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After avoiding questions about Ald. Ed Burke's son, mayoral candidate Toni Preckwinkle gave a statement Wednesday.

Preckwinkle, Burke met before son's job

Cook Co. board president acknowledges alderman's kin got \$100K offer after meeting

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle said Wednesday that she spoke with longtime Ald. Edward Burke about a job for his son before her administration hired him to a nearly \$100,000 per year job.

At the time Preckwinkle's administration hired him, Edward Burke Jr. was

under investigation for misconduct by the Cook County sheriff's office where he worked for allegedly making inappropriate sexual comments to co-workers. Preckwinkle, who for weeks has avoided questions about hiring Burke Jr., made the statement at an afternoon news conference where her mayoral campaign unveiled a plan



Burke Jr.

to expand Chicago programs that help small businesses in minority communities.

"I had a meeting with Ed Burke," Preckwinkle said. "He shared with me that his son was looking for a new opportunity."

Preckwinkle did not explain what the meeting was about but said she gave Burke Jr.'s resume to the Homeland Security and Emergency Management

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Records show what FBI seized

In the raid on Ald. Edward Burke's office, agents seized folders naming a high-powered City Hall lobbyist, information about tax-increment financing districts and documents pertaining to the mega real-estate deal over the Old Main Post Office, according to records.

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State of Union rests on impasse

Trump signals he will do address after government shutdown ends

BY FELICIA SONMEZ AND SEUNG MIN KIM
The Washington Post



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WASHINGTON — House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on Wednesday rescinded her invitation to President Donald Trump to deliver the State of the Union in the House next week — denying him a national platform for the annual speech in a standoff between the two most powerful figures in the nation.

The cancellation, part of an escalating and at times personal feud between the newly elected Democratic speaker and the Republican president, illustrates the extent of the dysfunction that has gripped Washington and America's body politic amid the longest federal government shutdown in U.S. history.

The imbroglio also underscores the extent of the enmity that has developed between Trump and Pelosi, neither of whom appears ready to retreat in their standoff over the president's demand for money to fund part of his promised wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Pelosi and other Democratic leaders appear increasingly confident of their position in the fight as the impact of the gov-

ernment closures worsens while voters in numerous recent polls heap blame primarily on Trump and Republicans for the impasse.

House Democrats are prepared to support increased spending on border security if President Donald Trump agrees to reopen the government first, lawmakers and aides said Wednesday. The exact figure was not yet determined, but lawmakers said it would be higher than the levels supported in the past.

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Several adults were pulled from schools pending investigations, said CPS Inspector General Nicholas Schuler.

BETRAYED

Ax falls amid sexual misconduct probe

6 CPS employees fired and 4 substitute teachers are barred from classroom

BY JUAN PEREZ JR.
Chicago Tribune

Six Chicago Public Schools employees have been fired and four substitute teachers blocked from the classroom as a result of sexual misconduct investigations launched by the CPS inspector general since October, according to new statistics presented Wednesday to the school district's board.

Thirty-three additional adults were pulled from working in schools pending the outcome of their investigations, CPS Inspector General Nicholas Schuler said.

A dozen teachers, eight security guards, five vendor employees and four bus workers rank among the personnel pulled from

campus after getting swept up in the IG's investigations, Schuler said. The IG has opened nearly 140 inquiries in a little more than three months, encompassing a range of allegations that also have spurred a handful of law enforcement investigations and criminal charges.

Officials would not name the six terminated employees. Schuler said they included three security guards, one coach, a special education classroom assistant and a teacher.

CPS officials also disclosed Wednesday that a separate investigative team devoted to student-on-student misconduct cases has fielded scores of additional complaints

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Tempered enthusiasm

The excitement Mitch Trubisky feels for his first Pro Bowl appearance this week doesn't change the fact the Bears' first-round playoff loss to the Eagles just 18 days ago is still an open wound.

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Gov. J.B. Pritzker, with environmental advocates Wednesday in Springfield, holds an executive order he signed committing Illinois to the U.S. Climate Alliance.

Pritzker commits state to climate change fight

Study shows extreme weather convincing more people

BY TONY BRISCOE
Chicago Tribune

Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed an executive order Wednesday to join the United States Climate Alliance, aligning himself with 17 other governors who have committed their states to reduce carbon emissions consistent with the Paris Agreement after President Donald Trump vowed to with-

draw the United States from the pact.

By joining the coalition, Pritzker has pledged Illinois will reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 26 to 28 percent by 2025 compared to 2005 levels. Pritzker said Illinois is on track to get 25 percent of its power from renewable sources, referring to a requirement by the Future Energy Jobs Act, the bill that resulted in a boom in

solar energy across the state.

As of 2016, Illinois has already reduced its carbon footprint by more than 16 percent, according to state emissions data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

However, the country as a whole is still not on track to meet the Paris Agreement's end goal of

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- An article in Wednesday's Food & Dining section previewing Chicago Restaurant Week misstated the price of a four-course dinner at City Mouse. It is \$48.
- An op-ed on Monday about the State of the Union address erroneously indicated that John Adams served two terms as president. He served one term.
- A story in Friday's On The Town section about Stephen Malkmus had several factual errors. Stephen Malkmus had been working on his new record for two to three years. "Slay Tracks" was Pavement's first EP, rather than first album. The correct song title is "Cut Your Hair." The Jicks' guitarist is Mike Clark. The Tribune regrets the errors.

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Ald. Edward Burke sits in the audience before participating in a 14th Ward aldermanic candidate forum on Wednesday.



JOHN KASS

Will mayor hopefuls fall deeper in Burke mess?

Which of these post-Rahmulan candidates for mayor of Chicago — Toni Preckwinkle, Susana Mendoza or Gery Chico — will show up the most on federal tape in the investigation of Ald. Edward Burke?

"All of them? I don't know," said one of the true reformers, Ald. Scott Waguespack, 32nd, head of the Chicago City Council's Progressive Caucus.

"We've got an alderman wearing a wire. Burke has been charged," Waguespack said. "There's a lot more to this. We've just seen the tip of the iceberg. There's more to come."

Yes, there is more to come. And asking questions about how it affects the candidacies of some of the post-Rahmulans will upset their allies and supporters.

But I don't see any way around it. It's a terrible question, yes, an outrageous question. It shouldn't be asked. I've got to ask it. And Chicago has got to think about it.

Because the candidates are thinking about it, and their operatives are thinking about it, and their money guys.

It's more than likely that a federal investigation of a guy like Burke — 50 years an alderman who knows where all the bodies are buried — might brush up against some of the candidates in the mayoral race.

Because it looks like the feds have parked the big FBI bus in front of City Hall and they're offering rides.

The feds have already charged Burke, 14th, with one count of extortion, and they're not done.

There's nothing illegal about talking with Burke.

He talks to them all. He helped launch the careers of Chico, who worked for Burke on the council's Finance Committee, and Mendoza, who was married at Burke's home and counted him as her mentor until he got too hot.

And Burke helped another candidate, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, and raised money for her campaigns, and as laid out in a story the Chicago Tribune broke days

ago, she took care of him with a \$100,000-a-year job for his son.

Preckwinkle is now finally, and quite sheepishly, admitting that she talked to Burke about that cushy political gig for his son at taxpayer expense.

"I had a meeting with Ed Burke," she said at a news conference Wednesday. "He shared with me that his son was looking for a new opportunity."

That's so nice that Ed Burke's son gets an opportunity courtesy of Toni Preckwinkle.

Is this where I say, "Bye Felicia?" Burke is everywhere in this mayoral campaign. But I've already told you he's a walking intelligence operation, a spider in the middle of the web, connected to many through that phone of his.

And with the FBI listening in, who's on the Burke tapes?

This week Chicago learned that Ald. Danny Solis, 25th, chairman of the council's Zoning Committee, wore a wire for the feds on Burke, according to the Sun-Times.

What we don't know is what Danny Solis said to others, on his own phone, before he got himself pinched by the feds and wired up against Burke.

Or perhaps Solis volunteered to go after Burke? "No one will say," said a jokester over at the federal building. "Must be because Solis wanted to root out corruption, right?"

Yes, that's got to be it. Danny Solis wanted to be Hercules and cleanse Chicago of its stench.

More likely, he was caught doing something naughty, most likely involving money and clout at City Hall, and the feds offered him a deal:

Wire up on Burke or take your chances. Solis wired up.

Meanwhile, WBEZ's Dan Mihalopoulos is reporting something that Mendoza doesn't want to see in the papers:

That FBI mole Solis' 25th Ward organization gave Mendoza the largest contribution he's ever made: a whopping \$55,400 to Mendoza on

March 15. The same day, the radio station reports, Mendoza received \$45,200 from "companies whose board members are investors in a firm founded by Solis' sister Patti Doyle Solis and one of the alderman's long-time supporters Brian Hynes."

So here it is so far. Solis helps the feds get Burke, and the Solis family makes Mendoza happy.

Also, Burke takes care of Preckwinkle, and she takes care of Burke's son and Burke is happy.

Or at least they all were happy, until the FBI had to start investigating.

And what about Chico? Interesting fellow, smart, has the voice of a mayor, but he can't win.

It looks like he got in this race to block Mendoza and help Preckwinkle, and I'll speculate he probably asked Burke if running for mayor was a good idea.

Gery will angrily deny it, but it really doesn't matter.

I can't see him winning it. There are other mayoral candidates out there, too, those I call the pre-Rahmulans, like former schools' CEO Paul Vallas and former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot.

They're two of the candidates who had the real guts to get into the race before Rahm Emanuel chickened out.

Right now, the race is still close. In a crowded field, where the candidates with money and media buzz still haven't been able to separate themselves from the pack, voters are waiting.

"This is a good city," insists Waguespack. "Good people want change in Chicago. They know there are problems. But they want change."

If they want change, they'll have to do something about it.

Otherwise, the song remains the same.

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EVERYONE'S WRONG ABOUT THE COVINGTON BOYS. BUT I'M RIGHT!



REX W. HUPPKE

PLEASE STOP WHAT YOU'RE DOING. I have an opinion on something a group of high school boys did while on a trip to Washington, D.C., and you will soon see why my opinion is right and all other opinions are wrong.

It is imperative that you read my opinion RIGHT NOW, as this incident that others have given the wrong opinion on is ABSOLUTELY the most important thing happening in the world and my view on it is the one you have been waiting to read. Prepare to have the whole issue, which has something to do with a group of teen boys acting dumb and some other people doing other things, cleared up and put in the proper context.

This is highly consequential because it clearly involves an event that will be remembered in the annals of history as a turning point in the story of America.

Everything else you have read about this issue has been wrong, so please take the time to absorb my EXPERT and insightful interpretation of a thing I didn't see happen.

Thank you. Please pay attention.

What follows is the only view that matters, and it is my view, which is the correct one, and you should not read or consider any other views relating to this incident, which is of paramount importance to America and the world and quite possibly other worlds that have yet to be discovered.

This momentous story involves teens. Teens behaving stupidly and disrespectfully, which is something that has never happened before, which is why this whole thing is such a massively big deal worthy of hundreds of thousands of opinions (all wrong) and my opinion (the correct one).

It also involves two other groups of people. One is a group that a lot of people like and another is a group that literally nobody likes or even understands. This story also involves hats, which are



SURVIVAL MEDIA AGENCY

A still from video shows a teenager wearing a "Make America Great Again" hat facing a Native American singing and playing a drum on Friday.

inherently controversial. (For the definitive opinion on hats, please see my next column, which will be called: "The Definitive Opinion on Hats.")

While there are allegedly other weighty things happening in America right now, this hat/teen/other people situation is ALL we should pay attention to for the foreseeable future and is definitely not an idiotic distraction.

Based on my expert reporting — which involved getting on the internet and watching approximately 8,000 different video angles of high school boys doing dumb, disrespectful things in the vicinity of two other groups, one of which was also doing dumb, disrespectful things — I can tell you that something happened. And that something that happened is really the heart of the matter, which I will get to momentarily after first excoriating anyone who might be inclined to disagree with my upcoming opinion, which, as previously mentioned, is the correct one.

All other opinion-havers are making fundamental mistakes when it comes to opinionizing this incident, an incident that is of the utmost importance to the future of humanity and is not being at all overblown. For example, all prior (wrong) opinions have either been shameful rushes to judgment or biased interpretations based on the opinion-spouter's preferred narrative. Shame on all who have opined on this topic, except for me. Those whose opinions are not mine are the real problem in this country.

With that said, let me now offer the CORRECT opinion about the incident involving nitwitted teen boys and two other groups and some hats that transpired in a place where I wasn't.

Clearly, the conflict at this confluence of cultures is emblematic of all the problems wrought by the people I disagree with and the struggles that the people I agree with face day in and day out in an America that is either changing or refusing to change,

depending on your point of view.

The bravery of the people who were there and who I choose to side with is an inspiration, while the behavior of those who were there and who I choose to dislike was, at best, dispiriting and, at worst, punishable by deportation to Mordor, the dark, evil realm in J. R. R. Tolkien's fictional world of Middle-earth.

(Anyone who disagrees with this view should also be deported to Mordor, along with those who might argue that you can't be deported to a place that doesn't exist.)

The primary things we, as a society, can take from this cataclysmic incident I did not witness are: There is only one logical interpretation of all that happened; there is no room for nuance or middle ground; and we must spend an enormous amount of time yelling at each other about this until absolutely nothing whatsoever has been resolved and we all hate each other more than we did when it all started.

You will undoubtedly read other opinions about this story in the days to come. Ignore them. They are all unequivocally wrong, misguided and infantile.

Mine is the only hot take you should read on the thing with the high school kids and the two other groups and the drum and the hats and the media and the president and racism and white privilege and liberal conspiracies and social media and every other thing that has been stirred into this particular cauldron.

I will devote my next column (the one after the one about hats) and every column thereafter (except for any additional hat-related columns that become necessary) to reiterating what I have written in this column. This is all I will write about from now on (aside from the aforementioned hat columns).

Nothing else matters. This is all that will ever define us.

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Chicago Tribune CHICAGOLAND

'The council needs full reform'

Aldermen react to report Solis wore FBI wire in Burke case

BY GREGORY PRATT
AND JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

Aldermen responded with shock Wednesday to a newspaper report that veteran Ald. Daniel Solis has been cooperating with federal authorities, some directing anger at him while others condemned City Hall culture and said the revelation must act as a clarion call for reform.

In a City Council that's no stranger to federal investigations, it was nonetheless stunning for many of Solis' colleagues to hear the powerful chairman of the Zoning Committee was possibly wearing a wire in the federal case against Ald. Edward Burke. They were reacting to a Sun-Times story that said Solis secretly recorded conversations with Burke, whom federal authorities charged earlier this month with attempted extortion.

One longtime colleague of Solis' said she might cry about his wearing a wire because "you don't do that." Another alderman said that in his Southwest Side ward, "if you wear a wire someone's going to kick your ass."

Solis has not been accused of wrongdoing and previously told the Tribune he wasn't working with federal authorities to try to build cases against any of his council colleagues. He was unable to be reached for comment Wednesday.

Still, some called it a betrayal.

Burke, asked about Solis reportedly wearing a wire against him, said, "I have done nothing wrong, and anything that Ald. Solis recorded, if he did, isn't going to make any difference."

Black Caucus Chairman Ald. Roderick Sawyer, 6th, said he wouldn't wear a wire against fellow council members. Sawyer said the situation could cause distrust, with aldermen thinking twice when dealing with their colleagues.

"You would like to think someone would just take their punishment like they should take their punishment and not try to spread it to other people. It could be entrapment. It could be ensnaring somebody in something they would not normally do," Sawyer said.

Ald. Susan Sadlowski Garza, 10th, said she was dismayed by the story about Burke and Solis. "I come from a world where we work together side by side," Garza said. "I just never expected that, I really didn't. We're supposed to be colleagues."

Ald. Michelle Harris, 8th, said the news left her "stunned" and "a little uncomfortable."

"I do want to say that typically we respect each other, we work together, we're a partnership," Harris said. "I don't know any of the details about the what, when or why, just that he did it."

And Ald. Scott Waguespack, 32nd, the Progressive Caucus chairman, said the issues around Burke and Solis illustrate the need for fundamental changes in the City Council.

"We really just need to boil this down to, the council needs full reform," Waguespack said. "I don't care what those two went after each other on, but it's obviously something so bad that the council can no longer wait for reforms we've been pushing. Everybody needs to get on board with that right now, including the mayor."

Waguespack said the city should halt the creation of a controversial tax increment financing district Mayor Rahm Emanuel

wants for the Lincoln Yards development. In a statement, Waguespack said that given allegations of City Council corruption, "we must table the proposed mega TIF deal at Lincoln Yards until we are able to be sure that the project has not been tainted."

Ald. John Arena, 45th, said the City Council needs to review its operations.

"We need to put the brakes on a whole lot of things and take a really close look at what's been going on in this building," Arena said.

Hispanic Caucus Chairman Ald. Gilbert Villegas, 36th, said Solis should resign immediately. And given that the city has hired a firm to audit the workers' compensation program that was long under Burke's control, Villegas said the city should also review other decisions.

"There's a new council coming in, might as well have everyone with a clean slate," Villegas said.

Ald. James Cappleman, 46th, is the Zoning Committee vice chairman. He took over Solis' duties Wednesday. Cappleman said he hasn't heard talk of Solis resigning. If Solis does, Cappleman would chair the committee for the next three months under council rules.

Veteran Ald. Joe Moore, 49th, put the the criminal case against Burke and the Solis allegation in a historical context, saying it's "turning out to be the biggest scandal affecting the City Council since Silver Shovel," a 1990s corruption probe that ultimately led to indictments against six aldermen.

"It's just evidence that some of my colleagues never learn," Moore said.

Others were focused more on the act of Solis allegedly wearing a wire. "Where I come from, if you wear a wire someone's going to kick your ass," said Far Southwest Side Ald. Matt O'Shea, 19th, who represents the Beverly and Mount Greenwood neighborhoods.

Ald. Carrie Austin, 34th, who's been on the council with Solis for more than two decades, said she didn't want to talk about Solis "because I might cry." Asked why she might cry, Austin responded, "You don't do that, you just don't."

And Ald. George Cardenas, 12th, a close City Hall colleague of Solis, said he had heard rumors that Solis may have worn a wire, but said he typically ignores such talk. He said he had not spoken with Solis about the matter, and the news came as a "shock."

"Geez. I mean, what is the world coming to?" he said, when asked for his reaction to an alderman wearing a wire on another.

"It's visceral," Cardenas said of his reaction and that of his colleagues. "It's pretty upsetting."

Noting his military background, Cardenas said he expects he will be "honorably discharged" when he chooses to leave the council, and not under a cloud or wearing a wire. Asked whether he felt betrayed given his relationship with Solis, Cardenas responded, "I feel disappointed."

On whether he's worried Solis recorded him, Cardenas said, "I always remember the quote from (Franklin) Roosevelt, you have nothing to fear but fear itself. If you've done nothing wrong and you grind it out like many of us do, there's nothing to worry about."

Emanuel had little reaction to Wednesday's developments when he was asked during his post-City



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Ald. Daniel Solis, 25th, center, and Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, chat with before Chicago City Council hearings in 2013.

"I don't care what those two went after each other on, but it's obviously something so bad that the council can no longer wait for reforms we've been pushing."

— Ald. Scott Waguespack, 32nd

Council news conference whether he expected Solis to resign and what he thought of an alderman taping the conversations of a City Council colleague.

"Ald. Solis is not running for re-election. Between now and the next reorganization of the City Council, which will happen May 20, he's going to serve his constituents, and he's made a decision not to seek re-election," Emanuel said. "Him wearing a ... or cooperating with the U.S. attorney, that's a decision he's made."

The furor over Solis couldn't stop the political wheels from turning at City Hall with mayoral and aldermanic elections coming up Feb. 26.

Burke said he's concentrating on re-election in spite of the federal attempted extortion charge he faces for allegedly pressuring restaurant executives looking to renovate a Burger King in his ward to steer work toward his law firm in exchange for help with a permit.

After the City Council adjourned its meeting Wednesday afternoon, Burke had a police escort to help him push his way through the scrum of reporters that greeted him as he left the chamber.

Asked if he would keep trying for a full 13th term amid talk he might drop out of the campaign, Burke was unequivocal. "I'm not only going to stay in the race, I'm going to win."

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Records show what FBI sought and seized in raid

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

When the FBI raided Ald. Edward Burke's City Hall office in November, agents seized folders naming a well-connected City Hall lobbyist, information about tax increment financing districts and documents pertaining to the major real-estate deal for the Old Main Post Office, according to records made public Wednesday night.

The documents released to the Chicago Tribune in response to a public records request to the City Council's Finance Committee include the seven-page warrant listing the items the FBI was seeking as well as a handwritten list of items agents left with hours later.

While the records do not include the affidavit attached to the search warrant — which likely contained detailed information about the underlying investigation — they do add new insight into the scope of what agents were seeking when they went to City Hall on Nov. 29 and covered the windows of Burke's office with brown butcher paper.

Among the items sought were documents and communications concerning Burke's "efforts to obtain employment, patronage jobs, or other benefits for his personal associates" in exchange for his official duties as alderman and chairman of the Finance Committee, according to the records.

Agents were looking for any evidence of "referral fees, fee-splitting, fee-sharing, and consulting agreements" involving Burke's law firm, Klafner & Burke, the records show. They also demanded contact information and the work locations of all of Burke's employees.

The haul removed by agents that day included a Rolodex, a personal phone book and numerous computer towers, hard drives and thumb drives, the records show. Other items taken were labeled by the FBI as checks to or from Burke's law firm; TIF files from Burke's 14th Ward; an unidentified résumé; "Water Commissioner docu-

ments" and something labeled "Old Main Post Office file." Agents also seized a file related to Perry Mandera, a strip club owner and trucking executive who recently opened a medical marijuana dispensary, the records show.

The records gave an indication of the scope of the broader investigation — nine undisclosed individuals and 14 entities are referred to without explanation.

Two folders taken by agents concerned Brian Hynes — an apparent reference to the longtime lobbyist and lawyer with deep connections to House Speaker Michael Madigan. Hynes grew up near Madigan on the Southwest Side, and later worked on Madigan's staff, according to a profile of him in Crain's 40 Under 40 list.

Hynes was a registered lobbyist for the city in 2011, 2012 and 2013, according to Chicago Board of Ethics records. State records show he was also a registered state lobbyist from 2010 to 2017.

Hynes also co-founded Vendor Assistance Program LLC along with Patti Solis Doyle, a sister of Ald. Daniel Solis, who the Sun-Times reported wore a wire for the FBI as part of an investigation into Burke. She no longer has an interest in the company.

Hynes could not be reached for comment late Wednesday.

At a public forum for 14th Ward candidates, Burke did not respond to questions about Hynes. Burke is seeking re-election despite the federal charges against him.

Burke, 75, was charged earlier this month with attempted extortion. The criminal complaint accused him of using his position as alderman to threaten to shut down the renovation of a Burger King at 40th Street and Pulaski Road unless executives for the company that owned the franchise hired Klafner & Burke to handle tax appeals for dozens of its restaurant sites in the Chicago area.

The complaint also alleges that Burke pressured one of the company's executives in December 2017 to

contribute to the campaign of an unnamed local politician. Sources identified the politician as Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, who is running for Chicago mayor.

While the allegations have a familiar ring, the details in the 37-page complaint hint that it could be the tip of the iceberg for Burke. According to the complaint, the FBI had won a judge's approval to wiretap Burke's cellphone and was already recording his calls before the alleged shakedown at the center of the charge began to unfold in May 2017. It's unknown what other evidence federal prosecutors presented in the application for the wiretap because that filing is under seal.

The complaint quotes Burke in a handful of conversations from May 2017 to January 2018 talking in surprisingly blunt language about the alleged extortion of the out-of-state businessmen, whom the alderman did not know well.

Agents were listening in as the powerful Finance Committee chairman allegedly talked about extorting two executives seeking to renovate a fast-food restaurant in Burke's ward. When the businessmen didn't seem to be cooperating, Burke plotted with a ward staffer on how to play "hard ball," holding up permits and sending a city worker to the site to harass them with unwarranted citations, according to the charges.

In all, 9,475 calls were made or received on Burke's phone during the eight-month time frame of the alleged scheme, the complaint showed.

Burke, free on a \$10,000 unsecured bond, has yet to enter a plea, but his attorney, Charles Sklarsky, has said the allegations were meritless.

Federal prosecutors recently were granted a 90-day extension to file an indictment in the case. The new deadline is May 3.

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Ill. to back loans for federal staff hit by shutdown

State will invest up to \$100M in banks that agree to loans

BY MIKE RIOPELL
Chicago Tribune

Gov. J.B. Pritzker on Wednesday announced that Illinois will move up to \$100 million in state investments to banks and credit unions to back low-interest loans for federal workers, joining national Democrats in blaming Republican President Donald Trump for the ongoing government shutdown.

The announcement made with Treasurer Mike Frerichs comes as thousands of public employees soon will miss a second paycheck if Trump and congressional Democrats don't reach an agreement to end



Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker speaks with Treasurer Michael Frerichs at the Capitol in Springfield on Wednesday.

the shutdown soon.

"As the president brings the federal government to a

standstill, trying to thwart democratic processes and force through a divisive and

ineffective agenda, too many hardworking Illinoisans are paying a direct price," Pritzker said.

Under the plan, the state would send up to \$100 million of its \$12 billion in investments to financial institutions that agree to extend low-interest loans to federal workers who are not being paid, Frerichs said. Terms of the loans would be set by the banks and credit unions, and they would determine who is eligible. The banks, not the state, would be on the hook if borrowers default.

The U.S. Senate could vote Thursday on competing proposals to end the shutdown, but Democrats and Republicans haven't agreed to a plan to resolve the impasse as Trump pushes for billions of dollars to build a border wall.

"BUILD A WALL & CRIME WILL FALL!" Trump tweeted Wednesday morning. "This is the new theme, for two years until the Wall is finished (under construction now), of the Republican Party. Use it and pray!"

Democrats, meanwhile, have sought to put the shutdown blame squarely on the president, who shortly before it started said he would be "proud to shut down the government for border security."

"I have visited this week with air traffic controllers, federal prison guards, and other federal employees who are the victims of the President's shutdown," Democratic U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin said in a statement Tuesday. "There is no reason why these essential federal employees should

continue to suffer while politicians in Washington bargain a compromise on border security."

Pritzker on Wednesday also signed an executive order to join the U.S. Climate Alliance, another dig at Trump, who pulled the U.S. from the Paris climate agreement. The new governor's move was the latest in a string of executive orders aimed at distinguishing himself from former Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner.

Frerichs launched a similar low-interest loan plan in 2015 at the beginning of the state's two-year budget stalemate, but court decisions ensured that state employees didn't miss paychecks in that case.

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53-year-old discrimination case settled

Judge approves settlement agreement to end country's longest-running litigation

BY LOLLY BOWEAN
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A federal judge has formally approved a settlement agreement that ultimately will bring an end to the longest-running housing discrimination case in the country, officials said.

By approving the settlement, U.S. District Judge Marvin Aspen has agreed to allow the Chicago Housing Authority to take a series of steps to bring the 53-year-old case to a close by July 2024.

And while the settlement does not mean that all discrimination issues faced by lower-income, African-American residents that depend on CHA are resolved, the move marks an end to the costly litigation and acknowledges strides the agency has made.

The Gautreaux case was a class-action lawsuit that was brought on behalf of a public housing resident and community organizer, Dorothy Gautreaux. The lawsuit sought to end systemic racial discrimination by CHA, which at the time was accused of concentrating poor, black residents in high-rises in certain communities while limiting their access to housing in better resourced, white communities.

The case went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, which sided with the residents and determined that they were being isolated to specific neighborhoods.

The lawsuit spurred CHA to build and renovate scattered-site housing throughout the city. It also paved the way for the housing choice program, which issues vouchers that allow clients to select rental units in the neighborhoods they prefer.

Today, there are voucher

"There was a neighborhood here and public housing there. We stopped all that."

— Eugene Jones, CHA's chief executive

holders in all 77 communities in Chicago, said CHA's chief executive, Eugene Jones. He said through creating mixed-income apartment complexes and using some of the agency's land to develop amenities like grocery stores and library facilities, it has integrated residents living in subsidized housing with those who are paying market prices.

"Every one of the public housing residents wanted their own gym, their own auditoriums, their own schools. They were alienated from the neighborhood," Jones said in an interview last week. "There was a neighborhood here and public housing there. We stopped all that. Now, it's all merged together so they are getting the same amenities as the community. They are a part of the community."

Aspen's decision comes about a week after a public hearing during which nearly a dozen current CHA residents argued that it wasn't time to end the suit.

Because housing vouchers require units to be inspected and are limited in their cash value, voucher holders often face discrimination in the private market, residents told the judge. Most can't afford to use their vouchers in affluent communities and still end



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Residents look out from a Cabrini-Green public housing high-rise in July 1970. A U.S. Supreme Court decision led to a housing revolution that included the razing of the notorious complex and others like it.

up concentrated in poorer neighborhoods.

In addition, critics argued that the lead attorney, Alex Polikoff, and the non-profit advocacy firm Business and Professional People for the Public Interest, earned millions from CHA through fees related to the

case and by providing consulting and assisting on projects.

At the court hearing, Aspen listened to about two hours of testimony. He filed his order on Wednesday morning.

Under the settlement, CHA has promised to con-

tinue developing scattered site housing; engage in discussions on how to improve the voucher mobility program; provide a detailed schedule to complete mixed-income housing complexes; and create early learning childhood development programs at four

existing public housing developments.

If CHA fails to deliver on its promises, the case could return to court. The settlement can also be challenged in court, officials said.

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Boo, world's cutest dog that kept us sane, is gone



DAHLEEN GLANTON

Boo, better known as "the world's cutest dog," has died. That might not mean anything to most of you, but for many of his 16 million Facebook followers, he was the one thing that kept us sane.

During these angry times in our world, Boo helped us to find contentment. When we felt like crying, we could go to his Facebook page and find a reason to smile. And when his diverse group of followers was sure we had nothing in common with each other, we could depend on Boo to show us that we were more alike than we were different.

The 12-year-old Pomeranian died in his sleep on Friday. The news spread

quickly through major publications, including People magazine and the New York Post, as well as CNN and other television network websites.

Boo had countless famous friends and was an international celebrity in his own right. He'd appeared twice on "Good Morning America." Virgin America Airlines appointed the miniature dog with a signature fluffy head and teddy bearlike persona as its pet ambassador. He was the subject of two published picture books and was a tremendous fundraiser for a couple of his favorite charities.

But in announcing his death on Facebook, Boo's "human" — the name used to refer to his owner — spoke of the important role he played in the lives of ordinary people.

"I've received so many notes over the years from people sharing stories of how Boo brightened their days and helped bring a

little light to their lives during difficult times. And that was really the purpose of all this," she wrote in a Facebook post.

"Boo brought joy to people all over the world. Boo is the happiest dog I've ever met. He was so easy going that we never had to bother with training. He made the manliest of men squeal with delight over his cuteness and made everyone laugh with his quirky, tail wagging personality."

Following animals on social media isn't just a cute trend anymore. For many of us, it has become a passion. We use their adorable pictures, clever videos and entertaining antics as a reprieve from the ugliness that is going on all around us.

I loved seeing him model his latest pastel-colored hoodie, his Santa suit for Christmas or sunglasses and a hot-pink tutu on Halloween. Boo was a huge Cubs fan too. His "human"

used to live in suburban Chicago before settling in San Francisco.

Boo and his big brother, best friend and constant companion, Buddy, gave us lots of reasons to smile over the past 10 years. After Buddy's death last year, we'd noticed subtle changes in Boo. The posts became less frequent, and when pictures were posted, he seemed to be so sad. Often, he just slept.

Those of us who loved Boo are convinced that he died of a broken heart. His human seems to think so too. She suggested that Buddy would be the first to greet him on the other side of the rainbow. Shortly after Buddy died, Boo began showing signs of heart issues.

"We think his heart literally broke when Buddy left us," she posted. "He hung on and gave us over a year. But it looks like it was his time, and I'm sure it was a most joyous moment for



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Boo, aka "the world's cutest dog."

them when they saw each other in heaven."

There are plenty of social media dogs out there to follow. I've already connected with three of them. But Boo will always be our first love.

Hopefully, the others can

also give us a reason to believe in goodness and help restore our hope in humanity — just as Boo did.

That's what dogs were put here to do.

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'Big city reporter. Champion for odd causes. Delightful company'

Longtime writer and editor Pat Colander has died



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

I always say I fell in love with a newsroom before I fell in love with newspapering.

From the moment I walked into my college newsroom (on the suggestion of my freshman English professor), I loved the characters: loud, frank, hilarious oddballs — no time or patience for putting on airs.

Every newsroom I've been in post-college has been a grown-up version of that Eastern Illinois University newsroom — still loud, still frank, still hilarious. Also fearless.

My first real newspaper job was at The Times in Munster, Ind., in 1996, and one of my favorite characters there was Pat Colander, an editor and writer who seemed, to my young eyes, to know everyone and everything and had even written a book. (Swoon.)

She had a shock of white-blond hair and super chic black-framed glasses and an infectious laugh and an endless stream of stories. She also appeared, to my young eyes, to fear no one and no thing.

Colander died this week from cancer. She was 66.

"My earliest memories of my mom are her telling me all kinds of stories," Ida Ansell, Colander's daughter, told me. "People she knew, stories about her family, as I got older, stories from her younger life. That's what she loved to do."

I talked to Ida Ansell, 32, and Charles Ansell, 37, Colander's two children,



Pat Colander poses in dune grasses on Lake Michigan behind her home in the Miller Beach section of Gary, Ind.

Tuesday night. They talked about spending hours of their childhood in the newsroom with their mom, watching the news unfold, watching their mom steer the coverage of it, smelling the newsprint.

As a teenager, Charles Ansell used to hop a ride to the newsroom after school with one of the sports editors and help import scores and statistics.

They watched her at work, and they watched her work inform the way she went through the world.

"The thing about being a writer as your trade is you're going to be much more transparent and public than most people," Charles Ansell said.

"We always knew exactly how she felt about certain family members or friends," Ida Ansell said. "She was always very open with us."

I told them I thought that seemed like a gift, maybe a rare one: a mom who lets you in not just her heart, but in her head, in on

her thoughts and ideas and opinions and work.

They agreed. "She was incredible," Ida Ansell said. "She was gifted. She was talented. She was very memorable. I heard that throughout my whole life."

I asked them if anything scared their mom.

"I want to say yes," Charles Ansell said. "I'm just trying to think of it."

"If anything, maybe failure," Ida Ansell said. "Just because success meant so much to her."

Colander grew up on the South Side of Chicago and graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in 1970. She studied journalism at the University of Illinois.

Colander worked as an editor and writer at The Times from 1992 through 2000, and again from 2005 through 2016 as the editor of the newspaper's Shore magazine. She wrote several books, including "Thin Air: The Life and Mysterious Disappearance of Helen Brach," published in

1982, and "Hugh Hefner's First Funeral and Other True Tales of Love and Death in Chicago," which won a Chicago Writers Association Book of the Year Award in 2016.

Before The Times, Colander did writing and editing stints at the Chicago Reader and the Chicago Tribune.

Matt Mansfield, a visiting professor at Northwestern's Medill School of Journalism and a former editor at the Times, shared this on Facebook when I asked old colleagues for memories about Colander.

"I admired her experience," he wrote. "Big city reporter. Champion for odd causes. Delightful company. She really had stories.... I think that's what made Pat such a cool colleague in the crazy newsroom of our youth — those stories. She seemed to have one for every occasion. Corrupt mayors? Please, that's old hat. An heiress disappears? Tell me something new. It seemed like she'd been there, done that and had the wildest memories to back it all up."

"It was just fun to listen to her after deadline," he continued, "pulling out memory after memory of a Chicago scene I think we were all anxious to join. Except maybe that one, the nostalgic one, was already gone by then. Didn't matter. We had Pat."

Early in my career, especially, I needed her example. A woman in a newsroom dominated by men — telling her stories, knowing they mattered, knowing she mattered, laughing, enjoying her work, excelling at her work.

I'm grateful I knew her.

Services for Pat Colander will take place 10 a.m. Friday at St. Mary of the Lake, 6060 Miller Ave. in Gary, Ind.

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RIVERSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Riverside police said they stopped the driver of this car whose hood was completely blocking his windshield.

Cops: DUI for man who drove car with hood up

Chicago Tribune

A man from Lyons was arrested early Saturday after he was seen driving through Riverside with the hood of his car up and completely blocking his windshield, police said.

Marley Aleman, 24, was charged with drunken driving, transportation of open alcohol, improper operation of a motor vehicle and driving off the roadway, according to a news release from Riverside police.

A snowplow driver clearing roadways during a snowstorm notified police about 3:10 a.m. that he had seen a car being driven with its hood up and bouncing off curbs at Forest Avenue and Kimbark Road in the western suburb, according to the release.

A police officer soon spotted the vehicle, a 2002 Honda with heavy front-end damage from a previous crash. It was still bouncing off curbs and leaving the roadway with the hood up, police said.

The vehicle was stopped at 31st Street and First Avenue and, according to the news release, Aleman, who appeared to be intoxicated, "literally fell to the ground" when he was asked to get out of

the car, police said.

Aleman became combative and failed sobriety tests, police said. He was taken to the police station and was verbally abusive and uncooperative, police said. Police were not able to book him until 10 a.m.

because of his intoxication level, according to the news release.

Riverside police are still investigating how the car became damaged in the first place, according to Riverside police Chief Tom Weitzel. Police have asked neighboring towns whether they have heard of any hit-and-run crashes that might have involved Aleman's vehicle, but as of Wednesday morning they had not.

"This is one of the most egregious drunk driving arrests our agency has ever made," Weitzel said. "This individual was highly intoxicated, driving down a major roadway with the hood completely up from a previous accident and his vision was totally obscured. He continued to drive on First Avenue and could have easily killed himself or others. The fact that he continued to drive with the hood up just demonstrates the clear severe impairment that Mr. Aleman was under."



Aleman

Hinsdale to pilot remote learning from home

BY KIMBERLY FORNEK
Pioneer Press

Working from home is typically an adult job perk, but Hinsdale High School District 86 is looking at a way for its students to take a new step in 21st century education through what's being called "remote learning."

District administrators are proposing that for six days in the 2019/2020 school year, students spend half the day at school and half working remotely from home with their Chromebooks.

The students would be in the classroom with their teachers in the morning and then go home to either complete assignments that relate to the morning lessons or prepare them for the next day's lessons. The assignments for each class should take between 15 and 25 minutes to complete, said Carol Baker, District 86's assistant superintendent for academics.

"One of the things we hope this will do in small ways is prepare kids for what they will see when they go to college," Baker said. "They will be responsible for attending classes in the morning and doing work on their own for much of the rest of the day."

Teachers would spend the afternoon of those six days at school working on aligning the curriculum and assessments at Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South high schools, a priority for the school board, or other professional development, Baker said.

The Illinois School Code no longer requires a minimum of five hours of classroom instruction for a day to count as a full school day, Baker said.

In its guidelines for public school calendars, the Illinois State Board of Education states that "the local school board and collective bargaining unit defines an instructional day for the local district and determines the length of the school day to be counted toward the required 176 instructional days,"

meaning "attendance can be counted when a student is participating in learning anywhere and anytime."

Baker also suggests that when emergencies such as heavy snows or health hazards cause the district to close schools, students might be able to work remotely from home.

Currently, if school is canceled due to bad weather, the students and staff get the day off but have to make up the day later.

Teachers now have another option, with the full implementation of the district's 1:1 computers, in which every student has a Chromebook to use in class and take home each day, district officials said.

Students would check in via Google and complete assigned work they would have to turn in.

District administrators recommend a practice run of remote learning take place on April 9 and 10, when most students will take the SAT or the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) and their school day would be irregular anyway.

The lengths of the tests vary and students complete them at different times, which presents logistical challenges for the staff.

District administrators propose on April 9, when juniors come to school to take the SAT test, freshmen and sophomores would stay home and do their schoolwork remotely. Seniors already are scheduled to have no school April 9.

On April 10, freshmen and sophomores will come to school to take the PSAT. Juniors and seniors would stay home and complete lessons remotely, which the district is calling an "eLearning day."

Having a pilot program April 9 and 10 will allow the district time to address problems and complications.

"We will be able to get some feedback from students and parents as well," Baker said. "We are taking it step by step as much as we possibly can."

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Ph.D. student thought of others 'killed in their cars'

BY GENEVIEVE BOOKWALTER
Pioneer Press

More than three years after then-Northwestern University doctoral student Lawrence Crosby was accused of stealing what turned out to be his own car, the 28-year-old said he's moving forward with repairing his reputation and teaching others about the consequences of implicit racial bias.

A \$1.25 million settlement between Crosby, the city of Evanston and four individual police officers is scheduled for approval by the Evanston City Council Jan. 28. Attorneys for Crosby confirmed the settlement amount. Evanston City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz confirmed a settlement had been reached, but declined to provide the amount.

"I didn't know about implicit bias either until I'd gone through this," Crosby said Tuesday by phone. "I would like to bring attention to the issue of implicit bias and how it can influence people's decision making, in particular important decisions. Especially with someone whose life hangs in the balance."

Crosby's situation began in October 2015 when a white woman called police and told them she was watching a black man steal a car. She followed him in her own car, telling dispatchers of Crosby's location. It turned out that Crosby was making a repair to his own car before he drove away.

An engineering doctoral candidate at Northwestern University, Crosby was driving from his apartment to the science building on campus when police arrested him, according to his attorney, Timothy Touhy.

In her 911 call to police, the woman acknowledges that she may have made a

mistake by calling the police on Crosby and, if that was the case, asked officers to apologize for her.

Crosby said that call changed his life.

"Getting stopped by the police for what was very clear to me wasn't a normal traffic stop because there were at least four or five police cars, that told me there was something more serious," Crosby said. "I thought of all these other incidents I heard of in the media, black men and women who had been shot and killed in their cars."

In the moment, Crosby said he wondered if he might be next.

He got out of his car with his hands up, which can be seen on dash-cam video of the incident. Officers approached Crosby with guns drawn. Police ordered Crosby to get down and when he did not quickly comply, a group of officers rushed him and brought him to the ground. Crosby said that officers hit and kned him.

A video of the arrest was released Jan. 11, 2017, by Evanston police includes dashboard camera recordings from both an Evanston police car and a camera that Crosby had installed on his own dashboard. Crosby said he had the camera to help determine liability in case of an accident for insurance purposes.

At the time, an Evanston Police Department spokesman said the use of force by police was justified as officers were responding to what they thought was an auto theft. The spokesman said officers delivered knee strikes and open-handed strikes to major muscle groups, as trained. He said Crosby later told officers the reason he hadn't im-



Crosby

mediately complied with their instructions was that he had been trying to move to the front of his car so that any ensuing interaction would be captured on his dashboard camera.

Crosby was arrested and charged with disobeying officers and resisting arrest, according to a police report, after officers learned the car belonged to him. A judge later dismissed the charges, according to Crosby's attorney.

Crosby's civil lawsuit, filed Oct. 11, 2016, in Cook County Circuit Court, cited false arrest and excessive force, and asked the city of Evanston and the arresting police officers to pay at least \$50,000 for "compensatory and punitive damages, fees, costs and such other relief."

Crosby said he realizes police officers have a difficult and stressful job. More than the traffic stop, though, he was bothered by the city's decision to press charges against him after officers realized that he owned the car and they'd made a mistake in pulling him over.

"Instead of apologizing when they had an opportunity to do that, when they ascertained that I was the owner of the vehicle, even that would have ended the rest of the night," Crosby said. "It would have been somewhat traumatic still, but the actions they took after that were the most egregious to me. They knew that I owned the car, they made a mistake, and they decided to persist in prosecuting these crimes that they knew I didn't commit."

If Crosby could talk to the woman who first reported him stealing a car, he said he would ask why she followed him in her car if she thought he was a dangerous crimi-

nal. "That just doesn't fit with the rest of it. It just doesn't make sense to me," Crosby said.

He also wondered why she didn't try to talk to him or get more information about the situation before calling police. Crosby said the woman was honking her horn at him and at first he thought there was something wrong with his car.

"I don't know. It's hard for me to give advice," Crosby said. "On one hand, if she really did think she saw an auto theft in progress, it should be in her right to report that. On the other hand, if she is unsure, you would think that she would not, that the doubt should be relayed."

"At the end of the day I guess she was cognizant that she at least was potentially engaging, she was cognizant that she was potentially influenced by implicit bias. Which is an ironic twist in this whole story," he said.

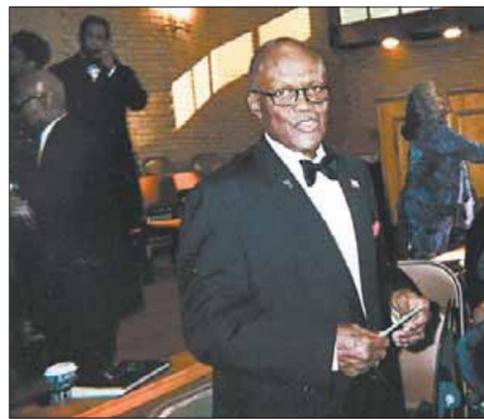
Experts describe implicit bias as attitudes or stereotypes that unconsciously influence an individual's actions or understanding of a person or situation.

Crosby said he's working now to mend his reputation, as he finds himself often defending his actions and explaining what happened following the case's national media spotlight. He's moved out of Evanston and declined to say what his future career plans will be.

Meanwhile, Crosby said, one of his first steps in addressing implicit bias is hosting a forum on the topic this spring for students and faculty at Stanford University where he earned his undergraduate degree.

"The goal at the end of the day is to have a conversation," Crosby said.

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Robert Boarde Green died Wednesday when he was struck at a South Side intersection, according to police.

Man fatally hit by car founded S. Side orchestra

BY WILLIAM LEE
Chicago Tribune

Lifelong Chicago resident Robert Boarde Green was remembered as a man who, in addition to his passion for music as a small orchestra flutist, held a variety of jobs to support his family.

Over the years, the Air Force veteran worked in the city's Department of Buildings and for the Chicago Park District, and also was a union printer, his family said.

Green, 82, a retiree living in the West Chesterfield neighborhood, died Tuesday when he was struck at a South Side intersection stopping to pick up some keys he had dropped in the middle of the road's walkway, according to Chicago police and his family. Relatives said Green co-founded one of the area's only all African-American chamber symphony orchestras.

Born in Chicago in 1936, Green attended Tilden Technical High School in the Canaryville neighborhood on the South Side. After graduating in 1955, he entered the Air Force, becoming an airman second class until he was honorably discharged in 1963, his family said.

Back in Chicago, Green worked as a union printer for Graphic Communications International Local 458, at the Department of

Buildings and for 22 years at the former American Banknote Co.

He and his wife raised three sons in West Chesterfield. One of them, Julian Green, is vice president for communications and community affairs with the Chicago Cubs.

Robert Boarde Green worked for the Chicago Park District between 1992 and 1995, and later taught music with Chicago Public Schools.

Green was a founding member of the Chatham Village Symphony Orchestra, which was established in 1974, according to his son Julian, who was a spokesman for former Mayor Richard M. Daley and former Sen. Barack Obama.

The fatal collision happened just before 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in the 8500 block of South Cottage Grove Avenue on the South Side, according to police. Green died of the multiple injuries he suffered in the collision and his death was ruled an accident, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office.

In addition to his son Julian, Green is survived by his wife, Hattie; sons Lawrence and Justin; and five grandchildren. Funeral services were being arranged by Leak & Sons Funeral Home in Chicago.

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Munoz approved to seek counseling in Ind.

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Ald. Ricardo Munoz returned to court Wednesday to face a misdemeanor domestic battery charge, winning approval from a judge to travel to Indiana to attend a counseling program.

At the brief hearing at Domestic Violence Court in the South Loop, Judge Callie Lynn Baird declined a request by Munoz's lawyer that the alderman be given back possession of a black Ford Explorer SUV now in his wife's hands.

Baird also extended an order of protection for Munoz's wife, Betty Torres-Munoz, until the next court hearing on Feb. 27.

The longtime 22nd Ward alderman was charged with the one misdemeanor count after a fight with his wife on New Year's Eve at their home.

Munoz, wearing blue jeans and a white dress shirt, shoved his cellphone into his back pocket and held his hands together behind his back during

Wednesday's hearing.

"State your name," the judge said.

"Ricardo Munoz," he said in a clear voice.

After the hearing, neither Munoz nor his lawyer, Richard Kling, would identify where the alderman planned to go for the counseling or the exact nature of the counseling.

Munoz has acknowledged a drinking problem in the past.

Torres-Munoz told reporters after the hearing that she had planned to serve her husband with divorce papers Wednesday but was unable to do so.

"Enough is enough," she said.

At a previous hearing, another judge had ordered that Munoz have no contact with his wife.

"No contact with Ms. Torres, not even nice contact," Circuit Judge Megan Goldish said earlier this month.



Munoz

Torres-Munoz had filed for an order of protection, alleging her husband "forcibly" grabbed and pushed her during a heated argument on New Year's Eve, causing her to fall and hit her back and head, as well as twist her left arm.

"Ricardo had been drinking all day + was drunk," she wrote in the filing. She said she feared "for my well-being."

In her order, the judge told the veteran alderman to not only stay away from his wife but also from their home, a dog named Rambo and his wife's downtown workplace — 118 N. Clark St. — the same government building where Munoz works.

Munoz, who was appointed to his seat by then-Mayor Richard M. Daley in 1993, is the city's longest-tenured Hispanic alderman. He announced in July that he would not seek re-election. At the time he said he was retiring because

he was "having fun writing the next chapter of my life."

A native of Monterrey, Mexico, Munoz has faced other controversies over the years. He acknowledged that he intervened to help a relative get into a prestigious city high school in 2009. And in 2008, his estranged father was sentenced to four years in prison for taking part in a fake ID ring.

The outgoing alderman also previously disclosed that as a teenager he had been affiliated with a Little Village gang and had been arrested on charges of unlawful use of weapons and controlled substances. Daley hailed Munoz, who rose to become then-Ald. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia's chief of staff, as a positive role model for youths.

In 2010, six months before the City Council election, Munoz said he was an alcoholic, admitting he drank excessively after work but not in the mornings and afternoons. He was re-elected twice after that.

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Plan to build 50 condos on antique mall site draws opposition

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A plan to build 50 condominiums in a five-story building on the site of the La Grange Antique Mall is drawing opposition from some community members.

The property includes 112 E. Burlington Ave., commonly known as the Jackson Storage Building or the Jackson Square Mall, and 5 S. Sixth Ave., occupied by the law offices of Faloon and Kenney.

"My first concern is that we not get rid of something that is a building that contributes aesthetically to our town," said Patti Ernst, a resident of La Grange since 1987.

The facade of Jackson Square Mall dates to 1923.

The owners of the property, DTLG Investors, are seeking zoning amendments to reduce the required lot

size and change the zoning from commercial to multi-family residential.

The property at 112 E. Burlington Ave. sits directly across the street from the BNSF railroad and is bordered on the east by a commercial district and the west by the downtown business district.

The proposal calls for the first floor of the building to house a parking garage and floors two through five will house the 50 condominiums.

Thirty of the condos would be two-bedroom and 20 would be three-bedroom. It also includes 83 parking spaces.

Benchmark prices, as listed by the developer, are \$302,400 for a 1,125-square-foot unit on the second floor, to \$649,000 for a three-bedroom, 2,291-square-foot unit on the fifth story.

The proposed devel-



DTLG INVESTMENTS LLC

The proposed condominium development would have a plaza facing Burlington Avenue.

opment building would abut the Burlington Building at 136 Burlington Ave. and would include a public plaza along Burlington Avenue.

Ernst said she had just found out about the proposal and is trying to get the word out.

"I want people to be aware of it," she said.

The La Grange Plan Commission took up the matter Jan. 8, but will continue discussion it at its meeting at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 12 at La Grange Village Hall, 53 S. La Grange Road.

"They requested the applicant to come back in February with revisions," Community Development

Director Charity Jones said.

The commission was concerned that some of the projects setbacks were too close to the property line. Some of the setbacks were definitely on the mind of one of the proposed project's neighbors.

"If they get the setbacks they are asking for, their

balconies would be 5 feet from our property," said Mary McDonald, who lives in a condominium at 11 S. Sixth Ave.

McDonald questioned the value of the traffic study produced by the petitioners.

A report prepared for the commission stated a traffic study found the development would not cause undue traffic congestion on the adjacent streets.

"I don't see how it wouldn't," McDonald said.

