



## Saudis admit writer killed at consulate

In shift from previous denials, officials now say journalist died amid fistfight

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The Washington Post

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — The Saudi government acknowledged early Saturday that journalist Jamal Khashoggi was killed while visiting the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul, saying he died during a fistfight.

The announcement, which came in a tweet from the Saudi Foreign Ministry, said that an initial investigation by the government's general prosecutor found that Khashoggi had been in dis-

cussions with people inside the consulate when a quarrel broke out, escalating to a fatal fistfight.

The Saudi government said it had fired five top officials and arrested 18 other Saudis as a result of the initial investigation. Those fired included Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's adviser Saud al-Qahtani and deputy intelligence chief Maj. Gen. Ahmed al-Assiri.

The announcement marks the first time that Saudi officials have acknowledged that Khashoggi was killed inside the consulate.

Ever since Khashoggi disappeared on Oct. 2 while visiting the

mission, Saudi officials have repeatedly said that he left the consulate alive and that they had no information about his whereabouts or fate. He had gone to the consulate to obtain a document he needed for an upcoming wedding.

Turkish investigators had concluded days ago that Khashoggi, a U.S. permanent resident and contributing columnist to The Washington Post, was killed and dismembered by a Saudi team dispatched to Istanbul.

U.S. officials have said that Turkey has audio and video re-

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Protesters demonstrate Friday outside the White House in the wake of the disappearance of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

## Feds: Man used social media as terror tool

Allegedly recruited for Islamic State

BY JASON MEISNER  
Chicago Tribune

Federal authorities unsealed charges Friday against a North Side man that alleged he was a leader of the Islamic State's online propaganda wing who used social media to recruit fighters for the terrorist organization and encourage others to carry out terrorist attacks.

Shackled at the ankles in federal court, Ashraf Al Safoo, a naturalized U.S. citizen of Iraqi descent, was ordered held in custody until a detention hearing next week.

The Chicago Tribune first reported the terrorism-related arrest Wednesday in conjunction with a raid at his home in the 5200 block of North Virginia Avenue in the Budlong Woods neighborhood.

A 59-page criminal complaint accused Al Safoo, 34, of being a leader of Khattab Media Foundation, an internet-based propaganda organization that has sworn an oath of allegiance to Islamic State, also known as ISIS.

"Brothers, roll up your sleeves!" Al Safoo allegedly posted in one Khattab-related

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## MEMORIES MARK CEREMONY OF CHICAGO PARK RENAMING

Greg Jaglowski, from left, Peter Ruiz, 9-year-old Sean Collins, Irma Ruiz-Collins, 10-year-old Salma Ruiz, 5-year-old Olivia Ruiz and Phillip Ruiz, back, take part Friday in a ceremony to rename a park for Irma C. Ruiz in Chicago's Archer Heights neighborhood on the Southwest Side. Thirty years ago, Ruiz, a Chicago police officer, became one of the first female officers to be killed in the line of duty when a gunman entered a Near West Side school and shot and killed her. More than a hundred friends, family, fellow officers — even a horse named after Ruiz — gathered for the dedication. **Story**, Page 3

## Obama Center backers reveal design plans

Move comes ahead of Wednesday court hearing

BY BLAIR KAMIN AND MADELINE BUCKLEY  
Chicago Tribune

Facing a court hearing Wednesday in a lawsuit that seeks to block the Obama Presidential Center from being built in Chicago's Jackson Park, the center's backers on Friday released closely guarded proposals from four universities that in 2014 were bidding to host the center.

The winning proposal, submitted by the University of Chicago, suggested three possible sites for the center: the Jackson Park site that was ultimately chosen, another in and along Washington Park, and a third on a golf course just north of the South Shore Cultural Center.

The University of Illinois at Chicago, Columbia University and the University of Hawaii also submitted proposals.

The release of the documents late Friday afternoon appeared designed



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A conceptual design by Chicago-based Studio Gang, headed by Jeanne Gang, was one of three possible sites proposed by the University of Chicago for the Obama Presidential Center.

to ward off criticism that the Obama Foundation, the nonprofit charged with building the \$500 million center, has failed to be transparent in discussing its selection of the controversial Jackson Park site.

U.S. District Judge John Robert Blakey on Wednesday will hear arguments over the lawsuit, which was brought by a group called Protect Our Parks and three individuals. They maintain that placing the center in Jackson Park would be a private use of public land. The plaintiffs had sought the proposals, which the foundation had kept secret.

"They're just trying to get ahead of the ax falling, so to speak," said the president of Protect Our Parks, Herbert Caplan.

The center has recently encountered a series of delays, which forced it to postpone a planned groundbreaking until next year.

Designed by New York-based architects Tod Williams and Billie Tsien and approved this year by the Chicago City Council, the center is still under federal review. It will consist of three main buildings: a 235-foot-tall museum tower and

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## 'Chicago police are not the problem': Sessions

Attorney general speaks out against consent decree

BY ROSEMARY SOBOL  
Chicago Tribune

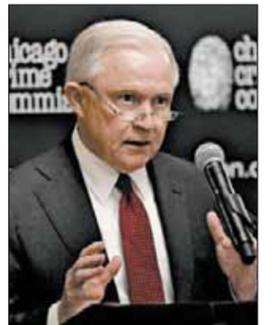
In a speech Friday to a friendly law enforcement audience in Chicago, Attorney General Jeff Sessions called a proposed consent decree that would reform the Chicago Police Department an "insult," saying, "Chicago police are not the problem."

Sessions' remarks came before a crowd of about 40 business and law enforcement representatives, including U.S. Attorney John Lausch, at an event sponsored by the Chicago Crime Commission.

Saying it was his third visit to Chicago in less than two months, Sessions began by thanking the 99-year-old crime commission for putting infamous Chicago gangster Al Capone "in the slammer."

"We care about this city," he said. "It's important to us."

Sessions bemoaned the



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U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions speaks Friday at the Union League Club of Chicago.

city's spike in violence in 2016, blaming "the ACLU effect," a reference to the city's agreement with the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois that required police to more thoroughly document street stops.

"If you let ACLU set police policy, crime will go up," he said.

Though he didn't specifically refer to controversial "stop-and-frisk" policies

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# Closely guarded design plans revealed

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two low-slung buildings — a forum housing an auditorium and a branch of the Chicago Public Library.

The center will not contain Obama's presidential documents, a departure from conventional presidential libraries. They will be stored instead in another federal facility.

Filed in May, the lawsuit targets the city of Chicago and the Chicago Park District, arguing that the presidential center is not the same as a presidential library and should not be granted access to public land.

The foundation argues that the center would not violate a key element of the use of Jackson Park — the public trust doctrine — and that agreements reached with city officials would ensure that the center would fall under public control and serve a public purpose.

As part of its proposal, the University of Chicago suggested conceptual plans by three internationally renowned architectural firms: London-based Adjaye Associates, whose David Adjaye was thought to be a front-runner for the job of designing the center; New York-based Diller Scofidio + Renfro, which has designed a meeting center for the university; and Chicago-based Studio Gang, headed by Jeanne Gang, who has designed a residential complex at the U. of C.

The university's proposal also called for a broad-based revamp of Jackson Park, suggesting that Cornell Drive be closed to create a campus-like envi-

ronment for the center — an idea that Williams and Tsien followed directly.

It also suggested renovating Jackson Park's 18-hole golf course. A group that includes Tiger Woods has since proposed combining that course and the nine-hole South Shore Golf Course into a single 18-hole course that could host professional tournaments.

"In its initial request for qualifications, the Obama Foundation indicated that it would consider the proposals on a confidential basis, for use in its selection of a host city. However, in light of recent developments, the proposals will now be available in the public domain, which the University supports," University of Chicago spokesman Jeremy Manier said in a statement Friday.

Despite the lawsuit, the center has support from some community members. Louise McCurry, president of the Jackson Park Advisory Council, released a statement Friday in support of the project, saying it will create educational and recreational opportunities for children and adults.

"We can replace and re-plant trees, but we can't replace our children who need help now!" she wrote.

The Obama Foundation in 2015 selected the University of Chicago's proposal and picked Jackson Park in 2016.

The foundation redacted from the proposal fundraising commitments from individual members of the University of Chicago board of trustees. Manier said the figures were not released because they were pledged by individuals, not by the



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The plan by Adjaye Associates would have placed the center in the west end of Washington Park and on a block of land outside the park.

university.

The documents revealed new details about the three U. of C. concept proposals: ■ The Diller Scofidio + Renfro plan suggested an angular, low-slung building with winglike rooflines on the Jackson Park site. The building would have been wedged into a grassy mound.

Referring to the nearby Museum of Science and Industry and U. of C. cultural facilities like the Logan Center for the Arts, the document pitched the plan as "Museum Campus South."

The site "would drive investments to improve the park and the commercial corridors of Stony Island Avenue and 63rd Street," the plan said.

■ The Adjaye plan would have placed the center in the west end of historic Washington Park and on a block of land immediately outside the park.

In the plan, a truncated dome sat atop a mound that would have framed the center's arrival plaza. The plan also included a performing arts theater, a public plaza

and a community center.

The proposal said the concept, with its proximity to CTA Green Line stations, offered the "the most potential transformative change."

■ The Studio Gang plan envisioned the center on a site north of the South Shore Cultural Center. That site is now occupied by the nine-hole golf course.

The low-slung building was designed to resemble a compass with wings jutting out in the cardinal directions.

"The South Shore site ... would enhance the lakefront and existing commercial and retail development on 71st Street," the proposal said.

Hanging over the debate over the center is the bitter battle over a plan by "Star Wars" creator George Lucas to build a narrative arts museum on Chicago's lakefront. In 2016, after another federal judge allowed a lawsuit against the project to proceed, Lucas dropped the plan. The museum is being built instead in Los Angeles.

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# AG decries Chicago consent decree

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backed by his boss, President Donald Trump, Sessions said that if police "don't stop," they "don't find" illegal guns and fugitives.

He called the ACLU agreement a "colossal" mistake that reduced public safety and placed "minorities, particularly at risk."

In a statement, Karen Sheley, the director of the ACLU's police practices project in Illinois, blasted Sessions for repeating "knowingly false assertions about crime in Chicago."

"He pushes this misinformation over and over in order to block much-needed reforms and to encourage unlawful strong-arm tactics," the statement said. "Sessions creates the incorrect impression that the only answer to crime is unconstitutional practices by police. This attitude and the malicious repetition of false information demeans

the office of Attorney General. Chicago should reject this harmful rhetoric."

Without mentioning their strained relationship, Sessions said the president has told him he is "deeply concerned" about the city's violence and that Chicago residents have pleaded with Trump to do something about the problem, even "bring in" the military.

Sessions sounded a more positive note about the progress Chicago has made in reducing violence since 2016, praising the bravery of the "men and women in blue."

Staring over his glasses as he spoke for about 25 minutes from a statement, Sessions was applauded when he noted how New York City went without any homicides last week for the first time in 25 years.

He also noted that since last year the U.S. Department of Justice has sent about a dozen additional prosecutors to Chicago —

more than any other city — to help combat gun crime.

"Progress has been made," he said. "But more progress is possible."

Sessions criticized Chicago's proposed consent decree that would aim to tighten supervision, improve training and fix the city's police disciplinary system.

The infamous 2014 video of white Chicago police Officer Jason Van Dyke shooting black teen Laquan McDonald 16 times sparked the push for police reform. Van Dyke was convicted this month of second-degree murder and 16 counts of aggravated battery.

"These decrees tend to drag on for years," Sessions said. They are costly and use "vague and subjective" metrics, he added.

Police officers need to know they are supported and respected.

"Again, police are not the problem," he said. "The criminals are the problem."

The Trump administration has long been critical of Chicago's efforts to combat its stubborn gun violence, as well as its push to reform a Police Department with a long history of misconduct and abuse. Last week, Sessions filed written objections to the decree in federal court here, saying it was an overly restrictive measure that could lead to a spike in violence.

A day earlier, Trump had suggested the department employ stop-and-frisk policing to battle crime. The president once tweeted he knew a "top police officer" in Chicago who he said could solve the city's crime problem "within one week."

Sessions' point of view aligns more with the Chicago Fraternal Order of Police, the union that represents rank-and-file officers: The FOP has also sought to have the litigation that gave rise to the decree dismissed.

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## Charged with attempted murder, back teaching

Man hired in August by Lyons SD 103; had been let go in Cicero

BY ZAK KOESKE  
Daily Southtown

A teacher charged with attempted murder in Tinley Park last year has been working since August at a middle school in Lyons School District 103, school officials said.

Andres Rodriguez, 40, who was dismissed from Cicero School District 99 over the summer after his pending criminal case came to light, was hired in Lyons as a sixth-grade English Language Arts teacher on Aug. 28 at a salary of \$52,822, school board meeting minutes show.

He is accused of shooting a man seven times, including several times while standing over him after he'd fallen to the ground, following a traffic dispute in the 6900 block of 173rd Place in Tinley Park in July 2017.

Rodriguez, whose attorney argued his actions were made in self-defense, was released on \$500,000 bond the day after his arrest, court records show.

Neither he nor his attorney

returned a request for comment.

District 103 interim Superintendent Patrick Patt said he'd only learned of Rodriguez's pending criminal case on Thursday, and had initiated an immediate review of the situation.

The district addressed the matter in a letter to parents and staff Friday but did not use Rodriguez's name or provide specifics of his case.

"We want to assure you that the safety and security of our students and staff is a top priority," the statement reads. "To that end, we have placed the staff member on administrative leave until we are able to conclude our review."

The statement goes on to say that "legal constraints" may prevent the district from sharing additional information about the situation, but that the district would attempt to keep the community "updated to the greatest extent possible."

Patt said Friday that he couldn't comment much beyond what was released in the district's statement, but did say that Rodriguez had been subjected to a background check before being hired.

"All I can really tell you is that we do background checks on all new employees, and when nothing

shows up we presume everything is clear," he said.

When asked whether the district might consider modifying its process for conducting background checks going forward, he said he believed there were always ways to improve the district's processes.

Human resources director Kimberly Ontiveros declined comment on Rodriguez's hire.

Jorge Torres, the only District 103 board member who voted against the Aug. 28 consent agenda that included Rodriguez's hire, said he was concerned about the district's vetting process and planned to raise the issue at Monday's board meeting.

"This is infuriating to me," he said. "I'm on the board and I'm a taxpayer and a former parent of a student in the district, so this is really concerning to me and alarming."

As of late Friday morning, Rodriguez still appeared in a staff directory on District 103's George Washington Middle School website. His online staff listing, which is accompanied by a photograph, identifies him as a sixth grade



Rodriguez

English Language Arts teacher.

Rodriguez was employed by Joliet School District 86 when he was charged with attempted murder last year but had quietly accepted a new job in Cicero School District 99 about a month before the shooting, records show.

Joliet placed him on paid administrative leave a month later and forbade him from setting foot at the junior high where he'd taught eighth-grade language arts, according to a letter in Rodriguez's disciplinary file.

While on leave in Joliet, Rodriguez began working the job he'd previously been offered in District 99.

Payroll records show he started teaching at Unity Junior High in Cicero on Aug. 29, 2017, just 12 days after being placed on leave in Joliet and less than six weeks after bonding out of Cook County Jail.

Records show that Joliet continued paying Rodriguez even after he began teaching in Cicero last year, apparently unaware that he'd accepted another job. Between both districts, Rodriguez received more than \$90,000 last

school year before Joliet became aware he was teaching elsewhere and cut off his biweekly payments, records show.

He served as an internal substitute and after-school detention proctor in Cicero for six months before district officials there claim to have become aware of his "situation."

Cicero placed Rodriguez on paid leave in mid-February and the board moved to dismiss him at its April 18 meeting, effective June 4, records show.

A few months later, he was hired in Lyons, minutes show.

Despite the felony charges he faces, Rodriguez' educator's license remains in good standing and he is legally permitted to continue teaching, records show.

While the Illinois State Board of Education may suspend an educator's license for commission of crimes like attempted murder, it cannot take action until the educator has been convicted of the crime, ISBE spokeswoman Jaclyn Matthews said earlier this year.

Rodriguez is due back in court Nov. 28.

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## "We hope the memory of 'Hey, I played at the Irma C. Ruiz Park' will live on one day through kids and generations to come."

— Irma Ruiz-Collins, daughter of slain Chicago police Officer Irma Ruiz



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Ruiz family members visit with a Chicago police horse named for Irma C. Ruiz during Friday's ceremony renaming Walnut Park. It became Irma C. Ruiz Park in honor of the 12-year Chicago police veteran killed in the line of duty 30 years ago. She was 40 and the mother of four.

## Laughter, memories in order at renaming of park for slain officer

Archer Heights facility officially dedicated to Irma Ruiz, slain in school shooting in 1988

BY MORGAN GREENE  
Chicago Tribune

On Friday morning, a boy bolted up a lime green slide in a small park tucked away on a corner of the Southwest Side. Two others pumped their legs back and forth on swings, flying up into the air and holding on as tight as all the yellow-spotted leaves still clinging to their branches. A young girl smiled and ran past a newly minted sign: Irma C. Ruiz Park.

Thirty years ago, Ruiz, a Chicago police officer who "took care of everyone," became one of the first female officers to be killed in the line of duty when a gunman entered a Near West Side school and shot at Ruiz, instantly ending the life of the beloved wife, mother of four and police partner.

A Chicago park in the Archer Heights neighborhood was officially renamed in her honor on Friday. More than a hundred friends, family, fellow officers — even the horse named after Ruiz — gathered for the dedication. And before and after the ceremony, Ruiz's grandchildren played in her park.

"Wow. Look at everyone," Irma Ruiz-Collins, the late officer's daughter, said in front of the crowd. "This is amazing."

"We hope the memory of 'Hey, I played at the Irma C. Ruiz Park' will live on one day through kids and generations to come," she said.

Ruiz-Collins spoke of her mother's laughter, strength and lessons.

"When that light and that energy left, we thought, 'How is our heart going to find life again, and light?'" she told those assembled.

Ruiz-Collins credited those who have kept her mother's memory alive: the 100 Club of Chicago, which offers financial and other support to families of fallen first responders; city and park officials; and those who decided to name a school after Ruiz.

"One by one they help put on the switches," Ruiz-Collins said.

She said she hopes the park honors the others affected by the tragedy: Greg Jaglowski, the police partner who exchanged fire with the gunman and survived; auto parts store workers John Van Dyke and Robert Quinn, who

were shot and killed by the gunman; and the school custodian Arthur Baker, who made it back into the school before he died to warn others about the gunman.

"We hope to offer you light," Ruiz-Collins said.

Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, also told those gathered for the event about how the threads of Ruiz's story are woven through so many lives.

"Today, as Irma reminds us, the lights continue to be turned on," he said. "I hope that youngsters like these who gather here to laugh and play and see this sign that will be here for generations, will ask, 'Who was Irma Ruiz?' And maybe their moms and dads will say, 'Irma Ruiz was a brave woman.'"

Earlier in the program, police Superintendent Eddie Johnson talked about his own connection to Ruiz, who was killed just as he was starting out in the department.

"Two weeks after I hit the streets of Chicago," he said. "I remember that day and I remember the pain I felt as a new cop, so I can't imagine the unimaginable pain and grief that the family had to have felt that day and still feels. That hole will never be filled. But in some small way we hope that these things let you know that

you will forever be part of the Chicago police family and we will, in fact, never forget."

Jaglowski, Ruiz's partner who shot and fatally wounded the gunman, started to talk about how proud Ruiz would be of her family before stopping for a moment to take a breath.

"I thought I'd get past this first card at least," he said.

"I know Irma to this day would be proud of the fact that we took on an assignment and we finished the assignment," Jaglowski continued. "And she paid the ultimate sacrifice, but I know today, and every day, she'd be proud."

As the dedication went on, "Amazing Grace," played by bagpipers, carried over the crowd and cut through the rustling leaves. Ruiz's husband and children looked on. The grandkids let loose a few red, white and blue balloons and watched them float up into the cloudy sky.

"Irma held off the rain," Jaglowski told the Tribune with a smile.

A line from friend and fellow officer Dorothy Piscitelli's eulogy seemed just as fitting as it did 30 years ago: "I can hear her saying: 'Is all of this for me?'"

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## Texas man sentenced in abduction

Girl, 15, was taken from McHenry County

BY AMANDA MARRAZZO  
Chicago Tribune

A Texas man who drove to McHenry County last Thanksgiving, then left town with a 15-year-old girl — with whom, his lawyer said, he had had an online romance for six months — was sentenced to 18 months in prison Friday for felony child abduction.

Multiple charges of child pornography against Francisco Tulul, 19, of Houston, were dismissed in exchange for his guilty plea in May.

Through an interpreter at Friday's sentencing hearing, Tulul, who moved to the United States from Guatemala to escape street gangs, said he did not know he was breaking the law when he drove to meet the girl in the McHenry County town of Harvard.

He said he came to the U.S. to work and send money back to his parents and did not know "anything about the laws in this country."

"I didn't come here to cause problems," he told Judge Sharon Prather.

But Assistant State's Attorney Randi Freese called what Tulul did a "parent's worst nightmare."

In arguing for prison time, Freese said the fact that Tulul drove from Texas to meet the minor girl then left town with her "shows (the) length he'll go to commit a crime and how dangerous he really is."

Outside the courtroom, Tulul's attorney, Jacob Meah, said the girl was not taken by force and Tulul "insisted" on meeting the girl's parents. He loved her and wanted to ask her parents for permission to marry her. It was the girl who chose not to have them meet. She told friends about him coming to meet her and willingly drove off with him, Meah said.

Meah said the girl was even driving Tulul's car and texted her parents to tell them she was leaving but would return. Meah said in Tulul's culture once a girl has her quinceañera celebration at age 15 she is considered an adult and a relationship is not considered illegal, and that is what Tulul believed to be true in the U.S.

By tracking the girl's cellphone GPS, police located the couple without incident at a rest stop in Edwardsville, about 300 miles south of McHenry County, authorities and Meah said.

Meah and prosecutors have said the girl and her mother have showed up at court hearings in support of Tulul. He will receive credit for the 330 days he has served in McHenry County jail. He still faces deportation through Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Amanda Marrazzo is a freelance reporter.



Tulul

# Missing writer dead, Saudi officials tweet

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cordings providing evidence that he was interrogated, killed and then cut into several pieces.

The official Saudi statement said King Salman also ordered creation of a commission to review and "modernize" the Kingdom's intelligence operations and report back within a month.

According to a list confirmed by Turkish officials, 15 Saudis flew to Istanbul on the morning of Oct. 2, participated in an operation that left Khashoggi dead and then quickly departed the country.

At least 12 members of that team are connected to Saudi security services and several have links to Mohammed, according to a review of passport records, social media, local news reports and other material.

Those personal connections and U.S. intelligence intercepts of Saudi officials discussing a plan to lure Khashoggi home have contributed to a growing suspicion that the crown prince was personally linked to the incident.

But the Saudi statement did not implicate him in the killing.

The preliminary investigation conducted by the

prosecutor found that the "suspects" traveled to Istanbul to meet with Khashoggi as he had expressed interest in returning to Saudi Arabia, the official news agency said.

Discussions that took place "developed in a negative way" and "led to a fight and a quarrel between some of them and the citizen," it said.

"The brawl aggravated to lead to his death and their attempt to conceal and cover what happened," it said.

Investigations are continuing with the 18 detainees, it said, without naming them.

"The Kingdom expresses its deep regret at the painful developments that have taken place and stresses the commitment of the authorities in the Kingdom to bring the facts to the public," the statement said.

White House press secretary Sarah Sanders issued a statement acknowledging the Saudi announcement that the investigation was progressing and that action had been taken against suspects.

"We will continue to closely follow the international investigations into this tragic incident and

advocate for justice that is timely, transparent, and in accordance with all due process. We are saddened to hear confirmation of Mr. Khashoggi's death, and we offer our deepest condolences to his family, fiancée, and friends," Sanders said.

President Donald Trump meanwhile called the Saudi announcement a "good first step" but said what happened to Khashoggi was "unacceptable."

Other reaction in Washington was more negative.

"To say that I am skeptical of the new Saudi narrative about Mr. Khashoggi is an understatement," Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said in a Twitter post.

"First we were told Mr. Khashoggi supposedly left the consulate and there was blanket denial of any Saudi involvement. Now, a fight breaks out and he's killed in the consulate, all without knowledge of Crown Prince."

Earlier Friday, Turkish prosecutors questioned staff at the Saudi Consulate, state media said, suggesting attempts to strengthen a possible criminal case with insider details from the last place Khashoggi was seen alive.

# Cops: Man found in car with 3 tires on Riverside street

Chicago Tribune

A North Riverside man was in a car with only three tires on it on a Riverside street early Thursday when he was approached by police.

The man, according to police, couldn't explain the missing tire but later had an explanation after he failed a sobriety test.

"I'm not really drunk but I'm sure on benzos," the man allegedly said, using the street name for sedatives.

The man, Raymond Schroeder, 42, told police he takes prescription clonazepam — a drug used for anxiety and to control seizures — twice a day and had

been drinking alcohol before he went driving, according to a news release from Riverside police.

Schroeder was charged with DUI alcohol, DUI drug, DUI combined alcohol and drugs, improper parking on a roadway, no vehicle insurance and having an unsafe tire, police said.

An officer on patrol came upon Schroeder's vehicle stopped on 31st Street just east of First Avenue about 12:18 a.m. The car, a 2005 Chevy, had one missing tire and the rim had been shattered.

According to the release,



Schroeder

the driver was sitting in the car. When the officer asked why he was stopped in the middle of traffic, Schroeder said he was out of gas and trying to push the vehicle home.

When asked about the missing tire, he could not give an explanation.

The officer smelled alcohol and noticed Schroeder appeared to be displaying signs of impairment due to drugs, police said.

Schroeder failed field sobriety tests, was arrested for drugged driving, and refused to take a breath test at the police station.

# Feds: Chicago man was a leader of Islamic State online propaganda

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forum in May. "Cut video publications into small clips, take still shots, and post the hard work of your brothers in the apostate's pages and sites. Participate in the war, and spread fear."

Authorities said the foundation ran like a well-oiled public relations firm, with writers, editors, tech advisers and audiovisual producers all pushing a central message of fear, violence and death.

When mistakes were made, employees were reprimanded, the complaint said. Last December, an editor sent out an office-wide note about an embarrassing gaffe on a design featuring President Donald Trump that a member had mistranslated from Arabic using a Google app.

"Instead of writing 'beheading' Trump, he wrote 'kissing and hugging' Trump," the federal charges quoted the memo as saying. "The Americans started laughing at the Islamic State. The image has circulated and it became a joke."

Al Safoo faces one count of conspiracy to provide support to a terrorist organization, a charge that carries a maximum of 20 years in prison on conviction.

Speaking in a loud, clear voice in court, Al Safoo told U.S. Magistrate Judge David Weisman that he works for an information technology company and has a master's degree in computer science. When Weisman asked him if he understood the charges, he said, "Yes, I do, your honor."

Prosecutors said they will seek to have Al Safoo held without bond pending trial, calling him a risk to flee and a danger to the community. Weisman set a detention hearing for Thursday.

The Khattab group uses a network of Twitter accounts and profiles on YouTube and other social media channels to celebrate terrorist attacks across the globe and highlight mass shootings in the U.S., according to the charges. The group also encourages "lone wolf" attacks in Western countries and has aggressively promoted violence during the Christmas season, the charges alleged.

Since the material promoted violence, Khattab members frequently had their social media accounts suspended or deleted by the social media platforms. To circumvent those security measures, members sought access to hacked Twitter accounts and used fake names to create bogus so-

cial media profiles to disseminate ISIS propaganda, the charges alleged.

According to the complaint, the investigation into Khattab intensified in March after an undercover FBI operative posing as a terrorist sympathizer convinced Al Safoo to give the agent access to the restricted forums and their hundreds of internal communications among the group's 21 main staff members.

The complaint also contained several still-frame images of some of the group's more disturbing propaganda campaigns. One taken from a video disseminated by the group online last December showed a present containing a ticking bomb placed under a Christmas tree and surrounded by children, according to the complaint. Another featured a headless Santa Claus sitting in a rocking chair under the slogan saying the "presents are on their way."

The group regularly promoted ISIS-inspired attacks, including the December 2017 shooting at a church in Egypt that killed nine people, the charges alleged.

But it also highlighted violence in the U.S. that was not connected to the terrorist group. The day after a gunman opened fire on concertgoers in Las Vegas in October 2017, killing 59, the media group called it a "blessed operation ... executed by one of the soldiers of the Caliphate," according to the complaint.

In court, Al Safoo identified his company as BlueBolt Solutions. His LinkedIn profile said he's been a web developer there since 2013, specializing in Microsoft Technologies.

BlueBolt CEO David Risner said in an emailed statement Friday that the company is "deeply shocked, saddened, and in complete disbelief" on learning of the charges and would cooperate fully with authorities in the investigation.

"Ashraf uses his personal time reading IT articles, development books, and contributing to IT communities," Al Safoo's LinkedIn profile said. "Ashraf is highly educated holding a Master degree in Computer Science."

According to the profile, he received an undergraduate degree in 2006 from Al-Hussein Bin Talal University in Jordan and a master's degree in 2007 from Universiti Sains Malaysia.

The criminal complaint said Al Safoo moved to the U.S. in 2008.

The charges were the latest in a string of cases involving Chicago-area men who allegedly plotted to join Islamic State, which rose to prominence in 2013 through the high-profile beheading of journalists, aid workers and other captives and at one point controlled large swaths of Iraq and Syria.

National security and counterterrorism officials were particularly concerned over Islamic State's burgeoning recruitment tactics that used glitzy videos and other online propaganda to radicalize young, disaffected Americans.

Although ISIS' territory and reach have shrunk dramatically in the past two years, officials said Friday that the threat remains, particularly online.

"At a time when the threat from internet-inspired terrorism remains high, we must be vigilant against those who disseminate on-line propaganda promoting violence in support of ISIS, like Ashraf al Safoo is alleged to have conspired to have done," Assistant U.S. Attorney General John Demers said in a statement.

Jeffrey Sallett, head of the FBI in Chicago, said "homegrown terrorists and 'lone-actor' operators" continue to be a focus of the bureau.

On the quiet residential block where Al Safoo lived, neighbors said Friday that he and his family — including several young children — could often be seen walking or biking together but that they mostly kept to themselves. The family lives in a yellow-brick two-flat building on a dead-end street amid a mix of apartments and single-family homes.

"They are very quiet people," said Dina Bardhi, who lives next door.

News of the charges spread quickly through the neighborhood. Neighbor Maria Nguyen said she received a barrage of text messages from friends when news reports cited their block as the suspect's home.

Bardhi said she too has received many calls from neighbors. The case, she said, has stirred up some unease in the typically quiet neighborhood along the Chicago River.

"To think that someone here was involved in something like that, it's scary," she said.

Chicago Tribune's Madeline Buckley contributed.

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## NATION & WORLD

# Russian charged in election case

U.S. says accountant sought to influence this year's midterms

By **DEB RIECHMANN AND ERIC TUCKER**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. accused a Russian accountant Friday of conspiring in a sweeping effort to sway American public opinion through social media in the first federal case alleging foreign interference in the 2018 midterm elections.

The criminal complaint alleges that Russians are using some of the same techniques to influence U.S. politics as they relied on ahead of the 2016 presidential election, methods laid bare by an investigation from special counsel Robert Mueller into possible coordination between Russia and Donald Trump's campaign.

The Justice Department unsealed the criminal complaint on the same day that U.S. intelligence agencies, in a rare public statement, asserted that Russia, China, Iran and other countries are engaged in continuous efforts to influence American policy and voters in the upcoming elections and beyond.

National security adviser John Bolton heads to Russia on Saturday.

The U.S. is concerned about the foreign campaigns "to undermine confidence in democratic institutions and influence public sentiment and government policies," said the statement from national security officials. The statement, which provided no details about any such efforts, said, "These activities also may



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Christopher Krebs, Homeland Security's cybersecurity chief, addresses midterm election meddling Friday in Arlington, Va.

seek to influence voter perceptions and decision-making in the 2018 and 2020 U.S. elections."

The separate Justice Department prosecution targets Elena Alekseevna Khusyaynova, a St. Petersburg woman who prosecutors say helped manage the finances of a hidden but powerful Russian social media effort aimed at spreading distrust for American political candidates and causing divisions on hot-button social issues like immigration and gun control.

Prosecutors say Khusyaynova, 44, worked for the same social media troll farm that was indicted earlier this year by Mueller. The social media effort outlined by prosecutors Friday largely mirrors Mueller's criminal case against three Russian companies, includ-

ing the Internet Research Agency, and 13 Russians, including one is a close ally to Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Prosecutors say the conduct singled out Friday runs afoul of criminal laws that bar foreign nationals from attempting to influence U.S. elections, or from engaging in political activities without first registering with the attorney general.

Asked about the new accusation against the Russians at an appearance in Arizona, President Donald Trump responded that it had "nothing to do with me."

Since at least 2015, the group created thousands of false social media profiles and email accounts that appeared to be from people inside the U.S. and were aimed to "create and amplify divisive social and po-

litical content," including on current events, such as deadly shootings in South Carolina and Las Vegas, prosecutors said in court papers.

One fake persona, registered to "Bertha Malone," made over 400 Facebook posts containing inflammatory content. Another fake Facebook account, in the name of "Rachell Edison," made more than 700 posts focused on gun control and the Second Amendment.

The Russian organizers of the conspiracy advised that the posts should reflect various viewpoints, and it gave specific instructions to only share articles from certain news websites to correspond to specific political views, prosecutors said.

After one news article appeared online with the headline, "McCain Says Thinking a Wall Will Stop

Illegal Immigration is 'Crazy,'" members of the group were told to brand the senator as "an old geezer who has lost it and who long ago belonged in a home for the elderly." They were also told to say that McCain, R-Ariz., had a "pathological hatred toward Donald Trump and toward all his initiatives."

McCain died in August.

The new prosecution was brought by the Justice Department's national security division and prosecutors from the Eastern District of Virginia. There is no allegation in the complaint of coordination with the Trump campaign.

Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov said recently that Russia has no intention to interfere in the midterm elections in the U.S. or meddle elsewhere.

Separately, a top cyberse-

curity official, Christopher Krebs, who is undersecretary at DHS for the National Protection and Programs Directorate, noted that administration cyber officials have not seen "anything anywhere remotely close to '16," when the Russian campaign was in full swing.

But Krebs issued a cautionary note: "We're looking for those things that can pop up at the last minute."

Friday's separate statement about foreign influence in U.S. elections was issued weeks before the Nov. 6 elections by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, the Justice Department, the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security.

Given the breadth of alleged interference by Russia, which includes the hacking of Democratic email accounts ahead of the 2016 presidential election, it was notable that the intelligence community identified two other nations in the same statement that did not provide specific examples of foreign meddling.

Meanwhile, Vice President Mike Pence blasted China in a speech saying Russia's influence efforts in America pale in comparison with the covert and overt activities of the Chinese to interfere in the midterms and counter Trump's tough trade policies against Beijing.

But top administration officials have provided little evidence that China's activities are comparable to Russia's massive covert measures that were spelled out in previous indictments obtained by Mueller.

The Washington Post contributed.

## NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

### Afghanistan postpones election in Kandahar after deadly attack

KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghanistan's election commission on Friday postponed elections in Kandahar for a week, following a brazen attack by an Afghan guard on a high-profile security meeting there with a U.S. delegation that killed at least two senior provincial officials.

The Taliban have claimed responsibility for the assault, saying they targeted the top U.S. commander in the country,

Gen. Scott Miller, who was at the meeting but was unharmed.

The attack, more than 17 years after the Taliban were driven from power, underscores the harrowing insecurity in Afghanistan ahead of parliamentary elections.

The Taliban have vowed to disrupt Saturday's vote, warning teachers and students not to allow schools to be used and warning Afghans to stay away from the polls.

### Reports: Airstrikes in east Syria kill, hurt dozens in ISIS pocket

BEIRUT — Syrian state media and a war monitor say airstrikes by the U.S.-led coalition on a town held by the Islamic State group have killed and wounded dozens.

State news agency SANA said the airstrikes on Sousa on Thursday and Friday left several people dead or wounded.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said 46 civilians and Islamic State

fighters were killed since Thursday.

Sousa is in the last Islamic State-held pocket in Syria where U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces have been on the offensive for weeks.

A Turkish official said a summit of leaders from Turkey, France, Germany and Russia will be held in Istanbul this month to discuss the conflict in Syria and efforts for a lasting solution to the war.

### Judge in Virginia sets Feb. date for Manafort to be sentenced

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Paul Manafort, President Donald Trump's onetime campaign chairman, is set to be sentenced Feb. 8 in an Alexandria federal court on eight bank and tax fraud crimes.

Judge T.S. Ellis set the sentencing date during a Friday afternoon hearing. The judge also dismissed 10 counts on which a jury deadlocked at Manafort's summertime trial.

Legal experts said

Manafort is likely to face about seven to 10 years in prison under sentencing guidelines. He also faces sentencing in a related case in Washington, also brought by special counsel Robert Mueller.

Manafort, 69, appeared in court in a wheelchair Friday. His defense attorney said in court that there are "significant issues with Mr. Manafort's health ... that have to do with his confinement."



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Members of the crowd that had gathered for the religious festival shout slogans denouncing railway officials Friday after the accident in Amritsar.

### Train mows down crowd at India festival; at least 60 dead

NEW DELHI — A speeding train ran over a crowd watching fireworks during a religious festival in northern India on Friday, killing at least 60 people and injuring dozens more, police said.

The train failed to stop after the accident on the outskirts of Amritsar, a city in Punjab state, said the state governing Congress party politician, Pratap Singh Bajwa.

The Press Trust of India news agency said two trains arrived from the opposite direction on separate tracks at the same time giving little opportunity for

people to escape. However, the fatalities and injuries were caused by one of the trains, it quoted officials as saying.

A witness said the train didn't even sound its whistle as it sped past the site, where hundreds were gathered during the Hindu festival of Dussehra.

"Why did authorities allow the fireworks display so close to the railroad track?" he asked, adding that he lost two brothers.

Another witness said the victims didn't realize that a train was coming because the fireworks were too loud.

Navjot Kaur Siddhu, a local Congress party politician who was the chief guest at the religious function, said the celebrations take place in the area every year and railroad authorities are alerted to run the trains at slow speeds.

A large number of people live in the area with homes on both sides of the railroad tracks, she said.

However, junior Railways Minister Manoj Sinha said after visiting the accident site that organizers of the festival did not alert railroad authorities about their plan to hold a religious function there.

### Diocese in Buffalo also focus of U.S. investigation

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Federal investigators looking into clergy sexual misconduct collected documents from the Diocese of Buffalo in June but have not been in contact since then, the diocese said.

The diocese acknowledged the federal inquiry late Thursday amid reports the Justice Department has opened investigations across neighboring Pennsylvania into the Roman Catholic Church's handling of child sex-abuse allegations against priests.

Buffalo Bishop Richard Malone has been under increasing pressure to resign over his handling of complaints across neighboring Pennsylvania into the Roman Catholic Church's handling of child sex-abuse allegations against priests.

The interest by federal investigators predates the launch of a separate state-wide civil investigation by New York Attorney General Barbara Underwood.

**In Brazil:** One of the most prized possessions of Brazil's National Museum has been found amid debris after a fire on Sept. 2 sent the building up in flames.

Museum director Alexander Kellner said the fossil, named "Luzia," was broken and that 80 percent of its pieces had been found.

**Online:** Facebook has hired former U.K. Deputy Prime Minister Nick Clegg to head its global policy and communications teams, enlisting a veteran of European politics to help with increased regulatory scrutiny in the region. Clegg, 51, will be a vice president and report to Chief Operating Officer Sheryl Sandberg.

### Housing official caught up in Interior dispute quits

WASHINGTON — A political appointee who was caught up in a dispute between the departments of Interior and Housing and Urban Development has resigned. Assistant HUD secretary Suzanne Israel Tufts was tapped to lead an internal watchdog agency at Interior, but in-

stead has left government. A HUD official announced her resignation Friday, a week after HUD Secretary Ben Carson said in an email to staff that she would take over as Interior's acting inspector general. Tufts would've replaced longtime acting inspector general Mary

Kendall. Heather Swift, a spokeswoman for Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, said Thursday that Carson's email "had false information in it." HUD blamed a "miscommunication" for the mistaken email sent by Carson.

# Pompeo warns of crisis as caravan pushes north

Police fire tear gas as migrants break Guatemalan fence

BY KEVIN SIEFF  
The Washington Post

MEXICO CITY — As thousands of Central American migrants inched closer to Mexico's southern border, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met with top officials in Mexico, hoping to divert the caravan before it reaches the United States.

By Friday morning, at least 1,000 migrants had arrived in the city of Tecun Uman, in northern Guatemala, and by early afternoon, 3,000-plus migrants began walking across a bridge connecting the countries. A huge group waited to be processed by Mexican authorities, punctuated by moments of disorder, as police fired tear gas into the crowd.

"We are quickly reaching a point which appears to be a moment of crisis" with the flow of Central American migrants, Pompeo said in a joint appearance with Mexico's foreign minister, Luis Videgaray.

Mexican authorities, in search of a way both to satisfy President Donald Trump's demand that they deter the migrants and to avoid violating interna-



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Would-be migrants scale a gate Friday separating Guatemala and Mexico. A caravan of migrants, mostly Hondurans, is trying to pass into Mexico en route to the United States.

tional law, have asked the United Nations to set up a migrant processing center near their southern border.

During the joint appearance Friday, Pompeo said:

"The way you will handle this is your sovereign decision."

But as Trump said at a rally Thursday that the midterm elections would

hinge in part on the caravan, it was clear that U.S. pressure on Mexico would continue.

The members of the caravan appeared unlikely to

wait for the United Nations.

On Friday, many migrants approached border crossings where Guatemalan police officers appeared prepared to block

their passage, but by the early afternoon migrants broke through a fence on the Guatemalan side, forcing their way to the Mexican side of the bridge.

Mexican authorities used riot gear to dispel some of the migrants, telling them to be prepared to wait for processing.

In response to the deployment of Mexican police, Trump tweeted, "Thank you Mexico," on Thursday, just hours after threatening to deploy the U.S. military and "close our southern border" — potentially upending a recent trade deal with Mexico and Canada.

His threats have kept pace with the migrants' journey.

As they were passing through Guatemala, he threatened to withdraw aid from Central American nations if they did not stop the migrants. Paradoxically, much of that aid is used in programs aimed at deterring migration.

Speaking at the joint news conference, Videgaray said the Mexican government would enforce the country's immigration laws, "in a humanitarian form, thinking first of the interest of the migrant."

Associated Press contributed.

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The agreement will provide funds to women who claimed abuse by a University of Southern California gynecologist.

## USC agrees to pay \$215M to settle doctor abuse claims

BY AMANDA LEE MYERS  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The University of Southern California on Friday announced a tentative agreement for a \$215 million class-action settlement of claims involving alleged sexual harassment and abuse by a gynecologist who treated hundreds of students over decades.

The agreement will provide compensation from \$2,500 to \$250,000 to women who have claimed abuse by Dr. George Tyndall between 1988 and 2016, USC Interim President Wanda Austin said in a statement.

About 500 current and former students have made accusations against Tyndall. They contend he routinely made crude comments, took inappropriate photos, forced them to strip naked and groped them under the guise of medical treatment.

The settlement applies to a pending federal class-action lawsuit that involves about 40 women who have accused Tyndall, according to John Manly, an attorney who represents 180 women who have accused the gynecologist.

The hundreds of women who have filed various lawsuits against the university can join the lawsuit affected by the agreement but Manly said he is advising his clients against doing so.

"The only guaranteed number in this case is \$2,500," Manly said, adding that "\$2,500 won't even get you a 50-yard-line seat at a USC football game, let alone compensate somebody for being sexually assaulted by their doctor when they were 18 or 17?"

He criticized the proposed settlement, which needs to be approved by a judge, as failing to hold USC accountable.

"We still don't know when did USC first know, how often were they warned, what administrators were involved, was

there criminal conduct?" Manly said. "Our clients, more than anything, want those answers and people held accountable, not because it helps their case but to protect the future women at USC."

