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GAME 163: BREWERS 3, CUBS 1



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Fans react after the Brewers' Ryan Braun delivered an RBI single during the eighth inning of Monday's National League Central tie-breaker game against the Cubs at Wrigley Field. The Brewers won 3-1 to take the division title.

After hostile takeover, an unenviable position

Brewers, fans make presence felt at Wrigley Field, putting Cubs on the brink in a win-or-else game

It's hard to pinpoint exactly when the changing of the guard began, but Labor Day 2018 seems like the obvious starting point.

That was the day the Cubs lost to the Brewers at Miller Park and Cole Hamels threw shade at Milwaukee for not supporting its team the way Chicago backs the Cubs.

"When you have majority Cubs fans in the stands, I don't know if that's a rivalry yet,"



PAUL SULLIVAN

Hamel said afterward. "They're not going to like me for the comment, but you can look at the ticket sales. I think when they start getting a little

bit closer and their fans sell out, I think that's kind of the understanding."

Fast-forward to Monday afternoon at Wrigley Field, when thousands of fans in the crowd of 38,450 were chanting "Let's go Brewers!" early and often in Milwaukee's 3-1 win over the Cubs in Game 163.

The loss in the tiebreaker handed the underdog Brewers the National League Central title and sent the Cubs into a

NL wild-card game

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do-or-die wild-card game Tuesday against the Colorado Rockies.

In a game of utmost importance to the Cubs, their nonchalant fans allowed their

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Players, fans deal with climate change-ups

Cold spells, heavier rainfalls make for some scheduling nightmares

BY TONY BRISCOE
Chicago Tribune

The seats were sparse at last week's rain-delayed match against the Pittsburgh Pirates, rain ponchos were the attire of the day and the tarp over the infield was peppered by driving rain. It's been a common sight at Wrigley Field and ballparks across the country this year.

In the 2018 season, 53 games have been postponed because of weather, tied for the second

JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
A mallard stands on the tarp during a rain delay before a game between the Cubs and White Sox at Wrigley Field in May.

most since Major League Baseball began keeping track in 1986. It wasn't just rainouts that disrupted the schedule but a lingering April cold snap in the Midwest and Northeast that resulted in 28 games postponed that month — an all-time high.

Of course, no one can control the weather. But some fans wonder how much these postponements could be mitigated by increased attention to forecasts and scheduling around regional weather. The climate is changing, and as the atmosphere warms, scientists say

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NATION & WORLD

Major trade victory touted by Trump, Trudeau

President Donald Trump hailed his revamped North American trade agreement with Canada and Mexico as a breakthrough for U.S. workers Monday, vowing to sign it by late November.

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'TOOTSIE' ★★★½

'Tootsie' tryout triumphs onstage

Santino Fontana stars as the out-of-work actor Michael who becomes Dorothy in this stage musical adaptation of the 1982 comedy movie. In this pre-Broadway tryout in Chicago, he's brilliant. But it's not just Fontana; "Tootsie" gets so much right.

Chris Jones, A+E

Cook watchdog: 'Scheme to defraud' saved Pritzker \$330K in property taxes

Doesn't fault Berrios ties; Rauner team pounces

BY TODD LIGHTY,
HAL DARDICK
AND MIKE RIOPELL
Chicago Tribune

Billionaire Democratic gubernatorial nominee J.B. Pritzker improperly received \$330,000 in property tax breaks on one of his Gold Coast mansions as part of a

"scheme to defraud" taxpayers, Cook County's top watchdog concluded.

Inspector General Patrick Blanchard's finding came in a report issued after his office looked into whether Pritzker's relationship with Assessor Joe Berrios played a role in Pritzker's property taxes being lowered.

During the investigation, Blanchard found that Pritzker's wife, M.K. Pritzker, asked a contractor in 2015 to remove the mansion's five toilets to make the home uninhabitable so it could be reassessed at a lower value. M.K. Pritzker's brother and her personal assistant later made "false representations" in sworn affidavits to the assessor about the mansion's condition and

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Judge Brett Kavanaugh is sworn in at a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on Sept. 27.

TOM WILLIAMS/ROLL CALL

Kavanaugh and the 'little white-male-privilege lies'



REX HUPPKE

I'm going to have ask people to stop accusing Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh of lying under oath. It's really getting in the way of him becoming a Supreme Court justice, which is something he is entitled to because he went to Yale University, was good at sports and likes beer.

He is also white and a man in a position of great power, characteristics that entitle him to a certain number of lies that don't count. I thought everybody knew about these permissible lies, but apparently not. They're called "little white-male-privilege lies" and are defined as: Lies about things a powerful white man deems small or unimportant, told to avoid hurting that same powerful white man's ambitions.

You know the lies I'm talking about. During last week's hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee regarding a sexual assault allegation by California psychology professor Christine Blasey Ford, Kavanaugh answered a number of questions under oath with what now seem to be clear falsehoods.

He claimed that certain terms in his high school yearbook — like "boof" and "devil's triangle" — did not mean what anyone who was either a teenager in the 1980s or has access to Google knows they mean. He also said a reference he

and several of his male friends made to being alumni of a woman from a nearby all-girls school was intended to "show affection," something that the now-adult woman described as "horrible, hurtful and simply untrue."

He claimed he got into Yale with no connections, though his grandfather went to the university as an undergraduate. He testified that he never attended a party like the one where Ford claims the assault happened — she said it was

small, just a handful of people drinking at a house

— but on the 1982 calendar Kavanaugh gave the committee as evidence, there's an entry that describes a beer-drinking appointment with a small group of friends at someone's house.

Kavanaugh also went to great lengths to downplay his drinking in high school and college — relevant because Ford and other accusers claim Kavanaugh was drunk when he sexually assaulted them — saying that his good grades are evidence that rampant boozing couldn't have been possible.

All people had to do was just believe the things Kavanaugh said, and then he could have taken his white-f ... excuse me, rightful ... place on the Supreme Court.

But no, people unfamiliar with little white-male-privilege lies had to start selfishly suggesting that a man testifying under oath while being considered for a lifetime appointment to the highest court in the land shouldn't be lying about seemingly trivial

matters.

Consider the latest person to come forward and brazenly suggest that Kavanaugh was not entirely truthful about his history of drinking.

Chad Ludington, a classmate of Kavanaugh's at Yale and now an associate professor of history at North Carolina State University, released a statement saying:

"For the fact is, at Yale, and I can speak to no other times, Brett was a frequent drinker, and a heavy drinker. I know, because, especially in our first two years of college, I often drank with him. On many occasions I heard Brett slur his words and saw him staggering from alcohol consumption, not all of which was beer. When Brett got drunk, he was often belligerent and aggressive. On one of the last occasions I purposely socialized with Brett, I witnessed him respond to a semi-hostile remark, not by defusing the situation, but by throwing his beer in the man's face and starting a fight that ended with one of our mutual friends in jail."

It is extremely impolite for Ludington, who says he will share his story with the FBI as it investigates allegations against Kavanaugh, to come forward and suggest: "If he lied about his past actions on national television, and more especially while speaking under oath in front of the United States Senate, I believe those lies should have consequences."

C'mon, Chad! You're a former varsity basketball player from an Ivy League university, and a white dude. You must know about

little white-male-privilege lies. Kavanaugh gets a mulligan for these!

I'm not sure exactly how many little white-male-privilege lies a graduate of Yale's law school gets, but it's bound to be more than the number of small lies Kavanaugh told during last week's hearing. President Donald Trump went to the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and he appears to have gotten an infinite number of free lies.

Anyway, it's preposterous that people are suggesting Kavanaugh may have perjured himself. Perjury, in this case, is a liberal construct, and it doesn't apply to a man like Kavanaugh telling small lies in the furtherance of his career.

Since when is a Yale-educated, white, male Supreme Court nominee not allowed to massage the truth a bit to secure the lifetime appointment to which he is clearly entitled?

In a "60 Minutes" interview over the weekend, Republican Sen. Jeff Flake — who helped Democrats secure an additional FBI investigation into the allegations against Kavanaugh — appeared with Democratic Sen. Chris Coons.

The senators were asked: "If Judge Kavanaugh is shown to have lied to the committee, nomination's over?"

"Oh, yes," Flake said.

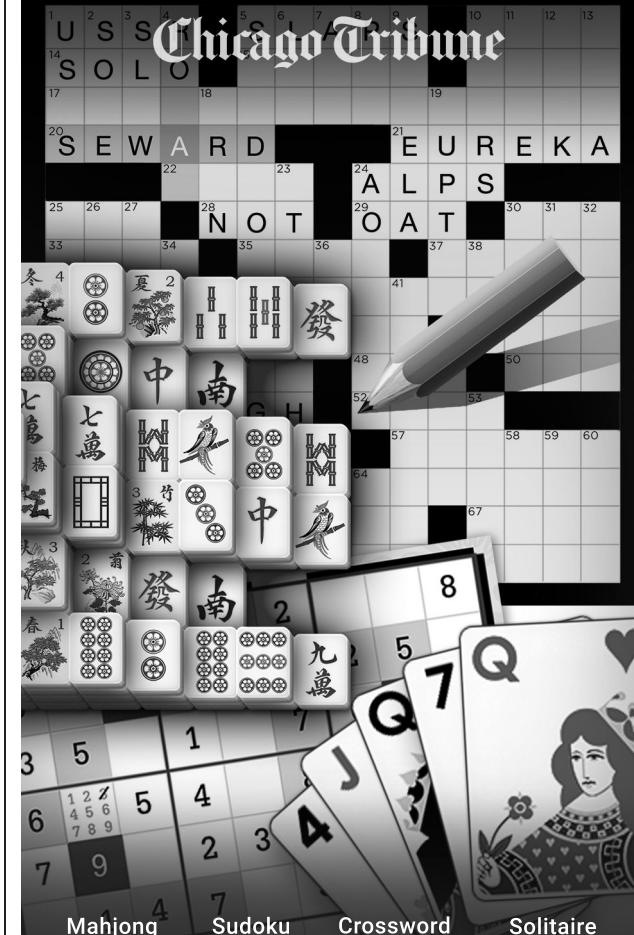
"I would think so," Coons said.

Good thing Kavanaugh only told little white-male-privilege lies. Otherwise he might be in big trouble.

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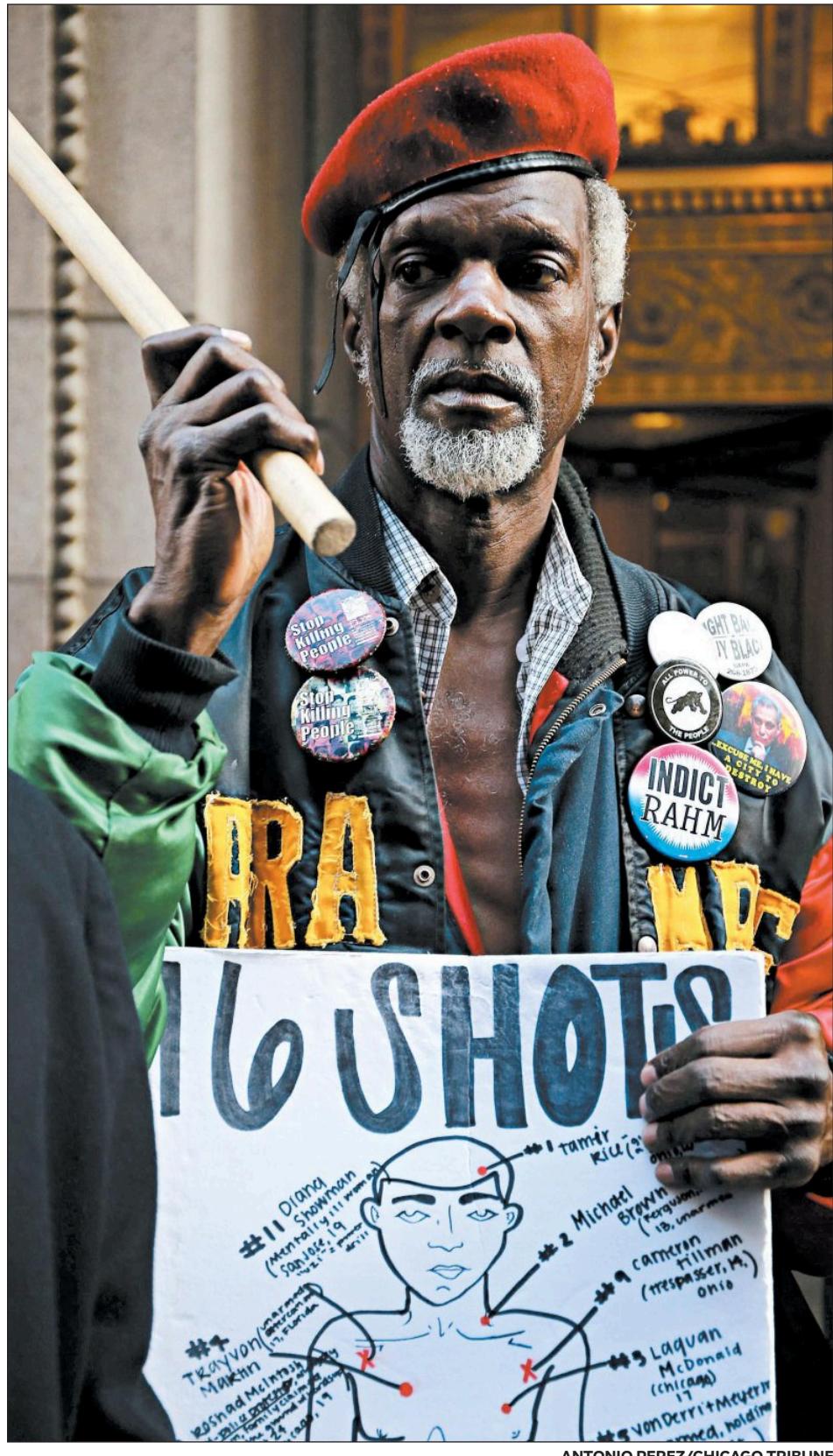
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With a flag and a microphone, protester demands justice in Van Dyke trial



Bobby Scott, aka Brother West Side, joins dozens of protesters as they march around City Hall in 2015 to protest police shootings and rally for justice for Laquan McDonald.



DAHLEEN GLANTON

Sometimes the man with the gray beard is the only one out there, standing behind the metal barricade waving a red, black and green flag in one hand and holding a microphone in the other.

His black felt beret, with an emblem of a raised fist on the side, sits atop his black satin do-rag. He purchased the Black Panther Party hat years ago at a thrift shop on the West Side. He has never been a Black Panther, but he likes it when young people assume that he was.

Since Officer Jason Van Dyke's first-degree murder trial began last month, only a trickle of protesters has gathered outside the Cook County courthouse, far from the crowds that were initially expected.

Only "Brother West Side" has been a constant fixture on the sidewalk, sometimes taunting and sometimes mingling with police officers charged with keeping protesters at bay. His is the voice you hear when approaching the building, shouting "Justice for Laquan" and "No justice, no peace."

His name is Bobby Scott, but no one calls him that. In his 72 years, he has had his own run-ins with the law, mostly when he was a young man. But activists don't always have a perfect record.

Politicians, other activists and even some police officers stop to shake the hand of the man they know as Brother West Side. These days, they describe him as a "good man," a "stand-up man," someone who believes in fighting for justice.

Scott is quick to remind

"We want people to understand that Laquan wasn't even a man yet. He was a kid. He was our future."

—Bobby Scott,
aka Brother West Side

them that the movement is not about him. It is about speaking for those who can no longer speak for themselves. It is about seeing to it that bad cops are weeded out and removed from the streets.

"We don't need no maniac cop on the street," he said. "They've got our kids and grandkids scared of the police. That's not good."

In many ways, Scott symbolizes the pain and anger of the black community over Laquan McDonald's death. But he also is a reminder of the uncertain hope people have that justice will prevail.

For Scott, justice translates to only one thing — a conviction. He's not concerned whether Van Dyke serves time for first-degree murder or some of the 16 counts of aggravated assault he faces.

What he wants is simply accountability.

"You can't bring a knife to a gunfight," Scott said, suggesting that McDonald, who was armed with a knife, had no chance against a police officer armed with a semi-automatic pistol. "I want him to testify and confess like you confess to a priest."

Barring that, he would like to see Van Dyke apologize.

The apology, he acknowledged, would not only be for McDonald's family. It would also be for

the African-American community.

"It seems like every black man is a target," Scott said. "I'm tired of babies dying and mothers crying."

If there is an anti-violence protest in Chicago, expect to see Brother West Side in the crowd. He was there when protesters shut down a portion of the Dan Ryan Expressway. He marched with the group on Lake Shore Drive. And he was among those who attempted to shut down O'Hare International Airport.

"Stuff happens when people don't get involved," he said.

You will know him, not only by his Black Panther beret and his Black Nationalist flag, but his T-shirts that display messages of unity. Monday he chose to wear his shirt backward. On the front it said, "Stop the Shooting" and on the back, "Stop killing and shooting. Think twice. We are the same color."

Scott takes the Green Line and then the bus to the courthouse, arriving by 8 a.m. so he can be in place when Van Dyke arrives, surrounded by police. He shouts out to the officer, but there is never a response.

He doesn't like it when young people call the police "pigs." That's disrespectful and cannot be tolerated, he said. He prefers peaceful demonstrations because, he said, they allow people to hear what you're trying to say.

It doesn't matter to him whether there are hundreds of people protesting beside him or whether he stands alone. The message does not change.

"We want people to understand that Laquan wasn't even a man yet. He was a kid. He was our future."

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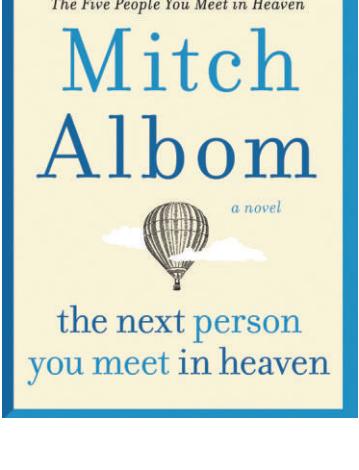
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Blanchard, who declined to comment about his findings, recommended in his report that the assessor's office try to recover the money. In describing the alleged scheme, the inspector general also included references to the state perjury law, and the federal conspiracy and mail fraud statutes. Blanchard, however, stopped short of saying whether he referred the matter to law enforcement.

Blanchard's report comes just five weeks before Election Day, and Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner's political team immediately seized on it as a campaign issue.

J.B. Pritzker, who had just finished a Monday afternoon campaign event with former presidential nominee Hillary Clinton, told reporters that “we followed the rules” and suggested the release of Blanchard's report was a political hit.

“This is an internal, confidential document by the inspector general's office, which was looking into the assessor's office, that was leaked for political purposes in this last month of a campaign,” Pritzker said.

Pritzker, who owns side-by-side mansions on North Astor Street, had begun a \$24 million renovation on the properties and a carriage house in 2006. Work halted in 2010 during a dispute with the general contractor that ended up in court.

“About halfway through that renovation project, we halted, not knowing which direction the home should go, whether we should rent it out or maybe put it up for sale,” Pritzker said. “And we sought a property tax reassessment, we received that reassessment, and then subsequently we restarted the renovation project.”

Pritzker said Monday he no longer receives tax breaks on the mansion. The candidate did not directly respond to questions about the report's contention that his wife instructed that the toilets be removed to make the mansion uninhabitable to lower their taxes.

M.K. Pritzker, her brother Thomas Muenster and her personal assistant, Christine Lovely, could not be reached for comment.

Tom Shaer, spokesman for Berrios, said the office had not seen Blanchard's report and could not comment. A spokeswoman for Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx said the office had not seen the report and offered no further comment.

Blanchard's report does not say whether he attempted to interview the Pritzkers or Muenster and Lovely. But Blanchard's office did interview the renovation project's manager, the project's structural engineer and the plumber, among others.

Through a subpoena, Blanchard obtained a key email that forms the backbone of his report. The Oct. 5, 2015, email is between the project manager for contractor Bulley & Andrews and a vice president for F.J. Kerrigan Plumbing about the Pritzker mansion that was being renovated.

“MK (Pritzker) is now getting back into the task of cleaning up (the mansion). She is going to have the house re-assessed as an uninhabitable structure,” according to the email from the project manager. “To do this, she would like to have us pull all toilets and cap all toilet lines in the house. Then after the assessment, she would like us to put the 1st Floor toilet back in and have this as the one functioning bathroom in the place (she will then be finishing out the front room for JB's hangout meeting area.”

Days later, Muenster sought a retroactive property tax break from 2012 through 2014. Appraisals and affidavits were submitted as part of the Pritzker effort to get the tax breaks.

The appraisal noted that “there were no functioning bathrooms in the house since all the toilets were removed,” adding that there were appliances in the “cooks' kitchen” in the basement. It also

noted that one stairway banister was braced and another one “sloped noticeably to the right side.”

Blanchard's report goes on to describe what he calls “false representation in affidavits” submitted to the assessor by Muenster and Lovely. Their affidavits state that “there are no functioning bathrooms or kitchen. The interior stairwells are unsound.”

Lovely's affidavit was notarized by Elizabeth “Beth” Stolberg, who is identified in the report as J.B. Pritzker's executive assistant.

Blanchard said the thrust of the affidavits was that there were no working bathrooms from January 2012 to mid-October 2015. However, Blanchard noted, the toilets were removed “per the instructions of M.K. Pritzker” just 10 days before the affidavits were submitted as part of the property tax appeal. Berrios' office lowered the 6,378-square-foot mansion's assessed value from \$6.3 million to about \$1.1 million.

The county ultimately fell victim to a scheme to defraud, executed in part through the use of the affidavits, and which resulted in the property owner ultimately receiving property tax refunds totaling \$132,747.18 for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014, as well as additional tax savings of \$198,684.85 for the years 2015 and 2016, Blanchard concluded in his 33-page report, which was dated Friday.

Blanchard launched his investigation after a May 2017 Chicago Sun-Times story that detailed the property tax appeal.

The inspector general's report comes amid Rauner's repeated attempts to portray Pritzker as “corrupt.”

The report, however, states that “no credible evidence” was found that Assessor Berrios' relationship with Pritzker led to the tax break. Berrios, as the former chairman of the Cook County Democratic Party, played a key role in Pritzker's endorsement for governor in the Democratic primary.

Rauner has used the issue of the toilets in past advertising that accused Pritzker of being a “tax cheat.” One ad featured workers carrying toilets out of a mansion as a Pritzker lookalike wore a crown as an announcer dubbed him the “porcelain prince of tax avoidance.” Another ad touted a faux “Pritzker Plumbing” company to “disconnect your toilets” and “dodge your taxes.”

“This inspector general report proves what we knew all along — J.B. Pritzker is a fraud,” Rauner campaign spokesman Will Allison said. “From the very beginning, Pritzker was devising a corrupt scheme to defraud Illinois taxpayers by ripping toilets out of his mansion.”

Blanchard identified a number of potential improvements in assessor's office operations, including a “veracity check” on claims made in affidavits — given that the inspector sent out to look at the mansion said he could not get inside to verify the conditions outlined in the affidavits.

Blanchard also suggested that in the interests of honest and fair assessments that the office, which has sustained a series of layoffs amid county budget cuts in recent years, have “adequate staff.” He also suggested more formal, written guidelines for decisions made by office staff.

And Blanchard recommended the office have “knowledgeable and experienced appraisers on staff” to review outside appraisals submitted to the office and establishing a requirement that interior inspections be required during field checks of expensive properties. “Better scrutiny is needed of high-value properties seeking multimillion-dollar assessment reductions, particularly those purporting to be ‘vacant and uninhabitable,’ ” Blanchard wrote.

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But the brothers knew his father was dead, according to Cook County prosecutors. They had lured the elder Kethireddy to their apartment and killed him as the Rolling Meadows grandfather was making his rounds collecting rent money at various properties.

The brothers used the cover of night to dump the body into the sewer in front of Kethireddy's apartment building in the 6200 block of South May Street, prose-

cutors said. Authorities discovered the remains after someone used one of the brother's phones to search online how long it took a body to decompose in sewer water.

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When he met them Aug. 8 at their apartment, Kethireddy said the brothers embraced him. “These were two brothers that were shaking my hand and giving me hugs, expressing their condolences,” he told reporters as he stood with community activist Andrew Holmes. “These are two brothers that have expressed a complete lack of morality, and I'm hoping in their jail sentence maybe they'll find some humanity.”

The brothers were arrested over the weekend after Kethireddy's body was pulled from the

sewer Friday. Rolling Meadows police, who began a missing persons investigation in August, were able to obtain the victim's phone and financial records.

They began working with Chicago police and city water department officials after learning of the online search on a phone belonging to Tony Green.

Prosecutors said a witness overheard the brothers planning Kethireddy's murder the day before it allegedly happened on Aug. 4.

Tony Green was to lure Kethireddy to the apartment for a leaky roof, Assistant State's Attorney Jamison Berger said. Green had called him several times the day before and on the day of the murder, he said. When Kethireddy arrived that Saturday, Tony Green led him to the rear of the apartment while Elijah snuck up behind and grabbed the older man in a chokehold until he died, Berger said.

A witness saw Elijah Green bringing Kethireddy's body out the back door, then both brothers carrying it to the back seat of the

victim's white 2005 Toyota Prius. The brothers took \$1,600 in cash from Kethireddy's car and his credit cards, which were later used at businesses near the brothers' apartment building, according to Berger.

Unable to find a place to dump the body, they returned home and left it in the car covered by a sheet. Later that evening, they parked the Prius in front of their apartment and lifted a sewer lid and placed Kethireddy's body inside, Berger said.

After the hearing, a girlfriend of one of the brothers said the details she heard in court didn't match the man she's known.

“He's not this type of way,” said Antonesha Clinton, who is expecting Elijah Green's first child. “He's sweet, he loves my kid like it's his son. He's nice, he's kind. When I first met him, he was everything.”

“In my heart ... I don't think he'd ever in my life do anything like that,” she added. “I can't see him doing anything like that.”

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Former Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton is flanked by lieutenant governor candidate Juliana Stratton and gubernatorial nominee J.B. Pritzker at a discussion with high school-age girls Monday at co-working space EvolveHer in Chicago.

Hillary campaigns for Pritzker

Governor nominee backed Clinton in White House bid

BY RICK PEARSON AND MIKE RIOPELL
Chicago Tribune

Former Democratic presidential contender Hillary Clinton campaigned in Chicago on Monday for governor nominee J.B. Pritzker, a major supporter of her failed efforts to get to the White House.

Clinton formally endorsed Pritzker during a Chicago visit in April after he won the Democratic primary by a wide margin. On Monday she joined him at a roundtable event highlighting social service issues. Pritzker frequently criticizes Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner for overseeing a two-year budget impasse that hit social service providers that depend on state money.

Pritzker and Clinton spoke

with several high school-age girls about leadership at EvolveHer, a shared working space in River North.

Pritzker was a longtime supporter of Clinton's presidential bids, including her 2008 effort to win the Democratic nomination against home-state U.S. Sen. Barack Obama. Pritzker and his wife, Mary Kay, contributed at least \$14.7 million to two super political action committees supporting her unsuccessful 2016 White House effort, federal records show.

Pritzker's backing of Clinton in 2008 created some family friction as he served as a national co-chair of her campaign. Pritzker's sister, Penny, backed Obama's 2008 presidential bid and later became his commerce secretary.

Nevertheless,

Obama

in August formally endorsed Pritzker's bid, saying in a 90-second video: “I know J.B. I trust J.B. And that's who he is, someone who is always

thinking about how he can make a difference.”

In the 2016 election, Clinton defeated Republican Donald Trump in Illinois by 17 percentage points. She won all but McHenry of the state's traditionally Republican-leaning collar counties, giving Democrats hope they can capture additional state legislative seats as well as flip GOP seats in Congress.

Rauner, meanwhile, released a new ad hitting Pritzker over taxes and Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan. It features two puppets resembling the balcony-dwelling hecklers Statler and Waldorf from “The Muppet Show.”

“J.B. Pritzker, the guy's no dummy,” one puppet says in the spot.

“But he is Mike Madigan's puppet,” the other replies.

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Supreme Court declines to hear Peterson appeal in death of 3rd wife

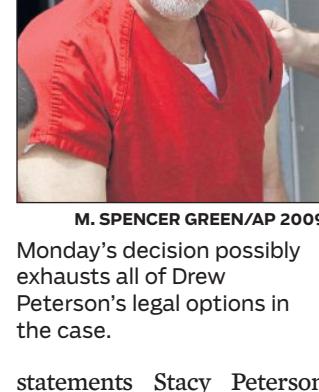
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The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday declined to hear an appeal from former Bolingbrook police Officer Drew Peterson that sought to undo his murder conviction in the death of his third wife.

The Illinois Supreme Court twice rejected Peterson's request for a new trial after he was convicted of murdering Kathleen Savio, whose death was re-examined after Peterson's fourth wife, Stacy, went missing in 2007.

In June, Peterson's attorney Steve Greenberg filed a petition with the U.S. Supreme Court, asking it to review the decision of the state's high court.

In the filing, Peterson alleged, among other claims, that the use of hearsay testimony — statements that Savio made to family members and in a written statement to police before she died, and



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Monday's decision possibly exhausts all of Drew Peterson's legal options in the case.

statements Stacy Peterson made to her pastor and a divorce lawyer before her disappearance — should never have been allowed.

The filing also questioned the legality of allowing divorce attorney Harry Smith to testify at trial about a telephone call in which Stacy

Peterson indicated Drew Peterson had killed Savio.

Last year, the Illinois Supreme Court unanimously found that the hearsay testimony did not violate Peterson's constitutional rights. The court declined to rehear his appeal of that decision in January.

Greenberg said a next possible option for his client could be to begin the process of appealing the conviction through the federal court system.

Savio's bathtub drowning in 2004 initially was ruled an accident, but after the October 2007 disappearance of Stacy Peterson, authorities exhumed Savio's body and ruled her death a homicide.

Stacy Peterson remains missing, and the Illinois State Police long ago named Drew Peterson, a former sergeant in Bolingbrook, as a suspect in her disappearance.

No one has been charged in that case.

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cheese-loving rivals to swoop up tickets galore. Less than an hour before the game, bleacher tickets were still available, a scenario that would never have happened before the Cubs ended their World Series drought in 2016.

So Brewers fans invaded Wrigley on Monday and made themselves heard. Maybe it wouldn't have mattered if the Cubs offense had bothered to show up, but the irony of Brewers fans taking over Wrigley after the last few years of Cubs fans dominating Miller Park was not lost on anyone who has been paying attention to the, uh, rivalry.

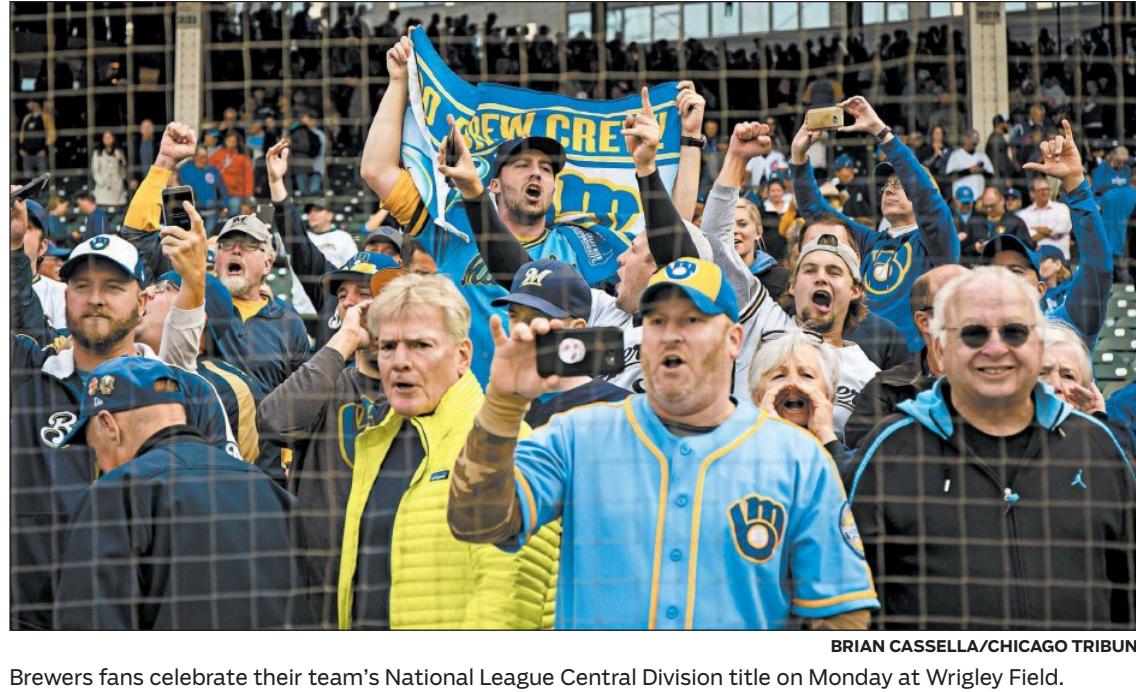
Maybe Hamels should've let sleeping dogs lie?

"It's just a perspective," Hamels said of his Labor Day salvo after Monday's loss. "Ultimately I think that's just kind of the case. I was there for three games, so I gave a perspective on three games — two home games here and one game there."

"But it's no hard feelings. I think it's exciting to be able to see the type of team that they have, the type of team we have here. It's great for both cities. Really, it's great for baseball."

"This is something you want to be involved in. I was very fortunate to come up and play against the Mets when they were good. It's the reason you play the game. You want to play it in front of loud crowds, people that are paying attention."

"You just want to entertain, and I think that's where you have to look at it. They've done every-



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Brewers fans celebrate their team's National League Central Division title on Monday at Wrigley Field.

thing right. Tremendous job, and you have to give it to them. They've played well, and we're still doing what we can do."

What the Cubs have to do now is win the wild-card game Tuesday and get another shot at the Brewers, starting Thursday in Miller Park, their home away from home.

A delirious Cubs fan texted me after the game saying the Cubs were in perfect position now because all they have to do is win the wild card behind Jon Lester and get "home-field" advantage for Games 1 and 2 of the NL Division Series in Milwaukee, where they can at least split it behind Kyle Hendricks and Hamels and

come home for Games 3 and 4 at Wrigley.

That's a crazy theory, especially knowing how lifeless the Cubs offense looks at times, such as Monday when they managed only three hits, including Anthony Rizzo's sole home run.

But having Lester on the mound is at least comforting.

"It's Jonny Lester," Rizzo said. "He's pitched in a few big games before. He's got a resume. We'll be leaning on him hard."

"We've got to score him some runs early so he can settle in, but we'll be ready."

Will Cubs fans be ready?

It was hard to imagine a bigger game with less of a pregame buzz

than Monday's tiebreaker. The Brewers, meanwhile, were clearly stoked by their fan base driving down I-94 to offer them support.

"It's fun, they're passionate," Rizzo said. "Wisconsin has passionate fans. When we weren't very good I experienced their fans being here a lot. It's basically a one-game (playoff) for the division, and they haven't won the division in a while."

"It was a great atmosphere, a fun atmosphere to play in."

So what do the Cubs have left in the tank? We'll find out.

Manager Joe Maddon will be "Maddoning" the wild-card game, having Hamels available in the bullpen to follow Lester if

necessary, just as he had Kyle Hendricks ready to come in Monday if the Cubs were tied or had the lead in the ninth.

Hamels said he hadn't been available in a bullpen since he and Cliff Lee were there for Game 5 of the 2011 Division Series between the Phillies and Cardinals.

"The way that (Roy) Halladay and (Chris) Carpenter were pitching, there was no chance Cliff and I were going to be coming out then," he said. "It's a moment to relish the situation. This was a do-or-die moment."

"At the same time, we get a second chance (Tuesday). That's kind of great for everybody with what everybody has been able to do here."

"This is one of the best environments to play in front of, and we're very fortunate to do it again (Tuesday)."

Lester to Hamels in a do-or-die game would be something to watch, with two of the era's top postseason pitchers in the same game.

"Like (Curt) Schilling to Randy Johnson?" Hamels said, referring to Game 7 of the 2001 World Series. "I grew up watching that one. That was pretty cool."

"Hey, if it comes to it, I've definitely got to go out there and plug away. I guess that would be something of a storybook ending right there, right?"

Do the Cubs have it in them to pull off a storybook ending?

The saga continues Tuesday night, with everything on the line.

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Climate changes hitting baseball

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extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and, in some cases, more pronounced.

Although the baseball season got off to its earliest start ever to give players more off days during the 162-game regular season, rest has been elusive for clubs that have had to make up multiple games, including the Cubs, who have had a league-leading nine games scratched for bad weather (tied with the Yankees), the most in more than a decade.

While MLB's collective bargaining agreement states teams cannot play more than 20 dates without a scheduled day off, the Cubs endured a punishing 30-day stretch of scheduled games in August and September. The make-up games also forced a rigorous travel schedule that, at one point, flung them to three cities, in three time zones, in six days, including scrambling to the East Coast as Hurricane Florence approached.

"Obviously, they haven't been hitting very well, and that could be due to the fact they are worn out because they have had to play all of these (make-up) games due to the weather," said Chris Hendron, of Valparaiso, Ind., who was wearing a poncho at the Sept. 25 game the Cubs eventually lost in a shutout.

"In the day of sabermetrics, when every team is looking for that extra advantage, you would think that one thing would be taken into account: the weather."

General manager Jed Hoyer said teams always look a bit ragged after a long road trip or at the end of playing 20 games in a row.

"... This is the hand we've been dealt this season, and we have to do everything we can to win one more game than Milwaukee or St. Louis," Hoyer said in mid-September before the Cubs lost the division title to the Brewers. "No one is going to feel sorry for us. This is what we have to deal with, and we just have to get through it. Our hope certainly is, as we play these pennant-race games, we kind of get a second wind."

