



Wis. GOP moves to limit new governor

Evers to ask Walker to veto lame-duck bills

BY SCOTT BAUER AND TODD RICHMOND
Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — The incoming Democratic governor of Wisconsin said Wednesday that he plans to make a personal appeal to his defeated rival, Gov. Scott Walker, to veto far-reaching GOP legislation that would restrict the new administration's powers.

Wisconsin Republicans pushed through protests, internal disagreement and Democratic opposition to pass the bills after an all-night session. The measures would shift power to the GOP-controlled Legislature and weaken the authority of the office Republicans will lose in January.

"The will of the people has officially been ignored by the Legislature," incoming Gov. Tony Evers said, adding that the lawmakers' actions "take us back to Nov. 6," before the election was finalized.

"Wisconsin should be embarrassed by this," Evers said.

He said he will talk to Walker as soon as the bills reach his desk and that if he cannot persuade the gover-

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Ex-Berwyn top cop has new gig, hefty raise

After acquittal in bar fight, he's now Morton College VP

BY TED GREGORY
Chicago Tribune

Weeks after Morton College's accreditation was placed in jeopardy amid questions about whether its governing board acts fairly and ethically, trustees approved a promotion and sizable raise for an administrator and former suburban police chief whose college salary has jumped by 160 percent since 2012.

Frank Marzullo was hired by the Cicero community college in 2007, months after he was acquitted of criminal charges lodged against him while he was public safety director in neighboring Berwyn, stemming from an election night beating outside a steakhouse.

In the latest of a series of promotions he's received since joining the college staff, Marzullo, 67, last week was named Morton's vice president of administrative services with a salary of \$177,000 a year — a \$30,000 raise from his previous position.

"Mr. Frank Marzullo has

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"To us, his was the brightest of a thousand points of light."

—President George W. Bush, eulogizing his father



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George W. Bush looks on as the casket of his father, former President George H.W. Bush is carried into Washington National Cathedral.

Nation bids farewell to 41st president

Remembered as humble statesman, compassionate and imperfect

BY NOAH BIERMAN AND SARAH D. WIRE
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — In a state funeral that leavened pomp with humor, President George H.W. Bush was celebrated Wednesday as a man who melded character with self-deprecation — a statesman who managed the peaceful end of the Cold War and patriarch of one of America's most successful political dynasties.

"To us, his was the brightest of a thousand points of light," said his eldest son, former President George W. Bush, in a funeral service at the National Cathedral in Washington — a reference to his father's oft-quoted call for volunteerism.



MATT SAYLES/AP 2007

President George H.W. Bush

President Donald Trump and America's four other living presidents were among the hundreds of dignitaries and elected leaders who crowded into the pews to

remember the 41st president whose collegial style and grace helped him become increasingly popular as the nation's political chasm widened.

"He accepted that failure is a part of living a full life, but taught us never to be defined by failure," George W. Bush said, choking back tears at one point when recalling his father's devotion to his family.

Eulogies focused on Bush's compassion and foreign policy prowess, which deftly navigated the U.S. and its European allies through the collapse of the Soviet Union and led an international coalition to reverse Iraq's 1991 invasion of Kuwait.

"He stood in the breach of the Cold War

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

"I bet we'll see quite a bit of tourism" when Michigan legalizes possession of weed starting Thursday, says Debra Young, a caregiver who grows medical pot for her patients.

Michigan and Illinois rivalry to go to pot

2 states vie to log 1st recreational Midwest sales

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

When Michigan legalizes possession of marijuana Thursday, the drug will join craft beers, perfect summers and the Upper Peninsula as tourist attractions for out-of-staters.

But Illinoisans should know that, as of now, there is nowhere they can buy marijuana legally in "Pure Michigan," as the state's tourism ads put it. Until

businesses are licensed — which could take more than a year — the drug remains illegal to sell to the general public, illegal to consume in public and illegal to take across state lines.

Those contradictions in the law, as well as the conflict with the ongoing federal ban on pot possession, could mean real problems for both residents and visitors, opponents warned.

But Michigan's experiment could serve as a blueprint for Illinois' own

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JOHN KASS

Bush was a prudent man, and the world better for it

The funeral of former President George H.W. Bush was a great celebration of a noble American patriot.

There were the tears of his son that I won't forget. And there was the respect shown to him by his nation. But it was that nation that had turned him out of office after one term for a most uncivil man, who defiled the Oval Office from the start.

And as Bush was mourned, America was being admonished by a most uncivil media for its general lack of civility.

It was a political funeral, a grand state funeral for a president. One who prudently — yes, prudently — used restraint and prevented nuclear war, as a desperate and frightened nuclear Soviet Union began its final collapse.

George H.W. Bush, 94, had been a young pilot shot down over the Pacific in World War II; and a Texas oilman, congressman, diplomat, director of the CIA, vice president and president. But he was also a father, mourned by his family.

"So through our tears let us see the blessings of knowing and loving you," said his son, former President George W. Bush, the 43rd president, talking of family, and of his late mother, Barbara, and his sister Robin, who died of leukemia as a child.

"A great and noble man, and the best father a son or daughter could have. And in our grief, let us smile knowing that Dad is hugging Robin and holding Mom's hand again."

It was that moment, the son's voice breaking, chest heaving, then pulling himself together and continuing, that will be difficult to forget.

As will the memory of ancient former Sen. Robert Dole, the Kansas Republican and fellow World War II veteran, being helped from his wheelchair to stand and salute Bush's casket the day before.

But there are other moments about the death of George H.W. Bush that will be impossible to forget, too, like the disgraceful sentimentality of mewling hypocrites.

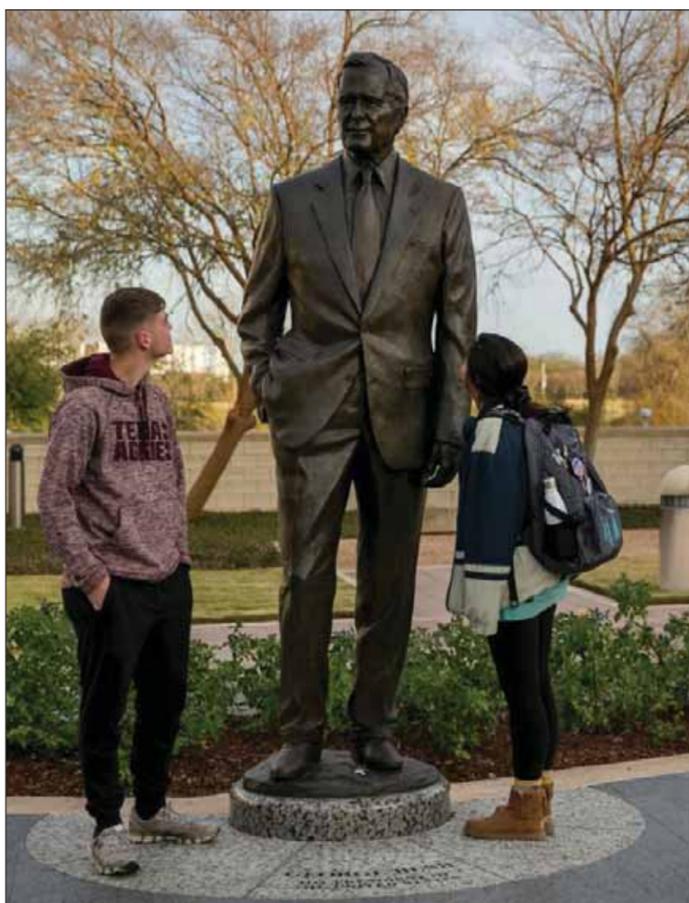
The late president's critics in politics and media had despised, mocked and dishonored him in life. But they sure loved him in death. And they used him as a weapon against their enemy, President Donald Trump and the millions of Americans who voted for him.

Bush had been dismissed by the ever left-leaning media as a colossal wimp, a cold bloodless preppy, unable to feel our pain, an establishment patrician so out of touch that he didn't know about grocery scanners at the supermarket.

He was vilified as a racist, a moron, a fool, again and again by liberal pundits with one object in mind: propelling Bill Clinton into the White House.

But shortly after word of Bush 41's death, there they were, on cable TV, in print, talking of honor, bemoaning the loss of Bush's civility, mourning the loss of his kindness, with constant comparisons to Trump, a slugger who is neither kind nor gentle.

They propped Bush up on a horse, in the manner of El Cid at the siege of Valencia from centuries ago, tying him to the saddle so he might ride out,



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Texas A&M students Logan Mitchell, left, and Olivia Flores look at a statue of President George H.W. Bush at his Presidential Library and Museum.

sightless, to shame and rout their enemies.

They've done this before, most recently with the death of Trump critic and Republican establishment Sen. John McCain of Arizona. Though McCain never met a war he didn't like, he was beloved by the media until he posed a threat to the election of President Obama. Then they turned on him too.

George H.W. Bush wasn't a nifty orator. The fusion dreamed of years before by William F. Buckley, melding traditional conservatives and anti-communist neoconservatism began to unravel under Bush. His greatest political blunder was raising taxes after issuing his "Read my lips, no new taxes" pledge. This wore the establishment down and gave rise to populist, anti-big government movements, from a third-party challenge by Ross Perot that put Clinton in office, to the tea party and ultimately to Trump.

Bush was an establishment blue blood, yes, but also a warrior, and perhaps because he knew of death in war firsthand, he learned something invaluable: When you have the power to break the world into pieces, be prudent.

Be prudent was the line used against him. Years ago he was mocked by Dana Carvey of "Saturday Night Live." "It wouldn't be prudent," Carvey would say, and the impression was hilarious. It reduced Bush to a tightass. But the tightass graciously

invited Carvey to the White House and appeared on "SNL" and got a laugh.

Yet it was prudence and skill that helped Bush manage chaos. He deftly accomplished the unification of a divided Germany, while refusing to expand NATO further and risk nuclear war with a frantic Russia.

And prudence again during the first Gulf War, when he would not send his legions to occupy Baghdad. That would have led to chaos. He left all that to his successors, like his son.

President Clinton pushed to expand NATO even further. And in the second Gulf War, the son, captured by the neocons, would send his legions into Baghdad, thinking he could rebuild nations in our image. It failed. Our troops are still there. And we inch closer to confrontation with Russia's Putin.

I suppose (though I hope I'm wrong) that America knows more about Bush's loyal service dog, Sully, than his successes and failures in office.

But he loved America. And he served her with honor all his life. Godspeed, Mr. President.

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Mueller filings turn up heat on Trump and Co.



REX W. HUPPKE

The numbers 19 and 70 must be weighing heavily on the minds of certain people in the Trump administration, including President Donald Trump himself.

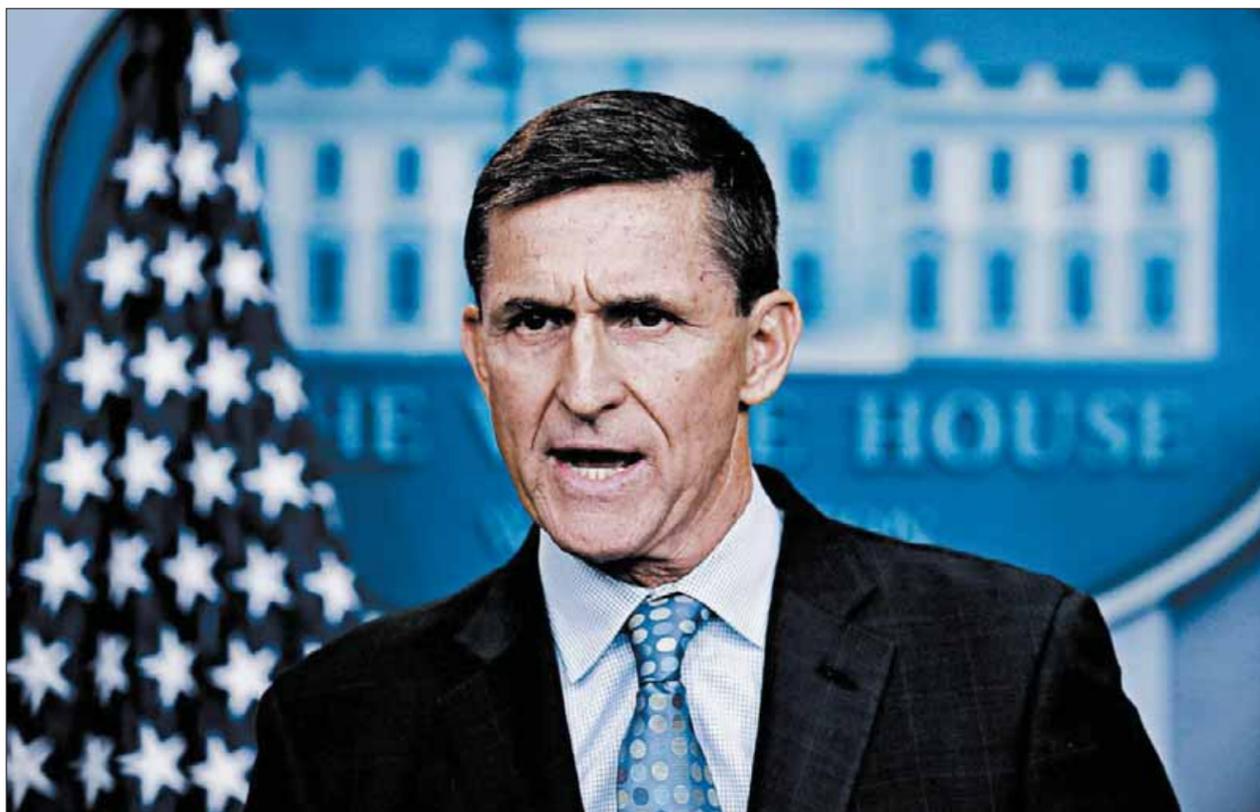
We learned late Tuesday that the president's former national security adviser, Michael Flynn, as part of a plea agreement, has been interviewed 19 times by attorneys from special counsel Robert Mueller's team and by other Justice Department attorneys, providing "documents and communications" and "substantial assistance in a criminal investigation." That assistance has been substantial enough that Mueller, in Flynn's sentencing memo, recommends the retired Army lieutenant general serve no prison time after pleading guilty to lying to federal agents about his communications with Russian officials prior to Trump's inauguration.

The lenient sentencing recommendation for a serious crime indicates that during those 19 meetings, Flynn provided the special counsel and other investigators with a wealth of information regarding Russian interference in the 2016 election and the extent of communication between Trump's team and the Russian government.

If you're Trump, or if you were a member of Trump's presidential transition team, or if you're Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, who, according to several news reports, directed Flynn to reach out to the Russians, then the number 19 is causing you to lose weight in sweat.

And then there's the number 70. That, according to ABC News, is the number of hours Trump's former attorney and personal fixer Michael Cohen spent talking with attorneys from the special counsel's office.

Last week, we learned that Cohen reached a plea deal with Mueller. The attorney admitted he lied to Congress about when a deal to build a Trump Tower in Moscow fell through. Cohen told Congress the deal ended in January 2016, but he acknowledged in



CAROLYN KASTER/AP

Prosecutors are recommending no prison time for former national security adviser Michael Flynn, who admitted to lying to federal agents.

his plea deal that negotiations with Russia continued through June 2016, while Trump was securing the GOP presidential nomination and claiming he had no deals or contacts with Russians.

Former Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey Toobin wrote in the *New Yorker*: "It's true that Trump had the right to do business in Russia during the time when he was a candidate, but the public also had a right to know where his true financial interests lay. It would have been highly relevant to the public to learn that Trump was negotiating a business deal with Russia at the same time that he was proposing to change American policy toward that country. Not only was the public deprived of this information but Cohen's guilty plea indicates that voters were actively misled about Trump's interests."

Whatever else Cohen knows about Trump and his family's connections and business dealings with Russia presumably

came out in his discussions with Mueller's attorneys, and 70 hours is a lot of discussion time. If you're a Trump, you're worried about this.

And if you're a person who likes to parrot the president's crowlike caws of "WITCH HUNT!"; you might want to start easing back a bit closer to reality. Because while the details of Mueller's investigation remain murky — huge swaths of Flynn's sentencing memo were redacted, indicating a stockroom full of shoes left to drop — the scope of it is beyond question.

Democratic Rep. Jerrold Nadler of New York, the incoming chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, said in a statement: "The Special Counsel has now secured guilty pleas from President Trump's personal attorney, his campaign manager, his deputy campaign manager, a foreign policy adviser to his campaign, and his national security adviser. He has filed 191 charges against more than 30 individuals

— almost all of whom are in President Trump's orbit, Vladimir Putin's orbit, or both. The President can pretend that this investigation has nothing to do with him and nothing to do with Russia, but these indictments speak for themselves."

And however much presidential perspiration the numbers 19 and 70 might be causing, sweat buckets will be needed by the end of this week. On Friday, Mueller is expected to file sentencing memos for Cohen and former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort.

The Manafort memo will explain how Manafort has, according to the special counsel's office, breached his plea agreement by lying to prosecutors. It will detail those lies and, more important, the evidence that shows Manafort has been lying.

That all makes for a sweaty White House. We're talking antiperspirant-defying, post-marathon-level sweatiness. Clammy hands and foreheads.

The nervous sweat you get when you know the crooks you've surrounded yourself with have had 19 meetings with the good guys and 70 hours with the hounds on your tail. And two more doses of bad news are coming before you even get to the weekend.

The numbers are not in the Trump administration's favor. Here's to a sweaty, sweaty winter.

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Dozens of charter school teachers and their supporters rally in Chicago for smaller class sizes, funding and a fairer contract Wednesday.

Board of Ed votes to shut 2 charters as teachers strike

Members also vote to deny 3 applications amid Acero action

BY JUAN PEREZ JR.
Chicago Tribune

Negotiations between the Acero Schools charter network and striking workers were expected to press late into Wednesday, but it wasn't clear whether they could reach a deal to end the nation's first charter school teachers strike before it stretched into a third day.

Educators staged a raucous rally Wednesday morning at Chicago Public Schools headquarters and swarmed sidewalks outside the district's offices to target officials for expanding the city's portfolio of the publicly funded and privately operated campuses.

The Chicago Board of Education later voted to close two

non-Acero charter schools at the end of the school year and deny three pending applications to open new elementary and high school charter campuses.

But Chicago Teachers Union President Jesse Sharkey still criticized the district's support for the charter movement.

"You conceived it, you championed it," Sharkey told board members. "The district approves new charter operators, the district funds charter operators, renews charters, and now I guess we hear it is closing charter operators as well."

"I humbly assert that you guys need to come to terms with the fact that you've sowed the wind, and reaped the whirlwind," Sharkey said. "This is an industry that is out of control, and the first strike in the history of the charter industry should be a wake-up call about that."

A West Side all-boys high school operated by the Urban

Prep organization had its charter revoked by the school board after CPS said the campus failed to improve its academic performance amid unspecified financial problems.

The board also voted against extending the contract of the Kwame Nkrumah Academy charter school campus in the Roseland neighborhood on the Far South Side, which serves roughly 200 students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Charter officials can appeal for a potential reversal of the district's decision to the Illinois State Charter School Commission.

Hundreds of Acero educators walked off the job Tuesday morning, canceling classes for 7,500 predominantly Latino students at 15 campuses.

Teachers said the contract talks have been divided over class sizes, pay and the extended length of Acero's school day and

school year.

Chicago charters have so far avoided expected cuts under a new state education funding law and even gained millions of extra dollars from Chicago Public Schools this year.

The CTU, citing Acero budget documents, also argues that the charter network ended its fiscal year with \$10 million in extra cash that could pay for some of the union's demands.

Acero, in a statement, said the extra money largely came from CPS and that key priorities for the money included a new union contract and facilities maintenance.

"We know it's hard on our families, we want this to end, we want back in our classrooms," Acero teacher Katie Cannady said. "But we can't do that until Acero is willing to meet us and give us what our kids deserve."

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Bill Daley promises property tax freeze

Candidate's vow comes in 1st big TV ad buy of Chicago mayoral race

BY BILL RUTHHART
Chicago Tribune

Chicago mayoral candidate Bill Daley unveils a proposal to freeze homeowners' property taxes in a television ad his campaign is set to start airing Thursday.

Daley's ad marks the first significant broadcast and cable television buy of the Chicago mayoral race and serves as a sign that the former U.S. commerce secretary has started to lean on his financial advantage as the top campaign fundraiser in the race.

The TV spot, which features video and photos of Daley but does not include him talking, opens with a narrator bluntly stating, "Let's get real, Chicago," while flashing the diverse faces of people portrayed as everyday Chicagoans.

"Crime and taxes are up. While fancy buildings rise inside the Loop, families are being driven out of our neighborhoods every day," the narrator says as video of skyscrapers along the Chicago River are shown, followed by shots of a young African-American boy eating corn on the cob, rows of bungalows and the Riviera Theatre's marquee.

"Bill Daley has spent his whole life in Chicago," the ad continues, without a nod to his stints in Washington as special counsel and commerce secretary under then-President Bill Clinton and White House chief of staff under then-President Barack Obama. "It's in his blood. He knows Chicago only thrives when all of our 77 neighborhoods thrive."

After the spot shows Daley talking to various people of differ-

ent ages and ethnicities, the narrator gets to the big promise: "Bill will put a moratorium on tax hikes to keep families in their homes." The words "PROPERTY TAX FREEZE" appear on the screen in large letters next to images of Daley speaking to a Hispanic woman in a store and a white man with a young child.

"And he'll make getting guns and gangs off our streets priority No. 1," the ad continues as the words "STOP GUNS STOP GANGS" appear next.

"Bill Daley for mayor," the narrator concludes as black-and-white footage of a Chicago "L" train is shown on the screen under Daley's bright blue-and-red campaign logo. "No more excuses."

The last line could be taken as a slight dig at current Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who repeatedly has raised property taxes and other fees and fines as he's sought to stabilize the city's budget and shore up pension funds that became grossly underfunded under his predecessor and Daley's brother, former Mayor Richard M. Daley.

Bill Daley's opening ad does not mention or allude to the fact that he is the brother and son of two mayors who ran City Hall for a combined 43 years.

It does, however, seek to capitalize on two major areas of concern for many voters: the city's struggles to tamp down violent crime and the surging property tax increases, which only will be exacerbated for many Chicagoans next year as bills land based on a new round of assessments of their home values.

The promise to freeze property taxes also is a new wrinkle for Daley, a former JPMorgan Chase executive who stepped down from a Swiss hedge fund to run for mayor.



SCREENSHOT

A screenshot shows part of a television ad promoting Chicago mayoral candidate Bill Daley that is set to begin airing Thursday.

He previously had stressed the need to get away from raising the taxes on homeowners, but had not proposed an outright freeze. In a speech to the City Club of Chicago last week, he vowed that any property tax increases would be met with "dollar-for-dollar" cuts to city government.

Daley's campaign said late Wednesday that the freeze was taking that notion "a step further."

While Daley is calling for a moratorium on property tax hikes, he previously has advocated for City Hall to consider a wide range of new taxes and fees to deal with the city's ongoing pension crisis, which will require the next mayor to come up with nearly \$1 billion in new annual retirement fund payments by 2023.

In his City Club speech, Daley opened the door to a commuter tax on suburbanites who work in the city to help fill the pension gap while also saying an increase in real estate transfer fees and taxes on legalized marijuana and a long-sought Chicago casino "must be on the table."

Records from local cable companies and the Federal Communications Commission show Daley has put at least \$101,000 behind the ad, making it the most significant TV buy in the mayor's race to date. Businessman Willie Wilson has made a handful of

smaller broadcast and cable buys to air ads this fall.

As of late Wednesday, one broadcast station so far had reported a \$43,800 buy from the Daley campaign for 72 30-second spots. That included \$1,500 for one 30-second ad during Saturday's Army-Navy football game and \$4,000 for a single spot during a non-Bears NFL game Sunday afternoon.

Cable records showed Daley's campaign has spent \$57,000 for more than 2,000 30-second ads on ESPN, CNN and MSNBC that will air between now and Dec. 19. The Daley campaign declined to identify the total size of his TV buy.

Daley entered the race for mayor in September, after Emanuel made the surprise decision to abandon his bid for a third term. Since then, he has raised more than \$2.7 million in campaign contributions — more than double the amount of his next closest competitor, 2011 mayoral candidate and City Hall veteran Gery Chico.

Emanuel had raised more than \$10 million toward re-election before he dropped out three months ago.

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CTU votes to endorse Preckwinkle for mayor

Candidate gets another high-profile public worker union's support

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Teachers Union voted to endorse Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle in the Chicago mayor's race on Wednesday, giving Preckwinkle another high-profile public worker union's support.

The endorsement is expected to be made public at a news conference Thursday morning at the headquarters of SEIU Healthcare Illinois, where Preckwinkle is scheduled to accept the backing of the CTU, Service Employees International Union Healthcare Illinois and SEIU Local 73. SEIU Local 1 previously endorsed Preckwinkle.

The teachers union's political and legislative committees had recommended endorsing Preckwinkle and nearly two dozen other candidates around the city, an internal communication shows. The union's executive committee "supported by large margins" endorsing the recommended candidates, including Preckwinkle.

The union's House of Delegates voted to provide Preckwinkle the endorsement Wednesday evening, members confirmed.

Preckwinkle, who frequently mentions her past as a teacher, has assiduously courted the union's support, staking out positions on key issues for the union such as an elected Chicago Public Schools board and a vow to freeze charter schools and school closings for four years. Preckwinkle also joined dozens of striking charter school teachers and their supporters along picket lines this week.

The delegates also considered endorsing incumbent City Council members Sophia King, Leslie Hairston, Roderick Sawyer, Susan Sadlowski Garza, Marty Quinn, Toni Foulkes, David Moore, Chris Taliaferro, Scott Waguespack, Carlos Ramirez-Rosa and John Arena.

In addition, the delegates received a recommendation to support challengers Rafa Yanez in the 15th Ward, Rossana Rodriguez in the 33rd, Tara Stamps in the 37th, Dianne Daleiden in the 40th, Erika Wozniak in the 46th and Maria Hadden in the 49th, as well as Jeanette Taylor in the 20th, where a large field is seeking to replace Willie Cochran, who is walking away amid federal corruption charges; Mike Rodriguez in the 22nd to replace retiring Ald. Ricardo Munoz; and Byron Sigcho in the 25th to replace retiring Ald. Danny Solis. The committees also favored Melissa Conyears-Ervin in the race for city treasurer against Ald. Ameya Pawar.

CTU and SEIU contributed heavily to Jesus "Chuy" Garcia's 2015 mayoral race, and the union has been one of Mayor Rahm Emanuel's most vociferous critics.

An internal communication notes that the city elections in February "promise to reshape the alignment of power and influence in city politics" and said the union's goal is to set the terms of the electoral debate.

Last month, CTU at its headquarters teamed with other unions and organizations to host a forum titled "The Great Displacement," billed as a discussion focused on "reversing African-American pushout and building a Chicago for the many." It was sponsored by some of the city's largest labor organizations with large black memberships, including CTU, health care workers, transportation employees, electrical workers and letter carriers, along with organizations such as United Working Families, UNITE Here, Action Now and Grassroots Illinois Action.

Appearing by invitation were Preckwinkle, state Comptroller Susana Mendoza, former CPS CEO Paul Vallas, former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot and Austin Chamber of Commerce Director Amara Enyia. Organizers said Preckwinkle and Mendoza were included because they drew the most support in a union poll, while Vallas, Enyia and Lightfoot received the next largest share of "enthusiasm" in a text message and social media poll.

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Lakemoor cop cleared in July shooting

Victim wanted in Pa. for murder of 88-year-old man

By FRANK
ABDERHOLDEN
News-Sun

The Lake County state's attorney's office reported Wednesday that a Lakemoor police officer "acted reasonably and appropriately" in the fatal shooting of a man who authorities say was holding two handguns while wrestling with another officer in July.

Authorities reported after the shooting that the victim was wanted in Pennsylvania for the murder of an 88-year-old man three days earlier.

"This case, once again, highlights the incredibly dangerous jobs that our law enforcement officers endure. Every encounter that they experience can, without warning, turn deadly," State's Attorney Michael Nerheim said in a statement released Wednesday announcing the results of his review of a Lake County Major Crimes Task Force investigation.

According to that investigation, the incident began just before 5 a.m. July 26, when Lakemoor police Officer Brianna Tedesco was driving north on Four Seasons Boulevard, which runs

on the east side of the Lakemoor Golf Club, and she spotted an SUV backed onto a gravel path with its lights off.

She engaged her squad lights and notified her dispatcher of her location, reporting there was no license plate on the front of the vehicle, according to the report, which added that Tedesco activated her body camera and synced it with her squad camera before exiting the vehicle.

The report said that Tedesco approached the vehicle on foot to determine why the vehicle was located in that area and check on the well-being of anyone inside. She asked the driver, Kenneth Martell, for some identification and he gave her a false name. After she determined the name didn't exist, she asked for some written identification, and Martell handed her a piece of paper.

"As the officer was reading the document, Martell produced a handgun and pointed it directly at her head. It became apparent that the tender of a piece of paper was designed to distract Officer Tedesco from what Martell was about to do," according to the report.

"Officer Tedesco looked up and saw the gun being pointed at her. Officer



Martell

Tedesco believed that Martell pulled the trigger of the gun. It did not fire. She immediately pulled the gun with her right hand and pushed it away from her. Officer Tedesco

then dropped the items in her other hand and used both of her hands to push the gun down and back into the driver's vehicle," according to the report.

"As Officer Tedesco struggled for Martell's gun, she attempted to call on her radio. Martell grabbed her hand to prevent her from calling for help. He reached out and grabbed Officer Tedesco and pulled her back towards the car. (She) then saw Martell reaching for a second gun."

According to the report, at this point Lakemoor police Officer Anthony Loiacono arrived at the scene after hearing Tedesco's radio traffic about the false name. The report added that Loiacono knew that the subject might be wanted and increased his speed to the scene.

According to the report, Loiacono told investigators that he could hear Tedesco screaming as he arrived on the scene and saw that she was "in a physical struggle at the driver's door of a vehicle. The driver looked as if he was trying to pull Officer Tedesco into the car through the driver's window."

According to the report, Tedesco was able to take a step away from the vehicle, and at this point, the driver raised his hands while holding two revolvers. Martell pointed both guns in the direction of Loiacono.

"Officer Loiacono stated words, to the effect, of 'drop it.' Officer Loiacono then drew his own weapon and pointed it at Mr. Martell," according to the report. "Officer Loiacono then leaned slightly to his right and fired one round at Martell's face. Martell's body slumped back in the driver's seat."

In his statement of conclusions, Nerheim wrote that, "Martell's acts of deception and lies to Officer Tedesco were a prelude to an ambush," and Tedesco was able to save her own life by reacting to the situation.

"Her quick actions and fight for the gun allowed additional time for her partner to arrive at the scene," Nerheim wrote. "Her partner was then able to end this deadly confrontation. The

acts of these two skilled officers were masterful and indicative of two people acting in self-defense.

"Retreat was not an option," according to the report. "With both officers within feet of a man armed with two handguns, only one option remained for the officers: To defend themselves."

According to Cynthia Vargas, spokesman for the state's attorney's office, the body camera and squad car camera footage will be available on the office's website by the end of this week or early next week.

After the Lakemoor confrontation, police reported that Martell had tied, robbed, beaten and stabbed to death Theodore Garver, 88, in his Beaver Township home in Pennsylvania. After the killing, Martell abducted some other individuals at gunpoint and forced them to aid Martell in the disposal of the man's body in a lake near Garver's residence, according to authorities.

A murder warrant was issued for his arrest, and it was pending when Martell was shot and killed in Lakemoor. According to Nerheim's report, Martell's family told investigators that Martell abused illegal drugs, including methamphetamine, and he made statements to friends and family that "cops were going to kill him over a drug bust" and that he was "not going down without a fight."

Lake County Coroner Dr. Howard Cooper said Martell died of a single gunshot wound to the head and his system contained amphetamine, methamphetamine and THC, the active ingredient in marijuana.

Police recovered a fully loaded Colt Police Positive .38 caliber revolver and an unloaded Rohm GMBH Sontheim/Brz 22 caliber magnum revolver from Martell's vehicle, according to the report, which added that a search of the wooded area nearby revealed the suspect had hidden a large number of weapons, including rifles, shotguns, crossbows and ammunition.

Investigators also reported finding court documents, bail bond documentation and a criminal summons all in the name of Kenneth Martell and stolen property and identification cards of the Pennsylvania murder victim Theodore Garver.

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CPS, Camelot Education reach \$1M settlement

By JUAN PEREZ JR.
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A for-profit company that allegedly won tens of millions of dollars from Chicago Public Schools with help from the district's imprisoned ex-CEO will pay a fine and undergo three years of monitoring to settle the case, a schools spokeswoman said.

Camelot Education will pay what CPS described as a total of \$1 million in cash and unspecified "compensatory services," and bar two unnamed executives from school district business for the duration of a 36-month monitoring period by an independent monitor.

The Chicago Board of Education approved the settlement Wednesday.

The sanctions fall short of requests district Inspector General Nicholas Schuler's office made in a summer report that concluded then-CEO Barbara Byrd-Bennett and her co-conspirators in a separate bribery scandal helped Camelot open four CPS campuses several years ago.

Schuler concluded Camelot first won "behind-the-scenes access" to Byrd-Bennett and top staff plus "confidential inside information" with help from Gary Solomon and Thomas Vranas — two consultants who served as Camelot's "undisclosed lobbyists" before they were indicted and convicted in federal court alongside Byrd-Bennett for organizing a kickback scheme that upended the district.

"We continue to dispute those findings, while also

acknowledging the Board's responsibility to take action when presented with such findings," Camelot CEO Andrew Morrison said in a statement.

Schuler's office asked the school board to disqualify Camelot and the two company executives from future business with CPS, or fine the company \$6.7 million and appoint an independent monitor to review the firm's conduct for three years.

Instead, CPS said the company would pay the district \$700,000 in cash and offer \$300,000 worth of services that could include items such as additional staff or student field trips. Camelot executives will also get trained on the school district's ethics code, a spokeswoman said.

CPS pays Camelot and similar firms to operate schools that are often meant for students who have dropped out, been expelled or are catching up on credits in order to graduate.

Schuler's examination of Camelot centered on behavior that largely occurred between 2012 and 2013. Authorities also investigated Byrd-Bennett, Solomon and Vranas for steering multimillion-dollar no-bid contracts to the SUPES Academy education consulting firm in exchange for the promise of lucrative kickbacks during the same time period.

The trio were eventually indicted for their roles in that scheme, pleaded guilty and were sentenced to federal prison terms.

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At Bush funeral, hope for kinder America born



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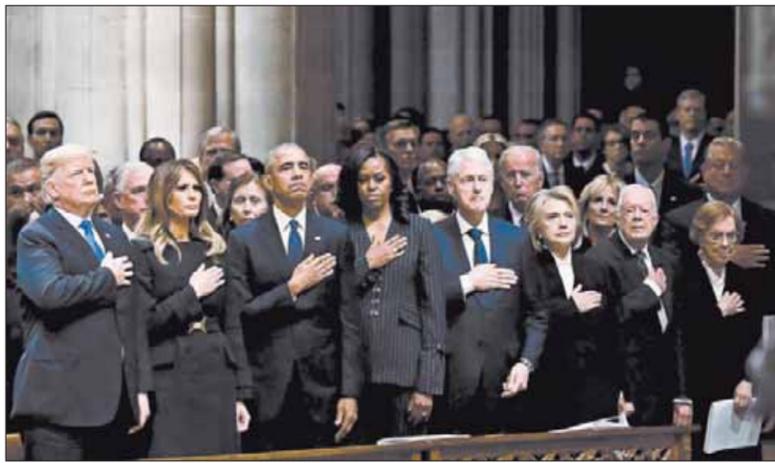
Perhaps a state funeral is what America needed.

It is not that we wish death upon anyone, but death is the one thing even more inevitable than life.

As I watched President George H.W. Bush being honored Wednesday at the end of his life's work as a patriot, I realized that for the first time in a very long time, I was not angry. I was reflective and hopeful, at least tentatively.

Glued to my TV and crying, I watched members of the military honor guard carry the flag-covered casket of the 41st president into Washington National Cathedral, stepping in perfect formation, the way they are trained to do.

The performance of "America the Beautiful" by the Armed Forces Chorus and the U.S. Marine Orchestra and the U.S. Coast Guard Band's playing of "Hail to the Chief" contributed to the grandeur of the event. The 21-gun salutes and the sound of church bells as the hearse arrived added to the pageantry.



ALEX BRANDON/GETTY-AFP

Every living president and first lady attended the funeral Wednesday for former President George H.W. Bush. They included, from left, the Trumps, Obamas, Clintons and Carters.

Inside, the remaining presidents sat side by side. Throughout the church, Democrats and Republicans shook hands and, at times, reached out to hug one another.

Everyone seemed to be on the same page about America — that in spite of its flaws, it is the greatest country on Earth and the basic values our nation was founded on are unmatched and indestructible.

I didn't think about the troubles President Donald Trump is facing. I didn't even wonder whether he would feel uncomfortable

in the midst of so many American presidents and other dignitaries who have publicly criticized some of his policies.

This day, none of it mattered.

Bush, like all presidents, was required to plan his funeral before his death. The program was clearly a celebration of his life and his commitment to serving America, from his time in World War II to his four years in the White House.

Each speaker told rousing and sometimes funny personal and professional stories about him. I hope

those who loved him most found comfort in them.

For the rest of us, the message from his state funeral — with all its pomp and ceremony — was not necessarily as poignant. But it was meaningful.

Biographer Jon Meacham's story about Bush as a young Navy lieutenant was gripping. His plane had been shot down during World War II, and he clung to life on a tiny raft in the Pacific until a submarine arrived to rescue him. It is also America's story.

At this moment, we are desperately clinging to the

promise that America once represented, hoping that somehow we can begin to live up to the greatness the world has come to expect of us and that we once expected of ourselves.

Wednesday's ceremony reminded us of what that greatness could look like.

But no one will come to rescue us. We are on our own.

If we listen closely to the speakers, there are instructions for survival. But more than that, there are directions leading to the America we long for.

Bush's life code, Meacham said, was: "Tell the truth. Don't blame people. Be strong. Do your best. Try hard. Forgive. Stay the course." The author reminded us that those words have represented and always will represent the most American of creeds.

Former U.S. Sen. Alan Simpson offered advice to our leaders who have lost their way.

Bush "often said, 'When the really tough choices come, it's the country, not me. It's not about Democrats or Republicans, it's for our country that I fought for,'" Simpson said.

But perhaps Simpson's most important message was that "hatred corrodes the container it's carried

in."

We long for an America that is not consumed by hatred. Most of us are tired of hating. We are tired of fighting.

We want America to be a country where we can disagree without destroying each other. And where we can set high goals, and work together to reach them.

As I listened, I wondered what Trump was thinking as he sat in the front pew. Did he hear what the rest of us heard? Would he interpret it the same? Would he finally understand the sanctity of the office he holds?

Meacham called Bush "America's last great soldier-statesman, a 20th-century founding father."

But Bush's Texas minister, the Rev. Russell Levenson, told us not to consider this the end to an era.

"It doesn't have to be," he said. "Perhaps it is an invitation to fill the hole that has been left behind."

"My hunch is heaven, as perfect as it must be, just got a bit kinder and gentler," he said in closing.

I don't know about heaven. But maybe America can be.

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Skokie clears way for village's 1st tattoo parlor

Pioneer Press

The Skokie Village Board on Dec. 3 approved a special use permit that paves the way for the first tattoo parlor to open in the village.

Owner Scott Frigo of Scott Frigo Art Inc. applied for the special use for a business in the 4900 block of Dempster Street.

Under Frigo's plans, his services will be available only for adults. One common reason people get tattoos, he said, is to celebrate milestones, accomplishments and having weathered serious hardships.

Frigo recently inked a tattoo for a 65-year-old woman for the first time after she beat cancer, he said. She wanted to celebrate her courage with a small tattoo of a lioness.

"That's one of the reasons I get up in the morning and do what I do," he said.

Frigo has worked at other tattoo parlors, he said, but this is the first parlor that he will operate.

Frigo said he met with neighbors of the Dempster Street tattoo shop to talk about the business and answer any questions. He was praised for doing so by village trustees.

He also presented the village board with a small book about his business as well as a coloring book about tattoo art.

"I had no idea 45 million people have tattoos," said

Trustee Randy Roberts, referring to information Frigo provided.

Frigo was asked about sanitary conditions and how ink and other items are thrown away. The ink is never placed in garbage bins, but only safe containers and sent away, he said.

"Ink is never reused," Frigo added.

Trustee Ilonka Ulrich raised concerns that tattoo parlors are not licensed by the state. Inspections will be primarily left to the Skokie Health Department, officials said.

Village Attorney Michael Lorge said there are no provisions in the village code related to regulations or licensing of tattoo parlors, but that is something that can be looked into for the future.

Ulrich also asked about insurance and other health issues related to tattoo parlors. Officials said they will research information for the next meeting when the special use will come back in the form of an ordinance.

Roberts said that after reading all the information provided by Frigo, he realized tattoo art may be "more common than some of us thought."

"I was impressed by your references and (information)," he told Frigo. "It took some time and effort to put this book together so I can see you're serious..."

4 rescued, 18 displaced in Cicero apartment fire

BY KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS
Chicago Tribune

Four people, including two children, were rescued by Cicero firefighters after a blaze engulfed a four-unit apartment building Tuesday into Wednesday.

There were no deaths or injuries in the fire at 1524 S. 51st Court, said Ray Hanania, a spokesman for the town of Cicero. Hanania said investigators believe the fire started in the bathroom of one of the four units. The exact cause remains under investigation.

"Fire officials said this fire could have been devastating because of the timing and had they not arrived when they did (it) would easily have spread throughout the building," Hanania wrote in a statement.

Emergency crews rescued two children, ages 8 and 10, and two women in their 20s, Hanania said. It was not immediately clear whether they all were rescued from the same unit or from multiple units.

The fire began late Tuesday, officials said, and was

not fully extinguished until Wednesday morning.

The blaze left the building uninhabitable. Hanania said 18 people lived in the building, and all were forced to find temporary shelter.

Volunteers with the American Red Cross responded to the call for those affected, said Joy Squier, a spokeswoman for the agency.

It was one of five fires that Red Cross volunteers responded to in Chicago and its suburbs on Tuesday alone, she said. They provided care and services to 10 adults and eight children, she said.

"We make sure they are OK and that they have a place to stay. If they don't, we can provide financial assistance to help them get a hotel, depending on what they need," Squier said. "We can also provide health services, medication, disaster and mental health counseling — all dependent on their particular needs."

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Teen with Down syndrome has lots to cheer

Homer Glen girl, supportive team going to nationals

BY NARA SCHOENBERG
Chicago Tribune

When 13-year-old Audrey Chisholm goes to the library, she looks for books on cheerleading.

When the Homer Glen teen is on YouTube, she's watching cheerleading videos.

At school, she teaches her classmates cheerleading moves.

Audrey, who has Down syndrome, has faced some challenges and setbacks in her quest to be a cheerleader. When she was working out with a previous team, she wasn't selected to compete. But three years ago, she found her niche with the Mokena Burros cheerleading team, and this week she'll be competing with the team at the Pop Warner National Cheer & Dance Championships in Orlando, Fla.



JODY CHISHOLM
Audrey Chisholm, 13, of Homer Glen, left, hugs her Mokena Burros teammate Kailey O'Donnell, 14.

"This is such an important thing for Audrey," her mother Jody, 54, said of cheerleading. "It's what she wakes up in the morning and looks forward to. When you have an athlete that is so focused on one thing, you know that they're going to do amazing, because it's their passion."

Reached by phone at Disney World, where she and her teammates were

enjoying themselves before competing Thursday, Audrey said she was excited.

"Our hotel is so awesome, and I love to cheer," she said.

"Can you tell her what your heart does when you get on the stage?" her mother said.

"My heart moves faster when the music starts," Audrey said.

"And she gets to fly. Is that the best part?"

"Mmmmm-hmmmm!" said Audrey.

It's unclear how many kids with Down syndrome, a genetic disorder that causes intellectual disability and developmental delays, compete as cheerleaders in recreational leagues, but there don't appear to be many.

Audrey's head coach, Christine O'Donnell, said she's been coaching since 2004 and has never encountered a cheerleader with Down syndrome on a recreational team.

"But we're a recreational cheer program, and we're

all-inclusive," O'Donnell said. "When we have girls join our team, we work to get them to the top level."

Audrey's team, the junior varsity Burros, took first place in their division at the 2018 Mid-America Spirit Championship at Northern Illinois University in November, O'Donnell said. That qualified them for nationals, where they will compete Thursday.

Their routine will be televised on ESPN3 at 4:24 p.m. Central. Audrey is slated to perform a stunt at center field — two teammates will lift her waist-high while another supports her from behind.

Audrey's mom said the Burros welcomed Audrey from the start. When Chisholm contacted O'Donnell about joining, the coach said all they had to do was sign up. At first, Chisholm was wary: the Burros were a very strong team, and Audrey was the new girl.

"You'd think that everyone would be raising an eyebrow: 'Is she going to

help us win a second state championship, or is she going to pull us down?'" Chisholm said. "But I'll tell you, we walked in, and within a day, all the girls were embracing Audrey, and they all wanted to be her friend. These girls mean so much to me, and they mean so much to Audrey."

Audrey practices with the team four hours a week, and O'Donnell said she pushes her, just as she pushes all the girls.

"Audrey is your typical 13-year-old girl," O'Donnell said. "She works hard. She plays hard. She gets a little sassy, just like the rest of the girls, but she's eager to please, and she catches on quickly. Often her mom will take a video of something (she's learning), and two days later she comes back to practice, and it's mastered because she goes home and she works that hard."

Chisholm said she's worried about what will happen next year, when Audrey ages out of the Burros organization. Chisholm said

Audrey, who has the intellectual development of a third-grader, has made great strides with the team; she can do a back hand-spring with a coach to spot her, or provide minimal help. But she's not ready to compete for a spot on a high school cheerleading team.

"Now, I'm going to be emotional," Chisholm said, starting to cry. "I really don't know what is next."

Still, as the Burros enjoyed the Magic Kingdom theme park, working in tandem to keep Audrey from characters that look like animals because mascots scare her, Chisholm underlined the positive.

"These 23 girls are going to be the leaders of tomorrow," Chisholm said of Audrey's teammates. "And they're going to know what it's like to have a friend with a disability and to be protective of them. Through these 23 girls, the world will be a better place."

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Holiday traditions drawing eye rolls? Just keep rolling.



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Let's say, for argument's sake, the zoo lights-traipsing and gingerbread house-making and "A Charlie Brown Christmas"-viewing that used to inspire wonder in your child now inspire eye rolls.

Let's say the weeks between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day, once filled with delight and magic and anticipation, are now filled with, "Seriously? Do I have to?"

Let's say the only thing that would inspire wonder in your child now is an iPhone X.

You know, for argument's sake.

First of all, congratulations: You probably have a middle schooler. And a completely normal one at that.

"I found the holidays a bit trying when my kids

were in middle school," author and educator Michelle Icard wrote on her Michelle in the Middle Facebook page this week. "I could tell they still craved being wowed but nothing quite did it anymore; not the presents, not the singing bears downtown, not cozying up to watch holiday specials in pjs."

It can feel lonely to be the parent working double time to produce those elusive wows, even as you absorb the eye rolls. It can also feel tempting to deem the traditions more trouble than they're worth and ditch them altogether.

Second of all, hang in there. It's temporary.

I called Icard on Tuesday night to talk about her post, which resonated deeply with her readers, this one included.

"They come back around," Icard said. "And when they do, they'll be really happy that you didn't give up all the sweet efforts to make the holidays nice."

As soon as high school, she said, a lot of kids are ready to re-embrace the

family traditions and find wonder anew.

"I had so many parents respond to me with things like, 'It's true! My daughter is a freshman, and she used to cringe if I even hummed along with the Christmas music at the grocery store. Now she dances in the aisles with me!'" Icard said.

Much of the middle school resistance stems from the fact that kids in early adolescence are mortified by the idea of seeming baby-ish.

"It's so critical that they feel like grown-ups as much as possible," Icard said. "That can mean they're not willing to admit in public that they like any of this stuff or want to spend any time with their family."

For a lot of kids, Icard said, that fades by high school.

By then, "they're so much more confident and comfortable in their own skin," she said.

Plus, Icard said, a quiet — but not insignificant — part of your middle schooler still wants to walk

around zoo lights with you.

"Consistency is a comfort to them," she said. "In their private moments, they ache for it."

On her Facebook post, Icard wrote that one of her favorite parenting quotes comes from "Modern Family's" Claire Dunphy (Julie Bowen).

"Raising a kid is like sending a rocket ship to the moon. You spend the early years in constant contact, and then one day around the teenage years, they go around the dark side and they're gone. And all you can do is wait for that faint signal that says they're coming back."

And maybe have some hot cocoa ready for re-entry.

Join the Heidi Stevens Balancing Act Facebook group, where she hosts live chats every Wednesday at noon. This week, she'll be joined by activist and singer Jessica Disu to talk about Chicago's youth movement to combat gun violence.

