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CHICAGO SPORTS

DEFLECTION, DOINKS AND REFLECTION

■ The social-media storm swirling around one of the most infamous moments in Bears playoff history rumbled all day Monday. But in the Bears locker room at Halas Hall, it was quiet. After the NFL changed Cody Parkey's missed field goal to a blocked kick, the Bears are left to ponder the ending that went awry.
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President to tell nation of 'crisis'

After speech, Trump will go to border

BY MATTHEW DALY, CATHERINE LUCEY AND LISA MASCARO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With no breakthrough in sight, President Donald Trump will argue his case to the nation Tuesday night that a "crisis" at the U.S.-Mexico border requires an immediate down payment of several billion dollars for the long and invulnerable wall he's demanding before ending the partial government shutdown.

Hundreds of thousands of federal workers face missed paychecks Friday as the shutdown drags through a third week.

Trump's Oval Office speech — his first as president — will be followed by his visit Thursday to the southern border to highlight his demand for a barrier. White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders tweeted that he will use the visit to "meet with those on the front lines of the national security and humanitarian crisis."

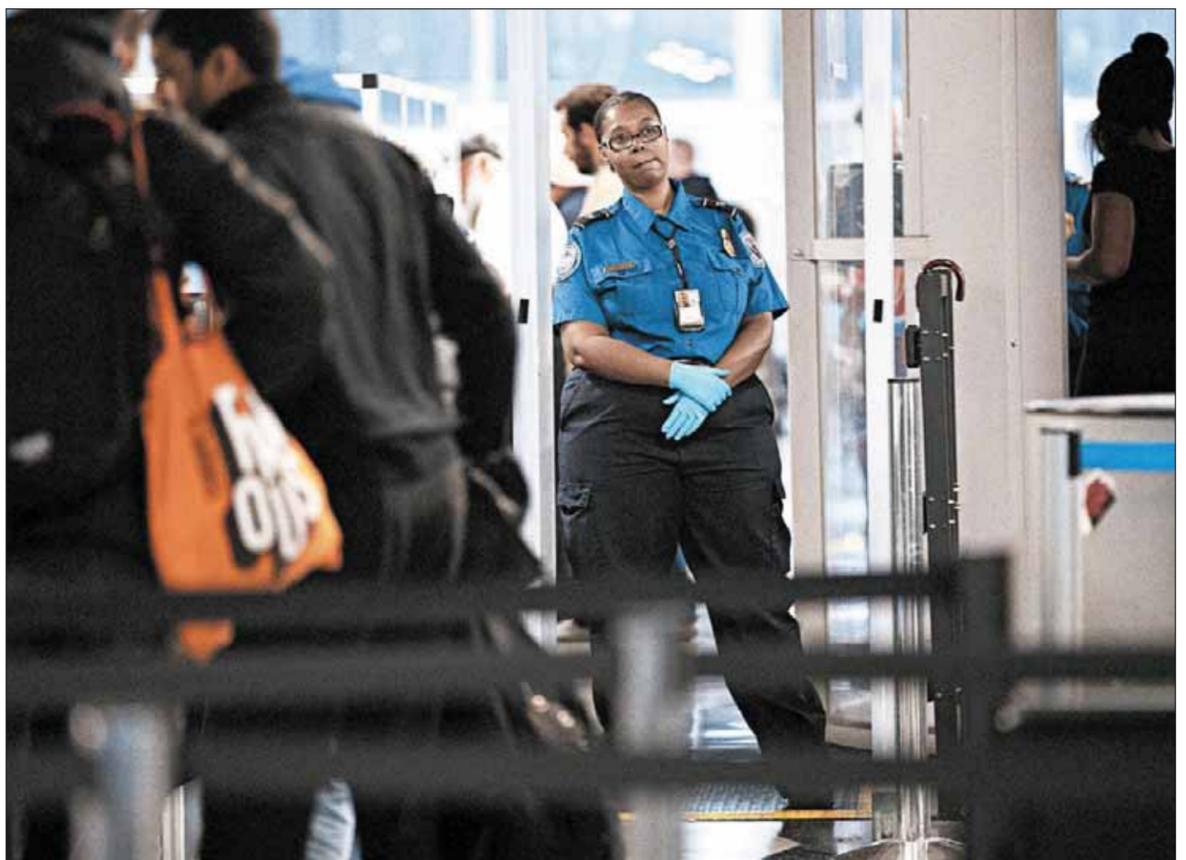
As of 7 p.m. EST Monday, CBS, NBC, ABC, CNN, Fox News and Fox Business Network had confirmed that they would carry Trump's speech, which was expected to run about 8 minutes long. The Fox broadcast network did not respond to a request for comment.

In a joint statement Monday night, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer said Democrats deserved airtime as well to rebut the president's message.

"Now that the television networks have decided to air the President's address, which if his past statements are any indication will be full of malice and misinformation, Democrats must immediately be given equal airtime," they said.

The administration is also at

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Shutdown safety concerns

A Transportation Security Administration agent checks people through security Monday at O'Hare International Airport. Security lines at O'Hare have been normal in recent days, airport officials said. However, U.S. pilots have expressed concerns about the ongoing impact of the partial government shutdown on airport safety. **Page 4**

Spike in cops seeking mental health help

Program staffing lags; at least 5 officers have died by suicide since July

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Police Department's mental health assistance program has more than doubled its contacts with officers and their families since 2013 without any significant increase in clinical

staffing, records show.

The sharp rise in appointments and consultations raises questions about whether the program is overburdened at a time when the department is coping with a cluster of officer suicides. At least five Chicago police officers have died by suicide since July, most recently an off-duty officer on New Year's Day.

The department's employee assistance program, or EAP, of-

fers mental health services such as counseling and debriefings after traumatic incidents.

It registered just over 5,000 consultations and appointments in 2013, according to data released by the department following a Freedom of Information Act request from the Tribune. By the end of 2017, the EAP had more than 12,800 such contacts with officers and family members.

During the same time, clinical therapists on staff rose from

three to five, though a department spokesman says there are plans to hire more counselors.

But outside experts wonder whether those plans are enough. "That service is already being overtaxed," said Arthur Lurigio, a professor of psychology at Loyola University who has studied police officers and mental health.

Lurigio said the EAP has likely been underused for decades,

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Long thought lost, rare vase now up for auction

Piece was created for Chicago's 1893 World's Columbian Exposition

BY KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS
Chicago Tribune

Growing up in her family's restaurant, Spenger's Fish Grotto in California, Alicia Spenger was drawn to the maritime collectibles scattered throughout the building.

One piece in particular drew her in and was the stuff of family folklore.

Her great-grandfather, Frank Spenger Sr., apparently surprised her great-grandmother with an enormous vase, set atop a roughly

2-foot-high, 4-foot-wide base in the penthouse they shared above the Berkeley restaurant, she recalled. It was so large that her great-grandmother politely requested it be relocated downstairs with the rest of his ever-growing collection.

"My great-grandmother was like, what the heck is this thing?" Alicia Spenger recalled with a laugh Wednesday. "I always thought it was stunningly beautiful, but of course, I didn't know anything about its history."

Spenger's closed in October, and now, as the memorabilia are about to be auctioned, the family has learned that the giant vase is

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CLARS AUCTION GALLERY

A vase made by Japanese artists for the 1893 Chicago World's Fair goes on the auction block Feb. 17.

JOHN 'JACK' LYLE 1920-2019

Tuskegee Airman received Congressional Gold Medal

Native Chicagoan also was an avid sailor

BY LOLLY BOWEAN
Chicago Tribune

John "Jack" Lyle was a decorated war hero who served in World War II with the Tuskegee Army and was awarded a Congressional Gold Medal in 2007.

He was a fighter pilot, a sailor, a child musician, an entrepreneur and an amateur inventor. But his last wish was simple: to sit along the dock at Jackson Park Harbor Yacht Club and

watch the waves of Lake Michigan wash by, his wife said.

In his better days, "Jackson Park Harbor is where he spent a lot of his time," his wife, Eunice Jackson-Lyle, said. "It just felt like a natural home to him."

Lyle, 98, died of complications related to prostate cancer on Saturday, just days before he was to travel to the lakefront

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears kicker Cody Parkey misses the potential game-winning kick Sunday against the Eagles in the NFC wild card game.

Bears playoff loss shows why uprights must be abolished



REX W. HUPPKE

The Chicago Bears absolutely should have won their playoff game against the Philadelphia Eagles, and the home team would have been victorious if only people had listened to me over the years as I called for the elimination of "the Yellow Pronged Menace."

I refer, of course, to football goal post uprights. They are malicious, 35-foot-tall pillars known for viciously attacking innocent footballs like the one kicker Cody Parkey launched into the Chicago sky Sunday night in an attempt to win the game.

Were it not for that one upright — a tubular tower of turpitude — Parkey's kick would have sailed over the crossbar, giving the Bears 3 points and a chance to face the Rams next weekend in Los Angeles.

Make no mistake: Parkey's kick was good. On Monday, the NFL ruled the kick was blocked and video of the play shows an Eagles player's hand tipping the ball, but it's still clear that what really kept the kick from sailing over the crossbar was an overly aggressive and likely biased piece of aluminum. (I wouldn't

be surprised to learn that left upright was extruded in Philadelphia and paid off by a coalition of underhanded Pennsylvania bookies. City of Brotherly Love, my butt.)

If you question my upright conspiracy theory, consider this: Including the kick Sunday night, Parkey had six kicks ruined by goal post uprights this season, including four in one game. How is that statistically possible?

Even if there was a logical explanation — perhaps Parkey thought he would get bonus points if he hit the upright? — nothing makes the presence of the uprights fair to a mild-mannered oblong ball that, despite the indignity of receiving a swift kick, wants nothing more than to complete its parabolic trajectory and return home to its family.

It's as if the National Football League itself has something against foot-launched balls, which is more than a little perplexing given that the sport's name consists entirely of the words "foot" and "ball."

I sincerely hope the league will consider the following sensible arguments against goal post uprights:

- 1) They get in the way of the football. I believe both Parkey and I have effectively proved that point.
- 2) They look absolutely ridiculous. It's like a giant,

yellow tuning fork landed in each end zone. At best, it looks like a block-letter "Y," which would only make sense if it stood for "Yay! We just scored!" But there are times when the uprights that help create the letter "Y" prevent fans of teams like the Bears from using that exclamation. In fact, a more appropriate goal post letter for the end of Sunday night's game would have been "H," as in, "Holy crap, how is it possible that our kicker hit the upright six times in one season?"

3) All you need is a cross bar. Kicking a football is hard and weird, and trying to kick a football when 11 large men are angrily running toward you is downright scary. If you're able to kick a leather prolate spheroid 30 or 40 yards over the heads of roughly 3,000 pounds of sweaty human meat and still clear a 10-foot-high crossbar, all while 50,000-some-odd people are screaming at you, it doesn't much matter if you're off an inch or two to the left or right. You have, at that juncture, earned your 3 points, and it's wholly unfair to let some dippy vertical pipe take that away. Also, if you do away with the uprights and just leave the cross bar, each end zone will feature what looks like a large yellow "T," which would logically stand for: Touch-down!; Two-Point Conver-

sion!; or Time for a Field Goal! From an abbreviation standpoint, it makes way more sense than a "Y."

I don't expect any Eagles fans to agree with me on this. They're probably cheering the obvious Philly bias of the left upright that ended the Bears season. But hopefully Bears fans and others who value fairness in sports will see it's long past time for the NFL to do away with the Yellow Pronged Menace.

And so I say to NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell: "Mr. Goodell, TEAR DOWN THOSE UPRIGHTS!"

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A note to readers: The Insult-A-Columnist Holiday Food Drive, which benefited the Greater Chicago Food Depository, officially ended Dec. 31. Despite an inspired late push by the RexStinks team, the RexRocks team prevailed, donating \$59,381.32 to the RexStinks team's \$57,729.98. In total, you wonderful people donated \$117,111.30 to help people in Cook County who face food insecurity. It was the biggest virtual food drive in Food Depository history. Statistically, I have to say that I rock, but I do think the opposing team made a strong argument that I stink. Bottom line: Thank you all for your inspiring kindness. You've helped make the world a better place.

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African-Americans made R. Kelly soar.

They always had the power to bring him down.



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DAHLEEN GLANTON

Lots of troubling information was revealed in the Lifetime network documentary “Surviving R. Kelly.” For African-Americans, it should be a wake-up call.

There is no way of getting around the fact that African-Americans, particularly women, created R. Kelly, the superstar. We bought so many of his recordings that nearly everything he touched reached No. 1 on the music charts.

We couldn't wait to “Step in the Name of Love” on Saturday nights, then turn around and sing “I Believe I Can Fly” in church on Sunday mornings.

It wasn't racism, wealth or societal indifference that allowed Kelly to soar. It was African-Americans. We now know it was a mistake.

There is no need to continue beating ourselves up over the fact

that we allowed Kelly to remain in our good graces way too long. Nothing positive can come from blaming each other for making a collective decision to close our eyes to the allegations of sexual misconduct that swirled around him for decades.

We chose to listen to Kelly's steadfast denials, though we believed in our hearts that the stories of sex with underage girls, holding women in captivity and inflicting physical abuse perhaps were true.

Kelly continues to deny the allegations made by numerous women in the six-part television series that aired last week. But that's on him.

For the rest of us, it is the time for reckoning. Now is the time to face an ugly truth about ourselves as African-Americans as we try to figure out how to move forward.

Chance the Rapper said it straight out in the final installment of the series. He admitted that he'd made a mistake collaborating with Kelly on the song “Somewhere in Paradise” in 2015, while Kelly's alleged victims were speaking out.

The Chicago rapper went on to say, “I didn't value the accusers' stories because they were black women. ... I made a mistake.” That's a powerful statement coming from a black person.

Later, on Twitter, he said the meaning was taken out of context and apologized to the survivors for taking so long to speak out. I wish he would stop backpedaling and stand up and say it louder. That statement was both honest and necessary.

It is difficult for African-Americans to admit that we are sometimes guilty of the same things we often accuse white people of doing. It is shameful to acknowledge that like others, African-Americans also can place less value on the lives of African-Americans. Sometimes, we don't even realize we're doing it.

Like Chance, we gave little credence to the stream of African-American women who were coming forward to talk about the physical and sexual abuse Kelly allegedly inflicted on them. We dismissed them as gold diggers, opportunists and groupies.

For too long, many of us sat by

silently and contributed to the musician's financial coffers, allowing the alleged abuse to flourish. After watching the documentary, we feel ashamed that we did not give more attention to these women.

Thankfully, some African-American women came forward and stood beside them early on. Because of people like Oronike Odeleye and the other co-founders of #MuteRKelly, protests were held, concerts were canceled and record sales diminished.

Gradually, more and more African-Americans began to realize that we had to silence the monster we had created. We began to see that musical genius is less important than human lives. We began looking outward. Now it is time to look inward.

What have African-Americans learned from this episode with R. Kelly?

We learned that we hold the power to put an end to anything that does harm to our communities. We learned that it is useless to wait for others to come in from the outside and do the work for us.

We learned that no good comes from making excuses for the sexual predators who live among us, and that we only empower them by blaming the victims.

And where do we go from here?

We must be vigilant in demanding that anyone who does harm to our community, regardless of their race, be held accountable.

In Illinois, where some of the activities allegedly occurred, there is no statute of limitations on felony criminal sexual assault and sexual abuse crimes against children. We must insist that law enforcement officials do their job and investigate these allegations against Kelly to the fullest extent.

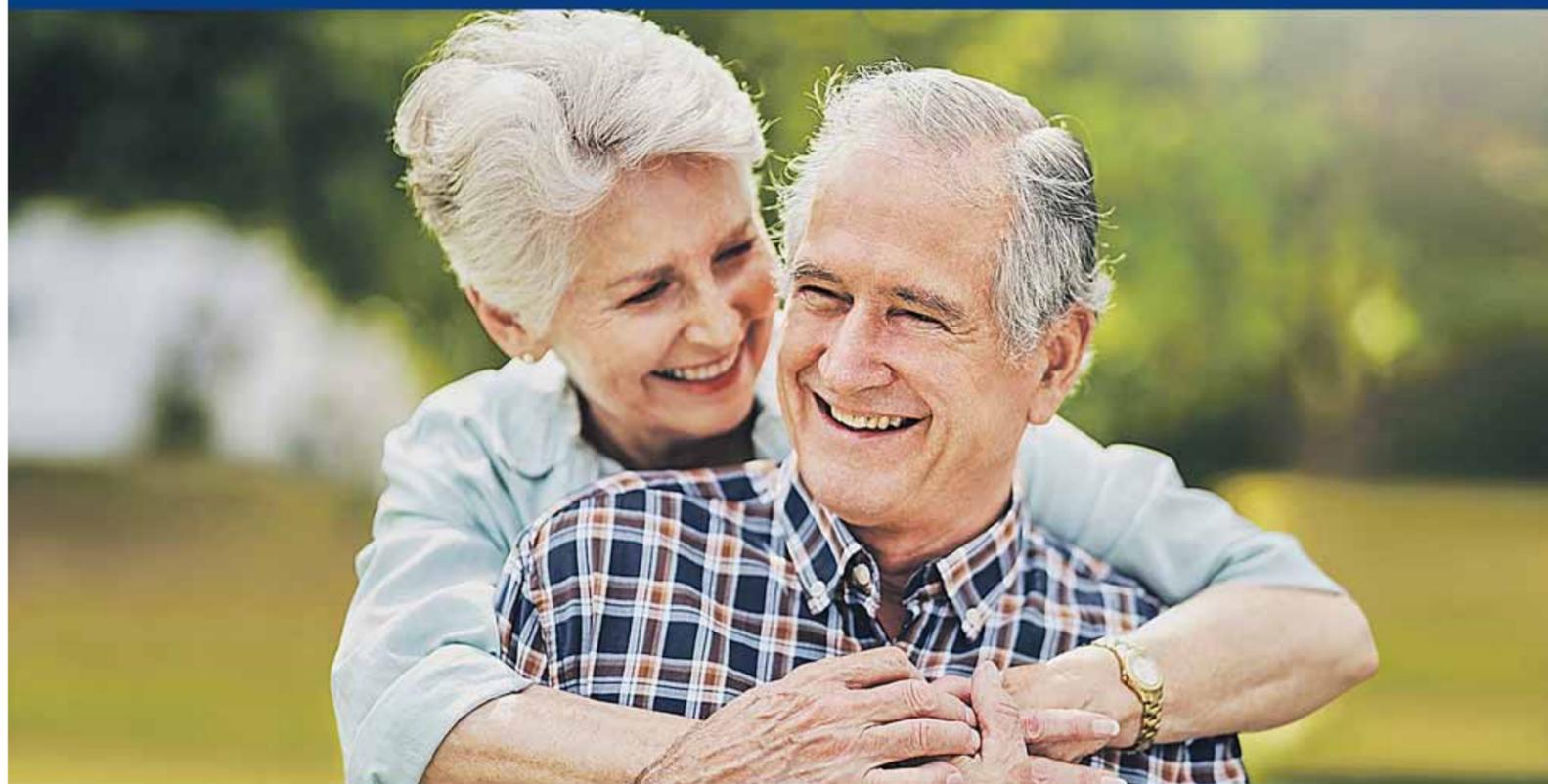
And at the end of the day, we must forgive ourselves for not believing in ourselves. Only then can we start valuing African-Americans the way we want to be valued by others.

Only then can we say, “Black lives matter” as though we believe it.

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Tension escalates amid talk of reform

Chicago mayoral hopefuls, aldermen trade verbal jabs

BY JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

With powerful Ald. Edward Burke weakened by federal charges and the unsavory aspects of business at City Hall at the forefront of voters' minds just weeks before an election, mayoral hopefuls and aldermen literally lined up Monday morning to publicly stake out positions calling for corruption-fighting reforms in local government.

A classic Chicago political circus broke out in the lobby outside City Council chambers, as mayoral candidate Paul Vallas brandished a broom and urged voters to "sweep the bums out" just minutes after mayoral challenger Willie Wilson had a news conference where he said of Chicago aldermen, "they're two-timing people, they're backstabbers, they ain't no good."

Tensions were high as aldermen held their own dueling news conferences to call for packages of ethics reforms to try to take advantage of the sudden public appetite for change following Burke getting charged last week with attempted extortion. With Burke on the defensive, his colleagues who long feared and deferred to the 50-year incumbent are moving into the power vacuum by trying to highlight their own efforts to prevent the kind of abuse he's alleged to have committed.

North Side Ald. Joe Moore, 49th, kicked things off Monday by unveiling a five-point plan to increase the power of the city inspector general to investigate



Candidate Paul Vallas, with a prop at Monday's gathering, called on several rivals to leave the mayoral race.

ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

and subpoena City Council committees, reform city campaign finances and ban outside employment for aldermen.

As Moore talked about his proposal, Southeast Side Ald. Susan Sadlowski Garza, 10th, called out criticism of her colleague for not backing a proposal to audit the workers' compensation program Burke has long controlled. "He didn't sign it," yelled Sadlowski Garza, who was standing nearby with other aldermen waiting to begin their own media event.

Moore said he wasn't asked to join in that proposal, and said Burke's legal problems give the council an unprecedented chance to enact increased oversight of the City Council. "I've long called for expanding the inspector general's power to investigate aldermen, and sponsored several ordinances to that effect, but it was blocked by a majority of my colleagues, in-

cluding Ald. Burke," he said.

Later, Sadlowski Garza ripped "jump-on-the-bandwagon" aldermen who she said haven't been serious about reform until the Burke charges made it politically advantageous to do so.

"All of a sudden having these epiphanies wanting to change things, when the same alderman that stands before the microphone and says that he's now for these ideas, last month and the month before pushed us away and didn't want to be any part of it," she said.

Sadlowski Garza and other members of the council's progressive caucus reiterated their longtime call for the opaque workers' compensation program Burke has long controlled to instead be administered by the city Law Department. Mayor Rahm Emanuel last week said he wants to move it to the city Finance Department.

"We're glad the Emanuel administration has finally taken steps to move workers' comp, but it is many years too late, and it still needs to be codified into law through the passage of the ordinance we proposed last month," said Ald. John Arena, 45th.

Minutes later, Wilson adviser Rickey Hendon, a onetime alderman, called Moore "a hack of Rahm Emanuel."

He also knocked members of the council progressive caucus for their push to have aldermen pick their own chairman to replace Burke on the council's Finance Committee rather than bowing to Emanuel's plan to appoint ally Ald. Pat O'Connor. Letting aldermen pick the chairman "is like opening the door of your house to the burglar," Hendon said. "Why do that?"

That prompted progressive caucus member Arena to yell at

Hendon to "read the rules" of the council. "That's insulting," Arena said.

Hendon told Arena not to interrupt the Wilson news conference. "If you want to interrupt me, I can meet you outside and you can say anything you want," Hendon said.

Wilson, a businessman, said he's the outsider in the mayoral race whose self-financing of his campaign allows him to avoid the kinds of conflicts of interest that get politicians in trouble. "I'm not bought," Wilson said. "Ask them who's giving them the money."

Vallas followed Wilson. He called on mayoral candidates Toni Preckwinkle, Susana Mendoza and Gery Chico to drop out of the race because of their ties to Burke. "This is the arrogance of Chicago politics, when the ruling political class shows their contempt for the people that they govern," he said, broom in hand.

Over the weekend, Southwest Side Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th, announced he would introduce his own package to reform City Council conflict-of-interest rules, which Burke often cites while discussing issues involving clients of his property tax appeal law firm. And Lopez, himself a Burke ally, said he will bring forward a plan to prohibit aldermen from having outside jobs.

Burke was charged by federal authorities with attempting to extort the owners of a Burger King franchise in his Southwest Side ward. He allegedly sought tax business for his private law firm and a campaign contribution for Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle in connection with permits the restaurant owners needed for their renovation.

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Chicago-area workers hit by lingering shutdown

BY MORGAN GREENE
Chicago Tribune

As the fight barrels on between President Donald Trump and Congress over the federal budget and a U.S.-Mexico border wall, the effects of an indefinite partial government shutdown are starting to hit the Chicago area.

Local federal workers who have been furloughed or are working without pay face uncertainty in their everyday lives. More than 40 agencies employ about 40,000 federal employees across the region, according to the Chicago Federal Executive Board.

And though the effects on others are minimal — packages are moving through the mail, airport security workers are inspecting travelers and courts are open — ordinary people who rely on tax refunds, food and housing assistance or other government programs could soon face challenges.

The federal government shutdown last January essentially ended after one workday. A 16-day shutdown in 2013 meant some federal agencies with local offices, including the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Labor and the Small Business Administration, had to cease some operations and send some employees home.

But as federal workers and House Democrats push for a speedy government reopening, Trump has held firm on his \$5 billion border wall demand. A Tuesday night address to the nation and a Thursday visit to the U.S.-Mexico border are planned.

Nicole Cantello, who represents EPA employees as chief steward of the American Federation of Government Employees Local 704, said that more than 800 employees in Region 5 have been furloughed. "That's pretty much everybody. We know of one person that is working at Region 5 right now."

Those still working have been declared essential or have been deployed to environmental emergencies around the nation, like disposing of Camp Fire's hazardous waste in California.

Cantello said she should receive a partial paycheck this week, but the next paycheck in two weeks may not arrive. "Then we have a big swath of people who have been furloughed, who are not working, like myself, who are just very concerned about putting food on their plates," said Cantello, noting two mortgages and a tuition payment she needs to make this month. "Another thing is just the

general insecurity of not knowing when you're going to go back to work."

Illinois farmers also could be affected as the shutdown potentially stalls the Farm Bill and federal aid.

"Illinois farmers already face enough uncertainty from Mother Nature and the president's reckless trade war — but now, the Trump shutdown is causing even more economic stress for (agriculture) producers as they weather a struggling farm economy," U.S. Rep. Cheri Bustos, D-Ill., said in a statement. "This may be a game of chicken for the president but this might mean the family farm for producers in Illinois."

Although some national parks have reportedly closed or become receptacles for garbage and human waste, Superintendent Kathy Schneider said local impact at Pullman National Monument isn't noticeable. The park isn't yet fully operational and only three workers in the administrative office have been furloughed, she said.

Court employees also are reporting for work, but some trials have been shut down. Immigration court hearings also are being delayed with some cases being rescheduled after funding resumes, according to the Department of Justice.

U.S. District Chief Judge Ruben Castillo told the Tribune last month that two weeks into a shutdown, civil trials would be most vulnerable. "We're just about at that point," he said Monday. "If this continues into next week, I will shut down civil trials, which is going to be silly because I've already postponed government lawsuits."

Castillo said another concern is when court employees will be off payroll. "I think we can make the next couple of checks, but going into February is going to be problematic."

A meeting with court employees is scheduled for Wednesday, following Trump's address. "If he comes out tomorrow night and addresses the nation and says, 'I'm sticking to my guns and this shutdown could go months or even a year, I'm going to have a very difficult meeting Wednesday morning explaining to people that they're going to have to continue working without getting their pay,'" Castillo said.

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A TSA employee checks people through security at O'Hare International Airport on Monday.

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Airport safety a shutdown concern; Duckworth warns of long lines ahead

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The security lines at O'Hare International Airport have been normal in recent days, airport officials say, despite reports that Transportation Security Administration workers have been calling in sick in greater numbers because of the partial government shutdown.

However, U.S. pilots have expressed concerns about the on-going impact of the shutdown on airport safety, and U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth, an Illinois Democrat, told reporters at O'Hare on Monday that she envisioned "long, long lines" if the shutdown continues.

"At a time when the nation's security is at stake, we're actually losing the number of TSA agents that are on the job and that is deeply concerning to me," Duckworth said.

On Friday, TSA officials said they were monitoring reports that the nation's airports were experiencing an increase in "sick-outs," as the partial federal government shutdown entered its third week, according to The Washington Post. The TSA said the sick calls so far were having minimal impact, though lines have since been reported at LaGuardia Airport in New York City.

Nationwide, 99.8 percent of passengers waited less than 30 minutes in airport security lines on Sunday, a historically busy day due to holiday travel, while

90.1 percent waited less than 15 minutes, according to a TSA spokesman.

"We are grateful to the more than 51,000 agents across the country who remain focused on the mission and are respectful to the traveling public as they continue the important work necessary to secure the nation's transportation systems," said TSA spokesman Michael Bilello.

Chicago aviation department spokeswoman Lauren Huffman said wait times at the city's airports were less than 15 minutes on Monday and over the weekend, which is normal.

Duckworth predicted lines will get longer if the shutdown continues because some TSA workers could look for other work to pay bills.

"I envision there will long, long lines as the TSA is short-staffed," Duckworth said. "That will affect passengers, that will affect air travel, that will affect businesses and will cause us to lose tremendous amounts of money both for the airport and the city of Chicago."

President Donald Trump has threatened to keep the government shut down until he gets \$5.7 billion to build a border wall with Mexico.

Matt Muchowski, a spokesman for the American Federation of Government Employees, said TSA workers' most recent paycheck covers the pay period that ended Dec. 22.

Government funding expired Dec. 21, so those paychecks

could be short a day's pay, depending on whether there was residual funding available to make up the difference, Muchowski said.

"We're hearing a lot of concern," he said. "People are worried. People are thinking about what they are going to do."

The union has sent information to workers about how to apply for unemployment and shared information on other resources, Muchowski said.

Last week, Air Line Pilots Association International, which represents 61,000 pilots, urged Trump to take the "necessary steps to immediately end the shutdown of government agencies that is adversely affecting the safety, security and efficiency of our national airspace system."

The association said there are fewer FAA safety inspectors than are needed to ensure air traffic control is running at peak performance.

Ryan Storm, 27, of Schaumburg, who had just gotten off a flight from New York at O'Hare on Monday, said he hopes the shutdown will be resolved soon, and that both Democrats and Republicans should help.

"I hope they get this settled so these people (the TSA) will be taken care of," Storm said.

A rally is planned at Chicago's federal plaza on Thursday, calling for an end to the shutdown, Muchowski said.

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Appeals court upholds conviction of Chicago cop for firing 16 shots into car filled with teens

Former officer serving 5-year sentence sees bid for new trial rejected

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A federal appeals court on Monday rejected a bid for a new trial by ex-Chicago police Officer Marco Proano, saying the “brazenness alone of Proano’s actions” in firing 16 shots into a car filled with teens was enough for the jury to find he’d used excessive force.

Proano, 43, is serving a five-year sentence at a low-security prison camp in Pennsylvania. He was the first Chicago police officer in decades, if not ever, to be convicted for an on-duty shooting.

A jury found the veteran officer had used excessive force in firing 16 times into a moving vehicle filled with teens during a South Side traffic stop in December 2013, wounding two. The incident was captured on police dashboard camera video that was played over and over at the trial and reviewed frame by frame.

Proano’s attorney, Daniel Herbert, appealed the conviction on several grounds, arguing that the jury improperly heard evidence of Proano’s training at the police academy and that prosecutors had relied on inadmissible statements the officer made in administrative proceedings.

But in the 23-page ruling issued Monday, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said those arguments did not hold up. Not only was the evidence properly introduced, the court wrote, but also the jury’s finding that Proano had acted outside the bounds of his training was completely reasonable given the video of the shooting.

“The brazenness of Proano’s actions alone could have supported the jury’s conclusion,” said the opinion of the three-judge panel, which was written by Judge Amy St. Eve. “Despite the car not threatening anyone’s safety, Proano fired 16 shots at it, including several after the car began idling.”

The court also rejected Proano’s arguments originally made at trial — that he opened fire to protect

one of the teens, who was hanging out of the passenger window of the Toyota as it began to reverse.

The jury could have easily concluded that based on the video, that assertion was “flatly not believable,” the opinion said.

Proano’s case became a public flashpoint amid the Laquan McDonald shooting scandal in 2015 after a Cook County judge released to the Chicago Reporter the shocking dashcam video of Proano aiming his gun sideways and firing as the Toyota backed away from him.

In sentencing Proano last year, U.S. District Judge Gary Feinerman said the officer’s actions that night were “exceptionally unjustified” and an insult to hard-working officers who serve and protect. Two of the teens were wounded, but all five in the vehicle were lucky they weren’t killed, the judge said.

“Mr. Proano was not maintaining the ‘thin blue line’ that separates us from anarchy and chaos and violence,” Feinerman said. “He was bringing the chaos and violence. He was the source of it.”

In his remarks to the court, Proano said he believed the anti-police “climate” contributed to the decision to charge him. Proano is scheduled to be released in May 2022, according to the U.S. Bureau of Prisons.

Herbert, Proano’s lawyer, expressed disappointment in the court’s decision and said the video “does not tell the whole story.”

“In this climate, it is very difficult for police officers to get a fair shake or the benefit of the doubt from the legal system or the public especially when video is involved,” Herbert said in a statement. “Marco was forced to make a split-second decision under very stressful conditions. ... Perhaps in hindsight, it was a misjudgment, but it was not a crime.”

Records show the 2013 incident was Proano’s third on-duty shooting in three years. In 2010, he was one of five officers who opened fire on a car after a chase and crash in the 700 block of West 91st Street. Less than a year later, in July 2011, Proano fatally shot 19-year-old Niko Husband at close range during a struggle as police



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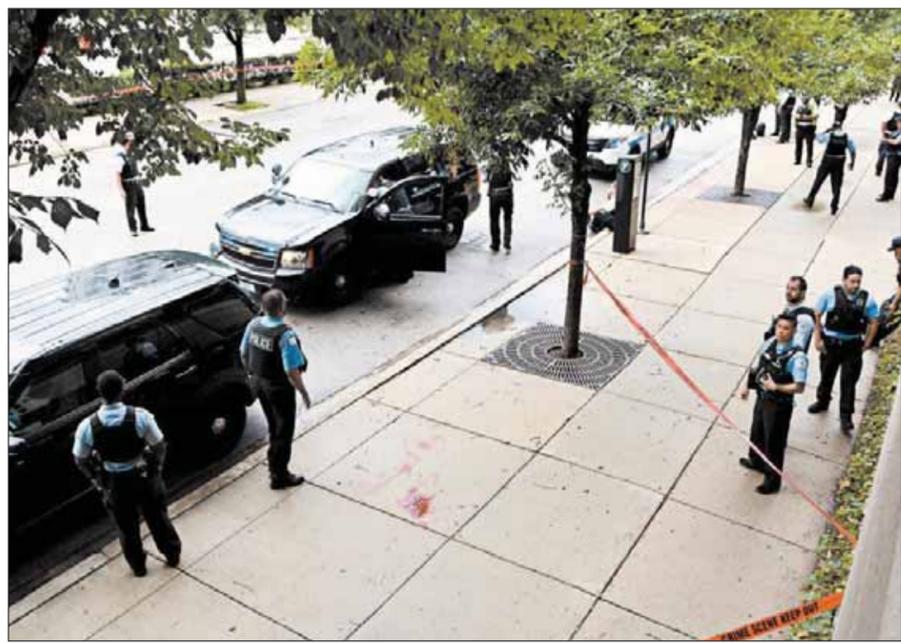
A federal appeals court upheld the excessive force conviction of former Chicago police Officer Marco Proano.

tried to break up an unruly dance party on the South Side. Proano said Husband had tried to pull a gun.

Proano was cleared in both shootings by the now-defunct Independent Police Review Authority, records show. For Husband’s shooting, he also was given a superintendent’s award of valor — bestowed for acts of “outstanding bravery or heroism.”

A Cook County jury later ruled that the shooting of Husband was unjustified and awarded his mother \$3.5 million in damages.

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Chicago police officers stand near where a police sergeant was found unresponsive in his squad car in the West Loop on Sept. 3. At least five CPD officers have died by suicide since July.

Plan to hire more counselors

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given stigmas in law enforcement about seeking mental health help. With many rank-and-file officers historically reluctant to seek counseling, the department may not have been motivated to invest in counseling services.

The rising numbers may indicate the stigma is lessening, or that officers have been under more stress in recent years, experts say. One mental health professional suggested the rise in 2017 could stem from the rise in shootings in 2016, the city’s deadliest year since the 1990s.

“The Police Department should take this seriously and put a lot of resources toward such programming,” Lurigio said.

The caseload figures show a steady increase each year, with the exception of 2015, which saw a slight decrease. In 2014, staff clinicians handled more than 7,900 appointments and consultations, followed by about 7,400 in 2015. The number jumped in 2016 to more than 9,000.

By 2017, the caseload was more than twice what it was four years earlier.

The department plans to hire six more clinicians, bringing the number to 11, according to Chicago police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

“We have been taking this issue of suicides very seriously,” Guglielmi said, pointing to the hiring in progress as well as an expanded peer support program

“Most of the time it’s quiet, with nothing to do, then you go from zero to 60 to 100 mph responding to violence, accidents, child abuse, domestic violence, the worst things people do to one another. That vicariously affects them.”

— Arthur Lurigio, professor of psychology at Loyola University who has studied police officers and mental health

and clergy added to the department’s chaplain ministry.

Under the peer program, an officer can call a number anytime to talk to a fellow officer, confidentially. Peer program volunteers also show up at scenes of “traumatic events.”

Guglielmi attributed some of the EAP caseload to the department’s work to increase awareness and outreach for its mental health offerings.

The planned hires would bring the department into compliance with a consent decree that requires the EAP staff at least 10 full-time clinicians by 2020.

The mandate stemmed from a 2017 report by the U.S. Department of Justice. The report noted that EAP clinicians were already overextended in 2015 when there were just three clinicians.

“Every day, counselors check the phones and ‘triage,’ many times having to rearrange scheduled appointments, shorten meetings to fit in more people, or

cancel others to address more serious crises,” the report stated.

Since the Justice Department investigation, consultations and appointments have increased by more than 70 percent while the number of clinical therapists has risen by just two.

The department hired one of the clinicians in November 2017 and the other in May 2018, according to the response to the Freedom of Information request. It’s not clear when the department will hire the six other clinicians. Guglielmi said the hiring process was ongoing.

Lurigio said the need for more help is critical.

“Any time police are on street, it’s stressful,” he said. “Most of the time it’s quiet, with nothing to do, then you go from zero to 60 to 100 mph responding to violence, accidents, child abuse, domestic violence, the worst things people do to one another. “That vicariously affects them.”

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Decorated Tuskegee Airman fond of Jackson Park Harbor

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with help from a nursing and palliative care team.

Affectionately known as “Captain Jack,” he was among the last survivors of the Tuskegee Airmen, the trailblazing group of African-Americans who integrated aviation in the military during World War II.

Lyle was born in Chicago and grew up on the South Side. He graduated from Englewood High School and in 1943 joined the military, Jackson-Lyle said. But rather than focus on being a foot soldier, Lyle decided he wanted to be trained as an airman, his wife said.

“That was the time when society felt that people of color didn’t know how to do anything,” she said. “There was discrimination in the military, but he still signed up for it because he knew who he was and what he could do.”

Lyle became a part of a storied group of black soldiers that defied expectations in a segregated military during a time when it was believed African-Americans couldn’t be trained in aviation.

Tuskegee Airmen is the nickname given to the men who trained in Tuskegee, Ala., one of the only places in the 1940s that blacks interested in military aviation could train. A group of about 1,000 — most all of them African-American — became pilots. Some were trained as airplane mechanics and radio control workers and for other support jobs, but all were considered Tuskegee Airmen.

Being trained as a pilot fit Lyle’s ambitions. As a child in Chicago, he had been groomed to set and achieve lofty goals, his wife said. He had private piano and violin lessons and his mother made sure he had a full encyclopedia set and library stocked with classics.

In his free moments, he would read books about sailing and would walk to Monroe Harbor to look out over the lake. That planted in him a love of bodies of water and a fascination with boats.

During his time in the service, Lyle became known for his heroism. But for him, it was just part of serving.

“He didn’t feel that he needed any accolades,” Jackson-Lyle said. “He was a very modest person. He did what he enjoyed without care of what other people thought. He never felt he had to prove anything.”

Lyle served for three years in the U.S. Army Air Forces. He flew 26 combat missions and his military service took him to Italy, Austria and parts of Germany, he once told a reporter.

After World War II ended, he

returned to Chicago. He attended college here but struggled to find work. Desperate, he took a job washing the windows of skyscrapers downtown.

“His mother happened to be shopping and saw him. She was so appalled,” his wife said. “She told him he was better than that — he had been in the military. He felt he couldn’t find a better job so he did what he had to.”

After being chastised by his mother, Lyle quit and took on jobs including selling insurance. Eventually, he decided to go into business for himself. He owned a fish and chicken restaurant and ran a tree-cutting service. At times, he tried his hand as an inventor, with such items as an exercise band, but he was never able to secure a patent and the projects never took off.

It wasn’t until 1957 that he bought his first sailboat, a move that fulfilled a childhood dream, he told a Tribune reporter in 2011.

When he was a small child, Lyle would play with a toy sailboat in the bathtub, and as he grew up he played with his toys in Washington Park’s lagoon, he said.

“I loved to look out on stormy days ... I thought, ‘I sure would like to have a boat one day,’” he said.

Purchasing the 26-foot boat opened a new world, his wife said. Not only did it place him in the waters he spent so many years watching, it gave him an outlet to channel his passion and competitive spirit. For Lyle, being on the water was freeing, his wife said.

“He had a brilliant mind and that made him the best sailor,” his wife said. “The winds change, so he had to be sharp and ready for anything. He took classes on boating. And he got his captain’s license.”

Besides his wife, Lyle is survived by three stepchildren. He lived in Auburn Gresham for about 37 years.

Lyle was among an early wave of African-Americans that integrated the Jackson Park Yacht Club, his wife said. He became a well-known sailor there, developing a reputation for his skill maneuvering his boat. In his lifetime, he owned more than seven boats.

At 91, Lyle became the oldest person named “Yachtsperson of the Year” by the Chicago Yachting Association.

“I don’t know what I’ve done to deserve this award,” he said at the time. “Gary Johnson, a famous yachtsman who has sailed all over the world, who has written books and has raced in ocean races, is going to present the award to me.”

“What can he say about me?”

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Lawmakers likely to let Pritzker give agency heads 15% raises

Proposal also would allow ouster of Illinois Tollway board members

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It’s still a week before Democratic Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker takes over for Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner, but lawmakers started giving him a little help Monday, advancing legislation that would allow him to pay state agency directors more money and oust members of the Illinois Tollway board.

One proposal an Illinois House committee advanced would let

Pritzker pay new agency heads 15 percent more.

Supporters contend that Illinois trails other big states in the salaries it offers for big jobs. The heads of the state Department of Corrections and Department of Transportation, for example, make about \$150,000 per year.

“Many critical positions — including those that protect our safety and security — no longer have competitive salaries, and we are moving to bring them in line with their peers around the country to attract talent,” Pritzker spokeswoman Jordan Abudayyeh said in a statement.

The proposal now moves to the full House, which must approve it

before a new class of lawmakers is sworn in Wednesday or else start the process over.

The move to give pay raises to top state officials comes as Pritzker on Monday will inherit a state government with deep financial troubles, including a \$7.1 billion pile of unpaid bills and rising annual pension payments that threaten to crowd out other priorities the new governor and lawmakers will want to spend money on.

Still, Democratic state Rep. Christian Mitchell of Chicago, who sponsored the pay raise bill



Pritzker

but will join the Pritzker administration soon, told a House panel the higher salaries were needed.

