



## 'NEVER HERE IN AURORA': GUNMAN KILLS 5 IN PLANT



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Police officers armed with rifles stage near a commercial building where an active shooter was reported in the 600 block of Archer Avenue in Aurora on Friday.

### Suspect killed in shootout; 5 law enforcement officers also are struck by gunfire

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A gunman opened fire inside an Aurora manufacturing plant Friday afternoon, killing five people and wounding five police officers who had responded to the scene before he was killed in a shootout, police said.

The shooting stunned Aurora — Illinois' second largest city — and reverberated throughout the state and nation, becoming the latest mass shooting in the United States.

Bob Gonzalez was having a conversation with a client when he saw a few police cars fly past, bound for the nearby Henry Pratt

Co. He thought at first they were responding to a fire, but the cars just kept coming — Aurora police, state police, even a vehicle from the Department of Homeland Security.

He soon realized the emergency wasn't a fire. It was a mass shooting in an industrial park a few hundred feet from his office.

"I've seen it on the news happening someplace else, but never here in Aurora," said Gonzalez, an insurance agent who also serves as the board president of West Aurora School District 129.

A few hours later, police gave the somber toll: Five people were killed and five police officers were wounded by a gunman who

worked at Henry Pratt, a manufacturer of industrial valves. A sixth officer suffered a knee injury. It wasn't clear how he was injured, but he wasn't shot.

The gunman, 45-year-old Gary Martin, was also killed in the shootout, authorities said. The names of his victims were not released as of Friday evening.

Authorities did not immediately offer a motive, but some reports said Martin had recently lost his job at the plant.

Aurora Police Chief Kristen Ziman said the department received multiple calls at 1:24 p.m. about a shooting at the company,

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Workers are escorted out of a manufacturing facility where a gunman fatally shot five co-workers and injured five police officers Friday.

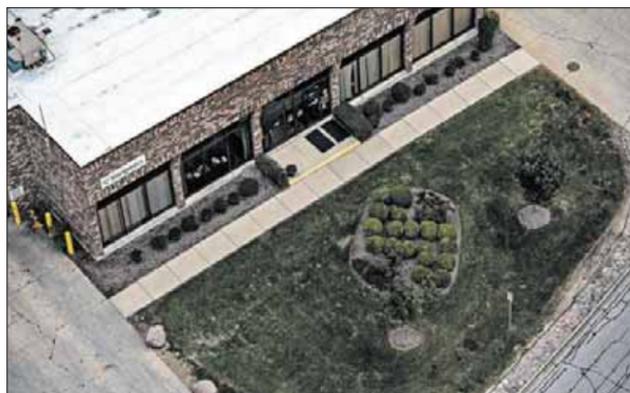
## Pritzker shuts down Sterigenics

Governor alarmed by cancer-causing pollution at Willowbrook plant

**BY MICHAEL HAWTHORNE**  
Chicago Tribune

Gov. J.B. Pritzker's administration on Friday banned Sterigenics from using ethylene oxide at its Willowbrook sterilization plant, responding to an intense public outcry about toxic air pollution that left surrounding neighborhoods with some of the highest cancer risks in the nation.

Pritzker, the state's new Democratic governor, ordered the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to step in a week after the Trump administration told resi-



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Sterigenics, which has a sterilization plant in Willowbrook, did not immediately respond on Friday to the Illinois EPA order.

dents it still didn't have enough evidence to take action against the Oak Brook-based company, which is owned in part by a private equity fund co-founded by former Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner.

Invoking rarely used authority in state law, Illinois EPA Director John Kim prohibited Sterigenics

from pumping ethylene oxide gas into massive chambers used to sterilize medical equipment, pharmaceutical drugs, spices and food.

Kim's order cited a federal study that said the chemical is so toxic that even tiny concentrations rou-

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## Trump tests limits of executive power

His crisis declaration faces lengthy journey through legal system

**BY JONATHAN LEMIRE, COLLEEN LONG AND ALAN FRAM**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Defiant in the wake of a stinging budget defeat, President Donald Trump on Friday declared a national emergency at the U.S.-Mexico border, moving to secure more money for his long-promised wall by exercising a broad interpretation of his presidential powers that is certain to draw stiff legal challenges.

In his emergency proclamation, Trump painted a dark

picture of the border as "a major entry point for criminals, gang members, and illicit narcotics" and one that threatens "core national security interests."

Overall, though, illegal border crossings are down from a high of 1.6 million in 2000.

His declaration instantly transformed a contentious policy fight into a foundational dispute over the separation of powers enshrined in the Constitution, spurring talk of a congressional vote to block Trump and ensuring that the president and Democrats will continue fighting over the border wall in Congress, the courts and on the campaign trail.

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# Chicago Tribune CHICAGOLAND

## Brothers released in reported attack

Police had called them 'possible suspects' in Smollett incident

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Chicago Tribune

Chicago police late Friday released two brothers they had been questioning about a reported attack on "Empire" co-star Jussie Smollett, saying they no longer were considered suspects.

"Due to new evidence as a result of today's interrogations, the individuals questioned by police in the Empire case have now been released without charging and detectives have additional investigative work to complete," police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi said in a tweet.

He did not say what the evidence was or what work detectives still must do. His statement was released about 12 hours after he had called the brothers "possible suspects" and said detectives had "probable cause" that they might have committed a crime.

Guglielmi did not explain what happened in the meantime.

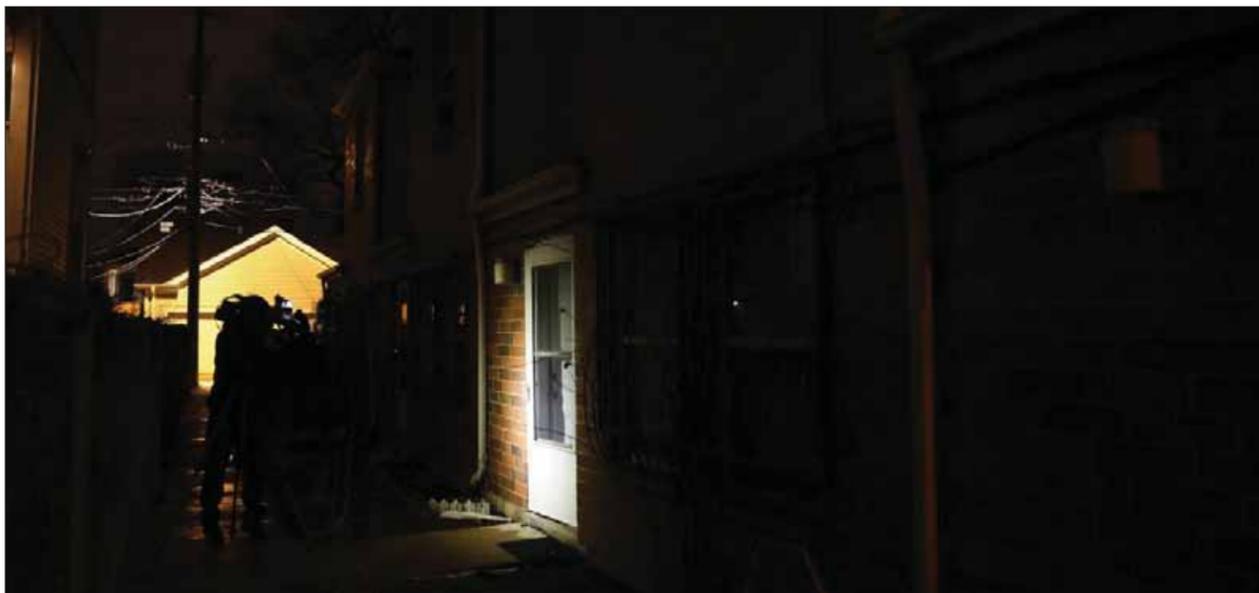
The men were arrested Wednesday night after detectives tracked their movements on surveillance cameras in the Streeter-ville area, where Smollett says two men shouted racial and homophobic slurs at him late last month, hit him and wrapped a rope around his neck while yelling, "This is MAGA country!"

Smollett, in his first TV interview Thursday, said he believed the two people captured by those cameras are his attackers. "Cause ... I was there," he told "Good Morning America" co-anchor Robin Roberts. "I don't have any doubt in my mind that that's them. Never did."

But police sources have said detectives are investigating the possibility that Smollett staged the incident with the help of the brothers, who according to their attorney know the actor from working on the show and also have spent time with him at a gym.

Earlier in the day, Guglielmi said there was "no evidence to say that this is a hoax" but that detectives were "working to corroborate the allegations and investigative timeline as our investigation continues."

Smollett has told police the attack occurred around 2 a.m. on



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A light from a videographer's camera shines on the door of a residence that was served with a search warrant in the investigation of the attack on "Empire" actor Jussie Smollett.

Jan. 29 in the 300 block of East North Water Street as he was walking from a Subway shop to his apartment building. The brothers, who are in their 20s and are black, were traced from that area through surveillance cameras and ride-share records, according to police sources.

The brothers are of Nigerian descent. The older brother received his secondary education in Nigeria and the younger brother attended high school in Chicago, a few blocks away from their North Side home. They both played football for Quincy University, a small liberal arts college in western Illinois, and since then have offered online courses in bodybuilding.

Smollett follows the brothers' bodybuilding page on Instagram.

The brothers are both aspiring actors who have posted auditions online, including a scene in which each of them was interrogated by police in connection with a murder.

They signed with the Babes 'N Beaus Model and Talent Agency in 2016, according to Don Underwood, one of the owners of the Hinsdale-based agency. They each appeared on an episode of NBC's "Chicago P.D." last year.

The younger one's episode ini-



Smollett

tially aired Nov. 14, while the 27-year-old's episode premiered a year ago. They both had roles in the 2017 indie movie "The Worst Nightmare." One of them also had a part in Spike Lee's 2015 film "Chi-Raq."

Neither brother has been credited for work on "Empire," though the older brother said in a 2015 interview that he played the prison bodyguard for Chris Rock's character. Rock guest-starred on the Season 2 premiere of "Empire" in 2015.

The brothers also have struggled with their finances, filing for bankruptcy in 2016, federal court records show.

They owed thousands in student loans — one owed about \$85,000 and the other's exceeded \$39,000. But the two reported earning just \$160 and about \$140 a month, respectively, money they often earned with odd jobs, the records show. One of the men reported having \$300 in investments, including a single share of investment giant Berkshire Hathaway.

The two also had a business, a party and decoration store that was established in 2015 but dissolved last year, according to state records. At the time the brothers filed for bankruptcy, records described the store as "operating at a

loss."

Both brothers have had run-ins with the law. The older one pleaded guilty in 2012 to aggravated battery and was sentenced to two years of probation for a stabbing that occurred a year earlier about a block away from the brothers' home, according to Cook County records. His brother was ticketed for a DUI in 2015.

On the day police announced they had taken the brothers into custody, Smollett gave his first TV interview about the incident and tried to end doubts that have grown about the attack.

"I respect too much the people who — I am now one of those people — who have been attacked in any way," he told "Good Morning America" co-anchor Roberts. "You do such a disservice when you lie about things like this."

A week before the attack, Smollett told police he received a threatening letter at work. Witnesses told police a postal worker dropped off the letter at the Chicago studio where "Empire" is filmed.

It was postmarked in southwest suburban Bedford Park on Jan. 18 and bore two American flag stamps. The letters "MAGA" were written in the upper-left corner of the envelope.

Smollett said a stick figure was shown hanging from a tree with the words, "Smollett Jussie you

will die black (expletive)."

"Did I make that up too?" Smollett asked in the interview with Roberts.

Police have not said whether they believe the two incidents are related, and so far they are being investigated separately — the letter by the FBI and the alleged attack by Chicago police.

Chicago detectives have sought Smollett's phone records since shortly after he reported the attack because he said he was on the phone with his manager when it occurred. But police said this week that the records Smollett and his manager provided were redacted PDFs that were not sufficient for solving the case.

"They wanted me to give my phone to the tech for three to four hours. I'm sorry but — I'm not gonna do that," Smollett said. "Because I have private pictures and videos and numbers: my partner's number, my family's number, my castmates' numbers, my friends' numbers, my private emails, my private songs, my private voice memos."

He added: "I don't know what that's gonna be, to hand over my phone for — and honestly, by then, inaccurate, false statements had already been put out there."

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## Wrongful convictions tossed; 19 sue city, corrupt cop

'This case illustrates what the code of silence is,' lawyer says

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Octayvia McDonald was 17 and pregnant when she was first arrested by Chicago police Sgt. Ronald Watts and his crew while visiting relatives at the now-shuttered Ida B. Wells housing complex.

It was May 2005 and McDonald was with her sister visiting an aunt, when officers stormed into the apartment, according to court records. As they asked why Watts was searching the apartment, she and her sister were arrested. Months later, Watts and his crew again arrested McDonald at the housing complex, with Watts allegedly saying "he had already promised to frame her," according to court records. She went to jail and was eventually sentenced to probation on a drug charge, according to court records.

"I never had time to even bond with my family, my child's father due to the fact of me being pregnant, and, you know, it kind of made it hard for my life," McDonald said Friday during a news conference.

She is among dozens of people who have recently had their Watts-related convictions tossed out. She and 18 men went a step further in clearing their name this week by filing federal lawsuits against Watts, the city of Chicago and other Chicago police officers involved in their arrests.

The lawsuits, filed in U.S. District Court, echo what proponents of police reform have long alleged about a "code of silence," where officers protect each other to avoid accountability for wrongdoing. City officials declined to comment Friday morning, saying city attorneys had not yet received



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Deon Willis, center, and Octayvia McDonald are among the 19 people framed by former Chicago police Sgt. Ronald Watts who are filing federal lawsuits against the city of Chicago, Watts and his team.

the lawsuits.

"We've heard the term 'code of silence' associated with the city of Chicago, this case illustrates what the code of silence is," said Jon Loevy, whose law firm filed the federal lawsuits. "These officers were stealing, robbing and ruining people's lives and other officers saw it and nobody did anything about it."

About three dozen people exonerated of drug charges have so far filed lawsuits against Watts and other officers, Loevy said. The 19 people who filed the federal lawsuits this week are a fraction of those who in recent years had their drug-related convictions overturned.

Just this week, a Cook County judge tossed out the convictions of 10 men during a Monday hearing. By Wednesday, the convictions of four other men were tossed out.

A total of 63 people have had Watts-related convictions tossed

out. Joshua Tepfer, an attorney with the Exoneration Project at the University of Chicago Law School, said earlier this week that there are about three dozen more cases from the Watts era that attorneys have submitted to prosecutors for review.

The cases all revolved around the former Ida B. Wells public housing complex on the South Side. Watts and officers who worked with him were accused of operating a protection racket, forcing residents, visitors and drug dealers to pay up or face false charges.

In 2002, Deon Willis, who is now 44, lived at the complex. He and his friend had just bought snacks from the "Candy Lady" at the housing complex when officers stopped them, according to federal court records. The officers asked if Willis had a brother. When he confirmed he did, the officers ordered him to go down a

set of stairs.

Willis was met by Watts and other officers who told Willis to call his brother. When Willis refused, officers searched him and took him to a police station, where he was charged with a drug crime, according to court records. He later learned that his brother had promised to give Watts \$5,000 in order to avoid being framed for a crime, but the brother hadn't followed through with the payment.

"It's been a mess, you know, he tore my life apart just because he couldn't get a hold of my brother," Willis said Friday.

Willis pleaded guilty in the case and was sentenced to two years probation, according to court records. He was later arrested a second time by Watts and his crew, according to court records. This past November, Willis' convictions and sentences were tossed out.

McDonald, now 31, said she feels like she is in a better place to speak out about what happened to her. As a teen, she said, the arrests took hold of her life, and they coincided with her expecting her first child. Now, she's working on a book about her life and she started a clothing line to help support her three sons.

While the cases like those of McDonald and Willis are similar, all 19 people filed separate lawsuits because the details of each case differ, Loevy said. That's why attorneys are not filing a class-action lawsuit, he said.

Watts' yearslong corruption run ended in 2012 when he and Officer Kallatt Mohammed were convicted of using shakedown tactics against a drug courier who actually was an FBI informant. Watts was sentenced to 22 months in prison, and he moved to Las Vegas after being released.

Loevy said Watts' conviction could help the federal lawsuits filed this week because they involve similar behavior.

"It's a little bit hard for the city to deny wrongdoing when the officer who victimized all these people had to go to federal prison for the exact crimes these people were victimized by," Loevy said.

In other pending lawsuits against him, Watts has invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination more than 40 times, according to court records. In the wake of the allegations, 15 Chicago police officers tied to Watts were placed on desk duty pending an investigation into their conduct.

The Civilian Office of Police Accountability did not respond to a request for comment on the status of the inquiry.

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## Wilson distributes cash to help cover property taxes

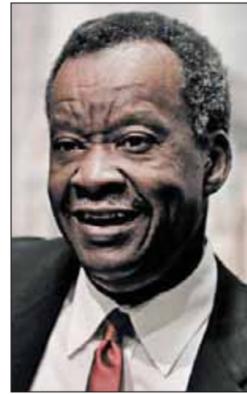
Funds to come from mayoral candidate's own foundation

By **JOHN BYRNE**  
Chicago Tribune

With less than two weeks until election day, mayoral candidate Willie Wilson on Thursday again held an event to pay out tens of thousands of dollars to help cover the property taxes of Chicagoans he said are struggling to make ends meet.

Wilson said he would write checks totaling \$30,000 to \$50,000 to about 115 homeowners, many of whom lined up outside the Cook County treasurer's office on Thursday morning. He said he timed the payments as a Valentine's Day gift to the recipients, but there are also clear potential political benefits to handing out money to people in need so close to the Feb. 26 election.

The money will all come from his foundation, Wilson said. That means the payments won't violate campaign finance laws, according to an Illinois State Board of Elections ruling after Wilson held similar events



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Mayoral candidate Willie Wilson distributed cash to Chicago residents to help pay their property taxes.

in July.

"So Valentine's Day, this is a good kind of a gift for people, valentines to lift up their hope, and to give them some encouragement that we're here to help," Wilson said. "And we will continue to do things like this here."

Wilson drew criticism when he appeared with then-Gov. Bruce Rauner at a South Side church in July and handed out more than \$200,000 in cash and checks. Rauner tried to dis-

tance himself from the handout, saying he gave Wilson about \$200,000 to help people with delinquent taxes but didn't know Wilson planned to pass out cash at the church.

Wilson on Thursday also embraced endorsements he has received from Cook County Republican Party Chairman Sean Morrison, Chicago Young Republicans and the Northwest Side GOP Club. Though Chicago is an overwhelmingly Democratic city, Wilson, a businessman, said Republican backing shows he can appeal to people across the political spectrum.

"I'm running for all citizens, this is a nonpartisan race here," he said. "But anybody for lowering taxes, not raising taxes, that's what I am, whether it's Democratic or Republican. So I will cater to everybody."

And Wilson ripped candidate Bill Daley, who this week got a \$1 million donation from billionaire Ken Griffin.

"He's already bought," Wilson said. "He can't do anything without permission from that person."

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## Man who aimed car at Palatine cops during arrest sentenced to 13 years

By **GEORGE HOUDE**  
Chicago Tribune

A Chicago man convicted for driving his car toward two Palatine police officers who were trying to arrest him was sentenced Thursday to 13 years in prison.

Michael Douglas, 28, was convicted in December of aggravated assault of a police officer and unlawful use of a weapon by a felon. The bench trial was held before Cook County Judge Steven Goebel in Rolling Meadows branch court. Goebel found

Douglas not guilty of an attempted murder charge.

The incident occurred June 6, 2016, in the 500 block of North Quentin Road during a drug investigation, prosecutors said. Douglas was shot in the leg when he sped in his vehicle toward officers who were trying to arrest him, authorities said. Douglas was treated at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights and released, authorities said.

One of the officers said he feared for his life and fired

his gun to protect himself and his partner, Assistant State's Attorney Kristin Piper said. The officers were not injured and Douglas was captured a short time later, she said.

Douglas, of the 5000 block of West Thomas Street, has been in custody since his arrest. He has a prior felony and several misdemeanor convictions, Assistant State's Attorney Denise Loiterstein said.

*George Houde is a freelance reporter.*

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# Woman gets probation for stealing from boss

Convicted of felony theft; claimed man made unwanted advances

By AMANDA MARRAZZO  
Chicago Tribune

A Spring Grove woman who alleged her boss was paying unwanted attention to her was sentenced Friday to two years of probation for stealing nearly \$28,000 from him.

Darcie Wagner, 57, was found guilty in November of felony theft by McHenry County Judge Sharon Prather.

Prosecutors said she used three company credit cards and fraudulently made purchases and cash

advances during her employment from 2014 to 2017.

"This crime is a complete betrayal of trust," Assistant State's Attorney Randi Freese said at Friday's sentencing hearing.

Wagner, who chose to have her case heard by a judge rather than a jury, was accused of stealing \$27,700 from her Crystal Lake employer.

Wagner claimed she had permission to use the credit cards as part of her compensation to make up for low wages. During the trial prosecutors said she left her job

when she was caught racking up credit card debt, but Wagner said she left her job because the boss was making unwanted sexual advances.

"I am sorry this even happened," Wagner said Friday.

She reiterated that she believed she had permission to use the cards and contended she was the "victim" in this situation and hoped her employer "finds the help he needs."

At trial, Freese said the notion that Wagner had permission to use the credit cards at liquor stores and

businesses including Bath and Body Works, Ulta Beauty and Discovery Clothing was "absurd."

The owner of the Crystal Lake alarm company said he did give her permission to use the credit cards and did not mind if she made small purchase such as cigarettes and occasional lunches. He said he did not realize how much she was spending or at what stores.

In handing down the sentence Prather questioned Wagner's statement that she was the "victim" in this case.

"Did I hear you say you are a victim?" Prather said. "The court would totally disagree with that."

Wagner's attorney, Robert De-

ters, had asked for probation noting Wagner's lack of criminal history and the unlikely chance she'd commit another crime. Deters also said he believes there "are two versions of what was happening in that business."

"I still believe they had some arrangement for the use of those credit cards," Deters said.

Wagner also was ordered to pay \$14,732.85 in restitution to her former employer. The additional money had been reimbursed to the company through a fraud reimbursement policy.

Amanda Marrazzo is a freelance reporter.



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Power lines over the Metra tracks south of the Harvey Station were damaged during the late January cold snap.

## Metra Electric District riders to get break

15 percent monthly pass discount to make up for service problems

By MARY WISNIEWSKI  
Chicago Tribune

Metra Electric District riders are going to get a little discount for their recent troubles.

Metra is offering riders a 15 percent discount on their April monthly pass to make up for two weeks of service disruptions caused by the unusually cold weather.

The disruptions on the line, which runs between downtown

and the South Side and south suburbs, included all or part of six days without any service.

"We know our Metra Electric Line customers have endured a rocky two weeks, and we want to thank them for their patience and understanding as we worked to restore normal service," Metra CEO Jim Derwinski said in a statement Wednesday.

The discount will only apply to paper monthly passes sold by ticket agents at Millennium Station and Van Buren Street Station or through transit benefits providers.

The trouble for the line started on the morning of Jan. 30, when

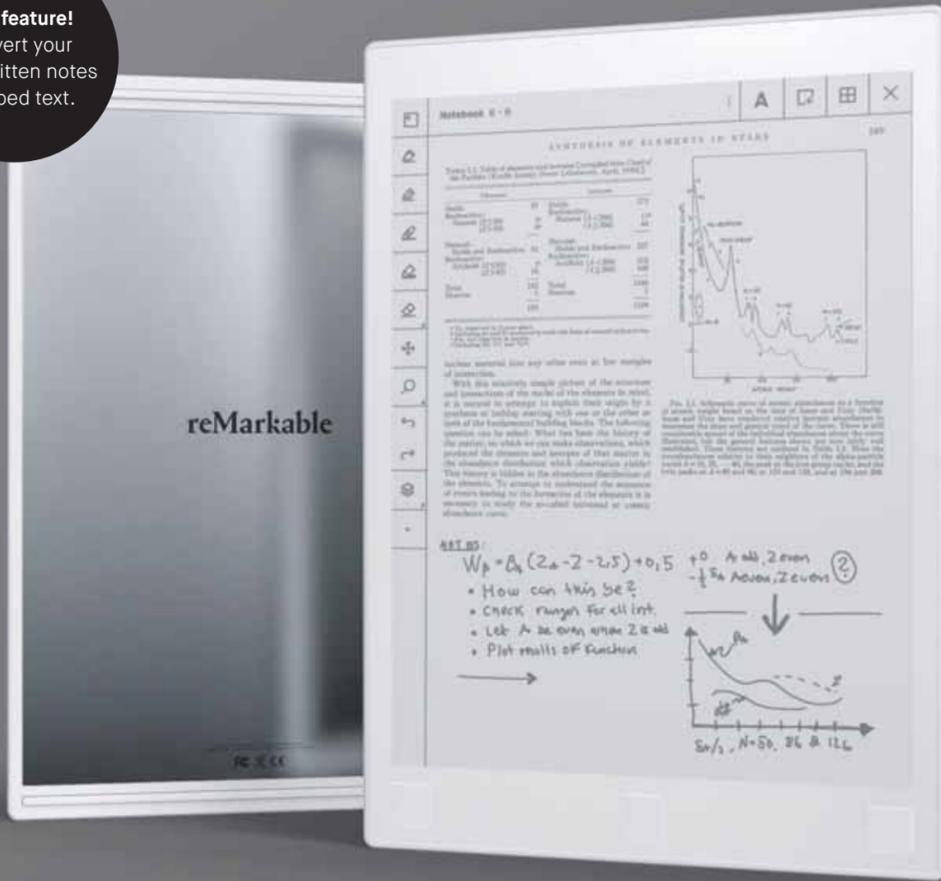
the coldest temperatures since 1985 hit the Chicago area. The cold snap caused the overhead wires that power the line to contract, which led to damage. That night, a Canadian National freight train derailed and caused more damage to wires, along with knocking out two electrical substations.

