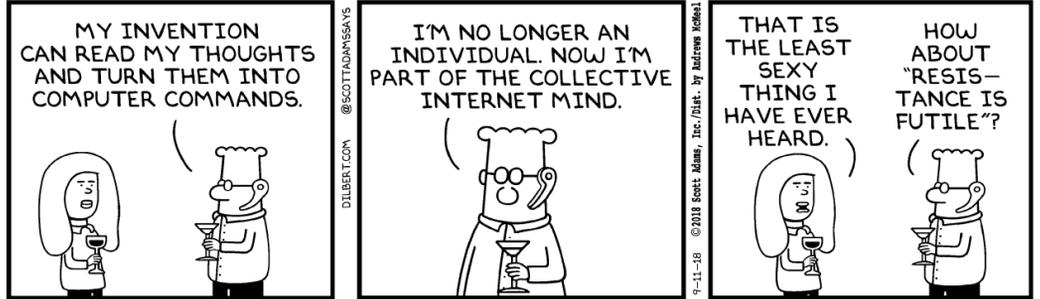
West led a diamond, not a club, and South won the first trick with the king. He led the queen of spades and overtook it with dummy's king, losing to East's ace. South was able to claim nine tricks a moment later when the defense could not take more than three diamond tricks.

At almost every other table, North played in four spades with a low heart lead. The contract could be made by rising with the ace of hearts and spearing the singleton king, but every declarer played low from dummy and lost the three obvious tricks plus a heart ruff for down one.

Was North just lucky or was he a genius? Let's call him a lucky genius!

