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Border talks stall; shutdown looms

Dems want to limit migrant detentions; GOP won't budge on enforcement

BY ERICA WERNER
AND DAMIAN PALETTA

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The nation faces the real possibility of another government shutdown at the end of the week, after bipartisan

talks aimed at averting that outcome broke down in a dispute over immigration enforcement, lawmakers and aides said Sunday.

President Donald Trump's border wall demands, which precipitated the record-long 35-day shutdown that ended late last month,

were a secondary issue in the impasse that developed over the weekend, according to officials in both parties.

Instead, after looking promising for days, the delicate negotiations collapsed over Democrats' insistence on limiting the number of unauthorized immigrants who can be detained by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency. The break-

down in talks made it unlikely that lawmakers will be able to finalize an agreement on Monday, as they'd hope to do so it could pass the House and Senate before Friday night's deadline.

"I think the talks are stalled right now," Senate Appropriations Chairman Richard Shelby of Alabama, the lead Republican negotiator, said on Fox News Sunday. "I'm not confident we're going to

get there."

The stalemate left the path forward to keeping the government open unclear.

There were some behind-the-scenes efforts to salvage the talks Sunday evening, but it was uncertain whether they would be successful.

The Homeland Security De-

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Bully Life Animal Services owner Garrett Mercado interacts with a dog at a Sunday benefit. Last month 31 dogs died in a fire at Bully Life.

After fatal kennel fire, views on owner mixed

Some credit him for trying to save animals, others appalled at conditions

BY JOHN KEILMAN
Chicago Tribune

When troubled dogs appeared to have reached the end of the line, rescue organizations had one last place to turn: Bully Life Animal Services, a ramshackle kennel on the outskirts of West Chicago.

The groups brought their

most incorrigible animals there when foster homes fizzled out or adoptions unraveled. Bully Life's owner and head trainer, Garrett Mercado, seemed to have a way with dogs from tough circumstances, and by some accounts, he rarely turned down a request.

"You know Cesar Millan?" said Peter Cangelosi of Pets and

Vets USA, referring to the "Dog Whisperer" of TV fame. "Cesar Millan doesn't have what Garrett has in his pinkie. I've had some dogs that were unplaceable and now live in happy homes."

But last month, an early morning fire at the business claimed the lives of 31 dogs — about half of the animals living

on the property. The dead weren't housed in the kennel itself, fire officials said, but were trapped, mostly in cages, inside the small, two-story brick building where the fire broke out.

While investigators have yet to release the cause of the blaze, the circumstances have pro-

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The candidates had a wide range of opinions on bike lanes, from making them a low priority to adding at least 100 miles of new bikeways.

Mayoral candidates talk transportation



MARY WISNIEWSKI

Getting Around

No red light cameras — or fewer. Lower CTA fares for low-income riders. More rules for ride-share.

Candidates for Chicago mayor have plenty of opinions about how to improve transportation. Whoever takes over as mayor

after Rahm Emanuel in May will have to decide how to expand the CTA, cope with increasing road congestion and tackle issues posed by new technology, like self-driving cars and electric scooters.

This column discussed some candidates' views last September, but many more candidates have since jumped into the race. Because the nonpartisan election is on Feb. 26, just two weeks away, it seemed like a good time to revisit the issue.

The following are responses

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Does Rx work for women?

State registry aims to boost info, inclusion for clinical studies

BY CINDY DAMPIER
Chicago Tribune

You've marched in the Women's March, cheered for women in Congress, grappled with the wide-ranging implications of the #MeToo movement, talked with your kids (of both genders) about sexual harassment.

Wait — did you forget to sign up for a medical study?

In the new pantheon of Women's Causes We Care About, inclusion in medical research has often ranked somewhere below concern about the number of stalls in public restrooms. That's in spite of the fact that, unlike a long wait for the bathroom at Soldier Field, leaving women out of medical studies can have serious, far-reaching effects on health for both sexes.

"This isn't just a women's health issue," says Nicole Woitowich, director of the Illinois Women's Health Registry and associate director of the Women's Health Research Institute at Northwestern University, "it's an everybody's health issue."

Yet, women's participation in medical research studies continues to lag, creating a scientific data gap that has an impact on development of new medicines and treatment protocols, as well as accurate assessment of current treatments. "We can't keep claiming we are doing rigorous science," says Woitowich, "if we are excluding important biological variables."

Luckily, participating in research studies just got a little easier for women in Illinois. Woitowich and a group of like-minded scientists and women's health advocates are working to create more inclusion in research through the Illinois Women's Health Registry, an online, smartphone-compatible tool that allows women to access information

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Hawks are in seventh heaven

The Blackhawks beat the Red Wings 5-2 for a seventh straight win behind Cam Ward and Dominik Hrbek. They will try to make it eight in a row Tuesday against the Bruins. **Sports**



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The Blackhawks, one of the NHL's "Original Six," have been building a storied legacy since their founding in 1926. The Hawks have produced dozens of standout stars, from Hall of Fame goaltender Mike Karakas in the '30s to Bobby "The Golden Jet" Hull in the '60s to current team captain Jonathan Toews, who has led the team to a remarkable three championships since 2010. This comprehensive collection includes archival photos, original reporting, player profiles, timelines, statistics, and more—all curated by the Tribune's sports department from the newspaper's vast archives. Available at chicagotribune.com/hawkshistory, and wherever books are sold.

CHICAGO TRIBUNE'S UNSCRIPTED PRESENTS JACOB TOBIA

Come meet writer, producer and author Jacob Tobia. From interviewing former U.S. Presidents to working with queer and trans youth, Jacob helps others embrace the full complexity of gender and their own truth, even when that truth is messy. Jacob's soon-to-be-released memoir "Sissy: A Coming-of-Gender Story" follows Jacob's story from the moment a doctor put "male" on the birth certificate though Jacob's work today. With fierce honesty, wildly irreverent humor, and wrenching vulnerability, Sissy takes readers on an odyssey sure to make you never think about gender – both other people's or your own – the same way again. The event is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 12, at WeWork, 515 N State Street, 14th Floor, Chicago. To learn more and purchase tickets, go to jacobtobiaunscripted.eventbrite.com.

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■ A story in Wednesday's Food & Dining section incorrectly reported that chef Debbie Gold had been nominated for a James Beard Foundation Award; in fact, she was the winner for the Best Chef: Midwest award.

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Virginia Lt. Gov. Justin Fairfax, from left, Attorney General Mark Herring and Gov. Ralph Northam, in December 2017. BOB BROWN/AP

Blackface a symptom of larger, complicated issue



DAHEELEN GLANTON

Everybody is talking about blackface now. It's about time.

Maybe white people will learn once and for all that it's a bad idea to make your face darker as part of a costume. It is racist, and it always has been.

This offensive idea that many white people have come up with to paint their face black or brown for Halloween, a dance contest or practically any other event where they decided a darker skin tone would complement their outfit is far from being anything new.

It's just that white people apparently had no idea so many other white people were doing this kind of thing. But black people have always known it was going on behind our backs and sometimes right in front of us.

That's why many African-Americans, especially those who have been around longer than two or three decades, weren't shocked to learn that it is so pervasive in Virginia politics. You can bet Virginia isn't the only place, either. Lots of politicians and celebrities are probably nervous right now. We just don't know whom — yet.

It's wonderful that so many white people are appalled by Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam's and Attorney General Mark Herring's admissions that they wore blackface as young men. It shows that a lot of white people understand that some things are too hurtful in our nation's history to play around with. Even if white people didn't know it before last week, they know it now. That's progress.

But African-Americans have an important decision to make. Are we

going to allow blackface to become our #MeToo movement of the 21st century?

Are we going to make this the single issue that defines our level of endurance, our goals as African-American people and our vision of what America should be in the future?

Are we going to allow a few politicians and celebrities who made the horrible mistake of wearing blackface to a party force us to set an agenda that appeases everyone in the short term but does nothing to further our important causes in the long term?

Can we afford to start digging deep into every white person's past to try to figure out whether they might have put shoe polish or dark makeup on their faces at one time or another in the past because they thought it was funny or cute? That's a never-ending task with little or no payoff.

Is this how we are going to try and purge our political system of racism? If so, it's a huge mistake.

You see, racism is bipartisan. It's not Democrat or Republican, liberal or conservative. It has permeated red states as well as blue states. It has always been part of this country's moral fabric. It is rooted as deeply in America's political history as the Founding Fathers, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Racism is part of the foundation on which our country was built. Blackface is a symbol of that racism, whether intended or not. It is merely a symptom of the larger, more complicated issue. Focusing on blackface alone is like pulling one rotten tooth when the whole mouth is decayed.

Why would African-Americans still struggle to overcome the devastation of slavery, Jim Crow laws and systemic social and economic injustices spend a minute worrying that a politician, trusted or not, once wore blackface?

No one is arguing that blackface should simply be ignored. The reason

blackface is so offensive is because it's a reminder of slavery, a racial stereotype created in minstrel shows to entertain white people. More importantly, it was an attempt to codify blacks as a lazy, worthless, dim-witted specimens, lower than a human being, thus relegating them to a permanent underclass.

The Democratic Party, which has promoted itself as the champion for African-American causes since the civil rights era, is in a real pickle over what's going on in Virginia. If the Democratic governor is forced to resign over blackface, Democratic Lt.

Gov. Justin Fairfax is next in line. But he's battling #MeToo allegations, having been accused of two sexual assaults. That would put Herring up next, and he has acknowledged a bout with blackface, too. With all the top Democrats out of the way, it would open the door for a Republican, Speaker of the House of Delegates Kirk Cox, to move into the governor role. If Cox is unable to serve, the Republican-majority House would have to choose someone.

Republicans aren't entirely in the clear when it comes to blackface, though. State Senate Majority Leader Tommy Norment is denying claims that he once edited a college yearbook that had a blackface picture in it as well as several racial slurs.

What all this amounts to is that whoever ends up as governor might be three or four times removed from the will of the voters — particularly the 87 percent of African-Americans who turned out to support Northam two years ago.

The way I see it, there is only one way out of this mess. As of today, black people have to forgive every white person who has ever worn blackface.

But if anyone does it tomorrow, we're coming after you.

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Senator prods for action on hospital

State lawmaker wants Illinois to pay to clean up Tinley Park Mental Health Center

BY MIKE NOLAN

Daily Southtown

Tinley Park officials are holding off ordering a new study of environmental issues at a shuttered state hospital as an area legislator makes another push to get Illinois to foot the bill.

Sen. Michael Hastings, D-Tinley Park, introduced resolutions Tuesday that would have the state pay the study as well as move along an appraisal process to get an updated value for the 280-acre site, northwest of Harlem Avenue and 183rd Street.

At Tuesday's Village Board meeting, trustees agreed to postpone a vote on hiring an outside firm to update a 2014 study of the former mental health hospital in response to Hastings' resolution.

The senator said his ultimate goal is to compel the state to shoulder the cost of cleaning up contaminants on the property, including asbestos and underground storage tanks.

"The state of Illinois caused that problem. The state should bear the cost of the environmental cleanup," Hastings told the Daily Southtown.

He said he lives a little more than a mile from the property and has worked for several years since the hospital's closing to force the state to take action.

"The goal is to turn the property into an economically viable site" for redevelopment, he said.

Tinley Park officials are in negotiations with a group of developers, Melody Square, that is proposing 435 single-family homes described as active-adult age-restricted housing targeting buyers 55 and older, as well as a 200-unit luxury senior apartment building. Separately, another 60 single-family detached homes are proposed as well as 100 town homes.

Melody Square expects the development would cost \$350 million, according to village manager Dave Niemeyer. The group is seeking nearly \$69 million in tax increment financing help and other incentives from the village.

Partners in Melody Square include



Hastings



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The Tinley Park Mental Health Center in 2012 before the planned closure of the facility.

national homebuilders K. Hovnanian Homes and M/I Homes, along with commercial property owner Rick Heidner. Another partner is David Dorgan, who served as Tinley Park's village manager from 1991 until 2003.

In a recent interview posted on Tinley Park's website, Dorgan said Melody Square had hired its own environmental consultant, V3 Cos., to advise the developers on the environmental issues the site poses.

In 2014, when initial studies of the site were done, it was estimated that decontaminating the property and demolishing 45 buildings on the site would cost \$12.4 million.

Along with a resolution on the environmental study, Hastings' second resolution requires the state to complete the process of getting an updated appraisal of the property.

In 2015, Tinley Park planned to pay the state what was then an asking price of \$4.16 million for the site, but eventually opted not to go ahead with the purchase.

Village officials have said they'd like to buy the property in order to have greater control over redevelopment.

Once the state determines the site's current value, the village would have an opportunity to buy it.

Hastings said that along with the resolutions, he is working on legislation

concerning a sale or possible transfer of the property. A simple transfer of the land at no cost or nominal cost to the village "will be an option" considered, he said.

The resolutions will be heard in committee, and the legislator said he has high confidence state officials will agree to undertake the environmental study. Hastings said such a study could cost about \$150,000.

In one of the resolutions, Hastings notes that the property in its current condition poses a burden on local as well as state taxpayers, with the state spending about \$500,000 annually on upkeep. He said that those costs include security on the site and maintaining buildings.

Officials have said that although the property is in a tax increment financing district, its location in Cook County makes any large-scale commercial development unlikely because of higher property taxes.

Melody Square's proposal for the site was one of three redevelopment plans submitted to the village last October, with Renaissance Downtowns Urban Holdings and UrbanStreet Group also filing plans.

The Village Board last month approved an exclusive negotiating rights agreement with Melody Square to continue working on issues such as land uses and incentives. The agreement is in effect for six months but could be extended.

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Ald. George Cardenas attends a Saturday rally by Chicago Teachers Union members and others to support striking charter teachers.

Ald. Cardenas apologizes for claiming CTU endorsement

Campaign opponents criticize erroneous info in aldermanic race materials

BY ELYSSA CHERNEY

Chicago Tribune

Ald. George Cardenas apologized Sunday for including an endorsement from the Chicago Teachers Union in campaign materials even though the powerful organization has not taken a position in his contested 12th Ward race.

"I have alerted the leadership of CTU," Cardenas said Sunday. "I apologize if anybody is offended. ... We're not going to use any endorsement if we don't earn it."

Cardenas, a four-term alderman, said the campaign materials were printed weeks ago with the erroneous information. He said they were made after he received an endorsement from the Chicago Federation of Labor, an umbrella organization that includes CTU.

The incumbent's apology came hours after three of his opponents held a news

conference outside the 12th Ward Public Services Office to publicize what they called Cardenas' misleading and deceptive practices.

As it snowed, challengers Jose Rico, Pete DeMay and Martha Yerania Rangel stood next to each other, held hands and raised their arms in the air as they chanted: "Where's George?"

Chicago Public Schools teacher Froylan Jimenez, who led the news conference, called for greater accountability measures to ensure that politicians accurately advertise their endorsements.

He brought two items to the news conference — a mailed flyer and a door hanger — that both listed the CTU among Cardenas' endorsements.

"We are not going to take this and just watch," Jimenez said. "The Chicago Way is no longer admissible here in the 12th Ward and the rest of Chicago."

Jimenez lives in Pilsen, which is outside the 12th Ward, but said he is involved in this issue, in part, because he participated in the CTU endorsement process.

The CTU has not endorsed in the 12th

Ward aldermanic race, CTU Vice President Stacy Davis-Gates confirmed. Spokeswoman Chris Geovanis added Sunday that the endorsement process was ongoing.

"Our rank and file led Political Action Committee has yet to take a position on this race," Geovanis said in an emailed statement. "We remain committed to champions that have pledged to secure funding for our schools, reform the TIF program, and support an elected representative school board."

Cardenas, meanwhile, said his campaign is in the process of verifying its current endorsements. He also noted that he spoke at a CTU rally this weekend for striking Chicago International Charter School teachers.

"Why would they invite me if we don't consider ourselves allies?" he said.

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Fourth mass exoneration linked to Watts likely

BY KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS

Chicago Tribune

In the fourth mass exoneration of its kind in less than two years, 14 people are expected to have drug charges against them dropped Monday morning, the legal team behind the exonerations announced Sunday.

The Cook County state's attorney's office has moved to vacate and dismiss drug charges against 14 men, all of whom were framed by disgraced former Chicago police Sgt. Ronald Watts and members of his tactical team, a news release from the Exoneration Project states. The state's attorney's office on Sunday also confirmed, through spokesman Robert Foley, that a hearing for 10 of the men is scheduled for 9 a.m. Monday at the Leighton Criminal Court Building. Four other men's cases are expected to be dismissed at a second hearing scheduled for 9 a.m. Wednesday.

"It is always bittersweet," Josh Tepfer, an attorney with the Exoneration Project at the University of Chicago Law School, said of the exonerations. "Certainly, it feels great to get these men and women a semblance of justice. But it is tainted by knowing this should never have happened."

Because the request comes through the partnership of the Exoneration Project and the state's attorney's office, it is expected that presiding Criminal Court Judge Leroy Martin Jr. will grant the state's motions, Tepfer said.

In doing so, the total number of people exonerated in connection with Watts' decades-long run of corruption at the Ida B. Wells public housing complex — forcing residents and drug dealers alike to pay a "protection" tax or face bogus criminal charges for refusing to do so — will come to 63 men and women, the news release states.

More exonerations are expected in light of the corruption associated with Watts' team.

For Tepfer, who joined the Exoneration Project in 2015, his involvement began when he was handed the case of Ben Baker.

"I realized that basically Ben testified in his 2006 trial and gave this seemingly outlandish story about a group of rogue police ... he testified that they planted evidence on him," Tepfer said.

Fast-forward to 2012, Tepfer said, and two of the officers, Watts and Officer Kallatt Mohammed, were federally indicted and later pleaded guilty to taking a bribe from an informant.

Documents that surfaced later revealed that Watts and his team were running a "protection racket" for more than a decade, planting evidence and fabricating charges against South Side residents while facilitating their own drug and gun trade, according to the news release.

What Tepfer couldn't understand was how, in 2015, Baker remained incarcerated even after the testimony he provided — his recounting of a rogue band of police planting evidence on people — almost a decade earlier, had proved true. Baker had been sentenced to 18 years in prison and was eventually released as a result of his exoneration.

"That's the worst of it," Tepfer said Sunday. "They had a decades-long investigation going on into these police officers and said nothing and did nothing about it. That's horrendous in its own right. But no one goes back and fixes it? At the very least, go back and vacate the convictions."

That became the work of the Exoneration Project, which, including those people whose sentences will be vacated this week, is responsible for getting 82 convictions tossed for 63 people, the news release states.

"It saddens me that the city did and continues to let these officers wreak immeasurable damage," Tepfer said. "While these officers have suffered little to no consequences, so many individuals, their families, and frankly entire communities were irreparably harmed."

The Tribune has previously reported that despite mounting allegations, Watts continued to operate for years amid a lengthy police internal affairs probe as well as investigations by the state's attorney's office and the FBI, according to court records. Watts finally was convicted on federal charges and sentenced to 22 months in prison.

Watts was released in 2015 and has since moved to Las Vegas, the Tribune previously reported.

Fallout from the mass dismissals led to 15 current Chicago police officers tied to Watts' tactical team being put on desk duty by the Chicago Police Department, according to the Exoneration Project. The state's attorney's office has also informed the Chicago police that it will no longer use testimony from officers tied to Watts, the news release states.

Those to be exonerated Monday are: Henry Thomas; Cordero Payne; Zarice Johnson; Sydney Harvey; Alvin Waddy; Kim Wilbourn; Derrick Lewis; Gregory Dobbins; Raynard Carter; and Darren Byrd.

Four more people are expected to be exonerated Wednesday.

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To some, kennel owner is a hero

Kennel, from Page 1

voked ferocious arguments in the fractious world of animal rescue. Some groups that lost dogs in the fire still praise Mercado, saying his efforts gave many dogs that otherwise would have been put down a second chance at life.

"He had remarkable results," said Linda Wyka of the Fetching Tails Foundation. "Almost all of the dogs (the foundation paid him to train) have been adopted. These were dogs that needed a little more help than the average dog."

Others, though, wondered whether Mercado had grown overwhelmed at the kennel, offering places to more dogs than he and his volunteers could safely care for.

State and county officials found the property in a filthy state during visits last year, and a video taken inside the house by an animal control officer months before the fire shows dogs in crates stacked on top of each other.

"I believe his heart was in the right place and he's a great person," said Kimberly Jenney, whose rescue, Have a Heart Dog Rescue and Adoption, had a pit bull injured in the fire.

"I do think he got in over his head, personally."

Special bond

Mercado, slight and soft-spoken, grew up in Woodridge, where he used college psychology classes and the insight he gained through traumas like eviction and homelessness to teach himself how to train unruly dogs.

When neighbors saw him walking his four pit bulls under perfect control, he said, they asked for help with their own animals.

"You have to build a bond with them," he said in an interview Saturday outside a Darien bar, where a fundraiser was being held on his behalf. "You have to understand what you're working with. ... With a psychology background, you see patterns, and you see how you can manipulate patterns into more positive behaviors."

He said he has held numerous animal-related jobs, from day care to veterinarian's assistant, but hasn't gained professional certification as a dog trainer (trainers are not required to be licensed in Illinois unless they prepare animals for security work).

Cangelosi said he didn't know Mercado's background when he started working with him three years ago, but he quickly saw that Mercado had a knack for training rescue dogs.

Rescues aim to prevent the euthanasia of animals by taking them from animal shelters and putting them into adoptive homes. Their efforts have made a stark difference.

In 2006, according to statistics from Chicago Animal Care and Control, for every animal a rescue group took out of the city shelter, six were euthanized. By last year, the ratio had nearly reversed, and four animals were rescued for every euthanasia.

Cangelosi, whose organization focuses on pit bulls, said dogs are often neglected or mistreated before arriving in a shelter. Some have major behavioral issues, like biting or aggression, and require extensive training before they can be placed in a foster home or with adoptive families.

Working with those dogs like that, he said, is Mercado's gift.

"There's no one who could do what Garrett can do," Cangelosi said. "He's a hero in my book for what he's done for these animals."

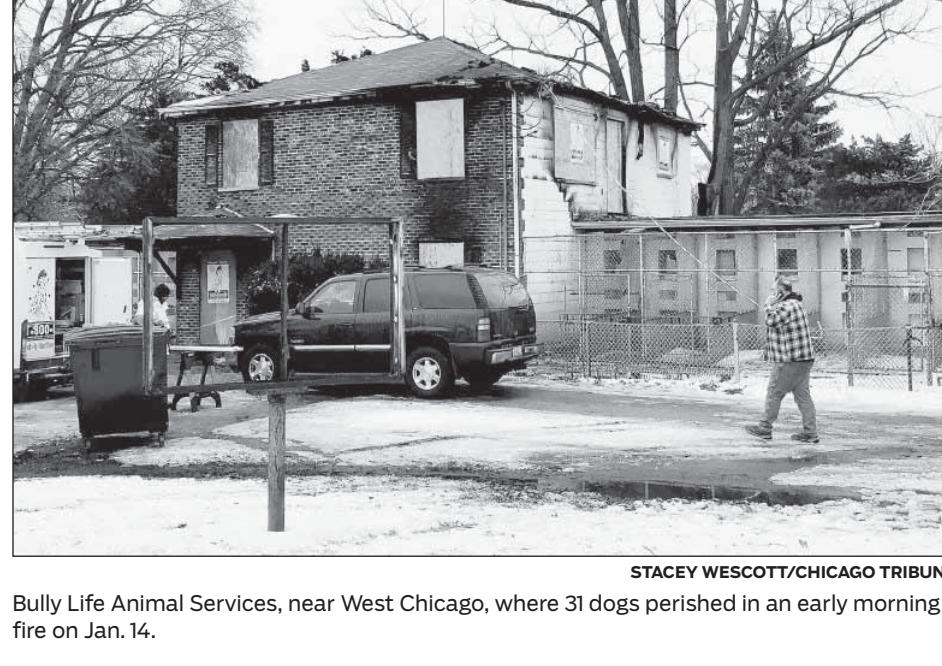
Concerns over kennel

But that praise is not unanimous. Terri Crotty, who runs a Plainfield-based rescue called Wags 2 Wishes, paid Mercado \$750 in December 2017 to train a bulldog mix named Magoo. The dog had numerous behavioral problems, but his main issue was growing overexcited when someone came to the



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Outside of DuPage County Animal Control, Bully Life Animal Services owner Garrett Mercado is reunited with Capone, who'd been missing after the fire.



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
Bully Life Animal Services, near West Chicago, where 31 dogs perished in an early morning fire on Jan. 14.

door.

Crotty said when her group picked up Magoo six weeks later, the dog had lost significant weight and appeared to have suffered puncture wounds.

"(Mercado) acted like Magoo was a nut case and that's why he was returned the way he was," she said. "It took 17 days to put the weight back on him."

Crotty filed a complaint with the Illinois Department of Agriculture, which regulates kennels. According to an agency report, Mercado told an inspector that Magoo was "very unstable" during his stay, biting him several times.

"Did he lose some weight? Absolutely," Mercado told the Tribune. "Did he have some scratches on his forehead? Absolutely. What they were from were stress and anxiety. He is not your normal dog."

The department ended up fining Mercado's employer, D&D Kennels, \$500 for failing to have a board-

ing agreement on file for Magoo, according to records.

Though records from the time list Mercado as the manager of D&D, he told the state inspector he was planning to take over from the kennel's owner, Joanne Grossman. Her daughter, Denise Umbricht, said Mercado started working there after a rescue organization gave him "amazing recommendations."

By May 2018, she said, Mercado was fully in charge, though Grossman was still nominally the kennel's owner.

It was during that time that a DuPage County animal control officer, responding to a complaint about dogs being without food or water, stopped by the property and was met by what she described in a report as a very foul odor, kennels heaped with dog waste and other alarming signs.

"When we went into the

building, it was very cluttered and had only a strip of Christmas lights on the ceiling providing light to the whole inside of the business/kennel area," the report said. "It appeared the building may not have power. Mr. Mercado made a comment about at least having running water."

On a later visit, an animal control officer took a video inside the building. It shows numerous dogs, some barking wildly, inside stacked metal cages and plastic carriers. A few dogs barely fit inside their cages.

"This one can't even stand up," someone says in the video.

Mercado said the stench on the property was due to a faulty septic system. And the video, he said, captured dogs that were in a grooming room awaiting baths or having their crates cleaned; the cages weren't their normal living space, he said.

Umbricht, though, said she found the images be-

wildering. That kind of crowding didn't happen when her mother was in charge, she said. "I've never seen dogs in crates like that, ever."

No sanction

Dr. Barbara Hanek, veterinarian administrator at DuPage County Animal Services, said the animal control officer considered the tight quarters to be "inhumane conditions," and that someone on-site immediately moved the dogs into larger crates.

She said any sanction would be up to the Illinois Department of Agriculture, which regulates kennels. A state inspection report, written the same day the video was recorded, does not mention the crates or the number of dogs in the house (state law does not restrict how many animals a kennel can board).

A spokeswoman for the department said inspectors evaluate kennels according to rules under the Animal Welfare Act. One rule says:

"Cages shall be of sufficient size to allow the animal to comfortably stand, sit, or lie, and offer freedom of movement."

The last state inspection, done in September after Mercado took over the kennel's license and switched the name to Bully Life Animal Services, found the kennel's sanitation and cages to be acceptable. According to the report, 30 dogs were lodged there.

Four months later, when the fire broke out, that number had doubled.

Mercado said the popula-

tion growth, driven largely

by dogs from rescue groups,

was nothing he couldn't handle.

Volunteers helped out,

he said, and he was

planning to reopen unused

kennel runs to accommodate the dogs that were

living in the building.

"I had some dogs that didn't need much (training), and I couldn't say no to them," he said. "They were in rough spots. They just needed somebody to help push them to the next step."

Sorrow and anger

At least 15 rescue organizations had dogs at Bully Life when the fire broke out the morning of Jan. 14. Mercado said he had left the property to give a ride to a friend, and when he returned, the building was in flames.

He said he tried to free some of the animals caged inside and burned his hands before the smoke drove him out. Generally, fire officials said, the dogs in the outdoor kennels lived, while those in the building died.

The surviving dogs went back to their rescues or found foster homes, Hanek said. The kennel itself remains out of operation.

Many of the rescue groups expressed their anguish via social media, and some thanked Mercado for trying to save the dogs. He lost his own pets and much of his property in the fire, and an online benefit for him amassed \$93,000 (supporters held two fundraisers for him this past weekend).

But social media also conveyed much different emotions — bafflement over the number of dogs on the property, and anger over what some called the kennel's substandard conditions.

"I honestly am disgusted with all I've seen," one poster wrote.

The Tribune contacted all the rescues known to have lost dogs in the fire. Most did not respond or declined comment. One woman, fearing harassment, asked that her rescue's name not be used.

"I'm angry that people are taking a tragedy and trying to turn it into some crazy agenda for whatever reason," she said. "There was an accident, and it could happen to any one of us at any time."

Despite the fury lingering in the wake of the fire, Mercado said he is still training dogs and hopes to open another kennel someday.

"I know what to do better next time," he said.

Hanek, meanwhile, said she hopes the fire will prompt a discussion about the minimal standards of the Animal Welfare Act and how they might be improved.

"We want something positive to come out of the fire because it was so devastating," she said. "If we can learn from it ... and provide better conditions and training, we'd like to all pull together and be able to do that."



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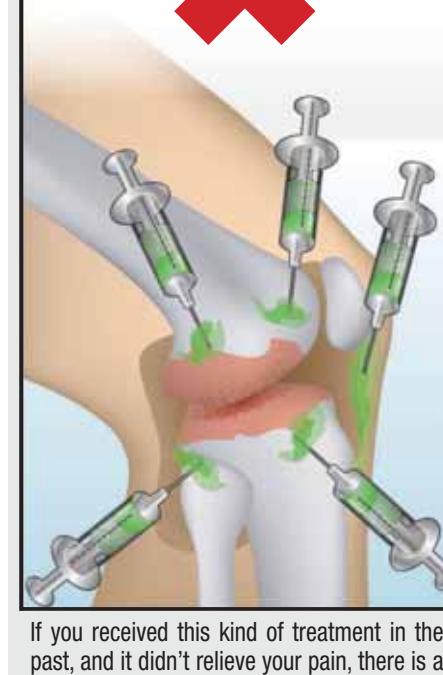
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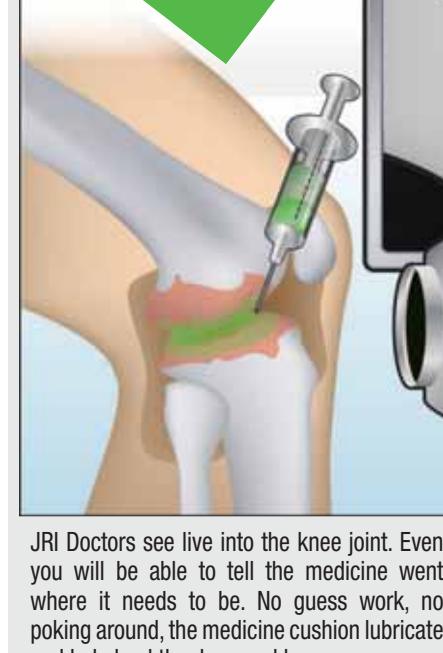
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Does that medicine work for women?

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about clinical studies, as well as place themselves in a database of women who are interested in participating in research. The IWHR, which was relaunched Jan. 25, provides researchers with a pool of eager, female study participants.

"If we're not going to be asked to participate in studies," says Teresa Woodruff, director of Northwestern's Women's Health Research Institute, "we should just put our hand in the air. The Women's Health Registry is a way for us to put our hand in the air."

The struggle to bring more women into medical research studies has a long history. For decades, researchers excluded women (and even female research animals, such as rats) from research for reasons including the monthly hormonal variation of the menstrual cycle, which they said created another variable that complicated research.

In addition, nightmarish cases such as the 1960s thalidomide disaster "created this protectionist view toward women," says Woitowich, "and what ended up happening was that women of childbearing age were excluded from early stage clinical trials. Not knowing whether a woman could be pregnant excludes a huge number of people."

In 1993, the National Institutes of Health, which controls research funding, mandated that

and many other factors. Women, for instance, absorb some medicines differently than men, though few medicines are prescribed in sex-linked doses.

In 2014, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration created sex- and weight-specific dosing for zolpidem (sold as sleep drugs Ambien, Edluar and Zolpimist) after it was discovered that the same dose caused two times the level of medication in women as in men, due to metabolic differences. A string of tragedies involving "sleep driving" while on the drug helped prompt the FDA to take action.

A scientific research system that allows drugs to be prescribed to women when the research behind those drugs didn't include women might seem almost maliciously irresponsible. But Woitowich and her colleagues see it as the legacy of a noninclusive scientific community. "Men weren't being inherently biased," says Woodruff, "but eventually you've jiggled the system toward adverse events that would affect women."

Woitowich agrees: "It really has been this kind of pervasive thing in our research culture. This is just how we do things, and that gets passed on to students, and so it's been carried on." She describes herself as "someone who almost fell through the cracks of the leaky scientific pipeline" and has been a longtime advocate for inclusion of women in



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Candidates talk transportation

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from candidates on some of the city's biggest transportation issues:

Red light and speed cameras

Red light cameras are controversial in Chicago, for good reason. A 2012 Tribune investigation exposed a bribery scandal connected to the program, as well as problems with enforcement practices. However, a 2017 Northwestern University study found that cameras do reduce some serious crashes by making drivers more cautious.

Businessman Willie Wilson and attorney Gery Chico say they want to do away with the cameras.

Chico said in a statement that "all these cameras do take money from lower- and middle-class families."

State Rep. La Shawn Ford, D-Chicago, said he would declare a moratorium on the program to see if it is fair. "It's one of the systems that's driving people into poverty," Ford said in an interview.

Other candidates say they want to take a closer look at the system, to make sure cameras operate only where they will do the most good. Both Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and state Comptroller Susana Mendoza said in statements they should only be used where needed for public safety, and that the city should remove some of them.

Attorney Jerry Joyce said the system should be reviewed. "The red light and speed camera program was put in place primarily to raise revenue, not to promote public safety," Joyce said in a statement.

Amid reports about the high number of traffic and parking tickets given in black and Hispanic communities, all candidates have said the city should take a closer look at sources of traffic fines and their impact on lower-income residents.

Community activist Amara Enya said in an interview she wants to get rid of the Denver boot, which locks up cars with unpaid tickets. "Taking away the person's way to get around is quite draconian and not protective," she said. She also advocates taking into account an individual's income in collecting ticket money owned.

Former Chicago Police Board President Lori Lightfoot told the Tribune that the city needs an audit to look at enforcement patterns, and former White House chief of staff Bill Daley called the current fine and fee structure "unacceptable."

"We cannot continue to balance our budget on the backs of low- and moderate-income Chicagoans," Daley said in a statement. Daley proposed a reform plan that includes a one-time amnesty for low-to moderate-income residents most affected by the current system, a statute of limitations for parking ticket debt, and limiting driver's license suspensions



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to only moving violations.

CTA fares

When the state of Illinois tried free transit rides for all seniors, the program made a big hole in agency budgets and was eliminated in 2011. The state is not fully funding the reduced-fare programs for students, low-income seniors and the disabled that the CTA has now, which is causing annual budget problems for the agency.

But that is not stopping some mayoral candidates from supporting more free rides and lower fares.

Five candidates — Preckwinkle, Enya, Lightfoot, Wilson and Ford — all agreed to free CTA rides for youths and seniors at a West Side forum on Jan. 16. This came a day after Preckwinkle cautioned against the idea of more free rides at a mayoral forum on bus service in Pilsen.

Former Chicago Public Schools President Paul Vallas has proposed integrating a discounted/free transit fare program in a "wraparound social service program," and evaluating a person's ability to pay in deciding how to enforce fare evasion.

CTA expansion

Most of the candidates have spoken in favor of the proposed CTA Red Line expansion south to 130th Street and more dedicated bus lanes, though the contenders have some different ideas on the best way to get the money.

Former police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, who has described himself as a "conservative Democrat," said at last month's Pilsen forum that a better relationship with the current Republican administration in Washington, D.C., would help win funding for transit.

"It seems like we're at war with this administration and frankly that polarization is hurting everybody," McCarthy said.

Other candidates stressed working with the Illinois congressional delegation and other officials to pursue both federal funding, and to go after state funding. Enya promoted use of the real estate transfer tax as well as looking at possibly using revenue from parking, ride-share taxes and moving violations to help fund transit in underserved areas.

Chico advocated paying for the CTA expansion to 130th Street using tax increment financing dollars, if other government fund-

share licenses — something being tried in New York City — because it would limit ways for residents to earn money, including many teachers who drive part-time during the summer months.

Preckwinkle said she supports the ride-share tax Emanuel imposed on ride-share travel to help fund the CTA, and she would consider raising ride-share fees to use for transit.