The Cubs locked up a fourth straight postseason berth but then capped the season with an arduous final week that stretched into a tiebreaker Monday with Milwaukee. If they get past Tuesday's wild card, North Side fans worry the team will also be fatigued compared with others that played in warm-weather cities or domed ballparks. The Brewers, who have a retractable roof at Miller Park, had one away game postponed this year.

In a sport that spans three seasons, fans like Al Yellon say MLB needs to address the weather.

Heat waves and heavy rainfall events are on the rise, scientists say. Hurricane season is more active and storms more intense. Rising temperatures in the Arctic may also be causing the polar jet stream — a current of air that acts as a barrier between the south and cold air masses to the north — to slow and allow cold air to ooze farther south as it did this past spring.

"Nobody (besides the Cubs) has had to play 30 days in a row," said

Yellon, who blogs about the Cubs under the banner Bleed Cubbie Blue. "That's something that is a competitive disadvantage, especially when your divisional rivals are the Brewers, and they have a roof and are never going to lose a home date. Obviously you can't put a roof on every ballpark, but I don't think the Cubs are whining at all. They have a legitimate complaint."

Rough April

Yellon, 61, a season ticket-holder since 1993, estimates he's been to 2,700 games in his lifetime, including a Cardinals-Cubs match in 2003 dubbed the "typhoon game" that was postponed in the fourth inning due to 39 mph winds and rain. But Yellon can't recall a more miserable game than a Cubs-Braves matchup at Wrigley on April 14.

"It was played in the worst conditions that I have ever seen a game played. The wind was howling and the rain was coming sideways. It never stopped the entire afternoon."

Though that game was completed, four home games in April were scratched: April 9, the home opener, had a high of 39 degrees and 2 inches of snow; April 15th was rainy with a high of 37; April 16 peaked at 35 with measurable snow; April 18 had a high of 37 with a mix of rain and snow, according to National Weather Service reports from O'Hare International Airport.

The average temperature in April was 41.2 degrees, 7.7 degrees below normal, making it the fourth coldest April in Chicago, according to the weather service. There were 10 days where temperatures were 40 degrees or lower, tied for the second most on record. For MLB at large, there were 35 games played in April when temperatures at first pitch were 40 or lower, compared with only two for all of 2017, according to MLB.

"What made it most noteworthy was the frequency, longevity and magnitude of the cold," said Ricky Castro, a weather service meteorologist. "It was certainly atypical for April. Having cold isn't unusual for April because you're transitioning out of winter. To have it lock in like that is what made it unusual."

Scientists have pointed to climate change as a contributing factor to the warming of the atmosphere, carrying the chance for more rain in some areas since warmer air can hold more moisture. According to state climatologist Jim Angel, northern and central Illinois are experiencing warmer, wetter springs. But some scientists believe the rapid warming of the Arctic is causing fluctuations in the polar jet stream that can bring unusual bouts of cold like the region saw in April, Angel said.

"There were two interesting features of this spring," Angel said. "One is that we have seen a fairly steady increase in spring temperatures in recent years in Illinois, so this April really cut against the grain. The other thing is that the really cold April was followed by the warmest May on record."

This year Illinois experienced "a freakish weather pattern," Angel said.

This baseball season began March 29, the earliest start at a Major League ballpark. Next season will begin even sooner, on March 28. For some northern teams, an earlier start comes with a greater chance of freezing temperatures and snow, Castro said.

While temperatures in late March typically range from the 30s to the 40s in Chicago, spring weather can be wildly unpredictable. In 2012, there were an unprecedented eight days in March with temperatures in the 80s.

Possible solutions

With a greater chance of inclement weather in cold weather cities at the beginning of the season, some fans have asked why the bulk of April games shouldn't be played in ballparks in the South or West. In an interview with ESPN 1000 earlier this year, Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo emphatically called for the baseball season to be shortened, saying, "As a fan you're going to a baseball game in April, and it's raining, snowing and (with) freezing rain. Is it really that much fun?" Others wonder whether the season should start later.

The counterarguments generally revolve around the business side of the sport. Playing more games in warm-weather ballparks would be unfair to those teams, because it would likely reduce their number of summer home games, which generally draw larger crowds because people are out of school and on vacation. And shortening the season would surely mean less money for MLB, an organization with \$10 billion in revenue last season.

Pushing back the start of the season could create just as many weather conflicts because the postseason already sometimes spills into November, another month subject to unpredictable temperature swings.

Average temperatures in Chicago range from highs of 47 to lows of 32 degrees in November. But during the Cubs World Series run in 2016, the temperatures at the start of the home games ranged from 50 to 62 degrees. In Game 7 in Cleveland on Nov. 2, the temperature at game time was a balmy 69. A rain delay in extra innings created just enough of a gap to allow the Cubs to regroup and end their 108-year championship drought.

If the Cubs advance to the National League Division Series, they would play a home game Sunday when forecasters predict temperatures in the high 60s with scattered showers and thunderstorms. According to the federal Climate Prediction Center, October is expected to be wetter than average, and there's a chance for higher temperatures too.

Intensive schedule

Yellon believes make-up games would be less rigorous if one-time games between foes in different leagues weren't held in April or September, the months most

likely to see postponements due to inclement weather. If a team schedules divisional matchups earlier in the year, those teams can schedule a make-up game the next time they meet, which is much easier than trying to find time to redo a game against a team that's not on their schedule again.

"This year, the Tigers and Pirates — two cold-weather cities — played two series, one in each city, in March and April," Yellon said.

"That's just crazy. Next year, the Angels and Cubs have a series at Wrigley Field in April. That's not optimal. You've got a chance for postponed games against a team you will not see again."

To some extent, MLB has factored regional climate and interleague play into early and late season scheduling, officials say.

But it's not a cure-all in the intensive scheduling process because there are simply not enough warm-weather teams. The Detroit Tigers, for example, had 139 of their 162 games scheduled in what would be cold-weather cities, according to the MLB. The Tigers, who've had eight postponements, didn't play in any warm-weather cities or domes in March or April.

Hurricane season presents another issue for teams near the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean. The 2017 hurricane season was one of the most destructive in recent memory, and it forced MLB to move several games: a Rangers-Astros game was played in Tampa, Fla., during Hurricane Harvey; a Brewers-Marlins game was moved from Miami to Milwaukee and a Rays-Yankees game was moved from Tampa to New York during Hurricane Irma.

This year, however, with Hurricane Florence barreling toward the Mid-Atlantic — an area that saw record rainfall this year before the hurricane's arrival — the Cubs traveled to Washington, D.C., for a series with the Nationals. Florence made landfall in North Carolina and remained south of Washington, but two of the games with the Nationals were postponed due to other, unrelated rainstorms.

The ordeal drew some criticism from fans who wondered why chance it.

"If there was a possibility that the Washington area was maybe going to be affected, if not by hurricane conditions, at least heavy rain, why do you want to fly a baseball team into that?" Yellon asked.

"With the possibility that the baseball game is going to be rained out or (the team) even

stranded there, why would you even think of that?"

In the first half of the season, home teams are mostly tasked with deciding whether to call off a game. In the second half, MLB assumes those duties to avoid any competitive issues in situations with playoff implications.

Many teams, including the Cubs, consult with weather forecasters and subscribe to monitoring tools, but the Minnesota Twins are the only MLB team that has meteorologists on staff. In 2010, when the Twins left the Metrodome for their new outdoor ballpark, Target Field, the organization hired its first meteorologist.

Today, the Twins have an office behind the third-base dugout dedicated to two staff forecasters. That's where meteorologist Mace Michaels keeps an eye on the radar and uses computer models to get an idea of where storms are headed and when.

"That's our main concern is assisting the grounds crew, the umpiring crew and Twins management for better planning on how the weather can affect things," Michaels said. "It's anything from 'When can we start?' to 'When can the pitchers go out to warm up?'

"No one wants to burn a starter," he said. "The last thing you want is the pitchers to start their routine of warming up 45 minutes beforehand and then you have to shut them down or they only pitch two innings."

In nearly all cases, Michaels is watching for rain, but this year has thrown him for a loop. In April, temperatures dipped into the 20s and a blizzard dumped more than a foot of snow over three days, canceling three games against the White Sox. Months later, during a June 30 game at Wrigley, a heat index in the triple digits caused three Twins players to exit the game early.

It's unclear what long-term climate change might mean for baseball. In the meantime, fans will likely need to keep their eyes on the skies.

"I think there's no question weather is getting worse in a lot of ways, and this is something we're going to have to deal with more and more in the future," Yellon said.

"They just have to be more proactive with how they schedule. They are going to have to be more flexible, that's really all there is to it."

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Javier Baez, right, frolics in the snow April 9 at Wrigley Field.

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NATION & WORLD

Trump, Trudeau tout major trade victory

Agreement seen as a 'win-win-win' for N. America nations

BY KEN THOMAS
AND ROB GILLIES

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump hailed his revamped North American trade agreement with Canada and Mexico as a breakthrough for U.S. workers Monday, vowing to sign it by late November.

But it still faces a lengthy path to congressional approval after serving for two decades as a political football for American manufacturing woes.

Embracing the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement, which the Canadians joined just before a Sunday midnight deadline, Trump branded it the "USMCA," a moniker he said would replace the 24-year-old North American Free Trade Agreement, or NAFTA. With a satisfied smile, the president said the new name had a "good ring to it," repeating U-S-M-C-A several times.

But he noted the agreement would need to be ratified by Congress, a step that could be affected by the outcome of the fall elections as Democrats seek to regain majorities in the House and Senate.

When a reporter suggested he seemed confident of approval after his announcement, he said he was "not at all confident" — but not because of the deal's merits or defects.

"Anything you submit to Congress is trouble, no matter what," Trump said, predicting that Democrats would say, "Trump likes it



President Donald Trump on Monday hails the U.S.-Mexico-Canada deal, which still needs congressional approval.

so we're not going to approve it."

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Monday his country was in a more stable place now than it had completed the negotiations. He said the deal needed to be fair because one trading partner was 10 times larger. He said Canada did not simply accept "any deal."

"We got the right deal. We got a win-win-win for all three countries," Trudeau said.

Likewise, outgoing Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto said via Twitter that the deal negotiated over the last 13 months "achieves what we proposed at the beginning: a win-win-win

agreement."

Despite Trump's jibe at the Democrats, their comments on the agreement largely were muted, though many lawmakers said the way the provisions of the deal are enforced would be critical.

"As someone who voted against NAFTA and opposed it for many years, I knew it needed fixing. The president deserves praise for taking large steps to improve it," said Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer of New York. He said any final agreement "must be judged on how it benefits and protects middle-class families and the working people in our country."

The accord would return the United States to a "manufacturing powerhouse."

Trump, for his part, said the U.S. always has been a manufacturing powerhouse, and by some projections — made before he took office — is expected to be No. 1 in 2020.

The new agreement was forged just before a midnight deadline imposed by the U.S. to include Canada in a deal reached with Mexico late in the summer. It replaces NAFTA, which Trump has lambasted as a job-wrecking disaster that has hollowed the nation's industrialized base.

NAFTA long has been a lightning rod for criticism among labor unions and manufacturing workers since it was being negotiated in the early 1990s during President George H.W. Bush's administration and later implemented by President Bill Clinton.

During the 1992 presidential campaign, independent candidate Ross Perot famously predicted a "giant sucking sound" as NAFTA pulled U.S. factory jobs into Mexico.

The new version would give U.S. farmers greater access to the Canadian dairy market. But it would keep the former North American Free Trade Agreement dispute-resolution process that the U.S. wanted to jettison.

It offers Canada protection

if Trump goes ahead with plans to impose tariffs on cars, trucks and auto parts imported into the United States.

NAFTA reduced most trade barriers in North America, leading to a surge in trade between the three countries. But Trump and other critics said it encouraged manufacturers to move south of the border to take advantage of low-wage Mexican wages.

The new pact will require regional content of 75 percent for automobiles, and also that 40 percent to 45 percent of vehicles coming to the U.S. be produced in plants paying at least \$16 per hour.

Mexico's incoming foreign relations secretary, Marcelo Ebrard, said some new regulations may pose challenges for companies to adapt to.

However, he also said "finishing this process of renegotiation provides certainty for financial markets, investment and job creation in our country."

In all, Trump said, the pact covers \$1.2 trillion in trade.

For Trump, the agreement offered vindication for his trade policies that have roiled relations with China, the European Union and America's North American neighbors while causing concerns among Midwest farmers and manufacturers worried about retaliation.

Trump's advisers view the trade pact as a political winner in battleground states critical to the president's 2016 victory and home to tens of thousands of auto workers and manufacturers who could benefit from the changes.



The elderly wait to board an aircraft at the Palu airport, which reopened after a quake.

Amid destruction, survivors clamor to escape Indonesia

BY NINIEK KARMINI

Associated Press

PALU, Indonesia — As officials began burying hundreds of dead in a mass grave Monday, thousands of survivors of a devastating earthquake and tsunami converged on the airport of this heavily damaged Indonesian city and clamored to leave, saying there was little to eat and their homes were unsafe.

The confirmed death toll of 844, mostly from the city of Palu, is expected to rise as authorities reach areas that were cut off by the disaster. The magnitude 7.5 earthquake struck at dusk Friday and generated a tsunami said to have been as high as 20 feet in places.

Search and rescue teams combed destroyed homes and buildings, including a collapsed eight-story hotel, for any trapped survivors, but they needed more heavy equipment to clear the rubble.

Many people were believed trapped under shattered houses in Palu's Balaoa neighborhood, where the earthquake caused the ground to heave up and down violently, disaster agency spokesman Sutopo Purwo Nugroho said.

In the city's Petobo section, the quake caused loose, wet soil to liquefy, creating a thick, heavy mud that caused massive damage. "In Petobo, it is estimated that there are still hundreds of victims buried in mud," Nugroho said.

Residents who found loved ones — alive and dead — during the weekend expressed frustration that it took rescue teams until Monday to reach Petobo.

Desperation was evident across Palu, a city of more than 380,000 on the island of Sulawesi.

About 3,000 residents flocked to its airport, trying to board military aircraft or one of the few commercial flights, local TV reported.

Video showed some of them screaming in anger because they were not able to get on a departing military plane.

"We have not eaten for three days!" one woman yelled. "We just want to be safe!"

Nearly 50,000 have been displaced from their homes in Palu, Nugroho said, and hospitals were overwhelmed.

The Indonesian air force confirmed that a Hercules aircraft carrying an unspecified number of survivors was able to leave Palu for South Sulawesi's capital of Makassar. Indonesian President Joko "Jokowi" Widodo authorized the acceptance of international help, Nugroho said, adding that generators, heavy equipment and tents were among the most-needed items. The European Union and 10 countries have offered assistance, including the United States, Australia and China, he said.

"We will send food today, as much as possible with several aircraft," Widodo told reporters in the capital, Jakarta, adding that a supply of fuel also was set to arrive.

Hundreds were lined up for fuel at gas stations across Palu, with waiting cars snarling traffic amid neighborhoods with fences painted with the red and white colors of the Indonesian flag.

Groups of children, some smiling but others with anxious expressions, stood in the middle of roads holding boxes for cash donations. Signs were displayed along roads, saying "We need Food" and "We need support." Another asked about the whereabouts of a local political leader.

Vegas memorial: 'None of us will ever be the same'

Shooting motive remains mystery one year later

BY KEN RITTER

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — A flock of doves fluttered skyward at sunrise Monday in Las Vegas, each bird bearing a leg band with the name of one of the 58 people slain in the deadliest mass shooting in the nation's modern history one year ago.

Marking the anniversary of the night a gunman opened fire from a high-rise casino suite on a crowd of 22,000 country music fans, Nevada Gov. Brian Sandoval gathered with several hundred people at an outdoor amphitheater remembrance ceremony.

"Today, we remember the unforgettable. Today, we comfort the inconsolable," Sandoval told survivors, families of victims, first responders and elected officials who gathered at dawn.

He added: "Today, we are reminded of the pain that never really goes away."

Among those who offered prayers, songs and speeches was Mynda Smith, whose sister Neysa Davis Tonks was killed.

Smith said her sister was a 46-year-old single mother raising three boys in Las Vegas. Smith called her sister energetic, adventurous, a fan of all kinds of music and a person who danced when no one was watching.

Smith started a scholarship fund for victims' children and said she reached out to loved ones of almost all the dead.

"None of us will ever be the same," she said. "We have all changed. We have all been broken. But we can find a way to pick up those pieces and glue it all back together. Yes, the cracks will be seen. But it can be



Linda Hazelwood, from left, Michelle Hamel and Jann Blake attend a prayer service Monday in Las Vegas that honored victims of last year's mass shooting.

whole again and we will be stronger."

Shooting survivors Chris and Larisa Rapanick, of Chesapeake, Va., made the trip to Las Vegas for weekend events including a 5K run, a country music club show and a reunion of survivors Saturday. At the sunrise service, they stood with their two adult daughters.

"We weren't going to let this ruin a place we like to come to," Chris Rapanick said. "I'm glad to be standing here."

Clark County Sheriff Joe Lombardo recalled the chaos and confusion of the shooting, and the prayers to "heal broken hearts," blood banks filled with donors and "acts of kindness that comforted the suffering" that followed.

"When the sun rose the next morning, grief turned to anger, anger turned to resolve and resolve turned to action," Lombardo said.

Many who were cheering Jason Aldean's headline set at the Route 91 Harvest Festival late Oct. 1, 2017, said later they thought the rapid crack-crack-crack they heard was fireworks — until people fell dead, wounded, bleeding.

From across neon-lit Las Vegas Boulevard, a gam-

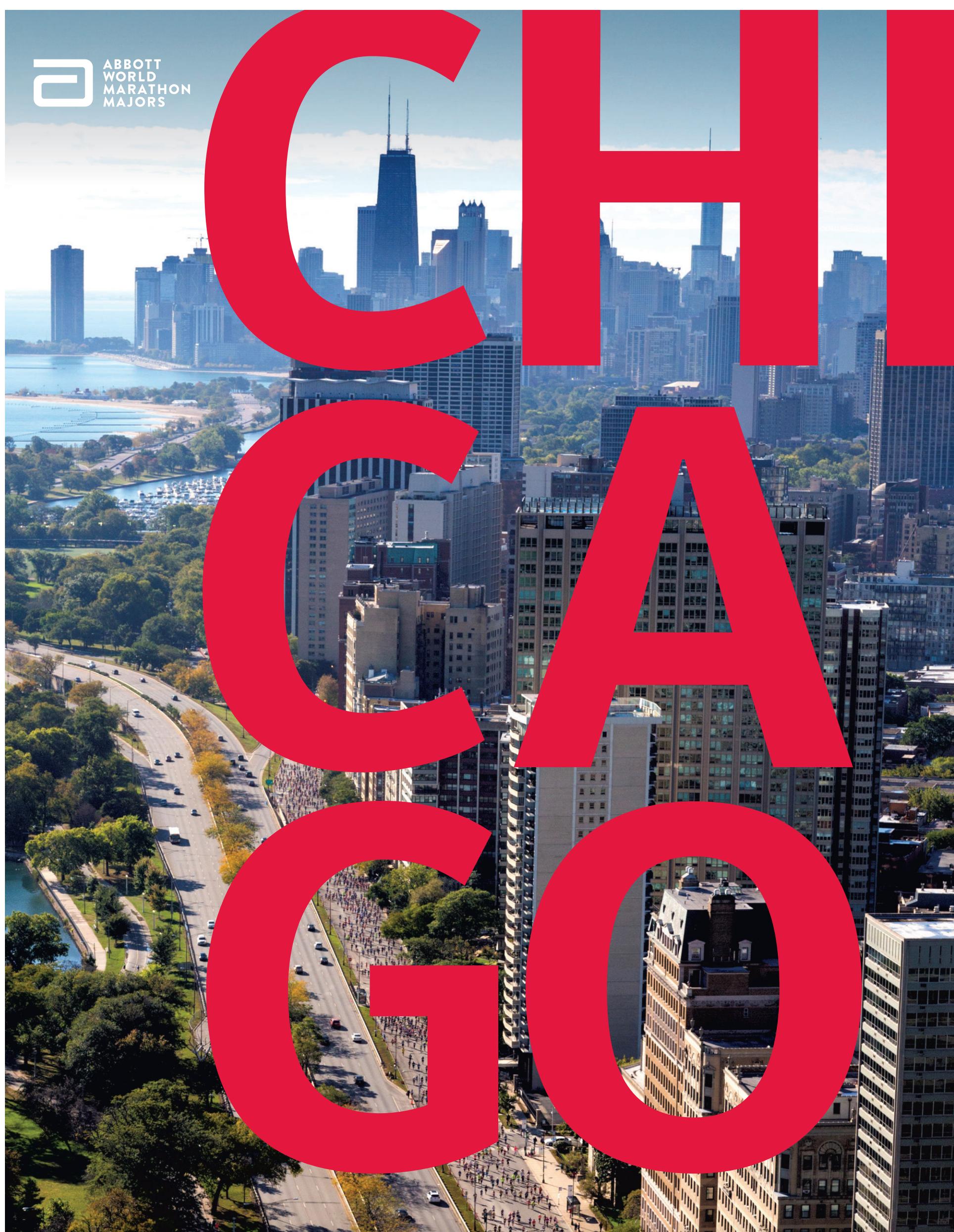
bler-turned-gunner with what police later called a meticulous plan but an unknown reason fired assault-style rifles for 11 minutes from 32nd-floor windows of the Mandalay Bay hotel into the concert crowd below. Police said he then put a pistol in his mouth and killed himself.

Medical examiners later determined that all 58 deaths were from gunshots. Another 413 people were wounded, and police said at least 456 were injured fleeing the carnage.

Lombardo declared the police investigation over in August, issuing a report that said hundreds of interviews and thousands of hours of investigative work could not provide answers to what made Stephen Craig Paddock unleash his hail of gunfire.

That has left unanswered the question of why a 64-year-old former accountant, real estate investor, small plane pilot and high-limit video poker player assembled his arsenal and attacked the concert crowd.

Paddock was characterized by police as a loner who became obsessed with guns and spent more than \$1.5 million in the two years before the shooting.



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White House expands FBI investigation

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possible, but not likely, the bureau could complete its work before Friday.

Senior Senate Republicans don't want to prolong Kavanaugh's confirmation fight beyond this week, although the leadership has yet to lock down the 50 Republican votes needed to install Kavanaugh on the Supreme Court. Sens. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, and Susan Collins, R-Maine, have yet to announce their decision.

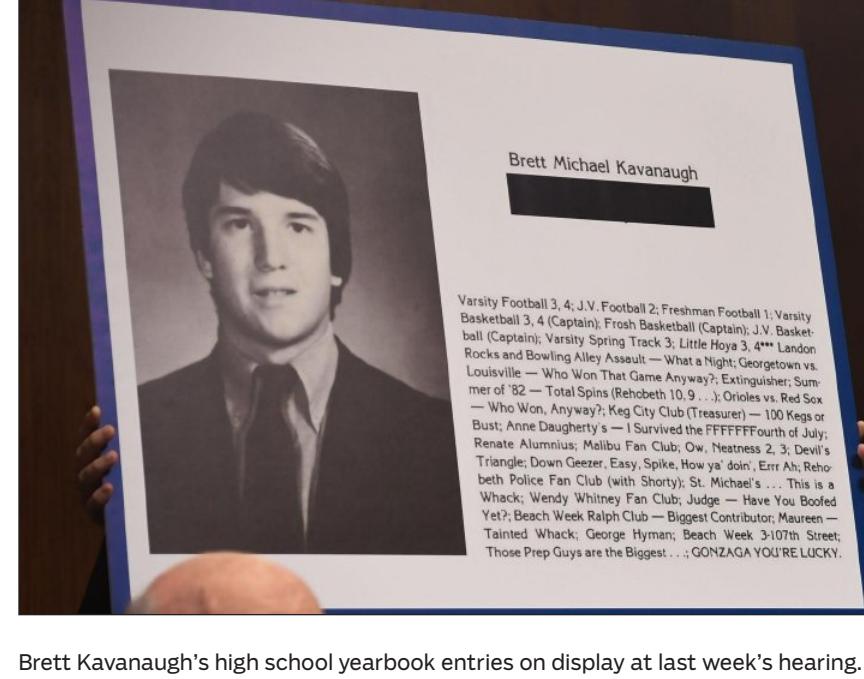
"The time for endless delay and obstruction has come to a close. Judge Kavanaugh's nomination is out of committee. We're considering it here on the floor," Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said Monday. "We'll be voting this week."

In a letter Monday to the White House and FBI, Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee listed more than two dozen people they would like to see interviewed as part of the investigation.

As the fresh review unfolded, the prosecutor brought in by Republicans to question Ford at last week's hearing outlined in a memo why she did not believe criminal charges would be brought against Kavanaugh if it were a criminal case rather than a Supreme Court confirmation process.

Rachel Mitchell argued that that there were inconsistencies in Ford's narrative and said no one has corroborated Ford's account.

As Republicans and Democrats quarreled over whether the FBI would have enough time and free-



Brett Kavanaugh's high school yearbook entries on display at last week's hearing. The FBI is questioning people who knew him in high school and college.

Kavanaugh High School Yearbook Entries

"Renate Alumnus"

"Maureen - Tainted Whack"

"Anne Daugherty's - I Survived the FFFFFFFourth of July"

"Judge - Have You Boofed Yet?"

"Devil's Triangle"

"Keg City Club (Treasurer)"

"100 Kegs or Bust"

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dom to conduct a thorough investigation before a vote on the nomination, FBI agents have been interviewing witnesses from Kavanaugh's high school and college years.

They include Mark Judge, Kavanaugh's high school friend who Ford has said was in the room when Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her. Judge has denied misconduct allegations. On Monday, his lawyer Barbara Van Gelder said Judge had been interviewed "but his interview has not been completed."

Another witness, Patrick "P.J." Smyth, answered "every question" he was asked and told agents he had "no knowledge" of the small gathering that Ford described, according to his attorney, Eric Bruce.

Ford has said Smyth, whom she remembered as "P.J." was downstairs, not

anywhere near the event.

The FBI has also interviewed Leland Keyser, who Ford said attended the same party. Keyser's attorney, Howard Walsh, said she was questioned by FBI agents Saturday. Walsh has said his client doesn't know Kavanaugh and has no recollection of ever being at a party with him. He has said Keyser believes Ford's account but is "unable to corroborate it because she has no recollection of the incident in question."

Ford shared her allegation at a congressional hearing last week that also included Kavanaugh's angry and emotional denial. As of Monday afternoon, she had not been contacted by the FBI to schedule an interview, according to a person close to her.

The FBI interviewed a separate accuser over the weekend — Deborah Ra-

mirez, who has said Kavanaugh exposed himself to her when both were students at Yale University in the 1980s. Ramirez also provided investigators with the names of others who she said could corroborate her account, according to a person familiar with her questioning.

Kavanaugh has denied that allegation.

Additional witnesses have come forward with accounts they wanted to present to the FBI about Kavanaugh's behavior.

In a statement Sunday, a Yale classmate of Kavanaugh's said he is "deeply troubled by what has been a blatant mischaracterization by Brett himself of his drinking at Yale." Charles "Chad" Ludington said he was a friend of Kavanaugh's at Yale and that Kavanaugh was "a frequent drinker, and a heavy drinker."

With a seat vacant, justices appear divided in 1st case of new term

BY MARK SHERMAN AND JESSICA GRESKO
Associated Press

Justice Samuel Alito jabbed at Kagan. "Now this case is going to be spun, we've already heard questions along this line, as a choice between whether the dusky gopher frog is going to become extinct or not. That's not the choice at all," Alito said, adding the only issue is whether private landowners or the government is going to pay to preserve land that could support an endangered species.

The justices could hold onto the case and order a new round of arguments once the bench is full, or resolve the case narrowly.

When the court met just after 10 o'clock, it was the first time in more than 30 years without Justice Anthony Kennedy, who retired in the summer.

Chief Justice John Roberts proclaimed the end of the last term and the start of the new one, then briefly congratulated Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg on her 25 years on the court.

"We all look forward to sharing many more years with you in our common calling," Roberts told the 85-year-old Ginsburg, who now sits immediately to Roberts' left.

Justice Clarence Thomas, the longest-serving member of the current court, was to Roberts' right. Ginni Thomas, the justice's wife, watched the morning arguments from seats reserved for justices' guests.

It was mostly business as usual. The justices turned down roughly 1,400 appeals that had been awaiting decision over the summer. Lawyers were sworn in as members of the Supreme Court bar.

The justices have some recent experience operating at less than full strength. Nearly 14 months elapsed between Justice Antonin Scalia's death in 2016 and Justice Neil Gorsuch's confirmation last year.

Senate Republicans refused to act on President Barack Obama's Supreme Court nomination of Judge Merrick Garland.

Flake stokes presidential speculation as Supreme Court debate rolls on

BY STEVE PEOPLES
Associated Press

BOSTON — The Republican senator who has found himself at the center of the Supreme Court debate vowed Monday to ensure the FBI does "a real investigation" into President Donald Trump's nominee as he trekked across New England exploring a possible run for president.

"It does us no good to have an investigation that just gives us more cover," Arizona Sen. Jeff Flake told hundreds of young people at the Forbes Under 30 Summit.

Flake's comments come as the White House insisted it's not "micromanaging" the new one-week review of decades-old allegations of sexual misconduct against Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh. Some Democratic lawmakers claimed the White House was keeping investigators from interviewing certain witnesses.

Flake delivered the message at a Boston conference hours before he faced New Hampshire voters for the second time this year. The 55-year-old Republican, who is retiring from the Senate at the end of the year,



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U.S. Sen. Jeff Flake shakes hands with a guest following an address in Manchester, N.H., on Monday.

has already declared his interest in a possible 2020 presidential bid.

Three days ago, Flake single-handedly delayed Kavanaugh's confirmation proceedings by insisting on an FBI investigation as a condition for his support.

He told CBS' "60 Minutes" on Sunday that the conservative judge's nomination would be "over" if federal investigators deter-

mine he lied to the committee.

Organizers of the Boston event said they moved the location to City Hall after security concerns emerged about the original location.

Hundreds of liberal protesters, victims of sexual assault among them, pleaded with Flake to block Kavanaugh's nomination outside the venue. A similar demonstration was planned

for New Hampshire.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh offered a direct message to the Republican senator from Arizona.

"I guess I want to say, 'Thank you,'" Walsh said. "But that's your job. That's your job to vet the nominee."

The true test for Flake would come once the full Senate votes on the Kavanaugh nomination in the coming days, Walsh said.

"He has an opportunity to do something very special at some point next week," the mayor said.

Flake was set to address New Hampshire voters later in the day.

In March, Flake told New Hampshire Republicans that someone needs to stop Trump in 2020. Flake said he may run — either as a Republican or an independent — if no one else does.

"It has not been in my plans to run for president, but I have not ruled it out," Flake said at the time.

"I hope that someone does run in the Republican primary, somebody to challenge the president," Flake said. "I think that the Republicans want to be reminded what it means to be a traditional, decent Republican."

But a few minutes later,

Cancer researchers from U.S., Japan win Nobel Prize

BY JIM HEINTZ AND DAVID KEYTON
Associated Press

STOCKHOLM — Researchers from the United States and Japan won the Nobel Prize in medicine on Monday for discoveries that help the body marshal its cellular troops to attack invading cancers.

James Allison of the University of Texas and Tasuku Honjo of Kyoto University will share this year's \$1 million prize for 2018.

Their parallel work concerned proteins that act as brakes on the body's immune system.

Their research, which has led to drugs that release the brakes on the immune system, constitutes "a landmark in our fight against cancer," said the Nobel Assembly of Sweden's Karolinska Institute, which selects the winners of the

prestigious award.

The discoveries by Allison, 70, and Honjo, 76, "absolutely paved the way for a new approach to cancer treatment," said Dr. Jedd Wolchok, chief of the melanoma and immunotherapy service at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

He said the idea of releasing the brakes on immune system cells has led to drugs for the skin cancer melanoma and for cancers of the lung, head and neck, bladder, kidney and liver.

Just last week, such a drug was approved for treatment of another kind of skin cancer called squamous cell cancer, he said.

Wolchok said "an untold number of lives have been saved by the science that they pioneered."

The approach to cancer

treatment that was honored with this year's Nobel was used to treat former President Jimmy Carter, who was diagnosed in 2015 with melanoma, which had spread to his brain.

One of Carter's treatments was a drug that blocked the immune-cell "brake" studied by Honjo.

Carter announced in 2016 that he no longer

needed treatment.

Although the concept of using the immune system against cancer arose in the 19th century, initial treatments based on the approach were only modestly effective.

"Everybody wanted to do chemotherapy and radiation. The immune system was neglected because there was no strong evi-

dence it could be effective," said Nadia Gherardi, head of a cancer laboratory at Imperial College London.

Allison's work, much of it done at the University of California at Berkeley, changed that by proving the immune system could identify tumor cells and act against them.

"It's like your body uses your own army to fight cancer," she said.

Allison studied a known protein and developed the concept into a new treatment approach, while Honjo discovered a new protein that also operated as a brake on immune cells.

"I'm honored and humbled to receive this prestigious recognition," Allison said in a statement released by the university's M.D.

Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, where he is a professor.

"A driving motivation for

scientists is simply to push the frontiers of knowledge. I didn't set out to study cancer, but to understand the biology of T cells, these incredible cells that travel our bodies and work to protect us," he said.

T cells are key immune system soldiers.

At news conference later Monday in Kyoto, Honjo said what makes him most delighted is when he hears from patients who have recovered from serious illnesses because of his research.

Honjo, an avid golfer, said a member of a golf club once walked up to him suddenly, thanking him for the discovery that treated his lung cancer.

"He told me, 'Thanks to you I can play golf again.' That was a blissful moment. A comment like that makes me happier than any prize," he said.

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James Allison, left, of the University of Texas, and Tasuku Honjo, of Kyoto University, will share this year's \$1 million Nobel Prize in medicine for their cancer research.

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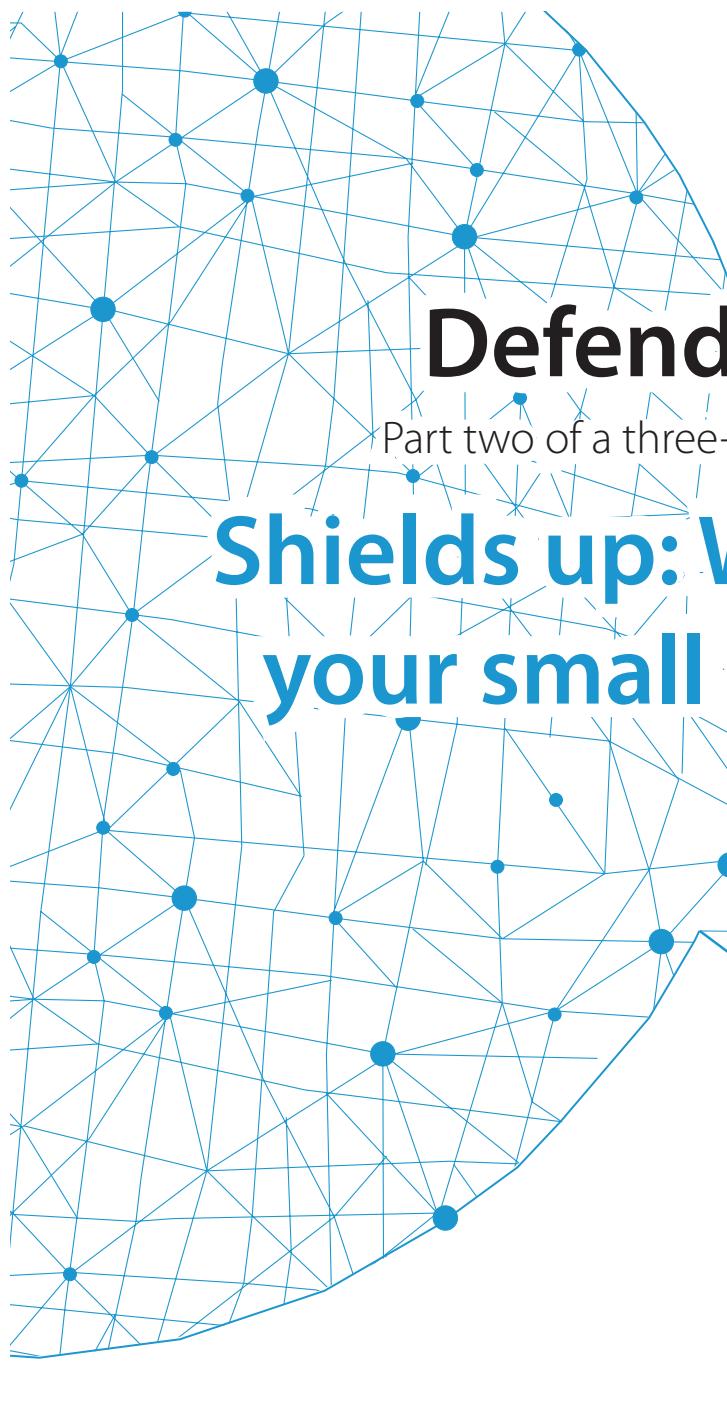
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Part two of a three-part series on cybersecurity for small business

Shields up: Why and how to protect your small business from hackers



43% of small businesses take no internet security precautions at all, and less than half train their employees in cybersecurity.

(McAfee, 2012; Better Business Bureau, 2017)

In short, they are playing right into hackers' hands.

Multi-million-dollar attacks on famous companies get the headlines, but most cyberattacks target small business. For good reason: They invest less in cybersecurity, are less aware of threats and their losses don't get the same attention.

"Small businesses have this idea that they're too small to bother with," says Mario Delapena, a Technology Advisor with Dell Small Business. "Attackers know they can get away with it. If they can get \$1,500 from you in a ransomware attack, they'll absolutely take it."



72% of employees admit they'd share confidential info in some circumstances

(Dell, 2017)

A change in perspective for small business

Instead of viewing cybersecurity as an expense, Delapena contends, small businesses should view it as an investment in their business's health.

"In your personal health, you know you need to eat healthy and exercise," he says. "You also need to know what to avoid." People take vitamins, buy exercise equipment, learn to cook healthy meals, cut back on junk food, avoid smoking and get enough sleep.

