



Ex held in death of rage room founder

Chicago native had opened business in Dallas as stress outlet

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS
Chicago Tribune

Growing up on Chicago's South Side, Donna Alexander dreamed of creating a safe space for people to release anger and stress, in the hopes of quelling violence and unnecessary pain.

She opened Anger Room in Dallas in 2008, allowing clients to smash household objects to blow off steam, and the business was featured in a September episode of "The Real Housewives of Dallas."

But now Alexander is dead at age 36, allegedly at the hands of a former boyfriend, Nathaniel Mitchell — who had been in an on-and-off relationship with Alexander for years — has been charged with murder in connection with her Sept. 24 death, according to authorities. Mitchell, 34, is in custody at the jail in Tarrant County, Texas, in lieu of \$250,000 bond, officials said.

Alexander's sister, Lauren Armour, of Chicago's Bronzeville neighborhood, called the manner of death particularly tragic given Alexander's life's work.

"Donna's thing was, instead of people hurting people, why not let it out on objects so a life isn't lost, to keep people out of jail?" Armour said. "A therapeutic way to get the anger from inside of them and help to relieve stress."

Mitchell had taken Alexander to the emergency room with severe injuries on Sept. 21 but "staff believed his story was inconsistent with her injuries," according to a written statement by police in Grand Prairie, Texas.

Mitchell was first charged with aggravated assault, but the charge was upgraded to murder after Alexander died days later, according to police.

"No matter how much she tried to get away from it, he always ended up back in her life," Armour said. "She was talented, creative, loved peo-

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ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kettle Lockett walks her dog, Mocha, in Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood on Wednesday. Surveillance images of a suspect in two recent fatal shootings showed the shooter running past Lockett's home. She has lived in Rogers Park for 40 years.

Neighbors draw closer as Rogers Park on alert

In the 2 weeks since a still-at-large gunman shot 2 people in the head, community has created a web of support networks and safety precautions

BY ANNA SPOERRE
Chicago Tribune

It had been just days since someone inexplicably killed two people in Rogers Park, and the woman was looking for a neighbor to walk her from the Red Line stop — a daunting prospect for people now afraid to leave their homes.

So she posted her request on Rogers Park Safe Walk, a private Facebook group created since the killings. The group's founder, Max McKune, messaged back that he would be the one escorting her the five or six blocks to her home. He sent along a description of what he was wearing.

The woman was nervous,

"I'm not going to let anybody push me out of my lifestyle or my house."

— Kettle Lockett, Rogers Park resident

McKune recalled later, but happy to have someone with her. When they got to her block, they "shook hands and parted ways," he said.

"As much as people want to trust everyone in Rogers Park, trust is hard when violence is happening," explained McKune, a 22-year-old special education classroom assistant at Joyce Kilmer Elementary in the North Side neighborhood.

He is one of a handful of people using social media to help Rogers Park residents cope after 73-year-

old Douglass Watts was killed Sept. 30 while walking his dogs and 24-year-old Elijahu Moscovitz was shot dead Oct. 1 while walking on a lakefront bike path a few blocks away. The killings were about 36 hours apart and have been traced to the same gun.

Fueling fears is the vague description given by police, primarily from surveillance images from the first shooting: a man wearing all black and a mask that covered most of his face. He has a

distinctive walk, his feet splayed outward. Police say they are at a loss for a motive.

A web of support networks has sprung up on social media to connect neighbors, from safety escorts to new block clubs where neighbors share observations and advice.

Those looking for someone to walk with are discouraged from posting exactly when and where they want to meet someone to walk to the grocery store, for example. If someone responds online, the person making the request can then send a private message giving more detail.

Participants are encouraged to write "complete" on their origi-

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Woman accused in straw buys

Gun purchases made in Indiana allegedly for brother in gang

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

A Chicago woman is accused of buying an assault rifle and handguns at Indiana gun stores for her brother, a ranking street gang member who needed protection from rivals.

The rifle and one other weapon were later found in a bedroom closet in the Brighton Park neighborhood, where the Tribune has reported rival gangs increasingly using rifles in a bloody and escalating street war.

Monica Navejar, 31, was charged in a federal indictment last week with providing weapons to a felon and conspiracy to make false statements. The conspiracy count carries a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison.

Navejar is accused of acting as a straw purchaser for her brother — a felon and ranking member of the Satan Disciples

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NATION & WORLD



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Hurricane Michael's aftermath brings grim reality

Search-and-rescue teams began finding bodies in and around Mexico Beach, Fla., the ground-zero town nearly obliterated by Hurricane Michael, an official said Friday as the scale of the storm's impact became ever clearer. The death toll across the South stood at 13, not counting any victims in Mexico Beach. **Page 5**

Bears WR Miller cleared to return, eager to prove Chicago Sports

WOMEN'S MARCH

Organizers aim to tap into energy

Event puts focus on first-time voters

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS
Chicago Tribune

Charles Hammerslough plans to take part in Saturday's Women's March at Grant Park in Chicago and says he believes all men should join the crowd, because the event benefits them equally.

"Feminism is about freeing men from the wounds of gender expectations," said Hammerslough, 60, of Chicago's Andersonville neighborhood. "It is important for boys to attend so they can see women in their lives and society as powerful political actors. ... I participate so our society will someday be more inclusive and kind. That's for everyone."

Organizers say this march and rally, dubbed "March to the Polls 2018," is designed to honor first-time voters —

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CHRIS WALKER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt, chaplain for the Loyola men's basketball team, reacts to being presented the 2018 Senior Hall of Fame award Friday from the Illinois Department on Aging during a ceremony at Loyola's Corboy Law Center.

Loyola's Sister Jean, 99, inducted into state's Senior Hall of Fame

Coming off team's run to Final Four, chaplain eager for Ramblers' new season

By Dawn Rhodes
Chicago Tribune

Sister Jean can't wait for the season to start.

As chaplain of Loyola University's men's basketball team, the joyful nun catapulted to international superstardom as the squad stormed its way to the NCAA Final Four last spring, her popularity exploding via GIFs and memes of it are vivid, but she's ready to launch her 25th year as the spiritual and moral center of the team, and eager to talk shop about the players' chances when the season starts in November.

Owing to that and her more than seven decades in education, state leaders honored Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt on Friday by inducting her into Illinois' Senior Hall of Fame.

At 99 years old, she shows no signs of slowing down.

"I encourage senior citizens to forget about their age and just keep doing," she said in an interview. "The aging part doesn't bother me at all because that's where I am at this point. I hope other people my age and younger will continue to do everything they possibly can as long as they can to help other people."

Born in 1919, Sister Jean became a member of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1937. She spent the next 24 years working in elementary education as a teacher, coach and principal.

She moved on to the Catholic all-women's Mundelein College in 1961 serving in a variety of roles, including associate professor, dean and director of academic advising. When Mundelein merged with Loyola in 1992, Sister Jean was still working and took on academic advising at the Rogers Park Jesuit institution.

She was approached to become the men's basketball team chaplain in 1994 when her predecessor in the role retired.

In addition to that role, Sister Jean is involved in a scholarship program to benefit students in the U.S. without legal permission, as well as one matching students with residents of a nearby retirement community for companionship and assistance.

"She embodies Loyola's commitment to educate the whole person," acting Provost Margaret Callahan said.

Sister Jean is among four people to be added to the Senior Hall of Fame this year, established by the General Assembly in 1994 to recognize the contributions of Illinoisans over 65.

Illinois Senate President John Cullerton nominated her for the award, saying it was an obvious choice.

"She has opened doors to nontraditional students, worked to expand higher education for immigrants, united generations and served as a daily emissary and counselor to the greater student body, faculty, staff and neighborhood," Cullerton said. "Frankly, Sister Jean, I'm stunned no one has so far mentioned you for mayor."

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"Sister Jean represents all that is wonderful in life: faith, love of community, love of God, giving back to those most vulnerable among us."

— Gov. Bruce Rauner

community, love of God, giving back to those most vulnerable among us," Gov. Bruce Rauner said.

Not only does Sister Jean not want to scale back her work, but also she doesn't feel like she needs to.

"It seems to me we keep dropping the age of 'senior citizen' down to, like, 55 now. That's not old at all!" she said. "I feel fine except that my old bones are taking a little longer to heal than I expected. But I'm reconciled to the fact that it's going to take a little while."

For anyone planning to attend Loyola's opening exhibition game against Wichita State, she has some advice:

"You're going to have to come early because the Gentile (Arena) is going to be packed," she said. "We are delighted by how much joy and happiness that we have brought to the world, really. We hope to continue that."

"And of course I have to say, 'Go Ramblers!'"

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Dem: GOP campaign ad homophobic against him

Challenger to Cook County commissioner depicted as a puppet

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

A Democrat seeking to unseat Republican Cook County Commissioner Tim Schneider is accusing the state GOP of mailing out a homophobic campaign mailer, though Republican officials say it's only meant to call the challenger a political puppet.

The Illinois Republican Party denies that the mailer it sent opposing Democrat Kevin Morrison, who is challenging Schneider, is meant to be anything more than an illustration that Morrison is beholden to Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan and Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle.

The mailer depicts an extra-large Madigan crouching next to a comparatively tiny Morrison who's depicted as a puppet. The ad portrays Madigan animating the puppet version of Morrison

who is midpose with what appears to be a limp wrist.

Morrison countered by sending out a campaign fundraising mailer accusing Schneider of sending out an attack ad "picturing me with a 'limp wrist,' a bigoted caricature of gay people."

Schneider, a Bartlett Republican who is also chair of the Illinois Republican Party, referred questions to the party, which was responsible for the mailer.

Travis Sterling, executive director of the state GOP, said in an email that the entire image "paints the entire picture clearly."

"This is nothing but a desperate attempt from Kevin Morrison to try and hide the fact that he takes his orders from Toni Preckwinkle and Mike Madigan," Sterling said.

Asked about the positioning of the puppet's wrist, he said a puppet is just wood until its master moves it.

"In no way was that meant to imply anything else," Sterling said.

Morrison said he doesn't buy the party's explanation.

"Everybody knows a limp wrist is meant to be derogatory and an

attack on LGBTQ individuals," he said.

The LGBTQ Victory Fund, a Washington, D.C.-based group that supports LGBTQ candidates across the country, condemned the mailing as "a clear anti-gay dog whistle."

"Let me be clear: Tim Schneider and his team knew exactly what they were doing when they altered a photo of Kevin Morrison to show him with a limp wrist and on his tiptoes," said Annise Parker, the group's president and CEO, in a statement. "Schneider is taking a page from the playbook of his pal in the White House — engaging in the divisive and destructive politics that Donald Trump thrives on."

The Cook County Democratic Party, headed by Preckwinkle, has given Morrison \$155,948.

Schneider is considered vulnerable by Democrats, who say he's out of step with his constituents due to his support for Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner and President Donald Trump. Hillary Clinton won 57 percent of the vote in his northwest suburban district in the



ILLINOIS REPUBLICAN PARTY MAILER

A mailer from the Illinois Republican Party for Cook County Board Commissioner Tim Schneider shows state House Speaker Michael Madigan as a puppeteer controlling Schneider's challenger, Kevin Morrison.

2016 presidential election, compared with 37 percent for Trump.

Since winning the Republican primary for governor in March 2014, Rauner personally or through his campaign has given the Illinois Republican Party \$36.6 million of the \$54.3 million it has raised during that time period, state campaign finance reports show.

Schneider is betting that his opposition to tax hikes on the County Board will resonate with voters.

"Tim Schneider has never voted to raise your taxes," the controversial mailer says on its back.

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Sears received nearly \$250 million in tax breaks and incentives to locate its campus in Hoffman Estates three decades ago.

School district suing Sears

Claims it should get back millions in diverted tax money

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

In more bad news for Sears, a suburban school district is suing the once-mighty retail giant, saying the schools should get back some of the millions of dollars in diverted tax money because Sears has violated the agreement that brought its headquarters to Hoffman Estates.

Nearly 30 years ago, to lure Sears' home base from Sears Tower in Chicago and keep it in Illinois, the retailer received nearly \$250 million in tax breaks and incentives to move to its sprawling Hoffman Estates headquarters.

With that deal, much of the property tax revenue generated by Sears' head offices in Hoffman Estates went back into the development of the surrounding Prairie Stone Business Park, near the Jane Addams Tollway at Illinois Route 59.

When the deal was to expire in 2012, local taxing districts like Community Unit School District 300 were supposed to see the full benefit of the increased tax base, but instead Sears landed an extended deal with

the renewed threat of leaving the state.

"Sears again started scaring lawmakers with the possibility of large scale job losses in the area by threatening to move its headquarters out of Illinois," District 300 contends in the suit it filed against Sears and the village of Hoffman Estates.

The lawsuit says Sears and the village assured the school system that it would "experience substantial benefits with Sears' property in the village fully back on the tax rolls."

"Those assurances never materialized," the suit states.

In fact, the lawsuit contends, Sears has broken its part of the bargain because, after a series of layoffs and store closings, the Hoffman Estates headquarters is now providing fewer than the 4,250 jobs required by the economic development agreement.

District 300, with 21,000 students mostly in Algonquin and Carpentersville, filed suit Wednesday in Cook County.

Media reports indicated that Sears laid off 220 employees at its headquarters in January.

The suit cites a statement from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity that Sears fell below the jobs threshold required to qualify for the tax breaks. It also quotes a Sears spokesman saying the company fell below the

jobs floor.

The suit does not specify the amount of money it seeks from Sears but indicates it may be as much as all the tax breaks the company has received this year.

Sears spokesman Howard Riefs issued a brief statement about the suit and two of the tax break deals it references: "As we have stated numerous times over the years, the ... tax incentives are governed by unique statutes and have unique job requirements. This complaint is without merit."

But District 300 Superintendent Fred Heid said Hoffman Estates' agreement with Sears has also been a problem for the local schools.

The district gives up an estimated \$13 million a year in property tax revenue and gets only about \$3 million a year in money generated by the development area, which includes the Sears Centre arena, a Cabela's and other businesses. That's why the district sent busloads of students to Springfield to march and protest before the agreements were made.

"Our district was very much involved in fighting against it to ensure there were provisions to protect us and make sure we get a fair share," Heid said. "There should be a high level of accountability, and that wasn't the case."

District officials believe they are owed about \$29 million in past, unjustified tax breaks to Sears, with millions more being accumulated this year.

The school district receives about 60 percent of a property owner's tax bill, meaning other local taxing bodies presumably would be due tax refunds as well, district officials assert.

School officials are also seeking an audit of whether Sears met its obligations ever since the current tax incentive deals were made in 2012.

A representative for the village of Hoffman Estates could not immediately be reached.

Sears threatened legal action of its own when it battled the state last year over \$14.8 million in tax credits the retailer claimed it was owed in 2016 before it fell short of the employee minimum to be eligible for the incentive. That dispute was settled late last year with Sears getting the credits but agreeing not to seek them for 2017.

But Sears' woes have only deepened since, with a possible bankruptcy filing imminent.

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Ald. giving away \$20K from mayor

Sawyer to donate gift from Emanuel to community

BY JOHN BYRNE | Chicago Tribune

South Side Ald. Roderick Sawyer sought to distance himself Friday from outgoing Mayor Rahm Emanuel's parting gift of \$20,000 to his campaign fund, announcing that he would distribute the money to community organizations instead of using it to help fund his re-election run.

Emanuel handed out more than \$500,000 in \$20,000 increments to more than two dozen City Council allies Wednesday, the checks made out to the aldermen's political campaign funds. The mayor told those he invited to the downtown breakfast that he appreciated them helping him make tough decisions for the city, before surprising them with the contributions, Sawyer said.

"The mayor invited me, along with a lot of others, there to say thank you for that interaction," Sawyer said at a news conference at a Chatham restaurant. "And unbeknownst to me, and I think unbeknownst to everybody there, the mayor proceeded to state 'As you leave out, we have something for you.' And there were checks for \$20,000."

Sawyer seems likely to win a third term representing the 6th Ward, and noted he doesn't face as tough a re-election fight as some of his colleagues who also got checks and might want to use the mayoral windfall to buy mailers or other campaign advertising to stave off challengers who will try to tie them to Emanuel's policies.

But he also acknowledged financial support from Emanuel might not be politically helpful to aldermen in parts of the city where the mayor is deeply unpopular.

"It's a political challenge, obviously," he said. "I'm a person that's a student of politics, and I understand the optics."

Sawyer, who chairs the City Council Black Caucus, will cut \$2,000 checks to each of 10 community organizations, groups working on anti-violence initiatives and job training programs in the ward. And he wondered if other council members who got the checks would follow his lead.

"It's no ill intent, I think the mayor would be happy I've done this with the money, quite honestly," Sawyer said. "Actually ... a lot of my colleagues should follow suit, and do some great things with those real boots-on-the-ground organizations in their individual areas that we should really be funding."

Emanuel has promised "no friend gets left on the field" when he leaves office after this term, pledging to be helpful to those aldermen who backed his agenda.

Emanuel is set to give his 2019 budget address next week.

And while the election-year spending package promises to be one of the easiest of his two terms after massive tax and fee increases in prior years, a mayor adviser told the Tribune that he will touch on the support he has gotten from some members of the council in passing politically difficult ordinances in the past.

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Lombard man jailed on seventh DUI charge

BY CLIFFORD WARD
Chicago Tribune

A Lombard man with a history of drunken driving convictions remained in DuPage County Jail on Friday after he was charged with aggravated DUI following a crash this week that was allegedly alcohol-related.

Steven Tresnak, 55, of the 300 block of South Westmore Road, was ordered held in lieu of \$200,000 bail following his arrest Tuesday night for DUI, according to DuPage prose-

cutors.

It is the seventh DUI arrest for Tresnak since 1984, according to state records.

Lombard police say they were called about 6:50 p.m. Tuesday to the intersection of Westmore-Meyers and St. Charles roads for a report of an accident. Tresnak struck two other vehicles with his car before stopping at a nearby fast-food restaurant, police said.

Once there, Tresnak and his



Tresnak

passenger allegedly switched seats. Police took him into custody. Tresnak reportedly had a blood alcohol level of 0.20, more than double the legal limit, prosecutors said. No one was injured in the collisions, authorities said.

According to records from the Illinois secretary of state's office, Tresnak has six previous DUI arrests — two each in 1984 and in 2007, and one each in 1989 and 1990. He received supervision on his first arrest,

but the succeeding cases resulted in convictions, according to state records.

Most of the arrests took place in Kane and DuPage counties, and Tresnak has had his driving privileges suspended or revoked on five previous occasions, according to state records.

The latest arrest is a class X felony, which means Tresnak could face a 6- to 30-year prison sentence if he is found guilty. He is scheduled to appear Nov. 11 for arraignment.

Clifford Ward is a freelancer.

Neighbors ramping up safety effort

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nal post after safely arriving at their destination to add a layer of accountability.

McKune said he modeled the walking group after one he set up for students at St. Olaf College in Minnesota. He noticed the Rogers Park Neighborhood News Facebook page, with nearly 8,000 members, was flooded with requests for walking partners.

McKune said he approved 200 members to his group in the first two days.

Jason Saini, 45, also noticed the postings seeking neighbors for company. His solution was establishing the Pratt/Farwell/Morse Block Club to “bring something positive out of tragedy.”

One person posted a link on the club’s Facebook page for buying pepper spray, another wrote about meeting to walk dogs. Others simply shared observations of what the neighborhood was like during their walks in the days following the shootings, including a picture of the words “killing is rude” spray-painted in red on one of the sidewalks.

Before the shooting, Saini said, people often walked down the street with their eyes on their phones and headphones in their ears. Now people are more vigilant, keeping their heads up and holding eye contact with passers-by, he said. They may offer a warm smile and say hello.

“People just appear to be connecting more,” said Saini, who helps manage car restoration projects. “It’s changed the dynamics of walking down the street in a really positive way.”

He was surprised at such a sudden positive change on the



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

streets when people are so shaken and nervous. “I didn’t really see it coming, but it makes sense retrospectively,” he said. “Going out and helping others felt like we were both safer for it.”

His block club has 214 members — 50 showed up at the first two meetings. “I’ve learned that my neighbors are a much more diverse group, in not just ethnicity or social or economic circles, but just such a wide range of professionals and talent,” Saini said.

While he imagines people will inevitably go back to their old routines, he thinks this shift in awareness can still fundamentally change the neighborhood. That’s why he intends to keep his block club going, organizing social events and giving his neighbors a platform to voice concerns.

Fallon Sowers, 35, lives on the block where Watts was killed. She started the Sherwin Block Club the day after the shooting to turn her fear into action by uniting her neighbors.

Sowers said she was overwhelmed by the turnout at the first block meeting on Monday — at least 45 people.

“I saw how real it was,” she said of her neighbors’ fears. “I could see it in people’s faces last night.”

Sowers, a licensed clinical social worker at a mental health nonprofit in Evanston, said people were concerned about the mental health of their community, particularly among those who had seen Watts’ body on the sidewalk.

Now she is coordinating help for those experiencing trauma. “If anything, it’s kind of opened me up more to want to talk more to my neighbors who were perhaps strangers before.”

Not far from Sowers’ block, Kettle Lockett, 62, strolled down Touhy Avenue on Wednesday morning as she accompanied her niece to school, her Shih Tzu named Mocha trotting along beside.

The trees along the sidewalk were beginning to turn but the air was still warm. Lockett

exchanged pleasantries and smiles with those passing by. Rogers Park has been her home for 40 years.

Her cellphone went off. As Lockett rummaged through her jacket, her driver’s license fell out of her pocket. She has recently started carrying it on all her walks, she explained matter-of-factly, just in case police need to identify her body.

That’s how life is now, she said: Anyone could be next.

The first shooting happened near the condo she owns. Surveillance recordings of the suspect show the shooter running past her apartment. She had been home the day it happened and was terrified the killer might have hidden in her basement.

Still, Lockett said she and her large extended family have not considered leaving Rogers Park. “I’m not going to let anybody push me out of my lifestyle or my house.”

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Man held in death of rage room founder

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ple and loved them hard. Despite how ugly a person might be, she loved them hard.”

Alexander grew up near the White Sox ballpark and attended Dunbar Vocational Career Academy, her sister said. She moved to the Dallas area as a young adult, and at first tested her business model by allowing friends and family to bash household items for \$5 in her garage.



Mitchell

In an interview with the Tribune about her business just a few weeks before her death, Alexander said her inspiration for Anger Room came from growing up in Chicago and seeing people go to jail for behaviors like punching holes in a wall.

“We’re all born with anger,” Alexander told the Tribune. “I just figured it was an alternative, a way to get rid of anger.”

In recent years, similar businesses have been popping up across the country. In 2017, Rage Room opened in the River North neighborhood, where patrons pay to hit television sets and old printers with baseball bats and crowbars, or smash dishes against a wall.

Before her death, Alexander was planning to expand to another location in Kentucky.

“I think it’s a primal instinct we have,” Alexander had told the Tribune. “Afterward, it’s like a weight has been lifted.”

Armour said Alexander loved raising her young son and daughter, helped make clothes for kids in need, and donated food and hygiene products to homeless people.

Burial and funeral arrangements were pending, according to family members.

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Women’s March organizers eye surge in energy, power

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young people and immigrants in particular — who will lead the parade of attendees and have a chance to cast ballots at early voting sites downtown. This is the third local event of its kind. While organizers haven’t made any crowd predictions, previous Women’s Marches have flooded downtown.

The first rally unexpectedly drew a quarter-million women and supporters in January 2017, following the inauguration of President Donald Trump. Then the second Women’s March exceeded that with an estimated 300,000 participants last January, amid the #MeToo and Time’s Up movements against sexual harassment and assault. Those marches were held in concert with similar events across the globe, while Saturday’s march is a local event.

Sara Kurensky, outreach coordinator for Women’s March Chicago, said she believes the march will bring people together so they can “feel the power and energy that comes from not being alone.”

She hopes marchers will wake up the next morning “and re-engage, so they will vote in large numbers and continue to fight against the death of what is decent in our country,” Kurensky said.

Kaitlyn Hwang attended the previous two marches and predic-



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ts the crowd will swell again this time — but if it doesn’t, she believes “it is not because of lack of interest.” She added that many supporters are busy canvassing and phone-banking, or doing political work in their communities in preparation for the Nov. 6 midterm election.