Bike lanes and other issues

Candidates had broad divisions on bike lanes. Ford said they should not be a priority. "That's the last thing we should do," he said.

Preckwinkle, by contrast, pledged at least 100 miles of new bikeways. Mendoza also wants to expand bike lanes and bike share. Daley said he supported expansion of protected bike lanes, but said that the city needed to account for existing traffic and make sure it can keep cyclists safe.

Lightfoot said traffic congestion is at "crisis" levels, and that the city needs to better manage road construction.

Most candidates were negative, or at best lukewarm, about the proposed Elon Musk underground express service between O'Hare airport and the Loop. The Chicago Infrastructure Trust has not yet reached a contract with Musk's company for the project, and its prospects are dim if a new mayor does not support it.

Musk has pledged to pay

for the service himself, without public funds. Both transportation and engineering experts have voiced skepticism about whether the project would succeed.

Lightfoot called the notion that the taxpayers would not get stuck with part of the tab for the project "a fiction."

"There are too many variables regarding both safety and costs that ultimately would be the responsibility of the city," said Jerry Joyce.

Daley said that the tunnel could add capacity, but as mayor he would "thoroughly review" the proposal and not invest any taxpayer dollars.

Two candidates, attorney John Kozlak and tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin, did not respond to requests for comment for this column.

Transportation song quiz

■ The most recent transportation song refers to a nickname for Division Street. The song is "Polish Broadway Polka" and is performed by Lenny Go-mulka and Chicago Push. Larry Pietras, of Glen Ellyn, was first with the right answer.

■ This song about roving and rambling was a reaction to another song: "God Bless America." What's the song, and who wrote it?

The first person with the right answer gets a Tribune bookmark, and glory.

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both men and women be included in medical research. Since then, the number of women in studies has slowly begun to climb, though not at the rates Woitowich and other advocates hoped to see.

And the lack of data on women has continued to affect science. "If you look at the basic scientific literature," says Woodruff, "about 82 percent of it is male or doesn't describe the sex of the animal or cell being used. So we really have this flawed pipeline in science. Sex is part of the biology of every cell in the body, and so if you're not looking at sex, that's a fundamental flaw."

Today, NIH requires researchers to address not only how females are being included in the studies they propose, but also how that research will consider sex differences in interpreting data. That, too, is crucial to making sure women are counted in the world of science, says Woitowich. "If women are included in studies, but the data aren't being analyzed by sex, if you're not really studying to see if there are any differences in which sex plays a part, you're missing something."

A recent cancer study, for instance, found that women responded better than men to the treatment protocol for a specific kind of brain tumor. "We need to look at what is it about women that makes that treatment more effective," says Woitowich, "or maybe why that treatment doesn't work as well for men. What can we learn from that?"

Sex-linked data have the potential to provide wide-ranging insights, based on differences in metabolism, body composition, hormone levels

science and STEM fields. She points to research that shows having more female scientists means more scientists who work to include both sexes in their research. "Women are more likely to analyze their data by sex and gender than men. So as it turns out, women in the lab may be the key to having more sex- and gender-inclusive research."

Though the climate is changing, there is still work to be done. In a recent survey, Woitowich found predictable complaints among scientists about NIH policies around sex-inclusiveness in research. "Some were glad to see it happening and talked about how important it was," she says. "For some, it was just another box to have to check."

She hopes to help clear at least one obstacle from researchers' path with the IWHR database of female study participants. "My goal for the first year," she says of the registry, "is to have 10,000 women sign up." Because it's a statewide tool, she says, it's also aimed at overcoming another bias: geography. "People who participate in medical research tend to live near a major medical center. So that can start to skew your participants if you're only looking in, say, a major city. To get the best data, we really should be looking at our population statewide."

Woitowich sees the registry's relaunch as the start of a new chapter for women in medical research. "We're excited about having a tool to create momentum, to fill a gap, to ask women to be a part of studies. At this point, there's no excuse for not including them."

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El Paso wants Trump to see real border

Residents say wall is transcended by cross-border spirit

BY WILL WEISSERT

Associated Press

EL PASO, Texas — People walking over the Paso del Norte Bridge linking this West Texas border city to Mexico can watch President Donald Trump's border wall getting bigger in real time.

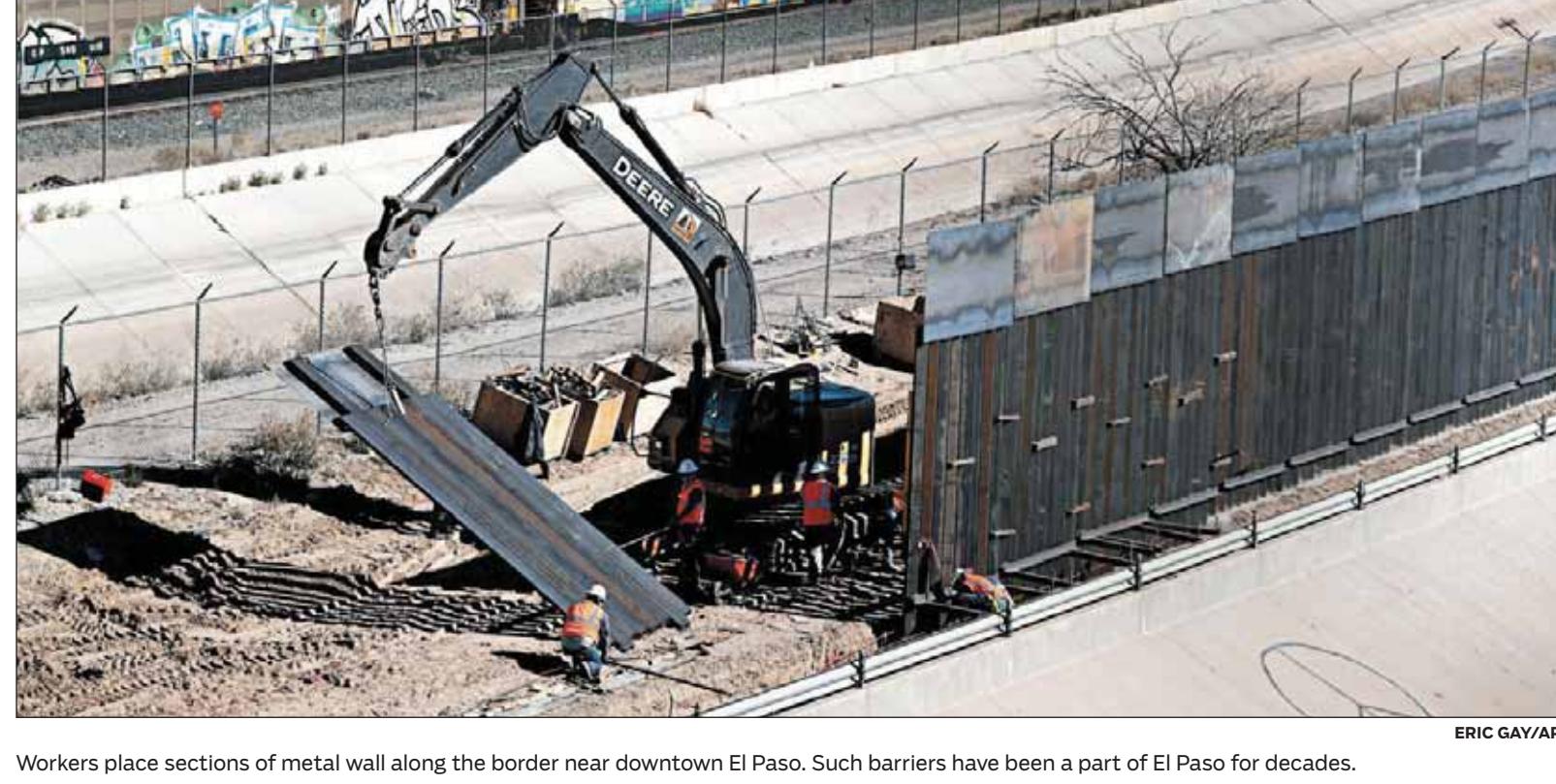
Workers in fluorescent vests can be seen digging trenches, pouring concrete and erecting rust-colored slabs of 18-foot-high metal to replace layers of barbed wire-topped fencing along the mud-colored Rio Grande, which is usually little more than a trickle.

Most of the more than 70,000 people who legally cross four city bridges daily — to shop, go to school and work — pay the construction in the heart of downtown no mind. But on a recent weekday, one man stopped and pointed, saying simply "Trump."

In his State of the Union address, the president said a "powerful barrier" had cut crime rates and turned El Paso from one of the nation's most dangerous cities to one of its safest. He's holding a rally here Monday to show why he's demanding more than 100 miles of new walls, costing \$5.7 billion, along the 1,900-mile border, despite opposition from Democrats and some Republicans in Congress.

But many in this city of desert winds and blistering salsa, bristle at the prospect of their home becoming a border wall poster child.

It's had border barriers for decades, but that isn't



Workers place sections of metal wall along the border near downtown El Paso. Such barriers have been a part of El Paso for decades.

why it's a safe place, they say. El Paso, population around 800,000, already had one of the lowest violent crime rates in the U.S. That's despite being just across the border from drug violence-plagued Ciudad Juarez, Mexico.

They argue that El Paso embodies a cross-border spirit that transcends walls rather than proving more are needed.

"The richest of the rich, the poorest of the poor, we all have different reasons for wanting to cross, and people cross every day," said El Paso City Council member Peter Svarzbein.

El Paso lays bare the mixed feelings the border inspires. Even native Beto O'Rourke, a former Democratic congressman now

mulling a presidential run, says barriers are inevitable but that Trump's calls for an expanded wall are the "cynical rhetoric of war, of invasions, of fear."

O'Rourke will help lead a Monday evening march opposing the wall with dozens of local civic, human rights and Latino groups at the same time Trump is holding his rally. Organizers expect thousands to turn out.

"While some try to stoke fear and paranoia, El Paso will come together for a march and celebration that highlights the truth," O'Rourke said in a statement.

Worsening economic problems in Mexico increased the flow of immigrants in the 1970s, prompting Congress to approve

chain-link fencing here and in San Diego. More barriers were added in the 1990s and 2006.

Public reaction to the security measures initially was positive. But many residents now complain that Trump's demands have gone too far, making their home sound like a war zone and offending both them and people from Mexico.

"The border is fluid culturally, economically," said Cesar Blanco, a Democratic lawmaker who lives a stone's throw from the wall. "We are a binational community."

Those who live near the wall say they see few people climbing the barriers now. In fiscal year 2017, about 25,000 people were apprehended in Border Patrol's El

Paso sector, down from 122,000-plus in fiscal year 2006.

Instead, those crossing illegally now tend to do so outside the city in desolate deserts where deaths from exposure have risen. Democrats argue that electronic sensors and patrols are a more effective answer for additional border security.

The demand for more and bigger walls has become "the supreme symbol of racism," said Fernando Garcia, executive director of the Border Network for Human Rights in El Paso. "Obviously he'll have some people attend his rally," he said of Trump, but "he cannot lie about what we're about."

The FBI's Uniform Crime Report shows that El

Paso's annual number of reported violent crimes dropped from nearly 5,000 in 1995 to around 2,700 in 2016. But that corresponded to similar declines in violent crime nationwide and included times when the city's crime rates actually increased year-over-year, despite new fencing and walls.

Dee Margo, El Paso's mayor and a former Republican state lawmaker, tweeted after the State of the Union that his city was "NEVER one of the MOST dangerous cities in the U.S." adding that border walls are only partly the reason.

"I'm really glad President Trump is coming here," he said in a subsequent interview. "I just hope we get chance to show him what it's really like on the border."

China, Russia top Pompeo agenda in Central Europe

BY MATTHEW LEE

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. fears about China and Russia's growing influence in Central Europe will top Secretary of State Mike Pompeo's agenda as he heads to the region this week, Trump administration officials say.

Pompeo left Sunday on a five-nation tour of Europe that will begin in Hungary and Slovakia where he will raise those concerns and the importance of promoting democracy and the rule of law to counter Beijing and Moscow's efforts to pull the countries away from the West and sow divisions in the European Union and NATO.

The centerpiece of the trip will be a conference on the future of the Middle East in Poland on Wednesday and Thursday that is expected to focus on Iran and will also be attended by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Vice President Mike Pence and President Donald Trump's Mideast peace team of senior adviser and son-in-law Jared Kushner and special envoy for international negotiations Jason Greenblatt.

But in Budapest and Bratislava on Monday and Tuesday, Pompeo will specifically point to issues related to Central Europe's reliance on Russian energy and the presence of the Chinese high-tech telecom firm Huawei, particularly in Hungary, according to the officials, who were not authorized to publicly discuss Pompeo's travel and spoke on condition of anonymity. U.S. officials are deeply troubled by Huawei's expansion, especially in NATO member states where they believe it poses significant information security threats.

The officials said Pompeo hoped to reverse what they called a decade of U.S. disengagement in Central



Secretary of State Mike Pompeo will attend a two-day conference on the Middle East in Warsaw, Poland.

Europe that created a vacuum that Russia and China have exploited. Over the course of the past 10 years, the officials said Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese leaders have become much more aggressive in the region and making inroads.

One official said Pompeo would "look for areas of shared interest that have been neglected in the recent past" in order to "wrong-foot the West's rivals in places where they have gained bridgeheads."

The administration has made a point of reaching out to Hungary's nationalist Prime Minister Victor Orban, who shares Trump's strong stance on limiting migration and has adopted increasingly authoritarian measures, including cracking down on the opposition, labor unions, independent media and academia.

The Obama administration had largely steered clear of Orban, who won a third consecutive term last year in a campaign based on anti-immigration policies and whose policies have been met with street protests.

Last month, Orban said he wanted "anti-immigration forces" to become a majority in all European Union institutions, including its Parliament and the

EU's executive Commission and predicted that there would soon be two civilizations in Europe — one "that builds its future on a mixed Islamic and Christian coexistence" and another in Central Europe that would be only Christian.

Human rights groups and others have lamented Pompeo's plans to meet with Orban and urged him to take a strong stance against his policies.

Secretary Pompeo needs to treat this trip not as a friendly meeting between allies, but as an opportunity to have a frank conversation with a state increasingly at odds with both American interests and its human rights obligations.

Human Rights First said in a statement, "At the same time that he's rolling back Hungary's post-Cold War democratic gains, Orban is making increasingly clear where his strategic affinities lie by cozying up to the Kremlin."

The U.S. officials defended the Budapest stop, saying it is impossible to press the U.S. positions and interests in Hungary effectively without meeting Orban.

After the Mideast, Pompeo will wrap up his trip with brief stops in Brussels and Reykjavik, Iceland, on Friday.

S. Korea will contribute more for U.S. troops in new deal

BY HYUNG-JIN KIM

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea and the United States struck a new deal Sunday that increases Seoul's contribution for the cost of the American military presence on its soil, overcoming previous failed negotiations that caused worries about their decades-long alliance.

The development comes as President Donald Trump is set to hold his second summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in Vietnam in late February.

South Korea last year provided about \$830 million, covering roughly 40 percent of the cost of the deployment of 28,500 U.S. soldiers whose presence is meant to deter aggression from North Korea. Trump has pushed for South Korea to pay more.

On Sunday, chief negotiators from the two countries signed a new cost-sharing plan, which requires South Korea to pay about \$924 million in 2019, Seoul's Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The statement said the two countries reaffirmed the need for a "stable" U.S. military deployment amid the "rapidly changing situation on the Korean Peninsula." The ministry said the U.S. assured South Korea that it is committed to the alliance and has no plans to adjust the number of its troops in South Korea.

South Korea began paying for the U.S. military deployment in the early 1990s, after rebuilding its economy from the devastation of the 1950-1953 Korean War. The big U.S. military presence in South Korea is a symbol of the countries' alliance, forged in blood during the war, but also a source of long-running anti-American sentiments.

About 20 anti-U.S. activists rallied near the Foreign



Chief U.S. negotiator Timothy Betts greets South Korean Foreign Minister Kang Kyung-wha in Seoul on Sunday.

Ministry building in Seoul on Sunday, chanting slogans such as "No more money for U.S. troops." No violence was reported.

The United States government realizes that Korea does a lot for our alliance and peace and stability in the region," chief U.S. negotiator Timothy Betts said Sunday in Seoul.

"We are very pleased our consultations resulted in agreement that will strengthen transparency and deepen our cooperation and the alliance."

The deal, which involves the spending of South Korean taxpayer money, requires parliamentary approval in South Korea, but not in the United States, according to Seoul's Foreign Ministry.

The allies had failed to reach a new cost-sharing plan during about 10 rounds of talks. A five-year 2014 deal that covered South Korea's payment last year expired at the end of 2018.

Some conservatives in South Korea voiced concerns over a weakening alliance with the United States at the same time as negotiations with North Korea to deprive it of its nuclear weapons hit a stalemate. They said

Trump might use the failed military cost-sharing negotiations as an excuse to pull back some U.S. troops in South Korea as a bargaining chip in talks with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

Trump told CBS' "Face the Nation" on Feb. 3 that he has no plans to withdraw troops from South Korea. During his election campaign, Trump suggested he could pull back troops from South Korea and Japan unless they took on greater share of the financial burdens of supporting U.S. soldiers deployed there.

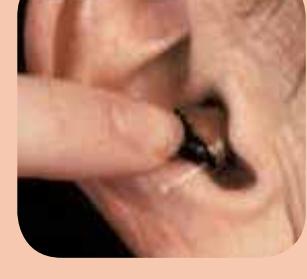
South Korean media earlier reported that Trump demanded South Korea double its spending for the U.S. military deployment, before his government eventually asked for \$1 billion. Seoul's Foreign Ministry said the U.S. had called for a sharp increase in South Korean spending but didn't elaborate.

The U.S. military arrived in South Korea to disarm Japan, which colonized the Korean Peninsula from 1910-45, following its World War II defeat. Most U.S. troops were withdrawn in 1949 but they returned the next year to fight alongside South Korea in the Korean War.

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CEO's lawyer denies Enquirer tried to extort Bezos

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The National Enquirer committed neither extortion nor blackmail by threatening to publish intimate photos of Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos, an attorney for the head of the tabloid's parent company said Sunday.

Elkan Abramowitz, an attorney for American Media Inc. Chief Executive David Pecker, said on Sunday a "reliable source" well-known to Bezos and his mistress provided the story about the billionaire's extramarital affair.

Bezos has said AMI threatened to publish the explicit photos of him unless he stopped investigating how the Enquirer obtained his private exchanges with his mistress,

former TV anchor Lauren Sanchez, and publicly declare that the Enquirer's coverage of him was not politically motivated. Bezos also owns The Washington Post.

Bezos' investigators have suggested the Enquirer's coverage of his affair was driven by dirty politics, and the high-profile clash has pitted the world's richest man against the leader of America's best-known tabloid, who is a strong backer of President Donald Trump. Trump has been highly

critical of Bezos over his ownership of The Washington Post and Amazon, and the Post's coverage of the White House.

Federal prosecutors are looking into whether the Enquirer violated a cooperation and nonprosecution agreement that recently spared the gossip sheet from charges for paying hush money to a Playboy model who claimed she had an affair with Trump, two people familiar with the matter told The Associated Press on Friday. The people weren't authorized to discuss the matter and spoke on condition of anonymity.

But asked during an interview with ABC's "This Week" whether he was concerned the Bezos matter could jeopardize the noncooperation agreement, Abramowitz said: "Absolutely not."

Abramowitz defended the tabloid's handling of the situation as part of a standard legal negotiation.

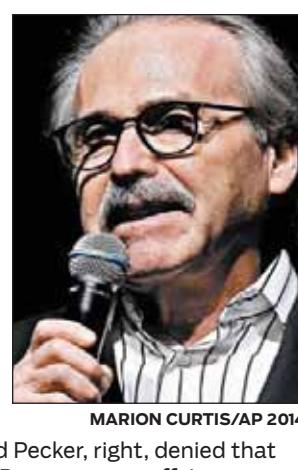
"I think both Bezos and AMI had interests in resolving their interests," Abramowitz said. "It's absolutely not a crime to ask somebody to simply tell the truth. Tell the truth that this was not politically motivated, and we will print no more stories."

Bezos' affair became public when the Enquirer



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An attorney for AMI CEO David Pecker, right, denied that tabloid tried to blackmail Jeff Bezos over an affair.



MARION CURTIS/AP 2014

Elkan Abramowitz would not comment when asked whether Michael Sanchez was the Enquirer's source.

published story on Jan. 9 about his relationship with Lauren Sanchez, who is also married. Bezos then hired a team of private investigators to find out how the tabloid got the texts and photos the two exchanged.

Bezos' personal investigators, led by his security consultant Gavin de Becker, have focused on Sanchez's brother, according to a person familiar with the matter. The person wasn't authorized to discuss the matter publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Michael Sanchez is his sister's manager, a Trump supporter and an acquaintance of Trump allies Roger Stone and Carter Page.

Abramowitz would not comment when asked whether Michael Sanchez was the Enquirer's source but said that "Bezos and Ms. Sanchez knew who the source was."

Michael Sanchez has declined to speak with AP on the record. In a Jan. 31 tweet, he said without evidence that de Becker "spreads fake, unhinged

conservative conspiracy theories."

In his blog post on Thursday, Bezos alluded to a possible relationship between Saudi Arabia and AMI, but Adel al-Jubeir, Saudi Arabia's minister of state of foreign affairs, said he had "no idea" about such a relationship and doubted the kingdom played any role in urging AMI to run negative stories about Bezos. Last year, the tabloid produced a glossy magazine that included 97 pages saluting Saudi Arabia, ahead of Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's arrival in the U.S. on a public relations blitz to transform his country's image.

"It's like a soap opera," al-Jubeir said of Bezos' allegations during a roundtable on Friday with reporters in Washington.

Asked about AMI's recent \$450 million debt restructuring, Abramowitz said "not a penny" of that money came from the Saudi kingdom. The company had sought financing from the Saudis but never received any, he said.

After Bezos on Thursday posted the exchanges with AMI in a blog post on Medium.com, several celebrities and journalists posted on social media that they too had been threatened by AMI.

Ronan Farrow said he

and "and at least one other prominent journalist" involved in reporting on the tabloid had "fielded similar stop digging or we'll ruin you" blackmail efforts from AMI and actor Terry Crews alleged the company tried to "silence him" by "fabricating stories of me with prostitutes."

Abramowitz said he didn't know of any AMI employees blackmailing celebrities or journalists or "committing any crime at all."

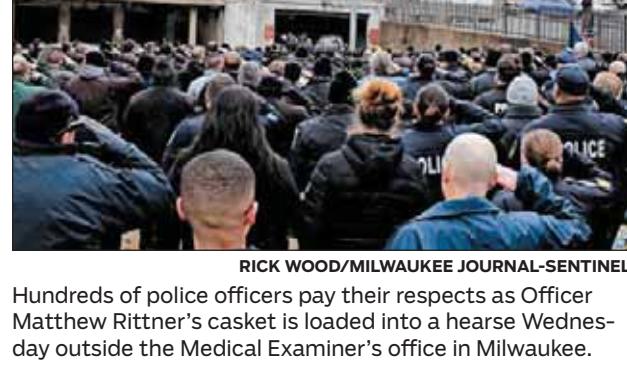
In recent months, the tabloid acknowledged secretly assisting Trump's White House campaign by paying \$150,000 to Playboy centerfold Karen McDougal for the rights to her story about an alleged affair with Trump. The company then buried the story until after the 2016 election.

Trump's longtime personal attorney and fixer Michael Cohen pleaded guilty last year to charges that included helping to broker that transaction.

As part of a nonprosecution agreement in that case, AMI promised not to break the law. The deal requires top executives, including Pecker and the Enquirer's editor, Dylan Howard, to cooperate with federal prosecutors. A violation of the agreement could lead to criminal charges over the McDougal payments.

Suspect charged in fatal shooting of Milwaukee cop

Associated Press



Hundreds of police officers pay their respects as Officer Matthew Rittner's casket is loaded into a hearse Wednesday outside the Medical Examiner's office in Milwaukee.



MILWAUKEE — A man who was charged Sunday with killing a Milwaukee officer during a drug raid on his home told investigators that he didn't realize it was police trying to break down his door, authorities said.

Jordan P. Fricke, 26, is charged with first-degree intentional homicide and other crimes in the fatal shooting of 35-year-old Officer Matthew Rittner, who was part of a tactical unit trying to serve a warrant to search the home for illegal drugs and weapons Wednesday morning.

According to the criminal complaint, police announced their presence several times and said they had a search warrant, and an officer yelled "police" right before Fricke fired four rounds through a hole in the door that Rittner had made with a battering ram. Rittner died of a gunshot wound to the chest.

Fricke was in bed with his girlfriend when they were awakened by loud noise and yelling. He told investigators that he never heard anyone yell "search warrant." He said he thought he heard someone say "police" but didn't think it was actually the police trying to break into his home, the complaint states.

Fricke's girlfriend said she saw him shoot at the kitchen door and that she knew police were at the door because she heard them identify themselves, according to the complaint.

Fricke, who also faces reckless endangerment and drug charges, remained jailed on Sunday with preliminary bail set at \$500,000.

Rittner, a 17-year veteran, was the third Milwaukee officer killed in the line of duty in eight months. The department had gone more than two decades without such a death.

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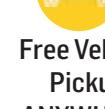
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Ex-N.J. golf club workers say lack of legal status known

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The Washington Post

SANTA TERESA DE CAJON, Costa Rica — At his home on the misty slope of Costa Rica's tallest mountain, Dario Angulo keeps a set of photographs from the years he tended the rolling fairways and clipped greens of a faraway American golf resort.

Angulo learned to drive backhoes and bulldozers, carving water hazards and tee boxes out of former horse pastures in Bedminster, N.J., where a famous New Yorker was building a world-class course. Angulo earned \$8 an hour, a fraction of what a state-licensed heavy equipment operator would make, with no benefits or overtime pay. But he stayed seven years on the grounds crew, saving enough for a small piece of land and some cattle back home.

Now the 34-year-old lives with his wife and daughters in a sturdy house built by "Trump money," as he put it, with a porch to watch the sun go down.

It's a common story in this small town.

Other former employees of President Donald Trump's company live nearby: men who once raked the sand traps and pushed mowers through thick heat on prized golf property — the "Summer White House," as aides have called it — where his daughter Ivanka got married and where he wants to build a family cemetery.

"Many of us helped him get what he has today," Angulo said. "This golf course was built by illegals."

The Washington Post spoke with 16 men and women from Costa Rica and other Latin American countries, including six in Santa



Former groundskeeper Dario Angulo raises cattle in Costa Rica and lives in a home that was built by "Trump money."

Teresa de Cajon, who said they were employed at the Trump National Golf Club Bedminster. All of them said they worked for Trump without legal status — and that their managers knew.

The former employees who still live in New Jersey provided pay slips documenting their work at the Bedminster club. They identified friends and relatives in Costa Rica who also were employed at the course. In Costa Rica, The Post located former workers in two regions who provided detailed accounts of their time at the Bedminster property and shared memorabilia they had kept, such as Trump-branded golf tees, as well as photos of themselves at the club.

The brightly painted homes that line the road in Santa Teresa de Cajon, many paid for by wages earned more than 4,000 miles away, are the fruits of a long-running pipeline of illegal workers to the presi-

dent's course, one that carried far more than a few unauthorized employees who slipped through the cracks.

Soon after Trump broke ground at Bedminster in 2002 with a golden shovel, this village emerged as a wellspring of low-paid labor for the private club, which charges tens of thousands of dollars to join. Over the years, dozens of workers from Costa Rica filled jobs as groundskeepers, housekeepers and dishwashers at Bedminster, former employees said. The club hired others from El Salvador, Mexico and Guatemala who spoke to The Post. Many ended up in the blue-collar borough of Bound Brook, N.J., piling into vans before dawn to head to the course each morning.

Their descriptions of Bedminster's long reliance on illegal workers are bolstered by a newly obtained police report showing that the club's head of security

was told in 2011 about an employee suspected of using false identification papers — the first known documentation of a warning to the Trump Organization about the legal status of a worker.

Other supervisors received similar flags over the years, including Bedminster's general manager, who was told by a worker from Ecuador several years ago that she entered the country illegally, the employee said.

Eric Trump, a son of the president who runs the Trump Organization along with brother Donald Trump Jr., declined to comment on the accounts by the former workers. Bedminster managers did not return requests for comment.

The company's recent purge of unauthorized workers from at least five Trump properties contributes to mounting evidence that the president benefited for years from the work of

illegal laborers he now vilifies.

It remains unclear what measures Trump or his company took to avoid hiring such workers, even after he launched a White House bid built around the threat he says they pose to Americans.

White House officials did not respond to requests for comment.

Eric Trump has said he and other senior Trump Organization executives did not know the company hired illegal workers, noting that the employees used falsified documents.

"We have tens of thousands of employees across our properties and have very strict hiring practices," the company said in a statement in December. "If any employee submitted false documentation in an attempt to circumvent the law, they will be terminated immediately. We take this issue very seriously."

Over the years, the net-

work from Costa Rica to Bedminster expanded as workers recruited friends and relatives, some flying to the United States on tourist visas and others paying smugglers thousands of dollars to help them cross the U.S.-Mexico border, former employees said. New hires needed little more than a crudely printed phony green card and a fake Social Security number to land a job, they said.

Some workers described Bedminster as their launchpad to buy homes and start businesses. Others remembered it as grueling labor under bosses who were demanding, even bigoted — and who at times used the workers' illegal status against them.

After the New York Times in December reported about two housekeepers without legal status who worked at Bedminster, the Trump Organization fired at least 18 employees at five golf courses in New York and New Jersey, part of what Eric Trump has said is "a broad effort" to identify unauthorized workers. An additional undisclosed number were fired from Bedminster, former employees said.

As president, his father has repeatedly called for a crackdown on illegal immigration.

"Tolerance for illegal immigration is not compassionate — it is cruel," Trump said during his recent State of the Union address.

But the lax hiring practices at Bedminster and other Trump properties described by former employees — including some who said their supervisors discussed their fake documents — stand in sharp contrast with Trump's rhetoric.

While other top-tier golf U.S. courses adopted the federal government's E-Verify system to check the immigration status of potential hires, the Trump Organization is only now planning to implement it.

Shutdown looms as border talks hit stalemate

Border, from Page 1

partment along with State, Agriculture, Commerce and a number of other federal agencies are currently operating on a stopgap spending bill that Trump signed Jan. 25. There's little appetite for another short-term funding extension, but without some action by midnight Feb. 15, those agencies will run out of money and begin to shut down again.

Another funding lapse could affect many Americans within days, because one of the agencies that would go unfunded during the shutdown is the IRS, which is processing tax returns for millions of people. During the 35-day shutdown that began in late December, thousands of IRS officials refused to show up for work without pay, backlogging the tax filing process.

The president, who is scheduled to hold a rally in El Paso, Texas, on Monday night that's likely to focus on his demands for more border security, referenced the disagreement in a tweet Sunday.

"I don't think the Dems

on the Border Committee are being allowed by their leaders to make a deal. They are offering very little money for the desperately needed Border Wall & now, out of the blue, want a cap on convicted violent felons to be held in detention!" the president wrote.

Lawmakers on the 17-member conference committee had been trading offers over how much money could go to barriers along the U.S.-Mexico border, and were looking at \$1.3 billion to \$2 billion — far short of the \$5.7 billion Trump had demanded.

The White House had begun to signal flexibility on that issue, even though Trump would end up with much less money than he sought.

But throughout the talks, Democrats had also been focused on limiting ICE's ability to detain unauthorized immigrants, which has become a major issue for the party because of their opposition to the Trump administration's aggressive detention tactics.

The Democrats' proposal included a new limit on detention beds for immigrants picked up not at the border, but in the interior of the country.



President Donald Trump is unlikely to get the border wall funding he sought in the border committee's compromise.

Democrats wanted to cap that number at 16,500, which they said is around the level of interior detentions in the final years of the Obama administration, although it's fewer than the number currently detained under the Trump administration's enforcement policies.

Republicans want to exclude a range of immigrants from the cap. These would be people convicted of, or charged with, a variety of crimes, ranging from violent felonies to misdemeanor drug offenses.

But Democrats said that

would make the cap toothless, because it would allow ICE to round up numerous people who don't have criminal records and hold an unlimited number of people who, in some cases, have been charged with misdemeanors.

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard, D-Calif., a member of the conference committee, defended the Democratic position on bed space.

"A cap on ICE detention beds will force the Trump administration to prioritize deportation for criminals and people who pose real security threats, not law-

abiding immigrants who are contributing to our country," Roybal-Allard said in a statement.

Democrats, newly in control of the House, have faced pressure from some liberals in their ranks to draw a much harder line in their negotiations over the border. Liberals, including Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., have proposed entirely cutting funding to ICE.

Democrats on the bipartisan negotiating committee have resisted those demands. But Republicans quickly seized on the new dispute over detention beds

to try to lump all Democrats in with the most liberal elements in the party.

"Now, apparently, not only is it enough they want to abolish ICE. They want to abolish the bed spaces available to the country to house violent offenders, so they can be held and deported," Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said on Fox News Channel. "I promise you this. Donald Trump is not going to sign any bill that reduces the number of bed spaces available to hold violent offenders who come across our border. He won't do that."

Schiff concerned Mueller isn't scrutinizing Trump's finances

BY GREG MILLER

The Washington Post

The chairman of the House Intelligence Committee expressed concern Sunday that special counsel Robert Mueller has not adequately scrutinized President Donald Trump's finances and said House investigators plan to probe Trump's relationship with a bank implicated in Russian money laundering.

"We are not interested in our committee in whether he's a tax cheat or not worth



Rep. Adam Schiff said his panel will look at finances.

in a \$10 billion money laundering scheme that allowed clients in Russia to move vast sums overseas.

Schiff voiced concern that Mueller has shied away

from investigating Trump's ties to the German lender, saying that "if the special counsel hasn't subpoenaed Deutsche Bank, he can't be doing much of a money-laundering investigation."

Schiff was referring to reports last year that Mueller's office had told Trump's lawyers it was not seeking Deutsche Bank records related to Trump's accounts or loans. Deutsche

Bank became a critical lender to Trump in the late 1990s when major U.S. banks refused to do busi-

ness with the New York real estate developer after re-entered bankruptcy.

Trump has described his finances as a "red line" Mueller should not cross, and he threatened to fire Mueller in late 2017 amid reports that the special counsel was seeking records from Deutsche Bank.

Trump reportedly backed down after his lawyers obtained assurances from Mueller.

Schiff said he is concerned that Trump's "red line has been enforced

whether by the deputy attorney general (Rod Rosenstein) or by some other party at the Justice Department. But that leaves the country exposed."

A spokesman for the special counsel did not respond to a request for comment.

The House intelligence committee has sought to bolster its investigative staff with financial and forensic accounting experts, part of an expansion of the Trump-Russia probe since Democrats gained control of the chamber.



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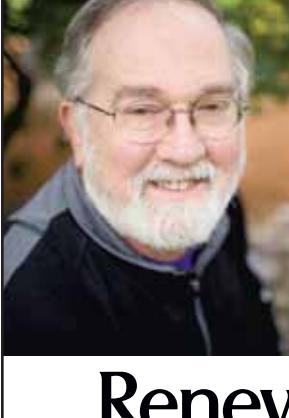
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Pacific Northwest faces more snow as 2 storms bear down

SEATTLE — Pacific Northwest residents who are more accustomed to rain than snow were digging out from a winter storm and bracing for more on Sunday.

The sun was out but the National Weather Service said snow would return late in the afternoon into the evening across the Northwest. Snowfall amounts will range from an inch to 3 inches through Sunday night.

Storms have delivered

more snow to Seattle in the first days of February than it usually gets in a year, The Seattle Times reported.

Snow was expected to push into the Puget Sound area later Sunday afternoon and continue into the early overnight hours, the weather service said. There will be a brief break before another system arrives.

Low temperature records could fall Sunday, meteorologists said.

Venezuelan doctors protest holdup of humanitarian aid

CUCUTA, Colombia — Venezuelan doctors protested Sunday at the entrance to a bridge blocked by their nation's military to demand that humanitarian aid be allowed to enter, as opposition leader Juan Guaidó acknowledged the conflict over the food and medical supplies could lead to clashes.

Carrying a giant Venezuelan flag, about two dozen doctors in white coats called on the mili-

tary to remove a tanker and two cargo containers blocking the Tienditas International Bridge where humanitarian aid provided by the United States is being stored.

The doctors protested on the Colombia side of the border.

Dr. Katia Diaz, a psychiatrist, said that each day aid sits waiting for transport represents one more day in which patient lives are at risk.

Rep. Jones, R-N.C., initial backer and later critic of Iraq War, dies

Walter B. Jones Jr., a North Carolina congressman who so enthusiastically supported the 2003 invasion of Iraq that he argued for the french fries and French toast served in House cafeterias to be called "freedom fries" and "freedom toast" — a jab at France for its opposition to the war — but who later underwent a dramatic change of heart and emerged as a prominent Republican critic of the

war, died Sunday, on his 76th birthday.