In cybersecurity terms, "healthy" living means:

- Respecting access security – setting

strong passwords and making it a policy to change them regularly.

- Installing security software, firewalls, and securing access to hardware, using laptops featuring TPM 2.0 (Trusted Platform Module) technology, fingerprint readers and facial recognition.
- Practicing safe internet use, knowing not to download suspicious files or click links from strange emails.
- Investing in PCs powered by 8th gen Intel® Core™ i5 vPro™ processors, which deliver hardware-enhanced security features.



Over 90% of successful cyberattacks start as phishing emails

(Better Business Bureau, 2017)

What's at risk in a cyberattack

It's important for small businesses to understand exactly what is at risk so they can accurately assess the value of cybersecurity.

There's the direct financial risk if a hacker is able to extort, steal or scam money from a business or its employees. But for small businesses, the risk can go much deeper.

"I ask small businesses, what would you do if you couldn't access your most important data?" says Delapena. "They have to think about the importance of efficiency and uptime. What if you had to shut down for a day? Or if all the files for a big project just went away?"

The effects tend to ripple outward.

Employees might not get paid. Customers may have their own security compromised. And the harm to reputation can have a long-lasting effect.

With that perspective, the value-to-investment ratio for small businesses is often easier to understand.



53% of employees keep confidential work data in personal cloud storage accounts

(Dell, 2017)

An ever-changing threat landscape

The other thing small businesses need to remember is that cybersecurity is an ongoing and evolving practice, not a thing they can set and forget. That's because hackers never stop refining their attacks.

"There's a ton of new stuff coming out," says Delapena. In addition to viruses, malware and other digital threats, hackers increasingly are using social skills, profiling and psychology in their attacks.

Delapena recalled one small business who called Dell for help after being scammed. A hacker used a data breach to learn about a major project, figured out where the small business needed help, and reached out with an offer of assistance that seemed like just what the client needed.

The client paid \$10,000 for what it thought was a needed service – and then the hacker took the money and ran.

"The best thing you can do is be very cautious," Delapena concludes. "These people are very inventive and creative and have the wherewithal to try new things."

Top threats to small businesses – and how to defend against them

Phishing: Capturing usernames and passwords by directing victims to fake, but real-looking, login pages.

Defense: Train employees to be suspicious of unexpected emails and look at "from" addresses.

Ransomware: Malicious software that locks the owner out of data and demands payment in exchange for releasing control.

Defense: Don't click suspicious links or download untrusted files. Use security software to inspect files.

Data breaches: Hackers get into company files, where they can steal customer data, client work, intellectual property or financial data.

Defense: Strong passwords, computers with enhanced security features and gap-free network protection – lock down Wi-Fi and don't let employees use private cloud storage to store work files.

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Man in Nobel Literature scandal is convicted of rape

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — The man at the center of a sex abuse and financial crimes scandal in Sweden that is tarnishing the academy that awards the Nobel Prize in Literature was convicted of rape and sentenced Monday to two years in prison.

Jean-Claude Arnault, 72, a major cultural figure in Sweden, had faced two counts of rape for the same woman in 2011. He was found guilty of one rape but was acquitted of

the other because the victim said she was asleep at the time and judges said her account wasn't reliable. Arnault had denied the charges.

In Sweden, rape is punishable by a minimum of two years and a maximum of six years in prison.

Arnault is married to a Swedish Academy member and poet, Katarina Frostenson, and is the reason that the famous yet secretive literature body is in such turmoil right now.

Attorney: Abuse claim against Rep. Ellison is unsubstantiated

ST. PAUL, Minn. — An ex-girlfriend's allegation that Rep. Keith Ellison, D-Minn., once physically abused her could not be substantiated because she won't provide video she said she had of the incident, an attorney hired to investigate the claims concluded in a draft report.

The report was compiled by Susan Ellingsstad, a lawyer hired by Minnesota's Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party to invest-

igate the allegation against Ellison, who has denied the allegations.

Karen Monahan alleged in August that Ellison dragged her off a bed while screaming obscenities at her in 2016.

The draft report notes Monahan's shifting rationale for refusing to produce the video, including that it was lost, was on a USB drive in storage and that it would be too traumatic to release it.

Christian TV network enters the world of 24-hour news

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — A Christian TV network is entering the crowded world of 24-hour news broadcasting.

The Christian Broadcasting Network's news channel will provide a religious perspective that other channels lack, CEO Gordon Robertson, son of evangelist Pat Robertson, said in advance of the network's formal launch Monday.

The CBN News Chan-

nel, to air on local television stations in 15 U.S. cities, will produce original programming and commentary on everything from the power of prayer to Justin Bieber's faith and Christian persecution in the Middle East, Robertson said.

Pat Robertson helped revolutionize religious TV through the Christian Broadcasting Network. He also ran for president in 1988.



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President Trump congratulates Ronald Shurer during a White House ceremony Monday.

Ex-medic receives top medal for actions in Afghan battle

WASHINGTON — A former Army medic who received the nation's highest military honor Monday for braving heavy gunfire to save lives in Afghanistan was rejected by the military the first time he tried to enlist.

"Boy that was a bad mistake. But they made up for it, right?" President Donald Trump said in a formal White House ceremony where 250 people gathered to laud former Staff Sgt. Ronald Shurer for his heroic actions in 2008 in a remote part of Afghanistan.

Shurer, a native of Fairbanks, Alaska, was a senior

medical sergeant in the Special Forces on April 6, 2008, when his team encountered machine gun and sniper fire and rocket-propelled grenades from militants.

Shurer stabilized one soldier, then fought his way through a barrage of bullets and up a mountain to the lead members of the unit. There, he treated and stabilized four more soldiers. Shurer helped evacuate them, carrying and lowering the wounded down the steep mountainside, using his body to shield them from gunfire and shrapnel. After he put the wounded

in an evacuation helicopter, Shurer went back up the mountain to fight.

First rejected by the military because of a medical condition, Shurer sought to enlist again a year after 9/11 and was accepted.

He was promoted from sergeant to staff sergeant in late 2006 and served with the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force in Afghanistan from late November 2007 to late May 2008. He was honorably discharged a year later.

Shurer lives in Burke, Va., with his wife, Miranda, and sons Cameron, 10, and Tyler, 7.

Catalan separatists demonstrate in Barcelona

SANT JULIA DE RAMIS, Spain — Activists blocked railway lines, students skipped classes and supporters of Catalonia seceding from Spain marched in large numbers Monday to mark the anniversary of a referendum that was part of a thwarted bid for independence last

year.

The evening march in Barcelona, the region's capital, drew what local police estimated was a crowd of 180,000 people. A spontaneous spin-off demonstration produced a tense face-off between police and lingering protesters, capping a day of

noisy and largely nonviolent demonstrations.

Last year's Oct. 1 referendum, ruled illegal by a court, was stopped by Spanish police and failed in its bid to produce a separate Catalan state. For many Catalans, the vote symbolizes their long fight for self-determination.

Iran fires missiles at Syria militants over attack

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's Revolutionary Guard launched six ballistic missiles as well as drone bombers early Monday toward eastern Syria, targeting militants it blamed for an attack on a military parade last month while also threatening regional adversaries.

The missiles had enough range to strike regional U.S. military bases and targets inside Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

Iran's supreme leader has called out the two Arab nations by name, accusing them of being behind the Sept. 22 attack on the parade in the Iranian city of Ahvaz, something denied by both Riyadh and Abu Dhabi.

The Guard, a paramilitary group that answers directly to the supreme leader, said it followed the missiles with bombing runs by remotely piloted drones, a first for Iran.

Gun heist: About 400 guns were stolen from a United Parcel Service facility in Memphis, Tenn., the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives said Monday.

Two people in a U-Haul truck stole the weapons Sunday. The agency is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction.

Palin son in custody: Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's oldest son, Track, was arrested on suspicion of assault less than a year after being accused of attacking his father.

Alaska State Troopers say Track Palin, 29, resisted arrest as they took him into custody assaulted a female acquaintance late Friday.

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EDITORIALS

Trading up: This NAFTA rewrite should boost Midwest exports

Donald Trump's approach to trade policy, as with many topics, is different from that of past presidents. His scripts typically include plenty of threats, complaints and drama, designed not just to get his way but to keep the public engaged.

Not being drama critics, we'll let others judge the entertainment merits of his strategy. But when it comes to tangible results, his renegotiation of NAFTA has worked better than his detractors expected.

The new United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, or USMCA, came to fruition in cliffhanger talks with Canada that ended Sunday.

It retains most of the valuable parts of the 1994 trade deal, which was designed to facilitate more commerce and greater economic integration among the United States, Canada and Mexico. Under it, trade among the three has grown from about \$290 million to \$1.2 trillion.

But as you would expect of an economic compact drafted before the internet, email and mobile phone use became part of every facet of life, it was due for a renovation to accommodate changes in these North American economies. The ones agreed on by the three governments in recent months reflect that need.

For the Midwest, NAFTA has been a boon. Automakers have gained from being able to make and assemble different components wherever efficiency dictates. With some tweaks — which, regrettably, will make it more expensive to build vehicles in Mexico — the new accord largely preserves that system.

It's no accident that the two biggest customers for Illinois exports are Canada and Mexico, and sales have grown at a solid pace in recent years.

That corn you see being harvested when you drive through the countryside? In a normal year, about 40 percent of it is

shipped to our North American neighbors. A tariff war with either or both of them, which might have erupted had the talks failed, would have taken a heavy toll on heartland farmers.

There are other useful steps, notably stronger protections for intellectual property, which is a particular U.S. strength. Canada and Mexico obtained commitments that they won't be subject to the 25 percent auto duties Trump has threatened to impose on other countries.

He won a big concession by persuading Ottawa to take steps to open up its highly protected dairy industry — which has long blocked U.S. competition with import quotas and tariffs as high as 300 percent. We take it as good news that Dairy Farmers of Canada immediately denounced the change. Wisconsin and other Midwest dairy farmers, who lost sales after Canada tightened its rules last year, are likely to take a more positive view.

Trump correctly dropped his demand to get rid of the independent tribunals set up in the original treaty to resolve disputes about trade policy. Some trade hawks see them as an infringement on American sovereignty, but they serve to ensure a fair process to everyone.

Keeping them was perhaps the highest priority for Canadians — who otherwise would have to litigate in American courts, where U.S. companies would enjoy a home-field advantage. The panels function to promote free commerce under established rules, something that benefits all three nations.

NAFTA created a mostly open continental market that fosters trilateral growth, cooperation and progress — and, not least important, Midwestern prosperity.

In concluding the new pact, the administration deserves credit for preserving that fundamental achievement.

For Cubs, the moment of moxie is here

There's scrap, and there's scrappy. It's been some time since the Cubs dusted themselves off of the scrap heap of baseball's wait-till-next-year also-rans to become a regular at the postseason party. This year marks their fourth consecutive appearance in the playoffs. They snatched glory and the hearts of America in 2016, and almost reached the Series again last year.

This year's run for the ring is on the line. On Monday, the Cubs came up short, losing 3-1 in an extra game tie-breaker against the Milwaukee Brewers to decide the division winner. On Tuesday they'll play a one-game wild card playoff against the Dodgers.

Dire straits? Nah. There's a different feel to this team. They've had to make do without key players because of injury (closer Brandon Morrow, pitcher Yu Darvish) or administrative leave (Addison Russell). They've had slumps and bounced back.

But color these Cubs scrappy. Scrappy in sports is the flipside of juggernaut. It's duct-taped, any-which-way winning with ample next-man-up moments. It's not the uber-domination embodied in the Bulls championship runs in the '90s, or the Bears' Super Bowl Shuffle season, or even the Cubs of 2016, who won it all with a star-studded cast.

Recent memory conjures up one team that undeniably was scrappy personified. Last year's Loyola University Ramblers won over this city and the nation not just because they made it to the Final Four, but because they showed so much grit getting there. They moxied their way up. Remember the buzzer beaters? The pregame pep talks from Sister Jean, who sprinkled into her prayers reminders that "You're good jumpers. You're good rebounders. You're good at everything."

We'd like to think of this year's Cubs as scrappy incarnate. Minor leaguers have become major contributors. Third baseman David Bote tops that list. His two-out walk-off grand slam to beat the Washington Nationals at Wrigley on Aug. 12 was



Chicago Cubs third baseman David Bote, left, celebrates his walk-off grand slam against the Nationals on Aug. 12 at Wrigley Field. NUCCIO DINUZZO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

about as clutch as it gets. The regular season bullpen was filled with no-names who carried their weight — Randy Rosario, Alec Mills, Allen Webster, Jorge De La Rosa — not exactly Wheaties box material. Yet.

Cub fans again are hoping their Boys of Summer can make October glory-filled. And as fans revel in yet another postseason run, they can embrace the frayed edges that make whatever the Cubs achieve this year that much more satisfying. Just how

far can they go? Who knows. Remember, though, they were down three games to one to the Indians in 2016 as they headed back to Cleveland for Games 6 and 7.

We know how that ended: with a confetti-festooned bus trip to Grant Park.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

To the extent that the hearing went beyond the specifics of Christine Blasey Ford's allegations and sought to humiliate and discredit Brett Kavanaugh for who he was as a teenager nearly four decades ago (a dynamic that was quite pronounced in some Democratic questioning of the nominee), it was deeply concerning. When public life means the ransacking of people's private lives even when they were in high school, we are circling a deeply illiberal drain ...

The Founders were obsessed with this. They realized how precious privacy is, how it protects you not just from the government but from your neighbors and your peers. They carved out a private space that was sacrosanct and a public space which insisted on a strict presumption of innocence, until a speedy and fair trial.

Perhaps gay people are particularly sensitive to this danger, because our private lives have long been the target of moral absolutists, and we have learned to be vigilant about moral or sex panics. For much of history, a mere accusation could destroy a gay person's life or career, and this power to expose private behavior for political purposes is immense. ...

This is particularly dangerous when there are no editors or gatekeepers in the media to prevent any accusation about someone's private life being aired, when economic incentives online favor outrageous charges, and when journalists have begun to see themselves as vanguards of a cultural revolution, rather than skeptics of everything.

Andrew Sullivan, New York Magazine

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'Resist' movement: Where were you when Illinois needed you?



KRISTEN MCQUEARY

Karen Feldman is a Republican, a mom and a real estate agent from Lincolnshire running for the state House.

More than two dozen separate mailers funded by the Democratic Party of Illinois portray her as an extremist who would criminalize abortion and give assault weapons to schoolchildren. She carries the outlandish mailers in a folder bound by an over-worked rubber band.

Of course, the characterizations are inaccurate. But with the money spigot flowing from billionaire Democratic gubernatorial nominee J.B. Pritzker, and not enough nonpartisan fact-checkers, attack ads from House Speaker Michael Madigan's party are more plentiful and vicious this cycle. The party is emboldened. It shows. But here's where the resistance



Feldman

movement at the national level, driven mostly by women, should be circumspect. The politics of President Donald Trump and the policy choices flowing out of Washington should not be conflated with what has unfolded at the state level. Rage and frustration at Trump, and by extension the national Republican Party, are understandable given our hyperpartisan political environment.

But what of the Democrats' one-party rule in the Illinois legislature since 2003? To the resistance movement, a question: Where have you been?

Where was the resistance to legislators giving themselves pay raises, based on house-of-cards budgets, while spending on social service programs remained frozen or even dropped?

Where was the resistance to budgets that shortchanged public schools and the disabled but always managed to fund clouded programs and pet projects of Democratic Party leaders?

Where was the resistance to a property tax system, particularly in Cook County, that for more than a decade has pushed elderly and mi-

nority homeowners out of their residences? Where was the resistance to obvious conflicts of interest between Democratic Party officials and their allies in assessors' offices? Those cozy relationships benefited affluent homeowners (and their clouted attorneys) while cheating taxpayers in property-poor communities.

Where was the resistance to underfunding the state pension system, the liabilities of which rose to more than \$100 billion in 2014 from roughly \$40 billion in 2003?

Who was in charge of state government? Not Trump, that's for sure.

Budgets don't animate Illinois voters much. But spending decisions matter. Budgets are moral documents. Ours have been indefensible.

Feldman, who served on the Lincolnshire Village Board and faces a well-funded Democrat, is at the mercy of voters who don't often delineate between national and state politics. On Nov. 6,

Election Day, here's hoping they will do just that.

Feldman says she supports abortion rights. She supports common-sense gun legislation. She describes herself as a mainstream fiscal conservative. But with an "R" next to her name, she is constantly fending off questions about President Trump. It appears just about every Republican this election cycle is in the same boat.

So if resistance is your theme, at least pause and reflect when you contemplate state offices and legislative seats. Hold accountable longtime political leaders and their loyal soldiers who have saddled this state with debt, who have institutionalized failure, who continually turn to additional taxation and who are driving away their own citizens.

Resist that too.

Trump politics and the policy choices in D.C. should not be conflated with what has unfolded at the state level.

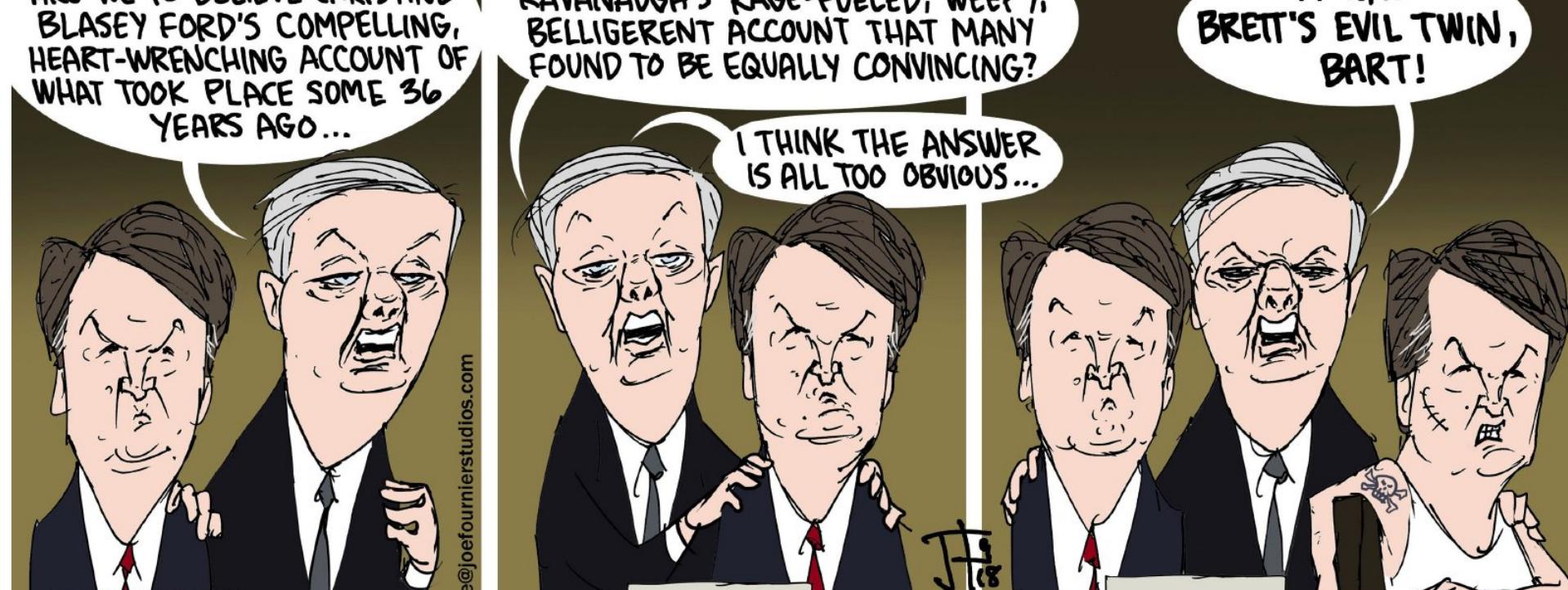
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Treasure Island's closing feels crushing — but I blame myself

BY MARILYN KATZ

The man at the deli counter told me that Treasure Island was closing. In the space of an hour I experienced nearly all of psychiatrist Elisabeth Kubler-Ross' stages of grief — denial, anger, the need to bargain (but with whom?) and then depression.

After all, its outdated sign and parking lot on Broadway at West Stratford Place had been there, it seemed, forever, a symbol of endurance as other stores and fads had come and gone. In the city, there are few more enduring ties to my childhood and indeed my adult life. And, of course, the most important occasions revolve around food. The decades of Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner turkeys, baby food for my newborn, deli trays ordered for shiva, last-minute trips before the Jewish holidays to stock up on food to give to those in need.

But today, what I mainly feel is guilt, because I played a role in the demise of Treasure Island. Like the person who too late realizes she should have treated her lover better as he walks out the door, I am overtaken by remorse. Did I really need to buy a six-month supply of paper towels at Costco just to save a dollar or two? Was it really that much more convenient to order Method soap online? Were the strawberries at Whole Foods really any better-tasting than the ones at Treasure Island — organic or not?

I loved a story I heard about a woman whose wallet was found and returned by a Treasure Island employee. When I needed grape leaves for a party and the store was all out, I personally appreciated the staff person who called another location and made sure the product arrived in time. The remorse I feel is rooted in more than nostalgia; it's about integrity, com-

munity and even safety.

When my local pharmacy was sold to Walgreens and a young pharmacist there decided to open his own shop, my choice was very clear. I understood the importance of having a pharmacist I knew and, in the three years that he has been in business, I have never strayed. I encourage others to pay the extra dollar or two to support that small business.

What happens to our neighborhoods, to our businesses or to our commercial streets is ... about the decisions each of us makes each day.

Why? Because I trust that the personal relationships he and his staff forge with their customers not only feel good but ensure a better outcome — fewer mistakes, more care. Is it any different with a grocery store? For years I knew Carla in vegetables and then Gus. When I, or any customer, asked for something new or which cantaloupe was ready to eat, the answer would be one you could trust.

Chicago is a city of progressives: It gave the nation the eight-hour workday, elected Harold Washington as mayor and brought Barack Obama to the notice of the nation. We pride ourselves on being the city of neighborhoods, of small businesses, a place where the second-highest-grossing shopping district is the entrepreneur-packed neighborhood of Little Village.

We are also a city of wealth, particu-

larly and ironically in the neighborhoods where Treasure Island felt forced to close stores — Hyde Park, Lincoln Park, Lakeview, Old Town and the Near North Side.

We are also a city that likes to blame our problems on our elected leaders, whether parking meters or property taxes. We get exercised, as we should, about the loss of neighborhood schools; we should get as exercised about the loss of neighborhood stores (as anyone who lives in a food desert on the West or South sides will agree).

The truth is that what happens to our neighborhoods, to our businesses or to our commercial streets is really less about what happens in City Hall or City Council and more about the decisions that each of us makes each day.

Locally owned businesses are important for small and big reasons:

- They can be held accountable for what they do well and when they falter.
- They hire locally (often giving neighborhood kids their first jobs).
- They are important civic allies in neighborhood and city matters.
- They build community wealth by keeping assets and profits in our city.

Kubler-Ross' last stage of grief is acceptance. But in this case, I'd argue that acceptance is less of the fact of the responsibility. If we want strong neighborhoods, we have to fight for them — not only by insisting that our leaders provide bus service or schools or parks, but by making the small but critical decisions in our own lives that reflect our often asserted, but rarely lived, values of thinking global and acting local.

The need and opportunities are great. It is not too late to start.

Marilyn Katz is president of Chicago-based MK Communications.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Being 17

I'm 17 years old, the same age Brett Kavanaugh was when he allegedly assaulted Christine Blasey Ford. While I find Ford's accusations credible, many pundits, politicians, and members of the general public have been unabashed in their defense of President Donald Trump's latest Supreme Court nominee. These people argue that the allegations levied against Judge Kavanaugh are false, but some also state that even if they are true, it's no big deal because he was just in high school.

I'm here to call that out. Adolescents, though clearly flawed and relatively inexperienced, are not amoral beings. I know right from wrong and good from bad. Virtually everyone my age does. When he was 17, Judge Kavanaugh did too. He certainly knew at least on the surface that assault in all its forms is wrong.

My values — the values of most people — evolve over time and are ever-changing.

Kavanaugh's moral compass, however, was either broken or nonexistent. Empathy cannot be taught. It can only be learned through experience and serious introspection.

He obviously no longer is the same person he was nearly four decades ago, but his repeated lies and evasive non-answers under oath make clear the same glaring personality flaw: He lacks empathy, and therefore the ability to both self-reflect and see the world through others' eyes. You need both to sit on the bench. Whether or not the allegations against him are true, Judge Kavanaugh is unfit for his current job, let alone a lifetime appointment to the highest court in the land.

— Sam Weinberg, Glenview

Two-for-one

In his Sept. 28 op-ed, Allen Sanderson wrote about the call by some Illinois politicians (i.e., Democrats) for a progressive

income tax. On the other hand, Illinois Republicans (all three of them) say Illinois needs real public employee pension reform. But both of these ideas require an amendment to the Illinois Constitution to be approved. So here is my Monty Hall/“Let's Make a Deal” suggestion.

Instead of just one constitutional amendment, we pass two. One of them would permit a progressive income tax. The other would allow the state legislature to adjust future pension accruals of current state employees. I am not talking about cutting pension benefits already earned. I am merely suggesting the legislature should have the right to adjust, i.e., reduce, pension benefits that current state employees earn in the future.

Part of the deal would have to be that, if only one of the two amendments passed, the legislature wouldn't enact a progressive income tax or reduce future pension accruals, depending on which one passed, until the other amendment also passed. Since you couldn't do that by law, you would need an agreement between our political leaders that they wouldn't take advantage of the situation. (Right, I know. I believe in fairy tales, too. But the Cubs did win the 2016 World Series.)

Breakthrough on heart disease is rare opportunity

BY MAX NISEN

When medical breakthroughs are announced, they often affect a surprisingly small number of people. Many new drugs these days are targeting rare diseases or niche patient groups, and their impact is further restricted by price.

Fresh results from Amarin Corp.'s test of purified fish oil Vascepa in people at risk for heart diseases are an exception — and one more likely than any recent drug outcome to affect the average person.

Vascepa was shown to reduce the risk of cardiovascular events like heart attack or stroke by 25 percent in high-risk patients, much more than analysts hoped for, and without side effects. Add to that its relative cheapness, and it's a result that could affect millions, change how heart disease is approached, and justify the more than tripling of Amarin's share price after the test results became public. In fact, it may be the rarest success of all: a breakthrough that

cost-conscious, health care gatekeepers don't hamper, but embrace.

It's been easy to doubt Amarin, which has been working on this trial for the better part of a decade. The scientific rationale is there: Omega-3 fatty acids like the one Amarin is testing can reduce high triglycerides, a risk factor for cardiovascular disease. But many previous fish-oil trials have failed. Vascepa's purity enables a

higher dose without raising cholesterol, as other fish oils can. Amarin bet that focusing on high-risk patients with persistently high triglycerides would reveal the benefit of that higher dose and was proved correct.

Insurers already approve coverage of the drug for use by a small group of patients with very high triglycerides, but there is a strong case to be made to expand coverage more broadly. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the U.S., and heart attacks and strokes are incredibly expensive for the health care system. Preventing them not only saves lives, it saves money.

Other drugmakers have tried and failed to make a similar argument with other treatments, most notably so-called PCSK9 inhibitors drugs from Amgen Inc. and Sanofi and Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc. These medicines are able to dramatically lower bad cholesterol beyond what older statins can manage, and can significantly reduce cardiovascular events in a high-risk population. But their list price of more than \$14,000 at launch has caused insurers to substantially restrict availability.

Amarin said it will revisit its pricing, but right now Vascepa's list price is about \$2,400 a year, much lower than those other drugs. That kind of price, combined with the number of people who could benefit and the size and rigor of the trial, will make aggressive restriction difficult.

Some skepticism about previous failures and Amarin's claims that its drug's purity is hard to replicate will remain, and the company didn't disclose data on important secondary endpoints. But in an industry where progress is often incremental and inaccessible, this is a rare result where the real-world impact may exceed the hype.

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So, how about it, Illinois leaders? A progressive income tax in exchange for real pension reform?

— Patrick J. Allen, River Forest

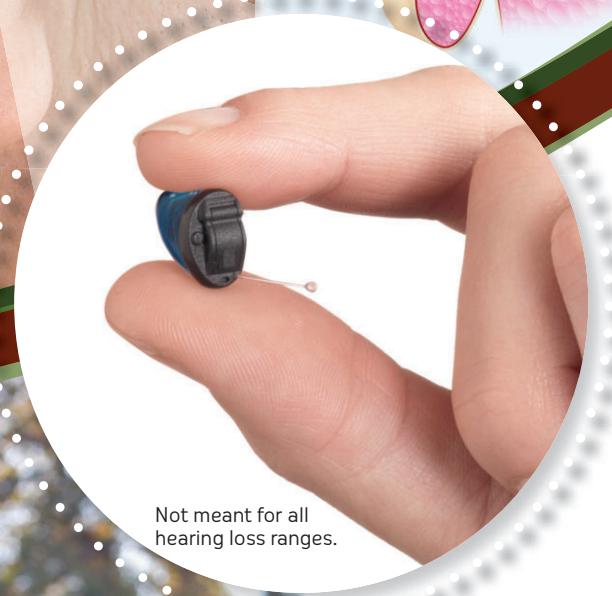
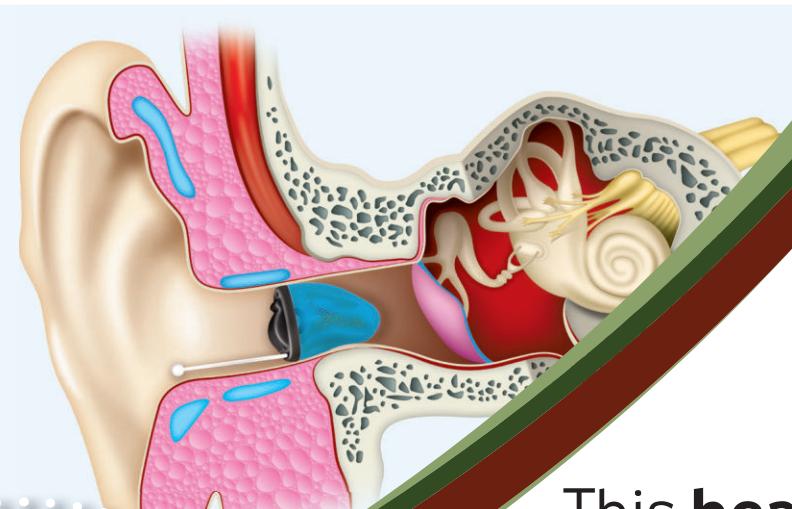
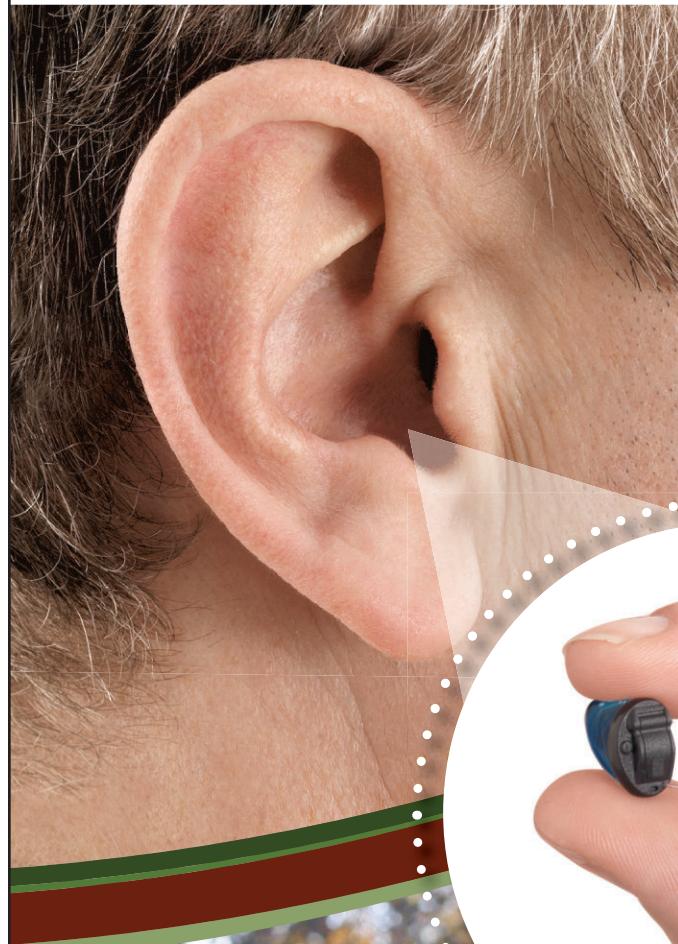
Meaningful reform

I read the Sept. 28 article about the federal officials withholding millions in grant funds from Chicago Public Schools because of its failure to protect students from sexual abuse. I welcome the federal officials looking into Chicago matters because it appears to be the only way that we will see any type of meaningful reforms in city management.

For far too long Chicago's political leaders have run the city as if it were their private club, taking care of their families and cronies, while other city residents are left to twist in the wind. It is beyond astonishing to me that CPS officials could have let this abuse matter go on for so long. How do they sleep at night? What type of consciences do they have?

I have often said that things happen in Chicago, as well as in Cook County, that no one can explain, as if they were coincidences. I hope the federal officials can force some change.

— Howard Herman, Skokie



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BUSINESS

Struggling GE pulls the plug on its CEO

Shares jump 7% after Culp replaces ousted Flannery

Associated Press

BOSTON — General Electric ousted its CEO, took a \$23 billion charge and said it would fall short of profit forecasts this year, further signs that the century-old industrial conglomerate is struggling to turn around its vastly shrunken business.

H. Lawrence Culp Jr. will take over immediately as chairman and CEO from John Flannery, who had been on the job for just more than a year. Flannery began a restructuring of GE in August 2017, when he replaced Jeffrey Immelt, whose efforts to create a higher-tech version of GE proved unsuccessful.

However, in Flannery's short time, GE's value has dipped below \$100 billion and shares are down more than 35 percent this year, following a 45 percent decline in 2017.

The company was booted from the Dow Jones Industrial Average this summer and shares tumbled last month to a nine-year low after revealing a flaw in its marquee gas turbines, which caused the metal blades to weaken and forced the shutdown of a pair of power plants where they were in use.

GE warned Monday that it will

miss its profit forecasts this year and it is taking a \$23 billion charge related to its power business.

The 55-year-old Culp was CEO and president of Danaher Corp. from 2000 to 2014. During that time, Danaher's market capitalization and revenues grew five-fold. He already is a member of GE's board.

It is a track record that GE appears to need after a series of notable changes under Flannery failed to gain momentum immediately.

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Culp



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General Electric, which said it will fall short of profit forecasts this year, hired H. Lawrence Culp Jr. as its new CEO.

Court rules against Akorn merger

BY LISA SCHENCKER
Chicago Tribune

Shares of Akorn dove by more than 50 percent Monday after a Delaware judge ruled that a German health care company may walk away from its plans to acquire the drugmaker in a deal worth \$4.75 billion.

A Delaware Chancery Court judge sided Monday with Fresenius Kabi, which announced in April that it would terminate its agreement to acquire Akorn, headquartered in Lake Forest.

Fresenius decided to end the deal amid questions about Akorn's regulatory compliance and a downturn in its business, according to the judge's opinion. Akorn sued, seeking to preserve the agreement.

But J. Travis Lester, a judge for the court, wrote in his Monday opinion that Fresenius was allowed to terminate the merger agreement, in part, "because Akorn's representations regarding its compliance with regulatory requirements were not true and correct" and because of the "magnitude of the inaccuracies."

Akorn said in a news release that it plans to appeal the ruling. Akorn shares had fallen to \$5.36 by the close of market Monday.

"We are disappointed by the ruling by the Delaware Chancery Court determining not to force Fresenius to close and we continue to believe Fresenius' attempt to terminate the transaction is in breach of our binding merger agreement," Akorn said in the release.

Fresenius noted in its own news release that an independent investigation, initiated by Fresenius, found "material breaches of (U.S. Food and Drug Administration) data integrity requirements" in Akorn's operations.

In his opinion, the judge said that the court, in other cases, has often criticized buyers who try to exit deals because of cyclical trends or industrywide issues that hurt their own businesses. But he said this case was different because of "unexpected events at Akorn."

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Protesters rally outside the Hyatt Regency Chicago on Monday as workers continue their strike against the hotel.

10 hotels still on strike; Hyatt criticizes union

Year-round health care coverage a sticking point in dispute

BY CORILYN SHROPSHIRE
Chicago Tribune

Workers still on strike at 10 downtown hotels remained on the picket lines Monday, after a weekend in which employees at five hotels ratified contracts and returned to work. The sticking point in the labor dispute, now more than three weeks old, remains year-round health care coverage.

Workers at four Hilton hotels — the Palmer House Hilton, The Drake, the Hilton Chicago and the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Chicago Magnificent Mile — ratified contracts Saturday. Workers at the Inn of Chicago ratified their contract on Sunday.

As a result, 16 hotels have reached agreements with housekeepers, doormen, cooks and other workers who went on strike

Sept. 7. Those 3,500 hotel workers covered by the new collective bargaining agreements have wintertime health care coverage. Before, workers who were temporarily laid off during the slow winter months risked losing their health insurance.

Hotels that have yet to come to an agreement with striking workers include: Hyatt Regency Chicago, Hyatt Regency McCormick Place, Ambassador Chicago, Cambria Magnificent Mile, Crowne Plaza Hotel Chicago-Metro, Hampton Inn/Homewood Suites Magnificent Mile, Holiday Inn Mart Plaza, Kinzie Hotel, Warwick Allerton and Wyndham Grand.

Each hotel brand negotiates with workers separately.

More than 1,000 Hyatt workers remain without a contract, according to the union, UNITE

HERE Local 1.

On Monday, hundreds of strikers marched outside the Hyatt Regency, banging metal pots and pans, buckets, cymbals and drums and holding "Unite Here" signs, as they chanted, "We don't get a contract, you don't get no peace."