If the settlement is approved, any victims who have not yet come forward and filed legal action would be held to its terms, Manly said, adding that USC wants to cap future monetary damages.

Attorney Gloria Allred, who represents 36 women who have accused Tyndall, said the amount of money under the proposed settlement is "way too minimal."

"In our opinion, for what some of the victims went through, this is a nuisance amount and may not properly compensate victims for what some of them have suffered," she said, adding that her firm will continue to litigate their cases.

USC did not respond to an email message seeking a response to Manly's and Allred's comments.

Tyndall spent about three decades as a USC staff gynecologist before retiring last year after an investigation found there was evidence that Tyndall sexually harassed students during exams.

Tyndall has denied the allegations and has not been charged with a crime.

His attorney did not respond Friday to email and phone messages seeking comment.

The university was first criticized in the case after the Los Angeles Times reported earlier this year that complaints and comments about Tyndall's care went unheeded by the school for decades and that USC failed to report him to the medical board even after the school quietly forced him into retirement.

Two administrators were fired and President C.L. Max Nikias stepped down. USC has denied accusations of a cover-up.

# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## Sears burns through cash while it counts on loans

Turnaround tied to millions within months

BY ELIZA RONALDS-HANNON AND ALLISON MCNEELY Bloomberg News

Fast-dwindling cash is casting doubt on whether Sears Holdings Corp. can firm up its survival plan in time to avoid liquidation.

Sears is expected to bleed \$220 million in just the first month of its bankruptcy, court filings show, cutting deep into the \$300 million loan it secured this week from senior lenders. The crunch could become more acute if Sears doesn't get an additional \$300 million it's counting on from Chairman Edward Lampert to keep operating beyond the next 15 days.

The retailer is staking its turnaround on getting a \$112 million loan from Lampert's ESL Investments hedge fund by Nov. 3, according to a budget approved by the court, and \$188 million more over the following two months. The new funds, Sears said in court papers, "will not be required for the Debtors to operate during the first two weeks of these cases, but will become necessary thereafter."

Key terms still need to be worked out with other stakeholders. Friction could develop over issues such as what assets Lampert would get as collateral, whether he gets to be the



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lead bidder to buy some Sears stores, and what concessions creditors will make — if any — to settle their claims against him. Representatives for Sears and ESL Investments declined to comment on the cash burn or the negotiations.

Sears' historical cash needs suggest the existing \$300 million in financing won't last long, said Steve Goldberg, president of the New York-based retail consultancy The Grayson Co. "It's not a lot, considering their obligations with paying vendors, not to mention staffing and other operational costs," Goldberg said.

By comparison, Toys R Us borrowed around \$1 billion when it filed bankruptcy, and it still burned through that cash too fast

to survive. The experience left creditors and vendors wary. "There is no such thing anymore as too big to fail. We learned that with Toys," said Kenneth Rosen, chairman of the bankruptcy and creditors' rights practice at Lowenstein Sandler in New York. His firm represented some vendors that were creditors to Toys R Us.

While Sears could have used a larger loan, it's a tough sell to lenders who are skeptical of the chain's staying power, given the company's long decline.

"The big issue today compared to a couple of years ago is that the consumer doesn't need them," said Goldberg, who has worked for Allied Stores and American Express. "There's nothing that the

consumer can get at a Sears or Kmart that they can't get at Walmart or Target or some other retailer."

For his part, Lampert says he believes Sears has a future "as a smaller, less indebted retailer," according to a statement on the day the bankruptcy was filed by the Hoffman Estates-based company. "We intend to work closely and collaboratively with other stakeholders to restructure the company's balance sheet using the Chapter 11 framework as quickly and efficiently as possible," Lampert wrote.

The Toys R Us comparison is top of mind for stakeholders concerned they'll end up on the wrong side of a sudden liquidation. That includes vendors and landlords, who may run out of patience as Sears works on its rescue plan. That would make any turnaround tougher, according to Goldberg. "It becomes a bit of a self-fulfilling prophecy; if they can't get fresh inventories, it just exacerbates it even further," he said.

The prospect could make some stakeholders reluctant to go along with the recovery plan even if Lampert does come through with more money, Rosen said. "If they're losing \$220 million a month, the question is, how long can they continue before the bondholders and the bank say, 'Shut this thing down!'"

Bloomberg's Josh Saul and Steven Church contributed.

## David's Bridal chain skips loan payment

BY ROBERT CHANNICK Chicago Tribune

David's Bridal, the nation's largest independent provider of wedding gowns, may be on the brink of bankruptcy after skipping an interest payment on a \$270 million loan this week.

The Pennsylvania-based chain, which outfits 1 in 3 U.S. brides through more than 300 stores nationwide, including eight in the Chicago area, insists that no one will be left at the altar without a dress while the company looks to improve its balance sheet.

"Our financial outlook is strong and we have ample liquidity to meet our key business objectives today and in the future," the company said in a statement.

But Mathew Christy, an analyst with S&P Global Ratings who follows privately held David's Bridal, said deferring the interest payment could well signal an imminent bankruptcy filing. "We look at the that as essentially a precursor to some sort of restructuring action," Christy said Friday.

David's Bridal made the "strategic decision" not to make an interest payment that was due Monday while negotiating with lenders, the company said. It has a 30-day grace period to make the interest payment before defaulting on the 7.75 percent unsecured loans, which mature in 2020.

"With the assistance of our financial and legal advisors, we are engaged in discussions with our lenders in order to reach a mutually agreed upon resolution designed to strengthen our balance sheet so we

can increase our financial flexibility and further invest in our business," the company said.

Founded in 1950 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., David's Bridal has expanded into an international wedding outfitter, with stores in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom. It does not disclose annual revenues, but its retail footprint has been relatively stable in recent years. The market, however, has been shifting dramatically, Christy said. In addition to an "onerous" capital structure, David's Bridal is facing a decline in the marriage rate, changing tastes and more competition from online wedding dress providers, he said.

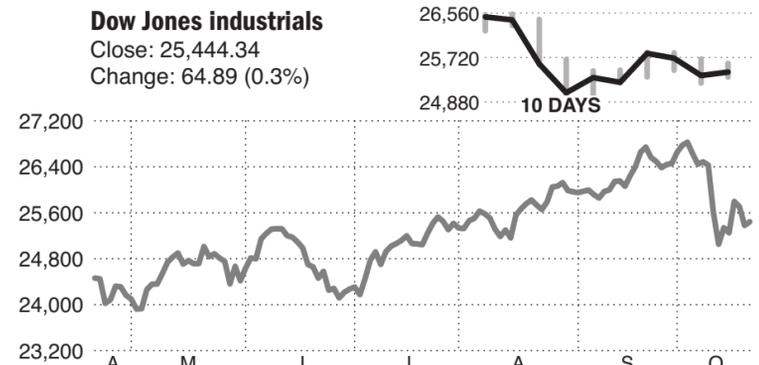
"There's been a change in trend in the spending habits of brides," Christy said, noting that online purveyors offer "increased price transparency," enabling brides and wedding attendants to stretch their money. The rise of destination weddings also has contributed to a reallocation of budgets and less expensive outfitting, he said. "There has been a shift to less traditional weddings — either destination weddings or beach weddings — with less extravagant gowns. A smaller or lower-priced gown for the bride gives them the ability to spend more of their assets at the wedding."

In its statement, David's Bridal called discussions with lenders "constructive," while pledging to keep its doors open and wedding parties fully clothed during negotiations.

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### MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 25,608.71 Low: 25,350.02 Previous: 25,379.45



**Nasdaq**  
Close: 7,449.03  
Change: -36.11 (-0.48%)

**S&P 500**  
Close: 2,767.78  
Change: -1.00 (-0.04%)

**Russell 2000**  
Close: 1,542.04  
Change: -18.71 (-1.20%)

**10-yr T-note**  
Change: +.02 to 3.19%

**Gold futures**  
Change: -1.20 to \$1,225.30

**Yen**  
Change: +.40 to 112.60/\$1

**Euro**  
Change: -.0034 to .8688/\$1

**Crude Oil**  
Change: +.47 to \$69.12

### 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   |
| +41            | -64  | +02 | -4.86           | -6.74 | -5.53 | +9.07           | +12.37 | +7.48 |

| COMMODITY                  | AMOUNT-PRICE                       | MO.    | OPEN   | HIGH   | LOW    | SETTLE | CHG.   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| WHEAT (CBOT)               | 5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel | Dec 18 | 513    | 518.50 | 510.75 | 514.75 | +1.75  |
| CORN (CBOT)                | 5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel | Dec 18 | 370.50 | 371    | 366    | 367    | -3.75  |
| SOYBEANS (CBOT)            | 5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel | Nov 18 | 865.25 | 866.25 | 856.25 | 856.75 | -6.75  |
| SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)         | 60,000 lbs- cents per lb           | Dec 18 | 29.17  | 29.44  | 28.96  | 29.14  | +1.2   |
| SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)        | 100 tons- dollars per ton          | Dec 18 | 316.60 | 317.70 | 313.00 | 313.10 | -3.20  |
| LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)   | 1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.       | Nov 18 | 68.68  | 69.77  | 68.56  | 69.12  | +4.7   |
| NATURAL GAS (NYMX)         | 10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu     | Nov 18 | 3.226  | 3.258  | 3.155  | 3.250  | +0.52  |
| NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX) | 42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon | Nov 18 | 1.871  | 1.9354 | 1.8898 | 1.9139 | +0.228 |

### 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     | 67.59  | -.55  | Equity Lifestyle Prop | N     | 94.37  | +4.9  | Mondelez Intl         | O     | 41.80  | +7.6  |
| AbbVie Inc          | N     | 87.97  | -1.93 | Equity Residential    | N     | 64.87  | +4.6  | Morningstar Inc       | O     | 115.14 | +9.5  |
| Allstate Corp       | N     | 97.32  | +7.1  | Exelon Corp           | N     | 44.13  | +1.05 | Motorola Solutions    | N     | 123.36 | -.49  |
| Aptargroup Inc      | N     | 104.32 | +0.5  | First Indl RT         | N     | 30.65  | +2.0  | Navistar Intl         | N     | 34.97  | +0.2  |
| Arch Dan Mid        | N     | 49.54  | +3.3  | Fortune Brds Hm&Sec   | N     | 46.42  | -.21  | NiSource Inc          | N     | 25.40  | +1.6  |
| Baxter Intl         | N     | 69.46  | -1.01 | Gallagher AJ          | N     | 72.67  | +1.01 | Nthn Trust Cp         | O     | 93.14  | +0.3  |
| Boeing Co           | N     | 356.26 | -3.09 | Grainger WW           | N     | 276.28 | +1.35 | Old Republic          | N     | 20.57  | +1.6  |
| Brunswick Corp      | N     | 58.97  | -.75  | GrubHub Inc           | N     | 114.69 | -2.72 | Packaging Corp Am     | N     | 87.92  | -1.14 |
| CBOE Global Markets | N     | 104.91 | +1.61 | Hill-Rom Hldgs        | N     | 87.30  | -1.23 | Payloadcity Hldg      | O     | 64.44  | -1.32 |
| CDW Corp            | O     | 57.28  | -.44  | IDEX Corp             | N     | 132.86 | -1.51 | Stericycle Inc        | O     | 53.05  | -.07  |
| CF Industries       | N     | 50.64  | -.18  | ITW                   | N     | 127.03 | -1.40 | Teleph Data           | N     | 32.11  | +1.7  |
| CME Group           | O     | 182.65 | +7.3  | Ingredion Inc         | N     | 102.60 | +1.00 | TransUnion            | N     | 68.17  | -.46  |
| CNA Financial       | N     | 44.15  | +2.1  | Jones Lang LaSalle    | N     | 133.02 | +1.30 | Tribune Media Co A    | N     | 38.81  | +1.1  |
| Caterpillar Inc     | N     | 131.32 | -3.62 | Kemper Corp           | N     | 73.85  | -.01  | USG Corp              | N     | 42.65  | -.07  |
| ConAgra Brands Inc  | N     | 35.84  | +4.1  | Kraft Heinz Co        | O     | 57.56  | +2.02 | Ultra Salon Cosmetics | O     | 270.78 | -2.66 |
| Deere Co            | N     | 145.91 | -1.29 | LKQ Corporation       | O     | 27.76  | -.22  | United Contl Hldgs    | O     | 87.43  | +3.4  |
| Discover Fin Svcs   | N     | 76.03  | +1.09 | Littelfuse Inc        | O     | 175.27 | -2.24 | Ventas Inc            | N     | 55.94  | +6.0  |
| Dover Corp          | N     | 82.41  | -1.08 | MB Financial          | O     | 43.57  | -.17  | Walgreen Boots Alli   | O     | 77.35  | +7.7  |
| Equity Commonwlth   | N     | 29.48  | -.01  | McDonalds Corp        | N     | 167.49 | +6.8  | Wintrust Financial    | O     | 79.08  | -.65  |
|                     |       |        |       | Middleby Corp         | O     | 114.67 | -1.35 | Zebra Tech            | O     | 164.95 | -3.54 |

### MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

| STOCK                | CLOSE | CHG.  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|
| Gen Electric         | 12.56 | +1.8  |
| Bank of America      | 28.32 | +0.7  |
| Ford Motor           | 8.50  | -.01  |
| Cleveland-Cliffs Inc | 11.05 | -.43  |
| AT&T Inc             | 32.87 | +3.7  |
| Procter & Gamble     | 87.30 | +7.06 |
| Petrobras            | 15.49 | +1.6  |
| Chesapeake Energy    | 4.69  | +0.3  |
| Ambev S.A.           | 4.51  | +0.6  |
| Rite Aid Corp        | 1.01  | -.04  |
| Keycorp              | 17.84 | -.26  |
| Twitter Inc          | 28.83 | -.46  |
| Kinder Morgan Inc    | 17.98 | +0.4  |
| Wells Fargo & Co     | 52.89 | -.21  |
| Gerdau SA            | 4.00  | -.13  |
| Snap Inc A           | 6.81  | ...   |
| Vale SA              | 15.26 | +1.1  |
| Pfizer Inc           | 44.50 | +5.0  |
| Kinross Gold         | 2.93  | +0.8  |
| Verizon Comm         | 54.90 | +2.5  |
| Nokia Corp           | 5.62  | +0.7  |
| Barrick Gold         | 13.18 | +0.2  |
| Oracle Corp          | 47.59 | +2.1  |
| EnCana Corp          | 11.19 | +0.8  |

### LARGEST COMPANIES

| STOCK               | CLOSE   | CHG.  |
|---------------------|---------|-------|
| Alibaba Group Hldg  | 142.93  | +9.1  |
| Alphabet Inc C      | 1096.46 | +8.49 |
| Alphabet Inc A      | 1105.18 | +7.27 |
| Amazon.com Inc      | 1764.03 | -6.69 |
| Apple Inc           | 219.31  | +3.29 |
| Bank of America     | 28.32   | +0.7  |
| Berkshire Hath B    | 209.83  | +1.13 |
| Exxon Mobil Corp    | 81.97   | +1.13 |
| Facebook Inc        | 154.05  | -.87  |
| JPMorgan Chase      | 107.91  | -.18  |
| Johnson & Johnson   | 139.05  | -.45  |
| Microsoft Corp      | 108.66  | +1.6  |
| Pfizer Inc          | 44.50   | +5.0  |
| Royal Dutch Shell B | 67.72   | +9.7  |
| Royal Dutch Shell A | 65.53   | +8.3  |
| Unitedhealth Group  | 265.30  | -1.51 |
| Visa Inc            | 140.08  | +7.9  |
| WalMart Strs        | 97.15   | +9.8  |
| Wells Fargo & Co    | 52.89   | -.21  |

### LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

| FUND                         | NAV    | CHG  | 1-YR IN \$ %RTN |
|------------------------------|--------|------|-----------------|
| American Funds AMCPA m       | 32.84  | -.25 | +11.4           |
| American Funds AMRCNBaIA m   | 27.05  | -.04 | +4.6            |
| American Funds CptWldGrncA m | 48.13  | +0.3 | -1.0            |
| American Funds CplncBldrA m  | 58.74  | +2.1 | -2.5            |
| American Funds FdmtlInvSA m  | 61.88  | -.03 | +6.6            |
| American Funds GrfAmrCA m    | 52.73  | -.32 | +12.0           |
| American Funds IncAmrCA m    | 22.55  | +0.5 | +9.4            |
| American Funds InvCAmrcA m   | 40.12  | -.07 | +6.4            |
| American Funds NwPrspvctA m  | 43.46  | -.05 | +3.0            |
| American Funds WAMtInvSA m   | 44.96  | -.01 | +8.4            |
| DFA IntlCorEqIn              | 12.96  | ...  | -6.2            |
| Dodge & Cox Inc              | 13.27  | -.02 | -1.0            |
| Dodge & Cox IntlStk          | 41.32  | +1.1 | -10.0           |
| Dodge & Cox Stk              | 206.20 | +3.2 | +8.9            |
| Doubleline TRRetBd           | 10.29  | -.01 | -3.3            |
| Fidelity 500dInx             | 96.80  | -.04 | +1.1            |
| Fidelity 500dInxPrm          | 96.80  | -.03 | +1.1            |
| Fidelity 500dInxPrm          | 96.80  | -.03 | +1.1            |
| Fidelity Contrafund          | 13.04  | -.06 | +2.7            |
| Fidelity ContrafundK         | 13.04  | -.06 | +12.8           |
| Fidelity GroCo               | 19.35  | -.19 | +13.2           |
| Fidelity TMktIdxPrm          | 79.48  | -.16 | +9.2            |
| Franklin Templeton IncA1 m   | 2.28   | +0.1 | +4.4            |
| Metropolitan West TRRetBd    | 10.21  | -.01 | -1.9            |
| PIMCO IncInstl               | 11.85  | ...  | +6              |
| PIMCO TRRetIn                | 9.85   | -.02 | -2.0            |
| Schwab SP500dIx              | 43.28  | -.02 | +1.1            |
| T. Rowe Price BCGR           | 105.82 | -.54 | +14.8           |
| T. Rowe Price GrStk          | 67.25  | -.27 | +11.3           |
| Vanguard 500dIdxAdmrl        | 255.81 | -.09 | +10.1           |
| Vanguard DivGrIn             | 27.58  | +0.5 | +10.9           |
| Vanguard GrdAdmrl            | 77.14  | -.21 | +12.3           |
| Vanguard HCAmrl              | 92.45  | -.49 | +8.9            |
| Vanguard IntTTEAdmrl         | 13.67  | ...  | -1.2            |
| Vanguard InsdInxIn           | 252.37 | -.09 | +10.1           |
| Vanguard IntdInxAdmrl        | 21.71  | -.01 | +1.5            |
| Vanguard IntdInxPlus         | 252.39 | -.09 | +10.1           |
| Vanguard IntTSMInPls         | 61.13  | -.13 | +9.3            |
| Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl         | 88.71  | +4.1 | -5.2            |
| Vanguard MDCpAdmrl           | 189.46 | -.98 | +4.1            |
| Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl          | 143.28 | -.81 | +12.1           |
| Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl      | 10.41  | ...  | -1.1            |
| Vanguard SmCpAdmrl           | 71.50  | -.68 | +6.0            |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv      | 31.03  | ...  | +1.2            |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv      | 18.27  | ...  | +1.4            |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv      | 33.24  | +0.1 | +1.7            |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv      | 20.44  | ...  | +1.9            |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2040Inv      | 10.26  | -.01 | -2.2            |
| Vanguard TBMdIdxIn           | 10.26  | -.01 | -2.2            |
| Vanguard TBMdIdxAdmrl        | 21.71  | -.01 | +1.5            |
| Vanguard TBMdInx             | 32.58  | -.02 | +1.5            |
| Vanguard TSMdIdxAdmrl        | 27.14  | +1.2 | -6.7            |
| Vanguard TSMdInx             | 108.54 | +5.0 | -6.6            |
| Vanguard TSMdInxPlus         | 108.55 | +4.9 | -6.6            |
| Vanguard TSMdInxPrm          | 16.23  | -.08 | +9.3            |
| Vanguard TSMdInxAdmrl        | 68.82  | -1.4 | -6.7            |
| Vanguard TSMdInx             | 68.83  | -1.4 | +9.2            |
| Vanguard WlghtnAdmrl         | 71.44  | +0.5 | +7.7            |
| Vanguard WlghtnAdmrl         | 62.97  | +0.7 | +8              |
| Vanguard WlghtnAdmrl         | 67.72  | +0.4 | +6.9            |

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## EDITORIALS ENDORSEMENTS

# Final choices for Illinois House

**88th District:** The economy in this district depends on three engines: State Farm Insurance, Caterpillar and Illinois State University. (And gondola subs from Avanti's Italian Restaurant.) State Farm has been transitioning jobs out of state. Caterpillar moved its headquarters to Deerfield. ISU got pinched during, but survived, the budget impasse. This district needs a strong voice in Springfield. It has been represented by Rep. Keith Sommer, R-Morton, since 1999. He happens to be one of the most soft-spoken members of the House and rarely gets challenged at the ballot box. Voters should go with



**Jill Blair**, a Democrat from Bloomington, who worked for Heartland Community College. We don't agree with her on a graduated income tax — she supports the idea — but this district needs a stronger presence in the Capitol. She would fight for more higher education resources and would partner with central Illinois lawmakers on regional projects. Blair is endorsed.

**89th District:** You won't find a more sincere candidate this election cycle than Nicholas Hyde of Galena, a public defender for Jo Daviess County and a Democrat. He is a thoughtful attorney — and of course an Eagle Scout — with state government experience. During law school, he helped draft bills for legislators. But the more seasoned choice is Republican **Andrew Chesney** of Freeport,

an at-large alderman and business owner who understands what is causing the state's out-migration: a lackluster business climate and high property taxes. His priorities would be to address both. Chesney, the pocketbook protector in this race, is endorsed.

**90th District:** You might think Amy Davis, Democrat from Dixon, would be well-suited to work alongside Illinois politicians: Her career was in the Department of Corrections. (Insert laugh track). Davis offers a unique perspective as a longtime teacher at Sheridan Correctional Center. But she admits her policy experience is limited. We're endorsing Rep. **Tom Demmer**, R-Dixon, who has become a standout in the House for taking on complicated topics, particularly Medicaid reform. He also is a valuable resource for both parties on the state budget. Demmer has earned another term.

**91st District:** In 2016, the Peoria Journal Star recommended that its readers reject a handful of incumbents including Rep. Michael Unes, R-East Peoria. Of him and the others, the newspaper said: "Nothing personal or partisan. We've just had enough." Two years later, it's hard to see what Unes has accomplished. His voting record is all over the place. He has voted for pension reform and against it. He has voted for pro-business policies and against them. He has voted for higher taxes and rejected them. His opponent is Carolyn Blodgett of Canton, a Democrat and union steward through her job as a human services caseworker. We're not convinced she would be an independent voice. But Unes hasn't earned another term. No endorsement.

**93rd District:** We've gone back and forth on Rep. Norine Hammond, R-Macomb. After holding out for two years for a truly balanced budget, she caved in July 2017 and voted for the 32 percent income tax hike with no spending reform. That vote harmed Illinois and its taxpayers. She faces Democrat **John Curtis** of Macomb, a vegetable farmer and teacher who ran against her in 2016. This race comes down to taxes and trust. Curtis gets our endorsement, although we disagree with his support for a



graduated income tax. At least he is up-front about his positions. Curtis understands the need to keep businesses and homeowners from fleeing Illinois. As a business owner, he would push for less

government regulation and fewer mandates. Curtis is endorsed.



**94th District:** When the deaths of 14 veterans at the Illinois Veterans Home in Quincy were linked to Legionnaires' disease, Rep. **Randy Frese**, R-Paloma, approached the situation with concern and level-headedness. He defended Gov. Bruce Rauner's response to the outbreak but supported efforts to build a new facility. Frese faces Democrat Richard Cramsey of Clayton. Cramsey says he is committed to leveraging relationships with Democratic officials to bring resources back to the district. But Frese is a fiscal watchdog and the better pick for a region that needs jobs, jobs, jobs. Frese is endorsed.

**95th District:** When unionized state workers protested at Rep. **Avery Bourne's** home during a family cookout and handed out literature to her neighbors, she didn't hide behind the drapes. She confronted them. "I will err on the side of being a fiscal conservative every time, even if it's an issue they might disagree with me on," says Bourne, R-Raymond. Elected in 2014, Bourne is a fiscal hawk in a district that tends to back tax hike-friendly lawmakers. She faces Dillon Clark, Democrat of Litchfield, who is an ally of organized labor. But Bourne's policy positions force more efficiency from state government and voters should send her back. She is endorsed.

**96th District:** We offer no endorsement in the race between incumbent Rep. Sue Scherer, D-Decatur, and Herman Senor, Republican of Springfield, who isn't doing much campaigning.

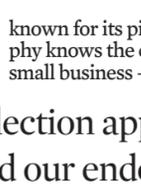
**97th District:** Ask Rep. **Mark Batinick**, R-Plainfield, how much mostaccioli he's eaten this year. Tubs. It was a regular offering at his "dinner in the district" gatherings to meet with constituents. Elected in 2014, Batinick is one of the legislature's leaders on pension reform. He has introduced several bills to address Illinois' pension crisis. One that's now law allows pensioners to buy out of their plans. Batinick faces Mica Freeman, Democrat of Plainfield. She's running on an unspecified platform of "helping families." Batinick offers real solutions. He is endorsed.

**98th District:** Republican candidate **Alyssia Benford** of Bolingbrook is a recent breast cancer survivor, a 25-year certified public accountant who co-owns a firm and a community activist. Benford is running for this southwest suburban seat so she can be a strong voice for responsible spending. Her opponent, Rep. Natalie Manley, D-Joliet, sent out robocalls to voters, voiced by Secretary of State Jesse White, that tie Benford to President Donald Trump. Apparently Manley doesn't have a strong record to stand on so she's trying to tarnish Benford's.



Manley went to Springfield five years ago promising to be fiscally prudent. Instead she has voted for higher taxes, stopgap budgets and a phony budget introduced by House Speaker Michael Madigan that was \$7 billion out of balance. So whom will voters hold accountable for the state's financial mess? Benford, who's running for the first time? Trump? Or Manley? Voters in this suburban district need to wake up. Benford is endorsed.

**99th District:** Retired Illinois State Police Sgt. Marc Bell, Democrat of Springfield, isn't campaigning much for this seat. That makes it easy to endorse the Pancake King, Republican **Mike Murphy** of Springfield, who recently sold his popular Springfield diner known for its pizza-sized hotcakes. Murphy knows the challenges of running a small business — and he appreciates an



employer's financial responsibilities to the families of his workers. The state should be a disciplined steward with taxpayer money, he says. Murphy is endorsed.

**101st District:** We're not sure if, by itself, being a woman qualifies someone for office, but that's the primary theme of Democrat Jennifer McMillin's campaign out of Decatur. Sending more women to Springfield is a fine idea. But she could use a more rounded policy portfolio. We're endorsing Republican **Dan Caulkins** of Decatur, a business owner and Army vet. On recent

budget cuts to universities, he says some schools needed to shrink. On social programs that have seen money dry up, he says government can't do everything for everyone. He is a straight shooter with expertise in higher education and local government, having served on Eastern Illinois University's board of trustees and the Decatur City Council. Caulkins is endorsed.

**104th District:** We're pretty sure only one statehouse candidate this election cycle is depicted on his website wearing chaps. That would be Rep. **Mike Marron**, R-Fithian, a farmer and rodeo competitor. Marron is running a forward-looking campaign in this district east of Champaign-Urbana. The state is poised for a rebirth, he says, but has to start by paying down an unacceptable backlog of bills. Marron faces a strong candidate in Democrat Cynthia Cunningham of St. Joseph,

who started her own consulting company centered on care for senior citizens. But Marron's priorities are better suited for a district that's near the Indiana border and competing for jobs. Marron is endorsed.

**105th District:** Democrat Benjamin Webb is a high school teacher in Normal who recognized the pain the state's budget impasse inflicted on schools. He is running on a traditional Democratic platform of more education funding, support for organized labor and health care for all. But his incumbent opponent has been a longtime advocate for the district and for higher education, while resisting tax hikes. And few House members are as accessible to their constituents. Rep. **Dan Brady**, R-Bloomington, is endorsed.

**107th District:** This seat is open because of the retirement of Rep. John Cavalletto, R-Salem. Republican **Blaine Wilhour** of Beecher City is the best fit. We endorsed him in the primary election because he understands the challenges facing small businesses, especially this state's high workers' compensation insurance costs. Wilhour works in farm construction and understands the challenges of doing business in Illinois. Wilhour is endorsed over Democrat David Seiler of Effingham, a teacher.

**109th District:** We couldn't find much information about Cynthia Given of Olney, the Democrat running for this seat south of Champaign-Urbana. But we know the Republican. We endorsed him in the primary. **Darren Bailey** of Xenia ousted incumbent Rep. David Reis, R-Willow Hill, after Reis voted for, and then against, an income tax hike. The flip-flop cost Reis credibility with voters. Bailey has experience at streamlining budgets: He served on a local school board where money was tight. And he isn't shy; he's come out swinging against Democratic gubernatorial nominee J.B. Pritzker, saying Pritzker's tax-and-spend solutions would drive the state into bankruptcy. Bailey will be one to watch. He is endorsed.

**110th District:** Based on the meager campaign fund of Democrat **Shirley Bell** of Mattoon, who is running for this open seat, we suspect the Democratic Party isn't confident she can win. But she offers voters a vision for the district that we don't



see from her opponent, Republican Chris Miller of Oakland. Bell knows college isn't for everyone; her priorities would be expanding trade schools and certification classes in fields such as plumbing, electrical work and masonry. Bell believes this district's economy can grow good-paying jobs and entice young families to stay. She's also well-versed on other education issues and state spending. Bell is endorsed.

**111th District:** We offer no endorsement in the race between Republican Mike Babcock of Bethalto and Democrat Monica Bristow of Godfrey.

**112th District:** In the past, we've endorsed former Rep. Dwight Kay, R-Glen Carbon, for standing up to the Democrats' chronic overspending and unbalanced budgets. He is running again to reclaim this seat. But the candidate who beat him in 2016, Rep. **Katie Stuart**, D-Edwardsville, has earned another term. She has been a fighter for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, which is growing, while the main Carbondale campus is shrinking. A long-standing budget dispute leaves SIUE constantly scrambling for crumbs. We disagree with her suggestion to split the schools and



create separate governing boards. But money should follow the students, and SIUE is attracting more of them. Stuart is endorsed.

**113th and 114th districts:** We offer no endorsement in the race between long-time Democratic incumbent Jay Hoffman of Swansea and Republican challenger Doug Jameson of Belleville. Same for the contest between Republican Jason Madlock of Centerville and Rep. LaToya Greenwood, D-East St. Louis.

**115th District:** Incumbent Rep. **Terri Bryant**, R-Murphysboro, fended off a March primary challenge centered on Bryant's vote in 2017 to raise the income tax by 32 percent. Bryant was among a group of rogue Republicans who voted with the Democrats on that increase. We didn't endorse her in the March primary. But she won, indicating that GOP voters are willing to support her in spite of that vote. We are too. Bryant represents a district populated by unionized state workers and includes university communities that suffered during the budget

impasse. She walks a difficult line as a Republican in a Democrat-leaning area. She is endorsed over Marsha Griffin of Jonesboro, an elementary school teacher.

**116th District:** Incumbent Rep. **Jerry Costello II**, D-Smithton, isn't always on our list for praise. He doesn't speak up enough against irresponsible spending from his own party leaders. But he is a lonely conservative Democrat in a liberal-leaning caucus. He voted against the 32 percent income tax hike; he represents the rights of his district's gun owners; and he is often a contrarian opinion in the majority party. Costello is endorsed over Republican David Friess of Red Bud.

**117th District:** We offer no endorsement in the race between Republican Rep. Dave Severin of Benton and his Democratic challenger, Jason Woolard of Carbondale.

**118th District:** Massac County State's Attorney **Patrick Windhorst** of Metropolis, a Republican, is attempting to break up a family dynasty. He faces Rep. Natalie Phelps Finnie, D-Elizabethtown, who was appointed to the seat when her cousin, former Rep. Brandon Phelps, stepped down. As we said during the March primary when we also did not endorse her: What is this? Cook County? End the all-in-the-family hand-me-downs. Windhorst is endorsed.

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LYRIC OPERA OF CHICAGO

Soprano Erin Wall makes a fine villain as Elettra in Lyric Opera of Chicago's performance of Mozart's "Idomeneo."

**IN PERFORMANCE** 'Idomeneo' ★★★ 1/2

# Dark and compelling

BY HOWARD REICH

Chicago Tribune

Mozart's "Idomeneo" can be a tough sell for contemporary audiences, its mythological underpinnings, far-fetched turns of plot and leisurely pace testing our ever-shortening attention spans.

But the production that launched Thursday at Lyric Opera of Chicago — the first opening night since the musicians' strike that ended Sunday — proved that "Idomeneo" can appeal to modern-day sensibilities. For though some seats emptied by the time the third (and final) act began, a majority of the audience stayed, for several good reasons: superb singing, astute acting and, above all, one of Mozart's most imposing operatic scores.

Yes, "Idomeneo" requires considerable suspension of disbelief, for its tale of King Idomeneo could make even the most credulous listener balk. After striking a rather unfortunate deal with the god Neptune — in order to save himself from turbulent seas — Idomeneo learns he's required to kill the son he hasn't seen for years. The two don't recognize each other when they meet and take quite a while to realize the predicament they're in. Idomeneo's subsequent attempts to evade his promise to Neptune causes all manner of catastrophe and death. His son, Idamante, heroically slays a vicious monster

along the way, then offers himself up to his father's sword. A love triangle also ensues. And so forth.

What matters most here, however, are not the machinations of a creaky narrative but its underlying emotional currents and Mozart's sometimes magisterial, frequently tender ways of expressing them. Combine the themes of filial love and tragic desperation with Mozart's sublime writing for vocal solo, duet, trio, quartet and chorus, and you have a power far greater than the inherent weaknesses of the story.

So when the prisoner Ilia, sung by soprano Janai Brugger, early on laments the deaths of her family members at the hands of Idomeneo's forces, we are instantly moved by the profound lyricism of Mozart's writing in "Padre, germani, addio!" All the more in Brugger's rendition, the warmth of her tone matched by the ardor of her delivery.

Before long, Idamante — who instantly finds himself as smitten with Ilia as she is with him — pleads that Ilia's sorrows are not his fault in "Non ho colpa." Once again, high-flown melody conquers all, with mezzo-soprano Angela Brower making her Lyric debut as a remarkably intense Idamante (in Mozart's time, a castrato played this part). Brower elegantly finessed the virtuoso vocal lines for which castrati were celebrated, but she also shaped them to compelling

effect. Better still, the romantic charge between Ilia and Idamante was unmistakable from the start, not only because of the way they regarded each other physically but because of the very quality of their instruments, Brugger's rounded, dusky timbre answered by Brower's bright and radiant tone.

Much of the weight of the drama naturally falls on Idomeneo, who's psychologically tortured by his oath to kill the character who turns out to be his son. Tenor Matthew Polenzani created a brooding, deeply troubled Idomeneo, the pathos of his situation expressed by the gloom in his face and more than once by the catch in his throat.

Every opera on this epic scale requires a villain, and this production has a fine one in soprano Erin Wall's Elettra. The narcissistic self-obsession Wall conveyed in "Estinto e Idomeneo" morphed into delicious self-delusion in "Idol mio, se ritroso" and blossomed into full-blown insanity with "Oh smania! oh furie!" and Elettra's culminating "D'Oreste, d'Aiace." Still, the quivering hands were a bit much.

Vocally, the highlights of "Idomeneo" remain the ensemble pieces, which came off extraordinarily well. One admired the deliberate tempo and hushed intimacy that music director Andrew Davis established for the second act trio,

"Pria di partir, oh Dio!" To hear Polenzani, Wall and Brower sustain seemingly endless lyric lines at a relatively hushed dynamic level in this enormous house was to experience one of the most sublime moments of the evening. Another came with the third act quartet, "Andro ramingo e solo," the three aforementioned singers plus Brugger intertwining their phrases while emphasizing music, not pyrotechnics.

The chorus emerges as practically a character unto itself in "Idomeneo," and Lyric's ensemble sounded sumptuous but well within Mozartean style (plaudits to chorus master Michael Black). Yet many of the chorus' gestures — in this re-staging of Jean-Pierre Ponnelle's 1982 production, with David Kneuss making his Lyric debut as revival director — were exaggerated nearly to the point of melodrama, alas.

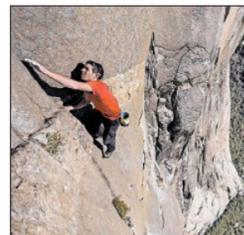
In the end, though, the luster of this cast's singing and the gravity of its characterizations made this an "Idomeneo" that speaks lucidly to our time.

"Idomeneo" runs on select dates through Nov. 2 at the Civic Opera House, 20 N. Wacker Dr.; ticket prices vary; 312-827-5600 or [www.lyricopera.org](http://www.lyricopera.org).

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### MICHAEL PHILLIPS MOVIES

#### "Free Solo"

On June 3, 2017, free climber Alex Honnold scaled the implacable granite face of Yosemite National Park's El Capitan, a 3,200-foot death-defying dare of a climb. Directors Elizabeth Chai Vasarhelyi and Jimmy Chin made a movie about it, and it's a serene yet panic-inducing experience, produced by National Geographic Films and deserving of the largest screen in your vicinity. PG-13, 1:40, documentary



CHERYL MANN PHOTO

Victoria Jaiani and Dylan Gutierrez

### LAUREN WARNECKE DANCE

#### "Swan Lake"

Choreographer Christopher Wheeldon's "Swan Lake" is a divine way to begin a Joffrey season that boasts three full-length story ballets — a testament to the dream team of Artistic Director Ashley Wheater and President Greg Cameron. On opening night, Victoria Jaiani's demure white swan is outdone by her fierce portrayal of Odile. Dylan Gutierrez, playing the role of the Paris Opera Ballet's leading man rehearsing the role of Prince Siegfried, is the perfect partner. How you'll feel about Wheeldon's changed "Swan Lake" depends a lot on your previous association with it, but this is a gorgeous ballet. Through Oct. 28 at the Joffrey Ballet at the Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Ida B. Wells Drive; \$35-\$195 at 312-386-8905 and [www.joffrey.org](http://www.joffrey.org)

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### HOWARD REICH MUSIC

#### Newberry Consort

Singers, dancers and instrumentalists will rekindle street entertainment of Elizabethan England in the opener of the Newberry Consort's season, "Will Kemp Returns! A Jigs Revival." Performances are at 8 p.m. Saturday at the International House, 1414 E. 59th St.; \$40-\$50 (\$5 students). Also 3 p.m. Sunday at Northwestern University's Galvin Recital Hall, 70 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston; \$40-\$50 (\$5 students). For more information, visit [www.newberryconsort.org](http://www.newberryconsort.org).

**IN PERFORMANCE** 'Masque Macabre' ★★★

# Play along with chilling Poe stories

BY CHRIS JONES

Chicago Tribune

Aged out of haunted houses, prefer cocktails to punch, like puzzles and intimate conversation and yet still craving a seasonal scare? "Masque Macabre" is here to serve your lingering date-night needs.

The new Halloween attraction from Strawdog Theatre represents a rare off-Loop foray into the world of sexy, interactive, third-space theater wherein the audience mostly wanders around in a state of narrative confusion suffused with fear, but still feels proud to have been cool enough to have picked so hipster an attraction.

In these days when it's getting tougher and tougher to persuade audiences to sit down, turn off their phones and listen to an actual play in a theater, this nightclub-theater fusion is a growing genre, especially in New York, where shows like "Sleep No More" (which is based on "Macbeth") and "Queen of the Night" (at the Paramount Hotel) do boffo business. Chicago, frankly, has been slow to catch on.

Here's the Strawdog setup: You are at a gallery where a really rich

**When:** Through Oct. 31

**Where:** Strawdog Theatre Company, 1802 W. Berenice Ave., Chicago

**Running time:** 1 hour, 15 minutes

**Tickets:** \$50 at 773-644-1380 or [www.strawdog.org](http://www.strawdog.org)

guy is throwing a glam party. You are one of the guests but not the guests that the rich guy was expecting; those A-listers have run away because of the whiff of scandal. Once the gallery owner and other folks have introduced the occasion, you wander off into a series of discreet rooms, most of which look like art installations.

You'll find a bar in the lobby, and you'll find another bar inside.

The less you know about what happens therein, the better, but you'll be faced with the choice of following certain characters for most of the hour or so you spend inside or staying put in one of the rooms and seeing who shows up. Depending on where you go, you'll see relationships unravel, revenge taken and scandals unspool. The source of the piece is the collected work of Edgar Allan Poe.

Fear not, nobody goes "boo" in



CLARK BENDER PHOTO

Shaina Schrooten and Andrew Bailes in "Masque Macabre."

your face and there are no crude haunted-house tropes. This is more of a parlor game played with well-dressed strangers; think "Eyes Wide Shut" without all the overt sexuality (but still with an R rating).

What impressed me most about "Masque Macabre" was the quality of the design — it's the work of at least nine artists (everything from lights to intimacy), led by Tom Burch. And I was amazed at the transformation of this warehouse space in Chicago's North Center neighborhood.

This is a true ensemble effort from Strawdog: There are four writers (Aly Renee Amidei, Cara Beth Heath and John Henry Roberts) and three directors (Anderson Lawfer, Janet Howe and Eli Newell). The writing ends up playing second fiddle to the concept, and the performances are broad, neither of which is atypical

of shows like this, but the show has some style and flourish.

If "Masque Macabre" is to be an annual event — and why not? — I'd suggest more action happening more quickly, more excitement, heftier mystery and, most crucial of all, more attention paid to the golden rule of interactive, multi-plotted theater, which is to provide the illusion of choice while ensuring that no one misses anything too crucial. The best of these shows carefully structure scenes so that the important stuff gets repeated. This one is tough to grab in any kind of totem.

Most people on the night I was there, though, were not that worried about what they couldn't follow; they were having fun with friends.

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CHRIS KAYDEN PHOTO

Tere O'Connor presents "Long Run" at the Dance Center.

**IN PERFORMANCE** 'Long Run' ★★★ 1/2

## What it means to be present

**BY LAUREN WARNECKE**  
Chicago Tribune

Choreographer Tere O'Connor splits his time between New York and Champaign, where he is a professor in the dance department at the University of Illinois. As the occasional U. of I. alum has migrated north to Chicago, O'Connor's aesthetic has come too, so there's something comfortable and familiar about his latest work, "Long Run," on view at the Dance Center through Saturday.

O'Connor's is a disciplined, formal approach to composition. The barely-there production elements, lighting by Michael O'Connor and pedestrian costuming by Strauss Bourque-Lafrance, work in supporting roles to frame "Long Run's" cast of eight.

Writing for The New York Times in 1987, critic Jack Anderson said the word minimalist is "used to describe choreographers who construct dances out of a few carefully chosen, but intricately developed, steps."

Indeed, O'Connor shares some things with a legendary generation of dance minimalists. But I wouldn't call O'Connor a minimalist; his is an approach that has exquisitely evolved into something else. However, O'Connor adheres to the parameters of modern dance vocabularies long abandoned by choreographers seeking to

**When:** Through 7:30 p.m. Saturday

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

**Running time:** 75 minutes

**Tickets:** \$30 at 312-369-8330 and dance.colum.edu

move further away from anything resembling a codified technique, and for me, that is what makes "Long Run" so satisfying: It's exacting, and so exquisitely performed that it looks easy — blase even.

Rather than ramp up from a more delicate start, "Long Run" puts the pedal to the metal from the get-go. Ever-present is a carnival of atmospheric shifts oscillating between action and reaction, sharpness and softness. As an example of that, the gripping unison dancing present in the opening scenes dissolves into simultaneous solos, followed by each of the dancers walking to the edge of the stage to stare us right in the eyes.