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert



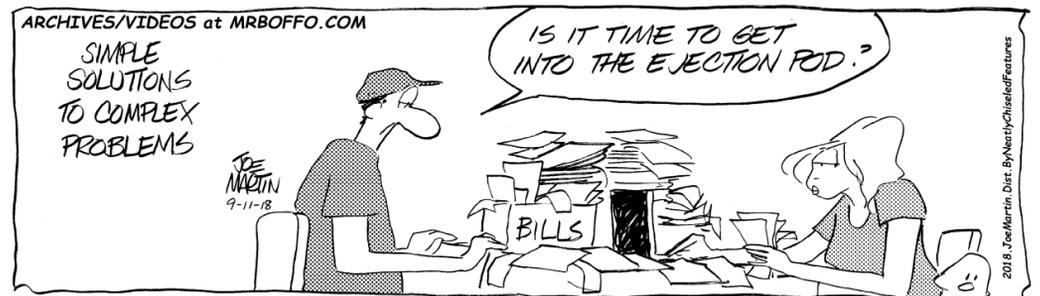
Baby Blues



Zits



Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



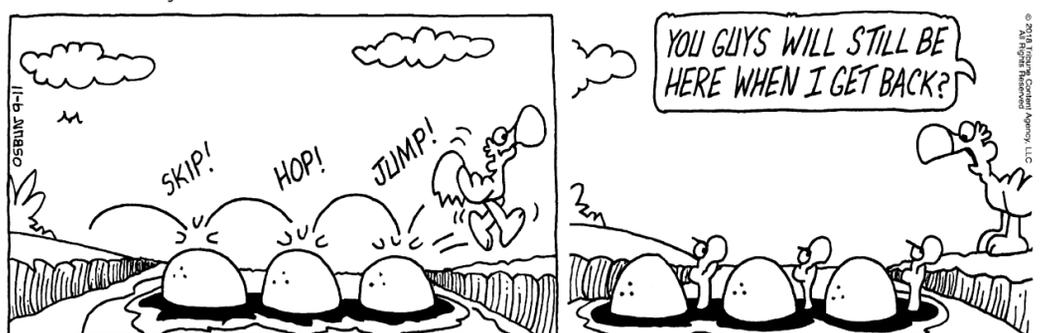
Pickles



Dick Tracy



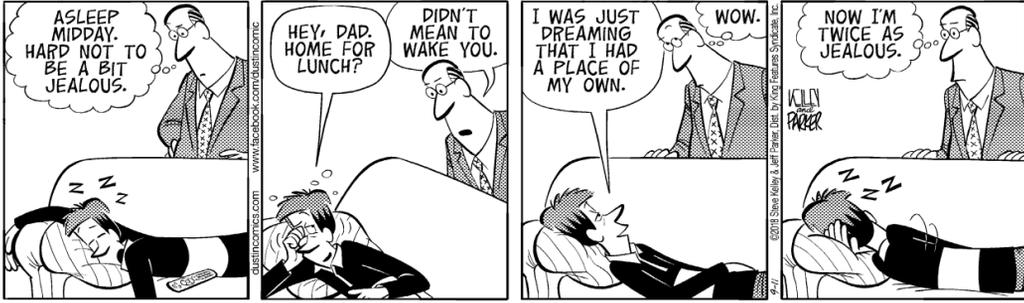
Animal Crackers



Prickly City



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



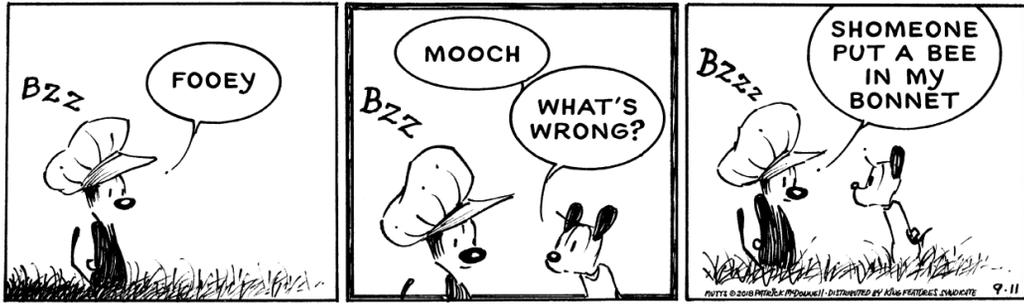
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Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



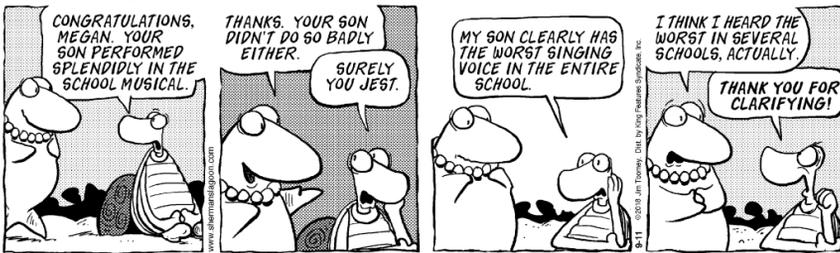
Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



WuMo By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



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Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



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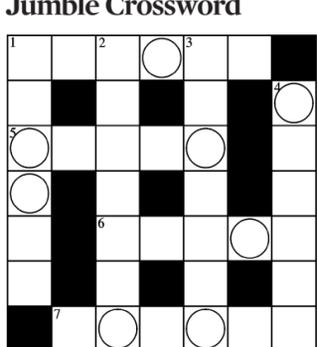


Trivia Bits

Which actor speaks this line? "I don't have money. But what I do have are a very particular set of skills — skills I have acquired over a very long career, skills that make me a nightmare for people like you."
 A) Bruce Willis "Die Hard"
 B) Harrison Ford in "Patriot Games"
 C) Mel Gibson in "Ransom"
 D) Liam Neeson in "Taken"

Monday's answer: Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz. © 2018 Leslie E. Man. Dist. by Creators.com

Jumble Crossword



9-11-18

CLUE: This character made his first appearance in 1935.

BONUS

CLUE ACROSS ANSWER
 1. ___ fence ETIPKC
 5. Rock GUPRO
 6. ___ Hubble WNEDI
 7. ___ car YRDHIB