Demetrius Jackson, a convention services worker at the Hyatt Regency, said despite the hardship on his family, he and his wife, Jackie McCastle-Jackson, will continue striking until an agreement is reached. Jackie McCastle-Jackson works in hotel housekeeping and previously has been laid off during the winter months.

"We've made personal sacrifices, paying what few bills we can," the South Shore resident said. "We get paid out of the strike fund, but that's a fraction of what we make. It's a sacrifice we have to make. These hotels have made

billions of dollars and we're just trying to get our just due."

Last week, Hyatt Hotels said it asked a federal mediator to intervene in the dispute.

"Hyatt has agreed to the same wage and benefit increases and extended health care that the union has agreed to with other hotels," said Michael D'Angelo, Hyatt's vice president of labor relations - The Americas.

"The union is remaining uncooperative, further demonstrating that it has no desire to reach an agreement. We remain committed to finalizing an agreement and hope the union is as well," he said.

The work stoppage, at its peak, affected 26 downtown hotels. Roughly 6,000 workers across 30 downtown hotels are covered by contracts that expired at the end of August.

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United extends bet on Dreamliner, adds 9 more

BY JUSTIN BACHMAN
Bloomberg News

United Continental Holdings ordered nine Boeing 787-9 wide-body jets valued at more than \$2.5 billion, bolstering its bet on the Dreamliner to refresh its long-haul fleet.

Delivery of the new planes is expected to begin in 2020, the Chicago-based carrier said Monday. United plans to have 40 Dreamliners in its fleet by year's end, with an additional two dozen on order.

The purchase will enable United to fly more 787-9s on some of its longest nonstop routes — such as Houston to Sydney and San Francisco to

Singapore — replacing older, less-fuel-efficient planes like the Boeing 777. The deal's value is based on list prices, although large airlines typically receive steep discounts.

The order boosts United's bet on the Dreamliner, Boeing's most advanced plane. United also said it will begin flying the new 787-10 on Jan. 7, becoming the first North American carrier to operate the latest, and longest, version in the Dreamliner family. The 787-10 is 18 feet longer than the 787-9, which has the longest range among Dreamliners, at 7,635 nautical miles.

The 787-10 initially will fly on two of United's 12 daily routes to Los Angeles from its Newark,



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United's \$2.5 billion purchase of more Boeing 787s will allow it to replace 777s on longer flights.

New Jersey hub, and on one daily flight to San Francisco from Newark. The airline will shift some of the planes onto European routes starting next summer, according to United's pilots union. The 787-10 is the largest of Boeing's three Dreamliners, carrying about 330 passengers in a two-class configuration.

DeVry chain sale raises red flags for critics of DeVos

BY COLLIN BINKLEY
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A little-known venture capitalist is on the verge of acquiring one of the biggest for-profit colleges in the country, a transaction that would put him in control of a troubled national chain that's more than 60 times the size of the tiny California school he currently owns.

The Trump administration has given a tentative green light to Chicago-based Adtalem Global Education's sale of DeVry University. The school is set to be sold to Bradley Palmer, chairman of the Connecticut-based Palm Ventures, even as critics warn the

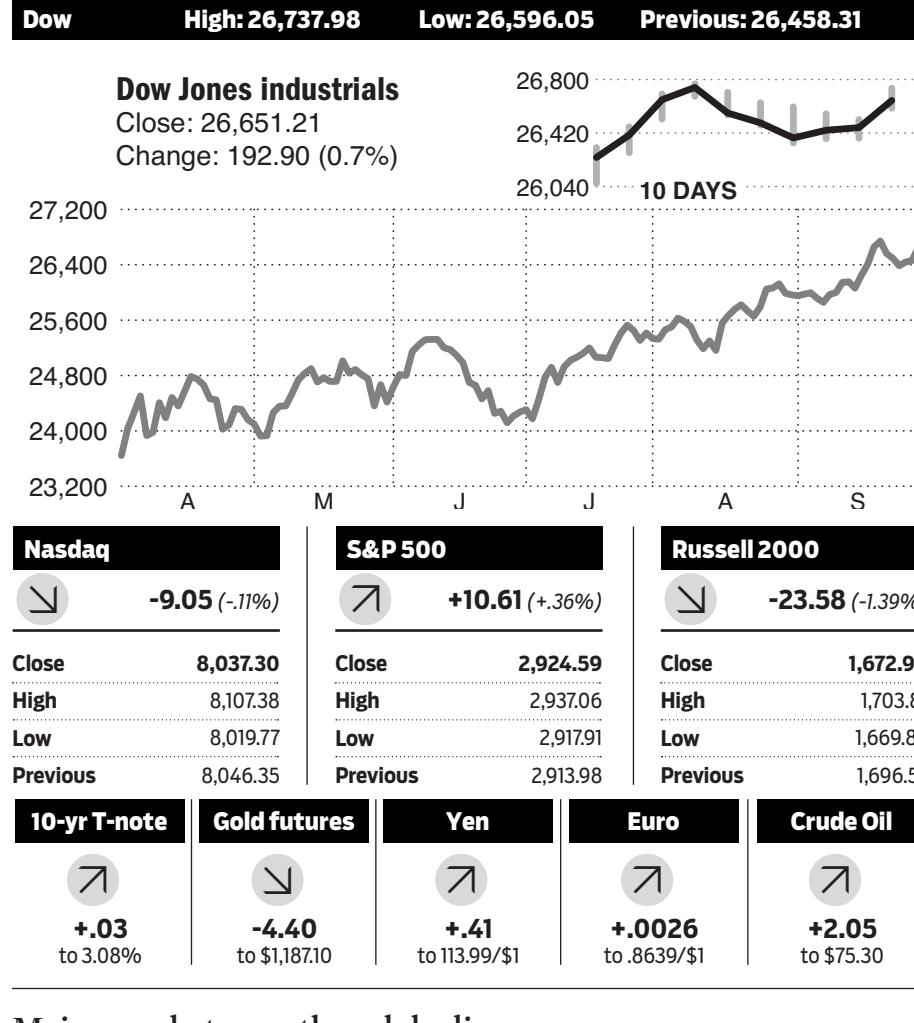
deal raises red flags. Chief among them is the challenge of taking over such a large institution. DeVry, which has an annual enrollment of about 46,000, also faces thousands of fraud complaints filed by students.

The DeVry acquisition is the inverse of how Washington typically works. Often companies spend heavily to influence a government decision or policy in their favor. But there's no sign that any of the parties employed lobbyists or made significant political contributions specifically to push the sale forward.

Like most transactions in the for-profit world, the DeVry deal has received little public scrutiny

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MARKET ROUNDUP



Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+.34	+.55	+.18	+2.64	-.89	+.80	+18.15	+23.33	+15.64

FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 18	510	515.25	505.50	509.50	+.50
		Mar 19	529	533.75	524.25	528.75	+1.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 18	356.75	366.50	356.50	365.75	+9.50
		Mar 19	368.50	378.50	368.50	377.75	+9.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Nov 18	845.50	864	843	857.75	+12.25
		Jan 19	859.50	877.50	857	871.75	+12.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Oct 18	28.70	29.08	28.52	29.01	+.33
		Dec 18	28.99	29.40	28.79	29.31	+.32
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Oct 18	305.30	312.60	305.30	310.50	+.50
		Dec 18	308.80	316.70	308.60	313.80	+.48
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMEX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Nov 18	73.29	75.77	72.95	75.30	+2.05
		Dec 18	73.07	75.58	72.77	75.14	+2.08
NATURAL GAS (NYMEX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Nov 18	3.007	3.117	3.001	3.094	+.086
		Dec 18	3.094	3.193	3.085	3.172	+.081
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMEX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Nov 18	2.0908	2.1384	2.0791	2.1275	+.0418
		Dec 18	2.0820	2.1315	2.0696	2.1208	+.0451

Source: The Associated Press

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First, it was razors. What's next?

Startup execs seek bigger slice of body care products

BY ALEXANDRA OLSON
Associated Press

NEW YORK — What do you hate shopping for? Toothpaste? Sunscreen? The guys who founded Harry's shaving club want to know.

The startup, which took on razor giants Gillette and Schick with its direct-to-consumer subscription model, since has expanded into traditional retail and launched a line of body care products. Armed with \$112 million in new financing to develop new brands, the company now is investigating what other sleepy products might be ripe for disruption.

"It might be better products, a better experience getting the products or a brand that appeals to who they want to be as people," said Jeff Raider, who recently took on the role of CEO of Harry's Labs, overseeing the development of new brands.

There's a reason Harry's investors are betting that reinventing the razor was no flash-in-the-pan idea. Insurgent brands are shaking up the way people buy everything from mattresses to prescription acne remedies, eating into the market share of big consumer product companies and leaving them scrambling to respond.

Eager venture capitalists, digital technology and social media make it easier for anyone with a good idea to enter the consumer goods market, according to a report on insurgent brands by Bain & Company, a management consulting firm. Contract manufacturing, which allows companies to outsource production and sometimes defray costs, also has made it simpler.

"The reality is that no category is immune to disruption," the Bain & Company report said.



Jeff Raider, left, and Andy Katz-Mayfield, co-founders of Harry's Inc., are investigating other brands to disrupt. MARY ALTAFFER/AP



Harry's Inc. once took on razor giants Gillette and Schick. Toothpaste and sunscreen brands might be next.

Digital newcomers still represent only a fraction of the overall market share, according to the report. But such companies are capturing a disproportionate share of growth in recent years.

Harry's has captured

about 2 percent of the \$2.8 billion men's shaving industry since its launch in 2013, according to Euromonitor, a market research firm. Its main rival, Dollar Shave Club, has about 8 percent.

It has been a gut punch to

the industry leaders.

Gillette controlled about 70 percent of the U.S. market a decade ago. Last year, its market share dropped to below 50 percent, according to Euromonitor.

No. 2 razor maker Schick also has been squeezed, losing 3.6 percent in net North America razor sales in the most recent quarter.

Both major brands now offer subscription services on their own direct-to-consumer sites, which they are leveraging to promote their lower-end razors while also showcasing their edge in technological innovation.

"Our blades are known for their long-lasting quality, which means you need less cartridges per year as compared to the other shave clubs in the market," said Stephanie Lynn, vice president of Global eCom-

merce for Edgewell, Schick's parent company.

Pankaj Bhalla, brand director of Gillette North America, said increasing its online sales is a "key part of our strategy." He offers a reality check for the shave clubs: While Gillette might be new to the direct-to-consumer game, the brand says it has 70 percent of the market share on online retailers such as Amazon and Jet.com.

But critics say both incumbents were slow to respond to the new competition.

"Initially, the biggest players underestimated the potential of these brands, and when they reacted either by dropping prices or by launching their own subscription models, the damage was done," said Fatima Linares, beauty and fashion

research manager at Euromonitor International. "It's still unknown what these companies will do to revert the situation, or if that is possible at all."

Harry's says it now has 6 million customers in the U.S. and Canada. It says business has grown 70 percent year-over-year, though it does not release sales figures.

For Harry's and Dollar Shave Club, simplicity is the point. Harry's sells one five-blade razor with a choice of two different types of handles, priced at about \$2 per cartridge under its subscription plan. Dollar Shave Club offers a 4-blade and a 6-blade razor, with the cheaper one priced at \$1.50 per cartridge.

It is a deliberate contrast to the dizzying array of razors offered by Gillette and Schick, the legacy of their century-old tradition of trying to outdo each other. Their lower-end products are priced comparatively with the shaving clubs, while their premium razors are much pricier.

How the newcomers compare in quality is a matter of furious social media debate. Harry's gets its share of negative reviews from customers who say its razors feel cheap, but others are fiercely loyal.

Greg Lesko, a 56-year-old Harry's customer from the Pittsburgh area, said he became "fed up" with Gillette's high prices. "I wouldn't go back if you paid me," he said.

Like other insurgent companies, Harry's and Dollar Shave Club took off because they tapped into shoppers' grievances.

Harry's CEO Andy Katz-Mayfield said the idea for the startup came to him during a 2011 visit to a drug store, where he had to ask an employee to unlock a case to spend \$25 for blades and shaving cream.

Raider said he hopes to mine the 2 million interactions Harry's has had with customers to find more gripes.



NantEnergy says it has created a storage system that can provide power at a lower cost.

Zinc-air batteries spark vision of cheaper energy

BY CATHY BUSSEWITZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Remote villages in Africa and Asia are receiving electricity using a little-known type of technology: zinc-air batteries.

The goal is to provide a battery that can capture renewable energy and store it for later use.

California-based NantEnergy said last week it has created a rechargeable zinc-air battery storage system that can provide power at a lower cost than lithium-ion systems.

The technology has been deployed in more than 110 villages serving 200,000 people who have no other access to electricity in their communities, NantEnergy Chairman Patrick Soon-Shiong said.

"If you look at a map of Earth at night and you see where it's darkest, it's in Africa, Asia and developing countries," said Soon-Shiong, also the owner of the Los Angeles Times. "To reduce cost and be competitive with fossil fuels is critical."

Companies are working to develop alternatives to lithium-ion or lead-acid batteries commonly used for energy storage, aiming

to create a product that's cheaper and more environmentally friendly.

NantEnergy said its zinc-air battery system can deliver energy for \$100 per kilowatt hour.

"Today the only batteries that are in that price range are lead-acid batteries," said Ramkumar Krishnan, chief technology officer of NantEnergy.

By comparison, lithium-ion batteries vary in price but often range from \$300 to \$500 per kilowatt hour, according to the Energy Storage Association.

Companies such as Tesla have been pushing to lower battery prices into the \$100 to \$200 per kilowatt hour range.

"If this is true, it would be great," Jay Whitacre, director of the Wilson E. Scott Institute for Energy Innovation at Carnegie Mellon University, said of NantEnergy's efforts.

"It's not just how much it costs when you buy it, it's how long it lasts," Whitacre added. "I have no reason to think that it doesn't work, but I also would need to see some evidence to support these claims. Extraordinary claims require extraordinary support."

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The microgrids are powered by solar panels that capture energy from the sun when it is shining.

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Waterbed promoters riding newfound wave of popularity

BY JENNIFER KAY
Associated Press

TAMARAC, Fla. — Waterbeds still elicit a wink, nudge, nudge whenever they come up in conversation — but two pioneers of the industry in the United States are hoping to generate a new wave of popularity for the old furniture concept by using a wholesome new pitch.

Talking about temperature-control innovations and health-conscious consumers, inventor Charles Hall and City Furniture CEO Keith Koenig don't sound like wild and crazy guys. They aren't the ones who joke that millennials claiming to have never seen a waterbed likely were conceived in one.

They just sound enviably well-rested.

In the City Furniture showroom in Tamarac, a sign promises Afloat mattresses are "not your parents' waterbed." Koenig flops onto one, describing how it contours to his physique while also fitting into standard bedding and stylish bed frames.

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They've traded product names Hall used in the 1970s such as The Pleasure Pit and Pleasure Island for the sober-sounding Firm and Pure models.

"Seeing a thing undulate like they did in the early 1970s, people looked at it and said, 'Well, this is an interesting ride,'" Hall said. "Now it's comfort first."

With materials unavailable in waterbeds' heyday, Hall said, "it's been kind of fun to reimagine all the things to make the design better."

It has been 50 years since Hall initially designed a waterbed for a thesis project at San Francisco State University. By the mid-1980s, the Waterbed Manufacturers Association reported roughly \$2 billion in annual sales.

"People who might have bought it for Saturday nights, then started using it every night," Hall said.

Michael Dart was one of those 1980s customers in Rochester, N.Y. His waterbed didn't move with him to Florida several years later, and Dart said he missed its comforting warmth. When he went shopping in June, he was thrilled to see the Afloat beds at City Furniture and bought the first one.

"Charlie was a smart, conservative, laid-back, California design guy, and this industry that he grew, that he started, became pretty wild," Koenig said. "The parties at the trade shows in the '70s and '80s, well, I couldn't stay long, and Charlie was not that kind of guy, either."

"Really, you got a waterbed?" And I'm like, "Yeah, they're really good; they're better than they ever were." I'm like a pop-culture hero now with the guys at work."

If those guys think Dart is swell, they should meet Jeri Lollis, who really seems to be living her best life with a waterbed. She bought her first one 40 years ago, about the same time she installed a mirror on her bedroom ceiling in her red-roofed mobile home in Hull, Ga.

"I bought it because it was different, it was controversial, it was almost a conversation piece," said Lollis, a retired deputy.

Two years ago, for her 80th birthday, Lollis bought a new waterbed, and she still gets a kick out of the looks she gets about her bedroom setup.

Koenig is quick to clarify that while one of Hall's waterbeds was covered in velvet and featured in Playboy magazine, the inventor was no Hugh Hefner.

"Charlie was a smart, conservative, laid-back, California design guy, and this industry that he grew, that he started, became pretty wild," Koenig said. "The parties at the trade shows in the '70s and '80s, well, I couldn't stay long, and Charlie was not that kind of guy, either."

"It's like floating, it's so nice," Dart said at his Coral Springs home. "Everybody

OBITUARIES

ART HELLYER 1923-2018

Chicago radio career spanned 6 decades

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH

Chicago Tribune

Indefatigable, playful and gifted with a distinctive, deep voice, broadcaster Art Hellyer was a mainstay on Chicago's radio airwaves from the 1950s through the 1980s on numerous stations, where he often posted top ratings and pioneered a host of zany antics.

"He was really the top guy in Chicago radio in most of the 1950s, and he was his own man," said radio historian and broadcaster Chuck Schaden. "And he was a person who cared about his audience more than he cared about his sponsors, and that would be considerable because he cared a lot about his sponsors. And he certainly cared more about his audience than he cared about the program directors that he frustrated over the years. Art was the kind of guy who said, 'I want to respond to my listeners, what they want to hear.' And Art was a comedian."

Hellyer, 95, died of congestive heart failure on Sept. 5 at Edward Hospital in Naperville, said his son Larry. He had lived in Naperville since 1962.

Born in Chicago, Hellyer grew up in Hinsdale, Glen Ellyn and Elmhurst, and graduated from York High School in Elmhurst in 1941. He attended Loyola University Chicago for one year before enlisting in the Army during World War II, serving as a meteorologist for the Army Air Corps at various air bases.

After the war, Hellyer returned to the Chicago area and enrolled at the Radio Institute of Chicago. His first radio job was at the start of 1947 at a small station in Charleston, WV, followed by jobs at stations in Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Aurora, Ill.; and Milwaukee.

Hellyer aspired to work at one of Chicago's major stations. In 1950, he started mailing postcards to the program director of the 50,000-watt Chicago station WCFL-AM, asking for a "rescue" from his afternoon show at Milwaukee's WMIL-AM. Hellyer playfully auditioned for the WCFL job while on air in Milwaukee, and he won a job hosting weekends at WCFL. Two years later, Hellyer was promoted to WCFL's morning shift, a slot he called the "Morning Madcap."

Hellyer concocted a variety of comedy bits on his show, including April Fools' Day pranks such as giving a time that was one hour off or introducing incorrect song titles.

While hosting his show on WCFL, Hellyer concurrently took on-air shifts on other stations throughout the city. While that practice is unusual today, it was commonplace in the 1950s, when many radio announcers freelanced their talents around the dial. Hellyer also handled voice-over work for a variety of sponsors, and he co-hosted a live show on WENR-TV — now



WBMM RADIO 1966

Born in Chicago, Art Hellyer grew up in Hinsdale, Glen Ellyn and Elmhurst.

WLS-Ch. 7 — in 1950 called "Rate Your Mate."

Hellyer also hosted a live, in-stadium pregame show from Comiskey Park for WCFL from 1953 until 1955, interviewing ballplayers, coaches and executives.

In 1957, WCFL fired Hellyer after he hosted his top-rated show from the Chicago Trade Show at a makeshift location on Navy Pier. One of the trade show's attractions was the First National Bank's display of \$1 million in cash. That sparked an on-air critique from Hellyer about how such a conspicuous display would "build greed and avarice in us," his son said, and a subsequent firing.

Hellyer was a morning drive host at WAIT-AM from 1957 until 1959, and he was an announcer and reporter for WBMM-AM from 1961 until 1963. He also hosted a short-lived word quiz game show on WGN-Ch. 9 in 1958 called "It's in the Name."

Hellyer was an announcer for ABC in Chicago, both for its local TV and radio stations and for the network, from 1959 until 1961. That work included introducing Paul Harvey's and Alex Dreier's shows, and hosting their shows while they were off the air. He returned to ABC for a second stint as an announcer from 1963 until 1979.

Hellyer's work for ABC provided some of his career's most memorable — and tragic — moments. He anchored the news on ABC-owned WBKB-TV — now WLS-Ch. 7 — for 24 hours after the death of President John F. Kennedy in November 1963. He also was a street reporter and the station's regular late-night news anchor for WBKB.

While working a shift for WBKB on State Street on live TV on New Year's Eve 1967, Hellyer was attacked by a young man on the air. The incident badly injured Hellyer, and he spent time in wheelchairs and in physical therapy for the next decade, his son said. He suffered chronic back pain for the rest of his life.

"That really has crippled me for life," Hellyer told the Tribune in 1996. "It slowed me down terribly."

However, Hellyer remained a constant on Chicago's airwaves, hosting shows on WOPA-AM from 1964 until 1968, on WLS-FM from 1968 until 1969 and on WJJD-AM from 1982 until

1983. His later forays in radio included a three-year daily hosting job on the fledgling national Satellite Music Network from 1985 until 1988, hosting weekends for WJOL-AM in Joliet from 1988 until 2002 and hosting a show from 2011 until 2012 on internet radio. Hellyer signed off the airwaves for good at age 88.

In 1996, Hellyer reflected to the Tribune that he had been fired 14 times in his career.

"I always said every one of my battles was over creative control," he said, perhaps half in jest. "I wanted to be creative, and they wanted control."

Schaden summed up Hellyer's career as that of a passionate, original broadcaster who wasn't afraid to ridicule management directives that he considered pointless.

"Art was a bridge-burner, and sometimes he'd burn a bridge before he had an opportunity to cross it, so consequently, he couldn't get everything he wanted out of broadcasting," Schaden said. "But he loved broadcasting. He lived with it and breathed it and he almost died with it. He was onto something, because his audiences loved him, and the naturalness of his work."

Hellyer also taught broadcasting for a time at the College of St. Francis in Joliet and at Columbia College, where his students included WLS-Ch. 7 traffic and transportation anchor Roz Varon and former WGN-AM news anchor and current "Garry Meier Show" podcast news anchor Leslie Keiling. Varon was a student of Hellyer's in 1979 in a class called "Old Time Radio."

"We listened to these old radio programs, and then he would tell his stories to add to that, and he was just very, very engaging and very entertaining," Varon said. "He had a wicked sense of humor, and he was just a terrific storyteller."

Varon also noted Hellyer's pride in following her career, which he displayed through frequent encouraging comments on social media.

In 2008, Hellyer self-published a book of autobiographical essays titled "The Hellyer Say." He was the subject of a 2011 documentary of his life, titled "Wake Up Chicago! The Art Hellyer Story."

Hellyer also worked for a time as a salesperson for Tosi Builders in Naperville and emceed some events at Naperville's annual Last Fling festival.

Hellyer's wife of 51 years, Elaine, died in 1998. In addition to his son, Hellyer is survived by two other sons, Mike and Jeff; two daughters, Debbie Denson and Vickie; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

No services were held. Hellyer's family is planning a public celebration of his life at a later date.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON OCTOBER 2 ...

In 1950 the comic strip "Peanuts," created by Charles Schulz, was first published in nine newspapers.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS

Oct. 1 **02 16 21 30 43 50 / 12**

Lotto \$16M

Pick 3 midday **743 / 6**

Pick 4 midday **7213 / 1**

Lucky Day Lotto midday **04 08 16 31 41**

Pick 3 evening **617 / 4**

Pick 4 evening **9481 / 0**

Lucky Day Lotto evening **05 09 11 17 23**

Oct. 2 Mega Millions: \$367M

Oct. 3 Powerball: \$229M

WISCONSIN

Oct. 1 **345**

Pick 3 **9160**

Badger 5 **01 11 17 21 26**

SuperCash **09 11 19 24 25 29**

INDIANA

Oct. 1 **989 / 7**

Daily 3 midday **9963 / 7**

Daily 3 evening **209 / 2**

Daily 4 evening **3712 / 2**

Cash 5 **27 33 37 40 42**

MICHIGAN

Oct. 1 **451**

Daily 3 midday **2509**

Daily 3 evening **731**

Daily 4 evening **1218**

Fantasy 5 **03 13 20 26 39**

Keno **01 03 07 08 11 12**

13 17 19 25 29 37 42 47

50 56 60 66 73 76 77 79

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In 1984 Richard Miller became the first FBI agent to be arrested and charged with espionage; he was sentenced to 20 years in prison, but was released after 9 years.

In 1990 the Senate voted 90-9 to confirm the nomination of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court.

In 1999 the Brooklyn Museum of Art opened its much-hyped "Sensation" exhibit, which had drawn controversy with some of the artwork involved, including a portrait of the Virgin Mary decorated with elephant dung.

In 2002 Enron executive Andrew Fastow was charged with inflating the energy giant's profits and siphoning off millions for himself.



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Goodman, Sondra

Sondra Goodman nee Miller, 80. Beloved wife of Larry Goodman. Loving mother of Beth (Jeff) Grafstein, Jonathan (Anna) Spector, Serena (Alan) Heller and Debbie (Scott) Davis. Cherished grandmother of Joshua Rosenberg, Jordyn and Jared Heller, Benjamin and Ethan and Emma Davis, Josh and Maya and Jacob Grafstein. Dear sister of Harriet (Alan) Reisman. She will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her. Service Thursday, 11:00 at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to your charity of choice would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjfun.com](http://cjfun.com)

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Harvey Sr., Thomas W.

A memorial visitation for Thomas W. Harvey Sr. will be held Friday, October 19, 2018, from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the **Ahlgrim Family Funeral Home**, 201 N. Northwest Highway, Palatine, IL, 60067. The funeral Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, October 20, 2018 at St. Theresa Catholic Church, 455 N. Benton Street, Palatine, IL, 60067. Private family interment to follow at St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine. Thomas W. Harvey Sr. passed away September 27th, 2018 in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Thomas was born in Escanaba, Michigan, in 1917. He was a veteran of World War II and he was an active 3rd degree member of the Knights of Columbus as well as their oldest member at age 101. Thomas worked his entire career for the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, retiring as AVP Car Management. Thomas was preceded in death by his beloved wife, lone Harvey. Thomas is survived by his children Thomas (Debra) Harvey Jr., Robert (Denise) Harvey, his grandchildren, great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Please omit flowers. Donations in his memory may be made to Little Sisters of the Poor, C/O St. Joseph Home for the Elderly, 80 W. Northwest, Palatine, IL, 60067, (littlesistersofthepoornpalatine.weshareonline.org/), or St. Theresa Catholic Church, 455 N. Benton Street, Palatine, IL, 60067. (sttheresachurch.org/portfolio/donate-now/) For information, call the **Ahlgrim Family Funeral Home**, Palatine, at 847-358-7411, or visit www.ahlgriffss.com.

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Adducci, Rev. Anthony J.

Rev. Anthony J. Adducci age 67. Palos Heights resident, Born and raised in Chicago's Roseland neighborhood/St. Anthony Parish.

Son of the late Mary nee Curci and James Adduci, CFD. Brother of Samuel (Linda) Adducci. Uncle of Christina (Gene) Kent and James (Jacqueline) Adducci. Great uncle of Samuel, Aiden, Gianna, Joseph, Anthony and Matthew. Dear friend of many. Graduate of Quigley H.S. and St. Mary of the Lakes Seminary. Ordained May 12, 1976. Fr. Anthony loyally served the Archdiocese of Chicago. He had assignments at St. Ferdinand, All Saints/St. Anthony, and St. Fabian and retired after over 20 years as Chaplain at Columbus and St. Joseph's Hospital. Resting at St. Alexander Church, 7025 West 126th St., Palos Heights on Thursday October 4th from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Funeral Friday with viewing from 10:00 AM until time of Mass at 10:30 AM. Private entombment in Adducci family crypt Mausoleum of the Archangels, Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Worth. For further service information, contact **Panozzo Bros. Funeral Home**, Chicago Heights 708-481-9230 or panozzobros.com.

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Ban, Helen M.

Helen M. Ban, nee O'Reilly, age 97. Beloved wife of the late Joseph J. Dear mother of Donald (Anna) and Peggy (Jim) Foy. Loving grandmother of Kimberly (Eric) Sledgister, James (Crystal) Foy, Jennifer (Nick) Stocznay, Michele (Tim) Shannon and great grandmother of Addison, McKenna, Josephine, James Patrick and Ella. Dear sister of the late Marcelle McCann. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Visitation Thursday 9:00 a.m. until time of prayers 10:30 a.m. at **Beverly Ridge Funeral Home**, 10415 S. Kedzie Ave. Mass 11:00 a.m. Queen of Martyrs Church. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. 773-779-4411

Beverly Ridge Funeral Home

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Considine, Joan Ann

Joan Ann Considine (nee Mahen), age 81, of Lisle, IL, former longtime resident of Lombard, IL, passed away Sunday, September 30, 2018 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born October 6, 1936 in Chicago, IL. Visitation Thursday, October 4, 2018, 4:00-8:00 PM at **Friedrich**

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Katsogianos, Jerry

Jerry Katsogianos, age 82, passed away September 30, 2018. Beloved husband of Vasso, nee Pipikios; loving father of Janet (Jim) Schroeder & Steven Katsogianos; proud grandfather of Emily, Victoria, Billy & Jeremy. Dear brother of the late Christina, the late Demetrios (Dina) & the late William (Fay) Katsogianos. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews and their families. Jerry was an original owner of The Buffalo Restaurant in Buffalo Grove Illinois until he retired in 2007. Visitation Wednesday, October 3, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home located at 185 E. Northwest Highway, Palatine. Family & friends will meet Thursday morning, October 4, 2018 at 10:00 am, at St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 133 S. Roselle Road, Palatine, IL 60067. Interment Memory Garden Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers; instead, donations may be made to St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church. Arrangements made by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please all 847-359-8020.

**John G. Adinamis
Funeral Director, Ltd.**

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Langrill, Richard

Richard Langrill age 77, of Glenview, IL. Beloved husband of Anna Langrill nee Maturi; loving father of Daniel (Tamara) Langrill and John (Jordan) Langrill; proud grandfather of Andrew, Colin, Willem and Remy Langrill dear brother of Mary (John) Feldbruegge. Richard was a Captain in the U.S. Army. He was an Engineering Manager at Motorola, where he worked for 34 years. Visitation Friday, October 5, 2018 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass Saturday, October 6, 2018 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove Street Glenview, IL 60025. Interment All Saints Cemetery, DesPlaines, IL. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Our Lady of Perpetual Church. Info : www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Ledermann, Robert P.

Robert P. Ledermann, 80, of Chicago. Proud Swiss citizen and author. Dear husband of Annette nee Koeppel; beloved uncle of Theresa (Tom) Donaldson, Cathy Klatt, and Jennifer (Jerome) Smith; Loving great uncle of Kaitlyn, Julia, and Ryan. Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 4th, 10am until time of Funeral Service at 12pm, **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 6150 N Cicero Avenue, Chicago. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or www.smithcorcoran.com

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Lorenz, Danielle Morgan

Danielle Morgan Lorenz, 27, born Aug. 23, 1991, of Chicago; Loving daughter of Mike and Fran Lorenz; Dear sister of Veronica (Mark) Kriesemint and Nikki (Zach) Fricke; Loving girlfriend of Tim Pattysen; Beloved aunt of London. Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, October 6th, 10am, Queen of All Saints Basilica, 6280 N Sauganash Ave, Chicago. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Brain and Research Foundation, <https://bbrfoundation.donoronline.com/campaign/Danielle-Lorenz-Memorial>. Visitation Friday October 5th, 3- 8pm, **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 6150 N Cicero Avenue, Chicago. Info 773-736-3833 or www.smithcorcoran.com

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Lynch, Lawrence T.

Lawrence T. Lynch, 67, of the south side, husband of Monica nee Podbielski, father of Julianne, Phillip and Alexander, son of the late William and Catherine nee Reid, brother of John, son-in-law of Wincelaus and Rosemary Podbielski, brother-in-law of Dr. Francis (Anna) Podbielski, Joseph (Lucia) Podbielski, uncle of Linda and Lisa Podbielski. Visitation Friday, October 5, 2018 from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Chapel prayers Saturday, 8:30 am at the **Krueger Funeral Home**, 13050 S. Greenwood Ave., Blue Island, to Incarnation Church, 5757 W. 127th St., Palos Heights for Mass at 9:30 am. Interment St. Benedict Cemetery, Crestwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Veterans Home LaSalle or St. Margaret's Hospital Hospice of Spring Valley, IL. 708-388-1300 www.kruegerfuneral.com

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Maloney, Carol

Carol Maloney, Age 73. Beloved wife of Bob, Retired C.P.D., Loving mother of Michael (Sophia) Maloney, Cherished grandmother of Diego. Dear sister of the late Robert (Ginny) Giese. Fond aunt of David & Alan. Devoted friend of Rita Cinquegrani. Visitation Wednesday Oct. 3 from 3 to 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Friends and Family are asked to meet Thursday 10:45 a.m. at Acacia Park Cemetery, 7800 W. Irving Park Rd for Graveside Services at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to The American Lung Association, 55 W Wacker Dr., Chicago, IL 60601. Funeral Info: www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708.456.8300.

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Pizzo, Marguerite 'Margo'

Marguerite "Margo" Pizzo, nee Triolo, age 60, of River Forest, IL and Marco Island, FL. Beloved wife of James "Jim"; loving mother of Maria Pizzo, Andrea (Colten) Maertens-Pizzo, and Sophia Pizzo; dear daughter of the late Peter and the late Angela Triolo; cherished sister of Dr. Peter "Tom" (Dr. Pamela) Triolo and Joseph A. (Joan Carlton) Triolo; adored sister-in-law of Patricia (Brian) Bauer, Jack Pizzo, Pamela (Peter) Russell, Peg (Alan) Mickelson, and the late Joel (Estelle) Pizzo; daughter-in-law of Joseph and Elizabeth Pizzo; fond aunt of dozens; friend of many throughout Oak Park River Forest. Margo was active in the St. Luke's choir and an active tennis and golf player at the Oak Park Country Club. Margo was the ultimate organizer for her family, friends, and social activities. She always puts the needs of others first, and will impact the lives of four through her organ donations. Visitation Wednesday October 3rd, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home**, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Visitation Thursday, October 4th, 9:30 a.m. until time of Mass 10:30 a.m. at St. Luke Church, 7600 W. Lake St., River Forest. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-383-3191 or drechslerbrownwilliams.com

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McGinley, Beth

Beth McGinley age 68; Beloved wife of Paul for 47 years; Loving mother of John; Cherished sister of Jackie (Cal) Collins and the late Tom (Karyn) Arnold; Aunt Beth will be dearly missed by her many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday 3:00-9:00pm at the Brady-Gill Funeral Home, 16600 S. Oak Park Ave. Tinley Park, where services will be held on Friday at 10:00am; Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society, 17060 S. Oak Park Ave. Tinley Park, Illinois 60477 appreciated. (708) 614-9900 or www.bradygill.com

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Mowat, Janice M.

Janice M. Mowat (nee Barr), age 85, of Oak Forest, passed away September 28, 2018. Beloved wife of the late John H. Mowat. Loving mother of John G. (Jackie) Mowat and Jill (Joseph) Barts. Cherished grandmother of Michele and Matthew Mowat; Daniel, Melanie and Laura Barts. Visitation Wednesday, October 3rd from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the **McKenzie Funeral Home**, 15618 S. Cicero Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Interment is private at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to honor Janice's memory may be made to a Humane Society of your choice. For information: 708-687-2990.

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O'Brien, Mary

Mary O'Brien (nee O'Connor), born November 2, 1929 in Youghal, Co. Cork, Ireland, died peacefully in her home in Chicago on September 28, 2018. Loving and dedicated wife of Maurice whom she missed dearly since his death in 2015.

Loving mother, role model and inspiration for Michael (Cheryl), Eithna (Jim) Byrne and John (Katy). Adored Nana to James, Kevin, Cora, Meaghan, Brenna, Emily, Emma, Tara, Alexander, Andrew and Ashley. Cherished sister of Anne (late Dan) Reppen, Eithne (John) O'Flynn, Angela (late Seamus) Dwyer, Diarmuid "Jerry" (Christina) O'Connor and the late George O'Connor. Aunt and dear friend to many. Raised in Youghal, Mary left for London at the age of 16 to help to support her family. She returned to Ireland after a few years where she and Maurice were married in 1952. In search of a more secure life, shortly thereafter, they emigrated, first to Toronto and then to Chicago, settling here in 1956.

Long time employee of Loyola University Chicago where she excelled at her craft. Mary was a woman of faith and remained Irish to her core. No day passed in which she did not think of the family and friends that remained in Ireland. Loved by all who knew her. "Our" love is always with you, and love is stronger than death." Oscar Wilde. Rest well with all our love. Visitation in church Friday Oct 5, 10:30 a.m. with Mass at 11, St. Timothy Catholic Church, 6326 N. Washburn, Chicago. Interment All Saints Cemetery, DesPlaines. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation are appreciated. For information **Barr Funeral Home** (773) 743-4034 Condolences are welcome to be left BarrFuneralHome.com

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Pakula, Maria

Maria Pakula (nee Macieczky), age 94. Beloved wife of the late Michael. Loving mother of Stanley Pakula and Sophie (Tadeusz) Hajnos. Dear grandmother of Jeffrey (Donna) Pakula, Gregory (Jenn) Pakula, Chrissy (Tony) Direnzo, Robert Hajnos, Steven Hajnos and Michael Hajnos, dear great grandmother of Justin, Andrew, the late Paige, Brandon, Julia, Kaylee, Alena and Allison. Visitation Wednesday, October 3, 2018 from 8 a.m. to time of funeral prayers at 10:45 a.m. at the Richard-Midway Funeral Home 5749 Archer Ave. (corner of Lorel) processing to St. Daniel the Prophet Church for an 11:30 a.m. Mass. Interment Resurrection Cemetery.