“We cannot fix the things that are wrong with the state if we do not have the top talent to do so,” Mitchell said.

Another plan would let the incoming governor replace the Tollway board now chaired by former Republican DuPage County chairman and candidate for governor Bob Schillerstrom amid controversies over contracts and spending on expensive banquet tickets.

Republicans voted for both proposals, and a spokesman for

House GOP leader Jim Durkin said he will support both “as a gesture of good faith moving forward,” helping clear the way for their likely approval in the coming days.

They might be among the final acts of Illinois’ 100th General Assembly, which convened two years ago amid a budget stalemate between Rauner and Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan.

Rauner mostly has stayed out of the public eye since losing in November.

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Chicago State to pay \$650K to end faculty blog lawsuit

2 professors alleged university had violated their academic freedom and free speech rights

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A bitter lawsuit between Chicago State University and two professors who published a blog rebuking school leadership is coming to an end after more than four years.

Chicago State has agreed to pay \$650,000 in damages and attorneys fees to professors Robert Bionaz and Phillip Beverly, concluding yet another costly litigation involving the Far South Side institution in recent years. The professors alleged that the university violated their free speech rights in repeatedly trying to shut down their blog, CSU Faculty Voice, which they billed as “the faculty’s uncensored voice.”

Launched in 2009, the blog has criticized university administrators, particularly former President Wayne Watson. Faculty members who contributed posts lambasted a culture of cronyism and questioned ballooning administrative salaries and perks even as enrollment and graduation rates fell. Professors also criticized the university’s revolving door of leadership in the past three years: Four people have served as president or interim president since Watson retired in 2015.

After years of disputes, Bionaz and Beverly sued Chicago State in 2014 aiming to stop the school from interfering with the blog. The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, a Philadelphia-based advocacy group, joined the suit in support of the professors.

Bionaz, who taught history, retired from Chicago State last year. Beverly is a political science professor.

“I’m glad it’s come to a conclusion,” Beverly said. “If there were to be a postmortem about this, there’s enough responsibility in a number of places to be laid as to why state resources were wasted in this way.”

Beverly noted the litigation ended after Chicago State’s newest president, Zaldwaynaka “Z” Scott, was hired last summer.

“I’m hopeful that the current administration that had to clean this mess up learns not to create messes like this in the future,” Beverly said.

Bionaz called the settlement “a repudiation of the Watson administration’s egregious efforts to stifle speech on the Chicago State campus,” and condemned how long it dragged on after Watson left his post.

“This was completely unnecessary,” Bionaz said. “I hope this signifies an effort

to put the university’s interests over anything else.”

The dispute leading to the lawsuit began in late 2013 when university officials sent Bionaz and Beverly a cease-and-desist notice demanding they shut down the blog. The university’s attorney at the time alleged the professors’ blog improperly used university “trade names and marks” and said the site violated school policy “requiring civility and professionalism of all University faculty members.”

The university went after the blog again in January 2014, demanding the professors change the primary photograph and the domain name.

In their lawsuit, Bionaz and Beverly alleged the university’s attempts to stymie the blog were unconstitutional. Their suit listed Watson, former general counsel Patrick Cage, former associate general counsel Janelle Carter and the board of trustees as defendants.

The case took a dramatic turn in 2015 when a former university administrator accused Watson of pressuring her into lodging a false sexual harassment claim against Beverly.

The university also agreed to revamp school policies governing cyberbullying and computer usage, the latter of which banned “any communication which tends to embarrass or humiliate,” according to a news release from the Philadelphia foundation. Chicago State must implement the new policies within 60 days and provide training to employees enforcing the policies within three months, according to the settlement agreement.

“The new policies were crafted with input from FIRE, which supported the professors’ lawsuit,” the foundation and Chicago State said in a joint statement. “FIRE also expressed its willingness to work with CSU’s new administration in the future with respect to the revision or adoption of policies that may affect individual rights on campus.”

“The university is moving forward,” said a university spokeswoman, Sabrina Land. Watson could not be reached for comment.

The university, long beset with financial problems, has paid multiple big settlements to employees who filed whistleblower lawsuits against the school. It paid a former attorney \$4.3 million in 2017, some three years after a Cook County jury sided with the attorney in a trial.

The university paid \$1.3 million also in 2017 to a former financial officer who alleged he was fired for reporting misconduct by Watson.

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Beverly

Japanese vase shown at Chicago’s 1893 World’s Fair up for auction

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one of three rare vases made with the enamel technique known as cloisonne that Japanese artists produced for display at the 1893 World’s Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

After the California property was leased out in 1999, the Spengers left the distinctive collection behind. But now that a new owner has come along, the family is putting many collectibles up for sale, including the vase and a 34-carat diamond, said Deric Torres of Clars Auction Gallery in Oakland.

Torres, who grew up visiting the restaurant on special occasions, thought the enormous diamond “must be fake, like something you see at Disneyland,” he said. But as an adult interested in history, he now realizes the vase he admired was a real gem.

Of three monumental World’s Fair cloisonne pieces — two vases and a large incense burner that resembles a vase — two sit in museums. The third, the one up for auction, depicting a dragon meant to represent China, was thought to be lost, but also was on display, albeit as part of Spenger’s decor.

“It was on display at Spenger’s restaurant in Berkeley all these years,” said Torres, who worked with the Spenger family to bring the vase up for auction Feb. 17. “The three vases at the fair, sent to represent Japan, are said to be the best vases ever produced in Japan.”

The wooden bases that each of the pieces rests on are said to have taken one craftsman four years to carve, Torres said.

“The vases were approved by the emperor himself before being sent to the fair,” he added.

Torres said experts believed the vase had been lost or destroyed, but his research showed that San Francisco Chronicle owner M.H. DeYoung brought one of the vases west for an 1894 midwinter fair in Golden Gate Park after the Columbian Exposition.

A 2006 article about Japanese art at the Columbian Exposition by associate professor Judith Snodgrass of Western Sydney University in Australia appears to corroborate what Torres learned. In discussing the vases on display at the fair she explains:

“I have not yet located the second vase, but understand that it was exhibited alone at the California Mid-Winter Fair, San Francisco, 1894. Since such items were for sale, it may be in an American collection.”

That all three pieces survived and have been located is remarkable, Torres said. Out of dozens of enormous buildings erected for the Columbian Expedition, only the Museum of Science and Industry — originally the Fine Arts Building, where a catalog of the fair says the three pieces were displayed — remains standing, yet all three vases survive unscathed.

Another Chicago institution, the Field Museum, credits the fair for its own creation. An article in the Tribune three years before the fair called for the creation of a museum to house all the artifacts that would be on display at the exposition, according to a history of the museum on its website.

“On June 2, 1894, the museum opened to the public in the Palace of Fine Arts Building in Jackson Park (which was rebuilt in the 1930s and now houses the Museum of Science and Industry),” according to the history.

Alicia Spenger said she was unaware of the significance of the 8-foot-tall vase until after she enlisted Torres’ help in selling some items from the restaurant.

The vase isn’t the first item from Japan to have been displayed at the 1893 fair and later rediscovered. In 2015 Chicago Park District officials confirmed they found in a storage facility three sliding door paintings believed to have been displayed in the Phoenix Pavilion at the fair. Japan gave the pavilion to the city as a gift during the exposition, with an aim of promoting Japanese culture. In contrast, much of the fine art that was exhibited at the fair was on loan from Chicago cultural elites, said Julia Bachrach, retired historian for the Chicago Park District.

Torres said he originally believed the vases were also displayed at the Phoenix Pavilion, but he later learned the ornate drawings on the vases actually represented some radical ideas.

“I thought that these were sent for the Japanese exhibition hall, but in fact they were relegated to a different part of the fair because they were political in nature,” he said. “It was a pretty big political statement. For example, one of the vases’ title is ‘The Threat of Imperial Russia,’” he said.

The vase first was appraised at \$10,000 to \$15,000 before its origin was uncovered; the auction house has since increased its estimated value to between \$30,000 to \$50,000. The opening bid will be \$15,000, Torres said, adding he’s hopeful it could end up in an institution such as the Field Museum.

“I think that would be the icing on the cake if it ended up going from Japan to Chicago to San Francisco back to Chicago,” he said.

Spenger said while she certainly could understand if the Field Museum were interested in the vase, she has her own dream scenario.

“The person who painted these beautiful birds and ducks on it, what if it was a descendant of a person who painted them that ended up with it? That would be so meaningful to me,” she said.

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Catholic church faces reckoning

Pa. report prompts nearly 50 dioceses to publicly identify child-molesting priests

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PHILADELPHIA — Over the past several months, Roman Catholic dioceses across the U.S. have released the names of more than 1,000 priests and others accused of sexually abusing children in an unprecedented public reckoning spurred at least in part by a shocking grand jury investigation in Pennsylvania, an Associated Press review has found.

Nearly 50 dioceses and religious orders have publicly identified child-molesting priests in the wake of the Pennsylvania report issued in mid-August, and 55 more have announced plans to do the same over the next few months, the AP found. Together they account for more than half of the nation's 187 dioceses.

The review also found that nearly 20 local, state or federal investigations, either criminal or civil, have been launched since the release of the grand jury findings. Those investigations could lead to more names and more damning accusations, as well as fines against dioceses and court-ordered safety measures.

"People saw what happened in these parishes in Pennsylvania and said, 'That happened in my parish too.' They could see the immediate connection, and they are demanding the same accounting," said Tim Lennon, national president of the board of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, or SNAP.

The recently disclosed

accusations date back six or seven decades in some cases, with the oldest from the 1910s in Louisiana. Most of the priests were long ago removed from ministry. An AP examination found that more than 60 percent are dead. In most cases, the statute of limitations for bringing criminal charges or suing has run out.

But advocates say exposing molesters nearly two decades after the scandal first erupted in Boston in 2002 is an encouraging step, in part because it gives some victims a sense of vindication after decades of official silence or denials.

Also, it could increase pressure on dioceses to set up victims' compensation funds, as the church has done in Pennsylvania already. And it could result in the removal of molesters from positions outside the church that give them access to children.

"This is a milestone. We are getting closer and closer to what this ought to be, the true coming to terms that would have to be at a national level," said Joe McLean, who filed a lawsuit with other victims seeking to compel the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to release files on alleged abusers nationwide.

The Pennsylvania investigation, led by state Attorney General Josh Shapiro, identified nearly 300 "predator priests" dating back seven decades and accused church leaders of covering up for the abuses, in some cases by returning priests to duty after short stays in treatment centers, or reas-



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Victims of clergy sexual abuse react as Pennsylvania's attorney general speaks last August.

signing them.

Advocates said the report had a big impact because it was the largest to date in scope, encompassing most of the state.

Victims' advocates and others, including some church officials, said the report was largely responsible for the urgency now being shown by the church. Many bishops cited those findings and other scandals — including the resignation over the summer of Washington Archbishop Theodore McCarrick, accused of groping an altar boy in the 1970s — in their letters to their congregations.

The biggest list of names has come from the Jesuits West Province, a religious order that encompasses nine Western states. It identified 111 priests.

The New Orleans Archdiocese and the Diocese of

Syracuse, N.Y., named 61 and 57, respectively.

The Great Falls-Billings Diocese in Montana disclosed 47 names, including those of a few nuns, while the Los Angeles Archdiocese reported more than 50 from the past decade or so.

Some dioceses, such as Peoria, Ill., released only names with no information on the allegations or the church's response. Others detailed such things as parish assignments, numbers and dates of allegations — including an Omaha priest with 20 to 35 accusations against him — and attempts at treatment, restriction and punishment.

And more names could be coming in places where attorneys general have launched statewide investigations such as New Jersey, New York, Nebraska, Florida and Delaware, or in

cities such as Houston or Cheyenne, Wyo., where local prosecutors are looking into individual priests.

In his Christmas address last month, Pope Francis made an unprecedented call for priests who had abused children to turn themselves in and vowed the church will "never again" hide their crimes. The world's bishops will hold a summit at the Vatican next month to forge a comprehensive response to the crisis.

The U.S. bishops adopted new reporting procedures and other reforms after the furor in Boston but held off on any further measures recently at the direction of the Vatican.

In the 16 years between the Boston scandal and the Pennsylvania investigation, only about 30 dioceses around the country had

released lists of priests they deemed credibly accused of abuse. Most of those dioceses came clean because they were forced to do so by lawsuits or bankruptcy filings. Some dioceses declined to name any deceased priests, since they could not defend themselves, and some would not identify any clergy members at all.

Now, 13 dioceses have hired outside consultants, including FBI agents and former judges, to review their files, and dioceses that had previously been secretive are coordinating to release statewide lists in such places as Texas and New Jersey.

Bishop Anthony Taylor of the Little Rock Diocese in Arkansas disclosed the names of 12 priests in September and announced the hiring of a consultant to review diocesan files.

"The Pennsylvania grand jury report kind of helped us firm up our decision to move forward with what we were doing. It affected the timing rather than the decision," Taylor said.

In October, the pope accepted the resignation of Cardinal Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, D.C., after he was accused in the report of mishandling some allegations of abuse against priests and others while bishop of Pittsburgh from 1988 to 2006.

The report is also credited with spurring an uptick in victims contacting support networks or law enforcement. Pennsylvania's clergy abuse hotline has received more than 1,400 new allegations since August, and Lennon said there has been a dramatic increase in victims reaching out to SNAP.



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Rahaf Mohammed Alqunun, second from left, is escorted by a Thai immigration officer and U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees officials at the airport in Bangkok.

Saudi woman seeking asylum allowed to stay in Thailand

By **KAWEEWIT KAEWJINDA**
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Associated Press

BANGKOK — An 18-year-old Saudi woman who fled her family over alleged abuse and barricaded herself in a Bangkok airport hotel room in a desperate bid for asylum will be allowed to stay in Thailand while her case is evaluated by the U.N. refugee agency, immigration authorities said Monday.

Rahaf Mohammed Alqunun grabbed global attention when she sent out pleas for help via social media, saying she feared for her life if she were put on a plane back to Kuwait, where she had slipped away from her family, or her homeland.

Instead, she has been allowed to enter Thailand temporarily under the protection of the U.N. refugee agency, which was expected to take about 5 to 7 days to study her case and her claim for asylum. She said she wants to go to Australia to seek refuge.

"We will not send anyone to die. We will not do that. We will adhere to human rights under the rule of law," said Thai Immigration Police chief Maj. Gen. Surachate Hak-

parn.

Photos released Monday night by immigration police showed Alqunun with Thai and U.N. officials after she left the hotel room where she had been holed up over the weekend, sending pleas for help on her Twitter account. She tweeted that she feels safe under U.N. protection and has gotten back her passport, which was taken earlier.

Alqunun's ordeal began when she fled from her family while in Kuwait and boarded a flight to Thailand, apparently taking advantage of being away from Saudi Arabia's restrictions on women who cannot travel abroad without a man's consent.

Upon arriving at Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi Airport on Saturday night, she said she was met by a man whom she identified at times as either a Kuwait Airways employee or a Saudi diplomat, who took her passport and said he would help her gain entry to Thailand. Saudi Arabia denies its officials were involved.

When the man returned about an hour later with four or five other people, they said they knew she had run away, that her family wanted her back,

and she should go home to Saudi Arabia. She was sent to a hotel room, and told she would be put on a Monday morning flight to Kuwait.

She then went online, sending out pleas for assistance over Twitter, and also barricaded her hotel room door. Global attention was sparked by social media and she did not get on the flight to Kuwait.

Alqunun wrote of being in "real danger" if forced to return to her family in Saudi Arabia, and said in media interviews that she might be killed. She told the BBC that she had renounced Islam and was fearful of her father's retaliation.

Her Twitter account attracted more than 66,000 followers in less than 48 hours and her story grabbed the attention of foreign governments and the U.N. refugee agency.

Phil Robertson, deputy Asia director for Human Rights Watch, told The Associated Press that Thailand should let Alqunun continue her journey to Australia.

"She has a valid Australian visa," he said. "The key thing is she should not be sent back to Saudi Arabia, she should not be sent back into harm's way."

Woman sentenced to life as teen in killing wins clemency

By **KIMBERLEE KRUESI**
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A woman who says she was a 16-year-old sex trafficking victim when she killed a man in 2004 was granted clemency Monday by Tennessee's governor and will be released from prison.

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam granted clemency to Cyntoia Brown, who had been serving a life sentence but who will be released on parole Aug. 7 — 15 years from the date she was first arrested.

"Cyntoia Brown committed, by her own admission, a horrific crime at the age of 16. Yet, imposing a life sentence on a juvenile that would require her to serve at least 51 years before even being eligible for parole consideration is too harsh, especially in light of the extraordinary steps Ms. Brown has taken to rebuild her life," Haslam said in his statement.

Brown, 30, will remain on parole supervision for 10 years on the condition she does not violate any state or federal laws, holds a job, and participates in regular counseling sessions.

Brown's case has attracted national attention from criminal justice reform advocates, and the attention amped up as Haslam's second and final term comes to a close. While law enforcement officials had opposed clemency — arguing Brown was not justified in the killing — celebrities spoke out for Brown. The governor's office was inundated with thousands of calls and emails from supporters.

"Thank you Governor Haslam," Kim Kardashian West tweeted soon after news of the clemency decision broke, which was followed by similar high-profile responses from former Georgia Democratic gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams, singer Rihanna, and actresses Alyssa Mi-



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Cyntoia Brown enters her clemency hearing in May 2018 in Nashville, Tenn., where she was serving a life sentence.

lano and Viola Davis.

Brown was convicted in 2006 of murdering 43-year-old Nashville real estate agent Johnny Allen two years before. Police said she shot Allen in the back of the head at close range with a loaded gun she brought to rob him after he picked her up at a drive-in theater in Nashville to have sex with her.

However, according to her lawyers, Brown was a victim of sex trafficking who not only feared for her life but also lacked the mental state to be culpable in the slaying because she was impaired by her mother's alcohol use while she was in the womb.

Brown expressed thanks in a statement released Monday.

"I am thankful for all the support, prayers, and encouragement I have received. We truly serve a God of second chances and new beginnings. The Lord has held my hand this whole time and I would have never made it without him," Brown said. "Let today be a testament to his saving grace."

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled against life-without-parole sentences for juveniles. However, the state of Tennessee argued successfully in lower courts that it was not in violation of federal law because Brown did have a possibil-

ity for parole: She was sentenced to serve at least 51 years of her life sentence.

"Her story is a story that should be a catalyst for a lot of others, thousands of other juveniles," said Houston Gordon, one of Brown's lead attorneys. "We need to see this as a national awakening to change the draconian laws that allow juveniles, children, to be placed in adult prisons when they're just children."

During her time in prison, Brown completed her GED and took college classes. She is one course away from finishing a Bachelor's degree at Lipscomb University.

Nashville Mayor David Briley praised Haslam's decision, calling it a "great day for social justice and our city." Democratic state Sen. Raumesh Akbari said the clemency announcement shows that Tennessee "can show love, compassion and mercy" for people who have experienced trauma.

Tennessee's Republican lawmakers remained markedly quiet on Haslam's decision.

Gov.-elect Bill Lee offered a brief statement, saying he "respected" Haslam's choice in the complex case and Lt. Gov. Randy McNally said he "appreciated" the process the governor went through to arrive at his decision.

Some small cities are feeling squeezed

Furlough of federal workers drains cash from local businesses

BY HEATHER MAY, ANNIE GOWEN AND JOEL ACHENBACH
The Washington Post

OGDEN, Utah — The snowy streets of Ogden are quiet these days. Parking lots are half-empty. Restaurant sales have dropped. Without federal workers to serve, Bickering Sisters cafe has cut the hours of its lunch service.

More than 4,000 federal employees who work for the IRS and U.S. Forest Service have been furloughed from their jobs in this outdoorsy haven north of Salt Lake City as part of the partial government shutdown. The closing of federal offices has reverberated across this city of 87,000, where roughly a third of annual revenue comes from the sales tax.

Far away from the behemoth federal office complexes in Washington, small towns and cities with workforces dependent on government jobs are beginning to feel the pinch of the more-than-2-week-old



Bob Neeley dines at Bickering Sisters cafe last week. The shutdown has curtailed sales.

shutdown.

Many of the affected federal workers — including 10,000 people in Utah, 6,200 in West Virginia and 5,500 in Alabama — have salaries far below the average \$85,000 for government employees. But those paychecks drive local economies, and workers are starting to make tough choices about how to spend them, creating a ripple effect through the neighborhoods and towns where they live.

With President Donald

Trump predicting that the shutdown could last months or even years, these towns are preparing for a long-term economic blow.

“The lunches that are missed and the shopping that is missed, people are staying at home, and that really hurts our small-business community,” said Tom Christopoulos, director of community and economic development for Ogden. He expects that the town will take a hit on its weekly sales tax revenue of \$314,000,

which could delay parks and roads projects.

Furloughed IRS employee Krystle Kirkpatrick, 31, said she and her family of four can scrape along on her partner’s machinists salary for a while, but she’s already thinking about signing up to be a plasma donor to earn some extra cash. That would bring in \$200.

“It’s not OK with me for my job to be used as a bargaining chip when people on either side don’t get what they want and they

can’t come to an agreement,” she said. “I just want to work.”

About 2,200 workers at NASA’s Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala., have been furloughed, leaving nearby restaurants worried about the economic fallout. Workers are making plans to cut back on expenses, anticipating the budget crunch after the first direct deposit doesn’t arrive in the coming days.

For Meghan Nester, a Huntsville resident whose husband has been furloughed from the NASA facility, that’s when things will get “a lot more real.”

Some needs will have to be delayed for her single-income family of five, she said. The stove will remain broken, and she’s not sure whether she’ll be able to pay the \$1,000 deposit for her child’s braces.

In Clarksburg, W.Va., a struggling industrial city reinventing itself amid a declining coal industry, a massive FBI complex has become a bulwark of economic stability.

The burgeoning Interstate 79 technology corridor between Clarksburg and Morgantown, W.Va., has attracted NASA, the Depart-

ment of Commerce and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, along with the 2,500 employees at the FBI facility.

Now, that economic foundation is shaking. Workers at the FBI crime lab are deemed essential, so about 2 in 3 remain on the job without pay.

The shutdown is also hitting private contractors and support staffs, local industries that have flourished with the growing federal presence.

Restaurants and gas stations nearby are expecting reduced sales.

“As each day goes by, I’m sure you’re going to worry some more,” said Jim Estep, president and CEO of the High Technology Foundation, which lobbies for federal agencies to relocate to West Virginia.

In a state where nearly 70 percent of voters supported Trump in 2016, the political fallout is mixed, Estep said.

“You’re going to have half our population saying, ‘Hold out for that wall! Hold out for that wall!’” he said. But, he added, “Those involved in the federal contracting business are going to say, ‘Look, compromise!’”



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President Donald Trump will make his first Oval Office speech on Tuesday before heading to the U.S.-Mexico border.

Trump to address nation as shutdown nears 3-week mark

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least talking about the idea of declaring a national emergency to allow Trump to move forward on the wall without Congress approving the \$5.6 billion he wants. Vice President Mike Pence said the White House counsel’s office is looking at the idea.

Such a move would certainly draw legal challenges, and Trump has said he would like to continue negotiations for now.

As Trump’s prime-time address and his border visit were announced, newly empowered House Democrats — and a few Republican senators — stepped up pressure on GOP lawmakers to reopen the government without giving in to the president’s demands. The closure, which has lasted 17 days, is already the second-longest in history and would become the longest this weekend.

Leaning on Senate Republicans, some of whom are growing anxious about the shutdown, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the House would begin passing individual bills this week that would reopen federal agencies, starting

with the Treasury Department to ensure Americans receive their tax refunds.

The White House moved to pre-empt the Democrats, telling reporters Monday that tax refunds would be paid despite the shutdown. That exemption would break from the practice of earlier administrations and could be challenged.

“There is an indefinite appropriation to pay tax refunds. As a result the refunds will go out as normal,” said Russell Vought, acting director of the White House budget office.

This week’s action in the House will be coupled by a new Democratic strategy in the Senate, where Democrats plan to block any legislation on the floor that doesn’t reopen the federal government, The Washington Post reported.

Privately, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., has told the rest of his caucus that he would vote against advancing the first bill on the Senate floor this year, which would authorize security assistance to Israel and include provisions aimed at promoting security in the Middle East.

Democrats plan to vote against the measure to pressure McConnell to pass legislation funding the government, according to a senior Senate Democratic aide who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss party strategy.

There were other signs that the administration was working to control damage from the shutdown, which has furloughed 380,000 federal workers and forced 420,000 more to work without pay.

The National Park Service said it was dipping into entrance fees to pay for staffing at some highly visited parks to maintain restrooms, clean up trash and patrol the grounds.

Over the weekend, the federal agency tasked with guaranteeing U.S. airport security acknowledged an increase in the number of its employees missing work or calling in sick.

But Trump and the Transportation Security Administration pushed back on any suggestion that the call-outs at the agency represented a “sickout” that was having a significant effect on U.S. air travel.

The talks over ending

the shutdown have been at an impasse over Trump’s demand for the wall. He has offered to build the barrier with steel rather than concrete, billing that as a concession to Democrats’ objections. They “don’t like concrete, so we’ll give them steel,” he said.

But Democrats have made clear that they object to the wall itself, not how it’s constructed. They see it as immoral and ineffective and prefer other types of border security funded at already agreed-upon levels.

“Maybe he thinks he can bully us. But I’m from Brooklyn. You let a bully succeed, you’ll be bullied again worse,” Schumer said.

Asked whether cracks were forming between the White House and Republicans eager for the shutdown to end, Pence told reporters, “We’ve been in touch with those members and others.”

He said that he and Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen would be at the Capitol on Tuesday and Wednesday to brief lawmakers.

The Washington Post contributed.

Trump denies that U.S. plan to depart Syria has changed

By MISSY RYAN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump vowed a “prudent” withdrawal of U.S. troops from Syria, embracing a new, more cautious timeline on Monday while appearing to deny that he had ever ordered an immediate troop departure in the first place.

“We will be leaving at a proper pace while at the same time continuing to fight ISIS and doing all else that is prudent and necessary!” Trump said in a morning tweet. That was “no different from my original statements,” he said, accusing the news media of inaccurately reporting “my intentions on Syria.”

Last month, Trump declared the Islamic State group defeated in Syria and said troops would be “coming back now.” Since then, senior officials have issued a series of statements that have cast doubt on his promise of a quick departure.

The president’s endorsement of a flexible departure, conditioned on the still-to-come defeat of the Islamic State, was the latest indication of his administration’s zigzagging foreign policy, in which decisions are often made by dramatic presidential tweets and followed by more circumspect policies reflecting top advisers’ views.

The initial plan for a quick withdrawal, which would require turning over the U.S.-supported effort against remaining militants to NATO ally Turkey, was met with dismay among officials and lawmakers who feared the Islamic State could return in force. A day after Trump’s announcement, Defense Secretary Jim Mattis resigned in protest.

Trump’s new remarks appeared to endorse a revised proposal, floated by National Security Adviser John Bolton a day earlier, that would allow U.S. troops and their local allies to extin-

guish a small but stubborn militant force before they depart. It would also require Turkey to refrain from attacking Syrian Kurdish troops who are the chief U.S. partner on the ground.

The evolving plans came as Bolton traveled Monday to Ankara, Turkey’s capital, for talks with Turkish officials on the U.S. withdrawal, including protection of the American-allied Syrian Democratic Forces, which Turkey has vowed to expel from northeast Syria.

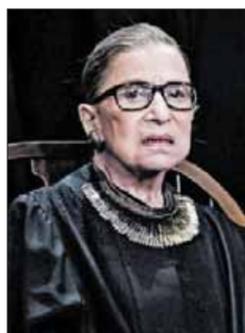
Officials across the government have scrambled in recent days to keep up with shifting statements from administration leaders, even as they continued to make plans for a near-term military exit that they cautioned could squander the fruits of a four-year military effort. There are more than 2,000 U.S. troops in Syria.

While Trump initially demanded a 30-day departure, officials said the administration later settled on an exit within 120 days to give the military more time to break down bases and safely remove equipment and personnel. The latest comments from Trump and Bolton intensified uncertainty about what would occur.

Trump’s pullout plan fueled concerns among allied nations, including France and Britain, who have sent their own troops to Syria. It also drew criticism from his own party, including from Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who on Sunday said Trump had “made a mistake” with his initial pronouncement but was now “slowing down.”

On Monday, the new chairman of the House Armed Services Committee accused Trump of “changing course like a drunken sailor.”

“It shows that our president literally doesn’t know what he is doing. He is making it up as he goes,” Rep. Adam Smith, D-Wash., told CNN. “The way he is going about it is disastrous.”



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Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, 85, is recuperating from cancer surgery and working from home.

Justice Ginsburg misses arguments 1st time in 25 years

By MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is missing arguments for the first time in more than 25 years as she recuperates from cancer surgery last month, the Supreme Court said.

Ginsburg was not on the bench as the court met Monday to hear arguments. It was not clear when she would return to the court, which will hear more cases Tuesday and Wednesday,

and again next week.

Court spokeswoman Kathy Arberg said the 85-year-old justice is recuperating and working from home after doctors removed two cancerous growths from her left lung on Dec. 21.

Ginsburg was discharged from a New York hospital on Dec. 25.

Chief Justice John Roberts said in the courtroom Monday that Ginsburg would participate in deciding the argued cases “on the basis of the briefs and transcripts of oral arguments.”

Ginsburg had two earlier cancer surgeries in 1999 and 2009 that did not cause her to miss court sessions. She also has had broken ribs on at least two occasions.

The court said doctors found the growths on Ginsburg’s lung when she was being treated for fractured ribs she suffered in a fall at her office on Nov. 7.

After past health scares, Ginsburg has come back to work relatively quickly. In 2009, she was at the court for arguments on Feb. 23, 18 days after surgery for pan-

creatic cancer.

Weeks after her fall in November, Ginsburg was asking questions at high court arguments, speaking at a naturalization ceremony for new citizens and being interviewed at screenings of the new movie about her, “On the Basis of Sex.”

Her latest surgery was a procedure called a pulmonary lobectomy at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York. The court said in a release issued the day of the surgery that

doctors found “no evidence of any remaining disease” and scans taken before the surgery showed no cancerous growths elsewhere in her body. No additional treatment is currently planned, the court said.

Appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1993, Ginsburg rebuffed suggestions that she should step down in the first two years of President Barack Obama’s second term, when Democrats controlled the Senate and would have been likely to confirm her successor.

TSA all ears, opts for friendlier-looking dogs

BY KARIN BRULLIARD
The Washington Post

The dogs deployed by the Transportation Security Administration at airports nationwide use their noses to sniff out explosives and contraband. But pooches selected for duty these days are picked not just for the ability of their snouts — the shape of their ears matters, too.

TSA officials say the agency is increasingly replacing retired pointy-eared dogs — think German shepherds — with floppy-eared sorts including Labrador retrievers. The recruits have a friendlier look, officials say.

“We find the passenger acceptance of floppy-ear dogs is just better. It presents just a little bit less of a concern,” TSA Administrator David Pekoske told the Washington Examiner during a recent tour at Washington Dulles International Airport. “Doesn’t scare children.”

About 1,200 TSA dogs from seven breeds are used to screen U.S. passengers and baggage, TSA spokesman James Gregory told The Washington Post. Five are breeds whose ears rest softly on their heads: Labs, golden retrievers, German short-haired pointers, wire-haired pointers and Vizslas. Two have ears that shoot skyward: German shep-

herds and Belgian Malinois.

But about four in five recent additions to the canine corps are of the droopy-eared persuasion, and the agency hopes to stick to that ratio, Gregory said. The consideration of ear position, he added, was an informal internal decision “that is more about adapting to people’s perceptions about floppy-eared dogs (sporting breeds) being more friendly versus pointy-eared dogs (herding dog breeds) that may appear to be more aggressive-looking.”

Working-dog providers are also opting to breed retrievers and other sporting dogs, Gregory said.

This doggy development made a splash on social media, where some observers greeted it as a welcome gesture from an agency not often lauded for its consideration of traveler sentiments.

Others decried it as “canine racism,” not to mention a misplaced focus on dogs when barking TSA agents are a more common complaint, and offered up photos of perfectly nice-looking dogs with pointy ears.

Still others pointed out that these dogs, which typically wear “Do not pet” vests, are not supposed to be approachable.



ASTRID RIECKEN

TSA’s Howard, seen at Reagan National Airport in 2018, has the ears that the agency says it seeks.

“No petting, but there’s a balance,” Gregory said. “We don’t want people to shy away because they’re scared.”

The agency’s understanding of passenger views on detection dog ears is anecdotal and not based on survey data, Gregory said.

But some research backs up the idea that people view pointy ears as more intimi-

dating.

In a 2016 study on perceptions of dogs with docked tails and cropped ears — or cut to stand up, as is typical on breeds such as the Doberman pinscher — University of British Columbia researchers found that participants deemed altered dogs more aggressive and dominant than those with natural features.

Clive Wynne, a University of Arizona canine science scholar who has studied perceptions of dogs labeled “pit bulls,” praised the agency’s move. Detection dogs’ noses are “amazing technology,” he said, “but the fact that this technology is embodied in a living animal creates its own issues.”

“People have attitudes toward dogs — and different attitudes toward dogs that look different,” Wynne said in an email. “So if you want to have a dog contact a vast number of people of many different backgrounds, you need that dog to be presentable to the widest possible range of folks.”

Floppy ears have actually played a significant role in scientists’ understanding of animals’ friendliness toward humans. In an experiment that began in 1959 and continues today, scientists in Russia have sought to breed tame silver foxes. They selected the gentlest animals to start each new generation, and within 10 cycles, they had pups that were less aggressive and fearful.

What’s more, these amiable foxes sported new physical characteristics, including curly tails, mottled fur — and yes, floppy ears. The same traits are seen in many domesticated animals.

Why these physical traits

often accompany tameness is not yet clear. But it means that humans have for thousands of years associated them with more docile animals. That said, German shepherds, Belgian Malinois and other triangle-eared breeds are no less domesticated or tame than others. All purebred dogs’ looks, including their ears, have been shaped by selective breeding, and erect ears do not necessarily signal an aggressive temperament.

Nor do traditional detection dogs necessarily have stronger sniffers. Wynne noted that a study he published on dogs’ olfactory sensitivity found that pugs performed “way better” than German shepherds, meaning “friendly-looking dogs can be perfectly suited to this task.”

Which is why the primary requirement for TSA dogs remains stellar detection skill, Gregory said. As many as half of aspiring working dogs fail out of training programs; in 2017, a black Lab named Lulu became a minor celebrity for dropping out of CIA bomb-sniffer school.

“No dogs will be pulled off because they have pointy ears. All the dogs are good — as long as they pass the test,” Gregory said.

“It’s stringent, and we put them through extremely difficult tests.”

High court won’t take case of Kennedy cousin Skakel

BY JESSICA GRESKO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court announced Monday that it is leaving in place a decision that vacated a murder conviction against Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel.

Skakel was convicted in 2002 of the 1975 bludgeoning death of Martha Moxley, who lived across the street from the Skakel family in Greenwich, Conn., and whose body was found in her family’s backyard.

Both Skakel and Moxley were 15 at the time of her death.

The high court’s refusal to hear the case means that a 2018 decision by Connecticut’s highest court throwing out Skakel’s conviction will stand. Connecticut’s highest court based its decision on Skakel’s attorney’s failure to seek out an additional alibi witness.

Though it would be difficult, the state could retry Skakel, who is a nephew of Robert F. Kennedy’s widow, Ethel Kennedy. The state

has not said how it would proceed if the Supreme Court declined to intervene.

Skakel’s case has spent nearly two decades winding its way through the court system after he was charged in 2000 with Moxley’s killing. After a jury convicted Skakel, he argued that his lead trial lawyer did an inadequate job representing him.

Skakel says he was watching an episode of the “Monty Python” television show at his cousin’s house at the time Moxley was

killed. Moxley was beaten with a golf club that belonged to Skakel’s mother.

Prosecutors told the Supreme Court that if Skakel “had been provided the assistance of an attorney who undertook only half the efforts his defense team undertook in this case, he still would have been afforded far better representation than that provided for the typical criminal defendant.”

Skakel served more than 11 years in prison before being freed on \$1.2 million

bail in 2013 when a judge overturned his conviction.

But Connecticut’s Supreme Court reinstated Skakel’s conviction in December 2016, ruling 4-3 that Skakel was adequately represented.

The Connecticut Supreme Court justice who wrote the majority opinion, Peter Zarella, retired immediately after the decision’s announcement, and Skakel asked that the decision be reconsidered. The court reversed its original decision.



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Connecticut prosecutors have not said whether they’ll retry Michael Skakel.

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Senators renew attempt to protect special counsel Mueller

WASHINGTON — Republicans and Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee are renewing their attempt to protect special counsel Robert Mueller’s job.

The legislation sponsored by incoming Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., and three other members is expected to be introduced Tuesday. The panel approved the same bill in April, but it was blocked

by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, who said it was unnecessary.

The move comes as President Donald Trump continues to criticize Mueller’s investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election.

The legislation would allow any fired special counsel to seek a judicial review and puts into law existing Justice Department rules that a special counsel can only be fired for good cause.

Expert: Citizenship question would hurt count of Latinos

SAN FRANCISCO — Asking people whether they are U.S. citizens on the 2020 census would worsen the undercount of Latinos and non-citizens compared with other groups, an expert in surveys said Monday at the start of a trial over the Trump administration’s decision to include the question for the first time in 70 years.

Colm O’Muircheartaigh, a professor at

the University of Chicago, testified in federal court for California and numerous cities that argue that asking about citizenship is politically motivated and are suing to keep the question off the population count.

The Justice Department argues that census officials take steps to guard against an undercount, including follow-up visits, so the final numbers will be accurate.

Man pleads guilty to killing 6 in between driving for Uber

KALAMAZOO, Mich. — A Michigan man charged with killing six strangers between picking up rides for Uber pleaded guilty to murder on Monday, just before attorneys were set to interview jurors for his trial.

Jason Dalton’s surprise move came more than three years after the shootings of eight people at three locations, which occurred over the course of a few hours in and around

Kalamazoo. The confession by Dalton, 48, triggered a mandatory sentence of life in prison with no chance for parole.

After his arrest, police quoted Dalton as saying a “devil figure” on Uber’s app was controlling him.

Four women were killed in the parking lot of a restaurant and a man and his son were killed at an auto dealership. A teenage girl and a woman were wounded.



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Eastern Orthodox Christmas: Orthodox Christians light candles in a church in Biskek, Kyrgyzstan, on Monday to celebrate Christmas. Orthodox churches mark the holiday on Jan. 7 in accordance with the Julian calendar.

Gabon government thwarts coup attempt; 2 plotters dead

LIBREVILLE, Gabon — Gabon’s government thwarted an attempted military coup on Monday, retaining control of the oil-rich West African nation after two plotters were killed and other army officers were arrested, the government said.

According to a presidential statement reported by Radio France International, five army officers who took over state radio were arrested. Two other coup plotters were killed when security forces took over and freed some hostages.

A curfew was imposed

over the capital, Libreville, and internet service was cut.

Earlier Monday a soldier who identified himself as Lt. Obiang Ondo Kelly, commander of the Republican Guard, announced on state radio that the military had seized control of Gabon’s government in order to “restore democracy.”

Those soldiers have been taken into custody and President Ali Bongo’s government remains in control, a government spokesman said.

Bongo, 59, who has been in power since 2009, has been out of the country

since October amid reports that he had a stroke. He recently addressed the country in a New Year’s message that was filmed in Morocco, where he has been receiving medical treatment.

Gabon, sub-Saharan Africa’s third-largest oil producer, has been ruled for more than half a century by Bongo and his father, Omar, who died in 2009.

Critics have accused the family of profiting from the country’s natural resources while not investing enough in basic services for the population of more than 2 million.

N. Korea confirms Kim goes to China for summit

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has left for China for a four-day trip, the North’s state media reported Tuesday, amid speculation that he may attempt to coordinate his positions with Beijing ahead of his likely summit with President Donald

Trump.

The Korean Central News Agency said that Kim departed for China on Monday afternoon with his wife, Ri Sol Ju, and top officials. It said Kim is visiting China at the invitation of Chinese President Xi Jinping.

A three-car train of the

type used by Kim has arrived in Beijing following the announcement of a four-day visit to China.

Kim’s trip comes after U.S. and North Korean officials are believed to have met in Vietnam to discuss the location of a second summit between Kim and Trump.

S. Carolina joins lawsuit to block offshore drilling tests

COLUMBIA, S.C. — South Carolina will join a federal lawsuit opposing the Trump administration’s plans to conduct offshore drilling tests, becoming the latest coastal state to take legal action against the proposal.

On Monday, Attorney General Alan Wilson said he has petitioned to join a lawsuit already filed by 16 South Carolina cities and towns opposing the issuance of permits for the use of seismic air guns.

Last month, New Jersey joined Connecticut, Maryland, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, North Carolina and Virginia in their lawsuit against sound testing.

South Carolina officials have been working on the state’s response to the administration’s announcement of a five-year plan to open 90 percent of the nation’s offshore reserves to private development.

In Russia: The Russian Foreign Ministry said Paul Whelan, the American detained in Moscow on suspicion of spying, may receive visits from diplomats from the three other countries whose citizenship he holds.

Last week, it emerged that he also holds British, Irish and Canadian citizenship.

In Malaysia: The nation’s royal families will meet on Jan. 24 to pick a new king after Sultan Muhammad V abdicated unexpectedly after just two years on the throne, an official said Monday.

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EDITORIALS

Emanuel and 'reformers' suddenly locate their spines

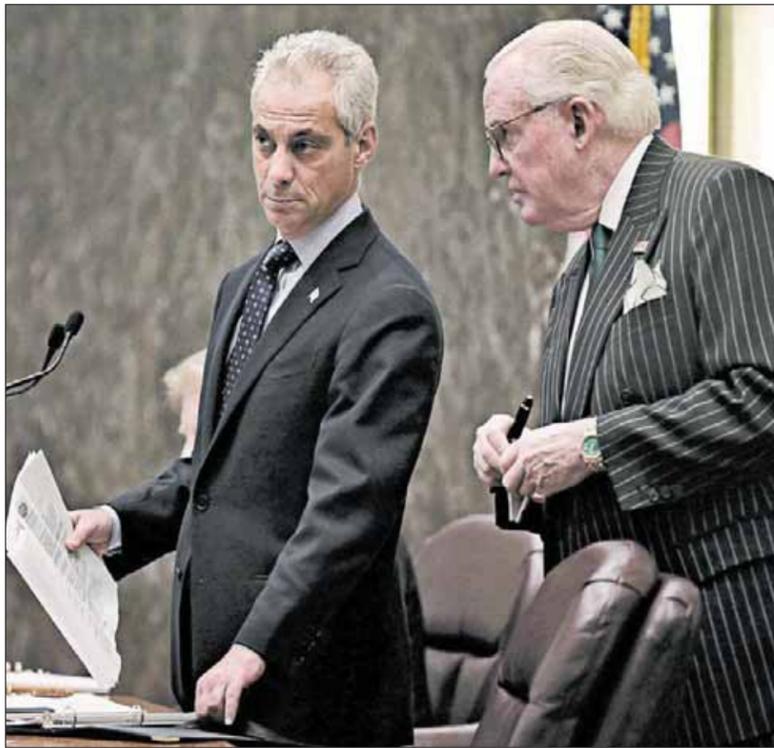
On Sunday, Mayor Rahm Emanuel ordered an outside audit of the city's workers compensation program, a longtime fiefdom of Ald. Edward Burke's Finance Committee. Several adjectives could describe Emanuel's call to action. Courageous would not be one of them.