Ernst is primarily concerned with preserving a property she feels contributes to the sense of La Grange's architectural history.

"Why do people move to this town?" she said. "It's because it doesn't look like Oak Lawn. It doesn't look like Lake Countryside."

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Mayoral candidate Toni Preckwinkle holds a news conference at City Hall in Chicago on Wednesday.

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Department, which vetted and hired him. It was unclear what the vetting process entailed, and her representatives declined to elaborate.

At Wednesday's news conference, Preckwinkle did not answer directly when asked why she hadn't previously acknowledged talking with Burke about his son's employment.

"I had one or two meetings a year with Ald. Burke out of a thousand meetings," Preckwinkle said.

Preckwinkle said she learned of the misconduct allegations against Burke Jr. when she read about them in the Tribune and added her administration "had no access to the personnel files of the sheriff's office."

Burke didn't explain why his son was looking for another job, Preckwinkle said.

While acknowledging her conversation with Burke about his son, Preckwinkle attempted to distance herself from the veteran alderman, saying repeatedly that he was not her "ally."

Preckwinkle's ties to the embattled alderman have come under intense scrutiny amid his federal legal troubles and her mayoral candidacy. Earlier this month, federal prosecutors charged Ald. Burke with attempted extortion, alleging he tried to shake down two restaurant chain execu-

tives looking to remodel a Burger King in his ward.

The complaint also alleged Burke sought a campaign contribution to benefit a candidate that sources identified as Preckwinkle. She has not been accused of wrongdoing and has denied knowing about the alleged shakedown.

Preckwinkle has said she had "little contact and no relationship with the alderman" even though Burke hosted a fundraiser for her last January at his home that netted \$116,000. She has since said she would return the money raised at that fundraiser.

Earlier this month, the Tribune first reported that Preckwinkle hired Burke Jr. as training and exercise manager for the county's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department in December 2014, raising new questions about her relationship with the embattled alderman.

Then, on Wednesday, the Tribune reported that Burke Jr. was under internal investigation for allegedly making inappropriate sexual comments and lying about a supervisor at the sheriff's office when Preckwinkle's administration hired him.

One investigation began after a female sheriff's employee alleged that Burke Jr. was "consistently disrespectful of women," talked about sex acts and would leave the office by saying, "I'm leaving, going to watch

the girls on Rush Street," records show.

She also said Burke called himself "the law," claimed to have "tapes" that would "humiliate" Sheriff Tom Dart, vowed to run for sheriff and said he would fire a bunch of employees when he won, records show. A county memo included in the records dated after Burke Jr.'s resignation said the sheriff's Office of Professional Review did not get to interview Burke Jr. before he resigned and recommended no further action be taken in the matter.

A male lieutenant filed a separate complaint from a female employee against Burke Jr., claiming Burke Jr. made false allegations against the supervisor and had said publicly he had \$11 million for a sheriff's run.

The lieutenant quoted Burke Jr. saying that if anything happened to him as a result of his own complaint against the supervisor, "his father (Ald. Burke) would take care of it," according to the records.

For weeks, Preckwinkle's administration has declined to address written questions asking whether Preckwinkle spoke with Ald. Burke about the hire, and she walked away at an unrelated news conference while being asked about it.

Questioned at a recent Tribune Editorial Board forum for Chicago mayoral candidates about whether she talked to the alderman about a position for his son,

Preckwinkle said only that he joined her administration after doing a "similar" job at Dart's office.

In addition to the Burke charge, Preckwinkle has faced other high-profile problems since she announced her run for mayor months ago.

Preckwinkle, who is the Cook County Democratic Party chairwoman, fired her security chief in November amid the fallout of a county watchdog report that found a government SUV assigned to her security detail had been illegally used to transport campaign materials supporting her. The former security chief told the Tribune he had no idea who put the political materials inside the vehicle, but thought Preckwinkle unfairly ousted him to protect her political ambitions.

When she announced her candidacy for mayor on Sept. 20, Preckwinkle also misled the public about when she knew of sexual misconduct allegations against her former chief of staff whom she fired the day before. On the day she announced her run, Preckwinkle said she did not know about sexual harassment allegations against her top staffer before mid-September. The Tribune, however, later reported Preckwinkle knew of the concerns six months before she took action.

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CPS CEO Janice Jackson, seen with General Counsel Joe Moriarty, said a surge in abuse reports was expected.

CPS workers axed or barred

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since the district first disclosed receiving a staggering number of reports at a City Council hearing last year.

In all, that office has fielded more than 930 allegations since September, most of them involving reports of misconduct by students against other students. Officials said inappropriate touching, sexual harassment, inappropriate electronic communications involving students and sexual violence constituted the bulk of those reports.

The revelations show the widespread impact of new district processes that were put in place after the Tribune's 2018 "Betrayed" investigation, which documented broad lapses in the system's response to allegations of sexual misconduct. Allegations of student-on-student misconduct are now the responsibility of a new CPS Office of Student Protections and Title IX, while Schuler's office has taken charge of investigating adult-on-student misconduct cases.

The numbers presented Wednesday to the Chicago Board of Education are clear: Since the current school year began, CPS has confronted a rush of allegations and concerns about misconduct by both adults and students.

By contrast, the district has said its lawyers had investigated 430 reports that school employees had sexually abused, assaulted or harassed students during a nearly eight-year period stretching back to 2011.

"Although we just took this over, my sense is that this is an uptick from where we were before the 'Betrayed' series," Schuler told board members. "People are reporting more regularly. That's not to say everything is reported, so we need to be diligent about making sure we keep on top of making sure that everything that should be reported, is."

CPS CEO Janice Jackson and other district officials said they had expected a surge in abuse reports, in part because of heightened awareness by students, parents and educators about potential problems.

"We will continue to be as vigilant as possible in addressing them," Jackson said Wednesday.

"We have seen an increase in reports this year compared to years past. This was expected," CPS Deputy General Counsel Douglas Henning said. "As you increase awareness and education, you're going to see an increase in reports. This has been our experience, and we are glad that more students and staff are coming forward that have been victims, or suspect that misconduct has occurred."

Daniel Pollack, a professor at Yeshiva University in New York, credited the #MeToo movement with encouraging victims to come forward with their accounts. The fact CPS has created outlets for complaints, he said, was "very important."

"They are concerned about liability; the other (thing) is they want to give the appearance that we're on the case, we now have a mandate, we've been charged with doing this and we want to show everyone we're taking this seriously," said Pollack,

who examined the institutional responses to sexual abuse by former USA Gymnastics doctor Larry Nassar. "And they really want to do the right thing."

One-third of the 136 cases the IG's office handled since October concern allegations of outright sexual acts, sexual abuse, sexual comments, sexual communications or predatory behavior widely known as "grooming."

About half of the cases investigated by Schuler's team through Jan. 9 concerned what the IG described as perceived "creepy" and "concerning" conduct by adults that may not have been overtly sexual or violated any law or district policy.

District lawyers, human resources officials and other Jackson aides are weighing in on whether a school worker should be pulled from campus pending the outcome of an investigation into alleged improper behavior, Schuler said.

"Anytime there's a sexual act, sexual grooming, anything that's sexual, people are being pulled," Schuler told board members. "And then the discussions where we're spending a lot of time tend to focus on that other 'concerning behavior' category. In some cases, it's decided that I think we're erring on the side of caution and people are being pulled."

Employees who have been charged with criminal offenses include Julio Mora, 55, a CPS teacher at Cardenas Elementary who was arrested and charged with sexual abuse in a case that allegedly involved four teenage victims.

Jamel Helaire-Jones, 34, a basketball coach at the Legal Prep Charter Academy, was charged with sexually assaulting and molesting two underage female team members.

The district's new Title IX office investigates what CPS describes as the most serious or complex reports of sexual misconduct by students. Sixty-two percent of the 177 matters investigated by the student protection office since September were substantiated, officials said.

"Adult misconduct surely is not acceptable, and it's important to have heard about what's happening in that regard," Chicago Teachers Union President Jesse Sharkey told the board. "And holy crap, we have a lot of work to do on student behavior towards other students."

CPS on Wednesday offered no update on the total number of employees who have been ousted from their jobs at the district following an enormous review of worker backgrounds.

In November, CPS said nearly 130 of its employees had been fired, recommended for dismissal or simply resigned amid scrutiny of problematic information in their history.

More than 130 school volunteers also were dismissed or resigned under review, CPS said at the time. Hundreds of other coaches and volunteers were pulled from schools after background checks uncovered information that prompted a closer review of their history.

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Pritzker commits state to fighting warming

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keeping global temperatures below the threshold for potentially devastating effect from climate change. In fact, last year, even as coal plants were retired at a record pace, carbon emissions rose sharply from increased production at industrial sources and greater-than-normal energy use from buildings withstanding inclement weather, according to estimates from Rhodium Group, an independent research firm. The 3.4 percent spike marks the second largest rise in emissions in more than two decades.

On Wednesday, Pritzker became the first of three newly elected Midwestern Democratic governors to make good on his promise to join the Climate Alliance after Trump's rollbacks of Obama-era environmental regulations and attacks on climate science. If Michigan's Gretchen Whitmer and Wisconsin's Tony Evers follow suit, the additions of their states to the climate alliance would mean half the country's population was represented.

As politicians continue to spar over environmental regulation, scientists warn that policymakers have little more than a decade to stave off catastrophic climate change.

"Today we're here to make clear that this administration will stand on the side of science and of reason," Pritzker said at a morning news conference. "We know that climate change is real. We know there is a threat, and I think there's just no disputing it

anymore. And we know we must act."

"We're already experiencing the damaging effects of climate change, and the challenges we face require immediate action, and that's what we're doing today," he added.

Pritzker's move leaves no doubt where Illinois stands on climate change, an area of science that's become political in recent years.

His announcement comes one day after a new survey shows almost half of Americans are more convinced climate change is happening than they were five years ago, and their views have largely been shaped by extreme weather events that have killed thousands and cost the country hundreds of billions of dollars, according to survey data collected by the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago and The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

The polling occurred in November when the deadliest wildfire in California's history scorched more than 150,000 acres and claimed 86 lives.

A federal report released in November revealed that extreme heat, unpredictable water availability, among other things, could lead to significant losses in U.S. agricultural production, the biggest of which will be seen in the Midwest.

"When we think about climate change, the future is alarming," said Jen Walling, executive director of the Illinois Environmental Council. "I'm very alarmed by extreme weather events, by the changes that will happen in agriculture."

As it stands, 71 percent of Americans accept climate change is happening, according to the poll. Nineteen percent of the country remains uncertain. Climate change deniers are at 9 percent.

In Lyons Township in Cook County and York Township in DuPage County, propositions asked voters if U.S. representatives and senators should address the "serious threat posed by climate change," to which more than 75 percent in each township voted yes.

Perspective on climate change continues to be divided along party lines, the poll found. Among Democrats, 86 percent believe climate change is occurring as opposed to 52 percent of Republicans.

Wednesday's move to join the climate alliance was praised by a number of environmental advocates, including Jack Darin, director of the Illinois chapter of the Sierra Club, who stood by Pritzker for the signing ceremony.

"When it comes to climate change, Illinois' own scientists are already telling us change is already here and it's a real threat to our farmers, to our communities, to our public health and, most importantly, to our future that we want to pass on children," Darin said.

A number of states, counties and local governments have made lofty promises to get 100 percent of their energy from renewable or "clean" sources in the coming decades. In December, Evanston set a goal to achieve 100 percent renewable electricity for all properties by 2030.

On the campaign trail, Pritzker has said he wants to set Illinois on a path toward 100 percent "clean, renewable energy," an oath he reiterated Wednesday.

While renewable can only refer to energy collected from naturally replenished sources such as solar panels and wind turbines, "clean" energy has a looser definition. Some have considered natural gas a source of clean energy, given it produces 50 percent less carbon dioxide compared with coal.

Nuclear power has also been regarded as a clean source of energy, given nuclear reactors do not directly emit carbon dioxide. Illinois is home to 11 nuclear reactors — the most of any state — that produce about 50 percent of the state's energy. However, whether this nuclear power is part of Pritzker's 100 percent clean energy portfolio remains unclear.

To this point, environmentalists appear to be satisfied that the state has a new sense of direction.

"In the face of federal negligence, Illinoisans are looking to the state's elected leaders for bold action to avoid catastrophic climate change — like Gov. Pritzker's promise to put Illinois on a path to 100 percent clean energy," J.C. Kibbey, the Natural Resources Defense Council's Illinois clean energy advocate, said in a statement. "Today's announcement is a critical first step toward Illinois becoming a national leader on clean energy."

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Dems to unveil border security plan

Partial government shutdown continues as parties remain at odds over wall, solution

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WASHINGTON — House Democrats, feeling pressure to display their vision for border security, are preparing a package that would ignore President Donald Trump's demand for \$5.7 billion for a wall with Mexico and would instead pay for other ideas aimed at protecting the border.

As the government slogged through a record 33rd day of its partial shutdown Wednesday, details of Democrats' border security plan and its cost remained a work in progress. Party leaders said it would include money for scanning devices and other technological tools for improving security at ports of entry and along the border, plus funds for more border agents and immigration judges.

Democrats' movement toward producing a plan, which they said they expected to unveil this week, was significant because it underscored a growing uneasiness with letting Trump cast them as soft on border security. It came as the Senate prepared for Thursday votes on rival plans for reopening federal agencies and paying 800,000 federal workers who are just days away from missing yet another paycheck.

Republicans would couple ending the shutdown with financing Trump's wall

and revamping immigration laws, while Democrats would reopen agency doors for three weeks while bargainers seek a border security accord.

Both faced likely defeat, but that might spur the two sides into a more serious effort to strike a compromise when each saw it lacked the votes to prevail. Both proposals would need 60 votes to pass in a chamber with 53-47 Republican control.

Trump told reporters Wednesday that Democrats had become "radicalized" and "a very, very dangerous party," and he took personal aim at Congress' two top Democrats. He said Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer is "very strongly dominated" by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and called him "a puppet for Nancy Pelosi."

Schumer, D-N.Y., said the Senate GOP bill reopening government "embodies the president's temper tantrum. If you don't do it my way, I'm shutting down the government and hurting lots of people."

The GOP bill would temporarily protect from deportation 700,000 young migrants who arrived in the U.S. illegally as children. They've been shielded by the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, which Trump has tried terminating. He's also offered temporary protections for people who fled violence or natural



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Union members and furloughed federal workers rally at the Hart Senate Office Building on Capitol Hill on Wednesday.

disasters in several countries — a program Trump has also curtailed.

Democrats say Trump is merely offering to temporarily ease problems he himself caused. They've objected to other parts of the GOP bill that make it harder for Central American minors to gain asylum in the U.S.

Democratic leaders have insisted they won't negotiate with Trump on border security unless he reopens the government. Trump has said he'll end the shutdown

only if Congress provides money for the wall, though White House officials have indicated he's open to counteroffers.

Sen. James Lankford, R-Okla., has urged the White House to provide green cards to the 700,000 currently in DACA as a way to break the impasse. Lankford has mentioned this to White House adviser Jared Kushner, said a person familiar with the conversations who wasn't authorized to speak publicly.

With Democrats eager to

show they're trying to end the impasse, the House used mostly party-line votes Wednesday to approve one measure reopening government agencies through February. By a similar tally, the chamber voted to finance most shuttered agencies through September.

Growing numbers of Democrats say the party should show where it stands on border security. Their proposal is expected to exceed the \$1.6 billion Trump initially sought for the wall before upping his

request.

"If his \$5.7 billion is about border security, then we see ourselves fulfilling that request, only doing it with what I like to call using a smart wall," said No. 3 House Democratic leader Jim Clyburn, D-S.C.

"Right now it's a vacuum and the president is offering fake plans to stop drug smuggling," said Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore. Offering a Democratic alternative "helps the possibility of beginning a real negotiation," he said.

Trump losing support in heartland

Many who voted for him blame him for ongoing shutdown

By MATT VISER
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MACOMB COUNTY, Mich. — Two years ago, Jeff Daudert was fed up with politics. He wanted to shake up the status quo. He didn't mind sending a message to the establishment — and, frankly, he liked the idea of a disruptive president.

But the 49-year-old retired Navy reservist has had some second thoughts.

"What the (expletive) were we thinking?" he asked recently inside a Walmart in an area of suburban Detroit that helped deliver Trump the presidency.

While Trump's relationship with much of his base remains strong, two years after his inauguration, his ties are fraying with voters like Daudert, the kind who voted in droves for Trump in 2016 in key pockets throughout the industrial Midwest and flipped previously Democratic states to him. The shutdown, as it has played out for more than a month, is further eroding his support among voters who like the idea of beefing up border security, but not enough to close the government.

Many here, even those who still support Trump, say they hold him most responsible. They recite his comment from the Oval Office that he would be "proud to shut down the government."

When he said it, they listened. "It's silly, it's destructive," Daudert said, adding that all he knows about 2020 is that he won't be supporting Trump. "I was certainly for the anti-status quo. ... I'll be more status quo next time."

Far from the nation's capital and in an area not dominated by federal workers, the government shutdown is resonating in an unusual way. A trampoline park is giving government employees and their families an hour of free jumping. A local credit union is



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Bodhi Seed Yoga studio in Macomb County, Mich., is offering free classes to those affected by the government shutdown.

offering low-interest loans for furloughed employees who need to replace a lost salary.

Some local governments in the area are beginning to allow federal workers to defer property taxes, utility bills and parking tickets. Food drives are being discussed to help TSA workers at Detroit's airport, and a local yoga studio is offering free classes for federal employees.

"As a community it affects us because other people are being affected," said Jasmin Cromwell, who runs Bodhi Seed Yoga & Wellness Studio, "whether we know them or not. Maybe I'm getting too yoga-like, but we are all connected. It affects everyone. It affects us as a nation."

Recent polling indicates that the government shutdown has caused skittishness among parts of Trump's base, which has been one of the most enduring strengths of his presidency. A new NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist poll, conducted this month, found his net approval rating had dropped 7 points since December.

One of the biggest drops came from suburban men, whose approval rating of

Trump fell a net change of 18 percentage points, while evangelicals and Republicans also dipped by smaller margins. Among men without a college degree, the downward change was 7 points.

As Jeremiah Wilburn, a 45-year-old engineer, browsed the aisles at Walmart for new coveralls, he reflected on some of those shifts. After siding twice in the elections with former President Barack Obama, he decided to gamble with Trump in 2016. And for most of the past two years, he was pleased. The economy was humming, jobs were flowing and wages seemed stable.

Until now. "I was doing fine with him up until this government shutdown," he said. "It's ridiculous. You're not getting the wall built for \$5 billion. And Mexico is not paying for it, we all know that, too. Meanwhile, it's starting to turn people like me away."

He worries about the impact the shutdown will have on the economy. He's concerned about the impact on his brother, who works for the TSA in Florida.

To him, the shutdown standoff has also poked

holes in Trump's ability to say that he cares for the working class, given that 800,000 federal employees and additional contractors are going without paychecks.

"You can't expect people to come to work without getting paid," Wilburn said.

Macomb County, in the suburbs north of Detroit, has been a perennial political battleground and a place where the broad sweeps of American politics can be seen. It was the most Democratic suburb in the country when John F. Kennedy was elected president in 1960, and then it helped usher in the phrase "Reagan Democrats" when Ronald Reagan won the White House two decades later.

Obama won the county twice, and then Trump defeated Hillary Clinton by 12 points. The county is filled with the white working-class voters whose flip to Trump has been the most heralded part of his coalition. Trump came here during his campaign, and again in the final days before the 2016 election. He returned last year for a rally meant to pointedly spurn the White House Correspondents' Association dinner that same night. It's an area he has

continued to nurture.

But in the midterm elections, some of those voters started to peel away.

Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., carried the county by 2 points, and Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, a Democrat, won by 4 points. Whitmer ran a campaign that barely mentioned Trump, and instead promoted basic bipartisan governance, with the slogan: "Fix the Damn Roads."

The 2020 Democratic presidential primary is expected to include a heavy dose of debate over how to balance attempts at winning back white working-class voters.

That attempt at balance will also draw into question whether Democrats can find a way to articulate an immigration plan in areas where the issue resonates. Trump's insistence on building a border wall has hardened Democrats, whose most prominent policy now is to stop Trump's wall.

"People do want immigration managed," said Stan Greenberg, a Democratic pollster who has been studying Macomb County voters since the 1980s. "Trump makes it hard because he's so outrageous. You don't want to give him an inch. But immigration is still an

important issue, and Democrats will have to speak to it."

Trump faces a countering demand of his own, placating former supporters who saw the border wall as a stand-in for more security, and those who want his promise delivered.

Ken Janicki, a 66-year-old retired technology worker who voted for Trump, put it in blunt terms.

"I am all for border security, a full wall around this country," he said. "You come in legally, I'll welcome you to be my neighbor. But you come in illegally and I'll introduce you to my friend Smith and my other friend Wesson."

Erica McQueen, a 38-year-old from St. Claire Shores, voted for Trump and also has liked a lot of what he's done.

"But it gets overshadowed by the stunts he pulls," she said. The shutdown, she said, was one of them.

"The wall is getting out of hand," she said. "It's too much. It's ridiculous."

Like other onetime Trump supporters, she's now wondering if she can back him again.

"Something miraculous has to happen for me to vote for him again," she said.

Poll: Shutdown drags Trump's approval to 34%

BY STEVE PEOPLES AND EMILY SWANSON
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WASHINGTON — A strong majority of Americans blame President Donald Trump for the record government shutdown and reject his primary rationale for a border wall, according to a new poll that shows the turmoil in Washington is dragging his approval rating to its lowest level in more than a year.

Overall, 34 percent of Americans approve of Trump's job performance in a survey conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. That's down from 42 percent a month earlier and nears the lowest mark of his two-year presidency. The president's approval among Republicans remains close to 80 percent, but his standing with independents is among its lowest points of his time in office.

"Trump is responsible for this," said poll respondent Lloyd Rabalais, 47, a federal contractor from Slidell, La., who's not affiliated with either political party.

Rabalais has been furloughed for more than a month. He said he will need to start drawing on his retirement savings next week to pay his bills if the shutdown continues.

"I do support a wall, but not the way he's handling it," Rabalais added. "Trump guaranteed everybody that Mexico would pay for the wall. Now he's holding American workers like me hostage."

The drop in approval comes as Trump begins the third year of his presidency under the weight of the longest government shutdown in U.S. history, an international trade war that's straining the global economy and new revelations about his push for a real estate deal in Russia during his 2016 campaign.

Compared with earlier presidents, Trump's approval rating has been relatively stable over the course of his



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The AP-NORC poll shows most Americans blame President Trump for the shutdown.

presidency, ranging from the mid-30s to the mid-40s.

By contrast, President Barack Obama never fell below 40 percent in polling by Gallup. Still, five presidents since Gallup began measuring presidential approval have had their rating fall into the 20s at least once, including Harry S. Truman, Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush. Trump has never fallen into that range of historic lows, but he's also the only president never to have reached 50 percent in Gallup's polling.

The new AP-NORC poll shows most Americans see the shutdown as a major problem, and they blame Trump far more than congressional Democrats for the mess that has ensnared the lives of roughly 800,000 government workers who are going without pay.

Sixty percent of Americans say Trump bears a great deal of responsibility for the shutdown. About a third place the same amount of blame on con-

gressional Democrats (31 percent) or Republicans (36 percent).

Trump may be popular overall with Republicans, but a sizable share holds him responsible for the current situation. Almost 3 in 10 Republicans think Trump bears a great deal of responsibility, while 73 percent of his party says he's at least partly responsible.

"The large part of the responsibility belongs to the president because he made the decision," said poll respondent Sandra Olson, of Northwood, Iowa. The 76-year-old registered Republican said she voted for Trump once and likely will again. "We have never in my lifetime seen a president who has been so maligned and attacked and vilified."

Trump's demand for a \$5.7 billion border wall is also unpopular.

Overall, 49 percent of Americans oppose the plan to build a massive wall along the Mexican border; 36 percent of the nation is in favor.

Opinions fall largely

along ideological lines, with 8 in 10 Democrats opposing the wall and nearly 8 in 10 Republicans supporting it.

About 7 in 10 supporters of the wall prefer to extend the shutdown than to reach a deal without funding it, while a nearly identical number on the other side would rather the shutdown continue than provide that funding.

The poll shows significant skepticism of the president's argument that a wall would significantly reduce crime, stem the flow of illegal drugs or help the U.S. economy.

Poll respondent Kelley Thorson, of St. Robert, Missouri, who backed Trump in the 2016 election, says she supports the wall but largely disagrees with the president's rationale.

"I can't say it would make us safer," the 57-year-old said. "Criminals are going to get here no matter what."

While partisan opinions of Trump have remained relatively constant throughout his presidency, the poll shows that disapproval has

grown particularly among independents who do not lean toward either party.

Just 28 percent of independents say they approve, compared with 71 percent who disapprove. In December, 37 percent of independents approved of Trump's job performance, while 58 percent disapproved.

Women also are more likely to disapprove today compared with a month ago — 71 percent to 58 percent. And 76 percent of college graduates disapprove today, compared with 65 percent who disapproved in De-

ember.

The president isn't doing anything well right now, said poll respondent J. Edwin Hixson, a 71-year-old retired truck driver from Harrisburg, Pa., who didn't vote for Trump or Democrat Hillary Clinton in the 2016 election.

"This isn't a reality show. We're in serious trouble," he said.

The AP-NORC poll of 1,062 adults was conducted Jan. 16-20, and the margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 4.1 percentage points.

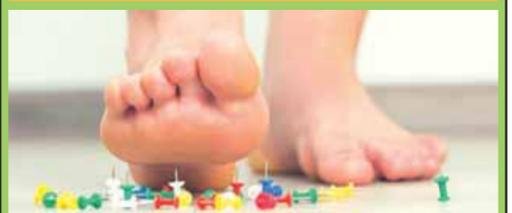
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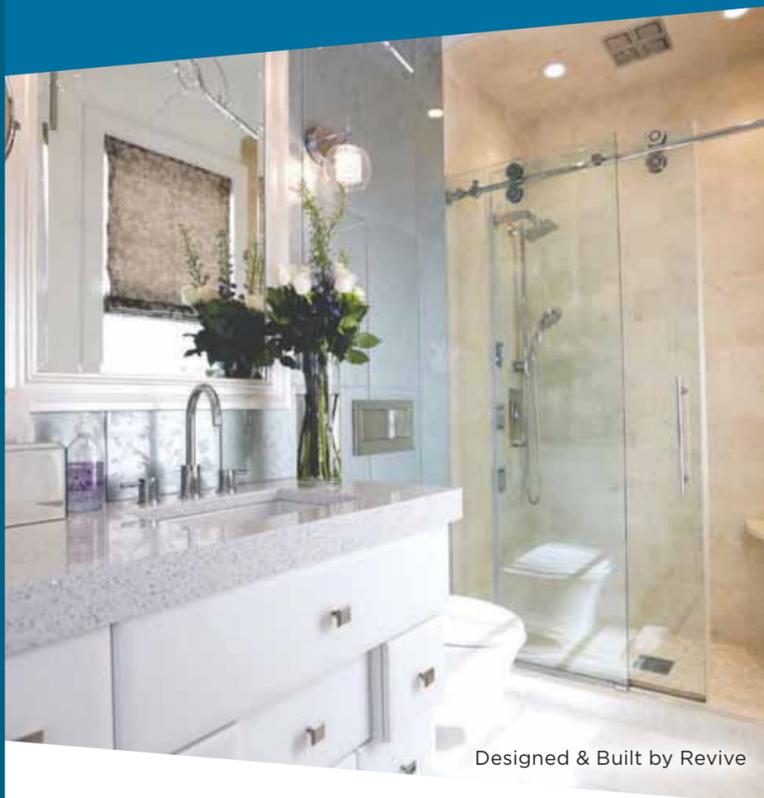
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Leader's foe claims Venezuela

U.S. among 5 nations to quickly endorse lawmaker's challenge against Maduro

By JOSHUA GOODMAN
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — Venezuela's crisis quickly escalated Wednesday, as an opposition leader backed by the Trump administration declared himself interim president in a direct challenge to embattled socialist President Nicolas Maduro, who retaliated by breaking off relations with the United States, his biggest trade partner.

For the past two weeks, ever since Maduro took the oath for a second six-year term in the face of widespread international condemnation, the newly-invigorated opposition had been preparing for nationwide demonstrations Wednesday coinciding with the anniversary marking the end of Venezuela's last military dictatorship in 1958.

While Maduro has shown no signs of leaving, his main rival, National Assembly President Juan Guaido, upped the ante by declaring himself interim president before masses of anti-government demonstrators — the only way, he said, to rescue Venezuela from "dictatorship."

In a seemingly-coordinated action, the U.S. led a chorus of Western Hemisphere nations, including Argentina, Brazil, Canada and Colombia, that immediately backed the bold challenge, with President Donald Trump calling on

Maduro to resign and promising to use the "full weight" of the U.S. "economic and diplomatic power to press for the restoration of Venezuela's democracy."

"The people of Venezuela have courageously spoken out against Maduro and his regime and demanded freedom and the rule of law," Trump said in a statement.

The stunning move, which to some harkened back to dark episodes of heavy-handed U.S. interventions in Latin America during the Cold War, drew a strong rebuke from Maduro. He responded by swiftly cutting off diplomatic relations with the United States, the biggest importer of the OPEC nation's oil, giving American diplomats 72 hours to leave the country.

"Before the people and nations of the world, and as constitutional president ... I've decided to break diplomatic and political relations with the imperialist U.S. government," Maduro thundered while holding up a decree banning the diplomats before a crowd of red-shirted supporters gathered at the presidential palace. "Don't trust the gringos. They don't have friends or loyalties. They only have interests, guts and the ambition to take Venezuela's oil, gas and gold."

Not to be undone, Guaido issued his own statement, urging foreign embassies to disavow Maduro's orders



Maduro



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Juan Guaido, head of Venezuela's opposition-run congress, addresses supporters to declare himself interim president.

and keep their diplomats in the country.

The 35-year-old Guaido, a virtually unknown lawmaker at the start of the year, has reignited the hopes of Venezuela's often beleaguered opposition by taking a rebellious tack amid a crushing economic crisis that has forced millions to flee or go hungry.

Raising his right hand in unison with tens of thousands of supporters, the leader of the opposition-controlled congress took a symbolic oath to assume executive powers he says are his right under two articles of Venezuela's Constitution to take over as interim president and form a transitional government until he calls new elections.

"Today, January 23, 2019, I swear to formally assume

the powers of the national executive as president in charge of Venezuela," he told the cheering crowd as he stood behind a lectern emblazoned with Venezuela's national coat of arms.

"We know that this will have consequences," he shouted, moments before quickly slipping away to an unknown location amid speculation he would soon be arrested.

The price of oil slipped for the third time in four days Wednesday, an indication that international energy markets are not overly concerned that the situation in Venezuela — America's third-largest top oil supplier and owner of Houston-based Citgo — will disrupt global crude supplies.

The bold challenge to

Maduro's rule came after large crowds gathered in Caracas waving flags and chanting "Get out, Maduro!" in what was the largest demonstration since a wave of unrest that left more than 120 dead in 2017.

While the protests were mostly peaceful there were no signs that security forces heeded Guaido's call to join the anti-Maduro movement and go light on demonstrators.

Hours after most demonstrators went home, violence broke out in Altamira, an upscale zone of Caracas and an opposition stronghold, when National Guardsmen descended on hundreds of youths, some of them with their faces covered, lingering around a popular plaza. Popping tear gas canisters sent hundreds

running and hordes of protesters riding two and three on motorcycles fleeing in panic.

Amid the showdown, all eyes were on the military, the traditional arbiter of political disputes in Venezuela — and to whom Guaido has been targeting his message.

Maduro, who lacks the military pedigree of his mentor and predecessor, the late Hugo Chavez, has sought to shore up support from the armed forces by doling out key posts to top generals, including heading the PDVSA oil monopoly that is the source of virtually all of Venezuela's export earnings.

He has also received the blessing of the defense minister, Gen. Vladimir Padrino Lopez.



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Sebring, Fla., police Chief Karl Hoglund, left, and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis speak at a news conference Wednesday.

5 fatally shot at Fla. bank; suspect arrested

Associated Press

SEBRING, Fla. — A gunman who opened fire inside a Florida bank Wednesday afternoon killed five people before surrendering to SWAT negotiators, police said.

Zephen Xaver, 21, was arrested after the shooting at a SunTrust branch, Sebring police Chief Karl Hoglund said at a news conference.

"Today's been a tragic day in our community," Hoglund said. "We've suf-

fered significant loss at the hands of a senseless criminal doing a senseless crime."

The victims were not immediately identified.

A man called police dispatch Wednesday afternoon and reported that he had fired shots inside the bank, Hoglund said. Initial negotiations failed to get the barricaded man to leave the bank, so the Highlands County Sheriff's Office SWAT team entered the building to continue negotiations, and the man even-

tually surrendered.

Police didn't say what charges Xaver would face or indicate a motive.

Gov. Ron DeSantis was in the region for an infrastructure tour and traveled to Sebring after news of the shooting broke. He said the Florida Department of Law Enforcement would assist Sebring police and the Highlands sheriff's office in any way possible.

"Obviously, this is an individual who needs to face very swift and exacting justice," DeSantis said of the

gunman.

An FBI mobile command unit arrived at the bank Wednesday evening to join the investigation.

SunTrust Chairman and CEO Bill Rogers released a statement saying the bank is deeply saddened by the shooting.

"We are working with officials and dedicating ourselves to fully addressing the needs of all the individuals and families involved," Rogers said. "Our entire team mourns this terrible loss."

Pelosi withdraws House invite to president

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nation, even in times of divided government. An annual show of unity has devolved into disunity.

"We're supposed to be doing it, and now Nancy Pelosi — or 'Nancy,' as I call her — she doesn't want to hear the truth. And she doesn't want, more importantly, the American people to hear the truth," Trump said at a meeting with conservative leaders at the White House.

Earlier Wednesday, Trump tried to call Pelosi's bluff, saying he planned to honor the speaker's invitation she extended earlier this month when the partial government shutdown was still in its relative infancy. Not delivering it in the House chamber, Trump wrote to her, would be "very sad."

But later Wednesday, Pelosi, D-Calif., officially called off the address in the House chamber, asking instead for a new, "mutually agreeable" date once the government has reopened. Trump, faced with that reality, said he would be doing "something in the alternative."

In a tweet late Wednesday, Trump signaled a retreat, saying it was Pelosi's "prerogative" to suggest a later date due to the shutdown.

"I will do the Address when the Shutdown is over," he tweeted.

The squabbling extended a fight that erupted last week when Pelosi suggested to the president that they postpone the address, citing security concerns caused by the shutdown that were later dismissed by



The spat between House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and President Trump spilled over Wednesday to the Jan. 29 address.



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administration officials.

The historic partial government shutdown, now in its 33rd day, has left hundreds of thousands of federal employees without pay while the Trump administration began preparing for a funding lapse that could stretch into the spring.

Since President Woodrow Wilson in 1913, both Republican and Democratic presidents, with the House speaker and the vice president sitting behind them, have addressed the nation and Congress in a House chamber packed with members of the diplomatic corps, the Supreme Court, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, family members and guests.

Pelosi's decision appears to be without precedent, as there seems to be no other instance of House speakers denying the use of the chamber for a president's State of the Union, according to congressional historians.

'I will do the Address when the Shutdown is over'

— President Donald Trump, in a tweet late Wednesday

"There's none. There's nothing close to it," Tim Naftali, a presidential historian at New York University who is the co-author of the book "Impeachment: An American History."

The challenge for Democrats, Naftali said, is to avoid giving the impression that they are reacting to Trump's pettiness with their own.

In her letter to Trump on Wednesday, Pelosi said the president can give the annual speech at the Capitol once the government shutdown is over. When she extended Trump the invitation earlier this month on Jan. 3, "there was no thought that the government would still be shut down," Pelosi wrote.

"I am writing to inform

you that the House of Representatives will not consider a concurrent resolution authorizing the president's State of the Union address in the House Chamber until government has opened," Pelosi wrote to Trump. "Again, I look forward to welcoming you to the House on a mutually agreeable date for this address when government has been opened."

The House and Senate must pass a concurrent resolution for a joint session of Congress to hear the president.

Pelosi's letter came just a few hours after Trump had informed her that he planned to show up at the Capitol on Jan. 29 to deliver his annual speech to Con-

gress.

Asked about Pelosi's letter at a White House event Wednesday afternoon, Trump responded, "I'm not surprised" and accused Democrats of becoming "radicalized."

Pelosi maintained in a brief exchange with reporters at the Capitol that her offer to Trump still stands as long as they are able to find a "mutually agreeable date."

Her decision drew a sharp rebuke from congressional Republicans, especially among the president's closest allies.

Shortly before Pelosi released her letter, House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., released a resolution that would permit the president to deliver his address. But Pelosi's statement means that the measure stands little chance of being taken up by the Democratic-led House.

In a statement, Sen. Lind-

sey Graham, R-S.C., called Pelosi's decision to rescind her invitation to Trump a "new low for American politics."

"The State of the Union is a tradition which has been carried out during times of war and peace, turmoil and tranquility. It is an important piece of our history and government," Graham said. "Speaker Pelosi's decision to ignore this long-standing American tradition is absurd, petty, and shameful."

In the private meeting with conservative leaders, Trump remarked that Pelosi's decision to disinvite him from the House chamber was a disgrace, and that it was bad for the country, according to Mark Kirkorian, the executive director for the Center for Immigration Studies who was in attendance.

In a speech to the winter meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors Wednesday afternoon, Pelosi made no mention of the presidential address. She continued to accuse Trump of "holding the health, safety and paychecks of the American people hostage" and said that Democrats fear he may do so again in future if they agree to his demands.

"That is why we must hold the line on this shutdown," Pelosi said.

The House has passed a number of bills that would reopen the government without border wall funding, and Democrats plan another vote Thursday. The GOP-controlled Senate is planning votes Thursday as well on two competing proposals, neither of which is expected to garner the 60 votes necessary for passage.

Phoenix police arrest nurse in incapacitated woman's rape

BY TERRY TANG
Associated Press

PHOENIX — A nurse who was supposed to be looking after an incapacitated woman at a long-term health care facility has been charged with raping her, weeks after the patient stunned her caregivers and family by giving birth to a baby boy, Phoenix police said Wednesday.

Investigators arrested Nathan Sutherland, a licensed practical nurse, on suspicion of one count of sexual assault and one count of vulnerable adult abuse, Phoenix police Chief Jeri Williams said.

"We owed this arrest to the victim. We owed this arrest to the newest member of our community — that innocent baby," Williams said.

The surprise birth late last month triggered reviews by state agencies, highlighted safety concerns for patients who are severely disabled or incapacitated and led to disciplinary actions and resignations of staffers and managers. It also prompted authorities to test the DNA of all the men who worked at the Hacienda Health-Care facility.

Sutherland, 36, submitted his DNA sample under court order Tuesday and the results came back a few hours later, showing he was a match to the baby. He declined to speak with police and invoked his Fifth Amendment rights, police spokesman Tommy Thompson said.

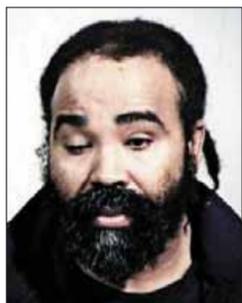
Sutherland appeared in court Wednesday. A Maricopa County Superior Court commissioner ordered him released on a cash-only \$500,000 bond. He also must wear an electronic monitoring device.

Defense attorney David Gregan had asked for a lower bond on the grounds that Sutherland didn't have a criminal record. He de-



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Phoenix police Chief Jeri Williams announces the arrest of a nurse Wednesday in the rape of a 29-year-old patient.



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Nathan Sutherland, 36, is married with four children.

scribed his client as a family man with young children who has lived in Arizona since 1993.

"There's no direct evidence that Mr. Sutherland has committed these acts," Gregan said. "I know at this point there's DNA. But he will have a right to his own DNA expert."

Gregan did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

Investigators found that Sutherland had treated the victim and spent a lot of time with her, according to a probable cause statement. Investigators believe Sutherland raped the patient sometime between February and April.

A former neighbor, Esella Burr, said she lived next to Sutherland, his wife and four children for more than five years. She often saw the couple leave for church on Sundays and

they would chat occasionally.

"I can't believe it," Burr said. "He told me he was nurse and he liked his job."

Hacienda officials fired Sutherland after learning of his arrest. The company said it was "troubled beyond words."

Sutherland had passed an extensive background check.

The 29-year-old victim has been in long-term care since age 3 and gave birth at the facility Dec. 29. Employees said they had no idea she was pregnant.

The case has prompted the departure or discipline of key figures at Hacienda HealthCare, including the CEO. The provider says one doctor who had cared for the woman resigned and another had been suspended.

Earlier stories had described the patient as being comatose or in a vegetative state. But her parents disputed that characterization. They described her as intellectually disabled because of seizures in early childhood. While she doesn't speak, she has some mobility in her limbs, head and neck. She also responds to sound and can make facial gestures.

Thompson said he believes the baby has since been released from the hospital. The woman's family has said they will care for him.

Cohen delays Feb. testimony before Congress, lawyer says

BY MATT ZAPOTOSKY
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump's former personal lawyer, will not testify before Congress next month, one of his attorneys said Wednesday — which could quash, at least temporarily, liberals' hopes for a public hearing in which Trump's ex-fixer airs the president's dirty laundry.

Lanny Davis, an attorney for Cohen, said in a statement, "Due to ongoing threats against his family from President Trump and Mr. (Rudy) Giuliani, as recently as this weekend, as well as Mr. Cohen's continued cooperation with ongoing investigations, by advice of counsel, Mr. Cohen's appearance will be postponed to a later date."

Cohen was to appear Feb. 7 before the House Oversight Committee.

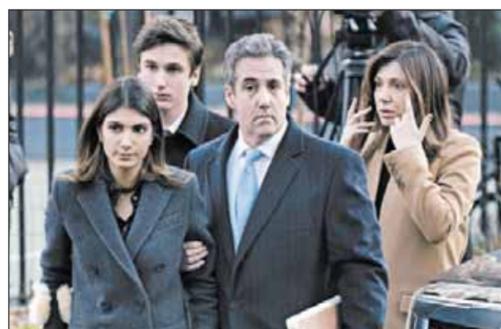
"This is a time where Mr. Cohen had to put his family and their safety first," Davis said.

It is not clear to which "threats" Davis was referring.

Trump said of the claim that he had threatened Cohen: "I would say he's been threatened by the truth. He's only been threatened by the truth. And he doesn't want to do that, probably for me or other of his clients."

The president has been publicly critical of Cohen for his cooperation with special counsel Robert Mueller and has suggested that Cohen's father-in-law ought to be investigated.

Giuliani, the president's current lawyer, has highlighted problems with Cohen's credibility. Giuliani was particularly skeptical of Cohen after BuzzFeed News reported last week that Cohen had told Mueller's office that Trump directed him to lie to Congress — an account the special counsel dis-



CRAIG RUTTLE/AP 2018

Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump's former lawyer, arrives to court in December with his children and wife.

puted in an unprecedented public statement.

"If you believe Cohen, I can get you a great deal on the Brooklyn Bridge," Giuliani said.

It was not clear that lawmakers would easily allow Cohen to back out of his commitment to appear before them.

House Oversight Committee Chairman Elijah Cummings, D-Md., and House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff, D-Calif., said in a joint statement that they "certainly understand the completely legitimate concerns for the safety and security of Mr. Cohen and his family members in light of the attacks last week by President Trump and again this past weekend by his attorney, Rudy Giuliani."

But the lawmakers added that they had "repeatedly offered our assistance to work with law enforcement to enhance security measures for Mr. Cohen and his family," and in their discussions with Cohen's attorney, "not appearing before Congress was never an option."

"We will not let the President's tactics prevent Congress from fulfilling our constitutionally mandated oversight responsibilities," Cummings and Schiff said. "This will not stop us from getting to the truth. We expect Mr. Cohen to appear before both

Committees, and we remain engaged with his counsel about his upcoming appearances."

Rep. Stephen Lynch, D-Mass., who sits on the Oversight Committee, said several members of the panel "would be in favor of subpoenaing him sooner rather than later to try to get him prior to his incarceration."

Cohen had announced to some fanfare earlier this month that he had accepted an invitation to testify from Cummings "in furtherance of my commitment to cooperate and provide the American people with answers."

The hearing seemed as if it could be eventful.

Cohen pleaded guilty last year to multiple crimes, including lying to Congress about a possible Trump Tower project in Moscow and arranging hush-money payments to women who had alleged having had affairs with Trump.

He was sentenced to three years in prison and is expected to report to prison on March 6, about a month after the date of his scheduled testimony.

Cummings said, though, that Cohen could testify even after that.

"We can always bring him in. Even if he's in prison," he said. "We can bring him in. The marshals can — you know, they can make arrangements."

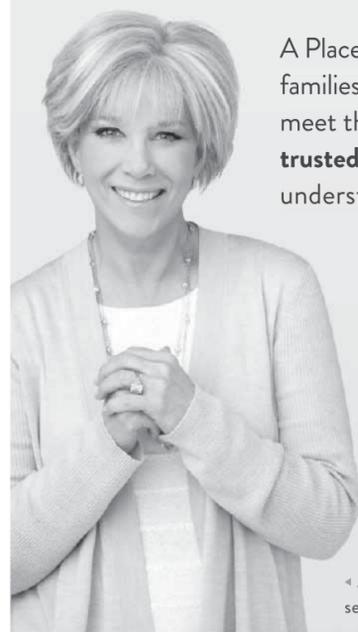
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Fight vs. India unites Kashmir teens

Rebellion draws greater numbers of boys, young men

BY ALJAZ HUSSAIN
Associated Press

HAJIN, India — On a hot day in August, members of a Kashmiri youth soccer team watched their 16-year-old captain, Saqib Bilal Sheikh, and goalkeeper Mudassar Rashid Parray, two years his junior, walk off the field toward a man on a motorcycle.

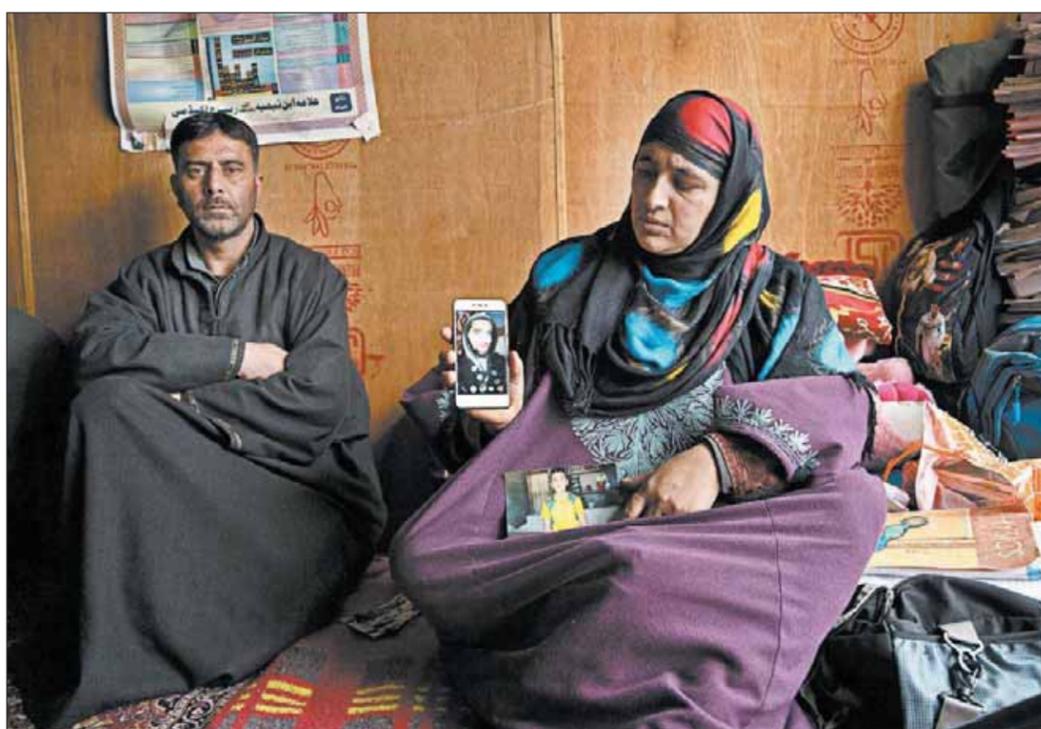
The two teenagers were not seen again until months later, when they were returned to their hometown in body bags.

Dying with his teammate in an 18-hour firefight in December, Mudassar became the youngest militant slain fighting Indian troops in a three-decade insurgency in Kashmir. The rebellion is drawing greater numbers of teenage boys and young men as New Delhi has increased its suppression of protest against Indian rule in the Himalayan region.

Anti-India unrest has been on the rise since a charismatic rebel leader was killed in a 2016 gun battle with Indian troops in southern Kashmir. Police say since then, hundreds of young Kashmiris have joined rebel groups, leading to a surge in attacks on government troops and pro-India Kashmiri politicians in the region, divided between India and Pakistan and claimed by both in its entirety.

Indian authorities have responded by stepping up anti-rebel operations and cracking down on civilian protests, often responding to stone-pelting with live bullets.

“Young people feel frustrated and pushed to the wall,” said Khurram Parvez, a program coordinator for the Jammu-Kashmir Coalition of Civil Society. “They feel the only way by which the government of India is



Mehbooba shows her son Saqib Bilal Sheikh on a mobile phone as father Bilal Ahmed Shiekh talks to the AP in Hajin.

going to listen to them is by coming out and joining militancy.”

Saqib and Mudassar came from different economic backgrounds, united by their passion for soccer and their hometown, Hajin, which since the 1990s has seen brutal fighting between anti-India rebels and pro-India counterinsurgent groups armed and funded by the Indian military.

The two boys watched as the peaceful summertime street marches that began in Kashmir in 2008 turned into battlegrounds.

Their parents had distanced themselves from the civilian uprising against India. But both families described their sons as martyrs, speaking to a common resentment of India in Kashmir as a violent occupying force.

Saqib, famous among his friends for appearing as an extra in the Bollywood film “Haider,” an adaptation of

Shakespeare’s “Hamlet” set in Kashmir, grew up in a wealthy farming family, excelled at school and aspired to become an engineer.

From their two-story home in Hajin, Saqib’s elder brother, Aqib Bilal, played a video on his phone of his brother using an iron to straighten his thick, black hair. He flipped through one of his brother’s notebooks: math exercises, physics notes and poetry.

One couplet, written in Urdu, read, “Everyone should participate in the freedom struggle; everyone’s dream is freedom but no one wants to fight and die for it!”

Unlike Saqib, Mudassar was skinny, soft-spoken and shy, and struggled with his studies.

He sometimes took menial jobs to help his sickly parents, younger sister and mentally disabled elder brother, his parents said from their modest home,

some 500 yards away from the Bilals.

“At such a tender age, he was already our family’s backbone,” Mudassar’s father, Abdul Rashid Parray, said as he shuffled kangri, a traditional earthenware firepot filled with embers used in Kashmir to keep warm in the harsh winter months.

“Police snatched my son from us,” Mudassar’s mother, Fareeda Begum, shouted in tears, surrounded by consoling women.

“He was fated to die on that day,” Parray said in response. “Thank God he died as a martyr.”

Mudassar’s cousin Ahmed, who gave only his middle name, fearing reprisal from the authorities, said police had detained and tortured Mudassar for over two weeks in 2017, listing him as an “overground worker,” a term Indian government forces use

to describe people who actively support rebels.

Police denied detaining Mudassar, saying they only brought him into the station to counsel him as part of what police call a de-radicalization campaign.

“We called Mudassar to dissuade him from participating in protests and stone-pelting,” said the area’s police chief, Sheikh Zulfkar Azad. “We counseled his father as well. But Mudassar had already been too radicalized.”

Conflict observers say last year’s death toll was the highest since 2009, including at least 260 militants, 160 civilians and 150 government forces.

The United Nations has called for an independent international investigation into reports of rape, torture and extrajudicial killings in Kashmir. In a June report, the U.N. particularly criticized Indian troops for firing shotgun pellets at pro-

testers, blinding and injuring hundreds of people, including children.

India’s Foreign Ministry dismissed the report as “fallacious.”

Kashmir has known little other than conflict since 1947, when India and Pakistan gained independence but were unable to resolve their rival claims on the mountain territory. Since then, the archrivals have fought two wars over those claims.