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Waukegan stabbing victim identified; suspect in custody

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A woman found stabbed Monday in a Waukegan apartment on Grand Avenue by Waukegan police was identified Wednesday the Lake County coroner's office.

Coroner Dr. Howard Cooper said preliminary autopsy results showed that Leesa Lovett, 55, a resident of Waukegan, died from injuries caused by sharp force trauma.

"The investigation into her death is ongoing by our office and the Waukegan Police Department," Cooper said in a statement.

A Waukegan police statement said that Ivan Rodriguez and the victim were in a relationship and that investigators are classifying the incident as domestically related. Lovett did not live at the apartment where she was found.

Waukegan patrol officers were dispatched at noon Monday to an apartment complex in the 800 block of Grand Avenue "for a 'check on the well-being' (of) a specific individual in an apartment," according to Waukegan police.

"Upon arrival, officers located the apartment, observed the door to be unlocked, and received no answer upon knocking," according to the the police

statement. "With that information, officers entered the apartment and located a deceased female victim. It appeared that the victim had been stabbed."

"Investigators from the Criminal Investigations

Division responded to the scene and identified Rodriguez, 52 years old, as a person of interest. Rodriguez resides at the apartment where the victim was found,



Rodriguez

but Rodriguez could not be located. Investigators disseminated Rodriguez's information to area law enforcement agencies."

According to the statement, Rodriguez was taken into custody around 10 p.m. Monday at Union Station in Chicago by Metra Police about 10 hours after the body was discovered. He was then turned over to Waukegan investigators and brought back to Waukegan. A knife was recovered from the scene, according to Waukegan police said Wednesday.

Rodriguez was charged with one count of first-degree murder and was in custody at the Lake County jail with bail set at \$2 million after a bond hearing in Lake County Circuit Court.

Rodriguez is scheduled to appear in court Dec. 20.

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Glenview man charged in death of worker on I-294

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A 26-year-old Glenview man was ordered held without bond Nov. 30 after he was charged in connection with a fatal crash on I-294 in September, according to Illinois State Police.

Stephen W. Karakosta was charged with aggravated driving under the influence of drugs involving death, reckless homicide, possession of a controlled substance, aggravated speeding, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and improper lane usage, according to news release from Illinois State Police.

On Sept. 14 at approximately 10:15 p.m., Karakosta drove his black Infiniti at a high rate of speed into the left closed lanes of a construction zone on I-294 northbound near Touhy Avenue, police said.

Karakosta's car hit 59-year-old construction worker Frank Caputo, of Bartlett, according to police. Caputo was transported to Advocate Lu-

theran General Hospital, where he later was pronounced dead.

The car also hit a large concrete cutting saw and an unoccupied parked construction vehicle with a trailer attached, police said. Karakosta was taken to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital with injuries that were not life-threatening and was treated and released.



Karakosta

At the time of the crash, traffic was slowed because of ongoing construction in the left two lanes, police said.

Karakosta is scheduled to appear in court again Dec. 20.

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Joliet OKs 1-year halt to video gambling licenses

BY ALICIA FABBRE
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Bars, restaurants and other liquor license holders in Joliet won't be able to seek new video gambling licenses for at least a year, unless they operate in the northwest part of the city.

The City Council on Tuesday approved a one-year moratorium on licenses for video gambling machines for such businesses east of Illinois Highway 59, but the city will allow new licenses west of Highway 59 to help spur business development in that area.

The temporary ban is part of efforts to stave off new licenses until the city can develop a long-term strategy on video gambling. Last year, council members approved increases to the licensing fees, but that didn't slow the requests, officials said.

"We're still getting a lot of requests," Joliet's interim corporation counsel Chris Regis said. "Based on the sheer numbers, the market is saturated with them."

The city currently has 341 gambling terminals at 78 locations throughout the city. Most are located east of

Highway 59.

The majority of them, 316 terminals at 73 locations, are in businesses that also have liquor licenses. The remainder are in truck stops and similar businesses.

The moratorium would affect any new licenses requested under the city's liquor code, but not applications from truck stops. Renewals of existing licenses would not be affected.

In a memo to council members, interim City Manager Marty Shanahan suggested excluding areas west of Highway 59 from

the moratorium to encourage business development.

He added the moratorium would allow city officials time to consider a strategy for video gambling licensing.

Councilman Pat Mudron cast the only dissenting vote, saying the city should not limit competition.

In 2017, Aurora officials enacted a six-month ban to help curb the proliferation of gambling terminals. At that time, Aurora had 141 terminals in 31 establishments.

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Attorney Joyce gets top spot on Chicago's mayoral ballot

BY JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

Southwest Side attorney Jerry Joyce's name will appear first on the ballot for mayor thanks to a lucky draw Wednesday in the Chicago election lottery.

Many campaigns think the top spot gives a candidate an edge with voters, especially in a crowded field. There are 21 candidates hoping to get on the Feb. 26 municipal election ballot in the race to succeed Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

The Joyce campaign was quick to seize on the bit of good news, releasing a statement just minutes after the downtown drawing.

"Being Number One on the ballot is a major boost for our campaign to bring change to Chicago," Joyce's statement reads in part. "We hope our ballot position gives visibility to our ideas to make Chicago more affordable, safer and a place where every child has access to a quality education."

The last ballot spot — also seen by some as advantageous — is set to go to attorney John Kozlar.

Joyce was one of four mayoral candidates in line when the Board of Elections began accepting ballot petitions at 9 a.m. Nov. 19,



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Mayoral candidate Jerry Joyce leaves with his family after turning in candidacy petitions at the Board of Elections.

and so qualified for the first spot lottery. He beat out Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, businessman Willie Wilson and former Chicago Public Schools CEO Paul Vallas for the lead ballot position.

Vallas said at the time that the top position could be worth a percentage point or two in the final tally.

Kozlar was one of five who turned in petitions in the last hour before the Nov. 26 deadline, and so was in the running for the bottom ballot slot.

The rest of the positions will be decided based on the

order in which the candidates filed their petitions.

But first, the candidates will try to knock each other off the ballot by challenging the validity of their petition signatures.

Mayoral candidates must have 12,500 signatures of registered Chicago voters to get on the ballot. The election board will set hearings on the challenges in coming weeks.

Neither Joyce or Kozlar are facing petition challenges.

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Reward for information on student's slaying

A \$10,000 reward is being offered for information about the fatal shooting of a Northwestern University student who was caught in an exchange of gunfire between two other men near a bus stop in Rogers Park in September.

Chicago police said an anonymous donor is putting up the money for any leads in the death of Shane Colombo, 25, who was killed Sept. 2 in the 7600 block of North Clark Street, about a block



Colombo

west of the Howard "L" station. Colombo had been walking down the sidewalk when a gunman on the southwest corner of Howard and Clark streets started shooting at another man. Colombo was hit several times. Police said he was not the intended target.

Colombo was scheduled to join the Northwestern psychology doctoral program this fall. He received his bachelor's degree from San Francisco State Uni-

versity and was in the process of moving to Chicago from New York City, according to a note sent to Northwestern graduate students, faculty and staff. In New York he was performing research in the Social Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience Lab at Columbia University.

Anyone with information can call Area North detectives at 312-744-8261. Anonymous tips can be submitted to www.cpdtp.com.

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Michigan and Illinois' rivalry to go to pot

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efforts toward legalization, though it's possible Illinois could actually roll out legal recreational weed first, if all falls into place.

In Michigan, commercial production and sales will be allowed only after state regulators draw up rules to determine who will be licensed and how, which is expected to take months if not more than a year, plus time for businesses to open. But as the first state in the Midwest to legalize the drug, advocates expect a wave of visitors looking to get high, despite the social conservatism of the Rust Belt.

"I bet we'll see quite a bit of tourism," Michigan medical marijuana grower Debra Young said. "People go to Colorado and Las Vegas. A lot of people went across the border when Canada legalized it."

Since the state approved medical marijuana in 2008, Young said, "It's kind of normalized in Michigan. People are not shocked."

After years of campaigning to change the law, pot users plan to party when possession of up to 2.5 ounces of the drug becomes legal for adults 21 and older. Citizens approved the proposition by referendum in November, with 56 percent voting yes.

To mark the occasion Thursday night, a business called Elevated Yogi will host a pre-yoga smoking session at its studio in Detroit, owner Leonard Coklow said. The studio does not provide the product, but typically lets medical marijuana card holders bring their own. While patients may not share their medicine, the new law allows the drug to be shared for free, so the practice will no longer be legally limited to patients.

"Everybody will be able to participate," Coklow said. "Stuff ends up getting passed around. It's like a potluck, basically."

Attorney Matt Abel of Cannabis Counsel, which specializes in marijuana law, plans to hold a party in his law office in the same building.

"It's time for people to invite friends and share a joint with them," he said.

Despite the celebrations, the fight over revisions to the law continues in the state legislature, possibly mirroring battles to come in Springfield as Illinois lawmakers try to hash out a legalization bill to send to J.B. Pritzker when he becomes governor.

Republican Michigan state Senate Majority Leader Arlan Meekhof, who will be forced out of office by term limits at the end of the year, has proposed major changes.

He would eliminate a provision that lets people grow up to 12 plants at home. He would also lower the tax rate from 10 percent to 3 percent, and send more of the revenue to local governments and law enforcement agencies and less to roads and schools.



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Studio owner Leonard Coklow smokes before a class at Elevated Yogi in Detroit. The studio now lets medical marijuana card holders bring their own pot.



Coklow, left, and Alexandra Mitchell, center, do yoga in an Elevated Yogi class Wednesday in Detroit. He plans a pre-yoga smoking session at the studio in Detroit on Thursday.



These products are grown by Debra Young, a caregiver who grows medical marijuana for patients in her basement garden in Ferndale, Mich.

The president of prohibitionist group Healthy and Productive Michigan, Scott Greenlee, sees the changes as much-needed "damage control" to the new law.

Activists see them as a slap in the face by lame-duck lawmakers to voters who approved the new law. Despite a Republican majority in the statehouse, it would

take a three-fourths supermajority to pass the measure, so it's not clear if it will have the votes.

As with the state's medical marijuana law, the new

law allows local governments to regulate, ban or limit the numbers of marijuana businesses, and some towns have already opted out.

Visitors should also be aware that operating a motor vehicle, boat or snowmobile while under the influence of any amount of marijuana remains illegal in Michigan. And despite the new law, employers may still fire marijuana users.

State regulators must also draw up rules governing advertising and marketing, labeling and packaging. They promise strong restrictions to prevent marketing to children, and estimate the industry will generate \$738 million in tax revenue by 2023.

In Illinois, where Pritzker supports legalizing marijuana, advocates hope to pass a bill that would take effect in late 2019 or early 2020.

While 10 states have now legalized recreational cannabis, most are on the West and East coasts. That means the race is on with Michigan to become the first state in the Midwest to license commercial sales, said activist Dan Linn, of the Illinois chapter of marijuana policy reform group NORML.

"Absolutely, there is going to be that first-mover advantage for tourism dollars and buyers crossing the border," he said. The laws and tax rates will play a role in determining market share, he said, as they do now with Illinoisans going to Indiana for cigarettes and fireworks.

As Illinois did this year, Michigan also now allows the cultivation of industrial hemp, a crop that boasts a range of uses including for paper, textiles and insula-

"People go to Colorado and Las Vegas. A lot of people went across the border when Canada legalized it."

— Michigan medical marijuana grower Debra Young

tion. Legalizing hemp nationally is also a part of the proposed federal farm bill.

Greenlee, whose group opposes legalization, emphasized that all state marijuana legalization laws contradict federal law, which Congress has chosen to stand by and which still prohibits possession.

"It doesn't make sense," Greenlee said. "States have started picking and choosing which federal law they're going to enforce or ignore."

Advocates say it's long past time to reverse a damaging, racist and futile war on drugs, to undercut the black market and to generate tax revenue by taxing and regulating cannabis like alcohol. Supporters argue that marijuana has much lower rates of addiction than alcohol or cigarettes, has medical benefits and doesn't cause fatal overdoses, unlike legal and prescription drugs that kill tens of thousands every year.

"It's taking a long time for Prohibition to die," said Abel, the attorney. "There's still a lot of resistance and there will be, but it's not like it was 10 years ago."

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Ex-Berwyn top cop goes on to top gig at college

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the experience and expertise to effectively serve" in the vice president's job, college spokeswoman Blanca Jara said in an email, adding that trustees voted 6-0 to approve the promotion. "He is an asset to our college, and the college community we serve."

Marzullo's previous position was as the college's executive director of operations, for which he was paid \$146,730, according to Illinois Community College Board records. Just six years earlier, he was earning \$68,000 as an investigator in campus security. He was promoted to director of campus safety two years later with an \$80,000 salary.

Marzullo's new title reflects "a broader scope of leadership responsibilities," including management of the campus safety and facilities department, theater department, campus bookstore, food service and human resources, Jara said. Another duty of the job is to ensure compliance to board policies, internal pro-

cedures, and state and federal laws for all college operations, she added.

The new job title is part of "a college-wide reorganization" that Morton President Stanley Fields recommended to the board of trustees, Jara said.

"Numerous other positions" have received new titles that align with "more conventional titles in higher education," she added.

Morton College, which serves the near west suburbs and has an enrollment of about 6,300 students, was established in 1924 and is the second oldest community college in Illinois.

But Marzullo's raise comes at a time when the school's academic accreditation is on unsteady footing, and the accreditation agency places blame with the board of trustees.

On Nov. 12, the Higher Learning Commission, which accredits about 1,000 colleges and universities in 19 states, notified the school by letter that it is "at risk of being out of compliance" with the commission's accreditation criteria and was

being placed "on sanction."

The letter raises concerns with a wide array of functions at the school, including the "integrity of its financial, academic, personnel and auxiliary functions," and its governing board's autonomy to make decisions in the best interests of the school.

"The Institution's governing board does not consistently follow its established policies," commission President Barbara Gellman-Danley wrote to Fields, "and, although there are adequate policies in place, some members of the board fail to comply with them, which calls into question fair and ethical behavior on the part of the Institution's governing board."

The letter also notes that "some institutional board members fail to understand that they have no authority outside of official board capacity. ... As a result, the board fails to recognize its proper role ... as a policy-making body only."

Board members, for example, have improperly in-

tervened on students' behalf with employees of the college, participated in faculty disputes and engaged the college attorney, often excluding the president on those matters, the letter states.

The accreditation agency has given the college until February 2020 to provide evidence that it has addressed the issues raised by the commission and is no longer "at risk of non-compliance."

Michele Mohr, chairwoman of the college communications department and faculty union president, said Marzullo's sizable raise is particularly frustrating, considering what she predicted will be tense contract negotiations in the spring between the union and college trustees.

"They're telling me and my staff not to expect anything even near 3 percent" for raises, Mohr said.

She rarely sees Marzullo on campus, Mohr added.

"And when you do, it's for half-days," she said. "I don't know what he does to get paid that amount of money?"

More than a decade ago, as Berwyn's public safety director, Marzullo was caught up in another controversy.

Marzullo was charged with aggravated battery and official misconduct for his alleged role in the beating of a man on the night of local elections in 2005 in Forest Park after Marzullo's preferred candidate lost a bid for Berwyn mayor. Marzullo retired from the Berwyn post shortly after he was indicted in the alleged fight.

Marzullo, along with his son, brother, a Berwyn officer and another man, were all found not guilty in May 2007.

Just three years earlier, also while he was Berwyn's public safety director, Frank Marzullo was charged with misdemeanor battery stemming from an alleged shoving match with another man at a Countryside restaurant.

In that case, Marzullo was also acquitted by a judge who called the incident "a common bar fight ... when you ... eliminate the



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Former Berwyn Public Safety Director Frank Marzullo has a new title at Morton College, along with a hefty raise.

notoriety of the defendant."

Marzullo at the time chalked up the incident to "two people speaking to each other. ... The only reason they brought this case was because you had the public safety director of Berwyn involved."

Marzullo did not respond to email and phone requests for comment. The board of trustees and Fields also declined to comment.

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NATION & WORLD

Son's pain open for world to see

Scholars point out bond that's historic between presidents

By **STEVE HENDRIX**
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WASHINGTON — Before this week, the American people had never watched a president stand before the casket of another president who was also his father. They were moments that proved to be as personal as they were historic.

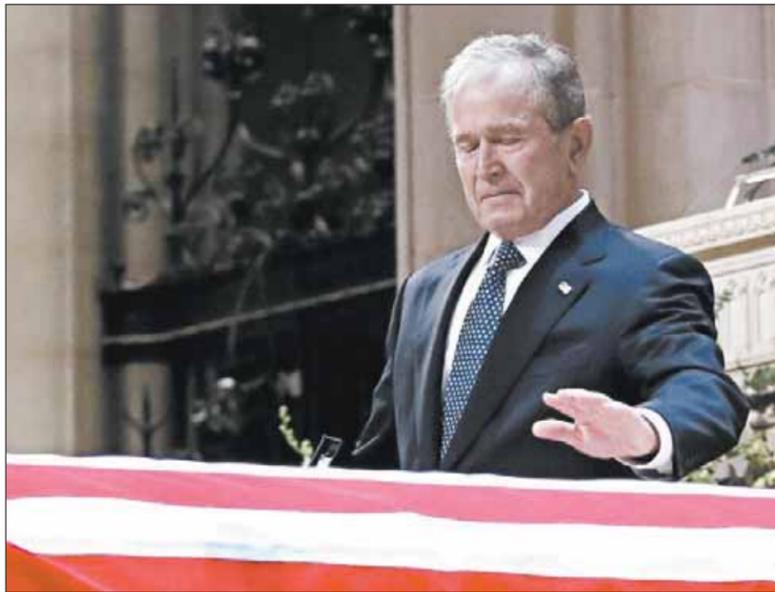
As George W. Bush watched the coffin containing the body of George H.W. Bush being carried into Washington National Cathedral on Wednesday, his face was a map of pain. The same was true Monday in the Capitol Rotunda, where amid the pomp and the honor guards and the echoing marble, the 43rd president looked like nothing more than a boy crying for his dad.

There has long been speculation about the relationship between the first father and son to reach the White House since John Adams and John Quincy Adams two centuries ago. The younger Adams only learned of the elder's death after his burial.

Historians have scoured the path both Bushes took — Yale, stints flying fighter planes, the oil business and politics — for every sign of rivalry, jealousy and intrafamily psychodrama. Oedipus Tex.

But the reality was simpler, historians say, and was visible in George W. Bush's grief, as the 43rd president prepared to eulogize the 41st president.

"He gave us uncon-



Former President George W. Bush says goodbye to his father at his funeral service.

tional love. And some of us tested it, I might add," said George W. Bush in a "60 Minutes" interview that aired two nights after his father's death.

Rather than Greek drama, the Bushes had an ordinary father-son bond that played out in extraordinary settings, these scholars contend. There were good times and bad, periods of distance and rebellion, the pain of loss and the joy of triumph.

But whatever the weather, the climate was always loving.

"I think it was a tense relationship when George W. was in his sowing-his-wild-oats phase; and that was a pretty long phase," said Jeffrey Engel, director of the Center for Presidential History at Southern

Methodist University, who has interviewed both Bushes. "But by the end, they were peers."

Presidential scholar Mark Updegrove spent years talking with the Bushes and those who knew them for his 2017 book on their relationship, "The Last Republicans." Of all the anecdotes he collected, he finds one of the most telling to be a moment of everyday parenting: George and Barbara Bush were walking with their toddler son when little George went into a tantrum, wind-milling blows against his dad.

"His father just holds him at bay with a palm against his red forehead and until he tires out," Updegrove said. "And then they just walk. There was a way

in which George W. would transgress and his father would have the patience to know that his better angels would eventually take hold."

Both presidents resisted any effort to "put them on the couch," but the senior Bush left a rich emotional record in thousands of letters he wrote to family and friends through his life. In them, he makes clear the full play of fatherly emotion toward his often-rambunctious oldest child.

"Georgie has grown to be a near-man, talks dirty once in a while and occasionally swears, aged 4 1/2," he wrote to his friend Gerry Bemiss soon after taking his family from Connecticut to Midland, Texas. "He lives in his cowboy clothes."

And then when his son

was 9: "Georgie aggravates the hell out of me at times (I am sure I do the same to him), but then at times I am so proud of him I could die," he wrote to his father-in-law. "He is out for Little League — so eager. He tries so very hard. It makes me think back to all the times I tried out."

In 1953, the boy was old enough to understand that tragedy had come to the family. His younger sister Robin had been sick. The Bushes had taken her to New York for treatment and one day months later, he was thrilled when they returned.

"I remember seeing them pull up and thinking I saw my little sister in the back of the car. I remember that as sure as I'm sitting here," he told The Washington Post in a 1999 interview. "I run over to the car, and there's no Robin."

She had died of leukemia.

Soon after, George H.W. Bush began his political rise that took him from local party boss to Congress, national Republican chairman, U.N. ambassador and head of the CIA. His son, meanwhile, fell in line on the father's path to the Ivy League and then back to Texas to look for oil.

It was a well-documented stretch of both work and partying for the younger Bush. His drinking produced some public embarrassments — including one 1985 episode in which he shouted profanity at Wall Street Journal reporter Al Hunt in a Dallas restaurant over a political story that he felt slighted his father, who was then in his second term as vice president.

The boozing was worrying his wife, Laura, and, Bush would say later, alcohol "was beginning to crowd out my energies."

George W. would quit cold turkey in July 1986. That same month, his father asked him to be a senior adviser in his presidential campaign.

"The younger Bush quickly became a full participant in the Bush apparatus, serving as pugnacious gatekeeper during the campaign and an enforcer of sorts in the White House," Updegrove said.

Father and son had become political partners, even if there was a vast gulf between president and adviser. Remarkably, even that gap would close. Employing all the family assets — from fundraising to friendships — George W. began his own rapid political rise, from the governorship of Texas to, finally, the same Oval Office his dad had occupied.

If there was any rivalry in having to share the country's highest title with his son, it didn't show in the giddy, exuberant, detailed letter about George W.'s inauguration that the elder Bush wrote to his friend Hugh Sidey, a Time magazine writer. Friends were calling him "41."

"It's funny after all these years to get a new name; but, hey, what does it matter if your boy is the president of the United States of America so help me God," he wrote.

In his final minutes, George H.W. Bush was on the phone with his son.

The last words the 41st president ever spoke were to the 43rd:

"I love you, too."

Trump stands on outside in presidents club

His ties with predecessors remain uneasy

By **CATHERINE LUCEY AND ZEKE MILLER**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — There was no mistaking the odd man out.

Wednesday's funeral service for former President George H.W. Bush served as a rare reunion of the remaining members of the presidents club, but the front-row banter among Barack Obama, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter and their spouses came to an uneasy end when President Donald Trump and wife Melania arrived.

The encounter was a real-time illustration of the uneasy ties between the current occupant of the White House and his predecessors, suggesting Trump as a member-in-name-only of the fraternity. While the funeral ceremony was a warm celebration of the late president, the relationships between the surviving presidents are cooler.

Trump gave the two Obamas a handshake before

taking his seat in Washington's National Cathedral without greeting the others. Hillary Clinton nodded at Melania Trump but then stared straight ahead.

The last of the five presidents to arrive was George W. Bush, who made a point to shake hands with all four couples — and appeared to share a moment of humor with Michelle Obama, slipping something into her hand. Bush then took his seat with the rest of the Bush family, across the aisle from the ex-presidents.

Some discomfort with Trump was perhaps to be expected.

Since his swearing-in, Trump has spurned most contact with his predecessors — and they have snubbed him in return. But while the staid group of Oval Office occupants has been disrupted since Donald Trump's election, the Bushes had made it known to the White House months ago that, despite differences in policy and temperament, the late president wanted



President Donald Trump, left, and first lady Melania Trump view the funeral Wednesday with former presidents and their wives — Barack Obama, Michelle Obama, Bill Clinton, Hillary Clinton, Jimmy Carter and Rosalynn Carter — in Washington.

Trump to attend the national service.

The ceremony's tributes at times stood as an unspoken counterpoint to Trump's leadership, as historian Jon Meacham eulogized Bush by recounting his life's credo: "Tell the truth, don't blame people, be strong, do your best, try hard, forgive, stay the course."

George W. Bush added of his father: "He could tease and needle, but not out of malice."

The late Bush was the de facto chair of the modern incarnation of the president's club, transcending contentious campaigns and party lines to bring together fractious personalities who

share that rarified experience.

Trump has sought to meet the elder Bush's passing with grace, a contrast to the rhythms of much of his tumultuous presidency. He came to office after a campaign in which he harshly criticized his Democratic predecessors and co-opted a Republican Party once dominated by the Bush family. Despite the traditional kinship among presidents, Trump's predecessors have all made their discomfort known in different ways.

"It's unusual that a cabal of ex-presidents from both parties dislike a sitting president — and that's what you've got happening right

now," said Douglas Brinkley, a history professor at Rice University in Houston.

The Trump-Obama handshake marked the first direct interaction between the current president and his immediate predecessor since Inauguration Day 2017. Trump has not spoken to Democrats Clinton or Obama since that day.

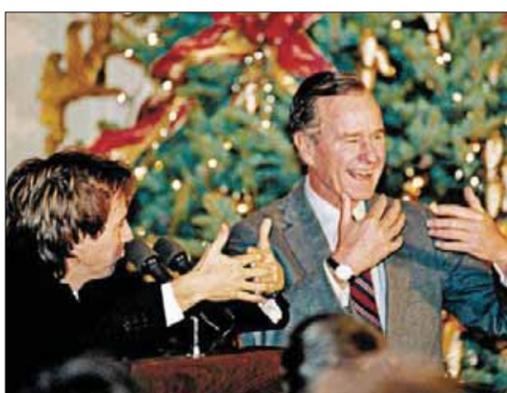
He did speak with the younger Bush during the contentious confirmation process for Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh, as the previous Republican president helped lobby for his former aide.

By virtue of health, longevity and opportunities for continued influence, ex-presidents are sticking

around longer than ever.

Busy with a mix of personal pursuits, charitable endeavors — and, in some cases, paid speaking gigs — the former leaders don't mingle often, making a funeral in their group a big occasion. Bonded by the presidency, they tend to exercise caution in their comments about each other. Still, all the living former presidents have aimed barbs — directly or indirectly — at Trump.

Even the late Bush's feelings about Trump were harsh at times. In Mark K. Updegrove's book "The Last Republicans," published last year, the elder Bush called Trump a "blow-hard."



Comic Dana Carvey, left, shows President George H.W. Bush how to imitate himself at the White House in 1992.

Memories of 41st president's humorous side

By **DEB RIECHMANN**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Memories of George H.W. Bush's underappreciated sense of humor drew laughter and brought smiles to the sorrowful mourning of the death of America's 41st president.

Presidential historian Jon Meacham recounted how comedian Dana Carvey once said that the key to doing his iconic impersonation of Bush was to mimic "Mr. Rogers trying to be

John Wayne."

That prompted chuckles that rang from the vaulted arches inside the Washington National Cathedral.

Meacham said that while campaigning and asking for votes in New Hampshire, Bush mistakenly grabbed the hand of a department store mannequin. "When he realized his mistake, he said 'Never know. Gotta ask.'"

The former president, who died Friday, often found his tongue twisted and routinely uttered funny

one-liners.

Looking ahead to the 1988 election, Bush once said: "It's no exaggeration to say that the undecideds could go one way or the other." And Meacham said that late in his presidency, Bush's tongue ran amok when he said: "We are enjoying sluggish times, but we're not enjoying them very much."

The former president's eldest son, former President George W. Bush, got in on the act, telling the packed cathedral that his father got

the last laugh because he chose former Sen. Alan Simpson to be one of the people to speak at Wednesday's ceremony.

Simpson said his friend never lost his sense of humor.

"He had a very serious flaw known by all close to him: He loved a good joke — the richer the better," Simpson said. "And he threw his head back and gave that great laugh, but he never, ever could remember a punchline. And I mean never."

Bush celebrated as humble, imperfect

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against totalitarianism. He stood in the breach in Washington against unthinking partisanship," said Jon Meacham, his biographer, who delivered the first eulogy. "On his watch, a wall fell in Berlin, a dictator's aggression did not stand."

Meacham called Bush, a naval aviator shot down during World War II, "America's last, great soldier-statesman, a 20th-century founding father," in the tradition of U.S. presidents who believed in causes larger than themselves.

"An imperfect man, he left us a more perfect union," Meacham said.

The large Bush family, including Jeb Bush, who served two terms as Florida governor and ran unsuccessfully for president, laughed at the memories of first lady Barbara Bush's straight talk, cried in recounting the death of sister Robin at 3 years old and nodded in recognition at the jokes about Bush's love of off-color jokes and digs at his own expense.

In a break with modern tradition, President Trump was not offered a chance to speak. He was the first sitting president not to make the speakers' program at the funeral of a predecessor since President Richard Nixon failed to eulogize Lyndon B. Johnson in 1973.

The elder Bush "was a man of such great humility," said former Wyoming Sen. Alan Simpson, 87. "Those who traveled the high road of humility in Washington, D.C., are not bothered by heavy traffic."

In another implied rebuke of today's Washington, Simpson added that Bush understood that "hatred corrodes the container it is carried in."

The signature Bush slogans that sometimes drew mockery from Trump and others during Bush's own life — "a thousand points of light," "a kinder, gentler"



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Along with the Bush family, hundreds of dignitaries and elected leaders filled the pews at Washington National Cathedral to remember the 41st president.

nation — were celebrated as sincere reflections of his essence.

"My hunch is heaven, as perfect as it must be, just got a bit kinder and gentler," said the Rev. Russell Levenson Jr., rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston.

"Some have said in the last few days, 'This is an end of an era,'" Levenson said at another point. "But it does not have to be. Perhaps it's an invitation to fill the hole that has been left behind."

It was not just Bush's old rhetoric that was given a nostalgic reboot. The policy achievements his eulogists chose to highlight demonstrated how much has changed in both the country

and the Republican Party that Bush and his family personified for half a century: the updating of the Clean Air Act, the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act, negotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement, assembling an international coalition to end Saddam Hussein's occupation of Kuwait.

Simpson even recalled how Bush broke his "read my lips" pledge and agreed to raise taxes, a decision that was "surely one of the main factors ensuring his return to private life."

"I'll never forget it," Simpson said. "He said 'What I have said on that subject sure puts a hell of a lot of heat on me.'"

His own party turned on him after that, Simpson recalled.

"But he often said 'When the really tough choices come, it's the country, not me — it's not about Democrats or Republicans, it's for our country that I fought for,'" Simpson recalled Bush saying.

Though Bush later acknowledged that his 1992 defeat made him bitter and angry for a time, former Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said that by 2001 — after Jeb Bush became governor of Florida and George W. Bush won the presidency — the elder Bush and former first lady found serenity. Mulroney read from notes he made

during a long private discussion he had with the former president at the time, while visiting him at the family retreat called Walker's Point in Kennebunkport, Maine.

"They are truly at peace with themselves, joyous in what they and the children have achieved, gratified by the goodness that God has bestowed upon them all, and genuinely content with the thrill and the promise of each passing day," Mulroney said.

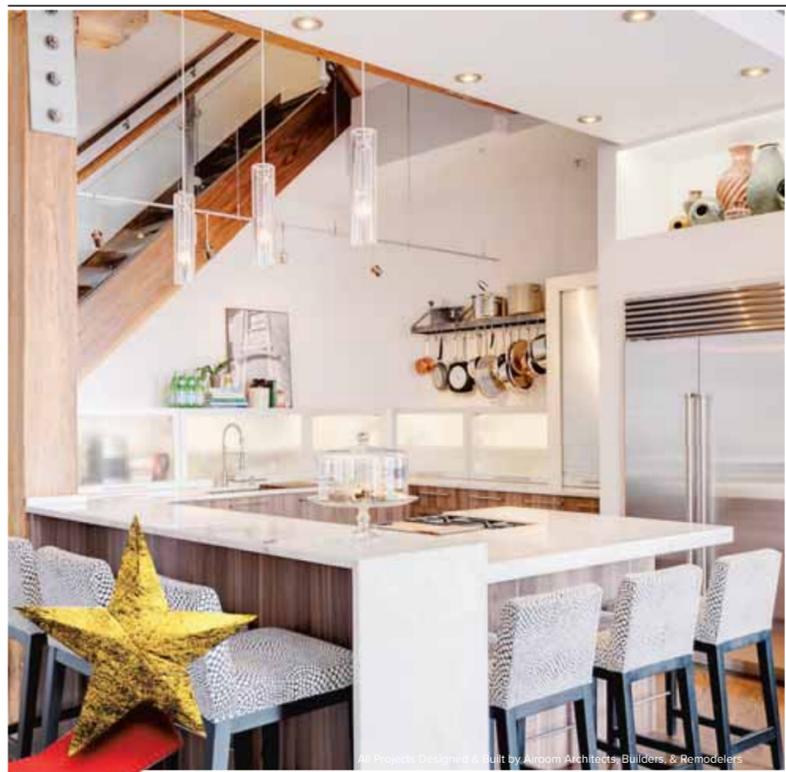
In lighter moments, George W. Bush acknowledged that his father was "not totally perfect . His short game was lousy. He wasn't exactly Fred Astaire on the dance floor. The man

couldn't stomach vegetables, especially broccoli."

During the nearly two-hour service, Clinton nodded when George W. Bush noted how his father eventually became the unlikely of mentors for the Democratic president who defeated him, after both left office and were focused on their post-presidencies.

And many in the room wept when the younger Bush recounted speaking to his father on the phone Friday, shortly before he died.

"I said 'Dad, I love you and you've been a wonderful father,'" George W. said. "And the last words he would ever say on earth were 'I love you too.'"



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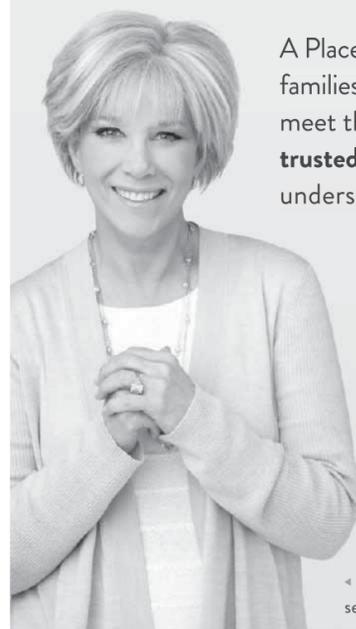
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Bush's eulogy on 'Dad's life'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Remarks by former President George W. Bush at the state funeral service for his father, former President George H. W. Bush, as provided by the George W. Bush's office:

Distinguished Guests, including our Presidents and First Ladies, government officials, foreign dignitaries, and friends: Jeb, Neil, Marvin, Doro, and I, and our families, thank you all for being here.

I once heard it said of man that "The idea is to die young as late as possible." (Laughter.)

At age 85, a favorite pastime of George H.W. Bush was firing up his boat, the Fidelity, and opening up the three-300 horsepower engines to fly — joyfully fly — across the Atlantic, with Secret Service boats straining to keep up.

At 90, George H.W. Bush parachuted out of an aircraft and landed on the grounds of St. Ann's by the Sea in Kennebunkport, Maine — the church where his mom was married and where he'd worshipped often. Mother liked to say he chose the location just in case the chute didn't open. (Laughter.)

In his 90s, he took great delight when his closest pal, James A. Baker, smuggled a bottle of Grey Goose vodka into his hospital room. Apparently, it paired well with the steak Baker had delivered from Morton's. (Laughter.)

To his very last days, Dad's life was instructive. As he aged, he taught us how to grow old with dignity, humor, and kindness — and, when the Good Lord finally called, how to meet Him with courage and with joy in the promise of what lies ahead.

One reason Dad knew how to die young is that he almost did it — twice. When he was a teenager, a staph infection nearly took his life. A few years later he was alone in the Pacific on a life raft, praying that his rescuers would find him before the enemy did.

God answered those prayers. It turned out He had other plans for George H.W. Bush. For Dad's part, I think those brushes with death made him cherish the gift of life. And he vowed to live every day to the fullest.

Dad was always busy — a man in constant motion — but never too busy to share his love of life with those around him. He taught us to love the outdoors. He loved watching dogs flush a covey. He loved landing the elusive striper. And once confined to a wheelchair, he seemed happiest sitting in his favorite perch on the back porch at Walker's Point contemplating the majesty of the Atlantic. The horizons he saw were bright and hopeful. He was a genuinely optimistic man. And that optimism guided his children and made each of us believe that anything was possible.

He continually broadened his horizons with daring decisions. He was a patriot. After high school, he put college on hold and became a Navy fighter pilot as World War II broke out. Like many of his generation, he never talked about his service until his time as a public figure forced his hand. We learned of the attack on Chichi Jima, the mission completed, the shoot-down. We learned of the death of his crewmates, whom he thought about throughout his entire life. And we learned of his rescue.

And then, another audacious decision; he moved his young family from the comforts of the East Coast to Odessa, Texas. He and mom adjusted to their arid surroundings quickly. He was a tolerant man. After all, he was kind and neighborly to the women with whom he, mom and I shared a bathroom in our small duplex — even after he learned their profes-



CHRIS KLEPONIS/GETTY

Former President George W. Bush delivers a eulogy at the service of his father, George H.W. Bush, on Wednesday at the National Cathedral.



PAUL SANCYA/AP

Former President George H.W. Bush and first lady Barbara Bush have a laugh in 2008. In George W. Bush's eulogy, he touched on both his father's sense of humor and his love for his wife of 73 years. She died in April.

sion — ladies of the night. (Laughter.)

Dad could relate to people from all walks of life. He was an empathetic man. He valued character over pedigree. And he was no cynic. He looked for the good in each person — and usually found it.

Dad taught us that public service is noble and necessary; that one can serve with integrity and hold true to the important values, like faith and family. He strongly believed that it was important to give back to the community and country in which one lived. He recognized that serving others enriched the giver's soul. To us, his was the brightest of a thousand points of light.

In victory, he shared credit. When he lost, he shouldered the blame. He accepted that failure is part of living a full life, but taught us never to be defined by failure. He showed us how setbacks can strengthen.

None of his disappointments could compare with one of life's greatest tragedies, the loss of a young child. Jeb and I were too young to remember the pain and agony he and mom felt when our 3-year-old sister died. We only learned later that Dad, a man of quiet faith, prayed for her daily. He

was sustained by the love of the Almighty and the real and enduring love of our mom. Dad always believed that one day he would hug his precious Robin again.

He loved to laugh, especially at himself. He could tease and needle, but never out of malice. He placed great value on a good joke. That's why he chose Simpson to speak. (Laughter.) On email, he had a circle of friends with whom he shared or received the latest jokes. His grading system for the quality of the joke was classic George Bush. The rare 7s and 8s were considered huge winners — most of them off-color. (Laughter.)

George Bush knew how to be a true and loyal friend. He honored and nurtured his many friendships with his generous and giving soul. There exist thousands of handwritten notes encouraging, or sympathizing, or thanking his friends and acquaintances.

He had an enormous capacity to give of himself. Many a person would tell you that dad became a mentor and a father figure in their life. He listened and he consoled. He was their friend. I think of Don Rhodes, Taylor Blanton, Jim Nantz, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and perhaps the unlikely of all, the man who defeated him, Bill Clinton. My siblings and I refer to

the guys in this group as "brothers from other mothers." (Laughter.)

He taught us that a day was not meant to be wasted. He played golf at a legendary pace. I always wondered why he insisted on speed golf. He was a good golfer.

Well, here's my conclusion: he played fast so that he could move on to the next event, to enjoy the rest of the day, to expend his enormous energy, to live it all. He was born with just two settings: full throttle, then sleep. (Laughter)

He taught us what it means to be a wonderful father, grandfather, and great grand-father. He was firm in his principles and supportive as we began to seek our own ways. He encouraged and comforted, but never steered. We tested his patience — I know I did (laughter) — but he always responded with the great gift of unconditional love.

Last Friday, when I was told he had minutes to live, I called him. The guy who answered the phone said, "I think he can hear you, but hasn't say anything most of the day. I said, "Dad, I love you, and you've been a wonderful father." And the last words he would ever say on earth were, "I love you, too."

To us, he was close to perfect. But, not totally perfect. His short game was lousy. (Laughter.) He

wasn't exactly Fred Astaire on the dance floor. (Laughter.) The man couldn't stomach vegetables, especially broccoli. (Laughter.) And by the way, he passed these genetic defects along to us. (Laughter.)

Finally, every day of his 73 years of marriage, Dad taught us all what it means to be a great husband. He married his sweetheart. He adored her. He laughed and cried with her. He was dedicated to her totally.

In his old age, dad enjoyed watching police show reruns, volume on high (laughter), all the while holding mom's hand. After mom died, Dad was strong, but all he really wanted to do was to hold mom's hand, again.

Of course, Dad taught me another special lesson. He showed me what it means to be a President who serves with integrity, leads with courage, and acts with love in his heart for the citizens of our country. When the history books are written, they will say that George H.W. Bush was a great President of the United States — a diplomat of unmatched skill, a Commander in Chief of formidable accomplishment, and a gentleman who executed the duties of his office with dignity and honor.

In his Inaugural Address, the 41st President of the United States said this: "We cannot hope only to leave our children a bigger car, a bigger bank account. We must hope to give them a sense of what it means to be a loyal friend, a loving parent, a citizen who leaves his home, his neighborhood and town better than he found it. What do we want the men and women who work with us to say when we are no longer there? That we were more driven to succeed than anyone around us? Or that we stopped to ask if a sick child had gotten better, and stayed a moment there to trade a word of friendship?"

Well, Dad — we're going to remember you for exactly that and so much more.

And we're going to miss you. Your decency, sincerity, and kind soul will stay with us forever. So, through our tears, let us see the blessings of knowing and loving you — a great and noble man, and the best father a son or daughter could have.

And in our grief, let us smile knowing that Dad is hugging Robin and holding mom's hand again.

Secret Service recalls 2013 gesture from 'Timberwolf'

BY LINDSEY BEVER
The Washington Post

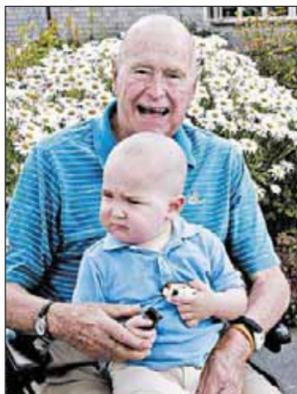
Former President George H.W. Bush sat near a flower garden in Kennebunkport, Maine, in 2013, holding a 2-year-old child. The pair wore matching blue polo shirts and khaki pants — and sported the same hairstyle.

Bush had learned that the boy, the son of an agent on his Secret Service detail, had been diagnosed with leukemia.

The toddler had lost his hair and, to show their support, members of the detail were planning to shave their heads.

So the former president did, too. His wife, Barbara, snapped a photo, which soon went viral.

"When little Patrick got leukemia, a lot of the agents shaved their heads," Bush explained to his granddaughter Jenna Bush Hager, a contributing correspondent for NBC's "Today" show. "I said, 'Well



BARBARA BUSH/2013

George H.W. Bush with Patrick, then 2, in Kennebunkport, Maine.

why not me?" It was the right thing to do."

"They're a wonderful group of people," Bush said. "They're like family with us."

"With his passing, a part of the soul of the Secret Service is gone as well. However, it will never be forgotten. His legacy will live on in the hearts of the countless people he touched."

—Jonathan Wackrow, CNN analyst and former Secret Service agent

The agents thought of the president the same way.

The Secret Service re-shared the photo this week on Twitter, referring to the 41st president by his code name, "Timberwolf."

The boy's battle with leukemia hit close to home for the former president: He and his wife lost their 3-year-old daughter, Robin, to the disease in 1953.

Following the gesture in 2013, the family of Patrick, whose last

name was not disclosed, said in a statement to "Today" that they were "humbled and honored by the support and generosity that President and Mrs. Bush and our Secret Service family have shown towards our son."

Three years later, Bush posted the photo on his personal Twitter account, along with an updated one showing the boy several years older — with a full head of hair.

"Incredibly #thankful that my

friend Patrick, the courageous young man (with hair!) to my left, is feeling and doing much better these days," he wrote at the time.

CNN analyst Jonathan Wackrow, a former Secret Service agent, remembered that moment Tuesday in an op-ed for the network, saying that members of the security detail considered Bush family.

"Over the 38 years that members of the Secret Service had the privilege of protecting Bush and his family, he, in turn, became part of the Secret Service family. Each day, he led by example, teaching us how to live with dignity and respect," Wackrow wrote.

"With his passing, a part of the soul of the Secret Service is gone as well. However, it will never be forgotten. Instead, his legacy will live on in the hearts of the countless people he touched.

"It was an honor and privilege to protect you, Timberwolf," Wackrow wrote.

Evers to ask Walker to veto lame-duck bills

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nor to veto the proposals, he will consider lawsuits and any other option “to make sure that this legislation does not get into practice.”

The early morning votes were the height of a rare lame-duck legislative session. Walker has signaled his support for the bills. He has 10 days to sign the package after it's delivered to his office.

The session unfolded a month after Republicans were battered in the midterm election. They lost all statewide races amid strong Democratic turnout. But they retained legislative majorities thanks to what Democrats say are gerrymandered districts that tilt the map.

A Walker spokeswoman said the governor, who was in Washington for former President George H.W. Bush's funeral, would not have any public comment Wednesday.

The new legislation tries to protect some of the GOP's achievements in recent years, including a work requirement for some people receiving state health care and the state's role in a lawsuit seeking to overturn the Affordable Care Act. The bills could also make it harder for Evers to renegotiate a \$3 billion subsidy for a Foxconn electronics manufacturing facility, a deal



MARK HOFFMAN/AP

People protest the legislature's session during the official Christmas tree lighting ceremony Tuesday at the Capitol.

spearheaded by Walker.

In neighboring Michigan, Republicans who control the Legislature voted to advance a measure that strips campaign-finance oversight power from the next secretary of state, a Democrat. They also moved to give lawmakers authority to stand up for GOP-backed laws if they think the in-

coming Democratic governor and attorney general are not adequately defending the state's interests.

The Wisconsin legislation passed in a session marked by stops and starts as GOP leaders tried to muster enough votes in the Senate. That chamber ultimately approved the package 17-16, with just one

Republican voting against it, around sunrise. The Assembly approved it, 56-27, two hours later, with one Republican defecting.

In one concession, Republicans backed away from giving the Legislature the power to sidestep the attorney general and appoint their own attorney when state laws are chal-

lenged in court.

“This is a heck of a way to run a railroad,” Democratic Senate Minority Leader Jennifer Shilling said as the debate resumed at 5 a.m. after a seven-hour impasse. “This is embarrassing we're even here.”

Walker is in his final five weeks as governor. Faced with a Democratic governor



Evers

Walker

for the first time in eight years, Republicans came up with a package of lame-duck bills to preserve their priorities and make it harder for Evers to enact his.

“You're here because you don't want to give up power,” Democratic Assembly Minority Leader Gordon Hintz said as debate concluded in that chamber. “You're sore losers. Does anybody think this is the right way to do business? If you vote for this, shame on you. You will go down in history as a disgrace.”

Assembly Speaker Robin Vos countered that the bills would ensure a balance of power between the Legislature and executive branch.

“We have allowed far too much authority to flow to the executive,” Vos said. “To you, this is all about politics. To me, it's about the institution.”

The changes would also weaken the governor's ability to put in place rules that enact laws. And they would limit early voting to no more than two weeks before an election, a restriction similar to what a federal judge ruled was unconstitutional.



BOB EDMÉ/AP

A demonstrator wearing a yellow vest reading “Macron give us the wealth tax” protests Wednesday at the toll gates on a motorway in southwestern France.

Macron scraps fuel tax hike amid fears of more violence

BY SYLVIE CORBET, SAMUEL PETREQUIN AND ANGELA CHARLTON
Associated Press

PARIS — French President Emmanuel Macron scrapped a fuel tax rise Wednesday amid fears of new violence, after weeks of nationwide protests and the worst rioting in Paris in decades.

Protesters celebrated the victory, but some said Macron's surrender came too late and is no longer enough to quell the mounting anger at the president, whom they consider out of touch with the problems of ordinary people.

Macron decided Wednesday to “get rid” of the tax planned for next year, an official in the president's office told The Associated Press. Prime Minister Edouard Philippe told lawmakers the tax is no longer included in the 2019 budget.

The decision has ramifications beyond France, since the fuel tax rise was part of Macron's efforts to wean France off fossil fuels in order to reduce greenhouse gases and help slow climate change. Its withdrawal is both a blow to broader efforts to fight cli-

mate change and a warning to other world leaders trying to do the same thing.

The “yellow vest” protests began Nov. 17 over the government plan to raise taxes on diesel and gasoline, but by the time Macron bowed to three weeks of violence and abandoned the new fuel tax, protesters were demanding much more. Many workers in France are angry over the combination of low wages, high taxes and high unemployment that have left many people struggling financially.

On Tuesday, the government agreed to suspend the fuel tax rise for six months. But instead of appeasing the protesters, it spurred other groups to join in, hoping for concessions of their own. The protests took on an even bigger dimension Wednesday with trade unions and farmers vowing to join the fray.

Police warned of potential violence during demonstrations in Paris on Saturday, with one small security forces union threatening a strike.

So after nightfall Wednesday, as parliament debated the 2019 budget, Macron's government gave

in.