“The Women’s March is not a one-day event,” said Hwang, who owns the small business Art Deconstructed. “It is a movement and a reminder that there is hope. It is not easy to get up every day and have unwavering passion to fight for (women’s) equality and rights. I show up when other women can’t. They do the same when I can’t.”

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Women’s March Chicago

Event schedule: At 9 a.m. Saturday, the rally area and Voter Village will open at Grant Park. At 10 a.m. activities on the main stage begin, including a lineup of speakers and performances from Chicago-area artists Ric Wilson, FM Supreme and Evie the Cool. At 12:30 p.m. the march to Federal Plaza begins. From there, those interested in voting will split off to early voting sites for Chicago (175 W. Washington St.) and suburban Cook County (69 W. Washington St.), which will be open until 5 p.m.

Street closings: From 9 p.m. Friday to 6 p.m. Saturday, the following streets will be closed: Columbus Drive from Monroe Street to Balbo Drive; Jackson Boulevard from Lake Shore Drive to Michigan Avenue; and Congress Parkway from Columbus to Michigan. Michigan Avenue will be closed from Randolph Street to Congress Parkway once the march steps off. City officials say additional street closures may be necessary to ensure public safety.

March route: From Grant Park, participants will march west on Jackson Boulevard to Dearborn Street and north on Dearborn to Federal Plaza. Marchers are expected to disband at Jackson and Dearborn, according to the city’s Office of Emergency Management and Communications.

Where to go: Attendees can enter the rally area on Columbus Drive at either Congress Parkway or Balbo Drive. An accessible entrance is available at Columbus and Monroe Street.

Speakers: Melissa DuPrey, Chicago actor and emcee for the rally; historian and activist Barbara Ransby; Heather Booth, activist and founder of the Jane Collective, a Chicago underground abortion clinic service in operation from 1969 until the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision; Adrienne Lever, political director of Swing Left, a grassroots organization focused on flipping GOP House seats in the midterms; Tichina Haywood, member of the Service Employees International Union and first-time voter; and Amani Johnson, co-founder of BRAVE, St. Sabina Church’s youth-led anti-violence movement.

Security: The Chicago Police Department will have several hundred uniformed officers deployed to the area and several dozen plainclothes officers in the crowd, which is typical of a large-scale event of this kind “just for that added public safety reassurance,” said department spokesman Anthony Guglielmi. Previous marches have been peaceful and without incident.

Pole markings: Pole markers are attached to light poles throughout Grant Park; in the event of an emergency, 911 callers can report the letter/number on the sign posted on the pole nearest to the location of the incident. These location numbers can also help alert family and friends of a marcher’s location if separated during the event.

Public transportation: The Chicago Transit Authority is providing longer trains on the Brown Line and extra service on the Red Line for the event.

Ride services: Drop-off locations for Uber, Lyft and other ride-share services will be along Wabash Avenue and the pickup location will be at Franklin and Van Buren streets. Drop-offs and pickups are not allowed on Lake Shore Drive, according to city officials.

For more information on the event, go to womensmarchchicago.org.

Chicago woman accused in gun buys

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— buying three weapons at stores in northwest Indiana between 2015 and 2017, according to the charges.

During one of the purchases, Navejar’s brother, who is identified in court records only as Individual A, accompanied her to a gun store in Gary and pointed out a black Omni Hybrid 5.56 mm rifle he wanted, according to a criminal complaint filed against Navejar.

Navejar bought the gun for about \$700, stating on a federal form that she was purchasing the weapon for herself when in fact it was for “a known felon and active gang member,” the complaint states.

On Sept. 4, 2016, Chicago police and agents with the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives executed a search warrant at an apartment Navejar shared with her brother on West 43rd Street, according to the charges.

They found the Omni rifle and a .22-caliber pistol in a bedroom closet, along with ammunition and empty packaging for a .380-caliber pistol that had been bought in Hammond in 2015, the complaint alleges.

Navejar first tried to claim the guns were hers, but when agents asked her if she knew what type of ammunition they used and how to load them, she conceded she did not, according to the complaint.

She then tried to say she bought the guns because her boyfriend was a gun enthusiast and she wanted to go shooting with him, according to the complaint. When agents contacted her boyfriend, however, he said he’d dated Navejar only occasionally and knew nothing about the guns.

When agents returned to Navejar’s apartment later that day and told her what they’d learned, she “started to cry and stated she was sorry,” the complaint alleges.

Navejar acknowledged

that her brother had come to her in November 2015 and asked her to buy guns for him. She knew at the time he “was a ranking member of the Satan Disciple street gang and that people were trying to kill him based on his ‘gang-banging’ activities,” the complaint states.

Navejar is free on bond and scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday at the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse. Her brother has not been charged.

In Brighton Park and neighboring areas, federal agents have teamed with Chicago police to investigate gang-related rifle shootings that have become more common in recent years. The Tribune has reported that more than 140 people were shot — 50 of them fatally — from fall 2016 to the end of 2017 by gang members wielding rifles as their use spread across the South and Southwest sides.

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Grim reality as death toll rises

Search teams find even more bodies in Panhandle town

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MEXICO BEACH, Fla. — Search and rescue teams began finding bodies in and around Mexico Beach, the ground-zero town nearly obliterated by Hurricane Michael, an official said Friday as the scale of the storm's fury became ever clearer.

But he gave no details on the number of dead.

The death toll across the South stood at 13, not counting any victims in Mexico Beach.

Miami Fire Chief Joseph Zahralban, leader of a search-and-rescue unit that went into the flattened town, said: "There are individuals who are deceased. We do not have a count, but we are working to identify them."

Zahralban spoke as his team — which included a dog — was winding down its two-day search of Mexico Beach, the town of about 1,000 people that was nearly wiped off the map when Michael blew ashore there Wednesday with devastating 155 mph winds.

Blocks and blocks of homes were demolished, reduced to splintered lumber or mere concrete slabs by the most powerful hurricane to hit the continental U.S. in decades.

As the catastrophic damage across the Florida Panhandle came into view 48 hours after the hurricane struck, there was little doubt the death toll would rise.



DAVID GOLDMAN/AP

Brandy Jessen climbs over debris while retrieving her parents' belongings Friday in Mexico Beach, Fla., in the storm's wake.

How high it might go was unclear. But authorities scrapped plans to set up a temporary morgue, suggesting they had yet to see mass casualties.

State officials said that by one count, 285 people in Mexico Beach defied mandatory evacuation orders and stayed behind. Whether any of them got out at some point was unclear.

Emergency officials said they have received thousands of calls asking about missing people. But with cellphone service out across vast swaths of the Florida Panhandle, officials said it is possible that some of those unaccounted for are safe and just haven't been able to contact friends or family.

Florida emergency officials said they have rescued nearly 200 people and

checked 25,000 structures since Michael battered the state.

In a briefing at the state emergency operations center in Tallahassee on Friday, authorities said they had wrapped up their initial rapid searches and had begun more-intense searches including inspecting collapsed buildings.

The officials say they've completed 40 percent of these "secondary" searches and hope to finish up during daylight hours Saturday.

Across the ravaged region, meanwhile, authorities set up distribution centers to hand out food and water to victims. Some supplies were brought in by trucks, while others had to be delivered by helicopter because of debris still blocking roads.

Residents began to come

to grips with the destruction and face up to the uncertainty that lies ahead.

"I didn't recognize nothing. Everything's gone. I didn't even know our road was our road," said 25-year-old Tiffany Marie Plushnik, an evacuee who returned to find her home in Sandy Creek too damaged to live in.

When she went back to the hotel where she took shelter from the storm, she found out she could no longer stay there either because of mold. "We've got to figure something out. We're starting from scratch, all of us," Plushnik said.

President Donald Trump announced plans to visit Florida and hard-hit Georgia next week but didn't say what day he would arrive.

"We are with you!" he tweeted.

Shell-shocked survivors who barely escaped with their lives told of terrifying winds, surging floodwaters and homes cracking apart.

Emergency officials said they had completed an initial "hasty search" of the stricken area, looking for the living or the dead, and were now launching more careful inspections of ruined buildings.

Gov. Rick Scott said state officials still "do not know enough" about the fate of those who stayed behind in the region.

"We are not completely done. We are still getting down there," the governor added.

Federal Emergency Management Agency chief Brock Long said he expects to see the death toll rise.

"We still haven't gotten into the hardest-hit areas,"

he said, adding with frustration: "Very few people live to tell what it's like to experience storm surge, and unfortunately in this country we seem to not learn the lesson."

Long expressed worry that people have suffered "hurricane amnesia."

"When state and local officials tell you to get out, dang it, do it. Get out," he said.

On the Panhandle, Tyndall Air Force Base "took a beating," so much so that Col. Brian Laidlaw told the 3,600 men and women stationed on the base not to come back. Many of the 600 families who live there had followed orders to pack what they could in a single suitcase as they were evacuated ahead of the storm.

The hurricane's eyewall passed directly overhead, severely damaging nearly every building and leaving many a complete loss. The elementary school, the flight line, the marina and the runways were devastated.

"I will not recall you and your families until we can guarantee your safety. At this time I can't tell you how long that will take, but I'm on it," Laidlaw wrote. "We need to restore basic utilities, clear our roads of trees and power lines, and assess the structural integrity of our buildings."

Meanwhile, after moving offshore in recent weeks, a toxic algae bloom has returned to the beaches of the Tampa area, blown in from Michael.

Measurements posted by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission on its red tide website showed high concentrations off Pinellas County.



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American pastor Andrew Brunson arrives at the Izmir International Airport to depart from Turkey for the United States. A Turkish court convicted him on a terrorism charge.

Turkey convicts U.S. pastor, then frees him

American was held 2 years on charges of aiding groups

BY ZEYNEP BILGINSOY
Associated Press

IZMIR, Turkey — A Turkish court on Friday convicted an American pastor of terror links but released him from house arrest and allowed him to leave the country, removing a major irritant in fraught ties between two NATO allies that still disagree on a host of other issues.

The court near the western city of Izmir sentenced North Carolina native Andrew Brunson to just over three years in prison for allegedly helping terror groups, but let him go because the 50-year-old evangelical pastor had already spent nearly two years in detention. An earlier charge of espionage was dropped.

Hours later, Brunson was transported to Izmir's airport and was flown out of Turkey, where he had lived for two decades. He was expected to be flown to the U.S. military hospital in

Landstuhl, Germany.

"I love Jesus. I love Turkey," an emotional Brunson, who had maintained he was innocent of all charges, told the court during Friday's hearing. He tearfully hugged his wife Norine Lyn as he awaited the court decision.

"PASTOR BRUNSON JUST RELEASED. WILL BE HOME SOON!" U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted after the American was driven out of a Turkish prison in a convoy. Later, after Brunson was airborne, Trump told reporters the pastor had "suffered greatly" but was in "very good shape," and that he would meet with him at the Oval Office on Saturday.

Brunson's release was a diplomatic triumph for Trump, who is counting on the support of evangelical Christians for Republican candidates ahead of congressional elections in November.

It could also benefit Turkey, allowing the government to focus on an escalating diplomatic crisis over Jamal Khashoggi, a Saudi contributor to The Washington Post who went miss-

ing more than a week ago and is feared dead after entering the Saudi consulate in Istanbul. Turkish officials suspect Khashoggi was killed in the consulate; Saudi officials deny it.

Additionally, Turkey could now hope that the U.S. will lift tariffs on Turkish steel and aluminum imports, injecting some confidence into an economy rattled by high inflation and a mountain of foreign currency debt.

Friday's ruling followed witness testimony that seemed to partly undermine the prosecutor's allegations and highlighted concerns that Turkey had been using the U.S. citizen as diplomatic leverage. Turkey bristled at suggestions that its judicial system is a foreign policy instrument, and has accused the U.S. of trying to bend Turkish courts to its will with tariffs in August that helped to send the Turkish currency into freefall.

Brunson's release doesn't resolve disagreements over U.S. support for Kurdish fighters in Syria, as well as a plan by Turkey to buy Russian missiles.

Journalist's disappearance testing Trump-Saudi ties

President says he'll raise issue with King Salman

BY DEB RIECHMANN
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House relationship with Riyadh is imperiled over the mysterious disappearance of a Saudi writer, and the situation is creating friction between the Trump administration and members of Congress demanding to know if the columnist for The Washington Post was killed inside the Saudi Consulate in Turkey.

Trump said he has talked to officials at the highest level of the kingdom and is "demanding everything" to explain how Jamal Khashoggi, an activist who had been critical of Saudi leaders, vanished after he walked into the consulate in Istanbul to get documents he needed to get married.

Turkish authorities claim Khashoggi, who resided in the United States, was killed by members of an elite Saudi "assassination squad."

The Washington Post reported that the Turkish government has told U.S. officials that it has audio and video recordings that prove Khashoggi was killed inside the Saudi Consulate this month, according to U.S. and Turkish officials.

The recordings show that a Saudi security team detained Khashoggi in the consulate after he walked in on Oct. 2, then killed him and dismembered his body, the officials said.

The audio recording provides some of the most persuasive and gruesome evidence that the Saudi team is responsible for Khashoggi's death, the officials said.

"The voice recording from inside the embassy



EVAN VUCCI/AP

President Donald Trump listens to a question about missing Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi after landing in Ohio.

lays out what happened to Jamal after he entered," said one person with knowledge of the recording who, like others, spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss highly sensitive intelligence.

"You can hear his voice and the voices of men speaking Arabic," this person said. "You can hear how he was interrogated, tortured and then murdered."

The kingdom describes the allegation as "baseless." But if Saudi Arabia is found to be complicit in his disappearance or death, the warm U.S.-Saudi relationship — and even hopes for Middle East peace — could be upended.

A senior administration official said Friday that the U.S. is in ongoing contact with Turkish and Saudi officials about the case.

Trump said Friday he would bring up the matter with King Salman.

The U.S. believes it is essential that Turkish authorities — with full, transparent support from the Saudi government — are able to conduct a thorough investigation and officially release the results, the official said.

The administration official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the U.S. supports Turkish investigators' efforts, will not prejudge the outcome of the official investigation,

but stands ready to assist.

Trump said Thursday the U.S. had "investigators over there and we're working with Turkey" and Saudi Arabia. But he has provided no details.

Trump has backed Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's ambitious campaign to modernize the conservative kingdom and its economy. Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, who exchanges phone and text messages with the crown prince, was instrumental in last year's deal to sell \$110 billion in U.S. weapons to the kingdom.

But even before Khashoggi vanished, concerns were mounting in Congress over Saudi Arabia's policies and the crown prince's steps to silence his critics. And now there are calls on Capitol Hill for the U.S. to halt arms sales to the kingdom, and Khashoggi's disappearance could galvanize more opposition from lawmakers and pressure Trump to rethink his relations with Saudi Arabia.

Trump on Thursday pronounced U.S. relations with Saudi Arabia "excellent" and said he doesn't want to scuttle arms deals with Riyadh because it means tens of millions of dollars pouring into the U.S. economy. He said the kingdom would simply buy the weapons from Russia or China instead.

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Pentagon reveals cyber breach of military, civilian travel data

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon on Friday said there has been a cyber breach of Defense Department travel records that compromised the personal information and credit card data of U.S. military and civilian personnel.

A U.S. official familiar with the matter said the breach may have affected 30,000 workers, but that number may grow as the investigation continues. The breach could have happened some months

ago but was only recently discovered.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that no classified information was compromised.

A cyber team informed leaders about the breach Oct. 4, according to a Pentagon statement.

Lt. Col. Joseph Buccino, a Pentagon spokesman, said the department is still gathering information on the size and scope of the hack and who did it.

Hundreds pay respects to slain Bulgarian journalist at funeral

SOFIA, Bulgaria — Hundreds of relatives, friends and colleagues of slain Bulgarian journalist Viktoria Marinova said their goodbyes at a funeral Friday in her hometown, just after German police announced that a suspect has acknowledged attacking her.

People lined up at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in the northern border town of Ruse to pay tribute and lay flowers at the coffin of

the 30-year old, whose body was found Saturday in a park near the Danube River.

Marinova is survived by a 7-year-old daughter.

Bulgarian prosecutors have identified the suspect as Severin Krassimirov, 21. He has been charged in absentia for Marinova's rape and killing and Bulgaria has sought his extradition from Germany, where he was arrested on an international warrant.

First lady says she loves Trump, ignores allegations of cheating

WASHINGTON — First lady Melania Trump says she loves President Donald Trump and has "much more important things to think about" than allegations he cheated on her with a porn star, a Playboy Playmate or anyone else.

Mrs. Trump, who was interviewed by ABC last week, said people are just spreading rumors about her marriage. "I know people like to speculate

and media like to speculate about our marriage and circulate the gossip," she said.

Porn star Stormy Daniels and ex-Playboy Playmate Karen McDougal have said they had sex with him years ago. Trump has denied the trysts with Daniels and McDougal but has acknowledged reimbursing his lawyer for a \$130,000 hush money payment made to Daniels.



ADEL HANA/AP

Protesters sling stones toward Israeli troops Friday near the fence of the Gaza border.

Israeli forces kill 6 Palestinians in Gaza protests, officials say

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli forces shot and killed six Palestinians on Friday, four of them in a single incident, in one of the deadliest days in months of mass protests along the security fence separating Gaza and Israel, Gaza's Health Ministry said.

The ministry said four were killed in one location, where the Israeli military said it opened fire on a crowd of Palestinians who breached the fence and approached an army post.

No Israeli troops were harmed, the army added.

Two other Palestinians

were killed in other protest locations, the ministry said, adding that at least 140 Palestinians were wounded by live bullets.

The Israeli military said 14,000 Palestinians gathered at the border fence areas, burning tires and throwing rocks, firebombs and grenades at soldiers stationed atop earth mounds on the other side of the barrier.

Since March, Hamas has orchestrated near-weekly protests along the fence, pressing for an end to a stifling Israel-Egyptian blockade imposed since the militant group wrested

control of Gaza in 2007.

Hamas' chief, Ismail Haniyeh, who attended a protest in east Gaza City, said that "the determination of the Palestinian people will break the siege."

More than 150 Palestinians participating in or present at the marches have been killed since they began.

In May, about 60 protesters were killed in a single day, making it one of the deadliest since a 2014 war between the two sides.

The blockade has restricted Hamas' ability to govern and plagued most of Gaza's 2 million residents.

Red Cross says mudslides kill at least 34 in east Uganda

KAMPALA, Uganda — At least 34 people died in mudslides triggered by torrential rains in a mountainous area of eastern Uganda that is prone to such disasters, a Red Cross official said Friday.

More victims were likely to be discovered when rescue teams access all the affected areas in the foothills of Mount Elgon, said Red Cross spokeswoman Irene Nakasiita.

People were killed by boulders and chunks of mud rolling down hills following a sustained period of heavy rains Thursday in the district of Bududa. Houses were destroyed in three villages, and in some cases only body parts have been recovered, she said.

"We expect the death toll to increase as some people are still missing," she said.

In March 2010 at least 100 people died in similar mudslides in Bududa.

In Congo: The African country is reporting five new confirmed Ebola deaths in its latest outbreak, while a worker with the United Nations peacekeeping mission is among several new cases under treatment. Congo's health ministry says the number of confirmed Ebola cases is now 170, including 95 deaths.

Croc kills ranger gathering mussels in Australia

DARWIN, Australia — A wildlife ranger was killed by a crocodile Friday in Australia's Northern Territory while gathering mussels with her family in a waterhole, police said.

The indigenous woman was attacked in a remote area 128 miles southwest of the community of Yirrkala,

NT WorkSafe said. The employment safety watchdog said it was investigating.

Her body was recovered hours later about a half-mile from where she was taken by the crocodile, Northern Territory Police Commander Tony Fuller said. Local wildlife rangers

killed the crocodile.

Fuller said the woman had been in waist-deep water when she was taken.

The last fatal crocodile attack in Australia was last year when a dementia patient, 79, was killed after wandering from a nursing home at Port Douglas in Queensland state.

Toyota recall: Toyota is recalling more than 168,000 pickups, SUVs and cars because the air bags may not inflate in a crash. The recall covers 2018 and 2019 Tundra pickups, Sequoia SUVs and 2019 Avalon sedans. Toyota will notify owners and dealers will update the software. The recall is expected to begin Oct. 22.

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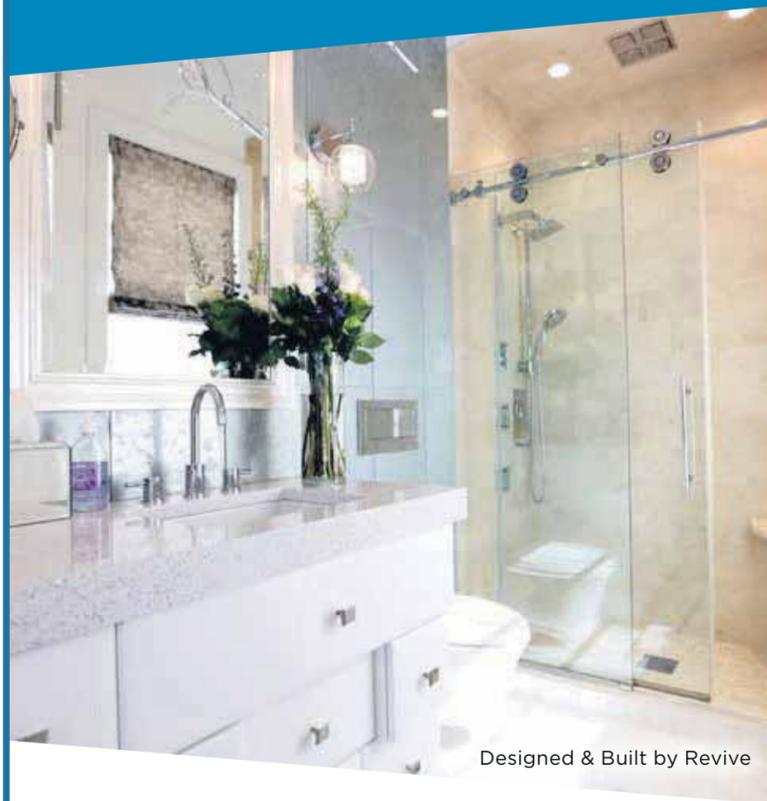
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Sears inks deal to keep name on arena

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

Sears Holdings Corp. signed a \$1.8 million deal last week that could keep its name on its hometown arena through 2022. The question is whether Sears will be around to see the end of that deal.

The Hoffman Estates-

based retailer reportedly is considering filing for bankruptcy protection within days.

Meanwhile, the Hoffman Estates Village Board on Monday approved a three-year extension of its naming rights agreement for the Sears Centre Arena, a concert and event venue and home of the NBA G

League's Windy City Bulls.

The village wasn't oblivious to speculation about a possible bankruptcy filing, Village Manager James Norris said. Hoffman Estates' previous agreement with Sears effectively gave the retailer right of first refusal to extend its naming rights.

Sears and the village

"very quickly agreed to the same terms that were in place before," Norris said.

The company has been making its \$600,000 annual payments on time, most recently in September, Norris said. Those payments are due 15 months before the period they cover.

If something were to jeopardize the deal, the vil-

lage would have time to respond, Norris said.

Hoffman Estates took over the Sears Centre in 2009 after its former owners threatened to close, citing losses.

The extended deal also outlines plans for a lounge in the southeast corner of the arena named for Sears' membership program,

Shop Your Way. The village and Sears would share up to \$100,000 of the costs of building the lounge. The plans include ways for visitors to sign up for Sears' membership program and a photo area that could be used for autograph signings.

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'Metroburbs' plan on track despite Sears



RYAN ORI

As Hoffman Estates officials monitor the tenuous future of Sears Holdings Corp., the village's largest employer, a New Jersey developer said Friday it's moving forward on a massive mixed-use project 5 miles east of the retailer's headquarters in the northwest suburb.

Regardless of what happens with Sears, which faces a \$134 million debt payment due Monday and is said to be preparing a bankruptcy filing, Somerset Development intends to stick with its plan to redevelop the approximately 150-acre former AT&T campus along the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway, Somerset President Ralph Zucker said.

