



## Trump scraps nuclear arms treaty

President says 1987 pact is an obstacle to compete with a resurgent Russia and assertive China today

BY DEB RIECHMANN, ROBERT BURNS AND MATTHEW LEE  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is pulling the plug on a decades-old nuclear arms treaty with Russia, lifting what it sees as unreasonable constraints on competing with a resurgent Russia and a more assertive China. The move announced Friday sets the stage for delicate talks with U.S. allies over potential new American missile deployments.

In explaining his decision, which he had foreshadowed months ago, President Donald Trump accused Moscow of violating the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces treaty with “impunity” by deploying banned missiles. Moscow denies it is in violation and has accused Washington of resisting its efforts to resolve the dispute.

Democrats in Congress and some arms control advocates criticized Trump’s decision as opening the door to an arms race.

“The U.S. threat to terminate the treaty will not bring Russia

back into compliance and could unleash a dangerous and costly new missile competition between the United States and Russia in Europe and beyond,” the private Arms Control Association said. It argued that Washington had not exhausted options for drawing Russia back into compliance.

Trump said in a statement that the U.S. will “move forward” with developing its own military response options to Russia’s banned deployment of cruise missiles that could target western Europe.

“We cannot be the only country in the world unilaterally bound by this treaty, or any other,” Trump

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Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said Friday that the United States has often addressed Russia’s noncompliance with the 1987 INF Treaty.



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An ice jam blocks the Kankakee River near Wilmington on Friday. To break it, warm water is being siphoned from the adjacent Dresden Nuclear Power Station cooling pond.

## Ice jam means river of concern

7-mile stretch on Kankakee hikes worries about flood, evacuation

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS  
Chicago Tribune

A 7-mile-long ice jam on the Kankakee River near Wilmington has prompted first responders to go door to door, urging residents to prepare for quick evacuation in the event of flash flooding.

“If this does happen, it will happen very, very quickly,” Wilmington police Chief Phillip Arnold said Friday. “So we’re trying to get people prepared to act on a moment’s notice if the



Brandon Rossiter, from left, Jarrod Briscoe, Jeff Meyer and Matt Farley walk on the Kankakee River ice jam.

time comes.”

The monstrous frozen formation stretches east and west of Interstate 55, with the build-up of ice so high it almost touches the bottom of the I-55

bridge over the river.

Low-lying areas near the water already have experienced some flooding, according to

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City turns up the heat, takes landlords to court

More than 20 face violations in wake of polar vortex

BY ELVIA MALAGON AND CECILIA REYES  
Chicago Tribune

As the coldest weather in decades gripped Chicago this week, a family with five children in Englewood went without heat in their apartment. In the South Shore neighborhood, a 5-year-old dispute over who should pay for a broken boiler meant an apartment building didn’t

■ **How cold was it?** At 52 hours, this week’s cold stretch was Chicago’s 4th-longest stint below zero on record. **Page 4**

have heat. And in South Austin, a building that recently switched owners lacked both water and heat as the polar vortex swept through.

Those cases were among six that led to emergency action by the city to restore heat to tenants during a 52-hour period of subzero

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## Foxconn reverses Wis. plan after Trump call

Company plans to proceed with smaller manufacturing facility

BY SCOTT BAUER  
Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Foxconn Technology Group has shifted its stated strategy yet again Friday for a massive Wisconsin campus, crediting a conversation with President Donald Trump for cementing plans to proceed with building a factory to make high-tech liquid display screens.

The news capped a week of

confusion about Foxconn’s plans in Wisconsin.

The company announced in 2017 it planned to invest \$10 billion in the state and hire 13,000 to build an LCD factory to make screens for televisions and other devices.

The company last year said it was reducing the scale of what was to be made in Wisconsin, from a Gen 10 factory to Gen 6.

But this week, even that was thrown into question when Foxconn executive Louis Woo said it couldn’t compete in the television

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China-based Foxconn has sown confusion this week with conflicting statements about plans for a facility in Wisconsin.

### CHICAGO SPORTS

Story of missing Super Bowl ring has happy ending

A Super Bowl ring is the most coveted prize in the nation’s most popular sport. The Rams and Patriots will battle Sunday for the right to wear the newest one. There are lots of stories about rings disappearing for one reason or another. Some might be gone forever. One — which belonging to Bears great Walter Payton — was lost, but a college student’s honesty assured Payton’s family of getting it back.



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CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

YouTube singer Austin Jones, shown in 2017, pleaded guilty Friday to coercing six underage female fans to send him sexually explicit videos and attempting to do the same with as many as 30 others.

## Internet star pleads guilty to child pornography charge

Jones, 26, faces 5 years in prison

BY JASON MEISNER  
Chicago Tribune

Internet pop artist Austin Jones faces at least five years in federal prison after pleading guilty Friday to coercing six underage female fans to send him sexually explicit videos and attempting to do the same with as many as 30 other victims.

Jones, 26, from west suburban Bloomingdale, entered the plea to one count of child pornography during a hearing before U.S. District Judge John Lee. Prosecutors asked that he be taken immediately into custody until he's sentenced, but the judge said he would allow Jones to remain free on bail so he can continue to seek psychiatric counseling.

Jones' lawyer said his client has only recently begun dealing with traumatic events in his life — including suffering sexual abuse himself at the hands of a

relative and the sudden death of his younger brother.

Jones' original songs and covers of popular teen artists have earned him a huge online following. His YouTube channel has more than 500,000 subscribers, and some of his videos have received more than 1 million views.

Jones, dressed in a black suit, kept his hands clasped in front of him during the hearing and answered in a soft voice when the judge asked him if he understood his rights.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Katherine Neff Welsh said Jones faces a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison and a maximum of 20 years. Sentencing was set for May 3.

Jones admitted in a 27-page plea agreement that he had online conversations with six 14- and 15-year-old girls from 2010 to 2017. In the conversations — which took place over Facebook messenger and Apple chat — Jones encouraged the girls to send him sexually

explicit videos of themselves, including dozens of images of them performing graphic sexual acts, according to the plea deal.

In many instances, Jones told the girls he had "modeling opportunities" for them or that he wanted them to prove they were his "biggest fan," according to the plea agreement. He also instructed several girls to "talk about their age" while they performed sex acts for him.

In 2016, Jones told one 14-year-old girl in a Facebook chat that she was "so lucky" to have his attention. He then told her to remove her underwear, prosecutors alleged in a criminal complaint filed in 2017. "I'm just trying to help you!" Jones wrote, according to the complaint. "I know you're trying your hardest to prove you're my biggest fan. And I don't want to have to find someone else."

Jones' plea deal made clear that many of the girls were hesitant as Jones asked them to perform increasingly explicit dances.

One said she "might have to finish tomorrow" because she had to be up early for school. Another told him she'd resorted to "cutting" herself over the ordeal, according to the plea.

Jones was arrested on the federal charges two years after being caught up in a social media firestorm over accusations that he had young fans send him inappropriate videos of themselves "twerking," a suggestive dance move made famous by pop star Miley Cyrus.

After Jones was blasted online, he posted a lengthy YouTube video apologizing to the girls he'd asked to send videos, although he claimed the videos never crossed any sexual lines.

"I shouldn't have asked you to do that ... it was foolish of me," Jones said in the 16-minute video posted in June 2015. "But there were never any nudes, never any physical contact. It never happened."

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## Pritzker appoints new heads for beleaguered agencies

BY DAN PETRELLA  
Chicago Tribune

Gov. J.B. Pritzker on Thursday appointed new heads for two state agencies that came under scrutiny during the previous administration for their handling of a deadly outbreak of Legionnaires' disease at a veterans home in downstate Quincy.

Pritzker appointed the medical director of the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, Dr. Ngozi Ezike, to head the Illinois Department of Public Health. And Army veteran Jaime Martinez was picked to lead the state Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Under previous Gov. Bruce Rauner, both agencies faced widespread criticism and legislative hearings after WBEZ-FM 91.5 reported the administration delayed notifying the public and families of residents at the Illinois Veterans Home in Quincy of a 2015 outbreak of Legionella bacteria.

Since then, 14 people have died and 70 others have been sickened at the facility, which opened in 1886. Ezike, a board-certified internist and pediatrician, earned her medical degree

at the University of California at San Diego. In her role as head of the Public Health Department, Ezike would oversee regulation of facets of the state's medical marijuana program at a time

when Pritzker is pushing for legalization of recreational pot.

Martinez is executive director of Illinois Joining Forces, a nonprofit organization serving veterans. He has a law degree from George Mason University and previously served as general counsel to the state Veterans' Affairs Department.



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Pritzker also appointed five people to serve on the University of Illinois board of trustees: Kareem Dale, senior counsel at Discover Financial Services; Donald Edwards, founder and CEO of private equity firm Flexpoint Ford; Ricardo Estrada, CEO of Metropolitan Family Services; Patricia Brown Holmes, a managing partner at law firm Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila; and former Democratic state Rep. Naomi Jakobsson of Urbana.

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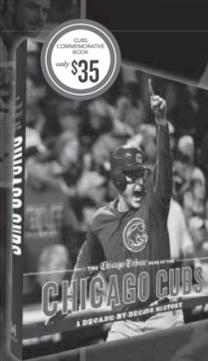
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Chicago Teachers Union educators at four Chicago International Charter School campuses pressed ahead with plans to carry out a Tuesday strike, after rejecting a contract offer.

## Charter teachers nix proposal

Union educators plan to go on strike Tuesday

BY JUAN PEREZ JR.  
Chicago Tribune

Educators at four Chicago International Charter School campuses are pressing ahead with plans to strike Tuesday after rejecting proposed contract terms their union leaders described as inadequate.

The Chicago Teachers Union said charter managers had offered a “significant step” on teacher pay. However, educators opposed smaller proposed salary increases for classroom aides, and the two sides had not agreed on staffing levels for counselors and social workers.

A final negotiating session is scheduled Friday, though the two sides could extend talks through the weekend and early next week.

Educators at Wrightwood Elementary School, Ellison High School, Northtown Academy High School and ChicagoQuest High School have been bargaining with Civitas Education Partners, which manages those four CICS campuses. Teachers said they would go on strike without a deal, affecting about 2,200 students.

“Our conversations at the table have been productive, but there just hasn’t been enough movement,” said Jen Conant, who chairs a bargaining unit that represents four CICS campuses.

“The proposals have asked us to sacrifice our colleagues and our services to our students,” Conant said early Friday during a picket at Wrightwood Elementary. “To me, that means we are still really far

apart.” LeeAndra Khan, CEO of Civitas Education, said Friday that both sides were still negotiating over the number of students who would be assigned to counselors and social workers.

“We’re going back and forth around a number,” Khan said. “Their job is to give us the lowest number possible, our job is to give them a number we know we can sustain and afford.”

“We don’t want any counselor to be overloaded,” Khan said. “That’s our goal, we also want to be able to properly staff schools. So we can’t have a ratio that makes it hard for us to be able to put teachers in place if our ratio is too big.”

Union leaders argue that CICS charter managers would pay for educator salary increases by reducing counselor and social worker staffing ratios, while contending CICS has ample money to pay for the union’s staffing demands.

“They made clear their increased compensation proposals would be funded by cutting other positions in the school, including our counselors and social workers,” Conant said. “We think that’s unacceptable. We know CICS has the money to provide both for staff and students.”

Charter leaders, however, say they need to negotiate a financially sustainable deal.

“We work in an industry where new revenue is not generated,” Khan said. “You cannot keep increasing the cost of doing business, knowing there is no increase in revenue to the business. The more something costs, the more things have to be cut, and obviously we don’t want to cut services to our schools.”

If there is a strike, it would not affect thousands of students who attend 10 other CICS campuses. The charter network’s campuses are operated by five independent “school management organizations” that use taxpayer dollars to finance their day-to-day operations.

CICS has said it would keep the four affected campuses open and on normal schedules throughout any strike, but after-school and extra-curricular activities would be canceled.

Principals and nonunion staff would help keep operations running, including what the network has described as “online learning, recreational and arts activities.”

Last year, the Chicago Teachers Union merged with a division of unionized charter educators and has since pressed for working conditions at the independently operated schools that are similar to those at traditional Chicago public schools.

Charter teachers work under contracts negotiated with each charter operator. They can bargain over issues that state law excludes from negotiations with teachers at traditional schools in Chicago. They also have broader flexibility to call strikes.

A strike by CICS teachers would mark the second time charter teachers have walked off the job in Chicago.

Hundreds of educators at the Acero charter school network went on strike for four school days last year before settling a contract that secured higher pay and smaller class sizes.

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## Price tag for public housing lawsuit revealed

CHA paid more than \$8M to lawyers of residents who sued agency in discrimination case that’s dragged for more than 50 years

BY LOLLY BOWEAN  
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago law firm that litigated the longest-running housing discrimination lawsuit in the country, representing a group of low-income black public housing residents, was paid nearly \$8.5 million in legal fees by the Chicago Housing Authority over the course of 51 years, newly released information reveals.

The advocacy group Business and Professional People for the Public Interest, or BPI, which handled the lawsuit, was paid \$4.2 million from the start of the case in the 1960s to 2002, records provided by CHA show. The firm collected another \$4.2 million related to the landmark case between 2003 and 2016, the most recent figures available.

But while the public housing agency reports that it has spent more than \$9 million on legal fees related to the case — the CHA was obliged to pay not just its own legal costs but those of the residents who sued it — those figures represent only a fraction of the public money spent to hash out the landmark housing discrimination case in court.

The so-called Gautreaux case, filed in 1966 on behalf of community organizer Dorothy Gautreaux and other public housing residents, sought to end systemic racial discrimination in Chicago’s public housing. The lawsuit accused CHA with discrimination by concentrating poor black residents in high-rises in segregated communities and not allowing them the opportunity to move into public housing in white neighborhoods.

The case, which went all the way to the Supreme Court, never sought payment for the class represented. Instead, it was a tool to essentially force the housing agency to allow black residents access to public housing complexes throughout the city, said Alexander Polikoff, the lead attorney with BPI who has worked on the case for decades.

Over time, the litigation changed the face of public housing and led to the creation of scattered-site complexes. It also helped shape how the housing choice voucher program could be used to help residents relocate from lower-income neighborhoods to more affluent areas where they could access jobs and better schools for their children.

But it took decades to see progress, Polikoff said. “For 25 years, after a judgment order was entered, we were fighting CHA to do what it was ordered to do,” Polikoff said. “Since the mid-1990s, when CHA started creating mixed-income communities, they were much more cooperative. The development of mixed-income communities had been a major litigating activity.”

The legal fees paid to BPI were court-approved. It is common in civil rights cases for the defendant, in this case CHA, to be ordered to pay for the plaintiff’s attorney costs.

“This suit has been going on for 50 years. Every time there is a motion or anything going on in court, that adds to the attorneys’ fees,” said Michael Seng, a law professor at John Marshall Law School and co-executive director of the Fair Housing Legal Support Center. “Normally, the judge will determine a reasonable hourly rate ... the question is, what is reasonable?”

Seng, who did not work on the Gautreaux case, said it’s difficult to judge whether the millions of public dollars spent were reasonable or exorbitant. “The problem with this case is trying to find one that’s comparable,” he said. “It’s a pretty unique case.”

In January, Mayor Rahm Emanuel and CHA CEO Eu-

*“The lawsuit, from the beginning, was about stopping these wrongful practices. But then, what took 50 years was remedying the effects.”*  
— Alexander Polikoff

gene Jones announced that they had reached a settlement agreement with BPI attorneys that would bring an end to the case.

Under that agreement, CHA has promised to continue developing scattered-site housing, engage in discussions on how to improve the voucher mobility program, provide a detailed schedule to complete its mixed-income housing complexes and create early learning childhood development programs at four existing public housing developments.

But before the settlement could be approved by U.S. District Judge Marvin Aspen, a public hearing was held so that residents could voice their opinions on the matter.

For some, the settlement agreement was celebrated because it meant the agency had taken steps to ensure there are residents living in nearly every neighborhood in the city. Those residents applauded the agency’s mobility program, which provides support and financial incentives for residents to move to neighborhoods where the schools are ranked higher and there is closer proximity to jobs and job training programs.

But some CHA residents who spoke against the settlement also raised concerns that developers, real estate agents, consultants and attorneys have earned millions from the housing agency through the years, while poor and vulnerable residents still face rampant discrimination and struggle to secure housing.

According to CHA’s own figures, the majority of housing choice voucher holders remain concentrated in poor neighborhoods on the South and West sides of the city.

Although some are critical of the costs of the long case, Polikoff said it’s more than reasonable.

“In a case that lasted as this one has, over 50 years, the \$8 million amounted to a pittance for thousands and thousands of hours attorneys spent litigating the case,” Polikoff said. “It’s a small-minded and mean-spirited look at the settlement deal to say the lawyers were paid a minimal amount of fees based on the hours spent. The class (of people represented) should be pleased that the lawyers were paid. And pleased that it led to the development of mixed-income developments.”

According to its records, CHA paid its own attorneys more than \$250,000 between 2004 and 2018 to handle the case. Last year, the agency paid Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila \$285,000 for its role in settling the landmark case. The agency did not provide figures for how much it paid attorneys before 2004. The rates for CHA lawyers are different because they are in-house, salaried employees, officials said.

If CHA keeps all of its promises in the settlement, the historic case will end in 2024.

“The lawsuit, was about stopping these wrongful practices,” Polikoff said. “But then, what took 50 years was remedying the effects.”

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## American Lung Association: State needs to do more to cut tobacco, e-cigarette use

BY DAWN RHODES  
Chicago Tribune

Illinois leaders are not doing enough to reduce statewide tobacco use, according to a new study by the American Lung Association, blaming the failures on overly lenient state laws and insufficient funding.

The report, “State of Tobacco Control,” is the 17th edition evaluating the effectiveness of state and federal policies governing tobacco use and prevention.

The association gave Illinois failing grades in funding for smoking cessation and prevention programs, tobacco taxation and access to existing quit-smoking services.

Illinois also got an F for keeping the minimum age to buy all tobacco products at 18, including e-cigarettes, although the majority of states “failed” this category, according to the study. The association advocates making 21 the minimum age to buy tobacco and supported a legislative effort last year to change the law in Illinois.

Then-Gov. Bruce Rauner vetoed that legislation, which also would have fined retailers for selling to underage customers. Rauner said the bill only would encourage locals to buy products across state lines or from unlicensed vendors.

Lawmakers in the Illinois House failed to override him in November. Legislators in both chambers resurrected the idea this week, introducing new bills to increase the age to 21.

“Tobacco 21” would significantly reduce youth tobacco use, slow the e-cigarette epidemic and save thousands of lives,” Kathy Drea, a staff lobbyist from the lung association, said in a statement.

Jordan Abudayyeh, a spokes-

woman for Gov. J.B. Pritzker, who took office in January, told WGN-TV that the governor “looks forward to reviewing the legislation” but did not indicate whether he supports that specific legislation.

The city of Chicago, by contrast, has outpaced the state in enacting laws to stymie tobacco use, according to the association. Chicago raised the age requirement for purchases to 21 in 2016.

Other communities such as Naperville, Evanston, Aurora and Oak Park also have passed similar laws in recent years. Lake County became the first to enact a county-wide 21-and-up law in 2018.

The association gave Illinois high marks on ensuring smoke-free environments, such as prohibiting smoking in government and private workplaces, as well as inside bars, restaurants, casinos, retail stores and cultural establishments.

An inability or unwillingness to enact more stringent controls over tobacco use has contributed to major spikes in e-cigarette use among youths and young adults, even as overall rates for adult and youth smoking have plummeted to near all-time lows, the association concluded.

The proportion of U.S. high school students using electronic cigarettes jumped between 2017 and 2018, from 11.7 percent to 20.8 percent, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

About 1.5 percent of high school students used e-cigarettes in 2011. By 2018, nearly 21 percent of high schoolers used them, according to CDC figures.

Recent research, including a study published Friday by the Journal of the American Medical Association, found that e-cigarette use as a youth increases the chances

of future cigarette use.

Researchers said that youths they studied who used e-cigarettes as their first tobacco product were three to four times more likely to use cigarettes later.

That suggests that “the proportion of smoking attributable to e-cigarettes may be larger than the proportion attributable to all other products combined,” researchers wrote.

Cracking down on youth tobacco use has been a favored issue for Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel in recent years.

A year after the 21-and-up law took effect, city officials said revenue from tobacco taxes dropped and local enforcement wrote hundreds of citations to stores selling to minors.

In addition to boosting the minimum age to buy from 18 to 21, Emanuel also has ushered in myriad new taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.

Buying cigarettes in Chicago tacks on more than \$6 per pack in city, county and state taxes, according to the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids.

More recently, the outgoing mayor has focused his ire on regulating e-cigarettes sales, particularly to youths and young adults.

Emanuel successfully passed an ordinance last spring requiring tobacco retailers to post signs listing the dangers of vaping as well as a hotline phone number to call for help with quitting.

The Emanuel administration also sued online e-cigarette dealers in November, arguing they are illegally selling the products to underage Chicagoans.

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Two people brave a walk along Promontory Point in Chicago on Thursday during a brutal two-day-plus stretch of subzero cold.

# The weather? Accentuate the positive

At 52 hours, cold spell was Chicago's 4th-longest stint below zero on record

BY TONY BRISCOE  
Chicago Tribune

After 52 consecutive hours of subzero weather, Chicago temperatures climbed into positive territory early Friday, according to the National Weather Service.

About 6 p.m. Tuesday, temperatures dropped below zero as the swirl of bitterly cold Arctic air known as polar vortex descended on the Midwest. Temperatures

didn't rise above zero until about midnight Thursday, according to weather service meteorologist Todd Kluber.

This week's stretch of subzero cold not only outlasted a 37-hour stint during the polar vortex in January 2014, it also ranks as the fourth-longest such streak on record, Kluber said.

The longest period of subzero temperatures on record started on Dec. 22, 1983, and persisted for 98

hours.

"The coldest part (of the polar vortex) almost moved directly over us and that helped the longevity of our subzero temperatures," Kluber said.

At the height of this week's Arctic intrusion Wednesday, the warmest temperature recorded at O'Hare International Airport was minus 10 degrees while the low of 23 below zero was the lowest temperature since 1985.

"This has been a fairly historic event," Kluber said. "Wednesday was one of coldest days on record."

While Thursday's temperatures were a tad more tolerable, with a low of minus 21 and high of 1 degree, the prevailing cold snap took a terrible toll on one of Chicago's most vulnerable populations. Exposure to the cold was determined to be the cause or contributing factor in the deaths of two seniors found Thursday in Chicago, according to the Cook

County medical examiner's office.

A 92-year-old man died of cardiovascular disease and hypothermia in the 9400 block of South Parnell Avenue in the Brainerd neighborhood on the Far South Side. A 73-year-old woman died of cold exposure in the 2900 block of North Meade Avenue in the Belmont Central neighborhood on the Northwest Side.

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## Kankakee ice jam causes flood worries

River, from Page 1

police in Wilmington, a city in Will County about 60 miles southwest of downtown Chicago.

Earlier this week, police, fire and other emergency services personnel visited parts of the community as well as unincorporated areas to advise the public about the potentially dangerous river conditions. Several agencies also met and developed an action plan for possible flooding, Arnold said.

The ice jam — chunks of ice accumulating to block a river's downstream flow — formed during recent subzero weather, but it is expected to thaw soon with high temperatures in the 40s and 50s forecast for Sunday and Monday. The warmer weather, combined with potential rain, could spur water levels that threaten "safety, evacuations and subsequent damage to property," according to a police news release.

The National Weather Service has issued a flood warning for the Kankakee River that extends from the Wilmington area to near Interstate 65 in northwest Indiana, though ice jam flooding tends to be very localized and does not affect all spots along a river like a

typical river flood.

There are no other flood warnings or advisories in the Chicago area, though the weather service will be watching a few trouble spots over the weekend, including smaller ice jams in the Des Plaines River near the western suburb of Riverside, said Scott Lincoln, senior service hydrologist with the National Weather Service.

"We're monitoring, but that isn't an imminent concern for flooding," he said.

In the Wilmington area, to help break up the ice, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency said warm water siphoned from the Dresden Nuclear Power Station cooling pond is being diverted to the Kankakee River.

"They're trying to warm up those ice jams and get them to flow and go down river, to get the water flowing and stop it from backing up," Arnold said. "They're trying basically to create a channel through the ice."

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers developed that strategy in the early 1990s to combat the giant floes of ice that tend to form along the river during the winter. However, the cooling pond water wasn't as warm as usual because



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Ice on the Kankakee River is jammed up near houses near Wilmington on Friday. The ice jam stretches for 7 miles and raises flood concerns.

of the recent Arctic-like weather, so the ice isn't melting as quickly as it typically would, the police chief said.

Wilmington resident Liz Buza said locals have grown used to warnings of river flooding, though she doesn't believe her home would be in peril because it's a ways from the river.

"As for the flooding, it happens," she said. "When we get entirely too much rain or too much ice, it's to be expected. People just need to be smart about it and take caution when you come up on water on the roads or other areas."

In 1985, Wilmington-area residents had to flee their homes as the river swelled, spewing massive chunks of ice over its banks.

"When you live and work on the river, you expect nature and flooding, but we never expected a glacier in Illinois," the owner of a local marina, which was crushed by ice, told the Tribune at the time.

"The fog was so thick we couldn't see what was happening. But we could hear the wooden piers splintering."

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## Company will go with plant that's smaller

Foxconn, from Page 1

screen market and would not be making LCD panels in Wisconsin.

But on Friday, in yet another twist, Foxconn said after discussions with the White House and a personal conversation between Trump and Foxconn Chairman Terry Gou, it plans to proceed with the smaller manufacturing facility.

"Great news on Foxconn in Wisconsin after my conversation with Terry Gou!" Trump tweeted. Wisconsin's new Democratic governor criticized the company Friday for its flip-flopping.

"There's no limit, frankly, to skepticism if the messaging isn't coherent," Gov. Tony Evers said.

"I'm comfortable that they're still committed to the state. They're committed to this Generation 6 technology, but that doesn't mean that we (won't) encourage them to be more transparent and consistent in their messaging."

The latest Foxconn statement did not say whether the commitment to this size factory would affect the type of workers who would be employed in Wisconsin.

## Landlords face penalties for not supplying sufficient heat

Heat, from Page 1

weather this week. While the city confronts landlords for failure to adequately heat rental properties every winter, this was the first time city officials stepped in to restore heat without first going through a judge in court, according to Bill McCaffrey, a spokesman with the city's law department.

In three of the six emergency cases, repairs were completed by Friday morning, McCaffrey said. In the three other cases, repairs had yet to be completed, McCaffrey said.

Heat-related complaints led to a busy Friday in Judge Patrice Ball-Reed's courtroom in the Daley Center, where more than 20 landlords had been summoned by the city because of complaints of insufficient heat at their properties. Many of the complaints were from this week's cold snap, though some were from earlier this winter.

During daily news conferences about the cold snap, city officials

warned landlords about an ordinance that requires them to keep temperatures in rental units at 68 degrees during daytime hours and 66 degrees at night. The city deployed 25 to 35 inspectors — more than usual — to check out heat complaints during the cold snap, according to the Buildings Department.

"Your systems are going to be taxed and it's your responsibility to be out there and be proactive and address issues before they begin so that you don't see yourself in Circuit Court," said department Commissioner Judy Frydland.

On Wednesday and Thursday, the coldest days of the week, at least 600 people complained about heat issues through the city's 311 system, according to data compiled by the Tribune.

When temperatures Thursday dipped to minus 21 degrees, about 12 people were calling the city every hour. The Buildings Department made 706 heat inspections on Wednesday and Thursday, said Gregg Cunningham, spokesman

for the department. In about a dozen cases, inspectors could not gain entry to the affected unit, according to the city's data.

On Friday, Judge Ball-Reed's courtroom was packed with landlords, property managers and their attorneys. Before court was in session, Steven Q. McKenzie, an attorney with the city, was visibly upset as he discussed some of the cases in court.

"I absolutely feel for the people who have suffered in 25 to 40 degree weather in their house," McKenzie said in an interview after the court session. "If you don't have that compassion, I don't think this is the job for you. And I want those people to know that government is here and this city is here to make sure you are safe."