But, as aforementioned, the overall mood of "Long Run" feels mostly task-based and apathetic. The music choices, through deliberate, flip through a wide range of genres like scrolling through radio stations. Any perception of virtuosity happening in the space is tempered, although there's plenty of it if you pay close attention.

And for me, the journey

of "Long Run" is about that: attention. Think about all the times in our lives we're encouraged to "be present," or all the self-help books that tell us to put down our phones.

"Long Run" tests these skills, staying in a particular look or movement pattern for a long time before moving to the next thing. Sections of dancing or gestures O'Connor wants us to remember are repeated a couple of times; two of the men who wave two fingers in the air like pompous orchestra conductors, for example.

Other times I got lost completely, totally distracted by my grocery list or trying to figure out whether I should take the train or the car to the airport for a trip. I don't think that means that "Long Run" is bad; I think it's kind of the point.

Though I was more than ready for "Long Run" to end when it did, I also felt like I could have negotiated this internal struggle for much longer. In some of the most salient moments of a brief evening, the dancers became us, sitting on the ground and leaning back to watch the stage. Two other times, this was it: The dancers just sitting and staring at a blank stage, fully present, or perhaps thinking about their grocery lists too. And that part, well, I could have watched that forever.

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## ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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### Chronic lateness chronically annoys

**Dear Amy:** We have an ongoing problem in our family. I have one daughter-in-law who is chronically late for everything. If we are supposed to be somewhere at 2, that is when she starts getting ready.

Her mother is also always late, so I know it is a learned behavior.

My son has discussed this with her, but nothing has changed. Without being an interfering mother-in-law, I would like to address this with love. Do you have any helpful suggestions for me?

— Prompt In-Law

**Dear Prompt:** In my (very prompt) family, we dealt with one chronically late member by simply starting things on time and tolerating the late family member, who basically seemed to run on a different time zone. When she hosted events, we turned up when she asked us to.

I believe that tolerating this while not letting it interfere too much with your own plans (and happiness) is the way to respond to this — with love. So is simply telling the truth: "Dear, you always seem to be running late. This can be hard on the rest of us. Will you try harder to be prompt for family events?"

Always take separate transportation, and accept that in this regard, she is unreliable.

I find chronic lateness disrespectful, but I also realize that it doesn't seem to be personally directed.

I'm sure readers will weigh in with ideas for how to retrain someone who is always late.

**Dear Amy:** What do you think about a "meal train" that asks for meal delivery to someone who recently underwent a surgery (or had a baby)?

The "someone" in this case is a woman whose child goes to the same after-school activity as my son. I've chatted with her but do not know her well. Her friend set up a meal train for her family during the two weeks she is recovering from surgery. The signup sheet is circulated in our after-school activity group. Each meal is supposed to cover all four family members. She has a husband and two teenage children, and they are well-off.

We live in a big city where one can easily get takeout food and food delivery, so it would not be difficult for them to order their favorite food from favorite places.

I can understand if this woman indicates what she likes to eat/snack on, and friends/social groups bring a box of something for her to consume during her recovery. But a meal for a family of four is way too much to ask in terms of the time and work involved.

I admit that cooking is not my favorite activity, but I don't want to simply ignore the signup sheet. What's your take on this?

— Lost in the Kitchen

**Dear Lost:** When a person is indisposed, grieving, ill or has just had a baby, others often ask, "How can I help?" Cooking and delivering dinner for a family is one great way to help. Even if the family has the means and wherewithal to have food delivered, cooking and delivering a dinner

from your own kitchen is a kindness.

If you want to contribute without cooking, you might send a basket of teas or coffees and a package of sweets to go with them. However, you should not feel pressured to do this. You don't have to board this particular "train," but you shouldn't feel put upon by others' efforts.

**Dear Amy:** "Widowed" asked how long she should continue to wear her wedding band — or if she should move it to her right hand — after recently losing her husband of 41 years. Your answer, telling her to take her time (because removing the ring after 41 years might make her feel lost) was perfect.

After my partner died and was cremated last December, the hospital gave me his wedding band and a leather bracelet he had worn. I put those in a little dish alongside his ashes in an urn in my bedroom.

I continued to wear my ring, and after about seven months, I looked at his ring by itself in that dish and thought it looked lonely. I took off my band that day and placed it alongside his. Now when I pass by the urn and see our rings together, it gives me a measure of comfort.

She will know when it feels right.  
— Been There

**Dear Been There:** Yours is a sweet tribute to lasting love. My condolences.

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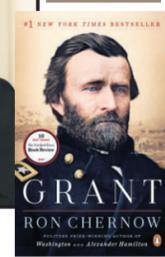
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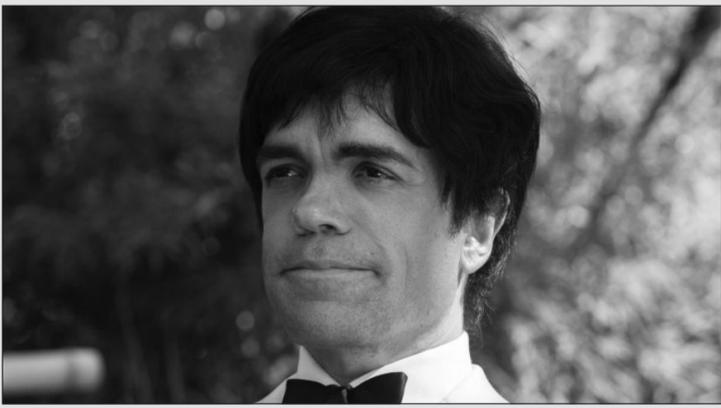


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# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Peter Dinklage

**"My Dinner With Hervé"** (7 p.m., 1:05 a.m., HBO): Emmy winner Peter Dinklage stars in writer-director Sacha Gervasi's new 2018 TV movie as "Fantasy Island" actor Herve Villechaize, who formed an unlikely friendship with struggling journalist Danny Tate (Jamie Dornan) during a wild night in Los Angeles. Their encounter would carry life-changing consequences for both.

**"Monsters University"** (6 p.m., Disney): Disney-Pixar's 2013 prequel to the animated hit "Monsters, Inc." revisits the amusing teamwork of Billy Crystal and John Goodman, cast again as the voices of Mike and Sulley, the creatures who meet at the title college. When their rivalry gets them booted out of school, they set out to make their way in the world together. Helen Mirren is a fine addition to a voice cast that also includes Steve Buscemi and Alfred Molina.

**"Killer High"** (7 p.m., Syfy): Several Canadian actors who have become familiar faces on U.S. TV share the spotlight in this new horror comedy, which stars Kacey Rohl ("The Magicians") as Sabrina Swanson, a tightly wound perfectionist who is obsessively determined to throw a flawless 10-year high school reunion. Although she's got the basics covered, like who has gluten allergies, she fails to allow for the unexpected — like the school's mascot turning into a bloodthirsty warthog.

**"Hocus Pocus 25th Anniversary Halloween Bash"** (7:15 p.m., FREE): The iconic Hollywood Forever Cemetery is the setting for this 90-minute special celebrating a 1993 comedy — starring Bette Midler, Kathy Najimy and Sarah Jessica Parker as a trio of Salem witches — that was deemed a disappointment upon its release, yet has become a cult classic since then. The program includes a costume contest judged by Sharon and Kelly Osbourne.

**"Pit Bulls and Parolees"** (8 p.m., 11 p.m., 4 a.m., ANIM): In a new episode called "Under Earl's Wing," Earl forms a connection with a young employee at Villalobos Rescue Center and decides to try mentoring the youth on ways to stay out of trouble. Tia, meanwhile, takes in a dog that is barely alive after a vicious attack. Another pooch may get a lucky break, as a family from Chicago comes to the facility looking for their first dog.

**"Wolves and Warriors"** (9:01 p.m., 1 a.m., ANIM): In the season finale "Protect the Pack," Lorin and Matt hit the road to continue their pursuit of the FurEver Wild wolves in Oklahoma. LARC dispatches a rescue convoy to bring them home to safety after learning that 26 of the wolves were covertly shipped to a Big Cat Zoo elsewhere in the state. Oak announces some big life changes that almost definitely will have major repercussions for the entire rescue operation.

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| BROADCAST          | <b>CBS</b> 2   | Michael Jackson's Halloween © HD                                     |  | 48 Hours (N) © HD                           |   | 48 Hours (N) © HD                        |                        | News (N) ▶             |
|                    | <b>NBC</b> 5   | Dateline NBC © HD  |  |   |   | Saturday Night Live (N) © HD             |                        | NBC 5 News at 10pm (N) |
|                    | <b>ABC</b> 7   |  | † (6:37) College Football: Ohio State at Purdue. (N) (Live) © HD     |   |   |  |                        | Eyewitness News (N) ▶  |
|                    | <b>WGN</b> 9   |  | † (6) NHL Hockey: Chicago Blackhawks at Columbus Blue Jackets. (N) © | Blackhawks Extra (N) ©                      |   | WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) © HD |                        | Man of the People      |
|                    | <b>Antenna</b> 9.2                                   | Morning  | McHale   | Knows Best                                  | Jack Benny                                      | Burns/Allen                              | Jeannie                | Bewitched              |
|                    | <b>This TV</b> 9.3                                   | The Saint ©  |  | The Saint ©                                 |   | The Saint ©                              |                        | The Saint ▶            |
|                    | <b>PBS</b> 11  |  | 800 Words (N) ©  |   | Father Brown: "The Theatre of the Invisible." © |  | Death in Paradise ©    | Jamestown (N) © ▶      |
|                    | <b>The U</b> 26.1                                    | King of Hill   | King of Hill   | Family Guy                                  | Family Guy                                      | Amer. Dad                                | Amer. Dad              | Amer. Dad              |
|                    | <b>MeTV</b> 26.3                                     | Svengoolie: "Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein."                 |  |   |   | Lost in Space ©                          |                        | B. Rogers ▶            |
|                    | <b>H&amp;I</b> 26.4                                  | Hunter: "The Contract."  | Hunter   |   |   | Hunter: "Bad Companions."                |                        | Hill Street ▶          |
| <b>Bounce</b> 26.5 | † (6) Liberty Stands Still ★★                        | Escape Plan (R,'13) ★★   | Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Schwarzenegger.                           |   |   |  |                        |                        |
| <b>FOX</b> 32      |  | † (6:30) College Football: Oregon at Washington State. (N) (Live) HD |  |   |   |  | Fox 32 News ▶          |                        |
| <b>Ion</b> 38      | Law & Order: SVU                                     |  | Law & Order: SVU   |   | Law & Order: SVU                                |  | Law-SVU ▶              |                        |
| <b>TeleM</b> 44    | † Rise of Planet of Apes                             |  | Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit  |   | (PG-13,'14) ★★ ©                                |  | Noticiero              |                        |
| <b>CW</b> 50       | All American: "Pilot." ©                             |  | All American © HD  |   | Dateline: "The Reckoning."                      |  | Dateline ▶             |                        |
| <b>MeTV</b> 50     | † (6:30) Spare Parts (PG-13,'15) ★★                  | George Lopez ©   |  |   | Cantinflas (PG,'14) Óscar Jaenada. ©            |  |                        |                        |
| <b>WJYS</b> 62     | Paid Prog.   | Moses  | Bishop   | Paid Prog.                                  |   |  |                        |                        |
| <b>Univ</b> 66     | † (6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live) |  |  |   | Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)     |  |                        |                        |
| CABLE              | <b>AE</b>  | Live PD: Rewind (N) ©  |  | Live PD: "Live PD -- 10.20.18." (N) © ▶     |   |  |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>AMC</b>   | Christine (R,'83) ★★   | Keith Gordon, John Stockwell. ©                                      |   |   | (9:05) 1408 (PG-13,'07) ★★ © ▶           |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>ANIM</b>  | My Cat From Hell (N) ©   |  | Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)                  |   | Wolves and Warriors (Season Finale) (N)  |                        | Pit Bulls ▶            |
|                    | <b>BBCA</b>  | Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior (R,'81) ★★                               | ★★★★ ©   |   |   | Doctor Who ©                             |                        | Mad Mx 2 ▶             |
|                    | <b>BET</b>   | Where's the Money (R,'17)  | Andrew Bachelor.   |   |   | (9:10) Next Friday (R,'00) ★★            |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>BIGTEN</b>  | Women's College Volleyball (N)                                       |  |   |   | Big Ten                                  | Postgame               | Drive (N) ▶            |
|                    | <b>BRAVO</b>   | † Bride Wars   | Madea's Family Reunion (PG-13,'06) ★★                                | Tyler Perry. ©                              |   |  |                        | Madea ▶                |
|                    | <b>CLTV</b>  | News at 7  | News (N)   | News at 8                                   | News (N)  | Chic.Best                                | Weekend                | News (N)               |
|                    | <b>CNBC</b>  | Undercover   |  | Undercover                                  |   | Undercover Boss ©                        |                        | Boss ▶                 |
|                    | <b>CNN</b>   | CNN Newsroom (N)   |  | Anthony Bourdain Parts                      |   | Anthony Bourdain Parts                   |                        | Anthony ▶              |
|                    | <b>COM</b>   | † (5:40) Step Brothers ★★  |  | The Watch (R,'12) ★                         | Ben Stiller, Vince Vaughn. ©                    |  |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>DISC</b>  | Outlaws (N)  |  | Outlaws (N)                                 |   | Street Outlaws: Memphis                  |                        | Outlaws ▶              |
|                    | <b>DISN</b>  | † (6) Monsters University  | (7:50) Monsters, Inc. (G,'01) ★★                                     | ★★★★ ©                                      |   | Raven                                    |                        | Raven                  |
|                    | <b>E!</b>  | † (6:30) Coyote Ugly (PG-13,'00) ★ ©                                 |  | Coyote Ugly (PG-13,'00) ★                   | Piper Perabo. ©                                 |  |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>ESPN</b>  | † (6) College Football: Mississippi State at LSU. (N)                |  |   |   | NBA (N)                                  | NBA Basketball (N) ▶   |                        |
|                    | <b>ESPN2</b>   | † College Football: Central Florida at East Carolina. (N)            |  |   |   | Scores (N)                               | College Football (N) ▶ |                        |
|                    | <b>FNC</b>   | Watters' World (N) ©   |  | Justice With Jeanine (N)                    |   | Greg Gutfeld (N)                         |                        | Watters ▶              |
|                    | <b>FOOD</b>  | Halloween Baking   |  | Halloween Baking                            |   | Halloween Baking                         |                        | Halloween ▶            |
|                    | <b>FREE</b>  | Hocus Pocus 25th Anniversary Halloween Bash (N)                      |  |   |   | (9:15) Hocus Pocus (PG,'93) ★★ © ▶       |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>FX</b>  | † Mechanic: Resurrection   |  | Independence Day: Resurgence (PG-13,'16) ★★ | Liam Hemsworth.                                 |  |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>HALL</b>  | Love, of Course (NR,'18)   | Cameron Mathison, Kelly Rutherford. ©                                |   |   |  |                        | Love at ▶              |
|                    | <b>HGTV</b>  | Love It or List It ©   |  | Love It or List It ©                        |   | Beachfront Renovation (N)                |                        | Restored ▶             |
|                    | <b>HISTV</b>   | Pawn Stars: Pumped Up: "High Priced Wheels." (N) ©                   |  |   |   |  |                        | Pawn ▶                 |
|                    | <b>HLN</b>   | Forensic   | Forensic   | Forensic                                    | Forensic  | Forensic                                 | Forensic               | Forensic               |
|                    | <b>IFC</b>   | Wedding Crashers (R,'05) ★★  | Owen Wilson, Vince Vaughn. ©   |   |   | Wedding Crashers ★★                      |                        | Wedding Crashers ▶     |
|                    | <b>LIFE</b>  | Killer Under the Bed (NR,'18)  | Kristy Swanson. ©  |   |   | (9:03) Terror in the Woods (NR,'18) ▶    |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>MSNBC</b>   | All In With Chris Hayes  |  | Rachel Maddow Show                          |   | The Last Word                            |                        | 11th Hour ▶            |
|                    | <b>MTV</b>   | † (6:50) Friday (R,'95) ★★   | Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. ©  |   |   | (8:55) Friday After Next (R,'02) ★▶      |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>NBCSCH</b>  | NBA Basketball: Detroit Pistons at Chicago Bulls. (N) (Live)         |  |   |   | (9:03) Chicago Bulls (N)                 |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>NICK</b>  | Henry (N)  | Knight (N)   | SpongeBob                                   | SpongeBob                                       | Friends ©                                | Friends ©              | Friends ▶              |
| <b>OVATION</b>     | † (6) A League of Their Own (PG,'92) ★★              | Tom Hanks.   |  |   | Versailles (N) ©                                |  | Versailles             |                        |
| <b>OWN</b>         | Black Love ©   |  | Black Love ©   |   | Black Love (N)                                  |  | Black Love             |                        |
| <b>OXY</b>         | Kemper on Kemper: Inside The Mind (N)                |  |  |   | Kemper on Kemper: Inside The Mind               |  |                        |                        |
| <b>PARMT</b>       | † (6) Freddy vs. Jason ★★                            |  | A Nightmare on Elm Street  |   | (R,'84) ★★ John Saxon.                          |  | Night-2 ▶              |                        |
| <b>SYFY</b>        | Killer High (NR,'18)                                 | Kacey Rohl. ©  |  |   | Lights Out (PG-13,'16) ★★ © ▶                   |  |                        |                        |
| <b>TBS</b>         | † Baseball (N) MLB (N)                               |  | To be announced ▶  |   |   |  |                        |                        |
| <b>TCM</b>         | Patterns (NR,'56) ★★                                 | Van Heflin.  |  |   | (8:45) Sweet Bird of Youth (NR,'62) ★★ © ▶      |  |                        |                        |
| <b>TLC</b>         | American Gypsy Wedding                               |  | American Gypsy Wedding   |   | American Gypsy Wedding                          |  | Gypsy ▶                |                        |
| <b>TLN</b>         | † Convocation/Exalted                                |  | Pacific Garden Mission   |   | In Grace  |  | Humanitarian           |                        |
| <b>TNT</b>         | Suicide Squad (PG-13,'16) ★★                         | Will Smith, Jared Leto. ©  |  |   | Man of Steel ('13) ★★ ▶                         |  |                        |                        |
| <b>TOON</b>        | Regular  | Regular  | Rick, Morty  | Rick, Morty                                 | My Hero   |  | Dragon Ball            |                        |
| <b>TRAV</b>        | Ghost Adventures ©                                   |  | Ghost Adventures (N) ©   |   | Ghost Adventures ©                              |  | Ghost ▶                |                        |
| <b>TVL</b>         | Two Men  | Two Men  | Two Men  | Two Men                                     | Two Men   | Two Men                                  | King                   |                        |
| <b>USA</b>         | NCIS ©   |  | NCIS: "Loose Cannons."   |   | NCIS: "Dead Letter."                            |  | NCIS ▶                 |                        |
| <b>VH1</b>         | † (6:30) Hall Pass (R,'11) ★★                        | Owen Wilson. ©   |  |   | Forrest Gump (PG-13,'94) ★★                     |  | Forrest ▶              |                        |
| <b>WE</b>          | Criminal Minds ©                                     |  | Criminal Minds ©   |   | Criminal Minds ©                                |  | Criminal ▶             |                        |
| <b>WGN America</b> | Blue Bloods ©  |  | Blue Bloods: "New Rules."  |   | Blue Bloods ©                                   |  | Blue Blood ▶           |                        |
| PREMIUM            | <b>HBO</b>   | My Dinner With Hervé (NR,'18)  | Peter Dinklage.  |   | Camping ©                                       |  | (9:20) The Deuce ©     |                        |
|                    | <b>HBO2</b>  | The Layover (R,'17)  | Alexandra Daddario.  |   | Fist Fight (R,'17) ★★                           | Charlie Day.                             | The Shop ▶             |                        |
|                    | <b>MAX</b>   | X2 (PG-13,'03) ★★  | Patrick Stewart. ©   |   |   | (9:15) Logan (R,'17) ★★                  | ★★★★ © ▶               |                        |
|                    | <b>SHO</b>   | Shameless ©  |  | Inglourious Basterds (R,'09) ★★             | Brad Pitt, Mélanie Laurent. © ▶                 |  |                        |                        |
|                    | <b>STARZ</b>   | The Wedding Planner (PG-13,'01) ★★                                   | Jennifer Lopez.  |   |   | (8:46) America to Me                     | Warriors ▶             |                        |
| <b>STZNC</b>       | † 27 Dresses   | (7:25) Underworld: Rise of the Lycans                                |  |   | Black Sails: "II." ©                            |  | They Live ▶            |                        |

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**Horoscopes**



**Today's birthday** (Oct. 20): Generate rising income this year. Steady domestic attention pays fine dividends. Reap unexpected family benefits. Winter fun at home leads to a new team season. Summer brings rising career status and influence before a domestic project changes directions. Nurture the ones you love.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 5. Ponder the possibilities. A dream is within reach. You can see steps to take. Take notes, and schedule actions. Get specific in your planning.  
**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Set team goals high. Work out who will do what. Lead by example. Someone you care about is paying attention. Collaborate in a meaningful conversation.  
**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 7. Pushing beyond your comfort zone may be required for a career leap. A rise in status is available. Monitor your own scorecard. Keep improving your performance.

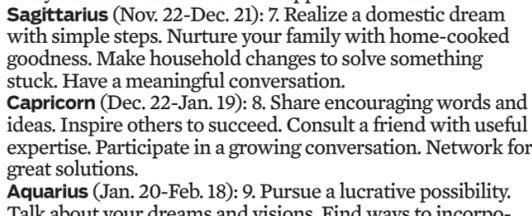
**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. Follow a dream. You can figure out how to pay for it. Travels, studies and explorations reveal fascinating encounters. Discover a secret system.  
**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Share an interesting suggestion with your partner. Talk about future dreams and visions. Listen for ways to support each other. Contribute to shared accounts.  
**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Together, your opportunities widen. Energize your collaboration and partnership. Share your thoughts and dreams. Rely on someone you trust. Make promises and agreements.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Provide excellent service. Keep practicing for a dream. Balance physical action with refreshing rest and foods. Indulge a fantasy in a lovely moment.  
**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Share your heart with the ones you love. Have fun together. Talk about dreams, visions, crazy fantasies and wild ideas. Support each other.  
**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Realize a domestic dream with simple steps. Nurture your family with home-cooked goodness. Make household changes to solve something stuck. Have a meaningful conversation.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Share encouraging words and ideas. Inspire others to succeed. Consult a friend with useful expertise. Participate in a growing conversation. Network for great solutions.  
**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Pursue a lucrative possibility. Talk about your dreams and visions. Find ways to incorporate your ideas into profitable solutions.  
**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Write down a personal dream. Accept divine inspiration or spiritual insight. Put your talent to work to develop the idea you've been pondering.

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**Bridge**

Both vulnerable, South deals

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|--------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b>North</b> | ♠ K J 10 4  | ♥ 8           | ♦ K Q J        | ♣ K 9 5 4 2  |
| <b>West</b>  | ♠ Q 9 8 6 3 | ♥ 5 2         | ♦ 7            | ♣ Q 10 7 6 3 |
| <b>East</b>  | ♠ 7 2       | ♥ K 10 6 4    | ♦ 10 6 5 4 3 2 | ♣ 8          |
| <b>South</b> | ♠ A 5       | ♥ A Q J 9 7 3 | ♦ A 9 8        | ♣ A J        |

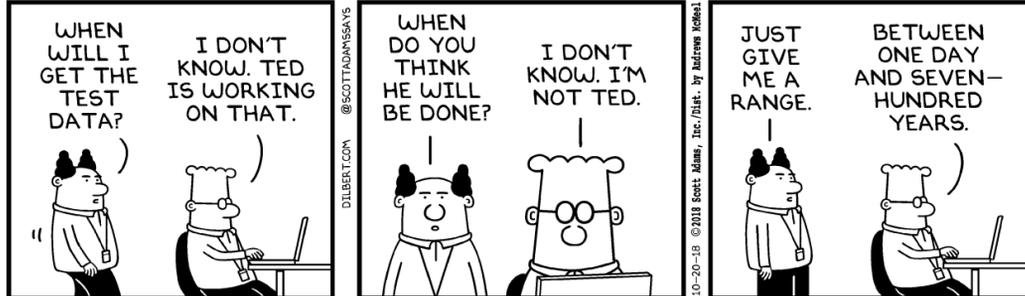
Today's deal features British expert Colin Simpson. He was South, playing against a couple of up-and-coming juniors. West had a difficult choice of leads. Only an unlikely diamond would give nothing away and he can't be faulted for his choice of a club. Simpson won in hand with the jack and crossed to dummy with a diamond. A heart to the queen and the ace of hearts saw a high-low from both opponents. This was the standard signal to show an even number of cards in the suit, if they were telling the truth. Simpson looked at their angelic young faces and decided that a third round of hearts would be too dangerous. Simpson cashed the ace of clubs, then played the ace of spades and a spade to dummy's 10. He then played a diamond to his ace and a diamond back to dummy's queen, leaving this position:

|              |        |           |        |        |
|--------------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|
| <b>North</b> | ♠ K J  | ♥ Void    | ♦ Void | ♣ K 9  |
| <b>West</b>  | ♠ Q 9  | ♥ Void    | ♦ Void | ♣ Q 10 |
| <b>East</b>  | ♠ Void | ♥ K 10    | ♦ 10 6 | ♣ Void |
| <b>South</b> | ♠ Void | ♥ J 9 7 3 | ♦ Void | ♣ Void |

Having a perfect count on the hand, Simpson cashed dummy's king of clubs and put West on play with the queen of clubs for a spade lead away from the queen. Well played!

— Bob Jones  
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**Dilbert** By Scott Adams



**Baby Blues** By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



**Zits** By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



**Mr. Boffo** By Joe Martin



**Frazz** By Jef Mallett



**Classic Peanuts** By Charles Schulz



**Pickles** By Brian Crane (Pickles is on vacation this week. Please enjoy this strip from 2005.)



**Dick Tracy** By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



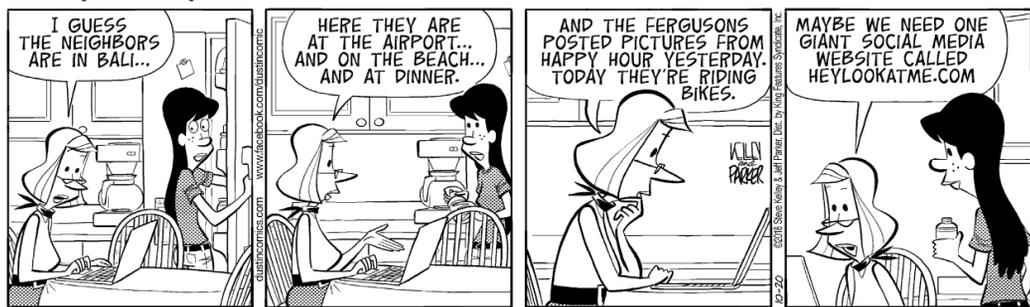
**Animal Crackers** By Mike Osburn



**Prickly City** By Scott Stantis



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



WuMo By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey



Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers

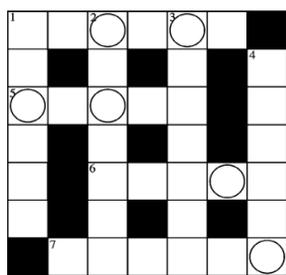


Trivia Bits

Which of these was developed in France in 1869 as a low-cost food item for military personnel?  
 A) Instant cocoa  
 B) Margarine  
 C) Pretzels  
 D) White chocolate

Friday's answer: Squirt and Ting are grapefruit-flavored sodas.

Jumble Crossword



- CLUE ACROSS**
- Stick
  - France neighbor
  - Lift
  - Irish accent
- CLUE DOWN**
- Response
  - Locklear
  - and raving
  - Disconcert

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.

**TRIPLE BONUS**  
 The circled letters can be unscrambled to form three different BONUS answers.

CLUE: Skin eruptions  
 CLUE: Wall Street buys  
 CLUE: Barber's need

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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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**CTDHI**  
**XIEPER**  
**LICCIN**

Answer here  
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Friday's answers  
 Jumbles: BRISK BOSSY OUTBID ACQUIT  
 Answer: When he taught students about the brightest star in the night sky, he was — "SIRIUS" ABOUT IT

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Crossword

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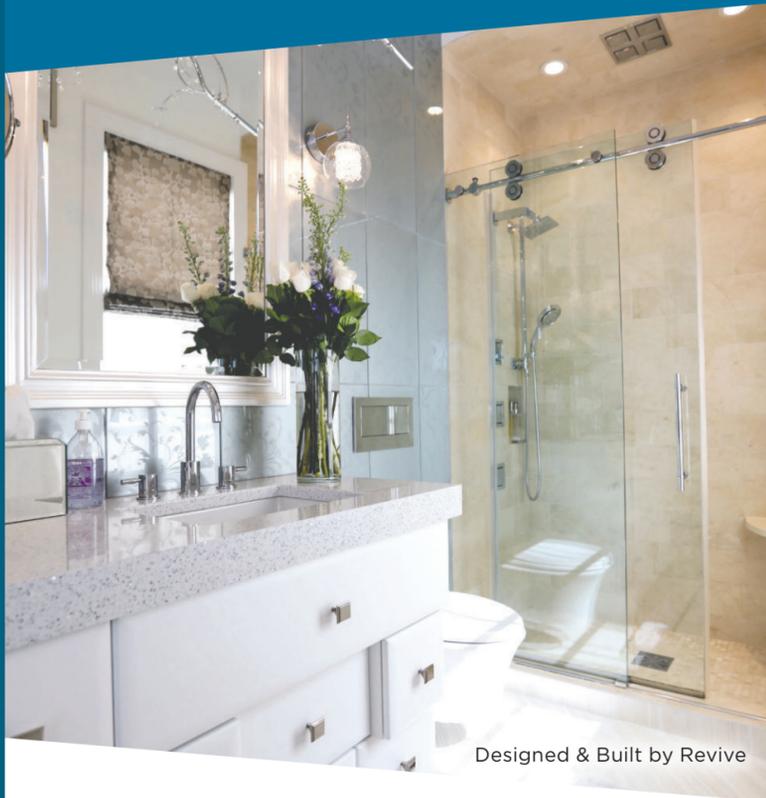
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  - In a happy place
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- Down**
- "Seriously?"
  - Hard-to-find items, to collectors
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  - Strong reaction
  - "No more!"
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  - Proverbial team feature?
  - Where Zeno taught
  - Experimental vehicle
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Khalil Mack (52), between plays against the Dolphins last weekend, is listed as questionable against the Patriots but seems likely to play.

**BEARS**

## Mack still iffy

Officially questionable for Sunday with sprained ankle but seems likely to play

BY DAN WIEDERER  
Chicago Tribune

**GAME 6**  
Patriots at Bears  
Noon Sunday, CBS-2

**MORE COVERAGE**  
Since Super Bowl XX, the Bears have had very little success against the Patriots, losing seven of eight. **Page 2**

Mack wasn't interested in offering his own personal forecast for Sunday.

"I ain't answering questions like that," he said.

Asked how he initially hurt his ankle in last weekend's overtime loss to the Dolphins, Mack shrugged.

"It's football," he said.

Mack was reminded he never has missed a game during his five NFL seasons, a streak of 69. Asked how close he ever came to missing a game during his time with the Raiders, Mack shrugged again.

"Man," he said, "I ain't even talking about that either."

At this point, with Mack mak-

ing it through Friday's practice without aggravating the ankle injury, it would be a surprise if he wasn't in uniform and active Sunday. But the official word on his status won't come until 90 minutes before kickoff.

Coach Matt Nagy said he will keep tabs on where Mack is at mentally and physically as the Bears go through their paces Saturday in Lake Forest and again Sunday morning when the team

Turn to Bears, Page 2



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kris Dunn, driving to the hoop in a preseason game, might return Saturday from paternity leave.

**BULLS**

## If Dunn's not back, lineup may change

Hoiberg still debating options at point guard

BY K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

The best way for Fred Hoiberg to solve his noncommittal stance on the starting lineup for the Bulls' home opener Saturday night against the Pistons is for Kris Dunn to return from paternity leave.

But given that it's Dunn's first child and the Bulls are rightfully giving the starting point guard as much time as he needs, that won't be known until Saturday. In a similar situation last season, Lauri Markkanen missed three games, although he would have missed only two if a commercial flight wouldn't have been canceled.

Regardless, the fact Hoiberg on Friday wouldn't commit to starting Cameron Payne again if Dunn misses a second straight game underscores why concerns over point-guard depth were a pre-season theme. It speaks not only to Dunn's value but also a comfort level Hoiberg has with unheralded Ryan Arcidiacono.

Heck, newly signed Tyler Ulis could be in play for all the uncertainty surrounding the position.

Payne didn't play the final 18 minutes of Thursday's season-opening loss to the 76ers. Playing with a double-digit deficit, Arcidiacono posted eight points, eight assists and zero turnovers in 28 minutes, sinking two 3-pointers.

Payne missed all four shots and

Turn to Bulls, Page 3

**UP NEXT**  
Pistons at Bulls  
7 p.m. Saturday,  
NBCSCH



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**NLCS GAME 6**  
BREWERS 7, DODGERS 2

## Brewers force Game 7

Mike Moustakas of the Brewers celebrates after his first-inning RBI double against the Dodgers on Friday at Miller Park. Game 7 will be at 7:09 p.m. Saturday. **Page 4**

**BLACKHAWKS**

## Anisimov to supplant Fortin

Vet to center 2nd line in place of speedy but ineffective rookie

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD  
Chicago Tribune

**UP NEXT**  
Blackhawks at Blue Jackets  
6 p.m. Saturday, WGN-9

Artem Anisimov, who has been centering the third line, will be centering the second line, pushing Schmalz over to wing.

When the Hawks called up Fortin last week just three games into the season, it wasn't because he had been a scoring whiz at Rockford. He had no goals in two

games with the IceHogs this season and only four in 53 games last season. He has no points in three games with the Hawks.

One game after Fortin was called up, coach Joel Quenneville wanted to see how his speed would translate with Kane and Schmalz — in part because of Fortin's speed but also because he wasn't happy with Brandon Saad's play.

Fortin has displayed a madden-

Turn to Blackhawks, Page 6



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Alexandre Fortin has shown an inability to convert good scoring chances, including this one Thursday night against Coyotes goalie Antti Raanta.

## NFL

## WEEK 7 PICKS

## It's Brees' arm vs. Ravens' 'D' in top pairing

BY RICH CAMPBELL AND DAN WIEDERER  
Chicago Tribune

Tribune reporters Rich Campbell and Dan Wiederer are picking against the spread and each other this season. Campbell ended up even last week, which was a great improvement. But Wiederer still padded his lead.

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

**Season scoreboard:** Wiederer 60, Campbell minus-40

## Game of the week

*Saints (plus 2½) at Ravens*

**Campbell (3-2-1):** Saints. Cool matchup here between the NFL's top-ranked offense and top-ranked defense. That should pull me toward the home side. But Drew Brees is having an MVP season, and the Saints have scored at least 33 points in each of their last three games. The Ravens won't pressure him enough.

**Dan Wiederer (2-3-1):** Ravens. The rust from a week off. The challenges of playing on the road. The difficulty of going up against a Ravens defense that has allowed only 77 points in six games, fewest in the NFL. It's all enough to put a temporary slowdown on the Drew Brees Lovefest of 2018.

## Lock of the week

**Campbell (1-5):** Falcons (minus 4) vs. Giants. When we started this, I had a strong feeling the lock records would look like they do, especially compared with the "Stay away" category. Sheesh. The Giants will rebound from their embarrassing showing against the Eagles two Thursdays ago, but the Falcons have scored at least 31 points in four of their last five games.

**Wiederer (2-4):** Panthers (plus 5) at Eagles. The Eagles are well-rested after playing on Thursday night in Week 6. And they have more confidence after drubbing the Giants 34-13. Still, laying more than four against a solid Panthers team is just too much. Sign me up for the Riverboat Ron cruise in the NFC's most intriguing game.

## Upset of the week

**Campbell (3-3):** Dolphins (+140) vs. Lions. Maybe it's recency bias. Maybe Brock Osweiler only works magic against the Bears. But Adam Gase's game plan last week to silence the Bears pass rush worked to perfection. A well-coached home team getting points from a Lions team that's 0-2 on the road. I'll take it.

**Wiederer (3-3):** Browns (+165) at Buccaneers. The Browns defense is much better than it showed in last week's 38-14 loss to the Chargers. And I've made it abundantly clear how I feel about Baker Mayfield. Against a Bucs defense that ranks 31st against the pass, Mayfield should be at his high-energy best.

## Just for fun

**Campbell (2-3-1):** Bengals (plus 6) vs. Chiefs. It seems like we pick the Chiefs game each week, so why stop now? I mean, we have the answer key, don't we? The Chiefs are 6-0 against the spread. They're at home. But I'm going to ignore Andy Dalton's road interception percentage of 5.2 and go with the Bengals, who have scored at least 34 in two of their three road games.

**Wiederer (4-1-1):** Titans (plus 7) vs. Chargers in London. These Wembley Stadium games are always a bit tough to figure. And the Titans are coming off a brutal 21-0 loss to the Ravens while the Chargers are one of the AFC's most pleasant surprises. Still, this feels like bounce-back city for Mike Vrabel's squad across the pond.

## Stay away

**Campbell (4-2):** Jets (plus 3½) vs. Vikings. A close game between the mighty Vikings and the lowly Jets? This is fishy. The Jets secondary has injury problems, but 78 percent of the public is backing them. Maybe it's because the Jets have averaged 38 points in the last two games, both wins. I don't like this one bit.

**Wiederer (5-1):** Giants (plus 4) at Falcons. If I'm 2-4 on my locks and 5-1 on my "Stay away" picks, something has gone off track, no? Either way, it's a good week to hop on the Saquon Barkley train. The obvious front-runner for Offensive Rookie of the Year keeps things chugging along on a fast track in Atlanta.

## Close to home

*Patriots (minus 3) at Bears*

**Campbell (2-3):** Patriots. I was all set to pick the Bears to win straight up until receiver Allen Robinson aggravated a groin injury Wednesday and sat out practice Thursday. I'm not all that fazed by Khalil Mack's sprained ankle because Tom Brady consistently gets the ball out quickly anyway. The Bears will move the ball and score, but I'm settling on a Patriots offense that has restarted its engine with Julian Edelman back in the slot.

**Wiederer (3-2):** Bears. If I could get the extra half-point — being offered in some places — it's a big deal. I'm still picking a Patriots win, but this one should be close to the end. The Bears defense needs at least two-game changing plays, and the offense can't afford to squander scoring opportunities the way it did three times last weekend in Miami.

## Close to home, total

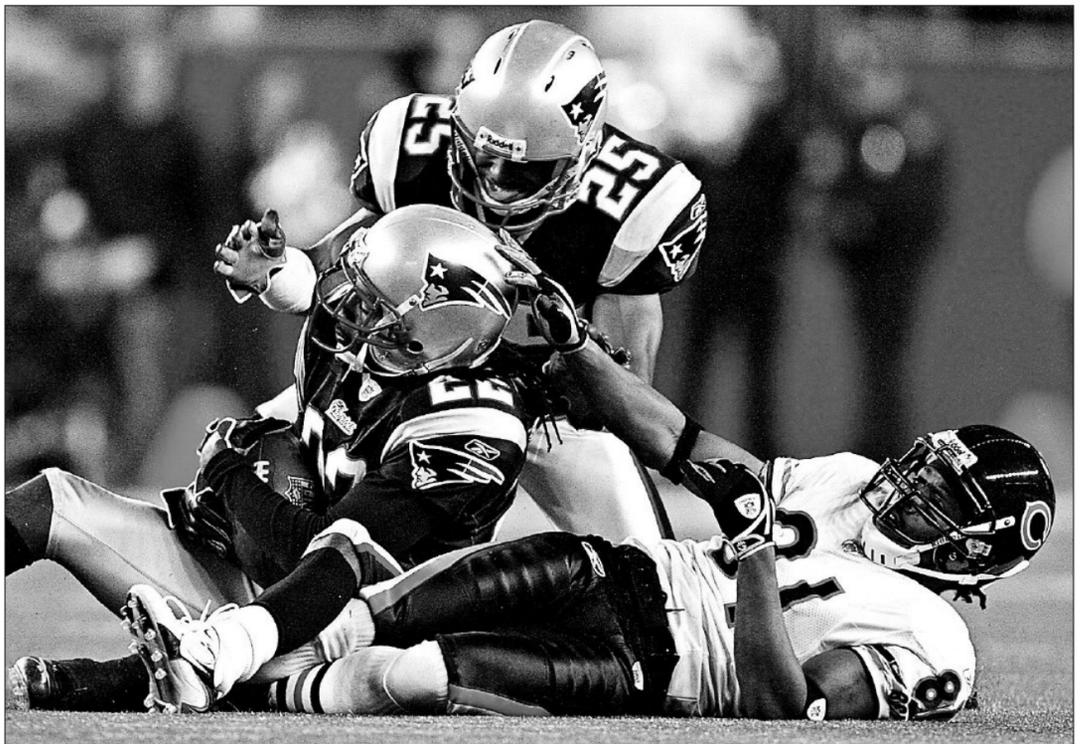
*Bears-Patriots o/u 49*

**Campbell (2-3):** Over. With Mack and cornerback Prince Amukamara (hamstring) at less than full strength, the Bears defense will need its depth to cover and tackle well. I think both teams will score in an exciting, back-and-forth game fairly similar to last week's second-half track meet against the Dolphins.

**Wiederer (3-2):** Over. Take the sticker off the helmet and there's nothing special about the Patriots defense, which just gave up 40 points to the Chiefs. If Mitch Trubisky and the Bears offense can find their footing early, this could become a highly entertaining shootout by Lake Michigan.

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Asante Samuel intercepts a pass in front of Bears receiver Rashied Davis, sealing the Patriots' 17-13 victory in 2006.

## BEARS

## A 1-sided rivalry

Besides Super Bowl, series tilts decidedly in favor of Patriots

BY DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

At some point Sunday, you can bet the CBS production team will cut to a clip from Jan. 26, 1986. You probably will see William "The Refrigerator" Perry spilling into the end zone and Jim McMahon firing deep to Willie Gault. There will be clips of the Bears defense mauling Patriots quarterbacks Tony Eason and Steve Grogan. Maybe even a highlight of Reggie Phillips returning an interception 28 yards for a touchdown. Certainly, the brief montage will include Mike Ditka and Buddy Ryan being carried off the field at the Louisiana Superdome.

Bears 46, Patriots 10.

Super Bowl XX champions.

In 99 seasons, this is the franchise's pinnacle, the greatest day and most exhilarating triumph of a dominant season full of great days and exhilarating victories. But it's also the Bears' only Super Bowl championship. And you basically have to trace back nearly 33 years to find even a glimpse of Bears success against the Patriots.

Since that landmark triumph? The Bears have played the Patriots in eight games. They have lost seven.

Care to recall the last Bears' victory over the Patriots? Just shout out a year.

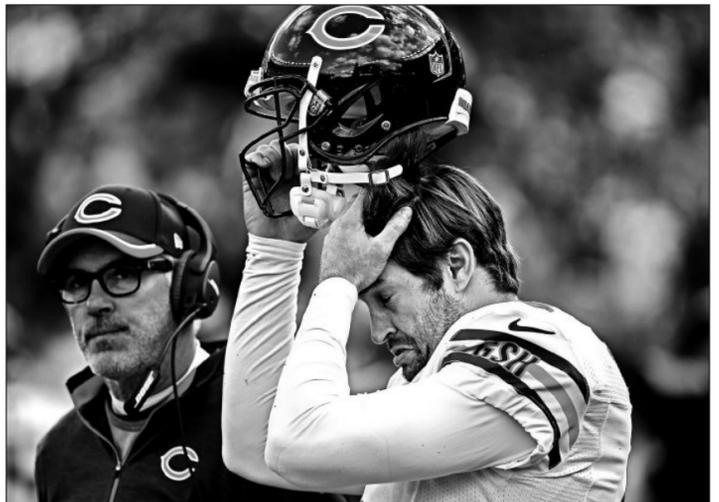
Way back in 2000. At Soldier Field. The old Soldier Field.