His office confirmed the death in a statement. It had announced on Jan. 26 that the 13-term lawmaker had entered hospice care.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —

Mourners plan to gather

Monday at a memorial

service in Tennessee for

musician Kyle Yorlets after

the frontman for the rock

band Carverton was

gunned down during a robbery.

Yorlets, 24, was fatally

shot outside his home

Thursday, Metropolitan

Nashville police said.

Five youths in a stolen

pickup truck were in an

alley behind Yorlets' home

when they spotted him

outside, police said in a

statement.

They are accused of

stealing his wallet, de-

manding the keys to his

vehicle and shooting him

when he refused.

Authorities later ar-

rested the youths at a Nash-

ville store and recovered

two stolen, loaded pistols.

The suspects ranging in age

from 12 to 16 were charged

with criminal homicide,

and prosecutors were seek-

ing to try them as adults.

Government asks lawmakers to give May more Brexit time

LONDON — With Brexit just 47 days away, the British government asked

lawmakers Sunday to give

Prime Minister Theresa

May more time to rework

her divorce deal with the

European Union.

Communities Secretary James Brokenshire said Parliament would get to pass judgment on May's Brexit plan "no later than Feb. 27."

The promise is a bid to avert a showdown Thursday, when Parliament is set to debate and vote on next moves in the Brexit process. Some lawmakers want to try to seize control and

steer the country toward a softer exit from the bloc.

Britain is due to leave the

EU on March 29, but Parlia-

ment has rejected May's

divorce bill, leaving the

prime minister to seek

changes from the EU. The

UK's bid for last-minute

changes has exasperated

EU leaders, who insist the

legally binding withdrawal

agreement can't be

changed.

The impasse risks a chaotic "no deal" departure for Britain, which could be painful for businesses and ordinary people on both sides of the Channel.

British businesses fear a

no-deal Brexit will cause

gridlock at ports by ripping

up the trade rulebook and

imposing tariffs, customs

checks and other barriers

between the U.K. and the

EU, its biggest trading part-

ner.

Opponents of the govern-

ment accuse May of

deliberately wasting time

so that Parliament will face

a last-minute choice be-

tween her deal and no deal.

Carolyn Fairbairn of the

Confederation of British

Industry said failure to se-

cure a deal in good time

was "negligence on behalf

of our political institutions

and leaders."

Denver teachers to strike Monday as talks stall

DENVER — Denver teachers are planning to strike Monday for the first time in 25 years after failed negotiations with the school district over base pay.

The teachers union and Denver Public Schools met Saturday in an attempt to reach a new contract after more than a year of negotiations, but both sides left disappointed.

The Denver Classroom Teachers Association released a statement after the meeting saying the district's proposal lacks transparency and "pushes for failed incentives."

"We will strike Monday for our students and for our profession," said Henry Roman, president of the teachers union.

Meanwhile, schools Superintendent Susana Cordova said she was "extremely disappointed" that the union walked away from the table.

In Spain: Tens of thousands of people joined a right-wing rally in Spain's capital Sunday to demand that Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez step down for his handling of the Catalonia's secession crisis. Many in the crowd in Madrid waved the national flag and chanted slogans calling for the Socialist prime minister to quit.

In Germany: Five water-

colors attributed to Nazi

dictator Adolf Hitler from

his early days as a strug-

gling artist have failed to

sell at auction in Nurem-

berg, possibly over fears

they could be fakes. A local

newspaper reported Sun-

day that no bids were

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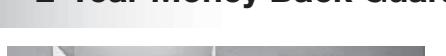


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EDITORIALS

Measles surges again as it finds a weak spot: Anti-vax parents

If a disease were striking children, causing rash and fever and sometimes escalating to brain swelling, pneumonia and even death, there would be a public demand to do something about it.

America did, and measles was declared eradicated here in 2000.

Now the malady is back in Illinois and at least nine other states, with two cases in downstate Champaign and an alarming breakout in the Pacific Northwest, where the governor of Washington has declared a state of emergency.

Blame a stubbornly resistant anti-vaccine movement driven by dangerous pseudoscience and the worst impulses of obsessive overparenting. "I know what's best for my child!" anti-vax parents say, and measles spreads.

The World Health Organization warned Thursday of a dramatic rise in measles cases globally as parents reject vaccines for their children. In Europe, measles cases reached their highest level in a decade in 2018. Outbreaks have hit the Philippines and Madagascar. In a world of global travel, these aren't distant concerns. A month-long series of cases in New York has been traced to an unvaccinated child who caught the disease on a trip to Israel.

Measles can cause lifelong effects including deafness. It is ugly, with its blotchy, fevered spots, some of which leave permanent scars. It's highly contagious and miserable to experience.

A worried anti-vaccination parent posted on Facebook to ask whether there were any precautions she could take to protect her 3-year-old from a measles outbreak. Ah, if only there were a way. She was rightly given a social media spanking.

Measles vaccine is 97 percent effective after two doses, which usually also protect against mumps, rubella and sometimes varicella, or chickenpox, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A well-vaccinated population takes on a "herd immunity" that hinders outbreaks. Some states, including Washington, allow parents wide latitude in skipping the vaccine. The Washington legisla-



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ture is now rethinking that.

"Thankfully, we live in a highly immunized community," Julie Pryde, administrator of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, told the local News-Gazette. "That's why it doesn't go wild like a brush fire."

Watching plump, pure baby flesh pierced and feeling trepidation about how the child's system will react can be legitimately nerve-wracking for a parent. That's no license to avoid a medical necessity that protects child and community. The right to resist comes with a corresponding respon-

sibility to back up that impulse with rigorous research.

Once more: Both studies that purported to find a link between vaccines and autism have been thoroughly discredited. There is no evidence connecting the two.

Seeking a second opinion may sometimes be wise. Opting out of sound medicine and public health policy in favor of conspiracy theories is not.

"All schoolchildren who have not yet had a measles immunization should beg their parents to arrange for them to have one as soon as possible," children's author

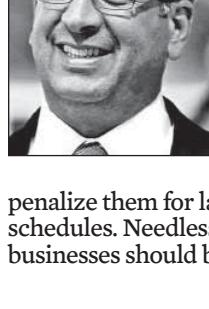
Roald Dahl wrote in a 1980s essay promoting vaccination. His daughter Olivia, to whom he dedicated "James and the Giant Peach," died of measles-induced encephalitis at age 7.

Dahl was onto something. Illinois is among states that allow "mature minors" a voice in their own medical care. Children of anti-vax parents are visiting websites like Reddit to seek advice on how to get vaccines all by themselves.

Now that's some healthy skepticism of unwise parenting.

Our choices for Chicago City Council: Wards 45 and 46

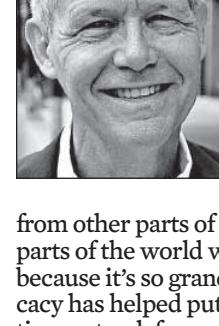
The Tribune Editorial Board continues its endorsements in contested races for aldermanic seats in the Feb. 26 municipal election.



45th Ward: We don't agree with every position incumbent Ald. **John Arena** takes. One measure he sponsored last year would require companies to post work schedules for employees two weeks in advance and penalize them for later tweaking those schedules. Needless meddling in decisions businesses should be able to make on their

own, we thought. But what we like about Arena is that he has been an independent thinker on the City Council, unafraid to veer from Mayor Rahm Emanuel's agenda. Arena has repeatedly backed wider scrutiny of the council by the city inspector general's office. And in his ward, which includes Old Irving Park, Portage Park and Jefferson Park, he has helped bring in 100 new businesses, and championed more affordable housing for low-income tenants, veterans and the disabled. Arena is our choice in a field that includes Marilyn Morales, a Chicago Park District park operations manager; field technician Robert Bank; and Chicago firefighter James Gardiner.

46th Ward: Incumbent Ald. **James Cappleman** knows what the resurrection of



the Uptown Theatre means for his ward, which includes parts of Uptown and Lakeview — and he envisions what it can mean for Chicago writ large. In 2015 he told the Tribune that if the renovation ever came to fruition, "people coming from other parts of the country and other parts of the world would want to visit it because it's so grand." Cappleman's advocacy has helped put the Uptown's restoration on track for a potential reopening in 2021. It's a project that will re-energize the theater's neighborhood and, yes, become a major tourist draw. As the new chairman of

the city's Zoning Committee (farewell, Ald. Danny Solis), Cappleman also is taking the right tack with the controversial \$6 billion Lincoln Yards project in Lincoln Park. Residents still have questions about the project's density, traffic impact and lack of affordable housing. Cappleman says he wants the community to sign off on Lincoln Yards before the project proceeds. We see big possibilities for Lincoln Yards as an investment in Chicago's future. But we've also urged cooling the rush to get it rubber-stamped at City Hall. In the best of worlds, Cappleman oversees a responsible vetting that doesn't become an eternal stall. Other candidates in the 46th include Jon-Robert McDowell, an account manager; CPS teacher Erika Wozniak Francis; Marianne Lalonde; Justin Kreindler; and Angela Clay. Cappleman is endorsed.

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WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Like President Donald Trump, Joe Biden once wanted to get the United States out of Afghanistan as fast as possible — or at least to dramatically scale down the U.S. presence there. Indeed, back in 2009 it was one of the few arguments that Biden, then a freshly minted vice president, lost with his boss, President Barack Obama ...

So if Biden is eventually nominated by the Democratic Party to run against Trump in 2020, it's not going to be all that easy for him to differentiate himself from the incumbent. That's because Trump has already called, Biden Plan-style, for halving U.S. troops in Afghanistan, and is currently negotiating intensively with the Taliban over an American withdrawal — another approach long supported by Biden, who back in 2011 declared controversially that the Taliban "is not our enemy" and reconciliation was possible.

And here's the problem for the Democrats as the 2020 race begins: Biden, of all the party's potential nominees, may have the most differences with Trump on foreign policy. Other contenders could well have even more trouble distinguishing themselves from the president, especially if the Democratic Party is prodded by its progressive wing into trade protectionism and the populist arena dominated by Trump since 2016.

Biden, at least, is a free trader. But Trump has already co-opted part of the agenda of leading Democratic progressives who are also contemplating a 2020 challenge. ... Moreover, on the issue of U.S. deployments overseas, it's hard to find Democrats who will stake their campaigns on defending what are perceived to be unwinnable wars in places such as Afghanistan or Syria.

Michael Hirsh, Foreign Policy

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Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE

Green New Deal backers embrace their fantasies



JONAH GOLDBERG

On Thursday, U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., and U.S. Sen. Ed Markey, D-Mass., introduced what many news outlets described as "legislation" for the Green New Deal, a wildly ambitious plan to eliminate the U.S. fossil fuel industry within a decade or so. It's worth noting that it's not legislation as people normally understand the term. It's a resolution titled "Recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal." In other words, even if it passed — a considerable if — nothing would really happen.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi isn't taking it too seriously. She didn't put Ocasio-Cortez on the new Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, and when asked about the resolution, Pelosi was dismissive. "It will be one of several or maybe many suggestions that we receive," she said. "The green dream or whatever they call it, nobody knows what it is, but they're for it, right?"

I bring this up because a lot of people on the left and right have every incentive to make this thing a much bigger deal than it is. Still, given that almost everyone running for the Democratic presidential nomination feels obliged to say they're for it, it's worth taking somewhat seriously.

This raises the first of several problems: It's not a very serious proposal. The goal is to eliminate the fossil fuel industry over a decade and, perversely, phase out nuclear power over a slightly longer period. All of the jobs dependent on these industries would be replaced by government-guaranteed jobs.

"We set a goal to get to net-zero, rather than zero emissions, in 10 years," the backers explain in an outline, "because we aren't sure that we'll be able to fully get rid of farting cows and airplanes that fast, but we think we can ramp up renewable manufacturing and power production, retrofit every building in America,



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U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., speaks as Sen. Ed Markey, D-Mass., listens at a news conference unveiling a Green New Deal resolution.

The free market hasn't been given free rein, and over the last 40 years the free market and government regulations alike have made laudable environmental progress.

build the smart grid, overhaul transportation and agriculture, plant lots of trees and restore our ecosystem to get to net-zero."

Well, at least the plan isn't too ambitious. Retrofitting "every building in America" can be done

in 10 years, but eliminating the gassy cows will take a bit longer. Maybe we'll move them to Hawaii, which with the near-abolition of airplanes will be effectively cut off anyway.

Even if you take these goals seriously, as a practical matter it's a fantasy masquerading as green virtue-signaling. But it's a fantasy based on a worldview that should be treated seriously because it's dangerous. NPR's Steve Inskeep asked Ocasio-Cortez whether she was comfortable with the "massive government intervention" critics say is required by such an undertaking.

"We have tried their approach for 40 years," Ocasio-Cortez replied. "For 40 years we have tried to let the private sector take care of this. They said, 'We got this, we can do this, the forces of the market are going to force us to

innovate.' Except for the fact that there's a little thing in economics called externalities. And what that means is that a corporation can dump pollution in the river and they don't have to pay for it, and taxpayers have to pay."

The fascinating thing is that she thinks this is actually true.

Thanks to the government intervention known as the Clean Water Act and other regulations, corporations can't pollute waterways. Ironically, the only entities that can pollute with impunity are government agencies such as the EPA, which did precisely that in Colorado in 2015. Closer to home, ExxonMobil has spent millions cleaning up Newtown Creek, which happens to run through Brooklyn, close to Ocasio-Cortez's district. Ironically, the city of New York is still allowed to pollute the creek when-

ever there's a heavy rainfall.

Even if Ocasio-Cortez was speaking figuratively in her talk of "externalities," the larger point remains. The free market hasn't been given free rein, and over the last 40 years the free market and government regulations alike have made laudable environmental progress. In 2017, the U.S. had the largest reductions of CO₂ emissions in the world for the ninth time this century. Rather than celebrate and build on that reality, the Green New Dealers would rather embrace their fantasies — and waste a lot of time and money in the process.

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Was everyone terrible 30 years ago? And how should we talk about it now?

BY MONICA HESSE

A review of recent events leads to an exhausting question: Thirty years ago, how terrible were we?

Over the past week or so, actor Liam Neeson admitted to once responding to a loved one's sexual assault by roaming the streets looking for a black man to blame and attack. Neomi Rao, the nominee to replace Brett Kavanaugh on the federal appeals court in Washington, struggled to explain troubling remarks she'd made about gender and sexual assault in the early 1990s. The Washington Post uncovered a 1986 Texas state bar registration card in which Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., claimed her race as "American Indian" — the first reported incident that she'd done so in her own hand.

The Virginia governorship was roiled by the revelation that Democratic Gov. Ralph Northam, had appeared in blackface in 1984. The governorship was roiled again when the next politician in line, Democratic Lt. Gov. Justin Fairfax, was accused of a sexual assault, not 30 years ago but 14. And the governorship was roiled a third time when the next politician in line, Attorney General Mark Herring, also a Democrat, announced he also had appeared in blackface in the 1980s — darkening his skin as part of a Kurtis Blow costume at a college party.

Herring said in a statement that it was a "one-time occurrence. ... The shame of that moment has haunted me for decades."

And, maybe it had haunted him. But we should note that it apparently didn't haunt him enough to bring it up when he



Neomi Rao, nominated for the federal appeals court for the District of Columbia, testifies at a Senate confirmation hearing Tuesday.

was first running for office five years ago or at any moment since. He became properly haunted only when he was within throwing distance of the governorship and chances were good someone else would dig up a photo.

How do we judge and sort and categorize such revelations? How do we look at ourselves 30 years ago, and America 30 years ago, and how we shaped it and how it shaped us?

Many of these past events have been explained away as youthful indiscretions. Dumb things that, the perpetrators have insinuated, didn't seem so dumb at the time.

At Neomi Rao's confirmation hearing Tuesday, senators tried to separate now from then. Did Rao still believe, as she'd written while a student at Yale, that racial and sexual oppression was "a myth"? Did she still believe, as she'd written then, that there was a "dan-

gerous feminist idealism which teaches women that they are equal"?

Does she believe women aren't equal?

"I very much regret that statement," Rao replied to Sen. Joni Ernst, R-Iowa, who had posed the last question. "I'm honestly not sure why I wrote that in college."

She told the committee that she hoped she'd "matured as a thinker, writer and person."

And, maybe she had matured. And, maybe, "I'm honestly not sure why I wrote that in college" is the most self-reflection one can expect from a 45-year-old who now recognizes the world as a more complicated place than she'd viewed it at age 20.

But how do we weigh self-maturation against the harm to others that was caused 30 years ago? How do we deal with Ralph Northam, with Liam Neeson,

Elizabeth Warren, Mark Herring — with anyone, really, who comes forward at this point to apologize for their decades-old selves?

Northam and Herring might understand now that blackface is offensive and inexcusable. But actually, there were plenty, plenty of people who understood it then. Those people had to swallow their offense and watch the inexcusable be celebrated in the school yearbook.

Today, Neeson acknowledges that his racist tawling was hideous. It "shocked me, and it hurt me," he said Tuesday (it hurt him?). But the lynching of black men — who were brutalized and beaten, often because of sexual assault accusations — is a historic tragedy, and their ghosts don't benefit from Neeson's belated realization that arming himself with a bludgeon was despicable.

As for Rao: At her Senate committee hearing Tuesday, she described some of her past writings as "cringe-worthy." But on that same day, a quarter-century after her troubling statements on equality, senators asked her whether she still believed that same-sex relationships were "immoral," as she'd once implied. She refused to say.

Growth and evolution are real. We can all experience amazing grace, transforming our wretched hearts. Just look, for example, at Derek Black, a one-time white nationalist leader who now speaks out against white nationalism. His transformation is astonishing. His regret seems deep. But the damage he caused was also deep, when he hosted a racist radio show and moderated Stormfront discussion boards.

Can we believe that someone is no longer who they once were, while at the same time acknowledging the damage of what they once did?

And when it comes to elected officials: Is it too much to ask for someone who didn't have to be transformed to begin with?

What I'd love is for someone to get it right. Some candidate or appointee to apologize not because a leaked photo had suddenly forced them to but because they realized the error in their past behaviors, and they were prepared for an honest conversation illuminating America's hurtful past and the role they played in it.

I would like the apologist to stop insisting that those actions were deep in the past. They might have occurred 30 years ago, but now they're smack in the present. They're new, raw pieces of information to most of the voting public.

I would like to hear, "Here is what I did. Here's why I think I did it. Here's what happened that caused me to think differently. I can understand why that might not be enough for some of you. I can understand if that costs me the election."

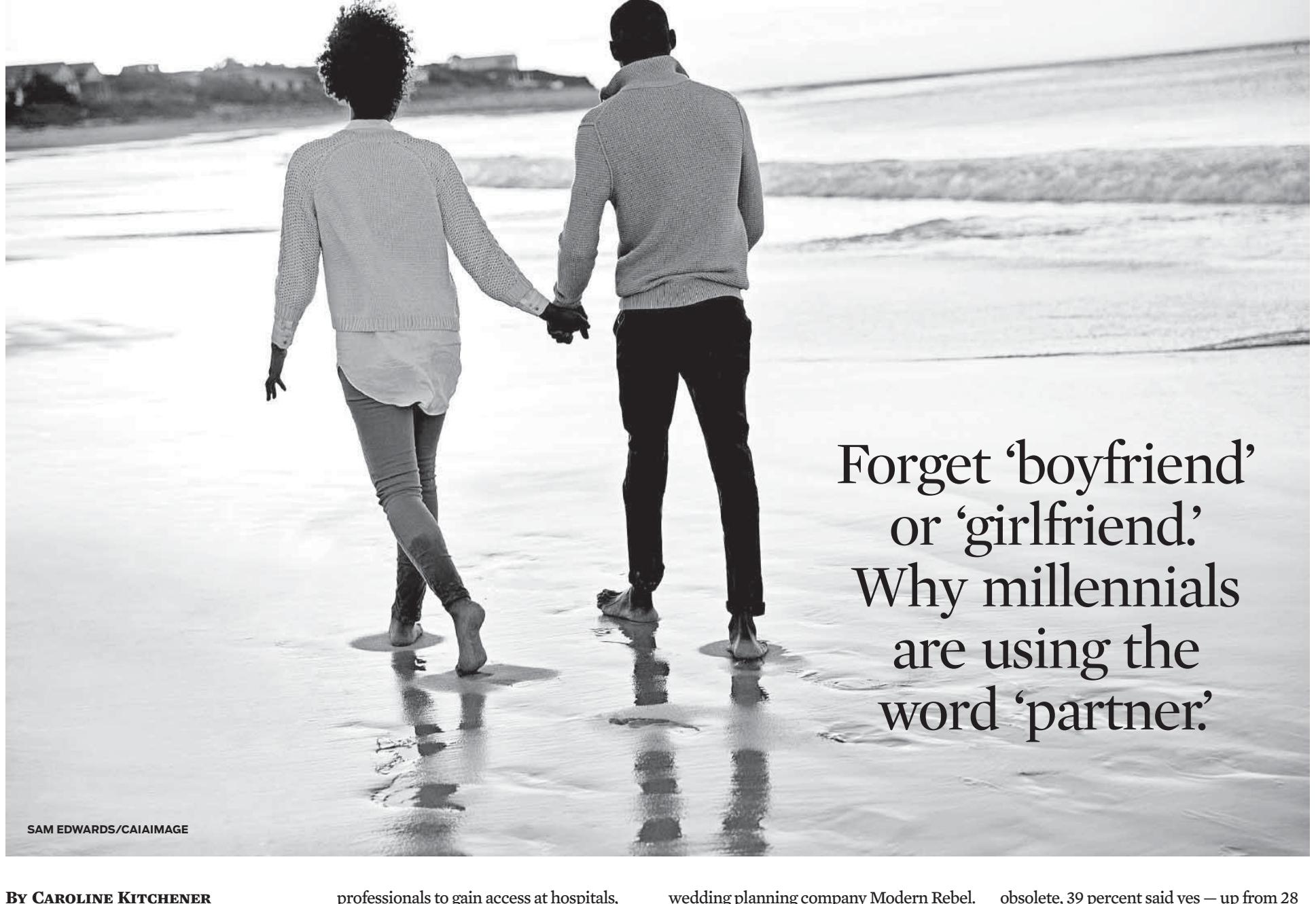
I would like sorrow and regret to run so deep that the pain of others is prioritized over positions of power.

That might result in a painful mass reckoning. But until it happens, we'll keep being haunted by our pasts, and we'll still be haunted in 30 years.

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PERSPECTIVE



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BY CAROLINE KITCHENER

After Gavin Newsom was sworn in as the governor of California earlier this month, his wife, Jennifer, announced her decision to forgo the traditional title of "first lady." She will be known, instead, as California's "first partner."

Jennifer Siebel Newsom, who wrote and directed "Miss Representation," a documentary about the underrepresentation of women in leadership, fashioned this term to signal her commitment to gender equality. "Being First Partner is about inclusion, breaking down stereotypes, and valuing the partnerships that allow any of us to succeed," she tweeted in January: "Being First Partner is about inclusion, breaking down stereotypes, and valuing the partnerships that allow any of us to succeed."

"Grateful for this opportunity to continue advocating for a more equitable future — now let's get to work!"

But with this new title, reflected on the governor's official website, Siebel Newsom is also publicly validating her constituency's changing lexicon. All over the country, particularly in bright blue states like California, people are swapping the words "boyfriend" and "girlfriend" — and even "husband" and "wife" — for the word "partner." According to data compiled by Google Trends, the search term "my partner" has been steadily gaining traction: It's more than eight times more popular now than it was 15 years ago.

"There are so many words that you first hear and think, 'That's weird.' Then they begin to seem more normal," said Deborah Tannen, a professor of linguistics at Georgetown University, who studies the language of relationships. "That's definitely happened with the word 'partner.'"

Gay roots

Originally used to describe a business relationship, "partner" was slowly adopted by the gay community in the mid- to late 1980s, said Michael Bronski, a professor of women and gender studies at Harvard University. As the AIDS epidemic rattled the country, he added, it became critical for gay people to signal the seriousness of their romantic relationships, both to health care

professionals to gain access at hospitals, and, eventually, to their employers, once companies began to extend health care benefits to domestic partners.

After the term "domestic partnership" gained significant legal and popular recognition, "partner" became the default word for much of the LGBT community until same-sex marriage was legalized in the United States in 2015.

More recently, straight couples have started saying "partner," with the term gaining most traction among young people in highly educated, liberal enclaves. On certain college campuses, several students

wedding planning company Modern Rebel. "But we work with couples who get married six years, nine years, 12 years after they started dating," she told me. "You think they weren't serious before then?" The word "partner," she said, gives couples the power to publicly announce a lasting adult commitment, without an engagement or a wedding. If the couple does decide to get married, the ceremony itself serves not to solidify the relationship, but to celebrate it, surrounded by family and friends.

Many couples continue to use the word "partner" even after they're married. Shackelford, who got married in Novem-

ber, 39 percent said yes — up from 28 percent when Time posed the same question in 1978. Millennials, who are marrying later in life than any previous generation, increasingly view the institution as "dated," said Andrew Cherlin, a professor of sociology and the family at Johns Hopkins University. "If you get married in your 20s, and you're part of a college-educated crowd, it might feel old-fashioned or even embarrassing to admit that you're married." Because today's young newlyweds are far less eager to trumpet their marital status, he told me, they're gravitating to "partner."

But some members of the LGBT community are skeptical. "It's a joke we all know," said Sean Drohan, a teacher based in New York City who identifies as gay. "If I was making a movie for a gay audience, and a straight couple introduced themselves as partners, that would definitely get a laugh." For most of his life, Drohan told me, he assumed he'd never be able to get married, and struggled with which words to attach to his romantic relationships, present and future. His father, he remembers, used the word "lover," which felt awkward and strangely disparaging. Gay people, he said, "have had the experience of treading weirdly over different words," ultimately finding "partner." "That was our word," he said, "and it kind of sucks for other people to want in on that."

He is especially dubious of people who use the term as what he calls a "performance of wokeness," an attempt to publicly showcase their progressive worldview.

"If they want to say 'partner,' people of relative privilege should take a moment to reflect on their word choice," Coco Romack wrote for Broadly last fall. "It never hurts to check yourself by asking, 'Why am I choosing to identify this way?'"

Drohan knows many straight people have good answers to that question. He finds the most obvious one particularly compelling.

"There is no nonmarriage marriage term, for anyone," Drohan said. "So on a logistical level, 'partner' just makes sense."

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"Significant other" sounds like it belongs on a legal document. "Lover" connotes too much sex for everyday use; "companion," not enough. "Partner," on the other hand, implies a set of values that many couples find appealing.

said, it would come across as strange, even rude, to use the terms "boyfriend" or "girlfriend" in lieu of the more inclusive, gender-neutral "partner."

"At Harvard, everyone is very polite and liberal," Bronski said.

The clearest explanation for the word's spike in popularity is the lack of any other good options. Unmarried people in serious relationships, in particular, face a gaping linguistic hole. "Boyfriend" and "girlfriend" are too high school. "Significant other" sounds like it belongs on a legal document.

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"Partner," on the other hand, implies a set of values that many couples find appealing. "It's a word that says, 'We are equal components of this relationship,'" said Katie Takakjian, a 25-year-old lawyer based in Los Angeles, who started using the term "partner" while interviewing at law firms.

One of the youngest students in her law school's graduating class, Takakjian told me she worried the word "boyfriend" could make her seem even younger.

For a long time, a wedding was the only way to signal the depth and seriousness of a romantic relationship, said Amy Shackelford, founder and CEO of the feminist

ber, has a visceral negative reaction to the words "husband" and "wife." "Those words carry a lot of baggage," she said, conjuring 1950s images of the man who comes home expecting dinner on the table; the woman who bears sole responsibility for raising the children.

Fighting sexism

If Takakjian gets married, she also plans to continue using the word "partner," especially at work. "There is still so much societal pressure for a woman to step back at work once she gets married," she said.

Takakjian worries about the stereotypes that partners at her firm — many of whom are white men over 50 — associate with the word "wife." "They might think, 'Now she's probably thinking about babies, she's probably going to quit. We don't need to put her on the important cases, we don't need to give her as many opportunities.'" The word "partner," Takakjian said, could be one way to challenge those assumptions.

The growing preference for "partner" over "husband" and "wife" could suggest a shift that goes beyond labels and language. When Time magazine asked readers in 2010 whether marriage was becoming

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Don't advertise e-cigarettes

As a registered nurse whose parents were killed by the effects of smoking, I'm puzzled and appalled that TV and print media are accepting ads for Juul. Vaping is not safe, and although there are large disclaimers probably required by law that state the product contains nicotine, we all know that teenagers feel invulnerable.

Studies have shown that nicotine is at least as addictive as heroin and as hard to kick. The Marlboro Man disappeared from ads years ago due to public health concerns. I cannot understand why the media are supporting the development of this next health crisis, except, of course, for financial gain. Shouldn't the good health of our youths be priceless?

— Amy Frazier, Lombard

Let's get rid of tax deductions

There is a lot of energy and consternation being expressed lately about the theoretical increase in the top tax bracket to 70 percent. There might be a simpler way to achieve the same end without increasing

any of the current tax brackets. Eliminate all deductions. What you earn is what you pay on, for every individual and company. We could probably reduce the existing tax brackets if all deductions were eliminated.

— Bill Kalnes, Burr Ridge

Pension recipients who leave the state

The pensions of retired public employees with cost-of-living clauses who have moved to lower cost-of-living states should be adjusted accordingly. That newfound money would help to fund future pensions. After all, it's only fair.

— Maurice Wilson, Antioch

Opulent home for priest?

Embedded in the Tribune story about the closing of Holy Family Church ("Historic Near West Side parish to close, move into nearby church," Jan. 27) was a link to another article, "Chicago Archdiocese pays \$1.65 million for Lincoln Park home to be used as parish priest residence." In these days of dwindling Catholic membership, it is ridiculous that the priests need to live in

an opulent residence. Since the invention of cars, it is not necessary to live adjacent to your workplace. Because of the dwindling number of priests, there are many rectories housing only one priest, so these retirees could easily be accommodated in places already owned by the archdiocese. This would free these purchase funds to help support schools and churches in struggling neighborhoods.

The priest (in Lincoln Park) will now live in a place which 95 percent of his church members could never afford, in direct contradiction to the church's message regarding the poor.

— Mary Ann Kehl, Wilmette

Infrastructure is vulnerable

The "Worldwide Threat Assessment" was recently released, and it concluded that there were a number of threats that we should be worried about, including potential cyberattacks by our adversaries against our natural gas pipelines and electricity grid, which would be catastrophic.

There has been far too little discussion in the nation at large about this possibility. An attack by other nations or lone wolves during a devastating period of bad weather, or anytime for that matter, lasting days, weeks or even months, would send us back to the Stone Age.

— Larry Vigon, Chicago

Bring Cubs back to network TV

It is hard enough to find the broadcasts of a Cubs game on WGN. Now they are going to cable, like so many other teams in other cities.

Has it occurred to the Ricketts family that not everybody has cable and cannot afford it and may be disabled and unable to get to Wrigley Field anymore? (I qualify under all the categories.)

I missed any number of games last year on television because they were on cable or else not broadcast. The latter I can't help, but I can register a protest on the former.

I will continue to love my Cubs. But, please, not on cable so much anymore.

— Martha Grieashamer, Chicago

Runaway costs of medication

It seems that many of us are concerned with the runaway pricing pharmacies are charging. A new twist: I have had three notices in the past two years to stop taking medicines in my possession because of various problems (with the pharmaceuticals). I paid for these medicines and can't use them. I ended up paying for a useless product and will receive no rebate. The rich get rich, and the poor get poorer.

— Fred Rybicki, Lansing

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Your Monday guide to managing money, work and the business of life



STEVE ROSEN
Kids & Money

Find out if you're financially compatible

Your daughter and her boyfriend are officially a couple and their relationship seems to be heading in the right direction.

But there's one growing concern. They have completely different styles for handling money.

His idea of a date night revolves around spending money on expensive dinners, concert tickets and sporting events, which all seem to balloon his credit card balance. Meanwhile, your daughter is a penny-pincher who lives a more frugal lifestyle geared more toward walks in the park, free outdoor concerts and eating leftovers.

Opposites attract, right? But could these warning signals of financial incompatibility?

It may be time for the couple to have a heart-to-heart about money, and the sooner the better.

Talking about money on a date is hardly romantic. And while you don't want to ask hardball questions on your first date, there are some ways to break the ice as you move into a relationship.

Susan Beacham and Michael Beacham, the authors of the "Official Money Guide for Couples," recommend having money talks as soon as it's clear that a couple is serious about a life together.

According to a TD Ameritrade survey, 90 percent of couples who say they're in a happy relationship discuss money at least once a month.

Here are some ways for couples to get the ball rolling:

Start slowly and with easy topics: For example, if you're planning dinner out or a movie, ask your date if there are any coupons or special two-for-one deals to take advantage of. The response could be telling.

Personal finance guru Dave Ramsey said the level of the relationship should equal the level of the money talk.

If you've only been on a few dates, this isn't necessarily the time to compare how much each of you have in your savings or investment accounts, how much salary you're pulling down, and who has the best credit score. Save the serious stuff for later.

Talk values, not just numbers: Ask about each other's biggest financial dream, said Sonya Britt-Lutter, an associate professor of personal financial planning at Kansas State University. It could be a short-term or long-term goal, she added, such as paying off student loans in 10 years or traveling to a different country every year.

It's might even get the ball rolling for how to possibly do things differently.

Another approach: is to ask about each other's earliest memory about money, or what each person learned from their parents about spending and saving.

"The biggest problem I see is couples who don't really understand what each partner values and why," said Britt-Lutter, who has researched couples' money issues extensively. "Having a conversation about family upbringing and one's earliest money memories is imperative in really understanding what is valued."

Talk about earning money, not just spending it: Here's where you can delve into the importance of the company 401(k) match at work or taking advantage of employee stock purchase plans. If your date has a blank look when you mention your IRA, this is an opportunity to get on the same page.

Don't sweat the small stuff: Don't make it a big deal if your new boyfriend spends a little more than you think he should on new running shoes, for instance, or a night out with his friends. Worry about bigger issues.

Remember, arguments over money are one of the leading causes of breakups and divorce, according to a 2013 Kansas State University study of 4,500 couples, which was directed by Britt-Lutter.

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6 ways to be a better leader

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Get your hands dirty

Don't pass off every task to employees. Although it's your job to delegate as a leader, doing work with them will afford you a new perspective.

You might discover ways of doing things are too time-consuming. You might realize you need more hands on deck for certain tasks. Whatever the circumstance may be, it allows you to lead by example and show others that no task is too insignificant for you to participate in. Your team also will appreciate the help.

Stay calm under pressure

A true measure of leadership is exemplified by how you react when faced with problems. No matter the circumstance, you need to respond to issues that arise with a calm demeanor and emphasize that it will be handled and similar mistakes will not happen again.

You may be screaming on the inside when something horrible happens, but don't let it show. Retaining your confidence will ensure the entire team doesn't become disheartened and go into panic mode when things get tough and stressful.

Hold yourself accountable

It's easy to shift blame when things go wrong and it's very difficult to admit when it's your fault, especially when you're the boss. However, you're only human and we all make mistakes.

Shortcomings are an opportunity to receive feedback from your team about where things went wrong and how it can be avoided in the future.

If you have created an environment within your company where employees feel they are able to voice their opinions freely and without repercussions, you will be able to channel unfortunate circumstances into something positive.

Be passionate

Positive, passionate people attract the like. When you are excited about upcoming projects and hitting goals, the response you will receive from your team likely will be the same.

Celebrating achievements and recognizing accomplishments is one way to instill passion in employees to succeed, increase productivity and maintain high morale.

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Helping hand

SSI program can aid low-income disabled and older people



BY ELLIOT RAPHAELSON
The Savings Game

Longtime readers of this column will be aware of the Social Security Disability Insurance program, which provides benefits to workers who become disabled. Qualification depends on being deemed disabled, but also on an applicant's work record.

There is another program, Supplemental Security Income, which shares certain attributes with the disability program but for which eligibility is means tested rather than based on work credits earned.

SSI was designed to help disabled adults and children with limited income and resources. Some people who have reached retirement age but who are not disabled may qualify if they have inadequate income to support themselves.

The objective of SSI is to provide a subsistence level of income to those who qualify, with incentives to develop other sources of income. SSI develops a floor level of income below which disabled or older individuals will not drop. Everyone receiving SSI assistance is also eligible for Medicaid benefits.

Funding for SSI is independent of Social Security funding, coming from federal general revenues such as federal income taxes and other taxes. Some states also contribute funds to assist SSI recipients.

To qualify for SSI, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident, be aged, blind or disabled, and have low income and low resources.