As each case was called, a city inspector detailed the problems found at the properties. At one building, temperatures were in the 50s, in another building there was flooding caused by burst pipes, and in another building inspectors found the temperature

in some common areas was a chilling 17 degrees.

In most of the cases, the city filed petitions for a court-appointed receiver to make the repairs necessary to restore heat, McKenzie said.

In one case, a receiver was appointed during Friday's court call. If the landlords who appeared in court Friday don't make repairs by a second hearing, which can be anywhere from a week to a month, a receiver will be appointed to the case, McKenzie said.

"The vast majority of owners, once brought into court, find a very good reason to get into compliance," McKenzie said. "They are facing possible receivership and fines, the only way out of it is to actually take proactive measures at that point to get this repaired."

The six emergency cases all involved two-flat buildings, where heating issues can be fixed relatively quickly. Problems in larger buildings with more complicated heating systems often

take longer to solve, McKenzie said.

In one of the emergency cases, the landlord of a building on the city's Southwest Side told Ball-Reed that the heating problem had been repaired. An inspector will return to the property to make a check of the unit, and the landlord was ordered to return to court Feb. 7.

In the emergency case from the Englewood neighborhood, heat was restored but the property still has to undergo repairs for frozen pipes. Ball-Reed ordered the parties to return to court Feb. 21. Thomas McCaffrey, listed as a defendant in the city's petition, appeared in court to inquire about how much repairs the city made cost. The city did not yet have a total.

"What the city is doing is good because someone was without heat in the second-worst cold wave the city's ever seen, I guess," McCaffrey said.

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## Trump Jr.'s calls weren't to father

Investigators say business associates were on the line

BY TOM HAMBURGER  
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WASHINGTON — For more than a year, congressional Democrats have pushed to unlock a mystery they said could reveal whether Donald Trump had advance knowledge of a meeting his eldest son had in the summer of 2016 with a Russian lawyer promising damaging material about Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton.

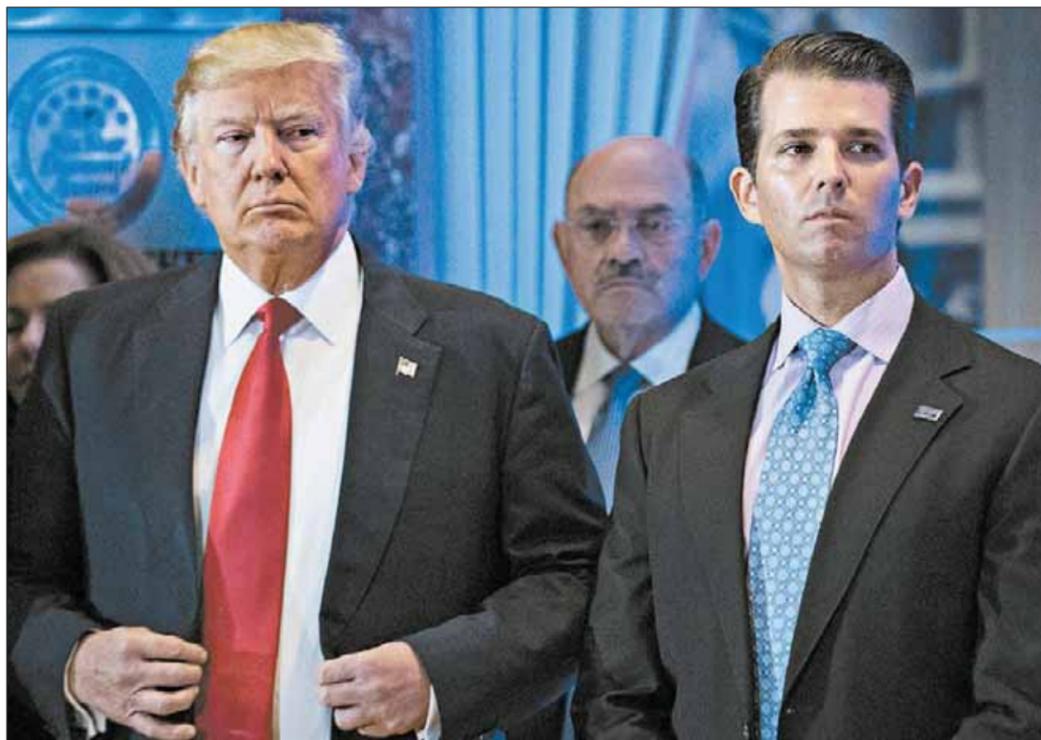
The key, they said, was to determine who was using blocked telephone numbers to speak to Donald Trump Jr. before and after the meeting in Trump Tower, suggesting he may have communicated with his father on a private line.

But Senate investigators have concluded the blocked calls were conversations between Trump Jr. and two longtime business associates: Howard Lorber, a real estate investor who has done business in Russia, and Brian France, the chief executive of NASCAR, according to two people familiar with the determination.

The findings were first reported by CNN and ABC News.

France did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

A spokesman for Lorber said Friday that the real estate magnate “does not recall conversations with Donald Trump Jr. in the summer of 2016,” adding that Lorber never discussed “any Russian matters” with



President Donald Trump has long denied knowing about the 2016 Trump Tower gathering attended by Trump Jr.

the president's son.

Lorber is a longtime friend of the elder Trump, and the two went to Moscow in 1996 to scout for a real estate deal that never materialized, according to people familiar with the visit. The trip helped spur Trump's interest in seeking other ways over the years to build a tower in Moscow.

President Trump has long denied he knew about the Trump Tower gathering in 2016, which was attended by Trump Jr., his brother-in-law Jared Kushner and Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort.

At the meeting, Trump Jr. was expecting a Russian lawyer linked to the Kremlin to share dirt on Clinton, he later told Congress, but she instead pressed him on a U.S. law levying sanctions on Russia for human rights abuses.

The president and his allies seized on conclusions by congressional investigators, saying the findings undercut Democratic efforts to raise questions about links between Trump and Russia's interference in the 2016 campaign.

“The big deal, very mysterious Don jr telephone

calls, after the innocent Trump Tower meeting, that the media & Dems said were made to his father (me), were just conclusively found NOT to be made to me. ... Really sad,” the president tweeted late Thursday.

“This Witch Hunt must end!” he added.

In his own tweet, Trump Jr. wrote: “More of the Democrat's #fakenews narrative disappearing before their eyes. I wonder how many more false leaks will pop now to keep their dreams alive???”

Trump Jr. told the Senate Judiciary Committee in

2017 that his father had no knowledge of the June 2016 meeting with the Russians.

Democrats, led by Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., who now chairs the House intelligence committee, were skeptical of Trump Jr.'s account, noting that his first explanations of the meetings were misleading.

In a July 8, 2017, statement to The New York Times, Trump Jr., said meeting participants “primarily discussed a program about the adoption of Russian children.” The statement did not mention that he was promised damaging

information about Clinton — or that Trump Jr. had responded enthusiastically to the offer.

“If it's what you say I love it,” he wrote in an email to an associate who offered to set up the meeting.

Democrats raised questions about phone calls made by Trump Jr. on June 6, 2016, that they thought might show that Trump's son informed his father about the meeting in advance.

At 4:04 p.m. that day, phone records show, Emin Agalarov, a wealthy Russian who helped arrange the meeting, called Trump Jr.

Phone records show Trump Jr. called Agalarov at 4:31 p.m. Between those two calls, phone records show that Trump Jr. was connected with a blocked phone number.

Trump Jr. told the Senate Judiciary Committee that he did not remember whom he spoke with at that time, but others testified at the time that his father uses a blocked line.

Democratic members of the House intelligence committee pushed for information on the blocked numbers for more than a year. But House Republicans rebuffed efforts to subpoena the phone records, according to Schiff.

Schiff told MSNBC that he would continue his efforts to “find out who Don Jr. was talking to about that meeting at Trump Tower.”

“Those conversations could have taken place over the phone, or they could have taken place by Don Jr. walking down the hall to talk to his dad,” he added Thursday.

## NEWS BRIEFING

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### N.J. Sen. Cory Booker joins the Dems' 2020 presidential race

WASHINGTON — Sen. Cory Booker of New Jersey said Friday that he will seek the Democratic nomination for president, adding his name to a growing and increasingly diversified field of 2020 candidates intent on taking on President Trump.

Booker made his announcement via an email and video to supporters.

“I believe that we can build a country where no one is forgotten, no one is left behind... where we see

the faces of our leaders on television and feel pride, not shame,” he said.

Booker, 49, joins a race occupied by three other senators — Kamala Harris of California, Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts and Kirsten Gillibrand of New York — as well as several other candidates.

His decision did not come as a surprise. Booker has been traveling to early-voting states for months, teasing his eventual entrance.

### Hong Kong makes a record seizure of pangolin scales, ivory

HONG KONG — Hong Kong customs officers have intercepted a record 8.3 tons of pangolin scales and hundreds of elephant tusks worth more than \$8 million combined, underscoring the threat to endangered species from demand in Asia.

Acting on a tip from mainland Chinese authorities, local officials found the haul in mid-January in a refrigerated container labeled as frozen meat

from Nigeria, officials said Friday. Police arrested two people in connection with the seizure.

It was the largest-ever seizure of pangolin scales in Hong Kong, representing the product of some 14,000 animals, and one of the largest of ivory in a decade, the officials said. Scales of the anteater-like pangolin have for centuries been highly valued in traditional Chinese medicine.

### Avenatti won't face charges in domestic violence incident

LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles prosecutors said Friday that they have declined to charge attorney Michael Avenatti with misdemeanor domestic violence but will hold hearings on the allegations.

Actress Mareli Miniutti got a restraining order against Avenatti in November after accusing him of dragging her by the arm across a bedroom floor of his apartment following

an argument. Avenatti, who represents porn actress Stormy Daniels in her lawsuits against President Donald Trump, denies the allegations and said on Twitter that the prosecutors' decision vindicates him.

A spokesman for the city attorney said charges of spousal abuse or battery could be brought after informal hearings for Miniutti and Avenatti to present their cases.



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**A funeral procession** Friday in Seoul, South Korea, honors Kim Bok-dong, a sex slave for Japanese troops in World War II. Kim, who died Monday at age 92, had regularly led rallies pressing Japan to fully acknowledge the suffering of so-called comfort women.

### Report: Militants on rampage kill at least 60 in Nigerian town

DAKAR, Senegal — Boko Haram has killed at least 60 people in a “devastating” attack on the northeastern Nigeria border town of Rann earlier this week, Amnesty International said Friday, calling it one of the deadliest assaults by the extremist group in its nearly decadelong insurgency.

Fighters on motorcycles drove through the town near the Cameroon border on Monday morning, setting houses on fire and killing people left behind, the international rights group said in a series of Twitter posts. The fighters

also chased residents fleeing the “massive attack” and killed several outside town.

Amnesty published satellite imagery that it said showed “hundreds of burned structures.” Many likely served as shelters for displaced people who had arrived in recent months seeking protection. Most of Rann is “now destroyed,” the group said.

The attack came as Nigeria faces what it has called an extremist resurgence, posing a serious challenge for President Muhammadu Buhari as he seeks re-election in two

weeks' time. His administration once claimed Boko Haram had been “crushed” or “technically defeated,” while the military has faced questions over low morale and support.

Witnesses told Amnesty that soldiers had left their posts the day before the attack. There was no immediate military statement. But a new report Friday by the United Nations noted the “recent withdrawal” of the Multinational Joint Task Force, a regional counterterrorism entity, after its fighters secured the town following a mid-January attack.

### President defends troop pullout after Senate rebuke

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump pushed back Friday on Senate Republicans, who voted overwhelmingly the previous day for a measure that rebuked his rationale for withdrawing U.S. troops from Syria and Afghanistan.

In morning tweets, Trump said that the moves were consistent with a campaign promise to withdraw from “Endless Wars” that have resulted in “unlimited spending and death” and argued that under his leadership the Islamic State had been all but destroyed.

Trump's tweets came a day after the vast majority of Senate Republicans backed Majority Leader Mitch McConnell in voting for a measure that declared the Islamic State's presence and activity in both Syria and Afghanistan continue to pose a serious threat.

**Temblor:** A strong earthquake jolted southern Mexico on Friday, swaying tall buildings hundreds of miles away in the capital, but there were no reports of serious damage, injuries or deaths. The U.S. Geological Survey said the magnitude 6.6 quake was centered 10 miles from Tapachula in Chiapas state.

### Cherokee Nation: Warren apologized to chief

WASHINGTON — Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., has apologized to Cherokee Nation after releasing DNA test results in October indicating she had Native American ancestry, a tribe spokeswoman said Friday.

The apology was made Thursday in a phone call to

tribe Chief Bill John Baker, Cherokee Nation spokeswoman Julie Hubbard confirmed Friday.

Warren is expected to run for the Democratic Party's 2020 presidential nomination. Her campaign could not be reached Thursday afternoon to confirm the apology.

The move to release results of a DNA test was intended to quell backlash against her claims of Native American heritage but instead resulted in even more mockery.

Cherokee Nation condemned Warren for appearing to define ethnicity through a test.

**U.S.-Mexico border:** An experimental U.S. policy that requires migrants to wait in Mexico while their asylum claims are processed will soon expand to multiple border cities and apply to migrant families, Homeland Security officials said Friday. The new measures were implemented this week at the San Ysidro, Calif., crossing.

# Critics fear move may fuel new arms race

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said. Other officials said the treaty could still be saved if Russia reverses course and returns to compliance, but that window of opportunity will close in six months when the American withdrawal is due to take effect.

The Trump decision reflects his administration's view that the arms treaty was an unacceptable obstacle to more forcefully confronting not only Russia but also China. China's military has grown mightily since the treaty was signed, and the pact has prevented the U.S. from deploying weapons to counter some of those being developed in Beijing.

Leaving the INF pact, however, risks aggravating relations with European allies, who share the administration's view that Russia is violating the treaty but who have not endorsed a U.S. withdrawal.

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, speaking to reporters after Trump's statement, said Russia will be formally notified Saturday that the U.S. is withdrawing

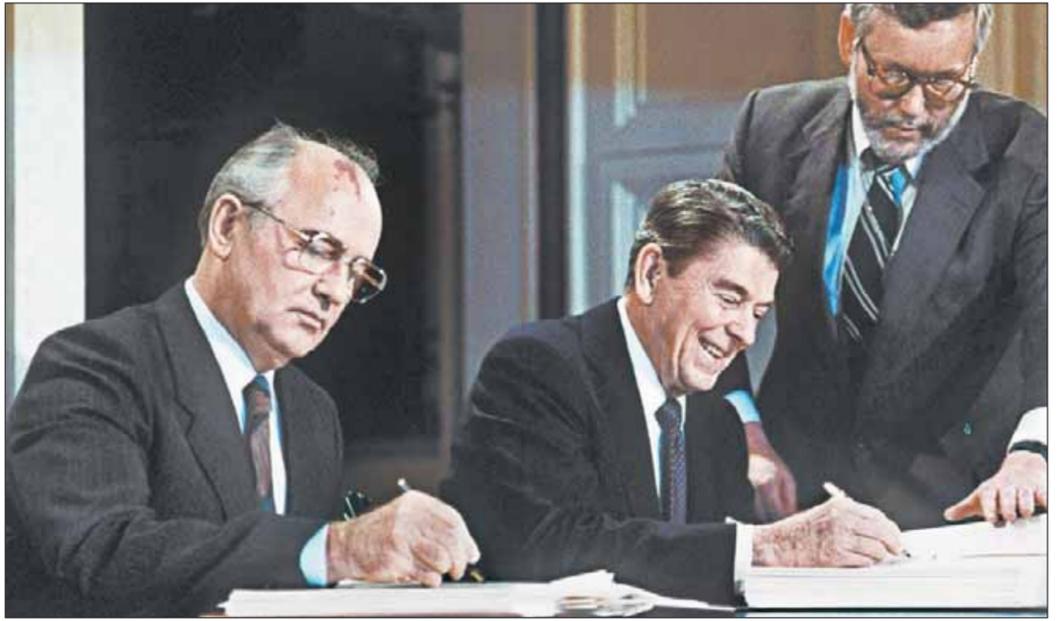
from the treaty, effective in six months. In the meantime, starting Saturday, the U.S. will suspend its obligations under the treaty.

Pompeo said that if, in the coming six months, Russia accepts U.S. demands that it verifiably destroy the cruise missiles that Washington claims are a violation, then the treaty can be saved. If it does not, "the treaty terminates," he said.

Administration officials have dismissed concerns that the treaty's demise could trigger a race to develop and deploy more intermediate-range missiles. U.S. officials have emphasized their fear that China, which is not party to the treaty, is gaining a significant military advantage in Asia by deploying large numbers of missiles with ranges beyond the treaty's limit. Whether the U.S. will now respond by deploying INF noncompliant missiles in Asia is unclear.

In any case, it seems unlikely Beijing would agree to any negotiated limits on its weaponry.

Russia accused the U.S. of unilaterally seeking to



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Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, left, and President Ronald Reagan sign the INF Treaty with both countries eliminating intermediate- and short-range nuclear missiles. President Trump moved to scuttle the nearly 32-year-old pact Friday.

neuter the treaty.

"I 'congratulate' the whole world; the United States has taken another step toward its destruction today," said Konstantin Kosachev, head of the foreign affairs committee in Russia's upper house of parliament.

INF was the first arms control measure to ban an entire class of weapons: ground-launched cruise missiles with a range of 310 miles to 3,400 miles. At the time, in the late stages of the Cold War, the U.S. and its

allies were mainly concerned by the perceived threat of Russian medium-range nuclear missiles that were targeted at Europe. The U.S. deployed similar missiles in response, in the 1980s, leading to negotiations that produced the INF Treaty.

Rep. Adam Smith, a Washington state Democrat and new chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, blasted Trump for raising the risk of nuclear war.

"The administration's

ideological aversion to arms control as a tool for advancing national security is endangering our safety, as well as that of our allies and partners," Smith said. "The risk of miscalculation or misunderstanding is already higher than at any point since the end of the Cold War, and this decision only makes it worse."

U.S. officials say they have little reason to think Moscow will change its stance in the next six months.

"We have raised Russia's

noncompliance with Russian officials — including at the highest levels of government — more than 30 times," Pompeo said.

Jens Stoltenberg, the NATO secretary-general, said in an interview Friday that Russia can still save the treaty.

"We have started to assess the consequences, look into options," Stoltenberg said. "We need to make sure that we respond as an alliance, all 29 allies, because all allies are involved and all allies are affected."

Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam's page in the 1984 Eastern Virginia Medical School yearbook shows one person in blackface and another in a KKK costume. He apologized for wearing a costume "that is clearly racist and offensive."



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## Va. governor apologizes for racist image

BY ALAN SUDERMAN  
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam's page in his 1984 medical school yearbook contains a photo of a person in blackface and another wearing a Ku Klux Klan hood next to different pictures of the governor.

The photo shows two people looking at the camera — one in blackface wearing a hat, bow tie and plaid pants; the other in white Klan robes. It's un-

clear who the people in the picture are, but the rest of the half-page shows photos of Northam beneath his name.

In a statement issued late Friday, Northam apologized for wearing a costume "that is clearly racist and offensive." The Democratic governor did not say if he was the man in blackface or Klan robes.

"I am deeply sorry for the decision I made to appear as



Northam

I did in this photo and for the hurt that decision caused then and now," he said. "This behavior is not in keeping with who I am today and the values I have fought for throughout my career in the military, in medicine, and in public service.

"But I want to be clear, I understand how this decision shakes Virginians' faith in that commitment."

Republican state Sen. Bryce Reeves said in a statement that Northam should resign if the reports of the photos are accurate.

"I hope that this picture is inaccurate and that the Governor brings clarity to this issue. This has no place in Virginia," Reeves said.

If Northam were to resign, Lt. Gov. Justin Fairfax, who is African-American, would assume the governor's office.

The Washington Post contributed.

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LOCAL 73,

Plaintiffs,

Case No. 2015 CH 14869

v.

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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## U.S. added 304,000 jobs despite shutdown

BY CHRISTOPHER RUGABER  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. employers shrugged off last month's partial shutdown of the government and engaged in a burst of hiring in January, adding 304,000 jobs, the most in nearly a year.

The healthy gain the government reported Friday illustrated the job market's resilience nearly a decade into the economic expansion. The U.S. has now added jobs for 100 consecutive months, the longest such period on record.

The unemployment rate rose in January to 4 percent from 3.9 percent, the Labor Department said, but mostly for a technical

reason: The number of people counted as temporarily unemployed jumped 175,000, with most of that number consisting of federal workers and contractors affected by the shutdown.

The government Friday also sharply revised down its estimates of job growth in November and December. Still, hiring has accelerated since last summer, a development that has surprised economists because hiring typically slows when unemployment is so low.

"The overwhelming conclusion from today's numbers is that the U.S. labor market remained incredibly strong at the start of 2019," said Leslie Preston, senior

economist at TD Economics.

Diane Swonk, chief economist at Grant Thornton, said many federal workers and contractors likely went out and found part-time work during the 35-day shutdown. The ability of many of them to do so is itself a sign of the job market's strength, Swonk said.

Last month's gain assuages some concerns that had arisen about the U.S. economy. Global growth is weakening, the Trump administration is engaged in a trade war with China and higher mortgage rates have slowed home sales. Those factors have led many economists to forecast slower growth this year compared with 2018.

Yet strong hiring should boost household incomes, fueling more consumer spending, which would help drive economic growth.

Most sectors of the economy reported solid hiring gains in January. Education and health care added 55,000 jobs, retailers nearly 21,000 and professional and business services, which includes such higher-paying positions as engineers and architects, 30,000.

The ongoing demand for workers is leading some businesses to offer higher pay to attract and keep staff. Average hourly wages rose 3.2 percent in January from a year earlier. That's just below the annual gain of 3.3 percent in

December, which matched October and November for the fastest increase since April 2009.

On a monthly basis, from December to January, wages barely rose, though. That's likely to keep the Federal Reserve unlikely to raise interest rates in the coming months, economists said.

Chairman Jerome Powell said earlier this week that the case for raising the Fed's benchmark rate had weakened.

Many economists and investors took that as a sign that a rate increase is unlikely any time in the coming months.

Swonk cautioned that some quirks likely inflated last month's job gain.

## Canadian developer pays \$38M for Greyhound's bus facility



RYAN ORI  
On Real Estate

A Canadian real estate firm has paid \$38 million for a Greyhound bus maintenance facility on Goose Island, reviving a deal that once seemed dead because of affordable housing rules.

The sale sets the table for yet another huge development along a formerly manufacturing-heavy corridor on the Chicago River. It also could mean the North Side island, mostly known for factories and warehouses, will have residents for the first time in decades.

Vancouver, B.C.-based Onni Group on Thursday completed the \$38 million deal for the 8-acre site on Halsted Street at the southern tip of Goose Island, Jones Lang LaSalle broker Tom Kirshbraun confirmed.

Kirshbraun and JLL's Dan Reynolds represented Greyhound

in the sale. Greyhound will move its bus repair operation to a new facility it plans to build on the South Side.

The finalized Goose Island deal is a huge price cut from the approximately \$50 million Onni Group last year agreed to pay, when it planned to demolish the Greyhound structure and build about 1,000 residential units on the site.

That deal disintegrated several months later, after a dispute with Ald. Walter Burnett, 27th, according to published reports.

The site is in a pilot area of the city's Affordable Requirement Ordinance where 20 percent of the units in a residential development must be priced for low- and moderate-income residents. In other parts of the city, 10 percent of units must be affordable.

Onni wanted to build 10 percent of the required affordable units on-site, and pay an in-lieu fee toward creating the additional affordable units elsewhere within 2 miles of the Goose Island site. But Burnett said in an interview Friday that he told the developer that all 20 percent of the units

needed to be on-site, an aspect of the ordinance that he saw as non-negotiable.

Having a larger percentage of affordable units on a site decreases the expected rental revenue of a site, making such projects far more difficult to finance.

After finding out Burnett wouldn't budge on the affordable requirement of the site, Onni backed out of the purchase but then revived it for a much lower price, according to people familiar with the deal.

It's unclear how much Onni Group's plans for the site may have changed. It's possible the firm could build other types of space, such as offices and retail, and a smaller number of homes. Doing so would decrease the financial impact of setting aside 20 percent of the housing units at lower rents.

Burnett said Onni Group has not shown him specific plans for the Goose Island site, and he's unsure how much housing is now envisioned there.

"My whole thing was, if I'm going to take these properties out of the (planned manufacturing

district), everybody's going to have to do 20 percent affordable on-site," Burnett said. "I told Onni I'm not changing. They've got to do the affordable."

"It's a good thing. They still get to make a lot of money on the property and the community gets more affordable housing."

Onni Group executive Dan Bell could not immediately be reached for comment.

Putting any residents on Goose Island would be a major change for the gritty island once known as "Little Hell."

Major land use changes recently enacted by the city for the 3.7-mile industrial corridor along the river north of downtown included opening the southern tip of the island to residential development, long taboo in that area and others designated as planned manufacturing districts.

The city's new development rules along the North Branch of the river have opened the door to several huge projects. That includes broadcast company Tribune Media's nearby 37-acre, where it plans a mixed-use development called the River District,

and Sterling Bay's \$6 billion development plan north of there along Lincoln Park and Bucktown, called Lincoln Yards. Chicago developer R2 plans several office developments on and around Goose Island.

The Greyhound site is just across the river from one of biggest office buildings in Chicago, the Group headquarters at 600 W. Chicago Ave.

The Greyhound site is mostly at 901 N. Halsted St., but it also includes a smaller parcel across the street at 904 N. Halsted St. The land had been on the market for sale since January 2017.

Greyhound on Aug. 20 paid \$5.3 million for an 8-acre site at 3940 S. Normal Ave., in the Canaryville neighborhood, where the Dallas-based bus line plans to build a new bus maintenance facility, the Tribune previously reported.

A Greyhound spokeswoman was not immediately able to confirm when the company plans to build and complete that facility.

Greyhound can stay in its current Goose Island facility for up to two years, paying rent to Onni Group.

### MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 25,193.15 Low: 24,982.49 Previous: 24,999.67



**Nasdaq**  
-17.87 (-.25%)  
Close: 7,263.87  
High: 7,299.94  
Low: 7,243.41  
Previous: 7,281.74

**S&P 500**  
+2.43 (+.09%)  
Close: 2,706.53  
High: 2,716.66  
Low: 2,696.88  
Previous: 2,704.10

**Russell 2000**  
+2.63 (+.18%)  
Close: 1,502.05  
High: 1,504.51  
Low: 1,495.47  
Previous: 1,499.42

**10-yr T-note**  
+0.06  
to 2.69%

**Gold futures**  
-2.80  
to \$1,316.90

**Yen**  
+0.62  
to 109.51/\$1

**Euro**  
-0.0013  
to .8725/\$1

**Crude Oil**  
+1.47  
to \$55.26

### Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+1.32	+1.38	+1.57	+6.96	+7.79	+6.90	-1.79	+0.32	-2.01

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Mar 19 515.75	526.50	515.25	524.25	+7.75
			May 19 521.50	530.25	520.50	528.25	+6.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Mar 19 376.50	380.75	376.50	378.25	+1.75
			May 19 385.25	389	385	387	+2
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Mar 19 921	931.25	917	917.75	+2.50
			May 19 935.50	945	931	931.50	+2.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs-	cents per lb	Mar 19 30.39	30.62	29.81	29.89	-.28
			May 19 30.68	30.89	30.12	30.21	-.27
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons-	dollars per ton	Mar 19 310.00	317.40	310.00	311.80	+1.80
			May 19 314.50	321.30	314.40	315.80	+1.80
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl-	dollars per bbl.	Mar 19 54.01	55.66	53.37	55.26	+1.47
			Apr 19 54.44	55.92	53.64	55.55	+1.51
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's,	\$ per mm btu	Mar 19 2.832	2.850	2.730	2.734	-0.80
			Apr 19 2.789	2.792	2.695	2.699	-0.06
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons-	dollars per gallon	Mar 19 1.3860	1.4398	1.3749	1.4369	+0.053
			Apr 19 1.5858	1.6380	1.5765	1.6348	+0.0524

Source: The Associated Press

### LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	72.36	-.62	Equity Lifestyle Prop	N	105.67	-.21
AbbVie Inc	N	80.50	+21	Equity Residential	N	72.02	-.54
Allstate Corp	N	88.82	+95	Exelon Corp	N	47.46	-.30
Aptargroup Inc	N	99.55	+43	First Indl RT	N	32.85	+13
Arch Dan Mid	N	44.89	-.01	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	44.90	-.40
Baxter Intl	N	72.13	-.36	Gallagher AJ	N	76.88	+2.17
Boeing Co	N	387.43	+1.81	Grainger WW	N	292.48	-.29
Brunswick Corp	N	48.26	-2.06	GrubHub Inc	N	80.13	-.27
CBOE Global Markets	N	94.05	+7.8	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	100.07	+0.5
CDK Global Inc	O	48.96	+0.5	IDEX Corp	N	138.07	+2.1
CDW Corp	O	83.55	+2.8	ITW	N	134.43	-2.88
CF Industries	N	43.50	-.15	Ingredion Inc	N	98.49	-.51
CME Group	O	183.44	+1.16	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	143.50	+0.9
CNA Financial	N	46.34	+4.8	Kemper Corp	N	75.94	+7.6
Caterpillar Inc	N	130.91	-2.25	Kraft Heinz Co	O	47.76	-.30
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	21.40	-.24	LKQ Corporation	O	26.43	+2.1
Deere Co	N	163.88	-.12	Littelfuse Inc	O	180.37	+4.65
Discover Fin Svcs	N	68.40	+9.1	MB Financial	O	44.43	+0.5
Dover Corp	N	87.61	-.22	McDonalds Corp	N	176.72	-2.06
Equity Commonwlt	N	32.09	-.27	Middleby Corp	O	120.42	+2.80

### MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	10.19	+0.03
Bank of America	28.38	-0.09
Weatherford Intl Ltd	.77	+1.13
Chesapeake Engy	2.84	+0.01
Nokia Corp	6.13	-.22
AT&T Inc	30.00	-.06
Ford Motor	8.72	-.08
Aurora Cannabis Inc	9.62	+8.8
Aphria Inc	12.57	+1.3
Vale SA	42.88	+4.3
Pfizer Inc	6.88	-.05
EnCana Corp	.75	-.05
Rite Aid Corp	11.51	-.13
Freeport McMoran	4.93	+1.2
Ambev S.A.	75.92	+2.64
Exxon Mobil Corp	6.91	+2.3
Snap Inc A	48.91	-.03
Wells Fargo & Co	53.47	-.34
Dow DuPont Inc	48.70	-.57
CocaCola Co	33.19	-.37
Twitter Inc	49.89	+5.2
Brist Myr Sqb	63.67	-.34
Citigroup	2.94	-.01

### LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	167.97	-.52
Alphabet Inc C	1110.75	-5.62
Alphabet Inc A	1118.62	-7.27
Amazon.com Inc	1626.23	-92.50
Apple Inc	166.52	-.08
Bank of America	28.38	-.09
Berkshire Hath B	209.19	+3.65
Exxon Mobil Corp	75.92	+2.64
Facebook Inc	165.71	-.98
JPMorgan Chase	103.88	+.38
Johnson & Johnson	134.20	+1.12
Microsoft Corp	102.78	-1.65
Pfizer Inc	42.88	+4.3
Procter & Gamble	97.47	+1.00
Royal Dutch Shell B	63.75	+.95
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.84	+1.11
Unitedhealth Group	268.72	-1.48
Visa Inc	140.15	+5.14
WalMart Strs	93.86	-1.97

### TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	2.35	2.35
6-month disc	2.40	2.39
2-year	2.49	2.45
10-year	2.69	2.63
30-year	3.03	3.00

### SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1316.90	\$1319.70
Silver	\$15,880	\$16,022
Platinum	\$826.70	\$824.70

### INTEREST RATES

	CLOSE	PREV.
Prime Rate	5.50	
Discount Rate Primary	3.00	
Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50	
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.58	

### FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys...	
Argentina (Peso)	37.1720
Australia (Dollar)	1.3792
Brazil (Real)	3.6570
Britain (Pound)	7.6449
Canada (Dollar)	1.3088
China (Yuan)	6.7449
Euro	.8725
India (Rupee)	71.475
Israel (Shekel)	3.6376
Japan (Yen)	109.51
Mexico (Peso)	19.1210
Poland (Zloty)	3.74
So. Korea (Won)	1119.56
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.78
Thailand (Baht)	31.30

### LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets				
FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN	
American Funds AMCPA m	30.17	+0.3	-1.3	
American Funds AMRCnBA m	26.08	-0.1	-9	
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	54.90	...	-9.3	
American Funds CptlncBlrdA m	58.64	+0.2	-5.7	
American Funds FdmtInvSA m	56.48	+0.6	-4.6	
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	46.72	-0.5	-1.6	
American Funds IncAmrcA m	21.54	+0.5	-3.7	
American Funds InvCAMrcA m	35.99	...	-6.4	
American Funds NwPrsptvCA m	40.79	-0.2	-4.8	
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	43.66	+1.4	-1.9	
DFA EMktCorEq	20.79	-0.3	-14.4	
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.45	-0.1	+1.7	
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	39.94	-1.1	-16.8	
Dodge & Cox Stk	188.08	+5.6	+4.6	
DoubleLine TtlRetBdl	10.42	+0.3	+3.1	
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	94.18	+1.0	-2.2	

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## EDITORIALS

### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

#### Chicagoland residents leaving

I'm a 30-year-old father of two daughters who represent our family's seventh generation of Chicago-area residents. This is the only place we've lived since our ancestors set foot in America as dirt-poor Polish laborers in the 1880s — and we're leaving. My father is from Harvey, my mother from Oak Park, and these towns represent the extremes of the Chicagoland experience. The former has become an economic desert on the verge of bankruptcy, and the latter still affords good schools and services, albeit at unaffordable costs.

I grew up in the western suburbs, was blessed to attend St. Ignatius for high school, met and still keep dear friends from all over the city and suburbs. I knew after four years of college out East there was nowhere I wanted to live but home.

My wife and I rented on the North Side but wanted to buy a home, so we chose Beverly four years ago. I still believe Beverly to represent the best of what Chicago is, but since our mortgage cost has already increased, crime has gone up citywide, and the fiscal woes facing the city and state have no end in sight ... it's time to go. We're moving to Minnesota, which has many cultural similarities, except it possesses a reasonably well-functioning government.

— Doug Deering, Chicago

#### Transgender people, patriotism

Regarding the discrimination of transgender people as it relates to the military: As a country that relies on volunteers to join the armed forces, it is beyond folly to discriminate against patriots who seek to defend their country. Banning transgender people from joining the military lessens the available pool of personnel — for purely hateful and ignorant reasons. It is blatant and despicable discrimination. The idea that transgender people disrupt unit cohesion was the same argument made against desegregating the military and is purely a red herring.

The argument that their care costs more because of hormones and gender reassignment surgery is false. Much more money is spent on erectile dysfunction medicine.

There is no reasonable basis for banning these patriots.

— Elizabeth Igoe, Chicago

#### Put away childish things

It was my job when I was young to sort empty pop bottles before returning them to the store for money. I also polished dress shoes for my dad and me. If I forgot, I heard from Dad. My default excuse was "I can't help it, it wasn't my fault, I didn't mean to," delivered with hand-in-the-cookie-jar guilt.

A neighbor I rode bikes with innocently remarked that her racer had good hand brakes. I insisted that my coaster brakes were better, so we pedaled a few feet and slammed on our brakes at the same time. She stopped instantly while I skidded a few more feet. I had an excuse for that too.

Children are expected to be immature. Most grow out of it. In all fairness, I was 8 years old then — not president of the United States.

President Donald Trump's staunchest supporters will point to how much progress he has made: tax cuts, dialogue with North Korea's leader and a steady economy. Meanwhile, he has implied that the late Sen. John McCain was less than a hero for being shot down during the Vietnam War, insulted allies around the world, and fired or driven from his administration anyone resembling a grownup.

This isn't a partisan rant. Trump's behavior would be just as baffling if he called himself a Democrat.

America has less than two years to decide if his accomplishments outweigh his head-scratching words and actions here and abroad.

Maybe it's time for voters to put away childish presidents.

— Jim Newton, Itasca

#### Let's get U.S. back on track

I'm an Irish immigrant who came legally to the United States, became a member of the 82nd Airborne and served honorably from 1957-1961. I was discharged the same day John F. Kennedy was inaugurated as the first Irish-American and Catholic president.

How I wish we all had him back, when we see what we have today.

It is tough for me to have any respect for President Donald Trump — a draft dodger, a consummate liar and a womanizer.

It was Franklin D. Roosevelt who gave us Social Security. For Medicare, we had Lyndon B. Johnson, and Barack Obama gave us Obamacare. All Democratic presidents.

I've been married for almost 57 years to my wife, Carol, who is of Italian, Finnish and Polish descent, another example of "the great melting pot."

We should all contribute to get this wonderful country back on track.

— Sean McPartland, Hickory Hills

#### Dems will reveal true selves

Every cloud has a silver lining, but the Republican cloud of losing control of the House is not lined with just silver but also gold. For the next two years, before the presidential election, the Democrats' agenda will be exposed for all to see.

While in the minority, they could limit themselves to criticizing, but now they have to propose legislation, and what an agenda that will be: open borders, Medicare for all, soak the rich, socialism, green energy regardless of cost, late-term abortion, higher taxes, more regulation. Now they have to let the American people see just what they stand for, and it's frightening.

— Edward Cooke, Lake Forest

# A thumbs-up for digital privacy law

Illinois is far from Silicon Valley, but it's smack in the middle of the growing data privacy debate because of a tough law recently upheld by the state Supreme Court.

The 2008 Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act regulates scans of people's faces, irises and fingerprints. Sci-fi stuff? Maybe when this law was written, but certainly no longer.

Last week, the state's highest court gave the green light to a lawsuit against Six Flags Entertainment Corp. over the use of a child's digitized thumbprint at the Great America amusement park in Gurnee. The ruling is a setback to Facebook and other big tech players who want to weaken such laws because they see more uses for biometrics.

We see good reasons to set strict parameters for the ways businesses grab data. With a new outrage over privacy in the news nearly every day, tech companies better become more responsible quickly — or they'll have to contend with further legal restrictions.

In Illinois, people must give consent for biometric scans. They must receive a written explanation of how the data will be used and how long it will be kept. People can sue over violations of the act even if they can't prove they were harmed by misuse of these unique identifiers, which are in demand by everyone from workplaces to amusement parks. In the Six Flags case, a parent sued after her 14-year-old son had his thumb scanned into the park's biometric data capture system, the Tribune's Ally Marotti reported. Neither parent nor child was informed in writing why the thumbprint had been col-



People in Illinois must give permission for biometric scans.

lected or how long it would be stored.

Safe to say that tech giants don't always have the public's best interests in mind when it comes to protecting personal data. Let's look at what they've been up to lately:

■ Apple was forced to disable Group FaceTime after an uproar over a bug that made Macs and iPhones vulnerable to eavesdropping.

■ Amazon is marketing facial-analysis system Rekognition for use in law enforcement, despite an alarming error rate, especially among women of color.

■ Facebook angered Apple over the creative interpretation of consent.

Apple decided enough was enough and temporarily booted the social network off its developer platform over a research app that vacuumed up personal information from users, including young teenagers. Apple later kicked off Google off briefly, too.

Occasional acts of self-policing aren't enough. If tech companies can't be trusted to handle data responsibly — which we would prefer — government enforcement is needed. The stakes are even higher with biometric data, which is why Illinois' law is sound. Consumers can always get a new credit card after a breach. Fingerprints can't be re-issued.

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi announced that a freshman Democratic congresswoman from Minnesota, Ilhan Omar, will sit on the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Some details about Omar: She supports the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanction (BDS) campaign aimed at destroying Israel. In 2012, she tweeted, "Israel has hypnotized the world, may Allah awaken the people and help them see the evil doings of Israel." In mid-January she went on CNN and defended her tweet. On Omar's first day in office, she met with anti-Semitic Women's March leader (and Farrah Khan fan) Linda Sarsour.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee oversees House bills and investigations pertaining to U.S. foreign policy, and it has the power to cut American arms and technology shipments to allies. So, while the Democrats are distancing themselves from anti-Semitic activists who organize a march every now and then, they're raising up anti-Semites to positions of power in the federal government.

Omar isn't the only one. Rashida Tlaib, the freshman Democratic congresswoman from Michigan, posed for a picture with a Hezbollah supporter named Abbas Hamideh at her swearing-in ceremony in Detroit. She then dined with the man, who has railed against "criminal Zionists" and tweeted things like "Long live (Hezbollah leader) Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah!" Tlaib herself has a history of tweeting out support for anti-Israel terrorists.

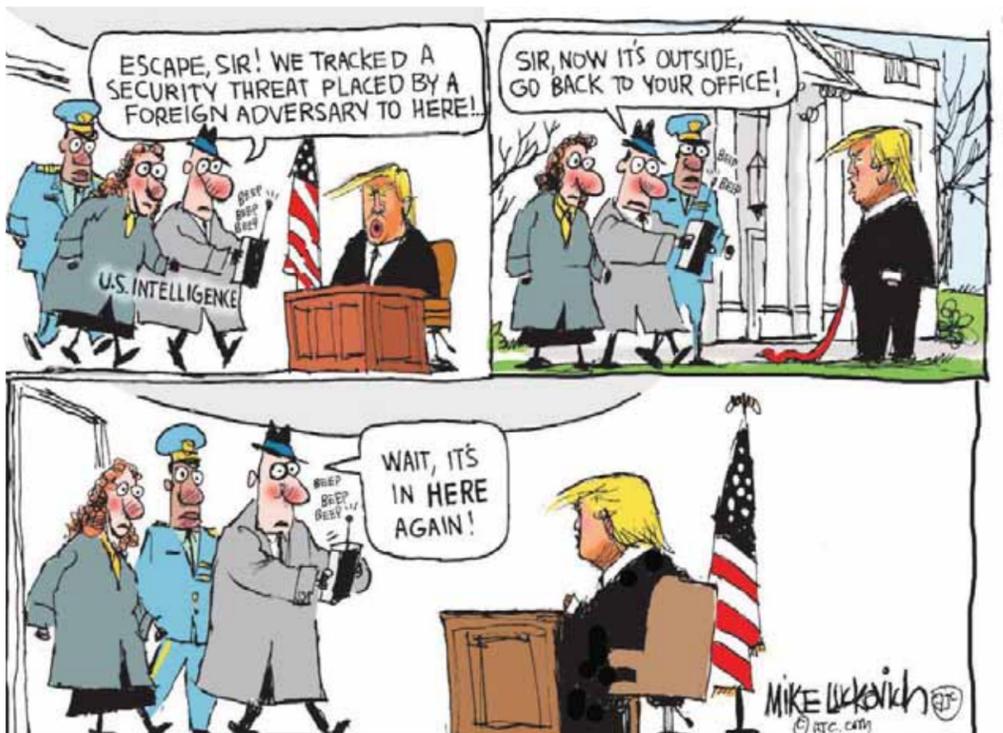
Abe Greenwald, Commentary

The progression of contemporary friendship tends to follow a series of prescribed steps — phone numbers exchanged, social-media accounts followed, happy-hour drinks consumed — that often ebbs into something that relies more on convenience than closeness. Driving around together gives the relationship a step forward in rapport, and driving someone to the airport — an assumed burden — thrusts the relationship into an even higher level of closeness.

Rides to the airport are a task with the practical heft of taking out the trash or folding laundry, but they evoke an unexpected sense of *hygge*, that Nordic feeling of everyday togetherness most often described by cozy sweaters and warm drinks. There's a widely held idea (espoused in the film "When Harry Met Sally" and elsewhere) that taking someone to the airport is an impractical errand usually undertaken in the throes of early infatuation, and that idea isn't wrong. But in more mature friendships, the airport ride is just an easy sacrifice to make. Airport rides carry more weight when they're done on the basis of an intimacy that burns long instead of fast.

Jacqueline Kantor, The New York Times

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"Coco" stole the Disney on Ice show with performances of "Remember Me" and "Un Poco Loco."

**IN PERFORMANCE** 'Disney on Ice: Mickey's Search Party' ★★★

# Let it go, Elsa, 'Coco' rules the ice now

Latest iteration of Mouse House hits is prime family entertainment

By JENNIFER DAY  
 Chicago Tribune

We were all there to make believe. And so, when the first act's showstopper ended with a charming dose of awkwardness, no one at the Saturday matinee of Disney on Ice blinked.

"Coco" had seized the day, lighting up the ice with jubilant performances of "Remember Me" and "Un Poco Loco." Flanked by skaters in neon-trimmed folklorico costumes and mariachi hats, Miguel transformed from boy to skeleton with the flip of a hoodie. He gleefully pantomimed with his glowing, white guitar as the festivities around him built to a climax. Two giant skeleton puppets lumbered out, and two far more human skeletons gracefully flung themselves about on tall, flexible polls, daring gravity to catapult them off into Allstate Arena's upper deck.

Every Disney on Ice performance is built to entertain those with even the shortest attention spans, so each number is designed as a cacophony of action, occasionally leaving the audience wondering where to look. But the



Belle from "Beauty and the Beast," center, swings during "Be Our Guest."

"Coco" numbers flowed, swirling choreography and visual effects into one truly delightful spectacle.

And then the house lights came up, leaving two skeletons stranded on their flexible polls. They hitched up their long skirts, twisting them tight, and flipped them over their shoulders before untethering their legs and climbing down. A quick Mouseketeer-worthy wave and they were gone, but not before offering a fleeting glimpse of the magic at work: Real people playing dress-up is pretty great — especially on our screen-numbered eyes.

So great, in fact, that our 2-year-old daughter — whom we were worried wouldn't sit for the

whole show — started yelling, "No! Don't go!" to audience members as the arena emptied for intermission.

Therein lies the truth in judging entertainment pitched to children (and perhaps most entertainment, if we're really being honest): It's nearly impossible to separate the performance itself from the experience of attending it.

Are the inescapable concession stands part of the show? No, but I couldn't have been the only one annoyed by the \$35 "Frozen" lighted snowflake wands blinkering around the arena. It wasn't so much that they interfered with the performance — although my

husband grew obsessed with counting them to calculate how much cash they were raking in — as I worried that my daughter's unrequited quest for one might ruin her day. (It didn't, though it did precipitate a brief meltdown on the way out the door.) And \$35? My daughter already owned a suspiciously similar \$10 wand at home.

The same dynamic works in the other direction too: When Belle from "Beauty and the Beast" goes swinging from the rafters with a half-dozen cupcake-clad ladies during the performance of "Be Our Guest," it didn't knock me out of my seat. But when my 2-year-old spontaneously burst into cheers and furious applause, it inspired a warm glow. That warm glow doesn't translate into objective critical judgment, but it's at least as gratifying.

Independent of all of that, "Mickey's Search Party" — the current iteration of Disney on Ice running locally until Feb. 10 — offers a prime family outing. The show is loosely tethered by a plot involving the kidnapping of Tinker Bell, a magic meter and a pirate's map that leads through a 2-hour medley of Disney's greatest hits.

Little kids squealed when Mickey appeared in person; older ones gaped at circus stunts. An aerial duet between Ariel (a pun?) and Prince Eric from "The Little Mermaid" is a clever way to transform swimming into skating,

while showing off the performers' athleticism. A chorus of green army men steal the "Toy Story" section. Moana provides the show's one moment of tension — one quickly resolved — when the human skater portraying the teenage heroine confronts an animated lava demon. (More disturbing, perhaps, is the Maui character's body suit; in a show featuring truly inventive and often gorgeous costumes, this is the one dud.)

"Frozen" closed the show, and if you listened closely, you could here a tiny chorus of backup singers in the audience, humming along with Elsa as she lip-synched her earworm of an anthem, "Let It Go." And while she looked every bit as much a queen as Elsa should, something about that portion of the show felt, well, cold, particularly after the vivid "Coco" performances.

My husband, who's been known to fret about the influence of Disney's princess-industrial complex, didn't need to worry: When our daughter got home, she didn't dig into her toy box for her snowflake wand. Instead, she grabbed her toy guitar and "ice skated" in her slippers around the house.

"Disney on Ice: Mickey's Search Party" plays through Sunday at the United Center in Chicago, then Feb. 7-10 at the Allstate Arena in Rosemont; 800-745-3000 and [www.disneyonice.com](http://www.disneyonice.com)

**IN PERFORMANCE** 'A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder' ★★★

## As funny as Broadway, just less murderous

By CHRIS JONES  
 Chicago Tribune

If they gave out awards for acting with your eyeballs, Matt Crowle would have no competition whatsoever.

He can throw 'em back into his head, cross 'em nine ways to Sunday and, in a particularly enterprising bit of comic business, make 'em dance in time to the music of Robert L. Freedman and Steven Lutvak.

Crowle — and his preening peepers — play a multitude of comedic roles in the lively new Porchlight Music Theatre production of "A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder," the successful Broadway musical from the 2013-14 season that's now being locally produced at the Ruth Page Center for the Arts.

In this retro, picaresque, serial-killer entertainment, which I've long thought of as a fusion of "Downton Abbey," Gilbert and Sullivan, Agatha Christie and "Dexter," an impecunious but enterprising young man named Monty Navarro (Andres Enriquez) finds himself to be a far-removed heir to a potential aristocratic fortune, and thus he sets about murdering everyone he finds above himself in the line of succession.

All of those eight victims — all members of the poor D'Ysquith family — are distinctively and entertainingly played by Crowle, prior to their being thrown off a building, drowned, stung to death, eaten by cannibals or whatever. It's all in good musical fun.

This role — or rather roles — was originated on Broadway by



MICHAEL COURIER PHOTO

Matt Crowle, in one of eight roles, all members of the D'Ysquith family, with Rachel Klippel in "A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder."

the illustrious actor Jefferson Mays. I think Crowle, who has worked in Chicago and New York for years, is every bit as talented, although he comes at the part more from a musical-theater tradition. That's the main difference in this performance — and it dovetails nicely with the Edwardian sensibility of a show that is a cheeky homage to old-fashioned entertainment. For Crowle, it's perfect casting.

"Gentleman's Guide" would not have so many fans were it not for the melodious wit of the score (Freedman and Lutvak combined on the lyrics). I appreciate it more every time I see the show.

If you saw this piece on Broadway or in Chicago on tour, you likely will miss the miniature-playhouse set, although Angela Weber Miller's simpler design is plenty witty and the more intimate confines of the Ruth Page

**When:** Through March 16

**Where:** Ruth Page Center for the Arts, 1016 N. Dearborn St.

**Running time:** 2 hours, 30 minutes

**Tickets:** \$39-66 at 773-777-9884 or [www.porchlightmusictheatre.org](http://www.porchlightmusictheatre.org)

very much helps the material. And the Porchlight Music Theatre show, directed and choreographed by Stephen Schellhardt, also is notable for a pair of especially strong vocal performances from Emily Goldberg and Ann Delaney.

Enriquez sings well too — although he could use far more of a murderous drive than he displays here. For all its charm, "A Gentleman's Guide" isn't supposed to be coy. You have to shiver a little at the thought of someone lurking around the corner, looking to take you down.

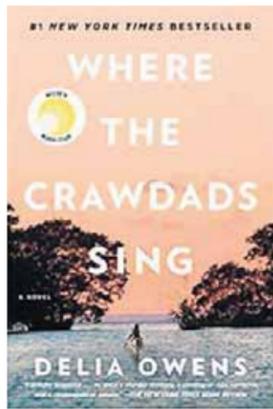
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## NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

## HARDCOVER FICTION

1. **"Where the Crawdads Sing"** by Delia Owens (Putnam, \$27) Last Week: 2



2. **"Liar Liar: A Harriet Blue Novel"** by James Patterson and Candice Fox (Little, Brown, \$28) Last week: 1

3. **"Crucible: A Sigma Force Novel"** by James Rollins (Morrow, \$28.99) Last week: —

4. **"Turning Point: A Novel"** by Danielle Steel (Delacorte, \$28.99) Last week: 3

5. **"The Reckoning: A Novel"** by John Grisham (Doubleday, \$29.95) Last week: 4

6. **"The Golden Tresses of the Dead: A Flavia de Luce Novel"** by Alan Bradley (Delacorte, \$26) Last week: —

7. **"Fire & Blood: 300 Years Before A Game of Thrones, Dragons Ruled Westeros (A Song of Ice and Fire: A Targaryen History)"** by George R.R. Martin (Bantam, \$35) Last week: 6

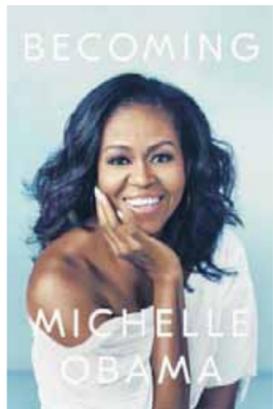
8. **"Every Breath"** by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central, \$28) Last week: 5

9. **"Long Road to Mercy: An Atlee Pine Thriller"** by David Baldacci (Grand Central, \$29) Last week: 7

10. **"An Anonymous Girl: A Novel"** by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen (St. Martin's, \$27.99) Last week: 8

## HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. **"Becoming"** by Michelle Obama (Crown, \$32.50) Last week: 1



2. **"Girl, Wash Your Face: Stop Believing the Lies About Who You Are So You Can Become Who You Were Meant to Be"** by Rachel Hollis (Nelson, \$22.99) Last week: 2

3. **"It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered"** by Lysa TerKeurst (Nelson, \$24.99) Last week: 3

4. **"Educated: A Memoir"** by Tara Westover (Random House, \$28) Last week: 4

5. **"The First Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill George Washington"** by Brad Meltzer and Josh Mensch (Flatiron, \$29.99) Last week: 9

6. **"Homebody: A Guide to Creating Spaces You Never Want to Leave"** by Joanna Gaines (Harper Design, \$40) Last week: 5

7. **"The Truths We Hold: An American Journey"** by Kamala Harris (Penguin, \$30) Last week: —

8. **"Everyday Millionaires: How Ordinary People Built Extraordinary Wealth — and How You Can Too"** by Chris Hogan (Ramsey, \$24.99) Last week: —

9. **"12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos"** by Jordan B. Peterson (Random House Canada, \$25.95) Last week: —

10. **"The Point of It All: A Lifetime of Great Loves and Endeavors"** by Charles Krauthammer (Crown Forum, \$28) Last week: 10

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— Publishers Weekly



## ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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## Adult son bites hands that feed him

**Dear Amy:** My wife and I have a son in his mid-20s. He lives with his girlfriend, and they are both in graduate school.

My wife and I took on debt so he wouldn't have to for college. We also gave him his first car. His grad school is paid for by the school/taxpayers in exchange for him being a teaching assistant.

We continue to cover small expenses, such as his car's E-ZPass, his cellphone, car registration, etc.

His grandmother pays his car insurance and has given him a credit card, which he uses for groceries and dining out. He and his girlfriend generally live pretty well.

My wife and I are upper-middle class people. We have both worked hard for everything we have. Ever since the 2016 election, my son has espoused far-left viewpoints. I mean really far left, as in we must eat/kill the rich, the wealthy are the enemy of the people, etc. I have tried to encourage him to try and see the point of view of the other side.

He states that ours is a country full of uneducated people. He seems to feel he is a victim. I have pointed out that he is receiving a "free" education, courtesy of the taxpayers, and that he should be grateful.

He has called me a Nazi and a white supremacist, since he feels that these are the only people who voted for the current president (besides "dumb hicks who were duped").

We are not racist and do not have far-right views. We are mainstream Republicans who know and love people of all races, ethnicities and viewpoints.

His mother is in tears after he leaves.

I'd like to rekindle a normal, mutually respectful, happy relationship with my son. But how?

— Concerned Dad

**Dear Dad:** I'm enjoying the irony that someone who takes money from his grandma to eat out could hate the rich so much.

You love your son. Surely, he won't be a twerp forever. All the same, he is an adult, and you need to react to him proportionally. So if he calls you a Nazi, you should tell him that words matter and that this is offensive. Ask him to explain and ask him to apologize. Demonstrate the respectful behavior you would like to see from him. (One tip: Never tell an entitled person to be grateful.)