The South Shore Line between downtown Chicago and Indiana, which had to suspend service for three days because of the freight crash and wire problems, last week offered riders a 10 percent discount on March passes.

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# 5 killed in Aurora shooting; gunman slain

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located at 641 Archer Ave. on the city's west side. Officers arrived four minutes later and immediately drew fire, she said — two of the first four officers entering the building were shot.

More officers arrived, and three more were shot, she said. As some tried to care for gunshot victims, she said, others tracked Martin through the 29,000-square-foot building.

"When they located the offender, they engaged in gunfire with him, ultimately killing him," she said at a news conference.

Police said two of the wounded officers were airlifted to Chicago-area trauma hospitals. Local hospitals said they were caring for at least 10 patients hurt in the shooting.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker, standing with Aurora officials at the news conference, said there was no way for him to prepare for this kind of event, the first tragedy of his administration.

"There are no words for the kind of evil that robs our neighbors of their hopes, their dreams and their futures," he said. "There are no words to express our gratitude to the officers who were wounded in the line of duty as they responded to the gravest kind of

danger they could face."

President Donald Trump sent a tweet as news of the incident was unfolding, sending his "Heartfelt condolences to all of the victims and their families," adding "America is with you!" He said law enforcement officers did a "great job."

Police planned to release more information at a news conference at 9 p.m. Friday.

Tiffany Probst, whose father works in the building, told the Tribune she first heard about the shooting when her friend alerted her to a Facebook post. She jumped in her car and drove toward the scene, but couldn't get close.

Her father doesn't carry a cellphone, so she had no way to reach him. She sat in her car and watched the police response on her phone.

"We're sitting there staring at the screen and watching SWAT about to go in," she said.

Finally, after about 15 minutes, her father managed to find someone with a phone and called her, and relief replaced her growing panic.

As the investigation continued, a Kane County sheriff's office bomb squad vehicle could be seen outside what was believed to be Martin's apartment building in the 1900 block of



Police run a dog around a car surrounded with police tape in the parking lot of a commercial building during Friday's active shooter situation in Aurora.

Selmartin Road.

Mary McKnight, who lives in the area, stepped out of her car with a cherry cheesecake purchased for her son's birthday, to a flurry of police cars, officers and media trucks. "This is a strange thing to come home to," she said.

People at the home of a relative of the Martin family in the western suburbs were

visibly emotional and upset Friday evening. They asked for privacy to mourn.

"We are mourning for the victims and we are mourning for our families," said one woman, who declined to be identified but spoke on behalf of the family. "We need peace... We're worried about the other people who were killed and hurt. Our family has to mourn too

because we lost one too."

Officials with Henry Pratt could not immediately be reached for comment. The company began in 1901 as a metal fabricating shop, according to the company's website. Its administrative headquarters are located in Aurora, and the company also has manufacturing plants in Aurora, Washington and Indiana.

The company is a subsidiary of Atlanta-based Mueller Water Co.

Kane County Board Chairman Chris Lauzen attended the news conference with Pritzker and other officials to show his support and pray for the police officers, sheriff's deputies, paramedics and civilians involved in the shooting.

"I express my sympathy for all the employees and family who will go through

the worst suffering any of us could imagine," Lauzen said.

Lauzen said he grew up a few blocks away from Henry Pratt Co. and still lives nearby with his wife, Sarah.

"This is more than just Kane County, this is home," Lauzen said.

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# NATION & WORLD

## Justices to decide census question

High court agrees to speedy review of citizenship issue

By MARK SHERMAN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court will decide whether the 2020 census can include a question about citizenship that could affect the allocation of seats in the House of Representatives and the distribution of billions of dollars in federal money.

The justices agreed Friday to a speedy review of a lower court ruling that has so far blocked the Trump administration from adding the citizenship question to the census for the first time since 1950.

Both the administration and opponents of the question agreed the court should settle the matter quickly because census forms need to be printed soon.

Arguments will take place in late April. A decision should come by late June.

The case pits the administration against immigrant advocacy organizations and Democratic-led states, cities and counties that argue the citizenship question is intended to discourage the participation of minorities, primarily Hispanics — who tend to support Democrats — from filling out census forms.

The challengers say they would get less federal money and fewer seats in Congress if the census asks about citizenship because people with noncitizens in their households would be less likely to fill out their census forms.

The Constitution re-



MARY ALTAFFER/AP 2018

Opponents of the citizenship question in the 2020 census speak out Nov. 27 in New York. The Supreme Court should issue a ruling in the Trump administration case by late June.

quires a census count every 10 years.

A question about citizenship had once been common, but it has not been asked of every household since 1950. At the moment, the question is part of a detailed annual sample of a small chunk of the population, the American Community Survey.

The case stems from Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross' decision in 2018 to add a citizenship

question to the next census, against the advice of career officials at the Census Bureau, which is part of the Commerce Department.

At the time, Ross said he was responding to a Justice Department request to ask about citizenship in order to improve enforcement of the federal Voting Rights Act.

U.S. District Judge Jesse Furman in New York ruled in January that the question could not be included, saying that fewer people would

respond to the census and that the process Ross used was faulty.

Pressed for time, the administration bypassed the federal appeals court in New York and appealed directly to the justices. The challengers defended the lower court ruling, but acknowledged the need for a quick answer to the legal issue.

It's rare for the high court to weigh in without the benefit of appellate rulings.

Such interventions usually are reserved for national political crises.

The administration has defended the addition of the citizenship question by arguing that courts have no business second-guessing the commerce secretary in performing a basic function of his job.

But Furman largely agreed with the local and state governments and rights groups that sued over the issue. He pointed out



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Wilbur Ross decided last year to add a citizenship question to the census.

that Ross had ignored his own experts' views that a census with a citizenship question would produce less accurate results and add to the costs.

Documents and testimony produced as part of the trial in New York showed that Ross had begun pressing for a citizenship question soon after he became secretary in 2017, and that he had consulted Steve Bannon, who had been President Donald Trump's top political adviser, and then-Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach. Emails showed that Ross himself had invited the Justice Department request to add the citizenship question.

The judge's ruling held that Ross' decision about what to ask on the census was "arbitrary and capricious" under the federal Administrative Procedures Act.

There are at least four other ongoing lawsuits over the question, but the Supreme Court is expected to settle the matter with the case it has agreed to hear.

## NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

### Police: Teen planned to shoot ex-girlfriend at N.M. school

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A note found in a 16-year-old boy's pocket indicated that he had planned to kill his ex-girlfriend and others on Valentine's Day, when he fired a gunshot inside his high school, according to documents filed by authorities in court.

No one was injured in the shooting that happened Thursday morning before classes started at V. Sue Cleveland High School in Rio Rancho, a

suburb of Albuquerque.

A witness had told authorities in a search warrant affidavit that the 16-year-old suspect had approached three other students sitting in an alcove before opening fire.

Police said the boy also intended to kill himself, but instead he put down the weapon after firing a shot and ran to a dry wash where he was arrested. He is facing charges including of attempting to commit murder.

### Nigeria delays presidential vote over unspecified 'challenges'

KANO, Nigeria — Nigeria's electoral commission delayed the presidential election until Feb. 23, making the announcement a mere five hours before polls were set to open Saturday. It cited unspecified "challenges" amid reports that voting materials had not been delivered to all parts of the country.

Residents of Africa's most populous nation and largest democracy were

expected to wake up to outrage. Many had relocated for the chance to vote.

"This was a difficult decision to take but necessary for successful delivery of the elections and the consolidation of our democracy," commission chairman Mahmood Yakubu told reporters in the capital, Abuja. He said more details would be released during an afternoon briefing.

### Haiti vows to unveil economic policies to quell violent protests

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Haitians on Friday vowed to keep protesting until President Jovenel Moise resigns, despite his announcement of upcoming economic measures designed to quell more than a week of violent demonstrations across the country.

Moise said during a televised address late Thursday that he would not surrender the country to armed gangs and drug

dealers, and he accused people of freeing prisoners to kill him.

He said Prime Minister Jean-Henry Ceant would share details of the economic measures Friday, but none were announced.

Protesters remain angry about skyrocketing inflation and the government's failure to prosecute embezzlement from a multi-billion dollar Venezuelan program that sent discounted oil to Haiti.



ANAS AL-DYAB/GETTY-AFP

Syrian men assist a dust-covered woman who was injured Friday after an airstrike in the town of Khan Shaykhun in the southern region of rebel-held Idlib province.

### Oversight chair: Lawyers for Trump gave false information

WASHINGTON — Federal ethics officials believe President Donald Trump's lawyers provided false information about the \$130,000 payment to buy the silence of porn actress Stormy Daniels after she alleged she had sex with Trump, the chairman of the House oversight committee said Friday.

Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., said internal documents from the Office of Government Ethics described that Trump's personal lawyer, Sheri Dillon, and former White House attorney Stefan Passantino provided false information

and "evolving stories" about the payment.

Trump's former lawyer, Michael Cohen, has pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations connected to the payments.

The Trump Organization paid Cohen \$420,000 in monthly installments of \$35,000 throughout 2017, after Cohen sought reimbursement for the Daniels and other expenses, according to court documents.

Cohen previously said the Trump Organization didn't reimburse him.

At first, Dillon told the

ethics officials that Trump didn't owe Cohen any money and said that she confirmed with Trump that Cohen wasn't owed any money in 2016 or 2017.

After Trump tweeted in May 2018 that the hush-money agreement was paid using a monthly retainer agreement, the ethics officials went back to Dillon and were told that all the payments were "in connection with legal services," according to the letter.

Passantino made the same argument, saying the payments were for legal fees charged on a monthly basis.

### Judge issues gag order in Roger Stone's case

WASHINGTON — A federal judge on Friday issued a gag order in the criminal case of longtime Donald Trump confidant Roger Stone, barring Stone and his lawyers from making comments that could influence a jury. The charges against Stone were brought by the special

counsel Robert Mueller in the Russia probe.

U.S. District Judge Amy Berman Jackson said the order was necessary to ensure Stone's right to a fair trial and "to maintain the dignity and seriousness of the courthouse and these proceedings." The order is narrowly tailored to com-

ments about his pending case and does not constrain Stone from discussing other topics publicly.

The ruling, which applies to both sides in the case, comes after string of media appearance by the outspoken political consultant since his arrest and indictment last month.

### U.S. military to deliver more aid to border of Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela — The Trump administration is sending another large shipment of humanitarian aid to the Venezuelan border in Colombia, for the first time using U.S. military aircraft as it increases pressure on President Nicolas Maduro to give up power, according to a State Department email sent to Congress.

The announcement of additional aid comes as the Trump administration on Friday added Venezuela's oil boss and key intelligence officers to a long list of Maduro loyalists under U.S. financial sanctions.

The 250 tons of food supplies, hygiene kits and nutritional supplements will begin arriving Saturday to the border city of Cucuta, where tons of boxes of emergency aid stamped with the U.S. flag are already warehoused.

The aid came at the request of opposition leader Juan Guaido.

**Presidential bid:** Former Massachusetts Gov. Bill Weld, 73, told an audience in New Hampshire on Friday that he will determine if he can raise enough money to take on President Donald Trump in the 2020 Republican presidential primary, offering the first high-profile challenge to Trump's re-election effort.

**In Texas:** The U.S. government has suddenly stopped force-feeding a group of Indian men on a hunger strike inside an El Paso immigration detention center, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement said.

The practice involves feeding detainees through nasal tubes against their will.

# Dispute focuses on separation of powers

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It triggered outrage from Democrats, unease among some Republicans and flew in the face of years of GOP complaints that President Barack Obama had overreached in his use of executive authority.

Trump signed the declaration to justify diverting billions of federal dollars from military construction and other purposes after Congress approved only a fraction of the money he had demanded.

The standoff over border funding had led to the longest government shutdown in history.

To avoid another shutdown, Trump reluctantly signed a funding bill Friday that included just \$1.4 billion of the \$5.7 billion he had demanded for the wall.

Trump announced the declaration in a free-wheeling, 50-minute Rose Garden news conference that included a long preamble about his administration's accomplishments.

He jostled with reporters and delivered a singsong prediction about the fate of the order as it winds its way through the legal

system before potentially ending up at the Supreme Court.

"Sadly, we'll be sued and sadly it will go through a process and happily we'll win, I think," said Trump.

Within hours of Trump's statement, the American Civil Liberties Union announced it would file suit challenging his emergency powers declaration.

"By the president's very own admission in the Rose Garden, there is no national emergency. He just grew impatient and frustrated with Congress, and decided to move along his promise for a border wall 'faster,'" said ACLU Executive Director Anthony Romero.

Some Democratic state attorneys general have also threatened to go to court over the decision.

The text of Trump's proclamation cited an increase in families coming across the border and an inability to detain families during deportation proceedings — not drugs or violence as the president outlined in his news conference.

The top two Democrats in Congress said they'd use "every remedy available" to

oppose what they cast as an unlawful measure.

"The President's actions clearly violate the Congress's exclusive power of the purse, which our Founders enshrined in the Constitution," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer said in a joint statement.

Trump defended his use of an emergency declaration, saying other presidents had done the same. Other presidents have used emergency powers, but not to pay for projects that Congress wouldn't support.

Trump sent mixed messages as to its necessity. He wrote in the official proclamation that, "Because of the gravity of the current emergency situation, it is necessary for the Armed Forces to provide additional support to address the crisis."

But he seemed to tip his hand at a political motive when he said during the news conference, "I didn't need to do this, but I'd rather do it much faster," an admission certain to be cited during legal challenges.

Republicans had opposed Trump declaring a



EVAN VUCCI/AP

President Donald Trump defended his use of an emergency declaration, saying other presidents had done the same. The ACLU quickly announced it would challenge his action.

national emergency, repeatedly warning that it would set a bad precedent and divide the party when Democrats put it up for a vote. While many in the GOP on Friday fell in line behind Trump's decision, others remain opposed.

"I don't believe a national emergency declaration is the solution," Sen Thom Tillis, R-N.C., said in a statement. "It wouldn't provide

enough funding to adequately secure our borders, it would likely get tied up in litigation, and most concerning is that it would create a new precedent that a left-wing president would undoubtedly utilize to implement their radical policy agenda while bypassing the authority of Congress."

House Judiciary Committee Chairman Jerrold Nadler called for a hearing

on the "serious constitutional and statutory issues" the declaration raises.

Congressional votes in coming weeks on a resolution blocking the emergency declaration were highly likely, but the timing was uncertain. Once a resolution is introduced, leaders by law cannot prevent votes on such a measure, which would need a simple majority to pass each chamber.

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Workers hammer out a condo project Friday in Tijuana, Mexico, with the border barrier in the background. Lawsuits are expected to be filed against the president's actions.

## Experts: Trump's declaration faces uncertain fate

By MARK SHERMAN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Let the lawsuits begin.

President Donald Trump declared a national emergency along the southern border Friday and predicted his administration would end up defending it all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.

That might have been the only thing Trump said Friday that produced near-universal agreement.

The American Civil Liberties Union announced its intention to sue less than an hour after the White House released the text of Trump's declaration that the "current situation at the southern border presents a border security and humanitarian crisis that threatens core national security interests and constitutes a national emergency."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and several Democratic state attorneys general already have said they might go to court.

The coming legal fight seems likely to hinge on two main issues: Can the president declare a national emergency to build a border wall in the face of Congress' refusal to give him all the money he wanted and can the Defense Department take money from some congressionally approved military construction projects to pay for wall construction?

The Pentagon has not said which projects might be affected.

Trump's signature on the declaration set in motion a quick march to the courthouse.

Trump relied on the National Emergencies Act of 1976, which Congress adopted as a way to put some limits on presidential use of national emergencies.

The act requires a presi-

dent to notify Congress publicly of the national emergency and to report every six months. The law also says the president must renew the emergency every year, simply by notifying Congress.

The House and Senate also can revoke a declaration by majority vote, though it would take a two-thirds vote by each house to override an expected presidential veto.

The law doesn't say what constitutes a national emergency or impose any other limits on the president.

The broad grant of discretion to the president could make it hard to persuade courts to rule that Trump exceeded his authority. "He's the one who gets to make the call. We can't second-guess it," said John Eastman, a professor of constitutional law at the Chapman University School of Law.

Courts often are reluctant to look beyond the justifications the president included in his proclamation, Ohio State University law professor Peter Shane said.

But other legal experts said the facts are arrayed against the president.

They include government statistics showing a decades-long decline in illegal border crossings as well as Trump's rejection of a deal last year that would have provided more than the nearly \$1.4 billion he got for border security in the budget agreement he signed Thursday.

Opponents of the declaration also are certain to use Trump's own words at his Rose Garden news conference Friday to argue that there is no emergency on the border.

"I could do the wall over a longer period of time," Trump said. "I didn't need to do this, but I'd rather do it much faster."

# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## Ill. Dems call on new Wis. governor to re-evaluate Foxconn plant's impact

By **TODD RICHMOND**  
Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Illinois congressional Democrats have asked Wisconsin's new Democratic governor to review the environmental impact of a sprawling plant that Foxconn Technology Group plans to build near the states' border, saying they are concerned it could exacerbate flooding in Chicago's northern suburbs.

Sens. Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth along with Reps. Brad Schneider and Lauren Underwood sent Gov. Tony Evers a letter on Friday saying stormwater runoff from the plant would drain into the Des Plaines River watershed and could worsen flooding in Illinois' Lake County, which covers the northeastern corner of Illinois and is just north of Cook County, which includes Chicago.

The Lake County Board, the county's Stormwater Management Commission and several Lake County towns have passed resolutions disapproving of the project, the Illinois lawmakers wrote, noting that Illinois state Senate also adopted a resolution urging Wisconsin officials to reconsider the project's environmental and health impacts.

"We ask that you submit forthcoming construction plans to stringent environmental review," they wrote. "Economic development is a top priority in our region, and it does not have to come at the cost of environmental degradation."

Evers' spokeswoman,



Then-Gov. Scott Walker and President Donald Trump take part in the groundbreaking for the Foxconn plant in Mount Pleasant, Wis., last year. **BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2018**

Melissa Baldauff, didn't immediately respond to an email Friday seeking comment. Foxconn spokeswoman Myranda Tanck also didn't immediately respond to an email.

Foxconn plans to build a flat-screen manufacturing campus in Mount Pleasant, which is in Racine County, Wisconsin, about 70 miles north of Chicago. The Taiwanese electronics giant has said the facility eventually could employ up to 13,000 people.

Local officials and Republican state lawmakers — led by then-Gov. Scott Walker — extended the company an unprecedented \$4 billion in incentives to lure the plant to Wisconsin.

The package exempted Foxconn from a host of environmental regulations, allowing to the company to fill wetlands without a permit and to proceed without an environmental impact

statement, which is a typically routine study of a construction project's potential effects on the environment.

The state Department of Natural Resources also approved the city of Racine's request on behalf of Mount Pleasant to draw 7 million gallons of water per day from Lake Michigan to serve the plant.

Wisconsin DNR documents also show that emissions from the plant would increase smog in Racine County. Former Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan filed a lawsuit last year along with conservation groups and the city of Chicago challenging a federal rule that found a number of areas across the country, including Racine County, to be in compliance with air quality standards for smog. Madigan argued that the rule would allow Foxconn to avoid stricter emissions standards, which

could harm Chicago residents. That lawsuit is pending in federal court in Washington.

Evers, a Democrat, narrowly defeated Walker in November's elections. He said earlier this month he has directed the DNR to review Foxconn's air permits, which the Illinois Democrats called "heartening" in their letter.

Foxconn has come under intense scrutiny in recent weeks after the company said it planned to scale back and possibly shelve its plans to build display screens in Wisconsin. The company shifted again two days later and reaffirmed that it does plan to make such screens at the plant.

"We have been skeptical of this development from the beginning and Foxconn backpedaling from its initial offer has only deepened our concerns," the Illinois Democrats wrote in their letter.



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The tract runs between Chicago and Grand avenues and includes the Freedom Center facility where the Chicago Tribune and other papers are printed by Tribune Publishing.

## Tribune Media puts land along the river up for sale

Chicago Tribune Staff

Tribune Media could sell the 37-acre tract of land it owns along the Chicago River that had been slated for redevelopment.

The broadcast company confirmed Friday that it has contracted with Eastdil Secured, a real estate brokerage, to list the property for sale. Eastdil Secured did not immediately return a call for comment.

In October, Tribune Media's plan to build more offices, a hotel and more than 4,000 residential units on the site along the river was approved by the City Council. Tribune Media called the project River District.

The site runs between Chicago and Grand avenues along the river, and it was among those presented to

Amazon as an option when the e-commerce giant was looking for a location for its second headquarters.

The site includes the Freedom Center facility where the Chicago Tribune and other newspapers are printed by Tribune Publishing, which separated in 2014 from what is now Tribune Media.

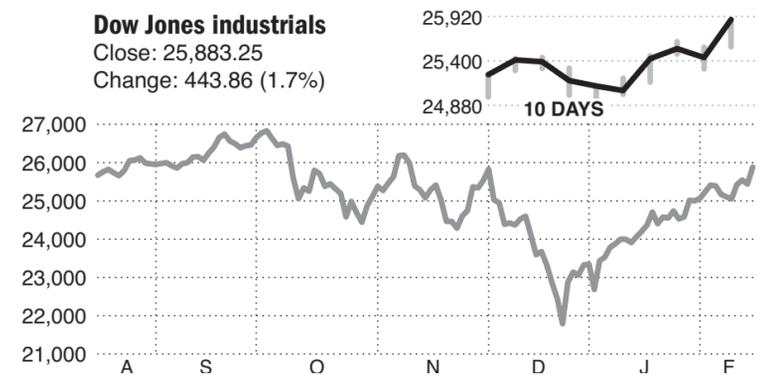
"The River District is a once in a generation opportunity to transform 37 acres of underutilized industrial land into a new, world-class urban neighborhood," Murray McQueen, president of Tribune Real Estate, said in a statement. "We are excited to take the next step in bringing to fruition the vision supported in the North Branch framework and approved by the City Council."

**"The River District is a once in a generation opportunity ..."**

— Murray McQueen, president of Tribune Real Estate

### MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 25,883.72 Low: 25,564.63 Previous: 25,439.39



**Nasdaq** **+45.46 (+.61%)**

Close: 7,472.41  
High: 7,477.28  
Low: 7,440.26  
Previous: 7,426.95

**S&P 500** **+29.87 (+1.09%)**

Close: 2,775.60  
High: 2,775.66  
Low: 2,760.24  
Previous: 2,745.73

**Russell 2000** **+24.14 (+1.56%)**

Close: 1,569.25  
High: 1,570.16  
Low: 1,547.12  
Previous: 1,545.11

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COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	507.75	508.75	499.25	504.25	-2.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	374.75	376.50	373	374.75	...
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	905.25	909.75	901.25	907.50	+4
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 19	29.87	30.06	29.67	29.95	+0.06
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 19	306.00	307.50	305.40	306.50	+1.00
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Mar 19	54.48	55.81	54.24	55.59	+1.18
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 19	2.572	2.635	2.543	2.625	+0.052
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Mar 19	1.5110	1.5768	1.5075	1.5729	+0.064

### LOCAL STOCKS

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STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	75.25	+1.28	Equity Lifestyle Prop	N	108.98	+3.38	Mondelez Intl	O	48.16	+8.41
AbbVie Inc	N	80.85	+3.33	Equity Residential	N	73.21	+0.09	Morningstar Inc	O	126.39	+3.1
Alstata Corp	N	94.38	+1.15	Exelon Corp	N	48.26	+4.0	Motorola Solutions	N	138.63	+1.44
Apartgroup Inc	N	101.94	+1.17	First Indl RT	N	33.91	+1.0	NISource Inc	N	27.08	+3.0
Arch Dan Mid	N	41.98	+0.09	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	47.40	+3.6	Nthn Trust Cp	O	93.09	+1.81
Baxter Intl	N	73.43	+0.99	GrubHub Inc	N	79.84	+9.6	Old Republic	N	20.92	+2.3
Boeing Co	N	417.97	+8.15	Grainger WW	N	316.62	+4.81	Packaging Corp Am	N	98.47	+1.11
Brunswick Corp	N	51.43	+1.40	GrubHub Inc	N	83.21	+7.4	Paylocity Hldg	O	84.36	+5.4
CBOE Global Markets	N	93.54	+0.90	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	104.61	+1.04	Stericycle Inc	O	45.56	+5.3
CDK Global Inc	O	58.19	+0.91	IDEX Corp	N	144.12	+3.04	Teleph Data	N	36.30	+8.5
CDW Corp	O	94.84	+0.99	ITW	N	144.21	+5.46	TransUnion	N	66.13	-5.1
CF Industries	N	41.77	-0.77	Ingredion Inc	N	93.77	+6.3	Tribune Media Co A	N	43.43	+1.4
CME Group	O	175.40	-2.00	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	164.96	+4.4	US Foods Holding	N	35.31	...
CNA Financial	N	44.53	+0.70	Kemper Corp	N	80.96	+1.79	USG Corp	N	43.18	+1.3
Caterpillar Inc	N	136.20	+3.58	Kraft Heinz Co	O	47.62	+2.8	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	306.36	+1.36
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	24.50	+0.78	LKQ Corporation	O	27.15	+6.9	United Contl Hldgs	O	88.31	+1.6
Deere Co	N	158.99	-3.43	Littelfuse Inc	O	187.17	+3.88	Ventas Inc	N	65.21	+4.7
Discover Fin Svcs	N	71.29	+1.60	MB Financial	O	44.90	+1.00	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	73.43	+1.32
Dover Corp	N	91.20	+1.13	McDonalds Corp	N	179.97	+4.10	Wintrust Financial	O	74.29	+1.58
Equity Commonwlth	N	32.67	+0.04	Middleby Corp	O	126.27	+2.21	Zebra Tech	O	199.75	+3.28

### MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	10.09	+0.05
Bank of America	29.11	+0.72
Ford Motor	8.54	+0.12
AT&T Inc	30.47	+0.68
CenturyLink Inc	13.74	+0.96
CocaCola Co	45.24	-0.35
EnCana Corp	6.90	+0.36
Yamana Gold Inc	2.64	+0.06
Vale SA	12.33	+0.19
Chesapeake Engy	2.62	+0.11
Ambev S.A.	4.95	...
Nokia Corp	6.32	+0.02
Canopy Growth Corp	47.56	+1.44
Wells Fargo & Co	49.22	+0.70
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PIMCO TtlRetInvs	10.01	...	+2.8
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## EDITORIALS

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

## Trump himself is the emergency

The president is correct. We do have a national emergency. It's his abuse of power, abuse of language, abuse of people and abuse of truth all wrapped up in one.