The score: Bears 24, Patriots 17.

This was a team Dick Jauron coached and Shane Matthews quarterbacked beating Drew Bledsoe and, yes, Bill Belichick. This was Belichick's first Patriots team, one that lost 11 times and finished last in the AFC East. The old AFC East.

Since then? The Patriots have not only owned the series, they have found ways to inflict very different kinds of misery on the Bears and their fans.

**2002:** Tom Brady offered a Campaign toast, pulling the Patriots out of a 27-6 third-quarter hole and throwing two touchdown passes in the final three minutes to stun the Bears at Illinois' Memorial Stadium. Brady connected on touchdown passes to Kevin Faulk with 2 minutes, 36 seconds to play and David Patten with 21 seconds remaining. But the game also was marred by confusion in the final minute, first when officials failed to offer a measurement after a Brady sneak on fourth-and-3 that was not clearly across the line to gain. Two plays later, more confusion arose when the Bears took a strange timeout as the Patriots attempted to spike the ball to stop the clock. That stoppage gave the Patriots third-and-3 instead of a fourth down in the closing moments. Faulk caught his



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Jay Cutler can't watch after the Patriots returned his fumble for a touchdown during the first half in their 2014 meeting at Gillette Stadium. The Pats rolled 51-23.

touchdown pass on the next play. The Bears lost their seventh game in a row.

**2006:** A Bears team that won 13 games and went on to play in Super Bowl XLI went to Gillette Stadium and lost 17-13. Most significant in the loss were Rex Grossman's three interceptions, all by fourth-year Patriots cornerback Asante Samuel. But the most memorable play of the afternoon was the hardly nimble Brady juking past Brian Urlacher for an 11-yard gain on a key third-and-9 conversion in the fourth quarter. This wasn't a play Brady normally makes. It wasn't a play Urlacher normally missed.

"An uncoordinated stutter-step is probably what it looked like," Brady said after the game. "Maybe he thought I would be sliding, and it put him to sleep."

And to really drive home the frustration for Bears fans, Brady got up after the play and electrified the home crowd with an extra-animated, totally energized and slightly goofy first-down gesture. Five plays later, Brady hit Benjamin Watson for a touchdown and a 17-10 lead. That was that. A terrific Bears team left Foxborough, Mass., that late-November afternoon with just their second loss of the season and another dose of frustration.

**2010:** Again, another good Bears team that won 11 games and eventually advanced to the NFC championship game lost to the pesky Patriots. This time it was at Soldier Field. This time it was 36-7. This time it was in a highly anticipated late-afternoon showdown inside a snow globe near Lake Michigan in December. And if the Bears had any hopes of winning their sixth straight and improving to 10-3 that afternoon, those were blown away in a first-half blizzard with the Patriots forcing two

turnovers and scoring four touchdowns. The last points of a 33-0 first half came as time expired in the second quarter, an inexplicable 59-yard Brady touchdown pass to Deion Branch. Branch caught the ball at the Bears 36. And somehow not a single defender was behind him. Charles Tillman gave chase. Major Wright made a dive of desperation. The Bears were buried.

As Tribune columnist David Haugh wrote: "I realize the roof caved in at the Metrodome, yet what happened to the Bears defense was the biggest collapse of the weekend in the NFC North."

**2014:** If Super Bowl XX was the apex of Bears football, one could argue that Oct. 26, 2014, stands as one of the most embarrassing afternoons in team history. A Bears team that began to come apart the previous Sunday in a 27-14 home loss to the Dolphins and then imploded at New England with a spectacular unraveling in the final stages of the first half. Twenty-one Patriots points in 57 seconds. Rob Gronkowski manhandled Al Lousi-Jean for a 2-yard touchdown catch. The Bears went three-and-out and quickly gave up a 42-yard punt return and a 9-yard touchdown pass. Rob Ninkovich took a ridiculous Jay Cutler fumble 15 yards for another touchdown. It was 38-7 at halftime. The final: Patriots 51, Bears 23. That was the first major explosion in a series of them as Marc Trestman's Bears came crumbling to the ground.

For those scoring at home, the Patriots have won the last four meetings by an average of 16 points. The cumulative first-half score of the last two meetings? Patriots 71, Bears 7.

The nightmares remain.

This year's Bears, with a new coach and a new outlook, have a chance of changing that trend.

## Mack questionable, seems likely to play

*Bears, from Page 1*

arrives at Soldier Field.

"Just trying to keep a feel as to where we think he's at and where he thinks he's at," Nagy said. "And when we get to ... when we have to make a decision, then we'll go with what we feel is best for him and best for the team."

Two others Bears starters were listed as questionable for Sunday. Receiver Allen Robinson is dealing with a groin issue that kept him out of Thursday's practice. But Robinson returned to the field on Friday. Slot cornerback Bryce Callahan, meanwhile, suffered an ankle injury Thursday and sat out Friday's work. If Callahan had to sit out Sunday,

veteran Sherrick McManis likely would step into his role on defense.

Fellow cornerback Marcus Cooper (hamstring) is doubtful for Sunday.

On the bright side for the Bears' secondary, Prince Amukamara was a full participant in Friday's practice. With his hamstring injury no longer hindering him, Amukamara is full-go for Sunday's game.

As for Mack, he has faced the Patriots and quarterback Tom Brady twice before — in Week 3 of his rookie year in 2014 and Week 11 of last season. Mack sacked Brady once last season but understands the challenges of trying to get after a quarterback who gets rid of the ball so quickly.

"That's the whole point," Mack said.

"You just have to understand that he's going to use those different things to slow you down. So it's just getting ready for that. ... He's one of the best playing. He definitely manages the offense and he puts everybody in position to make plays. That's definitely what makes him one of the best."

Mack also was asked what it has meant to him never to have missed a game but he still wanted no part of a health-related question.

"I ain't here to talk about that either," he said. "You know what I'm saying? It's football. At the end of the day, I'm going to make sure I'm right."

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## COLLEGE FOOTBALL



### Illinois at Wisconsin

**TV/radio:** 11 a.m. Saturday; FS1, WSCR-AM 670.  
**Line:** Wisconsin by 25.  
**Records:** Illinois 3-3, 1-2 Big Ten; Wisconsin 4-2, 2-1.



### Northwestern at Rutgers

**TV/radio:** 11 a.m. Saturday; BTN, WGN-AM 720.  
**Line:** Northwestern by 20½.  
**Records:** Northwestern 3-3, 3-1 Big Ten; Rutgers 1-6, 0-4.

#### KEYS TO THE GAME

#### 1. Run defense needs to be up for the challenge.

The Illini's run defense is near the bottom of the Big Ten again, and the unit faces its toughest challenge yet against Wisconsin's Jonathan Taylor, who ranks second in the nation with 158.3 rushing yards per game. Averaging 6.6 yards per carry, he helps the Badgers churn out a Big Ten-best 269.7 yards per game on the ground. Taylor has rushed for at least 100 yards in every game this season, and it's hard to picture Illinois — which has allowed four individual 100-yard games — slowing him down. It could be a huge day for Taylor if the Illini don't buckle down.

#### 2. Get the running game going again.

One of the most promising signs for an Illini turnaround had been the improved running game. Illinois ranks fourth in the Big Ten with 228.8 yards per game and has four reliable ball carriers in Reggie Corbin (80.7 ypg), Mike Epstein (66.2), Ra'Von Bonner (23.2) and quarterback AJ Bush Jr. (70.5). But against Purdue, the running game stalled. The Illini were too pass-heavy early and never found a rhythm with their backs, netting a measly 69 yards on the ground. Epstein didn't get a carry until the fourth quarter, while Corbin rushed for only 20 yards on six carries. The offensive line will need to hold its own against a physical Wisconsin defense to help spark the running game.

#### 3. Eliminate big plays.

Purdue registered 18 "chunk plays" — passes of 15 or more yards and rushes of at least 10 yards — against Illinois last weekend. One of those was a 42-yard touchdown pass. "The explosive plays, that's been a common theme," coach Lovie Smith told reporters. Those big plays seem to wear down the defense — physically and in terms of morale.

#### 1. Have the bus driver down-load Waze or Google Maps.

Northwestern needs to show up at Rutgers' stadium in New Jersey — physically and mentally. The Wildcats can't bask in their crazy comeback victory over Nebraska or think ahead to hosting Wisconsin — potentially their most important conference game since Ohio State visited in 2013. Northwestern got beat by Akron, which is 2-3, so anything is possible. Protecting the football will be paramount.

#### 2. Score by any means necessary.

If the NU rushing attack ever is going to be resurrected, this would be the week. Rutgers is allowing 5.9 yards per carry, having been gashed the last two weeks by Illinois (330 yards) and Maryland (290). Only five FBS teams are allowing more yards per carry. Flipping that around, only one team is averaging less than the Wildcats' 2.2 yards per rush (San Jose State, 1.6). Jeremy Larkin hasn't played since Sept. 15 and is still the leading rusher with 346 yards. No one else has more than 80. Northwestern will try to establish the run and pound away. Solomon Vault is out with an injury, so freshmen Isaiah Bowser and Drake Anderson could get some run. If that doesn't work, Clayton Thorson and Flynn Nagel will continue their air show.

#### 3. Start fast.

Rutgers is down in the dumps, having lost six straight while getting outscored 245-71. But there is talent on the roster, namely in Raheem Blackshear. The 5-foot-9 running back is averaging 4.5 yards per carry and leads the Scarlet Knights with 26 catches. "He's one of the best backs in the Big Ten," NU coach Pat Fitzgerald said. The Wildcats would be wise to jump on Rutgers early and take its homecoming crowd out of the game.

#### THE WINNER

**Shannon Ryan's pick:** Wisconsin on the road? That's too tough of a test for an Illinois team trying to regain its footing. *Wisconsin 48, Illinois 13.*

**Teddy Greenstein's pick:** Do the Wildcats have the killer instinct to win big? They better. *Northwestern 33, Rutgers 10.*



MORRY GASH/AP

Wisconsin's Jonathan Taylor is averaging 158.3 rushing yards per game on 6.6 yards per carry for the Badgers.

#### SATURDAY'S GAMES TO WATCH



#### Michigan at Michigan State

11 a.m. Saturday, FOX-32  
Both teams enter on a high after big Week 7 wins. The Spartans have won eight of the last 10 meetings and would love to crush the Wolverines' rejuvenated title hopes.



#### Oklahoma at TCU

11 a.m. Saturday, ABC-7  
The Horned Frogs had eight penalties and three turnovers in an ugly loss to Texas Tech. Sooners QB Kyler Murray will be looking to pad his Heisman resume.



#### N.C. State at Clemson

2:30 p.m. Saturday, ESPN  
The last meeting of Power Five unbeaten in the 2018 regular season has a QB duel between a potential 2019 first-round pick (the Wolfpack's Ryan Finley) and the possible No. 1 pick in 2021 (the Tigers' Trevor Lawrence).



#### Mississippi State at LSU

6 p.m. Saturday, ESPN  
A second straight group of Bulldogs visits Death Valley. QB Nick Fitzgerald can only hope he fares better against the Tigers than Georgia's Jake Fromm did.



#### Oregon at Washington State

6:30 p.m. Saturday, FOX-32  
They started swarming the streets in Pullman on Wednesday for the first visit by ESPN's "College GameDay" after 25 years.

— Joel Boyd

## NBA



CRAIG MITCHELLDYER/AP

LeBron James slams in two of his 26 points Thursday in his Lakers debut, a 128-119 loss to the Trail Blazers in Portland, Ore.

#### COMMENTARY

# Preached but not practiced

LeBron asks patience (yeah, right) after losing Lakers debut

BY DAN WOIKE  
Los Angeles Times

PORTLAND, Ore. — LeBron James sat in front of reporters in Los Angeles less than a month ago and said his definition of success — and therefore the Lakers' new definition of success — isn't necessarily measured by championships.

The man who has played in eight consecutive NBA Finals and won three championship rings preached patience. Wait for us. Relax.

"There's going to be good times. There's going to be bad times," he said, tempering expectations for his first season in LA. "That's what happens when a team is new."

But less than nine minutes into his Lakers debut Thursday night, it was clear this whole "patience" thing is just not practical. He's too good for results not to matter immediately.

The Lakers and James can try to settle us all down — and they're not wrong. It's foolish to expect the Lakers on Oct. 18 to be a finished product. They're far from it, and you could see why in the Lakers' 128-119 loss to the Trail Blazers in their season opener.

But if you've followed James, you know it doesn't mean much. A team with Chris Bosh and Dwyane Wade lost eight of its first 17 games when the Heat added James — and that group eventually reached the Finals. A Cavaliers team with Kevin Love, Kyrie Irving and James lost seven of its first 12.

It's a fate everyone, James included, seems ready for, part of the price of adding such a transformational player to your team.

"We've talked about that patience," Lakers coach Luke Walton said before Thursday's game. "We talk about where we need to get and how we're going to get there. He's aware it takes time."

But from the moment James scored his first four points as a Laker — consecutive violent, one-handed dunks — all logic

was just as forcefully tossed aside.

The LeBron James experience made it seem as if no challenge would be too great for him and his team.

James played the first 8 minutes, 33 seconds, during which he made all but one of his six shots, grabbed three rebounds, had an assist and pushed the Lakers to a five-point lead before checking out. He finished with 26 points, 12 rebounds and six assists.

But the ferocity of the dunks, the way James jumped at the first pump fake he saw, the way a foul bailed him out when he simply got too excited and fell down with the ball, it all speaks to the idea that maybe James isn't very patient either.

He was hyped. Some of the Lakers' predicted shortcomings — a lack of 3-point-shooting ability, issues with opposing big men, inconsistent defense — were on full display, but part of the journey of a season is finding out how a team can mask its shortcomings.

"It's all about the process," James calmly explained earlier. "It's not the end of the world on day one."

It's not — not even a little. There are 81 more games — 81 more chances for James' greatness to lead the Lakers to victory.

But watching James hit the breaks, the ball in hand, planting his left foot to take off for two very forceful points, watching him make all the plays at both ends, it's easy to get talked out of the reasonable patience this team will require.

In his first game as a pro, James lost. In his first game with the Big Three in Miami, he lost. And in the first game of his homecoming in Cleveland, he lost.

Those stories all turned out just fine — and this one will too. But with someone as great as James, it's a fool's errand to ask for patience.

"I'm glad he's on our team," Walton said after the loss.

This Lakers team is built to win, built to make the playoffs, built to be a factor in the end.

It would be impossible for a team with LeBron James not to be.

## BULLS

# Bulls decide on first 3 Funk subs

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL  
Chicago Tribune

The Bulls' grand Funk replacement tour is ready to roll.

The team on Friday released three names — Adam Amin, Andy Demetra and Kyle Draper — and a schedule for the first five of what they have said will be 20 fill-in dates for veteran play-by-play announcer Neil Funk this season.

Funk, who will turn 72 this year, has been a voice of the Bulls since 1991, first on radio and since 2008 on television. All three backups will work with Funk's regular commentator, former Bull Stacey King.

ESPN's Amin, as previously reported, will be the first fill-in, handling Monday's game against the Mavericks on NBC Sports Chicago, and he's also set to handle the Nov. 14 road game against the Celtics on NBCSCH.

Besides Amin, who grew up in Addison and resides in Chicago, the Bulls have slotted Demetra to take road games against the Hornets on Oct. 26 on WGN-9 and Hawks on Oct. 27 on NBCSCH.

Draper, who is NBC Sports Boston's studio host on Celtics telecasts and occasionally fills in on play-by-play and as a sideline reporter, is scheduled to handle the Bulls' Nov. 7 visit with the Pelicans for NBCSCH.

Demetra is from Oak Brook, has done work for the SEC and Pac-12 networks and currently is Georgia Tech's play-by-play voice.

Draper's name previously was reported to be in the mix to sub for Funk. So was that of White Sox announcer Jason Benetti, although the Bulls have not announced any details for dates beyond Thanksgiving.

Another said to be in line to call Bulls games in place of Funk is Wayne Randazzo, who grew up in St. Charles and has been part of the Mets radio team. Randazzo's resume includes sports updates for WBBM-AM 780 and WSCR-AM 670 and radio broadcasts of the Kane County Cougars.

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# Bulls' lineup may change

Bulls, from Page 1

posted five assists with one turnover in 21 minutes, 34 seconds.

"He did some good things getting the ball up the floor," Hoiberg said of Payne. "Obviously it's tough when you're not making shots. But he still can have an impact on the game, and that's the thing we will continue to stress to him as far as sharing the ball, throwing ahead. Cam does a nice job of that. Continue to get his confidence going with his shot."

Justin Holiday praised Payne and offered support for his readiness to step into a tough situation. But it's obvious the Bulls miss Dunn, who is the team's best individual defender.

"He's our leader, gets a lot of things going at that end," Bobby Portis said. "He gets steals in transition, easy buckets we get in transition."

The Bulls mustered only three fast-break points against the 76ers and surrendered 20. Much of this stemmed from atrocious transition defense, which was an issue all preseason.

The 76ers even scored on Robert Covington's wide-open 3-pointer off a jump ball at center court. That doesn't happen often.

"We're being shown and shown again that we have to play defense," Holiday said. "We have to get better playing as a unit. We've done a good job of adjusting from when we first started preseason to now. Now it counts. Now it matters."

With or without Dunn.

**Layups:** Denzel Valentine was scheduled to practice but did not. He was to have his sprained left ankle re-evaluated in the afternoon, Hoiberg said, adding for the second straight day that the wing did not suffer a setback. When the injury occurred in late September, the Bulls said Valentine would be evaluated in one or two weeks. He missed all five preseason games and Thursday's opener. ... Hoiberg said Antonio Blakeney jumped Chandler Hutchison in the rotation because of matchups and Blakeney getting hot offensively.

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# BASEBALL PLAYOFFS

NLCS BREWERS 7, DODGERS 2

## Brewers bringing it on

Series will go down to Game 7 thanks to Aguilar, bullpen

BY JAY COHEN  
Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Jesus Aguilar and the Brewers forced the NL Championship Series to Game 7, bolting to a big lead and handing it to their dominant bullpen in a 7-2 win over the Dodgers on Friday night.

Aguilar hit a two-run double in the Brewers' four-run first inning against Hyun-Jin Ryu and added a late RBI single that helped the Brewers even the matchup at three games each.

Game 7 is Saturday night in front of the same frenzied crowd that booed Manny Machado vociferously after he tangled with Aguilar in Los Angeles. Dodgers rookie Walker Buehler faces journeyman Jhoulys Chacin, with rested relief ace Josh Hader looming in the bullpen for the Brewers after a surprise day off.

The Dodgers were looking for their second straight NL pennant and some time to prepare for the mighty Red Sox in the World Series. But Ryu lasted just three innings and there was no late comeback this time around after the Dodgers rallied to win Game 2 in Milwaukee.

Left-hander Wade Miley had to face to a right-handed hitter right away as the Brewers tried to stave off elimination.

It didn't go great, with first baseman David Freese hitting a leadoff home run for the Dodgers after batting third in Game 5.

Miley also started that game Wednesday but was pulled after walking the leadoff hitter, left-hander



STACY REVERE/GETTY

Brewers first baseman Jesus Aguilar stands on second base after hitting a two-run double in the first inning.

### SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Series tied 3-3

- G1: Brewers 6, Dodgers 5
- G2: Dodgers 4, Brewers 3
- G3: Brewers 4, Dodgers 0
- G4: Dodgers 2, Brewers 1 (13)
- G5: Dodgers 5, Brewers 2
- G6: Brewers 7, Dodgers 2
- G7: Dodgers at Brewers 7:09 p.m. Saturday, FS1

Cody Bellinger, in a planned move by manager Craig Counsell to exploit the Dodgers' righty-heavy lineup.

Right-handed reliever Brandon Woodruff then entered the game, and the Brewers held the Dodgers scoreless until the fifth inning before eventually falling 5-2.

Freese was a career .350 hitter (7-for-20) with a homer and four walks against Miley entering Friday night's game.

"You just don't know how it's going to unfold," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said.

### THE BOX SCORE

| LOS ANGELES    | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG  |
|----------------|----|---|---|----|----|------|
| Freese 1b      | 3  | 1 | 2 | 2  | 0  | .250 |
| Grandal ph-c   | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | .182 |
| Muncy 2b-1b    | 3  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | .167 |
| Turner 3b      | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 2  | .240 |
| Machado ss     | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 2  | .261 |
| Bellinger cf   | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | .190 |
| Belt 1b        | 2  | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0  | .350 |
| Pederson ph-1f | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | .250 |
| Puig rf        | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | .235 |
| Barnes c       | 3  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 2  | .143 |
| Kemp ph        | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | .200 |
| Ryu p          | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0  | 1  | .500 |
| Dozier ph-2b   | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0  | .111 |
| TOTALS         | 32 | 2 | 5 | 2  | 9  |      |

| MILWAUKEE     | AB | R | H  | BI | SO | AVG  |
|---------------|----|---|----|----|----|------|
| Cain cf       | 5  | 2 | 2  | 0  | 1  | .276 |
| Yelich rf     | 4  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 1  | .167 |
| Braun lf      | 4  | 1 | 2  | 1  | 2  | .280 |
| Shaw 2b       | 3  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 2  | .200 |
| Perez ph-2b   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0  | .125 |
| Aguilar 1b    | 4  | 2 | 3  | 3  | 1  | .318 |
| Moustakas 3b  | 4  | 1 | 1  | 1  | 2  | .120 |
| Kratz c       | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0  | .154 |
| Granderson ph | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1  | .250 |
| Pina c        | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0  | .500 |
| Arcia ss      | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0  | .318 |
| Miley p       | 2  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1  | .500 |
| Knebel p      | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1  | .000 |
| Santana ph    | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1  | .400 |
| TOTALS        | 35 | 7 | 11 | 6  | 13 |      |

|             |     |     |     |    |    |   |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|
| Los Angeles | 100 | 010 | 000 | -2 | 5  | 0 |
| Milwaukee   | 410 | 000 | 11x | -7 | 11 | 0 |

LOB: Los Angeles 6, Milwaukee 11. HR: Freese (1), off Miley. RBIs: Freese 2 (2), Braun (4), Aguilar 3 (4), Moustakas (1), Kratz (1).

| LOS ANGELES | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA  |
|-------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|------|
| Ryu, L, 0-1 | 3  | 7 | 5 | 2  | 3  | 8  | 5.59 |
| Urias       | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 2  | 3.00 |
| Wood        | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 2  | 2  | 2.70 |
| Florez      | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0.00 |
| Ferguson    | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0.00 |
| Maeda       | 1  | 2 | 2 | 1  | 2  | 6  | 6.75 |
| Hill        | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0  | 1  | 1  | 1.50 |

| MILWAUKEE      | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA  |
|----------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|------|
| Miley          | 4  | 5 | 2 | 2  | 2  | 4  | 1.80 |
| Knebel, W, 1-0 | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0  | 2  | 1.42 |
| Jeffress, H, 2 | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 1  | 5  | 5.40 |
| Burnes         | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 2  | 3  | 3.60 |

Maeda pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. Inherited runners scored: Ferguson 1-0, Hill 1-1, Knebel 2-0. Time: 3:34.

ALCS RED SOX WIN 4-1

## It all comes together

Price, Kimbrel, Bradley spark win, but Sale a question

Associated Press

HOUSTON — David Price, at last, looked like a postseason ace. Craig Kimbrel pitched a lockdown inning. And much-maligned Jackie Bradley Jr. became an MVP.

Most everything went right for the Red Sox as they sailed into the World Series. Now the big question: Is everything all right with ace Chris Sale?

"We're not perfect," manager Alex Cora said Thursday night. "That's the cool thing about this team. We feel that we can keep improving. And we have one more series to go."

On his 43rd birthday, Cora became the first manager from Puerto Rico to take a team to the World Series. The club that led the majors with 108 wins this season eliminated the defending champion Astros with a 4-1 victory, taking the AL Championship Series 4-1.

After the Red Sox surrounded Cora in the clubhouse and sang "Happy birthday!" to their rookie skipper, they began turning their attention to next week.

Game 1 of the World Series is Tuesday night at Fenway Park against the Dodgers or Brewers. The Dodgers held a 3-2 lead in the NLCS going into Game 6 on Friday night in Milwaukee.

The Red Sox will try to bring Boston its fourth title in 15 years. This is their first World Series trip since winning it all in 2013.

Those extra days off at home will give Sale even more time to rest.

The seven-time All-Star has been regaining strength since his Monday release



ELSA/GETTY

David Price holds the AL championship trophy Thursday night after the Red Sox beat the Astros 4-1 in Houston.

### WORLD SERIES SCHEDULE

On FOX-32; Games 5-7 if necessary

- G1: Tuesday at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
- G2: Wednesday at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
- G3: Friday at NL champ, 7:09 p.m.
- G4: Oct. 27 at NL champ, 7:09 p.m.
- G5: Oct. 28 at NL champ, 7:15 p.m.
- G6: Oct. 30 at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
- G7: Oct. 31 at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.

from Massachusetts General Hospital, where he spent Sunday night for observation because of a stomach illness.

Cora said before Thursday night's game that the former White Sox lefty was prepared for his next start — either in the ALCS or the World Series opener.

Sale went 12-4 with a 2.11 ERA this season, but was

limited down the stretch because of shoulder trouble. His velocity dipped in the playoffs, where he won the division series opener against the Yankees and relieved in the clinching Game 4.

Sale lost the ALCS opener, working four uneven innings. After recently losing weight, he threw on flat ground Thursday, leading Cora to say Sale was ready.

Price had been 0-9 with a 6.16 ERA in 11 career postseason starts before holding the Astros to three hits in six shutout innings, striking out nine.

The 2012 AL Cy Young Award winner was thrilled he won't be asked again about that zero in the win column.

"That's awesome," Price said. "I don't have to prepare myself for it in spring training. I don't have to answer that question anymore. And man, it feels good."



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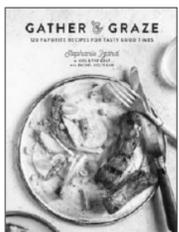
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## CALENDAR

|  | SAT                        | SUN                         | MON                            | TUE                           | WED                        | THU                           | FRI                        |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |                            | NE Noon<br>CBS-2,<br>AM-780 |                                |                               |                            |                               |                            |
|  | DET 7<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-670 |                             | @DAL 7:30<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-670 |                               | CHA 7<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-670 |                               | @CHA 6<br>WGN-9,<br>AM-670 |
|  | @CBJ 6<br>WGN-9,<br>AM-720 | TAM 6<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-720  |                                | ANA 7:30<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-720 |                            | NYR 7:30<br>NBCSCH,<br>AM-720 |                            |
|  | @ATL 2<br>ESPN,<br>AM-1200 |                             |                                |                               |                            |                               |                            |

## SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

**MLB PLAYOFFS**

7 p.m. NLCS: Dodgers at Brewers FS1, WVMV-AM 1000

6 p.m. Raptors at Wizards NBA TV

7 p.m. Pistons at Bulls NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

9:30 p.m. Rockets at Lakers ESPN

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

11 a.m. Northwestern at Rutgers BTN, WGN-AM 720

11 a.m. Illinois at Wisconsin FS1, WSCR-AM 670

11 a.m. Oklahoma at TCU ABC-7

11 a.m. Miami (Ohio) at Army CBSSN

11 a.m. Auburn at Mississippi ESPN

11 a.m. Maryland at Iowa ESPN2

11 a.m. Cincinnati at Temple ESPNU

11 a.m. Michigan at Michigan State FOX-32

2:30 p.m. Penn State at Indiana ABC-7

2:30 p.m. NC State at Clemson ESPN

2:30 p.m. Minnesota at Nebraska BTN

2:30 p.m. Alabama at Tennessee CBS-2

2:30 p.m. Houston at Navy CBSSN

2:30 p.m. Wake Forest at Florida State ESPN2

2:30 p.m. SMU at Tulane ESPNU

2:30 p.m. Colorado at Washington FOX-32

2:30 p.m. Kansas at Texas Tech FS1

6 p.m. UConn at USF ESPN

6 p.m. Mississippi State at LSU CBSN

6 p.m. UCF at East Carolina ESPN2

6:30 p.m. Ohio State at Purdue ABC-7

6:30 p.m. Fresno State at New Mexico ESPNU

6:30 p.m. Oregon at Washington State FOX-32

9:30 p.m. San Jose State at San Diego State CBSN

9:30 p.m. Arizona at UCLA ESPN2

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

12:30 p.m. Providence Catholic vs. Loyola Academy CN100

8 p.m. IHSA Football Playoff Pairing Show NBCSCH+

## FIGURE SKATING

5 p.m. ISU Grand Prix: Skate America NBCSN

## GOLF

7 a.m. Andalucia Valderrama Masters Golf Channel

1:30 p.m. Dominion Energy Charity Classic Golf Channel

9 p.m. CJ Cup at Nine Bridges Golf Channel

## NHL

Noon Devils at Flyers NBCSCH

6 p.m. Blackhawks at Blue Jackets WGN-9, WGN-AM 720

6 p.m. Blues at Maple Leafs NHL Network

## MOTORSPORTS

3:55 p.m. Formula 1: United States Grand Prix qualifying ESPNews

## PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

6:25 a.m. Chelsea vs. Manchester United NBCSN

8:55 a.m. Teams TBA NBCSN

11:30 a.m. Huddersfield Town vs. Liverpool NBC-5

## BUNDESLIGA SOCCER

8:30 a.m. Wolfsburg vs. Bayern Munich FS1

8:30 a.m. Stuttgart vs. Borussia Dortmund FS2

11:20 a.m. Schalke vs. Werder Bremen FS2

## SERIE A SOCCER

5:25 a.m. Frosinone Calcio vs. Empoli ESPN2

## MEXICO PRIMERA DIVISION SOCCER

9 p.m. Monterrey vs. Deportivo Toluca FS2

## TENNIS

6 a.m. Stockholm Open Tennis Channel

7 p.m. Nebraska at Minnesota BTN

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

**AP TOP 25**

| RK. | TEAM              | CP | REC | PF  | PA  | SATURDAY/NEXT GAME                 | *A.M. |
|-----|-------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1.  | Alabama           | 1  | 7-0 | 375 | 106 | Sat. at Tennessee, 2:30            |       |
| 2.  | Ohio State        | 2  | 7-0 | 324 | 134 | Sat. at Purdue, 6:30               |       |
| 3.  | Clemson           | 3  | 6-0 | 253 | 87  | Sat. vs. #16 N.C. State, 2:30      |       |
| 4.  | Notre Dame        | 4  | 7-0 | 228 | 113 | Oct. 27 vs. Navy in San Diego, 7   |       |
| 5.  | LSU               | 5  | 6-1 | 224 | 118 | Sat. vs. #22 Mississippi State, 6  |       |
| 6.  | Michigan          | 7  | 6-1 | 267 | 108 | Sat. at #24 Michigan St., 11*      |       |
| 7.  | Texas             | 8  | 6-1 | 215 | 161 | Oct. 27 at Oklahoma St., 2:30      |       |
| 8.  | Georgia           | 6  | 6-1 | 273 | 114 | Oct. 27 vs. #11 Florida, 2:30      |       |
| 9.  | Oklahoma          | 10 | 5-1 | 288 | 164 | Sat. at TCU, 11*                   |       |
| 10. | UCF               | 9  | 6-0 | 274 | 117 | Sat. at East Carolina, 6           |       |
| 11. | Florida           | 12 | 6-1 | 241 | 116 | Oct. 27 at #9 Georgia, 4:2, 2:30   |       |
| 12. | Oregon            | 11 | 5-1 | 258 | 149 | Sat. at #25 Washington State, 6:30 |       |
| 13. | West Virginia     | 13 | 5-1 | 221 | 123 | Oct. 25 vs. Baylor, 6              |       |
| 14. | Kentucky          | 17 | 5-1 | 176 | 83  | Sat. vs. Vanderbilt, 6:30          |       |
| 15. | Washington        | 14 | 5-2 | 202 | 112 | Sat. vs. Colorado, 2:30            |       |
| 16. | N.C. State        | 15 | 5-0 | 165 | 84  | Sat. at #3 Clemson, 2:30           |       |
| 17. | Texas A&M         | 18 | 5-2 | 226 | 144 | Sat. at #22 Mississippi State, 6   |       |
| 18. | Penn State        | 16 | 4-2 | 265 | 126 | Sat. vs. #16 N.C. State, 2:30      |       |
| 19. | Iowa              | 22 | 5-1 | 191 | 99  | Sat. vs. Maryland, 11*             |       |
| 20. | Cincinnati        | 21 | 6-0 | 230 | 82  | Sat. at Temple, 11*                |       |
| 21. | South Florida     | 20 | 6-0 | 211 | 150 | Sat. vs. Connecticut, 6            |       |
| 22. | Mississippi State | -  | 4-2 | 186 | 76  | Sat. at #5 LSU, 6                  |       |
| 23. | Wisconsin         | 19 | 4-2 | 182 | 120 | Sat. vs. Illinois, 11*             |       |
| 24. | Michigan State    | -  | 4-2 | 157 | 134 | Sat. vs. #6 Michigan, 11*          |       |
| 25. | Washington St.    | 23 | 5-1 | 251 | 143 | Sat. vs. #12 Oregon, 6:30          |       |

CP-coaches poll; PF-A points for/allowed

## BIG TEN STANDINGS

| WEST         | CONF | ALL | PF  | PA  | SATURDAY/NEXT GAME           | *11 A.M. |
|--------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|----------|
| Northwestern | 3-1  | 3-3 | 152 | 157 | Sat. at Rutgers, 11*         |          |
| Iowa         | 2-1  | 5-1 | 191 | 99  | Sat. vs. Maryland, 11*       |          |
| Wisconsin    | 2-1  | 4-2 | 182 | 120 | Sat. vs. Illinois, 11*       |          |
| Purdue       | 1-1  | 6-1 | 201 | 99  | Sat. vs. #2 Ohio State, 6:30 |          |
| Illinois     | 1-2  | 3-3 | 153 | 189 | Sat. at #23 Wisconsin, 11*   |          |
| Minnesota    | 0-3  | 3-3 | 153 | 147 | Sat. at Nebraska, 2:30       |          |
| Nebraska     | 0-4  | 0-6 | 140 | 230 | Sat. vs. Minnesota, 2:30     |          |

**EAST**

| CONF         | ALL | PF  | PA  | SATURDAY/NEXT GAME | *11 A.M.                      |  |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Ohio State   | 4-0 | 7-0 | 324 | 134                | Sat. at Purdue, 6:30          |  |
| Michigan     | 4-0 | 6-1 | 267 | 108                | Sat. at #24 Michigan St., 11* |  |
| Michigan St. | 2-1 | 4-2 | 157 | 134                | Sat. vs. #6 Michigan, 11*     |  |
| Maryland     | 2-1 | 4-2 | 190 | 140                | Sat. at #19 Iowa, 11*         |  |
| Penn State   | 1-2 | 4-2 | 265 | 126                | Sat. at Indiana, 2:30         |  |
| Indiana      | 1-3 | 4-3 | 183 | 197                | Sat. vs. #18 Penn State, 2:30 |  |
| Rutgers      | 0-4 | 1-6 | 106 | 252                | Sat. vs. Northwestern, 11*    |  |

## FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Yale 23, Penn 10  
Boise State 56, Colorado State 28  
Air Force 41, UNLV 5

## SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

**MIDWEST**

San Diego (4-2) at Butler (3-3), 11\*  
Buffalo (6-1) at Toledo (3-3), 11\*  
Drake (3-2) at Dayton (3-4), noon  
Bowling Green (1-9) at Ohio (3-3), 1  
Jacksonville St. (5-1) at SE Mo. (4-2), 1  
E. Michigan (3-4) at Ball State (3-4), 2  
W. Michigan (5-2) at E. Michigan (1-6), 2  
UT Martin (1-5) at E. Illinois (1-6), 2  
W. Illinois (2-4) at Missouri (3-2), 2  
Indiana St. (3-3) at S. Illinois (1-5), 2  
Akron (2-3) at Kent St. (1-6), 2:30  
Illinois St. (5-1) at N. Dak. St. (6-0), 2:30  
Memphis (4-3) at Missouri (3-3), 3  
S. Dakota St. (2-2) at Iowa (2-3), 4  
S. Dakota (3-3) at Youngstown St. (2-4), 5  
**EAST**

Miami (Ohio) (3-4) at Army (4-2), 11\*  
Lafayette (1-5) at Bucknell (1-6), 11\*  
Princeton (5-0) at Harvard (3-2), 11\*  
Cent. St. (OH) (3-4) at N. Morris (0-5), 11\*  
Duquesne (4-3) at St. Francis (Pa.) (2-4), 11\*  
N. Carolina (1-4) at Syracuse (4-2), 11:20\*  
Cornell (2-3) at Brown (1-4), noon  
Sacred Heart (3-3) at CCSU (4-3), noon  
Bryant (4-2) at Fordham (1-5), noon  
Davidson (5-2) at Marist (2-4), noon  
Campbell (5-1) at Monmouth (NJ) (4-2), noon  
Dartmouth (5-0) at Columbia (3-2), 12:30  
Lehigh (1-5) at Georgetown (3-1), 1  
Houston (5-1) at Albany (NY) (2-4), 2:30  
Towson (5-1) at Navy (2-4), 2:30  
Delaware (4-2) at New Hamp. (1-5), 2:30  
Coastal Carolina (3-3) at UMass (2-5), 2:30  
Rhode Island (4-2) at Stony Brook (5-2), 5  
**SOUTH**

Auburn (4-3) at Mississippi (5-2), 11\*  
Virginia (4-2) at Duke (5-1), 11:30\*  
Richmond (3-4) at Elon (4-2), 12:30  
Delaware St. (0-6) at SC State (1-5), 12:30  
The Citadel (1-4) at VMI (0-6), 12:30  
ETSU (6-1) at Wofford (4-2), 12:30  
Samford (3-4) at Furman (2-3), 1  
Idaho St. (4-2) at Liberty (3-3), 1

## TRANSACTIONS

**BASKETBALL**

**NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**  
L.A. Lakers: Signed F Johnathan Williams to a two-way contract; waived F Travis Wear.

**FOOTBALL**

**NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**  
Arizona: Fired offensive coordinator Mike McCoy. Announced quarterbacks coach Byron Leftwich will assume that role.  
Jacksonville: Traded a 2019 fifth-round draft pick to Cleveland for RB Carlos Hyde.

**HOCKEY**

**NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
Arizona: Assigned C David Ulstrom to Tucson (AHL).

**Detroit:** Assigned D Brian Lashoff to Grand Rapids (AHL).

**New Jersey:** Assigned D Eric Gryba to Binghamton (AHL). Activated G Cory Schobert from injured non-roster list and assigned him to Binghamton.

## LATEST LINE

**NBA**

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Detroit 3½ at Bulls

at Washington 1 Toronto

at Indiana 8½ Brooklyn

at Philadelphia 12 Orlando

Boston 9 at New York

at Miami 5 Charlotte

Minnesota 2½ at Dallas

at Denver 4 Phoenix

at Portland 4½ San Antonio

Houston 3½ at LA Lakers

**NHL**

at Columbus -160 Blackhawks +150

at Philadelphia -111 New Jersey +101

at Carolina -143 Colorado +133

at Winnipeg -200 Arizona +180

at Los Angeles off Buffalo off

at Vegas off Anaheim off

at Toronto -160 St. Louis +150

Montreal -118 at Ottawa +108

at Minnesota off Tampa Bay off

at Las Vegas off Detroit off

at Edmonton off Nashville off

Boston -162 at Vancouver +152

at San Jose -220 NY Islanders +200

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

**WEEK 8**

at Kentucky 12½ Saturday

at Temple 3½ Cincinnati

UCF 21½ at East Carolina

at Syracuse 10½ Maryland

at Jacksonville 10 Virginia

at Duke 7 at Marshall

FAU 3 at Rutgers

Northwestern 20½ at UMass

at Army 8 Miami (Ohio)

Michigan 7 at Michigan St.

Ohio State 12½ at Purdue

Alabama 28½ at Tennessee

E. Michigan 1 at Toledo

Akron 5½ at Kent St.

Penn St. 14 at Indiana

at Wisconsin 24½ Illinois

Houston 12½ at Navy

at La. Tech 23½ UTEP

at FIU 23½ Rice

at Appalachian St. 25 La. State

at Arkansas 5½ Tulsa

Ga. Southern 11 at New Mexico St.

Utah St. 15 at Wyoming

Fresno St. 13 at New Mexico

W. Michigan 3½ at Cent. Mich.

Arizona 10 at Oregon

at Wash. St. 2½ Oregon

at Washington 17½ Colorado

California 7½ at Oregon St.

at Florida St. 9½ Wake Forest

at Ohio 16½ Bowling Green

at La.-Monroe 10½ Texas St.

at Minnesota 14 UConn

at South Florida 32½ Oklahoma

Oklahoma 7½ at TCU

at UAB 7 North Texas

at Tulane 7 Illinois

at Clemson 17½ NC State

at Texas Tech 18 Kansas

at So. Miss. 16 UTSA

at Memphis 9½ Charlotte

at Missouri 9½ Memphis

Auburn 4 at Mississippi

at W. Kentucky 4½ Old Dominion

at LSU 7 USC

at Utah 7 Michigan

at San Diego St. 27½ San Jose St.

Hawaii 3 Nevada

**WEEK 7**

New England 2½ Minnesota

LA Chargers 6½ Tennessee

at Tampa Bay 3½ Cleveland

Detroit 3 at Miami

at Philadelphia 4½ Carolina

at Indianapolis 7 Buffalo

5 Cincinnati

Minnesota 3½ at NY Jets

at Jacksonville 4 Houston

at Baltimore 3 New Orleans

at Washington 1 Dallas

LA Rams 9½ at San Fran.

at Atlanta 4 NY Giants

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**SUNDAY**

Florida 6, Washington 5 (SO)

at Buffalo 7, Dallas 1

Nashville 5, Calgary 3

**SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Blackhawks at Columbus, 6

New Jersey at Philadelphia, noon

Colorado at Carolina, noon

Buffalo at Los Angeles, 2:30

Arizona at Winnipeg, 3

St. Louis at Toronto, 6

Montreal at Ottawa, 6

Detroit at Florida, 6

Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 7

**MONDAY**

Boston at Vancouver, 9

Anaheim at Vegas, 9

Nashville at Edmonton, 9

N.Y. Islanders at San Jose, 9:30

**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

Arizona 4, Blackhawks 1

Pittsburgh 3, Toronto 0

Colorado 5, New Jersey 3

Columbus 6, Philadelphia 3

Tampa Bay 3, Detroit 1

Winnipeg 4, Vancouver 1

Edmonton 3, Boston 2 (OT)

N.Y. Islanders 7, Los Angeles 2

San Jose 5, Buffalo 1

## NFL

**NFC NORTH**

| W         | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|-----------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| BEARS     | 3 | 2 | 0   | .600 | 139 | 96  |
| Green Bay | 3 | 6 | 0   | .333 | 148 | 143 |
| Minnesota | 3 | 2 | 1   | .583 | 140 | 148 |
| Detroit   | 2 | 3 | 0   | .400 | 125 | 137 |

**NFC EAST**

| W            | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|--------------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Washington   | 3 | 2 | 0   | .600 | 106 | 104 |
| Dallas       | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500 | 123 | 103 |
| Philadelphia | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500 | 137 | 117 |
| N.Y. Giants  | 1 | 5 | 0   | .167 | 117 | 162 |

**NFC SOUTH**

| W           | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|-------------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| New Orleans | 4 | 1 | 0   | .800 | 180 | 140 |
| Carolina    | 3 | 2 | 0   | .600 | 121 | 114 |
| Tampa Bay   | 2 | 3 | 0   | .400 | 141 | 173 |
| Atlanta     | 2 | 4 | 0   | .333 | 167 | 192 |

**NFC WEST**

| W             | L | T | PCT   | PF   | PA  |     |
|---------------|---|---|-------|------|-----|-----|
| LA Rams       | 6 | 0 | 1.000 | 196  | 118 |     |
| Seattle       | 3 | 3 | 0     | .500 | 143 | 117 |
| San Francisco | 1 | 5 | 0     | .167 | 148 | 179 |
| Arizona       | 1 | 6 | 0     | .143 | 92  | 184 |

**AFC NORTH**

| W          | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|------------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Cincinnati | 4 | 2 | 0   | .667 | 174 | 158 |
| Baltimore  | 4 | 2 | 0   | .667 | 153 | 77  |
| Pittsburgh | 3 | 2 | 1   | .583 | 171 | 154 |
| Cleveland  | 2 | 3 | 1   | .417 | 128 | 151 |

**AFC EAST**

| W           | L | T | PCT | PF    | PA  |     |
|-------------|---|---|-----|-------|-----|-----|
| New England | 4 | 2 | 0   | .667  | 176 | 148 |
| Miami       | 4 | 0 | 0   | 1.000 | 130 | 141 |
| N.Y. Jets   | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500  | 165 | 139 |
| Buffalo     | 2 | 4 | 0   | .333  | 76  | 138 |

**AFC SOUTH**

| W            | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|--------------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Tennessee    | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500 | 87  | 107 |
| Houston      | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500 | 135 | 137 |
| Jacksonville | 3 | 3 | 0   | .500 | 109 | 126 |
| Indianapolis | 1 | 5 | 0   | .167 | 152 | 180 |

**AFC WEST**

| W           | L | T | PCT | PF   | PA  |     |
|-------------|---|---|-----|------|-----|-----|
| Kansas City | 5 | 1 | 0   | .833 | 215 | 172 |
| LA Chargers | 4 | 2 | 0   | .667 | 175 | 144 |
| Denver      | 3 | 4 | 0   | .429 | 165 | 164 |
| Oakland     | 0 | 6 | 0   | .000 | 117 | 176 |

**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE**

New England at Bears, noon

ennessee vs. L.A. Chargers, 8:30 a.m.