Also say that you don't want to offend him with your capitalist bounty, and so from now on he can pay for his own E-ZPass and cellphone.

Tell him, "Your mother and I worry that you, who have been so fortunate, seem to feel you are a victim. We hope you will use your passion to help make this world a better place, and that you will grow to understand how important it is to listen and respect other points of view — even if you disagree."

**Dear Amy:** I have a wonderful, generous mother-in-law. Regretfully, most of her gift choices are unusable (e.g., a blender, although we have a functioning one, and a suitcase, although we have four!).

The tags are always removed and there is never a gift receipt. My husband

feels that his mother would be hurt to know the gifts were unneeded.

This has all of us lying when we're asked how much we love the latest present. We simply store goods for as long as reasonable and then donate them, unused.

This Christmas the present was quite expensive and I feel terrible. Should we be frank and put an end to the pattern?

— Gift Horse

**Dear Gift Horse:** You could use the newer gift and donate your old one. Otherwise, say, "We love your gift, but I'm a little embarrassed because we already have one. Would your mind if we tried to exchange the one you gave us? You're so generous — I'll wait for your direction on what we might do."

Next year you might give her a heads-up: "I don't know if you're looking for ideas, but I'm hoping for some gardening supplies this year ... hint, hint."

**Dear Amy:** "Left Behind" was struggling with how to describe the loss of a child.

My daughter died too young, 15 years ago. I actually had someone say to me, "It's been 15 years. You should be over it by now!"

I'll never be over it.

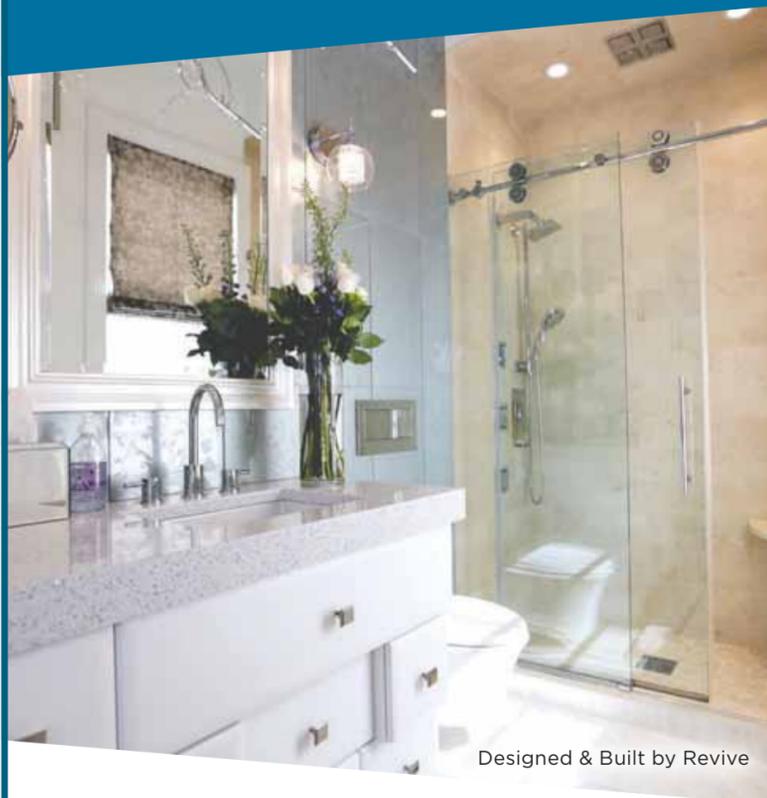
— Grieving

**Dear Grieving:** When you lose a child, you don't get over it. If you're lucky, you eventually adjust to a new normal.

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## Complicated mother-daughter relationship based on true story

By RICK BENTLEY  
Tribune News Service

It's easy to judge the incidents that inspired the Lifetime movie "Love You to Death" as extreme cruelty and abuse. It's a case of Munchausen syndrome by proxy when a mother forces her healthy young daughter to pretend she is ill so she can reap the rewards from charitable people who offer her help.

The story is based on the true story of Gypsy Rose Blanchard from Springfield, Mo.

Marcia Gay Harden ("Code Black"), who plays the abusive and manipulative mother, Camile, didn't look at the role as being good or bad. All she could see when she looked at the way the mother acted was a lot of gray areas.

"She initially thinks she is doing this out of love when she first thought her daughter was sick," Harden says. "Then, it got corroded, and it became the way of life. My biggest question was whether or not a person who engages in that kind of behavior is aware of it or not. The answer is that when you look at crimes across history, racist people don't think they are racist. There are people all through history who are doing things that other groups of people would question whether or not what they are doing is a service to humanity."

The world sees Camile as an overly protective and caring mother to Esme (Emily Skeggs), her wheelchair-bound daughter. It only becomes clear later that what appears to be a perfect relationship turns deadly.

"Love You to Death" tells the story of both the perspective of the mother and the daughter. Skeggs loves the structure because of her extensive theater background, where it is critical to determine



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Emily Skeggs, left, and Marcia Gay Harden star in Lifetime's "Love You to Death," based on a true story.

just the right angle to tell the story to the audience. In the Lifetime film, she didn't have to limit herself but was able to play the character from two very different points of view.

The varied views set up what Skeggs wants the audience to take away from the film.

"It's an extremely complicated story," Skeggs says. "You think you understand the motivations. You think if you were in those situations, you would have just told the doctor what was really happening. But, it's far more complicated."

Both actors did research before the filming started with an emphasis on understanding the disorder of Munchausen syndrome by proxy. Neither Harden nor Skeggs was familiar with the condition. The acting part came easy. The Oscar-winning Harden has been working professionally since the '80s. Skeggs has appeared in "Salem" and "When We Rise."

Support was crucial as

working on "Love You to Death" threw both of them an acting curve, having to go through some serious physical transformations. For Skeggs, that meant having no hair (to keep up the appearances of chemotherapy treatments) and being twisted into a wheelchair. Harden wore body padding to show the character's weight increase over the years. She laughs and stresses to make sure everyone knows her sagging chin is all the work of prosthetics.

Putting on the faux weight helped Harden find the last pieces she needed to play the character.

"I literally couldn't access the internal of this character until I had physical part," Harden says. "I was weighted and big. It was very liberating to be in that physique and then an emotional world began to emerge for me that I hadn't quite understood until I was carrying the burden of the weight of the people I had hurt on me."

# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Kellie Martin

**"Death of a Cheerleader"** (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): Kellie Martin fans who remember her 1994 TV movie "A Friend to Die For" will recognize the main story elements in this 2019 remake, which chronicles a true-crime saga in which a lonely teenager (Aubrey Peeples, in Martin's old role) reacts in dire fashion when her attempt to befriend a popular high school peer (Sarah Dugdale) is rebuffed.

**"Puppy Bowl Presents: The Dog Bowl II"** (7 p.m., 12 a.m., 3 a.m., ANIM): An entertaining and sometimes poignant lead-up to tomorrow's "Puppy Bowl XV," this newer annual offering — back for the second time — spotlights adult and senior dogs currently living in rescues and shelters, where they're often overlooked in favor of more aggressively adorable puppies. Animal advocate Jill Rappaport, tonight's host, hopes to change those odds by showcasing the amazing spirit of these older animals, who still have a lot of love for anyone who can offer a safe forever home.

**"Uncle Drew"** (7 p.m., 12:40 a.m., HBO): Pro basketball star Kyrie Irving takes his character from a series of Pepsi Max TV commercials to the big screen in this 2018 sports comedy, in which he is joined by former NBA players Shaquille O'Neal, Chris Webber, Reggie Miller and Nate Robinson. The somewhat thin story finds Irving's title character being recruited by hapless streetball team manager Dax Winslow (Lil Rel Howery). Erica Ash, J.B. Smoove, Mike Epps, Tiffany Haddish and Nick Kroll co-star.

**"7 Days in Entebbe"** (8 p.m., Showtime): Jose Padilha's 2018 action thriller chronicles the events and personalities that made up Operation Entebbe, a 1978 incident in which two Palestinian and two German tourists hijacked an Air France flight en route from Tel Aviv to Paris and held the passengers — 53 Palestinian and pro-Palestinian militants — for ransom. When negotiations failed, the Israelis approved a counter-terrorist hostage rescue operation. Critics praised the cast, headed by Daniel Bruhl and Rosamund Pike, while marveling that the film manages to make these suspenseful events surprisingly dull.

**"Doctor Dolittle"** (9 p.m., TCM): In this 1967 fantasy-musical, Rex Harrison plays a gentle soul in the Victorian era who prefers talking to animals rather than humans. The famous veterinarian embarks on a quest with his animal friends to locate the Great Pink Sea Snail. Adapted from Hugh Lofting's story, this film garnered Oscars for best effects and best song, "Talk to the Animals." Samantha Eggar, Anthony Newley, Richard Attenborough and Geoffrey Holder also star.

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	<b>CNN</b>	CNN Newsroom (N)		Three Identical Strangers (PG-13, '18) †		†		†
	<b>COM</b>	† (5:20) The Longest Yard		The Longest Yard (PG-13, '05) †		† Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. ©		
	<b>DISC</b>	Naked and Afraid ©		Naked and Afraid: Amazon End Zone (N) ©				
	<b>DISN</b>	† (6:50) High School Musical 2 (NR, '07) †		† Zac Efron.		Sydney-Max	Coop	Bizaardvark
	<b>E!</b>	10 Things I Hate About You (PG-13, '99) †				10 Things I Hate About You ('99) †		†
	<b>ESPN</b>	College Basketball: Tennessee at Texas A&M. (N) (Live)				Boxing (N) †		
	<b>ESPN2</b>	College Basketball: Alabama at Auburn. (N) (Live)				College Basketball (N) †		
	<b>FNC</b>	Watters' World (N) ©		Justice With Jeanine (N)		Greg Gutfeld (N)		Watters †
	<b>FOOD</b>	Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive		Diners †
	<b>FREE</b>	† (5:20) Finding Nemo ('03)		(7:50) Finding Dory (PG, '16) †		† (SAP)		Game Plan †
	<b>FX</b>	Happy Death Day (PG-13, '17) †		† Jessica Rothe. ©		(9:03) Happy Death Day ('17) †		†
	<b>HALL</b>	Valentine in the Vineyard (NR, '19) ©				1st Annual Cat Bowl (N)		Anything †
	<b>HGTV</b>	Love It or List It ©		Love It or List It ©		House Hunters Reno (N)		Log Cabin
	<b>HISTV</b>	Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper: "Return to the Forge." (N) ©						
	<b>HLN</b>	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	<b>IFC</b>	† Planet of the Apes †		Planet Earth: Dynasties (N) ©				Planet of the Apes †
	<b>LIFE</b>	Death of a Cheerleader (NR, '19) †		Aubrey Peeples. ©		My Mother's Split Personalities ('19) †		†
	<b>MSNBC</b>	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		11th Hour †
	<b>MTV</b>	† Dodgeball		Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.
	<b>NBCSCH</b>	Heartland Poker Tour		Bulls Postgame (N)		Bulls (N)		Postgame
	<b>NICK</b>	Henry (N)	Cousins (N)	Knight	SpongeBob	The Office	The Office	Friends ©
	<b>OVATION</b>	† (6) Brokeback Mountain (R, '05) †		† Heath Ledger.		Destination France (N)		Contact †
	<b>OWN</b>	Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Love & Marriage (N)		Iyanla †
	<b>OXY</b>	Killer Couples ©		Mark of a Killer ©		Mark of a Killer ©		Killers †
	<b>PARMT</b>	The Expendables (R, '10) †		† Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham. ©		The Expendables 2 †		†
	<b>SYFY</b>	Deadly Class: "Pilot." ©		Deadly Class ©		Deadly Class: "Snake Pit." †		Futurama
<b>TBS</b>	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Am/Night †	
<b>TCM</b>	Fantastic Voyage (PG, '66) †		† Stephen Boyd. ©		Doctor Dolittle (G, '67) †		†	
<b>TLC</b>	Say Yes to the Dress: "Don't Show the Goodies." (N)				Say Yes to the Dress ©		Say Yes †	
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<b>TRAV</b>	Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost Adventures (N) ©		Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost †	
<b>TVL</b>	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	King	
<b>USA</b>	Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13, '16) †		† Eddie Redmayne.				Tempt. †	
<b>VH1</b>	† (6:30) Bad Boys II (R, '03) †		† Martin Lawrence, Will Smith. ©				Four Bros †	
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<b>PREMIUM</b>	<b>HBO</b>	Uncle Drew (PG-13, '18) †		† Kyrie Irving.		(8:45) 2 Dope Queens		(9:45) True Detective †
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### Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (Feb. 2): Together, you're a powerful force this year. Benefits rise with thorough planning and coordination. Unplanned domestic matters arise. Get physical this summer, before a peaceful rest phase. Winter realizations lead to a shift in physical activities. All for one, and one for all.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Take new professional territory. Keep your cool, and make detailed plans to advance without controversy. You have everything you need. **Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Deviations and diversions line the road. Distractions abound. Don't get rushed into splurging on a whim. Stop and smell the roses in your own garden. **Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 8. Coordinate plans and budgets with your partner to avoid waste. Traffic and delays could frustrate. Slow down, and take care of business together. Prepare invoices.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 7. Collaborate with a partner to minimize fuss and effort. Don't take action yet. Love strikes when least expected. Discover a fascinating plot twist. **Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Changes and confusion could stress you. Things may be in a state of flux. Draw upon hidden resources. Stick to practiced routines, and prioritize health. **Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Passions are in high gear. Look before you leap! Wait for developments. Impulsive actions can fall flat. Consider that you don't have the full picture. **Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Plan home improvements in detail before committing time or money. Clear clutter and clean domestic messes. Test colors in advance. Less is more.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Stay objective in a tense situation. Listening is more powerful than speaking. Resist jumping to conclusions. Remain open to suggestions. Investigate a fascinating attraction.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Develop profitable ideas. Try not to break anything. You don't have to tell everyone everything. Avoid impulsive spending. You can get what you need.

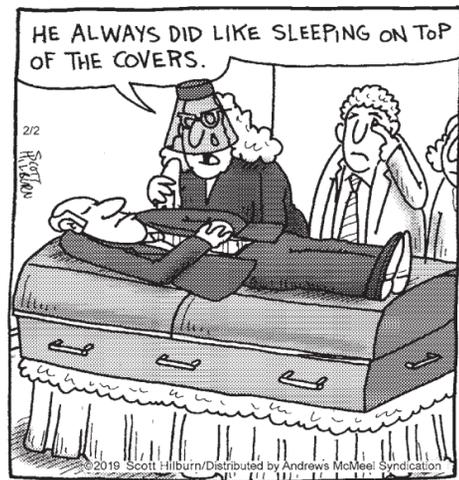
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Try a different power tactic. Make a personal change, but watch for hidden complications. Make plans for action later. Get your partner on board with your plan.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 5. Postpone overstimulating activities. Wait for a better time to push ahead. Rest and recharge instead. Save money, and lay low. Peaceful reflection provides fruitful results.

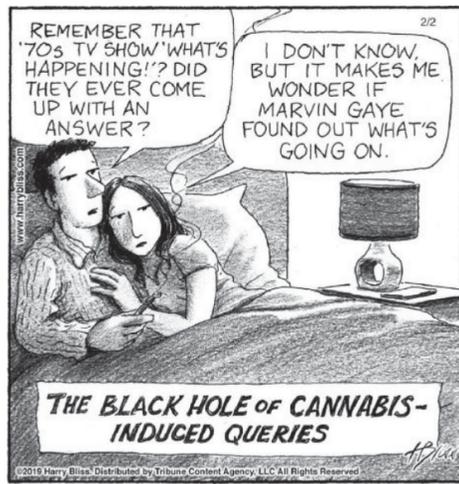
**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Your team is especially hot. Success arises through diversity of perspective. Avoid distractions. Coordinate your wider view together.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



### Bliss By Harry Bliss



### Bridge

Both vulnerable, West deals

**North**  
 ♠ Q82  
 ♥ QJ5  
 ♦ J95  
 ♣ J974

**West**  
 ♠ 74  
 ♥ AK86  
 ♦ 63  
 ♣ A10632

**East**  
 ♠ 10  
 ♥ 109743  
 ♦ KQ874  
 ♣ Q8

**South**  
 ♠ AKJ9653  
 ♥ 2  
 ♦ A102  
 ♣ K5

Today's deal is from a high-stakes rubber bridge game at the famous TGR's club in London. All the players were well-known experts.

West's lead held the first trick and he shifted to the six of diamonds — low, queen, ace. Declarer drew trumps in two rounds ending in dummy. South was certain that West held the ace of clubs for his opening bid, so the normal play of a club to the king was doomed. He tried the effect of leading the queen of hearts from dummy and discarding the 10 of diamonds! West won with his ace and took stock.

Assuming declarer's play was rational, the 10 of diamonds had to be his last diamond. It seemed right to play clubs at this point, so he cashed his ace. Partner's eight was unreadable, so he continued with another club to South's king. Declarer crossed to dummy with the eight of spades and discarded his remaining diamond on the jack of hearts. A lovely swindle!

East-West showed their class after the deal, when West announced his ace of clubs play as an error. If the 10 of diamonds was declarer's only remaining diamond, that meant that South had three clubs. Partner's singleton club had to be the king, in that case, for the defense to have a chance, and a low club from West would be the winning play — never the ace. East took his share of the blame for not dropping the queen of clubs under the ace. This would deny the king and force a shift back to diamonds by West.

— Bob Jones  
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### Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



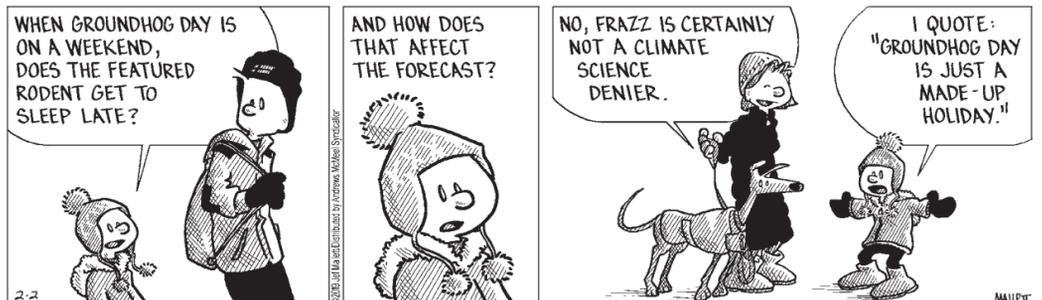
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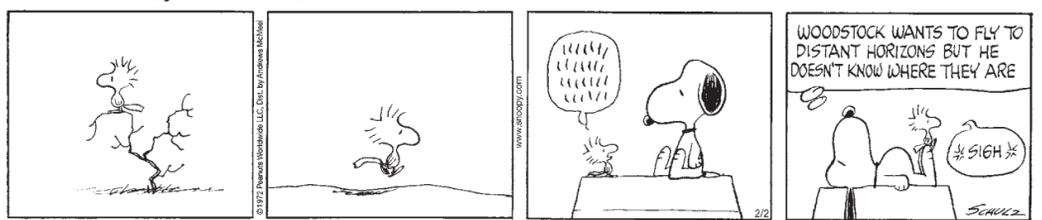
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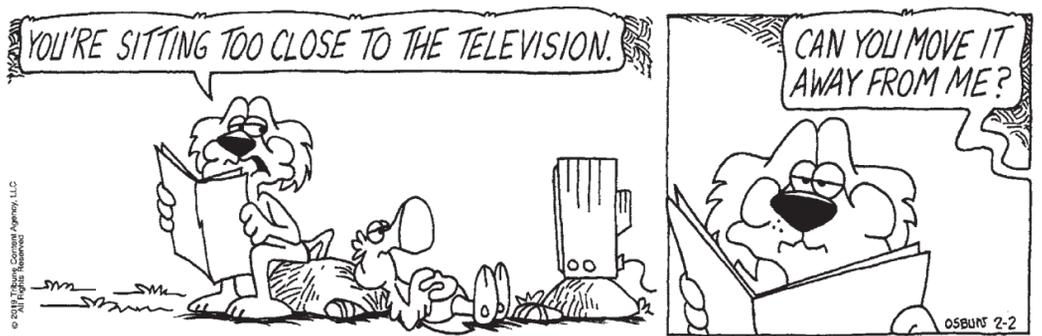
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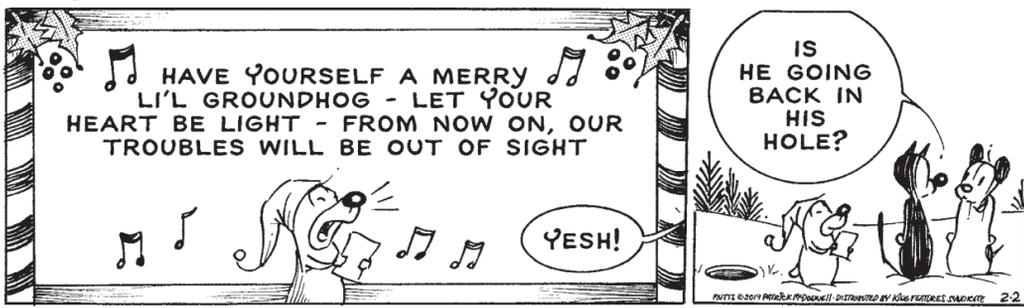
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**Hägar the Horrible** By Chris Browne



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**Brewster Rockit: Space Guy!** By Tim Rickard



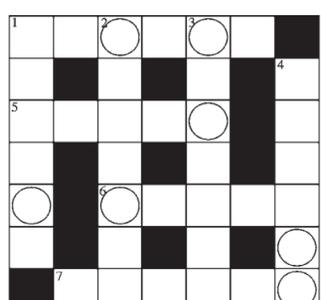
**Broom-Hilda** By Russell Myers



**Trivia Bits**

Which best describes the patches that cover a classic black and white leather soccer ball?  
 A) 12 hexagons and 20 pentagons  
 B) 12 pentagons and 20 hexagons  
 C) 32 hexagons  
 D) 32 pentagons  
 Friday's answer: Sylvester Stallone gave the Rocky statue used in "Rocky III" to the city of Philadelphia.  
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**Jumble Crossword**



**ACROSS**  
 CLUE ANSWER  
 1. Sea GENEAA  
 5. Martin ENESH  
 6. Chasm BASYS  
 7. Thief TDBAIN

**DOWN**  
 CLUE ANSWER  
 1. Postulate SUEMAS  
 2. Former British colony REGADAN  
 3. Irritated YDNEAO  
 4. Nightfall ETNSUS

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

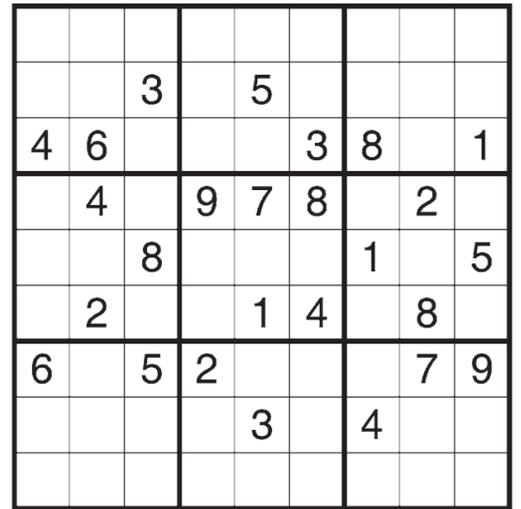
**DOUBLE BONUS**  
 The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.  
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CLUE: Tycoon  
 CLUE: Purplish red

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**Sudoku** 1 2 3 4

2/2



9	8	3	5	2	6	7	4	1
5	6	2	7	4	1	3	8	9
1	7	4	9	8	3	2	5	6
2	9	6	1	5	7	8	3	4
3	5	1	8	6	4	9	2	7
7	4	8	2	3	9	6	1	5
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6	1	5	3	9	8	4	7	2
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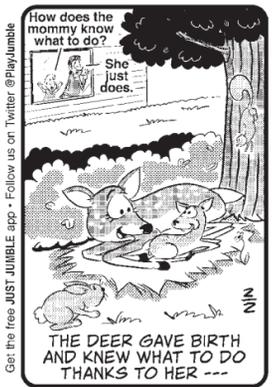
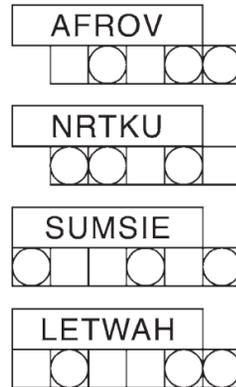
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

**Friday's solutions**

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**Jumble**

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



Answer here



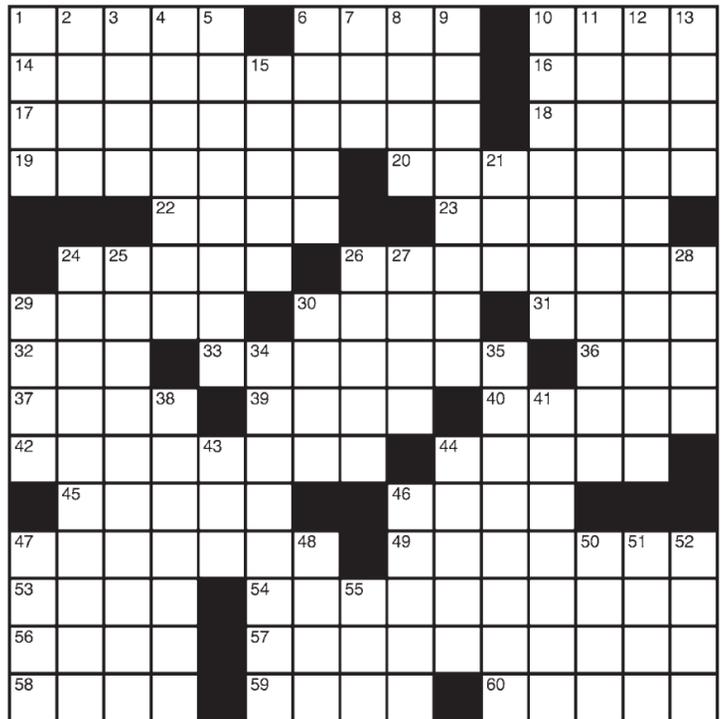
**Friday's answers**

Jumbles: OMEGA WIPER CONNED TIDIER  
 Answer: They wanted to go bowling. They just needed to -- PIN DOWN A TIME

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**Crossword**

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**Across**

- 1 Green side
- 6 Fruit named for a horticulturist
- 10 Target field athlete
- 14 Smart timepiece
- 16 "That can't be good"
- 17 Reason for a case
- 18 Neck and neck
- 19 Vet
- 20 Chicken -: fast food nuggets
- 22 Special nights
- 23 Refined
- 24 Hot spot
- 26 Ski carriers
- 29 Jordanian dough
- 30 Disney dog
- 31 Unpaid assistant in many offices
- 32 Weather-sensitive stat, often
- 33 Get ugly with
- 36 Da Vinci's "The Last Supper," for one
- 37 Policy affecting returns

**Down**

- 15 Silent signals
- 15 Results of some press releases?
- 21 Compact figure?
- 24 Makes out too much, say
- 25 Words of reinforcement
- 26 Looks amazed
- 27 Laudatory lines
- 28 Farm structure
- 29 Prized
- 30 What an extended thumb might indicate
- 34 Sights
- 35 Half a two-island country
- 38 Dish cleaners
- 41 London locale
- 43 Mo. named for an emperor
- 44 Choir elevator
- 46 Gentle sorts
- 47 First female Asian-American Cabinet member
- 48 Slight amount
- 50 Crafted
- 51 Home of the Iowa State Daily
- 52 Split up
- 55 Global financial org.