If Sears folds, it would lead to mass job losses in

the area and would leave the retailer's 2.4 million-square-foot headquarters vacant. Already, Hoffman Estates is in an area of the Chicago suburbs where office leasing is sluggish.

"We're going to watch it, but we're not deterred," Zucker said of Sears' fight to stay in business.

Somerset is betting that it can overcome a location far from downtown Chicago and soft leasing demand by providing a unique setting to work, shop, dine and live. "We intend to be the category killer," Zucker said. "There is demand in this office submarket for good product. People don't want to go to work in mind-numbing office parks that have no life."

Somerset believes it can re-create the success it had redeveloping a similar property in its home state, a former Bell Labs campus where Zucker said his firm has signed more than 800,000 square feet of new office leases.

Hoffman Estates trust-



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Somerset Development intends to redevelop the former AT&T campus in Hoffman Estates, its president said.

ees in August approved zoning for Somerset's proposed redevelopment, under the condition that the developer complete its purchase of the site within 180 days. The developer is still negotiating financial incentives from the village.

Somerset wants to convert the vacant buildings into 1.2 million square feet of offices, 60,000 square feet of shops and restaurants, and 80,000 square feet of conference space. The developer also has approval for construction of 379 rental apartments, 171 for-sale townhomes and a hotel on the land.

AT&T's former campus, designed by architect Dirk Lohan and initially known as Ameritech Center, was

completed in 1991.

Conversion of the existing buildings is expected to cost about \$160 million, Zucker said. He declined to say how soon the firm expects to close on the land deal or how much it's paying for the site, citing confidentiality agreements. He also declined to identify investors or lenders for the project but said, "We have the financing we need to close."

"We are moving forward," Zucker said. "We have gotten the zoning we require to create a metropolis, a metropolis in suburbia."

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Nonunionized group sues grocery chain

BY GREG TROTTER
Chicago Tribune

Treasure Island Foods is facing another lawsuit — this one from nonunionized workers who say they weren't given sufficient layoff notice under state and federal law.

The lawsuit, which is seeking class-action status, was filed Thursday in federal court in Chicago. The 10 former workers who filed the suit allege the company violated the state and federal Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification acts because it didn't give workers the 60-day notice typically required for mass layoffs. The workers also allege Treasure Island violated the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act because it didn't pay employees for accrued but unused paid time off.

Treasure Island, which opened in 1963, ended its run in Chicago on Wednesday by closing the last of its remaining six stores. It notified workers late last month

that the company would close all stores by Oct. 12.

The former workers who filed the lawsuit are Mark Gossett, Sandra Roman, Telia Wilson, Timikii Coburn, Antonia Morales, Antonio Munoz, Jesse Lofton, David Leon, Kevin Jackson and Lorenzo Escamilla, Jr. The suit estimates the allegations apply to about 400 former Treasure Island employees.

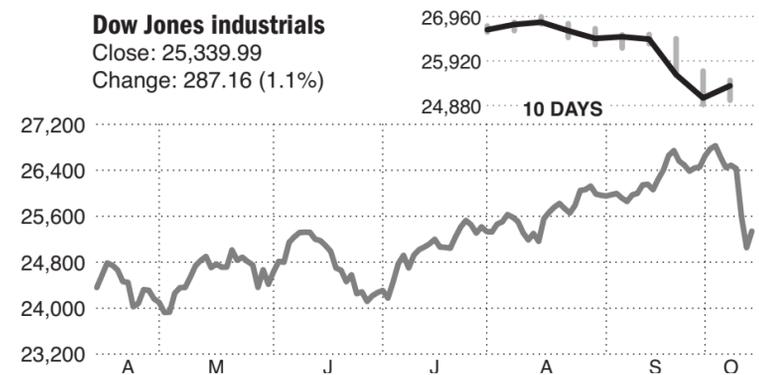
They're suing the corporate entities that operated the stores, CEO Maria Kamberos and President Christ Kamberos. Patrick Cavanaugh, a partner in High Ridge Partners, the liquidation firm now managing the company's assets, also was named in the suit. Arthur Stamas, attorney for the Kamberos family, couldn't be immediately reached for comment.

A similar lawsuit was filed last week by the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, which represents 28 employees.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 25,467.55 Low: 25,000.83 Previous: 25,052.83



Nasdaq
+167.83 (+2.29%)

Close 7,496.89
High 7,516.69
Low 7,368.33
Previous 7,329.06

S&P 500
+38.76 (+1.42%)

Close 2,767.13
High 2,775.77
Low 2,729.44
Previous 2,728.37

Russell 2000
+1.30 (+0.08%)

Close 1,546.68
High 1,567.64
Low 1,530.98
Previous 1,545.38

10-yr T-note

+0.01
to 3.14%

Gold futures

-5.40
to \$1,218.10

Yen

+0.07
to 112.01/\$1

Euro

+0.0023
to .8648/\$1

Crude Oil

+0.37
to \$71.34

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
-4.19	-3.74	-4.10	-3.11	-6.41	-4.75	+10.79	+13.49	+8.38

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 18	507.75	519	507.25	517.25	+9.25
		Mar 19	528.75	539.50	528.75	537.50	+8.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 18	369	374	368.50	373.75	+4.50
		Mar 19	381	385.75	380.50	385.75	+4.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Nov 18	859.50	868	858.50	867.50	+9.25
		Jan 19	873.50	882.25	873	881.75	+9.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Dec 18	29.01	29.43	28.99	29.39	+0.37
		Jan 19	29.26	29.66	29.24	29.63	+0.37
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Oct 18	312.90	313.10	311.50	312.50	-0.30
		Dec 18	316.50	319.00	314.80	316.90	+1.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Nov 18	70.99	72.01	70.64	71.34	+0.37
		Dec 18	70.89	71.89	70.47	71.18	+0.37
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Nov 18	3.234	3.270	3.138	3.161	-0.061
		Dec 18	3.303	3.344	3.202	3.226	-0.053
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Nov 18	1.9340	1.9814	1.9081	1.9420	+0.0093
		Dec 18	1.9317	1.9806	1.9067	1.9404	+0.0090

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization.

Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	69.33	+1.23	Equity Lifestyle Prop	N	91.87	+0.27	Middleby Corp	O	115.25	+1.14
AbbVie Inc	N	90.69	+0.95	Equity Residential	N	62.67	-0.20	Mondelez Intl	O	41.12	-0.07
Allstate Corp	N	93.16	-0.01	Exelon Corp	N	42.91	+0.18	Morningstar Inc	O	111.77	+1.43
Aptargroup Inc	N	101.65	+0.08	First Indl RT	N	29.68	-0.21	Motorola Solutions	N	120.24	+2.30
Arch Dan Mid	N	48.83	+1.16	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	47.63	-0.37	Navistar Intl	N	34.86	-0.06
Baxter Inc	N	71.25	+1.08	Gallagher AJ	N	71.25	-0.04	NISource Inc	N	24.31	-0.34
Boeing Co	N	360.11	+2.00	Grainger WW	N	311.54	+2.54	Nthn Trust Cp	O	99.05	-0.11
Brunswick Corp	N	59.65	+0.27	GrubHub Inc	N	116.55	+2.22	Old Republic	N	20.24	-0.16
CBOE Global Markets	N	100.11	-0.69	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	88.21	+0.94	Packaging Corp Am	N	88.05	-0.31
CDK Global Inc	O	56.61	-0.28	IDEX Corp	N	136.49	+0.31	Paylocity Hldg	O	65.72	+1.74
CDW Corp	O	82.37	+2.00	ITW	N	130.67	+1.32	Stericycle Inc	O	52.55	-0.44
CF Industries	N	52.43	+1.30	Ingredion Inc	N	100.74	+0.74	Teleph Data	N	31.70	+0.90
CME Group	O	176.50	+0.47	John Bean Technol	N	104.11	-2.44	TransUnion	N	68.94	+1.83
CNA Financial	N	43.70	+0.24	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	131.00	-0.30	USG Corp	N	42.83	+0.12
Caterpillar Inc	N	142.07	+1.10	Kemper Corp	N	73.39	-0.91	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	275.64	+8.07
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	35.34	+0.47	Kraft Heinz Co	O	54.24	+0.42	United Contl Hldgs	O	80.18	+0.06
Deere Co	N	148.42	+1.95	LKQ Corporation	O	28.53	+0.21	Ventas Inc	N	53.31	-0.05
Discover Fin Svcs	N	74.54	+0.36	Littelfuse Inc	O	176.86	+2.52	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	73.50	+2.60
Dover Corp	N	82.18	+0.84	MB Financial	O	44.27	-0.35	Wintrust Financial	O	81.46	-1.58
Equity Commonwlth	N	28.68	-0.07	McDonalds Corp	N	163.82	+0.85	Zebra Tech	O	157.71	+6.71

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	12.32	-4.10
Bank of America	28.46	+0.40
Ford Motor	8.64	-1.17
AT&T Inc	32.25	+0.50
Square Inc	73.97	+4.94
Snap Inc A	7.18	+0.37
Wells Fargo & Co	52.11	+0.67
JPMorgan Chase & Co	106.95	-1.18
Freemport McMoran	12.74	-0.44
Alibaba Group Hldg	147.29	+5.39
Citigroup	69.84	+1.46
Chesapeake Engy	4.45	+0.08
Pfizer Inc	43.78	+0.97
Twitter Inc	27.99	+0.99
Petrobras	15.35	+0.49
Barrick Gold	12.47	-0.11
Oracle Corp	47.38	+0.60
Penney JC Co Inc	1.76	-0.05
Regions Fnc'l	17.29	-0.45
Keycorp	18.65	-0.59
Kinder Morgan Inc	17.51	+0.09
Sthwstn Energy	5.34	+0.02
Verizon Comm	53.73	+0.40
Ambev S.A.	4.59	+0.13

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Adv Micro Dev	26.34	+1.04
Microsoft Corp	109.57	+3.66
Helios and Matheson	.02	-0.00
Apple Inc	222.11	+7.66
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.19	+0.22
Cisco Syst	45.71	+1.59
Micron Tech	42.47	+0.50
Intel Corp	44.88	+0.65
Comcast Corp A	34.62	+0.95
Corium Intl Inc	12.70	+4.39
Facebook Inc	153.74	+3.39
Amarin Corp	19.65	+0.34
JD.com Inc	24.45	+0.97
MagneGas Corp	.29	+0.02
Zynga Inc	4.20	+0.02
Huntgtm Bancshs	14.37	-0.33
Applied Matls	33.69	+0.90
Qualcomm Inc	64.29	+0.99
Nvidia Corporation	246.54	+11.41
Netflix Inc	339.56	+18.46
Roku Inc	60.41	+4.33
Caesars Entertain	9.03	+1.14
PayPal Holdings	79.03	+3.13
Starbucks Cdp	56.45	+1.59

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2606.91	+23.5/+0.9
Stoxx600	358.95	-7/-2
Nikkei	22694.66	+103.8/+0.5
MSCI-EAFE	1853.71	-3.0/-2
Bovespa	82921.08	+0/+0
FTSE 100	6995.91	-11.0/-2
CAC-40	5095.98	-10.4/-2

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	147.29	+5.39
Alphabet Inc C	1110.08	+30.76
Alphabet Inc A	1120.54	+29.80
Amazon.com Inc	1788.61	+69.25
Apple Inc	222.11	+7.66
Bank of America	28.46	+0.40
Berkshire Hath B	206.80	+1.61
Exxon Mobil Corp	81.38	-0.22
Facebook Inc	153.74	+3.39
JPMorgan Chase	106.95	-1.18
Johnson & Johnson	133.87	+0.03
Microsoft Corp	109.57	+3.66
Pfizer Inc	43.78	+0.97
Royal Dutch Shell B	67.31	-0.12
Royal Dutch Shell A	65.26	-0.16
Unitedhealth Group	259.61	+2.49
Visa Inc	140.06	+6.33

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EDITORIALS

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

The right place

I am a 30-year member of the Woodlawn community and, with my family, a regular user of Jackson Park for most of those 30 years. We regularly visit Wooded Island, watch birds with the bird watchers, canoe on the lagoon, hit golf balls at the driving range and, for five years, have used the park for youth soccer. It is likely that our family has utilized Jackson Park more often and in more ways than most members of the Hyde Park/Woodlawn communities.

For all of the years I have lived in the neighborhood and used the park, I can say that the portion of Jackson Park on which the Obama Foundation has proposed building the Obama Presidential Center has been either un- or under-utilized. While I am a strong advocate for the environment and care deeply about trees, I am also a strong advocate for turning what is now essentially a strip of land between two busy thoroughfares into a place that adds great value to the area and that will result in a more user-friendly park that will, with time, harbor even more trees and vegetation than it currently does.

To get from 60th Street to Wooded Island, my family has braved the treacherous crossing of Cornell Drive many times. Although among the drivers who love to cruise those Cornell Drive curves, I agree that closing Cornell Drive would remove a major barrier to the use and enjoyment of Wooded Island, while creating safe access to it. And, with Cornell Drive's return to parkland, we would have more park to enjoy.

In terms of the siting of the Obama center, beyond the improvements that it promises to bring to Jackson Park itself, I feel strongly that the civic benefit that this extremely important institution will contribute locally, nationally and globally fully merits the selected location. Indeed, any presidential center ought to be sited prominently on public land. The Obama Presidential Center is, by its stature, nature and mission, being awarded its rightful place.

— *Connie Spreen, Chicago*

Police reform

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions, in his opposition to the proposed consent decree on policing in the city of Chicago, actually provides a good case for the need for court-supervised reform for the police.

If the police indeed did hold back from “proactive policing” after the ACLU agreement of 2015, not to mention the shooting death of Laquan McDonald in 2014, this would be a matter for police administration reform.

The 2015 agreement mandated that police stops be documented. This was after many years of determined abuse by the police in the stop-and-frisk activity. There was found to be widespread racial profiling. If the police were backing off in some kind of work slowdown, this should not have been tolerated at any level of management, as it would not have been in any other line of work.

— *Gerald Talsky, Chicago*

The justice gap

Justice Brett Kavanaugh's Supreme Court confirmation hearings riveted the nation. The confirmation process is over. But it is critical that we not just maintain — but expand — the interest we showed in our judiciary to include not just the Supreme Court but our lower courts too.

Lower courts are the gateway to our legal system. They are where domestic violence survivors go to get restraining orders, where child custody decisions are made and where families are evicted. Lower court decisions can be life-altering to the parties they involve, and they have a profound and widespread impact on larger society — particularly when considered collectively.

Unfortunately, lower courts do not provide the same admittance to everyone. People often need a lawyer to navigate or even enter the judicial system. Unlike in criminal cases, however, there is no right to an attorney in civil cases — even though civil cases involve fundamental rights concerning people's families, homes, safety, health and livelihoods. Many people cannot afford a lawyer, so they go without representation — and the justice that depends on it — in life-altering cases.

The result is not an access-to-justice gap, but an access-to-justice chasm. A recent Justice Gap Report, commissioned by the Legal Services Corp. and conducted by the social research organization NORC at the University of Chicago, documented that low-income people receive little or no representation for 86 percent of their legal needs and that particular groups, like domestic violence survivors, veterans, senior citizens and people with disabilities, have even more unmet legal needs.

The justice gap is not inevitable. We can close it, and we must for our judicial system — and our society — to truly work for everyone. The first step is for society as a whole to take a close look at our entire court system, to acknowledge the justice gap and the pernicious impact our courts' inaccessibility to so many has on us all, and to engage in a collective conversation about how to address it.

— *Rebecca Rapp, Madison, Wis.*

Unfounded fear

The Trump administration has decided to limit the number of refugees entering the United States each year to 30,000 people. That is astounding. We have over 300 million people in our country. Thirty-thousand refugees represents only 0.01 percent of our nation's total population. That is one refugee for every 10,000 inhabitants of the U.S.

Why so few? Are we not prosperous enough to help more than just 30,000 people, all of whom are coming to America because they fear for their lives? Are we frightened of them?

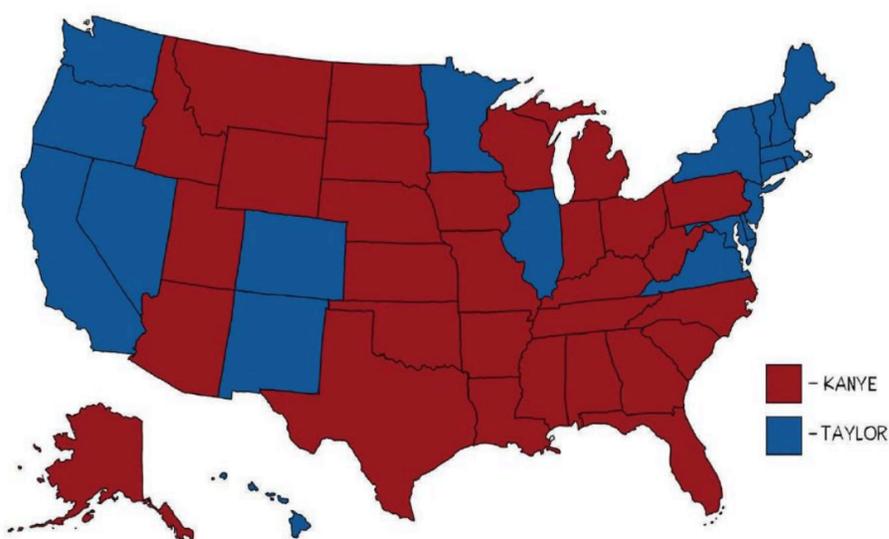
I work with a Syrian refugee family. I help tutor the children in their home. These people have gone through enormous suffering to come to America, and they just want to be a part of our country. They work hard. The parents put great emphasis on their children's education. They are trying to learn English as fast as they can. We want people like this in the United States. We need more of them, not fewer.

— *Francis Pauc, Oak Creek, Wis.*

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The deadly peril of not enforcing gun laws

For a long time, Thomas Caldwell behaved like a man who wanted to go to prison and wouldn't stop until he got his way. In September, he pleaded guilty to selling guns without a federal license and now faces a prison sentence of up to five years. The question is why he wasn't locked up sooner.

One of the firearms the Wisconsin man sold illegally was a 9 mm Glock semi-automatic pistol that wound up in the hands of a four-time felon named Shomari Legghette. In February, he was fleeing Chicago police on foot in the Loop when he was tackled by police Cmdr. Paul Bauer. In the struggle, authorities say, Legghette fired seven rounds, inflicting fatal wounds on the officer.

Anyone who makes a regular business of selling guns is supposed to obtain a federal firearms dealer license. Anyone buying from a licensed dealer has to submit to a background check that screens out those who are legally barred from gun ownership, such as felons.

Caldwell, however, bought and sold dozens of guns a year without a license and peddled them through a website that doesn't require users to prove identity and undergo background checks.

That activity brought Caldwell to the attention of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Tribune's Jeremy Gornor and Annie Sweeney reported. In 2015, the ATF sent him a letter warning him not to sell more guns until he got a license. He agreed but didn't stop. In 2017, the agency traced another gun to Caldwell and found he was still posting hundreds of firearms for sale online. Undercover ATF agents arranged to go to his home, where they bought a pistol.

He wasn't charged with a crime, though, until later — after Bauer was shot. In the aftermath of that death, the ATF visited Caldwell's home and found he was still plying his trade without a license, telling agents “that selling firearms was like an addiction,” as an assistant U.S. attorney said. Even then, he kept selling, finally earning his date

in federal court.

Why didn't the ATF move sooner to get prosecutors to put this chronic, dangerous scofflaw behind bars? The agency “declined to comment,” the Tribune reported.

This case shows the need for stricter enforcement of federal firearms licensing laws — which are meant to prevent people from operating as gun dealers without following sensible rules. The laws are also meant to block sales to prohibited buyers. The largely unregulated private gun market makes it much too easy for shady sellers and criminal buyers to find each other. That's a good reason for Congress to pass legislation requiring federal background checks for all firearm purchases, rather than let private sellers continue to operate on the honor system.

If Caldwell had been prosecuted when he first appeared on the ATF's radar, Paul Bauer might be alive today. That's a tragedy and a disgrace. The feds should take it as unforgettable proof of the urgent need for tougher enforcement.

Khashoggi's fate? Why Trump should squeeze the Saudis

Saudi Arabia's 33-year-old de facto leader, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, paints himself as reformist. He has allowed women to drive, reined in the kingdom's religious police and permitted movie theaters to open. Those reforms, however, mask a regime that routinely arrests its critics and prosecutes a bloody, Saudi-led military campaign in Yemen that continues to yield mounting civilian casualties.

Now the Western world fears that track record may include assassination. Evidence continues to build that Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi succumbed to a vile death plot carried out by a team of Saudi agents at the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul. Early on the afternoon of Oct. 2, Khashoggi, 59 and a resident of the U.S., walked into the consulate to retrieve documents he needed for his upcoming wedding. His fiancée, Hatice Cengiz, waited until after midnight outside the consulate for him to come out. He never did.

Khashoggi, a Washington Post columnist, wrote critically about Prince Mohammed and the Saudi regime. Through a steady stream of

leaks and videos, Turkish officials have laid out their allegations against the Saudis: A team of 15 Saudi intelligence agents, including an autopsy expert, arrive in Istanbul, murder Khashoggi at the consulate, dismember his body and return to Saudi Arabia. Several media outlets report that Turkish officials have audio and video recordings of Khashoggi's murder at the consulate. Riyadh has stuck to its assertion that Khashoggi left the consulate alive, but it hasn't provided security video or other evidence to back that claim.

Turkey has pressed the Saudis to explain what happened. The response from President Donald Trump, who has coddled and courted the Saudi royal family, has been conspicuously timid. In an interview Thursday with “Fox & Friends,” he described relations with the Saudi kingdom as “excellent.”

In Congress, calls grow for sanctions against the Saudi regime, as well as a halt to U.S. arms sales to Riyadh. Trump bristled at that idea. “What good would it do us?” he said.

Well, Mr. President, it would

send a clear message to the Saudis that business as usual isn't going to happen with a regime that silences its critics in violent, gruesome ways. Maybe Trump the businessman should look for inspiration from other U.S. and Western business leaders, who in reaction to what happened to Khashoggi are rethinking ties with the Saudis. Uber CEO Dara Khosrowshahi pulled out of an upcoming government-sponsored investor conference in Riyadh, The Wall Street Journal reports. Viacom's CEO, The New York Times and The Economist also pulled out. One invitee who still plans to attend: Trump's treasury secretary, Steven Mnuchin.

Prince Mohammed may be miffed at the Western world's recoiling, but he shouldn't be surprised. Western CEOs and investors are right to think twice about doing business with a government that wants and needs strong ties with the West yet increasingly looks and acts like other, brutish regimes now branded as pariahs. If the crown prince wants the West's seal of approval, he should come clean about the fate of Jamal Khashoggi.

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Tiffany Oglesby, from left, Wardell Julius Clark, Tiffany Renee Johnson and Sydney Charles in Pearl Cleage's "Flyin' West."

IN PERFORMANCE 'Flyin' West' ★★★

A juicy melodrama

Serious themes explored in Kansas frontier-set story

BY CHRIS JONES
 Chicago Tribune

I first saw Pearl Cleage's "Flyin' West," a potboiler of a show set in an all-black frontier town in 1898, in Montgomery, Ala. It was 1998 and Cleage — a prolific novelist as well as a playwright — was soon to be the most produced African-American woman in the American theater at the turn of the millennium. "Flyin' West" was greeted with a lot of nods and murmurs of recognition from an almost entirely African-American audience that night. The setting for the play was historically accurate: Many Southern blacks escaped the horrors of the Jim Crow South by moving not to the great industrial cities of New York, Chicago and Detroit — a migration well documented in drama and fiction — but, in fact, to the edge of the frontier.

When: Through Nov. 3

Where: Stage 773, 1225 W. Belmont Ave.

