



## Pritzker's budget: Optimism, but fight ahead

Governor faces stark political reality of getting plans enacted

BY RICK PEARSON  
Chicago Tribune

In presenting his first budget proposal, Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker dispensed with some of the traditional practices of his predecessors, replacing smoke and mirrors with hopes and prayers.

"It's a tradition in true keeping with our democracy and a task that requires humble honesty and some bold optimism," Pritzker said Wednesday in a combined budget and state of the state address. "Today I offer that proposal and report with an eye toward our shared history and our hopes for the future."

Yet more than optimism and hope will be needed to achieve not only Pritzker's first-term budget objectives but also his longer-term goal of dealing with the state's dismal financial situation. Pritzker offered a host of specific revenue-raising methods in his address, which was largely aimed at setting the stage for his cam-

aign to replace the state's constitutionally mandated flat-rate income tax in favor of an income tax with increased rates for higher incomes. Accomplishing all of that will be no easy task.

"He's an optimistic guy," University of Illinois political scientist Christopher Mooney, a longtime observer of the state's political scene, said of Pritzker. "Maybe it's because he hasn't been in office very long."

In his speech, Pritzker said that in his budget, "The costs are not hidden, the revenues I propose are not out of reach, the hole we need to fill is not ignored. There's no fantasy line item called 'Working together or executive management.'"

It was a pointed reference to his defeated predecessor, Republican Bruce Rauner, who claimed he

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**"I'm left hanging my head and asking why?"**

— Eddie Johnson, Chicago police superintendent, on Jussie Smollett's alleged hoax



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

After bonding out, "Empire" actor Jussie Smollett leaves the Cook County Jail on Thursday amid a crush of reporters screaming questions.

## REAL IRE AT 'EMPIRE' STAR

Chicago's top cop rankled as TV actor accused of faking hate crime

BY MEGAN CREPEAU,  
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AND JASON MEISNER  
Chicago Tribune

Days before Jussie Smollett told police he was the victim of a vicious racist and homophobic attack, the "Empire" star sent a cautious text to a friend, Cook County prosecutors say. "Might need your help on the low," he messaged Abimbola

"Abel" Osundairo, Smollett's co-worker and alleged sometime ecstasy dealer. "You around to meet up and talk face to face?"

The text set in motion an elaborate hoax that had Chicago police working around the clock for three weeks — first to investigate an alleged hate crime, then to dismantle Smollett's phony story, authorities said Thursday as Smollett stood

in court to face a felony charge of filing a false report.

The incident sparked breathless international media coverage and intense social media speculation, accelerated by the political implications of an openly gay black man's alleged assault by attackers who put a noose around his neck.

It also infuriated Chicago police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, who spoke in anger at

a news conference, saying Smollett's hoax dragged "Chicago's reputation through the mud."

Smollett "took advantage of the pain and anger of racism to promote his career," said Johnson, who is black. "I'm left hanging my head and asking why? Why would anyone, especially an African-American man, use the symbolism of a noose to make false accusa-

**HOW IT UNRAVELED:** Police say they were suspicious from the start. **Page 6**

tions?"

Johnson said Smollett first "attempted to gain attention" by sending a fictitious threatening letter to himself at the "Empire" production studios that used "racial, homophobic and political language."

When that didn't work,

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## Aurora mass shooter noted temper issues

Martin years ago told a psychiatrist that he was an 'abuser'

BY ANNIE SWEENEY  
AND STACY ST. CLAIR  
Chicago Tribune

A day after Illinois State Police inquired about Gary Martin's criminal history in 2014, two court clerks in Mississippi discussed whether to send authorities a chilling psychiatric evaluation in which the future mass killer described himself as "an abuser" and admitted to anger issues.

"I have a problem controlling my temper ... when I get real upset?" Martin told a psychiatrist in 1995, according to court records.

Martin, then 22, underwent the court-ordered psychiatric examination after he was sentenced to five years in prison for beating his then-girlfriend

with an aluminum baseball bat and then stabbing her. He was released after serving less than three years, despite his former girlfriend objecting to his release.

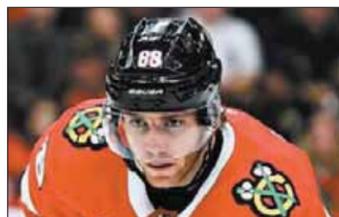
The evaluating psychiatrist detailed Martin's violent nature, especially when he felt sad or abandoned. The psychiatrist also raised concerns that Martin could harm his ex-girlfriend again, but he wrote that Martin did not pose a threat to the general public at that time.

The report ends with an unsettling passage, as the doctor refused to rule out future violence and eerily foreshadowed last week's deadly shooting in Aurora, in which Martin killed five co-workers and injured five police officers.

"Mental health professionals are not able accurately to predict remote future danger-

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### CHICAGO SPORTS



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### Seems to be no limit to what Kane can do

Since Dec. 20, Patrick Kane has 53 points in 25 games. If he keeps up this pace, some Hawks records might fall and the NHL's MVP might be his.

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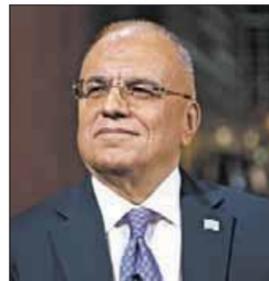
Mayoral candidate turned postings into lucrative law practice

BY BILL RUTHHART  
Chicago Tribune

Perhaps none of the 14 candidates vying to become Chicago's next mayor knows the ins and outs of City Hall better than Gery Chico.

His resume is long on jobs rooted at 121 N. LaSalle St.: research assistant at the Planning Department, attorney for the City Council Finance Committee, chief of staff to then-Mayor Richard M. Daley and president of the school board, Park District and City Colleges.

Amid all those government posts, Chico has taken several spins through the revolving door into the private sector. As a lawyer and lobbyist, he became one of Chicago's top



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Gery Chico is one of 14 candidates vying to become Chicago's next mayor.

rainmakers, reeling in hundreds of clients seeking city contracts, development approvals, tax breaks, bond work and more.

Now as he makes his second run for mayor, Chico finds himself doing a familiar political two-step: accentuating his

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■ The Sunday Quote Acrostic diagram boxes 38, 39 and 63 were incorrect; they did not reflect the words from which the answer letters are drawn. In the upper portion of the corrected boxes, these numerals and letters should appear: 38 J; 39 O; and 63 I. The puzzle creators said the original puzzle was solvable but confusing. The Tribune regrets the error.

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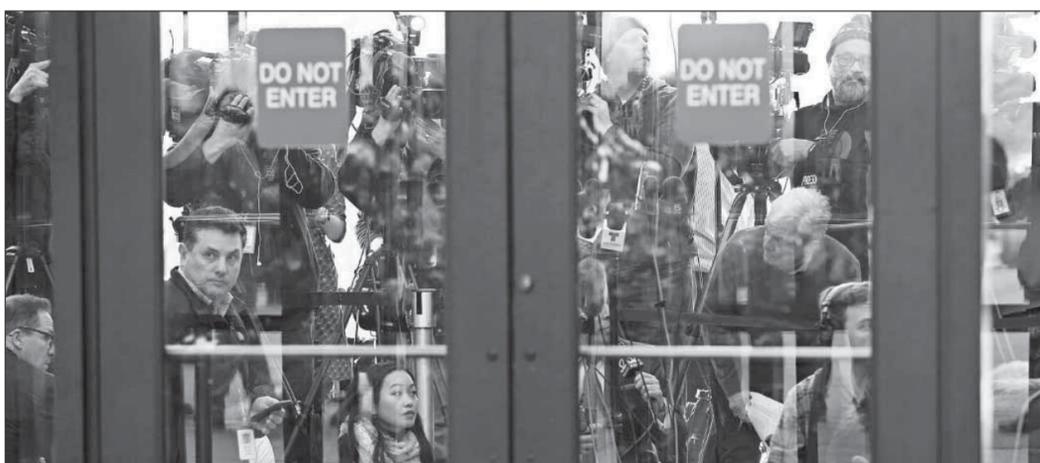
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Members of the media wait inside the Leighton Criminal Court Building for attorneys, family members and supporters of Jussie Smollett, following the actor's hearing on a charge of felony disorderly conduct Thursday.



## JOHN KASS

# Did Jussie Smollett use the media, or was he created by it?

"The question that every single person asks is why?" said CNN anchor Don Lemon. "Why?"

He was speaking, of course, of TV actor Jussie Smollett, who just days ago was the celebrated survivor of pro-Trump Republican bigotry.

Chicago police have a different story. They call him a liar and have charged him with a felony for making a false hate crime report.

So now Smollett is known for something else.

He's known as the fool who is said to have paid his fake attackers by check, so he could be the star and victim of his own fake Republican hate crime.

As Smollett made bond in Cook County Criminal Court on Thursday, he looked rather sad, and exhausted. And Don Lemon asks why.

Why? This has all been quite perplexing to many of the national TV types on CNN and MSNBC and others of the left, this question of why.

But why ask why? Long ago, they set aside old-fashioned journalistic skepticism in order to become performance artists.

TV does such a great job squeezing emotion out of grievances and demanding the federal government address the grievances, legitimate or not.

TV is all about emotion. And herding votes is all about channeling emotion and outrage.

And so, these national TV anchors and pundits of the left continue marching on foot: Left, left, left and ever leftward. They rule America's airwaves. They make superheroes out of people like Jussie Smollett.

It has been argued that some of these TV performers are more loyal to the demands of the electronic grievance industry than they are to the finding of fact. Perhaps.

But they're busy cleaving to a powerful narrative, one that has been pretty much accepted throughout journalism since the 2016 election of Trump: that Republicans and conservatives are evil, racist and bigoted, or at the very least, suspect and dangerous.

They set the rules. They rewarded Smollett for his performance. They used him as their mannequin. And as

an actor, even a lousy one with the depth of a piece of linguine, he understood. He performed as required and that kept the lights shining bright on him.

But those who shone the light, and rewarded him for his performances, need a name for future cases just like this one. Because there will be more cases.

Henceforth, let them be known as The Smolletturo.

"Yes, but of course," said CNN anchor Alisyn Camerota in discussing motive, "there is that appetite for why would a successful actor on a great trajectory, a talented guy, need to do something like this? That will eat at us."

It will eat at you? I certainly hope it will eat at all of you.

Because the Smolletturo is ultimately responsible for Jussie Smollett.

You might say that the Smolletturo created him.

Because what Smollett did actually works. Becoming an official victim of Republican hate is something to be celebrated. It confers leverage and status upon the victim. It is bleeping golden.

And if he hadn't been so idiotic as to have paid the Nigerian brothers by check, if he hadn't been so stupid as to have used his own phone to set things up, it would have worked.

Smollett, TV actor, black and openly gay, understood the rules of this intersectional game.

As a double minority, he could say he'd been set upon by Trump supporters, and who would dare challenge him?

We used to. Reporters used to challenge people. Why? Because people lie to us all the time. The old line from Chicago reporting history, "If your mother says she loves you, check it out," still applies.

And sometimes the people we talk to can't help but lie to themselves.

But when the finding of fact becomes subject to a political narrative, something bad happens, in law enforcement or journalism.

Smollett's rather ridiculous account wasn't immediately challenged. ABC's Robin Roberts acted like his den mother or journalistic cheerleader.

And there's the thought crime issue to deal with.

Who wants to be accused of insensitivity or anti-gay bigotry or racism? These can be career-enders. Journalists know this.

Still, in the main, Chicago reporters kept their skepticism. But the national pundits, the influential members of the great and powerful Smolletturo, were true believers.

Some applauded. Smollett's story, however ridiculous, could be used to generate fury and outrage and rally the left against common enemies — Trump and Republicans.

But is that journalism? Or is it propaganda and performance?

In his now infamous interview with ABC's Roberts, Smollett bragged about his anti-Trump politics. He said his attackers put a noose around his neck, that one of them shouted "This is MAGA country!"

He said he believed "in truth."

All of this made Chicago police Superintendent Eddie Johnson angry. Johnson didn't mince words at his news conference on Thursday.

Johnson, a black man, condemned Smollett, a black man, for using a noose as a prop. That mocked the real and ugly and deadly history of African-Americans as true victims of racism, Johnson said.

"To make things worse," Johnson said, "the accusations within this phony attack received national attention for weeks."

"Celebrities, news commentators, and even presidential candidates weighed in on something that was choreographed by an actor," Johnson said.

The inconvenient truth in all of this?

Smollett is an actor, and a rather stupid one at that. He's considered the criminal, yes, but he performed as expected. He played the innocent victim of Republican intolerance.

The Smolletturo approved. They enabled him.

And now they ask why?

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# Sorry, bigots, but I'm not sorry for once trusting Jussie Smollett



DAHLEEN GLANTON

It now appears that Jussie Smollett may have made up the story of his attack. If true, it is disgraceful and, in my opinion, inexcusable.

But let's be clear. Just because one person lied about a racist and homophobic incident does not let all bigots off the hook. This is not a reprieve for anyone who has set a bomb off in a mosque or sprayed a synagogue with deadly gunfire.

We live in a country where bigotry is commonplace. And that's just as disgraceful and inexcusable as someone staging a fake attack.

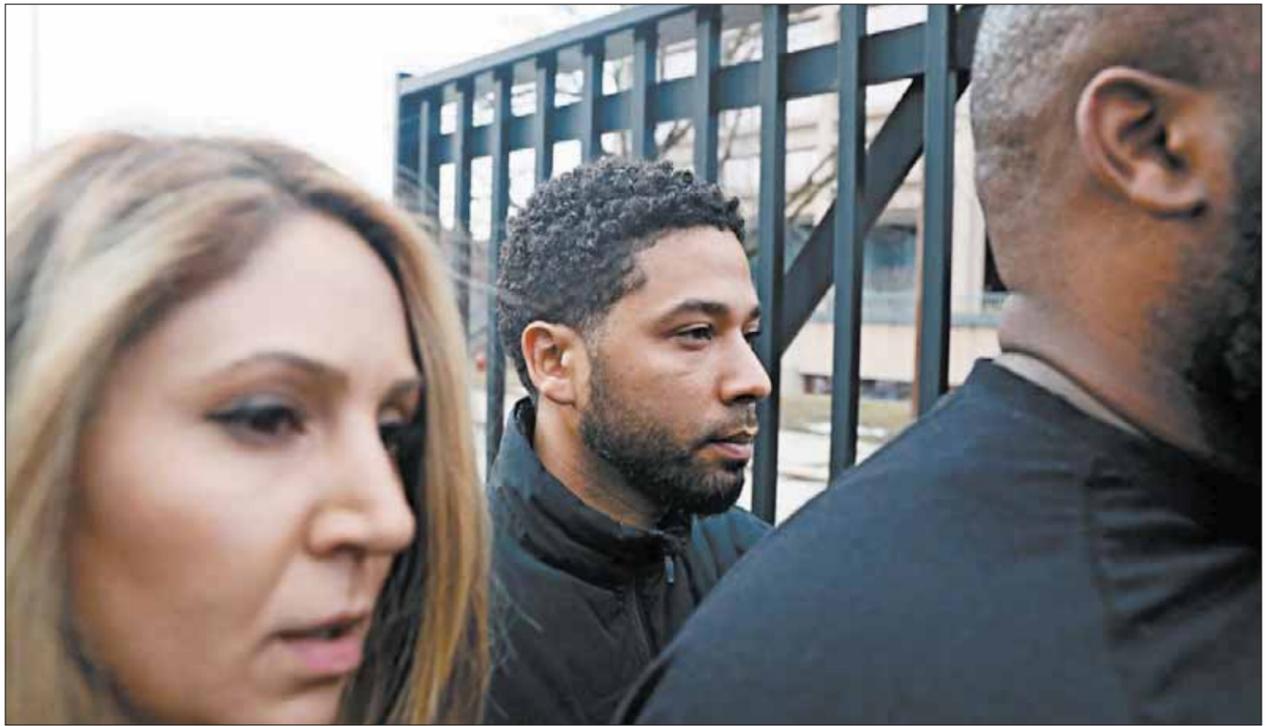
Now that police have officially accused Smollett of lying that supporters of President Donald Trump doused him with bleach, hung a noose around his neck and shouted, "This is MAGA country," bigots seem to think they are due an apology.

They insist that only race-baiters would believe that such a horrible thing could actually happen in America. They can't see how anyone could possibly consider an African-American man to be a victim, let alone a gay one.

They are the real victims here, these angry Trump supporters contend. Though they helped put a so-called "bigot-in-chief" in office, they insist that they are being unfairly blamed for forcing America down this treacherous and agonizing road of intolerance.

They desperately needed vindication to prove that bigots aren't as bad as people think they are. They needed someone they could, for once, point a finger at for the infectious venom spewing from our nation.

As far as bigots are concerned, Smollett gave it to them. The liberal media, the Trump haters and Hillary Clinton lovers are the real problem with America, they surmised. Finally, they have a chance to dump America's hateful garbage at somebody else's feet.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

"Empire" actor Jussie Smollett, center, leaves Cook County Jail on Thursday after posting bond.

So they celebrated on Thursday when Smollett appeared in court to face charges. They took to social media to boast "told you so" when police said the actor had staged the Chicago attack as well as sent a threatening letter to himself as a ploy to get a higher salary for his role on the Fox television show "Empire."

Bigots are acting as though their lottery numbers finally came in, and they are walking away with a bigger jackpot than they could have imagined.

They have been trying unsuccessfully to silence anyone who steps up and calls out racism and bigotry for the evils they are. Now, they are hoping the Smollett incident will force these so-called race-baiters to retreat to a corner, afraid to utter another word.

It would be in the bigots' best interest if no one pointed out that the number of hate groups operating in America reached a record high last year — more than 1,020, according to the Southern

Poverty Law Center. It would suit them just fine if everyone ignored the fact there had been three years of decline in the groups under President Barack Obama, but since Trump launched his presidential bid in 2015, the numbers have grown for four years straight.

From now on, they want America to be wary of anyone who claims to have been attacked because of their race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or gender identity. They want us to believe that the so-called "Trump effect" is a conspiracy theory orchestrated by liberals to discredit the president and portray his supporters as idiots.

But we won't forget that three men, including the owner of a company that sought to build Trump's border wall, were charged with setting off a bomb at the Dar al-Farooq Islamic Center in suburban Minneapolis in 2017 as people prepared for morning prayers.

We remember the two brothers in Boston who were sentenced for urinating on a homeless immigrant and beating him with a metal pole in 2015 while saying, "Donald Trump was right."

Of course, we will never forget the massacre last October at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh or Dylann Roof's deadly attack at Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston the day after Trump announced his candidacy. But we also won't forget about Stuart Wright, the Chicago accountant and white supremacist with a swastika tattooed on his back who was caught on video in 2017 smashing windows and defacing the front door of the Chicago Loop Synagogue.

Over time, the name Jussie Smollett will become as distant as Susan Smith, the South Carolina mother who murdered her two children in 1994 and lied that an African-American man had taken

them in a carjacking, and Charles Stuart, who murdered his pregnant wife in Boston in 1989 and blamed it on a black assailant.

But we will keep on talking about every racist and bigoted attack that occurs under Trump's watch. And when he's gone from office, we'll keep shining a spotlight.

Bigots may think that Smollett handed them a huge victory with his apparent lies. But the rest of us are going to make sure they don't get to hold on to the prize.

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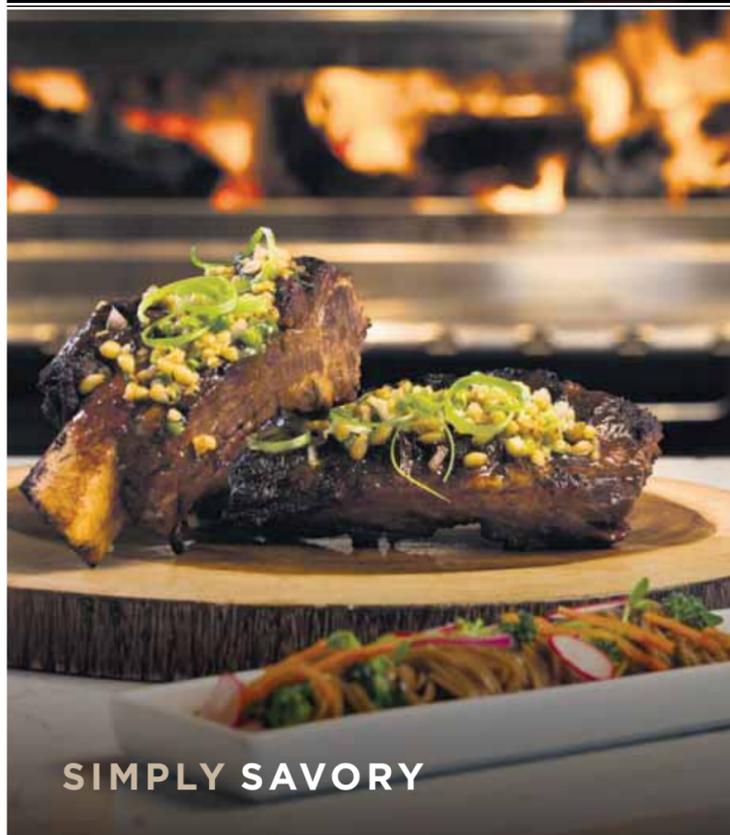
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## Preckwinkle adviser offers apology for Nazi post

Facebook entry had criticized Lightfoot

BY GREGORY PRATT  
Chicago Tribune

A top campaign adviser to Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle apologized Thursday after invoking Nazis to criticize former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot in a Facebook post.

Preckwinkle aide Scott Cisek posted a comment on Facebook after the Tribune published a story detailing Lightfoot's legal career. The story noted a respected federal appellate court judge in 1999 had reprimanded Lightfoot when she was a young prosecutor, concluding that she misled another judge.

Defending herself, Lightfoot described her role as "a junior lawyer following the advice of people who were much more experienced than me" and noted the Justice Department later found she had not "engaged in professional misconduct or exercised poor judgment."

Responding to a comment that highlighted the judge's opinion, Cisek posted an image of the Nuremberg trials of Nazis with the caption "Just following orders" posted at the top. At the bottom, the image reads: "Historically that excuse hasn't worked out so well." The comment references a common defense presented by Nazis charged with war crimes after World War II.

Cisek later deleted the post and also tweeted, "I apologize for my Facebook comment. It was a stupid comment and I took it down."

The Facebook post, which sparked heavy criticism on social media, comes in the waning days before the Feb. 26 election.

Preckwinkle's campaign did not have an immediate comment.

In a statement, Lightfoot criticized Preckwinkle.

"Politics is a tough business," Lightfoot said. "I knew that before I jumped in. But it is disturbing to me that a mayoral candidate's top adviser believes the genocide of millions of people is a casual enough subject to be used as a joke to settle a political argument."

Public policy consultant Amara Enyia released a statement noting, "This foolishness from Toni Preckwinkle's senior adviser is a testament to the values and character of her campaign."

"This is the latest in a long history of problematic behavior from several of Preckwinkle's closest advisers," Enyia said.

And Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza tweeted, "There's no place for this kind of rhetoric in any civilized discourse. An apology to (Lightfoot) is in order."

The Cisek post is the second incident this week where a Preckwinkle ally drew attention to her campaign by going after Lightfoot. State Rep. Robert Martwick confronted Lightfoot at a news conference she called on Monday to criticize legislation he proposed making the county assessor a political appointee — a move that backfired after the two engaged in a shouting match that was widely viewed as a mistake on his part.

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EPA testing in December and January shows the concentration of ethylene oxide in the air keeps increasing near Sterigenics.

## Bad air reading rises near Sterigenics

EPA records highest level of cancer-causing gas in Willowbrook since it began testing near facility

BY TONY BRISCOE  
Chicago Tribune

The levels of ethylene oxide detected by air monitors near Sterigenics in Willowbrook in January were the highest readings since the federal government began testing, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The EPA released new data Thursday suggesting that the concentrations of ethylene oxide gas, a known carcinogen used as a sterilizing agent for medical equipment, were more than 20 percent higher than alarmingly high levels discovered in December. The new measurements were taken between Jan. 2 and Jan. 17 at several sites near Sterigenics' sterilization plant.

Since November, the average level of ethylene oxide over 23 days that the EPA monitored for the colorless gas was 2.3 micrograms per cubic meter of air at Willowbrook's Village Hall and 3.6 at a nearby EPA warehouse. The highest daily average concentration was found Jan. 15 at the EPA warehouse where ethylene oxide levels were found to be 14.3 micrograms per cubic meter of air.

By comparison, regular exposure to 2.1 micrograms of ethylene oxide per cubic meter of air could trigger more than six cases of cancer for every 1,000 people exposed, according to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, an arm of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Federal regulators generally target polluters when local cancer risks are greater than 100 in 1 million. Breathing ethylene oxide can increase long-term risk of breast cancer, leukemia and lymphomas at extremely low levels.

"We see the highest concentrations occur at the two closest sites, at the Village Hall and EPA warehouse site," said Mike Koerber, associate director for policy at the U.S. EPA's Air Quality Planning and Standards. "So we continue to believe that the facility is responsible for a considerable amount of ethylene oxide in this area."

Prior to the release of the new test results, the highest level

recorded in the complex of commercial and government buildings near Sterigenics was 11.7 micrograms per cubic meter on Dec. 6. The elevated readings were especially perturbing to residents and public officials considering that Sterigenics installed a pollution-control system last summer to lower ethylene oxide emissions.

On Thursday, the EPA said it could not speak to the effectiveness of that equipment. It also failed to offer an explanation as to why emissions at the facility continue to climb.

The village of Willowbrook has hired an independent testing agency to perform sampling for ethylene oxide at several locations, including Village Hall and the Police Department. Those results, which were much higher than the EPA figures, included airborne concentrations of 320 micrograms per cubic meter outside the police station, according to court documents filed Wednesday.

On Thursday, the EPA said it had been in touch with the laboratory carrying out the village's inquiry and had been sharing information, but officials did not directly address the discrepancies between their numbers.

The new measurements come almost a week after Gov. J.B. Pritzker ordered the Illinois EPA to ban Sterigenics from using ethylene oxide at its Willowbrook plant, citing the high levels of the cancer-causing gas.

Sterigenics filed an emergency motion in federal court to lift the ban, but a judge sided Wednesday with the attorney general's office, which argued, in part, that the public health risk outweighed any downside to Sterigenics' customers.

U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski said the new measurements affirm the decision to halt operations.

"The Willowbrook ethylene oxide data released by the U.S. EPA today shows a disturbing trend that validates the state's decision to suspend operations at Sterigenics," Lipinski said Thursday in a statement. "With each new data release, measured ETO levels have increased. When combined with the independent data collected by the village of

Willowbrook, these numbers paint a picture of a facility whose emissions are out of control. Unless and until significant changes are made to how the facility controls its emissions, it must not be allowed to reopen. I will continue to pressure the U.S. EPA to join the state in putting the health and safety of the public first."