The Indian side of the territory has seen several uprisings, including the ongoing bloody armed rebellion launched in 1989 to demand independence or a merger with Pakistan. Since then, about 70,000 people — mainly civilians and rebels but also soldiers and police — have been killed.

India has long treated the Kashmiri struggle for self-determination as Islamabad’s proxy war against New Delhi, responding to public protest with disproportionate force, critics say.

The conflict has intensified since Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi came to power in 2014 amid rising attacks by Hindu hard-liners against minorities in the country, further deepening frustration with New Delhi’s rule in Muslim-majority Kashmir.

Modi’s Hindu nationalist Bharitya Janata Party-led government has toughened its stance against both Pakistan and Kashmiri separatists with policies that experts say are intended to project the BJP as strong and uncompromising.

Modi’s policies have also had the unintended consequence of strengthening the resolve of those fighting for an end to India’s rule in Kashmir.

“How can any Kashmiri ever back India?” said Ali Mohammed, one of the Parveys’ neighbors. “Supporting India is like supporting soldiers killing and blinding children and destroying our homes. Supporting India is just inhumane.”

Con artist’s ‘vision of luxury’ won’t be prison

Woman who bilked dozens lived large, traveled the world

BY RACHEL WEINER
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Keisha Williams lived large. When she stayed at the Ritz-Carlton in the Bahamas, her cabana had to have a balcony, and her shrimp could not be jumbo — “too tough.” At the Cavalieri in Rome, she complained that the Mercedes that picked her up was “too small” — not her “vision of luxury.” In Bora Bora, she bragged that she spotted actor Tracy Morgan but “I have the biggest Villa on the island.”

For the next 15½ years, Williams will live in a federal prison after admitting that the millions she spent on luxury vacations, cars and restaurants came from a fraudulent health care software scheme that fleeced more than 50 people out of their savings.

“The way in which you spent this money ... is appalling,” Judge Leonie Brinkema told her before imposing the sentence this month in federal court in Alexandria, Va. “It was one of the worst (cases) I’ve seen.”

Williams, 43, of Ashburn, Va., pleaded guilty to 14 fraud-related charges sev-

eral days into a trial last fall, after 20 people had testified against her.

For four years, Williams claimed she had purchased Austrian software that would allow doctors to remotely examine and talk with patients and needed cash to pay taxes and fees on the product.

She convinced a successful California businessman named Christian D’Andrade to partner with her to raise \$4 million, including \$1.4 million of his own money. She raised over a million more from other victims.

In fact, Williams never fully purchased the software, spending less than \$300,000 she had gotten from investors. Most of the rest she spent on herself and her girlfriend, according to court records.

D’Andrade, 70, lost his business, his two houses, car and all his savings, according to court papers, along with the savings of his girlfriend, ex-wife and a business mentee. He admitted lying to several victims himself about where the money was going and how quickly it would be paid back, while believing Williams would make good on her promises. He is

serving a probationary sentence.

Three others admitted getting sucked into Williams’ scam as semi-unwitting co-conspirators. Prosecutors say when D’Andrade’s network started to run dry, Williams turned to Carla McPhun, a Maryland real estate investor who met D’Andrade at a cookout. McPhun admitted that she lied to one investor about where the money was going, thinking she would be able to repay it soon. She did not realize the entire project was a fraud until she saw on the news last February that Williams had been arrested.

“That was only the beginning of the nightmare,” McPhun, who lost her life savings and her home, said in court last year. She was also sentenced to probation.

Two others, both former air marshals, admitted that Williams convinced them to intimidate people she claimed owed her money by pretending to still be federal agents. Ruben Gresham received three months in prison; Arthur Robinson was given a probationary sentence.

Williams, who has degrees in electrical engineer-



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Keisha Williams was sentenced to more than 15 years after conning investors out of more than \$5 million to fuel her luxurious lifestyle, including a 2016 trip to Disney World.

ing and law, initially came under investigation after complaints that her consulting firm charged small businesses advance fees for work she never performed.

During her sentencing she offered little explanation.

“I believe I am a good person who made some bad choices,” she said.

Hundreds of messages she sent over the years of the fraud are included in court records, exposing in detail her manipulations and lies.

Repeatedly, when telling D’Andrade she was broke and struggling to deal with

financial and medical emergencies, Williams was on trips with her girlfriend all over the world.

“It’s so much pain!” she texted him in December 2017. “I have a massive headache can’t even open my eyes barely and still trying to find remaining money to get this done today.”

She was, in reality, in the Bahamas, where in text messages she crowed that the hotel had given her four butlers but complained about her cabana’s lack of a balcony.

“I spend the most at the Ritz in food and beverage all

year and for many years,” she wrote, according to court papers. “They need to take care of me.”

At one point, she told D’Andrade she was being detained in Austria and couldn’t leave unless he sent her \$150,000 immediately.

“I lost both houses as of today. I don’t know what else I can do,” he told her.

She responded that if he couldn’t help her, she might not see her dying grandmother.

She was actually just back from Bora Bora, and debating a friend via text whether to rent a yacht on her next trip to Miami.

Drone sighting at Newark airport stokes fears of larger problem

BY ALAN LEVIN
Bloomberg News

The pilot on the United Airlines flight nearing Newark Liberty International Airport was given plenty of warning by air traffic control that a drone was in his vicinity. Still, he sounded stunned at what he saw.

“We missed the drone by about 30 feet off our right wing,” the pilot radioed.

The United crew’s report was the second sighting within minutes, and that was all it took for control-

lers to halt arrivals at one of the New York area’s busy airports, triggering hours of delays. More than 40 flights headed to Newark, N.J., were disrupted as the airport temporarily shut down arrivals Tuesday after the report from the United pilot.

“OK, and looks like about the same altitude?” the air traffic controller replied, according to a recording of Tuesday afternoon’s incident made available by the website LiveATC.net.

“Exact same altitude,”

the pilot of United Flight 2335 said. “It was our exact same altitude, probably 20 feet, 30 feet off our right.”

A pilot on Southwest Airlines Co. Flight 476 first reported the device at 4:44 p.m., according to the Federal Aviation Administration and the flight-tracking website FlightAware. The temporary halt to arrivals forced 43 flights to hold, nine of which had to divert to other airports, FAA said.

The FAA resumed arrivals within an hour but had to delay dozens of other

flights through the evening in an attempt to ease congestion from the initial event.

The disruption at Newark, a major hub in the New York metropolitan area, stoked fears of drone disruptions as U.S. regulators seek to expand civilian uses of the robotic aircraft while tightening security. It also recalled incidents at London’s Gatwick Airport, which was disrupted over three successive days last month after drone sightings, and Heathrow Airport,

which was briefly shut down earlier this month when drones were sighted near its runways.

The U.S. government is drafting proposals that would track drones and identify their users in real time, but the rules are years away from becoming final.

The world’s largest civilian drone maker, China-based SZ DJI Technology Co. Ltd., issued a statement saying it would assist in any investigation, but raising doubts that a pilot could see such a small craft at that

altitude.

“Spotting one from a plane flying at more than 100 mph strains the limits of physical possibility,” said company spokesman Adam Lisberg.

The FAA has recorded hundreds of sightings of drones by pilots, including at Newark and other major commercial airports. There has been one confirmed collision in the U.S. between a drone and a traditional aircraft, an Army helicopter, which had minor damage, in 2017.

NEWS BRIEFING

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South Bend mayor joins 2020 Democratic field for presidency

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Democrat Pete Buttigieg, the 37-year-old mayor of South Bend, says he's forming an exploratory committee for a 2020 presidential bid.

"The reality is there's no going back, and there's no such thing as 'again' in the real world. We can't look for greatness in the past," Buttigieg says in a video.

"Right now our country needs a fresh start," he says.

Buttigieg has touted his work to improve his city of 100,000 residents as he's prepared for a jump from local politics to a presidential campaign. He's also said Democrats could benefit from a new generation of leaders as they try to unseat President Donald Trump in 2020.

If he were to win the Democratic nomination, Buttigieg would be the first openly gay presidential nominee from a major political party.

Rep. Jackson Lee steps down as leader of House subcommittee

WASHINGTON — Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee is temporarily stepping down from her leadership of a House Judiciary subcommittee, following a lawsuit claiming she fired a staffer who said she was raped by a superior at the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation.

Jackson Lee, D-Texas, was chairwoman of the Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations subcommittee.

In a statement last week, Jackson Lee's office denied the woman in the lawsuit was fired for retribution.

Jackson Lee is also stepping down from her role as chairwoman of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, but this will not be temporary. The CBCF is the same organization where the staffer, identified in court filings as Jane Doe, interned in 2015.

Witness: El Chapo's wife was in on plans for 2015 prison escape

NEW YORK — The wife of Mexican drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman played a key role in his infamous 2015 escape from prison through a tunnel dug into the shower of his cell, a witness testified Wednesday at the kingpin's U.S. trial.

Damaso Lopez Nunez, once a loyal lieutenant for Guzman, told the jury that Emma Coronel Aispuro helped her husband communicate with his sons

and others who coordinated the breakout at Altiplano prison in central Mexico.

After the Sinaloa cartel boss was recaptured and thrown in another Mexican lockup, the organization paid a \$2 million bribe to a prison official in exchange for getting him moved back to Altiplano, the witness said. Before that could happen, Guzman was sent in 2017 to the U.S. for trial.



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Indonesian soldiers guide residents to safety Wednesday in Makassar, the capital of South Sulawesi province. At least eight people were killed and more than 2,000 fled their homes after heavy rains overwhelmed a dam and caused landslides in central Indonesia.

Risk of no-deal Brexit recedes as calls grow to delay the split

LONDON — The risk of a no-deal Brexit appears to be receding after calls for a delay to the United Kingdom's exit from the European Union won powerful backing in London and other EU capitals.

Senior figures in the French and German governments said they would be open to extending the Brexit deadline as momentum built for a delay in the U.K. Parliament.

Yet the issue remains toxic for Theresa May. The British prime minister is caught in the crossfire between pro-EU members of her Conservative Party

who are seeking to force her to postpone Brexit, and staunch euroskeptics who are threatening to bring down her government if she does.

Time for reaching a decision is running out. If the U.K. can't agree to a deal by March 29, the country will leave the EU in a disorderly split that British authorities warn will risk a recession.

May herself remains unpersuaded of the case for a delay, although she has stopped short of ruling out an extension to the withdrawal deadline, set out in Article 50 of the EU's Lisbon Treaty.

"Extending Article 50 I don't believe resolves any issues," May told the House of Commons on Wednesday. Parliament will still need to decide if it wants a deal, a no-deal Brexit, or no Brexit, she added.

The question of a delay could be taken out of May's hands. Next week Parliament is slated to vote on a series of options, including a proposal to force the government to ask the EU to extend Article 50.

Nevertheless, a growing number of U.K. firms have braced for disruption by stockpiling goods or shifting operations overseas.

3 charged with conspiracy to make 'swatting' calls

LOS ANGELES — Three men have been charged with conspiracy to help a Los Angeles man make phony emergency "swatting" calls around the nation in hopes of sending police to the scene or forcing building evacuations.

Federal indictments unsealed Wednesday in Los

Angeles allege they conspired with Tyler Barriss in 2017 to make bomb and shooting reports to police, a high school and convention center in Connecticut, Texas, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri and Illinois.

Barriss pleaded guilty in November to making hoax calls, including one that led

a Wichita, Kan., police officer answering a shooting call to kill an innocent man.

The Los Angeles indictment names Neal Patel of Des Plaines, Ill.; Tyler Stewart of Gulf Breeze, Fla.; and Logan Patten of Greenwood, Mo. Two are in custody. It's unclear if the men have lawyers.

House panel opens probe of clearances for Trump aides

WASHINGTON — House Democrats are opening an investigation of the Trump White House's security clearance practices and what they are calling "grave breaches" of procedure that allowed potentially compromised people to access the country's most sensitive secrets.

The investigation, announced Wednesday by House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Chairman Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., seeks to expose why people with security clearance issues had continued access to sensitive information and to close those loopholes.

Among the people whose cases the panel plans to scrutinize are former national security adviser Michael Flynn, Trump's son-in-law and senior adviser Jared Kushner, and former White House staff secretary Rob Porter.

In Kentucky: A Catholic boys' school widely criticized after a confrontation at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington is reopening under the watchful eye of law enforcement. News outlets reported that a letter sent to parents detailed extra safety measures being taken at Covington Catholic High School on Wednesday.

Released: An American-born anchorwoman on Iranian state television who was held in the U.S. as a material witness so she could testify in an unidentified criminal case was released from jail Wednesday evening.

Marzieh Hashemi, 59, was released from jail in Washington after being detained for 10 days.

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EDITORIALS

After 2 rancorous police trials: Finish the consent decree

Two names are linked in the history of Chicago policing because of one deadly moment in 2014: Officer Jason Van Dyke, a white policeman, exited his patrol vehicle and fired 16 shots at Laquan McDonald, killing the African-American teenager.

Van Dyke and McDonald — murderer and victim.

Last week, two related cases concluded with seemingly contradictory results about Chicago Police Department actions in the McDonald shooting. On Thursday, a trio of officers was acquitted of charges they tried to cover up for Van Dyke's misconduct. On Friday, Van Dyke was sentenced to nearly seven years in prison for his conviction in a separate trial for second-degree murder.

The trials were sensational yet narrowly focused. The public, police and other officials can applaud or decry the results: That a judge in the cover-up case rightly ruled on the evidence — or failed to hold three officers responsible for the police code of silence. That a judge in the Van Dyke case meted out appropriate punishment — or let the officer off the hook. Chicagoans are free to debate the outcomes but also their meaning.

What should have the greatest impact on CPD is not what occurred in those courtrooms. It's what happens next — soon, we anticipate — with the completion of a consent decree that will lock in place federal oversight of Chicago police reforms.

The killing of Laquan McDonald, captured on video released after a lengthy legal battle, paradoxically set Chicago on this new path to fixing police dysfunction. We count six previous times since 1960 that a City Hall task force or blue-ribbon panel promised Chicago the high-performing,



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Former Chicago police Officer Jason Van Dyke, center, at his sentencing hearing at the Leighton Criminal Court Building last week.

trustworthy Police Department it deserves. Six times. Every attempt to rid CPD of rogue officers, improve training and heal broken relations with minority communities failed.

In the wake of McDonald's killing and other incidents, the city tried a seventh time to enact training and oversight reforms. This time, a U.S. Justice Department investigation also nailed the department for misuse of force, and lax oversight and accountability. This time, Mayor Rahm Emanuel agreed to negotiate a consent

decree that brings a federal judge and independent monitor into the process of overseeing reforms.

Training, supervision and accountability all will be part of the document. Policing fairly, with courtesy and dignity, and without bias is in the draft version of the consent decree. *Holding public servants accountable when they violate law or policy* is in it too.

Given the list of past officers accused of wrongdoing, the weak efforts at reform and the challenge of fighting crime in a violent city, we aren't expecting a miracu-

lous reinvention of Chicago policing. The local Fraternal Order of Police is resisting the consent decree, though its court challenge so far has been rebuffed. Each promise in the decree has to be converted into a policy. And then the culture of the department has to change. Consent decrees are long-term documents.

The sooner this one gets rolling, the better off Chicago will be. Laquan McDonald's killing was a needless tragedy. But it also will lead to improved policing.

Chicago aldermen, thinking alike or misleading voters?

Chicagoans know their aldermen to be thoughtful. But when two aldermen are almost identically thoughtful in responding to Tribune Editorial Board questionnaires, voters have to wonder if someone's misleading them.

The questionnaires are crucial to our endorsement process. We appreciate the extensive effort many candidates make to articulate their policy positions, their hopes for their wards, how they would improve Chicago. We ask basic questions many Chicagoans would ask candidates if given the chance. And to assist those voters, we post responses at chicagotribune.com/candidates.

For example, here's how Ald. Derrick Curtis, 18th, began his answer to our first question: *Why should voters elect you and not your opponents?*

"This term, I took key votes that stabilized our city's financial future and advanced economic development across the City from taking the hare (sic) votes to fund our pension funds...."

How did Ald. Michelle Harris, 8th, answer that question? "This term, I took key votes that stabilized our city's financial future and advanced economic development across the City. From taking the

hard votes to fund our pension funds,...."

Hmm. Same answer. Probably a coincidence. The two aldermen's responses had arrived at the Tribune 71 minutes apart.

Second question: *What do you see as the city's number one challenge in the next four years?*

Curtis: "Our City has made great strides in stabilizing our finances, but the job isn't done. In the next four years...."

Harris: "Our City has made great strides in stabilizing our finances, but the job isn't done. In the next four years...."

Gosh, another coincidence.

And another. And another. As you'll see online, we had posed nine questions most candidates could readily answer — *how Chicago Public Schools should react to shrinking enrollment, your game plan for reducing violent crime, the pension crisis, eradicating lead from drinking water, how aldermen can be more independent of the mayor's office...*

Word for word, Curtis and Harris agreed



Harris



Curtis

in whole or in large measure on every answer.

Why would anyone do that to Chicago voters trying to evaluate candidates?

Top officials of both campaigns told us they didn't know what had happened. But both

campaigns had hired the same campaign consultant. Maybe the consultant would know.

This consultant is well-known, having handled Democratic candidates for statewide and legislative offices. But the consultant either has trouble responding to voicemails or doesn't want to tell us how this happened. We'll keep trying.

Ald. Harris called us to say, "My campaign sought some advice" but that her posted responses "reflect exactly how I feel."

Ald. Curtis called us to say "I'm really just trying to unravel it." He said he didn't copy anything from anyone, adding, "Everything I said on that paper is absolutely true."

But that's not the issue here, is it, aldermen? If the statements next to your

names, and your photographs, in fact are statements of a word merchant you hired, what does that say about your management skills? What does that say about your fitness to help run a \$9 billion-a-year City Hall?

And most important, what does that say about your regard for Chicago voters? What are they supposed to do with somebody else's answers passed off as yours? You say that you agree with what someone submitted in your name. But how would you have answered if you would have answered?

On Feb. 26 you'll answer to voters misled by all of this.

Similar cases have happened before. In 2016, state Sen. Dan McConchie, R-Hawthorn Woods, and Dawn Abernathy of Mundelein, a GOP candidate for the Illinois House, turned in Tribune surveys with strikingly similar answers. McConchie apologized and called it "embarrassing." He said they shared a campaign adviser and followed a questionnaire template a little too closely.

Note to Chicago mayoral candidates who want to halve the 50-member City Council: Maybe start with aldermen who think almost identically alike.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Ohio Democratic Party Chairman David Pepper was asked this past fall whether Ohio was becoming a reliably red state. "This November will answer that question," he answered. Well, it certainly did.

For the seventh time in eight elections, Ohioans elected a Republican governor. GOP candidates swept all five statewide executive offices for the sixth time in seven elections.

Between 1970 and 1990, Democrats won 22 of 27 (81.5 percent) of the executive offices.

Since 1990, Republicans have won 33 of 41 (80.5 percent).

For well more than a century, Ohio not only voted most often of any state for the winning presidential candidate (28 of 30 times between 1896 and 2012), but it also deviated the least of any state from the national, two-party voting average.

That run is over. Ohio now votes like a red state. ... While Ohio is located about 1,400 miles from the Mexican border, Ohioans identified immigration as the second-most-important issue in the 2018 election. Among those highly concerned about immigration, now-Gov. Mike DeWine (R) won 83 percent of their votes. ...

After the 2018 elections, Dave Betras, Democratic chairman in Mahoning County, which includes Youngstown, remarked, "I don't know how you can call (the state) anything but red. At one time a guy who showered after work and not before used to be reliably blue, and I'm not sure they are anymore."

Mike Dawson, *The Washington Post*

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THE STATE OF THE UNION ~ SUCH AS IT IS...

Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE



BRYAN WOOLSTON/AP

Some students from Covington Catholic High School in Park Hills, Ky., are taking some undeserved flak following a confrontation in Washington last week.

Give the Covington kids a break — those MAGA hats aren't markers of a permanent worldview



STEVE CHAPMAN

In my youth, I had all the makings of a future supporter of Donald Trump. I grew up in Texas, attended segregated public schools and went to a conservative Presbyterian church every Sunday.

I cheered Richard Nixon at a 1968 campaign rally. When I moved into my freshman college dorm, I hung a Confederate flag on the wall. I subscribed to Human Events, a hard-right weekly that was the closest thing we had to Fox News.

In short, I looked much like the prevailing liberal image of the boys from Covington Catholic, if not worse. If modern social media and current standards had been around then, I would have been deemed vile and irredeemable at a young age.

I don't claim to be in perfect concord with Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, but suffice to say, my views have changed a great deal in the intervening decades — a source of amusement to my wife, who knew me as a hardcore right-winger in high school.

If you had described Barack Obama

to me back then and asked if I could imagine voting for him in the distant future, I would have scoffed. If you had told me I would someday take a favorable view of feminism or Black Lives Matter, I would have questioned your sanity. But all those came to pass.

When videos emerged of the encounter at the Lincoln Memorial involving the Kentucky teenagers, a group of black radicals and a Native American activist, social media boiled over with fury at the students. The entire group was depicted as privileged racists hostile to women and minorities who deserved to be named, shamed, harassed, ostracized and even physically attacked.

I am not here to relitigate each frame of the footage. I do not rise in defense of "Make America Great Again" hats, anti-abortion marches, the tomahawk chop or any identification with Donald Trump.

My point is that even those who strongly disapprove of these kids and their action should not write them off. They are high school students, which almost by definition means they are deficient in knowledge, judgment and experience. Given those shortcomings, they are prone to mistaken opinions and unwise choices, just as every previous generation of teenagers was.

Liberals should not feel too superior in this respect. As a high school stu-

dent, I saw antiwar protesters waving the flag of the Viet Cong, which at the time was killing Americans. I remember college kids wearing Che Guevara T-shirts. Some on the left defended the bombings carried out by the Weather Underground.

When Saigon fell to the communists in 1975, The Harvard Crimson published an editorial declaring, "The victory of the Vietnamese National Liberation Front is a victory, first of all, for the people of Vietnam. Americans, who played a crucial role in forcing their government to withdraw from Indochina, should rejoice in the Vietnamese triumph."

As a dissenting member of the Crimson Editorial Board, I knew many of those who approved that piece, which included some who professed to be Marxists or Maoists. I am happy to report that none, to my knowledge, became card-carrying communists or violent extremists. In fact, all that I know of went on to lead responsible, productive lives.

Back then, plenty of people on the left said and did things that might be construed as repellent and unforgivable. But they were granted the opportunity to outgrow their youthful folly, rather than being treated as incurably wicked.

The Covington kids should have the same opportunity to mature and learn

as they grow into adulthood. They don't deserve to be pilloried, much less punched, for views that they may someday revise or reject.

Not that we actually know those views. A white high school boy might wear a MAGA hat without being fully enamored of Trump and without fully appreciating how other people may perceive it.

Humans are complicated creatures, and adolescents are still unformed. It's ignorant and irresponsible to assume that these boys, or anyone else, can be definitively categorized based on the surface traits we see.

One advocate in my youth knew as much. He urged each person "to discover the element of good in his enemy, and every time you begin to hate that person and think of hating that person, realize that there is some good there and look at those good points which will over-balance the bad points."

Americans commemorated the birthday of that man, Martin Luther King Jr., on Monday, but not many were heeding his advice.

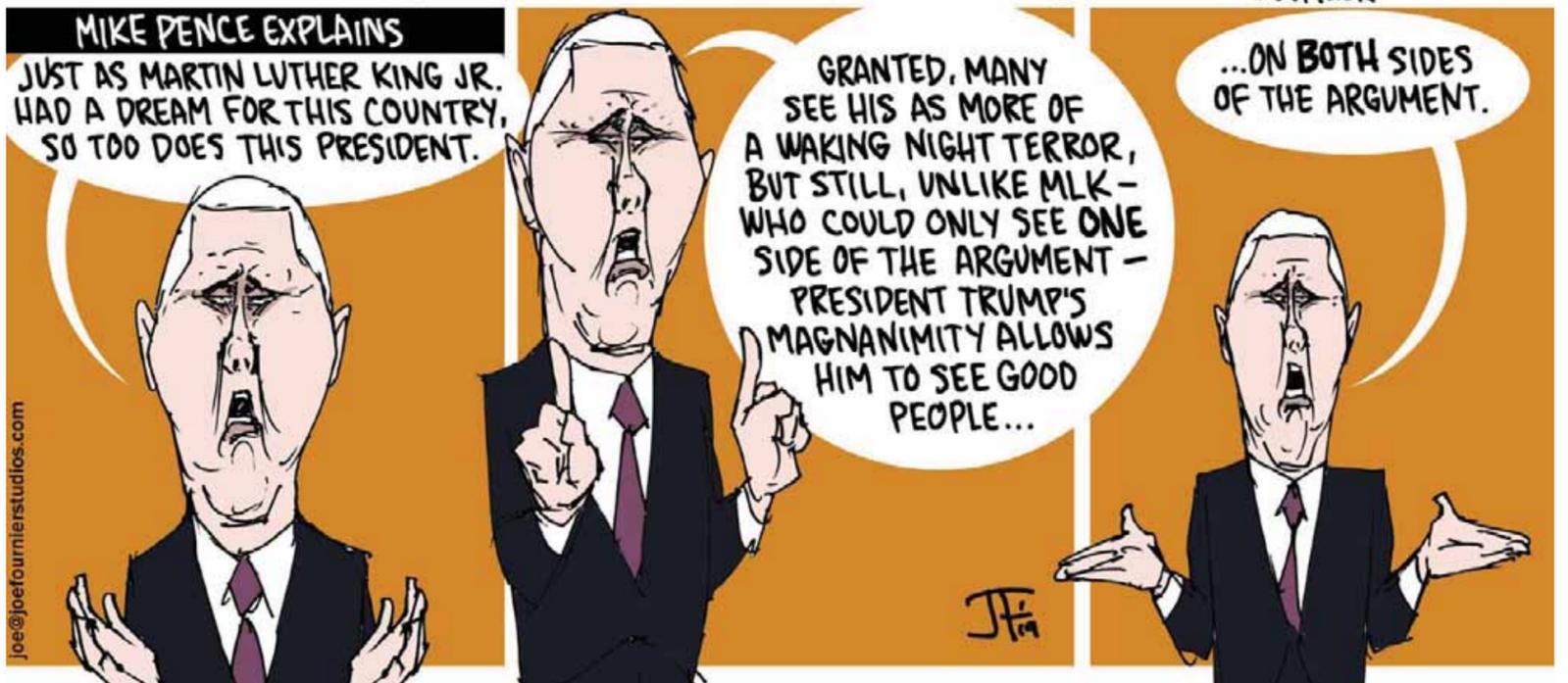
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More older Americans in the workplace may be a sign that retirement is becoming unaffordable for many.

Dwindling birth rate, fewer skilled immigrants will make retiring harder

BY NOAH SMITH

Traditionally, Americans could look forward to a comfortable retirement. After four decades in an office or a factory, sometime in their 60s they would lay down their burdens and enjoy a final couple of decades with time to relax, spend time with family and friends, and reflect on their lives. But since the financial crisis, older Americans have been increasingly staying in the workplace.

Some see this as a positive trend, because it adds to the economy. But others rightfully view it with trepidation, because there's the distinct possibility that many of these elderly people just can't afford to retire. Whether their nest eggs were wiped out in the housing crash or they just didn't save enough or their kids don't make enough money to support them, the decline of retirement seems like an ominous development.

The pressures on older Americans to work will likely become only greater in the coming years. This is because the young, working population needed to support retirees will see slower growth, and possibly outright shrinkage.

As recently as 10 years ago, the U.S. had unusually high fertility rates for a developed nation. The total fertility rate — the number of children a woman can be expected to have over her lifetime — was about 2.1 children per woman, which is the level required for long-term population stability. But since then, the rate has fallen to 1.8 in 2016, implying long-term population shrinkage.

Much of this is due to a fall in fertility among Hispanics, whose birth rates are converging with those of other groups. The Great Recession was undoubtedly a trigger as well; permanently lower expectations of income and wealth made child rearing seem like a more financially daunting prospect.

Fewer kids means, eventually, fewer young workers to support an increasing population of retirees. This will result in less money being paid into the Social Security and Medicare systems, requiring either cuts in benefits, a higher retirement age or ever-ballooning deficits. History sug-

gests that Americans will be asked to work longer.

The U.S. bounced back from falling fertility once before, in the late 1980s. But as economist Lyman Stone has written, there are reasons why history may not repeat itself. High and increasing costs of housing, child care and education show no sign of reversing. The need for ever-higher levels of education to thrive in the U.S. job market is causing families to delay childbirth, which results in fewer children. Stone projects that U.S. fertility rates could fall as low as 1.5 or 1.4 — the levels that prevail in Japan and some European countries.

There is another source of population growth that the U.S. has traditionally depended on: immigration. Low-skilled immigrants make it easier to raise kids by providing cheap child care services. High-skilled immigrants earn more and pay a lot of taxes, while using few government services themselves, meaning that their fiscal contribution is enormously positive.

But low-skilled immigration to the U.S. has declined, meaning that more expensive child care is on the horizon. And high-skilled immigration may soon taper off, as President Donald Trump's policies and rhetoric make the country less hospitable for the world's best and brightest.

In other words, the U.S. may soon find itself without its two big long-term population boosters and wind up as a graying, shrinking nation, with young people burdened with supporting ever-more old people, and the elderly themselves forced to work long into what used to be the golden years.

In this, the U.S. will be following in Japan's footsteps. Japan has had low fertility for much longer than the U.S., and until recently had little immigration. Even now, although immigration has been increased, it's mostly of the low-skilled variety. With uncompetitive low salaries and an ossified corporate culture, Japan has had great difficulty attracting high-skilled foreigners.

As a result, the country's social security system has come under great strain. As the country grew older and older, Japan repeatedly raised the retirement age, cut

benefits and raised taxes on the working population. It also created a wage subsidy for elderly employment, and allowed older people to claim higher total benefits if they delayed their retirements.

This combination of carrots and sticks successfully pushed older Japanese people to stay in the labor force. Both men and women ages 60 through 64 began working much more than before, while employment levels for people ages 65 through 69 recovered to the high levels that had prevailed before Japan's lost decade in the 1990s. People over 65 are estimated to have raised the country's employment levels by about 2 million since the economic recovery began in 2012.

This is being hailed as a miracle or good news in some quarters. And it's true that putting armies of old people to work has helped Japan arrest its economic stagnation despite its lack of skilled immigration or young people. But is this really the solution that the U.S. should want? Is putting grandma and grandpa behind a store counter or in an office into their late 60s and 70s a victory, or a grim necessity?

If the U.S. wants to avoid Japan's fate, it needs to take steps to avoid Japan's population structure. Urgent measures to make housing cheaper, such as those suggested by U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., should be paired with generous child tax credits and universal pre-K education, in order to bring down the costs of having children. And the U.S. should emphatically reverse course on Trump's policies toward skilled immigrants, dramatically expanding the number of employment-based green cards and implementing a Canadian-style points-based system for letting in large numbers of skilled foreigners.

Keeping a healthy, stable population of productive young workers is better than working until we drop.

Bloomberg

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African-American women will be the key voters in 2020

BY DONNA F. EDWARDS

On Saturday, after a couple of hours in the hair salon — always a couple of hours — the 2020 election started taking shape for me. Women. Women of color. Black women.

I listened to the banter, a lively combination of speculation about HBO's "Game of Thrones," furloughed federal workers canceling appointments, Women's March politics, President Donald Trump's wall and more. One point of agreement: If the White Walkers can breach the mammoth ice wall across the north of Westeros, then a wall along our southern border is surely a waste of money.

My salon, and thousands like it across the country, is where the 2020 election will be decided.

For Democrats, the quest to win the 2020 primary and general elections flows through the vibrant conversations of black women on a Saturday morning — a time and place of unvarnished truth among women of all classes and life experiences. Ask Hillary Clinton: Women of color voted overwhelmingly for her in 2016, including 69 percent of Latino women and 94 percent of black women in the general election, slightly less than for President Barack Obama in 2012. One big problem, though. Turnout was down among African-American voters in key states. To reach the White House, Clinton needed more of these women in Philadelphia, Detroit and Milwaukee.

Conversely, many white women continue to stick with the GOP. President Trump narrowly won white women in 2016 (it was women of color who gave Clinton her significant edge with women overall), while the parties ran about even with them in House elections in 2018. Democrats did manage to peel away more college-educated white women in the 2018 midterms, some fertile ground for 2020 growth. Since the 2016 defeat, it has been the strength of the black women's vote that has driven victories in statewide and down-ballot races for Democrats — including the much-celebrated record number of diverse women in the new Congress.

Why are these facts so important for a crowded 2020 Democratic presidential primary field? Simple — the numbers clearly show that the real juice for Democrats rests with women of color. No candidate can ignore black women in the primary season and still hope to engage them after winning the party nomination — that won't fly. Black women are the most reliable base of the Democratic Party. To win this base in the primary, and then fully mobilize it in a general election, the candidates will need to listen to the women in the hair salons.

In 2020, some may write off

identity politics, but for many women/women of color/black women, identity is politics.

When black women think of the wage gap, they know that they make 63 cents for every dollar made by their white male counterparts. (For Latino women, it's 54 cents; for white women, it's 79 cents.)

When black women consider their health care, they experience that their sisters and mothers die of breast and cervical cancer, heart disease and diabetes at greater rates than white women and that their fertility is impacted disproportionately by uterine fibroids, premature delivery and inadequate access to reproductive care.

When black women look at their economic prospects, they know they stare down over \$10,000 more in college debt than white men do — overall, women hold about \$400 billion more in college debt than men. In overall wealth, too, black women lag significantly behind. How can you have security when you don't have income and savings?

These are the politics of a black woman's identity. Already, Democratic candidates entering the presidential race have acknowledged the importance of women, women of color, black women in their pathways to victory. With this week's entry of Sen. Kamala Harris of California, some candidates may be tempted to write off their chances of capturing the votes of black women. That would be a mistake. These voters are listening.

Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren's announcement framed her economic-populist message to appeal to women, pointing to an economy that has failed women of color. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand of New York made a head-on pitch to women as a mom with a record of fighting for gender equality. Sen. Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota may soon join the field.

But this work cannot be left to this fine array of female candidates — in 2020, this is men's work too. After Iowa and New Hampshire, the road to success in the South goes through the votes of black women. But remember: women/women of color/black women are not a monolith — they are individuals, and they want to be fought for. Every candidate must wage that battle.

I don't pretend to know who will win the Democratic nomination. But I do know that if he or she ultimately makes it to the White House, it's going to be on the strength and support of black women. The time to start reaching out to them is now.

The Washington Post

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Charges in McDonald case justified

Following the coverage of the trials of Jason Van Dyke, Thomas Gaffney, Joseph Walsh and David March involving the death of Laquan McDonald and the alleged cover-up, I heard a recurring theme that I find deeply troubling. I heard it during the closing argument from Van Dyke's defense attorneys, implied during some of the testimony in Van Dyke's sentencing hearing and again from the lawyers defending the three police officers now acquitted of conspiracy. "This trial should never have happened."

Even if you believe that the shooting of McDonald was justified and that the treatment of video evidence was just part of a series of well-intended administrative bungles, to say that it was inappropriate to bring charges against these officers is deeply disturbing. Police officers are entrusted with the use of deadly force for the public good. If we have reason to believe that force is misused, we have not only the right but also the obligation to call

that into question and bring those public servants to account for their actions.

— Rachel Combs, Chicago

Agents of truth?

Regarding the acquittal of the three Chicago police officers: Why require police to file a police report if you don't require them to tell the truth?

— Bill Breymeyer, Burr Ridge

'Code of silence' continues

I have the greatest respect for the devoted police officers who daily risk their own personal safety to do their jobs of protecting the public.

However, Associate Judge Domenica Stephenson's horrendous decision this past Thursday has killed any serious examination of the infamous Chicago police "code of silence" for the foreseeable future and probably set race relations and community-police relations in Chicago back for at least a generation. After her attacks on and discounting of the

testimony of police Officer Dora Fontaine, how could any future possible whistleblowing police officer ever consider coming forward to reveal the abuse he or she has witnessed? And why in the world would any well-meaning Chicago citizen come forward to report witnessed police abuse in light of Stephenson's discounting of the testimony of citizen eyewitnesses?

The city, its reputation, and its future race and community-police relations suffered a terrible wounding blow Thursday.

— Robert E. Stanley, Highland Park

Stark contrast in punishment

I was numb when I heard the prison sentence of 81 months given to Jason Van Dyke by Judge Vincent Gaughan. Van Dyke is a trained police officer supposedly experienced and knowledgeable about the use of lethal force when on the job. The dashboard camera footage did not show evidence for the use of lethal force against Laquan McDonald. Van Dyke

could have handled McDonald's refusal to stop walking and his defiance to respond to the officers quite differently.

Hadiya Pendleton was killed in 2013. Micheal Ward, a young black man, was convicted and sentenced to 84 years for Hadiya's murder. There is no explanation that can justify the difference in these two sentences for the murder of a human being. Both murder victims were young black people from Chicago with lives to live. Their young life experiences are very different, but they both came from families that cared for and loved them. The primary difference is the backgrounds of their convicted killers. The criminal justice system and these judges send the message that the life of a young black man is worth less than the life of a white man. We demand a criminal justice system that is fair to all.

— Yvonne Smith, Evanston

Distortion of facts

Nina Vinik's commentary ("Concealed carry doesn't guarantee our safety; it puts us at greater risk," Jan. 17) distorted a few facts.

While it is true firearms were involved in nearly 40,000 deaths, almost 24,000, or 60 percent, of those were suicides. Ms. Vinik's design seems to be to lead the reader to think guns are the problem, not the people who violate laws. Criminal minds care less about the law than the man in the moon. If the judiciary had more respect for justice, it would impose the proper sentence on gun law transgressors. But when prosecutors plea bargain and judges slap wrists, you wind up with articles like Ms. Vinik's, which misrepresent the facts and the real problem.

— Dennis A. Pyzyna, Arlington Heights

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Shutdown could prompt zero growth

White House top economist has dire forecast for nation

BY DAMIAN PALETTA
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The White House's top economist on Wednesday said the economy could completely stall in the first three months of 2019 if the government shutdown does not end, drawing a sharp contrast with the rosy economic picture President Donald Trump has tried to paint during the

monthlong funding lapse.

Kevin Hassett, chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, was asked in a CNN interview if the economy's growth rate for the first quarter of the year could fall to 0 percent if policymakers don't step in soon.

"Yes, we could" see that, he said. "If it extended for the whole quarter, and given the fact that the first quarter (growth rate) tends to be low because of residual seasonality, then you could end up with a number very close to zero in the first quarter."

It represented the most dire forecast yet from a Trump administration official on the shutdown's economic toll.

The U.S. economy rarely stalls or contracts, and a growth rate of 0 percent would be a sharp fall from its performance last year.

Trump has pushed his aides to pursue policies that grow the economy by 3 percent or 4 percent per year, and the economy is expected to have grown by close to 3 percent in 2018, in part because of tax cuts and spending increases advocated by the White House.

In a Twitter post on Tuesday, Trump wrote that "The United States has a great economic story to tell. Number one in the World, by far!"

The United States has long been the largest economy in the world, though it's unclear what precise calculation he was referring to in his post.

White House officials say the partial government shutdown is stripping away roughly 0.1 percent of economic growth per week. Growth for the first quarter



JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP

White House economist Kevin Hassett said the economy could completely stall in the first quarter of 2019.

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Laura Pekarik is suing the city of Chicago, alleging its ordinance controlling food truck operations is unconstitutional.

Food truck wars

Illinois Supreme Court to decide on constitutionality of Chicago's regulations on restaurants' mobile competitors

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ | Chicago Tribune

The fate of Chicago's food truck scene rests in the hands of the Illinois Supreme Court, which in the coming months will decide if city regulations meant to protect restaurants from their wheeled competitors are unconstitutional.

The state's highest court heard oral arguments in Springfield Wednesday in the long-running battle by food trucks to overturn restrictions they say unfairly suppress competition.

Despite losing twice in the lower courts, Cupcakes for Courage owner Laura Pekarik, who brought the lawsuit in 2012, said she is confident she will prevail.

"What's right is right, and you can't protect one industry from another," said Pekarik, who started her cupcake business out of a food truck and now runs two bakeries in the suburbs.

Chicago food truck operators say the city's restrictions have driven entrepre-

neurs out of business and stunted the local scene even as it has thrived elsewhere in the nation. About 65 food trucks actively operate in Chicago, half the number that regularly roamed the streets before the city ordinance was adopted in 2012, estimates Gabriel Wiesen, president of the Illinois Food Truck Association and owner of Beavers Donuts, which operates three food trucks and a store in the French Market.

Pekarik's lawsuit claims a rule prohibiting food trucks from parking within 200 feet of any establishment that serves food — a category that includes convenience stores with hot dog rollers — forces food trucks to make conces-



A customer purchases food from a food truck along Wacker Drive in Chicago.

sions to help their bricks-and-mortar competitors succeed. Another part of the law that mandates food trucks carry GPS devices so that the city can track their whereabouts constitutes a "warrantless search" and violates privacy protections, the suit claims.

The city argues that the 200-foot rule "balances" the interests of restaurants and

food trucks and has other public benefits, including preventing pedestrian congestion on sidewalks and incentivizing trucks to go to underserved areas of the city with fewer dining options.

"The purpose is not to suppress competition but to protect the many benefits that

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"What's right is right, and you can't protect one industry from another."

Cupcakes for Courage owner **Laura Pekarik**

Walgreens agrees to pay U.S. \$269M

Settlements cover allegations over improper billing

BY CHRIS DOLMETSCH AND ROBERT LANGRETH
Bloomberg

Walgreens Boots Alliance agreed to pay \$269.2 million to settle U.S. claims that the drugstore chain defrauded a federally funded health care program over insulin drugs and a consumer-discount initiative.

The two settlements, announced Tuesday, cover allegations over improper billing. In the first one, the company agreed to pay \$209.2 million to resolve claims it billed Medicare, Medicaid and other programs for hundreds of thousands of insulin pens it distributed to people who didn't need them. In the second, Walgreens said it would pay \$60 million for overbilling Medicaid by not disclosing lower drug prices it offered in a discount program.

The accords come as scrutiny of health care costs increases across the country. The Trump administration has been focused on trying to drive down prescription-drug costs, and lawmakers on both sides of the aisle have introduced bills aimed at capping pharmaceutical prices. States including California have also floated plans to try to rein in spending on prescription drugs.

Walgreens is also confronting an increasingly competitive retail and pharmacy landscape after rival CVS Health Corp. agreed to acquire health insurer Aetna and Amazon.com bought online pharmacy PillPack.

"Overbilling and improper billing of Medicare and Medicaid unduly burden taxpayers and put the solvency of these vital health-care programs at risk," U.S. Attorney Geoffrey Berman in Manhattan said in a statement. The company "admitted and accepted responsibility for the conduct the government alleged in its complaints under the False Claims Act."

Walgreens said in a statement that it is pleased to

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Kraft Heinz makes play for spotlight with racy Devour Super Bowl ad

BY MAE ANDERSON
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Sex sells ... frozen food dishes?

Kraft Heinz Co.'s frozen food brand Devour is trying to make waves during its Super Bowl debut with an ad that takes a humorous, innuendo-packed jab at one man's "porn addiction" — as in "frozen food porn."

Super Bowl ads have long used raunchiness and sex to stand out during advertising's biggest stage. Think Cindy Crawford downing a

Pepsi wearing skimpy shorts in 1992 or the 2013 GoDaddy ad that showed a squeamishly close-up shot of a kiss. But advertisers have largely toned it down in recent years, focusing instead on crowd-pleasing approaches using animals, humor or celebrities. Raunchy ads risk offending or polarizing a company's intended target audience.

That's likely to happen with Devour's ad, said Allen Adamson, co-founder of the branding consultancy MetaForce.

"Male millennials may get a yuck out of it, but it is going to do very little to sell any products," he said. "It's more likely to do more damage than good for the actual brand."

So why take the risk? The stakes are high as a 30-second ad can cost more than a reported \$5 million.

"It's an example of the intense pressure on marketers to at all costs say 'Hey look at me,'" he said. "There's nothing worse than spending \$5 million and having no one notice."

Devour released a 60-second "uncensored" version online Wednesday and plans a toned-down, 30-second version during the Feb. 3 game. Devour isn't giving details on what it's cutting, beyond saying it won't use the word "porn." Even so, Adamson said, it can backfire because the suggestive message doesn't tie in closely with the product itself.

In the uncensored version, a woman talks about

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KRAFT HEINZ CO.

Devour brand's Super Bowl spot shows a woman struggling with her boyfriend's "frozen food porn addiction."



BOEING CO.

Boeing's autonomous passenger air vehicle prototype is seen in Manassas, Va. The electric craft has a range of as much as 50 miles, the plane-maker said.

Boeing's flying car completes 1st test flight

BY ANURAG KOTOKY
AND JULIE JOHNSON
Bloomberg News

A Boeing flying car designed to whisk passengers over congested city streets and dodge skyscrapers completed its first test flight on Tuesday, offering a peek into the future of urban transportation the aerospace giant and others are seeking to reshape.

A prototype of its autonomous passenger air vehicle completed a controlled takeoff, hover and landing during the test conducted in Manassas, Va., about 30 miles southwest of Washington, D.C., Boeing said in a statement Wednesday.

Propelled by electricity, the model is designed for fully autonomous flight, with a range of as much as 50 miles, the maker of military and commercial jets said.

The Chicago-based plane-maker and archival

Airbus are two of the many companies racing to stake a claim on flying cars and parcel-hauling drones, which have the potential to be the next disruption to sweep the aerospace industry. Boeing's push was boosted by a 2017 acquisition of Aurora Flight Sciences, whose projects include a new flying taxi it is developing with Uber Technologies.

Others are also rushing rotorcraft concepts to market. Vahana, the self-piloting air taxi developed by A3, Airbus' tech-centric Silicon Valley outpost, completed its first test flight last year. Intel and EHang are also testing their flying vehicles.

Morgan Stanley analysts, in their most bullish estimates, predict such technology could lead to a \$2.9 trillion industry by 2040, while their most pessimistic view pegs the value at about \$615 billion.

Boeing's urban air mobility arm, Boeing NeXt, enlisted Aurora to design and develop the prototype. The company didn't say if the model is the one being developed for Uber. Boeing NeXt's portfolio also includes a fully electric cargo air vehicle — designed to transport as much as 500 pounds — which completed its first indoor flight last year and is slated for outdoor testing this year.

Future flights of the 30-foot-long and 28-foot-wide PAV prototype will test forward, wing-borne flight and the transition phase between vertical and forward-flight modes, according to the Boeing statement. The company will also continue testing to advance safety and reliability of the aircraft, it said.

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Tech firm Vistex doubling Chicago-area workforce

BY ROBERT CHANNICK
Chicago Tribune

Vistex — a suburban tech firm whose CEO, Sanjay Shah, is perhaps best known for paying a then-record \$17 million for the penthouse at Chicago's Trump International Hotel & Tower — is getting up to \$105 million from a private equity firm and plans to double its Chicago staff in the next few years.

The investment will allow the company to open an office in Chicago and is a stepping stone for the 20-year-old company to go public, said Shah, 50, who has yet to move into his Trump Tower digs.

"This is not a payday for us," Shah said. "This is really to invest more in the business so we can launch into going public someday and build a larger company."

Vistex, which provides business software for companies such as Whirlpool, Walmart, Apple and 3M, generates \$250 million in annual revenue, but is far from a household name, Shah said. "Not a lot of folks have heard about Vistex," he said.

The company has grown into a worldwide operation with 1,500 employees in 20 offices. The investment from Silicon Valley private equity firm Accel-KKR includes an initial \$65 million for a minority stake in Vistex, and an option for an additional \$40 million.

Shah said the funding will enable him to hire new sales, marketing and engineering talent, doubling the Chicago-area staff to 600 over the next two to three years.

In addition, the company, which is housed in an 80,000-square-foot building in Hoffman Estates,



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plans to open a satellite office in Chicago — probably in the tech-heavy Fulton Market district — within the year to accommodate employees who live downtown, Shah said. The shift from the suburbs to the city is a growing trend among companies seeking to appeal to a younger workforce. But Shah, a South Barrington resident, has not been so quick to make the move to Chicago, with his Trump Tower penthouse suite still unoccupied.

Shah gained some notoriety in December 2014 when he bought the unfinished 89th-floor penthouse for \$17 million, then a record for Chicago residential real estate. That transaction has since been eclipsed by several others, topped by hedge fund billionaire Ken Griffin's \$58.5 million acquisition of a Gold Coast condo last year.

The penthouse deal took nearly two years to negotiate with the Trump Organization — mostly with son Eric Trump — and the agreement includes the signature of Donald Trump, who spoke to Shah only after it closed.

"When I made this in-

vestment, I had no inkling of what was to come," Shah said.

Shah said he is not thrilled by the controversy surrounding the Trump administration, and by extension the building emblazoned with the president's name in 20-foot letters. He nonetheless remains bullish on his investment in the 14,260-square-foot full-floor penthouse, which includes five bedrooms and a 360-degree view of the city.

Shah has yet to build out the space, but he uses it for events, including his recent 50th birthday party. He has no plans to sell it, but no timetable to occupy it either.

An Indian immigrant who came to the U.S. in 1988 to get his MBA at Pennsylvania's Lehigh University, Shah moved to Chicago in 1993 to work for giant software firm SAP.

His success, he said, can be an inspiration to both Chicago tech entrepreneurs, and others who follow in his footsteps.

"I was born in India, and I'm living the American dream," Shah said.

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Food trucks' fate in hands of state Supreme Court

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bricks-and-mortar restaurants bring to Chicago: tax revenue, jobs, they make a major contribution to tourism and bring cultural contributions to the city," city attorney Suzanne Loose argued in court Wednesday. She added: "This balancing is proper, even when some competition is suppressed."

The GPS mandate, Loose argued, is "simply a record-keeping requirement" so that the city can conduct inspections and ensure regulatory compliance on mobile businesses with no static address. The data, maintained by the GPS provider, has not been accessed by the city yet, she said.

But Pekarik's attorney, Robert Frommer of the Institute for Justice in Arlington, Va., argued in court that the "incidental" public benefits of the law cannot justify what he called "blatant discrimination" against food trucks and "blatant protectionism." Other businesses that cause congestion aren't prohibited from setting up shop near restaurants, he said, and data show most food trucks don't go to underserved areas despite the rule because they don't make money there.

Allowing cities to restrict competition for "imagined" public benefit could have downstream consequences, he said.

"No matter the industry, officials could hobble newcomers to protect entrenched existing groups who they claim are important, too," Frommer told the court.

A state Appellate Court in late 2017 affirmed a trial court's decision to uphold the rules, writing that the city has a "critical interest in maintaining a thriving food service industry of which brick-and-mortar establishments are an essential part."

Bill McCaffrey, spokesman for the city's Law Department, declined to comment on the pending litigation except to issue a statement: "Chicago's food truck ordinance has already withstood the scrutiny of two courts. More importantly, the regulations strike the right balance between



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Trucks line up to serve workers, pedestrians and tourists along Wacker Drive in Chicago this week.

the interests of food trucks and restaurants and create a healthy environment in which both can flourish."

For Frommer, a Libertarian, the debate boils down to the nature of competition.

"It's not government's job to pick the winners and losers," Frommer said last week. "That's the job of consumers."

Diners craving a lobster roll or tamale dished from a truck window can only find them in select spots downtown. The vast majority of the Loop is off-limits to food trucks because of the 200-foot rule, creating stiff competition for the few available spots that some have likened to a "wild west" environment.

Downtown office workers like Shaun Metro, 31, wish there were more around.

"They offer variety," Metro, who works in IT, said as he worked in a turkey sandwich from the Fat Shallot food truck parked at Monroe and Wacker, one of the few Loop spots where they are permitted. He believes food trucks likely do take business from restaurants and "I think there has to be some type of control, but it



Laura Pekarik, owner of Cupcakes for Courage Bakery, is a plaintiff in a lawsuit against the city of Chicago.

trucks in Chicago today, 78 of which can cook food on board, compared to 110 a year ago and 115 in 2012, before the ordinance took effect. Since 2013 food trucks have been issued 15 citations for violating the 200-foot rule and 10 for overstaying the 2-hour time limit, according to the department, which primarily responds to consumer complaints. The city held 43 food truck festivals last year in Daley Plaza and Pioneer Court, it added.

But Wiesen, of the Illinois Food Trucks Association, said many of licensed trucks are not operating.

The city has established stands where food trucks

can gather, but most are in locations with poor foot traffic and the few downtown can only accommodate a truck or two, said Wiesen.