Running time: 2 hours, 15 minutes

Tickets: \$19-\$39 at 773-654-3103 or www.americanblues.com

Hence Nicodemus, Kan. The matriarchal character in Cleage's play — a 73-year-old former slave named Miss Leah who birthed 15 children and watched each and every one of them get sold into slavery — walks all the way there, just to claim her right to property under the Homestead Act. Cleage's play is structured like an old-fashioned melodrama: It's full of shocks, surprises, betrayals, letters imparting sudden good fortune and sudden lousy fortune, violence, murder and any number of other juicy revelations. I remember thinking back then that all of that stuff undermined the credulity of beautifully

drawn characters. But what became much clearer to me at the new American Blues Theater production in Chicago — which opened Thursday night under the sly and entertaining direction of the veteran Chuck Smith — was how Cleage consciously was taking the tropes of the melodramatic Western and putting black American frontierswomen at the core of the story. You'll enjoy "Flyin' West" if you treat it as a dose of wicked fun — which is not to say its underlying themes are not deadly serious. Cleage's entire body of work is very much about how African-American men treat African-American women, and that's a major theme here as we watch three sisters — Minnie (Tiffany Renee Johnson), Fannie (Sydney Charles) and Sophie (Tiffany Oglesby) — try to repel an abusive man, Frank (Wardell Julius Clark), who marries the needy Minnie and tries to destroy this feminist community of self-determination. With the help of Miss Leah (Joslyn Jones), the women stop at nothing to hold on to their freedom.

"Flyin' West" has, for sure, come into its time. Smith's production starts slow but gets better as it goes. Act 1 is a bit stiff, and you sometimes look out at the stage and wonder why all the characters are standing in a straight line. But by Act 2, everyone gets fired up, including Oglesby, who shows us the passionate underbelly of her tough-nut character; Johnson, who is very moving throughout; and Charles, whom I invariably enjoy watching on the stage because she is such a live actor with stellar reactive powers. Clark, another big talent, has the toughest job, and I'm not sure he's yet figured out how far he wants to go down the rabbit hole of self-loathing with this man, a self-described "mulatto" willing to sell out his black brothers and sisters to play a morally bankrupt game, a pawn really in Cleage's story of how, sometimes, you have to be willing to do what has got to be done. Chris Jones is a Tribune critic. cjones5@chicagotribune.com

IN PERFORMANCE

Mahler's Third gets a pallid treatment

BY HOWARD REICH
 Chicago Tribune

Mahler's Third Symphony taxes the interpretive resources of the conductor as much as it does the technical prowess of the orchestra. Its sprawling first movement stands practically as a symphony unto itself, launching the composer's epic contemplation of nature and man's place in it. This tone poem demands a podium figure who can inspire an enormous ensemble while managing oft-competing orchestral sections. And that's just for starters. The conductor must shape a work in which multiple themes and counterthemes clash, intertwine and eventually transform. The sheer complexity of this first of six movements poses challenges that can be overwhelming, as they proved to be to conductor Andres Orozco-Estrada Thursday night in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center. From the opening measures — played slowly and stolidly — Orozco-Estrada missed the urgency and drama of this score. In these initial pages, Mahler portrays not only the beauty but the terror of nature, as summer sweeps in. The shattering interjections of muted trumpets, with their brazen dissonance and slashing rhetoric, ought to sound frightening but were quite tame under Orozco-Estrada's direction.

As the first movement progressed, Mahler's extraordinarily colorful orchestral writing — which evokes the joys and wonders of nature — sounded mostly pallid. Though there was sensuous, lyrical playing to be heard from the winds, most of this movement — which sets the stage for everything to come — emerged as strangely colorless and perfunctory. Orozco-Estrada drew some lovely turns of phrase from the strings, but, ultimately, his was a methodical, superficial account of one of the most majestic movements in the romantic symphonic repertory. Orozco-Estrada simply offered no discernible point of view on this music. Principal oboe William Welter produced characteristically poetic playing in the second movement, which Mahler conceived as an evocation of flowers blossoming. But even the hyper-expressive, swelling string passages showed little bloom in Orozco-Estrada's cursory reading of them. The conductor summoned somewhat more animated playing in the third movement, which Mahler envisioned as a reflection on animals in the forest. At last, Orozco-Estrada was saying something via buoyant rhythm and orchestral detail. Assistant principal trumpet Mark Ridenour enriched this performance with his sensitively wrought



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mezzo-soprano Kelley O'Connor brought to life Mahler's Third Symphony, with Andres Orozco-Estrada conducting on Thursday evening.

offstage posthorn solo. But it wasn't really until the fourth movement, in which mezzo-soprano Kelley O'Connor sang text Mahler drew from Nietzsche, that this performance fully began to come to life. O'Connor was a bit too generous with her vibrato, but there was no mistaking or resisting the intensity of her performance or the meaning she invested in these words. The lyrics explore the pain and joy of man's existence, and O'Connor twinned the fervor of her delivery with the rounded legato of her phrasing. The combined forces of the women of the Chicago Symphony Chorus and Anima — Young Singers of Greater Chicago instantly brought to the fifth movement the vividness of expression that had been lacking earlier. Mahler sought to conjure the spirit of angels here, and these voices did so nimbly (credit Chicago Symphony Chorus director Duain Wolfe and Anima director

Charles Sundquist). The finale represents Mahler's expression of the salvation of love (or divinity), and here conductor Orozco-Estrada at last had something significant to say. This extended essay can become too slow and monochromatic or too glib and repetitive. Orozco-Estrada brought solemnity and stillness to its opening pages, a serene beauty to what followed and an exquisite melodic flow through it all. This, of course, was too little, too late, but it elevated a performance that otherwise did not have a great deal to recommend it. The program will be repeated through Sunday in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; ticket prices vary; 312-294-3000 or www.cso.org. Howard Reich is a Tribune critic. hreich@chicagotribune.com [Twitter @howardreich](https://twitter.com/howardreich)

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MICHAEL PHILLIPS MOVIES

"The Hate U Give" Based on the novel by Angie Thomas, it's about a 16-year-old African-American girl named Starr Carter, played by Amandla Stenberg. By day, she is surrounded by the rich, while the rest of the time is spent in a mostly black neighborhood called Garden Heights. At a spring-break party, Starr is a sole witness to the murder of her childhood friend and crush, Khalil (Algee Smith). "The Hate U Give" becomes the story of how one teenager must choose between keeping her head down, or holding it up and seeing everything, and then putting a voice to what she sees. PG-13, 2/12, drama

CHRIS JONES THEATER

"We're Only Alive for a Short Amount of Time" "Reality is something you rise above," the humble, quirky, British-American monologist David Cale once said on a stage in the old Goodman Theatre. He's finally explaining what he meant, laying bare his own shockingly violent reality growing up in working-class Luton, England. This deeply moving autobiographical show is a collaboration with director Robert Falls and musician Matthew Dean Marsh. Cale brings back his parents by interweaving his sense of their points of view with his own perspective on his childhood, the times he hung out on the back lawn with his pets, just so he could stay away from the screams inside. But "We're Only Alive" is not just a story of survival, but of striving to transcend. Through Oct. 21 at the Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St.; \$25-\$70 at 312-443-3800 or www.goodmantheatre.org

GREG KOT MUSIC

Florence + the Machine With "High as Hope," the fourth in a decade-long career, Florence Welch, frontwoman of the band, approached the music with a newfound sobriety and clarity. She sequestered herself in a recording studio with engineer Brett Shaw and created some of her most personally revealing music, a step or two deeper than the florid fantasy epics that dominated her early albums. 7 p.m. Oct. 19, United Center, 1901 W. Madison St.; \$44-\$109; www.ticketmaster.com.

HOWARD REICH JAZZ

Dave Liebman When saxophonist and National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master Dave Liebman played the Green Mill Jazz Club last year, he summoned a degree of energy and muscularity one rarely encounters in musicians half his 72 years. He'll return to the club leading a quartet; it's reasonable to expect more volcanic playing. 8 p.m. Saturday at the Green Mill Jazz Club, 4802 N. Broadway; \$15; 773-878-5552 or www.greenmilljazz.com.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Odeon' ★★★

Layers of dance fascinate, but some parts fall flat

BY LAUREN WARNECKE
Chicago Tribune

If break dancing and bossa nova had a baby, it might look like the style of Ephrat Asherie Dance, which performs its evening-length Chicago debut "Odeon" through Saturday at the Dance Center. "Odeon" is equal parts music and dance; siblings Ephrat and Ehud Asherie, choreographer and music director of Ephrat's eponymous dance company, combine their love for jazz music, break dancing and Brazilian traditions to form an original style and sound.

The word odeon was used to describe the music venues of ancient Greece and Rome, but Ephrat Asherie's hourlong dance is rooted in social dance forms worldwide. The dominant vocabulary blends Latin social dance traditions with New York-style break dancing, but "Odeon" is a complicated layering of forms that could be said to include tap dance, house, stepping, West African traditions, capoeira, vogue, Lindy hop and contemporary concert dance. The music is an equally complex melting pot of rhythms that interact with the movement in truly fascinating ways.

The general feel of the evening is joyful and exuberant — Asherie and her six dancers appear to fly across the stage like skipping stones. There's a certain intensity to each of the styles represented, but when put together, the virtuosic sensationalism of each on its own is tempered to reflect this lighter, more jubilant tone.

On the one hand, it's nice to know that we are invited into a space that would be more likely to occur spontaneously, rather than in the Dance Center. On the other hand,



MATTHEW MURPHY PHOTO

Manon Bal, Matthew West and choreographer Ephrat Asherie dance in the Chicago debut of "Odeon."

When: 7:30 p.m. Saturday

Where: The Dance Center of Columbia College Chicago, 1306 S. Michigan Ave.

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there's something really special about social dance that can't, and perhaps shouldn't, translate to this type of space.

Social dance is — well — social. It's more about doing than watching. The experience between partners or dance crews is symbiotic and intimate, intentionally shutting out the outside world and creating a space where dance reigns. To end such a moment with a cheeky grin out toward the audience feels contrary to the point.

That's not to say that street dance can't make for extraordinary concert dance experiences. But the intricacies of "Odeon" might be better served by forgetting the audience is there and letting go of presentational trappings.

Case in point: The mostly plotless work is humming along when, out of nowhere, it becomes a story ballet in which two dancers incite violence on

two others. In the course of five minutes, we're transported from a samba club in Queens to a dark alley, where the offenders imply the beating and killing of the others by forcing them to the ground and breaking their necks. The victims fall belly-down and are dragged offstage, only to come back and patty-cake with the two people who just supposedly killed them.

It shows a kind of irreverence for the power of gesture and meaning infused in dance, and a lack of thoughtfulness for the through-lines of this particular evening. And for me, this scene totally quashed the overall theme of the work which, I thought, was about the happy marriage between street and stage.

It's an anomaly within an evening that is mostly upbeat and benign, and possesses some awesome and magical moments. Break dance and accordion are an aberrant pair, but Ephrat Asherie breaking with Brazilian keyboardist Vitor Goncalves is simply wonderful.

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ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Concern about friends' troubled kids

Dear Amy: How should I respond to parents of troubled offspring? These not-so-young adults seem set on destroying themselves or going to jail. Some have committed unspeakable acts and endangered others.

These parents and their sons and daughters have been my friends for many years. I saw nothing but love in their homes. I am not a parent, so I don't trust my feelings here.

In some cases, I am so furious with the offenders that I don't think I can be in a room with them without going into a rage. They don't seem to realize how much their actions impact the lives of the people around them.

When I have a catch-up with my parent friends, I wait to see if they mention their wayward progeny.

I'm afraid to ask, and yet I feel it seems like I don't care if I don't ask. I'm reluctant to make a connection for fear they think I'm being snoopy. I just want to hang out with my old buddies!

Can you guide me?
— Miss My Friends

Dear Miss My Friends: The way you present this, you are surrounded — or feel surrounded — by friends and their felonious offspring. I truly hope this is not the case.

Your question is whether you should ask your friends about their adult children, in the polite way that people do. The answer is "yes."

It doesn't seem like snooping if you simply ask, "How is 'Marta' doing right now?" The friend can either answer in detail, or give you a noncommittal

brush back. If you sense tension, you can say, "Are you OK with me asking? I don't want to upset you, but I want you to know that I care."

There is no need for you to spend time with offenders, if it makes you uncomfortable or fills you with rage. But when communicating with these parents, leave your judgment out of it. Regardless of how you feel, you can assume that they continue to love and care about their children.

Dear Amy: My wife and I have a blended family. We both have adult children from previous marriages, and these children have children of their own.

Food seems to be our only issue. The children have mixed wants: One won't eat meat, another fish, one is vegetarian and another family is vegan. Their children seem to be omnivores. During family gatherings at our home, we try to accommodate everyone's preference, but it can be difficult, as no one is willing to budge.

However, when we visit their homes, they serve only what they eat and do not take into consideration our preferences. If they are vegan, we eat vegan.

It seems to be a one-way food street, with us trying to go in both directions. It can get frustrating.

I'd like to say something to everyone involved, but I don't know how without causing discord. Do you have any suggestions on how to keep everyone happy?

— Not Quite Nourished

Dear Not Quite Nourished: Confronting this shouldn't be an insur-

mountable challenge, except that you are going to have to abandon the idea of keeping everyone happy. These adults are responsible for their own happiness. You only need to rustle up some chow.

The simplest solution is to offer a vegan meal to all during these group meals. This is the most restrictive diet, and everyone can eat vegan food (certainly for one meal).

Otherwise, assign dishes. Send an email to the offspring: "We're having trouble keeping up with everyone's diets. So we'll provide meat (and/or fish), potatoes, and beverages. Candace, can you bring a vegan dish and a fruit salad? Victoria, can you bring a vegetarian or vegan casserole? Bradley, please bring dessert?"

And then yes, when you are at their house, you should eat what they serve. If you need or want to eat meat at the vegan or vegetarian family's house, then you can bring a dish to add to what they are offering.

Dear Amy: I'm disappointed that you told "Nanny in Need" not to take a dog that had come to the family she worked for. Now the poor dog is being neglected by everyone!

— Upset

Dear Upset: The nanny had taken on the dog's care during work hours. She should not succumb to pressure to take on the dog full time. That's not a solution for either of them.

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WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Rory Kennedy

"Above and Beyond: NASA's Journey to Tomorrow" (8 p.m., 12 a.m., Discovery): Emmy-winning filmmaker Rory Kennedy ("Last Days of Vietnam") directed, produced and narrates this new documentary, which throws a spotlight on some of NASA's greatest accomplishments, from the moon landing to the exploration of Mars and unmanned journeys to the outer edges of our solar system and beyond. Just as important, however, the film also examines the vital role NASA does in measuring the health of our home planet.

"Goosebumps" (6 p.m., 8 p.m., FX): While there have been other projects based on R.L. Stine's popular book series of thrillers for young readers, this fanciful tale makes Stine himself a character, as played by Jack Black. He becomes involved in the effort to contain monstrous characters he created when they're accidentally released into the world by a town newcomer (Dylan Minnette) who has befriended Stine's daughter (Odeya Rush).

"Maze Runner: The Death Cure" (7 p.m., 12:45 a.m., HBO): The final installment of this three-part movie series, set in a dystopian future ravaged by a killer virus, follows heroic Thomas (Dylan O'Brien) and his fellow "Gladers" as they try to rescue other survivors whose immunity to the lethal bug has turned them into lab animals for the aptly named organization WCKD. O'Brien sustained an on-set injury that shut down production for a few months and critics brought some hurt as well, but this cinematic finale still made a bundle at the global box office.

"The Sinister Surrogate" (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): Childless couple Danielle and Josh are pleased when they meet Kailee, who appears to be an ideal surrogate to bear their child. After Kailee delivers a beautiful daughter, however, the adoptive parents start to worry that she may not be inclined to surrender the infant.

"Under the Autumn Moon" (8 p.m., Hallmark): Alex McKenna (Lindy Booth, "The Librarians"), a junior executive with an outdoor adventure company, re-discovers her dormant passion for wide open spaces while assessing a financially strapped dude ranch in North Dakota. Josh Ketchum (Wes Brown), the ranch's current owner, has resigned himself to selling to avoid foreclosure, and as he tries to persuade Alex to promise the property will continue as a working ranch, the two begin to strike romantic sparks in this new 2018 romance.

"Karma" (8 p.m., Syfy): Mandela Van Peebles (son of Mario) stars in this new 2018 horror movie as Manny Everett, a recent college graduate who finds upon getting his degree that employers aren't exactly beating down his door. Finally, his father-in-law offers him a job few others want: evicting down-on-their-luck people who have fallen behind in their rent. In the course of making his rounds, Manny inadvertently unleashes a "karma demon" that stalks him relentlessly. Brytni Sarpy ("General Hospital") also stars.

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	PM	MOVIES								
		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00		
BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: "One Step Forward." ©	Magnum P.I.: "From the Head Down." ©	48 Hours (N) ©	News (N) †					
	NBC 5	Dateline NBC: "Secrets & Lies." ©	Dateline NBC: "The Client." ©	Saturday Night Live (N) ©	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)					
	ABC 7	† (6:37) College Football: Wisconsin at Michigan. (N) (Live) ©						Eyewitness News (N) †		
	WGN 9	The Ring 2 (PG-13,'05) ** Naomi Watts. A journalist must protect her son from evil Samara. ©			WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		Man of the People (N)			
	Antenna 9.2	Morning McHale	Knows Best	Jack Benny	Burns/Allen	Jeannie	Bewitched			
	This TV 9.3	The Saint ©	The Saint ©		The Saint ©		The Saint †			
	PBS 11	800 Words (N) ©		Father Brown: "The Sins of Others." ©	Death in Paradise ©		Jamestown (N) †			
	The U 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad		
	MeTV 26.3	Svengoolie: "Cry of the Werewolf." ©			Lost in Space ©		B. Rogers †			
	H&I 26.4	Hunter		Hunter		Hunter		Hill Street †		
	Bounce 26.5	† (5:30) Lethal Weapon 2						Lethal Weapon 3 (R,'92) *** Mel Gibson, Danny Glover.		
	FOX 32	9-1-1: "7.1: Help Is Not Coming." ©						Hell's Kitchen: "Hell's Riders." ©		
	Ion 38	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU †		
	Telem 44	† (6) Red 2 (PG-13,'13) **		The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift ('06) ** ©			Noticiero			
	CW 50	AHL Hockey: Grand Rapids Griffins at Chicago Wolves. (N) (Live)						Dateline †		
UniMas 60	† (6) 3:10 to Yuma (R,'07) ***		Maggie (PG-13,'15) ** Arnold Schwarzenegger.							
WJYS 62	Paid Prog.	Moses	Bishop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.			
Univ 66	La Rosa de Guadalupe ©						La Rosa de Guadalupe Noticias 66			
CABLE	AE	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©		Live PD: "Live PD -- 10.13.18." (N) © †						
	AMC	The A-Team (PG-13,'10) ** Liam Neeson, Bradley Cooper. ©			The A-Team ('10) ** © †					
	ANIM	My Cat From Hell (N) ©		Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)		Wolves and Warriors (N)		Pit Bulls †		
	BBCA	Terminator 2: Judgment Day (R,'91) *** Arnold Schwarzenegger. ©						Term 2 †		
	BET	Barbershop: The Next Cut (PG-13,'16) *** Ice Cube.				(9:40) The Wash ('01) ** †				
	BIGTEN	Women's College Volleyball (N)				Big Ten		Postgame		Drive (N) †
	BRAVO	† (6:50) Fast Five (PG-13,'11) ** Vin Diesel, Paul Walker. ©						(9:25) Fast Five ** © †		
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend	News (N)		
	CNBC	Undercover		Undercover		Undercover Boss ©		Boss †		
	CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)		Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony †		
	COM	† Horrible		(7:25) Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story ('04) ***		Dirty Grandpa (R,'16) ** †				
	DISC	Expedition Unknown ©		Above and Beyond: NASA's Journey to Tomorrow		Expedition				
	DISN	Big Hero 6 (PG,'14) *** ©		Coop		Raven		Andi Mack		Under-Sea
	E!	Dirty Dancing (PG-13,'87) *** Jennifer Grey. ©		Titanic (PG-13,'97) **** © †						
	ESPN	† (6) College Football: Missouri at Alabama. (N) (Live)						Scores (N)		Boxing (N) †
	ESPN2	† (6) College Football: Miami at Virginia. (N) (Live)						College Football: Hawaii at BYU. (N) †		
	FNC	Watters' World (N) ©		Justice With Jeanine (N)		Greg Gutfeld (N)		Watters †		
	FOOD	Halloween Wars ©		Halloween Wars ©		Halloween Wars ©		Halloween		
	FREE	† (6:25) Monsters, Inc. (G,'01) *** ©						Monsters University (G,'13) *** © †		
	FX	† (6) Goosebumps ('15) ***		Goosebumps (PG,'15) *** Jack Black. ©		Inbetween †				
	HALL	† (6) Falling for You ('18)						Under the Autumn Moon (NR,'18) Lindy Booth. ©		Season †
	HGTV	Love It or List It ©		Love It or List It ©		Beachfront Renovation (N)		Restored †		
	HIST	USS Indianapolis: Men of Courage (R,'16) Nicolas Cage, Tom Sizemore. ©						Pawn †		
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	IFC	We're the Millers (R,'13) ** Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis. ©				We're the Millers (R) ** †				
	LIFE	The Sinister Surrogate (NR,'18) Kelly Thiebaud. ©						(9:03) The Girl in the Bathub (R,'18) †		
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		11th Hour †		
	MTV	Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish: The TV Show ©		Mean Girls (PG-13,'04) *** © †				
	NBCSCH	Pregame (N) NHL Hockey: St. Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks. (N) (Live) ©						Postgame		
	NICK	Henry (N)		Henry		Ice Age: The Meltdown (PG,'06) ** ©		Friends †		
Ovation	† (6:30) Bad Boys (R,'95) ** Martin Lawrence. ©						Versailles (N) ©		Versailles †	
OWN	Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla, Fix My Life (N) ©		Black Love (N) ©		Iyanla †			
OXY	Criminal Confessions (Season Premiere) (N)		Criminal Confessions (N)		Jessica Chambers		Confession			
PARMT	† (5:30) Step Brothers **						Bellator MMA Live (N) (Live) © †			
SYFY	† Cucuy: The Boogeyman		Karma (NR,'18) Mandela Van Peebles. ©				Futura			
TBS	MLB Baseball: Houston Astros at Boston Red Sox. (N) (Live) ©									
TCM	The Fearless Vampire Killers (NR,'67) *** ©						King Lear (PG-13,'71) *** †			
TLC	Long Island Medium: "The Breaking Point." ©				Long Island Medium		Medium †			
TLN	Exalted		Pacific Garden Mission		In Grace		Humanitarian			
TNT	The Legend of Tarzan (PG-13,'16) ** Alexander Skarsgard.				Star Wars: For †					
TOON	† Alvin and the Chipmunks		Dragon		My Hero		Naruto (N)		Boruto (N)	
TRAV	Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost Adventures (N) ©		Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost †			
TVL	Two Men		Two Men		Two Men		Two Men		King	
USA	† Bridesmaids Fifty Shades of Grey (R,'15) ** Dakota Johnson. ©						Vacation †			
VH1	Think Like a Man (PG-13,'12) ** Michael Ealy, Jerry Ferrara. ©						Love †			
WE	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds: "Poison."		Criminal †			
WGN America	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Blood †			
PREMIUM	HBO	Maze Runner: The Death Cure (PG-13,'18) ** Dylan O'Brien.				(9:40) The Deuce © †				
	HBO2	Pod Save America ©		The Shop		Tracey Ull		Real Time With Bill Maher		Last Week
	MAX	The Siege (R,'98) ** Denzel Washington. ©				Die Hard 2 (R,'90) *** Bruce Willis. †				
	SHO	Shameless ©						Titanic (PG-13,'97) **** Leonardo DiCaprio. © †		
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Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Good news comes from far away. Travels and studies illuminate distant lands. Others give you a boost. Love finds a way to work things out. **Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Profit from your quick action. Stick to practical objectives, and put your back into it. Contribute to shared projects. Intellect and intuition agree. **Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 7. Collaboration ignites. You inspire each other. Get into action on practical details. Don't worry about abstractions or hypotheticals. **Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. Put your talent to work. Accuracy matters. Practice your moves. Obstacles and barriers seem to melt away. Stick to basics; distractions abound. **Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Link arms with someone you admire and respect. Together, you get farther; plus it's more fun. Relax and play a game you both enjoy. **Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Invest time and energy into your home and family. Ignore distractions, and take concrete steps to realize a domestic project. Find cost-effective solutions. **Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Follow a fascinating thread. Sort, organize and summarize data. Generate satisfying results with a creative project. Add illustrations and visuals. Write, broadcast or publish.