— Rabbi Dr. Scott B. Saulson, Olympia Fields

## Don't join forces with Trump

I just found out Cubs co-owner Todd Ricketts is running the financial side of President Donald Trump's 2020 campaign. I am such a lover of the Cubbies but find it intolerable that the team that has come to represent hope is aligned with Trump and all his racism.

My plea to Cubs ownership is to just stay out of any politics. I suspect I am not the only Cub fan who feels that way. Please don't do this. It would be so sad for the fans, the players and our city.

— Pamela Harris, Huntley

## What prompts emergency action

According to the Trump administration, it will take "extraordinary measures" to reunite families separated at the border — and some may never be reunited.

When a crisis happens, only extraordinary measures will solve it. When someone has a heart attack, you don't wonder if you might have to call 911 in a couple of weeks. You call 911 immediately. A situation that demands urgent, extraordinary measures to be resolved is a good definition of an emergency.

So, there's your national emergency, President Donald Trump. Own it. Declare it, fix it and mitigate this human rights abuse, this cruel blockage in American's heart.

— Francesca Kelly, Highland Park

## The president's downfall: Taxes?

The recent movie "On the Basis of Sex" largely focuses on a real tax case (involving Ruth Bader Ginsburg as an attorney) that changed society.

Seeing it made me realize how historically significant mundane-seeming tax returns can be. Al Capone, after all, was convicted for tax fraud, not violent crimes.

Now the Senate may go after President Donald Trump's tax returns. It would be interesting if Trump's downfall wound up being taxes and not collusion.

— Joyce Porter, Oak Park

## A moderate's take on Trump

Conservatives assume anyone who comments negatively about President Donald Trump is hardcore liberal. I am a moderate. I see the victories that Trump has claimed as "great achievements" — the tax bill, and the tweaking of NAFTA — as two I can agree with, although the tax bill is definitely weighted toward big business and the wealthy.

My admiration ends at that point, as our growing deficit will take away any gains.

I've always felt the president should be supported. I have a hard time doing so with Trump. My biggest complaint is his disregard for the citizens as a whole. For our president to expand the divisions existing in our nation and actually encourage citizens to square off against each other is ridiculous behavior from a sitting president.

As a working-class citizen who grew up blue-collar, I have a feel for what is acceptable behavior in the cross section of my respective class. I can honestly say most in my station in life and a majority of Trump's most ardent followers wouldn't tolerate his behavior if it came from a co-worker or a patron at the local tavern.

Trump — there is no other way of saying it — is a liar. He constantly distorts facts, overestimates his actions and degrades achievements from any other quarter for fear his spotlight would be shared.

The treatment of our allies makes no sense. If the U.S. is being so taken advantage of in trade, aid or NATO, why not address the issue in a civilized manner? Embarrassing our ally leaders on the world stage does little to promote dialogue on any issue. It is an embarrassment to our country as well.

I believe he is well on his way to a second term. Trump tells people what they want to hear; whether it's true or not, he really doesn't care.

— John Segovich, Streator

## Give the Esquire kid a break

Tribune writer Heidi Stevens seems astonished over a 17-year-old white boy from Wisconsin knowing nearly nothing about #MeToo ("Esquire deserves the flak it's getting," Feb. 14). But should anyone be astonished?

If you randomly chose a young American of Asian background and asked him if he had ever heard of Treblinka, my hunch is that he'd respond with a blank face. If, however, he was Jewish, he'd identify it immediately.

If you asked just any American teenage girl when Poland became an independent state, she'd probably have no clue. If, however, she was Polish, she'd know.

If you asked me about the impact of government subsidies on soybean farmers, I'd have to confine myself to a generalization or two. Ask an Iowa soybean farmer, however, and you'll get the real dirt.

It seems callow and self-centered of a writer to presume that what enralls her should interest everyone.

You're surrounded by 300 million compatriots, each one of whom is a unique bundle of interests, pursuits and passions, hopes and fears.

— Michael W. Drwiega, Wilmette

## AURORA'S MASS SHOOTING



ABEL URIBE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Gov. J.B. Pritzker talks about the Aurora shooting in which five civilians and the gunman were killed and five officers wounded.

## More families join 'group that should not exist yet continues to grow'

And now, an Illinois addition to the list of mass shootings that agonize all Americans on somber anniversaries — and that agonize survivors and the families of victims every day of the year. This week already had delivered anniversaries of the Northern Illinois University shooting in 2008, and the Parkland, Fla., high school shooting in 2018. Friday's bloodshed was at the Henry Pratt Co., a valve manufacturing firm in the western Chicago suburb of Aurora. The casualty count that authorities disclosed Friday evening — six civilians killed including the gunman, five police officers injured by gunfire — adds still more families to what Gov. J.B. Pritzker termed "a group that should not exist yet continues to grow."

**What might the death toll have been if police** hadn't responded within four minutes to 911 calls and hustled into the 29,000-square-foot facility? Unknown, thankfully. We'll echo Aurora police Chief Kristen Ziman's public message to her officers: "Thank you for running toward

gunfire."

Bob Gonzalez, a local school board president who runs an insurance office out of his house next to the site of Friday's shooting, said he was deeply unnerved by the incident and already rethinking safety protocols: "It just makes me wonder, here, the door to my office is always unlocked, I see my clients come in, I know my clients, but it makes me wonder whether now I should have some kind of lock that I can lock from the inside and keep my door locked at all times. It's very scary."

**The damage these mass shootings cause**, beyond the carnage and casualty tolls, is incalculable. They occur so frequently that we Americans have factored them into our culture. In everyday life we now acknowledge a risk, an expectation even, that at any moment gunfire may shatter normality. Schools, churches and offices all might be targeted, so every well-prepared student, congregant or worker cases buildings for escape routes and hiding places. Safe-

ty drills must be scheduled. Children must be introduced to the idea of facing gunfire so they know what to do if it happens.

Like the school shootings that began with Laurie Dann's assault on a Winnetka elementary school in 1988, the workplace shooting is a recognizable phenomenon here.

Among the most notorious: Many Chicagoans still live with the horrors imposed by William Baker, who killed four co-workers and himself at a Navistar International factory in Melrose Park in 2001. And the comparable horrors imposed by Salvador Tapia, who killed six former co-workers at a South Side auto parts warehouse before being shot by police in 2003.

And now Aurora. Early speculation about a motive centered on a workplace issue, but we can't know whether the catalyst was one person's despair or self-pity or aggression or ... something else. This killer takes the demented logic of his plot with him to the grave. We profoundly wish he had not taken innocents with him.

As the Feb. 26 Chicago election approaches, you'll find the mayoral and aldermanic candidates' answers to our surveys, and our endorsements, at [chicagotribune.com/candidates](http://chicagotribune.com/candidates). To find more information about the mayoral candidates, go to [chicagotribune.com/mayorsrace](http://chicagotribune.com/mayorsrace).

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

These days, it remains to be seen how many Democrats count themselves as anti-war. Indeed, according to a recent Politico/Morning Consult poll, just 29 percent of Democrats support withdrawing U.S. troops from Syria, while 50 percent oppose. As for Afghanistan, by a 1-point plurality, Democrats count themselves as hawks.

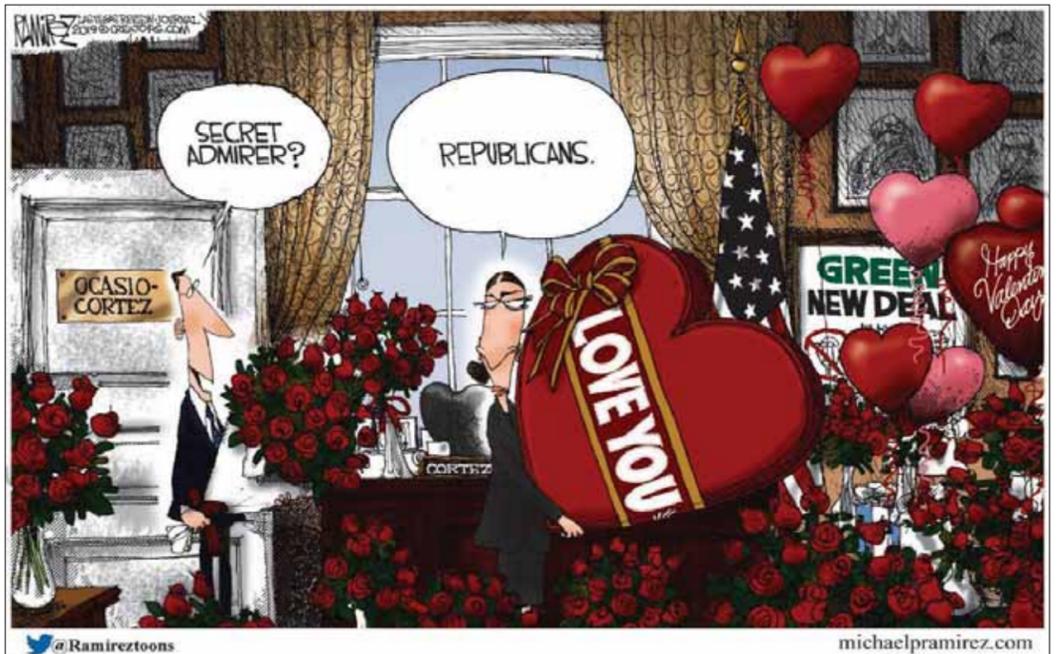
Is dovish McGovernism dead? Part of the phenomenon, of course, is knee-jerk opposition to President Trump. That is, if the president says he wants to get out of Syria and to draw down in Afghanistan, well, that's the cue for Democrats to take the opposite position. Yet it's also true that the Democrats are changing. That is, many neoconser-

vatives, having supported Bush 43 and Republicans, then turned against Trump and the GOP in 2016; they have, in effect, joined the Democratic Party. And in so doing, they've given the Democrats a distinctly Hillary-like — if not Bush 43-like — aspect.

In the meantime, as the hawks have migrated to the left, the doves have migrated to the right. According to that same Politico/Morning Consult poll, 73 percent of Republicans support getting out of Syria. That's a whopping 44 points more than the Democrats. And 76 percent of Republicans endorse reducing our footprint in Afghanistan.

James Pinkerton, *The American Conservative*

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## IN PERFORMANCE

# Putting on a thunderous homecoming

CSO presents all-Russian program, its first concert in Chicago since Asia tour

By **HOWARD REICH**  
Chicago Tribune

Seven hours after announcing they would strike if contract negotiations have not succeeded by March 10, the musicians of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra reminded listeners why they are admired around the world.

Playing their first concert at home in Orchestra Hall since their recently concluded Asia tour, the CSO artists on Thursday night offered an all-Russian program that underscored the ensemble's tonal depth and technical prowess. If the rigors of the tour took a toll on their energy and drive, it certainly didn't show in this performance.

The most impressive work emerged in Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 1, "Winter Dreams," a piece overshadowed by the composer's later, towering symphonic achievements. But guest conductor Pablo Heras-Casado conceived an interpretation that made about as strong a case for this disarming composition as one might imagine.

For starters, he set a brisk tempo in the opening movement, "Daydreams of a Winter Journey," thereby making the most of Tchaikovsky's youthful ardors. This reading was all about passionate themes fervently stated, the conductor wasting no time lingering over phrases that can seem effusive if overstated. Thanks to the driving force and urgency of Heras-Casado's reading, the motifs of the first movement made coherent sense. Then, too, it was a pleasure to hear once again the deep resonance of the CSO, which sounded majestic but not overbearing in fortissimo passages.

Shaping a gorgeous Tchaikovsky melody can be more challenging than is apparent, and Heras-Casado showed how it's done in the second movement. The grace and tenderness he brought to lyric themes made a nocturne of the piece. This included particularly evocative playing from assistant principal oboe Michael Henschel, who produced an austere beautiful tone, with barely a hint of vibrato (befitting the movement's subtitle: "Land of Desolation, Land of Mists").

Practically every passage of the scherzo movement — and not just the trio — exuded the spirit of the dance in Heras-Casado's reading. And though there's only so much that any conductor can do with the strange

structure of the last movement, conductor and orchestra certainly put plenty of vigor into it. Yes, the final pages veered toward grandiosity, but the fault here belonged to the score, which gets a bit thin thematically in relation to its climactic aspirations.

Pianist Simon Trpceski turned in an uncommonly poetic account of Grieg's Piano Concerto last summer at the Ravinia Festival, showing himself as an artist of remarkable subtlety and craft. Those qualities distinguished his performance of Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 3 on this evening, but that wasn't always quite enough for this work of herculean proportions.

Though Trpceski took the famous opening theme rather slowly, he finessed the concerto's subsequent technical demands with apparent ease. Better still, he brought a pervasive sense of lyricism to his pianism, even in thorny, gnarly passagework. Yet Trpceski didn't fully assert himself until the first movement's epic cadenza in a work that requires far more thunder before then. And though Trpceski's virtuosity often was thrilling, he did not conjure the massive, monumental sound that maximizes the impact of this cadenza — and much of the rest of the concerto.

Rachmaninoff, after all, famously remarked that he had written this concerto for elephants, and that kind of gigantism was not within Trpceski's concept or execution. Or, to put it in more generous terms, Trpceski in this work leaned closer to the tenderness of Van Cliburn's interpretation than the leonine gestures of Vladimir Horowitz's. Still, Trpceski dispatched the repeated-note figurations of the second movement more effectively than most, itself an achievement.

The large audience in Orchestra Hall rewarded the pianist with several ovations, prompting him to play a Chopin Waltz in A Minor, Op. Posth., as an encore. Its serenely melodic pages perfectly suited Trpceski's gifts.

*The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; ticket prices vary; 312-294-3000 or www.cso.org.*

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Guest conductor Pablo Heras-Casado leads the Chicago Symphony Orchestra with Simon Trpceski on piano.



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Brooklyn-based rocker Sharon Van Etten performs at Thalia Hall on Thursday.

## IN PERFORMANCE

# CONFESSIONS AND RISKS

Sharon Van Etten challenges everyone and everything at powerhouse Thalia Hall show

By **BOB GENDRON**  
Chicago Tribune

"To say what you feel is to dig your own grave," Sharon Van Etten sang Thursday at a packed Thalia Hall. For the Brooklyn-based musician, the words — and her spare cover of the solemn song, Sinead O'Connor's "Black Boys on Mopeds," to which they belong — served both literal and symbolic purpose. That the moment arrived in the middle of Van Etten's commanding performance further underlined the transitional themes that coursed through the first show of her sold-out two-night stand.

Having recently returned from a nearly five-year hiatus that witnessed the vocalist become a mother, attend college, write a film score and embrace professional acting, Van Etten is no longer the same artist who appeared en route to achieving household-name recognition in 2014. Despite the increasing success, the intimate and grieving nature of her prior material, much of it drawn directly from her own unhealthy relationships, took a personal toll. She retreated from the industry, and when last month she released a new album, the keyboard-dominant "Remind Me Tomorrow," Van Etten debuted a transformed sound to

accompany her altered perspective.

Never one to back down from challenging herself or the audience, Van Etten played every song off the record during an 80-minute concert filled with questions, risk, perseverance and hope. She framed several tunes as dialogues with herself, pairing the uncertainty of the lyrics with droning synthesizer-led arrangements steeped in tension, darkness and dissonance. An ace backing band supplied a balance of nightclub-ready grooves, syncopated beats and claustrophobic atmospherics. "Jupiter 4" and "Memorial Day" kneaded haunted soundscapes out of manipulated radio-borne frequencies. The pulsing "Comeback Kid" extended an invitation to dance all the while issuing stern warnings via an industrial grind.

Dressed in a crushed-velvet pantsuit and often free from the confines of an instrument, Van Etten shifted her phrasing, tone and volume at will. The 37-year-old's voice floated in calm passages, spit venom amid forceful releases and moved from low to high registers with uncommon smoothness. Whispered, husky deliveries lurked in the shadows on "No One's Easy to Love" as convincingly as heavy sighs combined with light, relaxing rhythms to

mirror the sensation of water lapping against a coastline on "Tarifa." During the hailstorm of emotion that poured down on the guitar-driven "Hands," the singer howled with bloody, cathartic intent.

On such songs, Van Etten sought to reconcile the past and present, attack and surrender. The process witnessed exhilaration (the pop-savvy "Seventeen"), sadness (the confessional albeit mysterious "I Told You Everything") and the faded nostalgic warmth that sometimes falls between (the reminiscent "Mali-bu"). It also led the singer to find — if not firm resolution — then at least positive liberation on multiple occasions.

Van Etten merged her earlier rock approach with her newer, experimental palettes on the amps-buzzing "Serpents," conveyed with a knives-out menace and bulletproof confidence that left no doubt who was in control. "Stay" explored romance from a softer spectrum, one still marked by apprehension yet involving trust, safety and a chance of permanency. For someone as scarred as Van Etten, the harmony-rich ballad represented a pronounced shift toward optimism and healing — and a fitting message for Valentine's Day.

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## IN PERFORMANCE

"The Father" ★★ 1/2

# The agonies of dementia

By **CHRIS JONES**  
Chicago Tribune

Now in its Chicago premiere from the Remy Bumppo Theatre Company, Florian Zeller's "The Father" is a play about dementia, that late-in-life affliction that can take down a giant personality, or an epic intelligence, or the most connected of hearts, with the cruelty of a bullet to the head.

May you or someone you love be spared its subject. It leaves an indelible mark on those of us who have witnessed its ravages.

"The Father," a widely acclaimed French work penned in 2012, and translated into English by Christopher Hampton, was seen on Broadway in 2016 with Frank Langella in the leading role. It is distinctive for the author's description of this play as a "tragic farce," and for the work's attempts to climb into the mind of the victim and try and see the world from his shifting perspective. This isn't some soft-gauze drama about a beloved paternal figure fading gently into the sunset, much to the sadness of his family. It's a portrait of an internal battle for some semblance of sanity. Its central character, played in Kay Martinovich's production at Theater Wit by David Darlow, has anger worthy of "King Lear." And for some who've lived around dementia, it will bring back difficult memories.



MICHAEL COURIER PHOTO

Anish Jethmalani, Linda Gillum and David Darlow in "The Father."

**When:** Through March 3

**Where:** Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.

**Running time:** 1:30

**Tickets:** \$37.75-\$57.75 at 773-975-8150 or remybumpo.org

The problem, of course, is with ascribing tragic status to dementia. Tragedy in its classic definition is all about flaws—specifically arrogance. We can't help getting dementia. Still, "The Father" is a fascinating, if very difficult, play. It must be truly awful to have a perspective that no one else shares and a reality that everyone questions. I've never seen a dramatic work that captures that conundrum with such chilling accuracy.

But this production doesn't fully work, for a number of reasons. One is the lack of clarity around the characters (Linda Gillum, Alys Dickerson, Anish Jethmalani, Laura Resinger and Bobby Wilhelmsen) orbiting around Darlow's Andre. What are they thinking and feeling? Do they

have vulnerabilities of their own? What are *their* realities? In this show, these characters are overly flat, neutral and disconnected from any whole you are able to grasp. It is as no-one really figures out the planes and ridges of the overall dramatic landscape.

Darlow is a formidably authentic actor, and his flailing gravitas makes for a few extraordinary moments in this piece, but the show never takes hold of your emotions, nor your gag reflexes, as it should and it never sufficiently intensifies. It's hard to play an unlikely man suffering from a condition that engenders only sympathy, but that's the task here. This is a cold-eyed play about the cruelty of aging, and about how the ground is always shifting under our feet. Those realities need more dynamism in their expression.

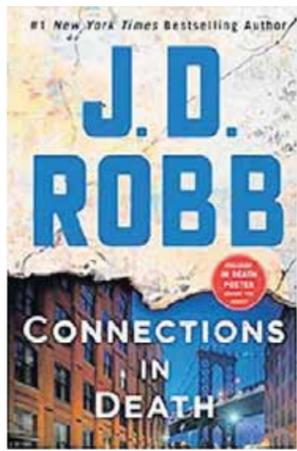
Taken as a whole, there is much here of worth and craft, but the production needs to find more courage to leave the middle of dial and head for the danger zone.

*Chris Jones is a Tribune critic.*

## NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

### HARDCOVER FICTION

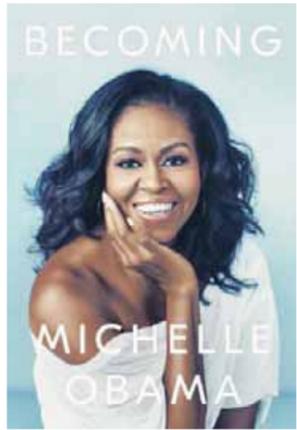
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- 2. **"Where the Crawdads Sing"** by Delia Owens (Putnam, \$27) *Last week:* 1
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- 4. **"The Silent Patient"** by Alex Michaelides (Celadon, \$26.99) *Last week:* —
- 5. **"Liar Liar: A Harriet Blue Novel"** by James Patterson and Candice Fox (Little, Brown, \$28) *Last week:* 2
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- 10. **"Crucible: A Sigma Force Novel"** by James Rollins (Morrow, \$28.99) *Last week:* 4

### HARDCOVER NONFICTION

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



- 2. **"Girl, Wash Your Face: Stop Believing the Lies About Who You Are So You Can Become Who You Were Meant to Be"** by Rachel Hollis (Nelson, \$22.99) *Last week:* 3
- 3. **"Educated: A Memoir"** by Tara Westover (Random House, \$28) *Last week:* 4
- 4. **"From the Ground Up: A Journey to Reimagine the Promise of America"** by Howard Schultz (Random House, \$28) *Last week:* 2
- 5. **"It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered"** by Lysa TerKeurst (Nelson, \$24.99) *Last week:* 6
- 6. **"Leadershift: The 11 Essential Changes Every Leader Must Embrace"** by John C. Maxwell (HarperCollins Leadership, \$27.99) *Last week:* —
- 7. **"31-Day Food Revolution: Heal Your Body, Feel Great, and Transform Your World"** by Ocean Robbins (Grand Central, \$28) *Last week:* —
- 8. **"Brave, Not Perfect: Fear Less, Fail More, and Live Bolder"** by Reshma Saujani (Currency, \$25) *Last week:* —
- 9. **"Digital Minimalism: Choosing a Focused Life in a Noisy World"** by Cal Newport (Portfolio, \$26) *Last week:* —
- 10. **"The Theft of America's Soul: Blowing the Lid Off the Lies That Are Destroying Our Country"** by Phil Robertson (Nelson, \$24.99) *Last week:* —

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## ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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### In-laws' smoking leads to quandary

**Dear Amy:** My in-laws recently relocated to a town about seven hours away. They are very excited about retirement and about their new home, and they are hoping that we (along with other family members) will visit often, including over holidays. They used to live closer to us, and when we visited we would stay just for the day. However, now with the travel distance my husband wants us to stay with them for two (or more) nights. My issue is that my in-laws are both heavy smokers (and have been for many years).

I find the cigarette smoke very offensive and toxic. I feel unhealthy around it. Every item we bring into their home reeks of smoke when we leave. Getting a hotel room for these future visits is out of the question — my husband has said they would be offended and very hurt.

I fear this will be a wedge in my marriage and that it could divide us during holidays. I need advice on how to approach this without "calling in sick" each time we are invited to stay with them.