"It's been extremely cumbersome and has limited the number of food trucks that can operate," he said.

Chicago ranked 13th, out of 20, in a report last year from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce that analyzed cities' regulatory environments for food trucks. Portland, Ore., Denver, Orlando, Philadelphia, and Indianapolis topped the list as friendliest to food trucks. Boston, Washington D.C., San Francisco, Minneap-

lis, and Seattle were deemed most challenging.

Though the licensing process in Chicago isn't as onerous as in other cities, "the experience of operating a food truck in Chicago is perhaps one of the most difficult in the country," the report said.

Pekarik ceased her regular food truck route because the limited parking prevented her from promising customers she would be in a certain location, and she feared getting a ticket. Violations of the ordinance carry a penalties of \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Her cupcake truck is now used only for catering or special events and most of Pekarik's business comes from her storefronts in Elmhurst and Oak Park. But if the city eases its restrictions "my truck will definitely go on the road like it used to," she said.

The Illinois Restaurant Association supports the 200-foot rule as "fair" to restaurants that have to pay property taxes and abide by regulations of their own.

"Every business has to follow zoning restrictions, and we just feel this is a zoning restriction," said Sam Toia, CEO of the trade group, which represents

restaurants as well as some food trucks.

Toia also favors the GPS rule as important for the city to conduct health inspections.

The decline of food trucks in Chicago could be due to factors other than the regulations, such as lack of capital and typical competitive pressures that sink restaurants all the time, he said.

But Toia is open to changing other rules that food trucks dislike, such as extending the two-hour serving limit to four hours. He also encourages opening more food truck stands, particularly outside of colleges where he suspects they would find an eager audience in hungry students.

Meanwhile, food trucks continue to close their doors. Dion Solano, co-owner and executive chef of Jerk, a Jamaican grill that was one of Chicago's first food trucks to cook food onboard, took his truck off the road last year because there aren't enough viable parking places to make money consistently without breaking any laws.

"It hurts," said Solano, who has his truck listed on Craigslist. "I have built relationships with a lot of good people in the industry who have great concepts, great food and they have to close up shop and fail and lose money."

Solano, like many food truck entrepreneurs, was able to parlay his early mobile success into a Jerk bricks-and-mortar restaurant in River West, which will remain open. He would be happy to have food trucks lined up outside his door if it wasn't illegal, because he feels people typically already know what they're looking for when they step out for a bite.

Still, he feels an emotional loss to see his food truck idled because it gave him his start, and he worries others won't have the same chance.

"When I consult (food truck entrepreneurs), I sadly have to start off with: 'You don't want to do this.'"

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Walgreens settles U.S. claims of fraud

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have resolved the suits, cooperated with the government and “admitted no wrongdoing.” The company declined to elaborate on whether it “accepted responsibility” for the allegations in the U.S. complaint, as prosecutors said.

“We are resolving these matters because we believe it is in the best interest of our customers, patients and other stakeholders to move forward,” the company said in a statement.

The settlement has been fully accounted for in Walgreens’ financial statement as of Nov. 30, the company said, adding that it entered into a corporate integrity agreement with the U.S. Health and Human Services Department that builds on its existing compliance program.

Walgreens configured its systems so that pharmacists couldn’t dispense less than a full box of five insulin pens, and then it submitted false data in reimbursement claims indicating that the total number of daily doses didn’t go over program

limits, prosecutors said. As a result, Walgreens received millions of dollars for insulin that many people didn’t need while wasting “substantial quantities” of the medication, the U.S. said.

The other settlement involves a program called the Prescription Savings Club that gave discounts to customers who ordered drugs from Walgreens. Prosecutors said the company failed to disclose the lower prices when seeking reimbursement from Medicaid.

Both cases arose from lawsuits filed years ago by whistle-blowers under the False Claims Act. They were both unsealed on Tuesday. Walgreens’ payments will go to federal and state governments.

The U.S. didn’t say how much the whistle-blowers stand to collect.

The cases are U.S. v Walgreens Inc., 12-cv-300, and U.S. v Walgreens Boots Alliance Inc., 15-cv-5686, U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York (Manhattan).

Timothy Annett contributed to this report.

Kraft Heinz goes racy in Super Bowl spot

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her boyfriend’s problem with “frozen food porn” and says he watches it several times a day and has a hidden stash of photos — of food. Among the suggestive lines is the girlfriend saying that the addiction has made him a “three-minute man,” as in the amount of time it takes to heat up a frozen meal.

Though people don’t typically associate frozen foods with raunchiness, Devour’s latest ad is consistent with prior marketing efforts: It launched in 2016 with the tagline

“Food You Want to Fork.”

Kraft Heinz, co-headquartered in Chicago and Pittsburgh, has a second brand that will air a Super Bowl commercial: A 30-second Planters nuts spot will feature Mr. Peanut.

Other Super Bowl advertisers include Anheuser-Busch, Pepsi, Kia and Verizon. Colgate Total was the first advertiser to unveil its Super Bowl ad, on Friday, which stars Luke Wilson as a close talker.

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World leaders poke Trump over cooperation, free trade

By JAMEY KEATEN AND PAUL WISEMAN
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DAVOS, Switzerland — World leaders in favor of international cooperation and free trade struck back Wednesday against the wave of populist nationalism that has featured more prominently than usual at the gathering of elites in Davos.

As heads of state from Poland to Columbia to Rwanda addressed the political and business tycoons, the question of global cooperation emerged as a dividing line. The leaders of Japan and Germany — countries that have flourished on trade since their devastation under nationalist leaders in World War II — focused on the need for cooperation.

It was a not-so-subtle dig at earlier speeches by the populist president of Brazil and U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, who said governments should focus more on national self-interest over international rules.

“I believe that it’s worth bringing together like-minded people around the world, because anything else will lead us into despair,” said German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

She said efforts to combat global problems — from an economic slowdown to tensions over trade, Brexit and migration — “will only function if we are able to compromise.”

She cited as a positive example a free trade deal between the European Union and Japan that will take effect Feb. 1.

Japan’s prime minister, Shinzo Abe, put a similarly strong focus on working together, noting another trade deal, among Pacific Rim countries.

He warned, however that there are risks.

“U.S.-China trade friction is one of those risks and Japan traditionally has said tit-for-tat trade-restrictive measures are of no benefit,”



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German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, below, address attendees Wednesday at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.



JASON ALDEN/BLOOMBERG NEWS

he said in his first appearance in Davos in five years.

The U.S. and China, the world’s two biggest economies, are locked in a trade dispute and have put tariffs on hundreds of billions of dollars-worth of traded goods.

President Donald Trump’s administration says China is not being transparent on government subsidies it gives Chinese companies and is swiping intellectual property from Western firms.

While Abe and Merkel squarely warned against taking punitive measures

like Trump has — without going through international institutions like the World Trade Organization to settle disputes — both Japan and European countries have also complained about China.

Abe said the WTO needs to be overhauled.

“Major changes are taking place, and the WTO is behind the curve — it’s not keeping up with pace,” Abe said. “We need to reform it.”

Efforts were underway to defuse the U.S.-China dispute, with a high-level Chinese delegation expected to visit Washington on Jan. 30.

The level of tensions remained intense, however.

China’s vice president used his own speech in Davos to take shots at Trump and his administration.

“Shifting blame for one’s own problems onto others will not resolve the problems,” Wang Qishan said.

He sought to cast China as a proponent of open markets, though in reality it keeps tight control of its access to foreign investors and companies.

“What we need to do is make the pie bigger while looking for ways to share it in a more equitable way,” he said. “The last thing we should do is to stop making the pie and just engage in a futile debate on how to divide it.”

Trump had intended to visit Davos to meet with the Chinese over the trade issues. The U.S. delegation canceled the trip due to the government shutdown. Other leaders have also had to mix their trips, including those of Britain and France to deal with Brexit and popular protests.

White House top economist says economy could completely stall

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was already projected to be low, at below 2 percent, which is how Hasset said he came to his conclusion.

Trump has mostly eschewed economic advice from lawmakers and experts, saying instead he prefers to follow his instincts on how best to proceed. Trump ushered in the government shutdown to begin last month after rejecting a bipartisan spending bill, insisting that Congress must appropriate \$5.7 billion to erect sections of a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

During his campaign and earlier in his presidency, Trump repeatedly promised Mexico would pay for the wall.

The shutdown has

forced government spending to halt for a number of projects, and it has stopped paying roughly 800,000 federal workers. Those workers, in turn, have had to cut their own budgets.

And there are also thousands of government contractors who are also not being paid, and those businesses are also having to adjust their spending.

On top of this, the University of Michigan recently reported that consumer confidence has fallen to its lowest level of Trump’s presidency. Housing sales have also begun to slump, in a sign that economic anxiety is spreading.

Hasset also predicted that reopening the government would lead to a “humongous” growth rate in the second quarter, though

Trump has said he would be happy to keep the government shut down for months or years.

Meanwhile, White House acting chief of staff Mick Mulvaney has pressed agency leaders to provide him with a list, by Friday, of the highest-impact programs that will be jeopardized if the shutdown continues into March and April, people familiar with the directive said.

The request is the first known inquiry from a top White House official seeking information about the spreading impact of the shutdown.

The people spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to disclose Mulvaney’s demand.

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Synchrony Bank	NA	1.20	NA	NA	2.65	2.75	2.80	2.85	3.10	800-869-3813 www.synchronybank.com
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Can you invest IRA funds in a CD? And should you?

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The first question is whether CDs are an allowable retirement investment, and the answer is yes. When you open an Individual Retirement Account, or IRA, that account is simply a container, which can hold most types of investments, from bank deposits like CDs to stocks and bonds.

Opening an IRA CD is hardly different than opening a regular CD. At most banks and credit unions, all the CDs in their regular menu are equally available in an IRA. The difference isn’t usually in the CD itself, but simply in the account where you hold it.

Occasionally, however, an institution will promote a specific IRA CD offer. These are often longer-term certificates, which typically come with a more favorable rate.

But are retirement CDs a good idea? It’s true that CDs are extremely safe and entirely predictable, so they’re well-suited well to savers who have almost no risk tolerance or a strong aversion to investing in stocks and bonds.

But since a CD’s fixed rate of return generally lags these other investments over the long term — and usually significantly — investing your IRA funds in a CD will earn you far less over time. And in order to grow your nest egg sufficiently to fund your retirement years, the more substantial gains earned in the stock market are likely to be necessary.

That said, for savers who are very close to retirement, or who wish to hold a portion of their retirement savings outside the stock market, IRA CDs are indeed safe and reliable.

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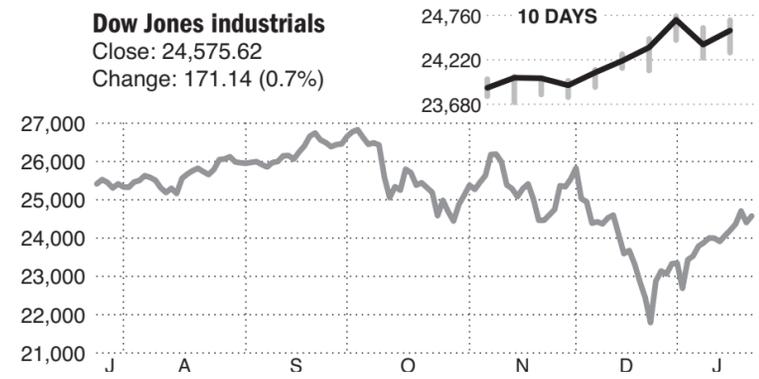
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+5.41 (+.08%)	+5.80 (+.22%)	-3.19 (-.22%)
Close: 7,025.77	Close: 2,638.70	Close: 1,454.26
High: 7,084.85	High: 2,653.19	High: 1,468.48
Low: 6,953.23	Low: 2,612.86	Low: 1,444.97
Previous: 7,020.36	Previous: 2,632.90	Previous: 1,457.45

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+0.02 to 2.75%	+0.60 to \$1,283.10	+0.29 to 109.59/\$1	-0.0016 to .8785/\$1	-0.39 to \$52.62

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW +1.52	NASD -.13	S&P +.86	DOW +7.42	NASD +7.19	S&P +6.93	DOW -6.39	NASD -5.25	S&P -7.01

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	522.50	527	521.75	526	+4.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	379.50	381.75	378	378.75	-.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	911	918.25	910.50	915	+5.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 19	29.19	29.42	29.09	29.38	+0.32
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 19	312.80	314.90	312.10	312.90	-.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Mar 19	52.95	53.64	51.86	52.62	-.39
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 19	3.058	3.167	2.957	2.980	-0.60
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Mar 19	1.4061	1.4135	1.3623	1.3857	-0.158

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	69.91	-1.58	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	101.61	-.22	Mondelez Intl	O	43.51	+0.38
AbbVie Inc	N	88.45	-.21	Equity Residential	N	70.34	-.06	Morningstar Inc	O	119.72	+4.72
Allstate Corp	N	85.89	+.03	Exelon Corp	N	46.87	+0.62	Motorola Solutions	N	114.46	-.01
Aptargroup Inc	N	97.38	+.34	First Indl RT	N	31.44	+.08	NiSource Inc	N	26.83	-.28
Arch Dan Mid	N	43.71	+.02	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	41.16	-.61	NiSun Trust Co	O	89.93	-.60
Baxter Intl	N	69.64	-.02	Gallagher AJ	N	73.70	-.32	Old Republic	N	21.77	-.52
Boeing Co	N	358.61	-.71	Grainger WW	N	297.16	-.35	Packaging Corp Am	N	91.82	-.46
Brunswick Corp	N	48.54	-.45	GrubHub Inc	N	74.46	-.10	Paylocity Hldg	O	66.57	+.30
CB&E Global Markets	N	98.21	+.95	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	96.16	-.56	Stercy Inc	O	42.78	+0.74
CDK Global Inc	O	51.04	+.21	IDEX Corp	N	135.91	-1.69	Teleph Data	N	36.62	-.52
CDW Corp	O	81.39	+1.06	ITW	N	131.11	-1.06	TransUnion	N	59.38	-.02
CF Industries	N	42.12	+.26	Ingredion Inc	N	98.17	+.23	Tribune Media Co A	N	45.73	-.13
CME Group	O	187.82	+1.49	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	137.31	-2.62	US Foods Holding	N	34.26	+3.37
CNA Financial	N	45.43	+.14	Kemper Corp	N	74.27	-.16	USG Corp	N	43.15	-.01
Caterpillar Inc	N	131.82	-.42	Kraft Heinz Co	O	47.06	-.22	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	288.20	-.65
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	21.47	+.02	LKQ Corporation	O	25.81	-.09	United Contl Hldgs	O	82.88	-.46
Deere Co	N	157.61	-1.23	Littelfuse Inc	O	180.85	-1.27	Ventas Inc	N	61.92	+2.0
Discover Fin Svcs	N	66.16	+.04	MB Financial	O	45.36	+0.1	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	71.71	+1.2
Dover Corp	N	78.82	-.47	McDonalds Corp	N	186.09	+1.52	Wintrust Financial	O	70.66	-3.01
Equity Commonwh	N	31.36	+.60	Middleby Corp	O	115.76	-.88	Zebra Tech	O	173.15	+1.4

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	28.92	-.17
Gen Electric	8.73	+0.07
Ford Motor	8.54	-.16
Cheesecake Engy	2.59	-.05
Synchrony Financial	29.40	+2.85
Ambev S.A.	4.54	-.03
Freepport McMoran	12.31	-.07
AT&T Inc	30.89	+.31
First Data Corp	23.72	+.64
Pfizer Inc	42.16	-.11
Procter & Gamble	94.84	+4.40
EnCana Corp	6.74	-.01
IBM	132.89	+10.37
Vipshop Hldgs Ltd	7.08	+0.62
PG&E Corp	7.99	+0.29
Twitter Inc	30.97	-1.28
Kinder Morgan Inc	17.24	-.39
Vale SA	14.75	+0.30
Square Inc	69.10	+1.25
Annaly Capital Mgmt	10.31	+.06
Wells Fargo & Co	50.12	+0.26
Citigroup	62.13	+.28
Oasis Petroleum	6.06	-.08
Brist Myr Sqb	49.96	+2.4

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	152.03	-.12
Alphabet Inc C	1075.57	+5.05
Alphabet Inc A	1084.41	+5.78
Amazon.com Inc	1640.02	+7.85
Apple Inc	153.92	+0.62
Bank of America	28.92	-.17
Berkshire Hath B	201.15	+.43
Exxon Mobil Corp	71.30	-.59
Facebook Inc	144.30	-3.27
JPMorgan Chase	102.68	-.26
Johnson & Johnson	128.80	+.03
Microsoft Corp	106.71	+1.03
Pfizer Inc	42.16	-.11
Royal Dutch Shell B	60.38	-.71
Royal Dutch Shell A	58.91	-.71
Unitedhealth Group	267.02	+1.33
Verizon Comm	57.76	+.77
Visa Inc	137.01	-1.04
WalMart Strs	98.71	+1.22

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	29.36	-.04	-3.8
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	25.63	+0.2	-3.3
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	44.74	+1.2	-11.6
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	57.81	+1.0	-7.3
American Funds FdmTlInvsA m	54.74	-.04	-8.4
American Funds GrfAmrca m	45.26	-.09	-4.8
American Funds IncAmrca m	21.24	+0.3	-5.5
American Funds InvCAMrca m	35.28	-.03	-8.0
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	39.56	+0.1	-8.4
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	42.87	+0.5	-4.0
DFA EMktCorEq	20.08	+1.7	-17.2
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.36	...	+7
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	39.01	+0.4	-19.6
Dodge & Cox Stk	183.70	...	-7.9
DoubleLine TIRetBdl	10.42	...	+2.4
Fidelity 500dInvsPrrm	91.77	+2.1	-5.2
Fidelity Contrafund	11.69	...	-4.7
Fidelity ContrafundK	11.69	...	-4.7
Fidelity TlMktIdInvsPrrm	74.65	+1.1	-5.6
Fidelity USBldInvsPrrm	11.28	...	+1.1
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.23	...	-3.3
Metropolitan West TIRetBdl	10.40	-.01	+1.2
PIMCO IncInclSt	11.87	...	+1.7
PIMCO TIRetInvs	9.94	...	+7
Schwab SP500dIn	40.36	+0.9	-5.2
T. Rowe Price BCGr	102.44	+1.2	-1.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	61.02	+0.6	-2.8
Vanguard 500dAdmrl	243.83	+5.3	-5.3
Vanguard DivGrInv	25.54	+1.0	-.6
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	69.37	+2.4	-5.8
Vanguard GridAdmrl	72.85	+0.6	-5.3
Vanguard HCAmrl	84.82	+0.6	+4.4
Vanguard InTrnGdAdm	9.42	...	+2.1
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	13.94	-.01	+2.1
Vanguard InslDInvs	239.74	+5.2	-5.3
Vanguard InslDInvsPlus	239.76	+5.3	-5.2
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	57.22	+0.9	-5.4
Vanguard MDCpIdAdmrl	182.87	-.04	-7.9
Vanguard PrrmCpAdmrl	127.35	-.07	-4.7
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.46	+0.1	+1.6
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Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	29.46	+0.3	-4.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	17.59	+0.3	-5.4
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Vanguard TtBMDInAdmrl	10.45	+0.1	+9
Vanguard TtBMDInvs	10.45	+0.1	+9
Vanguard TtInBldAdmrl	21.78	...	+3.5
Vanguard TtInBldInvs	32.69	+0.1	+3.5
Vanguard TtInBldInxv	10.89	...	+3.5
Vanguard TtInSldAdmrl	26.60	+0.9	-15.7
Vanguard TtInSldInvs	106.35	+3.5	-15.7
Vanguard TtInSldInvsPlus	106.38	+3.6	-15.7
Vanguard TtInSldInxv	15.90	+0.5	-15.8
Vanguard TtSMIdAdmrl	65.67	+1.0	-5.5
Vanguard TtSMIdInvs	65.68	+1.0	-5.5
Vanguard TtSMIdInxv	65.64	+1.0	-5.6
Vanguard WngtInAdmrl	66.11	+1.9	-3.6
Vanguard WlslyInAdmrl	60.30	+1.2	-1.7
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6-month disc	2.44	2.45
2-year	2.59	2.55
10-year	2.75	2.75
30-year	3.07	3.03

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1283.10	\$1282.50
Silver	\$15.317	\$15.259
Platinum	\$792.30	\$786.50

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Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.58

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Euro	.8785
India (Rupee)	71.174
Israel (Shekel)	3.6738
Japan (Yen)	109.59
Mexico (Peso)	19.0387
Poland (Zloty)	3.77
So. Korea (Won)	1127.87
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.87
Thailand (Baht)	31.70

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2581.00	+1.3/+1
Stoxx600	354.89	-.2/-1
Nikkei	20593.72	-29.2/-1
MSCI-EAFE	1793.30	-2.2/-1
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CAC-40	4840.38	-7.2/-2

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OBITUARIES

RUSSELL BAKER 1925-2019

Droll columnist and memorable memoirist

BY JON THURBER
The Washington Post

Russell Baker, the Pulitzer Prize-winning writer who for 36 years brought whimsy, irreverence and droll commentary to the Observer column in the New York Times and whose memoir, "Growing Up," was a bestseller, died Jan. 21 at his home in Leesburg, Virginia. He was 93.

The cause was complications from a fall, said a son, Allen Baker.

Baker, who received a Pulitzer for commentary in 1979 and another for his Depression-era memoir four years later, later succeeded Alistair Cooke as the host of public television's "Masterpiece Theatre" series.

A Virginia-born humorist who blended self-deprecation and wry wit, Baker wrote in simple, straightforward prose modeled after the effortless grace of E.B. White's pieces for the New Yorker. Baker termed his thrice-weekly efforts "a casual column without anything urgent to tell humanity."

The 10 columns the Pulitzer committee examined showed the breadth of Baker's interests and the range of his writing voice. The subjects included tax reform, loneliness, dying, fear, artist Norman Rockwell, the death of New Times magazine and the difference between being serious and being solemn.

He wrote about ordinary life lived by ordinary people.

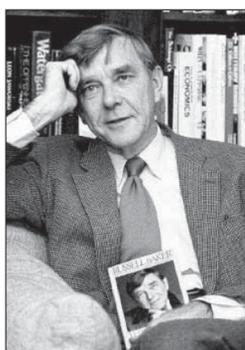
His opening lines often contained a pithy one-liner: "Listening to the economics wizards talk about the recession, you get the feeling that things are going to get better as soon as they get worse."

In one column, he lampooned the burgeoning pomposity in American speech.

"Americans don't like plain talk anymore," he wrote. "Nowadays they like fat talk. Show them a lean plain word that cuts to the bone and watch them lard it with thick greasy syllables front and back until it wheezes and gasps for breath as it comes lumbering down upon some poor threadbare sentence like a sack of iron on a swayback horse."

But he could also express shame and outrage when the subject warranted it, as witnessed by his meditation on inflation and its effect on old people watching their pennies in the supermarket: "Staring at 90-cent peanut butter. Taking down an orange, looking for its price, putting it back.... Old people at the supermarket are being crushed and nobody is even screaming."

Baker understood poverty, after spending his earliest years in rural Loudoun



MARTY LEDERHANDLER/AP

Columnist and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Russell Baker died.

County. "I had one foot back there in this primitive country life where women did the laundry running their knuckles on scrub boards and heated irons on coal stoves," he wrote in "Growing Up," his grim and vivid 1982 autobiography.

The memoir, which sold more than 1 million copies, was "among the most enduring recollections of American boyhoods — those of Thurber and Menckel, Aldrich and Twain," book critic Jonathan Yardley wrote in his review for The Washington Post.

After Navy service in World War II and with a degree from Johns Hopkins University, Baker joined the reporting staff of the Baltimore Sun in 1947. An aspiring novelist, he advanced within five years from cub reporter to London correspondent — in time to cover a coronation.

"It was Queen Elizabeth who made me a foreign correspondent," he wrote decades later in the Sun. "Before she turned up, my newspaper career had consisted of listening to Baltimore policemen reminisce about great hangings and covering bush-league statesmen deploring the state of the world."

He was a White House reporter for the Sun before joining the Times's Washington bureau at 37. He grew bored covering Congress, which he wrote amounted to standing in corridors "waiting for somebody to come out and lie to me."

The Sun attempted to lure him back with an offer of a column of his own choosing. He was about to accept when Times publisher Orvil Dryfoos stepped up with a matching offer, giving Baker a regular spot on the paper's editorial pages.

The column was called the "Observer," and it would become a Times staple for decades.

Baker's first column appeared on July 16, 1962, and his short, sprightly sentences and plain English signaled a departure from the dry and complex writing that was the standard Times approach of the day.

Russell Wayne Baker was born in the Loudoun hamlet of Morrisonville on Aug. 14, 1925. His father was a stonemason who had diabetes as well as a proclivity for moonshine. The combination of the two killed him at 33. Russell was 5.

Facing destitution after the death of her husband, Baker's mother took dire measures.

She offered her youngest daughter, Audrey, for adoption by her brother-in-law and his wife. With her remaining children — Russell and his younger sister Doris — she moved to New Jersey to live with a brother who, in those Depression-era days, was one of the few family members to have a job.

Russell, Doris and their mother moved to Baltimore in the mid-1930s and subsisted for a time on government-surplus food. Baker earned an academic scholarship to Johns Hopkins but left college in 1943 to enlist as a pilot in the Navy during World War II. He was never deployed overseas. He finished his degree after the war, in 1947.

In the early 1990s, Baker's career took an unexpected turn when the producers of the venerable PBS program "Masterpiece Theatre" asked him if he would be interested in replacing the retiring Cooke as the show's host.

He initially laughed at the notion but eventually accepted the job and served as host from 1993 to 2004.

In 1950, Baker married Miriam "Mimi" Nash. She died in 2015. In addition to his son, survivors include two other children, Kasia Baker, and Michael Baker; two sisters; and four granddaughters.

Baker received a prestigious George Polk award for his career achievement in 1999. He wrote several other books, including compilations of his columns and two other memoirs, "The Good Times" (1989) and "Looking Back" (2002).

"I've always felt that journalism ought to be a little spontaneous, and I want my stuff, which is a very personal kind of journalism, to reflect how I feel at the moment," he told Esquire magazine in 1979.

His column, which last appeared on Christmas Day 1998, frequently gave him that opportunity. One of his columns from April 1977 included his ode to the Internal Revenue Service. He called it "A Taxpayer's Prayer":

"O mighty Internal Revenue, who turneth the labor of man to ashes, we thank thee for the multitude of thy forms which thou hast set before us and for the infinite confusion of thy commandments. ... Grant that this sacrifice not be found insufficient unto thy auditor."

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In 1972 the Supreme Court struck down laws that denied welfare benefits to people who had resided in a state for less than a year.

In 1985 the space shuttle Discovery was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla., on the first secret, all-military shuttle mission.

In 1986 the Voyager II space probe swept past Uranus, coming within 50,679 miles of the seventh planet of the solar system.

In 1989 confessed serial killer Theodore Bundy was put to death in Florida's electric chair.

In 1995 President Bill Clinton appealed for common ground as he delivered his second State of the Union address, this time before a Republican-led Congress.

In 2003 the new Department of Homeland Security officially opened as its head, Tom Ridge, was sworn in.

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Borre, Sheila Louise

Sheila Louise Borre (Heisterkamp), 64, passed away on January 19, 2019 at her home in Waukegan, IL. She fought a brave 3 1/2 year battle with cancer. Sheila was born April 01, 1954 to the late William and Cecelia Heisterkamp. She grew up and resided in Waukegan. She enjoyed working at AAUW Preschool for 22 years. Sheila cherished time spent with her family, reading, and was a devoted lover of animals. She touched the lives of many and will be remembered for her eternal optimism, kind heart, and generous spirit.

Sheila is survived by her loving husband of 42 years, Anthony James Borre; her children Kristin (Chad) Cryer, and Ryan (Lisa) Borre; her grandchildren Caleb and Kelsey Cryer, Lucas, Clara and Lincoln Borre; and her mother-in-law Janet Weber.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held for Sheila on Friday, February 01, 2019 at 10:00 am at Cornerstone Community Church located at 40413 N. Delany Road, Wadsworth, IL 60083. A 9:00 am Visitation will precede the Ceremony. Memorial contributions may be made to Cancer Wellness Center, Northbrook IL, Kenosha Forgotten Friends, Kenosha, WI or The Salvation Army.

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Borucki, Paul Christopher

Paul Christopher Borucki was born on August 5th, 1951 to Margaret and Richard Borucki. Paul passed away on November 17th, 2018. He was a caring and loving father.

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Brabec, Roy T

Jan. 22, 2019

Roy T. Brabec, 94 beloved husband of Odette, nee Baumann, Dear brother to Rosemary Isberner, nee Brabec, and loved dearly by all his nieces and nephews. Proud WWII veteran. Memorial service Saturday, January 26, at 11:00 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Highland Park. 330 Laurel Ave. Highland Park, IL 60035

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Brown, Karina

Karina Brown (nee Mesishcheva) died in Omaha, Nebraska, on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019, at age 48. Karina was born on November 14th, 1970, in Minsk, Belarus, USSR. She is survived by her father, Aleksandr Mesishchev; her mother, Ellina Tomchin (Tronyak); her stepfather, Max Tomchin; her brother Yevgeniy Ayol; her husband, Terry Brown; her children, Arthur Masyuk (and his wife Aleksa Masyuk) and Jessica Brown; and her many loving family and friends in Omaha, Nebraska, and abroad.

Karina was a devoted mother to her children. She loved listening to her son practice, rehearse and perform on the violin. She loved tutoring her daughter and shopping with her. Just last year, Karina celebrated her 20th wedding anniversary, saw her daughter enter college and rejoiced in her son's wedding.

In her free time, she loved to woodburn, garden and remodel her home alongside her husband. Upon emigrating to the United States from Belarus, Karina earned her bachelor's degree in accounting. She worked for Union Pacific for more than 20 years, a testament to her ambition and success. She will be remembered by family and friends as a fiercely dedicated mother, daughter, wife, sister, and coworker. Interment Jewish Funeral Home Inc., 4415 Cuming St., Omaha, NE 68131. Graveside service on Thursday, January 24th, 2019, 1:00 p.m. CST, at Beth El Cemetery, 4700 S. 84th St., Omaha, NE 68127. In place of flowers, donations can be made to Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Foundation Inc., <https://cjdfoundation.org/>, and to Karina's memorial Go Fund Me page, <https://www.gofundme.com/karinabrown>.

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Burke, Mary Margaret Kelleher 'Babe'

Mary Margaret "Babe" Kelleher Burke. Beloved wife of the late Richard Francis "Dick" Burke Sr. Loving and devoted mother of Richard Francis Jr. (Cecilia Walsh), Mary Margaret (Dr. Jerome Hannigan), Nancy Ann (Timothy Woods) and the Honorable Kathleen Marie Burke. Dear grandmother of Richard Francis III "Ricky", Therese Marie and Marie Kelleher Burke, Julia Margaret and Jerome "Jerry" Burke Hannigan, Jeremiah Timothy and Patrick John Woods. Cherished daughter of the late Jeremiah Kelleher and the late Julia (nee Buckley) of County Cork, Ireland. Sister of the late John (the late Betty) and the late Gerald (the late Dorothy) Kelleher. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Babe was a graduate of Mercy High School and Chicago Teachers College. She was a dedicated Chicago school teacher for over 45 years, most of that spent at Morrill Elementary School where she taught virtually every grade and especially enjoyed the primary level students in first and second grade. Babe grew up in Saint Francis de Paula Parish on the south side of Chicago, and after marrying Dick Burke moved to the Beverly area where they raised their four children. She continued to live in her home there and was an active member of St. John Fisher parish for almost 60 years. She enjoyed longtime friendships with her neighbors, college friends and teaching colleagues, lunching with them regularly. Her greatest pleasure was spending time with her family and grandchildren, and attending their myriad of school and sports activities. Babe lived a very blessed life and will be missed by all her extended family, friends and neighbors.

Funeral Saturday 9:30 a.m. from **Donnellan Funeral Home** 10525 S. Western Ave. to St. John Fisher Church for Mass at 10:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy 6300 North Ridge Ave, Chicago, IL. 60660. Info (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com

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Calistro, Georgia I.

Georgia I. Calistro (nee Hagopian), loving mother of Nicholas Calistro and Maryanne Calistro; dear sister of George, Gary, and April Hagopian, Karen Peters, Robert Salerno and the late Jilda Martucci; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Saturday beginning with Visitation from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at **Salerno's Galewood Chapels, Sciaraffa Funeral Directors**, 1857 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago, 60707 concluding with a Chapel Service at 1:00 p.m. Interment Rosehill Cemetery in Chicago. For information call (773) 889-1700.

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Caporale, Charles R.

Charles R. Caporale, age 62, Died Peacefully. Loving son of the late John and Eleanor (nee: Muratore) Caporale; Fond nephew of Mary (Carmen) Ducato, the late Marie Jones, Dorothy (Otto) Prinz, Gabriel (Mary) Caporale, Lena Caporale, Marjorie (George) Staresina, Dr. Frank Caporale, Julia (Joseph) Bruno, Carmen (Ann) Muratore, Lucy (Peter) Palmi, Mildred (James) Stewart, Cousin and friend to all. Visitation and Funeral is at Salerno's Galewood Chapel, 1857 N. Harlem Avenue, Chicago, Saturday 11:00 a.m. until time of Chapel Service 12:00 noon. Interment Private. For info 773-889-1700.

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Carmody, Jerome 'Jere'

Jerome (Jere) Carmody, of Park Ridge, died at the age of 84. He is mourned and celebrated by his cherished wife of 53 years, Teddi (Caccavale); his children, Cristina Tilley and Brad (Beth) Carmody; grandchildren Caroline and Margaret Tilley, and Bridget, Kathleen, and Thomas Jerome Carmody, all of Wilmette; and his sister, Anamarie (John) Arndt of Evanston. A Marquette University graduate, he was a quarterback for the last winning season of its "Hilltoppers" varsity football team. He went on to a career in broadcast advertising sales, leaving him with an encyclopedic knowledge of the call letters of local television stations across the country. Before retiring, he spent his last years in development for United Way. He was a stalwart husband, father, and friend; kind, wise and, in the words of Mary Oliver, "married to amazement . . . taking the world into his arms."

Visitation Friday, Jan. 25, 2019 from 4-9 p.m. Funeral Prayers Saturday, 9:30 a.m. at **Nelson Funeral Home** 820 Talcott Road, Park Ridge, procession to Mary, Seat of Wisdom Catholic Church, 920 W. Granville Ave., Park Ridge for Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info., (847) 823-5122 or www.nelsonfunerals.com.

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Carone, Joseph P.

Age 78, U.S. Army Veteran and Retired CPD. At rest January 18th, with his family at his bedside. Beloved husband of Carol (nee Vanoni). Loving father of Joseph, Laura (David) Murphy, and Lisa (Brian) Gorz. Proud grandfather of Brandon, Colin, Morgan, Ryan, and Aidan. Dear brother of Patrick (Catherine), Cheryl (Lee) Matthews and Rose (James) Benson. Brother-in-law of Lee (the late Constance) Vanoni, Robert (Dolores) Vanoni and Richard (Donna) Vanoni. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Also preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Celeste (McBride) Memorial Visitation Saturday 9:00 a.m. until time of prayers 10:45 at Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL. Mass 11:30 a.m. to St. Francis of Assisi Church, 15050 Wolf Road, Orland Park, IL. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, donations to The 100 Club of Chicago, 875 N Michigan Ave. Suite 1351, Chicago, IL would be greatly appreciated. www.sheehyfh.com 708 857-7878

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Chevere de Rivera, Luz M 'Lucy'

Luz M Chevere de Rivera, at rest on Jan 20, 2019, joining her husband who preceded her in death; loving mother of 11; grandma of 27; and great-grandma of 17. Visitation Thurs, Jan 24th, 3-8pm, at St. Basil-Visitation Church, 843 W Garfield Blvd, Chicago, IL 60621 where Funeral Mass will be held Jan 25th, at 10am. Burial Procession at 1:00pm to St. Mary's Cemetery, 87th and Pulaski.

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Craig-Pauly, Courtney Sue

Courtney Sue Craig-Pauly deceased January 19, 2019. Survived by husband James, Mother Joanne, Father Robert, Brother Richard (wife Melissa), Sister Kelly (husband Chad); Mother and Father-in-law Sandy and Jim, Brothers and Sisters-in-law David, Ann, Chris, and Marija; multiple aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews; and Minty-the-cat. She grew up in Wilmette Ill; attended New Trier High School and the University of Iowa; and graduated with a BA from Loyola University. She was employed as an office manager for a physician's busy Chicago practice. She and her husband moved to Nashville Tenn in 2017. Her funeral will be held in Saint's Faith, Hope and Charity Catholic Church in Winnetka Il. on January 26. The Wake will be from 9:00-10:30; the funeral thereafter. In lieu of flowers please send your donation to Pet Smart Shelter, Skokie Blvd, Northbrook Il. She was loved and will be dearly missed by all.

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In 1943 President Franklin Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill concluded a wartime conference in Casablanca, Mo-

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ILLINOIS
Jan. 23
Powerball 23 25 47 48 50 / 24
Powerball jackpot: \$144M
Lotto jackpot: \$7.5M
Pick 3 midday 395 / 7
Pick 4 midday 4792 / 3
Lucky Day Lotto midday 04 39 41 42 45
Pick 3 evening 993 / 8
Pick 4 evening 1173 / 8
Lucky Day Lotto evening 03 07 19 24 25

Jan. 25 Mega Millions: \$96M

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Jan. 23
Megabucks 06 09 11 25 29 42
Pick 3 060
Pick 4 7926
Badger 5 08 13 16 24 26
SuperCash 17 18 20 26 27 31

INDIANA
Jan. 23
Lotto 03 04 15 24 40 41
Daily 3 midday 254 / 2
Daily 4 midday 0260 / 2
Daily 3 evening 433 / 3
Daily 4 evening 8458 / 3
Cash 5 06 13 19 21 36

MICHIGAN
Jan. 23
Lotto 08 13 19 22 28 31
Daily 3 midday 331
Daily 4 midday 7111
Daily 3 evening 845
Daily 4 evening 6323
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Dvorak, Richard F. "Dick"

Richard F. "Dick" Dvorak, age 83, longtime resident of Westchester, at rest January 22, 2019, surrounded by his loving family. Proudly served his country in the U.S. Army, during the Korean Conflict. Beloved husband of 61 years of Therese (nee Dalpiaz); loving father of Mary Beth (Ken) Sobolewski, Thomas (Ann) and David Dvorak, and Linda Gilbert; devoted grandfather of Kristen (John) Corrigan, Michael, David, Danny and Annie Sobolewski, Lauren and Lucas Dvorak, Caroline and Caitlyn Gilbert; joyful great-grandfather of Emily Corrigan; dearest brother of the late Corinne (Anthony) Sprenger, Robert (Barbara) and John (Sandi) Dvorak and Elizabeth (James) Munger; fond uncle, brother-in-law and friend to many. Dick served a long career as a dedicated independent insurance broker. His passions were hunting, fishing and spending time in the great outdoors. He will always be remembered for his boundless kindness, quick sense of humor, down-to-earth demeanor, and unshakable devotion to God and family. Family and friends are asked to gather for the Visitation Friday January 25, 2019 from 3-9 P.M. at **Russo's Hillside Chapels** 4500 Roosevelt Rd., Westchester, IL, 60162 (located between Mannheim and Wolf Rds.) Funeral Saturday 9:15 A.M. from **Russo's Hillside Chapels** to Divine Providence Church, Westchester for a 10 A.M. Funeral Mass. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Info 708-449-5300. Memorials in honor of Dick may be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association LBDA.org

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Eaheart, Rita Jean

Rita Jean Eaheart, nee McNerney, passed away January 18, 2019. She was a lifelong resident of Chicago. Born April 17, 1941 to the late Carl and Kathleen McNerney. Beloved wife of William for 54 years; Loving mother of Rita Jean Gramm, William (Margaret) Eaheart, and Brian (Carla) Eaheart; Cherished grandmother of Quinn, Burke, Brennan, Delaney and Owen; Rita Jean was preceeded in death by her siblings Mary Alice (Pat) Ward, Rev. Carl McNerney, Margaret (John) Stoner, Jack McNerney and Kathleen (James) Nevels; Treasured aunt to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; Family and Friends to meet for Funeral Mass Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at St. Christina Church, 3342 W. 111th St., Chicago. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to Sinsinawa Dominicans, www.sinsinawa.org or 608-748-4411. For Funeral Info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com.

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Eichstaedt, James R

73, Hallandale Beach, Florida, January 4, 2019. Cherished son of Robert (deceased) and Dorothy, nee Cawley (deceased). Much loved brother of Robert Jr. (deceased), Thomas (Patricia), Catherine, Gerald (Janet), Peter, John (Maria), Judy and Monica (deceased). Super awesome Godfather to Richard and Jennifer. Most fun, rabble-rousing Uncle Jimmy to his many adoring nieces and nephews. Mass Thursday, January 24, 10 a.m., Our Lady of Ransom, 8300 N. Greenwood Ave., Niles, IL 60714. In lieu of flowers, raise your glass.

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Fijal, Bernice M. 'Bernie'

Loving mother of Vincent (Amanda) Fijal and Zachary (Meghan) Fijal; proud grandmother of Abigail Bernice Fijal and Thomas John Fijal; cherished sister of Sophia Melnik, Anna (Frank) Urso, and Janice (Don) Newton; loving aunt of Christy (Jason) Gregory, William (Jenn) Urso, and Bruce Brown; loving great-aunt and friend of many. Preceded in death by her parents, the late Anthony and Louise Melnik. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 26th, at 9:15am from **Ridge Funeral Home**, 6620 West Archer Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60638, to St. Jane de Chantal Catholic Church for funeral mass at 10:00am. Interment private. Visitation will be held on Friday, January 25th, from 3:00pm to 8:00pm. For more information, please call 773-586-7900 or visit www.ridgefh.com

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Friedman, Sidney

Sidney Friedman, 93. Beloved husband for 71 years of the late Mae (nee Zapolsky); devoted father of Dr. Allan (Elizabeth Bullitt), Richard, and Michael (Janet) Friedman; cherished grandfather of James (Mina) Friedman, Sarah (Nikhil Sehgal) Friedman, Marshall (Xiu Hu) Friedman, Leia (Ryan) Lawrence, and Heather, Nathaniel, Matthew, and Andrew Friedman; proud great-grandfather of Kiera Friedman. Services are private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. For shiva info: 847-256-5700.



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Froid, Ralph A.

Ralph A. Froid, 89, of Bonita Springs, FL, passed away on Thursday, January 10, 2019. A former resident of Park Ridge & Deerfield, IL. He was a member of Oak River Church in Bonita Springs, FL. Ralph was born on March 29, 1929 in Oak Park, IL to Alfred and Gunhild (Nordin) Froid. He met his wife, Jeanne (Price) Froid, in 1947 and they were married three years later on the nationally televised show "Wedding Bells". Their wedding was witnessed by over 8 million viewers.

After serving in the Navy, he started his own construction/contracting business in 1963 lasting 40 years. Ralph was a talented golfer having 10 hole in ones and shot his age or under countless times. He was passionate about fishing, an avid sports enthusiast and a lifelong fan of the Chicago Bears & Cubs. He was often seen riding his bike or spending time with his family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Alfred, his mother, Gunhild and his wife, Jeanne. He is survived by his two sons, Randy Froid and his wife Dianne, of Fort Myers, FL and Rick Froid and his wife Amy, of Park Ridge, IL; four grandchildren, Maggie, Erik, Ali (Allen) and Ryan (Tim); and great grandson Eli. All of these he loved and touched their lives deeply.

He was known for his quick wit, his infectious smile, and his kind and compassionate spirit. Ralph will be remembered as a bright, shining light. Ralph's family extends their heartfelt thanks to all of the health-care professionals for their care and commitment for Ralph.

A memorial service will be held at Worthington Country Club at 11:00 until 2:00 pm on February 2, 2019 with Pastor Matt Loveall officiating. In lieu of flowers contributions to Oak River Church, 26911 South Bay Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 34134 to aid in the growth of spreading God's word would be greatly appreciated.

The Oak River Church donations will be used towards helping with current construction needs as they remodel the new church property. Work is already underway and any help is greatly appreciated as we seek to love our community and care for the next generation with the hope of Christ. It will go towards upgrading the facilities to allow large group gatherings on Sunday mornings and upgrades for the children's ministry building. Your donation will make it possible to move into a permanent facility, share God's grace and help young and old alike as we provide a place for worship.

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Gambill, Charles F.

Charles F. Gambill, of Batavia, Illinois, passed away peacefully on January 16, 2019, surrounded by his family. Charles, affectionately known as Chuck, was born October 7, 1931, in Oak Park, Ill., to Russell L. and Dorothy V. Gambill. He graduated from the Asheville School for Boys in 1950, and from Washington & Lee University in 1954. He served two years in the United States Army, receiving an honorable discharge in 1959. He began work at the Globe Company, founded by his grandfather, Charles Edward Gambill. In 1969, he would become a vice-president of the brokerage house Clark, Dodge & Co. In 1973, he founded Gambill Development Corporation, which he would head until his retirement in the early 90s.

In addition to his working career, Chuck was active in Masonry, receiving the 33rd degree in 1985. Much of Chuck's activity in Masonry involved Illinois Masonic Medical Center. In 1984, he became Chairman of the Board, shepherding the hospital through its affiliation with Advocate Health Care in 2000. He helped to found and then served as Chair of the Illinois Masonic Family Foundation, a position he held until 2016.

In 1961, Chuck wed Shirley Cormack of Columbus, Georgia. The couple settled in Hinsdale, Ill., where they resided until 2018. He is survived by Shirley; his children, Catherine (Robert) Wadlington and Charles Jr.; three grandchildren, Turner Wadlington, Madeline Wadlington, and Caroline Wadlington, and his twin sister, Gene Andersen, of River Forest, Ill.

Memorials may be sent to the Illinois Masonic Family Foundation, 836 W. Wellington, Chicago, 60657 (773.296.5283).

A memorial service with be held on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019, 1:00 pm at the Union Church of Hinsdale, 137 S. Garfield St. in Hinsdale, Illinois. Info at 630-325-2300.

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Hirsch, Irma M.

Irma M. Hirsch, nee Ginsburg, age 91; beloved wife of the late Kurt; loving mother of Edward Hirsch (Laurie Watel), Arlene Hirsch, and Nancy Hirsch (Chelo Moreno); devoted grandmother of David Moreno-Hirsch and the late Gabriel Hirsch; dear sister of Bernice Allweiss. Service Friday 11 AM in the chapel of Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, IL 60706, where interment will follow. Contributions may be made to NorthShore Hospice Care, 1033 University Place, #450; Evanston, IL 60201, philanthropy@northshore.org. Arrangements entrusted to **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621

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Hudson, Alan E.

Alan E. Hudson, son of Grace W. and Alan A. Hudson and brother of Judith Abraham Oslakovich, all deceased, died January 21, 2019. He was born on October 20, 1935. He lived most of his life in Chicago, but he also spent several years in London, England, New York City, and Phoenix, Arizona. He served in the U.S. Army 1954-1957. He had a BA and MA from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and worked for many years in international banking and finance. He is survived by nieces and nephews; John (Linda) Abraham, Mary (Jeff) Drewenski, Joanne (Scott Johansen) Tracy and the late Edward (Ava) Abraham; 15 great nieces and nephews; 7 great-great nieces and nephews, all of whom he loved very much. "No flowers, please". Visitation Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the **Mckenzie Funeral Home**, 15618 S. Cicero Ave., Oak Forest, IL from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. with Funeral Service and Military Honors at 7:00 p.m. Interment is private at St. Mary Cemetery. For information: 708-687-2990.

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HUGHES, William C. 'Gene'

died on 1/11/19. Services: 11 a.m., 1/26/19. Inquire: lhughes50@gmail.com.

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Johnson, Ralph

Ralph L. Johnson, 88 of Lake Forest formerly of Wheaton, died January 20, 2019, Born July 23, 1930 in Chicago. He was the owner and C.E.O of Lake County Press, Inc. Waukegan, IL. Ralph married his high school sweetheart, Joyce, at the age of 18. They shared their lives together for 64 years until Joyce's passing in 2012.

Ralph achieved sustained sobriety in 1960. He was tirelessly devoted to helping people find the program of Alcoholics Anonymous. Countless lives were transformed throughout his 59 years of dedicated service to AA. As an impassioned leader of the printing industry, he was a forerunner in production and technology. Ralph truly loved his employees and served his customers with great attention and care. With a zest for life and adventure, Ralph travelled the world hunting and fishing with family and life-long friends. He built a legacy of positivity, faith and strength for the many people that he touched throughout his life.

Husband of the late Joyce M. Johnson. Loving father of Thomas R. Johnson and Lynn Johnson Pesek. Dear grandfather of Justin, Amanda, Ashley Johnson and Nick, Maria, and Johnny Pesek. Fond great grandfather of Hunter, Savannah, Trenton, Hudson, Scout and Sawyer. Brother of Sara Ockerlund, Jim Johnson and Sidney Johnson, MD.

Visitation 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm Sunday, January 27, 2019 at **Wenban Funeral Home**, 320 Vine Avenue, Lake Forest, IL 60045. Funeral service 10:00 am Monday, January 28, 2019 at **Wenban Funeral Home**. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, www.adrc.wis.edu. Info 847.234.0022 or www.wenbanfh.com.

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Jones, Willard M. 'Bill'

Willard M. "Bill" Jones. WW II Navy Veteran. Cherished husband of Betty (nee Parker) Jones. Devoted father of Linda Eiselstein, Gary Jones and Brenda (Craig) Pitsch. Proud Pop of Fred (Kim) Eiselstein, Sarah Eiselstein, Marie Musil, Chris Jones and Billy Jones. Loving Great Pop of 10 and Great Great Pop of 3. Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by 3 brothers and 4 sisters. Visitation will be held Friday, January 25, 2019 from 10 am until time of Service, 12 Noon at **Adolf Funeral Home**, 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook. Burial will be at Clarendon Hills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Honor Flight Chicago, 9701 W. Higgins Rd., Suite 310 Rosemont, IL 60018-4703. Bill was a 45 year employee and Director at The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company (A&P). For info: 630-325-2300.

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Kacyn, Mike

Mike Kacyn, age 92, died January 21st, in Scottsdale, AZ, formerly resided in Argentina and Skokie. Beloved husband of Clara; loving father of Lillian (Alan) Acker and the late Louis Kacyn. To Mike, family was everything. He will be missed by all who knew him. Service Friday, 12 Noon, at The Chapel, 8851 Skokie Blvd., Skokie (at Niles Center Rd.). Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to ohioORTamerica.org or Hadassah Valley of the Sun. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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Kieszkowski, Marlene C.

Marlene C. Kieszkowski (nee Wegrzyn), age 77, a resident of Plainfield, IL for 12 years, formerly of Chicago, Bolingbrook and Aurora, IL, passed away on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at Seasons Hospice Home in Naperville, IL. She was born September 7, 1941 in Chicago, IL.

Visitation Friday, January 25, 2019, 4:00-9:00 PM at **Overman-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 15219 S. Joliet Road, (Corner of Rts. 59 & Rt. 30), Plainfield, IL 60544.

Services will begin Saturday, January 26, 9:00 AM from the funeral home and will proceed to a 10:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial at Holy Family Catholic Church, 600 Brook Forest Ave., Shorewood, IL. Interment: Resurrection Cemetery, Justice, IL. For a complete obituary and more information, please visit www.overman-jones.com or call (815)436-9221.

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King, Marianne

Marianne King, nee Kulak. Beloved wife of Ira; devoted mother of Daniel (Jenny) King and Carolyn King; cherished grandmother of Melissa, Sasha, and Leah; fond sister of Anthony (Mary pat) Kulak; will be missed by many nieces and nephews as well as her business partner Judy Mayo and the staff of Pyramid Partnership, Inc. Go you White Sox! Funeral service Friday, Jan. 25, 9 AM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment Westlawn. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to PAWS Chicago, www.pawschicago.org. For info: 847-256-5700.

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Kostas, Shirley B.

Shirley B. Kostas, nee Gehlert, of Grayslake, age 87. Beloved wife of Thomas; dear sister-in-law of Penelope (Anthony) Chiotis; loving aunt of Ralph Gehlert, Chris (Jill) Chiotis and Marie (Matt) Morrison. Family and friends will be received at the **Symonds-Lakes Funeral Home**, 111 W. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake, IL on Friday, January 25, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until time of service 11:00 a.m. Entombment Elmwood Cemetery. For info 847-543-1080.