Aged means you have reached age 65. Blind is defined by the same criteria for Social Security Disability Insurance, either vision no better than 20/200 (with corrected vision) or a visual field no wider than 20 degrees in your better eye. Being disabled is defined the same



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as for Social Security Disability.

Disabled children, even newborns, are eligible for SSI benefits. If the child lives with parents, the parents' income and resources are used to determine eligibility. Once the child reaches 18, the income and resources of the parent are no longer counted. Only the assets in the child's name are relevant in determining eligibility.

Income includes cash gifts, veteran's payments, wages and Social Security payments, as well as non-cash items such as free or reduced rent, free food and free clothing you receive during a month.

You are considered low income if your total income (2019 standard) for a single individual is less than \$771 per month or, for a couple, \$1,157 per month. The standard can be higher in states where the state subsidizes the SSI program.

Your SSI payment is determined by subtracting your countable income from these standards. In effect, SSI supplements you up to the income standard. Plus, there is a work incentive with higher income total income as the reward for working.

Earned income from work is partially exempted, allowing higher income for workers. The first \$20 of most kinds of income is exempted, as is the first \$65 of earned income. Above \$65, half of earned income is exempted. The income that is not exempted is de-

ducted from the recipient's benefit. So an individual can earn up to about \$1,626 a month before his benefit disappears.

An applicant's resources consist of all items of value owned on the first of the month. That includes anything that can be converted to cash, such as cash on hand, bank accounts, and non-cash items such as cars or homes.

To be eligible for SSI, countable resources cannot exceed \$2,000 for an individual or \$3,000 for a couple.

Countable assets do not include your residence and one vehicle of reasonable value. If your resources exceed these standards on the first of the month, you are ineligible for SSI throughout the month.

The Social Security Administration has several publications posted online (search for the term "Supplemental Security Income" to find them).

CLARIFICATION: In a recent column on tax law changes, I wrote that interest on home equity loans are no longer deductible. In fact, if a HELOC loan is used to buy, build or substantially improve the residence that secures the underlying loan, some or all of the interest is still deductible. Review with your tax adviser.

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The Savage Truth

Companies offer student loan repayment help

The best new benefit that companies are offering employees is help in paying down their student loans. It's a growing trend among employers seeking to attract and keep talented young workers.

Some places pay \$100 a month, or more, directly to the student loan servicing company if the employee is also making regular payments. That's quite an incentive for employees.

With students graduating with an average of \$37,000 in educational debt — adding up to a \$1.5 trillion student loan debt burden — a growing number of companies are using their employee-benefit plans to help workers attack that problem. These companies range from large financial services firms like Fidelity, Unum, Freddie Mac and Aetna to tech companies like Carvana and Hulu.

It's a growing trend — and Fidelity is not only offering the benefit to its own employees but is also advising companies for which it manages benefits plans. More than 55 companies have signed up. Fidelity set up its own employee student loan repayment plan in 2016, allowing employees to join after six months on the job.

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The Fidelity plan pays \$167 per month toward an employee's loans (\$2,000 per year) up to a maximum of \$10,000 in debt over five years. Fidelity says half of its new hires cited the student loan repayment program as a significant reason for joining the firm, and it has reduced first-year employee turnover by 75 percent.

A tech company called Tuition.io was one of the leaders in this space. CEO Scott Thompson says the company has saved employees of client companies more than 30,000 years of debt payments. That's over \$42 million. Tuition.io sets up plans for employers, taking care of the details of structuring the plan and the transfer of money to pay down the student loans.

Best of all, the Tuition.io website allows employees to anonymously request that information on their plan be sent to their employer to get such a program started.

Each company can set its own conditions around the dollar amount, the maximum payout, the employee tenure required, and whether the money is distributed directly to employee or to the loan servicing company. Many companies extend the matching program to parents paying off PLUS loans for their children.

The latest creative plan comes from Unum, which worked through Fidelity to craft a unique program that allows employees to contribute paid time off toward student loans. For employees who don't use all their time off or who can't afford to go anywhere, using the money to pay down debt is an attractive alternative.

In another version, Abbott Laboratories got a private letter ruling from the IRS allowing it to make matching contributions to its 401(k) plan for employees who didn't have their own money to contribute because they were paying student loans.

If you and your fellow employees are struggling with student debt repayment, don't just hope your company will set up a plan. Ask them to get going.

You'll save a lot of money. And that's The Savage Truth.

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Opt out of credit card offers

And when to contribute to Roth 401(k)

BY KIMBERLY LANKFORD
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Q: I recently received a credit card offer in the mail that listed a web address where I can request to opt out of all prescreened credit card solicitations. Is this legitimate?

A: Yes. The site, www.optoutprescreen.com, is run by the major credit bureaus. Opting out of prescreened card offers makes it less likely that an ID thief will intercept them and take out credit in your name.

You can opt out for five years electronically or by phone (888-567-8688), or you can mail in a form to block prescreened offers permanently. (You may still receive offers from companies you currently do business with.)

Paul Stephens, director of policy and advocacy for the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse, suggests signing up for the service and shredding unused offers. If you have elderly parents, help them opt out, too. And if you miss hearing about card deals, you can opt back in again.

Q: My Medicare Part D plan is not covering a drug that my doctor prescribed. What can I do?

A: Find out why the drug wasn't covered. Your doctor may just need to fill out a prior authorization form each year explaining why you need the drug. If insurance still doesn't cover it, ask your pharmacist for the cash price,

which may be less with coupons or discount programs found through GoodRx.

Alternatively, ask your doctor if you can switch to another drug that is covered by your insurance. Many plans have online tools listing these "therapeutic alternatives" and showing how much you'd pay.

If that doesn't work, your doctor can request an exception or file an appeal (www.medicare.gov/appeals). Your pharmacist and State Health Insurance Assistance Program can help (www.shiptacenter.org).

Q: My company is starting to offer a Roth 401(k). I'm 56 years old, and most of my savings is in a traditional 401(k). Does it make sense to contribute to the Roth?

A: The key question is whether you think your income tax rate is lower now than it will be in retirement. That's because with a Roth 401(k), you don't get a tax deduction for your contribution up front, but you can withdraw the money tax-free in retirement.

"For a younger person who expects their earnings to go up later, that's a clearer case for the Roth 401(k)," says Roger Young, a senior financial planner with T. Rowe Price.

It's a tougher decision if you're currently in a high tax bracket. Your tax rates could still be high in retirement if you have a lot of savings in tax-deferred accounts. (Tax rates are set to rise at the end of 2025.)

Consider contributing at least some money to the Roth to provide tax diver-

sification, allowing you to manage withdrawals from tax-free and tax-deferred accounts so you can limit the tax bite and avoid other levies on high-income retirees, such as the Medicare surcharge.

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Your project checklist

Ready to tackle a new project at work? Here are a few techniques to make it shine and to learn something for the next project.



1. Pause

Before starting a new project, take a moment to think about the bigger picture. What is the end goal of the experiment or task? What could you learn from the project, even if it doesn't succeed in the way that you had hoped?



2. Plan

Once you have a clear vision of what you want, it becomes much easier to create a plan of attack. Write out the steps needed to achieve the desired result and create criteria for success.



3. Debrief

Once a project is completed, you want to take time to debrief. This will not only give you a chance to process and learn from the experience, it will also allow you to look for things that you could have done differently.

Draw a line down the middle of a page and write: "Liked Best and "Next Time" at the top. On the left, write down the things that went really well, and on the right, note what you want to do differently next time. Refer back to this piece of paper for your next project.

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Meetings are terrible, so fix them

Ineffective habits that need to be tossed

BY WANDA THIBODEAUX
Inc.

The common reaction to the modern business meeting is eyes glazing over and frustration at productivity being lost.

In fact, research from MIT Sloan Management found the average employee spends about six hours weekly in scheduled meetings, while senior managers spend as much as 23 hours of their week this way. Between 25 percent and 50 percent of all these meetings are considered ineffective, according to a study from the University of Nebraska.

But it doesn't have to be this way if you can spot why so many meetings miss the mark. Here are some common culprits.

1. You think more is better

Poor leaders often put many items on a meeting agenda. They rationalize that having a lot to discuss makes the meeting more important, or that it's less disruptive to call lots of people together for just one talk fest.

We've been conditioned to think that success comes from doing more than the other guy, that we have to pack in more and more responsibility or tasks.

But what really happens is that no one issue really gets the time it deserves. Everything becomes rushed and you only skim the surface.

Subsequently, deep, truly innovative ideas, solutions and decisions never get unpacked and you're lucky if anything gets past simple



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discussion. Even if the items on the agenda are related, people usually have to sit through a host of information they doesn't concern them.

Instead, keep your agenda to a single item and stick to it. That agenda item should start with an action verb (that isn't just "discuss"), so at the end of the meeting, you can ask yourself, "Did we or didn't we?" Dig deep into that one point until you have a next step to move forward with.

2. You go with the whole group

If you have a dozen people on a team or committee, your brain naturally will come to associate them together. Later, it can be

hard to see those individuals as not connected, so you take a "just in case we need you" attitude to invitations.

And because groups come with certain social expectations, you might be afraid that certain people will be offended by a lack of invitation, too. You call everyone in the group to the meeting even if only two or three of them really need to be present.

Always ask yourself who actually can contribute something to the meeting, rather than if they are merely associated. It's often the case that the team members who genuinely need to attend quickly can catch the others up to speed through

other means, such as a quick group email.

3. You're stuck in big data mode

Related to the first problem above, people tend to use meetings to share mountains of information. The underlying belief is that, if you're sharing data, it shows you've prepared, or that you are intelligent and needed for your skills and expertise.

Technology makes it all the easier to keep up these appearances. But overwhelming participants with data means they're spending the meeting just trying to grasp your facts and figures and sort out what's most relevant.

The solution is to dis-

tribute a limited number of truly relevant, critical documents and other materials to meeting attendees well in advance to give people time to digest everything.

This way, you start the meeting with the ability to use the most valuable information, rather than just share it.

4. You adhere rigidly to standards

Most people schedule meetings based on convenience in 30-to-60 minute slots. These chunks feel manageable in terms of how they fit into everyone's daily schedule, and it's comfortingly familiar. But many agenda points don't need this standard.

Instead of scheduling

unnecessary time that you'll inevitably fill with inconsequential chatter or unrelated items, skip the status quo and put only the time you'll need to accomplish your goal on the calendar. Think realistically about how people required for the meeting tend to behave and interact when determining how much time to set aside.

Be clear that you're not going to tolerate participants being late, and if the agenda requires 10 minutes or less, reconsider whether the meeting is necessary at all.

5. You think proximity leads to better connection

Now, admittedly, the proximity principle of psychology says that people are more likely to develop a relationship with each other if they're close, mainly because proximity encourages more interaction, and because people eventually start to see how those close to them are like them.

This leads some people to call meetings with the underlying objective of making their teams more cohesive. But meetings don't really give great opportunities to establish trust. Instead, they're scripted toward deciding what to do (and who should do it).

The better approach? Carve out other events and activities where people can engage and have fun with each other on a more personal level. Assume that connection will improve through the collaborative work that subsequently happens together based on the meeting.

Wanda Thibodeaux is the proprietor of [Takingdictation.com](#).

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OBITUARIES

WILLIAM QUIGLEY 1961-2019

Engineer with AT&T, father of congressman

BY RICK PEARSON

Chicago Tribune

Difficult times in Bill Quigley's life instilled in him an ethic to be productive, to work hard, to seek to do the right thing and believe in the potential of success — all things he passed along to his children.

William "Bill" Earl Quigley, an orphan adopted during the Great Depression and a military veteran who went on to become a supervising engineer with AT&T, died Saturday from Parkinson's disease. He was 92.

"The most important thing about my dad was, how the Founding Fathers wrote of the pursuit of happiness. His version of the American Dream played off that," said Quigley's son, U.S. Rep. Mike Quigley of Chicago.

"Abandoned as a baby, in an orphanage, adopted by a poor family in the middle of the Depression. He believed that through hard work you give kids the opportunity that you didn't have," the congressman said. "Give your kids a chance to have a better shot at it."

Born in Indianapolis, William Quigley was starting his sophomore year at Purdue University when he was drafted into the Army during the Korean War, where he served on the Signal Corps. There he learned technology that was then in its infancy, including satellite and microwave communications.

After his military service,



QUIGLEY FAMILY PHOTO

William "Bill" Earl Quigley was a military veteran who went on to become an engineer with AT&T.

He spent his career working for AT&T as a supervising engineer and was a member of the Communications Workers of America. He was transferred and promoted to the Chicago area and moved to Ottawa, Ill., upon his retirement.

Rep. Quigley said many people in today's era of people moving from job to job don't remember employment lasting decades.

"You had a lifetime commitment to a company, worked there 35 years, burned your mortgage and, if you were raised in the Depression, that was a godsend," Mike Quigley said. "A regular job with regular pay. You weren't going to get rich but you could pay the bills. I don't think he appreciated the uncertainty of my profession."

William Quigley did volunteer work at a homeless

shelter and served on the Ottawa Planning Commission. But he also was a longtime tinkerer with an interest in electronics that included building the family's first color TV.

True to his Indiana roots, he was what his family described as a "fanatical" fan of the Indianapolis 500 and attended races at the Brickyard for more than 60 years, wearing victory-flag checkered socks while running stopwatches on the lead cars.

He also was an avid chess player — his son said he learned the game before he learned to read and made his father proud when he first defeated him.

William Quigley married Joan Louise Deputy in 1951 in Augusta, Ga., and the couple celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary last June.

In addition to his son and wife, he is survived by his daughters Chris Benson and Linda Quigley; daughter-in-law Betty Quigley; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Gladfelter-Roetker Funeral Home in Ottawa. A visitation will be held before services.

Burial will be a private ceremony at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to PAWS in honor of his love for four-legged orphans, including Missy I, Missy II and Missy III.

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ON FEBRUARY 11 ...

In 1531 the Church of England grudgingly accepted King Henry VIII as its supreme head.

In 1752 the first hospital in America opened in Philadelphia.

In 1812 Massachusetts Gov. Elbridge Gerry signed a redistricting law favoring his party — giving rise to the term "gerrymandering."

In 1847 American inventor Thomas Edison was born in Milan, Ohio.

In 1858 a French girl, Bernadette Soubirous, claimed for the first time to have seen a vision of the Virgin Mary near Lourdes.

In 1861 President-elect Abraham Lincoln departed Springfield, Ill., for Washington.

In 1862 the Civil War Battle of Fort Donelson began in Tennessee. (Union forces led by Brig. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant captured the fort five days later.)

In 1929 the Lateran Treaty was signed, with Italy recognizing the independence and sovereignty of Vatican City.

In 1937 a sit-down strike against General Motors ended, with the company agreeing to recognize the United Automobile Workers Union.

In 1945 President Franklin Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin signed the Yalta Agreement during World

War II.

In 1963 American author and poet Sylvia Plath was found dead in her London flat, a suicide; she was 30.

In 1968 New York City's fourth and current Madison Square Garden, located on Manhattan's West Side at the site of what used to be the Pennsylvania Station building, opened with a "Salute to the USO" hosted by Bob Hope and Bing Crosby. (The same evening, the New York Rangers played their final game at the third Garden, tying the Detroit Red Wings 3-3.)

In 1970 a Los Angeles superior court, in a landmark ruling, ordered the city to integrate its 555 schools within 18 months.

In 1971 a treaty banning nuclear weapons from the ocean floor was signed by 63 nations in ceremonies at Washington, London and Moscow.

In 1972 McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. and Life magazine canceled plans to publish what had turned out to be a fake autobiography of reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes.

In 1974 Libya announced it was nationalizing three U.S. oil companies in what Tripoli radio called a "severe blow to American interests in the Arab world."

In 1975 Margaret Thatcher was elected leader of the British Conservative Party, becoming the first woman to head a major political party in Britain.

In 1979 followers of Ayatollah

Ruhollah Khomeini seized power in Iran.

In 1983 Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon resigned after the Cabinet accepted a state commission's recommendation that he leave his post in the wake of the Beirut massacre.

In 1988 President Ronald Reagan's one-time political director, Lyn Nofziger, was convicted of illegally lobbying top White House aides. (However, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals later overturned Nofziger's conviction, and the Supreme Court refused to reinstate it.)

In 1989 the Rev. Barbara Harris became the first woman consecrated as a bishop in the Episcopal Church, in a ceremony held in Boston.

In 1990 South African black activist Nelson Mandela was freed after 27 years in prison.

In 1993 President Bill Clinton announced his choice of Miami prosecutor Janet Reno to be the nation's first female attorney general.

In 1994 actor William Conrad died in Los Angeles; he was 73.

In 1995 the space shuttle Discovery landed at Cape Canaveral, Fla., ending a historic rendezvous mission with Russia's Mir space station.

In 1996, a day after losing to an IBM computer dubbed "Deep Blue," world chess champion Garry Kasparov rebounded to defeat the machine and even their six-game series in Philadelphia at one victory apiece.

In 1999 a federal jury in New York found several gun-makers responsible in three area shootings for letting guns fall into the hands of criminals; other manufacturers were cleared.

In 2000 Britain stripped Northern Ireland's Protestant-Catholic government of power in a bid to prevent its collapse over the IRA's refusal to disarm. **Also in 2000** French movie director Roger Vadim died in Paris; he was 72.

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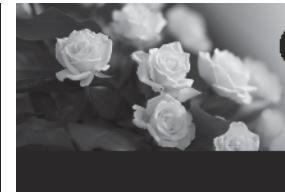
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Farber, Carol

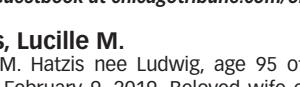
Carolyn R. "Carol" Farber, nee Rice, age 82, of Highland Park. Beloved wife for 59+ years of Arthur, devoted and adored mother of Jill (Richard) Fitzburgh, Caryn (Harlan) Kahn and Steven (Paige) Farber. Incredibly grandmother of Matthew, Amanda, Reid, Jocelyn, Laine, Spencer and Sloane. Loving daughter of the late Mary and Bernard Rice. Dear sister of the late Donna (the late Donald) Levin. Fond sister-in-law to Carol (Uriel) Oko. Cherished aunt to Allison Brightman, Philip Levin and Leah Oko. Wonderful friend to many. Services Tuesday 10 AM at North Shore Congregation Israel, 1185 Sheridan Road, Glencoe. Interment private. Memorial contributions to American Friends of Magen David Adom, 3175 Commercial Av. #101, Northbrook, IL 60062 (www.afmda.org). Information **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home** 847-255-3520.

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Harsa, Sr., Joseph A. 'Joe'

Joseph A. "Joe" Harsa, Sr., age 81, U.S. Army veteran, of Plainfield, IL since 2000, a resident of Naperville, IL 1970-2000, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, February 8, 2019 at Edward Hospital in Naperville. He was born on June 13, 1937 in Cleveland, OH. Joe retired as a Senior Buyer in 1993 after 30 years with Sears, Roebuck and Company. Visitation Thursday, February 14, 2019, 4:00-8:00 PM at **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville, IL. Services will begin Friday, February 15, 9:15 AM from the funeral home and will proceed to a 10:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 1450 Green Trails Dr., Naperville, IL. Future inurnment: SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Naperville, IL. For more information, please call (630) 355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com

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Corbett, Margaret A.

nee Frain; Devoted wife of the late John; Loving mother of Dan (Sharon), Mary Kay, Joann (Mike) Mizanskey, and John (Beth); Proud grandma of Brian (Mandy), Sean, Kevin (Allie), Danny (Gianna), and Patrick Corbett; Michael (Sarah Evans) Mizanskey; Cara Glock, Andrea (Bill) Sias; Granny of Haley, Shelby, Machayla, Lucy, Avery, Jude, Jack, Layla, Ruby, Nicholas, and Baby Boy Mizanskey; Dear sister of the late Jackie, late Mary Milton, late Thomas and Henry Frain, late Catherine Carr, late Rose Taylor, late Agnes Butterfield, and the late William (Jean) Frain; Beloved aunt of many wonderful nieces and nephews, and their families; Caring cousin of the Ladies from Philly; Visitation Tuesday 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Wednesday 10:30 a.m. from Curley Funeral Home, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge to Our Lady of the Ridge Church, 108th & Oxford Ave, Chicago Ridge. Mass 11:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. For Funeral info (708) 422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Dollahan, Michael C.

82, of Crystal Lake, passed away February 7, 2019. Michael was the dear son of the late L. Claude and Rosemary Dollahan; beloved husband of the late Susan Dollahan; loving father of Coleen Dollahan, Bob (Mary) Dollahan, and Marie (Ken) Brandell; fond grandfather of Matthew, Maggie, Madeline, Cal, and Finn; dear brother of Mary (Hank) Close; fond brother-in-law of Kathy (Paul) Blanchard, Sister Carol Fox of the Sinsinawa Dominican Order and William (the late Joan) Fox; and uncle to many. Mike grew up in the Chicago neighborhood of Rogers Park. He attended Loyola Academy in Wilmette, Regis College in Denver, and served in the United States Navy. A memorial visitation will be Friday, February 15, from 4 pm - 8 pm at Davenport Family Funeral Home, 419 E. Terra Cotta Ave. (Rte. 176), Crystal Lake. Mass will be Saturday, February 16, at 1:00 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 1023 McHenry Ave, Crystal Lake. Burial will follow at Crystal Lake Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes donations to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (jdrf.org). To leave online condolences for the family visit www.davenportfamily.com or call 815-459-3411 for more information.

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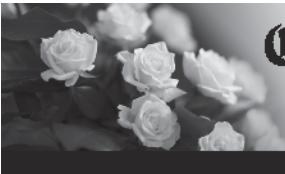
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Hatzis, Lucile M.

Lucille M. Hatzis nee Ludwig, age 95 of Chicago. At rest February 9, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Anthony. Loving mother of Thomas (Karleen) and Linda (Stephen) Chillman. Proud Grandma of Jason and Matthew Hatzis. Fond cousin and aunt of many. Funeral Wednesday 9:1



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McCorkle, Hugh M.

Hugh Maurice McCorkle passed away in his home in the early morning hours of Saturday, February 9th, 2019. Son of James Andrew McCorkle and Ethel Elizabeth Hearon of Vaiden, Mississippi, Hugh was one of five siblings. He was lovingly attended to in his passing by his three children - Pamela Ramirez, Donna Munin and Hugh McCorkle, Jr. - as well as his two granddaughters, Donna Gallagher and JoAnn Killackey. Born on April 15, 1931 in Vaiden, he left to pursue life and work in Chicago, Illinois at the age of eighteen. Over the course of his life, Hugh was a homebuilder, commercial contractor and train conductor, routinely working multiple career paths simultaneously in support of the education and advancement of his family. While accomplished in career, Hugh was most proud of the daily presence he played in the lives of each of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Hugh was a man of deep intelligence, dignity and character who will be forever missed by his devoted and loving family. Visitation will be held for Hugh Tuesday, February 12, 2019 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral services Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. until the time of Prayer Service, 11:00 a.m. at Curley Funeral Home, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery; For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Pines, Burton Yale

Burton Yale Pines, age 78, forever loving husband of Helene Brenner, died after a short illness. Chicago born and graduate of Nicolas Senn High School, graduate of The University of Wisconsin, Madison, (PhD in European History), University of Wisconsin History instructor, TIME magazine correspondent in Hamburg, Bonn, Viet Nam and Chicago, editor in World and Nation section, TIME magazine, senior executive at The Heritage Foundation, president of BookNet cable tv channel, author of "Back to Basics," "Out of Focus" and "America's Greatest Blunder", Freedom's Foundation Award recipient, three-time recipient of the New York Newspaper Guild's "Page One Award. Son of Hyman and Mary Pines, brother to Gary(Vicki) Pines, grandson of Samuel and Lena Kaplan and David and Ester Pines, uncle to Jamie and Sam Pines and their children, Allie, DJ, Ellie and Zoey, cousin and friend of many. When asked what made him most proud, Pines always answered: "Being a foot-soldier in the Reagan revolution."

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Ranallo, Jerry

Visitation Monday, Feb. 11, 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Funeral service Tuesday, Feb 12, 2019, 11:00 am at Cumberland Funeral Chapel, 8300 W Lawrence Ave, Norridge. Interment private. For info please call (708) 456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapel.com.

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Robbins, Ronnie I.

Ronnie I. Robbins (nee Orzoff), age 85, attorney and beloved wife of Laurence (1930-2004); loving mother of Elliott (Julie) and Racquel (Thomas) Dolson; proud grandmother of Olivia and Isabelle Robbins and Eli, Avi and Lauren Dolson; fond sister of Stewart (Bonnie) Orzoff; dear aunt of many, passed peacefully on February 9, 2019. Ronnie was a trailblazer and inspiration to many. She graduated Marshall High School at age 16, attended college at Roosevelt University, and obtained her law degree from De Paul, one of only three women in her law school class. While in college and law school, Ronnie wrote for Chicago's Back of the Yards Journal, a community newspaper. Upon graduating law school, Ronnie worked initially as a civil litigator for an insurance defense firm defending trucking companies, and she was one of only a handful of female attorneys appearing in such courtrooms. After a few years of defense work she joined her husband in civil general practice, forming Robbins & Robbins, Ltd., where she specialized in workers' compensation and injury litigation on the plaintiff's side. She was again one of only a small group of women advocating in these specialties in the 1960's and 1970's. She retired at age 55, two years after her son joined the firm, although she remained of counsel for many years. Upon retiring, Ronnie immediately enrolled in the Four Year Basic Program at The University of Chicago, reading, analyzing and discussing the Great Books. She continued to actively participate in adult education for the remainder of her life, regularly designing, teaching and attending classes at Northwestern and NLU, and contributing numerous short stories, published in the annual journals for both programs. Her love of Chicago's history prompted her to train as a docent for the Chicago Architecture Foundation, where she qualified to give several of the walking tours, and designed new tours for historic Highland Park and Lake Forest Cemetery. She would enjoy seeing old adversaries hustling off to court while escorting tour groups through the Loop on either her modern or historic architecture tours. Ronnie enjoyed travel, and managed to visit 48 States and over 75 countries on six of the continents over the course of her lifetime. She wrote prolifically for her children and future generations about her adventures and experiences in life, and about the genealogy of both her and her husband's family in a multi-volume work. She understood the need to capture and memorialize this fleeting information existing before the electronic age of communication, and her extended family will forever be grateful for this labor of love. Ronnie mentored and inspired many women, in particular, regarding attaining a balance between one's professional career and motherhood, and the possibility that both callings could be pursued simultaneously and successfully. She also believed that a career, in her case the practice of law, should not be indefinite in duration, and if one had other passions, they should also be vigorously pursued at a young enough age where they could be enjoyed to their fullest extent. Ronnie accomplished that dream and was remarkably productive in all phases of her life. Funeral services 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home, 111 Skokie Blvd., Wilmette, IL 60091. Interment Westlawn Cemetery. Memorial contributions to charity of your choice appreciated. Funeral information 847-256-5700.

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Sode, Laurence Allen

Born 3-7-45
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Larry called himself a projectionist but he was so much more. A member of IATSE local 110 and local 1 in New York, he served as road manager for the Buckinghams, the Rolling Stones, Billy Joel and more; also as manager of the Chicago Theatre and Vice President of Technical Operations for the Chicago Symphony and the Ravinia Festival; and projectionist for the Academy Awards. He is survived by his wife, Shelley Korschak Firestone. Memorial Services will be held February 23 & 24; call 312-671-3110 for more information.

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Weck, Mary Elizabeth Dollard

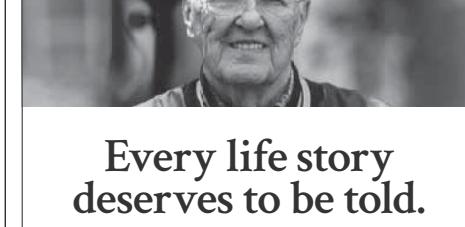
Mary died on February 7th surrounded by family and dear friends. Mary was a pediatric physical therapist for more than 45 years, devoting her career to the patients and staff of Ann & Robert H Lurie Children's Hospital, previously known as Children's Memorial Hospital. Mary obtained a bachelor degree in PT from Marquette University and after a short career in Cleveland, started at Children's Memorial in 1973, where she served as the Clinical Director of the PT Dept. Mary also worked part time as a clinician and program developer at La Rabida Children's Hospital. Mary dedicated her life's work to the treatment of developmental, neuromuscular and orthopedic conditions. A pioneer in her field, she liberally shared her expertise as an instructor at Northwestern University and a lecturer on topics like gait remediation, serial casting, and treatment strategies for interventions for children with cerebral palsy. A true servant leader, Mary's generosity of her time and knowledge had no limits supporting clinicians personally and professionally, ensuring they have the tools necessary so their patients can meet their maximum potential. Her dedication to her patients was rivaled only by her dedication to her family. An exceptionally humble matriarch, Mary cherished her late husband Terrence Weck, her two daughters, Elizabeth Weck (Frankie Reynolds) and Anastasia (Dennis) Sowell, and her three grandchildren Liam, Genevieve, and Amara Sowell. She was never on time but always there when you needed. Visitation Friday 3-8PM, John Maloney Funeral Directors, 1359 W. Devon Ave. Chicago, IL 60660. Funeral Mass, Saturday, 10AM, at St. Gertrude Church, 6214 N. Glenwood Ave. Chicago IL 60660. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Emergency Support for Families Fund at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital.

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Wenzel, Ellen

Ellen Frances Wenzel, beloved Mother of Ethan (Anne-Marie) Giedraitis, Amy Giedraitis, and David (Jeanie) Giedraitis, with Allen & Kathryn Giedraitis. Dear sister of Patricia Lynch-Adduci and Robert (Cheryl) Wenzel. Loving aunt to Megan, Beth, Nora, Ryan, Dan, Steven and their families. Cherished grandmother to Shane, Sheila and their families. Treasured friend of many, and devoted child of God. Visitation Friday, 2/15, from 3:00-8:00 pm at Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Home, 516 S. Washington St, Naperville. Family and friends will meet for Mass of Christian burial to begin Saturday 2/16 at 9:30 AM at SS. Peter & Paul Church, 36 N. Ellsworth St. Naperville. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Catholic Charities of Chicago, or the Greater Chicago Food Depository. For information call 630-355-0264.

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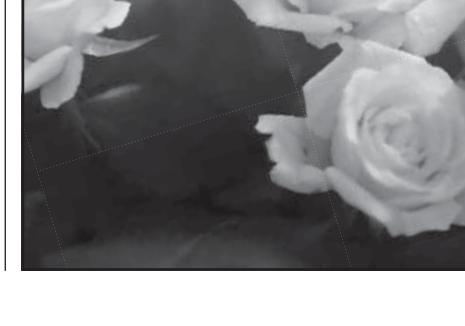
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PROCUREMENT OFFICER
RAFFI SARAFIAN, CHIEF PROCUREMENT
OFFICER

ADVERTISEMENT DATE: February 11, 2019

DESCRIPTION: Invitation for Bids for
Instructional Services

DOCUMENT NO.: 1812-17698R

MBE/WBE GOALS: 0%

BID DOCUMENTS: For solicitation document
available at: <https://legacy.cookcountyl.gov/purchasing/bids/listAllBids.php>

BID DUE DATE: March 15, 2019 at 10:00 AM

CONTACT: Jorge Robles
(312) 603-6998 (office), (312) 603-3179 (fax)
Jorge.Robles@coookcountyl.gov (email)

Local MBE/WBE firms are encouraged to
submit bids. The County has set contract
specific goals based on the requested
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK
COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND
CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD
PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Amiliana Fernandez Isabella Tellez

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Leilani Tellez
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00835 18JA00833

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Andres Fernandez
(Father), Unknown (Father), respondents,
and to All Whom It May Concern, that on
August 28, 2018, a petition was filed under
the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this
court and that in the courtroom of Judge
Nicholas Geanopoulos in the Cook County
Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton
Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/21/2019, at
11:00 AM IN CALENDAR 17 COURTHOUSE K,
or as soon thereafter as this case may be
heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held
upon the petition to have the minor declared
to be a ward of the court and for other relief
under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Andrew M Hoskins

A MINOR
NO. 2018JD01916

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Christopher Brown
(Father), respondents, and to All Whom It
May Concern, that on November 27, 2018,
a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court
Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in
the courtroom of Judge Kristal Royce Rivers
in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building,
at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois,
ON 03/06/2019, at 11:15 AM IN CALENDAR
1 COURTHOUSE A, or as soon thereafter as
this case may be heard, an adjudicatory
hearing will be held upon the petition to
have the minor declared to be a ward of the
court and for other relief under the Act.

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Tanya Jones

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Tennille Jenkins
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00597

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Jerome Jones
(Father), respondents, and to All Whom It
May Concern, that on June 27, 2018, a
petition was filed under the Juvenile Court
Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in
the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in
the Cook County Juvenile Court Building,
1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois,
ON 03/06/2019, at 11:15 AM IN CALENDAR
1 COURTHOUSE A, or as soon thereafter as
this case may be heard, an adjudicatory
hearing will be held upon the petition to
have the minor declared to be a ward of the
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THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS
CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY
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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Timothy Armstrong

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Toshonda Randle
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01128

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Billy Armstrong
(Father) And All Unknown Fathers Any
respondents, and to All Whom It May
Concern, that on December 3, 2018, a
petition was filed under the Juvenile Court
Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in
the courtroom of Judge Peter Vilkelis in
the Cook County Juvenile Court Building,
1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois,
ON 03/06/2019, at 9:30 AM IN CALENDAR
13 COURTHOUSE L, or as soon thereafter as
this case may be heard, an adjudicatory
hearing will be held upon the petition to
have the minor declared to be a ward of the
court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS
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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Mahogany Hicks

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Mahogany
Richardson (Mother) AKA Mahogany
Richardson AKA Mahogany Richardson

JUVENILE NO.: 16JA00529

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Mahogany
Richardson (Mother) AKA Mahogany
Richardson AKA Mahogany Richardson
respondents, and to All Whom It May
Concern, that on November 30, 2018, a
petition was filed under the Juvenile Court
Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in
the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff
in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building,
1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois,
ON 02/28/2019, at 10:00 AM IN CALENDAR
12 COURTHOUSE L, or as soon thereafter as
this case may be heard, an adjudicatory
hearing will be held upon the petition to
have the minor declared to be a ward of the
court and for other relief under the Act.

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CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY
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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
February 11, 2019

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK
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Consolidated Primary Election being
held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019,
will be held at the below locations.

