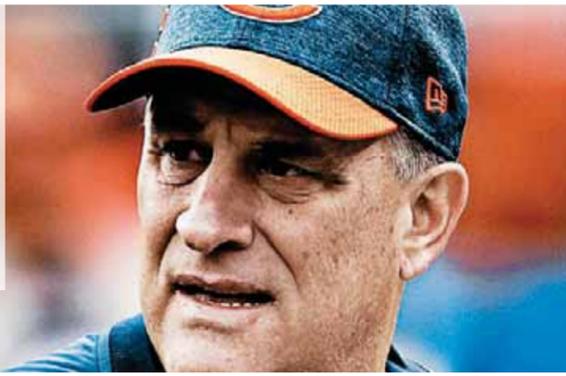


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Trump dismisses Dems: ‘Bye-bye’



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Environmental Protection Agency scientist Loreen Targos, 32, is juggling the cost of two homes with no promise of another paycheck.

Negotiation for border wall funds barely got started before it ended

BY CATHERINE LUCEY, LISA MASCARO AND LAURIE KELLMAN
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump walked out of his negotiating meeting with congressional leaders Wednesday — “I said bye-bye,” he tweeted soon after — as efforts to end the 19-day partial government shutdown fell into deeper disarray over his demand for billions of dollars to build a wall on the U.S.-Mexico border. Hundreds of thousands of federal workers now face lost paychecks Friday.

The president is to visit the border Thursday, but he has expressed his own doubts that his appearance and remarks will change any minds.

The brief session in the White House Situation Room ended almost as soon as it began.

Democrats said they asked Trump to reopen the government, but he told them if he did they wouldn't give him money for the wall that has been his signature promise since his presidential campaign two years ago.

Republicans said Trump posed a direct question to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi: If he opened the government would she fund the wall? She said no.

Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer said Trump slammed his hand on the table and walked out. Republicans said Trump, who passed out candy at the start of the meeting, did not raise his voice and there was no table-pounding.

One result was certain: The shutdown plunged into new territory with no endgame in sight. The Democrats see the idea of the long, impenetrable wall as ineffective and even immoral, a terrible use of the \$5.7 billion Trump is asking. He sees it as an absolute necessity to stop what he calls a crisis of illegal immigration, drug-smuggling and human trafficking at the border.

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In Chicago area, shutdown turning lives upside down

Some 40K workers across region affected. These are some of their stories.

BY MORGAN GREENE AND ELVIA MALAGON | Chicago Tribune

The effects of a government shutdown with no end in sight are starting to seep into the everyday lives of Chicagoans.

As the shutdown continued into its third week, with President Donald Trump demanding \$5 billion for his border wall and others fighting for the government to reopen, local federal workers braced for missed paychecks, mortgage payments and uncertainty over when they would return to work. More than 40 agencies employ about 40,000 federal employees across the region, according to the Chicago Federal Executive Board.

The federal government shutdown in January 2018 essentially ended after one workday. This shutdown was in its 19th day as of Wednesday.

Trump made a Tuesday night address to the nation and planned a Thursday visit to the U.S.-Mexico border. Along with furloughed work-

ers, some ordinary people who rely on government programs are facing their own set of hurdles — and more are expected to be hit as the situation drags on.

Here are snapshots of some of those affected by the shutdown:

EPA scientist: Loreen Targos, an EPA scientist in the Great Lakes National Program Office and a steward for the American Federation of Government Employees Local 704, said she never thought about having to get another job — until this week.

“Why is this time the time?” said Targos about the shutdown. “When I got married and have a mortgage?”

Targos said she and her husband bought a home in Pilsen in September with the help of a Federal Housing Administration loan but haven't been able to move in yet. So she's covering the cost of two homes with no promise of another paycheck. And she has also received a message that her health benefits could be in jeopardy after a few missed paychecks.

ComEd set to replace some Northbrook lines

Power surges prompt drive to perform the neighborhood upgrades

BY ALEXANDRA KUKULKA
 Pioneer Press

After a power surge struck a Northbrook neighborhood in 2014, the list of appliances Leslie Levin had to replace was long.

She was left to purchase two new sump pumps, electric ovens, an electric cook top, a washing machine, dishwasher and alarm system, among other things.

About four years later, it happened again.

A similar power surge forced Levin to once again replace appliances and household electronics.

“If it was plugged in the wall, it was lost,” Levin said. “All the stuff that I replaced four years ago I

now have to replace again.”

Now, ComEd is scheduled to replace some of the power lines in her neighborhood.

Levin said that after she filed a claim in 2014, she was dropped from her insurance company because she reported more than \$20,000 in damages. Levin has a new insurance company but pays more for home owners insurance, she said.

In September 2014 and again in September 2018, residents living near Northbrook Junior High School experienced power surges that resulted in thousands of dollars in damages to electronic appliances, furnaces and air conditioning units and outlets.

Residents say they have shared their concerns with village officials and argue that ComEd is not

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Democrats bolster numbers

Ahead of Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker's inauguration next week, Democrats strengthened their numbers in Springfield and House Speaker Michael Madigan tried to urge cooperation while vilifying Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner. Madigan won the gavel again Wednesday as a new class of lawmakers was sworn into office. Senate President John Cullerton, above, was also easily elected. **Chicagoland, Page 4**

'20 Ford Explorer to be made in Chicago

Ford returned to its roots by launching a fully-redesigned rear-wheel drive 2020 Explorer on Tuesday. The best-selling three-row crossover will be built in Chicago. Moving from front-wheel drive like most other crossovers boosts sportiness, towing capability and larger passenger accommodations, Ford said. It is a vital vehicle for the company, whose crossover lineup has grown stale amid a booming market. **Business**

Rosenstein plans to leave Justice Dept.

The most visible Justice Department protector of Robert Mueller's Russia probe is expected to leave after a new attorney general is confirmed. **Nation & World, Page 10**



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House Speaker Nancy Pelosi talks with reporters following a meeting with President Donald Trump on Wednesday.



JOHN KASS

Our leaders are lousy sausage-makers

Before we get into all the liberal media hysteria over the government shutdown and the southern border, and Donald, Nancy and Chuck hissing at one another while avoiding a workable compromise sitting right in front of their noses, a word about sausage-making.

Yes. Sausage-making.

Because what they're doing in Washington — with all their hot shouting, blistering virtue-signaling and scorching shrieks and national temperature-raising over the government shutdown — is unfortunately being called sausage-making.

Here's a fact check: Screaming and shouting and encouraging the media into the usual, bleating hysterics isn't sausage-making.

Some dumb politician — or maybe a crooked journalist who never held an honest job in a meat cooler — made up that idiotic cliché about politics being like sausage-making years ago.

But I've stood for hours in a freezing meat cooler, sawdust at my feet, making sausage for my father at our family supermarket. I wasn't alone.

Spending hours pushing spiced meats and various fats through a grinder is excellent training for political journalism.

If you keep your head clear and cold, you won't lose a hand. And if you concentrate, you'll make the customer happy.

A butcher wants it cold to work the meat. But politicians want things hot. Clearly, they know nothing of good sausage.

And so here we are, with Republican President Donald Trump and his two Democratic foils, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, seemingly trying to make sausage in public but making a steaming hash of it all.

The meat: Trump wants \$5.6 billion federal money for a wall on the southern border. Schumer and Pelosi, who've supported border barriers in the past, now say the president is all about "fearmongering" and that a wall is "immoral." Trump shuts down the government.

The fat: Predictably, the media freaks out, with liberal pundits insisting that

what's going on along the southern border isn't a crisis, just Trumpian rhetoric. But then many of the same geniuses told us that the caravan coming up from Central America wasn't real, until it was.

The casing: Pelosi and Schumer want Trump to capitulate and reopen the government, and after that's done and he's given away any leverage, they promise they'll continue negotiating on border security.

If Trump and the Republicans believe that Schumer and Pelosi will negotiate on border security after Trump caves on a shutdown, the Republicans are dumber than liberal pundits insist.

The spice: There could be a compromise in all of this, but U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and the rest of the hard political left aren't really interested in compromise. They're interested in power and pushing the Democratic establishment types out of the way.

Perhaps this is why an old-timer like Pelosi has that bothersome "Eyes Wide Shut" expression, as if staring into headlights. But I wonder if she sees anything at all.

The last thing the Democrats want from all of this is something Trump mentioned in his speech from the Oval Office the other night: In terms of jobs and wages, unskilled African-American workers are vulnerable to economic pressure from undocumented immigrants. They compete for the same jobs.

But that's not discussed much, is it? Ever ask yourself why?

And all those fats, meat, spices and casings aside, the three of them, Donald, Nancy and Chuck, met on Wednesday, and Trump didn't like what he heard and stormed off.

"Just left a meeting with Chuck and Nancy, a total waste of time," Trump tweeted shortly afterward. "I asked what is going to happen in 30 days if I quickly open things up, are you going to approve Border Security which includes a Wall or Steel Barrier?" he continued. "Nancy said, NO. I said bye-bye, nothing else works!"

Pelosi responded by using the P-word, calling Trump a "petulant

president."

"The president stomped out of the meeting when he said to me, 'Will you support a wall?' And I said no," Pelosi said. "Now they're trying to mischaracterize what he actually said. But that's par for the course with going to the White House.

"You cannot come to a conclusion if the president of the United States says, 'My way or the highway, there's nothing to negotiate, either agree with me or it's over.'"

The pot said what, Nancy?

There is, of course a compromise here: Trump wants border security. And I think most Americans want it too.

Schumer and other Democrats aren't in a winning position here. Democrats were once quite eloquent and forceful in their rhetoric to stopping illegal immigration, but now they've recalculated and see Latinos as a new power base, and so they call for "comprehensive immigration reform."

Fair enough.

We can't have any sort of comprehensive reform without addressing the hundreds of thousands of young immigrants brought to this country illegally by their parents, who themselves crossed the American border illegally.

They're the Dreamers. They want to legally call America home. Why not let them stay?

If they're not in criminal gangs or possessed of violent criminal records, the Dreamers should be given legal residency. That's what Trump and the Republicans should offer the Democrats.

And in exchange, Democrats should give Trump and the Republicans the \$5.6 billion for the wall.

This is called compromise. Remember the word?

It's what Americans have proven they can do, when they're not ruining the sausage for everybody.

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Trump's wall-to-wall lies hitting wall as he wails



REX W. HUPPKE

President Donald Trump forced his way onto network television Tuesday night and delivered an address that looked for all the world like an unfunny "Saturday Night Live" skit aimed at mocking President Donald Trump.

His voice droned. He sniffed and sniffed. He squinted at the teleprompter, sleepily delivering lies about immigration and immigrants and the ludicrous border wall he will never see built.

The wall will pay for itself! (Nonsense.)

There's a crisis at our border! (Apprehensions at the U.S.-Mexico border are far below their historic highs of the early 2000s, according to Customs and Border Protection, and the only crisis is the one Trump's administration created by separating asylum seekers from their children.)

Illegal aliens are violent and a threat to our safety! (Boilerplate xenophobic rhetoric easily debunked by data that have repeatedly shown immigrants living in the U.S. illegally commit crimes at rates far lower than U.S. citizens.)

The fact-checking could go on and on, but it gets tiresome. Even Trump seemed bored of the lies he was spouting during a prime-time address from the Oval Office, and he carried the look of a man who knows he's losing. A man who wished he were doing something else, like golfing at taxpayer expense or hobnobbing with wealthy pals or having his ego pumped up at a campaign rally by the cheering fans he conned into thinking he could actually deliver a wall.

He can't. He won't. Setting aside the absurdity, offensiveness and impracticality of a more than 1,000-mile-long edifice to Trump's ego, there isn't enough support for a wall, nor is there money for such a pointless project.

The Trump-induced government shutdown is dragging on, hurting working Americans and, with each passing day, increasing the pressure on Republican law-



CARLOS BARRIA/AP

President Donald Trump gives an address on border security from the Oval Office on Tuesday with the look of a man who knows he's losing.

Even Donald Trump seemed bored of the lies he was spouting ... and he carried the look of a man who knows he's losing.

makers to turn on the president and vote with Democrats to reopen the government.

So what did Tuesday night's address to the nation accomplish? Zilch.

The loyal Trumpists who believe every word the president speaks and know in their hearts that a big, beautiful wall — or maybe a sleek steel-slat barrier! — will soon rise from the Texas desert and keep them safe from marauding hordes of bloodthirsty immigrants are still just as sure as

ever that everything's going according to plan.

But everyone else saw a man who will never admit failure looking a lot like he knows he has failed.

The New York Times reported late Tuesday on an off-the-record lunch Trump held with television anchors just hours before he gave the address, with two sources telling the newspaper that Trump "was not inclined to give the speech" or take his planned Thursday trip to the Texas border. The sources said Trump saw the Texas trip as nothing more than a photo opportunity.

I don't think Trump has ever cared a bit about immigration or protecting the border. I don't think he gives a whip about who comes in or where or how or why they enter the country.

The wall, for our narcissist in chief, has never been more than an abstraction, something large and impressive-sounding he

could use to get the people who like him excited. I doubt its functionality or purpose has any meaning to him. It simply became a part of his nationalist brand, an idea that was fun to toss around in a crowded auditorium, like a giant beach ball at a concert.

But now that the government is shut down and Trump's temper tantrum isn't swaying Democrats in Congress one bit, that fun, giant bouncing ball of an idea isn't feeling so fun to our self-serving president.

What Trump needed, in the wake of Democrats winning back the House of Representatives and special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation closing in on him, was a distraction. The focus had to move away from all the people in his inner circle who were flipping or being sentenced to prison time, and he — the Donald — had to grab the spotlight.

So he fell back on the part of his presidential brand he thought

he could always count on: The Wall!

But it backfired. It stopped being fun. It required Trump to do a televised speech he didn't want to do, and now he'll have to fly down to the border and pretend to care.

He doesn't care. The wall has never been more than an applause line. And now it's nothing more than a Trumpian attempt to distract from other things that might make Trump look bad.

It's not working. It's just adding to the things making Trump look bad.

You could see it on the president's face Tuesday night as he squinted at the American people and delivered the divisive, dishonest words that others fed him.

He looked like he knows the con isn't working. Like he just figured out that the fall guy is him.

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Chicago Tribune CHICAGOLAND

Madigan vilifies Rauner as Dems bolster numbers in Springfield

New legislators and some old faces take sworn into office

BY MIKE RIOPELL
AND JUAN PEREZ JR.
Chicago Tribune

SPRINGFIELD — As Democrats bolstered their numbers in Springfield on Wednesday ahead of Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker's inauguration next week, Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan tried to urge cooperation while vilifying Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner on his way out the door.

Madigan, the longest serving House speaker in American history, won the gavel again Wednesday as a new class of lawmakers was sworn into office. Senate President John Cullerton was easily elected, too, capping a blue wave in November that helped give the Democratic Party near total control of state government once Pritzker is sworn in Monday.

Rauner and Madigan sparred for much of the last four years, as the governor sought support for his pro-business agenda and the clash led to a historic two-year budget stalemate. On the campaign trail, Rauner spent years and millions of dollars working to blame Madigan for most of the state's ills.

"Four long years of character assassination. Four long years of personal vilification. Four long years of strident negotiating positions, also known as 'my way or the highway,'" Madigan said.

"Some might say, as we put an end to these last four years, 'Let's just close the book,'" the speaker said. "As we do move beyond these last four years, let's not just talk in terms of closing the book. Rather, let's think in terms of closing one chapter of the book, (and) take lessons from that chapter so we can move to a new chapter where people work with people."

Just one Democrat, new state Rep. Anne Stava-Murray of Naperville, didn't vote for Madigan for speaker. Swearing him in was outgoing Attorney General Lisa Madigan, the speaker's daughter.

"Congratulations," she said. "You're the speaker again."

House Republican leader Jim Durkin of Western Springs also won re-election, and he reflected on Madigan's new term with a quote from baseball legend Yogi Berra.

"It's deja vu, all over again," Durkin quipped.

But he pledged the GOP would act in "good will and good faith" with Democrats, and asked the same from the speaker's caucus.

"All of our constituents throughout the state deserve better than we have given them in recent memory," Durkin said. "They are losing faith in Illinois, our government and our future here. We must — as a General Assembly, as a state — stop looking only toward the next election."

Eyes will turn now to



RICH SAAL/AP

Gov. Bruce Rauner greets the escort committee at the Senate swearing in of the 101st General Assembly on Wednesday at the Capitol in Springfield.

1 Democrat doesn't vote for Madigan as House speaker

BY MIKE RIOPELL
Chicago Tribune

One Illinois House Democratic lawmaker didn't vote for House Speaker Michael Madigan on Wednesday, a relatively rare occurrence during his long tenure in Springfield.

State Rep. Anne Stava-Murray of Naperville voted "present." She had promised to do so and campaigned by touting she hadn't taken money from Madigan.

The speaker didn't end up needing the vote. The rest of the House's 73 Democrats voted for him, and House Republican leader Jim Durkin was re-elected, too. M

Madigan is the nation's longest-serving speaker, has held the top House post for all but two years since 1983. He began his 49th year in the legislature



Stava-Murray

Wednesday.

Even before Stava-Murray was sworn in to her first Illinois House term on Wednesday, she announced she'd challenge U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin in 2020. She has started referring to Durbin as "my opponent" on social media.

Stava-Murray defeated Republican David Olsen of Downers Grove as Democrats picked up seats on the heels of President Donald Trump's relative unpopularity in the suburbs.

She's not the first to pass on voting for Madigan as speaker. Two years ago, then-state Rep. Scott Drury voted "present" rather than vote for him.

At the time, Drury said he did not receive an engraved desk clock from Madigan like the rest of his House Democratic colleagues.

Pritzker, who attended the House ceremony. He takes over state government from Rauner on Monday facing big challenges. Illinois has a \$74 billion pile of unpaid bills. Rebuilding roads and bridges will cost money. Payments for state worker and teacher retirements keeps going up. And that's not to mention unexpected challenges any governor faces, such as natural disasters and changing political winds.

Rauner, meanwhile, presided over the Senate's inaugural ceremony as outgoing Mayor Rahm Emanuel sat in the front row. The governor was applauded as he left the chamber afterward, perhaps for the last time.

"We may have had our differences, from time to time, but you took on a challenge when others merely complain from the sidelines," Cullerton said to Rauner. "Thank you, and I wish you and your family the best."

Senate Democrats have a 40-19 majority, such a big margin that some of them have to sit on the Republican side of the aisle because there aren't enough desks on their side.

Cullerton and re-elected Senate Republican leader Bill Brady of Bloomington also spoke of cooperation. But the Democratic leader's speech also touched on some points where the two parties almost certainly will clash in the coming months

and years, despite all of Wednesday's talk of togetherness.

"It's about doing things like providing a living wage for honest work, because I think the employers of this state value their workers just as much as workers value their jobs," Cullerton said. "And we want both to succeed. Raising the minimum wage is the right thing to do. And if you got all the way to the Illinois Senate and can't do what's right, what was the point, right?"

Brady, a former candidate for governor, also talked of trying to work with Cullerton and noted as many speakers did the 2017 changes to the state's school funding formula.

"Inaugurations are an important opportunity to turn the page to a fresh start and to find common ground on the important issues facing Illinois," Brady said.

The new 101st Illinois General Assembly comes with significant turnover. The last two years of partisan fights, budget wars and tough elections mean about 30 percent of the lawmakers who took the oath on Wednesday were different from the person who sat in the same seat two years ago.

Several Republicans who voted to raise income taxes in 2017 didn't run for re-election again, and some big names left for other reasons — with several departures robbing the General Assembly of some of its most influential women.

Former Senate Republican leader Christine Radogno stepped aside just before the budget stalemate was resolved. Madigan's top deputy, Barbara Flynn Currie, didn't run for re-election. Juliana Stratton will be sworn in as lieutenant governor in less than a week. And state Rep. Jeanne Ives of Wheaton won't return after her narrow loss in the Republican gubernatorial primary to Rauner.

Madigan on Wednesday opened his remarks by asking for prayers for Currie, who he said checked into a hospital after feeling ill while traveling to Chicago.

The mood for the inauguration, though, was generally festive.

The ornate Senate chamber was packed with lawmakers' families applauding each other. Vases of colorful flowers sat on desks, and bunting hung from the gallery where spectators watch the proceedings. A mariachi band waited in a

"All of our constituents throughout the state deserve better than we have given them in recent memory. They are losing faith in Illinois, our government and our future here."

— House Republican leader Jim Durkin

hallway behind the Senate chamber after the ceremony.

And though both parties at times talked of togetherness, the next two years Democrats will have the votes and a governor to do what they want without Republican input if they stick together. In his speech, Cullerton referenced Democrats' 40 senators to Republicans' 19, a margin so big it's known as a supermajority.

"To leader Brady, congratulations. The Republican caucus chose wisely in turning to you for leadership," Cullerton said. "You're going to be, and I really mean this, a super minority leader these next two years."

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Ex-state Rep. Nick Sauer resigned in August.

Former state rep indicted in sex photo case

Accused of posting pictures online without permission

BY EMILY K. COLEMAN
News-Sun

Former state Rep. Nick Sauer has been charged with 12 felonies for allegedly posting private sexual photos of two people online without their permission,

according to the Lake County state's attorney's office.

A Lake County grand jury handed down the indictment Wednesday morning, according to a news release. Sauer's attorney has told prosecutors that Sauer will turn himself in Thursday morning, according to the release.

The first-term Republican from Lake Barrington

resigned in August as a result of the allegations made by a former girlfriend which had been reported that day by Politico.

The woman accused Sauer of posting nude photos of her on an Instagram account he opened under a false name, according to Politico's story. The accusations reportedly were detailed in complaints filed with the Chicago Police

Department and the state legislative inspector general.

A spokeswoman for the Lake County state's attorney's office said she could neither confirm nor deny whether the woman was one of the two people whose photos underlie Wednesday's indictment.

News of the indictment broke as the Illinois House was in Springfield swearing

in a new class of lawmakers.

The Lake County state's attorney's office began its investigation in late July after being contacted by Illinois Legislative Inspector General Julie Porter, according to its statement.

Multiple attempts to reach Sauer on Wednesday were unsuccessful.

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Daley proposes massive CPS overhaul

Mayor candidate: Cut school councils from more than 500 to 60

BY JUAN PEREZ JR.
Chicago Tribune

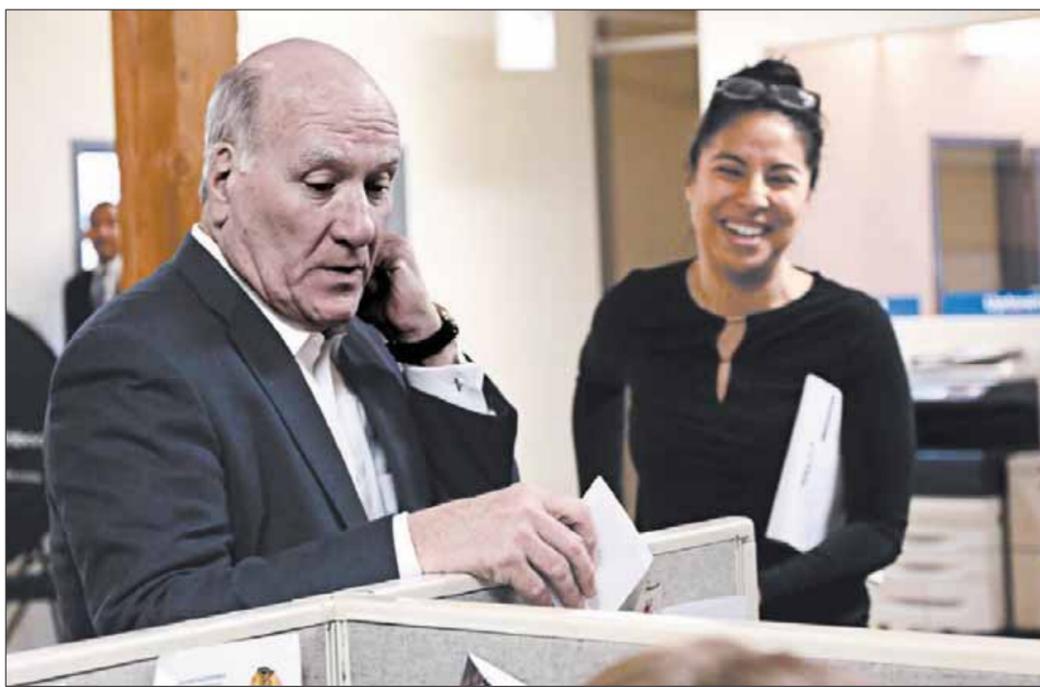
Mayoral candidate Bill Daley called for a series of complex overhauls to Chicago Public Schools this week, as he advanced a government-shrinking policy agenda that included plans to slash the City Council's ranks and constrict its remaining members' power.

On Thursday, the former U.S. commerce secretary and heir to a Chicago political dynasty offered to replace a CPS school council system that empowers parents and community members at many district-run campuses to hire principals, supervise school budgets and set dress codes.

Daley instead hopes to install as many as 60 "neighborhood school councils" that have similar authority but oversee eight to 12 school campuses at once instead of just one. He'd also change the city's system for automatically assigning students to certain schools in their neighborhoods if they don't elect to attend class elsewhere in the city. There are more than 500 local school councils in the city today.

That idea arrived days after Daley floated a plan to combine the school district's enormous government with the City Colleges of Chicago system under the authority of a single administration — then offer free community college to all CPS high school graduates.

Representatives from the new neighborhood councils would be eligible for seats alongside mayoral appointees on a city board Daley would assign to the unusual



Mayor candidate Bill Daley talks with campaign staff following a brief press conference at on Wednesday.

primary, secondary and post-secondary school government his camp billed as "the nation's first pre-K-14 school system."

"Only government is structured basically how it was 80 or 90 years ago," Daley told the Tribune this week. "All I'm saying is, we have to look at some of these things. We can't be afraid to make some changes."

That's a lot of change for a CPS system already responsible for multibillion-dollar budgets and hundreds of thousands of schoolchildren. Plus, to accomplish such expansive overhauls, Daley would likely need the support of state lawmakers and Gov.-elect J.B. Pritzker — not to mention a list of answers for what the candidate acknowledges are missing details about his

ideas. "I don't underestimate the difficulty of convincing people that we've got to stop doing things the way we've been doing them if we want a different result. I understand that, and I understand the political system is often very slow to make changes," Daley said.

"But, the definition of insanity is that if you keep doing the same thing and think you're going to get a different result, that's generally what happens."

Here's the heart of the problem, according to Daley: Too few students graduate from high school and go on to obtain two- or four-year college degrees. Too many students travel far from their homes to attend elementary or high school.

Daley said his plans for

city education offer one way to advance the debate about how to solving those problems.

State laws enacted amid past CPS fiscal crises established the city's local school councils, with the intent of making each campus the core of decision-making by parents, community residents, teachers and administrators.

But by slashing the number of councils and making the remaining groups responsible for entire neighborhood school ecosystems, Daley sees a new path to having community members decide how to prioritize scarce resources and solve problems such as empty school buildings.

And while Daley has not backed the concept of a fully elected Chicago Board of

Education like some of his rivals, the former White House chief of staff sees the new neighborhood councils as a way to bring community input to the administrative ranks of his CPS-City Colleges hybrid.

"I believe the mayor must have skin in the game for education, because that's the future of the city. On the other hand, I get the need for bottom-up participation. There is no real evidence that (with) an elected school board, the education of the children is any better than an appointed school board, but I get the need," he said.

Much of Daley's rhetoric behind his proposed merger of CPS and the City Colleges builds on initiatives spurred by Mayor Rahm Emanuel, including the STAR Scholarship program that offers

low-income public school students free tuition at City Colleges if they have a B average, and have applied for federal and state financial aid.

Bringing the two systems together would present new challenges. For example, more than 40 percent of the City Colleges' funds for day-to-day expenses this year come from property taxes the school system is authorized to collect.

CPS collects its own tax revenue, but Daley said he doesn't want to leave City Colleges revenue on the table. It's also not clear how the college system would absorb CPS' burdensome pension and debt loads.

"Do I have all the details worked out on how this exactly would work? No. But I do think it's important that we begin to talk about and look at this. We all know the difficulties in the results of our education system," Daley said.

Daley's plans for the City Colleges have also drawn fire from the Chicago Teachers Union, as the powerful labor group backs Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's candidacy. Union President Jesse Sharkey described the idea as "one of the more ridiculous ideas we've heard in recent memory."

"His plan to combine Chicago Public Schools and the City College of Chicago is the kind of tone deaf proposal you hear at thousand-dollar-a-plate dinners frequented by the donors supporting his campaign, and would add multiple layers of bureaucracy to two systems already struggling under their own weight," Sharkey said of Daley's proposal this week.

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Preckwinkle's first TV ad focuses on Laquan McDonald

BY BILL RUTHHART
Chicago Tribune

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle is poised to start airing the first TV ad of her mayoral campaign, and it is focused on the most tumultuous moment of Mayor Rahm Emanuel's current tenure — the police shooting death of Laquan McDonald.

According to a copy of the ad obtained by the Tribune, Preckwinkle positions herself as an early voice of concern about the McDonald shooting. Her campaign points to the fact that she released the black teen's autopsy after he was shot 16 times by white Officer Jason Van Dyke, who last year was convicted of second-degree murder for the shooting.

Preckwinkle is scheduled to begin airing the ad this week, as her campaign seeks to regain its footing after spending much of the last week rocked by her ties to the Ald. Edward Burke corruption scandal.

The ad begins with some of the police dashcam footage of McDonald walking down a darkened Pulaski Road moments before his body was riddled with bullets.

"Sixteen shots, nine in the back," a narrator says at the start of the ad. "Facts that the police and city officials tried to bury."

The spot then shows footage of Emanuel and former police Superintendent Garry McCarthy at a news conference.

"It was Toni who made sure Laquan McDonald's autopsy went public. Toni who called for the dashcam footage to be released," the ad continues, showing images of Preckwinkle at a made-for-TV news conference. "Toni demanded the police chief be fired, and helped oust the state's attorney for not doing her job."

Preckwinkle's campaign said it will spend \$750,000 to air the spot on broadcast and cable television beginning Thursday.

The spot is a unique introductory ad in the

sense that it seeks to establish Preckwinkle's credibility on a high-profile topic by in essence attacking what Emanuel's administration and the Chicago Police Department did not do in the wake of the McDonald shooting. About a week after a Cook County judge ordered Emanuel to release the dashcam video of the shooting, the mayor fired McCarthy, who also is running for mayor.

On the same day Emanuel finally released the video, then-State's Attorney Anita Alvarez charged Van Dyke with murder — more than a year after the November 2014 shooting on a Southwest Side street. That, combined with the fact that Emanuel's administration and aldermen agreed to pay a \$5 million settlement to the McDonald family before a lawsuit was even filed, led to accusations of a City Hall cover-up, calls for Emanuel's resignation and weeks of street protests.

Emanuel made the surprise announcement not to seek a third term in September, just days before the Van Dyke trial began.

Preckwinkle's ad references the release of the McDonald autopsy by the Cook County medical examiner, an office that falls under her purview as the county's chief executive. On Nov. 30, 2015 — the day before Emanuel fired McCarthy — Preckwinkle called for both McCarthy and Alvarez to be ousted. At the time, Preckwinkle was backing her former chief of staff Kim Foxx, who went on to defeat Alvarez in the March 2016 Democratic primary.

Less clear, though, is how vocal Preckwinkle had been about demanding that dashcam footage of the video be released. Unlike her comments about McCarthy and Alvarez, Preckwinkle's ad did not cite supporting information for when she called for the video's release.

After the Tribune contacted the Preckwinkle campaign about the ad, it released a statement that included a vote of confi-



Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle speaks in a mayoral campaign ad in a clip obtained by the Tribune.

"It was Toni who made sure Laquan McDonald's autopsy went public."

— Claim made in planned Preckwinkle TV ad

dence from McDonald's great uncle, the Rev. Marvin Hunter. "I have full confidence that Toni is the right person to lead our city forward," Hunter said in the statement.

Preckwinkle's debut on the airwaves comes seven weeks out from the Feb. 26 mayoral election, where 15 candidates are vying to replace Emanuel. Preckwinkle is considered one of the front-runners, given her stature as not only the County Board president, but chair of the Cook County Democratic Party.

The release of the ad comes as Preckwinkle has had to deal with the fallout of her tangential ties to federal authorities charging Burke, the city's longest-serving and most powerful alderman, with attempted extortion. Investigators last week alleged Burke shook down the owners of a Burger King in his ward for a campaign contribution and tax appeals business at his private law firm in exchange for approving permits for the restaurant.

The Tribune has reported the contribution was intended for Preckwinkle, who has denied any knowledge of Burke's actions to obtain the contribution. Preckwinkle has said she returned the \$10,000 contribution because it exceeded the state limits for a contribution from an individual donor.

The criminal complaint against Burke, however, said the politician since identified as Preckwinkle kept \$5,600 of the donation. Preckwinkle has not been accused of wrongdoing.

The Cook County Board president follows other mayoral candidates Bill Daley, Gery Chico and Willie Wilson in airing TV ads.

To date, Preckwinkle has raised \$2.75 million for her mayoral bid, including an additional \$500,000 from Service Employees International Union that she reported Wednesday morning. SEIU, which has endorsed Preckwinkle, has been her largest financial backer to date, contributing nearly \$1.9 million.

Also starting to air her first TV ad of the campaign this week is Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza, who launched one about reducing crime that touches on her personal history in the Little Village neighborhood.

"A murder on our block. My family forced to leave. It's my story and it's Chicago's story," Mendoza says in the ad. "But it's time to write a new chapter."

An announcer says Mendoza's plan "addresses the root causes of violence" and she plans to hire more detectives. Mendoza then declares, "We can reduce gun violence, and we will."

Daley, meanwhile, was releasing a new 30-second ad in which he plays up his time in the Obama administration and calls for a focus on Chicago's neighborhoods, which are "too often left out of the Loop's prosperity."

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Preckwinkle's other campaign takes flak

Formal complaint alleges election law was breached

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

A formal complaint was lodged against Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's campaign committee Wednesday, alleging it did not properly report a \$10,000 contribution that federal authorities have alleged Ald. Edward Burke illegally solicited from a business owner in his ward.

The complaint, filed by Jesus Martinez, alleges Preckwinkle's county campaign committee violated election law by not reporting the contribution within five business days after it was received in January 2018 and by not reporting that the campaign had subsequently returned the money. It's not clear whether Martinez, who was listed on the complaint with a Chicago address, is affiliated with a political campaign, and he could not immediately be reached for comment.

The complaint filed with the Illinois State Board of Elections and obtained by the Tribune, also alleges Preckwinkle did not provide enough proof that the committee returned the \$10,000 contribution to the donor.

State Board of Elections spokesman Matt Dietrich confirmed the complaint was filed.

"We will be scheduling a closed preliminary hearing, after which a hearing officer will make a recommendation to our board," Dietrich said. "The board will then hear the case at a monthly board meeting."

Federal authorities last week charged Burke with attempted extortion. In the criminal complaint, authorities accused Burke of shaking down a restaurant magnate for a financial contribution to Preckwinkle's campaign. At the time, Preckwinkle was running for re-election as County Board president, and now she's running for mayor.

Preckwinkle's mayoral campaign said she personally didn't know about the

donation or the alleged extortion efforts. She has not been accused of wrongdoing.

Her campaign did not immediately comment on the filing with the state elections board.

Prosecutors alleged Burke illegally solicited a \$10,000 campaign contribution for an unnamed politician from restaurant company executives in December 2017. Sources familiar with the investigation said the campaign contribution was intended for Preckwinkle, and the executives owned a Burger King at 4060 S. Pulaski Road, the Tribune reported. According to the criminal complaint, the politician since identified as Preckwinkle kept \$5,600 of the donation and did not report the contribution to state election officials. State law requires all political contributions to be reported by candidates.

Burke has yet to enter a plea, but his attorney, Charles Sklarsky, said the allegations were meritless.

Preckwinkle's campaign confirmed the donor was Shoukat Dhanani, the CEO of Tri City Foods, which owns the Burger King franchise in Burke's ward in addition to hundreds of other fast-food locations across the country. The campaign said it received a \$10,000 contribution from Dhanani but returned the entire amount because it was over the state contribution limit of \$5,600 for an individual.

The campaign said records from its bank, software company and internal database all showed the entire \$10,000 had been returned but declined to make the records public. Preckwinkle's campaign also released a screen shot of a credit card transaction from its financial software, showing a \$10,000 donation from Dhanani being deposited and a credit back to the same account six days later.

Preckwinkle amended her campaign report with state officials last week to reflect the year-old contribution and refund, as required by law.

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Screen that report on screen time guidelines really carefully



HEIDI STEVENS
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"Little evidence that screen time is harmful for kids, say doctors," announced the CNN headline — the kid equivalent of those "Red wine helps you live forever" headlines that adults love so much.

Vindicated!
Not so fast, says Chicago pediatrician Scott Goldstein, instructor of clinical pediatrics at the Northwestern University School of Medicine.

New guidance released by the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH), a pediatricians group in the United Kingdom, says that while screen time has been linked to obesity, mental health problems, heart disease and poor academic performance, "the evidence base for a direct 'toxic' effect has always been contested."

"We cannot be sure that these links are causal," RCPCH member Max

Davie said in a statement, "or if other factors are causing both negative health outcomes and higher screen time."

I called Goldstein, a pediatrician at the Northwestern Children's Practice, on Tuesday night to get his take.

"No evidence that screens are harmful" is the headline coming out of this," he said, "but that's not what they're saying at all."

The British group does avoid setting hard-and-fast screen-time limits for children.

Instead, the doctors say, parents should negotiate limits on phones, tablets and TVs based on their kids' individual needs.

"They're saying there's not enough evidence to put a specific number of hours on how much screen time your kids should have," Goldstein said. "That's basically what we say now. There are so many different ways kids use screens and so many different ways families use screens."

And they're not all equally good or bad for you.

"People ask all the time, 'What's the limit for

screens?' " Goldstein said. "If you spend Friday night watching 'Planet Earth' documentaries for three hours, that's a lot different from putting your kids in front of YouTube and watching an hour of unboxing videos. It's not the time; it's what you're doing with the time."

Still, Goldstein said, the British report addressed two points that he'd like to see families adopt as hard-and-fast rules: No screens for an hour before bed, and no screens during meals.

"There are plenty of studies that show the use of screens before bed has a negative impact on sleep," he said. "Most kids and most adults don't get enough sleep and don't get good quality sleep."

Research also shows, he said, that eating in front of a screen can block the message to your brain that you're full, which can lead to overeating. Plus, screens rob families of invaluable connecting-around-the-table time.

"That's actually my No. 1 thing for families," Goldstein said. "If you can do one thing, do family meals. It's such a key thing in terms of communicating

and talking to your kids and teaching them to communicate with people face-to-face."

If people take away one lesson from the new British guidelines, I asked Goldstein, what should it be?

"It's about how you use screens and how you talk as a family about screens," he said. "Not the specific number of hours you spend on screens."

"It's like people want to know, 'How much should I weigh?' he said. "It's not really how much you should weigh. There are so many factors there. Numbers don't mean much when it comes to health."

Goldstein and pediatrician Rebecca Unger will lead a discussion, "iScreen, You Screen, Wii All Screen: A Family Guide to Media Usage" at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 16 at the Northwestern Children's Practice, 680 N. Lake Shore Drive.

Join the Heidi Stevens Balancing Act Facebook group, where she hosts live chats every Wednesday at noon.

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Sex assault charges for ex-charter school coach

2 girls on W. Side basketball team allegedly molested

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

A basketball coach at a charter school on Chicago's West Side has been charged with sexually assaulting and molesting two underage female team members on repeated occasions at the school and elsewhere.

Jamel Helaire-Jones had sexual contact on multiple occasions with the two girls, ages 17 and 14 to 15 over the course of the assaults, Cook County prosecutors said Wednesday.

Assistant State's Attorney Nancee Hofheimer said Helaire-Jones, 34, initiated the sex acts in his car and at Legal Prep Charter Academy, including in the gymnasium and locker room.

Judge Mary Marubio ordered that Helaire-Jones be held without bail on two counts of criminal sexual assault.

In addition to coaching basketball, he acted as a "disciplinarian" at Chicago's only legal-themed high school located at 4319 W. Washington Blvd., Hofheimer said.

The school became aware of the incidents in November after rumors circulated. Chicago police conducted an investigation.

On Jan. 2, officers spotted Helaire-Jones near Chicago and Leamington avenues, but he took off running, Hofheimer said. Police gave chase for about five blocks but lost him. He turned himself in about a week later, she said.

Helaire-Jones has been convicted of a felony robbery charge in Michigan and has twice been arrested for domestic battery in Illinois, but both cases were dismissed, Hofheimer said.

A statement from Legal Prep CEO Rather Stanton said the school "took immediate action to notify the appropriate authorities" and removed Helaire-Jones from his position after learning of the allegations.

"Legal Prep is working closely with the affected students and families to ensure they receive the support they need at this critical time," according to the statement.

Asked if Legal Prep knew of Helaire-Jones' criminal history at the time of his hiring, Stanton would only say that the school conducts background checks of all its employees. He also declined to say for how long Helaire-Jones worked there.

Helaire-Jones' attorney said he has been working for a moving company since his dismissal from the school.

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'Crooked Joe' campaign flyers prompt lawsuit

GOP clerk: Chicago Dems secretly tried to sway election

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

Raising the stakes in an ongoing political dispute, the McHenry County clerk filed suit Tuesday against two Chicago Democratic political consultants, claiming they defamed him by labeling him "Crooked Joe Tirio."

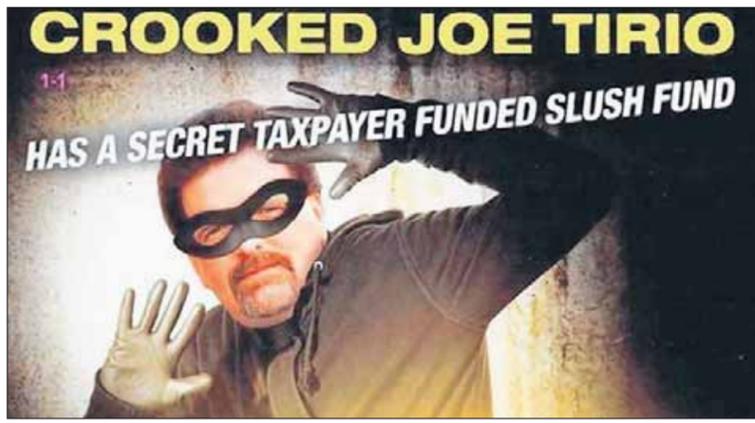
The lawsuit also names County Board Chairman Jack Franks as a "respondent in discovery" — raising the possibility of him being added as a defendant later.

The "crooked" claim was emblazoned on eye-catching campaign flyers that depicted Tirio in a burglar's mask and caught in a "gotcha" spotlight. They claimed he had a "secret taxpayer funded slush fund" and used tax dollars to go on vacation.

The claims were not substantiated, but the flyers were mailed to possibly thousands of homes before the Republican primary election in March 2018. Tirio defeated his opponent, Janice Dalton, and won the seat in November.

Tirio went to court and waged a months-long legal fight to learn who was behind the flyers.

Dalton claimed ignorance and eventually was released from the court action. But last month — only after a judge held him in contempt of court and was prepared to jail him — the president of the company that printed the flyers named Chicago Demo-



MCHENRY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

McHenry County Clerk Joe Tirio filed a lawsuit claiming two Democratic political consultants defamed him by labeling him "Crooked Joe Tirio."

cratic political operatives Michael Noonan and Sean Tenner as those behind the mailing.

Richard Lewandowski of Breaker Press Co. added under questioning: "I have reason to believe Jack Franks was involved."

Franks, a rare Democrat elected to a countywide office in McHenry County, is a longtime associate of Noonan, who is partner at the Roosevelt Group consulting firm, which has helped run political campaigns for Franks. Noonan is a former aide of Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan and former campaign manager for Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan. Tenner also has worked on campaigns for Lisa Madigan.

Campaign spending records show that last spring, the Supporters of Jack D. Franks political organization paid KNI Communications, Tenner's consulting firm, \$19,500 for data

support, fundraising expenses and digital, social media and email advertising.

Tenner denied any involvement with the flyers, saying in a prepared statement: "I did not — nor did anyone with my firm — write, design, print, mail or pay for the mailers in question."

Tenner said all the work he did for Franks at that time was to promote a property tax cut that Franks championed.

The flyers stated they were from the Illinois Integrity Fund, but apparently no such group was registered with the state Board of Elections or reported any such expenditure, as would be required by law if more than \$5,000 was spent.

Kevin Lampe, a public relations representative for Tenner, added that Tenner never worked for the Illinois Integrity Fund.

Franks and Noonan did

not respond to repeated requests for comment.

Being named a "respondent in discovery" in the lawsuit means that Franks could be compelled to supply documents or other materials to Tirio's lawyers and that Franks could be added later as a defendant.

In a preliminary ruling in the previous legal action by Tirio, McHenry County Associate Judge Kevin Costello found that the flyers' statements were "defamatory," but that was not a final ruling on liability.

To prove defamation, public officials must show that the statements were false, damaging to their reputations and made with "actual malice," meaning those who made the statements knew they were false or recklessly disregarded the truth.

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Trying not to drown as shutdown drags on

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Targos said that along with fellow furloughed workers, contractors they work with won't be able to continue their work. She's also concerned about construction projects that could be pushed into 2020 after a late start.

"The people I work with are so proud to do this work to protect human health and the environment the best that we can," she said. "What kind of job do we do? We work for the public interest. We'd have to go into a different sector."

Targos said she would have been in the office Tuesday. Instead, she went to O'Hare International Airport to stand in solidarity with other workers affected by the shutdown.

"I'm really concerned about what he's going to do tonight in his address," Targos said, about Trump's address to the nation planned for Tuesday night.

HUD civil rights investigator: Morgan Stewart came back from a holiday break but didn't return to work. Stewart, a civil rights investigator with the Department of Housing and Urban Development speaking on behalf of Local 911, won't receive a paycheck this week. And she's not sure when the next one will come.

"I'm lucky in that I'm married and my husband works," Stewart said. "When the shutdown happened, we were stressed out because we had spent money on travel and we knew this was coming up, and we were like, 'Well, crap, I hope this doesn't last long.'"

Stewart said she worked through their finances and found they could get by through January. One of her major concerns is her student loan debt from grad school, she said.

"After January, if the shutdown continues, that's when I'll have to start searching for some sort of temporary job position," Stewart said. "I'm not going to really be picky."

Stewart said that beyond the workers, the people she works to serve every day could be affected. Some vouchers for housing assistance could come into question after January, said Stewart, potentially leaving a number of low-income people in a precarious situation.

Stewart's office handles cases of discrimination — from race to sexual harassment.

"Those cases have been put on hold," Stewart said. "And they aren't moving forward. And if you look at something, especially like a sexual harassment case with an individual who is facing sexual harassment by a landlord or a repair person in their building, that means that they are living in a really scary living situation. And there may be no end in sight and no resolution in sight with the shutdown continuing."

McHenry County farmer: Michele Aavang has been at the helm of a McHenry County farm for decades. Over the years, she and her family built up equity on the farm where her late husband was born and raised, by growing corn, soybeans and wheat.

Aavang said the shutdown comes at a bad time for farmers, who are already reeling from tariffs on exports into China that were levied by the Chinese gov-



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Nicole Cantello, an EPA attorney and one of more than 800 employees in Region 5 now furloughed, says financial insecurity is eating at workers.



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Morgan Stewart, a civil rights investigator with HUD, doesn't know where her next check will come from in the shutdown.

"You just feel like you are in the middle of something that you have absolutely no control over."

— Nicole Cantello, who is a furloughed Environmental Protection Agency attorney

ernment in retaliation for tariffs imposed by the Trump administration on Chinese goods.

Farmers including Aavang have been able to offset the trade loss through aid provided by the government's Market Facilitation Program, but with the government shutdown, those payments have been held up and administration offices are shuttered, Aavang said.

Aavang will get by for the next few months, she said. But she worries about how the shutdown will affect younger farmers.

"I really worry about the younger guys that haven't been doing it so long, that may not have a nest egg to

be able to draw on," Aavang said. "I have a son who's a dairyman, he's 27. And it's people his age that I really worry about."

"2018 was a terrible year for us," she said. "With the loss of the trade, it's really kind of put us behind the eight ball. And farm income in general has just been down for the past five years. So it was terrible timing."

"Personally I applied mid-December and I haven't seen anything," Aavang said.

World supply-and-demand reports, which Aavang counts on to market her crops and plan her business for the future, have also been delayed, she said.

"It's really hard to run a business when there's so much uncertainty," Aavang said. "It's hard to talk to your banker and make any plan when you're not sure what you should be growing, what prices you'll be getting."

Aavang said she's still about three to four months away from planting.

"If you were to call me again in two, three months, if things aren't settled by then, it's really going to be trouble," she said. "We're business people just like any

other business people. And we need some sort of certainty, just to be able to plan ahead, to plan our business."

"We have to put up a lot of money, and then we're kind of at the mercy of Mother Nature," Aavang said. "We really just need some kind of certainty."

Immigrant deportation case: Martin Reyes Simon started the new year nervous, unable to eat and with a twitching eye.

Reyes Simon, 53, lives in a northwest suburb of Chicago and has been in legal limbo for the past eight years. He was a lawful permanent resident, but he was placed in deportation proceedings when the government denied his application to become a naturalized citizen because of local arrests, including a conviction in a domestic violence case.

Last Friday, his case had been scheduled for a final hearing in Chicago's immigration court, where a judge was expected to decide his future. He had heard about the government shutting down, but he thought judges would continue working so he assumed he was still going to court. It

wasn't until his attorney, Davina Campos, called him that he learned there was another layer of uncertainty surrounding his future.

Campos continued prepping for the hearing until late the night before, when a deal still hadn't been struck. No notice was ever sent for the specific case, and they don't know when Reyes Simon's case will be called before a judge. The U.S. Department of Justice in December issued a notice that immigration cases in which the person is not detained, such as Reyes Simon's, would be reset to when the government is funded again.

Campos thinks the case could be pushed back until 2022, based on when hearings were being set for before the shutdown.

"He'll now be going on a decade in proceedings," Campos said. "He's in deportation proceedings, he's in limbo, he can't travel. It's kind of just putting his life on hold."

It's been difficult waiting for the hearings, Reyes Simon said.

While his case has lingered, Reyes Simon stopped working because of medical problems. He's been para-

lyzed since 1993, when he was shot multiple times during an argument at a restaurant in Chicago's Ravenswood neighborhood.

With his case up in the air, Reyes Simon is worried U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers will come knocking on his door.

"I'm trusting in God and my attorney," Reyes Simon said in Spanish. "My attorney doesn't promise me anything, but she gives me hope."

EPA attorney: Nicole Cantello, who represents EPA employees as chief steward of the American Federation of Government Employees Local 704, said she was one of more than 800 employees in Region 5 who have been furloughed.

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."

Cantello said she also has to pay out-of-pocket for work-related travel expenses.

"Tons of people went on travel before the shutdown hit," she said.

That sounds like a little thing, Cantello said, but when you're getting paid half a paycheck — or not at all — "it all adds up to becoming financially insecure."

"Knowing that matters that you believe are pressing, that you want to protect folks from, are not being addressed, adds another level of anxiety for folks," she said. "You just feel like you are in the middle of something that you have absolutely no control over."

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Glen Ellyn police officer testifies about finding shallow grave

Discovered body of woman whose boyfriend is on trial

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The Glen Ellyn police officer who discovered the shallow grave of a homeless woman was the first witness Wednesday as the trial of her accused killer began in DuPage County court.

Jurors heard the prosecution's opening statement and the start of testimony in the murder trial of Myron Ester, 50, a homeless man charged with killing his

girlfriend, Linda Valez, and burying her body in a Glen Ellyn park in September 2013.

The first witness, police Sgt. Emmanuel Berger, said he went to Panfish Park on Sept. 28, 2013, in response to a missing person report filed by Valez's mother. The officer said he knew Valez from previous contacts, and that homeless people often gathered in a wooded area in the park.

As he looked around the wooded area, Berger said, he saw a path he did not recognize from previous visits.

"It looked like something

had been dragged through the woods to create this path," he testified.

He followed the path to an area of disturbed earth where the body of Valez, 33, was found buried facedown. She had been stabbed more than 30 times, authorities said.