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Kovacevich, Edward R. "Ed" Mooney"

Edward "Ed" "Mooney" R. Kovacevich, age 83 of Plainfield, IL formerly of Glen Ellyn, IL at rest Tues., Jan. 22, 2019 at his home. Born Fe. 3, 1935 to his loving late parents, Matthew and Nepomucene Kovacevich. Beloved husband of the late Genevieve "Jeni" Kovacevich, for 49 years.

Loving father of Kathryn (Barry) Woodrow and Karen (Brian) Wegner. Cherished grandfather of Matthew, Mary, Jonathan, Jacob, Olivia and Lukas. Preceded in death by siblings, John, Frank, Jim, Matt, Mary, Ann, George, and Jill. Devoted man to his children and grandchildren and Ice Cream! Memorials: Kindred Hospice, 800 Enterprise Drive, Suite 111, Oak Brook, IL 60523. Visitation: Fri., January 25th 4-8 PM at **Overman-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 15219 S. Joliet Rd., (Corner of Rts. 30 & 59), Plainfield, IL 60544. Mass: Sat., January 26th 10:30 AM at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 505 Kingston Drive, Romeoville, IL 60446. Interment will be private. Info: 815-436-9221 or www.overman-jones.com

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Leinbach, William Hyde

William Hyde Leinbach, 81, of Glenview passed away peacefully on January 22. Bill will be lovingly remembered by his wife Sheri, children Wendy Stricker Callahan (Kevin) and Bruce (Suzy), brother Eddie and seven grandchildren. Private family service and interment at Memorial Park Cemetery.

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Liss, LeRoy

LeRoy Liss, 95, beloved husband of Leah nee Meisel for 69 years; loving father of Debbie (Earl) Sternfeld, Judy (Norm) Mindel and Gary Liss; devoted Grandpa LeRoy of Scott (Tamar) Sternfeld, Shoshana (Moshe) Marshak, Rachel (Ben) Sevcik, Ariel (Luke) Friese, Talia (Noel) Kite and Zach Mindel; adored great grandfather of 12; dear brother of Stuart (Joan) Liss.

LeRoy was a professional photographer since 1949. He enjoyed bowling, fishing and travel. He was also a proud Navy veteran of World War II. Chapel service, Friday 10 AM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. For information or to leave condolences (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

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Lust Diamond, Adelina Lois

Adelina Lois Lust Diamond, 91, died peacefully in Chicago on January 16, 2019.

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Manning-Mosior, Lillian R.

Manning-Mosior Lillian R. Manning-Mosior nee Sopcak, age 88 Beloved wife of the late Martin Manning, Sr. & Raymond Mosior. Loving mother of Marty (Hong) Manning, Jr., Sandy (Bob) Meyer & (the late Michael "Dub" Duleba), & Wendy Malinowski. Proud grandma of 10 and G.G. of 27. Visitation Friday from 3:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Funeral Saturday, January 26, 2019 Chapel prayers 8:30 am from **Schmaedeke Funeral Home** 10701 S. Harlem Ave., Worth to St. Bede the Venerable Church 83rd and Kostner, Chicago, Mass 9:30 am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Service information 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com

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Masnjak, Donald M.

Donald M. Masnjak, age 84, of Stambaugh Township, MI passed away on Saturday, January 19, 2019, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility. He was born on September 23, 1934, in Chicago, IL, the son of the late Mirko and Mary (Shubat) Masnjak and Croatian grandson of Paskaval and Marija Shubat of Caspian, MI. He was employed as a Police Officer

with the Chicago Police Department for 34 years, and was a Deputy U.S. Marshal on the FBI Task Force, working in and out of the country. Donald married Elvira "Vera" Weintraub on March 6, 1965, in Chicago, IL, where the couple made their home for many years before moving to Stambaugh Township following their retirement. They celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary before Vera passed away on June 26, 2013.

He was a member the Croatian Fraternal Union Lodge #32, the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 7, and the Retired Chicago Police Officers.

Donald is survived by his sons, Karl (Denise) Masnjak of Fort Myers, FL and Marko (Noreen) Masnjak of Chicago, IL; grandchildren, Ashley, Evelyn and Alexander Masnjak; and life-long best friend of over 80 years, Frank Michalek.

In addition to his grandparents, parents and wife, he was also preceded in death by two sons, Kristian and Paul Masnjak.

A memorial mass will be held at St. Symphorosa Catholic Church, 5986 W 62nd St, Chicago, IL 60638 on Friday, February 15, 2019, at 10:30 AM.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Donald M. Masnjak online at www.jacobsfuneralhome.com.

Funeral arrangements by the Jacobs Funeral Home of Iron River.

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Mathews, R.S.M., Sister Timothy

Sister Timothy Mathews, R.S.M. Beloved Sister of Sister for 66 years. Devoted daughter of the late Mary nee O'Brien & Walter Mathews. Cherished sister of the late William Mathews, Timothy Mathews, Danny & Marguerite Mathews & Margaret Mathews. Proud aunt & great aunt of many nieces & nephews and friend of many. Visitation Friday at Mercy Circle, 3659 W. 99th St. in Chicago from 9:00 am until 10:45 am with a Welcoming at 8:35 am. Mass of Christian burial Friday at 11:00 am at Mercy Chapel, 3659 W. 99th St. in Chicago. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Sisters of Mercy would be greatly appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home, thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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McLean, Karen

Beloved wife of the late Richard "Dick" Knight. Loving mother of Liz (Marc Martin) McLean-Knight. Devoted Daughter of the late Howard and Kathleen "Cappy" (nee Flood). Dear sister of Howard (Marcia), Tom (Maureen) and Bill (Connie) McLean. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. She was an avid world traveler and had found enjoyment in everything she did. Visitation Thursday 3-8 pm with a Service at 7 pm at the Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home 4950 W. 79th St., Burbank IL. In lieu of flowers donations to NPR, www.npr.org/donate in Karen's name. She was an avid supporter of the arts. Interment Private



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Miller, Lucy

Lucy was born Dec 1, 1940, at age 78 on Jan 19, 2019 she passed away at her home in Chicago surrounded by her family and sons. Lucy was a beloved mother, sister and grandmother, survived by sons, brother and grandchildren Lucy taught a lot of life lessons on how to be a family, and her legacy will live forever. We love you and we will miss you

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Mlinarcik, Kathleen M.

Kathleen M. Mlinarcik nee McGee. Beloved wife of John P. Mlinarcik. Loving mother of Megan (Clay) Holland, John (Amanda) Mlinarcik, Jeffrey (Mary) Mlinarcik & Andrew Mlinarcik. Proud grandmother of Carter & Daxton Holland. Devoted daughter of Lorraine D. & the late Edward J. McGee. Dearest sister of Susan (Thomas) Tisza, Nancy (Kenneth) Kielbasa & the late Audrey (Thomas) Mooney. Cherished aunt, sister in law, cousin & friend of many. Funeral Saturday 10:15 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St. Oak Lawn to St. Linus Church for Mass at 11:00 am. Interment private. Visitation Friday from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Carcinoid Cancer Foundation, 333 Mamaroneck Ave #492 White Plains, NY 10605 or carcinoid.org would be greatly appreciated. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Morrison, Harriette J

Harriette J Morrison (nee Chamberlain), 86, of Wood Dale formerly of Carol Stream, Elmhurst, Bensenville, and Romeoville passed away on January 18, 2019. She was born June 12, 1932 in LaGrange IL to Francis and Doris Chamberlain.

She is survived by her children, Francine Sue (the late Daniel) Schmehl, Bob (Peggy) Morrison, Betty (Dave) Carroll, and Nancy (Bill) Mogk. She was the loving grandmother to Jennifer (Tony), William (Lauren), Matthew (Breanna) Kelsey, Doris, Kristyn, David (Kassandra), and great-grandmother of Anthony, Eleanor, Jayde, William, and Emerson. She will be missed dearly by many nieces, nephews and close friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick, her parents and her dear brothers and sister, Francis, Phyllis, David and Robert.

Visitation will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 26, 2019 followed by a memorial Mass at 11:00 at St. Alexis Catholic Church, 400 W. Wood St, Bensenville IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to the PAWS organization (People Helping Animals) at www.paws.org would be appreciated.

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Mudrick, Martha

Martha Mary Mudrick, 91, of Grayslake, IL, passed away on Tuesday, January 22, 2019. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 25, 2019, at Warren Funeral Home, 1475 N. Cemetery Rd. Gurnee, IL. Mass of Christian Burial, officiated by Father Christian, will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 26, 2019, at St. Gilbert Catholic Church, 301 E Belvidere Rd, Grayslake, IL 60030. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Gilbert Catholic Church in Grayslake, IL. Please visit www.warrenfuneralhome.com for a complete obituary.

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Murph, Therrelle Hagans

Therrelle Hagans Murph, 81, a resident of Birchwood Plaza Nursing Home, Chicago, IL passed away on January 21, 2019.

A caring and empathetic nurse for 32 years, Therrelle leaves to cherish her memory, her son, Allen R. Moye, of Chicago, IL; grandson, Khery A. Moye of Washington, D.C.; granddaughter, Rasheedah Moye of Fayetteville, NC; great-granddaughters, Silvergrace Douglas-Moye and Nyx Douglas-Moye, of Haymarket, VA; a devoted and loving niece, Angelique Evans Cauthorn (Kiehl) of Morrestown, NJ; nephew, Eric Evans (Lisa) of Yuma, AZ; grandnieces, Erica Evans of Yuma, AZ and Sierra Evans-Dure, of Marshfield, MO; brother-in-law Edward L. Evans, of Yuma, AZ; daughter-in-law, Pamela Moye, of Richmond, VA; and a host of extended family and friends.

A private memorial service will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 5421 Germantown, Avenue Philadelphia, PA, with interment to follow. The family requests that donations be made to Alzheimer's Association at <https://www.alz.org/> Copy

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Olsen, Jennifer K.

Jennifer K. Olsen passed away on Monday, January 21, 2019 at Alexian Brothers Hospice in Elk Grove Village, Illinois, after a long illness. She was born on March 15, 1976. Her family moved to Oak Forest, IL when she was an infant and then to Western Springs, IL. Jennifer attended McClure Jr. High School and Lyons Township High School. She earned her Bachelor's Degree from Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ, and a Master's Degree in Special Education from Loyola University in Chicago, IL. Jennifer is survived by her mother, Florence (Richard) Nogaj of Wheaton, her father, Allen (Carol) Olsen of Glen Ellyn, her sister, Johanna (Paul) Daly of Willow Springs, her beloved nephews Paul, Jr., Thomas and James Daly, and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Jennifer lived in Chicago for many years and the last six years in Arlington Heights with her loving partner, Marlon Harry. Jennifer was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Earl and Norma Campbell, and her paternal grandparents, Theodore and Edith Olsen.

Jennifer was an avid traveler and spent vacations exploring many UNESCO World Heritage sites. A highlight of Jennifer's life was teaching English to students in Japan in 2003-2004. Jennifer will be remembered fondly by all who knew her for her grace, kindness, strength and courage.

Memorial Visitation Sunday January 27, 2019 from 2 to 6 p.m. at **Williams-Kampp Funeral Home** 430 E. Roosevelt Rd. Wheaton, IL 60187. Services conclude at the funeral home. Info @ www.williams-kampp.com or (630) 668-0016.

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Olson, Todd O.

Todd O. Olson, 94, of Eagle River, WI, formerly of Prospect Heights, Skokie, and Evanston; beloved husband of the late Elizabeth (Betsy) Olson; loving father of Todd N., Karen (Ron) Kick, Connie (Larry) Van Oosten, and Mary Ellen (Tom) Casey; and dear grandfather of six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Visitation Saturday, January 26th, 9-11 A.M., at Kristan Funeral Home, 219 W. Maple Ave., Mundelein, IL. For details, 847-566-8020 or kristanfuneralhome.com.

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Ottolino, Rose

Rose Ottolino, 90, of Belvidere, passed away Saturday, January 5, 2019. She was born on February 26, 1928 in Chicago to Dominick and Maria (Maffei) Binetti.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at **Honquest Family Funeral Homes with Crematory, Mulford Chapel**, 4311 N. Mulford Rd., Loves Park, IL 61111 with visitation from 1:00 p.m. until time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Alzheimer's Association, 1111 S. Alpine Rd., #307, Rockford, IL 61108 or JourneyCare Hospice, 405 N. Lake Zurich Rd., Barrington, IL 60010. To share a memory or condolence please visit www.honquestfh.com

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Paluch, Nancy R.

Nancy R. Paluch nee Malawski; beloved wife of the late Anthony; loving mother of Susan (David) Dziubinski and the late David; cherished grandmother of Natalie, Jack and Andrew; fond sister of Paul (Carol) Malawski and the late Daniel (late Marilyn) Malawski; also loving aunt and friend of many. Visitation Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 11:30 a.m. at COLONIAL-WOJCIECHOWSKI FUNERAL HOME 6250 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago. Interment will follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery in Niles. In lieu of flowers, donations to Catholic Charities appreciated. Info 773-774-0366 or www.colonialfuneral.com



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Paynter, Bruce David

Bruce David Paynter, age 67, passed away January 20, 2019 at home in Glenview, IL. He was born in Evanston, IL on November 9, 1951 to the late Marietta and John Paynter. He was preceded in death by his son, Bryan Paynter, in 2008. He is survived by his loving wife Bonita Paynter (nee Berning), his son Brett Paynter (Laura), his granddaughter Charlotte Paynter, and his sister Megan Anderson (John). He was a fond uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Friday, January 25, 2019, 3-8 pm at Oehler Funeral Home (corner of Northwest Hwy./Rt.14 and Rand Rd.). Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2019, from 11:30 am until the time of service at noon at St. Catherine Labouré Catholic Church. Entombment to follow at Ridgewood Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Bruce's name to Northwestern University Athletics or School of Music (c/o Jack Griffin 1201 Davis Street Suite 1-400 Evanston, IL 60208) or Northshore Concert Band (1555 Sherman Ave #315 Evanston, IL 60201) or Wounded Warriors (230 W Monroe St Suite 200, Chicago, IL 60606). For additional information call 847-824-5155 or visit www.oehlerfuneralhome.com



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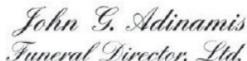
Thomas Polis 55, of Newark, DE and Cicero, IL, beloved husband of Laura and the late Roberta; loving father of Alexandra, Stephanie, Jaclyn and Cooper Polis, Philip and Michael Amodei, Kimberly Boals and Christina Fulton; dear grandfather of eight; cherished son of Sandra nee Sotka and the late Raymond Polis; fond brother of Robert (Bonnie) Polis, Mary (late William) Havener and Patricia (Chuck) Polakowski; dear uncle of eight nieces and nephews. Memorial visitation Saturday, January 26th. from 1:30-4:30 P.M. at Suburban Family Funeral Home 5940 W. 35th. St. (Corner of 35th. St. & Austin) Cicero. Inurnment will be at Resurrection Cemetery at a later date. For additional information, call 708-652-1116 or visit www.Suburbanfamilyffh.com.

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Polizos, Calliope

Calliope Polizos, nee Tzinares, of Livanates Greece, passed away on Sunday, January 20, 2019. Beloved wife of Nikolaos T. and loving mother of Dr. Theodore (Vicki) and Angelo (Heather) Polizos. Proud grandmother of Nikolaos, Kallie, Niko and Peter. Dear sister of the late George (Peggy) Tzinares and fond aunt of many nieces and nephews and their families.

Visitation Friday, January 25, 2019 from 4:00pm - 9:00pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. Family and friends will meet on Saturday morning, January 26, 2019 at St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, 2350 E. Dempster St., Des Plaines, IL 60016 for Funeral service at 10:00am. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers; please consider donating to St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church. Arranged by **John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd.** For more information please call 847-375-0095.



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Robbins, Roma

Roma Robbins, age 94, beloved wife of the late Manuel Robbins; loving mother of Mike (Mary), Mark (Cathy) and Marty (Chris) Robbins; cherished "Nama" of David, Anna, Jeffrey (Erin), Jori (fiancé Gregg Barton), Brett (Jade), Kevin, Andrew and Timothy Robbins; adored great grandmother of Gavin, Ryder and Teddi; Roma is survived by her brothers Bill (Sandy) and Sherwin (the late Arlene) Sider. Memorial service, Friday Jan 25, 12:00 PM at Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Avenue, Glencoe. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Doctors Without Borders or American Macular Degeneration Foundation. For information and condolences: 847.427.5695 or www.shalom2.com



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Sigle, William J.

William J. Sigle, 83, of Morton Grove, beloved husband of Arlene, nee Justus; loving father of Andy (Kim) and Kathy; dear grandfather of Maggie, Torie, Carlie, and Chris; fond brother of Laverne Stamer. Memorial visitation at **Simkins Funeral Home** 6251 Dempster St. Morton Grove, IL 60053 Monday from 3:00 p.m. until time of memorial service at 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to Misericordia 6300 Ridge Ave. Chicago, IL 60660 appreciated. Sign online guest book at www.simkinsfh.com. (847) 965-2500



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Singer, Alan Charles

Alan Charles Singer, 74; beloved husband for 46 years of Sherry nee Levitt; loving father of Allison (Timothy) Doyle and Mindy (Glenn) Kanter; adoring Papa of Haley, Brooke and Owen; dear brother of the late Garry (Pat) Singer; treasured uncle and friend of many. 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 American Heart Association. For information and to leave condolences: (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Sundberg, Dean Paul

Dean Paul Sundberg of Lake Forest IL., passed away Friday January 18, 2019. Husband of the late Mary Lou (2014). Father of Paul Andrew Sundberg and Anne Sundberg (Jeffrey) Stewart. Grandfather of Hannah and Russell Stewart, Lane and Charlie Sundberg. Brother of Bruce Sundberg and Susan Erickson. Preceded in death by his parents Ronald and Helen Sundberg. Memorial visitation Friday January 25, 2019 from 4:00PM to 7:00PM, Wenban Funeral Home, 320 Vine Ave., Lake Forest IL 60045. Funeral Service 10:00AM Saturday January 26, 2019, First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest, 700 N. Sheridan Rd. Lake Forest, IL Burial Private. Flowers Accepted or contribution to Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, 420 E. Superior, Arthur J. Rubloff Building, 9th Floor, Chicago, IL 60611. www.cancer.northwestern.edu Info: Wenban Funeral Home (847) 234-0022 or www.wenbanfh.com



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Theofanopoulos, Nick J.

Deputy Nick J. Theofanopoulos of Cook County Sheriff Department, age 39, of Oak Lawn. Beloved son of John and Georgia Theofanopoulos; loving brother of George (Debbie), Sam (Margaret), and Chrysoula (John) Viroztko; dear uncle of Sofia, Nick, Marina, George, John, Lucas, William, Nicole, David & George; grandson of Antonia Papadopoulos. Visitation Sunday, January 27, 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. at **Chapel Hill Gardens South Funeral Home**, 11333 S. Central Avenue, Oak Lawn, IL 60453. Funeral services Monday, January 28th 10:00 a.m. until time of service 10:30 a.m. at St. Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church, 12307 S. Ridgeland. Interment Chapel Hill Gardens South Cemetery. For funeral info please call 708-636-1200 or visit www.chapelhillgardens-south.com

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Tippens Jr., Albert Harris

Albert Tippens 87, A long time resident of Kenilworth formerly of Winnetka, died peacefully in his sleep with his beloved wife of 59 years Elicia (Childress) at his side. Albert was born August 16th 1931 in Shacker Heights, Ohio to Albert Harris Tippens and Constance Felt Tippens, he was a graduate of Culver Military Academy and Claremont Men's College. He is survived by his sister Ann Buck and sister-in-law Doris Tippen's and numerous nieces and nephews. He was a dedicated member of numerous organizations, especially Lawrence Hall were he was recently honored, with a plaque for 50 years of service, as well The Chicago Symphony. He was the grandson of Dorr Eugene Felt, the inventor of the Comptometer. He spent many of his summers in Saugatuck Michigan at his grandparents summer home which is now in the National Registry of Historic Houses and is now called the Felt Mansion. He was an accomplished musician. He loved the piano and played almost everyday of his life. He and his wife were world travelers and enjoyed going to France each year for 24 years. He was known for his joy and laughter and sense of humor.

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Valsa, Warren J.

Warren J. Valsa, age 80. He was a proud paratrooper in the 101st Airborne. He was also a longtime volunteer at the Field Museum. Warren is survived by his beloved wife Mary, nee Rogers; his 5 loving children, 9 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. Warren was preceded in death by his parents John and Marie Valsa along with his brother John Valsa. Visitation Friday Jan. 25th from 4-9 PM at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home** 6150 N. Cicero Ave. Chicago. Funeral Saturday 9:30 AM from the funeral home for 10 AM mass at Queen of All Saints Basilica. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or visit www.smithcorcoran.com



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Ward, Rita Joyce

Rita Joyce Ward (nee Thompson), passed away January 19. Joyce was born November 14, 1929 to Alfred and Mary (Rigney) Thompson. Beloved wife of the late Ray Ward. Loving mother to Diane (Bryan) Winter, Ray (Cheryl), Sharon (Don) Kubica, Mary Catherine "Kate" Woods, Linda Joyce "Joy" (Leo) Foertsch and Carol Ann. Proud grandma to Brendan (Megan) Winter, Ryan and Kristi Ward, Donna Kubica, Dana Woods, Tricia, Linda (Mike Thornton), Anna and Leo Foertsch. Great Grandma to Berend Winter, Jon Rus and Jackson Christie. Cherished sister of the late June (late Lewis) Murphy, Alfred Joseph (Carol) Thompson, Theodore (late Alberta) Rapczak, and Marion (late Francis) Rapczak. Dear aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Joyce and Ray worked many years side by side running Ward's Nursery, formerly in Glendale Heights. Visitation will be Friday, January 25, 3 - 8 PM at Leonard Memorial Home (565 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn). Funeral Mass will be Saturday, January 26 at 10 AM at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church (480 S Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn). Interment to follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Hillside. In lieu of flowers, we request that donations be made to St. Jude Research Hospital.

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Weissbluth, Linda Marsha

Linda Marsha Weissbluth, nee Tannenbaum. Beloved wife of Marc; dear mother of Elliot (Jennifer), Jed (Samantha), Michael, and Daniel Weissbluth; fond grandmother of Mia, Warren, Joey, Willow, Juliana, Graham, Dean, Margot, Estelle, and Truman Weissbluth; fond sister of Jan Tannenbaum. Private family services. Info: **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home** 847-256-5700.



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Yoselowitz, Lowell James

Most beloved husband and partner of Veronica, nee Andre; dearest brother of Frank (the late Beth); wonderful uncle of Ryan Yoselowitz, Brian (Justina) Evan and Aaron (fiance Emily Sitton) Nevel; dearest friend and "Brother in Law" of Ida Nevel and Arlyn Nevel; friend to many including Mike Dugan and family, Billy and Debby Post, Marty Nevel and Laura Nevel, Bob McKenna and family; dear brother in law of the entire Andre family; beloved son of Ray and Doris Yoselowitz; the best dad of the late Honey Sr., Honey Jr. and Laddie. Funeral services will be held 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 25, 2019 at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd., Wilmette, IL 60091. Interment Waldheim Cemetery, Gate 301. In lieu of flowers, contributions to ASPCA or PAWS appreciated. Funeral information 847-256-5700.



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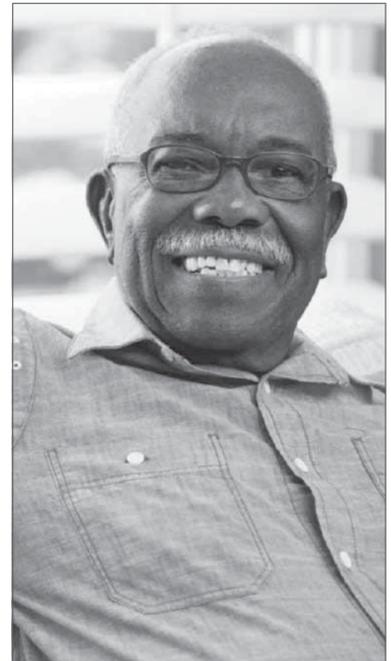


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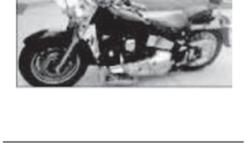
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ASSUMED NAMES

Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct or transaction of Business in the State" as amended, that a Certification was filed by the Undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County File No. Y19000299 on the Date: January 09, 2019 Under the Assumed Name of: Coveted Carvings with the business located at: 121 Hillgrove Avenue #581 La Grange, IL 605252 The true name and residence Address of the owner is: Diane Ciancagelli & John Ciancagelli 955 S 6th Ave La Grange, IL 60525



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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES

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Project Name: Developers and Owners of Residential Rental Housing Units to Utilize Project Based Vouchers (PBV) in the Development of Affordable Housing

Specification Number: 2019-100-001 Proposal Due Date: February 7, 2019 Time: 2:00 PM. Contact Person: Deborah O'Donnell Telephone Number: (312) 542-4725 E-mail Address: dodonnell@thehacc.org

The RFQ Package may be downloaded by registering on our website which lists a complete list of all current bid opportunities with the HACC.

www.thehacc.org/e-procurement-services

Qualifications that are not properly submitted will be considered non-responsive and be disqualified from consideration. Proposals submitted late will not be accepted. The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals if deemed in the best interest of the Housing Authority of Cook County.

Richard Monochio, Executive Director LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF COOK DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES

Proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of Cook County (HACC) on the date and time (Central Standard Time) stated for the specific Request for Proposal (RFP) listed below at 175 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 350, Chicago, Illinois, 60604.

Project Name: Eviction Services Specification Number: 2019-100-002

Questions Deadline: January 30, 2019 Time: 2:00 PM. Proposal Due Date: February 20, 2019 Time: 2:00 PM.

Contact Person: Deborah O'Donnell Telephone Number: (312) 542-4725 E-mail Address: dodonnell@thehacc.org

The RFP Package, specifications and architectural drawings may be downloaded by registering on our website which lists a complete list of all current bid opportunities with the HACC.

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Arnaysha Hardwick MINOR(S) CHILDREN OF Jazmine Smith (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00741 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Archie Hardwick (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 7, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Maxwell Griffin at 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/14/2019, at 1:30 PM in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 24, 2019

IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP OF WILLIAM KLIMA, SR. (BIOLOGICAL FATHER) AND DEBRA KLIMA (BIOLOGICAL MOTHER)

IN THE INTEREST OF Destiny Brown MINOR(S) CHILDREN OF Natasha Brown (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00212 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father) Any and All Unknown Fathers Any, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on March 2, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/07/2019 at 11:00 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, 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 24, 2019

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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 Taeshana Kasteel A MINOR NO. 2018JD01509

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Teresa Kasteel (Mother), AKA Teresa Kasteel Phn Loni (Guardian) Teresa Kasteel (Mother) Kosal Loni (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on September 10, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Linda Prael in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on 02/01/2019 at 9:00 AM in CALENDAR 60 COURTROOM 12.

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 24, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: M. Long, W. Lacy, A. Wright ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE SUBMISSION

In the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois. Notice is given to you, Thomas Tavera, Dejan Voicic, and Anteo Yanga, addresses unknown, that on the 15th day of February, 2019, a Motion for Default Judgement will be presented in the matter of Burda vs. Courtroom Square Condo, et al., Case No. 17 CH 005659, before Judge Anna M. Loftus, Courtroom 2410 at 10:00 a.m. Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the Motion, the Motion will stand and an order of judgment will be entered. You will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of this matter.

FORECLOSURES

F18060227FVST RLM IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, INC. Plaintiff -vs- JAMES G. SPENCER'S SUBDIVISION OF THE WEST 377.25 FEET OF THE SOUTH 8 RODS OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF LYING WEST OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 37 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.L.N.: 25-10-409-0004 Said property is commonly known as 10111 South Eberhart Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60628, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Beverly Trust Company an Illinois Corporation as Trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated the 3rd Day of October 1993 Known as Trust Number 8- 9415 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 018-0000 and which said Receiver's Lien is held by GLOBETROTTERS ENGINEERING CORPORATION and its agent DAVID FELLER, assigned to CITY OF CHICAGO, assigned to COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, INC., and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois as Document No. 1815516079. And for such other relief prayed; that summons was duly issued out of the said Circuit Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above defendant(s), file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at the Courthouse, in the RICHARD J. DALEY CENTER, 50 WASHINGTON STREET, ROOM 802, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602, or before February 18, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. Dorothy Brown Clerk of Circuit Court Cook County, Illinois. HAUSELMAN, RAPPIN & OLSWANG, LTD. Attorney for Plaintiff - Atty # 04452 29 E. Madison St., Suite 950 Chicago, IL 60602 (312)372 2020 Pub: 1/17, 24, 31/2019 6091054

F18400301notpub STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF COOK IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, INC. Plaintiff -vs- JAMES G. SPENCER'S SUBDIVISION OF THE WEST 377.25 FEET OF THE SOUTH 8 RODS OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF LYING WEST OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 37 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.L.N.: 25-10-409-0004 Said property is commonly known as 10111 South Eberhart Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60628, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Beverly Trust Company an Illinois Corporation as Trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated the 3rd Day of October 1993 Known as Trust Number 8- 9415 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 018-0000 and which said Receiver's Lien is held by GLOBETROTTERS ENGINEERING CORPORATION and its agent DAVID FELLER, assigned to CITY OF CHICAGO, assigned to COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, INC., and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois as Document No. 1815516079. And for such other relief prayed; that summons was duly issued out of the said Circuit Court against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above defendant(s), file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at the Courthouse, in the RICHARD J. DALEY CENTER, 50 WASHINGTON STREET, ROOM 802, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602, or before February 18, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a decree entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. Dorothy Brown Clerk of Circuit Court Cook County, Illinois. HAUSELMAN, RAPPIN & OLSWANG, LTD. Attorney for Plaintiff - Atty # 04452 29 E. Madison St., Suite 950 Chicago, IL 60602 (312)372 2020 Pub: 1/17, 24, 31/2019 6091026

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MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSP MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST., Plaintiff, v. UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ALFRED CRAIG, DECEASED; CHRISTINE RIVKIN, AKA CHRISTINE CRAIG; ALFRED BRECKENRIDGE, AKA ALFRED BECKENRIDGE; MILTON SMITH; DEMETRIA PUCKETT, AKA DEMETRIA VAUGHNS; CHERLYN HARRISON; CRAIG DAVIDSON; JACQUELINE GOODMAN; RENEE KING, AKA RENEE PARKER; THOMAS P. QUINN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF ALFRED CRAIG, DECEASED, Defendants, Case No. 2016CH13541 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Alfred Craig, deceased, Christine Rivkin, AKA Christine Craig, Milton Smith, Craig Davidson, Renee King, AKA Renee Parker, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: The following described Real Estate situated in the County of Cook in the State of Illinois, to-wit: Lot 16 in J.E. Merriam's Nob Hill Addition to Country Club Hills a Resubdivision of Lots 22 to 75 inclusive Lots 104 to 132 inclusive, Lots 157 to 186 inclusive, Lots 208 to 223 inclusive together with Vacated Streets, all in J.E. Merriam's Country Club Hills Sixth Addition, a Subdivision of part of the West 3/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Township 36 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. 16700 Butterfield Drive, Country Club Hills, IL 60478 28-26-103-032-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Alfred Craig, deceased, Christine Rivkin, AKA Christine Craig, Milton Smith, Craig Davidson, Renee King, AKA Renee Parker, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before February 9, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day 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 <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court, Alan S. Kaufman (6289893) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-askaufman@manleydeas.com file number: 16-026089 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078311

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON MORTGAGE SECURITIES CORP., HOME EQUITY ASSET TRUST 2004-4, HOME EQUITY PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-4, Plaintiff, v. MARIA A. HERNANDEZ; STATE OF ILLINOIS; BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICES, LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2018-CH-13670 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Maria A. Hernandez, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 32 in Block 1 in Marjory W. Wilkin's Subdivision of Block 13 in the Subdivision of the Southeast 1/4 and the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 26, Township 39 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. 2831 South Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, IL 60623 16-26-423-013-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Maria A. Hernandez, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before February 9 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day 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 <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court, Shanna L. Bacher (6302793) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-sibacher@manleydeas.com file number: 18-032152 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078329

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MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, v. MAE JONES; STEVEN S. PERDUE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH14360 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Steven S. Perdue, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 38 in Block 2 in Second Cottage addition to Roseland in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 37 North, Range 14, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. 10007 South Perry Chicago, IL 60628 25-09-414-003-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Steven S. Perdue, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before February 9, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day 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 <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court, Alan S. Kaufman (6289893) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-askaufman@manleydeas.com file number: 18-032057 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078320

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR REGISTERED HOLDERS OF LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-WL3, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-WL3, Plaintiff, v. AUGUSTINE MITCHELL; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; 1008 W. WASHINGTON BLVD. CONDOMINIUM, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH14424 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Augustine Mitchell, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Unit 6 together with its Undivided Percentage interest in the Common Elements in 1008 W. Washington Blvd., Condominium, as Delineated and Defined in the Declaration Recorded as Document Number 24571448, as amended from time to time, of part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 7, Township 39 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. 1008 West Washington Boulevard #6, Oak Park, IL 60302 16-07-316-049-1006 Now, therefore, unless you, Augustine Mitchell, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before February 9, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day 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 <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court, Alan S. Kaufman (6289893) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-askaufman@manleydeas.com file number: 18-033927 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 1/10, 17, 24/2019 6078340

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Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky soaks it all in Wednesday during practice for the Pro Bowl in Orlando, Fla.
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Star treatment

Although he would have preferred playing in the Super Bowl, **Mitch Trubisky** is excited to take part in this week's Pro Bowl

BY COLLEEN KANE | Chicago Tribune

ORLANDO, Fla. — Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky was having lunch with running back Benny Cunningham on Friday in Nashville, Tenn., during a weekend away with friends when he fielded the call from his coach.

Matt Nagy asked Trubisky what he was doing the following week. When Trubisky said he had no plans, Nagy offered the invitation to spend the week at the Pro Bowl in Orlando.

"I legit told him to stop 100 times," Trubisky said Wednesday from the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. "I'm like, 'You're messing with me. You're messing with me.' And he's like, 'No, I'm serious. I'm like, 'I'm there. I can't wait.'"

The excitement Trubisky feels for his first Pro Bowl appearance this week doesn't change the fact the Bears' first-round playoff loss to the Eagles just 18 days ago is still an open wound.

He hasn't yet brought himself to assess his second season after it ended prematurely. He glanced at scores and highlights from playoff games the last two weekends but hasn't been able to mentally stand watching a full game.

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Brad Biggs' season-ending roster rundown continues with offensive linemen. **Back Page**

NORTHWESTERN BASKETBALL

Falzon finally gets a chance to shine

Injury-plagued Wildcat's long-distance shooting keys critical win over Hoosiers

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN | Chicago Tribune

If you hoped to obtain the Twitter handle @ThxuDr-Naismith, you're out of luck. It belongs to the father of Northwestern's Aaron Falzon.

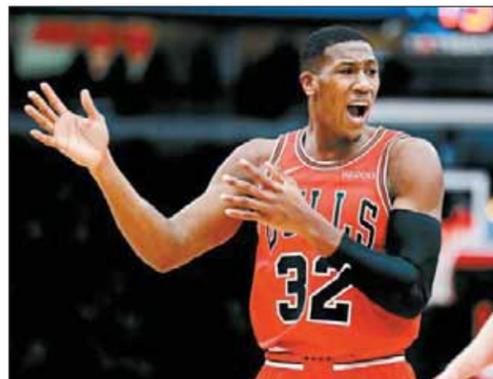
Eric Falzon chose it because the game James Naismith invented in 1891 has been very, very good to him and his family.

"Basketball has taken us all over the place," Falzon said. "All three of my kids have played, and there has been very little out-of-pocket (expenses) for me."

Oldest son Tevin played at Sacred Heart University in Connecticut. Daughter Madison switched to crew, her varsity sport at Syracuse.

Aaron Falzon — who scored a surprising 21 points in Northwestern's 73-66 victory against Indiana on Tuesday night — is a legit baller. He was a borderline top-100 recruit who beat out Jazz star Donovan Mitchell to earn player of the year honors in their New England prep school conference in 2015.

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BULLS & BLACKHAWKS

'I want to see him play with a swagger. I want to see him get in the game defensively first and push the pace and create for his teammates.'

— Bulls coach Jim Boylen on point guard Kris Dunn before Dunn's matchup with Hawks rookie Trae Young. The Bulls lost 121-101 to the Hawks at the United Center. **Page 3**

Blackhawks: The Hawks at least have the power play working heading into All-Star weekend. **Page 3**

WHITE SOX

Still hoping for a Machado signing

Renteria uncertain as to why prized free agent has not yet made a decision

BY PHIL THOMPSON | Chicago Tribune

Even if Manny Machado isn't with the White Sox — yet? — his presence looms large.

Manager Rick Renteria and several White Sox players read to preschoolers at an Englewood community center, but with the SoxFest fan convention this weekend and spring training around the corner, Machado's free-agency-in-limbo status couldn't be ignored.

"The winter has been very busy to say the least," Renteria said during the team's visit to the Mitzi Freidheim Englewood Child and Family Center. "We still are in flux."

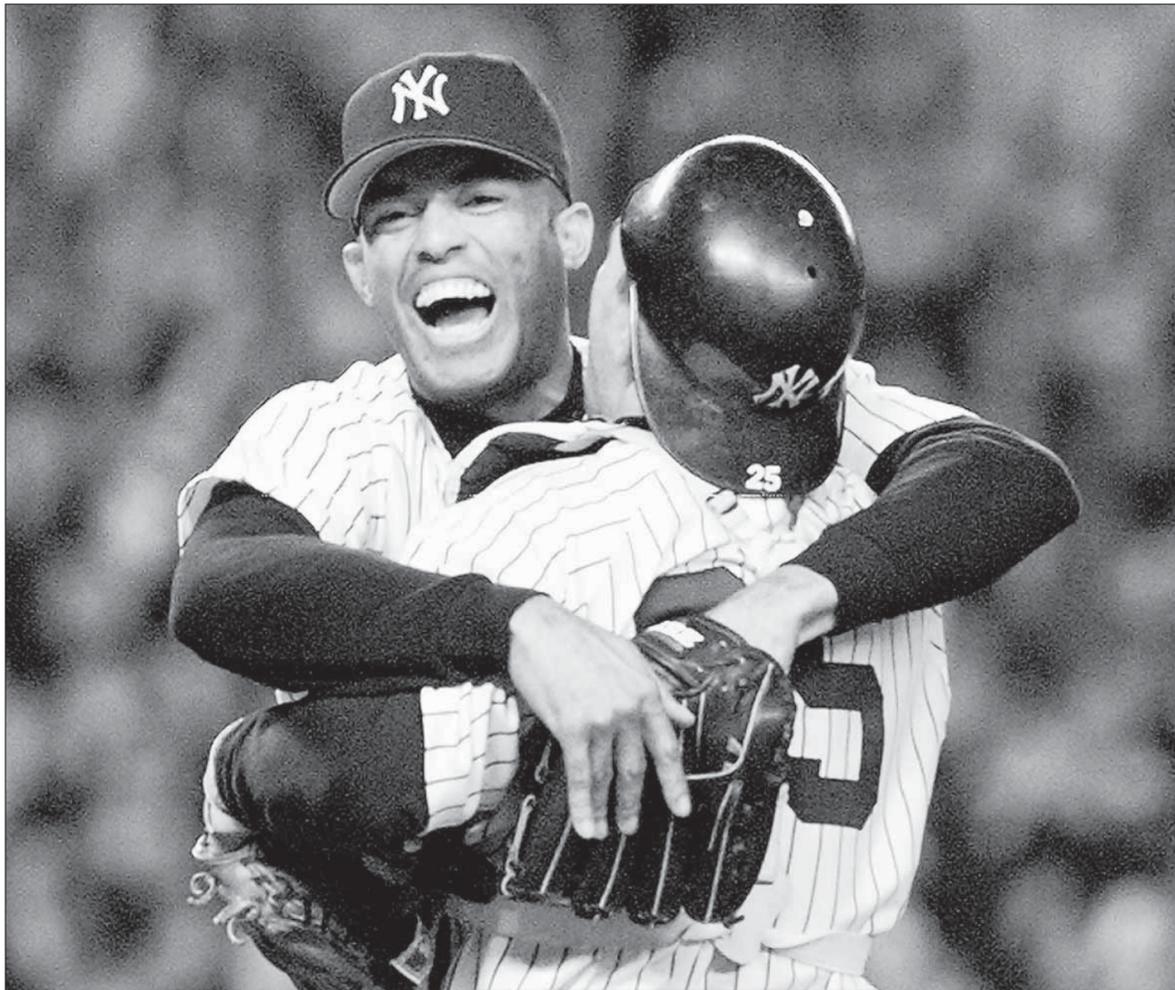
The Sox manager said the team had a great meeting with Machado and that it put on an impressive presentation to the prized free agent. But as to why Machado remains unsigned, Renteria wouldn't hazard a guess.

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Machado

TOP OF THE SECOND



TIMOTHY A. CLARY/AFP

The first unanimous entry into baseball's Hall of Fame, Mariano Rivera saved a record 652 games for the Yankees over 19 seasons.



PHIL ROSENTHAL

Rivera not feeling left out

Ernie Banks was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1977 with only 83.81 percent of the vote. Sixty-two writers — 62! — left Mr. Cub off their ballots.

Jackie Robinson entered the Hall with only 77.5 percent of the vote in 1962. Ted Williams received only 282 of 302 votes in 1966. Joe DiMaggio was named on 223 of 251 ballots in 1955. Nine voters denied Hank Aaron unanimous election in 1982.

There's none of that messy dissent for Yankees ace reliever Mariano Rivera, the first unanimous selection to the Baseball Hall of Fame by the Baseball Writers' Association of America, named on all 425 ballots.

The unanimity for Rivera is no great shock. As stats get crunched and reputations assessed even before players retire these days, Hall deliberations seem more likely to be settled well ahead of the actual vote.

Rivera was unquestionably a Hall of Famer, but a lot of great players were. By being left off ballots the writers have managed to implicitly cast doubt on those players' credentials.

The fact that the "Sandman" is the first inductee chosen without dissent is as strong an indictment of Hall voters as any of the dubious admissions and glaring omissions to date.

Babe Ruth getting only 95.13 percent of the vote in 1936 is not a good look. Seriously, who is more of a Hall of Famer for the ages than the Bambino?

Maybe personal feelings figured into writers leaving someone such as Williams off ballots. "The Splendid Splinter" had a famously contentious relationship with the press.

Aaron not being a unanimous pick, Robinson being snubbed by 36 of 160 voters, 23 of 432 leaving Willie Mays off their ballots in '79 and 64 voters failing to get behind Bob Gibson in 1981 makes it tempting to figure racism as a factor.

But Stan Musial came up 23 votes shy of unanimity in 1969 and Johnny Bench was 16 short when elected in 1989.

That four writers left Cobb off their ballots in the initial vote of 1936 is less remarkable than the 11 who didn't acknowledge Ruth and Wagner.

A more benign explanation for the lack of unanimity would be that, given a surefire candidate in a given year, perhaps some voters wanted to deploy their 10 possible votes elsewhere.

Or someone who covered the American League might have thought he didn't know enough about a National Leaguer in an era before ESPN and interleague play.

It seems there also was for a time resistance among some within the writers group to elect players in their first year of eligibility, a desire to see that as some higher honor reserved for the very top echelon.

That belief seems to be vanishing, though. Once the designation of "almost-certain Hall of Famer" is conferred on a player, it now seems silly to make him wait any longer than necessary.

In other words, right or wrong, barring some unforeseen scandal Derek Jeter's friends, fans and family can make their 2020 travel plans to upstate New York now.

Not counting the original five players voted into the Hall by the writers in 1936 — Ruth, Ty Cobb, Honus Wagner, Christy Mathewson and Walter Johnson — Banks was only the eighth player voted into the Hall in his first year of eligibility.

Admitted on their first ballot in the 41 years between Banks' election and that of Ruth, et al., were Mickey Mantle (1974), Warren Spahn ('73), Sandy Koufax ('72), Musial ('69), Williams ('66), Bob Feller ('62) and Robinson.

In the 42 years since Banks' election,

however, there have been 43 first-ballot Hall of Famers selected, including Rivera and the late Roy Halladay (85.41 percent) this year.

Twelve have come in the last six years, including former Cubs pitcher Greg Maddux in 2014 and White Sox alumni Frank Thomas (14), Ken Griffey Jr. (16) and Jim Thome (last year). Griffey came as close to unanimous selection as anyone had before Rivera, absent from only three ballots.

Onetime White Sox pitcher Tom Seaver failed to win over five of 425 writers in 1992, Nolan Ryan was omitted by six of 497 in '99 and Cal Ripken Jr. was skipped over by eight of 545 in 2007. With 98.53 percent of the vote, Ripken edged Cobb, who in '36 was endorsed by 98.23 percent.

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Admittedly, the initial class of inductees was crowded. Of the top 50 vote-getters — including Shoeless Joe Jackson at No. 36 — 43 now have made it to the Hall of Fame.

Cy Young finished eighth in '36, appearing on just 49.12 percent of the writers' ballots, well shy of the 75 percent needed for election. He cleared the hurdle the next year but with only two votes to spare, winning the endorsement of just 76.12 percent of the writers.

Young was some marginal case for the Hall of Fame.

From 1890 to 1911, he completed only 749 of the 815 games he started, pitching 7,335 innings and racking up 511 wins, all records that are seemingly destined to last forever.

Young also threw three no-hitters, including what's considered the first perfect game of baseball's modern era.

If Young wasn't a lock for Cooperstown in the writers' eyes, who could ever expect to be?

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CUBS

Descalso good fit for clubhouse

Cubs expect plenty from versatile bench player

By MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

As the oldest of six children, Daniel Descalso realized the importance of setting a good example.

"I'm very proud of all my kids," George Descalso said. "The first one teaches you a lot about what to expect."

"(Daniel) was a natural leader. We tried to teach our kids early in on time and on time is late. He's always (on time)."

And after winning a World Series title with the Cardinals eight years ago, the desire to win another ring remains Descalso's highest priority — even as he's no longer used exclusively as an infielder.

"My job is to show up, get the job done and help us win in a variety of ways," Descalso said.

Descalso, 32, hit .278 as a pinch hitter over the last three seasons, which should help make up for the loss of Tommy La Stella, who was traded to the Angels in November. Descalso will also give the Cubs a veteran presence — in the mold of David Ross or Jon Jay, a close friend of Descalso's — that was lacking last season.

"This guy is one of those under-the-radar kind of guys who is going to make a big impact this year," manager Joe Maddon said.

The Cubs' signing of Descalso to a two-year, \$5 million contract last month hardly added the pizzazz of a Bryce Harper deal, but Descalso's experience and unselfishness could help shore up a few deficiencies that President Theo Epstein pointed to at the end of last season.

Descalso played in 268 games with the Diamondbacks over the last two seasons despite starting only 144 times. Last season he hit .263 (10-for-38) as a pinch hitter, played four positions and pitched twice. He was 25-6 in three seasons as the ace at St. Francis High School in Mountain View, Calif.

Descalso made such a favorable impact that Diamondbacks manager Torey Lovullo let him manage a game — excluding late-inning pitching changes — a day after the Diamondbacks clinched a National League wild-card berth in 2017.

"He has a thorough understanding of the game and each player," Lovullo said. "When it's all said and done, he can pick and choose what he wants to do."

Descalso began to develop a reputation for versatility as a second-base prospect in the Cardinals organization. He quickly adjusted to playing third base to help preserve the health of David Freese.

Descalso shouldn't have any trouble with Maddon's "Be Uncomfortable" mantra after playing under Hall of Fame manager Tony La Russa, "who would see how you would react" to spontaneous moves.

"If you showed no fear with the unconventional moves, you're always a step ahead," Descalso said.

Another Cardinals ally was veteran utility player Skip Schumaker, who competed with Descalso for at-bats but "taught me how to be a pro with my teammates."

"He showed me the ropes," Descalso said. "He tried to pay it forward."

Descalso, a football-baseball standout in high school, returned the favor to younger St. Francis players by working out with them several years after fellow alumni, including Eric Byrnes, prepared for spring training by working out with him and his teammates.

That winter routine continued until a few years ago, when Descalso moved an hour away with his wife and high school sweetheart, Julie, and their two young children.

"He's loyal to his school, his teammates and friends," said Chris Bradford, who ranks Descalso as a favorite during his 31 seasons as St. Francis varsity baseball coach.

"I never had to worry about him," said Bradford, who retired in 2006. "I don't remember having to coach him. He was a well-advanced player. I never stepped away from practice. But if I had to, I'd have no problem knowing he could run the practice."

George Descalso, a former outfielder at St. Mary's College in Northern California, saw his eldest child as mature beyond his years, enough to let him drive 14 miles to high school each morning during his senior season at 17.

"The younger siblings look up to you," Daniel Descalso said. "I tried to get good grades and lead by example."

Descalso couldn't be more excited to join his new team.

"When the Cubs call, you take notice," Descalso said. "It's a storied franchise."

Said Bradford: "The Cubs got the perfect guy."

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Sox still holding out hope for Machado arrival

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"What the dynamics are for why it's not completed yet with anybody, let alone ourselves, you kind of scratch your head a little bit," he said.

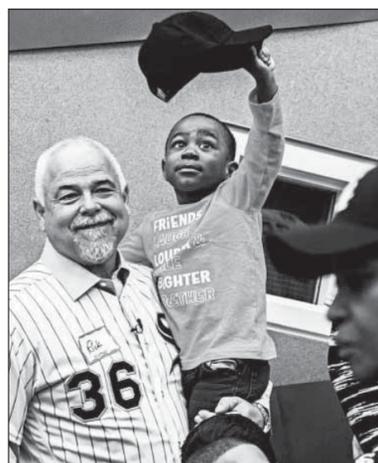
"But you know what? Everybody's doing their due diligence and trying to get a young man that's extremely talented, probably doing the best they can to get him under the best terms."

Machado has made it clear to teams that he desires to play shortstop, though the consensus is most would rather slot him in at third base. His arrival could push incumbent shortstop Tim Anderson out of position, though the three-year veteran made great strides defensively in the second half of last season.

Anderson said he would welcome Machado as a teammate.

"I just want to win championships," Anderson said. "So however they want to use me, wherever they want to use me, I'm OK with it. I'm just here to play and have fun."

But similar to the sentiment he expressed after the Sox drafted Nick Madrigal last year, Anderson said he will compete for his spot.



White Sox manager Rick Renteria holds a young student Wednesday at the Mitzi Freidheim Child and Family Center.

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Prospecting: The Sox landed four of the top 26 prospects and six overall in Baseball Prospectus' "The Top 101" rankings, which the publication released Wednesday.

Slugging outfielder Eloy Jimenez heads the Sox on the list at No. 4, followed by Madrigal at No. 15, right-handers Michael Kopech and Dylan Cease at 24 and 26, outfielder Luis Robert at 45 and right-hander Dane Dunning at 76.

Only the Padres (nine), Braves (eight) and Rays (seven) have more prospects on the list than the Sox. The top three prospects are Blue Jays third baseman Vladimir Guerrero Jr., Angels outfielder Jo Adell and Padres shortstop Fernando Tatis Jr.

Three other Sox who were on last year's list dropped out: right-hander Alec Hansen (No. 40 in 2018), third baseman Jake Burger (No. 84) and outfielder Blake Rutherford (No. 90).

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Asked whether he still sees himself at shortstop, Anderson replied, "What do you think?"

"Definitely, I see myself at shortstop," he said. "And it's going to be tough move me. I put a lot of work (in) to get to where I am today and I just think the team's working. It's not going to be easy to move me."

BULLS



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

BULLS RECAP | John Collins scored 35 points on 14-for-16 shooting, hitting all four of his 3-point attempts, to lead the Bulls to a 121-101 victory over the Bulls on Wednesday night at the United Center. Collins' performance more than made up for Hawks rookie Trae Young's 1-for-12, five-point night. The Bulls trailed by 17 after one quarter. Above, the Hawks' Taurean Prince battles the Bulls' Bobby Portis. For the full story from Wednesday night's game, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

HAWKS 121, BULLS 101

Dunn looks at every opponent the same

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

As far as Kris Dunn is concerned, every night in the NBA brings a challenge.

So try to engage him about the significance of his first matchup with Hawks rookie Trae Young on Wednesday and be ready to be met with the same stonewall approach Dunn tries to bring to the defensive end.