Emanuel — and most of the Chicago City Council — bypassed plenty of opportunities during the last eight years to raise a flashlight on the \$100-million-a-year program for government workers who are injured or disabled on the job. Instead, city leaders waited until there was no political risk. Emanuel called for an audit of the program only after Burke got pushed out as Finance Committee chairman due to a federal public corruption complaint. Burke, charged with one count of attempted extortion, is vulnerable. Emanuel pounced. Other city leaders and mayoral candidates suddenly located their spines.

The workers' comp program has long been embedded in Burke's committee and cloaked in secrecy. Questions this editorial page has been raising since the mid-1990s: Who works for the Finance Committee? Why is a politician in charge of a medical and insurance program? Who are the lawyers, doctors and insurers who make a living off that cottage industry? How is fraud weeded out and investigated?

The public doesn't know the answers to those questions because Burke and his allies forcefully and willfully crushed attempts to open the books. During those transparency-flouting operations, Emanuel stood firmly on the sidelines.

When he first was elected in 2011, Emanuel chose to continue with Burke as finance chairman, the council's most influ-



Mayor Rahm Emanuel, left, and Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, at a City Council meeting in 2016.

ential post, rather than push for change. That was a squandered opportunity at reform. Then Emanuel ignored, and at times ridiculed, efforts to shine a light on Burke's committee and its workers' comp

program.

The city's inspector general, Joe Ferguson, repeatedly attempted to gain access to the committee's records. At one point in 2012, a federal grand jury sided with Fergu-

son and demanded more transparency. Still, no real change. No help from the City Council. No involvement from Emanuel.

Burke, along with Aldermen Patrick O'Connor, 40th; Carrie Austin, 34th; Michelle Harris, 8th; and then-Ald. Dick Mell, 33rd; blocked and squashed ordinances in 2014, 2015 and 2016 that would have enabled scrutiny from Ferguson and, for a time, the council's watchdog, Faisal Khan. The council eventually ran Khan out of town. Aldermen starved him of an office budget. With no money for staff or operations, he folded up shop.

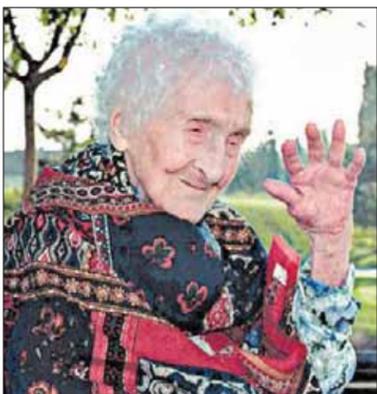
Still, Emanuel refused to get involved. Throughout those ongoing turf wars, Ferguson has been forced to negotiate with attorneys from Jenner & Block to gain any information on Burke's workers' comp program. That's the high-powered law firm Burke hired to represent his Finance Committee on jurisdiction disputes.

Think about that for a minute: The city's taxpayer-funded inspector general has to negotiate with a taxpayer-funded private law firm to attempt to gather information about a taxpayer-funded health and medical program overseen by a taxpayer-funded council committee.

That's how sturdy the fortress Burke built. And Emanuel tolerated. And voters, too. That's the insider culture of a City Hall that operates on clout.

We won't pat Emanuel on the back for finally ordering an outside audit of the workers' comp program. He did it when Burke was weak and when he, Emanuel, is leaving office. There's nothing gallant in that. Rather, the adjectives we'd attach to Emanuel's sudden change of heart would be weak, opportunistic and remiss.

Did Jeanne Calment live to 122 years old, or did her daughter pull a fraud for the ages?



AP 1995

Jeanne Calment — or was it her daughter, Yvonne? — defied the odds in many ways to reach age 122, or merely 99.

For years, Jeanne Calment has reigned as the oldest documented person to have lived. She supposedly died in 1997 at age 122.

But now Russian mathematician Nikolay Zak has exhumed that claim and startled researchers with a challenge: He argues that Calment was actually Yvonne Calment, Jeanne's daughter, The Washington Post reports. Zak says Yvonne took her mother's identity to elude inheritance taxes in the 1930s. If so, Yvonne Calment would have been 99 in 1997 — not 122.

In a paper published on a research-sharing portal, ResearchGate, Zak offers evidence — though it's not conclusive — to buttress his theory. For instance: Calment was nearly the same height at age 100-plus as she had been at a younger age; older people usually lose height as they age. A passport for Jeanne in the 1930s shows a different eye color entered for her than what was noted in later life. Zak cites a

litany of discrepancies in her accounts of details of her life over time.

Zak's claim drew a strong rebuke from Jean-Marie Robine, who wrote a book about Calment around the time of her death, the Post reports. "All of this is incredibly shaky and rests on nothing," Robine told Le Parisien.

We don't know if Calment was 99 or 122 when she died. But we all naturally seek clues from the habits of those who are healthy into old age. We want to believe that a personal regimen of diet, medical treatment, exercise or genes will carry us well into the ninth or 10th decade of life in relative good health.

If that fails, we hope scientists discover new ways to intervene and forestall the inevitable. During the 20th century, American life expectancies bounded ahead, adding decades to the average life via medical

breakthroughs, therapies and better preventive care.

Scientists now debate the natural limits of the human body. Can people live to 150? To which a pragmatist who fears decades of decline might retort: Would anyone want to?

Whether she lived to 99 or 122, at least one of the Calments defied the odds in many ways: She smoked until she was so old she had to quit because she couldn't light a cigarette without assistance.

Whatever the outcome of this tempest, here's what we remember: Calment rode a bike until she was 100. She loved chocolate and reportedly ate 2 pounds a week. In 1995, this page noted that Calment was blind, almost deaf, and used a wheelchair, but still proclaimed that "everything in life" interested her. That's a fine example for the rest of us — at any age.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Democrats received a mixed blessing in November when they seized complete control of state governments in California, Connecticut, Illinois and New York. ... With legislative supermajorities, liberals in California can raise taxes without GOP votes and in Illinois place a progressive tax on the ballot as unions have long wanted. Democrats campaigned on more spending — for schools, roads, child care, you name it. ...

Illinois is forecasting a \$1.2 billion deficit and has accrued \$7.5 billion in unpaid bills despite a \$5 billion income and corporate tax hike in 2017. Pensions consume 25 percent of state revenue, up from 10 percent a decade ago, yet are still only about 40 percent funded. Chicago is leaning toward insolvency as pension costs have doubled in a decade. ...

The time to drive the hard tax and spending reforms is while the economy is still humming. Democratic political success will ride on whether they clean up the messes in their states or dig deeper holes.

The Wall Street Journal

The 2020 election will be the first ever where the candidates running against the sitting president will be campaigning on his need to be removed from office by Congress. Bill Clinton's impeachment loomed over the 2000 election, but he wasn't on the ballot. And Richard Nixon was well into his second term before Watergate really caught up with him. Democratic activists will demand to know where the 2020 candidates stand on impeachment questions, and there likely won't be much room for anything but absolutism.

Edward-Isaac Dovey, The Atlantic

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Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE



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Instructors and supporters of the Old Town School of Folk Music in Chicago sing after a December news conference and rally to announce a union organizing drive.

What's next for the Old Town School of Folk Music?

By RICH GORDON

Imagine a company where product sales have declined for seven consecutive years. Where key employees feel so poorly treated that they decide to form a union. And where customers are so upset that they rallied 10,000 people to sign an online petition calling for a change in the company's leadership.

That's one way to describe what's been happening at the Old Town School of Folk Music, a nonprofit cultural institution where thousands of Chicagoans have gathered to learn, play and celebrate music since 1957.

The key employees are the school's more than 200 teachers, who will vote this month on whether to unionize through the Illinois Federation of Teachers. The customers are students, whose change.org petition was launched Oct. 23, the day after the school announced it would sell one of its main locations — a building in Lincoln Park it has owned for 50 years, and which served as its headquarters until 1998 when the school added its Lincoln Square location. (I'm the student who, after 18 years of music classes, posted that petition.)

Of course, the Old Town School of Folk Music — whose executive director, Bau Graves, announced his retirement Thursday — is not a company. As a nonprofit organization, founded by teachers and students, it exists to fulfill a social and community mission. While it offers concerts and brings music into schools and neighborhoods around the city, its core reason for being is to teach

music — especially, to teach people to sing and play with others in a group setting.

By teaching music, often to people who thought they didn't have musical talent or skill, the Old Town School builds a remarkable sense of community. And the school has evolved far beyond 1950s-style "folk music" — you can learn an amazing array of instruments, play musical genres ranging from classic rock to Afrobeats, or practice Middle Eastern belly dance, Argentinian tango or the way they dance in Bollywood movies.

The proposed sale of the school's building at 909 W. Armitage Ave. shocked students, teachers, staff and donors. It also sparked the creation of Save Old Town School, a student-led group that has been digging deep into the publicly available data (annual financial statements and annual IRS filings) to understand what's gone wrong at the Old Town School.

What we found was quite disturbing. We'd seen the school increase prices for group classes by 25 to 30 percent over several years, and for individual lessons by more than 40 percent. We also had heard that enrollment was declining. But until recently, we didn't realize how bad things had gotten.

Now, though, we've dug into the data. Student enrollment (group classes and private lessons) peaked in 2011 and has been heading downhill since then — starting just after the school went into debt (since repaid) to open an additional Lincoln Square building so it could expand class offerings.

Group class enrollment declined 28 percent from 2011 to 2017. Private lesson enrollment was down almost 7 percent.

We believe turning enrollment around must be the school's top priority. Student tuition provides more than half of the Old Town School's revenue — and enables the school to pay our wonderful musician-teachers. But we've seen little evidence that the school knows how to market its programs effectively.

The school's administrators also have made decisions that we believe have helped cause the enrollment decline. Aside from raising prices, they eliminated the school's monthly "First Friday" open house in Lincoln Square, which was a great way of introducing new people to the school. They oversaw website redesigns that made it harder to navigate and sign up for classes. They stopped producing printed class catalogs that people wandering into a school building could pick up, get excited about and take with them.

What they didn't do was develop a coherent marketing strategy, especially via digital channels.

Meanwhile, the school's board of directors was rewarding its top administrators with substantial pay raises. Total compensation for Graves, the school's executive director, jumped 63 percent from 2008 to 2017 — to more than \$270,000. In the same time period, the number of administrators making more than \$100,000 a year rose from one (the executive director) to four.

Members of Save Old Town School have asked why the board would reward the school's top administrators

with substantial raises when enrollment was falling. What we learned is that administrators had been telling the board that nothing could be done. That people prefer to learn to play music on the internet. That young people these days are into electronic dance music, not guitars.

Save Old Town School rejects these propositions. From our own experience, we know the Old Town School truly changes lives. With the right attention to marketing and communications, we believe it is absolutely possible to increase enrollment.

A few months now since the announced sale of 909 W. Armitage Ave., there are some encouraging signs. The board of directors has put off the building sale until at least the end of March, and has formed "working groups" to study enrollment, communications and alternatives to selling the Lincoln Park building. The board is also considering creating a student advisory board, which we believe is essential because, until now, students have had no voice in the way the school is run.

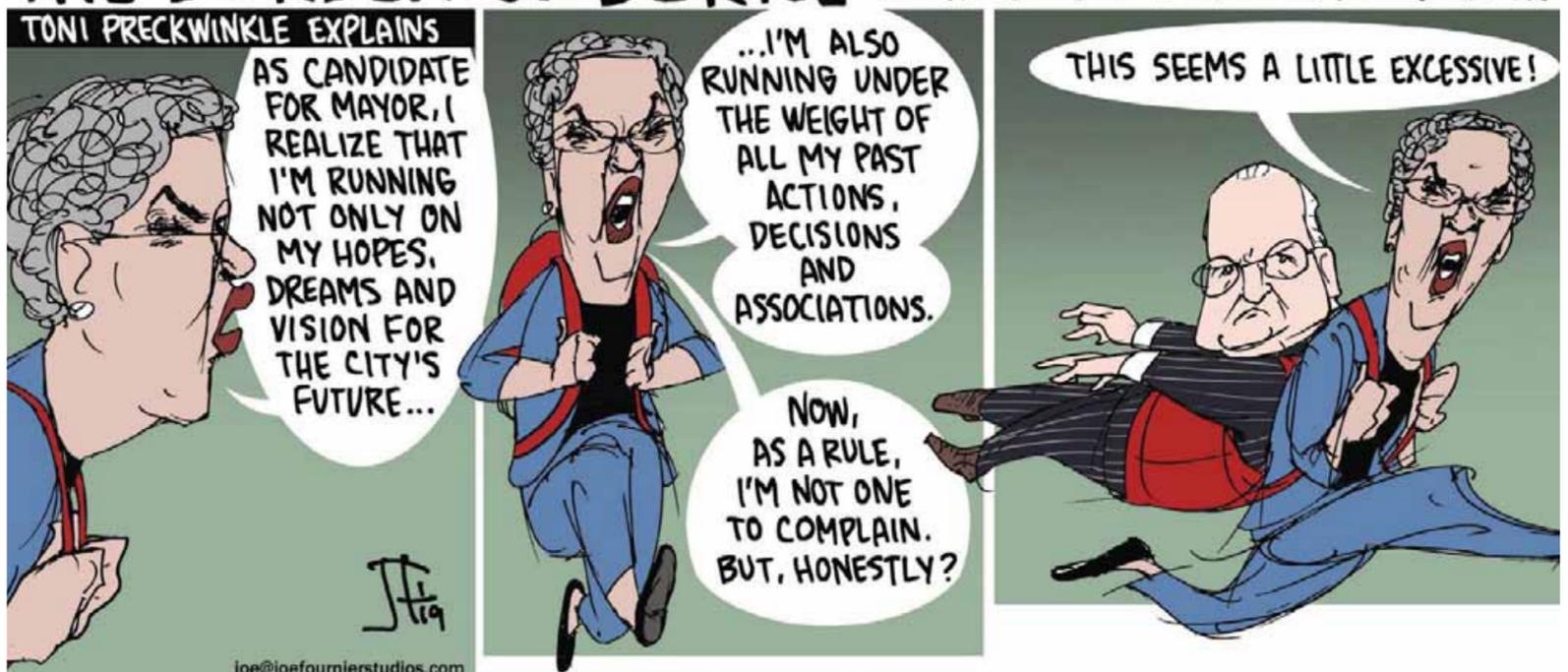
Beyond that, Graves' departure as executive director creates an opportunity to engage all of the Old Town School of Folk Music's stakeholders — and to find a new leader who believes that it's possible to boost enrollment and introduce more people to this magical place.

Rich Gordon, a professor of journalism at Northwestern University and an Old Town School of Folk Music student since 2001, is one of the leaders of Save Old Town School.

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THE BURDEN OF BURKE

BY JOE "IT'S NOT WHO YOU KNOW, IT'S WHO YOU KNOW WHO'S BEING CHARGED" FOURNIER



PERSPECTIVE



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"Twilight Bowl" at the Goodman Theatre in Chicago will be made exclusively with women.

Men still dominate top jobs in theater. Here's how that hurts women.

BY REBECCA GILMAN

Oscar nominations will be announced in a couple of weeks. If history holds, the gender inequality in Hollywood will be on full display once again. But film is not the only medium where a marked gender gap persists.

I'll be starting rehearsals soon at the Goodman Theatre in Chicago for a new play I wrote. I've been writing plays for 36 years, but this will be the first time I have worked exclusively with women. The cast is composed entirely of women. The director is a woman. The scenic, lighting and costume designers are women. This is no accident. It is by design.

The play, "Twilight Bowl," was a commission from the Big Ten Theatre Consortium of schools whose theater departments saw a dire need for plays featuring roles for women in their 20s and so commissioned a group of female playwrights to write those plays. When the Goodman wanted to produce the play, the playwright (me) made it clear that the play should be directed by a woman. And the director (Erica Weiss) made it a priority to put together an all-female design team (Regina Garcia, Cat Wilson, Izumi Inaba, Victoria Deiorio).

My artistic team didn't have to fight for any of this. The Goodman was enthusiastic in its support of our goals and shared our vision entirely. The director and designers who are collaborating on my play would be hired even if they weren't women. They are some of the most talented artists I've ever worked with and they were hardly the only candidates for the jobs. They were outstanding in an outstanding field.

So the assembly of this team of women was by design, but it wasn't hard.

Which leads me to wonder, why is a production in which women make up more than 50 percent of the artists in any way notable? Why is it still too rare? For the last decade, the

League of Professional Theatre Women has been calling for female playwrights, directors and designers to achieve parity in the theater by 2020. They call their campaign "50/50 in 2020." At the start of 2019 I want to echo that call. Time is running out. What are we waiting for?

There has been commendable progress toward gender parity in the theater in the past few years. For example, according to "The Count 2.0," a report recently released by The Lilly Awards Foundation and The Dramatists Guild of America, more female playwrights are seeing their work produced in not-for-profit theaters in the U.S. than ever before.

However, plays written by women account for only 29 percent of all plays produced — a percentage that is vastly out of proportion to the number of women writing for the stage, not to mention the number of women in the general population. The numbers for female writers of color are even more disheartening. Even though the number of productions by women of color doubled in the last three years, they still only accounted for 6 percent of productions nationwide.

For directors and designers the statistics are a little bit better. The LPTW estimates that female directors and designers receive around 37 percent of the professional production opportunities in off-Broadway theaters in New York. But gender parity remains elusive and the progress remains frustratingly slow.

Why is this important? Because playwrights, directors, designers and actors shape the stories we tell in the theater and the stories we tell become the world we live in. If the stories of one group are hierarchized above those of another, that signals to the world that the rest of us are not nearly as important — that when bad things happen to us it is incidental, or worse, deserved.

At a time when women are finally speaking out about sys-

tem harassment, violence and silencing, the hierarchizing of men's stories over ours can be downright dangerous. If women's stories aren't given equal weight in popular culture, then women's stories in, say, a Senate confirmation hearing, are too easily dismissed as dubious, minor, inconsequential, confused.

Some might argue that the issue with representation is one of quality. Maybe theaters don't produce plays by women or hire female directors or female designers because they're just not that good at what they do.

If you still believe that men are more talented than women, see above. It's because men's work and men's stories have been unfairly overvalued for centuries as a result of, and in service to, a hegemony of patriarchy that has excluded multitudes of talented women. You never even got to hear their stories, much less assess their talent.

Theaters across the country are putting the finishing touches on their 2019-20 seasons right now. This is the perfect time for artistic directors to take a look at the plays they have programmed and the artists they have hired and to hire more women if necessary. If they can't realize gender parity in the upcoming season, then they can make it happen in the one that follows. Fall of 2020 is not too late.

If theaters don't manage to achieve gender parity, audiences should let them know that enough is enough. Vote for gender parity with your wallets, and theaters will sit up and listen. After all, studies consistently show that more than 60 percent of theatergoers are women.

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Democrats, take note: Rep. Cheri Bustos shows how it's done



GEORGE WILL

If Republicans have a lick of sense, they are alarmed by a recent sign of intelligent life in the other party. The sign is the election by Democrats in the House of Representatives of Rep. Cheri Bustos of Illinois as chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. In November, she won a fourth term by 24 percentage points — the largest margin of any Democrat running in a district Donald Trump carried in 2016. Her task as chair, which is to cement the Democrats' House majority in 2020, involves this arithmetic:

In the new Congress, 31 Democrats represent districts Trump carried. In 2018, 40 Democrats flipped districts from red to blue — 41, if the Democrat is declared the winner in a North Carolina race clouded by allegations of vote fraud. Twenty-two Democrats won by 5 percentage points or less. Twenty-three lost by 5 points or less. Democrats have noticed that Bustos prospers in a mostly rural district that extends along the Mississippi River from the Wisconsin border to a portion of Peoria. Sixty percent of the district's residents live in towns with populations of 1,000 or fewer; 85 percent are in towns of 5,000 or fewer. In November, she won all of her district's 14 counties, 11 of which are entirely rural.

What lessons can Democrats learn from her success among Trump voters? They might start by marrying a police officer. She says she gets "instant credibility" by telling audiences that her husband, who has been in law enforcement for 34 years, is the sheriff of Rock Island County. Regarding guns, it is helpful if one of your sons finished second in the national collegiate trapshooting competition. It also is helpful if another son is a union welder.

Favorable trends might tempt Democrats to think they can thrive without the voters Bustos reaches. The Economist, noting that Trump's approval rating is "stratified by age," reports that baby boomers — those born between 1946 and 1964 — who have been the United States' largest age cohort for more than five decades will, in 2019, be outnumbered by millennials, those born between 1981 and 1996. Boomers are — were; they are shuffling off the stage — almost 75 percent white; millennials are 56 percent white. In November's midterm elections,

Democrats won two-thirds of voters ages 18 to 29, and 71 percent of millennial women.

Furthermore, the GOP, which thinks of itself as the redoubt of the devout, is competing in an increasingly secular country. The Economist says that "Nones" — people with no religion — "already outnumber Catholics and mainline Protestants," and in 2019 might outnumber evangelicals. "There will soon be more Nones than any single group of Christians." Ex-Catholics are 13 percent of the American population.

Furthermore, The New York Times reports that with the Democrats' capture of New York's 11th Congressional District, which includes Staten Island and part of Brooklyn,

Republicans now hold no "truly urban" district. Since Republicans lost four Orange County, Calif., seats in November — the Democrats lost only two seats nationally — there are no Republicans from there in Congress for the first time since 1940. There also are no Republicans from New England.

If, however, Democrats aspire to be less of a coastal party — as of January, there are more House Democrats from California than from 36 other states combined — they should want to emulate Bustos' success among voters she calls "Trump triers," those who are less than his devoted acolytes.

Republicans can hope that, in 2020, with Trump presumably at the top of their ticket, the turnout will be much larger and very unlike that of 2018. But analyst Charlie Cook, citing Michael McDonald of the United States Elections Project, says the 2018 turnout of 50.1 percent was the highest of any midterm election cycle since 1914. David Wasserman of the Cook Political Report says Republicans lost 96 percent of House contests in districts Trump either lost or carried by less than 7 points.

Bustos sometimes connects with her constituents by asking them what they do for fun. When one woman answered "cable television," Bustos asked whether her family went out to movies. No, the woman replied, four tickets and popcorn exceed the family's budget. This answer spoke volumes about the constituent's disposable income. Bustos' question revealed a well-honed political intuition. Democrats, she says, have to "own" districts like hers, "not rent them." This is what ownership looks like: Her four victories have been by margins of 6, 11, 20 and 24 percentage points.

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Bustos

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Racial inequities in school discipline

The Chicago Tribune's recent editorial "Race and School Discipline" (Jan. 2) is a flawed and narrow take on racial disparities within school discipline practices.

The Federal Commission on School Safety, appointed by President Donald Trump in March 2018 and chaired by Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, recently recommended rolling back Obama administration guidance to school districts that established protections for students of color and students with disabilities.

The Tribune Editorial Board, as does the commission, argues those protections are unnecessary and that local districts should be allowed to set policies that work for their communities. On the surface, that may seem like a plausible recommendation. Until you review the facts.

Several studies have shown discrimination in student discipline. For example, research indicates that African-American and Latino students are more likely than their white peers to be expelled or suspended as a consequence for the same negative behavior.

Even worse, African-American students are severely punished for small infractions, while their white counterparts who commit more serious infractions receive lesser punishments.

In other words, the issue is not simply that more students of color struggle with behavioral issues, as the Tribune argues. The issue is how that behavior is addressed.

A March 2018 study by the Government Accountability Office makes clear the need for protections for students of color and those with disabilities:

■ In 2013-14, there were approximately 17.4 million more white

students attending K-12 public schools than black students yet nearly 176,000 more black students than white students were suspended that school year.

■ Across all disciplinary actions (expulsions, suspensions, corporal punishment, referral to law enforcement and school-related arrests), black students, boys, and students with disabilities experienced disproportionate levels of discipline.

■ In K-12, black boys and girls were the only racial group where both sexes are disproportionately disciplined across all methods.

■ Black students accounted for 15.5 percent of all public school students, but represented about 39 percent of students suspended from school.

■ Black students represent 19 percent of preschool enrollment, but accounted for 47 percent of out-of-school suspension.

When data clearly demonstrate the disproportionate impact of institutionalized inequity, the federal government must step in to right those wrongs with policies that both attack the inequities that persist and support all students.

— Beth Swanson, vice president,

strategy & programs, The Joyce Foundation

Warren's 'likability'

Heidi Stevens' article on Elizabeth Warren's "likability" problem is interesting reading, as always, but trades in disparaging canards about conservatives and male voters generally. ("What we're really saying when we debate Elizabeth Warren's likability," Jan. 4).

As a libertarian-leaning conservative of long standing, I can safely say that conservative opposition to Warren has nothing to do with her gender. It is her politics with which we tend to disagree.

I and most of my friends would happily have supported, or did support, Nikki Haley for president, and many of us still hope that Condoleezza Rice will run someday.

I can't speak for Democrats, who appear to view everything through the lenses of gender and race, but I judge individuals as individuals.

Stevens cites a single hypothetical Ivy League study in support of her thesis, most likely of self-

selecting graduate students, but longstanding real world evidence demonstrates that likability plays a huge role in the electability of male candidates as well.

Richard Nixon lost to JFK for many reasons, but likability was one. More recently, the far more accomplished Ted Cruz nearly lost to upstart Beto O'Rourke, with even conservative supporters acknowledging Cruz's lack of likability. In between, George H.W. Bush lost his re-election bid to his more likable opponent Bill Clinton.

Warren is an accomplished and intelligent person, and I wish her well. But if she fails to obtain either the nomination or the White House, it won't be because she's a woman. It will be because not enough voters support her policies or because, like Hillary Clinton, she tries too hard to pretend to be something she's not.

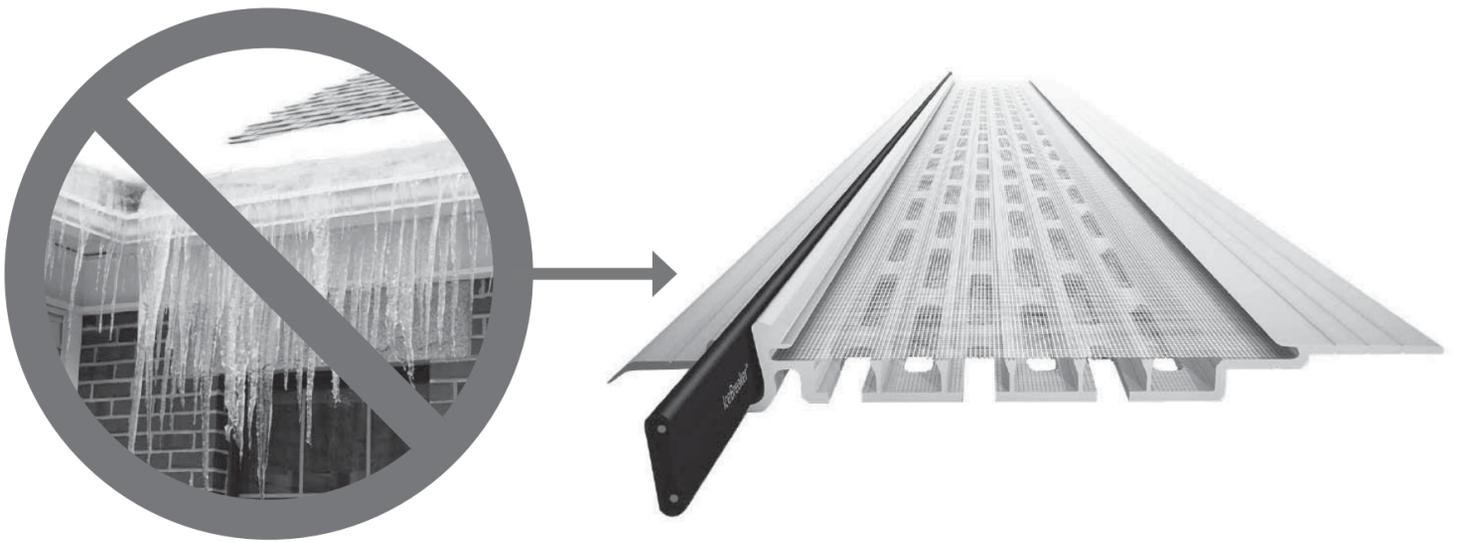
If she wants to win, she should spend less time pausing to grab a beer during a speech to try show that she's "just like one of you" and more time embracing the intelligence and passion that got her where she is today.

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New MEMX market to take on old guard

Citadel Securities among founders seeking to increase competition and transparency

BY NICK BAKER
Bloomberg News

A group of big banks and brokers is forming a new U.S. stock market, funneling years of frustration about how much exchanges charge into the creation of a competitor.

The nine founders, including Morgan Stanley, UBS Group, Citadel Securities and Virtu Financial, are seeking to “increase competi-

tion, improve operational transparency, further reduce fixed costs and simplify the execution of equity trading in the U.S.,” according to a statement Monday. The Members Exchange, or MEMX, raised \$70 million from the original group and is open to other investors, according to a person with knowledge of the matter.

The move recalls the days when the New York Stock Exchange and other exchanges were owned by

their members rather than being for-profit, publicly traded corporations whose interests sometimes conflicted with those of their customers. In recent years, brokers have complained that exchanges are charging too much for services including market data — the vital stream of price information that traders can’t live without.

By sending orders to an exchange they own, banks and brokers presumably can save money on trading costs. Many of these firms already own private dark pools where they transmit trades, but a public exchange

could be a more formidable competitor to Intercontinental Exchange’s NYSE, Nasdaq and CBOE Global Markets.

While success isn’t guaranteed, the group brings a tremendous amount of trading firepower, which could help the business flourish. Banks such as Morgan Stanley, UBS and Bank of America bring in huge client bases. So do retail brokers including TD Ameritrade Holding Corp. and ETrade Financial Corp. And Citadel Securities and Virtu are automated trading firms that are two of the biggest market makers in the

business.

Even if it doesn’t attract a large amount of trading volume, the Members Exchange could succeed if it simply prompts the incumbent markets to slow down price increases for their services.

There are currently 13 stock exchanges in the U.S. All but one is owned by ICE, Nasdaq or CBOE, which are publicly traded companies that have shareholders to keep happy. The other is the Investors Exchange, the market formed by closely held IEX Group that has a speed bump designed to slow down trading.



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Grubhub delivery person Robert Wold hands over food from Granite City Brewery as he completes a delivery in Rockford in December.

ALL THE HUBBUB OVER GRUBHUB

How Chicago-based delivery is expanding to cities where on-demand services are still a relative novelty

BY ALLY MAROTTI
Chicago Tribune

As a recent gray day in Rockford turned to night, Grubhub delivery driver Robert Wold’s phone chimed. Orders were coming in, one right after the other.

It was the kind of early December evening that wasn’t inviting for a night out. Snow lingered on the ground from a storm the

previous week, and it crunched under Wold’s boots as he got out of his car to make deliveries.

Grubhub delivery is new to Rockford, as are many services users can access with a tap of their smartphones. In metro areas like Chicago, the services have been available more than half a decade, and many people expect to be able to order virtually any service or food via their

mobile devices.

But in Rockford, a city of roughly 147,000 people about 75 miles northwest, on-demand services are still a relative novelty. In towns and cities new to the on-demand economy, people don’t yet turn to their smartphones every time they need a ride or a quick lunch. The streets aren’t clogged with ride-share or delivery drivers, and the battles

between tech companies and incumbent industries like hotels or taxis have been muted.

Still, residents and businesses in Rockford are starting to feel the effects.

Grubhub orders have turned into a significant revenue stream for at least one local restaurant. Drivers like Wold, a 54-year-old Naperville native who moved his family to Rockford in 2018 to be near his mother-in-law, are coming to depend on the flexible schedules the gig economy af-

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\$10M gift opens new urologic institute

BY LISA SCHENCKER
Chicago Tribune

Northwestern Medicine patients with urologic conditions, such as prostate or kidney cancer, will be able to see their doctors in one location, from diagnosis to recovery, with the opening of a new urologic institute Monday in Chicago’s Gold Coast neighborhood.

The new Polsky Urologic Cancer Institute is located in Northwestern Memorial Hospital’s Galter Pavilion, and the first phase of the institute opened Monday.

The institute is partly funded by a \$10 million gift from the Polsky family. Michael Polsky is founder and CEO of Invenergy, and Tanya Polsky, his wife, is a philanthropist and former finance executive.

“I think it will be game-changing for patients,” said Dr. Edward Schaeffer, chairman of the department of urology at Northwestern University’s Feinberg School of Medicine. “They can come to one facility, one physical location, and see all their care providers, get treated from A to Z, start to finish.”

The institute also will help physicians and researchers better collaborate in order to fuel innovation, Schaeffer said.

Nationwide, prostate cancer accounted for 9.5 percent of all new cancer cases in 2018 and nearly 5 percent of all deaths from cancer, according to the National Cancer Institute. Bladder cancer accounted for 4.7 percent of all new cancer cases in 2018.

“This gift to create a Urologic Cancer Institute at Northwestern Medicine symbolizes my family’s commitment to help others facing cancer come out on the winning side — and to ultimately eradicate the disease,” Michael Polsky said in a news release.

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U.S.-China trade talks resume

Optimism hovers over pressure to reach settlement

BY JOE McDONALD
Associated Press

BELJING — Facing a March deadline, talks aimed at ending a trade war between China and the U.S. are underway, with the world’s two biggest economies expressing optimism over the potential for progress but neither indicating its stance has changed.

Cooling economic growth in both countries is increasing pressure to reach a settlement.

As the talks began Monday at the Chinese Commerce Ministry, Beijing complained about a U.S. warship in what it said were Chinese waters, but it was unclear if that would disrupt the proceedings. Both sides have provided scant information about their discussions.

The talks went ahead despite tensions over the arrest of a Chinese tech executive in Canada on U.S. charges related to possible violations of trade sanctions against Iran. The American delegation is led by a deputy U.S. trade representative, Jeffrey Gerrish, and includes agriculture, energy,

commerce, treasury and State Department officials.

President Donald Trump imposed tariff increases of up to 25 percent on \$250 billion of Chinese imports over complaints Beijing steals or pressures companies to hand over technology. President Xi Jinping responded by imposing penalties on \$110 billion of American goods, slowing customs clearance for U.S. companies and suspending issuing licenses in finance and other businesses.

A Dec. 1 agreement postponed further tariff increases. Economists say the 90-day postponement of additional tariff increases that had been meant to take effect Jan. 1 may be too short to settle the disputes bedeviling U.S.-Chinese relations.

China’s growth fell to a post-global crisis low of 6.5 percent in the quarter ending in September. Auto sales tumbled 16 percent in November over a year earlier. Weak real estate sales are forcing developers to cut prices.

The U.S. economy grew at an annual rate of 3.4 percent in the third quarter, and unemployment

is at a five-decade low. But surveys show consumer confidence is weakening because of concern that growth will slow this year.

Washington, Europe and other trading partners complain Beijing’s tactics violate its market-opening obligations.

The standoff also reflects American anxiety about China’s rise as a potential competitor in telecommunications and other technology. Trump wants Beijing to roll back initiatives intended to create homegrown Chinese leaders in robotics and artificial intelligence.

China’s leaders see such strategies as a path to greater prosperity and global influence and have tried to defuse complaints by emphasizing the country’s potential as a huge consumer market.

They’ve also promised to allow more foreign access to its auto, finance and other industries.

Beijing has tried in vain to recruit France, Germany, South Korea and other governments as allies against Trump, but they have echoed U.S. complaints about Chinese industrial policy and market barriers.

The European Union filed its own challenge in the World Trade



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China’s President Xi Jinping and U.S. President Donald Trump haven’t changed their stances on trade.

Organization in June against Chinese rules that the 28-nation trade bloc said hamper the ability of foreign companies to protect and profit from their own technology.

For their part, Chinese officials are unhappy with U.S. curbs on exports of “dual use” technology with possible military applications. They complain China’s companies are treated unfairly in national security reviews of proposed corporate acquisitions,

though almost all deals are approved.

With talks expected to move into a second day Tuesday, it’s not clear whether the flap over the warship might throw them off track.

Ministry spokesman Lu Kang said that Chinese military aircraft and naval vessels were dispatched to identify the U.S. vessel and warn it to leave the area near disputed islands in the South China Sea.

Motorola Solutions acquires license plate tech company

BY ALLY MAROTTI
Chicago Tribune

Motorola Solutions, known for providing technology to first responders and law enforcement agencies, has acquired a company focused on license plate recognition technology.

Chicago-based Motorola Solutions paid \$445 million in cash and equity to acquire VaaS International Holdings. The deal closed last week.

Motorola Solutions is betting on the platform's

ability to help shorten response times for first responders and speed up police investigations, said Andrew Sinclair, corporate vice president and general manager of software enterprise.

VaaS cameras sit on police cars or commercial vehicles, recognizing license plate numbers and recording the location of vehicles. That data is fed into a network that can identify and locate a car involved in an Amber Alert, for example, more accurately and quickly than people calling

in reports.

The company has been working toward building an integrated suite of offerings for its customers — like Microsoft's Office 365, but for crime fighting data platforms, Sinclair said. The data VaaS collects could feed into the platforms Motorola Solutions already offers.

"We have everything from crime to incarceration," Sinclair said. "VaaS is a very critical part of our data story."

VaaS technology uses license plate reader cameras

to provide vehicle location data to its clients. VaaS has two subsidiaries: Digital Recognition Network for commercial customers and Vigilant Solutions for law enforcement. The data can be shared across law enforcement agencies and can be combined with police records.

Roughly 1,500 law enforcement agencies around the country use the platform, said Nagi Palle, chief operating officer at VaaS.

That includes more than 30 agencies in the Chicago area, including the police

departments in Schaumburg, Hinsdale and Lombard.

The tech company is based in California and Texas and employs about 350 employees, Palle said. It already has about a dozen employees in Chicago and does not have plans to relocate more as a result of the acquisition.

Motorola Solutions has 16,000 employees worldwide, including 3,100 employees in Chicago.

Law enforcement agencies' use of new technologies has drawn the ire of

civil liberties groups in the past over concerns about privacy. Earlier this year, for example, facial recognition tools Amazon provided to agencies came under fire for potentially assisting with surveillance of minority communities. Facial recognition software also has been criticized for misidentifying people of color.

VaaS license plate recognition platform is very controlled when it comes to privacy, Sinclair said. Additionally, license plate numbers aren't considered private under many local laws.

On-demand services expanding

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fords. Residents are growing more accustomed to the convenience of food deliveries, and travelers use Grubhub to order in to their hotels.

Forming habits like that takes time. Rockford Taco Bell franchisee Lee Engler wants to be there with delivery service as people come to expect it.

"You don't have to go to the food; the food can come to you," Engler said. "We view it as something that's really an advance in the marketplace for now, but eventually I think delivery is going to be prevalent everywhere."

'When there's a blizzard, we make snowmen'

Chicago-based Grubhub underwent a massive expansion in 2018, bringing its delivery service to more than 200 new cities and towns.

It entered into a partnership with Yum Brands in February, and the company's Taco Bell and KFC chains were anchor restaurants for many of Grubhub's new markets. The cities and towns to which the service expanded largely fall outside major metro areas and are later adopters of the on-demand economy, Rockford included.

A few Rockford restaurants have been using Grubhub's ordering platform since 2012. But daily orders have increased fivefold since the company launched delivery in Rockford last summer, said Adam DeWitt, Grubhub's president and chief financial officer. He declined to give exact order numbers.

For food-delivery aficionados in Rockford, RBI's Bar & Grill is synonymous with Grubhub.

Located off bustling Perryville Road, RBI's is the kind of place that serves breakfast until midnight and burgers at 7 a.m. Its menu spans from lobster mac and cheese to Fruity Pebbles French toast.

Delivery makes up 10 percent of RBI's business, and about 60 percent of delivery orders come through Grubhub, owner and operator Andy Roiniotis said.

RBI's has been on Grubhub since 2014 and employs its own delivery drivers. Grubhub orders have jumped since the company rolled out delivery in town and more diners started using the app. Sales through Grubhub went up 22 percent in the 90 days leading up to Dec. 4, Roiniotis said.

Roiniotis has doubled down on the technology, learning how to read the data the platform generates



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Grubhub delivery person Robert Wold collects food at Granite City Brewery in Rockford.

and adjust his strategy accordingly. He monitors for slow times to decide when to run promotions and for busy times to know when to add an extra delivery driver. He's figuring out when to depend on the service, and a late-November snowstorm that dropped almost a foot of snow on Rockford was one of those times.

The business RBI's did through Grubhub that day offset the income the restaurant lost from diners who stayed home due to the crummy weather, Roiniotis said.

"We preach, 'When there's a blizzard, we make snowmen,'" he said. "We don't take off; we use Grubhub."

'We've never delivered'

Rockford resident Misty Clark remembers when RBI's was one of the only restaurants in town on Grubhub.

When dozens of restaurants joined the platform over the summer, her horizons expanded. She now orders food from restaurants on the opposite side of town and tries new places when they run promotions on the app. Clark uses Grubhub religiously, she said, whether its for dinner at home with her husband or for lunch while she's at work.

"I work on the third floor of a building, it's cold out, I'm not trying to go trek for lunch everyday," said Clark, 32. "We get a half an hour, which is not a lot of time to get in the car, go get something and get back. You've got 8 minutes to eat it."

Clark and her friends use other on-demand services too. She has tried DoorDash, which delivers in Rockford as well, and a friend has ordered groceries from Shipt, which does the shopping for users. Uber and Lyft also operate in the Winnebago County seat.

But not everyone in Rockford has jumped on the mobile food ordering train.

Most of the patrons dining at Panino's Italian

Restaurant on East State Street during a recent lunch rush had never used Grubhub.

An attorney finishing his food said he tries to avoid depending too much on technology. A few tables over, three men taking the last bites of their sandwiches and chili agreed they wouldn't want to pay an extra delivery fee when they had time to kill during lunch anyway.

One of them, 53-year-old Bob Reesor, was sure his college-age kids have used the service.

"They wouldn't get off their butt if the place was on fire," he said.

But behind the counter, where workers made 17-inch sandwiches and baked Panino's signature fresh loaves of bread, at least two orders had just come in through Grubhub.

"We're actually picking up more business through (Grubhub)," said Tiffany Pabon, a 26-year-old employee at the locally owned restaurant.

Grubhub orders have kept workers busy during normally slow times between lunch and dinner, Pabon said. She's noticed items that aren't often ordered in the dining room being ordered through the platform, and having delivery drivers pick up catering orders has also been a help, she said.

Panino's two locations do less than 10 percent of their business through Grubhub, said owner Frank Savitski. But he expects that will increase.

"We can see the growth of it because we've never delivered," he said.

Not if, but how

During Grubhub's third-quarter earnings call in late October, CEO and founder Matt Maloney said it's no longer a question of if chains and independent restaurants should move into online ordering and delivery, but how.

Some Rockford restaurants new to Grubhub are still trying to figure that out. Dusty Boots Saloon &

Eatery, a country-themed sports bar with a cow skull hanging above the bar, gets at least 10 Grubhub orders a week, manager Jenna Joyner said.