“I have no problem with admitting that on such or such question we could have done differently, that if there is such a level of anger it's because we still have a lot of things to improve,” the prime minister told legislators.

Philippe said “the tax is now abandoned” in the 2019 budget, and the government is “ready for dialogue.” The budget can be renegotiated through the year, but given the scale of the recent protests, Macron is unlikely to revive the added fuel tax idea anytime soon.

Three weeks of protests have caused four deaths, injured hundreds and littered central Paris with burned cars and shattered windows.

One activist said he fears more deaths if Saturday's yellow vest demonstration goes ahead and urged Macron to calm the nation.

“If not there will be chaos,” said Christophe Chalencon, a 52-year-old blacksmith from southern France. He said the French public needs Macron to “admit he made a mistake, with simple words that touch the guts and heart of the French.”

High court to hear Ala. double jeopardy case

Outcome could have effect on Mueller investigation

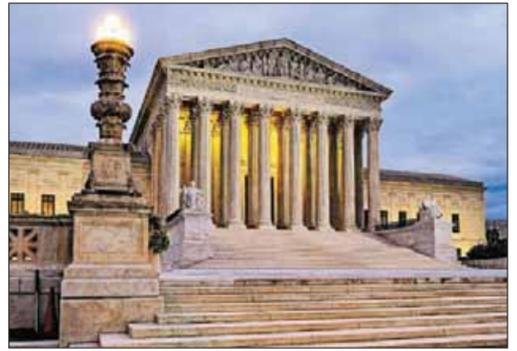
WASHINGTON — The Constitution says you can't be tried twice for the same offense. And yet Terance Gamble is sitting in prison today because he was prosecuted separately by Alabama and the federal government for having a gun after an earlier robbery conviction.

The Supreme Court is considering Gamble's case Thursday, and the outcome could have a spillover effect on the investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 election.

At issue is whether to overturn a court-created exception to the Constitution's double-jeopardy bar that allows state and federal prosecutions for the same crime. The court's ruling could be relevant if President Donald Trump were to pardon someone implicated in special counsel Robert Mueller's probe and a state wanted to pursue its own charges against that person.

Supreme Court lawyer Tom Goldstein joked at a Washington event before the term began in October that the high court case should be called *New York v. Manafort*, a reference to former Trump campaign manager Paul Manafort. Trump has refused to rule out an eventual pardon for Manafort, who has been convicted of federal financial fraud and conspiracy crimes. It's by no means certain that the high court ruling will affect future prosecutions.

But Trump's Justice Department is urging the court not to depart from what it says is an unbroken line of cases reaching back nearly 170 years in favor of allowing prosecutions by state and federal authorities. Thirty-six states that



J. DAVID AKE/AP

The U.S. Supreme Court will hear the case of Terance Gamble, who was prosecuted separately by the state of Alabama and the federal government.

include Republican-led Texas and Democratic-led New York are on the administration's side, as are advocates for Native American women who worry that a decision for Gamble would make it harder to prosecute domestic and sexual violence crimes.

Civil rights scholars at Howard University adopt a sort of middle ground that urges the court to at least preserve the federal government's ability to lead civil rights prosecutions against people who have been acquitted of state charges. Civil rights charges to fight crimes of racial violence have been a key tool for federal prosecutors, especially when Southern juries were unwilling to convict defendants. The most recent example the scholars cited is the successful federal prosecution of Los Angeles police officers who had been acquitted of state charges in the beating of Rodney King.

On the other side, liberal and conservative groups say that the huge growth in federal criminal prosecutions in recent decades makes it urgent for the court to rein in successive prosecutions for the same crime.

Reinforcing the seemingly odd alliances in play on this issue is that the unlikely high court duo of Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Clarence Thomas first suggested in 2016 that the topic “bears fresh examination in an appropriate case.”

At least four justices — the minimum required to hear arguments — felt Gamble's situation is that appropriate case.

There is no dispute that Gamble's arrest in 2015 for possessing a 9 mm handgun led to state and federal charges. He pleaded guilty in state court and tried to have the federal charge dismissed. When that failed, he pleaded guilty in federal court as well, with the idea of mounting the constitutional challenge that is now before the Supreme Court.

Gamble is not scheduled for release from prison until 2020, nearly three years later than he would have been freed from conviction on state charges alone, his lawyer, Louis Chaiten, wrote in court papers.

The relevant portion of the Constitution's Fifth Amendment says that no person shall “be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb.”

Somali officials report deadly U.S.-backed raid on al-Shabab

BY ABDI GULED
Associated Press

NAIROBI, Kenya — Somali commandos backed by U.S. forces raided two al-Shabab checkpoints at which the extremists extort money from commercial vehicles, killing several fighters, Somali intelligence officials said Wednesday.

The officials also said two U.S. airstrikes in the area during the overnight raid destroyed an explosives-laden minibus that was prepared for a complex attack

on an unspecified location. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media.

The U.S. Africa Command in a statement said four extremists were killed in a “self-defense airstrike” after U.S. and partner forces came under attack. It said no civilians were involved.

Residents of Awdhegle, a farming village in Lower Shabelle region in southern Somalia, said they had heard gunfire and explosions.

Al-Shabab uses Somalia “to plot and direct terror attacks, steal humanitarian aid, extort the local populace to fund its operations and shelter radical terrorists.”

—U.S. statement

“Something big happened here last night. We only know that al-Shabab was under attack, said one elder, who gave his name only as Yusuf for fear of

reprisal from the al-Qaida-linked extremists.

“Then we woke up to find fighters sealed off the whole area in the morning,” he said.

The U.S. military has stepped up the fight against al-Shabab since President Donald Trump took office, carrying out more airstrikes in 2017 than over the previous decade. The U.S. has carried out at least 38 airstrikes this year.

Al-Shabab “uses portions of southern and central Somalia to plot and direct terror attacks, steal humanitarian aid, extort the local populace to fund its operations and shelter radical terrorists,” the U.S. statement said.

The U.S. military in coordination with Somali forces, as well as an African Union force, have targeted al-Shabab's finance operations in recent weeks.

Last month, Somali intelligence officials said at least four missiles hit a base for over 30 extremists assigned to collect livestock taxes from nomadic communities in the central Mudug region.

In October, the AU force said the head of tax collection in Lower Shabelle region was killed.

Cockpit automation's consequences

Jets are safer, but system hiccups can have bad results

BY ALAN LEVIN
Bloomberg News

As Boeing was developing its latest version of the 737 Max 8, it discovered the design was slightly more prone to a loss of control. So the company added a computer-driven safety feature — one that is now a focus of the investigation into a fatal crash last month near Indonesia.

If preliminary findings are borne out, the Oct. 29 crash of the Lion Air 737 Max 8 may end up being one of a number of cases in which the cockpit automation that's made flying safer also had the unintended consequence of confusing pilots and contributing to tragedy.

For decades, planemakers have been adding automated systems to help pilots set engine thrust, navigate with higher precision and even override the humans in the cockpit if they make mistakes. Airline disasters have become increasingly rare as a result, but automation-related crashes have become a growing share of the few that continue to occur, according to government studies and accident reports.

"There's no question that automation has been a tremendous boon to safety in commercial aviation," said Steve Wallace, who served as the chief accident investigator for the Federal Aviation Administration. "At the same time, there have been many accidents where automation was cited as a factor."

A 2013 report by the FAA found more than 60 percent of 26 accidents over a decade involved pilots making errors after automated systems abruptly shut down or behaved in unexpected ways.

For example, pilots on Air France Flight 447 inexplicably



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Instruments and controls sit in the cockpit of Boeing's highly automated 737 Max 7 jetliner.

cably made abrupt movements and lost control of their Airbus SE A330 over the Atlantic Ocean in 2009 after they lost their airspeed readings and the plane's automated flight protections disconnected. All 228 people on board died.

The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board concluded that pilots of an Asiana Airlines Boeing 777-200ER that struck a seawall in San Francisco in 2013 while trying to land, killing three, didn't realize they'd shut off their automatic speed control system in part because it wasn't properly documented.

Pilots on Lion Air Flight 610 were battling multiple failures in the minutes after they took off from Jakarta on the early morning flight, according to Indonesia's National Transportation Safety Committee. The pilots had asked to return to land as they dealt with the issues, but plunged into the Java Sea at high speed before they could get back, according to investigators.

All 189 people aboard were killed.

Data from the recovered flight recorder shows that the Max's new safety feature, known as Maneuvering Characteristics Augmentation System, was triggered. An errant sensor signaled that the plane was in danger of stalling and prompted the MCAS to compensate by repeatedly sending the plane into a dive.

The pilots counteracted it repeatedly by flipping a switch to raise the nose manually, which temporarily disabled MCAS. The cycle repeated itself more than two dozen times before the plane entered its final dive, according to flight data.

This occurred as multiple other systems were malfunctioning or issuing cockpit warnings. Most notably, the cockpit was permeated by the loud thumping sound of a device on the captain's side of the cockpit known as a stick shaker, which is designed to warn the pilots

they are in danger of losing lift on their wings. The stick shaker was erroneous too, prompted by the same false readings from the sensor.

Boeing didn't respond to a request for comment on its automation, but has previously stressed that a procedure that pilots train for should have overcome the malfunction.

"Boeing is taking every measure to fully understand all aspects of this accident, working closely with the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board as technical advisers to support the NTSB as the investigation continues," the aircraft maker said in an earlier statement.

Airline accidents almost never occur from a single cause and preliminary information from the investigation suggests multiple factors were at work in the fatal Lion Air flight.

While maintenance and pilot training may be found to be more significant, the underlying issue with an automation system behav-

ing in unexpected ways puts the accident in a now-common category.

Planemakers have been adding more automation to help pilots avoid errors as aviation technology has become increasingly sophisticated.

At Airbus, flight computers oversee pilots' control inputs on models built since the late 1980s and won't allow steep dives or turns deemed unsafe. Boeing's philosophy has been to leave more authority in the hands of pilots, but newer designs include some computerized limits and, like Airbus, its aircraft are equipped with sophisticated autopilots and systems to set speed during landings, among other functions.

The new feature on the 737 Max family of aircraft was designed to address one of the most common remaining killers in commercial aviation. By nudging the plane nose down in certain situations, the MCAS software lowers the chances of

an aerodynamic stall and a loss of control. Loss-of-control accidents killed 1,131 people from 2008 through 2017, by far the biggest category, according to Boeing statistics.

This type of automation is credited with helping create the unprecedented safety improvements of recent decades, yet it hasn't been perfect.

"A lot of the experts have commented that human beings are not very good at monitoring machines," said Roger Cox, a former NTSB investigator who specialized in pilot actions. "The reverse is better. Machines are pretty good at monitoring human beings."

Devices that offer relatively simple warnings of an impending mid-air collision, for example, have proven nearly fool proof. On the other hand, more complex systems that aid pilots but require human oversight have on rare occasions confused crews and led to crashes.

It's also important to keep in mind that issues with automation can be exacerbated by pilot actions, Cox said.

"Often times, what we call an automation error is really a proficiency error or a lack-of-attention error, and not fundamentally a fault of the automation," he said.

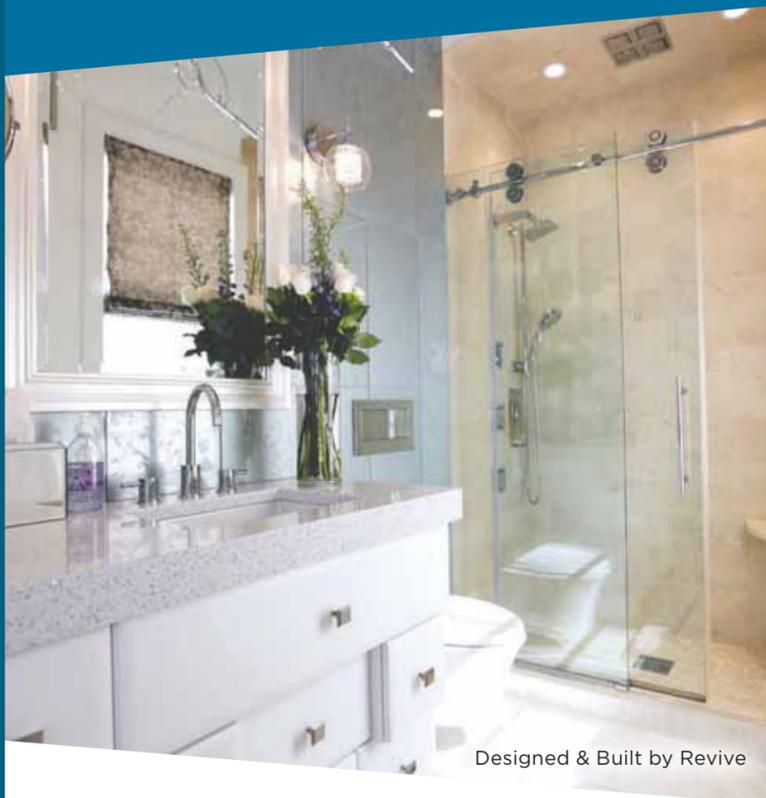
Indeed, the pilots in the Lion Air crash didn't follow an emergency procedure that could have deactivated MCAS and allowed them to fly normally, according to investigators.

A different pilot crew the night before the accident had effectively shut off MCAS during an identical emergency and landed routinely.

At least one reason that these type of accidents occur may have to do with how pilots' manual flying skills atrophy as cockpits become more automated, according to a 2014 study by NASA research psychologist Stephen Casner.

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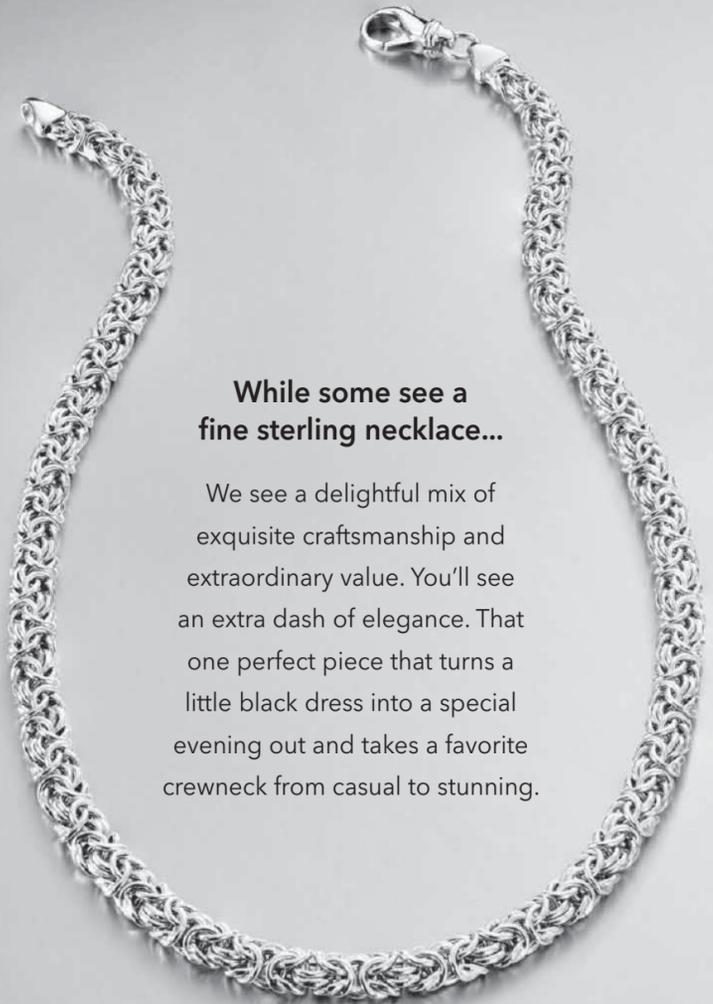
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Border Patrol agent charged with capital murder in Texas

LAREDO, Texas — A U.S. Border Patrol agent who confessed to killing four women and leaving their bodies on rural Texas roadsides has been charged with capital murder, and a prosecutor said Wednesday that he intends to seek the death penalty.

Juan David Ortiz, a Navy veteran, told investigators he killed the women, whom police have identified as sex workers, because he wanted “to

clean up the streets of Laredo,” Webb County District Attorney Isidro Alaniz said.

Ortiz, 35, was initially charged with four counts of murder, as well as aggravated assault and unlawful restraint.

He has been held in Webb County jail on a \$2.5 million bond since his Sept. 15 arrest in Laredo.

All of the women killed had been shot, but one them died of blunt force trauma, Alaniz said.

Search underway after 2 U.S. warplanes collide off Japan

TOKYO — Japanese and U.S. officials say two American warplanes crashed into the Pacific Ocean off Japan's southwestern coast after a mid-air collision early Thursday, and search and rescue operations are underway.

Japan's Defense Ministry says a second crew member has been found. One crew from a fighter jet was rescued in stable condition earlier Thursday. Five others are still

missing. The crew's condition is unknown.

The Marines say an F/A-18 fighter jet and a KC-130 refueling aircraft collided and crashed during training.

The seven crew members included two in the F/A-18 and five in the KC-130.

The two aircraft crashed about 60 miles south of the Muroto cape on the Shikoku main island.

Netanyahu pledges action a day after women's march in Tel Aviv

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Wednesday that he will fast-track a bill combating domestic violence after tens of thousands of Israelis marched the previous day in Tel Aviv to protest perceived government inaction.

Netanyahu ordered the government to advance the bill, which would track convicted or suspected domestic abusers with GPS bracelets to ensure

they comply with probation and bail restrictions.

Netanyahu says violence against women is “like terror in every respect” and pledged harsher punishments for perpetrators.

Organizers of Tuesday's protests want the government to implement a \$67 million plan it promised last year to combat violence against women.

At least 24 women were killed in Israel this year.



Prince William and his wife, Kate, bring gifts Wednesday to British servicemen at the Royal Air Force Base Akrotiri in Cyprus. The visit by the royal couple was designed to honor the 11,000 service members deployed on foreign operations over the holidays.

Climate reality check: Global carbon pollution soars in 2018

WASHINGTON — After several years of little growth, global emissions of heat-trapping carbon dioxide experienced the largest jump in seven years, discouraging scientists.

World carbon dioxide emissions are estimated to have risen 2.7 percent from 2017 to 2018, according to three studies released Wednesday from the Global Carbon Project, an international scientific collaboration of academics, governments and industry that tracks greenhouse gas emissions. The calculations, announced during negotiations to put the 2015

Paris climate accord into effect, puts some of the landmark agreement's goals nearly out of reach, scientists said.

“This is terrible news,” said Andrew Jones, co-director of Climate Interactive, which models greenhouse gas emissions and temperatures but was not part of the research. “Every year that we delay serious climate action, the Paris goals become more difficult to meet.”

The studies concluded that this year the world would spew 40.9 billion tons of carbon dioxide, up from 39.8 billion tons last

year. The margin of error is about 1 percentage point on either side.

The Global Carbon Project uses government and industry reports to come up with final emission figures for 2017 and projections for 2018 based on the four biggest polluters: China, the United States, India and the European Union.

The U.S., which had been decreasing its carbon pollution, showed a jump in emissions, up 2.5 percent, for the first time since 2013. China, the globe's biggest carbon emitter, saw its largest increase since 2011: 4.6 percent.

Giuliani typo leads to anti-Trump ‘traitor’ prank

NEW YORK — A typographical error in a tweet written by one of President Donald Trump's lawyers has linked to an anti-Trump prank.

Rudy Giuliani wrote Tuesday that the social network had “allowed someone to invade my text with a disgusting anti-Pres-

ident message.” But Giuliani had inadvertently created a hyperlink when he failed to put a space after a period in a Nov. 30 tweet.

Web firm designer Jason Velazquez of Atlanta told The New York Times that he saw the link, paid \$5 to buy the domain and created a page in about 15

minutes. Those who clicked on the link saw: “Donald J. Trump is a traitor to our country.”

A Twitter spokesman said the company can't edit users' tweets and “the accusation that we're artificially injecting something into a tweet is completely false.”

Putin says if U.S. develops banned arms, so will Russia

MOSCOW — Russian President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday warned the United States that if it walks out of a key arms treaty and starts developing the type of missiles banned by it, Russia will do the same.

Putin's remarks to Russian news agencies Wednesday came a day after U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo announced at a NATO meeting that Washington will suspend its obligations under the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty in 60 days, citing Russian “cheating.”

The U.S. has shared evidence with its NATO allies that it says shows that Russia's new SSC-8 missile could give Moscow the ability to launch a nuclear strike in Europe with little or no notice. Russia denies the accusations. Putin accused the U.S. of making up excuses for pulling out of the pact.

In Slovakia: Prime Minister Peter Pellegrini said his country expelled a Russian after discovering he was a spy working under diplomatic cover. Pellegrini said Wednesday the diplomat's activities were aimed against the interests of Slovakia and NATO. Pellegrini said the person was working at the Russian Embassy.

In Egypt: A court sentenced five people, including the head of the outlawed Muslim Brotherhood group, to life in prison on charges related to inciting violence. The Cairo Criminal Court convicted Mohammed Badie and five others of providing weapons, ammunition and explosive devices to Islamic militants.

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EDITORIALS

Even pension loopholes are protected?

Then amend the Illinois Constitution.

Former Chicago labor boss Dennis Gannon worked almost 20 years for the Department of Streets and Sanitation before taking a leave of absence in 1991. He got a refund of his pension contributions and pivoted to the private sector, first at International Union of Operating Engineers Local 150 and eventually as president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, an umbrella union organization.

But there was a blip on his resume. During his leave, the city rehired him for one day in 1994, then released him again to his union leadership job. Ten years later, he was able to retire at age 50 with a city pension based on his union salary of at least \$240,000. He began receiving more than \$150,000 a year from a \$56,000 city job he had left a decade earlier.

It was an unintended consequence — many would say abuse — of the state's pension code exposed in a 2011 Tribune/WGN-TV investigation that drew the attention of federal prosecutors. Government employees who left to work for their unions could count that time toward their pensions. But the practice of applying their private-sector union salaries toward their pensionable income, instead of calculations based on what they earned as city workers, was not the intention of the pension code. Even labor-friendly Democrats in the legislature almost unanimously voted to tighten up the law following the journalists' investigation. In 2012, legislators passed, and then-Gov. Pat Quinn signed into law, a strict prohibition on government workers applying union salaries toward final pension calculations.

Public pension funds are strained as it is. Why should private-sector workers, just because they work for unions, be eligible for lofty pensions from a city and taxpayer-subsidized pension fund?

That law ushering in reforms, however, is now history. The Illinois Supreme Court on Nov. 29 ruled it unconstitutional. A handful of workers for the city of Chicago and Chicago Public Schools who also went on leave to work for their unions had sued. The plaintiffs in the case were Rochelle Carmichael, June Davis, Zeidre Foster, Oscar Hall, Anthony Lopez, Kathleen Mahoney, Joseph Notaro, Michael Senese, David Torres and the unions representing them. The court sided with them.

The justices ruled that even if lawmakers didn't intend to allow union salaries to be applied toward public pensions, they couldn't go back and change the rules. The court said the law was "ambiguous on the question of whether the union salary while on leave of absence could be used as a basis for calculating the pension." And ambiguity entitled the justices to rule liberally that the practice should be constitutionally protected.



SCOTT STANTIS



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Dennis Gannon was able to retire at age 50 with a \$150,000-a-year pension.

That's an extreme interpretation of the pension protection clause of the Illinois Constitution. The court's ruling suggests that even pensions gained through an obscurity, or loophole, or mistake, or abuse are protected as long as the workers got

away with it.

In another pending lawsuit, an Illinois Federation of Teachers lobbyist who substitute-taught in a Springfield classroom for one day became eligible to participate in the Teachers Retirement System. The

legislature tried to fix that loophole too. But we fear the justices, if they eventually rule on the case, will deem the lobbyist's pension a constitutional right.

Put short: Sub for a day. Pension for life. In recent years, the justices also upheld as a constitutional right state employees' access to certain taxpayer-funded health care coverage for life, and unionized workers' level of benefits from their date of hire until their deaths.

The solution to the state's multifaceted pension crisis should be crystal-clear to taxpayers. The Illinois Supreme Court isn't going to budget. The pension clause needs to be amended. In a Dec. 2 editorial we urged Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel to coalesce state leaders around a constitutional amendment before he leaves office.

Emanuel plans to present a pension solution to the City Council on Dec. 12. The squeeze of retirement costs is strangling Illinois and its taxpayers. We urge him and other state leaders to back that change.

Picking the right fight with Green Bay green-and-gold

The roster of men in green and gold who have given the Chicago Bears fits is long and illustrious. Ray Nitschke wouldn't just tackle halfbacks, he'd crunch them. Bart Starr cut open Bear secondaries with a surgeon's precision. Aaron Rodgers? Every Bears fan knows what's on his resume — fourth quarter comebacks on one leg, punch-in-the-gut game-winning drives, last-second touchdowns that dash playoff dreams.

And then there's Russell Beckman. He doesn't really cut the same imposing figure as, say, a Reggie White or a Clay Matthews. Paunchy, thick gray beard, wire-rimmed glasses. But he proudly dons Packers bay-green-and-cheese-gold, and his desire to wear Green Bay gear on the sidelines at Soldier Field during pregame warmups has Bears management rattled.

Beckman, a Wisconsin social studies and special education teacher in his 50s, is a Packers fan. He also has been a Bears season ticket holder for years. One of the perks for season ticket holders is that they can use accrued loyalty points for fan experiences, including standing on the sidelines during pregame warmups.

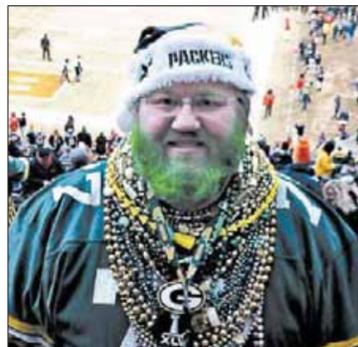
In 2016 he showed up to a Bears-Packers pregame event at Soldier Field in his Packers jersey, but was denied entry. So last year he sued the Bears in federal

court, seeking to force the team to allow him to wear his Packer garb on the sidelines during pregame warmups.

Beckman's argument is twofold. He says he should be allowed to wear what he wants because, while the Bears are a private organization, Soldier Field is owned by the Chicago Park District and is hence a public facility. And, he says, barring him from wearing what he wants on the sidelines infringes on his First Amendment rights. His suit claims "viewpoint discrimination."

The Bears lost their bid to have the case tossed out of bounds last year, but have asked the judge to reconsider that ruling. The team has a policy against fans wearing gear from the opposing team during the pregame sidelines promo, and they may be on solid legal footing to enforce that policy. Yes, they rent Soldier Field from the city. But say you get a permit to have a party at a public park. Aren't you within your legal rights to bar anyone you want from your party?

We get what's bristling the Bears. We're reminded of a line from that iconic football movie "Rudy," when Notre Dame coach Dan Devine — played by Chicago-based actor Chelcie Ross — tells his team, "No one, and I mean no one, comes in our house and pushes us around." At the



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Russell Beckman is in a legal fight with the Bears, who are trying to keep him off the Soldier Field sidelines during warmups while wearing his Packers gear.

same time, there are many bulwarks to the Bears' brand, and one of them is the team's historic, fiercely intense rivalry with those Cheeseheads to the north. Letting Beckman show up to warmups in green and gold embraces that rivalry.

Another hearing in the case is slated for Friday. While the Bears ponder their legal arguments, they should also ponder this. The best way to beat Cheeseheads is with Xs and Os, with Trubisky, Cohen and Mack — not with legal briefs. The Bears play the Packers at Soldier Field on Dec. 16. When they do, their biggest worry shouldn't be Russell Beckman's green-and-gold baubles. It should be Rodgers' cannon arm.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

I can't fathom why the Clintons would make like aging rock stars and go on a tour of Canada and the U.S. at a moment when Democrats are hoping to break the stranglehold of their cloistered, superannuated leadership and exult in a mosaic of exciting new faces.

What is the point? It's not inspirational. It's not for charity. They're not raising awareness about a cause, like Al Gore with global warming. They're only raising awareness about the Clintons. ...

Do they want to swim in their cash like Scrooge McDuck? The Clintons' tin cup is worthy of the Smithsonian. ...

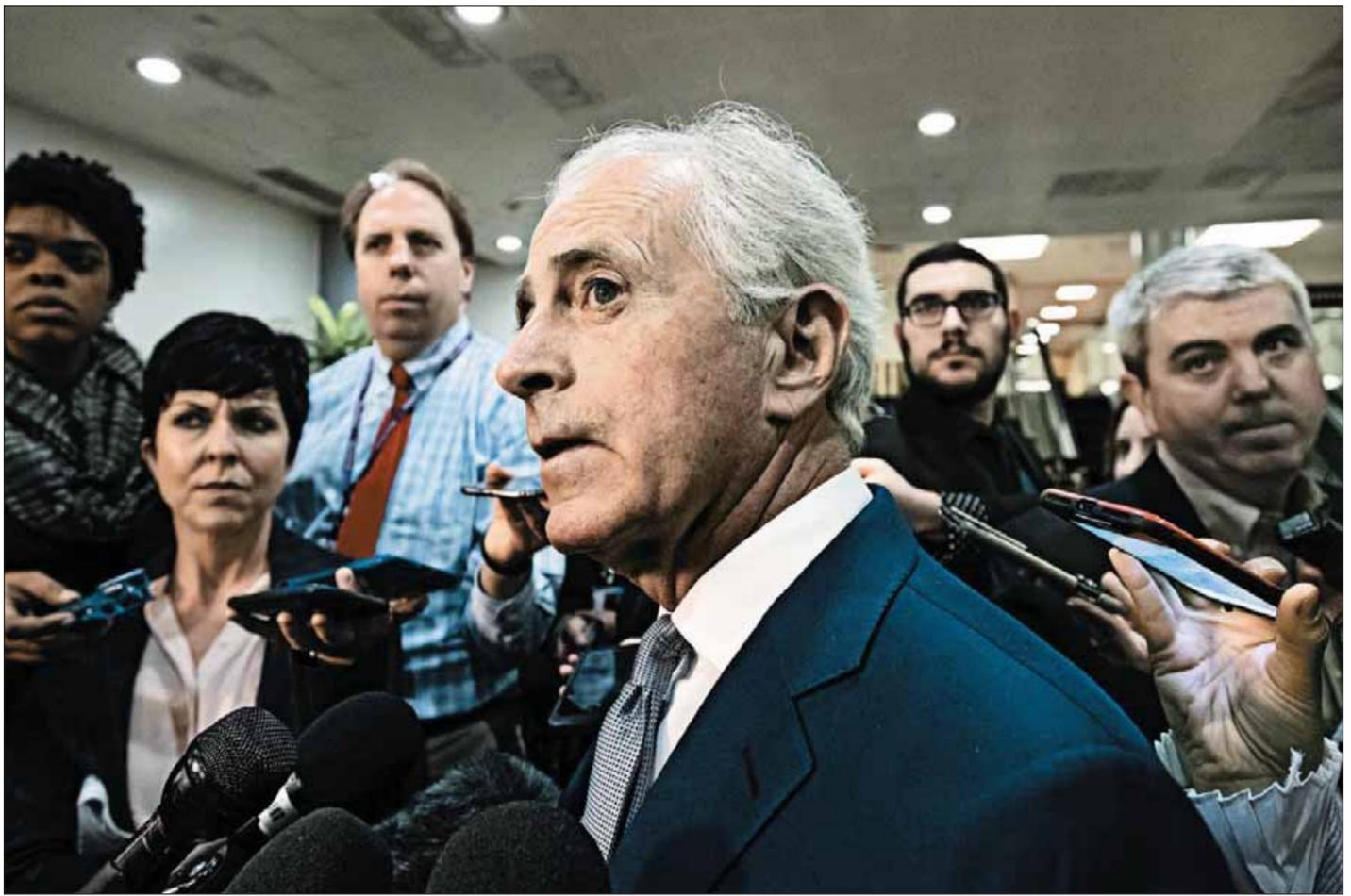
"What scares me the most is Hillary's smug certainty of her own virtue as she has become greedy and how typical that is of so many chic liberals who seem unaware of their own greed," Charlie Peters, the legendary liberal former editor of The Washington Monthly, told me. "They don't really face the complicity of what's happened to the world, how selfish we've become and the horrible damage of screwing the workers and causing this resentment that the Republicans found a way of tapping into." He ruefully worries about the Obamas in this regard, too. ...

Bill was radioactive in the midterms and Hillary was the Ghost of Christmas Past. Her approval rating is at a record low of 36 percent.

The only American who seems truly interested in her these days is President Trump, who can't stop tweeting about her.

Maureen Dowd, The New York Times

Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE



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Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Bob Corker, R-Tenn., after a security briefing on the slaying of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi on Tuesday.

The growing Republican resistance to Trump



STEVE CHAPMAN

Congressional Republicans were once noted for their defiance of the executive branch, mobilizing regularly to block presidential proposals. But that was when Barack Obama occupied the White House. They changed with the arrival of Donald Trump, who had his own definition of Republicanism and induced GOP officeholders to alter theirs.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and House Speaker Paul Ryan often evoke Winston Churchill's description of Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald as the "Boneless Wonder." But lately, some Republican members of Congress have given evidence of spines that they are capable of stiffening.

The most potent stimulus came from the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi in Saudi Arabia's consulate in Istanbul, which raised suspicions that he had been killed on order of Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, known as MBS. Trump professed agnosticism, issuing a statement that said, "It could very well be that the Crown Prince had knowledge of this

tragic event — maybe he did and maybe he didn't!"

Republican lawmakers resented this insult to their intelligence. After a classified briefing by CIA Director Gina Haspel on Tuesday, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Bob Corker said, "I have zero question in my mind that the crown prince, MBS, ordered the killing." Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina said only the "willfully blind" could doubt it — a jab at Trump's denial of the obvious.

Even before the briefing, many GOP members were in revolt over Trump's embrace of Riyadh. Last week, the Senate voted 63-37 to advance a bill to cut off U.S. military support of the war the Saudis have been fighting in Yemen. Fourteen Republicans supported the measure, even though Secretary of State Mike Pompeo denounced it as a favor to the Islamic State.

The opposition goes beyond disagreement about how to handle the Saudis. The measure would also reassert Congress' right to override the president when he involves the nation in military conflicts.

It rests on the War Powers Resolution, which says that as a rule, the president may not undertake foreign hostilities for more than 90 days without the approval of Congress. The resolution, passed in 1973, has rarely been invoked,

but Trump has given it new life.

He also has met resistance in his own party on his favorite cause: building a wall on our southern border. His campaign pledge was that Mexico would pay the cost of the barrier. When that fantasy failed to materialize, he had to beseech Congress, which has shown little interest in his vanity project.

Trump has vowed repeatedly to shut down the government if spending bills didn't include enough money for the wall. Each time, he has backed down. In March, signing a \$1.3 trillion spending package that provided far less for it than he demanded, he vowed to "never sign another bill like this again." In September, he caved once again.

As another deadline looms, he is threatening a shutdown. The House has voted to provide \$5 billion for the project, but the Senate has agreed to just \$1.6 billion.

With control of both houses, a united GOP could have given Trump what he wants by now. But too many Republicans have been unwilling — including Rep. Will Hurd, who represents a Texas district that includes 800 miles of the border, opposes the wall and just got re-elected despite a Democratic wave.

Trump promised to zero out funding for Planned Parenthood. Opposition to abortion rights is virtually mandatory for Republicans, and

Planned Parenthood provides the procedure in its clinics (though not with federal money). But the Senate has declined to go along, thanks to Republicans Lisa Murkowski of Alaska and Susan Collins of Maine.

Anti-abortion groups are fuming. "They had two years to defund Planned Parenthood, and they failed," Kristan Hawkins, president of Students for Life of America, complained to Politico. "We worked so hard to elect supposedly these pro-life Republican officials, and we expected results."

Even on some matters that should be relatively easy, Trump has fallen short. GOP defections sank two of his judicial nominees. The latest was Thomas Farr, whose record on racial issues alienated Jeff Flake of Arizona and Tim Scott of South Carolina, the only black Republican in the Senate.

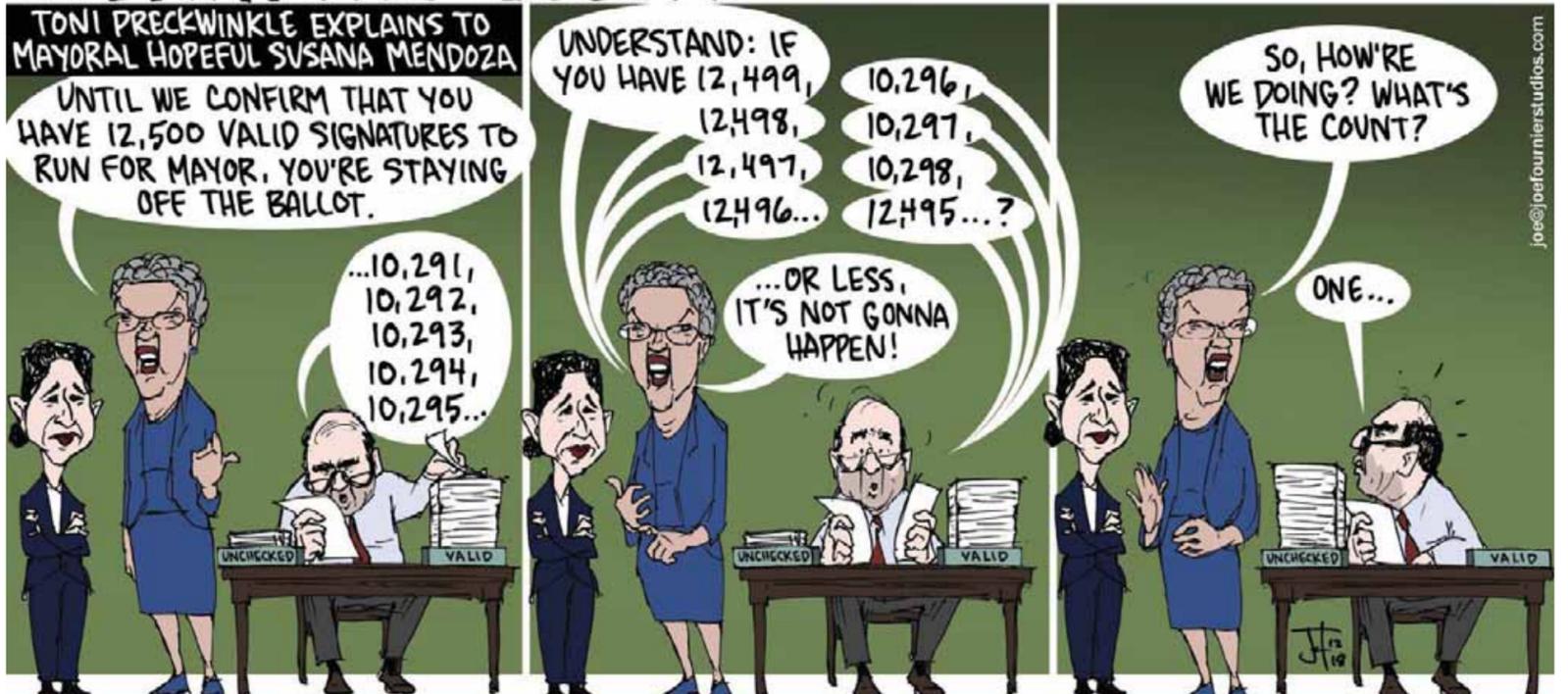
The framers of the Constitution meant for Congress to challenge and check the president, not to serve his whims. It's finally dawning on some Republicans that there is no point in having that power if they are not going to use it.

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Barack Obama speaks at a rally for Georgia Democratic governor candidate Stacey Abrams in Atlanta last month.

OBAMA AND THE PERPETUAL PRESIDENCY



VICTOR DAVIS HANSON

Former President Barack Obama recently continued his series of public broadsides against his successor, President Donald Trump.

Obama's charges are paradoxical. On one hand, Obama seems to believe that he, rather than Trump, should be credited with the current economic boom and the emergence of the United States as the world's largest energy producer. But Obama also has charged that Trump's policies are pernicious and failing.

Apparently, Obama believes that all of Trump's successes are due to Obama, and all of Trump's setbacks are his own.

Obama certainly forgets the old rule: Presidents, fairly or not, get both credit and blame for everything that happens on their watch, from day one to the last hour of their tenures — even when wars abroad, technological breakthroughs, natural disasters and market collapses have nothing to do with their governance.

Trump ran on the promise of a "Make America Great Again" economic renaissance. He pledged massive deregulation, fair rather than free trade, and tax reform and reduction.

Trump jawboned against outsourcing and offshoring, and praised rather than lectured private enterprise. He sought to reindustrialize the Midwest and promised to open new federal land to fossil fuel production, complete proposed pipelines, and lift burdensome restrictions on fracking and horizontal drilling.

In contrast, Obama had argued that the U.S. could never drill itself out of oil shortages. He advocated making the use of coal so expensive that it would disap-

pear as an American energy resource. Renewable energy sources such as wind and solar were Obama's vision of an American energy future.

As late as last year, Larry Summers, director of the National Economic Council for two years during the Obama administration, ridiculed Trump's boasts that he could achieve annualized GDP growth of 3 percent as the stuff of "tooth fairies and ludicrous supply-side economics."

Summers had also predicted that the U.S. economy would be in recession by now. Instead, it is likely to match or exceed Trump's promise of 3 percent growth over a 12-month period.

After Trump's victory, economist and Obama supporter Paul Krugman predicted that the stock market would crash and might "never" recover. "We are very probably looking at a global recession, with no end in sight," Krugman wrote in November 2016.

In fact, the Dow Jones Industrial Average has climbed about 7,000 points since Trump was elected. Unemployment has hit near-record lows, wage gains are up and the economy is growing.

Still, after 22 months, no one knows what the final verdict will be on the Trump administration. So it seems wise to wait until Trump's four-year term is over before weighing in on his legacy or lack of one.

By the same token, the frenetic Obama should take a deep breath, stop arguing the past and allow history to adjudicate his own eight-year economic and foreign-policy record.

Given that Obama was a strong progressive while Trump surprisingly has proven to be a hard-right conservative, their presidencies offer a sort of laboratory of contrasting worldviews.

History will decide whether a more managed or more deregulated economy works best. We will learn whether a focus on traditional energy sources is preferable to an emphasis on subsidized green energy.

In recent times, Republican ex-presidents — Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush — left the limelight upon the end of their tenures. They kept silent about their successors, and they allowed history to be the judge of their relative successes or failures. Reagan and the younger Bush often were ensconced on their ranches in out-of-the-way places. Obama would do well to buy a ranch too.

In contrast, progressive ex-presidents such as Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and Obama saw the presidency as a sort of never-ending story. Politics were a 24/7, 360-degree, all-encompassing experience. All envisioned their retirements as opportunities to relitigate their administrations and to politic the present in hopes that future kindred presidencies would be progressive and would continue their own agendas.

Carter frequently warned that the Reagan defense buildup and tough stance toward the Soviet Union were dangerous and would lead to an existential confrontation.

Clinton became a fierce critic of the Iraq War as his wife, Hillary, prepared to enter the 2008 presidential race as an anti-Bush candidate. Obama still seeks to convince the country that Trump is "unfit" to be president.

After the recent passing of George H.W. Bush, there are now four living ex-presidents: Carter, Clinton, George W. Bush and Obama. There are five living former vice presidents: Walter Mondale, Dan Quayle, Al Gore, Dick Cheney and Joe Biden.

If all ex-presidents and ex-vice presidents were to weigh in nonstop on the current president and present-day politics, the result would be as chaotic as it would be boring.

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Now you like him

Isn't it wonderful how the news media have been praising George H.W. Bush now that he has died?

If I recall this same media were quite critical of him during his presidency and unsuccessful campaign in 1992. In fact, some of the critiques during the '92 campaign were vitriolic. So, what has changed?

We would like to believe that the media have come to realize that he was a pretty good president and a very decent man.

On the other hand, could it be that by stressing his decency they are yet again able to attack President Donald Trump? Maybe I'm a bit cynical, but I tend to think the latter explanation is more likely.

— Dan Schuchardt, Glen Ellyn

A moving tribute

Scott Stantis' poignant editorial cartoon has moved me to tears. After 94 years on this Earth and serving his country, George H.W. Bush has been called back home to the heavens above, where Barbara and Robin are patiently waiting. As good as it gets.

— JoAnn Lee Frank, Clearwater, Fla.

What a difference

I tend to be a Democrat and I never once voted for George H.W. Bush, but I admire the guy for what he did when he was young. Soon after he turned 18, Bush joined the Navy and asked to be a combat pilot. This was early in World War II, and military service was thought of as the solemn duty for every young American male.

Bush was from a wealthy, politically powerful family. Despite wartime patriotism, many young guys from his class managed to sidestep their military duty or at least wrangle a cushy assignment. Not Bush. He flew 58 combat missions, was shot down over the Pacific and won the Distinguished Flying Cross. Contrast his youth with that of our current president, Donald Trump, who was a draft dodger during the Vietnam War and never served a day in the military.

— R. Conrad Stein, Chicago

Reclaim the GOP

As I sat in front of the TV and listened to George H.W. Bush's legacy, I became increasingly depressed about what has happened to the Republican Party. For some reason, we have turned over leadership of our party to an immoral teenager who can't open his mouth without lying. I call on my fellow Republicans to take back our party. Please, let's find a statesman like G.H.W. Bush to lead us.

— Charles Dill, Sleepy Hollow

Juneau better than that

Your front page headline about the earthquake in Anchorage, Alaska, states that Anchorage is the state capital. Juneau, which is located in southeastern Alaska, has been the capital since statehood in January 1959.

Whoever does proofreading needs to learn the state capitals before going to press.

— Marlene Steiner, Ketchikan, Alaska

Aim higher with MAP

Regarding Dawn Rhodes' report, "College financial aid in Illinois expands" (Dec. 4): We desperately need to expand college financial aid in Illinois, but we should not celebrate the Aim High grant program. The long-standing Monetary Award Program (MAP) remains badly underfunded. Last school year, nearly 100,000 eligible students did not receive a MAP grant because state funding ran out. Furthermore, a full MAP grant has not covered tuition and fees at a public university or community college for a student since 2002.

Illinois made a commitment to low-income students that we must keep. Instead of creating new merit-based financial aid programs, we must first fully fund MAP.

— Jessie Gotsdiner, Policy Associate, Women Employed, Chicago

Traucherous cycling

Wednesday's commute may have been clear for the majority of people with no snow on the road, but as a bicyclist mine wasn't. Eight days after the storm there are still piles of snow blocking the bike path I use in Warrenville, Naperville and Aurora, at intersections to almost every parking lot and road. Literally every 50 yards, the plows pile up obstructions in the pedestrian way. This problem is regionwide, and it is time for it to stop. Major corporations and state facilities are the main offenders on my daily commute. It is time for the plows to stop this practice and respect the pedestrian way.

— Kenneth Corrigan, Chicago

Heroin, fentanyl and the need for more opioid prescriptions, not fewer

BY MEGYN MCARDLE

For the second time in three years, U.S. life expectancy has declined. The last time that happened, World War I was raging in Europe and a virulent flu pandemic was ravaging the homefront.

This time around, the diseases stalking us are internal. The number of people who took their own lives increased by more than 2,000 in 2017, while drug-overdose deaths rose by 10 percent, to more than 70,000.

Suicide and substance abuse are commonly called "deaths of despair," because that's where people turn when their pain is brighter than their hope.

And since the epicenters of the opioid epidemic tend to be found in declining rural areas and decaying Rust Belt towns, it's tempting to blame economic despair in particular.

Poverty and unemployment do make people more prone to substance abuse, as does the community breakdown that follows economic collapse. But what's happening in those communities right now is less sociological than technological, less psychology than chemistry. Americans get addicted to drugs for a lot of reasons, but they are dying so rapidly because of one: a drug called fentanyl.

If drugs were comic book villains, fentanyl would be the pitiless 20-story-tall super-robot towering over lesser henchmen such as heroin or oxycodone. Those older drugs are ultimately based on natural compounds found in opium poppies; fentanyl is entirely synthetic, made from precursor chemicals. This means it's comparatively cheap to make — no worries about poppy blight or drug-enforcement agents destroy-

ing the crop you've spent months tending.

More importantly, fentanyl binds more effectively to neurological receptors than the naturally derived drugs, meaning that a tiny amount is incredibly powerful — up to 50 times more potent than heroin. It's thus easier to conceal, because a kilo of pure fentanyl can be split into many more doses than a kilo of pure heroin. And because synthetic opioids can vary slightly in their chemical makeup, fentanyl is also harder for Customs to detect. Cheap, convenient fentanyl, much of it sourced from China, has flooded the United States over the past few years, crowding out weaker opioids.

The very qualities that make fentanyl an attractive heroin substitute for drug dealers make it a fatal one for addicts. Because fentanyl is so powerful, even small mistakes in cutting the active ingredient into usable doses can easily produce a fatal overdose. That's why the number of deaths keeps rising, even though the number of people becoming addicted is starting to decline.

We'll probably never conquer opioid addiction entirely, but we could do something about the fentanyl crisis. Warning: You probably won't like it.

Drug policy involves an uncomfortable trade-off: The easier you make it to continue a drug habit, the more addicts you will have. That's why the law forbids doctors from prescribing most opiates simply to maintain addictions. And why policies such as needle exchange, supervised injection and methadone maintenance have always been controversial. Most people don't want addiction made safer or easier; they want it stopped, cold.