This notice applies only to
SUBURBAN Cook County residents of:

Town of Cicero

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**Vote at any of the locations below.
All dates and hours are the same for each location.**

Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
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9am-5pm	9am-5pm	10am-4pm	

Feb. 18-22	Feb. 23	Feb. 24	Feb. 25
9am-7pm	9am-5pm	10am-4pm	9am-7pm

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MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-3, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff, v. REYNALDO MARTINEZ; MARIA ANTONIA MARTINEZ; WORLD FINANCIAL NETWORK NATIONAL BANK & TRUST FUNDING NCEP, LLC; EQUABLE ASSET FINANCIAL LLC; PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CITIBANK (SOUTH DAKOTA), NA; STATE OF ILLINOIS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; MARIA JUSTINA MARTINEZ, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH15788. The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Reynaldo Martinez, Maria Antonia Martinez, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Maria Justina Martinez, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 1 in Block 1 in Krocinski's Subdivision of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 (Excess the South 44 acres) of Section 26, Township 39 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. Plat Book recorded on April 30, 1887 as Document Number 823055, 2223 South Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, IL 60623 16-26-207-013-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Reynaldo Martinez, Maria Antonia Martinez, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Maria Justina Martinez, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit Court, Illinois, on or before MARCH 13, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court. Shara A. Netterstrom (6294499) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-netterstrom@manleydeas.com FILE NUMBER: 18-022871 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 2/11, 18, 25/2019 6135122

TAKE NOTICES

TO: Olga Carol Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); John F. Goschy, Jr. (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Phillip Null Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Aimee R. Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Aimee R. Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Ann Marie Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Sean Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Tabitha Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Amber Goschy (re: Goschy Family Trust dated 6-29-1994); Judgment Creditors, And Decree Creditors, If Any Of The Above Described As "Unknown Owners"; David D. Orr, Cook County Clerk; Parties In Occupancy Or Actual Possession Of Said Property; Unknown Owners Or Persons Interested In Said Land Or Lot TAX DEED NO. 2018 COTD 003606 FILED: June 5, 2018 AMENDED PETITION FILED: June 10, 2018 NOTICE OF COOK STATE OF ILLINOIS DATE PREMISES SOLD: July 14, 2017 Certificate No. 175-0002406 Sold for General Taxes of: 2017 Scavenger Sale (2008-2015) Sold For Special Assessment Of (Municipality) Not Applicable And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. Warrant No. Not Applicable. Inst. No. Not Applicable. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 201 N. Pulaski Road, in Chicago, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-11-307-003-0000 Vol. 553 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on June 12, 2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before June 12, 2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois on June 20, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before June 12, 2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 Telephone: (312) 603-5645 GALINA PATTERSON, purchaser or assignee Dated: January 31, 2019 Judd M. Harris #55136933 West Van Buren, Suite 304 Chicago, IL 60607 312-795-9600 harrislaw@sbcglobal.net Pub: 2/11, 12, 13/2019 6120661

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TO: Bethel New Life, Inc.; Bethel New Life, Inc., c/o Patricia A. Trauchert; City of Chicago, c/o City Clerk; Judgment Creditors, And Decree Creditors, If Any Of The Above Described As "Unknown Owners"; David D. Orr, Cook County Clerk; Parties In Occupancy Or Actual Possession Of Said Property; Unknown Owners Or Persons Interested In Said Land Or Lot TAX DEED NO. 2018 COTD 000340 FILED: January 23, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Illinois Date Premises Sold: June 7, 2016 Certificate No. 14-0011086 Sold for General Taxes of: 2014 Sold For Special Assessment Of (Municipality) Not Applicable And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. Warrant No. Not Applicable. Inst. No. Not Applicable. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 6759 S. Ashland, Chicago, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-20-300-022-0000 Vol. 430 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on June 12, 2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before June 12, 2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois on June 21, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before June 12, 2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 Telephone: (312) 603-5645 GAN C LLC, LLC, purchaser or assignee Dated: January 31, 2019 Judd M. Harris #55136933 West Van Buren, Suite 304 Chicago, IL 60607 312-795-9600 harrislaw@sbcglobal.net Pub: 2/11, 12, 13/2019 6120705

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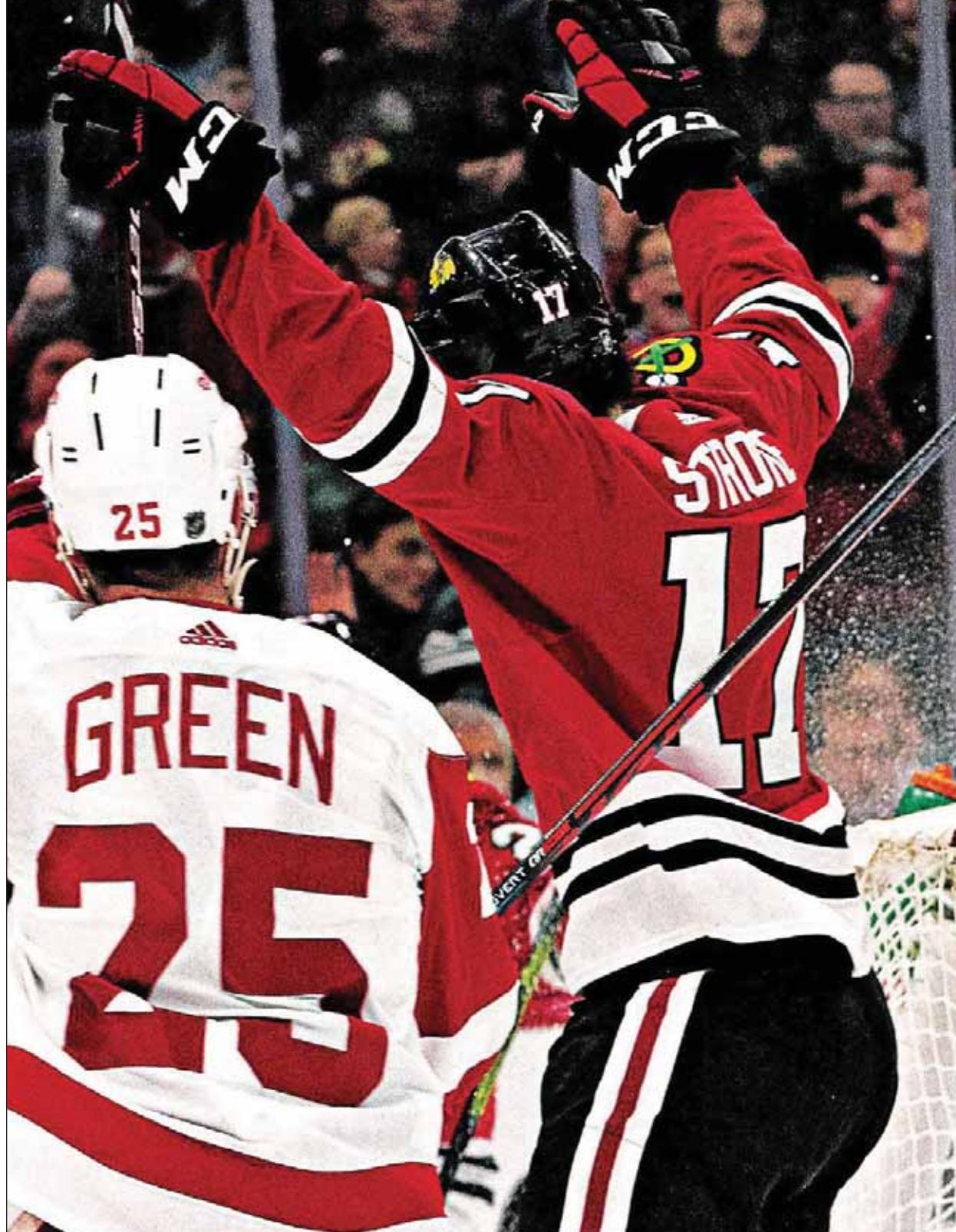
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The floor and after



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Dylan Strome raises his arms in celebration after scoring in the first period of the Hawks' victory over the Red Wings.

7th straight: 'Let's keep this thing rolling'

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

Chicago Tribune

Never mind the Original Six. The Blackhawks are in seventh heaven.

The Red Wings paid their only visit to the United Center on Sunday, a sad circumstance for traditionalists who wish for more games between these Original Six franchises.

But the relic of a rivalry was of secondary importance to the red-hot Hawks, who rode veteran goalie Cam

Ward's 43 saves and kept their playoff push going by beating the Red Wings 5-2 for their seventh straight victory.

It's the Hawks' longest streak since winning seven straight from Feb. 19 to March 4, 2017. They will try to make it eight in a row Tuesday against the Bruins.

"Let's keep this thing rolling," Ward said.

The Western Conference wild-

card race is so bunched up that with 55 points the Hawks are both four

points from the bottom and four from the first wild-card spot. But don't feel bad about checking the standings; you're not alone.

"I check the standings, yes," Ward admitted. "We know where we're at and what we need to do. With that being said, you control what you can control and that's how you perform and how you prepare and the guys are doing the right job right now."

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Cactus League is cool — in more ways than one



PAUL SULLIVAN

On baseball

PHOENIX — Major League Baseball's decision to start the season in late March pushes up the beginning of the Cactus League season once again.

This year's schedule of games in Arizona begins Feb. 21 and runs through March 26.

That means pitchers and catchers are reporting earlier, and since we're still a ways away from the actual start of spring, temperatures are only expected to be in the 60s for the next couple of weeks in the Valley of the Sun.

That's good news for Cubs fans who want to get a ticket for one of the spring training games.

Most fans tend to wait until March to begin their trek to Arizona, and once it heats up, Sloan Park is typically packed.

There are plenty of storylines in the Cactus League this year.

With one day until Cubs and White Sox pitchers and catchers report, Paul Sullivan looks at some spring storylines, Page 5



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BULLS

Parker's perseverance proved to be family affair

BY K.C. JOHNSON

Chicago Tribune

As a former first-round pick, Sonny Parker spent six years in the NBA with the Warriors and then committed to a lifetime of community service in his native Chicago.

He watched his son, Jabari, rack up multiple honors as one of the most decorated high school basketball players in Illinois' rich history, winning two Mr. Basketball awards and four state championships at Simeon.

He watched Jabari earn a schol-



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ship to Duke and become the No. 2 overall pick by the Bucks in 2014, 15 slots higher and 38 years later than him.

But it hasn't been all highs. Sonny also has watched Jabari rehabilitate after two surgeries to repair torn ACLs. And Jabari's latest test came in the form of a homecoming gone wrong.

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TOP OF THE SECOND



PHIL ROSENTHAL

Alliance fills football craving

The Alliance of American Football made its debut over the weekend, filling a post-Super Bowl void for fans so eager for games that they'll watch teams they know and care little about.

Go, team in red!

But the football actually wasn't bad.

It was like those preseason NFL games when the regulars have been benched and scrubs are fighting for roster spots, and AAF players may be competing for the same reason.

"We could be the training ground for the NFL," Bill Polian, a Pro Football Hall of Fame executive who's a co-founder of the AAF, said during the new league's CBS pregame show Saturday night.

That's the Alliance's hope, to become a developmental league for the NFL, "developmental" sounding better than "minor."

Some thoughts:

1. It's not just the players who hope this showcase will get them into the NFL someday.

One senses some of the rules — such as no kickoffs or point-after conversion — are getting NFL auditions, perhaps not for next year but down the road.

The SkyJudge — a game official stationed in the press box to cover for badly missed calls on the field — and the openness with which replay reviews were handed were big hits.

Why shouldn't the NFL let viewers eavesdrop on what the replay official and officials on the field are saying to each other?

2. The app's a teaser.

The Alliance's mobile phone app, which tracks all the players on the field — even for the coin toss — was nifty.

This potential precursor to a future in which bettors might be able to wager on what would occur next on a play-to-play basis was handicapped by the lag between real time and the TV broadcast. In time, however, it could be on time.

3. Tricks are not just for kids.

Coach Steve Spurrier's Orlando Apollos scored off a Philly Special-esque reverse-pass play in their 40-6 victory over the Atlanta Legends.

The trick move on first-and-goal from the 5 was the perfect antidote to the Super Bowl punt-fest a week earlier. More please.



Atlanta receiver Bug Howard (84) is upended in Saturday's game against Orlando.

4. A hit in more ways than one.

One reason the AAF has given for not having kickoffs is player safety.

That seemed a bit less believable when San Antonio's Shaan Washington blindsided San Diego quarterback Mike Bercovici, pancaking him with such force on the Fleet's opening drive as to pop Bercovici's helmet off and knock the ball from his hands.

NFL almost certainly would have penalized Washington for such hit, but not even the SkyJudge registered an objection.

No doubt some viewers were sold on the AAF then and there.

5. Does 'Moose' season ever end?

Bears fans surely got their fill of Daryl "Moose" Johnston, the second-tier Fox analyst who worked three of their telecasts this season with Chris Myers.

Yet there Johnston was on CBS, being interviewed on the sideline of the AAF's Battle of the Sans — the San Diego Fleet vs. San Antonio Commanders — by virtue of his role as the Commanders' general manager.

Johnston said it's his hope to show he has the makings of an NFL general manager.

If so, Bears fans would love to see him land a job someday with the Lions, Vikings or Packers. Especially the Packers.

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ASK THE REPORTER

BRAD BIGGS

Expect Pace to be passively aggressive



Do you think the Bears will be aggressive in free agency since they don't have a lot of picks in the 2019 NFL draft?

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We know general manager Ryan Pace is going to be aggressive every year. Finally, this offseason feels a little different. The Bears have had serious roster holes to plug since he arrived. So Pace was forced to be aggressive in finding fixes. Some were short-term answers, others could be long-term fits. Some holes have been plugged once, twice, three times. But the Bears are in good shape on both sides of the ball. There isn't nearly as much heavy lifting required looking to 2019. I believe Pace will remain aggressive, but it's going to be calculated.

Name one position the Bears would really like to improve that the average fan isn't considering.

@gustov3030

I think he will look to strengthen the offensive line again, something he's done a good job with both draft picks and free-agent signings over the last couple of years. Maybe the Bears will make a move at wide receiver, which may be one of a lot of people are not considering right now.

Who on the market can they replace Adrian Amos with? Will they re-sign him?

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There is a chance that Amos could re-sign with the Bears. There are a lot of name safeties that are slated to become unrestricted free agents, and the glut of veterans heading to the marketplace might prevent Amos from getting the kind of offer he seeks. LaMarcus Joyner, Earl Thomas, Tyrann Mathieu, Ha Ha Clinton-Dix and Landon Collins are just a few of the safeties headed toward the open market. I don't see the Bears looking to invest big at that position. They have solid money invested in the secondary as it is and will need to make Eddie Jackson one of the highest-paid safeties in the league a year from now.

Changing channels

Speaking of hard-hitting, former NBC Sports star Bob Costas opened up on ESPN's "E:60" Sunday about his stance on the NFL and brain trauma and how it led to his removal as host of NBC's Super Bowl coverage last year.

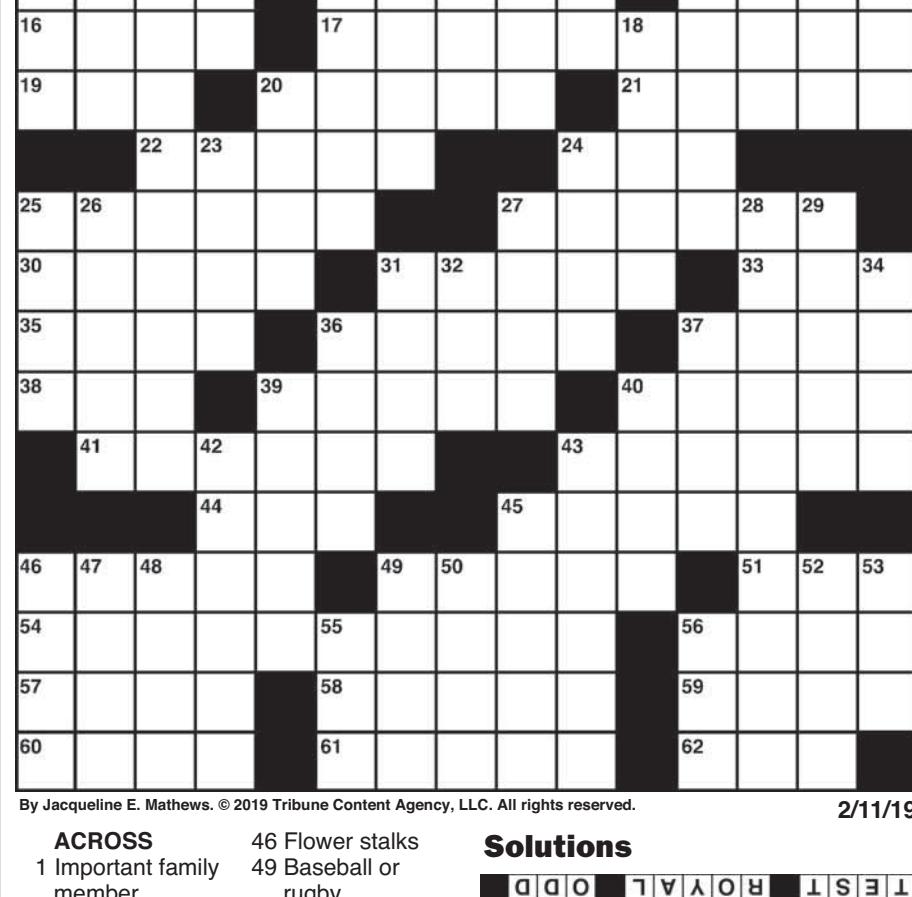
Costas, interviewed by Mark Fainaru-Wada, was unsparing about the relationship between the NFL and the television industry — not just NBC.

"It tells you who calls the shots," Costas said, referring to NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell declining an interview with him at the Super Bowl. "The only business arrangement I can think of where the buyer must continually flatter the seller is the sports TV business."

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That's what's known as a money quote. In every way.

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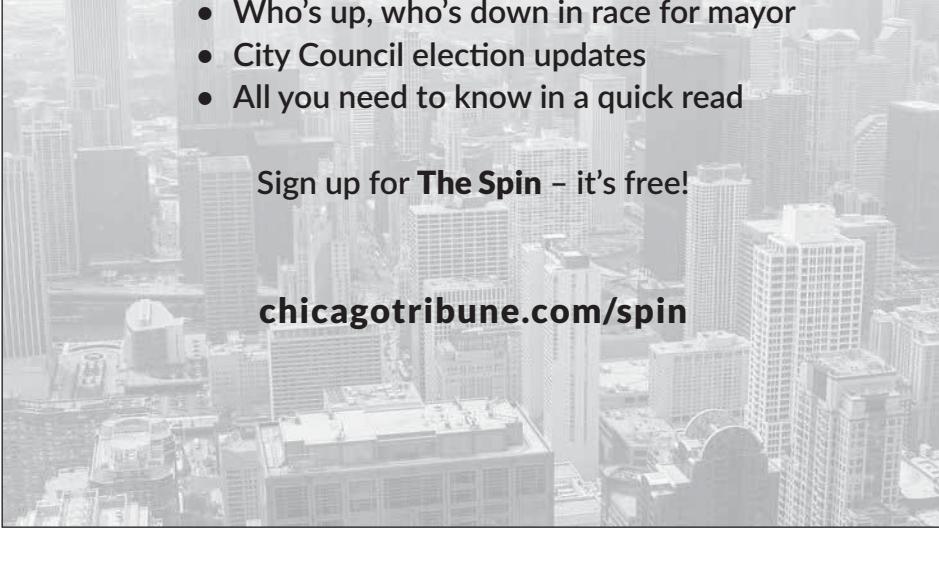
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL**LOYOLA 56, VALPARAISO 51**

Ramblers tighten grip on 1st

Townes scores 18, keys 13-0 run in second half to win MVC showdown

By MICHAEL OSIPOFF

Post-Tribune

When freshman guard Javon Freeman scored to open a nine-point lead with less than eight minutes left in Sunday's Missouri Valley Conference game, it appeared Valparaiso might be on its way to upending Loyola.

Instead, the first-place Ramblers turned the tide against the Crusaders.

Loyola ran off 13 straight points to beat host Valparaiso 56-51.

The Ramblers' Marques Townes scored a game-high 18 points, making several key late-game plays. The senior guard pointed to Loyola's defense and the pride it takes in closing out games during the last four minutes.

"It was huge," Townes said. "Without getting those stops, we can't convert on offense."

Freeman's basket gave the Crusaders (13-12, 6-6) a 43-34 advantage with 7:41 left. But Aher Uguak hit one of two free throws with 2:44 left to give the Ramblers (16-9, 9-3) a 44-43 lead and Townes added a 3-pointer 46 seconds later.

Valparaiso missed 10 straight shots before graduate transfer guard Deion Lavender's layup with 3.3 seconds left made it 54-51.

"We were right there," Valpo coach Matt Lottich said. "It was the wrong time to really go on a

big scoring drought. ... Every basket from there on out got really difficult.

"We played hard enough to win; we just didn't make enough shots down the stretch and they did."

After the Crusaders drew to 47-45 on Lavender's two free throws, Townes made an acrobatic reverse with 1:22 left. Cameron Krutwig had 12 points for Loyola, and Aher Uguak had seven rebounds.

Freeman led Valparaiso with 17

points, following up his career-high 27 at Illinois State. Freeman impressed Loyola coach Porter Moser, whose team beat Valparaiso 71-54 on Jan. 15 in Chicago.

"Freeman is emerging as one of the better players," Moser said.

Freeman appreciated the intense nature of Sunday's game.

"It was really physical," he said. "You have guys out there who really want to win."

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL NOTES

Houston keeps win streak at home alive

Associated Press

DeJon Jarreau scored 14 of his 16 points in the second half, Corey Davis Jr. also had 16 and No. 12 Houston held off No. 25 Cincinnati 65-58 on Sunday in Houston.

Jarreau added eight rebounds and five assists. He scored 11 consecutive points in the second half, including six straight to give Houston a 63-58 lead with 3½ minutes left. Davis and Jarreau each made free throws in the final 20 seconds to seal it for the Cougars (23-1, 10-1 AAC).

Galen Robinson Jr. had 10 points for Houston, which won its eighth straight and extended its home winning streak to 32 games. Houston shot 49 percent from the field.

Jarron Cumberland scored 27 points on 9-of-25 shooting, and Cane Broome added 10 points for Cincinnati (20-4, 9-2), which had its eight-game winning streak snapped. The Bearcats shot 33 percent from the field, including 27 percent in the second half.

After taking a 58-57 lead on Cumberland's 3-pointer with 6:11 left, Cincinnati missed its last 11 field goals and went scoreless for the rest of the game.

Houston led 34-33 at the half behind Davis' 11 points.

Dunk wins it: Andre Wesson scored the last of his 15 points on a tie-breaking dunk with 20 seconds left to help Ohio State pull off a 55-52 victory over Indiana in Bloomington, Ind.

The Buckeyes (16-7, 6-6 Big Ten) won their third straight overall and added a key road victory to their postseason resume.

Romeo Langford had 15 points to lead Indiana (13-11, 4-9), which has lost nine of its last 10 and four in a row at home. Devonte Green had 10 points and Juwan Morgan finished with a career-high 14 rebounds.

After trailing 47-38 with 6:25 to go, the Hoosiers tied the score when Langford made Indiana's third consecutive 3 with 4:52 to go. The Hoosiers retook the lead on Green's long, shot-clock beating 3 with 1:46 left. That made it 52-49.

C.J. Jackson tied it again with another 3 late in the shot clock and Wesson's dunk after a timeout gave Ohio State the lead for good.



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Northwestern center Dererk Pardon is fouled by Iowa forward Tyler Cook in the first half Sunday night.

IOWA 80, NORTHWESTERN 79

Late collapse jars NU

Down 13, Hawkeyes rally, hit last-second 3-pointer to beat Cats

Associated Press

IOWA CITY — Jordan Bohannon hit a 3-pointer from 23 feet with three-tenths of a second left as No. 20 Iowa rallied from a 13-point deficit and beat Northwestern 80-79 Sunday night.

Bohannon scored his first points with 5:28 to go on a jumper and finished with 15 points with 3-for-4 shooting from 3-point

range, including the winner for Iowa (19-5, 8-5, Big Ten).

Freshman Joe Wieskamp scored 21 points, including a 3-pointer that was part of the Hawkeyes' comeback with less than six minutes remaining. Tyler Cook had 19 points and 11 rebounds, and Isaiah Moss scored 16 points on 6-for-12 shooting.

Iowa has won three straight and sits three games behind Michigan in the Big Ten standings.

Vic Law had 24 points and 10 rebounds, Ryan Taylor scored 16 points, A.J. Turner added 15 and Dererk Pardon scored 13 for

Northwestern (12-11, 3-9).

The Wildcats looked like they were going to snap a three-game losing streak and get just their second Big Ten road win this season to go along with their victory Jan. 18 at Rutgers. Instead, they fell further into the trap of playing on the first day of the Big Ten tournament and have lost four in a row.

The Hawkeyes struggled through most of the game against the Wildcats, getting beaten on the boards (37-26) and allowing Northwestern to shoot better than 50 percent from the field.

The first half was one of scoring droughts — one by the Irish of 7:49 between two by the Yellow Jackets of 3:32 and 4:28 — and fittingly ended with Notre Dame's Nate Laszewski blocking Devoe's runner at the buzzer that left Georgia Tech with a 25-24 halftime lead.

Georgia Tech built a 17-8 lead — its largest of the half — on Devoe's third 3-pointer about seven minutes in before Laszewski ended a 0-for-10 start from beyond the arc. It ignited an Irish 16-7 run that ended with Mooney converting a 3-point play with 49 seconds left before halftime.

Jose Alvarado's 3-pointer was followed by a 9-0 run by the Irish. Harvey hit a 3-pointer from the corner for a 33-28 lead, forcing a Georgia Tech timeout with 16:41 to play. But a pair of free throws and Kristian Sjolund's 3-pointer from the corner erased that lead in 52 seconds.

The Irish regained the lead on Gibbs' 3-pointer with 13:53 remaining to end a drought of nearly three minutes and built it back up as Gibbs made five of six free throws after being fouled twice on 3-pointers.

Mooney's layup with 4:12 to go gave the Irish a 54-44 lead and they cruised from there.

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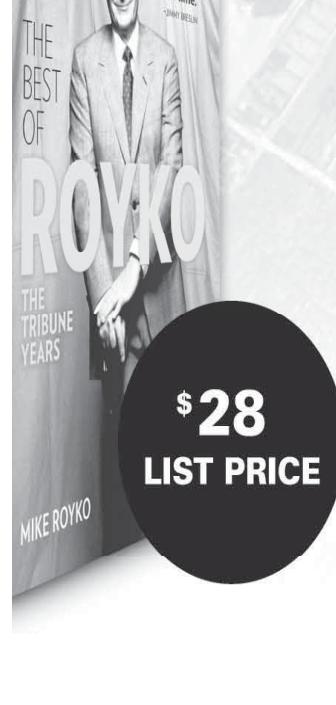
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HAWKS NOTES

Darling taking leave of absence

Hurricanes goalie's decision described as 'a personal thing'

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

Former Blackhawks goalie Scott Darling requested and was granted a leave of absence from professional hockey, Hurricanes general manager Don Waddell told the Charlotte News & Observer on Sunday.

No reason was given for the request. Darling's agent, Matt Keator, described the goaltender's leave of absence as "a personal thing."

Darling, who grew up in Lemont, signed a four-year, \$16.6 million contract with the Hurricanes shortly after they obtained him from the Hawks after the 2016-17 season. Darling never permanently locked down the starting job in his first season with the Hurricanes, finishing with an .888 save percentage and 3.18 goals-against-average in 43 games.

This season was even worse for Darling. He got off to a poor start with the Hurricanes and has spent the majority of the season with their AHL affiliate in Charlotte.

He has an .882 save percentage and 3.34 GAA in 14 games with the Checkers.

Waddell said he didn't believe Darling's request was based on his performance on the ice.

"We all know he's had ups and downs in his career, and we'll be supportive," Waddell said. "He's still under contract for two more years and we've got to see if we can get this thing back together."

A healthy scratch: Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton is sticking with his plan to rotate defensemen Carl Dahlstrom, Slater Koekkoek and Gustav Forsling in and out of the lineup. Dahlstrom sat out Thursday's win over the Canucks but returned against the Red Wings.

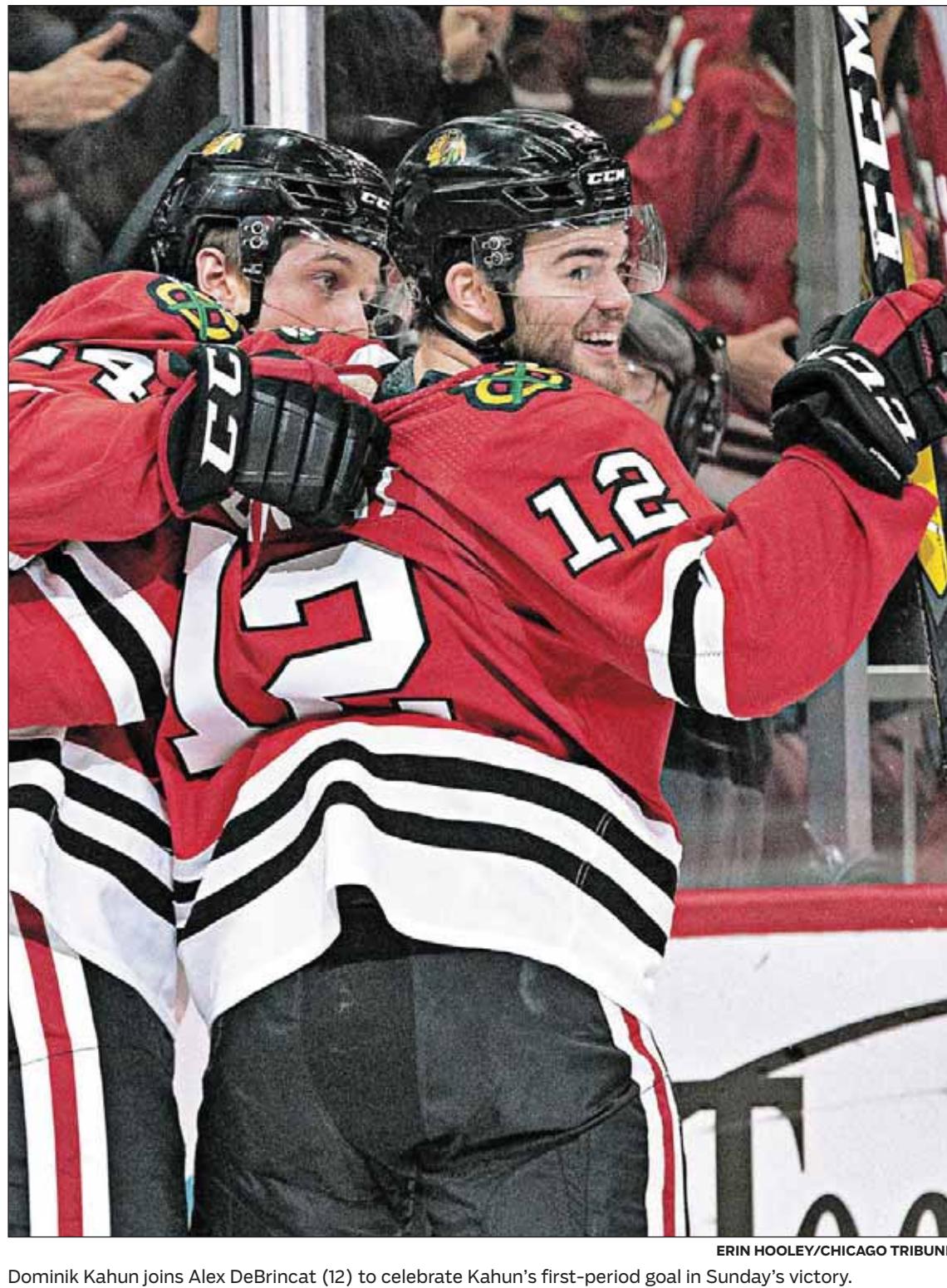
"We're developing them," Colliton said. "We're not just thinking about, 'How are they going to play now?'

"It's how are they going to play in 10 games, 30 games, next season. That's something we're going to continue to balance."

Typically, a scratched player watches the game near the press box above the highest section in the arena. No player prefers to watch from there, but Colliton said they can benefit from watching from a different perspective.

"When you go up top, the game looks a little different and it's a reminder of what's there and what's not," Colliton said. "Maybe get some ideas about what might help you when you get back in."

One-timers: Alex DeBrincat's three assists gave him an eight-game point streak, the longest of his career. ... Patrick Kane's 14-game point streak is the second-longest of his career, trailing only the 26-game streak he had in 2015.



Dominik Kahun joins Alex DeBrincat (12) to celebrate Kahun's first-period goal in Sunday's victory.

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7th straight win puts Hawks near playoffs

Blackhawks, from Page 1

The line of Dominik Kahun, Dylan Strome and Alex DeBrincat was dominant with each finding the scoresheet on the Hawks' first three goals. Kahun had two goals and an assist, Strome had a goal and two assists and DeBrincat assisted on all three of the line's goals.

They had their best game of the season, but they've been a big part of the Hawks' success since coach Jeremy Colliton put them together, not coincidentally, seven games ago.

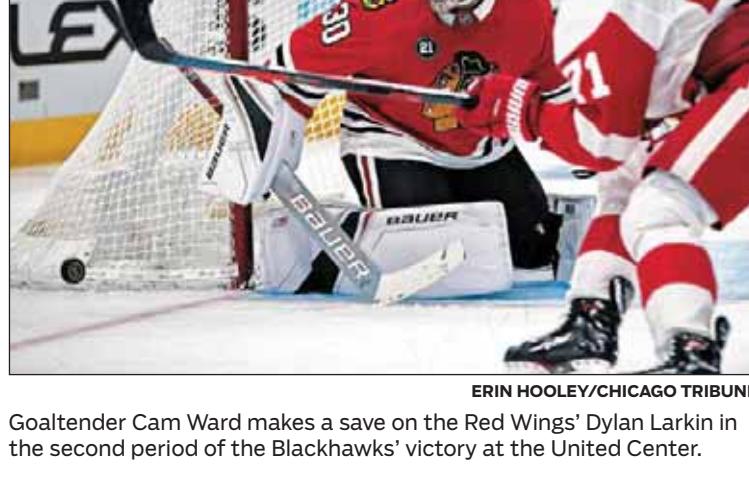
How have they been doing it? Kahun isn't quite sure.

"That's a good question," Kahun said. "We had some good games before, we're all young guys and we just communicate off the ice a lot. Maybe it's that because we just have good chemistry off the ice."

With 28 goals each of the last two seasons, DeBrincat has been the breakout star of the trio and Strome is finally living up to the pedigree of being the third overall pick in the draft four years ago.

The Hawks signed Kahun as an undrafted free agent last year without any promise that he would make the team.

But Kahun's talent has been evident from the start of the season, though he hadn't yet had a game like Sunday's. In the first period, his quick stick allowed him to score after his initial shot came back to him off the skate of a



Goaltender Cam Ward makes a save on the Red Wings' Dylan Larkin in the second period of the Blackhawks' victory at the United Center.

ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Red Wings player.

His second goal was the bigger one, coming on a backhander in the third period to give the Hawks a 3-1 lead.

"He's such a good player," DeBrincat said. "He can just make those little plays so well and he makes the game easy. He's a very good passer and as you see today he can still bury the puck too. To have that double threat is pretty great."

Sunday's win wasn't secure until Patrick Kane scored on a breakaway with 3 minutes, 33 seconds remaining to extend his point streak to 14 games. Jonathan Toews added an empty-netter, his

25th goal of the season, to provide the final margin.

That insecurity is nothing new for the Hawks, who are in no position to be content with three teams above them in the race for the final wild-card spot.

"We're not where we want to be," Colliton said. "We've got to keep getting better. We can, there's more. So we're happy we won, we got the two points we dearly needed and we'll go back to work tomorrow and get prepared for Tuesday and that's the mentality we should have as a group."

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just another chapter. He's in a better situation now."

Layups: Zach LaVine has posted three straight games with 20 or more points and five or more assists for the first time in his career. LaVine was not listed on the Bulls' injury report for Monday's game against the Bucks after he tweaked his right ankle in Saturday's loss. LaVine has been playing through ankle soreness in both ankles. ... In their franchise-record, 10-game home winning streak, the Bulls have lost by an average of 12.9 points. ... Nikola Mirotic, acquired by the Bucks on Thursday, was listed as out for Monday's game, even though he had expressed optimism that he would play. He has been sidelined since Jan. 23 with a strained right calf. If that holds, he still won't have played as visitor at the United Center.

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Bulls, from Page 1

Sonny was there last July when the Bulls introduced Jabari at the United Center as their premier offseason acquisition on a sparkling summer day. And Sonny was at the building again Saturday night, watching his son throw down six dunks and score 20 points with six assists to lead the Wizards past his hometown Bulls.

The performance came a mere three days after a trade ended the failed experiment, which included coach Jim Boylen benching Jabari in mid-December for what Boylen cited as poor practice habits and lack of defensive effort.

"I couldn't do it," Sonny said of not playing. "It would've got to me personally."

It did at times to Jabari as well. While he always supported his teammates, he had moments where he didn't join pregame or halftime layup lines when he fell out of the rotation. But his public comments remained on the high road.

And he eventually re-entered Boylen's rotation before last Wednesday's trade.

"We talked a lot about being professional, being a good teammate, watching your body language, cheering for your team," Sonny said. "It was hard for him. This was the first time in his life that he wasn't playing. But he persevered through it. He had a great attitude. He never said anything negative or bad toward his teammates or his coach or his organization."

Now a member of the Wizards, Jabari did acknowledge Saturday night his disappointment over his relationship changing with Boylen when Boylen moved from associate head coach to head coach after Fred Hoiberg was fired.

"It was very difficult because he's a native son, poster child here as one of the best players ever to come out of high school here in Illinois, let alone Chicago," Sonny said. "He had good friends. Spir-

itually, he went to church. He had good support within the community.

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NASCAR

DAYTONA 500 QUALIFYING

Byron to sit on Daytona 500 pole

Will join teammate Bowman as race's youngest front row

BY MARK LONG
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — William Byron put Hendrick Motorsports in a familiar position: on the pole for the Daytona 500. His bigger goal is to make the starting spot pay dividends for the NASCAR powerhouse.

The 21-year-old Byron and 25-year-old teammate Alex Bowman locked in the front row for "The Great American Race" during qualifying laps Sunday at Daytona International Speedway. They make up the youngest front row in Daytona 500 history.

The coveted starting spot hasn't meant much for NASCAR's season opener over the last two decades, though. The last Daytona 500 pole-sitter to win the race was Dale Jarrett in 2000.

The last four — Hendrick's Jeff Gordon, Chase Elliott (twice) and Bowman — have failed to notch a top-10 finish.

"To have them on top of each other means the organization did a heck of a job," Hendrick said. "This is the deal to sit on the pole at Daytona."

Byron and Bowman edged the other two Hendrick drivers: seven-time Cup Series champion Jimmie Johnson and fan favorite Chase Elliott.

"That's a pretty amazing feat, I feel," said longtime Hendrick crew chief Chad Knaus, who is entering his first season with Byron after 18 years with Johnson.