She wanted to give the service a try but isn't sure it adds much to what Dusty Boots offers.

"Our food is not the draw," Joyner said.

While not every restaurant is seeing sales take off, the number of active diners Grubhub is adding to its platform through new markets like Rockford is driving the growth of the company.

The summer is usually slower for Grubhub, Maloney said during the call. This year, however, more people tried Grubhub for the first time during the third quarter than any quarter before. That brought the platform's total number of active diners to 16.4 million, a 67 percent increase from the year prior.

New diners mean more orders, Maloney said. Grubhub's net revenue of \$247 million in the third quarter was up 52 percent from the previous year.

Grubhub driver Wold worked the first day the company launched delivery in Rockford. There wasn't much business then, he said.

"It changed like that," he said, snapping his fingers. "I just don't think people out here were used to ordering things online, having an app on their phone."

Wold made three consecutive deliveries in two hours on a Tuesday evening in early December. One order from a Mexican restaurant included a few tacos. Another from a brewery filled the red Grubhub-branded cooler bag Wold carried.

A customer staying at the Holiday Inn off Interstate 90 ordered a Stuft Burrito combo, chips and nacho cheese sauce from Taco Bell.

"People are really counting on this," said Wold, as he drove toward Taco Bell to pick up the order.

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President of CBS News steps down after troubled year

BY DAVID BAUDER
Associated Press

NEW YORK — CBS has announced that its news division president, David Rhodes, is stepping down following a troubled year that saw morning anchor Charlie Rose and the top executive at "60 Minutes" lose their jobs following misconduct reports, and is being replaced by veteran producer Susan Zirinsky.

Zirinsky, who started work at CBS in the Washington bureau as a 20-year-old in the early 1970s and is currently the executive producer at "48 Hours," will take over in March.

"It's a very humbling and daunting role," said Zirinsky, 66, in an interview Sunday. "When you've been working someplace for 40 years, it's a moment."

Rhodes will work as an adviser to CBS News after leaving, said interim CBS Corp. leader Joseph Ianniello.

In a memo to his staff, Rhodes said that "the new year is a time for renewal, for new goals. The world we cover is changing, how we cover it is changing — and it's the right time for me to make a change too."

Rhodes came to CBS News from Fox News Channel and, together with former CBS News Chairman Jeff Fager, saw success in emphasizing a newsier approach than its rivals. The launch of "CBS This Morning" with Rose, Gayle King and Norah O'Donnell was a particular success.

But in November 2017, Rose was fired following reports of improper behavior involving female staffers at CBS News. The show's ratings have taken a tumble since then, and that show's executive producer recently exited.

Rhodes last fall also had to oust his former partner, Fager, who had returned to his original job as executive producer of "60 Minutes." Fager had sent a message regarded as threatening to a CBS reporter who was working on a story about alleged bad behavior at the show and by Fager.

"It was a cultural shift in the country and CBS had a piece of it, no doubt about it," Zirinsky said. "But we've taken it head-on."

Ianniello owes his job to a more sordid sexual misconduct involving former CBS Corp. Chief Executive Leslie Moonves, who was ousted last fall. The



RICHARD SHOTWELL/INVISION

David Rhodes is stepping down as president of CBS' news division, saying it's time to "make a change."

CBS board is trying to halt a multi-million dollar payment Moonves was to receive upon leaving.

Besides finding a new leader at "CBS This Morning," Zirinsky will be charged with appointing a new executive producer at "60 Minutes," television's most popular and influential news program. Bill Owens has been the interim leader and was considered a top candidate for the job, along with Zirinsky.

Rhodes' decision to appoint Jeff Glor as anchor of the "CBS Evening News" has not succeeded in the ratings.

Zirinsky said ratings issues are hardly unique to CBS News and that she's looking forward to the challenge of delivering news in a digital-heavy age heading into a new presidential election cycle.

"I really believe that the power is within us and there's work to be done," said Zirinsky, who planned to address the CBS News staff Monday.

As a news producer, Zirinsky has had a hand in dozens of major stories over four decades, perhaps most memorably in a documentary account of the 9/11 terrorist attacks as seen from the point of view of French filmmakers who were nearby making a documentary about firefighters that day.

She's also known to a generation of moviegoers. She was the model for the hard-charging news producer portrayed by Holly Hunter in the 1987 movie, "Broadcast News."

"No broadcast news producer is more highly respected and admired than Susan Zirinsky," Ianniello said. "She is an exceptional leader, a creative force, and an outstanding and proven journalist."

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CES fights boys club reputation

Tech's big gadget show edges closer to gender equity

By BARBARA ORTUTAY
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The world's largest tech conference has apparently learned a big lesson about gender equity.

CES, the huge annual consumer-electronics show in Las Vegas, caught major flak from activists in late 2017 when it unveiled an all-male lineup of keynote speakers for the second year in a row. Although it later added two female keynoters, the gathering's "boys club" reputation remained intact.

It didn't help that one of the unsanctioned events latching on to CES last year was a nightclub featuring female "robot strippers."

This year, four of the nine current keynoters are women. GenderAvenger, the activist group that raised a ruckus last year, recently sent CES organizers a congratulatory letter and awarded the show a "Gold Stamp of Approval" for a roster of keynote and "featured" speakers that it says is 45 percent women — 60 percent of them women of color.

It's a significant change for CES, which like most tech conferences remains disproportionately male, just like the industry it serves.

Even absent the robot dogs, sci-fi worthy gadgets and "booth babes" CES has been known for, you could readily peg it as a technology show from the bathroom lines alone — where men shift uncomfortably as they wait their turn while women waltz right in.

The four-day CES show opened Tuesday, though media previews began Sunday.

Keynoters this year include IBM CEO Ginni



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Rometty; Lisa Su, CEO of chipmaker Advanced Micro Devices; and U.S. Transportation Security Elaine Chao.

The entire featured speaker list is half female, although the exact percentage won't be known until after the event.

"There is no question we keep trying to do better," said Gary Shapiro, CEO of the Consumer Technology Association, which organizes CES.

"Diversity is about having people who see things differently — frankly, disagree with you and tell you that you are stupid," said Tania Yuki, CEO of social media analytics company Shareable and an attendee of CES for the past several years.

The big question, she

says, is whether CES has listened to its critics.

CES is the place to be for tech companies and startups to show off their latest gadgets and features. More than 180,000 people are expected to attend this year, and about 4,500 companies will be on the convention floor. Among them are newcomers like Tide maker Procter & Gamble, defense contractor Raytheon and tractor seller John Deere — all eager to burnish their technology bona fides.

But leveling the playing field often means more than inviting female CEOs to speak.

For starters, women and people of color are underrepresented in the tech industry, especially in leadership and technical roles. So, conference organizers

might need to look harder, or be more flexible in who they invite to speak.

There are also optics. Some companies still hire "fitness models," largely young women wearing tight-fitting outfits, to demo products. This can make it difficult for the few women at the show who are there as executives, engineers and other technologists, as men mistake them for models, too.

"When you are talking about scantily clad models you are setting a tone," said Bobbie Carlton, the founder of Innovation Women, a speaker bureau for women. "It is a slippery slope and you end up with this type of mentality that runs through industry, where women are objectified and are only useful if they look good."

There are also logistical challenges, Carlton said. Women often work for smaller companies, which can find it more challenging to "send someone cross-country to stay at a fancy hotel for three days," she said.

Rajia Abdelaziz is CEO of Invisawear, a startup that makes smart "safety jewelry." While she's attending CES this year, she said it wasn't worth the \$10,000 it would cost her company to have its own convention-floor booth. In addition to the cost concerns, Abdelaziz notes that her products are primarily aimed at women — and there just aren't that many of them at CES.

Women are also still more likely to be responsible for the home and for

child care, so they might turn down speaking opportunities if the timing doesn't work for them, Carlton said.

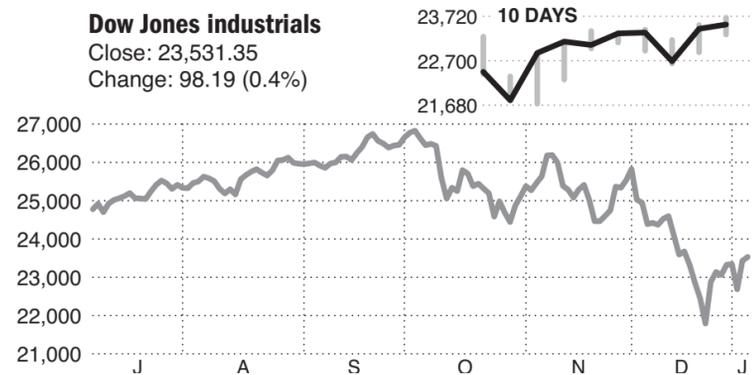
CES has tried to make some concessions. It offers private pods for women to pump breast milk at the event. But it doesn't offer child care support, unlike the smaller Grace Hopper Celebration for Women in Computing conference, a fall event aimed at women in computer science.

Organizers note that children are not permitted at CES. Although kids are also banned from Grace Hopper, that conference still manages to offer free child care for attendees.

Still, Yuki is hopeful that CES is on the right track. "It's a big conference," she said. "You can only turn a very big ship very slowly."

MARKET ROUNDUP

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High: 6,855.60
Low: 6,741.40
Previous: 6,738.86

S&P 500
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Close: 2,549.69
High: 2,566.16
Low: 2,524.56
Previous: 2,531.94

Russell 2000
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Low: 1,380.84
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Yen
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Euro
-0.0060 to .8712/\$1

Crude Oil
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Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+0.87	+2.84	+1.71	-3.65	-2.81	-3.34	-6.93	-4.67	-7.21

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	518	518.50	513.50	516.75	-.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	382.25	384	381.75	382.25	-.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	909.50	915.75	909.50	912.25	+2.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 19	28.47	28.55	28.26	28.26	-.15
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 19	316.00	319.30	316.00	318.20	+3.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Feb 19	48.30	49.79	48.11	48.52	+0.56
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Feb 19	2.962	2.994	2.910	2.944	-.100
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Feb 19	1.3560	1.3945	1.3389	1.3408	-.0070

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Abbott Labs	N	69.13	+1.02	Equity Lifestyle Prop	N	94.95	-.44	Mondelez Intl	O	41.12	+.28
AbbVie Inc	N	90.37	+1.30	Equity Residential	N	65.10	+0.54	Morningstar Inc	O	107.77	-.74
Allstate Corp	N	82.54	-.13	Exelon Corp	N	44.70	+0.08	Motorola Solutions	N	116.10	+5.14
Altair Group Inc	N	91.95	+0.88	First Indl RT	N	28.75	+0.16	NISource Inc	N	25.68	+0.54
Arch Dan Mid	N	41.92	+0.21	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	40.80	+0.92	Nthn Trust Cp	O	84.97	+0.22
Baxter Intl	N	66.17	-.33	Gallagher AJ	N	72.11	-.21	Old Republic	N	20.53	-.11
Boeing Co	N	328.11	+1.03	Grainger WW	N	277.13	-2.00	Packaging Corp Am	N	87.02	+0.85
Brunswick Corp	N	46.80	+0.16	GrubHub Inc	N	79.85	+4.05	Paylocity Hldg	O	61.27	+0.59
CBOE Global Markets	N	96.55	-1.81	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	88.97	+1.13	Stericycle Inc	O	38.10	+0.55
CDK Global Inc	O	49.11	+0.03	IDEX Corp	N	131.83	+2.48	Teleph Data	N	35.53	+0.62
CDW Corp	O	77.57	-.31	ITW	N	127.21	+0.03	TransUnion	N	55.59	-.62
CF Industries	N	44.11	+0.15	Ingredion Inc	N	94.48	+0.44	Tribune Media Co A	N	45.54	+0.19
CME Group	O	183.75	-.93	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	127.63	+0.24	US Foods Holding	N	33.16	+0.40
CNA Financial	N	44.24	-.57	Kemper Corp	N	67.06	+0.14	USG Corp	N	42.96	-.02
Caterpillar Inc	N	128.23	+0.08	Kraft Heinz Co	O	45.33	+0.84	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	271.00	+15.97
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	22.31	+0.45	LKQ Corporation	O	24.17	+0.34	United Contl Hldgs	O	83.23	+0.55
Deere Co	N	154.16	+2.48	Littelfuse Inc	O	172.08	+1.80	Ventas Inc	N	57.92	+0.32
Discover Fin Svcs	N	61.39	+0.10	MB Financial	O	41.49	+0.26	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	69.97	+0.40
Dover Corp	N	73.93	+0.97	McDonalds Corp	N	180.22	+1.94	Wintrust Financial	O	69.31	+0.26
Equity Commonwlth	N	29.43	...	Middleby Corp	O	104.56	+0.54	Zebra Tech	O	155.29	+2.32

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	8.74	-.01
Bank of America	25.56	+0.52
Weatherford Intl Ltd	.53	+0.05
EnCana Corp	6.28	+0.05
AT&T Inc	30.89	+0.55
Ford Motor	8.29	+0.21
Chesapck Enegy	2.37	+0.12
Petrobras	15.06	+0.30
PG&E Corp	18.95	-0.45
QEP Resources Inc	8.53	+2.45
Ambev S.A.	4.35	-.07
Nabors Inds	2.66	+0.27
Brist Myr Sqb	48.41	+1.52
Vale SA	13.83	-.19
Nokia Corp	6.02	+0.09
Energy Transfer LP	14.46	+0.28
Transocean Ltd	8.28	+0.66
Sthwstn Energy	4.07	+0.17
Wells Fargo & Co	47.64	-.31
Itau Unibanco Hldg	9.88	-.09
CitiGroup	55.61	+0.48
CenturyLink Inc	16.30	+0.35
Twitter Inc	31.34	+1.39
Pfizer Inc	43.23	+0.23

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	143.10	+3.35
Alphabet Inc C	1068.39	-2.32
Alphabet Inc A	1075.92	-2.15
Amazon.com Inc	1629.51	+54.12
Apple Inc	147.93	-.33
Bank of America	25.56	-0.20
Berkshire Hath B	196.91	+1.71
Exxon Mobil Corp	71.52	+0.37
Facebook Inc	138.05	+1.10
JPMorgan Chase	100.76	+0.07
Johnson & Johnson	127.01	-.82
Microsoft Corp	102.06	+1.13
Pfizer Inc	43.23	+0.23
Royal Dutch Shell B	62.00	-.22
Royal Dutch Shell A	60.63	+0.08
Unitedhealth Group	240.08	+0.46
Verizon Comm	56.72	+0.36
Visa Inc	136.06	+2.41
WalMart Strs	94.54	+1.10

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets			
FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	28.41	+3.2	-3.0
American Funds AMRCNBAlA m	25.09	+0.7	-3.4
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	34.37	+2.3	-11.5
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	56.84	+0.7	-7.2
American Funds FdmtInvSA m	53.09	+3.2	-7.7
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	43.82	+5.2	-3.6
American Funds IncAmrcA m	20.87	+0.6	-5.2
American Funds InvAmrcA m	34.43	+1.3	-7.2
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	38.33	+3.2	-7.2
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	41.52	+1.5	-4.1
DFA EMktCorEq	19.49	+0.7	-17.1
Dodge & Cox Int	13.28	+0.1	-1.1
Dodge & Cox IntStk	39.04	+1.9	-18.5
Dodge & Cox Stk	177.75	+1.01	-7.4
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.42	-.01	-3.9
Fidelity 500dixnsPfm	88.61	+6.2	-5.2
Fidelity Contrafund	11.27	+1.3	-3.3
Fidelity ContrafundK	11.27	+1.3	-3.2
Fidelity TtMktDixnsPfm	72.03	+6.2	-5.7
Fidelity USBDixnsPfm	11.28	-.01	-4.7
Franklin Templeton Inca1 m	2.18	+0.2	+4.7
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.41	-.01	-1.1
PIMCO IncInstl	11.84	...	+0.8
PIMCO TtRetIns	9.94	-.01	-2.3
Schwab SP500dix	38.97	+2.7	-5.3
T. Rowe Price BCGR	98.33	+1.21	+3.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	58.60	+0.68	-2.1
Vanguard 500dixAdmrl	235.46	+1.64	-5.3
Vanguard DivGrlnv	24.52	+0.03	-1.6
Vanguard EqIncAdmrl	67.28	+1.4	-6.0
Vanguard GrdAdmrl	70.39	+0.70	-4.7
Vanguard TtBdixns	81.55	+0.75	-2.2
Vanguard IntTrnGdAdm	10.84	-.01	-2.9
Vanguard IntTrTEAdmrl	13.96	...	+1.7
Vanguard Insdixns	231.51	+1.62	-5.2
Vanguard InsdixnsPlus	231.52	+1.61	-5.2
Vanguard InsTtMtlInPls	55.20	+0.48	-5.5
Vanguard MdCpdxAdmrl	174.99	+2.25	-9.1
Vanguard PmCpAdmrl	123.46	+1.06	-3.6
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.44	-.01	+1.1
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	65.40	+1.08	-7.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	28.95	+1.0	-4.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	17.23	+0.07	-5.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	31.27	+1.15	-6.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	19.12	+1.11	-7.0
Vanguard TtBdixAdmrl	10.45	-.02	+3.0
Vanguard TtBdixns	10.45	-.02	+3.0
Vanguard TtBdixAdmrl	21.68	-.01	+3.0
Vanguard TtBdixns	32.53	-.03	+3.0
Vanguard TtBdixAdmrl	10.84	-.01	+2.9
Vanguard TtSldixAdmrl	25.93	+1.13	-5.3
Vanguard TtSldixns	103.70	+5.3	-15.3
Vanguard TtSldixnsPlus	103.72	+5.3	-15.2
Vanguard TtSldixAdmrl	15.50	+0.08	-5.3
Vanguard TtSldixns	63.35	+0.54	-5.6
Vanguard TtSldixAdmrl	63.36	+0.54	-5.7
Vanguard WlghtnAdmrl	64.63	+0.06	-3.8
Vanguard WlghtnAdmrl	59.42	-.02	-2.5
Vanguard WndsrllAdmrl	56.38	+0.20	-9.1

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Adv Micro Dev	20.57	+1.57
Apple Inc	147.93	-.33
Axsome Therapeutics	6.	

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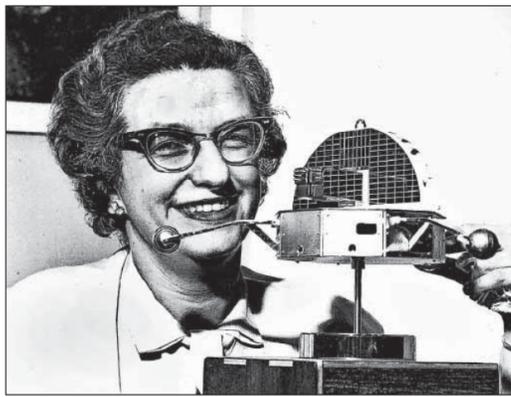
NANCY GRACE ROMAN 1925-2018

Was 'Mother of Hubble' for work with telescope

BY GRAYDON MEGAN
Chicago Tribune

After completing her doctorate in astronomy and astrophysics at the University of Chicago in 1949, Nancy Grace Roman became the first female faculty member in physical sciences at the Hyde Park institution.

She subsequently embarked on a 21-year career with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, running the agency's astronomy program. According to NASA's website, Roman was often called the "Mother of Hubble" for her efforts in making the Hubble Space Telescope a reality.



NASA

Nancy Grace Roman, shown with a model of the Orbiting Solar Observatory in 1962, joined NASA after it became apparent to her that as a woman it would be difficult to get tenure in any university astronomy research department.

Roman, 93, died of natural causes Dec. 25 in a hospital in Germantown, Md., according to her cousin Laura Bates Verreau. She had lived in Chevy Chase, Md., for many years.

Roman was born in 1925 in Nashville, Tenn., but moved frequently through childhood as her father pursued various jobs as a geophysicist. Her father was interested in science, and her mother was interested in the natural world. In an interview, Roman said her mother first got her interested in looking at the night sky. She was living with her family in Reno, Nev., and took advantage of the clear night skies there then to form a small astronomy club with other girls in the neighborhood.

Roman got an undergraduate degree in astronomy from Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania in 1946. After receiving her doctorate from the University of Chicago, she stayed on as a postdoctoral student and instructor. She then joined the faculty as an assistant professor, becoming the first woman on the department's faculty.

But it soon became clear that she wasn't going to get tenure with the university.

"It was not an easy time (for women)," said Angela Olinto, dean of the U. of C.'s physical sciences division in the Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics. Olinto followed in Roman's footsteps and in 1996 became only the second woman to join the department, more

than 40 years after Roman. In a 2016 interview in Science magazine, Roman attributed her success to her ability to "write and speak easily and well." But on reflection, she acknowledged that luck and perseverance played key roles in her life.

It wasn't just tenure at the U. of C. that concerned her. She said that as a woman she had little chance of getting tenure in any astronomy research department in those days. In the mid-1950s she accepted a position in the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington. She joined NASA in 1959, a year after the agency was formed.

"Her work was definitely of the highest caliber," Olinto said. "She found other ways to continue her astronomical career."

She was intrigued by the idea of setting up a program in space astronomy. "The idea of coming in with an absolutely clean slate to set up a program that I thought was likely to influence astronomy for 50 years was just a challenge that I couldn't turn down," she said in an oral history interview for the American Institute of Physics in 1980. "That's all there is to it."

Roman left NASA after 21 years but continued for many years working with contractors supporting the Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland.

Roman's many honors for outstanding contributions to space science and technology include several

NASA awards, the American Astronautical Society's William Randolph Lovelace II Award and the Women in Aerospace's Lifetime Achievement Award.

NASA's website notes that Roman was instrumental in establishing the new era of space-based astronomical instrumentation.

"Nancy Grace Roman was a groundbreaking scientist who, as many 'first women,' found a creative nontraditional path to make her significant scientific contribution given the prejudice against women in science at the time," Olinto said in an email.

Roman also was a strong proponent of science education, her cousin said. "She was very devoted to promoting the opportunities for women and girls," Bates Verreau said. "After she retired she made many presentations at schools to interest young people in science."

The University of Chicago's Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics plans to name a seminar room after Roman. In her reply to the request to name the room after her, Roman said, "I hope that naming a room for a woman will encourage your female students. Astronomy needs more diversity."

Roman leaves no immediate survivors. A memorial service is planned for Jan. 15 in Bethesda.

Graydon Megan is a freelance reporter.

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Death Notices

Carlson, Dorothy Jean

Dorothy Jean Carlson nee Adams, age 87, of Northbrook, passed away peacefully into the Lord's hands on January 5, 2019 after a long recovery effort from a stroke in May. Beloved wife of Gordon; loving mother of Sherri (Frank) Vincent, David (Debbie), and Sandy (Gregg) Day; cherished grandmother of 9 and dear great grandmother of 7. Visitation will be held Thursday, January 10 from 4 to 8 pm at N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home, 1240 Waukegan Road, Glenview. Memorial service will be held Friday, January 11 at 1:30 pm at Covenant Village of Northbrook Fellowship Center, 2625 Techny Road, Northbrook. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Covenant Village Benevolent Fund, 2625 Techny Road, Northbrook, IL 60062. Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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DALY, RICHARD "DICK"

Richard "Dick" Daly, age 92. "The Legend of Louisburgh" the beloved husband of 56 years of the late Norine Daly (nee Kelly), wonderful and loving father of Mary Ann, Rick (Mary Heinz), John (Barb), Tom (Joyce), Mike (Mary), Nancy (Larry) Bourbon, Joe (Julie), Katie (Jimmy) White, Marty (Tara) and Maggie; loving grandfather of 25, great-grandfather of 13; preceded in death by two sisters and seven brothers; also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. 29-year veteran of the Chicago Fire Department, one of the founding members of The Connaught Social Club, member of Holy Name Society and St. Vincent DePaul. In lieu of flowers, donations to McNulty/Kelly Scholarship Fund c/o St. Edwards School, 4343 W. Sunnyside, Chicago, IL 60630 appreciated. Visitation Wednesday from 2-9 p.m. with funeral services Thursday from Tohle Funeral Home, 4325 W. Lawrence. Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Edward Church 4350 W. Sunnyside Ave. Private interment. Info 773-685-4400 or www.tohlefuneralhome.com.

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See Ruby Henriades notice.

Dundich, Rosemary

Rosemary Dundich, age 94; Beloved wife of the late John; Loving mother of John (Angela), Cynthia (Thomas) Tartaglia and Olivia (Daniel) DelGiudice; Cherished Nani Rose of Dawn Cantore, Caryn Bertucci, Marissa Sherrick, Audrey DelGiudice, Antoinette Tartaglia & great grandmother of Dominic, Luciana, Rowan, Juliana, Sawyer and Gino; Dearest sister of the late William (the late Joanne) Messina; Funeral prayers Thursday 10:15 a.m. from Belmont Funeral Home, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. to St. Cyprian Church for 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 p.m. Info. 773-286-2500 or www.belmontfuneralhome.com

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Duquette, Blanche "Bee"

Blanche Mary Duquette (nee Blaskovich), age 98, beloved wife of the late Francis (Duke), loving mother of 14, passed away peacefully at her home on January 3, 2019. Bee was born in Chicago, lived in Hinsdale for 60 years, and retired to Sequim, WA before moving to Western Springs. She showed unconditional love for her husband, all her children and their spouses, her 33 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren. They, in return, adored her. She found happiness, hope, and strength in her attendance at daily Mass and in her daily prayers. After raising her family, Bee worked for Dryden Press, a subsidiary of CBS where she soon became a well-respected and award-winning employee. She was always up for any new adventure, even in her last few months. She loved Bingo, card games, travel, and was an accomplished fisherwoman. Bee is survived her sister, Mary Blaskovich, and was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Tony Blaskovich. Visitation will be held from 3-9 pm on Friday, January 11, at Adolf Funeral Home, 7000 S. Madison Street, Willowbrook. Family and friends will meet for a Mass of Christian Burial at 9:45 am on Saturday, January 12, at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials would be appreciated to Word on Fire Ministries (www.wordonfire.org) or YMCA Camp Nawakwa (www.nawakwa.com). For a complete obituary of this amazing woman, please visit www.adolfservices.com or www.powellfuneraldirectors.com. For information 630-325-2300.

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Esposito, Robert

Robert Esposito, age 84, of Homewood. Beloved husband of the late Dolores (nee Ungari). Loving father of Donna Esposito-McGetrick, Frank V. (Tamara) Esposito and Michael (Shannon) Esposito. Devoted grandfather of Joey Mennella, Jim McGetrick, Justin McGetrick, Sara, Kristin and Emily Esposito, Dominic and Luca Esposito. Preceded in death by many brothers and sisters in Italy. Entombment private at Good Shepherd Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the American Cancer Society appreciated. For info 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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Gifford, Jr., William Allen "Bill"

William A. Gifford Jr. (Bill), age 82, of Evanston, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 25. Beloved husband of Carolyn (DeSwarte). Devoted father of Michael Beck-Gifford (Hillary), David Gifford and Peter Gifford (Elizabeth); loving grandfather of Galen, Shawn, and Eli; proud great grandfather of Gemma, Gwynneth, Liam, and Josh; devoted brother of Jack Gifford (Marge) and Mary Gifford; loving brother-in-law of Alice DeSwarte Smith. Beloved by many cousins, nieces and a nephew. A graduate of Northwestern University, Bill was a CPA for more than fifty years and was active in the Illinois CPA Society. He served on the board of many charitable organizations in the Chicago area and beyond. Memorial Service Saturday, February 2, 2019, 10:00 AM, at Alice Millar Chapel, Northwestern University, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to McGaw YMCA (mcgawymca.org), SASI (sasiathome.org), and JourneyCare (journeycare.org).

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Glitto, Norene

Norene Glitto, nee Weber, age 86; beloved wife of the late Danny Glitto; loving mother of Daniel (Dorothy) Glitto; dear grandmother of Daniel (Sarah) and Anthony (Stefanie) Glitto; great-grandmother of Giuliana, Danny, Anthony, and Joseph; fond sister of the late Danny (Joanne) Weber. Visitation Thursday, January 10, 2019, 10:00 a.m. until time of Mass, 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Monastery Chapel at Villa St. Benedict; 1920 Maple Ave., Lisle, IL 60532. Interment, Mt. Carmel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Villa St. Benedict Foundation-Abbey Lane (www.villastben.org), appreciated. Arrangements by Adams-Winterfield and Sullivan Funeral Home. 630-968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com.

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Henriades, Ruby

Ruby Henriades nee Stavropoulos. Beloved wife of the late James Henriades; loving mother of Venita (Ed) Donnellan, Joanne Henriades, and William (Connie) Henriades, DDS; cherished yia-yia of James and William Henriades; dear sister of the late Koula Karamelas; and dear aunt of Lynn (Martin) Cunningham and Dorothea (Christopher) Patsavas. Ruby taught kindergarten and 1st grade for 35 years in the CPS, mostly in the Hegewisch neighborhood where she raised her family. As scholarship students, she and her sister Koula received their undergraduate and master's degrees from Northwestern University. Visitation Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Service 10:30 a.m. at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 13631 South Brainard Avenue, Chicago, IL 60633. Interment Elmwood Cemetery Memorials, Hammond, IN. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Assumption Greek Orthodox Church or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Hickey, Mary

Mary G Hickey, 75. Wife of the late John; loving mother of Maureen (Robert) Frederick, Kathleen, and Michael (Carmen). Proud grandmother of Victoria (Joe), Paul (Kristen), Andrew, Joshua, Kristina, Jessica, Nicole, Matthew, and Daniel; Great Grandmother of 9. Sister of Jack (Karen) Gavin. Sister-in-law of Ken Hickey. Visitation Wednesday 4 to 8 p.m. at Barr Funeral Home, 6222 N. Broadway, Chicago. Funeral leaving Thursday, 9:30 for 10 AM Mass at St. Gertrude Church, Chicago. Interment All Saints Cemetery, DesPlaines. For information call Barr Funeral Home (773) 743-4034 or leave a condolence at BarrFuneralHome.com.

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Hurst, Mary Kay

Mary Kay Hurst, nee Brady, 76, of South Edgebrook. Beloved wife of the late James H. Hurst, Sr. Loving mother of James H. Hurst, Jr. and Catherine (Noel) Heneghan. Proud grandmother of Gracie, Riley, Molly, Annie-Cate and James. Dear sister of the late Leo (Mary Catherine) Brady and the late Walter "Jimmy" Brady. Dear aunt of Mary Frances (Jeff) Schultz. Mary Kay will be missed by neighbors, Saint Tarcissus parishioners, cherished friends, Patricia Forest, Joanie Cavanaugh, Maureen Heneghan, Jimmy and Mary Riordan and her caregiver, Anney Medina. Visitation Friday, January 11, 2019 from 4pm until 9pm at M.J. Suerth Funeral Home, 6754 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago. Funeral Saturday, 9:30 AM prayers at the funeral home to Saint Tarcissus Church, 6030 W. Ardmore, Chicago. Mass 10:00 AM. Memorials appreciated to Misericordia, 6300 N. Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. For information 773-631-1240 or www.suerth.com.

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Indelli, Florence R.

Florence R. Indelli nee Caputo, 94, of Chicago, was born on May 12, 1924, and passed on January 6, 2019, surrounded by her loving family; beloved wife of the late George A. Indelli; devoted mother of Lucille (Johnny) Maggio and Joseph (Connie) Indelli; cherished grandmother of Lisa Marie (Tony) Manzo, George (Erica) Indelli, and Joseph Indelli; dear great-grandmother of Alyssa, Michael, and Anthony Manzo; loving sister of the late Caroline, Maddie, Katie, Pauline, and Joseph; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews; retired Crossing Guard, CPD. Visitation Tuesday from 3PM to 9PM at Montclair-Lucania Funeral Home, 6901 W. Belmont, Chicago; Mass Wednesday 10 AM at St. William Church, 2600 N. Sayre, Chicago; Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside; info 773-622-9300 or www.Montclair-LucaniaFuneral.com.

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Izzo, Charles K. 'Chuck'

Charles K. "Chuck" Izzo, age 70. Beloved husband of the late Mary (nee McMahon) Izzo. Loving father of Angela (Chris) Martin, Mike (Jill), Pat (Stephanie) and Kitty (David) Nalezny. Cherished grandfather of Maggie, Zeke, Christian, Natalie, Audrey, Sophie, Jake, Rocco, Charlie and Mary. Dear brother of George Izzo (David Arnold), Geraldine Izzo and the late Marlene (Jesse) Rosas. Fond uncle to many. Visitation Wednesday 3-9pm at the Maher Funeral Home 17101 S. 71st Ave Tinley Park. Family and friends to gather Thursday at St Zachary Church (567 W. Algonquin Rd. Des Plaines 60016) for Mass at 10:00am Interment St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery. To sign guestbook visit maherfuneralservices.com. (708) 781-9212.

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Levine, Neal A.

Neal A. Levine, 89, of Northbrook. Cherished husband of Rosalyn Levine, nee Rapp; loving father of Mitchell Levine, Greg Levine, Kathy Dalporto, and step-father of Lisa (John) O'Toole and Scott (June) Phillips; proud grandfather of 9; caring brother of the late Sanford (late Gloria) Levine and the late Beverly (late Don) Levinson. Friends and family will gather from 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 10, 2019 until time of the memorial service 3:00 p.m., at Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette, IL 60091. Memorial contributions to American Heart Assn. (www.heart.org) appreciated. For funeral information 847-256-5700.

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ON JANUARY 8 ...

In 1965 the Star of India and other stolen gems were returned to the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

In 1973 secret peace talks between the United States and North Vietnam resumed near Paris.

In 1975 Judge John Sirica ordered the release of Watergate figures John Dean, Herbert Kalmbach and Jeb Stuart Magruder from prison.

In 1982 American Telephone and Telegraph settled the Justice Department's antitrust lawsuit against it by agreeing to divest itself of the 22 Bell System companies.

In 1985 the Rev. Lawrence Martin Jenco of Joliet was kidnapped in Lebanon. (He was released 19 months later.)

In 1987 the Dow Jones industrial average closed above 2,000 for the first time, ending the day at 2,002.25.

In 1992 President George H.W. Bush, suffering from stomach flu, collapsed during a state dinner in Tokyo.

In 1993 seven people were found shot to death at a Brown's restaurant in Palatine. (Juan Luna and James Degorski were later convicted and sentenced to life in prison for the crime.)

In 1998 Ramzi Yousef, the mastermind of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, was sentenced in New York to life in prison.

In 1999 the top two executives of Salt Lake City's Olympic Organizing Committee resigned after disclosures that civic boosters had given cash to members of the International Olympic Committee.

In 2004 Libya agreed to compensate family members of victims of a 1989 bombing of a French passenger plane over the Niger desert that killed 170 people.

In 2011 a gunman allegedly attempting to assassinate U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., during a meet-your-congressperson event outside a grocery store in Tucson critically wounded the lawmaker with a shot to the head, killed six people including federal Judge John M. Roll and a 9-year-old girl, and wounded 12 others. The suspect, Jared Loughner, was tackled by witnesses at the scene, arrested and later placed in federal custody charged with several felonies.

In 2014 former White Sox great Frank Thomas joined former Atlanta Braves pitchers Greg Maddux, a former Cub, and Tom Glavine in the 2014 Hall of Fame class elected by members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

In 2015 the Chicago Bears hired Ryan Pace as the team's new general manager.

In 2016, after a deadly pre-dawn shootout, Mexican naval special forces captured drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman in the Sinaloa city of Los Mochis six months after he had escaped from a maximum security prison.

In 2018 the Chicago Bears hired Matt Nagy as the team's 16th head coach.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS
Jan. 7
Lotto 18 19 22 33 41 46 / 20
Lotto jackpot: \$5.75M
Pick 3 midday 426 / 2
Pick 4 midday 4843 / 5
Lucky Day Lotto midday
06 25 36 37 44
Pick 3 evening 587 / 0
Pick 4 evening 7387 / 0
Lucky Day Lotto evening
01 05 17 30 44
Jan. 8 Mega Millions: \$45M
Jan. 9 Powerball: \$82M

WISCONSIN
Jan. 7
Pick 3 656
Pick 4 3886
Badger 5 03 14 17 26 27
SuperCash 11 26 27 28 32 34

INDIANA
Jan. 7
Daily 3 midday 685 / 0
Daily 4 midday 2691 / 0
Daily 3 evening 439 / 7
Daily 4 evening 4240 / 7
Cash 5 08 11 13 32 41

MICHIGAN
Jan. 7
Daily 3 midday 364
Daily 4 midday 9431
Daily 3 evening 770
Daily 4 evening 6693
Fantasy 5 03 08 22 27 31
Keno 04 05 11 16 20 26
28 29 35 37 42 55 56 58
59 64 67 70 74 75 76 79

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Lewis, Sr., Vosse R.

Vosse R. Lewis, Sr. age 104, of Mankato, MN formerly of Evanston, IL, died Sunday, January 6, 2019 at Mayo Clinic Health System, Mankato.

Funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 12 at 2:00 p.m. at First Congregational Church of Evanston in Evanston, IL. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Arlington Heights, IL. **Mankato Mortuary** is in charge of arrangements.

Vosse was born on August 27, 1914 in Appleton, WI to Wayne and Madeline (Voss) Lewis. He was united in marriage to Ruby Larson. Vosse was a realtor in Illinois for many years. He was very active in the Elks.

Vosse is survived by his son, Dick (Jan) Lewis of Mankato; four grandchildren, Susan (Scott) Stoltzman of Good Thunder, David (Paige) Lewis of Geneva, IL, Kate Lewis of Woodbury, and Jim (Becca) Lewis of Mankato; six great-grandchildren, Katie (Justin) Fahey of Lake Crystal, Mitch Stoltzman of Mankato, Austin and Kennedy Lewis of Geneva, IL, and Alexa and Brian Lewis of Mankato. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Ruby.

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Ling, James

James Ling, 94, passed away on January 5, 2019. He was a beloved husband to Ruth Ling for fifty-seven years; and adoring father to Moses, Mary and Esther Ling. He was an Episcopalian Minister for almost sixty years. He went to seminary in Hong Kong and began his ministry in Taiwan and moved to Mauritius Island in 1972 with his family. In 1980 he relocated to Chicago, IL where he ministered until he retired at the age of 79. He was an avid reader who also enjoyed watching wrestling and Chinese opera. Services to be held privately. For more information please contact **Drake and Son Funeral Home** at 773-561-7846.

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Lonquist, Leota Jeanne

Leota "Jeanne" Lonquist, nee Gardner, age 94, died peacefully on January 5, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Bert; dear mother of Gary (Jackie) Lonquist and Nancy (David) Schachman; loving grandmother of Jeanmarie (Trevor) Gibbons, Jack (Antonia) Lonquist, Matthew (Laurie) and Amy Schachman; cherished great-grandmother of Ainsley, Scarlett, Callaghan and Blair Schachman and Charlie Gibbons; fond sister of Cheryl (Kenneth) Brandt and the late Alice Krantz; caring aunt, cousin and friend to many. Visitation will be held Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019 beginning at 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Service at 11:30 a.m. at Haben Funeral Home & Crematory, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie, IL. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Three Crowns Park Foundation, 2323 McDaniel Ave., Evanston, IL, 60201 or JourneyCare Hospice, 2050 Claire Ct., Glenview, IL, 60025. Funeral info: 847-673-6111 or www.habenfuneral.com to sign guestbook.



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McFerron, Lorraine

(nee Dixon). Age 93. Beloved wife of the late Robert McFerron, beloved sister of the late Betty Dixon, late Willard (late Celeste) Dixon, Genevieve (late Lawrence) Doyle, and cherished aunt of Michael (Stephanie) Dixon, Joan (Tom) Booth, Kathy (Bob) Haberkorn, Bill (Mary) Dixon, Dan (Janet) Dixon, and Tom (Mary) Dixon, Bob (Carol) Doyle, the late Jim (Linda) Doyle, Ed (Suzanne) Doyle, Bill (Kris) Doyle and the late Tom (Jan) Doyle; loving great-aunt and great-great aunt to many. Visitation Wednesday 9:00 a.m. until time of Mass of the Resurrection 10:00 a.m., Our Lady of the Woods Church, 10731 W. 131st Street, Orland Park, IL. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials in Lorraine's memory may be made to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60607. Arrangements entrusted to **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Homes** www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878

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Mitchell, Lorraine J.

Lorraine J. Mitchell (nee Semple), age 97, a resident of Naperville, IL since 1962, formerly of Chicago, IL, passed away on Sunday, January 6, 2019 at The Holmstad in Batavia, IL. She was born May 12, 1921 in Chicago, IL.

Visitation Wednesday, January 9, 2019, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM at **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville, IL.** A celebration of Lorraine's life will follow Wednesday, 1:00 PM in the funeral home with Rev. Cindy Marino officiating. Interment: Naperville Cemetery, Naperville. For a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.



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Mott, Olympia

Olympia Mott, nee Carvell, passed away on January 6, 2019. Beloved wife of the late John E. Mott and loving mother of Evan (Sarah) Psihogios, Athena (Bob) Dobyhall and Tom (Kendra) Psihogios. Devoted daughter of the late Evans and Frances Carvell.

Proud grandmother of Jack and Michael; dear sister of the late Athena, Evangeline and William. Olympia proudly served as a member of both the SS Peter and Paul choir and the Daughters of Penelope. Family and friends will meet on Thursday morning, January 10, 2019 at SS Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church, 1401 Wagner Road, Glenview, IL 60025 for funeral service at 10:00 a.m. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to SS Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church. Arranged by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please call 847-375-0095.

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Mullen, Marion A.

Marion A. Mullen nee Adair of Oak Park. Loving Wife of the late Terrence Sr. (aka "Moon"). Loving Mother of John J. (Catherine), Terrence J. (Gina), Mary, Kathleen (James) Soukup and the late Nancy. Cherished Grandmother of Koren (Richard), Jimmy, Ann, Jimmy, Riley and Theresa. Great Grandmother of T.J. Dear Sister of Eleanor and the late Mary Virginia. Fond Aunt of many. Also her "extended family" at Brookdale, Oak Park. Visitation Thursday from 3 until 8 P.M. at Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home, 203 South Marion St. Oak Park. Funeral Friday 9 A.M. from the funeral home to St. Bernardine Church, Forest Park, Mass 10 A.M. Int. Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In Lieu of Flowers, Masses Appreciated. 708-383-3191

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Pochis, Marlene C.

Marlene C. Pochis nee Friedman, age 87. Beloved wife for 60 years of the late David S. Pochis. Loving mother of Cindy (Bruce) Chudacoff, William (Jan) Pochis, Nancy (Doug) Bank, Stacy (Howard) Berk and Erica (Peter) Woelflein. Proud grandmother of Natalie, Elyse (James), Jordan, Maia, Nick, Grace, Andrew, Hannah and Bridget. Dear sister of Gloria (Lester) Lerman, Ronald (Patricia) Friedman, Barbara (Harvey) Walner, the late Furn (the late Ben) Wolach, the late Robert (Patricia) Friedman, and the late Lolita (the late Shirli) Cook. Fond aunt and friend of many. Avid golfer and art lover. Generous patron of the opera, symphony, theatres, and gardens. Service Wednesday 10AM at Memorial Park Mausoleum Chapel, 9900 Gross Point Road, Skokie. Private interment to follow. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Leukemia Research Foundation, www.allbloodcancers.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Rohde, Ellen M.