Officials with Sterigenics declined to comment.

The Chicago Tribune first reported that federal and state officials began taking a closer look at Sterigenics in late 2017 after determining that the cancer risks in one census tract near the facility are more than nine times higher than the national average. By the time the U.S. EPA quietly posted its findings online in August, another federal agency had estimated the effects could be significantly more dire, prompting demands from local, state and federal lawmakers for an in-depth investigation.

About 19,000 people in southeast DuPage County live within a mile of the Willowbrook facility. Four schools and a day care center are in the area, including Hinsdale South High School in Darien and Gower Middle School in Burr Ridge.

Willowbrook resident Sri Rao lives less than 2 miles from Sterigenics and around the corner from Gower West Elementary School, where his 8-year-old son attends class. Since learning about the elevated cancer risk, his family has stayed in hotels or even taken four-hour drives to stay with family in suburban Detroit, including over this past holiday weekend.

Rao, an organizer with the grass-roots group Stop Sterigenics, made a recent trip with neighbors to testify in Springfield, where lawmakers introduced four new bills addressing ethylene oxide.

"This has become my second job, and I'm not alone," Rao said. "The whole Stop Sterigenics group, we're sacrificing time with family and our jobs to do this."

One bill would require a facility to notify property owners and local government when a leak occurs. Another calls for "regular and frequent" inspections and testing to ensure there are no unintended emissions of ethylene oxide. A third prompts the Illinois EPA to re-evaluate permits

for any facility emitting ethylene oxide.

To see the elevated concentrations in Willowbrook continue, Rao said, is disheartening for homeowners.

"It's still a raw sore eating at us every day," he said. "Who's going to buy our homes? Where will we go?"

Residents in Lake County are even more concerned.

Two other companies — Vantage Specialty Chemicals in Gurnee and Medline Industries in Waukegan — continue to release the same toxic gas into neighborhoods where nearly 42,000 people live. Yet the Trump administration has brushed aside petitions from members of the Illinois congressional delegation to monitor air quality near the Lake County sites, even though federal scientists estimate that, as in Willowbrook, surrounding areas face some of the highest long-term cancer risks in the U.S. from toxic air pollution.

U.S. Reps. Brad Schneider and Lauren Underwood and U.S. Sens. Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth released another statement Thursday demanding testing around the two facilities in Lake County.

Sterigenics is closed, but the EPA plans to continue monitoring for ethylene oxide until the end of February, after which it will release data from 16 additional dates of testing. Those will be factored into a risk assessment that will be released in the spring.

Although this operations freeze could further clarify how much Sterigenics contributes to the staggering levels of ethylene oxide, some residents worry that emissions could continue from the medical supplies that already have been sterilized. According to the EPA, ethylene oxide has an estimated half-life in air ranging from 69 to 149 days, meaning it takes much longer for the gas to fully dissipate.

"It could be months to go before we get clean air," Rao said. "They're testing now and next week. If they still see high readings, Sterigenics is going to say, 'Hey, it's not our fault. We're shut down.' But it takes time."

U.S. EPA officials said the agency will hold a public meeting in Willowbrook on its findings in May.

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## County board OKs \$1.5M settlement in 2013 jail beating case

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Cook County commissioners approved a \$1.5 million settlement in a lawsuit brought against the county over a 2013 jail beating.

The lawsuit stemmed from a 2010 arrest in which a woman diagnosed with bipolar disorder returned to what had once been her family home in Wilmette.

The woman forgot her parents had sold the home, entered the house and drank a bottle of wine, her attorney Bradley Schulman said in a statement. The owners came home, called the police, and she was arrested, Schulman said.

The woman initially was deemed unfit to stand trial but in September 2013 was sent to Cook County Jail, the lawyer said. There she was categorized as someone who should be housed in the psychiatric unit, but instead she was switched to the general

population, her lawyer said.

Another inmate, who had a history of violence and was off her bipolar medication, "assaulted (her) because (she) was talking to herself," Schulman said.

Schulman's client developed a massive brain bleed and was in a coma for a month. She then went to rehabilitation and was sent to a nursing home for rehab for three years, the attorney said.

"Cook County Jail should not have placed a nonviolent psychiatric patient in the same cell with a bipolar violent offender who was off her medication," Schulman said.

Cook County sheriff's spokeswoman Cara Smith released a statement strenuously denying the jail's liability for the woman's injuries. Smith said it's up to the Cook County hospitals system to diagnose detainees.

"Those diagnoses are relied upon in part to make housing decisions for detainees in our

care. At the time, our housing decisions were directed and overseen by Department of Justice monitors to ensure best practices," Smith said. "This case was settled without our involvement."

A spokeswoman for the hospitals said in a written statement, "We were not defendants in this case nor were we consulted in the settlement discussion/decision. It is our understanding that the clinical employees who were named defendants in the case are state employees." She referred further questions to the state's attorney's office. A state's attorney spokeswoman did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

In other news, commissioners approved an ordinance to ban and erase the county's database documenting the names of alleged gang members. The ordinance prohibits the county from maintaining a gang database effective Jan. 15, mandates destroying the

records under a process established by state law and prohibits the sheriff from restarting the database or inputting individuals' names "into any external gang designation database," the ordinance says.

Dart's office previously said it had decommissioned the database, but Commissioner Alma Anaya pushed for an ordinance to make it legally binding.

Anaya greeted a group of community activists before a committee meeting Wednesday and praised them for their advocacy against the gang database.

"They were the ones calling commissioners, they were the ones trying to sit down with the press," Anaya said. "I think their push meant so much to getting it accomplished and passed."

Dart's office released a statement hailing the measure.

"This ordinance is a result of tremendous collaboration be-

tween our office and commissioners Anaya, (Stanley) Moore and (Larry) Suffredin," the statement said. "We are grateful for the hard work and diligence that allowed us to come to agreement on this important issue."

The board also passed an ordinance introduced by Commissioner Kevin Morrison creating a Committee on Addressing Bias, Equity and Cultural Competency.

"County government should explore all avenues that will foster a workforce that is more culturally responsive and competent," Morrison said in a statement. "Safe and welcoming working conditions and services should be prioritized."

Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle did not hold her customary post-board meeting news conference with reporters for the second month in a row.

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# Pritzker preaches optimism, but political fight ahead

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had presented a balanced budget plan in 2017. But Rauner's proposal relied on "working together on a grand bargain" with lawmakers to produce nearly \$4.6 billion — an effort that stalled when the GOP governor said negotiations fell short of what he was seeking to help business and weaken unions.

But in calling his plan "an honest proposal," Pritzker, who is transitioning from campaigning to governing, also faces the challenge of turning rhetoric into reality against a variety of political headwinds.

As a bridge to his graduated income tax, he proposed nearly \$1.3 billion in new revenues to avoid what he said would be a 4 percent budget cut for every department, which would not affect mandated items like pension costs and debt, and also would not affect employee health care.

His plan includes \$382 million in new revenues from legalizing sports betting and marijuana — two complex issues that could require a lengthy administrative rules and oversight process that could make a quick cash infusion to the state difficult.

He proposed raising \$55 million by hiking the state's \$1.98-per-pack tax on cigarettes by 32 cents — a move that will exacerbate concerns of lawmakers in border areas that have already seen people crossing the Illinois state line for cheaper, less-taxed goods.

He set the stage for lawmakers to come to grips with funding a massive road, bridge, transit and public works program while offering no specifics on what it would contain or how it would be paid for. One potential source of funding, a gas-tax hike, also could create problems for border-area lawmakers fearing people fleeing local businesses for cheaper gas and smokes.

Pritzker also wants to generate \$20 million from a 5 cent-per-bag tax on plastic shopping bags. According to Mooney, that is evidence of an inferior tax system that has nickled-and-dimed taxpayers for years at the expense of comprehensive tax reform.

"Our tax system is so messed up from top to bottom, a ragtag band of stuff that got put together over the years because the politicians don't have the courage to sit down and have an honest conversation with the people," Mooney said.

The graduated-rate income tax, however, might be a start to that conversation. It would require a state constitutional amendment approved by three-fifths majorities of the House and Senate before facing ratification from voters. Adoption of the measure would require either support from three-fifths of those voting



Gov. J.B. Pritzker delivers his first budget address at the Illinois Capitol in Springfield on Wednesday. "The costs are not hidden, the revenues I propose are not out of reach, the hole we need to fill is not ignored," he said.

on the issue or a majority of those voting in the election.

The amendment proposal, if passed, wouldn't come before voters until the 2020 general election. It would likely be the most expensive ballot proposition in state history.

Already, two "dark money" groups that do not have to disclose their donors have formed on each side and it's likely that others will join in.

Ideas Illinois, chaired by the retired head of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, Greg Baise, has already launched a digital ad campaign assailing a graduated income tax as a "jobs tax" on Illinois' economy.

On the other side is Think Big Illinois, which is headed by Quentin Fulks, a former deputy campaign manager of Pritzker's bid for governor. It is following Pritzker's effort to brand the graduated tax as a "fair tax."

The graduated-rate tax, a theme of Pritzker's campaign, has been the new governor's answer to the fiscal problems facing the state — from coping with its massive pension debt to curbing ever skyrocketing property taxes.

In his speech, he vowed to be "relentless in pursuing" the graduated tax over the next two years and said his office would begin "immediate" talks with lawmakers on proposed tax rates.

"Pritzker's going to have to be skillful to get it done. It's not a no-brainer," Mooney said.

Senate President John Cullerton's 40-19 majority of Democrats over Republicans is likely to come up with the minimum 36 votes needed to pass the constitutional amendment. But there could be potential difficulties in the House,

where Democrats hold a 73-44 advantage under Speaker Michael Madigan.

It takes a minimum of 71 votes to approve a constitutional amendment in the House. With 2020 a legislative election year and Madi-

gan's priority on keeping control of the chamber, he cannot afford major defections as he tries to hold seats he picked up in traditionally Republican suburban areas as a result of November's blue wave.

Madigan and Democrats would clearly like some Republican votes for increasing revenue in the short term and the graduated tax in the long term to help provide them with political cover but that ap-

pears doubtful.

In a post-speech statement, Madigan didn't embrace any specifics of Pritzker's speech and said only that he looked forward to discussions that would "bring all options to the table for honest negotiation."

Mooney said that absent the politics, it is "hard to believe at this point in our history that the fairness of progressive income taxation is even a question."

"We've been exposed to it our entire lives," he said, citing the federal graduated-rate income tax.

"It can be rational, fair and efficient in producing the revenue you need without distorting economic decisions. It's easy to adjust. As inflation increases, (revenues) also increase," he said.

But Mooney said, even if voters have the tax rates in advance and know how it would affect them, opponents have a powerful messaging opportunity.

"There are ways of spinning the argument to make it look bad. Why should (voters) trust state government at this point?" he said. "It's a complicated issue, but fundamentally do you trust government with this?"

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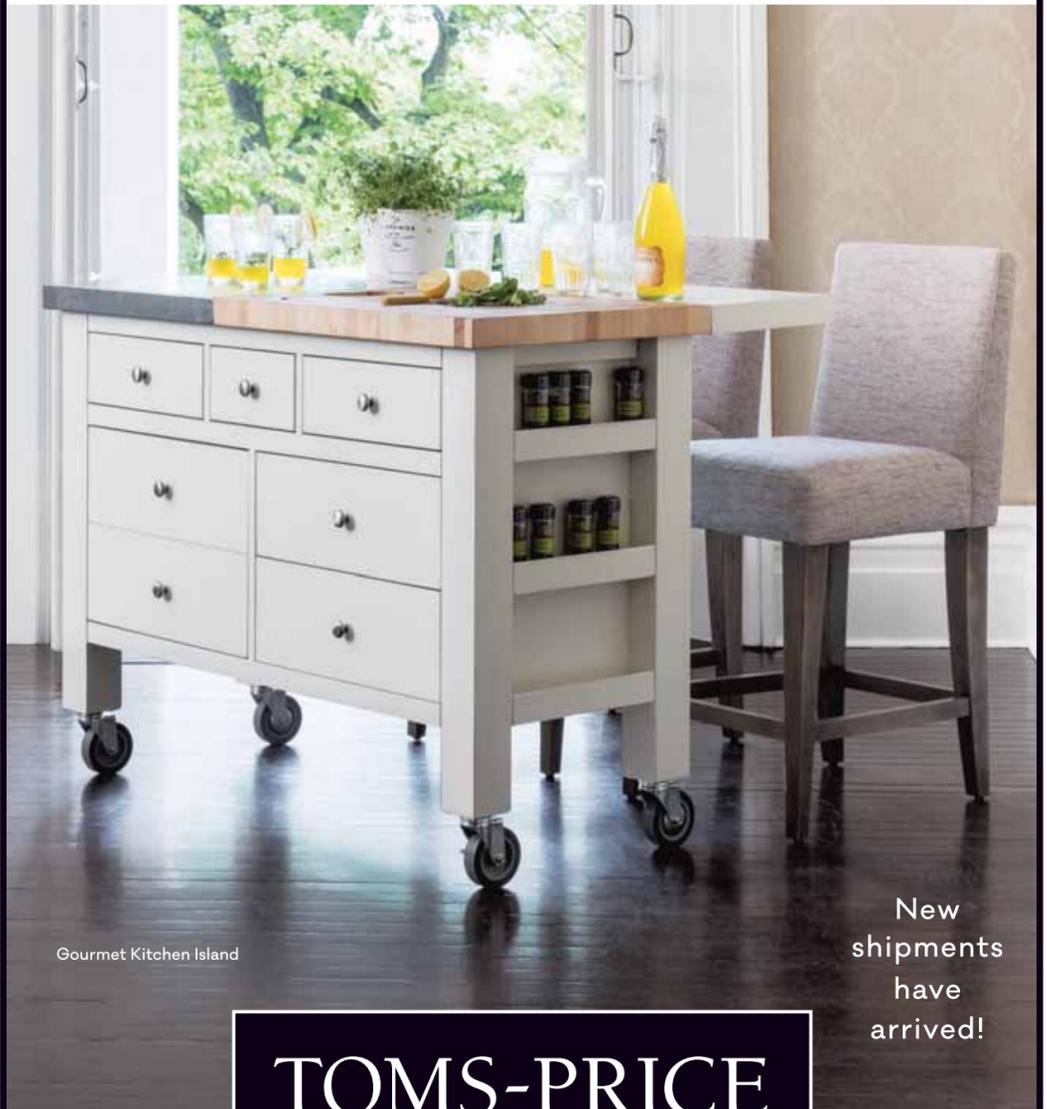
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## INSIDE JUSSIE SMOLLETT'S ALLEGED PLOT

## Police say they were suspicious from start

Reports show how case was unraveled

BY JEREMY GORNER, WILLIAM LEE AND TRACY SWARTZ  
Chicago Tribune

Things were uncertain on the set of Fox's "Empire" show: Ratings were down, and the network hadn't announced if the musical drama would be picked up for a sixth season. A major character was going to die this year, but the network hadn't revealed who that would be.

But one thing was certain. Jussie Smollett, who plays an R&B singer and songwriter on the show, felt he should be paid more. And that, according to Chicago police, led the actor to devise an elaborate but shaky scheme to fake racial and homophobic threats that would bring him more attention and hopefully more money.

Following is how Smollett plotted his own attack and how Chicago police unraveled it, according to police reports and court documents.

### The letter

The first part of the plan was set in motion Jan. 18, when a white envelope was sent to Smollett at production studios on Chicago's West Side. It reached the actor four days later. The letters "MAGA" were written, in red ink, in the return address section of the envelope. Inside was a threat in cut-out letters: "You will die black (expletive)." There was white powder in the envelope, but it was determined to be crushed pain reliever, according to police.

The letter was handed over to the FBI, but there was little, if any, publicity about it. This upset Smollett, so he plotted a fake attack and decided to enlist the help of two brothers he knew from the show, Abimbola and

Olabinjo Osundairo. "Might need your help on the low. You around to meet up and talk face to face?" he texted Abimbola Osundairo, who also supplied Smollett with designer drugs.

### The attack

The two arranged to meet on Jan. 25, three days after Smollett received the letter in the mail. Smollett asked Abimbola Osundairo's brother to help. Both brothers agreed, and Smollett laid out the script for them to follow: On the evening of Jan. 28, the brothers were to approach Smollett near his apartment building in Streeterville, yell "Empire f-----" and "Empire n-----" and then attack him "but not hurt him too badly and give him a chance to appear to fight back." The brothers were also instructed to place a rope around his neck, pour gasoline on him and yell, "This is MAGA country." The actor gave them \$100 to buy supplies, including red caps that resembled MAGA hats.

On Jan. 27, Smollett drove the brothers by the scene near stairs at New and North Water streets. He pointed to a camera and said he wanted the staged attack to be captured by it. He also decided to switch to bleach instead of gasoline. And he told the brothers to leave their phones at home.

On Jan. 28, the brothers bought supplies and deposited a check from Smollett for \$3,500. But Smollett's plane was late arriving from New York, and the attack was pushed back to around 2 a.m. the next day.

On Jan. 29, around 2:30 a.m., police were called to Smollett's apartment building in the 300 block of East North Water Street. The actor told officers he was attacked by two men while out getting food from a Subway sandwich shop around 2 a.m.

While the initial police report mentioned nothing about the race of the alleged attackers, Smollett later told detectives he thought at



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Actor Jussie Smollett's Cook County sheriff's office booking mug.

least one of them was "white-skinned." Both brothers are black.

### The doubts

Police sources say they had suspicions about the story from the start: Smollett asked responding officers to turn off their body cameras before their interview began. A high-resolution camera in the lobby of the apartment building showed Smollett entering the building after the supposed attack. Sources said Smollett did not look upset and was still carrying a sandwich he had bought at a Subway sandwich shop. A witness in the area at the time heard nothing. And Smollett's late-night sandwich run and the attack both occurred during a brutal cold snap.

Smollett made a point of telling police the attack happened in front of a police surveillance camera. But as it turned out, the camera did not point in his direction, so there was no footage of what he had just staged, as he had hoped.

That made detectives work harder to find video of the assault, and at one point more than 20 detectives were assigned to the case, many of them checking nearly every camera in Streeterville. And that, police said, caused the scheme to unravel over the

next few weeks.

"The way that they carried this out, there was never a thought in their mind that we would be able to track (them) down," Chicago police Superintendent Eddie Johnson said during a Thursday news conference. "Because these detectives, they put in intense work."

On Jan. 30, a "full scale" hate crime investigation was launched as detectives searched for video and witnesses, interviewing more than 100 people. They quickly found footage of two people captured by a surveillance camera on New Street near Illinois Street between 1:30 and 1:45 a.m. Smollett said he was attacked about 15 to 30 minutes later around the corner. The images, however, were dark, and the faces indistinguishable. A community alert was issued.

Detectives found about 35 police surveillance cameras and about 20 private cameras to track the movements of the brothers. They had taken a ride-sharing service from their home to downtown on the night of the attack, then grabbed a cab to where the attack happened, he said. About half an hour after the reported attack, they got a cab at the Hyatt Regency across the Chicago River and were dropped off not far from their North Side home. Area Central Detective Cmdr. Edward Wodnicki said people allowed detectives to view private cameras along the way.

Hours after the supposed attack, the brothers went to O'Hare International Airport and took a plane to Nigeria. Detectives learned they bought round-trip tickets to return to Chicago on Feb. 13. As investigators waited for them to return, police executed more than 50 search warrants and subpoenas. Working with Cook County prosecutors, detectives also combed through phone records and social media records.

By Feb. 13, a team that included the FBI, Customs agents and O'Hare cops were waiting for the

brothers. They asked for an attorney. "We took them into custody. We read them their rights," Wodnicki said. They were brought to the Area Central detective headquarters, where their attorney, Gloria Schmidt, showed up.

It was around this time that the "investigation started to spin in a completely new direction," Wodnicki said. Detectives found the check for \$3,500 and obtained phone records showing the two brothers and Smollett talked to one another "quite a bit" before and after the attack, including when the brothers were out of the country.

During an interview on "Good Morning America," Smollett said he was positive that the two people on the video were his attackers. "I don't have any doubt in my mind that that's them. Never did." Since the two brothers were the men in the video, Smollett had just identified them as his "attackers," Wodnicki said, helping to put pressure on them.

By Feb. 15, the brothers had been in custody for about 47 hours. At the end of the day, the two men were released without charges.

Detectives tried to schedule an appointment before the grand jury on Tuesday, but Smollett's lawyers said they had evidence and asked to detectives to postpone any grand jury appearance. However, Smollett's lawyers "essentially gave us no new information," Wodnicki said. On Wednesday, the two brothers testified before the grand jury to lock in their statement under oath.

"I'm told they did an excellent job, and then the state's attorney's office approved charges against Jussie for the Class 4 disorderly conduct (charge)," Wodnicki said. Police met with Smollett's attorneys and arranged for him to surrender at 5 a.m. Thursday morning.

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## 'Chicago's reputation through the mud'

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Johnson said, Smollett paid \$3,500 to two burly brothers to carry out the staged attack in downtown Chicago, promising them another \$500 later. He was "dissatisfied with his salary" on the television show, the superintendent told reporters and photographers from around the country at police headquarters.

When detectives figured out the real motive behind the attack, Johnson said, "quite frankly, it pissed everybody off."

Hours later, Smollett endured the wrath of another black authority figure, Judge John Fitzgerald Lyke Jr., who said he couldn't in good conscience release the 36-year-old actor from custody on his own recognizance. Instead he set bond at \$100,000.

"The most vile and despicable part of it, if it's true, is the noose," said Lyke, voicing a similar theme to Johnson's. "That symbol conjures up such evil in this country's history."

Shortly before 4 p.m., after a friend posted the necessary \$10,000, a stone-faced Smollett left Cook County Jail amid a crush of reporters screaming questions.

He then headed for the "Empire" studios on the West Side, where cast members and crew are trying to wrap up shooting for the final episodes of Season 5.

Thursday night, a statement from Smollett's legal team called the allegations part of "an organized law enforcement spectacle that has no place in the American legal system."

"Mr. Smollett is a young man of impeccable character and integrity who fiercely and solemnly maintains his innocence and feels betrayed by a system that apparently wants to skip due process and proceed directly to sentencing," the statement said.

In court, prosecutors said Smollett came up with the idea of the phony attack after being disappointed in the studio's response to the threatening letter he had received days earlier — a letter Chicago police said was also faked.

The letter threatened Smollett by name and had "MAGA" — a reference to President Donald Trump's "Make America Great Again" campaign slogan — written on the envelope. It also contained a powdery substance later found to be crushed pain reliever, Assis-

tant State's Attorney Risa Lanier said in court.

Cook County prosecutors said Smollett recruited Abel Osundairo, who works as a stand-in for Smollett's love interest on "Empire," to fake the attack.

After Smollett texted Osundairo, the two met at Cinespace Studios on Jan. 25, prosecutors said. As he drove Osundairo to his apartment in the Lakeview neighborhood, Smollett laid out his plan, they alleged.

Outside the residence, they summoned Osundairo's brother, Olabinjo "Ola" Osundairo, to the car, and both brothers agreed to take part in the plot, prosecutors said.

"Smollett further detailed that he wanted Abel to attack him, but not hurt him too badly and give him a chance to appear to fight back," Lanier said.

In addition, they were to yell racial and homophobic slurs, put a rope around his neck and shout, "This is MAGA country," according to the prosecutor.

Smollett gave them a \$100 bill to buy rope, ski masks, gloves and red baseball caps that would look like the hats sported by Trump, Lanier said.

story, but the actor refused to turn over his full phone records.

After skepticism surfaced, Smollett stuck to his story in a Feb. 14 interview with "Good Morning America."

Eventually, police pieced together much of their evidence by reviewing footage from about 55 police and private surveillance cameras showing the brothers' movements before and after the staged attack.

At the end of Superintendent Johnson's news conference, a reporter asked what justice would mean in this case.

"Absolute justice would be an apology to the city he smeared," Johnson said. "Now, our city has problems — we know that. But to put the national spotlight on Chicago for something that is both egregious and untrue is simply shameful."

Johnson raised concerns that Smollett's alleged actions could cause a public backlash for legitimate victims of hate crime.

"My concern," he said, "is that hate crimes will now be publicly met with a level of skepticism that previously didn't happen."

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## In foreshadowing, Aurora mass shooter told psychiatrist of anger issues

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ousness," the psychiatrist wrote. "We are only limited to predict dangerousness over a relatively short term, of a few days to a few weeks. As a rule, we tend to over-predict future dangerousness. I cannot say whether or not Mr. Martin will become violent again in the future."

It's unclear whether the clerks sent the evaluation to Illinois State Police, which had requested all records related to his aggravated assault conviction. In an email exchange obtained by the Tribune, one clerk asks her co-worker whether Marshall County, Miss., should share the evaluation with Illinois State Police. She responds by saying she will "take care of it."

An ISP spokesman did not immediately comment on the report. However, a day after contacting Mississippi officials, ISP rejected Martin's request for a concealed carry license and revoked his firearm owner's identification card because of his criminal history.

Authorities have said Martin's conviction did not appear in two background checks previously conducted by Illinois State Police, omissions that allowed him to obtain a FOID card and purchase a gun. After learning of the

omission, ISP said it notified both Martin and the Aurora Police Department that he was no longer able to possess the Smith & Wesson .40-caliber handgun.

It appears that Illinois authorities only found Martin's Mississippi conviction after he agreed to be fingerprinted as a way to expedite the processing of his concealed carry license. Illinois does not require fingerprinting to obtain either a FOID or concealed carry license.

Aurora officials say they have no record of receiving ISP's revocation notice and, even if they did, the department had no legal obligation to confiscate the gun. State law, however, does allow local law enforcement to obtain a search warrant to retrieve a revoked FOID holder's weapons.

Martin kept his gun, and five years later he used it in last week's mass shooting, opening fire after learning he was being terminated. He died in a shootout with police officers Friday after a 90-minute standoff inside the Henry Pratt Co. warehouse in west suburban Aurora.

Police have not yet released a detailed account of the events leading up to the shooting, but Martin's Mississippi court records from Marshall County show he had long used violence against

those who upset him.

The documents show Martin's depression and sadness, but also awareness of his anger.

Martin pleaded guilty in 1995 to aggravated assault for beating his girlfriend after she confronted him about verbally abusing her young daughter and asked him to move out. He tried to kill himself after the attack out of remorse for his actions, which the woman's child witnessed, court records show.

"I was acting out of a rage and fear ... of (losing) the one I love so much," he told the psychiatrist, according to the 1995 evaluation.