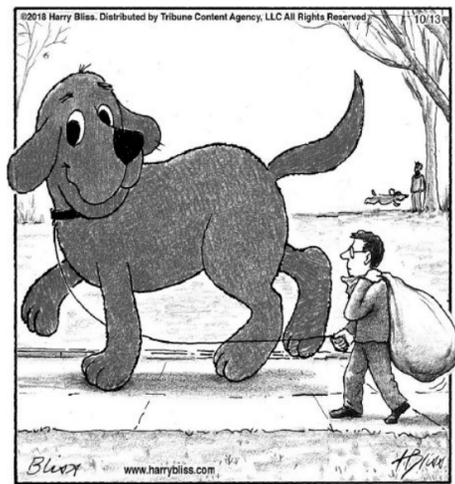
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Avoid nebulous ideas to prioritize solid profit potential. Keep a low profile, and get the job done. Collect the benefits you've earned. **Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Take decisive action to advance a personal ambition. Stick to basics. Less interference is better. Distractions vie for your attention. **Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 6. Meditative movement like yoga or walking in nature soothes your spirit. Wait for your view to clear; you don't have the full picture. Recharge. **Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. A group project takes flight. Together, your reach and accomplishments blossom. Find efficiencies in collaborative efforts. Ease up on imaginative suggestions; keep it simple. **Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Your professional prospects expand and grow. Prioritize tasks, and get into action. Avoid ephemeral ideas, and stick with low-risk, high-benefit deals. Advance your career agenda.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

North	♠ Q 10 9 5	♥ J 9 8 6 5	♦ 10 7	♣ K 3
West	♠ J 8 4 3	♥ Q 3	♦ J 3	♣ Q J 10 8 7
East	♠ K 7 6	♥ K 4 2	♦ Q 5 2	♣ A 5 4 2
South	♠ A 2	♥ A 10 7	♦ A K 9 8 6 4	♣ 9 6

The auction had been routine, but when dummy's king of clubs proved to be worthless, the contract had little chance of success. The opening club lead was covered by the king and ace. East, fearing a possible club ruff in dummy, shifted to a low trump. This was ducked to West's jack. West cashed the jack of clubs and East's count card told him that there was no club ruff coming, so it wasn't necessary to lead another trump, but that was his only safe exit.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♦	All pass		

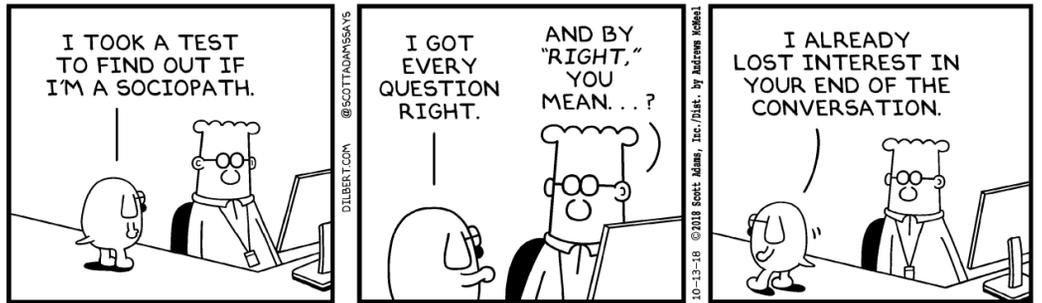
Opening lead: Queen of ♣

West made the attacking shift to the queen of hearts. This would have been a winner if his partner held the 10 of hearts, but it was not a winner on this deal. South won with his ace, drew trumps in two more rounds, and then led the 10 of hearts. East ducked this, of course, but he couldn't escape his fate.

South cashed all three of his remaining trumps, forcing East to come down to the doubleton king of spades and singleton king of hearts. Declarer exited with a heart to East's king. In this two-card ending, East had to lead a spade away from his king and declarer had his contract. Well played, even if there was a little bump in the defense.

— Bob Jones
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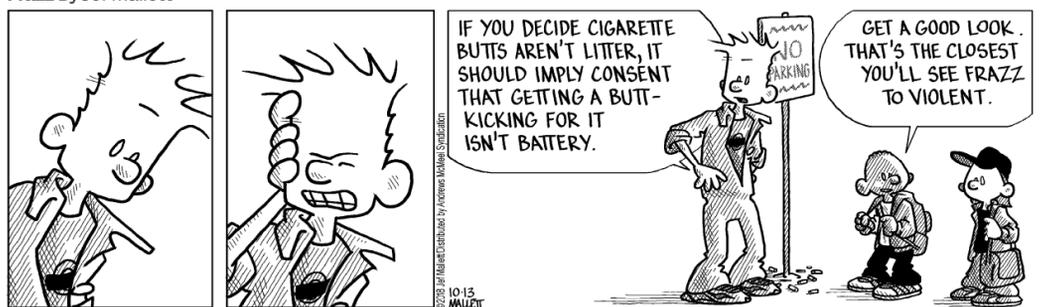
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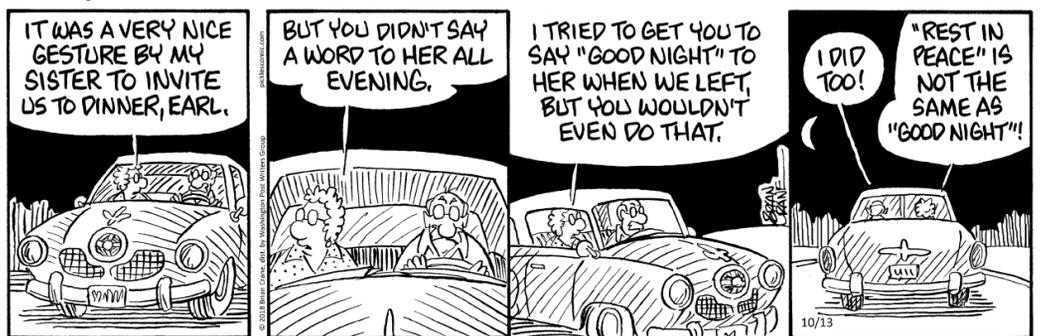
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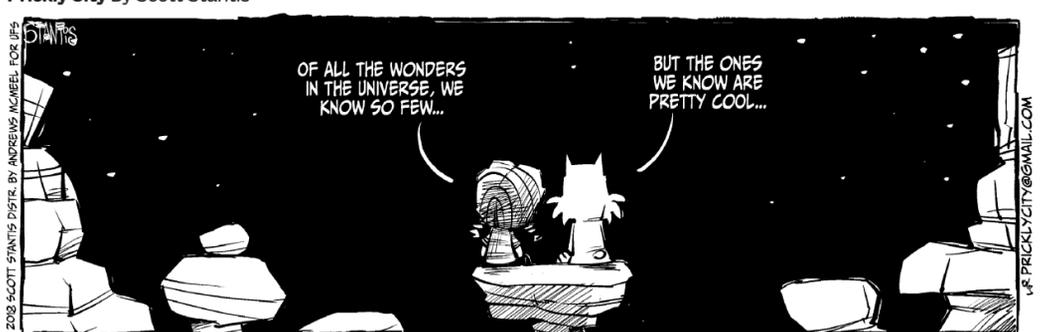
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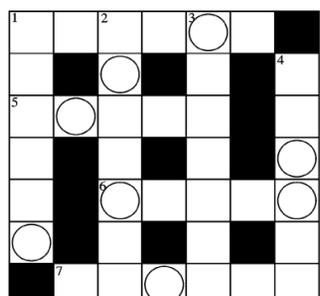


Trivia Bits

Which vitamin is essential for helping blood to clot?
A) A
B) D
C) E
D) K

Friday's answer: Rebecca De Mornay played the female lead in the 1983 film "Risky Business."

Jumble Crossword



ACROSS
CLUE ANSWER
1. Farm N E G A R
5. Priest E D P A R
6. Relationship, proportion T I R O A
7. Caught N S R D A E

DOWN
CLUE ANSWER
1. Type of ground squirrel E H R P G O
2. Fireplace log supporter N R N O A D I
3. Los Angeles A E E G R R T
4. Rejected O D E T V

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.

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DOUBLE BONUS

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

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CLUE: Aromatic perennial

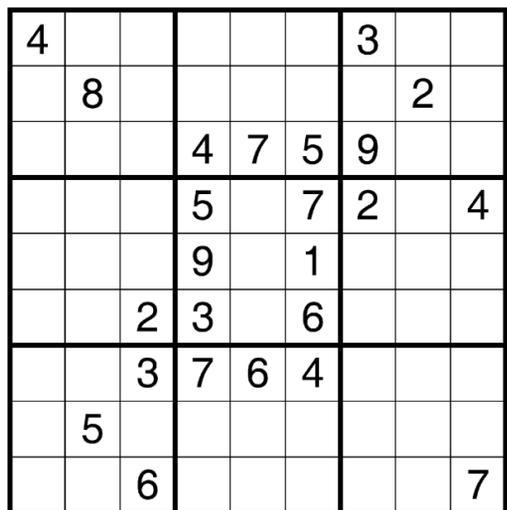
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7	1	9	6	3	5	4	8	2
6	3	2	1	8	4	5	9	7
1	9	5	8	7	3	6	2	4
2	4	8	5	9	6	1	7	3
3	7	6	2	4	1	9	5	8
5	6	7	4	1	8	2	3	9
9	8	1	3	6	2	7	4	5
4	2	3	9	5	7	8	6	1

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Friday's solutions

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Jumble

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

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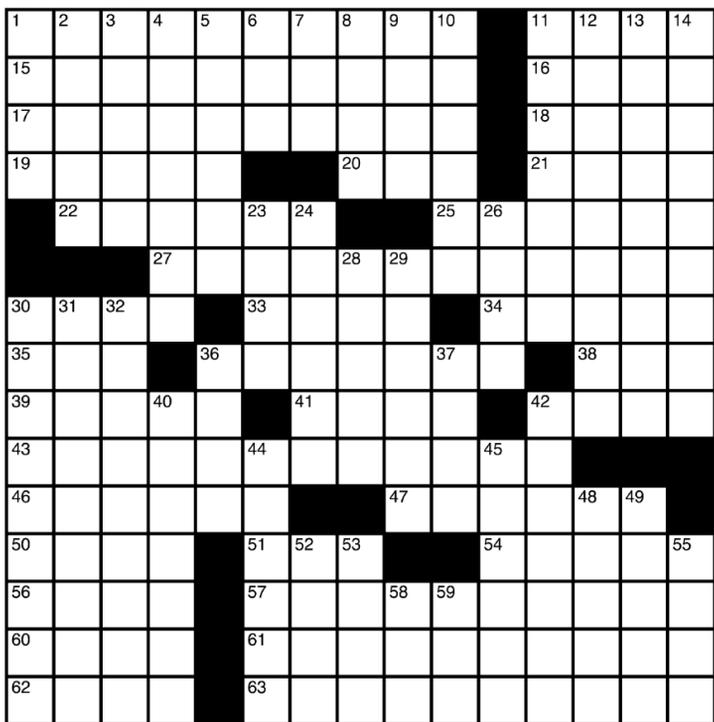
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Jumbles: HUNCH RADAR GUILTY BROKEN
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Crossword

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Across

- 1 N.A. boundary river
- 11 Pompano kin
- 15 "I agree"
- 16 Weight allowance
- 17 Emergency transportation method
- 18 Auricular
- 19 Originated
- 20 Fragrant garland
- 21 Two-time Tony-winning playwright Yasmina —
- 22 Word with rain or pine
- 25 Dodo
- 27 "The Quiet American" novelist
- 30 _ noir
- 33 Angela Lansbury role
- 34 Cookbook direction

- 35 You can tie one on
- 36 Court figure
- 38 Sea— Airport
- 39 Like Loki
- 41 Include "[sic]," perhaps
- 42 Skye of "Say Anything..."
- 43 "For what it's worth"
- 46 Says
- 47 Breaks
- 50 WTO predecessor
- 51 Recede
- 54 Odorless gas
- 56 Insignificantly
- 57 Bouncer's milieu
- 60 Ponderous pages
- 61 Salt and pepper
- 62 "Dizzy— fury and great rage of heart": Shak.
- 63 Part of a Kipling poem opening

- 12 Humored
- 13 Cesar Chavez, by birth
- 14 Debauchery
- 23 Arctic natives
- 24 Rustic roofing
- 26 Destinations for some PR deductions
- 28 Prenatal procedure, briefly
- 29 Connect (with)
- 30 Do a tense recitation?
- 31 Nick Hornby novel
- 32 There's one for everything
- 36 Become tedious
- 37 Sonic Dash publisher
- 40 Decided to keep
- 42 "No way!"
- 44 Trypanosome carrier
- 45 Wyandot people
- 48 Ritzy Twin Cities suburb
- 49 Many are hits
- 52 Spanish for "tar"
- 53 Meadow plants
- 55 Queen's domain
- 58 Calgary winter hrs.
- 59 Islands staple

Friday's solution



Down

- 1 Salt
- 2 Doberman pincher?
- 3 Key _
- 4 On the run
- 5 Crybaby
- 6 Call on the field
- 7 "Errare humanum"
- 8 Do perfectly
- 9 Theater
- 10 Trim
- 11 Left angrily, with "out"

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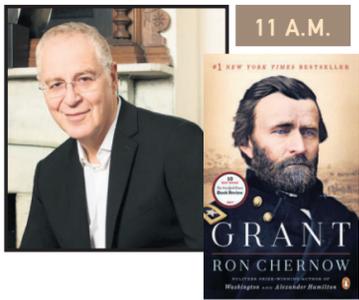
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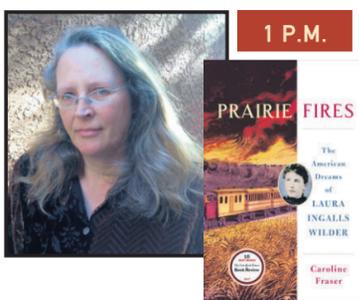
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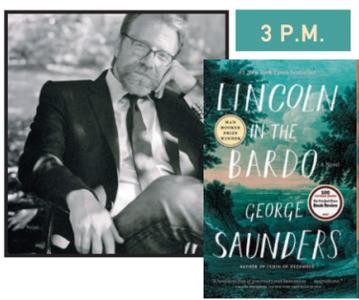
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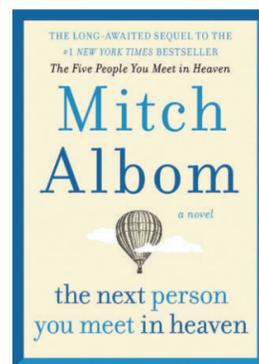
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BEARS

It's Miller time for offense

Rested, rehabbed WR cleared to return, eager to show what he can do

BY RICH CAMPBELL
Chicago Tribune

During the last week of September, as Anthony Miller sat out practices with a dislocated left shoulder, the enthusiastic rookie receiver still caught footballs on the sideline and injected himself into the Bears' daily machine however he could.

"He was a million miles an hour when he was down," offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich recalled.

Imagine, then, how Miller felt Sept. 30 on the sideline wearing a sweatshirt while quarterback Mitch Trubisky threw for 354 yards and six touchdowns against the Buccaneers.

Channel that eagerness for-



UP NEXT
Bears at Dolphins
Noon Sun., FOX-32

ward two weeks, and there was Miller in the locker room after practice Friday, deemed ready to play against the Dolphins on Sunday.

"We've been waiting on our offense to click," Miller said. "Our chemistry is getting better and better every week. Just to see guys eat like that out there, just to watch it, it was amazing. I'm just glad I can be a part of it this week."

Miller is expected to wear a harness to stabilize his shoulder. He wore one last season at Memphis on the same shoulder, so he downplayed the potential effect it could have on his range of motion or performance.

"This recent break we just got really helped me out," he said. "I got a lot of rest in and also did a lot

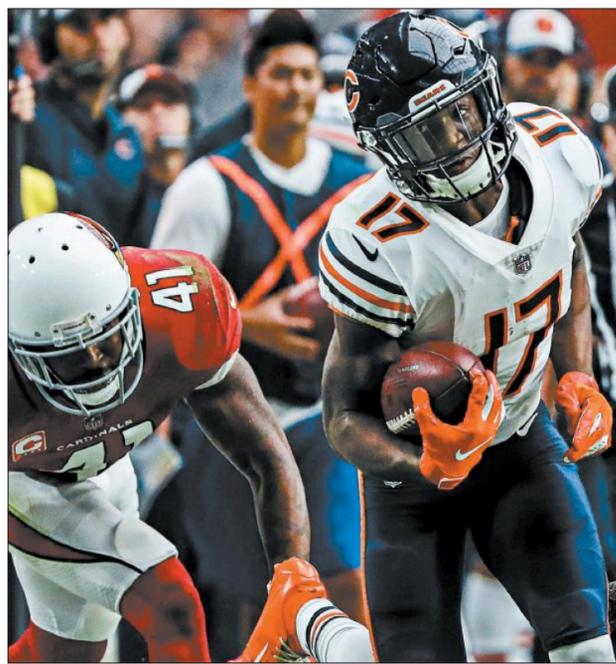
of rehab, so I'm feeling pretty strong out there."

Miller has eight catches for 60 yards and a touchdown this season as the Bears slot receiver. Nickel cornerback has been a weak spot for the Dolphins because their second cornerback Bobby McCain (knee) has been injured.

McCain, who was teammates with Miller in college, is listed as questionable for Sunday, so the Dolphins might have to shuffle their personnel again.

The injury news Friday was more promising for the Bears secondary. Cornerback Prince Amukamara (hamstring) fully participated in practice and is expected to play. Same with left guard Eric Kush (neck). Cornerback Marcus Cooper (hamstring) is the only player ruled out.

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Rookie receiver Anthony Miller is eager to get back in action Sunday against the Dolphins after being hurt Sept. 23 playing the Cardinals.

BLACKHAWKS

Demoted: Puzzling Saad on 4th line

Lack of offense pushes big-ticket forward away from Kane, Schmaltz

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

If Brandon Saad is upset he has been demoted from the Blackhawks' second line to their fourth, it wasn't evident Friday.

He expressed no outward emotion and the perplexing forward addressed the understandable move coach Joel Quenneville made just four games into the season in his always soft voice.

Saad took the move in stride — as he does everything — and appeared to embrace his new role that will begin in earnest Saturday night when the Blues visit the United Center.

"You see a lot of teams that win, (they) have balance throughout (their) lineups," Saad said. "So regardless of where you're at, you can't change your attitude or mindset. You have to come to work every day and have that success. We still have a pretty good fourth line here (with Marcus Kruger and David Kampf). We can contribute not only defensively but with scoring goals."

The Hawks' bottom six forwards have two goals in four games, so if Saad can help take the burden off Jonathan Toews, Alex DeBrincat and Patrick Kane, who have 13 of the team's 18 goals, it would be welcome.

To be sure, Saad likely isn't long for the fourth line. If he can get back to being the offensive force the Hawks think he can be he almost certainly will rejoin Kane and Nick Schmaltz on the second

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Blues at Blackhawks
7:30 p.m. Saturday, NBCSCH



NAM Y. HUH/AP

Jabari Parker (2) is defended by Nuggets forward Trey Lyles in the first half of the Bulls' loss Friday night in their last preseason game.

PRESEASON FINALE NUGGETS 98, BULLS 93

A jolt of Jabari

Parker pours in 19 with energized effort off bench

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Fred Hoiberg's Friday began with a talk and ended with a triumph.

No, the Bulls didn't beat the Nuggets, who prevailed 98-93 at the United Center to conclude the Bulls' 2-3 preseason schedule.

SEASON OPENER
Bulls at 76ers
7 p.m. Thursday, TNT
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But after meeting with Jabari Parker early Friday to reiterate the importance of his reserve role, Hoiberg watched the first-year Bull turn in his most engaged and energetic outing of the preseason. Parker scored eight straight fourth-quarter points to rally the Bulls, who committed 14 first-half turnovers and were

slow defensively.

Parker finished with 19 points and six rebounds on 7-for-11 shooting in 32 minutes. He exited without making himself available to reporters.

"He got it rolling. He was scoring, being himself," Bobby Portis said. "It's good to see my teammate have a great game like that. We need Jabari throughout the season. It was good for him to see the ball go in."

Nevertheless, a reserve role is one that he and Robin Lopez likely will have to get used to as

the lineup of Kris Dunn, Zach LaVine, Justin Holiday, Portis and Wendell Carter Jr. provided energy out of the gate again.

At this point, even though Hoiberg wouldn't say so publicly, it's that group's job to lose in advance of Thursday's regular-season opener in Philadelphia.

Hoiberg met with Parker before the morning shootaround to reiterate why he shifted Parker to the second unit before Wednesday's preseason victory over the

Turn to *Bulls*, Page 4



MATT SLOCUM/AP

NLCS GAME 1 BREWERS 6, DODGERS 5 Brewers hang on to win series opener

The Brewers bullpen — including Corey Knebel, above, who got the last out — holds off a late Dodgers rally to win Game 1 of the NLCS at Miller Park. **Page 4**

NFL

WEEK 6 PICKS

Belichick's crew aims at Mahomes

BY DAN WIEDERER AND RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

Tribune reporters Rich Campbell and Dan Wiederer are picking against the spread and each other this season. Campbell is in need of a confidence boost after going 1-10-1 the last two weeks. A tough slate of Week 6 games awaits.

(10 points for a win, minus-10 for a loss)

Season scoreboard: Wiederer 40, Campbell minus-40

Game of the week

Chiefs (plus 3) at Patriots
Campbell (3-2): Chiefs. Why am I not surprised by my free fall? I'm questioning everything after two abysmal weeks. This game does me no favors. But I'll go with the Chiefs based on the 83 points they've scored in their last two regular-season games against the Pats.

Wiederer (2-3): Patriots. Wait. Just. A. Second. Rich, weren't we just here in this space a few weeks back, lauding your perfect 70-point week? And now your season total is in the red? What in the world happened? Anyway. Back on topic, I'll invest here in Bill Belichick's ability to make a young quarterback (Patrick Mahomes) uncomfortable.

Lock of the week

Campbell (1-4): Rams (minus 7) at Broncos. The way I've been losing games, I wouldn't even lock my front door right now. I'll try to simplify it here, though. The NFL's best team over a team that has not covered a spread yet. Yes, I realize the Rams failed to cover on the road last week. Oh, boy, here I go ...
Wiederer (1-4): Vikings (minus 9 1/2) vs. Cardinals. With each passing week, I find myself coming around more on Kirk Cousins. The Vikings are certainly better than their 2-2-1 record. And after laying an egg in their last home game — a 27-6 loss to the Bills in Week 3 — this feels like a classic statement game at U.S. Bank Stadium.

Upset of the week

Campbell (2-3): Steelers (+110) at Bengals. Last season, these teams played one of the most violent games in recent memory. It ended with the Steelers' fifth straight victory in Cincinnati. I know to downgrade the Steelers on the road, and I like the Bengals a lot this season, but I'll take my chances here.
Wiederer (2-3): Cowboys (+150) vs. Jaguars. Circle this as the NFL's fishy game of Week 6, the one in which the result will defy all pregame logic. After a brutal overtime loss Sunday night in Houston, Ezekiel Elliott and the 'Boys not only do enough to stay close against the NFL's top-ranked defense, but also make a big play late for the upset.

Just for fun

Campbell (1-3-1): Falcons (minus 3) vs. Buccaneers. None of this is fun when you're losing like I am. But, hey, that's why you get back on the horse. Just like the Falcons, in fact, who have lost three straight in a difficult stretch of their schedule. I think they get right at home against Jameis Winston in his first start of the year.

Wiederer (4-0-1): Texans (minus 8 1/2) vs. Bills. Receiver DeAndre Hopkins is crazy good and starting to catch fire with quarterback Deshaun Watson. After an 0-3 start, the Texans have posted back-to-back overtime wins and seem ready to get on a roll.