Ellen M. Rohde, nee Johnson, age 57, beloved wife of the late Keith C.; loving mother of Morgan, Brandon, and Keith Michael; cherished daughter of the late Paul and Mary Johnson; dear sister of Paul, Brian, Dan, and the late Allen Johnson and Mike (Mary Ann) Maslanka; fond sister-in-law of Cheri (Pete) Berman, Debbie Gorski, Ken (Kim) Rohde; caring aunt of many nieces and nephews. Ellen will be missed by her adoring puppy Lola. Memorial Visitation Wednesday 3 to 8 pm at Modell Funeral Home, 7710 S. Cass Ave., Darien. Funeral Thursday meeting at Holy Trinity Church, 111 S. Cass Ave, Westmont, for 10 am mass. Interment Private. For more info 630-852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Silvestri, Italo

Italo E. Silvestri, 93, Proud WWII Veteran of the United States Coast Guard; married for 65 years to the love of his life, his beloved wife, the late Norine nee Keane; dearest father of Sam, Kimberly (Lyle) Cohen, and the late Debra (John) Zito; devoted loving grandfather of Adam, Karaline, and Alivia Cohen, Elliott and Julian Zito and Valerie (Brian) Keets; great-grandfather of Giada, Vivian, and Marisa; dear son of the late Mary and Sam; cherished brother of the late Guerrino; fond uncle and cousin of many and great friend to all. Visitation Wednesday 2-9 pm and Thursday until time of prayers, 10 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home** 5917 W. Irving Park Rd (1/2 block East of Austin) to St. Mary Church, 794 Pearson Street, Des Plaines for a Mass of Christian Burial 11 AM. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. For info 773-777-3944 or www.gfhh.com

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Stotsky, Alyce Joy

Alyce Joy Stotsky, nee Novinson, 80, beloved wife of the late Morton; loving mother of Michael Stotsky and Michelle and Mike Katzenstein; adored Bubz of Klyne Stotsky, Aaron and Grant Katzenstein; dear sister of Eunice and Stanley Lehrer; treasured aunt of Dr. Lynne Belsky and Steven Chervony; special cousin of Dr. Neil Allen and Sherri Raskin; many loving relatives and friends. Chapel service, Wednesday 2:30 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. For information or condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

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Swanson, Sr., Gerald F.

Gerald F. Swanson, Sr., age 86, of Naperville, IL passed away on Sunday, January 6, 2019. He was born on April 7, 1932 in Chicago, IL. Jerry is a Veteran of the United States Army and served his country during the Korean War. He is survived by his loving wife; Elaine (nee Stahulak) Swanson, children; Patrick Swanson, Mary (Jeff) Martin and Katie Barrett, grandchildren; Ryan Martin, Carlina (Mike) Dunn, Ian Barrett and Devon Barrett, great-grandson; Oliver Dunn, many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his son, Gerald Swanson, Jr. and great-granddaughter Lily Barrett. Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, January 10, 2019, 10:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, 701 S. Eola Road, Aurora, IL. Interment private. Memorials in Jerry's name may be made to Wounded Warrior Project. Arrangements entrusted to **Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**. Info: 630-922-9630 or www.beidelmankunschfh.com

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Tufano, Nick A.

Nick A. Tufano, 82, of Arlington Hts.; former husband to Darlene King; loving husband to Arline Tufano; loved father to Connie (Tim) Rang, Nicole (Darrin) Caldwell and the late Christopher Tufano; beloved step-father to Richard (Cindy) Hecht and Martin Hecht; cherished grandfather to Maggie (Scott Schroyer) Rang, Emily (Ryan) Sharkey, Aaron Caldwell and Sean Caldwell; fond step-grandfather to Justin Hecht, Allison Hecht and Lilly Hecht; dear brother to Pat (Alice) Tufano, Tina (the late Kenneth) Meland, John (Kathleen) Tufano and Dominick (Nancy) Tufano; loving uncle to and many nieces and nephews. Mr. Tufano was a US Army veteran and worked as a broadcast engineer for NBC Television in Chicago for 36 years. Visitation, Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 3 pm until 8 pm at Glueckert Funeral Home Ltd., 1520 N. Arlington Hts. Rd. (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd.), Arlington Hts., IL 60004. Prayer Service 11 am Friday, January 11, 2018 at the funeral home. Interment will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-9959. Funeral Information and condolences can be given at www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.

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Wagner, Angelina 'Lee'

Angelina T. Wagner, 92, of Kansas City, MO, formerly of Chicago, IL, passed away January 5th, 2019, at K C Hospice House. Beloved wife of the late Ronald E. Wagner; loving mother of John (Sherry, deceased) Alford, Roy (Teresa) Alford and Debbie (Terry, deceased) Kinsella; loving grandmother, great-grandmother and aunt to many. Full obit at www.mcgilleystatelinechapel.com

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Weinstein, Fred S.

Fred S. Weinstein, 97, beloved husband of Zelma, nee Abramson for over 72 years; loving father of Alan (Linda), Jeffrey and the late Richard; cherished grandfather of Marc, Aaron (Michelle), Danny, Mitchell (Esmeralda), Samuel and Leah; adored great grandfather of Jeremiah, Gabriel and Christian; dear brother of the late Jerome (late Edith). Chapel service 10 AM Wednesday at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Rd, Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Clearbrook (www.clearbrook.org). For information or to leave condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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IN THE INTEREST OF
Ali O Barnaby

A MINOR
NO. **2018JD01693**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Unknown (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **October 15, 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 **Steven Bernstein** in the Cook County 3rd Municipal Courthouse located at 2121 Euclid Avenue, Rolling Meadows, Illinois on **01/22/2019 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 73 COURTROOM 030.

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
January 8, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
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ATTORNEY FOR:

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
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CITY/STATE: Rolling Meadows, Illinois 60008
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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
Andrew M Hoskins

A MINOR
NO. **2018JD01916**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Lanisha Hoskins (Mother)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **November 27, 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 **Kristal Royce Rivers** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **01/22/2019 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 56 COURTROOM 10.

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
January 8, 2019

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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
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
Baby Girl Abraytis AKA Alysa Evans

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Alysa Abraytis (Mother) AKA Ayisa Abraytis**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA01148**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Alysa Abraytis (Mother) AKA Ayisa Abraytis**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **December 4, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Maxwell Griffin** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/22/2019, at 1:30 PM** IN CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Cierra Porter

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Tiffany Porter (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **16JA00318**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Larry Lodge (Father), Unknown (Father)**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 12, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Nicholas Geanopoulos** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/29/2019, at 11:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Guillermo Garcia

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Noheми Vela (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00378**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Noheми Vela (Mother)**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **April 23, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Nicholas Geanopoulos** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/29/2019, at 10:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Noah Bush

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Briana Bush (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00708**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Davanta Dalvin Gainer (Father)**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 27, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Kimberly Lewis** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/29/2019, at 9:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Skylar Porter

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Tiffany Porter (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **16JA00319**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Michael Mayhorn (Father)**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 12, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Nicholas Geanopoulos** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/29/2019, at 11:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 8, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Levant Walker

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Angelica Schultz (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00832**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Leong Walker (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers Any**, respondents, and **to All Whom It May Concern**, that on **August 28, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Peter Vilkelis** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **01/29/2019, at 10:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 13 COURTROOM 13M, 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
January 8, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Mieah Villa Matteo Villa

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Annelisa Santiago (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00721 18JA00722**

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IN THE INTEREST OF
Noah Bush

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Briana Bush (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **18JA00708**

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IN THE INTEREST OF
Skylar Porter

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Tiffany Porter (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **16JA00319**

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BEARS

Cheers from tears

As it did for past Bears teams, playoff loss could spur run to Super Bowl



DAVID HAUGH

Out of every negative comes a positive, all good stems from something bad and adversity often leads to opportunity.

Or something like that. Right?

The Bears must believe in all the psychobabble, coach-speak cliches now that their magical season disappeared Sunday night when Cody Parkey's 43-yard field-goal attempt hit the left upright and caromed off the crossbar in a soul-crushing 16-15 playoff loss to the Eagles. "CLANKS FOR THE MEMORY!" Monday's edition of the Philadelphia Daily News screamed. One day, Bears fans might chuckle at the headline — but likely not one day soon.

The pain was palpable as thousands of stunned people fled Soldier Field after Parkey's miss, a Bartmanesque reaction combining regret, sadness and anger. It instantly became one

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SUPER BOWL PRECURSOR?

The Bears suffered tough playoff losses the season before each of their two Super Bowl appearances.

Jan. 6, 1985

NFC title game
Lost 23-0 at 49ers

Jan. 26, 1986

Super Bowl XX
Won 46-10 vs. Patriots

Jan. 15, 2006

NFC divisional round
Lost 29-21 vs. Panthers

Feb. 4, 2007

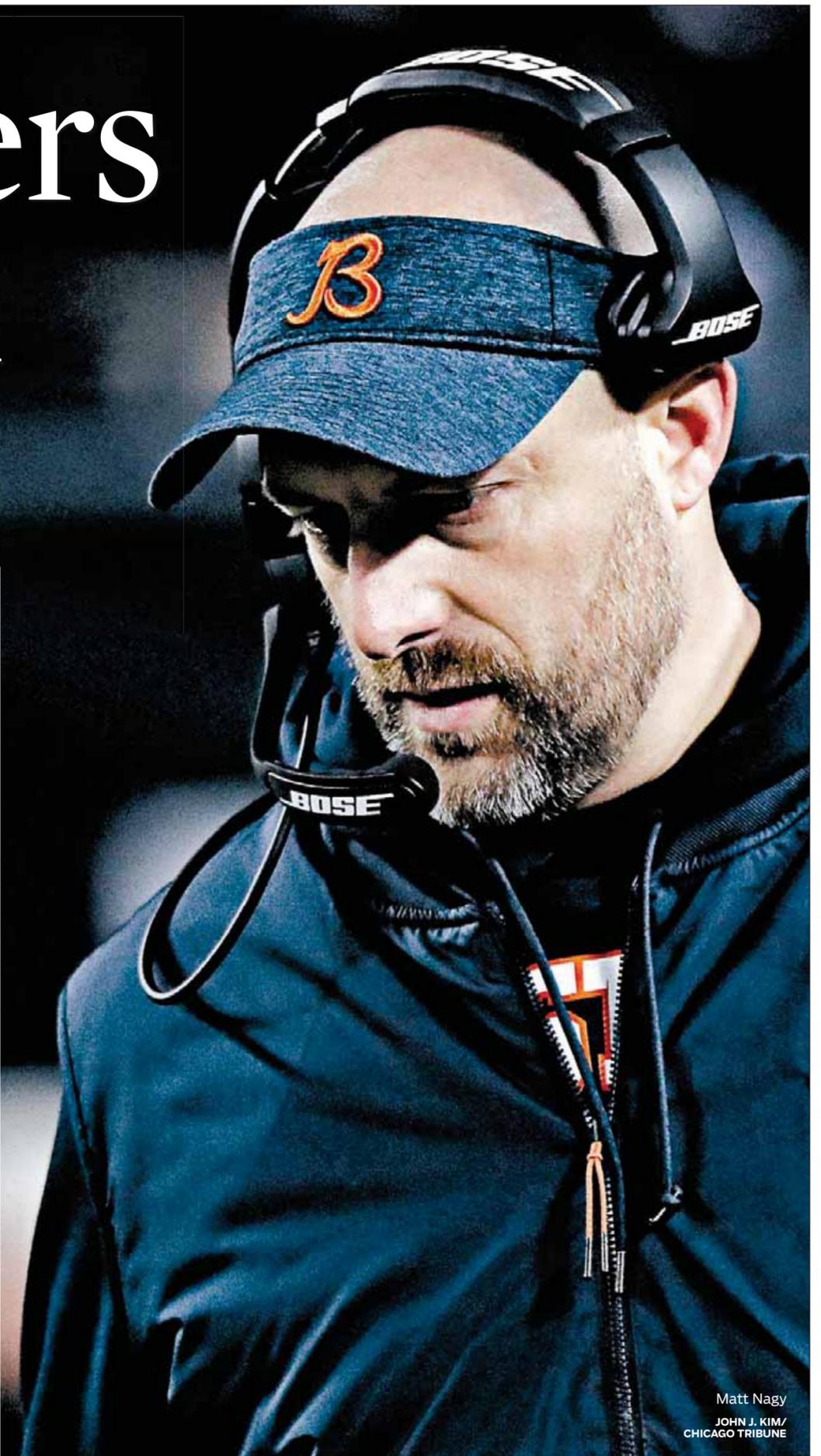
Super Bowl XLI
Lost 29-17 vs. Colts

Sunday

NFC wild-card round
Lost 16-15 vs. Eagles

Feb. 2, 2020

Super Bowl LIV
??



Matt Nagy

JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Fangio could become Bears' 2nd painful loss

Seeking head coach, Broncos talk to coordinator

The first major move Matt Nagy made a year ago was keeping Vic Fangio on his staff.

The first major move he could be forced to make this week is to begin finding a new coordinator for the NFL's No. 1 scoring defense.

Fangio met with Broncos officials, including president of football operations John Elway, to discuss their head-coaching vacancy Monday morning, a little more than 12 hours after the Bears were eliminated from the playoffs in a 16-15 loss to the Eagles at Soldier Field. Fangio was at Halas Hall by midday and met with players before a planned second meeting with Elway, who is seeking the Broncos' fourth coach in six years.



BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

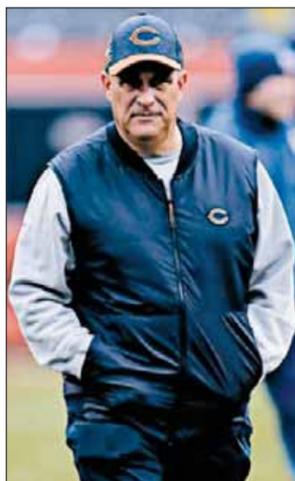
Players said Fangio did not talk about his future or opportunities but led a normal exit meeting.

Fangio isn't the only defensive coach with uncertainty. Sources said secondary coach Ed Donatell is coming out of contract, meaning he will soon be a free agent.

The Bears would like to retain Fangio, 60, but he has a shot to become a head coach for the first time in his career and that could be a lure Nagy, general manager Ryan Pace and the McCaskey family cannot compete with. Reported interest from the Dolphins did not result in an interview for Fangio.

"We understand the position he's in, knowing that — and I say

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JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Vic Fangio, on the sideline before Sunday's game, has interviewed with John Elway about the Broncos' head-coaching position.

MORE COVERAGE

Burton on injury that kept him out of Sunday's game: 'I let my team down.' Page 5

Deflection doesn't end blame game

Parkey still gets heat from fans, support from fellow athletes

By COLLEEN KANE
Chicago Tribune

The social-media storm swirling around one of the most infamous moments in Bears playoff history rumbled all day Monday.

There were photo galleries to examine not only each frame of Cody Parkey's missed 43-yard field-goal attempt Sunday night in a 16-15 loss to the Eagles but also the reaction of every Bears player and coach on the sideline as they watched the kick bounce off the left upright and crossbar and out.

There were memes and GIFs — see: mascot Staley Da Bear collapsing in the background of

the missed kick — to either incite laughter or more fuming about the Bears' first-round playoff exit, depending on the viewpoint.

There were messages of hate from trolls and angry fans and notes of encouragement for Parkey from athletes as high-profile as Kobe Bryant and Dwyane Wade.

But in the Bears locker room at Halas Hall at midday Monday, it was quiet as players trickled in to collect their belongings, still trying to find perspective on a shocking end to their season.

"It's a tough situation," Bears wide receiver Allen Robinson said of Parkey dealing with the scrutiny. "It's not ideal at all. But unfortunately, it is the game that we play, and unfortunately, especially on social media, every fan

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TOP OF THE SECOND



PHIL THOMPSON

Bears going down in history

The phrase may go down in NFL lore with the likes of “The Fumble,” “Wide Right” and other odes to playoff heartbreak — even if it does sound less dignified. “Double Doink.”

NBC’s “Sunday Night Football” commentator Cris Collinsworth created an instant classic with his snap call of Cody Parkey’s field-goal miss that clanked off the left upright, ricocheted off the crossbar below and sealed the Bears’ first-round exit from the playoffs.

“Oh, my goodness. The Bears season’s going to end on a double Doink. Unbelievable. How many times can they hit the upright?” Collinsworth asked.

“Five ... in this stadium,” booth partner Al Michaels said. “And one last week.”

Michaels’ initial play call may get a few turns in future highlight reels: “Ah, it hits the upright again. That’s impossible.”

But Collinsworth’s expression was immediately codified online by fans, sports sites, other media types (Bill Simmons wasted no time referring to the playoff clash as “The Double Doink Game”) and even the Eagles official Twitter account, which plastered it in all caps: “DOUBLE DOINK!”

Tribune Broadcasting editor Scott Gustin may have created a monster with a video clip that appears to show Eagles special teamer Treyvon Hester tipping Parkey’s field-goal attempt at the line of scrimmage. Apologists for Parkey (few if any in Chicago, if Twitter is any indication) already have used the frame-by-frame replay to make the case that the Bears kicker had at least a partial excuse for his monumental miss.

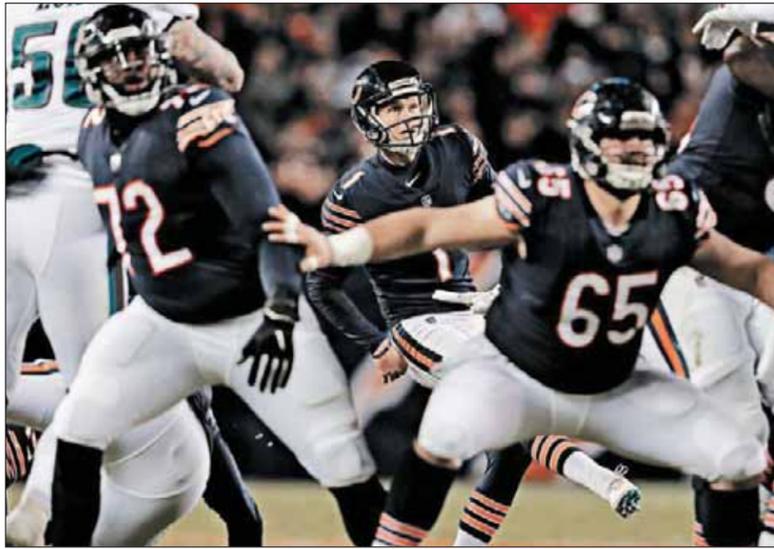
By late Monday afternoon, the tweet had more than 39,000 likes.

Also, several Eagles players also either defended Parkey or credited Hester, including defensive lineman Chris Long, who responded to Twitter video of Parkey being booed at Soldier Field: “Kick was tipped.”

NFL Network’s Elliott Harrison put it best, tweeting: “Now that we know Parkey’s kick was tipped, guess that means people are going to take back what they said about him now right ...

“Yea didn’t think so either.”

Doinks for the memories: Credit Michaels and Collinsworth for immediately



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kicker Cody Parkey and the Bears watch Sunday’s missed field goal against the Eagles.

recognizing Parkey’s penchant for hitting balls off uprights and avoiding the sin of omission that Troy Aikman and Joe Buck committed in the Bears finale against the Vikings.

But will that be the end of it?

Since Parkey has grabbed some goal post a remarkable six times over three games since November, it wouldn’t be a surprise to see others unearth every clunker he has ever made. Ahem, such as:

■ Sept. 25, 2016, versus the Dolphins, when he bounced a 42-yard field-goal attempt off the left upright in his debut as the Browns kicker. It was one of three misses that day.

■ Nov. 6, 2016, when he hit the left upright on a 41-yard attempt against the Cowboys.

■ Nov. 5, 2017, against the Raiders, when Parkey, then a Dolphin, banged the left upright (yes, again) on an extra-point attempt.

Each example only adds to his legend, so to speak.

Timing patterns: Did someone advise Collinsworth that he had a bias against Mitch Trubisky or that he hasn’t complimented him enough? Because

Collinsworth seemed to shoehorn in praise of the Bears quarterback at the oddest moments.

In one case he noted how “sharp” had been looking just two plays after Trubisky threw a near interception in the end zone.

Later, he gushed about Trubisky’s “phenomenal night” just before Trubisky was sacked.

Familiar feeling? Waiting for the result of Parkey’s make-or-break field-goal attempt must have seem like old times for ex-Bears Matt Forte, Dave Wannstedt, Alex Brown and Lance Briggs, who joined Laurence Holmes on NBC Sports Chicago’s postgame show.

In video clips, Brown and Briggs both took a knee, like they were back on the sideline at Soldier Field in Bears uniforms instead of in studio in suits. Briggs shouted “No! God!” and dropped an F-bomb after Parkey’s failed attempt at a game-winner.

Forte gloated, “He hit the pole. Again.” Then, with a satisfied smirk on his face, he added, “Told you.”

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MEDIA

Michaels: ‘Doink’ is a Maddenism



Al Michaels called Scott Norwood’s miss in Super Bowl XXV, Tony Romo’s botched hold in 2007 and Blair Walsh’s choke from 27 yards out in 2016. On Sunday he docu-

mented Cody Parkey’s ill-fated boot at Soldier Field.

“Last night was a different animal,” Michaels said Monday after returning to his home in Los Angeles.

The Bears’ 16-15 loss to the Eagles drew a massive TV rating for NBC — 35.9 million viewers. It was television’s most-watched show since Super Bowl LII.

More thoughts from Michaels, who called the game with Cris Collinsworth:

Had you envisioned an ending with Cody Parkey?

I never try to look that far ahead. The only thing we root for is drama, and we certainly got it last night. Tension. Controversy. That game had everything. It’s one of those games where the next day everyone around the country is talking about it. The rating had to be tremendous. That’s the kind of game you don’t tune it out. For a football fan it was a hell of a game. If you’re a Bears fan, it was misery.

You could not tell the kick was tipped, right?

Someone must have done some forensic accounting on that one. All of our replays you couldn’t see it. I guess (Treyvon Hester) got the tip of the finger on it. From what we could see, it didn’t look like the trajectory of the ball was altered at all. But in a situation like that, if it’s altered three inches it makes a difference.

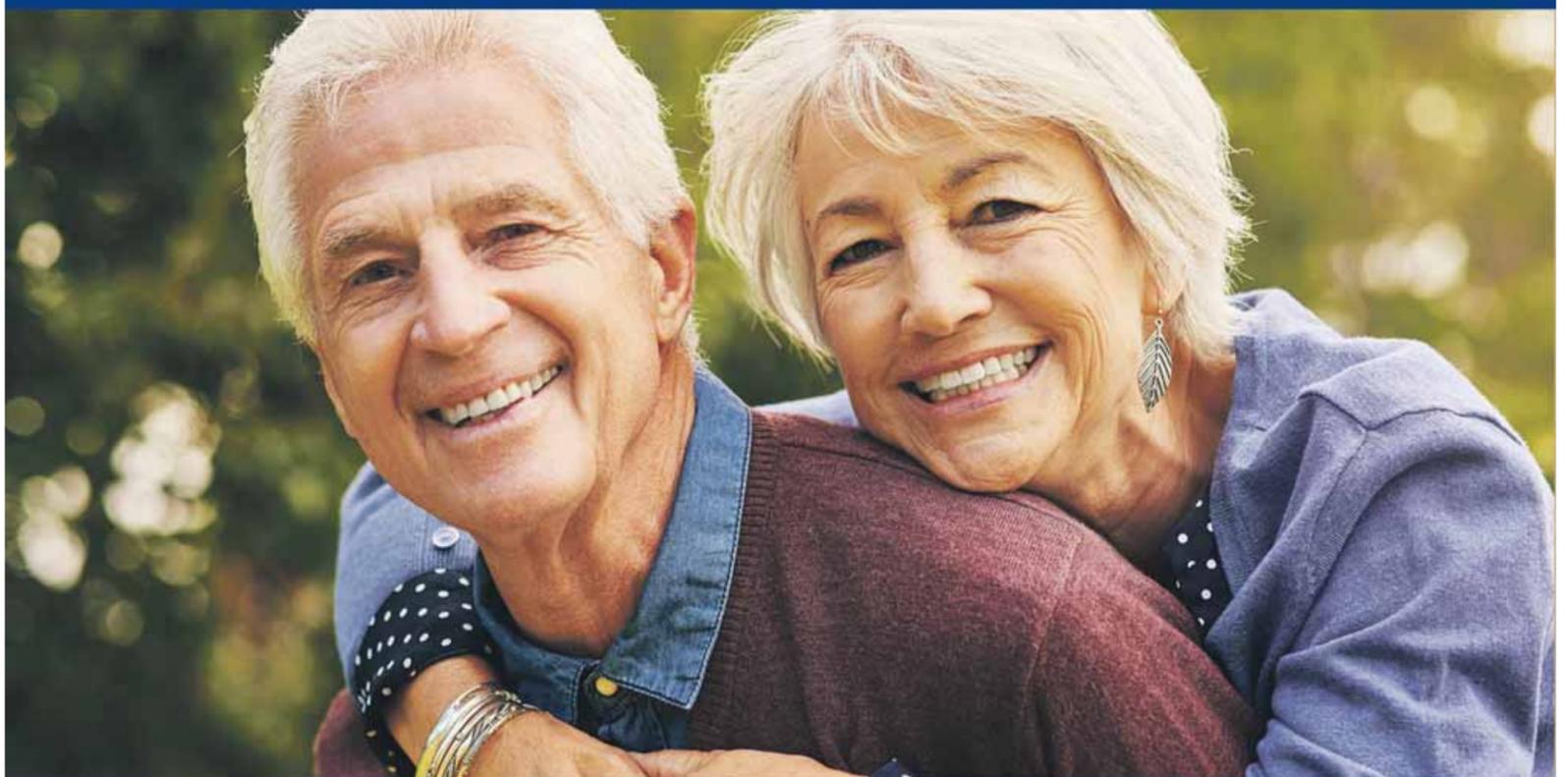
Is there a sound in sports as unique as a kick hitting an upright?

It’s very distinct and I credit my old partner John Madden for making up the word “doink.” It’s perfect — d-o-i-n-k. That reverberating, hollow sound. The perfect description. Not only that, this was the double-doink. Oy yoi yoi.

— Teddy Greenstein

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COLLEGES



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Trevor Lawrence, top, celebrates with teammate Gage Cervenka after Clemson's dominant victory over Alabama on Monday night.

CFP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CLEMSON 44, ALABAMA 16

BLOWOUT CITY

Clemson turns tide on Alabama behind Lawrence

BY RALPH D. RUSSO | Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — With stunning ease — and a freshman quarterback — Clemson toppled college football's greatest dynasty again to become the first perfect playoff champion.

Trevor Lawrence passed for 347 yards and three touchdowns and the second-ranked Tigers beat No. 1 Alabama 44-16 on Monday night in the College Football Playoff national championship game.

In the fourth consecutive playoff meeting between the Tigers and Tide, Clemson evened the series and beat 'Bama for the national championship for the second time in three seasons. Clemson is the first team in the AP poll era, dating back to 1936, to finish 15-0.

Coach Nick Saban and the Tide (14-1) were looking for a sixth national championship in 10 years, trying to add to an

already unprecedented run in the sport. Instead, Clemson crushed Alabama, becoming the first opponent to beat the Tide by more than 14 points since Saban became coach in 2007.

Coach Dabo Swinney's Tigers sealed their status as a superpower, no longer just 1A to Alabama's I.

Two seasons ago it was Deshaun Watson dethroning the Tide with a last-second touchdown pass. Clemson's new star quarterback didn't need the late-game heroics. The long-haired Lawrence cut through Alabama's defense with the help of another fabulous freshman. Justyn Ross made a juggling grab, a one-handed snare and broke off a 74-yard touchdown about midway through the third quarter that made it 37-16 and had Swinney high-stepping down the sidelines.

Ross, who scored two touchdowns in the semifinal rout of Notre Dame, had six catches for 153 yards against his home-state team.

Swinney takes a different approach than Saban, running a more fun-loving program

than Alabama's all-business organization. But the results have been every bit as good. And on Monday night at Levi's Stadium, in a championship game played more than 2,000 miles away from Clemson's South Carolina campus, the Tigers were way too much for an Alabama team that had spent the season mauling its opposition by an average of 31 points per game.

Alabama's Tua Tagovailoa threw two crucial interceptions in the first half, the first returned 44 yards for a touchdown by A.J. Terrell to put Clemson up 7-0. The Tide came in scoring 48 points per game, but was shut out over the final 44 minutes by an opportunistic Clemson defense that stiffened in key spots.

Tagovailoa, the sophomore who came off the bench to win the championship game last year for the Tide, went 22 for 34 for 295 yards and two touchdowns.

The Heisman runner-up was also the second-best quarterback on the field in the championship game. Lawrence finished 20 for 32, but went 18 for 25 for 277 yards over the final three quarters.

BIG TEN BASKETBALL POWER RANKINGS

Pure Michigan: Wolverines, Spartans 1-2

BY SHANNON RYAN | Chicago Tribune

Is it Michigan and Michigan State, then everyone else? The two teams have established themselves as kings of the Big Ten and potential Final Four contenders.

But who else has a chance? Ohio State and Indiana have shown they can make a push, and don't count out Minnesota. Will Nebraska and Iowa flourish or falter?

Here are this week's power rankings (previous ranking in parentheses):

1. Michigan 15-0, 4-0 (1): The Wolverines — one of three remaining undefeated teams with Virginia and Houston — can equal the best start in school history by beating Illinois on Thursday. Michigan showed its depth by holding off a talented Indiana squad thanks to freshman Brandon Johns. Isaiah Livers (back) missed his second straight game, and big men Jon Teske and Austin Davis got into foul trouble trying to guard Juwan Morgan. No matter: Johns had eight points and eight rebounds in 13 minutes. The Wolverines have so many options — and seem to be developing more.

2. Michigan State 13-2, 4-0 (2): The Spartans, who have the nation's No. 3 offense in KenPom's adjusted efficiency rating, were impressive in holding off a tough Ohio State team on the road. Nick Ward and Cassius Winston make a strong one-two punch. Ward scored 21 points, drawing 11 fouls and hitting 11 of 14 free throws, in a matchup against the Buckeyes' Kaleb Wesson.

3. Ohio State 12-2, 2-1 (3): In their first game against a ranked opponent, the Buckeyes couldn't deliver in an 86-77 home loss to Michigan State. And the schedule doesn't get easier: Ohio State has five road games against teams in KenPom's top 30. Big man Kaleb Wesson, who averages 17.1 points, scored 25 against the Spartans, but he could use more help from teammates.

4. Indiana 12-3, 3-1 (4): The Hoosiers had won seven straight, dating to a Nov. 27 loss at No. 1 Duke, before tumbling at No. 2 Michigan. Indiana has the potential to finish near the top of the Big Ten but has to avoid slow starts like the ones that cost the Hoosiers against Michigan and gave Illinois too wide of a window.

5. Minnesota 12-2, 2-1 (8): A 59-52 victory at Wisconsin on Thursday could be coach Richard Pitino's signature win. The Gophers were 2-11 in true road games spanning the last two seasons, including losses this season at Boston College and Ohio State. Behind Amir Coffey, the Big Ten's leading scorer in conference play with 24 points per game, Minnesota appears to be developing into a surprise contender.

6. Purdue 9-5, 2-1 (11): After a 2-5 stretch, the Boilermakers might be starting to figure things out. They've won three in a row with back-to-back road games looming at Michigan State and Wisconsin. They're still looking for their first road victory of the season.

7. Wisconsin 11-4, 3-1 (5): What better way to get back on your feet than to take it out on one of the Big Ten's punching bags? The Badgers lost two straight to Western Kentucky and Minnesota before stifling Penn State 71-52. Wisconsin's defense, allowing 62.2 points per game, third in the Big Ten, could make a difference in conference play.

8. Maryland 12-3, 3-1 (9): After losing seven of their nine conference road games last season, the Terrapins lost their Big Ten road opener at Purdue this season. Maryland looked strong in Saturday's 77-63 road win against Rutgers. Much more will be learned Tuesday at Minnesota.

9. Iowa 12-3, 1-3 (7): Point guard Jordan Bohannon scored 22 of his season-high 25 points in the second half against Nebraska as the Hawkeyes snapped a three-game Big Ten losing streak. Tyler Cook has scored at least 15 points in nine straight games. Now the Hawkeyes need to keep it rolling.

10. Nebraska 11-4, 1-3 (10): Note to Big Ten teams: Contain Nebraska on the perimeter and you'll have a good chance of winning. Iowa held the Cornhuskers to 4-for-23 shooting (17.4 percent) from 3-point range. Nebraska has made at least five 3-pointers in all but two games.

11. Northwestern 10-5, 1-3 (10): Coach Chris Collins called Sunday's victory over Illinois a "must-win" pregame. A two-point victory against a four-win opponent might not inspire much confidence, but it kept the Wildcats from falling to a 0-4 Big Ten start. They get another crack at Michigan on Sunday after falling 62-60 on Dec. 4.

12. Penn State 7-8, 0-4 (12): Points are not easy to come by for the Nittany Lions. They are last in the Big Ten in scoring in conference play, averaging 57 points, and have made only 19.7 percent of their 3-pointers.

13. Rutgers 7-6, 0-3 (13): The Scarlet Knights also lost their first three Big Ten games last season before shocking Wisconsin and finished 3-15 in the conference. It might take longer to get their first win this season in a stacked conference and with a young roster that ranks 307th in the country in average age.

14. Illinois 4-11, 0-4 (14): KenPom projects the Illini to win only one Big Ten game (Feb. 9 against Rutgers). The schedule hasn't done them many favors: They've played only five home games, with the first four Big Ten games played away from the State Farm Center, and the seventh-hardest schedule in the nation.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL NOTES

Expansion won't happen anytime soon

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN | Chicago Tribune

Hungering for an expansion of the four-team College Football Playoff?

As Lee Corso would put it: "Not so fast, my friend."

After a meeting of conference commissioners Monday before the Alabama-Clemson national title game, CFP board member Mark Keenum shot down the possibility in a statement.

"It's way too soon — much too soon — to know if (expansion) is even a possibility," said Keenum, also Mississippi State's president. "It's fair to say speculation about expansion has outdistanced the reality of what the commissioners and the presidents have discussed. If a decision were to be made down the road, the presidents would be the ones to make it and we are not there. ... We have a 12-year contract we are very happy with."

That 12-year deal commenced with the 2014 season and Ohio State's surge into the playoff, which the Buckeyes won with victories over Alabama and Oregon.

The Big Ten, though, has been shut out of the last two playoffs, and its champion has been bypassed three straight years. Commissioner Jim Delany's frustration with that — and his view that the selection

committee should give more weight to conference champions — seemed to fuel his desire for discussion about expansion.

Advocates of the current system argue that expanding to six or eight teams would water down the regular season, be unfair to the non-salaried players who already log up to 15 games and harm the non-playoff bowls. Plus in a season like this, any expansion likely still would have resulted in an Alabama-Clemson final.

"Academics, student-athlete well-being, existing contractual agreements and the overall good of the game are just a few of the issues we are considering," Keenum said in the statement.

SEC Commissioner Greg Sankey said he believes "four is the right number" and his conference will not give up its lucrative title game to keep the total number of potential games at 15.

Illini add another transfer: Illinois continued to reshape its receiving corps via the transfer market, announcing that wide receiver A.D. Miller is transferring from Oklahoma.

The 6-foot-3, 193-pound Miller — who originally committed to former Illinois coach Tim Beckman before signing with Oklahoma — totaled 21 catches for 236

yards and four touchdowns in three seasons for the Sooners. He redshirted during the 2017 season and will arrive in Champaign this spring as a graduate transfer eligible to play next season.

He joins wide receiver Jeff Thomas, who transferred from Miami last month, and tight end Luke Ford, who transferred from Georgia last week. Unlike Miller, Thomas and Ford are not graduates and would have to sit out next fall unless the NCAA grants them waivers of the mandatory year in residence for undergraduate transfers. Both are Illinois natives.

Miller was a three-star Class of 2015 recruit out of Dallas' Bishop Dunne High School, also the alma mater of two of Illinois' 2018 signees, defensive tackle Calvin Avery and offensive lineman Kievan Myers. Miller decommitted from Illinois less than three weeks before national signing day.

"A.D. Miller is a player who had committed to Illinois at one point in time before eventually signing elsewhere," Illinois coach Lovie Smith said in a statement. "As his situation changed, A.D. saw an opportunity that was better for him."

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

'19 can't arrive too soon



TEDDY GREENSTEIN
On the Big Ten

Urban Meyer out. Ryan Day in. You probably already knew that 2019 Big Ten storyline. But there are many more. Read on:

1. For Jim Harbaugh, it's now or never.

Michigan entered the 'Shoe in November on a 10-game winning streak with the nation's top-rated defense. Ohio State had just given up 51 points and 535 yards to Maryland. The narrative: If Harbaugh can't win this time, he never will.

Well, he didn't. Final score: 62-39. The storyline gets ramped up even more next season. Michigan will have a senior quarterback in Shea Patterson. The Game is in Ann Arbor. The opposing coach is Day, a rookie. And Dwayne Haskins is taking his talents to the NFL. If Harbaugh can't win this time, he ... never will?

Harbaugh's record against rivals Ohio State, Michigan State and Notre Dame is 2-7, and his Michigan teams are 1-3 in bowls. He never has been more popular in Columbus, but is Harbaugh losing the Wolverines fan base?

2. A Fields general.

Justin Fields, the No. 1 dual-threat quarterback and No. 2 overall recruit from the 2018 class, couldn't beat out Jake Fromm at Georgia, and last week he announced he is transferring to Ohio State. His family reportedly has retained the same lawyer who helped Patterson attain immediate eligibility at Michigan after transferring from Ole Miss, and there has been speculation that Fields' appeal to the NCAA will center on a racist comment made about him in the stands by a Georgia baseball player, who was dismissed from the team three days later.

Will Fields gain that eligibility, as basketball player Mark Smith did after leaving Illinois for Missouri? If so, would Fields win the starting job at Ohio State? With Haskins departing, the remaining quarterbacks are Tate Martell and rising redshirt freshman Matthew Baldwin.

Martell is respected for his work ethic — and feistiness. He stiff-armed questions about whether he would transfer by saying during Rose Bowl preparations: "Why would I leave for someone who hasn't put a single second into this program? I have put two years of literally working my ass off into something that I've been waiting for and a dream I've had my whole life."

Fields has advantages in arm talent and size (6-foot-3, 225 pounds to Martell's 5-11, 210). Martell knows the system and might have the backing of current players. But how about the new head coach?

3. It's a new Day.

After Ohio State suspended Meyer for three games, The Athletic reported that Day would be designated the "coach-in-waiting." Buckeyes honchos did not want to lose the quarterback whisperer to another program. Meyer placed his whistle around Day's neck after the Buckeyes beat Washington in the Rose Bowl.

All Meyer did in seven seasons at Ohio State was go 83-9 with a national title, post an unblemished record against "our rival" (aka Michigan) and finish 1st, 1st, 1st, T-1st, T-1st, 1st and T-1st in the Big Ten standings.

Day shuffled his defensive staff Monday, naming Greg Mattison and Jeff Hafley as co-coordinators. Mattison is leaving Michigan, where he had assisted under Brady Hoke and Harbaugh since 2011. Hafley had been the 49ers defensive backs coach.

4. More than four?

In the span of a week, Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany went from saying the College Football Playoff "doesn't define" the conference to indicating a desire for frank discussion about an eight-team playoff. Big Ten power brokers hate the fact SEC teams play eight conference games and schedule the likes of Liberty and The Citadel. It also steams them that the selection committee passed over three straight Big Ten champions.

So will they actually push for playoff expansion? Or is this merely a public plea



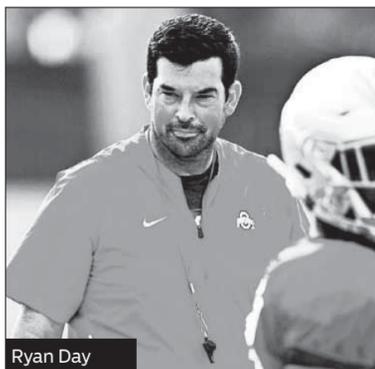
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to get the SEC (and ACC) to conform?

5. Split decision?

Days after Ohio State beat Northwestern in Indianapolis, Delany said eliminating divisions "is an item that has been discussed before ... there is more discussion now than there was four years ago."

What's that all about? Do the Big Ten's television partners want the potential for two Ohio State-Michigan games a season? Is Delany tired of seeing the East win the title game? Wisconsin won the first two, but that was during Legends and Leaders.

Since the divisional split, the East is 5-0 in Indy with one blowout (Ohio State 59-0 over Wisconsin), one reasonably close game (Ohio State 45, Northwestern 24) and three thrillers.

While the conference compass traditionally points east (Ohio State, Michigan, Penn State), the East barely had the regular-season edge over the West in 2018, going 11-10. For what it's worth, the West went 4-1 in bowl games while the East was 1-3.

West folks rankle at the insinuation their side is weak.

"There has been nothing wrong with East and West," Northwestern coach Pat Fitzgerald told the Tribune. "Is it a difference in about five games over the last five

years? It's not very many. If we want to have those discussions, my first question would be: Why? What is the empirical data?"

"I like where we are right now. A lot of our fans can drive to the West games. The crossovers are great; they're put together in ways that make it very competitive. Unless someone will produce some empirical data I'm not aware of, I don't see what's wrong with East and West."

6. On the prowl.

Clayton Thorson, Northwestern's winningest quarterback (36-17) and leader in passing yards (10,731), will try to follow Trevor Siemian into the pros. The remaining NU quarterbacks are TJ Green, Andrew Marty, Aidan Smith, Jason Whittaker and ... oh, yeah, Hunter Johnson. He left Clemson after Trevor Lawrence passed him last spring.

Johnson was the No. 2 pro-style quarterback and No. 30 overall prospect in the Class of 2017 in 247Sports.com's composite rankings. The five-star recruit was rated higher than Fromm coming out of Brownsburg, Ind., and joins receiver Kyle Prater as the glossiest players to suit up for Fitzgerald.

The 6-2, 208-pound Johnson spent the 2018 season on NU's scout team, impress-

ing Thorson, who told the Tribune: "He is always in the quarterbacks (meeting) room. It's cool to see someone working hard for it. ... He is a really nice guy. He's not going to be the loudest guy in the room. He's a Christian guy, so we're a lot alike in a lot of senses. He's really humble but confident in his abilities. He spins it really well, can throw on the run well, is really athletic and can run around. I think the offense will be wide open."

7. Hot seats.

Chris Ash must be hanging by a fingernail after Rutgers lost its final 11 games. Illinois' Lovie Smith is 9-27 with defenses that have gotten leakier (61st nationally to 86th to 128th) and crowds tinier during his time in Champaign. Would he survive a fourth losing season? Athletic director Josh Whitman extended his contract by two years, though the buyout figure is the thing. And it did not change — \$4 million if Illinois launches him after next season.

What about Mark Dantonio? His last three seasons have featured a disaster, a rebirth and a dud. Has he accomplished enough at Michigan State to hatch his own exit strategy?