The psychiatrist determined that Martin did not have a major mental disorder. Though he described himself as "depressed," the psychiatrist said those feelings stemmed largely from his incarceration and understanding of how society views people convicted of domestic violence.

"I was an abuser. I feel bad about that," he said, according to the 1995 evaluation.

The court documents show that those close to Martin also sensed the danger Martin posed.

"If he is released soon ... I am afraid that someone may end up dead," his girlfriend wrote to the court in 1996, one year after Martin was sentenced.

The woman, whom the Tribune is not naming, contacted the court after receiving a letter from Martin that disturbed her.

The letter reveals Martin's anguish over having "so many dreams and desires" he could not realize, of having "so much love to give but no one to give it to." He laments having hurt the "one person that made me feel good about myself and gave me joy."

"Without you by my side I see no reason to go on with my life," he wrote. "I don't want to hurt nobody nor do I want to be hurt again myself."

The woman also reported to the court that Martin had assaulted her on two occasions prior to the 1994 attack, including once when he held her and her daughter hostage for at least six hours, cutting off the lights and threatening to kill her with a box cutter.

According to the record, Martin told authorities he was 5 when he first moved to Aurora, where he later fell in with gangs. He returned to Mississippi when he was 13 to live with his grandmother. He attended high school through the 11th grade, when he was expelled, and held jobs, including as a painter.

When Martin returned to Aurora, his violence against women continued, according to court

documents.

Between July 16 and Aug. 25, 2008, a woman he dated for less than a year and who lived in his apartment complex documented seven different instances when his behavior made her afraid, according to Kane County records. He verbally assaulted her, threw rocks at her and threatened her, leading her to seek both an order of protection and restraining order.

Martin's cousin Jesseca Clemons told the Aurora Beacon-News, a Tribune publication, that the family "had no clue he would ever be involved in something like this."

"We deeply apologize," she said. "We are saddened by his actions and we are shocked."

Although more than a decade younger than the cousin she called Ted, Clemons said they were part of a large, close family and grew up near each other in Aurora. Her cousin, she added, was "always smiling" and was a "caring" person who would "go out of his way to help anyone."

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# Fare hikes + low gas prices = fewer riders using Metra

9% drop in ridership from 2014 to '18 seen

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Metra saw its ridership fall by 9 percent between 2014 and 2018, a period of time in which the railway raised fares four times to help pay for new equipment.

The commuter railroad said its ridership dropped from 83.4 million trips in 2014 to 76.1 million passenger trips in 2018, which was about the same number as in 2005 and was down from a high of 86.8 million in 2008.

Metra officials gave the ridership update at Wednesday's monthly board meeting. The board also approved the purchase of 15 locomotives, and Metra announced a new reverse commute service to Lake County.

Metra attributed the ridership drop to fare increases and other factors, such as low gas prices. The railroad also has been troubled by delays related to equipment problems.

The agency's board chose not to raise fares in 2019, and is instead calling on Springfield lawmakers to pass an infrastructure bill to help the railroad pay for new coaches and locomotives and repairs. There has not been a capital bill in 10 years.

The Metra Electric District, which runs between downtown and the South Side and south suburbs, saw the biggest drop in business, with rides down 18.1 percent over five years, followed by the Milwaukee District West Line from Elgin, which saw an 11.5 percent drop.

Weekend trips fell during 2018, following an increase in the weekend pass to \$10 from \$8, said Lynette Ciavarella, senior division

director of strategic capital planning. Service cutbacks dinged ridership on the Milwaukee District North and Rock Island lines.

In a bid to upgrade the railroad's fleet and reduce breakdowns, the Metra board on Wednesday approved spending \$71 million on 15 remanufactured locomotives. Metra is buying them from Progress Rail Locomotives in La Grange, a Caterpillar company, and has the option to buy up to 27 additional vehicles, if the funding is available.

"These like-new locomotives will be replacing some of the oldest locomotives in our fleet, and we would expect to see a significant increase in reliability," said Metra CEO Jim Derwinski, in a statement. Progress Rail is taking existing freight locomotives and upgrading them for passenger use.

About 70 percent of Metra's current fleet of 147 locomotives is rated in marginal or poor condition, and the average age is 31 years. Metra Chief Mechanical Officer Kevin McCann told the board that the newer locomotives will meet the Environmental Protection Agency's Tier 3 emissions standards, and replace current locomotives rated Tier 0.

He said each newer engine will cut emissions by 24 percent compared against an older engine.

Metra had an option to buy fewer and more expensive new Tier 4 locomotives, which would have been even cleaner, but McCann told the board these would have required separate fuel storage tanks. He said the used locomotives also have parts that are interchangeable with Metra's current fleet, which will save money.

"We feel it's the responsible thing to do," McCann said of the decision to go

with the older vehicles. The locomotives will have AC traction motors, which are more durable and reliable than the DC traction motors in Metra's older locomotives, Metra said.

Howard Learner, the head of the Environmental Law & Policy Center, said Metra should buy cleaner engines, but may be doing the best it can do on a low budget.

"Metra needs to clean up its fleet and should move overall to the cleanest Tier 4 locomotives," said Learner in an email. "That said, Metra has some really aging and inefficient locomotives that need replacing now, and if Metra is getting a great price on the Tier 3 locomotives, that's a positive step forward."

Learner also noted that Chicago-area transit agencies are starved for funds and need to make these kinds of trade-offs until more funding is available.

"It makes sense in the short term if you don't think you're going to get a big appropriation to switch to the new technology," said Rick Harnish, executive director of the Midwest High Speed Rail Association. "From the state's perspective, we should be funding the newest technology for Metra."

Metra also announced on Wednesday that it is starting a two-year reverse-commute pilot program between Chicago and Lake County. The project will be funded by a \$14 million public-private partnership between Metra and Lake County businesses and governments, and will start on March 4 on the Milwaukee District North Line.

The service is intended to help the growing number of commuters who live in the city, but commute to jobs in the suburbs.

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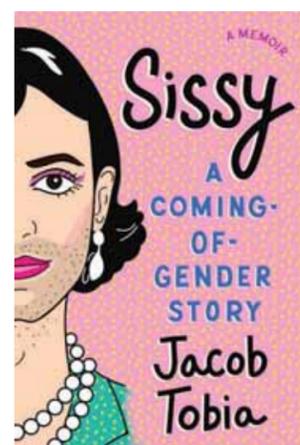
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# Chico knows ins and outs of Chicago City Hall

Chico, from Page 1

City Hall experience while minimizing the focus on the wealth and influence that came with it.

"This is not about looking back as a historical exercise," Chico said recently when asked about his history with city government. "This is about 'what can you do today?' I bring the most experience of any of these candidates on the issues that are relevant to being mayor of this city. Period."

The Tribune found that from 2012 through 2018, Chico and his law firm have been paid nearly \$500,000 for lobbying alderman, city agencies and Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration on behalf of more than 100 clients. In turn, some of those clients have helped fund Chico's mayoral run, making at least 102 contributions totaling \$424,000, according to state campaign finance records.

Chico's City Hall business surged after he took over the helm at the Board of Education in 1995. Over the next five years, his law firm at the time saw its number of lobbying clients soar from 18 to nearly 200, making it tops in the city, the Tribune has reported. As a result, Chico abstained from more than 400 votes while on the school board, citing various conflicts of interest.

That law practice is lucrative, with Chico averaging \$1.75 million in income the last four years and hitting as much as \$2.9 million, according to tax returns he's released during his 2011 and 2019 mayoral campaigns.

As Chico had financial success, he and his firms started making campaign contributions to powerful politicians — more than \$900,000 during the last 20 years. Some of that money has gone to aldermen who have made zoning decisions or voted on deals affecting his clients. Chico also has poured in \$185,000 of his own money into his mayoral bid.

Chico is campaigning on his City Hall experience in a mayor's race that's unfolded against the backdrop of a federal corruption investigation that resulted in an attempted extortion charge filed against 14th Ward Ald. Edward Burke, a mentor. Another ally, 25th Ward Ald. Danny Solis, wore a wire on Burke and others amid allegations of his own wrongdoing. Chico has lobbied both aldermen at City Hall and given them tens of thousands of dollars in campaign contributions over the years, records show.

All the corruption talk has mayoral candidate Garry McCarthy frequently joking in his Bronx accent that "suddenly it's fashionable not to be from here." For his part, Chico has pitched a series of ethics reforms to illustrate he'd usher in a new era in city government.

Chico said he would push for a binding referendum that would allow voters to institute term limits, ban outside income for aldermen, and end the veto power aldermen have over zoning and permitting in their wards. Those proposals appear to be aimed at Burke, who has served as alderman since 1969, owned a property tax appeal business and found himself with federal trouble over a permit for a fast-food restaurant.

During the campaign, Chico has faced questions on how he'd handle a complicated web of potential conflicts of interest if he were elected mayor. He presents the predicament as a simple one.

"I will leave my law firm, I will take my name off the firm and former clients will be just that, former clients. No one will get special treatment," Chico told the Tribune last week. "The only people I owe my fidelity to are the people of Chicago, and if that means a former client doesn't get the work, that's just the way it is. I don't owe them anything."

## Some law clients unknown

The Tribune asked Chico for a list of his law clients who have received City Hall business since 2011, the last time he ran for mayor. He declined, citing state professional conduct rules that prevent attorneys from disclosing clients without their permission, unless required to do so by law.

"I would have to quit the campaign and go through those hundreds of clients," he said. "And I can't do that."

Chico has reported his lobbying clients, per city ordinance. And to get on the ballot, he had to disclose anyone who paid his firm more than \$5,000 that did business with City Hall in 2017. Chico listed 27 clients, including Avis Budget, CBRE, ComEd, Peoples Gas, Spirit Airlines and Noble Network of Charter Schools.

Chico noted he faced a similar situation in 1991 when he left as a partner at Sidley Austin to work in Daley's administration. "We had thousands of clients then, and no one raised how I treated them when I occupied the No. 2 posi-



PHIL VELASQUEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Gery Chico, who's run for mayor before, is campaigning now on his City Hall experience even as a mentor faces attempted extortion charges.



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

**"I bring the most experience of any of these candidates on the issues that are relevant to being mayor of this city. Period."**

—Gery Chico

tion in city government, working right under the mayor," he said. "That's because I operate by the book exactly. I never, ever, ever favored a client. Ever."

In 1995, Chico left as Daley's chief of staff to run the school board, and soon signed on at Altheimer & Gray, where he ran their government and lobbying practice, and later served as chairman of the firm's executive committee. The firm saw a tenfold increase in its number of City Hall lobbying clients, making it the No. 1 lobbying group at the city and No. 2 at Cook County, the Tribune reported at the time.

In 2003, Altheimer & Gray filed for bankruptcy amid accusations of financial mismanagement, which coincided with a downturn in the economy and Chico's fifth-place finish in the 2004 Democratic U.S. Senate primary won by Barack Obama.

Chico then joined with longtime friend Marcus Nunes, whom he had met at the city Planning Department, to form Chico & Nunes. The firm seeks zoning and development approval on behalf of clients at City Hall, has won bond work on massive city borrowing most recently at O'Hare International Airport, and has developed a specialty in helping firms register and qualify as women-owned and minority-owned businesses. That status can prove lucrative at a City Hall where a certain percentage of contracts often are required to go to those two types of companies.

Chico said his amount of City Hall-related work varies and accounted for less than one-third of the firm's business last year. He said the total number of clients can vary from as low as 150 to as many as "a few hundred" per year, depending on the economy, since they handle a lot of real estate transactions. Most of the firm's work in 2018 was focused on mergers and acquisitions and business litigation, "which have nothing to do with City Hall," Chico said.

Chico was not a registered lobbyist in the lead-up to his 2011 mayoral run, when he finished a distant second to Emanuel. Chico again registered as a lobbyist in July 2013 and reported making a total of \$18,000 that year and the next, records show. He reported having seven clients and lobbying the Emanuel administration 10 times.

In December 2014, Chico endorsed Emanuel for re-election, providing high-profile Latino backing as the mayor fended off a challenge from then-Cook County Commissioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia.

After the endorsement, Chico's lobbying business picked up, records show. Chico reported making \$120,379 from 2015 through 2017. He registered on behalf of 32 clients and reported lobbying the Emanuel administration 38 times.

Asked if his endorsement of Emanuel is the reason his lobbying business improved, Chico said, "No."

"It was just the fate of what client walked in at what time with what issue. There is absolutely no relationship to that whatsoever," Chico said. "We only register when we're required to based on the definition of lobbying in the municipal code. That's it. I don't have a big sign that says I'm a lobbyist. I don't believe in that. I'm a lawyer."

## Charter lobbying

Charter school operators are one type of lobbying client who could end up making requests at City Hall if Chico were elected mayor.

His firm has lobbied for Intrinsic Schools, Noble Network of Charter Schools, Youth Connection Charter School and United Neighborhood Organization. UNO is a nonprofit group co-founded by Ald. Solis, whose charter schools have been re-branded under the name Acero in the wake of a contracting scandal and other problems.

Chico's firm has represented charter groups in battles at City Hall. Take Noble, the city's largest charter operator with 18 schools. The group paid Chico \$19,215 for lobbying as Noble tried to win approval for Mansueto High School, which was fiercely opposed by Brighton Park community groups that argued it would siphon resources away from Chicago Public Schools.

The project prevailed over those objections with the strong backing of local Ald. Burke, who recused himself on the grounds he had a conflict of interest when the City Council passed the zoning change for the property in March 2016.

Noble board members have contributed \$52,000 to Chico's

mayoral campaign, and he's gotten another \$10,000 from the political arm of the Illinois Network of Charter Schools, of which Noble is a member.

Chico also lobbied in 2016 for Intrinsic Schools, which wanted to open a new high school in East Garfield Park. Intrinsic dropped the idea amid opposition from the Chicago Teachers Union and principals from West Side CPS high schools.

Intrinsic Schools paid Chico's firm \$8,800 for lobbying, city records show. Jim Frank, CEO of fleet management company Wheels Inc. and Intrinsic's board chairman, has contributed \$145,000 to Chico's campaign, records show. Frank also has contributed \$75,000 to state Comptroller Susana Mendoza's mayoral campaign and \$50,000 to former U.S. Commerce Secretary Bill Daley's run.

Chico has talked about his charter school support in a campaign where he's one of the few candidates not in favor of a moratorium on new ones. Chico noted he helped open the first dozen or so charter schools during his tenure at CPS and there about 122 today. The most dramatic expansion has occurred on Emanuel's watch, and Chico said the demand is reflective of the fact that "parents have spoken."

Asked how he'd handle charter interests that once paid him and contributed to his mayoral campaign, Chico responded, "When I leave my law firm and take my name off the door, whatever loyalties were at that time don't exist any longer, but I will retain my philosophy as an independent person to draw my own judgments about what's good for the city."

When Chico ran the CPS board, he abstained from more than 400 votes, because of conflicts of interest with his law clients. In a recent interview, Chico said much of that was out of an abundance of caution and the firm had major clients like ComEd that had natural business with CPS. He said as a matter of practice, staff at his law firm and CPS would review every vote for any possible conflict with hundreds of clients.

The practice of abstaining from votes has been front and center at City Hall lately because Ald. Burke frequently recused himself when matters involving his property tax appeals clients came up for a vote. Chico said the difference is that Burke runs a small law firm with a very specific line of work, while during his CPS tenure, Chico was part of a major law firm with clients all over the world.

"I didn't even know more than half those situations," he said, "but I thought it was important to put these abstentions on the record."

During the campaign, mayoral candidate Paul Vallas has criticized Chico for drumming up business while on the school board. That, however, contrasts with the former CPS CEO's defense of Chico on the issue in the 2011 mayor's race.

"If people think you're a person of influence, they gravitate toward your firm," Vallas told the Tribune then. "Gery abstained from a lot of votes, but at the end of the day, when we awarded contracts, we awarded them by a competitive process."

## Reliable campaign donor

Chico and his law firms have been major campaign donors,

giving nearly \$900,000 to Illinois politicians over the last 20 years. That includes more than 350 contributions to Chicago aldermen and ward organizations totaling \$260,000, records show.

About \$65,000, or 25 percent, went to Burke, who until he was charged last month ran the important Finance Committee. Chico worked as an aide on that committee under Burke in the 1980s and long has considered him a mentor and a friend, and the veteran alderman gave a glowing recommendation for Chico's job at Sidley Austin.

Chico and his firm have given another \$21,000 to Solis, who until it was revealed that he wore a federal wire on his City Council colleagues ran the powerful Zoning Committee. Chico and his firm have lobbied both aldermen, records show.

Aldermen long have collected campaign contributions from developers, contractors and law firms seeking business at City Hall, but the practice has come under increased scrutiny. Burke was accused of using his aldermanic privilege power to hold up a permit a fast-food restaurant magnate needed while seeking a \$10,000 campaign contribution for another politician and property tax appeals business at Burke's law firm.

The Tribune has reported the political contribution was intended for County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, who is running for mayor.

Chico rejected the notion that the hundreds of contributions from him and his law firms to aldermen are just the cost of doing business at City Hall. He said he's proud to be politically active over the years.

Asked if he's ever made a political contribution to an alderman or directed a client to do so to help secure business or legislative approval, Chico answered, "Absolutely not."

Still, Chico and his firms have given hundreds of thousands of dollars to aldermen like Burke and Solis whose approval was needed for projects.

Take the Miller-Valentine Group, an Ohio-based affordable housing builder. The firm has been working to build its first project in the Chicago market, and has paid Chico and two other lobbyists at his firm more than \$12,000 to lobby City Hall on their behalf.

In November 2017, the CHA board approved 15 subsidized units for Miller-Valentine's proposed Cicero Senior Lofts at 48th and Cicero. Craig Chico, the mayoral candidate's brother who is a CHA board member, voted in favor of the subsidies.

The project then passed through Solis' Zoning Committee before aldermen gave final approval to the project — and a 35-year, \$2.3 million interest-free loan from the city.

The lofts will be built just over the boundary line into the 14th Ward of Burke, who voted in favor of the project. Asked if he lobbied his friend on the project, Chico replied, "As a courtesy, we talk with all of the aldermen. Until you get rid of aldermanic prerogative, you don't have a choice."

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## Searing testimony heard at Vatican

Pope opens summit with new proposals to confront abuse

BY NICOLE WINFIELD  
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VATICAN CITY — The day began with an African woman telling an extraordinary gathering of Catholic leaders that her priestly rapist forced her to have three abortions over a dozen years after he started violating her at age 15. It ended with a Colombian cardinal warning them they could all face prison if they let such crimes go unpunished.

In between, Pope Francis began charting a new course for the Catholic Church to confront clergy sexual abuse and cover-up, a scandal that has consumed his papacy and threatens the credibility of the Catholic hierarchy at large.

Opening a first-ever Vatican summit on preventing abuse, Francis warned 190 bishops and religious superiors Thursday that their flocks were demanding concrete action, not just words, to punish predator priests and keep children safe. He offered them 21 proposals to consider going forward, some of them obvious and easy to adopt, others requiring new laws.

But his main point in summoning the Catholic hierarchy to the Vatican for a four-day tutorial was to impress upon them that clergy sex abuse is not confined to the United States or Ireland, but is a global scourge that requires a concerted, global response.

"Listen to the cry of the young, who want justice," Francis told the gathering. "The holy people of God are



Pope Francis prays at the opening of the first-ever Vatican summit on preventing clergy sexual abuse in the Catholic Church. VINCENTO PINTO/AP

watching and expect not just simple and obvious condemnations, but efficient and concrete measures to be established."

More than 30 years after the scandal first erupted in Ireland and Australia, and 20 years after it hit the U.S., bishops and Catholic officials in many parts of Europe, Latin America, Africa and Asia still either deny that clergy sex abuse exists in their regions or play down the problem.

Francis, the first Latin American pope, called the summit after he himself botched a well-known sex abuse cover-up case in Chile last year and the scandal reignited in the U.S.

The tone for the high stakes summit was set at the start, with victims from five continents — Europe, Africa,

Asia, South America and North America — telling the bishops of the trauma of their abuse and the additional pain the church's indifference caused them.

"You are the physicians of the soul and yet, with rare exceptions, you have been transformed — in some cases — into murderers of the soul, into murderers of the faith," Chilean survivor Juan Carlos Cruz told the bishops in his videotaped testimony.

Other survivors were not identified, including the woman from Africa who said she was so young and trusting when her priest started raping her that she didn't even know she was being abused.

"He gave me everything I wanted when I accepted to have sex; otherwise he

would beat me," she told the bishops. "I got pregnant three times and he made me have an abortion three times, quite simply because he did not want to use condoms or contraceptives."

Manila Cardinal Luis Tagle choked up as he responded to their testimony.

In a moving meditation that followed the video testimony, Tagle told his brother bishops that the wounds they had inflicted on the faithful through their negligence and indifference to the sufferings of their flock recalled the wounds of Christ on the cross.

He demanded bishops and superiors no longer turn a blind eye to the harm caused by clergy who rape and molest the young.

"Our lack of response to

the suffering of victims, yes even to the point of rejecting them and covering up the scandal to protect perpetrators and the institution, has injured our people," Tagle said. The result, he said, had left a "deep wound in our relationship with those we are sent to serve."

After he offered the bishops a vision of what a bishop should be, the Vatican's onetime sex crimes prosecutor told them what a bishop should do. Archbishop Charles Scicluna delivered a step-by-step lesson on how to conduct an abuse investigation under the church's canon law, repeatedly citing the example of Pope Benedict XVI, who turned the Vatican around on the issue two decades ago.

Calling for a conversion from a culture of silence to a "culture of disclosure," Scicluna told bishops they should cooperate with civil law enforcement investigations and announce decisions about predators to their communities once cases have been decided.

He said victims had the right to seek damages from the church and that bishops should consider using lay experts to help guide them during abuse investigations.

The people of God "should come to know us as friends of their safety and that of their children and youth," he said. "We will protect them at all cost. We will lay down our lives for the flocks entrusted to us."

Finally, Scicluna warned them that it was a "grave sin" to withhold information from the Vatican about candidates for bishops — a reference to the recent scandal of the now-defrocked former American cardinal, Theodore McCarrick. It was apparently an open secret in some church circles that McCarrick slept with young seminarians. He was defrocked last week by Francis after a Vatican trial found credible reports that he abused minors as well as adults.

In the final speech of the day, Colombian Cardinal Ruben Salazar Gomez warned his brother bishops that they could face not only canonical sanctions but also imprisonment for a cover-up if they failed to properly deal with allegations.

Abuse and cover-up, he said, "is the distortion of the meaning of ministry, which converts it into a means to impose force, to violate the conscience and the bodies of the weakest."

## Experts: Smollett case adds to political divide

BY DAVID CRARY  
Associated Press

Democratic politicians and celebrities called it a shocking instance of Trump-era racism and hate.

Republicans now depict it as another example of liberals and mainstream media rushing to judgment while disparaging the president's supporters as bigots.

The case of "Empire" actor Jussie Smollett encapsulates the polarized state of political discourse in America.

With Smollett now accused of staging a racist, anti-gay attack on himself, the case seemed to inflame political tensions even more while creating potentially damaging consequences for genuine hate crime victims in the future.

"The danger is that it will cause people to respond with skepticism whenever they hear reports of hate violence, even though the overwhelming majority of those reports are completely true," said Shannon Minter, legal director of the National Center for Lesbian Rights.

Smollett, who is black and gay, is accused of filing a false police report last

month asserting that he was attacked in Chicago by two men who beat him, targeted him with slurs, and yelled "This is MAGA country" — an apparent reference to President Donald Trump's "Make America Great Again" slogan.

Democratic presidential candidates Cory Booker and Kamala Harris were among those who sided with Smollett early on and called the incident a "modern-day lynching." They soon found themselves under attack from the right as Smollett's story began to fall apart.

Trump initially called reports of the attack "horrible."

On Thursday, he tweeted, "what about MAGA and the tens of millions of people you insulted with your racist and dangerous comments!?"

Editor and commentator Jarrett Stepman of The Daily Signal, an online publication of the conservative The Heritage Foundation, faulted left-of-center pundits and politicians for seizing immediately on Smollett's claims in a bid to score political points.

"Instead of just treating this as a serious crime, it

was used as a political bludgeon to malign large swaths of Americans," he said. "There was a rush to find a story to attack half the country."

However, Stepman said he shared concerns that the case might have unfortunate consequences for real victims who deserve support and compassion.

"Heinous hate crimes do exist in this country, but it's the 'boy who cried wolf' thing," Stepman said. "People become cynical, and that's not a healthy thing for America society."

In the debate over the Smollett case, critics of Trump have pointed out that hate crimes have soared since his election, but the statistics are nuanced.

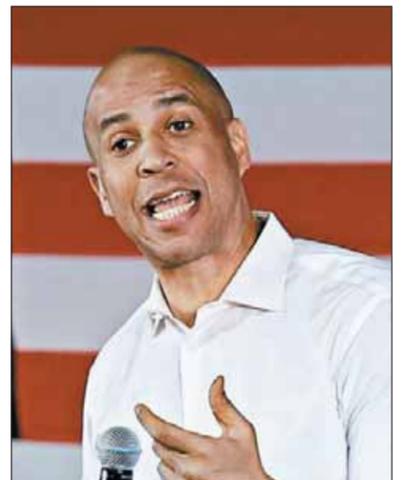
The most recent official figures from the FBI show that there was a 17 percent spike in hate crimes in 2017. But that data isn't complete because it's based in part on voluntary reporting by police agencies across the country.

Non-government researchers have come up with a variety of findings.

The Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism in Cal State San Bernardino



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CHARLES KRUPA/AP

Democratic presidential candidates Kamala Harris and Cory Booker are under attack from the right after siding early on with Jussie Smollett, whose case appears to have unraveled.

looked at hate crimes in the nation's 10 biggest cities and found a 12 percent increase in 2017. There were similar annual increases during the Obama administration.

Shannon Minter said hate crimes already are underreported, and worried that the Smollett case would aggravate that problem.

Robin Valeri, a psychology professor at St. Bonaventure University who has researched hate crimes, said the Smollett case reminded her of the 1987 case involving Tawana Brawley, a black teenager from New York state who falsely alleged that she was abducted and raped by a gang of white

men. "These cases make people skeptical," Valeri said.

Among the black activists who championed Brawley's case before it unraveled was civil rights leader Al Sharpton.

Speaking Thursday on MSNBC, Sharpton called the hoax claims against Smollett "horrific" and said the actor, if proven guilty, "ought to face accountability to the maximum."

Alvin Tillery, a political science professor who directs Northwestern University's Center for the Study of Diversity and Democracy, said racial hoaxes — including the Brawley case — have a long history in the United

States.

"The Smollett case is likely to have an even larger impact on our politics and culture than those infamous hoaxes because of Mr. Smollett's celebrity status and our deeply troubling political climate," said Tillery, who is black.