Stay away

Campbell (3-2): 49ers (plus 9 1/2) at Packers. The Packers are better than the 49ers in all three phases. But Aaron Rodgers suffered a setback Sunday to the left knee he injured against the Bears. And Rodgers' receiving corps continues to play at less than full strength. The back door will be open at Lambeau.
Wiederer (4-1): Ravens (minus 2 1/2) at Titans. A hype-free meeting between two ordinary 3-2 teams. Fire up! For TV viewers, at least Kevin Harlan will be able to inject some artificial excitement into this snoozefest.

Close to home

Bears (minus 3) at Dolphins
Campbell (2-2): Bears. I picked a three-point Bears win, but I'm not going to predict a push here. This game begins and ends with the Bears defensive front dictating the game against a banged-up Dolphins offensive line. I'm curious to see the offense's encore after last game's 48-point outburst, especially against an opportunistic Dolphins defense on the road. I think they'll do enough.
Wiederer (3-1): Bears. This feels like an express train to push city, but I'm backing the vibe inside Halas Hall right now. The Bears are united, hungry and dialed in on the details that have catalyzed their 3-1 start. They're also a healthier and more confident team than the Dolphins.

Close to home, total

Bears-Dolphins o/u 41 1/2
Campbell (2-2): Under. We can count on the Bears defense doing its thing against one of the NFL's lowest-scoring offenses. I question how much the Bears offense will contribute to the total on the road against an opportunistic defense. I wouldn't be surprised if the offense is efficient, but I'll lean toward the under.
Wiederer (2-2): Over. Based on principle alone, that total feels too low to take the under. But during this three-game winning streak, the Bears defense has held opponents to an average of 13.7 points. Can you feel how wishy-washy I am here? Still, Matt Nagy's offense will make enough big plays to lift the total.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL



NATI HARNIK/AP

Adrian Martinez will be a handful for Northwestern to deal with Saturday at home against Nebraska.



Nebraska at Northwestern

TV/radio: 11 a.m. Saturday; ABC-7, WGN-AM 720.
Line: Northwestern by 4.
Records: Nebraska 0-5, 0-3 Big Ten; Northwestern 2-3, 2-1.



Pittsburgh at Notre Dame

TV/radio: 1:30 p.m. Saturday; NBC-5, WMVP-AM 1000.
Line: Notre Dame by 21.
Records: Pittsburgh 3-3; Notre Dame 6-0.



Purdue at Illinois

TV/radio: 2:30 p.m. Saturday; FS1, WSCR-AM 670.
Line: Purdue by 10 1/2.
Records: Purdue 2-3, 1-1 Big Ten; Illinois 3-2, 1-1.

KEYS TO THE GAME

1. Find a rushing attack. Coach Pat Fitzgerald challenged his offensive line by saying Michigan State "pretty much kicked our ass up front." The shifty Solomon Vault is due for a breakout game, and John Moten IV will get some chances after having zero attempts last week. Freshmen Isaiah Bowser and the speedy Drake Anderson also figure to get a crack. Nebraska is allowing 5.2 yards per carry, second-most in the Big Ten, and is banged up at inside linebacker.
2. Deal with Adrian Martinez. Nebraska's freshman quarterback has Heisman-caliber ability. Martinez misfired on more than a half-dozen throws in last week's 41-24 loss at Wisconsin but still passed for 384 yards and rushed for 57. Nebraska has big-time receivers in JD Spielman and Stanley Morgan and jet quickness in freshman Maurice Washington. Northwestern is typically vulnerable in the secondary, but top cornerback Montre Hartage is healthy and Fitzgerald is thrilled with the emergence of Cameron Ruiz.
3. Get the home fans in the game. Ryan Field will be stuffed for homecoming, with a good chunk of the crowd wearing red. The Wildcats are 0-3 at home. Fitzgerald used the fifth anniversary of ESPN's "College GameDay" visit to Evanston to declare: "I wish our students partied like that every game. Knowing what I know at 43, I would party my rear end off every Saturday."

1. Jump out to a quick lead. Two years ago, Pitt won at Clemson 43-42 when the Tigers were No. 2 in the College Football Playoff rankings. Last year, the Panthers defeated Miami 24-14 when the Hurricanes were No. 2 in the CFP rankings. This year's first playoff rankings don't come out until Oct. 30, but the Irish are No. 5 in the AP poll. One way to avoid an upset is to set the tone early. The Irish did that last week, scoring a touchdown on their opening drive at Virginia Tech.
2. Slow Pitt's rushing attack. The Panthers had two 100-yard rushers in last week's 44-37 overtime win against Syracuse. Qadree Ollison ran for 192 yards and a touchdown, and Darrin Hall added 107 yards and two scores, including the game-winning 3-yard run. Ollison is averaging just shy of 100 yards with 596 in six games and five touchdowns. Pitt is 39th in the nation in rushing offense, averaging 203.8 yards, while Notre Dame's run defense ranks 40th at 127.8 yards allowed per game.
3. Keep handing off to Dexter Williams. The senior running back followed up his 166-yard performance against Stanford with 178 yards at Virginia Tech, including a 97-yard touchdown run. There figures to be room to run Saturday. Pitt is 105th nationally in rushing defense, allowing 196.8 yards per game. Tony Jones Jr. will also be a factor for the Irish after recovering from an ankle injury.

1. Keep the takeaway train rolling. Purdue had six turnovers in its first three games — all losses — but only two in its last two games, victories against Boston College and Nebraska. Quarterback David Blough has thrown only one interception in 151 passes, and that was on a trick play against Missouri. The Illinois defense, meanwhile, has feasted on turnovers with at least two takeaways in every game. The Illini picked off three Rutgers passes in last week's road victory. Continuing to convert turnovers into scores could be the difference.
2. Don't let Blough go off. Since emerging as the starter from a time-splitting situation with Elijah Sindelar, Blough has passed for 1,196 yards in three games and completed 68 percent of his throws with seven touchdowns and the one pick. The Illini's eight sacks are tied for 10th in the Big Ten — only Wisconsin has fewer — and their pass defense ranks 13th, allowing 289.4 yards per game.
3. Build on last week's momentum. The Illini haven't won back-to-back Big Ten games since 2014. The victory at Rutgers snapped a 13-game conference losing streak. They now return to Memorial Stadium, where they will wear their "Gray Ghost" uniforms for homecoming. The chance to have a winning Big Ten record should be motivation to get fans in their seats for the afternoon game. Will Illinois enjoy a home-field edge?

THE WINNER

Teddy Greenstein's pick: Road teams thrive in this series, and Nebraska can light up a scoreboard. Expect a tight, entertaining game. *Northwestern 35, Nebraska 34.*

LaMond Pope's pick: Pitt has allowed at least 37 points in four of its six games, so expect another big offensive day for the Irish. *Notre Dame 42, Pittsburgh 20.*

Shannon Ryan's pick: Purdue has momentum now behind Blough. The Boilermakers aren't Rutgers. *Purdue 32, Illinois 24.*

NFL NOTES

Shurmur: Manning remains Giants QB

News services

Despite mounting losses and a first season quickly turning into a mess, Pat Shurmur is sticking with Eli Manning as the Giants quarterback.

Shurmur never hesitated Friday when asked if he was considering a change in the wake of a 34-13 loss to the Eagles that dropped the Giants to 1-5.

"We believe in Eli," Shurmur said.

It was as simple as that. There will be no change to either veteran Alex Tanney or rookie Kyle Lauletta.

Shurmur acknowledged Manning made some mistakes in the loss Thursday night at MetLife Stadium, but so did a lot of other players.

When he was pressed about whether he would give Lauletta a chance to play if the season slipped away, Shurmur stopped the question.

"Listen, we're not talking

about a quarterback change," Shurmur said.

Statistically, Manning, 37, has played well.

He has hit 158 of 230 passes for 1,662 yards, six touchdowns and four interceptions. His nearly 69 percent completion percentage would be a career best.

Kaep gets apology: The 49ers apologized for initially leaving Colin Kaepernick out of a photo gallery celebrating the team's history against the Packers.

The team posted dozens of photos on its website of past games against the Packers before the teams meet again Monday night without at first including any of Kaepernick.

The team later added photos of Kaepernick.

This is the first photo gallery the team has run this year but pictures of Kaepernick were included in all seven photo galleries posted on the team's website last year.

SATURDAY'S GAMES TO WATCH

LSU **Georgia at LSU**
 2:30 p.m., CBS-2
 The Bulldogs are banged up on both lines for their first trip to Death Valley in 10 years; the Tigers are recovering from last week's loss at Florida.

WO **Washington at Oregon**
 2:30 p.m., ABC-7
 In what might prove the decisive game in the Pac-12 North, a win by the Ducks would deal another blow to the Pac-12's College Football Playoff hopes.

Colorado at USC
 9:30 p.m., FS1

Buffaloes WR Laviska Shenault is worth staying up for. Wins by Colorado and Washington would set up a massive Week 8 matchup in Seattle. — Joel Boyd

Missouri at Alabama
 6 p.m., ESPN
 After giving up 249 yards and three TDs to South Carolina backup Michael Scarnecchia, the Tigers won't be thrilled to see Tide QB Tua Tagovailoa.

Wisconsin at Michigan
 6:30 p.m., ABC-7
 The Wolverines are 2-8 against AP top-15 teams under Jim Harbaugh, with the last win coming in 2016 against the Badgers.

CUBS

CUBS OFFSEASON QUESTIONS INFELDERS

Bryant (and questions) to stay

BY MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

This is the fourth in a series of position-by-position analyses about the Cubs entering the offseason.

1. Does Kris Bryant stay with the Cubs? If so, at third base? Relax, folks.

The Cubs, like most teams with plenty of young talent several years away from free agency, attempt to sign those players to extensions in the offseason.

But there is no truth to the report the Cubs offered Bryant an extension "well north of \$200 million" that Bryant and agent Scott Boras rejected. In fact, there's no current activity on extensions with Bryant or any of their young core players as they hit the reset button after the 2018 season. That usually takes place after the bulk of the roster for the upcoming season is completed.

Besides, there are very rare cases in which players Boras represents sign extensions with years left before they become free agents. And Boras' track record is exceptional.

Bryant has plenty of incentive to rebound after an injury-plagued season in which his power, like that of many of his teammates, declined. He's projected to receive a raise from \$10.85 million in 2018 of "only" \$1.55 million as a second-year arbitration eligible player. That also should motivate him, although money isn't Bryant's sole fuel to succeed.

As for third base, Bryant is the Cubs' best alternative because of their uncertainty at shortstop, and the Cubs' infield defense would be strongest with Javier Baez playing either shortstop or second base. Ian Happ receives plenty of pregame work at third but started only 12 games there — the same as Tommy La Stella.

Bryant liked playing the outfield on occasion, taking note that he started a career-high 48 games in there when he won the 2016 NL Most Valuable Player award. But his future remains at third — for now.

2. Who's at shortstop? Assuming that Addison Russell doesn't return, the quick answer would be Baez, who possesses a stronger arm and has played extremely well at short in place of Russell over each of the past two seasons.

Under the supervision of coach Brian Butterfield, Russell's footwork improved, but several of his throws tailed or dipped and presented a challenge for first baseman Anthony Rizzo. Russell coped with a sore



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cubs infielders Anthony Rizzo, left, and Kris Bryant faced difficulties last season. Rizzo is reaching the age when he'll need more rest, and Bryant battled injuries much of the year.

right shoulder in the second half, and a swollen left middle finger affected his hitting.

Russell's lack of power and subpar batting average presented challenges for a front office that traded starting pitchers Jeff Samardzija and Jason Hammel for him in a five-player deal 4½ seasons ago because they forecast elite all-around production for him.

President Theo Epstein displayed sincerity in emphasizing the need to help Russell in the wake of his 40-game suspension for violating Major League Baseball's domestic-abuse policy.

But the reality is Russell, 24, likely has played his final game with the Cubs, given his suspension concluded a subpar, injury-plagued season.

3. Is Manny Machado a possibility? Assuming that the options of Cole Hamels and Pedro Strop are picked up, the Cubs would have slightly more than \$123 million earmarked for 14 players for 2019. That figure/ does not include arbitration eligible players such as Bryant, Baez and Kyle Hendricks.

There would be some wiggle room for Machado, but the Cubs would have to be

creative in structuring a multi-year deal unless they move one or two contracts. They already have committed \$77 million to six players for 2020.

The Cubs were focused solely on pitching while Machado was available before he was dealt to the Dodgers last July. Since then, Russell's status and the collective offensive struggles in the second half leave a void that Machado could fill — but the cost likely would be the richest contract in franchise history.

4. How much mileage does Anthony Rizzo have left? One of the strangest scenes of the 2018 season was watching Daniel Murphy — not Rizzo — play the final five innings of the National League wild-card game at first base.

This is not to suggest Rizzo is done, as he was replaced by speedy pinch-runner Terrance Gore only because the Cubs were desperate to score a run. Rizzo still played in at least 153 games and drove in at least 101 runs for the fourth consecutive season.

He achieved that despite missing eight games in April because of back tightness. The layoff disrupted his timing at the plate, and he didn't surpass the .200 mark until May 18.

Rizzo, to his credit, seemed to get stronger without rest. He played in every game after July 10, and his batting averaged swelled by 43 points to .283 at the end of the regular season.

But for the first time in five seasons, he didn't hit at least 31 home runs and his OPS dropped below .899 (.846).

As Rizzo (29) gets older, there might be a need to give him more rest despite his 2018 production. A healthy Bryant could provide Rizzo with an occasional break while still providing some form of protection for Baez.

Rizzo hit only six of his 25 home runs to center or left field, and he expressed a perplexed look after the Cubs' sudden elimination from the playoffs when whether he and his offensive teammates lost their slugging ability.

Rizzo used to give shift-happy teams like the Pirates fits with singles through the left side. But many opponents were pounding him inside frequently and inducing hard, but routine grounders to second base and shallow right field — where defenders were properly positioned. That tempered the fact Rizzo struck out only 80 times, his fewest total in any full season and once per 12 plate appearances. His on-base percentage of .376 is in line with his career mark.

5. Who plays second base if Baez moves to shortstop? David Bote is a natural second baseman, but he batted .192 with 46 strikeouts in the final two months. "His swing is long, but he can run into a mistake," an NL scout observed.

Ben Zobrist was one of several late-inning replacements for Daniel Murphy, but he will turn 38 in May and relies more on his brains than his legs.

Free agent DJ LeMahieu, once a Cubs prospect, is an intriguing free agent because he has won two National League Gold Glove Awards for his defensive excellence, but his batting average has dipped 72 points over the last two seasons since winning the NL batting title. LeMahieu, 30, also batted .229 away from hitter-friendly Coors Field.

La Stella has improved defensively since joining the Cubs in 2015, but he's more valuable as a pinch-hitter.

Which brings us to Jed Lowrie, a free agent who produced a .353 on-base percentage as a middle-of-the-order hitter with the Athletics and has produced an OPS above .800 in each of the last two seasons. Lowrie, 34, also can play third base. Jason McLeod, the Cubs' senior vice president of scouting/player development, drafted him for the Red Sox in 2005 (45th overall).

Turnover in the batting cage: 5 potential hitting coach hires

BY MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

Return of the launch angle?

Revival of the clutch hit?

The next Cubs hitting coach will try to maximize the skills of an offense that has yet to reach its potential despite winning the 2016 World Series.

Here's a look at five potential candidates, listed in alphabetical order, to become the Cubs' third hitting coach in three seasons:

Andy Haines

Current job: Cubs assistant hitting coach.

Background: Haines, 41, worked closely the past two seasons with former hitting coaches John Mallee and Chili Davis, so he has vast knowledge of the batters' strengths, weaknesses and tendencies. He managed for seven seasons in the Marlins farm system (2009-15), and one former Marlins executive believed Haines was overdue for a major-league coaching position that never crystallized. Haines left the Marlins to join the Cubs player development staff as minor-league hitting coordinator.

Eric Hinske

Current job: Angels hitting coach.

Background: Hinske's future is in the hands of the next Angels manager, but he might be able to smooth the rough edges Cubs hitters have shown over the past two seasons. The Cubs hired Hinske before the 2014 season as their first-base coach and liked having a coach not far removed from a 12-year playing career. Hinske, now 41, was careful not to interfere with Mallee's teachings during three seasons as assistant hitting coach. He did form an instant connection with Anthony Rizzo. Nevertheless, it would be tough for a coach of Hinske's talents to join a staff as tenuous as the Cubs' with manager Joe Maddon entering the final season of his contract.

Anthony Iapoce

Current job: Rangers hitting coach.

Background: The status of Iapoce and other Rangers coaches won't be determined until a new manager is hired. Iapoce, 45, served as a special assistant to the general manager/player development with the Cubs from 2013 to '15. He's familiar with many of their young hitters, including Kris Bryant, Javier Baez, Willson Contreras and Albert Almora Jr. Iapoce worked for three seasons as a roving minor-league coordinator with the Blue Jays (2010-12) and was a minor-league coach for the Marlins in 2008 and '09. The Rangers finished 14th in the AL this season with a .240 batting average and 1,484 strikeouts.



JIM COWSERT/FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Dave Magadan could be a candidate to take over as the Cubs' hitting coach.

Dave Magadan

Current job: None.

Background: He was released Oct. 1 after three seasons with the Diamondbacks (2016-18) but did his best work with the Red Sox (2007-12), for whom Cubs President Theo Epstein served as general manager during Magadan's first five seasons. The Red Sox led the majors in pitches per plate appearance (3.94) during Magadan's supervision, and the Diamondbacks set a franchise record in 2017 with 220 home runs and tied a National League record with 10 players with at least 10 homers. Magadan, 56, also served as Padres hitting coach from 2003 to '06 following a 16-year playing career that featured one season with the Cubs (1996).

Kevin Youkilis

Current job: Cubs baseball operations assistant, brewery owner.

Background: Family and business obligations make Youkilis' candidacy a long shot. But Youkilis, 39, spends extensive time around the team in spring training, evaluates hitters in preparation for the amateur draft and has the respect of a few batters. He understands the importance of reaching base with great frequency and hitting for power after a 10-year playing career curtailed by back problems. Youkilis is destined to be a major-league coach or manager.

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Red-hot Brewers hold on

With 12th straight win, they jump out to 1-0 series lead

BY GENARO C. ARMAS
Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Reliever Brandon Woodruff stunned ace Clayton Kershaw with a solo home run and the normally shutdown Brewers bullpen barely held on as they beat the sloppy Dodgers 6-5 on Friday night in Game 1 of the National League Championship Series.

Hard-throwing Josh Hader and the Brewers earned their 12th straight win, one shy of the franchise record set to open the 1987 season.

The Dodgers scored three times in the eighth to make it 6-4, then nearly tied it in the ninth. Chris Taylor hit an RBI triple off center fielder Lorenzo Cain's glove with two outs before Corey Knebel fanned Justin Turner to end it.

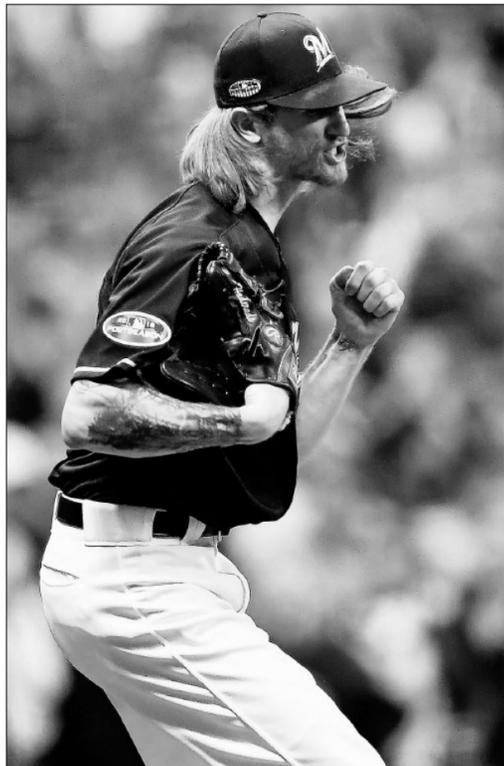
Manny Machado homered and drove in three runs for Dodgers, who committed four errors, including two by catcher Yasmani Grandal on passed balls.

Kershaw was hit hard in the shortest start of his spotty playoff career and was chased before he could retire in the fourth inning.

The three-time Cy Young Award winner holds the team records for playoff wins (eight), starts (21), innings (133) and strikeouts (144), but is just 8-8 with a 4.26 ERA in 26 career postseason appearances.

The Dodgers dropped to 13-13 when Kershaw takes the mound in the playoffs.

Kershaw, 30, quieted some of those October questions when the Dodgers won the NL pennant last year for the first time since 1988, going 3-0 with a 3.82 ERA in six appearances.



STACY REVERE/GETTY

Reliever Josh Hader pumps his fist after closing out the sixth inning during the Brewers' 6-5 win Friday night.

SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Brewers leads series 1-0

G1: Brewers 6, Dodgers 5

G2: Dodgers (Ryu)

at Brewers (Miley)

G3: Brewers (Chacin)

at Dodgers (Buehler)

G4: Brewers at Dodgers

8:09 p.m. Tuesday, FS1

G5: Brewers at Dodgers

4:05 p.m. Wednesday, FS1

G6: Dodgers at Brewers

7:39 p.m. Oct. 19, FS1

G7: Dodgers at Brewers

8:09 p.m. Oct. 20, FS1

Games 5-7 if necessary

LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Taylor lf-2b	5	1	3	1	1	.600
Turner 3b	5	0	0	0	4	.000
Freesee 1b	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Municy ph-1b	2	1	0	2	0	.000
Machado ss	4	1	2	3	1	.500
Kemp rf	4	0	2	1	1	.500
Hernandez 2b	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Puig ph	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Bellinger cf	4	0	0	0	.000	
Grandal c	4	0	1	0	2	.250
Kershaw p	1	0	0	0	.000	
Dozier ph	1	0	0	0	.000	
Pederson lf	1	2	0	0	.000	
TOTALS	35	5	8	5	13	

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Cain cf	5	1	3	0	0	.600
Yelich rf	4	0	0	0	3	.000
Braun lf	4	0	1	1	1	.250
Aguilar 1b	3	1	1	1	0	.333
Perez 2b	1	0	1	0	.000	
Shaw ph-2b	2	0	1	0	1	.500
Moustakas 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.250
Pina c	2	1	1	0	.500	
Arcia ss	4	1	1	0	.250	
Woodruff p	1	1	1	1	0	1.000
Santana ph	1	1	1	2	0	1.000
Hader p	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Kratz c	1	0	0	0	1	.000
TOTALS	33	6	11	6	8	

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Milwaukee	002	300	10x	-6	11	0

E: Taylor (1), Turner (1), Grandal 2 (2). LOB: LAD 6, Mil 8. 2B: Cain (1), 3B: Taylor (1). HR: Machado (1), off Gonzalez; Woodruff (1), off Kershaw; Aguilar (1), off Urias.

LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Kershaw, L, 0-1	3	6	5	4	2	12	2.00
Madson	1	1	0	0	0	1	0.00
Floro	1	1	0	0	1	1	0.00
Baez	1	1	0	0	3	0	0.00
Urias	1	2	1	0	0	3	0.00
Maeda	1	0	0	0	1	0	0.00

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gonzalez	2	1	1	1	1	4	5.00
Woodruff, W, 1-0	2	0	0	0	4	0	0.00
Hader, H, 1	3	2	0	0	4	0	0.00
Cedeno	1/2	1	1	1	0	27	0.00
Soria	1/2	1	2	1	1	54	0.00
Jeffress, H, 1	1/2	2	0	0	0	1	0.00
Knebel, S, 1-1	1	1	1	1	2	9	0.00

He pitched six sparkling innings in the NLCS-clinching victory at Wrigley Field against the Cubs, and worked four scoreless innings in relief in the Dodgers' Game 7 loss to the Astros in the World Series.

ALCS ASTROS AT RED SOX

Martinez: Failure paid off

Growing pains as Astro shaped Red Sox slugger

BY JIMMY GOLEN
Associated Press

BOSTON — J.D. Martinez wants to thank the Astros — not get back at them — for releasing him when he was struggling to make himself into a star.