— Smoke-Sensitive Wife

**Dear Smoke-Sensitive:** You are presenting your dilemma and then dismissing the most logical solution to your problem, which is for you to say to your in-laws: "I hope you understand my choice, but I really struggle being around cigarette smoke. I'm eager to see you and spend time with you, but I know it would be best if I stayed overnight in a hotel during our visit. I'm looking forward to our time together."

This simple, polite statement of fact is nothing more than a summation of your own needs.

Smokers know their habit is toxic to themselves and other people. That's why they can basically now only smoke in their own homes (and sometimes, not even there). You are not asking your in-laws to change anything about themselves.

Despite the health risks, your husband might prefer to stay overnight with his folks in their house. And your response to that should be, "Of course, honey, I understand completely." Must married couples be joined at the hip? I hope not.

**Dear Amy:** I met a girl in my TOEFL English course. We are a group of four students — me, a Korean dude, this girl and her friend. We sit at a round table mainly to practice conversation. I noticed the girl looking at me a lot. But last class, she did not even pay attention to the class contents. She kept on watching me.

When I looked at her, sometimes she looked away. But some other times we kept on looking at each other, as if she was waiting for one of us to laugh. She's really good at steady looking. She's also very sexy.

She's kind of chained to her friend. They are always chatting and hanging together. This prevents me from talking to this girl. We live in the same neighborhood, but I haven't asked her where, exactly.

When we engage in a conversation, we act as if we are chatting in a bar (and she laughs about every comment I make, in

a good way). But after that role-play, the bubble pops, and I go blank. So far, I haven't dared to talk to her after classes. I end up going back home, talking to myself and saying, "What am I gonna do?"

— Shy Guy

**Dear Shy:** Here's what you're going to do: You're going to go for it. Say to her (and her friend), "You want to continue our English lesson over coffee (or bubble tea, or a drink)? I know a good place. Let's keep practicing!"

Don't leave out the "Korean dude." Perhaps he could make conversation with the friend while you concentrate on your crush.

**Dear Amy:** Regarding the question from "Secretive Searcher," who is stalking a therapist via the bank's electronic account records. I'm a former IT specialist in banking. "Searcher" should be aware that employee activity is audited by the bank's system software. Logging and auditing functions will correlate that this customer's records are being accessed by the same staff member without any corresponding account transactions. Subsequently, stuff will get real in a hurry for "Searcher."

— John

**Dear John:** This was quite alarming. I think it would be best for "Searcher," as well as the therapist, if they were caught.

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# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Delta Goodrem

**“Olivia Newton-John: Hopelessly Devoted to You”** (7 p.m., 10:03 p.m., 11:59 p.m., Lifetime): Delta Goodrem takes the title role in this 2019 biopic that chronicles the eventful professional and personal journey of the beloved English-Australian songbird and actress, whose five-decade career has included such high points as starring in the blockbuster movie version of “Grease.”

**“College Basketball”** (11 a.m., FOX): Big Ten Conference basketball comes to the forefront when the Michigan Wolverines host Anthony Cowan Jr. and the Maryland Terrapins. This is the first of two meetings for these two programs, which could determine how things shake up later in the postseason. Michigan has been a top-five team much of the season while the Terps haven’t been too far behind them.

**“Deadpool 2”** (7 p.m., 11 p.m., HBO): There was definitely no sophomore slump with this 2018 sequel to the 2016 darkly comic superhero blockbuster, with Ryan Reynolds returning as the snarky title character. The story finds Wade Wilson (Reynolds) reluctantly agreeing to join the X-Men after his beloved fiancée Vanessa (Morena Baccarin) is murdered by an assassin. While mourning that traumatic loss, Deadpool and his fellow mutants try to stop Cable (Josh Brolin).

**“Oprah Winfrey Presents: SuperSoul Conversations”** (7 p.m., 10 p.m., 1 a.m., 2 a.m., OWN): Oprah Winfrey welcomes three newsmakers of 2018 — two from Hollywood, one from the political realm — in a series of one-on-one interviews. Michael B. Jordan starred in the 2018 superhero blockbuster “Black Panther.” Bradley Cooper is currently a multiple Oscar nominee for “A Star Is Born.” Beto O’Rourke nearly won his bid for a U.S. Senate seat in Texas.

**“2019 NBA All-Star Saturday Night”** (7 p.m., TNT): The NBA’s 69th All-Star game is one day away, which means tonight is all about showing off. Expect All-Stars like Giannis Antetokounmpo of the Milwaukee Bucks and Kawhi Leonard of the Toronto Raptors to strut their stuff. The skills challenge and three-point shooting contest are always interesting, but what really excites the fans is the slam-dunk contest, won last year by Donovan Mitchell of the Utah Jazz.

**“Midnight Sun”** (8 p.m., Showtime): Adapted from a 2006 Japanese film of the same title, Scott Speer’s 2018 romantic drama stars Bella Thorne as Katie Price, a teenager who suffers from a rare condition that prevents her from going out into the sunlight. Her days are spent housebound, with only her father (Rob Riggle) and best friend (Quinn Shephard) for occasional company. A sensitive hunk (Patrick Schwarzenegger) falls for her after they meet on a series of nighttime dates.

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## SATURDAY EVENING, FEB. 16

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	<b>CBS</b> 2	Ransom: “Justice.” (Season Premiere) (N) © HD	NCIS: “Destiny’s Child.” © HD	48 Hours (N) © HD	News (N) ▶			
	<b>NBC</b> 5	America’s Got Talent: “The Champions Finals.” © HD		Saturday Night Live (N) © HD	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)			
	<b>ABC</b> 7	America’s Funniest Home Videos © HD	America’s Funniest Home Videos © HD	20/20 © HD	Eyewitness News (N) ▶			
	<b>WGN</b> 9	The 50th Miss Black America Pageant ©	blackish © HD	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) © HD	Man of the People (N)			
	<b>Antenna</b> 9.2	B. Miller	B. Miller	Soap ©	Soap ©	Johnny Carson ©		
	<b>This TV</b> 9.3	The Saint ©		The Saint ©		The Saint ▶		
	<b>PBS</b> 11	Doc Martin: “Accidental Hero.” (N) ©		Shakespeare and Hathaway (N)		Father Brown: “The Hand of Lucia.” ©		Victoria-Master ▶
	<b>The U</b> 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad
	<b>MeTV</b> 26.3	Svengoolie: “The Creature From the Black Lagoon.”				Lost in Space ©		B. Rogers ▶
	<b>H&amp;I</b> 26.4	Hunter: “Teen Dreams.”	Hunter: “Last Run.”			Hunter		Hill Street ▶
	<b>Bounce</b> 26.5	Assault on Precinct 13 (R)	A Man Apart (R, ‘03) *	Vin Diesel, Larenz Tate.				The Score ▶
	<b>FOX</b> 32	Boxing: PBC: Leo Santa Cruz vs. Rafael Rivera. (N) (Live) HD				Fox 32 News	Flannery Fired Up	Hell’s Kitchen ▶
	<b>Ion</b> 38	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU ▶
	<b>Telem</b> 44	Despicbl 2	Babel (R, ‘06) ***	Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett. ©				Noticiero
	<b>CW</b> 50	Chicago P.D. © HD	Chicago P.D. © HD			Dateline © HD		Dateline ▶
<b>UniMas</b> 60	(5:30) The Mexican **		The Other Woman (PG-13, ‘14) **		Cameron Diaz.		Yuma ▶	
<b>WJYS</b> 62	Refuge	Moses	Bishop	ReJoyce	Pol-News		Paid Prog.	
<b>Univ</b> 66	(6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)				Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) ▶			
CABLE	<b>AE</b>	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©		Live PD: “Live PD -- 02.16.19.” (N) © ▶				
	<b>AMC</b>	(5:30) Twister (‘96) ***	Planet Earth: Dynasties (N) ©			(9:25) Jurassic Park III ▶		
	<b>ANIM</b>	Pit Bulls and Parolees	Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)	The Zoo: “Babies.” ©		The Zoo ▶		
	<b>BBCA</b>	Planet Earth: Blue II		Planet Earth: Dynasties (Season Finale) (N) ©		Planet Earth: Blue II		
	<b>BET</b>	(7:03) Creed (PG-13, ‘15) ***	Michael B. Jordan. Rocky Balboa mentors Apollo Creed’s son.					
	<b>BIGTEN</b>	Hockey (N)	College Basketball: Northwestern at Nebraska. (N) ©	Postgame		Journey (N)		
	<b>BRAVO</b>	(5:38) Meet the Fockers	(8:10) Meet the Parents (PG-13, ‘00) ***	Robert De Niro. ©				
	<b>CLTV</b>	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic. Best	Weekend	News (N)
	<b>CNBC</b>	Undercover Boss ©		Undercover Boss ©		Undercover Boss ©		Boss ▶
	<b>CNN</b>	CNN Newsroom (N)		RBG (PG, ‘18) ***	Ruth Bader Ginsburg. ©			Anthony ▶
	<b>COM</b>	(6:30) The Wedding Ringer (R, ‘15) **	Kevin Hart.			The Hangover Part II (R, ‘11) ** © ▶		
	<b>DISC</b>	Expedition Unknown ©		Expedition Unknown ©		Ed Stafford: First (N)		Expedition ▶
	<b>DISN</b>	Kim Possible (NR, ‘19)	Sadie Stanley.	Fast Layne		Sydney-Max	Coop	Bizaardvark
	<b>EL</b>	(5) La La Land (‘16) ***	La La Land (PG-13, ‘16) ***	Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone. © ▶				
	<b>ESPN</b>	College Basketball: Tennessee at Kentucky. (N) (Live)				College Basketball (N) ▶		
	<b>ESPN2</b>	College Basketball: Bradley at Illinois State. (N) (Live)				College Basketball (N) ▶		
	<b>FNC</b>	Watters’ World (N) ©		Justice With Jeanine (N)		Greg Gutfeld (N)		Watters ▶
	<b>FOOD</b>	Diners, Drive, In.	Diners, Drive, In.	Diners, Drive, In.		Diners, Drive, In.		Diners, Drive
	<b>FREE</b>	Ratatouille	(7:45) Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (PG, ‘92) **	Macaulay Culkin. © (SAP)				
	<b>FX</b>	Happy Death Day (PG-13, ‘17) **	Jessica Rothe. ©			The Maze Runner (PG-13, ‘14) ** © ▶		
	<b>HALL</b>	Love, Romance & Chocolate (NR, ‘19)	Lacey Chabert.			Moonlight in Vermont (NR, ‘17) © ▶		
	<b>HGTV</b>	Love It or List It ©		Love It or List It ©		House Hunters Reno (Season Premiere) (N)		Hammer
	<b>HIST</b>	Hacksaw Ridge (R, ‘16) ***	Andrew Garfield, Sam Worthington. ©					Pawn ▶
	<b>HLN</b>	Unmasking a Killer ©		Unmasking a Killer ©		Unmasking a Killer ©		Forensic ▶
	<b>IFC</b>	(4) Braveheart (‘95) ***	Planet Earth: Dynasties (N) ©			Django Unchained *** ▶		
<b>LIFE</b>	Olivia Newton-John: Hopelessly Devoted to You (Premiere) (N)				Olivia, Story (N)		Olivia ▶	
<b>MSNBC</b>	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		11th Hour ▶	
<b>MTV</b>	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	
<b>NBCSCH</b>	Pregame (N)	NHL Hockey: Columbus Blue Jackets at Chicago Blackhawks. (N) (Live)			College Basketball (N) ▶		Postgame	
<b>NICK</b>	Henry (N)	Cousins (N)	Knight (N)	Henry	The Office	The Office	Friends ▶	
<b>OVATION</b>	(6) Fallen (R, ‘98) **	Denzel Washington.			Riviera (N)		YoungGun ▶	
<b>OWN</b>	Conversations (N)		Iyanla, Fix My Life (N) ©		Love & Marriage (N)		Conversat. ▶	
<b>OXY</b>	Cold Justice ©		Smiley Face Killers		Snapped ©		A Killer ▶	
<b>PARMT</b>	(6:40) Battleship (PG-13, ‘12) **	Taylor Kitsch. ©			Walking Tall (‘04) ** © ▶			
<b>SYFY</b>	The Last Witch Hunter **	London Has Fallen (R, ‘16) **	Gerard Butler. ©		Futurama ▶			
<b>TBS</b>	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Drop/Mic	Joker’s Wild	Full Frontal	
<b>TCM</b>	It’s a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World (G, ‘63) ***	Spencer Tracy, Edie Adams. ©					Great Rce. ▶	
<b>TLC</b>	Say Yes to the Dress: “Cheetah Bride.” (N) ©				Conversations (N)		Say Yes ▶	
<b>TLN</b>	Exalted		Pacific Garden Mission		In Grace		Humanitarian	
<b>TNT</b>	2019 NBA All-Star Saturday Night (N) (Live) ©						Miracle	
<b>TOON</b>	Dragon	Dragon Ball	Rick, Morty	Rick, Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy	Dragon (N)	
<b>TRAV</b>	Demon House: Uncut (NR, ‘18)	Zak Bagans. ©					Ghost ▶	
<b>TVL</b>	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	King	
<b>USA</b>	Fast		Thor: The Dark World (PG-13, ‘13) **		Chris Hemsworth. ©		Tempt. ▶	
<b>VH1</b>	(6:30) Bad Boys (R, ‘95) **	Martin Lawrence. ©			Bad Boys II (R, ‘03) **		Will Smith © ▶	
<b>WE</b>	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal ▶	
<b>WGN America</b>	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Blood ▶	
PREMIUM	<b>HBO</b>	Deadpool 2 (R, ‘18) ***	Ryan Reynolds. ©			True Detective ©		True Det ▶
	<b>HBO2</b>	(6:58) Veep	Miracle at St. Anna (R, ‘08) **	Derek Luke, Michael Ealy. ©			Queens ▶	
	<b>MAX</b>	King Arthur (PG-13, ‘04) **	Clive Owen. ©			(9:10) Robin Hood (PG-13, ‘10) ** ▶		
	<b>SHO</b>	(6) I Feel Pretty (‘18) **		Midnight Sun (PG-13, ‘18) * ©				SMILF ©
	<b>STARZ</b>	(6:25) Wreck-it Ralph		(8:09) Howards End ©		(9:11) Counterpart ©		Sin City (R) ▶
<b>STZNC</b>	(7:02) I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry * ©				Black Sails: “XIX.” ©		Amr Psych ▶	

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### Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (Feb. 16): Fortune flows through strong community connections this year. Plan and coordinate your moves for greatest impact. Summer brings physical energy to your work before a period of private planning. Find fresh winter inspiration that benefits your health and work.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Structural malfunctions could create a mess at home. Fix something before it breaks. Consider long-term impacts, and invest in quality materials. Prioritize family.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Communications could misfire or backfire. Slow down, and think things through before you speak. Consider long-term consequences of your words. It's OK to be quiet too.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 7. Unexpected expenses or budget gaps could pre-empt your spending plans. Carefully monitor the situation. Stick to facts. Hold out for the best deal.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. Your personal plans may not go as imagined. Breakdowns or delays could slow the action. Watch for changes in plans. Avoid controversy and recharge.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 6. Choose private over public engagements. Pass on an expensive outing. Peace and quiet suit your mood. Sort and organize. Clean up a mess.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Share what you're learning. You may discover the limitations of a group effort. Not everyone sees things the same way. Avoid saying what you'd later regret.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Do more research before advancing a professional idea. Listen to your team's considerations. Don't test the limits now. Avoid a conflict of interests.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Take a break along your journey. It's not a great time for travel. Study your options, and avoid a pitfall. Structural barriers block the path.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Think of someone who needs you. Make inroads quietly. Anticipate resistance, and take a time out when needed. Share resources and support with a partner.

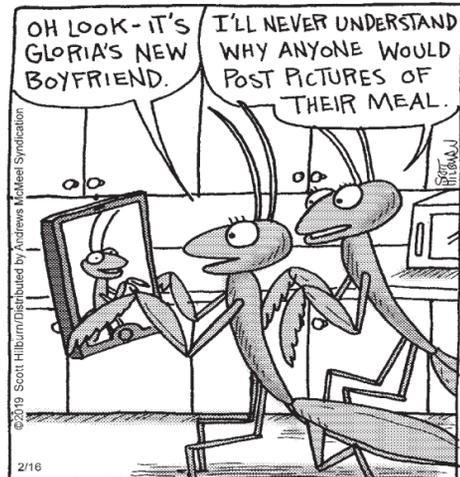
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Pay extra attention to your partner to avoid miscommunications that could fester into arguments. Listen generously. Forgiveness is divine.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Better safe than sorry. Slow to avoid accidents. Anticipate some resistance. Cutting corners costs you. Avoid distractions, overextending and overindulging. Nurture your health.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Have patience with someone you love. Avoid another's argument. Words may not come out as planned. Family comes first. Provide an open heart.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater



### Bliss



### Bridge

Both vulnerable, West deals

**North**

- ♠ A K 8 3
- ♥ Q 10 2
- ♦ A 6 4
- ♣ A Q 5

**East**

- ♠ 10 6 5
- ♥ 9 8 5
- ♦ 10
- ♣ 10 7 6 4 3 2

**South**

- ♠ Q J 7 4
- ♥ 7 4
- ♦ Q 8 7 3 2
- ♣ K 9

South correctly evaluated his hand as worth 9-10 points when he jumped to two spades. North's raise to game was routine.

West continued with the king of hearts at trick two and, with nothing better to do, led a third heart to dummy's queen. South noted that East followed to all three hearts.

**The bidding:**

West	North	East	South
1♥	Dbl	Pass	2♠
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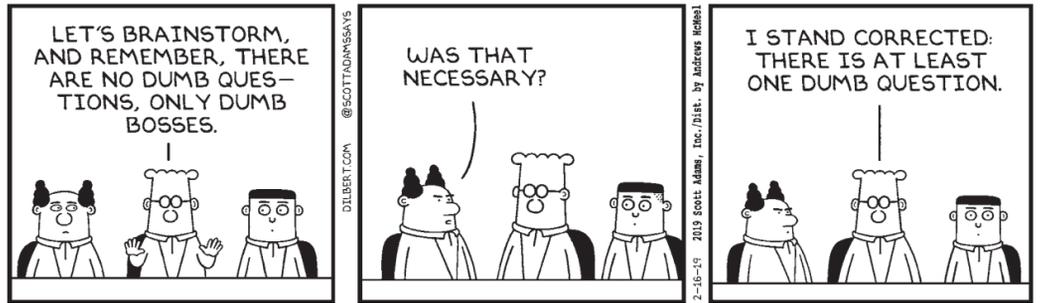
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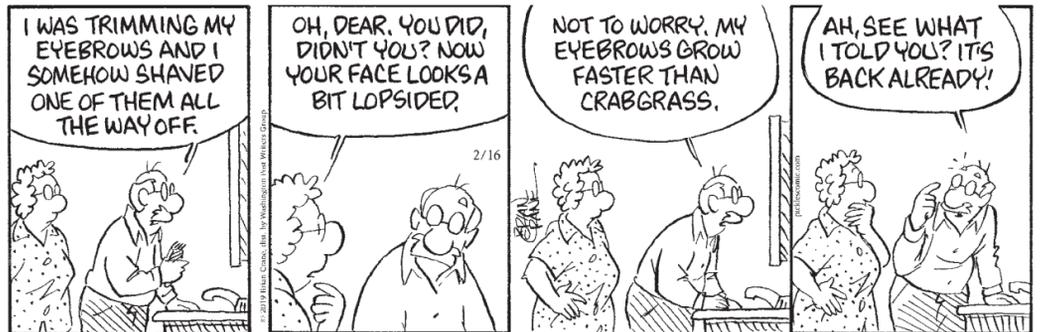
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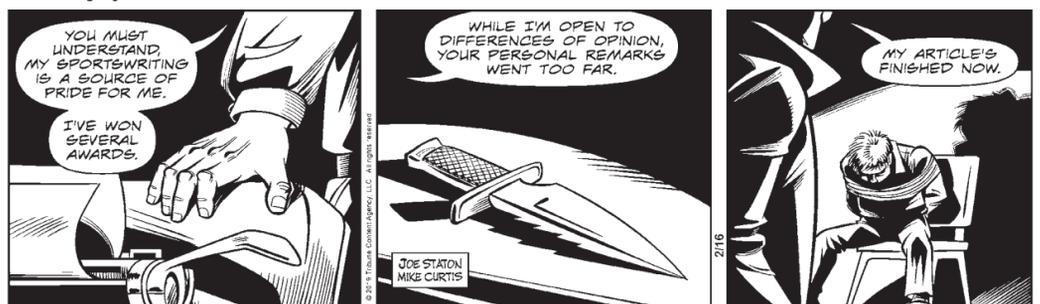
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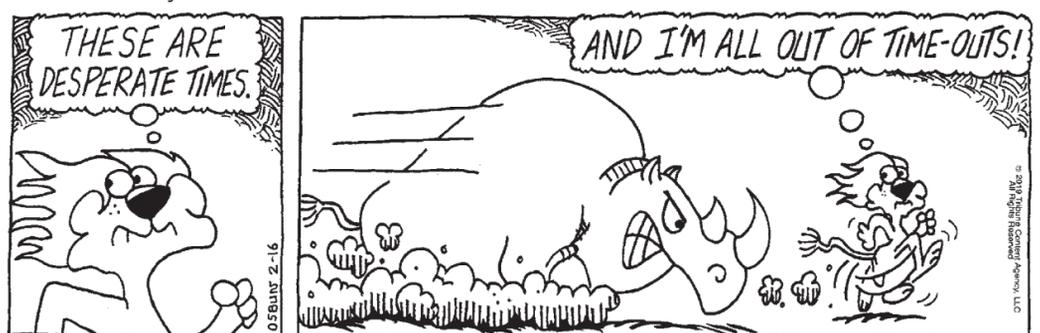
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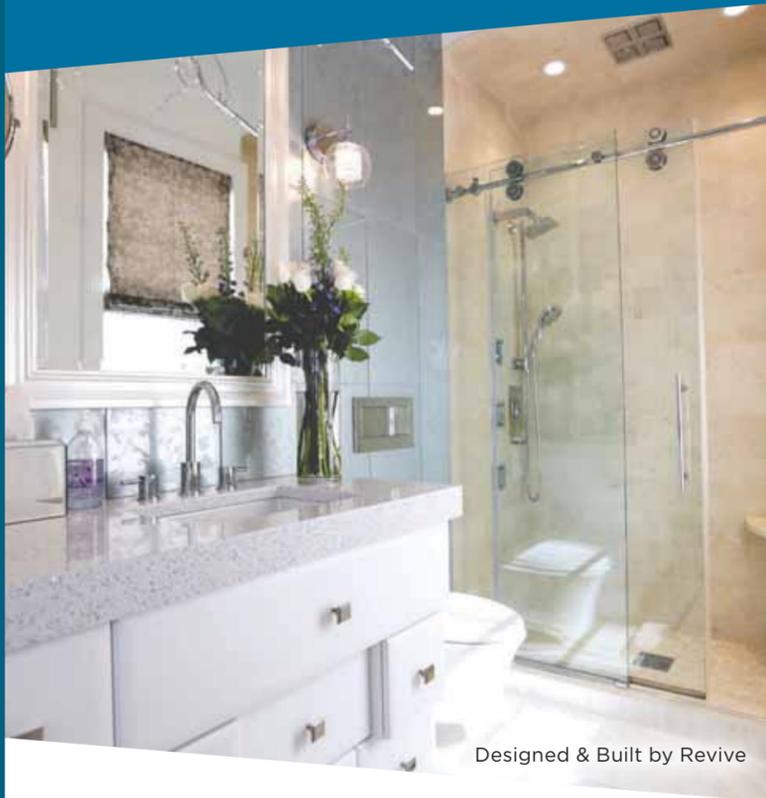
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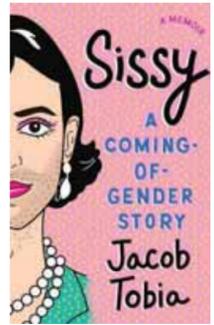
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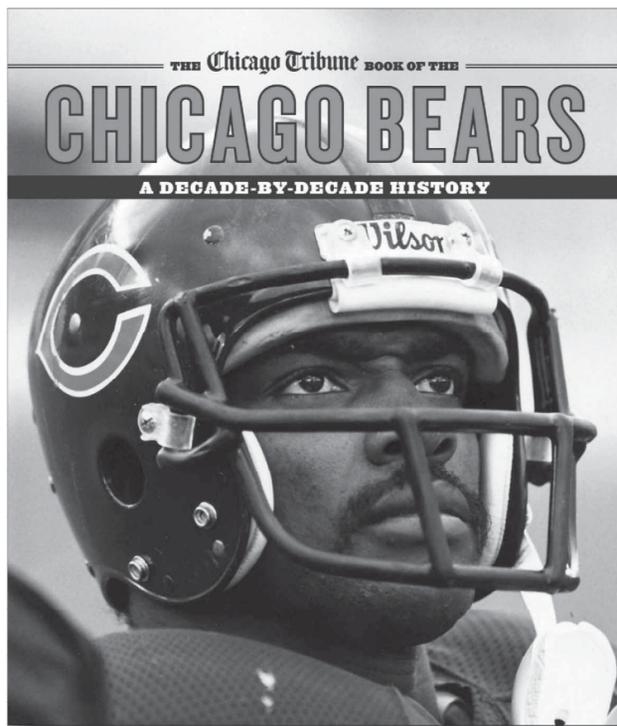
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## BULLS

### 'A couple tricks in my bag'

LaVine ponders return to Slam Dunk Contest in Chicago next year

By K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

Zach LaVine couldn't let the three-year anniversary of his epic Slam Dunk Contest with Aaron Gordon pass without acknowledgment.