The wall-to-wall media coverage that the case generated also left some people frustrated.

"There's a lot of racial and anti-Semitic violence in this country that we didn't even know about," said Heidi Beirich, who heads the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Project. "It outweighs one sensational fake crime."

## Judge imposes gag order on Stone after Instagram post

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A federal judge ordered Roger Stone not to discuss his criminal case with anyone and issued a stinging reprimand Thursday over the longtime Trump confidant's decision to post a photo on Instagram of the judge with what appeared to be the crosshairs of a gun.

U.S. District Judge Amy Berman Jackson said that Stone would "pose a danger" to others in the case

unless she modified the terms of his release to include the gag order.

Stone had taken the witness stand to try to explain his post and apologize to the judge, repeatedly telling her that he had made an egregious and inexcusable mistake.

"Thank you, but the apology rings quite hollow," the judge said before instituting the gag order.

Stone, 66, has pleaded not guilty to charges he lied to Congress, engaged in witness tampering and ob-

structed a congressional investigation into possible coordination between Russia and Trump's 2016 presidential campaign.

Stone was arrested last month and has remained free on a \$250,000 personal recognizance bond. He is the sixth Trump aide or adviser charged in special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation.

Last week, the judge issued a limited order that prevented Stone from discussing his case near the courthouse and generally

prohibited his lawyers, prosecutors and witnesses from making public comments that could "pose a substantial likelihood" of prejudicing potential jurors. But that order stopped short of imposing a broad ban on public comments.

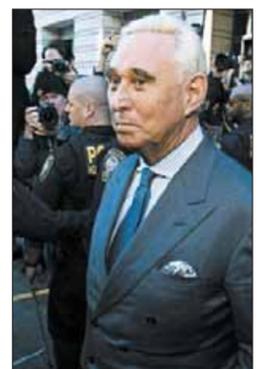
Stone had been ordered to court Thursday after he posted a photo of Jackson with what appeared to be crosshairs near her head. Stone and his lawyers filed a notice with the court that said they recognized the photo was "improper and

should not have been posted."

As part of the Mueller investigation, Paul Manafort is scheduled to be sentenced in an Alexandria, Va., federal court for tax and bank fraud on March 8, the first punishment handed down to Trump's former campaign chairman.

Federal sentencing guidelines call for Manafort to spend roughly 19 to 24 years in prison.

The Washington Post contributed.



JOSE LUIS MAGANA/AP

Former President Trump adviser Roger Stone leaves federal court Thursday.

# N.C. election board orders a do-over

In undecided House race, GOP candidate concedes apparent victory was tainted

BY EMERY P. DALESIO  
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — North Carolina's elections board Thursday ordered a new election in the nation's last undecided congressional race after the Republican candidate conceded that his apparent victory was tainted by evidence of ballot-tampering by political operatives working for him.

The State Board of Elections, which is made up of three Democrats and two Republicans, voted 5-0 in favor of a do-over in the 9th Congressional District but did not set a date.

In making the motion to order a new election, election board chairman Bob Cordle cited "the corruption, the absolute mess with the absentee ballots."

The vote came after the GOP candidate Mark Harris dropped his bid to be declared the winner and instead said he believes a new election should be held.

He reversed course on the fourth day of an election board hearing at which investigators and witnesses detailed evidence of ballot fraud by operatives on his payroll.

"Through the testimony

I've listened to over the past three days, I believe a new election should be called," Harris said. "It's become clear to me that the public's confidence in the 9th District seat general election has been undermined to an extent that a new election is warranted."

At the same time, Harris denied any knowledge of the illegal practices allegedly used by his operatives.

Harris left the hearing room without answering questions. It was not clear whether he intends to run in a new election.

The elections board's attorney plans to review the laws on scheduling new primaries and a new general election and propose dates to the elections board for its approval.

Harris led Democrat Dan McCready by 905 votes out of about 280,000 cast last fall in a mostly rural district that includes part of Charlotte and extends eastward through several counties along the southern edge of the state. But the state refused to certify the outcome as allegations surfaced that Harris political operative Leslie McCrae Dowless may have tampered with mail-in absentee ballots.



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Mark Harris testified Thursday at a hearing about North Carolina's 9th Congressional District.

The congressional seat has been in Republican hands since 1963.

North Carolina Republican Party executive director Dallas Woodhouse said he learned of Harris' decision only minutes before. "There's no way that anybody has contemplated what's next," he said.

Harris told the board he is still dealing from health

problems caused by a blood infection that landed him in a hospital and led to two strokes since the election, adding, "I struggled this morning with both recall and confusion."

But he insisted: "Neither I nor any of the leadership of my campaign were aware of or condoned the improper activities that have been testified to in this

hearing."

According to testimony and other findings detailed at the board hearing, Dowless conducted an illegal "ballot harvesting" operation while working for Harris. Dowless and his assistants helped voters obtain absentee ballots and then gathered up the filled-in ballots from them by offering to put them in the mail,

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—Mark Harris, Republican candidate for 9th Congressional District

the board was told.

Dowless' workers in rural Bladen County testified that they were directed to collect blank or incomplete ballots from voters, forge signatures on them and even fill in votes for local candidates. It is generally against the law in North Carolina for anyone other than the voter or a family member to handle someone's completed ballot.

Earlier Thursday, Harris testified that Dowless had assured him that he wouldn't collect absentee ballots in violation of state law. "I'll never forget. He said it again and again. He said, 'We do not take the ballot,'" Harris testified.



DELIL SOULEIMAN/GETTY-AFP

U.S.-backed fighters from the Syrian Democratic Forces accompany women and children Wednesday fleeing the Islamic State group's last holdout in Baghouz, Syria.

## U.S. plans to keep 200 troops in Syria amid strategy change

BY DEB RIECHMANN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House has announced that the U.S. is keeping 200 American troops in Syria as part of a small peacekeeping force.

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Thursday that the small force will remain in Syria "for a period of time."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., who had harshly criticized President Donald Trump's decision to withdraw the roughly 2,000-strong U.S. force, applauded the president's pivot to leave a small contingent as part of an "international stabilizing force."

He said the change in strategy will ensure that Turkey will not get into a conflict with Kurdish dominated U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces, which Ankara views as terrorists. Moreover, Graham noted, leaving a small force in Syria will help curb Iranian ambitions and ensure that Islamic State fighters do not try to return.

Earlier this week, America's closest European allies turned down a Trump administration request to fill the gap that would have been created at the end of April by the U.S. departure with their own

troops, according to U.S. and foreign officials.

Allies "unanimously" told the United States that they "won't stay if you pull out," a senior administration official said. France and Britain are the only other countries with ground troops in the U.S.-led coalition battling the Islamic State.

One of the principal requests the administration had made of the allies, including Germany, which has no forces in Syria, is to form an "observer" force to patrol a 20-mile-wide "safe zone" on the Syrian side of the border, separating Turkey from the Syrian Kurds.

Although the size of such a mission has yet to be determined, the SDF has appealed for Western nations to keep a force of up to 1,500 in northeast Syria to coordinate air support and back its efforts to hold militants and other adversaries at bay.

Meanwhile, Thursday, an Iraqi security official said the SDF handed over more than 150 Iraqi members of the Islamic State group, marking the biggest repatriation from Syria of captured militants so far.

The official said the IS militants were handed over to the Iraqi side late Wednesday, and that they were now in a "safe place" under investigation.

The transfer comes as the U.S.-backed SDF is involved in a standoff over the final sliver of land held by IS in eastern Syria, close to the Iraqi border.

Many believe the IS threat won't end with the pocket's recapture and that an insurgency is underway. In a foreboding sign Thursday, the IS claimed responsibility for twin suicide attacks that hit a village miles away, leaving more than a dozen people dead.

A few hundred people — many of them women and terrified-looking children — were evacuated Wednesday from the group's tiny tent camp on the banks of the Euphrates River, signaling an imminent end of the militants' self-declared "caliphate" that once stretched across a third of both Syria and Iraq.

Some 300 IS militants, along with hundreds of civilians believed to be mostly their families, have been under siege for more than a week in the tent camp in the village of Baghouz.

Trucks were sent Thursday to the tip of a corridor leading to the camp to evacuate people, but AP journalists near Baghouz said no civilians emerged.

The Washington Post contributed.

## Coast Guard officer ordered held in domestic terror plot

BY LYNH BUI  
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The Washington Post

GREENBELT, Md. — A Coast Guard lieutenant who used his work computer in what prosecutors contend was planning for a domestic terrorist attack was ordered held for 14 days while the government weighs additional charges in his case.

Lt. Christopher Paul Hasson, 49, of Silver Spring, Md., was arrested on gun and drug charges after federal law enforcement last week seized a stockpile of guns and ammunition from his basement apartment. Prosecutors said he amassed weapons and tactical supplies to prepare for an attack to further his white nationalist views.

"I am dreaming of a way to kill almost every last person on the earth," Hasson said in one of his letters that contemplated launching a biological plague, according to court records filed in U.S. District Court in Maryland. The court filings say a draft email from June 2, 2017, with the letter was found in a "deletions" subfolder on a computer used by Hasson.

Hasson was an active duty member of the Coast Guard when he was arrested last week, Coast Guard officials said. He has been at headquarters in Washington since 2016, but no longer works for the agency, according to court filings and a Coast Guard spokesman.

In the Thursday hearing before a federal magistrate, Hasson's federal public defender said the court filings are a "hysterical mischaracterization of Mr. Hasson," who she said has no criminal record.

Hasson has not been charged with any terrorism-related counts but faces weapons and drug charges. But in court filings, officials with the U.S. attorney's office in Maryland outlined



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A police dog sniffs around a court entrance Wednesday in Greenbelt, Md. Coast Guard Lt. Christopher Paul Hasson, 49, of Silver Spring, was denied bail at a hearing Thursday.

Hasson's alleged plans for a rampage and argued Hasson should stay in jail awaiting trial.

At his detention hearing, prosecutors said Hasson spent \$14,000-a-year on arms and equipment preparing for an attack and read manifestos of several mass attackers, including the Unabomber and Virginia Tech shooter.

Hasson called for "focused violence" to "establish a white homeland" and developed a hit list of targets, prosecutors said in court filings. It's unclear whether Hasson had a specific date for an attack, but the government said he had been stockpiling weapons for at least two years.

When law enforcement raided his home Feb. 15, they seized 15 firearms and more than 1,000 rounds of ammunition.

As recently as Jan. 17, Hasson developed a list of "traitors" and targets in a spreadsheet while reviewing various broadcast news sites from his work computer, court filings show. The list included what prosecutors believe to be House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer and presidential hopefuls Sens. Kirsten Gillibrand, Elizabeth Warren, Cory Booker and Kamala Harris.

Also mentioned were such figures as MSNBC's Chris Hayes and Joe Scarborough and CNN's Chris Cuomo and Van Jones.

"The defendant intends to murder innocent civilians on a scale rarely seen in this country," the government said in filings this week.

A Marine Corps spokeswoman, Yvonne Carlock, said Wednesday night that Hasson joined the service in December 1988, serving as an F/A-18 aircraft mechanic. His last rank in that service was corporal. Federal authorities said he left in 1993.

Public documents say Hasson modeled his plans after right-wing terrorist Anders Behring Breivik, who in 2011 unleashed two attacks that killed 77 people in Norway. Hasson studied Breivik's 1,500-page manifesto outlining how he planned the Norway rampage, court filings say.

During a raid of Hasson's apartment, law enforcement said they found more than 30 vials of what appeared to be human growth hormone. He also ordered thousands of tramadol pills since 2016, the government said. Breivik said in his manifesto that he had taken steroids and narcotics to help him carry out his attack, prosecutors said.

## Pompeo: No sanctions relief until N. Korea threat reduced

BY DEB RIECHMANN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. will not move to ease economic sanctions on North Korea until it is confident that the nuclear weapons threat from Pyongyang has been "substantially reduced," Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said Thursday.

Pompeo didn't elaborate, but his comment seemed to leave open the possibility that sanctions relief was possible short of complete

and verifiable denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula.

Pompeo told NBC's "Today" that he hopes North Korean leader Kim Jong Un will make good on his pledge to give up his nuclear weapons during his second meeting with President Donald Trump next week in Vietnam.

But a senior administration official said the U.S. is still not sure if North Korea has decided to give up its nuclear weapons.

The official, who is famil-

iar with the talks and spoke on condition of anonymity, also said that reducing the 28,500 U.S. troops in South Korea has not been a topic of the talks.

Pompeo said he didn't want to get into the details about what either side was willing to offer to make progress in the talks.

"The American people should know we have the toughest economic sanctions that have ever been placed on North Korea and we won't release that pressure until such time as we're

confident we've substantially reduced that risk," Pompeo said.

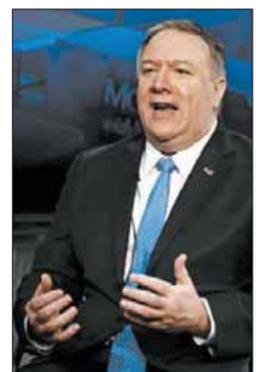
Some lawmakers and North Korea experts worry that Trump will grant too many concessions to Kim without making him honor his pledge to give up his nuclear weapons.

"There are ample reasons to be skeptical that Chairman Kim is committed to a nuclear-free North Korea" the Democratic chairmen of the House Armed Services, Intelligence and Foreign Affairs committees wrote in a

letter to Trump on Thursday.

Reps. Adam Smith, Adam Schiff and Eliot Engel, respectively, accused the White House of cutting off congressional access to intelligence about North Korea's weapons and withholding information about the talks from Congress.

"A summit that amounts to little more than spectacle will further erode the public confidence and the credibility of the United States, an outcome that we all wish to avoid," they wrote.



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Mike Pompeo had few details about next week's summit with North Korea.

# Venezuela braces for possible conflict ahead of aid delivery

BY ANTHONY FAIOLA  
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The Washington Post

SAN CRISTOBAL, Venezuela — At Tachira Central Hospital, ceilings are caving in, most ambulances don't work, and the supply of antibiotics is scarce. Now, harried doctors are stockpiling blood and drafting weekend medics as Venezuela braces for what the opposition is calling the "D-Day" of humanitarian aid.

"This could turn into a dangerous conflict: The armed forces versus the people," said Laidy Gomez, the opposition governor of Tachira, a Venezuelan state abutting Colombia. She has ordered state hospitals to prepare for casualties on Saturday, when, in defiance of President Nicolas Maduro, an army of volunteers will seek to break the socialist government's blockade of international relief.

"It would be a crime against humanity to act against thousands of people who are clamoring for food and medicine,"

Gomez said. "But I'm worried that Nicolas Maduro is looking for a fight."

Maduro on Thursday ordered the closure of the border with Brazil and weighed sealing the border with Colombia, not far from Tachira, as his government scrambled to respond to the planned Saturday operation. His orders came as the U.S.-backed effort to topple Maduro's government is entering a critical and potentially more dangerous phase.

A month after opposition leader Juan Guaido declared Maduro a usurper and claimed Venezuela's mantle of leadership, the government's enemies were in the midst of a risky gambit. By bus, car, boat, plane, motorbike, and on foot, thousands of Venezuelans, including Guaido,



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Workers load food and medical supplies for Venezuela onto an aircraft after landing in Curacao on Thursday.

were already mobilizing as they headed toward the borders. Their plan: to force open Venezuela's doors through sheer numbers.

With Monday also marking the deadline for the Trump administration and the Maduro government — which last month officially broke diplomatic ties — to reach

agreement on keeping a handful of diplomats in their respective capitals, Venezuela was confronting a crisis on multiple fronts. Failure to reach even a temporary deal could escalate tensions at a time when Washington has threatened military intervention and is working with the opposition to coordinate Saturday's operation.

"This message is for the Venezuelan military: You will ultimately be responsible for your actions," Adm. Craig Faller, chief of U.S. Southern Command, said this week after a meeting with the head of Colombia's armed forces. "Do the right thing. Save your people and your country."

The opposition effort, which involves planned flotillas in the Caribbean and caravans through the Andes

and the Amazon, is being hailed as a way to ease spreading hunger and disease in a nation on the verge of becoming a failed state. Yet the government's enemies also have another, more political purpose: Use the humanitarian operation to trigger Maduro's downfall.

They are calculating that the rank-and-file military and security forces will not fire on unarmed civilians attempting to cart boxes of aid over the border. Should the military disobey direct orders to stop volunteers, they believe, it could rob Maduro of his key source of power: The threat of brute force to keep a nation in line.

Yet should the military, security forces and pro-government militias resort to deadly force, it could turn volunteers into martyrs and spark a more direct confrontation with the Trump administration.

"There will be an international response if the armed forces fire on the people," said Eduardo Delgado, 37, an opposition leader in this western state who is hoping to marshal as many as 40,000 volunteers to the border. "And the U.S. is leaving no option off the table."



Maduro

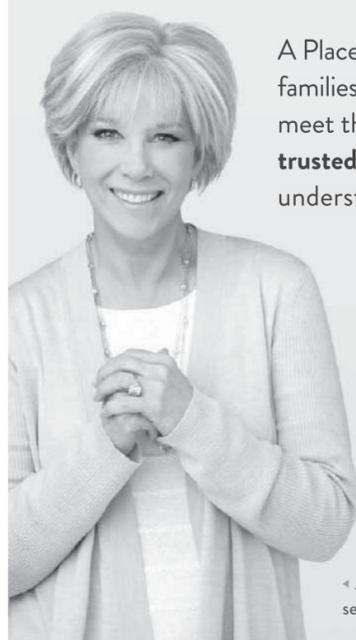
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### U.K. admits key trade deals won't be ready by Brexit day

BRUSSELS — The British government acknowledged Thursday that trade deals with major countries such as Japan and Turkey will not be in place by the planned Brexit day of March 29, while the European Union's chief said he remains downbeat about Britain avoiding a chaotic departure from the bloc.

Britain's international trade secretary, Liam Fox, claimed in 2017 that by the day the U.K. left the EU,

the country would be in a position to continue the trade deals it now has as a member with 70 nations.

But only a handful of the deals have been finalized, including one with the tiny Faroe Islands.

A proposed U.K.-EU divorce agreement includes a 21-month period that would keep Britain operating under EU rules while the government works out future trade arrangements, but Parliament rejected the deal.

### Fire guts ancient district in Bangladesh's capital, killing 67

DHAKA, Bangladesh — A devastating fire raced through densely packed buildings in a centuries-old district in Bangladesh's capital, killing at least 67 people, officials and witnesses said Thursday. About 50 people were injured, with some critically burned.

Dhaka's Chawkbazar district dates to the Mughal era 400 years ago and is crammed with buildings separated by

narrow alleys, with residences above ground-floor shops, restaurants or warehouses.

Fire officials said the blaze started late Wednesday night in one building and quickly spread to others, trapping many of the victims indoors.

First responders were delayed in reaching the site in part because nearby roads were closed ahead of national holiday commemorations Thursday.

### Oakland teachers walk off the job in latest teacher strife

OAKLAND, Calif. — Teachers in Oakland went on strike Thursday, part of a national wave of discontent by educators over classroom conditions, pay and other issues.

The city's 3,000 teachers want a 12 percent raise retroactive to 2017 to compensate for what they say are the among the lowest salaries for public school teachers in the expensive San Francisco Bay Area. They also want the district

to hire more student counselors and full-time nurses.

Teachers have been working without a contract since 2017.

A starting annual salary in the district is \$46,500 and the average is \$63,000, according to the union. In neighboring Berkeley, a starting teacher makes \$51,000 and the average is \$75,000, the union said.

The walkout affects 36,000 students.



JOHN LOCHER/AP

The Las Vegas metro area received a rare dose of cold winter weather Thursday after enough snow fell for revelers to erect a snowman near a city landmark. It was the first significant snowfall in the metro region since record keeping began in 1937.

### In Israel, 2 main rivals join forces to challenge Netanyahu

JERUSALEM — The two main challengers to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu joined forces Thursday in a united front ahead of April elections, a dramatic move that upended the campaign and suddenly created the most serious threat to the Israeli leader's decade-long grip on power.

Retired military chief Benny Gantz and Yair Lapid, head of the Yesh Atid party, appeared together on live TV late Thursday to announce their partnership, saying they were putting aside their personal rivalry in a

shared goal to oust Netanyahu.

Opinion polls on Israeli TV stations showed the new "blue and white" alliance jumping ahead of Netanyahu's Likud Party. Netanyahu, taking to the airwaves later Thursday, dismissed his challengers as "leftists" who will destroy the country.

Netanyahu is pursuing a fourth consecutive term.

But Gantz, a popular political newcomer, has emerged as a potent challenger. Both he and Lapid hold similar views on a host of issues popular with centrist Israeli voters, ranging

from the economy to the Palestinian issue.

Gantz has the added attraction of being a former military chief, a key credential with the security-obsessed electorate.

The two leaders reached their agreement after concluding that joining their two parties together would win more votes than if they ran separately.

Under their arrangement, the two agreed to a rotation leadership should they come to power. Gantz would first serve as prime minister and would then be replaced by Lapid after two-and-a-half years.

### Ex-Enron CEO Skilling exits federal custody

HOUSTON — Former Enron Corp. CEO Jeffrey Skilling has been released from federal custody.

Skilling was discharged Thursday after serving 12 years in prison and six months in a halfway house after being convicted for his actions that led to one of the worst corporate meltdowns in history.

The 65-year-old was initially sentenced in 2006 to 24 years in prison and fined \$45 million for multiple counts of securities fraud, conspiracy and other crimes.

In 2013, the sentence was reduced to 14 years.

Houston-based Enron

collapsed into bankruptcy in 2001 after years of illicit business deals and accounting tricks. The company's demise put more than 5,000 people out of work, eliminated over \$2 billion in employee pensions and rendered worthless \$60 billion in Enron stock.

### El Chapo's sons indicted on conspiracy drug charges

WASHINGTON — Two sons of drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman have been indicted on drug conspiracy charges.

The Justice Department says Joaquin Guzman Lopez and Ovidio Guzman Lopez were charged in a case unsealed in Washington last week.

Prosecutors allege the two brothers distributed cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana in the U.S. for more than a decade.

They are both believed to be living in Mexico and remain fugitives.

Their father was convicted this month on drug and conspiracy charges after a three-month trial in New York, and could spend the rest of his life behind bars.

His lawyers raised concerns of potential juror misconduct after a juror said several members of the panel looked at media coverage of the case.

**In the Pacific:** A growing typhoon in the Pacific is heading toward the Mariana Islands and could lash Guam with strong winds, rain and surf this weekend.

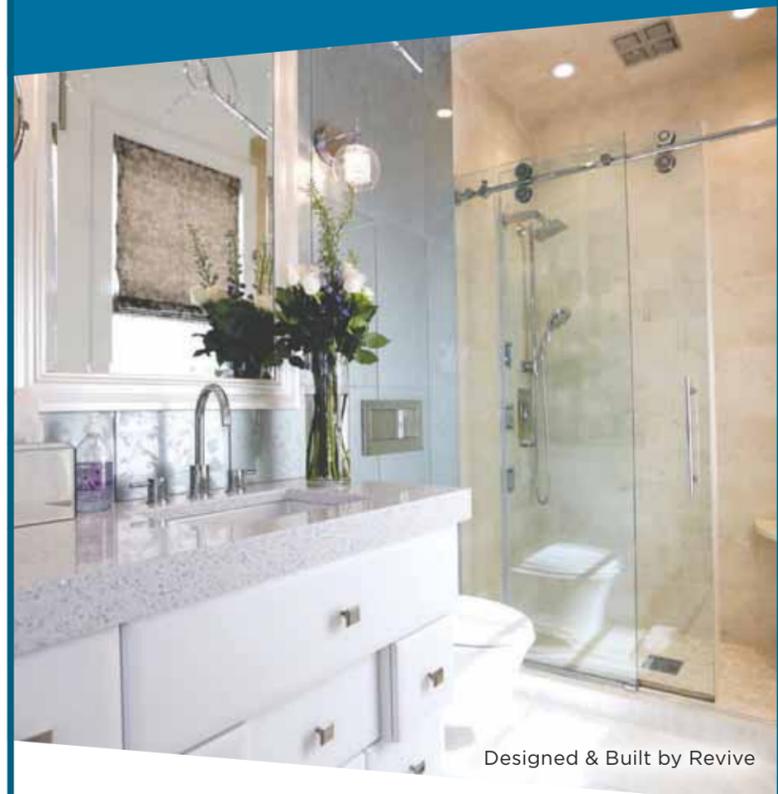
The U.S. National Weather Service in Guam reports Typhoon Wutip was packing 100 mph winds and will intensify through Saturday.

**In Utah:** Two Republican lawmakers are pushing to ban gay conversion therapy for minors in the conservative state with a proposal that won't be opposed by the influential Mormon church.

Republican Rep. Dan McCay said he wants to support LGBT youth in a state that's seen a recent spike in youth suicide.

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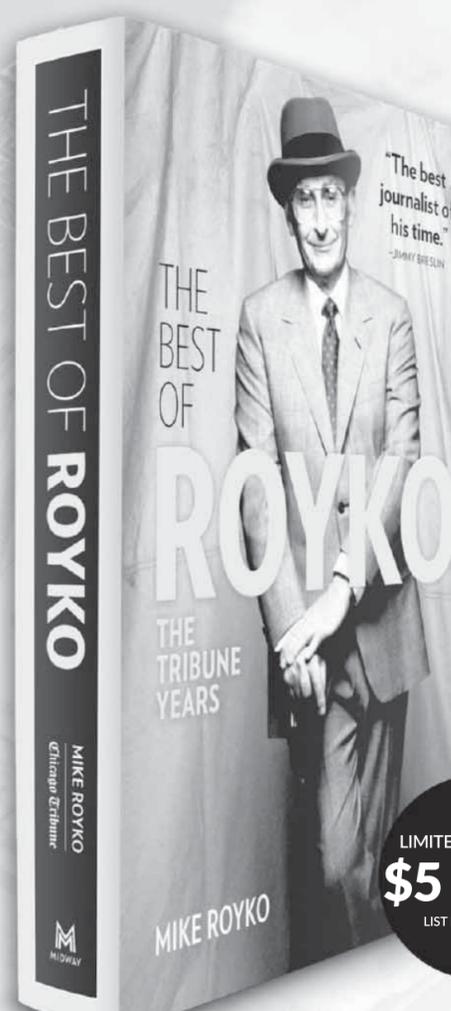
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## EDITORIALS

Wisdom from Johnson:  
Smollett owes Chicago an apology

On Thursday, police Superintendent Eddie Johnson appeared before a roomful of reporters and cameras, ready to provide details of an ugly, pointless incident: how TV actor Jussie Smollett allegedly staged a fake hate crime for the benefit of his own career. Behind him stood an arc of Chicago Police Department detectives who had worked the case.