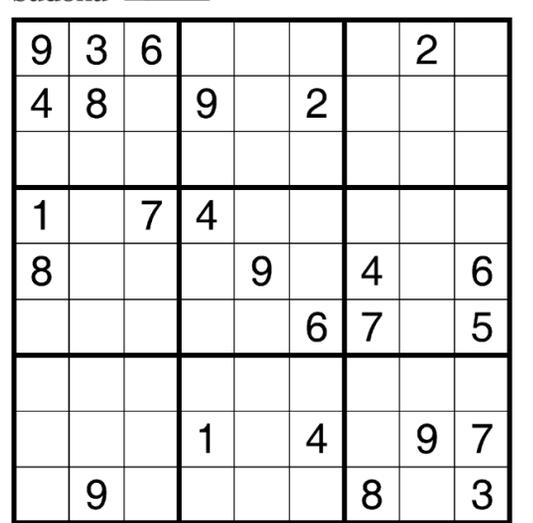
CLUE DOWN ANSWER
 1. Asian temple AAGPD
 2. Intimately LLYCESO
 3. Authorize EEMPRW
 4. Made smooth EPLNAD

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

ANSWERS: 1-A-Pickett 5-A-Group 6-A-Edwin 7-A-Hubble 1-D-Cloakly 2-D-Cloakly 3-D-Empower 4-D-Flanned 5-Forky Pig By David L. Hoyt.

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

9/11



9	4	2	7	1	8	3	6	5
7	1	6	5	3	4	2	8	9
3	8	5	9	6	2	7	1	4
8	7	4	6	2	9	1	5	3
6	2	1	4	5	3	9	7	8
5	9	3	1	8	7	6	4	2
2	6	9	8	7	5	4	3	1
4	5	7	3	9	1	8	2	6
1	3	8	2	4	6	5	9	7

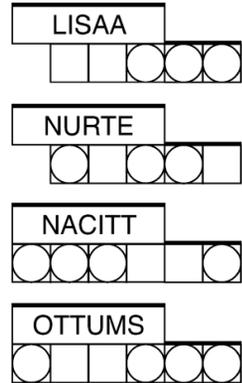
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Monday's solutions

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Jumble

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



Answer here



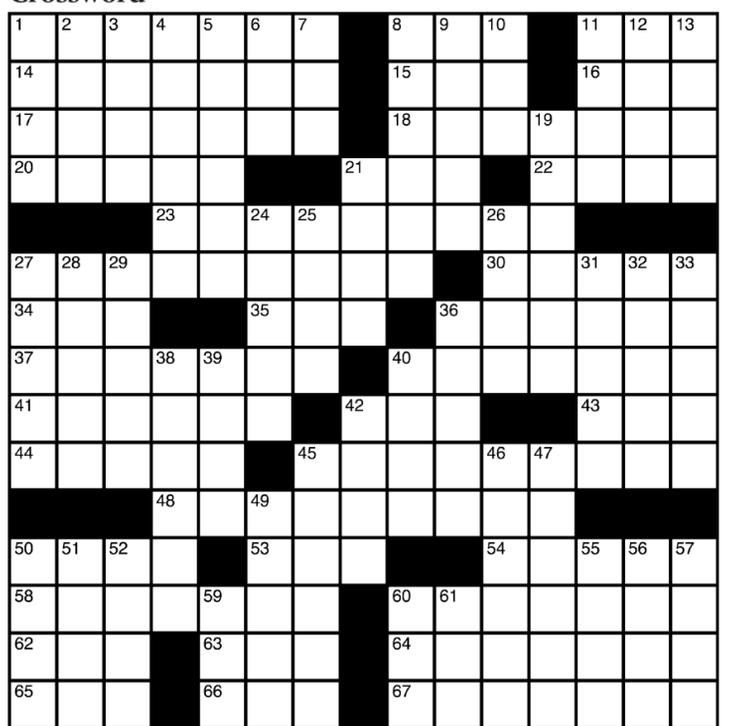
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Jumbles: PRIZE ORBIT RODENT FUNGUS
 Answer: They'd gotten a \$70 parking ticket, and now he was reading the — FINE PRINT