(at Wembley Stadium, London, UK)

Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, noon

Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, noon

Detroit at Miami, noon

Houston at Jacksonville, noon

Carolina at Philadelphia, noon

Buffalo at Indianapolis, noon

New Orleans at San Francisco, 3:05

L.A. Rams at San Francisco, 3:25

Dallas at Washington, 3:25

Cincinnati at Kansas City, 7:20

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**MONDAY'S SCHEDULE**

N.Y. Giants at Atlanta, 7:15

## BRONCOS 45, CARDINALS 10

**LATE THURSDAY**

Denver 21 14 7 3-4-5

Chicago 3 0 7 0-10-10

**First quarter**

Den: Davis 20 interception return (McManus kick), 10:01.

Den: Sutton 28 pass from Sanders (McManus kick), 14:01.

Art: FG Dawson 34, 51:28.

Den: C.Harris 53 interception return (McManus), 2:02.

**Second quarter**

Den: Sanders 64 pass from Keenum (McManus), 14:40.

Den: Freeman 1 run (McManus), :21.

**Third quarter**

Art: Fitzgerald 4 pass from Rosen (Dawson), 8:33.

Den: Lindsay 28 run (McManus), 3:32

Den: FG McManus 41, 5:35.

**TEAM STATS**

| TEAM            | DEN    | ARI   |
|-----------------|--------|-------|
| First downs     | 15     | 14    |
| Total net yards | 309    | 223   |
| Rushes-yards    | 31-131 | 21-69 |

## BLACKHAWKS

## BLACKHAWKS NOTES

## Crawford to start 2 in row

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

It was business as usual for Blackhawks goaltender Corey Crawford, who came through his first start in nearly 10 months with flying colors and will start again Saturday night against the Blue Jackets.

"That was one of the things we were wondering, how he'd handle the postgame and how he came in (the day after)," coach Joel Quenneville said Friday after Crawford made 27 saves in Thursday's 4-1 loss to the Coyotes. "Very encouraging signs."

Crawford wouldn't turn down an assignment Sunday against the Lightning at the United Center, but Cam Ward is expected to play.

"The more you get into games, the little details is what makes a big difference," Crawford said. "The more games I play, it's going to feel better, so just have to work hard and make sure I'm in the right spot and give myself the best chance to make saves."

**Staying power:** After three frustrating seasons bouncing back and forth between the Hawks and Rockford IceHogs, de-

fenseman Erik Gustafsson looks like he's here to stay.

The 26-year-old Swede has seen his ice time increase from a season low of 17 minutes, 52 seconds in the opener against the Senators to a team-high 23:04 on Thursday. He scored the Hawks' lone goal, his first of the season and sixth of his career.

Even if Gustafsson plays all 82 games, he says he never will take playing time for granted.

"I have to go out there every night and show them," Gustafsson said. "My confidence right now is great. I trust my skating, I trust where I put the puck and where I can do hard plays. It's always fun to have that confidence, but I'm just taking it day by day."

**Murphy update:** Defenseman Connor Murphy (back) has not begun skating and isn't expected to return until late November at the earliest.

"Unfortunately, not going to be on the ice for a little bit," Quenneville said. "Then you go from there. Once he gets going, we'll get a better idea. But it's going to take some time."

## Anisimov to supplant Fortin

Blackhawks, from Page 1

ing inability to convert golden opportunities into goals. During Thursday night's 4-1 loss to the Coyotes, Kane twice set up Fortin near the net. On the first one, Fortin was alone less than 10 feet in front of goalie Antti Raanta but shot wide left.

On the second, Kane and Fortin had a two-on-one, but Fortin wasn't able to get a stick on a slick Kane pass that did have some bounce to it.

Whether or not Anisimov is a long-term answer to complete the line, it shouldn't escape Hawks fans that his first game in the role will come Saturday against the Blue Jackets and former Hawks winger Artemi Panarin. Kane, Anisimov and Panarin formed a productive line for two seasons before the Hawks traded Panarin for Saad in June 2017. Panarin had 82 points (27 goals, 55 assists) during his first season in Columbus and has three goals and six assists in six games this season.

Quenneville is comfortable with Schmaltz at center or wing, and with Anisimov joining the line, he didn't have a choice but to move Schmaltz.

"I like (Schmaltz's) speed in the middle, like him with the puck," Quenneville said.

"But Arty with that line is effective with net presence, purpose defensively, effective in both ends."

During practice Friday, Saad skated with the third line, which was centered by David Kampf with Chris Kunitz on the left wing. The fourth line had Andreas Martinsen joining John Hayden and Marcus Kruger, which makes Fortin the likely odd man out against the Blue Jackets.

If Anisimov doesn't work out on the second line, Quenneville might have to return to Saad because there aren't any obvious options at Rockford. Tyler Sikura and Matthew Highmore lead the IceHogs with two goals in four games, while Dylan Sikura, who is probably the top prospect at Rockford but had a disappointing training camp with the Hawks, has one goal.

There will also be a shakeup on defense. Brandon Manning is expected to be a healthy scratch Saturday with Brandon Davidson getting his first playing time of the season.

"Took us a while to get (Davidson in) there, and now looking forward to him playing," Quenneville said.

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## Boyd, Daryl Ann

Daryl Ann (Davis) Boyd, 74, of Palatine, passed away on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights. She was born on July 31, 1944 to Wilfrid Elmer and Rose (Kopca) Davis in Chicago, IL. Her parents preceded her in death.

Daryl took tremendous pride in her children and grandchildren. She was an animal lover and was often rescuing creatures in need, from her son's kindergarten roosters, to dogs, cats, salamanders and even the wayward seagull with buckshot in his wing. Daryl enjoyed learning about the world and loved to travel. She was an avid reader who loved history. Daryl found much pleasure in studying the native bird species and bird watching.

She is survived by her son, Daryl Charles (Maria) Boyd; daughter, Courtney (James) Kulp; her beloved sister and best friend, Diane Joseph-Feldman; brother, Richard Alan Davis; grandchildren, Rachel, Kate, Chandler, and Michael Boyd, Graham and Keaton Kulp; niece and nephew, Diana and John Joseph. She is preceded in death by her cherished sister, Dawn Davis and brother-in-law, Hyman Feldman. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. She will rest eternally at Memory Gardens in Arlington Heights, IL, with her parents, grandparents and her sister.

Memorial contributions may be made in her name to one of her favorite places in Illinois: the Lincoln Park Zoo at https://www.lpzoo.org/support-zoo  
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## Curley, Robert

July 13, 1931 – October 2, 2018

Bob was born and raised in Chicago, IL, the eldest child of Rose and Stanley Curley. He attended St. Basil Catholic Grammar School, De La Salle Institute high school, completed his Bachelor of Science at the University of Illinois, earned his J.D. from the DePaul University College of Law, and served as an

officer in the U.S. Army. He is survived by the love of his life, wife, Betty; children, Robert, Jr. (Barbara), Leslie (Mike) DeVolder and Cathy; eight grandchildren

(Robert Curley, III, Maeve Curley, Emily DeVolder, Claire DeVolder, Jack DeVolder, Emma Topping, Campbell Topping, and Oliver Topping); and his twin sisters, Joan Ulaszek and Dolores Kustom. Married for 61 years, Bob enjoyed many wonderful adventures with Betty, traveling the world, enjoying new experiences and vistas, and making life-long friends all along the way. Their home was frequently the hub of social activity, with friends, family and work colleagues all gathering together for generous hospitality which usually featured sporting competitions ("Fairfield Rules" always applied, gold medals awarded after), dance and song. A gifted businessman, Bob undertook a succession of corporate counsel/executive management positions at Simoniz, Brunswick, Apeco Corporation, ultimately serving as CEO of PC Distributing. He was a proud member of the Chicago, Illinois State and American Bar Associations. Throughout his career he was known for his calm demeanor under pressure, strong principles, fairness, and for being a great mentor. He approached all life's endeavors with a positive spirit, great gusto and a terrific sense of humor. No matter the situation, Bob was always quick with a joke to make everyone feel comfortable. As an active member in his church and civic communities, Bob served in various capacities at the Church of St. Mary (Lake Forest, IL), St. Patrick Catholic Community (Scottsdale, AZ), the St. Mary's Men's CRHP group, the Knights of Columbus, the board of Boys Hope, Kiwanis, the planning commission for the City of Lake Forest, the Lake Forest Croquet Club, the board of the homeowners' association of DC Ranch (Scottsdale), extraordinary minister for the Sagewood Catholic community and a founding member of the Audubon Road Social Society (Riverside, IL). Bob also loved sports, especially playing them. He was a gifted tennis player, but also enjoyed golf, skiing, windsurfing, basketball and volleyball. A Chicagoan at heart, he was an avid fan of the White Sox, Bears, Bulls and 'Hawks. Everyone who knew him will miss his passion for life. After battling the effects of Parkinson's for the past several years, he returned to heaven peacefully after spending his final days with his wife and children at his side. A Mass and celebration of life will be held at the Oasis Center at Sagewood, 4555 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix on Monday, October 22nd at 11:30am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Charities or the National Parkinson's Foundation.

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## Drennan, Helen J.

Helen J. Drennan, nee Burke; Loving mother of Joseph (Susan), late Diane (Thomas) O'Brien, late Debbie, and the late Mary; Proud and Loving Grandmother of Katie (Brian) Kathman, Douglas (Jeri) Drennan, Bridget (Matt) Finn, Phil (Emily) Drennan, and Tom (Colleen) O'Brien; "G.G." to her great-grandchildren Andrew and Katherine Drennan; Stella Kathman, Emmet, Aidan, and Drennan Finn; Eliot, Miles, and Cecilia Drennan; Margaret and Eileen O'Brien, all of whom were a source of immense pride and happiness; Dear sister of Margie (late Joseph) Quinn, late John (late Betty) Burke, late Marie (late John) Mitchell, late Dorothy (late John) Navickus, late Tom (Maureen) Burke, and the late Joseph Burke; Loving aunt and great-aunt to many dear nieces and nephews; She was grateful to her many friends, and loved ones for all the cherished memories; Visitation Sunday, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral Monday, 9:00 a.m. from Curley Funeral Home, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge to St. Catherine of Alexandria Church, 10621 S. Kedvale Ave., Oak Lawn; Mass 10:00 a.m.; Interment St. Mary Cemetery; In lieu of flowers donations to Diane O'Brien Breast Cancer Research Fund c/o Melody Cobleigh, M.D. Medical Oncology, Suite 809 Rush-Presbyterian-St. Lukes Hospital, 1725 Harrison Street, Chicago, IL 60612 would be appreciated; For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or [www.curleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.curleyfuneralhome.com)

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## Hoffman, Vergé Michael 'Mike'

Vergé Michael Hoffman (Mike), was born on

February 29, 1944 in Wayne, Michigan to Cora (Denton) and Vergé Hoffman. He grew up in Taylor, Michigan. Mike graduated from Michigan State University and then served in the Vietnam War, where

he was a decorated Army officer assigned to the MACV unit. He later received his MBA from Loyola University. He worked in the commercial real estate business. Mike married Gail Montague on September 2, 1971. To this union three children were born. Mike loved his family, his country, and Michigan State football, not necessarily in that order. He was an avid reader, a history buff, and enjoyed traveling with his kids and wife, and reading every bit of historical information at every landmark aloud to his family. He had a heart of gold and a sense of humor that kept us all laughing. He is survived by his extremely loving and supportive wife Gail, daughter Jessica (Ryan) Iverson, sons Michael (Natalie) Hoffman and Matthew (Mandi) Hoffman, grandchildren Elizabeth and Luke Iverson, Matthew and William Hoffman, and Carolina and Jameson Hoffman, a sister Sylvia Kloc, his brother-in-law, Jim (Helen) Montague and his sister-in-law Pam Montague. his best friend of 55 years, Joe Wisniewski, and many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his brother Bill Hoffman, and his sister Sandra Lentz, as well as his brothers-in-law, Carl Kloc and Jerry Lentz, a niece Paula Paull, and a nephew Steven Kloc. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Neurology MS Research Fund c/o Anthony T Reder, MD; Department of Neurology-University of Chicago, MC-2030; 5841 S Maryland Ave, Chicago, IL 60637. The family would like to thank his daughter-in-law Natalie for caring for him in his final days. Additionally, they would like to remind you to cheer for Michigan State this football season! Memorial Visitation will take place on Monday, October 22 4:00-8:00 PM at Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services 44 S. Mill St. Naperville, IL 60540. A Memorial Service will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 23 at 10:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. For more information, please call (630)355-0213.



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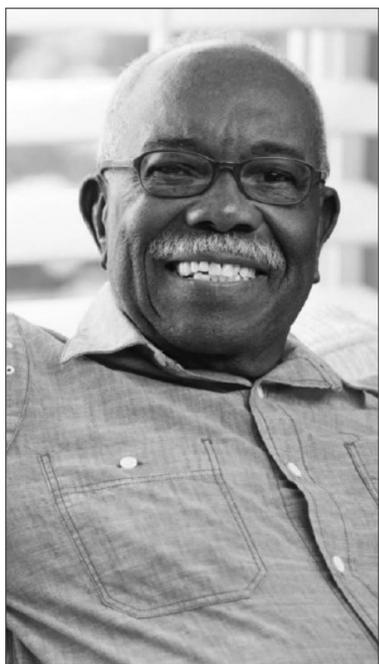
## Wolf, Louis

Louis Wolf age 94. Beloved wife of Debra nee Schleyer. Loving father of Rachel (Seth Wiener) and Ashley. Proud grandfather of Eliana Rose. Devoted brother of the late Sylvia (the late Joseph) Berke.

Service Sunday 12PM at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Waldheim Jewish Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lev lalev Orphanage, [www.levlalev.com](http://www.levlalev.com). Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjfnfo.com](http://www.cjfnfo.com)

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## Ott, Sherry

Sherry Lee Ott was an exceptionally, strong woman and devoted and loving mother and friend. Her sunrise was February 28, 1948 and her sunset was October 15, 2018. She was 70 years young. Sherry will be remembered for always giving her family and friends support, love and encouragement - no matter who you were or where you came from. Sherry leaves to cherish: her three children Suzen Ott-Klug, Bonnie Smith and Brittney Perez; her three son-in-laws Kevin Klug, Vincent Smith and Rodolfo Perez; her two grandchildren Jacinda Ott (Suzen's daughter) and Lucas Perez who will be welcomed into our world on/around December 15, 2018 to Brittney and Rodolfo. Her 'baby' brother David and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Randall Charles Ott, her sister Suzen Henderson, her brothers Roger, Carl, Bobby and Craig Patten and her mother Joan Patten.

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## Pappas, Luci

Luci Pappas, 66 of Itasca, was born in Chicago on September 2, 1952, and born into eternity on October 16, 2018; beloved wife of Gus; loving mother of Maria (Anthony) Colucci, Nicole (James) Cozzo, Alexander (Ann Marie) Pappas, and the late Constantine "Gussie" Pappas; adoring grandmother of Lucia, Olivia, and Elliana; caring sister of Maryann, John, Madeline, Salvatore, Virginia, Vincent, Elizabeth, and the late Nanette; dear daughter of the late Salvatore & Virginia LaSusa. Visitation Sunday from 3PM to 9PM at Montclair-Lucania Funeral Home, 6901 W. Belmont, Chicago; Mass 10AM Monday at Church of the Holy Ghost, 254 N. Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale, IL; Entombment at Queen of Heaven Mausoleum, Hillside, IL; info call 773-622-9300 or go to [www.Montclair-LucaniaFuneral.com](http://www.Montclair-LucaniaFuneral.com).

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## Pomierski, Renee L. 'Nay Nay'

Pomierski, Renee L. "Nay Nay" age 73. Called home to God on October 14, 2018. Renee often expressed her gratitude to God for wonderful parents, brother, sister, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and for many close and dear friends who remained faithful to her from the time of her childhood to her last moments on earth. Renee gave special thanks to her many neighbors who were always on call especially during her days of struggling with cancer for thirteen months in lieu of flowers memorials in her name to School Sisters of St. Francis, 1501 South Layton Blvd. Milwaukee, WI 53215. Memorial gathering 9:15 A.M. Meet at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 4646 N. Austin Ave. Chicago. Saturday, October 27, 2018. Until 10 A.M. Funeral Mass. Procession to St. Adalbert Cemetery for graveside inurnment. For info [www.kolbusmayfh.com](http://www.kolbusmayfh.com) or (773) 774-3232.

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## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Chavalita Etheard

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Naphtalie Etheard (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 15JA01260

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, KESNAL VERNAL, KESNER VERNAL (FATHER), AKA KESNAL VERNAL, VERNAL KESNAL ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 22, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 11/05/2018, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
October 20, 2018

## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Sebastian Steed

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Denisha Steed (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00960

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Charles Smith (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 25, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge John Huff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 11/07/2018, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 14 COURTROOM N, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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October 20, 2018

## LEGAL NOTICES

THE CITY OF EVANSTON NOTIFIES ALL INTERESTED PARTIES BY PUBLICATION: The property located at 567 Dodge Ave, Evanston, Illinois, 60201 with PIN: 10-13-406-007-0000 is open and vacant and constitutes an immediate and continuing hazard to the community. The City of Evanston intends to DEMOLISH the garage and remove all debris, garbage, or other hazardous, noxious, or unhealthy substances or materials if the owner or owners or lienholders of record fail to do so within 30 days of publication notice.

Legal Description: THE SOUTH 46 FEET OF LOT 13 IN BLOCK 5 IN HINMAN ADDITION TO EVANSTON, A SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

The City of Evanston can be reached regarding this publication notice at: 847.866.2937.

Contractor seeking proposals from MBE/WBE/DBE certified firms for City of Elmhurst project, Water Reclamation Facility Improvements Electrical Distribution Building, Proposals due by 11/5/18. Contact Leyden Electric at 630-365-0200. 5939672/10/20/2018

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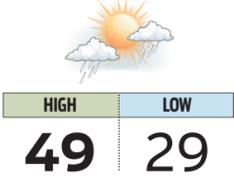
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SATURDAY, OCT. 20 NORMAL HIGH: 61° NORMAL LOW: 42° RECORD HIGH: 86° (1953) RECORD LOW: 24° (1930)

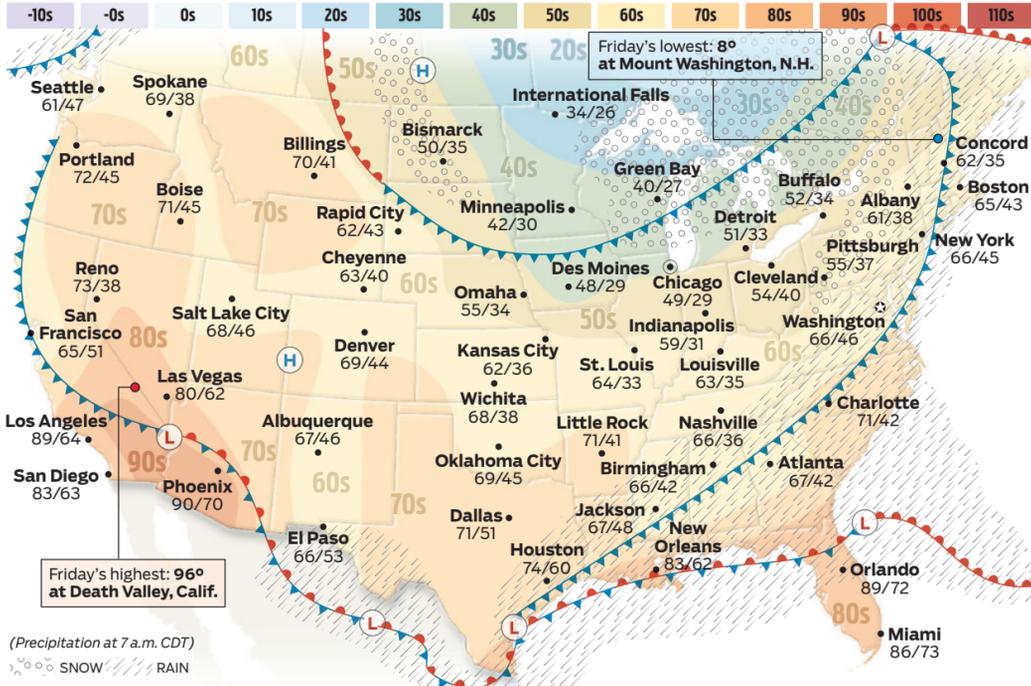
## Another chilly weekend in store for Chicago

### LOCAL FORECAST



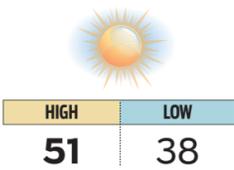
■ A strong cold front sweeps through the area from the NW preceded, accompanied by showers, passing over Chicago midday, followed by colder air.  
 ■ Gusty winds shift from west to NW. Clouds thicken in morning with scattered showers. Blustery, turning colder—highest temps occur before noon. Temps falling through the 40s into the upper 30s by late afternoon/early evening.  
 ■ Clearing skies. Diminishing winds. Colder overnight. Frost/ freeze likely across a wide area early Sunday morning.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Yet another surge of chilly air of Canadian origin sweeps into Chicago on Saturday, and it will linger through Sunday. Then, temperatures moderate on Monday as high pressure at the core of the Canadian air mass sweeps east and southeast of the area.  
 Saturday's skies are expected to become mostly cloudy by afternoon, and a few light showers cannot be ruled out. Chilly air arrives in the afternoon, accompanied by falling temperatures and gusty winds of 30 to 40 mph that sweep in from the northwest. Temperatures collapse into the upper 30s late in the day, down to an overnight low in the upper 20s. Saturday's high in the upper 40s would be the city's 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive day with sub-normal readings, and Sunday morning's low would mark the fourth time this season with frost and/or freezing temperatures.

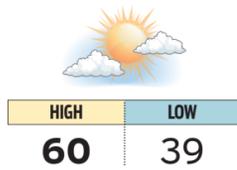
### SUNDAY, OCT. 21



A widespread frost/freeze as the day opens. Generous sunshine and SW winds allow temps to rebound from the early morning chill, peaking around 50 degrees. Partly cloudy and not as cold overnight.



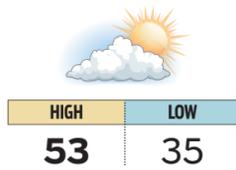
### MONDAY, OCT. 22



Pacific-source high pressure follows a weak cold front into the area. Normal high temperatures for the first time in almost 2 weeks. Clear skies overnight. Breezy winds out of the west.



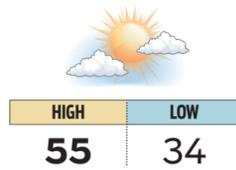
### TUESDAY, OCT. 23



Cooler air rides northeast winds into the area. Sun/cloud mix, breezy and modestly cooler. Highs in the low/mid 50s. Clear, chilly overnight with light winds.



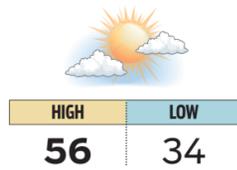
### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24



High pressure is centered directly overhead. A light easterly component to the winds keeps high temperatures in the 50s under mostly sunny skies. Clear and chilly overnight.



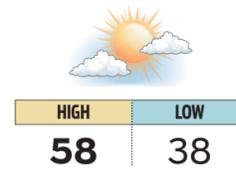
### THURSDAY, OCT. 25



The center of high pressure is still overhead. Mostly sunny with highs in the middle 50s. Clear skies overnight. Light easterly winds.



### FRIDAY, OCT. 26



Partly cloudy skies with near normal temperatures — highs 55-60. Partly cloudy overnight. Southwest winds.



### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
 What is the difference between "partly cloudy" and "partly sunny" in weather forecasts?  
 — Stacey, Sugar Grove

Dear Stacey,  
 Your question comes up occasionally, so let's address it again. First of all, "partly sunny" is a daytime term. It cannot be used at night.

Four terms describe the amount of the sky covered by clouds: clear, used when the sky is clear or covered by up to two-tenths of clouds; partly cloudy, when cloudiness ranges from three-tenths to six-tenths of coverage; mostly cloudy, clouds covering seven-tenths to nine-tenths of the sky; and cloudy, when cloudiness is nearly or fully complete. In addition, "overcast" refers to clouds covering all of the sky.

Sunny, mostly sunny, partly sunny and cloudy (sunless) have comparable definitions for daytime situations. The use of all these terms is loose.

Write to: ASK TOM  
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WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

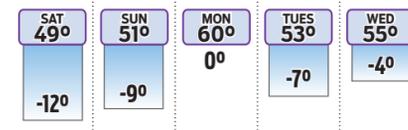
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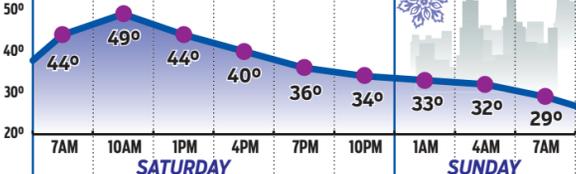
## Powerful cold front to deliver new round of blustery chill

### CHICAGO'S CHILLY PATTERN CONTINUES

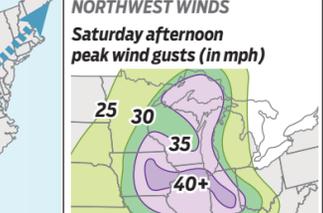
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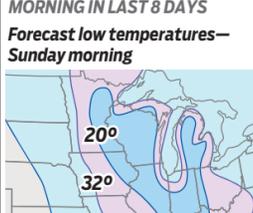
### STRONG COLD FRONT HITS; TEMPS PLUNGE



### CHILLY AIR RIDES POWERFUL NORTHWEST WINDS



### CHICAGO AREA'S 4th FROSTY MORNING IN LAST 8 DAYS



### MIDWEST CITIES

| SAT./SUN.      | FC | HI | LO | FC | HI | LO |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Illinois       | pc | 64 | 31 | su | 54 | 36 |
| Carbondale     | pc | 58 | 27 | su | 54 | 36 |
| Champaign      | pc | 58 | 27 | su | 54 | 36 |
| Decatur        | pc | 58 | 27 | su | 54 | 36 |
| Moline         | pc | 51 | 28 | su | 54 | 40 |
| Peoria         | pc | 55 | 27 | su | 53 | 38 |
| Quincy         | pc | 57 | 25 | su | 57 | 42 |
| Rockford       | pc | 46 | 25 | su | 52 | 36 |
| Springfield    | pc | 57 | 27 | su | 55 | 39 |
| Sterling       | pc | 50 | 26 | su | 53 | 37 |
| Indiana        | pc | 59 | 30 | su | 52 | 35 |
| Bloomington    | pc | 64 | 32 | su | 54 | 35 |
| Evansville     | pc | 54 | 32 | su | 51 | 35 |
| Fort Wayne     | pc | 59 | 31 | su | 52 | 36 |
| Indianapolis   | pc | 59 | 31 | su | 52 | 36 |
| Lafayette      | pc | 56 | 28 | su | 52 | 36 |
| South Bend     | pc | 49 | 34 | su | 48 | 34 |
| Wisconsin      | pc | 40 | 27 | su | 47 | 30 |
| Green Bay      | pc | 46 | 28 | su | 50 | 37 |
| Kenosha        | pc | 43 | 28 | su | 50 | 37 |
| La Crosse      | pc | 44 | 28 | su | 54 | 34 |
| Madison        | pc | 43 | 26 | su | 50 | 34 |
| Milwaukee      | pc | 46 | 25 | su | 50 | 36 |
| Wausau         | pc | 35 | 24 | su | 47 | 27 |
| Michigan       | pc | 51 | 33 | su | 48 | 37 |
| Detroit        | pc | 47 | 32 | su | 48 | 37 |
| Grand Rapids   | pc | 43 | 32 | su | 48 | 37 |
| Marquette      | pc | 37 | 30 | su | 42 | 33 |
| St. Ste. Marie | pc | 40 | 30 | su | 41 | 31 |
| Traverse City  | pc | 44 | 35 | su | 44 | 37 |
| Iowa           | pc | 46 | 30 | su | 58 | 40 |
| Ames           | pc | 46 | 30 | su | 58 | 40 |
| Cedar Rapids   | pc | 46 | 27 | su | 54 | 38 |
| Des Moines     | pc | 48 | 29 | su | 58 | 42 |
| Dubuque        | pc | 45 | 26 | su | 53 | 36 |
| El Paso        | cl | 66 | 53 | su | 60 | 52 |

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

| SAT./SUN.        | FC | HI | LO | FC | HI | LO |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Albany           | pc | 67 | 46 | su | 65 | 49 |
| Albuquerque      | pc | 67 | 46 | su | 64 | 46 |
| Amarillo         | pc | 66 | 40 | su | 62 | 44 |
| Anchorage        | pc | 48 | 44 | su | 51 | 40 |
| Asheville        | sh | 63 | 35 | su | 54 | 35 |
| Aspen            | su | 58 | 31 | su | 58 | 32 |
| Atlanta          | sh | 67 | 42 | su | 63 | 41 |
| Atlanta City     | pc | 66 | 45 | su | 63 | 40 |
| Austin           | sh | 65 | 35 | su | 69 | 53 |
| Baltimore        | pc | 59 | 36 | su | 54 | 40 |
| Birmingham       | pc | 70 | 41 | su | 62 | 37 |
| Birmingham       | pc | 66 | 42 | su | 63 | 42 |
| Bismarck         | su | 50 | 35 | su | 59 | 34 |
| Burlington       | pc | 59 | 35 | su | 40 | 31 |
| Butte            | pc | 65 | 43 | su | 48 | 34 |
| Brownsville      | sh | 80 | 72 | su | 78 | 65 |
| Buffalo          | sh | 52 | 34 | su | 44 | 37 |
| Burlington       | pc | 59 | 35 | su | 40 | 31 |
| Charlotte        | sh | 71 | 42 | su | 60 | 38 |
| Charlottesville  | sh | 85 | 53 | su | 63 | 48 |
| Charlottesville  | sh | 57 | 34 | su | 48 | 32 |
| Chattanooga      | pc | 66 | 40 | su | 60 | 40 |
| Cheyenne         | pc | 63 | 40 | su | 68 | 39 |
| Cincinnati       | pc | 60 | 33 | su | 55 | 34 |
| Cleveland        | pc | 54 | 40 | su | 46 | 40 |
| Colorado Springs | pc | 65 | 39 | su | 70 | 42 |
| Columbia MO      | pc | 61 | 31 | su | 59 | 41 |
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| Concord          | pc | 62 | 35 | su | 67 | 40 |
| Corpus Christi   | pc | 73 | 66 | su | 72 | 60 |
| Crawford         | pc | 71 | 51 | su | 64 | 50 |
| Daytona Bch.     | pc | 88 | 69 | su | 75 | 64 |
| Denver           | su | 69 | 44 | su | 72 | 41 |
| Des Moines       | pc | 39 | 29 | su | 52 | 34 |
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| Fairbanks      | ss | 38 | 30 | su | 47 | 31 |
| Fargo          | pc | 41 | 30 | su | 56 | 32 |
| Flagstaff      | pc | 59 | 39 | su | 57 | 37 |
| Fort Myers     | pc | 90 | 71 | su | 87 | 67 |
| Fort Smith     | pc | 71 | 42 | su | 61 | 42 |
| Fresno         | su | 67 | 55 | su | 86 | 53 |
| Grand Junction | pc | 66 | 43 | su | 66 | 44 |
| Great Falls    | su | 73 | 36 | su | 63 | 34 |
| Harrisburg     | pc | 63 | 42 | su | 50 | 36 |
| Hartford       | pc | 63 | 41 | su | 46 | 32 |
| Helena         | su | 69 | 37 | su | 66 | 36 |
| Honolulu       | sh | 84 | 74 | su | 85 | 75 |
| Houston        | sh | 74 | 60 | su | 72 | 55 |
| Int'l Falls    | pc | 34 | 26 | su | 50 | 32 |
| Jackson        | pc | 67 | 48 | su | 64 | 42 |
| Jacksonville   | pc | 91 | 65 | su | 70 | 60 |
| Juneau         | su | 50 | 45 | su | 50 | 43 |
| Kansas City    | su | 62 | 36 | su | 63 | 46 |
| Las Vegas      | pc | 80 | 62 | su | 74 | 57 |
| Lexington      | sh | 60 | 32 | su | 52 | 34 |
| Lincoln        | su | 59 | 33 | su | 69 | 41 |
| Little Rock    | pc | 71 | 41 | su | 58 | 40 |
| Los Angeles    | su | 89 | 64 | su | 81 | 62 |
| Louisville     | pc | 63 | 35 | su | 55 | 36 |
| Macon          | sh | 78 | 48 | su | 68 | 40 |
| Memphis        | pc | 69 | 40 | su | 58 | 39 |
| Miami          | pc | 86 | 73 | su | 85 | 76 |
| Minneapolis    | pc | 42 | 30 | su | 58 | 33 |
| Mobile         | sh | 85 | 56 | su | 72 | 53 |
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| Norfolk        | pc | 69 | 47 | su | 58 | 41 |
| Omaha          | pc | 55 | 34 | su | 68 | 43 |
| Orlando        | ts | 89 | 72 | su | 65 | 50 |

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| Palm Springs   | su | 90 | 67 | su | 89 | 65 |
| Philadelphia   | pc | 64 | 43 | su | 49 | 36 |
| Phoenix        | pc | 90 | 70 | su | 86 | 66 |
| Pittsburgh     | sh | 55 | 37 | su | 45 | 35 |
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| Raleigh        | pc | 68 | 43 | su | 50 | 38 |
| Rapid City     | su | 62 | 43 | su | 65 | 38 |
| Reno           | su | 73 | 38 | su | 73 | 40 |
| Richmond       | pc | 69 | 44 | su | 57 | 36 |
| Rochester      | sh | 54 | 34 | su | 42 | 34 |
| Rochester      | sh | 54 | 34 | su | 42 | 34 |
| Sacramento     | su | 85 | 48 | su | 84 | 46 |
| Salem, Ore.    | pc | 75 | 43 | su | 75 | 42 |
| Salt Lake City | su | 68 | 46 |    |    |    |

# — eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



JOE ROBBINS/GETTY

Vikings wide receiver Adam Thielen spikes the ball after scoring a touchdown in the fourth quarter against the Packers in a Sept. 16 game in Green Bay. Thielen leads the NFL in catches.

## Hidden talents: Thielen is a rare find for Vikings

BY ADAM KILGORE  
Washington Post

While in Canada for a fishing trip, Josh Herzog drove past the Winnipeg Blue Bombers' stadium. He pulled out his flip phone, snapped a picture and started pecking a text message to his best friend from high school, from back in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.

Herzog had played sports with Adam Thielen since they were little kids; he would one day be the best man in Thielen's wedding. Herzog had watched how Thielen had sprouted a couple of inches since high school, how he'd gotten faster, how he'd started to pile up gaudy receiving stats at Division II Minnesota State. Thielen's dreams had expanded, and now Herzog wanted to send him a slice of encouragement.

"You could be playing here

someday," Herzog wrote, with the picture of the Canadian Football League stadium attached.

"Bro, that would be awesome," Thielen replied.

In the years since playing in the CFL seemed audacious, Thielen has advanced further than anyone imagined. After high school, he received his only scholarship — for \$500 and books from a Division II school — at the 11th hour. After college, he gained notice at a regional combine he paid \$250 to get into. After his first NFL training camp, Thielen passed through waivers and joined the Minnesota Vikings' practice squad. And after five years in the NFL, the lanky kid from Detroit Lakes has morphed into one of the best football players in the world.

Once unknown and undrafted, Thielen, 28, is a reigning Pro Bowler still on the ascent. The \$27

million contract he signed last year now counts as a remarkable bargain for the Vikings. Thielen leads the NFL with 58 catches, which puts him on pace to break Marvin Harrison's single-season record of 143. He also leads with 712 yards, five more than Julio Jones and 55 clear of third-place DeAndre Hopkins. Thielen has recorded at least 100 yards in all six Vikings games, the longest streak to begin a season since 1961.

"It's exciting and emotional at the same time," Peter Thielen, Adam's father, said. "Sometimes, you get emotional, you're just excited and happy for him and everything else."

As evaluators missed him for a decade, Thielen forged ahead with daily improvement and quiet, unwavering belief. Back home during college, Thielen was out with friends in Detroit Lakes

when he ran into a linebacker from North Dakota who was bragging about an upcoming pro day, how he was headed to the NFL. When Thielen replied he'd play in the NFL someday, too, "the guy literally laughed at him," Herzog said. Nobody is laughing anymore.

"The seriousness of how Adam has been taken through a lot of his career, the credibility, I think it's been a big motivator for him," said Todd Hoffner, Thielen's first coach at Minnesota State. "I think a driving force has just been his providing proof that he belongs, and he can be one of the best players in the NFL."

Now that Thielen stands at the highest echelon of his sport, there are two obvious questions. How could one of the most talented players in the NFL have been so overlooked? And what convinced

Thielen he could make it? The answers to both threaded through his path.

Thielen was young for his grade in high school, just 16 years old at the start of his senior season two-a-days. Thielen stood 6 feet and weighed 160 pounds and, coaches estimate, ran the 40-yard dash in 4.9 seconds on a good day.

"I don't really blame any of the (college) coaches for not really looking at him," Herzog said. "He had the skills it took, but he just physically didn't have it. You couldn't predict he was going to get to 6-3, 200 pounds. At the college level, he wasn't going to cut it. He hadn't developed physically."

Thielen, though, possessed natural athletic gifts. As a sharpshooting guard, he set Detroit

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# eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE



CARLOS GONZALEZ/TNS

The Vikings' Adam Thielen, who is on a record pace for receiving yards this season, hauls in a 3-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Kirk Cousins during a victory over the Eagles.

## Thielen showing some hidden talent

*Thielen, from Previous Page*

Lakes High's all-time scoring record. He played summer league baseball, just because. He played to about a 5 handicap on the Detroit Lakes state championship golf team, "and he didn't play a lot of golf," Detroit Lakes athletic director Rob Nielsen said. Thielen jokes these days about joining the tour after his football career.

Detroit Lakes used a run-heavy, split-back offense. When they passed, they'd play-action and heave it deep to Thielen, knowing he'd somehow come down with the ball. His coaches gaped at one another and ask, after Thielen had pinned a ball to his leg or snared one behind his back, "Did you see that catch?" Thielen worked for Herzog's family's roofing company in the summer, and Herzog would be amazed how every time he tossed something down to him from the roof, Thielen would catch it.

"What we saw every day, it's hard to sell that to people who just see he's not fast," said Nielsen, an assistant coach for Detroit Lakes when Thielen played.

When high school ended, Thielen told Herzog he was 98 percent sure he was going to Concordia, a Division III school in Moorhead, Minnesota, where coaches had assured him he could play basketball and football. Before he made a final choice, Thielen played in a Minnesota high school football all-star game. Minnesota State's coaches attended practice the week leading up to the game. Flint Motschenbacher, Thielen's head coach at Detroit Lakes, knew one of the assistants. "Nobody's on this guy," Motschenbacher told him. "You should take a chance."

Hoffner offered Thielen what he called the "Maverick 500" — a \$500 scholarship. Concordia couldn't offer scholarships as a Division III school. Thielen accepted Hoffner's offer.

Aaron Keen, now the offensive coordinator at Eastern Michigan, met Thielen when he arrived at Minnesota State Thielen's junior season. He found a "football junkie" who would sit for hours with quarterbacks, studying until he understood how his routes would look through their eyes, regardless of the defensive coverage.

"He would get banged up and bruised up in practice because he would go so darn hard," Keen said. "He had a phenomenal senior year. He was unstoppable for us."

After his senior season, Thielen



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Adam Thielen (19), who could only get a \$500 Division II scholarship in college, signed a \$27 million contract last year, when he had 91 receptions for 1,276 yards. He leads the league in both categories this season.

contemplated his future. During the season, he would mention to his parents he wanted to pursue football further, perhaps in Canada or Germany. Minnesota State coaches unsuccessfully tried to convince bigger local schools to let Thielen join their pro days. Over lunch one day, Thielen told his parents he planned to go a regional combine.

"I was a little surprised," Peter Thielen said. "I said, 'What is it?'"

The NFL Combine has become a spectacle, broadcast live as the entire industry converges on Indianapolis. It is a big deal. An NFL regional combine is decidedly not. Eight cities host tryouts for anybody who wants to fork over \$250 to do drills in front of NFL scouts. Thielen decided he would attend the one in Chicago. His father cut a check to cover the fee.

A former college teammate, Tommy Langford, had worked with professional trainers when he tried out for pro scouts. From experience he knew Thielen would need help, and he also knew Thielen didn't have money for a private trainer. So for six weeks, Langford worked nights at a Freightliner and taught Thielen new techniques during the day.

At Minnesota State, coaches cared more about quickness than top-end speed, so they never timed players in the 40-yard dash. But the currency of NFL scouts is the 40, especially for players who

didn't face top competition.

"If you run a slow 40, they don't even look at your film," Langford said. "It really was make or break."

Even breathing mattered. Thielen learned how to breath in deeply before the start, then let it all out at the start and breathe two or three more times during the sprint.

As he trained and finished classes, Thielen kept an eye on career options in case football didn't work out. He interviewed for a job in dental equipment sales, and when the rep asked him his dream job, he replied, "Playing in the NFL." Both laughed.

"If I'm being real honest with you, I was trying to get him to be my graduate assistant receiver coach," Keen said. "I told him, 'I'm going to save this spot for you.' He would have been a hell of a football coach. I kept saving it. It never did get filled."

Thielen, Langford and another friend drove to the combine in Chicago. When they arrived, Langford and their friend learned only players could enter. They sat in the hotel room and refreshed the combine website over and over, waiting for Thielen's 40 time to show up. He had trained six weeks, and a tenth of a second could mean the launching of a career or starting over. They hit refresh again, and finally a time popped up.

It showed 4.45.

"You would have thought we won the Super Bowl when it was a 4.4," Langford said. "The biggest relief for Adam was knowing, no matter what, he did everything he could to make the National Football League."

For months, Thielen had eaten nothing but healthy food. To celebrate, the trio went out in Chicago for deep dish and beers. One sprint had changed his life.