First, though, Johnson had to get something off his chest: "As I look into the crowd, I just wish that the families of gun violence in this city got this much attention."

Johnson was professional in his demeanor, yet justifiably livid that his Police Department wasted three weeks investigating a shocking report of racist and homophobic violence that police now say was a hoax.

**Police say Smollett wanted to give his career a boost**, so he hired two brothers he knew in order to stage a fake attack one early January morning in the Streeterville neighborhood. One theatrical element: hanging a noose around Smollett's neck. Somehow, Smollett allegedly figured, the incident would generate headlines and sympathy, leading to a pay raise. So the actor, who appears on the Chicago-filmed show "Empire," filed a police report claiming two unknown assailants attacked him, shouted slurs and asserted that



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Superintendent Eddie Johnson talks about the Jussie Smollett case Thursday at police headquarters.

"This is MAGA country," a reference to President Donald Trump. Smollett paid the brothers \$3,500, Johnson said, with a promise of \$500 later.

Cities aren't living beings, but if there are rare moments that bind a community in shared emotions, Chicagoans are feeling what Johnson was expressing: dismay

and anger at Smollett's alleged transgression.

Because of the manpower CPD deployed to uncover a publicity stunt.

Because of the possibility the next report of a hate crime somewhere in the country might not be taken seriously.

Because of Smollett's callous

disregard for America's painful struggle with racism. "Why would anyone, especially an African-American man, use the symbolism of a noose to make false accusations?" Johnson wondered.

**The intersection of race, crime and policing is so fraught in Chicago** that John-

son surprised us by speaking so bluntly. Gun violence is endemic to impoverished minority neighborhoods. Those are the same communities where too many homicide cases go unsolved and where many residents feel alienated by CPD's troubling history of abuse. Johnson could have kept to the script by only discussing Smollett, but he noted instead how people in those neighborhoods were again being sidelined so he could answer media questions about a Hollywood actor's alleged fraud.

Police time and attention were not directly shifted from homicide and shooting investigations to the Smollett case, he insisted, but "those are resources and time spent that we'll never get back." That includes time taken for an obligatory news conference.

Smollett turned himself in to police early Thursday to appear for a bond hearing on a felony charge that accuses him of filing a false police report. And as Johnson appropriately asserted, Smollett needs to apologize for dragging Chicago through this needless scandal.

We continue to hope Smollett explains what he did and why. We also hope that arc of detectives who stood behind Johnson — the cops who learned that the hate crime riveting America allegedly was a hoax — quickly return to solving real crimes, with real victims.

## The Green New Deal that won't go away

The news that the past five years have been the planet's five hottest on record should prompt Americans to demand action from their government. If humanity hopes to escape a potentially ruinous increase in temperatures, policies need to be put in place to drastically reduce carbon emissions, and soon. The unveiling of the Green New Deal early this month was thus well-timed. Too bad it wasn't also well-thought-out.

In succeeding days we thought the Green New Deal would succumb to Republicans' ridicule and Democrats' fear that it would mark all of them as climate extremists, eager to dismantle America's economy.

But no, the Green New Deal won't go away. Instead it's spawning an offspring. In announcing his candidacy for the presidency this week, U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders suggested he'll roll out his own GND proposal. As envisioned it would eliminate carbon emissions via a huge public works

program that would create tens of millions of jobs.

**The original Green New Deal package**, a proposed nonbinding resolution, came from Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-N.Y., who calls herself a democratic socialist, and Sen. Ed Markey, D-Mass. The environmental goal is ambitious: "meeting 100 percent of the power demands in the United States through clean, renewable and zero-emission energy sources" — within 10 years. The plan also calls for upgrading every building in America to "achieve maximal energy efficiency" as part of a massive investment in infrastructure. One priority: high-speed rail.

Ambition is one thing, but setting wildly unrealistic goals is an invitation for the public to give up. If such an enormous undertaking is the only way to save the planet, a lot of people will opt for doing nothing and taking their chances.

The plan would be enormously

expensive. The price tag is mysteriously absent from the document. But we can safely assume it would give new force to the term "sticker shock." Economist Noah Smith, in a Bloomberg commentary, estimates that the retrofit of all buildings, by itself, would burn through \$1.7 trillion a year — using up every dime in annual revenue from the federal income tax.

Another problem: the heavily centralized, command-and-control nature of the proposal. Trying to achieve greater energy efficiency through federal dictates is a clumsy and expensive approach. A far superior method is a tax on carbon dioxide output, giving both private and government entities a strong incentive to look for the least expensive ways to cut emissions.

That also would stimulate options that use less fossil fuel (say, rail travel) and penalize those that use more (say, commercial aviation). A carbon tax also would make technologies to

capture and sequester carbon considerably more feasible. And it could be made revenue-neutral by rebating the proceeds to the American people.

At least the central thrust of the Green New Deal has a rationale: to protect the planet. Much of the rest amounts to a leftist wish list, disconnected from environmental problems. It promises every American "a job with family-sustaining wages, family and medical leave, vacations and retirement security," as well as "high-quality health care" and "safe, affordable, adequate housing."

If that weren't enough, the government would "stop the transfer of jobs overseas," strengthen labor unions and ensure "the use of democratic and participatory processes that are inclusive of and led by frontline and vulnerable communities and workers."

Even most Democrats in Congress don't seem to be sold on this plan. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi

referred to it, with evident skepticism, as "the green dream or whatever" and "one of several or maybe many suggestions that we receive."

House Natural Resources Committee Chairman Raul Grijalva, D-Ariz., worried that the main result would be "providing an issue to the other side." And in a recent TV appearance, U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., did his best to make the Green New Deal sound peculiar: "I can't tell you, to be honest with you. I have read it and I have reread it and I asked Ed Markey ... what in the heck is this?"

If a flurry of proposed Green New Deals foster wider recognition of the dangers of global warming, that could be useful. But by demanding so much, the advocates risk undermining their cause — and enabling those who prefer to do as little as possible. Anyone who wants action to curb climate change would do well to remember the old definition of politics: the art of the possible.

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

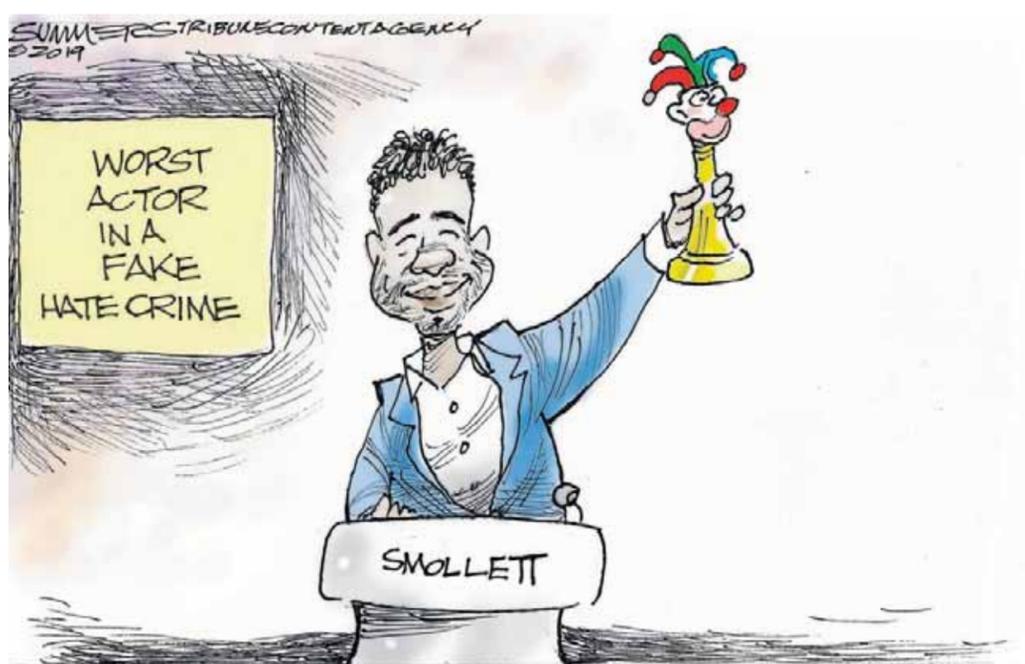
For Jussie Smollett, being a successful actor and singer might not have been quite as exciting as being a poster child for racist abuse in Trump's America. Assuming, again, that the reports are accurate, Smollett's clumsiness would be an especially poignant indication of how deeply this victimhood chic has taken hold — almost as if he thought this was such an easy score that he didn't even need to think too hard about the logistics. ...

On ABC's "Good Morning America," Smollett told Robin Roberts, amid initial skepticism about his account, that people would have been more open to his story if he had said the attackers were black or Muslim — missing, apparently, that the attackers' being white made the story the most interesting possible one to all the people he was seeking to reach. ... Did it not occur to Smollett that if this blew up in his face, he would be tarring by association actual and legitimate claims of racist and homophobic abuse? ...

Only in an America in which matters of race are not as utterly irredeemable as we are often told could things get to the point that someone would pretend to be tortured in this way ... seeking to play a prophet out of a sense that playing a singer on television is not as glamorous as getting beaten up by white guys. That anyone could feel this way and act on it in the public sphere is, in a twisted way, a kind of privilege, and a sign that we have come further on race than we are often comfortable admitting.

John McWhorter, *The Atlantic*

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# Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE

## A serious question about nonsense questions: Will Chicago's next mayor invite more citizen input?



ERIC ZORN

I called it my “straw poll.”

Over the last week or so I reached out to all 14 Chicago mayoral candidates asking what if anything they would do about the deplorable custom in the City Council that resulted in an advisory referendum question on the November ballot that read, “Should the City of Chicago ban the use of plastic straws within the corporate city limits?”

It was one of three throwaway questions that the aldermen had hastily moved to put before voters when former Gov. Pat Quinn was leading a petition drive for a referendum asking voters if they wanted mayoral term limits.

State law limits to three the number of such questions that can be on the citywide ballot for the understandable reason that the more propositions there are on the ballot, the less likely it is that voters will have formed meaningful opinions on them. Extra questions may be asked on a ward-by-ward basis.

So it's become a standard ploy in Chicago whenever there is a potentially awkward petition drive in the works that the aldermen pre-empt the effort with minor plebiscites, the results of which are promptly ignored and forgotten (55 percent of voters OK'd a ban on plastic straws, and they are still legal).

In 2014, to prevent voters from voicing their opinions about an elected school board, the council jammed onto the ballot three *well-duh!* questions including whether treatment should be mandatory



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“Should the City of Chicago ban the use of plastic straws within the corporate city limits?” was a referendum question on the November ballot.

for city employees convicted of domestic violence. (Activists did get the school board question on the February 2015 ballot in 37 wards, where it won 89 percent support.)

So I was glad to see that mayoral candidate Gery Chico is proposing the “Chicago Voter Initiative,” a plan to give priority to petition-based ballot questions and allow for binding referendums — a form of direct democracy available in Detroit, New York, Los Angeles and other major cities.

Under Chico's plan, a referendum petition would need signatures of registered voters equal to at least 8 percent of the number of city residents who voted in the most recent election for governor (71,106 would be the current threshold), and would be guaranteed a spot on the ballot.

And though I'm wary of binding referendums — the dumpster fire that is Brexit comes to mind — and of term limits and elected school boards, for that matter, I love the idea of preventing aldermen from arrogantly muzzling voters and asking them about plastic straws instead of matters of significant local concern.

Here, in alphabetical order and edited

for space and clarity, are the responses on this issue I got from the other candidates:

**Bill Daley:** “The tactic of crowding out legitimate ballot questions is cynical. It's a missed opportunity to engage Chicagoans on important problems, and it erodes trust that the City Council is listening to Chicago voters.”

**Amara Enyia:** “At a time when people are starving for more responsive government and want to know that elected officials are actually working for them, referendums allow people to decide for themselves what's important and also provide necessary cover for elected officials to understand what the will of the people truly is.”

**Bob Fioretti:** “We could try having no limit but if we constantly have an unmanageable number, we'd have to rethink eliminating the limit. I'm not eager to see us govern by binding referendum. The system will quickly be taken over by big-money influences.”

**La Shawn Ford:** “We need to change Illinois law to allow more advisory referendums, and I will explore how we can do that. Regarding binding referendums, it is usually better for changes in the law to proceed through the usual legislative process with its public hearings, scrutiny and checks and balances.”

**Neal Sales-Griffin:** “To curb the use of advisory referendums as placeholder ballot questions we should have clear protocols in place for how their results are handled. Currently, the council doesn't have to do anything as a result of the voter response, and many ideas languish or falter even if there is overwhelming support for an initiative. We should require council members to explore and document why a refer-

endum was or wasn't pursued after the public votes on it.”

**Jerry Joyce:** “I support allowing one or two referendum questions per cycle that can't be bumped by parliamentary trick.”

**Lori Lightfoot:** “The slight-of-hand trick that keeps legitimate referendums off the ballot requires reform.”

**Susana Mendoza:** “I support promoting binding referendums through this process, and I've said it's an approach I would take to end aldermanic prerogative.”

**Paul Vallas:** “I'm in favor of letting the voters have a definitive say on major matters of public policy. For too long, the machine has routinely found ways to crowd the ballot with often-silly advisory issues and block real public input. I will work closely with the City Council and other key stakeholders to work out the mechanics of making binding referendums the law in Chicago in my first year in office.”

**Willie Wilson:** “Politicians are the elected representatives of the people and should only do the people's will, not their own. If the people want to do something directly and not involve the politicians, that is their right. I would use the full weight and influence of the mayor's office to prevent any blocking of ballot initiatives by citizens.”

Candidates John Kozlar and Garry McCarthy didn't respond to repeated requests for comment.

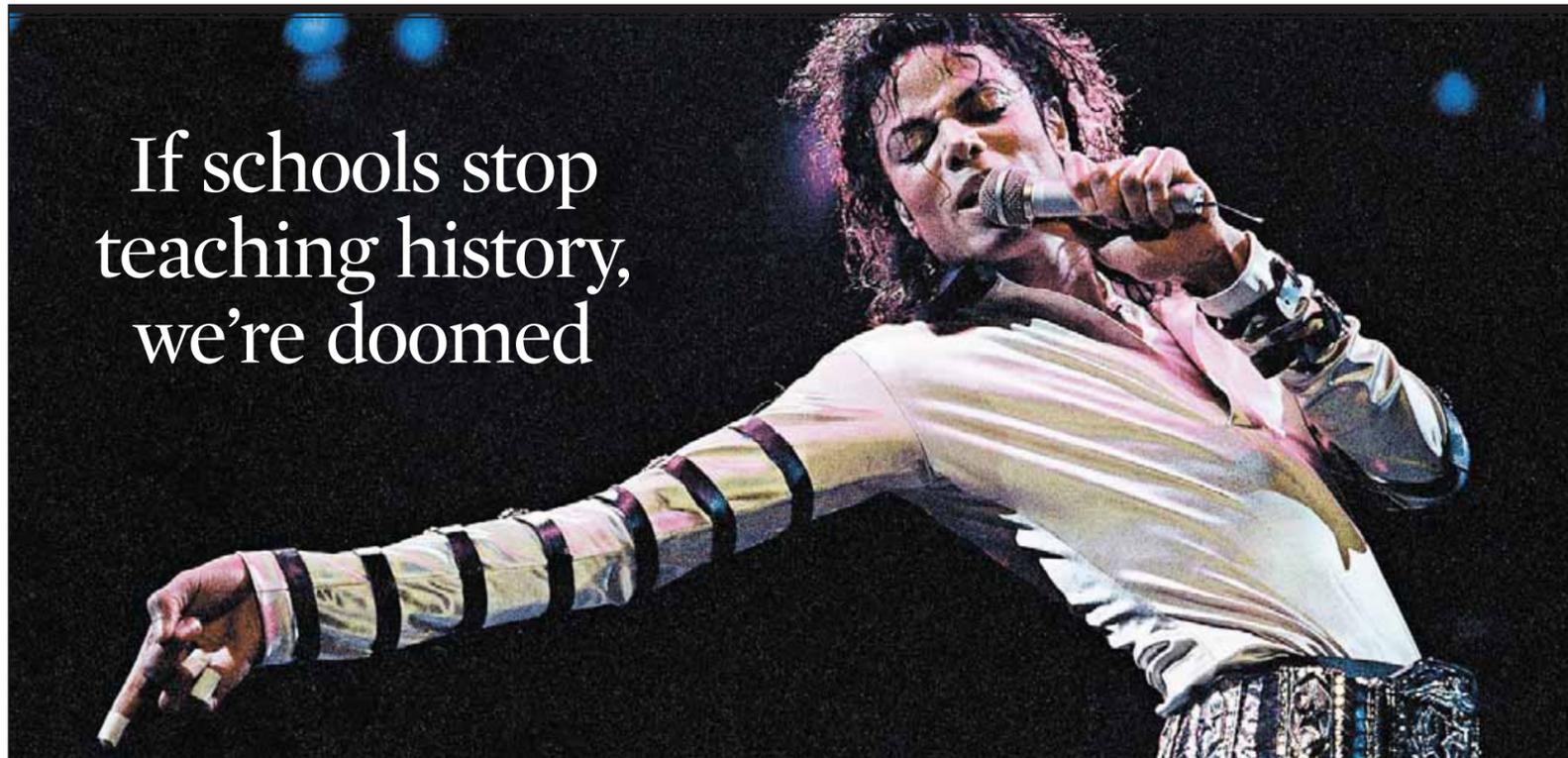
Toni Preckwinkle's spokeswoman sent back a note saying “we aren't responding.”

Not responding to the idea that government should be more responsive?

Gotcha.

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## If schools stop teaching history, we're doomed



CLIFF SCHIAPPA/AP 1988

A survey found that more Americans could identify Michael Jackson as the composer of “Beat It” than could identify the Bill of Rights as amendments to the Constitution.

By **MAX BOOT**

Is the study of history becoming, well, history?

According to Benjamin Schmidt of Northeastern University, the number of bachelor's degrees granted in history declined from 34,642 in 2008 to 24,266 in 2017 even as other majors, such as computer science and engineering, have seen rising enrollments. Today, fewer than 2 percent of male undergraduates and fewer than 1 percent of females major in history, compared with more than 6 percent and nearly 5 percent, respectively, in the late 1960s. History departments are cutting courses and curtailing hires because of falling enrollments. The University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point may even abolish its entire history department. History education in schools is so poor that students often enter college ignorant of the past — and leave just as unenlightened.

A survey by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni found that “more Americans could identify Michael Jackson as the composer of ‘Beat It’ and ‘Billie Jean’ than could identify the Bill of Rights as a body of amendments to the U.S. Constitution,” “more than a third did not know the century in which the American Revolution took place,” and “half of the respondents believed the Civil War, the Emancipation Procla-

mation or the War of 1812 were before the American Revolution.” Oh, and “more than 50 percent of respondents attributed the quote ‘From each according to his ability to each according to his needs’ to either Thomas Paine, George Washington or Barack Obama.” It used to go without saying that this was one of Bernie Sanders' most famous lines. (Wait. I may be confused.)

This abysmal ignorance fills me with sadness — even despair. History has been my primary intellectual passion ever since, as a boy in Southern California, I began reading books on World War II and the life of Winston Churchill. At the University of California at Berkeley, my interests broadened from military history to diplomatic history and other disciplines. I was so inspired by professors such as Walter McDougall, Sheldon Rothblatt and Thomas Barnes that I enrolled in Yale's graduate history program. I have gone on to a career of writing historical narratives, but even my journalistic work is always informed by my study of history.

You simply can't understand the present if you don't understand the past. There is no more alarming case study of the consequences of historical ignorance than President Donald Trump. He has adopted a foreign policy mantra of “America First” seemingly without realizing (or so I hope!) that the original

America First Committee of 1940-41 was sympathetic to the Nazis. And he has embraced tariffs seemingly without being aware of the disastrous consequences of the 1930 Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act.

More broadly, his appeals are steeped in misbegotten nostalgia. His slogan “Make America Great Again” implies that we must recover some lost golden age, a conceit that has been a constant of Western history since ancient Athens. Asked when America was great, Trump pointed to the early years of the 20th century and the 1940s-1950s. One wonders if he has heard of the Triangle Shirtwaist factory fire? Upton Sinclair's “The Jungle”? The Balangiga massacre? Lynchings? The Palmer Raids? McCarthyism? Of course, the United States did a lot of extraordinary things in the first half of the 20th century — but it was far from the paradise that Trump evokes.

Kids, don't become like Donald Trump. Study history. The fact that so many Americans know so little about the past means that we as a society are vulnerable to demagogues.

Historians may not want to admit it, but they bear some blame for the increasing irrelevance of their discipline. As historians Hal Brands and Francis Gavin argue on the national security site War on the Rocks, since the 1960s history professors have retreated from

public debate into esoteric pursuits. The push to emphasize “cultural, social and gender history,” and to pay “greater attention to the experiences of under-represented and oppressed groups,” they write, has been a welcome corrective to an older historiography that focused almost entirely on powerful white men. But like many revolutions, this one has gone too far, leading to the neglect of political, diplomatic and military history — subjects that students need to study and, as enrollment figures indicate, students want to study but that universities perversely neglect. Historian Jill Lepore notes that we have ditched an outdated national narrative without creating a new one to take its place, leaving a vacuum to be filled by tribalists.

Historians need to speak to a larger public that will never pick up their academic journals — and students need to grasp the importance of studying history, not only for their own future but for the country's too. It's not a bad investment: History majors' median earnings are higher than other college graduates'.

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## PERSPECTIVE

## Gov. Pritzker, don't dismiss the Republicans too quickly

BY DAVID GREISING

Bipartisanship is a laudable goal and a noble sentiment. It also is a rare phenomenon in modern politics, so the onus will be on the administration of Gov. J.B. Pritzker to prove the two-party talk of his early days in office is more than just empty rhetoric.

In his budget speech Wednesday, Pritzker doubled down on the tone of bipartisanship he has been striving to set since being elected in November. "Budgeting will not be done by taking the state hostage, or by court orders, consent decrees and continuing appropriations but instead by debate and compromise and a return to regular order," he said.

This follows some showy moves from the transition period: appointing former Republican Gov. Jim Edgar to help lead his transition; turning over the Department of Revenue to a Republican; even appearing at a GOP celebration during inauguration festivities.

The tone stands in stark contrast to Pritzker's predecessor, Bruce Rauner, who vilified House Speaker Michael Madigan and the Democrats to get elected, then never let up after he won. In word and deed, Pritzker has signaled an intention to change the tone and tactics of governing.

But the math of politics is working against such sentiments, and Pritzker's early move on the minimum wage bill — for which he earned not a single Republican vote — is a sign that the comradely talk will be tough to put into action.

The Democratic supermajorities in both houses of the legislature mean Pritzker may never need a single Republican vote to pass a bill. There will be pressure from his large Democratic caucus, and from the unions that helped elect him, to just steamroll the Republicans and rule without much reference to their agenda or concerns.

I spent time in Springfield this week, on both sides of the aisle, and the Republicans there are palpably concerned about the potential for irrelevance and impotence. There was a concern that Pritzker's feel-good tone of bipartisanship will be nothing more than a talking point.

First, there was the vote to impose a \$15-an-hour minimum wage in Illinois by 2025. A truly bipartisan Pritzker could have slowed down for a few days. He could have given respectful consideration to a reasonable Republican argument that the minimum wage be set lower in parts of the state where costs are not as high and business conditions not as strong as in the Chicago area. But Pritzker wanted an early signing ceremony and pushed on through.

The Pritzker budget address Wednesday included some respectful rhetoric. But the new governor's free-spending



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Gov. J.B. Pritzker delivers his first budget address to Illinois lawmakers in Springfield on Wednesday. Pritzker talked about bipartisanship and compromise.

approach to addressing the state's \$3.2 billion budget deficit had Republicans sitting on their hands and grabbing their wallets.

"All I saw and heard is more spending," said state Rep. Jim Durkin, leader of the House Republicans.

Durkin is troubled by Pritzker's plan to extend the state's pension repayment schedule by seven years. "It reminds me of the bad years when we shortchanged our pensions to balance the budget," he said.

The Pritzker administration estimates a savings of \$878 million in the coming fiscal year from the extension alone — and closes its eyes over the way that extensions, pension holidays and other gimmicks have made Illinois' public pension plans the worst funded among the 50 states. Pritzker, to his credit, is not engaging in anything like the fanciful thinking that governed Rauner's budget-making. Pritzker's budget speech pointedly referenced Rauner's ridiculous claim he could he could close a \$4.6 billion shortfall with a budget line named "Working together on a 'grand bargain'."

But by embracing moves like the extension of pension refunding, Pritzker is showing signs that he could use some Republican counsel, even if he does not need their votes. Fixing the pension problem needs to be a bipartisan effort, and Republicans could have prompted him to give serious thoughts to the financial and political costs of extending the state's pension repayment plans.

There are other areas where a second party's set of eyes could be valuable. As just one example, Pritzker is counting on \$402 million from sports betting, recre-

ational marijuana and a new statewide tax on plastic bags.

Those numbers may be a lot squishier than they sound, and if Pritzker can't gather appropriate skepticism from the Democratic caucus, he should seek it from the Republicans. Some might point out that marijuana won't be popular in their districts, even if it is legal. They might reference what has happened in Michigan, where some 60 cities have chosen not to allow local businesses to sell weed for recreational use.

Bipartisanship has become such a rarity, in Illinois and nationally, that some people and politicians may never have seen how a two-party approach to politics can have beneficial effects on policy.

If Madigan and Senate President John Cullerton aren't inclined to remind Pritzker of the damage done by pension holidays, pension bonds and other fiscal sleights of hand, then perhaps Durkin and Senate Minority Leader Bill Brady will. If urban Democrats won't warn about the social costs of gambling and marijuana, perhaps downstate Republicans will.

It would be understandable if Pritzker chose to ignore the Republicans altogether. He rarely will need Republican votes to get legislation passed, and the House and Senate leaders aren't exactly champions of across-the-aisle cooperation.

It would be understandable if Pritzker gave bipartisanship nothing more than lip service. It also would be a big mistake.

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## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

## Johnson and CPD are professionals

Ever since Jussie Smollett's alleged attack took place, being a veteran cop, I was somewhat skeptical. Easy to do from a thousand miles away. What was impressive to me was the professionalism of the Chicago Police Department and especially its leader, Eddie Johnson, with the cynics biting him and his officers' backs mostly for the number of detectives assigned to the case. From the start, Johnson refused to comment other than to treat the so-called victim as a victim until all the facts of the case were thoroughly investigated. Detectives did a brilliant job of investigating a very difficult and serious accusation and showed not only professional competence but also what can be accomplished when police and citizens work together for the common good. Long after Smollett passes into history, Chicagoans can take pride in a department that showed it's always wise to wait for the facts to come out, no matter the pressure involved.