Knaus and Johnson landed the Daytona 500 pole in their first race together in 2002. After splitting with Johnson at the end of last season, Knaus essentially repeated the feat with Byron.

"I think it's huge," Knaus said. "We've had a lot of late nights, a lot of long hours. The last time I came here with a new driver, we sat on the pole. This is really special for me."

Byron reached a top speed of 194.304 mph in the final round of qualifying, nearly two-tenths of a second faster than Bowman (194.153).

"I thought we were going to be somewhere in the hunt," Byron said. "I was excited to get down here and see what we had. It's really cool."

The rest of the 40-car lineup will be set by two qualifying races Thursday. Thirty-six of those spots are already filled because of NASCAR's charter system.

Former Hendrick driver Casey Mears and Tyler Reddick secured two of the remaining spots in the Daytona 500. They posted the top speeds of the six drivers vying for four open spots in NASCAR's season opener.

Byron and his teammates will spend the week being lauded as the Daytona 500 favorites. They also will try to stay out of trouble in the qualifying races.

"We want to take care of the cars for sure," Hendrick said.

"We don't want to put the cars in any unnecessary harm's way. It's kind of a two-edge sword on the front row. You don't want to take a chance of tearing up a really good car, but you've got to figure out what to race."

Johnson wins Clash: Johnson triggered a wreck that wiped out nearly the entire field and zipped to the lead to win the rain-shortened exhibition Clash.

The seven-time Cup Series champion failed to win a race last season for the first time in his career, but a dose of aggression put him back in Victory Lane on the first weekend of Speedweeks. Johnson's win continued a banner day for Hendrick Motorsports.

Paul Menard led 51 laps and controlled the race, which was interrupted multiple times by rain. With more rain looming, Johnson dipped low and tried to side-draft Menard as they battled for the lead.

But Johnson turned Menard and started a chain-reaction accident that left cars sideways and smoking behind the No. 48 Chevrolet.

BASEBALL

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2nd year, 2nd chance

Healthy, confident Darvish aiming to make major contributions after disastrous debut

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — The mound that Yu Darvish stood atop Sunday felt like a cozy home.

Entering his second season with the Cubs as he attempts to rebound from an injury-plagued 2018, Darvish said he felt a sense of comfort during a 45-pitch bullpen session.

It's a stark contrast from last spring, when he was caught in a whirlwind of developments that started with a six-year, \$126 million agreement with the Cubs but spun out of control with a right elbow injury that limited him to eight starts and season-ending surgery in September.

"Last year I didn't know anyone," Darvish said under sunny skies in front of the Cubs' agility field. "I felt alone. But this year I know a lot of people, and I feel this is my place. That makes me more relaxed."

Several unsuccessful rehab attempts left Darvish hopeless and somewhat elusive last year as he preferred to speak in his native Japanese and often was brief in his comments.

With a healthy arm and greater familiarity with his teammates and his organization, Darvish wasn't shy about expressing his ambitions for 2019.

"I couldn't do anything last year for the Cubs," said Darvish, who conducted the interview in English. "I really love the fans and this organization. But I couldn't do anything. I want to do something for Chicago and the Cubs."

Darvish was candid last summer about the discomfort in his elbow that was initially diagnosed as an impingement, then a stress

reaction that eventually led to surgery to remove debris.

The most encouraging aspect of Darvish's workout Sunday was the sharpness of his pitches.

"I feel pretty good," Darvish said.

"My fastball was feeling powerful. The breaking ball is good too."

Darvish's September surgery allowed his elbow plenty of time to heal.

He started throwing bullpen sessions in late January, which is earlier than some starting pitchers get going.

And with the first official workout for pitchers and catchers not scheduled until Wednesday, Darvish was able to throw his bullpen session under a controlled setting without any time constraints.

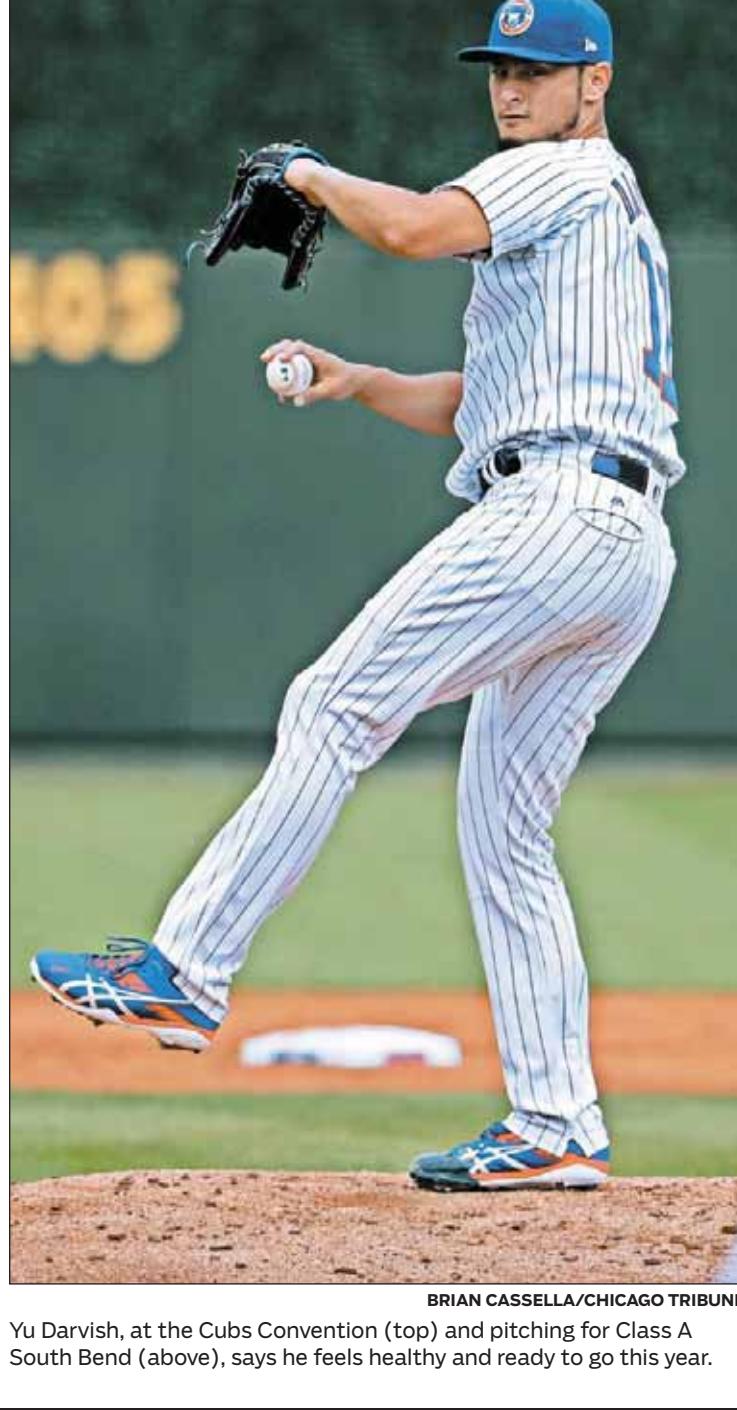
In that situation, Darvish, 32, worked at a deliberate pace, often chatted with new pitching coach Tommy Hottovy and checked the quality of his pitches with support staff.

"We're checking spin rate and (velocity), and then (comparing) last year in spring training (to) this year," Darvish said. "Last year was 88 (mph) in bullpen — this year 91-92 mph. So my (velocity) was going up, and we were talking about that."

With more bullpen sessions and exhibition games in the next six weeks, Darvish's velocity should climb to the mid-90 mph range.

"My body feels way (better) than last year, and my stuff was good too," Darvish said. "I have confidence."

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Yu Darvish, at the Cubs Convention (top) and pitching for Class A South Bend (above), says he feels healthy and ready to go this year.

5 storylines to watch as Cactus League draws near

Sullivan, from Page 1

Free-agent sightings: Not since Andre Dawson showed up at Cubs camp with a blank contract in 1987 has there been so much mystery over where the game's top free agents will land. Dawson's negotiating ploy worked for both him and the Cubs. They signed him for \$500,000, and he hit 49 home runs on his way to winning the National League MVP award. Of course they also finished in sixth place in the NL East, but that's another story.

Now we're all waiting on Manny Machado, Bryce Harper, Craig Kimbrel, Dallas Keuchel and a few other prominent names to pick their next home. The White Sox, Padres and Giants are all in the mix for either Machado or Harper.

Will any of the superstars have the guts to "pull a Dawson" and show up at their preferred franchise's spring training park ready to play for peanuts, relatively speaking?

Don't hold your breath.

New Brew: The Brewers on Tuesday will have a ribbon-

cutting ceremony for their renovated spring training complex, which was renamed Brewers Fields of Phoenix. Instead of moving to a better location and building a sparkling, new facility, the Brewers opted to remain in old Maryvale Baseball Park.

They also have reached an agreement with American Family Insurance on a 15-year naming-rights deal for their home park in Milwaukee, but it will continue to be called Miller Park until after the 2020 season.

The Brewers didn't commit to any long-term deals this offseason, but they did sign free-agent catcher Yasmani Grandal to a one-year, \$18.25 million deal, filling perhaps the biggest hole on their roster.

The defending National League Central champs open the Cactus League season against the Cubs on Feb. 23 at Sloan Park.

Arizona angst: One of the perks of being a Diamondbacks fan is having your team play its spring training games within driving distance in the Valley. Arizona has one of the best facilities in the Cactus League — Talking Stick at Salt River Fields — and is

traditionally one of the better draws.

But management overreacted to last year's 82-80 season and traded star first baseman Paul Goldschmidt to the Cardinals while allowing ace Patrick Corbin to sign with the Nationals. Making matters worse, A.J. Pollock, one of their more popular players, signed with the archrival Dodgers.

Will fans still support the team this spring at the Stick?

Strike a pose: Kyler Murray could show up at A's camp and take the Cactus League by storm. Or he could decide to take his talents to the NFL. No one seems to know.

A's general manager David Forst told reporters Sunday they were still in discussions with Murray, a talented minor-league outfielder who also happens to be a Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback from Oklahoma.

Murray is due to report Friday but could be placed on the restricted list and be forced to repay his \$4.66 million bonus if he opts for the NFL. Murray is expected to be in Indianapolis for the NFL scouting combine Feb. 26-March 4, according to ESPN.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported the A's may add Murray to the 40-man roster and rework his deal to compete with whatever he'd make as a first-round NFL draft pick. Either way, he's one of the bigger names in the Cactus League, minor leaguer or not.

Red herring? There are quite a few rebuilding teams in the Cactus League, including the White Sox, Padres, Royals, Rangers and Reds.

But the Reds could be a surprise contender in the NL Central if all of their offseason moves click. They've added starters Tanner Roark, Sonny Gray and Alex Wood, along with veteran Dodgers outfielders Matt Kemp and Yasiel Puig, who usually creates a stir just by being himself.

Of course, the Reds finished 26-50 against their division rivals last year, so it's still an uphill battle. But at least they should be interesting, which hasn't been the case in Cincinnati since the Dusty Baker era.

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As camps draw near, many stars unsigned

Bryce Harper, Manny Machado head long list of top players still looking for work

BY RONALD BLUM
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Bryce Harper, Manny Machado, Craig Kimbrel and Dallas Keuchel won't be around when the bat and ball bags are opened at spring training throughout Florida and Arizona this week.

They are among the dozens of free agents still looking for jobs, joined by Mike Moustakas, Marvin Gonzalez, Carlos Gonzalez and Gio Gonzalez.

For the second straight winter, camps are opening with many rosters in exceptional flux.

"The market will sort itself out," Cardinals Chairman Bill DeWitt Jr. said at last week's owners' meetings. "There is a long time between the end of the season and spring training, and there's maybe not so much a sense of urgency on whichever side it happens to be."

Among the 164 players who exercised free-agency rights at the end of last year's World Series, 84 had announced agreements on the eve of spring training. That is up from 65 of 166 at roughly the same point last season but down from 105 of 158 two years ago.

The Red Sox added J.D. Martinez last Feb. 26 and the Phillies brought in Jake Arrieta on March 12. All but 26 of the free agents last offseason eventually reached deals, but some with big-money contracts flopped after late starts: Yu Darvish joined the Cubs on Feb. 13, went 1-3 and didn't pitch after May 20 because of arm problems. Eric Hosmer finalized his agreement with the Padres on Feb. 19 and hit a career-worst .253 with 69 RBIs. Alex Cobb signed with the Orioles on March 26 and went 5-16.

A drawn-out negotiating process means clubs have lost time in marketing new acquisitions, which seems especially significant to a sport coming off three straight years of attendance declines. Average attendance dropped below 30,000 last year for the first time since 2003.

"We want players signed, particularly star players. I wish they were signed and ready to go," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said Friday. "We've got another week before they have to report. I'm really hopeful that it's going to get resolved during that period of time."

The A's take the field first, starting workouts Monday in Mesa, Ariz. The Mariners follow Tuesday in Peoria, Ariz., with both teams getting early starts because they open the season in Tokyo on March 20-21, a week before other teams get underway. Every other club launches practice Wednesday or Thursday except for the Braves, who wait until Saturday.

Six new managers are in charge for the second straight spring training and five of them are big-league rookie skippers for the second straight year. Rocco Baldelli (Twins), David Bell (Reds), Brandon Hyde (Orioles), Charlie Montoya (Blue Jays) and Chris Woodward (Rangers) are first-timers running a big-league dugout, joined by the Angels' Brad Ausmus, the Tigers' manager from 2014-17.

One of last year's rookie managers was Alex Cora, who led the Red Sox to their fourth World Series title in 15 seasons. They hope to become the first team to win consecutive titles since the 1998-2000 Yankees.

"Repeating is tough," Cora said. "It starts with the players. People are going to talk about hangovers and all that and the banquet circuit. It's part of it. But they've been disciplined enough."

Among the major trades of the offseason, the Phillies obtained catcher JT Realmuto from the Marlins, the Cardinals got first baseman Paul Goldschmidt from the Diamondbacks and the Mets got second baseman Robinson Cano and closer Edwin Diaz from the Mariners. In the free-agent market thus far, the Nationals added left-hander Patrick Corbin and the Dodgers outfielder A.J. Pollock, the Braves got third baseman Josh Donaldson and the Rockies picked up second baseman Daniel Murphy.

By March 28, when most teams open, many rosters will look significantly different. The Mets and Phillies have noticeably bolstered theirs. The Orioles, Reds, Royals, Marlins, Mariners and Blue Jays chose rebuilding.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL		

HOW AP MEN'S TOP 25 FARED SUNDAY

1. Tennessee (22-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina, Wednesday.
 2. Duke (21-2) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Louisville, Tuesday.
 3. Virginia (20-2) did not play. Next: at No. 8 North Carolina, Monday.
 4. Gonzaga (22-2) did not play. Next: at Loyola Marymount, Thursday.
 5. Kentucky (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 21 LSU, Tuesday.
 6. Nevada (23-1) did not play. Next: at Wyoming, Saturday.
 7. Michigan (22-2) did not play. Next: at Penn State, Tuesday.
 8. North Carolina (19-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Virginia, Monday.
 9. Maryland (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Wisconsin, Tuesday.
 10. Marquette (20-4) did not play. Next: at DePaul, Tuesday.
 11. Virginia Tech (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Wednesday.
 12. Houston (21-3) beat No. 25 Cincinnati 65-58. Next: at UConn, Thursday.
 13. Kansas (18-6) did not play. Next: at TCU, Monday.
 14. Villanova (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. Providence, Wednesday.
 15. Purdue (17-6) did not play. Next: at No. 24 Maryland, Tuesday.
 16. Louisville (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Duke, Tuesday.
 17. Iowa State (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas State, Saturday.
 18. Texas Tech (19-5) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma State, Wednesday.
 19. Wisconsin (17-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Michigan State, Tuesday.
 20. Iowa (19-5) beat Northwestern 62-59. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
 21. LSU (19-4) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Kentucky, Tuesday.
 22. Florida State (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Wednesday.
 23. Buffalo (20-3) did not play. Next: at Akron, Tuesday.
 24. Maryland (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 15 Purdue, Tuesday.
 25. Cincinnati (20-4) lost to No. 12 Houston 65-58. Next: vs. Wichita State, Sunday

HOW AP WOMEN'S TOP 25 FARED SUNDAY

1. Baylor (21-1) did not play. Next: at Kansas State, Wednesday.
 2. Louisville (23-1) beat Virginia Tech 72-63. Next: vs. No. 25 Miami, Sunday.
 3. Oregon (23-1) beat No. 11 Stanford 88-48. Next: vs. No. 7 Oregon State, Friday.
 4. Notre Dame (22-3) beat No. 24 Florida State 97-70. Next: at Boston College, Wednesday.
 5. UConn (21-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 12 South Carolina, Monday.
 6. Mississippi State (22-1) beat Tennessee 79-63. Next: vs. Missouri, Thursday.
 7. Oregon State (20-4) beat California 82-74. Next: at No. 3 Oregon, Friday.
 8. Marquette (21-3) beat No. 15 Louisville 65-55. Next: vs. No. 14 Wisconsin, Friday.
 9. NC State (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 15 Wisconsin, Wednesday.
 10. Maryland (22-2) beat No. 20 Rutgers 62-48. Next: vs. Nebraska, Thursday.
 11. Stanford (19-4) lost to No. 3 Oregon 88-48. Next: at UCLA, Friday.
 12. South Carolina (17-5) did not play. Next: at No. 5 UConn, Monday.
 13. Gonzaga (22-2) did not play. Next: vs. San Diego, Thursday.
 14. Texas (19-5) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma State, Tuesday.
 15. Syracuse (18-5) beat Princeton College 96-69. Next: vs. No. 9 N.C. State, Wednesday.
 16. Iowa (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 15 Wisconsin, Wednesday.
 17. Utah (16-6) lost to UCLA 101-99. Next: at Arizona, Friday.
 18. Texas A&M (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Thursday.
 19. Kentucky (19-5) did not play. Next: at Alabama, Monday.
 20. Arizona State (16-6) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Friday.
 21. Rutgers (17-6) lost to No. 10 Maryland 62-48. Next: vs. Ohio State, Thursday.
 22. Iowa State (18-5) did not play. Next: at Wednesday.
 23. Michigan State (16-6) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana, Monday.
 24. Florida State (20-4) lost to No. 4 Notre Dame 97-70. Next: at Clemson, Thursday.
 25. Miami (21-5) beat Pittsburgh 65-51. Next: at No. 2 Louisville, Sunday

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

MEN'S SCORES

Loyola of Chicago 56, Valparaiso 51
 Missouri St. 66, Illinois St. 55
 Notre Dame 69, Georgia Tech 59
 Oral Roberts 66, South Dakota 72
 EAST
 Canisius 64, St. Peter's 60
 Iona 78, Niagara 76
 Lafayette 69, Holy Cross 67
 Siena 59, Rider 57
 UMBC 67, Maine 66
 SOUTH
 George Mason 84, La Salle 76
 Memphis 78, UConn 71
 South Florida 72, East Carolina 68, OT
 SOUTHWEST
 Houston 65, Cincinnati 58
 UCF 71, SMU 65
 WEST
 UC Davis 61, UC Santa Barbara 57

WOMEN'S SCORES

Bradley 81, Evansville 63
 Cincinnati 82, Wichita St. 54
 Creighton 76, Georgetown 71
 Drake 83, Loyola of Chicago 55
 IUPUI 64, Cleveland St. 36
 Illinois 78, Wisconsin 68
 Illinois St. 78, Indiana St. 70
 Iowa 78, Ohio St. 52
 Marquette 93, Villanova 55
 Minnesota 73, Northwestern 64

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

MEN	CONFERENCE STANDINGS				OVERALL			
	W-L	PCT.	PF	PA	W-L	PCT.	PF	PA
Michigan	11-2	.546	67.9	59.3	22-2	.517	91.7	70.7
Purdue	10-2	.533	76.0	60.1	17-6	.539	76.8	68.4
Michigan State	10-3	.569	75.5	65.7	19-5	.782	81.9	67.0
Maryland	9-4	.692	68.4	64.0	16-7	.750	73.8	64.9
Wisconsin	9-4	.692	64.7	59.5	17-7	.708	70.6	61.0
Iowa	8-5	.615	77.8	76.5	19-5	.792	81.6	74.1
Ohio State	6-6	.500	67.3	67.6	16-7	.696	72.4	64.8
Minnesota	6-7	.462	68.8	73.0	16-8	.667	72.6	70.0
Illinois	5-8	.385	73.5	66.7	9-15	.375	77.6	57.5
Indiana	4-9	.308	63.2	68.9	13-11	.542	71.5	66.7
Rutgers	4-9	.308	66.6	74.3	11-12	.478	68.0	65.5
Northwestern	3-9	.250	61.6	68.7	12-11	.522	68.2	65.0
Nebraska	3-10	.231	66.2	70.5	13-11	.542	72.9	63.5
Penn State	1-11	.083	64.4	71.1	8-15	.348	68.1	68.9

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Purdue at Maryland, 6:30 (BTN)
 Michigan State at Wisconsin, 7 (ESPN2)
 Michigan at Penn State, 8:30 (BTN)

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Rutgers at Northwestern, 7 (BTN)
 Minnesota at Nebraska, 9 (BTN)

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

Illinois at Ohio State, 7 (ESPN/ESPN2)

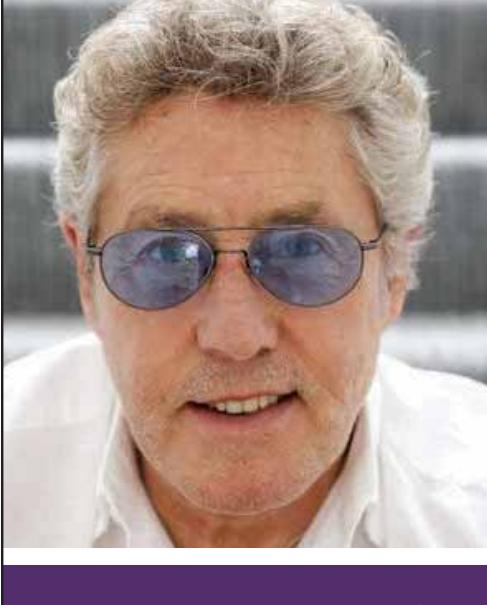
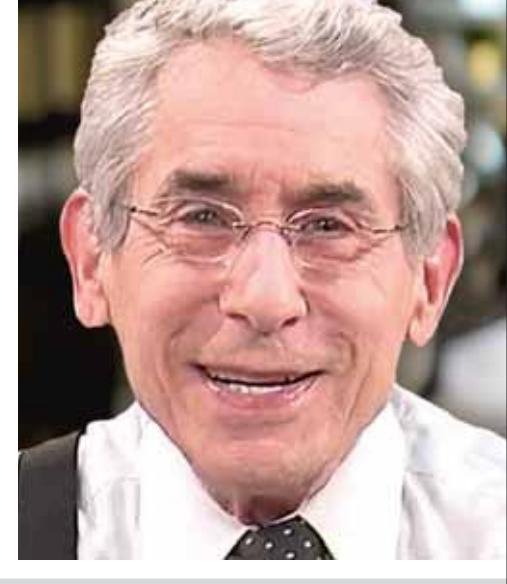
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1 24 William Byron	C 190.43	Brad Keselowski 3 55-a 0
2 88 Alex Bowman	C 194.154	Kyle Larson 14 55-a 0
3 48 Austin Dillon	C 196.2	Erik Jones 20 55-a 0
4 9 Chase Elliott	C 193.782	Fireball Roberts, P 157.09
5 8 Daniel Hemric	C 192.466	Paul Goldsmith, P 160.943
6 22 Joey Logano	F 192.448	Darel Dieringer, Mr 171.151
7 19 Martin Truex Jr.	T 192.353	Richie St. James, C 171.65
8 14 Clint Bowyer	F 192.291	Tommy Baldwin, C 170.85
9 2 Bradi Keselowski	F 192.263	Cale Yarborough, Mr 189.222
10 19 Austin Dillon	C 191.107	Buddy Baker, D 189.801
11 21 Matt Menard	T 190.492	A.J. Foyt, Mr 182.744
12 11 Dennis Hamlin	T 190.492	Buddy Baker, O 196.049
13 18 Kyle Busch	T 191.127	Bobby Isaac, D 186.632
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15 4 Kevin Harvick	F 190.018	Benny Parsons, P 196.317
16 34 Michael McDowell	C 189.948	Ricky Rudd, C 198.864
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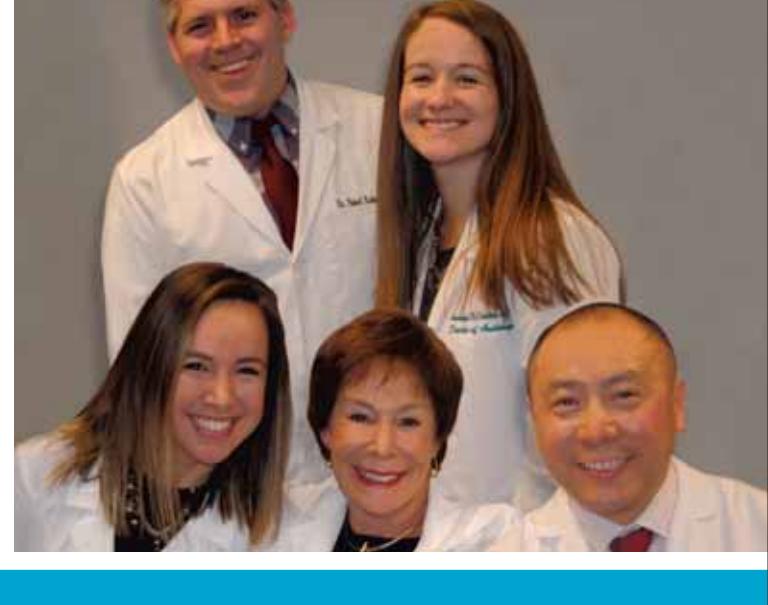
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Queen of the hills leaves a mountain of memories from unparalleled career

BY PAT GRAHAM

Associated Press

The temperature: absolutely freezing. The time: barely after sunrise.

The place: the bottom of a training hill in Vail, Colo., waiting for Lindsey Vonn to finish a few runs to test her surgically repaired knee just before the 2014 Sochi Games — an Olympics she ended up missing because of that troublesome knee.

"Why on Earth would you wait in this?!" an incredulous Vonn asked me as she threw on her parka.

That one needed no answer.

If you've waited in the bitter cold, pressed against the fencing waiting for an interview, or, as a fan, planned your entire day around seeing Vonn — even if for just that magical split-second when she sped by you on the mountain — then you were not alone. You were lucky. Freezing, perhaps. But lucky.

Because greatness like that doesn't come along often.

In an unscientific survey of fans, friends, family members and rivals to uncover the perfect word that best captured her, each person answered with a variation of three — a podium of sorts to describe the most winningest female World Cup skier ever.

Resilient.

Stubborn.

Game-changer.

Maybe that's why she kept going even after every outward and inward sign told her to stop.

At 34 and with her knees simply refusing to cooperate anymore, the 2010 downhill Olympic champion and the four-time overall World Cup title winner pushed out of the start gate for a final time at the world championships Sunday in Sweden. It was vintage Vonn as she roared through the downhill course to earn one last podium spot — a bronze medal that felt like pure gold. Before exiting the stage, she waved to the crowd and took one final bow.

A well-deserved moment over a career filled with crashes and comebacks, celebrations and triumphs, broken bones and broken hearts, red carpets and golden opportunities.

"The compelling nature of Lindsey's story is not her victories or medals. It is her daring, her willingness to work extraordinarily hard, and her grit," said her father, Alan Kildow, who moved the family from Minnesota to Colorado to help nurture his daughter's talent when she was young. "Without failure there can be no true victory, and Lindsey represents the willingness to risk failure to ultimately achieve her dreams."

Podium word No. 1: resilient.

The image was jarring: Vonn whisked away from the mountain by a helicopter after a violent crash.

Not once. Twice.

The first copter ride was after a downhill training crash before the 2006 Turin Games. Two days later, and with a bruised hip, she finished eighth in the downhill. The other, February 2013 at the world championships in Austria when she tore her ACL and MCL. It took her months to get back — she re-injured the knee and it cost her the shot at defending her downhill title at the Sochi Games — but return she did.

Comebacks and toughness have always been her thing. Her dad compared her to Rocky Balboa because she's the "everyman who climbs into the ring, takes a beating, and gets back up off the canvas to win the bout."

That ability to bounce back served her well over a career that included torn knee ligaments, broken bones, a sliced thumb and so much more.

Her first World Cup start was Nov. 18, 2000, in a slalom race in Park City, Utah, and she didn't qualify for the second run. She was known as Lindsey Kildow then, until she changed her name



GABRIELE FACCIOTTI/AP (POSING), GETTY (SKIING)

Lindsey Vonn shows the bronze medal she won in her final competitive downhill race Sunday in Are, Sweden.

to Vonn after marrying her now ex-husband, Thomas, in 2007. They announced their divorce in 2011 and she never changed her name back because, well, the world knew her as Vonn. During her marriage, she was estranged from her father, but they have mended the relationship.

She'd win 82 World Cup races — four behind the all-time mark held by Sweden's Ingemar Stenmark, who showed up Sunday at her request — and drew comparisons to compatriot Bode Miller, who was revered for his high-risk approach.

"What she's done for the sport, inspiring so many youth, girls and boys, and showing you can compete with the big superstars in Europe, we're all proud," American racer Daron Rahlves said.

As the U.S. ski team doctor for more than 20 years, Dr. William Sterett can't help but marvel at her resiliency.

"I don't know anybody in any other sport that's had to bounce back as many times as she has," Sterett said. "She's come back just as tough and just as driven as she ever was."

Podium word No. 2: stubborn.

Word of caution — don't tell Vonn she can't do something. It fires her up.

"Once something is in her mind she's going to do it," said her sister, Laura Kildow.

Vonn's sister has been by her side through many of her surgeries. She's seen the determination to get back on the slopes.

"I have this image of her a few days after having surgery where she's sitting on the floor in front of the TV trying to raise her foot off

the ground," Laura Kildow recalled. "She was so concentrated, her leg was shaking. But she just physically couldn't do it. But the look in her eyes was like you knew she wasn't going to stop trying until she did it."

That's why stepping away was so difficult. She planned to go until December and couldn't wrap her mind around leaving early.

Her body finally convinced her. Two last races at the world championships and no more. In the super-G, she crashed and suffered more bruises. But she returned even more determined Sunday in a downhill where she momentarily had the lead.

"I put the nerves aside and just enjoyed it," she said.

A bigger bonus: "I made it down safely," she cracked.

Podium word No. 3: game-changer.

Vonn was among the first women to regularly use men's downhill skis, which were longer and tougher to control but generated more power.

Given her renowned workout routines — upside-down sit-ups anyone? — she didn't have a problem. She also wanted to race against the men, something that

never came to fruition.

She opened eyes to what's possible, especially to a youngster named Mikaela Shiffrin, who has 56 World Cups wins and turns 24 in March.

"I wrote book reports about her," Shiffrin said. "I was Lindsey's biggest fan."

Vonn's success wasn't limited to

the slopes. The spotlight always

found her, a crossover athlete who

appeared on magazine covers,

dated famous sports stars — once

golfer Tiger Woods and now

Nashville Predators defenseman

P.K. Subban — and wore elegant

outfits at gala events. She also has

set up a foundation to help future

generations find their "grit

within."

All part of her plan to raise the profile of ski racing — much like Serena Williams did for tennis.

"I try to be dynamic and

powerful and really creating speed

where most people can't," Vonn

said before the Pyeongchang Games last February, when she

earned a bronze in the downhill.

"In that way I hope to leave a

powerful impact on the sport and

hopefully raise the level of women's skiing."

Consider it accomplished.

Sore points: Vonn defeats final obstacle

BY ANDREW DAMPF
AND STEVE DOUGLAS

Associated Press

ARE, Sweden — Lindsey Vonn walked off with her career haul of medals in her right hand, the gold, silver and bronze clinking together almost weighing her down.

Or was it the bulging knee braces and metal support rods inside her vast array of broken bones?

Whatever it was, the sound was a reminder of what Vonn has come to symbolize — an athlete who battled back from one major injury after another throughout her career to win more ski races than any other woman.

Add one more — final — comeback to the list.

Five days after crashing in super-G — a fall that knocked the wind out of her and left her with a black eye and a bruised rib — and three months after tearing a ligament in her left knee, Vonn won the bronze medal in the world championship downhill Sunday in the final race of her career.

She's shed so many tears that there are none left — just like she no longer has any cartilage in her knees.

"I'm literally tapped out, I can't cry anymore," Vonn said. "I want to cry, but it's dry. It's not an easy thing to feel your bones hitting together and continue to push through it."

"Of course I'm sore. Even before the crash I was sore. So I'm just sore on top of sore. My neck is killing me," Vonn said. "But at the end of the day no one cares if my neck hurts; they only care if I win. I knew that I was capable of pushing through the pain one last time and I did that. Every athlete has their own obstacles and I faced mine head on today and I conquered them."

Vonn had been planning to retire in December of this year, but she recently moved up her plans because of persistent pain in both of her surgically repaired knees. Then came the super-G crash, when she straddled a gate in midair, flew face-first down the mountain and slammed into the safety nets.

"She has been business as usual this whole week, saying 'I'm racing to win,'" Karin Kildow, Vonn's sister, told the Associated Press. "I was like, 'Just maybe make it down and maybe stand up.' But she was like, 'No, I'm going full out.' She was definitely in the mindset to push it and she really did."

It's a medal that brings Vonn full circle: the American's two silvers at the 2007 worlds on the same course in Are were the first two major championship medals of her career.

"I was weighing in my mind the risk of putting it all out there, crashing and getting injured again, as opposed to finishing where I wanted to," Vonn said. "It was an internal battle."

As soon as she exited the finish area, Vonn embraced Swedish great Ingemar Stenmark, the only skier to win more World Cup races than she did — 86 to 82.

"I basically begged him to come here via text, in all caps, many exclamation points," Vonn said. "He's an icon and a legend in our sport and he doesn't really like the spotlight, but he deserves to have it. I was just so grateful that he was there."

"Honestly, it's a perfect ending to my career."

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Bob Costas, right, Mike Tirico, left, and Cris Collinsworth host the pregame show for NBC's "Sunday Night Football" during the 2016 season.

Costas: Criticism of NFL cost me Super Bowl LII

BY CINDY BOREN
The Washington Post

A year after Bob Costas was conspicuous by his absence from NBC's broadcast of Super Bowl LII, the longtime face of the network's sports telecasts explained that he was told "you've crossed the line" with commentary about the NFL.

"I remember being told that now I can no longer host the Super Bowl," Costas, who parted amicably with the network after 40 years, told ESPN's "Outside the Lines." "I think the words were, 'You've crossed the line' and my thought was, 'What line have I crossed?'"

It's a line that isn't clearly defined, but the NFL is a ratings behemoth and likes to refer to networks as "broadcast partners." Over the last few years, Costas had moved from being the genial host of the network's biggest sports event to someone who offered brief snippets of commentary and he quickly was subjected to an unaccustomed barrage of criticism for speaking up about long-term cognitive issues that can develop after playing football, gun control, the national anthem controversy and the Redskins' name. He had referred to football as "unacceptably brutal" and a sport that "destroys people's brains," likening it to "Russian roulette." The reality, he said in a 2017 Shirley Povich Symposium at the University of Maryland, "is that this sport destroys people's brains."

What led to the Super Bowl LII moment was an awareness of the violence and danger of football that Costas traces back to covering the sport in the 1990s. He signed on for "Sunday Night Football" when NBC launched it to be "a good soldier." He was able to contribute halftime essays, most of which dealt with the game. But "evidence is evidence and it's part of your job to see what's out there in front of you," he told ESPN's Mark Fainaru-Wada.

In 2015, for instance, he "proposed a very carefully crafted halftime essay that would give the NFL full credit for the steps it had taken, perhaps belatedly, but the steps that it had taken to try to cope with the crisis." It was a commentary that he had "purposely toned down." "I remember the reaction" when presented



Costas says he still believes that "dollop of commentary in journalism" can "enhance the broadcast."

with it about three days ahead of time "almost verbatim. They said This is a very well-written piece. Wouldn't change a comma. We can't air it. We're in negotiations with the NFL for 'Thursday Night Football!'"

At that point, he said he realized "that this was an untenable situation for me. Did it make me think that the people for whom I worked and with whom I worked were not good people, not talented people, not people I liked, appreciated and respected? No. But they had different concerns than I had. Look, the NFL isn't just the most important sports property, it's the single most important property in all of American television and it isn't even close."

His commentary continued, but it became more problematic in a polarized society and because of the relationship between the NFL

and networks. "It's possible to say that football is an exciting sport and people are connected to it for various reasons, but there are these undeniable problems."