In her opening statement, Assistant State's Attorney Amanda Meindl told jurors that they would hear evidence that placed Valez and Ester together on the night of Sept. 24 at a McDonald's where Valez had recently landed a job. It



Ester

was the last time she would be seen alive, Meindl said.

Prosecutors said that earlier that day, Ester bought a shovel at a hardware store and was seen walking toward the park. He later bought flowers at a grocery store and brought them to Valez at the fast-food restaurant, Meindl said.

About 2 a.m. Sept. 25, roughly three hours after he was seen with Valez, Ester showed up at a fire department station seeking treatment for a cut hand. He later made a statement to a

friend implicating himself in Valez's death, Meindl said.

The victim's mother, Gloria Araujo, and twin sister, Gloria Valez, testified Wednesday about how they searched parks and put up flyers, searching for Valez in the days after she was last seen. Araujo said she contacted Ester, who she knew was her daughter's boyfriend, several times over the period. During a phone call, Ester became agitated, Araujo said, and asked the mother to stop asking about Valez.

"He said he wanted to forget about her, just like

she had forgot about him," Araujo said.

Araujo said her daughter had mental health issues and was homeless by choice. Valez never mentioned that Ester had been abusive toward her during the months they had been a couple, the mother said.

Ester's attorneys will give their opening statement after the prosecution rests its case. In previous court filings, Ester's attorneys have said Valez was the initial aggressor in a confrontation that led to her death.

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Self defense a great defense of concealed carry



DAHLEEN GLANTON

It is easy to hate guns. There's not much about them to love — except when they save an innocent life.

Though the U.S. Supreme Court has confirmed every law-abiding American's right to own a firearm, most anti-gun people have never quite understood why anyone would want to walk around with one.

Perhaps it was because they didn't really want to understand it. On this politically polarizing issue, everyone has taken sides. People believe what they choose to believe about firearms, and they block out what anyone on the other side has to say.

Most of us have been guilty of that at one time or another.

But a shooting happened early Tuesday at a bus stop on the Far South Side of Chicago that might prompt us to look at guns in a new light. I, too, am a public transportation rider. That could have been me waiting on a bus that morning. It could have been anyone.

Video from a surveillance camera posted outside a store nearby shows a young woman standing underneath a bus shelter shortly before 6 a.m., apparently on her way to work.

The video shows her waiting unsuspectingly for the bus to arrive. Then, for some reason, the camera stops recording. When it

resumes, a young man is seen running away and the young woman getting up off the ground.

Nineteen-year-old Laavion Goings Jr. pulled a gun and tried to rob the woman, authorities said. There was a struggle. But she managed to pull out her own .38-caliber handgun and shoot him in the chest. Goings ran home a few blocks away and collapsed in the stairwell of his building. He died an hour later at a hospital.

According to authorities, the shooter was a 25-year-old woman. And lucky for her, she had a permit to carry a concealed weapon in Illinois.

When she obtained the license, it is unlikely that the woman ever thought she'd really have to use it, though she lives in a neighborhood where residents say such holdups are common. She probably never fathomed that she would end up shooting a teenager to death either. That is the last thing most people would ever want to do.

But in this case, she apparently had no choice. That's how the concealed carry law is supposed to work.

I have never doubted that the majority of people who go through the trouble of obtaining a license to legally carry a firearm in Illinois are decent and responsible. And in neighborhoods where violence is rampant, it makes sense.

Years of covering Illinois gun issues gave me a deep level of understanding — and respect — for the laws, even though I don't agree with all of them.

Illinois entered, kicking and screaming, into agree-

Teen shot dead in robbery bid allegedly attacked cops last year

By **HANNAH LEONE AND ROSEMARY SOBOL**
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Laavion Goings Jr. was out of jail only two months when the 19-year-old walked up to a bus stop about a block from his home, pulled out a gun and tried to rob a woman on the Far South Side.

But the woman had a gun too and fired first, hitting Goings in the chest, according to Chicago police. The teen ran back to his home and made it as far as a stairwell in the foyer of a building before collapsing in the 400 block of West 103rd Street.

That's where officers found him shortly before 6 a.m. Tuesday, just minutes after the shooting. He died within an hour at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn.

Surveillance video shows the woman on her knees as Goings ran off. As he disappeared around the corner, she got up and hurried across Normal Avenue. She lives just blocks away.

The woman declined to talk about the shooting when reached Wednesday, but did not seem surprised that the teen lived near her in the Fernwood neighborhood. Police said she has valid state permits to own and carry the .38-caliber handgun she used to shoot Goings.

The teen had a record of arrests, mostly for drug charges. But last June, he was charged with attacking a

sergeant and a police officer after he and his father were arrested during a narcotics raid in Englewood where the father lived, according to court records.

Police were executing a search warrant on June 8 when they found two zip-lock bags, one pink and one clear, both containing "numerous tan chunks of suspect heroin," according to a police report. They also found a pill bottle filled with what they believed was liquid codeine.

As police escorted the younger Goings downstairs, he became "very irate, stiffened up" and "pushed" and "grabbed" a sergeant, the report said. Another officer got him under control and into a police car.

As they made their way to the Englewood District police station, Goings kicked the door and cage area of the squad car, the report said. He was "placed directly into a padded cell," the report said.

Goings was charged with six counts of aggravated battery to a peace officer but they were dropped in October after the teen pleaded guilty to a drug charge. He was given probation and released from jail in early November, just days before his 19th birthday.

His father remains in Cook County, charged with illegal possession of guns and being an armed habitual criminal.

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Goings Jr.

ments to afford citizens their Second Amendment rights in 2013. In a city where there are so many killings involving illegal guns, the reluctance is understandable.

Every illegal gun used on

the streets was once a legal gun. It is the responsibility of legal gun-owners to ensure that their arms remain in the hands of those they were intended for.

In Chicago, we know

that doesn't always happen. We also know that not every concealed carry license-holder who has shot someone was right to fire the weapon. Our laws aren't perfect in Illinois, but they are among the best

around.

On that Far South Side street Tuesday morning, there was a battle between a legal gun and an illegal gun — between a gun owner who had undergone a background check and 16 hours of training and someone who wasn't supposed to have a firearm.

Goings had multiple arrests, mostly for drug charges, but also for attacking two police officials during a narcotics raid in Englewood. In October, six counts of aggravated battery to a peace officer were dropped after he pleaded guilty to a drug charge. He was on probation at the time he was killed.

No one should be happy when a teen is killed, regardless of how imperfect he was. But it is difficult to feel sorry for Goings.

In this battle of good versus evil, he was the villain and she is the hero. We applaud her for refusing to become yet another innocent victim of Chicago's gun violence.

It is possible that the shooting will haunt this young woman emotionally for a very long time. Killing someone, regardless of the circumstances, is not easy for most people. It is likely that she already has shed many tears over taking a young man's life. When the Chicago Tribune contacted her Wednesday, she didn't want to talk about it.

Perhaps one day, she will know that there is no guilt in saving your own life. And perhaps the rest of us will stop judging those so harshly who feel they must carry a legal gun to do so.

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Rallying against R. Kelly

Protesters rally Wednesday outside R. Kelly's West Loop studio urging a boycott of the singer and his prosecution amid new attention on accusations of sexual abuse that have dogged him. Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx has urged anyone with info to come forward.

ComEd will replace lines as a safety precaution

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properly addressing the cause of line failures that result in power surges.

"This isn't about the outage. We understand outages happen. It's the reconnection," Levin said. "When you go to be reconnected to your power source you shouldn't worry that your house is going to be electrocuted."

Approximately 244 residents were affected by the September 2014 power surge and approximately 4,300 by the September 2018 power surge, said Thomas Dominguez, a ComEd spokesman.

Dominguez said the September 2018 power surge was caused by one bare wire falling on top of another bare wire. The 2018 event "is similar to an unrelated surge that occurred in 2014," he said in the email.

"To make the system more resilient and reduce the likelihood of future events like these, we are replacing existing bare wire with stronger, covered wire," Dominguez said in the email.

In September 2018, a ComEd power line failed

and came into contact with another power line in the areas near the intersections of Waukegan and Voltz roads and Waukegan Road and Walters Avenue, said Matt Morrison, assistant director of the Northbrook Public Works Department.

A similar incident happened in 2014 in the same area when, as the village was told by ComEd at the time, lighting struck a cable and weakened it, Morrison said.

"While the circumstances around the events in 2014 and 2018 may be different, the root cause of the surges — a 34kv line failing and breaking then falling into a 4kv line — appears to be the same in both instances," Morrison said.

At an October 2018 meeting with residents, ComEd representatives discussed the overall performance of the system before the surge, "potential causes of a surge event," and an overview of the plans to further strengthen the system to prevent future surge events, Dominguez said in the email. "At ComEd, our highest priority is to safely provide reliable energy to our cus-

tomers."

Carlo Cavallaro, external affairs manager for ComEd, told the Northbrook Board of Trustees Sept. 25 that over the summer a two-year inspection of the power lines was completed, which consisted of visual and thermographic inspection for hot spots.

The power lines in the area will be replaced as a "safety precaution," and by the first quarter of 2019 the company plans "to have that work begun and completed," Cavallaro said.

"There is a lot of potential for storms and surges between now and then," Levin said. "For the second time, they should have to pay full restitution. We also need a guarantee they have properly fixed, replaced and resolved the issue that's causing the surge to begin with."

In September 2014, the same circuit experienced a splice failure that caused a power surge to homes in the same area, he said.

Around Labor Day weekend in 2014, there was a thunderstorm that caused the power to go out in the area of the Park Place neighborhood, where Levin lives, she said. The

homes were without power for about four days, and when the power was reconnected a power surge occurred, she said.

Annette Caras, who lives in the Park Place neighborhood, said that when the power was reconnected in her home in 2014 the floor in the sunroom and the alarm system caught on fire.

Caras said she was home when the power surge happened and she heard a loud noise. She soon noticed that the buttons on her coffee machine had popped off, she said.

After the September 2014 power surge, Caras said she had to replace her refrigerator, double oven, alarm system, phone system, televisions and floor heating unit, among other things.

After the 2018 power surge, Caras said she had to replace a fish tank, control panel for heating and cooling systems, a treadmill, routers, refrigerator and phone system.

"It was just terrible, we lost so much stuff," Caras said.

After the 2014 power surge, ComEd met with residents and suggested

homeowners purchase surge protectors for their homes, Levin said. After the 2018 incident, the power surge protectors blew out, she said.

"Maybe the power outage was caused by a different problem, but the reconnection is the same problem," Levin said. "This is now their responsibility because after the first time you are on notice. You don't get to do this twice to the same neighborhood."

Levin said Jan. 3 that no power surges have occurred in the area since September 2018, but that she has come home to find her clocks flashing, indicating that the power went out while she was away.

With the holidays coming to an end, Levin said she is confident that her neighborhood's homeowners association will continue working with other impacted associations and the village to make sure that safety concerns are addressed.

"I hope that Northbrook is staying informed and on top of it," Levin said. "We'll stay on it."

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Development proposed for McDonald's Plaza site

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A proposed mixed-use development at the McDonald's Plaza site along the north side of 22nd Street at Spring Road would bring retail stores, restaurants, office space, condominiums, luxury rental apartments and park space to Oak Brook.

Hines, a 63-year-old privately owned global real estate investment, development and management firm with a presence in more than 200 cities in 24 countries, gave the Village Board a preliminary review Tuesday of the project.

"We get the opportunity to take 16 acres of asphalt and make it into something very special," said Greg Van Schaack, Hines' senior managing director in Chicago.

Hines wants to build what it's calling Oak Brook Commons on 16.5 acres on which a McDonald's restaurant already has been demolished and the existing McDonald's office building would be torn down.

Plans call for up to 280 apartments, which will have an average monthly rental price of \$2,700, along with two condominium buildings that would have about 48 units each for sale.

Two office buildings would have a total of 300,000 square feet and a high-end hotel would have up to 250 rooms.

The apartment building, which would offer Oak Brook's first apartment rentals, would be developed with the infrastructure, amenities, and unit finish quality to enable a potential conversion to for-sale condominiums should market forces support this strategy in the future.

The office buildings would be the first multi-tenant office property to be built in the village since Hines completed a building at 700 Commerce Drive in 2000. The first phase of the project includes grading, site prep, utility work, parking, sidewalks, landscaping and lighting, followed by development of the retail and apartment components of the project and completion of a public park.

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Mueller protector plans to leave DOJ

Rosenstein expected to exit after new AG confirmed by Senate

BY ERIC TUCKER
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, the most visible Justice Department protector of special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation and a frequent target of President Donald Trump's wrath, is expected to leave his position soon after Trump's nominee for attorney general is confirmed.

The departure creates uncertainty about the oversight of Mueller's team as it enters what may be its final months of work. But the attorney general nominee, William Barr, moved quickly Wednesday to quell concerns that his arrival could endanger the probe, telling lawmakers during Capitol Hill visits ahead of his confirmation hearing that he has a high opinion of Mueller.

"He had absolutely no indication he was going to tell Bob Mueller what to do or how to do it," said Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham, the incoming chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which



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Rod Rosenstein has been deputy AG since April 2017.

will question Barr next Tuesday.

If confirmed by the GOP-led Senate, Barr could be in place at the Justice Department by February. Rosenstein is expected to leave his position soon after that, though he is not being forced out, said a person familiar with the plans who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The departure is not surprising given that Rosenstein has been deputy for almost two years. It is common for new attorneys general to have their own deputies and Barr has told people close to him that he wanted his own No. 2 as part of taking the attorney general job.

It was unclear who might replace Rosenstein. The deputy position requires Senate confirmation. It was also not clear whether Rosenstein's top deputy, Edward O'Callaghan, who has a prominent role over-



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Attorney General nominee William Barr, left, and Sen. Lindsey Graham met Wednesday. If confirmed by the Senate, Barr could be in place at the Justice Department by February.

seeing Mueller's investigation, might remain in his role.

Rosenstein's departure is noteworthy given his appointment of Mueller and close supervision of his work. He's also endured a tenuous relationship with Trump, who has repeatedly decried Rosenstein's decision to appoint Mueller, and with congressional Republicans who accused him of withholding documents from them and not investigating aggressively enough what they contend was political bias within the FBI.

In September, Rosenstein went to the White

House expecting to be fired after news reports that he had discussed secretly recording Trump and invoking a constitutional amendment to remove Trump as unfit for office. He was ultimately allowed to stay on after private conversations with Trump and John Kelly, then chief of staff.

Trump also shared a photo on Twitter in November showing Rosenstein and others criticized by the president behind bars, calling for them to be tried for "treason."

Mueller is investigating Russia's meddling in the 2016 election and contacts

with the Trump campaign. Rosenstein and his chief deputy have continued to maintain day-to-day oversight over the probe, a senior Justice Department official told reporters last month.

Barr would take over control of the investigation, assuming the same final say over major investigative steps that acting Attorney General Matthew Whitaker has had since former Attorney General Jeff Sessions was ousted in November.

Democrats have been wary of Whitaker, who declined to recuse himself from overseeing the investi-

gation.

The White House cast Rosenstein's departure as his choice.

Spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Rosenstein had always planned to stay two years and wants to help with the transition to a new attorney general.

"I don't think there's any willingness by the president or the White House to push him out," Sanders told Fox News.

Rosenstein appointed Mueller as special counsel in May 2017 to investigate potential coordination between Russia and the Trump campaign to sway the 2016 election. The appointment followed the refusal of Sessions because of his work on the Trump campaign and Trump's firing of former FBI Director James Comey.

Barr served as attorney general from 1991 to 1993.

Barr has criticized the Mueller investigation, including an unsolicited memo he sent the Justice Department last year critiquing Mueller's investigation into whether the president had sought to obstruct justice by firing Comey.

Rosenstein in December said Mueller's investigation would be "handled appropriately" no matter who is overseeing it.

Fire debris needs to go somewhere

Officials scramble to find a place that will take tons of rubble

BY LAURA NEWBERRY
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The long road to recovery in the town of Paradise starts with removing millions of tons of charred rubble left in the Camp Fire's wake.

But the question remains: Where will it all go?

Disaster officials are scrambling to secure a place to sort and process the remnants of nearly 19,000 structures destroyed in the wildfire that began Nov. 8 and killed 86 people. The mammoth undertaking has been slowed by opposition in nearby communities eyed as potential sites for a temporary scrapyard, which would receive 250 to 400 truckloads of concrete and metal each day.

First it was Chico, where in late December residents persuaded the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the California Office of Emergency Services — the agencies responsible for the cleanup — to look elsewhere.

Now officials are considering Oroville, where they've proposed opening a scrapyard at a Superfund site near Highway 70 that served as the Koppers wood treatment plant for decades. Federal officials argue that, after years of soil and groundwater cleanup, the land is safe enough for industrial use. The site would be open for at least a year.

But some residents do not trust that the land is as clean as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says it is and worry that such intense operations could kick up toxic dust and damage local roadways.

"We've been through enough already," Oroville Councilwoman Linda Draper said.

The proposal to open a scrapyard at this particular site has struck a nerve. At a town hall meeting in December, residents spoke of losing family members who worked at the Koppers site to cancer. (State health officials tried to determine a decade ago why the number of pancreatic cancer cases in Oroville doubled in 2004 and 2005, but results were inconclusive.)

And residents are still



NOAH BERGER/AP

What's left of a vintage car rests among debris after the Camp Fire in early November in Paradise, Calif. At least 86 people died in the massive wildfire.

Trump again threatens to withhold wildfire payments to Calif.

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — President Donald Trump threatened Wednesday to withhold money to help California cope with wildfires, a day after new Gov. Gavin Newsom asked him to double the federal investment in forest management.

Trump again suggested poor forest management is to blame for California's deadly wildfires and said

he's ordered the Federal Emergency Management Agency to stop giving the state money "unless they get their act together."

Fire scientists say climate change, not poor forest management, is the driving contributor to California's destructive wildfires, many of which have not been primarily in forests.

FEMA could not immediately comment because of the government

shutdown. Trump has previously threatened to withhold wildfire payments but never followed through.

Hours after Trump's tweet, the state's emergency operations agency said FEMA is extending its deadline for victims of deadly November wildfires to seek assistance.

Newsom, a Democrat who took office Monday, said Californians affected by wildfires "should not be

victims to partisan bickering."

Several GOP lawmakers who represent the town of Paradise, which was leveled by a deadly fire in November, said Trump's tweet was not helpful. "These are American citizens who need our help," U.S. Rep. Doug LaMalfa said.

Newsom and Govs. Jay Inslee and Kate Brown of Washington and Oregon, respectively, on Tuesday

sent a letter to the president asking him to double federal funding for forest management. California has pledged \$1 billion over the next five years to ramp up its efforts, which include clearing dead trees that can serve as fuel.

Lawmakers approved that money last year, and Newsom said Tuesday he'll add an extra \$105 million in his upcoming budget for wildfire-related spending.

reeling from the Oroville Dam's spillway collapse in February 2017, which turned the small city into a bustling construction zone, deteriorating roadways and intensifying traffic. Butte County filed a lawsuit against the state Department of Water Resources in August, seeking compensation for its damaged streets.

Officials have investigated more than 50 sites in a 30-mile radius of Paradise, including quarries and concrete recycling facilities, as potential depositories for the fire debris.

The 200-acre Koppers site was identified as an ideal location based on a few factors, according to Mike Petersen, spokesman for the U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers, which is tasked with developing the debris removal plan. The Superfund site is close to Paradise and a rail spur, he said, and the area already is zoned for industrial use.

Officials collected public comments recently and hope to make a decision about the site soon, Petersen said.

It was during the public feedback period in December that Chico residents made a case for why the fire rubble should not be processed next to the Barber Yard neighborhood on the south side of town. Officials ultimately abandoned the proposal after determining that roads in the residential area were not built to withstand the weight of indus-

trial trucks and equipment and that the activity could affect traffic to nearby businesses.

In Chico and Oroville, environmental concerns have trumped all others, including noise and traffic. Though only non-toxic concrete and metal would be processed at the site — hazardous waste such as car batteries, electronics and asbestos will be sent to designated landfills in California and Nevada — residents worry that toxic dust could blow off the debris and compromise air quality.

At the Koppers site, protective geotextile fabric would be placed on top of the existing soil to prevent any contaminated ground from being disturbed, ac-

ording to an environmental assessment prepared by the Army Corps of Engineers. Contractors would be unable to draw water or dig at the site, and materials would be rinsed of ash and oils before arriving in Oroville.

But such assurances are not enough for Oroville resident and local environmental activist Bill Bynum. Through his work with the Butte Environmental Council, he's raised concerns about the possible health effects of two large fires at the Koppers site, one in 1963 and another in 1987. According to the county, the fires may have caused an airborne release of dioxins. Those chemical compounds are known to cause

cancer as well as reproductive and developmental problems.

Bynum said the Koppers site should not be reopened for industrial use until the potential hazards are fully understood over time.

"We don't see this as an emergency," Bynum, 72, said. "We're wondering, why the rush? Why aren't they doing the sorting in Paradise?"

The debris can't be processed in Paradise itself, officials say, because such a large operation could impede reconstruction efforts. And time is of the essence: The sooner the rubble is removed, the sooner residents can begin to rebuild or at least move trailers onto their properties.

NYC trial focuses on Trump's move to send Haitians home

BY ADAM GELLER
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A trial in New York over the Trump administration's move to cut off permission for thousands of Haitians to live in the U.S. is spotlighting emails between officials downplaying health and safety crises in the Caribbean nation as they tried to justify the change.

The case centers on the Temporary Protected Status program, which has allowed about 50,000 people from Haiti to live and work in the U.S. temporarily since a devastating earthquake in 2010. The emails, filed with documents in the case, bolster the argument by migrant advocates that the Trump administration was so bent on ending TPS that it ignored the U.S. government's own research showing that Haiti was in no shape to take people back.

"The problem" with that analysis, one Trump appointee to the Department of Homeland Security, Kathy Kovarik, wrote in an October 2017 email, "is that it reads as though we'd recommend an extension (of TPS) because we talk so much about how bad it is."

"The basic problem is that it IS bad there," another official responded.

The nonjury trial in federal court in Brooklyn stems from one of seven lawsuits filed by immigrants and advocates over the 2017 moves to end TPS. The program has allowed about 300,000 people from Haiti, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Sudan and other countries to stay in the country for years after their home countries were upended by natural disasters or violence.

In October, a California judge hearing another of the lawsuits temporarily blocked the changes covering people from those four countries, forcing the administration to maintain



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Demonstrators voice their support for Haitians this week at the courthouse in the New York borough of Brooklyn.

their TPS status for now.

But the Brooklyn case, which covers only Haitians, is the first time the administration's move to end TPS has been put on trial. U.S. District Judge William Kuntz said Monday he expects to issue a decision after both sides file written arguments in March. Whatever the ruling, it is likely to be appealed.

Previous administrations periodically reviewed conditions in countries beset by war and catastrophe before deciding whether to grant, renew or expand temporary protected status, lawyers for Haitian migrants contend. But they say the Trump administration followed a different path this time.

The debate over the decision has turned on comments by President Donald Trump last year that the U.S. does not want Haitians and others from "shithole countries."

Those comments have come up in the New York trial, with the attorneys representing Haitians citing the remark but using the term "s-hole" out of concern for courtroom decorum.

The judge, though, seemed offended by the omission. "We're in the real

world here," Kuntz told lawyers. "Use the term."

Lawyers for immigrants have argued that the comments show racial bias contributed to the decisions to end TPS. They have contended, too, that the administration failed to follow the usual practice of making decisions based on analysis by staffers at the departments of State and Homeland Security.

The lawyers said Trump appointees rewrote or edited those findings to suit their purposes. In another email filed as part of the case, for example, a DHS appointee, Robert Law, wrote that a draft decision on Haiti "is overwhelming (ly) weighted for extension (of TPS) which I do not think is the conclusion we are looking for."

"The defendants are entitled to their own opinions, but not to their own facts," one of the lawyers representing Haitian immigrants, Howard Roin, said in court.

But lawyers for the government reminded the court that TPS was always intended to be temporary. "TPS is not asylum. ... It is a temporary humanitarian response," Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph Marutollo said.

Judge frees Palestinian man from 2-year immigration hold

BY DAVID PITT
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — A Palestinian man who was jailed in Iowa for two years while immigration authorities tried to secure permission to deport him has been released after a federal judge ruled he had been held for too long without a reasonable expectation of being repatriated soon.

Advocates for immigrants' rights say Hasan Salama Dibai Ghithan's case is not unusual and that far too many immigrants awaiting deportation are jailed indefinitely because they don't know how to navigate the U.S. legal system.

"I haven't seen the sun in two years," Ghithan told The Associated Press on Friday, just hours after his release from the Pottawattamie County Jail. "Man, it was just a nightmare. A nightmare. I'm glad it's kind of over now."

Ghithan, 33, was trying to renew his expired green card in Omaha, Neb., in January 2017, when U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents discovered he had been convicted on a drug charge in Texas a year earlier. They locked him up in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Months passed as Ghithan sought his release or deportation to a part of the world he hasn't visited in 14 years. He became so desperate in jail that he even offered to pay for his own flight.

Complicating his departure, Ghithan can't be flown direct to his homeland because the U.S. doesn't recognize Palestine as a sovereign, independent state. Immigration officials said they must first obtain permission from Israel, transport him to Jordan and get him permission to cross the Allenby Bridge from Jordan into the West Bank, although Jordan rescinded a memorandum of



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ICE officials jailed Hasan Salama Dibai Ghithan in Iowa. He was freed Friday.

understanding that allowed such crossings in September. Thus, the U.S. government has been unable to get the required permissions.

A report by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement indicates a sharp increase in the arrest and deportation of immigrants who have broken U.S. laws.

More than 396,000 people were booked into ICE detention facilities during the fiscal year that ended in September, an increase of 22.5 percent from the previous year. More than 250,000 immigrants were deported, and more than half of them were convicted of a crime.

Ghithan was born in Ramallah in the West Bank and arrived in the U.S. on a student visa in 2005. He married an American woman and received a green card, but allowed it to expire in 2012.

He went to college in Texas where, Ghithan says, friends led him astray. He was convicted on a gambling-related charge in Waco in June 2013, and possession of drug paraphernalia in May 2016. He was released on probation and given a deferred judgment.

He then separated from his wife and moved to Omaha to live with his

uncle and cousins. It was there, as he sought to renew his green card in early 2017, that ICE officials uncovered his criminal record and jailed him in Iowa.

Ghithan was told he would see a judge within two weeks, and he expected to post bail and be released. But it was two months before a judge considered his case, and that judge denied him bail because his crime was drug related.

Meanwhile, an Omaha immigration judge rejected Ghithan's request for asylum based on his claim that he was fleeing violence in the Middle East. The judge ordered him to be deported to Israel, but nothing happened.

After calling the American Bar Association from jail, he challenged the constitutionality of his imprisonment but mistakenly filed the document in Omaha because he thought he was being held in Nebraska. Four months passed before a judge wrote to him, telling him that because he was in Iowa, he needed to file in federal court in that state.

He filed another petition in September 2018. After months of exchanges between U.S. District Judge Robert Pratt in Des Moines and federal officials, it became clear Ghithan's release was not imminent.

On Dec. 10, federal officials suggested holding Ghithan until at least March to give them time to get the paperwork in order.

Ghithan's court-appointed attorney, Kevin Hobbs, argued that Ghithan's indefinite detention was "in violation of due process under the United States Constitution."

Pratt granted Ghithan's release under supervision of immigration authorities Jan. 2.

The government filed documents Friday confirming his release.

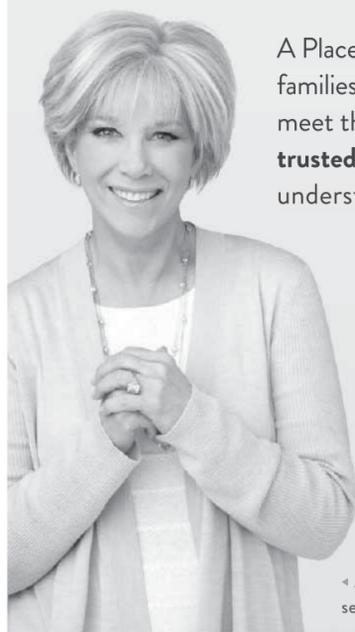
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Cigarette smoking at record low in U.S.

But the good news is not shared equally by all Americans

By **KAREN KAPLAN**
Los Angeles Times

Cigarette smoking is at an all-time low in the United States, but the benefits of this public health achievement are not being shared equally by all Americans.

A new analysis of health data from the nation's 500 largest cities shows that the people who live in neighborhoods with the highest smoking rates are more likely to be poor, less likely to be white, and more likely to have chronic heart or lung diseases.

"The degree of inequity was surprising," said study leader Eric Leas, who conducted the work at the Stanford Prevention Research Center.

Smoking may be a choice, but if you want to live a long and healthy life, it's a bad one. In the U.S., life expectancy is at least 10 years lower for smokers than for nonsmokers, and smoking is responsible for roughly 20 percent of deaths each year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The U.S. surgeon general says smoking can be blamed

for more than 80 percent of deaths due to lung cancer (the deadliest type of cancer in the U.S.) and about 80 percent of deaths due to chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (the country's third-leading cause of death). Smokers also face increased risks of heart disease, stroke, asthma, diabetes, and at least 10 other kinds of cancer.

In 1965, when the National Center for Health Statistics began tracking tobacco use, 42 percent of U.S. adults were cigarette smokers. By 2017, that figure had declined to 14 percent.

Leas and his former Stanford colleagues wondered how the health gains were spread across the country. To find out, they examined data from the 500 Cities Project, a joint effort of the CDC and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation that gauges health risk factors in 27,204 census tracts in America's largest cities.

They found that smoking was more popular in some census tracts than others — and that there were certain things these census tracts had in common.

For starters, the people

living in neighborhoods with higher smoking rates tended to make less money than people in neighborhoods with lower smoking rates. The researchers calculated that a \$10,000 increase in a census tract's median household income corresponded with a 0.92 percentage-point decrease in smoking prevalence.

In addition, neighborhoods with higher smoking rates were more likely to be populated by African-Americans and Latinos, while the reverse was true for non-Hispanic whites. A 10 percentage-point increase in a census tract's white population corresponded with a 0.84 percentage-point decrease in the prevalence of smoking.

The Stanford team also found that the popularity of smoking and the prevalence of diseases rose or fell in tandem. For instance, if the smoking rate in a neighborhood were to increase from 10.7 percent to 27.6 percent, the prevalence of coronary heart disease would rise by 27 percent, asthma would jump by 39 percent, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease would climb by



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120 percent.

In each of the 500 cities, the researchers quantified the degree of "smoking prevalence inequity" on a scale from 0 (perfect equity) to 1 (complete inequity). All cities in the study had a score of at least 0.03, representing at least a small degree of inequity, and the bulk of them had scores between 0.1 and 0.15. The most inequitable city in America was Washington, D.C., with a score of 0.23.

Leas said he was amazed by the differences in the nation's capital: The smoking prevalence in some neighborhoods was 8.8 percent, while in others it reached 49.1 percent.

"A rate of 49.1 percent is

higher even than where the national average was in the 1960s, highlighting how far many neighborhoods need to come to catch up to the national trends," said Leas.

Health experts make a distinction between inequalities and inequities. Some amount of health inequality may be unavoidable, such as when a genetic variant makes a person more vulnerable to a particular disease. However, when an unequal outcome could have been avoided, you have a case of inequity.

The researchers proposed several policy measures to combat the inequities they documented.

For instance, people in neighborhoods with higher

smoking rates were more likely to encounter stores selling cigarettes and other tobacco products. Regulations aimed at "limiting the quantity, location, and type of tobacco retailers" in an area might lead to less smoking there, they wrote.

Raising taxes on cigarettes to make them more expensive would probably reduce demand among low-income smokers, helping to erase some of the inequity, they added. The findings also suggest that smoking cessation programs would do more good if they were "targeted to resource-poor communities."

The study was published by the journal JAMA Internal Medicine.



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'Traditional masculinity' officially labeled 'harmful'

By **JESSICA SCHLADEBECK**
New York Daily News

The American Psychological Association has issued its first official warning against toxic masculinity.

The new "Guidelines for the Psychological Practice with Boys and Men," marks the first-ever report published by the association aimed at helping practitioners care for their male patients "despite social forces that can harm mental health."

Citing more than 40 years of research, the APA warns against the "masculinity ideology," which it defines as "a particular constellation of standards that have held sway over large segments of the population, including: anti-femininity, achievement, eschewal of the appearance of weakness, and adventure risk and violence."

"Traditional masculinity ideology has been shown to limit males' psychological development, constrain their behavior, result in gen-

der role strain and gender role conflict and negatively influence mental health and physical health," according to the 36-page report, featured in January's issue of Monitor on Psychology.

Conforming to the norms of the "masculinity ideology" can result in suppressing emotions and masking distress in young boys as well as more risk-taking and aggressive behavior and a lack of willingness to seek out help.

The report additionally contends this can lead to

traits such as homophobia and pave the way for sexual harassment, bullying and violence against others and themselves.

The APA also invoked a series of sobering statistics to emphasize that "traditional masculinity — marked by stoicism, competitiveness, dominance and aggression — is, on the whole, harmful."

For example, despite being four times more likely to die of suicide than women, men are significantly less likely to be diagnosed with

internalizing disorders because they don't "conform to traditional stereotypes about men's emotionality."

Men in the United States also commit an estimated 90 percent more homicides than women and are also much more likely to be arrested for domestic violence.

Despite its warnings, the APA also encouraged men to embrace the positive aspects of traditional masculinity, including leadership and courage.

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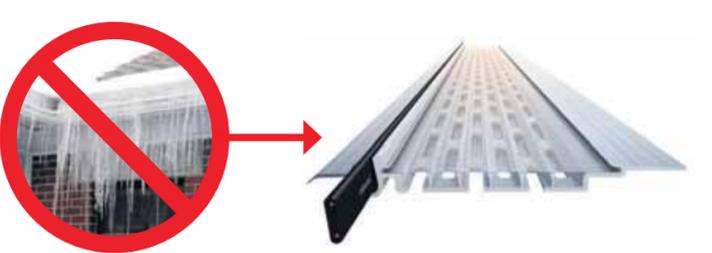


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At border, it's catch and release ... fast

As detention centers fill, asylum seekers are cut loose quickly

BY ELLIOT SPAGAT
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — President Donald Trump says he has ended “catch-and-release” for asylum seekers, but in cities on the U.S. border with Mexico it is catch and can't release fast enough.

Since late October, the U.S. has been releasing asylum-seeking families so quickly they don't even have time to make travel arrangements, which it blames on lack of detention space. Families are often given court dates without having to pass initial screenings by asylum officers. They end up in shelters run by charities or are dropped off at bus stations in border cities.

For one Salvadoran family that dizzying series of events began when their 7-year-old daughter, Yariza Flores, landed on barbed wire after being hoisted over a border fence during their illegal crossing last month. She was rushed to a San Diego hospital to stop profuse bleeding.

Just four days later, U.S. authorities dropped her off at a San Diego shelter with her parents and 3-year-old brother. They had no money, the clothes on their backs and an order to appear in



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Four days after Yariza Flores, 11, was hurt crossing the border, authorities dropped her family at a San Diego shelter.

immigration court in Houston, where they planned to live with Yariza's grandmother and two aunts. They didn't even have time to arrange for relatives to buy bus tickets before they were released.

“I feel happy because we're finally here, we're finally going to see my family,” the girl's mother, Tania Escobar, said in the shelter dining hall after a meal. Her daughter sat nearby, all smiles, wearing a silver crown that a Border

Patrol agent gave her and holding a stuffed animal from a doctor who treated the cuts on her lower back.

From California to Arizona to Texas, volunteers are scrambling to help families until they can arrange transportation to relatives across the U.S. The San Diego Rapid Response Network, an advocacy coalition that runs the shelter that housed Yariza and her family, has served more than 4,000 people since opening in a church in late October, mov-

ing five times since then because it ran out of space.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement often coordinates with these shelters. On the December night that Yariza arrived, ICE brought 125 people in buses that came every half-hour. One night during Christmas week, the facility received 180 people, forcing it to use a church for the overflow.

The situation belies Trump's assertion, in a November tweet, that “Catch

and Release is an obsolete term. It is now Catch and Detain.”

The Trump administration announced Dec. 20 that it would make asylum seekers who enter the U.S. on its southern border wait in Mexico while their claims wind through clogged immigration courts, which can take years. But that policy has yet to take effect while the two countries work on mechanics; a legal challenge appears likely.

So, for now, many asylum-seeking families are being released in the U.S. before even they are ready. ICE dropped off hundreds of people daily at a bus station in El Paso, Texas, over the holidays. In Tucson, Ariz., charities have rented motel rooms when shelters are full.

ICE began shortening custody stays on Oct. 23 in response to the growing numbers of families crossing from Mexico. Officials say ICE previously ensured that families had travel plans first but that it's not legally required to do so.

“After decades of inaction by Congress, the government remains severely constrained in its ability to detain and promptly remove families with no legal basis to remain in the U.S.,” said ICE spokeswoman Sarah Rodriguez. “As a result, family units continue to cross the border at high

volumes and are likely to continue to do so, as they face no consequence for their actions.”

At the San Diego shelter, asylum-seeking families, largely from Guatemala and Honduras, are asked about their health at the front door. A mobile clinic in the parking lot tends to people with sore throats, dehydration, vomiting, fevers and other ailments.

Shelter organizers say it costs \$350,000 a month to operate the facility, which provides food, showers, cots, clothing and sometimes travel expenses. The state of California has donated \$500,000 for administrative costs, and the city of San Diego may turn a former juvenile detention camp into a shelter.

“We can't do everything ourselves, but I know we're capable of doing more,” California Gov. Gavin Newsom said after visiting the shelter in November as governor-elect, calling it “a humanitarian crisis.”

Kate Clark, an immigration attorney with Jewish Family Service of San Diego, said babies as young as two days old have arrived at the shelter; some migrants come without shoes. One malnourished woman weighed just 80 pounds.

So far, no one has been left penniless in the streets, but, she says, “Every single night is close.”

Trump walks out of meeting with Dems

Shutdown, from Page 1

“The president made clear today that he is going to stand firm to achieve his priorities to build a wall — a steel barrier — at the southern border,” Vice President Mike Pence told reporters.

That insistence and Trump's walking out were “really, really unfortunate,” Schumer said.

Trump had just returned from Capitol Hill where he urged congressional Republicans to hold firm with him. He suggested a deal for his border wall might be getting closer, but he also said the shutdown would last “whatever it takes.”

He discussed the possibility of a sweeping immigration compromise with Democrats to protect some immigrants from deportation but provided no clear strategy or timeline for resolving the standoff, according to senators in the private session.

Trump insisted at the White House, “I didn't want this fight.” But it was his sudden rejection of a bipartisan spending bill late last month that blindsided leaders in Congress, including Republican allies, now seeking a resolution to the shutdown.

That unity was tested late Wednesday when the House passed a spending bill, 240-188, to reopen one shuttered department, Treasury, to ensure that tax refunds and other financial services continue. Eight Republicans joined Democrats in voting, defying the plea to stick with the White House.

Ahead of his visit to Capitol Hill, Trump renewed his notice that he might declare a national emergency and try to authorize the wall on his own if Congress won't approve the money he's asking.



ALEX BRANDON/AP

President Trump with fellow Republicans, from left, Sens. John Barrasso and John Thune, Vice President Mike Pence, and Sens. Roy Blunt and Mitch McConnell.

“I think certainly I have expressed more than a few times the frustrations with a government shutdown and how useless it is. That pressure is going to build.”

—Sen. Shelley Moore Capito, R-WV.

“I think we might work a deal, and if we don't I might go that route,” he said.

There's growing concern about the toll the shutdown is taking on everyday Americans, including disruptions in payments to farmers and trouble for home buyers who are seeking government-backed mortgage loans — “serious stuff” according to Sen. John Thune, the No. 2 Senate Republican.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, was among several senators who questioned Trump at the Capitol.

“I addressed the things that are very local to us — it's not just those who don't receive a federal paycheck perhaps on Friday, but there are other consequences,” she said, mentioning the inability to certify weight scales for selling fish.

The president's response? “He urged unity,”

she said.

Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, said “the president thinks there will be increasing pressure on everybody to come to the table once people start missing their paycheck.”

Earlier, Cornyn called the standoff “completely unnecessary and contrived. People expect their government to work. This obviously is not working.”

Like other Republicans, Sen. Shelley Moore Capito of West Virginia said she wants border security. But she said there was “no way” the shutdown fight would drag on for years as Trump warned last week.

“I think certainly I have expressed more than a few times the frustrations with a government shutdown and how useless it is,” Capito said Tuesday. “That pres-

sure is going to build.”

Democrats said before the White House meeting that they would ask Trump to accept an earlier bipartisan bill that had money for border security but not the wall. Pelosi warned that the effects of hundreds of thousands of lost paychecks would begin to ripple across the economy.

“The president could end the Trump shutdown and reopen the government today, and he should,” Pelosi said.

But the meeting breakup put an end to that idea.

Tuesday night, speaking to the nation from the Oval Office for the first time, Trump argued that the wall was needed to resolve a security and humanitarian “crisis.” He blamed illegal immigration for what he said was a scourge of drugs

and violence in the U.S. and asked: “How much more American blood must we shed before Congress does its job?”

Democrats in response accused Trump appealing to “fear, not facts” and manufacturing a border crisis for political gain.

A growing number of Republicans are uncomfortable with the toll the partial shutdown is taking, and Trump's response to it. They are particularly concerned about the administration's talk of possibly declaring a national emergency at the border, seeing that as an unprecedented claim on the right of Congress to allocate funding except in the most dire circumstances.

“I prefer that we get this resolved the old-fashioned way,” Thune said.

Experts pan FDA reductions in food inspections amid shutdown

BY LAURIE MCGINLEY
AND JOEL ACHENBACH
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The furloughing of hundreds of Food and Drug Administration inspectors has sharply reduced inspections of the nation's food supply — one of many repercussions of the partial government shutdown that make Americans potentially less safe.

The agency, which oversees 80 percent of the food supply, has suspended all

routine inspections of domestic food-processing facilities, FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb said. He said he's working on a plan to bring back inspectors as early as next week to resume inspections of high-risk facilities, which handle foods such as soft cheese or seafood, or have a history of problems.

“We are doing what we can to mitigate any risk to consumers through the shutdown,” Gottlieb said.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest, a non-

profit advocacy group, described the reductions as unacceptable.

“That puts our food supply at risk,” said Sarah Sorscher, deputy director of regulatory affairs at the group. “Regular inspections, which help stop foodborne illness before people get sick, are vital.”

Foodborne illness is a major problem in the country, sickening 48 million people each year and killing 3,000, estimates the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Food inspections are just one of many public health and safety efforts that have been stopped or curtailed during the shutdown, now deep into its third week.

Much of what the federal government does involves risk management: It keeps airplanes from colliding, inspects food and drugs, pursues criminals and defends against possible terrorist and cyberattacks.

“You can't shut down the United States government at this magnitude and expect that everything's going

to be hunky-dory,” said Bruce McIndoe, founder and president of WorldAware, a risk management firm with corporate clients around the globe. “You're going to see a much higher risk of a failure in the system.”

The FDA, for example, typically conducts about 160 routine food inspections a week in the United States, with about a third involving high-risk processing facilities, Gottlieb said.

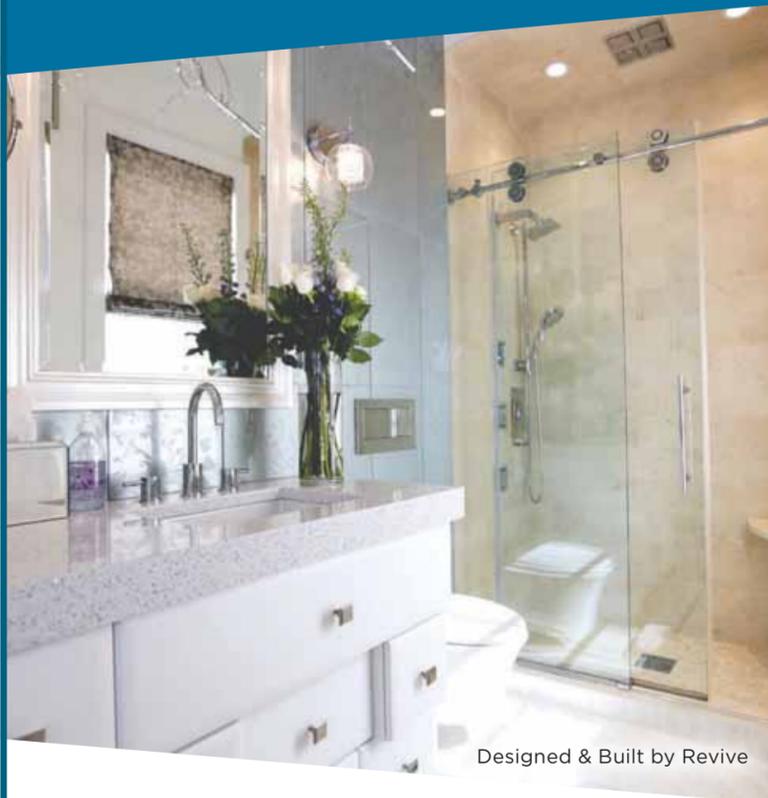
He said that 2013 legal

guidance said the agency couldn't do regular food inspections during a funding shortfall. But after canceling more than 50 high-risk inspections, he said he has obtained new guidance that he believes will allow him to call back about 150 furloughed inspectors to focus on high-risk facilities.

The agency is continuing to inspect foreign manufacturers, imports and domestic producers involved in recalls or outbreaks, or where inspectors suspect there may be a problem.

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British Prime Minister Theresa May is seen in this video grab on Monday in London.

U.K. lawmakers rebuff May as she tries to save Brexit deal

BY JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's battle over Brexit turned into political trench warfare between Parliament and the government Wednesday, as Prime Minister Theresa May brought her little-loved EU divorce agreement back to lawmakers who appear determined to thwart her plans.

A month after postponing a vote on the deal to avert near-certain defeat, May urged Parliament to support it to prevent Britain leaving the EU on March 29 with no agreement on exit terms and future relations, an outcome that could cause economic and social upheaval.

"The only way to avoid a deal is to vote for the deal," May told lawmakers in the House of Commons on the first of five days of debate ahead of a vote Tuesday.

May postponed the vote in mid-December when it became clear lawmakers would resoundingly reject the agreement, a compromise deal that has left both pro-European and pro-Brexit politicians unhappy.

Rather than warming to May's deal since then, lawmakers have tried to wrest control of Brexit from the government and put it in the hands of Parliament.

An alliance of governing

Conservative and opposition legislators has dealt May two defeats in as many days — symbolic setbacks that suggest a power shift from the executive to the legislature.

On Wednesday, the House of Commons voted to prevent the government delaying key decisions as Brexit approaches. Lawmakers approved a motion saying that if Parliament rejects May's divorce deal, the government must come up with a "Plan B" within three working days. Lawmakers would have the power to amend that plan.

Pro-EU Conservative lawmaker Dominic Grieve, who proposed the measure, said it was intended to speed up decisions, to help avoid a no-deal Brexit and "the calamitous consequences that would follow on from it."

The government previously had 21 days to report back to Parliament.

In a sign of the anger and division Brexit has sown among lawmakers, the motion prompted bad-tempered scenes in Parliament, as Conservatives accused Speaker John Bercow of contravening parliamentary convention by allowing a vote on the amendment.

Late Tuesday, legislators backed an amendment to the Finance Bill that puts

roadblocks in the way of government spending on no-deal Brexit measures. The vote, which saw 20 legislators from May's Conservative Party rebel and side with the opposition, indicates that a majority in Parliament opposes leaving the EU without an agreement and will try to stop it happening.

May has refused publicly to consider an alternative plan, battling instead to shore up political support for the withdrawal agreement struck between Britain and the EU after months of painstaking negotiations. Last month she promised to seek reassurances from the EU on the most contentious issue, the status of the Northern Ireland-Ireland border. But the bloc refuses to reopen the agreement, and opposition to the negotiated deal remains strong among British lawmakers.

May insisted Wednesday that "further clarification" from the EU was possible.

Jeremy Corbyn, leader of the main opposition Labour Party, said that "not one single dot or comma has changed" since December's aborted vote.

"Isn't the prime minister bringing back exactly the same deal she admitted would be defeated four weeks ago?" he asked.

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Young Indians can't find work

India has economy growing fast but not enough jobs

By JOANNA SLATER
The Washington Post

NEW DELHI — Anil Gujjar arrived in India's capital from a small village in the northwestern state of Rajasthan carrying nothing except a backpack and hopes of finding a good job.

The odds were not in his favor. In February, India's railways system announced a national recruitment drive for the most menial positions in its hierarchy — helper, porter, cleaner, gate-man, track maintainer, assistant switchman.

It attracted 19 million applicants for 63,000 vacancies.

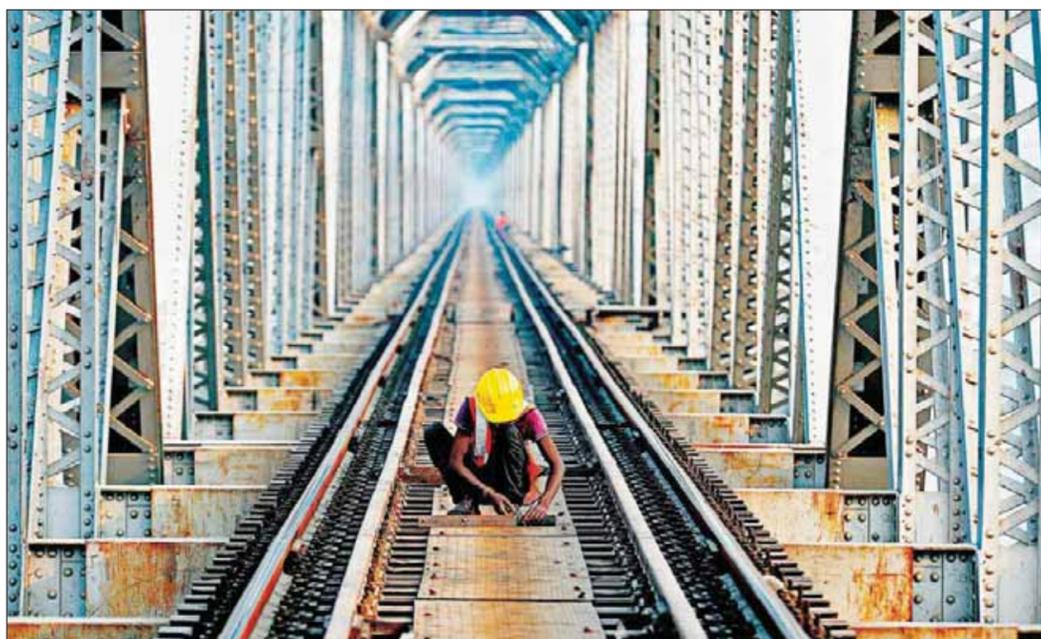
Gujjar, the son of a farmer and the first person in his family to attend college, was one of them.

At the test center in Delhi where he took a mandatory exam in November, he looked around warily at hundreds of young men like him. Nearly all were college students or graduates. Some even had master's degrees.

The railways' recruitment effort is a potent symbol of India's employment conundrum. The country is one of the fastest-growing major economies in the world, but it is not generating enough jobs — let alone good jobs — for the increasingly educated young people entering the labor force.

By 2021, the number of people in India between the ages of 15 and 34 is expected to reach 480 million. They have higher levels of literacy and are staying in school longer than any previous generation of Indians. The youth surge represents an opportunity for this country of 1.3 billion, economists say, but only if such young people can find productive work.

Recent employment trends are not encouraging.



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An analysis of government data by Azim Premji University showed that unemployment rose in nearly all Indian states between 2011 and 2016. Jobless rates for young people and those with higher educational qualifications increased during the same period, in some cases sharply. The unemployment rate for college graduates jumped from 4.1 percent to 8.4 percent, according to Santosh Mehrotra, a well-known labor economist.

The fate of India's millions of job-seekers represents a major political liability for Prime Minister Narendra Modi as he seeks re-election this year. Modi came to power almost five years ago promising "development for all" and robust job creation.

But his attempts to increase manufacturing and entrepreneurship have not succeeded in turbocharging employment.