Understandably so. Opioids hijack addicts' brain chemistry, directing their will

toward one thing: the next fix. Every time someone is liberated from that pharmaceutical slavery, a great moral victory is won.

But you don't free slaves by killing them, and as long as fentanyl suffices the illicit drug markets, that's what a "tough love" policy amounts to. The drug naloxone can counter the effects of an opioid overdose, but death tolls have continued to rise even as public-health workers have made naloxone much more widely available. What about detox? About half of addicts who go through treatment are using again within six months, according to Sally Satel, a drug policy expert at the American Enterprise Institute.

That leaves two options: Keep doing what we're doing and let addicts keep dying as they're dying, until the opioid epidemic burns itself out. Or start talking about ways to make safe, reliable doses of opiates available to addicts who aren't ready to stop. That would mean opening more methadone clinics and making it less onerous for doctors to prescribe buprenorphine, a relatively mild opioid that's difficult to overdose on. But lowering the death toll may well require a more drastic step: legalizing prescriptions of stronger opiates.

Prescription heroin? Remember, I said you might not like the solution. I don't like it either — and frankly, neither do the drug policy researchers who told me it may be necessary. But when fentanyl took over the U.S. illicit drug markets, it also took a lot of addicts as hostages. We'll never be able to rescue them unless we can first keep them alive long enough to be saved.

The Washington Post

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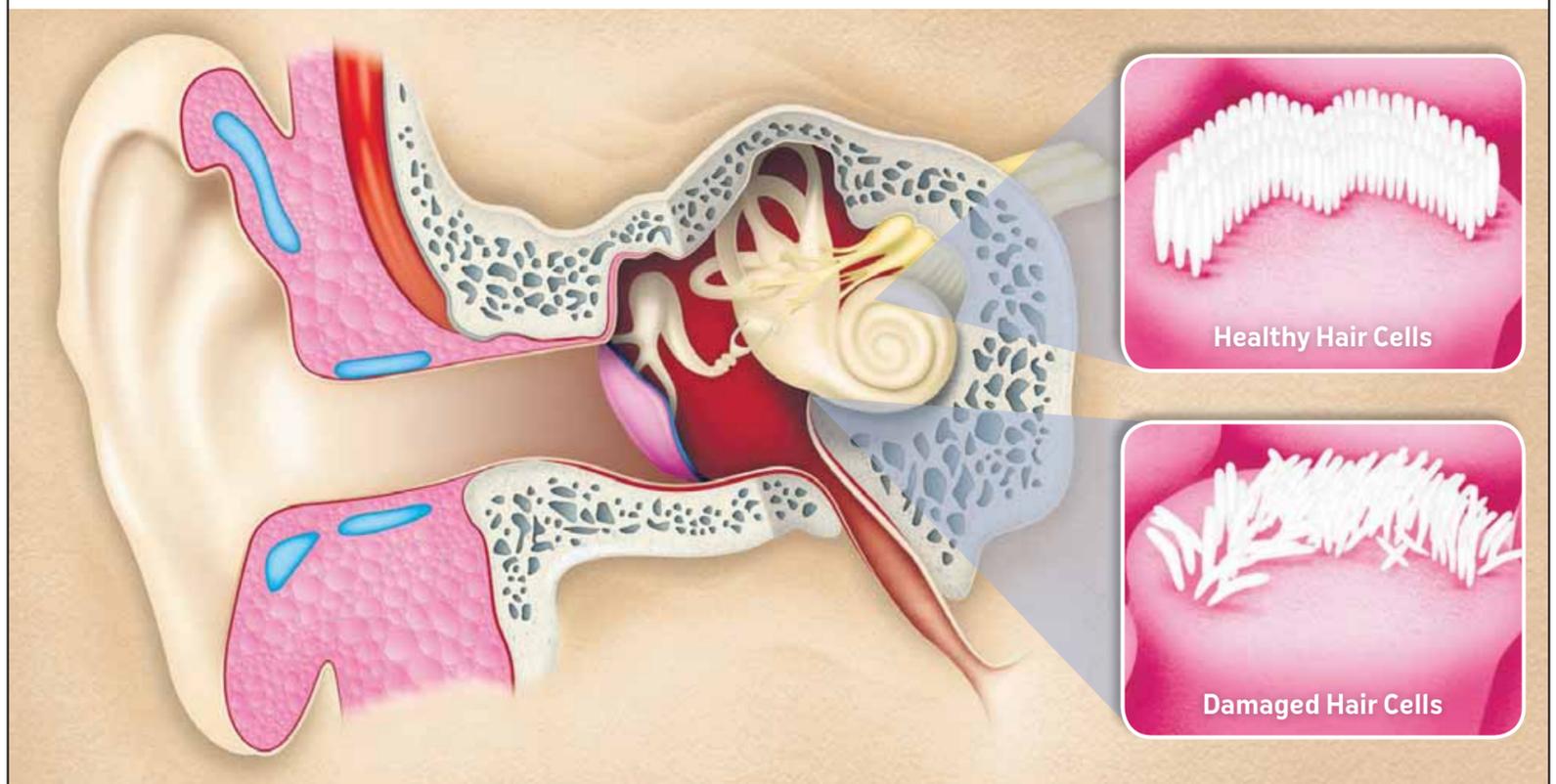
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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

State sues over fake food fests

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**
Chicago Tribune

A California woman who allegedly duped consumers online with a string of fake food festivals and other events in the Chicago area is being sued by the Illinois attorney general's office.

Kristen Yvette Martin, of Oakland, promoted fake taco, bacon and crab fests on social media, selling hundreds of tickets for those and other nonevents over the past two years, scamming customers out of more than \$30,000, according to the lawsuit, filed Wednesday in Cook County Circuit Court.

Some of the events were advertised to take place in seemingly random places, such as downtown office buildings or restaurants, and in some cases, no address was given at all, according to the lawsuit. None of the scheduled events ever took place, the lawsuit alleges.

"Scammers' outrageous ideas never cease to amaze me," Attorney General Lisa Madigan said in a news release. "I

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Chris Liebelt, general manager of Bobtail, fills pints of ice cream on Wednesday.

Back to start for Bobtail Ice Cream, founder

By **ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ**
Chicago Tribune

Chicago-based Bobtail Ice Cream Co. will be acquired by the family operation in Ohio that inspired its creation.

Bobtail, founded by a group of University of Chicago business school alumni, has agreed to be purchased by Columbus, Ohio-based Johnson's Real Ice Cream, effective in the new year. The companies declined to disclose the price.

Bobtail's original ice cream parlor on Broadway in Chicago's Lakeview neighborhood will close temporarily Jan. 1 for a refreshed design, including the transition of the signage and logo to Johnson's Real Ice Cream. The variety of flavors will be pared down, but many — including Mighty Mint and Chip, and Coffee and the Cool Beans — will remain the same.

Johnson's acquisition of Bobtail keeps the brand in the family.

Johnson's Real Ice Cream, a fourth-generation family brand, was founded in 1950 by Bobtail co-founder Jeff Wilcoxon's grandfather, who sold ice cream from a truck door to door to his neighbors in Bexley, Ohio.

Inspired by his family's business and its recipes, Wilcoxon launched Bobtail in 2004 with Booth School of Business classmate Chris Hill and alumnus John Rutledge, an investor with Oxford Capital Group, after he and Hill participated in a business plan competition at the school.

Hill, CEO of Bobtail, said he "could not be happier to have Johnson's step into our place in the Chicago market."

"It is great knowing that the consistently profitable and successful business we started out of business school is now part of a growing family brand," he said in a statement. Hill will not be continuing with Bobtail, Johnson's spokeswoman Sheila Hunt Rossiter said.

"All the (Bobtail) partners are involved in other endeavors and found this a good time and opportunity to sell to Johnson's," she said.

In addition to co-owning Bobtail, Jeff Wilcoxon has been co-owner and chief financial officer at Johnson's Real Ice Cream for nearly three years and will continue in that role. His brother, Matt Wilcoxon, is chief executive.

The acquisition allows Johnson's to expand distribution in Chicago and marks its first retail venture outside of Columbus.

Johnson's already manufactures most of Bobtail's ice cream, and the supplemental in-house manufacturing Bobtail does will cease to ensure consistency of the product, Hunt Rossiter said.

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Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos might have underestimated regulatory obstacles and privacy concerns when he told CBS' "60 Minutes" in 2013 that his company would be making drone-borne deliveries within five years.

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WHERE ARE THE DRONES?

AMAZON'S CUSTOMERS ARE STILL WAITING



By **DAVID KOENIG AND JOSEPH PISANI** | Associated Press

Jeff Bezos boldly predicted five years ago that drones would be carrying Amazon packages to people's doorsteps by now.

Amazon customers are still waiting. And it's unclear when, if ever, this particular order by the company's founder and CEO will arrive.

Bezos made billions of dollars by transforming the retail sector. But overcoming the regulatory hurdles and safety issues posed by drones appears to be a challenge even for the world's wealthiest man. The result is a blown deadline on his claim to CBS' "60 Minutes" in December 2013 that drones would be making deliveries within five years.

The day may not be far off when drones will carry medicine to people in rural or remote areas, but the marketing hype around instant delivery of consumer goods looks more and more like just that — hype. Drones have a short battery life, and privacy concerns can be a hindrance, too.

"I don't think you will see delivery of burritos or diapers in the suburbs," says drone analyst Colin Snow.

Drone usage has grown rapidly in some industries, but mostly outside the retail sector and direct interaction with consumers.

The government estimates that about 110,000 commercial drones are operating in U.S. airspace, and the number is expected to soar to about 450,000 in 2022. They are being used in rural areas for mining and agriculture, for inspecting power lines and pipe-

lines, and for surveying.

Amazon says it is still pushing ahead with plans to use drones for quick deliveries, though the company is staying away from fixed timelines.

"We are committed to making our goal of delivering packages by drones in 30 minutes or less a reality," says Amazon spokeswoman Kristen Kish. The Seattle-based online retail giant says it has drone development centers in the United States, Austria, France, Israel and the United Kingdom.

Delivery companies have been testing the use of drones to deliver emergency supplies and to cover ground quickly in less populated areas. By contrast, package deliveries would be concentrated in office parks and neighborhoods where there are bigger issues

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Weaker forecast heightens doubts

If holiday sales aren't a success, some wonder if Sears can stop liquidation

By **JOSH SAUL**
Bloomberg News

Revised internal forecasts show that Sears Holdings Corp. will bleed hundreds of millions of dollars more than it expected over the coming weeks, casting new doubt on whether the bankrupt retailer can avoid liquidation.

When the company declared bankruptcy Oct. 15, it filed a budget with revenue forecasts of \$241 million for the week of Christmas and \$1.93 billion for the two months ending Jan. 12. But an updated budget filed Friday shows only \$215 million the week of Christmas and \$1.69 billion for the entire two months, almost \$246 million less than originally projected.

Sears also now expects negative operating cash flow in the weeks leading up to Christmas and net cash flow before financing of minus \$434 million for the 13 weeks through Feb. 16. The revised figures were included in documents filed late last week with the federal bankruptcy court handling the case. A Sears representative declined to comment.

"There's no place in the world for a retailer who can't produce cash flow during Christmas," said Noel Hebert, a credit analyst who covers Sears for Bloomberg Intelligence. "It's very difficult to envision a scenario where liquidation isn't the end game."

Cyrus Capital Partners and a hedge fund run by Sears Chairman Eddie Lampert are preparing a potential joint takeover bid designed to keep the bankrupt chain in business, Bloomberg previously reported. The company has struggled to line up loans to keep its stores open during the bankruptcy process and mollify its suppliers, some of whom are skeptical that Sears will survive and are demanding their goods be returned.

Sears said late last month that it would need more financing beyond those initial bankruptcy loans while it conducts a sale of 505 stores that would continue in business. The new budget included an "assumed loan that bridges the company's net availability needs through the close of going-concern sale" totaling \$239 million.

The earlier budget was crafted when Sears intended to keep about 400 stores open, while the more recent budget comes as the company plans a going-concern sale of over 500 stores, according to court filings. The change may have affected the revenue forecasts, as fewer store closings would mean fewer liquidation sales.

The revised budget is "a clear indicator that sales are worse than they were six weeks ago," said Burt Flickinger, managing director of Strategic Resource Group, a retail-advisory firm. "They're not selling hard goods, they're not selling soft goods, and they're not selling consumables. They're in a free-fall."

Video company says it's safer than ever after dupe

By **TRACY SWARTZ**
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago-based service Cameo — which allows people to pay for personalized video greetings from athletes, celebrities and social media influencers — has been having a banner year.

The two-year-old company recently raised \$12.5 million in a funding round led by Silicon Valley firm Lightspeed Venture Partners. Cameo made Time magazine's 2018 Genius Companies list in October. The platform was also honored that month at the Chicago Innovation Awards.

Then last week, it was reported that an account associated with an anti-Jewish group had tricked former NFL quarterback Brett Favre, comedian Andy Dick and rapper Soulja Boy into making Cameo videos using coded anti-Semitic language. Cameo CEO and co-founder Steven Galanis told the Tribune that the message Favre made was uploaded to YouTube and labeled "Brett Favre calls out the Jews." Galanis called the videos a "wake-up call for us."

"If you actually listen to the video, the video itself was very benign or it seemed to be very benign. It seemed to have been

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MARKETS WERE CLOSED WEDNESDAY IN THE U.S. TO HONOR THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT GEORGE H.W. BUSH.

China promises swift action on trade

Mystery surrounds Trump-Xi pact's details, goals

By ROBYN DIXON
Los Angeles Times

BEIJING — The few words offered by China's Ministry of Commerce on Wednesday about a deal between President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping to temporarily suspend tariff hikes expressed confidence but provided little clarity on just what the two leaders agreed to at a weekend meeting.

"It was a very successful meeting, and we are very confident in the implementation," a Ministry of Commerce spokesman said in comments posted on the agency's website. But the comments offered few hints on what was agreed upon or what would be implemented.

Markets had fallen sharply Tuesday over questions about the two sides'



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President Xi and President Trump agreed to delay tariffs and re-start trade talks. Now the heavy lifting begins.

differing versions of the agreement and after Trump went on Twitter to label himself "a Tariff Man." Markets were closed Wednesday in the U.S. to honor the death of President George H.W. Bush.

In an early-morning series of tweets Wednesday, Trump insisted his Saturday meeting with Xi was

a success: "Very strong signals being sent by China once they returned home from their long trip, including stops, from Argentina. Not to sound naive or anything, but I believe President Xi meant every word of what he said at our long and hopefully historic meeting. ALL subjects discussed!"

As the leaders met on the sidelines of the G-20 summit, the sides agreed to suspend planned tariff hikes for 90 days to allow negotiation of a substantive trade agreement.

The White House announced that China agreed to reduce and remove 40 percent tariffs on American autos and to immediately increase imports of agricultural and other products.

All eyes looked to Beijing to confirm the White House account, but the Chinese government has so far been silent on the details. One possible reason for the lack of detail is that Xi has been overseas.

The Ministry of Commerce spokesman said Wednesday that there had been consensus between Trump and Xi on certain issues and that China would move ahead, "the sooner the better," but did not elaborate.

A spokesman for China's Foreign Ministry also expressed hopes of a deal to

end the trade war.

"We hope the two working teams from both sides can, based on the consensus reached between the two countries' leaders, strengthen consultations and reach a mutually beneficial agreement soon," spokesman Geng Shuang said.

Attention is now focused on a regular news briefing of the Ministry of Commerce on Thursday, in the hope of more information on what actions China may take.

If the trade cease-fire doesn't produce an agreement, the tariff hikes would go ahead and the chances of the world's two largest economies reaching consensus could be dashed for months.

Some reports emerged Wednesday suggesting that China may be ready to move ahead with some concessions. The Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post reported that Chinese officials were preparing to resume imports of Ameri-

can soybeans and liquefied petroleum gas, citing unnamed officials.

Such measures might be seen as good-faith gestures as negotiations unfold, but would not meet Washington's demands for broad changes to China's industrial policy, in particular its state support for key high-tech industrial firms, forced transfers of technology by American companies doing business in China, and tolerance or tacit encouragement of intellectual property theft.

The bruising trade war has seen tit-for-tat tariffs ramped up, first by the Trump administration and then by China. In a year of canceled meetings, chilly dialogue and recriminations, hopes for a breakthrough were pinned on the face-to-face meeting between Xi and Trump. But the big challenge will come in the months ahead, depending on whether China offers enough concessions to reach a deal.



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Stagnant wages have held down the cost of items in "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

12 days of gifts a mere \$39,000 this year

By CAROLYNN LOOK
Bloomberg News

Holiday lovebirds might get a better deal on partridges, gold rings and maids-a-milking this year than Americans who don't base their gift lists on carols.

The cost of buying all goods and services in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" has gone up by roughly half the pace of overall U.S. inflation, according to a Christmas price index compiled by PNC Financial Services Group.

While replicating the song isn't cheap — the total cost would be more than \$39,000 — that's only 1.2 percent higher than last year. Inflation is about 2.5

percent so far in 2018. PNC says the lower inflation rate can be explained in part by falling gold prices.

The cost of many types of birds listed in the song have remained stagnant, with the exception of egg-laying geese, whose prices shot up.

A static federal minimum wage means nine ladies dancing will receive the same compensation as they did last year. The same goes for eight maids-a-milking, though PNC doesn't factor the cost of dairy cows into its analysis, and only a tiny fraction of the U.S. population would have those readily available.

The presumably more skill-based work of lords-a-leaping, pipers piping and

drummers drumming is seeing a bump in pay, however, as the labor market tightens.

Here are the 12 items listed in the song, with their latest cost:

- 1 partridge in a pear tree: \$220.13
- 2 turtle doves: \$375
- 3 French hens: \$181.50
- 4 calling birds: \$599.96
- 5 golden rings: \$750
- 6 geese-a-laying: \$390
- 7 swans-a-swimming: \$13,125
- 8 maids-a-milking: \$58
- 9 ladies dancing: 7,552.84
- 10 lords-a-leaping: \$10,000
- 11 pipers piping: \$2,804.40
- 12 drummers drumming: \$3,038.10

Calif. woman allegedly sells fake Chicago fests

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filed my lawsuit to put an end to the promotion of these fake events and prevent Illinoisans from losing their money."

Martin could not be reached Wednesday for comment.

Operating under a variety of aliases and assumed business names, including Expo Network and Fanoomies, Martin advertised the events on Facebook and other social media sites, with ticket sales running through a variety of online platforms including Chicago-based Groupon, Active Network and Shopify, according to the lawsuit.

Taco Fest, which was scheduled for June 9 in Chicago, was one of the more recent of the fake events in Illinois. Consumers who paid between \$25 and \$80 per ticket received email confirmations — and charges on their credit cards — but became suspicious when no location for the event was provided, the lawsuit says.

Some consumers received credits, while others were unable to get a refund, according to the lawsuit.

Nicole Rauer, 40, an ad agency art director who lives in Chicago's West Loop neighborhood, bought two tickets to Taco Fest for herself and her husband after seeing the

event on Facebook, she said in an interview. She paid with a credit card and was told the tickets would arrive by mail. They didn't, and she began to get suspicious.

"I love tacos. That was my first weakness," said Rauer, whose testimony was included in the lawsuit.

The Taco Fest promoted all-you-can-eat tacos, a margarita-making competition and other events.

Rauer said she was "distracted" by the Facebook page and the appealing idea of the summer festival, blinding her to the lack of details, such as the location, which was listed simply as Randolph Street, with no specific address.

After trying unsuccessfully to reach the promoter, she contacted her credit card company, which issued a refund for the tickets.

"It looked like a super fun festival," she said. "I got duped."

Another alleged fake event was Crab Fest, which was supposed to take place at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake on Aug. 19, 2017. About 200 people bought tickets to the event, paying between \$39 and \$99 per ticket, the lawsuit says.

Martin paid a deposit fee but never followed through with the permitting process, and the event was canceled by the fairgrounds, the lawsuit says.

The event morphed online into the "World Famous Crab N' Beer Fest" to be held in downtown Chicago, but neither event took place, according to the lawsuit.

Other fake festivals included a "Hot Garlic Crab Feed," allegedly advertised as being held in January 2017 at 1 S. Dearborn St., a downtown Chicago office building that also houses a Rosebud restaurant. The "Chicago Bacon and Beer Fest" was promoted for the following January at 980 N. Michigan Ave., an office building that also houses the Spiaggia restaurant.

Neither event took place, the lawsuit alleges.

Most recently, a "Skull Run" was advertised as taking place in downtown Chicago on Oct. 7 — the same day as the Chicago Marathon. Dozens of consumers paid \$50 each to participate in the fake run, the lawsuit says.

Martin has promoted similar fake events across the country since 2013, according to the lawsuit.

The lawsuit seeks to prevent Martin from promoting such future fictitious events in Illinois and to impose a penalty of \$50,000 for each deceptive act and an additional \$50,000 for each act committed with the intent to defraud.

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'Wake-up call' after anti-Semitic messages

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in reference to some veteran group, when in actuality, it was coded language that the alt-right was using to kind of rally troops," said Galanis, a 30-year-old Glenview native. "It had gone viral on 4chan and some of the hate websites, and that's when we became aware of it."

Galanis said his team — which is headquartered in the West Loop — determined who booked the Favre video, banned that user and contacted YouTube and Instagram to request the video be taken off their sites. The Cameo team created a system over the weekend to monitor incoming orders and flag requests that may contain hate speech, symbols and/or groups, Galanis said.

The company is also working on features to help its roster of talent better understand the orders they receive and determine if the instructions contain language that would violate the platform's terms of service, which prohibits users from posting, sharing or requesting anything that is illegal, abusive, profane

or hateful. Since its inception, Cameo has allowed its talent to decide for themselves which fan requests to complete. Cameo takes 25 percent of the booking fee, which varies among celebrities.

Favre pledged Saturday to donate \$500 — the price he charges to make a Cameo message — to charity.

"On November 22, I received a request to record a shout-out supporting what appeared to be a U.S. veterans organization for Cameo, a company that enables consumers to book personalized video greetings from celebrities," Favre wrote on Facebook. "I had previously fulfilled more than 50 of these requests without incident. Since I match service dogs with military veterans who have PTSD, I assumed that the request stemmed from my interest in veterans affairs and recorded the message."

Galanis, who met Favre while he was in Milwaukee for a weekend reunion of the 1996 Green Bay Packers team, said Favre's donation will go to the Southern Poverty Law Center, an organization that monitors hate groups, and Cameo



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Cameo CEO Steven Galanis said his West Loop team determined who booked the video and banned them.

will match the donation.

Meanwhile, Souja Boy apologized for his video and said he didn't know it had a negative meaning. A representative for Dick, who attended high school in Joliet, said the comedian "feels used and manipulated by people who presented themselves as his fans but obviously wildly missed his intent." Galanis said none of the hundreds of boldface names who use the platform have indicated they are leaving because of the incidents.

"One of the things that we've told our talent is, 'Look, we've done 93,000 of these videos, and this is

literally the first time we've ever had to pull any.' I think just with anything, there's bad actors. There was a point where somebody sent the first mean tweet on Twitter, somebody (posted) the first objectionable piece of content on YouTube or Facebook," Galanis told the Tribune.

"I think to some degree, bad actors are inevitable, but we just wanted to make it really clear to our talent that we built in new protections for them and Cameo today is safer than it's ever been."

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Amazon customers still waiting for the drones

Amazon, from Page 1

around safety and privacy.

In May, the Trump administration approved a three-year program for private companies and local government agencies to test drones for deliveries, inspections and other tasks.

But pilot programs by major delivery companies suggest few Americans will be greeted by package-bearing drones any time soon. United Parcel Service tested launching a drone from a delivery truck that was covering a rural route in Florida. DHL Express, the German delivery company, tested the use of drones to deliver medicine from Tanzania to an island in Lake Victoria.

Frank Appel, the CEO of DHL's parent company, Deutsche Post AG, said "over the next couple of years" drones will remain a niche vehicle and not widely used. He said a big obstacle is battery life.

"If you have to recharge them every other hour, then you need so many drones and you have to orchestrate that. So good luck with that," he told The Associated Press.

Appel said human couriers have another big advan-

tage over drones: They know where customers live and which doorbell to ring. "To program that in IT is not that easy and not cheap," he said.

Analysts say it will take years for the Federal Aviation Administration to write all the rules to allow widespread drone deliveries.

Snow, the CEO of Skylogic Research, says a rule permitting operators to fly drones beyond their line of sight — so critical to deliveries — is at least 10 years away. A method will be needed to let law enforcement identify drones flying over people — federal officials are worried about their use by terrorists.

While the rules are being written, companies will rely on waivers from the FAA to keep experimenting and running small-scale pilot programs.

"People like DHL and the rest of them (will say), 'Hey, we can deliver via drone this parcel package to this island,' but that's not the original vision that Amazon presented," Snow says.

There is a long list of FAA rules governing drone flights. For the delivery business, the biggest holdup is that the machines must remain within sight of the operator at all times.

Alliance Steel moving from Illinois to Gary

BY GREGORY TEJEDA
Post-Tribune

An Illinois steel distributor says it fully intends to commit to a long-term life in Gary, saying it believes it will benefit financially from the move — while also providing economic benefits to the city it wishes to call its new home.

“It is costly to make a business like ours, we can’t just pick up our foundation and relocate,” said Andy Gross, president and CEO of Alliance Steel LLC — which already has notified

its employees of its intent to relocate from Bedford Park, Ill., to a site in Gary.

The site, at 2700 E. 5th Ave., was once a Republic Steel plant, and Gross said his company is planning to spend just under \$20 million to revamp it for long-term use by Alliance Steel.

“We bought that building; we intend to remain there for the long haul,” Gross said.

Officials say they are hoping to relocate their operations by the end of 2019. To encourage that, the Gary Redevelopment Commission has put together a pack-

age of tax incentives that will provide the company with significant savings of about \$1.2 million for the first five years of their operations in Gary. The Common Council on Tuesday voted 8-0 to approve a declaratory resolution supporting the deal. This month, the council expects to approve another resolution that will detail specifics of the tax abatement package.

Redevelopment Executive Director Joseph Van Dyk said the company will bring a significant number of jobs from their location

near Chicago’s Midway Airport to Gary, which makes the tax abatement package worthwhile.

Gross said the company has about 100 employees, and would expand its personnel by about another 30 people at a Gary-based plant. Of the new jobs, Gross said some of the laborer positions would pay salaries in the area of \$15 per hour, with some higher-skilled spots paying as much as \$31 per hour.

But he also questions how many of the current 100 or so employees would

want to make a move to Gary. “We have employees as far away as Wheaton and Joliet, some of them may decide they don’t want to make the commute.

“We would expect to have to hire many new people once we make the move to Gary,” Gross said, adding his company already has hired Lee Co., a consultant to help them in making connections with Gary-area businesses that would be able to help them in adjusting to a new location.

Councilwoman Mary Brown, D-3rd, said she was

pleased to see a firm willing to come to Gary, and not just because they would be bringing jobs to the city. “It’s nice to see someone else showing some faith in our home,” she said.

Council President Ronald Brewer said he sees such activity as a plus for Gary’s future. “Now, if we can only put together a housing plan so we could get many of those outside workers to move to Gary, that would be great.”

Gregory Tejeda is a freelance reporter for the Post-Tribune.



Ding Xiaohua, of the Electric Vehicle Public Data Collecting, Monitoring and Research Center, speaks near a data screen.

Vehicles in China share information

Critics denounce sharing data with government

BY ERIKA KINETZ
Associated Press

SHANGHAI — Global automakers are feeding real-time location information and dozens of other data points from electric vehicles to Chinese government monitoring centers, potentially adding to China’s rich kit of surveillance tools as President Xi Jinping steps up the use of technology to track Chinese citizens. Generally, it happens without car owners’ knowledge, The Associated Press found.

More than 200 automakers selling electric vehicles in China — including Tesla, Volkswagen, BMW, Daimler, Ford, General Motors, Nissan, Mitsubishi and U.S.-listed start-up NIO — send at least 61 data points to government-backed monitoring platforms, under rules published in 2016.

Automakers say they are merely complying with local laws, which apply only to alternative energy vehicles. Chinese officials say the data is used for analytics to improve public safety, facilitate industrial development and infrastructure planning, and to prevent fraud in subsidy programs.

But critics say the information collected exceeds those goals and could be used to undermine foreign carmakers’ competitive position, or for surveillance. Under Xi, China has unleashed a war on dissent, marshaling big data and artificial intelligence to create a more perfect kind of policing that can quickly neutralize perceived threats to the stability of the ruling Communist Party.

There is also concern about the precedent these rules set for sharing data from next-generation connected cars, which may soon transmit even more personal information.

“You’re learning a lot about people’s day-to-day activities and that becomes

part of what I call ubiquitous surveillance,” said Michael Chertoff, who was secretary of Homeland Security under President George W. Bush and wrote a book called “Exploding Data.” “Companies have to ask themselves, ‘Is this really something we want to do in terms of our corporate values, even if it means otherwise forgoing that market?’”

At the Shanghai Electric Vehicle Public Data Collecting, Monitoring and Research Center, a wall-sized screen glows with dots. Each represents one of more than 222,000 vehicles connected to the system, coursing along Shanghai’s roads to create a massive real-time map that could reveal where people live, shop, work, and worship.

Data also flows to a national monitoring center run by the Beijing Institute of Technology, which pulls information from more than 1.1 million new energy vehicles. Those numbers are about to get much bigger, as Beijing pushes electric vehicle development as part of its “Made in China 2025” industrial development plan.

Ding Xiaohua, the deputy director of the Shanghai center, said monitoring is not designed to facilitate state surveillance, though data can be shared with police, prosecutors or courts, if a formal request is made. The center is registered as a non-profit but is tightly aligned with and funded by the government.

There is a privacy firewall built into the system. The data center has each car’s unique vehicle identification number, but to link that with the owner’s personal details, it must go through the automaker — a step it has taken in the past. Chinese law enforcement can also link the vehicle identification number with the owner’s personal information.

“To speak bluntly, the government doesn’t need to surveil through a platform like ours,” Ding said.

Many vehicles in the U.S., Europe and Japan transmit position informa-

tion back to automakers, who feed it to car-tracking apps, maps that pinpoint nearby amenities and emergency services providers. But the data stops there. Government or law enforcement agencies would generally only be able to access vehicle data in the context of a specific criminal investigation and in the U.S. would typically need a court order, lawyers said.

Automakers initially resisted sharing information with the Shanghai monitoring center; then the government made transmitting data a prerequisite for getting incentives.

“They gave you dozens of reasons why they can’t give you the data,” said a government consultant who helped evaluate the policy and spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive issues. “Then we offer the incentives. Then they want to give us the data because it’s part of their profit.”

There was concern the shared data might reveal proprietary information about, for example, how hybrids switch between gas and battery power, and eventually set automakers up for commercial competition with a Chinese government entity.

Ding said confidentiality agreements protect proprietary company information. Still, he is open about his desire to make money from the data. “We have done some explorations,” he said. “But there is still a distance from truly monetizing it.”

China’s ability to grab data as it flows from cars gives it an edge. China tends to view technology development as a key competitive resource. Though global automakers have received billions in incentives and subsidies from U.S., European and Japanese governments, they are contributing data to China that ultimately serves Beijing’s strategic interests.

Automakers stressed they share data to comply with Chinese law and obtain consent from car owners. Nearly all have announced plans to aggres-

sively expand electric vehicle offerings in China, the world’s biggest car market.

Volkswagen Group China chief executive Jochem Heizmann said he could not guarantee the data would not be used for government surveillance, but stressed that Volkswagen keeps personal data, like the driver’s identity, secure within its own systems.

“It includes the location of the car, yes, but not who is sitting in it,” he said, adding that cars won’t reveal more information than smart phones already do.

But not all electric vehicle owners feel the same.

Standing beside his white Tesla Model X, Shan Junhua said he might not have bought the car if he’d known its journeys were being recorded.

“Tesla could have it, but why do they transmit it to the government?” Shan said. “Because this is about privacy.”

Adult-content ban has some Tumblr users upset

BY JESSICA ROY
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The internet is home to a plethora of destinations offering adults-only content. But soon, Tumblr won’t be one of them.

The microblogging platform announced this week that it is banning adult content. In, naturally, a Tumblr post, Chief Executive Jeff D’Onofrio said the move was meant to promote “a better, more positive Tumblr.”

The move appears to stem from a recent dispute Tumblr had with Apple’s iOS App Store. The Tumblr app was not available as of Nov. 16, news site the Verge reported, and a post from Tumblr indicated it was related to an issue with the filter the site used to automatically remove child pornography.

“Every image uploaded to Tumblr is scanned against an industry database of known child sexual abuse material, and images that are detected never reach the platform. A routine audit discovered content on our platform that had not yet been included in the industry database,” Tumblr said in the post.

Monday’s announcement said the ban on adult content will be enforced beginning Dec. 17. But many people are already seeing their content flagged, including posts that don’t appear to run afoul of Tumblr’s new community guidelines.

In his announcement, D’Onofrio had warned this might be a problem. The company is using a digital tool, not human moderation, to assess posts.

“Filtering this type of content versus say, a political protest with nudity or the statue of David, is not simple at scale,” he wrote in the post. “We’re relying on automated tools to identify adult content and humans to help train and keep our systems in check. We know there will be mistakes, but we’ve done our best to create and enforce a policy that acknowledges the breadth of expression we see in the community.”

A Tumblr spokesperson noted in an email that if users believe their posts were incorrectly flagged, they can appeal for a human reviewer to take a look.

Users also took issue with the language in the new

community guidelines; specifically, the stipulation that “female-presenting nipples” would not be allowed. Instagram has a similar policy, which that company’s CEO said in 2015 was also a result of App Store policy.

On Twitter, people decried the move as misogynist and overly puritan.

Another concern: Tumblr has a thriving community of transgender and nonbinary users, many of whom aren’t sure at which point their nipples take on a gender identity.

Tumblr was founded in 2007 and gained prominence in the following few years as people migrated from LiveJournal, Fanfiction.net and DeviantArt.

Yahoo acquired Tumblr in 2013 for \$1.1 billion, though without a clear vision for its future or growth.

Three years later, Yahoo concluded that it had vastly overpaid. Founder David Karp left in 2017.

As with many other social media sites, users have complained that not enough has been done to limit far-right users and posts. A Kotaku article from July of this year called Tumblr’s current incarnation “a joyless black hole.”

Over the years, Tumblr has also struggled with swarms of porn bots. A Tumblr blog called Purge the Bots was created this year to raise awareness of the problem and update users on what actions the site was taking to address it. A total ban on adult content could solve the problem, though possibly at the cost of users who are on Tumblr specifically for adult content.

A 2017 Glamour article about porn on Tumblr pointed out the site’s GIF-heavy and largely artistic approach to pornography is part of its appeal to its majority-female user base. If Tumblr’s changes make the site no longer a pornography destination nor a welcoming space for young LGBTQ people, and with the general trend of young people turning to newer mobile-friendly apps like Instagram and YouTube, who’s left to even want to use Tumblr?

A decade ago, LiveJournal made a similar pronouncement banning adult content. That site summarily deleted hundreds of blogs, and users abandoned the platform in droves.

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Should I name beneficiaries for my bank accounts?

When most people think about designating who’ll inherit their financial assets when they die, preparing a will comes immediately to mind. But for deposit accounts, naming a beneficiary can more easily and cost effectively transfer your funds to a new owner.

Most banks and credit unions allow you to name one or more beneficiaries for any checking, savings, money market or certificate of deposit account. The legal term for this is “payable on death”, and you might see it referred to as POD. Beneficiaries can also be designated for U.S. savings bonds.

When you specify a beneficiary, you still retain all ownership and rights associated with that account as long as you live. But when you die, the beneficiary becomes eligible to take possession of those funds as their own.

The advantage is that POD designations prevent those funds from entering the probate process of settling your estate, which can be costly, lengthy and burdened with paperwork. Instead, beneficiary designations override any will and are easily settled, at no cost. The beneficiary simply has to provide the financial institution with proof of identity and a certified copy of your death certificate.

Naming beneficiaries can be done immediately upon opening a bank account, via the signature card. But if you neglect to do this at the outset, you can always add a POD designee later. You’re also free to remove and change beneficiaries any time you like, though a new signature card will be required with each change.

Naming beneficiaries for your deposit accounts is one way to provide a gift to those who inherit your assets, as it significantly reduces the paperwork, time and energy necessary to make the transfers. But be sure to periodically review your various designations to ensure they remain up to date with your current preferences.

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OBITUARIES

BARBARA BROOKS WALLACE 1922-2018

Author of children's book
'Peppermints in the Parlor'BY EMILY LANGER
The Washington Post

Barbara Brooks Wallace, a children's author who summoned an aura of Victorian mystique in award-winning novels including "Peppermints in the Parlor," died Nov. 27 at a hospice center in Arlington, Va. She was 95.

The cause was complications from pneumonia, said her son, Jim Wallace.

For decades, Wallace was a favorite of young readers for the enchanting mix of mystery, adventure and misadventure that she brought to her novels.

"I have a clear recollection of how I felt as a child about many things," Wallace once told an interviewer, reflecting on her capacity to slip into the skin of a youngster. "Christmas, the terror of waking alone at night, having a friend, and an understanding, I believe, of why I felt as I did."

She wrote a shelf full of books but was perhaps best known for the mystery series that began with "Peppermints in the Parlor" (1980), set in San Francisco at the turn of the 20th century.

The protagonist, Emily, is a young orphan sent to live with a rich aunt and uncle whose home, Sugar Hill Hall, has been overtaken by evil forces and turned into a Dickensian nursing home. Residents tempted by the titular peppermints are shunted off to the Remembrance Room.

Writing in the Horn Book magazine, a children's librarian, Ann A. Flowers, described "Peppermints" as "an amusing Gothic romp with a shadowy, gaslit atmosphere, moving briskly and sweeping the reader along with it." The volume, which became an audiobook recorded by actress

Angela Lansbury, received a William Allen White award bestowed by Emporia State University in Kansas for excellence in children's literature.

Wallace continued her mystery series with "The Twin in the Tavern" (1993), "Cousins in the Castle" (1996), "Sparrows in the Scullery" (1997) and "Ghosts in the Gallery" (2000). "The Twin" and "Sparrows" won Edgar Awards from the Mystery Writers of America.

An online biographical sketch of Wallace joked that she "claims never to have lived in a tavern or a castle, or owned a house with a parlor, a scullery, or a gallery," and that she "simply dwells in a nice little house in Alexandria, Virginia."

Barbara Frances Brooks — known as Bobbie — was born on Dec. 3, 1922, in Suzhou, China, where her father, a former silent-film actor, had moved to sell lamp oil with the Standard Oil Co. of New York. Her mother, who was Russian, had immigrated to China amid the Russian Revolution and became a nurse.

In China, Wallace attended the Shanghai American School and was traveling with her sister and a teacher when the Japanese invaded in 1937. "Transportation had broken down," Wallace wrote in a reminiscence published in The Washington Post in 1969. "We didn't see our parents again until, courtesy of the U.S. Navy, we steamed into Manila harbor."

Wallace continued her studies in the United States, graduating in 1945 from UCLA. After college, she lived in a boardinghouse in San Francisco that was "euphemistically called a 'guest house,'" she once told

a publication of UCLA, "a shabby white-pillared mansion" once reputedly owned by sugar traders and that inspired Sugar Hill Hall.

She married in 1954 and began writing after the birth of her son. Her first work, "Claudia" (1969), focused on a preteen navigating the obstacles of growing up. Wallace produced very nearly a book a year for the next two decades and continued writing into the 2000s.

She ventured into fantasy with books such as "The Barrel in the Basement" (1985), about basement-dwelling elves who show their loyalty to the human upstairs who believes in them, and into picture books with "Argyle" (1987), about a sheep that encounters the peril of fame when he develops a multicolored coat.

Other noted books included "The Trouble With Miss Switch" (1971), which became an animated TV program, and "The Perils of Peppermints" (2003), a sequel to her earlier volume. Wallace also penned a memoir, "Small Footsteps in the Land of the Dragon: Growing Up in China."

Her husband, Air Force Lt. Col. James Wallace Jr., died in 2005. Besides her son, survivors include two granddaughters.

Wallace said she didn't often know how a book would end until she arrived there. She would "sit up late at night writing because I couldn't wait until the next morning to find out," she once said, according to the reference guide Contemporary Authors.

"Whatever I do write, I know it will always be for children and will always have a happy ending. And that's the wonderful thing about being a writer - I get to choose!"

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON DECEMBER 6 ...

In 1921 British and Irish representatives signed a treaty in London providing for creation of an Irish Free State a year later on the same date.

In 1923 a presidential address was broadcast on radio for the first time as President Calvin Coolidge spoke to a joint session of Congress.

In 1947 Everglades National Park in Florida was dedicated by President Harry S. Truman.

In 1957 America's first attempt at putting a satellite into orbit blew up on the launch pad at Cape Canaveral, Fla. Also in 1957 AFL-CIO members voted to expel the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

In 1969 a concert by the Rolling Stones at the Altamont Speedway in Livermore, Calif., was marred by the deaths of four people, including one who was stabbed by a Hell's Angel.

In 1973 House minority leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew.

In 1982, 11 soldiers and six civilians were killed when an Irish National Liberation

Army bomb exploded in a pub in Ballykelly, Northern Ireland.

In 1989, 14 women were shot to death at the University of Montreal's school of engineering by a man who then took his own life. Also in 1989 Egon Krenz resigned as leader of East Germany.

In 1992 thousands of Hindu extremists destroyed a mosque in India, setting off two months of Hindu-Muslim rioting that claimed at least 2,000 lives.

In 1994 former Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell pleaded guilty to defrauding his former law partners and clients of nearly \$400,000. Also in 1994 Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen announced his resignation. Also in 1994 Orange County, Calif., filed for bankruptcy protection due to investment losses of about \$2 billion.

In 1996 stock markets around the world plunged after comments by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan were taken to mean that U.S. stock prices were too high.

In 1999 SabreTech, an aircraft maintenance company, was convicted of mishandling the oxygen canis-

ters blamed for the cargo hold fire that caused the 1996 ValuJet crash in the Everglades that killed 110 people. (Eight of the nine counts were later thrown out on appeal.)

In 2001 the House, by a one-vote margin, gave President George W. Bush more power to negotiate global trade deals.

In 2002 President George W. Bush pushed Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill and economic adviser Larry Lindsey from their jobs in a Cabinet shake-up. Also in 2002 actress Winona Ryder was sentenced to community service as part of a probationary term for stealing more than \$5,500 worth of merchandise from a Saks Fifth Avenue store in Beverly Hills.

In 2003 a U.S. warplane in pursuit of a "known terrorist" attacked a village in eastern Afghanistan, mistakenly killing nine children.

In 2004 militants struck the U.S. Consulate in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, with explosives and machine guns; nine people were killed in the attack; al-Qaida claimed responsibility. Also in 2004 Ohio certified President George W. Bush's 119,000 vote victory over John Kerry, even as the Kerry campaign and third-party candidates prepared to demand a statewide recount.

In 2005 an Iranian military transport plane crashed in a Tehran suburb as it was trying to make an emergency landing, killing at least 115 people, including 21 on the ground.

In 2017 President Donald Trump announced that the United States would recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, triggering days of violence in the Middle East. Also in 2017 the Skirball Fire near Los Angeles closes Interstate 405 as thousands are forced to evacuate.

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Alberts, Susan

Susan Alberts nee Weinstein, age 71, beloved daughter of the late Ann and Charles of Flint, Michigan, adored wife of Barry and loving mother of Jaime, on Dec. 4 at 5 pm Eastern. Susie was originally a social worker at the first abortion clinic in Illinois, and later became devoted to facilitating healthy child development through Feldenkrais and Childspace. A lover of books, poetry, art and music, she was passionate about time in nature, travel, and relationships with family and dear friends. Susie was a beacon of light and joy, who danced to the beat of her own drummer and touched innumerable lives. Her body is gone but her love is not. Service Friday, 1 PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made in her name to HIAS Chicago, 216 West Jackson Blvd #700, Chicago, IL 60606 or the Chicago Foundation for Women, 140 S Dearborn St #400, Chicago, IL, 60603. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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Beckner, Harry G.

It is with great sadness that the family of Harry G. Beckner announce his passing on December 1, 2018. Harry was born on December 6, 1928 in Oak Park, Illinois. Harry leaves behind his wife of 18 years, Susan, son Paul (Helen), daughter Meredith (Tom), and grandson John David. Harry is also survived by his former wife Anne, of Austin, Texas. Two of his children predeceased him, James David and Laura Lee.

Harry received a Bachelor of Science from Northwestern University and a Master of Arts from Michigan State University. He served in the United States Army Quartermaster Corps from 1951-1953 at Fort Lee, Virginia.

Harry worked for Jewel Food Stores in Chicago, from 1949 through 1978, serving the last 11 years as president. He was a director of Jewel Companies, Inc., from 1969 through 1978. In 1978, Harry joined H.E. Butt Grocery Company (HEB), in Corpus Christi, Texas, as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. He retired in 1984 to Austin, Texas, remaining as a director of HEB and continuing as a private consultant to several supermarket chains in the United States and the United Kingdom. Harry served on many boards, most notably the Food Marketing Institute for 18 years, and the Zenith Radio Corporation for 22 years. Harry fully retired in 2003 to the Sarasota area. We will miss him - his support, generosity, sharp mind, and constant love. A family service is scheduled for Harry at the Farley Funeral Home, 265 S. Nokomis Avenue, Venice, FL. Memorial donations may be made to Tidewell Hospice, Philanthropy Department, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238, and Unity Church of Venice, 125 N. Jackson Road, Venice, FL 34292. To share a memory of Harry or to send a condolence to the family visit www.farleyfuneralhome.com.

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Belkin, Elizabeth H.

Elizabeth H. Belkin nee Honnet, 72. Devoted daughter of the late Morris and Florence. Beloved sister of Charles O. (Ellen Porter Honnet) Honnet. Cherished aunt of Alex and Floryn Honnet. Dear niece of Irving (the late Bernice) Stoller. Former teacher at Niles West High School who went on to a distinguished career as an attorney. Service Sunday, 12 noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Council for Jewish Elderly, 3003 West Touhy, Chicago, IL 60645 www.cje.net would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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Breschnev, Ivan

Ivan Breschnev, age 94, passed away December 4, 2018. Devoted husband of the late Pauline Breschnev, nee Martynovych. Loving father of Nicholas (Katherine), Peter (Nella) and Raisa (Timothy) Jeromsky. Cherished grandfather of Sophia and Michael. Funeral service Friday, December 7 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Virgin Protection Cathedral, 1800 Lee St., Des Plaines. Interment to follow at Elmwood Cemetery. Visitation at the Cathedral Thursday, December 6, 2018 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., with Panikhida (Wake Service) at 5:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials to O.R.P.R. Children's Camp, c/o Helen Pregl, 517 Sommers Landing, Hudson, WI 54016. Arrangements entrusted to **Muzyka & Son Funeral Home**. For more info, please call (773) 545-3800 or visit www.muzykafuneralhome.com.

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Bromberek, Georgina E.

Georgina E. Bromberek, nee Unrein, age 88 of LaGrange Park. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Bromberek, fond mother of Ray Bromberek, Jim Bromberek, Lisa (Joseph) Svoboda and the late Debra (Gary) Whitebread; dear grandmother of Amy (Jayson) Melin, Samuel Svoboda, Dirk Bromberek, Mitch Svoboda, Allison Svoboda, Nicole Bromberek and the late Jacob Whitebread; great grandmother of Jaycob, Adeline and Evelyn Melin; sister of Julius (Lucy) Unrein, Alverna (the late Vernon) Beiker, Haroldine (Margie) Unrein, Rosella (Peter) Stec and the late Lester (the late Geneva) Unrein and the late Augustine (the late Anne) Unrein; aunt and great aunt of many. Visitation Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 9 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at **Hitzeman Funeral Home, Ltd.**, 9445 West 31st Street, Brookfield, IL 60513. Funeral 10:30 A.M. to St. Louise de Marillac Church, LaGrange Park. Mass 11 A.M. Interment Mt. Vernon Memorial Estates. Memorials appreciated to St. Thomas Hospice, 119 E Ogden Ave Ste. 111, Hinsdale, IL 60521. Information 708-485-2000 or www.HitzemanFuneral.com

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Cogozzo, Ludovic P. 'Lud'

Lud Cogozzo, age 96, a long time resident of Chicago and late of Prairietown IL, beloved husband of June (nee Antonson) Cogozzo; loving father of Michael (Millicent) Cogozzo, Thomas (Katherine) Cogozzo and Susan (Paul) Miller, cherished grandfather of eleven, great grandfather of nineteen and beloved uncle of many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife June, his parents, Alphonse and Susan Cogozzo, his brothers Joseph and Alphonse Jr. and sister Bernadette Albertine. Lud was born in Steger IL and grew up in the Swede Hill neighborhood of Chicago's south side. He was a decorated veteran of WW2 having been awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in action while serving in France with the 103rd Inf. Division. Lud and his brother Joe were owners of Victory Distributors, Inc. on the south side of Chicago for many years. The business, originally started by their father Alphonse, dealt in new and used home appliances as well as parts and service. Following retirement, Lud and June moved to the rural community of Prairietown IL near Edwardsville IL. It was there that he became a gentleman farmer, a horseman and started a new appliance business (Lud's Vacuum) which continues in operation today.