The NFL is a billion-dollar investment for networks and "all of them dance to the NFL's tune. Everyone walks on eggshells around the NFL," he said. Costas continued to speak about football in the fall preceding Super Bowl LII, with the network saying that his "opinions are his own and do not represent those of the NBC Sports Group."

Said Costas: "So I guess NBC is not sure whether there is a connection between football and brain trauma. And I imagine the next press release is: It's still open to question whether or not the earth is round or flat. OK. Sure."

A CNN interview with Michael Smerconish led to him hearing

you tossed me off, which is the way some people interpreted it — not me," he said. "I was saying to them, 'Here is a thoughtful way out' and they made the request to Goodell directly. And Goodell declined."

Asked what it says that the NFL wouldn't make the commissioner available to a network that pays it billions, Costas responded, "It tells you who calls the shots. It's an unusual relationship when you talk about broadcast sports. It's one of the few relationships I can think of where the buyer must continually flatter the seller. We deliver the billion dollars in a Brink's armored truck, but we hope we didn't offend you by sending it over in the incorrect denominations and if we did, we'll immediately correct that oversight and we'll come over and wash your car as well. That's not unique to NBC. That's the way this thing works."

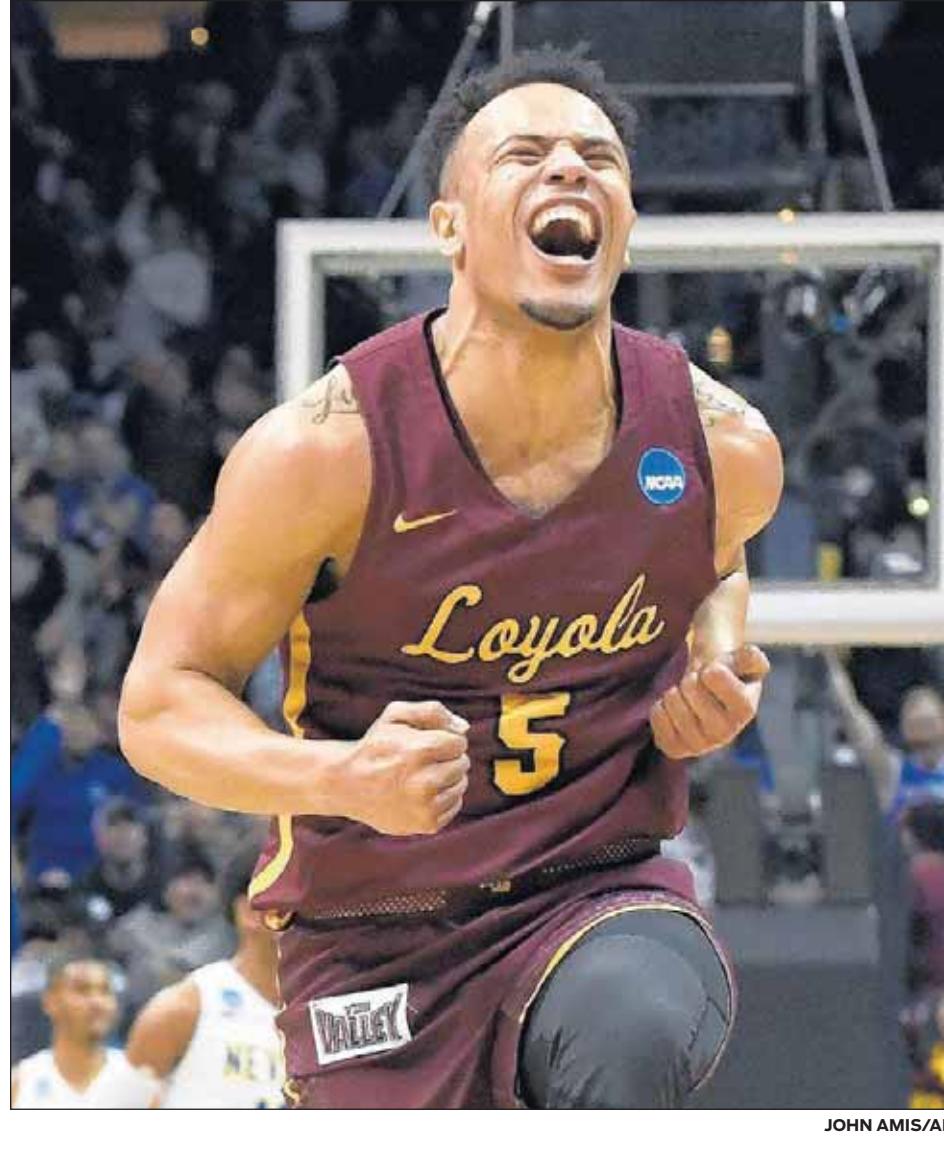
Costas was taken from the lineup for the Super Bowl, with the NFL declining to address the subject, according to ESPN. "We have conversations with our partners all the time, but keep them private," ESPN said in a statement from the league. "Commissioner Goodell has done one sit-down interview in the last five years with the network airing the Super Bowl. ... Commissioner Goodell has not done an interview with NBC for the four Super Bowls it has aired since he has been commissioner."

Was Costas told that his bosses had heard from the league? "No. That doesn't mean it never happened." After that, it was clear that NBC as he has repeatedly said over the last few months, were no longer a good fit. Their separation was official last month.

Costas, who still believes that a "dollop of commentary in journalism" can "enhance the broadcast," continues to work for the MLB Network and has said he hopes to do a show that is along the lines of his old "Later" program on whatever platform he lands on.

"From my view, the more prominent you are and the more willing you are to be thoughtfully and reasonably critical or aware — not even necessarily critical — acknowledge the elephants in the room, acknowledge the issues, the more you're willing to do that, the most authentic the whole presentation is."

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(From top left, clockwise) Loyola's Marques Townes, Buffalo's Davonta Jordan, Hofstra's Justin Wright-Foreman and Wofford's Chevez Goodwin hope to lead their mid-major programs to the NCAA tournament next month. Last season, Townes helped Loyola advance all the way to the Final Four as a No. 11 seed. The Ramblers were the Cinderella of the tournament.

More mid-majors good for tourney, but unlikely

BY JOHN FEINSTEIN | Special to The Washington Post

Believe it or not, Selection Sunday for the NCAA men's basketball tournament is only five weeks away. The 10-member basketball committee will send out its white puffs of smoke and sagely explain what all their computer printouts told them to do.

This year will provide a fascinating test for the committee. Why? Because there just aren't that many quality teams in the power conferences this season.

I am no bracketologist (God forbid), but as of Friday, I counted 33 teams from the top eight conferences that should be locks or virtual locks to make the field of 68 on the night of March 17 barring a major injury or a collapse. In all likelihood, eight of those teams will receive automatic bids given to each of the 32 conference tournament champions. For the sake of argument, let's say two multi-bid conferences produce a bid-stealer, an automatic-berth champion not among my 33. That means those conferences would receive 27 at-large bids, leaving nine open.

But if the recent past is an indicator, it will be difficult for teams from outside the power conferences to get any of the 36 at-large berths. In men's college basketball there are eight leagues that have regularly received multiple bids: the five football power conferences, plus the Big East, Atlantic 10 and American. Everyone else is likely to receive only its automatic spot in most years.

Last season, one team from outside the top eight leagues — Nevada of the Mountain West — received an at-large bid. Two years ago, Saint Mary's of the West Coast was the only outsider. In 2016, Wichita State, which is now in the AAC, was an at-large out of the Missouri Valley.

That's quite a drop from the seven at-large spots that non-power conferences filled in 2011, the first year the tournament expanded to 68 teams, and the eight handed out the next year.

A number of factors have contributed to the decline. One is that a number of the best programs from smaller conferences, such as Butler, George Mason, VCU and Wichita State, have jumped to more prominent ones.

currently has one team worthy of a bid: Washington. If the Huskies don't win the Pac-12 tournament, it will create a second bid. Should there be more than that? No. Might there be? Of course.

Muir will certainly weigh in on behalf of the Pac-12 and, probably, the Big East, which has two teams that are clearly bid-worthy: Villanova and Marquette. You can bet the league will have more than two teams in the tournament.

The little guys are always asked to play power schools on the road — if they get to play them at all. Some struggle to get into neutral-site holiday events because power schools will demand they not be invited. Think anyone wants to play Vermont (18-5 entering Saturday) out of the America East? Hofstra (20-4) out of the Colonial Athletic?

Not so much.

How about Buffalo (19-3) out of the Mid-American? Are you kidding? West Virginia, Syracuse and St. Bonaventure made the mistake of hosting the Bulls this season and paid the price. Buffalo's résumé is too strong to be left out this season, but good luck to coach Nate Oates with his nonconference schedule next year.

Wofford also managed to schedule a handful of power schools. The Terriers were 20-4 entering Saturday with a 20-point win at South Carolina and losses at Oklahoma, at Mississippi State and at Kansas. They also lost at home to North Carolina because Roy Williams was willing to come and open their new building. The only defeat that wasn't competitive was at Kansas.

Plus, Wofford is in the very underrated Southern Conference. UNC Greensboro has three losses: to Kentucky, LSU and ... Wofford, which beat it by the largest margin. Furman has road wins over Loyola and Villanova but is fourth in the conference behind Wofford, UNCG and East Tennessee State.

Will the committee give the Southern four bids? Of course not. But it should get at least two. So should the MAC, where Buffalo isn't even in first place in the East Division. It entered Saturday's games trailing Bowling Green by a game with Toledo leading in the West.

Hofstra, led by the superb Justin Wright-Foreman, deserves a bid whether it wins the CAA tournament or not.

So does Murray State (the Racers' star sophomore guard, Ja Morant, is considered a lock to be an NBA lottery pick) or Belmont, teams tied for first in the Ohio Valley.

Lipscomb out of the Atlantic Sun entered Saturday at No. 31 in the NET rankings. Will it fill an at-large spot if it doesn't win the conference tournament? Don't bet the ranch.

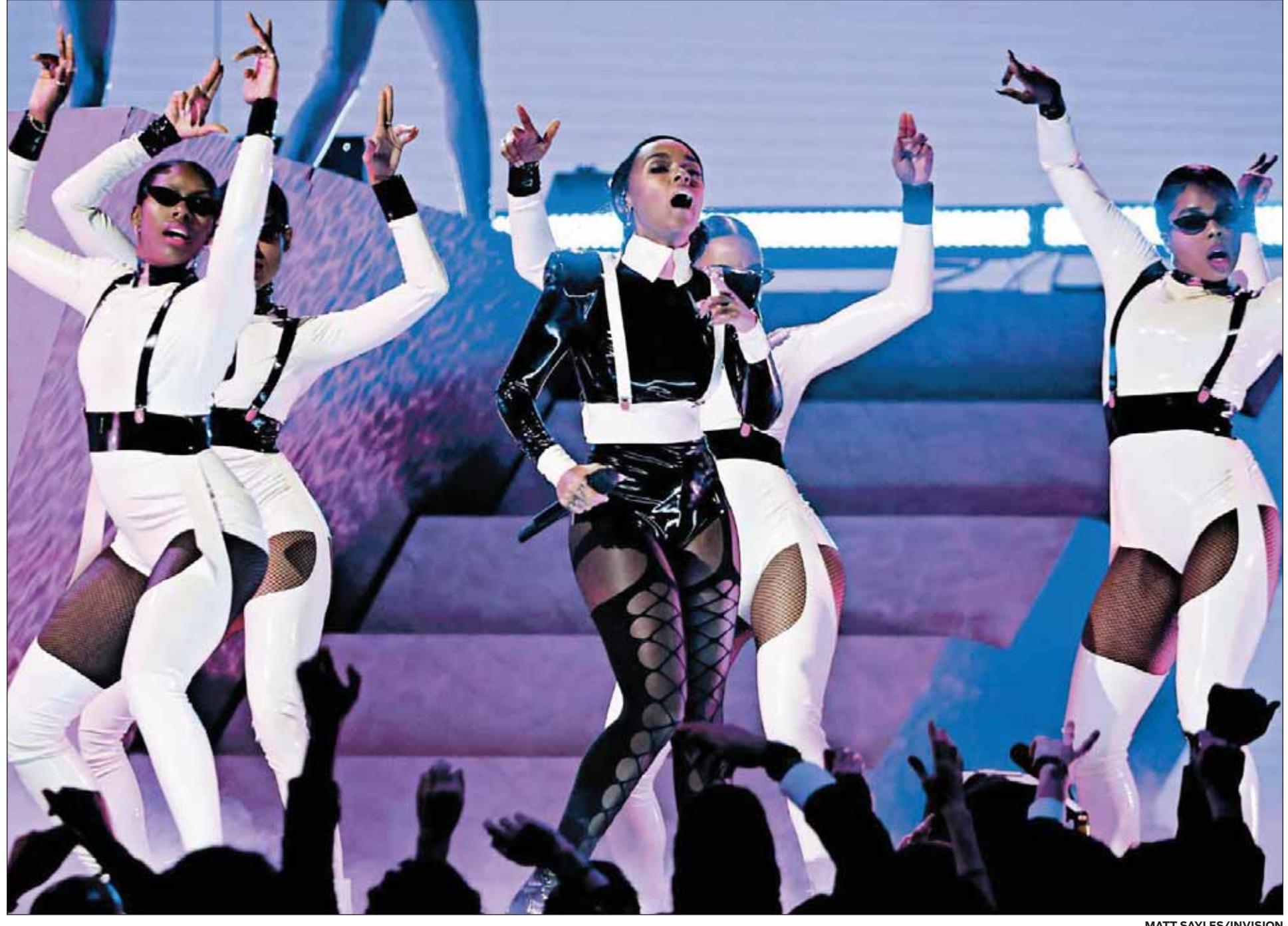
The Ivy League has never received an at-large bid and probably won't get one this year. This year Penn went undefeated in the Big Five. It improved to 2-3 in league play on Friday night. Think the Ivy doesn't have more than one good team?

You only need look back to last year to see what mid-majors can do with a chance. Buffalo would not have received an at-large bid if it hadn't won the MAC tournament. It was a No. 13 seed and upset Arizona in the first round.

Loyola, the best story of March Madness, also would not have gotten a bid if it hadn't won the Missouri Valley tournament. It was a No. 11 seed in the Midwest Region — which it went on to win. UMBC upset an excellent Vermont team to get the America East's automatic bid. We all know what the Retrievers did to top-seeded Virginia.

There are always plenty of non-power schools worthy of at-large consideration. The last three years, the committee has almost completely overlooked them. That should change this year.

But don't bet on it.



MATT SAYLES/INVISION

Janelle Monae, center, performs "Make Me Feel" at the Grammy Awards on Sunday in Los Angeles.

61ST GRAMMY AWARDS

A night of music, fashion

It was a mix of old, new and powerful performances by women (with surprises including Michelle Obama) Sunday at the Grammys. For a look at

the show and some of the best fashion, see Page 3. For Tribune critic Greg Kot's analysis and final results, go to chicagotribune.com/grammys.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cher's Friday night show resonated with empowering messages relevant to today's #MeToo era.

IN PERFORMANCE

A defiant, confident Cher — and those dazzling outfits

BY BOB GENDRON
 Chicago Tribune

On the surface, Cher's concert Friday at a rafters-packed United Center celebrated the art of extravaganza. A multi-tiered stage, a mobile elephant, Cirque du Soleil-inspired acrobatics, an entourage of dancers and a department store's worth of dazzling outfits occasionally threatened to make the music incidental.

But between the lines of the

costume-change breaks and choreographed skits, the singer's 100-minute show resonated with empowering messages relevant to today's #MeToo era. Not for nothing did she begin with a pair of songs — "Woman's World" and "Strong Enough" — steeped in defiance, confidence and determination. Or use her sole turn talking to the crowd at length to tell personal stories about facing age discrimination, sexism and self-doubt.

By now, independence is

second nature to Cher. Well into her sixth decade as a multi-disciplined artist and activist, she long ago conquered practically every entertainment medium on her own terms and seemingly anticipated the ongoing wave of burgeoning female musicians — let alone the trend of spectacle-based performances. She relayed such histories via archival video clips, narratives and song, yet man-

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Pipeline' ★★

A mother is terrified for her son in drama at Victory Gardens

BY CHRIS JONES
 Chicago Tribune

Mother with teenagers — a demographic famous for ignoring its own fragility — invariably worry about them. But African-American mothers, innumerable data points confirm, have particular reason to lie awake, consumed by the fear that their teen might be targeted or provoked, whether by peers or figures of authority. Parents usually know how life can change on a dime; your typical teen, not so much.

This maternal angst is rippling through the American theater with startling force of late. Earlier this season on Broadway, the actress Kerry Washington starred in a play called "American Son," a work about an upscale, mixed-race couple who are terrified to discover that their kid has become

entangled in a police shooting. And now in Chicago at Victory Gardens Theater comes Dominique Morisseau's "Pipeline," wherein a mother, a schoolteacher, played with great vulnerability by Tyla Abercrumbie, is horrified to discover that her son was caught shoving a teacher against the wall and now faces dire consequences.

The boy (Matthew Elam) says he felt singled out by an instructor with malevolent intent during a discussion of the Richard Wright novel "Native Son"; his mom just worries about what will happen next to the boy she loves. The play's title comes from the notion that there's a tacit school-to-jail pipeline for many young African-American males, trapped by society's self-fulfilling low expectations.

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LIZ LAUREN PHOTO

Tyla Abercrumbie and Matthew Elam star in "Pipeline."

CELEBRITIES

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"The Lego Movie 2" fell short of ticket-sales forecasts.

Box office this year far from awesome

"The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part" was easily the top ticket-seller in theaters over the weekend, but the film's \$35 million opening failed to stack up to its expected haul, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The animated sequel had been forecast to draw around \$50 million. Instead, it debuted with half the \$69 million the 2014 original did, despite good reviews. With about a \$100 million budget, Warner Bros.' "The Lego Movie 2" had been pegged as a dependable, star-studded franchise release sure to kick-start a moribund box office. But after record ticket sales last year, Hollywood's 2019 has gotten off to such a bad beginning that the movie's tagline of "Everything is not awesome" is looking more like accurate industry analysis.

Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett and Will Ferrell reprise their voice roles in "The Lego Movie 2," while Tiffany Haddish and Maya Rudolph join the cast. Mike Mitchell directs the movie written by the first film's writer-directors, Phil Lord and Chris Miller.

Oversaturation could be to blame. Since the 2014 original, which grossed \$469 million worldwide, Warner Bros. released two spinoffs: "The Lego Batman Movie" in 2017 and "The Lego Ninjago Movie" later the same year.

— Associated Press

Feb. 11 birthdays: Actor Conrad Janis is 91. Actress Tina Louise is 81. Musician Sergio Mendes is 78. Actress Catherine Hickland is 63. Actress Jennifer Aniston is 50. Singer D'Angelo is 45. Singer Kelly Rowland is 38. Actor Taylor Lautner is 27.

Box office

1. "The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part," \$35 million
2. "What Men Want," \$19 million
3. "Cold Pursuit," \$10.8 million
4. "The Upside," \$7.2 million
5. "Glass," \$6.4 million
6. "The Prodigy," \$6 million
7. "Green Book," \$3.6 million
8. "Aquaman," \$3.3 million
9. "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse," \$3 million
10. "Miss Bala," \$2.7 million

SOURCE: Associated Press
Estimated sales,
Friday-Sunday



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Pelosi gets rock star treatment

treatment: The audience at Clive Davis' white-hot gala included Barbra Streisand, Joni Mitchell and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, but it was House Speaker Nancy Pelosi who got the most requests to take a selfie. Pelosi received rock star treatment Saturday night from attendees at the annual pre-Grammy event, which also featured a stunning tribute to the late Aretha Franklin. Pelosi's sarcastic hand clap and smirk to President Donald Trump at his State of the Union address went viral last week and launched hundreds of memes. So when Davis announced that she was in the audience — Pelosi has attended in the past — she received a standing ovation. A wide range of celebrities attended the event, including Apple's Tim Cook, recent Super Bowl champ Julian Edelman, Dionne Warwick, Kathy Griffin, Angela Bassett, Berry Gordy, Fred Armisen, George Clinton and Darren Criss.



ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Sad, isolated tween needs family love

Dear Amy: My great-niece is 11 years old. I'm very concerned about her. She's lived with her grandparents (my younger brother's family) since she was very young.

She doesn't really have much contact with her own mother or father (who split up years ago). She recently found out that her mother is pregnant by a new boyfriend and is going to have a baby girl.

I asked my brother how my great-niece is handling this and he said, "Not very good." He asked me for any advice. I told him I wasn't sure how to handle this.

My concern is that she stays in her bedroom all the time and seems very withdrawn, depressed and unhappy. She used to be happy and smiling. Any help on how to handle this very difficult situation?

— Worried Uncle

Dear Worried: Now is the time to surround this girl with love and attention. You can probably imagine how conflicted she is feeling — her mother, who abandoned her, is starting another family. This will revive every abandonment sadness she has ever had and will likely introduce more feelings that she can't articulate and doesn't know how to handle.

Her guardians should not let her isolate herself. Privacy is important for young adolescents, but isolation will contribute to her sadness. Everyone in the family should try to talk to her about this. Don't assume she is happy about this news, and don't force her toward a happy narrative ("Hey, you're going to have a little sister!"). Instead ask, "Can you de-

scribe how you are feeling?" If she is inarticulate or silent, don't correct her. Reassure her and enfold her in her family's embrace. Watch a favorite movie together. Put her first. If there are safe ways for her to see her mother, she should be offered this opportunity.

Books will help her to process and tackle some of her feelings. Give her some good, age-appropriate books to dive into (I recommend [amightygirl.com](#) for book suggestions).

Read together. A book for the adults to consider:

"The Worry Workbook for Kids: Helping Children to Overcome Anxiety and the Fear of Uncertainty (An Instant Help Book for Parents & Kids)," by Munuya S. Khanna and Deborah Roth Ledley (2018, Instant Help).

If possible, she should see a counselor experienced in working with children. An independent and supportive adult could coach her in ways to process her very big feelings.

Dear Amy: My parents have been divorced for several years. They refuse to reconcile, and they refuse to let me live with either one of them. Most recently, they also decided against continuing to financially support me. I have been in and out of law school — most recently out — because I flunked out.

What should I do with my life? Should my mother or father take me back in, and/or financially support me so I can live comfortably until I'm back in school or have a high-paying job? Please advise. — Prospective Law Student & Aspiring Actor

Dear Prospective: No, your parents should not provide you with a comfortable living while you get your act together. You're on your own now. And this is what it feels like (hint: often, it feels vexingly uncomfortable).

Law school might not be for you. For one thing, your judgment and critical-thinking skills seem so faulty that you don't seem cut out for a law career (although your gaslighting skills would probably acquit you nicely).

Acting, however, will let you inhabit fantasy and express your creativity. Acting is deep and hard work, however — and opportunities don't present themselves until you are ready to accept them.

It's time for you to experience the terror and joy of making your own way in the world.

Dear Amy: "Experienced with Equine" corrected your use of the phrase "jumping at the bit" by saying the correct phrase is "chomping at the bit."

I beg to differ! The correct phrase is "champing at the bit"! Anyone experienced with equine matters knows this.

— Correcting the Correction

Dear Correcting: I've heard from several hundred people who are engaged and knowledgeable about both horses and language. My understanding is that both spellings are used. Thank you all.

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Trumpeter Warren Vache made a rare Chicago appearance at the Green Mill Jazz Club on Friday night.

IN PERFORMANCE

Vache, Phillips celebrate swing

BY HOWARD REICH

Chicago Tribune

The late, great Chicago jazz deejay Dick Buckley often referred to the "good old good ones," by which he meant classic tunes that never wear out their welcome.

Those good old good ones overflowed Friday night at the Green Mill Jazz Club, where an all-star quintet reveled in techniques developed when these songs still were new. Meaning that chugging swing rhythm and joyous melodic invention — in the pre-bebop manner — were the order of the night.

Not surprising, perhaps, considering who was playing the front line: trumpeter Warren Vache, who hasn't appeared in Chicago in years, and Chicago trombonist Russ Phillips, who's deeply conversant with swing-era methods. Add to this the sleekly elegant guitar playing of Andy Brown, ultra-melodic bass work of Dennis Carroll and imper-

turable backbeats of drummer Phil Gratteau — Chicagoans all — and you had the kind of jazz band that was abundant in this city in the early- and mid-20th century (though not necessarily quite so adept).

From the opening bars of "I Never Knew," it was clear what this evening was going to be about, with Vache and Phillips improvising supremely lyrical, two-voice counterpoint. The two have played together often in other settings through the years, and it wasn't difficult to guess why. For in addition to their love of swing syntax, they complement each other, Vache's bright tone and pinpoint instrumental attacks counterbalanced by Phillips' darkly burnished timbre and gentle, rounded articulation. You could listen to these two duetting for hours without getting bored.

Though it's true that Vache's work was not technically perfect during the first portions of the

opening set, he gained surety as the evening unfolded. Above all, it was the gracefulness of his lines and the profoundly melodic character of his solos that told the story.

By the time the band came to "The One I Love Belongs to Somebody Else" — in a brisk, up-tempo manner — all five players were locked in sync. So while guitarist Brown was inventing long and intricate figures, Vache and Phillips punctuated the proceedings with compact riffs played in unison.

Vache turned in his most compelling work in "Blue and Sentimental," from the Count Basie book. True to the title of the song, the trumpeter rendered his tone gauzier and his approach to the beat more relaxed, making for serenely beautiful phraseology. Phillips went a couple steps further, approaching rhythm languorously and creating about as warm a sound as one might hope to hear from a trombone. To-

gether they argued for the timelessness of straightforward melody-making in jazz. Theirs may not be the most fashionable mode of expression at this late date, but fashions come and go, while the verities of jazz never expire.

Yet just when one got comfortable with this brand of poetry, the musicians shook up everything via a rousing account of "Cotton Tail" to close the first set. By now fully in gear, trumpeter Vache threw off its main theme at quite a clip, finessing its twists and turns without sacrificing tonal beauty. Phillips, too, tossed off the technical challenges while maintaining an unmistakably lyrical core.

Here the musicians reminded us that they could play quite hot when so inclined, the precision of their work matched by its good taste.

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physical violence. And as the central young man's girlfriend, the whip-smart Aurora Real De Asua both lightens things up and doubles down on just how hard it is to wrangle the complex minds of teens.

The physical production is not as sophisticated as some you'll find in town, and something is off (or was off on Saturday, at least) with the show's pacing resulting in an abrupt ending that doesn't feel fully earned or satisfied.

But "Pipeline," a powerful showcase for Abercrombie's formidable acting chops, is a potent, accessible, fair-minded piece of single-plotted writing, staged here by artists demonstrably dedicated to its pedagogy. In many of the scenes with the kids, it bristles with zest and indignant life — which helps make the point that many of the teenagers we lose have the restless minds and exuberant spirits our nation so badly needs.

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LIZ LAUREN PHOTO

Janet Ulrich Brooks portrays a teacher in "Pipeline."

61ST GRAMMY AWARDS

Strong women, rap in music's spotlight

BY MESFIN FEKADU

Associated Press

Women returned at the Grammys on Sunday as female acts won album of the year and best new artist, while rap also triumphed, with Childish Gambino's "This Is America" becoming the first rap-based song to win record and song of the year.

Kacey Musgraves' "Golden Hour" picked up album of the year, and Dua Lipa won best new artist.

"I don't even know what to say," Musgraves said. "I am very thankful. Winning doesn't make my album any better than anybody else in that category."

Gambino was the night's big winner, picking up four honors, including best music video and best rap/sung performance.

Drake surprised the music world when he emerged onstage to accept the best rap song trophy but told the room of musicians that winning awards isn't necessary if you have real fans attending your concerts and singing your songs.

Drake, who rarely attends awards shows, won the honor for his massive hit "God's Plan."

"You've already won if you have people who are singing your songs word for word, if you're a hero in your hometown. Look, if there are people who have regular jobs who are coming out in the rain and the snow, spending their hard-earned money to buy tickets to come to your shows, you don't need this right here. I promise you. You already won," he said at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.

He tried to continue speaking but was cut off as the ceremony suddenly went to a commercial.

Rap has endured a long-time losing streak at the Grammys. The last time a rapper won album of the



MATT SAYLES/INVISION

Cardi B accepts the award for best rap album for "Invasion of Privacy" as Offset kisses her hand at Sunday's Grammy Awards in Los Angeles.

year was in 2004, with Outkast. Only a handful of rappers have won best new artist.

Cardi B made history as the first solo female to win best rap album (Lauryn Hill won as a member of the Fugees at the 1997 Grammys).

She was shaking onstage as she tried to give a thank-you speech with her rapper-husband Offset holding her arm.

"The nerves are so bad. Maybe I need to start smoking weed," she said as the audience laughed. "I just want to say thank you everybody that was involved; I want to thank my daughter."

The Grammys kicked off

with a group of powerful women, including Michelle Obama and Lady Gaga, describing the role of music in their lives — a display that came a year after female voices were somewhat muted at the 2018 ceremony.

"Music has always helped me tell my story," said Obama, who surprised the audience with her appearance. "Whether we like country or rap or rock, music helps us share ourselves. It allows us to hear one another."

Gaga told the crowd: "They said I was weird, that my look, that my choices, that my sound wouldn't work. But music told me not to listen to them."

Musgraves picked up best country album for "Golden Hour," best country solo performance for "Butterflies" and best country song for "Space Cowboy."

"I never dreamed that this record would be met with such love," she said onstage.

She also gave a shout-out to her husband in the audience, saying she wouldn't have been able to make the album if he "didn't open my heart like you did."

Musgraves performed "Rainbow" from "Golden Hour" during the show, and hit the stage for a second time to honor Dolly Parton. Musgraves and Katy Perry joined forces for "Here You

Come Again," later joined by Parton herself. The icon sang a duet version of "Jolene" with Miley Cyrus, who often covers the classic song. But the country music icon truly shined when she sang "Red Shoes," with country foursome Little Big Town providing background vocals.

Yolanda Adams, Fantasia and Andra Day teamed up for stirring performance of "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman" in honor of Aretha Franklin, who died last year.

Diana Ross earned a standing ovation when she emerged onstage in a bright red dress to perform "Reach Out and Touch (Somebody's Hand)" and

"The Best Years of My Life." She celebrated her 75th birthday early with the performance, saying afterward, "Happy birthday to me!" Her birthday is March 26.

R&B singer H.E.R., who won best R&B performance for "Best Part" with Daniel Caesar, stunned as she played her guitar and sang.

Chloe x Halle impressed when they sang Donny Hathaway and Roberta Flack's "Where Is the Love." Janelle Monae grooved onstage during "Make Me Feel" backed by dancers. Post Malone performed with Red Hot Chili Peppers, and Cardi B grinded onstage during her latest single, "Money."

Stars shine red-hot at Grammys

BY DAVID SYREK | Chicago Tribune

From shocking to stunning, the Grammys are red carpet season's most anticipated runway for edgy fashion, and with style powerhouses Janelle Monae, Cardi B and Lady Gaga in attendance, Sunday night's red carpet was just as attention-grabbing as ever.

The music industry's biggest stars brought out their A-game style for the 61st annual Grammys held at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.

The night's biggest trends were high-drama details — most notably Giuliana Rancic in Tom Ford's chic column dress with a see-through panel running the entire length — but singer Bebe Rexha's red confection of a gown and host Alicia Keys — also in hot red — made show-stopping statements. Here are the most head-turning looks from the Grammys red carpet.



VALERIE MACON/GETTY-AFP
Bebe Rexha was stunning in Monsoori's red Cinderella gown.



JON KOPALOFF/GETTY
Giuliana Rancic made a statement in a black Tom Ford dress with sheer details.



NEILSON BARNARD/GETTY FOR THE RECORDING ACADEMY
Cardi B emerges from her oyster-shell-like dress on the red carpet.



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION
Janelle Monae shuts down the red carpet in a stunning feathered white dress with burgundy velvet lining.



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION
Kacey Musgraves pays tribute to her album cover in a tulle Valentino Couture gown.



VALERIE MACON/GETTY-AFP
Maren Morris in an ethereal Galia Lahav Couture flower print gown.



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION
Host Alicia Keys hit the red carpet in a super-chic, red-hot gown.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

From strutting with Roman-themed warriors to traveling back to the Summer of Love, Cher revisited the different periods that launched several of her hits during Friday's show.

Cher

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aged to mostly avoid stale nostalgia.

Balancing a witty sense of humor with diva glamour, Cher paid homage to creative contemporaries and revisited the different periods that launched several of her hits. And whether strutting amidst a throng of Roman-themed warriors, traveling back to the Summer of Love in glitter-adorned bell-bottoms or overseeing a burlesque cabaret, she used pop as a means to dream, imagine and triumph. An up-tempo cover of ABBA's "Waterloo" buzzed with possibility on the strength of her voice. "The Beat Goes On," appointed with exotic French ye-ye-style

rhythms, connected the past to the present.

At times, Cher turned suggestion into declaration. A visual highlight reel of her acting roles emphasized film dialogues and scenes that depicted her in control or moving on from a toxic situation — or man. In another prerecorded segue, she spoke about how her childhood attraction to Elvis Presley related not only to his music, but the fact he followed his own muse. Cher carried on such tradition while possessing an awareness that witnessed her mock her own vanity, retirement and mistakes.

For all the fancy wigs and elaborate apparel, Cher never appeared overshadowed. However, a video-based duet with her deceased ex-husband/partner Sonny Bono on "I



Openers Nile Rodgers & Chic delivered the funk and brought the audience to its feet.

Got You Babe" came across as canned and mawkish. A few of the interruptions necessitated by wardrobe changes also stifled momentum and felt unnecessary.

Any missteps melted away once the 72-year-old singer emerged toward the end of the set in a revealing body-stockings/bikini ensemble similar to the one she wore in the famous video for her 1989 smash "If I Could Turn Back Time." Far from playing to any sexualized gaze or

fantasy, Cher pulled off the bold look and upended age-themed conventions out of a desire to be herself and embrace autonomy — ideas she successfully shared with every woman in earshot.

If Cher brought the pageantry, openers Nile Rodgers & Chic delivered the funk. Exuding timeless urban cool in a beret, vibrant purple/pink slacks and sparkling black jacket, the legendary producer/singer/guitarist led his sharp band on a mini-tour of R&B, soul and disco heritage. Few warm-up acts manage to get an arena audience on its feet. Rodgers and company had people dancing in the aisles. "Good Times," indeed.

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WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Matt Czuchry

"The Resident" (7 p.m., FOX): Conrad (Matt Czuchry) plans to take Nic (Emily VanCamp) out for a romantic Valentine's Day evening, but when those plans are derailed, he gives the reservation away to someone who could really use it in the new episode "Stupid Things in the Name of Sex." Meanwhile, Devon and Mina (Manish Dayal, Shanette Renée Wilson) try to figure out why an apparently healthy neighbor died.

"Scotty and the Secret History of Hollywood" (8 p.m., Starz): Somewhat like the man at its center, Matt Tyrnauer's 2017 documentary has a little something for everyone. Much of its content relates to the Golden Age of Hollywood, but instead of glamour and nostalgia, the film focuses primarily on Scotty Bowers, a little-known "celebrity-adjacent" Tinseltown civilian who made a comfortable living as a procurer to the stars.

"I Am the Night" (8 p.m., 9:05 p.m., TNT): Jay (Chris Pine) starts to wonder how close he may be getting to the truth when he gets an unexpected visit from Billis (Yul Vazquez) and the Los Angeles Police Department in the new episode "Dark Flower." Elsewhere, Corinna (Connie Nielsen) has some revelations for Fauna (India Eisley), but the latter also still harbors the nagging suspicion that Corinna is hiding Tamar, Fauna's mother. Jefferson Mays also stars.

"American Dad" (9 p.m., TBS): After several false starts and tasks left abandoned, Francine (voice of Wendy Schaal) discovers the rest of her family is starting to dismiss her as a quitter as this animated comedy returns with a new episode called "One-Woman Swole." Casting about for a way to prove them wrong, she settles on an improbable new hobby — bodybuilding — and proves something of a phenom.

"Studio 54" (9:01 p.m., 1:04 a.m., AE): During the 1970s, Ian Schrager and Steve Rubell's famous New York club redefined what such nightspots could be, offering a glitzy haven to celebrities and other flashy folks who wanted to mingle with one another apart from the hoi polloi and, when the moment was right, exchange designer drugs.