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Petropoulos, Peter C.

Age 89. Loving husband of Barbara (nee Tomczak). Adored father of Ken (Michelle). Dear son of the late Charles and late Grace Nicklous. Cherished brother of the late Gus (late Fannie), late Joe "Lucky", late Katherine (late Arthur) Kirk, and late Helen (late Gabriele) Sakaakeeny. Proud uncle of the late Nick, Paul, Peter "Cubby", Jodaire, late Junior, Gabrielle, Staci, and Jimmy. Fond uncle of many other nieces and nephews and was very generous to many. Peter served in the Korean War, was a glazier by trade and owned numerous bars. His bond and love with his son were insurmountable and will never be forgotten. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 p.m. Funeral Thursday 9:00 a.m. from the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL to SS Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Service 10:00 a.m. Interment Evergreen Cemetery. www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878

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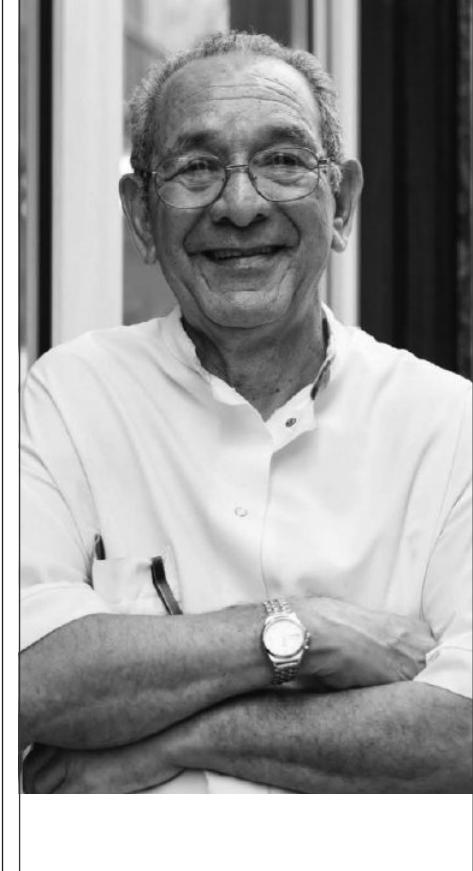
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Thalmann, Jr., Lawrence J.

Lawrence J. Thalmann Jr. age 88, Owner of Chalet Nursery, died October 4, 2018. Born in Wilmette on the 4th of July 1930. Attended New Trier High School and Bradley University. Served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Larry had an adventurous spirit and was an avid sailor. He even made a trans-Atlantic crossing on a 40 foot sailboat. Beloved husband of the late Margaret nee Goedreis and the late Marion nee Kessler; loving father of Lawrence III (Amy) and Mark (Becky) Thalmann; proud grandfather of Lawson, Carleigh and Jack and Cooper and Grace Thalmann; dear brother of Diane (the late Roger) Stanton. Visitation Thursday, October 4, 2018 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral Service Friday, October 5, 2018 11:00 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675 or Prostate Cancer Foundation 1250 Fourth Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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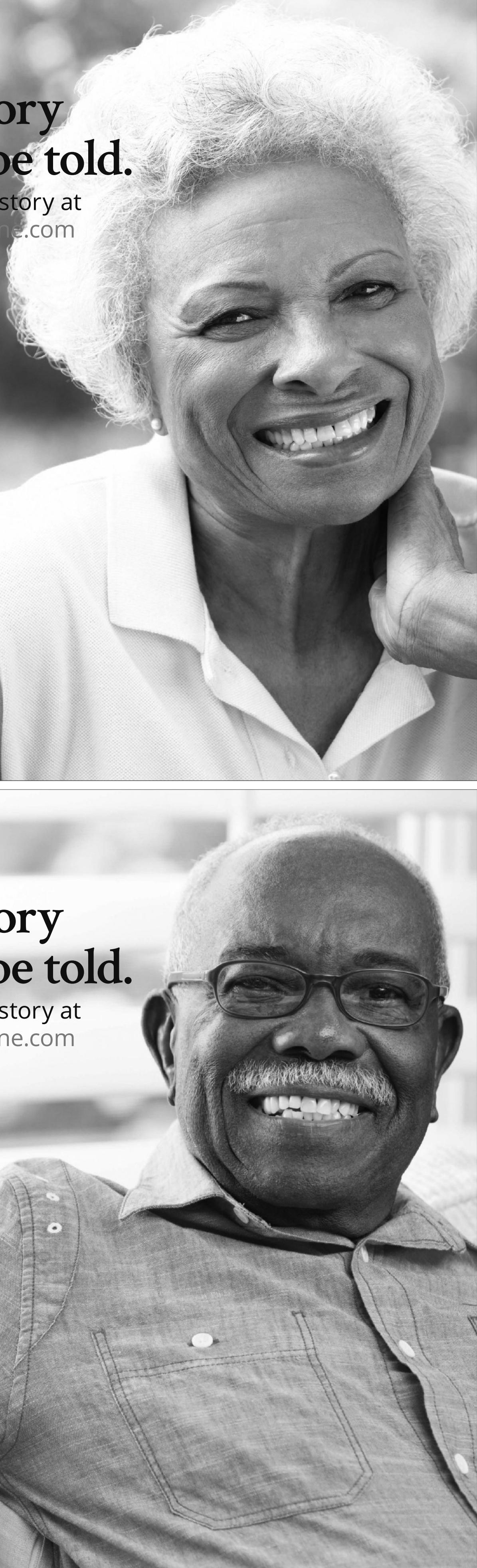


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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Destiny Brown

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Natasha Brown (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00212

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Damascus Curry (Father)** Any And All Unknown Fathers , respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on **October 31, 2016**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Robert Balanoff** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **10/23/2018 at 10:00 AM** in CALENDAR 12 COURTRoom L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

October 2, 2018

Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5899796

TO: Chicago Land & Title, LLC; Occupant, 6518 S RHODES AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005467. FILED: 9/5/2018. NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/4/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0002941. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2009-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 6518 S RHODES AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-22-218-027-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/4/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/4/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 58992265

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TO: Jesse J. Fulbright; Cynthia Fulbright; Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General; Occupant, 919 N. SAINT LOUIS AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005209. FILED: 9/4/2018. NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008471. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2007-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 919 N. SAINT LOUIS AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-04-217-017-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 58992265

TO: TCFC National Bank as Successor to TCF Bank; Juan Villa; Occupant, 1137 N KARLOW AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005230. FILED: 9/4/2018. NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008471. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2007-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 1137 N KARLOW AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-04-046-008-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 58992265

TO: Unknown Heirs & Legatees for the Estate of Eliza P. Smith; Eliza P. Smith; Brian R. Smith; Everett Smith; John L. Smith; Cassandra Mitchell Smith; Lisa Antoinette Smith; La Char Smith; William Smith; George E. Smith; Eliza Angela Smith; Shirley A. Smith; Patricia Woodward Smith; Patricia A. Smith; Donna Lynn Smith; Occupant, 316 N MAYFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005245. FILED: 9/4/2018. NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008518. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2006-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 316 N MAYFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-08-401-021-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5899402

TO: Hazel Osborne; Unknown Heirs & Legatees of Hazel Osborne; Kenneth McGowan; Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.; Eddie Osborne; The Estate of Hazel Osborne; Occupant, 2515 N LOCKWOOD AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005245. FILED: 9/4/2018. NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008573. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2009-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 2515 N LOCKWOOD AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-09-323-017-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5899402

TO: Abdus S. Khan; Barbara Dazzo; Marie K Oppensteiner; Thomas Fashoda; Dominick Fashoda; Carmen Fashoda, Jr; David Fashoda; Ulrich Vogt; Joseph Vogt; Occupant, 5301 W CHICAGO AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005235. FILED: 9/4/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008562. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2010-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 5301 W CHICAGO AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-09-105-044-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/7/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 589933

TO: Unknown Heirs & Legatees for the Estate of Eliza P. Smith; Eliza P. Smith; Brian R. Smith; Everett Smith; John L. Smith; Cassandra Mitchell Smith; Lisa Antoinette Smith; La Char Smith; William Smith; George E. Smith; Eliza Angela Smith; Shirley A. Smith; Patricia Woodward Smith; Patricia A. Smith; Donna Lynn Smith; Occupant, 316 N MAYFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005262. FILED: 9/4/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/7/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0008562. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2009-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Petition located at 316 N MAYFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-09-428-030-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/7/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/7/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in

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TO: Dragun Radojic; Milena Baljich; Budimir Radojic; Occupant, 6510 S EBERTHART AVE., CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005466. FILED: 9/5/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/4/2016. Certificate No. 155-0002939. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2006-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 6510 S EBERTHART AVE., CITY OF CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-22-217-025-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/4/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/4/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/4/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 21, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5892458

TO: Hubertus Investment Group Corp.; Occupant, 6553 S RHODES AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD005468. FILED: 9/5/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/4/2016. Certificate No. 155-0002942. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2010-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 6553 S RHODES AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-22-219-022-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/4/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/4/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/4/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5900652

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TO: James Glenn; Occupant, 6622, 6626 S LANGLEY AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018CTD005594. FILED: 9/6/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/4/2016. Certificate No. 15S-00030594. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2009-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at, 6622 S LANGLEY AVE., CHICAGO, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-22-229-026-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/4/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/4/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/4/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5900684

TO: OneMain Financial of Illinois, Inc; Freddie M. Alexander; Unknown Heirs & Legatees of Eva Halfacre; Midland Funding, LLC; Occupant, 6619 S LANGLEY AVE., CHICAGO, IL; CITY OF CHICAGO; CITY OF CHICAGO DEPT. OF WATER; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018CTD005436. FILED: 9/5/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 1/4/2016. Certificate No. 15S-0003005. Sold for General Taxes of (year). 2015 Scavenger (2005-2013). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at, 6619 S Evans Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-22-230-007-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 1/4/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 1/4/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 1/29/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 1/4/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. COUNTY OF COOK, D/B/A COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: September 24, 2018. Pub: 10/1, 2, 3/2018 5900692

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GAME 163 BREWERS 3, CUBS 1



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

With the Brewers beginning to celebrate behind him, Anthony Rizzo jogs off the field after making the final out of Game 163 on Monday at Wrigley Field. The Cubs will now play Tuesday.

Breaking bad

Cubs must face jarring truth:
Better team won final game



DAVID HAUGH
*In the Wake
of the News*

hungry for more, not unlike the 2015 Cubs once did before their maiden playoff voyage. They looked triumphant.

In stark contrast, the Cubs just look tired, their body language screaming for a break they won't get after losing what amounted

to the division championship game.

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Even an hour after beating the Cubs 3-1 in Game No. 163, Brewers players and their families posed for posterity as they lingered along the first-base line.

The Brewers looked happy and

to the division championship game.

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NL WILD-CARD GAME

Rockies (Freeland 17-7, 2.85) at **Cubs** (Lester 18-6, 3.32) 7 p.m. Tuesday, ESPN

FIRST-PITCH FORECAST

Mostly cloudy with east-northeast wind of 4 mph. Temperature 63 degrees.

NLDS GAME 1

Rockies-Cubs winner at Brewers Thursday, time TBA, FSI, MLB

OPENING SHOT

Steve Rosenbloom The Choice (and remember, death is not an option): The Cubs offense or the Cubs bullpen?

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to one game — for now — after a 3-1 loss to the Brewers in the NL Central tiebreaker before 38,450 mostly stunned fans at Wrigley Field.

Even with ace Jon Lester bringing an impressive resume to the Wrigley mound against the Rockies in the NL wild-card game on Tuesday night, the Cubs must supply him with enough offense and sustain it if they advance to play the Brewers in the division series beginning Thursday.

"We won 95 games, so it wasn't good enough," said Anthony

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BEARS

Next big foe: Complacency

Nagy warns 3-1 squad:
'Do not think that
you're a playoff team'

BY COLLEEN KANE

Chicago Tribune

The Bears' 48-10 thrashing of the Buccaneers on Sunday at Soldier Field will count as one victory in the standings, but it will provide two weeks of confidence in Chicago surrounding the team.

That's how Bears coach Matt Nagy described his feelings about heading into an early week off with a 3-1 record Monday at Halas

GAME 5
Bears
at Dolphins
Noon Oct. 14, FOX-32

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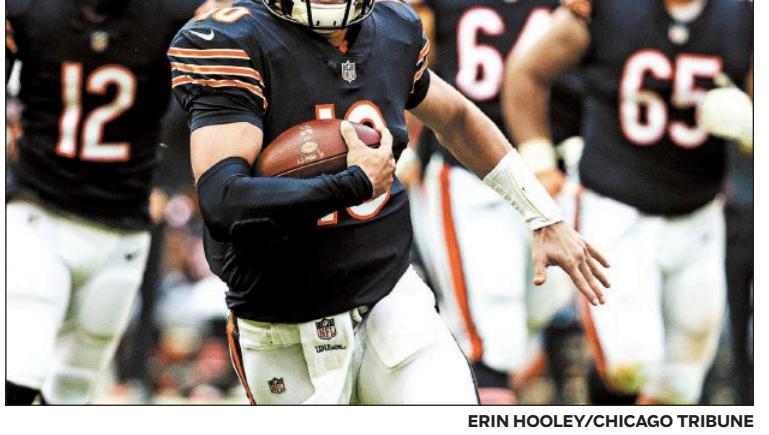
Hall.

The prolonged good vibes are nothing to scoff at for a fan base that went five years between enjoying three-game winning streaks. And they would seem to be beneficial for a Bears offense

that entered the weekend with some extreme outsiders already calling for the ousting of quarterback Mitch Trubisky after 15 career starts.

Nagy admitted Monday that Trubisky and his coaches and teammates on offense felt the weight of doing their part for a team that was defense-driven in its first two victories. The Bears defense led the league in sacks (18) and ranked in the top five in interceptions (eight), yards allowed per game (294.5) and points allowed per game (16.2) entering

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ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

In addition to his 354 passing yards and six touchdowns, Mitch Trubisky ran for 53 yards in Sunday's rout of the Buccaneers.

TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLOOM

Bats, bullpen share stench

Jose Quintana, your patsy was ready. The Brewers were in town Monday and — hot or not, MVP candidate or no — they were the exact team the Cubs needed to see with Quintana ready to go on regular rest.

In fact, they were the one team for whom the Cubs would send a fleet of limos. Quintana might not be the consistent arm the Cubs had anticipated when they acquired him from the White Sox last season, but he had consistently owned the Brewers.

In six starts against them this season, Quintana posted a 2.17 ERA and 0.88 WHIP. In 10 lifetime starts against the Brewers, Quintana was even better — a 1.60 ERA and 0.82 WHIP. The Brewers were the only team against whom Quintana had a WHIP below 1.0. Yes, this was his patsy. This was his start. This was his chance to give the fatigued Cubs a couple of days off before the National League Division Series and home-field advantage as long as they survive the league's postseason.

But no. Didn't happen. The Brewers won the NL Central at Wrigley Field, though you can't blame Quintana. You can blame the Cubs offense and bullpen, and maybe manager Joe Maddon for going to the bullpen so early.

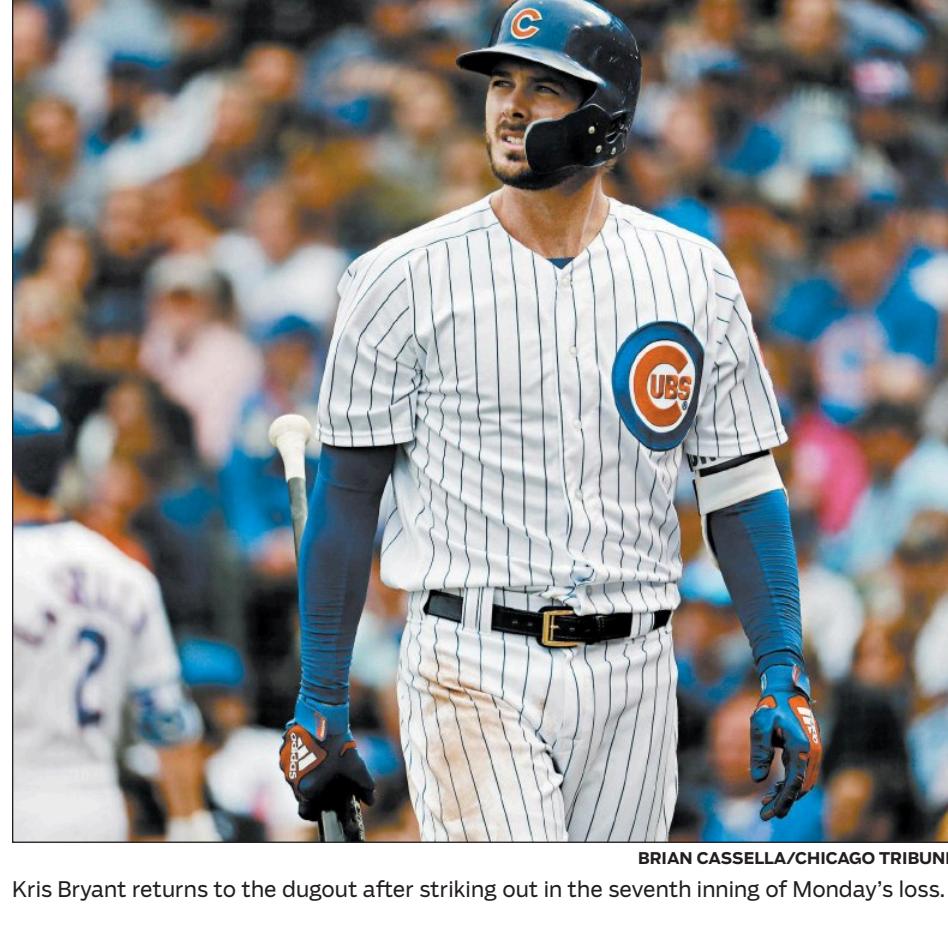
Quintana wasn't dominant. He was barreled up at times. But he gave the Cubs a chance to win, as much as he was allowed to while throwing just 64 pitches, giving up one run in five-plus innings.

Then it became a bullpen game, which would set off the much-discussed weirdness that weaved through the day and the game, one of two tiebreakers to decide NL division titles and wild-card combatants, the first at Wrigley and the other at Dodger Stadium.

It wasn't win-or-walk for the Cubs, Brewers, Dodgers and Rockies, but it was the next-closest thing when you consider the fear every team has of the coin flip that is the one-game wild card.

For the Cubs and Brewers, the importance was more acute because the winner would hold home-field advantage for as long as it stayed alive in the NL bracket.

That led to the big pregame question of whether the managers would empty the bullpen only with a lead to avoid being forced to play Tuesday, knowing if they won Monday's game, they would have a



Kris Bryant returns to the dugout after striking out in the seventh inning of Monday's loss.

couple of days to let their arms recover.

With neither starter completing the sixth, we got an answer. The bullpen turned into a parade of high-leverage relievers in a game tied at 1. Tuesday didn't appear to matter. Maddon used four relievers in the eighth, and unfortunately one was the Justin Wilson from 2017 who made your eyes bleed and another was this week's Steve Cishek who made everyone tired and yet another was midseason acquisition Brandon Kintzler, who might as well have stayed in Washington.

Like the Brewers led 3-1 and their bullpen played to asphyxiating form. Former White Sox closer Joakim Soria fanned Javier Baez to end the sixth, then came Corey Knebel in the seventh and Josh Hader in the eighth and ninth. The Cubs still haven't touched that bullpen and might not if you had given them all night.

As they have done all season, the Cubs hitters proved mystifyingly inconsistent. After blowing up against the Cardinals on Sunday, the Cubs flat-lined Monday, managing just two hits other than Anthony Rizzo's massive solo blast. That's how you blow a great opportunity to sail into the postseason.

To think, a month ago the Cubs held a five-game lead over the Brewers and looked set to roll to their third straight division title. The Brewers caught them, and now have passed them.

Tuesday's crapshoot game awaits. Win, and the Cubs advance to the NLDS on Thursday against these same Brewers. Quick, someone tell the Cubs offense that hitting in October is not optional.

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CUBS

Brewers fans fly 'L' flag proudly

It's the flag Cubs fans don't want to see.

While the "W" flag has become ubiquitous — unfurled at games after wins, flapping from front porches — its counterpart, the "L" flag, keeps a lower profile.

Until this season.

On Sept. 4, for instance, at Miller Park in Milwaukee, a fan displayed a 25-by-25-foot blue flag with a white "L" after the Brewers beat the Cubs 11-1.

"I had it made overseas, as cheap as I could, about a month ago and wanted to come out to the first game (of the series), but we couldn't make it," Jay Ryan told the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel. "As soon as I heard the Cole Hamels (comments), I had to go to the game. If you're going to say that, I'm going to go."

(Hamels had questioned how great a rivalry Cubs-Brewers could be if so many Cubs fans were in the seats at Miller Park.)

Monday, Wrigley was rich with Brewers fans, and after the game, one hoisted a blue "L" on white flag behind the Milwaukee dugout.

The "L" and "W" flags had humble beginnings in the late 1930s as a way to inform evening "L" commuters passing by Wrigley Field about the result of that day's game.

For the record, the Cubs still fly the "L" flag after losses at Wrigley Field, as they did Monday afternoon.

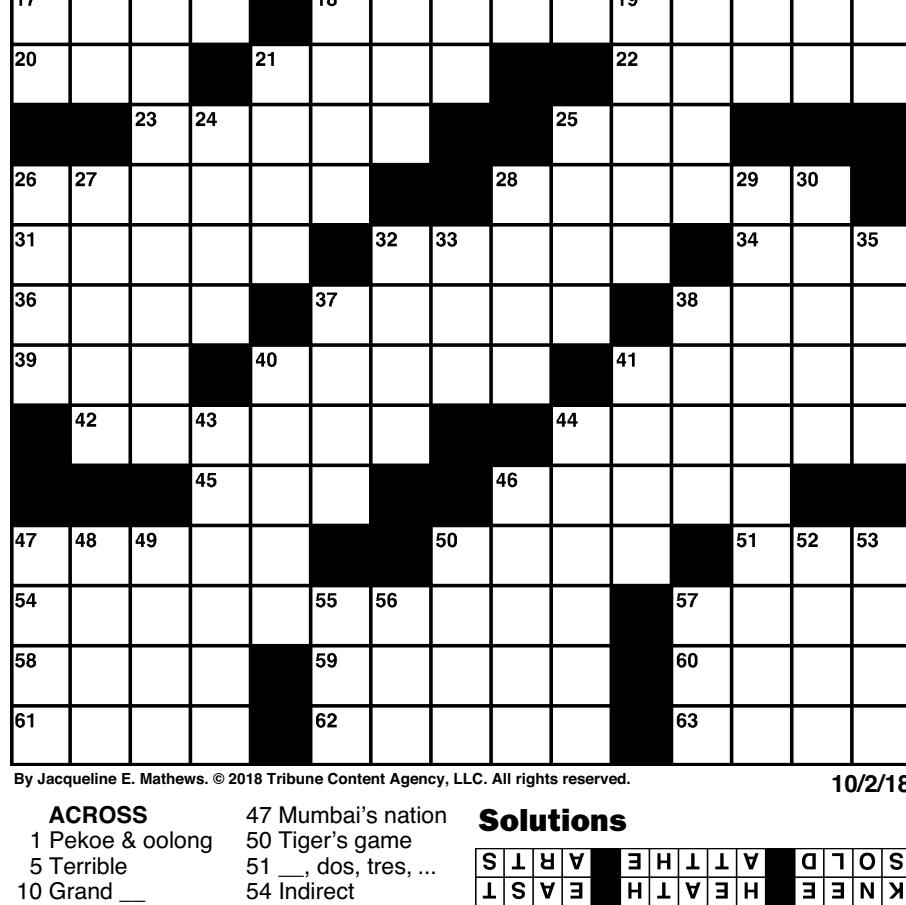
A spokesman for Cubssuckclub.com, the website started in 2004 devoted to hating the Cubs, said that most of the "L" flags it sells go to customers in Milwaukee and elsewhere in Wisconsin — but that White Sox fans are the second-biggest market.

"We elected to wait until 2017 to start selling L flags," the spokesman, who asked not to be identified, said. "We could not keep them in stock. Then, we started seeing a lot of the flags all over ballparks."

On Monday, after the Cubs-Brewers game, the website savored the Milwaukee victory, or, perhaps more accurately, celebrated the Chicago loss.

"Biggest day since 1776," the site exclaimed. "#FlyTheL #FlyTheL #FlyTheL #FlyTheL."

Crossword



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ACROSS

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5 Terrible
10 Grand
14 Pull hard on
15 On the __; free
to roam
16 Misplace
17 Hunted animal
18 Making no sense
20 Suffit for count
or heir
21 Finest
22 Exhausted
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Fannie or Ginnie
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GAME 163 BREWERS 3, CUBS 1

BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Daniel Murphy strikes out leading off the bottom of the ninth inning of the Cubs' 3-1 tiebreaker loss to the Brewers. Murphy finished 1-for-4.

Anemic bats cost Cubs

Cubs, from Page 1

Rizzo, who provided the Cubs' only run with a game-tying home run in the fifth against Brewers starter Jhoulys Chacin. "We won 98 games (in 2015), and we were happy we were in the wild-card game."

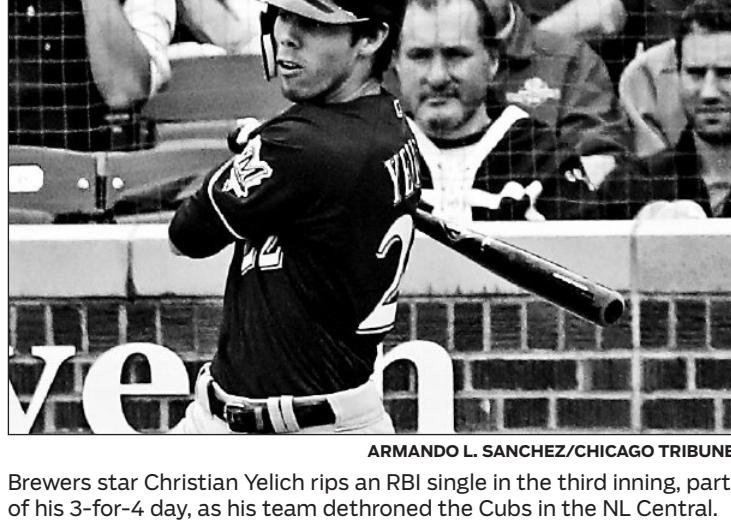
"It's just the way it's shifted around here. The expectations have gone up, and we hold ourselves to a high level. Tuesday is all about focusing on good at-bats. When you have good at-bats, good things happen."

Monday's loss cost the Cubs a third straight division title. Given the high standards and the stagnation of some younger players, a postseason flop could result in offseason changes to counter a Brewers squad that features a dominant bullpen and Christian Yelich, who virtually cemented his NL most valuable player credentials with a three-hit performance.

"It's been a spectacular season for them," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said. "Of course it's not over for us yet. I hope we get another crack at them."

One day after the Cubs went 6-for-11 with runners in scoring position in a 10-5 comeback win over the Cardinals, they failed to put the Brewers' defensively challenged fielders on their toes.

After showing patience in two wins against Chacin on Sept. 5 and 11, they seemed befuddled by his slider and sinker, just as they did on Aug. 14 when he struck out 10 in seven innings.



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Brewers star Christian Yelich rips an RBI single in the third inning, part of his 3-for-4 day, as his team dethroned the Cubs in the NL Central.

The clutch hitting that helped the Cubs vault into first place in the NL on July 13 and maintain a five-game lead on Sept. 3 has largely disappeared, and even the addition of Daniel Murphy on Aug. 21 can go only so far with the bottom of the order struggling.

"It's just the consistent hard contact has not been there, more than anything," Maddon said. "I can't give you a solid reason."

Maddon said he speaks often to hitting coach Chili Davis, assistant Andy Haines and the batters on a frequent basis. But time is running short.

"Sometimes you're not going to hit the ball on the barrel, but some of the best hitters find ways

to get hits when they're not hitting the ball on barrel," Kris Bryant said. "We weren't making any hard contact."

The lack of production caught up to the Cubs in the eighth, when left-hander Justin Wilson threw an 0-2 breaking pitch that Orlando Arcia hit to center for his career-high fourth hit before scoring the go-ahead run.

"If I make a better pitch, we could have a better conversation," Wilson said. "Our backs are against the wall, and truthfully, I think we play a little better like that."

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	AB	R	H	BI	SO	Avg
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Cain cf	4	0	1	1	0	.308
Yelich rf-if	4	0	3	1	2	.526
Braun lf	4	0	1	1	2	.250
Browton rf	0	0	0	0	0	.179
Aguilar 1b	4	0	1	0	1	.274
Hader p	0	0	0	0	0	.500
Schoop 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.233
Moustakas 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.250
Kratz c	4	0	0	0	0	.236
Arcia ss	4	2	4	0	0	.333
Chacin p	0	0	0	0	0	.161
Cedeno p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Soria p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Knebel p	0	0	0	0	0	—
b-Santana ph	1	1	1	0	0	.265
Shaw 1b	1	0	0	0	0	.241
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CUBS						
Murphy 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.299
Zobrist rf-if	3	0	0	0	0	.305
Baez ss	4	0	1	0	0	.250
Rizzo 1b	4	1	1	1	0	.283
Bryant 3b	2	0	0	0	1	.272
Schwarber lf	2	0	0	0	1	.238
Chavez p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
a-Stein ph	1	0	0	0	0	.268
Wilson p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Rosario p	0	0	0	0	0	1.000
Kintzler p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Garcia p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Heyward cf-rf	3	0	0	0	1	.270
Quintana p	1	0	0	0	1	.077
Happ p	0	0	0	0	0	.233
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a-groundout out for Chavez in the 7th; b-doubled out for Knebel in the 8th; c-lined out for Happ in the 8th; LOB: Milwaukee 6, CUBS 3. 2B: Santana (14). HR: Rizzo (25). If off: Chacin. RBIs: Cain (36); Yelich (110); Braun (64); Rizzo (101). SB: Yelich (22). CS: Braun (5). S: Chacin 2. Runners left in scoring position: Milwaukee 4 (Cain, Braun, Aguilar, Shaw); CUBS 2 (Baez, Rizzo). RISP: Milwaukee 3 for 9; CUBS 0 for 2. Runners moved up: Cain. GIDP: Braun, Arcia, Rosario. Conceded 10 runs, 9 earned. Scored 2 (Aguilar, Arcia) (Chacin, Schoop, Aguilar, Rizzo); CUBS 2 (Baez, Arcia, Rizzo); (Bryant, Murphy, Rizzo). Time: 3:06. A: 38,450 (41,649).

Edge: Rockies

NL WILD CARD
CUBS VS. ROCKIES

Who has the edge?

Breaking down who has the edge in Tuesday's wild-card game between the Cubs and the Rockies at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Wrigley Field:

Starting pitching

The teams split the season series 3-3 with each team scoring 33 runs, but the only thing that matters now is the pitching. Jon Lester won Game 5 of the 2016 World Series to keep the Cubs alive after being down 3-1, then pitched in relief in Game 7 to help clinch it. He's 9-7 in 25 postseason appearances, including 21 starts, with a 2.55 ERA. Lester also is on a hot streak, going 6-1 in his last eight starts in the regular season with a 1.71 ERA. The Rockies start left-hander Kyle Freeland, who went 17-7 with a 2.85 ERA this season, on three days rest. Left-handed hitters are batting .185 with two home runs off the 25-year-old in 157 at-bats, giving Joe Maddon some difficult lineup choices to ponder.

Edge: Cubs

Bullpen

Despite a 4.13 ERA, former Cubs closer Wade Davis has 43 saves. He is back to normal of late, posting an 0.82 ERA in September. Davis has two saves in two hitless innings against the Cubs. The failure of the Cubs bullpen contributed to the 3-1 loss to the Brewers in Monday's 3-1 tiebreaker game at Wrigley Field, and only Jesse Chavez can be considered dominant since Pedro Strop's hamstring injury. Carl Edwards Jr. is rested, but will Maddon trust him in a late-inning situation? Cole Hamels is available, and look for Maddon to go with his veteran starter late if the season is on the line.

Edge: Rockies

Offense

The Cubs somehow led the National League in hitting at .258, even though their lack of scoring has been their primary problem, particularly in September. Anthony Rizzo is hot, but Javier Baez has cooled off, and the Cubs still are waiting for Kris Bryant to be Kris Bryant. With a tough lefty starting, do Kyle Schwarber and Jason Heyward sit? The Rockies finished second in the league in runs, and Nolan Arenado and Trevor Story finished 1-2 in the NL in homers. But, like the Cubs, they're also capable of being shut down, as they were in Tuesday's 5-2 tiebreaker loss to the Dodgers.

Edge: Rockies

Fielding

Third baseman Arenado and second baseman DJ LeMahieu are among the best in baseball at their positions, while Heyward is a perennial Gold Glover. Javier Baez has been solid in his return to short, and David Bote has been eye-opening at third. Daniel Murphy's scary fielding hasn't hurt the Cubs yet. Catcher Willson Contreras has one of the best arms in baseball and likes to takes risks.

Edge: Cubs

Manager

Joe Maddon got 95 wins out of a talented team that's had difficulties scoring consistently all year and is one of the worst slugging teams since September began. That makes his handling of the starter and bullpen more important, and his history in that area as Cubs manager has been spotty in the postseason. Bud Black, Maddon's old pal from the Angels, knows as much as any manager how to handle a bullpen, having been a pitching coach himself. He got 91 wins out of a team with a run differential of +35 and no big-name starters. Maddon has more postseason experience and a better career, but Black gets the nod in a one-game matchup.

Edge: Rockies

Winner: Cubs

They're familiar with having their backs to the wall and have the perfect starter going for them in Lester. If they can scratch out a few runs early, it's on to Wisconsin.

— Paul Sullivan

CUBS NOTES

Cubs feel good sending Lester to mound

BY MARK GONZALES

Chicago Tribune

Playing in the National League wild-card game isn't what the Cubs wanted, but they're confident they'll have the right man on the pitcher's mound.

Jon Lester is one of the best playoff pitchers of his generation, with a 2.55 ERA in 25 postseason games.

The veteran left-hander comes in to Tuesday's game against the Rockies on a roll, with a 4-1 record and 1.52 ERA in five September starts.

Cubs manager Joe Maddon said fellow lefty starter Cole Hamels, himself no postseason slouch, will be available in relief—one of the various scenarios to consider before the Cubs submit their 25-man roster by 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Jose Quintana won't be on the one-game wild-card roster after he threw 64 pitches in five-plus

innings Monday. But Maddon believes he will have enough relief coverage, even after using six relievers in their 3-1 loss to the Brewers in the NL Central tie-breaker.

Maddon wasn't sure whether reliever Pedro Strop, sidelined due to a left hamstring strain he suffered Sept. 13, would be available. According to a tweet by Marly Rivera of ESPN, Strop said he would be ready. Strop has thrown off a mound only twice since he was injured trying to beat out a double play during a rare at-bat, but has kept his arm in shape.

"We should have plenty of bullpen help for Tuesday," said Maddon, who was prepared to use starter Kyle Hendricks in the ninth inning Monday had the Cubs been tied or ahead.

Maddon believed Jesse Chavez should be available after needing only 16 pitches to throw two innings Monday. Left-handers

Justin Wilson and Randy Rosario threw a combined 14 pitches Monday, and Carl Edwards Jr. didn't pitch.

Nevertheless, Maddon said he's more willing to give Lester a longer leash than other pitchers if he encounters trouble.

Lester pitched once against the Rockies this season, allowing two unearned runs in 5 2/3 innings in the Cubs' 3-2 win on April 30 at Wrigley Field.

Q factor: Quintana wanted to stay in the game after Christian Yelich's single on the starter's 64th pitch to start the sixth inning, but he respected Maddon's decision to take him out.

"It's a postseason game," Quintana said.

Maddon thought the Cubs were somewhat fortunate that the Brewers made hard contact against Quintana but scored only once against him. Ryan Braun grounded into a double play to end

the first, Jonathan Schoop lined to third in the second, and Cubs shortstop Javier Baez robbed Lorenzo Cain of an RBI single by ranging far behind second on a grounder.

Chavez, who replaced Quintana, pitched two scoreless innings to finish with a 1.15 ERA in 39 regular-season innings after the Cubs acquired him from the Rangers in a pre-deadline trade on July 19.

Extra innings: Considering the wild-card game is a win-or-go-home scenario, speedy outfielder Terrance Gore could get a roster spot exclusively for late-inning pinch-running purposes. ... Anthony Rizzo's home run marked his fifth consecutive season with 25 or more. He is the ninth player in franchise history to accomplish that feat. ... Brewers starter Jhoulys Chacin posted a 1.59 ERA in five starts against the Cubs this season.

GAME 163 BREWERS 3, CUBS 1

BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Lorenzo Cain, who went 1-for-4 with an RBI single, and the Brewers celebrate their tiebreaker victory over the Cubs on Monday at Wrigley Field.

Winning with class

Brewers proud — but respectful of dethroned champs

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Some well-oiled fans exiting the stands by first base hollered "LET'S GO BREWERS!" loud enough to be heard at the Brat House in downtown Milwaukee.

The actual Brewers were more subdued. They were thrilled with what they'd accomplished — a 3-1 win at Wrigley Field on Monday, marking their eighth straight victory.

But they were respectful of the team on the other side, the team they'll face again Thursday in the NL Division Series if the Cubs win the wild-card game.

"They've been the class of the National League for three years," manager Craig Counsell said. "To knock them off is a good feeling. There's a possibility you've got to knock 'em off again."

Center fielder Lorenzo Cain

said he would not be surprised if the Cubs advance. "That team is really good, really consistent. Top to bottom, they can flat-out play."