"Time flies. Best Dunk Contest of our generation. Rematch one day? @youngheigordon" LaVine posted on his Instagram account Wednesday.

How about at the United Center on Feb. 16, 2020?

#### NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND

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"I still got a couple tricks in my bag — I'm a showman," LaVine said coyly. "As long as I'm in the All-Star Game, I'll be OK. I might do it. I'm not committing to it yet, but if I'm feeling good, I might."

Just as with his clinching 2016 dunk, in which he put the ball between his legs and dunked from

a takeoff one step inside the free-throw line, LaVine leaves fans wanting for more.

That dunk during Toronto's All-Star weekend marked LaVine's fourth straight perfect score of 50 to defeat Gordon in double overtime. With this year's dunk contest on tap Saturday, the LaVine-Gordon duel remains the recent gold standard.

"It was just a battle," LaVine said. "It went to that overtime period and it was just who had more dunks. It kind of ruined it for me because it wasted some of my dunks for the next year or years to come."

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Zach LaVine, then with the Timberwolves, put on a winning performance at the 2016 Slam Dunk Contest during All-Star Weekend.

## WHITE SOX

### Ex-mates: Machado a good fit for Sox

Coveted free agent earns Dodgers' praise despite controversies

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN  
Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The Dodgers and White Sox share a stadium at Camelback Ranch in Phoenix's west suburbs. They might be able to share memories one day of life with Manny Machado.

The Sox remain in hot pursuit of the player the Dodgers acquired at the 2018 All-Star break, an abundantly talented infielder who helped them reach the World Series and then drew national scorn for his comments about hustling.

"He was awesome," Dodgers third baseman Justin Turner told the Tribune on Friday. "He's an exciting guy who could change the game with one swing of the bat."

How would he fit in with the Sox?

"Half his family is over there," Turner cracked, "so I imagine he'd fit right in."

Indeed, the Sox traded for Yonder Alonso, Machado's brother-in-law, and signed Jon Jay, Machado's close friend.

Turner played it down the middle on Machado's "Johnny Hustle" comment: "Whatever everyone makes of it is what they make of it. You can take it with a grain of salt or (say) it rubbed you the wrong way, but everyone will react to it differently."

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The Dodgers went 39-28 after acquiring Manny Machado at the All-Star break, then reached the World Series.



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Addison Russell speaks Friday about his suspension for domestic abuse as, below, manager Joe Maddon and President Theo Epstein listen.

# Hoping for hope

Russell sounds remorseful — but Cubs fans will be the jury

MESA, Ariz. — The Cubs kicked off apology week Friday at Sloan Park, where Addison Russell appeared before the media for the first time and accepted responsibility for his actions that led to a 40-game suspension for violating Major League Baseball domestic violence policy.

Next on tap is Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts, who will address the racist and Islamophobic emails of his father, Joe Ricketts, at a Monday news conference.

The start of spring training usually is a time to spread the word of hope.

Unfortunately for the Cubs, this spring begins with apologies



PAUL SULLIVAN  
On the Cubs

for actions and words that have no place in society. The organization has been put under a microscope thanks to Russell and Joe Ricketts, and we'll see if it can return to the place that brought so much joy to Chicago only a few years ago.

With Cubs President Theo Epstein standing in the back of the media room, Russell answered questions related to the alleged abuse of his ex-wife, Melisa Reidy, which he originally denied in a statement last fall.

"Through counseling I now have a better understanding of what domestic abuse is," Russell

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#### ON THE CLOCK

40 Days until the Cubs season begins March 28 against the Rangers in Arlington, Texas.

#### MORE BASEBALL

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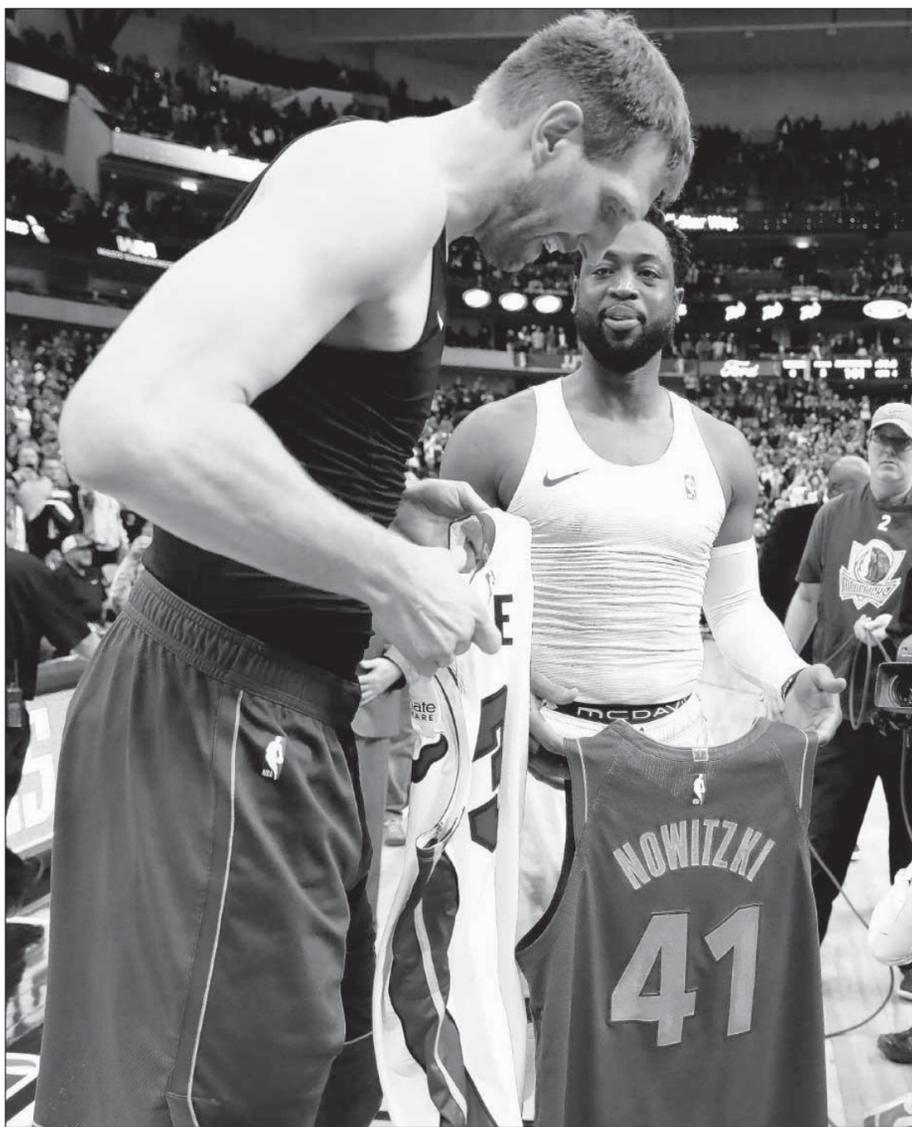
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## NBA



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Dirk Nowitzki left, and Dwyane Wade talk as they swap jerseys after the Heat-Mavs game Wednesday.

# Shared journey

Nowitzki, Wade are together at All-Star Game one last time

BY SCHUYLER DIXON  
Associated Press

DALLAS — Of all the opposing jerseys Dwyane Wade has collected during his final NBA season, Dirk Nowitzki's was among those the Heat star wanted the most and somehow seemed worried he wouldn't get.

Maybe it had something to do with the "frosty" phase of their relationship as the Mavericks icon described the strain after the Heat's victory over the Mavericks in the 2006 NBA Finals. Maybe Wade thought such a display wouldn't be possible on Mavs owner Mark Cuban's court.

In reality, Wade didn't need to worry about Nowitzki turning down his jersey request.

The two-time finals foes are elder statesmen in the league now, a coexistence better defined by sharing honorary All-Star status this weekend than bitterness over a championship lost to a rival.

"You appreciate having someone like that that's a part of your journey, that pushes you," Wade said a few hours before that jersey swap took place near midcourt following the Heat's 112-101 victory in Dallas on Wednesday. "We're an important part of each other's story."

NBA Commissioner Adam Silver added Wade and Nowitzki as All-Star extras for Sunday's game in Charlotte, N.C., with the 37-year-old Wade already saying his 16th season will be his last and the

40-year-old Nowitzki's record 21st season with the same franchise having the feel of an unofficial farewell tour.

After winning his first title on the Mavericks' home court in 2006, Wade wasn't thrilled with complaints that the Heat — and their star in particular — got a huge assist from the officials. He eventually shot back that the Mavericks might have won with better leadership from Nowitzki.

When Nowitzki was on his way to payback with a title five years later, Wade and LeBron James mocked Nowitzki by faking coughs in front of cameras after that year's finals MVP made the decisive bucket in a critical Game 4 win while playing with a fever.

Those days are long gone, replaced by mutual admiration for players in supporting roles on teams with little hope of winning titles after years as pressure-laden leading men for franchises that were among the elite.

"I always say he pushed me to become the player in '11 to ultimately win," Nowitzki said of Wade. "There were some things said after the '06 finals, and both sides didn't love it. There were some times that we didn't speak much, but I always watched from afar."

Wade won his second and third titles — both with James — the first two years after losing to the Mavericks. He essentially said the same thing about his experience of losing to Nowitzki.

"We don't lose that finals in '11, we're still going, me and 'Bron still fighting it out to see who's the best," Wade said. "I took a step back at that point to kind of let

him take over an organization that I would call mine before that."

The Mavericks haven't won a playoff series since taking the franchise's only title and have ground to make up if they want to avoid missing the postseason for the third straight year.

The Heat had one playoff series victory in the four years after going to the finals in each of James' four seasons. They have more realistic playoff hopes than the Mavericks this year, but only because the Eastern Conference is more forgiving.

None of that will matter as the All-Stars celebrate two players with 27 appearances between them. This will be 14 for Nowitzki, the German who is the only foreign-born player among the NBA's seven 30,000-point scorers, and 13 for Wade.

The most competitive part of Nowitzki's weekend will come in the 3-point contest Saturday night — he's the only 7-footer to win it (in 2006). And he'll be one of the coaches in the Rising Stars game, leading Mavs rookie sensation Luka Doncic.

As for the game Sunday, Nowitzki expects his role to be about like that of an extra in the movies — very minor.

"It's going to be fun to be part of and watch, maybe coach some, maybe get in for a minute or two," the 2007 NBA MVP said. "But really that game is more about the guys that deserve to be there and got voted in."

Added Wade: "This is a lot different for what we're looking to get out of it. I'm glad it is me and Dirk. I think it fits. I think it's right and I'm appreciative of it."

## LaVine pondering Dunk Contest return

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"We put on a show that won't happen for a very long time. I think that was the best dunk contest for our generation of players — since the Vince Carter one (in 2000). But with both players doing it? That was one of the best dunk contests ever."

Gordon registered three perfect scores before judges Tracy McGrady, Dikembe Mutombo and George Gervin each gave a score of "9" for his fourth dunk, an acrobatic offering in which he pretended to tomahawk with two hands from behind his head before dropping the ball all the way down between his legs while in the air and then raising it again to slam.

"His dunks were just as good as mine, if not better," LaVine said. "It just came down to what the judges liked. You could put your hat in for anybody who won."

"He used the (Orlando Magic) mascot a lot (in the early rounds). He used props a lot and was jumping over things. I used mine

off the bounce or just tried to be creative in the air.

"People say he won; I went home with the trophy. I mean, I went between the legs from the free-throw line."

In fact, LaVine's final dunk, which actually started from one step inside the free-throw line, ranks as one of his two favorites.

"I had never tried that before," he said. "I just winged it. I knew I had to do something special."

LaVine's other favorite came when he went behind his back on a self-thrown alley-oop off the bounce as he beat Victor Oladipo in New York in 2015.

"I just remember the energy of the crowd and how I took it over a little bit," LaVine said of that contest. "After the first or second dunk, I could just feel the energy and how everything shifted to me taking that spotlight."

Then a rookie at just 19, LaVine began that contest by paying homage to Michael Jordan and his movie "Space Jam." Wearing a Jordan No. 23 jersey from the movie, he dunked on the oppo-

site side of the rim after catching a self-thrown alley-oop off the bounce and putting the ball between his legs while in flight.

"I thought it was something creative," LaVine said. "I'm not a big prop guy. I try to bring something that's just a little outside the dunk to make people get up and think about it."

Jordan threw down a few memorable dunks himself in winning, like LaVine, back-to-back titles in 1987 and 1988. The latter came the last time Chicago played host to the NBA All-Star Game. Jordan sealed his title by soaring in from the free-throw line at Chicago Stadium.

As for his pick to click Saturday night? LaVine said he watched Thunder rookie Hamidou Diallo in college at Kentucky and knows he's "extremely athletic off two feet" but also knows Knicks guard Dennis Smith Jr. has "a lot of tricks in his bag."

LaVine would know.

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## BLACKHAWKS

# Hoping fans get to know his name

But Koekkoek wants it to be because of his play

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD  
Chicago Tribune

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Go ahead and laugh at Blackhawks defenseman Slater Koekkoek's name.

You won't be alone. You can even get in line behind at least two members of the Koekkoek family.

"I don't have Twitter, but my sister sent me some funny things that people said (Thursday) night about my last name," Koekkoek said Friday.

"There was a funny one that said, 'Imagine waking up one day and naming your kid Slater ... last name 'Koekkoek.' I thought that was pretty funny."

Koekkoek, whose name is pronounced "cuckoo," has rarely been a topic of conversation among Hawks fans since he arrived last month in a trade that sent Jan Rutta and a seventh-round pick to the Lightning.

But that changed when he teamed up with a couple of somewhat better-known players — Patrick Kane and Jonathan Toews — for the Hawks' go-ahead goal in their 5-2 win over the Devils.

Koekkoek saw that Kane was about to cross into the Devils zone and skated in behind him. Kane stopped on a dime, twirled and sent a soft pass onto the stick of Koekkoek, who found Toews across the slot for a one-timer that gave the Hawks a 3-2 lead.

The assist was the 15th point of Koekkoek's career and first in a Hawks uniform.

"That was cool," Koekkoek said. "Whenever Kaner has the puck, you just know to try to get open, so I followed him on the rush and he made a sweet pass underneath the stick."

"When Tazer is scratching the rafters with his stick, you usually want to pass it over to him, so I tried to get it over there. You get him the puck when he's asking for it."

Koekkoek, the 10th pick in the

2012 draft, has played in only seven games since joining the Hawks but has made a strong impression on coach Jeremy Colliton.

"He's been a really nice surprise for us," Colliton said. "Obviously, we knew he had some potential and (he was) a high draft pick and kind of got blocked in Tampa Bay because they've got a pretty nice roster, but he continues to improve."

"He's a great skater. He's closing on people defensively and he's also not afraid to be physical in battle and getting us out of (the defensive) zone. Tazer's goal was a perfect example — he closed three times on the puck carrier in D-zone and found a way to create a turnover, and we capitalized in transition."

"That's what we're looking for out of our defensemen."

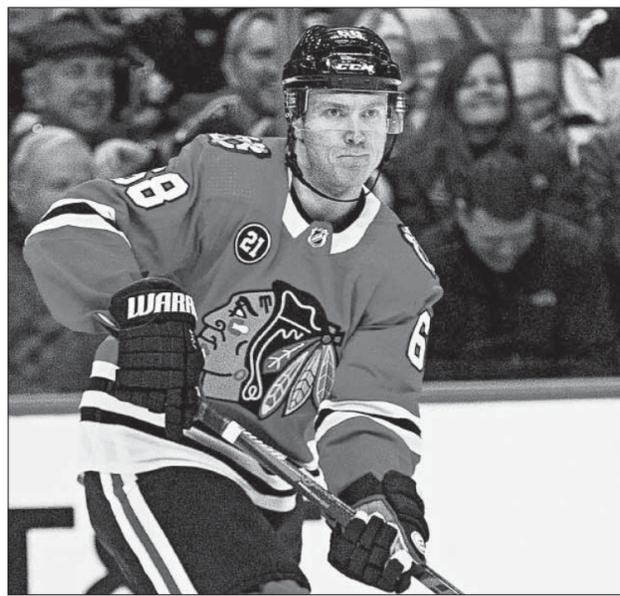
Koekkoek, who turns 25 on Monday, was teammates with Hawks forward Chris Kunitz last season on the Lightning, so he had a familiar face waiting for him when he arrived in Chicago. Still, it can be daunting when a player leaves the only organization he has known.

"The first day is like starting high school kind of," Koekkoek said. "You get here early, introduce yourself to everyone and make friends. It's kind of like one of those life experiences that comes back full circle."

"(Kunitz) brought me around, but other than that I was starting from scratch. But it was great; the guys were awesome."

Not all Hawks fans might know Koekkoek yet, but he has a pretty good idea of how to accelerate that process.

"Just keep making good passes to Toews," he said. "That will get my name known."



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Slater Koekkoek earned his first assist as a Blackhawk on Thursday when he helped set up a goal for Jonathan Toews against the Devils.

## BLACKHAWKS NOTES

## Out with concussion, Crawford 'ready to play'

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD  
Chicago Tribune

very well. We're excited about that."

Sitting at his locker after practice Friday, Blackhawks goalie Corey Crawford declared he's healthy and ready to return from a concussion that has sidelined him for two months.

But Crawford also acknowledged he might need a "few more practices to get timing back" and understands the Hawks' recent success will affect when he returns to game action.

The Hawks have gone 14-6-3 in Crawford's absence, including a current 8-1 stretch that has propelled them back into the playoff race.

"Obviously you don't want to come back in (and not) be at the top of my game," Crawford said. "We're in a pretty good run right now — a pretty good stretch. It's really thinking about what game do you throw me in. I'll leave that up to (coach Jeremy Colliton). Whenever they want to, I'm ready to play."

Colliton has steadfastly declined to discuss when Crawford would play again, not even saying if he thinks Crawford will play again this season.

"I don't have a crystal ball," Colliton said.

"We hope so. He's progressing

**Numbers game:** The Hawks hosted 8,000 students at the United Center on Friday, allowing them to view practice. Afterward they watched players bring math skills to life.

Dylan Strome, Alex DeBrincat and John Hayden were among the players who competed in three challenges as part of the "STEM Showcase" designed to measure speed, energy and angles.

**One-timers:** The Feb. 25 trade deadline is approaching, but Colliton doesn't think the Hawks' recent success will affect how they proceed. "The players and the coaches, we're going to try to win every game," Colliton said. "The organization's trying to build an elite team. I don't think the results are going to change how they approach the deadline." ... Colliton said the Hawks have no plans to bring back rookie defenseman Henri Jokiharju from Rockford. "He's where he should be for now," Colliton said. "Playing a lot, being a very important contributor there. And we're pretty happy with our group."

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## CUBS



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Addison Russell leaves a conference room after addressing the media Friday in Mesa, Ariz., about his suspension for domestic violence.

# 'I ... own this issue'

Suspended Russell takes responsibility for actions in domestic violence case

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Cubs shortstop Addison Russell admitted Friday to the “hurt” and “pain” he caused his ex-wife, Melisa Reidy, that resulted in a 40-game suspension for violating Major League Baseball’s domestic violence policy.

“I don’t want to get into any specifics, but what I do want to say is I am accountable for my past actions,” Russell said at a news conference at the team’s spring training complex. “I’m not proud of the person I was, but I do want to own this issue and take responsibility for the hurt and pain I’ve caused Melisa. And for that, I’m sorry.”

Russell’s verbal admission followed two written denials, one of which occurred after allegations surfaced on social media by a third party in the summer of 2017 and another after Reidy’s more detailed version more than a year later on Sept. 20 that caused the Cubs to place him on administrative leave and led to an MLB investigation and subsequent suspension.

Russell did admit guilt in a statement Nov. 30, after the Cubs elected to tender him a contract for the 2019 season after monitoring his MLB-mandated treatment. Friday marked his first public comments since being placed on administrative leave.

“I’ve had time to reflect,” Russell said. “Through counseling, I have a better understanding what domestic abuse really is. And I am committed into my work right now. That’s my main focus, and already I

see the benefits that come within that with my family and children.”

Russell, 25, immediately answered questions during a 19-minute news conference, speaking in a deliberate tone. On four occasions he said “Thank you” for a specific question.

Team President Theo Epstein, manager Joe Maddon and Julian Green, the Cubs vice president of communications and community affairs, attended the news conference.

Russell repeatedly acknowledged the pain he caused Reidy, his family, the organization and Cubs fans and stressed his attempts to become a better person. Russell said he hired a counselor two to three weeks before MLB’s mandated treatment program, adding that the counseling has helped educate him.

“Through counseling, I’ve expanded my definition on what domestic abuse is,” said Russell, who didn’t blame any outside factors for his past actions. “And it includes feeling like you’re the only person on an island, feeling isolated but also disrespected by someone who cares about you.”

Russell still must complete the rehab process to have any chance of the Cubs reinstating him May 1. He will be eligible to play in exhibition games before finishing the final 28 games of his suspension. The Cubs still could release him at any time.

But nearly all of his focus Friday was on taking the necessary steps to become a better person and regain the support of Cubs fans angry at his actions, as well as the organization’s decision to give him a second chance.

“I know I’m still early in this process,” Russell said. “And through this process, I realize that I’ve let a lot of people down. I’ve let Cubs fans down, my organization, my teammates, my family and also myself.

I’m doing everything in my power to become a better person, father, teammate, partner and provider. And through this process I believe I’ve already shown improvements, just coming home.

“I’m driven. I’ve always wanted to become a better person. I’m showing growth and improvements in areas that needed to. And my family is benefiting from that growth. I see it when I come home to my children. It’s a great feeling whenever you can communicate with your partner and your children and have a loving atmosphere, a loving home.”

Russell said he and Reidy now have a relationship “that is moving in the right direction. Instilling in our relationship at the core values would be having respect for one another, showing sympathy and empathy for each other’s position and effectively co-parenting our son.

“If we instill those things, we will effectively co-parent our son.”

Russell said his rehab process has been “hard, but I’m fully committed to this process.”

Before Russell spoke, Maddon echoed Epstein’s comments about the process being only in the “second” inning.

“There are so many ‘if’ components attached to this thing,” Maddon said. “But for right now, it appears he’s doing all the right things. The needle is pointing in the right direction, so I’m all about the patient process. Let’s see how it plays out and permit Addison to indicate to us he’s ready to take his place within our group again.”

Maddon said he hoped fans would understand that second chances “are a part of life.”

“It’s not even about baseball now.”

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## Fans will be the jury on Russell

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said, adding later: “The person who has been inflicted the most in this process is Melisa. And ... I want to own those actions and I am sorry for the hurt that I have caused Melisa and the pain that I put her through.”

Russell would not get into “specifics” but said that he’s committed to being a “better person,” that his teammates have shown support for him and his family and that he’s “sorry for the hurt and pain I’ve caused Melisa.”

How does Russell plan to regain the support of Cubs fans?

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“I’m doing everything in my power to become a better person, father, teammate, partner and provider, and through this process I believe I have already shown great improvement, just coming home.

“My family, my kids, we are creating a happy, healthy, lovable household.”

Whether Cubs fans will accept Russell is debatable.

Some no doubt never will forgive him. Others will point to other athletes who have overcome similar allegations and become good citizens.

The only recent example on the Cubs was Aroldis Chapman, whose acquisition in the middle of 2016 after serving a domestic violence suspension with the Yankees was met with much criticism.

By the time the Cubs were in the World Series, the only real criticism was aimed at manager Joe Maddon for overusing Chapman in Game 6 when they needed their closer fresh for Game 7.

There is no real answer. Whether you accept Russell is up to you.

“I personally think we’re doing the right thing, but I understand people that are critical to the approach we took,” Epstein said Tuesday. “There are people who are upset and think we should have just moved on. But I can at least pledge to those people that we’re taking this on earnestly, that it’s important to us. It’s not words; they’re actions.

“And I will continue to be transparent with (the media) and our fans about everything that we’re doing to attack this problem of domestic violence.”

Epstein is the one responsible for giving Russell a second chance, and he reiterated there are no guarantees Russell will be back. Epstein also is responsible for acquiring Chapman and Daniel Murphy, whose homophobic comments from years earlier with the Mets led some Cubs fans to vow they no longer would root for the team.

While the Murphy, Russell and Joe Ricketts situations may be separate issues, all three put the organization in a bad light.

What would Maddon say to fans who have decided they no longer can support the team because of these issues?

“We all have our own opinions on situations, we all deal with different moments differently,” he said. “From us to them, hopefully that they’ll listen and realize we’re attempting to do the right things among all these different items, whether it was Murph last year or Mr. Ricketts right now and, of course, Addison.

“We’re just trying to do the right things for everybody involved. We hope the fans understand that. We hope the fans understand that second chances are a part of life. And we’ve all been there. We’re working our way through this right now. It’s kind of new ground for us too. And to give people an opportunity to resurrect themselves in a sense and put themselves back on the right path as human beings first. It’s not even about baseball right now.”