"I do what I do against everybody — play defense," Dunn said matter-of-factly, when asked what he will try to do against Young.

Dunn sat out with an injury during the Bulls' Oct. 27 road victory over the Hawks, the game in which Bulls backup Ryan Arcidiacono outplayed the hyped No. 5 pick.

The Bulls brought Young in for a pre-draft workout last June as questions swirled about whether Dunn is the franchise's long-term answer at point guard. The Bulls ended up focusing more on big men — entertaining ideas to trade up for Jaren Jackson Jr. and ultimately staying at No. 7 to select Wendell Carter Jr. — but that hasn't stopped the questions surrounding Dunn.

Only more consistent play can.

"Just staying positive and working. That's what I do, work hard," Dunn said on his approach in striving for more consistency. "I bring it every day, to practice, to shoot-around. Just staying consistent with the little things, and eventually it's going to carry over."

Dunn finished with 16 points and three assists in close to 27 minutes during the Bulls' 121-101 loss to the Hawks. Young missed his first seven shots, went 1-for-12 overall but posted 12 of the Hawks' 31 assists.

"We gotta guard," Dunn said. "We gotta play defense."

In fact, Dunn said "we gotta guard" in response to several questions about the Bulls' blowout loss.

"You can't just play offense," he said. "To

have a good defense, everyone has to be one. We all gotta know what we're doing. In this league, one little mistake can lead to open shots. When there are multiple mistakes, they get easy buckets."

Dunn consistently deflects questions about the added pressure on him since he's eligible for an extension of his rookie deal this offseason. This is, after all, someone who overcame a well-publicized atypical childhood in which he and his older brother briefly were abandoned by their mother and left to fend for themselves before their father gained custody.

That's not to say Dunn doesn't put pressure on himself to play well, to lead the team. It's more to say he's focused on what he feels is important.

"I think it starts with me a little bit — picking out (defensively) full-court sometimes, picking up half-court," Dunn said. "When they miss shots, try to get guys running. It allows everybody to play up-tempo and shows guys we're going to run today."

"I know we're definitely trying to push the pace. I'm going to try to get my guys running."

That is an offensive departure from the early days of Jim Boylen's coaching tenure. Boylen, who initially deployed a slower offensive philosophy, did promise the Bulls eventually would run after they learned to crawl and then walk.

Dunn has been released to at least run selectively.

"I want to see him play with a swagger. I want to see him get in the game defensively first and push the pace and create for his teammates," Boylen said. "What we talk about a lot is good decisions: when to run, when to set up. When you're open, shoot, and when you're not, create for somebody. I just hope his decisions and energy are good."

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CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
Bulls guard Kris Dunn puts up a shot over Hawks guard Trae Young in the first half of Wednesday night's game.

BLACKHAWKS

THREE TAKEAWAYS

From the Hawks' 3-2 shootout victory over the Islanders on Tuesday

Power play on roll heading into break

By JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

Even Blackhawks coach Jeremy Colliton is ready for a break.

The Hawks' new coach has worked tirelessly to try to turn the season around, but he's looking forward to the nine days off, starting with the All-Star break.

"Well, it's nice," Colliton said. "I'm not going to turn them down. Could use a little practice time too. I think everyone is going to enjoy the time away, get recharged mentally and physically and hopefully come back ready to work."

They'll return on a modest two-game winning streak thanks to Tuesday's exciting 3-2 shootout win over the Islanders at the United Center. Here are three takeaways from Tuesday night's game.

1. The power play continues to amaze.

Over their first 35 games the Hawks went 12-for-105 on the power play, which was the worst conversion rate (11.4 percent) in the league.

Now, over the last 16 games, the Hawks have gone 19-for-48 and have a power-play goal in nine straight games. It has started to feel strange when the Hawks don't score on a power play.

They've nearly doubled the season conversion rate to 20.4 percent and are all the way up to 16th in the league. How can a team that was so bad for so long become so good?

"Well, we got our confidence," Jonathan Toews said. "We're relaxed. We know how to get pucks out of tough areas when we take shots or if there's broken plays. I think everyone's just feeling confident that if we're mixing around or if I'm in the middle on the wall (Alex DeBrincat) can fill in or (Dylan Strome), (Patrick Kane). We're just kind of filling different positions at different times."

"We just know where guys are and and we're relaxed. We know that if they dump it down it's no big deal, we're confident in our breakout. We're not forcing anything. We're doing a good job of wearing teams down and then eventually the plays work out."

The first unit has done nearly all of the scoring on the power play, and that unit has consisted of Kane, Toews, Strome, DeBrincat and Erik Gustafsson. Kane and DeBrincat have been doing the bulk of the scoring with many gorgeous one-timers. But Colliton gave a lot of credit to Gustafsson.

"I just think Gus up top makes a big difference," Colliton said. "Releasing either Brinksy or Kaner on the flanks and I think Strome's done a really good job at the front, so you have three guys that have kind of been there. But the more they play together they get a lot of chemistry (and) the more they get comfortable with each other."

2. Strome is quietly on a 64-point pace with the Hawks.

When Strome arrived from the Coyotes in November he brought untapped potential and concern he would never break out. Almost immediately, he began to fit in and he has been on the scoresheet consistently.

During his 27 games with the Hawks, Strome has nine goals and 12 assists, which would be a 64-point pace over a full season. Given that Strome had only 16 points in 48 games with the Coyotes, the Hawks are more than happy with his production. And so is Strome.

"I feel good, I feel confident with the puck," Strome said. "I just feel good with the puck around the net and lucky to bank some in. Hopefully I can keep it rolling."

3. Colliton had the Hawks ready to play.

If the Hawks had come to the United Center on Tuesday and lost, or even been blown out, nobody would have been too surprised. They were facing a red-hot Islanders team and this was the final game before the Hawks' nine-day break.

The first period was iffy, but the second period was one of the Hawks' best of the season and they never let up in eking out the 3-2 shootout victory.

"It's nice," Colliton said. "Sit on this result for quite a few days, so good for everyone's mental health to get a result. I thought we played hard. I thought we deserved to win. That should make everybody feel good to come back with more energy."

Colliton has a 12-18-6 record since taking over for Joel Quenneville, a record that isn't going to have anybody doing handstands. But aside from a couple of clunkers, the Hawks have consistently played hard and are 8-5-3 over their last 16 games.

Colliton took a moment on Tuesday to talk about what he expects of himself over the season's final 31 games.

"I think I can do better and I will do better," Colliton said. "We're not where we want to be, so told the guys a few times, as a staff we're going to be relentless in trying to improve because we want to be at the top of the league, not where we are."

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BULLS NOTES

Hutchison's show of maturity belies his youth

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

This has been some introduction to the NBA for rookie Chandler Hutchison.

He has experienced a coaching change and plenty of losing. He has started 12 games, come off the bench 30 times and sat either by coach's decision or as an inactive six times.

He has seen a lot.

"You use it all as a learning experience," Hutchison said. "The way I was raised, taught to try to stay level-headed, I think I'm built to handle all this. This is all I know. I don't have anything to compare it to, so I just focus on what I can control."

Of late, that's an increased role. Wednesday marked Hutchison's 10th straight start since the Bulls traded Justin Holiday, opening up the small forward position. Including one reserve appearance, Hutchison entered the matchup against the Hawks averaging 7.8 points and 5.3 rebounds on

48.6 percent shooting in 27 minutes.

"I think I've been more aggressive and more confident," he said. "That just comes from being more comfortable and building some trust with these guys. They've played with me more and seen me make the right decisions on offense and defend and help them."

"I wouldn't say that I'm consistent yet. I'm still learning when I'm going to get my touches. That's an adjustment and it probably won't be solidified this whole season, but I'm trying to be reliable with my rebounding and defending. If I can say I did those two things after the game, I'm happy."

Man in middle: Wendell Carter Jr. may only be 19 and a rookie, but that doesn't mean losing him for likely the rest of this season won't have an impact.

"You're definitely losing a defensive presence," Kris Dunn said. "He does an unbelievable job as a rookie of walling up

and getting blocks. For a rookie, his communication on the defensive side is pretty big. He contests a lot of shots."

"He's mature for his age. I think he has great listening skills. Whatever the coach tells him to do, he picks up on it right away."

Layups: The Bulls attempted 30 3-pointers in Monday's victory over the Cavaliers despite ranking last in attempts since Jim Boylen took over as coach. So what's Boylen's ideal number of attempts? "I feel in my heart that 45 might be too many for this group, but 25 isn't enough," he said. "I don't have a stat that correlates to, 'If we take this many what our chances of winning are?' I haven't done that. I'm sure we can figure that out. I want us to take open shots, good shots." ... Boylen fielded several Carmelo Anthony questions despite widespread reporting that the 10-time All-Star, acquired Tuesday in a cash deal with the Rockets, won't report to the Bulls.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Injury-plagued Falzon gets his chance to shine for Wildcats

Northwestern, from Page 1

The 6-foot-8 wing from Newton, Mass., had a 45-point game in high school. Falzon scored 20 in his Northwestern debut against Massachusetts-Lowell and matched that two months later at Minnesota. He scored in double figures 11 times that season and averaged 8.4 points while starting 29 of 32 games as a freshman. But soon after his body began to betray him — hip problems, knee issues.

"A random quad injury," Falzon said. After redshirting in 2016-17, Northwestern's NCAA tournament season, he trudged along last season at well less than 100 percent.

Basketball has not always been very, very good to Aaron Falzon.

"He put his whole life into basketball; he loves it," his father said. "Part of his heart was taken."

An ankle injury sidelined the redshirt junior for most of the first six weeks of this season, during which he fell from the rotation as freshmen Miller Kopp and Pete Nance surpassed Falzon. He saw action in three games before Tuesday, scoring all six of his points in an 88-46 rout of Chicago State.

"I told him: Just stay ready; I haven't given up on you," Wildcats coach Chris Collins said. "There will be a night when we will need you for a boost, maybe because of sickness or injury."

At noon Tuesday, a team trainer informed Collins that Nance had contracted mono and would be sidelined for several weeks. Collins pulled Falzon aside at the shoot-around: *Remember what we talked about?*

Northwestern trailed Indiana 20-13 after 13 minutes at Welsh-Ryan Arena. The season was on the brink, with the Wildcats in danger of falling to 2-6 in Big Ten play.

"(We) couldn't throw it in the ocean," Collins said.

Falzon entered the game and hit a 3. And another. Then he airballed one.

His father, watching on TV, noticed Aaron's reaction: "They flashed to him and he laughed it off. That's when I knew: He's not done. He's going to hit some more."

Falzon (pronounced Fal-ZONE) launched seven 3-pointers against the Hoosiers and made six. He fired from all directions, including a corner 3 he seemed to release in the time it takes to snap a finger. Aaron learned the quick release as a means of survival, the only way to squeeze off shots against big brother Tevin and his taller friends.

The NU bench went nuts every time Falzon knocked one through.

"When he was making shots," teammate



DAVID BANKS/AP

Northwestern teammates react after Aaron Falzon sinks one of his six 3-pointers Tuesday night in a win against Indiana.

Dererk Pardon said, "I felt like I was making shots."

Falzon might have saved his college career while rescuing Northwestern's season. He finished with 21 points in less than 20 minutes: 6-for-7 from the field, 3-for-3 from the free-throw line.

"Unbelievable," Falzon said. "I couldn't have dreamt it."

After the Wildcats won to improve to 12-7 (3-5 in the Big Ten), Falzon's teammates showered him with water in the locker room.

Collins got emotional during a postgame interview on Big Ten Network. As he said Wednesday: "I love the kid. He loves to be in the gym, but his body has failed him. It's been heartbreaking. But you see him work his ass off, and this was a big game we needed to win."

"It could be a shot in the arm; there was a new energy for us. You saw his teammates act like this was a new toy to play with."

Falzon is viewed as a defensive liability for his relative lack of speed, but he blocked two shots and took a charge. Truly, this was a rebirth.

"We could see how happy he was," Eric Falzon said. "It brought my wife to tears to see him smile like that."

The smile was nearly as wide as the 1,109-day gap between his 20-point games. The first came Jan. 20, 2016.

Falzon spoke to his parents nearly every day during that gap, especially during darker moments.

"My dad would call every day to keep my spirits up," Falzon said. "I think he felt worse than I did. He'd say, 'Aaron, you're still good. We love you and things will get better.'"

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 - 13 Burial site
 - 14 Banishment into
 - 15 Tramp
 - 16 Impolite
 - 17 Erroneous; misleading
 - 19 Cake ingredient
 - 20 Drives in reverse
 - 21 Takes a break
 - 22 Vote into office
 - 24 Texter's giggle
 - 25 Chicago gangster Al
 - 27 Labor Day, for one
 - 30 Embrace as one's own
 - 31 Highly seasoned
 - 33 Actor Marvin
 - 35 Tupperware covers
 - 36 "Be quiet!"
 - 37 Kill
 - 38 Journal
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL



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Northern Illinois forward Noah McCarty is swarmed by teammates after making the winning layup Tuesday night against No. 14 Buffalo.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

Fun believable: 'We belong'

Huskies hope upset of No. 14 Buffalo will be a springboard

BY SHANNON RYAN | Chicago Tribune

After Northern Illinois basketball victories, coach Mark Montgomery instructs a student manager to hurry into the locker room and turn on some celebration music before the team enters.

The party in the Convocation Center locker room was especially joyous Tuesday after the Huskies beat No. 14 Buffalo 77-75.

"We were really happy," said junior forward Noah McCarty, who made the winning layup with 0.6 seconds left. "Coach Monty came in and busted some moves for us. (His dancing) wasn't too bad. It wasn't the best; it wasn't the worst. I couldn't even tell you what song was playing. We were just celebrating."

The party started on the floor. Students stormed the court, and a few teammates tackled McCarty, who topped his 21st birthday celebration Monday night.

The victory was the Huskies' first over a ranked team since they beat Oral Roberts in 1973 at Chicago Stadium and their first over a ranked opponent at home since 1972 against No. 5 Indiana.

The winning play was designed to go to

senior Dante Thorpe, but Buffalo double-teamed Thorpe on the inbound pass and "the freshman was open," Montgomery said, referring to Trendon Hankerson.

As Hankerson brought the ball across midcourt, McCarty set a screen and then rolled off to get open in the lane, take the pass from Hankerson and make the layup. Both players are reserves.

"Before the season, I always tell the guys, 10 to 15 games will be decided in the last two or three minutes of the game," Montgomery said. "Some of the regulars were not having their best games (against Buffalo). This game hopefully helps the bench continually stay ready and keep working. You can say it — you're a family, you work hard — but when you go out and do it, it's pretty special."

The hope is this game can be a step up the ladder for the Huskies (11-8, 4-2 Mid-American Conference), who have struggled to maintain consistency.

Montgomery, in his eighth season, has had ups and downs in DeKalb. After taking over a program that went 35-83 over the previous four seasons and hadn't been to the NCAA tournament since 1996, he entered this season with an 88-133 record. Transfers, graduate transfers — like at many midmajor programs — and untimely injuries have dealt blows to the program.

After five-win seasons in each of Montgomery's first two years, the Huskies had improved to 21 wins by his fifth season in 2015-16. But they slid to 15-17 and 13-19 the last two seasons.

Buffalo arrived in DeKalb with only one loss, at Marquette, and wins over West Virginia and Syracuse. The Bulls upset Arizona in the first round of the NCAA tournament last year and returned guard CJ Massinburg, who hit a tying 3-pointer nine seconds before McCarty's winner.

"This is a monumental win," Montgomery said. "We have to enjoy this moment and enjoy this team. We have to worry about the follow-up, and hopefully this group can be the one that turns it."

The Huskies are aiming for a first-round bye in the MAC tournament as one of the top four seeds and perhaps a path to the NCAA tournament.

"When the opportunity comes along to play a team like (Buffalo) that's ranked in the top 25 and play in front of the home fans and get a win like that, it's a marquee win," McCarty said. "It definitely means a lot for the program. (Beating Buffalo) gives us a sense that we belong and a certain level of respect we should be given."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Wisconsin grinds out win over the Illini

Associated Press

Illinois lost to Wisconsin for the 14th consecutive time Wednesday night, falling 72-60 at State Farm Center in Champaign.

The Illini slowed down star Ethan Happ, but all four other Badgers starters scored in double figures.

Nate Ruevers scored 22 points with 10 rebounds, D'Mitrik Trice added 16 points, Khalil Iverson had 12 and Brad Davison 10 for Wisconsin (12-6, 4-3 Big Ten).

Happ scored nine points with nine rebounds and six assists, but he also committed six turnovers and battled foul trouble for most of the game. He was called for a flagrant foul with 9:38 to play, and Aaron Jordan's two free throws tied the score 49-49.

The Illini (5-13, 1-6) could not take advantage due to their poor shooting. They shot 22-for-62 from the field, 4-for-21 on 3-pointers and 12-for-22 on free throws.

Georgi Bezhaniashvili led Illinois with 20 points and eight rebounds. Aaron Jordan was the only other Illini in double figures with 10 points while shooting 2-for-10.

Marquette 79, DePaul 69: Markus Howard scored 13 of his 23 points in the final six minutes and Sam Hauser added 19 as the No. 12 Golden Eagles (17-3, 6-1 Big East) moved to 14-0 at the new Fiserv Forum.

DePaul, which trailed by 14 in the first half, pulled to 56-52 on Max Strus' layup with 7:31 remaining.

Howard then scored five consecutive points to trigger an 11-point run. Marquette extended the lead to 67-56 on two free throws by Hauser with 3:47 left.

Paul Reed had 18 points and Femi Olujobi added 15 for the Blue Demons (11-7, 3-4), who had won three of four.

Missouri State 70, Loyola 35: The Ramblers were routed in Springfield, Mo., on a rough night for road teams in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Loyola (12-8, 5-2) remained tied for first place with Valparaiso, which lost 70-53 at Indiana State while third-place Illinois State stumbled 85-68 at Bradley.

Cameron Krutwig led the Ramblers with 15 points.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW AP MEN'S TOP 25 FARED WEDNESDAY

- Tennessee (17-1) beat Vanderbilt 88-83. Next: vs. West Virginia, Saturday.
- Duke (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.
- Virginia (17-1) did not play. Next: at Notre Dame, Saturday.
- Gonzaga (18-2) did not play. Next: at Santa Clara, Thursday.
- Michigan (18-1) did not play. Next: at Indiana, Friday.
- Michigan State (17-2) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Iowa, Thursday.
- Nebraska (19-1) beat Colorado State 100-60. Next: at UNLV, Tuesday.
- Kentucky (15-3) did not play. Next: No. 9 Kansas, Saturday.
- Kansas (16-3) did not play. Next: at No. 8 Kentucky, Saturday.
- Virginia Tech (15-3) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Saturday.
- North Carolina (15-4) did not play. Next: at Georgia Tech, Tuesday.
- Marquette (17-3) did not play. Next: at Xavier, Saturday.
- Maryland (16-4) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Saturday.
- Buffalo (17-2) did not play. Next: at Kent State, Friday.
- Texas Tech (15-4) did not play. Next: vs. Arkansas, Saturday.
- Auburn (13-5) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Mississippi State, Saturday.
- Houston (19-1) did not play. Next: at East Carolina 94-50. Next: at Tulsa, Sunday.
- Villanova (15-4) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Sunday.
- Iowa (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Michigan State, Thursday.
- Mississippi State (14-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 24 Iowa State, Saturday.
- N.C. State (15-3) did not play. Next: at No. 23 Louisville, Thursday.
- Mississippi State (14-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Auburn, Saturday.
- Iowa State (14-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 21 N.C. State, Thursday.
- Louisville (14-5) did not play. Next: at No. 20 Mississippi State, Saturday.
- LSU (15-3) beat Georgia 92-82. Next: at Missouri, Saturday.

HOW AP WOMEN'S TOP 25 FARED WEDNESDAY

- Notre Dame (18-1) did not play. Next: at Tennessee, Thursday.
- Notre Dame (18-1) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Sunday.
- UConn (17-1) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Mississippi State, Saturday.
- Louisville (17-1) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Florida State, Thursday.
- Oregon (17-1) did not play. Next: at Washington State, Friday.
- Stanford (16-1) did not play. Next: at Colorado, Friday.
- Mississippi State (17-1) did not play. Next: at Florida, Thursday.
- N.C. State (18-0) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Thursday.
- Oregon State (15-3) did not play. Next: at Washington, Friday.
- Marquette (16-3) did not play. Next: at Xavier, Friday.
- Maryland (16-2) did not play. Next: at Ohio State, Thursday.
- Texas (16-3) beat Kansas 62-43. Next: at Texas Tech, Saturday.
- Syracuse (15-4) lost to Miami 84-71. Next: at Duke, Sunday.
- Rutgers (15-4) lost to No. 17 Iowa 72-66. Next: at Penn State, Sunday.
- Kentucky (16-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 25 Missouri, Thursday.
- Mississippi State (13-5) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Thursday.
- Iowa (15-4) beat No. 14 Rutgers 72-66. Next: vs. Purdue, Sunday.
- Gonzaga (17-2) did not play. Next: vs. San Francisco, Thursday.
- South Carolina (13-5) did not play. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, Monday.
- Iowa State (14-4) did not play. Next: at No. 20 Oklahoma State, Saturday.
- Utah (16-1) did not play. Next: vs. California, Friday.
- Florida State (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Louisville, Thursday.
- Mississippi State (13-5) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Thursday.
- Auburn (14-4) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Thursday.
- Michigan (15-5) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Kentucky, Thursday.

WEDNESDAY RESULTS

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Wis.-Whitewater 88, Wis.-Platteville 80	Holy Cross 98, Army 39
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Colgate 57, Lafayette 47	V. Virginia 68, Texas Tech 65
Hartford 74, New Hampshire 39	SOUTH
La Salle 73, Fordham 71	Cent. Arkansas 62, New Orleans 60
Lehigh 85, Navy 74	Memphis 47, S. Florida 40
Mass.-Lowell 85, Binghamton 79	Nicholls 85, Texas A&M-CC 55
Rhode Island 71, VCU 65	Richmond 46, Saint Joseph's 45
Saint Joseph's 74, Richmond 70	SE Louisiana 73, Houston Baptist 65
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Stony Brook 67, Albany (NY) 66, OT	W. Carolina 71, N. Greenville 44

STONY BROOK: 107TH AUSTRALIAN OPEN

At Melbourne Park, Melbourne; outdoors-hard	34	Unforced errors	24
Thursday's early result	8	Return unforced errors	2
#8 Petra Kvitová d.	128	Total points won	143
Daniela Rose Collins, 7-6 (2), 6-0	134 mph	Fastest serve	130 mph
MEN'S QUARTERFINAL SINGLES	120 mph	1st Serve Average	71.75-76
#1 Novak Djokovic d.	103 mph	2nd serve average	99 mph
#8 Kei Nishikori, 6-1, 4-1, ret.			
#28 Lucas Pouille d. #16 Milos Raonic, 6-4 (6), 6-3, 6-1 (2), 6-4			
RAONIC	CATEGORY	POUILLE	
25	Aces	14	
58 %	Double faults	4	
71 %	1st serve in	66 %	
55 %	Win 2nd serve	84 %	
1/11	Break points won	3/14	
47/81	Net points won	15/24	
27/122	Receiving points won	46/149	
59	won	62	
4	Return winners	8	

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at N. Kentucky	9½ Green Bay
at UNC-Wilmington	2 William & Mary
Hofstra	8 at J. Madison
at Temple	5½ Memphis
at Wright St.	14 Milwaukee
at Georgia St.	3 Texas St.
at Ga. Southern	10½ Texas-Arlington
Michigan St.	5½ at Iowa
at Oregon	13 Elon
Northeastern	9½ at Towson
at Cincinnati	14½ Tulsa
at UALR	3 Coast. Carol.
at Syracuse	9½ Miami
at Louisville	5½ NC State
at La.-Monroe	5 Troy
at La-Laf.	9½ S. Alabama
W Kentucky	1½ at Miss.
at Richmond	1 Mid. Tenn.
at Arkansas St.	2½ Appalach. St.
at North Texas	7 UAB
at UTA	9 Charlotte
at Illinois Chicago	5½ Wash. St.
at La. Tech.	3½ Marshall
Old Dominion	8½ at UTEP
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at Oregon	3 Washington
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at San Diego	6½ Loyola Marymnt
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at San Fran.	20½ at BYU
Saint Mary's CA	1 Arizona St.
at UCLA	1 Arizona St.
Gonzaga	19½ at Santa Clara
at Oregon St.	17 Portland
Colorado	5½ at California

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NEW ENGLAND	2½ L.A. Rams

PLAYER TO SCORE FIRST TOUCHDOWN?	11/4
Patriots Touchdown Pass	11/4
Rams Touchdown Pass	13/4
Patriots Field Goal	4/1
Rams Field Goal	17/4
Rams Touchdown Run	5/1
Patriots Touchdown Run	11/2
Patriots Any Other Touchdown	25/1
Rams Any Other Touchdown	30/1
Patriots Safety	60/1
Rams Safety	60/1

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PRO BOWL Sunday at Camping World

SUPER BOWL



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The Patriots acquired wide receiver Cordarrelle Patterson in a trade with the Raiders.

Some lessons for super success

By JOHN CLAYTON
Special to the Washington Post

Once again in the AFC, Tom Brady would not allow the torch to be passed. His 37-31 overtime win over Patrick Mahomes and a fatigued Chiefs defense allowed the Patriots to go to their ninth Super Bowl in the Brady-Bill Belichick era.

The NFC championship game was just as compelling as the Rams advanced with a 26-23 overtime victory after the Saints were robbed by the officials on a missed pass-interference call on Nickell Robey-Coleman.

The victories set up a Super Bowl matchup that in many ways will be painted as young (Rams quarterback Jared Goff and coach Sean McVay) versus old (Brady and Belichick). But there are also many similarities between the teams, and while some reasons for their success are obvious — Brady and Belichick are all-time greats, while McVay is considered perhaps the brightest young mind in the game — others are a little more hidden.

As the NFL's other 30 teams make their offseason changes, they would be wise to learn these lessons from the Super Bowl participants.

Lesson 1: Don't shy away from making trades.

Over the last several years, the Patriots have been one of the most aggressive teams in the trade market. Knowing the difficulty of getting rookies to play at a championship level, Belichick has mastered the strategy of trading for players in the third and fourth years of their rookie contracts.

The Patriots traded for left tackle Trent Brown, wide receiver Cordarrelle Patterson, defensive tackle Danny Shelton and cornerback Jason McCourty last offseason. In the previous offseason, they traded for wide receiver Brandin Cooks before dealing him to the Rams in April.

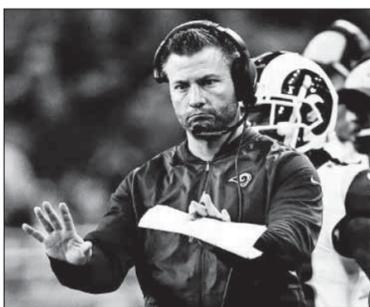
Part of the Rams' championship blueprint has been building through the trades of general manager Les Snead, who dealt for cornerbacks Marcus Peters and Aqib Talib along with Cooks in the offseason. He didn't stop there, acquiring edge rusher Dante Fowler Jr. from the Jaguars at the trade deadline. All have played pivotal roles, with Fowler making the hit on Drew Brees that forced the overtime interception that set up Greg Zuerlein's winning field goal.

Lesson 2: Place a high value on offensive line play and coaching.

According to Pro Football Focus, the four conference finalists ranked among the top 11 in offensive line play, with the Patriots ranking third and the Rams seventh.

The Rams rebuilt their line with the additions in the 2017 offseason of left tackle Andrew Whitworth and center John Sullivan — the two positions most GMs will tell you are the most important on any line. Offensive line coach Aaron Kromer is a valuable asset; he picked up on how the Cowboys were tipping off their stunts and blitzes by the way they lined up before the snap in the divisional-round matchup.

The Patriots might not have any big names on their line, but coach Dante Scarnecchia is one of the all-time best. His aggressive blocking scheme against the Chargers played a big role in that victory, and the work of Brown at left tackle since coming over in a trade with the 49ers has been impressive. The Patriots lost Nate Solder in free agency and then first-round pick Isaiah Wynn to a torn Achilles tendon before the season began and still found a way to build an effective front wall for Brady and the running game.



DUANE BURLESON/AP

Rams coach Sean McVay is considered one of the brightest young minds in the league.

Lesson 3: In an offense-heavy game, the teams with the best play callers rise to the top.

Clearly, NFL teams are aware of the success of McVay, who has been held up as the modern prototype for the role. But it's worth noting that all four conference finalists had a play caller considered one of the best in the game: McVay, Saints coach Sean Payton, Chiefs coach Andy Reid and Patriots offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels.

Rule changes have given offenses a decided advantage, and the four highest-scoring teams wound up playing Sunday for Super Bowl appearances. With that unlikely to change next season, any team with a serious shot at contending will need to put a high-scoring offense on the field. Three of the conference finalists had a 4,000-yard passer, and Brees came up 28 yards short after resting in the regular-season finale.

Lesson 4: Go for it on fourth down.

Interestingly, McVay went against his usual formula by opting for a chip-shot field goal to tie the NFC title game at 20-20 in the fourth quarter instead of going for the touchdown and the lead. It ended up working out, but had the Saints gone on to win in regulation, that would have been a heavily scrutinized decision.

Still, the Rams and Patriots (in addition to the Saints and Chiefs) deserve credit for embracing the analytics movement and being aggressive in going for it on fourth down. The four teams were a combined 38 of 60 on fourth-down attempts, converting 63.3 percent — well above the league average of 55.7 percent. The Rams essentially iced their win over the Cowboys in the divisional round with McVay's decision to go for it on fourth-and-goal. The Chiefs did make a critical fourth-and-1 stop of the Patriots, but generally speaking, fortune has favored the teams willing to go for it this season.

Lesson 5: A strong running game still matters.

The Rams and Patriots ranked in the top five in rushing offense. Their ground success was readily apparent in divisional-round wins, and while the Saints largely bottled up the Rams on the ground, the Patriots rushed for 176 yards and four touchdowns against the Chiefs, with the running game proving pivotal in building a 14-0 first-half lead.

For the Rams, the running game — usually led by Todd Gurley, who was limited in Sunday's win — is also a huge factor in setting up the play-action pass, including through the use of jet sweeps and other motion that McVay has become known for. The Patriots also ask a lot of their running backs in the passing game, with McDaniels finding creative ways to get them the ball out of the backfield.

Even though this was an NFL season defined by big passing plays, teams that can win on the ground set themselves up for success.

PRO BOWL

Trubisky proud to be one of NFL's stars in Orlando

Trubisky, from Page 1

But no matter how much Trubisky wishes he and the Bears were headed to Atlanta for the Super Bowl instead, he is set on savoring the consolation prize — a place among a cast of NFL all-stars who also won't be playing in the final game of the season.

Trubisky, an alternate who replaced Rams quarterback Jared Goff, is one of an NFC-high seven Bears players in Orlando this week.

Defensive end Akiem Hicks, safety Eddie Jackson, cornerback Kyle Fuller and return specialist Tarik Cohen were original selections. Trubisky said he "started going nuts" when he found out offensive linemen Charles Leno and Cody Whitehair would attend as alternates. An eighth Bear, Khalil Mack, opted out of his invitation because of an ankle sprain.

"It's tough being out (of the postseason)," Trubisky said. "I did not expect it to come to an end, and how much fun we were having you never want that to end. You wish you could still be playing, but you have to stay positive and pick the next-best thing, and that's coming to the Pro Bowl and going to the Super Bowl (as a guest) next week."

Trubisky was in relaxed offseason mode as he practiced with the NFC squad Wednesday morning. He switched off reps with Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson during a one-hour practice, throwing to NFC North rivals Davante Adams of the Packers and Adam Thielen of the Vikings as well as Cowboys wide receiver Amari Cooper and Cohen.

Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott also is on the NFC team but didn't practice Wednesday. The AFC quarterbacks are the Chiefs' Patrick Mahomes, the Colts' Andrew Luck and the Texans' Deshaun Watson.

Afterward, wearing sunglasses, Trubisky lingered on the practice field to sign autographs and answer questions ranging from the grooming of his beard to his return to Twitter after going "Zero Dark 10" on social media during the season.

The facial hair, which he didn't trim the entire season because of a pact with other Bears quarterbacks and coaches, came off a few days after the loss to the Eagles.

"I could not believe how girthy it actually got," Trubisky said. "I got a haircut and I shaved the beard all in one day. There was a bunch that came off. It feels good."

He resurrected his Twitter and Instagram accounts Monday, thanking family, friends, teammates and fans for their support after he was announced as a Pro Bowl replacement. After he competed Wednesday in the Pro Bowl Skills Showdown — an event that will air on ESPN at 8 p.m. Thursday — Trubisky posted an Instagram photo with Brian Urlacher and Hicks.

"People actually were excited," Trubisky said. "They were like, 'He's back! He's posting!' So I might post a little more moving forward, but it's good to be back on social media. I got a positive welcome. Usually social media has been negative for me."

Being back on social media, Trubisky was reminded this week of the draft grades some gave Bears general manager Ryan Pace for his 2017 class that now includes three Pro Bowlers: Trubisky, Cohen and Jackson. Their place among the NFL's best this week is something of which Trubisky is proud.

"People were bashing us," Trubisky said. "Who are these guys? Where are they from? Why did we bring them to Chicago?" And that's why. We know what type of guys we are, how hard we work and the type of talent we have. It's awesome to see.

"It says a lot about the type of people and players Ryan Pace has brought in. It talks about our caliber of talent. People will always underestimate you and give you grades, but we're here, so (there is) nothing they can say now."

Trubisky said he didn't have offseason plans beyond the next two weeks. He'll soak up information during practices and the game from Wilson and the NFC coaches from the Cowboys and then make some guest appearances at the Super Bowl.

POSTCARD FROM THE PRO BOWL

No shortage of fun in the sun

Greetings from sunny Orlando where Pro Bowl practices began Wednesday at the ESPN Wide World of Sports complex. With seven players participating in this week's events, the Bears are very well represented. On Sunday, they hope to lift the NFC to a victory. In the meantime, here's a snapshot from Wednesday.

Brian Urlacher sitting atop a dunk tank? Von Miller participating in a precision passing competition? Saquon Barkley looking like Neo from "The Matrix" in a highly competitive game of dodgeball? The Pro Bowl Skills Showdown went into the books with 10 players from each conference competing in five events. Make no mistake: This is a made-for-TV spectacle and excruciatingly long for spectators in attendance. Far too many lengthy breaks and not enough mascot and cheerleader entertainment to pass the downtime.

Still, there was plenty of fun to be had. And if you're wondering why we're slow-playing the results from Wednesday's events, it's because those are the rules. The Skills Showdown was not broadcast live and will instead air on ESPN at 8 p.m. Thursday. Therefore, the NFL and ESPN have the results of the event embargoed with media prohibited from sharing certain details.

Quarterback Mitch Trubisky and defensive lineman Akiem Hicks were the Bears participants in the competition. Hicks was asked after Wednesday's practice what his specialty would be and shrugged.

"Specialty?" he said. "Shoot, I don't know. Move something heavy, I guess. Dodgeball should be fun. All I know is I want to get a win."

For the record, Hicks took part in the 40-Yard Splash, Gridiron Gauntlet and Epic Pro Bowl Dodgeball. Trubisky was a part of Best Hands, Precision Passing, 40-Yard Splash and the best-of-three dodgeball series.

We might be skirting the rules a touch here. But the second-year quarterback did not post the best score in the Precision Passing competition. Nor was he the worst of the six competitors, who also included Miller, Adam Thielen, Andrew Luck, Russell Wilson and Deshaun Watson. And if Trubisky goes back to watch the film of his performance as Mike Evans' passer in the Best Hands event, he'll certainly find a few things to correct.

Still, it was a decent way for the 24-year-old to get his feet wet at his first Pro Bowl. And Trubisky was thrilled to be surrounded by six of his Bears teammates.

"It's fun," he said. "We're rolling kind of deep. So that's awesome to see."

— Dan Wiederer

At some point he'll look back on the positives and negatives of his first year running Nagy's offense. But Wednesday wasn't the time.

"I haven't had time to assess the season just because of the way it ended and how tough it was to see it come to an end like that, especially with all of the momentum we had going," Trubisky said. "We'll get back to work in due time, but I'm just relaxing and enjoying the time off we have right now."

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BEARS

**ROSTER RUNDOWN**
OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

Part 3 of an 11-part review of the 2018 Bears season. Coming Friday: Wide receivers.

Jordan Howard plunges into the end zone with some help from offensive linemen Bobby Massie (70), Charles Leno (72), Cody Whitehair (65) and Kyle Long (75).
BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Solid foundation up front

Line improved under Hiestand's guidance, bright future ahead

BY BRAD BIGGS
Chicago Tribune

Of all the moves Matt Nagy made after being hired as Bears coach, persuading Vic Fangio to stick around as defensive coordinator received the most attention, and deservedly so.

Building on the continuity of the previous three seasons with some key personnel additions, the Bears jumped to No. 1 in the league in scoring defense, paving the way for Fangio to be hired as Broncos head coach, fulfilling a career-long goal.

Not to be overlooked is the hire Nagy made for the offensive line, luring Harry Hiestand from Notre Dame for his second stint as Bears offensive line coach. Hiestand is a grinder, happy as can be to lead offensive linemen with no known aspirations of doing anything beyond that.

If Patriots offensive line coach Dante Scarnecchia is the best in the business, Hiestand is on a short list behind him, according to Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz, who was a line coach himself in the NFL.

"If you look (at) what Dante has done in New England and the fact that Notre Dame had two guys taken in the first nine picks, that stuff doesn't happen by accident," Ferentz said last spring. "Harry is a tremendous coach."

Players past and present have enormous affection for Hiestand. Former Bears lineman Roberto Garza, normally concise and to the point, was effusive in his praise of Hiestand last January.

"From the moment you walked into his meetings, you knew he was serious," Garza said. "He had a plan that you were going to buy into, and a lot of guys, we weren't ready for that. But once you go on the field with Harry and see what he has to offer, it's hard not to fight for this guy every single play. He is a guy you can trust. He is going to fight for his offensive linemen and you will go to bat for him every day because he is going to have your back and you are going to have his."

The return of Hiestand and improved health on the line put the Bears in a position where they needed only five starting lineups. That's two fewer than they had in 2017, thanks in large part to left tackle Charles Leno, right tackle Bobby Massie and center Cody Whitehair starting all 16 games. Left guard was practically locked down as rookie second-round pick James Daniels rotated there with Eric Kush for three games before taking over as the starter for the final 10 games.

ROLL CALL

Charles Leno
Signed through 2021
2019 cap hit: \$8.9 million
James Daniels
Signed through 2021
2019 cap hit: \$1,579,581
Cody Whitehair
Signed through 2019
2019 cap hit: \$1,344,180
Kyle Long
Signed through 2021
2019 cap hit: \$8.5 million
Bobby Massie
Unrestricted free agent
Bradley Sowell
Signed through 2019
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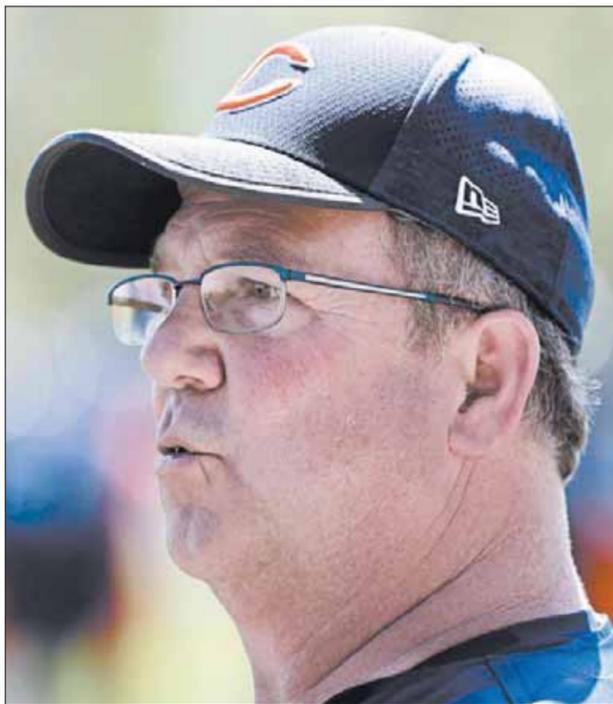
2018 season review

The Bears allowed 33 sacks, tied for eighth-fewest in the NFL. The four teams that played in the conference championship games ranked in the top eight, and seven of the top nine teams in terms of fewest sacks allowed were playoff teams.

Protecting the quarterback is the No. 1 order of business for any offense, and the Bears were much improved because of better line play combined with greater awareness by second-year quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

The Bears line led the NFL with only three enforced holding penalties, a product of improved play and something players credited to Hiestand. Leno continues to look like a bargain another year removed from the four-year, \$37 million extension with \$22 million guaranteed that he signed before the 2017 season. He allowed 32 quarterback pressures, according to Pro Football Focus, which tied for 29th-most among tackles, and he was added as an alternate to the NFC Pro Bowl roster Tuesday morning. That makes him the first left tackle since Jim Covert in 1987 to represent the Bears in the all-star game.

Leno has been a model of durability with 61 consecutive starts since taking over for Jermon Bushrod in the fourth game of the 2015 season. His streak of 3,957 consecutive snaps ended in the waning moments of the regular-season finale when Nagy pulled him with the playoffs looming. Leno went to the bench for the final eight offensive plays and wasn't happy. Leno's run was a very long way from Joe Thomas' incredible streak of 10,363 consecutive snaps with the Browns, but it's something Leno took a great deal of pride in and still does. He should. Consider that since



NAM Y. HUH/AP

Offensive line coach Harry Hiestand oversaw a unit that allowed just 33 sacks and had just three holding penalties enforced against it.

2000, the only other primary starter the Bears have had at left tackle for three consecutive seasons is John Tait from 2005 through 2007. After Leno's streak of 61 consecutive starts, the longest streak the Bears have had at left tackle since 2000 is 32 by J'Marcus Webb from 2011 to 2012. Leno has taken the job and run with it, and he should continue to improve under Hiestand.

The Bears wanted to make sure Daniels, who was 20 when the season started, was ready for a starting role before they plugged him in. They wanted him to earn the promotion on the practice field, not because of his status as the 39th pick. He did that and was able to push Kush, who was dealing with lingering effects from a stinger, to a reserve role. The job wasn't too big for Daniels, who has good size for the interior and easily made the transition to guard after spending most of his college career at center. He didn't allow a sack, according to STATS.

Whitehair improved after an up-and-down 2017 season, thanks in large part to having a set position, and that work did not go unnoticed as he was also added to the Pro Bowl as a replacement. The Bears moved him back and forth in 2017, starting him at all three interior spots as injuries created havoc for the previous coaching staff. He struggled over the summer and in the preseason with shotgun snaps. Instead of being stubborn, he embraced a new technique, using what is called a "dead snap" instead of the

more traditional spiral. It wasn't perfect, but he quickly smoothed out his snapping issues.

Although Long was slowed during the spring and brought along slowly during training camp after three offseason surgeries, he was in place for the start of the season and added brawn and power to the right side of the line. He suffered a tendon injury in his right foot in Week 8 against the Jets, forcing him to injured reserve, but he set a goal to be back before the season ended and achieved that, a testament to the hard work he puts in after injuries. Long probably was on the ground too much at times, but he was clearly better than fill-in Witzmann.

Massie just finished the final season of his three-year, \$18 million deal, which is quietly one of the best free-agent contracts general manager Ryan Pace has issued. After a bumpy first two months with the Bears, he has been solid at right tackle, and the 29-year-old enjoyed his best season as a pro. Massie was charged with only two sacks allowed by STATS and 25 pass pressures, per Pro Football Focus, tied for 47th-most among tackles.

Witzmann was signed in October, and his knowledge of the offense from his time in Kansas City made his insertion into the lineup an easy adjustment. He's a capable backup, which could make him a smart re-signing. Sowell wasn't needed much as the swing tackle, but the Bears are comfortable with him in the scheme.

**Free agency/
draft priority**

There is work to do here, and Pace knows the best teams are proactive when it comes to the offensive line. It's too easy to get stuck in a bad position if you're not regularly adding young players with upside.

The Bears had a major decision to make involving an \$8 million option for guard Josh Sitton a year ago, and they elected to decline it. They have to decide if they want to pursue Massie in free agency or seek another experienced option because the chance of finding a starter with a third-round draft pick, at least a plug-and-play Day 1 starter, seems remote. Massie's potential return will be a money-driven decision. Are they comfortable investing in him for a couple of more years?

Coward is a developmental player who shifted from the defensive line to the offensive line a year ago, and it might be a year too soon to think about him as a possibility at right tackle. The only real action he has had came in the preseason as he was inactive for all 16 regular-season games. The Bears will need to re-sign Witzmann or another depth-type player.

Bottom line

The Bears improved on the offensive line and there's reason to believe they'll be even better in 2019. One looming question is whether the team will consider flip-flopping Daniels and Whitehair.

Nagy believes continuity is necessary for the center-quarterback exchange, which is one reason the team wouldn't make that switch during the season. Would they consider a move at the start of the offseason, especially with Whitehair coming off a season in which he was added to the Pro Bowl? Whitehair is eligible for a new contract and he switched representation during the season, surely with the idea of working toward a new deal. Leno and Whitehair have emerged as leaders on the line since Sitton left, so extending Whitehair figures to be on the to-do list, maybe come training camp. Long's durability has been an issue, but he has shown his toughness in battling back.

Given the shortage of draft picks and less cap space to work with, it seems unlikely the Bears will create another need by letting him go. The best thing Long has going for him right now is that he enters the offseason not needing surgery, so he can focus on getting stronger. The right ankle injury suffered in 2016 remains the biggest issue for him, but figure on the Bears counting on him again in 2019.

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Best kind of control freak



New Hall of Famer Mussina a master of details

By THOMAS BOSWELL | Washington Post

When someone that we enjoyed for many years finally gets into the Hall of Fame, as Mike Mussina did Tuesday, it's feels warm to go back to the beginning and remember the whole journey with the freshness of those early days.

In spring training in 1993, after Mussina had gone 18-5 in his first full season in the majors with Baltimore, I asked Orioles pitching coach Dick Bosman what made Mussina so special.

"Moose has six pitches," said Bosman, who once won the American League ERA title for the old Washington Senators. "Three of them are fastballs that move different ways - two-seam, four-seam and cutter. Also a slow curve, a hard knuckle-curve and a change-up.

"I warm him up sitting on a stool. I put out the glove, and I don't have to move it very often," he said. "It's pretty scary."

While his fastball could touch or top 90 mph in his early years, he worked at a lowly 86.4 by his last season — yet remained an effective flyball pitcher, with the ability to challenge and defeat hitters in big situations and key counts with fastballs at or just above the top of the zone. Juggling nitro, seldom dropping it.

"He puts it right here, here, here, time after time," said Bosman, his hand six inches above the waist, where hitters seldom lay off, and at 90 mph, where they don't swing and miss much, either. They pop out or fly out — the glorious "quick out" that pitchers who throw much harder often never master.

Command — of all of his pitches, his icy demeanor, his between-starts self-discipline and his elite baseball intelligence — defined Mussina. That, and his combination of competitive confidence and courage to engage.

I asked how he planned to cope with failure. Mussina, then 24, said: "I have never faced it, not at any stop. ... I've just always been able to get hitters out."

So, though he wouldn't quite say it, his plan was not to fail. Ever. And if he did, briefly, then ignore it, correct it and just continue succeeding. Must be nice.

Mussina would talk about that great demon facing all pitchers — the disastrous injury, what he always just called "the knife" — and the complete inability to predict what came after those cuts. Then he would dismiss that uncontrollable factor and focus completely on what he intended to do. In 1993, with just one successful year behind him, I asked whether he had any sense yet of what his career might look like.

"It's only been a year, plus two months (in 1991). I don't know what my 'normal season' is yet," he said.

"I'd like to win 230," he added, at a moment when he had 22. "If I'm still with this club, I could chase Palmer (for the team record of 268). Do you think Jimmy'd come out of retirement again (to protect his record)? I'd be 37. What'd he be, 55?"

In 2008, his last season, Mussina won 20 games for the only time in his career. Yet, at that high point, he surprisingly retired with 270 wins — two more than Palmer, although 123 came with the New York Yankees.

Who retires when they are near the top of their game, within 30 wins of 300 and an automatic spot in the Hall of Fame? Who, in effect, says this? Coopers-

town? Sure, that'd be good. But I'm not going to risk being a .500 pitcher, even at \$10 million plus a year, just to make sure I get there.

This decision fascinates me because I know Mussina had a sense of MLB history. If he cared about a number, or the mandatory celebrations and months-long buildup that go with it, he knew he could've hung around with a 95 percent shot at 300.

Moose — or this one, at least — apparently don't do ruffled fur.

Because he stayed at 270 wins, it may be underappreciated that Mussina is one of only six pitchers since 1900 who won more than 100 more games than he lost. He finished 270-153.

Because he was an honest pitcher facing many cheating hitters in a career that almost perfectly overlapped with the PED era, Mussina's 3.68 ERA may be nitpicked too much, while his career Baseball-Reference WAR of 82.9 — 18th among pitchers since 1900 — is above the average WAR of starting pitchers in the Hall of Fame (73.4).

Because Mussina was so elegant, restrained and consistent and never won 20 games until so late, it's easy to think of his great career as a fluid continuum without a flaw, but also without a glove-heaving, World Series-winning moment. After 10 years with the O's (147-81), he went to the Yankees as a free agent. In eight years there, he went to two Series but never won one.

Because he seldom volunteered much of his sardonic, brainy personality and played the "nothing to see here" good guy while listening to Metallica on his headphones, Mussina is in danger of being canonized as excellent yet remembered ... well, for not much at all, at least by the standards of Hall of Famers.

That would not bother him. After graduating from Stanford with a degree in economics, Mussina carried himself in a way that is seldom seen on a pro sports team — with no apparent fear of what the game could do to him or take from him. Beyond a sense of loss over the joy of playing, Mussina seemed like he'd simply win at something else. Maybe it was part of his mask or image. Probably not.

His manager Johnny Oates once said that, for years, he made sure never to talk to Mussina about any subject except baseball for fear of "saying something stupid."

After word hit the clubhouse that one of Mussina's best friends, B.J. Surhoff, had been traded to the Atlanta Braves midseason, Moose called me to his locker — furious.

The Surhoffs had a child they believed could get better medical care at Johns Hopkins than anywhere else, and B.J. absolutely wanted to stay in Baltimore. But Mussina, and other Orioles, believed he was traded in part out of spite after petty tiffs with a member of ownership.

"That's it," spit out Mussina, who was in his free agent walk year. "I'm out of here."

The next year, he was a Yankee. Cause and effect?

Now, Mike Mussina is with the one team on which he absolutely belongs, even if he never traded an iota of his pride to join it. That's the team in Cooperstown, the one that never plays a game but, for generations, stays on every fan's schedule for visits and fond memories.

Mike Mussina is one of six pitchers since 1900 to win more than 100 more games than he lost.

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— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

Avoid the water? Never been the goal for Woods

BY DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Tiger Woods is feeling stronger than ever with his fused back, and the evidence goes beyond the speed of his swing or how hard he can go after a shot out of deep rough.

Woods says he is diving again. He says he was doing free dives and spearfishing during his time off, and even went diving with a tank, which he had not done in years.

"I just can't afford to have that weight on my back and compressing my disk, and my disk was already screwed up," said Woods, who had fusion surgery in April 2017. "So whenever you put any weight on it, it made it worse. I (hadn't) tank dove in years, and to be able to do that again, to be able to get in the water and free drive, put the fins on and load the body up and drop down like that that was something I truly missed. I love being in the water."

Woods has been certified as a master diver, according to the National Association of Underwater Instructors.

Long before surgeries on his knee and his lower back, he once regaled Darren Clarke and Thomas Bjorn about his diving adventures. Years ago, he was explaining to Clarke that it was best to witness ocean life without a regulator because bubbles can scare off the fish. The flip side, Woods told them, was that more sharks are apt to come around. This got Bjorn's attention.

"Just be careful down there," Bjorn told him. "Our future earnings depend on you."

Green repairs: Three weeks into the year on the PGA Tour, one new rule might be put to the test on the greens at Torrey Pines.

And it has nothing to do with leaving the flagstick in the cup.

Rules 13.1c allows players to repair damage on the putting green to restore it as nearly as possible to its original condition. That includes fixing ball marks, scrapes and indentations caused by equipment or the flagstick and shoe damage.