He added: "I swear every time we play the Cubs, it feels like a playoff game. No matter the first game of the season or today."

With teammates popping bottles of Korbel champagne around him, a reporter asked Ryan Braun if the cramped visitors clubhouse at Wrigley Field was a good place to party.

"It's definitely special for us to enjoy it here," he replied. "There's a reason they won the World Series; they are so talented, such a good team. Ultimately we had to take it from them, and we did."

They took it after a two-run eighth inning. Cain shredded a 3-2 sinker from Steve Cishek, a line shot to center that scored shortstop Orlando Arcia.

Arcia entered the game batting .227, but Counsell views him as a gamer.

"It doesn't surprise me that on a big stage like this, that's what we get from him," he said. "He has had a rough season at times. If I

can get him in a big game, I will take that option."

Cain has been spectacular from the jump and ended the season with a .395 on-base percentage, fourth in the NL. After singling off Cishek, he removed his helmet and hollered at his teammates, a cauldron of emotions that signified one glorious baseball word: October.

"We're at that time of year, you know?" Counsell told the Tribune during a quiet moment in his office. "We're at that time of year where that stuff's going to happen."

Said Cain: "I don't know what I did. I probably said something crazy, I was so fired up. I was screaming at the top of my lungs. I was ticked off from earlier in the game where I had situations to drive in runs and didn't get it done."

Christian Yelich drove in the first run, lining a single to left in the third. The favorite for NL MVP finished the season with an immaculate OPS (on-base plus slugging) of 1.000, 68 points higher than anyone in the league.

He entered the game 1-for-11 against Jose Quintana but went 3-for-3 against him, including a chopper off the plate in the first.

"He knows how to pitch, moves the ball around," Yelich said. "Sinks it, cuts it. We knew that if we wanted to be successful, we'd have to have a team mindset and pass the baton on to the next guy."

Braun thought the biggest moment in the game came when former White Sox right-hander Joakim Soria fanned Baez with two runners on in the sixth.

"Javy has come through in so many moments for them," Braun said.

Braun appreciated everything about the win — especially what it meant for his 34-year-old legs.

"We've earned these two days off, that's for sure," he said. "Makes a big difference, especially for us older guys, to get refreshed and get the legs back right. It's a really special accomplishment."

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Wilson's '1 pitch to Arcia' keys defeat

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

Before Justin Wilson relieved Jesse Chavez in the eighth inning Monday, the previous two innings unfolded about as well as Cubs manager Joe Maddon could have hoped.

With the tiebreaker for the NL Central championship tied at 1, Chavez struck out Brewers left fielder Ryan Braun on a foul tip in the sixth and retired the next four batters.

"Once we got Jesse in there, he really settled it down for us," Maddon said. "And I did like — a lot — Wilson on (No. 8 hitter Orlando) Arcia."

But the matchup the Cubs wanted was the one that did them in, sending them on their way to a 3-1 loss and relegating them to Tuesday's wild-card game against the Rockies.

Wilson got ahead of Arcia 2-0 on two fastballs, but the Brewers shortstop laced his next pitch, a slider, to center field.

"I hung a breaking ball," Wilson said. "Clearly a good hitter, had a good day (4-for-4, two runs). Plain and simple, needed to make a better pitch. (At) 0-2, you can't hang a breaking ball there."

Pinch hitter Domingo Santana's double moved Arcia to third, and Wilson got pulled for Steve Cishek, who gave up the go-ahead single to Lorenzo Cain.

"Really it centered around one pitch to Arcia," Maddon said. "That really made it more difficult. When that happens, then you have to alter your (bullpen) plan. Because originally my thought was to have Cishek ready for Braun and have Wilson go through (Christian) Yelich, but that altered everything right there."

Did Wilson (4-5) have second thoughts about going away from his fastball when it was working.

"During the situation, no. Now, maybe," he said. "But if I execute the breaking ball down, (I) might not be talking right now."

Maddon said he likely would have sent out Chavez for a third inning had his place in the batting order not come around in the seventh. Maddon opted to pinch-hit with Tommy La Stella.

"If Tommy hits a double and Heyward hits a single, you've got a run," Maddon said. "You've got to take that shot."

Also, Maddon wanted Wilson to face the right-handed Arcia, who had his first career four-hit game.

"We talk about all the time: You set up your pen before the game begins," Maddon said. "And that was the slot I wanted the lefty in there, meaning Wilson. The 8-9-12 (batters) — that's his slot. And it just didn't play out."

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Justin Wilson departs after giving up a single and a double in the Brewers' two-run eighth.

NL WEST TIEBREAKER DODGERS 5, ROCKIES 2

Dodgers' West title sends Rockies to Wrigley

BY BETH HARRIS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — What a day for Walker Buehler. The rookie with the preternatural calm pitched the Los Angeles Dodgers to a record sixth consecutive National League West title.

Buehler tossed one-hit ball into the seventh inning, and Cody Bellinger and Max Muncy launched two-run homers to beat the Colorado Rockies 5-2 in a tiebreaker on Monday.

"It's a normal baseball game. It's hyped up, there's an adrenaline, but you've got to execute," Buehler said. "That's all you can do."

The defending NL champion

division crowns since the Yankees captured nine AL East titles in a row from 1998 to 2006.

"It doesn't get old," confirmed ace Clayton Kershaw.

The Dodgers now host the Atlanta Braves in the best-of-five NL Division Series beginning Thursday.

"We're going to beat Atlanta," a shirtless Yasiel Puig proclaimed, rivulets of beer and champagne down his front and back. "No matter who's coming, we're going to the World Series and bring the 2018 championship here."

Denied their first division title in franchise history, the Rockies head to Wrigley Field to play the Cubs in the NL wild-card game on Tuesday night.

"Our guys will put it in the

rearview for sure," Rockies manager Bud Black said of the loss. "The resiliency of this group has been awesome all year."

The Rockies and Cubs split six games this year, each scoring 33 runs. They haven't faced each other since early May.

NL home run champion Nolan Arenado and the Rockies had won nine of 10 before getting shut down by Buehler on Monday. The Rockies have never won their division.

"Excited about it," Black said. "It's going to be a great environment tomorrow at Wrigley. Their manager and I go way back. This team enjoys playing on the big stage."

Charlie Blackmon, who had two of the Rockies' four hits

Monday, called it "an amazing opportunity."

"The fact of the matter is we have a chance to win the World Series," he added.

Pitching in 90-degree heat, Buehler was oh-so-cool in closing out a regular season that ended with Game 163 after both teams had identical records of 91-71.

The soft-spoken 24-year-old from Lexington, Ky., has been so steady of late that manager Dave Roberts had no qualms about giving Buehler the ball for the crucial game that helped decide the Dodgers' postseason fate.

"He's ready for this moment," Roberts said, "and he responded."

Buehler settled in quickly, retiring his first six batters in a row, and never did allow a run.

"Walker is a tremendous talent," Kershaw said. "His competitiveness is off-the-charts, his ability is off-the-charts."

Buehler (8-5) had his no-hit bid broken up in the sixth on Blackmon's single, one of his two hits for the Rockies.

"He didn't fold at all under pressure," Muncy said. "He went there and attacked them just like we knew he was going to."

Despite posting the best road record in franchise history (44-38), the Rockies couldn't get untracked. They didn't advance a runner past second base until the ninth when Nolan Arenado and Trevor Story homered back-to-back off closer Kenley Jansen.

Jansen then retired the next three batters in a row.

CUBS

Silent bats cost Cubs division title

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ferred the other way."

Except the Brewers never budged. Milwaukee's best was too good for the Cubs. The better team earned the division title.

Regardless of any lazy, local narrative that suggests otherwise, the Brewers won the division more than the Cubs lost it, going 19-7 in September and staying hot on the first day of October. The Cubs did what they could by winning four of their final five series of the regular season, going 16-12 over the final month, but it wasn't enough to keep the Brewers from overcoming a five-game deficit at Labor Day.

"Give them credit," said Maddon, who will receive his share of blame for the Cubs finishing second. "That's a good team."

Out of habit, go ahead and nitpick the way Maddon manipulated his pitching staff in another big game because he lost the benefit of the doubt on bullpen matters a long time ago. Complain about the overall quality of the six Cubs relievers Maddon used in comparison to their Brewers counterparts and everybody in baseball will nod in agreement. But reserve most of your rancor, Cubs fans, for the hitters who stopped hitting, a chronic problem that should curb any enthusiasm about the playoffs.

The Cubs managed three measly hits against the Brewers, one a 429-foot home run to Anthony Rizzo. If the Cubs bats remain in storage Tuesday night in the wild-card game suddenly thrust on Wrigleyville, then the offseason will start Wednesday.

"We didn't have great at-bats," Maddon conceded. "We weren't stinging the ball. The consistent hard contact just hasn't been there. We've got to find it, quickly. I don't have any real solid answers."

Meanwhile, the questions mount for the Cubs. What has happened to the Cubs' plate approach under hitting coach Chili Davis? How can a team look so aggressive offensively one day and so anemic the next? Will all that change in the playoffs, where the pitching only gets tougher?

In the playoffs, the Cubs could see the same Brewers bullpen that shut them down as early as Thursday. By then, lethal lefty reliever Josh Hader should be rested along with every other Brewers reliever.

Hader happened to the Cubs, striking out three in the final two innings with wicked stuff. Drama built as Rizzo, the last left-handed hitter to homer off Hader, batted in the ninth with a runner aboard, but he flied out to right to set off the celebration of visitors making themselves at home.

"You let it set in a couple minutes and it's sucks," Rizzo said. "It was hard-fought, but we just fell short."

Starter Jose Quintana did his job well enough — he gave up six hits and one run in five innings — to go longer. Bowing to the metrics that show how much Quintana struggles a third time through the order, Maddon pulled the lefty after he gave up a leadoff single in the sixth to Christian Yelich on his 64th pitch.

Earlier, in the third inning, Maddon welcomed every second-guesser into October by deciding to pitch to Yelich, the National League's most dangerous hitter, with two outs and a runner on third. Yelich arrived with a sizzling .385/.652/.1462 slash line in the previous seven days — hot enough to ignore the slugger's 1-for-11 career mark against Quintana.

"It's Khalil Mack on defense — where is he?" Maddon asked in a nod to the Bears outside linebacker.

Yet Maddon still allowed Quintana to face Yelich with first base open and Brewers slugger Ryan Braun up next. Braun had struggled against Quintana this season, hitting just .188 but with two home runs in 16 at-bats. On cue, Yelich singled to center, driving in Orlando Arcia with the game's first run.

Reliable right-hander Jesse Chavez replaced Quintana to get three outs on 10 pitches, but it was fair to wonder whether Maddon began taxing his bullpen an inning earlier than necessary with the playoffs looming.

"We actually have a lot of guys who can go (Tuesday)," Maddon insisted.

Brewers manager Craig Counsell reiterated the dependence on relief pitching in the postseason by pulling starter Jhoulys Chacin in the sixth after 75 efficient pitches. Chacin gave up only Rizzo's home run. Nobody else touched the right-hander with the nasty stuff.

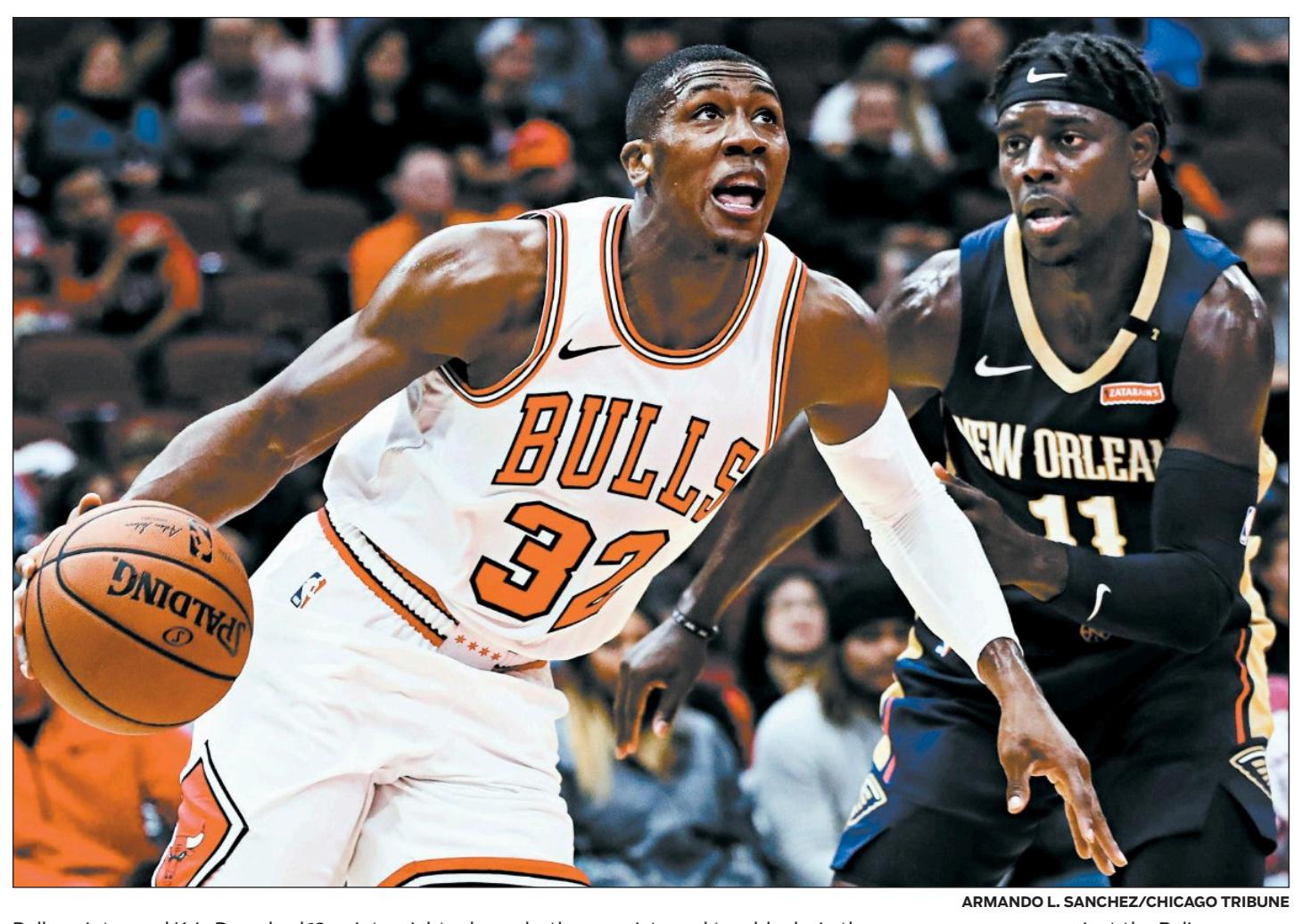
Come to think of it, nobody else in the Cubs lineup really threatened anyone at all. Javier Baez raised hopes in the sixth facing former White Sox reliever Joakim Soria. With two on and two out and the score tied at 1, Baez went down swinging on a high 94-mph fastball that he couldn't resist.

Starting pitchers will carry the Cubs only so far in the playoffs. At some point, the hitters must reconnect to restore confidence in this team.

"We're not dead in the water," Maddon promised.

Some signs of life by Cubs hitters would make that more believable.

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BULLS AND BLACKHAWKS

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Bulls point guard Kris Dunn had 12 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two blocks in the preseason opener against the Pelicans.

BULLS

Dunn has 1 speed

But point guard must put premium on staying healthy this season

BY K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

The loose ball bounced over the heads of broadcasters Neil Funk and Stacey King and headed for the stands. Kris Dunn trailed in full pursuit.

Last season, Dunn suffered a gruesome open dislocation of his left index finger during a preseason game. In January, he took a chunk from the United Center floor when he landed on his front teeth after getting hung up on the rim on a dunk and missed 11 games with a concussion.

Even if those plays flashed through Dunn's mind Sunday, he didn't stop. He jumped on top of the scorer's table to barely miss saving the ball — and rattle the cages of Funk and King.

"In my mind I said: 'What the (expletive)? It's a preseason game. Calm down.' But I've only got one speed, and that's to play hard," Dunn said Monday at the Advocate Center. "I'm working on it. I hope there are no more fluke injuries. I want to make sure that I stay healthy."

The Bulls want to make sure of that too.

Sure, there's internal belief in the reserve abilities of Cameron Payne, who posted seven assists in 20 minutes in Sunday's preseason-opening victory over the Pelicans.

cans. But Dunn, who began to establish himself throughout his injury-plagued second season, could be viewed as one of the most indispensable starters this season.

There are plenty of reasons for this, many of them in plain view as Dunn stuffed the box score with 12 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two blocks against the Pelicans.

He's the team's best individual defender. He controls the fast pace that coach Fred Hoiberg preaches constantly. And he must balance the tricky dynamic of feeding multiple scorers that will become even trickier when Lauri Markkanen returns from his elbow injury.

"When we had our best streak in the middle of the year last year, Kris was the catalyst," Hoiberg said. "And he was a huge part of that success because of his defense.

He was impacting the ball. And then his push and pace and his ability to make big shots on the other end.

"He's a very confident player right now. He's doing a better job of communicating this year as far as pulling the guys together. It's kind of the next step in his career, to move into a leadership-type role."

Part of being a leader is trying to get the most out of teammates. Dunn traveled to Los Angeles once during the offseason to work out with Zach LaVine, whom Dunn is challenging to improve defensively.

"He has the athletic ability and the speed to be a good defender," Dunn said. "I tell him all the time, 'You know you can easily

do it? It's just a focus thing, a pride thing. (Sunday) night, he got a steal, and that's something he can do very often because he is athletic and has the speed."

Dunn said he and LaVine joke about Dunn teaching LaVine defensive tricks and LaVine teaching Dunn offensive tricks. Dunn averaged 13.4 points in 52 games last season and possesses the ability to get to the rim. Executive vice president John Paxson has said he wants to see Dunn improve on finishing once he gets there.

So how does Dunn balance keeping scorers such as LaVine, Jabari Parker and eventually Markkanen happy while maintaining an aggressive mindset?

"I'm a pass-first point guard," Dunn said. "I like getting assists. I like getting guys open. And I like when my guys stay good. It's going to make the game easier for me."

Dunn is confident that a healthy LaVine will have a big year, saying he wants them to be the best backcourt they can be. LaVine's 21 points looked almost effortless in Sunday's preseason opener.

"I've seen that in Minnesota," Dunn said. "And he did that with two other great scorers around in Wiggins (Andrew Wiggins) and Karl (Anthony Towns). People seem shocked he can score so well. I'm not. I think it's going to come easy for him."

Playing alongside a healthy Dunn will make matters easier.

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BLACKHAWKS

Crawford takes part in full practice

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

Corey Crawford's recovery from a concussion he suffered last season entered a new phase Monday when he participated in the Blackhawks' regular team practice for the first time during training camp.

"That was good," the goalie said afterward. "I was able to get a few shots, and I felt pretty good for the first time. We'll just go from there but it was a good start."

The day was not without confusion. While coach Joel Quenneville said Crawford was a "full go, he got cleared to play and now we've just got to get him game ready," Crawford said he's still experiencing concussion-related symptoms.

"I'm still not 100 percent clear but it's almost there," Crawford said. "We're pretty close."

Asked what symptoms he was still experiencing, Crawford quickly responded, "We're not going to talk about that."

The first indication that Crawford would return to practice came when, an hour before it was scheduled to begin, defenseman Gustav Forsling took the ice alone. Forsling, who is recuperating from wrist surgery, has been skating with Crawford in recent days.

Crawford, who last played in a game on Dec. 23, has been taking the ice nearly every day with goalie coach Jimmy Waite for approximately 30-minute sessions. The workouts have progressed from light drills and on-ice shots when camp started on Sept. 14 to harder shots and more intense workouts.

On Monday, Crawford took part in the same drills as goalies Cam Ward and Anton Forsberg and stayed throughout the hour-long practice. Quenneville said there were no instructions to take it easy on Crawford, but Jonathan Toews said the players exercised self-imposed caution to



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Corey Crawford, recovering from a concussion, participated in a full practice Monday for the first time in camp.

keep pucks away from Crawford's head.

"As long as you know it's him in the net, you're (shooting) down there," Toews said.

Did Crawford think his teammates were taking it easy on him?

"I don't know," he said. "I hope not."

After seeing shots only from Waite and teammates during camp, Crawford will have to become acclimated to the high speed of games when he is ready to play.

"It was going pretty good when guys were shooting it, picking (pucks) up pretty good," Crawford said. "That's the hardest thing, I think, is tracking pucks when you first get back in there. It was fine today."

Quenneville said that while Crawford will accompany the team on its season-opening road trip to Ottawa and St. Louis, don't expect him to get a surprise start.

"We need him getting on the ice," Quenneville said. "He hasn't seen pucks for a long time, so that'll kind of dictate us. He'll tell us by how he's practicing on a consistent basis when he's ready. We hope that it's soon."

Even though Monday marked Crawford's first full practice, he's been around the locker room throughout camp. Being with his teammates is a big part of his return to normalcy.

"Part of his getting better is just being around the boys again," Toews said. "I think he's eager and he's determined to get back in. It's great to see him back."

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BULLS NOTES

Rest assured, Portis won't pass up shots

BY K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

Bulls coach Fred Hoiberg playfully acted baffled by the question: With Lauri Markkanen out six to eight weeks, does Hoiberg need to tell Bobby Portis to be more aggressive?

"Uh, Bobby's always aggressive," Hoiberg said. "I don't have to tell him to be more assertive on the offensive end."

Preseason game or not, launching 19 shots in 19 minutes, 28 seconds of playing time, as Portis did Sunday night, is an accomplishment to behold. One got the impression that even if Portis hadn't made 10 of them, he would've kept shooting.

Portis' 21 points tied Zach LaVine and Antonio Blakeney for team-high honors.

"When one player goes down, somebody has to step up," Portis said. "Luckily with our team, we have a lot of depth and versatility."

Portis has stated a goal of winning the Sixth Man of the Year award this season.

"He's our energizer," Hoiberg said. "When things are going tough out there, you can always put Bobby in the game and he's going to immediately inject life and energy into the team. That's who he is."

Full speed ahead: Hoiberg constantly talks about playing with pace. Now there's a number to assign to his philosophy.

Portis revealed late Sunday that Hoiberg has challenged the Bulls to average 100 possessions per game. The Bulls ranked 10th last season, averaging 100.3 possessions.

"We want to play fast," Hoiberg said. "We've done a good job thus far in camp of trying to get the ball up the court quickly after a make and not hang heads and move on to the next possession. When we get that thing off the glass, we also want to make sure we're running and spacing the floor and trying to get something accomplished before the defense gets set."

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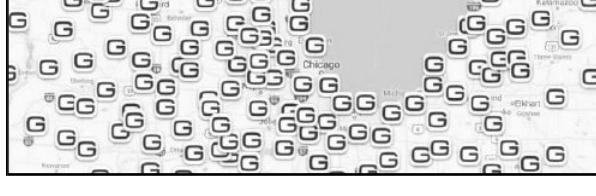
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BEARS

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Mitch Trubisky threw six touchdown passes in Sunday's win against the Buccaneers, one fewer than he had all last season.

BEARS REWIND

3-point fix works

Trubisky corrects eyes, feet, pocket awareness — and results are amazing

BY BRAD BIGGS | Chicago Tribune

In the 16th start of his career, Mitch Trubisky solved each problem that caused him to be so closely scrutinized during the season's first month.

The Bears quarterback stopped dropping his eyes toward the pass rush, keeping his sight on the progression of his receivers' routes. He looked much more comfortable operating from the pocket and wasn't too quick to escape. He stepped into his throws. Those factors added up to a much more comfortable passer, a career-high 354 yards and six touchdown throws — one fewer than he had all last season.

The Bears finally got the vertical passing game going and did so with players from three positions. Wide receiver Taylor Gabriel, tight end Trey Burton and running back Tarik Cohen took advantage of mismatches and the occasional complete breakdown by the Buccaneers in a 48-10 victory Sunday at Soldier Field.

After that performance, there aren't any screenshots floating around social media of wide open targets Trubisky missed. He was sound with the ball, the his only judgment error was a forced throw to Jordan Howard when the running back was surrounded by defenders. The Bears finally hit on some of the big plays set up by all those wide receiver bubble screens and jet sweeps, and they did so with great success, with six completions of 30 or more yards.

Trubisky's accuracy was as good as advertised on plays like the perfectly placed shot to Allen Robinson for a 14-yard touchdown on a corner route. Trubisky threw Robinson open ahead of Bucs

cornerback M.J. Stewart. The QB's timing and touch on a deep sideline ball to Gabriel was perfect as well, as Stewart had good coverage. Trubisky dropped a dime to Cohen, who had a step on linebacker Adarius Taylor, on a wheel route down the sideline.

The outing gave Trubisky confidence, his teammates confidence in him and his coaches validation for what they've been drilling with him.

D-line depth: The ejection of defensive end Akiem Hicks in the second quarter created more opportunities for three defensive linemen. Roy Robertson-Harris (32 snaps), Jonathan Bullard (33) and Bilal Nichols (33) all received season-highs for playing time, and they all made the most of it. Robertson-Harris had a half-sack, another hit on Ryan Fitzpatrick and three QB hurries. Bullard made a tackle for loss, and Nichols showed up on consecutive snaps, splitting the sack with Robertson-Harris and using a quick first step to defeat left guard Ali Marpet and drop running back Ronald Jones for a 4-yard loss.

Those efforts bode well if Hicks is suspended by the NFL for contact with a game official, but more importantly they show the depth the team has at the position. It could give defensive coordinator Vic Fangio the opportunity to rotate the young players in more regularly, keeping Hicks and nose tackle Eddie Goldman fresh.

Turning the corner: Like the Cardinals the week before, the Bucs went after undrafted rookie cornerback Kevin Toliver, and he responded well. He was targeted 10 times, and while DeSean Jackson caught a 42-yard pass between the cornerback and safety Adrian Amos along the sideline, Toliver otherwise was solid.

Toliver needs to turn his hips and get up to speed more quickly against a speed

merchant like Jackson. He drew an offensive pass interference call against tight end Cameron Brate, and it's hard to fault him for the interference call at the end of the third quarter when quarterback Jameis Winston held the ball for 12.1 seconds before targeting Chris Godwin. Toliver plastered his man and got a little tangled up at the end. He finished with a team-high seven tackles, and if he remains steady, the Bears won't risk rushing starter Prince Amukamara back from a hamstring injury.

Extra points: It will be interesting to see how future opponents try to match up against Cohen. The Bucs fell into too many situations where he was running in man coverage against a linebacker. With the offensive line doing a superb job of protecting Trubisky — coach Matt Nagy referred to it as "green grass" the quarterback had around him — it's impossible for linebackers to stick with Cohen when a pass rush doesn't get home. ... Khalil Mack tied an NFL record with a forced fumble for the fourth consecutive game. What doesn't show up in the box score is the pressure and hit on Winston that produced Danny Trevathan's interception. Mack continues to show a knack of going for the quarterback's arm or the ball and not the knockout shot, and that's one reason the Bears have yet to be called for a roughing-the-passer penalty. ... Wide receiver Kevin White got a pancake block on safety Justin Evans on a 31-yard pass to Cohen, and rookie guard James Daniels got a nice block on linebacker Lavonte David earlier in the play to set it up. ... Burton's blocking shouldn't be overlooked either. He's not going to be effective as an in-line blocker, but he has a sense for timing on the edges and made multiple nice blocks at the point of attack.

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After 3-1 start, Bears must fight complacency

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Monday night's Chiefs-Broncos game.

Trubisky can relax for a week knowing he drove one of the Bears' victories by throwing for 354 yards and six touchdowns Sunday — before he starts worrying about how to put up points on a consistent basis.

"For Mitch, for these players around him, when your defense is playing as well as they're playing it can create a little bit of pressure on yourselves — all of us involved — in trying to be better," Nagy said. "You want to help your team. We knew that we were close, but we knew that we weren't doing enough of our job to help the team. So one way to fix that in my opinion is to just play loose. ... Don't worry about playing tight. Don't worry about making mistakes. Worry about good things happening. And I think we all did that, myself included."

Nagy and the coaches will use the week off to self-scout their play-calling and tendencies over the first four games. They'll also fine-tune organizational details such as time management and communication, a necessity for a staff working together for the first time.

But Nagy chose to give his players most of the week off rather than hold a few practices, something he said he took from working under Chiefs coach Andy Reid. The strategy apparently works because Reid owns a 16-3 record coming off an open date. Nagy said he learned it's OK to allow that rest, especially because the Bears had a longer preseason, thanks to the Hall of Fame Game.

"You want to give your coaches and your players a breather and you have enough trust in them to understand that they're professionals," Nagy said. "They need to take care of themselves. It's important in so many areas. I feel like sometimes you can overdo it and you can just try to squeeze every little ounce of time that you're permitted with these guys. In my opinion, it's just better to let them have their time, regroup, understand that this is a long stretch here."

After the week off, the Bears will face a long haul to the end of the season.

They will start with the 3-1 Dolphins in South Florida in Week 6 and then return to Soldier Field to face the Patriots, who beat the Dolphins 38-7 on Sunday. They have five NFC North games to play starting Nov. 11, and the Rams, currently 4-0, loom large as a mid-December test.

Nagy will need to make sure his players keep perspective when they return — and not let their current confidence skew their view of what's needed to beat a team with a better secondary than the Bucs displayed Sunday.

"Do not think that you're a playoff team," Nagy said. "Do not think that you're a team that can just go out in the field and win because you're 3-1 and you're the Chicago Bears. We need to understand that every game we need to bring our best. That was a rare game (Sunday) to win by 38 points. There's too much parity in this league."

Nagy's words — "you're the Chicago Bears" — noted a sense of pride. For at least two more weeks, to be the Bears is a pretty good thing.

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BEARS NOTES

'Willy Wonka' as good as chocolate for Bears

BY DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

The gadget play the Bears deployed for their fifth first-half touchdown Sunday was devised and named in practice only two days earlier. Two quarterbacks in the backfield. Several motions. Ultimately a shotgun snap to Mitch Trubisky and a nifty touch pass to Taylor Gabriel.

With Trubisky then faking a handoff to fellow quarterback Chase Daniel, Gabriel jetted to his right and cut back inside an Allen Robinson block for a 3-yard score.

Coach Matt Nagy divulged that creative play's name after Sunday's game — "Willy Wonka."

But on Monday in Lake Forest, Nagy and his assistants were hesitant to share much more on how the "Willy Wonka" name came to be.

"I can't remember who exactly it was," Nagy said. "But it was one of the quarterbacks. We were just throwing out different names and different suggestions. And I said, 'We're going with that one.'"

Uh, coach. There are only three quarterbacks on your roster.

Dave Ragone, care to help?

"I'm not sure I'm allowed to divulge that," the Bears quarterback coach said. "That's a quarterback room thing. It means something to those guys in there. Let's just say Chase had a part in that name."

OK. Fine. So the investigation into "Willy Wonka" will have to continue. But there's

no question that play added an element of fun into Sunday's 48-10 pasting of the Buccaneers. Equally significant, it provided a glimpse into part of Nagy's leadership style — his desire to be imaginative and to frequently involve his players in the creative process.

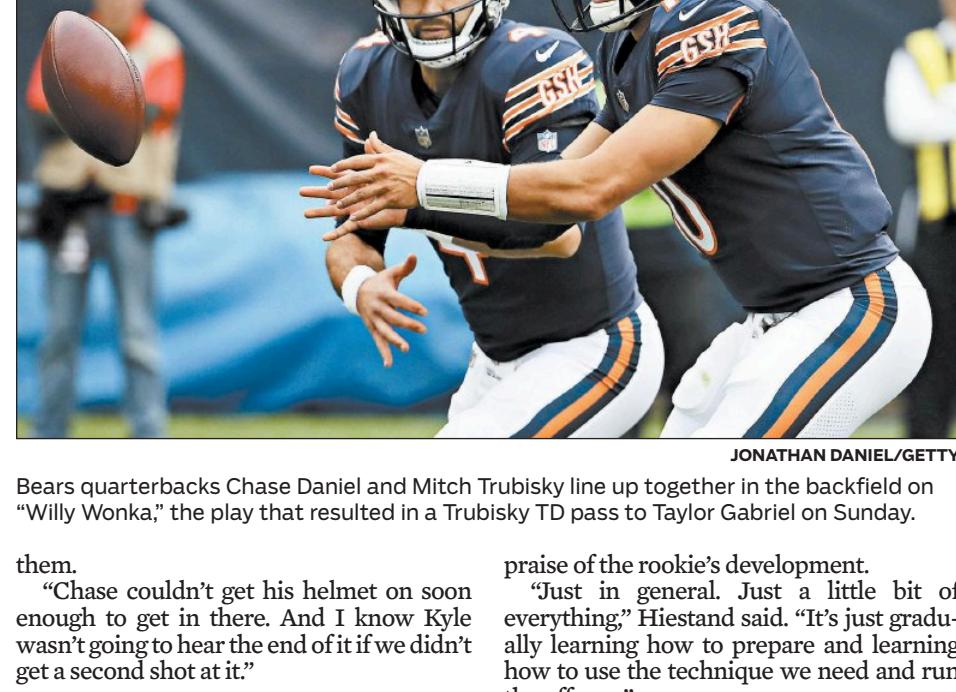
"It just spices it up a little bit," Nagy said. "It adds a little fun to the process."

Sure, if "Willy Wonka" had failed — and an attempt to run the same play two drives earlier was foiled by a Kyle Long false-start penalty — Nagy might have been skewed for trying to be too original and too cute the near goal line.

But the Bears coaches also argue that the sharp execution of the play on Gabriel's touchdown was partly attributable to the players' investment in it — from nuances within the play design to the play call.

"When you feel like you're part of something like that, you take an extreme amount of ownership," Ragone said. "If they think they have a little bit of a hand in what's going on, they want to make sure they're (locked in) to every detail."

Added Nagy: "You can sit there and say, 'Squeeze left, Y left, zebra right, counter motion, such-and-such, such-and-such.' And then you look up at the (play) clock and there's only 14 seconds on it. But you go 'Willy Wonka' and boom, they know it. They remember it. It's crazy how they think. But it works and when you give them ownership on that kind of stuff, it's fun for



Bears quarterbacks Chase Daniel and Mitch Trubisky line up together in the backfield on "Willy Wonka," the play that resulted in a Trubisky TD pass to Taylor Gabriel on Sunday.

them.

"Chase couldn't get his helmet on soon enough to get in there. And I know Kyle wasn't going to hear the end of it if we didn't get a second shot at it."

Getting started: The Bears used a rotation at left guard during Sunday's game with Eric Kush playing 37 snaps and rookie James Daniels mixing in for 24. (Daniels also played three snaps at right guard in late relief of Long.)

It was Daniels' first regular-season action and likely an opening for the second-round pick to become the long-term starter before long. Nagy offered a positive review of Daniels' play and offensive line coach Harry

Hiestand chimed in Monday with his own

praise of the rookie's development.

"Just in general. Just a little bit of everything," Hiestand said. "It's just gradually learning how to prepare and learning how to use the technique we need and run the offense."

Acho out for season: Outside linebacker Sam Acho was lost for the season with a torn left pectoral muscle. Acho will be placed on injured reserve and the Bears will need to tap further into their depth at outside linebacker. Isaiah Irving and Kylie Fitts are in line to compete for additional opportunities on defense and special teams.

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2 p.m. Manchester United vs. Valencia TNT, WGBO-66

Premier League Soccer

5 a.m. Chelsea vs. Liverpool NBCSN

TENNIS

RAKUTEN JAPAN OPEN

R1 at Musashino Forest Sport Plaza, Tokyo; hard-outdoor

#1. Nishikori, 6-4, 6-1

D. Medvedev, 6-4, 6-4

#4 D. Schwartzman, 6-4, 6-4

#6 M. Milos Raonic, 6-3, 6-4

A. Mannarino, 6-3, 6-4

D. Denis Shapovalov d.

#7 C. Hyeon, 6-3, 6-6, 6-2

Bernard Tomic, 6-3, 6-2

N. Jarry, 6-4, 7-0 (1)

Yosuke Watanuki d.

R. Haase, 6-7, 6-4, 6-1

Martin Klizan d.

S. Johnson, 6-4, 7-6 (4)

F. Tiafoe d.

M. Polozec Marterer, 7-5, 6-4

Stan Wawrinka v.

T. Fritz, late

Jeremy Chardy v.

D. Djumhur, late

CHINA OPEN

R1 at The National Tennis Center, Beijing; hard-outdoor

Men's Singles

#5 J. Tseng, 6-3, 6-1, 6-2

P. Gojowczyk, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2

Feliciano Lopez d.

#7 B. Coric, 7-5, 7-7, 7-5

Karen Khachanov d.

S. Querry, 6-4, 6-4

Marton Fucsovics d.

A. Seppi, 6-3, 6-4

Dusan Lajovic d.

V. Pospisil, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4

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CUBS 8, MARLINS 4

How's this for a start? Ian Happ (above) hit the first pitch of the 2018 season over the right field wall for a home run. Anthony Rizzo, playing with a heavy heart two days after visiting students at his Stoneman-Douglas High School alma mater after the shooting tragedy there, also hit a home run two innings later. Kyle Schwarber (left) added some insurance with a solo shot in the 7th inning and the bullpen set the tone for the season with 5 2/3 innings of one-hit relief.



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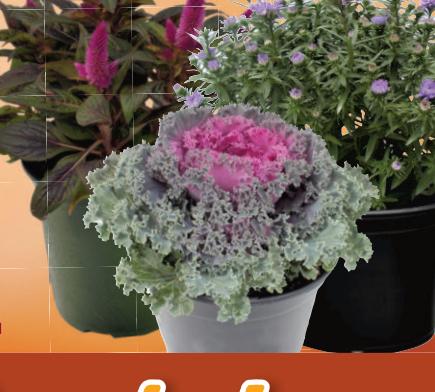
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For Ironman couple, role as parents a juggling act

BY DAVE SKRETTA

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Two of the world's most accomplished endurance athletes, three-time Ironman world champion Mirinda Carfrae and her husband, Tim O'Donnell, are relaxing on a plush white couch in an otherwise quiet house on a tree-lined street near the University of Kansas campus.