Murphy was treated well by the majority of fans during his brief stay in Chicago, and now he’s with the Rockies.

Russell no doubt will be judged on his actions during the rest of his playing days, and at 25, he likely has a long career ahead of him.

Taking personal accountability and apologizing were good first steps, whether or not they’re part of his league-mandated therapy. He might have sounded robotic at times, but Russell’s apology sounded heartfelt to me.

Joe Ricketts, on the other hand, has yet to apologize in person and probably never will have to face the music for his hateful words. He has left it to his kids to deal with the aftermath, a cowardly move by a rich, powerful man.

Calling the emails “racially insensitive” in a statement was a misstep by Tom Ricketts, who seemed more worried about making sure everyone knew his father has no day-to-day involvement with the Cubs. He should know better.

Epstein said Tuesday that the emails were “upsetting” to read and correctly referred to them as “disgusting views.”

Tom Ricketts gets a second chance Monday to get it right.

And soon the Cubs will get back to selling hope, which is what spring training was made for in the first place.

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## CUBS NOTES

## Brach endured stress during free agency

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Newcomer Brad Brach admitted to the free-agent process being “stressful” before he agreed to a one-year, \$4.35 million contract with the Cubs that included an option.

A wise-cracking reporter asked if there were hints of collusion, based on similar offers.

“You guys can make what you want out of that,” Brach said Friday. “But it’s kind of weird that all offers are the same that come around at the same time and everyone tells you there’s an algorithm, and you figure teams have different ones. But it’s definitely a weird process and you can’t figure it out.

“Luckily the guys in the bullpen are the ones who haven’t been hurt as bad. If you’re at the top of the class, fine. But if you’re somewhere in the middle, you’re going to get hurt and that’s where they’re kind of taken advantage of.”

Brach said reached out during the first week of free agency but didn’t start receiving offers until late December.

“You’re kind of wondering what’s going on,” he said. “Teams say they like you but they’re not making any offers. And then they make offers, and six or seven teams are giving you the same offer. It’s just a weird process, and no one knows what’s going on right now.

“Obviously I would have liked the experience to be a little better, but I’m just glad to be here now and glad it’s over now. ... Hopefully I pitch well enough to be here next year.”

**He’s a fan:** Brach raved about former Orioles teammate Manny Machado, a free-agent target of the White Sox.

“He was good,” said Brach, who played with Machado for 4½ seasons. “He plays hard every day. I know there were quotes said (about him not hustling) during the playoffs, but I enjoyed him as a teammate. He’s going to make anyone who has him better.

“And he’s a once-in-a-generation talent. It’s exciting to get to see that on a daily basis. And seeing him every day, you really appreciate it. If you see him in a short series, or seven days, you might not appreciate what he brings for 162 (games).”

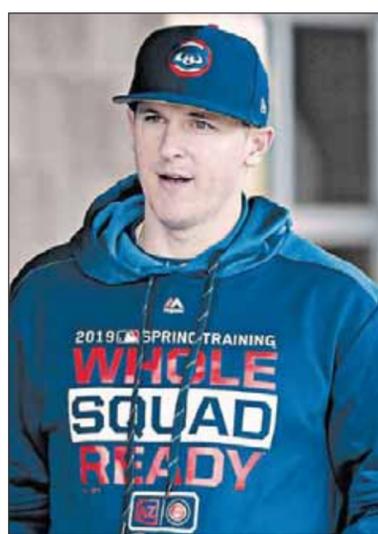
**Coaching coaches:** Manager Joe Maddon held his annual coaches meeting on the main practice field. The gathering, which involved 15 coaches and spring instructors, usually occurs the day before the first workout for pitchers and catchers.

“We just ran out of time,” Maddon said. Maddon likes to stress the manner in which he wants certain drills executed, such as bunt defenses, cutoffs, relays, pickoffs and rundowns. He emphasized that the Cubs’ unique bunt defenses require advance instruction.

**No closer controversy:** With Brandon Morrow expected to miss the first month of the season recovering from right elbow surgery, Maddon likes his options at closer.

“It’s fluid,” Maddon said. “I’ve done it before.”

Pedro Strop is expected to inherit Morrow’s duties for the first month. Steve



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cubs reliever Brad Brach is in camp after signing a one-year, \$4.35-million deal during the offseason.

Cishek also could handle the ninth-inning duties if Strop needs a rest or the opponent’s lineup is stacked with right-handed hitters, which plays to Cishek’s strength.

Brach and Carl Edwards Jr. also are candidates.

**Delivery time:** Reliever Mike Montgomery and his wife, Stephanie, are expecting their first child. The due date is April 14.

The Cubs are scheduled to play the Angels at Wrigley Field that day, and Montgomery said his wife will be settled in Chicago well before then.

“When the season starts, it will be an interesting time,” Montgomery said. “I feel clear in my head about whatever comes my way and just have fun with it. I’m about to be a father in a couple months. I’m really excited about the year.”

WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX NOTES

# Shortstop is long on leadership potential

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN  
Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Tim Anderson wants to be a leader — in his way.

The third-year White Sox shortstop has such a smooth, agreeable vibe that he could probably bring Anthony Davis and Pelicans management together.

Asked about his desire to lead, Anderson said Friday: “Definitely, in a silent way. I’m here to bring a spark to the team. Go out and play the game the way I’m supposed to. I think everybody will fall into line.”

Manager Rick Renteria said Anderson “continues to go out and show through his improvement that he is desirous of being an elite player. When you establish a routine and continually improve and do things that guys see, just by default they see it and understand he is leading by example.”

**Matter of trust:** The Sox want Dylan Covey to trust his stuff. The 27-year-old right-hander is competing with lefty Manny Banuelos for the fifth starting spot.

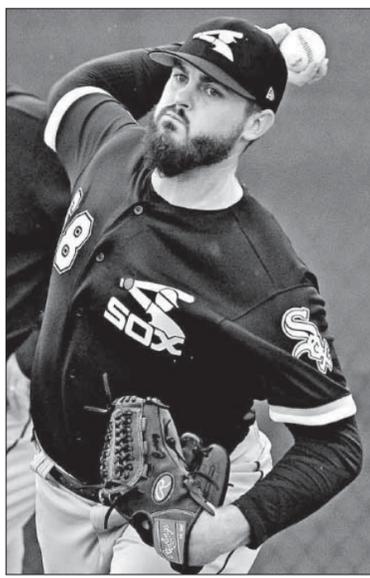
“The action on his ball is really, really good,” Renteria said. “If you ask anyone who has ever faced him, he is one of the tougher at-bats they can have. So it’s a matter of trust.”

Covey experienced extreme highs and low last season. He posted a 2.29 ERA in his first six starts and then endured five straight non-quality starts. He blanked the Indians twice in September and finished with a 5.18 ERA.

“You can’t dwell on your highs too long and you can’t get stuck on the bottom with your lows too long,” he said. “You’ve just got to have that mindset to keep pushing forward. You have the skills that got you here. They see something in you and obviously you’re here for a reason.”

**Left out?** Perhaps the most radical rule change being considered to trim game times is the one that would require pitchers to face a minimum of three batters.

So ... RIP to the LOOGY (left-handed one-out guy)?



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Right-hander Dylan Covey is competing for the fifth spot in the White Sox rotation with lefty Manny Banuelos.

Two of the most prominent relievers in Sox camp don’t see it that way.

“I’m not taking it as a slap in the face,” said Aaron Bummer, who split time between the Sox and Triple-A Charlotte last season. “As a pitcher you want to throw to as many batters as you can, get as many outs as you can. I know I’m a lot better against left-handers, and that gives me extra motivation to get out right-handers more.”

Caleb Frare is with him on that. He’s the lefty the Sox acquired in July for \$1.5 million in international bonus pool money.

“It’s a bad push for the game,” he said. “I’m fine with it because I’m comfortable facing righties and lefties. Some guys are not. As far as the game is concerned, I hate it.”

**Extra innings:** Carson Fulmer was decent last April (4.32 ERA) before getting shelled in three straight starts, precipitating a demotion to Triple-A Charlotte. The Sox view him as a reliever, but Renteria said: “He could morph. You never want to place limits on people. I know deep down in his heart he wants to start.” ... Yolmer Sanchez hasn’t lost his touch. The funniest man in the clubhouse teased NBC Sports Chicago’s Chuck Garfien on Friday. When Garfien asked Sanchez to play something on his giant boom box, Sanchez offered to select Garfien’s favorite tunes: “Something from the ’40s? How old are you? You look, like, 90.” Sanchez then played his own favorite music on the condition Garfien would dance to it. He did.

# Dodgers believe Machado would be a good fit for Sox

Machado, from Page 1

The Dodgers went 53-43 (.552) in the first half and 39-28 (.582) after adding Machado in exchange for five prospects.

He played shortstop and batted second in his debut, reaching base four times in the Dodgers’ 6-4 victory over the Brewers.

“He’s our new Mannywood, 2.0 I guess,” closer Kenley Jansen said that day in reference to Manny Ramirez, who powered the Dodgers to the 2008 NLCS.

Dodgers outfielder Enrique Hernandez remains in awe of Machado’s talent, saying: “He makes both hitting and defense look extremely easy at times, which is not fair. His talent and ability to play loose ... he is definitely a game-changer. I’ve been watching Manny highlights but never saw him play on an everyday basis. For those two months, it was a lot of fun. He definitely showed that he is the real deal.”

Hernandez also defended Machado on the hustling issue.

For context: Machado came through in the division series against the Braves, hitting two homers and driving in six runs in four games. He was OK in the seven-game NLCS against the Brewers, going 8-for-27 with a homer, double and two walks. But he did not run out a grounder in the hole, jogging to first.

His World Series performance was a disaster, notable for loafing to first on a 368-foot single he thought would be a home run.

He told FSI’s Ken Rosenthal during the NLCS: “Obviously, I’m not going to change. I’m not the type of player that’s going to be ‘Johnny Hustle’ and run down the line and slide to first base and ... you know, that’s just not my personality, that’s not my cup of tea, that’s not who I am.”

He also said this, which got less attention: “Should I have given it a little more effort? One hundred percent. (It’s) my fault like always. ... (There are) things that you learn, things that you’ve got to change. I’ve tried changing it for (seven) years and I still can’t figure it out, but one of these days I will.”

He also said: “It does look bad. It looks terrible. I look back at the video and I’m like, ‘Whoa, what was I doing?’”

Hernandez stuck up for Machado on Friday, saying: “You look at the whole interview, and things were taken a little out of context. Yeah, he maybe plays the game a little differently than the way I play it, but that doesn’t mean he doesn’t play the game the right way. I think the magnitude of the timing, when he said the quote, escalated things and put it under the microscope.”



MORRY GASH/AP

**“He made guys feel comfortable in their environment and really cared about winning.”**

— Rich Hill on Manny Machado

Hernandez might be following the professional athlete’s unwritten code — don’t rip a former teammate lest he might rip you — but he seemed to genuinely believe Machado’s “Johnny Hustle” quote was an unfair characterization.

“It was just Manny being Manny,” he said. “The interview definitely did get everybody’s ear, but it got taken out of context. You have to sell the story somehow.”

Lefty Rich Hill, the former Cub, lauded Machado as “really great in the clubhouse, easy to talk to. He made guys feel comfortable in their environment and really cared about winning. It’s kind of interesting in the position now he is in (as a free agent). I wish him the best.”

As for Machado’s skill? “His ability to backspin a baseball off the bat is really impressive,” Hill said. “Making the plays in the hole and firing balls across the diamond too. To be able to play (both) short and third is a tremendous asset, and you can’t rule out the possibility of playing other positions too. He’s so athletic.”

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# SCOREBOARD

## CALENDAR

TEAM	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		ALL-STAR GAME 7 TNT					@ORL 6 WGN-9, AM-670
	CBJ 7:30 NBCSCH, AM-720		OTT 7:30 NBCSCH, AM-720		@DET 6:30 NBCSN, AM-720		COL 6:30 NBCSCH, AM-720

## SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL		
11 a.m.	Maryland at Michigan	FOX-32
11 a.m.	Southern Illinois at Indiana State	NBCSCH
11 a.m.	Clemson at Louisville	ESPN
11 a.m.	Oklahoma at TCU	ESPN2
11 a.m.	Auburn at Vanderbilt	ESPNU
11 a.m.	George Washington at Duquesne	NBCSN
11 a.m.	North Carolina at Wake Forest	WCIU-26.2
Noon	Oklahoma State at Texas	CBS-2
1 p.m.	Notre Dame at Virginia	WMVP-AM 1000
1 p.m.	Indiana at Minnesota	ESPN2
1 p.m.	Baylor at Texas Tech	ESPN
1 p.m.	Florida at Alabama	ESPNU
1 p.m.	Xavier at Providence	FOX-32
1 p.m.	Fordham at Rhode Island	NBCSN
1:30 p.m.	Army at Navy	CBSSN
3 p.m.	Penn State at Purdue	BTN
3 p.m.	West Virginia at Kansas	ESPN
3 p.m.	Iowa State at Kansas State	ESPN2
3 p.m.	VCU at Dayton	NBCSN
4 p.m.	La Salle at Saint Louis	CBSSN
5 p.m.	Iowa at Rutgers	FS1
5 p.m.	N.C. State at Duke	ESPN
5 p.m.	Memphis at UCF	ESPN2
5 p.m.	Temple at South Florida	ESPN
6 p.m.	Boise State at San Diego State	CBSSN
7 p.m.	DePaul at Butler	FS1, WSCR-AM 670
7 p.m.	Bradley at Illinois State	ESPN2
7 p.m.	Tennessee at Kentucky	ESPN
7 p.m.	Washington at Washington State	ESPNU
7:30 p.m.	Northwestern at Nebraska	BTN, WMVP-AM 1000
9 p.m.	Gonzaga at San Diego	ESPN
9 p.m.	UCLA at Stanford	ESPN2
9 p.m.	Nevada at Wyoming	ESPN2
9 p.m.	Arizona State at Utah	FS1

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL		
11 a.m.	Army at Navy	CBSSN

GOLF		
Noon	Genesis Open	Golf Channel
2 p.m.	Chubb Classic	Golf Channel
8 p.m.	ISPS Handa Australian Open	Golf Channel

NHL		
Noon	Red Wings at Flyers	NHL Network
6 p.m.	Canadiens at Lightning	NHL Network
7:30 p.m.	Blue Jackets at Blackhawks	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720

COLLEGE HOCKEY		
5 p.m.	Minnesota at Ohio State	BTN
5 p.m.	Wisconsin at Notre Dame	NBCSN

BUNDESLIGA SOCCER		
8:20 a.m.	Schalke vs. Freiburg	FS2
11:20 a.m.	Hertha Berlin vs. Werder Bremen	FS2

SKIING		
7 a.m.	FIS Alpine World Championships	NBCSN

TENNIS		
8 a.m.	Rotterdam-ATP, Doha-WTA	Tennis Channel
2 a.m.	Qatar Total Open	Tennis Channel

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**HOW THE AP MEN'S TOP 25 FARED**

**Friday**

- Tennessee (23-1) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Kentucky, Saturday.
- Duke (22-2) did not play. Next: vs. N.C. State, Saturday.
- Gonzaga (24-2) did not play. Next: at San Diego, Saturday.
- Virginia (21-2) did not play. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Saturday.
- Kentucky (20-4) did not play. Next: at Tulane, Sunday.
- Michigan (22-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 24 Maryland, Saturday.
- Nevada (23-1) did not play. Next: at Wyoming, Saturday.
- North Carolina (19-5) did not play. Next: at Wake Forest, Saturday.
- Houston (24-1) did not play. Next: at Tulane, Sunday.
- Marquette (21-4) did not play. Next: vs. Butler, Wednesday.
- Michigan State (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Ohio State, Sunday.
- Purdue (17-7) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State, Saturday.
- Villanova (20-5) did not play. Next: at St. John's, Sunday.
- Kansas (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. West Virginia, Saturday.
- Texas Tech (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Baylor, Saturday.
- Louisville (17-8) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Saturday.
- Florida State (19-5) did not play. Next: at Georgia Tech, Saturday.
- Kansas State (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa State, Saturday.
- Louisville (17-8) did not play. Next: at Georgia Tech, Saturday.
- Wisconsin (17-8) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Monday.
- Iowa (19-5) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Saturday.
- Virginia Tech (19-5) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Saturday.
- Iowa State (18-6) did not play. Next: at No. 18 Kansas State, Saturday.
- Maryland (19-6) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Michigan, Saturday.
- Buffalo (22-3) beat Toledo 88-82. Next: vs. Ohio, Tuesday.

**HOW THE AP WOMEN'S TOP 25 FARED**

**Friday**

- Baylor (22-1) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Saturday.
- Louisville (23-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 20 Miami, Sunday.
- Oregon (23-1) vs. No. 9 Oregon State. Next: at No. 9 Oregon State, Monday.
- UCConn (22-2) did not play. Next: at UCF, Sunday.
- Mississippi State (22-2) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Texas A&M, Sunday.
- Notre Dame (23-3) did not play. Next: at No. 12 N.C. State, Monday.
- Maryland (22-2) did not play. Next: at No. 14 Iowa, Sunday.
- Marquette (21-4) lost to St. John's 81-74. Next: at Seton Hall, Sunday.
- Oregon State (20-4) at No. 3 Oregon. Next: vs. No. 3 Oregon, Monday.
- Stanford (19-4) at UCLA. Next: at Southern Cal, Sunday.
- South Carolina (18-6) did not play. Next: at Florida, Sunday.
- N.C. State (22-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Notre Dame, Monday.
- Gonzaga (23-2) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Saturday.
- Iowa (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 7 Maryland, Sunday.
- Texas (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas State, Sunday.
- Syracuse (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Sunday.
- Kentucky (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Arkansas, Sunday.
- Iowa State (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.
- Arizona State (19-5) did not play. Next: at Utah, Sunday.
- Miami (21-5) did not play. Next: at No. 2 Louisville, Sunday.
- Florida State (20-5) did not play. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Sunday.
- Texas A&M (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Mississippi State, Sunday.
- Rutgers (17-7) did not play. Next: at Indiana, Monday.
- Michigan State (17-7) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Sunday.
- South Dakota (22-3) did not play. Next: at Western Illinois, Saturday.

WOMEN'S SCORES		
<b>MIDWEST</b>		
Butler 65, Creighton 46		
Drake 76, N. Iowa 61		
Evansville 77, Valparaiso 65		
Milwaukee 78, Cleveland St. 60		
Providence 63, Xavier 55		
S. Illinois 62, Bradley 55		
Youngstown St. 70, Green Bay 59		
<b>FAR WEST</b>		
Arizona 66, Utah 55		
Arizona St. 66, Colorado 49		
<b>EAST</b>		
Cornell 65, Brown 53		
DePaul 94, Seton Hall 85		
Delaware 77, Northeastern 63		
Drexel 62, Hofstra 39		
Idaho 52, Monmouth (NJ) 51		
Penn 60, Dartmouth 44		
Princeton 75, Harvard 71		
Quinnipiac 64, Manhattan 39		
Rutgers 78, St. Peter's 43		
St. John's 81, Marquette 74		
Towson 82, UNC-Wilmington 61		
Yale 69, Columbia 61		

TRANSACTIONS		
<b>BASKETBALL</b>		
<b>NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION</b>		
Denver: Extended the contracts of president of basketball operations Tim Connelly.		
<b>HOCKEY</b>		
<b>NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE</b>		
Arizona: Assigned F Michael Bunting to Tucson (AHL).		
Calgary: Recalled F Curtis Lazar from Stockton (AHL).		
Dallas: Reassigned RW Denis Gurianov to Texas (AHL). Recalled C Joel L'Esperance from Texas.		
New Jersey: Placed F Blake Coleman on injured reserve, retroactive to Feb. 10.		
Pittsburgh: Activated D Justin Schurz from injured reserve.		
Vancouver: Called up D Luke Schenn from Utica (AHL).		

GOLF		
<b>PGA TOUR - GENESIS OPEN</b>		
1st of 4 rds at Riviera CC		
Pacific Palisades, Calif.		
Yardage: 7,322; Par 71 (35-36)		
63 (-8)	J. Holmes	31-32
64 (-7)	Jordan Spieth	31-33
66 (-5)	Patrick Rodgers	32-34
67 (-4)	Tommy Fleetwood	32-35
68 (-3)	Nick Taylor	32-36
69 (-2)	Adam Hadwin	32-37
70 (-1)	Rafa Cabrera Bello	32-38
71 (E)	John Huh	32-39
72 (+1)	Kyle Jones	32-40
73 (+2)	Tae Hee Lee	32-41
74 (+3)	Ryan Moore	32-42
75 (+4)	Beau Hossler	32-43
76 (+5)	Matt Kuchar	32-44
77 (+6)	Si Woo Kim	32-45
78 (+7)	Patrick Cantlay	32-46
79 (+8)	J.J. Spaun	32-47
80 (+9)	Dylan Frittelli	32-48
81 (+10)	Bryan Burgoon	32-49
82 (+11)	Jon Kokrak	32-50
83 (+12)	Sung Kang	32-51
84 (+13)	Robert Garrigus	32-52
85 (+14)	Peter Uihlein	32-53
86 (+15)	Charles Howell III	32-54
87 (+16)	Brian Harman	32-55
88 (+17)	Mark Leishman	32-56
89 (+18)	Pat Perez	32-57
90 (+19)	Russell Henley	32-58
91 (+20)	Kelly Kraft	32-59

## LATEST LINE

COLLEGE BASKETBALL		
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at Michigan	6%	Maryland
N. Carolina	16%	at Wake Forest
at Duquesne	8%	George Wash.
at Louisville	8%	Clemson
at Duke	17%	NC State
at Indiana State	1%	S. Illinois
Auburn	9%	at Vanderbilt
at Green Bay	5%	Detroit
at Texas	11%	Oklahoma St.
at S. Carolina	4%	Texas A&M
at Ball St.	4%	Akron
at Towson	1%	Drexel
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at Providence	6%	Xavier
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at Drac. St.	6%	Valparaiso
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at Mississippi	10%	Missouri
at Coll. Of Chart.	2%	Northeastern
at Tennessee	3%	at Rutgers
at Dayton	2%	Va Common.
at Utah St.	10%	at Air Force
at Purdue	14%	Penn St.
BYU	1%	at Loyola Mrymt
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Bowling Green	4%	at N. Illinois
at Virginia Tech	4%	at Pittsburgh
at Saint Louis	7%	La Salle
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LSU	1%	at Memphis
at UCF	6%	at Memphis
Temple	1%	at South Florida
Ill.-Chicago	1%	at Youngstown St.
at Kent St.	4%	E. Michigan
Hofstra	9%	at UNC-Wilm.
William & Mary	3%	at Elon
at LaLaf.	1%	at Brown
at Princeton	Off	Dartmouth
at Pennsylvania	Off	Harvard
at Cornell	Off	Yale
IUPUI	4%	at Cleveland St.
Fresno St.	3%	at New Mexico
at San Diego St.	5%	Boise St.
Oakland	1%	at Milwaukee
at LaLaf.	1%	at UConn
Washington	7%	at Wash. St.
USC	7%	at California
at Kentucky	3%	Tennessee
at Illinois St.	4%	Bradley
at UConn	6%	at Butler
at James Mad.	2%	Delaware
at Nebraska	5%	Northwestern
Miss. St.	1%	at Arkansas
at NC State	2%	at Georgia
Cal St.-Ful.	2%	at CS Northridge
at UC Davis	3%	Long Beach St.
at UC Irvine	7%	UCSB
at Stanford	3%	UCLA
San Fran.	14%	at Portland
Gonzaga	15%	at San Diego
at Utah	3%	Arizona St.
Nevada	10%	at Wyoming
at Oregon St.	1%	Oregon
at St. Mary's Ca	12%	Pepperdine
at Hawaii	12%	UC Riverside

NHL		
Columbus	-122	at Blackhawks
at Phila.	-188	Detroit
at Pittsburgh	-136	Calgary
St. Louis	-116	at Colorado
at NY Isl.	-195	Edmonton
Toronto	-172	at Arizona
at Winnipeg	-245	Ottawa
at Tampa Bay	-200	Montreal
at Carolina	-141	LA-Monro
at Las Vegas	-115	Nashville
at San Jose	-241	Vancouver
Boston	-158	at Los Ang.

## TENNIS

**WTA QATAR TOTAL OPEN**

SF at The Khalifa International Tennis Complex; Doha, Qatar; hard-outdoor

#1 Simona Halep d. #4 Elina Svitolina, 6-3, 6-6, 6-4.

Eise Mertens d. #3 Angelique Kerber, 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

**ATP TOUR ABN AMRO WORLD TOURNAMENT**

SF at Ahoj Stadium; Rotterdam, Netherlands; hard-outdoor

#1 Kei Nishikori d. #2 Marlon Fuchs, 6-3, 6-2.

Gael Monfils d. #3 Damir Dzumhur, 6-1, 6-2.

#5 Daniil Medvedev d. #10 Wilfried Tsonga, 6-4, 6-2.

Stan Wawrinka d. B. Shalvov, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

**ATP TOUR ARGENTINA OPEN**

SF at Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club; Buenos Aires, Argentina; clay-outdoor

#1 Dominic Thiem d. #2 Pablo Cuevas, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Roberto Carballes Baena d. #3 Marco Cecchinato, 7-6 (3), 6-4.