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See Joseph Nevi Hosteny III notice.

Delaney, Ernestine L.

Ernestine L. (Rashid) Delaney, 89, of Willowbrook. Devoted wife of the late Dwight Francis Delaney. Daughter of the late Farris and Gladys Kay Rashid. Loving mother of Nanette Delaney of Naperville, Dwight Delaney of Downers Grove, Sue Clanton of Westmont, Jennifer (Rick) Rigley of Burr Ridge and Dawn (Rob) Conrad of Bristol, WI and the late Janice Delaney Alcaraz. Grandmother of Sarah Clanton of Westmont, Alex Rigley of New York, NY, Katie Rigley and Jackie Rigley of Burr Ridge, Jason Delaney of Downers Grove, Kevin Brennen of Chicago, Taylor, Hunter & Abby Conrad of Bristol, WI and Gillian Delaney of Naperville. Great-grandmother of Nicholis Clanton of Westmont. Sister of the late Delores Pollpeter. She graduated from University of Iowa with a B.A. in Home Economics. She enjoyed cooking, dancing, music and being with her family. A visitation will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 10 am to 12 pm with a memorial service beginning at 12:00 pm at Adolph Funeral Home, Ltd., 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook. A private family burial at Assumption Catholic Cemetery, Glenwood, IL on Monday, December 10, 2018. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's (stjude.org) or the American Cancer society (donate3.cancer.org). Info at 630-325-2300 or www.adolphservices.com.

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Dooley, Dolores M

A Resident of Schaumburg for 19 years, Formerly of Hoffman Estates since 1967. Visitation for Dolores M. Dooley (nee Jayko), 92, will be held Friday, Dec. 7 from 1:00-8:00pm at **Michaels Funeral Home & Cremation Care**, 800 S. Roselle Rd., Schaumburg. Family and friends will gather for 11:00am funeral mass at St. John Cantius Church, 825 N. Carpenter St. Chicago proceeding to interment at St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine.

Born Dec. 21, 1925 in Chicago to the late Anthony and the late Clara (nee Milkowski), she passed away peacefully Nov. 17, 2018 in Arlington Heights.

She achieved a Registered Nurse degree and license. A nurse for 45 years, Head Nurse for 17. Creator of the Day Surgery Program for Alexian Brothers Hospital, she helped 3 other Chicago area hospitals create their programs, the most successful hospital programs of the modern era. The protocols she wrote are still used today by the hospitals. She wrote, staged, directed and made all the costumes for her Church's Christmas pageant for 25 years.

Dolores was all about family, loved celebrations, and staged many a party or get together, organizing the Family's Picnic's & Cousin's Caroling Party every year for 25 years for an extended family of 150. And always was available to help the neighbors, and the neighborhood's kids, and the entire extended family. Dolores was the adoring wife of 50 years to the late Harry; loving mother of Patrick, Michael, Miriam (Courtney) Ladd, Colette (Dennis) Robertson, John (Julie), Harry (Katherine) and the late Joan Mary (Paul) Carter; fond grandmother of 13; proud great grandmother of soon to be 15; loving sister of Marie (Norbert) Kwiatek and Connie (Ralph) Bostler; beloved aunt, cousin, and dear friend to many. She will be missed by all those whose lives she touched. For information please call 847-891-2900 or for guestbook please visit www.michaelsfh.com

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Enright, Patrick J. "Pat"

Patrick J. "Pat" Enright, Age 67, of Walnut Shade, MO, Born into Eternal Life on November 30, 2018. Beloved husband of Michele (nee Marra) for 42 years. Loving father of Melissa (Stacy) Taylor, and Christopher (Lauren) Enright. Proud grandpa of Macy and Brynn Taylor, and Avery Enright. Beloved son of the late Francis and Irene Enright. Dear brother of Mary Kay (Bob, C.F.D.) Michaels, Jean Marie Enright, and the late Francis (Karen), and the late Richard (Mary Ann) Enright. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. "Pinto Pat" is fondly remembered for his cowboy action shooting hobby, boating, wood-working, welding, creating things, and spoiling his grandchildren with candy and presents. Memorial Visitation Saturday, December 8th, 12 Noon-3:00pm at **Curley Funeral Home (Heehey-Laughlin Directors)** 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415. Liturgical Wake Service at 2:00pm with Rev. Charles Rubey, officiating. Private Interment. Memorials to Blue Cap, 1962 Broadway, Blue Island, IL 60406 are most appreciated. Info: Heehey-Laughlin Funeral Directors 708-636-5500 or www.heeheyfh.com

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Forst, Anna Maria

Anna Maria Forst nee Stover, 97 years. Beloved wife of the late Raymond Forst. Loving mother of Barbara Dybas, Thomas Forst, Michael (Patrick) Forst & the late Lawrence Forst. Cherished grandmother of Rachael (Dan) Hevrdejs & Shawn, Anthony, & Matthew Forst. Proud great grandmother of Carla (Joe) Pajek & Andrew, Anthony, Brooklyn & Paul Forst. Dear sister of the late Ernest, Bert, Margaret & Raymond. Fond aunt of many nieces & nephews. Funeral Friday 10:00 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn to St. Christina Church, Chicago, for Mass at 11:00 am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Visitation Friday from 8:30 am until the time of prayers at 10:00 am. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Hoar, Elizabeth F.

Elizabeth F. Hoar, nee Tooth, of Westchester. Beloved wife of the late Richard; loving mother of Shirley Meadows (David Walhovd), Richard F. Jr. (Therese) Hoar and the late Barbara (Tom) Parkinson; dear grandmother of Vincent (Karen), Brian, Julie (Chris), Tom, Greg, Eric (Jill), Nicole (Charlie), Ryan, Christopher and Michelle; great-grandmother of Huntley, Gabriella, Jordan, Adam, Izabella, Anthony and Alex; fond sister of the late William (Jan) and the late Richard (Helen) Tooth; aunt of many. Devoted lifelong parishioner of St. Simeon Church in Bellwood. Visitation Friday 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. at **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**, SW corner of Mannheim & Roosevelt Roads, Hillside/Westchester. Prayers Saturday 10:00 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Simeon Church, Bellwood. Mass 10:45 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Funeral info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.



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Hoffman, Yetta

Yetta Hoffman, nee Weintraub, 84. Beloved wife of the late Alvin; devoted mother of Laurie (Gary Rubin) Larson, Karen (David) Hoffman Kahl, Steven (Andrea) Hoffman, and Donna Jo Hoffman Brownstone; proud grandmother of Anna (Tony), Eric, Matt, Jamie, Nina, Jaclyn, and Oliver; loving sister of Hy (Reeve) Weintraub, the late Faye (late Ben) Randall Molner, Karl (late Fritzie) Weintraub, Harry (late Renee) Weintraub, Myrna (late Morris) Jampolis Baren, Nate (late Frieda) Kahn, and Kaye (late Ted) Lawrence; fond sister-in-law of Maida (late Jerry) Hoffman; will be deeply missed by many nieces, nephews, dear friends, and cherished business associates. Yetta was an avid tennis player and a terrible golfer. Funeral service Sunday, Dec. 9, 11 AM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment Memorial Park. As a philanthropist, in lieu of flowers Yetta would appreciate contributions made to the charity of your choice. For info: 847-256-5700.

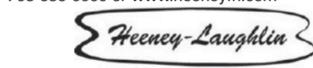


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Hosteny III, Joseph Nevi

Joseph Nevi Hosteny III, Age 73, Lt. U.S. Navy (1967-1971). Born into Eternal Life on November 30, 2018. Beloved husband of Cathleen (nee Coulas) for 47 years. Loving father of Joseph Nevi Hosteny IV (Claire), and Laura Hosteny. Proud grandpa of Joseph Nevi Hosteny V, and Lucas John Hosteny. Devoted brother of Joanna Hosteny. Fond brother-in-law of Irma

Hammer, Carol Coulas, and James J. Coulas, Jr. (Colleen). "Uncle Joe" was also loved by his many nieces and nephews. Lt. Hosteny served as an officer in the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. Sturgeon (SSN-637) earning the Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and Navy Achievement Medal. He trained at the U.S. Naval Submarine School and U.S. Naval Nuclear Power School. He earned his B.S. in Engineering from Marquette University, his J.D. from DePaul University, and formerly served as Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois and with the law firm of Niro, Haller, and Niro in Chicago. Visitation Thursday 3-8pm at **Curley Funeral Home (Heeney-Laughlin Directors)** 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415. Family and friends will meet at Christ the King Church, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 on Friday morning for visitation 9:30am-10:30am. Mass of Christian Burial Friday at 10:30am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to AIM at Melanoma Foundation, 5729 Lebanon Road, Suite 144-305 Frisco, TX 75034, Christ the King School Foundation, or St. Ignatius College Prep, 1076 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60608 are most appreciated. Info: Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors, 708-636-5500 or www.heeneyfh.com



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Kleiman, Linda

Linda Kleiman, nee Fox, age 80. cherished mother of Scott (Lisa) Kleiman and Alison (Ken) Rigby, loving "Nana" of Alex, Lindsey, Shane, Shelby and Skylar. Dear sister of Roberta Dougherty and the late Alvin Ostrin. Memorial Service Friday 11 AM at Beth Hillel Bnai Emunah, 3220 Big Tree Lane, Wilmette. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or www.mitzvahfunerals.com



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Kloecker, John F.

John F. Kloecker, age 52, of Chicago and formerly of Erie, passed away unexpectedly on 11/27/18 at his home in Chicago, Illinois. He was born on February 5, 1966 in Erie, Pennsylvania to John Francis and Sophia Marie (Florek) Kloecker.

John was a proud native of Erie, a community he would teasingly refer to as epitomizing quiet, small-town America, but for which he obviously retained enormous affection and to which he would return for visits at every opportunity to spend time with his family. His humor and quick wit were unpredictable, yet perfectly timed, and made any gathering memorable.

John was a Cathedral Prep alumnus, graduating in 1984. He obtained his undergraduate degree at Harvard, his law degree at Northwestern, and an MBA at Notre Dame. He served his country proudly in the United States Navy, attaining the rank of Lieutenant, before beginning his legal career. After clerking for United States Court of Appeals Judge Richard F. Suhrheinrich, John joined Lord, Bissell and Brook in Chicago and rose to the partnership ranks there and at its successor firm, Locke Lord. John represented some of the firm's most significant clients in high-profile commercial litigation, but also took on unpublicized pro bono causes and never turned away people in need of his help. In January 2017, John was a partner at and a co-founder of the law firm of Jaszczuk, P.C. in Chicago which is dedicated to the defense of TCPA and other consumer class action claims.

John was admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (Member of Trial Bar) and the State of Illinois.

John was a devout Catholic, who also showed genuine interest in the faiths and beliefs of his diverse group of friends. John demonstrated his charitable efforts by serving as the Chairman of the Maryville Crisis Nursery Advisory Board.

John was preceded in death by his father, John Francis Kloecker, in 2010, and maternal grandparents John and Verona Florek and paternal grandparents Roman and Kathryn Kloecker. John is survived by his mother, Sophia Kloecker, two sisters and three brothers: Anne Fontaine (Michael), Maria Williams (Tom), Jerome (Barb), Peter (Ericka), and Michael (Christella "Fritzi").

John was also a beloved uncle and friend to Monica Huson (Ben), Michelle Sallans (Andrew), Brigitte Huson (Zachary), John Fontaine (Anna), Amanda Latchaw (Ryan), Margaret Morganti (Giovanni), Matthew, Timothy, Stephen, Katherine, Christa and Rachel Kloecker, Ryan (Raella), Michael, Sean, Jack and Logan Swick, Carrie Vogelmann and Sean Williams. John was a treasured great-uncle to Maryanne Huson, Andrew, Samuel, Theodore Sallans, Patrick Huson and Susan Fontaine. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles and cousins. John will be deeply missed by all his family and his vast network of friends and colleagues. He was a mentor, friend, and a generous supporter of many charities and organizations, but most of all someone who could always make us laugh and find the levity in any situation.

Friends may call on Friday at the Francis V. Kloecker Funeral Home, Inc 2502 Sassafras St Erie, PA. 16502 from 3 pm until 7 pm and are invited to a service there on Saturday at 9:15 am followed by the Funeral Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral at 10 am. Send condolences to www.kloeckerfuneralhome.com Burial will be private.

Memorials may be made to the Emmaus Ministries, Erie, PA, Maryville Crisis Nursery, Chicago, IL, and the American Legion Girard Post 494 where he was an active member.

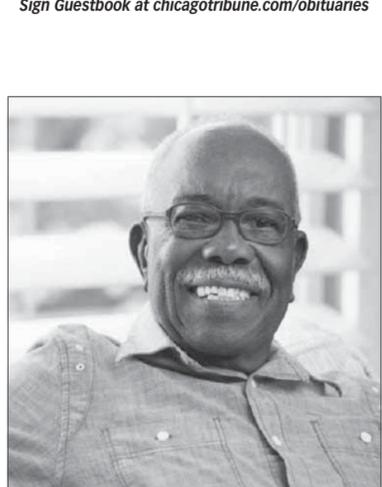
The family expresses their endless gratitude to his many friends and colleagues in Chicago for their friendship with John. There are also plans for a celebration of his life to be held in Chicago on January 5, 2019 for his related family and his Chicago family.

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Laible, Richard Alan

Richard A. Laible, age 76, of Sheboygan, WI, passed away Saturday, Dec 1, 2018. Richard was born in Freeport, IL, on Sept 18, 1942. Richard is survived by his wife, Linda, his son Randall (Lisa) Laible, of Oak Park, IL, and daughter Claire, (Charles) Cook, of Dubuque, IA, and grandchildren Kristen, Robert, and Max Laible, and Murfee and Kelsey Cook. Mass will be held on Friday, Dec 7, at 3:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in Sheboygan, WI. Please visit www.suchofh.com

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Lanphier, Barbara J.

Barbara J. Lanphier nee Banaszek, age 72. Beloved wife of the late Thomas. Loving mother of Jennifer (Chris) Rosenberg and Brian (Maria) Huey and step mother of Erik (Robin) Lanphier and Ed (Heather) Lanphier. Cherished grandmother of 10. Dearest sister of Stephen (Mary Lou) Banaszek and Robert Banaszek. Fond Aunt and Cousin of many. Memorial Visitation Sunday 3-6 PM at **Modell Funeral Home** 7710 S. Cass Avenue, Darien. Memorial Mass Monday 10:00 AM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church 8404 S. Cass Avenue, Darien. Interment private. In lieu of flowers donation to Alzheimer's Disease Research would be appreciated. For funeral info: 630-852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Mangan, James T. 'Jim'

James T. Mangan (Jim), age 92, of Elmhurst, (formerly Willowbrook and Evergreen Park) completed a happy and rewarding life on November 28, 2018. Jim was born on November 13, 1926 to the late John ("JJ") and Helen ("Mickey") Mangan of Chicago. For 63 years he was the devoted husband of the late Caryl Cummings Mangan. Together they

were the loving parents and grandparents of Robert (Jennifer) and gc Caetlin, Alex, Mary & Maggie; Martha (Dan) McNicholas and gc Jeanie & Sean; Sally (Kevin) McCarthy and gc Brady, Bryan & Connor; Thomas (Nancy) and gc Sarah, Molly, Ian & Jake; Timothy (Jenny) and gc Tyler, Evan & Patrick. More recently Jim was an affectionate "Papa" to his grandchildren's loving spouses and his 16 great grandchildren.

Jim was preceded in death by his in-law parents, Dr. Robert and Gladys Cummings, his brother Jack, and brothers/sisters-in-law James (Joan) Cummings, Lou (Robert) Bedell and Lee (C Jerome) Smith. Jim is survived by his sister-in-law Kay Mangan. Jim was also honored to be Uncle to the many nieces and nephews from the Mangan and Cummings clans.

Jim was extremely grateful for his life-long relationship with his brother, Bob, who preceded him in death by mere days. Jim and Bob were not only close brothers, but also career-long business partners in Mangan Builders. The brothers met with much success during their years together, and never strayed from conducting business with only the highest of principles. Jim was proud of these accomplishments and was also proud of the successful continuation of the Mangan Builders' legacy, under the direction of his nephews, Bob and John. As a young boy Jim had a passion for basketball, and played on teams at St. Ethelreda Grammar School, Leo High School, and the regional Navy Air Station Team from Jacksonville, FL. As a Father he shared his basketball passion and expertise by coaching his 3 sons and their St Bernadette colleagues during a 7-year span. Jim also loved golf and became a very accomplished golfer, as well as a competitive tennis player. Jim and Caryl were members for many years at the Plantation Country Club in Venice, FL where they maintained a seasonal residence.

Jim and Caryl raised their children while living for 27 years in Evergreen Park, as active parishioners of St. Bernadette's Church. Jim and Caryl were fortunate to have established many strong friendships there – relationships that began when they were young and proved memorable through the years.

For approximately 30 years Jim and Caryl's hearts were tied most closely to their Summer home on Mill Lake in the Lauderdale Lakes area of Elkhorn, WI. It was here that their love and generosity were always on display, enjoying their children and ever-growing family. Those years at the "Lake House" have produced a vault of ever-lasting memories for Jim's family. The door to the Lake House was also opened to extended family and relatives, and they continuously hosted their many friends.

Jim was also artistically accomplished. His work was excellent, and now his paintings, and the many finely detailed painted wine glasses that he created, are prized possessions held by his children. Painting was a hobby that he shared for years with Caryl, and in these last few years his daughter Sally used painting to keep Jim alert and active.

Jim was frequently referred to as a "true gentleman". He was a man that had a positive effect on those around him. A service will be held in his honor on December 8, 2018 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church located at 8404 S. Cass Ave., Darien, IL. Beginning at 10:30 a.m. there will be one hour of visitation at the church, followed immediately by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. Interment will follow at Bronswood Cemetery, 3805 Madison St., Oak Brook, IL. Donations preferred to either Misericordia or Homes For Our Troops (hfotusa.org). Funeral arrangements entrusted to **Brady-Gill Funeral Home** Tinley Park. 708-614-9900 or www.bradygill.com.



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McCabe, Michael H.

Michael H. McCabe, age 74; beloved husband of Christine nee Wright; loving father of Christopher, Molly and Megan McCabe; also devoted father of Michael (Judy) McCabe. Memorial Visitation Saturday from 10:00 A.M. until time of Memorial Service at 11:30 A.M. at Modell Funeral Home, 7710 S. Cass Avenue, Darien. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital appreciated. For info: (630) 852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Murphy, Francis J.

Francis J. Murphy age 94, Native of Keellogues New, Mayo; Beloved husband of Margaret (nee O'Malley) for 66 years; Loving father of Mary Jane (Bill) Peterman, Frank (Peggy), Marty (Donna), Eileen (Mike) O'Shea, Maureen (Joe) Meno, Patrick (Maureen), Tim (Kathy), Mike (Noreen), John, Margie (Joe) Leahy, Tom (Mary Beth) and Brian (Marie); Proud grandfather of 30 and great-grandfather of 13; Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews and a friend to many; Member of Carpenters Union Local 13 for 66 years. Visitation Friday, December 7th, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Saturday, 10:30 a.m. from the Schmaedeke Funeral Home, 10701 S. Harlem Ave., Worth, IL, to St. Catherine of Alexandria Church, 10621 S. Kedvale Ave., Oak Lawn for Mass at 11:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Service info 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com

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Oehmig, Dr. Colette T.

Dr. Colette T. Oehmig; Beloved mother of Robert (Lauren) Nisivoccia; Dear sister of Camilla, Denise, and Anita; Fond aunt of Gillian; Proud daughter of the late Robert and Patricia, nee Brodie; Loving fiancé of Louis Mercado; Visitation Friday 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. with a Chapel Service at 7:30 p.m. at **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; Funeral Saturday, family and friends to meet at St. Mary Cemetery for graveside prayers at 11:00 a.m.; For Funeral info: (708) 422-2700 of www.curleyfuneralhome.com



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Pashos, Helene

Beloved Wife of the Late Peter Sr, Cherished Mother of Marie Elena (Larry) Filetti, Peter Jr.(Denise), and Kim (John) Gallagher Loving Grandmother of L.J., Nick, Kristyn, Alexandria, Michael, Kacie, Gina, Michael, Kaitlin Great Grandmother of Hailey, Gabriella, Ronin, and Reece

Dear Aunt to many nieces and nephews Proud cousin to many Visitation Friday from 9:00 am till 10:30 am at the Thompson Spring Grove Funeral Home 8103 Wilmont Rd, Spring Grove, IL (1 mile north of Route 12) Procession following visitation to St. John the Baptist Church Johnsburg, IL for 11:00 am Mass, Interment St. John the Baptist Church Cemetery. Info: 815-675-0550 or severinofd.com or thompsonspringgrove.com

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Sarcinelli, Lorraine

Lorraine Sarcinelli, 90, of Joliet, formerly of Burbank, December 3, 2018. Visitation Friday, December 7, 2018, 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Fred C. Dames Funeral Home, 3200 Black at Essington Rds., Joliet. Funeral services Saturday, 9:15 a.m. from the funeral home to Holy Family Catholic Church, 600 Brook Forest Ave., Shorewood, for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment Woodlawn Memorial Park II. Memorials P.A.W.S. Animal Rescue (www.paws.org) or Villalobos Rescue Center (www.vrcpitbull.com) appreciated. To read her complete obituary visit www.freddcnames.com or call (815) 741-5500 for more information.



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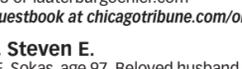
Schnur, Jacob J.

Jacob J. Schnur, 95 of Barrington, formerly of Arlington Heights was born August 17, 1923 in Chicago to Jacob and Katherine (nee Mathias) Schnur and passed away peacefully December 2, 2018. Jacob was the beloved husband of the late Ellen (nee Reagan) Schnur; loving father of Carole (Michael) Toombs, Linda (Michael) Hodson, James (Ellen) Schnur and Thomas (Kate) Schnur; cherished grandfather of 8; great-grandfather of one and dear brother of Katherine (late John) Kornacker. Jacob was an Army Officer in WWII serving from 1943 -1946. He was a distinguished corporate lawyer and served as counsel to Jewel Companies for over thirty years. Memorial visitation will be Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 10:00 AM until the time of the Memorial Service at 12 noon at **Lauterburg & Oehler Funeral Home**, 2000 E. Northwest Highway, Arlington Heights. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Pepper Family Hospice Care Center by JourneyCare, 405 Lake Zurich Road, Barrington, IL 60010 appreciated. Funeral info 847-253-5423 or lauterburgoeehler.com

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Sokas, Steven E.

Steven E. Sokas, age 97. Beloved husband of the late Florence, nee Smith. Dear father of the late Michael (Sharon). Loving grandfather of Anne Marie (Peter) Vasquez, Mary Beth (Daniel) Leibham, Jennifer (David) Cortes, the late Michelle and great grandfather of Jeremy, Michael, John, Raegan, Norah, Patrick and Jude. Dear brother of the late Patricia Bell. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 8:30 a.m. until time of prayers 10:00 a.m. at **Beverly Ridge Funeral Home**, 10415 S. Kedzie Ave., Mass 10:30 a.m. St. John Fisher Church. Interment St. Casimir Cemetery. 773-779-4411



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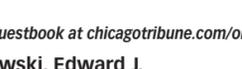
Sokolowski, Peter A.

Peter A. Sokolowski. Age 85 of Cary passed away December 3, 2018. He was born June 30, 1933 in Chicago, the son of Albert and Mary Rose Sokolowski. Peter is survived by his son Scott Sokolowski and his daughter Noelle (P.J. Nania) Sokolowski as well as a loving extended family and many friends. Besides his parents he is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 62 years Joanne M. Sokolowski. Peter served in the Army during the Korean War. There will be a visitation for Peter on Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM at the Kahle-Moore Funeral home, 403 Silver Lake Rd., Cary. Funeral Mass 10:30 AM on Monday, December 10th at SS. Peter & Paul Church, 410 First St., Cary For info: 847-639-3817 or kahlemoore.com

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Sosnowski, Edward J.

Edward J. Sosnowski, age 83, passed away November 24, 2018, beloved husband of Janice, nee Boyle; devoted father of Laura (Robert) St. John; dearest grandfather of Kasia St. John; brother of Stanley (Maryann), Lucy (Jerry) Szczepanski, and the late Alice (late Norman) Zawistowski; dear uncle of many; Edward was a firefighter with the Village of Niles, IL. There will be a memorial visitation at the **Skaja Terrace Funeral Home** 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave. Niles on Saturday from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm with services at 8:00 pm. Interment private. Funeral info: 847-966-7302 or www.skajafuneralhomes.com.



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Svoboda, Raymond J.

Raymond J. Svoboda of Westchester, age 81. Beloved husband of the late Sharon, nee Subert; loving father of Debra (Frank) Matos and Catherine (Richard) Bravo; proud grandfather of Matthew (Caryl), Katelyn, Brian and Kevin; dear sister-in-law of Diane (the late Robert) Steyer. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Saturday, December 8, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until time of Chapel Service 12:00 noon. Interment Chapel Hill Gardens West Cemetery. Memorials to Wounded Warriors Project (www.woundedwarriorproject.org) appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.



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Sweeney, John J. 'Jack'

John J. "Jack" Sweeney III, of Kingman, AZ, formerly of Chicago, 81, beloved fiance of Cheryl Hamm; loving father of Catherine J. "Katie" Sweeney; beloved son of the late Mary & John J. Sweeney Sr.; dear brother of Richard, Marge "Peg" Fink (William Stacy) & the late Patrick Sweeney; fond uncle of Dawn Munson, Richard (Renee) & Kevin (Michelle) Sweeney, Beth Hodge, Joe Fink, Annette DeYoung, the late Bobette, Michael & Lee; cousin of many. Jack passed away on November 2, 2018, surrounded by his family. He had a loving heart, always greeted people with a big smile & was a great hugger. He was supportive & protective of the people he loved. Jack was a gifted singer who shared his love of music with his family, friends & in church choir. In his younger years, he served as an Airman in the Navy at Great Lakes Naval Airbase. A memorial visitation will be held on Saturday 12 noon until time of service 1:00 p.m. at **Hursen Funeral Home & Crematory**, SW corner of Roosevelt & Mannheim rds, Hillside/Westchester. Burial at Glen Oak Cemetery, funeral info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com



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Taylor, Frances

Frances Taylor nee Kolstad, 93, longtime resident of Glenview, passed away December 3, 2018. Loving mother of Stephanie Taylor, Mary Jo Coleman, Kathleen (John) Malooly and Jay (Gina) Taylor; cherished grandmother of Patrick (Shauna), Kaitlyn (Drew), Joseph, Daniel, James, and John Patrick; proud great grandmother of Jack, Will and Cecilia; dear sister of Robert Kolstad, the late Mary Hardy, Roy Kolstad, and James Kolstad; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Memorial visitation will be held Friday, December 7 from 9:15am until time of the Mass at 10 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove St., Glenview. Funeral information 847-998-1020.



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Timmer, Horst

Horst Timmer, beloved husband of Maria. Loving Papa of Heidi (Tim) Molinare & Sonja (Jake) Gancarz. Dear Opa of Maxwell & Kendra Gancarz. Son of the late Theodor & the late Emilie. Brother of Roswitha (Willibald) Blum. Memorial visitation, Friday, December 7th, from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Nelson Funeral Home 820 W. Talcott Road Park Ridge. For information please call 847.823.5122

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Verch, Edward

Edward E. Verch, age 92; WWII US Air Force veteran; beloved husband of Jeanette Iwick Verch; loving father of Neal Verch and Gail (Bradley) Pontius; dear step-father of Michael (Ellen) Iwick, Laura (Tom) Kendler, David Iwick and the late Wayne Iwick; cherished grandfather of 6; great-grandfather of 5; fond brother of Dolly Durso; member of the Stick and Rudder Flying Club. Lying in state Fri., Dec. 7, 2018 from 10 AM until time of mass 11 AM at St. Edna Church, 2525 N. Arlington Hts. Rd., Arlington Hts. Interment Maryhill. 847/394-2336

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Walsh, Geraldine K.

Geraldine K. Walsh (nee Eger), age 94, late of Mokena and formerly of Oak Forest. Beloved wife of the late Edward V. Walsh, Sr. for 68 years. Loving mother of Edward V. (Victoria) Walsh, Jr. and Noreen (Robert) Clancy. Cherished grandmother of Timothy (Taylor) Walsh, Brian Walsh, Kyle Clancy and Sarah Clancy. Dear sister of the late Patricia (the late George) Blasco. Dearest aunt of Thomas Blasco, Gerianne Blasco-Wilson, George Blasco, Lorianne Venice, William Burke, Dennis Burke, Mary Ellen Kelly and the late Patricia Burke. Visitation Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the **McKenzie Funeral Home**, 15618 S. Cicero Ave., Oak Forest from 9:00 a.m. until time of Chapel Prayers at 11:15 a.m. Procession will follow to St. Damian Church for a 12 Noon Mass. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions in Geraldine's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959. For information: 708-687-2990.

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Wieczorek, Janine R.

Janine R. Wieczorek nee Szkudlanski, age 91 of Brookfield, born June 21, 1927 in Noyelles-Sous-Lens (Pas-De-Calais) France passed away November 26, 2018 in Oakhurst, CA. Beloved wife of the late Boleslaw, loving mother of Robert (Kathy) and Edward (Patricia), cherished grandmother of Corey (Rowann), Danielle (Brian) Bower,

Robert, Jaclyn (Casey) Ziegert and great-grandmother of Jenna, Morgan, Taylor, Keegan, Konner, Kaden and Kaia, fond godmother and aunt of Georges (Angela) Moczalla and aunt and great aunt to many nieces and nephews, loving and cherished friend to many. Visitation Friday, December 7, 3:00pm to 9:00pm and Saturday, December 8, 10:00am until time of Chapel Service 11:00am at Kuratko-Nosek Funeral Home, 2447 S. DesPlaines Avenue, North Riverside. Cremation and Inurnment private. Arrangements handled by Johnson-Nosek Funeral Home, Brookfield. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.JohnsonNosek.com. Info: (708) 485-0214.



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Williams, Joyce Hadley

Joyce Hadley Williams, 81, wife of the late Albert Dickens Williams, Jr. of Lake Forest, IL and Wellington, FL. passed away on December 2 in Florida. The mother of the late Theodore S. Gary, III (Genevieve and Hayden), Laura Gary (Alexa and Morgan Butler), the late James H. Gary (Hadley and Samantha (Nick) Skuce and Matthew), Whitney W. (Clarke) Jones (Caroline, Clarke, Jr. and Eleanor) and Leslie W. (Mark) Mahler (Benjamin and Nina).

Joyce was born on May 26, 1937 in New York, NY and was raised in Dayton, OH.

Joyce was a longtime volunteer for and supporter of Lake Forest Hospital, Children's Memorial Hospital, Allendale, Infant Welfare Society, Ducks Unlimited and was a member of Women's Board of Lake Forest Hospital. Additionally, she was a member of the Founders' Board of Children's Memorial Hospital of Chicago. She was also a loyal and enthusiastic owner and supporter of show jumpers, and spent her winters cheering them to success in the show rings of Wellington, FL.

Loving and impeccable care was provided to Joyce for more than 18 years by Diane & Darek Nowakowski and Ewa Palucha.

A memorial service will be held in late spring in Lake Forest, IL.

In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that contributions be made to Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital, 1000 North Westmoreland Road, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045. Please make checks payable to "Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital"

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Williamson, Eugene

Eugene Williamson, 85, known as Gene, Gino, and sometimes Mike, longtime companion of Elaine Williamson, father of Eugenia and Alex, friend of many. Williamson was a bon vivant, barstool philosopher, and encyclopedia of jokes both dirty and clean. His was a sprawling and singular life that leaves behind more stories and questions than could fit in his sedan. Memorial service to be held Friday, December 7, 4-8pm at **Belmont Funeral Home**, 7120 W Belmont Ave, Chicago. For information, (773) 286-2500



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Wolak, Esther

Esther Wolak nee Maciejewski, 91, beloved wife of the late Edward; loving sister of Lorraine (late Sylvester) Ptak and late Harry (late Marianne) Maciejewski; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday, December 7th. from 9:00 A.M. until 10:45 A.M. at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, 5005 S. Wolf Rd. Western Springs, IL. Funeral mass will be celebrated at 11:00 A.M. Entombment Resurrection Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, masses preferred. For additional information, contact **Suburban Family Funeral Home** at 708-652-1116 or visit www.Suburbanfamilyfh.com.

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Wulbert, Mark L.

Mark L. Wulbert, age 70, loving father of Shayne (Vladimir Lozovskiy) Wulbert and Jordan (Lindsay) Wulbert; adored grandpa of Benjamin, Micah, Lily and Lyla; devoted son of the late Eugene and the late Beatrice Wulbert; former spouse of Penny Wulbert; brother of A. Jeff (Jan) Wulbert and the late Scot and the late Randy Wulbert; treasured uncle, cousin and friend to many. Service Friday, 11:00 a.m. at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the charity of your choice. Info: **The Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Zidek, Kathleen S.

Kathleen S. Zidek, 49, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 after a twenty-year battle with brain cancer. She had been a Libertyville resident since 1994 and was a graduate, receiving her bachelor and master's degrees in industrial technology from Purdue University. She was employed by the Marsh & McLennan Company in Deerfield and was a member of St. Joseph Parish.

Surviving are her husband of 26 years, Charles J. Zidek; 4 children, Anne, Grace, Kathryn and John Zidek; her parents, Jerry & Carolyn Thomas and 3 brothers, Timothy (Donna) Thomas, Jerry (Kelly) Thomas and Kevin (Rebekah) Thomas.

Visitation will be from Noon to 4:00 pm Sunday, December 9, 2018 at the **Burnett-Dane Funeral Home**, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Prayers will begin at the funeral home at 9:30 am Monday followed by funeral mass at 10:00 am at St. Joseph Church, 121 E. Maple, Libertyville. Interment will be at Ascension Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital for Brain Cancer Research c/o Dr. Nina Paleologos. Info: 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at www.burnettdane.com.

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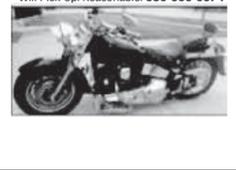
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IN THE INTEREST OF
Christian M Reyes AKA Cristian Reyes

A MINOR
NO. 2018JD01877

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Milko Reyes (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **November 19, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Stuart Lubin** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **12/19/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 58 COURTROOM 11.

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
December 6, 2018

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
B. Pucci, D. Augustine
ATTORNEY FOR:

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois, 60612
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Kavonte Smith

A MINOR
NO. 2018JD01926

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Kiera Smith (Mother)** **Andrew Kimber (Father)**, AKA **Unknown Kimberly Brown (Guardian)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **November 28, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Stuart Lubin** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **12/19/2018 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 58 COURTROOM 11.

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COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Kelondre Pierce

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Cashea Murray (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00530

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Kendrick Pierce (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **June 6, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Patrick Murphy** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **12/20/2018, at 02:00 PM** IN CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 6, 2018

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Ky'Ree Howard

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Jamica Holliness (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00350

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown (Father)** **Any And All Unknown Fathers** Any, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **April 3, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Andrea Buford** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **12/20/2018, at 02:00 PM** IN CALENDAR 4 COURTROOM D, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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December 6, 2018

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The Donald

Trubisky appears good to go. How good will he feel after a meeting with the Rams' super-freak MVP candidate?

MITCH TRUBISKY'S DEAL

By COLLEEN KANE | Chicago Tribune

Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky stepped to the microphone Wednesday at Halas Hall and flashed a wide grin when a reporter welcomed him back to his weekly news conference.

"I'm so excited to be back," Trubisky said. "I missed you guys a lot."

The Bears may not have to miss Trubisky much longer.

After sitting out two games with a right shoulder injury he suffered Nov. 18 against the Vikings, Trubisky said he expects to play Sunday night when the Bears host the Rams in a nationally televised game.

Bears coach Matt Nagy said he has a "strong" feeling that Trubisky will be ready to play, but he needs to see what he does in practice this week before making a final determination.

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AARON DONALD'S STEEL



BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

James Daniels was sitting at his locker Wednesday afternoon before practice intently studying video of the Rams on his tablet when the questions began: How is

he going to protect Mitch Trubisky from menacing Rams defensive tackle Aaron Donald?

The Bears rookie left guard figures to get most of the work blocking Donald on Sunday night when the Rams come to Soldier Field with an NFL-best 11-1 record. With Trubisky set to return after missing the last two games with a right shoulder injury, the offensive line needs to keep the quarterback upright.

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■ Roquan Smith expects to be tested by Rams' play-action pass attack. **Page 6**

Super-sized Aaron Donald, strip-sacking Russell Wilson in 2017, already has 16½ sacks this season.

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BASEBALL

Cardinals acquire Cubs nemesis Goldschmidt

D-backs trade 6-time All-Star for 3 players, pick

By MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune



Goldschmidt

After the Cubs blew a five-game lead and lost the National League Central title to the Brewers, another team looms as a big threat in the division.

The rival Cardinals enhanced their chances Wednesday by acquiring longtime Cubs nemesis Paul Goldschmidt from the Diamondbacks in a trade for pitcher Luke Weaver, catcher Carson Kelly, infielder Andrew Young and a 2019 competitive-balance Round B draft pick.

Goldschmidt, 31, a six-time NL All-Star first baseman, is in the final year of a multiyear contract. The trade from the NL West to the Central means he'll face the Cubs up to 19 times instead of six or seven.

In 43 career games against the Cubs, Goldschmidt is hitting .353 with 14 home runs, 39 RBIs, a .471 on-base percentage and a 1.170 OPS. At Wrigley Field, he has a .337 batting average with five home runs, 17 RBIs and a 1.011 OPS.

Wrigley was the site of one of Goldschmidt's greatest games on Aug. 3, 2017. He went 3-for-4 with three home runs and six RBIs in a 10-8 Diamondbacks victory.

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COLLEGES

Wolverines are gettin' Iggy with it

Freshman Ignas Brazdeikis was on full display Tuesday night against Northwestern — and Michigan thinks it can ride him all the way to April.

■ Illinois falls to 2-7 after 77-67 home loss to Ohio State. College basketball, **Back Page**

BULLS

No shortcuts to success Boylen desires to build

New coach not afraid to demand, and expect, more from his players

By K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

As they near returns from their sprained MCLs, Kris Dunn and Bobby Portis fully participated in practice Wednesday.

Lucky them.

For the second time in three days, coach Jim Boylen paced the Bulls through a two-hour-plus practice, clocking in at 2 hours, 30 minutes, including film. This is on top of the five or six film clips Boylen showed the Bulls in the visitors locker room directly after Tuesday's road loss to the Pacers.

Did we mention there were

OPENING SHOT

Steve Rosenbloom
Asked about leadership of the fired Fred Hoiberg, Zach LaVine said, "We listened to him." Except, of course, when LaVine waved off Hoiberg's call for a screen at the end of a game. More, **Page 2**



line drills?

"We're old school — we get on the line," Boylen said. "There's no shortcut to conditioning. We're going to do it every day."

After practicing Tuesday with the Windy City Bulls for a return that, like Dunn's, feels imminent, Portis watched Boylen's coaching debut on TV.

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TOP OF THE SECOND



STEVE ROSENBLUM

'Energized' Bulls still a mess

Jeez, Fred Hoiberg could've done that. The fired coach could've directed the Bulls to play some bad basketball when it mattered and lose to a Pacers team missing its best player.

But I guess under new permanent interim coach Jim Boylen, Bulls management wonks got what they wanted: more energy and spirit jazzing up the standard bad basketball that dropped the Bulls to the worst record in the Eastern Conference.

Fist bumps all around, guys. Just to be clear: Energy and Spirit are not to be mistaken for names of adult dancers. No, they are vital intangibles that were believed to be missing by John Paxson, whose title, I believe, is Bulls Hoops Honcho Forever No Matter How Many Bad Moves He Makes.

And look at that: Energy and Spirit started early for the Bulls. Zach LaVine scored on the Bulls' first possession, and according to Tribune hoops guru K.C. Johnson, that prompted the new permanent interim coach to get up clapping and walking in front of the bench trying to get players to clap — to join in the energy and spirit.

You know, like grade-school coaches trying to gin up enthusiasm. Alas, the Bulls lost their seventh in a row and 11th in the last 12, failing to produce enough energy and spirit to get the dead-cat bounce under their new permanent interim coach. Such changes usually result in players performing better than they had under their deposed leader and looking as if they're taking their jobs seriously enough to produce a win in the debut because, as they say in the stock market, even a dead cat will bounce if dropped from a great enough height.

But no. Not these Bulls, same as those Blackhawks after they fired surefire Hall of Fame coach Joel Quenneville. Must be a United Center thing. Someone ought to check the ductwork for some kind of airborne bacteria that can make franchises ill. Or make us ill watching them operate.

In his second game back from an elbow injury, Lauri Markkanen led the Bulls with 21 points but shot just 8-for-24. Imagine how much worse he would've shot without all that energy and spirit enveloping him.

If I had to guess, I'd say Hoiberg would've loved the Pacers offense, and maybe he did privately. The ball moved



DARRON CUMMINGS/AP

New Bulls coach Jim Boylen hasn't hesitated to cite the team's various shortcomings.

quickly and smartly without touching the floor as the Pacers shot 46 percent without injured star Victor Oladipo.

Hoiberg, however, probably wouldn't have loved some of Boylen's postgame comments, specifically this:

"I'm really disappointed in our conditioning. It's going to change."

Yeah, that's a shot at the players who failed to prepare themselves properly or maintain their fitness the way they should, but it certainly reads like a criticism of the former coach who didn't demand and drill it.

Bulls management wonks might not love some of Boylen's postgame comments either, such as this:

"We have to respond better when we have in-game failure."

And this: "We got to get tougher. When you get tougher, you get those (foul) calls."

Those are criticisms of players as well, but they also can be read as very energetic and spirited shots at the talent evaluation of Bulls management wonks.

But say this for the new permanent interim coach: Boylen is blunt.

Honesty is interesting at least. Honesty brings its own energy and spirit. In fact, I believe we have the makings of a new Bulls slogan:

"More Energy and Spirit, Same Stinking You've Come to Know and Accept!"

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ASK THE REPORTER K.C. JOHNSON

Players can expect intensity level to rise



Are there any concerns about Jim Boylen's apparent desire to increase the intensity in practice? Sounds like someone I remember. And with the team health being tenuous at best, I can't help but feel some concern for the well-being of the young guys.

Will M.

Ah, another Tom Thibodeau reference. First of all, and this has been lost a little in revisionist history, Thibodeau's practice demands often were more mental than physical. Kyle Korver used to talk about the Bulls reviewing the opponent's, say, seventh out-of-bounds play at the end of a 75-minute shootaround as an example of Thibodeau's relentless attention to detail. Management and Thibodeau clashed over the physical aspect merely when it asked him to make concessions for players coming back from injuries — Derrick Rose, Joakim Noah — and Thibodeau not believing in that. Sure, management might have raised an eyebrow occasionally over Thibodeau's heavy minutes for some players. But look at what Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen played when John Paxson ran alongside them. Plus, Paxson basically said he wanted more competitive practices when addressing the coaching change Monday. Boylen is going to be more intense. There's no question about that. It's up to players to respond.

Can you explain the thinking of not putting the "interim" head coach tag on Boylen and to suggest he'll be coach next year? I understand being high on him. But what does it hurt to leave the door open?

Dan

That door is always open. It's only money, after all, and the Reinsdorfs have plenty of it. There's no interim tag, but he kind of has an interim contract, though that may be renegotiated. He was already under contract for next season, but they didn't extend him, nor should they have. So he's still on somewhat of an audition, although Paxson said he expects Boylen to be the coach next season. If you're asking for my prediction, I think he will be.

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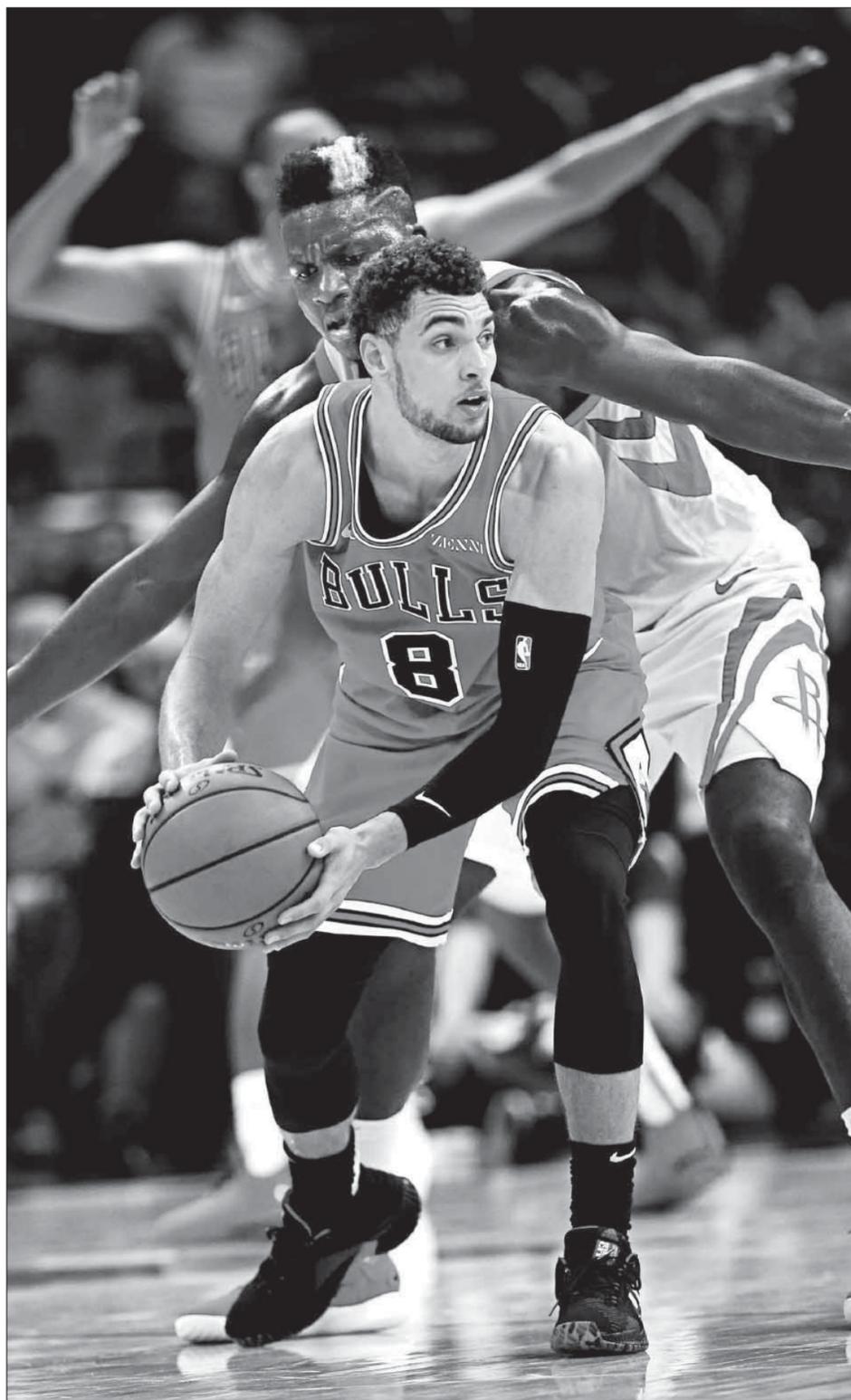
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BULLS



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Zach LaVine has averaged 6.9 assists in his last seven games and says he's comfortable as a ball distributor.

BULLS NOTES

He too shall pass

LaVine still a scorer, but he's also willing to help get others involved

By K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Three times in the last seven games, Zach LaVine has totaled a season-high nine assists. He's averaging 6.9 assists — and 3.4 turnovers — in that span.

"I'm all for winning, whatever I got to do," LaVine said. "In the beginning, I knew I had to score to give us a fighting chance. Now, with some of the guys coming back, it's not like I'm going to change my aggressiveness to score. I'm going to still put up numbers, but I'm not trying to force it too much."

In the small, two-game sample size since Lauri Markkanen returned from an elbow injury, LaVine has averaged 16 shots. That's slightly below his season

average of 19.5 shots per game.

"If the play is there, I'm going to give it to (Markkanen)," LaVine said. "I don't feel myself as a selfish player. I've played point before. Right now, I'm playing playmaker and scorer. With Lauri back, we're trying to integrate him, get him in his rhythm (and) just make the right play."

Coach Jim Boylen is pleased with LaVine's growth in trying to make the right play.

"Zach is a young player. He's very coachable," Boylen said. "My job is to turn him into an efficient, talented player. He knows it. He gets it. He looks me in the eye when I talk to him. He cares about getting better. My conversations with him are about making the right decision."

Proper praise: Kris Dunn and Bobby Portis thanked Fred Hoiberg, who was fired on Monday, for his role in their development.