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Crossword

9/11



Across
 1 Setting for smooth sailing
 8 Aptly, it rhymes with "ahh"
 11 Cease and desist order?
 14 Stuffed oneself
 15 Pursue romantically
 16 Valuable metal
 17 "NCIS: Los Angeles" actress
 18 Court order?
 20 Remove varnish from
 21 NBC weekend fixture, briefly
 22 Distinctive flair
 23 Modern renewable fuel
 27 Reverse order?
 30 Assures the sad fate of
 34 Easy throw
 35 "Angie Tribeca" TV network
 36 "Help me out, will ya?" 37 Facilitates
 40 Bergen of "Murphy Brown"
 41 Stay behind
 42 Drunkard
 43 Dubai's fed.
 44 Former Russian rulers
 45 Money order?
 48 Words said with an extended fork
 50 Continent explored by Marco Polo
 53 Talk on and on
 54 Scalawag
 58 Work order?
 60 Shoe cushions
 62 Abbr. used to save space
 63 Not worth a ___
 64 Muzzle-loading gadgets
 65 Gag order?
 66 Kindle download
 67 Chart-reading exam
 12 Celestial bear
 13 High-schooler, typically
 19 Put another roll of film in
 21 Incites to attack, with "on"
 24 More than occasionally
 25 Blots gently
 26 Biblical garden
 27 Warning
 28 Scraps for Fido
 29 President between Bush and Trump
 31 Poppy product
 32 Gambling mecca near Hong Kong
 33 Catch some z's
 36 Cookie recipe yield
 38 Bill for drinks
 39 Bart Simpson's sister
 40 San Francisco's ___ Tower
 42 Dance move
 45 Postpone one's bedtime
 46 Pecking order?
 47 Go along with
 49 Online admin
 50 Quite some time
 51 "Family Guy" creator
 52 Nagging desire
 55 Sunburn reliever
 56 Rx items
 57 Sibillat summons
 59 NATO founding member
 60 Fury
 61 "Aye? Not!"

Monday's solution



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CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 11

NORMAL HIGH: 77° NORMAL LOW: 56° RECORD HIGH: 95° (1952) RECORD LOW: 42° (1993)

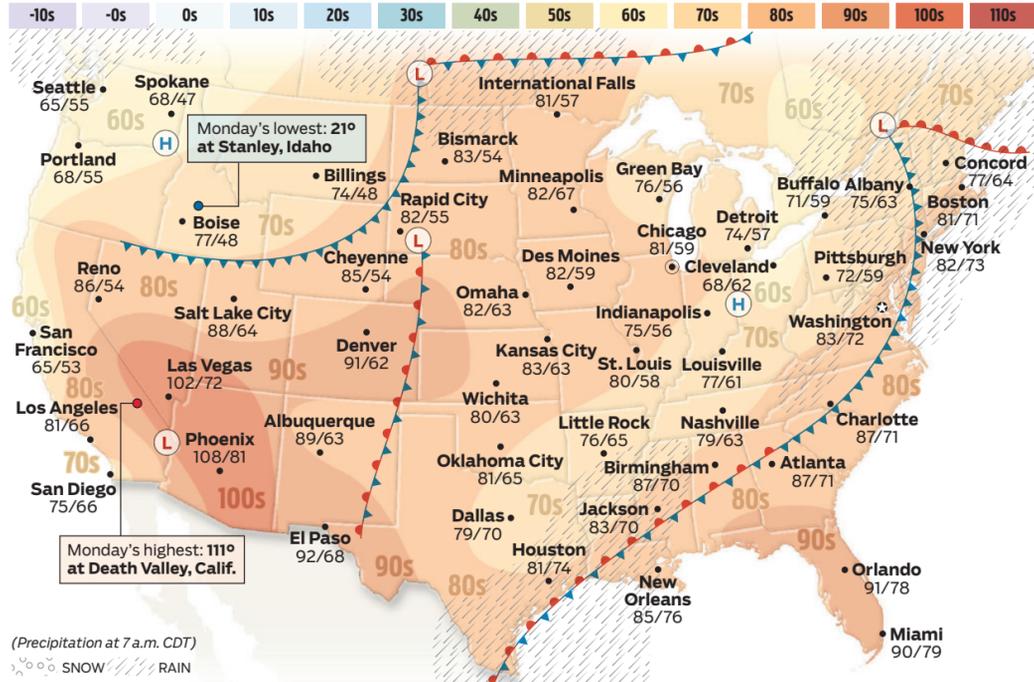
Warm, sunny days expected for rest of week