Guido Pella d. J. Munar, 6-7 (3), 7-6 (9), 6-1.

**ATP TOUR NEW YORK OPEN**

QF at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum; Uniondale, N.Y.; hard-outdoor

#1 John Isner d. #7 Jordan Thompson, 6-4, 6-1.

#6 Sam Querrey d. #4 Jason Jung, 6-3, 3-6, 6-7.

B. Schnur d. P. Lorenzi, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (5), 7-5.

Reilly Opelka d. G. Garcia-Lopez, 6-3, 6-4.

## AUTO RACING

NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY DAYTONA 500 LINEUP		
Race Sunday at Daytona International Speedway; Daytona Beach, Fla.		
Key lengths in miles		
SP	NO. DRIVER	MAKE
1	24 William Byron	C
2	88 Alex Bowman	F
3	4 Kevin Harvick	F
4	22 Joey Logano	F
5	17 Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	F
6	14 Clint Bowyer	F
7	21 Paul Menard Wood	F
8	10 Aric Almirola	F
9	55 Denny Hamlin	F
10	11 Denny Hamlin	F
11	19 Martin Truex Jr.	F
12	1 Kurt Busch	T
13	47 Bubba Wallace	C
14	14 Kyle Larson	C
15	37 Chris Buescher	F
16	40 Jamie McMurray	F
17	14 Jimmie Johnson	F
18	9 Chase Elliott	F
19	6 Ryan Newman	F
20	3 Austin Dillon	F
21	47 Ryan Prece	C
22	13 Ty Dillon	C
23	41 Daniel Suarez	F
24	38 David Ragan	F
25	96 Parker Kligerman-x	C
26	42 Kyle Larson	C
27	00 Landon Cassill	C
28	20 Erik Jones	T
29	8 Daniel Hemric	C
30	62 Brian Davison	C
31	18 Kyle Busch	T
32	32 Corey LaJoie	F
33	36 Matt Tiff	F
34	51 BJ McLeod	F
35	2 Brad Keselowski	F
36	15 Ross Chastain	F
37	52 Cody Ware	C
38	14 Adam Smith	C
39	31 Tyler Reddick-x	C
40	27 Casey Mears-x	C

x-one of the four open teams that made the field

## NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE												
ATLANTIC		W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF		
Toronto	43	16	.729	—	7-3	W-6	24-5	19-11	27-10			
Boston	37	21	.638	5½	7-3	W						



JOHN RAOUX/AP

Corey LaJoie leans over his car with a likeness of him painted on the hood on Friday.

## DAYTONA 500

# Throwback feel with fresh faces

Eight rookies in field, including race's youngest front row ever

BY JENNA FRYER

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Among those trying to win the Daytona 500 are a Florida watermelon farmer, a short-track champion from New England, a television analyst and a 22-year-old whose career nearly was derailed by a brain tumor.

The front row is the youngest in Daytona 500 history, and William Byron, a Liberty University student who had his wisdom teeth removed in the offseason, will lead the field to green in Sunday's showcase race to kick off the NASCAR season.

The overall look of the nation's top racing series has undergone a transformation the last few seasons, and proof is plastered on the hood of Corey LaJoie's car. His bearded face adorns his Ford Mustang, which easily makes him the most recognizable driver among the eight Daytona 500 rookies in the field.

"He looks like he's going to eat you every lap," Clint Bowyer quipped.

LaJoie's paint scheme for his low-budget team is courtesy of sponsor Old Spice, which chose "The Great American Race" to promote its dry shampoo. Man-scaped.com bought the space on the back of Landon Cassill's car, Bubba Wallace signed Aftershokz headphones for the race. After Casey Mears made the field — his first race in two years — skateboard rim maker Rim Rydzerz joined his program.

This Daytona 500 is unlike any in recent memory and truly highlights the dramatic loss of star power from just four years ago. The 2015 race featured Jeff Gordon, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Tony Stewart, Matt Kenseth, Carl Edwards, Bobby Labonte, Michael Waltrip and Danica Patrick. All have since retired.

Some of the big-money sponsors in that race included Lowe's, Target, Dollar General, GoDaddy and 5-Hour Energy. All have since pulled out of NASCAR.

What remains is a new-look NASCAR that nonetheless has a throwback feel.

NASCAR was built on the premise that if a budding driver or team owner could scrape together the funds to field a car, they

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1:30 p.m. Sunday, FOX-32  
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could bring it down to the beach and try to make the big show. As the sport exploded past its Southern origins, it became nearly impossible for a new driver to claw his way into a ride.

But change has created opportunity — even second and third chances for a driver such as Ross Chastain. The eighth-generation watermelon farmer impressed a sponsor with his work ethic and landed a career-changing ride with unexpected funding. Federal agents raided the sponsor right before Christmas, but Chastain still managed to land a seat for his first Daytona 500.

Ryan Preece bounced back and forth between NASCAR and New England short tracks before finally gambling on his future. He settled for a part-time job with a competitive team because he believed he could show his true talent if given the right equipment. Now he's also a Daytona 500 rookie.

Same with Matt Tifft, who learned he had a brain tumor four races into his 2016 season. Or Daniel Hemric of Kannapolis, N.C., who followed hero Dale Earnhardt Sr. from the old mill town into a ride with Richard Childress Racing.

Parker Kligerman, a part-time racer and full-time television personality, raced his way into his second Daytona 500.

"Watching this race last year, I literally thought I'd never drive a Cup car again, never have another chance in the Daytona 500," Kligerman said. "I'm doing TV full time. It just didn't seem like I was really getting anyone's attention. For whatever reason, I just couldn't find the right opportunity, couldn't find a sponsor."

"I went off and did the TV thing. You've seen drivers do that before, where they do something to up their profile, then they get back in a ride. It kind of feels like it's finally all starting to work."

Kligerman works for NBC Sports and so does Earnhardt Jr., his broadcast partner who will drive the first pickup truck to pace the race. It is an unexpectedly heavy NBC Sports promotion in a race broadcast by rival Fox.

## NFL

# Kaepernick, Reid settle their lawsuits, both sides mum

Associated Press

NEW YORK — With a public hearing looming and the threat of owners and league officials facing depositions, the NFL settled collusion cases brought by Colin Kaepernick and Eric Reid.

The league, about to celebrate its 100th season, faced criticism from all sides thanks to the protest movement started by Kaepernick. Many Kaepernick supporters wanted to see him back on the field, while other fans said they wouldn't watch if the league allowed players to protest during the national anthem.

The league and Kaepernick's lawyer sent out statements Friday saying that "the parties have decided to resolve the pending grievances" and that a confidentiality agreement would prevent either side from commenting further.

It remains unclear if the NFL admitted wrongdoing or how much money Reid, Kaepernick or others may have received. Considering the lost salary both players claimed and legal costs, the settlement could have climbed into the tens of millions of dollars.

"For the past several months, counsel for Mr. Kaepernick and Mr. Reid have engaged in an ongoing dialogue with representatives of the NFL," the league statement said. "As a result of those discussions, the parties have decided to resolve the pending grievances. The resolution of this matter is subject to a confidentiality agreement so there will be no further comment by any party."

Kaepernick's lawyer Mark Geragos tweeted a similar statement.

The protests slowed down this season, as the NFL made contributions to organizations chosen by players and promised

more attention to social justice issues. But the controversy reignited every time there was a development in the case.

A hearing was scheduled for later this month.

Kaepernick and Reid filed collusion grievances against the league, saying they were blacklisted because of protests during the national anthem at games. Kaepernick has not played in the league since 2016, while Reid missed three games last season before signing with the Panthers. Kaepernick contended the owners violated their collective bargaining agreement with players by conspiring to keep him off teams.

While the players seemed intent on pursuing the cases, the league might not have been eager for those deposed — including Commissioner Roger Goodell and several owners and league executives — to appear. Still, for the players to prove collusion is a mighty challenge because, according to the 2011 labor agreement between the union and league, a "club, its employees or agents" must have "entered into an agreement" to limit contract offers.

Kaepernick filed his grievance in August 2017. Arbitrator Stephen B. Burbank sent it to trial, denying the league's request to throw out the former 49ers quarterback's claims. Burbank's decision meant there was enough evidence of collusion to keep the grievances going.

A wave of protests by NFL players began in 2016 after Kaepernick knelt during the national anthem to call attention to police brutality and racial inequality. The protests grew into one of the most polarizing issues in sports, with President Donald Trump loudly urging the league to suspend or fire players who demonstrate during "The Star-Spangled Banner."

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### Daniszewsk, Wilma T.

Wilma T. Daniszewski, (nee Frejlich), 87, of Romeoville, IL, Thursday, February 14, 2019. Beloved wife of 52 years to John L. Daniszewski; cherished mother of Glenn (Susan) Kaminski, Laura (Orlando) Daniszewski and Kristie (Alex) Daniszewski; loving grandmother to Katherine (Ross) Kaminski and Daniel (Shellie) Kaminski; dear great-grandmother to Olivia and Amelia Hammond; devoted sister to Renetta (Nick) Mady; and fond aunt and great aunt to many nieces and nephews. Preceded by her parents, Antoni and Julia (nee Kaminski) Frejlich; and her siblings, Steven (Ann) Frejlich, Henrietta (Frank) George, Katherine (Walter) Zimmerman, Francis (Harry) Pierczynski, Frieda (Leo) Swintek, Hilda (Stanley) Skrabacz, and Walter (Lorraine) Frejlich. Funeral services Monday, February 19, 2019 at 10:15 a.m. from the Fred C. Dames Funeral Home, 3200 Black at Essington Roads, Joliet, to St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, 129 S. Division Street, Plainfield, for Mass at 11:00 a.m. Interment Resurrection Cemetery, Justice. Visitation Sunday, 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital appreciated. For more information, (815) 741-5500 or to view her complete obituary visit her Memorial Tribute at [www.fredcdames.com](http://www.fredcdames.com)



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### Dennison, Anne

Anne Dennison (nee Singer) age 83. beloved wife of the late Harold Dennison happily married for 60 years; loving mother of Holly (David) Kagan and Brad (Dalia) Dennison; devoted grandmother of 8; adoring great grandmother of 9. Chapel service Sunday, February 17, 2:30 PM at Peoria Hebrew Cemetery, 2807 West Heading Avenue, West Peoria, IL. For information or condolences: Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 847-255-3520 or [www.shalom2.com](http://www.shalom2.com).



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### Dold, Gregory

Gregory Dold, age 78, of Hinsdale; beloved husband of Marie; loving father of Andrew (Nancy), Roger (Jill), Ellen (Garrett), Judith, & Brian (Alison); cherished grandfather of Joseph, John, Maria, Paige, Mark, Evelyn, Lukas, Claire, Hayes, Indiana, & Hamilton; dear brother, uncle, & friend of many. Visitation 3 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, February 17 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Funeral prayers at 9:15 a.m. on Monday, February 18, at the funeral home, followed by procession to St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, Hinsdale. Mass at 10 a.m. Interment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Greg's name to Misericordia Home ([misericordia.com/giving](http://misericordia.com/giving)) are appreciated. Funeral info: (708) 352-6500 or [hfunerals.com](http://hfunerals.com)

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### Fisher, Carolyn

Fisher, Carolyn, 71, nee Pflingst, born in New York City and grew up in Old Tappan, New Jersey, passed away in Salisbury, Maryland. She was a loving daughter of Paul and Muriel Pflingst; cherished sister of David Pflingst of Salisbury, Maryland; beloved mother of Zack (Naama) Fisher and the late Casey Fisher (Michelle); treasured grandmother of Teddy Bloom. She resided in Evanston, IL, New Buffalo, MI and Salisbury, Md. She attended Rockford College and Columbia College; she taught at Chiaravalle Montessori School in Evanston, IL; Montessori teacher of the year in 1985. She was a devoted birder, Cubs fan and supporter of Lincoln Park Zoo. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to the Lincoln Park Zoo. Visitation is Monday, February 18, 2019, 9 a.m. at Drake and Son Funeral Home, 5303 N. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60625. Funeral service to start at 10 a.m. Monday, February 18, 2019. Burial at Rosehill Cemetery. Info 773-561-6874 or [www.drakeandsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.drakeandsonfuneralhome.com)

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### Gramczak, C.S.S.F., Sister Mary Eulodia

Sister Mary Eulodia Gramczak, C.S.S.F. Died February 14, 2019 in Swedish Covenant Hospital, Chicago, IL. Beloved member of Felician Sisters Community for 71 years. Beloved daughter of the late Andrew and Catherine. Beloved sister of Clara (the late Albert) Sirvinkas, the late Bernice (the late Charles) Kerpek, the late Sophie (the late Thomas) Sheehan, the



late Teresa (the late Stanley) Trzeciak, the late Helen (the late Andrew) Stozek, the late Josephine (the late Joseph) Miskiewicz, and the late Genevieve (the late Raymond) Chlopecki. Many nieces and nephews. Visitation will begin at 9:00 am on Monday, February 18, 2019 at the Mother of Good Counsel Convent, 3800 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago, IL. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 am following the visitation. Commendation will follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to Felician Sisters' Retirement Fund, 3800 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago, IL 60659. INFO 847-395-4000 Thomas K. Moore, Director.

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### Huska, Laura S.

Laura Sue Huska, 57, passed away February 9, 2019. Dear Daughter of the late William and Suzanne Altergott; Beloved wife of Eric Huska; Loving mother of Adam and Jason Huska; Cherished Sister of William (Terry) Altergott Jr., Kathleen (Ken) Altergott, Glenn Altergott and sister-in-law to David Huska and Maxine Mouroukas; Adored aunt of Ben, Ryan, Kenny (Lergie), Jackie, Zach, Sammy, Zoe, Heather (Chris), and Sara. Visitation will be Sunday, February 17, 2019 from 11am until the time of service at 4pm at Oehler Funeral Home, 2099 Miner St., Des Plaines, IL 60016 (Corner of NW Hwy/Rte 14 and Rand Rd.). In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to The Garden Club of Illinois Inc. (188 Industrial Dr #120, Elmhurst, IL 60126).



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### Kappe, Patricia (Gale)

Patricia (Gale) Kappe passed away on February 10th, one day before her 80th birthday. She was a devoted wife, parent, and friend. Professionally, she was pioneering editor with "Chicago" magazine. In the 1970s, as one of a two-person team, Gale helped grow the WFMT programming guide into the "Chicago Guide," the immediate predecessor to "Chicago." Her lively and insightful theater and arts listings arguably became the most valuable editorial in Chicago magazine. Despite numerous sales of the monthly over the years, Gale enjoyed a 30-year career there, during which she earned an award for editing and a nomination for a prestigious Lisagor award for journalism. She loved her work, which generously allowed her to expose friends and family to the arts. In addition, the job allowed her to regularly attend the ballet and dance performances she adored. She was married to her husband, Gerhard, for 55 years and is survived by him, her children, Regan (Shawn) and Ehren, and grandchildren, Everett and Laurel. She had recently relocated to Charlotte, N.C., due to declining health, and was surrounded by her family at her passing. She had an infectious laugh, quick wit, and a habit of eating dessert first. She will be missed by many heartbroken friends. Memorial contributions may be made to The Morton Arboretum.

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### Khoury, George Fadel

1926 - 2019



George Fadel Khoury, age 92. He traveled to the United States in 1951 where he earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering at the Chicago Technical College. He worked for the Illinois Department of Transportation from 1956 -1991.

George was an active member of St. George Antiochian Church, The Midwest Federation of American Syrian Lebanese Clubs for two years, and President of the Phoenician Club of Chicago. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, and a loyal friend and colleague to many who knew him. George is survived by his wife, Joanna ("Bunny"), his sister, three children, three grandchildren, and two sons-in-law. The viewing and funeral service is on Sunday, February 17th at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 1220 S. 60th Ct., Cicero, IL. Visitation is from 5pm to 7pm at the church. The service begins at 7 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. George Orthodox Church. For info please call Matz Funeral Home, Mt. Prospect (847) 394-2336 or [www.matzfuneralhome.com](http://www.matzfuneralhome.com)

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### Klasen, Joan E.

Joan E. Klasen, beloved daughter of the late Joseph and the late Sara Klasen. Funeral Services Monday February 18, 2019. Mass will be offered at St. Pascal Church, 6129 W. Iverin Park at Melvina St. Entombment at Acacia Park Cem. Funeral arrangements conducted by Meizner Funeral Home. Information can be directed from the funeral home 1-773-736-9000.

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### Kowalczyk, Esther

Esther Kowalczyk (nee Zurek) age 92, of Huntley, passed away on February 14, 2019. She was born in Chicago, Illinois on September 28, 1926 to her loving parents Casimir and Mary Zurek. Esther is survived by her loving children, Michael Kowalczyk and Patricia (Kenneth) Rust; her cherished grandchildren, Brian (Lacey) Rust, Jill (Chris) Graf, Lindsay (Ryan) Hofman, Jaclyn (Ryan) Schwartz and Joshua Kowalczyk; her proud grandchildren, Ava Rust, Carter Graf, Jonathan and Evan Schwartz; also her sister Irene (the late Stanley) Smurawski. Esther was preceded in death by her beloved husband John D. Kowalczyk, her sister Gertrude (the late John) Zurek and her brother, the late Edward (the late Irene) Zurek. Family & Friends to gather on Monday, February 18, 2019 from 9:00 am until time of a 10:00 am Funeral Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, 10307 Dundee Rd., Huntley. Private Entombment Sacred Heart Cemetery in Shawano, Wisconsin. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Willow Funeral Home in Algonquin, IL is assisting the family. (847) 458-1700 or [www.willowfh.com](http://www.willowfh.com)

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### Levinsky, MD, Howard

Dr. Howard Levinsky passed away February 14th, 2019 at the age of 68 surrounded by his family. He was a loved husband, father, and grandfather. Howard was a talented physician who will be remembered for his warm smile and thoughtful generosity. He was an avid fisherman, lover of classical music, and was passionate about politics and his Jewish heritage. Howard was born to Maurice and Clara Levinsky in Skokie, Illinois and was younger brother to Barry. He earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and went on to achieve a Doctor of Medicine from Creighton University. He proudly served at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Philadelphia from 1979 to 1982 where he attained the rank of Lieutenant Commander, MC, USNR. Howard practiced as a gastroenterologist in Chicago until his retirement at Methodist Hospital in 2018. He will be deeply missed by his wife of 40 years Lisa, his children Aaron (Julia), Benjamin, Jonathan (Tyler), and Sarah (Eric), as well as grandchildren Logan and Aiden. Service Monday, 1:00 p.m. at Oak Park Temple, 1235 Harlem Ave., Oak Park. Private interment at Zion Gardens Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mazon: A Jewish Response to Hunger, [www.mazon.org](http://www.mazon.org). Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com) (847) 478-1600.



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## Murphy, Hon. Allen F.

Honorable Allen F. Murphy, 55, suddenly. Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County. Son of the late Allen F. Murphy, M.D. and Lorraine (nee Roache). Loving brother of John T. (Lisa) Murphy and Colleen (Robert) Rauseo. Fond uncle of Meghan, Sean, Molly, Mary and Maura Murphy. Funeral Monday 10:00 a.m. from **Donnellan Funeral Home** 10525 S. Western Ave. to St. Christina (111th. Street at Christina Ave. Church for Mass 11:00 a.m. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy 6300 N. Ridge Ave., Chicago, IL 60660. Info (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at [www.donnellanfuneralhome.com](http://www.donnellanfuneralhome.com).



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## Musial, Jacqueline Marie

Jacqueline (Jacquie) Marie Musial (Slusser) 88, of Huntley died peacefully, February 13, 2019 with her family by her side. Visitation will be on Monday, February 18, 2019 from 10:00 until 1pm with a service at 1pm all at DeFiore Funeral Home-10763 Dundee Road, Huntley. Jacquie was born October 3, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois the daughter of John Slusser and Sylvia Staknel (Garet). On July 21, 1973 she married the love of her life, Stanley J. Musial. She is the beloved step mother to Christine Pearlman, Robert Musial, JoAnn Musial, James Musial and adopted son, Jerry Mathey. Loving step grandmother to Ryan, Marissa, Stuart, Carissa, Timothy, loving step great grandmother to Molly Jo and Andrea. She is also survived by her brother, George and sister, Patty. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Stanley. For further information please call the funeral home at 847-515-8772 or on-line condolences may be directed to [www.defiorefuneral.com](http://www.defiorefuneral.com)



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## Nelson, Arthur A.

Arthur A. Nelson, age 79, of Lincolnshire, beloved husband and best friend for 19 years of Marsha, nee Sohacki; loving father of Deborah (Jeff) Bergmann, Kathy Nelson Sopoci, Mark (Crystal) Nelson, and Matthew (Susan) Nelson; adored grandfather of 13; proud great grandfather of 5; dear brother of the late Francine Schubert; cherished brother-in-law of Patricia Sohacki and Sharon (Robert) Owen; treasured friend and mentor to many. Service Sunday 3:30 p.m. at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). The family will be receiving condolences prior to the service from 2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, contributions to ManKind Project Chicago, [www.chicago.mkp.org](http://www.chicago.mkp.org) or American Cancer Society, [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org). Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com) (847) 478-1600.



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## Niemeyer, David

David Niemeyer, 78, longtime resident of Posen, passed away February 14, 2019. Beloved husband of Veronica, nee Rzepa; loving father of Mark (Stephanie), Michael (Jean) and Matthew (April); cherished papa of Samantha, Javon, Jonathon, Jennifer, Justin and Jayson; dearest brother of Peter Niemeyer and Susan (Jared) Peterson; fond uncle of Julie Gullifer, Jared Peterson and Sonnet Fetzer. Visitation Sunday, Feb. 17th, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at **Adduci-Zimny Funeral Home**, 14522 S. Western Ave., Posen. Funeral prayers Monday, Feb. 18th, 10:00 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Stanislaus Bishop & Martyr Church for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105



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## O'Neill, James Joseph 'Jim'

James "Jim" O'Neill Sr., of Mount Prospect, Ill., died Feb. 14, 2019, after a full, wonderful life of 94 years. He was born Feb. 18, 1925, in Carrickmacross, County Monaghan, Ireland. After a childhood that produced many cherished stories, he moved to Chicago in 1949. Soon after, he attended an Irish dance where he met Margaret "Peggy" Hedderman, a native of County Clare, Ireland, and the love of his life until and far beyond her death in 1989. They married in 1952 and had five children: Hugh, Mary Kay, James Jr., Eileen, and Michael. Jim worked for 40 years as a CTA bus driver. He retired in 1989 and devoted himself wholeheartedly to being Grandpa (and Momo, Dancing Papa, and other nicknames) to his 11 grandchildren. Jim could fix anything; was the best dance partner and an avid rose gardener; and read voraciously, even into his 90s. He loved golf, and he was almost never without a cup of coffee. Jim made friends everywhere he went, not only because of the twinkle in his eye and the charm of his brogue but also because he radiated kindness. He was known to say "How did I get so lucky?" But it was those who loved him who were the lucky ones. Jim is survived by his children: Hugh O'Neill and wife Sue; Mary Kay Fox and husband Doug; James O'Neill Jr. and wife Maggie; Eileen Henquin and husband Rich; and Michael O'Neill and wife Kathy; his niece Rosemarie Egan and husband Pat; his grandchildren: Michael, Margaux, Brendan, Tommy (Jessica), Kelsey, Connor, Katie, Megan, Michael, Shannon, and Katelyn; family in Ireland, England, and Australia; and his dear friend Mary Barry. He is preceded in death by his wife, Peggy; his parents, Hugh and Elizabeth O'Neill; and siblings, Molly Curran, Lily Reilly, Maggie Murray, and Hugh O'Neill. A wake will be held 3-8pm Sunday, Feb. 17, at Matz Funeral Home in Mount Prospect. The family would like to thank the staff at Lutheran General Hospital and his home caregivers for their compassionate treatment. **Sign Guestbook at [chicagotribune.com/obituaries](http://chicagotribune.com/obituaries)**

## Sode, Laurence Allen

Born 3-7-45  
Died 2-8-19  
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 Buckingham, 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 Korshak Firestone. Memorial Services will be held February 23 & 24; call 312-671-3110 for more information.  
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## Somerville, William O'Neill 'Bill'

William (Bill) O'Neill Somerville died peacefully and surrounded by his family on January 17, 2019. William is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 36 years, Maryadele (Murphy), and is survived by his three children, Julia Somerville, Amelia (Chris) Moen, and Michael (Elisabeth) Somerville, and four grandchildren, Davis and Vivian Moen, and Mary Rose and James Somerville. He is also survived by two sisters, Lucy Hall and Marion McDevitt, and many nieces and nephews.

The son of Henry and Mary Somerville, Bill was born on July 26, 1942, and raised in Chicago, Illinois. He attended the St. Cajetan School and Brother Rice High School, from which he made lifelong friendships. Bill attended Western Michigan University where he excelled at football and served as Captain and Most Valuable Player in 1963. He went on to play professionally for several years after graduating. Thereafter, he served in the Army in Vietnam where he earned a Purple Heart and Bronze Star for bravery in combat. After military service, Bill earned a J.D. from DePaul University and a Masters (L.L.M.) in labor law from the George Washington University. He enjoyed a long and successful career with Brandenburg Industrial Service Inc., where he served as President before retiring.