"Our Twinsane Wedding" (9:01 p.m., 1:01 a.m., TLC): This new one-hour special — which looks suspiciously like the pilot for an eventual series — follows identical twin sisters Brittany and Briana Deane, who not only look alike but also live and work together. Now, they're preparing to marry identical twin brothers Joshua and Jeremy Salyers, after which all four of them plan to live and raise their families together.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comic Nikki Glaser.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Writer Stephen Merchant; Metro Boomin and Gunna perform.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): TV host John Oliver; BLACKPINK performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

*Subject to change

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MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 11

		MOVIES						
	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	The Neighborhood (N)	Man With a Plan (N) C	Big Brother: Celebrity Edition (N) C HD		Bull: "Leave It All Behind." (N) C HD		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	America's Got Talent: "The Champions Finals." (N) C HD				Manifest: "Hard Landing." (N) C HD		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	The Bachelor: "2306." (N) C HD				The Good Doctor: "Tough Titmouse." C HD		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	blackish C HD	blackish: "Churched."	Last Man Standing C	Last Man Standing C	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) C HD		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice C	Alice C	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson C		3's Comp.
	This TV 9.3	Patty Hearst (R, '88) ★★	Natasha Richardson. C	Gang Related (R, '97) ★★ C ♦		Antiques Roadshow: "Ca' d'Zan." (N) C		Independent Lens (N) ♦
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Antiques Roadshow: "Ca' d'Zan." (N) C		Antiques Roadshow: "Miami Beach." C		
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl		Seinfeld C
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle WKRP Cinci.	Hogan Hero Hogan Hero	C. Burnett			
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek: "Miri." C	Star Trek: Next	Star Trek: Deep Space 9				Star Trek ♦
	Bounce 26.5	Scandal C	Last Call	In the Cut	A Thousand Words (PG-13, '12) ★♦			
	FOX 32	The Resident (N) C HD		The Passage (N) C HD		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family C
	Ion 38	Criminal Minds C	Criminal Minds: "Scream."	Criminal Minds C				Criminal ♦
	TeleM 44	• Exatlón EE. UU. (N)	Betty in NY (N) C	El barón (N) C				Chicago (N)
	CW 50	Arrow (N) C HD	Black Lightning (N) C	Law Order: CI				Chicago ♦
	UniMas 60	Tres Milagros C	Atrapada C	Rosario Tijeras C				Tiro de ♦
	WJYS 62	J. Savelle	K. Hagin	Joyce Meyer Robison	Blakeman	Wonderen		Monument
	Univ 66	Jesús		Mi marido tiene familia	Amar a muerte			Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Michael Jackson: The Life of an Icon (NR, '11) C				(9:01) Studio 54 (NR, '18) ★★★ C ♦		
	AMC	• (5) Jurassic Park ★★★ C	Planet Earth: Dynasties C			(9:26) Jurassic Park ♦		
	ANIM	The Last Alaskans C	The Last Alaskans C	The Last Alaskans C		Last Alask ♦		
	BBCA	Apocalypso (R, '06) ★★★ Rudy Youngblood, Raoul Trujillo. C				Apocalyp ♦		
	BET	• A Madea Christmas *	American Soul			(9:03) American Soul		Martin C ♦
	BIGTEN	• Wm. Basketball (N)	BTN Wrestling in 60 (N)	BTN Live C		The Journey		
	BRAVO	Vanderpump Rules C	Vanderpump Rules (N)	Vanderpumped (N) C		Watch (N)		
	CLTV	News at 7 News (N)	News at 8 News (N)	SportsFeed C		Politics		
	CNN	American Greed C	American Greed C	American Greed: Dead		Greed ♦		
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦		
	COM	The Office The Office	The Office The Office	The Office The Office		Daily (N) ♦		
	DISC	Street Outlaws: Full	Street Outlaws: "Attitude." (N) C			Chopper ♦		
	DISN	Andi Mack Sydney-Max Coop	Bazaarvark Bunk'd C	Bunk'd C		Raven		
	E!	Just Go With It (PG-13, '11) ★★ Adam Sandler, Jennifer Aniston. C	Dating (N)			Busy (N)		
	ESPN	• College Basketball (N)	College Basketball: Kansas at TCU. (N) (Live)			SportCtr (N)		
	ESPN2	• Wm. Basketball (N)	College Basketball: Oklahoma at Baylor. (N) (Live)			30 for 30 ♦		
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) C	The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News		
	FOOD	Kids Baking (N)	Kids Baking (N)	Winner Cake All (N) C		Chopped ♦		
	FREE	• (6) Big Daddy ('99) * C	Role Models (R, '08) ★★★ Seann William Scott. (SAP)	700 Club ♦				
	FX	The Amazing Spider-Man (PG-13, '12) ★★★ Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone. C				Spider 2 ♦		
	HALL	Love at First Glance (NR, '17) Amy Smart. C				Appetite for Love (NR, '16) C ♦		
	HGTV	Hunters (N) Hunters	Home Town (N) C	Hunters (N) Hunt Int'l (N)		Hunters		
	HIST	American Pickers	American Pickers (N)	(9:03) Pawn Stars (N)		Pawn ♦		
	HLN	Forensic Forensic	Forensic Forensic	Forensic Forensic		Forensic		
	IFC	Two Men Two Men	Two Men Two Men	Two Men Two Men		Two Men		
	LIFE	Me Before You (PG-13, '16) ★★ Emilia Clarke, Sam Claflin. C				(9:33) Steel Magnolias ♦		
	MSNBC	All in With (N)	Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)		11th Hour ♦		
	MTV	Teen Mom 2 C	Teen Mom 2 (N) C	Lindsay Lohan Beach (N)		Teen Mom ♦		
	NBCSCH	NBA Basketball: Milwaukee Bucks at Chicago Bulls. (N) (Live)		Postgame		Bulls (N)		
	NICK	SpongeBob SpongeBob	Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG, '07) ★★ Jason Lee. C			Friends C		
	Ovation	• (6:30) Forever Young (PG, '92) ★★★ Mel Gibson.	Something New (PG-13, '06) ★★★					
	OWN	Dateline on OWN C	20/20 on OWN C	Deadline: Crime		Dateline ♦		
	OXY	Killer Couples C	Killer Couples (N) C	Deadly Cults		Seduced ♦		
	PARMT	Cops C Cops C	Cops C Cops C	Cops (N) C Cops C		Cops C		
	SYFY	Limitless (PG-13, '11) ★★ Bradley Cooper. C		Futurama Futurama		Futurama		
	TBS	Family Guy Family Guy	Family Guy Family Guy	Family Guy		American (N) Amer. Dad Conan (N)		
	TCM	Naughty Marietta (G, '35) ★★★ Jeanette MacDonald.				San Francisco (NR, '36) ★★★ C ♦		
	TLC	Counting On (N)	Counting On (Season Premiere) (N)	Our Twinsane (N)		People ♦		
	TLN	Supernatural Humanit	Faith Chi Pastor Greg	Robison Billy Graham		Humanit ♦		
	TNT	• (5:30) Suicide Squad ★★ I Am the Night (N)	(9:05) I Am the Night			Bat v Sup ♦		
	TOON	Adventure Adventure	Amer. Dad Amer. Dad	Burgers Burgers		Family Guy		
	TRAV	America Unearthed C		Lost Gold (N) C		Destinati ♦		
	TVL	Raymond Raymond	Raymond Raymond	Two Men Two Men		King		
	USA	WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live) C				Mod Fam ♦		
	VH1	Love & Hip Hop (N) C	Love & Hip Hop Miami (N)	Cartel Crew (N) C		Hip Hop ♦		
	WE	Criminal Minds: "Lucky."	Criminal Minds C	Criminal Minds C		Criminal ♦		
	WGN America	M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C	M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C	M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C		M*A*S*H C M*A*S*H C		
	HBO	Collateral (R, '04) ★★★ Tom Cruise. C		True Detective C		Perfect Ge ♦		
	HBO2	Real Time With Bill Maher	REAL Sports Gumbel	Won't You Be My Neighbor? (18) ★★★				
	MAX	Strike Back: Revolution	(7:50) Kiss of Death (R, '95) ★★★	(9:35) Legend ('15) ★★★				
	SHO	Shameless: "Los Diablos!"	SMILF C Black Mon	Shameless: "Los Diablos!" Black Mon				
	STARZ	(7:03) Counterpart C	Scotty and the Secret History	(9:41) Counterpart C ♦				
	STZENC	• (6:14) Life (R, '17) **	28 Days Later (R, '02) ★★★ Cillian Murphy. C			28 Weeks ♦		

\$1 million for Year of Chicago Theatre

BY CHRIS JONES
Chicago Tribune

City of Chicago is officially announcing Monday that \$1 million has been secured in new funding to support the 2019 Year of Chicago Theatre initiative that officially begins this week, in tandem with the annual promotional event known as Chicago Theatre Week.

According to the Office of the Mayor, new dedicated grants received from BMO Harris Bank, Bayless Family Foundation, the Chicago Community Trust, Illinois Arts Council Agency, the Joyce Foundation, Lloyd A. Fry Foundation, Millennium Park Foundation, Prince Charitable Trusts and Richard H. Driehaus Foundation will support "inclusion and equity initiatives, additional grants to theaters, performances and special events for the public, and a

marketing campaign that leverages a new brand for Chicago theatre."

In an interview, cultural commissioner Mark Kelly said that he hoped the new initiative would help the city's diverse array of theaters "function as a unified sector," presumably not unlike such other leisure-focused businesses as hotels, restaurants and tourist attractions.

Indeed, the bulk of that new funding — some \$750,000 — will be available as new grants to individual theater companies.

Stated goals include increasing the geographic range of the city's theater sector beyond its traditional homes downtown and on the city's North Side.

The new marketing initiative, created in collaboration with the tourism agency Choose Chicago, already has resulted in unusual international coverage for Chicago theater.

Chris Jones is a Tribune critic.

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Enjoy the
Theater
Tonight

Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Feb. 11): Collaborate with friends for a rich reward this year. Carefully plan and coordinate. Fresh energy floods your work this summer, leading to a reflective reorientation phase. Winter spiritual or personal insights inspire new physical and health practices. Strengthen connections with people you love, respect and admire.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. You're earning your pay. A balanced bank account is only part of the story. Make an important and potentially lucrative connection.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 9. You're looking especially good. Your status is rising; the good work you've been doing is getting attention. Meditate on what you'd like to create.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 6. In quiet moments, inspiration hits. Create plans and visions. The artistry is in the details. Craft your steps and sequences. Get help from kindred spirits.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Win through teamwork. Listen with your heart. Make sure everyone's needs get met. Monitor social media and local news. Arrange connections ahead of time.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. A professional test or challenge has your attention. Someone's saying nice things about your work. Collaborate with an expert for best results. Learn from the competition.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Grow through higher education, travel and research. Explore and discover. Pursue a dream or possibility. Pick up the pace and move. Follow a passion.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Use what you're learning to cut costs and reduce waste. There's growth potential for shared accounts. Collaborate for common gain.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Work closely with your partner. Exchange promises and monitor progress. Another appreciates your skills. Express your own appreciations.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Pick up the pace! Physical action can move at a higher velocity. Prioritize your own health and vitality. Exercise feeds your heart, mind, body and spirit.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Go for love. Enjoy the company of someone you admire and respect. Creativity blooms with arts, games and romance. Indulge a passion.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Home seduces you into cozy comfort. Conserve resources. Cook simple fare with family and friends. Beautify your environment with candles, flowers or soft lighting.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Write your story. Inspiration flickers across your keyboard. Share your message with your networks. Communication and creativity blossom.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn**Bliss** By Harry Bliss**Bridge**

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ AJ 4 3 2 ♠ K Q J 2 ♦ 9 5 ♣ K 4

South **West** **North** **East**

1♠	2♦	2♣	3♦
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What call would you make?

A.1—Bid 3H. We think this hand is just barely worth a game try, and 3H is the only available try. It is a general try, not specific to hearts.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ A J 9 6 ♠ K J 9 4 ♦ A ♣ 10 5 4 2

North **East** **South** **West**

1♦	1♠	Dbl*	Pass
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2♣ Pass ?

***Negative**

What call would you make?

A.2—You tried to find a heart fit and didn't find one. You were never looking for a club fit, so don't get side-tracked. Bid 3NT.

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ 9 7 3 2 ♠ A ♦ J 10 6 5 2 ♣ K 6 4

Partner opens 1H and right-hand opponent makes a takeout double. What call would you make?

A.3—You usually ignore a takeout double and make the same bid you would have made without the double. Bid 1S.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ Q 6 ♠ K Q J 7 5 4 ♦ 9 4 ♣ A 7 3

South **West** **North** **East**

1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
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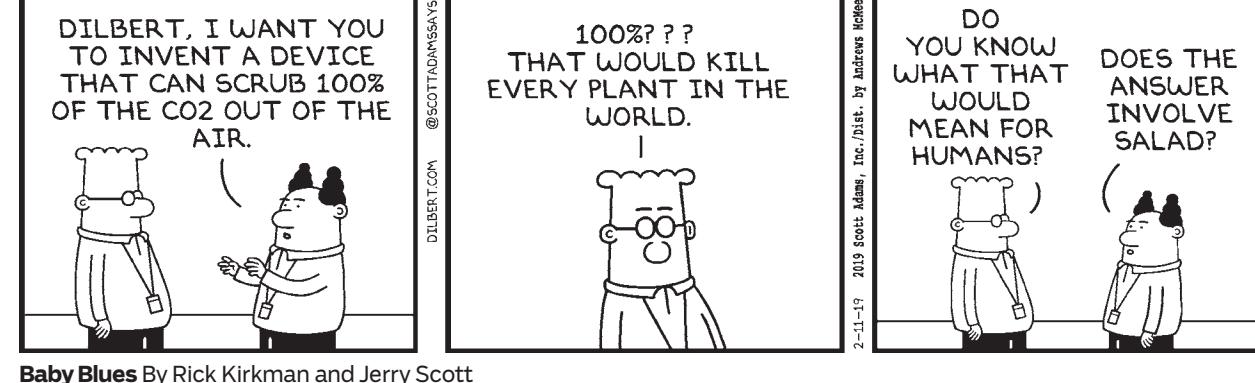
2♥	Pass	3♣	Pass
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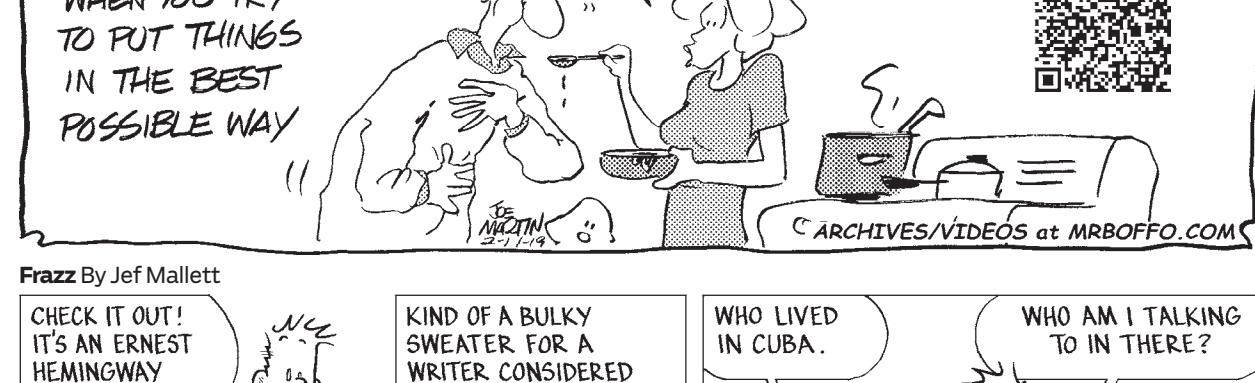
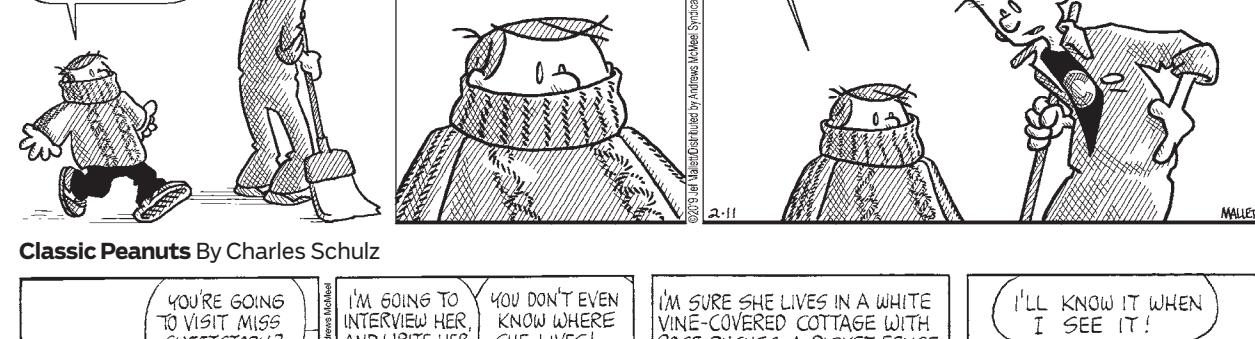
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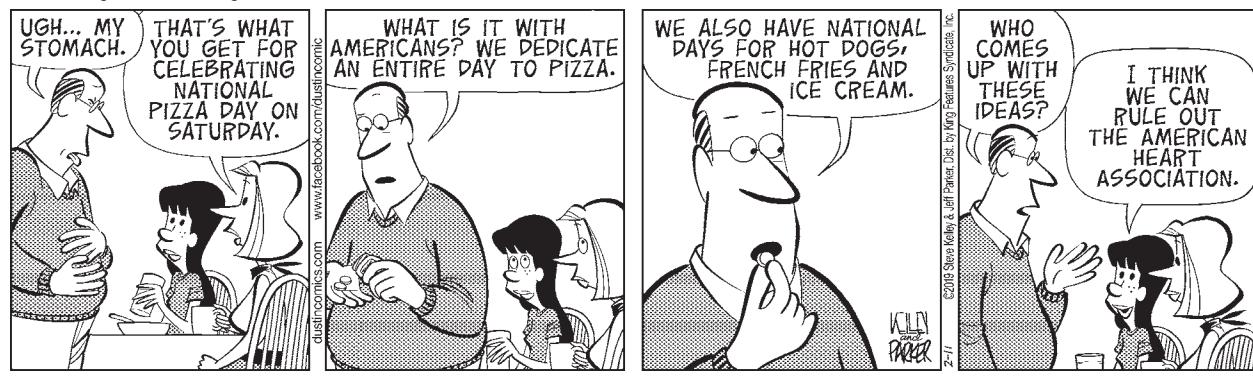
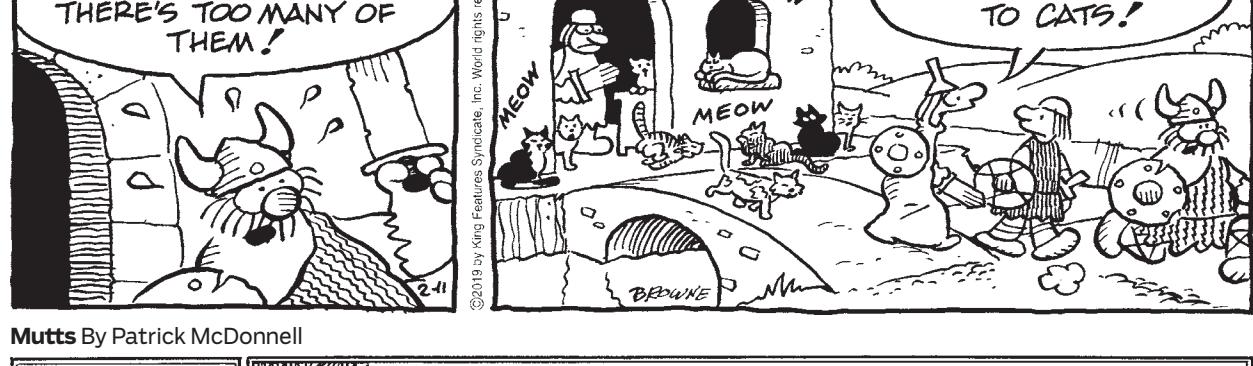
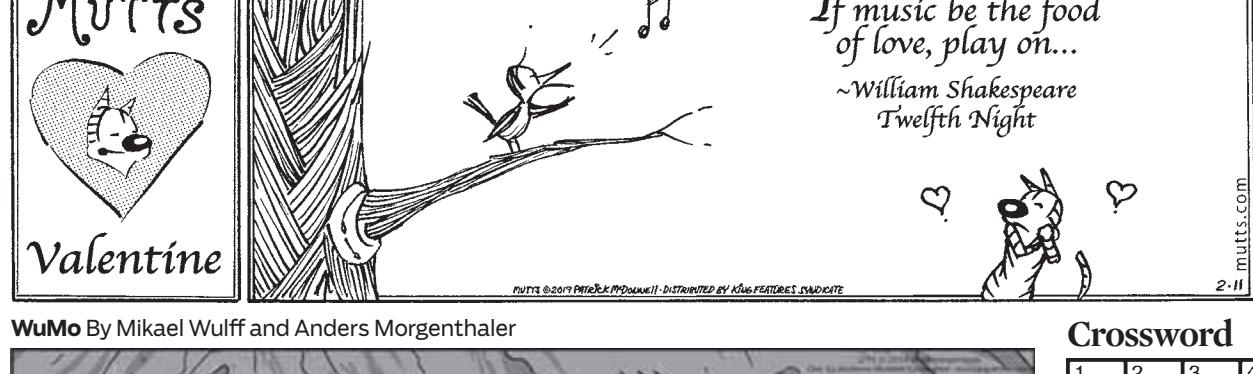
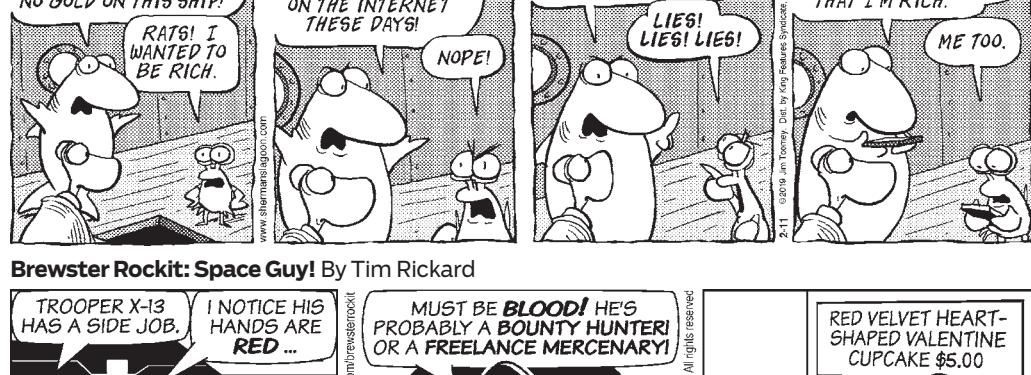
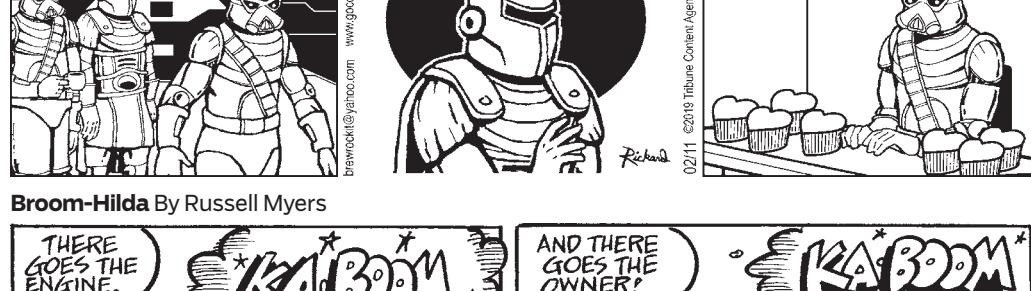
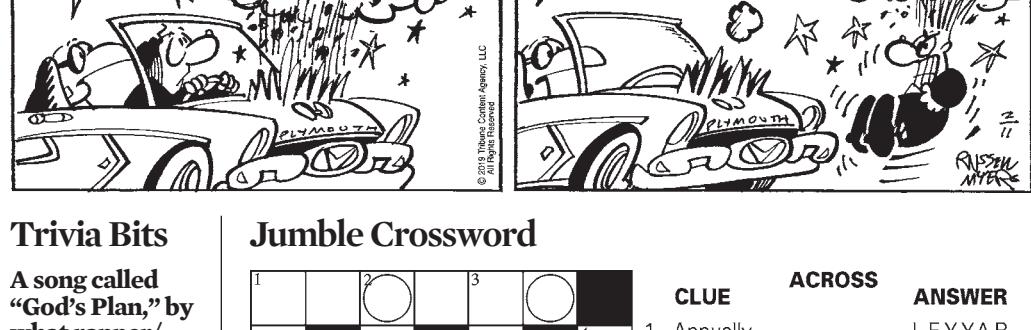
A.4—Partner is advertising weakness in spades, so don't bid no trump with such a weak spade holding. Bid 3H.

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert By Scott Adams**Baby Blues** By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman (Zits is on vacation until February 18. Please enjoy this strip from 2014.)

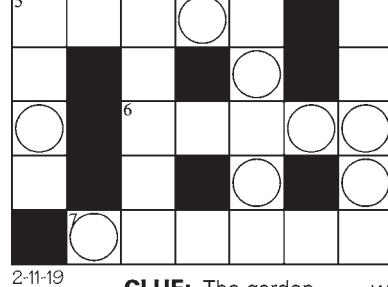
**Mr. Boffo** By Joe Martin**Frazz** By Jef Mallett**Classic Peanuts** By Charles Schulz**Pickles** By Brian Crane**Dick Tracy** By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis**Animal Crackers** By Mike Olsun**Prickly City** By Scott Stantis

Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker**For Better or for Worse** By Lynn Johnston**Blondie** By Dean Young and John Marshall**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne**Mutts** By Patrick McDonnell**WuMo** By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler**Sherman's Lagoon** By Jim Toomey**Brewster Rockit: Space Guy!** By Tim Rickard**Broom-Hilda** By Russell Myers**Trivia Bits**

A song called "God's Plan," by what rapper/singer, spent 11 weeks at No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 singles chart in 2018?

- A) Camila Cabello
 - B) Drake
 - C) Childish Gambino
 - D) Kanye West
- Saturday's answer: The USS Nutilus, built in Connecticut, was the world's first nuclear-powered submarine.

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Jumble Crossword

CLUE: The garden _____ was first bred in Brittany, France, in the 1750s.

BONUS

ANSWER:

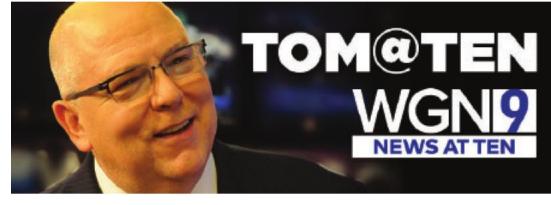
How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWER:

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MONDAY, FEB. 11

NORMAL HIGH: 34°

NORMAL LOW: 19°

RECORD HIGH: 70° (1999)

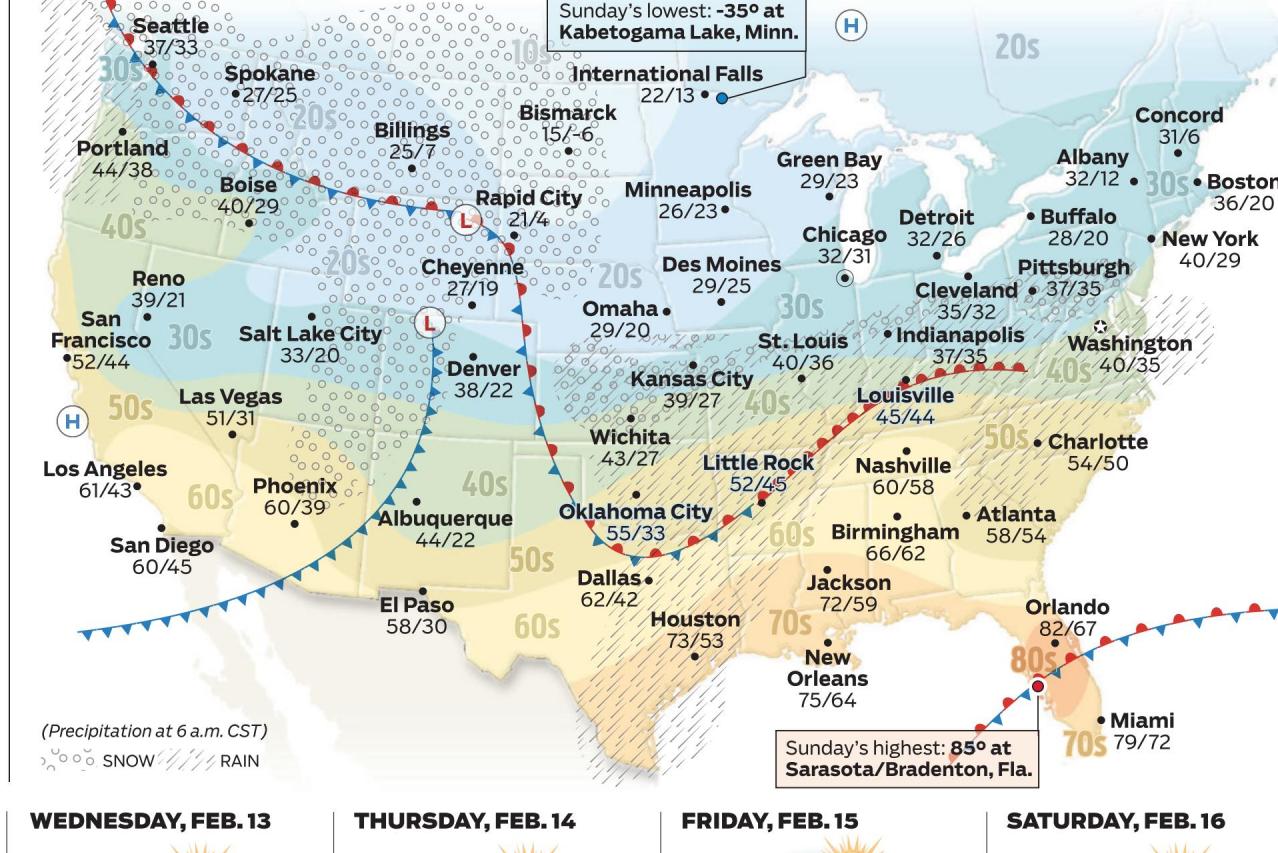
RECORD LOW: -14° (1885)

Coming week to bring snow, rain, ice and wind

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH	LOW
32	31

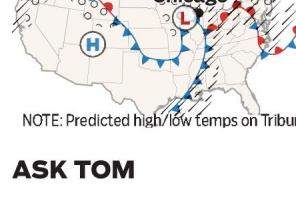
■ Winter weather advisory in effect Monday night for areas along and north of I-88.
■ Some sun possible early; clouds thicken through the day. Daybreak temps hover in the mid-upper 20s.
■ East winds 15-20 mph.
■ Afternoon temps slowly climb into the low 30s.
■ Precipitation spreads from S-N across the area, mainly after the evening rush. Snow north, mixes with sleet/freezing rain overnight. Mix south becomes mainly rain, mixed at times with sleet.
■ Snow/ice accumulations 4-6 inches near the Wis. line, to less than an inch south of the city.

NATIONAL FORECAST


TUESDAY, FEB. 12

HIGH	LOW
33	18

Mix N, rain/drizzle S changes to snow/flurries area-wide by afternoon. Daytime snowfall 1-3 inches N, to a dusting S. Turning windy and colder. Temps in the low-mid 30s fall to the 20s.



WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13

HIGH	LOW
30	29

High pressure brings partial sun and diminishing winds. Temps stay below normal, peaking near 30 degrees. NW winds 10-20 mph diminish to light SW. Clouds thicken at night keeping temps milder.



THURSDAY, FEB. 14

HIGH	LOW
40	36

Peaks of sun possible early, then clouds thicken. Rain develops during the evening. Rain may change to snow NW late. Temps hover near 40 degrees, but trend colder overnight. SE winds 10-15 mph.



FRIDAY, FEB. 15

HIGH	LOW
36	12

Rain changes to snow from NW-SE across the entire area. Several inches accumulation possible by evening. Temps mainly in the 30s early, drop to the low 20s. NE winds become N 25-35 mph and gusty.



SATURDAY, FEB. 16

HIGH	LOW
22	2

Colder, under partly sunny skies. Blustery NW winds early, diminish through the day. Temps struggle to reach the low 20s. Clearing, quite cold at night. Lows 5 below suburbs-5 above city.



The weather pattern that brought inclement conditions to the region last week continues to generate storm systems. Around 5 inches of snow fell in the Des Moines, Iowa, area as a weak disturbance rippled across the Midwest on Sunday. Amounts tapered to about an inch across parts of Chicago. Two more storms are due to impact our region this week. These systems promise to be more potent than their predecessor, prompting a new round of winter weather watches and advisories for Monday night and Tuesday. Heavy snow is expected just to our north, with a combination of snow, sleet and rain on tap for Chicago. Yet another low pressure is expected to organize over the Plains on Thursday. Some computer models are favoring a rain-changing-to-snow scenario, with heavy snow across Chicagoland on Friday.

SUNDAY, FEB. 17

HIGH	LOW
20	-3

Mostly sunny, but continued cold. Afternoon temps climb to around 20 degrees. NW winds 15-20 mph diminish late. Clear and calm overnight. Temperatures dip below zero most areas.


ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
Has Chicago ever recorded the nation's highest or lowest temperature? How about steady temperatures for 24 hours?
— Ricardo Mauzer, Huntley

Dear Ricardo,
For the national extremes, Chicago has come close, but no cigar. Other cities invariably register more extreme values. On March 21, 2012, when Chicago logged an unseasonable record high of 87, it was hotter in Florida, reaching 91 at Punta Gorda. Even under the most extreme weather, Chicago doesn't register as hottest or coldest in the Midwest. When the city shivered through its all-time low of minus 27 on Jan. 20, 1985, it was minus 31 in Kenosha. A day of steady temperatures has occurred just once here — on Feb. 6, 1942, with a high and low of 35. That 35-degree reading persisted for 31 hours, from 9 p.m. Feb. 5 to 3 a.m. Feb. 7.

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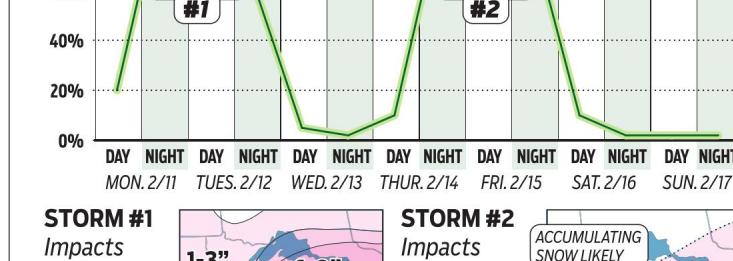
WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koerner, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Unsettled week ahead; weather to turn colder by Friday

ACTIVE PATTERN TO BRING TWO STORM SYSTEM THIS WEEK

Expected timing of precipitation



STORM #1
Impacts the region late Monday to early Wednesday
Mix to mainly rain in Chicago

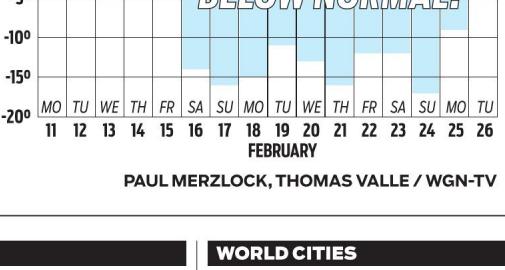
STORM #2
Impacts the Midwest and Great Lakes late Thursday/Friday night
Heavy snow potential Friday

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

PRECIPITATION FORECAST FOR MONDAY THROUGH SUNDAY

CHICAGO HIGH TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK

Pattern looking colder, snowier mid-late February



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CHICAGO DIGEST
SUNDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	28	23	Midway	29	23
Gary	30	23	O'Hare	28	22
Kankakee	29	24	Romeoville	28	22
Lakefront	29	23	Valparaiso	31	22
Lansing	29	23	Waukegan	29	24

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Sun. (through 4 p.m.)	0.02"	0.06"
February to date	1.12"	0.53"
Year to date	3.08"	2.26"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sun. (through 4 p.m.)	0.6"	0.7"
Season to date	33.8"	33.3"
Normal to date	23.9"	25.1"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY
Wind E-SE 15-20 kts. N-NW 20-30 kts.	
Waves 3-5 feet	5-7 feet

Sun. shore/crib water temps 34°/32°

U.S. SNOW COVER

FEB. 10	2019	2018
Area covered by snow	42.1%	35.6%
Average snow depth	5.2"	4.3"

TRACKING THE COLD

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	26 days	24 days
Subzero lows	6 days	6 days

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Sunday's reading Moderate

Monday's forecast Good

Critical pollutant Particulates

MONDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun 6:52 a.m. 5:19 p.m.

Moon 10:21 a.m. 12:01 a.m.


MONDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET

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