**Friday's solution**



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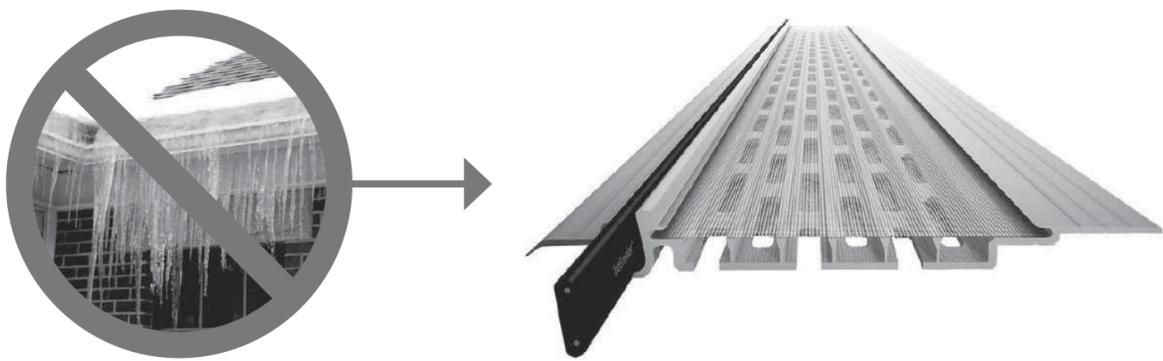


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**SUPER BOWL LIII PATRIOTS VS. RAMS**  
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MICHAEL DWYER/AP (TOP LEFT), STEVEN SENNE/AP (BOTTOM LEFT), ROBERTO SCHMIDT/GETTY (TOP RIGHT), CAROLYN KASTER/AP (BOTTOM RIGHT)

While quarterback Tom Brady and Patriots coach Bill Belichick, above, have been together for 17 seasons in New England, the Rams have undergone numerous changes over that span of time. In 2002, Mike Martz and Kurt Warner, top right, fell short of the Patriots in the Super Bowl. Now, Sean McVay and Jared Goff get their turn at the five-time champions.

# Stability is Pats' secret

While turnover is the norm for NFL teams, even the Rams, New England continues to value its core

By **ROB MAADDI** | Associated Press

**A**T LANTA — The Rams moved from St. Louis to Los Angeles, had seven head coaches and used 20 starting quarterbacks since losing to the Patriots in the Super Bowl 17 years ago.

Meanwhile, Bill Belichick and Tom Brady are still here and they're going for their sixth NFL title in the rematch Sunday.

Steven Jackson, a three-time Pro Bowl running back during his 12 NFL seasons, experienced the turnover with the Rams and briefly enjoyed the Patriots way.

A Rams selection in the first round of the 2004 draft, Jackson had eight consecutive 1,000-yard rushing seasons while in St. Louis. But he didn't appear in a playoff game after his rookie year until he signed with the Patriots late in the 2015 season.

Jackson scored his only career playoff touchdown in the AFC championship game against the Broncos. The Patriots haven't lost a title game since that one.

"I played for six of those coaches," Jackson said. "The turnover, I had to endure that and then to end my career in New England and see the longevity and

Turn to **Super Bowl**, Page 3

**BULLS**

## Trade shows again players wield power

Porzingis the latest one to get what he wanted

By **TEDDY GREENSTEIN**  
Chicago Tribune

MIAMI — LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh showed their power when they joined forces in 2010 to form the NBA's first player-generated super team in Miami.

Other NBA superstars, from Jimmy Butler to Kyrie Irving to Kawhi Leonard, have also flexed and been moved. The latest to show off his juice is Kristaps Porzingis, who told the Knicks he wanted out and got traded to the Mavericks on Thursday.

Asked about the power of the players, Bulls coach Jim Boylen said Friday: "It's their league."

"It's always been a players' league," Zach LaVine said. "Players run the league. At the end of

the day, it depends on who the player is. LeBron can say he wants to go to the Houston Rockets in the offseason, and they will make it happen.

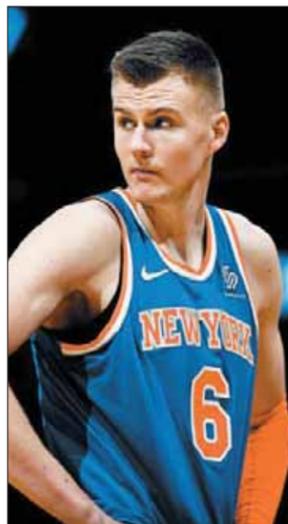
"Look at how far the game has come — all the revenue it brings in, the fan base, all the different cultures. I think it's good."

Veteran center Robin Lopez called the Porzingis trade "exciting" and razzed his buddy by saying: "For the Mavs it's great because they got rid of Wesley Matthews."

On the bigger issue, Lopez said it's "wonderful" that top players have the power to move around.

"The big one that always comes up is Kevin Durant," he said. "People (said) that's not a

Turn to **Bulls**, Page 4



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Kristaps Porzingis was the latest NBA star to wield power, telling the Knicks he wanted out and getting traded to the Mavericks.

**UP NEXT**  
Bulls at  
Hornets  
6 p.m. Saturday, WGN-9

**BLACKHAWKS 7, SABRES 3**

## Kane nets 900th point in win after 10-day break

Scores pair of goals for 15 points in last 5 games

By **JIMMY GREENFIELD**  
Chicago Tribune

**UP NEXT**  
Blackhawks  
at Wild  
7 p.m. Saturday, NBC-5

BUFFALO, N.Y. — The reason for never giving up on a season was right before the Blackhawks' eyes Friday night.

It came in the form of Jack Eichel, Rasmus Ristolainen, Casey Mittlestadt, Sam Reinhart and Rasmus Dahlin.

Since 2013, the Sabres selected those five players among the first eight picks in the NHL draft, with Eichel and Reinhart going at No. 2 and last year Dahlin at No. 1.

It hasn't mattered. At least not yet. The Sabres haven't made the playoffs since 2011 and are on the outside of the postseason picture looking in this season.

Other factors are at play when dissecting why the Sabres haven't

succeeded despite their lofty draft picks, all of whom have developed into good if not great players. But the fact is the draft doesn't guarantee future success, and every season needs to be treated as one full of possibilities until all have been exhausted.

After a 10-day break, the Hawks still see possibilities.

They resumed their season Friday with a 7-3 victory over the Sabres that they hope will propel them back into the playoff race.

Coach Jeremy Colliton was

Turn to **Blackhawks**, Page 4

**BEARS**



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Plainfield's Don Wachter, aka Bearman, learned Friday he'll be among the first inductees into the Ford Hall of Fans museum at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. He will attend induction weekend in August.

# Hall calls 'Bearman'

Superfan among 1st inductees into Canton's fans museum

By PHIL THOMPSON  
Chicago Tribune

Bearman, the superfan persona of Plainfield's Don Wachter, is headed to Canton, Ohio — along with Steelers fan Rick Holman and Dolphins backer Roger Avila — as the first inductees into the Ford Hall of Fans museum at the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

It's a surprise twist since the finalists had been told as recently as Thursday night that only one would be win the honor.

But all three received knocks on their hotel room doors — they're staying in Atlanta during Super Bowl week — from Pro Football Hall of Fame President David Baker on Friday morning.

Jim Peters, Ford brand content and alliances marketing manager, said via email: "When it came down to it, Roger, Don and Rick were all a perfect fit for the inaugural Ford Hall of Fans class

that will enter the Pro Football Hall of Fame this summer."

Wachter, who wears a real bear head as Bearman, laughed and said he now feels "just relieved. The tension ..."

He's also having the time of his life.

He and the other winners were to attend a formal luncheon Friday and an Aerosmith concert later. They'll all sit together Sunday at the Super Bowl.

"I ran into Mike Singletary last night. He was wearing his gold jacket," Wachter said. "The Patriots are in this hotel also."

Holman said in a statement: "This means the world to me, you have no idea. I've dedicated nearly half of my life to this, to being a fan. Now being a part of the Ford Hall of Fans — this is amazing."

Wachter won't share the same space as George "Papa Bear" Halas and 32 other Hall of Famers who played or coached for the Bears, but he'll have a display of some kind.

Hall of Fame officials haven't decided on the nature of his enshrinement, but he'll be invited

to Canton for induction weekend in August.

Wachter, who last worked as an urban forester in La Grange, has been a season ticket holder at Solder Field for 33 years and was a flag bearer there in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

Earlier this week he said he wanted to win the honor for all Bears fans but added: "It would also be a culmination of being Bearman for 22 years. This is the pinnacle award for being recognized as the ultimate fan."

The other two finalists were Avila, 56, of Miami, who wears a helmet, face paint and an old-school No. 40 jersey; and Holman, 39, a high school history teacher from Beaver, Pa., who has had Steelers season tickets for 18 years.

Fans cast more than 170,000 votes online for Wachter, Holman and Avila, who were among six fans nominated by Hall of Fame players in December. Panels from Ford and the Hall of Fame also helped determine the winner.

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**BEARS NOTES**

## Fans will pay more for tickets in 2019

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Bears season ticket prices will increase by an average of 4.1 percent for 2019, the team announced Friday.

Prices for Bears season tickets increased only once over the last four years. But after a 12-4 season and an NFC North title in 2018, the team is raising the cost by an average of 5.6 percent for non-club seats and 1.6 percent for club seats.

The Bears continue to follow a demand-based pricing model, with each regular-season game assigned a pricing tier, to be announced along with the NFL schedule in April. Individual-game tickets will continue to cost more than season tickets.

Bears President and CEO Ted Phillips sent a letter to season ticket holders informing them of the increase, which he said was based on analysis of renewal trends and secondary-market data. He also noted the 2019 season will hold special meaning.

"The upcoming campaign will mark our 100th season, providing opportunities to share in that celebration with you while also setting the stage for the future of Chicago Bears football," he wrote. "This comes at a time when optimism and excitement surrounding our team is on the rise. ... We did not achieve our ultimate goal (in 2018) but are moving in the right direction under the leadership of Ryan Pace and Matt Nagy."

The Bears also announced they will go to only mobile-ticket entry in 2019. Printed tickets won't be issued to season ticket holders or individual-game buyers. Fans must manage their tickets online or on mobile devices, where they also can share or resell tickets. The Bears said mobile ticketing is intended to reduce fraud and better evaluate fan experience.

Peppers retires: Julius Peppers thanked Bears fans and

former teammates and coaches — as well as those from the Panthers and Packers — as he announced his retirement from a 17-year NFL career in a letter posted Friday to The Players' Tribune.

Peppers finished his career with 159 1/2 sacks, fourth-most in NFL history. The defensive end is the only player in with at least 150 sacks and 10 interceptions — he had 11 — and blocked 13 field-goal and extra-point attempts.

"Brian Urlacher, for leading by example and showing me the importance of paying attention to detail and the art of calling a game," the nine-time Pro Bowl and six-time All-Pro selection wrote about the Hall of Fame Bears linebacker. Peppers also thanked former Bears coach Lovie Smith and former defensive coordinator Rod Marinelli for their leadership.

And he thanked John Fox, who was coach of the Panthers when he started his career: "A lot of people wanted you to draft a quarterback with that second pick, but you stuck your neck out for me."

Peppers grew up in North Carolina admiring fellow native Michael Jordan and watching the Bulls on WGN, then played for the Tar Heels before the Panthers drafted him in 2002. He saved most of his sentiments for his home state but expressed affinity for Chicago too.

"Bears fans ... man ... I could not have chosen a better place to make my first stop outside of North Carolina. You were so welcoming and so supportive," said Peppers, who played for the Bears from 2010-13 after eight seasons in Carolina. "I was very proud to wear that uniform. I'll always love the city of Chicago."

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## NFL

# Stability is what sets Pats apart in NFL

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how well they know each other, you could see why they're successful.

"You could see why they know what plays to call, what (Brady) runs well, what the other defensive unit runs well because they have the continuity there. They haven't had a lot of change and they run the same offense and defense still."

Between Kurt Warner and Jared Goff, the Rams went from Marc Bulger to Case Keenum. Sam Bradford was supposed to be the answer when he was drafted No. 1 in 2010, but Bradford never had a winning season and was traded to the Eagles for Nick Foles in 2015 after tearing his ACL two seasons in a row.

Players such as Gus Frerotte, Chris Chandler, A.J. Feeley and Sean Mannion have started for the Rams over the last 17 seasons. Even Trent Green came back and lined up under center one more time for the Rams in 2008 after his injury in 1999 opened the door for Warner to begin his Hall of Fame career.

Coaches included Mike Martz, Jim Haslett, Steve Spagnuolo and Jeff Fisher. The Rams had a revolving door until Sean McVay took over as coach in 2017 and led them to consecutive NFC West titles with Goff, the No. 1 pick in 2016.

McVay marvels at the Patriots' accomplishments over the last two decades.

"When you look at these guys and what they've done in terms of consistency, where that's really the truest measurement of performance, and nobody's done it better than they have over the last handful of years," McVay said. "That's why you have so much respect and appreciation for them."

Brady certainly has evolved since leading the Patriots to an upset over the "Greatest Show on Turf" version of the Rams for his first Super Bowl championship. At 41, he relies more on his wisdom and knowledge.

"The preparation is different, but in some ways it's easier for me because I'm very efficient in what my routine is," he said. "When I was a young player, you're studying, you're watching tape, but you don't really know what you are looking for."

"Now I have a plan every time I want to sit down and study, how to understand an opponent, how to understand coverages, how they work and how to put together a plan with (offensive coordinator) Josh (McDaniels) that we can have confidence in. I was so naive as a young player. I'm probably a little less naive now, but I still love the competition. I still love trying to win. It's the first love of my life and I'm still enjoying it now."

Brady has always credited his longevity to his rigorous training with Alex Guerrero. He insists he's playing beyond this season and wants to keep going until he's 45.

"A lot of work that has been done with Alex over the past 15 years has given me that opportunity and I feel that's something I owe myself to see how I can keep pushing the envelope because it is uncharted territory," Brady said. "When you're in uncharted territory, you're trying to prove things to yourself too."

"I'm very confident in my routine. I feel great this time of year. There's nothing I'm dealing with, and part of it is being in a good place mentally and physically. The reality is I don't think many people thought I would be playing like this, even though I had a great belief that I would."



MATT ROURKE/AP

Rams QB Jared Goff talks with Patriots QB Tom Brady on Monday in Atlanta.



CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTO

Walter Payton's widow, Connie, unexpectedly receives his Super Bowl ring from Phil Hong at her Barrington home in 2001.

# Very happy return

College student's honesty assured Payton's family of getting his Super Bowl ring back

By SAM FARMER | Los Angeles Times

ATLANTA — They have been lost and found, pilfered and pawned, paraded around bars and locked away in wall safes.

A Super Bowl ring is the most coveted prize in the nation's most popular sport, and the Rams and Patriots will battle Sunday for the right to wear the newest one.

As the game has grown over the years, so has the size and splendor of the reward. The first, awarded in 1967 to the Packers, had a single one-carat diamond set in a simple yet striking design. The latest, earned last year by the Eagles, had 219 diamonds and 17 green sapphires in 10-carat white gold.

Vladimir Putin might possess one of them. When Patriots owner Bob Kraft met Putin months after New England won the Super Bowl in 2005, the Russian president reportedly asked to see Kraft's ring, ended up pocketing it and never gave it back. Putin considered it a gift, and for years Kraft went along with that story. Eventually, however, it was reported that Kraft never intended to give it away, and the late Sen. John McCain requested the ring be returned.

If it was, the public doesn't know about it. There are lots of stories about rings disappearing for one reason or another. Some might be gone forever. Some resurface and eventually wind up back on the hand of the rightful owner.

Perhaps the strangest tale involves a party, the police, some blind luck — and one of the greatest players in NFL history.

The ball rolled under the couch, and Phil Hong's life took a turn for the bizarre.

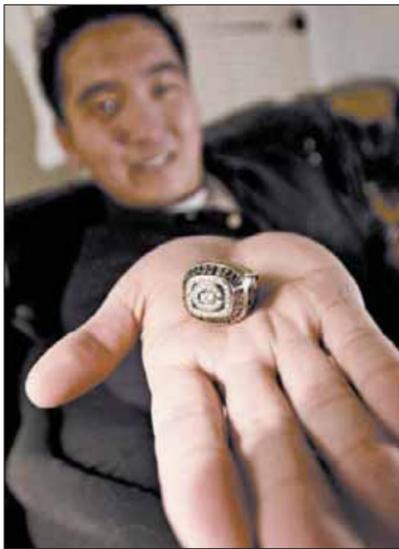
It was 2001, and Hong was winding down his college years at Purdue. He had a small apartment on campus that included a tired sofa with cracked and peeling fake leather that he'd dragged through seven moves. He had a new dog too, a rambunctious red Doberman named Bailey, who left bones and toys strewn all over the place.

Determined to get that chewed-up ball, Bailey was lying on his side and swiping his paw into the narrow space between the couch and the floor. In the process, he tore open the felt lining at the bottom of that frat-house-quality furniture.

"I went down to get his ball for him, and the ring was sitting right there," recalled Hong, 39, now a delivery manager for Dell Computers in Austin, Texas. "I instantly knew."

This was no ordinary ring, but a Super Bowl ring. And not just any Super Bowl ring, but that of legendary Bears running back Walter Payton, who had died of cancer two years earlier.

"I'm sitting there on the floor and I'm just dumbfounded," Hong said. "I'm thinking, has



SCOTT STRAZZANTE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Phil Hong holds Walter Payton's Super Bowl ring, which he found in his couch in 2001.

this thing been in this couch the whole time?"

As shocking as that incredible find was, it wasn't entirely out of the blue. Hong quickly pieced together what had happened.

Rewind to the mid-1990s, when Payton, retired from football, was a volunteer assistant basketball coach at Hoffman Estates High School. Hong was good friends with the Abruzzo family, who hosted a team party at its house.

Payton, less than a decade removed from his Hall of Fame career with the Bears, brought his ring to the party for the kids to pass around and try on. It was for inspiration — and also a bit of an exercise in trust. Hong wasn't on the team or at the party, but he heard about it.

Sure enough, by the end of the night the ring was lost. A frantic search ensued. Police were called. Suspicions took root. Nobody looked in the deepest recesses of the couch, where the sparkling ring had fallen.

The mystery went unsolved. Two years passed. As was the plan once their sons graduated from high school, the Abruzzos moved to a neighboring community — but not before unloading some of their old furniture.

"They were basically like, 'Take whatever you need for college. Go ahead and grab whatever,'" Hong said. "So I grabbed that couch, the one that had the ring in it, another love seat that came with that, a coffee table — I grabbed whatever I could."

That furniture adorned his various homes for years.

"It's miraculous that with all the moves I made prior to finding the ring that it didn't fall out," Hong said. "I had moved every single year to a different apartment for seven years. The ring could have wound up in a moving truck or, God forbid, when I kept (the furniture in storage) at my parents' house, they could have gotten sick of it and tossed it out."

But Hong kept the couch and, with Bailey's help, found the ring. Now, he had the challenge of getting it back to the Payton family.

Not only was the ring of sentimental value, but it had huge actual value. A Super Bowl ring that belonged to William "Refrigerator" Perry recently sold at auction for \$200,000.

Hong, a lifelong Bears fan who idolized Payton and quarterback Jim McMahon, never gave a thought to keeping the ring.

"There was no way I was holding onto it," he said. "I had to get it back to the family."

That was tricky because he didn't want word to get out that he had found it. Hong was worried someone might break into his apartment and steal it, so he hid it in the safest place he could find and called the football coach at his high school.

That was a dead end, but word spread like the wind.

"That night or the next night, I had friends calling me (and asking), 'Is it true?'" he said. "It was all over the Chicago news."

Scrambling now, Hong called the University of Miami, where Payton's son, Jarrett, was a running back. No luck there either. Finally, a friend of Walter Payton reached out and set up a meeting at the family home in South Barrington.

"Imagine going to Walter Payton's house," said Hong, who rolled up to that estate in a silver 1990 Ford Probe with a broken driver-side window.

"I was just dumbfounded driving up and seeing the Payton sign on the front gate."

What's more, the driveway was lined with TV cameras and reporters. Standing at the front door was Payton's grateful widow, Connie.

"I remember walking in the house and seeing the Vince Lombardi Trophy," he said. "I'd never seen it in person. Holy cow!"

Hong's lone regret?

"Man, I wish I could have found the ring a year or two before," he said. "I think about that a lot — how nice it would be, before (Payton) passed, to know the ring was safe."

"The ring is what they work for. All the players put in so much time, so much time away from their families. That was his one and only ring."

Well, not his only one. Connie informed Hong that her husband quietly had a replacement ring made. Now, in a serendipitous twist, both of the Payton children have one to keep.

WADE WILSON 1959-2019

# Longtime QB also spent time as coach with Bears

Associated Press

Wade Wilson, the quarterback who led the Vikings to an NFC championship game and coached the position with the Cowboys for 14 years, died Friday on his 60th birthday.

Wilson died at his home in the Dallas suburb of Coppell, Texas. Police said a 911 call was made from Wilson's home, where the caller said Wilson was unresponsive and CPR was in progress. Emergency personnel determined upon arrival that Wilson was dead.

Police said there was no indication of foul play and the death was under investigation.

Wilson played for five NFL



Wilson

went on to win the Super Bowl.

Wilson also played for the Falcons (1992), Saints (1993-94), Cowboys (1995-97) and Raiders (1998). He was Troy Aikman's backup when the Cowboys won their last Super Bowl title after the 1995 season.

"Sad news today as we lost a teammate far too soon," Aikman

wrote on Twitter. Aikman's final season in 2000 was Wilson's first as quarterback coach. Wilson stayed with the Cowboys for two more seasons and returned to that role from 2007-17.

Between those stints, he was the Bears quarterbacks coach from 2004-06. In 2004, Lovie Smith's first year as coach, the Bears ranked 32nd in passing yards and touchdowns under co-ordinator Terry Shea. Four QBs — Chad Hutchinson, Craig Krenzel, Rex Grossman and Jonathan Quinn — made at least three starts in a 5-11 season.

In 2005, with Ron Turner replacing Shea and Kyle Orton making 15 starts, the offense ranked 31st in passing yards and

30th in touchdowns — but the Bears finished 11-5 and made the playoffs. The offense made a big leap in 2006, when Grossman started every game and the team ranked 14th in passing yards and eighth in passing touchdowns. The 13-3 Bears advanced to Super Bowl XLI, losing to the Colts 29-17.

Wilson then returned to Dallas for the next 11 seasons. The Cowboys didn't renew his contract after 2017.

A native of Greenville, Texas, Wilson was an eighth-round draft pick by the Vikings in 1981 out of East Texas State (now Texas A&M-Commerce) and made 48 of his 69 career starts for them. He threw for 17,283 career yards and made the Pro Bowl in 1988.

## BULLS

## Bulls waive Anthony, make another trade

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

Again serving as the dumping ground to help other teams ease their luxury-tax bill, the Bulls made their third cash-related trade in four weeks on Friday, acquiring Timothe Luwawu-Cabarrot and cash from the Thunder in exchange for a heavily protected second-round pick in 2020.

Unlike the two previous deals in which the Bulls took the contracts of Michael Carter-Williams and Carmelo Anthony off the Rockets' hands to lessen their luxury-tax bill, Luwawu-Cabarrot is expected to stick.

Barring another move the Bulls plan to take a look at the athletic, 6-foot-6 wing, originally a 2016 first-round pick of the 76ers, over the final two-plus months of the season. Rookie wing Chandler Hutchison is sidelined through at least the mid-February All-Star break.

To make room for Luwawu-Cabarrot's acquisition, the Bulls waived Anthony, who was never asked to report and, assuming he clears waivers, will be a free agent. The Bulls acquired Anthony on Jan. 22.

Luwawu-Cabarrot, the 24th pick in 2016, averaged 16.5 minutes in 121 games over two seasons with the 76ers but struggled to find time with the Thunder, averaging just 5.9 minutes in 21 games.

Overall, the native of France has posted averages of 5.5 points, 1.7 rebounds and 0.9 assists and is shooting 31.7 percent on 3s in 14.9 minutes per game.

The Bulls used part of the trade exception created in their deal of Justin Holiday to the Grizzlies to fit in Luwawu-Cabarrot's rookie-scale contract. It's likely the Bulls will retain the outgoing second-round pick, which is protected to the point it might not convey to the Thunder.

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## Players wielding power in NBA

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very competitive move (to sign with the Warriors). But you know, players should have the freedom to go where they want when they have that opportunity."

Kris Dunn felt the same, saying: "Yeah, they should definitely have some say, especially the superstars. The league ain't loyal as much anymore, so it is what it is."

Dunn, though, would have no say if the Bulls choose to move him.

"Right now I'm a Bull, so be a Bull," he said. "Whatever happens down the (road), if I go to another team, I'll show my fight there."

Irving, by the way, indicated Friday he is no longer committed to signing with the Celtics long term, saying: "I don't owe anybody (bleep)."

**Ins and outs:** Jabari Parker will miss Saturday's game in Charlotte after flying to Utah because of a death in his family.

Wayne Selden, coming off one of the best games of his career (20 points, 4 of 6 on 3-pointers, eight assists) in Wednesday's victory over the Heat, sat out practice Friday with a sore left knee. He and LaVine, who did practice despite a sprained ankle, could be game-time decisions in Charlotte.

**New face:** The Bulls got 12 good minutes against the Heat from Brandon Sampson, a 6-foot-5 undrafted rookie who played three seasons at LSU.

Boylen recalled being impressed with Sampson during the G League Showcase in Las Vegas, telling general manager Gar Forman: "The kid looked like a pretty athletic dude." Forman also liked Sampson's game, and the Bulls signed him to a two-way contract with the Windy City Bulls.

Sampson hit his first two shots Wednesday, prompting this tweet from WSCR-AM 670 stat maven Jeff Mangurten: "If (Sampson) makes his next shot and retires, he will tie the NBA record for best shooting percentage in league history (no minimum). Chad Gallagher and Cozell McQueen were each 3/3 in their NBA career."

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## Pelicans' Davis: It's time to move on

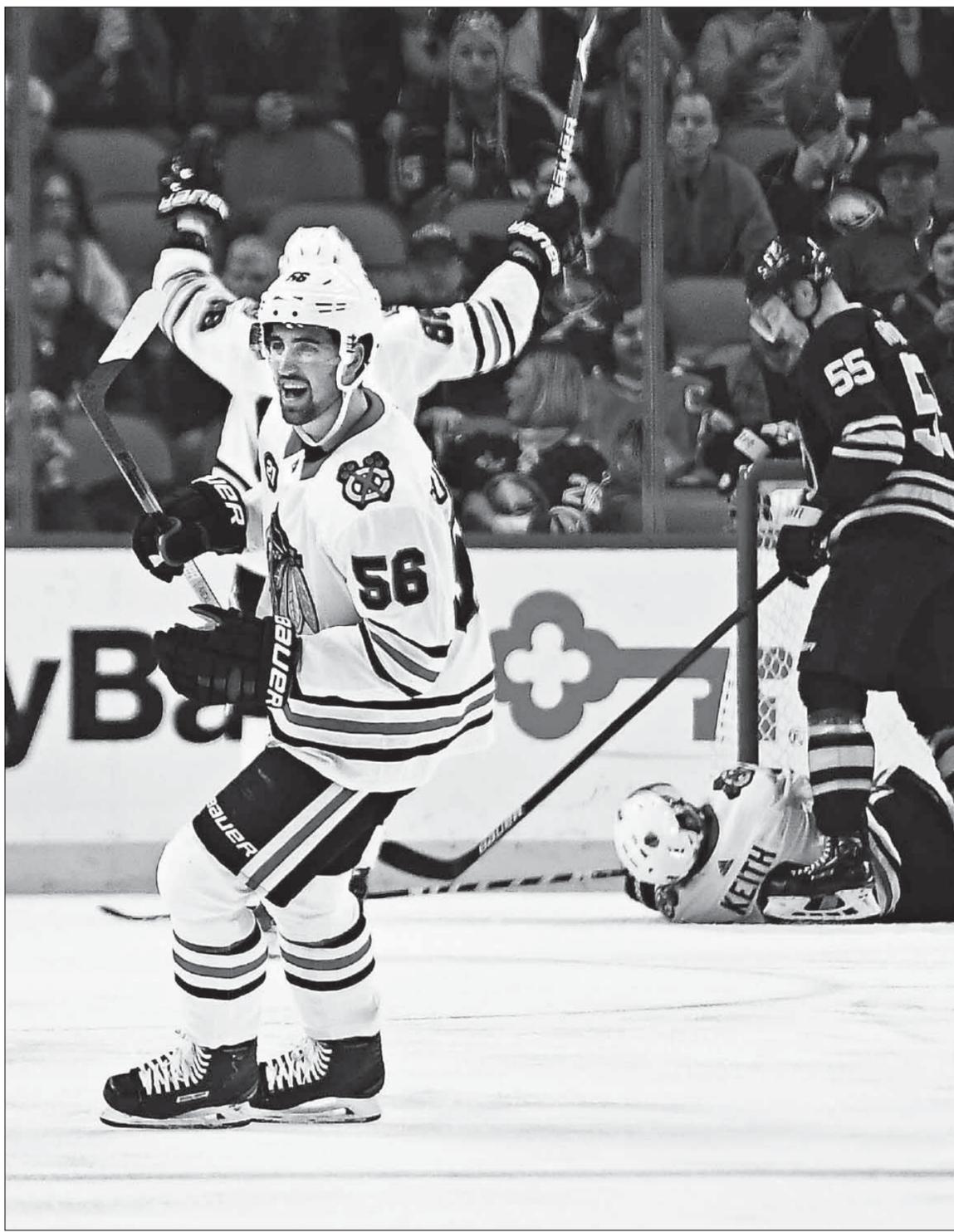
Anthony Davis said he feels like it's his time now, that he's given all he can to the Pelicans and that he's ready to move on from the team.