Bill, together with his wife Mary, settled in Hinsdale, Illinois, where they raised their three children. Known for his keen intellect, bravery, sharp wit, kindness, and generosity, Bill was held in high regard by many and will be greatly missed by his family and all those fortunate to know him. A memorial service is planned for June 2019 in Chicago.

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## Stewart, Jean

Jean Stewart, 88, of Wheaton, Illinois, passed away on January 25th, 2019, surrounded by her children. Born Mary Regina (Jean) Smith in New Jersey on May 26, 1930, to Gertrude Bataille Smith and Leland G. Smith, she graduated from Longwood College in Virginia in 1951, and was married to James Stewart on May 21, 1961. Admired for her kindness and sense of humor, Jean was engaged in the lives of her daughters and grandchildren and beloved by all who knew her. She lived in the suburbs of Chicago for the majority of her life, having moved from New Jersey to Wheaton, Illinois in 1972, to Naperville, Illinois in 1993, and back to Wheaton in 2014. Throughout her life, Jean was an active volunteer, donating countless hours to local food pantries and Reading for the Blind and Dyslexic. Jean is preceded in death by her parents and brother, Donald Smith, and is survived by her husband, James Stewart, daughters Beth Stewart (John Miller), Barbara Stewart (Peter Bowe), Laura (John) Cavanaugh, and Kate (Monica) Stewart, and grandchildren Keryn (Matthew) Neary, Natalie Miller, Matthew Miller, Alex (Jennifer) Bowe, Clara Bowe, and Ian Cavanaugh. In lieu of flowers, the family would be honored if you chose to donate in Jean's name to The Alzheimer's Foundation of America ([alzfdn.org](http://alzfdn.org)) and/or American Cancer Society ([cancer.org](http://cancer.org)). A Celebration of life will be held at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Illinois, on Saturday, February 16th, 2019, from 2:00-5:00. Weep if you must / Parting is hell / But life goes on / So laugh as well.

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## Witt, Andrew Craig 'Andy'

Andrew (Andy) Craig Witt, 71, of Chicago, IL peacefully passed away, February 7th, 2019 surrounded by his family. He was preceded in death by his parents Roy and Adeline Witt. Andy graduated from Lane Tech H.S. in 1965, and earned his Civil Engineering Degree from IIT. He served in the USAF in Okinawa. While there, he started a Boy Scout troop and began his tenure as a Scoutmaster and lifelong Scouter. As an Eagle Scout Andy devoted his time to Scouting, camping and volunteering with the BSA and Order of the Arrow as the Owasippe Lodge Advisor. He is the Meteu. Andy was proud to have his two sons and eldest grandson follow his lead to the rank of Eagle Scout. The younger ones are on their way... Andrew is survived by his wife Debra, his children Andrea and Rick Walsh, Eric and Michelle Witt, Joshua Witt and Gigi Espina, as well as his grandchildren - Bailey, D'Angelo, Augustine, Adeline, Xavier, Oliver, and Tia and former spouse Dawn Simonides. Andy says... "I'm just resting my eyes".  
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**Rescheduled Trustees' Meeting for the ATU Local 900 Pension Plan** Due to severe weather, the trustees' meeting for the ATU Local 900 Pension Plan scheduled for January 30, 2019 has been rescheduled for February 26, 2019 at 10 AM. The meeting will be held in the 3rd floor Meeting Room at 547 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60661. You may contact the Fund's legal counsel at (312) 372-1361.

## ASSUMED NAMES

Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to "An Act in relation to the use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct of or transaction of Business in the State" as amended, that a Certification was filed by the Undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County File No. **Y19000411** on the Date: **January 24, 2019**  
Under the Assumed Name of: **Hubbard and Elm**  
with the business located at: **11841 S Lawler Alsip, IL 60803**  
The true name and residence Address of the owner is: **Lisa N Thorn 11841 S Lawler Alsip, IL 60803**

## LEGAL NOTICES

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be accepting applications for the following classification(s):

## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF **Amir D Jones AKA Amir Kirkwood AKA Amir Kirkwood**

A MINOR  
NO. 2018JD02011

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Notice is given you, **Alfonzo Kirkwood (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **December 14, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Marianne Jackson** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **02/09/2019 09:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 61 COURTROOM 6,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT February 16, 2019**

**ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: M. Tracz, L. Baker**

ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: Chicago, Illinois 60612 CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Tuesday, February 19, 2019, 1:30 PM Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

There will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes.

19-1817 COMMITTEE MINUTES Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 9/26/2018

19-0832 Sponsored by: KEVIN B. MORRISON, DENNIS DEER, ALMA E. ANAYA, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRANDON JOHNSON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S TREATMENT OF TRANSGENDER, GENDER NON-CONFORMING AND INTERSEX INDIVIDUALS

Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary  
Chairman: Deer  
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Detailed information, including the full text of the item and how to comment on the item, can be found at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>

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

IN THE INTEREST OF **Ja'Mya Watkins**

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Jasmine McKnight (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 16JA00713

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU **Jasmine McKnight (Mother)**, Unknown (Father) **Any And All Unknown Fathers Any**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **November 19, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Demetrios Kottaras** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **03/06/2019, at 10:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 7 COURTROOM G, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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

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

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

**DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS February 16, 2019**

## LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF **Taeshaua Kastel**

A MINOR  
NO. 2018JD01822

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Notice is given you, **Taeshaua Kastel**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **November 8, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Linda Paul** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **02/27/2019 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 60 COURTROOM 12,

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# CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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SATURDAY, FEB. 16 NORMAL HIGH: 36° NORMAL LOW: 20° RECORD HIGH: 58° (1921) RECORD LOW: -10° (1885)

## Snow system arrives late, sticks around Sunday

### LOCAL FORECAST

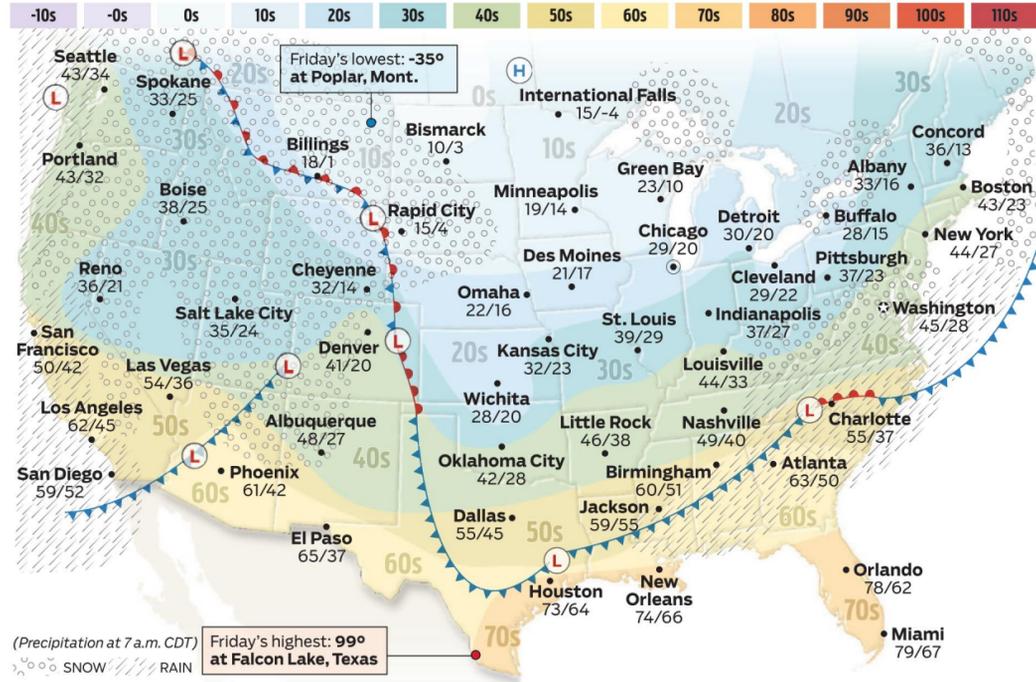
**HIGH** 29 **LOW** 20

Cloudy with some sun mixed in at times. Below normal temperatures with a high in the upper 20s.

NNW wind 7-10 mph shifts to the NE which may bring some lake-effect snow showers or flurries close to the lake.

Increasing clouds overnight. Snow develops through the area with some accumulation possible by sunrise. Low of 20.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Friday was the first day in February that O'Hare International Airport did not record at least a trace of precipitation. In fact, Friday was the first day since Jan. 6 without at least a trace of precipitation at O'Hare. The dry weather will not last long, as another system is expected to bring the area 1 to 3 inches of snow overnight Saturday into Sunday. Higher accumulation is possible north and northwest of Chicago.

Most of the accumulating snow will fall overnight and through the daylight hours, however, light snow will persist throughout Sunday night.

High temps over the next several days will be near 30 degrees, with the normal high being in the upper 30s. Low temps over the next few days will be in the upper teens, slightly below normal.

Another snow system could arrive Wednesday.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 17

**HIGH** 30 **LOW** 22

Snow with 1 to 3-inch accumulation likely. More snow possible north and NW suburbs. ENE wind 8-10 mph. Gusts to 15. High near 30. Snow diminishes after sunset with light accumulation possible. Low of 22.

### MONDAY, FEB. 18

**HIGH** 29 **LOW** 17

Light snow showers/flurries through morning. Light snow accumulation possible. Cloudy. High near 30. Light north winds during day through night. Partial clearing overnight. Low in upper teens.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 19

**HIGH** 29 **LOW** 19

Sun mixed with clouds. High temp near 30. Light E-NE winds. Clouds overnight. Accumulating snow before sunrise. NE winds 8-12 mph. Gusts to 15 mph may produce snow lakeside. Low temp near 20.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20

**HIGH** 30 **LOW** 17

Cloudy. Accumulating snow possible, especially during morning hours. Light snow possible into evening. High temp near 30. ENE wind 7-11 mph. 15 mph gusts diminish, turn NW overnight. Cloudy overnight. Low in the teens.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 21

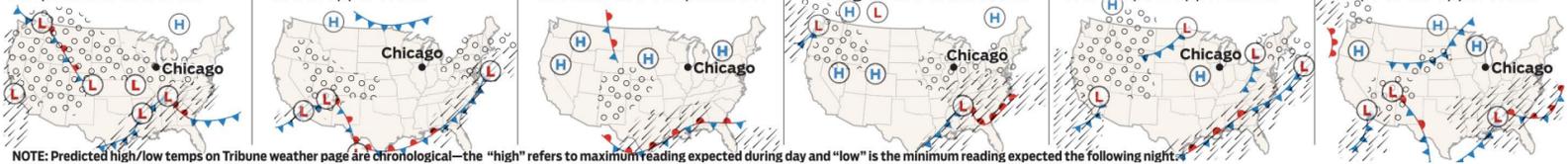
**HIGH** 31 **LOW** 18

High temp near 30 for 6th consecutive day. Cloudy, dry. Peaks of sun possible. Light NW winds in morning remain light, become variable in afternoon. Cloudy skies overnight with low temps in upper teens.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 22

**HIGH** 36 **LOW** 19

Cloudy but a little warmer with a high in the mid 30s. High pressure to the north brings light northeast winds. Clouds begin to break in the evening and the low temperature again drops to the upper teens.



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

### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
How do dew points and humidity levels work in subzero temperatures?  
—Sarah Tammen-Gruber, Essex, Ill.

Dear Sarah,  
The dew point is the temperature to which air must be cooled for it to become saturated with water vapor. However, there is nothing special about subzero temperatures. They are a peculiarity of the Fahrenheit temperature scale. (For example, if 200 degrees were added to the Fahrenheit scale, then zero degrees would become 200 on the new scale and your question about zero degrees would refer to temperatures so low they'd never occur on Earth's surface.)

If the temperature is 20 with a dew point of zero degrees, its relative humidity, or RH, would be 41 percent. If the dew point were 20 below, the RH would fall to 16 percent; at a minus-40 dew point, the RH would be 6 percent.

Write to: ASK TOM  
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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

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### Continued cold with below-normal temps and more snow

**COLD WEATHER'S IN CONTROL!**

Temperature departures from normal

SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUE 19	WED 20	THU 21	FRI 22	SAT 23	SUN 24	MON 25	TUE 26	WED 27	THU 28	FRI 1	SAT 2	SUN 3
-3°	-4°	-6°	-5°	-6°	-6°	-4°	+3°	-6°	-4°	-3°	-6°	-9°	-13°	-9°	-14°

**SATURDAY LAKE-EFFECT FLURRIES**

Predicted 6AM Saturday winds

**CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES**

6%	77%	86%	48%	34%
SATURDAY	SAT. NIGHT	SUNDAY	SUN. NIGHT	MONDAY

**SNOWFALL FORECAST**

Estimated Sunday and Sunday night

2" to 6"

**DAYS GETTING LONGER**

Adding about 3 minutes of daylight per day—sunrise to sunset

- 2/16/19: 10 hours, 40 minutes
- 2/28/19: 11 hours, 12 minutes

**SNOWFALL**

2/17 to 2/28 since 1980

- Least: 0.0" (1987, 1988)
- Greatest: 17.0" (1994)
- 2018: 2.0"
- Normal: 3.3"

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

TOM SKILLING, MARK CARROLL, RYNE JAMES AND JENNIFER M. KOHNKE / WGN-TV

### CHICAGO DIGEST

**FRIDAY TEMPERATURES**

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	27	9	Midway	33	11
Gary	36	16	O'Hare	32	8
Kankakee	22	13	Romeoville	31	10
Lakefront	34	12	Valparaiso	37	18
Lansing	26	13	Waukegan	32	9

**CHICAGO PRECIPITATION**

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.00"	0.06"
February to date	1.69"	0.84"
Year to date	3.65"	2.57"

**CHICAGO SNOWFALL**

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Fri. (through 6 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	36.1"	34.3"
Normal to date	25.6"	26.8"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

**LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS**

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Wind	N 10-15 kts.	E 15-20 kts.
Waves	2-4 feet	3-5 feet
Fri. shore/creeper water temps	34°/32°	

**U.S. SNOW COVER**

FEB. 15	2019	2018
Area covered by snow	40.0%	35.7%
Average snow depth	6.5"	4.0"

**TRACKING THE COLD**

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	28 days	25 days
Subzero lows	6 days	6 days

**CHICAGO AIR QUALITY**

Friday's reading: Good  
Saturday's forecast: Good  
Critical pollutant: Particulates

**SATURDAY RISE/SET TIMES**

Sun	6:45 a.m.	5:25 p.m.
Moon	2:01 p.m.	4:21 a.m.

**SATURDAY PLANET WATCH**

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	7:23 a.m.	6:32 p.m.
Venus	4:25 a.m.	1:51 p.m.
Mars	9:13 a.m.	10:51 p.m.
Jupiter	2:48 a.m.	11:59 a.m.
Saturn	4:39 a.m.	1:55 p.m.

**BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION**

Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	5:45 a.m.	115° SE
Mars	7:00 p.m.	415° SW
Jupiter	5:45 a.m.	22° SE
Saturn	5:45 a.m.	95° SE

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

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REVIEW: 2020 MERCEDES-BENZ GLE-CLASS



# Mercedes GLE-Class is a technological tour de force in designer duds

By Steve Siler, New York Daily News

Luxury SUVs have proliferated beyond anyone's expectations, now available in all sizes, all premium price points, and from nearly every premium automaker. Mercedes-Benz now offers seven(!) of them. And besides being rechristened the "GLE-Class" when the outgoing third-generation model was facelifted in 2015, the old GLE-Class got a slant-back coupe sibling around the same time. Now, with some 2,000,000 sold worldwide to date, the Tuscaloosa-built ute has been redesigned. And while it won't be on sale in the U.S. until the spring of 2019 as a 2020 model, we got a chance to drive the all-new GLE-Class at its first global media drive event in San Antonio, Texas.

**Slippery Style, Two Different Looks**

Among my other recollections of the M-Class from my Alabama experience in 1997 was that it drove better than it looked. In 2020 GLE guise, its looks have certainly caught up. Several key styling elements of the outgoing GLE-Class remain, including its draping C-pillar treatment and the general arrangement of the headlamps, grille, and clamshell hood with twin hood bulges, but it's 5 inches longer, one inch wider, and has 3 more inches between axles, giving it a stouter stance while creating room for an occasional-use third-row seat. As with other recent Mercedes models, the GLE's edges and corners have been rounded off, and the last model's shoulder-line creases have been ironed out to river-rock smoothness.

Less angular yet stronger-looking than before, it effectively masks its additional size while setting a new aerodynamic standard in its segment. Its astoundingly low (for an SUV) 0.29 coefficient of drag is 0.3 Cd slicker than the outgoing GLE's 0.32, 0.6 better than the 2019 Porsche Cayenne at 0.35 Cd, and even beats the 0.31 Cd of Porsche's 200-mph-plus 911 Turbo.

The 2020 GLE-Class is offered in a classy monochromatic treatment or a more rugged "off-road" look, the latter featuring a prominent metallic skid plate element curling beneath the front bumper, black overfenders, and a rear bumper that matches the front. Grille choices include a trisected horizontal design or a glitzy arrangement of chrome dots orbiting the prominent three-pointed star.

Customers may further specify darkened window and roof rack bars in lieu of chrome while an array of wheel designs from 19 to 22 inches in diameter may fill out the wheelwells. And, this being 2018, the new GLE-Class features all-LED head- and taillamp units with distinct light signatures.

**Newfound Elegance**

While the exterior has changed considerably, it's not a huge departure from the look of the outgoing model. Different story inside. Not only has the cabin increased in terms of passenger and cargo space but in sophistication and comfort as well.

What struck me first as I plopped myself into the front seat was the sheer elegance of the space. I spent several hours in each of two different GLEs, one with aluminum and standard leather upholstery and the other with a "designo" interior with brown Nappa leather and open-pore wood, the latter clearly more sumptuous and equipped with its bevy of other extras, but the base model's material quality and ambience were not far behind. And if you can't get comfortable in the seats, don't blame Mercedes as the GLE-Class offers seat massagers, front and rear seat heating, front heated armrests, seat coolers, even "seat kinetics," which could make minute adjustments in the seat cushion "to support changes in posture."

The dashboard's calming arrangement of clean, horizontal forms and the new MBUX touchscreen and touchpad interface combine ergonomic simplicity and aesthetic appeal. Within the horizontal plank of glass floating about half an inch off the upper dashboard are a pair of 12.3-inch high-res screens, the leftmost containing the multi-configurable gauge cluster with four distinct themes while the right side displays audio, navigation, climate, and off-road system information, plus numerous app-based functions, including Apple CarPlay and Android Auto.

**Front or Back: One Elegant Sled**

Customers considering a GLE-Class over some of the compact luxury SUVs out there likely intend to use the back seat at least occasionally. Because of this, I also spent a fair amount of time in the second row, enjoying its nearly 3 inches of added legroom and over one inch of additional headroom. Interestingly, the optional 40/20/40 seating arrangement came with adjustments for seatback angle, headrest height, and 4 inches of fore/aft travel — all powered — which makes climbing into the newly available third-row seat on vehicles so equipped that much easier.

The seatbacks may also be folded from the cargo area when loading unexpectedly long items. Also worth mentioning is that the overall sense of luxury seemed undiminished compared to the front seats in terms of fit and finish, materials, and quietness at speed.

**Tech, Tech, and More Tech**

Among the many tricks the new infotainment system can perform is augmented-reality assisted navigation, which switches from map mode to a real-time video image from the front-facing camera, with directional arrows and/or house numbers superimposed on the image to make specific directions that much clearer—particularly handy in complicated interchanges, roundabouts, or dense urban areas with lots of streets in close quarters. Less impressive is the GLE's new "Interior Assistant" — Mercedes' Alexa, if you will — who knows a lot of trivia and can help adjust certain controls and input navigation commands, but whose comprehension skills are, well, about Siri-level, which is to say not always spot on.

The GLE also offers a new "Energizing Comfort" system that uses an "intelligent algorithm" to recommend one of a range of "feel-good programs" that integrate the seat massage function, 64-color ambient lighting system, and music selection to help passengers feel "well and relaxed even during demanding or monotonous journeys." Should they have Garmin wearable devices that monitors their health, they may sync them up, too, for even more tailored selections.

Beyond that are other features, such as a truly enormous head-up display with three banks of selectable information cast upon the windshield; a nifty automatically adjusting driver's seat that takes into account the driver's body size information as entered into the system to position the driver in the optimal driving position; and off-road pages that depict the vehicle's pitch and lateral angles, wheel articulation, and other data relevant to those occasional ventures down the roads less traveled.

**Sweet New Engines**

My reviews of how new, modern Mercedes-Benz models drive tend to be, as a matter of course, a constant spicket of praise. Sure, there are certain aspects, usually at the extreme limits of acceleration, braking, and handling, where one competitor may excel, but for the most part, it's hard to find any new Benz with a "hitch in the gitalong," as they say in the Lone Star State. And with the GLE-Class, praiseworthiness indeed abounds, but let's just say it's a good thing that market launch is still some six months away.

Both engines are outstanding. As with last year, a 6-cylinder engine is offered, only now the V6 is a turbocharged, 3.0-liter inline-6 and comes with the GLE 450 moniker. Said engine boasts uncanny smoothness and formidable output: 362 horsepower and 369 lb.-ft. of torque, aided and abetted in its mostly silent mission by a 9-speed automatic transmission.

Slotting in below the GLE 450 is the GLE 350, the first GLE or M-Class powered by an engine with fewer than 6 cylinders. Its turbocharged, 2.0-liter 4-cylinder engine is paired with the same 9-speed automatic as the GLE 450 and puts out 255 hp and 273 lb.-ft. of torque, enough to accelerate briskly, if not as urgently as could the GLE 450.

Base pricing information for the 2020 GLE 350 and GLE 450 will be available closer to its Spring 2019 launch, but we are assured that prices will only climb modestly from the current model's \$57K-ish starting point despite the addition of many new comfort and safety features. Later in the year, a 2-wheel-drive GLE 350 will join the lineup, with more performance-oriented AMG models expected to follow shortly thereafter.

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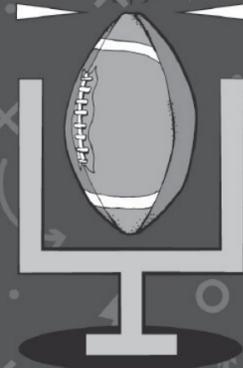
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- 1 Gent
- 4 Swiftly
- 9 Extinct bird
- 13 Come \_\_; find
- 15 Actress Lindsay
- 16 James \_\_ Jones
- 17 " \_\_ grip!"; advice to the hysterical
- 18 Depart
- 19 Oxford, for one
- 20 Certain calendar page
- 22 Baby dogs
- 23 Sty dwellers
- 24 Wet sticky stuff
- 26 Long step
- 29 Many Hewlett-Packard machines
- 34 Very small
- 35 Corn
- 36 Uncooked
- 37 \_\_ out; chimed
- 38 Composure
- 39 In the past
- 40 Cool \_\_ cucumber
- 41 Without companions
- 42 Attempted
- 43 New Orleans team
- 45 Flow back
- 46 2 months ago: abbr.

**DOWN**

- 1 Coffee cup
- 2 Chimps & gorillas
- 3 Memo
- 4 Assert without proof
- 5 Odes & sonnets
- 6 "Moby-Dick" protagonist
- 7 Give in
- 8 Invigorate
- 9 Tyrant
- 10 Waikiki Beach's island
- 11 Word attached to gum or rain
- 12 Bullring shouts
- 14 Catching forty winks
- 21 Orderly
- 47 Whip
- 48 Golfer
- 51 Helper
- 56 Mantilla fabric
- 57 Instruct
- 58 Highway
- 60 Go \_\_; review
- 61 Spooky
- 62 Actress Patty
- 63 Ties the knot
- 64 Short one-act plays
- 65 Novel

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- 28 Of the kidneys
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- 30 Ascend
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- 32 Ran fast
- 33 Uppsala resident
- 35 Night light
- 38 Soothes; pacifies
- 39 Grove
- 41 King topper
- 42 Exam
- 44 Loafers
- 45 Itchy red patches
- 47 Not forbidden
- 48 Farm machine
- 49 As luck would \_\_ it...
- 50 Like petits fours
- 52 Look for
- 53 New Delhi garb
- 54 Person, place or thing
- 55 \_\_ away; subtract
- 59 Dawn grass moisture

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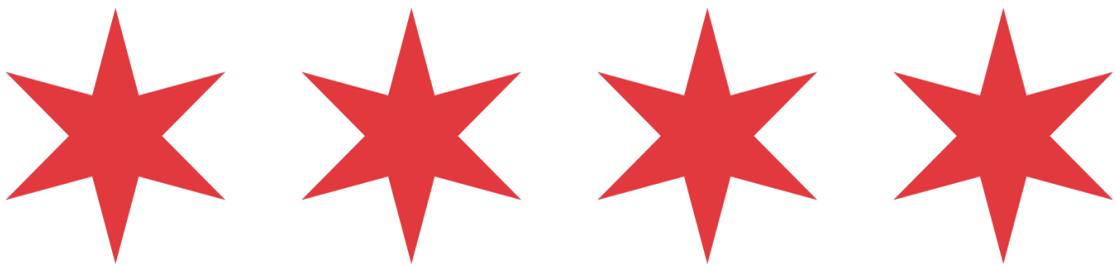

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