Modi's controversial move in late 2016 to invalidate most of India's bank

notes — ostensibly to stem corruption — had a deleterious impact on workers. About 3 million jobs were lost in the first four months of 2017, according to the Center for Monitoring Indian Economy, a research firm in Mumbai that conducts a national employment survey.

Its data also showed that the Indian labor force shrank between 2017 and 2018 — not a sign of a healthy job market.

"India is rapidly losing an opportunity," said Mahesh Vyas, the chief executive of the research firm. "We're just arguing needlessly and endlessly rather than deploying all these young people coming into the labor market into productive work."

The result is a "slow and insidious crisis," he said.

For many young Indian people, finding a job is an all-consuming task. An entire industry has sprung up offering "personality development" classes — a combination of basic English, so-

cial skills and interview preparation advertised as improving employability. Job scams are common, with fraudsters preying on the aspirations of those seeking work.

Educated youths do not want to be "pakora wallahs" — people who make a quintessential fried Indian snack — said Radhicka Kapoor, an economist at the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations. "They want good, productive jobs, and they're going to wait it out until they in fact find these jobs."

Ajit Ghose, an economist at the Institute for Human Development in Delhi, says that India needs to generate jobs not only for fresh entrants to the workforce — who number 6 million to 8 million a year, according to his estimate — but also for people, mostly women, who are working far less than they would be if they could get stable jobs that paid a decent wage.

Ghose has calculated India has at least 104 million

such "surplus" workers.

That's a monumental challenge for any government and one that India's leadership is not meeting.

Judging the Modi government's track record on job creation is complicated by the fact that it has not released any comprehensive nationwide employment data since 2016. The Labor and Statistics ministries have conducted more-recent employment surveys of Indian households, but those results have not been made public.

"It's anybody's guess whether we'll see any employment statistics come out before the 2019 elections," said Amit Basole, an economist at Azim Premji University.

Arvind Panagariya, an economist who served under the current government as vice chair of its policy planning agency, argued that no real assessment of the employment situation is possible until new nationwide data are released by the Statistics

Ministry. He said his sense was that concerns about job creation are "overblown," given India's high rates of economic growth.

For India's educated youths, searching for a job that meets their aspirations can feel like a marathon. At the test center in Delhi, waves of applicants for the railway positions arrived three times a day, each weekday, from September through mid-December — a scene replicated at hundreds of exam centers across the country.

The railway jobs on offer — sometimes referred to as Group D positions — are junior but offer security and a comparatively good salary. The starting pay is \$250 a month, plus there are perks such as free train travel.

Gujjar arrived in Delhi for the first time in his life the evening before his 9 a.m. exam. He spent the night sleeping on a sheet that he spread on the floor of the railway station. Early the next morning, he took a bus to the exam center, where he stood, waiting, in a thin striped sweater, arms crossed against the predawn chill. At 7:35 a.m., a guard carrying a portable loudspeaker began barking instructions to the assembled test-takers.

Gujjar, 19, helps his parents farm a small plot of land where they grow wheat and millet. A year ago, he tried to join the Indian army, but he did not make the cut in a qualifying exam. There are no opportunities in his village in the district of Jhunjhunu, he said, and most of his friends do not have steady work.

After taking the 90-minute computerized test, Gujjar strode through a blue metal gate with a smile of relief on his face. The exam was not as difficult as he had feared. It will be months before he knows whether he has beaten the odds, which are 1 in 300.

"If I get a job, it will be worth it," he said.

Diving a way of life and death

Honduras' lobster divers risk injury, worse from nitrogen

By RODRIGO ABD AND MOISES CASTILLO
Associated Press

PUERTO LEMPIRA, Honduras — Saul Ronaldo Atiliano was diving for lobster in the clear waters off Honduras' Caribbean coast when he felt a pressure, a pain in his body. And he knew he'd gotten the sickness that has killed or disabled so many of his Miskito comrades.

"The pressure attacked me deep in the water," said Atiliano, a 45-year-old Miskito who for 25 years has dived for lobster, most of which is exported to the United States.

Thousands of men across the Mosquitia region of Honduras and Nicaragua depend on lobster fishing to eke out a living. And like Atiliano, hundreds have been stricken with the bends — decompression sickness caused when nitrogen bubbles form in divers' bodies. Some are paralyzed. Some are killed.

With more than 60 percent of its 9 million people living in poverty, Honduras is one of the poorest countries in Latin America, and the Mosquitia is one of the

most impoverished areas.

Among exotic, tropical vegetation along the Caribbean coast, the region is sprinkled with small fishing villages where indigenous villagers live in clapboard houses. A sign of the poverty — and also the innocence of childhood — kids play with trucks made of plastic juice boxes with lids for wheels. For many grown-ups, the only option they've found to cope with poverty is diving, no matter the risks.

Safe standard diving techniques call for a gradual ascent to the surface to eliminate the nitrogen that the body's tissues absorb during a dive, and for a limit to the number of dives a person makes in a day.

But many of the divers of Mosquitia dive deeply, surface quickly and then go back for more, racing to collect as much lobster as possible. The boats, where they spend days playing cards and talking among themselves between dives, often have only rudimentary safety equipment and use aging tanks and masks.

Just how many have been stricken is somewhat unclear, though all agree it's a

large number for such small communities.

Jorge Gomez Santos, a former president of the Association of Disabled Honduran Miskito Divers, said this month that at least 2,200 Miskitos now work on the boats, and he said at least 1,300 have been disabled since 1980. Gomez, who uses a wheelchair, said 14 have died this year alone.

A study more than a decade ago cited by the Pan American Health Organization reported there were around 9,000 divers in the Mosquitia, and around 4,200 — 47 percent — were disabled by decompression sickness. Nearly all had suffered symptoms.

A diver makes 75 lempiras (\$3) per pound of lobster and 7 lempiras (28 cents) for each sea cucumber. An average 10-pound daily haul of lobster is a windfall in one of the most impoverished regions of the Americas, so many take the risk, and many suffer for it, like Atiliano, who dove for 25 years without a problem until that day in September.

The father of 10 was paralyzed on the boat, which didn't reach the docks for another day and a



RODRIGO ABD/AP

Lobster diver Charles Melendez, 28, is carried by his son and wife. Melendez, who started diving at age 16, was left paralyzed by decompression sickness.

half. Fellow divers then drove him about 10 blocks to the hospital with a U.S.-donated hyperbaric chamber in Puerto Lempira, the area's largest city.

Decompression sickness is usually treatable with sessions in such high-pressure, oxygen-rich chambers, but there are only a few available along the coast, and divers often must wait several days before they can be treated — reducing the chances of recovery.

"It's the first accident I've had," Atiliano said, speaking in Miskito through a translator. He appeared exhausted, with a blank stare, after a session of more than

three hours in the chamber. He had shown little outward sign of improvement after that early treatment.

Another patient at the chamber was Charles "Charly" Melendez, a 28-year-old Miskito who said he had been diving since he was 16 and had harvested 60 pounds of lobster on the day in November 2017 that he was injured.

Even now, after nine sessions, he hasn't recovered.

"I still can't stand up by myself," he said. "I can't sit for a long time; after an hour my body hurts."

Cedrack Waldan Mendoza, the physical therapist operating the chamber, said the divers are driven by

poverty, and even if injured, return to the boats.

"You run into them in the street and ask them why they're going (back to diving) and they say it's because their kids are hungry," Waldan Mendoza said.

Atiliano and Melendez are among the most vulnerable cogs in the lobster industry, which generated \$40 million in sales for Honduras in 2017, nearly all of it from the U.S. market.

Atiliano said he expects to return to sea, not because he wants to, but for lack of options.

"If I recover, by necessity and for lack of work I'll have to go back to diving," he said.

N. Carolina zoo intern death spurs calls for tighter standards

By JONATHAN DREW AND RICK CALLAHAN
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — The fatal mauling of a zoo intern by a lion that escaped from a locked pen illustrates the need for North Carolina regulators to crack down on unaccredited exhibitors of dangerous animals, animal welfare advocates said.

Alexandra Black, 22, of Indiana, was attacked earlier this month while cleaning an animal enclosure with

other staff members.

Sheriff's deputies called to the scene shot the animal eight times, killing it, before Black's body could be retrieved. It was at least the 10th instance of an escape or attack by an animal at a privately run North Carolina wildlife facility since 1997, according to the Humane Society of the United States.

No problems were found at Conservators Center near Burlington — the nonprofit facility where the latest attack occurred — during in-

spection by the USDA in January 2017 or April 2018, according to government reports. A government inspector counted 16 lions, three tigers and two leopards among 85 total animals during the 2018 site visit.

A 2016 federal tax filing shows the center earned about \$711,000 from gifts, grants and contributions while spending about \$600,000 operating the center that year. An online public records search indicates the center faced state

tax liens totaling thousands of dollars in 2017.

While the center is USDA-licensed, animal welfare advocates note that it's not accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums, which requires facilities to meet strict animal safety and security standards.

The Humane Society has urged North Carolina to go beyond the USDA licensing standards, arguing that it's among four states with particularly lax laws on private

ownership of dangerous wild animals.

The organization pushed for a 2015 bill to make it illegal to own lions, tigers and other wild carnivores unless a facility was accredited by AZA or met other strict standards. The bill passed the state House but not the Senate.

"The longer North Carolina does nothing as other states continue to pass stricter and stricter laws, North Carolina is going to see people coming into the

state with their collections of dangerous wild animals, and the problem is simply going to grow," said Lisa Wathne, the Humane Society's director of captive wildlife protection.

The center was founded in 1999 as an "educational nonprofit dedicated to providing a specialized home for select carnivore species," according to its website. The site says it houses 21 species and gets more than 16,000 visitors annually after starting public tours in 2007.

NEWS BRIEFING

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Comatose woman who had baby is hospitalized, police say

PHOENIX — An Arizona woman in a vegetative state who was sexually assaulted at a long-term care facility and had a baby is recovering at a hospital along with her child, authorities said Wednesday.

Commenting for the first time on the investigation since the Dec. 29 birth came to light, Phoenix police said finding a suspect is a top priority. Police are gathering DNA from all male employees at the

facility.

Hacienda HealthCare owns the care facility and said it welcomed the DNA testing. Authorities served a search warrant Tuesday.

Local news website Az-family.com first reported that the woman in a vegetative state for more than 10 years after a near-drowning had given birth to a boy.

It's unclear if staff members at the facility were aware of her pregnancy until the birth.

Republican senator signals interest in Trump's tax returns

WASHINGTON — Senate Finance Chairman Chuck Grassley said he's examining his authority to obtain President Donald Trump's tax returns, a move to ensure he could see any forms his Democratic counterpart in the House potentially receives.

Grassley said he's planning to meet with nonpartisan congressional tax advisers to learn more about the process. Under a dec-

ades-old law, the heads of the tax-writing committees in Congress can request the tax returns of any taxpayer, including the president, from the Treasury Department.

Still, the Iowa Republican cautioned Wednesday that he hasn't yet made a decision about whether he would ask Treasury to release the documents. Trump refused to release his tax returns during the 2016 campaign.

Amazon founder Jeff Bezos and wife divorcing after 25 years

SEATTLE — Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos and his wife, MacKenzie, are divorcing, ending a 25-year marriage that played a role in the creation of an e-commerce company that made Bezos one of the world's wealthiest people.

The decision to divorce comes after a trial separation, according to a statement posted Wednesday on his Twitter account.

Left unanswered was how the assets amassed

during the marriage will be divided.

Jeff Bezos' fortune hovers around \$137 billion, according to estimates by Forbes and Bloomberg. Virtually all of that is tied up in the nearly 79 million shares of Amazon stock (currently worth about \$130 billion) that he owns.

Because they married before Amazon was founded, it's likely that MacKenzie Bezos holds a large claim to that fortune.



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Catholic devotees jostle each other Wednesday as they compete to touch the Black Nazarene statue during the annual procession in Manila. Thousands of worshippers slowly pull the figure on a carriage through the city during an event attended by millions.

Iran confirms it has jailed American vet Michael White

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran confirmed Wednesday it is holding U.S. Navy veteran Michael White at a prison in the country, making him the first American known to be detained during President Donald Trump's administration.

White's detention adds new pressure to the tension between Iran and the U.S., which under Trump has pursued a maximalist campaign against Tehran that includes pulling out of its nuclear deal with world powers.

Although the circumstances of White's detention remain unclear, Iran in

the past has used its detention of Westerners and dual nationals as leverage in negotiations.

The semi-official Tasnim news agency, believed to be close to the paramilitary Revolutionary Guard, reported the confirmation, citing Foreign Ministry spokesman Bahram Ghasemi.

"An American citizen was arrested in the city of Mashhad some time ago and his case was conveyed to the U.S. administration on the first days" of his incarceration, Ghasemi was quoted as saying.

The State Department

said it was aware of reports of an American citizen's arrest, but was otherwise unable to comment.

White's mother, Joanne White, had told The New York Times that her 46-year-old son, who lives in Imperial Beach, Calif., went to Iran to see his girlfriend and had booked a July 27 flight back home to San Diego via the United Arab Emirates. She filed a missing person report with the State Department after he did not board the flight. She added that he had been undergoing treatment for a neck tumor and has asthma.

Jury sees El Chapo texts sent to wife while on run

NEW YORK — Text messages exchanged between notorious Mexican drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman and his wife while he was on the run in 2012 surfaced Wednesday at his U.S. trial, evidence the FBI says it uncovered with the help of a tech for the cartel who

flipped on the kingpin.

The tech, Christian Rodriguez, also testified how Guzman was obsessed with spyware he had Rodriguez install on mobile phones he gave to members of his inner circle to keep an eye on them. The software churned out reports on phone activity that are be-

ing used against Guzman.

Also saved were text messages between Guzman and his wife, Emma Coronel Aispuro, in which they touched on logistics for drug smuggling and shared encouragement as he fled a raid by authorities on a mansion in Cabo San Lucas, Baja.

Feds: Former commander at Gitmo slowed death probe

WASHINGTON — A former commander of the Navy base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, was arrested Wednesday on charges that he interfered with the investigation into the death of a civilian with whom he fought after an argument over whether the officer had an affair with the man's wife.

Navy Capt. John Nettleton remains on active duty, but he was removed from command shortly after civilian Christopher Tur was found floating in January 2015 in the waters off the base on the southeastern coast of Cuba.

Nettleton denied to his superior officer and others that he had the affair, but investigators later determined that it had happened, according to a federal indictment.

Nettleton was commander of the base since June 2012, but not the prison where suspected terrorists are held.

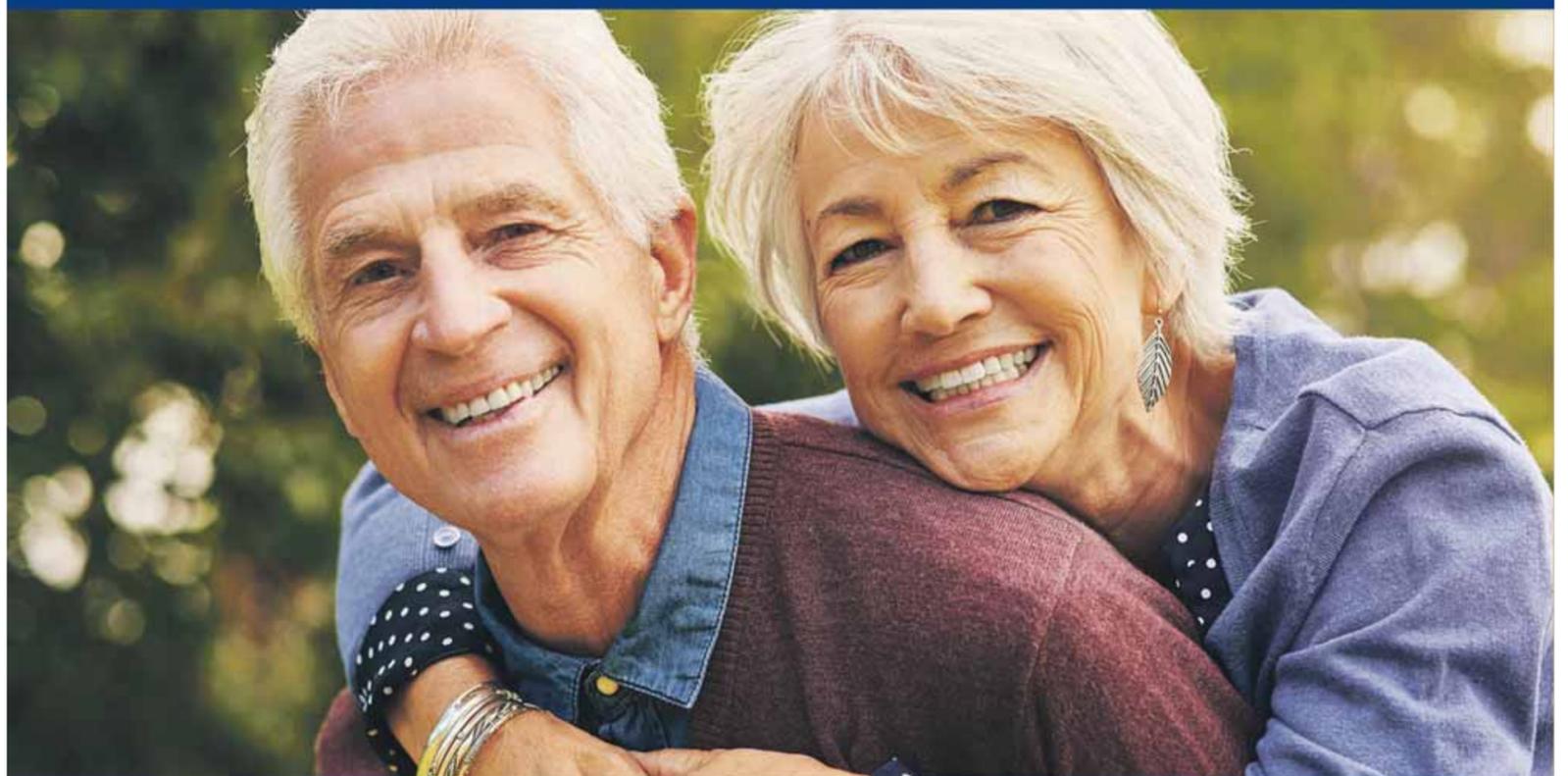
In LA: The union representing teachers in the nation's second-largest school district postponed a strike until Monday because of the possibility of a court-ordered delay. United Teachers Los Angeles had said its 35,000 members would walk off the job Thursday if a deal wasn't reached on pay raises and smaller classes.

Seeking asylum: A Saudi woman who fled her family to Thailand, alleging abuse, moved a step closer Wednesday to her goal of gaining asylum in Australia after a U.N. agency granted her refugee status.

Rahaf Mohammed Alqunun's father denied physically abusing her or trying to force her into an arranged marriage.

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EDITORIALS

The Burke blowback

The Chicago of political lore — envelopes of cash and gangster-driven politics — isn't the city of today. Well, not exactly. But the old Chicago isn't a distant memory, either. The fiefdoms and inside deals that squeeze and abuse taxpayers still exist. Can machine politics be destroyed? Will Chicago ever go completely straight? With one allegedly corrupt alderman awaiting trial, the dean of the City Council accused of wrongdoing and an election approaching, fed-up voters will get their say in rejecting unsavory tradition.

Shady Chicago dates back a century and more, but we'll start the clock in 1948, when a University of Chicago law student named Abner Mikva sought to volunteer in a political campaign. So he visited the local ward committeeman. "Who sent you?" the committeeman demanded. "Nobody," Mikva answered, according to author Milton Rakove. "We don't want nobody nobody sent," the committeeman declared.

Political self-dealing, exemplified by that cynical quote, shows itself too frequently in Chicago. As does graft. Since 1972, 33 aldermen have been convicted of crimes related to official duties. The litany of wrongdoing includes embezzlement, accepting bribes, ghost payroll and the alderman who got a new tile floor in his basement from a grocer who needed a liquor license. Now attention is riveted on federal prosecution of Ald. Edward Burke.

Burke, of the 14th Ward, has wielded enormous power in the City Council as the longtime chair of the Finance Committee. He's accused of trying to coerce the owners of a Burger King franchise into becoming his law client by holding up the permitting process for a restaurant under renovation. It's not exactly the "nobody nobody sent" paradigm. More like an allegation of "Don't give quick permit approvals to somebody unless somebody benefits."

The Burke case comes at a propitious time for residents rooting to clean up Chicago. Municipal elections arrive on Feb. 26, with early voting beginning soon. It's amazing how candidates for mayor suddenly are sounding off in favor of good governance.

Gery Chico wants to see an end to the tradition of aldermanic privilege when it

Voters, what kind of Chicago do you want?



Ald. Edward Burke arrives home after turning himself in Dec. 3 at the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse in Chicago. Burke is accused of trying to shake down a restaurant owner.

comes to the approval of permits. Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle said Burke should resign from the City Council. She also said she would return \$116,000 raised for her at a fundraiser at Burke's house. Anyway, it seems she hardly knows him. Preckwinkle said she's had "little contact and no relationship with the alderman."

Bill Daley, son and brother of two mayors, said the way to fix a corruption-prone city is to change the political system. He advocates reducing the number of aldermen from 50 to 15.

"It's shocking that this sort of stuff continues," Daley said, and he's right, assuming he isn't suggesting anyone also should be surprised.

Back in 1971, columnist Mike Royko wrote a book, "Boss," about Daley's father, Mayor Richard J. Daley, and the Chicago political machine. "There are so many deals involving ranking members of the

Machine," Royko wrote, "that it has been suggested that the city slogan be changed from *Urbs In Horto*, which means 'City in a Garden,' to *Ubi Est Mea*, which means 'Where's mine?'" A year later, Ald. Fred Hubbard pleaded guilty to embezzling nearly \$100,000 from a federally funded jobs program. He became the first of the convicted 33.

At present, Burke isn't the only alderman at risk of being No. 34. Ald. Willie Cochran, 20th, is scheduled for trial June 3, having been accused of spending charitable money raised for his ward on his personal expenses.

A different situation involves the office of Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown, also a candidate for mayor. The feds have been investigating her for years. Investigators revealed through court filings that a Brown employee told them it cost \$10,000 to buy a job in her office. She has



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Ex-Ald. Fred Hubbard peers out a window as he is driven to prison in 1972 for embezzling nearly \$100,000 from a jobs program.

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not been criminally charged and has denied wrongdoing. Citing the allegations against Burke, Brown states on her campaign website: "Machine Politics must go, it has oppressed Chicago citizens long enough."

We're certain all candidates for mayor and alderman will attest that corruption is a scourge. Many will blame the faceless machine and assert they can help defeat it.

Voters, you'll be able to weigh each candidate's vow to clean up Chicago. You'll consider who is best positioned to lead with integrity and independence.

You can help change Chicago. Each of you can be the somebody nobody sent.

She had rebuked Madigan. On Wednesday, she persisted.

Michael Madigan was re-elected speaker of the Illinois House on Wednesday afternoon with a dozen votes to spare. He needed 60. He received 72. Democrats elected on Nov. 6 overwhelmingly anointed him to his 35th year as speaker. Except for one Democrat.

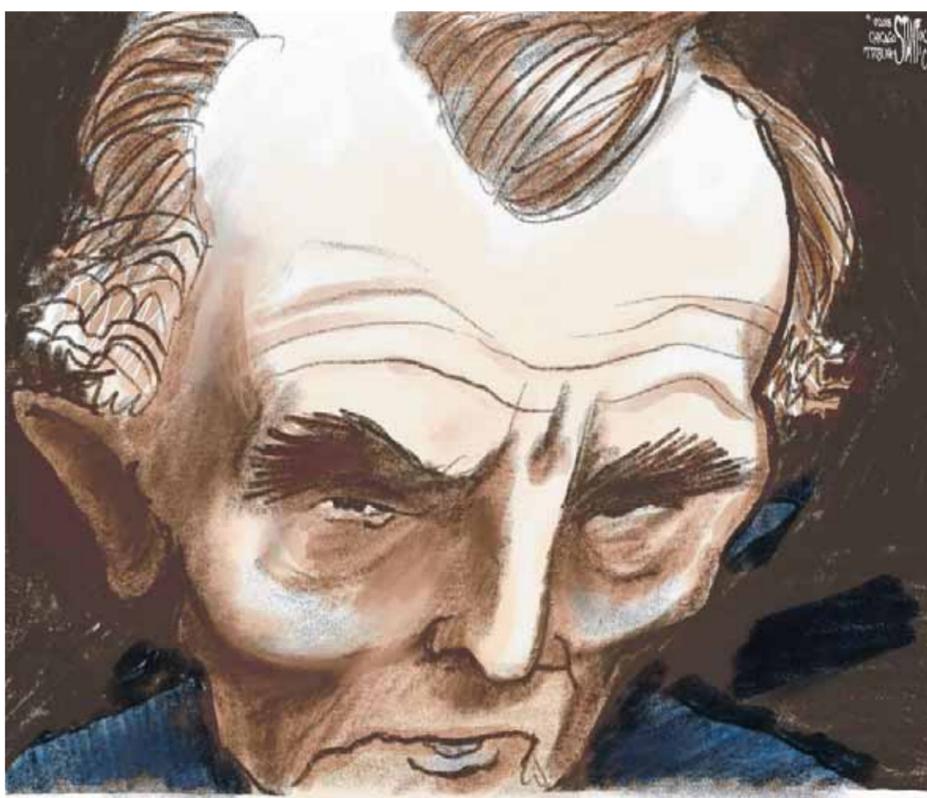
Freshman Rep. Anne Stava-Murray of Naperville voted "present" during the roll call. As a newcomer who had declined help from Madigan and the Democratic Party during her campaign, Stava-Murray said she had been pressured to support him for Wednesday's vote. She did not.

One other member of the Democratic caucus was absent from the ceremony — Lou Lang, D-Skokie, who announced Monday he would resign his seat to take a lobbying job. He wasn't on stage and might have been busy preparing for a 2 p.m. party he was hosting at a restaurant a few blocks from the Capitol. There were lots of celebrations. We won't count how many reps and senators report to their first day on the job hungover.

Every other House Democrat elected in November voted for Madigan, even those who on the campaign trail said it was time for him to go or wished he would retire or vowed to be independent or squirmed at the question. When push came to shove, only one of 73 Democrats didn't vote for Madigan.

Remember that, voters, if a candidate said something different at your doorstep or in a mail piece or at a forum. They all, except for Stava-Murray, got behind him.

House Republicans voted unanimously for leader Jim Durkin of Western Springs, which was a matter of house-keeping, not a genuine threat to



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deny Madigan his speakership. Republicans hold only 44 seats to the Democrats' 74. They're firmly in the minority.

Other news floating through Springfield, besides the receptions and parties scheduled until at least 2 a.m. Thursday, included the indictment of former state Rep. Nick Sauer, a Republican from Lake Barrington. Sauer resigned his seat in August after an ex-girlfriend accused him of posting unauthorized nude photos of her on social media. A Lake

County grand jury indicted him on 12 felony charges for allegedly violating privacy laws.

Just another day in Illinois. Ho-hum.

Otherwise, inauguration day for legislators went as planned, as usual. The same leaders will run the House and Senate: Madigan and Durkin, and Democratic President John Cullerton and Republican leader Bill Brady in the Senate.

One change agent could disrupt the cozy status quo: Gov-

elect J.B. Pritzker, whose inauguration is scheduled for Monday. Pritzker mingled with House members on stage at their swearing-in ceremony. He was the buzz. The circle of politicians waiting to shake his hand and snap a selfie marked him as more popular than any other figure in Springfield, even Secretary of State Jesse White.

Pritzker was, and is, the man of the hour. Every hour, as long as the honeymoon lasts. The clock starts now.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Maybe what we learned from the shutdown is that for all of the talk, all of the money, all of the skyrocketing debt, the federal government is mostly non-essential. The State Department? Mostly unnecessary and designed for another era. If the president wants to talk to the leader of Burkina Faso, he can send him an email. Instead of the diplomacy in service of American interests, State has become mostly a colonial office for our post Cold War policy of moral imperialism. ... It gets worse from there. The myriad departments and agencies, variously referred to as the bureaucracy, the administrative state, or more malevolently the deep state, represent much of the swamp that President Trump promised to drain. In that regard, the partial shutdown can be seen as consistent with his larger platform. But he should make it permanent. ...

Propose the permanent shuttering of non-essential Cabinet level departments. Closing the Department of Energy would save \$32.5 billion, Department of Commerce, \$61.8 billion, and the Department of Education, \$59.9 billion. ... President Reagan tried to close the Department of Education in 1981. And the current Secretary of Energy, Rick Perry, proposed closing his own department when running for president.

Are they really non-essential? In a word, yes. But let me put it in perspective with a few questions: The Department of Education was created in 1979. Does anyone believe that American education has improved since then? Does anyone think American commerce would cease if the department were closed?

Christopher Buskirk,
 Spectator USA

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President Donald Trump speaks after attending a Senate GOP policy lunch Wednesday. The president was seeking to shore up support for his border wall proposal.

On the border, Trump builds a wall of lies



STEVE CHAPMAN

Donald Trump's insistence that the nation faces a crisis of illegal immigration that requires a wall sealing off our southern border is notable for being false not only overall but in every particular. It brings to mind Voltaire's remark that the Holy Roman Empire was neither holy nor Roman nor an empire.

The president's Oval Office address Tuesday was the latest confirmation that on immigration, even more than on other topics, truth is his mortal foe. He doesn't contribute to the public debate; he pollutes it.

There is no epidemic of unauthorized entry from Mexico. In fact, the number of people apprehended trying to sneak in peaked nearly 20 years ago and has greatly shrunk. Last year, it was less than a quarter of what it was then. If Trump were shrewd, he would declare that his tough approach has been so successful that the wall is no longer necessary.

Instead, he used his prime-time TV appearance in a stubborn effort to stoke panic, citing the supposed

threat of terrorists pouring in. But the administration's claim that thousands of suspected terrorists were seized trying to enter in 2017 has been exposed as thunderously irrelevant.

Almost all arrived on commercial airliners, which can easily pass over walls of any design, length or material. Only six foreigners on terrorist watchlists, it turns out, were nabbed at the southern land border.

Even that number overstates the phenomenon. Julian Sanchez, an analyst at the libertarian Cato Institute, tweeted, "When you see 'on the terror watchlist,' don't imagine that actually means 'terrorist.' In most cases it means 'has name, possibly quite common, matching some sort of derogatory intel.' A supposed bad guy on some list or other shares my name; I get stopped often."

In 2017, the State Department acknowledged it had "no credible information that any member of a terrorist group has traveled through Mexico to gain access to the United States." Even if it were impossible to circumvent, the wall would block about as many Islamic State operatives as it would polar bears.

But the wall would not be impossible to circumvent. Trump has lauded the barrier erected on the border in San Diego as a model for his project, but the Congressional Research Service concluded that it "did not

have a discernible impact on the influx of unauthorized aliens coming across the border in San Diego."

Faced with a wall, smugglers can bring in people in places not covered by the structure, through tunnels under it, in cars or commercial trucks passing through checkpoints, or over saltwater. In 2017, the Border Patrol reported, 347 migrants were caught after trying to reach the California coast by boat, an option long used by Cubans and Haitians.

But most foreigners in the U.S. illegally don't need to find such routes. The majority of them travel here on valid temporary visas and then choose not to leave. For them, Trump's wall would be a distant curiosity.

The idea that there is a newfound emergency is contradicted by Trump's own record. He pushed the wall as a presidential candidate, but the number of apprehensions on the southern border is lower today than it was then. Undocumented migration has been around for decades, at no overall harm to public safety or national security. States that attract lots of foreigners who are not authorized to be in the U.S. typically see a decline in crime.

The recent surge of Central Americans migrating to the U.S. may be a humanitarian crisis, but not one a wall would relieve. Foreigners who arrive

at the border are legally entitled to request asylum. Hondurans and Salvadorans fleeing rampant violence would keep doing so even if a 2,000-mile concrete barrier were in place.

Trump said piously that "America proudly welcomes millions of lawful immigrants who enrich our society and contribute to our nation." But he has pushed legislation that would reduce legal immigration by half. He has also slashed admissions of refugees.

Trump's proposed wall rests on the fantasy that the contiguous 48 states, whose perimeter extends 11,000 miles, can be sealed off from humans who desperately want to be here. If we want to sharply reduce the number of foreigners coming illegally, there is one and only one plausible way to do it: sharply increase the number allowed to come legally.

Yet the administration spurns that option. Why? Because its real goal is keeping out foreigners, legal or otherwise.

In theory, Trump could honestly say that. But honesty is a habit he never acquired.

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Cook County Board President George Dunne, left, shown in 1974 with Mayor Richard J. Daley, also had a lucrative insurance business.

Part-time aldermen are no bargain for Chicago taxpayers

BY ALBERT W. ALSCHULER

Last week federal prosecutors charged Chicago Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, with attempted extortion. They alleged that Burke obstructed a construction project while pressuring a restaurant owner to hire Burke's law firm to do tax work. If the government's allegations are true, Burke made the mistake of talking on a wire-tapped line about the sort of transaction that usually is left to winks and nods. When left to implication, transactions like his are nearly impossible to prosecute, and they have enriched many Chicago politicians.

One of these politicians was George Dunne, an associate of Mayor Richard J. Daley who succeeded Daley as chairman of the Cook County Democratic Party. Dunne held public office from 1955 through 1991 — as a state representative, a member of the Cook County Board of Commissioners and then, for 21 years, as the longest serving president of the board.

Dunne's governmental positions were part-time (in theory), so nothing prevented him from establishing the Near North Insurance Brokerage in 1962. Lacking any business or insurance background, Dunne spent little time managing his business, but he prospered. (When he decided not to run for re-election, he sold the brokerage to its CEO, Michael Segal. Segal's 2004 racketeering conviction led to Near North's forfeiture to the government. By

then, the business had more than 800 employees, occupied a full floor of the John Hancock Center and earned more than \$100 million a year in commissions.)

How did Dunne convert his public offices into cash? Near North's services were as good as those of other brokerages, and it cost no more to buy insurance there. If you just might want a favor from Dunne someday, why not patronize his brokerage?

And perhaps there was more to it than that. The first blank on the certificate of insurance needed to obtain a liquor license in Cook County — the line before the one for the applicant's name — required the name of the applicant's insurance broker. If a submitted form listed a brokerage other than Near North, rumor had it that the application was likely to be misplaced for a time or perhaps forever.

Even if the rumor was false, it was probably good for business. Anticipated or perceived extortion can have the same effect as extortion itself. And if the rumor was true, Dunne might not have taken an active part. Grateful patronage appointees might have favored Near North on their own.

For a time, Dunne was chairman of the Cook County Board's Finance Committee. The current chairman of that committee, John Daley, is the son of one former mayor, the brother of another and the brother of a third Daley who is now seeking that office. John Daley, an insurance broker who once worked for Near North, has acknowledged

making more than \$400,000 a year by securing insurance policies for businesses with government contracts. The policies he supplies do not insure his clients' government projects, and Daley always votes "present" when resolutions to approve public payments to his clients come before the committee.

America has a long tradition of part-time public service, and the tradition may seem romantic. In some states, farmers still leave their plows to serve in brief legislative sessions every odd year. Many towns smaller than Chicago do not need full-time mayors and council members, and elected officials there often would be unable to serve if they had to give up their day jobs.

In Chicago, however, nominally part-time aldermen supervise substantial office staffs of full-time employees. Many aldermen in fact work for the city full time and find their six-figure public salaries sufficient. Only a minority are rainmakers for law firms, insurance agencies and real estate brokerages. Their private businesses, however, provide an effective and lawful way for influence-seekers to turn on the spigot. Perhaps allowing Chicago aldermen to pocket outside income enables the city to pay them less, but the deal turns out to be no bargain for taxpayers.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Shutdown's the greater danger

Many a U.S. representative or senator has had to wrestle with deciding between doing what is right for the nation and doing what he or she thinks is popular with the voting base. Senate Republicans are currently dealing with this problem. The current shutdown is the third one of 2018, with this latest one flowing into 2019. They know that the president's demand for a border wall is fiscally unsound. They have seen the pictures of closed national sites and garbage piling up in sites partially opened. Will air traffic controllers and Transportation Security Administration agents continue to report to work? This shutdown is more dangerous to our national security than the lack of a wall.

Sen. Mitch McConnell said he would not put forth a bill to reopen the government that the president is sure to veto. Just before Christmas there was a bipartisan deal in the Senate with nary a "no" vote that the president said he would consider signing. Then he changed his mind. The changing whims of this president should not be the concern of thoughtful U.S. senators over a year before any of them run in a primary.

Many decades ago, President John F. Kennedy received two different communications from Premier Nikita Khrushchev of the Soviet Union during the Cuban missile crisis. The first note was quite conciliatory, the second one aggressive. It was obvious that both he and our current president changed their attitudes after speaking with more hawkish colleagues. JFK responded to note No. 1.

Sen. McConnell should do the same.
— Jan Goldberg, Riverside

Shutdown hurts homes, lives

At Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, we believe in the power of homeownership to strengthen families and neighborhoods. As part of this mission, we help seniors and fixed-income homeowners with porch and roof repairs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These repairs help homeowners stay in their homes, and prevent them from needing more expensive taxpayer-funded senior rental housing if they are forced out of their homes due to an inability to maintain the property.

If the shutdown continues, this program will stop, as will the work by the people we employ and the important repairs contractors are responsible for. Ours is just one of the myriad helpful and cost-effective affordable housing programs that are funded by the federal government. This is a program that makes sense. It also makes cents for the taxpayer in that it precludes the use of more expensive intervention that is needed once a senior loses his or her home.

Political disagreements may be causing this shutdown, but its effects are far-reaching and will cause real harm to many hardworking Chicagoans if a compromise is not reached soon. Each of us can help end this detrimental shutdown by picking up the phone to our congressional leaders and the White House to convey the urgency of this situation.

— Kristin Faust, president, Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago

How to pacify Trump

As a public service, I offer the following solution to the border wall stalemate. I recommend Congress authorize a bill to fund \$5 billion to be spent on the purchase of 5 billion Donald J. Trump monogrammed baby pacifiers. These pacifiers would be transported to our southern border to provide a barrier of sorts. The president gets both his \$5 billion and a bonus of having his name emblazoned on The Wall. We get our government back, and allow the adults to get back to the business of running the country.

— Roger Gallentine, Geneva

Recipe writer's exit

My Sunday reading of the Tribune always involves saving the Life+Style section for last — knowing there'll be a lovely essay and recipe from Leah Eskin.

My husband and I are long-term subscribers to the Tribune.

I'm so sorry to read today's essay ("A fond farewell — with cookies," Jan. 6) saying goodbye to her readers. I own her book, which is stuffed with cutout recipes from the Sunday paper.

Please, please reconsider — Ms. Eskin is a voice of calm and reasonableness in this chaotic world and already missed.

— Linda Clark, Villa Park

I'm a transgender Republican, but my party is marginalizing me

BY JENNIFER N. PRITZKER

To me, restrictions on transgender military service are personal. I am a transgender woman. Before my transition, I served as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army. I am proud of the value I provided the military during my 27-year career.

I am also a Republican who generously supports my party. While Democrats accept the pronoun I prefer, I firmly believe the best government is that which governs least. It's a mistake for the Republican Party to ask me to choose between my true identity and my philosophy of government.

For much of my life, I couldn't explore my femininity without significant risk. If the military discovered I dressed as a woman, felt like a woman and identified as a woman, my career would have ended immediately.

My wish is that more Americans understood the expression of gender. The medical community has known for decades that sex and gender cannot be determined solely by birth anatomy or chromosomes. There are many physical, social and psychological elements that form a person's gender identity. Transgender people such as myself need to express our internal identity so that others can see us as we see ourselves. Think of this internal pull like a north-seeking compass. Whenever it is used, the compass will point to true north. Femininity is my true north.

I've grown frustrated as I watch this Republican administration push to ban transgender military service. Anti-transgender platforms are causing me to evaluate my party support.

I have supported many Republicans in elections. The Republican Party more closely aligns with my beliefs in a less interventionist government. Democratic Party policies can be too costly and restrictive on citizens. Lowering regulations helps protect people's individual rights with private property, business and investments. Increasing taxes and creating or adding to government agencies are not a guaranteed solution to any problem.

I have hoped the Republican Party would reform from within and end its assault on the LGBTQ community. Yet,



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The Human Rights Campaign with "equality flags" in Washington in 2017.

the party continues to champion policies that marginalize me out of existence, define me as an eccentric character and persecute me for using the public restrooms that correspond to my gender identity.

As a result, the GOP's positions have forced me to refocus my attention away from its agendas I support. Instead, I find myself focusing on issues to protect myself and others like me. Every dollar spent defending transgender rights is one dollar less I can contribute toward other party initiatives.

Our Republican leaders are smart, but they too often react to rhetoric based on emotion, not on science and research. I urge President Donald Trump, other Republicans and those who demonize the transgender community to consult qualified experts and evaluate alternative points of view and facts to make informed decisions.

The military doesn't benefit when it excludes transgender people from its success. In combat, gender identity is irrelevant. When 300 people jump from an aircraft in flight in one-second intervals, what matters is getting the job done.

When states propose restrictions on bathroom accommodations for transgender people, a vocal minority preys on

people's irrational fears for their safety. I remind them, it's against the law for anyone, anywhere, at any time to harass or violate others.

And consider that discrimination, violence and rejection contribute to a 41 percent attempted suicide rate among transgender Americans, compared with 4.6 percent for the general U.S. population, as the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention has reported.

I ask Republicans to prioritize policies that improve our country for all Americans. When the GOP asks me to deliver six- or seven-figure contributions for the 2020 elections, my first response will be: Why should I contribute to my own destruction?

The Washington Post

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Key details in flux, but Lincoln Yards is ready

Development already on Plan Commission's Jan 24 agenda to present updated plan



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

A day after confirming it will scrap plans for a 20,000-seat soccer stadium and Live Nation Entertainment music venues in the proposed Lincoln Yards development, Sterling Bay on Wednesday said it expects to present revised plans to the

Chicago Plan Commission in just over two weeks.

Ald. Brian Hopkins, 2nd, on Wednesday confirmed he supports the unusual step of having the Plan Commission consider the ambitious \$5 billion-plus project before the community at large has an opportunity to weigh in on it. Sterling Bay's proposal is on the commission's Jan. 24 agenda, although Hopkins said he hasn't decided whether he will support the project.

That's traditionally not how Chicago gets built.

It's the latest twist for Lincoln Yards, a plan years in the making

to convert 70 acres or more of industrial land on the Chicago River into more than 12 million square feet of office, residential, hotel, retail and entertainment space along Lincoln Park and Bucktown. The project is one of the biggest and most complicated ever proposed on the city's North Side, and Sterling Bay has faced questions from neighbors on a range of issues, including Lincoln Yards' impact on traffic, nearby businesses, schools and public transportation.

Two previous community meetings drew several hundred people each.

On Tuesday, Hopkins and the developer announced the elimination of a retractable-roof stadium to support a United Soccer



League franchise owned by Cubs owner Tom Ricketts and Sterling Bay, as well as a nearby entertainment district with as many as five venues that Live Nation Entertainment was to have operated.

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Developer Sterling Bay plans to convert 70 acres or more of industrial land into Lincoln Yards, more than 12 million square feet of office, residential, hotel, retail space.

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McDonald's to offer new specials for bacon lovers

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ
Chicago Tribune

McDonald's is doubling down on America's love affair with bacon by offering limited-time bacon twists on three of its classic menu items.

The Big Mac Bacon and Quarter Pounder Bacon will each feature three slabs of thick-cut applewood bacon atop the otherwise familiar burgers, while Cheesy Bacon Fries will be blanketed with cheddar cheese and smoked bacon bits, the company announced Wednesday.

"People love bacon, and they love our iconic Big Mac, fresh beef Quarter Pounder burgers and World Famous Fries, so we had to see what would happen if we combined all that tastiness," Chef Michael Haracz, McDonald's Manager of Culinary Innovation, said in a news release.

The menu items will be offered at participating U.S. restaurants starting Jan. 30 for a limited time, though the company did not say how long that time would be.

The new products are the first of 2019 for Chicago-based McDonald's, which has been trying to figure out how to attract and retain customers amid stiff competition.

Last year the chain announced it would use only fresh beef for its Quarter Pounders and also introduced Buttermilk Crispy Tenders and Triple Breakfast Stacks, a tower of two sausage patties, American cheese, egg and bacon.

During the company's last earnings call in October, CEO Steve Easterbrook hinted that there would be more new product offerings to come.

Bacon, whose popularity has surged over the past decade, is a good bet. Last year people ate bacon on 4.2 billion occasions, and 31 percent of the time they ate it while dining out, according to Kim McLynn, spokeswoman for the market research firm NPD Group. Case shipments of bacon from food-service distributors to eating and drinking establishments increased by 5 percent last year, she said.

Cheesy Bacon Fries were offered for a limited time in Hawaii, Northern California and McDonald's Chicago global headquarters last year, and were positively received in each market, spokeswoman Andrea Abate said.

Bacon is already a staple on the McDonald's menu, which features the meat in various salads and breakfast items as well as its Bacon Smokehouse burgers and chicken sandwiches and a Bacon McDouble.

Pricing for the new items will vary by restaurant but on average will be \$5.19 to \$5.39 for the Big Mac Bacon, \$5.29 to \$5.49 for the Quarter Pounder Bacon, and \$3.15 to \$3.45 for the Cheesy Bacon Fries, Abate said.

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FORD

The sixth-generation three-row Explorer, made in Chicago, has rear-wheel-drive architecture with more powerful engine offerings and increased towing capacity and interior room.

2020 Explorers to be made in Chicago

Ford's redesigned SUV will be rear-wheel-drive

BY ROBERT DUFFER
Chicago Tribune

Ford launched the fully redesigned 2020 Explorer on Tuesday in advance of the 2019 North American International Auto Show in Detroit. The best-selling three-row crossover, built in Chicago, has more power, more space, better technology and all that. But it's returning to its roots with rear-wheel-drive architecture.

Moving from front-wheel drive like most other crossovers to rear-wheel drive boosts sportiness, towing capability and larger passenger accommodations, Ford said in a statement.

It is a vital vehicle for Ford, whose crossover lineup has grown stale amid a booming crossover market.

"The competition has been

gaining on the aging Explorer, and Ford has leaned heavily on incentives to augment sales," said Jeremy Acevedo, manager of industry analysis at Edmunds.com. "The Explorer redesign is coming at the perfect time for Ford — it will not only help stave off the incoming competition, but also curb incentive spending."

As it has for the past 29 years, Explorer reflects the changing tastes of the American consumer when it comes to the family hauler.

Originally based on the Ford Ranger midsize pickup truck when it launched for model year 1991, Explorer replaced the smaller two-door Bronco II. In four-door form, it competed with the Jeep Cherokee and Isuzu Trooper, which had started to squeeze in amid all

the large off-road SUVs of the time, including Ford's own Bronco. It was rugged like those truck-based SUVs but had the roominess to persuade family car shoppers away from the minivan.

Despite an ugly and fatal failure of Firestone tires that caused Explorers to roll over, prompting a massive recall in 2001, the Explorer sold record numbers in 2000 and continued to sell well in the new millennium. For the redesigned third-generation 2002 model, the Explorer moved off the Ranger platform and away from the ruggedness of its predecessor. An independent four-wheel suspension as well as an available third-row bench seat firmly put the Explorer in the family vehicle category. The manual transmission and two-door configuration

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Advocate joins group creating drug company

Civica Rx intent on battling shortages, cutting hospital costs

BY LISA SCHENCKER
Chicago Tribune

Advocate Aurora Health, one of the largest hospital systems in the Chicago area, has teamed up with a large group of hospitals intent on battling shortages of generic drugs and bringing down the cost of those medications by making their own.

If the venture is successful, the hospitals could pay up to 50 percent less for some drugs — savings that potentially could be passed on to patients.

It was announced this week that Advocate Aurora, which operates 27 hospitals in Illinois and Wisconsin, has joined Civica Rx, a not-for-profit generic drug company established last year by philanthropic groups and seven other health systems that were fed up with generic drug shortages in hospitals and high prices.

The parent companies of Loyola Medicine and Franciscan Health Olympia Fields are also members of Civica Rx.

In exchange for investments in Civica Rx, Advocate and the other systems will help decide which drugs the company will produce and will be able to buy those drugs in the future. Neither Advocate nor Civica Rx would disclose Advocate's investment. The idea is that Civica Rx will supply the hospitals with a more reliable stream of generic drugs, at affordable prices, so hospitals can provide quality care possible to patients at a lower cost.

"If there's a medication shortage or a pharmaceutical company is charging an arm and a leg for a medication, that has a negative impact on our patients," said Rick Klein, Advocate Aurora chief business development officer, in an email. "This creates a manufacturing and distribution infrastructure that will allow us to

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Old Post Office gets third tenant

Regional planning agency to move about 100 employees in

BY RYAN ORI
Chicago Tribune

Chicago's regional planning agency is mapping out its future in a building from the city's past.

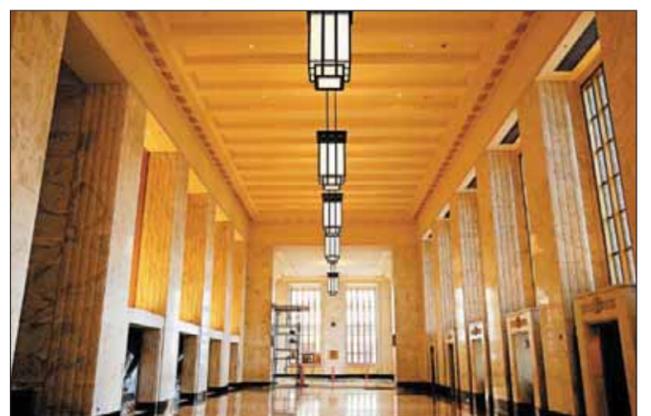
The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning said it will move its offices to 47,000 square feet of space in the former old main post office building in summer 2020.

CMAP signed a 15-year lease

in the long-vacant structure at 433 W. Van Buren St., now called the Old Post Office, CMAP Executive Director Joseph Szabo said. CMAP will move out of about 51,000 square feet in the only building it has called home, 110-story Willis Tower, directly across the Chicago River from the vacant post office.

"Part of the value proposition is, as regional planners, we focus a lot on reuse and preservation," Szabo said. "Going into the post office, at a significant cost savings, is very consistent with CMAP's mission."

CMAP has about 100 em-



ployees. The agency is focused on long-term regional planning, covering seven counties in the Chicago area.

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning signed a 15-year lease in the long-vacant structure at 433 W. Van Buren St.

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Lincoln Yards already on Plan Commission agenda

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Hopkins asked Sterling Bay to redraw its master plan, converting the stadium land to park space and changing the proposed entertainment district to a less dense grouping of restaurants, theaters and other smaller structures.

"We look forward to presenting at Plan Commission on the 24th," Sterling Bay spokeswoman Sarah Hamilton said Wednesday. "We're moving along at the alderman's direction."

The expected changes appear to have opened the door for a compromise that could bring the zoning process toward a conclusion.

Yet adding Sterling Bay's proposal to the meeting's agenda is unusual because key details of any

changes haven't been made public. It's a departure from the tradition of Chicago's zoning process — often referred to as aldermanic privilege or aldermanic prerogative — in which planned developments typically are brought forward only after the project's alderman has offered a full-throated endorsement.

In this case, Hopkins said he's yet to offer his support as he awaits details of Sterling Bay's changes. He downplayed the timing, saying he still reserves the right to pull the proposal from the meeting's agenda if the upcoming changes do not have sufficient public support.

"I'm still withholding my support," Hopkins said. "I may or may not have a statement of definitive support at the Plan Com-

mission meeting. There's still work to be done. We'll see if Sterling Bay is able to hit the target with their next attempt to revise the master plan."

There will not be a third large public meeting on the project before the next scheduled Plan Commission meeting, though, and it's unclear whether the alderman will schedule one afterward. Hopkins said he'll review Sterling Bay's revised changes with community groups individually before deciding whether to sign off on the presentation at the Plan Commission.

Typically, a project approved by the Plan Commission swiftly advances to the City Council's zoning committee, then for final approval by the full council. If the Lincoln Yards follows tradition, an approved plan

could be in place early this year.

Further complicating the timing of the Plan Commission meeting: It comes before a Feb. 19 meeting of the city's Community Development Commission to weigh a proposal for \$800 million in tax increment financing for infrastructure improvements, including new bridges, on and around the Lincoln Yards site.