8. Homecoming.

Illinois will welcome two intriguing prospects: receiver Jeff Thomas of East St. Louis and tight end Luke Ford of downstate Carterville. Ford was the nation's No. 51 prospect last year and chose Georgia, where he appeared in nine games, making a four-yard catch. He hopes to gain immediate eligibility, citing the deteriorating health of his grandparents.

The talented Thomas got booted from Miami's program, with then-coach Mark Richt saying: "We have high standards for excellence ... conduct and commitment."

Thomas, who scored five touchdowns over two seasons at the U, said in a since-deleted tweet he did not get kicked out, saying he came to an "agreement" with Richt.

Thomas was benched during stretches of games last season. A 2017 documentary on his East St. Louis team called "89 Blocks" documented his uneven behavior and a string of missed practices.

Now Thomas is Illinois' gift — or problem.

9. New man at Maryland.

Your thoughts on Mike Locksley? If you're like many, you think of his disastrous stint at New Mexico (2-26 with off-the-field issues). If you're an Illini fan, you thank him for delivering D.C.-area studs such as Arrelious Benn and Vontae Davis in the mid-2000s.

And if you live in crab cake country, you're thrilled the former Alabama offensive coordinator is Maryland's new coach. As alumnus Scott Van Pelt put it on ESPN: "People outside the DMV won't get this ... but what the critics don't get is that nobody in that area has more local respect from high school coaches and within that community than 'Locks'."

10. Final questions.

Was Wisconsin's five-loss season an aberration? Was Minnesota's outstanding finish (dominant victories over Purdue, Wisconsin and Georgia Tech) a sign that the Gophers will contend for the Big Ten West? What to make of Purdue, which beat Ohio State 49-20 but gave up 56 first-half points to Auburn in the Music City Bowl? Can Rondale Moore make a Heisman Trophy run?

Who replaces Trace McSorley at Penn State? Will Scott Frost be proven right when he warned Big Ten foes before the 2018 season that they "better get us now"? And will Ryan Field, which was logistical hell for many of those arriving within 90 minutes of the Notre Dame game, be a disaster for the "Friday Night Lights" game against Ohio State?

And if so, will plans accelerate to renovate Ryan Field?

So many questions. The 2019 season cannot get here soon enough.

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WHITE SOX

Closing time? Herrera joins bullpen crew

BY PAUL SULLIVAN | Chicago Tribune

The White Sox added another potential closer to their bullpen by agreeing to terms with former Royals reliever Kelvin Herrera on a two-year, \$18 million deal.

Herrera has a 2.82 career ERA, including a 2.75 ERA with the Royals from 2011 to '18. He posted a 1.05 ERA in 27 outings in 2018 before being dealt to the Nationals in June. He struggled in 21 outings for the Nats and was lost for the final month after suffering a torn Lisfranc ligament in his left foot while fielding a grounder.

Before the foot injury Herrera was disabled by a shoulder injury, but the Sox consider the right-hander a low-risk signing.

Despite a difficult end to 2018, Herrera, 29, is a power pitcher with a long history of effectiveness and joins Alex Colome in solidifying the back end of the Sox's young bullpen. He was a premier setup man



CAROLYN KASTER/AP

Right-hander Kelvin Herrera struggled with the Nationals last season after coming from the Royals in a trade in June.

during the Royals' back-to-back World Series appearances in 2014-15 and eventually became their closer.

Monday night the Sox and free-agent outfielder Jon Jay agreed to terms on a one-year, \$4 million contract, according to USA Today. Jay, 33, hit a combined .268 with the Royals and Diamondbacks in 2018, but his friendship with free-agent target Manny Machado adds intrigue to the transaction.

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PACKERS

AP source: Titans' LaFleur to become Packers coach

BY TERESA M. WALKER | Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Packers are turning to fast-rising offensive whiz Matt LaFleur to aid Aaron Rodgers and end a two-year absence from the postseason.

LaFleur accepted the Packers' offer Monday to become their next head coach, according to a person familiar with the decision.

The person spoke to the Associated Press on condition of anonymity because neither the Packers nor the Titans had announced the decision.

LaFleur takes over after Mike McCarthy was fired during the season following a stunning home loss to the Cardinals. Offensive coordinator Joe Philbin went 2-2 to close out the season as the Packers failed to reach the playoffs for the second straight year. The 6-9-1 record was the second straight under .500 for the storied franchise.

LaFleur, 39, spent this season as offensive coordinator for the Titans, his first season calling plays in the NFL. He was offensive coordinator with the Rams in

2017, leading a group that paced the NFL in scoring and was 10th in total offense.

LaFleur was the quarterbacks coach in Atlanta for two seasons, including when Falcons quarterback Matt Ryan was the NFL MVP in 2016. LaFleur also was the quarterbacks coach for Notre Dame in 2014.

He will be charged with returning the Packers to the playoffs. McCarthy's tenure of 12-plus seasons was by and large successful, highlighted by the 2010 Super Bowl season and nine playoff appearances.

Rodgers' 62.3 percent completion rate was his lowest since 2015 (60.7) and his 25 touchdown passes were a low for a season in which he played at least 15 games, though so were his two interceptions.

The relationship between LaFleur and Rodgers will be important and closely watched after the sometimes tenuous moments between the star QB and McCarthy. They characterized their relationship as close, but with ups and downs that come with two headstrong competitors who had worked together for more than a dozen years.

BEARS



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Trey Burton, running after a catch against the 49ers, missed Sunday's playoff game with a mysterious groin injury that popped up last weekend.

'I let my team down'

Burton upset that groin injury kept him out vs. Eagles

BY DAN WIEDERER
Chicago Tribune

On the day after the Bears' season ended with a crushing 16-15 playoff loss to the Eagles, tight end Trey Burton was left to explain why he wasn't available to play in the franchise's first playoff game in eight seasons. Burton, one of the team's biggest free-agent acquisitions last spring, stood in front of his locker at Halas Hall on Monday afternoon and explained the groin injury that popped up over the weekend.

It started as stiffness, Burton said. He first felt it Friday morning, then, after a full practice, it worsened that night.

Still, Burton didn't think it was much to worry about. At least not until Saturday morning when his groin "was completely locked up."

"I had a tough time walking," he added.

And that's when the alarms bells began. Officially, the Bears added Burton to their injury report late Saturday, the announcement made public in a 9:47 p.m. email.

"Bears TE Trey Burton (groin) has been added to the team's injury report and is questionable for Sunday's game vs. the Eagles," the message read.

Ninety minutes before kickoff,

however, Burton went from questionable to out, left as a spectator for a playoff game against his former team. On Monday, he was left to deal with the disappointment of all that, of the Bears' brutal one-point loss and the curiosity over how much he could have helped change the result.

"I let my team down. I hate it," Burton said. "Especially going against one of my former teams. Playoff game. All the implications. It was tough."

Burton said he never imagined such a spiral when he first felt the groin stiffness Friday.

"I thought I was fine," he said. "I thought I'd be able to push through it. Didn't get any treatment. I thought I was good. And then I went to sleep Friday night, woke up and it was completely locked."

Nothing Burton tried Saturday or Sunday was enough to unlock his groin.

"With the history of my body, that's what it does. It locks up when it feels any threat," Burton said. "That's kind of what happened to me. ... I think it's just my body trying to protect itself."

Burton has gone public in recent years acknowledging his recurrent battles with anxiety. Earlier this season, he admitted that he asked out of being a part of "Oompa Loompa" one of the Bears' gadget plays in which he would have been asked to throw a pass similar to the "Philly Special" touchdown toss he made in last year's Super Bowl. Burton was too

uneasy with the connections to what was arguably the greatest moment of his career. So ultimately, when the Bears called "Oompa Loompa" on the final play of regulation against the Giants in December, running back Tarik Cohen threw the TD pass that tied the game.

With such issues as part of Burton's personal history, it was fair to wonder whether anxiety played any role in his weekend setback.

"I don't think so," he said. "I was in a really good spot mentally going into this game. I was extremely excited to play my former team. And obviously (it was) a playoff game as well. I was really looking forward to competing with those guys that I played with for four years."

"I thought about it. I just don't think it had anything mentally to do with it. But it's over now."

After Sunday's loss, Bears coach Matt Nagy seemed perplexed by Burton's sudden health downturn, a development that sent the team into scramble mode. The Bears coach couldn't trace the issue to anything that happened Friday.

"It's strange," Nagy said. "I'm not a doctor. But I don't really have an answer for you on that."

Burton said he had great difficulty telling Nagy he wasn't physically able to play in the biggest game of the season.

"I mean it's tough, dude," he said. "Like I have to look him in his eye and tell him I can't go. That's the last thing you want to do."

Added Nagy: "It crushed him."

For the Bears, it also brings a complicated twist to the start of their offseason. Burton was a big part of the offense all season long, recording 54 catches for 569 yards and six touchdowns. That was a solid return on investment for the four-year, \$32 million deal Burton signed last March with \$18 million guaranteed. Now, though, there will be natural worries over whether the tight end can be counted on in the biggest moments.

Burton insisted Monday he did everything possible to get his groin right Saturday and Sunday. Pressed for specifics on what that entailed, he declined to elaborate.

"I mean, a lot of stuff," he said. "I don't really want to get into it. But everything possible."

In the end, the tight end wasn't able to play in a one-point playoff loss, just another painful wrinkle in the Bears' abrupt end to a terrific season. Ultimately, Burton's groin locked up at an inopportune time.

"My body does that to me," he said. "Over time, if you look at the history of my injuries, whenever it feels like it's threatened or something could possibly happen that's serious, my body locks up. That's what's happened to me my whole career."

For the Bears, that's a worrisome issue that cost them on Sunday.

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Fangio could be lost to Broncos

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this positively — he's not getting younger," cornerback Prince Amukamara said. "So if he aspires to be a head coach, I would say that his time is now and he's worked hard to put himself in a position to be sought after."

"Of course, as a defensive group, I'm sure everyone in this organization would love for him to stay ... but we do understand that this could be a goal that he's aspired to achieve. I support him, but also selfishly I would love for him to stay."

One question is whom Fangio might hire to run his offense. That could be answered, at least in part, if former Broncos coach Gary Kubiak returns to the sideline from a stint in the club's front office.

The Broncos' timetable to name a replacement for Vance Joseph is unknown, but Fangio is the last of five candidates to interview after former Colts coach Chuck Pagano, Steelers offensive line coach Mike Munchak, Rams quarterbacks coach Zac Taylor and Patriots defensive coordinator Brian Flores. Moving fast is preferred as it gives a new coach a jump on assembling a staff of assistants.

If Fangio goes to Denver, the Bears could consider Donatell for a promotion. He was defensive coordinator for the Packers from 2000 to '03 and the Falcons from 2004 to '06. Of course, Fangio could look to bring Donatell with him to Denver. They worked together previously in San Francisco.

Donatell is highly valued, and the work he has done with the Bears has not gone unnoticed. He oversaw half of the team's All-Pro players in cornerback Kyle Fuller and free safety Eddie Jackson. Fuller rebounded from obscurity to emerge as one of the best at his position, and Jackson quickly transitioned from fourth-round pick in 2017 to star. Nickel cornerback Bryce Callahan and strong safety Adrian Amos also developed under Donatell, and a case could be made that Amukamara is coming off his finest season.

Former Jets coach Todd Bowles would be another candidate for the Bears. Pace interviewed Bowles for the head-coaching job that went to John Fox on Pace's first day on the job with the Bears in 2015 and was impressed. Nagy's father coached Bowles in high school, so he has known Bowles forever.

But with Bruce Arians reported to be a leading candidate for the Buccaneers head-coaching job, he could look to reunite with Bowles in Tampa. Bowles was Arians' defensive coordinator with the Cardinals, and their relationship goes back to Arians coaching Bowles at Temple.

Coaching dominoes fall quickly, and the Bears are no doubt working on contingency plans. They're entering an offseason that doesn't have nearly the uncertainty of the last couple of years but could have one major question: Who will run the defense in 2019?

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Deflection doesn't end the blame game

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has a voice. I have a lot of confidence in Parkey. I think he'll be fine. It's not his last game. He's going to have a lot of different opportunities to be able to make up for whatever he feels like he has to."

Parkey, who hit an upright an outrageous six times out of 11 total missed kicks this season, honorably was waiting for the media at his locker after the loss Sunday. But the Bears didn't subject him to answering no questions Monday. He was not one of seven players made available during media access, so he couldn't lend his thoughts on the most significant postgame development surrounding the kick.

The NFL officially changed

Parkey's missed field goal to a blocked kick by Eagles defensive lineman Treyvon Hester, who said Sunday night that he tipped the football on the kick. Video footage appears to back up that claim, though it's unknown how much of an effect his hand made.

Many of Parkey's teammates accepted blame Monday for not doing more to keep him out of such a situation.

Cornerback Prince Amukamara lamented defensive mistakes on both Eagles touchdown drives. Right guard Kyle Long noted Parkey's three made field goals made up more than half of the Bears' points Sunday.

"We treat everybody in this locker room like they're brothers, and we're there for them when they're up and when they're

down," outside linebacker Leonard Floyd said. "Words can't really make him feel better, so I just gave him a little pat on the back."

The stats change also wasn't likely to change much about how Parkey, his teammates and Bears fans felt about being eliminated from the playoffs in their first game after harboring Super Bowl dreams.

"I hate it for him," tight end Trey Burton said. "He's one of my really good friends, one of the best guys in this locker room. It's a tough deal. But he's in good spirits. Obviously I wish him nothing but the best."

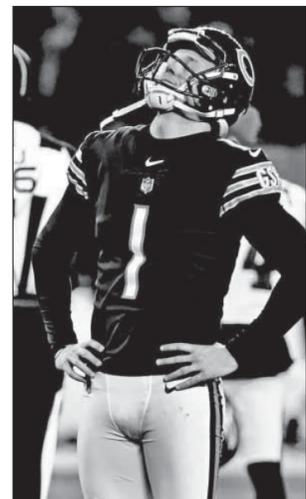
Parkey's future with the Bears remains a major question after he finished the season 26-for-34 on field-goal attempts and 42-for-45 on extra-point attempts.

He signed a four-year, \$15 million contract in the offseason with \$9 million guaranteed. He has \$3.5 million guaranteed remaining on his contract. General manager Ryan Pace didn't speak Monday but is expected to meet with the media later in the week, and Parkey's status will be one of the hottest topics of that session.

Amukamara was asked if he thought Parkey could return as Bears kicker, given some of the fan animosity.

"I'm definitely glad I'm not the one making that decision," Amukamara said. "But I do believe Cody will come back from this. We've seen him make a lot of great kicks, and we have full faith in him."

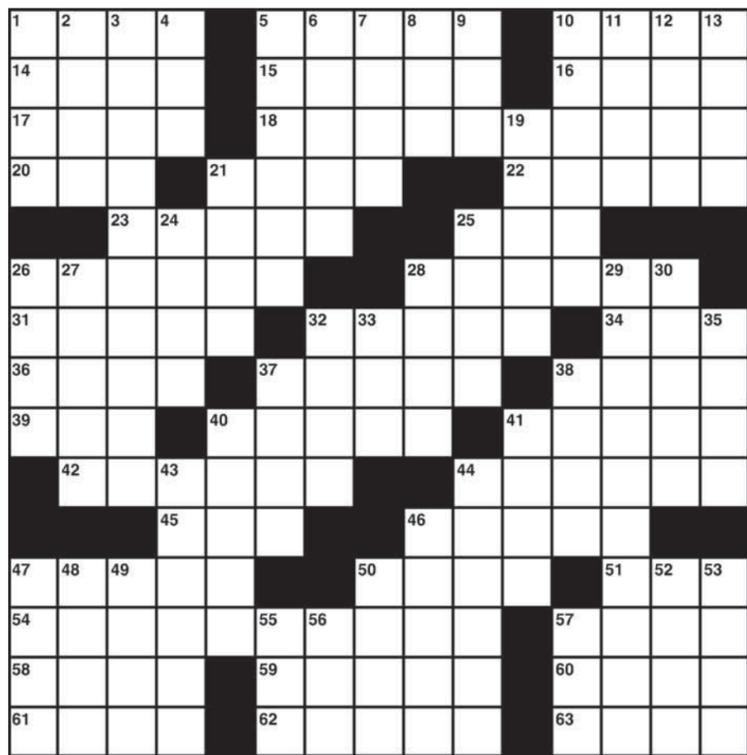
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Bears kicker Cody Parkey reacts after his missed field goal in the final seconds Sunday night.

Crossword



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ACROSS

- 1 Noisy bird
- 5 Wander off course
- 10 Experts
- 14 Actress Lange
- 15 Once and again
- 16 Suggestion
- 17 Imitated
- 18 Contrition
- 20 Cub Scout group
- 21 Marvin and Meriwether
- 22 Off-center
- 23 Armed robbery
- 25 Hurry
- 26 Window coverings
- 28 Outspoken
- 31 ___ of conscience; guilty feelings
- 32 Tactless
- 34 Apple computer
- 36 Singer ___ Williams
- 37 Plank
- 38 Agile
- 39 ___ the line; obey
- 40 Brag
- 41 Taxi charges
- 42 Couch potatoes
- 44 Truthful
- 45 Grow older
- 46 Crates

DOWN

- 47 Greek letter
- 50 Imitation
- 51 Drink slowly
- 54 Very determined
- 57 Costa ___
- 58 Upper limbs
- 59 TV's Couric
- 60 Kitchen appliance
- 61 Pain in the neck
- 62 Removes the lid from
- 63 Cruz & Danson
- 1 African nation
- 2 Lasso
- 3 Generous
- 4 Marry
- 5 Emphasize
- 6 Nest noise
- 7 Tears
- 8 Biggest club
- 9 Japan's dollar
- 10 ___ out; got rid of gradually
- 11 Ice-covered oval
- 12 "___ upon a time..."
- 13 Worry; fret
- 19 Contaminate
- 21 Fibs
- 24 Not relaxed
- 25 By ___; manually

Solutions



- 26 Argument
- 27 Asian capital city
- 28 Terse
- 29 Remarkable
- 30 Challenges
- 32 Feathery scarves
- 33 ___ Cruces, NM
- 35 Fluid-filled sac
- 37 Monotonous speaker
- 38 Not nuts
- 40 Started
- 41 Redd or Jamie
- 43 Most recent
- 44 Monopoly player's purchases
- 46 Sink
- 47 Pitfall
- 48 In this place
- 49 Lawn trees
- 50 Celebration
- 52 ___ tea
- 53 Cookware items
- 55 Fight result, for short
- 56 Drink like Fido
- 57 Decay

BEARS

Loss could inspire run

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of Chicago's classic sporting moments nobody in town ever will forget, hard as they may try. It was mesmerizing to watch and challenging to describe how Parkey hit an upright for the sixth time this season with so much at stake. Imagine how it felt to experience it.

That feeling figures to haunt the Bears every day of the offseason, agony that often precedes ecstasy in sports. The Bears have been to the Super Bowl twice — after the 1985 and 2006 seasons. Both NFC champions were fueled by painful playoff exits the previous year.

On Jan. 6, 1985, the 49ers shut out the Bears 23-0 in the NFC championship game in San Francisco, a lopsided embarrassment that served as motivation for one of the all-time great Super Bowl runs. On Jan. 15, 2006, a Panthers team coached by John Fox eliminated the Bears 29-21 at Soldier Field in a divisional playoff game wide receiver Steve Smith dominated badly enough to frame the context for the following season. The deepest playoff scars never go away.

That came to mind Sunday night as coach Matt Nagy tried putting the Bears season into perspective within minutes of it ending abruptly, the emotion making his eyes moist and his voice strained. Nagy likened the long faces he saw while addressing players in the locker room to their dejection after the Week 1 loss to the Packers that preceded a special season almost nobody outside of Halas Hall saw coming.

"I'm going to hurt right now for a little bit," Nagy said. "I'm going to feel it, as everybody should, but it's going to make me better."

The same goes for every member of the organization, from the front office to Nagy and his coaching staff to the 53rd man on the roster. Sunday's setback eventually will make everyone better. The Bears just scratched complacency from their 2019 schedule. One of the surest ways to sustain success is to deal with failure, and the anguish all over the faces of Bears players after Parkey's miss steeled a team that will report to Bourbonnais in July with high expectations.

For the good of everybody, the Bears should make sure Parkey isn't among those reporting. Players publicly supported Parkey, and Nagy vowed to "do everything I can to take a part of the human side," but honestly, both sides might benefit from a change of scenery. To fans with long memories, Parkey always will represent a symbol of disappointment. To 52 teammates, he is the guy who missed 11 kicks and forced them to answer countless

questions. To Nagy, he is a liability the coach no longer can trust.

In a bottom-line, results-oriented business like the NFL, the solution seems simple: Release Parkey once the dust settles next month.

Focusing on the fact Eagles defensive tackle Treyvon Hester tipped Parkey's kick and the NFL officially recognized it as a blocked field goal ignores its low trajectory.

Worrying whether the salary-cap-strapped Bears can afford to cut a kicker guaranteed \$3.5 million next year overlooks the bigger question of whether they can afford not to. The Bears likely will address roster concerns at right tackle, running back and the secondary, but none looms as large as kicker, the team's most glaring weakness exploited in the season's biggest game.

Beyond their Parkey problem, the Bears can find comfort in continuity. The core of the NFL's stingiest defense returns under contract. Even if defensive coordinator Vic Fangio leaves for a head-coaching job, enough talent exists to ease the transition for any successor.

The offense will benefit from players immersing themselves into Nagy's scheme for an entire offseason.

The way the season ended was disappointing, but that doesn't make the season a disappointment. It's a subtle but significant distinction that must be made as a city revitalized by the Bears anticipates what's next.

Under a first-year coach with a 24-year-old quarterback starting his first full season, the Bears won 12 games. They suffered five losses — two by one point, two by a field goal and one by a touchdown. They were competitive in every game. They were one of the most compelling teams in the league. They were relevant again, and as difficult as Sunday's ending was for everyone to process, it confirmed a new beginning too.

That kind of hurt doesn't exist without hope, which Chicago has rediscovered when it comes to the Bears.

"We let everybody know who we are now," Nagy said, relating what he told his players. "I said, 'Hey, teams are going to know, and they're going to feel it when they walk into Soldier Field, to Chicago, and they can check that off because now they're going to next year.'"

Next year can't get here soon enough for the Bears, who lost a game Sunday but perhaps found a purpose.

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CALENDAR

TEAM	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
		@POR WGN-9, AM-670		@GS 9:30 NBCSCH, AM-670	@UTAH 9 NBCSCH, AM-670		
		NSH 7 NBCSN, AM-720			VKG 7:30 WGN-9, AM-720		@NJ 6 NBCSCH, AM-720

TUESDAY ON TV/RADIO

NBA	NBA TV
7 p.m. Timberwolves at Thunder	NBA TV
9:30 p.m. Knicks at Warriors	NBA TV
Men's College Basketball	ESPN
6 p.m. Maryland at Minnesota	BTN
6 p.m. Duke at Wake Forest	ESPN
6 p.m. Tennessee at Missouri	ESPN2
6 p.m. Texas at Oklahoma State	ESPNU
6 p.m. St. John's at Villanova	FS1
6 p.m. Iowa State at Baylor	ESPNNews
7 p.m. Loyola at Evansville	CBSSN
7 p.m. Northern Iowa at Illinois State	NBCSCH
8 p.m. North Carolina at North Carolina State	ESPN
8 p.m. Purdue at Michigan State	ESPN2
8 p.m. Mississippi State at South Carolina	ESPNU
8 p.m. Oklahoma at Texas Tech	ESPNNews
9 p.m. Wyoming at San Diego State	CBSSN
10 p.m. UNLV at New Mexico	ESPN2
NHL	NBCSN
6:30 p.m. Flyers at Capitals	NBCSN
Tennis	Tennis Channel
2 a.m. Auckland, Sydney, Hobart early round (Wed.)	Tennis Channel
5 a.m. Auckland, Sydney, Hobart early round (Wed.)	Tennis Channel

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MEN'S AP TOP 25 SCHEDULE

- Duke (12-1) at Wake Forest, Tuesday; at No. 13 Florida State, Saturday
- Michigan (15-0) at Illinois, Thursday; vs. Northwestern, Sunday
- Tennessee (12-1) at Missouri, Tuesday; at Florida, Saturday
- Virginia (13-0) at Boston College, Wednesday; at Clemson, Saturday
- Gonzaga (14-2) vs. Pacific, Tuesday; at San Francisco, Saturday
- Michigan State (13-2) vs. Purdue, Tuesday; at Penn State, Sunday
- Kansas (12-2) vs. No. 25 TCU, Wednesday; at Baylor, Saturday
- Texas Tech (13-1) No. 23 Oklahoma, Tuesday; at Texas, Saturday
- Virginia Tech (13-1) at Georgia Tech, Wednesday; at No. 4 Virginia, Jan. 15
- Nevada (14-1) vs. San Jose State, Wednesday; at Fresno St., Saturday
- Auburn (11-2) at Mississippi, Wednesday; vs. Georgia, Saturday
- North Carolina (11-3) did not play. Next: at No. 18 N.C. State, Tuesday
- Florida State (12-2) vs. Miami, Wednesday; vs. No. 1 Duke, Saturday
- Mississippi State (12-1) at South Carolina, Tuesday; vs. Mississippi, Saturday
- N.C. State (13-1) vs. No. 12 N.C. Carolina, Tuesday; vs. Pittsburgh, Saturday
- Ohio State (12-2) at Rutgers, Wednesday; at Iowa, Saturday
- Houston (15-0) at Temple, Wednesday; vs. Wichita State, Saturday
- Kentucky (10-3) vs. Texas A&M, Tuesday; vs. Vanderbilt, Saturday
- Buffalo (13-1) vs. Toledo, Tuesday; vs. Miami, Ohio, Saturday
- Marquette (12-2) at Baylor, Tuesday; vs. Kansas State, Saturday
- Indiana (12-3) at Creighton, Wednesday; vs. Seton Hall, Saturday
- Indiana (12-3) at Miami, Friday; vs. North Carolina, Sunday
- Oklahoma (12-2) at No. 8 Texas Tech, Tuesday; vs. #25 TCU, Saturday
- St. John's (14) at Vanderbilt, Tuesday; vs. DePaul, Saturday
- TCU (12-1) at #7 Kansas, Wednesday; at #23 Oklahoma, Saturday

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED MONDAY

- Notre Dame (14-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Louisville, Thursday
- Louisville (14-0) did not play. Next: at No. 1 Notre Dame, Saturday
- UConn (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina, Saturday
- Baylor (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas State, Wednesday
- Oregon (13-1) beat Washington State 98-58. Next: at Southern Cal, Friday
- Stanford (12-1) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Arizona State, Friday
- Mississippi State (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Saturday
- N.C. State (15-0) did not play. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Thursday
- Oregon State (12-1) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Tuesday
- Marquette (12-3) did not play. Next: at UCLA, Friday
- Texas (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa, Wednesday
- Syracuse (12-1) did not play. OT. Next: vs. North Carolina, Sunday
- Tennessee (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Kentucky, Thursday
- Gonzaga (15-1) did not play. Next: vs. Portland, Saturday
- Kentucky (14-2) did not play. Next: at No. 10 Tennessee, Thursday
- Iowa (11-3) beat Wisconsin 71-53. Next: vs. Michigan, Thursday
- Minnesota (12-2) did not play. Next: at No. 23 Michigan State, Wednesday
- Arizona State (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Stanford, Friday
- Ohio State (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. TCU, Saturday
- South Carolina (10-4) did not play. Next: vs. Florida, Thursday
- Florida State (14-1) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Sunday
- Michigan State (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 18 Minnesota, Wednesday
- California (11-0) did not play. Next: at No. 10 Tennessee, Saturday
- Indiana (11-4) did not play. Next: at Ohio State, Thursday

MEN'S AP TOP 25

RK.	TEAM	W-L	PTS	LW
1.	Duke (37)	12-1	1535	1
2.	Michigan (9)	15-0	1499	2
3.	Tennessee (13)	12-1	1481	3
4.	Michigan (5)	13-0	1471	4
5.	Gonzaga (4)	14-2	1319	7
6.	Virginia State	12-2	1291	8
7.	Kansas (12)	11-2	1159	5
8.	Texas Tech (13)	11-1	1109	11
9.	Virginia Tech (13)	10-1	1093	10
10.	Nevada (14)	1-1	920	6
11.	Auburn (11)	2-1	829	12
12.	North Carolina (11)	11-3	889	15
13.	Florida State (12)	2-2	879	9
14.	Mississippi State (12)	1-1	683	17
15.	N.C. State (13)	1-1	674	18
16.	Ohio State (12)	1-2	621	20
17.	Houston (15)	5-0	565	19
18.	Kentucky (10)	3-0	520	13
19.	Buffalo (11)	3-1	434	20
20.	Marquette (12)	1-2	344	21
21.	Marquette (12)	1-3	340	16
22.	Indiana (12)	2-3	245	21
23.	Oklahoma (12)	2-2	243	23
24.	St. John's (14)	1-1	221	—
25.	TCU (12)	1-1	221	—

WOMEN'S AP TOP 25

RK.	TEAM	W-L	PTS	LW
1.	Notre Dame (12)	14-1	715	2
2.	Louisville (10)	14-0	708	3
3.	UConn (3)	12-1	701	1
4.	Baylor (5)	11-1	687	8
5.	Oregon (3)	13-1	616	9
6.	Stanford (8)	12-1	609	6
7.	Mississippi State (7)	14-1	575	7
8.	N.C. State (8)	15-0	536	9
9.	Maryland (13)	13-1	500	4
10.	Oregon State (12)	12-2	487	11
11.	Arizona (12)	11-2	443	12
12.	Syracuse (13)	11-2	443	14
13.	Tennessee (12)	2-2	394	10
14.	Gonzaga (15)	15-1	318	17
15.	Marquette (12-3)	12-3	282	20
16.	Kentucky (14-2)	14-2	268	16
17.	Iowa (11-3)	10-3	253	19
18.	Minnesota (12)	10-2	186	12
19.	Arizona State (11-3)	11-3	167	22
20.	Wisconsin (12)	12-2	163	25
21.	South Carolina (10)	14-2	162	23
22.	Florida State (14)	11-1	118	—
23.	Michigan State (11-3)	11-3	103	15
24.	California (10)	10-3	101	18
25.	TCU (12)	1-1	99	—

Others: Villanova 56, Wisconsin 45, Iowa 40, Minnesota 23, Purdue 20, Nebraska 15, Maryland 14, Seton Hall 14, Alabama 7, UCF 6, Louisville 3, Texas 2, Arizona 2, Florida 1, North Texas 5.

NBA

CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC				
Fort Wayne	12	11	.522	—
WINDY CITY	13	12	.520	—
Grand Rapids	9	13	.409	2½
Canton	8	13	.381	3
Wisconsin	3	19	.136	8½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
CENTRAL				
Iowa	20	9	.4	37
WOLVES	12	3	.413	109
G. Rapids	19	12	.3	44
Milwaukee	19	12	.5	44
Texas	18	11	.3	41
Rockford	16	15	.3	49
San Antonio	17	18	.1	35
Manitoba	14	18	.2	30

CONFERE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday, Jan. 20
NFC: TBD, 2:05 (FOX-32)
AFC: TBD, 5:40 (CBS-2)

PRO BOWL

Sunday, Jan. 27
AFC vs. NFC, 2 (ABC-7/ESPN)

SUPER BOWL LIII

Sunday, Feb. 3 in Atlanta
AFC champ vs. NFC champ, 5:30 (CBS-2)

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Cleveland: Signed OD David Bright and DB Ashton Johnson to reserve/future contracts.

Houston: Signed TE Jerrell Adams, RB Jyree Ferguson, G Maurice Metzger, LB David Steinmetz, LB Davin Berry and WR Chris Landrum and WRs Jester Heath and Isaac Whitney to reserve/future contracts.

Miami: Signed LB Sam Eguavoen to a reserve/future contract.

Pittsburgh: Announced the contract of running backs coach James Saxon will not be renewed.

Washington: Waived WR Carlos Henderson and Ardiarius Stewart.

San Francisco: Signed QB Matt Ryan to a one-year contract.

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BLACKHAWKS



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Brendan Perlini looks to pass the puck in the first period of the Blackhawks' loss to the Flames on Monday.

FLAMES 4, BLACKHAWKS 3

Flaming out

Deadlocked after 2, Hawks lose edge in final period

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

The growing pains of November and December are likely going to be impossible for the Blackhawks to truly put behind them this season.

At least not until they really are out of the playoff picture.

It's easy to dismiss them when a bunch of teams still hover above and the Hawks have played the most games of any wild card contender, but the fact is a win against the Flames on Monday at the United Center would have put them within four points of a playoff spot.

That's what makes their 4-3 loss even more frustrating. They weren't just facing an opponent, they were facing their earlier failures.

"We need points and we need to get them every night and that's what we're battling for," Alex DeBrincat said. "Overall, I thought we played all right but didn't get any points so it doesn't really help us."

The Hawks have been finding ways to win but couldn't get it done this time. The Flames'



UP NEXT
Predators at
Blackhawks

7 p.m. Wednesday, NBCSCH

Johnny Gaudreau scored twice, including the winning goal on a breakaway 54 seconds into the third period that just slipped through goalie Collin Delia's pads that made it 3-2. After they added an empty-netter, Brandon Saad scored a power-play goal with 29 seconds left for the final margin.

Delia was fantastic again, stopping 39 of 42 shots and keeping the Hawks in the game when the Flames turned on the jets in the third period.

"I feel pretty good about him," Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton said. "He's been everything we've asked with the opportunities he's received. We still don't want to overplay him. We want to allow him to keep his level."

The Flames took a 1-0 lead when a rebound off Delia's left pad went right to Gaudreau, who deposited it into a wide open net for his 25th goal of the season.

Patrick Kane is frequently called a magician on the ice, and he appeared to have pulled off some kind of magic trick while scoring his 24th goal of the season to tie it at 1-1.

Skating down the right boards,

Kane took a pass from Artem Anisimov then passed it to himself through his legs. Just as he was about to move beyond the goal line, he lifted a soft backhand that was somehow able to bank off Rittich's shoulder and into the top of the net.

While 21,036 fans celebrated, Kane focused on one of them. His dad just happened to be sitting behind the Flames' net and Kane was able to skate past and see him cheering just before his teammates arrived in celebration.

"He comes to every game, he has so far this year anyways, so it's fun to see him get excited," Kane said. "And that was kind of a moment where it was cool to celebrate with him there."

DeBrincat's one-timer from Kane gave him his 20th goal of the season and the Hawks a 2-1 lead that lasted much of the second period. But the Flames' Sean Monahan scored a power-play goal with 1 minute, 18 seconds remaining.

The Hawks took four straight penalties in the second and third periods, stunting any momentum they had from a strong start.

"That's a 2-2 game after two," Kane said. "We got to find a way to get something out of that game, so it's unfortunate."

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BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Jokiharju learns to lead at juniors

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

Henri Jokiharju left the Blackhawks for the World Junior Championships as a rookie, and he came back as, well, still a rookie.

But when the 19-year-old defenseman was helping Finland to a gold medal he was very much a veteran presence and team leader.

"I've never been that veteran role on the team ever," Jokiharju said. "So it was big for me, and I think I took leadership steps as well in that tournament. So I'm happy for that, too."

Jokiharju, who assisted on the winning goal in Finland's 3-2 victory over the U.S. in the gold-medal game, admitted some hesitation in leaving the Hawks. That didn't last long.

"It's the NHL over here, you want to play in the NHL," he said. "But when I headed on the plane over there I was getting more excited and it was fun and memories for a lifetime."

Jokiharju skated in Chicago on Monday morning but wasn't in the lineup against the Flames. The Hawks are carrying eight defensemen now but are likely to send either Gustav Forsling or Brandon Davidson to Rockford and add a 14th forward.

Special teams turnaround: The Hawks were 6-2-1 in their last nine games before Monday's game against the Flames and much of that success can be connected to a reversal in special teams. They are 9-for-27 on the power play and have killed off 22-of-27 penalties in this stretch. The power play has been on

fire after starting the season 12-for-105. They had one power-play goal in Sunday's 5-3 win over the Penguins, and twice scored seconds after a Penguins' penalty expired.

"We've got good players, and they're moving the puck clean and flat," Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton said. "I feel like when they go over the boards they feel like they can make a difference in the game. I think that's important to have some success now, and they feel they can win it for us when they go out there."

Playoff watch: The Hawks entered Monday's games just six points out of a wild-card spot, but Colliton is only keeping an eye on the standings part of the time.

"I look after we win," Colliton said. "And I don't look after we lose. And then I just move on."

BULLS

Bulls, Timberwolves remain intertwined

Hoiberg could end up with job in Minnesota where he played



UP NEXT
Bulls at Blazers
9 p.m. Wednesday,
WGN-9

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Zach LaVine played for Tom Thibodeau and Fred Hoiberg, worked out with Ryan Saunders and has the utmost respect for the late Flip Saunders, who drafted LaVine and, in LaVine's estimation, "might be a Hall of Fame coach one day."

So, yes, the Bulls and Timberwolves franchises continue to be intertwined, even after Monday quieted, at least for now, the Hoiberg-to-Minnesota rumors.

Timberwolves owner Glen Taylor told the Minneapolis Star-Tribune on Sunday that his "hope" is that Ryan Saunders, son of Flip and promoted to interim head coach after Thibodeau's firing, performs well enough over the franchise's final 42 games to earn the job permanently.

LaVine spoke highly of the league's youngest head coach, who turns 33 years old in April.

"He started off as skill and development (coach) and worked his way up. Hard worker. Knows what he's talking about," LaVine said. "Obviously, coaching is in his bloodline. So obviously, there's gonna be first-night jitters. But I think he's very prepared for this opportunity."

"With that Saunders name, it's going to be big for him and his family. I'm happy for him."

Hoiberg is well-respected and well-liked by Taylor after playing for the Timberwolves and later serving as assistant general manager before taking the Iowa State coaching job. Multiple outlets, including the Tribune, reported on Sunday that Hoiberg will be under consideration for one of the Timberwolves' coaching or executive positions should Saunders and general manager Scott Layden not be retained past this season.

Hoiberg broke his public silence on Monday, telling ESPN.com's Zach Lowe that his

"passion is in coaching" as opposed to a front-office return and that he's "not prioritizing one over the other in respect to the NBA and college." Hoiberg declined to elaborate when contacted by the Tribune.

However, the Tribune reported previously that Hoiberg, who since has been linked to the UCLA job, would prefer to remain in the NBA.

"Absolutely he does," Jim Boylen, Hoiberg's replacement, said when asked if Hoiberg deserves another NBA shot. "The best coaches at every level have been let go. I mean, you could list them. I learned a ton when I was let go at (University of) Utah. I grew a bunch and that's what it's about."

Boylen, who served as Hoiberg's associate head coach, received a text of support from his former boss before his first game as Bulls coach on Dec. 4. Since then, the two haven't spoken much.

"You take your moments at this level and you learn and you grow and if it doesn't work out where you're at, you move to the next one," Boylen said. "It's a tough thing about Thibodeau. I feel bad for him. It's hard to be let go and if you've been let go, you really understand it. But you're also excited for a guy to get his opportunity. So it's a difficult thing on everybody."

LaVine remains close with some of his former Timberwolves teammates, most notably Tyus Jones. LaVine talked to Jones after Thibodeau's firing.

"That was unexpected. I think they just started playing pretty good, beat some teams by 20. So there was a lot of things going on over there but it's the NBA, man," LaVine said. "Tyus just told me they were all a little surprised because they just started to play well but, NBA man. We just had the same thing happen."



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Zach LaVine was shocked about the Timberwolves firing Tom Thibodeau.

BULLS NOTES

2 moves cut roster to 14, provide trade flexibility

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

The Bulls engaged in a busy Monday of bookkeeping, briefly acquiring Michael Carter-Williams from the Rockets to ease their luxury tax bill.

The Bulls sent a heavily protected 2020 second-round pick that's unlikely to convey to the Rockets for Carter-Williams and cash.

The Bulls then waived Carter-Williams before the 4 p.m. deadline for non-guaranteed deals to become fully guaranteed.

In order for the trade to be finalized, MarShon Brooks was waived because the Bulls had 15 players. After the two transactions, the Bulls now have 14 players, which allows them to take back more players than they send out in an uneven trade or take a look at players on 10-day contracts.

The Rockets initiated the talks to save roughly \$2.5 million in luxury tax payments by unloading Carter-Williams' contract. The cash sent to the Bulls in the deal is expected to cover the remaining balance owed on Carter-Williams' and Brooks' deals.

Also, the \$1.3 million contracts of Ryan Arcidiacono and Shaquille Harrison became fully guaranteed. Arcidiacono, who played on a two-way contract for the Bulls last season, wasn't even a lock to make the roster out of training camp. But the gritty guard ranks third in the NBA in assist-to-turnover ratio and has become a dependable rotation player. The Bulls value Harrison's defensive prowess.

Tough talk: Zach LaVine doubled down on his claim Sunday that the Bulls need to be "tougher," a theme following Monday's lively practice in which coach Jim Boylen could be heard yelling throughout.

"I just think we need to be more physical," LaVine said. "I feel like when teams see us they can take advantage of us at times in the game. And I don't think that's a good trait to have as a team. I think overall we need to be tougher. If that's sending a message by committing a foul early on in the game or setting the tone by not just playing your way into the game, I think I gotta do a better job with that."