"He took his time with me,"

Portis said. "He had a lot of trust in my game. It's tough to lose a guy like him."

Added Dunn: "I think Coach did a good job, especially with me. When I came into the organization he helped me get my swagger back. It wasn't just him; it was other coaches. But he played a huge role in that. I think he wished to have the opportunity to have all of us healthy, but things happen and we got to roll with the punches."

Closing time: Ryan Arcidiacono failed to score and had three turnovers in just over 29 minutes. That prompted Boylen to close with the oft-maligned Cameron Payne over Arcidiacono.

"We don't have a dedicated fourth-quarter lineup yet," Boylen said. "We're going to play the guys who are playing well."

Boylen downplayed a sore shoulder that Arcidiacono is playing through.

Boylen taking no shortcuts with Bulls

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"It's kind of funny, he reminds me of my college coach, Mike Anderson," Portis said of the Arkansas coach. "I could hear Jim through the TV. I could hear everything he was saying. He covered all the coverages himself. He's out there playing defense himself, in a defensive stance almost the entire game. That's kind of fun to see from a coach."

After Tuesday's loss, an upbeat Boylen praised his team's spirit and energy while challenging his players' conditioning and toughness. That's music to Portis' ears.

"It was fun," Portis said of the intense practice. "I was out there being vocal, bringing intensity and energy like I do each day. It raises all my teammates up and my level of play as well."

Boylen agreed.

"Bobby Portis has the ability to raise the level of your practice, which is something we need," Boylen said. "He's got a great soul, a great spirit for the game. Kris is so superior athletically, it just changes the way you look right off

"Bobby Portis has the ability to raise the level of your practice."

— Bulls coach Jim Boylen

the bat. I'm hoping we can get them back soon."

Reiterating the themes he has been pounding since taking over for the fired Fred Hoiberg on Monday, Boylen's practice emphasis centered on defensive rebounding, transition defense and offensive execution.

It's not typical for a team to practice this long in December, particularly after a game and with two days off between games. But with a seven-game losing streak, the Bulls have plenty to fix, which is why the postgame film session Boylen learned from Spurs coach Gregg Popovich could be a staple.

"I want them to learn while they're hurting," Boylen said.

Late Tuesday, Boylen talked about making opposing defenses use most of the 24-second shot

clock to guard. That's a slower-paced philosophy than the way the NBA is trending.

"We might be a part of that trend as we get healthy, we get used to each other and we grow," Boylen said. "But before you become trendy, you've got to be basic."

Getting Dunn and Portis back on top of Lauri Markkanen, who has played two games since returning from an elbow injury, will help.

"We attack whatever drill we have to do," Dunn said of himself and Portis. "We're both dogs. We're both fighters."

Dunn fielded a question about whether a coach can make a team tougher.

"You can't just install toughness into people, but they can play harder," Dunn said. "They can definitely play tougher. But when it comes to toughness, I think you're born with it — either you got it or you don't."

Watch Boylen try to prove otherwise.

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BLACKHAWKS

BLACKHAWKS AT DUCKS

Anisimov still has his 20-goal vision

Center has shown signs of emerging from sluggish start

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The puck hit Blackhawks center Artem Anisimov's stick, his eyes looked ahead and a wide open net beckoned.

Flames goalie Mike Smith was splayed out on the ice, his head facing the opposite direction from where Anisimov stood, and all he needed to do was loft the puck a little bit over Smith to put away his sixth goal of the season.

Instead, Smith instinctively raised his leg in the air to make a remarkable save that deflected Anisimov's shot, keeping Flames ahead by a goal in a game they would eventually win 3-2.

"I was like oh come on, that's 100 percent goal right there," Anisimov recalled with a frustrated laugh before Wednesday night's game in Anaheim against the Ducks.

It's been that kind of season for the Hawks and for Anisimov. Nothing has come easy.

But while the team remains in a long skid that has them near the bottom of the standings, Anisimov has shown signs of emerging from a slow start.

Since coming to the Hawks in the 2015 trade that sent Brandon Saad to the Blue Jackets, Anisimov has been the model of consistency with 20, 22 and 20 goals during his first three seasons.

Reaching the 20-goal plateau for a fourth straight time seemed out of the question after he scored just twice in the Hawks' first 22 games. But a recent stretch of three goals in five games — it would have been four goals in six games had Smith not

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denied him — has given Anisimov a shot at scoring 20 goals for the fifth time in his career.

Making the turnaround even more impressive is Anisimov, 30, has been playing with different linemates seemingly every game.

He began the season centering a line with Chris Kunitz and David Kampf, soon moved over to play with Patrick Kane and Nick Schmaltz and over the last couple weeks has been all over the lineup.

"It's difficult but when you go there and try to play hockey game it doesn't matter what partners you play," Anisimov said. "You just play the game. You try to adapt quickly. It's (just) nice to be on the ice."

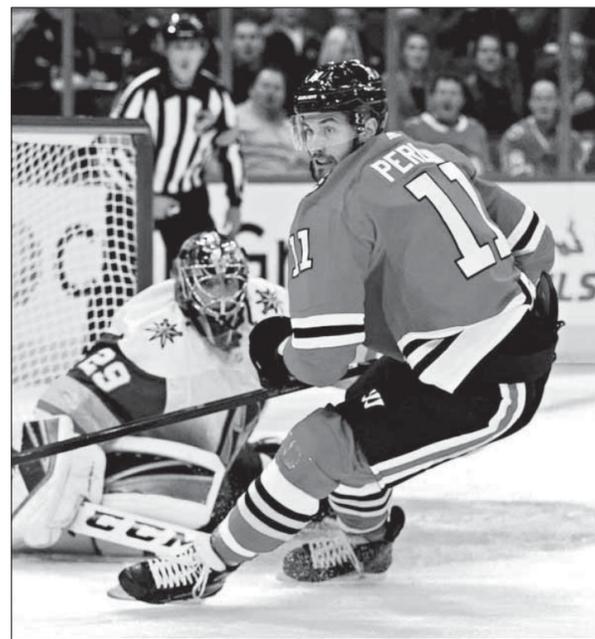
Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton even had Anisimov playing wing for a little bit. He's moved him back to center but really just wants him on the ice.

"He's giving us something every night it seems like," Colliton said. "It doesn't seem to matter who he's playing with, he's giving us some positive shifts and he's around the net, creating some things that way. It's nice to see."

Anisimov, whose wife Ksenia gave birth to their third child, Alexander, last month, still believes the Hawks can turn things around.

"It's (been) a hard season," Anisimov said. "Obviously, we're losing the games but we have all the ingredients here and we just need to figure out how we work together and put some wins together. Just go there and play hockey is what we can do."

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Left wing Brendan Perlini, playing against the Golden Knights on Nov. 27, came to the Blackhawks from the Coyotes on Nov. 25.

BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Perlini ready to stop worrying, have some fun

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

ANAHEIM, Calif. — With no goals, no assists and just one shot on goal in his first four games with the Blackhawks, left wing Brendan Perlini realized he wasn't having enough fun playing hockey. It was all right there on the tape.

"After last game I watched my shifts (and) I just thought to myself instead of worrying so much about certain little things just go out and play and have fun," Perlini said. "To me that's when I'm playing my best hockey."

Dylan Strome and Nick Schmaltz are off to strong starts with their new teams since last week's trade between the Hawks and Coyotes. Strome has two goals and an assist while Schmaltz has two goals and three assists for the Coyotes, who are 4-0 since the deal. The Hawks were 0-4 before Wednesday night's game against the Ducks.

Perlini, who has been playing on a line with Jonathan Toews and Brandon Saad, said he has been worrying too much about making sure he understood the Hawks' systems and that's led him to think too much on the ice

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instead of reacting. He's decided that has to change.

"Just go regardless if it's wrong or not," Perlini said. "I'm fast enough to try and make up for it anyway."

Back in action: Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton inserted defenseman Erik Gustafsson back in the lineup after making him a healthy scratch for the first time this season on Sunday against the Flames.

"I think we know he can make plays offensively, we know he can help us in that area," Colliton said. "We just want him to really focus on gap, defending the rush hard, defending lines hard and then, of course, in his own end around his net. But he knows that. That's not a new conversation, and I expect he'll respond."

One-timers: The Blackhawks have won an NHL-low five games in regulation this season. Over their last 60 games dating back to last season, the Hawks have won only 12 games in regulation and are 18-34-8 during that span.

BEARS

Rams' Donald presents difficult task for O-line

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Donald has been on such a tear, not only is he the leading candidate to win NFL Defensive Player of the Year honors for the second straight season — something accomplished only twice previously by J.J. Watt (2014-15) and Lawrence Taylor (1981-82) — he could be a legitimate MVP candidate if Drew Brees and Patrick Mahomes split votes for a quarterback. No defensive player has won MVP honors since Taylor in 1986.

Donald leads the NFL with 16 1/2 sacks, four more than the next defender, and has 12 1/2 in the last six games. He spent most of last Sunday's game at Ford Field in the Lions backfield, abusing rookie left guard Frank Ragnow, a first-round draft pick. Donald had two sacks, a third wiped out by a penalty, two additional tackles for a loss and a forced fumble that led to the decisive touchdown in a close game that turned into a blowout.

"He's a player that when you turn on the tape, and you go through with your guys each week who the game-changers are, you put like three circles around him," coach Matt Nagy said. "Because he's a game-changer times three."

It's sometimes difficult to double-team Donald because he often attacks the outside shoulder of the guard. Even when he is double-teamed, he still creates train wrecks in the backfield. He whipped Lions right guard Kenny Wiggins and then center Graham Glasgow on his way to sacking and stripping Matthew Stafford on one play last week.

"I'm getting sleep, yeah," Daniels said. "Trust your technique and you will be fine."

According to STATS, Daniels, a second-round pick from Iowa who has started six games and rotated in another three, has not allowed a sack this season. Right guard Bryan Witzmann, who has started the last four games, has allowed two sacks.

While edge rushers can be chipped by running backs and tight ends, there's no such help on interior pass rushers. If Donald starts at the outside shoulder of Daniels or Witzmann, it's hard for center Cody Whitehair to help, and he'll likely look to the other side, where familiar Bears foe Ndamukong Suh will be.

Donald and Suh will twist and stunt from time to time, so the interior linemen will have to be ready for that because Donald is tremendously powerful, can put a lineman on his heels and quickly throw

him to the ground. Against the 49ers, Rams defensive coordinator Wade Phillips even lined Donald up at defensive end. He defeated an offensive tackle and tight end on one play, a 280-pound game-plan wrecker coming off the edge.

Donald is a monster because he's the quickest player off the ball in a league in which there are fantastic pass rushers 40 pounds lighter, and he can beat offensive linemen with his hands. He has developed as a technician at the point of attack, where he can knock a lineman's hands down and bull-rush him back into the quarterback or swim over the lineman. Even when a lineman gets a good chuck on Donald to start a play, he can finish with his arms wrapped around the quarterback because he counters better than anyone on the interior.

Quarterbacks can step up into the pocket to buy the split-second needed to release a pass when sensing edge pressure, but there's no stepping up against Donald, which means we might see a lot of the agile Trubisky fleeing the pocket.

Witzmann struggled against the Giants and he has been uneven since replacing Kyle Long, who started the only previous time the Bears faced Donald — in 2015, a 37-13 victory for the Bears on a day when Donald had 1 1/2 sacks. Witzmann will be put in positions to block Donald too.

Right tackle Bobby Massie said Phillips tries to create situations where his linemen are getting one-on-one blocks across the board by at least occupying the attention of each lineman. Whitehair can help if he's uncovered, but the Rams will also get in five-man fronts, which ensures solo blocks across the board.

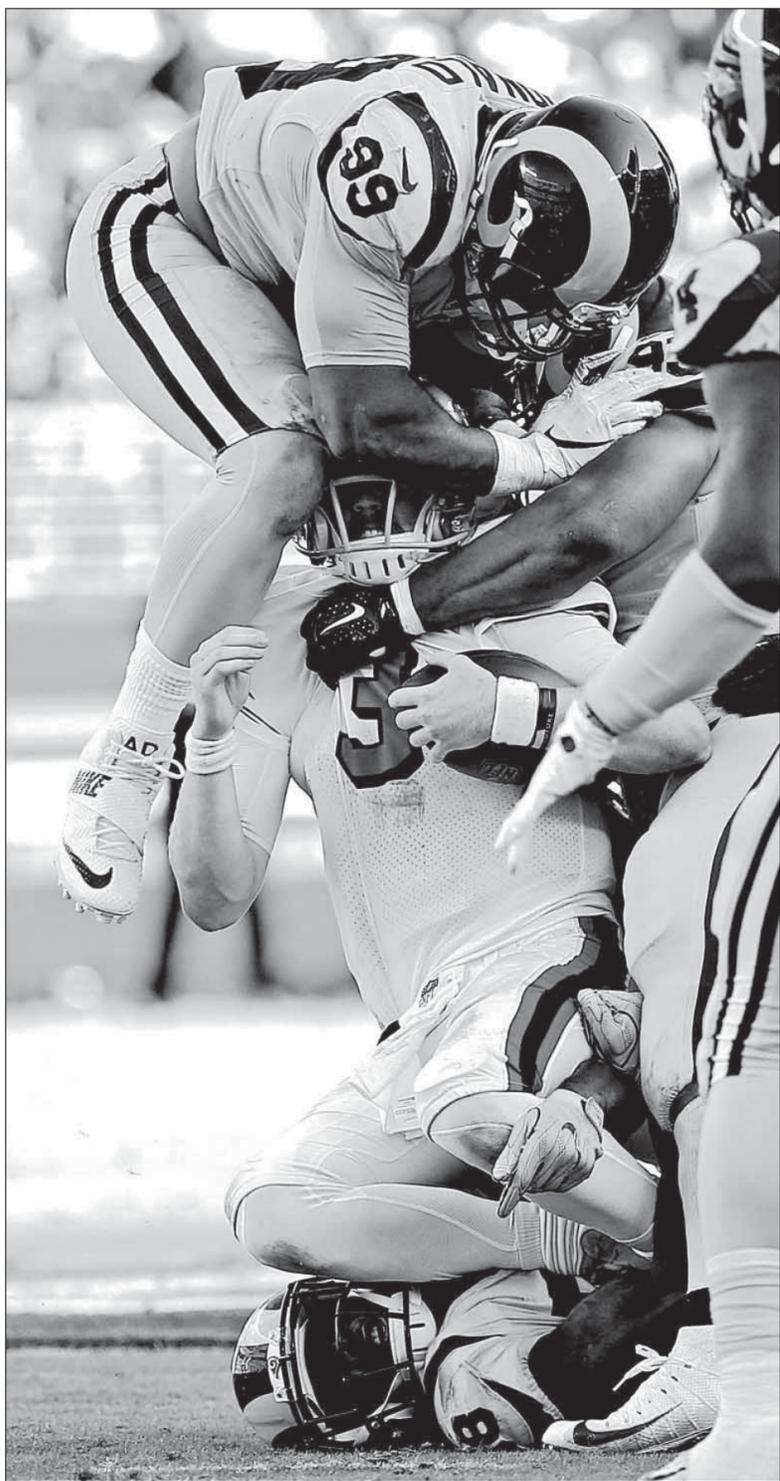
"It's not the first time we have played a good defense," Massie said. "Everybody is going to have to be on their stuff. You just have to get your hands on Donald."

"I'm not taking nothing away from him, but he's not God. He's been blocked before. He can be blocked. He's a damn good player. He's an animal, and from the three-technique? He's a dog. You've just got to get your hands on him and block him. That's what needs to happen."

Nagy was asked if he could provide help to Witzmann (and presumably Daniels) to keep Donald out of Trubisky's lap.

"Well ... I'm going to just keep that to me," Nagy said, chuckling. "It's a good question, though."

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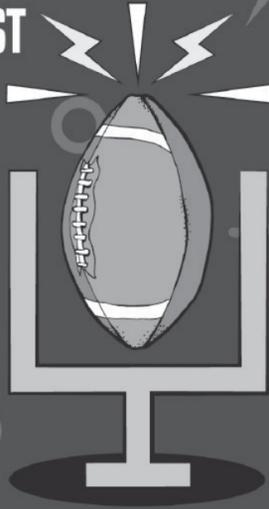
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Bears coach Matt Nagy calls the Rams' Aaron Donald "a game-changer times three."

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Bears linebacker Roquan Smith stares into the Seahawks' backfield to see what play is developing in the Sept. 17 game at Soldier Field.

BEARS NOTES

Smith faces a crucial exam

Rookie will be tested by Rams' play-action passing prowess

By RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

Rookie linebacker Roquan Smith's growth in pass defense will be tested by the Rams on Sunday, particularly by play-action passes.

Rams coach Sean McVay runs a passing game rooted in play-action. It's especially effective because they have the NFL's best all-around running back, Todd Gurley, who's a legitimate threat to break a big run every time he touches the ball.

To exploit how that running game manipulates the defense, the Rams use play-action on 37 percent of their passes, most in the NFL, according to Football Outsiders. Their 9.5 yards per play-action pass ranks fourth.

That will test Smith's ability to read keys that give away run or pass, such as the height of an offensive lineman's helmet after the snap. Is it high to signify a pass set? Or low to indicate a run block?

Through three quarters of his first season, inside linebackers coach Glenn Pires is hammering into him the importance of recognizing formations.

"With formations come concepts," Pires said. "Being able to do that before the snap, that's a big, big thing with him now. What are they presenting before the snap? What are those concepts that we've seen?"

Smith's awareness in pass coverage has not always been sharp as he learns the intricacies and tendencies of NFL offenses.

The Rams, then, will likely target him. Their bootleg game with quarterback Jared Goff is particularly potent.

"Every week is a new challenge for him," Pires said. "It's a new route. It's a new concept. It's like, 'Oh, we haven't seen that before.' So that's something we've got to keep hitting home with — getting his foundation and his fundamentals.

"You've got to rely on your fundamentals to defend something maybe you haven't practice or we haven't seen. That's where his computer is getting loaded and loaded. He's got a lot of room and space to get that thing loaded because he's young."

Familiar feared face: As Mitch Trubisky scans the Rams secondary Sunday, he'll see a player of whom coach Matt Nagy has intimate knowledge: cornerback Marcus Peters.

Peters had a whopping 19 interceptions

for the Chiefs from 2015-17 while Nagy was on the team's offensive coaching staff. He excelled in zone coverage.

From going against Peters in training camp, Nagy came to appreciate his savvy.

"He's great at seeing tendencies," Nagy said. "He's great at being able to react. He has unbelievable ball skills, and he's confident."

Peters has two interceptions this year, one of which he returned for a touchdown against the Raiders in the season opener. Now that cornerback Aqib Talib (ankle) returned to the Rams last Sunday after an eight-game absence, Peters doesn't always have to match up against the opponent's best receiver.

Injury report: Safety Deon Bush (hamstring) did not practice. Running back Benny Cunningham (ankle) and cornerback Sherrick McManis (hamstring) returned to practice after missing Sunday's game against the Giants. They were limited. Trubisky (right shoulder) fully participated, as did defensive lineman Akiem Hicks, who missed two practices last week with an Achilles problem

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NFL NOTES

Broncos' Sanders done for the year

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Although the schedule gets easier for the Broncos this month, the degree of difficulty in reaching the playoffs keeps going up.

The Broncos (6-6) lost leading wide receiver Emmanuel Sanders for the rest of the season after he suffered a torn left Achilles tendon during a non-contact drill at the beginning of practice Wednesday.

The Broncos quickly claimed receiver Andre Holmes off waivers from the Bills, giving them a seventh-year veteran to go with their four remaining receivers, all of whom made their debuts this season.

Sanders, who led the team with 71 catches for 868 yards and four touchdowns in a bounce-back year, was injured on a routine route. He sensed the gravity of the injury as he crumbled to the ground, tearing off his helmet and rolling it away as teammates and trainers rushed toward him.

"It didn't look good," coach Vance Joseph said.

Union backs ref: The NFL Referees Association is questioning why the league isn't focusing more attention on Bills defensive end Jerry Hughes for threatening umpire Roy Ellison following Sunday's game in Miami.

Ellison was placed on administrative leave while the league investigates Hughes' accusation that Ellison called him a vulgar name during the game.

The union said it expects the investigation to clear Ellison while turning the focus on Hughes.

Extra points: S Landon Collins, the Giants' leading tackler, will miss the rest of the season with a shoulder injury that requires surgery. ... The Rams will pay \$24 million to personal seat license holders in St. Louis who filed a class-action lawsuit after the team moved to Los Angeles. The settlement notice was filed in federal court last week.

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D15	New Mexico	Albuquerque	N. Texas (9-3) vs. Utah St (10-2)	2	
D15	Las Vegas	Vegas	Fresno St (11-2) vs. Ariz. St (7-5)	2:30	
D15	Camellia	Montgomery, Ala.	Ga. So. (9-3) vs. E. Michigan (7-5)	4:30	
D15	New Orleans	New Orleans	MTSU (8-3) vs. Appalachian St (10-2)	8	
D18	Boca Raton	Boca Raton, Fla.	UAB (10-3) vs. North Illinois (8-5)	8	
D19	Frisco	Frisco, Tex.	San Diego St (7-5) vs. Ohio (8-4)	7	
D20	Gasparilla	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Marshall (8-4) vs. USF (7-5)	7	
D21	Bahamas	Nassau	Toronto (7-5) vs. FIU (8-4)	11:30*	
D22	Idaho Potato	Boise	W. Michigan (7-5) vs. BYU (6-6)	3	
D22	Birmingham	Birmingham, Ala.	Memphis (8-5) vs. Wake Forest (6-6)	11*	
D22	Armed Forces	Fort Worth, Tex.	Houston (8-4) vs. Army (9-2)	2	
D22	Dollar General	Mobile, Ala.	Buffalo (10-3) vs. Troy (9-3)	9:30	
D22	Hawaii	Honolulu	La Tech (7-5) vs. Hawaii (8-5)	2:30	
D26	SERVPRO	Dallas	Boston Coll. (7-5) vs. Boise St (10-3)	12:30	
D26	Quick Lane	Detroit	Minnesota (6-6) vs. Ga. Tech (7-5)	4:15	
D26	Cheez-It	Phoenix	California (7-5) vs. TCU (6-6)	4	
D27	Independence	Tempe, Ariz.	LSU (9-3) vs. UCF (12-0)	12:30	
D27	Munster	Bronx, N.Y.	Miami (7-5) vs. Wisconsin (7-5)	4:15	
D27	Texas	Houston	Baylor (6-6) vs. Vanderbilt (6-6)	8	
D28	Musky City	Nashville	Purdue (6-6) vs. Auburn (7-5)	12:30	
D28	Camping World	Orlando	W. Virginia (8-3) vs. Syracuse (9-3)	4:15	
D28	Alamo	San Antonio	Iowa St (8-4) vs. Wash. St (10-2)	8	
D29	Peach	Atlanta	Florida (9-3) vs. Michigan (10-2)	11*	
D29	Belk	Charlotte, N.C.	S. Carolina (7-5) vs. Virginia (9-5)	11*	
D29	Arizona	Tucson, Ariz.	Ark. St (8-4) vs. Nevada (7-5)	12:15	
D29	Cotton	Arlington, Tex.	Notre Dame (12-0) vs. Clemson (13-0)	3	
D29	Orange	Miami Gar., Fla.	Oklahoma (12-1) vs. Alabama (10-4)	7	
D31	Military	Annapolis, Md.	Cincinnati (10-2) vs. Va. Tech (6-6)	11*	
D31	Sun	El Paso, Tex.	Stanford (8-4) vs. Pittsburgh (7-6)	1	
D31	Redbox	Santa Clara, Calif.	Michigan St (7-5) vs. Oregon (8-4)	2	
D31	Liberty	Memphis, Tenn.	Missouri (8-4) vs. Oklahoma St (6-6)	2:45	
D31	Holiday	San Diego	Northwestern (8-5) vs. Utah (9-4)	6:30	
D31	Gator	Jacksonville, Fla.	NC St (9-3) vs. Texas A&M (8-4)	6:30	
J1	Outback	Tampa, Fla.	Mississippi St (8-4) vs. Iowa (8-4)	11*	
J1	Citrus	Orlando	Kentucky (9-3) vs. Penn St (9-3)	noon	
J1	Fiesta	Glendale, Ariz.	LSU (9-3) vs. UCF (12-0)	noon	
J1	Rose	Padensina, Calif.	Wash. (10-3) vs. Ohio St (12-1)	1	
J1	Sugar	New Orleans	Texas (9-4) vs. Georgia (11-2)	7:45	
J7	CFP Final	Santa Clara, Calif.	Cotton vs. Orange winners	7	

OTHER BOWLS

J19	Shrine	St. Petersburg, Fla.	East vs. West	2
J19	Collegiate	Pasadena, Calif.	American vs. National	TBA
J26	Senior	Mobile, Ala.	North vs. South	1:30

FCS PLAYOFFS

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	South Dakota State (9-2) at Kennesaw State (11-1), 1
	UC Davis (10-2) at Eastern Washington (10-2), 3

DIV. II PLAYOFFS

SATURDAY'S SEMIFINALS	Notre Dame (Ohio) (13-0) at Valdosta State (12-0), 11*
	Ferris State (14-0) at Minnesota State-Mankato (13-0), 2

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POS	NAME	SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN
QB	Rondale Moore	Purdue	5-9	175	Fr.	New Albany, Indiana
WR	Tyler Johnson	Minnesota	6-2	200	Jr.	Minneapolis, Minn.
T	Isaiah Prince	Ohio State	6-7	310	Sr.	Greenbelt, Maryland
OT	Ron Runyan	Michigan	6-5	310	Sr.	Moon Twp., New Jersey
G	Michael Dieter	Wisconsin	6-6	310	Sr.	Curtice, Ohio
C	Beau Benzschawel	Wisconsin	6-6	315	Sr.	Grafton, Wisconsin
CB	Cyler Biazdas	Wisconsin	6-3	219	So.	Amerfest, Wisconsin
S	T.J. Hockenson	Iowa	6-5	250	So.	Charon, Iowa
QB	Dwayne Haskins Jr.	Ohio State	6-3	214	So.	Potomac, Maryland
WR	Jonathan Taylor	Wisconsin	5-11	221	So.	Salem, New Jersey
RB	Karan Higdon	Michigan	5-10	202	Sr.	Sarasota, Florida
PK	Chase McLaughlin	Illinois	6-1	190	Sr.	Cypress, Texas
All-Purpose	Rondale Moore	Purdue	5-9	175	Fr.	New Albany, Indiana
Defense						
DE	Kenny Wilkies	Michigan State	6-4	260	Jr.	Rockford, Michigan
DE	Chase Winovich	Michigan	6-3	255	Sr.	Jefferson Hills, Pennsylvania
DT	Raquean Williams	Michigan State	6-4	310	Jr.	Chicago
DT	Dre'Mont Jones	Ohio State	6-3	290	Jr.	Jefferson Hills, Pa.
LB	Devin Bush	Michigan	5-11	233	Jr.	Pembroke Pines, Florida
LB	Paddy Fisher	Northwestern	6-4	241	So.	Katy, Texas
LB	T.J. Edwards	Wisconsin	6-1	242	Sr.	Lake Villa, Illinois
CB	Amari Odeyemi	Penn State	6-1	203	Sr.	Tampa, Florida
CB	Lavert Hill	Michigan	5-11	181	Jr.	Detroit
S	Josh Metellus	Michigan	6-0	204	Jr.	Pembroke Pines, Florida
S	Amari Hooker	Wisconsin	6-1	242	Sr.	Lake Villa, Ill.
P	Will Hart	Michigan	6-3	192	Jr.	Hunting Valley, Ohio

SECOND TEAM

WR	Stanley Morgan Jr.	Nebraska	6-1	195	Sr.	New Orleans
WR	Paris Campbell	Ohio State	6-1	208	Sr.	Akron, Ohio
TE	Daniel Edwards	Wisconsin	6-7	315	Jr.	Browners Grove, Illinois
T	Alaric Jackson	Iowa	6-7	320	So.	Detroit
G	Ross Reynolds	Iowa	6-4	295	Sr.	Waukegan, Iowa
G	Ben Bredeson	Michigan	6-5	320	Jr.	Hartland, Michigan
C	Michael Jordan	Ohio State	6-7	310	Jr.	Canton, Michigan
TE	Noah Fant	Iowa	6-5	241	Jr.	Omaha, Nebraska
QB	Trace McSorley	Penn State	6-0	201	Sr.	Ashburn, Virginia
RB	Miles Sanders	Penn State	5-11	215	Jr.	Pittsburgh
RB	Anthony McFarland	Maryland	5-8	193	Fr.	Hyattsville, Maryland
PK	Matt Coughlin	Michigan State	5-9	190	So.	Cincinnati
All-Purpose	Ihmir Smith-Marsette	Iowa	6-1	175	So.	Newark, New Jersey
Defense						
DE	A.J. Epenesa	Iowa	6-5	277	So.	Glen Carbon, Illinois
DE	Rashan Gary	Michigan	6-5	283	Jr.	Plainfield, New Jersey
DE	Carter Coughlin	Minnesota	6-4	245	Jr.	Eden Prairie, Minnesota
DT	Breton Windsor	Penn State	6-4	295	Jr.	Ford Du Lac, Wisconsin
DT	Travis Watson	Maryland	6-2	296	Sr.	Tampa, Florida
LB	Blake Cashman	Michigan State	6-2	238	Jr.	Brook Park, Ohio
LB	Blake Cashman	Minnesota	6-2	235	Sr.	Eden Prairie, Minnesota
CB	Darrell Long	Michigan	5-11	198	Jr.	Los Angeles
CB	Justin Layne	Michigan State	6-3	185	Jr.	Cleveland
CB	Namell Savage	Michigan State	6-2	200	Jr.	Newark, Delaware
S	Jordan Fuller	Ohio State	6-2	204	Jr.	Old Tappan, New Jersey
P	Drue Chrisman	Ohio State	6-3	215	So.	Lawrenceburg, Indiana

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Offensive Player of the Year: Dwayne Haskins Jr., Ohio State, 6-3, 214, So., Potomac, Maryland.

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Defensive Player of the Year: Devin Bush, Michigan, 5-11, 233, Jr., Pembroke Pines, Florida.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Coach of the Year: Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern.
Newcomer of the Year: Rondale Moore, Purdue, 5-9, 175, Fr., New Albany, Indiana.

UNANIMOUS SELECTION

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL						
WOMAN'S NBA						
Los Angeles	Named Derek Fisher coach.					
FOOTBALL						
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE						
Arizona	Placed O.D.J. Humphries on injured reserve. Signed Ol Joe Bakardale. Signed Ol Reese Odhiambo from the Indianapolis practice squad.					
Carolina	Placed TE Greg Olsen on injured reserve. Signed WR Mose Frazier from the practice squad.					
Cincinnati	Placed WR A.J. Green on injured reserve. Activated CB Davontae Harris from injured reserve.					
Cleveland	Signed RB Mason Gentry and WR Daniel Williams to the practice squad. Promoted Ol Kyle Kalis from the practice squad. Placed DL Daniel Ekaule the reserve/suspended by commissioner.					
Detroit	Placed LB Jalan Reaves-Maybin on injured reserve. Promoted DE Eric Lee from the practice squad.					
Green Bay	Claimed DL Fadol Brown off waivers from Oakland and CB Natrell Jamerson off waivers from Houston. Placed RB Tra Carson and CB Kevin King on injured reserve.					
Indianapolis	Signed OT De'ondre Wesley to the practice squad.					

AHL

WESTERN CONFERENCE	CENTRAL	W	L	OL	SOL	PT	GF	GA	FA
Iowa	13	4	2	32	81	69			
Milwaukee	14	8	3	21	69	67			
G. Rapids	14	7	0	20	77	80			
WOLVES	11	9	2	15	87	71			
Rockford	10	9	1	25	56	73			
Texas	11	9	1	24	87	73			
Manitoba	10	12	1	0	21	58	76		
San Antonio	9	15	1	0	19	57	77		
2 pts for a win, 1 point for an OT/shootout loss.									

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

OHIO STATE 77, ILLINOIS 67

Illini not big draw

Once again Illinois' UC visit fails to get city's hoops fans very excited



SHANNON RYAN
On Illinois

During a timeout with 35 seconds left in Wednesday night's game, Illinois coach Brad Underwood grew increasingly red while chewing out an official. He joined the team huddle only to return on the other side to scream a few more choice

words toward the ref.

"I'm a fighter," Underwood said afterward. "I'm going to be passionate."

If only Illini fans in Chicago were as passionate as Underwood.

Illinois failed to close out another close game with a second-half lead, falling 77-67 to No. 19 Ohio State in front of a sparse crowd of 5,285 at the United Center.

Last season only 5,695 showed up at the UC for a game against New Mexico State in the Illini's annual Chicago showcase. In 2015, a crowd of 5,151 watched them beat Illinois-Chicago.

Wednesday's loss was Illinois' second in a row at the UC. The Illini have dropped six of 10 regular-season games at the Bulls arena since 2010.

"We love Chicago," Underwood said. "It is our home away from home. If there's anything, we're so blessed that the State Farm Center (in Champaign) is a beautiful arena, a beautiful home court. If I had my druthers, we'd play every single game there, (but) we're proud to be up here."

So what can Illinois do to make its Chicago game more attractive to its alumni base here?

"Probably people other than me need to answer that," Underwood said. "If we were 8-0 maybe? Ohio State is one of the elite (Big Ten) opponents. It's not for the name of the opponent. We'll control what we can control. When it's time to play in the United Center, we'll be here."

Tickets seem too expensive. Advertising seems sparse. And Underwood is right: A winning season would be a draw.

Until then, maybe Illinois should hold off on this annual trip until the team is humming again. Underwood said he sees that day coming.

"When it hits, when it turns, it's going to be really, really special," he said.

That seems as if it's coming later rather than sooner, though.

The Illini (2-7, 0-2 Big Ten) allowed a six-point second-half lead to slip away to the Buckeyes (8-1, 2-0) by shooting 27.3 percent after halftime. For the game, Illinois made only 9 of 22 layups.

Underwood was particularly heated after a questionable foul call on Trent Frazier, his fifth with less than a minute remaining. Frazier also was called for a particularly laughable charge in the first half.

Underwood was considerably calmer after the game, joking with reporters about not drawing a fine from the Big Ten for criticizing officials.

"I thought they were great officials on the court," Underwood said with a note of sarcasm and a smirk. "That's the best we've had. I loved every one of them and every call they made."

"My wife is standing back there," he said, nodding to the back of the room. "Just \$10,000' to her is a lot of money."

Frazier, who scored 18 points to match Kipper Nichols as the only Illini in double figures, had left the game with 1:19 left after falling hard on his tailbone. Teammates huddled around him and Underwood checked on him under the hoop. Frazier struggled to walk off the court, but after a quick trip to the locker room, he returned and checked into the game.

"I saw the look on his face," Underwood said. "That's a terrible, terrible feeling. I imagine he's sore. But it brought a smile to my face to see him come back out."

The Illini fans at the United Center cheered heartily for him. And they booed lustily when Frazier fouled out on the disputed call.

There just weren't enough of them.

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Illinois forward Kipper Nichols goes up for two points against Ohio State, top, but he and his Illini teammates walked away 77-67 losers Wednesday night at the United Center.



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Michigan coach John Beilein instructs freshman Ignas Brazdeikis during Tuesday night's game against Northwestern in Evanston.

Making a name for himself

Michigan's Brazdeikis draws notice in freshman season



TEDDY GREENSTEIN
On college basketball

You will want to remember the name. Trust me.

Or take Northwestern coach Chris Collins' word for it: "He is a great player. He's a warrior, he's tough, he makes shots, he gets to the basket, he competes. He is a

really fun guy to watch."

He is Michigan freshman Ignas Brazdeikis.

It is pronounced IG-ness brahz-DAY-kiss. If you want a shortcut, just go with his Twitter handle: @iggy_braz.

He is 6-foot-7, 220 pounds, a natural right-hander who shoots left. He is the top scorer for the Big Ten's top-ranked team. He dropped 23 points on Northwestern on Tuesday night, and the No. 5 Wolverines needed just about every one in their 62-60 win.

"I'm really happy," Michigan coach John Beilein said, "to sneak out of here with a victory."

Brazdeikis was polished in postgame interviews after signing autographs outside the visitors locker room at the new Welsh-Ryan Arena.

"I absolutely love environments like this," he said. "It was really hostile out there. (Northwestern) punched us in the face and we got knocked down, but this game brought us together and showed us how tough we are."

Brazdeikis, who turns 20 next month, was born in Lithuania. At 2 his parents emigrated to Chicago (Brookfield, specifically). After three years they moved to Canada, eventually settling in the Toronto suburb of Oakville, Ontario.

He developed into a top-40 recruit and picked Michigan over Vanderbilt and Cincinnati.

"We saw him and we loved him, but I know the schools he had going," Collins said. "Michigan has had great success in Canada with (Nik) Stauskas, and (Brazdeikis) fits very well with what they do."

There are about a dozen Canadians in the NBA, including Stauskas, now with the Trail Blazers.

"I started off being the biggest Kobe Bryant fan in the world," Brazdeikis said. "I love his game, love his intensity. Then I started to love Carmelo (Anthony). I feel like me and him have some similar attributes. And then I transitioned more to James Harden because we're both lefties and we like to be creative with the ball."

Brazdeikis beats defenders in a variety of ways: He hit a step-back 3 on NU freshman Miller Kopp. He faded away from the long arms of Vic Law for a baseline jumper. He took Kopp to the rack, finishing with his right hand.

Brazdeikis is averaging 17 points and shooting 54.2 percent, 44.4 percent on 3-pointers — exceptional percentages for a first-year player. He went 9-for-18 on Tuesday, hitting 3 of 6 from deep.

"I'm a confident and aggressive player," he said. "I don't shy away from these moments."

Said Beilein: "He gives us buckets when we can't get one."

A coach being a coach, Beilein added: "He is still learning to play the game. He makes such obvious freshman mistakes sometimes."

Beilein was referring mainly to defense, knowing when to switch off screens.

Brazdeikis also erred on Michigan's final possession Tuesday. He got the ball with four on the shot clock and had a chance to shoot a short, contested jumper. Instead he passed, resulting in a shot-clock violation.

But after the Wolverines denied Northwestern on its final possession, they walked off with a 9-0 record. Only Gonzaga, Kansas, Duke and Virginia are ranked higher.

How far can this team go?

"We can go all the way," Brazdeikis said. "We can win the whole damn thing, no doubt."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL NOTES

Ferguson, Blount carry UIC past Illinois State

Associated Press

Tarkus Ferguson had a triple-double and Jordan Blount scored a career-high 27 points to help Illinois-Chicago beat Illinois State 94-75 on Wednesday night at Credit Union 1 Arena.

Ferguson, who was just 4-of-16 shooting, had 14 points, 12 rebounds and 11 assists. Godwin Boahen, the only other player in program history with a triple-double, hit a career-best six 3-pointers on as many attempts and finished with 22 points for UIC (4-5).

Illinois State (6-4) trailed by 11 at halftime but opened the second half with a 14-4 run, including 13 points by Milik Yarbrough. However, the Flames scored 18 of the next 21 points to make it 76-60 with 10 minutes left and led by double digits the rest of the way.

Yarbrough tied his career-high with 30 points for Illinois State. Josh Jefferson scored 16, including four 3s.

Ball State 75, Loyola 69: K.J. Walton scored 22 points and the Cardinals held off the Ramblers for their fifth straight win.

Walton made 11 of 14 field goals. Tahjai Teague added 14 points, and Tayler Persons and Zach Gunn chipped in 12 apiece for Ball State (6-3), which shot 57 percent (28 of 49) from the floor.

Cameron Krutwig scored 19 points and Marques Townes had 14 points, 10 rebounds and six assists for Loyola (5-4), which has lost three of its last four games.

NCAA probe will take a while: NCAA President Mark Emmert said Wednesday that new rules allowing the use of information from legal proceedings will help in the investigation of college basketball corruption, though he cautioned that the inquiry is unlikely to be done before the men's tournament begins in March.

The first federal trial in the case in October resulted in the conviction of three men for wire fraud after testimony that

implicated several schools, including Louisville, Arizona and Kansas, of being involved in payments to high school players. The trial was held in New York.

"There's been some confusion where some people have said the Southern District has now given you a green light to race forth and engage and that's a bit of a simplification to say the least," Emmert said during an interview in New York.

Emmert didn't attend the trial but said the NCAA had representatives in the courtroom.

KU's Azubuike hurting: Kansas junior center Udoka Azubuike rolled his ankle during the second-ranked Jayhawks' 72-47 win over Wofford on Tuesday night and will be out indefinitely.

X-rays were negative, but coach Bill Self said Azubuike was "day to day." Self hoped to have the 7-footer back "before Christmas time."

Marcus Garrett will start for Azubuike.

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MATT ROURKE/AP

FILE Navy Midshipmen in formation on the field in Philadelphia with Army Cadets above in the stands before the annual Army-Navy football game in 2006.

A moving experience

For columnist John Feinstein, Army-Navy game unlike anything else in sports

BY JOHN FEINSTEIN

The Washington Post

At about 6:30 on Saturday evening I will be standing on the field at Lincoln Financial Field while the Army and Navy almas are being played.

I have no idea who will sing second, as the winners always do, but I know one thing for certain.

As the last notes die out, my wife — who watches exactly one football game a year — will send me a text.

It will say, “Are you crying yet?” And I know exactly what my answer will be: “Absolutely.”

It doesn't matter who wins the game; when they play the almas, I cry. For 14 years, when I was the color commentator on the Navy radio network, I would tell Bob Succi, who did play-by-play, “When the almas end, don't ask me a question right away. I'm going to need a minute.”

I've been fortunate enough to cover most major sporting events in my lifetime and lots of not-so-major ones too. None of them affects me the way Army-Navy affects me.

I didn't graduate from either school. I never served in the military (although my father served overseas in the Army during World War II) but both schools are very much a part of my life. In 1995, when I was researching the book I wrote on the rivalry, I had the privilege of being in both locker rooms before, during and after the game. I believe I might be the only person who was not president of the United States at the time to do that.

But that's not why Army-Navy is the one and only annual sporting event I never miss. Without doubt, some of it is about the traditions: the “March On” of the cadets and the midshipmen hours before the game; the pregame exchange of “prisoners” — the handful of cadets spending the semester at Navy and their counterparts from Navy who have been at Army being “returned” to their classmates; the snapping of 8,000 hands to salute position at the start of the national anthem.

And, finally, the playing of the almas.

There is no moment like that anywhere else in college sports. Players and coaches from both teams stand at attention during the other team's alma mater. There are no exceptions.

Last year, during the playing of “Navy Blue and Gold,” the hauntingly beautiful alma mater, an Army plebe named Camden Harrison had forgotten to remove the ski hat he had been wearing in the day-long snowfall.

Standing behind him, Army



ELSA/GETTY

Simone Askew, foreground, first captain of the Corps of Cadets, leads chant after the March On before last year's Army-Navy game in Philadelphia. Askew is the first African-American woman to hold the highest student position at West Point.

strength coach Scott Swanson tapped him on the shoulder and pointed at the hat. Harrison understood instantly and whipped it off.

Why do those few moments bring me to tears every year without fail?

Because I understand — as do so many who are similarly moved — that as much as the players desperately want to beat each other on the football field, they recognize that in a much larger sense, they're all on the same side.

Only a cadet can have some understanding of what it's like to be a midshipman and only a midshipman can understand what it's like to be a cadet. Each will claim, of course, that their school is tougher or better but they all know that, in the end, all 8,000 of them are the same.

Maybe that's why I choke up just a little at the start of the anthem at Army-Navy. As those 8,000 hands go to salute position I remember something Jim Cantelupo, who was the defensive captain of that 1995 Army team said to me back in 2003 when Kevin Norman, his senior roommate, was killed overseas.

When he called to tell me Kevin had been killed, I said something

about Kevin dying a hero because he had died fighting for his country.

“Kevin was a hero,” Jim said, “because he was willing to die for his country.”

That's why the 8,000 salutes get to me: Every one of those men and women have volunteered to die for the rest of us if need be. And that's why my wife knows the answer she'll get when she texts at the conclusion of the almas: Seeing those kids — and to me they're all kids at that moment — and knowing what they're going to do when they graduate, always gets to me.

That's the ultimate reason Army-Navy is so special: The young men who play in the game and their classmates who march into the stadium and watch the game. Do a handful of them get into trouble or fail at times? Sure, just like kids from every school and every walk of life.

But the vast majority will not only go on to serve when they graduate, they will do important things regardless of whether they stay in the Army, Navy or Marines.

There are so many stories I can tell about the players I've had the chance to know. Many are about who they have become away from

the football field.

But one purely football memory stands out. In 2012, Army was trying to break a 10-game losing streak in the series. Trailing 17-13, the Black Knights drove to a first down at the Navy 14-yard-line with 1:04 left in the game.

Quarterback Trent Steelman turned to hand off to fullback Larry Dixon. The exchange was never completed. The ball dropped to the ground and Navy recovered. Game over; the streak swelled to 14 straight Navy wins before Army finally won again in 2016.

When the game ended, almost the entire Navy team went to console Steelman, who had been a four-year starter and had just played his last game.

“It was my fault,” Steelman told members of the media a few minutes later. “I just didn't get the ball into Larry's stomach the way I needed to. That was my job. I didn't do it.”

Almost a year later, I talked to Dixon about that play. “Trent took the bullet for me, it was my fault,” Dixon said. “Not 50-50 or 75-25, it was 100 percent my fault.”

When I started to argue, pointing out that Steelman had insisted it was his fault, Dixon grew

animated.

“Listen to me,” he said. “I'll show you the play again if I have to. Trent was the senior, the captain, our leader, so he took the blame. He was the big brother covering up for the little brother.”

“I put on some weight during the fall. I wasn't in perfect shape. We were out there a long time (11 plays). I probably should have taken myself out, but no way I was doing that. On the last play, because I was tired, my first step wasn't straight forward, it was a tiny bit to the right. When Trent turned, I was that much too far from him and the ball went into my side, not my belly. That was my fault, not his. He did his job. I didn't do mine.”

To me, that was the ultimate example of the answer plebes at both academies must give when asked to explain a mistake: “No excuse, sir.”

No one who plays in the Army-Navy game makes excuses — not on the football field, not on the battlefield. And every cadet and every midshipman in that stadium is a hero.

If that sounds corny, fine. It's also true. And it's why, when they play the almas on Saturday, I won't be the only one crying.

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MARK J. TERRILL/AP

The Diamondbacks' big trade of slugger Paul Goldschmidt to the Cardinals on Wednesday may begin an exodus of veteran players from the desert.

Players have concerns on rebuilds, attendance drop

BY RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Baseball players are concerned the Seattle Mariners have become yet another rebuilding team and may be joined by others following a season of steep attendance drops among clubs that faded early and never contended for the playoffs.

Union head Tony Clark and new collective bargaining director Bruce Meyer said Wednesday their members also are concerned about rapid change in the way games are played, such as the increased use of relief pitchers, and are willing to speak with management this offseason about whether counteracting changes are needed.

Altering the amateur draft to include an NBA-style lottery for the top picks, the 10-day disabled list and the 10-day minimum for the recall of players optioned to the minors are among the topics the union is prepared to talk about as part of a wider discussion. So are possible rules to counter offense-suffocating defensive shifts.

And the union maintains its agreement is necessary for any changes in anti-gambling rules in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision that allows more widespread legal betting.

But Seattle's decision to trade Robinson Cano, James Paxton, Jean Segura and Edwin Diaz raised concern among players already angered by Baltimore, the Chicago White Sox, Cincinnati, Detroit, Kansas City, Miami and Pittsburgh jettisoning veterans.

"We have seen some things that are eerily similar to last offseason," Clark said. "One of the concerns in general has to do with the level of competition or interest in competition across the teams in general. When you have teams who are as we've seen already moving considerable amounts of their roster and/or other teams who are talking about doing so, it raises concerns about how that's going to affect the market."

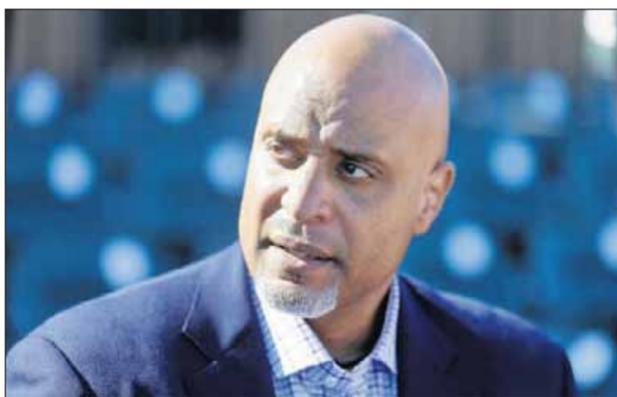
Hours after Clark spoke, Arizona dealt All-Star first baseman Paul Goldschmidt to St. Louis for prospects, perhaps signaling an exodus of veterans from the desert.

Players have taken to calling the process tanking, while management calls it the type of normal rebuilding that has been going on throughout Major League Base-



RICHARD DREW/AP

The Mets acquired Robinson Cano and Edwin Diaz in a recent seven-player deal with the retooling Mariners.