The Red Sox slugger credits his growing pains in Houston for teaching him "how to fail," a lesson he credits with transforming him into an MVP candidate who helped the Red Sox win a franchise-record 108 games and reach the AL Championship Series against his former team.

"My failures in Houston is what made me who I am," Martinez said Friday, a day before the Astros and Red Sox open the best-of-seven series. "There's really no animosity there. In a sense they did me a favor by allowing me to leave and play on another team."

It will be the second straight year the Red Sox and Astros meet in the postseason — last year it was the ALDS — and the second straight year that aces Chris Sale will go against Justin Verlander in the opener.

The biggest difference this time: the Red Sox have Martinez on their side.

And the Astros could have.

Martinez made his big-league debut for the Astros in 2011, driving in 28 runs in his first full month in the majors.

After playing part time the next two years — hitting 18 homers with 91 RBIs in 199 games — he was 26 years old and batting .167 in the spring of 2014 when the Astros released him, preferring to give the at-bats to



MIKE STOBE/GETTY

Red Sox outfielder J.D. Martinez on his early-career struggles: "My failures in Houston is what made me who I am."

SCHEDULE

G1: Astros (Verlander)

at Red Sox (Sale)

7:09 p.m. Saturday, TBS

G2: Astros (Cole)

at Red Sox (Price)

6:09 p.m. Sunday, TBS

G3: Red Sox at Astros

4:09 p.m. Tuesday, TBS

G4: Red Sox at Astros

7:39 p.m. Wednesday, TBS

G5: Red Sox at Astros

7:09 p.m. Thursday, TBS

G6: Astros at Red Sox

4:09 p.m. Oct. 20, TBS

G7: Astros at Red Sox

6:39 p.m. Oct. 21, TBS

Games 5-7 if necessary

playing just 62 games in the NL.

"I always believed he's going to be the player he is right now," said Astros second baseman Jose Altuve, the reigning AL MVP, who came up through the minors with Martinez. "He got a couple of tough years with us in the big leagues. But I think the best thing that happened to him was going to the Tigers and becoming the player that he is."

Verlander was Martinez's teammate in Detroit and said he was "there from the moment he turned his career around."

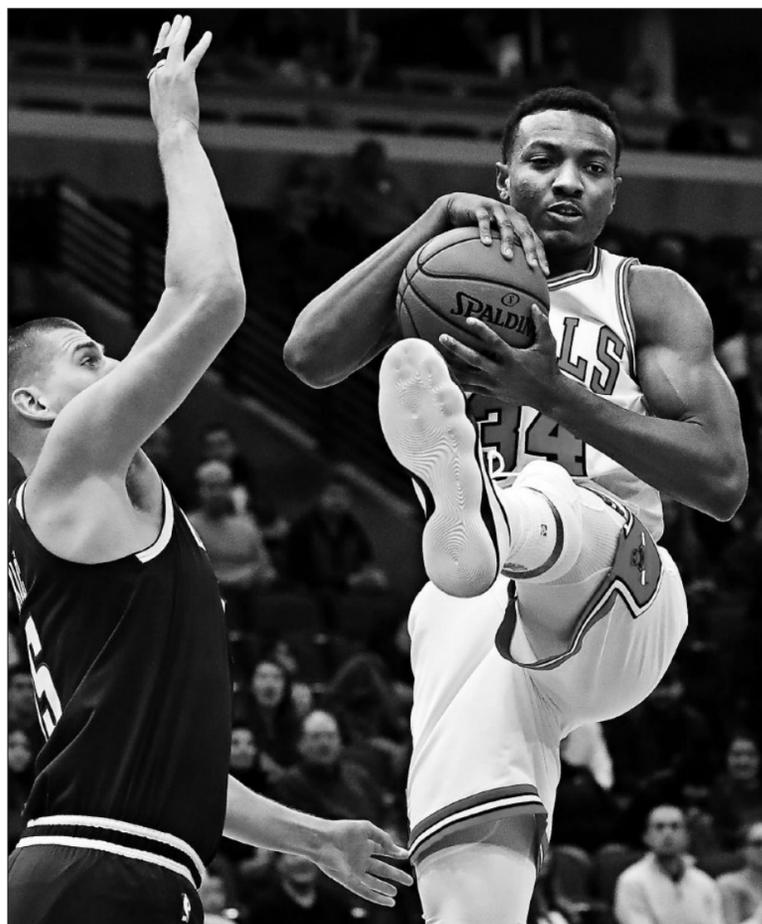
"He went and completely revamped his swing that offseason, and saw immediate dividends," Verlander said. "(He) never stopped hitting. Seeing somebody like that who works so hard and turned their career around to where he's at now, as a fellow player, and you respect it and I'm happy for him. I really am."

top prospect George Springer.

Martinez landed with the Tigers that season and by 2015 he was an All-Star, hitting 38 homers with 102 RBIs.

He hit 45 homers last year, when he was traded from the Tigers to Diamondbacks and was 14th in MVP voting despite

BULLS



NAM Y. HUH/AP

Wendell Carter Jr., right, pulls in a rebound against Nuggets center Nikola Jokic.

A jolt of Jabari

Bulls, from Page 1

Pacers. On Thursday, Parker told reporters he wasn't "really given any reason" other than "just different lineups," which directly contradicted Hoiberg's words and actions.

Hoiberg told reporters and Parker on Wednesday that he wanted Parker in a "point forward" role with the reserves.

"Jabari and I had a good talk again (Friday) morning. He knows how important his role is in that second unit, to be a facilitator on offense. I thought he made some really good reads with the ball in his hands," Hoiberg said. "That's an important role. And he understands that."

The Bulls need to understand ball security. Dunn committed six turnovers and LaVine added four more in the first half alone. Overall, the Nuggets scored 20 points off 19 turnovers and the ensuing gift-wrapped possessions.

Even before his scoring outburst in the fourth quarter, Parker pushed pace as the facilitator in transition on several occasions.

That's why Dunn reacted with surprise when asked if Parker moving to a reserve role has affected team chemistry.

"Hasn't affected the locker room at all," Dunn said. "He's doing well. He's still communicating. He's having a good personality. And he's not letting it affect the locker room."

After scoring 12 first-half points on 5-for-8 shooting, LaVine sat the entire second half. Hoiberg started Ryan Arcidiacono and said he merely wanted to experiment with lineups, having seen enough from LaVine this preseason.

LaVine sank his only 3-point attempt, which proved an anomaly for the Bulls. They went 9-for-33 from 3-point range and finished the preseason at a dreadful 28.9 percent.

Still, with the drudgery of the preseason over and the regular season in sight, there's excitement for

BULLS NOTES

Portis praises Rondo

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Both Kris Dunn and Fred Hoiberg praised Bobby Portis for being more vocal on the defensive end this preseason, which they said has promoted energy and communication from others.

In that sense, Portis is just paying it forward.

"I played with Rajon Rondo," Portis said, deflecting credit to the former Bulls and current Lakers guard. "He talked all the time and helped me understand how the big man can be the point guard of the defense because we're in the back and we see the floor."

Portis has been known more for his offense than defense in his first three seasons. But he always has been a decent defensive rebounder. And if he holds onto the starting power forward spot over Jabari Parker until Lauri Markkanen returns from his elbow injury, Portis wants to affect both ends.

"We all need to guard," he said.

Portis has had a strong preseason while his representation and Bulls management try to reach agreement on an extension by Monday's deadline. Portis would become a restricted free agent next summer if no deal is consummated by then.

Not unexpectedly, a significant gap remains to be closed, although deadlines have a funny way of making negotiating sides get more serious. Working in both sides' favor is the fact Portis wants to remain a

Bull long term. And the Bulls have a strong relationship with Portis' agent, the Chicago-based Mark Bartelstein.

In fact, it was Bartelstein who negotiated not only Parker's return to his hometown team but also the deadline-day extension for Taj Gibson in 2012.

Small steps: Denzel Valentine moved well and took some shots as Friday's morning shootaround at the United Center concluded. But the third-year guard missed all five preseason games after spraining his surgically repaired left ankle on the first day of training camp.

And Hoiberg wouldn't even commit to Valentine being ready for Thursday's regular-season opener.

"He still has not done anything live in practice. He's starting to ramp up his activity. But it's all in a 1-on-0 situation," Hoiberg said. "We'll see how he reacts to this. We'll continue to take it day-by-day with him."

Roster roulette: With 20 players still in camp, the Bulls were poised for cuts after Friday's final preseason game against the Nuggets. Sources said Ryan Arcidiacono will stick in some fashion, either as the 15th roster spot or with another two-way contract. Rawle Alkins is on a two-way contract already. That leaves Antonius Cleveland, JaKarr Sampson, Kaiser Gates and Derrick Walton Jr. vulnerable.

what's ahead.

"Everybody has bought in," Dunn said. "If there are questions, players ask, and the coaches do a good job of giving us the answers and

trying to get everybody on the same page. That's the biggest thing."

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Butler skips T'wolves' game

BY CHARLES F. GARDNER
Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — After a drama-filled week, Jimmy Butler was not with the Timberwolves on Friday for their preseason finale against the Bucks.

Butler has demanded a trade but returned to practice Wednesday, a session that included him verbally challenging teammates and coaches. The Timberwolves canceled practice Thursday.

Coach Tom Thibodeau,

speaking publicly for the first time since Wednesday's heated practice, said Friday that Butler stayed in Minneapolis to do conditioning work and had not been suspended.

Asked if Butler would play in the season opener Wednesday against the Spurs in San Antonio, Thibodeau said: "The situation remains fluid."

Butler told ESPN after practice Wednesday that his issues with the Timberwolves have not been resolved.

"Let's just be honest. It

could be," Butler said in the interview. "But do I think so? No."

Center Karl-Anthony Towns would not address what happened at that practice or whether players held a meeting Thursday, as was reported.

"The only thing that needs to be clarified is we're excited to pick up a basketball here today in Milwaukee," Towns said. Asked if he would be happy to play with Butler in the season opener, Towns said, "I'm happy to play basketball with anybody."

BLACKHAWKS

BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Gimmick at practice turns out to be a stiff

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

There was a newcomer on the ice at Blackhawks practice Friday. A quiet fellow who went by the name of Manny Quinn.

OK, it was a mannequin. A real, honest-to-goodness mannequin.

Dressed in full hockey gear, including a black practice jersey, hockey pants and a helmet with the No. 53 on the back, the mannequin was brought on the ice during the latter half of practice to help with setting realistic screens on goalies and getting shots through on defense, among other things.

The idea to use a mannequin in practice came from assistant coach Ulf Samuelsson. Coach Joel Quenneville offered up a mock assessment of the mannequin's performance.

"I thought he was just OK out there today," Quenneville joked.

Twitter wasn't as kind. "Just like Schmaltz — doesn't shoot," read one tweet.

"It's Stan's latest free-agent signing with no movement clause," read another referring to general manager Stan Bowman.

Upon further review: When the Blackhawks went to a power play with 77 seconds left Thursday night against the Wild, Quenneville considered using his timeout before deciding against it. The Wild went on to score a shorthanded goal with 23 seconds left to tie the game 3-3 in regulation before winning in overtime.

"Do we call the timeout to help them or is the timeout just going to help us?" Quenneville wondered Friday. "But that was something, in hindsight, we could have called timeout. It might have helped us."

One-timers: Cam Ward will get his fifth straight start in goal Saturday night at the United Center against the Blues. ... If Nick Schmaltz' older brother Jordan is in the lineup for the Blues as expected it will mark the first time the two have faced each other in the NHL. ... The Hawks scored their first power-play goal of the season Thursday night against the Wild and are now 1-for-15. Six NHL teams are still without a power-play score: the Wild, Golden Knights, Panthers, Kings, Predators and Lightning.



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Brandon Saad's lack of offense has continued from last season into the first four games.

Saad sent down to 4th line

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line. Quenneville replaced him with speedy rookie Alexandre Fortin, who made his NHL debut Thursday night in a 4-3 overtime loss to the Wild.

But just how soon Saad, 25, will return to his former line is difficult to say. Saad's scoring slump has gone on for a full season, a remarkable turn of events for a player who had been a known quantity during his first 4½ seasons in the league, three of which were spent with the Hawks.

Saad memorably had five goals and two assists in the first four games last season, his first back with the Hawks after an off-season trade with the Blue Jackets. Since then, including the lone assist he has in four games this season, Saad has 29 points — 13 goals, 16 assists — over 82 games, which is the equivalent of one NHL season. In his two seasons with the Blue Jackets, he scored 55 goals with 53 assists.

To put that in even more perspective,

Saad had 27 points in 46 games during his 2012-13 rookie season with the Hawks when his salary-cap hit of \$764,167 made him an excellent value. Now his cap hit is \$6 million on a contract that runs through the 2020-21 season.

"Whether it works or not, he can help us in that situation," Quenneville said of moving Saad. "That (fourth) line could be dangerous in a number of ways. It's not like the opportunity is never going to come back there."

Saad missed a short-handed breakaway late in the third period against the Wild that likely would have secured a victory.

"The breakaway, obviously you would like to bury that especially with them coming back," Saad said. "But it's just sticking with it, staying positive, getting around that net and they're going to find a way in for you."

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Birns, Dorothy E.

Dorothy E. Birns, 97, of Elgin, formerly of Skokie, loving mother of Judy Figura, Carl (Susan) Birns, and Joyce Brown, cherished grandmother of Michelle (Mike), Keith (Denise), Jim (Jenn), Amy, Carrie, Tim (Christine), and Mark (Quincy); proud great-grandmother of Abby, Alexa, Jianna, Lenna, Kaiden, Sydney, Reese, Delilah, Matthew, Camryn, Lauren, J.T., Andrew, Maddie, Toccoa. She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years Raymond Birns. She was a longtime employee of Bell & Howell, and a lifelong Cubs fan. Funeral services will be held on Monday October 15 at 10:00 A.M. at **Laird Funeral Home**, 310 S. State St. Elgin. Burial will be at Acacia Park, Norridge. Visitation will be on Sunday from 4-8 P.M. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 11 E. Wilson St., Batavia, IL 60510. For information call 847-741-8800 or www.lairdfamilyfuneralservices.com

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Harris, George V.

Age, 50 of Monee, passed away Thursday, October 11th, 2018 at his home in Monee. George is survived by his loving family, wife, Linda Harris (Brenza), mother, Sally Harris (Pusateri), children, Jeremy Harris, Nicole Harris, sister, Kathleen (Frank) Mungo, niece & nephews, Connor Reno, Logan Reno, Ava Mungo and Frankie Mungo. George was preceded in death by his father, Theodore Harris. George was a member of the Pipe Fitters Local #597 and greatly enjoyed the sport of Motocross. Family will receive friends at **Kurtz Memorial Chapel**, 65 Old Frankfort Way, Frankfort, IL 60423 on Sunday, October 14th, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Funeral service, Monday, October 15th, 2018 with prayers at the funeral home at 9:30 AM and then to St. Anthony Catholic Church, 7659 W. Sauk Trail, Frankfort, IL 60423 for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM. Interment will be private. For information, www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com or 815-806-2225.

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Strain, Patricia 'Patty'

Patty Strain of Montclair, died on Oct. 5, 2018, after a two-year battle with brain cancer.



Mrs. Strain was relentlessly positive and polite, and coached her boys to act with humility and kindness. Her friends and family often quoted the playful banter that became her daily mantras. "All good", "No worries", "Play your game", and "I'm so blessed" will be remembered as lessons in how to live a happy life.

She will always be associated with the little red boxes that she packed with her homemade English toffee. Tied with white satin ribbons, this toffee was the family's signature Christmas gift and was widely sought after. Mrs. Strain would stay up late into the winter night to cook and pack enough boxes to gift her family's roster of VIPs: teachers, coaches, administrators, contractors, business colleagues, clients and the many friends who needed some love. The family often had to pitch in to meet peak demand as she kept the recipe a family secret.

Mrs. Strain, a big sports fan, loved that her Cubs finally won a World Series. She often wore a school logo fleece carrying her telephoto lens camera in the stands snapping photos of her teams. She was an amazing supporter of Montclair, Bates and Gettysburg players of any sex or sport and taught her sons to respect the players of all teams whether competing versus a crosstown rival or junior varsity practice squad. She loved competitive swimming and had all of her boys in Bradford Bath and Tennis club speedos as soon as they could swim a lap. She played tennis on the club team.

Before moving to New Jersey, Mrs. Strain was selling the first laptop computers to automate sales forces for Grid Systems in Chicago, IL. She was named top salesperson in the company as 26 years old. She met her husband, Jon, in the elevator leaving work with her colleague. They were married eight months later.

She was from Chicago and never got used to telling people she lived in New Jersey, even after 25 years. The Midwest holds a special place in her heart and she loved expounding on the merits of the Chicago lakefront and its grid street system. Mrs. Strain attended Illinois State University and Regina Dominican High School. She was born Patricia Jean Brennan in Evanston, IL to Al and Mary Francis Brennan.

She is survived by her husband, Jon Strain and their three sons, Jack, Joe and Rob. Her three brothers, Al Brennan Jr., Bill Brennan and Jim Brennan, and two sisters, Anne Brennan and Mary Beth Luhrs, and 15 nieces and nephews all of whom live in the Midwest.

A wake will be held at **Moriarty Funeral Home**, 76 Park St., Montclair from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12. A funeral mass celebrating her life will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday Oct. 13, at Immaculate Conception Church 30 North Fullerton Ave, Montclair.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate to the Human Needs Food Pantry of Montclair NJ where Patty volunteered for over 20 years

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SATURDAY, OCT. 13

NORMAL HIGH: 64°

NORMAL LOW: 44°

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RECORD LOW: 25° (1988)

Sun helps area bounce back from frigid Friday

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 53 **LOW** 43

Temperatures will start out in the upper 20s to lower 30s with a frost advisory and freeze warning in effect for our area. High pressure will shift to the east with a cold front approaching from the northwest.

A frosty start, but southwest winds and abundant sunshine allow temperatures to bounce back into the 50s during the afternoon.

Clouds increase overnight ahead of the approaching cold front with a chance of light showers by morning.

NATIONAL FORECAST



A real wintry feel prevailed across the Chicago area Friday as an upper air disturbance spread cloudiness across our area. Temperatures failed to get out of the 30s at some locations — light rain and wet snow fell south of Interstate 80 during the afternoon.

Chicago's 42-degree high registered at the official O'Hare International Airport observing site was the lowest in almost six months — we have to go back to April 18 when the high was 37 degrees to find a colder day.

With abundant sunshine and southwest winds, Saturday's temperatures should rise back into the 50s.

A cold front looks to produce more clouds and light rain Sunday with a downturn in temperatures Monday, as colder air moves back into the area — highs topping out in the middle 40s.

SUNDAY, OCT. 14

HIGH 54 **LOW** 33

A chance of showers early and then rain moves back in late afternoon, becoming mixed with wet snow in the evening before ending. Afternoon highs in middle 50s. Clearing skies and cold after midnight. NW winds.

MONDAY, OCT. 15

HIGH 47 **LOW** 34

Partly sunny and cold with highest temperatures in the middle 40s. An increase in high and mid-level clouds at night — lows 30 to 35. North winds gradually shift to the west.

TUESDAY, OCT. 16

HIGH 52 **LOW** 38

More clouds than sun with brief showers possible by afternoon. Highs 50 to 55. Partly cloudy overnight. Southwest to west winds.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17

HIGH 50 **LOW** 40

Partly sunny with little temperature change — continued cool. Afternoon highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s. Clear skies at night. Northwest to west winds.

THURSDAY, OCT. 18

HIGH 63 **LOW** 45

Mostly sunny and warmer — afternoon highs 60-65. Clear skies at night. Southwest winds.

FRIDAY, OCT. 19

HIGH 66 **LOW** 46

Mostly sunny and mild. Afternoon highs in the middle 60s. Partly cloudy overnight with lows 45-50. Southwest winds shift northwest late.

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— Karen Maurer, Olympia Fields

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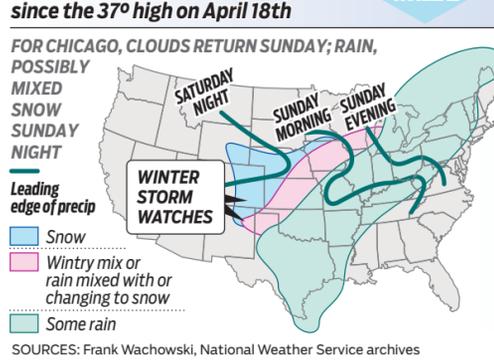
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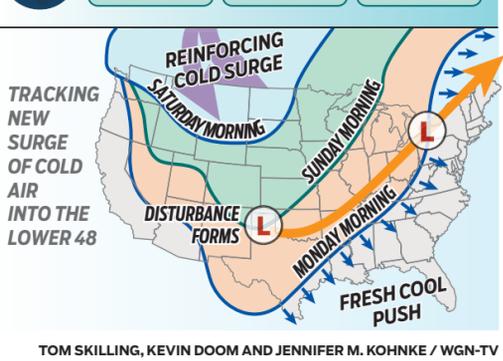
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7AM to 7PM 0%	7AM to 7PM 38%	7AM to 7PM 4%
7PM to 7AM 6%	7PM to 7AM 82%	7PM to 7AM 0%



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SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	59	47	sh	59	43
Carbondale	pc	57	41	sh	57	39
Champaign	pc	56	42	sh	56	38
Decatur	pc	54	41	sh	54	33
Moline	pc	54	41	sh	54	33
Peoria	pc	55	41	sh	55	35
Quincy	pc	55	41	sh	55	37
Rockford	pc	55	41	sh	55	37
Springfield	pc	55	41	sh	55	37
Sterling	pc	55	39	sh	55	33
Indiana	pc	55	42	sh	55	46
Bloomington	pc	58	48	sh	60	50
Evansville	pc	54	38	sh	54	33
Fort Wayne	pc	54	38	sh	54	33
Indianapolis	pc	55	42	sh	58	47
Lafayette	pc	54	39	sh	58	41
South Bend	pc	52	38	sh	52	38
Wisconsin	pc	53	41	sh	53	46
Green Bay	pc	53	41	sh	53	46
Kenosha	pc	53	42	sh	53	33
La Crosse	pc	52	41	sh	53	33
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Grand Rapids	pc	52	41	sh	57	40
Marquette	pc	52	41	sh	53	33
St. Ste. Marie	pc	47	41	sh	56	35
Traverse City	pc	52	41	sh	53	38
Iowa	pc	56	38	rs	41	28
Ames	pc	52	40	sh	52	30
Cedar Rapids	pc	52	40	sh	52	30
Des Moines	pc	55	38	rs	41	30
Dubuque	pc	52	41	sh	53	31
El Paso	pc	73	58	sh	72	45

OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	sh	75	57	ts	68	36
Albuquerque	sh	53	42	sh	59	45
Albany	sh	71	51	pc	61	33
Amarillo	rm	61	46	pc	50	27
Anchorage	rm	48	40	pc	50	40
Asheville	pc	63	48	sh	64	55
Aspen	su	54	30	ss	33	13
Atlanta	su	73	55	pc	78	62
Atlantic City	sh	60	45	sh	63	57
Austin	sh	84	74	ts	80	50
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Billings	ss	36	24	pc	41	28
Birmingham	pc	75	60	pc	83	65
Bismarck	pc	42	26	pc	36	22
Burlington	pc	59	33	sh	53	31
Boston	sh	52	43	pc	60	49
Brownsville	pc	92	80	pc	92	79
Buffalo	sh	49	41	sh	58	47
Burlington	sh	51	38	pc	57	45
Charlotte	pc	71	50	pc	70	59
Charlottesville	su	80	61	sh	75	62
Charlottesville WV	sh	53	40	pc	63	56
Chattanooga	pc	68	53	sh	75	62
Cheyenne	sh	49	15	cl	22	11
Cincinnati	pc	56	43	sh	59	53
Cleveland	sh	52	43	pc	61	53
Colorado Springs	su	63	25	ss	28	18
Columbia MO	cl	54	44	sh	51	36
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Columbus	pc	54	42	cl	60	54
Concord	sh	51	34	sh	58	38
Corpus Christi	pc	89	79	pc	88	75
Crofton	sh	72	62	pc	69	44
Dallas	su	85	72	pc	86	75
Daytona Bch.	su	72	60	pc	86	75
Denver	su	62	24	sn	28	18
Duluth	sh	49	31	pc	40	32
El Paso	pc	73	58	sh	72	45
Fairbanks	sh	46	32	pc	45	28
Fargo	cl	43	26	pc	35	25
Flagstaff	ts	53	36	pc	53	26
Fort Myers	pc	89	72	sh	90	74
Fort Smith	rm	58	54	sh	68	42
Fresno	su	85	54	su	85	55
Grand Junc.	su	62	36	pc	47	25
Great Falls	sh	35	25	pc	47	33
Harrisburg	sh	59	41	pc	62	51
Hartford	sh	54	40	pc	60	46
Helena	sh	53	27	pc	45	27
Honolulu	ts	84	73	pc	85	73
Houston	pc	89	76	pc	90	71
Int'l Falls	sh	41	25	ss	36	25
Jackson	pc	80	65	pc	89	66
Jacksonville	su	86	68	su	87	74
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Las Vegas	pc	80	65	pc	87	74
Lexington	pc	56	46	sh	61	57
Lincoln	pc	61	36	rs	40	27
Lincoln	rm	59	54	sh	72	50
Little Rock	sh	71	61	pc	73	57
Los Angeles	su	85	58	sh	61	54
Louisville	su	59	48	sh	61	54
Lincoln	su	79	57	su	83	64
Memphis	sh	67	58	ts	76	55
Miami	pc	86	78	ts	86	80
Minneapolis	pc	54	32	sh	41	32
Mobile	su	83	71	su	87	74
Montgomery	su	78	60	su	85	64
Los Angeles	su	85	72	su	87	73
New Orleans	su	85	72	su	87	73
New York	pc	60	47	pc	62	53
Norfolk	pc	67	49	pc	67	57
Okla. City	rm	53	50	sh	53	35
Omaha	pc	61	37	rs	41	30
Orlando	pc	88	71	pc	88	75
Palm Beach	ts	88	78	pc	87	79
Palm Springs	pc	82	64	su	88	61
Philadelphia	sh	59	43	pc	62	51
Phoenix	ts	74	63	pc	76	60
Pittsburgh	su	50	39	pc	60	52
Portland, ME	sh	51	37	sh	59	43
Portland, OR	su	70	45	su	70	46
Providence	sh	52	41	pc	59	46
Raleigh	pc	68	46	pc	69	57
Rapid City	sh	43	22	pc	36	22
Reno	su	72	35	su	61	29
Richmond	pc	63	44	pc	66	53
Rochester	sh	51	39	pc	61	46
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Kevin Durant poses with the last two Larry O'Brien NBA championship trophies and his two finals MVP trophies during Warriors media day on September 24 in Oakland, Calif.