"If I need to slow down the advancement between the Plan Commission meeting and the zoning committee for further community participation, I am more than willing to do that," Hopkins said. "We're not at the goal line yet. We're not even in the red zone."

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Advocate joins group to create drug company

Civica Rx, from Page 1

ensure access to the medications our patients need at a price they can afford."

In recent years, hospitals have struggled with shortages of drugs that have included an intravenous fluid meant to help replenish patients' electrolytes, certain blood thinners, and some forms of the tissue-numbing medication lidocaine, among others. Drug companies often blame increasing demand and manufacturing issues for shortages.

Nearly 90 percent of all prescriptions filled in the U.S. are for generic drugs, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Generic drugs tend to cost less than brand-name medications, but even prices for generics can skyrocket, especially when they're in short supply.

"A lot of the shortage drugs, because there are so few vendors for these drugs, have prices that are completely inappropriate for our patients," said Heather Wall, chief commercial officer for Civica Rx, which is headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Compounding the issue, many hospitals also have faced financial woes in recent years because reimbursements from government insurance programs have not kept pace with the cost of care. Unpaid medical bills and growing costs associated with information technology and drugs have also posed financial challenges. In 2017, Advocate announced about \$200 million in cuts due to some of those pressures.

Civica Rx expects that for some of the drugs it produces, it will be able to lower the prices paid by hospitals by 35 percent to 50 percent.

Civica Rx has already selected 14 hospital-administered generic drugs to focus on this year. Wall declined to identify the drugs, but she said Civica

Rx is working to bring them to market in the second half of the year. Civica Rx is working to gain approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to become a manufacturer, and it plans to either directly manufacture the drugs or contract with other manufacturers.

Across the country, systems representing about 750 hospitals have so far joined the effort.

Initially, only hospitals — not individual consumers — will be able to purchase Civica Rx's medications, though that could eventually change, Wall said. Only those hospitals that have signed on as members of Civica Rx will be able to buy the drugs.

The Association for Accessible Medicines, a generic drug industry group, welcomes "competition in any form" and looks forward to discussing the issues facing the industry with Civica Rx at the group's annual meeting next month, said Rachel Schwartz, a spokeswoman for the association, in a statement.

At least two other members of Civica Rx also have hospitals in Illinois, including SSM Health, with hospitals in southern Illinois, and UnityPoint Health, with hospitals in Peoria and in the Quad Cities.

Other governing members of Civica Rx include Catholic Health Initiatives, the Gary and Mary West Foundation, HCA Healthcare, Intermountain Healthcare, Laura & John Arnold Foundation, Mayo Clinic, the Peterson Center on Healthcare, Providence St. Joseph Health and Trinity Health. Other founding members include Allegheny Health Network, Baptist Health South Florida, Franciscan Alliance, Memorial Hermann, NYU Langone Health, Ochsner Health System, Sanford Health and Spectrum Health.

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CMAP to become third office tenant

Post Office, from Page 1

The regional agency is the third, and smallest, office tenant to sign a lease during the ongoing \$800 million-plus redevelopment of the Old Post Office by New York-based 601W Cos.

Deerfield-based Walgreens in June announced plans to move 1,800 workers into about 200,000 square feet in the building this fall. In December, Oakbrook Terrace-based Ferrara Candy said it will move the company's headquarters there this summer, with plans to have about 400 workers in 77,000 square feet.

CMAP was represented in the lease by Sheila Samii Matuscak, Kelly Connolly and Allen Rogoway of Cresa. Leasing brokers for 601W were Steve Smith

and Dan Heckman of the Telos Group.

Most of CMAP's space will be on the fourth floor, next to Walgreens. The agency also will have a space for larger meetings above its offices, on the fifth floor, Szabo said.

CMAP has been in its current offices since 2006, when the agency was formed by combining the Northeast Illinois Planning Commission and the Chicago Area Transportation Study groups. At the time, the skyscraper was known as Sears Tower.

The agency decided to move because of an ongoing renovation of Willis Tower, including an expansion of the building's base for new retail, which is pushing up rents significantly, Szabo said.

By moving, CMAP is able to reconfigure its of-

fices into less overall space, at a lower rental rate than it would have paid to renew its Willis Tower lease, he said.

Factoring in the property tax benefits of moving into a recently landmarked building, CMAP will pay 22 percent less over the life of the 15-year lease than it would have in its current tower, Matuscak said.

"It really was about what provided the best value for the taxpayers, as a public agency," Szabo said. "We represent the entire region, and we have meetings going on in our building almost every day. So access to transportation was also important."

"We were able to achieve that at the post office, at a tolerable price point."

Part of the space CMAP is moving into was once the

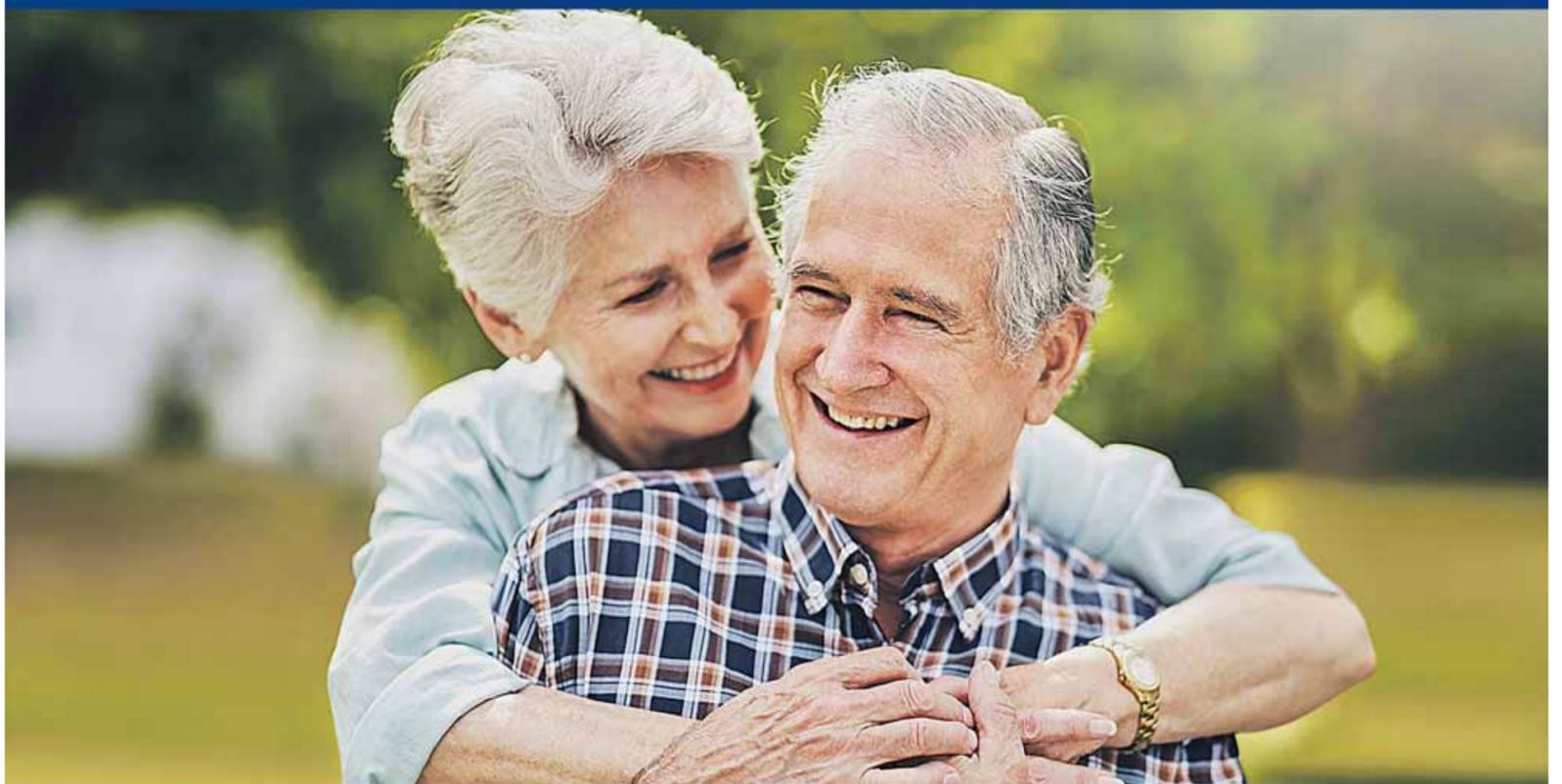
postmaster general's suites, which will be renovated to their original look, Smith said.

The 2.8 million-square-foot Old Post Office, along the west edge of the river, has been vacant since 1996. When it's fully leased, the building is expected to house about 17,000 workers each day, Smith said.

The post office overhaul comes amid a wave of development activity in the area, including Willis Tower's makeover; a Union Station redevelopment that will include the addition of a 50-story office tower anchored by BMO Financial Group adjacent to the rail station; and Related Midwest's The 78, a planned mixed-use development on 62 acres of vacant land along the river between the South Loop and Chinatown.

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U.S. 'optimistic' over trade talks with China

Stocks climb on hopes negotiations will be followed up

BY PAUL WISEMAN
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Three days of U.S.-Chinese talks aimed at ending a costly tariff battle wrapped up Wednesday in an optimistic atmosphere, with President Donald Trump saying they were “going very well!”

A statement from the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative did not characterize the tone of the talks or say what would happen next, noting only that the U.S. delegation would await “guidance on the next steps” after reporting back to Washington.

The U.S. statement said the negotiations dealt with the need for any deal with China to be “subject to ongoing verification and effective enforcement” — a



U.S. and Chinese officials ended three days of trade talks Wednesday. Above, the Ministry of Commerce in Beijing. OLIVER ZHANG/AP

comment that reflects U.S. frustration that the Chinese have failed to live up to past commitments.

The U.S. also said the negotiations “focused on China’s pledge to purchase a substantial amount of agricultural, energy, manufactured goods and other products and services from the United States.” Trump has

complained repeatedly about the U.S. trade deficit with China, which last year likely exceeded the 2017 gap of \$336 billion.

“We’re optimistic,” White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders told the Fox Business Network, adding that “we expect that something will come of this. I don’t know

the timing and exactly what that will look like, but what I can be sure of is that we are moving towards a more balanced and reciprocal trade agreement with China.”

Stocks rose Wednesday on optimism that the mid-level talks in Beijing will be followed up with discussions between higher-ranking U.S. and Chinese officials. Investors were encouraged that talks planned for two days were extended to three.

Hong Kong’s main market index closed up 2.1 percent and Tokyo rose 1.1 percent.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average picked up 91.67 points, or 0.4 percent, to 23,879.12. The S&P 500 index climbed 10.55 points, or 0.4 percent, to 2,584.96. The Nasdaq composite rose 60.08 points, or 0.9 percent, to 6,957.08. The Russell 2000 index of smaller and U.S.-focused stocks added 12.25 points, or 0.9 percent, to 1,438.81.

“We can confidently say that enough progress was made that the discussions will continue at a higher level,” said Craig Allen, president of the U.S.-China Business Council. “That is very positive.” The council and other U.S. business groups have pressed for a resolution to the trade hostilities between the world’s two biggest economies.

The talks, which started Monday, were the first face-to-face meetings since Trump and Chinese leader Xi Jinping agreed Dec. 1 to suspend further action against each other’s imports for 90 days while they negotiate over U.S. complaints that Beijing steals or pressures companies to hand over technology.

“Talks with China are going very well!” Trump said late Tuesday on Twitter.

Washington wants Beijing to change its plans to use government support to make Chinese companies world leaders in robotics

and advanced technologies.

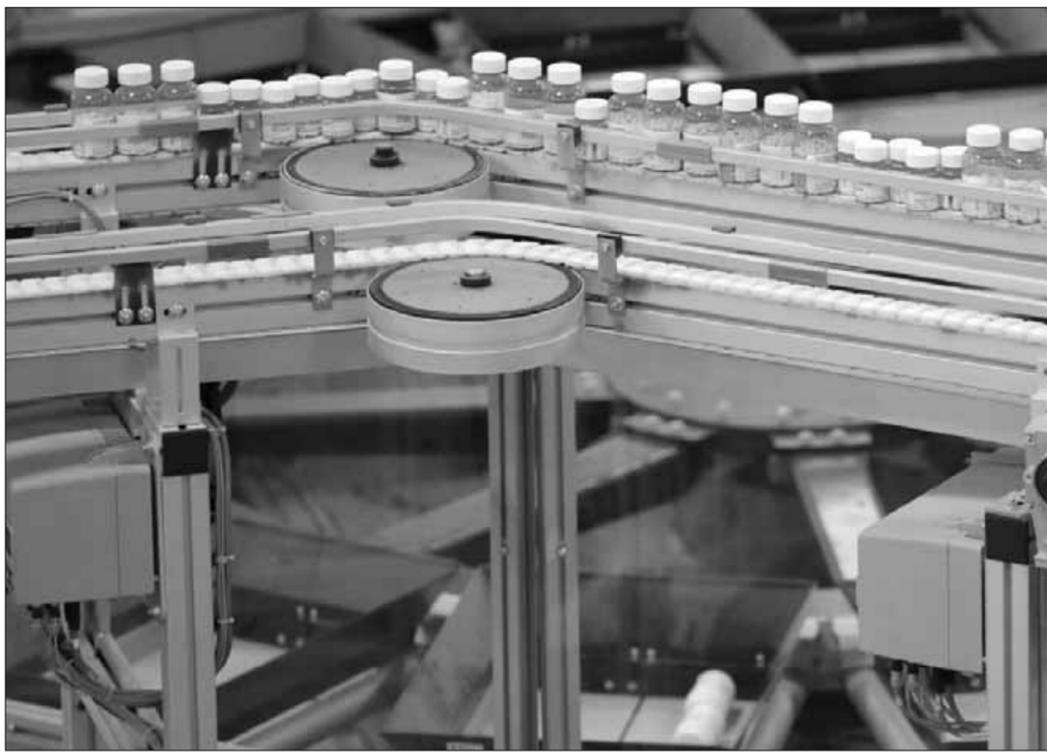
Chinese officials have suggested Beijing might alter its industrial plans but reject pressure to abandon what they consider a path to prosperity and global influence.

Neither side has given any indication its basic position has changed.

Economists say the 90-day window is too short to resolve all the conflicts between the biggest and second-biggest global economies.

Chinese exports to the U.S. have held up despite tariff increases of up to 25 percent on \$250 billion of Chinese imports, partly due to exporters rushing to fill orders before more increases hit. Forecasters expect American orders to slump this year.

China has imposed penalties on \$110 billion of American goods, slowing customs clearance for U.S. companies and suspending issuing licenses in finance and other businesses.



JULIO CORTEZ/AP

Drug advertising in the U.S. grew to \$6 billion and 5 million ads in 2016. Overall, spending on marketing topped \$30 billion.

Medical marketing hits \$30B

U.S. ads for drugs, pitches to doctors push spending up

BY LINDSEY TANNER
Associated Press

Ads for prescription drugs appeared 5 million times in just one year, capping a recent surge in U.S. medical marketing, a new analysis found.

The advertisements for various medicines showed up on TV, newspapers, online sites and elsewhere in 2016. Their numbers soared over 20 years as part of broad health industry efforts to promote drugs, devices, tests and hospitals.

The researchers estimated that medical marketing reached \$30 billion in 2016, up from \$18 billion in 1997. Spending on consumer-focused ads climbed fastest. But marketing to doctors and other health professionals still grabbed the biggest share with the bulk of it paying for free drug samples.

“Marketing drives more treatments, more testing” that patients don’t always need, said Dr. Steven Woloshin, a Dartmouth College health policy expert. Woloshin wrote the report with his wife, Dr. Lisa Schwartz, both longtime critics of overdiagnosis and overtreatment. She died in November.

They analyzed marketing data from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Medicare, other federal and state agencies, private companies

and medical research. The report covers 1997, when the FDA eased rules for TV ads, through 2016. Although some types of spending waxed and waned during those years, Woloshin said the upward trend is concerning and suggests consumers need to be increasingly skeptical about marketing claims.

The report was published Tuesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association. All marketing spending was adjusted to 2016 dollars.

A journal editorial notes that medical marketing has survived legal challenges and “needs no apologist.” It has helped make patients more informed consumers and it’s up to doctors to help their patients understand product claims, although some physicians need more education themselves about deceptive marketing, the editorial suggests.

Consumer-focused marketing: Spending on direct-to-consumer marketing climbed fastest, from \$2 billion or 12 percent of total marketing to almost \$10 billion and one-third of overall spending. Only the U.S. and New Zealand allow prescription drug advertising, which in the U.S. went from just over \$1 billion and 79,000 ads to \$6 billion and 5 million ads in 2016. The category also includes TV ads and other marketing for hospitals, which skyrocketed to almost \$3 billion.

Spending on disease-awareness ads more than doubled, to \$430 million

spent on 401 campaigns. Woloshin said this was among the most disturbing trends. Drug names aren’t mentioned, but manufacturers often use these to “sell” diseases that can be treated by costly new drugs, he said.

Doctor-focused marketing: Marketing aimed at doctors, nurses and other health professionals went from \$16 billion to \$20 billion, about two-thirds of all spending. About \$12 billion went for free drug samples, although that spending has dropped recently. Spending on personal pitches from drug company sales reps was mostly unchanged at \$5 billion after an early increase.

The government’s Open Payments website lists doctors with financial ties to drug and medical device makers and in 2022 it will expand to include physician assistants and nurses with advanced training.

Regulatory oversight: Federal law says advertising must be truthful, not deceptive and backed by scientific evidence. The FDA oversees prescription drug and device advertising; the Federal Trade Commission regulates over-the-counter products. The analysis suggests that the surge in medical marketing has led to spotty oversight by both agencies. It notes that while company submissions more than doubled over the two decades, reaching nearly 100,000, FDA violation letters for misleading drug

marketing dropped from 156 to 11. That could mean drug companies are doing a better job of self-policing but Woloshin said it’s more likely regulators are overwhelmed by the volume and can’t keep up.

Still, the report notes an increase in FDA violation letters about marketing of unapproved genetic tests. And off-label or deceptive marketing practices have resulted in \$11 billion in fines and 103 settlements between drug companies and regulators since 1997.

What doctors say: The American Medical Association in 2015 supported banning direct-to-consumer ads for prescription drugs and says doctors should not accept medical industry payments or gifts intended to influence prescribing habits. “The vast majority of physicians prescribe drugs and treatments they believe are in the best interest of their patients,” the AMA said in a response to the new analysis.

What industry says: Holly Campbell, spokeswoman for the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, defended industry marketing practices and said direct-to-consumer ads can make patients better informed about their health and treatment options. She said these ads also “increase awareness of the benefits and risks of new medicines and encourage appropriate use of medicines.”

CES proves buzz has faded for VR

BY MAE ANDERSON
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Just a few years ago, virtual reality was poised to take over the world. After decades of near misses, the revolution finally seemed imminent, with slick consumer headsets about to hit the market and industries from gaming and entertainment to social media ready to hop on the bandwagon.

But the buzz over VR has faded to a whisper. At the CES 2019 tech show in Las Vegas, Facebook’s Oculus unit isn’t holding any glitzy press events, just closed-door demos for its upcoming Oculus Quest, a \$399 untethered headset due out in the spring. Other VR companies are similarly subdued. HTC announced two new headsets — one with only sketchy details — while Sony has some kiosks for its \$300 PlayStation VR set in the main hall.

It’s a world away from the scene a few years ago, when VR products from Samsung, Oculus, HTC and Sony seemed omnipresent and unstoppable at CES. These days, VR is mostly a niche product for gaming and business training, held back by expensive, clunky headsets, a paucity of interesting software and other technological shortcomings.

“VR hasn’t escaped the early adopter, gamer-oriented segment,” said Forrester analyst J.P. Gownder — himself an early adopter who chafed in 2016 at delays in shipping Facebook’s then-groundbreaking Oculus Rift system. Gownder said many exist-

ing VR setups are still too hard to use; even simpler mobile systems like Samsung’s Gear VR, he said, don’t offer “a clear reason for the average non-gamer to get involved.”

VR proponents are still dreaming big, although the challenges remain formidable. Shipments of VR headsets rose 8 percent in the third quarter compared to the previous year, to 1.9 million units, according to data research firm International Data Corp. — an uptick that followed four quarters of decline. Nearly a quarter of a million units of Facebook’s Oculus Go and Xiaomi’s Mi VR — the same stand-alone VR headset, sold under different names in different markets — shipped worldwide in the quarter, IDC said.

Those still aren’t huge numbers for a technology that seemed to hold such promise in 2012 when early demonstrations of the Oculus Rift wowed audiences — so much that Facebook acquired Oculus for \$2 billion two years later. Despite large sums ploughed into the field by Facebook, Sony, Samsung, Microsoft and Google, VR hasn’t yet made much of a dent in the real world.

Software makers are re-trenching. IMAX said in late December it was shutting down its VR unit. Jaunt, a startup focused on cinematic VR and once backed by Disney, restructured this year. Its new focus? VR’s cousin technology, “augmented reality,” which paints consumer-simulated objects into the real world, a la the cartoony monsters of “Pokemon Go.”

On some Samsung phones, Facebook is a forever friend

BY HAMZA SHABAN
The Washington Post

Facebook will always be around, at least for some people who own Samsung smartphones.

Some Samsung devices come preloaded with a Facebook app that owners can’t remove; the app can only be disabled.

Facebook told The Washington Post on Wednesday that the disabled version of the app acts as if it has been deleted and does not collect data about a user’s activity or send information to the social network. But that may sound like cold comfort to users who don’t want Facebook on their phones.

Facebook said it has partnerships with other phone manufacturers, mobile operators and operating systems to pre-install its app. But the company would not disclose the names of the other companies it has such agreements with and declined to share the financial details of the partnerships. Facebook said

the pre-installed app allows users to hop on the social network right out of the box.

Bloomberg News first reported on the pre-installed app.

Samsung told The Post on Wednesday: “We’re providing a preloaded Facebook app on select smartphone models with the option to disable it. The app is no longer running when it is disabled.”

That the Facebook app can’t be removed from certain phones is especially significant. The company has faced a public backlash over its data privacy controversies and the perceived negativity on the platform.

Preloading software that users didn’t explicitly ask for isn’t unique to Samsung, and app developers besides Facebook have similar partnerships. As Bloomberg noted, T-Mobile customers who use the Samsung Galaxy S9 smartphone will find dozens of preloaded apps on their device — Facebook and Amazon among them.

Neiman Marcus reaches \$1.5M breach settlement

Associated Press

AUSTIN, TEXAS — More than 40 state attorneys general have announced a \$1.5 million settlement with The Neiman Marcus Group over a data breach the Dallas-based retailer disclosed in January 2014.

Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan’s office said the state will receive more than \$124,000 under the settlement.

The breach exposed customer credit card data at 77 Neiman Marcus stores nationwide. Over a three-month period in 2013, about

370,000 Neiman Marcus credit cards were accessed by unknown third parties unlawfully, and at least 9,200 were used fraudulently.

Under terms of the settlement announced Tuesday, Neiman Marcus agrees to maintain reasonable procedures to protect custom-

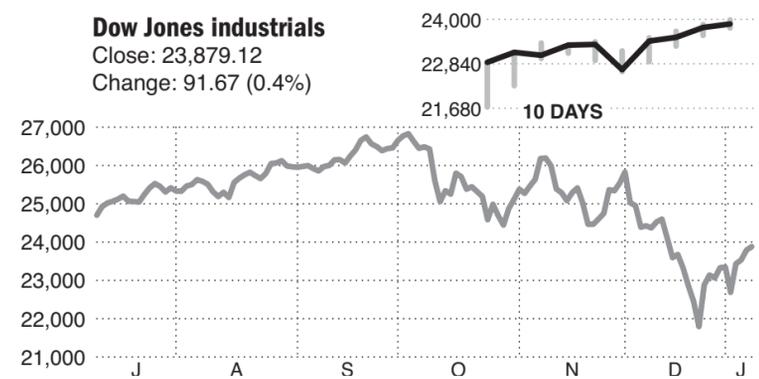
ers’ personal data and obtain an information security assessment and report from a third-party professional.

The settlement involves 43 states and the District of Columbia.

Chicago Tribune staff contributed.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 23,985.45 Low: 23,776.56 Previous: 23,787.45



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
+60.08 (+.87%)	+10.55 (+.41%)	+12.26 (+.86%)
Close: 6,957.08	Close: 2,584.96	Close: 1,438.81
High: 6,985.22	High: 2,595.32	High: 1,442.42
Low: 6,899.56	Low: 2,568.89	Low: 1,427.00
Previous: 6,897.00	Previous: 2,574.41	Previous: 1,426.55

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+0.01 to 2.72%	+6.10 to \$1,289.30	-0.37 to 108.28/\$1	-0.0076 to .8663/\$1	+2.58 to \$52.36

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
+2.28	+4.37	+2.99	-2.64	-1.99	-2.49	-5.87	-2.75	-5.94

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	516.50	524.50	513.75	520	+2.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	382.50	384.50	379	382	+2
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jan 19	911.75	912.50	903	911.50	+5.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jan 19	28.31	28.36	28.01	28.32	+1.4
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jan 19	318.60	319.30	316.80	319.00	+1.40
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	Mar 19	49.80	52.58	49.71	52.36	+2.58
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Feb 19	3.008	3.019	2.939	2.984	+0.017
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Feb 19	1.3617	1.4348	1.3616	1.4254	+0.0628

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	69.44	+1.14	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	96.58	-2.3
AbbVie Inc	N	87.81	-2.98	Equity Residential	N	66.32	...
Allstate Corp	N	83.16	+0.63	Exelon Corp	N	45.02	-0.37
Apptargroup Inc	N	93.48	-0.4	First Indl RT	N	29.55	-0.07
Arch Dan Mid	N	43.07	+0.37	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	42.16	+1.22
Baxter Inc	N	67.12	+1.13	Gallagher AJ	N	73.28	+0.85
Boeing Co	N	343.83	+3.30	Grainger WJ	N	280.01	+1.03
Brunswick Corp	N	49.01	+1.09	GrubHub Inc	N	80.39	-0.70
CB&E Global Markets	N	92.80	-0.72	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	91.99	+1.41
CDK Global Inc	O	49.35	-0.09	IDEX Corp	N	135.54	+0.64
CDW Corp	O	81.33	+1.06	ITW	N	129.99	-0.2
CF Industries	N	45.03	-0.36	Ingredion Inc	N	95.70	+0.58
CME Group	O	178.56	-4.10	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	132.10	+0.05
CNA Financial	N	44.23	+0.29	Kemper Corp	N	70.54	-1.02
Caterpillar Inc	N	130.27	+0.50	Kraft Heinz Co	O	45.13	-0.24
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	21.38	-0.06	LKQ Corporation	O	25.78	+0.96
Deere Co	N	154.33	-2.59	Littelfuse Inc	O	180.50	+4.24
Discover Fin Svcs	N	62.13	+0.63	MB Financial	O	41.78	+0.11
Dover Corp	N	76.35	+0.79	McDonalds Corp	N	180.29	-0.31
Equity Commonwealth	N	30.05	+0.24	Middleby Corp	O	109.63	+2.57
				Mondelez Intl	O	41.93	-1.5
				Morningstar Inc	O	109.09	+4.8
				Motorola Solutions	N	116.16	-3.35
				NiSource Inc	N	26.14	-0.76
				Nthru Trust	O	85.09	+1.15
				Old Republic	N	20.92	-2.04
				Packaging Corp Am	N	62.31	+0.6
				Paylocity Hldg	O	38.77	+4.1
				Stercy Inc	O	38.77	+0.6
				Teleph Data	N	35.73	+1.4
				TransUnion	N	55.81	-2.8
				Tribune Media Co A	N	45.49	+0.4
				US Foods Holding	N	33.40	+0.4
				USG Corp	N	43.16	...
				Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	281.19	+5.19
				United Contl Hldgs	O	83.76	+1.38
				Ventas Inc	N	58.22	-2.8
				Walgreen Boots Alli	O	72.23	+8.6
				Waltrust Financial	O	70.17	+1.0
				Zebra Tech	O	160.21	+3.88

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	8.50	-0.06
Chesapck Engy	2.76	+0.31
Bank of America	25.76	+0.25
EnCana Corp	6.49	+0.08
Weatherford Intl Ltd	5.55	+0.06
Ford Motor	8.72	+0.35
A&T Inc	30.10	-0.67
Nabors Inds	2.96	+0.33
Snap Inc A	6.28	-1.12
Vale SA	14.51	+0.45
Annaly Capital Mgmt	9.84	+0.04
Nokia Corp	6.21	+0.06
PG&E Corp	17.83	+0.27
Sthwstn Energy	4.37	+0.26
Royal Dutch Shell B	15.11	+0.33
Square Inc	65.93	+2.81
Ambev S.A.	4.39	+0.06
Freeport McMoran	11.51	+0.31
Transocean Ltd	8.54	+0.12
Alibaba Group Hldg	151.92	+5.13
Kinder Morgan Inc	17.26	+1.2
Brist Myr Sqb	47.18	-0.81
ENSCO PLC	4.48	+0.04
Citigroup	56.38	+0.92

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Adv Micro Dev	20.19	-0.56
Micron Tech	35.44	+1.70
Apple Inc	153.31	+2.56
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.06	-0.29
Caesars Entertain	7.78	+0.29
Microsoft Corp	104.27	+1.47
Helios and Matheson	0.02	+0.00
Cisco Syst	43.32	-0.24
Intel Corp	48.01	+0.27
Facebook Inc	144.23	+1.70
JD.com Inc	23.69	+0.75
NY Mortgage Trust	6.10	-0.02
Roku Inc	42.10	+1.22
Atossa Genetics	1.60	+0.37
Bed Bath & Beyond	12.26	+0.48
Comcast Corp A	36.06	+0.34
Nvidia Corporation	142.58	+2.75
Zynga Inc	4.27	+0.13
Amarin Corp	15.03	+1.12
New Age Beverages	06.10	+0.59
Netflix Inc	319.96	+3.21
Starbucks Cp	63.88	+0.26
SAExploration Hldgs	3.72	+1.53
Celgene Inc	87.51	-0.07

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2544.34	+17.9/+0.7
Stoxx600	347.70	+1.9/+0.5
Nikkei	20427.06	+223.0/+1.1
MSCI-EAFE	1784.56	+20.4/+1.2
Bovespa	93613.06	+1581.2/+1.7
FTSE 100	6906.63	+45.0/+0.7
CAC-40	4813.58	+40.3/+0.8

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	151.92	+5.13
Alphabet Inc C	1074.66	-1.62
Alphabet Inc A	1081.65	-3.72
Amazon.com Inc	1659.42	+2.84
Apple Inc	153.31	+2.56
Bank of America	25.76	+0.25
Berkshire Hath B	196.37	+0.06
Exxon Mobil Corp	72.42	+0.38
Facebook Inc	144.23	+1.70
JPMorgan Chase	100.40	-0.17
Johnson & Johnson	128.93	-1.03
Microsoft Corp	104.27	+1.47
Pfizer Inc	43.34	-0.09
Royal Dutch Shell B	62.36	+0.54
Royal Dutch Shell A	60.96	+0.70
Unitedhealth Group	243.64	+0.35
Verizon Comm	57.05	-0.73
Visa Inc	138.41	+1.61
WalMart Strs	94.89	-0.31

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	2.39	2.38
6-month disc	2.41	2.41
2-year	2.55	2.57
10-year	2.72	2.71
30-year	3.02	2.99

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1289.30	\$1283.20
Silver	\$15.653	\$15.626
Platinum	\$820.00	\$816.50

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.50
Discount Rate Primary	3.00
Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.52

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys ...

Argentina (Peso)	37.3455
Australia (Dollar)	1.3928
Brazil (Real)	3.6812
Britain (Pound)	0.7816
Canada (Dollar)	1.3221
China (Yuan)	6.8180
Euro	0.8663
India (Rupee)	70.527
Israel (Shekel)	3.6753
Japan (Yen)	108.28
Mexico (Peso)	19.2167
Poland (Zloty)	3.73
So. Korea (Won)	1117.44
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.75
Thailand (Baht)	31.94

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	28.92	+2.4	-1.8
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	25.33	+1.2	-2.4
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	144.13	+5.5	-10.0
American Funds CptlncBldrA m	57.29	+2.5	-6.4
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	54.04	+5.2	-6.3
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	44.63	+4.0	-2.2
American Funds InvCAMrcA m	34.88	+1.8	-6.3
American Funds NwPrspctVA m	39.14	+5.2	-5.5
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	42.04	+1.6	-3.1
DFA EMktCorEq	19.76	+3.0	-15.8
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.31	+0.3	+3
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	38.74	+5.0	-16.9
Dodge & Cox Stk	179.94	+9.7	-6.5
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.41	...	+2.1
Fidelity 500ldxmsPrm	89.87	+4.0	-4.2
Fidelity Contrafund	11.47	+0.8	-2.2
Fidelity ContrafundK	11.47	+0.7	-2.1
Fidelity TlMktldxmsPrm	73.17	+3.8	-4.5
Fidelity US8ldxmsPrm	11.28	+0.1	+7
Franklin Templeton Inca1 m	2.20	+0.1	-3.8
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	10.40	...	+8
PIMCO IncInclSt	11.84	...	+3
PIMCO TlRetInvs	9.93	-0.1	+3
Schwab SP500ldx	39.52	+1.7	-4.2
T. Rowe Price BCGr	100.49	+9.4	+1.7
T. Rowe Price GrStk	59.87	+5.5	-5
Vanguard 500ldxAdmrl	238.79	+1.05	-4.2
Vanguard DivGrlnv	24.82	+0.3	-8
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	68.00	+1.1	-5.1
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	71.77	+5.3	-3.3
Vanguard HCAmrl	82.85	+5.7	+1.2
Vanguard InTrnGdAdm	9.39	+0.1	+2
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	13.94	-0.1	+1.7
Vanguard InslldxInvs	234.79	+1.04	-4.2
Vanguard InslldxInvsPlus	234.80	+1.03	-4.2
Vanguard InsTlSMInPls	56.07	+2.9	-4.3
Vanguard MdtCpdxAdmrl	178.64	+1.50	-7.5
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	125.69	+1.32	-1.8
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.44	+0.1	+1.2
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	67.03	+6.0	-5.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	29.20	+1.4	-3.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	17.41	+1.0	-4.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	31.63	+1.9	-5.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	19.26	+1.3	-5.9
Vanguard TlBldxAdmrl	10.45	+0.1	+6
Vanguard TlBldxInvs	10.45	+0.1	+7
Vanguard TlInBldxAdmrl	21.68	+0.2	+

OBITUARIES

BERNICE SANDLER 1928-2019

Champion of Title IX
and women's rightsBY EMILY LANGER
The Washington Post

In 1969, her newly earned doctorate in hand, Bernice Sandler was hoping to land one of seven open teaching positions in her department at the University of Maryland. When she learned she had been considered for none of them, she asked a male colleague about the oversight. "Let's face it," was his reply. "You come on too strong for a woman."

When she applied for another academic position, the hiring researcher remarked that he didn't hire women because they too often stayed home with sick children. Later, an employment agency reviewed her resume and dismissed her as "just a housewife who went back to school."

Sandler had run headfirst into a problem that had only recently been given a name: sex discrimination. Knowing she was not alone, she embarked on a campaign that would change the culture on college campuses — and eventually the law, with the passage in 1972 of Title IX, the landmark legislation that banned sex discrimination in federally funded educational institutions.

Sandler, who was widely celebrated as the godmother of Title IX, died Saturday at her home in Washington. She was 90. The cause was cancer, said her daughter Deborah Sandler.

Trained in psychology and counseling, Sandler devoted decades of her life to documenting, analyzing and stopping the forms of discrimination — subtle and overt — that held women back academically and professionally in educational settings.

When she began her advocacy efforts, many university departments arbitrarily limited the number of women they would hire. Others hired no women at all. Some disqualified married women. Some colleges barred female students from chemistry and other departments that were deemed more suited for men.

Sandler investigated and found that there was no federal law prohibiting discrimination against women in educational fields. There was, however, an executive order signed by President Lyndon Johnson that prohibited sex discrimination by organizations with federal contracts.

"It was a genuine 'Eureka' moment," she later recalled in an account of her work. "I actually shrieked aloud for I immediately realized that many universities and colleges had federal contracts, were therefore



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Dr. Bernice "Bunny" Sandler was an integral part of the creation and passage of Title IX legislation addressing discrimination against women in education and collegiate athletics.

subject to the sex discrimination provisions of the Executive Order, and that the Order could be used to fight sex discrimination on American campuses."

Sandler joined the Women's Equity Action League and, as the one-member Federal Action Contract Compliance Committee, challenged 250 educational institutions for alleged sex discrimination. She also coordinated a letter-writing campaign that, by her account, "generated so much Congressional mail that the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education and Welfare had to assign several full-time personnel to handle the letters."

According to the National Women's Hall of Fame, where Sandler was inducted in 2013, her efforts led to the first federal investigation of sex discrimination on campuses. She worked for a House subcommittee with oversight of the matter and for the Health, Education and Welfare Department as momentum grew, culminating with passage of Title IX. Its chief legislative champions included Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii, and Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind. Today, Title IX is widely known as the guarantor of equal access to collegiate athletics.

For decades after the law was passed, Sandler continued her activism for gender equality in the classroom. As a speaker and author, she sought to draw attention to what she and a fellow researcher, Roberta Hall, termed the "chilly" classroom environment for women. Female professors, she found, were more likely than male professors to be challenged on their credentials. Those with Ph.D.s were not consistently addressed as "Dr.," and students expected greater leniency from women when

they failed to complete their assignments.

Female students, for their part, were more likely to receive an "uh-huh" from a professor when they participated in class, rather than the more engaged response that might greet a male student.

"When Title IX was passed, I was quite naive," Sandler said. "I thought all the problems of sex discrimination in education would be solved in one or two years at most. When two years passed, I increased my estimate to five years, then later to 10, then to 50, and now I realize it will take many generations to solve all the problems."

Bernice Resnick — who went by Bunny — was born in New York on March 3, 1928. Her parents ran a women's clothing store in New Jersey.

Sexist practices, she recalled, seemed to be part of the natural order of the world. "When I applied to college, it was openly known that women needed higher grades and test scores in order to be accepted," she recalled in a history of Title IX. "No one complained — it was just the way things were."

She received a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn College in 1948 and a master's degree from City College of New York in 1950, both in psychology, and a Ph.D. in counseling from the University of Maryland in 1969.

Sandler spent two decades as the director of the Project on the Status and Education of Women at the Association of American Colleges until she stepped down in 1991. She later held associations with institutions including the Center for Women Policy Studies in Washington and was a sought-after witness in discrimination and sexual harassment cases. As an activist, she also highlighted the danger of rape on campuses.

Sandler's marriage to Jerrold Sandler ended in divorce. Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Sandler of Martinez, California, and Emily Sanders of Los Angeles; and three grandchildren.

Later in her career, Sandler explored the "chilly" environment on campus that greeted minorities much as it greeted women. Interviewed in 1994 by the publication Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education, she reflected on the rejection that sent her on a path of advocacy.

"I don't think I would have noticed if they'd said you come on too strong," she said. The problem was that phrase "too strong for a woman."

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ON JANUARY 10 ...

In 1946 the first manmade contact with the moon was made as radar signals were bounced off the lunar surface.

In 1967 Republican Edward Brooke, of Massachusetts, the first African-American elected to the U.S. Senate by popular vote, took his seat.

In 1971 "Masterpiece Theatre" premiered on PBS.

In 1978 the Soviet Union launched two cosmonauts aboard a Soyuz capsule for a rendezvous with the Salyut 6 space laboratory.

In 1984 the United States and the Vatican established full diplomatic relations for the first time in more than a century.

In 1989 Cuba began withdrawing its troops from Angola, more than 13 years after its first contingents arrived.

In 1990 Chinese Premier Li Peng lifted Beijing's 7-month-old martial law and said that by crushing pro-democracy protests the army had saved China from "the abyss of misery."

In 1997 Dallas police ended their investigation of Dallas Cowboys stars Erik Williams and Michael Irvin, saying a woman's claim that Williams had raped her while Irvin held a gun to her head was false.

In 2005 CBS issued a damning independent review of mistakes related to a "60 Minutes Wednesday" report on President George W. Bush's National Guard service and fired three news executives and a producer for their "myopic zeal" in rushing it to air.

In 2006 Iran resumed nuclear research two years after halting the work to avoid possible U.N. economic sanctions.

In 2017 President Barack Obama bid farewell to the nation in an emotional speech at McCormick Place.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS
Jan. 9
Powerball **06 19 37 49 59 / 22**
Powerball jackpot: \$82M
Lotto jackpot: \$6M
Pick 3 midday **817 / 3**
Pick 4 midday **3099 / 9**
Lucky Day Lotto midday
23 25 35 39 43
Pick 3 evening **674 / 7**
Pick 4 evening **1492 / 2**
Lucky Day Lotto evening
04 09 14 16 31

Jan. 11 Mega Millions: \$50M

WISCONSIN
Jan. 9
Mega Bucks **03 15 28 36 38 41**
Pick 3 **348**
Pick 4 **7139**
Badger 5 **03 19 23 25 31**
SuperCash **10 15 17 24 25 31**

INDIANA
Jan. 9
Lotto **07 12 31 33 34 44**
Daily 3 midday **135 / 6**
Daily 4 midday **0784 / 6**
Daily 3 evening **368 / 4**
Daily 4 evening **6697 / 4**
Cash 5 **13 14 15 21 43**

MICHIGAN
Jan. 9
Lotto **02 10 11 13 14 21**
Daily 3 midday **075**
Daily 4 midday **1934**
Daily 3 evening **594**
Daily 4 evening **8210**
Fantasy 5 **01 07 12 14 30**
Keno **05 09 11 13 16 21**
26 34 37 38 39 40 44 53
54 55 62 63 65 66 76 80

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In Memoriam

Mary Ann Tuhey

Mary Ann Tuhey, formerly of Western Springs, died peacefully after a three month battle with pneumonia and heart issues, January 10, 2015. She is preceded in death by her husband, John Francis. She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth Snow (James) and granddaughter, Meghan. She is also survived by her sister Therese Blake and many nieces and nephews. Her kindness will live in our hearts forever. A requiem Mass was held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Huntsville with Monsignor Michael Sexton presiding, assisted by Father James Valenzuela of Pensacola, Florida, the late Father Louis Giardino and Father Michael McMahon.

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Alimisis, Peter 'Valentino'

Peter Alimisis passed away on January 5, 2019. Devoted son of the late Theodore and Angelina Alimisis. Dear brother of Tula (the late Peter) Mouloupoulos and Dimitrios (Stavroula) Alimisis and fond uncle of Gloria, Dean (Regina) and Theodore Alimisis. Visitation Wednesday, January 9, 2019 from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home located at 6150 N. Cicero Avenue in Chicago. Family and friends will meet on Thursday morning, January 10, 2019 at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 2727 W. Winona Ave., Chicago, IL 60625 for funeral service at 10:30 am. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Arranged by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please call 773-736-3833.

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Brown, Barbara Elaine Russell

Barbara Elaine Russell Brown, born February 14, 1929, passed away January 7, 2019, 38 days shy of her 90th birthday. Barbara was married to Roger Brown with whom they had six children, five of which, Jeffrey, Owen, Andrew, Henry and Vanessa survive her, as do 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Barbara was born in Chicago into a household of Jewish immigrants from Romania and Russia. Her father died of wounds sustained in the First World War shortly before the start of the Second. To support Barbara and her brother Maynard, her mother, Min, returned to work as a milliner. The extended family lived in the Austin neighborhood. Barbara's childhood pleasures included the local library (her "second home"), her bicycle, watching Shirley Temple at the movies, and in summer, extended stays on the farm of her uncle Sidney in Wisconsin. She received her bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois.

She and Roger married on May 16, 1953, and shortly thereafter moved to Highland Park, where they initially purchased five acres of orchard, wood and marsh in an undeveloped section of what was then a small suburb. Highland Park grew up around them. So did their five children, as well as multiple dogs that were moderately trainable — to make room for all this, they eventually added another five-acre woodlot.

Barbara enriched the community. She joined the Highland Park Library Board, served on the city's Environmental Commission, as a guide at the Heller Nature Center, and volunteered at her children's elementary schools, and their many extracurricular activities. Barbara also served on the Woman's Boards of the Field Museum (since 1974) and of the Chicago Botanic Garden (since 2010). She was president of the Evanston North Shore Bird Club for decades, as well. She loved gardening, classical music, mysteries and Asian art, in short, she was the perfect model of the engaged and supportive housewife of the '50s.

Except she was much more. Working as a woman scientist in what was then a man's world, in her professional capacity Barbara served on the research staff of Chicago's Field Museum for nearly 50 years, concentrating in mammalogy, and specializing in New World species. She was a participant on several of the museum's research expeditions to Brazil's Cerrado and Atlantic coastal forests and the author of an important treatise on marsupials. The scientific community recognized her work eponymously, naming a number of tropical mammals and birds in her honor. A curatorial position in ornithology at the Science Museum of Minnesota bears her name, as well as a nature reserve that forms part of the Chicago Botanic Gardens.

A dedicated birdwatcher, Barbara "birded" throughout the United States, Canada, Australia and Central America. She traveled the world with Roger as well, attending the four Grand Slam tournaments and visiting not only the well-trod capitals of London/Rome/Paris, but also Tbilisi/Tehran/Yogyakarta, and other spots so far off the beaten track that their names have no easily discernible vowels. To stay in shape for these voyages, she regularly engaged in tennis and swimming, and encouraged her children to get off their beds and into the gym.

Her family grieves her passage but celebrates her life. She suffered multiple organ failures. As a biologist, forthright and honest, she knew her end and wanted to know when it was close. Being so informed proved a relief for her, and all others involved.

The family requests any donations in her honor to be made either to the Field Museum's Integrative Research Center (fieldmuseum.org), Thresholds (thresholds.org), Congregation Solel (solel.org) or the Chicago Botanic Gardens (chicagobotanic.org).

Service Friday 11AM at Congregation Solel, 1301 Clavey Road, Highland Park, IL 60035. Memorials to Congregation Solel, www.solel.org or the Field Museum Integrative Research Center, 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive., Chicago, Illinois 60605, www.fieldmuseum.org or Thresholds, 4101 North Ravenswood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60613, www.thresholds.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** — Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Chmielewski, Anita J.

CHMIELEWSKI, Anita J. age 88, January 8, 2019. Longtime companion of the late Dr. Robert L. Emanuele. Beloved Godmother of Cathy and Pam. Sister of Bill (Barbara). Survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Bob, son Michael and siblings: Irene, Helen, Andrew, Gladys, Bobby, and Theresa. Visitation will take place at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke), Utica, MI Saturday 2pm-8pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to National Kidney Foundation of Michigan (www.nkfm.org) or Best Friends Animal Society (www.bestfriends.org). Please share a memory at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

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Christian, Larry D

Larry Christian, 80, of Oswego, IL died January 7, 2019. He is survived by his wife Donna, 2 children Ann and Dale and 2 grandchildren. Visitation will be Friday January 11, 2019 at St Paul Lutheran Church 85 S. Constitution Dr Aurora, IL. Service to immediately follow.

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Crocker, S.J., Fr. John R.

Fr. John R. Crocker, S.J. January 8, 2018. Age 88. A Jesuit for 70 years. He was a Chicago native, a teacher and associate professor of psychology at Loyola University Chicago; was secretary general of the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome; and was the director of the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Jerusalem.

Visitation is Friday, Jan. 11, 4-8 p.m. with a prayer service at 7 p.m. at Colombiere. Funeral Mass Saturday, Jan 12, at 10:45 a.m. at Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Rd., Clarkston, MI with burial to follow. Memorial gifts to support the Jesuits may be made to the USA Midwest Jesuits, 1010 N. Hooker St., Chicago, IL 60642. Visit www.jesuitsmidwest.org to read full obituary, sign guestbook, or make an online memorial gift. A.J. Desmond & Sons, (248) 362-2500.

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Enright, John J. "Jack"

John J. "Jack" Enright, Age 91, Born into Eternal Life on January 7, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Marilyn L. (nee Wright). Loving father of John (Marsha), Kathleen Enright (Patrick Ryan), Rosemary (Jeffrey) Jones, Michael (Kearen), Mark (Heidi), William (Cindy Schaub), Ruth (Robert) Baker, Paul (Carol Anne), and Edward Enright. "Grandpa Jack" was dearly loved by his 18 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Dear brother of Mary Kay (Ron) Perry, Alumnus of St. Ignace College Prep (1945) and University of Chicago Law School. Visitation Friday 3-9pm at **Curley Funeral Home (Heeney-Laughlin Directors)**, 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415. Family and friends will meet at Christ the King Church, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 on Saturday morning for visitation 9:30am-10:30am. Mass at 10:30am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Memorials to Christ the King School Foundation are most appreciated. Funeral Info: Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors, 708-636-5500 or www.heeneyfh.com

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Filler, Dr. Robert 'Bob'

Robert Filler, 95, died Jan. 8th, husband of the late Miriam, nee Holland; father of Debby Filler, Rebecca (Tom) Helgesen, Daniel (Chapin) Filler, Michael (Mary Beth) Knize and the late Susan Filler; grandfather of 8; brother of the late Ruth (Lawrence)

Jacobs and the late George Filler; uncle and friend to many. The son of Alfred and Ethel, Robert "Bob" was born in Brooklyn and graduated from City College of New York. During World War II he served in the Army in Chicago. There he met Lael Rosenbloom, whom he married in 1945. After the war he earned his Ph.D in chemistry - in under four years -- at the University of Iowa. Bob began teaching at Ohio Wesleyan University. In 1954, when Lael passed away, he and their three young daughters, Susan, Rebecca and Debby, moved to Gary, Indiana. Bob then joined the Illinois Institute of Technology. In 1959, he married Miriam, who brought a son, Michael, to the family. In 1962, they had another son, Daniel. Bob and Miriam remained fiercely devoted to each other throughout their long lives. At IIT, Bob was a professor of chemistry, chair of the chemistry department, and dean of the Lewis College of Sciences and Letters. He was an active researcher and scholar, receiving numerous grants, publishing over 180 papers, and advising scores of graduate students. Bob was an active member of the American Chemical Society continuously from 1947, and in 1976 he chaired the fluorine division. He lectured widely, serving as a visiting professor at universities in England, Israel, and Germany, as well as giving papers in Russia, Poland and Japan. After retirement, Bob co-founded an R&D start-up, working into his nineties. He was a lifelong sports fan, from the Brooklyn Dodgers to the Chicago White Sox. He loved to sing and dance with Miriam to classics like "let's dance at the make-believe ballroom." When not traveling abroad, he loved showing his family the breadth and beauty of the United States, taking them to conferences and vacationing from coast to coast. Chapel service Friday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Shalom Home Bentsen Assisted Living Center in St. Paul, MN 0. For information or to leave condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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Giuliano, Helen A.

Helen A. Giuliano, nee Zmorzynski, of Schaumburg. Beloved wife of Vincent; loving mother of Joseph P., Gabrielle M. and Vincent F. (Lydia); proud grandmother of James Vincent; dear sister of Edward (Donna) Zmorzynski. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Friday, January 11, 2019 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. All are asked to meet Saturday at St. Marcelline Church, 822 Springinguth Rd., Schaumburg for 11:00 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (www.stjude.org) or the Leukemia Society (donate.lla.org) appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to The Original Kuratko Family Directors, Kenneth D. Kuratko, Director. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.



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Gritton, David Ramsey

David Ramsey Gritton, 65, of Scottsville, KY and formerly of Chicago, IL died Sunday, January 6, 2019 at the Medical Center at Bowling Green, KY. He was born in Youngstown, OH the son of the late Donald David Gritton and Rosemary Hansen Gritton. David was a retired school teacher having taught for the Chicago Public School System in Chicago, IL. He is survived by his wife Diane; a daughter Nicole Gritton of Florida; sister Rosanne Gritton Merrill of Wheaton, IL; 2 nephews Douglas Gritton (Elly) and Jeffrey Gritton (Samantha); a grand nephew Jaxon Gritton and several cousins. Memorial services will be held 6:00 PM Friday, January 11th at A. F. Crow & Son Funeral Home in Glasgow, KY with burial of his remains in the Ridgewood Memorial Park in Des Plaines, IL.

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Hansen, Arthur R.