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 81 **LOW** 59

- Spell of tranquil weather begins, featuring mostly sunny, warm days, and clear cool nights.
- Cool, with patchy fog early. Sunrise temps range from the upper 40s and low 50s outlying suburbs, to low 60s downtown.
- Except for a few fair-weather cumuli, sunshine dominates day.
- Temps rise quickly, reaching afternoon highs around 80 degrees.
- Light S winds become E around 10 mph, cooling areas near the lake.
- Fair and cool again overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Forecasts covering the next seven days will seem repetitive since Chicago can expect a prolonged period of sunny, warm days. The warm spell will result from a stationary ridge of high pressure over the area, aided by the presence of Hurricane Florence, due to make landfall along the Carolinas later this week.

The high pressure will provide a very light wind regime as well as abundant sunshine. Our temperatures are expected to rise a few degrees each day heading into the weekend. By Thursday and Friday, readings will likely be at a mid-July level, with highs in some areas approaching 90 degrees. Dew points are to remain low, staying generally in the 50s. This will allow for seasonably cool nights, with morning lows mainly in the 50s across the outlying suburbs and 60s closer to the city.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

HIGH 83 **LOW** 60

High pressure anchors itself over the Midwest. Abundant sunshine, and dry, low dew point air allow temps to reach the low-mid 80s. Readings hold in the 70s along the lake. SE winds near 10 mph.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 13

HIGH 85 **LOW** 64

Weather stays unchanged, though a slow warming trend continues. Temps top out in the mid 80s most locations, but hold in the 70s along the North shore. SE winds around 10 mph.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 14

HIGH 88 **LOW** 65

Skies remain sunny under persistent area of high pressure. Highs climb to the mid-upper 80s. Light, variable winds turn onshore around 10 mph in the afternoon, lowering beach temps to the 70s.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 15

HIGH 87 **LOW** 66

Sunny, warm weather continues into weekend. Temps rise to upper 80s, with a few spots possibly touching the 90-degree mark. Cooler again lakeside. Light winds, with an afternoon lake breeze.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 16

HIGH 89 **LOW** 66

Little change. A modest rise in dew points may yield scattered midday and afternoon clouds, but sun remains abundant. Temps again reach the upper 80s, to near 90 degrees. Light winds.

MONDAY, SEPT. 17

HIGH 84 **LOW** 67

Weak front passes bringing little more than a few clouds. Temps remain well above normal, peaking in the mid 80s most areas. Continued fair and mild overnight.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 I have friends who have a house on the Atlantic Ocean in South Carolina. Their house was severely damaged by a hurricane a long time ago, and now they are losing land because the ocean is encroaching. How long will this continue before the ocean begins to recede?
 — Troy Vonsh, Chicago

Dear Troy,
 Your friends face an unfortunate situation that has no solution. The threat of hurricanes is ongoing, and it is a risk faced by all those (in the U.S.) who reside near the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean.

The rising ocean level is a problem that is becoming progressively more acute worldwide. Melting land ice and thermal expansion of warming ocean water are causing the rise, with no end in sight. Current projections of sea-level rise range from 2 feet (conservatively) to 8 feet by 2100, with further rises continuing after that.

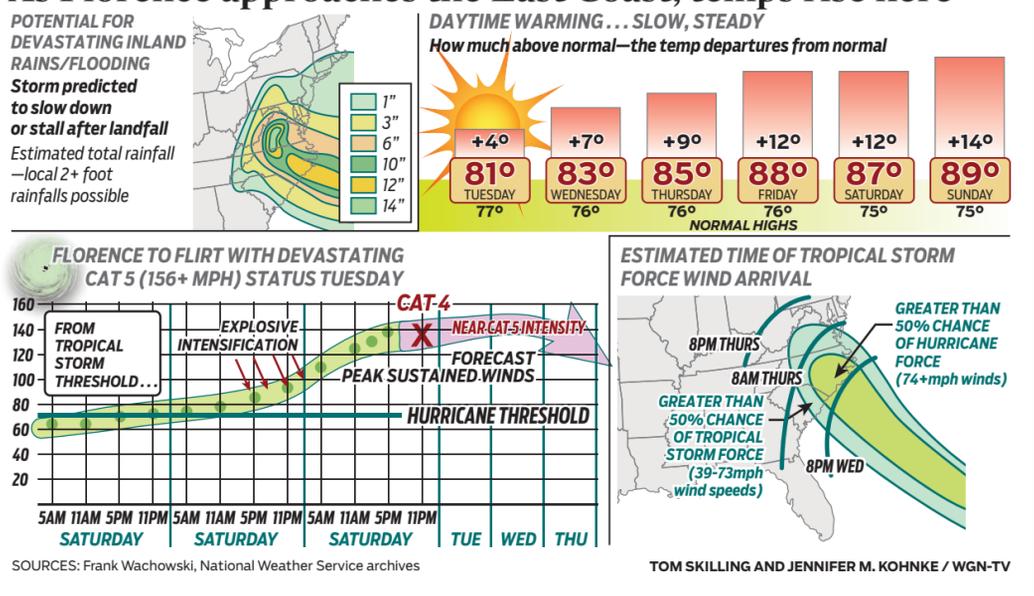
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As Florence approaches the East Coast, temps rise here