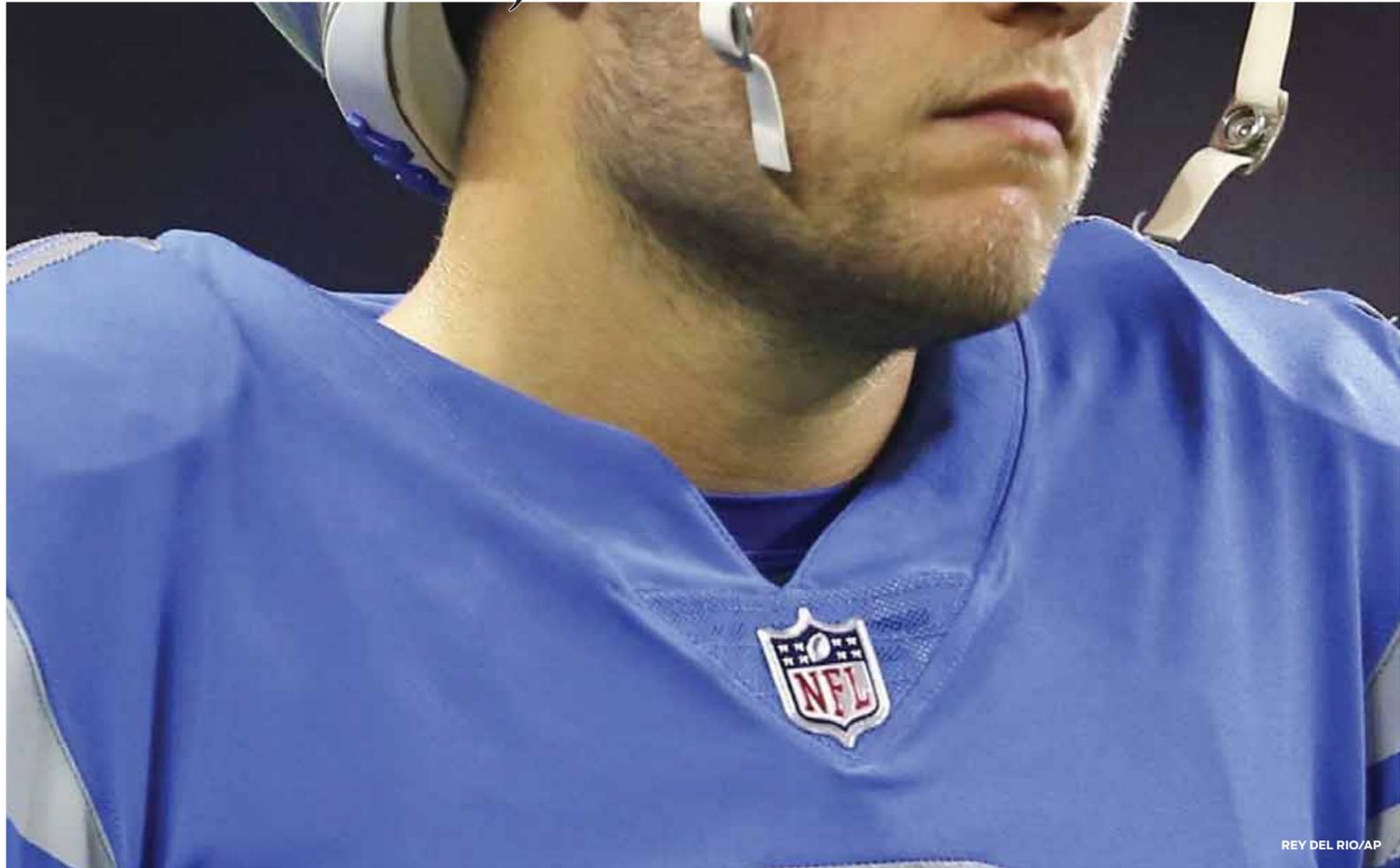
Layups: Both Bobby Portis and LaVine practiced fully on Monday. Boylen said he doesn't yet know if Portis will be on the same 20-minute limit he played on Sunday when the Bulls travel to Portland, Ore., for Wednesday's game. LaVine took a shot to the groin on Sunday but finished the game. ... With Portis back, Jabari Parker returned to not playing by coach's decision after a one-game rotational reprieve on Friday. Boylen said Parker "practiced hard" on Monday. ... Portis, an Arkansas native, on his NFL fandom: "I want the Cowboys to win the Super Bowl, even though everybody is going to bash me because we're in Chicago and they want me to root for the Bears. I've been a Cowboys fan since I've been a little kid. That's never going to change."

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BY SHAWN WINDSOR | Detroit Free Press

Matthew Stafford is coming off his worst season in years. He struggled in the Lions' opener against the Jets. Things didn't get much better from there.

It's tempting to look at his performance this fall and say this is who Stafford is. But then he has shown in plenty of other seasons that this is who he isn't.

He tantalizes. He disappoints. He throws an impossible parabola down the sideline off his back foot.

What he doesn't do is win. At least not consistently enough. The question is: How much of this is his fault?

Answering that is complicated. Not to mention frustrating. Because there isn't an easy answer. Ten years into the Stafford era and we still aren't sure what to say.

It's frustrating, certainly. He's paid like a franchise quarterback — five years, \$135 million — but he doesn't always perform like one.

Though when he does, well, that is why offensive coordinator Jim Bob Cooter recently got the boot. And why Lions' general manager Bob Quinn told reporters Friday that the franchise must do a better job of mining Stafford's talent.

Ah, talent. A messy word, loaded with expectation but also uncertainty. A word that leads to statements like this, from Quinn:

"Myself, the coaches need to put him in better situations to allow him to use his skillset."

This sounds reasonable enough. The problem is it also sounds familiar — achingly familiar.

In a way, Quinn has no choice but to say this. Stafford has four years left on his contract. He wouldn't be easy to trade even if Quinn wanted to.

So, of course, Quinn is going to protect his franchise quarterback. Say that Stafford is good enough to build a Super Bowl team around. Remind everyone how tough he is, smart he is, engaged he is, etc.

"He's extremely diligent in his work ethic," Quinn said. "He sets a great

"That's one thing I'll never, ever question. This guy loves football, he's competitive, he's talented."

— Bob Quinn, Lions' general manager

example for all of our players, and really all of our staff, of how to go about his job. And the injury situation, he had the back thing, and he went through numerous things where he wanted to play through it and our doctors said he could play through it, and he showed a lot of toughness. That's a credit to him. That's one thing I'll never, ever question. This guy loves football, he's competitive, he's talented."

Again, how does Quinn help him thrive?

"We need to do a better job of putting better players around him and scheming up things better to use his talent," he said.

But isn't that what Quinn did this last offseason? By drafting a promising running back and center in Kerryon Johnson and Frank Ragnow? And by bringing in a new head coach and keeping Stafford's trusted offensive coordinator in Cooter?

And isn't that what Quinn did when he drafted Kenny Golladay the year before? And signed offensive lineman T.J. Lang and Rick Wagner?

Stafford had all of these pieces — along with receivers Golden Tate and Marvin Jones — when he threw four interceptions in that 45-17 loss to the Jets. He didn't play well.

But? There is always a "But?" with Stafford. Tate dropped a critical third-down catch. Jones might have come up with two touchdown catches — and didn't. Johnson barely touched the ball. Lang got injured in the fourth quarter.

It goes on and on. Because it's never just the quarterback.

Or is it?

The great quarterbacks in the league consistently get their teams to the playoffs. Receivers and linemen and running backs may change, but a quarterback who wins doesn't.

That's the narrative, anyway, mostly because of Tom Brady and Aaron Rodgers. They lift their franchises, right? Why can't Stafford?

Fine. Those are two of the NFL's best ever. You know who else is? Drew Brees. You know what his Saints did in the three seasons before last year's playoff loss to the Vikings in the divisional game?

Missed the playoffs. Lost nine games each year.

Why? It's complicated. The defense wasn't good enough, for one. Also, the Saints went through a myriad receivers and running backs surrounding Brees after his Super Bowl run.

This isn't to suggest Stafford is Brees. He is not. Not as accurate. Not as calm in the pocket. Not as keen at reading defenses.

Still, the other positions matter, even for future Hall of Famers. The coaching — and scheme — matter, too; Quinn is right about that.

What makes it hard to figure out is that Stafford entered 2017 with as balanced an offense as he has had in a half decade. He played relatively well

in 2016, and even better in 2015, at least before he hurt his hand late in the season.

He had an offensive coordinator who had helped settle him in the pocket and, frankly, with the help of Jim Caldwell, had coaxed the most efficient football of Stafford's career.

Stafford's evolution is partly why Quinn signed him to that five-year extension. He seemed to be getting better. Besides, he'd had some poor injury luck.

And then, 2017 happened. Stafford couldn't engineer winning drives at the end of a handful of close games. Panthers? Falcons? The loss to the Steelers was especially brutal.

They were so close. Tantalizingly close. It was the story of Stafford's career.

2018, though, is harder to explain. Stafford may be uneven at times, but he's better than what he showed this season.

Maybe the back injury slowed him more than he wanted to admit publicly. Or maybe Matt Patricia directed Cooter to change the offense in ways that unsettled Stafford. Obviously, losing Tate to a trade and Jones and Johnson to injury hurt. Then again, the offense was stuck in mud before any of that happened.

"We have 53 players on the field on the team every week," said Quinn. "We have 46 that dress. So, just because he's the quarterback and he touches the ball every play on offense doesn't mean he gets all the blame. The blame can be passed around. It starts with me, it starts with the coaches, and it starts with everybody on the team. It's not his fault."

Which leaves Stafford and, by extension, you, back at the starting line — again. A new offensive coordinator is on the way. There are promising pieces on offense and Quinn promised to find more.

It's hopeful. It's familiar. It's confusing.

Who is Matthew Stafford?
A decade in and we still don't know.

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After lucrative CFP, NCAA awaits ruling on amateurism

BY WILL HOBSON
AND BEN STRAUSS
The Washington Post

While tens of millions of college sports fans watched the action between Alabama and Clemson unfold Monday night in Santa Clara, Calif., college sports power brokers, and their lawyers, will be monitoring developments about 40 miles away in Oakland where, any day over the next few weeks, a federal judge could issue a ruling upending the economy of major college sports, clearing the way for more money to make its way to athletes.

The class-action case, entitled “National Collegiate Athletic Association Grant-In-Aid Cap Antitrust Litigation,” went to trial late last year with little fanfare or media coverage, in part because of the likelihood the judge’s decision will go on hold pending an appeal.

But the awaited ruling could be as consequential as the landmark 2014 decision in Ed O’Bannon vs. NCAA — which also was tried in Oakland, California, before U.S. District Court Judge Claudia Wilken — that concluded with a ruling, later partially overturned, that the NCAA had violated antitrust law.

The O’Bannon case, brought by the former UCLA basketball star, was more narrowly focused on the use of the names and images of players on TV and in video games, but struck at the same core issue of this case: whether college athletes deserve a larger portion of the billions generated by their sports.

In this case, the plaintiffs — more than 40,000 current and former college athletes — seek a ruling that would abolish NCAA rules capping compensation for athletes at the value of a college education, clearing the way for conferences to set their own rules.

A victory for athletes could create a world in which, for example, Southeastern Conference schools could decide to offer top recruits signing bonuses of \$100,000 or more, and Pac-12 schools could decide to offer \$25,000 bonuses per year of school completed, incentivizing athletes staying in school longer. Conferences less interested in offering cash instead could create other recruiting perks, such as lifetime health insurance or free graduate education. Less wealthy conferences, outside the so-called “Power Five” that controls college football, could continue offering full scholarships and nothing more.

In a statement, Donald Remy, the NCAA’s chief legal officer, denounced the athletes’ demands, and asserted they would sap money from sports subsidized by football and basketball.

“All of the Clemson and Alabama student-athletes taking the field in the College Football Playoff championship game are just that: students. However, the plaintiffs would rather see a world in which paid professionals would instead take the field,” said Remy, who earned \$933,000 in 2017, the most recent year the NCAA’s nonprofit IRS filing is available.

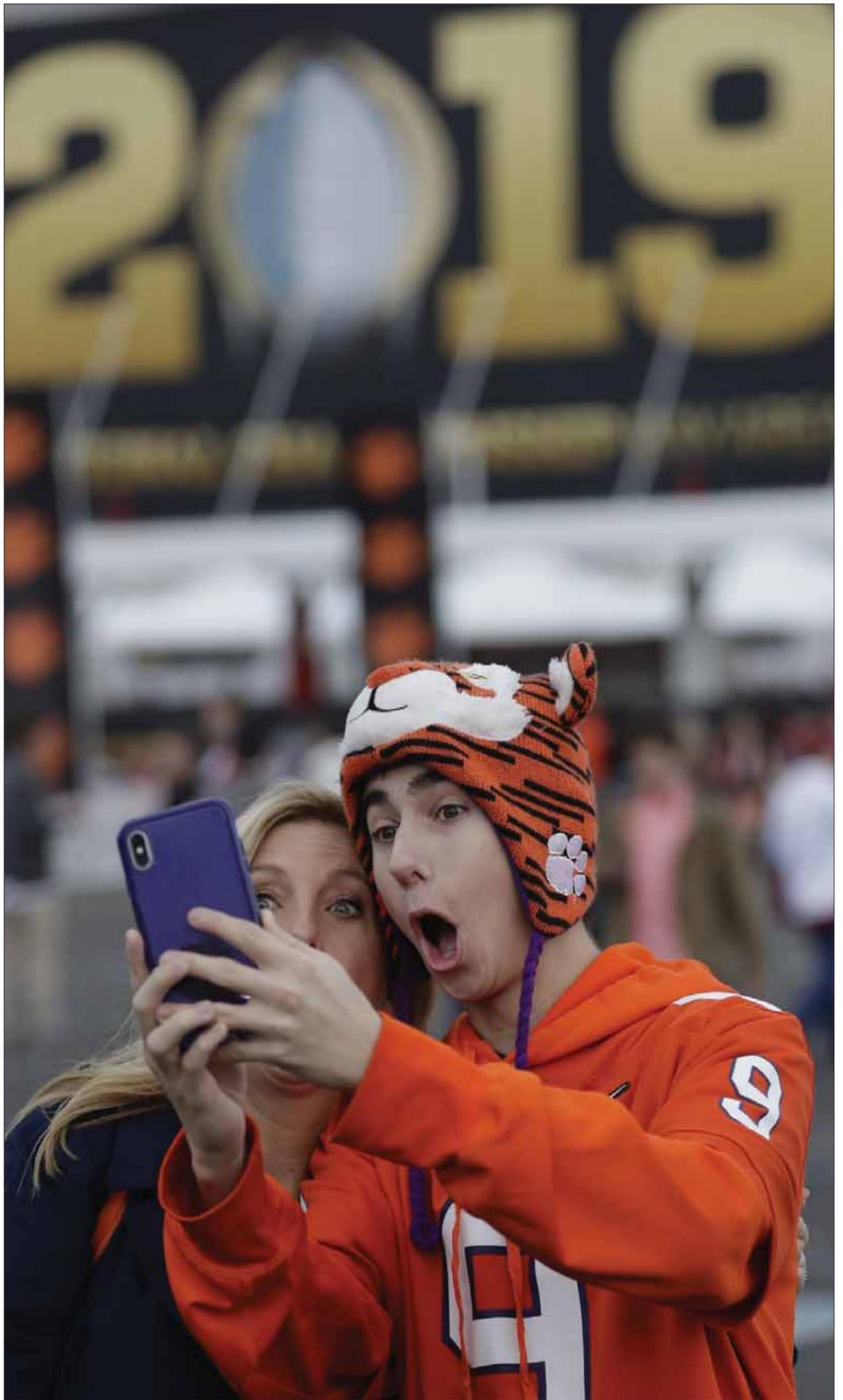
“Replacing scholarships with salaries would professionalize college sports, de-emphasize academics and reduce future opportunities for incoming student-athletes,” Remy said.

Steve Berman, lead attorney for the athletes, said in a phone interview he and his clients aren’t seeking to force schools to pay athletes if they don’t want to, but are confident that competition between conferences, absent NCAA amateurism rules, would create a more equitable distribution of the billions generated by major college sports.

“I can’t think of any other business where there’s such a transfer of wealth where there is in this case; where the student-athletes are basically powerless, and everyone else in the system is benefitting,” Berman said.

At the bench trial late last year, lawyers for the NCAA and the conferences essentially made two major arguments: (1) Doves of fans would stop watching college football and basketball if they knew the players were getting paid, and (2) Allowing pay would “drive a wedge” between college athletes and their classmates, hurting “integration,” an essential goal of college sports.

The NCAA presented survey results that showed majorities of college sports fans opposed more pay or perks for athletes, while



DAVID J. PHILLIP/AP

Grayson and Merrell Mann take a selfie outside Levi’s Stadium in Santa Clara, Calif., ahead of Monday’s football championship game.

more than 30 percent said amateurism was a significant reason they watched.

Lawyers for athletes, meantime, highlighted the fact the NCAA’s survey expert acknowledged his results didn’t necessarily mean those same fans would stop watching. Surveys also have found majorities of baseball fans opposed to the salaries for MLB players, an economist for the athletes noted, but there’s been no correlation between rising pay for MLB players and decreased ticket sales or television ratings.

To counter the integration argument, the lawyers for the athletes put their clients on the stand, where they testified they feared “wedge” between them and their classmates already exists, created by demanding practice schedules, frequent travel, and high-end workout facilities and dormitories built exclusively for athletes.

Former West Virginia running back Shawne Alston testified he was told by academic advisers to take only easy classes that met in

“Replacing scholarships with salaries would professionalize college sports, de-emphasize academics and reduce future opportunities for incoming student-athletes.” — Donald Remy, the NCAA’s chief legal officer

the mornings, so he’d maintain eligibility and not miss practice, and he spent his little down time with other athletes.

“We never built relationships with other people,” Alston testified.

Wilken’s ruling is expected in the next 60 days. She could side with the NCAA and uphold the status quo, create an open market between conferences, or opt for a middle ground alternative. An appeal would send the case to the U.S. Court of Appeal for the Ninth Circuit, where experts expect a year or two would pass before a final ruling, which then could be appealed to the Supreme Court.

In the summer of 2014, Wilken found in favor of O’Bannon, and ruled that colleges could offer

trust funds to athletes (they could be capped at \$5,000 per player per year) that could be tapped after they left school. That decision came amid a series of legal challenges and rulings that seemed to point toward growing momentum for professionalizing major college sports in America. A few months before Wilken’s ruling, a regional official with the National Labor Relations Board gave Northwestern football players permission to form a union.

The union effort was thwarted on appeal, while Wilken’s trust funds were thrown out by a panel of Ninth Circuit appeals judges. But the cases likely prompted pre-emptive moves by college sports powers to improve conditions for athletes. In rapid fashion,

the so-called “Power Five” conferences approved unlimited meals, “cost-of-attendance” stipends of several thousand dollars, guaranteed four-year scholarships, and expanded health insurance.

Last March, meanwhile, provided what could be considered a real-world experiment on how college sports fans’ behavior might change when they learn players are getting paid for their talents.

As an ongoing Justice Department investigation roiled college basketball with revelations that Adidas officials arranged bribes to players and families to get them to attend preferred schools, CBS reported ratings for the first full weekend of the men’s tournament: They were up by 11 percent.



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Conductor Carlos Kalmar presides over an expanded Grant Park Music Festival this summer as it marks his 20th year with the event.

GRANT PARK MUSIC FESTIVAL 2019

EXPANSIVE SUMMER SOUNDS

Events reach past Millennium Park into neighborhoods

BY HOWARD REICH | Chicago Tribune

The Grant Park Music Festival will stretch out this summer with a range of innovative offerings, including master classes and recitals, four commissioned world premieres and experimentation with the Pritzker Pavilion's LED screen.

This is in addition to a 10-week season of concerts featuring the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus, plus high-profile debuts and return appearances.

All this activity has been designed to celebrate three milestones: the festival's 85th season, artistic director and principal conductor Carlos Kalmar's 20th year with the festival and Millennium Park's 15th anniversary.

"When we looked at what we were doing, we actually thought about expanding our footprint," explains Kalmar.

"We thought that there are things that we can do that will touch more people."

Or, as festival president and CEO Paul Winberg puts it, "It's about deepening our engagement with our audiences, but also deepening our engagement with the city as a whole."

The new programs will come under the umbrella of the first Festival Next, fashioned to bring fresh dimensions to

the Grant Park Music Festival, which runs June 12 through Aug. 17 at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park and satellite locations in neighborhood parks.

Festival Next will feature several elements, most notably world premieres commissioned from stylistically far-flung figures:

Stacy Garrop, whom Kalmar calls "an accomplished Chicago composer," will pen an orchestral work (to be performed at the Pritzker Pavilion on June 21 and 22). Syrian-American composer Kareem Roustom will write an orchestral-choral piece (June 14 and 15). American composer Lori Laitman will create a cappella choral composition (July 18 and 22 at Columbus Park Refectory and South Shore Cultural Center, respectively). And African American composer Joel Thompson will create a chamber piece for the festival's Project Inclusion String Quartet (in 12 neighborhood parks

throughout the summer).

In all, an eclectic group of writers. "For me, as artistic director, I try to promote the music of everybody, as long as it has the standards that I apply to every piece of music," says Kalmar.

"I'm a very firm believer that American society is about mix. Everybody comes from somewhere, and people who have ancestors who have been in this country for 200 years are a rarity. So I didn't select Kareem, for example, because he's somewhat linked to the idea of immigration. But it's a nice little sidekick, because this is what we are. Plus, I just like his music."

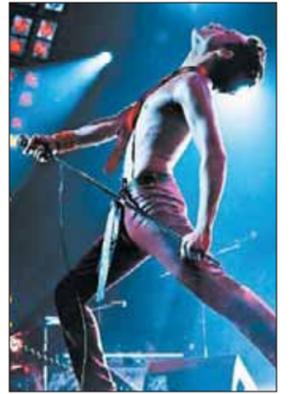
Festival CEO Winberg expands on the idea.

"I'm really excited about launching Festival Next — building programming for a diverse, 21st-century audience," says Winberg.

"And diversity is a really important topic right now, particularly for symphonic music. And we live in such a culturally vibrant city, it would be silly for us not to take advantage of that."

In addition to its world premieres, Festival Next will feature spring and

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TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

The Queen biopic "Bohemian Rhapsody" won best drama at the Golden Globes on Sunday.

Seriously? These films are the champions?



MICHAEL PHILLIPS
Tribune movie critic

With big wins for the toothless, well-acted Civil Rights-era heartwarmer "Green Book" and the sexless, well-acted Freddie Mercury Queen biopic "Bohemian Rhapsody," Sunday's Golden Globes stuck to the middle of the road like a motorist determined to drive 15 mph under the cultural speed limit.

Alongside that road, three billboards in steady rotation, like the old Burma Shave signs, sold audiences on notions of common ground, inclusion and equality.

Everything but quality.

Well, that's stretching it a little. The Globes did a few things right. "The Americans" won, proving that some Russian collusion investigations are more popular than others.

Also, the splendid Olivia Colman received an award for her memorably witty Queen Anne in "The Favourite."

In a genuine surprise, Glenn Close's canny portrayal of a dutiful, thwarted helpmate to a literary giant in "The Wife," an undervalued adaptation of the 15-year-old Meg Wolitzer novel, brought Close to the podium after besting, among others, Lady Gaga in the virtually sidelined "A Star is Born."

In her acceptance speech Close spoke of her mother's thwarted ambitions and unfulfilled potential, echoing the circumstances of her character in "The Wife."

"We have to find personal fulfillment!" Close said, rousing, championing decades-old, baseline notions of gender equality. Everyone in the Beverly Hilton ballroom nodded in passionate agreement, as if this were the first time they'd heard the idea. "We have to follow our dreams! We have to say: I can do that! And I should be

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Teacher and rock doctor make perfect harmony

Chicago band Young Man in a Hurry began with dermatology visit



RICK KOGAN
Sidewalks

The doctor-patient relationship is a special, intimate and complex one and though I do not know what you talk to your doctor about, I know that when schoolteacher Matt Baron first

visited dermatologist Dr. Meyer Horn, they talked about music.

"I hadn't been playing much," said Horn, who is also a drummer. "I was eager to find a local project that involved original, independent music. I wanted to be part of a creative process."

Said Baron, who is also a guitarist, singer and songwriter, "We found ourselves on the same musical page, knew a lot of the same people. We almost always talked music when I came in for an appointment. We hit it off musically and eventually decided to get together one weekend and play music for fun."

It was fun and so they met and played again and again and will be playing with cellist-social

worker Teddy Rankin-Parker and singer-bass player-delivery service manager Nick Harris in a new band called Young Man in a Hurry, Saturday night at Schubas.

The band's name was inspired by the title of a biography of William Rainey Harper, who was the first president of the University of Chicago. It is a book that Baron found when he moved into a new apartment three years ago. "Those words" just hit me between the eyes," he said. He thought it might make a good name for a band and so will that band be making its third public performance, having debuted at the Hideout in September and

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SALLY BLOOD PHOTO

Teddy Rankin-Parker, Matt Baron, Nick Harris and Meyer Horn make up Young Man in a Hurry, named for a William Rainey Harper biography.

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Kevin Spacey sits in Massachusetts court on a charge of indecent assault and battery Monday.

Spacey's legal team enters not guilty plea in sexual assault case

Lawyers for Kevin Spacey entered a not guilty plea on his behalf in Massachusetts court Monday on charges he groped an 18-year-old busboy in 2016.

The disgraced actor was arraigned on a charge of felony indecent assault and battery during a hearing at Nantucket District Court. The judge set another hearing for March 4. Spacey must stay away from his accuser and his accuser's family, the judge also ordered.

The judge granted a request by Spacey's lawyers to preserve the victim's cellphone data from the six months following the alleged assault. Spacey's attorney Alan Jackson said there is data that is "likely exculpatory" for Spacey.

The hearing comes more than a year after a former Boston TV anchor accused the former "House of Cards" star of sexually assaulting her son, then 18, in the crowded bar at the Club Car, where the teen worked as a busboy.

If convicted, Spacey faces as long as five years in prison. Spacey had said he would plead not guilty.

It's the first criminal case brought against Spacey, 59, since other allegations of sexual misconduct surfaced against him in 2017.

After the charge was announced last month, Spacey released a video in the voice of Frank Underwood, his character on Netflix's "House of Cards," in which he said, "I'm certainly not going to pay the price for the thing I didn't do."

— Associated Press



CHRIS PIZELLO/INVISION

Malek confirms relationship with 'Rhapsody' co-star: "Bohemian Rhapsody" star and Golden Globe winner Rami Malek has somebody to love. The actor, who portrayed Freddie Mercury in the Queen biopic, made his first public comments about his reported relationship with co-star Lucy Boynton during an acceptance speech at the Palm Springs International Film Festival's Film Awards Gala. "Thank you, Lucy," Malek said. "You have been my ally, my confidant, my love."

Lil Wayne, Strokes to headline 2019 Governors Ball: Florence + The Machine, the Strokes, Lil Wayne and Kacey Musgraves are among the 70 artists slated to perform at the 2019 Governors Ball. The ninth annual edition of the festival will take place May 31 through June 2 at New York's Randall's Island Park. The 2018 festival was headlined by Eminem, Jack White, Travis Scott and the Yeah Yeah Yeahs.

Warren wants to write Gaga, Dion duet: Social media exploded last week when Celine Dion showed up at Lady Gaga's new Enigma show in Las Vegas, dancing like no one was watching. Later, Gaga posted a photo of her and Dion backstage on her Instagram. "I would love to write a song for them," Diane Warren told Variety at the BAFTA LA Tea Party. "I've already written for both of them."

Jan. 8 birthdays: Singer Shirley Bassey is 82. Singer R. Kelly is 52. Reggae singer Sean Paul is 46. Singer Jenny Lewis is 43. Actress Gaby Hoffman is 37.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Mom wrestles with kid in the store

Dear Amy: I have a 3-year-old and a 5-year-old. My son (age 3) really acts out when I take him shopping. I find it very stressful and hard to control him. He screams, kicks and bites me when I try to keep him in the cart. If I let him down, he runs and hides.

Do you recommend any tactics on how to handle this? My husband works a lot, so I don't have much choice but to bring my kids along.

— Frazzled Shopper

Dear Frazzled: I shared your question with Claire Zulkey — journalist, author of a parenting newsletter (zulkey.com) and, like you, mother of two young children. She responds: "Second-born 3-year-old boys are the number one cause of gray hair, at least in my home."

"The ideal solution is to get out of shopping with the kids, or at least the youngest. If you can, throw a bit of money at the problem — ordering groceries online, or hiring a baby sitter for an hour so you can shop solo. Unless cash flow is very tight, don't talk yourself out of this like it's a luxury. Your sanity is a worthy investment, and your child won't be like this forever."

"Also, talk to your husband. Can he do the shopping on the way home from work, or stay home with the kids while you shop? Or do you have a friend with kids your age who will trade sittings with you?"

"If those options are untenable, try to go to the store as early as humanly possible when the kids haven't started to melt down yet and, more impor-

tant, the store has fewer people in it to heighten the stress.

"Bring bribes/snacks/distractions that you only pull out once you're at the store, including a device if you have to. Mete the treats out over the visit if you can — one or two fruit snacks per aisle. Or if you're really hard up, go straight to the snack aisle. (Whatever you do, stay away from tiny child-sized shopping carts, because those just annoy everyone.) Hang in there, mom. You're not alone."

I'd also recommend some old-fashioned emotional manipulation. You should play hard to get, by "refusing" to take your younger child shopping. You get a sitter or a friend to watch him. Tell him, "Well, I'd like to bring you with us, but I guess you're not quite old enough. You don't know how to behave in the store."

You take the older child with you. You and the older sibling return, having had a couple of adventures (you discover artichokes, for instance). Younger child will beg to go with you. He will promise to be good. And you'll respond, "Well, I don't know if you're ready. I'll think about it."

Dear Amy: About two years ago, due to the stress of a move and taking a new job with much responsibility and little support, I had a nervous breakdown. I tried to go back to work in that same profession twice, but I had to quit due to mental health issues.

I am currently on disability. It is so hard to think about doing something else after 20 years in the

same profession. I feel that no other job will be as challenging or interesting.

My confidence is extremely low, and despite new medication and very little stress, I feel I am floundering. I take classes and volunteer, but it's not the same as a paid position. Please help!

— Paralyzed

Dear Paralyzed: It must be hard to concentrate on your mental health and healing when you are also (quite naturally) jumping at the bit to dive back into your profession. Your challenge now will be to manage your stress and paralysis, to put one foot in front of the other (no leaping!), and to see each day as a discrete unit. Looking too far ahead creates too much pressure and might make you relapse. Talk this through in therapy.

There is a job for you. It won't be the job you had. As you continue to recover, you will shift and open yourself to new possibilities.

Dear Amy: "Caring Husband" reported on his frustration with his wife, who continues to claim that he "never listens." Amy, you missed the most obvious solution! Dude needs to get his hearing checked.

— Been There

Dear Been There: Yes! Although this man's hearing issues seem to be selective, I agree that this is a possibility.

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RECORDINGS

Bad Bunny's debut album is bold lesson in genre erosion

By CHRIS RICHARDS
The Washington Post

As opposed to that well-liked boy band from Liverpool, Bad Bunny of San Juan is not bigger than Baby Jesus of Nazareth. Not yet, at least.

So when the 24-year-old Latin trap phenom finally dropped his interminably awaited debut album on Christmas Eve, the gesture itself felt like a mischievous flex. Here was an artist who made his name by taking unpredictable left turns with supreme confidence. Now he was trying to upstage the birth of Christ.

Out on the sales floor, this appears to have been a misstep. Lost in the holiday hurly-burly, the album, titled "X 100PRE," is currently drooping at No. 29 on the Billboard charts. But maybe Bad Bunny is playing the long game. The new year is a good time for gazing into the future, and if you squint hard enough at "X 100PRE," you'll hear an album that's going to change things. After issuing a few summers' worth of motley hits — including "I Like It," his massive neo-boogaloo brainchild with Cardi B — Bad Bunny is giving important new lessons in genre erosion.

He still sounds most comfortable coasting over trap beats, those languorous, flickering rhythms that most Atlanta rappers tend to chew like Juicy Fruit. But "X 100PRE" also features smoggy puffs of reggaeton ("Cuando Perriabas"), delectable pinpricks of bachata ("La Romana"), bully punches of dembow ("La Romana" again), even a surprise power-pop jag that could probably be traced back to Ric Ocasek's 23andMe kit ("Tenemos Que Hablar"). And through it all, Bad



ROBYN BECK/GETTY-AFP

Trap phenom Bad Bunny performs at the Latin Grammy Awards in Las Vegas in November.



'X 100PRE'

Bad Bunny
★★★ (out of four)

Bunny never sounds like some pseudo-syncretist showing off how many styles he can juggle. Everything here simply sounds like a Bad Bunny song.

At the bottom of it all is his voice, a blunted baritone that originates in the abyss of his diaphragm and rises up through his airways, smooth like an escalator ride, finally rolling out of his mouth like a yawned shout or a shouted yawn. It's a monolithic, strangely adaptable tone — one that allows him to deaden his punchlines, gird his brags and cast his most vulnerable pleas in bronze.

So let's presume that the ballast of his voice is what

gives Bad Bunny the psychic permission necessary to take such stylish risks, sonically and sartorially. (His manicurist paints his fingernails like so many Easter eggs while his barber is presumably a fan of the works of Ellsworth Kelly.)

It's those risky wild styles that set Bad Bunny apart from his closest cousin in pop, Drake. The two work in the same melodic neighborhood, but to hear how different they are, cue up "MIA," the album-closing duet where Drake lits along in Spanish while Bad Bunny enters his default state of effortless locomotion. The song doesn't come off like an airplay bid, or a synergy exercise, or any kind of torch-passing. Instead it feels like another mischief-flex — a contrast between one rapper who aspires to sound like everyone else and another who can only sound like himself.

Because unlike Drake, Bad Bunny isn't one of those careerist chameleons, changing his moods or his manicures to match the nearest accent wall. He's got a much cooler thing going. The world changes color around him.

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Festival

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summer residencies by the commissioned composers.

Festival Next also will launch:

■ **CenterStage**, a recital series in which performers and audience convene on the stage of the Pritzker Pavilion.

■ **Festival HD**, in which select concerts will incorporate the Pritzker Pavilion's LED screen, showing live shots of the performers and supplementary material (here's hoping the imagery doesn't diminish and darken the musicians on-stage, as has occurred during the Chicago Jazz Festival).

■ **Visiting Masters**, a line-up of public master classes — most at the nearby Chicago Cultural Center's Claudia Cassidy Theater — led by the festival's guest soloists, including violinist Augustin Hadelich, harpist Yolanda Kondonassis, clarinetist Anthony McGill, flutist Demarre McGill, pianist Conrad Tao and singers Susanna Phillips and Michael Sumuel.

As for the festival proper, the most tantalizing offerings will include Beethoven's "Missa Solemnis" (June 28 and 29); the Midwest premiere of Gabriel Kahane's "Emergency Shelter Intake Form" (July 5 and 6); Frederick Delius' "A Mass of Life" (Aug. 9 and 10); and Mahler's Symphony No. 2, "Resurrection" (closing the season Aug. 16 and 17).

The festival will feature the debuts of several instrumentalists: Grammy-winning violinist Hadelich playing the Brahms Violin



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2015

This summer's Grant Park Music Festival will offer master classes, four world premieres and experimentation with the Pritzker Pavilion's LED screen.

Concerto (June 21 and 22); clarinetist Anthony McGill and flutist Demarre McGill (brothers born in Chicago) in the festival premiere of Joel Puckett's Concerto Duo (July 26 and 27); Kondonassis playing Ginastera's Harp Concerto (July 17); Benjamin Beilman offering Prokofiev's Violin Concerto No. 1 (June 12, opening night); and Edgar Moreau performing the festival premiere of Friedrich Gulda's Cello Concerto (July 24).

Festival conducting debuts will include Cristian Macelaru (July 24), Martyn Brabbins (also an American debut, July 19 and 20), Norman Huynh (July 10) and Lawrence Loh (July 12

and 13).

Ten of the concerts will be broadcast on WFMT-FM 98.7.

Kalmar expresses particular enthusiasm about Kahane's "Emergency Shelter Intake Form," a commission from the Oregon Symphony, which Kalmar leads as music director.

"Our idea was to tackle social problems with classical music," explains Kalmar. "So Gabriel wrote us a piece tackling the theme of homelessness, but going broader, meaning, yes, the piece is very much about homelessness, and this is an increasing problem everywhere, but the piece is also mainly about poverty."

In a felicitous twist of

programming, the composer's father, pianist Jeffrey Kahane, will play Gershwin's Piano Concerto in F on the same program.

Kalmar also calls attention to Delius' "A Mass of Life," which the conductor terms "a large piece of music, what sometimes you jokingly call a piece of ham, but it's highly effectual."

And in Carl Vine's "Choral" Symphony No. 6 (June 14 and 15), Kalmar spotlights a work "written for chorus and orchestra that doesn't use soloists, which is difficult to find."

How is Kalmar feeling about his upcoming 20th anniversary with the Grant Park Music Festival?

"If I looked at what did

happen — Petrillo was a nice place," he says, referring graciously to the long-outdated Petrillo Music Shell, where the festival unfolded before the emergence of Millennium Park and its state-of-the-art Pritzker Pavilion.

"We had maybe 2,000, 2,500 people there on the better nights. Unless we had a superstar (soloist), then it was more.

"We nowadays have 2,000 people in a concert when it's raining cats and dogs. Essentially, we are between 6,000 and 12,000 people" at most concerts, he adds.

"One of my favorite things to do is, after the concert is over, go walking

and looking at the grass (lawn), because it's full of people. This is not a concert hall where when the concert is over, people clap and cheer and after five minutes the place is empty.

"They will stay. ... And it's nice to see the diverse people gathering on the blankets, families, children. "That is very Chicago."

For more information on the Grant Park Music Festival, visit www.gpmf.org or phone 312-742-7647; all concerts are free.

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allowed to that?"

This is the thing about first-rate performers: They can muster the technique required to create what's called "the illusion of the first time."

Close's words were so sincerely delivered, with such mastery of cadence, it took the viewer a few seconds to realize that the speech could've been given word for word at the very first Globes ceremony. In 1944. Hers was a speech for everybody who didn't care for Frances McDormand getting into specifics about "inclusion riders" and such, in her #MeToo, #TimesUp-marinated manifesto at last year's Academy Awards.

For context's sake: The Globes represent the tastes and voting preferences of the Hollywood Foreign Press Association. It's a tiny group (between 90 and 100) of what's known as "junket journalists," regulars on the studios' freebie train, writing heavily promotional features for media outlets outside the U.S.

Size-wise the HFPA is a speck compared to the 8,000 or so Oscar voters, members of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. The Academy has been diversifying and growing its ranks aggressively in recent years. It's still pretty pale and male and aging, but less so.

Whatever the organization: People vote for a performer or a director or a movie for any number of highly subjective reasons. The merry junket regulars who decreed "Green Book" and "Bohemian Rhapsody" the paragons of 2018 cinema may well have loved them for wildly varying reasons. Both films are insistently likable; they champion society's outsiders and the disenfranchised. "Green Book" hasn't performed as well as many predicted (\$35 million domestic box office, and counting), but it won the coveted and often predictive audience award at the 2018 Toronto International Film Festival. It's statistically likely to get a best picture nomination when the Oscar nominations are announced Jan. 22.

Now that we're in the thick of the awards seasons, a "thick" that so often feels very, very thin, it's crucial to remember: This isn't real life. It's a lot of hokey and popularity contests and celebrity rubbernecking.

But it's worth saying this, too. Filmmaking, the art and

craft and possibilities of the medium — these things do matter. When the Globes tell the world that "Green Book" and "Bohemian Rhapsody" are the best the medium had to offer last year, that's saying something, all right. It's saying that filmmaking technique and visual style and ambition do not matter. That sincere intentions and bland platitudes about acceptance are enough.

As film historian and cultural critic Mark Harris tweeted Sunday night: "Okay, Academy members: Voting starts this week. If you think the two best movies of the year were Bohemian Rhapsody and Green Book, I guess you're in good shape! If you don't, PLEASE MAKE YOURSELVES HEARD."

These two are movies liked by millions, and that's ducky. They're movies for those who want a certain thing from them. Millions adore the Queen songbook, and anybody with eyes can appreciate the zest Rami Malek brings to "Bohemian Rhapsody." The film already has pulled in nearly \$750 million worldwide. That very likely has to do with the script's shameless camp and inauthenticity, its dodgy nervousness regarding Mercury's sexuality, and its squaresville approach to the biopic genre.

So we'll see what turns up on the Oscar nominations list. Both will probably get a best picture nod. A month later, we'll see if Academy voters steer a placating, "common ground" course when they tick their choice for best picture of 2018.

Certainly the Disney-ABC Television Group, whose ABC network telecasts the increasingly fraught, currently host-less Oscars, would prefer a few more massive hits among the winners, after so many recent, modestly scaled, quietly excellent triumphs along the lines of "Spotlight" and "Moonlight." Both of those were highly profitable, given their production budgets, for the record. They didn't go for the throat, though; they went for the head, and the heart, and in their very different ways, they did their jobs beautifully.

But please, Academy voters, remember this: Anti-quated notions of progressivism and pedestrian examples of filmmaking style are not enough.

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SALLY BLOOD PHOTO

Young Man in a Hurry opens for the Vulgar Boatmen on Saturday at Schubas Tavern.

Kogan

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played the Hungry Brain in November.

"We had a lot of friends in the audience," Horn said. "But it was such a joy to be on stage and I think we made some good music and new fans who weren't family members."

Horn is originally from Memphis and has been playing music since his parents kindly allowed him to start drumming at age 9. The reason for this parental indulgence becomes clear when he tells you that his mother (Janis) played violin and piano and his father (Howard) was a doctor who, expressing his own musical past, often referred to his frequent professional lectures as 'gigs'."

Horn went to school and played music in many parts of the country before coming to Chicago for his internship in 1999. He met and married another doctor named Keren and together they started their practice (chicagoderm1765.com) and a family, which now includes three daughters (teenager Gefen and younger twins Harper and Libi) He never gave up music, playing when able in a number of bands and practicing diligently and enjoyably.

He and some pals had formed a band and made a demo CD in 1995 in Los Angeles. Nothing much came of that but nearly a decade later they reunited for 2004's "Sam Winch: The Lullabadeer." It got great reviews. One of its songs, "I Got Some Moves," became part of the soundtrack for TV's "Grey's Anatomy." The band played a few shows around town. A second CD was planned but life and work got in the way.

"Still, no regrets," said Horn. "That was a wonderful musical experience for me."

Baron's father Jack was playing the saxophone in a 1970s road company production of "Grease" and moonlighting at a Rush Street club he met a woman named Rhonda. He fell in love, decided to stay, marry and began domestic life in Skokie as a music teacher and father.

Matt Baron came to music through the guitar given him by his parents when he was six. By seventh grade, he was writing songs and has ever since. He went to college and worked, soul-crushingly but beneficially he will tell you, in sales for some years before deciding to become a teacher in 2010. Teaching English as Second Language and Spanish he began brightening CPS classes with music,

performing his original songs written to embellish teachers' lesson plans and meet state requirements for language arts.

This grew into Future Hits (futurehits.org), a band that uses music for the academic-social-emotional benefit of students. With Emma Hospelhorn, Ben Sutherland and Nick Kabat, the band has released three albums, performed in hundreds of classrooms here, across the United States and as far afield as China and the Galapagos Islands. It does workshops and makes CDs (three and counting) and there is also a 2017 book, "Songs for Learning! Playbook." And a series of live public shows for what the Chicago Reader has called an "educational rock powerhouse" — afternoon performances on Jan. 27 at Beat Kitchen and Feb. 2 at the Hideout.

"With all we are doing, time is very valuable and when Meyer and I started playing together, fun was the goal, no great ambitions," said Baron. "But the more we played it was obvious we were going someplace musically and so we decided to get Nick and Teddy and keep going."

Working with and refining and embellishing Baron's original tunes, the band quickly decided that it needed to record. "Mey-

er was the spark for that," says Baron. It did so in June at VSOP Studios in West Town. That soon-to-be-released album is titled "Jarvis," was produced by Brian Deck and features a large number of guest musicians, including Matt's father Jack.

In talking to the band's busy founding members one night at the close of last year at an Old Town tavern, they were not inclined to make any 2019 predictions.

"We are having a great time," said Baron.

"What we are doing now really serves my artistic concept," said Horn.

They were passionate about their music but not pragmatic. They are well aware of the increasingly precarious nature of the music business. So of-the-moment satisfied were they that I almost expected one of them to echo something William Rainey Harper, that bygone "young man in a hurry," once said: "Set your sights not just on the next few weeks ... set your sights on the years ahead — because our vision will look that far ahead."

Instead, Baron smiled and said, "2019? Well, I did just get engaged so maybe a wedding? Her name's Whitney?"