Arthur R. Hansen, age 89. Beloved husband of the late Mary Jane (nee Enright), the love of his life, who taught him many things about living a good and spiritual life together. Devoted father of Arthur, Donna (Don) Waldrom, Mary Jane Ransford, John (Joan), Richard, Robert and Nancy (Craig) Jones. Loving grandfather of 8 and great grandfather of 10. Forty three years of service with R.R. Donnelly-Chicago. Loved the Cubs and loved to golf. Visitation Sunday 3-9 PM at the Palos-Gaidas Funeral Home, 11028 Southwest Hwy. (7700W) Palos Hills. Funeral Monday, 10 AM from the funeral home to St. Terrence Church, 4300 W. 119th Place, Alsip, for 11 AM Mass. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.palosgaidasfh.com (708) 974 4410



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Jordan, Constance Tippens

Constance Tippens Jordan, age 96, a longtime resident of Wilmette and more recently Evanston, Illinois, passed away peacefully on January 1, 2019. Connie was born on July 12, 1922 in Grand Rapids, Michigan and grew up as the eldest child of Albert Harris and Constance Felt Tippens residing in Wyoming and Shaker Heights, Ohio, and Lake Forest and Winnetka, Illinois. She was a proud alumna of Ferry Hall (now a part of Lake Forest Academy) and a student of art in Boston, the University of Arizona, where she was a member of the Delta Gamma sorority, and the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts. She married the love of her life, Horace W. Jordan, in 1951 and for the next 60 years together they raised four children, Robert Y. Jordan, Constance Jordan Lochridge, David C. Jordan and Horace (Hob) W. Jordan, Jr. Connie was a dedicated and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She is survived by her sister Anne Buck, children Bob, Connie (Scott) and Hob (Diana); her grandchildren Kati (Stephen), Natalie, Scott, Calla, Gwen, Taryn and Charlotte; her great-grandchildren Wesley Kate, Blake, and Kendall; cherished sisters-in-law, cousins and many loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son David and her husband Horace. In addition to her family, she dedicated her life to volunteer work. During World War II she worked for the Red Cross in Chicago and later she worked on behalf of the Hadley Institute for the Blind and Visually Impaired in Winnetka, Illinois. She was the proud matriarch of her family and took great joy in sharing tales of family lore and her adventures as a daring roller skater and loving companion to her many dogs. She was a wonderful artist and shared her passion by giving multiple watercolor paintings to her family, particularly of her surroundings spent during winters in Rockport, Texas. She was a passionate traveler, talented violinist with the Flute and Fiddle Club, determined golfer, avid swimmer and reveled in her weekends in Bridgman, Michigan. She also was an active member of the Town and Country Arts Club, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames. A private family service will be scheduled shortly. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the charity of your choice in her name.

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Koche, John J.

John J. Koche, age 74, of Homer Glen. Beloved husband of Daniela (nee Cortopassi). Loving father of Stephen (Amber) and Robert Koche. Devoted grandfather of Isabella, Gianna and Lucca. Dear brother of Gary (Linda) and William (Debbie). Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Memorial visitation Saturday 11am until time of service 4pm at RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES, 12641 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen. Interment private. In lieu of flowers donations to Alzheimer's Research at University of Chicago or Peace Hospice appreciated. 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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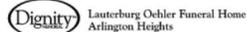


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Krippinger, John H.

John H Krippinger age 92 of Niles, beloved husband of the late Dorothy (nee O'Connor); loving father of MaryKay (Wayne) Romanchuk, William (Mariann), Kevin (Nancy), Jack (Dawn), Mark (Alicia), and Michael (Anna) Krippinger; cherished grandfather of Michael and Ryan (Whitney) Romanchuk, Meghan (Rob) Heroman, Andrew (Elizabeth), John Krippinger, Kaitlin (Michael) Anderson, Emily, Daniel, Sarah, Christopher (Fiance Shannon), Colin, Ashley, Nicole, James, Ryan, and Kailee Krippinger; great grandfather of Miles and Elise; preceded in death by his sisters Frances and Anita; dear uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 3-8 pm at Oehler Funeral Home, 2099 Miner St. (Corner of Northwest Hwy/ Rt 14 and Rand Rd), funeral prayer will be said Saturday 8:45 at the funeral home and then going to St John Brebeuf Church, Niles, Mass 9:30 Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Notre Dame College Prep, 7655 Dempster, Niles, IL 60714 For info please call 847-824-5155 or visit www.oehlerfuneralhome.com



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Lamesch, Patricia L.

Patricia L. Lamesch nee Langlois, age 69. Loving daughter of Olive and the late Richard. Beloved wife of the late Donald S. Lamesch. Dearest mother of Narayani (Matt) Hiffman and Devayani (Josh) McCulloch. Cherished grandmother of 5. Caring sister of Margo (the late Jack) Carlson, Mary (Jim) McGinty, Janette Tepas and Richard (Ana). Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Beloved cousin of many and extended family. Family and friends are asked to meet at Our Lady Immaculate Church 410 Washing Blvd., Oak Park Saturday for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment St. Charles Cemetery Fond du Lac, WI. Private. Arrangements entrusted to **Peterson-Bassi Chapels**. Info 773.637.4441



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Lange, Carole A.

Carole A. Lange nee Rasmussen, age 85 Beloved wife of the late Donald Lange Devoted mother of Michael and Mark. Loving sister of the late Harry (Judy) Rasmussen and sister-in-law of the late Darlene (Bernie) Grossi. Cherished aunt of Lisa Mutter, Brian, & the late Todd Rasmussen and Randy & the late Claudia Grossi. Visitation Friday, January 11, 2019 from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Family and friends will gather at the **Schmaedeke Funeral Home**, 10701 S. Harlem Ave, nWorth, IL at 11:00 AM for a Funeral Service, Saturday, January 12, 2019 Interment Chapel Hill Gardens South Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to a charity of your choice appreciated. For information 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com



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Ludwig, Gretchen A

Gretchen A. Ludwig, age 70, of Inverness. Beloved friend of Emily Alford. Devoted sister of Susan E. Ludwig, Gary T. (Deborah) Ludwig, Nancy J. (Douglas) Graber. Caring aunt and great aunt of several nieces and nephews. Gretchen was born November 7, 1948 in Buffalo, NY to the late Harold and Winifred, nee Oyer, Ludwig and passed peacefully on January 8, 2019 at her home. Gretchen taught for 14 years in the Arlington School District 25, was a principal in Elgin for 3 years, a principal in District 15 for 16 years, and was the principal for Holy Family Catholic Academy in Inverness for 9 years. Gretchen loved to travel and performed annually in classical soprano Christmas concerts. She was a very special woman and will be missed by all who knew her. Visitation Friday from 3 to 8 PM at Ahlgrim & Sons Funeral and Cremation Services, 330 W. Golf Road, Schaumburg. Instate Saturday from 10 AM until the time of service at 11 AM at Barrington United Methodist Church, 98 Algonquin Road, Barrington. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials will be appreciated to Barrington UMC, 98 Algonquin Road, Barrington, IL 60010-6145 or Menonite Disaster Service, 583 Airport Rd., Lititz, PA 17543 or First Baptist Church, 85 Main St, Hingham, MA 02043. Funeral information or online condolences, www.ahlgrimfuneral.com or 847-882-5580.

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Mc Swain, Betty Ruth

nee Ahern; age 87 years , Passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on January 8, 2019, resident of Manteno, IL, formerly of Matteson, IL, beloved wife of the late Girard J. "Jerry" McSwain; devoted mother of Mary McSwain, Patrick (Kathleen) McSwain, John (Julie) McSwain, Richard and Susan McSwain, Ruth Donaldson, Margaret (Timothy) Clapper, and Michael (Denise) McSwain; loving grandmother of 17 and great-grandmother of 7. dear Aunt of Joseph (Mary) Haimann. Betty was a founding member of St. Lawrence O'Toole Catholic Church. Visitation Thursday from 2 to 9 p.m. at **Hirsch West End Funeral Home**, 3501 W. Lincoln Hwy. (Rt. 30), Matteson, IL, Funeral Friday, 9:15 a.m. at chapel, to St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, 4101 St. Lawrence Ave., Matteson, IL. Mass of Christian Burial 10 a.m. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Chicago, IL. For information or to express your thoughts or memories in the online guest book, 708-748 3800 or www.hirschfuneralhomes.com.



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Meland, Sharon

Sharon Meland, age 76. Beloved wife of 57 years to Karl; devoted mom of Michael, Kristi, Amy (James) Sellergren and Karl David (Angela); cherished grandmom of Olivia, Max, Annika, Layla, David, Elsa and Brooks; dear sister of Ronald (Galeta) Clayton and the late Sandra. Flowers are welcome or memorials can be made to Rainbow Hospice. Visitation Friday, January 11, 2019 from 3 to 9 P.M. Funeral Service Saturday, 10 A.M. at **Nelson Funeral Home** 820 W. Talcott Road, Park Ridge. Interment Town of Main Cemetery. For information www.nelsonfunerals.com or (847) 823-5122.



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Meyenberg, M.D., John E.

John E. Meyenberg, M.D. Age 92. Loving brother of Rosemary (the late Michael) Pavlo, Helene, Mercedes (the late Stephen) Foley, the late Dorothy (the late William) Payne, the late Margaret (the late Robert) Dhamer and the late Thomas (the late Joyce). Dear uncle of Robert, Therese Ann, Dennis, Mary Therese, Peter, John, Michelle, Joseph, Mary Margaret, Cathy, Stephen, Maureen, Patty, William, Thomas, John, Susan, Cathy, Mary Ann, Rosemary, Anne Marie, the late Thomas, Timothy, Therese, and John. Cherished great-uncle to many. Visitation Friday, January 11, 4-9 p.m., at **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, 120 S. Northwest Hwy. (2 blks. S. of Touhy), Park Ridge. Family and friends will meet at St. Paul of the Cross Church, 140 S. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge, on Saturday, January 12, for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment will follow in All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, www.nazarethcsfn.org, are appreciated. For information, www.ryan-parke.com.



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Moeller, Howard

Moeller, Howard F., age 94, passed away, Saturday, January 5, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Helen Moeller (nee Hupfeld); dearest father of Patricia (Chris) Briggs and Dennis (Janet) Moeller; dear grandfather of Matthew (Tova) and Rachel Briggs, Elizabeth, Madeleine and Mark Moeller; our dear brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend.



Services: Memorial visitation at Manchester United Methodist Church, in the Chapel, 129 Woods Mill Road, Saturday, January 12, 10:00 a.m. until time of service at 11:00 a.m. interment private. If desired, contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity. A service of the SCHRADER Funeral Home and Crematory. Friends may sign the family's on-line guest book at Schrader.com

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Nicholson, Dorothy A.

Dorothy A. Nicholson (nee Mowen) 83. December 11, 2018. Beloved wife of the late John T. Loving mother of John (Susan), Thomas (Lisa), Robert (Katherine), Theresa (Scott) Bodmer, Patricia (James) Woodier and James (Val) Nicholson; cherished grandmother of Bob, Sara, Dan, Chrissy, Bryant, Maureen, Mitch, Kimmy, T.J., Luke, Stephen and Renee; proud GG of Caide, Bobby and Colin; dearest sister of the late Charles (aka Patrick) (Shirley), Virginia (Bernard Nicholson), Donald (Denny), and Richard; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. Interment Private. Memorial Mass Saturday 1/12/19 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 15050 Wolf Rd, Orland Park. Visitation with Family from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to your favorite charity or anyone in need.

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Oeser, Marcella R.

Marcella R. Oeser (nee Brophy) age 87 of Crete, Illinois passed away on January 8, 2019. Beloved wife of 68 years to Joseph H.; loving mother to Joseph S. (Mellanie) Oeser and Jean (Thomas) DalCorobbo. Cherished grandmother to Brian (Deanna) DalCorobbo and Jamie (Robert) Healy; great grandmother to Dominick Healy, Olivia Healy and David DalCorobbo. Marcella was a former employee for Western Electric. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to your local Animal Shelter. Visitation Friday, January 11, 2019 from 2:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. at **Crete Funeral Home**, 1182 Main Street, Crete, Illinois. Funeral service on Saturday at 12 Noon at the funeral home. Interment: Skyline Memorial Park, Monee, Illinois. Info: (708) 672-7600. Cretefuneralhome.com

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Olson, Leda Y.

Leda Y. Olson, 89, of Aurora and formerly of North Riverside, died January 7, 2019. Loving mother of Paul (the late Diane) Olson, of Orland Park, and Karen Olson of Aurora; sister of the late Floria (Jim) Klicman; aunt to Vickie (Lee) Neuschaefer, of Bataiva, Jackie (the late Richard) Gallo of Aurora, and the late James Klicman. All services were held private. Services provided by **Moss Family Funeral Home**, Batavia 630-879-7900, www.mossfuneral.com

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Powers, Jayne

Jayne Powers nee Kendricks. Former Village Clerk of Oak Lawn for 28 years. Beloved wife of Thomas Joseph Powers. Loving mother of Tom Powers, Kevin Powers & Sharon Powers-Landis. Cherished grandmother of Megan, Alyssa (Bob), Russel, Leann, Joseph, Kevin & Samuel. Proud great grandmother of Jocelyn. Devoted sister of Sharyn (the late William) Guerin. Treasured aunt of many nieces & nephews. Funeral Saturday 10:00 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St. Oak Lawn to St. Linus Church for Mass at 11:00 am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Friday from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm. thompsonkuensterfuneral-home.com 708-425-0500

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Roston, Jeffrey

Father of Michael (Amanda), Grandfather of Ruby and Phoebe. Brother of Carl (Wendy), Laurie (Robert), Laurie (William) and Linda (Douglas). Uncle to Annie, Seth, Zachary, Dylan and Laura. Son of Gilbert and Sally. Step-son of Janet, Myron, Arleen and Elaine. Jeff died on January 4. He took the road less traveled, and was very much loved. If you wish to make a donation, please consider ChicagoDebates.org.

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Selk, Julianne M.

Julianne M. Selk, (nee Webb) loving mother of Angela and William (Samantha); beloved daughter of William Sr. and Barbara (nee Jedresik); dearest sister of William Jr. C.P.D., (Diana), Valerie (William) Drobitch, and Joseph, retired C.P.D. (Sandra); loving aunt and friend of many. Lifelong parishioner and volunteer of St. Barbara Church and longtime, dedicated employee of Liberty Mutual Insurance. Funeral Saturday 9:30 am from Pomierski F.H., 1059 W. 32nd St., to St. Barbara Church for 10 am Mass. INT. Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Friday 3-9:00 pm. (773)927-6424 www.pomierskifuneralhome.com

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Stoller, Irving

Irving Stoller, 99. Beloved husband of the late Bernice, nee Greenbaum. Loving father of Robert and Ronald (Nancy). Proud grandfather of Sara (Michael) Blumberg, Lindsay (Brian) Werth, Danny (Katie) Stoller, Laura (Nathan) Harres, and Lisa (Adam) Anderson. Cherished great grandfather "GG" of 10. Preceded in death by his 5 brothers and 2 sisters and loving uncle of many. Service Friday 10 AM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Boulevard (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to Jewish War Veterans, jww.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals**- Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com



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Van Zandt, Diane

Diane Van Zandt, nee Geannopolos, age 95, passed away on January 7, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Louis P. Van Zandt. Loving mother of Louis P. Van Zandt II and Stacy (Louis) Kafkes and proud Grandmother of Alaina and Diana Kafkes. Devoted daughter of the late Vasilios and the late Efstathia Geannopolos and dear sister of the late Ethel Geannopolos, the late Julie (the late George) Sweeney, the late Peter Geannopolos and the late Sam (the late Sandy) Geannopolos. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews and their families. Family and friends will meet on Friday morning, January 11, 2019, at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 2701 N. Sheffield Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 for Visitation from 10:00 am until time of Funeral Service at 10:30 am. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers; instead, memorial donations may gratefully be made to St. George Greek Orthodox Church. Arranged by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please call 847-375-0095.



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Waywood, John

John E. Waywood, 95, of Chicago, January 6, 2019. Husband of the late Shirley. Loving father of William (Beth) Waywood. Visitation Friday, January 11, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:00 am at Drake & Son Funeral Home, 5303 N. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. Graveside Service 11:15 am Friday at Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago, IL. 60660. 773-561-6874

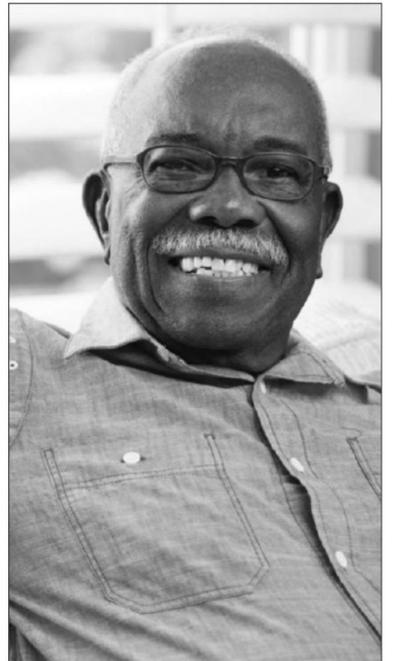
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Wheat-Joyce, Margaret

Margaret Wheat-Joyce, age 68; beloved wife of the late George E. Joyce; loving mother of Nathaniel Piha and step-mother of Jo Ann Gardner and Jackie Joyce; step-grandmother of Mary and Billy Gardner. Visitation Friday 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at **Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home**, 4343 Main St. (1 blk. So. of Ogden Ave.) Downers Grove. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to United Way of Illinois, www.UnitedWayIllinois.org appreciated. www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com or 630/968-1000.



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Whetstone (Yoder), Marilyn A
Marilyn A. (Yoder) Whetstone, of Aurora, IL, formerly of Elkhart, IN, went to be with her Lord and Savior on January 8, 2019. Marilyn lost her battle with breast cancer after a long and courageous fight.

Marilyn was born on July 3, 1943, the third child of Melvin J. and Anna (Schrock) Yoder in Elkhart, Indiana. She was a 1961 graduate of Elkhart Senior High School and began her business career 3 days after her high school graduation with a position as Administrative Assistant in the Research & Development Department of Miles Laboratories, Inc. of Elkhart. Marilyn was employed at Miles for 10 years prior to moving to the Chicago area where she lived for over 30 years. Marilyn moved back to the Chicago area to be near her family in 2014 after living in Goshen, IN from 2002-2014.

Marilyn began playing the violin while in 3rd grade and continued playing on through high school with the Elkhart Senior High School Orchestra under the direction of Mr. John Davies. In 1960, the orchestra was granted an in-resident composer from the Julliard School of Music and later recorded several albums.

Marilyn married Robert Massingill on November 11, 1966 in Elkhart and later divorced in January 1986. She then married Richard P. Whetstone on May 18, 1991 in Arlington Heights, IL. He passed away on February 9, 2013.

Marilyn worked at Moore Business Forms as an Executive Assistant and in the Law Department and Consumer Marketing Divisions of Kraft Foods in Glenview, IL for over 22 years, retiring in 1999. She also worked at Coldwater Creek in retail sales in the Chicago area. Marilyn returned to Elkhart in 2002 and again returned to the work force as a Paralegal at Sanders Pianowski law firm in Elkhart for 5 years retiring from the business world permanently in 2007.

Marilyn was involved in a variety of activities in her churches, Prince of Peace, in Palatine, IL, Trinity Lutheran Church in Elkhart and most recently St. Johns Lutheran Church in Wheaton, IL including teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, small group Bible studies, meal ministries, the Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) program, and Ladies' Circles.

She was a mentor in the Dreamwork Mentoring program for over 7 years and was also a member of the Four Winds Garden Club of Elkhart, the Middlebury Middies Red Hatters, the Four Arts Club, and most recently the Potawatami Garden Club of St. Charles, IL. St. John's Garden Club and member of the Ladies Afternoon Circle.

She loved her children and grandchildren more than life itself. She enjoyed her flower gardens, reading, spending time with family and friends and her two beloved miniature dachshunds, Molly and Emme, who preceded her in death.

Marilyn is survived by three children: Michele (Brett) Johnson of Birmingham, AL, Jenee (Jason) Dessenberg of Monee, IL, and Brandon (Ana) Massingill, of Wheaton, IL; six grandchildren: Taylor Conner, Brendan Conner, Carson Conner, Kit Chapello, Sofia Massingill, and Amelie Massingill, and two stepchildren: MariChris Scott and Daniel Whetstone and one step-grandchild, Daniel Dean Scott. She is survived by a sister, Karen (Richard) Litwiller, of Goshen, IN and one brother, Kenneth Yoder of Burlington, MI. She was preceded in death by a brother, Quenten Yoder in 2012.

Visitation will be from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. on January 11, 2019 at Hartzler-Gutermuth Funeral Home in Elkhart. Funeral services will be on January 12, 2019 at 10am at Trinity Lutheran Church, Cleveland Road, Elkhart, IN. Burial will follow at Olive Cemetery, County Rd. 3, Elkhart, IN.

A memorial service will also be held on January 19, 2019 at 11am at St. John's Lutheran Church, Wheaton, IL.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church & School, Cleveland Rd, Elkhart, IN or St. John's Lutheran Church, Wheaton, IL

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Zuchman, Sheldon A.

Sheldon A. Zuchman, age 80; beloved son of the late Charles and Ann, nee Jaffe; husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and cousin of many. Sheldon was a pawnbroker throughout his colorful life. He grew up on Division Street and attended Roosevelt High School. Lifelong friend of Joey Goldstein and Harlean Vision. Adopted father figure to Scott Cohen. Special thanks to Bruce Soberoff, from the Buckingham's, in making him happy as an official "roadie" for the last few years. He loved the White Sox, sports, politics, but not Trump. Graveside service Friday 12pm at Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, IL 60706. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals, 773-625-8621



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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Ava Kelly

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Kathleen Kelly (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01127

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Daniel D Compton (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **December 3, 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 01/31/2019 at 9:00 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.

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 10, 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
Deonta Reed

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Shamantha Milner (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01124

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Jerry Reed (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **November 30, 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 01/31/2019 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.

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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 10, 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
Devonta Milner

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Shamantha Milner (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01123

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Brian Anderson (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **November 30, 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 01/31/2019 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.

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.

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Janique Holts

A MINOR NO. 2018JD01942

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Unknown (Mother), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on December 1, 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 Sanju Oommen Green in the Cook County 6th Municipal Courthouse located at 16501 South Kedzie Parkway, Markham, Illinois on 01/24/2019 at 9:00 AM in CALENDAR 76 COURTROOM 099.

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 10, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: C. Astrella, Z. Peasail, E. Rubio ATTORNEY FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 16501 South Kedzie Parkway CITY/STATE: Markham, Illinois 60428 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (708) 232-4061 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Jyquawn Mccllellan

A MINOR NO. 2018JD01633

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Eric Mccllellan (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on October 4, 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 01/24/2019 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 10, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: G. Morris, E. Washington ATTORNEY FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Lee Anthony I Lewis

A MINOR NO. 2018JD01840

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Willie Smith (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on November 13, 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 01/24/2019 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.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT January 10, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: G. Morris, E. Washington ATTORNEY FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF COOK COUNTY OF THE TIME AND PLACE FOR FILING VALUATION COMPLAINTS (ASSESSMENT APPEALS) RELATING TO 2018 REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENTS Notice is hereby given that during the period JANUARY 10, 2019 THROUGH FEBRUARY 8, 2019, the Board of Review of Cook County will accept the filing of valuation complaints (assessment appeals) for ALL TOWNS - EXEMPTIONS (3RD INSTALLMENT) for the revisions and corrections of the 2018 Real Estate Assessments. All complaints will be considered by the Board in Room 601 of the County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, in accordance with the laws of Illinois, under the provisions of the Illinois Property Tax Code (formerly the Revenue Act of 1939), as amended.

Call (312) 603-5542 for a complaint form and further information. Approved by the Board of Review of Cook County, Illinois in said County, this 8th day of January, 2019.

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Makhi Catton AKA Makhi Howard Catton

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Keinji Jackson (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 15JA00949

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Michael Catton (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 in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Richard Stevens in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/15/2019, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, 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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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 10, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Penelope Stone

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Clare Stone (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01142

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Joseph Collins (Father), AKA Smitty, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom it May Concern, that on December 5, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Bernard Sarley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/31/2019, at 11:30 AM in CALENDAR 9 COURTROOM I, 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 10, 2019

CITY OF EVANSTON NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Purchasing Office in Room 4200, Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201, until 2:00 P.M. local time on February 5, 2019. Proposals shall open the following:

2019 Great Merchant Grant Planters RFP Number: 19-03

The City of Evanston's Economic Development Division is seeking proposals from experienced firms for installations of new planters, changing of seasonal plantings, and general maintenance of planters for six (6) of the City of Evanston's business districts.

The above item shall conform to the RFP on file in the Purchasing Office. The document, including all necessary plans and specifications, will be available in the Purchasing Office on January 3, 2019. Parties interested in submitting a bid should contact the Purchasing Office to receive a copy of the RFP or the City's website at: www.cityofevanston.org/business/bids-proposals/ or Demandstar at: www.demandstar.com

The City (the City of Evanston) in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois, hereby notifies all firms that it will affirmatively ensure that the contract(s) entered into pursuant to this notice will be awarded to the successful firm without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation marital status, disability, familial status or national origin. The City of Evanston reserves the right to reject any or all submittals or to accept the submittal(s) deemed most advantageous to the City.

The Evanston City Council also reserves the right to award the contract to an Evanston firm if that firm's bid is within 5% of the low bid.

Each Proposer shall be required to submit with his/her proposal a Disclosure of Ownership Interest Statement Form in accordance with Section 1-18-1 et seq. of the City Code. Failure to submit such information may result in the disqualification of such proposal.

Linda Thomas Purchasing Specialist

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Serrena Wilkins AKA Serena Wilkins

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Tyesha Wilkins (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00730

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Shannon Johnson (Father), respondents, and to All Whom it May Concern, that on August 3, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Richard Stevens in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/20/2019, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 16 COURTROOM F, 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 10, 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 Terrence Coleman

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Yureka Coleman (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00603

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Terrence Cross (Father) AKA Terrence Ross Any And All Unknown Fathers Any , respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on June 28, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Andrea Buford in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/31/2019, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 4 COURTROOM D, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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Darlene A. LoCascio Director Procurement and Materials Management Chicago, Illinois Pub: 1/10/2019 6076730

NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES

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FORECLOSURES

F18081019 SLS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Seasoned Credit Risk Transfer Trust, Series 2018-1 Plaintiff, vs. Yvette R. Dudley, aka Yvette Dudley; MB Financial Bank, N.A.; The 801 South Plymouth Court Apartment Condominium Association; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 18 CH 14501 801 South Plymouth Court Unit 910, Chicago, Illinois 60605 Horan Calendar 61 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Yvette R. Dudley aka Yvette Dudley, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: PARCEL 1: UNIT NUMBER 910 IN 801 SOUTH PLYMOUTH COURT APARTMENT CONDOMINIUM, AS DELINEATED ON A SURVEY OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: PARTS OF LOT 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 1 IN DEARBOND PARK UNIT NUMBER 1, BEING A RESUBDIVISION OF SUNDRY LOTS AND VACATED STREETS AND ALLEYS IN AND ADJOINING BLOCKS 127 TO 134 BOTH INCLUSIVE IN SCHOOL SECTION ADDITION TO CHICAGO IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 14 AND THAT PART OF VACATED SOUTH PLYMOUTH COURT LYING WEST OF AND ADJOINING LOT 1 IN DEARBOND PARK UNIT NUMBER 1 AFORSAID EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS WHICH SURVEY IS HEREBY GIVEN AS EXHIBIT "A-2" TO "THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED AS DOCUMENT 2682610 TOGETHER WITH ITS UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS, PARCEL 2: EASEMENT FOR PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AS CREATED BY THE OPERATING COVENANT RECORDED OCTOBER 18, 1983 AS DOCUMENT 26826098 AND AS CREATED BY DEED FROM LALSALLE NATIONAL BANK, A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST AGREEMENT DATED OCTOBER 18, 1981 AND KNOWN AS TRUST NUMBER 104467 TO LESLIE A. CALDWELL DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1986 AND RECORDED MARCH 31, 1986 AS DOCUMENT 86119568, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, R.N. 176-419-007-114; said property is commonly known as 801 South Plymouth Court Unit 910, Chicago, Illinois 60605, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Yvette R. Dudley and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 0529916127 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before February 9, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg, ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 Ipleadings@anselmolindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078298

F18092007 KIRK IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION Kirkland Acquisitions LLC Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Glenn M. Jacobs aka Glenn Jacobs aka Glenn Marvin Jacobs; Jackie Carter aka Jacqueline Carter aka Jacqueline Carter Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 18 CH 15066 4324 West Cullerton Street, Chicago, Illinois 60623 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Glenn M. Jacobs aka Glenn Jacobs aka Glenn Marvin Jacobs, Anthony W. Jacobs, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: LOT 29 IN BLOCK 5 IN PHILIPS EQUITABLE LAND ASSOCIATION SECOND ADDITION TO CHICAGO IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PIN 19-36-220-025-0000. Said property is commonly known as 4324 West Cullerton Street, Chicago, Illinois 60623, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Lagodie Jacobs and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 0932047065 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before February 9, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg, ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 Ipleadings@anselmolindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078287

FORECLOSURES

F18070050 RSGNT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Plaintiff, vs. Unknown heirs and legatees of Bessie Singleton aka Bessie L Singleton aka Bessie Lee Singleton; Michael Singleton; Alexis J. Wilson aka Alexis J. Johnson aka Alexis Innocent; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 18 CH 15437 1500 West 113th Place, Chicago, Illinois 60643 Simko Calendar 5- NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown heirs and legatees of Bessie Singleton aka Bessie L. Singleton aka Bessie Lee Singleton, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: LOT 37 AND THE EAST 12 AND 1/2 FEET OF LOT 38 IN ROGERS RESUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 63 EXCEPT LOTS 1 TO 14 IN SAID BLOCK OF WASHINGTON STREET BEING A RESUBDIVISION OF SECTIONS 18, 19 AND 20 IN TOWNSHIP 37 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPLE MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF SAID ROGERS RESUBDIVISION, RECORDED AS DOCUMENT #94881, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PIN 125-20-1123-0000. Said property is commonly known as 1500 West 113th Place, Chicago, Illinois 60643, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Bessie Singleton and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document number 0801748020 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before February 9, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg, ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 Ipleadings@anselmolindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078269

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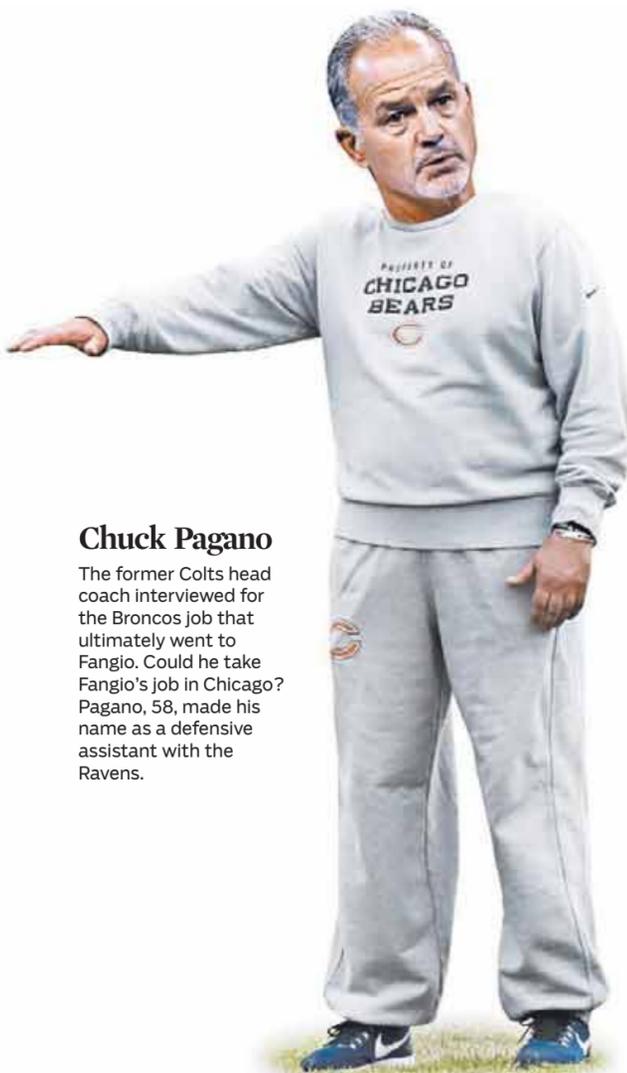
Ed Donatell

The Bears defensive backs coach could be in line for a promotion. He served as a coordinator with the Falcons and Packers. Donatell, 61, is soon to be a free agent and could wind up on Fangio's staff in Denver.



Chuck Pagano

The former Colts head coach interviewed for the Broncos job that ultimately went to Fangio. Could he take Fangio's job in Chicago? Pagano, 58, made his name as a defensive assistant with the Ravens.



Steve Wilks

Wilks' first NFL head-coaching stint didn't go well as he was fired Dec. 31 after one season with the Cardinals. Wilks, 49, a longtime Panthers assistant, has Bears ties, having coached defensive backs under Lovie Smith from 2006-08.



Gregg Williams

Despite going 5-3 as the Browns' interim head coach, Williams, 60, was relieved of his duties Wednesday. He has been defensive coordinator for six franchises, including the Saints in 2009-11, when Bears general manager Ryan Pace worked in New Orleans.



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Because Fangio did so much in building an elite defense, **BRAD BIGGS** says the Bears can survive the loss — no matter how bad it looks



Vic Fangio wasn't carried off the field on his players' shoulders after his final game, but he is the first Bears defensive coordinator since Buddy Ryan after Super Bowl XX to leave the franchise to become a head coach.

The Broncos are hiring Fangio as their new coach and he is expected to be introduced Thursday at a news conference in Denver.

It is the first head-coaching job for Fangio, 60, who masterminded the rise of the Bears defense since coming to the organization under John Fox in 2015. Previously, Fangio was a coordinator for the 49ers, Texans, Colts and Panthers in a professional career that dates to 1984 with the Philadelphia Stars of the USFL.

With many teams seeking the next hot, young offensive mind, the Broncos bucked the trend, picking Fangio over Steelers offensive line coach Mike Munchak. He is the first head coach hired this cycle with a defensive background after the Packers (Matt LaFleur), Browns (Freddie Kitchens), Cardinals (Kliff Kingsbury) and Buccaneers (Bruce Arians) made their moves.

Two days after the wild-card round a year ago, Matt Nagy boarded a plane in Kansas City, Mo., and headed for Chicago to be hired as Bears coach.

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PREDATORS 4, BLACKHAWKS 3 (OT)

New look unable to prevent OT loss

DeBrincat scores in return to 1st unit, but Predators prevail

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

The Blackhawks have struggled to put together more than two strong lines for most of the season, which is why coach Jeremy Colliton found a home for Alex DeBrincat on the third line several weeks ago.

It appears to have been a good idea, with DeBrincat scoring six goals in that new role. But that statistic is a bit misleading. Three of DeBrincat's last four came on the power play, and the fourth came one second after a power play had expired.

On Wednesday, Colliton mixed things up. He put DeBrincat back on the top line with Jonathan Toews and Dominik Kahun during a 4-3 overtime loss to the Predators at the United Center.

"I think he's been playing well for a while," Colliton said. "Tried a little something different with the combos, tried to spread the ice around a little bit, also. Think we got a good response."

The Hawks fought back from a two-goal deficit to tie the score 3-3 on Artem Anisimov's eighth goal with 2 minutes, 21 seconds remaining in the third period, but Filip Forsberg's second goal of the game a minute into the extra session gave the Predators the win.

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TRAIL BLAZERS 124, BULLS 112

Backcourt has shot to prove itself

Rugged 5-game trip to test LaVine, Dunn

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

PORTLAND, Ore. — Even when the Bulls trotted out, say, Kyle Macy and Steve Colter in the 1980s, they were in the conversation for the league's best backcourt.

Such was the greatness of Michael Jordan.

From 2008 onward, Derrick Rose's meteoric rise placed the Bulls there again, or at least in consideration for one of the game's elite pairings. They stayed there when Jimmy Butler, through force of will, became an All-NBA player even as Rose worked to navigate his way back from multiple knee surgeries.

The Bulls aren't currently in that conversation, although ideally from the organization's standpoint Zach LaVine and Kris Dunn will put them there soon.

This five-game trip — which began with Wednesday's 124-112 loss to the Trail Blazers at the Moda Center and signified the official mid-way point of another rebuilding season — represents an opportunity to show how they measure up against some of the league's elite pairings.

LaVine and Dunn matched up against Damian Lillard and C.J. McCollum, one game before doing the same against the Warriors' Stephen Curry and Klay Thompson.

LaVine and Dunn are finally — and fully — healthy. They have 41 games remaining to justify the faith management showed when it traded Butler for the two guards and the draft rights to Lauri Markkanen.

Can they get there?

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DYLAN HERNANDEZ

McVay grows 'coaching tree'

LOS ANGELES — Indirectly, Sean McVay is responsible for USC's latest humiliation.

Because almost every NFL team wants its own version of the Rams coach.

The Cardinals named McVay's friend Kliff Kingsbury as their head coach, costing a crumbling USC program the offensive coordinator whose recent appointment tempered calls for head coach Clay Helton to be fired.

The Bears' pairing of bright offensive mind Matt Nagy with second-year quarterback Mitch Trubisky last year was compared to the McVay-Jared Goff partnership in L.A.

One of McVay's former assistants, Matt LaFleur, is the new coach of the Packers. A couple of coaches on McVay's current staff, Zac Taylor and Shane Waldron, also have interviewed for head-coaching positions.

When his influence was mentioned to him, the 32-year-old McVay joked, "I'm too young to have a coaching tree."

What McVay didn't say was that he also hasn't won. He has won in the regular season, but not when it really counts. He hasn't won in the postseason.

The regular-season victories are important. So is his guidance of Goff, who has transformed from a potential bust to a two-time Pro Bowler under McVay's watch. A coach's worth, however, is measured by how his teams perform at this time of the year.

McVay has collected 24 victories and two division titles in his two seasons as a head coach. He is also winless in the postseason.

The playoffs are why Bill Walsh became a mythological figure. They made Jimmy Johnson a celebrity who transcended football. They are what distinguish Bill Belichick from everyone else in the profession.

If McVay is to remain the subject of widespread adoration, if he is to continue to be regarded as a visionary, he has to win in the postseason.

A victory over the Cowboys on Saturday night would be a start.

McVay is a year removed from his postseason failure last season, theoretically now a year wiser and a year more prepared.

"We just know our players better, our coaches," McVay said. "We've got better continuity. I think there's a better understanding of how we as a coaching staff can put our players in spots to maximize their abilities."

In the wild-card round last year, the visiting Falcons controlled the clock, dominated possession and sent the Rams crashing to a 26-13 defeat. McVay couldn't replicate his regular-season magic on the postseason stage.

"Like anything else, I think we've done a good job of learning from our experiences, both good and bad, and that's what's allowed us to feel like we've improved," he said.



DAVID BANKS/AP

Rams coach Sean McVay, huddling with quarterback Jared Goff, still needs a playoff win.

McVay will have to deal with a unique set of circumstances that extend beyond the opponent. His most important offensive player, running back Todd Gurley, hasn't played since Dec. 16 because of a knee injury.

There are also questions about Goff. Over a three-game stretch from Week 13-15, Goff passed for only one touchdown and had six passes intercepted. The third-year quarterback recovered his form in the last two weeks of the regular season, as none of his passes ended up in opposing hands.

But there's a possibility the resurgence of Goff and the Rams offense was a mirage. The Cardinals, who the Rams defeated in Week 16, won only three games. The 49ers, whom the Rams downed in the regular-season finale, won four.

The Rams completed the regular season with 13 wins, nine more than they had in their last season under Jeff Fisher. The increase in wins is only one reason other teams are searching for a coach like him. How he did it is equally important. The NFL has become a passing league.

"This is a reflection, I think, more than anything, of the culture that's created by the people that are here, and that's coaches, players, our staff, and I think that's what's flattering about it," McVay said. "I think it would be naive to think that any of this is about one person. That certainly isn't the case at all."

"If the last two years have taught me anything being in this role, it's you better surround yourself with a lot of people that are better than you so you can learn every day and not feel like you have to have the answers to things that you don't just based on your experiences."

Football etiquette won't allow McVay to say it, but he's as close to being on top of the sport without actually having reached its summit. This isn't a place he can remain forever. At some point, he will have to win in the postseason. Failure to do so will send teams scrambling for coaches in the mold of someone else.

Dylan Hernandez covers the NFL for the Los Angeles Times.

ASK THE REPORTER BRAD BIGGS

When will Parkey get booted off the team?



How soon are the Bears cutting Cody Parkey? And does Ryan Pace take any blame for not trying out new kickers knowing he had the yips this season?

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I'm not sure how the Bears are going to handle Parkey. I think they will have a hard time bringing him back with any level of confidence that he can perform in 2019. Absolutely, Pace has to take blame for the position over the last three years. He has done a lot of things well. He hasn't picked kickers well. I don't know if bringing in street free agents in November or December made a lot of sense. The kickers on the street usually perform like you'd expect kickers on the street to perform: not well. The one thing that hasn't been mentioned about Parkey, and I'm not defending him here, is the six kicks that hit an upright were close to going in. It's not like he was ripping duck hooks out there, kicks that you knew were going way wide when they left his foot. He was missing by inches.

I'm curious what your thoughts are about the defense on the decisive fourth-and-goal against the Eagles. Golden Tate just ran a basic out pattern with little resistance. Why the soft coverage on the most important play of the season?

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I don't think it was soft coverage. The Bears were locked in man-to-man coverage and it was nickel cornerback Sherrick McManis covering Tate. McManis was playing at the line of scrimmage. Tate is a crafty player and he did a very good job of selling the release with a hesitation move. Tate glanced inside at quarterback Nick Foles, which you don't see very often, and that led McManis to look back as well and that is when Tate separated. Tate sort of slow played McManis and it's really difficult to recover there with the placement Foles had on the pass. Outside linebacker Leonard Floyd got good pressure on the play and forced Foles to sling it almost sidearm and the throw was just outside of Tate's frame. It was a money throw by Foles and a good route by Tate. The touchdown wasn't because the Bears were playing soft coverage. It was kind of a risky call by Eagles coach Doug Pederson because he's cutting the left half of the field off from the snap with the quick spring right. If Tate isn't open, it's a scramble drill for the receivers or Foles has to try to run it in from the 2-yard line. The fade route by Alshon Jeffery was just a run-off to get cornerback Kyle Fuller out of there so it's really a one-man route with Tate.

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Bears' future looks bright despite the loss of Fangio

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Three days after this year's wild-card round, in which the Eagles eliminated the Bears 16-15 at Soldier Field, Nagy is in search of a new defensive coordinator. The Bears sought to replace Fangio with former Jets coach Todd Bowles, but he chose to rejoin Arians in Tampa Bay.

It's a good problem for the Bears to have. Broncos President John Elway wouldn't have hired Fangio if the defense hadn't been impressive the last few seasons. In fact, it was dominant this season, ranking first in scoring defense and leading the league in several key statistical categories, including run defense, takeaways and opponents' passer rating.

Fangio doesn't leave after a Super Bowl title, as Ryan did, but the defense is young with foundational players at all three levels, meaning the work Fangio did since arriving as the coordinator under Fox leaves the Bears well-positioned to excel for seasons to come.

Selfishly, players had said they hoped Fangio would remain in place but acknowledged he deserved an opportunity to become a head coach.

"#cursewords," cornerback Prince Amukamara wrote on his Twitter account after news of Fangio's departure broke.

Fangio had interviewed for a head-coaching job only three times before: with the Bears last year, the 49ers in 2015 and the Chargers in 1997 — meaning he went 22 years between his first interview for a top job and landing one.

Nagy is already working to locate a successor.

The Bears had hoped to land Bowles, who was on the same Eagles staff as Nagy in 2012, and they spoke with Bowles on Wednesday before he chose to go to the Buccaneers. Nagy has a longstanding relationship with Bowles — Nagy's father coached him in high school. Arians has an even deeper background with Bowles. Arians coached Bowles at Temple, and Bowles served as his defensive coordinator with the Cardinals. As one source said, the ties between Bowles and Arians ran too deep for the Bears to win out, even though they possess a significantly better defensive



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

As he plans ahead for his second season, Bears coach Matt Nagy is working to find someone to be the defensive coordinator.

roster and are coming off a 12-4 season.

Bears secondary coach Ed Donatell could be considered as a replacement for Fangio. He has coordinator experience with the Falcons and Packers. He has done excellent work the last four seasons with the Bears, helping develop cornerbacks Kyle Fuller and Bryce Callahan and safety Eddie Jackson. But Donatell, 61, is coming out contract and will be a free agent. He previously worked with Fangio in San Francisco, and Fangio could look to hire Donatell with the Broncos.

A host of other experienced defensive minds are on the market. Former Colts coach Chuck Pagano, former Cardinals coach Steve Wilks and former Broncos coach Vance Joseph are all available. The Browns released interim coach Gregg Williams from his contract Wednesday morning. General manager Ryan Pace knows Williams well from their time together with the Saints.

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BEARS

FINDING VIC FANGIO'S REPLACEMENT

“(He) knows in certain situations what to do. He knows how to game plan. So as much as I’d like to say it’s not going to change, I would think it’s going to change a little bit.”

— Brian Urlacher,
to WMVP-AM 1000,
on Vic Fangio

Defense on spin cycle

BY RICH CAMPBELL AND DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

Vic Fangio is moving on. The Bears defensive coordinator is leaving Chicago to become the Broncos head coach. And now general manager Ryan Pace and coach Matt Nagy face their first major challenge in trying to sustain the momentum of their breakthrough 2018 season. Over the last four years, Fangio lifted the Bears defense from near the bottom of the NFL, molding that unit into one of the league’s most respected groups. This season, the Bears led the NFL in takeaways and points allowed. But with Fangio heading west, that leaves Nagy with big shoes to fill as he searches for a new coordinator. Every candidate will present strengths and weaknesses. Here are five questions to consider as the Bears search for Fangio’s replacement.

1. Who are some potential candidates to replace Fangio?

It’s impossible to know exactly what Nagy’s short list looks like. But the coach made it clear last week that he prides himself on being prepared for situations like this. “I always have to have a contingency plan for every coach on our staff,” Nagy said. “That doesn’t just happen (this month) because names start flying around. I have to be smart enough to know who these guys are. ... Now when the time comes, if you have to deal with that, you have a plan ready to go.”

There was every reason to connect the dots between Nagy and recently dismissed Jets coach Todd Bowles. Nagy’s dad coached Bowles in high school and the two know each other very well. But Bowles has agreed to join new Buccaneers coach Bruce Arians’ staff as defensive coordinator.

Others have wondered whether Bears secondary coach Ed Donatell would be in line for a promotion to become the defensive coordinator. That’s something Nagy and Pace will consider. But Fangio and Donatell have a strong relationship and have spent the last eight seasons together with the 49ers and Bears. So it would be no shock if Fangio brings Donatell with him.

Browns coordinator Gregg Williams, who was the team’s interim head coach for the final two-plus months this season, is again available after that organization on Wednesday named Freddie Kitchens their head coach. Naturally, that will make Williams a ball in the speculative game of pingpong that occurs in the earliest stages of a coordinator hunt.

Nagy and Pace are expected to meet the media before week’s end. If a new coordinator hasn’t been hired, at the very least the coach and GM should be able to shed additional light on their search.

2. How extensive must the next coordinator’s experience be?

Nagy never had been a head coach at any level before taking the Bears job. His inexperience was one of the driving forces in retaining Fangio, who just finished his 19th season as an NFL coordinator.

Nagy devoted almost all his energy to overseeing the offense while letting Fangio oversee the defense with a high level of autonomy. Nagy was comfortable with that arrangement because of Fangio’s track record, the respect he had from players as a leader and the schematic continuity he brought to a defense on the rise.

After one season in the big chair, Nagy has a better feel for challenges involved with dividing his time and attention. But it would not be surprising if he feels compelled to stay almost fully locked in on the offense next season, given that group finished 21st in the NFL in total yards. There’s still a lot of work to be done on Nagy’s side of the ball as he works to ensure Mitch Trubisky’s mastery of the scheme. So there would be upside in hiring an experienced defensive coordinator.

A long, successful resume would certainly help elevate Nagy’s trust. Then again, as a 40-year-old, fast-rising coach himself, Nagy will keep his mind open to the potential innovation a younger coach could provide.

3. Just how attractive is the Bears opening?

An argument can be made that this is the most attractive position open in the NFL. The Bears are coming off a stellar 2018 season in which they led the league in takeaways (36) and points allowed (17.8). The defense had four players selected to the Pro Bowl. Ten starters are under contract to return next season. And it’s possible the Bears could ultimately bring back nickel cornerback Bryce Callahan and safety Adrian Amos as well.

This is a confident group with continuity on its side and difference-makers on all three levels. And besides, what defensive coordinator wouldn’t line up for the chance to hitch his wagon to Khalil Mack?

Furthermore, whoever signs on will be uniting with Nagy, an offensive-minded leader who, as we just mentioned, essentially gave Fangio total control of the defense last season.

Right away, the next defensive coordinator will be able to check several important boxes — talent, established success, freedom — before running his first practice.

As with any opening like this, a prospective coach will want to assess the Bears’ chances of sustaining success. So at some level there will be curiosity as to how much help Trubisky and the offense can provide. Still, with a work-in-progress offense this season, a tenacious defense led the way to a 12-win division-championship season.

4. How important is it for the Bears to stick with a 3-4 front in their base package?

Shortly after Nagy was hired last winter, Pace downplayed the difference between a 3-4 and 4-3 base scheme, noting that the Bears — like most NFL teams — operate in sub packages approximately two-thirds of the time. That’s typically a four-man line with two inside linebackers and five defensive backs.

Still, the base alignment can’t be entirely discounted. Fangio’s arrival in 2015 brought the 3-4 front to Chicago for the first time. Pace has spent the last four seasons constructing a group that fits that.

Eddie Goldman, for example, is a true nose tackle who lines up over the center in the base defense. Could he be a shade tackle in a 4-3? Sure, and he already does some of that in the sub package. But it would require adjustments.

Or how about Leonard Floyd on the edge? Would he be best served as a hand-on-the-ground end? Or do the Bears want to use him (and Mack) as stand-up edge defenders who also can drop into coverage, offering a level of unpredictability?

When it comes to scheme, another question would center on coverage. Prince Amukamara, for example, is good at pressing and playing bump-and-run. Kyle Fuller has significantly improved in that area. Would a new coordinator ask the corners to play more zone? Would he mix up coverages like Fangio did?

A common refrain is that good coaches tailor the scheme to players’ strengths, and the Bears clearly had a good thing going under Fangio. They would be wise to seek a successor with a similar vision and flexibility.



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5. What kind of ripple effect will Fangio’s exit have on his players?

A week ago, none of the Bears defenders even wanted to entertain the idea of Fangio leaving. Said Adrian Amos: “He’s a great coach, a great defensive mind. A lot of our success is due to him.”

Added Pro Bowl defensive lineman Akiem Hicks: “I’ve been coached hard my entire life. And in the NFL to have a guy who’s had so much experience and been on so many winning teams and coached players that play my position, I have a lot of respect for him. I’ve enjoyed being coached by him.”

Fangio was so well-respected at Halas Hall for his ability to position his players for success. He’s a true behind-the-scenes grinder who takes pride in his preparation and rarely leaves his defense unprepared. He also was incredibly flexible, understood how to best use players’ strengths and had a knack for putting his defense in the right calls at the right times.

Heading into the start of organized team activities last spring, Bears players expressed the value of continuity under Fangio. They knew him. He knew them. And that allowed the defense to hit the ground running from the first day of OTAs, to build on their growth from the previous couple of years. The Bears didn’t really break stride at any point and put together a terrific season.

No matter who is hired to replace Fangio, there will be at least a small step back. There will be a feeling-out process that will have to play out. There will be a new system to learn and install. Adjusting to the changes will take some time.

For decades now, players from the 1985 Bears defense have made it known that while they were able to remain successful for several years after Buddy Ryan’s exit, things were never quite the same. In 2007, after the Bears lost to the Colts in Super Bowl XLI, Lovie Smith replaced defensive coordinator Ron Rivera with Bob Babich and the defense stumbled, contributing to a first-to-worst 7-9 tumble.