It wasn't an issue on the Bermuda greens of Hawaii or the overseed in the California desert. But Torrey Pines, Pebble Beach and Riviera have poa annua greens, which can get bumpy in the soft conditions of California in the winter.

One of the questions that arose was just how much damage players can repair, without creating a line to the hole.

"At Kapalua, I fixed ball marks, but I was only tapping them down because it was Bermuda," Xander Schauffele said. "Out here, you might do a little more than a simple tap down. This place, late in the day, it feels like you're playing a game of Plinko."

Schauffele was quick to note one part of the new rule: Damage can be repaired without unusual delay.

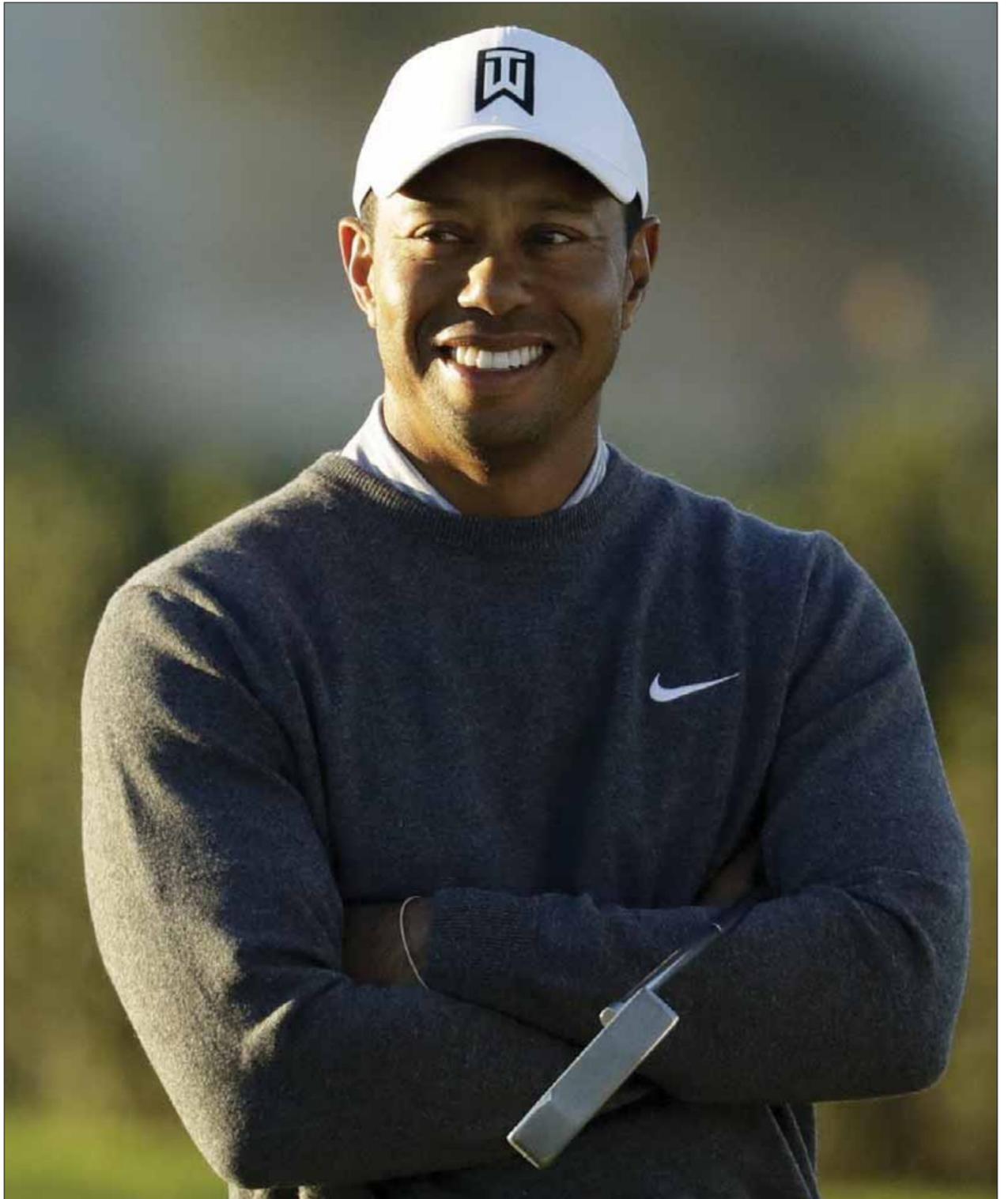
"It could, depending on how these players take the rule to heart if you're trying to fix a 40-foot putt, it's going to be tricky with pace of play," Schauffele said. "Rules officials will be on us. The time clock hasn't changed. If you want to spend 35 seconds tapping down the line, you're going to have to pull the trigger in less than what you normally do."

Jason Day, a two-time winner at Torrey Pines, doesn't think it will be an issue. His only experience this year was at Kapalua, which featured only a 33-man field.

"Before the rule was changed, you would have maybe two or three times a year where you're like, 'Oh, there's a spike mark there in front of your ball,' so you just kind of worry about the spike mark," Day said. "I don't necessarily think you're going to be tapping it the whole way and trying to make a line. I think there's going to be a few taps. Other than that, I think they're going to putt. I don't necessarily think it's going to be a time-consuming thing."

No Phil: Torrey Pines has Tiger Woods in the field, along with an inaugural appearance by Rory McIlroy and the return of Jordan Spieth for the first time since 2015.

Missing will be Phil Mickelson, who said last week he would skip his hometown tournament for the first time in 28 years. Mickelson is



CHRIS CARLSON/AP

Tiger Woods is feeling good physically after back fusion surgery, enough to go diving with a tank again, which he hadn't done in years.



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Phil Mickelson will be absent from Torrey Pines, missing his hometown event for the first time in 28 years.

a two-time winner, but not since the South Course was overhauled by Rees Jones ahead of the 2008 U.S. Open.

"That's one of the hardest courses we play," Mickelson said last week. "It's 7,600 yards, the fairways are tight, there's a lot of rough and unless I'm playing my absolute best, that's not really a great place for me."

In the last 10 years, Mickelson has only one top-10 finish, when he was runner-up in 2011. He missed the cut three times and withdrew another year. He said in a tweet that he will "try to make it up to the great community of SD!"

He gave early indications in October when he said there would be some tournaments he misses "that people will be upset about,

but I'm not going to worry about it."

He also said he would not be playing the Genesis Open at Riviera, where he won in 2008 and 2009 and finished four shots behind last year.

Women at Augusta: Athaya Thitikul of Thailand was the low amateur at the ANA Inspiration

last year, the first major on the LPGA Tour schedule, with a 5-under 283 that tied for 30th along with Michelle Wie and Cristie Kerr.

This year, she'll be at the Augusta National Women's Amateur.

Atthaya, NCAA champion Jennifer Kupcho of Wake Forest and former Junior PGA champion Lucy Li were among 66 players who have accepted spots in the inaugural Augusta National Women's Amateur this year. Six spots remain for the 72-player field.

The opening two rounds of the 54-hole event will be April 3-4 at Champions Treat Golf Club, with a cut to 30 players after 36 holes. One day of practice at Augusta National has been set aside for April 5, followed by the final round at the home of the Masters.

"Receiving an invitation to the Augusta National Women's Amateur is representative of a remarkable amateur career, and so much more," Masters and club chairman Fred Ridley said.

The tournament is the same week as the LPGA major, which typically invites leading amateurs.

The 66 players who have confirmed invitations to Augusta include eight of the 16 players from last year's Junior Ryder Cup team, along with Ladies British Open Amateur champion Leonie Harm of Germany.

Atthaya was exempt as the Women's Amateur Asia-Pacific champion.

Stat of the week: Phil Mickelson has held the 54-hole lead four times in the last six years. His only victory from ahead was the Phoenix Open in 2013.

Final word: "Ten years longer than you've been alive." — Tiger Woods to Jordan Spieth, who asked him how long he has been coming to Torrey Pines.

Musical moment in a 'rich, troubled' life



C.F. THAM/AP 1993

The Michael Jackson musical "Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough" will have a pre-Broadway premiere in Chicago in fall 2019.

Michael Jackson show — not a tribute — to hit Chicago stage first

By **CHRIS JONES**
 Chicago Tribune

A major new musical about Michael Jackson — set on the cusp of the iconic but controversial singer's "Dangerous World Tour" and dealing more fully with his complex legacy than previous endeavors — is headed first to Chicago in the fall and then to Broadway in 2020. Its title, drawn from a 1979 hit single, is to be "Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough."

The show, scored with Jackson's music and likely to attract global attention, is produced by the Michael Jackson estate in collaboration with Columbia Live Stage. The book is by the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage and the direction and original choreography is by Christopher Wheeldon, the former choreographer for the New York City Ballet who received critical acclaim on Broadway for his work

on "An American in Paris."

"This is not a Cirque du Soleil show, nor a tribute show, nor a hagiography," said Nottage in an interview Tuesday, referencing two prior Cirque treatments of the Jackson oeuvre. "We are endeavoring to tell the story of one moment in the life of a very complicated man whose life was very fraught."

That moment surrounds the making of the "Dangerous World Tour," a 17-month live endeavor that traveled by 747, raised money for Jackson's Heal the World charity and played to some from 3.5 million people in 70 stadium gigs from Bucharest to Bangkok in 1992 and 1993. It featured video technology far ahead of its time and included some \$2 million worth of costumes for its star.

The tour, which included an HBO taping and a Super Bowl XXVII halftime appearance, along with atypically fantastical elements for its era, ended earlier than expected after Jackson, devastated by a lawsuit alleging inappropriate behavior with a 13-year-old boy, declared exhaustion. The

case was settled out of court.

"We are homing in on the making of the music," Nottage said, noting that the Jackson estate had allowed her creative freedom and understood that "Michael will always come with some controversy."

"We are all very clear that we don't want this to be a concert or an impersonation show," Wheeldon said, in an earlier interview with the Tribune. "We want it to be a portrait of the artist, a man of contradictions that contained so much beauty. A life like Michael's was so rich, dense and troubled. But there were these moments of great lightness. We are interested in celebrating Michael, and in breaking down his songs and really listening to them."

Nottage said that genesis of the tour was selected because it was "the pinnacle of Michael's career," following on from such albums and tours as "Thriller," "Off the Wall" and "Bad," and containing material from that earlier work.

"We want to look at the pieces

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Kathleen Bickford Berzock, associate director of curatorial affairs, stands in the "Caravans of Gold, Fragments in Time" exhibit.

Gold standard

The richest man ever was not named Gates or Bezos; he was king of Mali in the Middle Ages

By **STEVE JOHNSON**
 Chicago Tribune

This is what the king Mansa Musa brought with him on his trans-Saharan pilgrimage from Mali to Mecca: "8,000 courtiers, 12,000 slaves and 100 camels each carrying up to 300 pounds of pure gold," according to the introduction to a superb new exhibition at Northwestern's Block Museum of Art.

Musa gave away so much of the precious metal in the Muslim holy city that year, 1324, that gold lost value in the region, a scholar wrote. He is thought to be the richest person the world has known. Yet the name of the 14th-century ruler of the Empire of Mali, a place where gold was readily panned from rivers, is barely taught in standard African histories.

Supplying a fuller sense of the continent was a primary motivation for "Caravans of Gold, Fragments in Time," the seven-year vision of a dedicated curator and one of the most ambitious and, at more than \$1 million, costly exhibitions the Block has mounted.

It packs the museum's 4,000 square feet with a spectacular array of ancient artifacts — and, as the title suggests, pieces of ancient artifacts — borrowed from



An astrolabe from Seville, Spain at Northwestern's Block Museum of Art.

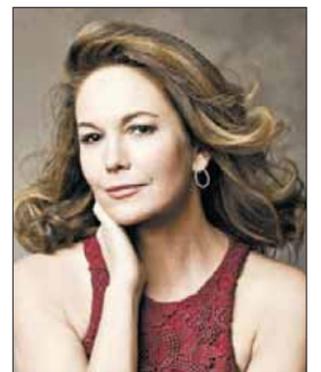
African museums, the British Museum and the Smithsonian Institution, among some two dozen lenders. After its stay in Evanston beginning Saturday, it will move on to two of those lending institutions, Toronto's Aga Khan Museum and Washington's Smithsonian National Museum of African Art.

"Many of these objects have not been seen outside of Africa," said Lisa Graziose

Corrin, director of the Block.

Visitors to the museum will learn that Africa is about more than just standard narratives of colonialism and the slave trade and that medieval times were more than just European men in metal trying to knock each other off of horses. Subtitled "Art, Culture and Exchange Across Medi-

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MARK SELIGER

Diane Lane's newest movie, "Serenity," is out now.

MY WORST MOMENT

Starstruck at 21, and again at 23

Lane and her on-duty embarrassment at an '80s star-studded event

By **NINA METZ**
 Chicago Tribune

In the heat-soaked psychological thriller "Serenity," Matthew McConaughey is a big-game fishing boat captain whose ex-wife, played by Anne Hathaway, asks him to murder her current husband. The film also stars Diane Lane, and her character is entwined with McConaughey's boat captain as well.

"My part is that I am witness to his struggles," said Lane. "We have an 'arrangement' where I help him and he services me."

Shot on the island nation of Mauritius off the southeast coast of Africa, the location is known for its big-game fishing, "which is definitely part of the story, both in fact and in metaphor," she said.

Separately, Lane has dipped her toe into the world of audio storytelling with Curtis Sittenfeld's short story "Atomic Marriage," about a Hollywood producer who wants to turn a self-help guide to happy marriages into a movie. The story was released by Audible earlier this month.

"The story deals with people's expectations of what marriage should be and that's an interesting exploration — said the woman who's twice divorced," Lane said with a self-deprecating laugh. "I think two was the charm for me."

This is Lane's first audio book. "I've read books to my kids when they were little, going to sleep, and I miss that time because there is an art to storytelling if you do it well. And this story was so modern and fresh in the way it was written, I just heard it in my head immediately and it took away any hesitation that I may have had about my own voice."

Lane has been acting professionally since she was a child and it is a career defined by iconic performances in films including "The Outsiders," "Unfaithful" (for which she was nominated for an Oscar)

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Ariana Grande at Billboard's Women In Music event in New York City in December.

Grande announces release date for upcoming album

Ariana Grande has provided material for a thousand memes with the release of the tracklist for her fifth studio album, "Thank U, Next."

According to an Instagram post, the tracklist for the upcoming album, to be released Feb. 8, is as follows: Imagine, Needy, NASA, Bloodline, Fake Smile, Bad Idea, Make Up, Ghostin, In My Head, 7 Rings, Thank U, Next and Break Up With Your Girlfriend, I'm Bored.

Title track "Thank U, Next" was released as the lead single Nov. 3 and Grande dropped an accompanying music video that referenced classic films like "Mean Girls," "13 Going on 30" and "Legally Blonde" on Nov. 30. "Thank U, Next" became Grande's first song to debut at No. 1. The album's second single, "7 rings," hit platforms Jan. 18 along with a music video.

The release of her latest album comes relatively quickly, with her fourth, "Sweetener," having landed in August 2018.

The announcement predictably sent the internet into a tizzy, particularly the somewhat provocative final track.

Grande is up for two Grammy awards at the 2019 ceremony, for best pop solo performance for "God Is a Woman" and best pop vocal album for "Sweetener." She's been nominated four times previously. She's scheduled to headline Coachella in April, and sources have indicated to Variety that she's also been booked for Lollapalooza.

— Variety



EVAN AGOSTINI/INVISION

Baldwin pleads guilty: Alec Baldwin has pleaded guilty to harassing a man during a dispute over a parking spot last fall. The 60-year-old actor appeared in a New York City courtroom Wednesday. He agreed to complete a one-day anger management class to resolve the criminal case. The charge is a violation, the lowest level of offense. Baldwin was accused of trying to punch another driver during a Nov. 2 argument over a parking spot.

Cardi B gets Vegas residency: Cardi B will have her first Las Vegas residency this spring. Palms Casino Resort announced Wednesday the 26-year-old singer's appearance as part of its debut of KAOS, a dayclub and nightclub amphitheater-style complex that is set to open in April. Tickets for select dates are available.

Singer faces new accusations: "Bohemian Rhapsody" director Bryan Singer faces a new wave of allegations that he sexually abused underage boys. The news accusers, who share their claims in a report published Wednesday by The Atlantic, include Victor Valdivinos, who claims Singer molested him two decades ago when he was 13. Three other men also came forward with claims of sexual misconduct. An attorney for Singer denied the allegations to The Atlantic, saying the director never engaged in sex with minors or had a preference for underage boys.

Jan. 24 birthdays: Singer Aaron Neville is 78. Singer Neil Diamond is 78. Actor Ed Helms is 45. Actor Daveed Diggs is 37. Actress Mischa Barton is 33.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Parents disagree on first-name issue

Dear Amy: My wife and I had a spirited discussion concerning whether adult children should call their parents by their first names, or by their titles (such as "Mom" or "Dad").

I was raised to address my elders by their respective titles and so was my wife, but she now feels the requirement is outdated and no longer applicable. What's your take?

— Puzzled

Dear Puzzled: Certain things never go out of style — for instance, the Parthenon, Myrna Loy, or the titles "Mom" and "Dad" (or any affectionate variants).

Are you having this discussion because your adult children have decided to address you by your first names? Are you aware of other adults doing this with their parents?

Your question prompted me to do something I almost never do: I "crowd-sourced" it on social media. I posed this question on Twitter (@AskingAmy): "Has it become common for young adults to call their parents by their first name? If you are a parent and your adult child started calling you by your first name, how would you interpret this?"

This question prompted over 200 replies. When it comes to how children should/do address their parents, no respondent (including me) agrees with your wife's take on this.

Addressing parents by their titles is respectful, appropriate and emotionally intimate. A few people said they have been through phases of calling their parents by their first names, and all said it was because they were rebel-

ling — or had lost respect for their parents.

One respondent noted: "I did with my parents once I started attending boarding school in the early '90s. Only later did I realize I did this out of contempt for my parents, and no longer do it. I would not be happy now if my sons called me by my first name."

Teens sometimes enter a phase of calling their folks by their first names and often do so with their peers when referring to their parents.

The only time parents seem to feel OK about being addressed by their first names is when they are in a crowd, and where "Mom" or "Dad" might get lost in the shuffle. (In those circumstances, my daughter will call out, "Amy Dickinson!" and it always makes me laugh.)

Mainly, parents interpret their kids calling them by their first names as disrespectful or a denial of the parental relationship.

Another person reported a twist: "My mother invited me and my sister to call her (by her first name) when we turned 18 (in the '80s). I mostly called her that until her death. She hoped it would signify that we were friends and equals. For me it was an acknowledgment that she didn't want to nurture."

Dear Amy: I have struggled with lifelong dietary issues and food allergies, and at 25 have finally come to a place where I feel safe eating what I can, though my menu is very restricted. I prepare all my own food and bring my meals to work, social events or anywhere food will be

served.

People peer strangely at my food, ask what "diet" I'm on, what I'm eating and why. I'm sure they are expressing innocent curiosity, but I am so sick of explaining myself when I just want to eat in peace. If I explain, the reaction is always intense sympathy — and further questions!

Or I'll skirt the questions and change the topic, which feels rude and makes it awkward. It's gotten to the point I will not take my lunch break at work, or I'll avoid joining people at restaurants to avoid the interrogations.

In the food- and diet-obsessed culture we live in, I just want people to leave me alone! Do you have any suggestions for me?

— Food Restricted

Dear Restricted: You want a response that covers all the bases, however, understand that any response will not stop determined interrogators. Try this: "Oh, I have a bunch of food allergies and sensitivities. It's pretty boring, so I hope it's OK with you if we don't talk about it."

Dear Amy: Please shorten your questions and answers. They are too long!

You should be able to get three or four stories a day into your column. Your answers are too long. Please run more sex problems plus sex stories.

— Fred, in Ohio

Dear Fred: Thanks, Fred. I'll think about it.

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and "Secretariat." When asked to share a worst moment, she said: "I can't point the finger or share the awkwardness with anyone. It was self-inflicted."

My worst moment ... "I was young, so that's some emollient. I was in my early 20s and I think it was when 'Aliens' came out (in 1986) and Sigourney Weaver was making the rounds. And I was such a fan and I was so ravenous for a female hero in the cinema. We had such a dearth of it until recently and I can't imagine a woman that wouldn't fall at her feet. I felt like she was David Bowie. Pick your rock star. She was it.

"So I would go to these mandatory type of party-event things — I don't know, you show up, right? You're expected to make the rounds because you too have a film coming out, or whatever the deal is. You get invited and it's a party but it's also kind of work. I was very insecure at these things because you're terrified that somebody's going to come up to you and you're not going to remember them. It's not really fair because your face is on the poster of the movie and they all know your name, and yet you're the jerk that doesn't remember theirs. And at 21 years old, you feel everything so much, it's like walking skinless in the pine forest. Definitely you need alcohol.

"Well, I had me some alcohol. It wasn't a lot, but it limbered me up and it gave me courage. So I approached Sigourney Weaver and I said: 'Oh my God, I've always wanted to meet you! I'm so happy!' And she was very gracious and we had our moment. And it was like a white-out after that — you've achieved your moment, you've met your star, you're so excited and you have this high of adrenaline.

"You come away from it sweaty and you're not really sure what you said because you're 21 and you've had a



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Diane Lane and a feline co-star in a scene from "Serenity."

drink.

"Anyway, flash forward a couple years and I'm in the same situation. And Sigourney Weaver's there again.

"And at that moment I wasn't sure if I had dreamed introducing myself that first time or if I had really successfully met Sigourney Weaver. And I thought: It's either one or the other, and I am not going to take a chance on never having met Sigourney Weaver. I wasn't trusting my own memory. I'm like 23 now, right?"

"So I go over to her and say, 'Sigourney Weaver, I've always wanted to meet you!'"

"And she said, 'You said that to me last time!'"

"And I think some part of me is still on the floor where I stood. Like, I lost some particles of my being, they burned off in the heat of the embarrassment. And I think I just walked away and thought, 'Wow,' and to this day, I turn purple and I get sweaty just thinking about it. The body never forgets the cringe, but now it's out and I guess I feel better!"

"I felt awful in the moment — but you know, it was kind of worth it because I wanted to make absolutely sure that I met her (laughs). If I saw her now, I would probably run and hide in the bathroom. I mean, I still love her! But I would be embarrassed."

Any surprise that Weaver remembered her from the previous party? "Well, yeah! And it was such an indictment on me that I didn't!"

"But you see, we get starstruck too. Just because

you get in front of a camera and do things doesn't mean you're not in awe of other people who do the same. I'm not less impacted by cinema just because I'm working in it.

"So having experienced that, I have compassion for people. My dad drove a taxi in my childhood. He was a lot of things, but among them he was a cab driver for a season, and he had an on-duty sign and an off-duty sign on the roof of his cab — and I want one of them for me! Because absorbing people's projections on you, and watching their face because they're looking for something, it's a lot — what are they looking for? And I've been that person. So it's human, it's just how our brains work."

The takeaway ... "Alcohol is not the best choice for gaining courage in a work environment (laughs), and for a young person that's an age-appropriate lesson, I think. Having it be several decades behind me, I'm grateful for the lesson. And I don't think that there's any harm in being a fan, but at the same time (laughs) you have to keep track of what you said to people!"

"I mean, people will come up and say, 'Nice to see you' rather than 'Nice to meet you' and that's always safer (laughs). Keep it current! Keep it present!"

"So it taught me to be very present when meeting people. My brain is still my brain, but at least I can be in better control of what I choose to say."

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Caravans

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eval Saharan Africa," the show details trade routes stretching across religions, to countries as far as China and England, and metal working techniques that were stunning on the levels of both craftsmanship and aesthetics.

Two demonstrations of the metal skill come in the eye-opening final gallery stocked with cast bronze figures from Nigeria: a knee-high baby elephant, from roughly the 14th century, and a nearby seated figure cast with copper likely from France, for which the Africans likely traded ivory, the material used in, for instance, the intricate French "Passion of Christ" carving on display, also from the 14th century.

"It's the first exhibition to use material from the time to conjure the time — to imagine it, to make it visible," said curator Kathleen Bickford Berzock, who has been developing the exhibition in earnest since 2012, when she was curator of African art at the Art Institute. She is now associate director of curatorial affairs at the Block.

A challenge is that not many whole objects survive from that time, but "Caravans of Gold," overcoming a federal government shut-down here and concerns about loaning out national treasures in African countries, has brought together some of the most important ones. Gold coins and rings are on display, but so are incredibly fragile textile pieces and excavated shards of pottery displayed alongside the types of bowls or jugs they once were.

"We're doing this act of reclamation by taking the fragments and connecting them with real art objects and saying, 'That was here,'" said Berzock.

The world was more entwined at that time than you might expect, she said, and she wanted to detail "Africa's role as a kind of fulcrum in that interconnectedness. It's because of the gold resources and the importance of gold in economies of that period of time. That is the impetus for this trade to really expand. But along with that comes a lot of other things: People move and ideas move and other types of materials move. And what the exhibition does is it traces all of those things, and you begin to see how these networks really extend across a very



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A horse and kneeling figure from Natamatao, Mali are on display in the "Caravans of Gold, Fragments in Time" exhibit at Block Museum of Art.

When: Jan. 26-July 21

Where: Block Museum of Art, 40 Arts Circle Dr., Evanston

Tickets: free; blockmuseum.northwestern.edu or 847-491-4000

vast area."

Berzock stresses the deep cooperation and enthusiasm she received from peers in Africa and elsewhere, some of whom will be in Evanston for an opening event this weekend. (After the exhibition ends in North America, more portable versions of it will be given to each of the principal partner countries of Mali, Morocco and Nigeria.)

"A colleague who's closely involved in the project who is a Moroccan archaeologist called it 'an homage to archaeology,'" she said. "And I debated whether or not I wanted to share that with the press because sometimes people think of archaeology as being very dry and very boring. But in fact there is a lot of poetry in archaeology, and we use this concept which is called 'the archaeological imagination.'"

"Archeology is a work of imagination because, you know, you're taking very small things that you find and you're using that as a point of access to opening up a much bigger picture. We're taking that methodology and we're bringing it into the museum and trying



African objects on display

to make it visible to people, but in a really beautiful way. And I think it's awe inspiring to glimpse into the past in this way."

The exhibition is a coup for the Block, a modestly-sized museum amid the university's arts campus along Lake Michigan that has put on a spate of creative shows in recent years. It was funded principally by grants of over \$300,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Buffett Institute for Global Studies at Northwestern.

Corrin, who hired Berzock at the Block, credits her colleague's vision in bringing "Caravans of Gold" to completion.

"You can see here how the weight of a single intellect and a lifetime of relationships can make a remarkable thing happen even in a modestly scaled museum," the museum director said. "Those partnerships are what make

this exhibition a great exhibition, not just the objects we were able to get on loan, and Kathleen's responsible for those relationships."

She's thrilled to be telling a new story, Corrin said. "Our schoolchildren, when they think about African art, it's masks and colonialism, and the narrative is told from the perspective of the colonizers," she said. "It is urgent that the story be told from a different perspective. This is an opportunity to really redress the balance through culture. The presence of the objects themselves tells the story. There's the data. There's the proof, you know, that there's another version of that history. You can talk about it over coffee, but there's nothing like seeing it through the objects."

And in that context, the story of Mansa Musa — pictured only in an image made decades after his death, in an illustrated map reproduced on a gallery



A bowl and cosmetic bottle from Syria or Egypt

wall — may seem flashy, but it is also emblematic of the things we don't know.

"Why didn't we understand," Corrin asked, "how important Africa was to that period where, you know, the greatest and purest gold reserves in the world sat in Mali and in the hands of the emperor of Mali?"

On a walkthrough Tuesday, as the finishing touches were being put on the exhibition, Berzock explained its progression, from a demonstration of the importance of trading ingold — and surprisingly, salt — to displays of the range of objects those commodities were able to bring in.

One wall contains luxury items of the period of the kind that might have been part of Musa's journey. And one of the closing items is an ewer, a kind of giant pitcher, made in England in the 14th century and decorated with scenes from

Richard II's reign. It was found in Ghana and taken back to the British Museum after the Brits conquered the Asante Kingdom in 1896.

She doesn't know exactly how the big bronze-work made it from medieval England to western Africa, she said, but she does know what it shows: that before the 19th century conquest reshaped the story of Africa in Western teaching, there was a thriving, balanced intercontinental trade.

Standing by the introductory wall, where big-screen video of the Sahara sets the mood, Berzock said that at this moment in a seven-year project, "it's almost surreal to be at this point where we're ready, but I'm really so excited to have it come into the public eye. That's been the whole point of all this effort."

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Gillian Flynn's 'Utopia' adaptation to film in Chicago

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"Widows" co-writer Gillian Flynn's adaptation of the British television drama "Utopia" is set to begin filming in Chicago next month.

The remake is said to follow a group of young adults who meet online and find themselves hunted by a shadowy deep-state organization after they come into possession of a near-mythical, cult-underground graphic novel. They discover the novel's conspiracy theories may actually be real, and they are forced to try to save the world.

Amazon has ordered nine episodes of Flynn's adaptation. Toby Haynes ("Doctor Who") is slated to direct. He recently told Collider he plans to arrive in Chicago on Feb. 4. The series will be based at Cinespace Chicago Film Studios on the West Side. The cast has not been announced.

Flynn, 47, is a Northwestern University graduate who has lived in Chicago for more than a decade. She wrote the novels "Gone Girl," "Dark Places" and "Sharp Objects," which was recently adapted for HBO. It earned a Golden Globe nomination for best miniseries.

Her big-screen adaptation of the British TV series "Widows" with Steve McQueen filmed in Chicago in 2017. The heist



CHRIS DELMAS/GETTY-AFF

Writer Gillian Flynn's adaptation of "Utopia" begins filming in Chicago next month. The series will air on Amazon.

thriller, which stars Liam Neeson and Viola Davis, hit theaters here in November.

"Utopia" aired on Britain's Channel 4 from 2013-14. Flynn's remake was initially slated for HBO, but it was reported that the network and director David Fincher could not agree on the budget.

Other TV shows filming in Chicago this year include NBC's "Chicago

Fire," "Chicago Med" and "Chicago P.D.," Fox's "Empire" and "Proven Innocent"; and HGTV's "Windy City Rehab." The new Netflix hip-hop competition "Rhythm & Flow," which features Chance the Rapper, Cardi B, and T.I. as judges, taped here earlier this month.

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of his life that went into selecting his song list," Nottage said. "What were the ingredients of his genius? I really want to unpack who he was and get inside of the machine. People just don't know how much Michael was in control of his own art. This image of a gentle, soft-spoken man trumped the reality of a brilliant

businessman, producer, songwriter and designer."

"The mark Michael left on the world," Wheeldon said, "was one of greatness."

Casting has not yet been set, nor the number of performers playing Jackson finalized, but there will be more than one adult performer. A young performer will play Jackson as a child, when he first became a global superstar.

"Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough" will play Chi-

ago's newly renamed James M. Nederlander Theatre (formerly the Oriental Theatre) at 24 W. Randolph St., beginning Oct. 29 and running through Dec. 1; tickets are not yet on sale. Neither the Broadway theater nor the dates have yet been set, but the show is expected in New York in the spring of 2020.

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BOOK REVIEW

Fender vs. Les Paul

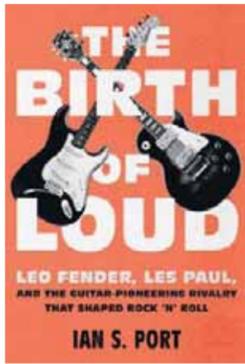
Book riffs on guitar rivalry that helped define rock 'n' roll

BY MICHAEL LINDGREN
Special to The Washington Post

Consider the Fender Stratocaster. Asked to picture an electric guitar, most people will immediately bring to mind inventor Leo Fender's most famous creation. Upon its introduction in 1954, the Stratocaster not only redefined the sound of American music but immediately became, with its sweeping curves and jewel-like colors, a stunning piece of midcentury design on par with a Bel Geddes radio or an Eames chair.

Yet the Strat's iconic shape was not a bold foray into space-age aesthetics as much as it was an on-the-fly modification. Many musicians found the Stratocaster's predecessor, the Telecaster, cumbersome, so Fender simply streamlined the instrument with beveled contours that echoed a player's body — and a classic was created. “A radical design had been born through Leo's obsession with practicality,” author Ian S. Port writes; for Fender, form followed function as naturally as morning followed night.

This and many other fascinating accounts are the bounty of “The Birth of Loud: Leo Fender, Les Paul, and the Guitar-Pioneering Rivalry That Shaped Rock 'n' Roll.” Port's book is a lively and vivid account of the careers of Fender and his main competition, Les Paul, the star guitarist whose name adorns the Gibson six-string that rivals Fender's instruments in popularity and influence.



'The Birth of Loud'

By Ian S. Port, Scribner, 352 pages, \$28

“The Birth of Loud” traces the dual arc of the men's rise with consummate skill and authority. Although they were close for a few years in the late 1940s (Port writes that, tantalizingly, Paul turned down a position with Fender in 1951), and would be forever linked in their fame, they were in many respects opposites. Fender was a taciturn man who could be found tinkering in his laboratory until late at night, whereas Paul was a showman, a musical and technical whiz who, with his wife, Mary Ford, was one of the biggest stars of the postwar, pre-rock 'n' roll pop era.

What they shared was that ineffably American knack for experimenting and stirring the pot, for trying out harebrained ideas and pushing home-made contraptions to their limits. They were “un-



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This undated photo shows the prototype electric guitar built by inventor Leo Fender in 1948.

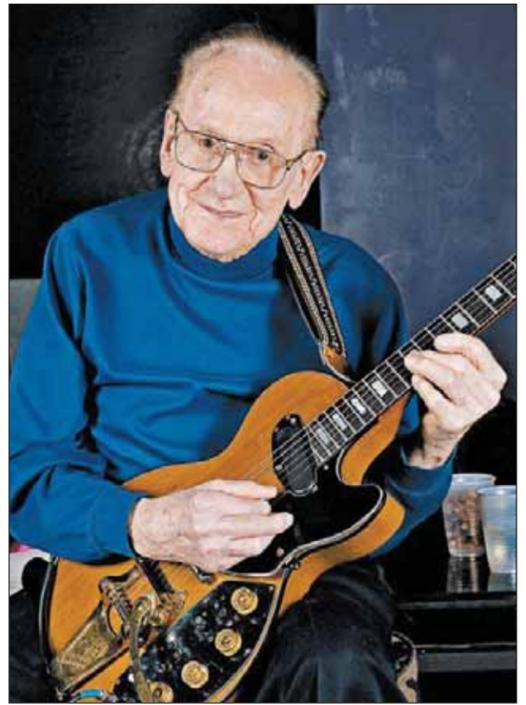
trained men who could build or fix almost anything because, back then, anything were simple,” Port observes.

They also shared a keen itch for the main chance. Fender, Port relates, frequented the gritty honky-tonk joints in the crude postwar boomtowns springing up around Fullerton, Calif., talking shop with rawboned country musicians; what they needed, he quickly sussed out, was an electrified guitar that could be cranked up for maximum volume, and that was cheap, sturdy and easy to repair.

Out in New York City, Paul was experimenting along similar lines; in 1940, he had created a Franken-

stein's monster-like object called “the Log,” an ur-electric guitar fashioned out of a plank of pine and a crude pickup that “looked like a lumberyard mutant, a stick bound with steel cables.” Paul was already a seasoned professional musician with a distinctive style, but the reaction he got one night from a stunned crowd in a bar in Sunnyside, Queens, of all places, told him everything he needed to know about the future of the instrument. The guitar arms race was on.

The next two decades were probably the most transformative in the history of American music, and Port does an outstanding job of tracking the ways



COLIN ARCHER/AP

Guitar legend Les Paul at the Iridium Jazz Club in New York in 2007. The star guitarist was Fender's main competition.

each new musician, from Buddy Holly to Jimi Hendrix, vaulted over the next, engaging the new instruments with ever-surprising results. Port tells the story elegantly and economically, but two turning points are identified with exceptional insight.

In 1960, now-forgotten surf icon Dick Dale pushed Fender's amplifiers to the limit and beyond during his thunderous concerts at a roadhouse in Orange County, Calif., called the Rendezvous Ballroom, thus inventing a style of music that was specifically built on excessive volume. And the 1966 recording of John Mayall's album “Bluesbreakers With Eric Clapton,” in Port's estimation, was a ground-zero moment when the signature sound of an overdriven Les Paul — “a molten, billowing wail” — was first recorded.

These passages highlight one of Port's true strengths: his ability to marry an agreeably anecdotal writing style to a musician's ear. Describing sound is extraordinarily difficult; Port

can do it without channeling one of those weird, adjective-heavy descriptions of wine or perfume. I myself have owned and played both a Fender Telecaster and a Gibson Les Paul for many years now, and Port's descriptions of their respective sonic capabilities is the most articulate and accurate I have ever read. The way a Telecaster snaps and sizzles, the way a Les Paul purrs with liquid, violin-like tones; he just gets it.

Port's descriptive elan is particularly in force in his account of Hendrix's famous rendition of “The Star-Spangled Banner” at Woodstock in 1969, which pushed rock guitar playing to a height it may never again reach. Port wisely ends his narrative here, and it's an apt capstone. The story of these instruments is the story of America in the postwar era: loud, cocky, brash, aggressively new.

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BOOK REVIEW

'Cat Person' collection lands, but maybe you don't want it

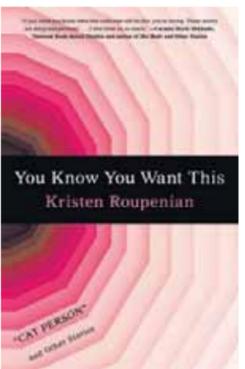
BY EMILY GOULD
Special to The Washington Post

Several hundred debut short story collections are published each year, and of those, many are the result of years spent in a fiction MFA program, which typically culminates in the production of a thesis collecting a student's strongest work. Recent MFA graduate Kristen Roupenian's “You Know You Want This” seems like one of them.

Unlike most collections, this book has had the benefit — or misfortune, depending on your point of view — of having come into being because one of its stories, “Cat Person,” went viral as no New Yorker short story has since that magazine's publication of Shirley Jackson's “The Lottery” in 1948. That story, too, confused readers who mistook it for reportage rather than fiction, and arrived with perfect timing to galvanize conversations about desires that its readers had been accustomed to thinking of as private.

Some of those who read “Cat Person” responded thoughtfully. Many women were grateful to have a name for the experience of realizing you don't want to have sex with someone, then having sex with him anyway, which one of the characters in the story experiences vividly. Many, many other readers responded with latently or overtly sexist idiocy. Roupenian has just published a follow-up piece in The New Yorker explaining how bad this felt.

She has not (yet) been asked to sell this collection and a follow-up for more than \$1 million, or how it feels that HBO is making a TV show out of the collection. Presumably that feels OK, though of course it



'You Know You Want This'

By Kristen Roupenian, Gallery/Scout, 240 pages, \$24.99

might also feel bad.

Critics should avoid writing about the circumstances of a book's publication and focus on the work itself, but for a couple of reasons it's hard to do that with “You Know You Want This.” Pretending it's a collection like any other is impossible; most debut short story collections aren't reviewed in non-trade publications, or are jammed three to a review in brief, brusquely descriptive paragraphs. Publishing these uneven collections serves a purpose: The writers get to add a line to their résumés, which helps them secure jobs teaching the next crop of MFA students how to write short stories. Advances are often in the mid three figures.

The other reason it seems important to describe this book's path to publication is that it explains why I felt absolutely enraged by its weaknesses. It does nobody any good to pretend that the other stories in this collection are anywhere near as note-

worthy or polished as “Cat Person.” They are student work, and they trumpet their influences baldly. There are nods — more like full body blows — to Angela Carter, as in a story about a fairy-tale princess who rejects all her suitors and takes to her bed with a magical lover whom everyone else perceives as a mirror, a bucket and an old thigh bone. Like many of these stories, “A Mirror, A Bucket and An Old Thigh Bone” takes place in that liminal zone between realism and fantasy beloved by realist writers who haven't quite figured out how to make their work believable yet. Everything is normal except this one thing which is either magical or a metaphor.

There are other stories here that almost rise to the level of “Cat Person,” like “Nice Guy,” which does the same close-third-person, flickering-shifts-between-arousal-and-revulsion thing, but from a male perspective. But my favorite is the final story in the collection, “The Biter,” which is about a girl who discovers a love of biting in preschool. As an adult, she must find a socially acceptable way to get away with assuaging her craving for flesh; when she stumbles on a predatory man, she finds that she can bite with impunity. It made me say “ew” out loud while I was reading it, but I didn't feel like that “ew” moment was used for no reason. This story's ending, which I won't spoil, lands. Its moral seems to be: Take advantage of the flaws in the system, as long as they're not going anywhere. Good for the biter, I guess.

Emily Gould is the author of “And the Heart Says What- ever,” “Friendship” and the forthcoming “Perfect Tunes.”

BOOK REVIEW

Dreams turn dangerous in apocalyptic reverie

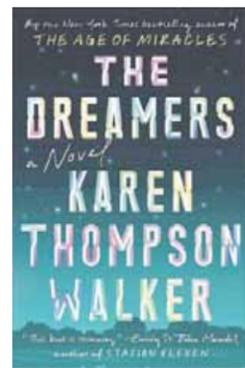
BY SHEILA MCCLEAR
Special to The Washington Post

To Herodotus and Homer, dreams were divine prophecies to be interpreted by priests. Then psychoanalysts saw them as the quickest route to the unconscious. Now, science tells us that our reveries are more or less meaningless — a kitchen junk drawer, the brain's information-dump at the end of the day.

In “The Dreamers,” Karen Thompson Walker's second novel, dreams are something else entirely — both more dangerous and more powerful than the Greeks could have ever imagined. These augmented dreams are the result of a sleeping epidemic that starts in the fictional college town of Santa Lora, Calif., then quickly spreads.

It starts on an ordinary dormitory floor: A few weeks into the fall semester, a girl fails to wake up after a night of drinking. Her roommate, the painfully shy 18-year-old Mei, becomes a dorm pariah for failing to rouse her before she slips into fatal unconsciousness. But this isn't a mere case of hitting snooze. Soon another student falls into a permanent sleep, and another and another, until the students remaining on the floor — including Mei — are quarantined in a nearby gymnasium.

Doctors rushed in to examine the patients find them with eyelids fluttering, a sign of REM sleep. They're dreaming, but not the way people typically do. Something incredible is happening: “There is more activity in these minds than has ever been recorded in any human brain — awake or asleep.” Yet the essence of the



'The Dreamers'

By Karen Thompson Walker, Random House, 320 pages, \$27

dreams remains locked inside the brains of the comatose patients.

The virus inevitably spreads, felling the town's citizens as they relay the sickness through the ordinary contact of everyday life — touch, breath, proximity. The interconnectedness that is so essential to being part of a community also makes the townspeople fatally vulnerable.

“This is how the sickness travels best: through all the same channels as do fondness and friendship and love,” Walker writes.

Walker's last novel, the best-selling “Age of Miracles,” featured similarly apocalyptic themes. Its protagonist was a young girl living in a future dystopia triggered by the slowing of Earth's rotation, which wreaked havoc on the planet in unforeseen ways.

Walker's omniscient narrator follows several sets of people weathering the crisis in Santa Lora, including Mei, who is the heart of the book. There is also a young academic couple with a newborn

baby, a doctor far from home and the biology professor, whose partner is in a nursing home. Most captivating is a paranoid doomsday-prepper who lives with his two young daughters — and has been waiting for a day like this.

Walker uses evocative language to describe the almost bewitching nature of contagion: “seventeen pairs of lungs breathing the same air, seventeen mouths drinking from the same two shot glasses,” she writes about the college students unwittingly infecting one another in a dorm room. The novel reads like a thriller, with every chapter — sometimes every scene — ending on a cliffhanger.

Meanwhile, slumbering bodies pile up at the small local hospital — casualties, too. The government orders a military-enforced shutdown of the town, preventing anyone from coming or going. One thing does creep in, however: chaos.

And then, some of the sleeping start to wake. The patients' relief of being conscious is painfully short-lived, as their lives have been irrevocably altered. As the confusion falls away, they must confront their incredible visions, and find themselves caught in a dilemma worthy of Descartes, who posited dreams and reality cannot be separated.

The people of Santa Lora who sleep no more face a choice: struggle to find a way back to themselves or remain in thrall to the beguiling, comforting, sometimes terrifying visions that held them captive. Hope, said Aristotle, is a waking dream.

Sheila McClear is a New York journalist and author.

WATCH THIS: THURSDAY



Eline Powell

"Siren" (7 p.m., FREE): Bristol Cove is alive with the sound of mermaids as this fantasy series — cable's top new drama during its freshman run last spring — returns for Season 2. The season premiere, "The Arrival," finds mermaid Ryn (Eline Powell) still trying to adapt to life on dry land, while her human ally Ben (Alex Roe) struggles with the lingering effects of hearing the seductive siren song.

"Grey's Anatomy" (7 p.m., ABC): Meredith (Ellen Pompeo) starts to question whether Link's (Chris Carmack) characteristically laid-back approach is really appropriate when it comes to one patient's treatment in the new episode "Help, I'm Alive." Elsewhere, Maggie (Kelly McCreary) frets over whether Richard, Jackson and Catherine (James Pickens Jr., Jesse Williams, Debbie Allen) have truly come to terms with Catherine's diagnosis.

"Bring It!" (8 p.m., 12:01 a.m., Lifetime): The Dolls fall like dominoes as they get ready for the season's first stand battle, which features both boys and girls in competition, in the new episode "A Dollhouse Abandoned." Since not all the new members are performance-ready yet, Coach D and Marquell must make some rough cuts. Emotions run high as an unprecedented betrayal rattles the Dollhouse, forcing the team to consider whether to go ahead with the competition or forfeit.

"The Good Place" (8:30 p.m., NBC): NBC has renewed this critically acclaimed, Emmy-nominated sitcom for a fourth season, but it's anyone's guess where it will be set. So far, the late Eleanor Shellstrop (Kristen Bell) and her pals have found themselves in The Good Place — which turned out actually to be The Bad Place — as well as a Limbo-like midpoint between those two extremes.

"Broad City" (9 p.m., 10:36 p.m., Comedy Central): Series stars and co-creators Abbi Jacobson and Ilana Glazer kick off the fifth and final season of their critically acclaimed comedy series with a premiere called "Stories," which uses a format similar to Instagram Stories to follow the pair as they travel through Manhattan to celebrate Abbi's 30th birthday.

"The Other Two" (9:30 p.m., 11:06 p.m., Comedy Central): Former "Saturday Night Live" head writers Chris Kelly and Sarah Schneider created this promising new sitcom starring Drew Tarver ("Superstore") and Helene Yorke ("Masters of Sex") as Cary, a 28-year-old struggling actor, and Brooke, his slightly older sister, whose already frustrating lives become even more untenable when their 13-year-old brother Chase (Case Walker) becomes an overnight teen sensation.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Bill Hader.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Jimmy Fallon brings A-list guests, signature comedy bits and chart-topping music to late night.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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	NBC	5	The Titan Games (N) ©		Brooklyn Nine (N)	The Good Place (Season Finale) (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit: "Revenge."		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC	7	Grey's Anatomy: "Help, I'm Alive." (N) ©		(8:01) A Million Little Things (N) ©		How to Get Away With Murder (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN	9	blackish ©	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	It Runs in the Family (PG,94) **	Charles Grodin. ©			Clifford (PG,94) * Martin Short. ©		Interview Show (N)
	PBS	11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Queen Victoria and Her Nine Children ©		Rick Steves Special: Luther and the Reformation		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	In the Cut	48 HRS. (R,'82) *** Nick Nolte. ♦		
	FOX	32	Gotham: "Ruin." (N) ©		The Orville: "All the World Is Birthday Cake." (N)		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion	38	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D.: "Justice."		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ♦
	Telem	44	Exatlon EE. UU. (N)		Jugar con fuego (N) ©		Señora Acero (N) ©		Chicago (N)
	CW	50	Supernatural (N) ©		Legacies (N) ©		The Good Wife ©		Chicago ♦
	UniMas	60	Tres Milagros		Atrapada		Rosario Tijeras		Tiro de ♦
	WJYS	62	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Christian	Dn. Carson	Monument
	Univ	66	Jesús (N)		Mi marido (N)		Amar a muerte (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE		The First 48 (N) ©		The First 48 (N)		(9:01) 60 Days In (N) ©		First 48 ♦
	AMC		Deep Impact (PG-13,'98) **	Robert Duvall, Tea Leoni. ©			Gravity (PG-13,'13) *** ♦		
	ANIM		Crikey! It's the Irwins ©		The Secret of		The Secret of		The Zoo ♦
	BBCA		Planet Earth: Frozen		Planet Earth: Frozen		Planet Earth: Frozen		Planet ♦
	BET		(6:55) Waiting to Exhale (R,'95) ***	Whitney Houston, Angela Bassett.					Family ♦
	BIGTEN		Women's College Basketball (N)				The BIG	The BIG	The Journey
	BRAVO		Top Chef (N) ©		Million Dollar LA (N)		(9:01) Backyard Envy (N)		Watch (N) ♦
	CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ♦
	CNN		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦
	COM		The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Broad City	Other Two	Daily (N) ♦
	DISC		Building Off the Grid ©		Building Off the Grid (N)		Building Off the Grid		Building ♦
	DISN		Raven	Raven	Bunk'd ©	Bizaardvark	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven
	E!		Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Dating (N)	Busy (N)
	ESPN		Wm. Basketball (N)		Pro Bowl Skills (Tape)		Winter X Games: Aspen. (N)		(Live) ♦
	ESPN2		College Basketball (N)		College Basketball: Washington at Oregon. (N) ©				Basketball
	FNC		Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD		Chopped: "Weird Twist."		Chopped: "Deadly Catch."		Beat Flay (N)	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby
	FREE		Siren: "The Arrival." (Season Premiere) (N) ©		(8:01) Brave (PG,'12) ***		Voices of Kelly Macdonald.		700 Club ♦
	FX		Pitch Perfect 2 (PG-13,'15) **	Anna Kendrick, Rebel Wilson. ©			22 Jump Street ('14) *** ♦		
	HALL		Love's Complicated (NR,'15)	Holly Marie Combs. ©			Winter Castle (NR,'19) Emilie Ullerup. ♦		
	HGTV		Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Hunters	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters
	HIST		American Pickers		American Pickers (N) ©		(9:03) American Pickers		Pickers ♦
	HLN		How It Really Happened		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC		(5:30) S.W.A.T. ('03) **		Smokey and the Bandit (PG,'77) ***	Burt Reynolds.	Smokey II ♦		
	LIFE		Bring It! ©		Bring It! (N) ©		(9:03) The Rap Game (N)		Rap Game
	MSNBC		All in With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
	MTV		Ex on the Beach (N) ©		Florabama Shore (N) ©		Siesta Key ©		Siesta Key ♦
	NBCSCH		Ski (Tape)		Fight Sports: World Class Championship Boxing				Patrick ♦
	NICK		SpongeBob	SpongeBob	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG,'04) ***				Friends ©
	OVATION		(6:30) Fools Rush In (PG-13,'97) **	Matthew Perry.			Travel (N)	Travel (N)	Sleepless ♦
	OWN		20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 on ID ©		20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 ♦
OLY		Chicago P.D.: "Profiles."		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D.: "Ghosts."		Chicago ♦	
PARMT		(5) Pretty Woman (R) ***	Lip Sync (N) (8:32) Legally Blonde (PG-13,'01) ** ©						
SYFY		Limitless **	Ant-Man (PG-13,'15) ***	Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas. ©				Deadly	
TBS		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang	Big Bang	Drop/Mic	Joker's Wild	Conan (N)	
TCM		Hercules, Samson and Ulysses ('65) *		(8:45) Tyrant of Lydia Against the Son of Hercules					
TLC		Dr. Pimple Popper ©		Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		My 600-Lb. Life (N) ♦			
TLN		IMPACT	Wretched	Audacity		Life Today	Like You	Humanit ♦	
TNT		NBA Basketball: Warriors at Wizards (N Subject to Blackout)				Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)		Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)	
TOON		Samur. Jack Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	
TRAV		The Dead Files ©		The Dead Files (N) ©		Kindred Spirits (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Hault (N) ♦	
TVL		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	Other Two	
USA		NCIS: "Mother's Day."		NCIS: "Double Identity."		NCIS: "Jurisdiction."		NCIS ♦	
VH1		Black Ink Crew: Chicago		The Family That Preys (PG-13,'08) **		** Kathy Bates. ©			
WE		Growing Up Hip Hop ©		Growing Up Hip Hop (N)		Marriage- Stars (N)		Hip Hop ♦	
WGN America		Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO		Tully (R,'18) ***	Charlize Theron.		Crashing	High Main.	Clash of the Titans *** ♦	
	HBO2		High Main.	Crashing	(8:05) True Detective		There's Something About Mary *** ♦		
	MAX		Getaway (PG-13,'13) * Ethan Hawke.		Truth or Dare (PG-13,'18) * Lucy Hale.		In the Cut ♦		
	SHO		I Feel Pretty (PG-13,'18) **	Amy Schumer. ©		SMILF ©	Den of Thieves ('18) *** ♦		
	STARZ		(6:44) Spider-Man: Homecoming (PG-13,'17) ***		Counterpart: "Twin Cities." Chuck ♦				
	STZNC		(6:33) Bulletproof ('96) *	Grown Ups (PG-13,'10) *	Adam Sandler.		(9:45) The Other Guys ♦		

Sounds that go crunch

Shamir has moved away from slick, danceable music

BY STEVE KNOPPER
Chicago Tribune

Before he plays an intense, rumbling rocker about how "all straight boys care about is how they're viewed from the outside," Shamir asks the straight men in the audience to raise their hands. He laughs, as if he's joking, but he isn't. What he's trying to do is change the way people feel in the audience, empowering "queer people, and people of color, and people in color in general," while putting the straight white men who populate his shows off-balance.