CARLOS OSORIO/AP

Players union executive director Tony Clark has a number of concerns about current trends in baseball, including competitiveness.

ball's history. There were three 100-loss teams this year for the second time since 1985 and eight 95-loss teams for the first time in big league history.

"There are teams that are effectively announcing that the beginning of the year that they're not going to be competitive that year, and in some cases that they're not going to field the best players that they have," said Meyer, who spent two years in a similar role for the NHL Players Association before

switching to baseball in September.

MLB points to data showing 27 percent of teams had 90 or more losses in each of the last three years, a figure that has fluctuated between 20 percent and 33 percent since 2000.

"Last offseason, the union filed a grievance against four clubs that it claimed were not trying to win," said MLB Deputy Commissioner Dan Halem, citing a case against Miami, Oakland, Pittsburgh and

Tampa Bay. "One of those clubs made the playoffs, another club won 90 games and a third club was in contention through the trade deadline. I don't think the players' association has any credibility on opining on how clubs will perform."

Attendance has gotten the attention of both sides. Toronto and Miami each had attendance drops of more than 800,000, Kansas City by over 500,000, and Baltimore, Detroit, Pittsburgh and Texas in excess of 400,000.

Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred attributes part of the drop to unusual weather that led to 54 postponements, the most since 1989, and many more games played in cold. Players see lack of competitiveness as a bigger factor.

"We have teams talking about a three-, four-, five-, six-year plans," Clark said. "We saw how that manifested itself last year and have concerns about how it's going to manifest itself this year."

The union refused last season to agree to management's proposal to install pitch clocks but did not block a new rule limiting mound visits that contributed to a 4½-minute drop in the average time of a nine-inning game to 3 hours, 44 seconds. A wider discus-

sion appears likely to take place this offseason.

Players are concerned about the drop in offense. The big league batting average dropped to its lowest level since 1972 at .248, strikeouts topped hits for the first time and defensive shifts increased by another 30 percent while innings and pitches per starting pitcher dropped again.

"To this point, there truly hasn't been a definitive position taken on the 'shift/no shift' issue from among the player group," Clark said. "But players thus far have been willing to talk about it as part of a much broader conversation."

A lottery for the top draft picks could discourage some teams from rebuilding, which leads to losses, high selections that add top amateurs at relatively low prices and a path to success years later.

"There are a lot of pieces to the conversation. I think the draft is one of them," Clark said.

Altering the disabled list or option recall rules could decrease the supply of fresh arms available to managers each game, which could start to reverse the increased use of relief pitchers. But players have benefited from the 10-day DL, which began in 2017; disabled players accrue major league service time along with their replacements, and that service time is needed to be eligible for salary arbitration and free agency.

"There's an acknowledgment that it may be a part of the conversation based on what we've seen certain teams do over the last couple of years," Clark said. "It has lent itself to more players getting more major league service as a result of that movement."

Players also want to be part of the discussion of betting prohibitions. MGM Resorts International became MLB's official gambling partner last week. MLB and club employees, including players, are prohibited from betting on baseball. MLB is considering updated policies that would prohibit them from causing bets to be made and from distributing confidential information that could impact betting, a person familiar with the discussions told The Associated Press last week. The player spoke on condition of anonymity because the policies were not final.

The union insists change to major league rules need its assent.

"There's a number of conversations that are going to need to be had," Clark said.

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Marco Graf, from left, Yalitza Aparicio, Fernando Gradiaga and Marina De Tavira star in "Roma," written and directed by Alfonso Cuaron.

'ROMA' ★★★★★

Master filmmaker reflects on Mexico City childhood

In a series of ravishingly detailed vignettes, Alfonso Cuaron creates year's most indelible act of cinematic memory

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS | Chicago Tribune

Alfonso Cuaron's new film, "Roma," gives you so much to see in each new vignette, in every individual composition, that a second viewing becomes a pleasurable necessity rather than a filmgoing luxury.

Great, you think. This time of year, I barely have time to see a movie once let alone twice, even with all the infernal quality currently on screens ("The Favourite," "Can You Ever Forgive Me?," "At Eternity's Gate," "Burning," etc.) making demands of my bandwidth. *I'll just plop this one in my Netflix queue.* ("Roma"

streams on Netflix starting Dec. 14.)

The counterargument to that lament is pretty simple: "Roma" rewards your time, beautifully. It moves with implacable assurance, at times nearly losing its characters inside writer-director-cinematographer Cuaron's boggling, fastidiously packed widescreen

frames, photographed digitally in 65 millimeter black and white.

Time will reveal whether it's a masterwork with qualifying asterisks or a masterwork, period. "Roma" casts a spell and re-creates a specific time, place and collection of personal memories in ways that will connect, I suspect, with millions.

The story takes place in 1970 and 1971 in Mexico City, and in other parts of Cuaron's homeland wracked by societal unrest. The unrest inside one particular home, and family, becomes the microcosm for those larger forces. The title refers to the Colonia

MPAA rating: R (for graphic nudity, some disturbing images, and language)

Running time: 2:15

Playing: Now at the Landmark Century Centre Cinema. Streaming on Netflix starting Dec. 14. In Spanish and Mixtec with English subtitles.

Roma district where Cuaron grew up, and he dedicates the picture to the nanny/housekeeper who helped raise him at a particularly wobbly time in the future director's life.

The fictional version of that caregiver, Cleo, is played by newcomer Yalitza Aparicio, a schoolteacher who never acted professionally before "Roma." Her warm, steady presence becomes the flame for the episodic yet magically fluid narrative.

Cleo is of Mixteco Mesoamerican background, one of countless villagers who work for families like the one in "Roma." The children of Cuaron's fictionalized family are secondary; this is a tale of two mother figures, the other matriarch being Sofia (Mar-

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Chicago's African-American design and ingenuity on exhibit

BY STEVE JOHNSON
 Chicago Tribune

Two exhibitions, two looks at 20th century design in Chicago.

One, a well-stuffed assembly of mostly ephemera at the Cultural Center, surveys for the first time the range of design work produced by African-Americans here, some working in big companies, some painting signs on their own, some (Charles White, for instance) using it as a bill-paying way-station en route to a higher-art career.

The other show, a sleeker, more video-centric thing at Northwestern University's Block Museum, explores the legacy of a visionary but little remembered north suburban design firm that pushed the principles of Laszlo Moholy-Nagy and his School of Design here into 1970s television commercials for the likes of Revlon makeup and the Motorola electronics brand Quasar.

You know the Vienna Beef logo, with the frank impaled on a fork outlined in a 'V'? That, too, was the work of Goldsholl Design Associates, of Northfield.

But the two exhibits have at least two things that connect them. Pay attention and you'll see that memorable 7UP logo of the 1970s featured in each, the ingenious one comprised of little lemons and limes, perhaps, that bring to mind carbonation, or stage lights. It was the work of Thomas Miller, an African-American who spent his career



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Designed by Tom Miller, 7UP bottles, cans, and carriers from 1975 are displayed at the Chicago Cultural Center Tuesday.

at Goldsholl.

The other connection, which should not surprise anybody who's been following Chicago visual arts culture this year, is that both were backed by the Terra Foundation's Art Design Chicago program, the yearlong initiative that's produced dozens of exhibits and reams of new research exploring the visual history and influence of the city. (Another ADC-backed look at last century's design, "Modern by Design: Chicago Streamlines America," is currently up at the Chicago History Museum.)

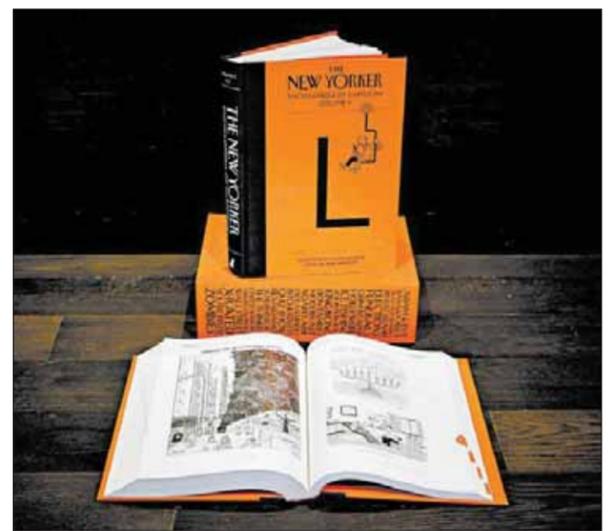
One of the great things about Art Design Chicago is it has turned up such connective tissue as Thomas Miller, said Daniel Schulman, lead curator of "Afr-

ican American Designers in Chicago: Art, Commerce, and the Politics of Race" and the visual art director for the city's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events.

Pulling "African American Designers" together was eye-opening, said Schulman, who specializes in African-American art in Chicago but had not studied design.

Charles White, the revered mid-century painter who had a retrospective up at the Art Institute this summer, "in the 1930s was a sign painter. And I knew he was a sign painter, but I didn't know why that was important," said Schulman.

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KASONDRA VAN TREECK/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

"The New Yorker Encyclopedia of Cartoons" makes for a rich gift.

Big gift books as niche as the people on your list



CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

This is one of those annual stories in which the writer tries to convince you to give books as holiday gifts. And not just any books — pricey, oversized books, light on text, heavy on photos, so narrowly defined that, well, yes, Virginia, there really is a new coffee-table book for your cousin who *seriously* misses old

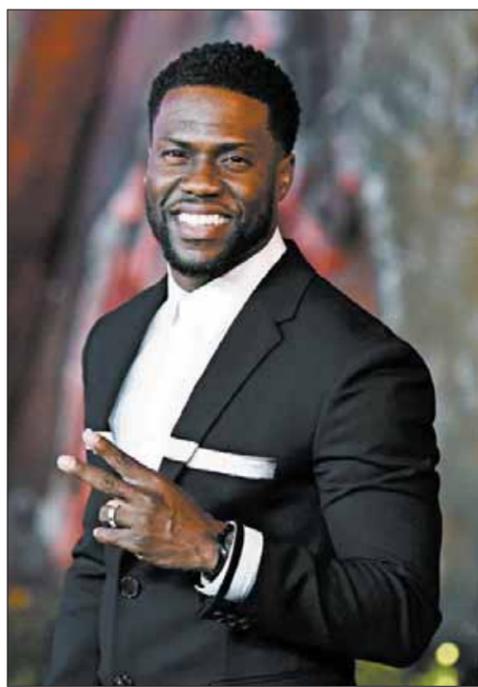
horror-movie ads in newspapers, "Ad Nauseam: Newsprint Nightmares from the 1980s" (\$35, 1984 Publishing). And a new coffee-table book for your dad who won't shut up about someday visiting the 2,500-square-foot mural at Cornell University called the Wall of Birds; "The Wall of Birds" (\$45, Harper) is part contemporary account of that very singular achievement.

Anyway, I stand by my decision to nudge you in the direction of large, costly books.

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Kevin Hart will host the Academy Awards, fulfilling a lifelong dream for the actor-comedian.

Kevin Hart lands gig hosting the Oscars

Kevin Hart has a new job — he will host the 2019 Academy Awards, a role the prolific actor-comedian says fulfills a longtime dream.

Hart announced his selection for the 91st Oscars in an Instagram statement Tuesday. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences followed up with a tweet that welcomed him “to the family.”

The Oscars will be broadcast Feb. 24 on ABC.

“I am blown away simply because this has been a goal on my list for a long time. To be able to join the legendary list of hosts that have graced this stage is unbelievable,” Hart wrote.

“I know my mom is smiling from ear to ear right now. I will be sure to make sure this year’s Oscars are a special one.”

Hart takes over hosting duties from Jimmy Kimmel, who presided over the last two ceremonies, including 2016’s flub that resulted in the wrong best picture winner being announced.

The 39-year-old Hart has become a bankable star with films such as “Ride Along,” “Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle” and “Night School.”

Celebrities including Martin Lawrence and Chris Rock, who hosted the ceremony in 2005 and 2016, posted congratulatory messages about Hart’s selection Tuesday night.

— Associated Press



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION

Cardi B, Offset split: Cardi B is no longer feeling the love after little more than a year of marriage to fellow rapper Offset. She posted a video on Instagram saying that “things just haven’t been working out between us for a long time.” The 26-year-old says “I guess we just grew out of love, but we’re not together anymore.” The couple got married in September 2017 and welcomed a baby girl in July. Cardi B says she and Offset are good friends and business partners.

Springsteen not touring with band in 2019: Bruce Springsteen will not be touring with the E Street Band in 2019. Springsteen on Tuesday posted on Twitter that they hope to be back soon. But The Boss says he wants a break after his “Springsteen on Broadway” show wraps up on Dec. 15 and he’s working on various recording projects. Springsteen says members of the band are out performing with their own projects and deserve support.

Murphy welcomes 10th child: Eddie Murphy just took on the role of dad for the 10th time, as he and his fiancée Paige Butcher welcomed a baby boy named Max Charles Murphy on Friday, a rep for the actor confirmed. “Both mother and son are doing well,” the rep said in a statement. It’s the 57-year-old actor’s second child with Butcher, 32, who he began dating in 2012.

Dec. 6 birthdays: Country singer Helen Cornelius is 77. Actress JoBeth Williams is 70. Actor Tom Hulse is 65. Director Judd Apatow is 51. Bassist Jacob Chesnut is 29.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Should aunt counsel on marriage?

Dear Amy: I am close with my niece, who recently got engaged. Her now-fiance was upfront, saying he didn’t really believe in marriage. She was upfront, too, saying that if he ever wanted to buy a house, her name would not go on a mortgage if they weren’t married. Not that she would break up with him — she would stay, but she would want a lease agreement instead.

Recently, he got serious about buying a house and my niece stuck to her guns — either get married or sign a lease. He proposed.

Now he says his grandparents have to be at the wedding. They are almost 5,000 miles away and too old to fly, so he is insisting they get married where the grandparents live.

Amy, my niece’s father has advanced Parkinson’s disease and can’t travel that far, either. In addition, 98 percent of both of their immediate families are being excluded from the wedding because they can’t afford to get there.

I think he is being passive-aggressive because of my niece’s refusal to take out a mortgage without being married. This business of disenfranchising her family from the wedding is unconscionable. I think he is creating obstacles because he doesn’t want to get married.

My niece has asked me for advice. She really loves him and wants to marry him, but she sees it as a stalemate on the location — I see a reluctant groom. What should I tell her?
— Worried Aunt

Dear Aunt: My perspective about this couple is that they use negotiation,

rather than consensus, to advance their relationship. I don’t think this is hugely uncommon. However, if this is the way they operate, your niece needs to be prepared for future stalemates, especially surrounding large life events. Have they talked about having children, how to share their expenses or future care issues having to do with their parents?

Her fiancé’s choice doesn’t seem to honor her or her family relationships. Unless he can suggest or agree to a compromise, his choice seems hostile.

Fortunately for you, this doesn’t concern you directly. When your niece asks you for advice, you could be both honest and circumspect, and say, “You two seem to see this as a stalemate on the location for your wedding, but I see it as being bigger than that. Have you had your premarital counseling yet?”

Dear Amy: I recently received a postcard from the sheriff’s department stating that a neighbor is a “registered sex offender.”

The notification said his crime was committed 30 years ago and that he failed to register properly when he moved here. It does not state where the original offense occurred.

I’ve been on a neighborly first-name basis with him for several years and he has seemed like a nice enough guy, though I don’t know him well. I don’t feel threatened by him. We waved and exchanged a “Hi” yesterday for the first time since I got the notice. I assume he knows all his neighbors have received it.

I hate to display my ignorance, but what, if

anything, changed with receipt of that postcard?
— Wandering Neighbor

Dear Neighbor: What changed is your knowledge that your neighbor committed a crime against someone 30 years ago.

You can learn as much as is legally allowable by using the sex offender database to search your neighbor’s record. My own research reveals there are different designations and “risk level determinations” assigned to sex offenders.

In my state, a person at the lowest risk level will get their name removed from the database after 20 years. Your neighbor might have committed a more serious offense to still be listed. The database might reveal details of his crime.

The postcard notification is designed to inform people so you may then make your own determination regarding a relationship with this person in your community. After you do some research, the rest is up to you.

Dear Amy: As the survivor of two suicides in my family, I want to thank you for your nuanced response to “Anxious,” the mother who wanted to tell her young daughter about the grandfather’s suicide. I agree that the daughter must (eventually) be told, but this couple absolutely must face this together.
— Grateful

Dear Grateful: Thank you.

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BOOK REVIEW

Inspector Gamache returns in spellbinding 14th mystery

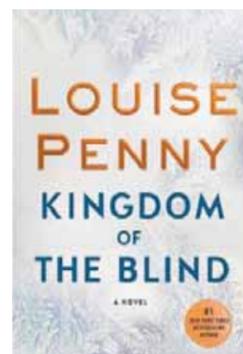
By MAUREEN CORRIGAN
Special to The Washington Post

“Kingdom of the Blind” is the 14th mystery in the Inspector Gamache series — and it’s a spellbinder. But such critical praise hardly matters anymore to this series. By now Penny, deservedly, has built up such a large community of adoring readers that her novels belong to that most rarefied of literary categories: They are review proof.

Like a slightly sinister holiday letter, Penny’s mysteries, which have been coming out annually or more for over a decade, catch readers up on the latest news with Gamache’s unruffled wife, Reine-Marie, his more emotionally vulnerable protegee and son-in-law, Jean-Guy Beauvoir, and his dear friends in Three Pines — particularly the overwhelming fan favorite, that mad, duck-toting poet, Ruth Zardo. Only the late Robert B. Parker’s Spenser series can be said to have generated such an intense level of readerly interest in the detective’s widely assorted clan.

That’s not to belittle the mystery tale here. “Kingdom of the Blind” is yet another outstanding Gamache adventure. In her by-now characteristic fashion, Penny simultaneously unspools several suspense narratives, each of them accruing power and threat, faster and faster, until the novel closes in a crescendo of violence, unmasking and regret.

The eerie opening scene riffs on the classic “dark and stormy night” formula: Penny conjures up a dark and snowy morning when the air is thick with menace. Gamache has just parked outside an old farmhouse in a locale even more isolated than his beloved village of Three



‘Kingdom of the Blind’

By Louise Penny, Minotaur, 400 pages, \$28.99

Pines. Crooked, rotting and evidently abandoned, the farmhouse also seems to be waiting for him. Gamache notices that “one of the upper windows was boarded up, so that it looked like the place was winking at him.” It was, he comments, “as though it knew something he did not.” And, as if the atmosphere alone weren’t macabre enough, the reason Gamache is freezing the pom-poms off on his French Canadian *tuzque* in an approaching blizzard is because he’s been summoned there via letter by a solicitor he knows to be dead.

Gamache turns out to be one of three people invited to that spooky farmhouse (another is Myrna Landers, who runs the bookstore in Three Pines). The late owner, a woman named Bertha Baumgartner, worked as a cleaning lady but was called the Baroness because of her somewhat suspect claim of a connection to European aristocracy. Neither Gamache nor Myrna, nor the third person summoned to the farmhouse (a young construction worker) knew the

Baroness, but her lawyer gives all three the bizarre news that they’ve all been designated as the executors of her will. This possibly delusional document turns out to have the power to kill.

Meanwhile, there are some dirty loose ends dangling from the ragged conclusion of Gamache’s last outing — one that ended in his suspension from the police force Surete du Quebec. In “Glass Houses” Gamache brought down a giant drug cartel, but in order to do so, he deliberately had to allow some lethally potent opioids to slip through the hands of the police. Most of the drugs have been rounded up since then, but one shipment remains out there, prompting Gamache, with scant backup, to venture into the drug-riddled underworld of Montreal.

Gamache’s most trusted ally, Jean-Guy, is oddly absent from this endeavor. He’s fighting off pressure from politicians and slimy superiors at the Surete to betray Gamache by signing a statement that attests to Gamache’s recklessness in allowing the opioids to be dispersed. If Jean-Guy doesn’t cooperate, his own career as a police detective is curtains.

Penny’s moral vision and evident love for her own characters imbue all these situations with emotional depth. “Kingdom of the Blind” is an ingenious mystery that follows a thoughtful group of beloved characters navigating their way through a fallen world. What more could a mystery reader — or any reader — want?

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Alfonso Cuarón's "Roma" is Netflix's best shot yet at a best picture Oscar. Its theatrical release strategy is causing annoyance in Hollywood.

What Netflix's release of 'Roma' says about its business strategy

Industry 'outsider' lures artists with possibility of Oscars as media giants close in on streaming

BY RYAN FAUGHNDER AND JOSH ROTTENBERG
Los Angeles Times

Alfonso Cuarón's critically acclaimed film "Roma" — an intimate, black-and-white, Spanish-language feature about a middle-class Mexican family and their live-in nanny — seems an unlikely candidate for the role of Hollywood disrupter.

Nonetheless, the \$15-million awards contender, which Netflix, Inc. released in a handful of theaters just before Thanksgiving (it is opening today in Chicago), has become a flashpoint in the contentious debate over the future of film distribution.

"Roma" was released in theaters three weeks before it becomes available to Netflix subscribers Dec. 14, an unprecedented move for a company that has traditionally eschewed the idea of releasing movies in theaters before they are available to subscribers on its streaming platform.

Facing rising competition from Walt Disney Co. and other media giants entering the streaming business, Netflix is increasingly eager to lure filmmakers who want their movies to be shown on a big screen and get awards recognition.

Awards pundits widely predict that "Roma" will earn the Los Gatos, Calif., company its first best picture Oscar nomination — a triumph for a company that craves the same credibility in the movie business that it has achieved in television, having become a fixture in the top Emmy races with such shows as "House of Cards" and "The Crown."

But Netflix's new film distribution strategy is facing heavy opposition. Many cinema chains are refusing to screen "Roma," saying it sets a bad precedent.

It's a battle that has pitted the exhibitors that built Hollywood against the powerful streaming giant that has radically disrupted its conventions.

The dispute revolves around a long-standing practice of releasing movies in ordered phases called windows. Traditionally, studios have waited 90 days after a movie opens in theaters before making it available for home viewing. Exhibitors argue that shortening the exclusive window from three months to three weeks devalues the theatrical experience and discourages people from leaving their homes to watch movies.

"They're still outsiders, and they're still not part of our industry at this point," said Phil Zacheretti, chief executive of Knoxville, Tenn.-based cinema chain Phoenix Theatres Entertainment. "Every exhibitor should fight it. We should work with them, but work with them on terms acceptable to the exhibition community."

Netflix has been trying to walk a tightrope between its own competing interests, stirring internal tensions over how much to conform to — or upend — traditional cinema industry

practices.

Chief Content Officer Ted Sarandos has long railed against the idea of windows as antiquated. He has insisted on releasing movies to streaming subscribers and in theaters simultaneously, arguing that doing so gives consumers more choice.

"We are not pro-theater, we're not anti-theater — we're pro-consumer," he said at a May investors conference in New York. He reiterated that theme at an investor conference Monday, saying, "We're trying to connect people with movies in a big, meaningful way."

In the last year, Netflix has clearly softened its approach to cinemas. Netflix film head Scott Stuber, a former Universal Pictures executive, has pointedly assured top filmmakers their movies will get a robust theatrical push, people close to the company say. This summer, Netflix hired prominent awards consultant Lisa Taback to lead its campaigns, and has erected billboards along the Sunset Strip to remind voters of its titles.

Two film industry executives said Netflix is looking to build a small theatrical distribution team in-house, which would signal more of a willingness to pursue big releases. Netflix has considered buying a theater chain such as Landmark Theatres, but backed away from the idea because of the price.

Netflix declined to comment. The company has struggled to balance its aversion to windows with its need to attract talent — such as Cuarón, Joel and Ethan Coen and Martin Scorsese — as well as Oscar glory. Previous Oscar hopefuls "Beasts of No Nation" and "Mudbound" were released in some theaters simultaneously with their streaming debuts but failed to secure best picture nominations.

"No filmmaker says, 'Yeah, I want to make a movie for an iPad.' They want people to see it on the big screen, and rightly so," said Karie Bible, a box office analyst with Exhibitor Relations. "In order for it to be taken seriously by the [motion picture] academy, it has to have a theatrical release."

Rival Amazon Studios earned a best picture nod for its 2016 drama "Manchester by the Sea." Amazon's strategy is to work with theaters to give its movies a prolonged theatrical rollout before they become available on Amazon's Prime Video streaming service.

To qualify for Oscars, movies must be shown in theaters before, or on the same day as, other distribution methods.

Beyond prestige, Oscar victories could attract more filmmakers to Netflix and encourage subscribers to watch its films.

When it announced the release plan for "Roma," Netflix also promised limited exclusive theatrical windows for the Coen brothers' "The Ballad of Buster Scruggs" and Susanne Bier's thriller "Bird Box." "Buster Scruggs," a well-reviewed western anthology film, had a one-



Filmmaker Alfonso Cuarón, left, and actress Yalitza Aparicio on the set of "Roma." The film is Netflix's most acclaimed release yet.

week exclusive window in a small number of cinemas.

Participant Media, which financed "Roma," held talks with a number of potential distributors before deciding to partner with Netflix, swayed by both the company's commitment to a global theatrical release and the vast reach of its streaming service.

"I totally acknowledge that to a certain extent we're approaching the presentation differently from ways that we might have in the past," Participant Chief Executive David Linde, who is an executive producer on "Roma," told The Times recently. "But I think that's reflective of the audience and how the audience wants to experience motion pictures. They want choices."

Given the shifting landscape, Cuarón has suggested that filmmakers need to adapt. "Of course, I'm a big defender of the big screen," the director told The Times in September. "The film was made for the big screen. But I'm also a big defender of options."

Filmmakers also are drawn to Netflix because of its appetite for mid-range adult-oriented films that the major studios have largely bypassed.

"There's a lot of discussion around the way the movies are shown, whether or not they have theatrical releases or just go up on the platform," Joel Coen said in a recent interview. "But I think the more fundamental thing is that they're the people who are stepping up and spending money on movies that aren't Marvel comics movies or big action franchise movies and that type of thing."

Still, choosing the Netflix route has resulted in frustrations because most theaters don't want to play along.

Even Cuarón lamented on Twitter that "Roma," which is drawn from the director's own childhood in Mexico City, was booked in the country — fewer, he noted, than in Poland or South Korea. Cinépolis, Mexico's largest theater circuit, refused to show the film after months of negotiations.

"We consider it a jewel of modern cinematography,"

Cinépolis Mexico said. "Unfortunately, 'Roma' was sold to Netflix Mexico, whose business model has not yet considered exhibition in cinemas."

In the U.S., "Roma" played on three screens during Thanksgiving weekend, including Landmark Theatres locations in Los Angeles and New York, and the IFC Center in Greenwich Village. The movie played in 18 American theaters this past weekend, including Laemmle's Playhouse 7 in Pasadena and Vista Theatre in Los Feliz. "Roma" will be shown in more than 500 locations worldwide once it is released on Netflix.

Unlike other distributors, Netflix declines to report box-office grosses — another source of frustration for theater owners, who use such data for booking movies. Netflix also withholds viewership figures for its TV shows, which rivals say allows the company to declare a show or a movie a success without supporting data.

Some analysts estimated that "Roma" sold as much as \$120,000 in tickets during its three-day debut weekend for a per-screen average of \$40,000 in U.S. theaters, an impressive start for a foreign-language film. Other experts said those estimates were inflated and that the picture actually took in closer to \$25,000 per screen.

Landmark CEO Ted Mundorff declined to provide box office figures but said he was pleased with the results.

"We always thought it was going to do business, and we were right," he said. "I think Netflix has done a great job with it, and we're very proud to play the film. We had several sellouts on both sides of the country."

Either way, critics say Netflix's practices allow it to get an Oscar boost while avoiding the embarrassment of a potential flop.

"They want all the benefits of a theatrical release, and they don't want any of the risks," said Patrick Corcoran, spokesman for the National Assn. of Theatre Owners, the Washington, D.C., lobbying group that represents exhibitors. "Let's see them take the training wheels off."

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Yalitza Aparicio plays Cleo, a nanny/housekeeper, in "Roma."

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ina De Tavira), whose boisterous upper-middle-class household accommodates four kids, one grandmother, one endlessly defecating dog, some caged birds and a conspicuously absent father.

Father, Sofia tells her children, is away on business in Quebec. In reality, he's in Acapulco with his mistress. While this is going on, Cleo, who works for the family along with fellow maid Adela (Nancy Garcia Garcia), loses her virginity to a tense, explosive young man (Jorge Antonio Guerrero) devoted to martial arts training and unconcerned with Cleo's surprise pregnancy. The young man seems like a warrior searching for a war. That war arrives in one of the film's most elaborate vignettes, a re-creation of the bloody 1971 Corpus Christi attack on student demonstrators.

Cuarón imagines this particular historical incident at a remove, from the vantage point of a second-story window of a department store. "Roma" is hardly devoid of telling close-ups, but as Cuarón told one interviewer: "I was interested to observe those moments at a distance without a judging eye." We follow the family to an eventful New Year's Eve spent with relatives in the country, where the government is seizing land at will, and a jolly shooting party segues into a raging forest fire, first spied in the distance by Cleo.

"Roma" glides from momentous incident to incident. Huge events are shown to us by way of peculiar small details. A Mexico City earthquake is depicted as ceiling rubble falling on an incubator in a hospital ward. Cuarón's story piles on potentially melodramatic story turns, from Cleo's pregnancy to a street massacre, but the long takes (often spiced with camera pivots and tracking shots) make us both observers and participants in what feels like a mashup of historical pageant and memoir. We're with Cleo every step of the way, yet at the director's visual insistence, we always see the streets, the countryside, the world around her, suggesting countless other stories yet to be told.

This is Cuarón's first Spanish-language film since the great, carousing "Y Tu Mama Tambien" (2001). In that story, Maribel Verdu's character represented a dreamy, idealized embodiment of female sexuality. In "Roma," Cleo becomes a very different symbol, that of loving, capable lifeline to a family in need. She is equilibrium personified; at one point, her sense of balance becomes literal, when she and she alone executes a martial-arts pose demonstrated by a famous instructor.

Cuarón doesn't get behind Cleo's eyes, exactly, or into her soul. His movie operates differently. It's roomy and distanced enough to allow for different emotional responses. I know people who cried their eyes out during "Roma," and I know people who loved it precisely because it doesn't go for the full-court press on the tear ducts.

Weird as it sounds, Jacques Tati's widescreen comedy "Playtime" (1967) may be the film "Roma" resembles most in its aesthetics and its democratic (yet tightly controlled) approach to filling a frame to bursting. A lot of the detail comes straight out of Cuarón's childhood home, and his memories of the local Mexico City cinemas and streets. None of that would mean much unless it all came alive as something more than a personal inventory. By the end of "Roma," Cuarón's memories have turned into a marvel of craft, and one of the year's very finest achievements.

Postscript: At press time, "Roma" is scheduled to play an exclusive run at the Landmark Century Centre. Cuarón created his film's brilliantly dense sound design, full of street vendor cries and barking dogs, in the high-end Dolby Atmos process. Chicago press saw an early screening of "Roma" at ShowPlace ICON, which is equipped with Dolby Atmos. Opening "Roma" on a single, non-Dolby Atmos screen is a pretty stupid thing to do.

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Design

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What was significant about black design in the city, the show tries to capture in its introduction: From a city of 15,000 African-Americans in 1900, Chicago became with the Great Migration a population and cultural center, and designers were there to serve the commercial needs of the community but also to draw connections to the bigger world.

"African-American design is about more than making black images; it is about redesigning the world," the opening text says. "As mediators between local business, major corporations, and a burgeoning black community, African-American designers raised still-relevant questions about engaging the politics of race at the intersection of art and commerce."

It is a "colossal show of little objects," Schulman said, almost all of them originals, many sourced from the designers themselves or their families.

So there is an advertisement for Slick-Black, which "colors gray hair black in one minute." It was designed by Charles Dawson.

There are posters and invitations for the annual Artists & Models Ball benefiting Margaret Burroughs' influential South Side Community Art Center: artists doing some of their best work for each other.

And there is a McDonald's print ad from guess what era? "Daddy and Junior really dig doing things together, going to a game or just ridin' 'n' rappin'," says the 1973 ad from the influential Emmett McBain. What they enjoy most, of course, is the McDonald's meal that's part of the ritual.

A 1973 poster by Black Arts Movement pioneer Barbara Jones-Hogu, in her vivid "coolade colors," shares the space with



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Jason Leckrone, 37, looks at work on the wall at the "African American Designers in Chicago" exhibit.

George Clinton album covers, including 1982's arguably prescient "Computer Games," designed by Pedro Bell.

The Chicago behemoth Johnson Publishing, of course, has a prominent place here as well. Indeed, the emphasis is on printed material.

But a small section of industrial-design objects stand out. They are from Charles Harrison, who designed toasters, sewing machines and at least one chair for Sears. Although he had a hand, too, in designing the storied Sears catalog, Harrison's greatest pop-culture success came earlier: He redesigned the View-Master, using injection molded plastic instead of Bakelite. This reworking helped make the stereo photo viewers lighter and more affordable and they became, for a time, ubiquitous across America.

There is much to take in in "African American Designers." The text is highly informative,

packed, winningly, with some of the personal stories of the designers trying to navigate between esthetic and profit impulses and between cultures. But trying to read all those words, small black type on brown paper mostly in waist-level cases, can be a challenge for folks who lack the eyesight of a 25-year-old. Do yourself a favor and grab one of the available printouts.

Northwestern's Block offers a more traditional museum presentation for "Up Is Down: Mid-Century Experiments in Advertising and Film at the Goldsholl Studio." (Word of warning: This show ends Sunday, with the end of fall classes at the school.)

"Nobody's really heard of their work," said Corinne Granof, the exhibition's co-curator (with Amy Beste of the School of the Art Institute) and the museum's director of academic programs. "But they really had a legacy and did important things in the '60s

and '70s."

In addition to being more diverse than was the "Mad Men"-era norm, the firm founded by wife and husband Millie and Morton Goldsholl brought Moholy-Nagy's Bauhaus design into the commercial realm.

You can see it in the experimental films they were able to convince the client Kimberly Clark (Kleenex) to make — at least a little on behalf of the brand, but certainly for the Goldsholls themselves. You can see it in the quite vivid series of logos they designed, for Vienna Beef and Motorola, yes, but also for Ditto (which was a mimeograph company brand name before it entered common parlance).

TV sets display a range of commercials that were truly visionary for their time, for everything from ABC's World Series of Golf in 1967 to the 1980 Super Bowl on CBS. The Revlon ad is especially striking, as a model's pixelated

face comes into clear, beautiful focus thanks to the makeup. Pixelation is standard stuff now, but back then the Goldsholl firm did it by developing, with painstaking detail, a special camera lens dubbed the Modulens.

In addition to the commercial work, the exhibit showcases some of the couple's experimental films and light photographs. Especially striking is the ostensible educational short that closes the show and gives it its title. Guided by Millie, the 1969 film starts as a cartoon tale of a boy who lived — and saw things — upside down. Forced into conformity by his parents and doctors, he sees the world as it really is, represented by jarring images of the Civil Rights struggle, the Vietnam War and widespread hunger.

It suggests, pointedly for a life-long adwoman, "that television and advertising ... play a role in distracting the public from the harsh realities of contemporary life," the exhibit says.

I would have liked a little more about the lives of the couple behind this remarkable firm, beyond their mutual attraction to Bauhaus and presumably each other. But in its focus on their work, "Up is Down" is a more than satisfying reminder that, done well enough, even work designed for consumption in the moment can find a way to live on.

"African American Designers in Chicago: Art, Commerce, and the Politics of Race" is through March 3, 2019, at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington St.; www.artdesignchicago.org. And "Up is Down: Mid-Century Experiments in Advertising and Film at the Goldsholl Studio" is through Dec. 9 at the Block Museum of Art, 40 Arts Circle Drive, Evanston; www.blockmuseum.northwestern.edu.

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Last summer, on one of those Chicago mornings when rain looks days away, I left windows open next to tall stacks of big illustrative keepsakes. When I returned home that night, beloved suitcase-size volumes about dinosaurs, Laurie Anderson, "Star Wars" and modern ballet were warped, sodden, damp bricks. I spent days and nights with a hairdryer, sitting on the floor, separating wet page from wet page, trying without much luck to suck moisture from pulp. It felt, seriously, like losing family members.

OK — family goldfish. Still, I felt real sadness at the chance of not having them with me (they remain damp, but recovering). After that scare, dropping \$30 on awkwardly sized, questionably necessary books about the landscapes of obscure Wisconsin folk artists made more sense than ever. The internet may illustrate daily we are a culture of niches, yet there is warmth in the oversize monograph that takes up too much space and chews too many pages, dives too deeply into a rabbit hole. Connect with the right gift book, you hang on, dragging it with you through life, long after you've left the coffee table by the curb.

I can't think of a nicer example this year than "Picture: Muhammad Ali" (\$60, Press Syndication Group), trimmed with a gold spine, containing the best of the Louisville Courier Journal's photo archives of the legend, from his Kentucky bouts at age 12 to the man asleep in front of a TV (showing Howard Cosell, fittingly). It's sharp and simple — a salute to the stick-with-it-ness of local newspapers, a coffee-table variation on the saintly, heroic portraits once hung in middle-class living rooms.

Similarly, "Vivian Maier: The Color Work" (\$80, Harper) is about the dedication of one wandering soul, the late Rogers Park street-photographer phenom, toward capturing the granular weirdness of everyday Chicago, circa 1964 to 1979, in wet, muted colors.

Now the trouble with books this large, the annoying part of being unable to part with keepsake books easily: There is that much less room for a library of average-sized books. One modest solution: "1,000 Books to Read Before You Die" (\$35, Workman) is far more than another one of those doorstop, inch-thick "Do This Before You Die" cast-offs, but rather, apparently the life's work of James Mustich — and if it's not, the man is an overachiever. Here is a beautiful, exhausting, smartly designed library about the perfect library, so hard to put down it took me a half hour to pull away long enough to finish that sentence. Comparably, "Chicago by the Book: 101 Publications That Shaped the City and Its Image" (\$35, University of



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Yes, Virginia, there really is a new coffee-table book for everyone and every interest this holiday season.

Chicago Press) is the perfect study of the perfect library of the perfect Chicago provincial, an absorbing, decidedly snobbish local canon. Alex Kotlowitz on Nelson Algren and Frank Rich on Norman Mailer and Toni Preckwinkle on Ida B. Wells. (One defensive note: No local newspaper made this book. Playboy, yes. A book about competition to build Tribune Tower, yes. The Tribune — no.)

Another alternative to lugging a lifetime of books behind you? Collected hernias.

I mean, volumes.

"The New Yorker Encyclopedia of Cartoons: A Semi-Serious A-to-Z Archive" (\$100, Black Dog) — going for a remarkable \$45 on Amazon (sorry, Chicago booksellers) — may be heavier than any stack of New Yorkers you are holding on to, but it's exactly as rich as promised: a handsome compendium of a century of absurdities and wry commentaries, organized by subject, from ignorance to Trump. (One demerit: If there's anything this didn't need, it's the occasional joke explainer. Gag.) "Dirty Plotte: The Complete Julie Doucet" (\$120, Drawn & Quarterly) is that encyclopedia's evil twin, as dense and sleazy as New Yorker cartoons are tasteful and minimal. Doucet, the patron saint of anyone who ever moved into a cheap apartment and made chaos from their life, fills every frame of her autobiographical stories with trash and dumb lovers, lousy decisions and body parts. It's the rare survey that never approaches self-aggrandiz-

ing.

Both are bottomless.

German publisher Taschen never claims such definitiveness, yet no one elevates the slightest of pop institutions to austere, thoughtful bookshelf status with more joy. Case study: Taschen's new "Walt Disney's Disneyland" (\$60), which sprawls photos, internal paperwork and ephemera from the creation of the theme park across thick-bonded paper, having fun with the artificiality of the place (there are wonderful shots here of journalists making sense of its absurdities) while paying homage to the craft. As one imagineer from the Tiki Room remembers: Walt told them that after lunch he would sit everyone down, then "you fellas are going to write me a song that'll explain all this."

Even better is "The Star Wars Archives: 1977-1983" (\$200), which pulls off the impossible: a fresh look at one of the most picked-off franchises ever. Somehow, with help from George Lucas, whose fingerprints are all over this, even old production photos look new, even gaudiness — love the photo of Alec Guinness looking lost as Lucas stands to one side, hand on chin, both sides counting their losses. Smarter still, a meshing of storyboards, concept art and final image that, familiar as that sounds, is rarely presented so seamlessly. Though even that, of course, is not the final word: "Star Wars Icons: Han Solo" (\$50, Insight) generates nearly as much new material on a single character — arguably the series' best — but really ben-

efits from Chicago-based Gina McIntyre's absorbing, book-length history and evolution of Harrison Ford's intergalactic scoundrel, sprinkled cleverly with all sorts of flippable costume designs, bookmarks and script reprints.

Speaking of fresh runs over well-trodden ground: "Andy Warhol: From A to B and Back Again" (\$70, Yale University Press), the catalog for the current blockbuster Whitney Museum of American Art retrospective, is as absorbing and original as the show itself, a literal gold brick of a book, with Warhol's passport portrait embedded on the cover (and altered by the artist), that makes as much sense of Warhol's aesthetic and aims as one book could hope. (Bonus: The essays, from artist Barbara Kruger and others, which offer a plain-spoken clarity rarely found in art catalogs.) Likewise, until someone writes the definitive biography, "John Waters: Indecent Exposure" (\$50, University of California Press), the catalog for the filmmaker's Baltimore Museum of Art retrospective, is as complete a portrait of an unclassifiable artist as possible. The focus is on gallery work, sculptures of Charles Manson, conceptual pieces (see "Hetero Flower Shop" — please) and much more transgressive works, but mixed with Q&As, essays on Water's "queer ethics" and the artist's unassailable cheer, it offers a powerful argument for free expression itself.

Inevitably then, what ties the best of these coffee-table books

together — what keeps the ones we hold on to from straying very far from us — is nostalgia. Certainly my favorites, almost always, are scrapbooks of our cultural thoughts. Photographer Heidi Ross' "Nashville: Scenes from the New American South" (\$35, Harper), with essays by Ann Patchett and Jon Meacham, is billed as a contemporary portrait, but even its Instagram-ready artisans and dog-eared aesthetic hold a built-in decay — it is a photo album from a scene before the scene is even expired. "The World of Apartamento: Ten Years of Everyday Life Interiors" (\$60, Abrams), is a best-of collection of housing spreads from a hipster lifestyle magazine, one that attracts as much irritation as jealousy; but its real draw is in its candid, snapshotlike images of people simply living — grainy, overlit pictures of cool, messy apartments and homes that you wished you had lived in.

More obviously nostalgic (and worth it): "Beastie Boys Book" (\$50, Spiegel & Grau), which at 600 pages seems to never end (in an overwhelmingly pleasant way), exploding with images, oral histories, mixtape art, music video reviews, contributions from friends like Colson Whitehead, director Spike Jonze and chef Roy Choi (who offers a 14-page cookbook within the book). "Contact High: A Visual History of Hip Hop" (\$40, Clarkson Potter) is broader yet more selective, a simple enough idea: the contact sheets from photo shoots of 100 hip-hop greats, culled especially from its first decades. But the book's strength is in delivering a warm, alternative history that goes beyond the posturing — who knew, for instance, that Biggie Smalls had such a great smile?

Speaking of madeleines: You can smell your childhood as you pick up "Hot Wheels: From 0 to 50 at 1:64 Scale" (\$40, Motorbooks), an obsessive and fetishizing history of the classic Mattel toy, from its logo to collectors to production specs. Though what made me laugh out — it arrives inside an old-fashioned vinyl snap-case, the kind that carried Hot Wheels.

Then again, the beauty of a great coffee-table book is in immersion and escape.

One final title: "The Writer's Map: An Atlas of Imaginary Lands" (\$45, University of Chicago Press), a collection of essays from writers like David Mitchell and Philip Pullman on the maps found only in books, of fantastic places that exist nowhere else. Think "Treasure Island," "Lord of the Rings," "Wind in the Willows." It's less for the inner cartographer than the admirer of beautifully designed books often discovered in childhood and never left behind. It is almost too much of a good, singular thing. Which means, in a way, it is the quintessential coffee-table book. Read it, look at it. Just don't get it wet.

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WATCH THIS: THURSDAY



Padma Lakshmi and Tom Colicchio

"Top Chef" (8 p.m., 9:15 p.m., Bravo): The Bluegrass State is the setting for Season 16 of this award-winning reality competition series, as 15 new chefs from across the United States compete amid Kentucky's culinary hot spots in Louisville, Lexington and Lake Cumberland. Ultimately, the chefs still in contention as the season nears its completion will fly to Macau, China, for their epic finale showdown. Padma Lakshmi and Tom Colicchio return.

"A Charlie Brown Christmas" (7 p.m., ABC): When Charlie Brown complains about the materialism he sees during the holidays, Lucy suggests he direct the Christmas pageant. He accepts, but it proves to be a frustrating struggle. When his attempt to restore the proper spirit with a forlorn little fir tree fails, he needs Linus' help to learn the real meaning of Christmas. The animated classic's memorable music score is by Vince Guaraldi.

"Will & Grace" (8 p.m., NBC): Matt Bomer guest stars in the new "Anchor Away" as a handsome and openly gay TV news anchor with whom Will (Eric McCormack) is completely besotted. Alas, the hunky host has a weakness for pretty but shallow dudes, so Jack (Sean Hayes) urges Will to tamp down his natural personality and act like — well, like Jack. Elsewhere, Karen (Megan Mullally) will receive only limited alimony unless she can prove her ex Stan cheated on her.

"The Great American Baking Show: Holiday Edition" (8 p.m., ABC): There's definitely no shortage of spice as this hit culinary competition series returns for Season 4 with new host Emma Bunton of the Spice Girls joining co-host and former gridiron star Anthony "Spice" Adams for this two-hour season premiere. Pastry chef Sherry Yard is a new judge, joining returning veteran Paul Hollywood.

"Denial" (8 p.m., Showtime): Playwright David Hare ("Plenty") wrote the searing screenplay for Mick Jackson's 2016 biographical drama, which chronicles a real-life legal case: Irving vs. Penguin Books Ltd., in which Deborah Lipstadt (Rachel Weisz), an American professor of Holocaust studies, is sued for libel by David Irving (Timothy Spall), a scholar specializing in Nazi Germany. Irving objects to Lipstadt's (accurate) assertion that he is a Holocaust denier, a claim she and her legal team then set out to justify. Tom Wilkinson also stars.

"Traffic" (10:30 p.m., HBO): This 2018 exploitation thriller from writer-director-producer Deon Taylor got mostly bad reviews and grossed less than \$10 million at the global box office. Paula Patton did earn good notices for her top-billed role as a plucky journalist in a story about friends being terrorized by a gang of bikers. Omar Epps, Laz Alonso and Roselyn Sanchez also star.