On Tuesday evening, Hall of Fame linebacker Brian Urlacher acknowledged Fangio’s departure could affect the Bears defense in 2019 and beyond.

“You’d like to say it’s not going to be different,” Urlacher said on WMVP-AM 1000. “Because it’s the same scheme, it’s the same players. But it’s not the same mind running that scheme. (Fangio) knows in certain situations what to do. He knows how to game plan. So as much as I’d like to say it’s not going to change, I would think it’s going to change a little bit.”

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NFL

Jets set to name Gase as coach

Browns go offensive, make OC Kitchens their new head coach

Tribune news services

The Jets stayed in the AFC East to find their new coach.

Former Dolphins coach and Bears offensive coordinator Adam Gase agreed Wednesday night to take the Jets job, a person familiar with the decision told the Associated Press.

The hiring ends a 10-day, wide-open search for the Jets, who met with seven other coaches about the vacancy: Mike McCarthy, Kris Richard, Jim Caldwell, Eric Bieniemy, Todd Monken, Matt Rhule and Kliff Kingsbury, who took the Cardinals job.

The person spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the team had not announced the hiring.

Gase was 23-26 in three years with the Dolphins, including a playoff game in the 2016 season, before being fired last week. It turns out he'll remain in the division and face the Dolphins twice every season.

Gase replaces Todd Bowles, who was fired after he went 24-40 in four seasons with no playoff appearances. He's the Jets' first hire with previous full-time NFL head-coaching experience since Bill Parcells' three-year tenure (1997-99).

Gase, 40, is the first offensive-focused coach the Jets hired since Rich Kotite in 1996.

Regarded as one of the league's top young offensive minds, he'll be tasked with furthering the development of quarterback Sam Darnold and helping the Jets snap an eight-year postseason drought.

While he had control over personnel in Miami, Gase will work closely in New York with general manager Mike Maccagnan, who was retained by Chairman and CEO Christopher Johnson, to put together a competitive roster around Darnold.

The Jets are expected to have around \$100 million in salary-cap space this offseason and will be very active in free agency.

Browns to hire Kitchens: It has become a trend for NFL teams to hire innovative offensive play callers as head coaches, and the Browns concluded they already had someone who fit the description in their building.

They will hire Freddie Kitchens as their ninth full-time head coach since 1999, a league source confirmed to the Akron Beacon Journal. ESPN first reported the decision.

The move completes a remarkable rise for Kitchens, 44, who established himself as one of the league's hottest offensive coordinators over the final eight games of 2018 and helped the Browns finish 7-8-1 a year after they went 0-16.

The Browns had narrowed the search to Kitchens and longtime Vikings assistant Kevin Stefanski, who became offensive coordinator for the final three weeks after John DeFilippo was fired. The Vikings announced Wednesday they retained Stefanski as offensive coordinator.

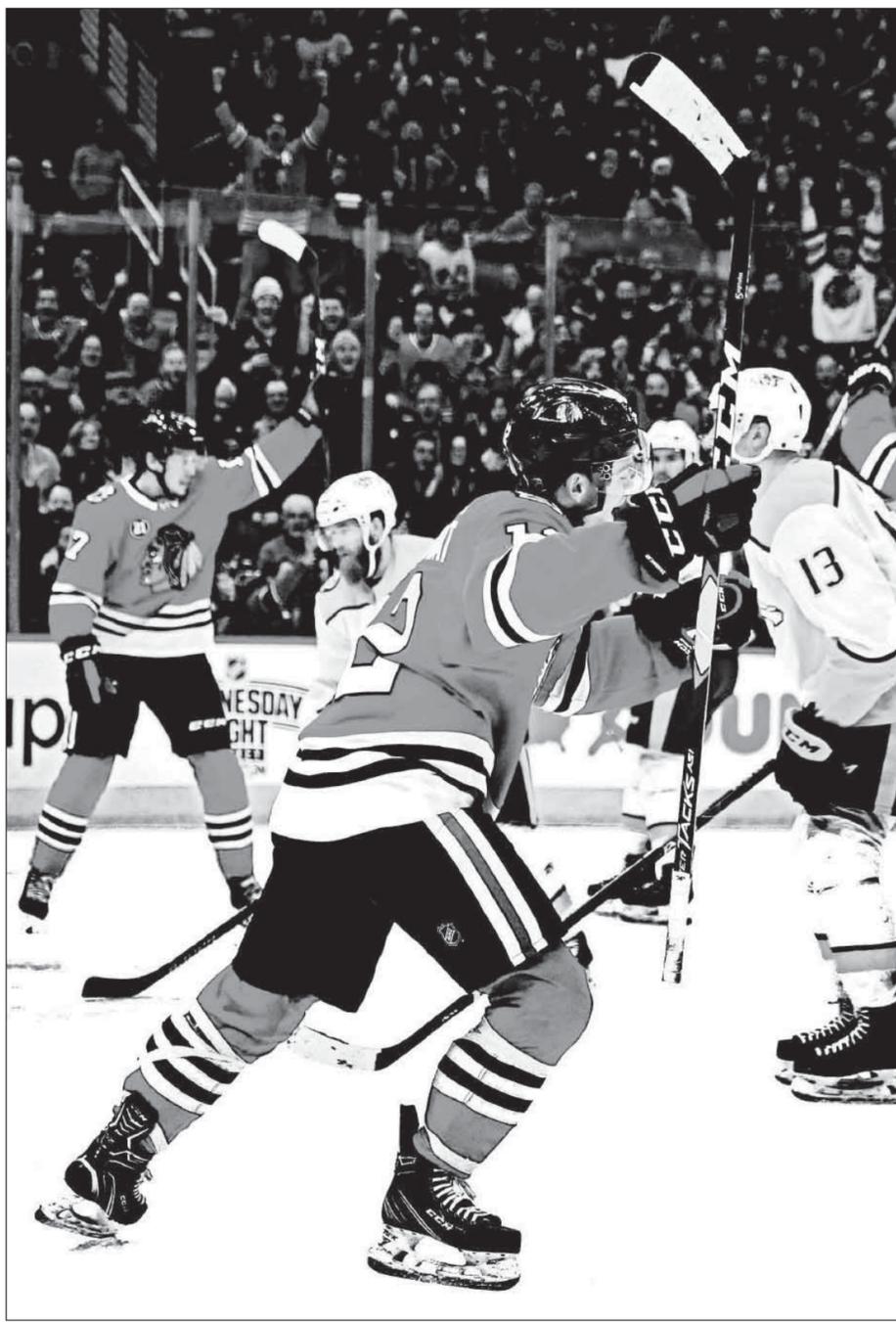
General manager John Dorsey and other members of the search committee also interviewed Browns interim coach Gregg Williams, former Lions and Colts coach Jim Caldwell, Saints assistant head coach/tight ends coach Dan Campbell, Patriots linebackers coach Brian Flores and Colts defensive coordinator Matt Eberflus.

In the end, Kitchens prevailed, becoming the fifth full-time head coach since Jimmy and Dee Haslam bought the team in 2012 and the 17th in franchise history.

One of his first orders of business will be to hire a defensive coordinator because Williams was fired and won't return to the Browns, a league source confirmed. ESPN first reported Williams had been relieved of his duties. He spent the last two seasons with the Browns.

Some key members of the offensive coaching staff will be retained, and running backs coach Ryan Lindley could receive a more prominent role.

BLACKHAWKS



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Alex DeBrincat raises his stick in celebration after scoring in the first period of Wednesday's overtime loss.

DeBrincat back on top line in OT loss

Blackhawks, from Page 1

Forsberg fought past Toews down the right boards and lifted a shot over Collin Delia to send the Hawks to their fourth loss in their last five games.

DeBrincat and Patrick Kane kept up their formidable chemistry on the power play, connecting on a goal that didn't seem possible until the puck was in the back of the net.

Kane was controlling the puck in the right faceoff circle, seemingly unable to find a pass, when he suddenly zipped a pass through several defenders to DeBrincat, who one-timed a shot past Predators goalie Pekka Rinne.

"Just try to find the seam and you know he's going to pass it there," DeBrincat said. "He's going to put it right there in my

wheelhouse. That's just my work, I got to get open and find that seam and he's always looking for me."

DeBrincat's 21st goal put him on pace to finish with 37 after he scored 28 as a rookie last season. Kane's two assists gave him 19 points in his last 10 games, and he has had the primary assist on DeBrincat's last four goals.

The Predators took a 1-0 lead with 13:11 left in the first period. Erik Gustafsson turned it over behind his own net, which started a chain reaction that led to Kevin Fiala finding Colton Sissons alone in front of the Hawks' net for his ninth goal.

After DeBrincat's goal, the Predators went back ahead a mere eight seconds later on Viktor Arvidsson's 13th goal. Forsberg added a power-play goal to make it 3-1.

The Hawks got to within 3-2 on a shorthanded goal by Toews with 20 seconds left in the second. Marcus Kruger chased down a puck in the Predators' zone and threw a backhander to Toews, whose wrist shot from the slot beat Rinne.

"It's a nice play by Krugs," Toews said. "I just tried to throw it past the defender, get it on net, and nice to see it go in. Sometimes it's nice to get a bounce and a short-handed goal like that that you don't expect. Nice for us to kind of slow their momentum down."

Delia's second straight start was the shakiest of his six this season, but he still stopped 33 of 37 shots.

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BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Strome showing no fear of the hook

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

The times have changed for Dylan Strome.

Not too long ago, making a mistake or having a bad game could turn into a benching. That's not the case anymore.

Strome, who took three minor penalties in less than one period during Monday's loss to the Flames, has already established himself as one of the Blackhawks' key players since coming over in a trade with the Coyotes.

"It's one of those games you try to forget," he said before Wednesday's 4-3 overtime loss to the Predators. "Before if I did that I might be scratched. Now, I feel like I'm helping the team win and contributing and trying to win faceoffs. I'm just going to shrug it off and go out there (against the Predators) and forget it ever happened."

Strome has seven goals in 21 games with the Hawks after scoring seven goals during the first 48 games of his career.

Hayden back in the lineup: Exactly where John Hayden fits into the Hawks' lineup is something coach Jeremy Colliton is still trying to figure out.

He's tried him on several lines, given him power play time and, like the last two games, made him a healthy scratch. Hayden was



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Hawks' Dylan Strome, right, tries to gain control of the puck in the first period of Wednesday night's overtime loss to the Predators.

back against the Predators, and Colliton knows what he wants to see.

"When he's playing his best, he's skating," Colliton said. "He's pressuring the puck. He's getting to the battles early — on time. And then he's able to use his size and his grittiness and comes up with some pucks and forces turnovers."

We want him to play in the offensive zone because then he's forechecking, he's causing havoc. He protects the puck really well and he's great cutting back and taking the puck to the net. That's where we want him to be."

One-timers: Defenseman Gustav Forsling (upper torso) was placed on injured reserve retroactive to Jan. 5. ... Brent Seabrook sat out Wednesday with an illness and was replaced by Henri Jokiharju, who played his first game since returning from the World Junior Championships. ... Former Hawk Nick Schmaltz will miss the rest of the season with a knee injury. "I talked to him yesterday," Patrick Kane said. "Feel bad for him for sure." ... Corey Crawford (concussion) was spotted at the United Center, but there was no update on his condition.

COLLEGES

IOWA 73,
NORTHWESTERN 63

Sizzling Hawkeyes surprise Wildcats

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

The Illinois game was one Northwestern could not afford to lose — for obvious reasons. The Wildcats gutted that one out Sunday.

Iowa's visit Wednesday night also represented a borderline must-win. The Hawkeyes entered Welsh-Ryan Arena having lost eight straight Big Ten road games, and top scorer and rebounder Tyler Cook was a late scratch with knee soreness.

The Wildcats could not get it done. They hit just 7 of 27 from 3-point range (25.9 percent) in a 73-63 loss.

"A disappointing night for us for sure," coach Chris Collins said.

The Hawkeyes fans who helped sell out Welsh-Ryan hollered, "Let's go Hawks! Let's go Hawks!" once the game was in hand.

Iowa freshman swingman Joe Wieskamp scored a game-high 19 points, and the 6-foot-11 Luka Garza was a terror down low, scoring 16 points and earning 11 trips to the foul line. NU center Dererk Pardon fouled out with more than four minutes to play.

"They attack the paint and drive the ball," Collins said. "They play with great physicality."

Pardon scored a season-low six points and had just five rebounds in 29 minutes.

Fellow senior Vic Law also had a miserable night. He shot 4-for-13 and fired five blanks on 3s, his second straight game without a made 3-pointer.

"He missed some shots he normally takes," Collins said. "He knows he has the green light to take them."

Northwestern opened a 41-35 lead early in the second half, prompting Iowa coach Fran McCaffrey to lambaste his team during a timeout, his face turning beet red.

The Hawkeyes responded, going on a 17-5 run as the NU defense collapsed, allowing a series of layups and open jumpers.

"We didn't kill the momentum," NU guard Anthony Gaines said. "We have to do a better job of demanding a stop."

Gaines had a perfect shooting night: 3-for-3 from the field, 7-for-7 from the line. The rest of the team could not find the bottom of the net. The Wildcats finished 22 of 57 (38.6 percent).

This was a painful defeat for Northwestern, which fell to 10-6 and 1-4 in Big Ten play.

"Tough loss," forward A.J. Turner said. "We still have 15 Big Ten games left, so we're not down and out, we're just being positive. We'll watch the film and see what we can learn."

Iowa (13-3, 2-3) learned two key things: It can win without Cook, its 17.3-points-per-game scorer. His swollen knee kept him on the bench.

And the Hawkeyes learned they can get it done on the road in the Big Ten.

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MARQUETTE 106,
CREIGHTON 104 (OT)

Howard's 53 lift Golden Eagles

Associated Press

Markus Howard scored 14 of his career-high 53 points in overtime after Sam Hauser's deep 3-pointer at the end of regulation tied the game, and No. 21 Marquette beat Creighton 106-104 on Wednesday night in Omaha, Neb.

Howard's dazzling offensive performance set a Marquette record and broke his own record for points in a Big East game. His 53 points were the most by a player in a game matching Division I opponents this season and one behind the 54 Furman's Jordan Lyons had against D-II North Greenville. Howard had 52 against Providence last season.

It was also the highest-scoring performance ever by a Creighton opponent.

Marquette never led until Howard scored on his team's first possession of overtime.

Marquette (13-3, 2-1 Big East) won for the first time in four road games.

Creighton (10-6, 1-2) dropped its second straight.

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
		@GS 9:30 NBCSCH, AM-670	@UTAH 9 NBCSCH, AM-670			@LAL 9:30 WGN-9, AM-670	
			VGK 7:30 WGN-9, AM-720		@NJ 6 NBCSCH, AM-720		

THURSDAY ON TV/RADIO

NBA							
6 p.m.	Celtics at Heat						TNT
8:30 p.m.	Thunder at Spurs						TNT
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL							
6 p.m.	Cincinnati at Tulsa						ESPN2
6 p.m.	Winthrop at Campbell						ESPNU
6 p.m.	SMU at UConn						CBSSN
7 p.m.	Michigan at Illinois		FS1, WSCR-AM 670				
8 p.m.	Robert Morris at St. Francis						CBSSN
8 p.m.	Penn State at Nebraska						ESPN2
8 p.m.	East Carolina at Memphis						ESPNU
8 p.m.	UCLA at Oregon						ESPN
9 p.m.	Washington at Utah						FS1
10 p.m.	Pacific at Gonzaga						ESPN2
10 p.m.	USC at Oregon State						ESPNU
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL							
11 a.m.	Quinnipiac at Marist						ESPNU
4 p.m.	Morehead State at Belmont						ESPNU
5 p.m.	Indiana at Ohio State						BTN
6 p.m.	Louisville at Notre Dame						ESPN
7 p.m.	Iowa at Purdue						BTN
GOLF							
6 p.m.	Sony Open						Golf Channel
NHL							
6 p.m.	Capitals at Bruins						NBCSCH
7 p.m.	Jets at Wild						NBCSN
TENNIS							
2 a.m.	Auckland, Sydney, Hobart early round						Tennis Channel
(Fri.)							
5 a.m.	Auckland, Sydney, Hobart early round						Tennis Channel
(Fri.)							

NFL							
POSTSEASON SCHEDULE							
DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS							
Saturday							
Indianapolis (11-6) at Kansas City (13-3), 3:35 (NBC-5)							
Dallas (11-5) at LA Rams (13-3), 7:15 (FOX-32)							
Sunday							
L.A. Chargers (13-4) at New England (11-5), 12:05 (CBS-2)							
Philadelphia (10-7) at New Orleans (11-3), 3:40 (FOX-32)							
CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS							
NFC: TBD, 2:05 (FOX-32)							
AFC: TBD, 5:40 (CBS-2)							
PRO BOWL							
Sunday, Jan. 27							
at Orlando, Fla.							
AFC vs. NFC, 2 (ABC-7/ESPN)							
SUPER BOWL LIII							
Sunday, Feb. 3 in Atlanta							
AFC champ vs. NFC champ, 5:30 (CBS-2)							

WILD-CARD PLAYOFFS							
Saturday, Jan. 5							
Indianapolis 21, Houston 7							
Dallas 24, Seattle 22							
Sunday, Jan. 6							
Philadelphia 15, Bears 15							
Dallas (11-5) at LA Rams (13-3), 7:15 (FOX-32)							

CALENDAR							
Feb. 25-March 4 : NFL combine, Indianapolis							
March 15 : League year and free agency begin.							

COACHING CHANGES							
TEAM 2018 COACH							
2019 COACH							
Ari	Steve Wilks	Kliff Kingsbury					
Cle	Hue Jackson	Freddie Kitchens					
Cin	Marvin Lewis	TBA					
Den	Vance Joseph	Vic Fangio					
GB	Mike McCarthy	Matt LaFleur					
Mia	Adam Gase	TBA					
NJ	Todd Bowles	Adam Gase					
NY	Dirk Koetter	Bruce Arians					

COLLEGE FOOTBALL							
2018-19 DIV. I BOWL GLANCE							
ALL STAR BOWLS							
J19	Shrine	St. Petersburg, Fla.	East vs. West	2	3		
J19	Collegegate	Pasadena, Calif.	American vs. National	1	2		
J21	Senior Bowl	Mobile, Ala.	Northern vs. South	1	130		

DATE BOWL							
D15	Celebration	Atlanta	NC A&T 24, Alcorn St. 22				
D15	Cure	Orlando	Tulane 31, La-Lafayette 24				
D15	New Mexico	Albuquerque	Utah State 52, N. Texas13				
D15	Las Vegas	Vegas	Fresno St. 31, Arizona St. 20				
D15	Camelia	Montgomery, Ala.	Ga. Southern 23, E. Michigan 21				
D15	New Orleans	New Orleans	Appalachian State 45, MTSU 13				
D16	Boca Raton	Boca Raton, Fla.	Syracuse 34, W. Virginia 18				
D19	Frisco	Frisco, Texas	Ohio St. 27, San Diego State 0				
D20	Gasparilla	St. Petersburg	Marshall 38, USF 20				
D21	Bahamas	Nassau	Florida International 35, Toledo 32				
D21	Famous Idaho	Boise	BYU 49, Western Michigan 18				
D22	Birmingham	Birmingham, Ala.	Wake Forest 37, Memphis 34				
D22	Armed Forces	Fort Worth, Texas	Army 70, Houston 14				
D22	Dollar General	Mobile, Ala.	Troy 42, Buffalo 32				
D22	Hawaii	Honolulu	La. Tech 31, Hawaii 14				
D26	SEVPRO	Dallas	Boston Coll. vs. Boise State, ccd.				
D26	Quick Lane	Detroit	Minnesota 34, Ga. Tech 10				
D26	Cheez-It	Phoenix	TCU 10, California 7 (OT)				
D27	Independence	Shreveport, La.	Duke 56, Temple 27				
D27	Pinstrip	Bronx, N.Y.	Wisconsin 35, Miami 3				
D27	Texas	Houston	Baylor 45, Vanderbilt 38				
D28	Music City	Nashville	Auburn 63, Purdue 14				
D28	Camping World	Orlando	Syracuse 34, W. Virginia 18				
D28	Alamo	San Antonio	Wash. St. 28, Iowa St. 26				
D29	Peach	Atlanta	Florida 41, Michigan 15				
D29	Belk	Charlotte, N.C.	Virginia 28, S. Carolina 0				
D29	Arizona	Tucson, Ariz.	Nevada 16, Ark. State 13				
D29	Cotton	Fort Worth, Texas	Clemson 30, Notre Dame 3				
D29	Orange	Miami, Fla.	Michigan 34, Oklahoma 34				
D31	Military	Annapolis, Md.	Cincinnati 35, Virginia Tech 31				
D31	San Antonio	San Antonio	Stanford 14, Pittsburgh 13				
D31	Redbox	Santa Clara, Calif.	Oregon 7, Michigan State 6				
D31	Liberty	Memphis, Tenn.	Oklahoma State 38, Missouri 33				
D31	Holiday	San Diego	Northwestern 31, Utah 20				
J1	Gator	Jacksonville, Fla.	Texas A&M 52, NC State 13				
J1	Outback	Tampa, Fla.	Iowa 27, Mississippi State 22				
J1	Citrus	Orlando	Oklahoma 27, Penn State 24				
J1	Fiesta	Glendale, Ariz.	LSU 40, UCF 37				
J1	Rose	Pasadena, Calif.	Ohio State 28, Washington 23				
J1	Sugar	New Orleans	Texas Tech 28, Georgia 21				
J7	CFP Final	Santa Clara, Calif.	Clemson 44, Alabama 16				

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL							
AMERICAN LEAGUE							
Previews: Agreed to terms with C Kevin Plawecki on a one-year contract.							
Texas: Agreed to terms with RHP Shelby Miller on a one-year contract.							
NATIONAL LEAGUE							
Cincinnati: Agreed to terms with RHPs Anthony Bass and Odalismer De-Stephane, INF Christian Colon and OFs Jordan Patterson and Mason Williams on minor league contracts.							
FOOTBALL							
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE							
Atlanta: Named Ben Kotwica special teams coordinator.							
Indianapolis: Placed S Mike Mitchell on injured reserve. Signed S Rylan Milligan from the practice squad and DE Anthony Winbush to the practice squad.							
Minnesota: Named Kevin Stefanski offensive coordinator.							
Tennessee: Named Frank Rains strength and conditioning coach.							
HOCKEY							
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE							
Anaheim: Reassigned C Ben Street and D Shoji Mahura to San Diego (AHL).							
Arizona: Recalled F Michael Bunting from Tucson (AHL).							
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE							
Lehigh Valley: Returned F Michael Huntebrinker to Reading (ECHL).							
Milwaukee: Signed D Vince Pedri.							

GOLF: TEENING OFF

PGA TOUR							
SONY OPEN							
Site: Honolulu.							
Course: Waialae CC. Yardage: 7,044. Par: 72.							
Purse: \$6.5 million. Winner: \$1,152,000. TV: Thursday-Saturday, 6-9:30 p.m. (Golf Channel); Sunday, 5-9 p.m. (Golf Channel).							
Defending champion: Patton Kizzire.							
FedEx Cup leader: Xander Schauffele.							
Last week: Xander Schauffele won the Sentry Tournament of Champions.							
Next week: Desert Classic.							
Online: www.pgatour.com							
WEB.COM TOUR							
BAHAMAS GREAT EXUMA CLASSIC							
Site: Great Exumas, Bahamas.							
Course: Sandals Emerald Bay GC. Yardage: 7,001. Par: 72.							
Purse: \$600,000. Winner: \$108,000. TV: Sunday-Tuesday (Jan. 15-15), 4-2 2-5 p.m. (Golf Channel); Wednesday (Jan. 16), 12:30-3:30 (Golf Channel).							
Defending champion: Sungjae Im.							
Next week: Bahamas Great Abaco Classic.							
Online: www.pgatour.com/webcom							
PGA TOUR							
Next week: Diamond Resorts Tournament of Champions.							
Online: www.pgatour.com							
PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS							
Next week: Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai on Jan. 17-19.							
Online: www.pgatour.com/champions.							
QUALIFIERS FOR THE 83RD MASTERS							
Players listed only in the first category for which they are eligible.							
MASTERS CHAMPIONS: Jordan Reed, Sergio Garcia, Danny Willett, Patrick Reed, Bubba Watson, Adam Scott, Angel Schwartzel, Phil Mickelson, Charl Campbell, Trevor Immelman, Zach Johnson, Tiger Woods, Mike Weir, Vijay Singh, Jose Maria Olazabal, Bernhard Langer, Fred Couples, Ian Woosnam, Sandy Lyle, Larry Mize.							

LATEST LINE

NBA							
pregame.com							
Boston	1	THURSDAY	at Miami				
Oklahoma City	5½		LA Clippers				
Oklahoma City	1½		at San Antonio				
at Sacramento	5		at Detroit				
COLLEGE BASKETBALL							
at FIU	9	THURSDAY	Charlotte				
at Charleston	14		Drexel				
at NC-Wilmington	3½		Delaware				
at Appalachian St.	5½		Texas-Arlington				
Northeastern	7½		at Elon				
Cincinnati	8		at La-Monroe				
at Detroit	PK		Green Bay				
Old Dominion	4		at FAU				
at Georgia St.	6½		La-Lafayette				
at Oakland	8		Milwaukee				
at UConn	2		SMU				
Hofstra	3		at Wm. & Mary				
at IUPUI	9		Cleveland St.				
at Santa Clara	8		at UIC				
at La Tech	6		UAB				
Troy	2		at UALR				
at So. Miss	11		Mid. Tenn.				
at Arkansas	5½		S. Alabama				
Michigan	1½		at Illinois				
at UTSA	9½		Rice				
at UIC	10½		Youngstown St.				
at Oregon	14½		UCLA				
at Memphis	14½		East Carolina				
at Colorado	10		Wash. St.				
at BYU	17½		Portland				
at Nebraska	11½		Penn St.				
North Texas	4		at UTEP				
at Utah	PK		Washington				
at UC Irvine	12½		UC Davis				
at Oregon St.	3		USC				
at Santa Clara	5½		Pepperdine				
at Gonzaga	26½		Pacific				
at Coast. Carol.	off		Texas St.				

NHL							
Dallas	-116	THURSDAY	at Philadelphia	+106			
at New Jersey	off		Toronto	off			
NY Islanders	-127		at NY Rangers	+117			
at Columbus	off		Nashville	off			
at Boston	-138		Washington	+128			
at Tampa Bay	20		at Carolina	+180			
at Minnesota	-105		Winnipeg	-105			
at St. Louis	-114		Montreal	+104			
at Edmonton	-129		Florida	+119			
at Las Vegas	-121		San Jose	+115			
at Vancouver	-133		Arizona	+115			
at Los Angeles	-205		Ottawa	+185			

NFL PLAYOFFS							
at Kansas City	5½	SATURDAY	Indianapolis				
at LA Rams	7		at Dallas				
at New England	4	SUNDAY	LA Chargers				
at New Orleans	8		Philadelphia				

TENNIS							
ATP WORLD TOUR ASB CLASSIC							
R2 in Auckland, New Zealand;							
hard-court							
Taylor Fritz def. Denis Shapovalov, 6-3, 6-4 (5).							
#2 Fabio Fognini d. Peter Gojowczyk, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (5).							
Tennis Sandgren d. #3 Marco Cecchinato, 6-3, 6-2.							
#4 Pablo Carrero Busta d. David Ferrer, 1-1 retired.							
Leonardo Van Uytendaeke, 6-2, 6-1.							
Matteo Berrettini, 5-7, 7-6 (5), 6-3.							
Cameron Norrie d. Joao Sousa, 7-6 (5), 6-4.							
Philipp Kohlschreiber d. Ugo Humbert, 6-4, 6-4.							
Jan-Lennard Struff d. Robin Statham, 6-2, 6-1.							

WTA HOBART INTERNATIONAL							
R2 in Hobart, Australia; hard-outdoor							
#6 Alize Cornet d. Pauline Parmentier, 6-3, 6-0.							
#7 Kirsten Flipkens d. Viktoria Kuznetsov, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-1.							
Anna Karolína Schmiedlová d. #8 Alison Van Uytendaeke, 6-3, 6-2.							
Dayana Yastremska d. Vera Lapko, 6-1, 6-4.							
Belinda Bencic d. Irina-Camelia Begu d. Anna Blinkova, 4-6, 7-6 (2), 6-2.							
Sofia Kenin d. Ons Jabeen, 6-1 (6), 6-3.							
Greet Minnen d. Magda Linette, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6 (3).							

SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL							
In Sydney; hard-outdoor							
Men's 2nd round							
#1 Stefanos Tsitsipas d. Guido Andreozzi, 6-3, 6-4.							
#3 Diego Schwartzman d. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, 6-2, 6-3.							
#5 Gilles Simon d. Sam Querrey, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (6), 6-4.							
#6 Alex de Minaur d. Reilly Opelka, 6-4, 7-6 (5).							
#8 Andreas Sepp d. Martin Kližan, 7-6 (2), 6-2.							
Yoshihito Nishioka d. Andrey Rublev, 6-3, 6-1.							
John Millman d. #7 Marton Fucovics, 6-3, 6-4.							
Women's 1st round							
Ashleigh Barty d. #1 Simona Halep, 6-4, 6-4.							

NBA



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The Timberwolves were treading water with Tom Thibodeau, an unpopular coach who alienated the business side of the operation.

VIEW FROM MINNESOTA

Fast Thibodeau firing was actually overdue

BY CHIP SCOGGINS
Minneapolis Star Tribune

MINNEAPOLIS — The Timberwolves' decision to fire Tom Thibodeau midseason after two consecutive wins came as a shock to many inside and outside the organization. Yes, indeed, the timing of his dismissal Sunday was surprising.

What took them so long? Thibodeau's ouster was inevitable after his bungled handling of the Jimmy Butler fiasco. Team executives already knew they had a "Thibs problem" going back to last season, when the T-wolves finally ended a lengthy playoff drought and yet everyone seemed miserable and Thibodeau's popularity with fans couldn't have plummeted any lower.

Or so we thought. Then Thibodeau allowed Butler to make a mockery of him and the organization during training camp as he pretended his house wasn't ablaze. Thibodeau looked out the window and said, *Ah, what a lovely day it is.*

Thibodeau was done at that point. Owner Glen Taylor, who also owns the Star Tribune, had every justification to fire him then and there for allowing Butler to turn the entire organization upside down and create a circus.

Taylor had a lot of money tied up in Thibodeau (about \$24 million left on his contract at the time), so he waited and hoped things would improve once they removed their wart, Butler.

Here's the problem with that logic: The Thibs problem was never going to improve, barring a miraculous postseason run. And that wasn't realistic with Thibodeau's mishandling of the roster and playing time and a lack of collective progress.

The T-wolves are merely treading water with this roster, not marching toward anything significant. Treading water with an unpopular coach who also has alienated the business side of the operation with his tunnel-vision focus and gruff demeanor.

Thibodeau's firing stemmed from both basketball and business factors, not necessarily one thing but an accumulation of issues. It's not a coincidence that his firing came a few weeks before season ticket renewals are issued.

Thibodeau's personality and decision making caused irreparable damage in public relations. Attendance sank lower and lower, and fans continued to boo him during introductions. Thibodeau suffered



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from a crisis of confidence that wasn't going to be reversed.

Taylor's mistake was not hiring Thibodeau to be his coach. He erred in also giving him full authority as president of basketball operations.

Taylor likely could not have landed Thibodeau without granting him control of personnel, but the owner learned an expensive lesson: One person should not be entrusted with both of those jobs. It's an outdated model that poses too many challenges and competing interests.

Ultimately, Thibodeau failed at both jobs, but he did more damage as personnel czar because roster construction is paramount. And the T-wolves desperately needed a more detached approach to the Butler ordeal — someone who didn't view the situation through the same lens as a coach.

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A general manager or basketball president must take a longer view and formulate plans that protect the organization's best interests. A coach should have input, but everybody needs a boss at some point.

Thibodeau's ouster means the T-wolves face yet another organizational reboot. Taylor must hire the right coach and general manager to establish organizational stability. Scott Layden will remain in his GM post for now, but he was so closely aligned with Thibodeau that a thorough housecleaning is necessary.

Taylor would love to give the coaching job to Ryan Saunders if this audition goes well. That move would be embraced by fans who hold the Saunders family and memories of Flip in highest regard.

Thibodeau's tenure will be remembered for being complicated. The negatives outweighed the positives. His style and personality were a bad fit, and allowing him to hold dual jobs gave him too much authority.

The timing might have felt weird, but his firing was inevitable. Two wins did nothing to alter big-picture concerns.

BULLS NOTES

LaVine attacks rim, searching for more calls

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

PORTLAND, Ore. — Zach LaVine is shooting a career-high 87 percent on a career-high 5.9 free-throw attempts per game.

That's the good news. The bad news is that LaVine believes he should be going to the line even more often. In part by following Jim Boylen's preferred philosophy to drive the ball instead of settling for jump shots, the 6-foot-5 guard is attacking the rim. A lot.

There have been several recent instances when LaVine has raised his hands in protest, thinking he drew a foul. In other words, LaVine — and the Bulls — want LaVine's free-throw attempts to rise.

"I think I've done a good job of finishing through the contact," LaVine said. "It gets frustrating, but it's part of the game. You can't dwell on it. Get a tech here and there, maybe."

LaVine, who has drawn only two technical fouls this season, chuckled as he offered that last thought. His serious approach is to keep doing what he's doing.

"I think in the first 20 games, I was top 10 in free throws. I haven't really changed my approach or any moves I'm doing. It's got to be a respect thing," LaVine said. "But every game is different. The consistency will come eventually, especially when you get to that level of being known as one of those dudes who gets to the line and gets fouls. I'll keep doing the same thing."

Rotation roulette: As the morning shootaround ended, Boylen sat next to Jabari Parker, showing him film clips on a laptop. Could Parker, who hadn't played in 10 of the Bulls' previous 11 games before Wednesday's because of coach's decision or illness, be getting a reprieve?

"Shaq's still the backup (small forward)," Boylen said, referencing Shaquille Harrison.

Boylen said he merely wanted Parker to watch some clips with him.

"We're adding things," Boylen said. "We're refining things as we get to know each other and play together and get healthy people back. I want him to have a feel for what we're trying to do. He doesn't get all the practice reps because, obviously, he hasn't been playing. So we watched a couple of his defensive situations and we watched 15 offensive clips of the position he would play or the position he was playing in that clip. Just try to help him, coach him through."

The defensive-minded Harrison closed Friday's overtime loss to the Pacers, while Boylen opted for the more offensive-minded Antonio Blakeney in Sunday's loss to the Nets. What drives that decision?

"It's just gut, a feel, a matchup situation, who's on the floor," Boylen said. "All those things play into it. I like both those guys, and they both bring different things."

Backcourt's shot to prove itself

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"If we keep working," LaVine said, before making an important addition. "But you're not going to be mentioned as one of the best backcourts unless you start getting some wins."

The Bulls have now lost five straight, and the remainder of the trip doesn't get any easier.

This game turned late in the third quarter. Down just five, Bobby Portis committed a turnover and the Bulls let Zach Collins grab two offensive rebounds that led to Collins' basket and a Seth Curry 3-pointer.

Collins (16 points) and Curry (17) led a spirited bench effort that outscored the Bulls' second unit 56-41.

McCollum finished with 24 points, while Lillard added 16 points and 10 assists.

Wendell Carter Jr.'s 22 points led the Bulls, while LaVine scored 18 on 6-for-19 shooting and Dunn added 15 points and seven assists.

LaVine's career-high 23.6 points per game ranked 15th in the NBA entering Wednesday. Since Dunn returned to the starting lineup after missing 24 games because of a sprained left MCL, he has averaged 15.5 points, 7.4 assists and 5.1 rebounds in 12 games.

Lillard entered Wednesday night ranked 10th in the league with 26.2 points per game, while McCollum checked in at 20.8. Only the Warriors' backcourt averages more, with Curry and Thompson combining for 50.5 points per game.

"They're professional scorers. You've just got to make it tough on them defensively," LaVine said of Lillard and McCollum. "You've got to be up on every shot. The last time we were here, CJ had 50."

Indeed, McCollum scored 50 points in the Trail Blazers' 124-108 victory over the Bulls on Jan. 31, 2018. The crafty guard scored a franchise-record 28 points in the first quarter alone.

On Wednesday, Dunn guarded Lillard. LaVine defended McCollum. Defensively is where LaVine needs to show the most growth.

High-profile matchups are the ultimate motivator and reminder.

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eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE

Team USA error leads to prep star losing eligibility

By SAMANTHA PELL
The Washington Post

Maori Davenport still spends all of her time in the gym. When she's not in class at Charles Henderson High School in Troy, Alabama, or answering questions of probing adults at the grocery store, the U-18 Team USA gold medalist is on the court, trying to stay motivated, optimistic for a resolution that may never come.

Since late November, Davenport, a high school basketball star, has been sidelined for her senior season due to a disputed eligibility ruling stemming from a mistaken payment by USA Basketball. The Rutgers commit says she remains hopeful she can play with her high school teammates one last time.

But despite national outrage from influential figures throughout the sport, the Alabama High School Athletic Association, the organization responsible for ruling on Davenport's eligibility, is holding firm that she won't. The AHSAA doubled down on its decision Monday, reiterating that based on AHSAA bylaws and rules, there can be no further action taken by the state association.

"I don't understand why it is so hard to change it," Davenport said Monday night. "I feel like it is an easy fix. To be honest, I don't care whose fault it is. I just want to play again."

Davenport was ruled ineligible for receiving and cashing a \$857.20 check from USA Basketball for "lost wages" in the summer while helping lead Team USA to a gold medal in the FIBA Americas U-18 Championship in Mexico City. Davenport and her family were unaware that by cashing the check — which USA Basketball offers to all of its players as a stipend for lost wages and to recover costs associated with competing on the team — she violated AHSAA bylaws and rules, until three months later, when USA Basketball contacted her. The organization stated that it made a "clerical error" by not confirming whether the AHSAA allowed such payments before sending the check, as it usually does with state associations to avoid creating any eligibility issues for athletes. The payments are permitted by the NCAA and some state athletic organizations.

When informed of the error, Davenport's mother, Tara Davenport, immediately wrote a check to USA Basketball to repay the money, in addition to paying an extra \$40 to send the check back in 72 hours. Tara said she did not question the check initially, because it was from USA Basketball. In her eyes, the national organization was — and still is — trustworthy and reliable.

Tara then contacted AHSAA to self-report the check and inform them she had sent it back. However, the AHSAA ruled Davenport ineligible, sparking an appeal process and, last week, a public outcry following a widely shared article on espnW.

ESPN college basketball analyst Jay Bilas was one of the first to rip AHSAA's ruling, in multiple tweets that included: "Ridiculous. And, we 'adults' fall all over ourselves saying we're in it for the players, and we yak incessantly about 'athlete welfare.' Maddening. Some common sense might help."

Additionally, the WNBA, Spalding and several current and past WNBA and NBA players have spoken out against AHSAA.

"I don't think this is a real difficult situation," said WNBA Dallas Wings Coach Brian Agler, who has seen many of his players represent Team USA on the women's national team. "I'm just puzzled by the regality of the Alabama High School State Association. ... It's one adult group denying her the eligibility while another adult group also made an error."

The public outcry led Johnny Hardin, president of the central board of control of the AHSAA, to release a detailed statement Monday defending the association for its ruling, which stands by its claim that Davenport violated the Amateur Rule:

"A student cannot accept payment for loss of time or wages while participating in athletics as part of expenses. ... A student who has lost his/her amateur standing may be reinstated after the lapse



HAL YEAGER/AP

Rutgers commit Maori Davenport defends during a high school game in Alabama. Because of a Team USA error, Davenport can't play this season.

of one high school season for the sport in which he/she has become professional."

The statement details Davenport was originally ruled ineligible by Steve Savarese, AHSAA Executive Director, in late November, based on the language of the Amateur Rule. Following Savarese's ruling, her high school appealed to both appellate levels for the AHSAA, where the decision to make Davenport ineligible was upheld twice by unanimous vote.

"I just think they are trying to punish me because they can't punish Team USA," Maori said of AHSAA.

Craig Miller, USA Basketball's chief communication officer, said the organization holds itself accountable for its mistake and has supported Davenport's appeal, hoping that she can return to the court. The AHSAA statement claims the mistake from USA Basketball was "a complete lack of administrative oversight on the part of USA Basketball."

"The point of it is, to me, Maori did not do anything wrong," said

Tara Davenport, Maori's mother. "That is my whole point. Why is she being punished? And they aren't answering that. ... I can't wrap my mind around it. The check was sent to her.

"I cannot understand for the world why they are holding onto this rule that really doesn't match the situation."

The AHSAA statement points blame to multiple parties involved, including USA Basketball, Charles Henderson Coach Dyneshia Jones and Tara, claiming that because is a certified AHSAA coach, she is "required to uphold current AHSAA bylaws and rules."

Tara, a fifth-grade teacher who has been in the school system for 16 years, rebutted the statement, saying she primarily coaches middle school basketball and has only assisted at the varsity level.

"We have always been super careful and for this to happen, it is mind-blowing," she said. "But, I think about what I could have done differently and I don't think I would have done anything differently, because it came from

USA. I thought simply because the check was coming from USA, we were good, and that was it."

Charles Henderson principal Brock Kelley has been critical of the AHSAA's approach.

"My school has respectfully proceeded through the steps of the appeal process, but we have been met with a 'rules are rules mind-set' throughout," Kelley wrote in a statement on Tuesday. "I understand rules and believe in the fundamental aspects of rules. However, in this case, this is beyond the basketball court, beyond the rule book, and beyond this basketball season. This case is about character. It's about integrity. It's about doing the right thing and correcting a mistake when (it is) realized."

Davenport was not the only player from the U-18 team to receive a check from USA Basketball under the same circumstances. When Anaya Peoples, a Notre Dame commit out of Illinois, was notified of the mistake, her high school athletic director contacted the state athletic association to let them know Peoples'

family would be returning the check, and was told that there would be "no repercussions."

An official from the National Federation of State High School Associations, of which AHSAA is a member, stated they have no control over the rules interpretations made by each state association and therefore is unable to influence or change any rulings.

Davenport, who is left waiting to see if the AHSAA changes its mind on the ruling, said she holds no animosity toward USA Basketball — which is trying to get Davenport into the McDonald's All-American game.

Instead, she said, she is choosing to use her situation as a motivator.

"That's all I do nowadays," Davenport said. "I'm just in the gym. ... I really, really do want to play again, but if I can't play again I would like for the Alabama High School Athletic Association to make sure that no other high school student goes through this, no other student-athlete in Alabama goes through this. I want to be the last one."

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

Tour education includes tough round with Woods

BY DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

HONOLULU — Patton Kizzire took longer than expected to reach the PGA Tour, but he figures every step was a learning experience. That includes his first victory, which came at Mayakoba, his six-hole playoff win at the Sony Open last year and even one of the more embarrassing moments last year.

He played with Tiger Woods for the first time. Kizzire was so nervous on the opening tee shot at the Honda Classic that he hooked it into a palmetto bush and had to go back to the tee. He had rounds of 74-78 to miss the cut.

"Right there at the top," he said Tuesday. "At the time, I don't realize how good it is for me, but things that get me so excited I can hardly even perform and what makes me better. That was one of them. As painful as they are, those help."

He had been a fan of Woods for as long as he could remember, and appreciated that he was the biggest star in golf by some margin.

Watching on TV was one thing. Being announced to him on the tee was different.

"I'll feel more comfortable next time I play with him," Kizzire said. "I had a funny Instagram post after I played with him. It was like a first date with Tiger. I was pretty nervous, but soon I'll be farting in front of him."

Kapalua changes

The Plantation course at Kapalua might look the same when Xander Schauffele returns next year to defend his title.

But it probably won't play the same.

Kapalua is shutting down the course next month for Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw to begin a restoration project that will include a new surface, new greens, bunkers, pretty much everything from tee-to-green.

"Every single item on the golf course will be touched," said Alex Nakajima, general manager for golf and tennis at Kapalua.

Coore was delighted to hear the grass Kapalua chose is "Celebration Bermuda," which he said was key to making the Plantation course play how it's intended — fast. The last several years, the course has played soft. Previously, the 4-iron Gary Woodland hit into the 18th green would not have stopped rolling until it was on the green. Coore recalls telling one resort guest years ago to hit a club he normally hits 150 yards to the seventh green, even though he had 250 yards. It rolled to the green.

Mark Roling, a TV golf analyst who has lived at Kapalua from the start, summed it up best.

"For the average player, the course has become much harder," he said.

"For the best players in the world, the course has become much easier."

Work is expected to be finished about two months before the Tournament of Champions starts.

World ranking

Under the revamped scoring system at the Tour Championship this year, the top player in the FedEx Cup starts the tournament at 10-under par, with the second player at 8 under and on down until the last five players in the 30-man field starts at even.

So the winner of the Tour Championship — and the FedEx Cup — might not have the best score that week.

One problem is what to do about world ranking points because of the staggered start.

PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan says he can imagine the Tour Championship getting ranking points. "If I imagine it in general, I think it will," he said.

The tour already has presented a proposal to the Official World Golf Ranking board, and a decision could come as early as April.

One scenario that makes the most sense is to keep score where everyone starts even, like a regular tournament, and award points accordingly.

The drop

More than leaving the flagstick in for putts on the green, the one



KEVIN C. COX/GETTY

Patton Kizzire on his first round playing with Tiger Woods: "It was like a first date. I was pretty nervous, but soon I'll be farting in front of him."



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Xander Schauffele and caddie Austin Kaiser pose with the trophy and 18th hole flag following Schauffele's victory last weekend at the winners-only Tournament of Champions in Kapalua, Hawaii.

new rule that got plenty of chatter in the first tournament of the year was the knee-length drop.

"A bit absurd," Bryson DeChambeau said.

The question is how much attention it gets in a month.

The reason for the change from shoulder length was to get the ball in play. The original proposal was to drop it an inch above the ground, which was changed to eliminate any questions whether the ball was dropped or placed. Some rules experts felt it was important to retain a randomness of the drop.

The trouble at Kapalua was how it looked, with players at times looking like ballerinas trying to make sure the drop was level to their knees.

"I think the optics will become more comfortable over time," said Thomas Pagel, senior managing director of governance for the USGA. "Think about what it was like at first when we went to

shoulder height instead of dropping it over the back."

Uphill walk

For the first time since 1999 at Kapalua, players had to walk the steep hill to the fourth fairway at the Sentry Tournament of Champions. Previously, they were given rides in carts to the crest of the hill.

Why the change?

For starters, it has to do with a tour policy of only one person in a cart for insurance reasons. That's why the tour has four- and six-seat carts handy whenever there is a playoff. Mostly, however, it was because there were not enough carts to go around.

Most of the carts were used for the long shuttle between the ninth green and the 10th tee, not so much for players and caddies but the players' friends and relatives who wanted rides, along with the walking scorer, standard-bearer and other support staff.

Amazingly, no one pulled a hamstring.

Equally amazing is why the players were given rides up the hill in the first place. It was in 2000, and described by one PGA Tour executive as a "pace of play" issue (with a 30-man field), and the same year the PGA Tour was fighting a federal lawsuit by Casey Martin by saying that walking was an integral aspect of golf.

Justin stays put

Dustin Johnson and Brooks Koepka are among those playing in Abu Dhabi next week, just like Rickie Fowler, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods have in previous years. It's a strong field, with appearance money as the main attraction. That's the reward for great golf.

It's just not appealing yet to Justin Thomas.

Since cracking the top 10 in the world, Thomas has played only

one time overseas except for PGA Tour-sanctioned events. The exception was the French Open last summer at Le Golf National, site of the Ryder Cup in the fall.

"I didn't get a dime to go to France last year," Thomas said. "It worked in the schedule because I didn't want to take three weeks off. And it would have been a big deal to win a European Tour event, something I haven't done. I knew it was going to be a good field. World ranking points, there would be a fair amount. And it was an opportunity to go to France and check out the golf course."

Thomas said he has received plenty of offers to go elsewhere. He just hasn't found the money to fit with his goals.

"It's nice to get a good check," he said. "But I don't go to tournaments to get a check. The most important thing for me is to make sure I'm ready and fresh to win tournaments."

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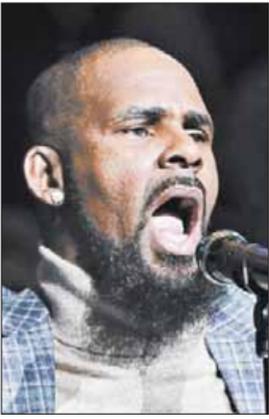
Rod Spittle and college golf coach Herb Page have been selected for induction into the Canadian Hall of Fame. The Web.com Tour added another event to its schedule with the Dormie Network Classic, to be held April 25-28 at Briggs Ranch Golf Club in San Antonio. The PGA Tour has expanded its agreement with Twitter to distribute 140 hours of live competition from "PGA Tour Live." The agreement allows the first 60 to 90 minutes from morning hours of all four rounds on PGA Tour Live.

Stat of the week

Seven of the top 10 players in the world ranking are in their 20s.

Final word

"It does reflect on my career how this goes." — Padraig Harrington, a three-time major champion on being chosen Ryder Cup captain for Europe.



FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

“Surviving R. Kelly” delved into the R&B singer’s multiple allegations of sexual abuse.

R. Kelly docuseries viewers top 2M

Women’s nonprofit reports 198 donations coincided with airing

By **TRACY SWARTZ**
 Chicago Tribune

About 2 million people tuned in to watch the premieres of each of the six episodes of the new docuseries that explores the abuse allegations against Chicago R&B superstar R. Kelly, according to Nielsen numbers released Tuesday.

“Surviving R. Kelly” — which initially aired in two-hour blocks on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights and re-aired later — was a ratings boon for the Lifetime network. Network representatives touted the show as Lifetime’s “strongest non-fiction series in seven years.”

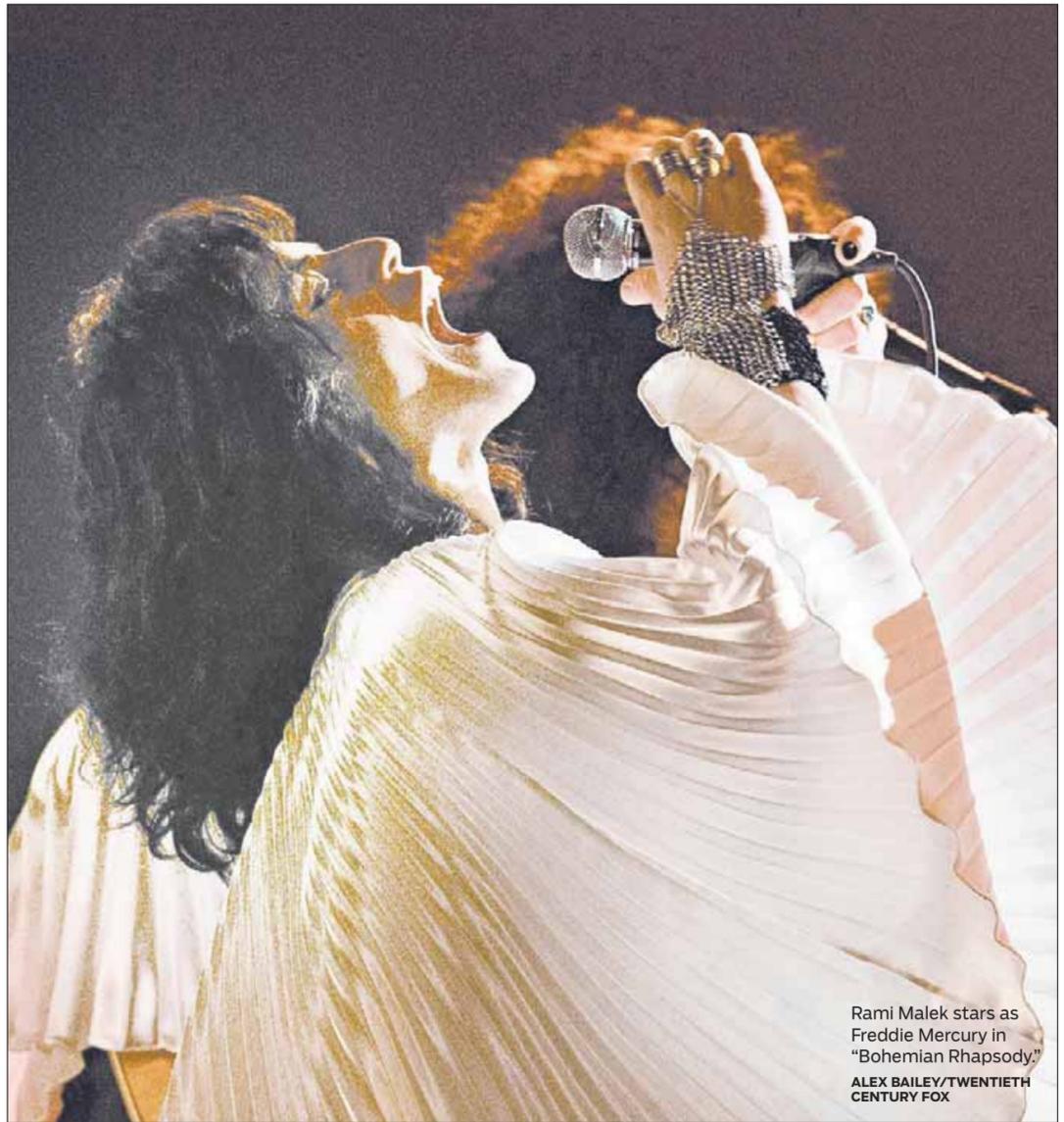
The series became more popular as it aired. There were about 1.8 million viewers for Thursday’s premiere and 2.3 million viewers for Saturday’s finale. The TV show delved into Kelly’s childhood on the South Side; his musical career, which includes hits “I Believe I Can Fly” and “Ignition (Remix)”; his acquittal on child pornography charges in a 2008 Cook County trial; and his troubled relationships with African-American women.