Warriors balance play, work after winning titles

BY MARK MEDINA
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OAKLAND, Calif. — Some of the proud Warriors players danced in the streets without their shirts. Warriors second-year forward Jordan Bell chugged a bottle of Hennessy. So did Warriors All-Star guard Klay Thompson, who also sprayed champagne on fans along the parade route.

The Warriors felt intoxicated with championship euphoria and alcohol as they hopped on and off the bus during their championship parade in June. Well, most of them.

When Warriors general manager Bob Myers sat on the bus and stared at the crowd of fans cheering at every turn, he did not think of the team's third NBA title in four years. He was worried about returning to the team's practice facility in time to see rookie Jacob Evans in a pre-draft workout that afternoon.

"Your mind can't be out there with a bottle of Hennessy when you have a draft workout," Myers said. "You're struggling to find the balance."

Since training camp began two

weeks ago, the Warriors have characterized themselves as reinvigorated despite playing in the NBA Finals for four consecutive seasons. As illustrated with Myers' experience at the parade, players, coaches and front office members have varying success in tackling the NBA's first-world issue.

How long do the Warriors enjoy their NBA championship with rest and vacation before focusing on next season with summer workouts and game preparations? That question poses different answers for a few reasons. Some players and coaches prepare immediately for summer league. The front office's itinerary becomes busier with pre-draft workouts in June and free-agency negotiations in July.

Either way, no one can ignore the calendar. As Thompson observed, "It's always too short; that's a great problem to have."

"Our time in the offseason has been so crunched these last four years so you have to make the most out of every single day," Thompson said. "I've always been itching to get back into the gym, but I also enjoy the heck out of my

time. It goes by fast. Until we get that ring on ring night, I'm celebrating the hell out of it."

Worry about future

Nothing captured Thompson's festive spirit more than what happened after the Warriors won the 2017 NBA title in five games over the Cavaliers. Then, Warriors assistant GM Kirk Lacob said Thompson gave him a "mild concussion" after accidentally dropping a champagne bottle on his head.

So after the Warriors swept the Cavs in 2018, Lacob sought payback. No, Lacob didn't give Thompson a concussion as retribution. Instead, Lacob emptied his entire champagne bottle on Thompson. After Thompson enjoyed a champagne bath, the Warriors guard sprayed Lacob's face with bubbly.

"To see the joy on his face," Lacob said, grinning, "those are the fun moments."

The not-so-fun moments? That happened 20 minutes later when Lacob left the locker room. Then, Warriors majority owner Joe Lacob and Myers discussed the

following week's pre-draft workout schedules.

"It's not the healthiest way to live in some ways," Kirk Lacob said. "But on the other hand, if things were to go south, I could move on quickly, too."

So does his father. Team accounts said Joe Lacob has basked briefly in champagne celebrations before quickly exiting the locker room to talk with the front office about the future. "I hate to admit it, but yes," Joe Lacob confirmed.

Then, Lacob often asks Myers, "What are we going to do to be better?" The Warriors front office has outlined long-term contingency plans for best and worst-case scenarios throughout the season. Yet, Lacob still has those post-championship conversations to reinforce his obsession with what he calls his "relentless pursuit of excellence." After all, the Warriors acquired All-Star DeMarcus Cousins in free agency about two weeks after winning their second consecutive title.

"It's exhausting and some people are going to burn out," said Lacob before referencing his previous experience as a venture capitalist. "We have lost some

people. But I've seen it over the years at Silicon Valley. If you want to be the best and be a big success, you got to be absolutely relentless with the way you pursue things."

Enjoying success

Warriors players and coaches don't think immediately about those things after winning a championship. They are too busy clutching the trophy, posing for pictures and splashing each other with champagne.

"You always have to protect yourself," Warriors assistant coach Ron Adams said. "Champagne in the eyes are a killer."

Warriors fans prefer witnessing that scene in Oakland for obvious reasons. When the Warriors won the 2017 title at home, though, family and friend obligations complicated the post-championship itinerary. The most memorable moments happened when the Warriors won titles in Cleveland in 2015 and 2018. Then, the Warriors gathered at Morton's for a team dinner and dancing.

Reserve forward Kevon Looney

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still cherishes seeing assistant coach Mike Brown dancing without his shirt after winning the 2018 title. Assistant coach Bruce Fraser mostly relishes the postgame celebration in 2015 when a mix of players and coaches gathered outside to smoke cigars, consume drinks and talk until 5 a.m.

"It was more fun to win on the road," Fraser said. "It's a little bit more intimate."

That party often continues throughout the summer beginning with the parade.

At this year's parade, Bell received the most attention for chugging Hennessy throughout the day. Then, he let out his season-long emotions of exhilarating highs regarding his athleticism and potential and frustrating lows with his injuries and fluctuating role.

"My life was just better," Bell said. "Nobody could tell me nothing the whole week. Not just that, I was just happy. Nothing pissed me off. Me and my girl didn't have no problems. My brother was cool. Everybody was cool. I just didn't let (stuff) get to me."

Not even when Warriors veteran forward Andre Iguodala scolded Bell for his behavior. Iguodala apologized four months later, saying, "I probably shouldn't have gotten on him like that; he was having fun."

So was Iguodala, who normally adheres to a regimented lifestyle of disciplined sleeping and dieting. Toward the end of the parade route, Iguodala was offered ribs. Even without knowing where the food came from, Iguodala didn't care. He said he had not eaten ribs "in years." So Iguodala ate them without any regret. "Those were the best ribs I ever had," Iguodala said.

After the Warriors won their first title in 2014-15, another veteran also strayed away from his normally strict routine. After Shaun Livingston won his first championship, he "kicked it and partied the whole summer."

That is because he could finally enjoy an offseason. Livingston missed the entire 2007-08 season because of a left leg and knee injury that nearly derailed his career. He spent the first 10 combined seasons on nine teams.

When Livingston resumed training Aug. 25, 2015, he "was throwing up all the alcohol from the summer." He didn't care. He "trained pretty hard" for the next month and reported to training camp in shape.

"You're a champion forever," Livingston said. "You take that with you forever. I'm enjoying this forever. That's the feeling behind it. You can't let anybody take this away from you."

Dialing it back

Plenty of teams want to take the trophy away from the Warriors this season. So when is the right time to stop enjoying the championship glow?

"I'm still glowing," Steph Curry said, grinning. "The glow won't wear down until you get beat."

Moments later, though, Curry has admitted the glow has simmered at other times. Incidentally, Curry soon became weary any time a Warriors fan congratulated him for winning the championship.

"I don't want that to be the last time they say that," Curry said. "You work so hard to earn the right to be proud of yourself at the end of the summer."

So after spending a month relaxing, Curry spent most of mid-July training in the Bay Area to strengthen his previously injured ankles and knees. Even when Curry went on Under Armour trips in early September to the Philippines, China, Japan, France and the United Kingdom, Curry maintained an organized regimen to keep his conditioning and shooting sharp.

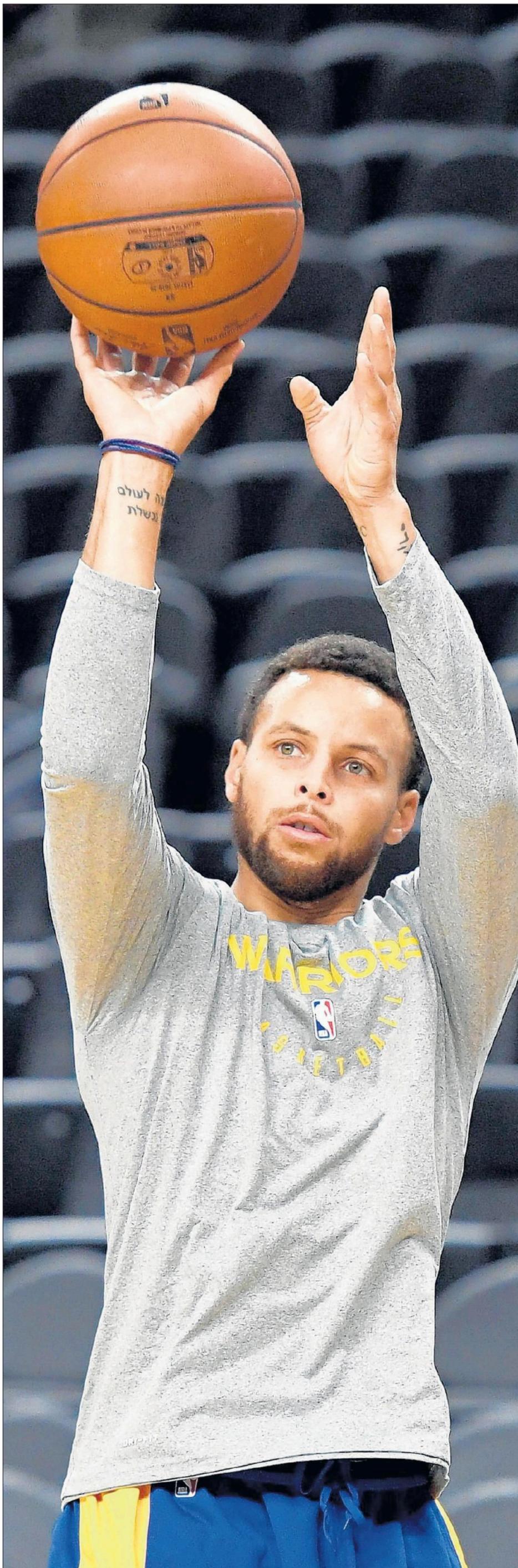
"That's the thing I'm most proud of with our team," Curry said. "Yeah we're talented and all that. But the work that goes into it, the mental approach to turn the page has been there the last three years."

Plenty of the Warriors turned the page quickly.

Bell immediately began training after the parade for two reasons. He planned to play in Summer League in Sacramento (July 1-4) and Las Vegas (July 5-17) before training in his hometown in Long Beach. He also grew tired of hearing congratulatory messages and jokes about drinking Hennessy during the parade.

"It just gets old," Bell said. "I drink once every two months. But because I was like that in the spotlight, people are yelling 'Hennessy' or 'What Hennessy do you drink?' Stupid (stuff) like that."

Livingston has scaled back his



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Steph Curry says "the glow" from winning an NBA championship "won't wear down until you get beat."

celebrating. He mostly spent the 2017 offseason with his baby daughter, Tyler Marie. Last summer, Livingston mostly relaxed between hosting camps in New York and Chicago.

A week after the parade, Iguodala underwent platelet-rich plasma (PRP) to treat a left knee injury that sidelined him for six playoff games. He then spent the

rest of his summer completing about 30 rounds of golf, providing commentary for TNT on the PGA Championship, hanging out with his son and building his business portfolio in the tech industry.

"The more and more you win, the less you enjoy it," Iguodala said. "It sounds weird."

But then again, it doesn't. It is the price the Warriors pay to

remain champions.

Kevin Durant took a month off after the season before training and playing pickup basketball in New York, Los Angeles and the Bay Area. Thompson trained in July and August while mixing business and vacation in the Bahamas, China and Qatar. And forward Draymond Green spent the beginning of the offseason in

Israel and several European countries.

Green later trained in his hometown of Saginaw, Mich., and in Oakland, Calif. There, Green hosted "Grind Week" in early August, where various NBA players gathered for pickup games.

Before that, Green said he refused to reflect on the Warriors' title because of the emotional toll he felt mentally and physically. As Green said, "it was the toughest thing I've ever been through in my life."

"I didn't want to think about basketball ... about the run. None of that. I didn't want to see the trophy," Green said. "I wanted no parts of it. It was so tough that I needed to decompress and get away for a while."

Ramping up

Most of the coaches could get away for a while. Coach Steve Kerr vacationed in San Diego. Brown went to France for a friend's wedding. But assistants Willie Green and Fraser kept working through summer league.

Once that ended in July, more relaxation awaited. Kerr made more visits to San Diego, and also vacationed in Ireland. Fraser surfed in Mexico and San Diego. And Brown visited his sons in Cleveland and Phoenix.

"For the players, it's more immediate because they are privy to more parties and festivities," Adams said. "For coaches, it's this great feeling of satisfaction that lasts."

So wait, Adams doesn't hit the clubs?

"Nah, not too much," Adams said, smiling. "I do it with a tennis ball, though."

Adams has often done that during the retreats that Kerr holds at the end of August or beginning of September. In past years, Kerr hosted the retreat in Napa Valley where coaches enjoyed croquet, tennis and wine. This year, Kerr held the retreat in Lake Tahoe.

During that time, the coaches review the previous season and watch film. They then brainstorm various ideas about their rotation, practice plan and playbook.

"You never stop enjoying it. You just start focusing on the next year," Kerr said. "But it's always there. You always see the banner hanging and you see your ring. It never quite goes away. That's the beauty of it."

It wasn't as easy as a player. After winning five titles as a player, Kerr conceded the difficulties in determining how to spend his offseason. He often spent those summers playing golf in Hawaii. After often playing summer pickup basketball earlier in his career, though, Kerr focused more on rest, as well as shooting and conditioning.

"It's harder as a player. As a coach, you're not pounding your body. It's more of the travel and just the routine," Kerr said. "But as a player, you're pounding your joints over and over again. It's much tougher as a player."

Work never stops

Is it tougher than being in the front office, though?

Kirk Laboc got married this summer in San Francisco before departing to Africa for a two-week honeymoon. Joe Laboc also got married, visited his summer home in Montana, enjoyed his honeymoon in Italy and Croatia and played golf with friends.

The work, however, never stopped.

Joe Laboc stayed in touch with employees over the phone. He also oversaw the ongoing progress of Chase Center, which will open in San Francisco for the 2019-20 season. Once Kirk Laboc returned from his honeymoon, he began various projects. And Myers stayed busy in July with free agency.

No wonder Myers didn't fully enjoy the 2017 title until vacationing in Italy in August. During that vacation, Myers noticed one of his daughters wearing the Warriors' championship hat. "I literally hadn't consciously thought of it until that moment," Myers said. When he spoke those words in late July, Myers sounded unsure how well he would relax after the Warriors won the 2018 title.

"The thing you want is to be able to stop. But how long do you stop for? When do you stop?" Myers asked rhetorically. "Is August OK to stop? Do you stop for a week after winning? I don't know. But you'd like to think you can. That's why we do what we do. If you don't get to celebrate it, what are we doing?"

What the Warriors are doing: trying to win more titles. Therefore, they will continue figuring out how much short-term gratification they will enjoy without compromising their quest for long-term excellence.

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EXPERT REVIEW: 2019 TOYOTA COROLLA XSE



Lil' Corolla XSE is big on style

By Benjamin Preston, New York Daily News

The Toyota Corolla has been around for a long time — more than 50 years. Along with maintaining its well-deserved reputation for reliability and value, Toyota has kept it up to date in other ways, too. That's why the Corolla has consistently been one of the top-selling cars in the world for decades.

Built on the Toyota New Global Architecture platform that underpins everything from the Toyota Prius to the Lexus UX, the redesigned 2019 Corolla gets a dramatic new styling treatment as well, including a prominent grille plastered across its face like a toothy grin and lots of sporty looking body sculpting.

The front end may not be to your taste, but the car's proportions and its sleek rear quarters are well thought-out. Like it or not, Toyota's edgy new design language is eye-catching in a way it hasn't been since the Corolla's inception in the mid-'60s. Superficially, boring has been wiped away from the small Toyota.

The Corolla Hatchback — a replacement for the Corolla iM — faces tough competition, though. It goes tête-à-tête with sportier, more spacious, and often cheaper 4-door hatchbacks like the Volkswagen Golf, Honda Civic, and the Mazda 3.

The big question is whether or not the Corolla has what it takes to lure buyers away from the Civic, with which it has always shared a rivalry and which led sales by more than 50,000 units last year. At a time when small crossovers are absorbing sales from small cars, a hatchback like the Corolla must distinguish itself to get noticed.

Elusive roominess

The first thing I noticed about the Corolla Hatchback's interior is that it feels inordinately small. I'm not a large man, but I have a wife and a child, and they can take up quite a bit of space when combined with the trappings they require during travel.

With the child safety seat installed, my wife was unable to sit with her knees straight in the front passenger seat. The lack of front-seat legroom could have been less of an issue if the lower dashboard was flatter. As it is, the dash juts out into and invades the passenger space. From a design perspective, perhaps the intrusive dash was a structural necessity. If it was a stylistic choice, it wasn't a practical one.

Fortunately, the rear doors are slightly larger from side to side than those on the Honda Civic. That meant easier rear-seat access in the Corolla, which made for relatively smooth child safety seat installation.

Cargo space is minimal for a car of the Corolla's cohort, although room in the Corolla is slightly more generous than the Golf. With the rear seats up, there's just under 18 cu.-ft. of cargo volume. It's enough to carry a large stroller or a week's worth of groceries, but not both. By contrast, the Mazda 3 hatchback boasts more than 20 cu.-ft. of behind-the-seat cargo volume and the Civic hatch a cavernous 26 cu.-ft. (it puts many small crossovers to shame).

With the rear seats down, the Corolla's cargo space jumps to only 23 cu.-ft. — less than half what's offered on the Mazda 3, Civic, and Golf. To make matters worse, the cargo opening is small and the load floor high, making it difficult to fit bulky items inside the car.

In this age of expected creature comforts, I was surprised to find that the Corolla's seats are a little hard. A lumbar control and power adjustability in the XSE model I tested helped, but on a drive of over two hours, it felt good to get out of the car and leave its uncomfortable seat behind.

But for all that, the interior was pleasantly spare. The infotainment screen was big and crisp, and the dash layout simple and clean. The lines Toyota used on the seats suggested playfulness, but didn't delve into silliness. Its exterior may be fun, but inside, the Corolla is all business.

Simplicity within

The Toyota Corolla hatchback's interior controls are straightforward and the instrument cluster displays are easy to manipulate with buttons located on the steering wheel. Simplicity is key; there are no buttons on the dashboard that anyone really needs. That could be a good thing or a bad thing, depending upon the driver's preference. But simplicity is what has defined this nameplate for decades, and Toyota is sticking to that tried and true formula.

There are no gimmicks with the car's familiar automatic transmission shifter, and the climate control system contains few, if any, surprises. The audio system has knobs — a dead horse issue I feel hasn't been flogged to death yet. It's good to have knobs in case you don't feel like messing around with menus and steering wheel buttons while you're driving. So thanks for that, Toyota.

Toyota generously doles out active safety features for the Corolla, regardless of trim. Pre-collision braking with pedestrian detection, lane-tracing assist, lane-departure alert with steering assist, automatic high beams, and adaptive cruise control are all standard features. Blind spot monitoring is optional on the base-level SE trim (albeit only with a continuously variable transmission). It comes standard on the XSE.

In tests conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, the Toyota Corolla Hatchback aced everything except headlight performance, resulting in a "Top Safety Pick" rating.

Power, au naturel

Kudos to Toyota for hanging on to naturally aspirated engines. It does them well. The front-wheel-drive Corolla hatch comes with a 168-horsepower, 2.0-liter 4-cylinder engine that delivers solid fuel economy and decent acceleration. Unfortunately, you have to wait until the engine winds up to 4,800 rpm to reach peak torque, and 6,600 rpm to realize its full horsepower potential.

What that means in practice is that stomping the go pedal to the floor creates a buzzy drone that doesn't really compel the car to move in an overly sporty manner. It's OK — not at all bad. The engine works well when you're already at speed. But it's not great at moving the car's nearly 3,100-lb. bulk quickly away from a position of rest. The turbocharged engines many other manufacturers are leaning on for their small-displacement engines do a better job of delivering the goods to drivers looking for seat-of-the-pants driving fun.

I haven't had a chance to drive the 6-speed manual version of this car, but I've heard good things. The Corolla's new Dynamic Shift CVT works better than those in most cars thanks to a physical gear that helps to launch the car, but it really doesn't do much to work around the engine's limitations. If you're so inclined, you can engage in a semblance of shifting aided by a pair of gear-selector paddles mounted ever-so-sportily on the steering wheel.

The car handles and stops well, thanks in no small part to its tidy dimensions and the 15-inch brake rotors mounted at all four corners. The electric steering is responsive, if a bit wooden with regards to road feel. But Toyota's secret weapon is called active cornering assist, a computer aided system that controls braking and drive output to counter the effects of understeer often felt during hard cornering.

Limitations aside, the little Corolla hatch is fun to drive when small size and nimble handling give the driver an edge over slower-moving traffic. Where the Corolla hatchback really shines, though, is in the fuel economy department. Among similarly equipped versions of the Civic Sport, Mazda 3, and the VW Golf, the Corolla hatch has the highest EPA fuel economy rating.

On my test loop, I got 34 miles per gallon, which is a little higher than the EPA's combined city-highway average.

Semper valorem

My first car was a 1983 Toyota Corolla wagon. It was utilitarian, fuel efficient, and inexpensive when my grandfather had purchased it new 13 years earlier. But it wasn't pretty in the way today's Toyotas are. Even if you're not a fan of Toyota's new styling direction, you have to admit that, at long last, it has pizzazz.

With its good looks, great fuel economy, and list of standard safety features, the Corolla hatchback makes a compelling case that it should be picked over its competition. At the end of the day, how much "fun" driving are you really going to be able to do along your daily slog between home, work, the grocery store, and the myriad appointments you're obligated to keep? This car offers good value and has a well-earned reputation as something that will provide many years of trouble-free service.

For most people, the Corolla hatchback's combination of fun hot-hatch styling and practicality are likely to win them over in the end.



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