The All-Star informed the club that he would like to be traded but said Friday that his intention is to play as long as he's a member of the Pelicans organization.

Davis, who recently has been sidelined with a sprained left index finger, said "obviously it's a tough situation but my intention is to still play and when I'm able to play I'm going to suit up."

■ League commissioner Adam Silver added future Hall of Famers Dwyane Wade of the Heat and Dirk Nowitzki of the Mavericks to the All-Star Game later this month in Charlotte, N.C. Wade, 37, said he will retire at the end of the season, but Nowitzki, 40, hasn't yet made his plans clear. AP

## BLACKHAWKS



ADRIAN KRAUS/AP PHOTOS

Blackhawks defenseman Erik Gustafsson celebrates a goal in the second period of Friday night's victory over the Sabres in Buffalo.

## Hawks win in return

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excited to return after the long layoff, which came after consecutive wins over the Capitals and Islanders.

"Yeah, it is exciting," Colliton said. "We finished on a good note and we just want to keep it going. ... Obviously, the trend is for it to be tough coming off so many days off, but we want to break the trend."

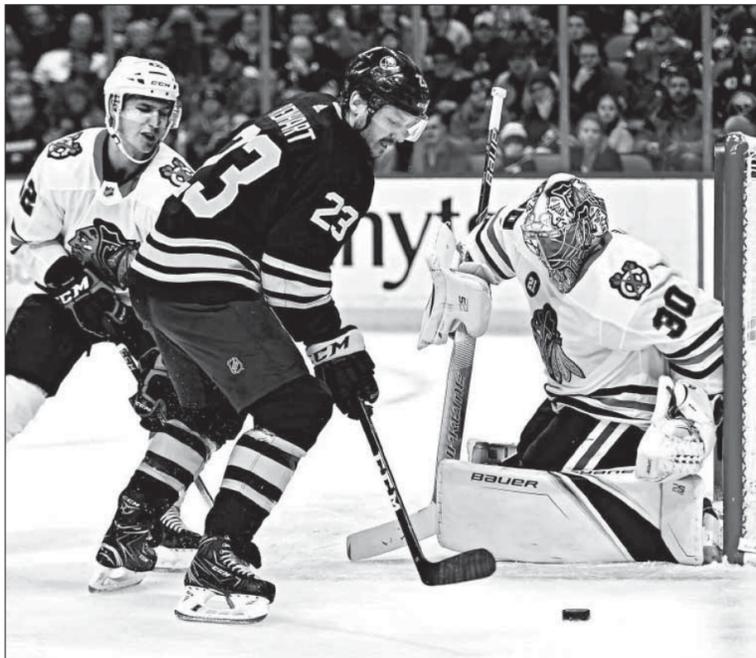
The undesired trend held true during the first period despite the Hawks taking a 1-0 lead on Drake Caggiula's first goal since being acquired from the Oilers. The Sabres controlled much of the play and held a big advantage in scoring chances while outshooting the Hawks 14-7.

Taking the early lead seemed to buoy the Hawks, who found their legs in the second. Patrick Kane scored on a breakaway 50 seconds into the period after taking a perfect pass from Erik Gustafsson, and a few minutes later Duncan Keith put back his own rebound to make it 3-0.

Kane's goal gave him a 10-game point streak, was the 900th point of his career and gave the Buffalo, N.Y., native at least one point in each of his eight career games in his hometown. He added two assists and an empty-net goal — his 31st of the season — to give him 15 points in his last five games.

"I was thinking ... it would have been nice to get it before the break and not have to think about it," Kane said. "But then you come here and you do it back at home with a lot of people here ... knowing it's the 900th, that's pretty exciting. It makes it even better."

After Eichel's goal late in the second seemed to give the Sabres life, Brandon Saad finished off a 2-on-1 with David



Sabres center Sam Reinhart (23) looks for a rebound after a save by Blackhawks goalie Cam Ward in the second period of the Hawks' victory Friday night in Buffalo.

Kampf with 20.6 seconds remaining for his 16th of the season to restore the Hawks' 3-goal advantage.

The Sabres scored a pair of third-period goals to pull within one, but Connor Murphy answered with a blistering wrist shot to make it 5-3 with 8:36 remaining. After Kane's second goal, Saad scored his

second with 38 seconds left.

Cam Ward, who finished with 40 saves, was brilliant in the third, stopping Jeff Skinner twice in one sequence to prevent a tie.

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## BLACKHAWKS NOTES

## Keith refuses to discuss possibility of a trade

By JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

BUFFALO, N.Y. — With the Feb. 25 trade deadline a little more than three weeks away, it's silly season in the NHL.

But Duncan Keith isn't playing that game.

TSN's Pierre LeBrun said Thursday that the Blackhawks will approach Keith this month about waiving his no-movement clause. Keith responded Friday that he hasn't been approached and he wouldn't speculate on whether he would accept a trade to a playoff contender.

"I'm not going to start getting into all that and create a bunch of stories about what I would do, speculate on how I would feel," Keith said. "Not getting into that."

Trading a legendary figure in Hawks history such as Keith would be a franchise-altering decision. He has won three

Stanley Cups, two Norris Trophies and a Conn Smythe Trophy and has played the third-most games in a Hawks uniform after Stan Mikita and Brent Seabrook.

However, the Hawks are on track to miss the playoffs for a second straight season and could be interested in retooling their defense.

Despite being two years older than Seabrook, the 35-year-old Keith is viewed as a better trade option because he is still a top-four defenseman and has only four years on his contract. Seabrook, who also has a full no-movement clause, has five years remaining and a \$6.875 million cap hit.

It's easy to see how Keith's reasonable contract and playoff experience would be attractive to a Stanley Cup contender. If the Hawks do approach Keith at some point about waiving the clause, he's not

ready to say what he would do.

"I haven't thought about it," he said. "I like it here in Chicago, and nobody's mentioned anything to me."

**One-timers:** Defenseman Gustav Forsling (upper torso) was activated from injured reserve and played his first game since Jan. 3. ... Defenseman Slater Koekoek and forward Brendan Perlini were healthy scratches ... Patrick Kane led the NHL with 14 assists and 21 points in 10 games and was named the NHL's Third Star of January. Flames forward Johnny Gaudreau was named First Star with eight goals and 10 assists in 11 games. ... Chris Kunitz played in the 996th game of his career Friday and if he does not miss any games would hit the 1,000-game mark Feb. 10 against the Red Wings at the United Center.

# SCOREBOARD

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<b>MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL</b>		
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<b>11 a.m.</b>	St. John's at Duke	ESPN
<b>11 a.m.</b>	Oklahoma at West Virginia	ESPN2
<b>11 a.m.</b>	Memphis at South Florida	ESPNU
<b>11 a.m.</b>	Seton Hall at Butler	FS1
<b>11 a.m.</b>	Kent State at Ball State	CBSSN
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Notre Dame at Boston College	WMVP-AM 1000
<b>1 p.m.</b>	North Carolina at Louisville	ESPN
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Texas at Iowa State	ESPNU
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Tulsa at Wichita State	ESPNU
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Valparaiso at Evansville	NBCSCH
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Southern Illinois at Bradley	CBSSN
<b>1 p.m.</b>	Virginia Tech at North Carolina State	WCUI-26.2
<b>1:15 p.m.</b>	Nebraska at Illinois	BTN, WSCR-AM 670
<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	Providence at DePaul	FS1, WYLL-AM 1160
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Texas Tech at Kansas	CBS-2
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Kentucky at Florida	ESPN
<b>3 p.m.</b>	UCLA at Washington	ESPN2
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Saint Louis at Rhode Island	CBSSN
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Miami at Virginia	WCUI-26.2
<b>3:30 p.m.</b>	Massachusetts at St. Joseph's	NBCSN
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Indiana at Michigan State	ESPN
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Syracuse at Pittsburgh	ESPN2
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Kansas State at Oklahoma State	ESPNU
<b>5 p.m.</b>	Boise State at Nevada	CBSSN
<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	George Mason at VCU	NBCSN
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Tennessee at Texas A&M	ESPN
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Alabama at Auburn	ESPN2
<b>7 p.m.</b>	TCU at Baylor	ESPNU
<b>7 p.m.</b>	SMU at Cincinnati	CBSSN
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Missouri State at Northern Iowa	NBCSCH+
<b>9 p.m.</b>	Loyola at Illinois State	ESPN2
<b>9 p.m.</b>	New Mexico at Fresno State	ESPNU

BOXING	9 p.m.	ESPN
<b>9 p.m.</b>	Eleider Alvarez vs. Sergey Kovalev	ESPN

GOLF	Noon	Golf Channel
<b>Noon</b>	Phoenix Open	Golf Channel
<b>2 p.m.</b>	Phoenix Open	NBC-5
<b>3:30 a.m.</b>	Saudi International	Golf Channel

NHL	Noon	NHL Network
<b>Noon</b>	Oilers at Flyers	NHL Network
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Lightning at Rangers	NBC-5

AHL	7 p.m.	WPWR-50
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Moose at Wolves	WPWR-50

COLLEGE HOCKEY	4:30 p.m.	BTN
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Wisconsin at Michigan State	BTN
<b>7 p.m.</b>	Notre Dame at Ohio State	BTN

BUNDESLIGA SOCCER	8:30 a.m.	FS1
<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	Eintracht Frankfurt vs. Borussia Dortmund	FS1
<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	Leverkusen vs. Bayern Munich	FS2
<b>11:20 a.m.</b>	Schalke vs. Borussia Monchengladbach	FS2

PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER	6:25 a.m.	NBCSN
<b>6:25 a.m.</b>	Tottenham Hotspur vs. Newcastle United	NBCSN
<b>8:55 a.m.</b>	Chelsea vs. Huddersfield Town	NBCSN
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Cardiff City vs. Bournemouth	NBC-5

LIGA MX SOCCER	9 p.m.	FS1
<b>9 p.m.</b>	Club Tijuana vs. Deportivo Toluca	FS1

TENNIS	4 a.m.	Tennis Channel
<b>4 a.m.</b>	Thailand Open	Tennis Channel
<b>5 a.m.</b>	Thailand Open	Tennis Channel

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL	3 p.m.	NBCSCH
<b>3 p.m.</b>	Penn State at Loyola	NBCSCH

X GAMES	2 p.m.	ABC-7
<b>2 p.m.</b>	Winter X Games Aspen	ABC-7

COLLEGE BASKETBALL	HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED FRIDAY
1. Tennessee (19-1) did not play. Next: at Texas A&M, Saturday.	1. Duke (18-2) did not play. Next: vs. St. John's, Saturday.
2. Virginia (19-1) did not play. Next: vs. Miami, Saturday.	2. Virginia (19-1) did not play. Next: vs. Miami, Saturday.
3. Gonzaga (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina, Saturday.	3. Gonzaga (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina, Saturday.
4. Michigan (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Tuesday.	4. Michigan (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Tuesday.
5. Kentucky (17-3) did not play. Next: at Florida, Saturday.	5. Kentucky (17-3) did not play. Next: at Florida, Saturday.
6. Nevada (20-1) did not play. Next: vs. Boise State, Saturday.	6. Nevada (20-1) did not play. Next: vs. Boise State, Saturday.
7. North Carolina (16-4) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Louisville, Saturday.	7. North Carolina (16-4) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Louisville, Saturday.
8. Marquette (19-3) did not play. Next: vs. St. John's, Tuesday.	8. Marquette (19-3) did not play. Next: vs. St. John's, Tuesday.
9. Kansas (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Texas Tech, Saturday.	9. Kansas (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Texas Tech, Saturday.
10. Virginia Tech (17-3) did not play. Next: at N.C. State, Saturday.	10. Virginia Tech (17-3) did not play. Next: at N.C. State, Saturday.
11. Houston (21-1) did not play. Next: at UCF, Thursday.	11. Houston (21-1) did not play. Next: at UCF, Thursday.
12. Villanova (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. Georgetown, Sunday.	12. Villanova (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. Georgetown, Sunday.
13. Louisville (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.	13. Louisville (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.
14. Texas Tech (17-4) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Kansas, Saturday.	14. Texas Tech (17-4) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Kansas, Saturday.
15. Purdue (15-6) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday.	15. Purdue (15-6) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday.
16. Buffalo (19-3) lost to Bowling Green 92-88. Next: vs. Central Michigan, Feb. 9.	16. Buffalo (19-3) lost to Bowling Green 92-88. Next: vs. Central Michigan, Feb. 9.
17. LSU (17-3) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Saturday.	17. LSU (17-3) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Saturday.
18. Iowa State (16-5) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Wednesday.	18. Iowa State (16-5) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Wednesday.
19. Mississippi State (15-5) did not play. Next: at Mississippi, Saturday.	19. Mississippi State (15-5) did not play. Next: at Mississippi, Saturday.
20. N.C. State (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.	20. N.C. State (16-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.
21. Wisconsin (15-6) vs. No. 21 Maryland. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.	21. Wisconsin (15-6) vs. No. 21 Maryland. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.
22. Florida State (15-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.	22. Florida State (15-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Saturday.

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED FRIDAY
1. Baylor (18-1) did not play. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.
2. UConn (18-2) did not play. Next: at Cincinnati, Saturday.
3. Louisville (20-1) did not play. Next: at Clemson, Saturday.
4. Oregon (19-1) vs. No. 14 Utah. Next: vs. Colorado, Sunday.
5. Notre Dame (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Sunday.
6. Mississippi State (20-1) did not play. Next: at Alabama, Sunday.
7. N.C. State (21-0) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina, Sunday.
8. Stanford (17-3) did not play. Next: vs. California, Saturday.
9. Oregon State (17-3) vs. Colorado. Next: vs. No. 14 Utah, Sunday.
10. Marquette (18-3) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Sunday.
11. Maryland (19-2) did not play. Next: at Illinois, Monday.
12. Texas (17-4) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Saturday.
13. Iowa (16-5) lost to Michigan 90-81. Next: at Penn State, Sunday.
14. Utah (18-1) at No. 4 Oregon. Next: at No. 9 Oregon State, Sunday.
15. Gonzaga (20-2) did not play. Next: at Saint Mary's, Saturday.
16. South Carolina (15-5) did not play. Next: at Arkansas, Sunday.
17. Rutgers (17-4) did not play. Next: at Minnesota, Saturday.
18. Syracuse (17-4) did not play. Next: at No. 3 Louisville, Thursday.
19. Kentucky (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. Florida, Sunday.
20. Texas A&M (17-4) did not play. Next: at Mississippi, Sunday.
21. Arizona State (15-5) beat Arizona 60-47. Next: at Washington State, Thursday.
22. Michigan State (15-5) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Sunday.
23. Iowa State (16-5) did not play. Next: at Kansas State, Saturday.
24. Florida State (18-3) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Sunday.
25. BYU (17-4) did not play. Next: at Pepperdine, Saturday.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS	EAST
<b>MEN</b>	Butler 73, St. John's 68
<b>MIDWEST</b>	Dartmouth 81, Brown 61
	Green Bay 90, Milwaukee 74
	IUPUI 83, N. Kentucky 77
	Iowa 74, Michigan 59
	North Dakota 74, W. Illinois 73
<b>EAST</b>	Brown 60, Dartmouth 58
	Cornell 88, Penn 71
	Davidson 75, St. Bonaventure 66
	Harvard 65, Yale 49
	Princeton 55, Columbia 43
<b>WEST</b>	Hawaii 74, Long Beach St. 57

U.S. MEN	Saturday
<b>Saturday</b>	Costa Rica in San Jose, Cal., 3
<b>Tue, March 26</b>	Chile in Houston, 7
<b>a-Tue, June 18</b>	TBA in St. Paul, Minn.
<b>a-Wed, June 22</b>	TBA in Cleveland
<b>a-Wed, June 28</b>	TBA in Kansas City, Kan.

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE CLUB	W	T	L	GF	GA	PTS
Liverpool	18	4	1	55	34	61
Tottenham	18	2	4	63	19	56
Manchester United	18	6	5	24	54	54
Arsenal	14	5	5	30	37	47
Chelsea	14	5	5	40	23	47
Man United	13	6	5	48	35	45
Wolverhampton	10	9	30	30	32	33
Everton	9	6	9	35	33	35
Watford	9	6	9	37	34	33
Bournemouth	10	3	11	47	42	33
Leicester	9	5	10	30	32	32
West Ham	9	4	11	30	37	31
Brighton	7	5	12	27	36	26
Newcastle	6	6	12	21	32	24
Crystal Palace	6	5	13	24	33	23
Southampton	5	8	11	26	41	23
Burnley	6	5	13	25	23	23
Cardiff	5	4	15	20	46	19
Everton	4	5	15	23	53	17
Huddersfield	2	5	17	13	41	11

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE	Time
Tottenham vs. Newcastle	6:30 a.m.
Quinnipiac vs. Monmouth	9 a.m.
Burnley vs. Southampton	9 a.m.
Crystal Palace vs. Fulham	9 a.m.
Chelsea vs. Huddersfield	9 a.m.
Everton vs. Wolverhampton	9 a.m.
Cardiff vs. Bournemouth	11:30 a.m.

## NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE												
ATLANTIC		GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV	
Tampa Bay	51	38	11	2	78	202	144	205-0	18-6-2	12-3-0		
Toronto*	49	30	17	2	62	174	140	14-11-1	16-6-1	7-6-2		
Montreal	51	28	18	5	61	154	149	14-10-2	14-8-3	9-5-4		
Boston	51	27	17	7	61	148	135	17-7-3	10-10-4	12-6-2		
Buffalo	51	25	20	6	56	148	156	14-7-3	11-13-3	8-6-3		
Florida	49	20	21	8	48	153	174	10-7-5	10-14-3	9-5-3		
Washington*	51	19	27	7	45	145	152	10-12-4	9-13-3	11-5-1		
Ottawa	51	19	27	5	43	159	192	12-10-4	7-17-1	6-8-2		

METRO												
GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV			
N.Y. Islanders	50	29	15	6	64	147	123	14-7-4	15-8-2	13-5-1		
Pittsburgh	51	28	17	6	62	181	157	15-9-2	13-8-4	7-6-1		
Washington	51	28	17	6	62	175	165	14-8-4	14-9-2	9-4-2		
Columbus	50	28	19	3	59	161	155	14-10-2-4	14-9-1	11-5-1		
Carolina	51	25	20	6	54	145	151	14-8-4	11-12-2	7-7-2		
N.Y. Rangers	50	22	21	7	51	143	168	13-7-5	9-14-2	5-8-3		
Philadelphia	51	22	23	6	50	146	172	11-10-3	11-13-3	5-8-1		
New Jersey	50	19	24	7	45	149	171	13-7-4	6-17-3	7-9-1		

WESTERN CONFERENCE												
CENTRAL		GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV	
Winnipeg	51	33	16	2	68	176	143	19-6-2	14-10-0	10-7-0		
Nashville	53	31	18	4	66	165	136	16-9-0	15-9-4	8-5-0		
Minnesota*	50	26	21	3	142	142	13-9-2	13-12-0	9-4-1			
Dallas	50	25	21	4	52	127	128	6-5-2	9-13-2	5-6-1		
Colorado	50	22	20	8	52	169	162	10-8-5	12-12-3	4-7-3		
St. Louis	49	22	22	5	49	139	149	12-13-2	10-9-3	6-4-3		
Chicago	52	19	24	9	47	163	193	10-10-6	9-14-3	9-4-3		

PACIFIC												
GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV			
Calgary	52	33	14	5	71	193	149	17-4-5	16-10-0	9-5-1		
San Jose	52	29	16	7	65	187	167	17-4-4	12-12-3	10-4-3		
Vegas	53	29	20	4	62	159	145	16-6-3	13-14-1	11-4-2		
Vancouver	51	23	22	6	52	147	161	12-10-3	11-12-3	6-5-3		
Anaheim	51	21	21	9	51	120	153	10-8-8	11-13-1	5-6-3		
Arizona	50	23	23	4	50	132	142	9-12-3	14-11-1	8-7-1		



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Workers load bags and equipment onto a moving truck Friday at Wrigley Field as the Cubs prepare to travel to Mesa, Ariz., for the start of spring training later this month.

## CUBS NOTES

# All systems still go for work at Wrigley

By TIM BANNON | Chicago Tribune

The Cubs packed their bats, jerseys and other equipment Friday morning into a single semitrailer, which was scheduled to leave Wrigley Field in the afternoon bound for spring training in Arizona.

Pitchers and catchers report Feb. 12 to the team's complex in Mesa, Ariz. Their first official workout will be Feb. 13, and the first full-squad workout is set for Feb. 18.

Meanwhile, Cubs said the latest Wrigley renovations are on track and the ballpark will be ready for the home opener April 8 against the Pirates.

"Everything's on schedule right now," Colin Faulkner, senior vice president of sales and marketing, said Friday. "People have asked given the weather we've had this week, but we've had guys out there working and things are on plan."

Faulkner also announced that single-game tickets will go on sale at 10 a.m. on Feb. 22. All tickets will now be electronic, available via the MLB Ballpark app. Season ticket holders were given the option of paying extra (\$150 per seat) for paper tickets, but Faulkner said few chose that option.

Among the most significant renovations this season are new upper-deck concession areas and restrooms, three new clubs inside the park and a new bar where the former Captain Morgan Club/Draft Kings Fantasy Zone stood near Addison and Sheffield.

Also, three seasons after the home team got a new clubhouse, the counterpart on the first-base side will be renovated. It long has been considered one of the smallest in the major leagues.

The regular season begins March 28 in Arlington, Texas, against the Rangers. The Cubs travel to Atlanta and Milwaukee before heading home.

**Another arm:** The Cubs signed free-agent reliever Tony Barnette to a one-year contract. Barnette, 35, has a 3.50 ERA in 125 appearances with the Rangers (2016-18),



Despite the recent below-zero temperatures, work has continued on the latest round of Wrigley Field renovations. Cubs officials say everything is still on schedule.

including a 2.39 ERA and 0.911 WHIP in 22 appearances in 2018. He missed the second half of '18 because of a right shoulder strain.

Barnette's \$750,000 base salary would increase to \$1 million if he spends one day on the active major-league roster. His contract includes incentives for games pitched and days spent on the major-league roster.

The team option for 2020 is \$3 million. Left-hander Ian Clarkin cleared waivers and was sent outright to Triple-A Iowa. The Cubs' 40-man roster is at 39.

**Night move:** ESPN announced it will carry the Cubs-Nationals game May 19 in Washington as part of its "Sunday Night Baseball" coverage, with a 6 p.m. start. The Cubs will now play on three consecutive Sunday nights — they host the Cardinals on May 5 and the Brewers on May 12.

Tribune's Mark Gonzales contributed.

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Kansas' aim: 'Figure it out'

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — The preseason prediction atop the Big 12 this year looked much like the final standings for the last 14, with Kansas on top after garnering just about every vote from the league's coaches.

Oklahoma State coach Mike Boynton picked Kansas State.

"I just took a step back from what the perception maybe is of who should win the league every year, and looked at it on what I believed was the most experienced team," he explained. "That was K-State."

That was before Kansas lost Udoka Azubuike for the season, too.

Now, the No. 11 Jayhawks head into Saturday's showdown with No. 16 Texas Tech at Allen Fieldhouse having lost three of their last four games. Once ranked No. 1 in the country, they're now 16-5 and just 5-3 in the Big 12, and staring up at four teams above them in the jumbled conference race.

The Wildcats are one of them. So are the Red Raiders, Iowa State and surprising Baylor.

Perhaps Boynton was onto something. Then again, the Jayhawks have been in similarly dire straits eight games into the league season and rebounded to win the Big 12 title. Sometimes its closest rivals melted down trying to snap the longest league championship streak in NCAA history, but often the Jayhawks just ironed out their problems when it began to matter the most.

"We just got to kind of figure it out," Jayhawks coach Bill Self said. "We're a different team than what we were a few weeks ago. It doesn't mean worse. It doesn't mean better. It means different. But we have to figure it out. We haven't played well the last few weeks."

Not surprisingly, that coincides with Azubuike's season-ending surgery on a torn wrist tendon.

In the meantime, nobody is giving Kansas any pity.

"You've still got to play your best game of the year to win at Kansas," Texas Tech coach Chris Beard said. "Every player has to contribute in a positive way and you're going to have to hit some shots."

## NHL

# NHL embraces Black History Month

The NHL will celebrate Black History Month for the first time, shifting its focus in February from its wide-ranging "Hockey Is For Everyone" campaign to emphasize racial diversity in the sport.

The league and NHL Players' Association announced the joint initiative Friday. It includes a traveling mobile museum devoted to the history of minorities in hockey predating Willie O'Ree breaking the color barrier in 1958 and going up to the present day. The museum will debut outside Madison Square Garden in New York on Saturday.

As part of this, "Hockey Is For Everyone" is expanding to year-round. March

will be gender-equality month, and the plan is to add acknowledgement of Hispanic heritage and "First Nations" next season.

There are roughly 20 black players currently on NHL rosters, though executive vice president of social impact, growth initiatives and legislative affairs Kim Davis said there's strong minority representation at youth levels.

■ The Penguins acquired F Nick Bjugstad, 26, and F Jared McCann, 22, from the Panthers for F Derick Brassard and F Riley Sheahan and three 2019 draft picks.

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## Chicago Tribune Death Notices

Chicago Tribune extends our condolences to the families and loved ones of those who have passed.

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## Death Notices

### Bayne, Paul

Paul Bayne, 87 of Glenview passed away peacefully due to cancer on January 7, 2019. His beloved wife of 60 years, Lorraine, was by his side. He is survived by his son John (Leslie) of North Carolina; Step grandsons Ryan (Sharon) and Justin (Amber) Idstein and their new Baby Mia. Paul is also survived by his younger son Eric, and two grandkids, as well as his brother, Bob (Nancy) of Florida and 3 nephews. He worked at S&C Electric for 25 years after which he became owner/manager of rental property in Glenview and Long Grove. A Celebration of Life will be held February 4th at 11:00 am at Ridgewood Memorial Park, 9900 Milwaukee Ave., DesPlaines. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Seaside Seabird Sanctuary, 18328 Gulf Blvd., Indian Shores, Fl. or other charity of your choice.

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### Galvin (Ambroz), Gloria Mae

Beloved Wife, Daughter, Mother & Bema, was called Home to Heaven on 1/26/19, after 93 years of a Wonderful Life. Born to Arthur & Edna Ambroz, who preceded her in death along with Beloved Husband Donald, Daughter Teri & Grandson Keith. Gloria leaves behind 7 children, Teri (John) Scheidt, Daniel (Kim) Galvin, Thomas (Mary) Galvin, Eva Pacifico and Ray Scheulin, Diane (Dan) Miller, Lory (Mike) Jasmer & Kim (Bill) McGrath. 16 Grandchildren, 26 Great Grandchildren, & 1 great great grandchild.