— Bob Angone, retired lieutenant, Chicago Police Department, Miramar Beach, Fla.

## What a waste of money

I have been an attorney for over three decades, but never have I witnessed a breakdown in our judicial process as I have witnessed with the Jussie Smollett matter. After a massive fraud perpetrated on the public comes a single charge of disorderly conduct? The public should be outraged at the amount of police, FBI and other professional resources spent on this charade. The inappropriateness of Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx having to recuse herself before the matter was fully investigated is even more upsetting. Why did so much effort go into this matter when we have babies and innocent people shot and killed on our expressways? I hope Smollett will be forced to pay the taxpayers back for all the money we spent on his psychotic urge for the media spotlight.

— Tim Kelly, Schaumburg

## An accusation is not a fact

There is one good thing that came out of the Jussie Smollett controversy; it can remind us that an accusation is not a fact. This is true for any accusation. It is true if your dog is accused of messing up your neighbor's lawn, your daughter is accused of disruptive school behavior, your son is accused of cheating, your spouse is accused of infidelity or a stranger is accused of being a racist or committing a sexual assault. It makes no sense to believe or disbelieve any accusation until it is thoroughly investigated. It is unfortunate that we have begun to adopt such extreme positions in our country that this obvious observation has been forgotten.

— Lee Goldberg, Naperville

## GOP's own savvy euphemisms

Victor Davis Hanson, in his op-ed piece ("Global warming," "climate change" and the danger of euphemisms," Feb. 21), bemoans the use of euphemisms and warns that "radical changes in vocabulary are usually admissions that reality is unwelcome or indefensible." He cites terms such as "global warming," "diversity" and "undocumented immigrant" as examples of Democrats using new language to obfuscate a liberal agenda. Let's remember, however, that it is Republicans who are the real masters at creating euphemisms that not only muddle their actual meaning but belie the true intent of justifying their vile policies.

To defend passing tax cuts on the ultra-wealthy, billionaires became "job creators," as if hedge fund managers were suddenly hiring thousands of people (other than the hordes of accountants and tax attorneys needed to count and shelter their money). And to convince the public that easing regulations on the coal industry is a really wonderful idea, Republicans use the term "clean coal," or as Donald Trump likes to call it, "beautiful, clean coal."

Perhaps the greatest euphemism of all time was coined by White House counselor Kellyanne Conway when, in order to defend then-press secretary Sean Spicer's false statements about the crowd size at Trump's inauguration, she referred to them as "alternative facts." So let's be honest. Finding a way to call lies something other than lies is the ultimate admission of an unwelcome and indefensible reality.

— Mark Hersch, Highland Park

## Lawmakers are 'investors'

Victor Davis Hanson's piece is very good, but he omitted my favorite euphemism, the now-popular way to characterize spending taxpayer's money as "investing" in this or that.

— George Weiler, Randall, Wis.

## No excuses. The public deserves to see the full Mueller report.

BY GREG SARGENT

It's now being widely reported that special counsel Robert Mueller is set to wrap up his investigation and deliver a report to Attorney General William Barr as soon as next week. Which has raised a big question: How much will Barr disclose about Mueller's findings to Congress?

The emerging "savvy" consensus is that we shouldn't expect too much. As The Washington Post reports, Department of Justice regulations don't require maximal disclosure, and Barr has been noncommittal, citing Justice Department "practices that insist on saying little or nothing about conduct that does not lead to criminal charges," as the Post put it.

In other words, tamp down your expectations, people, because DOJ regulations don't compel full disclosure and precedent leans against it.

But this concedes too much upfront. The starting point for this whole argument should be that there is nothing that precludes robust public disclosure of Mueller's findings, and that, in a situation as unusual as this one, we are absolutely right to expect and insist on it.

It's true that DOJ regulations governing the special counsel's work do not require maximal disclosure. They direct him to "provide the attorney general with a confidential report explaining" his "prosecution or declination decisions," upon the "conclusion" of his work.

The regulations then instruct the attorney general to provide the bipartisan leaders of the judiciary committees in both chambers with "an explanation" of the "conclusion of the special counsel's investigation."

This gives Barr great discretion to decide how much information from Mueller's findings to transmit to Congress. But as Andrew Kent, a professor of law at Fordham University, points out in an interview, there's no reason to read this as precluding maximal disclosure.

"The language is not limiting in any way," Kent told me. "An attorney general who wanted to could easily read this to allow a broad and inclusive report."

In his recent confirmation hearing testimony, Barr was somewhat squirrely about his intentions with regard to the release of Mueller's findings. He kept saying in one way or another that his release would be "consistent with the regulations." Many have read this to mean that Barr is not required to do any more than the absolute minimum. While this is narrowly correct, we don't have to read his comments this way. Again and again, Barr vowed he'd do all he can in the direction of transparency while remaining consistent with the regulations. If so — and we should hold him to it — then there is nothing stopping expansive disclosure.

As Kent points out, this is the case at every point in this procedural chain. Much is being made of the idea that Mueller is a "by the book" prosecutor who will follow the regulations to the letter. But that doesn't preclude robust disclosure.

The regulations say that Mueller must provide an "explanation" for his decisions either to prosecute or not to prosecute. If he decides either that Trump or his associates have not committed criminal wrongdoing, or that Trump has done so but should not be indicted as a sitting president, he can explain this decision in a level of detail that informs the public as to the conduct that did happen.

This is the case when it comes to many aspects of this whole affair. It's the case on Trump conduct that may have obstructed justice (Trump's repeated efforts to derail the probe may not have crossed over into criminality, but Mueller may have established more detail about it). It's also the case on "collusion" (even if Mueller doesn't find a criminal conspiracy, he may have found more detail about how deep the coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia may have gone).

"Mueller can give the attorney general whatever he wants," Kent said. "Even if he doesn't find that additional charges are warranted, he can explain the basis for that conclusion. He can explain what he did find and why it doesn't rise to the level of criminality."

Those findings do remain confidential,

but the key point is that the attorney general has discretion to transmit a great deal of that to Congress — if he wishes.

"The special counsel regulations in no way restrict the fullest possible public disclosure by the attorney general of Mueller's findings and the evidence backing them up," Harvard law professor Laurence Tribe told me.

Tribe also noted that if Mueller has chosen not to indict Trump because of DOJ policy protecting a sitting president, that would argue in favor of transmitting as much information as possible to Congress "for consideration in the context of possible impeachment."

There's also been chatter that Barr might be constrained from releasing information gathered during grand jury proceedings. But Kent suggested that precisely because of this problem, Mueller presumably collected plenty of information in other ways allowing release.

"While federal law does protect the secrecy of certain information gathered by grand juries, this should not significantly interfere with Attorney General Barr's ability to provide a full report to Congress on the Mueller investigation, if that is what he wants to do," Kent said.

This affair has torn the country in half for two years. Even if Trump's efforts to obstruct the probe are not criminal, they constitute an extraordinary assault on our institutions.

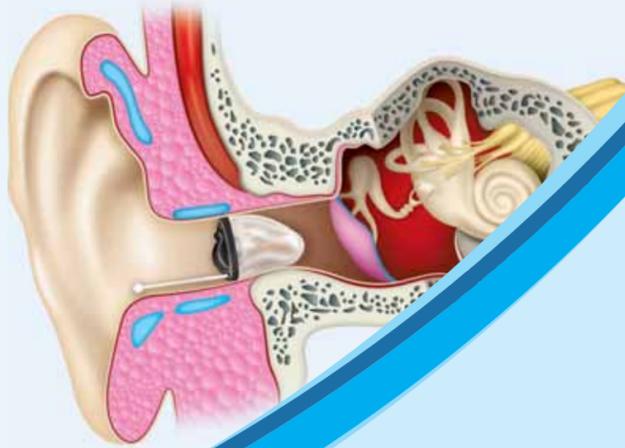
Let's also not forget that Mueller was charged with investigating a foreign power's sabotaging of our democracy irrespective of whether Trump's campaign conspired with it. It is only through indictments and congressional fact-finding that we've learned of that campaign's startling scope and reach.

The public has a right to as much disclosure as possible on all of this. More to the point, there is no good reason for this not to happen. That is the point at which this debate should begin.

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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## High-rises might abut Soldier Field



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A development involving several towers has been proposed by Landmark Development and would be built over Metra tracks just west of Soldier Field.

### Multibillion-dollar plan would put apartments over Metra tracks



**RYAN ORI**  
On Real Estate

A Wisconsin developer who's best known for sports stadiums wants to deck over train tracks near Soldier Field and McCormick Place and create a multibillion-dollar development, adding to a ballooning list of super-ambitious real

estate projects in Chicago.

Bob Dunn, who has been involved in constructing stadiums for the NFL's Detroit Lions and Minnesota Vikings and a renovation of the Green Bay Packers' Lambeau Field, leads a group that wants to construct several towers over Metra Electric train tracks between McFetridge Drive and 20th Street, according to people familiar with the plan.

The preliminary plan is to build millions of square feet of space for apartments, retail, meeting space

and potentially other uses such as offices, the people said. The project would be built on platforms atop 34 acres of air rights long controlled by Chicago developer Gerald Fogelson, who built the massive Central Station residential development nearby, the sources said.

Dunn and Fogelson are part of a Chicago-based firm, Landmark Development, that has presented preliminary plans to city officials including 3rd Ward Ald. Pat Dowell. No formal plans have been presented to the city, said Peter Strazabosco, a spokesman for

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## DOD doubles down on UI Labs

Goose Island manufacturing institute gets \$60M

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**  
Chicago Tribune

The Department of Defense is "doubling down" on UI Labs' digital manufacturing institute with up to \$60 million in new funding over the next five years for the Goose Island facility.

The investment, announced Thursday, represents a renewed commitment by the DOD, and keeps the 5-year-old innovation center on the cutting edge of manufacturing, tackling everything from cybersecurity protection to training employees with augmented reality glasses.

"It's a big deal that the Department of Defense decided that they wanted to partner with us for another five years," said Caralynn Nowinski Collens, co-founder and CEO of UI Labs. "It's doubling down. It means we were successful for the first five years and let's do more work together."

The funding commitment includes \$10 million this year and at least \$20 million more over the next five years, Collens said. The total could end up as high as \$60 million, she said.

The Department of Defense has been invested in UI Labs since the \$320 million public-private partnership launched in 2014. Situated in a retooled former window factory on Goose Island near down-

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ELISE AMENDOLA/AP 2017

## Researchers: Posts of friends may be making you spend

By **CHRISTOPHER INGRAHAM** | The Washington Post

American families don't save money like they used to. In 2018 the personal saving rate hovered somewhere around 7 percent. That's up from an all-time low of 3 percent right before the Great Recession hit, but it's well below the rate of a few decades ago.

There are a lot of potential explanations for this. Wage growth has slowed while necessities like housing and medical care have grown more expensive, taking a big chunk out of personal income. The rise of easy credit has

made spending beyond our means easier than ever. Pension plans have been replaced by 401(k)s, which are much easier to draw down on in a pinch—even if it's nearly always a bad idea.

Now, a team of Ameri-

can and Canadian economists have proposed a new explanation for the declining savings rate, one rooted in individual psychology. At its heart lies a simple observation: Personal spending is a lot more visible to others than not spending. Changes in the media landscape have made other people's spending more visible than ever. That, in turn, is making all of us spend even more—and save even less.

Humans are social cre-

atures, and we have a tendency to evaluate our own standing in life relative to how our friends and neighbors are doing. We want to keep up with the Joneses, and stay ahead of the Smiths. Because of this, when we see other people spending money we have a tendency to believe that we can—or should—be spending, too. "A boat parked in a driveway draws the attention of neighbors more than the absence of a boat," the economists explain.

"Similarly, it is more noticeable when a friend or acquaintance is encountered eating out or reports taking an expensive trip than when not, or buys an enjoyable product as compared with not doing so."

These signals from other people are particularly powerful in part because many of us have considerable uncertainty about how much we should be spending. "There is a great deal of

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## Former developer of Spire site gets time to revise plans

By **RYAN ORI**  
Chicago Tribune

The owner of the Chicago Spire site could have an additional year to begin developing the lakefront site, four months after a downtown alderman rejected a proposal for two skyscrapers.

The Chicago Plan Commission on Thursday voted to give developer Related Midwest until May 2020 to start construction on the 2.2-acre site at 400 N. Lake Shore Drive. The extension still must be formally approved by the City Council's zoning committee and the full City Council.

Overall zoning for the site, called a planned development, is to expire May 6.

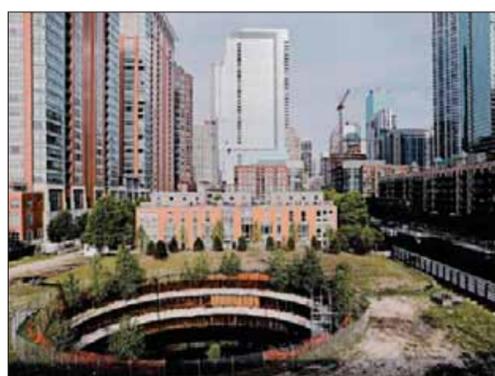
If a developer fails to start construction within six years of a planned development's approval,

the zoning process must start from scratch. The site already has received two extensions since a project was first approved under a separate developer in 2007.

Related last year unveiled plans, designed by One World Trade Center architect David Childs of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, to build two residential towers, rising 1,100 and 850 feet high, on a podium connecting them.

The towers were to contain apartments, for-sale condominiums and a hotel. But in October, Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, announced his opposition to the skyline-changing design because of concerns from community groups about traffic, the height of the podium, security along the river and the inclusion of a hotel in the plan.

Reilly's decision sent Re-



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Overall zoning for the 2.2-acre site is set to expire May 6.

lated back to the drawing board, and it's unclear when a revised plan will be presented. Reilly could not be reached for comment, and Related declined to comment.

The site along Lake Shore Drive and the Chicago River has been known for its 76-foot-deep foundation since construction halted on the planned Chicago Spire more than a decade ago.

Irish developer Garrett Kelleher began foundation work on the planned

2,000-foot-tall tower, designed by Santiago Calatrava, without a construction loan. It would have been the tallest skyscraper in the Western Hemisphere.

Kelleher's project was doomed when global lending markets virtually shut down in late 2008.

Related, which now calls the development 400 Lake Shore Drive, has controlled the site since 2014.

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## Businesses teaming up on disposal of opioids

Walgreens, CVS, Google to show drop-off sites

By **GERRIT DE VYNCK**  
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Google will show drug-disposal locations on its Maps program and in internet search results, an effort to help people get rid of unused opioids and prevent drug abuse.

The internet search giant has joined with U.S. government agencies and drugstore chains like CVS Health and Walgreens to pinpoint places where patients can drop off leftover medication.

Google searches such as "drug drop off near me" will bring up locations from a database of 3,500 sites in seven states as part of the pilot program. That number will grow as the program expands, Google said Thursday in a blog post that called the state

governments of Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan and Pennsylvania "instrumental in this project."

Opioid abuse now accounts for more deaths in the U.S. than car crashes or firearms, and much of the problem stems from legally prescribed drugs that are used by family members or friends of patients. By making it easier for people to safely get rid of unused prescription drugs, the company hopes to stop them from getting into the wrong hands.

The company used to make money from search ads catering to the lucrative addiction treatment market. It banned ads for rehab centers in 2017 after criticism it was helping unethical and even fake treatment providers find and exploit addicts.

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# Trump administration ends auto mileage talks

Rules dispute with California may be headed to court

BY ELLEN KNICKMEYER AND TOM KRISHER  
Associated Press

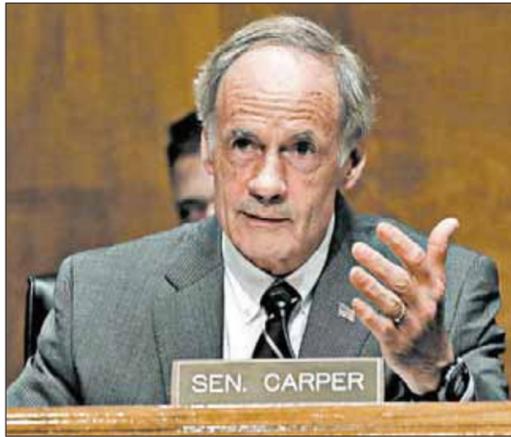
WASHINGTON — The Trump administration broke off vehicle mileage standards talks with California on Thursday, moving the two closer to a possible court battle that threatens to unsettle the auto industry.

The White House said the administration, which wants to freeze mileage standards, would now move unilaterally to “finalize a rule later this year with the goal of promoting safer, cleaner, and more affordable vehicles.”

California officials and the Trump administration each accused the other of failing to present any good compromise proposal in the mileage dispute, which comes as President Donald Trump feuds with the Democrat-led state over his proposed border wall and his threats to take back federal money.

The administration said last year it wanted to freeze what would have been tougher, Obama-era mileage standards for cars and light trucks. It would be one of a series of rollbacks targeting Obama administration efforts against pollution and climate change.

Under the administration proposal, the standards would be frozen after slightly tougher 2020 levels go into effect, eliminating 10 miles per gallon of improvement to a fleet average of 36 mpg in 2025. As part of the proposed mileage freeze, the administration threatened to revoke California’s legal authority to set its own, tougher mileage standards, waivers granted under the Clean Air Act to help it deal with its punishing smog. Thirteen states



JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP 2018

Sen. Tom Carper, D-Del., called administration efforts in the mileage talks “superficial and not robust at best.”

and the District of Columbia follow California’s mileage standards.

Lawmakers and automakers have urged the two sides to settle, warning that a split could divide the auto market, bring years of court battles and raise costs for automakers.

“This administration’s negotiations with the State of California over fuel economy and greenhouse gas emissions standards have been superficial and not robust at best, or duplicitous and designed to fail at worst,” Sen. Tom Carper of Delaware, the top Democrat in the Senate’s Environment and Public Works Committee, said in a statement late Wednesday, as the formal negotiations breakdown loomed.

“Litigation ... wastes time, money, creates uncertainty for American automakers and harms the environment,” Carper said.

California officials say the administration never offered any compromise and that it broke off any contacts around December.

“We concluded at that point that they were never serious about negotiating, and their public comments about California since then seem to underscore that

point,” said Stanley Young, spokesman for the state’s air board.

It’s the latest shot by the White House in its escalating feud with California. The Trump administration earlier in the week said it planned to cancel nearly \$1 billion for California’s high-speed rail project and would seek the return of \$2.5 billion more. Gov. Gavin Newsom said it was political retribution for the state’s role in leading a 16-state lawsuit against Trump’s declaration of a national emergency to get funds for his proposed wall at the southern border.

Since it takes several years to design vehicles, automakers have been planning to meet higher mileage requirements under Obama-era standards, as well as those in other countries.

For now, “essentially the industry is ignoring what Trump wants to do,” auto industry analyst Sam Abuelsamid of Navigant Research said. “We know at least until this thing gets settled in the courts, we have to deal with California and the other states and have product that can sell there as well as products that can sell overseas.”

# Space planned for retail and offices

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the city’s planning department.

Dowell plans a public meeting about the project on March 13.

A Landmark spokesman declined to comment.

Crain’s Chicago Business first reported Landmark’s plans.

Working with transit agencies, the company’s proposal could include renovating or replacing the 18th Street Metra station and creating other public transportation linking the site to the Loop.

It would be Landmark’s first development in Chicago.

Taking the lead is Dunn, a longtime executive with Wisconsin-based Hammes Company. In addition to major league sports venues, he has been involved in projects in smaller cities including Rochester, Minn.; Billings, Mont.; and Allentown, Pa.

But he sees big opportunities in urban areas such

as Chicago.

“We are beginning to feel the re-urbanization of the country,” Dunn told the Billings Gazette in July 2017, while planning the Montana project. “America is retooling its urban core. Those are the projects we like to be part of — projects that are the catalyst for great communities.”

A city without well-organized growth is “going to be a meaningless city in 10 years,” Dunn told the newspaper.

In Chicago, the question is how much growth can be sustained.

Just south of McCormick Place, firms including Farpoint Development and Draper and Kramer plan a redevelopment of the 49-acre former Michael Reese Hospital site and other land into a large mixed-use development called the Burnham Lakefront.

Directly west of Landmark’s planned project, Related Midwest plans a 62-acre mixed-use devel-

opment called The 78, which would link the South Loop to Chinatown.

Farther up the Chicago River, other expansive sites in the city include Sterling Bay’s proposed 55-acre Lincoln Yards mixed-use development and Tribune Media’s 37-acre site called the River District.

Downtown, huge projects include a Union Station redevelopment that will include a new, 50-story office tower anchored by BMO Financial Group.

A decade into an economic growth cycle, it’s unclear how much longer the good times can last or how many of Chicago’s megadevelopments the market can support.

It’s possible some projects, including a complicated project over Metra tracks, could be planned now but built — or at least completed — in future construction cycles.

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# \$60M in DOD funding for UI Labs

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town Chicago, the digital manufacturing institute has worked on dozens of projects since its inception, helping manufacturers large and small solve problems in the digital age.

“Our goal is to work on problems that are too big for any one company to solve on its own,” Collens said.

One of the top priorities — and a driver behind the Defense Department’s investment — is keeping manufacturers safe from cyber attacks in an increasingly connected assembly and distribution process, Collens said.

“Everything — machines and factories — are being connected to the internet,” she said. “We need to make sure that they’re not going to be able

to get hacked.”

The UI Labs facility has 46 employees, including engineers, manufacturing technicians and project managers. In addition to the Defense Department, the institute has more than 300 partners, including universities and major manufacturers such as Dow Chemical, Lockheed Martin, Rolls-Royce and Siemens.

Collens said the center, formally known as the Digital Manufacturing and Design Innovation Institute, has invested about \$90 million in more than 60 projects since its launch.

One notable project conducted with John Deere, Boeing, Iowa State and Purdue involved harnessing augmented reality glasses — the same technology used to play “Poke-

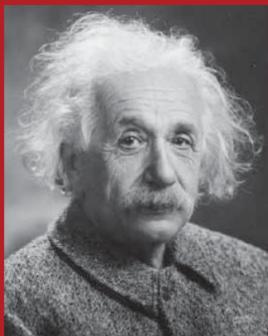
mon Go” — to train factory workers. The end product was new software that would enable employees to strap on glasses and learn the manufacturing ropes more efficiently, doing away with printed manuals.

More broadly, the UI Labs institute helps develop advanced manufacturing techniques to compete against countries like China, Singapore and Germany, Collens said.

“Manufacturing is a critical part of the Illinois economy and we must maintain America’s competitive edge,” Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., said in a news release. “UI Labs helps our state and our nation achieve success on both fronts.”

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# Pinterest cracks down on vaccine info

Social media firm takes extreme path, blocks search results

BY TAYLOR TELFORD  
The Washington Post

As social media companies wrestle with how to police dangerous health misinformation on their platforms, Pinterest has taken an extreme approach: blocking search results related to vaccinations, whether the results are medically accurate or not.

The San Francisco-based company told The Wall Street Journal it's been suppressing search results on the topic since December and will continue to do so until it finds a reliable solution to protect Pinterest users from harmful and misleading content. Pinterest searches about vaccines had been dominated by results that bucked long-standing scientific research and guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control by claiming vaccinations were hazardous. Users of the photo-sharing site can still pin this kind of material to their personal boards, even though it won't surface in searches.



ERIC RISBERG/AP 2015

A U.S. measles outbreak has sickened more than 100 people since the start of the year.

"It's better not to serve those results than to lead people down what is like a recommendation rabbit hole," Ifeoma Ozoma, Pinterest's public policy and social impact manager, told the publication this week.

The World Health Organization recently named "vaccine hesitancy" as one of the biggest global health threats of 2019. The designation comes as the country

grapples with a resurgence of measles, a disease that was declared eliminated in 2000 by the CDC due to extensive use of the measles, mumps and rubella vaccine. More than 100 cases have cropped up since the beginning of the year — more cases than the United States saw in all of 2016.

Medical professionals and lawmakers have been pressuring companies like

Facebook and Google to take action against anti-vaccination content in the name of public safety. But while these companies agree they have a responsibility to protect the public, solutions have proven to be a challenge. While most companies have taken a more hands-off approach to the problem, citing free speech issues, Pinterest's tactic of banning all vac-

cine-related content stands out as a radical alternative, one that makes it tougher for users to find accurate information about vaccinations even as it seeks to protect them.

Since 2017, Pinterest has barred misinformation about health that might have "immediate and detrimental effects" on users' health and greater public safety. Along with anti-vaccination material, Pinterest has blocked misleading content about chronic and terminal illnesses, like bogus cancer cures. The site also actively looks for content that violates its community guidelines, evaluating it based on advice from institutions like the CDC, WHO and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The ban on all vaccination-related material is a temporary measure, Pinterest said, while the platform searches for a sustainable way to moderate it.

"We want Pinterest to be an inspiring place for people, and there's nothing inspiring about misinformation," Pinterest said in a statement to The Washington Post.

Social media platforms have been reluctant to crack

down on controversial content. Until late last week, Facebook had contended that most anti-vaccination content didn't violate its community guidelines for inciting "real-world harm." The social media giant, which has come under fire for how its algorithms can steer users toward misinformation, said removing such content wouldn't help raise awareness about the facts of vaccinations. Accurate counter-speech, Facebook argued, was a more productive safeguard.

But the company changed its stance after Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., wrote a letter to founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg asking how Facebook planned to protect users from misleading material about vaccinations. Schiff sent a similar letter to Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google, which is also under scrutiny about how its search engine and subsidiary YouTube promote potentially dangerous misinformation.

"We've taken steps to reduce the distribution of health-related misinformation on Facebook, but we know we have more to do," Facebook said in a statement to The Post last week.

# Insensitivity out; diversity in

Fashion struggles to keep pace with global expansion

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Retailers and top fashion brands like Gucci and Prada keep apologizing for products that smack of racial insensitivity.

The big question is: Why does it keep happening?

Experts say many of these fashion companies live in a sort of bubble and lack the diversity in their staff that could vet their fashions. They also blame the increasing pressures facing the industry to push products from the design board to the stores and online in weeks rather than months without taking time to thoroughly review products.