The NFL invited Thielen to a bigger combine in Texas, at AT&T Stadium. Four times a week, Thielen drove 90 minutes each way from Mankato to the Twin Cities to work out at Englebert Training Systems with trainer Ryan Englebert. In Texas, after another fast 40, scouts from the Carolina Panthers and San Francisco 49ers told him, "We're interested."

The Vikings invited him to their rookie minicamp. He played well enough to bump another wideout off the 90-man roster. In summer, the Vikings benched him for the final two preseason games, not wanting to showcase him, so he could pass waivers and end up on their practice squad.

Thielen kept working. In practice, coaches would yell, "That's an NFL route!" after watching him. He played almost exclusively on special teams in 2015, but he told Herzog he would be the best receiver on the team. In 2016, he

caught 69 passes. In 2017, he caught 98 for more than 1,200 yards. This fall, he might be the best receiver in football.

"I know he doesn't think there's a ball he can't catch, for sure," Vikings coach Mike Zimmer told reporters this week. "That's how he is in practice every day. He laid out in practice the other day and goes, 'Why did I do that?' He comes over and talks to me during games about stuff that's going on and it's always about, 'These guys can't guard me.'"

Thielen's skill and work earned him his lofty place in the NFL, but the serendipity required along the way raises a question: How many Adam Thielen are out there selling dental equipment or climbing the small-college coaching ranks?

If Minnesota State coaches hadn't taken a flier at the high school all-star game, Thielen would have spent winters playing hoops at Concordia rather than honing his routes and improving his speed. If the Vikings didn't hold training camp at Minnesota State, they may have taken a chance on a different minicamp long shot.

"If he goes to that combine and runs a 4.5, you never hear about Adam Thielen," Nielsen said. "That's really the only thing that got him his shot."

Maybe, though, there aren't more like him. It took doggedness for Thielen to attend the combine, and if that didn't work out, he would have tried something else. His natural athletic skills, while not obvious, are special. And eventually, his speed and strength caught up.

"There's a ton of guys like that," Langford said. "Adam separates himself from those guys because he finds a way."

Work, luck, resilience, opportunity - it all came together to make Thielen a wide receiver on the team he grew up loving. As a boy, he pretended he was Randy Moss and Cris Carter and Jake Reed. Now, small-town Minnesota kids pretend they're Adam Thielen.

His son is a millionaire now, but Peter Thielen still works in construction. He raises metal buildings — residential, commercial, garages, whatever. It's a busy time of year, trying to finish jobs before the Minnesota winter rushes in. As he was driving to a site, he tried to explain what it is like to see everything that has happened.

"It brings tears to your eyes sometimes," he said.

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**EXPERT REVIEW: 2019 HYUNDAI NEXO**



# Hyundai Nexo represents the future of mobility, today

By Christian Wardlaw, New York Daily News

Hyundai is launching the new 2019 Nexo fuel-cell electric vehicle (FCEV) at exactly the right time.

On Oct. 8, 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a comprehensive report on global warming, and the TLDR is that unless governments, businesses, and people take swift and definitive action to curb their impact on the environment, we're all screwed.

Among the things each of us can do to reduce our individual carbon footprint is to drive a greener car. You know, something like the 2019 Hyundai Nexo. It emits nothing but water vapor from its exhaust outlet, and it actually cleans the air of dust and particulates as you drive.

Sounds great, doesn't it? Too bad the infrastructure to fuel the Nexo doesn't exist, except in the Los Angeles and San Francisco areas. And until planned hydrogen fueling stations open in New England and the mid-Atlantic region, California is the only place where you can get a Nexo.

**Essentially, owning an FCEV goes something like this:**

- Fill hydrogen tank at a hydrogen fuel station, a process that closely resembles pumping gas or diesel.
- Drive hundreds of miles, just like you would in a gas- or diesel-powered vehicle.
- Refill hydrogen tank when it gets close to empty, just like you would with a gas- or diesel-powered vehicle.

With an FCEV, you never need to worry about plugging the car in to charge it, or finding an open charging station if your battery is getting close to its minimum state of charge. The ownership experience is almost exactly like having a vehicle that runs on gas or diesel, except there are a few extra steps when using a hydrogen pump, the handle of which gets quite cold and forms ice crystals when used.

Oh, and you don't need to get an oil change. Instead, in the case of the Nexo, the air filter needs replacement every 12,000 miles or so.

The problem, of course, is that few hydrogen stations exist, even in California. I live in a Los Angeles suburb, and the closest one to my house is 19.9 miles away. Meanwhile, the closest gas station is a few blocks away.

Additionally, because that hydrogen station has a monopoly on fueling the western end of the San Fernando Valley and Calabasas, the cost of the fuel is just too dang high.

Furthermore, aside from the new Hyundai Nexo, the only other FCEVs you can obtain are the Honda Clarity Fuel Cell and the Toyota Mirai. Not exactly a smorgasbord of choices.

Clearly, the FCEV revolution is in its infancy. Hyundai, Honda, and Toyota have proven that the technology is ready, but until the infrastructure exists on a broader scale, and more car companies develop and offer them, widespread adoption of FCEVs won't happen.

That's too bad, considering that the IPCC says we've only got 12 years to chop CO2 emissions by 45% from 2010 levels, or we're all screwed.

But go ahead. Roll some coal. You don't live on the coast or within the Arctic Circle, anyway. Global warming is somebody else's problem, isn't it?

Or is it?

**How a fuel-cell vehicle works**

You're probably wondering how an FCEV works. The short and simple story goes like this:

Hydrogen fuel from the storage tank (or tanks) mixes with oxygen brought in from the outside air, creating a chemical reaction in what is called a fuel-cell stack

The product of this chemical reaction is electricity and water

The electricity is fed through a battery to electrically power the vehicle

The water is emitted from the exhaust pipe in the form of water vapor

Brilliant, right? Imagine if everyone owned and drove FCEVs. You'd never go to a gas station again. Instead, you'd go to a hydrogen station.

No more "drill, baby, drill." No more oil spills, coating wildlife in the muck. No more oil rigs ruining the view from the beach, and depositing sticky droplets

of crude on the bottom of your feet. No more lazy DIY oil changers putting used oil in landfills instead of into a recycling container.

There is a flaw, though. Currently, only a third of the hydrogen fuel produced in California is from renewable sources, which meets the state mandate. Nevertheless, the processes for developing hydrogen fuel at scale are getting greener, and the end product coming out of an FCEV's tailpipe is undeniably healthier for the environment.

**The first attractive fuel-cell vehicle**

Maybe you're already familiar with FCEVs. You know about the Honda Clarity Fuel Cell. You know about the Toyota Mirai. You might even know about the Hyundai Nexo. So, which one should you get?

Hyundai is first to market with a good-looking FCEV. It doesn't look weird at all. It looks like an upscale crossover SUV, though because the Nexo is unavailable with an all-wheel-drive system I can't refer to it as such. Call it a high-riding 5-door hatchback, or multi-purpose vehicle, instead.

Chris Chapman, Hyundai's senior chief designer, wanted the Nexo to look smooth, seamless, and effortless. Taking inspiration from stones skipping across a still pond and desert southwest landscapes shaped by wind and water erosion, he and his team have succeeded in developing an attractive and appealing FCEV – an industry first, in my view.

Inside, in addition to employing lots of bio-friendly materials, the Nexo's interior aims for a flight deck driving environment combined with a light, airy, social environment for passengers. Digital instrumentation and a new widescreen infotainment display resemble the approach Mercedes-Benz has taken, but with the center screen canted toward the driver.

Blue Link services are standard with the Nexo, including a way to find the nearest hydrogen station and program directions to it. A new Nuance text-to-speech system enhances the voice recognition system for improved communications on the road, so put the phone down already.

You'll be inspired to use voice commands for as many functions as is possible anyway, because the Nexo's bridge-style center console is littered with buttons and knobs, the markings for which are difficult to see due to the driver's viewing angle and low contrast levels with the gray background color.

Adding confusion to the 'flight deck,' Hyundai takes a new approach to electronic transmission controls, arranging them in what I'd call a cubist flower petal pattern. During a morning driving the car, which included a short photo shoot requiring lots of 3-point turns, I did not get used to them, but perhaps an owner will over time.

A full slate of active driver assistance and collision avoidance technologies is also standard for the Nexo, including both camera- and sonar-based blind spot monitoring systems. I prefer sonar-based systems with warnings depicted on or near the mirror, but since the cameras work for both sides of the car and the video feed is shown within the digital instrumentation display, Hyundai clearly improves on the right-side-only LaneWatch system in the Honda Clarity.

**Comfort and cargo on par with a compact crossover**

If familiar with a compact crossover SUV then you can imagine how roomy the Nexo is because it strikes me as about the same size.

Front seat comfort is good, thanks in part to standard heated and ventilated cushions, and because the Nexo sits high like a crossover you easily slide laterally into and out of the vehicle. I found the wide center console 'flight deck' somewhat intrusive against my right leg, but I tend to man-spread while driving. From either front seat, you enjoy a clear view out, and with Limited trim a panoramic sunroof bathes the cabin in natural light.

I rode in the back seat for about 20 miles, and it was quite comfortable. The cushion sits tall off the floor, providing excellent thigh support, and both leg and foot room are generous. Hyundai supplies plenty of front seat-track travel, though, so if the folks sitting up front decide to power themselves all the way back, the hard plastic front seatback panels can crunch the knees of adults.

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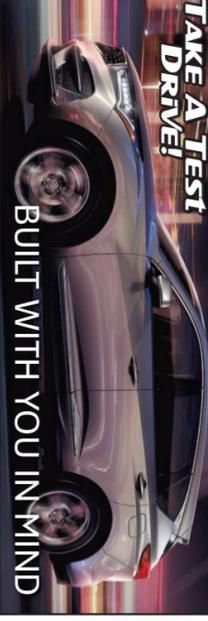
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*“What is the essence of life? To serve others  
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Volunteering is one of the most selfless actions anyone can take. In a world where it can seem like there is nothing but bad news, the stories of people who help others are inspiring to hear. ■ That is why we put together this section. The stories here are about your friends and neighbors, people of all ages and backgrounds, who have one very important thing in common: They give the gift of time to help people and institutions stay on track. ■ Included in this section are people like Mary Gornik Carmody, who collects clothing for needy veterans at Midwest Veterans Closet in North Chicago; Isha Srinivasan, who tutors young children in STEM topics in Naperville; and Delinda Herod, who fosters community engagement in the Fairmont neighborhood in Lockport Township. ■ These people, and many more, tell their inspiring stories on the pages of this section. We hope you will enjoy reading them.

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**On cover:** Clockwise from top left — Tyrell Anderson, **KYLE TELECHAN/POST-TRIBUNE**; Cynthia Hernandez, **RAFAEL GUERRERO/COURIER-NEWS**; Harold Herzog, **JUDY BUCHENOT/NAPERVILLE SUN**; Delinda Herod, **SUSAN DEMAR LAFFERTY/DAILY SOUTHTOWN**; Frankie Zepeda, **FRANKIE ZEPEDA**; Vickie Marasco; **MARK KODIAK UKENA/NEWS-SUN**



# Tyrell Anderson

Gary group Decay Devils want ‘youth  
to come back and invest in our city’

BY MEREDITH COLIAS-PETE | Post-Tribune

As an urban explorer, seeing beauty in abandoned structures evolved into looking to revive one of Gary’s iconic landmarks for Tyrell Anderson.

As president of the Decay Devils, a Gary-based group of photographers, artists, urban explorers and volunteers, Anderson has helped spearhead volunteer efforts to clean up various areas of downtown Gary.

“My main focus is the youth,” he said. “I remember how the city was when I grew up. Although it was not as colorful (with murals), it might not have been in the best condition, most of the schools were open.”

Since the early 2000s, Gary closed more than 30 schools, including several historic high schools like Horace Mann, Emerson, Lew Wallace, and Wirt-Emerson. After setting an IRS tax lien, the school district put 33 properties on the auction block this summer.

We had “school rivalries that we could hold onto,” Anderson, 32, said, a U.S. Steel



Left: Decay Devils president Tyrell Anderson poses for a photo in front of Gary's Union Station, where the group will soon be hosting a clean-up effort in an attempt to preserve the historical landmark. Right: Anderson works to clear debris inside Gary's Union Station.

KYLE TELECHAN/POST-TRIBUNE (LEFT); TYRELL ANDERSON PHOTO (RIGHT)

***“We’re still rooting for the city to get a greenlight and add funding to bring that ruins garden to live.”***



production coordinator. “A lot of things that we did as a city don’t exist now.”

With about 14 members, the group has worked to spearhead volunteer-led efforts: turning Gary’s Union Station into a public art space and cleaning up the city’s Gateway Park next door.

Once a thriving city built on the steel industry, Gary’s population has more than halved since the 1960s. Today, the city is plagued with thousands of vacant homes. A once heavily populated downtown business district on Broadway Avenue is littered with blocks of long-vacant buildings.

A 2015 survey by the University of Chicago showed Gary had nearly 7,000 vacant homes, over 500 abandoned commercial structures and more than 12,000 blighted structures overall.

Anderson said what he and others want to bring back is that “wonderful type of emotion when they think of Gary, instead of, ‘It’s just blight, it’s just empty.’”

Other artists groups including the Calumet Artists Residency, based in the city’s Miller section, have also put their mark on the city — spray painting poems on boarded up plywood down the Broadway Avenue corridor.

“I’m trying to create an atmosphere that is enduring,” Anderson said. We want “youth to come back and invest in our city.”

For the Decay Devils, an initial 2015 plan to take over Gary’s Lew Wallace High School, which closed the prior year, fell through.

The group said it would board up the buildings and clean them. Eventually, it hoped to charge for tours, host an urban

garden and rent out the gym and auditorium.

The school district, however, had safety and liability issues with the plan and it was rejected.

Gary’s city government was more receptive to their next idea — cleaning up the long-neglected Union Station, while turning it into a public art monument.

For decades, it sat abandoned, hidden under the Interstate-90 overpass, near 2nd and Broadway Avenue, just outside U.S. Steel’s entrance.

Designed by Chicago architect M.A. Lang, Union Station was a two-story, steel-reinforced neoclassical building built by U.S. Steel in 1910 as a gift to the city it founded in 1906. The design was made popular by the World’s Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1899.

Before the widespread use of automobiles and highways, newcomers to Gary arrived as railroad passengers. They disembarked from the station directly onto Broadway to work in the steel industry. The station itself was used into the 1970s. After it closed, several city proposals to repurpose it fell apart.

In January 2017, Gary’s Redevelopment Commission approved a resolution that allowed the group to legally work on the property.

“This is sort of a no-brainer from our perspective,” Gary Redevelopment Commission Executive Director Joe Van Dyk said then. Since the group pitched the idea on its own, there was no reason “why we wouldn’t do everything to encourage that.”

The group obtained an initial grant of

\$22,000 through the Merrillville-based Legacy Foundation, awarding funds through the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

When they put out a call for volunteers, nearly 80 showed in blight-plagued downtown Gary in April 2017 to pull weeds and dig up bricks around the property.

Over time, the group installed lighting, benches and boarded up the lower level of windows with street art murals.

It also collaborated with a graduate architecture class from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign that pitched ideas on what could be built onto the existing structure for community use.

Future plans are still under development, Anderson said.

“For us, we think it’s great not just for the Union (Station),” he said. “The exposure that little corner of the city has allowed the city to be a little more flexible (partnering) with the arts.”

In May, the group organized another cleanup at the city’s oldest park: Gateway Park, located on 3rd and Broadway Avenue, immediately south of Union Station.

About three dozen volunteers showed up to clear brush and plant trees.

The park was first proposed by the Gary Commerce Club in 1924 as a “front door” to the city on the downtown district’s northern end, according to historical records.

Gateway Park’s east end includes the Gary Land Company building, the oldest building in Gary. The house once served as city hall and the post office when it was built in 1906. It was moved to Gateway Park after the Gary Historical Society purchased it.

They are exploring plans to repaint the Gary Land Company building and possibly sandblast and repaint the the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Co. 765 locomotive that also sits at the park.

The group will hold a “house party” with music and food outside Union Station in October.

For now, Anderson said they are also watching a proposed project to turn the property surrounding the iconic abandoned City Methodist Church into a ruins garden.

“We’re still rooting for the city to get a greenlight and add funding to bring that ruins garden to live,” he said. “For the downtown area, we think it will be a big difference.”

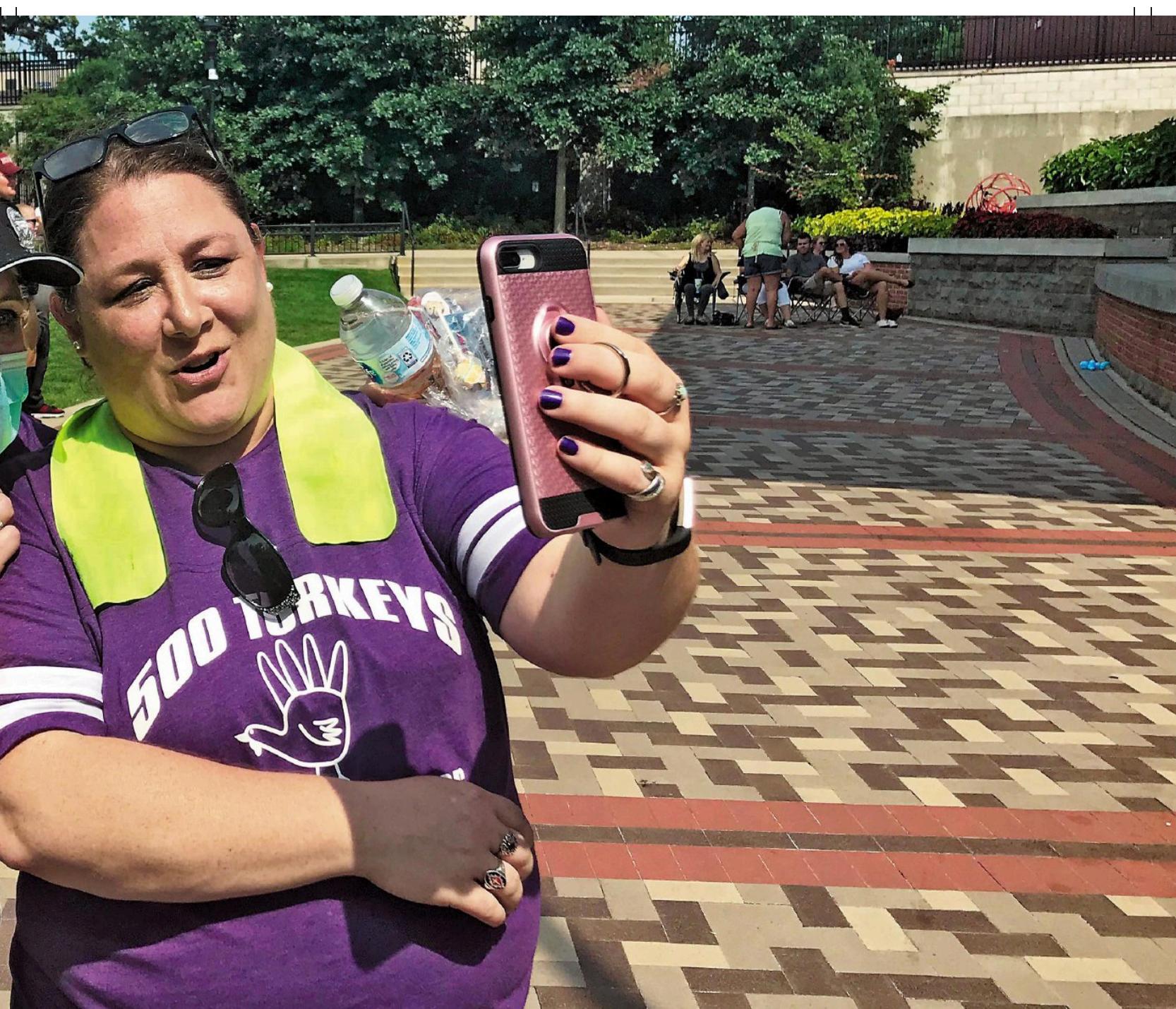
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# Jeni Bolton

Feeding thousands through 500 Turkeys ministry in Northwest Indiana

BY JERRY DAVICH | Post-Tribune



Jeni Bolton wiped sweat from her face and smiled proudly.

“It’s a hot one today but it’s worth it. All the money raised here will help us feed hundreds of families this Thanksgiving,” Bolton said on a hot, sticky day in early August. “Our goal this year is to feed 1,500 families, but I believe we will feed more than that.”

Bolton and 80 other volunteers battled oppressive heat to host a fundraiser for her “500 Turkeys” ministry outreach program, founded nearly a decade ago. The event, featuring live music, dozens of vendors, and hundreds of prayers, was held at Central Park Plaza in downtown Valparaiso.

“Things are going just great despite the challenges,” Bolton said, her voice breaking with emotion. “Excuse me, but I still get emotional talking about this ministry.”

In 2009, Bolton attended a Youth for

Christ conference as a church leader, accepting a “Kingdom Worker” call to duty card. Only after she prayed, she opened it. It stated, “Organize a food drive for Thanksgiving this year. Make it your goal to raise enough food and funds to feed 500 families.”

She was dumbfounded. “I thought, ‘500 families?’” Bolton recalled. “How could I ever do that?”

She prayed again for two weeks, then shared her daunting mission with a few friends. Afterward, she received a \$20 bill with the word “turkey” written on it. Bolton knew it was the beginning of her new ministry. To this day, she still has no idea where that first \$20 came from.

“It was a sign from God, telling me that I won’t have to do it alone,” said Bolton, 47, a member of Life Bridge Christian Church in Valparaiso.

Jeni Bolton, on the right, founder of the 500 Turkeys outreach ministry, records a Facebook live video with volunteer Kelly Crowe Asbell, who wears a medical mask to protect her immune system after receiving a double lung transplant earlier this year.

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***“Things are going just great despite the challenges.”***

That year, she ended up giving out 500 turkeys to hungry families across Northwest Indiana. It took more than 500 volunteers, but together they did it, even raising enough money to also give each family \$5. The next year, they matched their inaugural effort. In 2011, they upped the challenge to include two of every side item, totaling 1,000 items plus 500 turkeys.

“Every year we’ve been able to expand the ministry,” Bolton said while checking on vendors at the August fundraiser.

The number of benefitting families has risen each year, from 600 families to 700 to 900. More donors, a larger church and volunteers came out of nowhere for the “Gobble Up Hunger” program as each Thanksgiving neared.

In 2014, a new ministry outreach effort, Clothes & Prayers, was added on to the program, which gives away free clothing to the turkey meal recipients. Two years later, more than 1,300 families were fed, not only with food but also with fellowship.

In 2017, more than 55,000 total items were donated, including hygiene products, toiletries, and enough food to pack each box with 30 edible items. Plus a Bible.

“Praise God, we’re able to feed 1,500 families this year,” Bolton told hundreds of recipients last November before the doors opened at Valparaiso Nazarene Church.

“We’re so happy that you’re here,” Bolton told the families. “We believe each of you were brought here from God. We want to feed your bellies and feed your hearts as well. For each of you, today will mean something different.”

One of the recipients was Jenna Treco, who arrived at 6 a.m. that day with her 10-year-old son, Dylan.

“This ministry will give us a real Thanksgiving,” said Treco, of Portage, who was going through a divorce.

On that cold day, a long line of families waited in the rain to

receive their gifted turkey, related food items, needed clothes, and welcoming words from dozens of volunteers. The items came in a box with each family’s number on it and a handwritten message from volunteers. One note stated, “Dear family, it was me last year. This year I get to help! It gets better! XOXO.”

“We’re here to love them, feed them and pray with them,” said one volunteer, Kelly Crowe Asbell, who also volunteered her time at the fundraiser in August.

“This ministry is so important to me,” Asbell told the crowd from the park’s stage at the August fundraiser.

Earlier this year, Asbell was the recipient of a double lung transplant after a lifetime of suffering from cystic fibrosis. She was forced to wear a surgical mask throughout the fundraiser to safeguard her compromised immune system. It didn’t stop her from spreading the gospel about 500 Turkeys.

Bolton showed her appreciation by hugging Asbell while recording and posting a Facebook live video during the fundraiser.

“I truly believe in what we’re doing here,” Bolton said.

When she’s not working with 500 Turkeys, Bolton is a training manager for McDonald’s, even enticing Ronald McDonald to appear at events for the ministry. She’s been with the fast food giant for 25 years, helping to operate 22 restaurants.

Bolton needed roughly \$25,000 to pay for the turkeys and other food items to distribute near Thanksgiving this year. On this sweltering August day, she remained faithful that the money would be raised.

“If not on my time, then on God’s time,” Bolton said while personally thanking every volunteer and most guests.

A few minutes later, a man walked up to her with a \$500 check for the 500 Turkeys ministry.

“Jeni truly changed my life,”



JERRY DAVICH/POST-TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Top: Jeni Bolton poses with Ronald McDonald at an event for her 500 Turkeys ministry in November 2017. Above: Jeni Bolton receives a \$500 check from Jim Jacobsen on Aug. 5 at Central Park Plaza in Valparaiso for her 500 Turkeys outreach ministry.

said Jim Jacobsen, an insurance agent from Dyer. “She changed how I look at things. I now want to help people by feeding them, similar to what she is doing.”

He is doing this on a routine basis at Christian Valley Mis-

sionary Baptist Church in Gary. “All because of Jeni and 500 Turkeys,” he said.

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# Pamela Bradley

## Building trust between kids, police officers

BY MEGAN JONES  
Beacon-News

Pamela Bradley continued to see the same patterns repeating: juveniles moving in and out of the system like a revolving door.

The Aurora resident had been working in the Kane County State's Attorney's Office Community Prosecution Unit, providing her an opportunity to interact with residents.

She saw that many of them were afraid of police officers and did not have a lot of respect for them.

That's when she had a vision.

Bradley created the Law Enforcement Youth Academy, a seven-week program for teens to interact with local police officers, attorneys, deputies and FBI and Drug Enforcement Administration agents.

The program began in 2002 with seven kids signed up. And now, 396 have graduated from the program, with many joining an alumni club. Students have gone on to join the military, become nurses, get into universities they never dreamed of attending. One serves as an international attorney.

"I never thought that I'd be doing this for 16 years off a vision, so every year at graduation I get emotional," Bradley, 57, said. "I hope they take away leadership skills, confidence, courage and to know they can succeed in life. We all go through obstacles, but we don't allow those obstacles to cause us to fall. And if we fall, get back up again."

The program runs for three days a week over the summer, and each day students have different tasks, such as listening to guest speakers like a special agent from the DEA, participating in mock traffic stops with the Aurora Police Department or sitting in on court cases.



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Stefani Martinez, Pamela Bradley, Symone Barnes and Derek Blincoe hug during an alumni event for the Law Enforcement Youth Academy held at Parkside Lanes in Aurora.

"My favorite part is seeing a smile on their face as they walk across the stage at graduation," Bradley said. "And then hearing the stories of students saying they've enrolled at Waubensee or are interning as a cadet."

Bradley currently works as a paralegal in the child support division and has been working for the State's Attorney's Office for 19 years. She previously served as a longtime employee with the Illinois Department of Corrections juvenile division.

At work, Bradley would go to low-income housing areas and started on the East Side of Aurora, speaking with kids.

"I would see kids like a revolving door and that's where my total compassion came from and having the opportunity to work in the community and see it firsthand," Bradley said. "I wanted to try to get the kids out of that direction."

Bradley is quick to remind others that she couldn't have done it alone, thanking the former Chief of Police Bill

Lawler and former Kane County Sheriff Ken Ramsey and Pat Perez, who embraced her idea and ran with it. She also thanks current chief Kristen Ziman, Kane County State's Attorney Joseph McMahon and the DEA and FBI for allowing agents to spend part of their day teaching.

The summer is a busy time for Bradley: starting off at the Aurora Police Department before 9 a.m. — she comes early for parents who need to drop off their kids before going to work — and staying until 1 p.m. before beginning her regular job at the State's Attorney's Office.

A Chicago native, Bradley has lived in Aurora for almost 40 years, starting when she was 18 years old and came to attend college. She raised her family of three daughters and three grandchildren in Aurora.

Several students keep Bradley's phone number and text her over the years about life updates, with one recently texting to say she had enrolled in col-

lege and "shout out to you for your motivation."

Aurora Police Officer Nikole Petersen helps run the program with Bradley and said each class becomes a family by the end of the course.

"Miss Pam" — what the students call Bradley — has become like a sister to Petersen, she said.

Gabriella Nardone currently works as a police cadet at the Aurora Police Department as she gears up to attend the police academy on Sept. 16.

Nardone, 20, is one of Bradley's success stories. She grew up always wanting to join law enforcement or the military, but she didn't know how to pursue it before joining the youth academy.

"I had doubts at first from people saying I couldn't do it or it'd be dangerous, but I realized it's OK," Nardone said. "I've seen kids come in where they can barely look you in the eye and by the end they are presenting a speech," Nardone said. "They come in with a bad perception of police officers and by the end, they are best friends. It helps kids with their idea of self-worth."

Nardone, who graduated from the academy in 2016, said the program is a life-changer and teaches children how to be confident.

Applications for the program are released during the second week of March and fill up quickly, Bradley said.

The program was originally funded through a federal Weed and Seed Grant and Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns. For the last two years, the program has been funded by the Dunham Foundation, the Aurora Police Department and the Kane County State's Attorney's Office.

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# Paula Carballido

## Flying high for Lake County veterans

BY JIM NEWTON  
News-Sun

Since Lake County Honor Flight's inaugural trip to Washington, D.C., in 2013, more than 250 local veterans have received free weekend trips to the nation's capital to see the monuments honoring their service.

There have been 13 local Honor Flight trips so far. It's likely none of that would have happened without the volunteer work of Paula Carballido, president and executive director of Lake County Honor Flight.

"I love doing it and really, genuinely love to hear from the veterans afterward," Carballido, 35, said. "I feel great because it makes them feel honored," she said.

As president of the North Chicago Exchange Club Board, she co-chaired the founding of the local Honor Flight. In addition to having a full-time job, Carballido spends about 20 volunteer hours a week making the project work, from organizing the outings to joining the veterans on each of the trips.

Carballido said her role and experiences with the Exchange Club led to her devotion to the Honor Flight program.

"While serving as president of the Exchange Club of North Chicago, our partners, the WWII Black Navy Veterans of Great Lakes, and I were inspired to visit Washington, D.C., after the unveiling of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial in 2011," she said.

"From there, the Exchange Club of North Chicago took six local veterans on an honor-flight-like trip to D.C. in April of 2012," Carballido said. "Both trips were eye-opening for me. I learned about our branches of service, our veterans and their service to us all. I knew I would continue this path. It's my call-



LAKE COUNTY HONOR FLIGHT PHOTOS

Above: Korean War Purple Heart veteran Richard Alvarez with Lake County Honor Flight Director Paula Carballido at a welcome home event in North Chicago following an honor flight to Washington, D.C., in October 2017. Right: Carballido with Navy Vietnam veteran Joseph McGrath of Beach Park visit the Pentagon in April of this year during a Lake County Honor Flight trip to Washington, D.C.

ing."

State's Attorney Michael Nerheim served as a volunteer on one of the flights and said it was clear Carballido puts her heart into the work.

"I have had the privilege of volunteering as a guardian on one of Lake County's Honor Flights and have seen Paula in action," Nerheim said. "She is a tremendous leader. She runs the entire operation with equal parts precision and compassion. Most important, she works tirelessly to ensure that those veterans have an amazing experience."

Gurnee Mayor Krysti Kovarik said Carballido and Lake County Honor Flight do an especially good job of including veterans from throughout Lake County in the Honor Flight activities.

"She has helped so many vets in Gurnee," Kovarik said.

Gurnee donates a portion of the proceeds from its Legions of Craft Beer Fest to Lake County Honor Flight.

Lake County Honor Flight serves area World War II, Korea

and Vietnam veterans who wish to take the trip to Washington, where they receive a welcoming reception and a chance to visit the nation's military monuments, as well as the Pentagon and other destinations.

"The whole point of the trip is to make them feel honored and appreciated. Some of them, especially Vietnam veterans, never knew it could be this way," Carballido said.

Carballido said she makes sure at some point during each trip to greet and look each veteran in the eyes, offering hugs if they are wanted. Especially with some of the older veterans, she says it can make for touching moments.

"One veteran told me it was the first real human contact he felt in years," she said.

Carballido said the veterans are always polite and appreciative, and even those who are frail or suffering from combat injuries are eager to not only receive recognition for their actions but also pay tribute to lost comrades at the memorials. "They've taught me so much

about the value of sacrifice," she said.

Following a 2015 Lake County Honor Flight trip, Peter Wirtz, an Army sergeant who fought in Germany and France and supervised German prisoners during World War II, said he was shocked by the reception he got during the trip.

"I couldn't believe the people were so great," Wirtz, of Crystal Lake, said. "There were lines of people at the war memorial in Washington, just waiting to shake my hand."

Carballido said that in addition to help from its volunteer board, Lake County Honor Flight relies on the major donations and support it receives from community groups and individuals, and the devotion of volunteers, known as "guardians," who offer to go along on the trips and help the veterans with getting around and companionship.

"Many of the volunteers return as often as they can; we call them 'super-guardians,'" she said. "There are no paid employees."

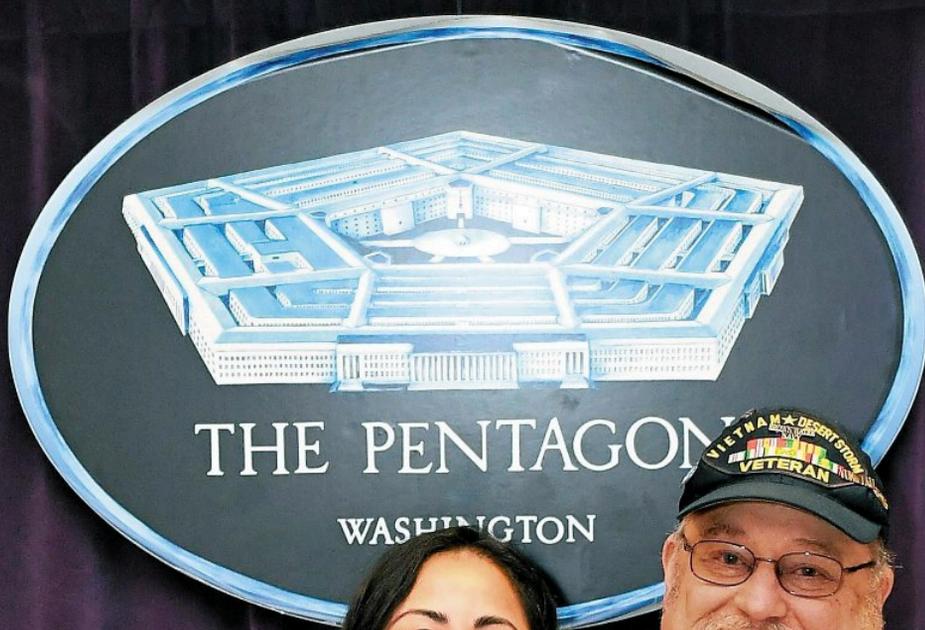
Lake County Honor Flight formally became a nonprofit group in 2015 and is "100 percent funded through donations," Carballido said.

The group makes three trips a year, one each in April, August and October. The trips are followed by public homecoming ceremonies at Veterans Memorial Park in North Chicago.

The maximum number of veterans who can be taken each trip is 23, and most trips average 20. Milwaukee Airport serves as the departure and return site for the veterans, who are taken to the airport by bus.

For more information on Lake County Honor Flight, go to [lakecountyhonorflight.org](http://lakecountyhonorflight.org).

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# Mary Carmody

Giving back to veterans started with one small gesture

BY FRANK ABDERHOLDEN | News-Sun

It was a short moment many years ago — a veteran coming into Waukegan's Park Place, dripping wet, tired and hungry.

Mary Gornik Carmody was there as part of the Lake County Council for Seniors when the man showed up.

"He was so wet. He was just dripping wet," Carmody said.

She immediately felt sympathy for the man.

"He didn't have any money, and he needed to eat. He reminded me of my mom," she said, explaining that her mother and father, Marija Kajfez and Ludvik Gornik, escaped separately from Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, now Slovenia.

"My mom said as a child they lived day to day, with authorities coming in and taking whatever they wanted. Her childhood was all hard work, and coming to America was a beautiful dream," she said.



The veteran asked for food, and they found him some popcorn.

"I gave him the five dollars I had in my pocket," she said.

Later she learned that after he had something to eat he went on to get a part-time job driving a cab.

"We were proud of ourselves that we helped someone out and then we thought maybe we should be helping our veterans," she said, referring to Valerie Herson, who loaned her a large trailer and would later become her North Chicago landlord.

They set it up at the Freedom Farm For Vets at 13155 Hart St., Wadsworth, where John Ress welcomed veterans for a de-stressing experience of hanging out with his horses, chickens and ducks or tending to a garden to harvest whatever they need.

In 2014 Carmody told a reporter that she started Veterans Closet to "pay off the debt

we owe to those who have fought hard and lost much to keep us safe and free." It was a success, but they needed more space and a place more accessible to veterans, where public transportation could be used.

"They're thankful for this service, but really we're thankful for theirs," she said at the time.

That led to 2323 Green Bay Road in North Chicago, just a few blocks from the Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center, Naval Station Great Lakes and two bus stops.

"It's just taken on a life of its own. We serve about 500 veterans a month now," said the 68-year-old.

And it's not just clothes anymore. They got a woman veteran a wedding dress, and they got suits donated for job interviews.

Need resume help? They can do that. Looking for help in accessing veteran

Midwest Veterans Closet President Mary Carmody, middle, chats with veterans at the Antioch VFW Hall fundraiser in Antioch.

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services? They do that too.

They got a donated vehicle from Amy and Antonio Rosales of Beach Park and gave it to Byron Watts of Waukegan. He used to walk more than 90 minutes every day to his third shift job with a popcorn maker.

"It was a surprise to me," said Watts, who suffered a head injury in the Army. Carmody said handing over of the keys was a "watershed" moment at the closet.

"Everyone was tearful," she said. "They were tears of joy, it changed his life completely."

One of their latest offerings has been a food pantry and occasional grocery give-aways in conjunction with the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

"It's been a really great location. We get people from Wisconsin, Indiana and Chicago all the time," she said.

"This weekend St. Rita (of Cacia) High School in Chicago is donating 1,000 suits for veterans," she said of the south side Catholic college preparatory school.

There is also an annual coat drive. Jonathan Petrillo first worked a coat drive a few years ago when he was deputy chief in Vernon Hills. He is now chief of administration for the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

"It started as a localized project," he said, with police departments teaming up with high schools in Vernon Hills, Mundelein and Libertyville where they collected coats at football games.

"We started to get contacts about how other schools and departments could get involved. Grayslake North jumped on right away and then Grayslake Central High School," he said.

"Then it snowballed, from Barrington to Highland Park to Deerfield," he said.

"She (Carmody) is a wonderful person. Her compassion is real, and her commitment is amazing. Her and her staff are very caring," Petrillo said.

"She's one of the best advocates that I know of that takes care of our veterans. She is appreciated more than she knows," he said.



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Mary Carmody of the Midwest Veterans Closet hands Army veteran Elmwood Bennett a Valentine's Day goodie bag filled with sweets on Feb. 14.



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Thalia Lopez, 16, a Waukegan High School student was helping out with her mother, Ashley Castorena, a Navy veteran, on the food truck line. Mary Carmody said they frequently help at the closet.

North Chicago Mayor Leon Rockingham was a classmate of Carmody's, and he said she always seemed to have the urge to give back.

"This is one of her passions in life, like photography," he said, referring to how she used to work for the News-Sun, then the sheriff's office and later in hospital marketing before she retired.

"I think she has done an excellent job

with the Veterans Closet," he said, "From the city side we support them in their effort. This is her passion in life," Rockingham said.

Carmody, who likes to say every day is Veteran's Day at Midwest Veterans Closet, said she would like to team up with Leslie Habjan, maker of Aunt Winnie's hand-made cookie dough of Lake Bluff, and start a commercial kitchen for training.

"Made in America by veterans, it doesn't get any better than that. It can give them marketable skills in the food industry and help them get their confidence back," she said.

"Now we're seeing younger vets, and a lot of them are in real bad shape. But they feel comfortable here. It's all about building relationships," she said.

"If you don't have basic needs met, nothing else matters," she said.

Volunteers continue to step up, like Lake Villa police and the Illinois Council of Police who raised money through a Veteran's Fun Run Boot Camp and students from the Rosalind Franklin University in North Chicago who offered to do chores.

"They scrubbed the toilets, they painted the coat room, scrubbed and painted the floor in the food pantry and reorganized it," she said.

"It was a beautiful thing to see," she said.

Without her volunteers she knows the job would be overwhelming.

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# David Cleveland

## School ties connect to varied opportunities

**BY DAVID SHAROS**  
Naperville Sun

Lisa Polomsky, principal of Elmwood Elementary School, says she doesn't know what makes former third grade teacher David Cleveland such a magnet when it comes to his passion, but she is thrilled so many are reaping the benefits.

"I've known Dave six years and he handles our running club here at school and usually beats me and our custodial staff into the building every morning," Polomsky said. "The kids run from 7:30 to 8 a.m., and while we have over 20 clubs here at school, Dave recruits parents for the running club, and it's consistently the biggest one we have. He's the Pied Piper when it comes to recruiting volunteers, and is one of the most positive people I know."

A resident of Naperville since 1983, Cleveland, 66, said his passion for volunteer work has been building for over 40 years and credits inspiration to sources ranging from his grandmother to his work in the classroom.

"There was a fundraiser at Elmwood School called 'Jump Rope for Heart' and I got involved in that as my dad died from a heart attack, and it was something I kept going for about 20 years," Cleveland said. "I've always had a connection to it, and once we had about 200 kids involved. We raised thousands of dollars over time."

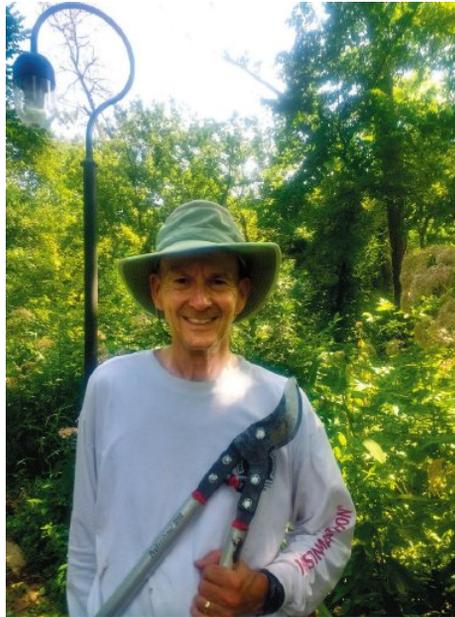
Despite retiring from teaching in 2010, Cleveland's tie to the school and other organizations throughout Naperville has continued. He launched the school's running club the same year he retired — an offshoot from his passion for running which began back when he was 31 years old.

"At this point in my life, I've run over 40 marathons and have done races in Tokyo, Berlin, Chicago and New York, and this fall I'm planning to go to Australia," he said. "My goal is to eventually run a race on all seven continents."

Cleveland continues to serve as a lunchroom monitor at his former school — a volunteer job that is now 46 years old.

The Naperville Park District likewise enjoys Cleveland's services as both a conservationist and as one of its Trailmasters.

Lynette Hoole, volunteer manager for the Park District, said Cleveland has put in over 200 service hours in the program that



DAVID CLEVELAND PHOTO

David Cleveland is an active volunteer in Naperville whose work includes conservation and maintaining the Riverwalk area for the Park District.

helps keep the Riverwalk from being overrun with non-native species of plants.

"I oversee more than 1,000 volunteers, which include all the people that coach and do other things, but Dave is probably in the top 10 to 15 percent of those who give their time to so many things," Hoole said. "I know he's also active in Kiwanis, has done things with crosswalk safety, and takes notice of things in the environment and helps protect it. He helps with river sweeps of the DuPage River, and he also helps as race director for the Naperville Marathon and the children's division of the race."