Against one wall are their time-trial bikes, awaiting their next session. A plastic bin full of Hoka One One running shoes sits nearby. Water bottles and energy drinks are scattered about the kitchen.

In the next room? A mountain of baby toys piled in the corner.

This is hardly the typical training-camp setup for elite athletes, but little about Carfrae and O'Donnell is typical. The fact that they're married is novel enough, but that they're juggling preparation for the Ironman World Championship in Kona, Hawaii, with changing diapers, feeding and entertaining their 1-year-old daughter, Isabelle, makes them quite possibly one-of-a-kind.

"Being two professionals in a very time-demanding sport like triathlon, we're kind of used to being loose and going with the flow and not being too stressed about the little stuff, like who is making dinner and stuff like that," O'Donnell says. "A lot of our competitors have a spouse that's dedicated to making sure they can perform — do dishes, the laundry, make a hot meal. We were used to having to juggle that."

"Then when Izzy came along," O'Donnell says with a smile, "it just made it more of a circus."

This is a well-tuned circus, though. It has to be.

The Ironman, held Oct. 13 this year, consists of a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike and a 26.2-mile run — a full marathon — and that alone takes precise nutrition, training and recovery plans. When you add a rambunctious little girl to the mix, keeping all the balls in the air at once becomes that much more difficult.

"I mean, it's just nonstop," Carfrae says. "There's no break. The days just fly by and it's amazing — people say as you get older, the days fly by. I think as you have children the days fly by. There's not a moment we're not training or entertaining Isabelle, or feeding her or doing what she needs. There's not really any down time."

Especially considering Carfrae chose to breastfeed. Those long, six-hour training blocks on the bike? They had to be split into two-hour windows based on Izzy's feeding schedule.

But it's not as if O'Donnell and Carfrae didn't know what they were getting into.

The couple first met in 2008, when they were both getting IV fluids to treat dehydration after a half-Ironman race in Texas. Their first date came when they returned to Colorado, where both lived and trained, and when they married in 2013 they instantly became the first family of Ironman triathlons.

O'Donnell is a long-distance world champion who finished third at Kona in 2015, while Carfrae has appeared on the Kona podium seven times. She held the course record of a hair over 8 hours, 52 minutes until 2016, when it was broken by three-time and reigning world champion Daniela Ryf.

All along, O'Donnell and Carfrae knew they wanted children. But they also were at the top of their game, with personal goals and sponsorship obligations. And with O'Donnell's family on the East Coast and Carfrae's family in Australia, it wasn't as if grandma and grandpa could help out.

Carfrae began to think seriously about having children in 2015, when she arrived in Kona to defend her most recent title. She was sideswiped by a car during one of her final training rides on the big island of Hawaii, and the injuries forced her to drop out on race day. That bitter taste lured her back the next year. She finished second and that was good enough.

"She hugged me," O'Donnell recalls, "and the first thing she said was, 'Can we have a baby now?' Literally the first thing I was like,



Husband and wife Ironman athletes Tim O'Donnell and Mirinda Carfrae pose for a photo with their daughter, Izzy, after winning a race last month.

Heck yeah! I was waiting. We both wanted to start a family, but since it was Rinny that had to hit the pause button her career, it was a decision in her court."

Pregnancy followed quickly, and there were no complications when Izzy arrived two months before last year's world championships. O'Donnell competed in the race, finishing in the top 20, and Carfrae was there with their daughter to greet him at the finish line.

Fast-forward a year and Izzy has already seen the world.

She visited her family in Australia for the first time and accompanied O'Donnell and Carfrae to a race in Europe. She's been all over the U.S., including a recent tuneup in Georgia, where O'Donnell and Carfrae made it a family sweep of a half-Ironman race to show their Kona training was on point.

O'Donnell and Carfrae documented many of their travels, races and family experiences on social media and their YouTube channel, which they've dubbed "The Tim and Rinny + Izzy Show."

In some ways, traveling is more stressful than even the most grueling training session.

"We were going to Australia in June," O'Donnell says, "and we rolled into the airport hot and heavy, bags everywhere — Izzy is there and everyone's carrying bags. We have bike boxes and all this luggage, and everyone is carrying two or three bags."

Then, across the terminal, they spotted Olympic triathlete Flora Duffy.

"Her jaw just dropped," O'Donnell says, laughing. "We were like, 'This could be you, Flora!'"

Carfrae always planned to return to Kona, and she began training seriously earlier this year. But the first few days and weeks were tough. She was quite naturally a bit heavier than normal, and some of the fitness she had built up over a decade of racing had disappeared.

Her coach, Siri Lindley, devised a training plan that put her on course to compete Oct. 13, and Carfrae kept hitting every benchmark. And after every tough

training session, good or bad, Carfrae knew that Izzy would be waiting for her when she got home.

"The end of the day," O'Donnell says, "when you're just really tired, and you want everything to be a little calm, she comes buzzing by and just starts ripping stuff apart."

"But it's so fun," Carfrae adds, "you can't be upset. She's so healthy and happy."

Those quiet nights at home might be where things have changed the most.

"Pre-Izzy, you look at it, What did I do with all my spare time before?" Carfrae says. "TV is gone. We used to finish training, turn on whatever show and go to bed. Now we finish training, we have dinner, Izzy time and then it's time to put her to bed. Then it's kind of like 'Time to go to sleep!'"

"If I'm lucky," she says, "I have a few minutes to write a couple emails, get back to a sponsor, but there's really no extra time. I think recovery has suffered a little bit, but I feel fine."

Most couples in such an unusu-

al situation would be happy just to qualify for Kona, but O'Donnell and Carfrae have high expectations. Yes, there are more obstacles in the way of their training, and the recovery that is so crucial to their sport may have suffered.

But both of them insist they've never been happier, and that has been reflected in their performances.

O'Donnell won the 70.3 race in Georgia last weekend by more than two minutes, and Carfrae finished the family double when she held off Jeanni Seymour by more than a minute.

Now, they're off to Kona where two years ago they embraced at the finish line and decided to start a family. And you can bet Izzy will be waiting for them at the finish this year.

"It's so fun," Carfrae says. "She's at all the finish lines, and I mean, most of the race I'm thinking about getting to the finish line so we can see Izzy and hug Izzy, and her face just lights up. She thinks everyone is cheering for her. We're excited for that moment."

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COMMENTARY

Harper, Nationals enter offseason of the unknown

BY BARRY SVRLUGA

The Washington Post

DENVER — If it was his last swing as a National, it was such a nice one — at once smooth and violent through the ball, sending it into the right field corner. With that, at 4:11 p.m. Mountain time, Bryce Harper cruised into second base with a double, his 34th of the season, the 183rd of his career — all wearing a helmet with that curly “W” on the front.

Fittingly for this season, Harper was stranded on second base in the ninth. So his last act at the end of a miserable 12-0 loss to the playoff-bound Colorado Rockies was to wander across the dirt and into the dugout, wearing a blank stare ahead into uncertainty.

It felt final. It's not — not yet. But it felt that way. What followed in the visitors' clubhouse, was it the last time he took off his Nationals jersey?

“I don't know,” Harper said. “So, nobody knows. Nobody knows if I'm going to be back, and nobody knows if I'm going to be in a different uniform.”

Thus, on a crisp Sunday in Denver began one of the most anticipated free agencies in baseball history. Bryce Harper is from Las Vegas, his once and forever hometown, and that's where he headed Sunday night as the offseason began. But Bryce Harper also came of age in Washington and with the Nationals, for whom he hit each of those 183 doubles, plus 184 homers, in seven seasons.

Shouldn't this be simple? Harper spent the better part of the last week of the season saying how much he would like to remain in Washington, D.C. On Sunday morning, before the last game of what was a disappointing season for his team, General Manager Mike Rizzo, who will have enormous input as to whether Harper stays or goes, said the following: “Of course he's in our plans. He's a guy we would love to have.”

So we have an employee who enjoys working for the only company he has ever known, and an employer who is happy with his work. Done deal, right?

Except this has been destined to be complicated since ... well, since forever. Harper came into the public eye as an anomaly — a prodigy on the cover of Sports Illustrated as a 15-year-old — and he remains one now, as a veteran who has stature as a player and status as a star. Another complicating factor: Harper's agent, Scott Boras, treats record-setting contracts like pelts mounted on a wall, and his history suggests he will wait until he gets the terms he has envisioned for, oh, six years or so. Plus, both Harper and the Nats could be publicly positioning themselves to be able to say, “Look, he/they said ‘No,’ not me/us,” and not be the bad guy in the divorce.

Harper is still more than two weeks from his 26th birthday, so he is unusually young to have spent the six full seasons in the majors it takes to reach free agency. We're talking about a contract that will be worth hundreds of millions of dollars, that could threaten Giancarlo Stanton's \$325 million contract, the richest in the history of American team sports. It's not as straightforward as: “You love us. We love you. Let's get married!”

“Do I think he stays in Washington?” said one interested onlooker, Rockies first baseman Ian Desmond. “I don't know. I think that his heart is there. I think any time that you're basically raised by an organization, there's that desire to stay.”

Desmond knows both the character and the territory. When Harper arrived with the Nationals in May 2012, Desmond was the incumbent shortstop. Desmond mentored Harper, even as Desmond had his own career to worry about. They grew tight enough that, when Harper got married, Desmond served as a groomsman. Desmond was drafted and developed by Harper's franchise, played 927 major league games as a Nat — the same number as Harper — reached free agency and left.

“I think a lot of times when you're under contract, you don't necessarily feel like you're the



JONATHAN NEWTON/THE WASHINGTON POST

Bryce Harper returns to the dugout after the eighth inning Sunday in Denver. It may have been his last game with the Nationals.

piece that they're excited to bring in,” Desmond said. “You feel like they're like, ‘This is what we got.’ You feel like you came with the house.”

Except Harper helped build the house. Before Harper arrived, the Nationals hadn't posted a winning record since they arrived in Washington for the 2005 season.

Sunday, even with a season that fell well short of expectations, they completed their seventh straight winning campaign.

“We've grown into a powerhouse,” Harper said.

Make fun of that all you want.

Since Harper's rookie season, only the Los Angeles Dodgers have more regular season wins.

Rizzo is adamant that this year's 82-80 record is a blip, not a trend.

And yet the general manager is predicting a return to contention — without knowing whether his most prominent player will be back.

Again, complicated. So, so

complicated. And yet ...

“Just knowing him,” Desmond

said. “I don't know that money will be the No. 1 driving force. I haven't talked to him about it. That's just my instinct.”

Free agency is a beautiful, nasty beast, full of opportunity and angst. In 2015, Desmond buckled as he headed toward freedom.

When it mattered most for him, personally, he turned in his worst season. The point isn't that it yielded Desmond just a one-year deal with Texas that offseason, or even that Desmond turned that into an all-star campaign and a five-year, \$70 million deal with Colorado. The point is that the pressures are real, and players handle them differently.

“I think my first time going through it, I can honestly say it weighed on me,” he said. “As much as I was reluctant to admit it at the time, there's a lot of questions going through your mind.”

It's my belief that Harper had those gremlins running through his brain at various points during the season. He won't admit it now,

and he might not even realize it.

But the important part, for who-

ever buys Harper's services this winter — be it the Nationals or

someone else — isn't why he

struggled in the first few months.

It's how he responded.

“Here's a kid that, at 25 was

hitting .210 — as a superstar.”

Manager Dave Martinez said. “He

could have fell apart, knowing that he's going to be a big free agent year. And he didn't.”

Harper's final numbers (in,

perhaps, his final Nats season): 34

homers, 103 runs, 100 RBI, 130

walks, an on-base percentage of

.393 and an on-base-plus-slugging percentage of .889. His ranks in the National League in those categories: tied for sixth, tied for

sixth, tied for seventh, first, fifth

and 10th.

“I learned a lot about my men-

tal side,” Harper said. “I learned a

lot about my swing and my ap-

proach. I'm going to get better

and keep plugging along.”

In the clubhouse afterward,

Harper sought out teammates to

exchange hugs. Victor Robles, the

outfield prospect who is part of the reason there are people in baseball who believe the Nats

could survive just fine in a post-

Harper world, raced over to have

him sign a baseball. He and Rizzo,

who began scouting Harper as a

high school sophomore, embrac-

ed and exchanged words: Talk soon.

“I think he's aware not only of

my interest in him, his career and

his life,” Rizzo said, “but also

ownership's and the organiza-

tion's.”

For the Nationals, winter ar-

rived Sunday evening, and the

long march to spring commenced.

Eventually, they will gather again

in West Palm Beach, Fla., to begin

another quest.

And as Bryce Harper packed

his bag — the red one with the

“W” and No. 34 on its side — and

exited the clubhouse, all we know

is the Nationals say they want him

back, and he says he wants to

return. We just have no idea what

that means.



The couple will appear at the Chicago Theatre on Tuesday.

Mullally, Offerman explore life, love

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS
Chicago Tribune

A drolly sincere, sincerely bad relationship confessional, "The Greatest Love Story Ever Told: An Oral History" offers readers the chance to hang out, vicariously, with Megan Mullally and Nick Offerman while they explore the warp and woof of their marriage, their secret lives doing "introvert things" (Mullally's phrase) and their good fortune in the lively arts.

The book comes out Tuesday. It's the same day Mullally and Offerman land their second stop on a five-city book tour, on the runway-length stage of the Chicago Theatre. Actor and "Saturday Night Live" alum Will Forte moderates the proceedings. And "moderation" is unlikely to be the watchword, though you never know.

Published by Dutton, "The Greatest Love Story Ever Told" unfolds in nine extended conversations between Mullally and Offerman on the topics of sex, family, good manners, Minooka, Ill. (Offerman's hometown), Northwestern University (Mullally went there, before knocking around Chicago stages in the 1980s), the rewards of a Hydra-headed polyglot creative partnership.

Also it includes six essays with titles such as "Sex Ninja," "Domestic Competence" and "Booty Tips." Imagine the indelibly contrasting voices of Mullally and Offerman reading those titles, as they do on the audiobook edition, and you'll get the rhythm and tone of things.

They met in 2000 doing Charles Mee's Bertolt Brecht riff "The Berlin Circle" at an LA theater company called the Evidence Room. Mullally, now 59, played the female lead; at the time, she was on hiatus from her hit "Will & Grace." The NBC sitcom recently rebooted with the original cast. Offerman, now 48, was

Turn to Love Story, Page 3



Drew King, from left, Leslie Donna Flesner, Santino Fontana, Sissy Bell and John Arthur Greene in "Tootsie" at the Cadillac Palace Theatre.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Tootsie' ★★★½

HEARTFELT OOMPH

In this Broadway-bound musical, Dorothy is really funny — and can really sing

BY CHRIS JONES
Chicago Tribune

The best moment in "Tootsie," which opened its pre-Broadway tryout in Chicago on Sunday night, is not when the remarkable Santino Fontana first appears in a dress as Dorothy, the ill-advised creation of an out-of-work actor turned by the relentless cruelty of a rejection-heavy biz into a two-bit, Midtown version of Dr. Frankenstein. It is when Fontana first opens his mouth to sing.

By intermission at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, the lobbies were buzzing with two questions: How does he sound like that? And can he really do that every night of the week?

This bodes very well indeed for the Broadway-bound "Tootsie," first and foremost because it reveals that the creative team of the composer David Yazbek, the book writer Robert Horn and the director Scott Ellis have figured out the tricky task of how to make the 1982 Sydney Pollack movie titter and totter confidently inside the high heels of a musical.

If you want a hit show, you have to provide an early moment when an audience — content that its hard-earned cash was not spent in vain — is sufficiently impressed that it relaxes, thus opening its collective heart to what is to come, even if that requires a forgiving spirit. Fontana earns that crucial moment for "Tootsie" not just by otherworldly control of the larynx but through stellar, old-fashioned comedic acting, demonstrably rooted in the pain and truth of his out-of-work Michael. By the time he is done, I'll wager this will go down as a truly great Broadway performance.

And although costume designer William Ivey Long ensures that Dorothy Michaels looks familiar enough to comfort fans of the

film, Fontana's work has one crucial quality for any such male performance in 2018 that Dustin Hoffman's famous performance did not: humility.

Already, "Tootsie" is a very funny show. That's partly because the situation familiar from the movie — actor pretends to be woman to get a part, only to see the deception spiral further and further out of control as others fall in love with his emasculating creation — is a proven scenario, even when modernized, removed from daytime TV and planted on today's Broadway on a set from David Rockwell that deftly switches from classic spectacle to the impoverished actor's reality. But it's mostly due to Horn's book, quite an achievement from a writer who never has written a prior book to a major musical.

You'll be in some standard scene or another, as Michael fends off his Cassandra-like roommate and foil Jeff (Andy Grotelueschen), his wacky actress friend Sandy (Sarah Stiles), his agent Stan (Michael McGrath) or Max (John Behlmann), the smitten, six-packed reality-TV actor who falls in love with Dorothy, and the gag will just be a whole lot funnier than the average joke in these kinds of shows. Stiles' deliciously bizarre Sandy has a whole mirth-making collection of feline-related humor, the pinnacle of which is her sad-sack description of re-enacting "Dirty Dancing" lifts with her cat

("he just wasn't very strong").

And in the key love scene moment when the actress Julie (Lilli Cooper) falls in love with Dorothy and declares a new twist to her hitherto heterosexual orientation, she explains herself by saying, "I know it's not the package I imagined."

Fontana lets that linger for a few seconds, staring at the floor.

"It's so not the package you imagined," he says, expertly building the laugh to a crescendo.

I say much the same, overall, about Yazbek's score. The sound has a movie-score quality, which feels both like an apt nod to the Hollywood origin of the material and a gently satirical jab at the song stylings of Dave Grusin and the early 1980s. Many of his tempos are arrestingly up — so much so, often so counterintuitively so, that they keep amping the pleasures of the piece.

You really should hear, for example, Yazbek's Act 1 anticipatory number, right before the show-within-a-show opens. It has exactly the same dramaturgical function of "Opening Night" in "The Producers," to bring up the show that "Tootsie" most recalls. And in most shows, it would be a throwaway number. But Yazbek gives the whole shebang the most delicious kind of anarchic but heartfelt bounce. That's true of the smashing opening number, too. Truly, Broadway has no better musical satirist than Yazbek, mostly because musicals never work unless the fun comes from love.

Most of the ballads have oodles of emotional oomph. "Tootsie" is a show about actors, so it is perhaps unsurprising that actors like Cooper do not struggle to sing

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Artist Theaster Gates, left, and Louise Bernard, Obama Presidential Center museum director, participate in a discussion led by Hans Ulrich Obrist during Expo Chicago at Navy Pier on Saturday.

An hourslong chat with artists, innovators at expo

BY CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI
Chicago Tribune

On Saturday afternoon, at the far end of Navy Pier, in a ballroom overlooking Lake Michigan, Hans Ulrich Obrist talked, and listened, then talked, and listened some more. He talked to 20 Chicago artists, poets, architects, essayists, MacArthur geniuses, sociologists. He did this for more than five hours, one person after another, sometimes pairing up artists and talking to two at once. He did not faint or take a bathroom break or sneak a granola bar as they spoke. He grew tired, his voice sounded hoarse, but the man never cracked.

Obrist is artistic director of the Serpentine Galleries in London; he was in town for the annual Expo Chicago art exhibition.

Crowds gathered in the ballroom to listen to his conversations, only to drift away, then return again, then drift away, over and over, like the waves against the pier.

Artist Amanda Williams, best known for her brightly colored abandoned homes in Englewood, and a practice that innovatively pairs issues of social justice and class with architecture, told him: "What Chicago needs is for each of us to operate outside of our own best self-interests."

Photographer Dawoud Bey told him that he wanted to question our assumptions about community.

Louise Bernard, museum director of the Obama Presidential Center, told him that "we tend to think of presidential museums

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Rapper Cardi B performs Saturday at the 2018 Global Citizen Festival in New York's Central Park.

Cardi B turns self in to police after fight

Cardi B surrendered to police Monday in New York, according to NBC Channel 4 News. The rapper will not be arrested but will be ordered to appear in court for her role in an August strip club fight.

The rapper turned herself in at the Flushing precinct in the New York City borough of Queens before 10 a.m. Her face was covered by several umbrellas as she left a vehicle and walked inside; she did not respond to reporters' questions.

Sources told TMZ that Cardi will be charged with ordering an attack on two bartenders, sisters Jade and Baddie Gi, at Angels Strip Club in Queens on Aug. 29. The women reportedly were injured but declined medical treatment.

Cardi, who performed at the Global Citizen Festival in Central Park on Saturday, will be charged with two misdemeanors alleging reckless endangerment and disorderly conduct.

The sisters say Cardi thought Jade had slept with her husband — Offset, a member of Migos, which was performing at the club that night — and ordered her staff to throw bottles and chairs at them. They also say Cardi threw at least one bottle at them. A source close to the rapper described the attack as "spontaneous" and said it began after someone threw a drink. Reps for Cardi and the sisters' attorney, Joe Tacopino, declined Variety's requests for comment.

— Variety



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Paltrow subtly confirms she's married: It appears Gwyneth Paltrow married "Glee" co-creator Brad Falchuk over the weekend. The actress posted a photo on Instagram of two hands wearing matching wedding bands, appearing to confirm reports of a wedding. Paltrow and Falchuk met on the "Glee" set and they announced their engagement in January. Paltrow eloped with Coldplay singer Chris Martin in 2003. They divorced in 2016.

Williams' breast cancer awareness video: Tennis great Serena Williams goes topless and sings "I Touch Myself" in a video to promote breast cancer awareness month. With her hands covering her breasts, Williams writes in the Instagram post that she wanted to do it because early detection saves so many lives. The video is part of the I Touch Myself Project, dedicated to singer Chrissy Amphlett, who died after a long battle with breast cancer in 2013.

Springsteen's surprise festival appearance:

Bruce Springsteen appeared for a surprise performance at a New Jersey festival. "The Boss" performed with the band Social Distortion at the inaugural Sea.Hear.Now festival Sunday in Asbury Park, N.J. More than 20 performers took the stage over the weekend, including Jack Johnson, Blondie and the Original Wailers.

Oct. 2 birthdays: Singer Don McLean is 73. Musician Sting is 67. Actress-talk-show host Kelly Ripa is 48. Singer Tiffany is 47. Actress Samantha Barks is 28.



ASK AMY

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Wedding invite for abusive 'other'?

Dear Amy: My fiance and I are trying to decide if we have to invite the "significant other" of one of his groomsmen to our wedding next summer. The groomsman, "Mark," recently got back together with his ex. All of his friends despise her. During their two-year relationship she was emotionally, and at times physically, abusive toward Mark. She isolated him from his friendships.

When they broke up, we were relieved to see him acting like himself again.

During the year they were apart, my fiance and I got engaged and asked him to be a groomsman. When Mark brought her out after getting back together, she didn't acknowledge our engagement. We are trying to be pleasant toward her, but I am always frustrated and upset after we interact.

I have no desire to be anywhere near this girl on my wedding day.

As the significant other of a groomsman, she would have close access to us and the wedding party (showers, rehearsal dinner, etc.), and she is not someone we want to share these one-time special events with.

However, not inviting her could seriously damage our relationship with Mark and with them as a couple if they stay together.

Running out the clock

and hoping they break up before then does not seem like a great solution. What do we do?

— Bewildered Bride

Dear Bride: Because this person has a history of cutting "Mark" off from his friends, almost any response on your part could affect your friendship and isolate him. This is one

tragic aspect of having someone in your life who is in an abusive relationship: to a certain extent, loved ones must find a way to tolerate the intolerable in order to maintain contact with the abused party.

You could not invite her, but then Mark would likely bow out also. And if she is the manipulative, isolating and abusive partner you claim she is, your friendship with Mark might end.

Another option would be to basically demote Mark from official groomsman to honored guest. He could bring her to the wedding, but she wouldn't be in your face during all of the ancillary events. This would also affect your friendship with him.

I actually think that running out the clock is wisest because this gives you time to see if the dynamic might improve. You can exercise a nuclear option later. Continue in your active friendship.

Having close friendships is the best thing for him, and it might inspire him to finally leave his abuser.

Dear Amy: I've been friends with "Myrtle" for nearly 20 years. She used to work for me. I'm a very strong, independent woman. I've never needed many friends (I've been married to my best friend for 37 years). Myrtle has always demanded a lot of attention. Her husband and I have also butted heads over the years. It drains me to hang out with them for any period of time. The last time she had one of her explosions, I backed off.

My therapist has walked me through my feelings and I'm now very clear that being with her is un-

healthy for me. I tried to back out slowly, but she created drama over nothing again — exploding, and later apologizing. I'm always supposed to forgive and forget. I can't do it anymore, and now she's dragged our husbands (who get along) into this.

I feel like I am forced to just shut up so we can all be "friends." Help!

— Too Old for Drama

Dear Too Old: There is a simple solution: Don't engage. At all. If your husbands make plans, you should encourage their friendship, but find something else to do during the times they're together.

When "Myrtle" confronts you, tell her, "Our friendship has run its course." If she apologizes for her actions, accept her apology, but don't communicate with her further.

Dear Amy: I felt for the teacher who was so overwhelmed on her first day that she wanted to quit the profession ("Hello Teaching, Goodbye Teaching").

Every teacher should have a period of "practice teaching" with an experienced teacher before they are let loose into the classroom. This period is an important proving ground for the profession.

— Longtime Teacher

Dear Teacher: This inexperienced teacher might have been describing her practice period — she didn't say. But yes, I agree completely.

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Marathon interview starts off Chicago's talkiest season

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being of a particular time in history," but the vision for the Obama Center is to inspire new generations of leaders, "in a broadest possible sense."

Many others said much more.

It was part performance art, part seemingly never-ending talk show, part stunt and part sincere inquiry: Can you locate the soul of a place though a long day of conversation?

It also served, unofficially, as the opening of talk season.

We don't have a good name for this yet — the Jabber Weeks? the Chatter Time? — but it exists.

Every fall throughout Chicago, important figures sit on large stages and just, you know, talk to us. They do this from now until we feed our faces at Thanksgiving and stop talking. The Chicago Humanities Festival, which locally owns the format, begins its Fall Yappening at the end of October, offering Tom Hanks, Alice Walker and plenty of others.

Chicago Ideas Week, starting Oct. 15,

offers Ellie Kemper, Michael Eric Dyson and more. And of course there are Chicago's bookstores, which, nightly through October and November, offer conversations with authors, for free.

It's a lot to look forward to.

Or you could have knocked out the season in an afternoon with Swiss-born Obrist, who named his event "Creative Chicago: An Interview Marathon," and — with help from the Humanities Festival's booking department — assembled a who's who of Chicago cultural life. Indeed, they even tried to book Rahm Emanuel to do his podcast during the event.

Didn't work out.

Perhaps the mayor didn't know what he was missing?

Obrist, whom *The New Yorker* named "the curator who never sleeps," is celebrated in London for his marathons — or rather, "durational art." He began in 2006 with a series of interviews that lasted 24 hours (he checked himself into a hospital immediately after). Ever since, the Serpentine has had marathon events lasting three to 24 hours, often based around a theme, such as memory or extinction. At one marathon, filmmaker Agnes Varda dressed as a potato. At another, artist Damien Hirst lectured at 4 a.m.

The night before the Navy Pier event — Obrist's first marathon in



Artist Barbara Kasten, left, and architect Jeanne Gang, who had never met, asked each other questions.



Architect Stanley Tigerman said, "Architecture is the sport of Chicago."

the United States — he told me that he was "curating the city." He called it "a way of bringing together disciplines to construct an image of a place (this is) really far too complex to construct in any synthetic way." He said that he chose Chicago for the event because a large archive of his interviews is held at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, but also because a major influence on his chat-a-thons is Studs Terkel, Chicago's late king of conversation.

Obrist wanted to pay homage.

Long, slim, with heavy black eyeglass frames, he positioned himself more as a cultural tourist,

one who had corralled a dream team of local guides for snippets of advice and character:

Tim Samuelson, official city historian, waving a pair of Eliot Ness' handcuffs, said he is organizing his decades of artifacts but fears he will be hit by a bus and no one will understand why he owned a pair of handcuffs. Eve Ewing, Chicago poet and sociologist, said, "No matter how many degrees you have, everyone is an expert on their own life."

Architect Stanley Tigerman, in a wheelchair at 88, said, "Architecture is the sport of Chicago. It's not the Cubs, Bulls, Bears or whatever animal has their name

on a team."

Obrist sat all day before a backdrop designed by Chicago artist Barbara Kasten, a sculpture of colored plexiglass slats that suggested the rumpus room of the Fortress of Solitude. And as the day wore on, the shimmer from the lake faded and Kasten's colors glowed and became the focus.

Indeed, compared with the hit-and-miss nature of many staged conversations in Chicago, this was an organic, living work of art, with its share of surprising revelations.

Obrist asked nearly every artist to name an unrealized project, either "censored or self-censored dreams." Both Brandon Breaux, a painter known for his Chance the Rapper album covers, and Fatimah Asghar, poet and co-creator of the web series "Brown Girls," in separate interviews, spoke of creating museums dedicated to their families; Amanda Williams and artist Cauleen Smith both spoke of deciding at some point in their careers that they would not ask permission to act boldly anymore.

Obrist also asked what Chicago needs.

Architect Jeanne Gang (and others, in various ways) said it needed "glue" to connect its disparate, increasingly unequal parts — perhaps even "something

shocking to bring us back together in a common cause."

Artist Theaster Gates answered differently from most: Chicago needs friendships.

None of this is surprising.

And yet, with Obrist as the frame, it felt like art.

I'm a junkie for staged talks.

I have attended every New Yorker Festival — which is its own, overpriced Fall Yappening — since it began in 1999, more than my share of Humanities Festival events and countless bookstore chats. But none feel like art. Obrist — allowing roughly 15 minutes for each subject — crafted a new albeit cumbersome medium for painting a portrait of community.

He guided the ear the way others guide the eye.

Late in the afternoon, as he came to the most obvious of conclusions, that each of these artists is presenting his or her reality, and yet with Chicago as a collective canvas, the point became touching. Gates, for instance, called our thrift stores "the archives of America," a tool he used to sharpen his eye, evolving for him from a place where he desired hip clothes to a place where he understood, by simply shopping for old clothes, that he was continuing a cultural legacy.

At times, Obrist, with a curator's heart, paired artists who didn't know each other, asking them to pose questions to each other. Kasten asked Gang why she stayed in Chicago; Suellen Rocca, of the white '60s Chicago art collective the Hairy Who, asked Gerald Williams, of the black '60s Chicago art collective AfriCOBRA, about his early days as a teacher — like many of the artists brought together by Obrist, they share Chicago but had never met before.

You suspected Obrist hoped to create connections that lead to collaborations and more art. If there was suspense, it was contained in the question of whether Obrist could keep the project within five allotted hours.

Mostly, he could. But he would not interrupt, not even the worst of the droners. Early on he played a clip of himself interviewing Terkel. He asked for advice, and Studs told him sharply: "Listen."

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What happened to Martin Riggs on 'Lethal Weapon'?

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Q: What happened to Clayne Crawford who played Martin Riggs on 'Lethal Weapon'? Why did they kill him off?

A: The brief answer is Crawford was fired after two seasons on the Fox action series, inspired by the movies starring Mel Gibson and Danny Glover. Crawford played Riggs (the name of Gibson's character in the films) with Damon Wayans as Roger Murtaugh (Glover's movie role). Riggs was shot in the second-season finale and declared dead in the third season premiere, with Sean William Scott joining the series as Wesley Cole, a new partner for Murtaugh.

But what did it take to get one of the two main actors on a show dismissed? Crawford's relationship with the show was not nearly as warm as the farewell the show gave Riggs in the season premiere.

Before his firing, according to the Hollywood Reporter, Crawford admitted he had been twice reprimanded for his on-set behavior, including an outburst over what he considered unsafe working conditions. He apologized for those incidents, but there were other problems — including, as Crawford said in a post-firing podcast, repeated conflicts with Wayans, whom Crawford called "a waste of space."

The situation became so bad the Hollywood Reporter said "many connected with the series have said they would rather not work with" Crawford. To keep the show going, the studio dropped Crawford and brought in Scott.

Q: Why did Harry Connick Jr.'s show go off the air?



Clayne Crawford, left, reportedly called onetime "Lethal Weapon" co-star Damon Wayans a "waste of space."

Q: What happened to Clayne Crawford who played Martin Riggs on 'Lethal Weapon'? Why did they kill him off?

A: The syndicated talk-variety show was canceled after two seasons. Deadline.com said it had been "a soft ratings performer from the start," including with a key daytime audience of women 25 to 54 years old. The cancellation was "fully expected," Deadline said, and television stations carrying Connick had already been shopping for replacements before the cancellation was official.

Q: We very much enjoyed the summer replacement show on ABC, "Take Two" with Eddie Cibrian and Rachel Bilson. Any chance of it getting picked up for a more permanent position next year?

A: At this writing, there's nothing official from ABC about a second take for "Take Two." And, if it does come back, it would likely be for another summer run.

Q: In my opinion, Mickey Rooney was the most talented performer there ever was. He acted and danced and he could sing. Could you please tell me how many musical instruments he could play?

A: I suspect Rooney, as talented as he was troubled,

could have pounded out a tune on anything you put in front of him. One 2014 obituary noted that in "Babes in Arms" alone he played seven instruments.

Q: I watch Turner Classic Movies all the time and I noticed for months after Robert Osborne died they had a young woman previewing the films and giving information about them. What happened to her?

I've seen another woman named Alicia Malone has taken her place. She has a really hard-to-understand speech pattern.

A: Malone is from Australia, which may explain those speech patterns bothering you; she and Dave Karger became full-time hosts for the channel earlier this year. Tiffany Vazquez, the host you remember from earlier, tweeted in January that her contract with TCM had not been renewed.

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then a recently relocated Chicago stage actor, long affiliated with the now-defunct Defiant Theatre. He played a featured role in the Evidence Room show.

In one of the book's back-and-forth dialogues, Mullally recalls scanning her colleagues the first day of rehearsal "to see who I was going to have my fling with." Offerman didn't quite "register on the fling-o-meter," she says, but then, he wasn't really fling material. Soon enough they became friends, and they cracked each other up, and respected each other's talent. And grew closer.

Mullally took it uncharacteristically slowly. But, says Offerman, she "gave me enough encouragement that I continued to play my troth." They've been together 18 years. Along the way Offerman landed his own long-running NBC sitcom, "Parks and Recreation."

The book, he says, was mostly his wife's idea. "She steered the conversations. I just had the good fortune of having the opportunity to take part, just as I do by doing the dishes or carrying her luggage."

We all talked Thursday by phone. The following is an edited transcript.

Q: Did you two always have it in mind to sort of mesh together your work life and your home life?

Offerman: It wasn't something we had as an ambition, or a goal. When we got together, we had no idea I'd become more well-known than I was at that time, to the point where we could be considered a couple of some notoriety. So it's all come about quite organically.



Offerman and Mullally have been together for 18 years.

And it's been a lot of fun.

Megan is really smart at thinking things up, and she has great taste. I wouldn't be surprised if, in a couple of years, she said: Let's do an enormous installation sculpture together.

Q: Like a Christo thing.

Offerman: I'll happily drape flags across the Grand Canyon with her.

Mullally: For the book, we thought it'd be more interesting to treat these conversations as springboards. It's about our relationship and relationships in general, and we can't get any closer to who we are as a couple than by just talking about it. Unexpurgated.

Q: Like therapy without the bill.

Mullally: For sure, absolutely. That's what it was like! To actually hunker down for an hour at a time and talk about our families or whatever — it was great. Our upbringings were so radically different.

In the book he talks about a particular argument his mom and dad had once, and his dad walked out of the house, and his mom was crying, and the whole family was really freaked out. It was a huge deal for Nick. Whereas that was the usual before-breakfast routine at my house.

Offerman: I was somewhat traumatized to hear of a seemingly endless procession of romantic partners that Megan had.

Mullally: Still have.

Offerman: Sorry, didn't mean to put an end to it ...

I did have to steel myself to hear about those exploits.

But in truth, when you get to know somebody over many years, you hear things in bits and pieces,

and you put together a sort of mural. Recording these conversations, I learned a lot about Megan's early life

and came away with a much clearer idea of what it was really like — her life at school, at home, her early performing life.

Q: I doubt anyone'll be surprised at how funny the book is, but it struck me as just serious enough to, you know, give it some ballast.

Mullally: Thanks!

Offerman: That's a nice review. I guess that's our mission statement: to come across as entertaining, but to be serious enough to stick with you.

Megan Mullally and Nick Offerman, in conversation with Will Forte, introduced by the Chicago Tribune's Amy Carr, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St. Tickets are \$55-\$70 plus fees and include a copy of the book; go to unscriptedseries.com for seats and more information.

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'Tootsie,' Michael are stellar

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truthfully about the sacrifices their work requires. Any number of songs in this show will find their way to cabarets; they'll be sung by those hungry for material that reflects their lives.

The only song that doesn't work is, inarguably, the most important number of all, an eleven o'clock ditty wherein Michael thanks Dorothy for all that he has learned from her. This weirdly inert power ballad sits like a limp rag — at least by comparison with all the prior brilliance in the richly orchestrated score — and the sag it causes in the show's most important section actually torpedoes the last 15 minutes, which is where all the major work still needs to

happen.

Dorothy's big reveal as Michael — which you may recall is the most famous scene in the film — is very much a letdown here. It's rushed and it doesn't have either the requisite dramatic tension nor the required emotional impact on the other characters. Compared with the level of detail Ellis provides elsewhere — some of the physical comedy is just as fantastic as the emotional logic — it is disappointingly nonspecific. All of a sudden, a hugely enjoyable show becomes a bore.