TALK SHOWS

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Jason Momoa; actor J.K. Simmons; comic Joe Machi.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.); comic Emma Willmann.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Gwen Stefani talks and performs; actor

* Subject to change

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BROADCAST	CBS 2	Big Bang Theory (N)	Young Sheldon (N)	(8:01) Mom (N) ©	Murphy Brown (N)	S.W.A.T.: "1000 Joules." (N) ©	News (N) ▶	
	NBC 5	Superstore (N) ©	The Good Place (N)	Will & Grace (N) ©	(8:31) I Feel Bad (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ©	NBC 5 News (N) ▶	
	ABC 7	A Charlie Brown Christmas ©	The Great American Baking Show: "Cake and Pastry Week." (Season Premiere) (N) ©			Show: Holiday Edition: "Coke and Pastry Week." (Season Premiere) (N) ©	News at 10pm (N) ▶	
	WGN 9	blackish: "Dr. Hell No." ©	blackish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) ©	WGN News at Ten (N)	
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy
	This TV 9.3	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)	Chicago Tonight (N)
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©	
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek: "Amok Time."	Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9
Bounce 26.5	Scandal ©	Family Time	Mann & Mann	Little Man (PG-13, '06) ***				
FOX 32	NFL Football: Jacksonville Jaguars at Tennessee Titans. (N) (Live) ©							
Ion 38	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	CSI: Crime Scene	
Telem 44	La sultana (N) ©	Falsa identidad (N) ©	Señora Acero (N) ©	Chicago (N)				
CW 50	Supernatural (N) ©	Legacies (N) ©	The Good Wife ©	Chicago				
UniMas 60	Reto 4 elementos: Naturaleza extrema		Rosario Tijeras: "Hombre inolvidable." *					
WJYS 62	History	Skywatch	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Christian	Dn. Carson	Monument	
Univ 66	Jesus	Mi marido tiene familia	Amar a muerte				Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD (N)	Live PD (N)	PD Cam (N)	PD Cam (N)	PD Cam
	AMC	National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation '89) ***				National Lamp. Christmas		
	ANIM	Crikey! It's the Irwins ©	The Secret of			The Secret of		The Secret
	BBCA	Underworld: Awakening (R, '12) **	Kate Beckinsale.			Underworld: Awakening (R, '12) **		
	BET	(5:30) Menace II Society	Standoff (R, '16) **	Laurence Fishburne, Thomas Jane.				Family
	BIGTEN	College Basketball (N)	The BIG	Football	The BIG	The BIG	Big Ten	
	BRAVO	Top Chef: "Finale." ©	Top Chef (Season Premiere) (N) ©	(9:15) Top Chef ©			Watch (N) ▶	
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©	Politics	
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©	Shark Tank ©			Shark Tank ©	Shark	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)			CNN Tonight (N)	Tonight (N) ▶	
COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Daily (N) ▶	
DISC	Naked and Afraid (N) ©						Afraid	
DISN	Raven	Raven	Coop	Stuck	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven	
E!	Botched ©	Botched: "Knockers on Heaven's Door." (Season Premiere) (N) ©			Botched		Botched	
ESPN	Football Awards (N)	Championship Drive (N)			The Herbie Awards (N)	SportCtr (N)		
ESPN2	Wm. Basketball (N)	High School Basketball (N)			Championship Drive (N)			
FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) ©			The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News		
FOOD	Christmas Cookie	Christmas Cookie			Beat Flay (N) / Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby		
FREE	(5:55) Toy Story (G) ****	(7:55) Toy Story 2 (G, '99) ****	Tim Allen ©				700 Club	
FX	The Wolf of Wall Street (R, '13) ***	Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill. ©						
HALL	A Shoe Addict's Christmas (NR, '18) ©				Christmas in Evergreen (NR, '17) ©			
HGTV	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters	
HIST	American Pickers	American Pickers (N) ©			(9:11) American Pickers	Pickers		
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
IFC	The Breakfast Club ***	Baroness (N)	Baroness	Forgetting Sarah Marshall '08) ****				
LIFE	Jingle Belle (NR, '18)	Tatyana Ali, Obba Babatundé. ©			(9:03) A Twist of Christmas '18) ©			
MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow Show (N)			The Last Word (N)	11th Hour (N)		
MTV	Jersey Shore (N)	Floribama Shore (N) ©			Jersey Shore—Vacation	Floribama		
NBCSCH	Alpine Skiing (Tape)	All Access	Pregame (N)		NHL Hockey (N) ©			
NICK	Henry	SpongeBob	Cheaper by the Dozen 2 (PG, '05) **	Steve Martin.			Friends ©	
OVATION	(6:30) Dirty Rotten Scoundrels (PG, '88) ****				The Wine Show (N)		Terms	
OWN	20/20: Homicide	20/20: Homicide			20/20 on OWN (N)	20/20		
ORXY	Chicago P.D. ©	Chicago P.D. ©			Chicago P.D. ©	Chicago		
PARMT	Friends ©	Friends ©	Men in Black (PG-13, '97) ***	Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith. ©				
SYFY	(6:10) Iron Man 3 (PG-13, '13) *** ©				Nightflyers (N) ©		Pirates	
TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Guest Book	
TCM	Blessed Event (NR, '32) **	Lee Tracy.	42nd Street (NR, '33) ****	Ruby Keeler.			Footlight	
TLC	Return to Amish: "Leaving Everything Behind." ©				Return to Amish ©	Amish		
TLN	IMPACT	Wretched	Phelps (N)		Life Today	Like You	Humanit	
TNT	NBA Basketball: Knicks at Celtics (N Subject to Blackout)				Basketball (N Subject to			
TOON	Gumball	Gumball	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV	The Dead Files ©	The Dead Files ©			The Dead Files (N) ©	Dead Files		
TVL	Everybody Raymond	Raymond	Raymond		Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	It's a Wonderful Life (PG, '46) ****	James Stewart, Donna Reed. ©					Mod Fam	
VH1	VH1 Special ©	VH1 Special ©			VH1 Special ©	Special		
WE	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop (N)			Growing Up Hip Hop	Hip Hop		
WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO	There's Something About Mary (R, '98) ***			Sally Ever	Room 104	Room 104	
	HBO2	VICE ©	My Bril. (Subtitled-English)	Camping ©		The Prestige (PG-13, '06) ****		
	MAX	Paycheck (PG-13, '03) **	Ben Affleck. ©			Collateral (R, '04) ****	Tom Cruise. ©	
	SHO	(4:55) Pearl Harbor **	Denial (PG-13, '16) ***	Rachel Weisz. ©			Escape	
	STARZ	(6:09) Pitch Black (R) **	The Chronicles of Riddick (PG-13, '04) **	Vin Diesel.			Joe Dirt	
STZNC	Mission: Impossible **	Counterpart ©			(8:55) Counterpart ©		Stir	

Spice Adams dishes on 'Great American Baking Show' return

BY TRACY SWARTZ
Chicago Tribune

"The Great American Baking Show" returns this week with a new title, new judge and double the "Spice."

Former Bears defensive tackle Anthony "Spice" Adams shares co-hosting duties this season with Emma "Baby Spice" Bunton. Wait — won't that get confusing?

"You don't confuse your spices when you're making your dishes. You don't say, 'Hey, I'm going to put a lot of this paprika in my oatmeal.' No, you don't do that," Adams told the Tribune by phone. "You won't mix your 'Spices' up. No problem."

"The Great American Baking Show: Holiday Edition" follows 10 contestants — including Chicago-area pastry chef Destane Harris — as they undergo a series of challenges in the hopes of being named America's best amateur baker. The new season premieres at 8 p.m. Thursday on ABC.

The last season got caught up in the #MeToo movement. Acclaimed pastry chef Johnny Iuzzini, who served as a show judge, was accused of sexual harassment and abuse by multiple women who had worked with him years before. He denied several of the claims. ABC pulled the Season 3 episodes that had yet to air, but posted an online video recap of the finale that didn't feature Iuzzini.

He is gone this season. James Beard Award winner Sherry Yard joins Paul Hollywood ("The Great British Bake Off") on the judging panel. Bunton replaces cookbook author Ayesha Curry as co-host. Adams told the Tribune he wasn't surprised the series came back — despite last season's troubles.

"It's a family show. You think about the holidays and cooking with your family, so it brings back all of those good memories," Adams said. "At the end of



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Former Bears player Anthony "Spice" Adams co-hosts "The Great American Baking Show: Holiday Edition."

the day, when you win, it's not like you get a \$100,000 prize or something like that. You get a coveted cake plate, so you don't have a lot of contestants at each other's throats."

Adams, 38, also co-hosts the "Inside the Bears" show and works with the Big Ten Network. Highlights from our conversation are below.

Q: You and Ayesha had really great chemistry last season. Was it as easy to fall into a good rapport with Emma?

We had great chemistry right away, which made it easier and made it a lot of

fun. We were able to laugh and joke. She's very down to earth, and she can make fun of herself.

It's very tense when you get into a competition like that. You want to make the best dishes for the judges. A lot of the bakers are Sherry Yard fans and so to have that pressure of, oh man. It's just like if you see the best reporter that you ever saw in your life. You're like, I got to make this great column and they're breathing over your back. So you're like, maybe I should use this word, maybe I shouldn't. It was great for us to kind of lighten the

mood around there.

Q: Is it difficult to stop yourself from eating everything when you're on set?

Oh man, listen, I've been dealing with this fight my whole life. It's never difficult for me. I have the framework to continue to eat, so this job is right up my alley. I continue to eat regardless, but this season, I tried to pace myself and that didn't work. The food was so good. It is very difficult, but when you've got the framework like I do and you've been carrying around weight as well as I do, you just keep eating.

Q: Israel Idonije got a role on a Fox series. Brian Urlacher was on a show with Rob Riggle. Of course, Jay Cutler. Are you surprised to see so many of your former teammates transitioning to acting and TV?

No, and Thomas Jones was in "Luke Cage." He was in "Straight Outta Compton." I just think that football in itself is a form of entertainment, and so I'm not very surprised to see football players or players who are playing sports go on to do other entertainment because it's just like getting a response or a rise out of the crowd. It's the same thing, just different situations. I'm not surprised at all. I would say I'm surprised about Urlacher because you know, I've seen him in a huddle. You've seen his face. I don't know why he would try to show his face more.

Q: You don't know why he would try to show his face more?

(Laughs). Right, you've seen him. Damn! Yuck! Have you seen his hair? It's gross. No, we always joke about his hair all the time.

No, and Thomas Jones was in "Luke Cage." He was in "Straight Outta Compton." I just think that football in itself is a form of entertainment, and so I'm not very surprised to see football players or players who are playing sports go on to do other entertainment because it's just like getting a response or a rise out of the crowd. It's the same thing, just different situations. I'm not surprised at all. I would say I'm surprised about Urlacher because you know, I've seen him in a huddle. You've seen his face. I don't know why he would try to show his face more.

Q: You don't know why he would try to show his face more?

(Laughs). Right, you've seen him. Damn! Yuck! Have you seen his hair? It's gross. No, we always joke about his hair all the time.

Any chance I get, I'm going to give him a good ribbing.

Q: Are there any other shows that you would like to be on?

All of them. I have four kids and the last time I checked, tuition is not going down. Put me on "Dancing with the Stars." I'll do that. Put me on anything. I need to work. I got four kids.

Q: Is there anything else the viewers should know about you or the show?

I'm a fun guy. I value my family and an interesting fact about me is that I know Nihongo, which means Japanese language, so if anybody wants to hold a conversation with me in Japanese, by all means, please do so because I'm very rusty.

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Today's birthday (Dec. 6): Your imagination flowers this year. Financial discipline leads to growth. Make discoveries benefiting your health, fitness and services. Lucrative winter ventures lead you to explore new horizons. Extra bounty fills family coffers, supporting you through financial challenges.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Explore and investigate over the next few weeks. Misunderstandings dissolve, with Mercury direct for the next three months.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Words and traffic flow more freely, with Mercury direct. Communication, especially about money, comes easier. Articulate feelings with someone you trust. Share experiences and memories.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Communication barriers evaporate. Team coordination comes together naturally now that Mercury is direct. The fog clears, and you can hear each other again.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. It's easier to advance professionally, with Mercury direct for three months. Brainstorming gets more productive and creative. Negotiate, collaborate and network with a wider circle.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Travel and launch new projects, with Mercury direct. Traffic flows better. Long-distance connections come together. Confirm reservations.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Buy, sell and discuss financial transactions. Exchange money, invoices and payments freely, with Mercury direct. There's less confusion.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Lines of communication clarify, with Mercury direct. Partnership misunderstandings diminish. It's easier to persuade, to compromise and to reach consensus. Send love letters and invitations.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. An obstacle is dissolving. Communication buzzes and hums, with Mercury direct for the next three months. Make lucrative deals, bargains and agreements.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Practice your persuasive arts. Share what you love, especially with Mercury direct. Creative efforts bear fruit. Express your personal passion.

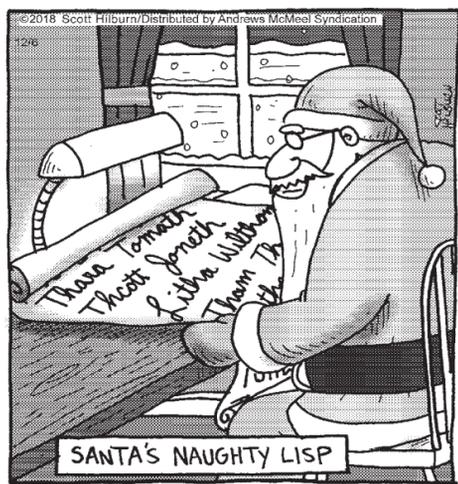
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Family communications that may have seem kinked now flow freely with Mercury direct. Express the future you want to create. Share your views.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Creative efforts take a leap forward. It's easier to learn and express your views now that Mercury is direct. Sign papers, post and publish.

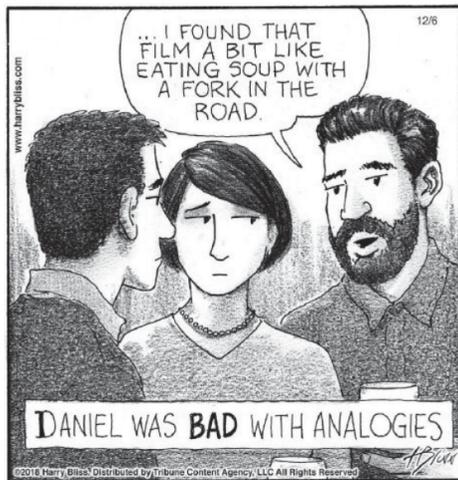
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Salary talks advance as a barrier dissolves. Confusion diminishes. Banking matters take a turn for the better, with Mercury direct.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



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Bridge

Neither vulnerable, South deals

North

- ♠ 6 4 3
- ♥ 10 3
- ♦ AK 9 8 7
- ♣ Q 10 7

East

- ♠ Q 9 7 2
- ♥ K 5 4
- ♦ 2
- ♣ K J 5 4 3

South

- ♠ AJ 8
- ♥ AJ 6 2
- ♦ Q 3
- ♣ A 8 6 2

The late Bobby Richman was raised in the Cleveland area, but he fell in love with Australia on his first visit there as a young man and lived there for the rest of his life. He was a highly respected player as well as one of their most beloved personalities. Richman was South, in today's deal.

It is well known, at least by experts, that a defender will usually make his first discard from a five-card suit, if he has one. That knowledge can help in the play of a hand. The opening heart lead went to East's king and Richman's ace. The ace of clubs was followed by a club to the queen and king as West shed the four of diamonds. East lead a heart to West's queen — ducking would have been better — and West led a heart to declarer's jack.

Richman led a club to the 10 and jack, as West discarded the five of spades, and then rose with his ace to win the spade switch. The eight of clubs forced an uncomfortable discard from West, who chose to part with the king of spades. Richman knew that West had started with five diamonds and considered the first discard of the diamond four. Would West have gone out of his way to shed the four if he had the two available? Probably not. Richman led a low diamond, and when West played low, Richman inserted dummy's eight! A diamond back to the queen and a heart put West on play to give dummy the last two tricks. Well done!

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1NT Pass 3NT All pass
Opening lead: Seven of ♥

— Bob Jones
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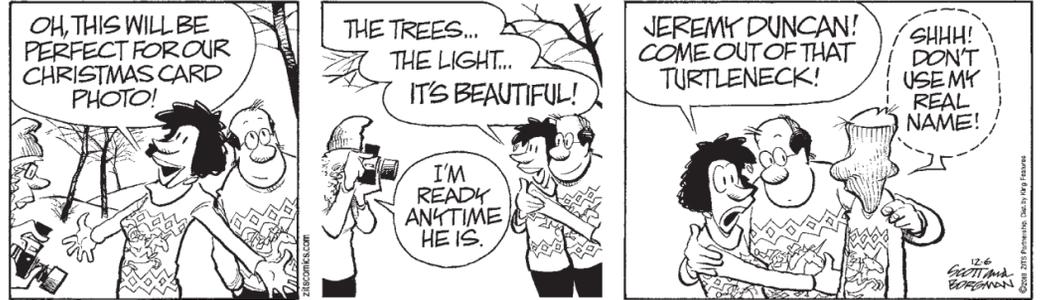
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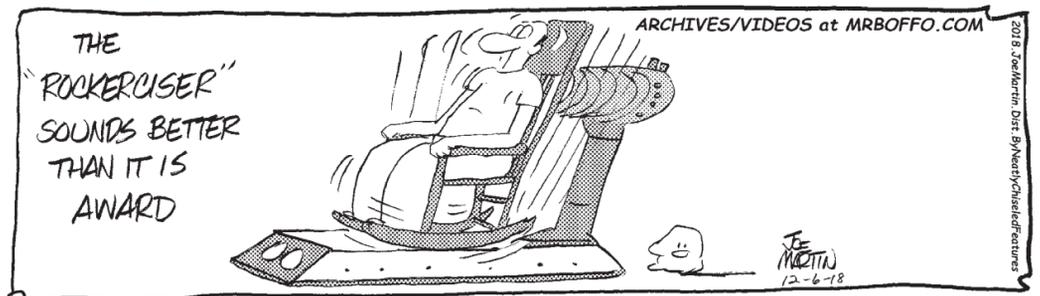
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THURSDAY, DEC. 6 NORMAL HIGH: 38° NORMAL LOW: 24° RECORD HIGH: 65° (1980) RECORD LOW: 0° (1972)

Colder air sweeps in, but sunny days ahead

LOCAL FORECAST



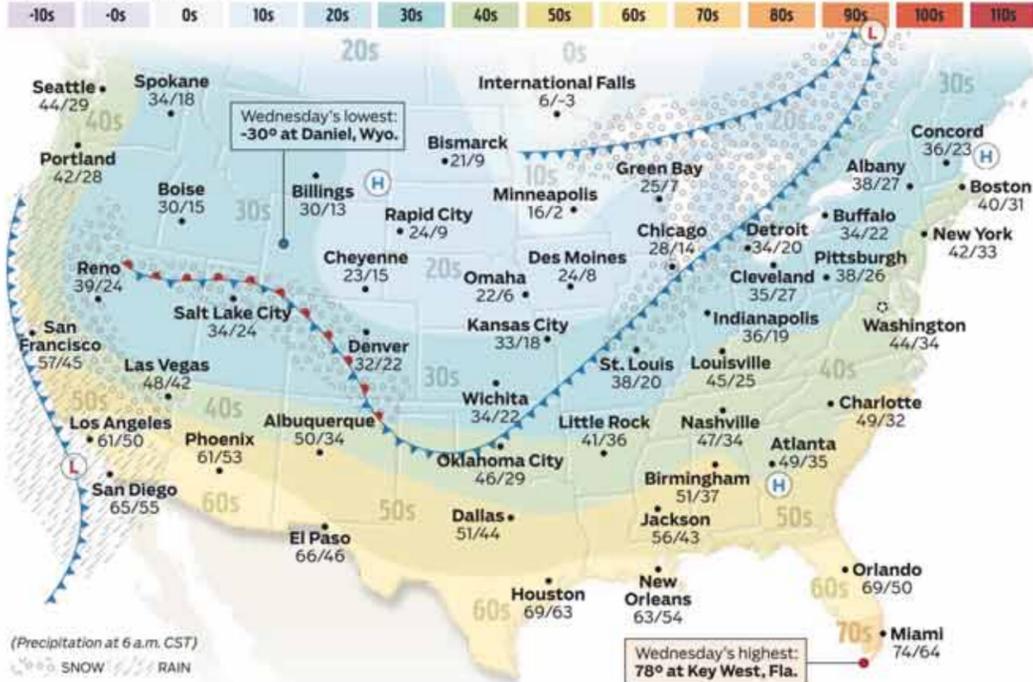
■ A cold front sweeps through from the northwest early in the day, followed by perhaps the coldest air in 10 months.

■ Gusty northwest winds 12 to 24 miles per hour. Clouds early – some light snow likely during the forenoon – best chance of sticking snow south of Interstate-80.

■ Becoming partly sunny - highs in the Upper 20s north and lower 30s south.

■ Clearing and very cold overnight with lows dropping into the low to middle teens.

NATIONAL FORECAST



A band of light snow will accompany a cold front as it sweeps through our area from the northwest Thursday morning. Sticking snow is possible south of Interstate 80, where there will be greater lift and a little more moisture available. Following the front, much colder air will sink into our area – perhaps the coldest we have experienced in 10 months, with overnight lows likely in the 10- to 15-degree range.

The cold high pressure will have its benefits, as it will depress low pressure systems to our south and east and maintain mostly clear skies, with abundant sunshine expected from Friday to at least the first part of next week. According to veteran weather observer Frank Wachowski, the first four days of this month we have had just 139 minutes of sunshine – only 5 percent of possible sunshine.

FRIDAY, DEC. 7



Pearl Harbor Day. Mostly sunny and cold – afternoon highs in the middle 20s. Clear skies and cold overnight. Northwest winds 8 to 15 miles per hour.



SATURDAY, DEC. 8



Mostly sunny and continued cold - afternoon highs in the upper 20s to around 30-degrees. Mostly clear skies overnight. Light northwest winds.



SUNDAY, DEC. 9



Sunny and continued cold. Afternoon highs in the low to mid 30s. Mostly clear skies overnight. Light easterly winds.



MONDAY, DEC. 10



Sunny with highs in the middle to upper 30s. Clear skies at night. Light easterly winds.



TUESDAY, DEC. 11



Sunny again. Temperatures continue to slowly moderate – highs in the upper 30s to around 40-degrees south. Clear skies overnight. Light southwest winds.



WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12



Increasing cloudiness during the day with high temperatures approaching the 40 degree mark. Clouds lower quickly at night with rain likely. Southwest winds.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I never saw a "close the books on November" in your column. How much below normal was the temperature that month?
— Jeff Peterson, Cedar Lake, Ind.

Dear Jeff,
With an average temperature of 34.6 degrees at O'Hare International Airport, November 2018 was Chicago's 14th coldest November in 149 years of official temperature records (1870-2018). That value is 5.7 degrees below the 1870-2018 average for November. It was 35 degrees at Midway Airport, the 10th coldest in 91 years (1928-2018) of temperature records at that station.

With total snowfall of 12.7 inches, November was the city's fourth snowiest out of 135 years (1884-2018). And with precipitation of 3.24 inches, November 2018 was 0.78 inches wetter than the long-term average and Chicago's 39th wettest November out of 149 years.

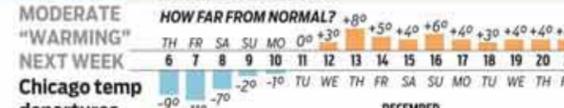
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More sun here to ease the December sunshine drought

DECEMBER 2018'S OPENING 5 DAYS
Chicago's Dec. 1-5 sunshine drought
Total minutes of sunshine Since Dec. 1
Only 139 minutes of a possible 2,802 minutes



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

SOUTH IN FOR A DRENCHING; BIG SNOWS BY MONDAY IN NORTH CAROLINA MOUNTAINS

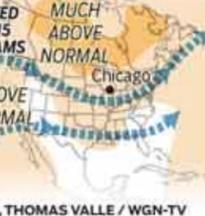


PREDICTED WEEKEND PRECIPITATION



REPRIEVE FROM THE WORST COLD

New pattern to produce moderate warming in Chicago
Next Thur. Dec. 13 through Tuesday, Dec. 18



MIDWEST CITIES

CITY	THURS.	FRI.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Chicago	sh 40	pc 23	pc 35	24	16	sh 30	pc 22	22
Indianapolis	pc 25	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 25	pc 17	9
St. Louis	pc 22	pc 19	pc 19	9	7	pc 22	pc 19	9
St. Paul	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Des Moines	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Omaha	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Lincoln	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Sioux Falls	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Denver	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
Phoenix	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9
San Diego	pc 20	pc 17	pc 17	9	7	pc 20	pc 17	9

OTHER U.S. CITIES

CITY	THURS.	FRI.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	sh 38	pc 27	pc 31	16	8	sh 30	pc 22	22
Albuquerque	sh 50	pc 34	pc 34	24	16	sh 40	pc 26	26
Anchorage	sh 32	pc 29	pc 29	16	8	sh 32	pc 29	16
Aspen	sh 34	pc 29	pc 29	16	8	sh 34	pc 29	16
Atlanta	pc 49	pc 35	pc 35	24	16	pc 49	pc 35	24
Austin	sh 61	pc 54	pc 54	42	34	sh 61	pc 54	42
Baltimore	sh 42	pc 31	pc 31	20	12	sh 42	pc 31	20
Birmingham	sh 51	pc 37	pc 37	26	18	sh 51	pc 37	26
Bismarck	sh 21	pc 9	pc 9	0	-8	sh 21	pc 9	0
Boise	sh 30	pc 15	pc 15	4	-4	sh 30	pc 15	4
Boston	sh 40	pc 31	pc 31	20	12	sh 40	pc 31	20
Brownsville	sh 76	pc 70	pc 70	58	50	sh 76	pc 70	58
Buffalo	sh 34	pc 23	pc 23	12	4	sh 34	pc 23	12
Burlington	sh 34	pc 23	pc 23	12	4	sh 34	pc 23	12
Charlotte	pc 49	pc 35	pc 35	24	16	pc 49	pc 35	24
Charlottesville	sh 53	pc 39	pc 39	28	20	sh 53	pc 39	28
Charlottesville WV	sh 43	pc 26	pc 26	15	7	sh 43	pc 26	15
Chattanooga	sh 46	pc 34	pc 34	24	16	sh 46	pc 34	24
Cheyenne	sh 23	pc 15	pc 15	6	-2	sh 23	pc 15	6
Cincinnati	sh 41	pc 21	pc 21	10	2	sh 41	pc 21	10
Cleveland	sh 35	pc 27	pc 27	16	8	sh 35	pc 27	16
Colorado Springs	sh 25	pc 18	pc 18	7	-1	sh 25	pc 18	7
Columbia MO	sh 37	pc 20	pc 20	9	1	sh 37	pc 20	9
Columbia SC	sh 52	pc 34	pc 34	24	16	sh 52	pc 34	24
Columbus	sh 38	pc 22	pc 22	11	3	sh 38	pc 22	11
Concord	sh 36	pc 23	pc 23	12	4	sh 36	pc 23	12
Corpus Christi	sh 73	pc 67	pc 67	55	47	sh 73	pc 67	55
Craigsville	sh 51	pc 44	pc 44	33	25	sh 51	pc 44	33
Dallas	sh 67	pc 59	pc 59	47	39	sh 67	pc 59	47
Daytona Bch.	sh 67	pc 59	pc 59	47	39	sh 67	pc 59	47
Denver	sh 32	pc 22	pc 22	11	3	sh 32	pc 22	11
Des Moines	sh 24	pc 16	pc 16	5	-3	sh 24	pc 16	5
Dubuque	sh 25	pc 10	pc 10	4	-4	sh 25	pc 10	4
El Paso	sh 66	pc 56	pc 56	44	36	sh 66	pc 56	44

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Aspen	sh 34	pc 29	pc 29	16	8	sh 34	pc 29	16
Atlanta	pc 49	pc 35	pc 35	24	16	pc 49	pc 35	24
Austin	sh 61	pc 54	pc 54	42	34	sh 61	pc 54	42
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FORECAST (FC) ABBREVIATIONS: su-sunny pc-partly cloudy cl-cloudy ro-rain ts-thunderstorm sn-snow fl-furries fr-freezing rain sl-sleet sh-showers rs-rain/snow ss-snow showers w-windy na-unavailable

CHICAGO DIGEST

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	32	24	Midway	32	25
Gary	32	27	O'Hare	32	25
Kankakee	32	26	Romeoville	32	24
Lakefront	31	25	Valparaiso	30	25
Lansing	30	25	Waukegan	31	24

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	0.09"
December to date	1.24"	0.46"
Year to date	47.15"	35.10"

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	Trace
Season to date	13.0"	9.4"
Normal to date	2.6"	2.4"

PERIOD	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wind	NW 10-22 kts.	W6-16 kts.
Waves	2-4 feet	1-3 feet
Wed. shore/creeper water temps	38°/37°	

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ALL IS BRIGHT

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Hidden kitchens, smarter appliances among trends for 2019 **PAGE 2** | Tackle invasive buckthorn now **PAGE 4**

Say hello to the hottest incoming trends for 2019

BY LAUREN WHITE
HomeAdvisor

Are you starting the new year with a new project? Why not get an inside scoop on the hottest trends around the corner? Toni Sabatino, the award-winning designer behind Toni Sabatino Style in New York, keeps her finger on the pulse to deliver her clients cutting-edge home interiors. These are her top five trend predictions for 2019.

“Hidden” kitchens: As much as we love being able to see our living rooms from our kitchens, the view from the other side isn't always as attractive. From the couch, the sight of blenders, toasters, refrigerators and dishwashers can disrupt the feel of common areas.

“The open kitchen trend encourages lots of hidden storage and fully integrated appliances for a streamlined look,” Sabatino says. “Tall walls of storage and appliances paired with a large island with seating for prepping and entertaining continue to gain popularity. Cabinet manufacturers are



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In 2019, we'll be mixing more natural-looking materials into our modern designs and hiding our appliances.

creating sliding and pocket door solutions that hide cooking and sink areas as well.”

Organic modernism: Next-level minimal modern spaces will integrate natural elements into simplified rooms.

“I think that simple,

clean lines using organic materials is a trend that will stay with us for some time,” Sabatino says. “Wood, stone, iron, matte black and tiles in colors found in nature create a neutral, contemporary look. Accented with industrial-look kitchen furniture and open shelving, this style is so-

phisticated and family-friendly, as the finishes generally have great durability.”

Smart(er) appliances: Smart dishwashers and clothes dryers can already text you when they're finished, but 2019 is the year that appliances will be

even more connected and helpful.

“There are now numerous appliance manufacturers that offer connectivity through your phone or with voice control,” Sabatino says. “This convenience helps you multitask and save time. New smart features also allow for download of recipes and network-enabled diagnostics for service.”

Wireless charging stations: How many times have you been working off of a recipe on your phone in the kitchen, only to have it die mid-stir? Into 2019, we're getting our long charger cords off of the counters — and away from the splashing sink water. We can now charge wirelessly through our countertops, which helps reduce clutter and inconvenience.

“I think the convenience of wireless, invisible charging stations in kitchen counters will become mainstream,” Sabatino says. “We are never far from our phones, and it seems safer and more convenient to be able to charge wirelessly in the

kitchen.”

Healthier, easier cooking: Convection steam ovens and induction stovetops are growing in popularity as they become more accessible and easier to integrate and use. They make fast, healthy cooking much simpler. And in 2019, we can get closer to achieving our resolutions with the help of better home cooking.

“Steam cooking retains nutrients destroyed by microwave cooking and is also a very efficient way to reheat food without changing the texture,” Sabatino says. “Convection adds the browning option to steam cooking to create healthier, crispier, juicier dishes in less time than a standard oven. Induction is safe and efficient, as the power of magnets is used to generate heat and turns the vessel into the heat source. It sounds complex, but in truth, it's very simple, easy to operate and boils water faster than gas. Look for induction to make a major impact for its performance, easy-to-clean surface, ease of use and safety.”

How to choose the right bar stool

BY KATHRYN WEBER
Tribune Content Agency

There's no doubt the eat-in kitchen has changed. Once large enough to accommodate a full table, kitchens now are outfitted with islands, countertop eating or dining bars. These new uses are great for space saving, but they need the right seating, which means selecting the right bar stool for your needs and style.

Height first: When select-

ing a bar stool, finding the correct height is critical. Too high, and your legs will hit the counter. Too low, and you'll find yourself eating with your arms raised. You'll be both uncomfortable and your bar stool won't look right.

Start by measuring from the floor to the top of the counter. Standard counters are 36 inches high. This is often the height of a kitchen island. This will require a 24- to 26-inch stool. If this is for occasional use, choose

one that doesn't have a back and you may be able to store it under the counter.

For a tall dining bar that's about 42 inches high, a bar stool that's 30 inches tall will fit the bill.

Options: Start first with how you'll use the chair. If you'll only be using it at the counter and not to interact with others in the room, then a stationary bar stool will do. For kitchens that are part of a larger living space, you may want a bar

stool that swivels. They enable you to turn and view the TV or for guests to interact with those in the living room.

Another consideration is whether you want your stool to be backless. These are usually streamlined, but they can become uncomfortable after sitting for prolonged periods of time, though they often store easily. Arms are another choice in bar stools. These are wonderful for those sitting for longer periods.



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Space-saving kitchen islands need the right bar stools.

Style: There is a wide range of styles in bar stools. You'll find stools in wood, metal and rattan, as well as

stool seats covered in fabric. Acrylic is another chic and trendy choice that looks fresh and updated.

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Sweeten the holidays with sugarplum hues

Seasonal looks move beyond red, green and silver

By **KIM COOK**
Associated Press

Amid a seasonal sea of red and green or silver and blue, there's a sweet, alternative palette in holiday decor.

Think of fresh fruits and delectable candies, and you're on the right track — it's an enticing, enchanting array of sugarplum hues that home decorators can have fun with.

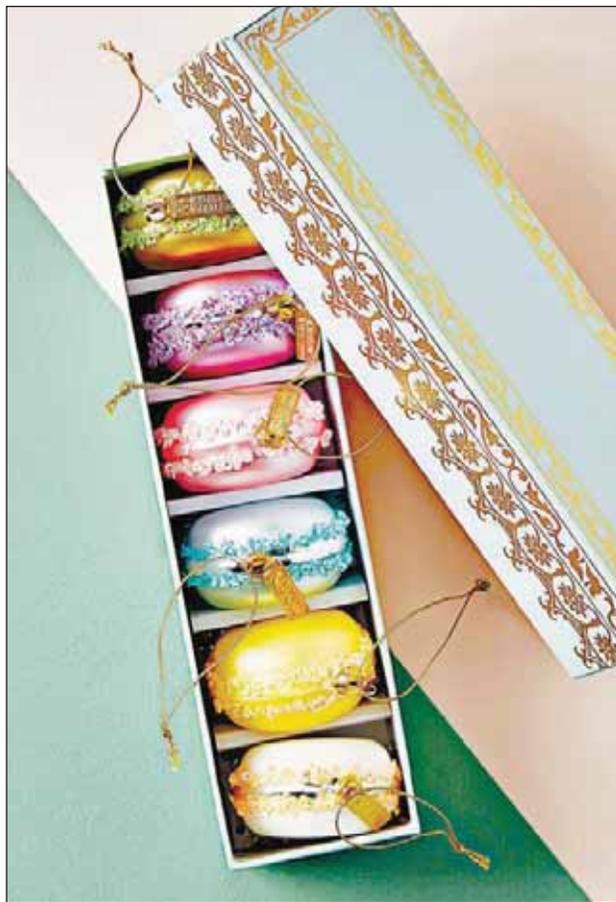
"Pair candy-apple red, plummy pink and berry-bright florals with winter greens for a centerpiece," suggests Melissa Benham of the Chicago interior design firm Studio Gild. "Ornaments in these hues provide an unexpected color pop on the Christmas tree, or a fun twist on the classic menorah when used for Hanukkah candles."

Los Angeles-based designer and author Orlando Soria says color is key to making your holiday celebration shine bright.

Even if you have a rather motley collection of decorations, "adding in plum and berry-hued fabrics, candles, accessories and ornaments is a great way to create a cohesive color scheme," he says.

Target has Opalhouse's soft cozy throw pillows, with either a plaid pattern or "Oh, What Fun" typography, in fresh and festive hues.

The Merrily collection at Pier 1 includes hand-blown stemless wine glasses painted with kicky modern trees in pink, peach and berry. A candy-blue throw pillow is embroidered with the phrase "Merry & Bright" and decorated with tassels. For the tree, there's a garland of felted gum-balls.



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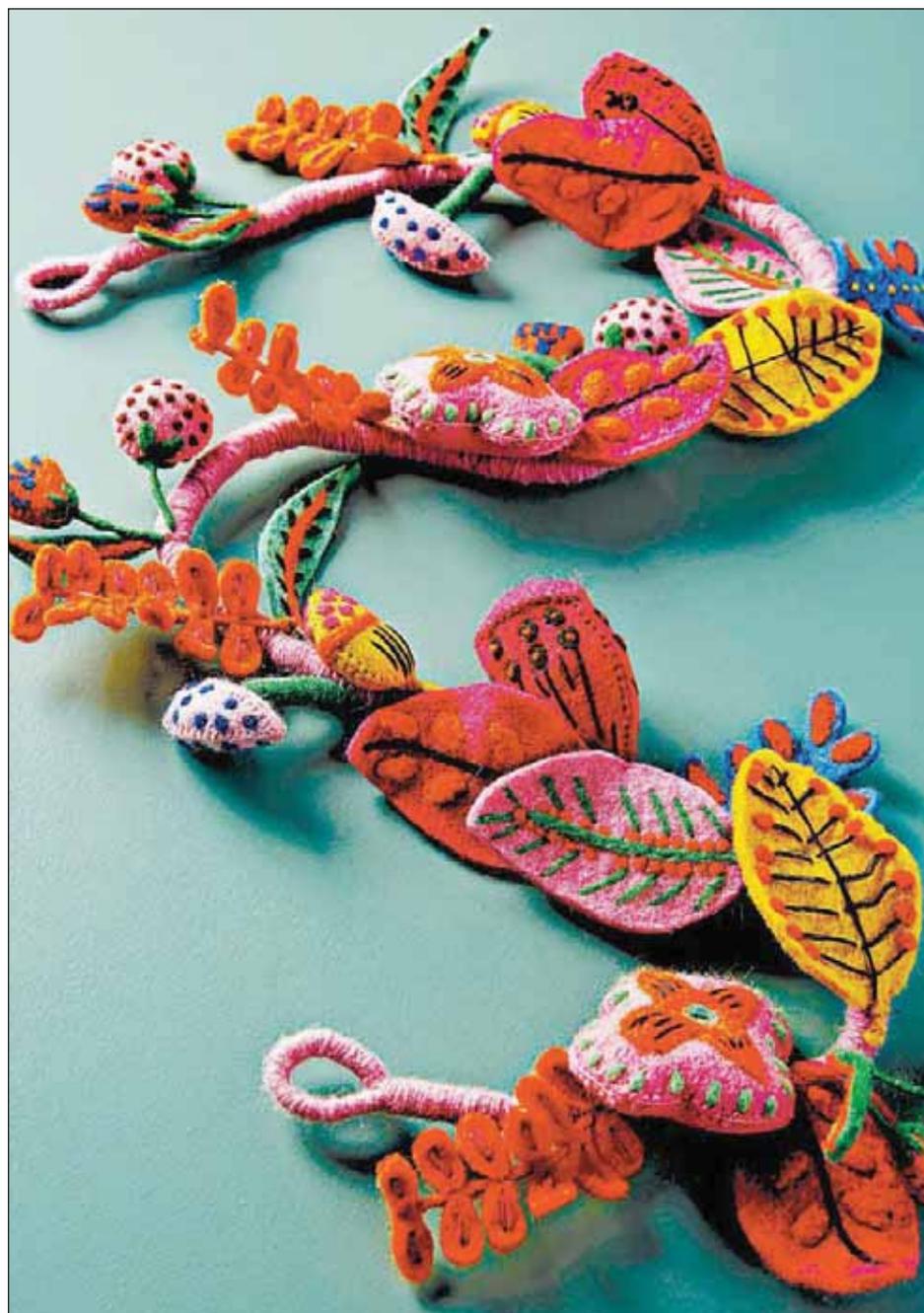
Anthropologie offers a colorful boxed set of realistic glass macaron ornaments.

Sets of wool-wrapped or bottle brush trees in gently hued macaron colors would look pretty on a table with other soft textures and coordinating taper candles; find them all at World Market. Also in sugary pastels is an array of cute little deer at Homegoods, complete with fluffy, marabou-feather collars.

At Wayfair, you'll find tinsel trees in a range of sizes in fruity shades like grape, plum, raspberry and orange. At Horchow, find trios of similarly hued bottle-brush-style trees for display. And Walmart has 40-inch-tall plastic lollipop ornaments in cotton candy, Key lime and blueberry; they might be fun on a garden fence or front-porch railings.

Dress up the tree, mantel, staircase or holiday table with Anthropologie's colorful, felted-wool berry garland. Deck out the Christmas tree with glass ribbon candy or rock candy ornaments in yummy hues, and top it off with a Ferris wheel tree topper festooned with brightly hued tassels. Also here, a boxed set of delicate glass macarons; the ornaments would make a lovely gift for a sweets lover or Francophile.

You'll find more faux sweet treats for the tree or holiday display at Barney's New York, where Kurt Adler's peppermint-candy garland, sprinkle-topped ice cream cones and wrapped-candy ornaments bring all the sweet dreams



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A felted wool berry garland can go on the tree, mantel, a staircase railing or the table.

of the sugarplum season home in style.

Christopher Radko's glass Candy Castle ornament at Horchow depicts detailed candy canes, peppermints and ice cream in hand-painted Polish glass. A tasty-looking, 9-foot gumdrop garland can be had from House of Holiday.

And finally, sweeten the front yard holiday display with Hammacher Schlemmer's Thousand Points of Light indoor/outdoor tree. Available in several sizes, its fiber-optic lights in bright candy colors can be set to swirl and play continuously

or set on a timed display. Now that's visions of sugar-plums truly dancing.



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The Opalhouse throw pillow features festive berry and candy hues for the holidays.



Snow removal companies handle clearing out sidewalks and driveways, sometimes before you even wake up.

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What to expect when hiring a snow removal company

BY PAUL F. P. POGUE
Angie's List

With winter comes the threat of ice, snow and blocked-up driveways. You can brave the chilly labor of removing snow yourself, or you can hire a professional service to clear snowfall for you — sometimes before you even wake up.

You can hire snow removers for a one-time service, but be prepared to wait in that case. Reliable companies already have extensive client lists, so it's a good idea to plan ahead and find someone well before the first winter storm hits.

What should I look for in a snow removal professional?

Start by contacting companies that neighbors recommend or that have good reviews on a trusted online site. Ask these questions:

■ How much snow will trigger service? This is a good question particularly if you only want service when a big storm strikes. Also, tell the company if you have special needs that should give you plowing

priority.

■ What specific services do you provide? Depending on the forecast, many services are at the ready to lay down salt or other de-icing agents as soon as bad weather is expected. If a snow that can't be handled with de-icing is expected, removal companies will plow, haul snow, and shovel sidewalks and other walkways in order to maintain safety.

■ What kind of staff and equipment do you use? Most companies employ radio dispatchers in addition to their snow removal specialists. They may also have at their disposal commercial-grade equipment such as skid steers, front-end loaders, snowplows and pushers.

■ What is the cost for snow removal, and how is it calculated? The cost varies on the market conditions of a particular area and current fuel costs. If you know you live in an area of the country that is likely to experience a certain amount of snow, you may be able to lock in a reasonable rate because the company will expect a minimum amount of work.

On average, you can expect to pay between \$350 and \$400 for a seasonal snow removal contract, or around \$75 for a one-time cleaning.

■ Are you covered? Confirm that the company is appropriately licensed for where you live and holds proper bonding and insurance.

What if I want to do it myself?

If you plan to shoulder some or all of this seasonal chore, take steps to stay healthy:

■ If you don't already have a snowblower, consider getting one. Otherwise, get a lightweight plastic snow shovel with an ergonomic handle to help distribute the load. Use a shovel with a deep scoop to push snow, not lift it.

■ It's better to repeatedly remove smaller quantities of snow than it is to move large amounts at once. If snow is already deep, remove it in layers.

■ As you shovel, keep your back straight, bend at the knees, and use the strength in your hips and thighs to lift or push snow. Don't twist.

Winter a good time to start tackling invasive buckthorn

BY TIM JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

I just purchased a home with a large wooded area that has lots of buckthorn. What is the best way to get rid of the buckthorn, so that I can add native plants? This property has not had any maintenance for many years, so it is a mess.

— Rebecca Cooper, Barrington

Native plants are those perennials, grasses, shrubs and trees that are indigenous to a geographical region. Invasive species like buckthorn are those that, when introduced to a new location where they previously did not grow, spread aggressively, out-competing the native species and eventually taking over the landscape, displacing the native plant communities. They can also take over a garden of ornamental plants if left unchecked.

Buckthorn is one of the most invasive trees in the Chicago region because of its adaptability and ability to reseed and spread quickly over large areas. Birds eat the small black fruit produced by the buckthorn and contribute to the plant's invasive spread. The disruption of these plant communities can have significant impacts on insects and animals too.

This winter will be a good time for you to start removing the buckthorn. You will do less damage to any herbaceous plants when working on frozen and snow-covered ground. Start by using a sharp handsaw or a chain saw to cut stems at ground level. Stems that are larger than 2 to 3 inches in diameter will be difficult to cut with a handsaw. You will save a lot of time by using a chain saw in your situation because it is a large area. A



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Use a sharp handsaw or a chain saw to cut buckthorn stems at ground level. Stems that are larger than 2 to 3 inches in diameter will be difficult to cut with a handsaw.

lopper will work well for cutting smaller stems, while any seedlings that are one-half inch or less in diameter can be hand-pulled in spring when the ground thaws. Removal by hand will be easier if the soil is moist.

It is important to treat the stumps with an herbicide promptly after cutting. It should be within two hours, though sooner is better. Buckthorn can be treated throughout the winter. Be sure to follow herbicide label instructions regarding proper application to ensure your safety and garner the best results.

Water-soluble herbicides like glyphosate (Roundup) or triclopyr amine (Garlon 3A and many brush killers) can be applied to cut stumps when the temperature is above freezing. Oil-based products of triclopyr ester (Garlon 4) can be applied when it is below freezing.

Herbicides can be applied to cut stumps with a paintbrush, wick applicator or low-volume sprayer. Add an indicator dye that

will mark the stumps that have been treated. You can cover the stumps with black plastic to prevent resprouting and avoid using a chemical, but this will take one to two years and not be practical on a large-scale project like yours.

Buckthorn seeds in the soil can continue to germinate for many years, so you have a long-term commitment, along with ongoing annual maintenance, to eradicate the established buckthorn from your garden.

Follow-up control of the seedlings that emerge in the coming years and any stumps that resprout is important or the buckthorn will gradually take over the area again. You will be able to restore this area, and depending on how much you get cleared this winter, you should be able to start adding some native plants in 2019.

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Most roof leaks caused by failing flashings

BY TIM CARTER
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Q: I really need your help. My roof is leaking, and my last attempt to get it repaired was fruitless. It rained again, and water still came in. Where do most roof leaks happen? Is it OK to use caulk or black roofing cement to do a roof repair? I just need you to help get me up to speed, so I can talk with a roofing contractor.

A: Based on my 40-plus years of clambering around on roofs, I'd estimate that well over 90 percent of roof leaks happen at flashings.

A roof flashing is a thing that stops water from coming into your home where something pops up through your roof. That something might be a chimney, a plumbing vent pipe, a powered attic fan, a turbine vent or a dormer, or it might be where two roof surfaces intersect.

You'll also find roof flashings where a lower roof touches up against a taller wall of your home or a neighboring building like the condo next door or the walkup next to your home.

Roof flashings can be made from thin metal, rubber and a few other materials. Some flashings are built into products like a bathroom vent roof cap or the standard plumbing vent pipe flashing.

flashings can be challenging for a rookie roofer. Some flashings are easy to install, while others require considerable skill and an understanding of basic physics



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These step flashings (made of metal, rubber and a few other materials) are the most common roof flashings after the standard plumbing vent flashing.

principles.

I prefer roof flashings made from metal that can be soldered. Copper, galvanized steel, lead and traditional tin-plated steel are examples of these fine materials.

Standard caulk and black roofing cement are not

acceptable materials to use with flashings. The sun's powerful ultraviolet (UV) light breaks down these materials in a few years. It's OK to use caulk and roofing cement as a last resort to make a temporary leak repair, but don't allow a roofer to convince you

they'll work for the long term.

I have some nice photos and videos at my website showing you common roof flashings. These will help you select the best roofer to repair your roof. Visit <http://go.askthe-builder.com/roof flashing>.

Q: I've got a brick chimney, and a contractor told me the crown was crumbling and needs to be repaired. What is a chimney crown, and what's involved in the repair?

A: Chimneys are expensive to repair, so you want

to keep yours in excellent shape.

A chimney crown is the roof of a chimney. Just as the roof on your home keeps water from entering the center of your home, a chimney crown prevents water from soaking down into the core of the chimney.

Just about every chimney crown I've ever seen has been installed wrong. The best ones have a flashing membrane under the crown to capture any water that might leak through the crown material.

Crowns are supposed to overhang the chimney and have a drip kerf on the underside of the overhang. The crown material should be made with concrete that has a blend of hydrated lime, Portland cement and small pea-sized gravel.

Many bricklayers just use the regular mortar mix for the crown material, and they taper it down to the edge of the last row of brick. This is a big mistake, and the Brick Industry Association frowns on this poor practice.

The chimney crown should not touch up against the clay flue liners that are in the center of the chimney. These should be surrounded by a layer of foam so the flue liner can expand and contract without exerting pressure on the crown material. A special high-performance caulk that resists UV degradation fills the top 3/8 of an inch where the crown material is adjacent to the clay flue liners.

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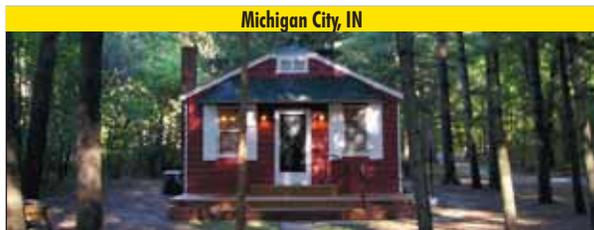
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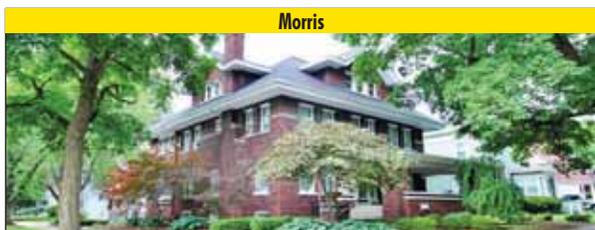
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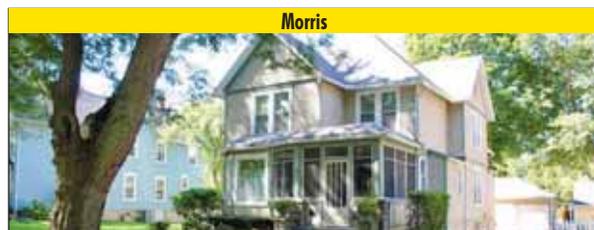
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