Multiple women claimed on the series that Kelly physically, sexually and mentally abused them. He is also accused of running a so-called “sex cult.”

Kelly, who was born Robert Kelly and turned 52 years old on Tuesday, has denied the abuse and cult allegations and did not participate in the series. There are reports that the series sparked renewed interest in Kelly’s music, but chatter on social media about the series also called attention to groups that seek to end violence against women.

Scheherazade Tillet, co-founder and executive director of A Long Walk Home, said

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Rami Malek stars as Freddie Mercury in “Bohemian Rhapsody.”
 ALEX BAILEY/TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Playing with facts

Should biopics like ‘Bohemian Rhapsody’ and ‘Green Book’ be accurate?

What kind of accuracy do you expect from movies based on real people or real events?

Maybe a better question might be: What kind of accuracy do you want? And are you willing to swallow a few falsehoods in the name of good entertainment?

Unlike documentaries, narrative features based on true-life stories tend to occupy this nebulous middle ground between fiction and nonfiction, where facts and timelines become collapsed or murky. Side characters or entire moments are created out of whole cloth for the sake of story expediency.



NINA METZ
 Chicago Close-up

For me, good biopics are shaped around facts rather than fudges. As a journalist, that’s something I think about all the time when I approach my own work: That it’s not only possible but vital to tell true stories in interesting and compelling ways, inconvenient details and all.

The rules aren’t the same when it comes to telling a cohesive story on screen, requiring different skills and nuanced decisions. Film is — and should be — an artistic expression. I want filmmakers to have the

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COMMENTARY

Will ‘Green Book’ hold up under increased scrutiny?

By **ANN HORNADAY**
 The Washington Post

LOS ANGELES — When “Green Book” won three Golden Globes on Sunday, a number of narratives began to take shape: The awards — for best comedy or musical, best screenplay and Mahershala Ali’s supporting performance — were among the biggest surprises of the night, upsetting such supposed front-runners as “Vice” or “Mary Poppins Returns.”

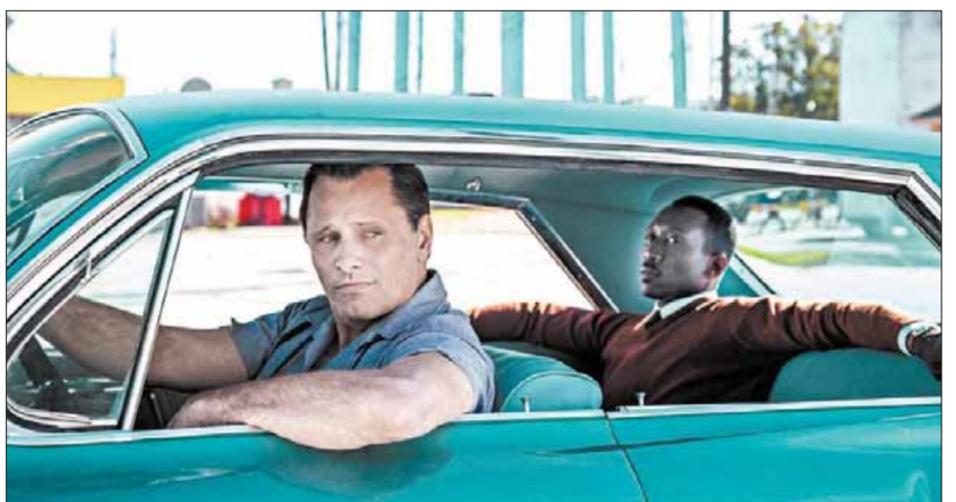
What’s more, “Green Book” gained the ceremony dogged by on-screen and off-screen controversies, including criticism from the family of Ali’s character, the pianist Don Shirley, as well as accusations that the film is “divisive,” perpetuating racist stereotypes of white

saviors and “magical Negroes.” The question, as Sunday night turned to Monday morning, when balloting opened for the Academy Awards, was whether those disputes with the film would scuttle its Oscar chances.

But, as with most narratives, the conventional wisdom bears some closer scrutiny.

For starters: Was “Green Book” really that much of a surprise? On paper, it’s a surefire Oscar contender. It took the audience award at the Toronto International Film Festival in September, which often augurs well for awards season down the road. It has earned similar honors at nearly every festival it’s played, including Middleburg, Virginia, where two sold-out crowds gave it wildly enthusiastic standing

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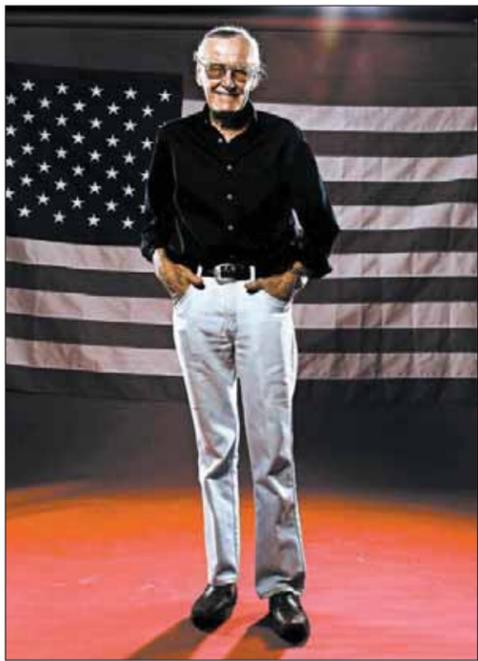


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Viggo Mortensen and Mahershala Ali in “Green Book,” a movie some say is perpetuating racist stereotypes.

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Comic book genius Stan Lee, who died in November, will be publicly memorialized at an event Jan. 30.

Star-studded Stan Lee memorial planned

Stan Lee's devoted fans will have a chance to mourn him alongside his friends, family and co-creators at a memorial in Hollywood on Jan. 30, organizers announced Wednesday.

Lee's company POW! Entertainment announced that it will honor the Marvel Comics mogul outside the TCL Chinese Theatre, where Lee's hand and foot prints are in concrete.

The memorial's organizers include filmmaker and Lee superfan Kevin Smith, who will moderate a discussion of Lee's life and work that is set to include actors Mark Hamill and Vincent D'Onofrio.

Smith, in a statement, called Lee "the literary titan of comic books" and "our modern-day Mark Twain." The evening will include speakers, musical performances, an art exhibit, and costumes and props from Lee's creations and Marvel-movie cameos.

"Stan was a unique and unforgettable human being," Gill Champion, Lee's founding partner at POW!, said in a statement. "He loved coming to work and creating new ideas and stories and in spite of his genius he was a relatable and kind man."

A private memorial is planned inside the venue immediately after.

Lee, whose co-creations include Spider-Man, the Incredible Hulk and Black Panther, died Nov. 12 at age 95. He was laid to rest the same week in a small, private funeral.

— Associated Press



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION

Cardi B leads iHeartRadio Awards: Cardi B has 13 reasons to celebrate: That's the number of nominations she has at the 2019 iHeartRadio Music Awards. iHeartMedia announced Wednesday that the rapper is competing for honors such as song of the year for "Girls Like You" with Maroon 5 and for female artist of the year. Drake follows Cardi B with eight nominations. The awards air live March 14.

Hart confirms he won't host Oscars: Kevin Hart says he won't be hosting the Academy Awards. "No," was his response when asked Wednesday on ABC's "Good Morning America." The motion picture academy has not named a replacement host since Hart backed away days after being named host last month when some anti-gay tweets he had made a decade ago resurfaced. He told "GMA" he's not giving any more explanations.

McGowan to plead no contest: A lawyer for Rose McGowan says the actress will plead no contest to a reduced drug charge in Virginia and avoid jail time. The commonwealth agreed to reduce the felony cocaine possession charge to misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance. Charging documents say cocaine was found in a wallet McGowan left on a plane last year. McGowan will enter the plea Jan. 15, the day her trial was to begin.

Jan. 10 birthdays: Singer Rod Stewart is 74. Singer Pat Benatar is 66. Singer Shawn Colvin is 63. Actor Evan Handler is 58. Actress Trini Alvarado is 52.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Young dad seeks more time with folks

Dear Amy: My sister and I both have young children (I have three kids, age 7 and younger, she has two under age 4).

My sister relies heavily on my mom for child care throughout various times of the year. As such, my parents spend 90 percent more time with her kids than with ours.

My wife and I would like our kids to get more quality time with their grandparents (and we could also use the extra support). How do we find more balance, while respecting the needs of my sister and without burning out my parents? Thank you for your insights.

— Brother/Dad

Dear Brother/Dad: It sounds as if you are less interested in balance and more interested in how to get your mother to do more for you, specifically.

Your mother provides child care for two young children. You would like to add on some child care for your three young children. That's a lot of child care. Hasn't your mother already raised children? Does she want to do this?

You don't note the circumstances behind these needs. Is your sister a single mom? Is your mother providing full-time care, or is she stepping in on Saturdays? And what are your true needs (versus those fueled by sibling rivalry)?

If you want your folks to spend more quality time with your kids, invite them to spend time with your family — not only to babysit, but to do things with all of you. "Quality time" is playing games together, going to plays, movies and concerts, and occasionally

sitting down with a cocktail or coffee, enjoying the kids while someone else takes primary care of them.

Dear Amy: Our father died last year. The youngest of four siblings became the estate's executor.

On the day of the interment, "Bart," our older brother, asked how soon he would receive his share of the estate. I was shocked. I explained the process, which takes time. Bart made the same inquiry over several months. We suggested he hire a lawyer to explain the process if he did not believe what we were doing/saying, which unfortunately delayed things further.

Although we all received a partial distribution, Bart told a sibling that we would no longer have access to our teenage niece and nephew until Bart had received all of his money.

We are almost at the end of the process. Unfortunately, during that time, Bart became terminally ill. Given the timing, his spouse may be the person receiving his inheritance.

The executor and estate lawyer have done everything possible to accommodate his expectations. Meanwhile we have had no contact with our niece or nephew. We have sent cards and gifts, and heard nothing back. Our hope is that someday, maybe even at "Bart's" funeral, we will reunite with them. If this happens, how should we respond if they ask why we've been distant?

— Perplexed Siblings

Dear Perplexed: I'm going to offer you some honest feedback about the situation you describe.

Your brother is terminally ill. Although he disclosed this more recently, it's possible that he suspected or knew about his illness when your father died. This would have created some very complicated emotions, confusion and perhaps time pressure.

It is also possible that his illness has distorted his emotions and reactions. It would be generous of you and your other siblings to offer your brother every possible benefit of the doubt. I think you would all feel better if you did.

Yes, keep in touch with his children. After your brother's death, let them know that, "For a bunch of complicated reasons, your dad didn't want us to see you, and we have missed you very much."

Dear Amy: Responding to "Unmerry Christmas," the grandparents who basically "crashed" the other in-laws' Christmas brunch, we have learned that we need to be very flexible over the holidays. If parents and grandparents can just let go of jealousies and enjoy the time they have, these times can hold such very special memories.

My husband and I decided as our children started to marry and start their own families that we would always try to be part of the solution instead of part of the problem.

— Happy Together

Dear Happy: ... And I assume your children are grateful. Well done.

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Coon returns to Steppenwolf as an ensemble member

By CHRIS JONES
Chicago Tribune

Actress Carrie Coon is joining the Steppenwolf Theatre ensemble, the storied Chicago theater announced Wednesday.

"I'm thrilled," said the 37-year-old star of "The Leftovers" on HBO, " Fargo" on FX and a 2012 Tony Award nominee for her work on Broadway in "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" "This is the aspiration of every young actor when they come to town."

Steppenwolf has no formal process for adding ensemble members and does so at irregular intervals. Coon, who is married to the actor, writer and Steppenwolf ensemble member Tracy Letts, told the Tribune she has been discussing future projects with Steppenwolf artistic director



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Actress Carrie Coon says she is ready to return to theater.

Anna D. Shapiro.

"I am ready to get back to the theater. 'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?' changed everything for me. So I very much want to give back to the company that made that happen," Coon said.

Coon and Letts live in Bucktown with their child. "People always think we've

moved out of Chicago," she said.

Coon can currently be seen in USA Network's "The Sinner" and the Hollywood thriller "Widows."

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Chance the Rapper and Renee Fleming's Creative Minds discussion at the Lyric Opera House has been canceled.

No 'Creative Minds' talk with Chance, Fleming

Rapper 'no longer able to attend' charity event

By JESSI ROTI
Chicago Tribune

A conversation between artists Chance the Rapper and Renee Fleming has been canceled by event producer Creative Minds Talks after the rapper said he was "unable to attend" the talk scheduled for Saturday night at the Lyric Opera House.

At 11 a.m. Wednesday, Creative Minds Talks released the following statement via email: "Creative Minds Talks has regretfully made the decision to cancel the Jan. 12 conversation between Chance the Rapper and Renee Fleming as Chance the Rapper is no longer able to attend. Creative Minds Talks is eager to continue bringing unique and educational conversations to the Chicagoland area and is grateful for the community's continued support. Refunds will be made automatically to patron credit cards."

Neither Fleming nor Chance, born Chancelor Bennett, have publicly

commented on the cancellation.

The news comes days after the rapper was criticized for comments he made that were featured in Lifetime's six-part documentary series "Surviving R. Kelly." Survivor testimonies explored the numerous accusations of sexual abuse that have long plagued Kelly, an R&B singer and Chicago native. In the final two installments of producer Dream Hampton's Jan. 3-5 series, a portion of an interview Chance did with culture critic and "Surviving" contributor Jamilah Lemieux for lifestyle platform Cassius was included — in which he admits working on 2015's "Somewhere in Paradise" with Kelly "was a mistake."

"We're programmed to really be hypersensitive to black male oppression," he adds in the documentary's clip. "But black women are, you know, exponentially higher oppressed and violated group of people just in comparison to the whole world. Maybe I didn't care because I didn't value the accusers' stories because they were black women."

The quote was picked

up by national media outlets but had already reverberated through Chicago's own music and creative communities. Within hours, a wave of allegations implicating many artists and creatives in the rapper's circle, including Towkio, Open Mic co-host Malcolm London and those associated with noted organization Young Chicago Authors, began circulating within Chicago's Twitter community — inspiring the hashtag #SurvivingLoudly — and many fans called for Chance to respond.

The Creative Minds' talk — aptly titled "The Art of Storytelling" — was to highlight the pair's activism and philanthropic work, as well as their musical contributions. When first announced in December, the Tribune also reported that the "January talk will see \$50,000 given to Chance's SocialWorks, a foundation aimed at developing local youth."

The Tribune has reached out to representatives for Chance the Rapper and Renee Fleming for comment.

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space to be creative and stray from the record to underscore certain ideas or themes.

I just don't want to feel lied to by a movie.

Golden Globe winners "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "Green Book" have both been criticized for this and I think with good reason.

I won't list all the discrepancies here; you can find numerous stories online that go into detail. But let's talk about key elements from each film that depart from reality. In the case of "Bohemian Rhapsody," which is about the band Queen and its charismatic frontman Freddie Mercury (Rami Malek), one aspect is the timing of Mercury's HIV diagnosis.

Writing about movies for a living means thinking about what kinds of stories they tell, so I rang up some of my colleagues to get their take.

Here's Kevin Fallon, the senior entertainment reporter for The Daily Beast:

"I understand when you're distilling a person's life into a two-hour movie, there's going to be the need to play with things a little bit in order to have a narrative chug along," he said. "But what this movie does is falsify things in a way to manipulate an audience into a reaction and I find that gross."

"Bohemian Rhapsody" moves up Mercury's diagnosis by two years to 1985, which means the moment lands with an added intensity "to make it seem like it was the impetus for that performance of his career at Live Aid," is how Fallon put it. "They changed the facts for purely dramatic reasons — to manipulate an emotional reaction from the audience — but that just wasn't what happened. I think that it's a very crass thing to do to Freddie Mercury's legacy and the AIDS movement, honestly."

That matters. Even if you think the movie is a good time and you love Malek's performance.

"Green Book" may feature lesser-known subjects at its center, but it is also based on a true story. It follows the odd pairing of the elegant black pianist



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Viggo Mortensen, left, and Mahershala Ali in a scene from "Green Book."

Dr. Don Shirley (Mahershala Ali) and the white meathard of a driver Tony Lip (Viggo Mortensen) that he hires as both chauffeur and bodyguard for a concert tour across the South in the early 1960s. Over the course of their two months on the road together, the brilliant but uptight Don Shirley learns to loosen up a little and connect with his blackness, while the uncouth Tony Lip learns not to be such a racist. And a lifelong friendship ensues.

The film was co-written by Peter Farrelly (who also directs), Brian Hayes Currie and Tony Lip's son Nick Vallelonga, and their source material was drawn from the letters Tony wrote home during the tour, as well as old tapes of Vallelonga talking with his father about the old days.

Though the film has been marketed as the true and definitive version of how these two men processed issues of race and racism in America, it's filtered only through the prism of the Vallelonga family memories. (All three of the screenwriters are white.)

And many of us in the media have helped to solidify the movie's marketing. Here's Time magazine, for example: "According to Vallelonga, everything depicted in the film 'Green Book' happened in real life."

The members of Shirley's family feel otherwise and in a story reported by Shadow and Act

have called the movie's portrayal a "symphony of lies." (They were not consulted with for the film.)

Here's one criticism that stands out: Whatever impression Tony Lip or his son may have had about the men's dynamic, Don Shirley himself did not consider his driver a close friend.

That doesn't mean Shirley wasn't perhaps friendly with his employee. But being friendly is altogether different from a deep and abiding personal friendship and it undercuts the story's message. This is a movie with a moral to its story — and that moral is apparently false (not to mention reductive).

The critic Candice Frederick reviewed the movie for SlashFilm and this is what she had to say about biopics and accuracy: "It's definitely a case-by-case basis. And 'Green Book' is a very specific case. When you're taking artistic license — which I don't condemn — you have to make sure that you're not simultaneously disparaging the character. And I think that's what's happening with 'Green Book.'"

"The film's portrayal of Don Shirley isn't a well-rounded depiction of a person, period. He's so distant from his humanity, his so distant from his blackness, he's so distant from people that he becomes this alien character who is reflected through the eyes of a white person. Even without knowing anything about Don

Shirley's life, I was like, this can't be — it didn't seem plausible that this was all there was to him. So that's when I'm like, where was the research? Who did you talk to?"

"And if you read interviews with Peter Farrelly or Nick Vallelonga, they say the movie is about these two men who are very different and they overcome their differences to become lifelong friends. If that's what they're saying and that's not true, then what are we doing?"

The thing about biopics is that sometimes they have a way of becoming the definitive version of a story that becomes entrenched in our collective headspace — and any other films that come in their wake have the job of persuading us otherwise.

"Audiences don't necessarily go home and research a person after they see a movie," said Frederick. "I think that's just the world we live in. People take a depiction — particularly when it's a movie — and think: OK, I got all the information I need."

I agree with that. And also with this observation from Fallon:

"I think people sort of go in blindly assuming that these movies are completely accurate, which might be a naive thing to do, but I think that's just what happens. And that doesn't necessarily mean that filmmakers have to stick exactly to every single fact. But I do think it does give a burden of responsi-

bility to stay as close as possible to the spirit of the truth in a way that doesn't alter the way a person lived or their legacy or their values and ideals in order to manufacture some creative moment. That's where I think 'Bohemian Rhapsody' and 'Green Book' made grave missteps that are contributing to this backlash.

"One interesting thing about both of these movies," he added, "is the liberties that were taken in order to make the movies more watered-down and more broadly mass-appealing. So now we're seeing a huge dissonance between the people who are upset about the facts being inaccurate and arguing that these movies suffer because of that, and audiences who simply had a great time watching these movies and don't understand why anyone is in a huff about it: 'I enjoyed the movie, I don't care about these details. Stop being a hater, everyone had a good time, why are you trying to ruin things?'"

Another film getting notice this awards season is "The Favourite," set in 18th century Britain and centering on three women: Queen Anne (Olivia Colman), Sarah Churchill, who is one of her advisers (Rachel Weisz) and Sarah's cousin Abigail (Emma Stone), the upstart who maneuvers to become the queen's favorite.

You can find any number of articles analyzing how closely the story does or doesn't track with actual history, but the conversation around the film feels different. Whatever its inaccuracies, the movie hasn't specifically bothered people the way "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "Green Book" have.

Here's one possible reason: "The Favourite" is a movie that's telling a larger story than the bullet-point biography of each of those three characters," said Frederick. "It has less to do with depicting these people's biographies and more to do with an overarching theme, which is: These women are vying for the attention of each other in these really theatrical and dramatic ways, rather than vying for the attention of men."

Much as I may want filmmakers to stick with the facts, I can find holes in

my own argument. 1965's "The Sound of Music" contains elements large and small that don't sync up with the real von Trapp family story, including fundamental personality changes to the two leads. And yet the movie works. I wasn't sure to how reconcile this until Fallon pointed out something:

"The Sound of Music" is a musical fantasy, above all else, let alone a truthful depiction of people and events," he said. "It doesn't purport to be a film of record."

That's a distinction worth pondering. Because "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "Green Book" do purport to be films of record "to the point where 'Bohemian Rhapsody' meticulously re-creates that Live Aid sequence, shot-for-shot," Fallon said, "which is telegraphing to audiences that it is realistic, that it is based on fact — that what you're watching actually happened.

"And 'Green Book' ends with one of those title cards bringing you up to speed on each of the characters, which also telegraphs to an audience that the events that you just watched are part of the historical record because, look: We're providing more facts about them."

These are subtle cues that tell an audience if a movie is a larger-than-life creative gambit or something closer to realism. But it also matters how the filmmakers themselves talk about their work.

"When you looked at the people on stage accepting the award for 'Green Book' at the Golden Globes," said Fallon, "with the exception of Octavia Spencer as producer, it was an entirely white male creative team explaining to us how their movie is going to fix racism. And I think just the optics behind that are also part of the reason why the liberties they took in the film are so frustrating.

"There's no perfect answer to the question of accuracy," he added. "I think it's a case-by-case basis. But in the end there generally is some responsibility to the truth — at least the spirit of it."

Here's to more accuracy when it counts.

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Surviving

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her Chicago-based organization saw an uptick in donations, social media followers and programming opportunities thanks to the series and tweets by singer John Legend and Eve Ewing, a Chicago writer and sociologist of education.

A Long Walk Home, which was founded in 2003, uses art to educate and inspire young people to end violence against girls and women. Tillet said she and her sister, co-founder Salamishah Tillet, helped get Kelly's accusers counseling services on the "Surviving R. Kelly" set.

The Tilletts said 198 people gave donations that totaled nearly \$10,300 from Jan. 3-8 — which coincided with the premiere of the series and subsequent re-airings. Nearly all of the 198 donors were new contributors to A Long Walk Home, Scheherazade Tillet said.

There were 364 financial donors in 2018 — the organization's best year yet because of the #MeToo movement. The group, which hosts events on college campuses about sexual assault, is also now branching out into different spaces. It's slated to participate in a conversation about "Surviving R. Kelly" at a South Side nail salon Friday.

"For us, being a grassroots organization, it's nice to see that (the series) is actually reaching us," Scheherazade Tillet said. "You actually see a shift from the mainstream #MeToo movement to reaching our young (black) girls in Chicago, and I think this (series) is allowing these conversations and dialogue to happen."

"Surviving R. Kelly" is not the only TV project



DANIEL BOCZARSKI/GETTY

R. Kelly has denied abuse allegations and did not participate in the series.

about Kelly on tap. A fictionalized Lifetime network movie is in development. Chicago journalist Jim DeRogatis, whose decades of reporting on Kelly served as the basis for "Surviving R. Kelly," is working on a separate film project with BuzzFeed and documentary director Lyric Cabral. DeRogatis did not participate in "Surviving R. Kelly."

The series has been much discussed in the media, including on Monday's episode of "The Daily Show with Trevor Noah." Correspondent Roy Wood Jr. pointed out that TV news reports about the series have featured snippets of Kelly's hits, which may be why his music is gaining a new following despite the allegations against him.

Wood devised the "R. Kelly Challenge," which is inspired by the popular Netflix movie "Bird Box." Characters in the movie wear blindfolds so they can avoid coming face to face with an ominous unseen entity. Wood suggests people put blindfolds over their ears so they can "focus on what (Kelly) did and not get seduced by his music."

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Scrutiny

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ovations.

The movie, a warm, upbeat picaresque inspired by the real-life story of Tony Vallelonga (Viggo Mortensen) and the year he spent driving Shirley through the Deep South in the early 1960s, has performed modestly well in the 1,200 theaters it's opened in since Thanksgiving. (Now playing in 600 or so theaters, the film will arrive in 500 more this weekend, and will continue to expand through Oscar season.) Even more revealing — and giving the lie to describing it as "divisive" — the film has earned an A-plus CinemaScore, meaning that nearly everyone who sees it, loves it. It was also nominated this week by the Directors Guild of America for best picture.

That goes for industry insiders here in Hollywood. At a viewing party sponsored by a rival studio on Sunday night, a script coordinator cheered when the film won best comedy. She loved it, she said. "And my mom loved it. And if my mom loves a movie, it's a great movie."

It's precisely that your-mom-will-love-it quality that has made "Green Book" so beloved among its fans: It's that rare movie you can take your kids, parents and grandparents to and have an entertaining, genuinely meaningful experience. But that very approachability has also made the film a target for detractors who take issue with its most nostalgic — qualities.

Unlike edgier films that addressed racism this year ("BlacKkKlansman,"



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION

Viggo Mortensen, from left, Peter Farrelly, Linda Cardellini and Mahershala Ali, backstage at the Golden Globes.

"Sorry to Bother You"), "Green Book" is a mainstream PG-13 family film and tells a far more reassuring story of overcoming personal prejudice to find common understanding, akin to similarly-themed movies from decades ago. But "Green Book," which was co-written by Vallelonga's son, Nick, and directed by Peter Farrelly, differs from those predecessors in crucial ways: It isn't a white savior movie as much as a gentle, utterly conventional buddy comedy and road movie, with both men changing in the end thanks to their improbable friendship.

The film is simple and straightforward, but doesn't ignore the story's contradictory power dynamics. And, with audiences at least, it's far from divisive: Rather than appealing only to the self-protective sensibilities of white audiences, as some critics have suggested, "Green Book" is proving popular across populations. (Although far from a scientific sample, in front of Middleburg's audience, which was roughly 30 percent African-American, it played like gangbusters.)

The question, when it comes to "Green Book," might be less racial than generational: Can a film made in the tradition of wholesome, nonconfrontational life lessons and happy endings be remotely acceptable anymore? Does it possess values worth cheering despite its self-imposed limitations? Or is the entire form inherently regressive and ill-suited to the present era, especially when it comes to stories about race told from the point of view of a white protagonist?

Those questions will be particularly germane in a year during which the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has welcomed more than 1,000 young new members who will be bringing different standards, lenses and expectations to the films they'll begin to nominate this week. (In the meantime, "Green Book" has also been nominated for guild awards for writing, editing and direction.)

At this writing, few Academy voters seem to be aware of the Shirley family's disapproval of

"Green Book" (Shirley's brother has called the film "a symphony of lies," and has taken issue with the suggestion that Shirley was estranged from him and the rest of their relatives). The political commentary surrounding the film so far seems limited to intra-critic debates and Twitter.

Most likely, that will soon change: In the world of cutthroat, astronomically expensive Oscar campaigning, what began as a \$20 million little-movie-that-could now has a target on its back, as opposing teams look for any ammunition they can use against it. "Green Book" has already garnered powerful advocates, including Quincy Jones, Harry Belafonte, Henry Louis Gates and filmmaker John Singleton. And Octavia Spencer, one of the film's executive producers, will be more visible on the hustings. After the Globes ceremony on Sunday night, she addressed the Shirley family's objections to "Green Book" first by stating she didn't want to "cause them any more distress."

In response to a question from the website Shadow & Act, she continued: "I've been a part of four films from this era, and it was the first time I saw a person of color with agency ... (F)or me, it was about the idea that there were people like Don Shirley in the '60s, and we never saw that on film. That's what I took from it, and that's what I still take from it. I thank Pete and Nick and Mahershala and Viggo and all of the filmmakers for putting their hearts into it. So that's what I'd say to the Shirley family. He meant a lot to a lot of people, and I'm glad that we got to share that story."

BOOK REVIEW

Victorian-era scandal still resonates

#MeToo has roots in 1893 trial

BY KAREN ABBOTT
The Washington Post

Before Roy Moore, before Harvey Weinstein and before Brett Kavanaugh, there was William Campbell Preston Breckinridge. In 1893, the 56-year-old scion of a politically powerful Southern family found himself embroiled in a sexual scandal that enthralled the entire country and sparked furious debate. Like his 21st-century counterparts, Breckinridge had much at stake: his marriage, the respect of his children, his career as a Democratic congressman serving Kentucky's 7th District and, not least, his reputation as an upstanding Christian — one who warned young women against “useless hand-shaking, promiscuous kissing, needless touches and all exposures.” Breckinridge himself did not adhere to such rigorous standards and never expected his paramour to expose their affair: Why would a woman risk divulging the very behavior that would — rightfully, in his view — bring her ruin and shame? Surely the public wasn't prepared to liberate women from the strict moral code it seldom demanded of men?

These are the questions at the heart of Patricia Miller's tantalizing and beautifully researched book, “Bringing Down the Colonel” (“the Colonel” being Breckinridge's nickname, a reference to his service in the Confederate army during the Civil War). Breckinridge's victim — or

accuser, depending on one's view — was Madeline Pollard, a woman with none of Breckinridge's influence but double his cunning. Pollard, nearly 30 years younger than the colonel, was born in Frankfort, Ky., the daughter of a saddler whose shop also offered an array of newspapers and highbrow magazines like Harper's. She read avidly, mastering Latin and memorizing Shakespeare, and dreamed of becoming a writer. When her father died and left the family on the brink of starvation, Pollard went to live with an aunt in Lexington, where she met a family friend named James Rhodes. He offered her a deal: If he paid for Pollard to attend Wesleyan Female College in Cincinnati, she had to agree to marry him after graduation.

Desperate for an education and eager to amass a cultured circle of friends, Pollard suppressed her loathing for Rhodes and accepted the deal. Months into her Faustian bargain, she happened to meet Breckinridge on a train. Since he had been her father's political idol, she recognized him immediately, and they shared a brief conversation. Thus began a relationship that would span almost a decade and result in two children (both sent to infant asylums, where they died). Eventually, Breckinridge promised, they would marry.

But unbeknownst to Pollard, Breckinridge was also courting Louise Scott Wing, a 48-year-old doy-

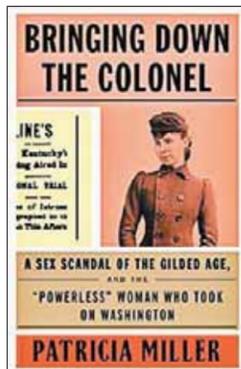


William Breckinridge was sued after he failed to marry Madeline Pollard after a nearly decadelong relationship.



LIVERIGHT PHOTOS

Pollard challenged the Victorian double standard that judged women's sexuality while celebrating men's.



'Bringing Down the Colonel'

By Patricia Miller, Crichton, 368 pages, \$28

enne of Washington society. When he married Wing, Pollard retaliated with a “breach of promise” lawsuit, which enabled Victorian-era women to seek legal redress after a broken engagement. Although Pollard's suit cited \$50,000 in damages, she wasn't interested in money (Breckinridge was fa-

mously broke). Her motivation was to challenge the Victorian double standard that judged women's sexuality while celebrating men's. Such a case had never been tried before, and she naturally encountered public opposition. “Why on earth do you want to ruin that poor old man in his old age?” a nun scolded Pollard, to which she countered, “I asked her why should that poor old man have wanted to ruin me in my youth?”

Miller spends a significant amount of time providing historical and societal context, relaying fascinating anecdotes that illuminate the evolution of the sexual double standard and the difficulty of Pollard's endeavor. Beginning with the surprisingly egalitarian mores of colonial times (both mother and father faced nine lashes if a child was born too soon after marriage), Miller delves into the mid-18th-century practice of “bundling,” whereby couples were encouraged to sleep together and pregnancy

signified a de facto marriage, and traces the transition to the harsher conventions of the Industrial Age.

By the early 1800s, men delayed marriage to pursue education and employment, and an out-of-wedlock child could thwart their upward mobility. Women who had premarital sex now risked social ostracization and ruin, a hazard that persisted into the Victorian era, when their chastity became, in the words of the Middlesex Washingtonian, a “priceless jewel.” By admitting that she had engaged in premarital sex, Pollard was setting herself up for the Gilded Age equivalent of slut-shaming; Breckinridge reasoned that he wouldn't need to prepare a proper defense, since Pollard's wicked history should be enough to exonerate him.

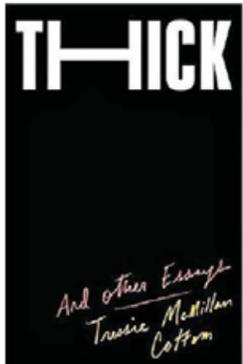
The trial itself devolved, as these things do, into a sprawling tangle of he-said-she-said allegations. Miller deftly sorts through them, but one wishes she had re-created the more cinematic events as they hap-

pened, giving the narrative a Rashomon-like quality that highlighted the drama while examining the often subjective nature of truth. The trial does yield some surprises, not least of which is the public's near-universal condemnation of Breckinridge's behavior and support for Pollard (fast-forward 125 years, and she might be in hiding after a barrage of death threats).

Anyone emboldened by the #MeToo movement to come forward owes a significant debt to Pollard. Soon after the trial, Miller reports, a letter signed “Many Women” was published on the front page of the Lexington Morning Transcript, urging Democratic Party leaders to withdraw their support of Breckinridge. “Let him sink into the oblivion” of his guilt, they demanded. “Let his voice be silent.”

Karen Abbott is the author, most recently, of “Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy.” Her next book, “The Ghosts of Eden Park,” will be published in October.

10 books for January



'The Martha Manual: How to Do (Almost) Everything' by Martha Stewart (out now)

Billed as instructions for everything from “pruning roses to patching drywall,” this might be the tome to give young householders — or anyone looking to learn a new skill.

'Thick: And Other Essays' by Tressie McMillan Cottom (out now)

The professor and author of “Lower Ed” could school us all on the intersections of race, gender and capitalism. Consider her collection this year's “Bad Feminist” and buy a copy for all your friends.

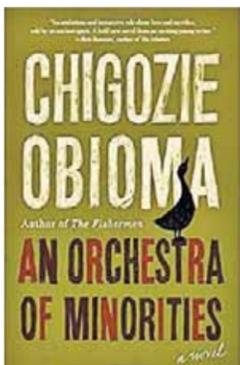
'Scrublands' by Chris Hammer (out now)

My pick for debut thriller of the month: Hammer, a journalist, uses Australia's bleak rural territory in the story of a priest's rampage set against the backdrop of a town where drought, economic decline and drugs combine in a toxic stew.

'The Truths We Hold: An American Journey' by Kamala Harris (out now)

The political memoir is alive and well with this installment from Sen. Harris, D-Calif., in which she revisits her upbringing as the daughter of a Jamaican economist and a South Asian cancer researcher who were both active in the civil rights movement.

'The Water Cure' by



Sophie Mackintosh (out now)

Longlisted for the Man Booker Prize, Mackintosh's dystopian tale hardly needs my recommendation, but I'll give it in the hopes that readers find this novel about a family living in a ramshackle dwelling where four daughters are raised to control emotions and shun men. Blend “The Virgin Suicides” with “My Family and Other Animals” and “The Decameron” and you'll have an idea of its strange atmosphere.

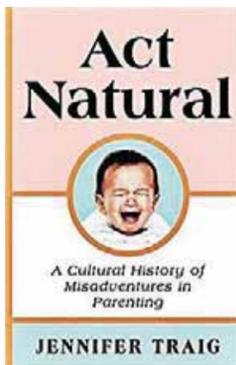
'An Orchestra of Minorities' by Chigozie Obioma (out now)

Last year saw a new translation of Homer's “The Odyssey” by Emily Wilson and Madeline Miller's reimagining, “Circe.” This year? A love story between a Nigerian chicken farmer and a rich young woman. With magical realism and a big dose of sad reality, this is your big novel of the winter.

'Act Natural: A Cultural History of Misadventures in Parenting' by Jennifer Traig (out now)

Lay your baby on her back. No, prop her on her side. Wait, let her sleep on her stomach! Traig has a doctorate in English and several books to her name, but when she became a parent she was as confused as the rest of us. Her analysis of parenting advice will make you laugh so hard you'll forget you have kids.

'Inheritance: A Memoir

BY BETHANNE PATRICK
The Washington Post

of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love” by Dani Shapiro (Jan. 15)

Shapiro has already written a number of memoirs, but she didn't know she would be writing “Inheritance” until DNA analysis revealed her father was not really her father. For a writer focused so intently on identity, this news was a bombshell, leading Shapiro on a hunt to discover the truth.

'Shameless: A Sexual Reformation' by Nadia Bolz-Weber (Jan. 29)

Stand-up comic, recovering alcoholic and minister Bolz-Weber wants you to heal from your sexual pain. While the former pastor has penned this book with Christians in mind, anyone whose ideas about sex have been informed by their upbringing can benefit.

'Dreyer's English: An Utterly Correct Guide to Clarity and Style' by Benjamin Dreyer (Jan. 29)

Dreyer is a VP and copy chief at Random House, not to mention the unofficial language guru on Twitter, where he offers bon mots such as: “Only godless savages eschew the series comma.” Talk to the AP style hand, Mr. Dreyer.

Bethanne Patrick is the editor, most recently, of “The Books That Changed My Life: Reflections by 100 Authors, Actors, Musicians and Other Remarkable People.”

BOOK REVIEW

Charyn dreams up raucous, entertaining Teddy Roosevelt

BY RON CHARLES
The Washington Post

Who wouldn't want to grow old like Jerome Charyn? Now in his 80s, the prolific writer seems ever more daring. With “The Secret Life of Emily Dickinson” (2010), he snuck into the bedroom of the Belle of Amherst and felt the palpitations of her erotic heart. Four years later, he reanimated Lincoln's sainted bones in a novel called “I Am Abraham.” And now, with “The Perilous Adventures of the Cowboy King,” he scales the mountainous personality of Theodore Roosevelt, who died 100 years ago this month.

Few novelists would tread on such hallowed ground. After all, that chamber of our national pantheon is guarded by a number of fine biographies, including Edmund Morris' Pulitzer Prize-winning trilogy. What's even more daunting, any would-be novelist must compete with the version that Roosevelt left of himself in more than 40 of his own books.

Fortunately, Charyn has found a path all his own — neither a substitute for biography nor a violation of it. The Roosevelt who narrates “The Perilous Adventures of the Cowboy King” is a whirlwind of activity, a man so caught up in the escapades of his intrepid life that he can't always be bothered with details.

For fans of Roosevelt, this is tremendous fun. But readers unfamiliar with his life and the political history of the late 19th century should be forewarned: There will be no coddling on this breakneck tour.

The story opens in panicked gasps. Little asthmatic Teddy spies a werewolf at the foot of his bed.



'The Perilous Adventures of the Cowboy King'

By Jerome Charyn, Liveright, 283 pages, \$26.95

The boy's life might have been snuffed out early if not for the unorthodox response of his heroic father, who prescribed cigars to his 5-year-old son and took him on wild carriage rides through the most dangerous slums of New York. It was from this man that Teddy acquired his deep sympathy for “the ragged, the lonely, and the lame” that would later guide his military and political crusades. But Charyn never lets us forget that this concern for the less fortunate rested upon a secure family fortune.

The Roosevelts did not dirty themselves in New York's political machine, either, but Teddy is determined to be the exception. At 23, he strolls into the district Republican Club over a saloon near Fifth Avenue and announces his intention to become an assemblyman. Before long, he's getting in fistfights with bartenders who want their liquor licenses lowered. “I rose like a rocket,” Teddy says, in a voice per-

fectly calibrated between egotism and amusement. He goes after child labor, police corruption and the whole gamut of criminality infecting New York.

Charyn restricts himself to the decades before an assassin killed President William McKinley and thrust Vice President Roosevelt into the White House. We follow this irrepressible young man out to the Badlands of the Dakota Territory with his silver stirrups and a Bowie knife from Tiffany's.

One of the melancholy pleasures of this novel is the contrast it continually presents to our current president, another bigger-than-life man of wealth and privilege but otherwise a grim opposite of the brave warrior, the curious scholar, the principled legislator. That contrast is never more striking than in the novel's central adventure: Roosevelt's audacious decision to help lead a band of volunteers to Cuba during the Spanish-American War.

Charyn provides little historical context, but he drums up the personal drama of war in all its absurdity and horror. You'll be gripped by the suspense of the chaotic Battle of San Juan Hill. The famous Cowboy Colonel, dressed in his Brooks Brothers tunic with 12 extra pairs of glasses, charges through the smoke on his horse, Little Texas.

I'm not supposed to judge a book by its cover, but I have to offer some praise for this unusually witty dust jacket. Designed to look like a turn-of-the-century dime novel, the cover shows Roosevelt standing tall in the Badlands with his pet cougar, Josephine, straining her leash. It strikes just the right tone, as does this delightful novel.

WATCH THIS: THURSDAY



Melissa Fumero

"Brooklyn Nine-Nine" (8 p.m., NBC): Noice! Pulled back from the cancellation brink on Fox, the critically praised but ratings-challenged police comedy finds a new home on NBC as its sixth season opens with "Honeymoon," involving Jake and Amy (Andy Samberg, Melissa Fumero), who tied the knot in the Season 5 finale. Typically, however, it "won't be the honeymoon they think it's going to be," Fumero has hinted to reporters.

"The First 48 Presents: Homicide Squad Atlanta" (8 p.m., 12:03 a.m., AE): This new spinoff series follows homicide detectives from the Atlanta Police Department as they strive to untangle mysteries behind some of the city's most gruesome crimes. In the series premiere, "Fallen Angel," rookie detective Andre Lowe finds almost no evidence to work with in his investigation into the murder of a beautiful teenager, who was found naked and shot to death in an Atlanta park.

"The Secret Life of the Zoo" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., 4 a.m., ANIM): In the new episode "Territorial Chimps," the arrival of a new female throws the Chester Zoo's 18 chimpanzees into upheaval, but senior keeper Niall is gambling that Boris, the elder statesman of this animal community, will protect the newcomer. Elsewhere, Kinky Tail, a cheetah mother, is moved to the zoo's medical center after she begins vomiting after every meal.

"Mom" (8:01 p.m., CBS): The ladies get together for a road trip, but their journey threatens to go up in smoke because of Christy's (Anna Faris) cigarette habit in a new episode called "Hacky Sack and a Beautiful Experience." Meanwhile, Bonnie (Allison Janney) offers some business advice to Adam (William Fichtner) that is both unsolicited and somewhat unwelcome.

"Fam" (8:30 p.m., CBS): After years of playing tragic story lines as multiple characters on "The Vampire Diaries," Nina Dobrev switches gears to comedy for her role as Clem, who grew up in a dysfunctional household but now is happy with a college professor fiancé (Tone Bell) and his approving parents (Sheryl Lee Ralph, Brian Stokes Mitchell).

"Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars" (9 p.m., 12:01 a.m., WE): Season 14 of this relationship series revolves around the reality TV world's subset of elite hip hop stars, whose flashy lifestyles can only conceal romantic problems for so long. Soulja Boy and Nia Riley may have reached an impasse between his desire to get married and her need to escape from his controlling impulses. Others in the mix include rapper Waka Flocka and wife Tammy Rivera, and Lil' Mo and hubby Karl Dargan. Counselors Ish Major and Venus Nicolino are here to listen.

TALK SHOWS

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Bryan Cranston; actress Lana Condor; Love Jones performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Sen. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.); actor Bradley Whitford; Gary Clark Jr. performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actress Claire Foy; Disturbed performs.*

* Subject to change

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'Clueless' cast comes together for C2E2

Donald Faison says 1995 film launched his acting career

BY DARCEL ROCKETT
Chicago Tribune

The 2019 Comic Convention and Entertainment Expo (C2E2) at McCormick Place marks the 10th anniversary of the fandom event and with it comes the stars that made the term "Clueless" cool.

Paul Rudd and Breckin Meyer, also known as their characters Josh Lucas-Travis Birkenstock in the 1995 film "Clueless," will join Alicia Silverstone (Cher Horowitz) and Donald Faison (Murray Duvall) for a reunion panel March 23 at McCormick Place on the Main Stage. Michael Armstrong, vice president of C2E2's organizing body ReedPop, considers the gathering to be a highlight of this year's festivities.

"We're thrilled to have Paul Rudd attending for his first comic convention ever — where he's doing photos and autographs, so that's a huge win for C2E2 and for the city," Armstrong said. "We've got amazing talent coming from the Harry Potter universe, the Doctor Who universe, and a whole bunch of stuff in between." As for why a reunion of castmates now? Armstrong said it was more of a "right time, right place" sort of thing.

"The talent around it and the time from the release, just put it in a sweet spot right now for a property that was due for a reunion and I think the timing and available talent just really seemed to work out well for C2E2 this year," he said.

With that in mind, we posed Faison some questions to get fans in the mood. The following is an edited transcript.



REEDPOP (LEFT)/GETTY (RIGHT)

"Clueless" actors Donald Faison, left, and Breckin Meyer, right, will be on a "Clueless" panel with co-stars Alicia Silverstone and Paul Rudd at C2E2 on March 23 at McCormick Place.

On the secret sauce of "Clueless":

DF: Clueless was ahead of its time — I feel like Amy saw the future.

On his excitement about a Hollywood remake, possible cameos:

DF: To be honest, I think it's perfect as is. But in Hollywood, they remake things all the time.

On where he would be as an actor if "Clueless" was never made:

DF: I don't know where I would be as an actor. Thank God there was a "Clueless" so I don't have to ever wonder.

On which project has a bigger cult following: "Clueless" or "Scrubs":

DF: I would say they both are equally popular. I feel that I am lucky to be in both!

On if he gets recognized more for his role on "Clueless" or his role on "Scrubs":

DF: It's a toss-up. But it's always nice to be recognized for something I did so long ago ... and that I'm proud of.

On the possibility of Terrence Howard or Dave Chappell playing the part of Murray:

DF: I don't know who

read for it ... I'm a huge fan of both of those guys. And if one of them had gotten the part, then yeah, the movie would have been different and I would have never made it to Hollywood!

On the role of Murray being life-altering:

DF: Absolutely! I had no game with the ladies until Murray.

On the one question he wishes I asked:

DF: I wish you asked about my haircut situation in the movie ... If you could find old pictures, you would see I looked like a young Sherman Hemsley.

On this C2E2 reunion being the first time the cast has gotten together:

DF: This isn't the first time we have all gotten together. We all live in California and work in the same industry so we run into each other all the time. I wish we were traveling together all summer, but this is just for the people that show up to C2E2.

C2E2 is scheduled for McCormick Place on March 22-24. Three-day and single-day badges are on sale.

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THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 10

		MOVIES							
		PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS	2	Big Bang Theory (N)	Young Sheldon (N)	(8:01) Mom (N) ©	Fam: "Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N) ©	S.W.A.T.: "Los Huesos." (N) ©		News (N) ▶
	NBC	5	The Titan Games (N) ©		Brooklyn Nine (Season Premiere) (N)	The Good Place (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: "Plastic." (N)		NBC 5 News (N) ▶
	ABC	7	Modern Family	(7:31) The Goldbergs		Truth and Lies: Monica (N) ©			News at 10pm (N) ▶
	WGN	9	blackish: "Public Fool."	blackish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N)		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna	9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3's Comp.
	This TV	9.3	Saved! (PG-13,'04) **	Jena Malone, Mandy Moore. ©			Cadillac Man (R,'90) ** ©		
	PBS	11	Chicago Tonight (N)		The Queen Mother ©		The Queen Mother ©		Interview Show (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 ©		Last Call	Last Call	XXX (PG-13,'02) **	Vin Diesel. ▶		
FOX	32	Gotham: "Trespassers." (N) ©		The Orville: "Home." (N) ©				To be announced	
Ion	38	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ▶	
Telem	44	La sultana (N) ©		Falsa identidad (N) ©		Señora Acero (N) ©		Chicago (N)	
CW	50	Supernatural: "The Spear."		Roswell: Mysteries (N)		The Good Wife: "On Tap."		Chicago ▶	
UniMas	60	*(6) Entre dos amores		Rosario Tijeras		Rosario Tijeras		Tiro de ▶	
WJYS	62	History	Skywatch	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Christian	Dn. Carson	Monument	
Univ	66	Jesus		Mi marido tiene familia		Amar a muerte		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE		The First 48 ©		The First 48 (Series Premiere) (N)		(9:01) 60 Days In (N) ©		First 48 ▶
	AMC		A Bronx Tale (R,'93) ***	Robert De Niro, Chazz Palminteri. ©				The Town (R,'10) *** ▶	
	ANIM		Crikey! It's the Irwins ©		The Secret of (N)		The Secret of (N)		The Zoo ▶
	BBCA		Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves (PG-13,'91) **	Kevin Costner. ©					Robin Hd. ▶
	BET		Madame's Witness		Tyler Perry's Temptation: Confessions of a Marriage Counselor ▶				
	BIGTEN		Women's College Basketball: Iowa at Purdue. (N) ©		BTN Basketball in 60 ©				Basketball
	BRAVO		Top Chef (N) ©		Million Dollar Listing Los Angeles (N)		(9:31) Top Chef ©		
	CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ▶
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	FOOD		Chopped: "Bar Fight." ©		Chopped ©		Chopped ©		Beat Bobby
	FREE		Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG,'12) ** © (SAP)				Good Trouble: "DTLA."		700 Club ▶
	FX		Ted 2 (R,'15) **	Mark Wahlberg, Voice of Seth MacFarlane. ©			Ted 2 (R,'15) ** © ▶		
	HALL		A Royal Winter (NR,'17)	Merritt Patterson. ©			The Birthday Wish (NR,'17) © ▶		
	HGTV		Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters
	HIST		American Pickers		American Pickers (N) ©		(9:03) American Pickers		Pickers ▶
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	IFC		*(6) Pretty in Pink *** ©		My Cousin Vinny (R,'92) ***	Joe Pesci, Marisa Tomei. ©			
	LIFE		The Rap Game ©		The Rap Game (Season Premiere) (N) ©		(9:10) The Rap Game (N) ©		
	MSNBC		All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour ▶
	MTV		Ex on the Beach (N) ©		Florabama Shore (N) ©		Mean Girls (PG-13,'04) *** © ▶		
	NBCSCH		* NHL Hockey: Capitals at Bruins (N)		Fight Sports: World Class Championship Boxing				
	NICK		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG,'07) **	Jason Lee. ©			Friends ©
OVATION		*(6) Waterworld (PG-13,'95)		** Kevin Costner.		Travel (N)	Travel (N)	Troy *** ▶	
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OXY		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ▶	
PARMT		Friends ©		Friends ©		Mr. Deeds (PG-13,'02) *	Adam Sandler. ©	Here Cms ▶	
SYFY		*(6) Blade II (R,'02) **	Wesley Snipes.	Blade: Trinity (R,'04) **	Wesley Snipes. © ▶				
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WE		Growing Up Hip Hop (N) ©				Marriage: Stars (Season Premiere) (N)		Hip Hop ▶	
WGN America		Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO		Super Troopers 2 (R,'18) ** ©			(8:40) The Greatest Showman (PG,'17) **			
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	MAX		The A-Team (PG-13,'10) **	Liam Neeson. ©			Machete (R,'10) **	Danny Trejo. ▶	
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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Jan. 10): Listen to your heart and spirit this year. Create your plan, and advance it methodically. Prioritize love and family. Extra expenses this winter boost a collaboration into higher gear. Summer realizations inspire a passionate personal performance. Thoughtful planning anticipates a dream into reality.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 5. Discipline can realize a dream. It's not about luck. Consider possible options, and then refine into concrete plans. Schedule actions.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Teamwork can move mountains. Provide patience and compassion. Someone may be going through difficult times. Share an inspiring vision to motivate the troops.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 6. Proceed with caution through a professional test or challenge. Avoid hasty mistakes or risky business. Maintain forward momentum, and postpone chores if needed.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Study possible options in advance. Costs could vary widely, and your desired choice may not be available. Schedule carefully, and double-check reservations.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Delays or obstacles could impact shared finances. Keep to practical priorities. Avoid provoking an argument. You may need to defer gratification.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Strategize with your partner. You may notice everywhere that your dream or possibility is missing. Keep your sense of humor.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Slow down to avoid accidents or injury. A challenge to your physical fitness, work and health deserves thoughtful consideration. Postpone expense or risk.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. A romantic fantasy may not match reality. Relax and abandon expectations. Have fun with people you love. Give up the need for control or perfection.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Domestic projects draw you in. Resolve an unexpected mess. Restraint serves you well. Postpone what you can. Stick to your budget and provide sweat equity.