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### Levin, Blossom Willens

November 24, 1920-January 28, 2019



Blossom Willens Levin died peacefully at home in San Francisco on January 28, 2019, at age 98. A native of Chicago who moved to San Francisco 11 years ago, Blossom was the beloved wife of Irving Jerome Levin, and mother of Sue Ann, Myron, Irving and Jonathan. Smart, thoughtful and outspoken, Blossom was loving but tough, and possessed of a keen intellect, a great spirit of adventure and a strong sense of social responsibility and commitment to her family, community and country.

Blossom was the daughter of George and Mollie Willens and older sister to Geraldine Sobel and Betty Baruck Rubin. A graduate of Chicago's Senn High School and a two-year program at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, Blossom completed her undergraduate education at the University of Chicago, graduating in 1941. Although her ambition was to become a museum curator, she also was determined to do her part to end the evils of fascism and anti-Semitism and was in the early group of officers in the women's branch of the U.S. Navy, known as the WAVES, rising to the rank of Lieutenant JG. After the war, she met her husband Irving. They married in 1947 and made their home in Michigan City, Indiana. Blossom became the designer for the family clothing business, Society Lingerie Company, headed by her husband. She was active in all manner of projects and causes supported by her synagogue, Sinai Temple, as well as in the larger community. When her children were old enough, she volunteered at the Oriental Institute at the University of Chicago and worked on archaeological digs in Israel and at Native American sites in the rural U.S.

After Irving died in 1978, Blossom moved to Chicago, to the Lincoln Park neighborhood near where she had grown up. She became involved in a variety of community activities while maintaining her deep connection to Michigan City. She never became a museum curator, but she did become a docent for the Art Institute of Chicago and the Chicago Architecture Foundation, conducting tours and outreach into her 80's. She served on the board of the Chicago chapter of the American Jewish Committee and joined a weekly Torah study group at Chicago's Emanuel Congregation. She traveled to remote locales like Ethiopia, Nepal and Cuba, long before those places were easily accessible or in vogue.

In late 2007, Blossom made her way to San Francisco. She would leave her son Jonathan and his family, who lived in northern Indiana, but the winters had become too difficult. Her daughter Sue Ann lived in the Bay Area and her two other sons lived on the West Coast. It was in this last phase of her life that Blossom, who had been a single person for 30 years, found a cherished partner in Arthur Inerfield. They traveled together and were inseparable. There also was sadness and loss. Sister Gerry passed away in 2007; Jonathan, her youngest child, died suddenly and unexpectedly in 2008; Arthur died in 2017, and in 2018, Blossom lost her sister Betty and son-in-law Bob Schiff.

Blossom is survived by her children Sue Ann Schiff and Myron and Irving Levin; daughters-in-law Zoe Walrond, Stephanie Fowler and Frenda Levin; grandchildren Robert and David Schiff (Sue Ann), Zachary Rouse and Kate Molly Levin (Myron), Gabriel, Elizabeth, Joshua and Alexander Levin (Irving), and Ben and Mollie Levin (Jonathan), as well as four great grandchildren, six nieces and nephews, and numerous grand nieces and nephews.

Services will be held on Sunday, February 3, at 1pm at Sinai Temple in Michigan City, with burial at the Sinai Temple Cemetery. Donations in Blossom's memory may be made to the Blossom and Irving Levin Jewish Cultural Fund of Sinai Temple, Michigan City, Indiana; American Jewish World Service, or a charity of your choosing.

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### Rehmer, Terese

Terese (nee Chaplick) Rehmer, age 71, of LaGrange; beloved wife of Donald R. Rehmer for 45 years; loving mother of Brian (Kelly) Rehmer & Michael (Rosemary) Rehmer; devoted Mimi of Annie, Leo, Julie, & Max; dear sister of Rose Lynn (James) Wicklander; cherished aunt & friend of many. Visitation 3 to 9 p.m. on Monday, February 4 at



Hallowell & James Funeral Home, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Funeral prayers at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, February 5, from the funeral home to St. John of the Cross Church, Western Springs. Mass at 9:45 a.m. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Terese's memory to Pillars Community Health or your favorite charity are appreciated. Funeral info: (708) 352-6500 or [hfunerals.com](http://hfunerals.com)

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### Sereik, Robert 'DJ Bob'

Robert "DJ Bob" Sereik, age 70, of Woodridge. US Army Veteran. Beloved father of Wesley Sereik. Loving step-father of Michael Jares. Devoted step-grandfather of two. Dear brother of John (Mary Lawrie) Sereik. Fond cousin of Deborah (Fred) Lebed. DJ Bob was greatly cherished and will be missed by many friends, whom he considered family. Visitation 3 to 9pm Monday, February 4, 2019, where a few words of remembrance will be said by family that evening, at Hallowell & James Funeral Home, 301 75th St., Downers Grove. Meet at 11am Tuesday, February 5th directly at the cemetery office of St. Casimir Catholic Cemetery, 4401 W. 111th St., Chicago, IL 60655 for Chapel Prayers and Interment. For Information: 630-964-6500 or [hfunerals.com](http://hfunerals.com)

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### Stamis, Constantine

Constantine Stamis quietly passed on January 29, 2019. He was born in Chania, Crete, Greece. He is survived by his wife, Athanasia, Ethel (Regas) and three daughters, Penelope (Dr. Spyridon) Theodorakis, their daughters, Genevieve, Alexia and Emanuelle; Cynthia (Nicholas) Aretakis, their sons Alexander and Christopher and Lydia (Patrick) Ryan and their children, Isabelle, Kate and Jack. Constantine, a WWII Naval Veteran, Archon Megas Depoutatos in the Greek Orthodox faith, President of the Lions Club, and served in many capacities for his church, St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, for the Chicago Fraternal Cretan Organization and the National PanCretan Organization of the United States. He was a graduate of the University of Michigan. A father, grandfather, leader, friend and mentor, well loved and respected. Visitation is set for Monday, February 4, from 9:30-10:30 am at St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, 2350 E. Dempster St., Des Plaines with a Funeral Service to follow immediately after and interment at Elmwood Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Pancretan Endowment Fund for Mathesis and mailed to Anna Giannoulis, 6007 N. Sheridan Rd. 30A, Chicago, IL 60660. Arrangements by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please call 847-375-0095.



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### Straus, Henry

Henry Straus, 90. Beloved husband for 63 years of Judy nee Levy. Loving father of Lynn (Jim) Denton, David (Lynn) Straus and Susan (Dan Zove) Straus. Proud grandfather of Allie, Sarah, Colton, Trevor, Joel, and Joshua. Service Monday, February 4th at 12 noon at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road) Skokie. Interment will be Tuesday, February 5th at 12 noon at Jewish Oakridge Cemetery, 4301 W. Roosevelt Road, Hillside. Memorials may be made to the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, IL 60077, [www.ilholocaustmuseum.org](http://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org) where he would often speak to students, or The Selfhelp Home, 908 W. Argyle St., Chicago, IL 60640, [www.selfhelphome.org](http://www.selfhelphome.org) where he proudly served on the board for many years. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjinfo.com](http://www.cjinfo.com)



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### Terusaki, Stuart G.

Stuart G. Terusaki, 74, at rest Jan. 25, 2019. He was born April 21, 1944 in New Jersey, was a former resident of Chicago and a Lane Tech Alumni. Stuart was a former Chicago Police Officer and a US Army veteran of Vietnam. He enjoyed cards, racing and was an avid black jack player. Surviving are his wife Valerie; sister Robin Terusaki, Step Daughter, Heather (John) Mueller, Step Grandson Aaron and many other friends and family members. Private services were held from the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Info: 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).



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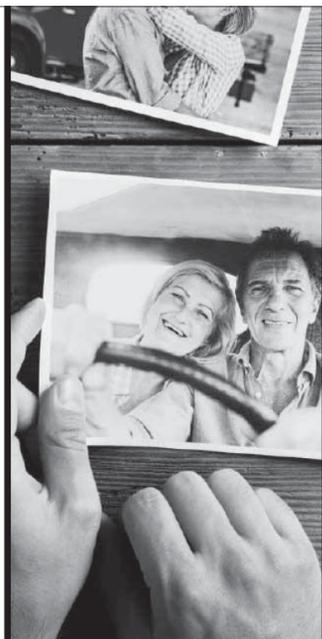
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### Waeske, Herbert

Herbert P. Waeske, 92; loving husband of the late Della nee Walsh; adoring father of Donna (John) Biesiada, Karen (Lawrence) Hamilton, Debra (Steven) Maynard, and Jennifer (Dennis) Michalski; cherished grandfather of Kristen, Courtney, Brian, Kaitlyn, James, Patrick, Christopher, Timothy, Allison, Kaley, Kyle, Bridget, and Brianna; caring great grandfather of Gavin, Shealyn, Nathan, Aubree, Zachary, Sean, and Bernadette; fond uncle of many; faithful dog lover of many, the latest being Cleo. Funeral Monday 9:15 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home**, 5917 W Irving Park Rd to St. Bartholomew Church, Mass 10 AM. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 2-7 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Rainbow Hospice or Anti Cruelty Society. For info 773-777-3944 or www.GFFH.com

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### Weissbluth, Linda

Linda Weissbluth passed away at her home on January 23, 2019 surrounded by her family.



Linda was born in Chicago and graduated from North Shore Country Day School in Winnetka in 1959. When young, she loved reading, studying Latin, and playing the cello. Her classmates described her as extremely friendly and always in the

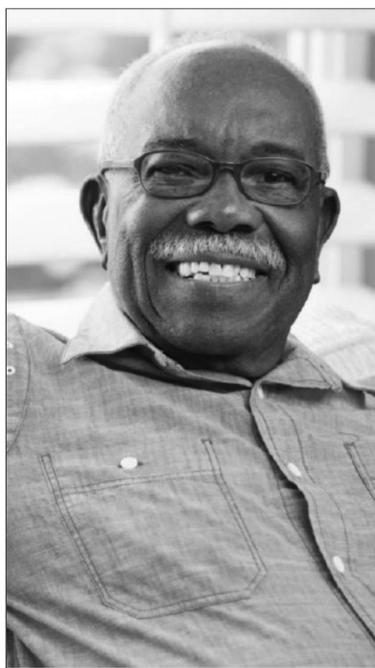
library. She enrolled in Mt. Holyoke College where she majored in Russian language and literature and graduated in 1963. One college highlight was bussing, with classmates, to Washington, D.C. to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation where MLK delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech. After graduation, Linda helped her mother and brother for several months, then, on a whim, she applied to the Russian Studies program at Stanford University where she started in the Spring Quarter of 1964. When classes resumed in the fall of 1964, she met her future husband, Marc, in the Stanford Main Library. On their first "date", they went on a motorcycle ride. Four weeks later, he invited her on a herpetology expedition to Mexico for the winter break and on this exciting lizard-chasing adventure, in Topolobampo, they decided to get married. They were married May 2, 1965 and a month later, Linda received her Master's Degree from Stanford University. Linda was always intellectually curious and when her four sons were growing up, she would often say, "What good is money if you can't spend it on education." But she also was fond of saying, "Don't let school interfere with your education" and thus, annually, she would declare a school holiday in the fall when the apple orchards had their first day for picking. She and her four sons would return with bushels for the neighbors, local firemen, and to make homemade apple pies and apple sauce. Linda also loved to garden, from planter boxes in married student quarters at Stanford to large plots in Winnetka starting in 1973. She loved taking her young sons to the Chicago Botanical Garden and watching it develop.

She was a nurturer, always generous with a radiant smile and infectious laugh. She devoted herself to her family. Friday Sabbath meals were elaborate events and she joked that she had to begin preparing on Thursday mornings. She was always an optimist. "Today is the first day of the rest of your life" was her refrain to help her children overcome a difficulty. In 1990, she moved to the Streeterville neighborhood of Chicago. Linda was an adventurer with a ready willingness to try new things. She discovered the Northwestern University Medical School Galter Library across the street and decided to investigate why babies might cry a lot in the evening hours. This led to her publishing three research papers on the effects of melatonin on intestinal smooth muscles in 1991 and one paper on Sudden Infant Death Syndrome in 1994. In 1994, she took courses in office medical management and became Office Administrator in a pediatric practice. In 1995, she succeeded in obtaining permission to develop a rubble strewn one-acre lot at 600 North Lake Shore Drive into a community garden. She single-handedly organized neighborhood volunteers and civic organizations to donate trees and plants. Linda continued to play her cello as an adult, go to symphonies and the opera. She enjoyed tandem bike riding, tennis, dancing the Tango, and Yoga. In 2000, Linda got the travel bug and made annual international trips from watching Alaskan brown bears catching salmon to wildebeests and zebra herds migrating. She enjoyed adventure travelling with mountain hiking, white water rafting, kayaking, and camel riding in Tanzania and Morocco. Linda continued to be an intellectual explorer; in 2006 she wrote in an email to her husband, "You knew I was spunky and spirited and speaking my mind-never mind that I give thoughts and ideas from left field. It's part of the creative process."

She learned to sew and crochet and enjoyed making many original afghans for her ten grandchildren. Even as Alzheimer's developed, she continued to be engaged in art, music, dance, and Yoga. Her four sons independently remembered her cheerfulness ("My mother's giggle was unique and infectious. Even recently when she could not speak, she could still giggle." "Her laughter used to ring contagiously through the house." "She created a home full of love and laughter." "She had a laugh that could fill the entire house.") and her cooking ("Mom knew the keystone of the family is the family meal." "She knew the that the fried matzoh was crispy enough 'when the smoke detector went off.'" "Learning how to make spaghetti sauce." "She taught me how to sew, iron, cook, and clean because 'You will be alone for a long time.'")

As a wife, mother, office manager, or community organizer, Linda was always a gentle, compassionate and extremely empathic person. She always said hello to, smiled at, and wished to embrace friends and strangers, especially those with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, children, or dogs. Millagros Pacheco and Jamie Angio befriended and compassionately cared for Linda as if she were part of their own families. Thank you also to Esperanza Covalada, Uzma Khan, Julia Newman, and Drs. Zoe Arvanitakis and David Oyer.

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File No. **Y19000369** on the **Date: 01/17/2019**  
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 The true name and residence Address of the owner is: **Lisa N Thorn** **11841 S Lawler** **Alsip, IL, 60803**

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**Application Filing Period:** January 25, 2019 through February 22, 2019. **Examination Date:** March 16, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of Electrical Operator I practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Attends, operates, and cleans electrical control equipment at a sewage treatment plant, in a pumping station, or a lock, during an assigned rotating shift. **Pay:** \$46.86 per hour

**Electrical Operator II (Original & Promotional)**

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SATURDAY, FEB. 2

NORMAL HIGH: 32°

NORMAL LOW: 17°

RECORD HIGH: 51° (1992)

RECORD LOW: -16° (1996)

## Temps rise; damp weather on tap for weekend

### LOCAL FORECAST

**HIGH** **LOW**

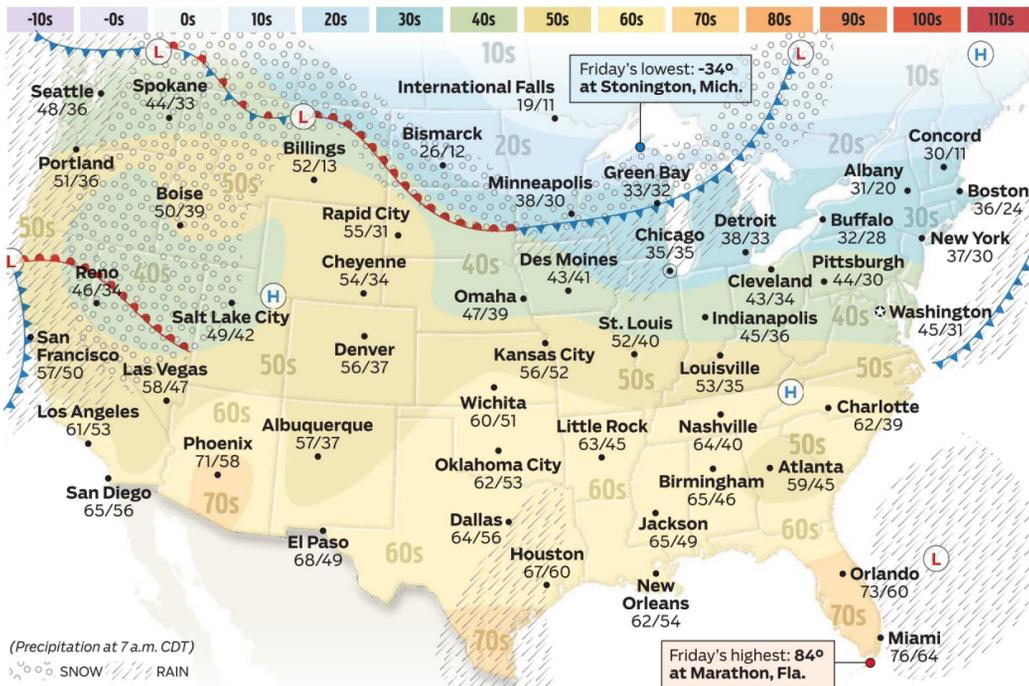
**35** Steady or rising at night

■ Warmer, moist south to SW winds over cold thick snow cover will cause condensation, low clouds and eventually fog and drizzle.

■ Sun possible early. Clouds thicken and lower. Damp, foggy with light drizzle possible later and overnight. Temps break through the 32-degree mark reaching the middle 30s during afternoon. Temps stay level or even increase overnight.

■ Temps may be below 32. Layer of ice on untreated roads causing hazardous driving conditions, slippery sidewalks. S/SW winds 5 to 15 miles per hour.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Southerly winds carrying warmer, more moist air over the extensive snow-pack covering the entire Chicago area will make a perfect setup for low, gradually thickening clouds to form as the warm air comes in contact with the cold air just above the snow and condenses. By Saturday evening through the nighttime hours into Sunday, it will get a little warmer, but clouds will thicken and fog will form along with some light drizzle. There could be some freezing drizzle on untreated surfaces.

Low pressure developing in the central Plains will move east, with showers spreading into our area later Sunday night and Monday ahead of the associated cold front. Temperatures will continue to rise through the 40s into the lower 50s here on Monday prior to the cold front. Colder air will follow on north winds Tuesday.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 3

**HIGH** **LOW**

**44** **41**

Drizzle with a chance of light showers mainly north. Milder with high temps in the middle 40s. Clouds and fog with an increasing probability of rain overnight. Breezy winds out of the SW.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

### MONDAY, FEB. 4

**HIGH** **LOW**

**52** **23**

Showers. Very mild before noon with highs reaching 50 by midday – falling temps later in day and overnight, as colder air moves into area on gusty winds out of the northwest. Becoming partly cloudy overnight.



### TUESDAY, FEB. 5

**HIGH** **LOW**

**33** **26**

Mostly cloudy and colder – afternoon highs in the low to mid 30s. A chance of a rain/snow mix spreading into the area from the southwest after midnight. Northeast to east winds.



### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6

**HIGH** **LOW**

**36** **29**

Cloudy and colder with a chance of rain or a rain/snow mix far north. Southeast winds.



### THURSDAY, FEB. 7

**HIGH** **LOW**

**33** **16**

Cloudy with rain early changing over to snow and turning colder. Highs in the upper 20s to lower 30s early with falling temps during the afternoon. Snow showers overnight. Northwest winds.



### FRIDAY, FEB. 8

**HIGH** **LOW**

**28** **11**

Partly sunny and cold – highs in the upper 20s. Clear and cold overnight. North winds.



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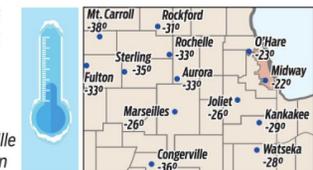
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## Great Lakes ice doubles in lieu of recent arctic blast

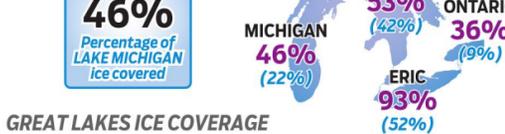
### THURSDAY MORNING LOW TEMPERATURES

Across northern Illinois  
New state of Illinois record low pending at Mt. Carroll.  
Old state record at Congerville was equaled at that location



### ARCTIC BLAST SPURS GREAT LAKES ICE DEVELOPMENT

Lake Michigan ice coverage has more than doubled in the past 5 days



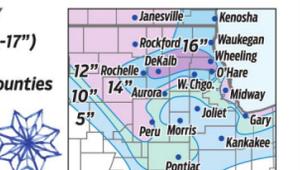
**GREAT LAKES ICE COVERAGE**

29%	41%	42%	39%	48%	56%
SUN 1/27	MON 1/28	TUE 1/29	WED 1/30	THU 1/31	FRI 2/1

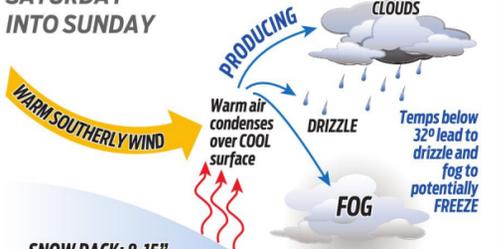
SOURCE: NOAA Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory  
SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

### SNOW DEPTH FRIDAY

Core of greatest snow (15-17") over northern portion of DeKalb, Kane, and Cook counties



### SATURDAY INTO SUNDAY



WARM SOUTHERLY WIND  
Warm air condenses over COOL surface  
PRODUCING  
LOW-LEVEL CLOUDS  
DRIZZLE  
FOG  
Temps below 32° lead to drizzle and fog to potentially FREEZE  
SNOW PACK: 8-15"

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### CHICAGO DIGEST

**FRIDAY TEMPERATURES**

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	18	1	Midway	21	2
Gary	21	4	O'Hare	21	2
Kankakee	16	5	Romeoville	20	0
Lakefront	18	3	Valparaiso	20	3
Lansing	18	3	Waukegan	17	-2

**CHICAGO PRECIPITATION**

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.02"	0.05"
February to date	0.02"	0.05"
Year to date	1.98"	1.78"

**CHICAGO SNOWFALL**

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Fri. (through 4 p.m.)	0.9"	0.4"
Season to date	33.2"	32.6"
Normal to date	20.8"	22.0"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

**LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS**

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Wind	SW 15-25 kts.	SW 15-33 kts.
Waves	3-6 feet	4-8 feet
Fri. shore/creeper water temps	34°/32°	

**U.S. SNOW COVER**

FEB. 1	2019	2018
Area covered by snow	38.7%	28.6%
Average snow depth	4.4"	3.0"

**TRACKING THE COLD**

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	23 days	21 days
Subzero lows	6 days	6 days

**CHICAGO AIR QUALITY**

Friday's reading	Moderate
Saturday's forecast	Moderate
Critical pollutant	Particulates

**SATURDAY RISE/SET TIMES**

Sun	7:01 a.m.	5:07 p.m.
Moon	5:39 a.m.	3:13 p.m.



**SATURDAY PLANET WATCH**

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	7:22 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Venus	4:11 a.m.	1:38 p.m.
Mars	9:47 a.m.	10:57 p.m.
Jupiter	3:32 a.m.	12:46 p.m.
Saturn	5:29 a.m.	2:44 p.m.

**BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION**

Mercury	Not visible
Venus	6:00 a.m. 15.5° SE
Mars	6:15 p.m. 49° SW
Jupiter	6:00 a.m. 19.5° SE
Saturn	Not visible

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

### MIDWEST CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	fg	51	38	pc	61	52
Carbondale	pc	41	37	pc	52	46
Champaign	pc	45	37	pc	55	49
Decatur	pc	46	41	dr	47	44
Maquoketa	sh	42	38	dr	51	46
Peoria	sh	52	44	dr	59	52
Quincy	sh	41	37	dr	43	40
Rockford	sh	45	39	pc	55	50
Springfield	dr	40	37	dr	42	40
Sterling	dr	40	37	dr	42	40

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	pc	67	54	pc	76	57
Albany	sh	31	20	pc	39	31
Albuquerque	pc	57	37	cl	57	38
Amarillo	pc	69	43	pc	73	45
Anchorage	pc	18	15	ss	27	26
Asheville	pc	59	32	pc	60	33
Aspen	pc	42	29	sn	35	24
Atlanta	cl	59	45	sh	59	42
Atlantic City	pc	38	28	pc	44	32
Austin	sh	67	59	sh	75	62
Baltimore	pc	50	39	rr	49	37
Billings	sh	52	13	sn	18	-6
Birmingham	cl	65	46	pc	64	49
Bismarck	sh	26	12	sn	15	-9
Burlington	sh	50	39	rr	49	37
Boston	sh	36	24	pc	41	32
Brownsville	sh	73	64	pc	79	67
Buffalo	sh	32	28	sh	43	39
Burlington	ss	23	11	ss	31	30
Charlotte	pc	62	39	pc	62	38
Charlottesville	sh	59	51	sh	61	46
Charlottesville	sh	52	35	pc	59	34
Chattanooga	su	64	40	pc	62	42
Cheyenne	pc	54	34	pc	54	32
Cincinnati	cl	48	34	pc	58	39
Cleveland	cl	43	34	pc	50	41
Colo. Spgs	pc	58	34	pc	57	33
Columbia MO	sh	56	46	sh	64	53
Columbia SC	pc	62	46	sh	64	53
Columbus	cl	39	30	pc	50	36
Colorado	sh	51	11	pc	74	63
Corpus Christi	sh	71	61	pc	74	63
Dallas	sh	64	56	cl	72	60
Daytona Bch.	sh	70	57	sh	69	53
Denver	pc	56	37	pc	57	32
Des Moines	sh	43	41	dr	54	39
Dubuque	dr	42	39	dr	43	41
El Paso	pc	68	49	pc	71	47

### WORLD CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Palm Beach	ts	75	62	pc	79	60
Palm Springs	rr	61	51	pc	64	51
Philadelphia	pc	37	26	pc	45	28
Phoenix	pc	71	58	rr	64	53
Pittsburgh	pc	44	30	pc	50	34
Portland, ME	sh	28	12	cl	34	28
Portland, OR	sh	51	36	sh	43	34
Providence	cl	35	21	pc	42	29
Raleigh	su	58	38	cl	62	40
Rapid City	pc	55	31	fr	34	0
Reno	sh	46	34	sh	47	34
Richmond	su	51	29	cl	55	31
Rochester	sh	35	27	sh	47	41
Rochester	sh	59	49	sh	57	46
Salem, Ore.	sh	52	35	sh	44	34
Salt Lake City	sh	49	42	sh	47	41
San Antonio	sh	69	59	sh	76	62
San Diego	rr	65	56	sh	62	56
San Francisco	ts	57	50	sh	64	48
San Juan	pc	83	71	pc	82	70
Santa Fe	pc	48	34	sh	47	32
Savannah	sh	59	50	pc	62	45
Seattle	sh	48	36	sh	43	30
Shreveport	sh	64	52	sh	68	61
Sioux Falls	cl	44	25	sh	37	9
Spokane	sh	44	33	rr	39	29
St. Louis	pc	52	40	pc	64	52
Tucson	pc	70	55	rr	64	51
Tulsa	sh	61	54	pc	69	53
Washington	pc	45	31	cl	53	32
Washington	pc	60	51	pc	65	43
Wilkes Barre	pc	34	24	pc	42	28
Yuma	pc	71	56	pc	69	51

FORECAST (FC) ABBREVIATIONS: su-sunny pc-partly cloudy cl-cloudy rr-rain ts-thunderstorm sn-snow fl-furries fr-freezing rain sl-sleet sh-showers rs-rain/snow ss-snow showers w-windy na-unavailable