It's hardly unusual for tryouts to run out of time, and with a better song and more directorial attention to the conclusion, we're more likely to be cooking with gas when Michael ditched the false eyelashes. It would further help if Cooper ups the personality quotient: We have to believe that Michael will be happy, given his proven propensity to make others miserable. And I'd also deepen the show's antagonist, the director Ron

Carlisle (Reg Rogers), so far too much of a paper tiger.

Still, "Tootsie" gets so very much right. It's by far the best of this recent crop of Chicago tryouts: I've surely never seen a musical comedy so deliciously lampoon the familiar tropes of Broadway choreography (choreographer Denis Jones has both guts and self-awareness) and, by being so palpably warmhearted, it avoids causing any offense in an era much changed from 1982. No easy feat, that.

In fact, Ellis lets his comic actors build characters as outlandishly successful as I have seen since Ulla Inga Hansen Benson Yansen Tallen Hallen Svaden Swanson of "The Producers" once roamed this very stage and Mel Brooks danced on the tables at Petterino's restaurant. It's good to finish the work and have a hit.

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RECORDINGS

Prince alone at piano shows us his joyful creative process

BY GREG KOT
Chicago Tribune

Prince brought an anything-can-happen spontaneity to his concerts that belied the craft of his studio recordings. That improvisatory spirit is in full force on "Piano & a Microphone 1983" (NPG/Warner Brothers), a home recording dug up from Prince's voluminous archive.

The first seven of the nine songs are performed as a medley, as good a representation as any of how Prince's mind worked when in thrall to the music during a performance, whether on an arena stage or in his basement. He treats the 88 piano keys like an orchestra, his left and right hands swapping roles and creating a dense framework for his voice, which glides across a spectrum of grit and grace. He treats the songs more like tone poems than formal verse-chorus pop constructions. It adds up to a fascinating glimpse of process, a genius at the height of his powers in an informal setting.

Prince was in between masterpieces in the summer of 1983, with "1999" out the previous year and "Purple Rain" on the horizon in 1984. As he instructs his engineer to lower the lights, he dives into "17 Days," which will surface as one of his best B-sides a year later. While stomping his foot, he uses his voice as another rhythm instrument while elaborating counter-melodies on the piano.

The song melts into a tantalizing snippet of "Purple Rain" and then a luxurious mini version of Joni Mitchell's "A Case of You." Mitchell's influence, her knack for creating a more open-ended jazzlike framework that mirrored the emotions of her narrators,



Prince, who died in 2016, left an extensive archive of unreleased material.



'Piano & a Microphone 1983'

Prince

★★★ (out of 4)

is readily apparent in Prince's piano voicings.

The set's centerpiece is Prince's reading of the monumental "Mary Don't You Weep." He transforms the 19th-century spiritual-turned-civil-rights anthem into an extended psychodrama. "I don't like no snow, no winter, no cold," he sings, taking huge liberties with lyrics steeped in Old Testament scripture.

"I've got a bad, bad feeling that your man ain't coming home." It's biblical blues, and it stands as a Prince landmark.

Though nothing else on the brief, 34-minute album can compare to this performance, it nonetheless offers insight into a Prince at his most unguarded, as he sculpts blocks of music into new shapes. An early version of "International Lover" pits his voice against piano lines both gentle and bold. It's as if he's seducing the piano at the same time as he's whispering in his lover's ear. He invests "Cold Coffee & Cocaine" with jittery funk fury and raspy James Brown-channeling vocals. Even as he plays an exaggerated suitor, he exudes a joy that almost by itself justifies the release of an album never intended for the public.

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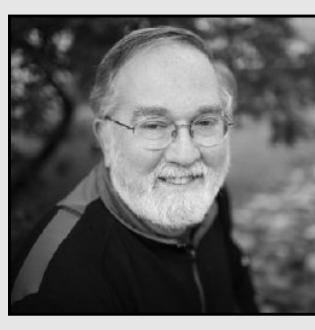


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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Sean William Scott

"Lethal Weapon" (8 p.m., FOX): New partners Murtaugh and Cole (Damon Wayans, Seann William Scott) try to find a comfortable professional rhythm together as they investigate the murder of a finance detective in the new episode "Need to Know." At the same time, Cole is struggling to get more clarity with his ex, Natalie (guest star Maggie Lawson), and daughter Maya (guest star Shay Rudolph). Meanwhile, Avery (Kevin Rahm) tries to come to terms with the outcome of his city council campaign.

"NCIS" (7 p.m., CBS): After a Navy lieutenant is found murdered in his own hot tub, Gibbs (Mark Harmon) and his team discover that the victim lived in a neighborhood that some might describe as "peculiar," one that provides them with no shortage of potential suspects, in the new episode "Love Thy Neighbor." Meanwhile, Torres (Wilmer Valderrama) has to face some harsh consequences following an eventful night out with Jimmy Palmer (Brian Dietzen).

"The Outpost" (8 p.m., CW): Exhausted from their harrowing journey, Talon, Garret and Janzo (Jessica Green, Jake Stormoen, Anand Desai-Barochia) are shocked to find the Outpost now very different from how it was at the time of their departure in the Season 1 finale, "The Dragman Is Coming." Talon confronts Dred (Philip Brodie), only to discover she can't decide whether to take revenge for his misdeeds or concentrate on saving her friends.

"Below Deck" (8 p.m., 10:30 p.m., Bravo): Get ready for more above-deck demands and below-deck drama as this soapy unscripted series returns with a new chapter, this time to the islands of Tahiti. Captain Lee has brought his luxury yacht My Seanna to these crystalline waters, accompanied by Kate, his trustworthy steward, and a new crew.

"Trans Am" (9 p.m., 1 a.m., Discovery): This new unscripted series follows brothers and car savants Tod and Scott Warmack as they and their team work tirelessly to restore luster and glory to one of the most iconic American "muscle cars" in history. Working out of their production facilities these automobile artisans re-engineer and craft these classic cars from the inside out.

"New Amsterdam" (9:01 p.m., NBC): As Max (Ryan Eggold) refines his latest diagnosis, Dr. Sharpe (Freema Agyeman) urges him to make a plan in a new episode called "Rituals." Meanwhile, Dr. Bloom (Janet Montgomery) urges Reynolds (Jocko Sims) to screw up his courage and make a leap of faith. Elsewhere, Dr. Kapoor and Iggy (Anupam Kher, Tyler Labine) work together to help a child.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10:01 p.m. 11:31 p.m., TBS): Celebrity guests, music acts and comics.*
"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Claire Foy; author Chelsea Clinton; Lil Wayne talks and performs.*
"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Eva Longoria; actor Damon Wayans Jr.; journalist Steve Kornacki.*
"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 2

MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: "Love Thy Neighbor." (N) C HD	FBI: "Green Birds." (N) C HD	NCIS: New Orleans: "Inside Out." (N) C	News (N) ♦			
NBC 5	The Voice: "The Blind Auditions, Part 4." (N) C HD	This Is Us: "A Philadelphia Story." (N) C HD	(9:01) New Amsterdam: "Rituals." (N) C	NBC 5 News (N) ♦				
ABC 7	Dancing With the Stars: "Las Vegas Night." (N) (Live) C HD		(9:01) A Million Little Things: "pilot." C HD	News at 10pm (N) ♦				
WGN 9	blackish C HD	blackish: "THE Word."	Last Man Standing C	Last Man Standing C	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) C HD	WGN News at Ten (N)		
Antenna 9.2	Alice C	Alice C	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach C	Coach C	Murphy	
This TV 9.3	Blown Away (R, '94) ★★ Jeff Bridges. C				Manhunter (R, '86) ★★★ C ♦			
PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		The Great American Read (N) C HD		Frontline: "Trump's Showdown." (N) C HD ♦			
The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	Funny You Million. (N)	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld C			
MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle WKRP Cinci.	Hogan Hero Hogan Hero	C. Burnett				
H&I 26.4	Star Trek C	Star Trek: Next	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek ♦				
Bounce 26.5	One on One	One on One	Daddy's Little Girls (PG-13, '07) ★★ Gabrielle Union, Idris Elba.					
FOX 32	The Gifted: "unMoored."	Lethal Weapon: "Need to Know." (N) C HD	Fox 32 News at Nine (N)	Modern Family				
Ion 38	Criminal Minds C	Criminal Minds C	Criminal Minds C	Criminal Minds C	Private ♦			
TeleM 44	• Exatlón EE. UU. (N)	Falsa Identidad (N) C	El recluso (N) C	Chicago (N)				
CW 50	The Flash C HD	The Outpost (Season Finale) (N) C	Chicago P.D. C	Chicago ♦				
UniMas 60	• (6) Reto 4 elementos: Naturaleza extrema (N)		La jefaz del campeón (N)	Velvet ♦				
WJYS 62	Israel	The Gospel	Joyce Meyer Robison	Dr. T Felder Paid Prog.	Monument			
Univ 66	El rico y Lázaro (N)	Mi marido tiene familia	La piloto	Noticias (N)				
CABLE	AE	The First 48 C	The First 48 C	(9:01) The First 48 C	First 48 ♦			
AMC	• Walk Dead (7:23) The Walking Dead	(8:24) The Walking Dead	(9:25) The Walking Dead					
ANIM	Yukon Men C	Yukon Men C	Yukon Men C	Missouri ♦				
BBCA	Doctor Who: "The Next Doctor." C	(8:20) Doctor Who C	(9:40) Doctor Who C ♦					
BET	• Players Club (7:35) Hustle & Flow (R, '05) ★★ Terrence Howard, Anthony Anderson.							
BIGTEN	BTN Football in 60 C	BIG Football & Beyond	Campus (N)	Big Ten (N)	Football ♦			
BRAVO	Below Deck C	Below Deck (Season Premiere) (N) C	Flipping Out (N) C	Watch (N)				
CLTV	Chic.Best Weekend	S.E. Chi Liv. Healthy	SportsFeed C	Politics				
CNBC	Shark Tank C	Shark Tank C	Shark Tank C	Shark ♦				
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Primo Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	Tonight (N) ♦				
COM	Tosh.0 C	Tosh.0 C	Tosh.0 C	Jefferies (N)	Daily (N) ♦			
DISC	Rat Rods (N)	Vegas Rat Rods (N)	Trans Am (Series Premiere) (N) C	Rat Rods (N)				
DISN	Raven Raven	Stuck Stuck	Bunk'd C	Bunk'd C	Raven			
E!	The Other Guys (PG-13, '10) ★★★ Will Ferrell, Mark Wahlberg. C			Talladega Nights ★★ C ♦				
ESPN	MLB Baseball: National League Wild Card: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			SportCtr (N)				
ESPN2	MLB Baseball (N) (Live)			Profile (N) ♦				
FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) C	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News				
FOOD	Chopped C	Chopped (N) C	Chopped C	Chopped ♦				
FREE	• Hocus Monsters University (G, '13) ★★★ Voices of Billy Crystal. C			700 Club ♦				
FX	• (6) The Avengers (PG-13, '12) ★★★ Robert Downey Jr. Mayans M.C.: "Uch/Opossum." (N) C ♦							
HALL	Love Struck Café (NR, '17) Sarah Jane Morris. C		Golden Girls Golden Girls	Golden Girls				
HGTV	Fixer Upper C	Desert (N) Desert Flip	Hunters (N) Hunt Int'l (N)	Hunters				
HIST	American Pickers C	American Pickers (N) C	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News				
HLN	Forensic Forensic	Forensic Forensic	Forensic Forensic	Forensic				
IFC	Men in Black (PG-13, '97) ★★★ Tommy Lee Jones. C	(9:15) Men in Black (PG-13, '97) ★★★						
LIFE	Married (N) Married (N)	Married at First Sight (N) C		13 Sons & Pregnant (N) ♦				
MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)	11th Hour ♦				
MTV	Jersey Shore-Vacation	The Challenge (N) C	Ridiculous. Ridiculous.	Ridiculous. ♦				
NBCSCH	College Football: Stanford at Notre Dame. (Tape)		Inside N.D. Point	Patrick ♦				
NICK	I Am Frankie SpongeBob	SpongeBob SpongeBob	Friends C Friends C	Friends C Friends C				
Ovation	• (6) Charlie's Angels ★★★ Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle (PG-13, '03) ★★ C			Bad Boys ♦				
OWN	The Haves, Nots	The Haves, Nots (N)	Black Love (N)	The Haves ♦				
OXY	Chicago P.D. C	Chicago P.D. C	Chicago P.D.: "You Wish." NCIS ♦					
PARMT	Friends C Friends C	Friends C Friends C	Ink Master (N) C	Remember ♦				
SYFY	Iron Man 3 (PG-13, '13) ★★★ Robert Downey Jr., Gwyneth Paltrow. C			Futurama				
TBS	Big Bang Big Bang	Big Bang Big Bang	Wrecked (N) Wrecked	Conan (N) ♦				
TCM	You'll Never Get Rich (NR, '41) ★★★ C	(8:45) You Were Never Lovelier (NR, '42) ★★★ C						
TLC	Outdaughted: "Hawaii Five-Uh-Oh." (Season Finale) (N) Sextuplets (N)			Outdaugh. ♦				
TLN	Let Think Wealth	Focus on Difference	Life Today Insights	Pictures ♦				
TNT	NBA Preseason Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)			Basketball (N Subject to				
TOON	Gumball Gumball	Amer. Dad Amer. Dad	Burgers Burgers	Family Guy				
TRAV	Expedition Unknown C	Expedition Unknown (N)	Expedition Unkn. (N)	Destinati. ♦				
TVL	Raymond Raymond	Goldbergs Goldbergs	Two Men Two Men	King				
USA	WWE SmackDown! (N) (Live) C			The Purge: "Rise Up." (N) Law-SVU ♦				
VH1	Love & Hip Hop	Love & Hip Hop	Love & Hip Hop	Mackies ♦				
WE	Law & Order C	Law & Order C	Law & Order C	Law ♦				
WGN America	M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C	M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C	Carter (N) C	Married				
HBO	American Made (R, '17) ★★★ Tom Cruise. C			Student Athlete (N) C				
HBO2	Queen of the World C Tracey Ull Animals C			Real Time With Bill Maher Last Week ♦				
MAX	Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13, '10) ★★ Steve Carell. C	(8:55) Three Fugitives ('89) ★★★						
SHO	Shameless C	Inside the NFL (N) C	Kidding C The Circus	Inside NFL ♦				
STARZ	• (6) The Edge (R, '97) ★★ Warriors of Liberty City		America to Me C	Roman ♦				
STZENC	• An American Haunting ★★ Easy A (PG-13, '10) ★★★ Emma Stone.		(9:35) Road House ★★★					

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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Oct. 2): Pull in a bountiful harvest this year. Coordinated efforts provide beautiful domestic results. Take advantage of a windfall. Domestic bliss this winter leads into a time of social transition. Professional good news next summer precludes a family turning point. Prioritize the ones you love.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Smooth rough edges at home. Communication can resolve a breakdown. Take care when traveling, or avoid it altogether. Watch for surprises and potential collisions.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. You can see what wasn't working. Revise earlier decisions. Silence can say more than words. Don't overspend, even for a good cause.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. No need to argue details; an unexpected development changes all. Be willing to compromise. No stretching the truth now. Temporary confusion could muddle your view.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. A good theory needs work. Discover an unexpected reaction. Conditions change. Decrease distractions. Resolve a communications breakdown. Find out what's required. Draw upon hidden resources.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 5. Meditate and consider. Imagine what could be possible. Keep your wallet in your pocket. Focus your energy on work. Avoid risk. Conditions are unsettled.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Compromise with a team project. Review what's been done and what's needed together to avoid mistaken assumptions. Consider imaginative solutions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. You can learn what you need for the job. Don't believe everything you hear. Stick to tested routines and practices. Compare suppositions against new data.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Avoid controversy with jointly held finances. Clarify facts. There may not be as much money as you thought. You can work it out. Collaborate.

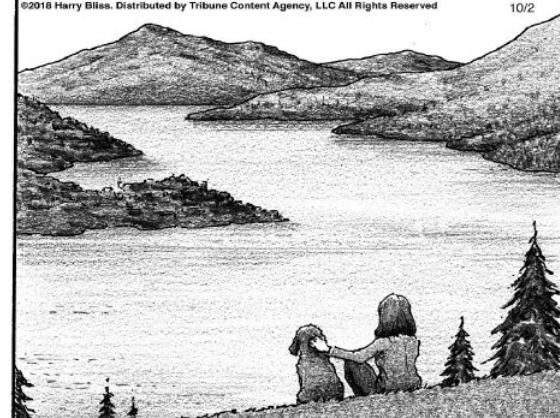
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 6. Work things out with a partner privately. You may get strong feedback. Learn and adapt. Put in corrections. Persuade by speaking to another's interests.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Slow down if you reach a dead end. Look around and choose a new direction with your work, health and service. Discuss research in private.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. You're attracted and attractive. Don't let financial constraints stop you from pursuing love. Settle an argument in your own mind. Take a small step forward.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Keep a logical focus at home. Assume responsibility to resolve a domestic matter. Ask probing questions. Keep watching for openings. Your partner contributes valuable data.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn**Bliss** By Harry Bliss**Bridge**

East-West vulnerable, North deals

North

♠ K 10 9 8 5
♥ A 6
♦ J 6 5 4
♣ J 10

East

♠ 6 4
♥ 8 5 2
♦ A 10 8
♣ A 7 6 4 3

West

♠ J

♥ J 10 9 7

♦ K 9 2

♣ K 9 8 5 2

South

♠ A Q 7 3 2

♥ K Q 4 3

♦ Q 7 3

♣ Q

The Drury convention, or a variation of it, has been popular for many years. It allows a player to open light in third or fourth position and stay at the two level even if partner has a good fit for his suit. In the Reverse Drury variation that is most common today, opener simply rebids his major over partner's two-club bid to show a sub-

minimum hand.

Declarer in today's deal had a good hand and was happy to jump to game.

South won the opening heart lead with dummy's ace and drew trump's ace by cashing the ace and king. A heart to his king was followed by the queen of hearts, on which declarer carefully discarded dummy's 10 of clubs. He ruffed his remaining heart in dummy and exited with dummy's jack of clubs.

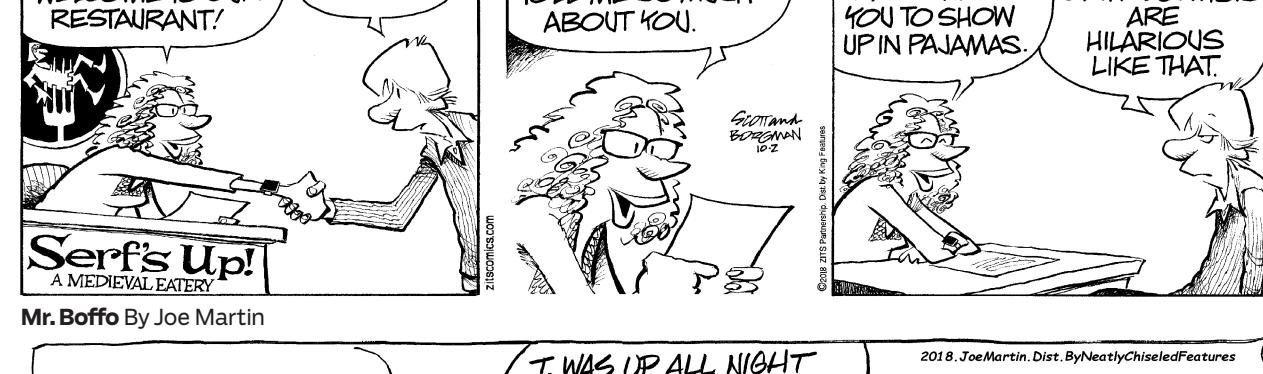
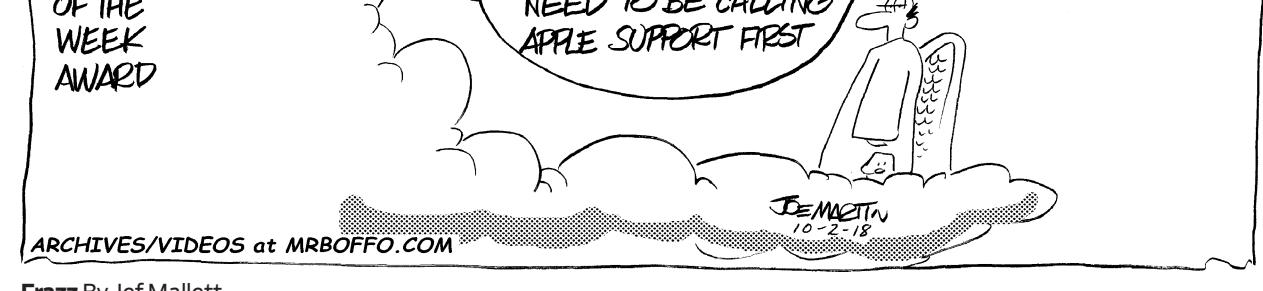
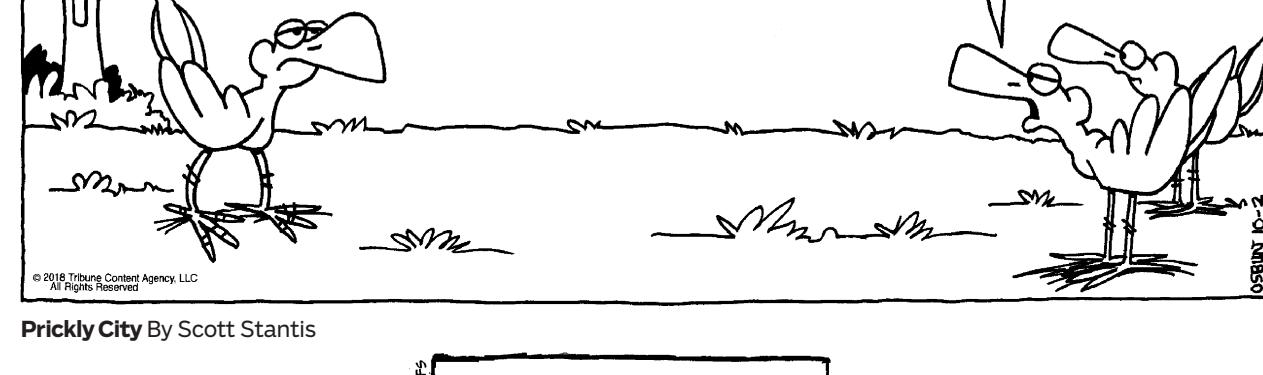
East rose with his ace, but there was no good continuation. Another club would yield a ruff-sluff, so East cashed his ace of diamonds and led another diamond. West won with his king, but declarer was able to claim the balance, losing only two diamonds and one club.

West's jack of hearts lead seems perfectly normal. After a different auction, where South, perhaps, had shown his heart suit, West might have chosen a different lead. There would have been no happy ending for declarer had West chosen to lead a club.

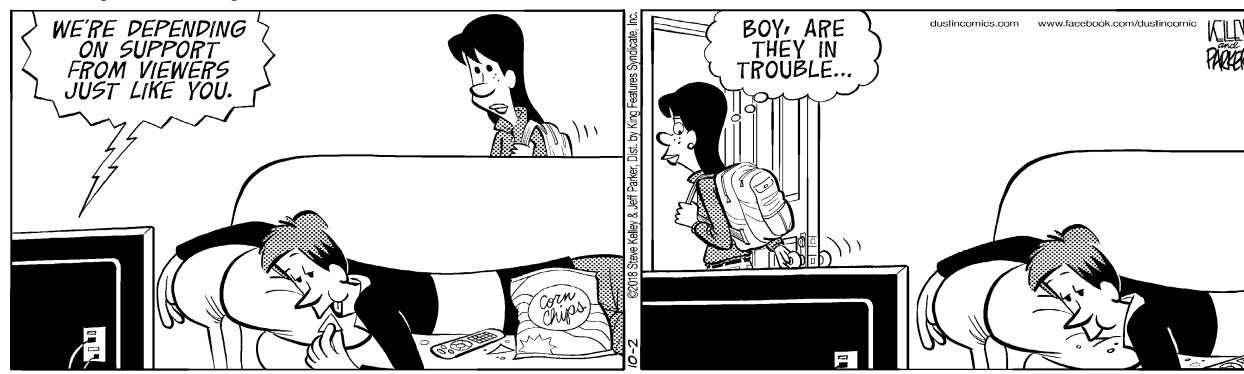
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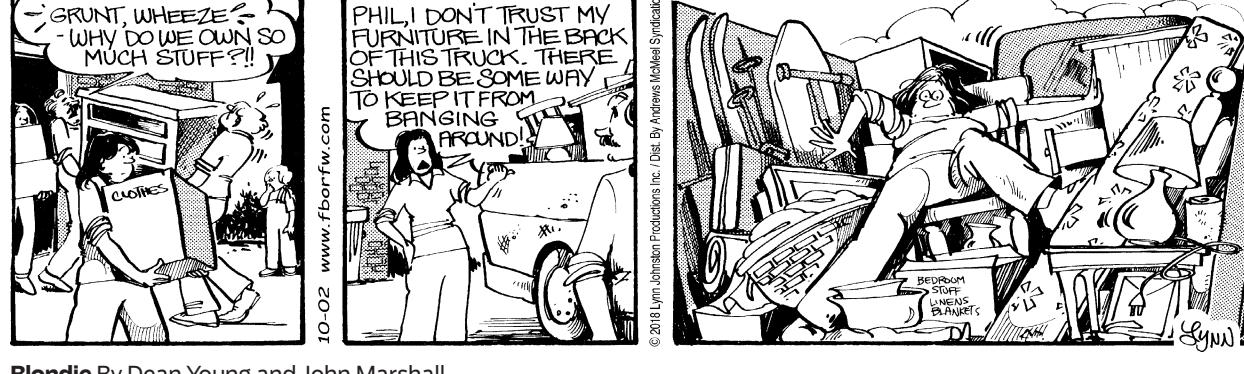
Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott (Baby Blues is on vacation until October 8. Please enjoy this strip from 2013.)

**Zits** By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman**Serf's Up!** By Joe Martin**Frazz** By Jef Mallett**Classic Peanuts** By Charles Schulz**Pickles** By Brian Crane**Dick Tracy** By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis**Animal Crackers** By Mike Osburn**Prickly City** By Scott Stantis

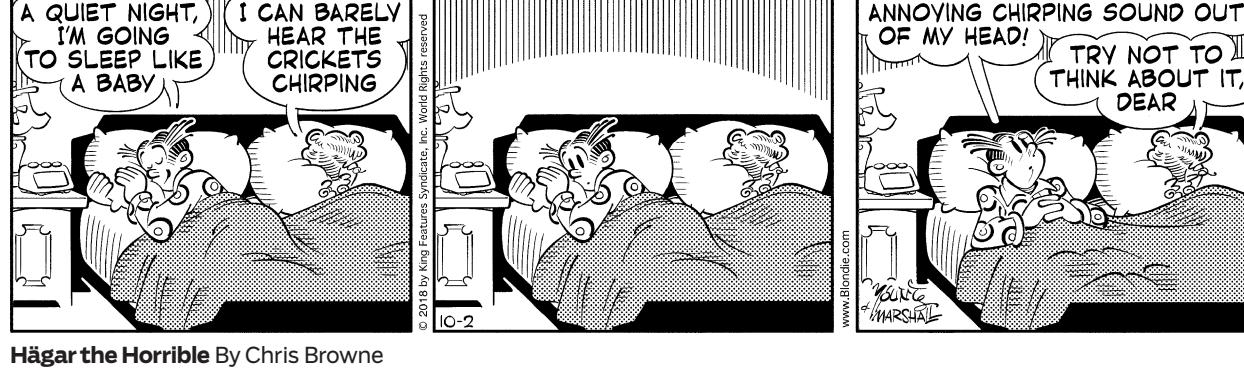
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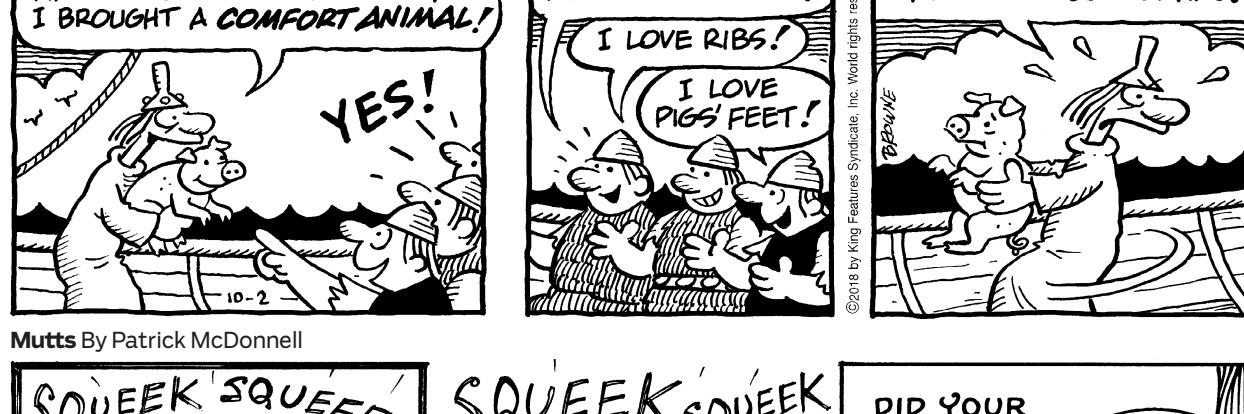
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Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne



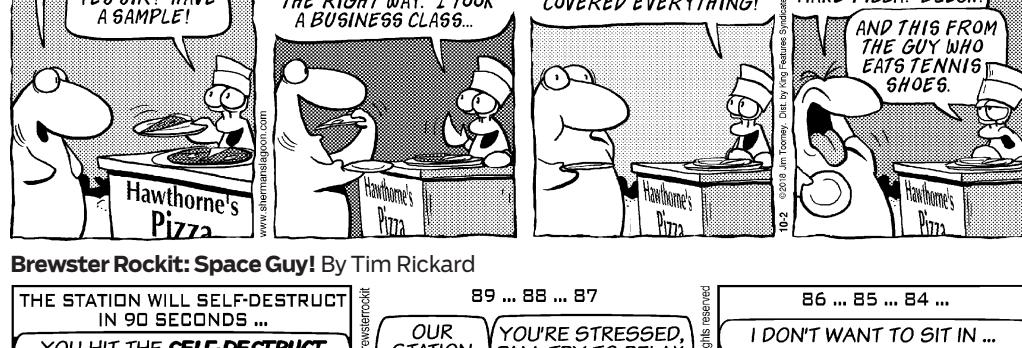
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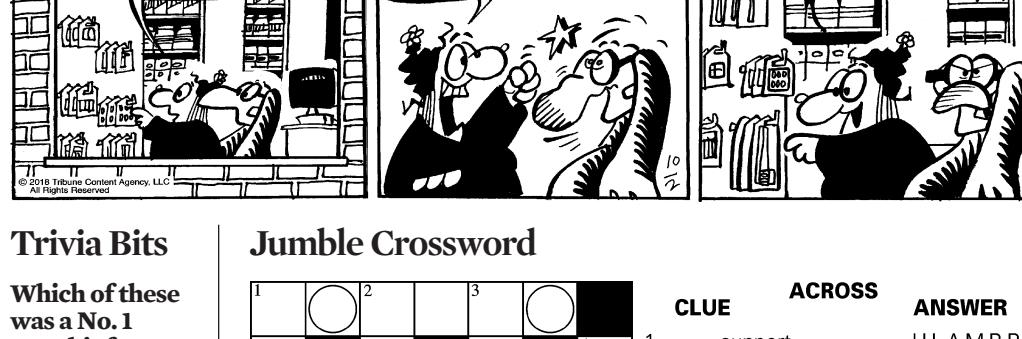
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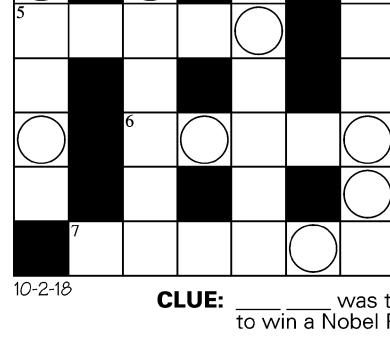
Which of these was a No. 1 R&B hit for The O'Jays in 1973?

A) "Love Train"
B) "Mystery Train"
C) "Night Train"
D) "Peace Train"

Monday's answer: As many as 20,000 bicycles are dredged from Amsterdam's canals each year.

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Jumble Crossword



ACROSS

1. support
5. Chamber
6. Picture
7. Building

ANSWER

ULAMBR
SMCUI
AGIEM
PRITEM

1. Flexible
2. Gigantic
3. Kudos
4. Undercover

DOWN

ANSWER

RIMLEB
SVMAESI
AICALMC
RVCOTE

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.

Across

- 1 Gulf States prince
5 Macy's competitor
10 Eucharist celebration
14 See 62-Across
15 Boise's state
16 Israeli airline
17 Tool for cutting stone and concrete
19 River of Cairo
20 Playing surface surrounded by boards
21 Access charge
23 Chinese menu promise
25 Garden digging, e.g.
26 Abandoned building, say
28 Jules who created the Nautilus
29 Form a union
30 Passé reception aid
34 Love personified
35 Richly upholstered seat
37 Nobel Peace Prize city
40 Toxic substance

Monday's solution



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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

10/2

4	5												7	6
		1	2											
3													2	
4													1	2
9													3	
7	2	3											5	
8													9	
5	7												4	3

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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1	7	3	4	8	2	9	6	5
2	8	5	6	9	3	1	7	4
9	6	4	1	5	7	3	2	8
7	1	6	5	4	8	2	9	3
5	3	8	7	2	9	6	4	1
4	2	9	3	1	6	5	8	7
8	9	1	2	3	4	7	5	6
3	4	7	9	6	5	8	1	2
6	5	2	8	7	1	4	3	9

Jumble

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

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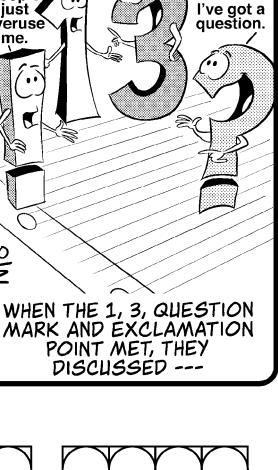
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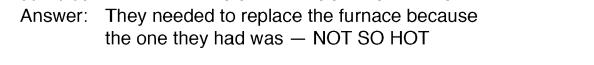
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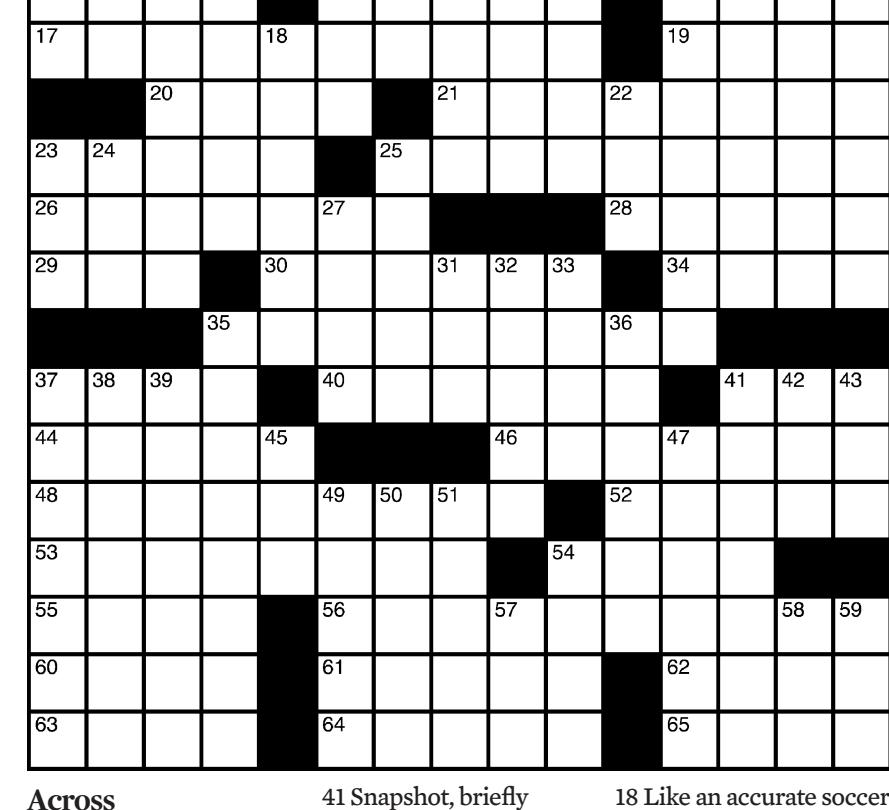


Monday's answers

Jumbles: HEFTY BOOTH SUMMON SPLINT
Answer: They needed to replace the furnace because the one they had was — NOT SO HOT

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Crossword



Across

- 41 Snapshot, briefly
44 "SNL" alum Cheri
46 Dancer Duncan
48 Prilosec target
52 Caught with a lasso
53 Old-fashioned printing machine
54 Champagne brand
55 Got on in years
56 Carry on the same way ... and what the ends of 17-, 25-, 35- and 48-Across do
60 — majesty: high treason
61 Diarist Nin
62 With 50-Down and 14-Across, fairy tale opening
63 Newspaper section with many reviews
64 Horizontal graph lines
65 Enthusiastic
- 18 Like an accurate soccer shot
22 Gun, as an engine
23 Just out
24 Santana's "Como Va"
25 — Croatian: Slavic language
27 Do another stint
31 Here, in Haiti
32 Twain/Harte play
33 Vientiane's country
35 Becomes rusted
36 Lined up
37 "C'est magnifique!"
38 "The Pawnbroker" actor Rod
39 Least fatty, as corned beef
41 Many a Top 40 song
42 Cork's country: Abbr.
43 Heel
45 Hairy Addams cousin
47 Is moderately successful
49 How some documents are sent
50 See 62-Across
51 Kick back
54 Forest floor plant
57 Golf ball position
58 Cocktail cooler
59 Down-for-the-count count

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