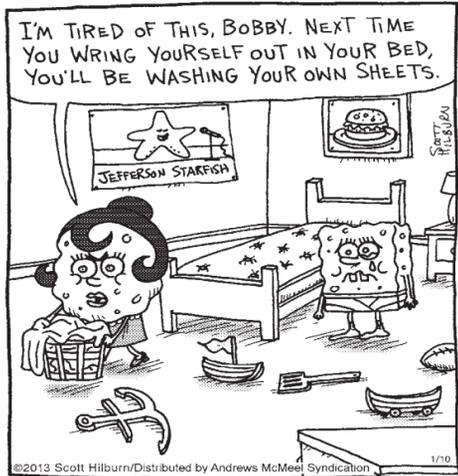
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Words and ideas could seem jumbled and tangled. Have patience with communications and transportation. Avoid traffic or trickiness. Double-check the data. Get experienced advice.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Track finances carefully to plug any leaks. Check subscriptions and auto-payments. Find ways to conserve money.

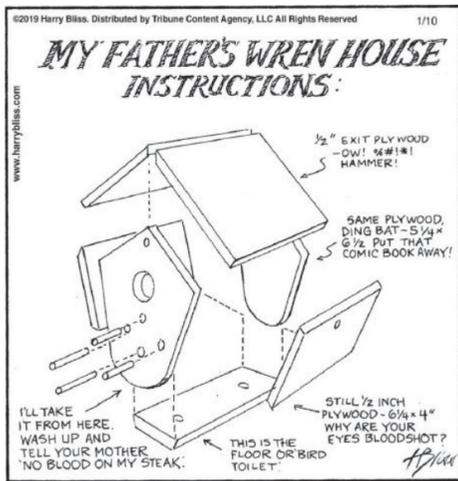
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Go for your personal dream, even when confronting a disappointment. Avoid sharp objects. Stay patient, and wait for conditions to change.

— 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

Neither vulnerable, North deals

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

Trump Coup Tommy had returned to his local duplicate club after a long absence. His frustrations with the game had been overcome, once again, by his love for the game. North's thoughtful bidding sequence let Tommy know that his strong club holding was opposite shortness. This devalued his hand and he pulled in the reins at game instead of looking for slam.

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♦	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♠	All pass		

Opening lead: Eight of ♣

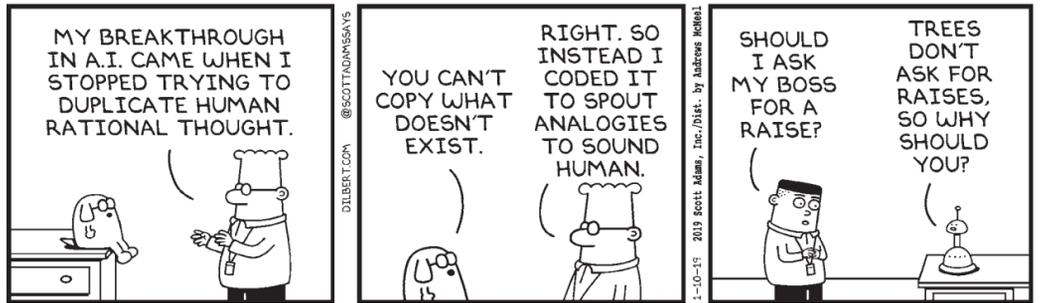
was delighted when West showed out. Tommy was out of practice, but he was sure he could find a trump coup and live up to his nickname.

Tommy cashed the ace and king of clubs before leading a heart to dummy's ace and ruffing a heart, reducing his trump length to the same as East's. East had discarded a diamond on the second heart, but he followed to all the clubs, so Tommy was fine. Tommy was beaming when he led a diamond. It didn't matter when East chose to win his ace. He would have to put dummy on lead with a diamond and the play of the fourth diamond would eventually give Tommy the last two tricks on a trump coup.

"Ah," said Tommy. "It's good to be back."

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Dilbert By Scott Adams



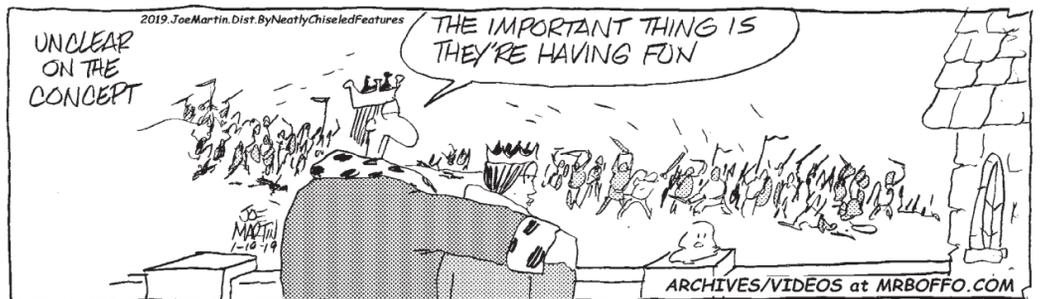
Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



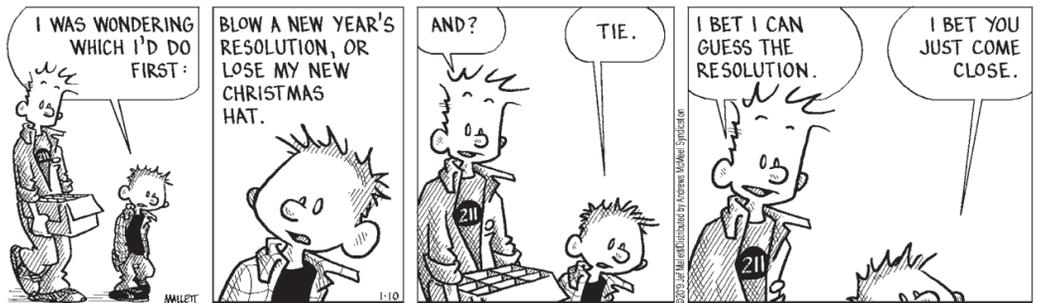
Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



Mr. Boffo By Joe Martin



Frazz By Jef Mallett



Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz



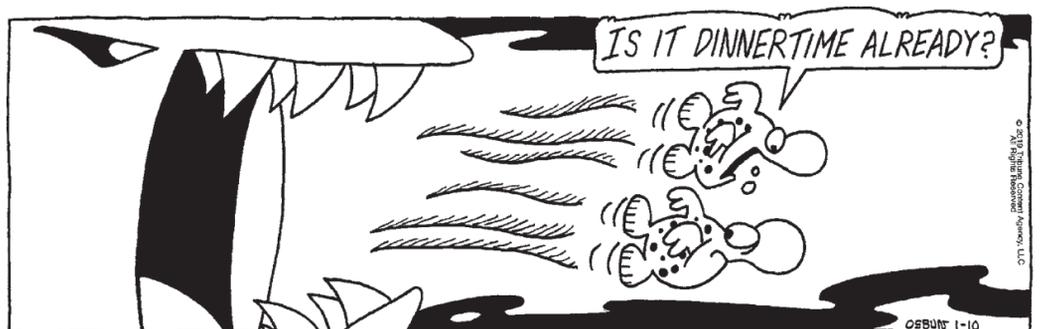
Pickles By Brian Crane



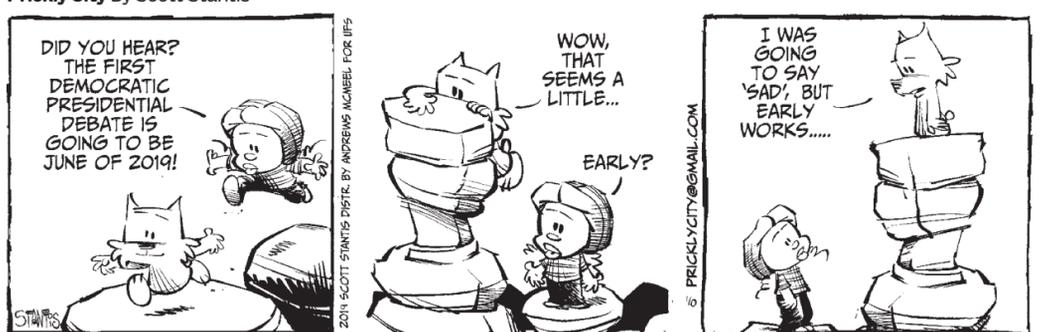
Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



Animal Crackers By Mike Osburn



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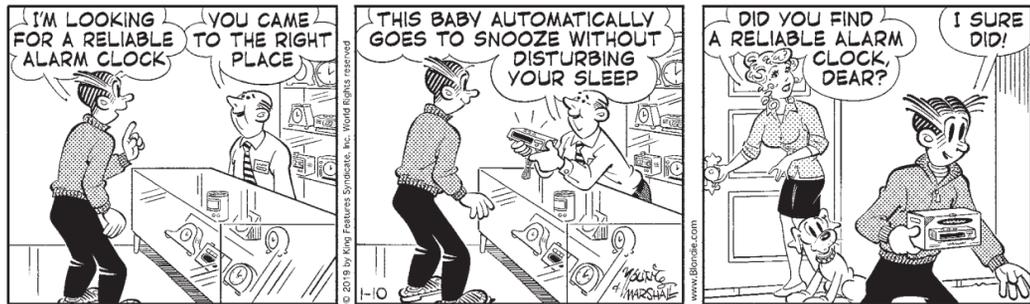
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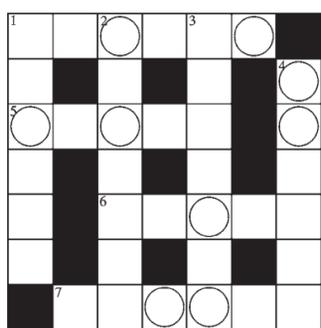
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Trivia Bits

London had the world's first underground train system. Which world capital had the second?
 A) Beijing, China
 B) Budapest, Hungary
 C) Buenos Aires, Argentina
 D) Paris, France
 Wednesday's answer: Peter Frampton's "Show Me the Way" hit No. 6 on the Billboard Hot 100 in 1976.
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Jumble Crossword



- CLUE ACROSS**
- Without doubt
 - ___ burger
 - Bumbling
 - Annoy
- CLUE DOWN**
- Surrounding community
 - Break
 - "The ___ Yard"
 - More cushioned
- ANSWER**
- ACROSS: 1. RLUSEY, 2. INOBS, 3. PTNEI, 4. EPTRES
 DOWN: 1. UBBSUR, 2. ERIETPS, 3. STEONLG, 4. EFTSOR

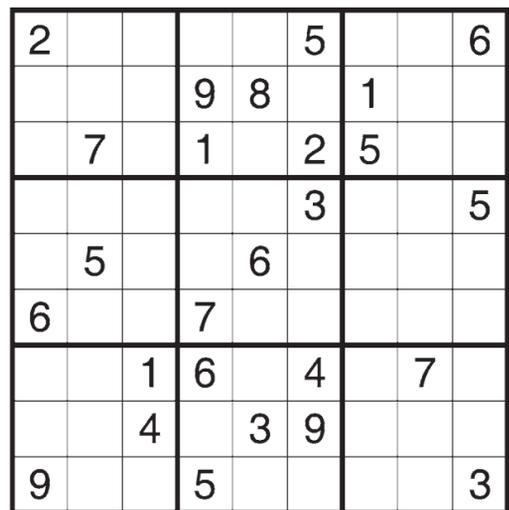
How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

CLUE: _____ was born in Philadelphia on Jan. 1, 1752.
BONUS ○○○○○○ ○○○○○○

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 ANSWERS: 1A-Surely 5A-Bloom 6A-Inept 7A-Festive 8A-Beast 9A-Beast 10A-Beast 11A-Beast 12A-Beast 13A-Beast 14A-Beast 15A-Beast 16A-Beast 17A-Beast 18A-Beast 19A-Beast 20A-Beast 21A-Beast 22A-Beast 23A-Beast 24A-Beast 25A-Beast 26A-Beast 27A-Beast 28A-Beast 29A-Beast 30A-Beast 31A-Beast 32A-Beast 33A-Beast 34A-Beast 35A-Beast 36A-Beast 37A-Beast 38A-Beast 39A-Beast 40A-Beast 41A-Beast 42A-Beast 43A-Beast 44A-Beast 45A-Beast 46A-Beast 47A-Beast 48A-Beast 49A-Beast 50A-Beast 51A-Beast 52A-Beast 53A-Beast 54A-Beast 55A-Beast 56A-Beast 57A-Beast 58A-Beast 59A-Beast 60A-Beast 61A-Beast 62A-Beast 63A-Beast 64A-Beast 65A-Beast 66A-Beast 67A-Beast 68A-Beast

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

1/10



6	1	2	8	3	9	7	4	5
9	8	7	5	4	1	6	2	3
5	4	3	7	2	6	1	9	8
3	7	9	6	8	2	4	5	1
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4	2	6	1	5	7	8	3	9
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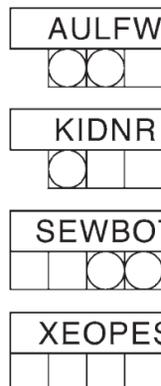
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Wednesday'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



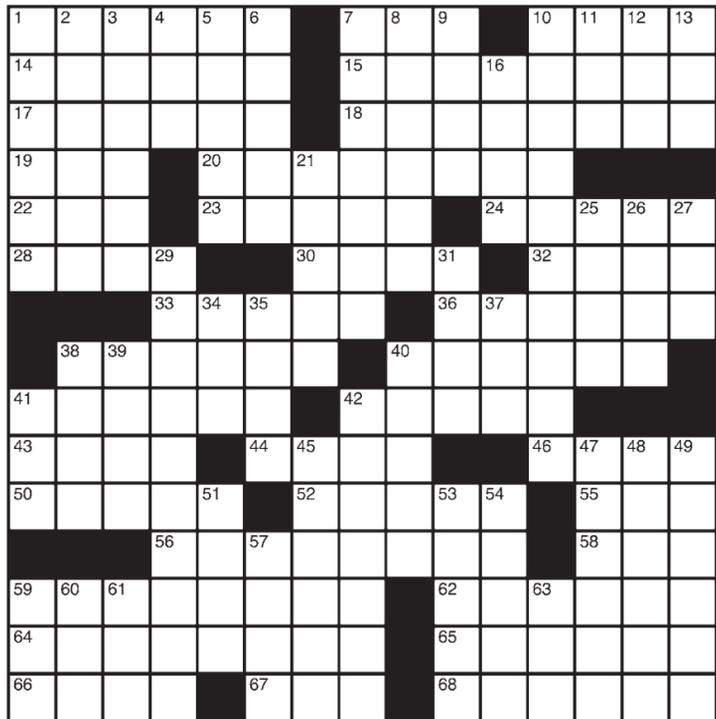
Wednesday's answers

Jumbles: HOUSE DRAFT SPRUCE RUNNER
 Answer: The court case against the manufacturer of the faulty windows was — OPEN AND SHUT

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Crossword

1/10



- Across**
- Online shopping units
 - Series automaker
 - Comics possum
 - Eagerly accept
 - Dinner table boors
 - Pinch pennies
 - Strictly religious
 - ___ out a living
 - "My bad"
 - "Kidding!"
 - Toklas' life partner
 - Cupid cohort
 - "The Hunger Games" president Coriolanus ___
 - Flaps
 - "A Little Nightmare Music" composer P.D.Q. ___
 - Hot under the collar
 - Canadian coin
 - Lowbrow stuff
 - 58-Across type meaning "black dragon"
 - Disney's Montana
 - Lamb's lament
 - See 27-Down
 - Whole lot
 - Hamburger's home
 - Hallowed
 - Starters
 - Durham sch.
 - '70s-'90s Pontiacs
 - See 40-Across
 - Common campaign promise, and what four black squares in this puzzle create
 - Tailor's measure
 - Person-to-person
 - Rather thick
 - See 38-Down
 - Frowny-faced
 - Chicken
 - Mac platform
 - In vogue
 - First word in titles by Arthur Miller and Agatha Christie
 - Flutist Herbie
 - Vaper's need, informally
 - With 43-Across, feeling often fought
 - British courtroom fixture
 - Blackthorn plum
 - Bloemfontein's land: Abbr.
 - Rhine whines
 - Ipanema greeting
 - With 66-Across, German philosopher buried in London's Highgate Cemetery
 - "Bus Stop" dramatist
 - Not as current
 - Busy airport
 - Hand-dyed with wax
 - Place to put on a suit
 - Filmmaker with a unique style
 - Anxiety
 - Disgraced
 - Go sour
 - "Hasta mañana"
 - "The Beat with Ari Melber" network
 - Avant-garde sorts
 - Hiddleston who plays Loki in Marvel films
 - Santa ___
 - Boomer's kid
 - RR stop

Down

- Mary-Kate, Ashley and Elizabeth
- S'pose
- "Do I ___ eat a peach?": Eliot
- Prefix with graph or gram
- "Groundhog Day" director Harold
- Mid-Mar. honoree
- Trite saying
- Sheep prized for its wool
- Power unit
- Kiosk with a camera
- Ref. work whose 2018 Word of the Year is "toxic"
- Miracle—

Wednesday's solution



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CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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THURSDAY, JAN. 10 NORMAL HIGH: 31° NORMAL LOW: 17° RECORD HIGH: 60° (1975) RECORD LOW: -26° (1982)

Above-normal temperatures set for comeback

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 30 **LOW** 22

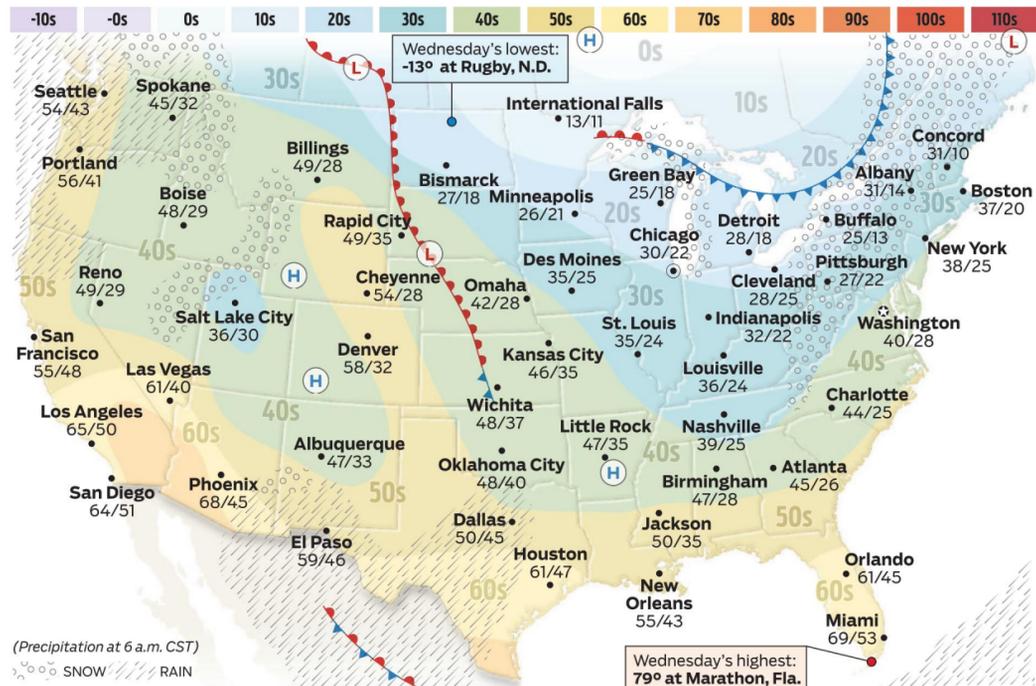
■ A frigid start with temps hovering near 10 degrees in the normally colder locations and wind chills near zero.

■ A sun/cloud mix and lighter winds help boost afternoon highs within striking distance of typical early January norms.

■ Northwest winds average 6-14 mph.

■ Partly cloudy, not as cold Thursday night. Lows in the lower 20s.

NATIONAL FORECAST



After Wednesday's sub-normal temperatures (that broke a string of 29 consecutive days above the climatological daily normals), Chicago's temperatures Thursday are expected to remain below normal one more time, though just barely. But readings on Friday jump a little above normal and then remain there through the balance of the seven-day forecast cycle. Though above normal, temperatures won't be mild: Daytime highs are expected to be mostly in the 30s and nighttime lows in the 20s.

A weather disturbance is forecast to develop in south Texas on Friday, then move northeast across South Carolina on Sunday, and then into the Atlantic Ocean. Rain associated with this system is expected as far north as the Oklahoma-to-North Carolina line, with snow north of there.

FRIDAY, JAN. 11

HIGH 35 **LOW** 27

Partial sunshine fades as clouds gradually increase by/during the afternoon. Temps climb back above normal in the middle 30s with light south winds. Flurries build to light snow during Saturday's predawn hours.

SATURDAY, JAN. 12

HIGH 33 **LOW** 26

Low pressure passes south, bringing occasional light snow. Some accumulation is possible. Projections favor the far southern sections for the heaviest totals. Daytime temps in the low 30s. ENE winds 10-20 mph.

SUNDAY, JAN. 13

HIGH 35 **LOW** 24

Early cloudiness breaks allowing for partly sunny skies to return. Brisk east to northeast winds 15-20 mph accompany the seasonably chilly afternoon high temperatures in the middle 30s.

MONDAY, JAN. 14

HIGH 38 **LOW** 28

Partly sunny, turning breezy and modestly warmer. Afternoon highs peak in the upper 30s. SW winds increase to 15-20 mph. Partly cloudy, not as chilly overnight.

TUESDAY, JAN. 15

HIGH 41 **LOW** 24

A brief surge of mild, Pacific origin air moves into the Chicago area. Highs peak in the low 40s, about 10 degrees above normal amid steady SW winds 12-24 mph. Partly cloudy, a few flurries possible Tuesday night.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16

HIGH 35 **LOW** 22

Partly cloudy, breezy, and colder. A few lakeside flurries possible. Gusty northeast winds 12-24 mph ease late in the day. Highs peak in the lower to middle 30s.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
The winter of 1976-77 was severe. Was it Chicago's coldest winter? If not, which winter was, and how much snow fell that winter?
— Garrett Ryan, Mokena

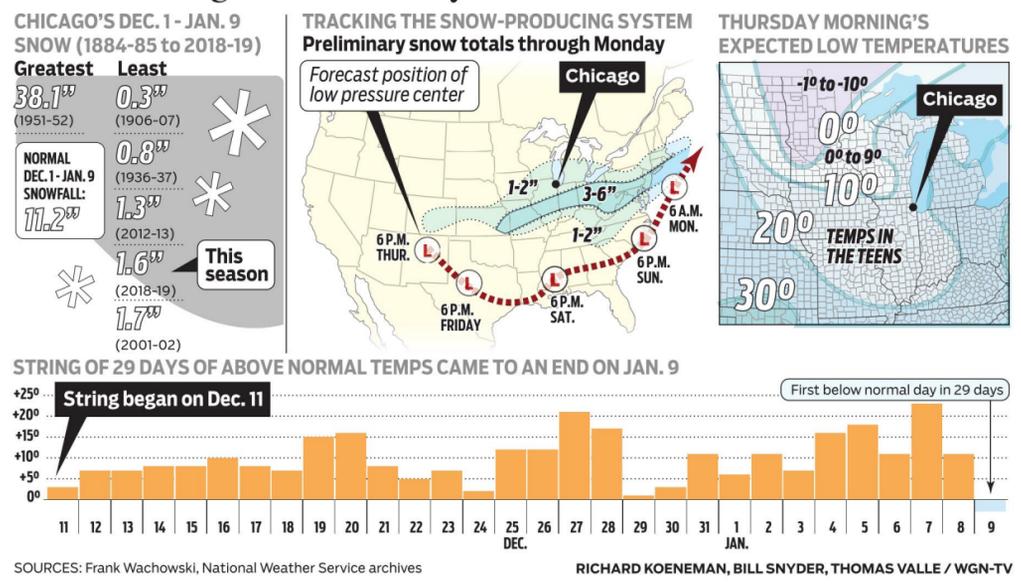
Dear Garrett,
Chicago's average winter temperature (December-February) is 26.4 degrees; its average seasonal snowfall is 37.2 inches. The winter of 1976-77 was severe, but it was neither the city's coldest winter nor its snowiest. Chicago's coldest winter was 1903-04, with an average temperature of 18.3 degrees and total seasonal snowfall of 59.5 inches (ninth snowiest). The winter of 1976-77, at 18.7 degrees, ranks third coldest, with full-season snowfall of 54.1 inches (19th snowiest). Looking at the entire cold season, Nov. 1 through March 31: The coldest was 1892-93, at 25 degrees and 31.5 inches of snow; 1976-77 was 13th coldest, 26.8 degrees, and 19th snowiest with 54.1 inches.

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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Accumulating snow Saturday follows season's chilliest air to date



CHICAGO DIGEST

WEDNESDAY TEMPERATURES			
LOCATION	HI	LO	HI LO
Aurora	24	18	Midway 26 20
Gary	26	22	O'Hare 25 19
Kankakee	24	20	Romeoville 24 18
Lakefront	27	20	Valparaiso 29 22
Lansing	23	19	Waukegan 24 17

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION			
PERIOD	2019	NORMAL	
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	0.06"	
January to date	0.46"	0.56"	
Year to date	0.46"	0.56"	

CHICAGO SNOWFALL			
PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY	
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	Trace	
Season to date	1.3"	10.2"	
Normal to date	12.6"	13.4"	

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS			
WEDNESDAY			
Wind	NW 10-22 kts.	S/SW 5-14 kts.	
Waves	3-5 feet	1-2 feet	
Wed. shore/crib water temps	37°/33°		

U.S. SNOW COVER			
JAN. 9	2019	2018	
Area covered by snow	29.6%	40.3%	
Average snow depth	2.9"	3.1"	

TRACKING THE COLD			
SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY	
Sub-32° highs	7 days	7 days	
Subzero lows	0 days	0 days	

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY			
Wednesday's reading	Good		
Thursday's forecast	Good		
Critical pollutant	Particulates		

WEDNESDAY RISE/SET TIMES			
Sun	7:18 a.m.	4:38 p.m.	
Moon	9:35 a.m.	8:09 p.m.	

WEDNESDAY PLANET WATCH			
PLANET	RISE	SET	
Mercury	6:52 a.m.	3:53 p.m.	
Venus	3:47 a.m.	1:34 p.m.	
Mars	10:30 a.m.	11:04 p.m.	
Jupiter	4:27 a.m.	1:44 p.m.	
Saturn	6:31 a.m.	3:44 p.m.	

BEST VIEWING TIME			
Mercury	Not visible		
Venus	5:45 a.m.	17.5° SE	
Mars	5:45 p.m.	50° SSW	
Jupiter	5:45 a.m.	11° SE	
Saturn	Not visible		

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

SHOWSTOPPING NEWS

Chicago's own Chris Jones, covering theater news and reviews from Chicago to Broadway: chicagotribune.com/theaterloop

From one of the most influential theater critics in America.

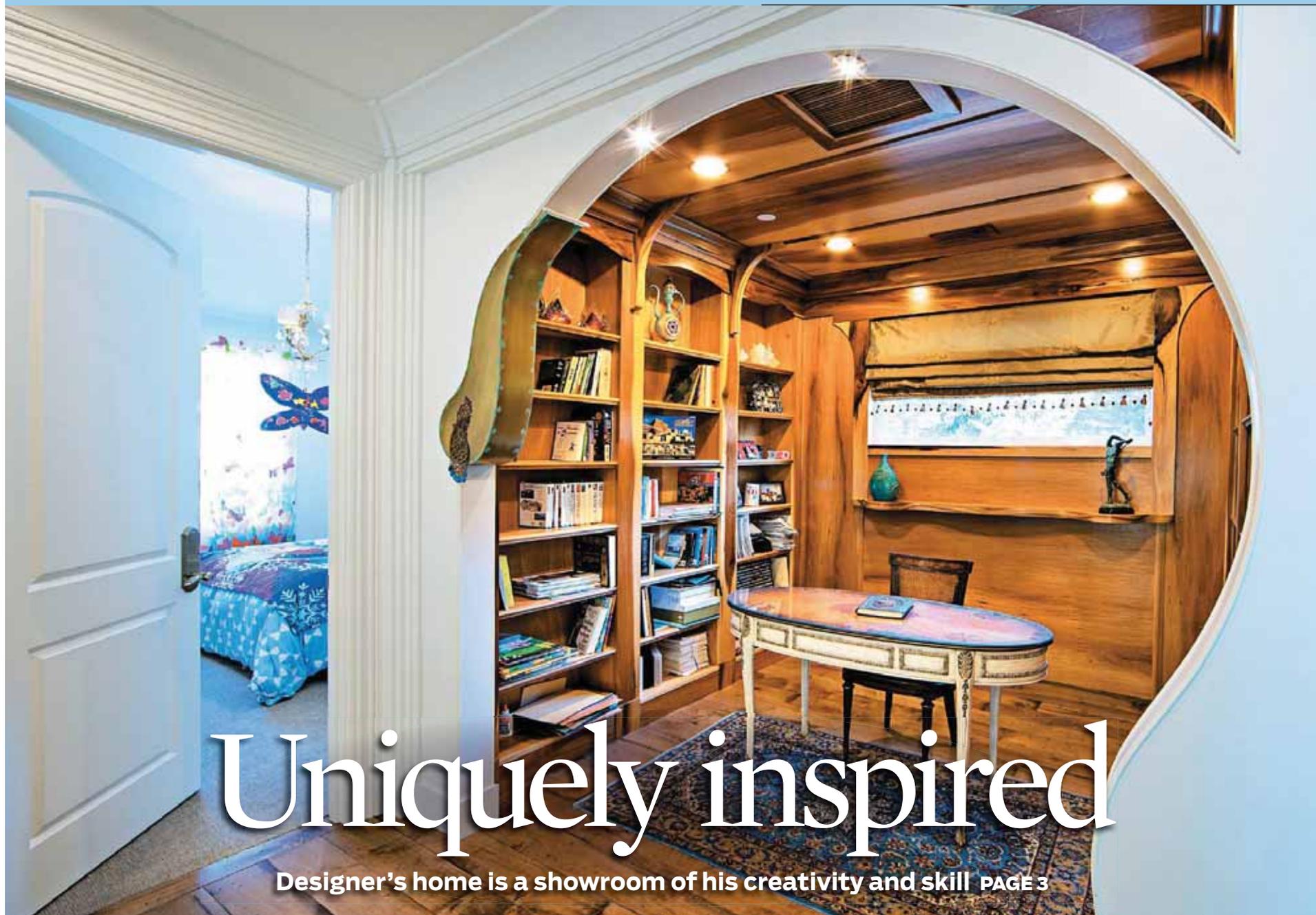
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Uniquely inspired

Designer's home is a showroom of his creativity and skill **PAGE 3**

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CHICAGO



Rethink these renovations

You might regret making these home improvements

Tribune News Service

Between trying to save money and customizing a home to an exact lifestyle, homeowners can make some big mistakes. Whether they decrease resale value, go way over budget or increase maintenance costs, some renovations are better left undone. These are the projects homeowners most commonly tell us they regret.

Making a bedroom into a closet

Most of us dream of a big closet, but converting a bedroom into a walk-in will make your real estate agent cringe. First, removing a bedroom usually decreases a property's value up to 15 percent. Second, installing shelves typically costs \$1,000 to \$2,600. Instead of going this route, consider maximizing the storage space you already have. Use pre-built racks and closet organizers to take advantage of your existing closet space.

Installing a pool

Pools come with a few unexpected costs people don't always consider. First,



DREAMSTIME

It's easy to overlook increased homeowners insurance and property tax expenses when installing a swimming pool.

building a pool can increase the cost of homeowners insurance and property taxes. If local codes require pool owners to install a barrier, you're looking at more than \$2,500 in fencing costs. Installation is expensive, and the ongoing time and pool maintenance costs can also be steep. If you're on a budget, a pool can easily become a regretful addition.

Springing for an expensive bathroom remodel

High-end finishes like time-consuming tile patterns, costly tubs and showers, and luxury faucets or fixtures can end up breaking your budget and falling short of your anticipated return on investment. Getting rid of the rust and laminate and adding efficient features is great. Just don't go overboard. Set a

budget in advance. A general guideline is to spend no more than 10 percent of the home's value on a bathroom remodel.

Adding a sunroom

According to Remodeling Magazine, sunrooms typically yield returns less than half of your initial investment. The average sunroom costs more than \$16,000. Unless you're

adding much-needed livable square footage to a small floor plan, building and furnishing a sunroom can drain your bank account and create less enjoyment than you hope.

Investing in expensive landscaping

It's easy to overdo landscaping, but it can be a fine line between just enough and too much. Too many

trees, shrubs and plants can detract from the natural beauty and curb appeal of the home. Plus, homeowners can end up spending thousands of dollars and all of their free time doing yard work. Intricate landscaping is a choice most homeowners wish they hadn't made.

Anything with inferior craftsmanship

From the smallest update to the largest renovation, it pays to choose better quality. It's easy to end up with mediocre or regretful results when you accept the lowest contractor bid or go the do-it-yourself route. In the world of poor-quality construction, there are nightmare stories of contractors who demanded extra money to finish the job, used substandard or dangerous materials, or just stopped showing up altogether.

The best way to avoid this? Interview at least three contractors before you hire, verify licensing and insurance, and always call to check the references of any professional you're considering hiring.

The do's and don'ts of window treatments

BY CATHY HOBBS

Tribune News Service

Should you have window treatments or go without? Install solar shades or draperies? When it comes to dressing windows, there really aren't rules, just myriad options based on your desired aesthetic, look and budget.

Do: Consider solar shades when looking to achieve a more modern look. Solar shades come in different opacities. The higher the

percentage, the more open the weave.

Consider a natural material such as wood or bamboo blinds. They tend to be durable and cost-effective.

Cover an entire window opening. Whether you wish to have your window treatment hardware mounted inside or outside a frame is a personal choice. But be sure to have window treatments at either end of the windowsill, or in the case of long draperies, extend to the floor.

Mix window treatments

throughout a home. It is perfectly acceptable to integrate shades, blinds and draperies throughout different rooms, depending on the desired aesthetic.

Consider partial draperies. This is a common trick of interior designers involving a technique in which panel drapery is installed as stationary decorative panels on either side of a window or door opening. These types of panels are not intended to be functional.

Don't: Purchase window

treatments without consulting a professional or understanding what measurements are required to achieve a desired look.

Forget to clean window treatments on a regular basis. Whether via dusting, dry cleaning or placing window treatments in a washing machine, you will want to keep them clean and fresh.

Ignore safety. Always opt to use suggested child safety devices around small children.

Choose window treat-



DESIGN RECIPES

Be sure to have window treatments at each end of the sill.

ments that will clash with your decor. In many cases, less is more.

Forget that window treatments are decorative enhancements, not a must.

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Designer finds ideas wherever he looks

BY SANDY DENEAU
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The Seattle Times

BELLEVUE, Wash. — Not only does Farshad Mahramnia see creative potential everywhere, he also brings it home.

This means two things: First, his wife, Laleh Zadeh, doesn't get to park in their crowded-with-potential garage/storage area/studio all that often.

Second, once Mahramnia acts on all that artistic potential (and he does, eventually), he brings it inside their home, where it is head-spinningly apparent what a visionary creator he is.

Mahramnia owns and operates Unique Design (@uniquedesignllc on Instagram), envisioning, designing and creating what he calls "one-of-a-kind architectural, decorative and functional art."

"Unique" and "one-of-a-kind" are perfectly appropriate adjectives, but sometimes you wish there were one more powerful.

"Inspired," with the strength of several senses in one word, could be a contender.

Mahramnia and Zadeh moved to Bellevue, Wash., from Iran 19 years ago and now live here with their two daughters, 11-year-old Rojan and 8-year-old Roxana.

"When we came to the U.S. as immigrants, to survive, we really needed a job," says Zadeh. "He started as an assistant to a carpenter. Because he's an artist with a vision, he picked it up really quickly and started his own business in one year. Because he has a good vision, custom houses incorporated his art. He'd say, 'I have this idea: You can make this wine-cellar door very pretty.' A few years ago, we started our own house."



Farshad Mahramnia works on his latest creation, a woman's face made out of copper, in his garage studio.

Mahramnia's talent is inherent; his influences, like his work, have evolved over time. "Back home, I worked in artwork, engraving copper: very traditional art," says Farshad, who is currently working on a series of brass-and-copper sculptures. "Now art is more of a hobby. Sometimes in my art I don't want to use anything all-Persian, but when I draw it, it just comes."

Essentially, their entire home serves as a showroom of influence and inspiration: a livable, luxurious gallery of exquisite design, creativity and skill, inside and out.

The couple had a blank canvas with which to work, after teaming with Seattle architect Chris Luthi on a major remodel of the site's existing, artless 1959 rambler. Even before its demolition, Mahramnia was at work, creating.

"The front doors I pre-made one year before the house," he says. "The stair railing, brass, was pre-made."

Brass is big here. Bronze too. Copper. And wood. "All kinds of wood," Mahramnia says. "Maple, walnut, birch, cedar. Everything."

Some pieces have been salvaged from demo sites. Some have been repurposed from old furniture. Some, like the hemlock of the 8-foot-tall front doors, came from a lumber store.

This particular portal of potential first appeared to Mahramnia in a photo.

"I had an idea, 18th-century French," he says. "I saw a picture and tried to make it myself. I wanted it to look old. I painted a crack to look a little old; it's not nice and clean."

Just inside those amazing doors: a staircase so detailed, so inspired, you will gape at it until you've forgotten why you needed to go upstairs.

"The stairs I made myself, from maple, regular lumber," he says. "I cut it into shape. It's a little unusual. The brass is inset in iron. This is my idea. I never saw anyone use brass for a picket. For the post, I cut the iron and formed it. I just designed it myself."

In the living room, Mahramnia finished and sanded the fireplace (with marble accents) and painted it an antique black. Also, Zadeh says, "he painted the shades and added the tassels."

Mahramnia made the



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Mahramnia found this painting in an old shed that was being cleaned out at a job site. He built the frame himself and hung it above the fireplace, which he also designed.

coffee table, which holds a "very old" 35-inch copper tray he brought back from Iran. Other copper trays, or components of trays, show up in the media-room card table and, in the powder room, in the frame around the mirror, on a table under the window and hammered into a bowl for the bathroom sink.

That gorgeous window? Previously just a piece of plain glass Mahramnia picked up somewhere, seeing something.

"He just goes to estate sales and buys it and saves it," says Zadeh. "I say, 'What are you doing?' He says, 'I'm going to do something with it later.'"

In the media room, the cabinets under a stunning bar of rainforest granite and live-edge maple had rested as potential until inspiration struck to add copper and glass.

"Usually, when I see something, I buy it and leave it in the garage and use it in a few years,"

Mahramnia says.

Outside, where Mahramnia crafted a spectacular fence from a tree felled by the city of Issaquah ("I kept it two or three years and didn't know what I'd do with it," he says), and a gate with historic door-knockers from Iran, he points out the copper fireplace chimney he designed — or, maybe, "is designing," not quite past tense.

"I forgot about this one," he says. "I will keep going."



DREAMSTIME

Carpet cleaners use several techniques to remove allergens and pollutants from carpets.

HOME REMEDIES

Things to consider when hiring a carpet cleaner

BY PAUL F. P. POGUE
Angie's List

If you held holiday events all through December, the unsung MVP of your home may be your carpets! They've endured large amounts of traffic, not to mention the salt or melted snow visitors may be tracking into your house. Now is an excellent time to take stock of your carpet and consider hiring a professional carpet cleaner.

Benefits of carpet cleaning: Cleaning your carpet carries more than just aesthetic benefits. The American Lung Association says that dust accumulation in carpets and rugs can have an impact on allergies. And according to the Environmental Protection agency, carpets retain numerous sources of indoor air pollutants, including pet dander, insect allergens, particle pollution and everyday dirt and dust. Microscopic dust mites or mold can also take up residence in your carpets without being visible.

All of these can be stirred up and released by walking across the carpet or using a standard vacuum. But a professional carpet cleaning service can

use steam cleanings, special shampoo formulas, and high-powered vacuums that remove these deeply trapped pollutants safely.

Hiring a carpet cleaner: The frequency of carpet cleanings depends on the amount of traffic your carpet receives, as well as the household environment. Low-traffic carpets may only need to be cleaned yearly. Households with pets, smokers, children or large amounts of foot traffic should be professionally cleaned two to four times per year.

Carpeting is one of your home's most valuable and visible assets, so you want to select your cleaner carefully. When you hire a carpet cleaning service, ask exactly what is included in the quoted price. Will they move furniture for you? Will they clean high-traffic areas? Does it cost extra to clean stairs? You also want to be sure they screen their employees and conduct criminal background checks. Ask what certifications they hold from reputable cleaning organizations, such as the Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification.

Homeowners have

several options when it comes to choosing the type of carpet cleaning method. Some cleaning services use a wet cleaning method, or steam cleaning, that has a significant drying time, while others are considered "dry" treatments, which you can walk on as soon as the cleaning is finished.

Some treatments use powerful cleaning chemicals, while others rely on the power of steam or environmentally friendly cleaning products. You want to choose a company that offers the treatment method that works best for your home and family.

Take care when listening to promotional carpet cleaning rates. Insist on an in-home estimate to get the best estimate possible. Be very skeptical of carpet cleaners who keep piling on extra services and costs after they've given an initial price. Some companies offer a low price simply to get a foot in the door, then identify many other issues to upsell costly services.

Double-check your carpet manufacturer's documentation for cleaning details. Some methods will void a carpet's warranty.

Follow proper techniques when pruning your trees

BY TIM JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

There are some low branches from some shade trees hanging over my driveway that I would like to prune off to avoid scratching my car. Is this an OK time to do this work?

— John Grey, Highland Park

The dormant season (winter) is a good time to prune your trees. Taking the time to make proper pruning cuts is important. When you remove a branch, you are creating an injury to the tree, which it responds to by isolating the damage. It does not heal the wound by regenerating tissue like we do.

It is best to prune less aggressively or wait for another year or two if the tree is under stress due to drought, disease or insect damage, or has been aggressively pruned in the last couple of years. A tree that has low energy reserves due to any type of stress may be compromised in its ability to respond to the pruning.

You will get the best results by making your pruning cuts just outside the branch collar of the limb so that it stays intact. Trees form a protective barrier inside the branch collar and, by leaving this zone intact after pruning, you will allow the tree to more quickly form a boundary that will restrict the spread of rot, pathogens and insects.

A proper pruning cut will start at the top of the branch collar and end at the bottom. Look for a distinctive bulge (ridge of bark) at the base of the branch where it connects to the trunk. Branch collars can be thick and prominent on some species, or flat and close to the trunk on others, making them



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Winter is a good time to prune trees. A proper pruning cut will start at the top of the branch collar and end at the bottom. Look for a distinctive bulge (ridge of bark) at the base of the branch where it connects to the trunk.

hard to see. Your pruning cuts may vary from half an inch or less from the trunk and vertical to an inch plus at an angle away from the trunk.

The position of the branch collar is what should guide the placement of your cut, and pruning just outside of it is the general rule. A thick branch collar may protrude some from the trunk when you are finished pruning, but you should avoid cutting too far away from the collar and leaving a stub outside of it. A branch that has been dead for a period of years may have a more developed branch collar that is a few inches from the trunk, and you should prune so as to leave it intact.

When you make the proper cut, the new growth will develop evenly around the wound. If this does not happen, then you likely cut through the branch collar. There is no need to treat

the wounds after pruning, as pathogens will seldom spread into a tree when branches are pruned properly.

Before you make the final pruning cut at the branch collar, you will need to shorten the branches to about a 4-inch stub; otherwise, the branch will likely tear away and damage the trunk as it falls. Make the initial cut about a third of the way through the branch on the underside and 4 to 6 inches away from the trunk. Then make the next cut to remove the limb on the top of the branch within an inch outside of your first cut.

The branch may break away quickly as it begins falling and it hits the undercut, which will prevent the bark from tearing away from the trunk.

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Vapor retarders keep water out of your home

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Q: I'm flummoxed. I've seen videos and read online articles about needing a vapor barrier in the walls of my home and possibly under concrete slabs. My builder says these things are a waste of money. I need your vote of confidence and written words to give me the strength to demand they be used. What are these materials? Do they work? And where would you use them in your home?

A: Have you ever been rolled over by a builder, remodeler or salesperson? In the past week, it happened to both my son-in-law and my son! Knowledge is power, and the person with the gold makes the rules. Those are two axioms I'm continuing to pound into my kids and their spouses.

It's important to realize that vapor is very hard to stop. That's why it's best to call the products vapor retarders, not vapor barriers. I can tell you unequivocally they're fantastic products, and I'd use them in my house in certain areas all the time and in other places sometimes.

I've got lots of past articles and videos about vapor retarders and barriers at my AsktheBuilder.com website, but you should also go to the authoritative website BuildingScience.com for some amazing facts and figures.

A key point about vapor retarders is that, like other



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The yellow plastic vapor retarder you see is a very special product. It's far better than the low-priced rolls of clear plastic you might see at a home center.

products, there are different levels of quality. Some products are cheap and do a so-so job of blocking vapor. If you spend a few more dollars, you can get superior products. I only buy ones that pass the ASTM E1745 test.

Water vapor lives in the soil — unless your home is in the Atacama Desert, where you may find trace amounts. Normal soil is damp, and the water vapor is constantly trying to escape into the air. You want to keep this vapor in the soil under your basement slab and out of your crawlspace.

High-performance vapor retarders do just that. Water vapor in basements and garages can rust equipment and tools and lead to mold growth on walls.

Water vapor can cause severe wood rot in walls of modern homes. This happens primarily in cold or hot climates. You've surely taken a cold beverage can outdoors on a humid summer day and seen water droplets form on the outside surface, right? The same thing can happen in your walls, where water vapor can condense on the cool surface of exterior

sheathing in a cold climate or the cool surface of dry-wall in a hot, humid climate when you have your AC on low.

A vapor retarder placed on the correct side of an exterior wall can stop wood rot, mold and mildew. Just do a little more research and you'll discover exactly what to do in your climate. Gather the data and don't get rolled by your builder or remodeler. After all, it's your money and your castle. Protect it!

Q: I'm really distressed. I spent over five figures

on new efficient replacement windows. I invested in the new windows because my old windows had lots of condensation streaming down the glass. I still have some condensation forming on the new ones! What's going on? Did I get ripped off?

A: Condensation is the bane for many a homeowner. I clearly remember the water pouring off the single-pane steel casement windows of my childhood home each winter. My mom would routinely have me towel the window sills dry in my never-ending

battle with the wretched water.

It's possible you were ripped off, depending on the quality of the replacement windows you bought. My advice to all who message me on my AsktheBuilder.com website is to purchase replacement windows that carry the gold AAMA label. Windows that have this certification are the highest quality you can get.

But here's the rub. I could install an AAMA gold-label window in your home perfectly using the latest expanding foam insulation, and you still might have condensation. Here's why:

Condensation forms when the temperature of a surface drops below the dew point of the air touching the surface. That might make your brain hurt so here's an example.

Imagine the outdoor temperature drops to minus 15 F one night. Even though your new windows have the best double-pane glass, the surface of the inner pane of glass in your home might drop down to 50 F while the outer pane of glass is at minus 15 F. If you have your humidifier set too high and the dew point of the air in your home is 51 F or higher, condensation is going to start to form on the glass.

The key to preventing window glass condensation is to lower the humidity in your home as the temperature drops outdoors. There are automatic controls that can do this for you.

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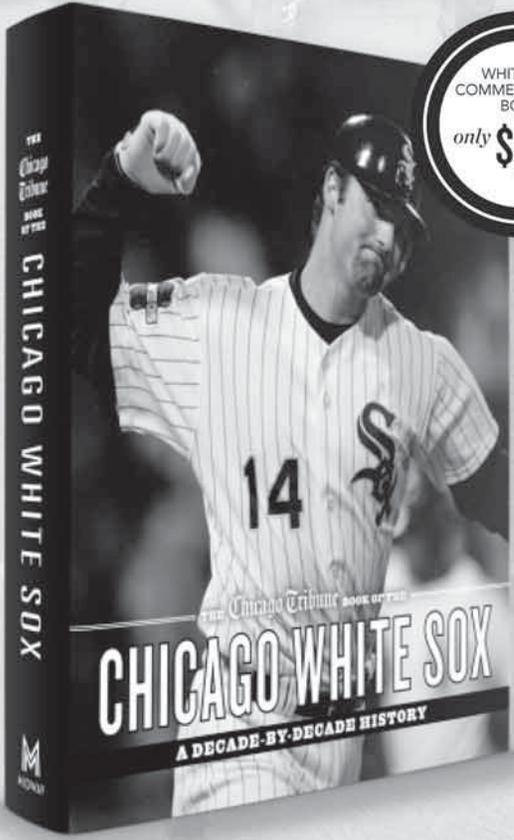
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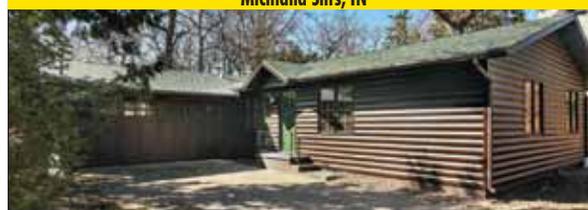
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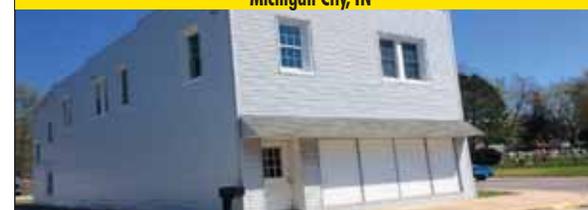
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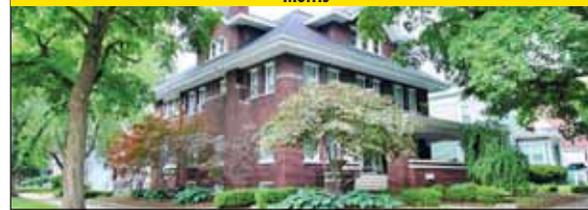
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