Tiffani Picco, a park specialist who oversees the Trailmasters program, said Cleveland was lured into the volunteer effort after trying to eradicate non-native plants in the woods near his house.

"Lynette found out about what Dave was doing and reached out to him to see if he wanted to be part of the Trailmasters program," Picco explained. "Like all the others I work with, he's very passionate about the cause and takes pride in the changes that have been made."

Cleveland said he remembers his grandmother schooling him at the age of 3 or 4

about the environment and that protecting it is something that has stayed with him ever since.

"Back when I was teaching, we'd have these recycling efforts with the environmental club that I ran, and twice — we collected so many aluminum cans we wound up getting 100 free tickets for the Cubs' game," Cleveland said. "My grandmother thought it was horrible for someone to throw a wrapper away, and it still amazes me when I see people litter with garbage or cigarettes."

Cleveland's resume also includes working to coordinate a major garage sale held annually at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Naperville and volunteering during Christmas to make calls to kids where he poses as Santa Claus.

"Parents sign up for the program and tell us about their child and their age and the things they want for Christmas," Cleveland said. "At a pre-arranged time, we call them up and the kids know by the things we say that we know something about them."

Cleveland admits he has a few "paid" positions that include working as a ranger at one of the Park District's golf courses as well as part-time job at the Alden senior living facility where he transports residents to local city concerts.

Married to his wife Karla for 36 years and the father of three daughters, Sara, 36; Amy, 34; and Julia, 31; Cleveland said he is aware of the example he has set for his children and takes pride in their having taken up the mantle themselves.

"My daughters think I'm crazy sometimes when they see all the things I do, but they are also active in volunteering for things like the Chicago Marathon and giving back," he said. "When we go out running along the Riverwalk and I can see how our work with Trailmasters has made things better — it's rewarding. For me, I'm blessed and just grateful for things I'm still able to do."

"My wife just told me the other day how happy she is, and when she's happy, I'm happy," Cleveland added. "My running buddies and guys I bike with are all very positive people too, so I'm surrounded with that. And because I'm around students who remain the same age, I still feel young."

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# Joe and Armida Dominguez

Their good works are a family affair

By JANELLE WALKER | The Courier-News

When Joe and Armida Dominguez started driving from Chicago to Elgin twice a week in the early 1970s, they hadn't intended to move to the suburbs and become examples of giving back to the community.

Their commitment to community didn't really start, Armida said, until the mid-1960s when the couple — already parents to three children — had a “personal encounter with Christ” and became heavily involved in their Chicago church.

That church ministry expanded when they were asked to help seed a church in Elgin — a town neither of them was familiar with.

Now, 41 years after taking the leap and moving to the suburbs, the couple is nearly ubiquitous at Elgin events. They are counted on by many to work a registration or information desk, putting hours in on various committees and commissions and showing up whenever help is requested.

Their devotion does not go unnoticed. “Throughout my tenure with the city, I have not experienced fuller hearts or more



Left: Joe and Armida Dominguez at their Elgin church, New Life Covenant. The couple can be found there most Sunday mornings and Wednesday and Thursday nights. Right: One of Joe and Armida Dominguez's newest volunteer commitments is as members of the Elgin Police Department Citizen Advisory Board, which held its first meeting in August.

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loving souls than Armida and Joe,” said Barb Keselica, special events and community engagement manager for the city of Elgin.

“They are a true blessing, and I am honored every day to serve our community beside them. It’s people like Armida and Joe that make Elgin a great place to work and live,” Keselica said.

It’s their personal devotion to Christ and their own faith that the couple hopes people see in the time given to the community — one they have shown another kind of devotion to as well, Armida said.

“That is our purpose — the church’s purpose. Christ did it,” giving to others before self, Armida said. “If we are going to do that, we are following that example,” she said.

Joe grew up across the street from the Jane Addams Hull House, and as a kid he often took advantage of the programs there — from day camps to teen dances.

Armida had parents who were very involved in their church as well as the community. Her father was a Little League coach and her mother taught Sunday school.

“That was normal for me. That is where this came from — the birth of us giving back,” Armida said.

The couple met when Armida was 19 and Joe was 21, both counselors for Waukegan’s Bowen Country Club when it was a Hull House summer camp for city kids. They married in 1961.

As they became more involved in Bethel Temple, in 1973, they were tapped to help seed a new church in Elgin. They, with the Rev. Joe Alarcon, helped to found Templo Calvario in a downtown Elgin storefront.

For four years, Joe would drive them back and forth from Chicago to Elgin for Sunday

and Wednesday night services. They helped run two youth programs — one for boys and one for girls — as well.

But just being here twice a week wasn’t connecting them to the community they ministered in.

“We thought we would be more effective living in the community,” rather than just visiting weekly, Armida said.

Both found jobs here — Joe with the city of Elgin and Armida at an Elgin bank.

While it was 2001 before they became heavily involved in city events, Armida found ways to help in their new community.

She taught English as a second language classes at the Elgin Area YWCA on Chicago Street — walking there during her lunch hour. Later that became ESL classes at the Gail Borden Public Library too.

For many years, the two helped serve food when their church was one of the Elgin Soup Kitchen ministry locations and gave out food to the homeless on the street.

As their church outreach was in the downtown area — the building has since been torn down — the former Downtown Neighborhood Association Director Norma Miess asked them to get involved in the new organization shortly after she became director.

So did former City Council member Juan Figueroa and community activist Gil Feliciano. “They are our Elgin mentors,” for getting involved at the city level, she said.

That is when their close association with city events took off.

On an average week, the couple — now in their 70s — can be found volunteering five days a week at one of many organizations they are involved in, including a different church.

After she retired from the bank, Armida

worked for a few more years at Provena Sherman Hospital's registration desk.

She now volunteers at that same desk four hours each week. And because she doesn't drive — and never has — Joe also volunteers at the Elgin hospital's information desk.

"I used to see a lot of married people out there working alone. I wanted us to partner and do it together," Joe said. "But now and then, we have to divide for a dual meeting."

On Wednesdays the couple is usually working the VIP desk — for newcomers and visitors — at their church. But not until after they have given at least an hour attending the twice monthly Elgin City Council meetings.

On Thursdays, they volunteer at the church's Celebrate Recovery: Hurts, Habits and Hangups accountability group.

Saturdays usually involve one event or another that they have signed up to help staff before being back at church Sundays to work the VIP table again.

Mondays and Fridays are blocked off for "domestic day," and Friday is "date day" for the couple.

The list of weekly commitments doesn't even get into the committees and commissions they volunteer with — for the Elgin Hispanic Network, the Downtown Neighborhood Association, the International Festival (iFest) committee, the new Police Department Citizen Advisory Board — and many more they couldn't name but have on an appointment calendar.

For Keselica — who often taps the Dominguezes when help is needed — she thinks of a quote by Martin Luther King Jr.

"Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve ... You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

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# Emma England

Spotting an owl leads to role as bird monitor

BY SHERYL DEVORE | News-Sun

Emma England began monitoring purple martins at Old School Forest Preserve in Libertyville in 2014. Then she started caring for bluebirds. Then she became a volunteer co-steward to guide others in removing invasive species including teasel, garlic mustard and buckthorn from the property.

If that's not enough, the Libertyville resident, born in England, also monitors butterflies at Old School as well as endangered birds at Waukegan Beach.

It can be intensely hot, extremely frigid, muddy, even gross — such as when removing mites and feces from purple martin nests — while doing



volunteer work in the field. But England is not afraid to get out in the bush, dirty and sweaty, to complete her mission.

"I just feel passionate about birds and conservation and want to do what I can to help protect them," said England, president of the Lake County Audubon Society.

"The birds we are monitoring are in decline," England, 45, said, adding data prove the volunteer work she and others do is helping these species.

Glen Moss, who has served as a volunteer steward for more than 25 years at Old School Forest Preserve, welcomed England as a co-steward a few years ago. She infuses enthusiasm into all she does, said Moss,

of Libertyville.

"She's been very diligent and has followed up on everything, and she's been very inspiring to everybody else to work hard," he said.

Because of England's work, people are seeing more purple martins catching dragonflies and more bluebirds singing their cheery songs.

What England does "connects with the whole picture of the environment," Moss said.

England grew up in England, moved to Scotland in 2010 and then to the U.S. in 2012 when her husband, Steven England, got a job and a work visa. Both have green cards, she said.

England began her foray into nature when her father gave

her a field guide to birds at the age of 3. When she moved to Sweden as an adult and saw her first great gray owl, she was inspired to do conservation work.

The owl, a large bird of prey, normally lives farther north from where she lived in Sweden. But food supplies had dwindled and the owls moved south.

When she and her husband moved to the U.S., she knew she had to find more volunteer conservation work. She met Tom Smith, stewardship coordinator for the Lake County Forest Preserve District.

"He got me into doing volunteer habitat restoration work at Old School," England said.

Emma England checks a bluebird box at Old School Forest Preserve in Libertyville, where she serves as a co-steward, butterfly monitor and bird monitor. She is also the new president of the Lake County Audubon Society.  
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“Each week in winter, we took out the buckthorn and I stayed by the fire (burning the buckthorn) to watch it to make sure it didn’t get out of control.”

The non-native buckthorn crowds out plants that native animals depend on for breeding and shelter.

England next met Moss, who told her about volunteer opportunities with the Bird Conservation Network. Volunteers do breeding bird surveys throughout the Chicago region. She does five surveys per year during the summer at Old School.

“We have to start at sunrise. When I first heard about the time, I was horrified,” England said. “But it’s just wonderful being out there. You’re out there on your own. The dawn chorus is deafening. The sun is coming up. It’s really quite special.”

England also began monitoring bluebird boxes, adding another 29 over the past few years at Old School Forest Preserve. Bluebirds have lost their traditional tree cavities to non-native species such as starlings. Man-made nest boxes — if built, erected and cared for properly — have helped the bluebirds.

She and other monitors check the boxes weekly in spring and summer, documenting number of eggs laid and number of nestlings. “The most important thing we do is remove house sparrow eggs,” she said. These non-native species take over the nest boxes, she said. By law, she is allowed to remove the sparrow’s eggs.

She also monitors purple martins that nest in special condominium-type houses erected for them near a pond at Old School Forest Preserve. She and other volunteers help count the eggs and nestlings weekly in spring and summer. “When the young are about a week old, we have to clean out the nests because they get in-



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Emma England, of Libertyville, serves as the president of Lake County Audubon Society as well as co-steward, bird monitor, butterfly monitor at Old School Forest Preserve in Libertyville and bird monitor at Waukegan Beach.

fest with mites and other parasites that make them anemic,” England said.

The house contains 14 compartments with wooden trays that can be slid out with the nestlings in them.

“It’s very messy. It’s really quite gross when I have to take the trays out and clean them out later. But it’s really important. It really helps the survival of the young.”

The number of fledglings kept increasing, and in early 2017, her husband and three other volunteers helped install a second martin box to be ready for when the birds returned in April.

“We had a record number of fledglings this year — 68. That’s

20 more than last year,” England said.

“I love the martins because they’re colonial nesters. They’re always communicating with each other. They’re such amazing, acrobatic flyers.”

If you watch the martins catching dragonflies and the sun hits them just right, you can see the purple sheen on the males, she said. “In the winter, when they leave to go back to Brazil, I get emotional.”

England admits caring for the bluebirds and purple martins “is a big commitment. But we have seen how successful the monitoring has been ... It’s just so rewarding when you think of all these extra baby birds that are in the world

because of your efforts.”

England is now spreading her wings to help rare birds on Waukegan Beach. She’s helped the Illinois Department of Natural Resources monitor endangered birds, including the piping plover and common tern, and has worked with Audubon Society members to convince the city of Waukegan to pass a proclamation in early August naming 2018 the year of the bird.

“I’m so excited,” England said. “Waukegan Beach is a special place that provides habitat for many rare birds.”

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# Deb and Randy Fisher

Longtime homeless helpers find post-retirement work at Aurora pantry

BY STEVE LORD  
The Beacon-News

Within days of moving to Aurora about two years ago, Deb Fisher ran into volunteers for the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry collecting canned goods at the local grocery store.

Within a couple of days, she and husband, Randy Fisher, both 72, were helping out at the pantry.

They've been regulars there on Tuesday distribution day ever since.

"We had both worked with the homeless and in food pantries before," Deb said. "So it was a natural."

Deb, a retired United Methodist Church pastor, and Randy, a retired social work professor, who taught the last eight years at Aurora University, had been living in Lake Bluff.

They moved to Aurora to be near a daughter, one of their three children. The other two live in Ohio and California.

Now the Fishers can be seen at the pantry every distribution day.

Randy stands at the entrance to the food area from the waiting area, checking tickets and directing people where to go.

"I see all of them in," he said, smiling. "I'm kind of a gatekeeper."

Deb is the first person they see inside — a smiling face with a cart ready for the client to take shopping.

"I line up the cart, but the big part is just greeting," Deb said.



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Deb and Randy Fisher regularly greet people at the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry every distribution day.

"I'm making them feel welcome."

"It's important to greet people," Randy said. "Some people are nervous, confused, some are embarrassed. You make them know it's all right."

Marilyn Weisner, executive director of the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry, said the Fishers are an example of the many dedicated, hard-working and dependable volunteers who make the pantry work.

The pantry sees about 920 families a week, but that number has been up around 1,000 in the recent past. In the five counties the Aurora pantry services, about 40 percent of children are eligible for the free or reduced price lunches at school.

For that reason, the pantry provides extra food to families with children during the summer months.

The Fishers work from 9:30

a.m. to at least 2:30 p.m. every Tuesday, and also help at special distributions, like one the pantry has on Veteran's Day for military veterans.

That's a labor of love for Randy, who is himself a veteran. "I even wore my hat," he said.

This year's special Veteran's distribution will be Nov. 9.

Each distribution day requires 35 to 40 volunteers, and there are a wide variety of jobs that need to be done, according to food pantry officials.

Each year, volunteers donate about 40,000 hours to the pantry, which officials say is like having an additional 20 full-time employees each week.

There are all kinds of jobs to be done, including sorting food donations, stocking shelves, assisting with distribution, greeting clients like the Fishers do, registering clients on the computer and helping with

special programs.

People can begin volunteering at age 14, although youths age 14 to 17 must get a parental consent form.

Students often volunteer as part of community service projects.

Weisner said the pantry also gets a lot of group volunteers, from businesses, social clubs, youth groups and service organizations.

One example of an ongoing group volunteer situation is the Aurora University Athletic Department. In January 2014, the department began coordinating their sports teams to volunteer at the pantry.

Aurora University student-athletes assist with all aspects of distribution, including helping clients, stocking, cleaning and working in the parking lot. The work has been ongoing since 2014.

The Fishers have grown to love the pantry, saying the group of volunteers and clients who converge every Tuesday are like a family.

"There is large group of Tuesday regulars," Randy said.

"There was one woman, when we first came here, who was very pregnant. Now we see her come through with her young daughter."

They also like the way the pantry is organized, and the kind of choices it gives to the clients.

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# Mary Graziano

Retirement lasted 2 weeks for food pantry helper

By ERIN SAUDER  
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For West Dundee resident Mary Graziano, sitting idle is not an option when there are families having to choose between putting food on the table or making the mortgage.

"That was how I was raised," she said. "My mom and dad's motto was, 'You might not have a lot but you share what you have.' My dad would work all day in a factory and then spend his evenings building a garage for someone or repairing something for a friend. He set the tone."

Her mother would be in the kitchen of their northern Wisconsin home preparing food for families dealing with illness or the loss of a loved one.

"My two siblings and I were raised to help your fellow man, whether it's a neighbor or someone you don't even know," Graziano said. "It's ingrained in me."

That's why in 2004, only two weeks after retiring from her job at Safety Kleen, she and her husband, Mike, began serving at Carpentersville's FISH (Friend, I Shall Help) Food Pantry.

"A friend who volunteered here said, 'Hey, now that you guys are home how about helping out at the pantry?'"

Now we're in our 15th year. It's hard to say no when you see the need," Graziano, 72, said.

She later took on the role of secretary and in 2011 became president of the pantry, which



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Mary Graziano straightens the shelves at FISH Food. Earlier this year, the pantry converted to a client choice model, which allows those who come to FISH to choose their own items.

serves families from the Carpentersville, East Dundee, West Dundee, Sleepy Hollow and Gilberts areas.

That meant spending more than 30 hours a week making sure the shelves are stocked for the more than 30,000 people who come through the FISH doors annually. Last year, that number climbed above 34,000.

"It's amazing, isn't it?" Graziano said.

She recalls the struggle FISH faced trying to keep up with the growing demand for food during the 2008 economic downturn.

"There would be 14 people having to live in a two- or three-bedroom apartment. It

was really hard to get enough food to feed that many people," she said.

FISH relies on donations, as well as the pantry's affiliation with Northern Illinois Food Bank, to help stock the shelves with food, beverages and toiletries. The pantry also has a room full of donated clothes clients can sift through and take what they need.

These days, a bigger struggle is finding enough volunteers to keep FISH running smoothly.

"We can pick up food five days a week but we're running out of volunteers to do that," Graziano said. "That's part of our problem right now."

Last winter, FISH moved

from its location in the Meadowdale Shopping Center where it had been since 1994 into a larger space just down the hall. The extra 2,000 square feet allowed FISH to convert to a client choice model. That means those who frequent the pantry get to choose for themselves what products they receive.

The approach, said Graziano, gives clients a sense of dignity.

"People are so appreciative of being able to come in and do their own shopping," she said. "It really makes a difference. We worked for years to save up enough money to move here. It's still fairly new for us. We're going to enjoy this for a while."

FISH operates from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, as well as from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays.

Earlier this year, Graziano relinquished her role as president. But true to her nature, she is not stepping away from the pantry completely. Miles Nakashima is now FISH president and Graziano carries the title of vice president.

"I like this role," she said. "This is a good place for me. I can be very supportive but I don't have to be there three days a week. Right now it's two days a week."

For Graziano, what she gets out of doing service work "is hard to put into words."

"It's the feeling that you have put someone else before you for that period of time," she said. "That your problems



Mary Graziano talks to a fellow FISH Food Pantry volunteer.

aren't nearly as great as the problems of the people whom you are helping. There's a feeling of satisfaction when you come home at the end of the day. You come home tired, yet you have this feeling of accomplishment ... that you made a difference in someone's life."

Even with a more stable economy, the number of those using the pantry continues to increase. That means more

help is needed to assist clients, drive the FISH-owned van to pick up food from grocery stores and stock the shelves.

"I think there are a lot of people out there who are newly retired and looking for something to do and don't know about us," she said.

Though Graziano is in her 70s, she is one of the younger volunteers.

"We had a young woman in her early 20s doing community

service recently and one of our other volunteers said, 'Wow, she pulled our average age way down,'" Graziano said with a laugh. "But really, there are a bunch of us in our 70s and there are probably equally as many in their 80s."

Husband and wife team Domingo and Blanca Mata, for instance, help out at the pantry three days a week and are more than a decade older than Graziano. He's 90 and she's 88.

"It's amazing what they do. They think volunteering is what's keeping them going," Graziano said.

It's a sentiment she can also relate to.

"I honestly believe giving back ... having a reason to get up and out in the morning is good for your physical and mental health," she said.

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# Cynthia Hernandez

Pushing to boost parental engagement in schools

BY RAFAEL GUERRERO | The Courier-News

Cynthia Hernandez spends the first hour of the first day at Huff Elementary School moving to and from classrooms.

She stops by the library to talk book fairs and the school calendar with the librarian. She then heads over near the school's front doors and begins setting up a bulletin board.

Hernandez, 43, isn't a teacher or principal at the Elgin school, though. She is the leader of Parents and Teachers of Huff, the school's parent-teacher organization. Her twin children are third-graders at the school.

Hernandez spends her time now volunteering, whether it be at Huff or as a Mexican folkloric dance instructor. The Elgin native aspires to make a difference in the lives of children and adults alike — which she believes revolves around engagement with the schools.



“If they (parents) are engaged, then (their children) are a little more encouraged to do well at school,” Hernandez said.

Hernandez grew up in Elgin, attended Elgin schools and graduated from Elgin-based School District U46. She attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in mechanical engineering.

“Coming back to Elgin was a priority to me,” she said. “All my family is basically here in Elgin. I was involved with my (church) youth group here. I have many friends here. And I’m used to the diversity in this area. You kind of recognize (Elgin’s diversity) once you get out of Elgin.”

It has been years since Hernandez worked in engineering, taking a break from the profession to raise her twin children, she said. She may go back into engineering as her children get older, but she may go into teaching and become a mentor for

STEM enthusiasts, Hernandez said.

Hernandez is a part-time adjunct dance instructor at Elgin Community College. Her husband, Julian, founded the Ballet Folklórico Huehuecoyotl, a Mexican folkloric dance group. The nonprofit program began in the early 2000s in Elgin, and it has since become an in-residence ensemble group of the college’s Institute for the Performing Arts.

Cynthia Hernandez started as a folkloric dance teacher on a volunteer basis before Elgin Community College welcomed the ensemble. She said it has 85 students from all ages and four performance groups.

Hernandez grew up in a Mexican family. Her father worked at the former foundry in Elgin, and her mother was at St. Joseph Hospital, also in Elgin. Part of their income went to support family in Mexico, she said.

“I never felt that we were deprived of

Cynthia Hernandez is the president of the Huff Elementary School parent-teacher organization. Her involvement at the school has earned praise from the Elgin school and Elgin-based School District U46.

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anything, although now as a parent, I do wonder, 'How did (my mother) do it?' " she said, noting her mother's availability to the family despite a busy work schedule. "You kind of like realize you may have taken it for granted."

Hernandez said she understands she is fortunate with her upbringing and success, given many in Elgin grow up amid socioeconomic challenges like poverty or limited English language skills.

At Huff Elementary School, the vast majority of students are of Hispanic descent, according to school report card data for 2017. In 2017, 92 percent of students were classified as low-income, according to the report card data. Just more than two-thirds of students last year were eligible for bilingual education, the data shows.

When their children began kindergarten, Hernandez and her husband enrolled in the district's Hispanic Parent Leadership Institute, a parent engagement program of District U46. Both the Hispanic parent program and its counterpart, the African-American Parent Leadership Institute, are two-year programs in which enrolled parents complete family engagement projects, attend school board meetings and other meetings, meet with district staff, and get instruction on networking, public speaking and leadership skills.

Hernandez and her husband authored a project intended to recruit more parents into school engagement. The project, called Parents in Education, involved them going door to door in the Huff Elementary School neighborhood on Elgin's east side.

Family engagement remains a challenge for District U46 schools. For instance, a survey conducted by district officials revealed only 18 percent of district kindergarten parents had a favorable opinion about how much they were engaged with their children's school.

"The idea was to go out in small groups, knocking doors in our neighborhoods and give



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them information," she said. "There's so much information out there. Gail Borden (Public Library in Elgin), Hanover Township, the city (of Elgin), they have all these great resources, but these families sometimes don't use it."

The goal of the project was to engage the families who may be more difficult to reach, said Huff Elementary School Principal Angelica Ernst. Families at her school include parents who work long or difficult hours, families who may move away in an instant, and families who may not speak English, among other challenges.

Hernandez said some parents were just fearful of having strangers knock on their doors. One reason? Their immigration status, Hernandez said.

"When a stranger knocks on doors, they get scared," she said.

Parents in Education struggled during the inaugural 2017-18 campaign, she admitted. But the goal is for the project to continue.

Hernandez also is the second-year president of Parents and Teachers of Huff, a program that was reborn just before her arrival, she said. Her roles as president include conducting monthly meetings, setting up school events and fundraisers, and working with Huff staff, among others.

"The second-generation (parents) — those born here — they tend to automatically be a little more engaged," Hernandez said. "I'm thinking it's because they are a little more

comfortable speaking English, even though at Huff basically everyone is bilingual."

She continued: "The mindset of families that come here from other countries is that you send your child to school and the teacher will take care of everything. The parents don't get as engaged over there."

Hernandez's involvement at Huff Elementary School earned her recognition from District U46 this spring, winning the Helping Hands award during the district's annual recognition of school volunteers. The award recognizes volunteerism at the individual school level, according to the district.

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# Delinda Herod

Bringing change to the Fairmont community

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When Delinda Herod learned a few years ago that a four-lane highway had been proposed right through the heart of her quiet, unincorporated neighborhood in Lockport Township, she wondered, “How could they do this to Fairmont?”

Opposition to that plan — to extend a new bridge over the Des Plaines River and connect Caton Farm Road to Bruce Road via Oak Street — brought this low-income community of 800 homes together and proved to be a catalyst for neighborhood improvements.

She wanted Fairmont residents to wake up and care about their community.

“People in Fairmont work. They take the same route every day. They go to work and come home. They don’t notice what is happening here,” she said.

Admittedly, she said, she was like most residents, too. People got used to seeing trash on roads, not having sidewalks, and living in substandard housing.

“We look like we don’t care,” Herod, 60, said.

But if people showed they cared, Herod believed they could also show that Fairmont could be a vibrant community, instead of one to destroy with a new thoroughfare.

Determined to fight for her community and convince others to get involved, she helped



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Delinda Herod is bringing change to her unincorporated Fairmont community, one tomato, one house at a time.

create the Fairmont Community Partnership Group Inc. in 2015 and served as president.

Herod also attends meetings of the Fairmont School board and Lockport Township, and has formed significant partnerships with Will County, Lewis University, Habitat for Humanity, the Lockport Township

Park District, ShareFest, local churches and elected officials.

Like many residents here, her parents came to Fairmont in the 1950s from the South, seeking jobs at US Steel and Caterpillar. She attended Fairmont School and after graduation from Lockport Township High School, she left for 15

years before returning home. She knows everyone in town, unless they just moved in.

The decline of Fairmont didn’t happen overnight but over decades, she noted. It was a thriving community in the 1950s when manufacturing jobs were plentiful. Over time, jobs were lost, unemployment in-



creased, and the people stayed.

“There is such a need here,” she said. And with the Fairmont Community Partnership, she has been the squeaky wheel to draw attention to the need for housing, food, water, drainage and safety.

In its three short years, the group has worked with the Will County Land Use Department and Habitat for Humanity on a neighborhood improvement program. Decrepit homes have been demolished and lots have been cleared for future homes. Those living in unsafe homes are being relocated within the community.

Through local ministers, Reach Missions, a summer work camp, brought high school and college volunteers to Fairmont one summer to spruce up homes and do

minor repairs.

The partnership held community clean-up days, free health/dental and food fairs and job fairs.

It launched a “Keep Your 50 Clean” campaign, urging residents to maintain their 50-foot-wide lots, and signed up 30 volunteers for an Adopt A Street program. It was a driving force in petitioning for much needed road repairs on Oak Avenue, one of its main streets.

Its members participated in a rummage sale to earn money to restart the PTO at Fairmont School. It also got a retention pond, a reconfigured parking lot and a safer crosswalk at the school.

Their efforts resulted in new floors, fresh paint and air conditioning at the Fairmont

Community Center.

Herod personally encourages homeowners to mow their lawns and helps students learn to read.

This summer, Herod was also planning a Rock the Block event with Habitat, in which they planned to beautify one block in one day.

All these efforts earned Herod and the Fairmont Community Partnership an Outstanding Community Involvement Award this summer from the Joliet Chapter of the NAACP.

Fairmont is improving and people are starting to pay attention to this community, she said. She is hopeful it will continue to catch on.

She said the ongoing effort that is



needed to keep Fairmont moving forward is not a sprint but a marathon.

"We have hit a stride, but there is more to come. There is a need for the community to awaken and believe. But when they have been down for so long, it's impossible to convince them it can change," she said.

"Fairmont people will believe it when they see it, and slowly but surely, we are starting to see new things," she said, pointing to a new pavilion at A.F. Hill Park and a new community garden, where she and her volunteers weed, water and harvest crops for the food pantry three days a week.

Herod knows the group needs "young blood," and she works hard to engage student volunteers to keep Fairmont moving forward.

She tries to make it fun for them, with back-to-school and end-of-school parties, offers them rides and helps them become better students.

When two elementary students showed up regularly to work in the community garden this summer, she rewarded them with free books, her subtle way to encourage reading.

"I want to bring the whole community together. We are going to be here together, we might as well have as much peace and happiness as we can," said Herod. "We cannot have the status quo in Fairmont anymore."

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Delinda Herod was thrilled to have a revitalized community garden with raised beds this summer, a project she worked on with the Will County Land Use Department and volunteers. It provides fresh produce for the local food pantry.

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***"I want to bring the whole community together ..."***

# Harold Herzog

## Medicare signup got him started as liaison

BY JUDY BUCHENOT  
Naperville Sun

Anyone who is nearing 65 or has already reached this milestone can appreciate Harold Herzog. Nearly a year before anyone's 65th birthday, calls and letters offering Medicare guidance come flooding in. The non-stop waves of information can be overwhelming, but fortunately, there are some experienced Senior Health Insurance Program, or SHIP, navigators like Herzog who can help.

Herzog, 68, never planned to be a Medicare maven. After a 36-year career in the nuclear power industry, he retired in 2013 with no other plans than to take a trip to Alaska. He and a buddy hopped into a car and drove as far as the roads would take them into Alaska to Prudhoe Bay. "We toured Alaska and parts of Canada and saw spectacular scenery and lots of wildlife. It took us 30 days for the round trip," Herzog said. But with that item checked off his bucket list, he returned to his Naperville home, his wife, two adult children and two grandchildren.

"I had volunteered for things at my church and with Boy Scouts but didn't have any plans. Then Jenny Dawley, who is the director of senior services in Naperville, came to me and said, 'Have I got an opportunity for you?'" She proposed that Herzog go through Senior Health Insurance Program training to become a volunteer counselor. The training is sponsored by the Illinois Department on Aging as a way to give a reliable resource for Medicare benefits, Medicare supplement insurance, Medicare+Choice plans, long-term care insurance and other insurance related issues.

"Part of my interest in agreeing to get the training was that I was going to become Medicare eligible myself and wasn't sure what I was going to do," said Herzog. He completed the training in the fall of 2013, just in time for the open enrollment period. "Those first few appointments were a little scary."

He counseled 21 people that first year for a total of 32 hours. But then he began to feel a little more comfortable in the role. In 2017, he counseled 223 people in 330 hours of sessions.



JUDY BUCHENOT/NAPERVILLE SUN PHOTOS

Above: Harold Herzog meets with a woman getting ready to sign up for Medicare at an office inside the Naperville Township building. Right: Harold Herzog meets with people seeking guidance for Medicare at an office inside the Naperville Township building.

"Sometimes I work with the person and we sign up right here on my computer in the office," Herzog said, referring to the office space he uses at the Naperville Township Offices. "We go through box by box, and I explain everything as we go along. It is easy to get tripped up with some questions like knowing which box to check about previous insurance. Some people sign up at home after talking with me, which is fine too."

Herzog is also familiar with Medicaid options and can sometimes help people get access to help if they are struggling. "Sometimes, I don't have the answer and I can get Medicare on the phone to get an answer."

One new trend is an increasing number of people who are continuing to work past 65. "Many people don't know that you don't have to sign up for Medicare at 65 if you have credible coverage," he said. "I am seeing people who are working past 65 or who have a spouse who is working and providing coverage. I help people understand their options in those situations."

Herzog also helps people review their coverage periodically. "Things change every year," he notes. "I retrain twice a year

to keep up with the changes. People can make changes each year during open enrollment if their circumstances change."

"People come in here asking for him by name," Dawley said. "He is so personable and genuinely cares for the people he helps. The people he counsels are very appreciative. Many of them bring him little treats because they want to let him know how thankful they are."

Herzog said, "I really have fun doing this. I set my own schedule. There are no irate clients to deal with. I can spend as much time as I need with each person, and I am giving them good information that they can use. One of the best things is at the end of a session when a person says to me, 'thank you. I didn't realize there was so much to understand about Medicare.'"

"I never planned to do this but I really am glad I did," Herzog said. "It is really rewarding to be able to help people figure out Medicare, which is such an important part of their lives."

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# Ryan Hesslau

Anti-bullying work sparks youth empowerment organization

BY TED SLOWIK | Daily Southtown

Ryan Hesslau was just 16 years old in 2012 when a 15-year-old student at Carl Sandburg High School in Orland Park had taken his own life.

Hesslau, 22, of Mokena, was a student at Lincoln-Way East High School in Frankfort at the time.

"This summer I'm in the process of starting a movement of bullying and suicidal awareness, and stressing the seriousness of it," Hesslau posted on Facebook on May 6, 2012.

"I'm calling it the foreverU movement and I want to show those who struggle in high school that life truly is amazing and that you're here for a reason, and that you are forever you and that it will get better."

More than six years later, Hesslau has achieved significant progress toward making his vision a reality.

"That Facebook post is now framed," he said during a recent interview.

Hesslau graduated in May from Trinity



Above: Ryan Hesslau addresses a group of teens during a summer 2018 session at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights. Right: Ryan Hesslau, 22, of Mokena, a 2018 graduate of Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, is founder of foreverU, a nonprofit organization that provides peer support for youths and promotes personal growth.

TYLER MINNESMA/SOUTHTOWN/TYLER MINNESMA/TRINITY CHRISTIAN (ABOVE); EDEN FOREMAN/FOREVERU (RIGHT)

***“I want to help people realize their worth and their place in the world.”***

Christian College in Palos Heights with a bachelor’s degree in entrepreneurial management. He established foreverU as a nonprofit organization.

ForeverU’s mission has evolved, he said, from anti-bullying and suicide prevention to a broader scope of personal growth, peer support and youth empowerment. ForeverU offers camps, retreats and programs designed to help young people grow their confidence, improve academic performance and achieve success.

“I had always wanted to be a camp counselor but never had the time to commit to it,” said Hesslau, who also serves as director of youth ministries at United Methodist Church of New Lenox.

Some of foreverU’s clients may be bullied, but others may be experiencing the loss of a parent or other traumatic situation.

“We help students challenged by some kind of life obstacle,” Hesslau said. “When you find purpose, it’s life-changing. You realize this life is worth fighting for.”

Hesslau said when he was in high school, he feared rejection and wanted to feel accepted. ForeverU is committed to helping high school students understand that “no youth walks through life alone,” he said.

As Hesslau has refined the scope of his

mission, the message has remained consistent. He appeared on an episode of “The Steve Harvey Show” in 2016 to talk about bullying.

“I really just wanted to reach out to teens around the community who were struggling with bullying as well as the mental health aspects of it and just make them realize there is hope through struggle,” Hesslau said to Harvey during the daytime talk show.

In addition to creating the foreverU charitable organization, Hesslau also founded and serves as CEO of Above the Waves, a counseling and communication technology company.

Above the Waves offers an app that schools can use to host and monitor conversations about wellness.

“The more valuable aspect of our platform is that it allows authorized users in the school to analyze activity, download reports, review conversation logs and plenty more,” Above the Waves says on its website, [upriseuniversity.com](http://upriseuniversity.com).

“This enables a school to collect the data it needs to effectively address the social emotional wellness of students and understand what steps to take in establishing best practices for their students.”

The company is an extension of foreverU’s mission and a product of Hesslau’s

entrepreneurial management coursework at Trinity Christian College, he said. While a freshman at Trinity in 2014, Hesslau participated in a pitch competition and was awarded a fellowship through the Future Fellows Foundation.

The camps and retreats of foreverU share goals of individual counseling sessions: improved self-esteem, coping mechanisms and other trademarks of personal growth programs. The key difference, Hesslau said, is the peer support component.

“The curriculum we’re providing is similar to a counseling session,” he said. “When you seek growth you can become unstoppable. We create a community that reminds you of that.”

Hesslau said he is working with area high schools to make foreverU’s resources available to students.

ForeverU bears traits similar to a self-improvement program for recovering addicts. One tenet of a 12-step program is searching for a “higher power” that can help someone find meaning.

“My faith is what drives me,” Hesslau said. “I want to help people realize their worth and their place in the world.”

ForeverU is about personal development, Hesslau said. Some participants raise questions about faith as part of their journeys, he said.

“If you ask questions, I’ll have answers,” he said.

In the six years since publicly announcing his vision, Hesslau said he’s improved his public-speaking and presentation skills. One of the many titles used to describe him is “motivational speaker.”

In 2015, he marked the three-year anniversary of his foreverU announcement with a Facebook post about progress toward his goal.

“We’ve created programs, powerful speaking events, annual events and fundraisers, volunteer opportunities, and ‘do it yourself’ resources at our website

([www.forevermovement.org](http://www.forevermovement.org)),”

Hesslau wrote in 2015.

“We’ve developed a scholarship fund, partnered with bands, and more. We continue to go above and beyond to make a direct impact on the lives of teens while more importantly showing this world how to love.”

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# Bill Jones

Boy Scouts inspired a lifetime of service work in Elgin

BY MIKE DANAHEY | The Courier-News



For as long as Karin Jones can remember, her father, Bill, has been volunteering his time with various organizations in Elgin.

“He showed us by example that giving the gift of your time to the community through the things you are passionate about is rewarding beyond measure,” Karin Jones said.

Bill Jones, 76, may be best known in local volunteer circles for being a long-time member of conservation group Izaak Walton League of America’s Elgin chapter, for which he is now serving his third term as president.

Jones said his volunteer spirit developed through being involved in the Boy Scouts at St. Joseph’s Catholic School while growing up in Elgin in the 1950s. He is quick to note that the Izaak Walton League became the charter organization for Scouting in Elgin and Hanover Township in 1945 and currently provides a home for Cub Scout Pack 1855 and Boy Scout Troop 10, which is 90 years old.

The Scouts meet at what is now called the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center on undeveloped, rustic acreage at the end of Jay Street on the city’s east side. The center was built by the Ikes, as Izaak Wal-

Wearing a T-shirt for the organization, Izaak Walton League of Elgin president Bill Jones talks to people who attended Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center & Reserve Archery Range dedication on Sept. 16, 2017.

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ton League members are known, for their clubhouse in 1939, but in 2013 the club was finding it too expensive for members to operate the facility.

A discussion the prior year between Jones and Hanover Township Supervisor Brian McGuire led to the Ikes turning over the building to the township while still being allowed to hold its meetings and programming there.

“Part of the deal also meant the Scouts can use the building too,” Jones said.

“Bill is a passionate and dedicated community volunteer. He has been so his entire life and will work tirelessly on an issue or cause that is important to him,” McGuire said.

One of those efforts is being a steward for Willow Creek and Poplar Creek, which meet at the north end of the Ikes’ property.

In 2016, a coordinated effort between the Ikes, the city of Elgin, Hanover Township, the Army Corp of Engineers, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the North Cook County Soil and Water Conservation District stabilized 105 linear feet of Poplar Creek shoreline that had been undergoing a significant amount of stream erosion.

“Bill wants to see future generations of Elginites reap the benefits associated with enjoying the outdoors, just as he did when growing up,” said Randy Reopelle, who recently retired as the city’s director of parks and recreation. “Bill is also very tenacious. When he sets his mind to getting something done, he sticks to it, no



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Isaak Walton League of Elgin president Bill Jones works a booth promoting the environmentally-minded nonprofit at a Friends of the Lords Park Zoo fundraiser in 2015.

matter how long it takes. He worked on the shoreline stabilization project for Willow Creek for over three years, before any work started on it. Despite all of the bureaucracy and how it frustrated him, he never gave up.”

In recent years, the Ikes also have partnered with neighbors, as well as faculty and students at Ellis Middle School, on biannual creek cleanups. Jones said the school’s Science Nerds environmental club is taking part in the Ikes’ nationwide Clean Water Challenge, which has a goal to monitor 100,000 stream sites by 2022.

“I think we’ve impacted kids’ lives with these efforts. I don’t think anyone who has been involved is ever going to throw anything into a creek,” Jones said. “And the kids from Ellis seem to like to get out and are willing to do stuff.”

Jones said his own passion for the outdoors began when he was a young boy and headed to Montana for fishing trips with his uncle and grandfather.

“I remember the mountain streams, using grasshoppers for bait and watching them scurry down the river as we tried to lure trout,” Jones said.

To that point, Jones and other Ikes have been involved in recent years with a Fish for Fun effort in Elgin designed to teach youngsters about the sport of angling. Jones also has helped raise money for the Elgin Parks and Recreation Foundation, which works to preserve the city’s parks and to provide recreational opportunities for the community.

And last fall, Jones and the Ikes, with assistance from retailer Cabela’s, opened an archery range for public use on the grounds of the Hanover Township Izaak Walton Center.

“My wife, Jan, comes to shoot arrows with me at the range. She’s involved in the community, too, especially with the AAUW (American Association of University Women),” Jones said.

Karin Jones noted other groups with which her father

has been involved over the decades have included the Sheridan Elementary School PTA, the Girl Scouts, YMCA Camp Edwards in Wisconsin, the Elgin Pelican Swim Team, local election campaigns, insurance industry groups, and the Downtown Neighborhood Association. The Kirkpatrick, Jones and Herzog Insurance Agency for which she works remains located in the downtown; her father keeps an adjacent storefront dedicated to the Izaak Walton League.

Bill Jones also is a member of the Fox Valley chapter of the Model T Ford Club International, which holds a car show and a re-enactment of the Elgin Road Race each August. Jones owns a 1929 Model A as well as a 1959 Chevy station wagon.

Asked why he does so much volunteer work, Jones had a simple answer.

“It makes me feel good,” he said.

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# Pat Laschober

## Teaching career led to work with domestic violence center

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As the daughter of a Chicago police officer, Pat Laschober said she struggled with her career path — law enforcement or teaching.

She chose the latter, and in doing so it put her on a path of volunteering for the Crisis Center for South Suburbia, which annually assists more than 2,000 people who are victims of domestic abuse.

The 72-year-old Mokena woman was recognized in June by the center with its 2018 Volunteer Spirit Award for her 23 years of work for the Tinley Park center. She spends four hours each Thursday at the center, with her primary job being staffing the agency's 24-hour emergency hotline.

Laschober spent 34 years in the Chicago Public Schools system, mainly teaching eighth grade in inner-city neighborhoods. Before retiring in 2007, she worked as a counselor at a school in Chicago's Englewood community.

"Once I started teaching I knew that was it," Laschober said of making the right career choice.

As a teacher, Laschober said, "several students confided in me they had turmoil in their lives," referring to witnessing domestic abuse.

She said she knew of the work the crisis center was doing, but she wanted to wait until her three children were older "so I could fully commit" to volunteering.

While some of the students who confided in her might not have been direct victims of verbal or physical abuse, she said it was clear that what they were experiencing at home was impacting their ability to function in the classroom.



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Pat Laschober volunteers at the Crisis Center for South Suburbia in Tinley Park.

"When somebody is in pain, emotional pain, it's very hard," she said.

Volunteering for the crisis center made her more patient and a better teacher, Laschober said. Through the center, she said, the parent of one of her students "who was in a domestic situation" was able to get help.

"She was one of the big success stories," she said.

She said that during one of her volunteer shifts, a young woman called out to her "Mrs. Laschober!," who in turn recognized her as one of her former students. She was at the center with her three children.

"I remembered her well. I taught her and her brother," Laschober said. "She was so thrilled to be here, that there was help available."

Her primary job during her shift is staffing the hotline, but Laschober said she will "help out with anything that needs to be done," such as completing intake paperwork for domestic violence victims coming to the shelter.

"Some of the women are angry, distraught," when first arriving at the center, she said. "Then you can see the transfor-

mation in them and how much this place is helping them."

In handling calls on the hotline, Laschober said, "Sometimes it's a matter of active listening, and sometimes they are in immediate danger and need shelter."

In calling the crisis center hotline, "for a lot of them it's the last straw. They've tried everything else, and they don't know what to do."

In announcing Laschober as this year's winner of the Volunteer Spirit Award, Deonne Senese, the crisis center's volunteer and training coordinator, said she "has a keen sense of what victims of domestic violence need" when they call the hotline.

She called Laschober "one of the most passionate and dedicated people I have ever met."

The crisis center was founded in 1979 by Dianne Masters, who, with other volunteers, set up a hotline in the kitchen of her home for women involved in violent domestic situations. She herself was involved in a volatile relationship with her husband, a prominent southwest suburban attorney.