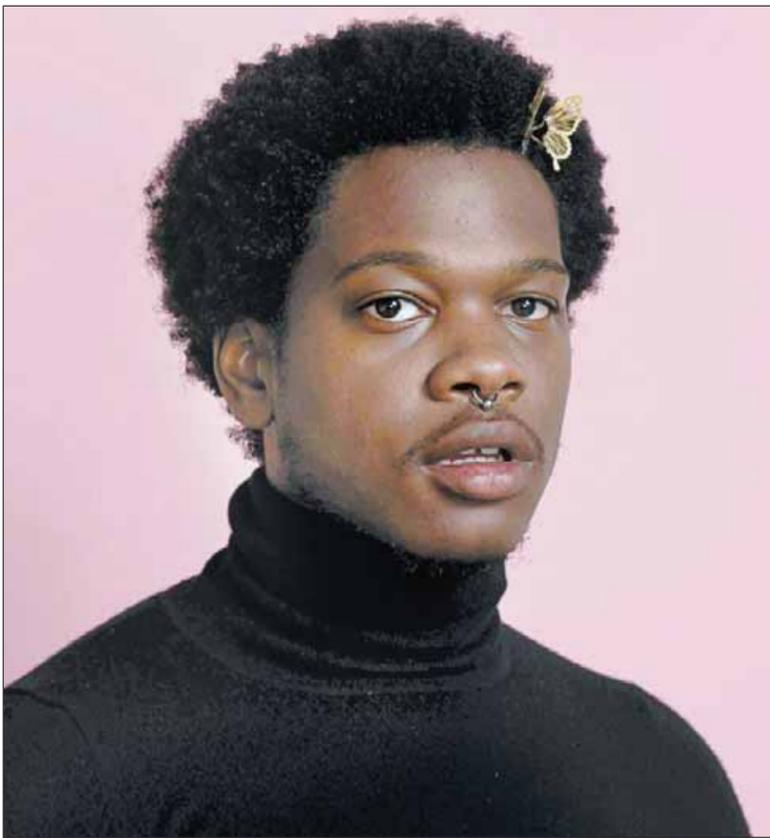
"When I single out the straight men, I notice they're kind of, like, shook, and they start to feel the marginalized people in the crowd, even if it's a small number. It's really funny to see that dynamic. All the queer people, and people of color, they're just lit and loud and really into it, and the straight fans instantly are scared," adds Shamir, who once tweeted he has "no gender, no sexuality and no f--- to give." "It's really interesting, like, 'oh, you don't want to share space, you just want to take up the space.' It never fails to be hilarious, every night."

Best known for 2015's

indie-pop hit "On the Regular," 24-year-old Shamir Bailey has spent the past two years redefining himself along the lines of how he started — as a guitar-slinging rock 'n' roller. He layers his biting falsetto on top of aggressive, buzzing punk and rock, with bits of folksy strumming. In his lyrics, he calls out dishonest straight men who "take it out on people like me all the time"; vents his outrage over recent police killings of African-Americans; and seems to reference his struggles with bipolar disorder. "All I had going for me/is my sanity, my sanity," he sings on his 2018 album "Resolution." "But in an instant, it was taken from me/taken from me."

Shamir's recent music is intense and heavy, but it's built on joyful, familiar noise, so it has a catharsis akin to what Husker Du was doing 35 years ago. And it comes with a mission statement: "I would be done with music if there was more representation and more people of color doing what I'm doing," he says. "Unfortunately, there's not. Until there is, I'm going to keep doing it."

Born to an 18-year-old mother in a Las Vegas suburb, Shamir took up guitar at 9. ("Wanted a guitar before I wanted a bike," he sings in "On the Regular.") He learned to play upside-down, but his mother recognized



JASON MACDONALD

Shamir has gone from the danceable pop that propelled him to fame, to crunchy guitar rock.

his talent and encouraged him, even though he wanted to be a small-town Arkansas farmer after high school. Instead, he sent demos to Brooklyn indie label Godmode and received an enthusiastic response.

Soon the bigger British indie XL, which also puts out records by Adele and the xx, signed him to make "Ratchet," a beautifully skronky pop record full of synths, Auto-Tune experiments and weird sound effects, including the ebul-

lient "On the Regular." The song went viral — it has more than 10 million Spotify plays and another 5.4 million on YouTube — and Shamir found himself playing Coachella and opening a tour for rising pop star Troye Sivan.

Rather than celebrating, Shamir withdrew. He gained 60 pounds, shaved his head and became frustrated with XL's expectations of a follow-up hit. The label dropped him, and he went through a period of

retrenchment, making 2017's intense and dark "Revelations" in two weeks. After that, he had a psychotic episode, wound up in the hospital, received a diagnosis of bipolar disorder, recorded last year's "Resolution" in a month and posted it on Bandcamp. "I did my first tour for 'Revelations,' and I went back to Las Vegas for the holidays and literally purged out all these songs," Shamir says via phone from Vegas. "I rebuilt my team from the

When: 9 p.m. Friday

Where: Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave.

Tickets: \$18; 773-276-3600 or www.emptybottle.com

ground up. I virtually worked with none of the people I worked with beforehand."

The past year has been one of stability and mental health, as bandmates Christina Thompson (bass) and Fiona Campbell (drums, formerly of the Vivian Girls) have been his friends for years. "Christina has seen me in an episode of deep psychosis and knows what to do if that is ever going to happen," he says. "I feel super-blessed and super-grateful to have that."

Shamir's new album took unusually long to record (more than six months) and he's waiting an unusually long time (the second half of 2019) to put it out. He'll play five songs from it live. "Of all my guitar records, this one is the most pop, in the sense that there's more hooks," he says. "I paid more attention to it and worked a little harder on it and wanted to make sure it was really good. I can release music very quickly. I knew this release would be a little more planned-out, so I wanted to make sure I could still like it, even a few months after it was done."

After "Ratchet," "Revelations," and "Resolution," the next album will start with "R," right? "No!" Shamir says. "We're ending the Rs."

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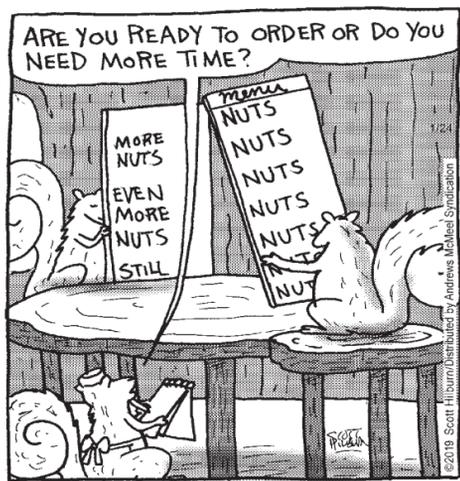


Today's birthday (Jan. 24): Good things come through friends this year. Handle backstage details. Manage domestic surprises. Begin a new partnership phase this winter. Get physical this summer, before hiding away into a peaceful escape. Rediscover a sense of purpose next winter. Collaboration increases the results, reach and fun.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Connect anew with your partner over the next two days. Support each other with a challenge. Communication flows with ease.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Things are getting busy. Physical action gets the job done. Apply discipline to your practices for satisfying results. You're growing stronger.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Strengthen your connection with someone sweet. Romance is a distinct possibility. Talk about long-term dreams and visions. Play a game.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Authorize home improvements. Things may not go as planned. Discuss changes with family. Investigate different options, prices and colors. Choose together.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Dig deeper into a favorite subject. Study and research. Creative expression flowers today and tomorrow. Figure out what you want to say. Practice your arts.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Focus on making money for a few days. Provide valuable services. Business grows with satisfied customers. Whatever you're doing, it's working.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. You're on top of the world. Use your power and confidence to advance a personal project. Direct attention to a practical solution. Lead by example.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Slow down, and focus on planning. Your imagination goes wild today and tomorrow. Figure out your moves before you make them.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. You have more friends than you realized. Share what you're learning. Social events and gatherings spark new and old connections. Enjoy a meaningful conversation.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Focus on a professional challenge. Review options to discover a hidden advantage. A friend's expertise comes in handy. Find out how to provide what's needed.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Things fall into place. Your studies, travels and investigations reveal hidden treasure. Keep digging; don't give up right before striking gold.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Keep meticulous books. Manage accounting and financial tasks for a few days. Send invoices, and pay bills. Work with a partner to fulfill shared priorities.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North
 ♠ A Q 4 3
 ♥ A K 10 8
 ♦ 10 7 6
 ♣ A 7

West
 ♠ 7 5
 ♥ 5 3 2
 ♦ K 4 3
 ♣ K Q 10 9 5

East
 ♠ 8
 ♥ Q J 9 6
 ♦ A J 9 8
 ♣ 8 4 3 2

South
 ♠ K J 10 9 6 2
 ♥ 7 4
 ♦ Q 5 2
 ♣ J 6

North's raise to game was perfectly reasonable, but the resulting contract was not a good one. There were only nine tricks and a tenth looked out of reach. The ace and king of diamonds could both be with East, or the queen and jack of hearts both with West, but those were only 25 percent chances. Declarer saw a line that only needed East to hold the jack of diamonds. South won the opening club lead with dummy's ace.

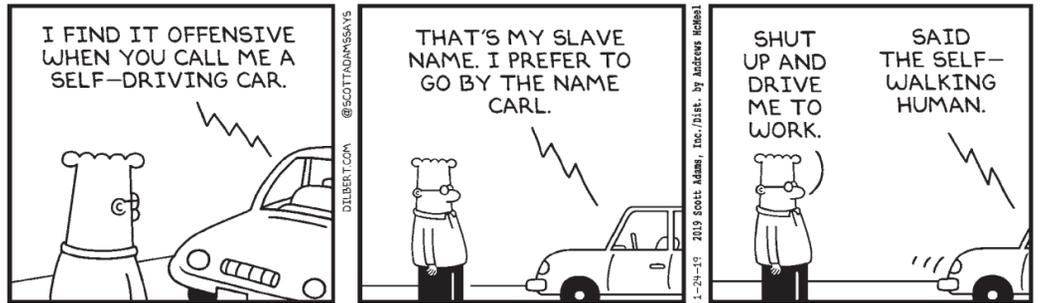
The ace and king of spades drew the trumps, followed by the ace, king, and a heart ruff. The queen and jack of hearts didn't fall, so dummy was re-entered with the queen of spades and dummy's last heart was ruffed. Declarer exited with his jack of clubs and hoped for the best.

Had East been able to win this club, he might have defeated the contract by leading the jack of diamonds, "surrounding" South's queen. The opening lead, however, made it a near certainty that West would win this trick. The defense had to play diamonds or yield a ruff-sluff, so West led a low diamond to East's ace. South played low from his hand on the diamond continuation and claimed his contract when this forced the king from West. Nicely played!

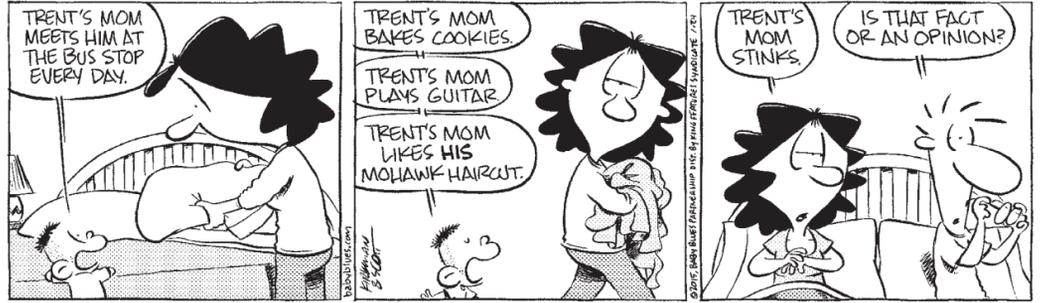
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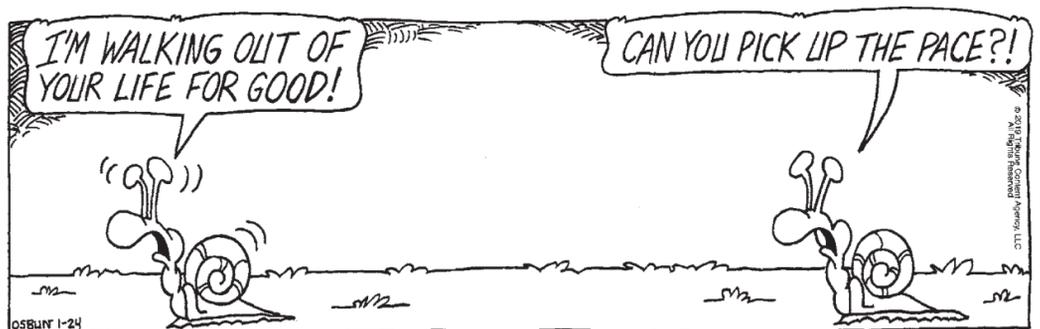
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Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers



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THURSDAY, JAN. 24 NORMAL HIGH: 31° NORMAL LOW: 16° RECORD HIGH: 65° (1967) RECORD LOW: -15° (1897)

Bitterly cold wind chills Thursday afternoon

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 21 **LOW -8**

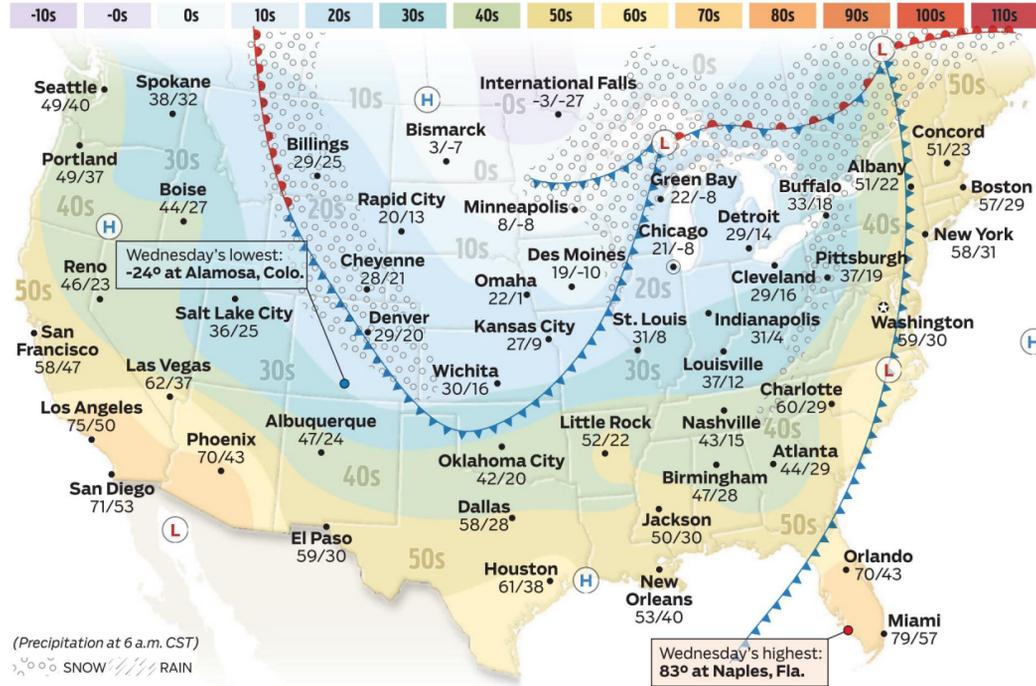
■ **Wind Chill Warnings/Advisories Thursday night into Friday.**

■ A cold front sweeps through NE Illinois and NW Indiana from the northwest Thursday afternoon/evening.

■ Clouds increase as the cold front moves through preceded light snow/blowing snow - followed by strong gusty NW winds and much colder Arctic-source air. High around 20° early, falling through the teens later in the day.

■ Very cold overnight with temps dropping below zero after midnight and W/NW winds gusting to 30 mph lowering wind chills to -20 to -30 levels.

NATIONAL FORECAST



A combination of wind chill warnings and advisories have been posted for the entire Chicago area Thursday night into Friday morning.

A cold front will pass through northeast Illinois and northwest Indiana on Thursday afternoon, with the following frigid air dropping wind chills to minus 20 to minus 30 degrees and colder later Thursday night and Friday morning.

The front will be preceded by gusty southwest winds, snow showers and some blowing snow.

Behind the front, the leading edge of arctic high pressure will nose into our area, with northwest winds gusting to 30 mph, carrying increasingly colder air into the Chicago area, with temperatures falling through the teens and single digits to below zero by midnight.

FRIDAY, JAN. 25

HIGH 3 **LOW -10**

Bitterly cold - wind chills 20 to 30° below zero in the morning and 10 to 20° below in the afternoon. Highs in the lower single digits. Clouds thicken with a chance of light snow later in the afternoon. A chance of snow overnight.

SATURDAY, JAN. 26

HIGH 7 **LOW -1**

Clouds possible early, but becoming mostly sunny. Very cold with single-digit highs after sub-zero lows to start. Partly cloudy overnight. Northwest winds.

SUNDAY, JAN. 27

HIGH 15 **LOW 10**

Mostly cloudy with a chance of occasional light snow or flurries. Highs in the teens. Accumulating snow likely overnight. Easterly winds.

MONDAY, JAN. 28

HIGH 23 **LOW 2**

Cloudy with accumulating snow. Winds shift northwest bringing arctic cold overnight.

TUESDAY, JAN. 29

HIGH 10 **LOW -13**

Bitterly cold air Arctic air dominates - coldest in several years. Blustery NW winds and single-digit daytime readings and sub-zero lows at night drive wind chills to very dangerous levels far below zero.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

HIGH -2 **LOW -16**

Partly sunny and continued bitterly cold. High temperatures fail to reach zero with readings at night approaching the -20 degree mark. Northwest winds.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I remember that in my youth in the mid-'60s, a tremendously thick ice storm in Park Ridge knocked out power for days and allowed me to ice skate on the sidewalks. Details?
— John DeRosa, West Dundee

Dear John,
The ice storm that you remember glazed the Chicago area on Jan. 23-24, 1965, and is considered by utility companies to be one of the worst on record, second only to one on New Year's Day 1948.

Damage from the storm was estimated to be in the millions of dollars, with the north and west suburbs hardest hit. Power was out for days in many areas.

Damage in the city was limited, but the ice coated almost everything. Icy roads made travel nearly impossible, forcing many schools and businesses to close, and hospitals reported a rash of injuries from falls.

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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.

Brutal arctic cold to arrive on strong winds; more snow follows

DANGEROUS WIND CHILLS THURS. NIGHT/FRI. A.M.

■ Arctic high pressure - temps -5° to -15° degrees below zero.

■ Strong NW winds 20-40 mph.

■ Thick snow-cover over the area.

■ Clearing skies

POTENTIAL SNOW SYSTEM
Reaches Chicago Sunday night and Monday

FORECAST
Storm track
Snow
Heaviest Snow

TOTAL SNOW ON THE GROUND WEDNESDAY
8-9"
10"
8"
6"
4"
2"

NEW SNOW/RAIN TUES. A.M. - WED. A.M.
+4"
3"
2"
1"
0"

HIGHEST SNOW TOTALS
Highwood (Lake Co. Ill.) 13.0"
Bull Valley (McHenry, Co.) 11.0"
Riverwood (Lake Co. Ill.) 10.0"
Buffalo Grove, (Lake Co.) 10.0"

HIGHEST RAINFALL TOTALS
Gibson City 1.09" Braun, Ind. 1.30"
Watseka 10.3" Kentland, Ind. 1.77"
Mt. Ayr, Ind. 1.33" DeMotte, Ind. 1.70"

4.0"+ inches of snow across counties bordering Wisconsin - 1.00" rain into south/central Illinois into SE corner of Chicago area

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

CHICAGO DIGEST

WEDNESDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	34	20	Midway	35	22
Gary	39	25	O'Hare	34	21
Kankakee	38	23	Romeoville	35	22
Lakefront	35	24	Valparaiso	39	36
Lansing	37	24	Waukegan	32	19

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	0.22"	0.05"
January to date	1.30"	1.61"
Year to date	1.30"	1.61"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Wed. (through 4 p.m.)	1.0"	0.2"
Season to date	23.4"	21.2"
Normal to date	17.5"	18.6"

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wind	W 11-23 kts.	W 15-25 kts.
Waves	2-4 feet	2-4 feet
Wed. shore/creeper water temps	34°/30°	

U.S. SNOW COVER

JAN. 23	2019	2018
Area covered by snow	50.2%	40.6%
Average snow depth	4.7"	3.5"

TRACKING THE COLD

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	15 days	13 days
Subzero lows	0 days	0 days

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Wednesday's reading: **Good**
Thursday's forecast: **Good**
Critical pollutant: **Particulates**

SUNSHINE RISE/SET TIMES

SUN	7:10 a.m.	4:56 p.m.
Moon	9:25p.m.	9:40 a.m.

THURSDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	7:10 a.m.	4:39 p.m.
Venus	3:59 a.m.	1:34 p.m.
Mars	10:08 a.m.	10:59 p.m.
Jupiter	4:00 a.m.	1:15 p.m.
Saturn	6:00 a.m.	3:14 p.m.

BEST VIEWING TIME

Mercury	Not visible
Venus	5:45 a.m. 15.5° SE
Mars	6:00 p.m. 50° SSW
Jupiter	5:45 a.m. 14.5° SE
Saturn	Not visible

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

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Unique storage solutions

BY JENNA SCHUSTER
Tribune News Service

Think you've tried everything when it comes to storage? Even if you've gotten close, the answer to a truly organized home may be just around the corner. Check out these five creative storage solutions to help you think outside of the box.

Hide secret cupboards: By now, we know all about the benefits of wall storage. But what if you don't want to lose any wall space? Do it yourself and install some shallow shelving behind your existing paintings and mirrors. Simply remove your wall hangings, place thin shelves where you would like them to go and attach hinges between the shelves and your artwork. The result should be a secret storage space that functions like a medicine cabinet! This is a great way to conceal valuables and important documents.

Install trap doors: Embrace your inner bootlegger and install some trapdoors

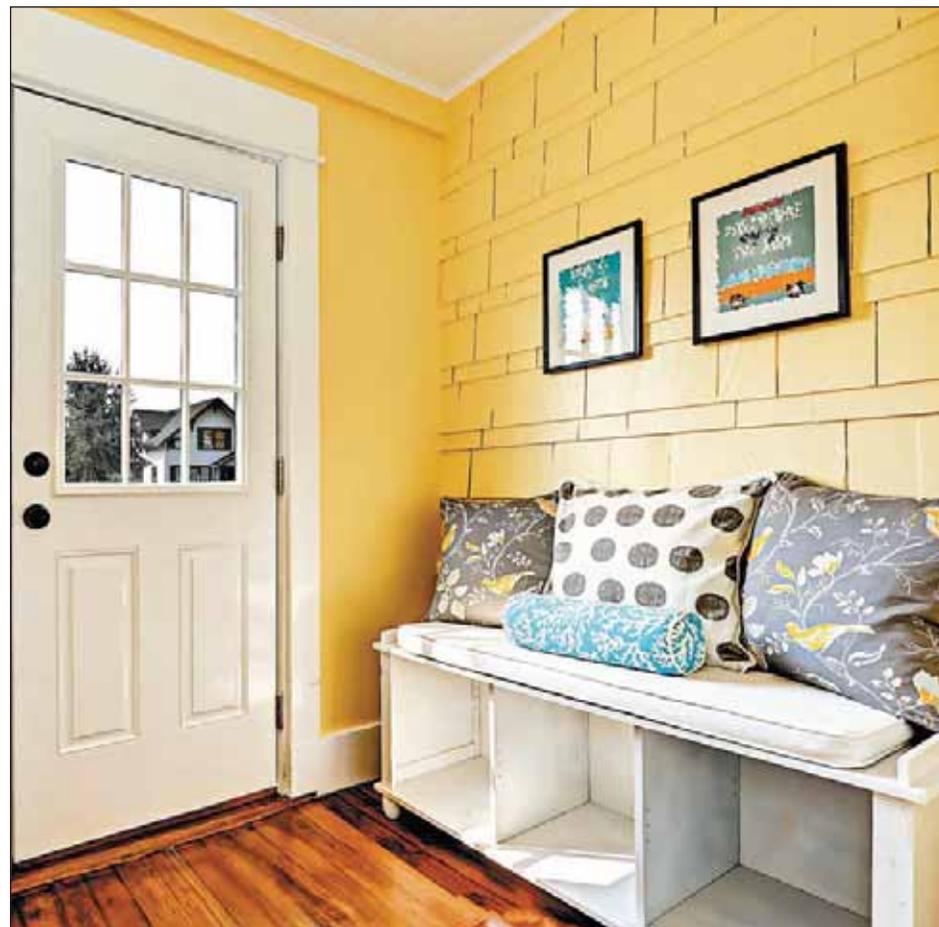
in your home. They're relatively easy to build and have endless storage applications. Use trapdoors to hide unsightly cleaning supplies, or as a way to tuck away tangled electronics. Try tapping into the spirit of the prohibition era and use your trapdoor storage as a wine cellar. These nifty hideaways don't take up any extra space in your home. But if you're worried about disrupting your floor design, tuck them away inside closets or beneath furniture. No matter what, this unusual storage option is sure to be a great conversation starter.

Build hidden drawers: More drawers means more storage. But after a while, it can be difficult to find places to install them. Luckily, there are several subtle locations to choose from when it comes time to build drawers into your home. Add drawers inside of your banquette benches, for instance, and pull them out on sliders. Or, let your fireplace mantel pull double duty by placing a

drawer beneath the lip. Do you have exposed stairs? Don't waste space. Get seamless cabinets installed beneath the steps. All it takes is a bit of creativity to increase your home's functionality.

Embrace sliding doors: Sliding doors are your best friend when it comes to storage. You can get them in large or small sizes to fit your needs, making it simple to conceal just about anything. Use small sliding barn doors to camouflage cluttered shelving units and eyesore entertainment centers. Or, hide entire rooms by stationing sleek designs in front of messy pantries, laundry rooms and children's areas.

Utilize your furniture: Your furniture is already taking up space, so let it work for you. There are a good deal of dual-purpose furnishings available on the market these days, offering storage in everything from bed frames to benches. Consider investing in a headboard with cabinets and shelving, where you



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Let your furniture do double duty when it comes to storing things around your home.

can store towels, sheets and pillowcases. If you have a lot of remotes or coasters lying about, look into pur-

chasing a hollowed-out ottoman, which can serve as a footrest and container. Making your furniture

multitask is a painless and underutilized way to free up space around your home.

Secrets for making small rooms feel bigger

BY CATHY HOBBS
Tribune Content Agency

While some rooms are spacious and generous, others may be smaller and more challenging. Many apartment dwellers and homeowners have the overwhelming desire to make every space count. So what to do in the case of small rooms and spaces? Here are some key tips to keep in mind.

- Create a floor plan. In many instances, the key to a successful space is proper

planning.

- Don't overstuff. When looking to keep a space open, less is more. Be sure not to overstuff a space with too much furniture.
- Consider making a space feel brighter through color. Often small spaces are dark, and in many cases simply adding bright colors such as orange and yellow or even pastels can help make a space brighter.
- Consider white. Remember white is a color and can be used as an

accent to help make a space feel bigger.

- Use mirrors. Use mirrors alone, in a grouping or in a series to make small rooms instantly feel larger.
- Purchase furniture of the proper size and scale. In smaller spaces, furniture that is smaller in scale will help create a more successful space.
- Look for ways to incorporate transparent surfaces in one or two furniture pieces. Glass or transparent surfaces add a sense of weightlessness and work

especially well in small rooms.

- Experiment with shapes. Round tables allow for more circulation and movement than rectangular ones.
- Consider a neutral color palette. From white and taupe to soft gray, lighter colors can help make small rooms feel soothing and appealing.
- Determine function. Deciding a clear purpose for your small space will go a long way in selecting the appropriate furnishings.



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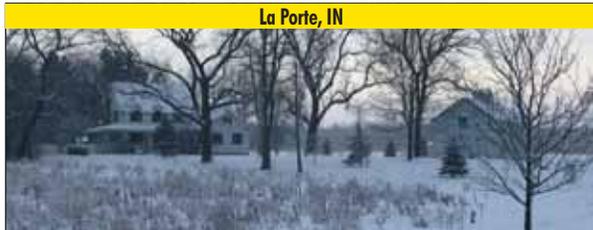
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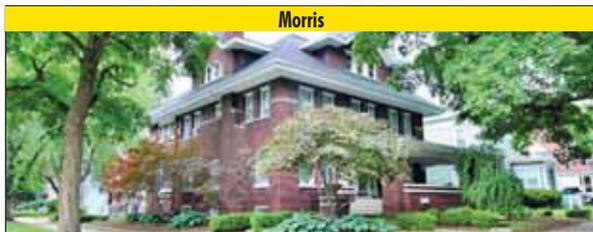
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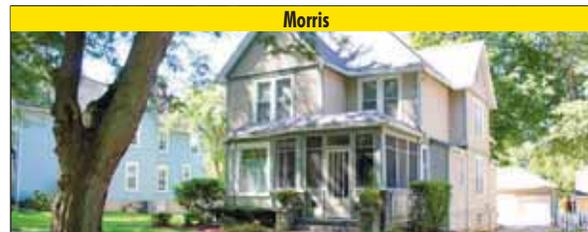
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Expert eyes ‘human reaction to colors’

Artist creates hues for architects — and her own home

BY SANDY DENEAU
DUNHAM

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — The miracle orb that is the human eye can detect oodles and oodles of colors.

Betty Merken can create them all.

Merken is an architectural colorist, an artist and a color consultant. It's an exceptional, meaningful mixed palette of talent and passion — and she put every varied hue to beautiful use when she and her husband, Stefan Merken, moved into their newly remodeled midcentury-modern home.

Previously, as an arts educator, Merken developed curricula on color theory for design professionals — which is how, and when, the bright-yellow lightbulb of inspiration twinkled.

“I taught a weekend seminar through the Architecture and Interior Design program at UCLA Extension, and at least half of the participants were architects,” she says. “I didn’t realize how underserved design education for color was. One architect said, ‘The only color class I ever got was the color wheel. There was no connection to the built environment.’”

Thus inspired to re-search Faber Birren, who is considered the first American color consultant, Merken started detecting connections everywhere.

“With responsible color design, it’s not enough to develop a color palette; you need to understand the human reaction to colors,” she says. “Elementary-age students are relaxed by primary colors — but not in middle school; then, they’re too stimulating.”

The Merkens’ 4,600-square-foot 1961 home and their new 810-square-foot



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Pops of red accent the kitchen, with the original ovens, dishwasher and “blondish cabinets.” “They’re really not blond,” says architectural colorist Betty Merken. “They have gray striations. It’s a new island with a granite waterfall.”



“Stefan worked on the dining table with an antiques dealer,” says Merken. “The church pews are from L.A.”

backyard studio take the concept of connection and responsible color design even further.

“It’s about a collaboration of four creative people (architect Jonathan Hartung, of SHKS Architects; contractor Aaron Merken, Betty and Stefan’s son, who at the time owned AM Construction; Betty; and

Stefan, officially a photographer/writer, but in this case, also a gifted curator of midcentury and art deco lighting fixtures), each of us bringing our unique talents and input to the project,” she says.

Betty’s singular contribution of talent touches on all the rest.

“I’ve always felt as a



In her living room, Merken says, “The beautiful triangle shape (of the table) is repeated in the artwork.”

painter that color is material,” she says. “What painters and architects share are color, form, space, shape. Through history, architects and artists work together. ... Color theory comes out of painting, so it’s applicable to architecture and design. In our home, I chose the colors as a painter. It’s a home, not a task environ-

ment.”

Merken has participated in three international painting/art fellowships; each time, she says, she documents the colors of the region, sometimes gathering stones and grasses for inspiration, sometimes examining building facades up-close for detail, always using water-based paint

and hundreds of strips to blend until each color is exactly — exactly — right.

“I hand-mixed several colors for our new home to reference architectural colors that I have documented on-site in Italy,” she says. “The color of the exterior cladding is reminiscent of the shifting colors of the limestone of southern Italy. The warm, red cedar trim echoes the earthy, reddish bricks of Siena, and the front door is the ultramarine blue found in Italian frescoes.”

That same soothing hue — inspired by the rare gemstone lapis lazuli, “the most expensive pigment,” she says — also appears on the door to the laundry room.

In the powder room, where Aaron handmade the countertop, “more fresco colors,” she says. “In the Sistine Chapel, Michelangelo used a number of opposite colors for contrast. The lilac next to gold leaf gave a sense of vitality and contrast.”

The kitchen pops with dots of red: in the espresso machine, in the teakettle, in new fabric cushions at the center island.

In the guest bathroom, where variations in light create a magical morphing display of hues, the celadon green “is the color on the facade of the Orvieto Cathedral in Italy,” Merken says. “I created the color there and painted/documented on-site as a way of tying into the architecture.”

Even the apparent absence of color plays a role, especially in the new master suite on the new upper level.

“When we first moved in, I didn’t want any furniture because I loved the architecture so much,” Merken says. “At first I didn’t want additions. Aaron climbed up on the roof and said, ‘You have to have the view.’ Because the house was so new to us, I decided to use Benjamin Moore Decorator’s White until we lived in it a while.”



CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

Snow serves as a good insulator against extreme cold or fluctuating temperatures.

Snow, cold weather are no cause for garden worries

BY TIM JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

It seems like it has been an easy winter thus far, but the recent snowstorm and cold weather has me worried about the plants in my garden. Is there anything I should do now to help protect them?

— Riley Jackson, Woodstock

There is probably nothing to worry about regarding the health of your plants as it relates to the snow and cold weather thus far this winter. Plants that are not cold-hardy in the Chicago region may be adversely affected by the low temperatures that are the norm for our winters. I worry more about my garden when there are long periods of warmer-than-normal weather followed by quick drops in temperature and no snow cover.

Overall, the snow cover is good for your garden, as it serves as an excellent insulator against intense cold or fluctuating winter temperatures. The snow cover helps mitigate these temperature extremes and reduces the penetration of cold on days and nights when temperatures are very cold. Without snow,

the ground can freeze more deeply. Plants that were produced in containers and installed last year can heave out of the ground because of the freeze-thaw cycles that can occur in late winter and early spring in this climate. Think of the snow as mulch for your garden in addition to creating a beautiful winter scene.

Snow can damage plants. The weight of heavy, wet snow on branches can split or break them and can cause plants such as arborvitae to fall or be uprooted. It is best to carefully remove snow from plants that may be damaged during a heavy snowstorm right away because once the snow is frozen on the plant, it is best to let it melt off. One of my evergreen shrubs was almost completely flattened by snow last winter and recovered just fine once the snow melted.

Removing snow that has frozen on a plant can cause a lot of damage as you try to chip it off. If you have plants that have been damaged by snow and ice, there is not much you can do now other than prune any branches that are a safety hazard. Some shrubs may be completely covered by a deep snowfall, and there is

no need to dig them out. Let nature take its course in these situations.

Shoveling snow onto shrubs can cause branches to break from the weight. Try to avoid piling snow laden with salt from ice-melting products onto your garden beds.

Snow provides cover for animals such as voles that tunnel under the snow and make trails that become visible in the lawn after the snow melts. The resulting damage to a home lawn is generally not a big issue and easy to fix. They also feed on the bark of plants.

Rabbits and deer feed on trees and shrubs during the winter, so monitor your garden for tracks and signs of their feeding. As the snow piles up, the rabbits will be able to reach higher into shrubs to feed and cause more damage than when there is no snow cover. Install netting to protect plants if you start seeing damage. Repellents may be applied when temperatures are above freezing long enough for them to dry on the plant.

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As days grow longer, your garden is starting to notice

BY BETH BOTTS
Chicago Tribune

If you're a gardener — or a groundhog — you may have noticed something different about these winter days: They're gradually growing longer. Groundhog Day, Feb. 2, roughly halfway to spring, will be about 22 minutes longer than the shortest day of winter back on Dec. 21.

Changes in when and how the sun shines are major factors in the yearly growth of trees and other plants, according to Jessica Turner-Skoff, who specializes in science outreach as treeologist at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle. "Plants depend on the sun for energy," she said. "Depending on the species, the amount of sunlight a plant receives can greatly influence how it grows."

There's more to sunlight than the length of the days. That's because the angle of the sun — relative to us — changes throughout the year.

In summer, when the sun is highest in the sky, it's most direct and therefore most intense. In spring, when the angle is lower, the earth's atmosphere insulates against the sun's rays, so the ground and air warm only gradually as the days grow longer. In autumn, the insulation of the atmosphere retains warmth even as the sun sinks lower in the sky and the days grow shorter. Although daylight lasts about as long Sept. 21 as it did March 20, the normal high temperature is about 25 degrees warmer.

On every day of the year, plants face a different combination of day length, sunlight angle and temperature. Every plant has its own light requirements.

"Some plants, such as river birch, need direct and intense sunlight to thrive," Turner-Skoff said. "Other plants, such as Japanese



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maples, are commonly found in the understory of the forest, so they may only need shorter periods of sunlight or indirect sun."

In any yard, different areas get more sunlight at different times in the growing season. The shadows of trees and buildings shift. "If you're a gardener, you have to really watch your yard all through the season to figure out where your areas of sun and shade are," Turner-Skoff said.

During winter, when days in Chicago are short, the sun is low, and the warmth of September is long gone, most plants don't even try to grow. Trees and shrubs are dormant, waiting for spring. Other plants have died back to the ground, leaving only their roots alive, protected by soil. Some survive only as seeds.

When the days are gradually growing longer, the sun is also rising in the sky. Its more direct rays warm the air and, eventually, the earth.

Yet winter weather is

tricky and fickle. February is often colder in Chicago than January. Warm spells and sudden freezes can occur at any time. If a tree flowers or opens its leaves too early, they may be damaged by frost. If a plant is late in leafing or blooming, it won't take full advantage of the sunlight to grow and reproduce.

That's why trees don't trust the lengthening days as their only alarm clock. They have evolved a variety of different strategies to decide when to wake. For example, many trees and shrubs will only break their dormancy after a certain amount of chilling — time spent between 32 and 45 degrees.

When all the signals are right, they unfurl their leaves into the sun.

For tree and plant advice, contact the Arboretum's Plant Clinic (630-719-2424 or plantadvice@mortonarb.org).

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Mind local regulations when drilling well

BY TIM CARTER
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Q: I live in a big city and am tired of the chlorinated and polluted water that flows through the city water mains. Is it possible to have my own well water like people out in the country have? How does water get into wells and what are the downsides to having your own well, if there are any?

A: I grew up in a big city in Ohio whose primary water supply was the Ohio River. Any number of chemical factories and giant sewage treatment plants were upstream from my city. The outflow from the sewage treatment plants is disgorged daily into the Ohio River and flowed toward the water plant intake pipes of my hometown.

Growing up, I had no idea about all of this and grew accustomed to the taste and smell of the chlorine in the water.

Ten years ago I moved from that city to a rural part of New Hampshire, where I have my own water well. Each house for miles around me has its own private water well. We have natural springs in several towns near me with water spouts and filling platforms. People bring giant 10-gallon containers and fill them with this natural, pure water. When I go back to my old city to visit friends, I take my own water with me to drink because the chlorinated water coming from the



TIM CARTER PHOTO

A mobile well-drilling rig features a giant tower that folds down parallel with the ground as it travels on roadways.

faucets is now revolting to me.

You probably can drill your own well on your property. You, of course, would have to contact your local building department to see if there are any regulations that must be followed. Some states and cities may still charge you for the water that's pulled from your land, but that's a debate for another day.

Water is under the surface of the ground in almost all locations on the planet Earth. My college degree is in geology, and I focused on hydrogeology, the study of groundwater. The bedrock that's under the soil cover almost always has cracks

and seams in it. Gravity pulls rainwater into this network of interconnected cracks.

It's important to realize that some locations and valleys are filled with hundreds of feet of sandy gravel. These underground deposits are like giant underground lakes filled with delicious pure water — so pure that bottled water companies locate their plants above these gravel deposits and suck the water out of the ground and put it into bottles that you pay a hefty price for. A water-bottling plant is located just 15 miles from my current house and it extracts tens of thousands

of gallons of water from the bedrock each day.

The issue is it's not all unicorns and rainbows when it comes to drilled wells in a densely populated area. Industrial pollution from years before could have introduced toxic chemicals that still linger in the groundwater.

Nearby property owners may routinely treat their lawns with toxic weedkillers and unnatural chemicals to have the perfect green lawn. Common sense dictates that these chemicals may leach down into the groundwater. If this happens, your well water could be dangerous to drink.

Drilling a water well can also be expensive. Well drillers commonly charge by the foot and they need to drill down far enough until the well produces a minimum of three to five gallons of water per minute is achieved. Ten or 15 gallons is preferred. If you're lucky, you'll get 80 gallons per minute.

The trouble is that in many locations well drilling is mostly chance. I'm reminded of the scenes in the famous 1948 Cary Grant movie "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House" when the honest well driller couldn't get enough water flow after drilling many many feet into the bedrock. He then moved his rig just a few feet away and hit a massive amount of water in no time at all. If you're lucky and strike a plentiful supply of naturally pure water on your land, you'll marvel at the taste of the clear elixir!

Q: I'm in a bind. I won't name names to protect the guilty, but my gorgeous hardwood floor got scratched. Some of the scratches are just in the clear finish but are visible. Other scratches are deep and extend into the hardwood. I can't fathom removing all the furniture to have the floors refinished. Can these scratches be repaired and if so, how?

A: I've got good news for you. Scratches in hardwood floors can be repaired. You don't have to refinish the floors to restore them to

their former luster and shine.

There are numerous DIY methods for disguising shallow scratches that are in the clear coat finish. The method I've had the most success with is shoe polish of all things! You can get the paste shoe polish in different colors. One of the colors may be a perfect match or you may have to blend colors to get the exact color you need.

I use a cotton swab and just try to put a tiny spot of the polish on the scratch. Always start with a color that's lighter than your current floor color. It's easy to go darker, but tough to reverse the process. Once you get the perfect match, apply and allow the polish to dry. Use other cotton swabs to apply a protective coat of clear urethane over the shoe polish. Be sure to match the same sheen as you currently have on your floor.

Deep scratches require the services of a professional. In almost all cities and large towns, you can discover true artisans that do furniture repair. The top furniture sellers in a city or town use these people all the time. The craftsmen have a magic box they bring to your home with a tiny alcohol lamp, hard lacquers, and other colored materials. They can fill the deep scratches in your hardwood floor, create matching grain and puff onto the floor an aerosol mist such that you'll never know the floor was ever scratched.

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New year, new home, new choices draw homebuyers

If your New Year's resolutions include looking for a new home, you may want to investigate some new communities and new phases in already popular new home communities. These new offerings could help you make the ideal home buying decision in 2019.

Shodeen Homes

This regional home builder based in Geneva, is offering several attractive new possibilities for 2019. Among these new offerings is Prairie Centre in St. Charles.

This walkable mixed-use development at Route 38 (Lincoln Highway) and Randall Road, on the former St. Charles Mall site is a 27-acre, \$100 million development. It will include 670 residential units and up to 116,000 square feet of commercial space when complete. Due to its size, it will be developed in phases. The first of the residential buildings is under construction, with first residents expected to move in at the end of 2019.

This first residential building is a three-story elevator design, with 96 one- and two-bedroom luxury apartments with underground heated parking and secured entry systems.

Prairie Centre will also include six mixed-use buildings with first-floor office, retail and restaurant space with underground and street parking. The design for Prairie Centre has been several years in the planning stages, and will have landscaped courtyards, ponds and other water features.

"Interest in both the apartments and commercial spaces has already been brisk, and Prairie Centre is expected to appeal to both empty-nesters and Millennials. A senior housing component called Anthony Place is also planned," says Anna Harmon, director of marketing and public relations.

Also planned for a late spring/summer groundbreaking is The Reserve at Hudson Crossing in downtown Oswego. The Reserve at Hudson Crossing will be a community of luxury apartments, retail, restaurant and office space located in the village's downtown core, next to the riverfront park.

The Reserve will include 280 luxury apartments, 10,100 square feet of new restaurants and shops along Washington Street.

The design is elegant, with a streetscape

of benches and lighting, plus two levels of public parking that will create 440 spaces for residents and downtown shoppers.

Those buyers who are interested in popular Elburn Station will want to visit and learn about the opening of a new phase of 112 larger homesites to accommodate three-car attached garages. Deposits/contracts are being taken, with an estimated move-in date of October, 2019.

Located on the east side of the 505-acre master-planned community within walking distance of the Elburn Metra train station, the new sites will accommodate homes in the Crossings and Settlements Series. Both ranch and two-story open concept designs range from 1,547 to 2,688 square feet with two to four bedrooms, two or 2½ baths, island kitchens, spacious family rooms, luxury master baths and basements.

Elburn Station offers the advantage of being an AT&T Fiber™ community where each home has its own 1,000 Mbps connection ideal for multiple users and telecommuting.

In addition, a new phase of 28 homesites is under construction at Norton Lake in Campton Hills, west of St. Charles. The scenic sites have lake and pond views as well as vistas of trees. Norton Lake takes its name from the 10-acre spring-fed lake, as well as trails, parks and lush landscaping. Luxury home designs include open concept ranch and two-story plans as well as a two-story home with first-floor master bedroom.

Toll Brothers

Toll Brothers has just released a new phase at Bowes Creek Country Club in Elgin, featuring its Executive and Estate level single-family home collections.

The popular master-planned community features homes situated around the award-winning Rick Jacobsen-designed golf course, and the resort-class community offers walking trails, community parks and Porter's Pub, an on-site restaurant and bar.

"Sites overlooking the golf course, pond



Courtesy of Toll Brothers

New home communities and new phases give homebuyers more choices for the new year.



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The Palmento model with a three-car garage is offered at Elburn Station.

views and a nature preserve are available," says Jennifer Mencias, sales director, Chicago Division. "In addition, two new ranch designs, the Binghamton and Stamford, are being introduced in this phase."

Starting at 1,713-square-feet, these open concept ranch plans have 10-foot ceilings, two to three bedrooms, two to four baths, full basements, foyers with tray ceilings, gourmet kitchens with breakfast areas plus formal dining rooms, attractive family rooms, and master bedrooms with walk-in closets and private baths. The Stamford, priced from \$344,995, has French door entries to the master suite and study. The

Binghamton, priced from \$362,995, has a tray ceiling in the master bedroom and a Princess suite.

Many options are available to personalize the homes including sun rooms in lieu of covered porches, guest suites, expanded rooms and garages, fireplaces, volume ceilings, wood flooring and much more.

William Ryan Homes

With a grand opening coming soon, Savannah in Lakemoor is the newest offering of William Ryan Homes. Pre-construction sales and pricing is now available.

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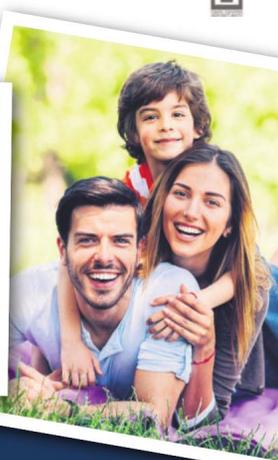
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Toll Brothers offers sales event

Toll Brothers, the nation's leading builder of luxury homes, is set to kick-off its new Built-For-You Sales Event running Saturday, Jan. 26 through Sunday, Feb. 18, at communities in Batavia, Elgin and Barrington.

"The Built-For-You Sales Event is offered nationwide and invites buyers to visit a Toll Brothers' community and share their wish list for building the home of their dreams with one of our sales consultants who will then customize a package for them based on their priorities," says Jennifer Olsen, national vice president of sales. "Making the home buying experience personal has always been the guiding principle for Toll Brothers, from our wide selection of homes to our extensive design options, and this event allows buyers to tailor a package and save on what matters most to them in a new home."

During the Built-For-You Sales Event, homebuyers can browse an expansive selection of home designs, and discover the impressive list of national brand partners offering select savings on products featured in Toll Brothers homes. Buyers will benefit from the builder's long-standing partnerships with leading brands such as Kohler, Whirlpool, Armstrong, DalTile, and many more, by enjoying



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A team of talented consultants is available at one of 29 Design Studio locations across the country to provide one-on-one home design guidance through the selection process. Security and home control solutions are also available through TBI Smart Home Solutions.

Interested buyers must make a deposit between Jan. 26 and Feb. 18, 2019. Incentives vary among communities and will comprise a package of savings created specifically for this event, so buyers should contact their community of interest and speak with a sales representative to learn more. The sales centers are open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. To learn more about the Toll Brothers' Built-For-You Sales Event, call 844-838-5263 or visit tollbrothers.com/IL.

Elburn Station new phase begins

A new phase of 112 homesites is underway at Elburn Station, a Shodeen Homes' 505-acre master-planned community within walking distance of the Elburn Metra train station in Elburn.

Just west of Randall Road, Elburn Station features three distinct series of home plans, including maintenance-free detached single-family Village homes and traditional ranch and two-story designs in the Settlements and Crossings Series.

"Affordable new construction within walking distance of the train and served by highly-respected Kaneland District 302 schools have led to brisk sales since our model grand opening in May," says Anna Harmon, director of marketing and public relations for Shodeen Homes. "The new phase of larger home sites has been released in order to meet buyer demand and these sites, on the east side of the community, can also accommodate more three-car garages, which is a must for many buyers. We are taking deposits for the new phase with anticipated move-in dates starting in October."

Homes designs in both the Crossings and Settlements Series will be offered in



Homes are available for quick move-in at Elburn Station offered by Shodeen Homes.

the new phase. These ranch and two-story open concept floor plans range from 1,547 to 2,688 square feet in size with 2 to 4 bedrooms, two or 2½ baths, chef-pleasing island kitchens, spacious family rooms, master bedroom suites with private luxury baths, flex rooms, basements and more.

"Prices will increase in the new phase but there are still opportunities to own a new home in the existing phase," Harmon says. "Homes are available for quick move-in in each of the series and some enjoy special savings through January."

The Elburn Station sales center is located west of Randall Road at the corner of Anderson Road and Elizabeth Street. Call 630-232-8181 or visit shodeenhomes.com.

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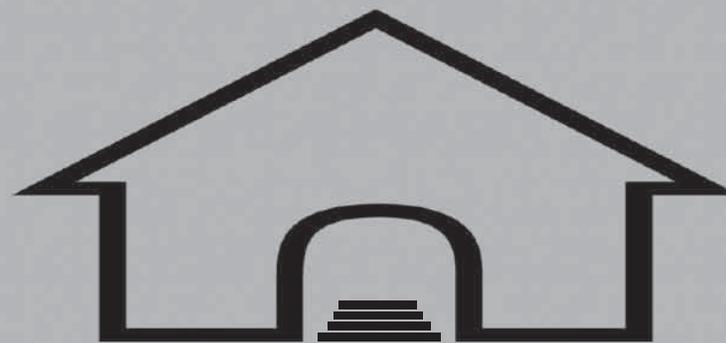
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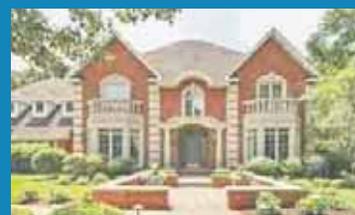
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