MIDWEST CITIES

TUES./WED.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	77	57	pc	78	60
Carbondale	pc	77	57	pc	78	60
Champaign	pc	77	57	pc	78	60
Decatur	pc	77	57	pc	78	60
Moline	su	81	57	su	81	58
Peoria	su	79	57	su	79	58
Quincy	su	82	59	su	79	59
Rockford	su	77	55	su	78	55
Springfield	pc	80	58	su	79	58
Sterling	su	79	55	su	79	56
Indiana	cl	75	55	cl	76	59
Bloomington	pc	77	59	cl	78	62
Evansville	pc	77	59	cl	78	62
Fort Wayne	pc	75	53	pc	75	57
Indianapolis	cl	75	56	pc	75	61
Lafayette	pc	76	53	pc	77	58
South Bend	pc	76	54	pc	76	56
Wisconsin	su	76	56	su	77	55
Green Bay	su	76	56	su	77	55
Kenosha	su	75	57	su	76	57
La Crosse	su	80	61	su	82	60
Madison	su	76	56	su	79	59
Milwaukee	su	76	57	su	77	57
Wausau	pc	76	57	pc	78	57
Michigan	pc	74	57	pc	76	63
Detroit	pc	77	56	pc	78	63
Grand Rapids	pc	77	56	pc	78	63
Marquette	pc	79	60	pc	79	59
St. Ste. Marie	pc	75	56	pc	77	58
Traverse City	su	77	57	su	78	58
Iowa	su	81	59	su	81	59
Ames	su	82	59	su	80	58
Cedar Rapids	su	80	57	su	80	58
Des Moines	su	82	59	su	81	61
Dubuque	su	79	57	su	80	57
El Paso	su	92	68	su	95	69