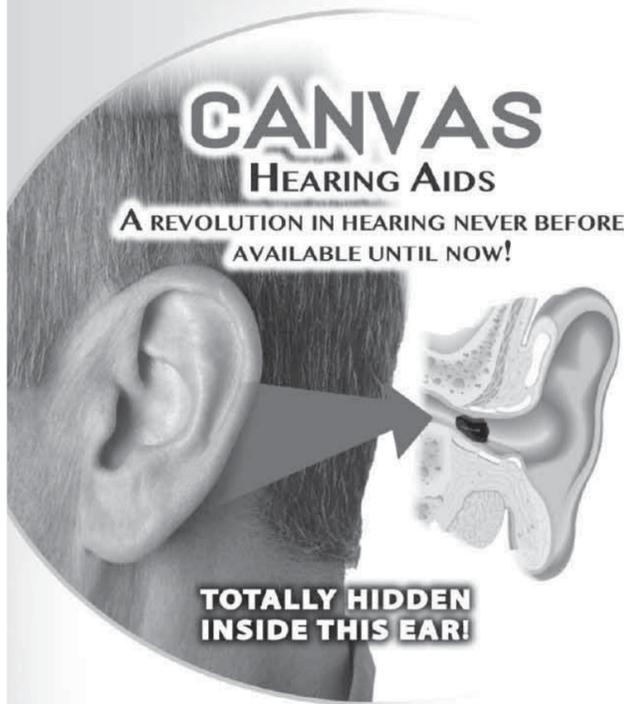
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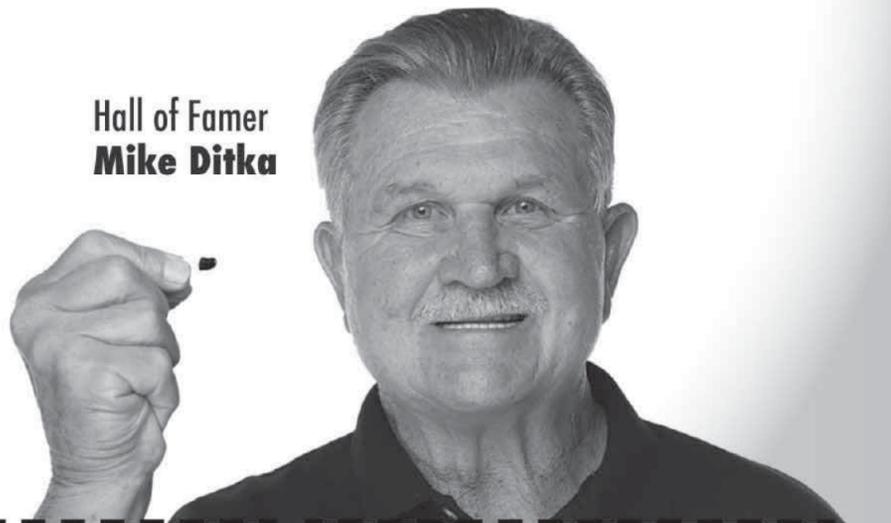
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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Aiden Gillen

“Project Blue Book” (9 p.m., 10:03 p.m., 12:03 a.m., 1:05 a.m., History): Oscar-winning director Robert Zemeckis is an executive producer on this new 10-episode drama series, which is based on actual top-secret investigations into UFOs and related phenomena by the U.S. Air Force from 1952 to 1969. In the series premiere, “The Fuller Dogfight,” the Air Force recruits Ohio State astrophysicist Dr. Allen Hynek (Aiden Gillen) to join Project Blue Book.

“Garage Rehab” (7 p.m., 11 p.m., Discovery): This spinoff to “Fast N’ Loud” follows Richard Rawlings as he travels America looking for struggling garages that could use a transformation from him, along with project manager Russell J. Holmes and auto shop consultant Chris Stephens. This season finds the team on their most important rehab yet: a garage run by veterans, where men and women transitioning out of military service learn automotive repair skills.

“Good Trouble” (7 p.m., FREE): This spinoff to “The Fosters” finds Maia Mitchell and Cierra Ramirez reprising their roles as Callie and Mariana Adams Foster, who are entering the next phase of their lives. The series premiere finds the pair moving into The Coterie in downtown Los Angeles, where they quickly confront daunting new challenges, as Callie discovers the harsh realities of the federal legal system while clerking for a conservative judge (Roger Bart).

“Expedition Unknown” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., TRAVEL): Josh Gates travels to Argentina, where many Nazi officers of the SS managed to escape in the days following World War II. Josh manages to uncover previously unknown Nazi hideouts and also investigates what may be one of the most shocking conspiracy theories ever: the allegedly “true” fate of Adolf Hitler.

“NCIS: New Orleans” (9 p.m., CBS): Determined to avenge the death of someone who had been close to them, Pride, Lasalle (Scott Bakula, Lucas Black) and the rest of the New Orleans NCIS team hatch a plan they hope will lead them to take down a secret and deadly band of wrongdoers who used to work for intelligence agencies themselves in a new episode called “Vindicta.”

“New Amsterdam” (9:01 p.m., NBC): NBC’s new hit medical drama returns to complete the back half of its freshman season in the aftermath of a truly shocking mid-season finale. Much of that episode saw selfless, cancer-stricken Dr. Max Goodwin (Ryan Eggold) trying to persuade his oncologist, Dr. Helen Sharpe (Freema Agyeman), to enroll him in a new clinical trial.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m., TBS): Conan races down the autobahn, tries to master “schuh-plattler” and visits a dominatrix while in historic Berlin, Germany.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Andy Samberg; director Alfonso Cuarón; Dan & Shay perform.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Keegan-Michael Key; actor Josh Hutcherson; chef Jamie Oliver.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: “Toil and Trouble.” (N) © HD		FBI: “Identity Crisis.” (N) © HD		NCIS: New Orleans: “Vindicta.” (N) © HD		News (N) ▶
	NBC 5	Ellen’s Game of Games (Season Premiere) (N) © HD		Ellen’s Game of Games (N) © HD		(9:01) New Amsterdam: “Six or Seven Minutes.” (N)		NBC 5 News (N) ▶
	ABC 7	The Conners (N) ©	Kids-Alright (N)	blackish (N) ©	Splitting Up Together (N)	The Rookie: “Standoff.” (N) © HD		News at 10pm (N) ▶
	WGN 9	blackish: “Juneteenth.”	blackish © HD	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) © HD		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3’s Comp.
	This TV 9.3	Gang Related (R,’97) ★★	James Belushi. ©			Diary of a Hitman (R,’92) ★★ © ▶		
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr. (Season Premiere) (N)		We’ll Meet Again (Season Finale) (N) © HD		USS Indianapolis (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 ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ▶
	Bounce 26.5	Scandal ©		Just Cause (R,’95) ★★	Sean	Connelly, Laurence Fishburne.		
	FOX 32	Lethal Weapon: “Dial M for Murtaugh.” (N) ©		The Gifted: “meMento.” (N) © HD		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		To be announced ▶
	Ion 38	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Private ▶
	Telem 44	La sultana (N) ©		Falsa identidad (N) ©		Señora Acero (N) ©		Chicago (N)
	CW 50	Supergirl ©		Madden NFL (N)		Chicago P.D. © HD		Chicago ▶
	UniMas 60	▶ (6) Entre dos amores		Rosario Tijeras HD		Rosario Tijeras HD		Tiro de ▶
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	Univ 66	Jesús		Mi marido tiene familia		Amar a muerte		Noticias (N)
	CABLE	AE	Leah Remini: Scientology		Leah Remini (N)		(9:01) 60 Days In ©	
AMC		The Breakfast Club (R,’85) ★★	Emilio Estevez.			(9:15) Sister Act (PG,’92) ★★ ▶		
ANIM		Lone Star Law (Season Premiere) (N)		Lone Star Law (N)		Lone Star Law ©		Lone Star ▶
BBCA		The Karate Kid (PG,’84) ★★	Ralph Macchio, Noriyuki		“Pat” Morita. ©			Karate II ▶
BET		▶ I Can Do Bad		The Family Business (N)		The Family Business		Rants (N)
BIGTEN		▶ College Basketball (N)		BIG Basket	Campus	BTN Wrestling in 60 ©		Basketball
BRAVO		Below Deck ©		Below Deck (N) ©		Buying It Blind ©		Watch (N)
CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
CNBC		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		The Profit (N) ©		The Profit ▶
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E!		Botched ©		Big Daddy (PG-13,’99) ★	Adam Sandler. ©			Busy (N)
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FOOD		Chopped ©		Chopped (N) ©		Chopped: “Clean Eatin’.”		Chopped ▶
FREE		Good Trouble: “DTLA.” (Series Premiere) (N)		Beauty and the Beast (G,’91) ★★	© (SAP)			700 Club ▶
FX		Ride Along 2 (PG-13,’16) ★★	Ice Cube, Kevin Hart. ©			Ride Along 2 (PG-13,’16) ★★	Ice Cube. ©	
HALL		Love on Ice (NR,’17) Julie Berman. ©				Love’s Complicated (NR,’15) © ▶		
HGTV		Fixer Upper ©		Windy City Rehab (N) ©		Hunters (N) Hunt Intl		Hunters
HIST		▶ Digging Deeper (N)		The Curse of (N)		Project Blue Book (Series Premiere) (N)		Project ▶
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IFC		The Town (R,’10) ★★	Ben Affleck, Rebecca Hall. ©					History X ▶
LIFE		Married (N) Married (N)		Married at First Sight (N) ©			Married (N)	Married ▶
MSNBC		All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour ▶
MTV		Lindsay Lohan Beach (Series Premiere) (N)		Lindsay	Lindsay Lohan Beach	Lindsay		Lindsay ▶
NBCSCH		College Basketball: Northern Iowa at Illinois State. (N)		Alpine Skiing (Tape)				All Access
NICK		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	The Office	The Office	Friends ©
OVATION		▶ (6) Crocodile Dundee		Fools Rush In (PG-13,’97) ★★		Matthew Perry, Salma Hayek. ©		
OWN		The Haves, Nots		The Haves, Nots (N)		Love & Marriage (N)		The Haves ▶
OPX	Snapped: Killer Couples		Snapped: Killer Couples		Snapped: Killer Couples		Snapped ▶	
PARMT	Friends ©	Friends ©	Bad Boys (R,’95) ★★	Martin Lawrence, Will Smith. © ▶				
SYFY	47 Ronin (PG-13,’13) ★★	Keanu Reeves, Hiroyuki Sanada. ©			Freddy vs. Jason (R) ★★ ▶			
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan © ▶	
TGM	Andy Hardy’s Private Secretary (NR,’41) ★★	©			Rio Rita (NR,’42) ★★	Bud Abbott. © ▶		
TLC	My Big Fat Fabulous Life: “If Heather Finds Out ...” (N)				I Am Jazz (N)		I Am Jazz ▶	
TLN	Let Think	Wealth	Focus on	Difference	Life Today	Insights	Word Pics ▶	
TNT	Law Abiding Citizen (R,’09) ★	Jamie Foxx. ©			Sully (PG-13,’16) ★★	Tom Hanks. ▶		
TOON	Samur. Jack	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	
TRAV	Locations	Locations	Expedition Unknown (N)		Legend Hunter (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Expedition ▶	
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USA	WWE SmackDown! (N) (Live) ©				London Has Fallen (R,’16) ★★ ▶			
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	MAX	Working Girl (R,’88) ★★	Melanie Griffith. ©			(8:55) View From the Top (*03) ★★ ©		
	SHO	▶ (6) Bull Durham (*88) ★★	Inside the NFL (N) ©			Ray Donovan ©		Inside NFL ▶
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STZNC	▶ (6:10) Dear John (*10) ★★	The Curious Case of Benjamin Button (PG-13,’08) ★★	Brad Pitt. ▶					

IN PERFORMANCE

Young women of Playwrights Fest tackle identity

BY KERRY REID
Chicago Tribune

On the heels of a wave of diverse younger women joining the ranks of the 116th Congress, Pegasus Theatre Chicago’s 32nd Young Playwrights Festival feels right at home with the zeitgeist. The three young women represented this year, like their congressional counterparts, also aren’t afraid to speak their minds on social issues. Their plays encompass stories about LGBTQ issues, gun violence and parental abuse, and gentrification. The festival connects these writers with professional directors, actors and designers in a workshop process that further develops their scripts for full productions.

Yet despite touching on hot-button topics, none of the three writers selected this year set out to write political treatises. As Alexis Gaw, a senior at Lane Tech College Prep and author of “A Green Light” puts it, “I wrote a play about a boy who happens to love other boys. And the fact that that is political right now is what we need to examine more closely. Not necessarily the politics of what we write, but why they’re considered political.”

Anonda Tyler, author of “Fragile Limbs” and a senior at Kenwood Academy, notes “I basically wrote what I live, and not necessarily the stereotype. Sometimes the stereotype is most people’s reality. I tried to make it real to what life is and what it can be.”

Luna MacWilliams, a Whitney M. Young Magnet High School grad now in her freshman year at Connecticut Wesleyan University, drew on her own experiences growing up in Pilsen and Little Village. “It’s a striving and beautiful community and there are struggles that people go through.”

Says Tyler “I think what all of our plays represent is the theme of self-identity. I found that very cool.”

‘A Green Light’

Gaw’s play, directed by Joan Mazzone, fleshes out the cracks in the friendship between high school students Patrick (Sam Godinez) and Bea (Marianna Gallegos) when the former comes out as gay. Bea doesn’t reject Patrick — but she makes it clear that she doesn’t want to hear about his crushes because “politics” makes her uncomfortable. Patrick, who gets support online from fellow LGBTQ people around the country, tries to figure out how to stay friends with Bea while also pursuing his attraction to a boy in his creative writing class (Juan Castillo).

The backdrop for this story is the upcoming prom. But unlike the current Broadway musical, “The Prom,” Gaw’s play doesn’t spend any time with the role of adults in this world. There are no townspeople threatening to shut down a dance if a same-sex couple shows up. Instead, she keeps the focus on Patrick and Bea. Godinez and Gallegos, though playing younger than their actual ages, nail the universal state of adolescent awakening romantic ache and the realization that friendships — no matter their vintage — must sometimes change if they’re going to endure.

‘Fragile Limbs’

Tyler’s play takes a poetic approach to loss, with characters bearing the symbolic names of Faith (Vincent Banks) and Hope (Jamia Taylor). The former has lost family members to gun violence and feels that his own creative voice as a rapper has also been shut down in the wake of those

tragedies. He meets Hope in a park and is instantly drawn to her, without knowing that she has suffered verbal and physical abuse from her mother (Kameron Villavicencio).

Tyler incorporates a mysterious figure in a black cloak, identified as “Fragile Boy” (Elaine C. Bell), who helps steer Faith and Hope toward each other despite their fears. The notion of fragility and vulnerability as a source of growth and strength comes through clearly in Juan Ramirez’s staging, highlighted by Steve Labeledz’s projections of broken glass. Ultimately, Tyler’s play suggests that the way out of darkness is by facing loss and accepting the possibility of love.

‘Good Strong Coffee’

MacWilliams’ play is set in a longtime Pilsen coffeehouse, run by Ernesto (Castillo) and Violeta (Villavicencio). Their parents, who died in a car accident, started the business decades earlier. But now their children have to decide if it’s worth keeping it going in the face of gentrification and their own desires for careers and family away from the hiss of espresso machines.

Directed by Pegasus executive producing director Ilesa Duncan (who is also now the new artistic director for Lifeline Theatre), MacWilliams’ play uses a revolving ensemble of supporting players in multiple roles as patrons of the coffeeshop — from millennial hipsters Instagramming their drinks to a tattoo artist (Grace Bolander) who encourages Violeta to start performing her own writing at open mics. Bell plays Luz, a longtime employee of the shop who reminds the siblings of why their parents started it in the first place — to provide a joyous place of communi-



MICHAEL COURIER PHOTO

Marianna Gallegos and Sam Godinez star in “A Green Light,” part of the 32nd Young Playwrights Festival.

ty. At its best, that’s what the Young Playwrights Festival has always done, along with providing pro-

fessional guidance and nurturing for the next generation of writers. As Gaw notes, despite the differences in subject mat-

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ter and tone, the plays this year contain “a common theme of carving out happiness in times off crisis and struggle.”

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Jan. 8): Dream your perfect world this year. Personal discipline expands your capacities and results. Love catches you by surprise. Winter expenses hit shared accounts, leading to stronger collaboration with your partner. Reorient yourself this summer before a personal breakthrough illuminates.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Check public opinion. Friends can be especially helpful, although misunderstandings or delays could frustrate.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Pursue professional objectives. Work takes priority as you prepare for an inspection. Avoid gossip, and keep confidences. Consider consequences, which could get expensive.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Get outside and explore. Discussions could cause a change in plans. Favor action over talk. Take an opportunity to study your subject closely.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Financial matters have your attention. Make sure you're on track with the budget. Find creative ways to conserve resources.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Keep your patience with your partner. The conversation could seem to go in circles. Stick to predetermined objectives. Actions speak louder than words.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Your load could seem heavy, or work intense. Avoid misunderstandings, and focus on action. Words can get twisted or tangled. Slow for tricky sections.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Enjoy the game without taking expensive risks. Too much talk can cool the mood or provoke an argument. Make a careful move, and wait for developments.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Make household changes to support your family. An unexpected repair could disrupt. Avoid provoking upsets or fussing. Seek out simple, inexpensive solutions.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Practice listening in moments of writer's block. Notice what's going on around you. Words fall short. Delays and traffic interrupt.

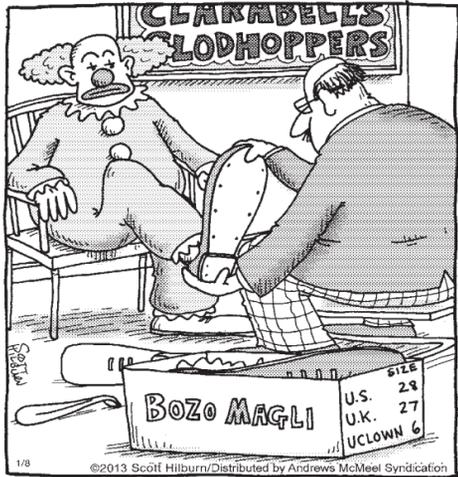
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Pursue lucrative goals. Avoid financial discussions or negotiations. The possibility of disagreement is high. Your actions can get especially productive; quietly get moving.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. You're ready to make improvements. Take charge for the results you want. Don't try new tricks, though. Avoid risk or speculation.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 5. Find a quiet place to productively organize and plan what's next. Avoid overstimulation or noise. Tempers could seem high. Lay low, and wait for developments.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn (Argyle Sweater is off this week. Please enjoy this panel from 2013.)



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

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

Gail Greenberg, from the New York City area, has been one of the world's best women players for many decades. She was South in today's deal. Had she opened one diamond, her partner's one spade response would have put her in a tough spot. Her hand was too strong to rebid one no trump and not strong enough to bid two hearts — a reverse. She would have had to rebid her five-card diamond suit — almost always a poor idea. She avoided this problem

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♣

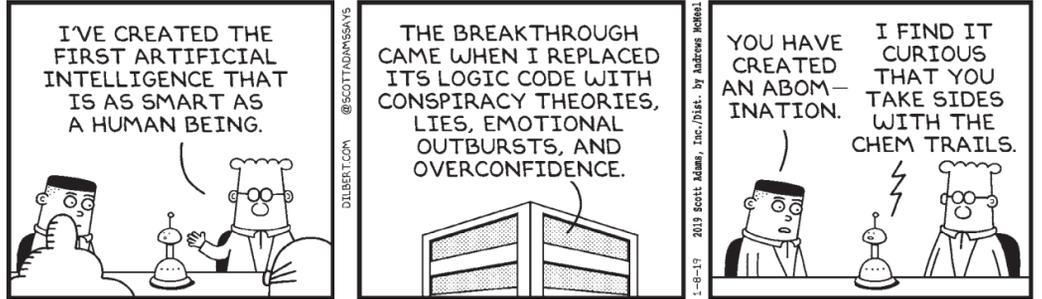
by opening with a slightly off shape one no trump.

The defense got off to their best lead and Greenberg had a problem. Should the diamonds split 3-3, she could get two extra tricks from the diamond suit, but she would have to give up the lead twice. The defense would have time to set up two club tricks to go with two diamonds and the ace of spades. She used her imagination and came up with a line of play that had a better chance — not a good chance, just a better chance. Can you spot it?

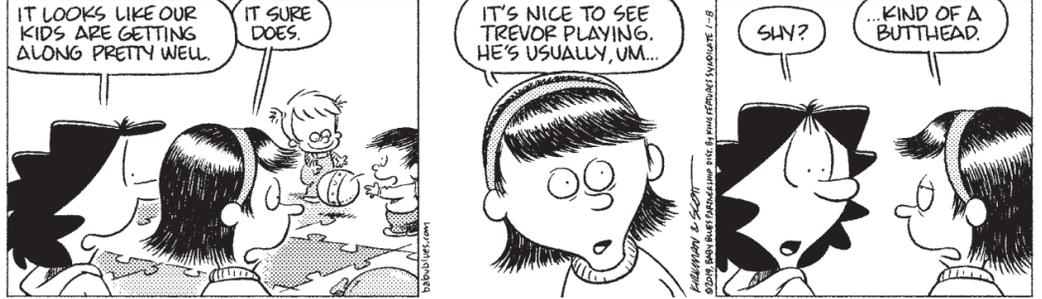
She won the opening club lead in dummy and led a low spade to her jack and West's ace. She won the club continuation in hand with the king and cashed the king of spades. She then crossed to dummy with the ace of hearts and led a low spade. The fall of the queen made the 10 of spades her ninth trick. Well done!

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert By Scott Adams



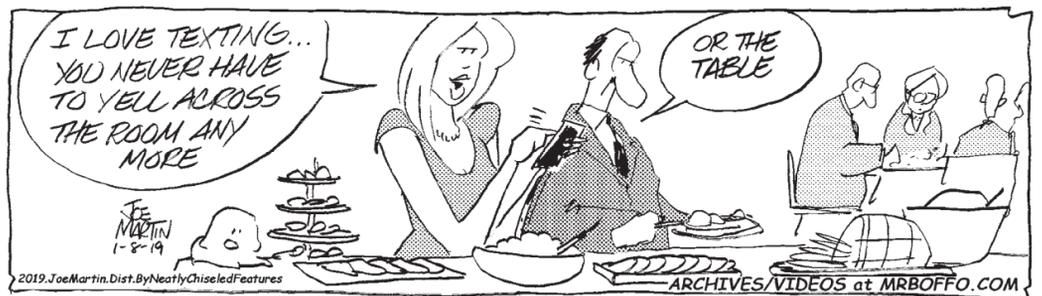
Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



Mr. Boffo By Joe Martin



Frazz By Jef Mallett



Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz



Pickles By Brian Crane



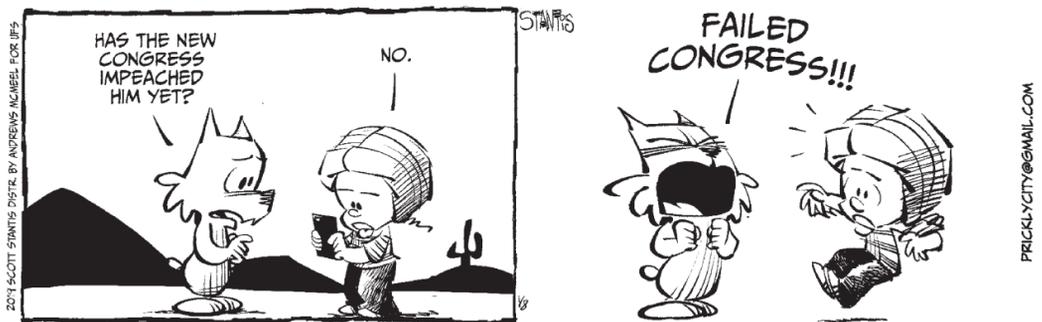
Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



Animal Crackers By Mike Osburn



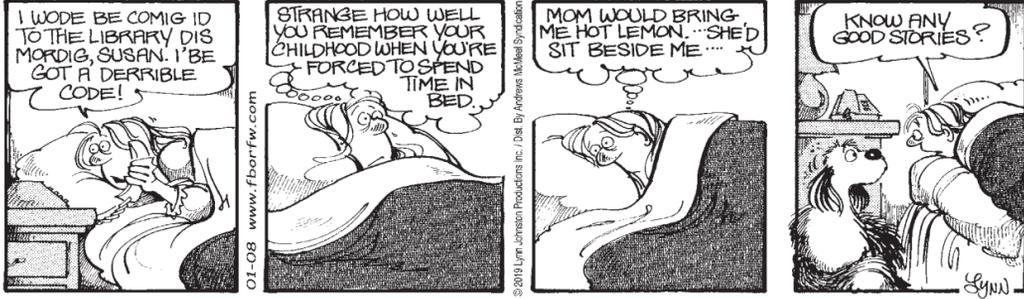
Prickly City By Scott Stantis



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



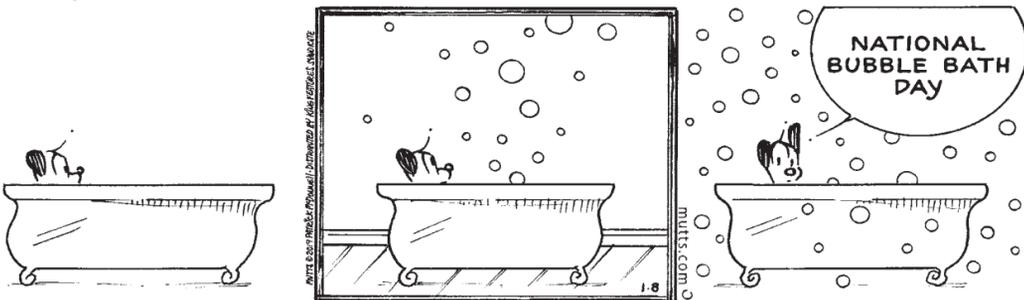
Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



WuMo By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey



Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



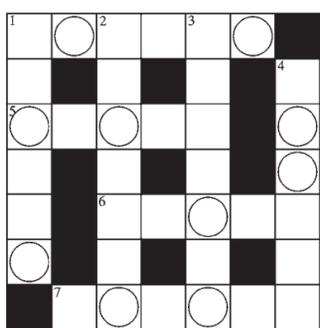
Trivia Bits

Neil Armstrong first set foot on the moon in what location?

A) Sea of Clouds
B) Sea of Fertility
C) Sea of Serenity
D) Sea of Tranquility

Monday's answer: Mother-of-pearl, also known as nacre, forms inside seashells.

Jumble Crossword



CLUE ACROSS

1. Real ____
5. Precious stone
6. Dormant, inactive
7. Forbid, restrict

CLUE DOWN

1. Prohibit, command
2. Hawser
3. Bank ____
4. Movie ____

ANSWER

STEEA
ELEJW
TRINE
ECOSRN

ANSWER

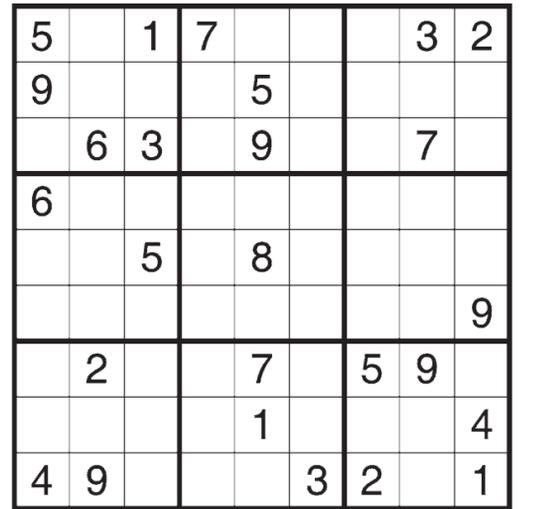
IONENJ
NEOWLTI
EETLSRL
SPORTE

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

1/8



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

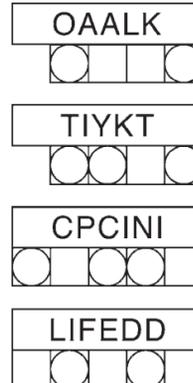
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Monday's solutions

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Jumble

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



Answer here



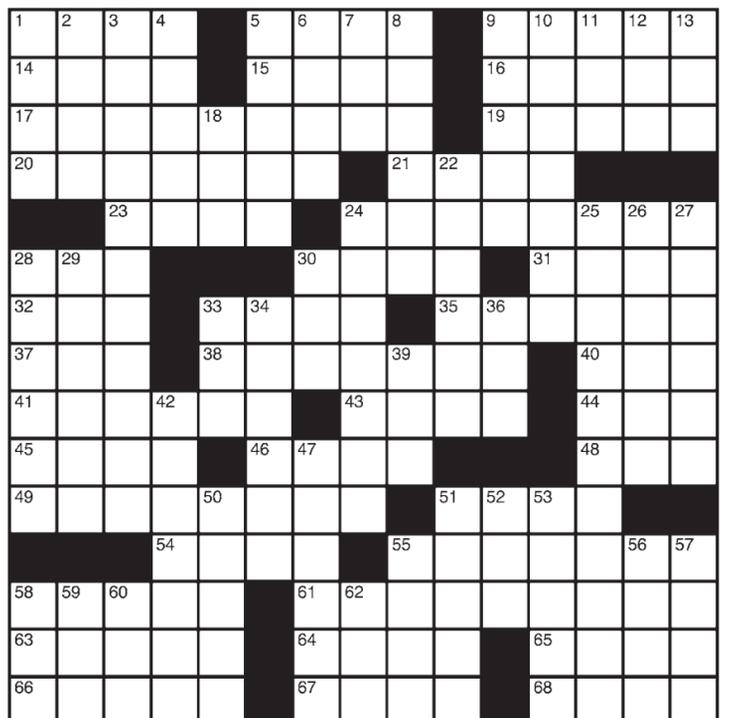
Monday's answers

Jumbles: GEESE GABBY HIDDEN JUNIOR
Answer: The lawyers in the courtroom were — BEING JUDGED

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Crossword

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Across

- 1 Winter warm spell
- 5 Simon & Garfunkel's "El Condor ____"
- 9 Sneer (at)
- 14 Texas home of Baylor University
- 15 CPR pros
- 16 Jazz clarinetist Shaw
- 17 National Portrait Gallery, e.g.
- 19 Ugh-inducing
- 20 Observes secretly
- 21 67-Across exile
- 23 Dollar bills
- 24 Freebies for tourists
- 28 Soda container
- 30 List-shortening abbr.
- 31 The Emerald Isle
- 32 Ideology suffix
- 33 Little fluid holder
- 35 Altered, as voting districts
- 37 Merged labor org.

- 38 Medium for many talk shows ... and an apt place to discuss six puzzle answers?
- 40 "Give ____ break"
- 41 Soldiers' support gp. since 1944
- 43 Sign gas
- 44 "Life of Pi" director Lee
- 45 "How ya ____?"
- 46 Not ____ snuff: unsatisfactory
- 48 "Cats" poet's monogram
- 49 Rosary recital
- 51 Conveyer of tears
- 54 Taiwan-based laptop giant
- 55 Spanish island, to locals
- 58 Deep cleft
- 61 Puzzle solver's breakthrough, e.g.
- 63 Tickle
- 64 Dorothy's dog
- 65 Tiny fraction of a min.
- 66 Jobs with a finger
- 67 Genesis paradise
- 68 Concerning

- 6 Blessing conclusion
- 7 Good name for a cook
- 8 Eritrea's capital
- 9 Yemen's capital
- 10 Hit the books at the last minute
- 11 Extra NBA periods
- 12 In top form
- 13 "Whiskey Tango Foxtrot" actress Tina
- 18 Put in the game
- 22 Texas border city
- 24 Home of the Braves
- 25 Inflatable bed for a guest
- 26 Grooms, bird-style
- 27 Municipal waste
- 28 Noisy summer insect
- 29 "I, Robot" author
- 30 Organ with a lobe
- 33 Napa Valley vessel
- 34 "There's no doubt!"
- 36 Long, long time
- 39 "Gloria in Excelsis ____"
- 42 All together
- 47 Illicit video producer
- 50 High points
- 51 Evil spirit
- 52 Card game inducted into the Toy Hall of Fame in 2018
- 53 Pause-causing punctuation
- 55 Hand on deck
- 56 Tech news site
- 57 "I Got You Babe" label
- 58 Ballplayer's hat
- 59 Managed care gp.
- 60 Arctic seabird
- 62 Coal scuttle

Monday's solution



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TUESDAY, JAN. 8

NORMAL HIGH: 31°

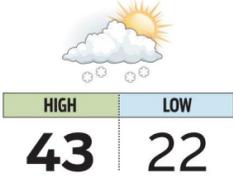
NORMAL LOW: 17°

RECORD HIGH: 63° (1965)

RECORD LOW: -11° (1942)

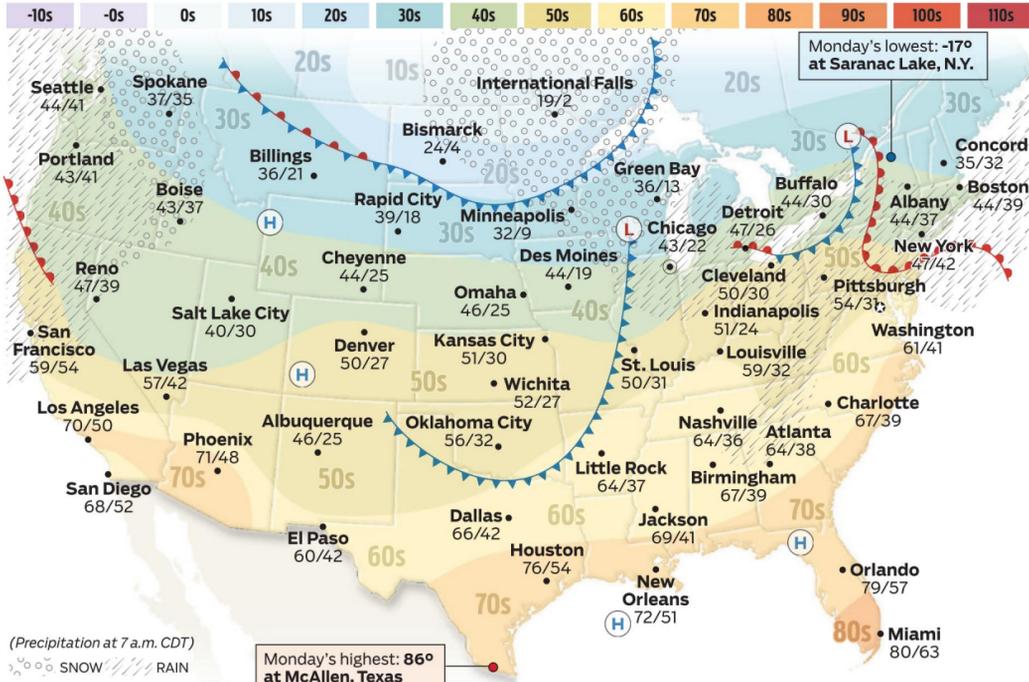
Wintry temperatures to return on gusty winds

LOCAL FORECAST



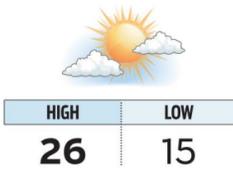
- Wind advisory in effect. Colder air arrives, but readings remain above normal.
- Mostly cloudy, mild early. Sprinkles possible as cold front passes.
- Daybreak temps range from mid 30s far NW to low 40s S-E.
- Trending blustery and cooler. Winds turn NW and increase to 20-30 mph. Sprinkles mix with or change to snow showers/flurries.
- Temps hold nearly steady through the day despite partial sunshine in the afternoon.
- Brisk, colder overnight with a chance of flurries.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Polar air has been noticeably absent most of this winter season. Since climatological winter began Dec. 1, only seven of the past 38 days have posted a temperature deficit. Our last sub-normal reading was Dec. 10. Snowfall has also been meager, with 1.6 inches recorded at O'Hare International Airport. The city has had no observed snow cover since Dec. 1. The opening week of January has continued the warm spell, averaging more than 12 degrees above normal, including Monday's unseasonable, 23-degree temperature surplus. Northwest winds gusting over 40 mph will sweep across the area Tuesday, bringing an influx of colder air. The core of this rare polar air is expected to settle across the area Wednesday and Thursday, with highs in the 20s. By next week, forecasts suggest mild air will return for an extended period.

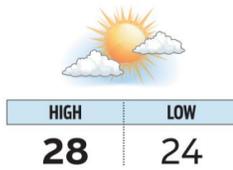
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9



A January reality check. High pressure builds toward the upper Midwest bringing dry, cold weather. Temps slowly climb to the mid 20s, but brisk NW winds keep wind chill readings in the single digits.



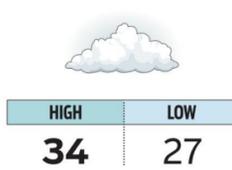
THURSDAY, JAN. 10



Tranquil, with temps running a bit below normal. Morning sunshine fades as high level clouds increase. Afternoon temps peak in the upper 20s. Winds diminish to light N-NE.



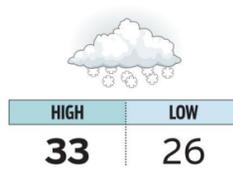
FRIDAY, JAN. 11



Considerable cloudiness as low pressure organizes to the southwest. Flurries possible late in the day, then snow chances rise overnight. SE-S winds 10-15 mph.



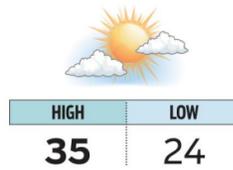
SATURDAY, JAN. 12



Low pressure passes south bringing occasional light snow. Some accumulation possible. Daytime temps hover near freezing. Mostly cloudy with a chance of flurries at night. E-NE winds 10-20 mph.



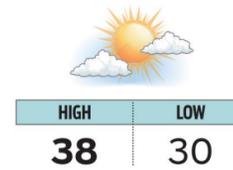
SUNDAY, JAN. 13



Clouds decrease as weather system heads east. Brisk and seasonally chilly. Emergent sunshine helps temps reach the low-mid 30s. NE winds 15-20 mph diminish in the afternoon.



MONDAY, JAN. 14



SW winds increase to 15-20 mph signaling the start of our next warming trend. Sun dims at times due to passing high/mid level clouds. Temps rise to the upper 30s. Partly cloudy, not as chilly overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
How often has the highest temperature in the January-to-March period in Chicago occurred in January?

— Greg Mate, McHenry

Dear Greg,

In 148 years of Chicago's official temperature records, 1871 through 2018, the highest temperature in the January-February-March period has occurred in January only seven times, or only once every 21 years, on average.

The highest temperature has happened in February 13 times (just a little over once every 11 years); and, as we would expect, the highest temperature in the January-February-March period has occurred in March the greatest number of times: 125 times. In three years — 1896, 1972 and 2001 — the highest temperature was tied between February and March. Chicago's winter climate is cold, but on rare occasions temperatures in January do, indeed, reach mild levels.

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Monday's 50s a distant memory; temps to tumble 34-degrees

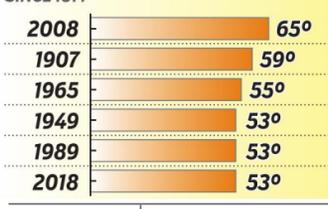
MONDAY'S UNSEASONABLY MILD HIGHS—MORE TYPICAL OF EARLY APRIL



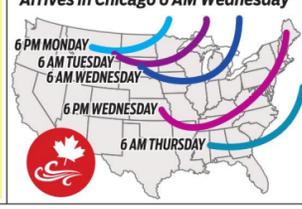
Other "warm" area high temperatures

Valparaiso	57°	Blue Island	55°
Joliet	57°	Lemont	55°
Kankakee	56°	Elmhurst	55°
Merrillville, Ind.	56°	Riverside	55°

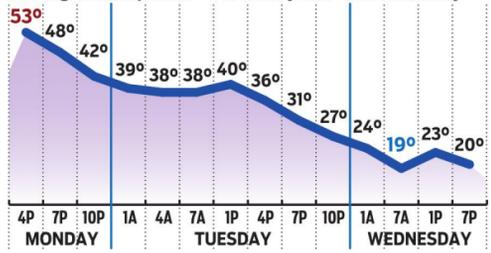
WARMEST JANUARY 7 ON RECORD SINCE 1871



LEADING EDGE OF CANADIAN AIR Arrives in Chicago 6 AM Wednesday

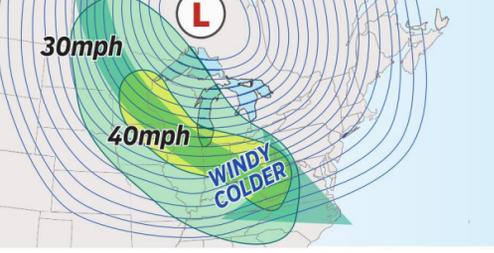


TRACKING A RETURN TO WINTER TEMPERATURES



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

WINDY TRANSITION TO COLDER AIR TUESDAY AFTERNOON



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CHICAGO DIGEST

MONDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	54	41	Midway	55	41
Gary	57	41	O'Hare	53	40
Kankakee	56	41	Romeoville	55	41
Lakefront	54	37	Valparaiso	57	39
Lansing	55	39	Waukegan	52	38

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Mon. (through 6 p.m.)	0.46"	0.06"
January to date	0.46"	0.44"
Year to date	0.46"	0.44"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Mon. (through 6 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	14.3"	10.2"
Normal to date	11.9"	12.6"

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Wind SW/W 18-42 kts.	NW 15-30 kts.
Waves 3-5 feet	3-5 feet
Mon. shore/creeper water temps	37°/34°

U.S. SNOW COVER

JAN. 7	2019	2018
Area covered by snow	31.3%	43.3%
Average snow depth	2.8"	3.2"

TRACKING THE COLD

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	6 days	6 days
Subzero lows	0 days	0 days

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Monday's reading	Good
Tuesday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Particles

TUESDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	7:17 a.m.	4:37 p.m.
Moon	9:02 a.m.	7:11 p.m.

TUESDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	6:33 a.m.	3:32 p.m.
Venus	3:38 a.m.	1:38 p.m.
Mars	10:48 a.m.	11:07 p.m.
Jupiter	4:48 a.m.	2:06 p.m.
Saturn	6:56 a.m.	4:08 p.m.

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION

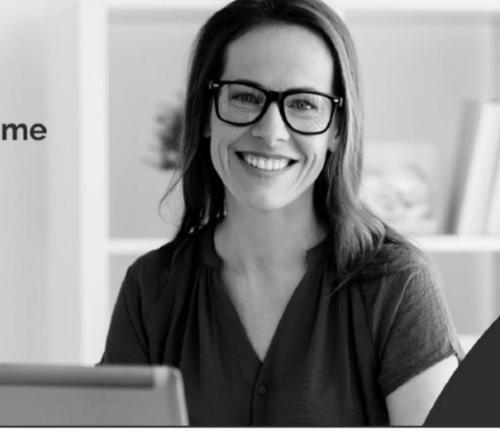
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	5:45 a.m.	19° SE
Mars	5:30 p.m.	49.5° S
Jupiter	6:00 a.m.	10.5° SE
Saturn	Not visible	

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