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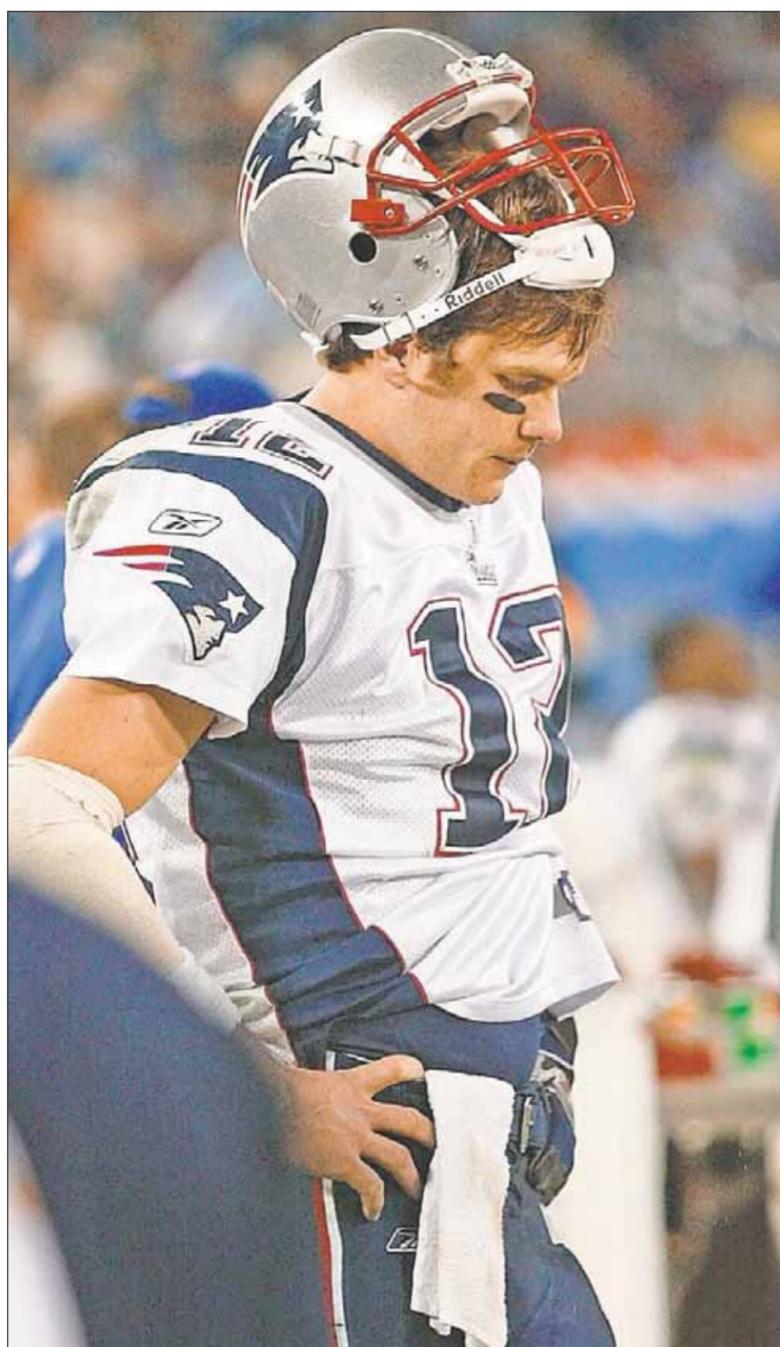
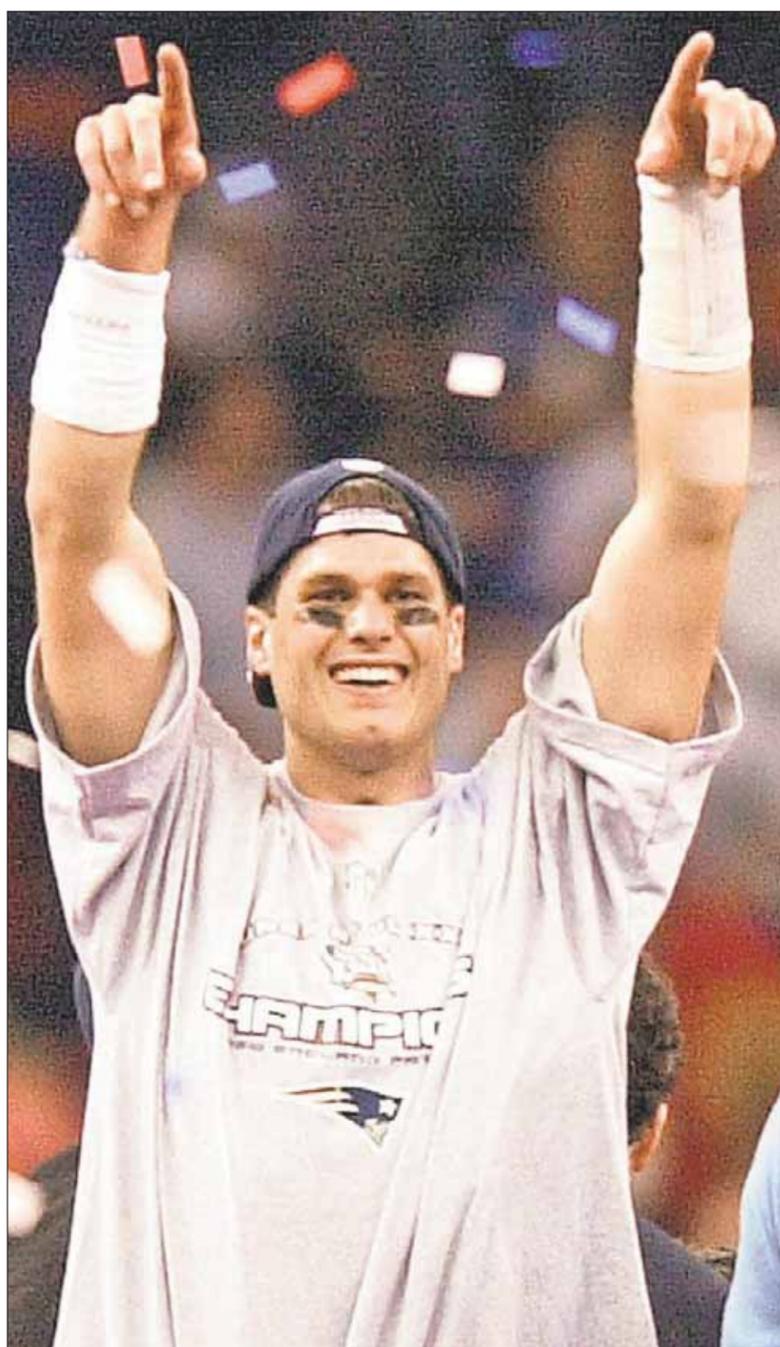
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# — eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

After defeating the **Rams** 'Greatest Show on Turf' in Super Bowl XXVI, the **Patriots** flopped in 2002. They went 9-7 and missed the playoffs. **Bill Belichick** never let it happen again.



AP PHOTOS

QB Tom Brady, left, celebrates after the Patriots' victory over the Rams in Super Bowl XXXVI on Feb. 3, 2002. Less than a year later, Brady and the Patriots were struggling.

## Hangover cure

BY MARK MASKE | Washington Post

ATLANTA — There was a time, Willie McGinest recalls, when the New England Patriots were not immune from the Super Bowl hangover.

The Patriots had just won their first Lombardi Trophy by beating "The Greatest Show on Turf" St. Louis Rams of Kurt Warner, Marshall Faulk, Isaac Bruce and Torry Holt to conclude the 2001 season. Players started feeling a little too good about themselves, according to McGinest, the former Patriots linebacker. The following season, the Patriots had a record of 9-7 — unthinkable bad for them, in retrospect — and missed the playoffs entirely.

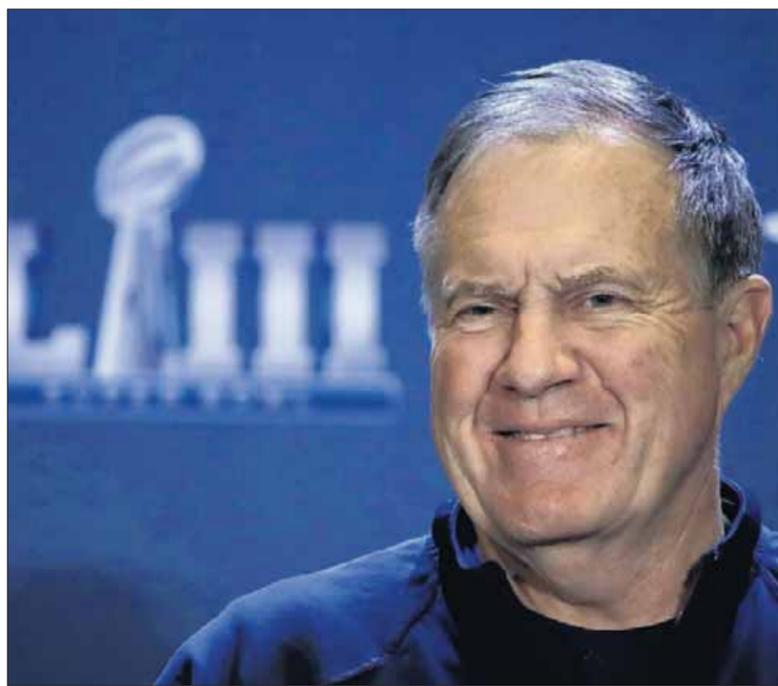
"We got complacent," McGinest said. "We started feeling ourselves. We started saying, 'This is easy. We're going to get back every year.' And then we end up not even making the playoffs. The feeling from the guys, not even the coaches but from the guys, was (that was) the worst thing ever."

That was the end of that. The Patriots won the next two Super Bowls. They next missed the playoffs in 2008, when they went 11-5 with Matt Cassel at quarterback after Tom Brady suffered a season-ending knee injury in the opener. But that was it for missed postseasons. They've played in the last eight AFC title games. They're about to play in their third straight Super Bowl and fourth in five seasons. They're playing in their ninth Super Bowl with Bill Belichick as their coach and Brady as their quarterback and are seeking their sixth title.

Other teams reach a Super Bowl, fail to return and bemoan the Super Bowl hangover: It's tough to deal with success. The offseason is shorter. There's less recovery time for players. Free agency and the NFL draft are upon coaches and the front office before they know it. Opponents are oh-so-ready. The law of averages kicks in. The NFL is all about regression to the mean, anyway.

That's for the other 31 NFL franchises. Belichick has made the Patriots immune.

"You've got to really understand it," McGinest said this week. "To go to the playoffs is great. ... That's what we're supposed to do. To win a division, that's what we're supposed to do. Don't get surprised and don't get happy with that. Our expectation is to be the best that we can be. But we never talk about it. We never come into training camp (saying): 'Hey, you guys are all ready ... for the Super Bowl?' No. (It's):



MATT ROURKE/AP

After 2002, Bill Belichick made sure the Pats didn't suffer another Super Bowl hangover.

"Who do we got Week 1?"

When other teams cite these difficulties, it sounds like excuse-making. With the Patriots, the issues are real. Their offseasons really are shorter than everyone else's, given that they play at least into late January every year. Brady is about to make his 40th postseason start. That means he has played what amounts to an additional 2½ seasons over the course of his career, just in the playoffs.

"The shortened offseason is an issue in terms of recovery and: When do you crank it up again?" former NFL coach Steve Mariucci said. "Is your body ready to do that? Keeping mentally fresh. This is a day and age when the league tries to create parity as best we can with the draft and with the schedule and with [the order of] claiming guys off of waivers and whatever that is. So for somebody to get to the Super Bowl half the time, 50 percent of the time, is probably not what the league intended to do or to have. But the Patriots are defying all odds." There was a mini-uproar last spring

when Brady missed the voluntary portion of offseason practices known as organized team activities, or OTAs, to the point that owner Robert Kraft felt the need to offer public support in May for Brady's absence, which reportedly was to spend time with his family. Tight end Rob Gronkowski mulled retirement last offseason and also missed voluntary OTAs.

Some who know Belichick say that the Patriots have cut back their offseason program as much as Belichick feels is possible while still getting the necessary work done. The result may be a bit less precision early in the season. What is gained is that veteran players are spared some wear and tear.

The condensed offseason for the Patriots means that their coaches and front office executives face a time crunch readying for free agency and the draft. But, in truth, the Patriots have their hits and misses in player evaluation, just as other teams do. For them, it's not so much about outmaneuvering other teams annually in roster construction.

What matters more is the willingness of those players who are added to fit into the Patriots' collective and how well they're coached after they arrive.

"A lot of it has to do with the people he brings in," said Bill Cowher, the former Super Bowl-winning coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers. "When you think about the people that are there and the people he's moved on from, he gives people a chance. But if you don't adhere to his way and what his culture is up there, you're not going to be around there very long."

"People understand what you're coming into. People say, 'Oh, it's not fun.' You know what's fun? Winning. Winning is fun. ... That's the culture he's built. That's why he's sustained it. He's got a lot of selfless people in their building and on their team."

Brady and Belichick are cut from the same cloth: ruthless competitors who are never satisfied, no matter how many victories have piled up. They set the tone. Complacency is not allowed to set in, at least not since the "lost" season after the first Super Bowl triumph described by McGinest. The Patriots know they start completely over each season, with no further savoring of past accomplishments and nothing guaranteed moving forward. Each season is its own narrative.

"No journey is the same," former NFL wide receiver Nate Burleson said. "It's not like they have every player healthy for every single season. Just think about this season. People want to say, 'I'm tired of this story line.' But the story line's different. Now, their result might be the same. But at the beginning of the year (it was), 'Tom Brady's old as hell. He's not going to be able to do it. Julian Edelman is out four games (via suspension). Gronk is falling apart, literally, shrapnel falling off his elbow. The defense is inconsistent. (Offensive coordinator) Josh McDaniels almost left for a coaching job. Is he going to be there next year? They're falling apart, the relationship between Belichick and Brady.'"

"There's all these different story lines. Yet they're still able to maintain and stay like this. That's why I can appreciate the greatness of this dynasty."

It is, indeed, a modern marvel of sustained pro-football prosperity.

"It's a joy to watch it," Burleson said, "because 15, 20 years from now, I'll be able to tell my kids and when they have kids: 'I remember the Patriots dynasty. It was something to be seen.'"

# — eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

## What do you call a game in which half the participants aren't trying to win? MLB.

By BARRY SVRLUGA | Washington Post

This baseball offseason, it's not just that Bryce Harper and Manny Machado haven't signed anywhere, even as the calendar flips to February. It's that Dallas Keuchel and Gio Gonzalez and Craig Kimbrel haven't either. It's not just that the largest contract issued this offseason is the six-year, \$140-million deal the Washington Nationals issued to lefty Patrick Corbin — plenty big, for sure. It's that, across the sport, just four contracts longer than three years have been completed.

And it's not just that the Baltimore Orioles and the Cincinnati Reds haven't signed a single major-league free agent. It's that the San Francisco Giants, Miami Marlins, Cleveland Indians, Pittsburgh Pirates and Kansas City Royals haven't spent as much as \$10 million on new players.

Check that calendar again. Yep, the first pitchers and catchers are due in spring training a week from Sunday, and every club has players in camp by Feb. 15.

It'd be easy to make a lame joke about the polar vortex freezing the market, but this hasn't just affected Chicago (the Cubs have issued contracts totaling \$10.48 million) and Minnesota (where the Twins have been comparatively lavish at \$27.9 million).

It's harming the sport.

Players are noticing, maybe in unprecedented numbers. And three years before the expiration of the current collective bargaining agreement, they're preparing for what look to be difficult, if not damaging, negotiations for the next deal.

"It's tough to kind of pin down just one thing that's most concerning, because it does seem like everything is so interconnected," Nationals closer Sean Doolittle said in a phone conversation Thursday. "When you start to zoom in on one thing, you also realize how it affects so many other aspects of the free agent market and the health of the game."

Now, any piece that offers sympathy to characters who expect to (and eventually will) make millions of dollars needs some disclaimers. Baseball players, in so many ways, live a dream. They play a game as a vocation. They're paid handsomely; the minimum major-league salary for 2019 is \$555,000. This isn't about handing around an offering plate. They don't need charity, and the vast majority understand how fortunate they are.

But the past two winters are eroding some of what's at the sport's core, and it's concerning if you care about the on-field product.

Let's start with the notion, quaint by now, that all 30 teams head to spring training with a goal of winning the World Series. They don't. That's been true for years. But it's a near-certainty that the sport has reached its lowest percentage of franchises that are performing even the most basic of competitive endeavors: trying.

For the ninth straight year, the Nationals are trying. It's both admirable and abnormal, if you look around the league.

"I'm so grateful to be on a team that tries to win every year," Doolittle said.

He said that because he has colleagues on other teams who can't say the same. The players, they try to win each time they take the field. So many organizations, though, don't max out in the same way.

Washington entered the offseason needing a catcher, a second baseman, a starting pitcher and some relief help. The noise-maker around the industry was Corbin, the richest deal of a slow offseason. But in signing Anibal Sanchez to start, Kurt Suzuki to catch, Trevor Rosenthal to relieve, Brian Dozier to play second and making two more trades — one for a catcher, another for a reliever — there's not a box the Nats haven't checked. They might not win the National League East, but you can't argue they didn't look at their needs and fill them by spending \$189 million in the free-agent market. What a concept.

You know who hasn't followed suit? Well, try a group of 14 clubs who have combined to spend \$187.365 million — nearly half the majors who together haven't committed as much money as the Nationals have themselves. Yes, we're looking at you, Blue Jays, Brewers, Cardinals, Cubs, Giants, Indians, Marlins, Orioles, Padres, Pirates, Rockies, Royals, Tigers and Twins. (Hat tip to ESPN's Jeff Passan here, who originally did this math last week.)

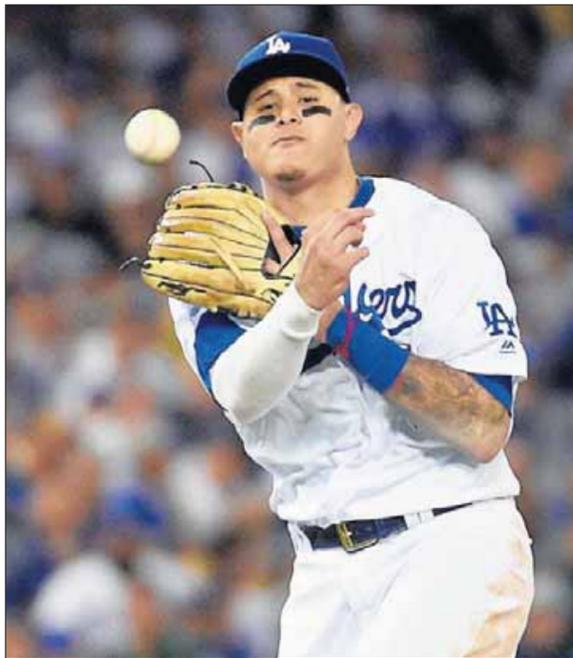
Now, a couple of those teams — the Brewers and Cubs come to mind — have rosters good enough to compete for the postseason as is. The others? They're not trying.

"That can't be sustainable," Doolittle



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Patrick Corbin agreed to a six-year contract in December, joining the Nationals after pitching for the Diamondbacks.



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Manny Machado, left, and Bryce Harper remain unsigned with just a few weeks remaining before spring training.



KATHERINE FREY/THE WASHINGTON POST

said. MLB set a record last year by bringing in more than \$10 billion in revenue. Yet Doolittle, who has engaged fans on social media about the stagnant free agent market and their feelings about the game, said players are worried that if more owners don't put more effort into producing a winning product, fans will be lost. Attendance fell for the sixth straight year, and most of that drop was from teams that weren't in contention for the postseason.

"What's going to happen if fans get tired and get fatigued from their team maybe being in rebuild mode for another season?" Doolittle said. "Are fans going to continue to spend their hard-earned money?"

Go back more than a decade. Prior to the 2007 season — the first full season in which the Lerner family owned the Nationals — Stan Kasten, then the team's president, made it plain what the franchise's plan for that season would be: They would be terrible. He didn't use that phrase, of course, but he outlined how the club would rebuild from the skeleton operation it had been while owned by MLB: They would spend money in scouting and player development, not in free agency. They would trade valuable assets for prospects. And only

when the time was right — years down the road — would they make even a cursory attempt to attract a major free agent.

It worked. The 100-loss Nats of 2008 and '09 became the division champs of 2012, '14, '16 and '17 — with the same expectation for the upcoming season. Subsequently, the Cubs and Astros, under new front offices, burned down their teams only to build them back up. In back-to-back years, they won the World Series.

For an individual franchise that communicates its plan and then follows through, it can make sense. But when that kind of thinking pervades the sport, it's problematic.

"What's going to happen," one general manager told me, "is at some point, a team is going to try this, and it's not going to work."

That would mean all-but intentional losing followed by more losing — and, potentially, the complete erosion of a fan base.

Agents describe an environment in which the fundamental way teams pursue free agents has changed, beginning last offseason. Clubs, of course, counter that smarter general managers that lead more analytic front offices are simply making

better choices about how and when to spend money. There's some truth in that. But pitchers and catchers are about to report, and in most major league cities right now, the fans don't know which pitchers and catchers — or outfielders or second basemen or whatever — will be in what camp.

"We're asking fans to be so patient," Doolittle said. "What other product would you do that for? If your cell phone company said, 'Hey, guess what? For the next three years, we're scaling back our data packages. We're only giving you 3G. But in three years, we'll give you 6G.' Would you stick around? Probably not. It really puts fans' loyalty to the test."

"It doesn't make a ton of sense to me that on one hand we are having these conversations about speeding up the pace of the game, and on the other hand we're like, 'Just wait three years and we'll be good.'"

It's February. This should be the end of the offseason. Instead, two of the game's marquee stars don't know where they'll play, and 100 other players await job offers. That's not a way to build excitement about Opening Day. It's a way to make interest wane, and a symptom of a sport that's

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FIRST DRIVE: 2019 FORD RANGER



# Ford's 2019 Ranger midsize pickup aimed at the lifestyle set

By Benjamin Hunting, New York Daily News

Being late to the game is rarely a good look. In almost any business there's a definite competitive advantage to hitting the market first and making a strong initial impression in the minds of consumers. Do it right, and you've won the chance to set the tone for the competition as they rush not just to catch up, but also live up to the expectations established by whatever product has scored the coup.

That said, adopting a more tactical approach to entering — or, in Ford's case, re-entering — the fray can also be laden with opportunity. After sitting on the sidelines of the midsize truck game for nearly a decade, and seeing cross-town rival General Motors wade into the good fight against Toyota's Tacoma with two well-received alternatives (the Chevrolet Colorado and the GMC Canyon), it might at first have seemed like the Blue Oval had squandered its chance to ride the surging wave of interest in entry-level pickups.

A more charitable reading of the situation, however, attributes Ford's inertia as a calculated move to analyze the battle plans of its opponents before adapting its international midsize platform (dubbed the Ranger, just like its long-slumbering American counterpart) to the needs of U.S. customers.

Did Ford truly make the best use of the years it spent on the outside looking in as Toyota and GM punched and counterpunched their way to near-complete dominance of the small truck sphere? Or is it merely corralling a captive import to soak up any extra undecided cash that might have a hankering for a garage-friendly hauler? I traveled to San Diego, California, to get behind the wheel of the 2019 Ford Ranger and find out.

### Family dynamics

As with all things Ford, it's important to understand the Ranger from within the context of its relationship to the F-150, that massively successful cash cow that calls nearly all the shots at FoMoCo now that traditional passenger cars have been phased out of future plans.

Given that the revenue generated by Ford's full-size truck funds a significant portion of the company's operations, it's a behemoth that must be jealously protected from any possible internal infringement that could negatively impact its market appeal.

And so, we are presented with a midsize truck that does its level best to avoid igniting the passions of potential F-150 shoppers in any conceivable way. The Ranger comes exclusively with turbocharged 4-cylinder power, lacks any of the luxurious appointments one would find inside the cabin of a larger pickup, and studiously avoids presentation as a utility-focused vehicle, instead aiming its appeal at that slice of the truck segment that would only occasionally avail itself of its practical advantages over an SUV.

There is no V6 engine to step up to, no King Ranch logo emblazoned on rawhide leather seats, and certainly no hardcore, Raptor-style Baja boogie machine waiting in the wings. The Ranger isn't just a comely, it's a little brother, and that's entirely by design.

Conversely, there's a certain freedom — or perhaps clarity of purpose — that can come with product limitations imposed from above. Four-cylinder only, you say? Well, then, why not a turbocharged 2.3-liter that offers more torque than any other gas-powered pickup in its class?

Paired with Ford's increasingly ubiquitous 10-speed automatic transmission, the 270 horsepower and 310 lb.-ft. of torque delivered by the Ranger come close to blowing the doors off the 6-cylinder versions of the Tacoma, Colorado, and Canyon. While each member of that trio may breathe deeper in the horsepower department, the throttle response and straight-line speed of the Ranger have decidedly more spring to the heel.

I discovered this to be true whether driving the vehicle unladen or when dragging a massive boat trailer that hews close to the pickup's 7,500-pound max tow rating. It also doesn't hurt that the vehicle's combined fuel economy rating of 23 mpg matches that of the turbodiesel Colorado (with 26 mpg available on the highway).

Dynamically, too, the Ranger outshines the broader-shouldered Tacoma when hurtling downhill through the spinal asphalt that links the town of Julian with the San Diego coast. It's a stretch to label the Ford sporty, but its suspension and steering do a better job of communicating the details of any given journey as compared to the Toyota.

Still, both the Chevrolet and the GMC options in its class are a step above in terms of handling smoothness and ride quality, with the Ranger's rear-end wiggle on 2-wheel-drive models occasionally making itself known over rough pavement.

### Off-road ready, for real

Another area where the Ranger proves to be a delight is the off-road arena, where its reduced wheelbase as compared to a full-size truck proves that you don't have to dune-bash to have a good time behind the wheel of a pickup.

The narrower, more agile truck was able to pirouette its way around low-speed, off-camber corners, rise up from steep ditches, and dangle from high-angle dirt berms in a way that would be difficult to replicate in a burlier full-size model. Again, it's a paean to those who are asking for a dual-purpose machine that won't feel the squeeze in the company parking garage on Monday morning after spending a weekend on the trail or at the beach.

To this end, Ford has also made a play for beginner off-road fans with the Terrain Management system that comes bundled with the FX4 Off-Road package's tow hooks, mild front-end underplating, and knobby tires. Able to juggle traction needs with the realities of the surface being conquered, and featuring several environment-specific settings (such as mud, snow, sand, etc.), it performs well enough to act as a helping hand for first-timers eager to avoid getting stuck.

There's also 'Trail Control,' a sort of low-speed engine limiter that maintains forward momentum automatically from 1 to 7 miles per hour at the click of a button. The end goal is to allow drivers to concentrate more on steering than throttle control, especially over longer sections of trail that can pound the mind into submission.

Back-to-back against a similar setup found on the Tacoma's TRD Off-Road package, it was clear that Ford engineers had gone out of their way to maximize smoothness of the vehicle's ABS system as it gently squeezes the front brakes to claw back speed. In contrast, Toyota's more industrial solution sounded like someone was breaking metal fingers underneath the front axles.

One other truck-like thing the Ranger is good at is towing (with 7,500 lbs. showing as best-in-class by a margin of 500 lbs. over GM and 700 lbs. over Toyota, with the trailer brakes and tow package installed).

With the Ford hitched up to a massive Moomba boat trailer nudging just south of the truck's theoretical ceiling, if not for the scream of the turbocharger it would be hard to tell that there was a 4-cylinder under the hood, even when starting from a stop on a grade. I didn't have the chance to tackle a long, high-speed climb with the boat dragging from the bumper, but cruising at 75 mph the Ranger felt stable and strong.

A little less useful for true trucking is the 5-foot bed that comes with the 4-door SuperCrew model. Again, the Ranger's capabilities have been kept carefully walled off from that of the F-150, with a cargo area that easily accepts kayaks and mountain bikes but shies away from heavy-duty gravel hauling or transporting stacked cords of firewood.

Sure, the SuperCab (with its smaller, rear-hinged back doors) adds an extra foot of box, while posting the best highway payload rating (1,860 lbs.) in its segment (as long as you order 2-wheel drive), but this truck is intended for odd jobs, not working for a living. The latter is clearly reserved for the F-Series flagship.

Ford may not have honed the global Ranger into a perennial all-around all-star, but they've already got one of those on the team — and much like in professional sports, no one's going to claim a bigger slice of the financial pie than the long-time leading scorer. The F-150 might play a big part in keeping the Ranger humbler than it might have been, but there's still a lot to like about this alternative choice among smaller trucks.

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