OTHER U.S. CITIES

TUES./WED.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	ts	75	63	ts	80	66
Albuquerque	pc	81	65	pc	85	69
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Albuquerque	pc	81	65	pc	85	69
Amarillo	su	86	60	su	89	62
Anchorage	pc	65	51	pc	67	48
Ashville	ts	80	66	ts	82	66
Aspen	pc	77	47	pc	78	47
Atlanta	cl	87	71	cl	88	72
Atlantic City	ts	82	73	ts	82	72
Austin	ts	83	71	ts	86	72
Baltimore	pc	87	72	pc	85	74
Billings	pc	74	48	pc	73	52
Birmingham	cl	87	70	cl	90	72
Bismarck	pc	83	54	pc	74	56
Boise	pc	77	48	pc	77	49
Boston	ts	81	71	ts	74	68
Brownsville	ts	90	77	ts	92	77
Buffalo	sh	71	59	sh	78	62
Burlington	pc	84	69	pc	89	71
Charlottesville	ts	87	71	ts	87	71
Charlton SC	ts	87	74	ts	87	74
Charlton WV	sh	75	61	sh	81	66
Chattanooga	pc	84	69	pc	89	71
Cheyenne	pc	85	54	pc	88	54
Cincinnati	cl	74	58	cl	77	62
Cleveland	sh	68	62	sh	74	67
Colo. Spgs	pc	88	59	pc	89	59
Columbia	pc	83	59	pc	87	60
Columbia MO	pc	83	59	pc	87	60
Columbia SC	ts	92	74	ts	90	73
Columbus	cl	73	58	cl	78	64
Concord	ts	77	64	ts	74	61
Corps Christi	ts	84	75	ts	87	76
Dallas	sh	79	70	sh	85	72
Daytona Bch.	pc	90	77	pc	89	76
Denver	pc	91	62	pc	94	61
Duluth	pc	79	68	pc	75	65
El Paso	su	92	68	su	95	69
Fairbanks	pc	62	44	pc	57	40
Fargo	pc	86	57	pc	83	68
Flagstaff	su	77	47	pc	76	45
Fort Myers	cl	92	77	cl	91	76
Fort Smith	pc	84	67	pc	85	69
Fresno	su	91	61	su	88	56
Grand Junc.	su	92	61	su	92	59
Great Falls	pc	71	47	pc	65	43
Harrisburg	ts	78	68	ts	83	71
Hartford	ts	82	69	ts	78	68
Helena	pc	71	48	pc	68	66
Honolulu	sh	89	77	sh	83	76
Houston	ts	81	74	ts	84	75
Int'l Falls	pc	81	57	pc	72	63
Jackson	ts	83	70	ts	85	71
Jacksonville	pc	91	77	pc	89	76
Juneau	pc	68	43	pc	63	46
Kansas City	pc	83	63	pc	83	63
Las Vegas	su	102	72	su	98	72
Lexington	sh	75	60	sh	79	64
Lincoln	su	82	63	su	83	65
Little Rock	sh	76	65	sh	80	66
Los Angeles	pc	81	66	pc	80	64
Los Angeles	pc	81	66	pc	80	64
Louisville	cl	77	61	cl	79	65
Macon	ts	92	72	ts	91	71
Memphis	cl	80	66	sh	83	68
Miami	pc	88	59	pc	89	59
Minneapolis	su	82	67	su	83	65
Mobile	ts	87	74	ts	80	75
Montgomery	ts	89	72	ts	91	73
New Orleans	ts	85	76	ts	87	77
New York	ts	82	73	ts	82	73
Norfolk	pc	81	65	pc	82	68
Okla. City	pc	82	63	pc	83	65
Omaha	cl	91	78	cl	91	78
Orlando	cl	91	78	cl	91	78
Palm Beach	pc	91	79	pc	90	78
Palm Springs	su	107	74	su	105	71
Philadelphia	ts	82	71	ts	84	71
Phoenix	su	108	81	su	106	79
Pittsburgh	sh	72	59	sh	79	66
Portland, ME	sh	71	64	sh	72	63
Portland, OR	pc	68	55	pc	66	50
Providence	ts	81	70	ts	77	66
Raleigh	ts	89	72	pc	89	71
Rapid City	pc	82	55	pc	82	56
Reno	pc	86	54	pc	77	47
Richmond	ts	87	71	ts	86	70
Rochester	sh	74	60	pc	77	61
Sacramento	su	88	54	pc	77	52
Salmon, Ore.	sh	68	54	sh	66	48
Salt Lake City	su	88	64	su	83	62
San Antonio	ts	83	73	ts	87	74
San Diego	pc	75	66	pc	76	65
San Francisco	su	65	53	pc	62	52
Santa Fe	su	88	78	pc	89	79
Santa Juan	su	81	56	su	81	54
Savannah	ts	89	74	ts	87	73
Seattle	pc	80	55	pc	83	65
Shreveport	sh	79	71	ts	86	72
Sioux Falls	pc	81	66	pc	79	66
Spokane	pc	68	47	pc	67	45
St. Louis	su	83	59	pc	83	65
Syracuse	sh	75	60	cl	77	61
Tallahassee	su	81	66	pc	89	79
Tampa	sh	92	77	ts	92	77
Tucson	su	83	59	pc	83	65
Tulsa	su	101	75	pc	101	74
Tulsa	su	84	66	pc	85	70
Washington	ts	83	72	ts	85	74
Wichita	pc	80	63	pc	82	67
Wilkes Barre	ts	70	61	ts	74	64
Yuma	su	107	76	su	107	75

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