In 1982, Masters' body was found in the trunk of her car,

submerged in a canal in Willow Springs. Her skull had been crushed and she had been shot twice in the head.

In 1989, a federal jury convicted Masters' husband and two law enforcement officials of conspiring to kill Dianne Masters.

The crisis center annually holds the Dianne Masters Cup golf outing, which raises money for the center. Another source of funding are sales at its two Neat Repeats resale shops in Orland Park and Worth. Along with shelter and counseling, the center also offers financial help, job skills training, transitional housing and legal assistance.

She said that people coming to the shelter will receive vouchers to get clothing and other items at the center's resale shops.

"Some of the people come here with just the clothes on their back," she said.

Laschober said that, in volunteering, "I'm getting more out of it than I'm giving."

"In a small way I'm part of a bigger picture," she said. "It's a comfort for me knowing there are places like this out there that are doing a lot of good."

The same month she received the award for her volunteer work, Laschober and her husband, Bill, celebrated 50 years of marriage. He spent 34 years in the Chicago Public Schools system, teaching geography at Tilden High School and then spending many years as an assistant principal of the school, Laschober said.

The couple have three grown children, including a son, Bill, who recently began work as a science teacher at Stagg High School in Palos Hills.

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# Vickie Marasco

Art provides nonjudgmental outlet for emotions

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Vickie Marasco put a big blank canvas and a bunch of tubes of paint on a tarp in the center of the room.

The group of nine adolescents, all in treatment for substance abuse and addiction, were tasked with working together to create a piece of art.

"It was so interesting watching them talk to each other," Marasco said. "They were very respectful not to go over somebody else's (work) or they asked each other's permission. Some were very anxious about their space. Watching them work together is just fascinating."

The canvas was painted about four years ago, part of an experiment that turned into the nonprofit Art Impact Project, which has the painting hanging in its new Lake Bluff center.

Marasco's son, then in high school, was struggling with addiction and spent six months in an intensive outpatient addiction rehab program.

She noticed during family therapies that the adolescents would never share and would sit through the sessions with their arms crossed.

"It wasn't doing them any good," said Marasco, 59, of Lake Forest.

After her son graduated from the program, Marasco approached the provider, Presence Behavioral Health, about trying an art-based program, and it really seemed to help.

"Art is a way of expressing yourself and the way that we deliver the program there's no judgment," Marasco said.



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Art Impact Project founder and director, Vickie Marasco, center, instructs an art class at the Bridge House in Waukegan on Aug. 16.

"We're not judging the art. We're not analyzing them. We're not one more therapist that's analyzing them. We're just sitting side by side with them, doing art projects."

Marasco, a textile designer by trade who was the curator of Waukegan's Urban Edge about a year ago, has remained the nonprofit's founder and executive director as it grew, she said, crediting her seven-member board of directors with the careful and methodical approach to the nonprofit's growth.

Her goals were "really ambitious" and it's amazing what

she's accomplished in just four years, said David Motley, who sits on the nonprofit's board of directors and volunteers as an art advocate.

"It was not always easy, but she did it with grace and confidence," Motley said. "Setting a goal and running toward it and accomplishing it, it's not easy. It doesn't come without knocks. I'm very lucky to know Vickie. I get to see firsthand the results of this investment of time and talent and treasure. I've seen that transformation not (only) in the participants, but also in Vickie."

The nonprofit now works

with high schools, at-risk middle school students, recently released inmates and kids who are in and out of the juvenile justice system, she said. A pilot program with the Lake County Jail also kicked off this August.

Shaquille Harrell, a resident at Nicasa's Bridge House, a halfway house in Waukegan, stumbled into the art program.

Bridge House had a day planned at the beach a few months ago. Harrell went for the volleyball but decided to give the art therapy program a go.

"I pour what I feel internally onto the paper," he said.



While in Lake County Jail, Harrell had plenty of time to write, but between work and trying to put his life back together, he just doesn't have that same time, he said. Art provides that outlet and gives him the same feeling that he got from writing.

Ralph Rodriguez, also a Bridge House resident, attended his first class with Marasco after being "volun-told" to go, he said. Now, he goes willingly.

Alex Stojanovic, Bridge House's facility coordinator, said he's often surprised by which residents — who come to Bridge House from the Lake County Jail, the county's drug court and Sheridan Correctional Center — take to the program. He had expected more of a traditional arts and crafts program but he

said he appreciates the larger message tied into each activity.

"To see a big, burly guy that (thinks) 'I ain't gonna do this' come out and say, 'Wow, I'm glad I gave it a chance,' " Stojanovic said. "To see the change in a person, it's kind of why we're here."

Art helps him with his anger issues, Rodriguez said. He pointed at the masks that line the wall in the front art room and said when he designed a mask last year, it had a Day of the Dead theme. He said he thinks if he made one now it'd be a little more colorful.

The masks were inspired by a different project called "Masks Inside Out" in which high school students cut out words and pictures from magazines and use them to decorate a plain

paper mask so that it represents them.

The Art Impact Project started working with masks three years ago after a request from Lake Forest High School for a freshmen wellness class as part of a larger push around mental health.

The assignment reached about 400 students that first year, she said. This past spring, more than 1,000 Waukegan freshmen participated in a weeklong workshop organized in partnership with the Waukegan-based nonprofit Beacon Place.

Each project is designed to subtly start a conversation, either during the work itself or a sharing time at the end, Marasco said.

Often she'll get in her car

after a session and just cry, she said.

"There's young kids that are going through some really horrible things, and there's older people who so want to be better," she said. "They just really struggle with staying out of trouble, staying off heroin. It's tough to see, but I don't think there's been one session where I didn't feel like there's been a moment that somebody's been able to feel better."

Those are the moments — even when there are 20 tough things for every good moment — that keep her going and make her feel this is what they're supposed to be doing, she said.

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# Amy Radolak

So involved, Hammond named a park after her

BY CRAIG LYONS | Post-Tribune

No Name Park in Hammond's Hessville section wasn't much to look at.

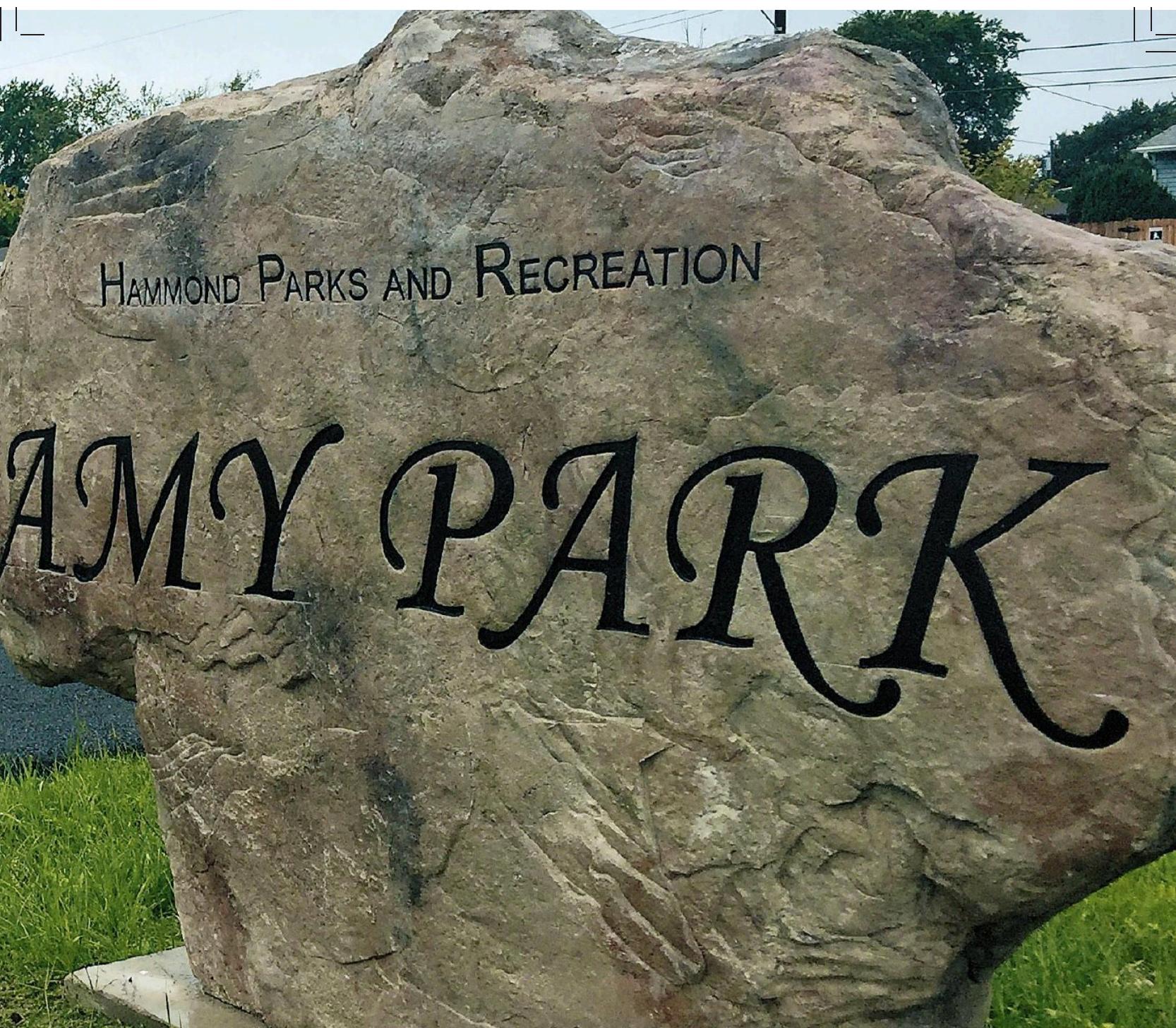
The park had a rundown baseball field backstop, an old climber and little else.

"It was just a plain empty field," said Amy Radolak, a Hessville resident.

Radolak, a coach with Girls on the Run, thought No Name Park had potential. Her group of girls wanted to plant flowers and trees and install a track around the land, getting the blessing from Hammond's Parks Department.

With the city's support, Radolak's Girls on the Run group wrangled support for supplies; Hammond Councilman Scott Rakos jumped in; and so did Mayor Thomas McDermott Jr.

"It just started coming together," Radolak, 40, said. "When people see good things happening, they want to jump on



board.”

The city saw fit when the park rehab was done to give it a new name: Amy Park, for the volunteer who helped give the field new life.

Radolak, who lives with her husband and three children, said she enjoys working to make her community better. Radolak said Hessville is a little community in a big city, and she wants to see it grow.

“I’m excited to be active in my community,” Radolak said.

Radolak’s efforts are nothing new. She’s volunteered at schools, worked on blood drives, put together hurricane relief efforts and helped rebuild a Michigan City veteran’s home. Radolak said she works closely with Home Depot, union groups and other organizations to pull off these projects.

Radolak said when she finds a project,

she jumps in right away.

“It’s my passion,” she said.

Rakos said during his time on the Common Council, he’s gotten used to government sometimes moving slowly, but that’s never been the case with a project Radolak is doing.

“You put her on something and she goes after it,” Rakos said. “She doesn’t sit on her laurels.”

Radolak said she doesn’t like to take credit for her work, as it’s just as much a credit to the people who join the efforts. She said the projects happen because of the other residents, groups, unions and companies who all chip in.

Radolak said she’s only the one making the phone calls.

“It really does take a team and a community to make things happen,” Radolak said.

The City of Hammond named a neglected park Amy Park to recognize Amy Radolak, who got a Girls on the Run group to spruce up the space.

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“If she needs something done, she won’t let anyone blow it off,” Rakos said.

The work at Amy Park was only the beginning.

“Ever since then, things have snowballed,” Radolak said.

In December 2017, Radolak was elected president of the Hessville Commerce and Community Creative organization.

Through the HC3 group, Radolak is working to rehabilitate a former Hessville library and turn it into a community center.

Hammond sought proposals of what to do with the long-vacant library, and the HC3 put in a proposal that was accepted by the city.

Once the group had the building, Radolak said she had a moment and asked, “What did we just do?”

Radolak and the other board members began pulling together support from Home Depot, the American Legion and Indiana Landmarks, among others, to revive the old library.

“These are true community projects,” Radolak said. “Everybody has their hands in it.”

HC3 has had a lot of support from the city for its projects, Radolak said, and many non-profit organizations don’t have the same relationship with a community.



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Amy Radolak, of Hammond, Ind., is currently working with a community organization to rehab a long-vacant library in the city’s Hessville neighborhood.

“It’s more support than I expected,” Radolak said. “It’s been amazing.”

The city has put its gaming dollars toward projects, Rakos said, and Radolak uses that to leverage support from other groups.

“When you have that kind of dynamic going on, it works,” Rakos said.

Since this spring, the build-

ing got a new roof, asbestos and mold was cleaned out, Radolak said, and work to upgrade the electrical and heating and cooling system will soon be underway.

“She’s not moved slowly,” Rakos said, and Radolak knows who to contact for help and who can donate something.

HC3 first hoped to have roof finished in time for winter,

Rakos said, and through Amy’s efforts, that is done and electricity and a new heating and cooling system will be ready by that time.

“That’s totally because of Amy,” he said. “She’s the one that gets that stuff done.”

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# Itedal Shalabi and Nareman Taha

South suburban women help link Arab Americans to social services

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As the children of immigrants, Itedal Shalabi and Nareman Taha have spent their lives straddling the line between two worlds.

Born in the Middle East, but raised mostly in the United States, Shalabi and Taha have made a career out of bridging the cultural gap between East and West, Arab and American, traditional and modern.

The women, who run an Arab American social service agency in the southwest suburbs, help clients navigate the country's complex benefits system, which can be confusing even for native English speakers familiar with American institutions and culture.

"The Eastern part of the world is about 'my family.' I am the last person to worry about what I want. I put my parents, my siblings, my husband, my kids all ahead of me," said Taha, a 42-year-old Palos Park resident of Palestinian descent. "Now you're coming to the West, I'm putting myself first and everybody behind me. How do you bring both worlds together?"

Shalabi, 50, of Bridgeview, and Taha founded Arab American Family Services in early 2001, shortly after getting to know one another while working for a behavioral health company they felt was doing a disservice to the Arab community.



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Nareman Taha, co-founder of Arab American Family Services and an organizer of a rally at the Palos Township Office on July 10, 2017, calls for the resignation of Trustee Sharon Brannigan over remarks she made on Facebook about Islam, Muslims and Middle Eastern students

"They weren't really invested in the community," Taha said. "It was, for them, a money-making business that we said 'we didn't want anything to do with this.' But we did want the service and the love and the pride and the passion, so we said ... 'let's just start our own business.'"

"(Our parents) didn't have an agency like ours to come in and say 'how do I navigate through the system?'" Shalabi said.

Seventeen years after its founding, Arab American Family Services serves nearly 13,000 families throughout the Chicago area and employs more than 30 staff members.

In addition to helping connect families with benefits and services, the organization offers programming in areas like domestic violence, mental health, immigration and elder care.

The female-led agency's

ascend has faced some push back from more conservative elements within the Arab community that haven't always been comfortable with women holding leadership positions.

"We told the men we want a seat at the table, they didn't know what the heck to do with us. They still don't know what to do with us," Shalabi said. "We're strong women, and we're independent, and we want to make a difference in



our community, too.”

She said that, from the beginning, the agency hasn’t wavered in doing what it believes is in the best interest of the community and future generations of Arab Americans, even if it has meant bringing issues like domestic violence, child abuse and mental health to the forefront.

“It’s always like we were coming at issues that, while everybody wanted to sweep it under the carpet, we were sweeping it right back into the mainstream,” Shalabi said.

While the women said they’ve butted heads with local imams and community members who hold more patriarchal views, they recognize the importance of meeting

people where they’re at, without passing judgment.

“Everyone has their perspective and everyone has a different outlook on how they take on solutions,” Taha said.

Being able to approach their clients’ issues from a place of understanding has enabled the women to bridge the chasm that can exist between Arab and American cultures, they said.

In one recent instance, after the agency placed a “promiscuous” woman in a domestic violence shelter because she feared what her father would do to her, the man came seeking information about his daughter’s whereabouts.

While Shalabi said she refused to reveal

the daughter’s location, she understood the father’s perspective and treated him as a concerned parent and not an offender.

“Those are the kinds of things where mainstream says you shouldn’t talk to a perpetrator, but we don’t look at him as a perpetrator in that stand, (but as) someone who’s a victim of his own culture and his own lack of knowledge and his own view of ‘how could my daughter do this,’ ” she said.

Shalabi’s introduction to social work arose out of a situation where traditional Arab culture collided with the American legal system.

After high school, she’d been living in an apartment building where, as one of the only English speakers, she served as a



translator for many of the other tenants.

When the Department of Children and Family Services removed the son of one of her neighbors after the woman burned the boy with a heated spatula, Shalabi got involved, attending meetings between the woman and the agency.

“I ended up going with her to a lot of these sessions and a lot of these trainings,” she said. “Everybody would say, ‘Are you her social worker?’ I’m like, ‘What the hell is a social worker?’ ”

The experience moved her to enroll in college, where, in between raising three boys, she studied social work and eventually graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Taha, who also attended UIC, had been on the pre-med path there until taking a neuroscience class that inspired her to switch to psychology.

After finishing school, her best friend — who happened to be Shalabi’s cousin — put the women in contact. A short time later, they launched Arab American Family Services with the goal of giving community members a place to get culturally-sensitive social assistance.

Shalabi credits her and her partner’s embrace of client-centered care — which she said can be difficult for some culturally conservative Arabs to accept and understand — with their upbringings.

“Both of us have open-minded fathers,”

Itedal Shalabi, left, and Nareman Taha run Arab American Family Services, a Bridgeview-based social service agency that, since its founding in 2001, has catered to the unique cultural needs of Arab Americans.

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she said.

The women also take pride in knowing that community members view them as strong female role models, Taha said.

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# Anna Shura

Helping keep the library relevant to teens

BY ERIN HEGARTY | Naperville Sun

Naperville resident Anna Shura spends her summer break helping others register for and get prizes from the Naperville Public Library's summer reading program, sits on the library's teen advisory committee and dresses up in "Harry Potter" garb to help others enjoy an annual wizard-themed day in downtown Naperville and at the Nichols Library.

The 16-year-old Neuqua Valley High School junior has been volunteering at Naperville Public Library's 95th Street location for six years. She's always been an avid reader and hopes her volunteer work with the library — a place she enjoys reading and wandering — helps cultivate the love for books in others, especially younger children.

Before school started back up this year, Shura sat at a desk for two hours every Monday to assist other teens participating



Naperville resident Anna Shura sits at a desk on the second floor of Naperville's 95th Street library waiting to help participants in the library's summer reading program. ERIN HEGARTY/NAPERVILLE SUN PHOTOS

***“I think it’s really important to keep it relevant and as a place that people of all ages can come to and enjoy books.”***



in the library’s summer reading program.

Shura got her start in volunteering at the 95th Street location with the library’s children’s summer reading program, something she said is crucial in keeping kids and teens turning pages, even when they’re not in school.

“I enjoy being here, and every summer I do this because there’s always a demand for giving out prizes and helping people register,” Shura said. “It really encourages kids to keep reading, which I think is a really awesome thing. And at the high school age you don’t really have a lot of time to read during the school year for fun, so I think it gives a lot of people kind of a good excuse to sit down with a book over the summer.”

The library’s summer reading programs — one each for children, teens and adults — are successful due in part to the people who volunteer their time to help out, said Kevin Wonch, teen librarian for Naperville’s 95th Street library.

“Anna is really outgoing and really seeks out different opportunities. She is really willing to help out and go the extra mile for staff,” Wonch said. Volunteer work from Shura and others helps ensure programs like summer reading run smoothly with all the moving pieces and people involved, Wonch said.

Some of the other volunteer opportunities Shura seizes include sitting on the library’s teen advisory group — a cohort of teens from grades six through 12 at each library location that provides input on how to keep the library relevant to their peers —

and helping with activities during Naperville’s annual “Harry Potter” themed day.

At this year’s celebration, Shura helped in preparations for a station where attendees made their own dragon eggs. Shura, who enjoys exploring fantasy books, is a self-confessed huge “Harry Potter” fan, and re-reads the series annually. So, of course, she dressed the part while volunteering.

“I usually have on a cloak of some sort, I definitely get into it. It’s fun,” Shura said. “One of my favorite parts of being there is you can clearly tell the different kinds of age groups — there’s teens like myself who have kind of grown up with it and really enjoy it, and there’s the young adults who have now brought their children in and are kind of introducing them to ‘Harry Potter,’ and then there’s the elementary schoolers who are just getting into it. It’s like the full age spectrum.”

The volunteers help keep the crafts and activities going and keep children engaged throughout the magical day.

As a teenager who has enjoyed coming to the library and hauling books home since she was a young child, Shura places importance in her role on the library’s teen team. Many teens use the library after school as a “second resource” for space and materials, so it’s important to keep the library relevant to that age group, Shura said.

That means keeping text books available for students to borrow and ensuring there are enough small rooms students use for group projects and to study for exams.

Each of Naperville's three libraries has its own teen advisory group that meets once a month. The teens take on projects like creating book displays, choosing topical books for each season, writing book club reviews and celebrating things like tech week with displays. Teen advisory team members also volunteer as a group with organizations outside the library like Feed My Starving Children.

"It's a group that is able to do things, and if the library ever needs help, it's just kind of a group of teens they can call upon to volunteer," Shura said.

Shura has been a crucial part of the teen team, Wonch said.

"Teens use the library often and may not know how to give feedback, which is why (teen advisory group) team is important," Wonch said. "It gives them a really good opportunity to be involved and have some ownership over the library and how it's run. Anna has been a good example of taking ownership, and the library benefits because of it."

As Shura is in her junior year of high school, she's already thinking she wants to study something in the English field in college. She plans on continuing her volunteer work at the library — a place she "enjoys a lot" — through the rest of her high school years.

"Ever since I was little, I remember getting like 30 books at once and just going on vacation and bringing all of them, so it's a place I really like wandering around and appreciating. I think especially in an age where you can get so many things downloaded onto an iPad or a Kindle or whatever choice of reading you have, it's nice to still have a place that you can browse the shelves," Anna said. "I think it's really important to keep it relevant and as a place that people of all ages can come to and enjoy books."

And her volunteer work with various facets of the library is surely helping to keep the space relevant.

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# Isha Srinivasan

Teenager introduces kids to STEM

By SUZANNE BAKER | Naperville Sun



On first glance, Isha Srinivasan is a typical, outgoing teenager.

A senior at Naperville North High School, Srinivasan brags about how she managed to squeeze her way to the front of the stage to see her favorite bands perform at all four days of Lollapalooza this summer.

She likes the freedom of having a driver's license, and she plays on the varsity volleyball team. What's not so typical is this 17-year-old's passion for science, technology, engineering and mathematics, or STEM, and how she single-handedly worked the hourly equivalent of 11 and a half days of volunteering time for the Alive Center in Naperville.

With that much time devoted to the teen drop-in center, it's no surprise Srinivasan serves as one of the presidents of the cen-

ter's Student Advisory Board and leads the organization's STEM committee.

"If I had to pick one word for Isha Srinivasan, I would say leader. If I added a couple of more, I would add fearless and giving," said Kandice Henning, the Alive Center's executive director.

Henning said Srinivasan walked into the Alive Center as a sophomore because she wanted to offer a free computer science class for middle school students. The answer was a resounding yes.

Up until then Srinivasan had only run into roadblocks.

"She had been to other places who had wanted her to pay rent," Henning said.

"I'm 15 (years old). I don't have money," Srinivasan said. "Then I came to the Alive Center, and they welcomed me with open arms."

Isha Srinivasan approached the Alive Center in Naperville when she wanted to teach computer classes for junior-high aged kids. Two years later, she is focusing on helping young girls get interested in STEM.

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Srinivasan taught the programming language Python weekly from January through May.

"I wanted to give them the basics of computer programming. I'm not trying to teach them how to be the next Steve Jobs or Bill Gates," she said.

Henning said in the two year since, Srinivasan has led two computer science clubs for middle schoolers, three STEM camps for girls grades four through eight, and three STEM Exploration Days for families.

"And I truly mean that she has led them," Henning added. "Isha has single-handedly volunteered 275 hours and introduced STEM to over 800 kids from ages 4-12."

Henning said Srinivasan is a role model for some many girls interested in STEM. "And my favorite part is that she makes STEM fun. Her commitment to our community and to STEM continues to go above and beyond," Henning said.

Srinivasan said she wanted to work with junior high-age girls because around that time kids start thinking about what track they want to pursue in high school.

At minimum, Srinivasan said she wanted to teach girls how to better communicate so they won't be intimidated if they choose to focus on a STEM education.

She said working with younger teens is a chance to offer advice from a closer perspective.

"I'm not old enough to be an adult, but I can say, 'Hey, I went through that a few years ago,'" Srinivasan said. "I would have loved to have that when I was growing up."

The leadership roles she's pursued have opened the opportunity for Srinivasan to be a voice for her peers. And adults are listening. Srinivasan assisted in acquiring the funding and equipment for the Alive Center's STEM expansion work.



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Isha Srinivasan, 17, of Naperville volunteered 275 hours for the Alive Center in Naperville and introduced STEM to more than 800 kids from ages 4-12. She is a senior at Naperville North High School.

"As teenagers we don't get a lot of chances to speak up," she said. "I have a voice, and it's amazing that I get to use it"

Srinivasan recognizes that not everyone is as gregarious as she is. But that doesn't mean they can't be great leaders too, she said.

What Srinivasan likes to do is first build the confidence in quieter individuals and then give them opportunities for leadership. As a result, Srinivasan is developing a network to carry on when she goes off to college.

In addition to her work with the Alive Center and playing on the varsity volleyball team, Srinivasan serves as president

of Naperville North's National Honor Society, participates in career education program known as DECA and was a member of the Junior Board.

"I don't have a lot of free time, and that's the way I like it," Srinivasan said. "Time management is really big for me."

Juggling school, sports and school-related activities along with volunteering was a challenge until Srinivasan learned to delegate.

"It was hard for me to ask for help," she said. "Asking for help isn't a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength."

Now into her senior year of high school, Srinivasan is in the midst of applying to colleges.

Her plan is to major in computer science and perhaps business so she can create her own business. "I love the startup culture," she added.

Srinivasan is not sure what field, though she knows it must have a philanthropic side. She said perseverance has been the key to her success thus far, and she expects it will carry her forward.

"It's hard to beat a person who never gives up," said Srinivasan, noting the quote from baseball great Babe Ruth is stenciled on the back of her Huskies volleyball T-shirt.

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# Ken Van Kley

Engineer devoted five years of his retirement to help Wayside Cross build its new \$8M Aurora facility

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In many ways, Ken Van Kley is convinced his 71 years of life was preparing him for a volunteer effort that he personally believes is his greatest and most fulfilling project.

For five years, Van Kley, a Vietnam vet and retired engineer with Caterpillar, took on the role as project manager for the \$8 million renovation of Wayside Cross Ministries, which is celebrating its 90th anniversary as an organization that helps the Fox Valley community's most vulnerable.

And we're not just talking about part-time volunteerism, noted Wayside Executive Director James Lukose ... Or even full-time for that matter.

"I'd get up at 5:30 or 6 in the morning, open my email and see messages from Ken he sent at 4:30 about this project," Lukose said. "He breathed it for 40, 60 even 80 hours a week. Even when he wasn't here, we would be texting or talking on the phone."

Van Kley admits when he first heard about the lofty goal of renovating and rebuilding the 43,000-square-foot building at 215 E. New York St. in Aurora, "I had little faith it would ever happen," because the cost of the project was millions of dollars more than the nonprofit group had on hand.

But he and Lukose both believe God had a hand in bringing things together for the organization that includes a



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Ken Van Kley, who lead the multi-million dollar renovation of Wayside Cross Ministries in Aurora, checks out the plumbing in the new kitchen.

prison ministry, help for addicts and homeless and housing for women and children.

One of his first victories was securing a new market tax credit that bumped up the capital campaign a couple million dollars and enabled them to go out for bids in October of 2013.

But there were plenty of hurdles they hit almost from the get-go — including re-

inforcement of the west wall of the men's dormitory to prevent it from collapsing — at a cost of \$100,000.

How critical was overcoming that bump in the road?

"If we would have lost that wall," Van Kley noted, "the city would have condemned the building and Wayside would have been out of business."

And even after that, he noted, "it did not get easier."

Not only did he and his team need another \$100,000 to haul out almost 3,300 tons of contaminated soil, another unexpected \$200,000 was required to remove more than 2,500 tons of bedrock to get the new basement up to code.

These unexpected costs, Van Kley said, not only reduced the money they had in their contingency plan, it also took up all the funds they had set aside for



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Ken Van Kley was honored at a recent event marking the 90th anniversary of Wayside Cross Ministries in Aurora for spearheading a multi-million construction project that saved hundreds of thousands of dollars for the nonprofit organization that works with the Fox Valley's most vulnerable citizens.

furniture.

"We needed to stay focused," Lukose said, "just to get out of the hole."

And no one but Van Kley, could have "helped me keep my sanity," Lukose added. "To have somebody with Ken's expertise and years of experience made all the difference."

According to the executive director, no matter how many hurdles the project faced, things just seemed to work out. For example, Wayside received a donation of hundreds of thousands of dollars in used office furniture; and a local Realtor donated a nearby building for use by the Wayside staff for two years while the building was under construction.

"From a human perspective," Lukose insisted, "no one could have done what he did. Ken is a unique individual. As an engineer, he is a no-nonsense guy, tougher than nails when he needs to be but with another side that is softer than silk. Plus, he has very high ethics."

Whether he was dealing with funding agencies or banks or contractors, "Ken had to sell the story of what a beautiful place this is, using his brain as well as his heart," Lukose added.

What helped is that so many people fell in love with the story of Wayside. Even bankers, who care mostly about numbers, "were moved to compassion by the stories they heard,"

Lukose said.

In addition to his commitment to Wayside, Van Kley, married to wife Karen for over 47 years, also serves as the chairman of buildings and grounds committee for First Presbyterian Church in Aurora and volunteers at Hesus House, serving breakfast to the homeless there.

And even though the new facility is now up and running, there are still times building-related needs arise. And Van Kley, Lukose said, is always there to help whenever he is called upon.

There's no doubt the man has a servant's heart, but Lukose said his efforts go beyond volunteerism.

Had Van Kley not offered his services, Wayside Cross would have had to pay a professional to lead the project. And that likely would have meant an additional \$500,000 in fees the organization would have had to come up with, Lukose said.

Van Kley smiles when he hears those numbers. He doesn't deny them. But he quickly notes, "I am the one who is blessed."

"I felt in many ways I was preparing my entire life for this," he said. "It very much was the highlight of my career."

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# April Yates, Shelly Fink and Debora Herrera

Three women formed the Northwest Indiana Nurse Honor Guard to provide services at local nurses' funerals

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Debora Herrera wanted to find a way to honor her mother's more than 30 years of working as a nurse at her funeral.

"I had heard about the nursing honor guard in the past and saw a couple of videos and thought that would be wonderful," Herrera said.

She found honor guards in Michigan and central Indiana, but Herrera wasn't able to locate a group that provided those services around Crown Point, where Herrera and her mother, Gloria L. Hallmark, who died in July, lived.

Through some phone calls and Facebook searching, Herrera met April Yates and Shelly Fink, other Northwest Indiana nurses looking to create something similar in the area.

"It really kind of fell into place out of the need and desire to serve our sister nurses," Fink said.

Together they formed the Northwest Indiana Nurse Honor Guard, and in recent months they have already provided their services for two nurses' funerals, including Hallmark's.

The women contacted area funeral homes and offered their five-minute-or-so service to anyone interested, free of charge. If they get a request,



APRIL YATES

Shelly Fink, from left, April Yates, Kristina Grigutis and Debora Herrera wear traditional nursing uniforms as part of the Northwest Indiana Nurse Honor Guard.

they find a handful of their volunteers who would be available for the funeral, Yates said.

Fink described the group like a military or police honor guard.

"We are of the same type of concept but for nursing," Fink said.

At the funeral, the guard's volunteers wear the traditional uniform: white hat, white dress, white shoes and a cape.

"A lot of white," Yates chuckled.

The honor guard reads a prayer and the Nightingale Tribute to reflect on the nurse's

years of service.

"Nursing is a calling, a lifestyle, a way of living," the tribute begins.

Then they ring a triangle three times and present the nurse's family with the Lamp of Knowledge.

"It releases the nurse respectfully of her earthly nursing duties," Fink said. "It's a very emotional, powerful service that we do."

To have that at her mother's funeral, Herrera said, "was an honor."

"It was a pleasure," Herrera said. "It helped me get some

closure also."

Herrera, Yates and Fink all work in the area. Herrera, 40, of Crown Point, is a hospice nurse. Yates, 32, of Valparaiso, works in inpatient rehab. And Fink, 38, of Griffith, is at an outpatient lab at a surgery center.

Before forming the honor guard, the three hadn't met each other before. Yates and Herrera met on a nursing Facebook group. Meanwhile, Fink and Yates were both in contact with a central Indiana honor guard group without realizing what the other was working on.

"It all came together and we

met in the parking lot of the uniform store," Herrera laughed.

Their mission was to get a group assembled in time for Hallmark's funeral over the summer. But before then, another nurse in the area died in a car accident.

"I messaged April and I was like, I know we're not ready but can we be ready?" Fink said.

They contacted the funeral home, and the nurse's family accepted their honor guard services. So, Fink's mother, Shirley Smith, who is also a retired nurse, and a few others sewed the group's capes in a couple of days.

Four of the volunteers from the honor guard went to the funeral for the woman, who was a house supervisor at a local hospital for decades, Fink said.

"Everyone in the hospital knows her ... She oversees the whole production," Fink said.

At the end of their service, the honor guard asked all the nurses in attendance to stand for the final roll call, Yates said.

"And like almost half the room stood up. There were so many nurses in attendance. It was very moving. Just not a dry eye," Fink said.

"Nurses develop a special relationship together that nobody else quite understands," Yates said.

Fink said, "You face life and death every single day together. You see things that you should never, most people shouldn't



see or handle. But we do it."

"And we have each other to lean on," Yates added.

Yates went to nursing school after she saw how hospital staff cared for friends in high school who were injured. She's done long-term care, hospice and worked as an emergency room nurse, she said.

Herrera was drawn to the profession after seeing her mom do the job.

"She was always very caring and a caregiver. And it's my nature. I've always wanted to take care of people," Herrera said.

Fink's mother and aunt were nurses. Fink, however, "had no

desire to go into nursing" herself and didn't think she could handle the job, she said.

When Fink's grandmother was in hospice, Fink took shifts to take care of her grandmother and learned from her certified nursing assistant along the way.

"I learned everything I thought I was afraid of, I loved



to do for her," Fink said. "I did watch her deteriorate and die ... But that time with her and to be able to be there for her when she was most vulnerable, I felt very needed and useful and I wanted to do that more."

Herrera said, "Our occupation is kind of like no other. We see a little bit of the worst in

humanity and the best."

Nurses have a "special bond," Herrera said, and "once there's no longer that person there, I feel like we should honor them for everything they've done."

"It's not the things they did when anyone was watching. It's the hand you held when nobody was there, the compassion

you gave when no one was there," Herrera said.

In the future, the Northwest Indiana Nurse Honor Guard hopes "to honor as many nurses as we can," Yates said.

"That's the goal," she said.

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April Yates, left, Shelly Fink, center, and Debora Herrera, right, formed the Northwest Indiana Honor Guard to provide free services for nurses at their funerals.

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# Frankie Zepeda

Aurora coach draws on his own background to work with youth

BY SARAH FREISHTAT | The Beacon-News

Nearly a decade after Frankie Zepeda moved from Aurora to nearby Yorkville, his uncle asked him to return to help coach a youth wrestling team on the city's East Side. He walked into his first practice and stepped onto a wrestling mat for the first time in maybe 20 years.

Years later, Zepeda's coaching work dominates his weekdays for at least part of the year. During the season, he estimated he spends more than a dozen hours each week volunteering with the Tomcat Wrestling Club on Aurora's East Side. When the seasons overlap, the youth wrestling club practices come after Zepeda's paid gig coaching wrestling at an Aurora middle school, which comes after his day job with East Aurora School District 131. He throws in a few hours of wrestling practice on some weekends and for part of the year devotes time to a youth baseball league.



But to Zepeda, the work with Aurora youth is worth the long hours. He grew up on Aurora's East Side, in the same neighborhood many of the kids in his program come from, and he thinks he and the coaches he works with can help their athletes and in some cases serve as role models.

"Whether it's one kid, five kids, in five years from now if my dad (who works in law enforcement) doesn't have to chase another one of these kids around and arrest them for doing something stupid, the goal has been accomplished," he said. "And it makes room for another leader on the East Side of Aurora."

Zepeda, 35, is president and a coach of the preschool- through eighth-grade Tomcat Wrestling Club, a feeder program for East Aurora School District 131's wrestling program.

After his uncle asked him to become

involved with the wrestling club, he was soon hooked. He decided he wanted to someday become East Aurora's head wrestling coach and, to improve his chances and build a relationship with students and the district, he quit his job in corporate IT and began working in the school district's technology department, he said.

Now, in addition to the volunteer work with the Tomcat wrestling club and baseball, he is the president of the East Aurora sports boosters and is also paid a stipend to coach East Aurora's Simmons Middle School wrestling team.

Zepeda and the other team coaches — some of them Zepeda's family members — work with some athletes he said come from family situations that "may not be ideal." He told of one child who had appeared to be falling in with a gang-affiliated crowd and was referred to the Tomcat wrestling

Frankie Zepeda at a wrestling summer camp in June 2018.

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program by a school resource officer and others who came to the program with “bad attitudes.” He recalled one child whose health he sought to help improve and another from a troubled family who he tried to help become more disciplined and achieve passing grades in school, he said.

“My wife, myself, coaches that coach alongside me, we’re probably the closest thing to parents that (some of them) have,” he said.

Zepeda grew up in East Aurora schools and graduated from East Aurora High School. He played sports growing up, some coached by his stepfather, and wrestled, he said.

By the time he was in high school, his mom and stepfather worked in law enforcement, he said.

Zepeda recalled growing up hearing that he wouldn’t amount to much because he was the son of a young mother. When he became a young father himself, he recalled hearing, “there goes his life.”

He and his wife went to college, but he never got a degree, he said. Still, he said he was able to get a good corporate job.

He moved with his wife and children to Yorkville in 2005. About eight years later, he began coaching with the Tomcat wrestling club, and would then take over as president.

When it came to coaching, he told his wife it was something he felt passionate about, that it was his calling, he said.

“I don’t know what it is, but I need you to support me on this,” he recalled telling her. “You’re going to be kind of the bread winner. My sugar momma.”

The work can be challenging, Zepeda thinks the wrestling club sometimes loses talented athletes to other programs. And dealing with the many parents and sometimes grandparents of his athletes presents a range of personalities, he said. But perhaps most challenging to Zepeda is helping his athletes understand that what they are learning through wrestling — self-confidence, good sportsmanship — can be applicable 10 years from now.

Still, he has become more interested in coaching since he began. He wants to build rapport with students and help build trust, he said. Students might not have the money for equipment, travel or private tourna-



FRANKIE ZEPEDA

Frankie Zepeda is photographed with his children.

ments, but they want to wrestle and believe they can make it to a state tournament or beyond. Sometimes, Zepeda and his wife, other coaches or his parents chip in to help the kids, he said.

“As long as they show up, I’ll be there for them,” he said.

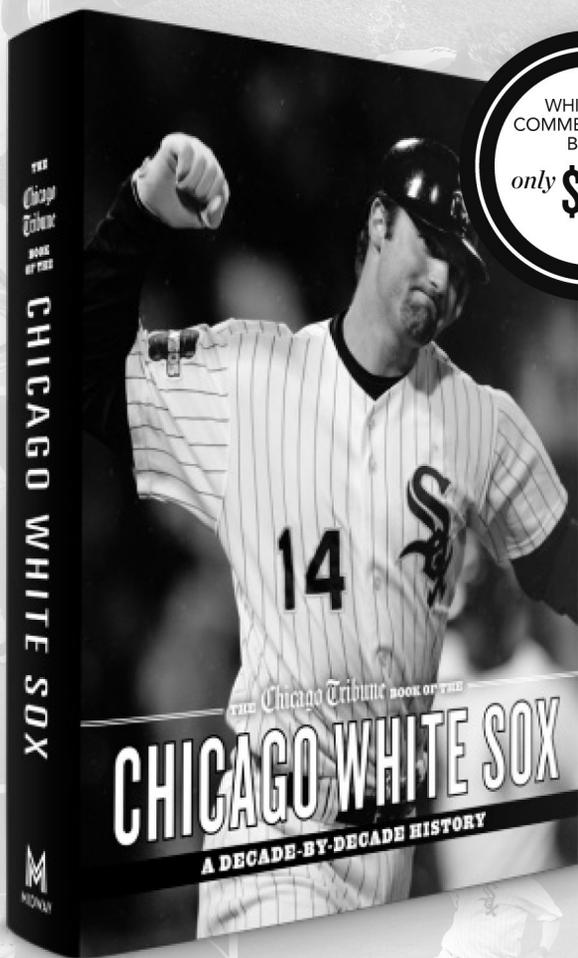
At the end of the day, Zepeda said, by coaching kids he can help show them right from wrong, how to act in front of their peers and people of authority.

“They need to learn how to be respectful and learn things in life are not easy,” he said. “Not everything’s going to come their way. They’re not always going to have a Coach Joe, Coach Frankie, Coach Angel to help them along the way. They have to take what they’ve learned from us ... and try to implement it into everyday life.”

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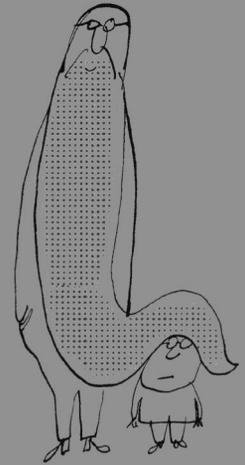
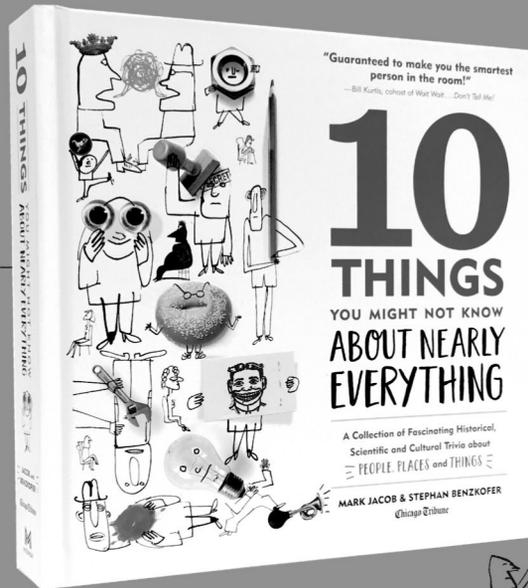
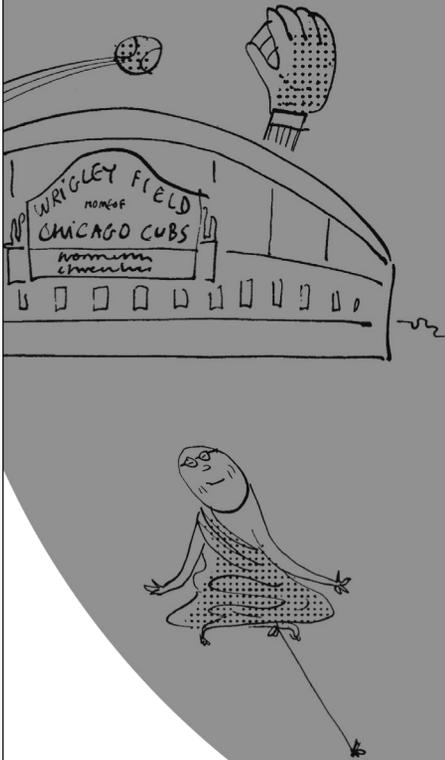
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