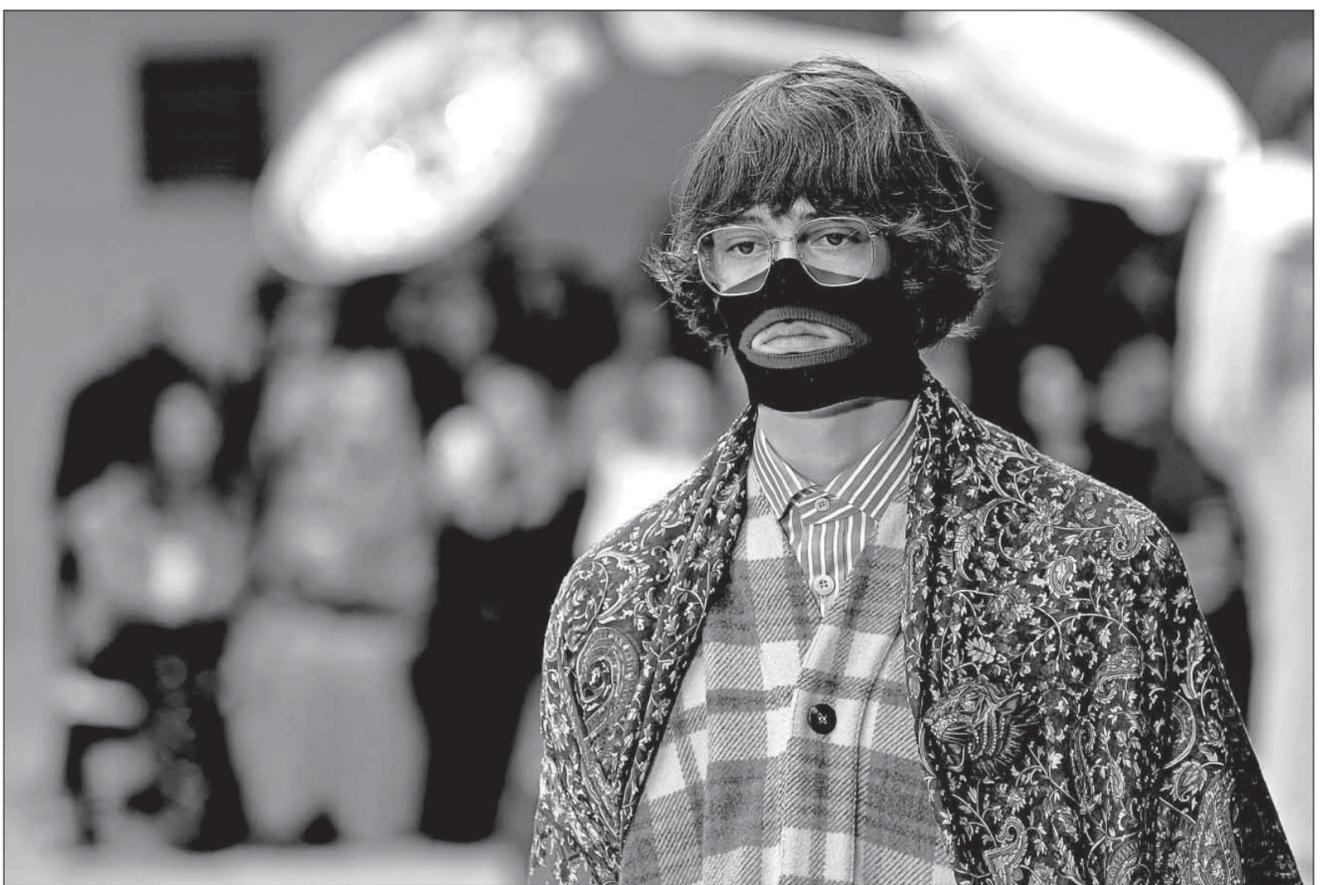
"There is such pressure on speed that there is no time for consideration," said Allen Adamson, co-founder of Metaforce, a marketing firm. "When you are moving this fast, there is no time for perspective."

Just as quickly as mistakes are made, so too are they amplified over social media as shoppers take to Instagram, Twitter and Facebook to voice complaints.

In the latest example, Katy Perry's fashion line this week pulled two types of shoes — which featured protruding eyes, nose and red lips — that critics likened to blackface. The singer and company said they were saddened that it was being compared to blackface and had envisioned the designs to be a nod to "modern art and surrealism."

Last week, Gucci removed a sweater off the market after complaints that the oversized collar designed to cover the face resembled blackface makeup.

In a statement posted on Twitter, Gucci offered a mea culpa and said that it planned to turn the incident "into a powerful learning moment for the Gucci team



ANTONIO CALANNI/AP

A model wears a face warmer reminiscent of blackface during an event in Milan, Italy, last year. A more recent gaffe prompted Gucci to publicly apologize.

and beyond."

The latest blunders followed apologies from Italian designer Prada, which said in December it was no longer selling a line of accessories that featured a character with brown skin and exaggerated red lips. And last year, Swedish retailer H&M pulled an ad that featured a black child donning a sweat shirt with the words "Coolest monkey in the jungle."

Experts say that companies are not keeping up with the pace and complexity of global expansion.

"The fact is, all retailers live in a global village today, whether they realize it or not," said Sonia Lapinsky, managing director in the retail practice at AlixPartners, a global consulting firm. "And even if massive, global movements like the

diversity movement and other 'woke' movements don't yet seem to be of the highest importance to all retailers, in every segment and in every corner of the planet, those that think that way are most likely doing so at their long-term peril."

Adheer Bahulkar, a partner at consultancy A.T. Kearney, agreed, saying that brands need to pay attention to issues that might not be noticed within their own culture but that are "highly sensitive in another culture."

Acknowledging their mistakes, some companies are now trying to rectify the problem. Gucci, for instance, announced it will hire a global director for diversity and inclusion, a newly created role. It also is promising to launch a scholarship program to

cultivate diverse design talent.

The announcement came after Gucci CEO Marco Bizzarri met in New York City's Harlem neighborhood with Dapper Dan, a well-known African-American designer, and other community members to hear their perspectives.

Prada announced it is creating a diversity council to "elevate voices of color within the company and fashion industry at large."

It said two Americans, artist Theaster Gates and film director Ava DuVernay, will chair the council. The group will work to develop "diverse talent" and develop more opportunities for students of color, the luxury fashion house said.

"Prada is committed to cultivating, recruiting and retaining diverse talent to

contribute to all departments of the company," said Miuccia Prada, CEO and lead creative director at Prada in a statement.

In the aftermath of its sweatshirt controversy, H&M put together a diversity and inclusion team headed by insider and lawyer Annie Wu with people from different departments. Last November, the company hired former Viacom executive Ezinne Kwubiri as head of inclusion and diversity for North America.

"We must admit that there is some truth in the fact that we have maybe been too centralized and that we need to challenge ourselves in an open and constructive way to get everyone, everywhere to be more culturally sensitive, racially aware, and more

critical of how the outside world might see what we do," Wu said in a corporate blog post last spring.

Still, putting some controls on the design team requires a balancing act, particularly with design-led fashion firms. It has to be done without hurting the creativity of the team, Lapinsky said.

Lapinsky predicts that offensive designs will continue to pass through the layers of designers and merchandisers until companies really see a big hit at the bottom line.

Wendy Liebmann, founder and CEO of WSL Strategic Retail, a retail consultancy firm, said diversity training and a new way of thinking has to be "embedded in the culture."

"It can't be at arms-length," she said.



ANDREW SELSKY/AP 2017

Anger has been building for years in Oregon, where some rents have gone up by as much as almost 100 percent.

## Oregon closer to mandatory rent controls

BY ANDREW SELSKY  
Associated Press

SALEM, Ore. — Faced with a housing shortage and skyrocketing rents, Oregon is poised to become the first state to impose mandatory rent controls, with a measure establishing tenant protections moving swiftly through the Legislature.

Many residents have testified in favor of the legislation, describing anxiety and hardship as they face higher rents. Some have gone up by as much as almost 100

percent — forcing people to move, stay with friends or even live in their vehicles.

The town of Medford recently authorized churches to offer car camping for the homeless on their parking lots. Cities across the West Coast are struggling with soaring housing prices and a growing homelessness problem.

A House committee Wednesday backed the measure, sending it to the full chamber for a vote as soon as next week. The Senate passed it last week.

"I look forward to signing the bill," Gov. Kate Brown, a Democrat, told reporters.

The committee rejected an amendment that would have exempted cities with populations under 150,000 and another that would have delayed the measure from becoming law until Jan. 1, 2020, instead of after Brown signs it.

"We've waited too long as it is, and there are too many people living in tents. It is an emergency," said Rep. Tawna Sanchez, a Portland Democrat and member of

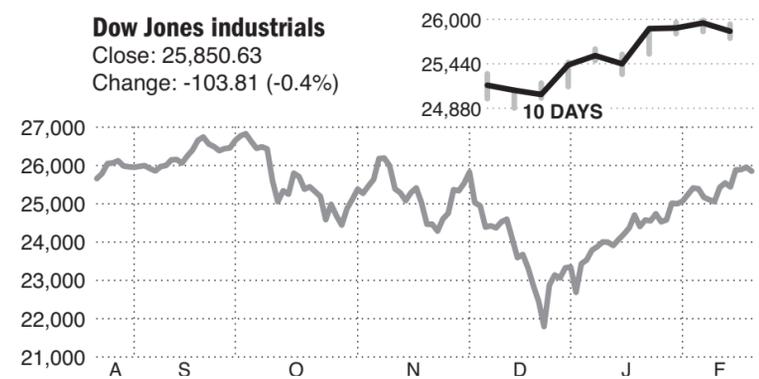
the House Committee on Human Services and Housing that endorsed the legislation.

Oregon ranked second to Vermont as the top moving destination in 2018, according to a study by United Van Lines, the largest U.S. household goods mover.

Lawmakers noted Oregon will be a pioneer in statewide rent control if the measure becomes law. New York has a statewide rent control law but cities can choose whether to participate.

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SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 19	30.00	30.66	29.90	30.49	+5.3
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 19	305.20	308.80	304.60	305.90	+7.0
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	Apr 19	57.24	57.61	56.64	56.96	-2.0
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 19	2.646	2.706	2.639	2.697	+0.061
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## LOCAL STOCKS

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STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	75.14	-0.40	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	108.98	+9.7	Mondelez Intl	O	48.41	+4.42
AbbVie Inc	N	78.75	-1.24	Equity Residential	N	73.86	+1.18	Morningstar Inc	O	127.22	+1.45
Allstate Corp	N	94.63	-0.43	Exelon Corp	N	48.49	+0.36	Motorola Solutions	N	138.39	-0.82
Aptargroup Inc	N	103.12	+0.86	First Indl RT	N	33.91	-0.08	NiSource Inc	O	26.44	+1.6
Arch Dan Mid	N	42.57	+0.60	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	37.99	+0.38	Nhrn Trust Co	O	62.69	-0.78
Baxter Intl	N	74.03	-1.0	Gallagher AJ	N	80.64	+1.5	Old Republic	O	21.10	-0.09
Boeing Co	N	417.58	-3.97	Grainger WW	N	309.59	-1.45	Packaging Corp Am	N	98.25	-2.47
Brunswick Corp	N	52.10	-1.9	GrubHub Inc	N	79.50	-2.18	Paylocity Hldg	O	87.25	+7.3
CBOE Global Markets	N	94.84	-3.1	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	103.70	-0.68	Stericycle Inc	O	45.05	-7.9
CDK Global Inc	O	58.04	+1.4	IDEX Corp	N	142.46	-0.71	Teleph Data	N	36.72	-0.09
CDW Corp	O	95.00	+2.1	ITW	N	143.22	-0.39	TransUnion	N	63.16	+1.2
CF Industries	N	43.99	-5.9	Ingredion Inc	N	93.76	+2.6	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.43	...
CME Group	O	176.49	+9.0	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	165.29	+1.01	US Foods Holding	N	35.49	-0.1
CNA Financial	N	45.90	+2.4	Kemper Corp	N	82.22	+0.4	USG Corp	N	43.24	+0.2
Caterpillar Inc	N	138.88	-1.43	Kraft Heinz Co	O	48.18	-0.08	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	308.02	+1.71
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	24.07	+0.4	LKQ Corporation	O	27.34	+0.37	United Contl Hldgs	O	88.84	+3.4
Deere Co	N	162.85	+2.97	Littelfuse Inc	O	189.34	+1.65	Ventas Inc	N	63.98	+6.5
Discover Fin Svcs	N	71.21	-0.1	MB Financial	O	45.66	-0.33	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	70.47	-1.33
Dover Corp	N	91.57	-5.1	McDonalds Corp	N	182.81	+2.32	Wintrust Financial	O	74.48	-1.16
Equity Commonwealth	N	32.78	-0.1	Middleby Corp	O	120.02	+1.34	Zebra Tech	O	199.82	-0.3

## MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Chesapck Engy	2.60	-0.15
Tahoe Resources Inc	3.64	-0.15
Gen Electric	10.03	-0.07
Ford Motor	8.71	-0.23
Bank of America	29.29	-1.12
Vipshop Hldgs Ltd	6.30	-1.01
Itau Unibanco Hldg	10.03	+0.7
Vale SA	12.03	-2.0
Gerdau SA	4.03	-2.3
EnCana Corp	6.88	-0.2
AT&T Inc	30.83	-0.2
Brist Myr Sqb	50.13	-1.17
CVS Health Corp	62.35	-1.87
Nokia Corp	6.15	+0.5
Ambev S.A.	4.87	+0.04
CocaCola Co	45.86	+0.7
Goldcorp Inc	11.51	-0.1
Kinross Gold	3.65	-0.15
PG&E Corp	19.40	+1.19
Eli Lilly	122.72	+0.6
Barrick Gold	13.32	-0.4
Freepor McMoran	13.02	-0.33
Snap Inc A	9.39	+1.5
Devon Energy	29.85	-0.42

## LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	171.66	+9.5
Alphabet Inc C	1096.97	-16.83
Alphabet Inc A	1104.21	-16.38
Amazon.com Inc	1619.44	-2.66
Apple Inc	171.06	-0.97
Bank of America	29.29	-1.12
Berkshire Hath B	205.33	-0.83
Exxon Mobil Corp	77.82	-0.71
Facebook Inc	160.04	-2.52
JPMorgan Chase	105.47	-2.2
Johnson & Johnson	135.42	-0.93
Microsoft Corp	109.41	+2.26
Pfizer Inc	42.14	-0.6
Procter & Gamble	99.78	+0.5
Royal Dutch Shell B	63.74	-0.86
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.36	-0.93
Unitedhealth Group	266.40	-3.11
Visa Inc	144.00	-0.73
WalMart Strs	99.39	-0.49

## LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	30.75	-0.19	+3.4
American Funds AmnrbalA m	26.48	-0.08	+3.8
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	46.77	-0.15	-4.2
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	59.56	-0.11	-2
American Funds FdMtlInvSA m	57.76	-0.28	+1.4
American Funds GrfAmrca m	47.51	-0.30	+2.9
American Funds IncAmrca m	21.90	-0.06	+1.7
American Funds InvCAMrca m	36.67	-0.22	-9
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	41.74	-0.10	+5
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	44.84	-0.11	+5.3
DFA EMktCorEq	20.73	-0.03	-15.5
DFA IntlCorEqIn	12.83	-0.05	-9.7
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.48	-0.03	+2.7
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	40.47	-0.14	-11.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	192.00	-1.09	+1.6
DoubleLine TTRetBd	10.45	-0.01	+3.9
Fidelity 500DxmsPrm	96.70	-0.34	+4.8
Fidelity Contrafund	12.15	-0.05	+2.9
Fidelity ContrafundK	12.16	-0.04	+3.1
Fidelity TTMktDxmsPrm	79.02	-0.28	+4.9
Fidelity USBDdxmsPrm	11.34	-0.03	+3.5
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.29	-	+4.0
Metropolitan West TTRetBd	10.47	-0.02	+3.3
PIMCO IncInstl	11.93	...	+3.8
PIMCO TTRetIns	10.01	-0.02	+3.0
Schwab SP500Dx	42.53	-0.15	+4.8
T. Rowe Price BCGR	108.65	-0.46	+7.2
T. Rowe Price GrStk	64.42	-0.29	+5.5
Vanguard 500DxAdmrl	256.94	-0.90	+4.7
Vanguard DivGrnv	26.80	-0.04	+9.9
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	72.91	-0.16	+4.8
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	77.57	-0.34	+5.1
Vanguard HCAdmrl	87.23	-0.82	+9.7
Vanguard InTrnGrAdm	9.52	-0.01	+3.8
Vanguard INTTEAdmrl	14.02	-0.01	+4.0
Vanguard InsdixIns	252.64	-0.87	+4.8
Vanguard InsdixInsPlus	252.66	-0.87	+4.8
Vanguard InstTSMInlPls	60.56	-0.21	+5.0
Vanguard MCDxAdmrl	196.32	-0.74	+3.7
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	134.25	-0.49	+5.7
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.51	-0.01	+2.8
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	73.97	-0.26	+6.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	30.36	-0.08	+1.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	18.19	-0.06	+1.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	33.19	-0.10	+1.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.40	-0.06	+9
Vanguard TBMdxAdmrl	10.51	-0.02	+3.5
Vanguard TBMdxInxs	10.51	-0.02	+3.5
Vanguard TtinBdxAdmrl	21.97	-0.01	+5.0
Vanguard TtinBdxInxs	32.97	-0.02	+5.6
Vanguard TtinSdxAdmrl	27.64	-0.08	-7.6
Vanguard TtinSdxInxs	110.52	-0.33	-7.5
Vanguard TtinSdxInsPlus	110.54	-0.34	-7.5
Vanguard TtinSdxInv	16.52	-0.05	-7.6
Vanguard TtSMdxAdmrl	69.50	-0.24	+5.0
Vanguard TtSMdxInxs	69.51	-0.25	+5.0
Vanguard TtSMdxInv	69.47	-0.24	+4.8
Vanguard WngtNAdmrl	68.46	-0.14	+4.1
Vanguard WlslyInAdmrl	61.94	-0.14	+4.7
Vanguard WndsrAdmrl	61.31	-0.24	+1.6

## TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	2.40	2.38
6-month disc	2.45	2.44
2-year	2.51	2.48
10-year	2.67	2.65
30-year	3.04	3.00

## SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1323.50	\$1343.30
Silver	\$15.791	\$16.157
Platinum	\$826.30	\$834.20

## INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.50
Discount Rate Primary	3.00
Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.62

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A U.S. Dollar buys...	
Argentina (Peso)	39.5609
Australia (Dollar)	1.4124
Brazil (Real)	3.7614
Britain (Pound)	0.7669
Canada (Dollar)	1.3226
China (Yuan)	6.7222
Euro	0.8821
India (Rupee)	71.190
Israel (Shekel)	3.6195
Japan (Yen)	110.68
Mexico (Peso)	19.2920
Poland (Zloty)	3.82
So. Korea (Won)	1126.46
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.81
Thailand (Baht)	31.23

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## OBITUARIES

MARVIN JACOBS 1923-2019

## Homebuilder's firm created 6,000-plus homes in suburbs

By BOB GOLDSBOROUGH  
Chicago Tribune

Marvin Jacobs oversaw a multigenerational, family-run firm that built more than 6,000 homes, many of them in Northbrook, Glenview and Morton Grove.

"He and his father developed a reputation for honesty in the product, and it didn't take many years before the name Jacobs became ... well-known in the north suburbs," said Jerry Levy, a longtime friend.

Jacobs, 95, died of complications from lung cancer Jan. 26 at his home, said his son, Keith, who is CEO of Deerfield-based Jacobs Cos. Marvin Jacobs had been a longtime resident of Northbrook.

Born in Chicago, Jacobs grew up in the Rogers Park neighborhood and graduated in 1941 from Senn High School, where he was a lineman on the football team. He started classes at Boston University before joining the Army during World War II, his son said. A paratrooper, Jacobs fought in the Battle of the Bulge, according to his family.

After the war he returned to Boston University and earned a bachelor's degree. Jacobs' father, Albert S. Jacobs, had started his homebuilding firm, then known as Albert S. Jacobs & Associates, in 1935, and after about a year of driving a delivery truck for None Better Ice Cream Co., Jacobs decided to join the family firm.

The Northbrook-based homebuilder grew as Chicago's northern suburbs expanded during the postwar



FAMILY PHOTO

Marvin Jacobs became president of the family business around 1960.

boom years, with acres of farmland turning into housing developments.

"He loved seeing something come from nothing — seeing an old building torn down and something beautiful put in its place, or seeing a vacant piece of property or a farmland turned into 100 houses that housed 400 people, with families being able to grow up there," Keith Jacobs said. "That's what his deal was."

"Everybody needed a home in those years, so they became pretty successful pretty quickly," Levy said. "He and his architects and designers developed some very beautiful properties."

Around 1960, Jacobs' father stepped back from the business and Jacobs became the firm's president. Over the 3½ decades, Jacobs continued to ride the suburban single-family development wave, erecting thousands of homes in the northern suburbs.

In 1987 the company changed its name to Jacobs Homes. Over the years,

among the firm's most noteworthy developments were Wildebroke on the Green in Northbrook and Hybernia in Highland Park. Probably Jacobs' favorite development, his son said, was the one containing Jacobs' own home: Waters Edge in Northbrook.

Jacobs' business sense and big-picture thinking contributed to his success, his son said.

"He was a master negotiator and a master visionary," his son said. "He looked at a farm property and could see beyond that and see development and the ability to build communities and build towns."

About 18 years ago, Jacobs retired and became chairman emeritus of the company, whose name was changed to Jacobs Cos. about 15 years ago, around the time that the firm moved to a corporate office in Deerfield.

Over the past decade, Jacobs also had spent increasing amounts of time at his second home in Florida, although "when he was in town, he made sure he came in to the office," Keith Jacobs said.

"He went to work every day until eight months ago," Keith Jacobs said.

In addition to his son, Jacobs is survived by his wife of 69 years, Patsy; two daughters, Marcee Kramer and Caryn Davis; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Shirley Homer. Another son, Kenneth, died in an accident in 1960.

Services were held.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

## Chicago Daily Tribune

ON FEBRUARY 22 ...

**In 1732** the first U.S. president, George Washington, was born at his parents' plantation in the Virginia colony.

**In 1819** Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

**In 1857** Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scout movement, was born in London. **Also in 1857** physicist Heinrich Hertz, discoverer of radio waves, was born in Hamburg, Germany.

**In 1879** Frank Winfield Woolworth opened a five-cent store in Utica, N.Y.

**In 1889** President Grover Cleveland signed a bill to admit the Dakotas, Montana and Washington state to the Union.

**In 1924** Calvin Coolidge delivered the first presidential radio broadcast from the White House.

**In 1967** more than 25,000 U.S. and South Vietnamese troops launched Operation Junction City, aimed at smashing a Viet Cong stronghold near the Cambodian border.

**In 1974** Pakistan recognized the independence of its former eastern province, Bangladesh.

**In 1976** U.N. troops handed over to the Egyptians the last 89 square miles of Sinai territory due them as the final phase of the Israeli-Egyptian troop disengagement agreement was implemented.

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**In 1980** the U.S. Olympic hockey team upset the Soviets at Lake Placid, N.Y., 4-3. (The U.S. team went on to win the gold medal.)

**In 1983** U.S. Rep. Harold Washington won Chicago's Democratic mayoral primary, edging out Mayor Jane Byrne and Cook County State's Attorney Richard M. Daley, on his way to becoming the city's first African-American mayor.

**In 1984** a 12-year-old Houston boy known to the public only as "David," who had spent most his life in a plastic bubble because he had no immunity to disease, died 15 days after being removed from the bubble for a bone-marrow transplant.

**In 1987** pop art pioneer Andy Warhol died in New York; he was 58.

**In 1990** former President Ronald Reagan's videotaped testimony for the trial of former national security adviser John Poindexter was released in Washington; in his deposition, Reagan said he never had "any inkling" his aides were secretly arming the Nicaraguan Contras.

**In 1991** President George H.W. Bush and America's Gulf War allies gave Iraq 24 hours to begin withdrawing from Kuwait, or face a final all-out attack. (Iraq denounced the "shameful" U.S. ultimatum, aligning itself with a Soviet peace plan that the United States had

rejected.)

**In 1994** the Justice Department charged 31-year CIA veteran Aldrich Ames and his wife, Rosario, with selling U.S. national security secrets to the Soviet Union. (Ames later was sentenced to life in prison; his wife received a five-year prison term.)

**In 1999** Levi Strauss, falling victim to a fashion generation gap, announced it was closing 11 plants.

**In 2001** a U.N. war crimes tribunal convicted three Bosnian Serbs standing trial on charges of rape and torture in the first case of wartime sexual enslavement to go before an international court.

**In 2002** cartoon animator Chuck Jones died in Newport Beach, Calif.; he was 89.

**In 2005** a powerful earthquake struck central Iran, killing more than 600 people. **Also in 2005** Buckingham Palace said Queen Elizabeth II would not attend the civil marriage ceremony of her son Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles — but that her absence should not be interpreted as a snub.

**In 2006** thieves stole \$96 million from a Bank of England cash depot 30 miles southeast of London in Britain's largest cash robbery.

**In 2011** Rahm Emanuel, a former congressman who served in the White House under two presidents — including as chief of staff to President Barack Obama — was elected mayor of Chicago, winning 55 percent of the vote to avoid a runoff election.

**In 2013** the Chicago Blackhawks defeated the San Jose Sharks 2-1 to set the NHL record for consecutive games without a regulation loss to start a season with win No. 17.

**In 2017** NASA and a Belgian-led research team announced the discovery of seven Earth-size planets orbiting a nearby star and said these new worlds could hold life.

## WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

**ILLINOIS**  
Feb. 21  
Lotto ..... 01 29 31 39 41 51 / 02  
Lotto jackpot: \$10.5M  
Pick 3 midday ..... 683 / 9  
Pick 4 midday ..... 3518 / 9  
Lucky Day Lotto midday .....  
10 11 18 30 45  
Pick 3 evening ..... 033 / 0  
Pick 4 evening ..... 3110 / 9  
Lucky Day Lotto evening .....  
11 19 31 38 40

Feb. 22 Mega Millions: \$224M  
Feb. 23 Powerball: \$304M

**WISCONSIN**  
Feb. 21  
Pick 3 ..... 913  
Pick 4 ..... 0246  
Badger 5 ..... 02 05 10 11 30  
SuperCash ..... 01 15 25 26 29 32

**INDIANA**  
Feb. 21  
Daily 3 midday ..... 972 / 3  
Daily 4 midday ..... 3262 / 3  
Daily 3 evening ..... 697 / 0  
Daily 4 evening ..... 0237 / 0  
Cash 5 ..... 02 20 24 34 35

**MICHIGAN**  
Feb. 21  
Daily 3 midday ..... 956  
Daily 4 midday ..... 5022  
Daily 3 evening ..... 717  
Daily 4 evening ..... 7182  
Fantasy 5 ..... 09 12 17 33 39  
Keno ..... 01 05 06 09 14 16  
23 30 32 44 48 49 50 51  
55 56 57 58 62 67 74 78

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## Death Notices

## Balin, Rosalie

Rosalie Balin, nee Pink, 82, beloved wife of Richard H. Balin; loving mother of Barry Kreiter, Pamela Cohen Berz, David (Tami) Balin, Lauren Balin and Kim Balin; caring mother-in-law of Cheryl Kreiter; cherished grandma of Rachel Kreiter, Elizabeth Kreiter and Jacob Balin; devoted daughter of the late Fannie and Allen Pink; dear sister of Fred (the late Alice) Pink; treasured aunt, cousin and friend of many. Graveside service Monday 10 AM at Shalom Memorial Park, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Anshe Emet Synagogue, www.ansheemet.org, or the American Lung Association, www.lung.org. For information, Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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## Barcelona, Regina Marie

Regina Marie Barcelona (nee Hemesath), age 94, formerly of Ossian, Iowa. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Loving mother of Michael J. (Lynette), Janet M. (the late William Martin) Houseman, Guy W. (Janelle) and Russell J. (Jennifer). Dear grandmother of 14 Great-grandmother of 10. Funeral Monday 9:15am from RICHARD J MODELLE FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES, 12641 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen to Our Lady of the Woods Church, Mass 10am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Visitation 3pm to 7:30pm. Member of Brother Rice and St. Denis Mother's Club, Rosary Club at St. Elizabeth Seton Church and Orland Park Senior Club. In lieu of flowers donations to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson, Chicago, IL 60607 appreciated. 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfhn.com.

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## Brage, Erik Brynolf

Erik Brage, 91, peacefully passed away Thursday, February 14, 2019 at Birchwood Nursing Home in Chicago, IL. He is survived by his children, two daughters in Sweden, Sharon and Christina Brogie and four children here, Katrina, Michael, Arne and Anders (Laurie). Erik was predeceased by his wife, Mildred. Erik was a chef for many years at his own restaurants and then later an executive chef at private country clubs in the northwest suburbs of Chicago. In addition to his children, Erik is survived by 11 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

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## Bukas, Lillian M. "Blondie"

Lillian M. "Blondie" Bukas (nee Faltin), beloved wife of the late Bruno S. Bukas; loving mother of April Bukas, Bruce (Anne) Bukas and Scott (Debra) Bukas; devoted grandmother of Jessica (Brandon) Bealsey, Shawn, Hayden, Rachel, Matthew and Kayla; dearest Sister of Dorothy Kalchbrenner, Irene Micek, Richard Faltin, Robert Faltin, Raymond Faltin, Eileen Meyer and the late Joseph Faltin, Louise Fischer and Elizabeth Slaga; cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday 12:30P.M. until 6:00 P.M. Funeral Service Monday 11:00 A.M. at **Lawn Funeral Home** 7909 State Road (5500W) Burbank IL 60459 Interment St. Casmir Cemetery Funeral info (708) 636-2320.



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## Domanski-Erdman, Mark

Mark Domanski-Erdman, 67. Beloved father of Erin, Sarah, and Rachel Erdman. Former husband of Dr. Dorota Domanski-Erdman. Son of survivors of Nazi persecution in Poland - the late Henia and late Marion Domanski-Erdman. Mark was a modern renaissance man - with a passion for food, travel, culture, history, and the arts. Mark was an outspoken feminist, and believer in social justice. He devoted most of his life to developing networking relationships and friendships around the world. The last three decades of his life were spent with his second family at National Beef. Mark will be remembered for his unique sense of humor and inspiring spirit. Service Sunday 2PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park. Memorials in his memory to HIAS, 216 West Jackson St., Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60606, www.hiaschicago.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfiinfo.com

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## Eberhardt, Wilhelm

Wilhelm Eberhardt, age 88  
Beloved husband of the late Elenora nee Gabriel. Devoted father of the late Josef (Kathy) Eberhardt. Cherished papa of Gabriella (Mathew) Mullenix & Josef Eberhardt. Loving great papa of Zachary, Mercedes, Chasity, Verity, & Rylee. Proud member of Local 853. Visitation Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Family and friends will gather Monday, February 25, 2019 at the **Schmaedeke Funeral Home**, 10701 S. Harlem Ave, Worth, IL. for Chapel Prayers at 9:00 AM. Mass 10:00 AM at St. Gerald Church, 9310 55th Court, Oak Lawn, IL. 60453. Interment Resurrection Cemetery, Justice, IL. For information 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com

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## Fahy, Nicholas B.

Nicholas B. Fahy, age 95 Formerly of Ballindooly, County Galway, Ireland. Beloved husband of the late Eileen nee Moriarty. Devoted father of Marian Fahy, Bernadette Fahy (Robert Perlstein), Eileen (Sam) Gurevitz, Patricia Fahy (Wayne Bequette), the late Stephen (Barbara) Fahy, William (Mary) Fahy, Richard (Julie) Fahy, and Jacqueline (Christopher) Jones. Cherished papa to R. Nicholas, Maire, Margaret, Victoria, Brendan, Molly, Liam, Bridget, Eileen, Kathleen, Will, Nick, & Mikey. Devoted son of the late Stephen and Sarah nee Walsh Fahy. Preceded in death by many brothers & sisters. Survived by his brother Paddy Fahy, Galway, Ireland. Fond brother-in-law and uncle of many. Visitation Sunday 3:00-8:00 PM. Chapel Prayers 9:00 AM, Monday, February 25, 2019 from the **Schmaedeke Funeral Home**, 10701 S. Harlem Ave, Worth to St. John Fisher Church, 10234 S. Washtenaw, Chicago, Mass 10:00 AM Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, in lieu of flowers donations to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge Ave, Chicago, IL. 60660 or Charity of choice appreciated. For information 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com

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## Fields, Robert C.

Robert C. Fields, 98, formerly of Tipton and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, passed away on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at Maple Knoll Village in Cincinnati, Ohio after a short illness. Bob was born August 18, 1920 in Tipton, Iowa, the second son of Forrest Filson Fields and Frieda Werling Fields. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 11:00



AM at Fry Funeral Home in Tipton. Visitation will be held on Friday, February 22 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Fry Funeral Home, Tipton, Iowa. Bob was educated in the Tipton Consolidated Schools, graduating from high school in 1938. He worked the next three years at a local dry cleaning establishment. On October 26, 1941 he married Velma Ohlsen of Olin at the First Methodist Church in Palmyra, Missouri. Bob worked the next year for AT&T Long Lines Division in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa. During that year he enlisted in the United States Army Air Force, being called to active duty in January, 1943 as an Aviation Cadet. He qualified for pilot training, spending the next 40 weeks in Santa Ana, CA Glendale, AZ and Pecos, TX, graduating at Pecos in March 1944 as a Pilot Second Lieutenant. During the balance of his time in service Bob was a Flight Instructor in the West Coast Flying Command. His most unusual experience during this period was his assignment as a Flight Instructor for a squadron of Chinese pilots from Chiang Kai Shek's Air Force, instructing them in instrument flying and aerobatics prior to their receiving B-25 and P-51 aircraft upon their return to China.

Upon discharge from the USAAF in October, 1945, Bob enrolled in engineering at Iowa State College, graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering in June of 1949. Bob was hired by R.R.Donnelley & Sons Co. prior to graduation in June 1949 starting a 36 year career with this fine printing firm. He started as a manufacturing trainee and ended up as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors. He served on the board from 1971 until 1985. He spent 13 years in the Crawfordsville, Indiana division, being named Division Director and a Vice-President of the Corporation in 1958. In 1963 he was named Director of the Chicago Manufacturing Division. In 1964, he was assigned a sales division and became a member of General Management of the company. He was in charge of all sales and manufacturing operations from 1974-1981. He retired from day to day operations at the end of 1982.

Bob attended the 40th Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School in 1963. He was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Iowa State University Foundation in 1971; Remaining an Emeritus Member until his death. He received an engineering achievement award from Iowa State in 1983.

He was a Director of the Indiana Manufacturing Association, Illinois State Chamber of Commerce and Junior Achievement of Chicago at various times during his years at Donnelley. Bob & Velma purchased a winter retirement home on the La Quinta, CA Country Club in 1980 and spent the next 24 winters there. Bob was President of the La Quinta Country Club for two years, 1991 & 1992. He was elected a Director of the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic in 1991. He played in the golf tournament for three years. They started their summer retirement years at their homestead in Downers Grove, IL, moved to Oak Brook, IL in 1985, to Fort Collins, CO in 1990, to Colorado Springs in 1995, and to Cottage Grove Place in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

In January 2009, Bob was married to Marianne White Moon, a longtime friend of the family dating back to 1949.

Bob was preceded in death by his first wife Velma, his son David, his parents, and his 5 brothers, John, Richard, Keith, Henry and James; and his sister, Mary Jean Hammer.

He is survived by one son Michael and wife Lewanda of Laporte, CO and David's wife Laura of Adams, WI. Two Sisters, Ann Edge (John) of Cave Creek, AZ and Carol Jean Fields of Tipton, IA.

Four grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Bob and his family enjoyed many wonderful vacation experiences, fishing and visiting many of our national parks. Bob felt he had the opportunity to work with the finest people in the world, his fellow employees, his customers and suppliers. He felt deeply of the strong support Velma gave him throughout his career and his retirement. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Iowa State University Foundation, Fields Engineering Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 2230, Ames, Iowa 50010.

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## Garcia, Graciela

Graciela Garcia, beloved wife of Antonio for 71 years. Loving mother of Eumelia "Maggie" (Efrain) Vega, Antonio (Elizabeth), Maria De Los Angeles and Ric (the late Martha Gail) Garcia; devoted daughter of the late Rogelio and Francisca Fontela; dear grandmother of 12 and great-grandmother of eight; sister of the late Mercedes, Rogelio and Ricardo. Visitation Sunday 3 - 8 PM at **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**, SW corner of Mannheim & Roosevelt Roads, Hillside/Westchester. Prayers Monday 10:00 a.m. from funeral home to St. Simeon Church, Bellwood. Mass 11:00 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Funeral Info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.

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## Gesior, George P.

Of Waukesha died Tues., Feb. 19, 2019 at age 58. He was born in Chicago, IL on Aug. 26, 1960. George never stopped pouring love and energy into his marriage with his loving wife Cathy (nee Gregor) and their children, Andy (Sarah) Gesior, Luke (Jen) Gesior, Felicia (Kevin) Gesior and Maria Gesior, his parents Augustyn and Teresa Gesior, sister Eli (Doug) Patejunas, brothers, Roman (Cheryl) Gesior and Joe (Anne) Gesior, and Basia (David) Blasier. He is further survived by his mother-in-law Bozica Gregor, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Visitation Mon., Feb. 25th from 9:30AM until the 1PM funeral Mass at St. William Catholic Church in Waukesha, WI. In lieu of flowers, memorials are appreciated to Peak Nordic Ski Club or the National Forest Foundation. Visit [www.ranledable.com](http://www.ranledable.com) for the complete obituary.

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## Haack, Richard W.

Richard W. Haack, loving husband of the late Ruth M. Haack, beloved father of Karl R. Haack and Laura M. Haack, cherished brother of Shirley Kramer, Karen Schroeder, Robert Haack and Carol Kotlarz, dear uncle of many nieces and nephews; Richard was a retired police officer in Northlake, IL where he served for over 25 years, a Korean war Veteran, a graduate of Triton, Elmhurst, Lewis College and Northeastern University, listed in "Who's in America" and a proud member of German American Police Association, American Legion and Live it Up Club.

Visitation: Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 2:30 pm to 8 pm, Funeral Service: Monday, February 25, 2019 at 12 pm at the Northlake Funeral Home, 140 E North Ave, Northlake, IL 60164. Interment: Fairview Memorial Park. [www.northlakefuneral.com](http://www.northlakefuneral.com) 708-562-0044

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## Jenkins, Richard

Richard Jenkins, 84, died on February 17, 2019, after a brief illness. He is survived by his children, Mark (Lynn), Paul (Ellen), Laura (Nathaniel), Peter, and Thomas (Jill), his grandchildren, Christopher (Rachel), Emmett, Cecelia, Caroline, Matthew, Claire, Harry, Teddy, Ruth, Molly, Colin and Sara, and his great-grandchildren, Addison and Elsie. A funeral Mass will be held at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, March 23, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. Donations may be made to Catholic Charities USA at [www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org).

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## Kaczkowski, Marie

Marie Kaczkowski, age 89, beloved wife of the late Tadeusz; loving mother of Elizabeth Gray, Richard (Kathryn) and Mark (Janet); devoted grandmother of John, Alexander, Anne, Nicholas and Eve. Visitation at the Skaja Terrace Funeral Home 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave. Niles Friday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Funeral Saturday 9:15 am. to St. John Brebeuf Church for Mass at 10:00 am. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Info. 847 966-7302 or [www.skajafuneralhomes.com](http://www.skajafuneralhomes.com)

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## Kain, Dorothy Adelle

Dorothy Adelle Kain, 82, of Palatine, formerly of Des Plaines, was born on Aug. 2, 1936 and passed away on Feb. 13, 2019. Arrangements were entrusted to **Davenport Family Funeral Home and Crematory**, Barrington. For information, please call the funeral home at 847-381-3411 or visit [www.davenportfamily.com](http://www.davenportfamily.com) where friends may leave an online condolence message for the family.

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## Kawa, Don J.

Don J. Kawa Age 63 Late of Blue Island. Beloved son of the late Edward & Eugenia Kawa. Dear brother of Steven (Loretta) Kawa and the late Gerald (Shirley) Kawa. "Ultimate" uncle of Christine (Ismael) Zamora, Steven (Sandra) Kawa, Gerald Kawa Jr, & Meagan Kawa. Great uncle of Zenon, Corey, Malori & Rachel. Longtime employee of the U.S. Post Office. Don's family gives a special Thank You to former caregivers Julie Baumgarten and Candice & Sarah from Kenosha. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Aurora at Home Hospice Kenosha/Racine Team 116 N. Dodge St. Burlington, WI 53105. Funeral Monday 10:30 AM from the **Hickey Memorial Chapel** 2429 W. 127th St. Blue Island to St. Benedict Church for Mass at 11:00 AM. Private interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 2 - 6 PM.

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## Kolodziej, Angeline

Angeline Kolodziej, age 92, was a resident of Wauconda, IL. Angeline was the beloved wife of the late Frank; loving mother of Lillian (August) Battaglia, Marsha (Donald) Fitzgibbons, Kristine (Thomas) Senstrom and the late Leonard; cherished grandmother of Anne (Myles) Dannhausen, Sean (Laura) Fitzgibbons, Kelly Fitzgibbons and Frances Battaglia; dear sister of Paulina Kazmierski. Angeline was born October 26, 1926 in Poland and passed away Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at Journeycare Hospice in Barrington, IL. Angeline was a member of the Polish National Alliance. Visitation will be Saturday, February 23, 2019, from 8:30 am to time of prayers at 9:30 am, proceeding to Transfiguration Parish 348 W. Mill St., Wauconda, IL 60084, for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 am. Entombment will follow at All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials are appreciated to Journeycare Hospice 405 Lake Zurich Rd., Barrington, IL 60010 (847-381-5599). Funeral information: 847-526-2115 and sign the guest book at: [www.kisselburgwaucondafuneralhome.com](http://www.kisselburgwaucondafuneralhome.com).

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## O'Connor, Rosaire

Rosaire O'Connor, nee Gennuso, of Downers Grove, formerly of Oak Park and River Forest, age 85; beloved wife of the late James J., Sr. loving mother of James (Margaret), Michael (Mary Beth), Mary (Mike) Cook, Daniel (Marianne), David and the late Catherine O'Connor; proud grandmother of Beth (Matt), James III (LaTese), Caitlin, Michael (Kristin), Daniel (Jacquelyn), Brian (Ashley), Mark, Mary, Megan, Danny, Matthew, Patrick, Kevin, Gavin, Lauren, Jack, Alex, Regan, MacKenzie and Maggie; great-grandmother of Joseph, Bennett, James IV, Callie, Ryan, Teagan and Quinn; dear sister of S. Louis (Dorothy) Gennuso and Peter (Carol) Gennuso; fond aunt of many. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. All to meet Monday at Divine Infant Church, 1600 Newcastle Ave., Westchester for 10:00 a.m. funeral mass. Interment Private at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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## Ovens, Joan

Joan Ovens of Downers Grove, formerly of Elmwood Park, age 82. Beloved wife of the late Donald Ovens; loving mother of Catherine Denise (Kevin Venechuk) Morask; dear half-sister of Doyle Shipman; former wife of Norman F. Morask. Member of Women of the Moose #973 and American Legion Auxiliary. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Funeral Monday 10:00 a.m. Chapel Service at funeral home. Interment Mt. Emblem Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to COPD Foundation ([www.copdfoundation.org](http://www.copdfoundation.org)) appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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## Owen, Rachel

Rachel Owen, nee Anderson, 61, of Glenview, passed away on February 20th, 2019 after a courageous fight to cervical cancer. Beloved wife of Donald Owen for 34 years. Loving mother of Clinton (Krystyna) Owen and Katie (Patrick) Winstead. Adored "GaGa" of Colin and Jacob. Loving sister-in-law and friend to many. Rachel worked as a secretary for School District 36 in Winnetka for approximately 20 years. She will forever be remembered for her kindness and loving personality. A celebration of Rachel's life will be held on Saturday, March 2nd, 6 PM to 9 PM, at Pinestripes, 1150 Willow Road, Northbrook. Info 847-901-4012 or visit Rachel's memorial at [www.smithcorcoran.com](http://www.smithcorcoran.com)

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## Pavnica, Stephanie Ellen

Survived by her devoted husband of 30 years, Mark Erickson, loving children Andrew John and Cassidy Erickson, beloved parents Andrew and Jeanie Pavnica, siblings, Janet (Brian) Casciari, Daniel (Lynn) Pavnica, Maria (Randy) Wright, Father in law, John (Dorothy) Erickson, Sisters in Law, Lynda (Craig) Ramsey, Julie Erickson, numerous nieces and nephews, and loving companions, Grizzly and Scotty. Stephanie was born in Joliet, Illinois, graduated from Dirksen Junior High School, Joliet Central High School (1979), University of Iowa, 1983 (BS Nursing), University of Illinois Chicago, 1991 (DDS). Stephanie's love and commitment to her family was her top priority. Stephanie established a private dental practice in Carol Stream, Illinois, Park Dental Care, where she practiced until June 2018. She touched many lives with her passion for dentistry and her personal attention to each patient. She started each day with an early morning run, no matter the weather conditions. She participated in many ½ and full marathons, often recruiting her family and friends to join her in her quest to complete another race. Stephanie was called home to our Lord, doing what she loved, cruising the seas with her family.

Funeral services for Stephanie Pavnica will be held Friday, February 22, 2019 at 10:30 AM at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, 701 Plainfield Road, Darien, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers memorials in her name can be made to: NET Research Foundation, (Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation), [netrf.org](http://netrf.org)

## Riley, Gary M.

Gary M. Riley, age 71, of Homewood. U.S. Army Veteran of Viet Nam War. Beloved husband of Ellen Riley nee Kane. Loving father of Martin Riley and Terri Riley. Cherished grandfather of Liz. Former Sears employee. Graduate of Campion H.S. in Prairie Du Chien, WI. and Loras College. Resting at the Tews-Ryan Funeral Home, 18230 Dixie Hwy. Homewood Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service at 12:00 noon. Interment with Military Honors Tuesday at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. For additional information 708 798-5300 or [www.tews-ryanfh.com](http://www.tews-ryanfh.com)

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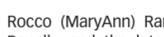
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## Ryan, Annette A.

Annette Arlene Ryan, nee Ranallo, 80, of Oak Park, Illinois, passed away gently on February 14, 2019, with family at her side. We will miss her daily. Loving mother of Denise (Tim) Saviano, Kerry (Tim) Riordan, and the late Ann Marie (Rich) Suda; proud grandmother of Katie, Maddie, and Anna Saviano, Tim III, Connor, and Sean Riordan; cherished sister of



Rocco (MaryAnn) Ranallo, the late Gabriel (Polly) Ranallo and the late Richard (Lore) Ranallo; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews; and cherished daughter of Rocco and Anna Ranallo who predeceased her. Above all, Annette was unconditionally loving, kind, and resourceful. She enjoyed family gatherings, music, and flowers. For over 30 years, Annette was a valued employee at Northern Trust in Chicago. In recent years, she thrived at The Oak Park Arms. The family will greet loved ones at the Countryside Funeral Home in Bartlett, Illinois, at 950 S. Bartlett Rd., on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at 11:00 am until the memorial service at 1:00 pm. See [www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com](http://www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com). Annette will be interred beside her parents at a private family service at St. Joseph Cemetery. Please consider a memorial donation to help families prevent and/or recover from domestic violence by giving to Sarah's Inn in Oak Park, Illinois, [www.sarahsinn.org](http://www.sarahsinn.org).

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## Smith, Timothy J.

Timothy J. Smith, age 53, of Hinckley, formerly of Bolingbrook. Beloved husband of Michelle Smith (nee Hanson) for a wonderful 30 years. Loving father of Kyle, Elizabeth, Kelly and David Smith. Devoted grandfather "Hun" of Austin Smith. Dear brother of Tina (Art) Peterson, Tammy (Dan) Abshear, Tamara (Todd) Donald, and Trisha (Glenn) Carter. Loving son-in-law of James F. Hanson and Loretta (the late David) Beinhoff. Cherished brother-in-law of James Hanson, Thomas Hanson, Phillip (Tami) Hanson, Nicki (Greg Klyczek) Klyczek Hanson, Marie (Ron) Nolte, and Elizabeth "Biz" (Dan) Lorenty. Fond cousin, uncle, and friend of many. Tim was preceded in death by his parents, Johnnie and Carol Smith. Tim left a lasting impression on everyone who had the chance to meet him. He was kind, loving, and caring. Tim was a Godly man; he loved the Lord. He was greatly loved by his church family, and he remained involved at the church for as long as he was capable. He loved his family and the Lord with all his heart. Visitation 3:00 to 9:00 PM Friday, February 22nd at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 301 75th St., Downers Grove. Meet at 9:30 AM Saturday, February 23rd for continued visitation until time of 10:00 AM Service directly at Woodridge Baptist Church, 6613 Taylor Dr., Woodridge. Interment to follow at Concordia Cemetery, Forest Park. For information: 630-964-6500 or [hjfunerals.com](http://hjfunerals.com)

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## Stoecki, Jakob

Jakob Stoecki, age 87. Beloved husband of Pauline; loving father of Jake; dear brother of the late Josef (Hildegard); fond uncle of Steven. Visitation Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3-8pm at **Matz Funeral Home** 410 E Rand Rd. Mt Prospect. Funeral Monday, 9:15 am to St. Zachary Church, Mass 10am. Interment All Saints Cemetery. 847-394-2336

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## Udoni, Robert Otto

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## Vincenti, Anthony P.

Anthony P. Vincenti Jr., U.S. Army Veteran. Loving husband of the late Arlene Vincenti. Beloved father of Lawrence Vincenti, Jeannine (Donald) Blasing, and David Vincenti; cherished grandfather of Zach, Chase, and Ava. Fond brother of Frank Vincenti, Leo Vincenti, Mary Alice (Ron) Weber, and the late Lawrence Vincenti. Also nieces and nephews. Funeral Monday, 9:15 AM from **Modell Funeral Home**, 7710 S Cass Ave., Darien to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Mass 10:00 AM. Visitation Sunday 3 PM - 7 PM. Interment Queen of Heaven. In lieu of flowers donations to the Society of the Little Flower appreciated. For funeral info (630) 852-3595 or [www.modelldarien.com](http://www.modelldarien.com)

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## Vuchetich, James B.

James B. Vuchetich, WWII Army Veteran, age 98 of Brookfield. Beloved husband of the late Valerie B. Vuchetich, nee Kacprowski; brother of late Edward Vuchetich, Rudolph Vuchetich, Peter Vuchetich, John Vuchetich, Ann Thrash and Mary Look; uncle of many nieces and nephews. James was a retired electrical engineer from Northrop Grumman where he worked more than 30 years. He enjoyed reading and tending to his garden. Visitation Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3 P.M. to 8 P.M. and Monday, February 25, 2019 from 10 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at Hitzeman Funeral Home, Ltd., 9445 West 31st Street, Brookfield, IL 60513. Funeral Monday 10:30 A.M. to St. Louise de Marillac Church, La Grange Park. Mass 11 A.M. Entombment Resurrection Cemetery, Justice. Information 708-485-2000 or [www.HitzemanFuneral.com](http://www.HitzemanFuneral.com)

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## Wall, Ervin A 'Erv'

Ervin "Erv" A. Wall, 94, passed away peacefully Tuesday at the Illinois Veterans Home in Manteno. Beloved husband of the late Rose (nee Kieta); Loving father of Robert (Masoumeh), Joseph (Betty), Richard (Leslie) Wall and Dianne (Keith) Harvey; Devoted grandfather of Rob, Jessica (Fiancee Frank), Craig (Fiancee D.J.), Dana Wall, Sarah, Lindsay Harvey, and Carla (Dan) Gorman; Cherished great-grandfather of Dominic Harvey; Fond brother of Florence (Late Dr. T.B.) Gasior, Eugene (Evelyn) Wall, the late Ray (Late Helen) Wall and the late Dorothy Dombro. Former owner of Erv's Finer Foods, and retired salesman at Frito Lay. Army Air Force veteran of WWII. Member of the Bremen V.F.W. Post 2791 and the Tinley Park American Legion Post 615. Visitation Sunday, 2-9 PM at the **Brady-Gill Funeral Home**, 16600 S. Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park. Funeral Monday, 10:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Illinois Veterans Home, One Veterans Drive, Manteno, IL 60950 would be appreciated. Info 708-614-9900 or [www.bradygill.com](http://www.bradygill.com)



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## Widelski, Wallace S.

Wallace S. Widelski, age 72, of South Holland, IL, passed away, suddenly, on Monday, February 18, 2019. Beloved husband of Susan Widelski, nee Rzab. Loving father of Wallace M. (Stacy) Widelski. Devoted "grampa" of Charleigh and Scarlett Widelski. Dear brother of Thomas (Barbara) Widelski, Mary (Craig) Vinke, Margi (Roland) Vuletick, Stephen (Jan) Widelski and Martha (Tony) Landini. Cherished uncle to many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Wallace G. and Mary Louise Widelski, nee Morehouse. Wally was a lifelong Notre Dame fan and baseball fan. He served the Village of South Holland as Director of Parks and Recreation for many years. He was a member of the South Holland Lions Club. Wally was also a mentor, friend, and coach to many. He was loved and will be dearly missed. Visitation Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. at **Smits, DeYoung-Vroegh Funeral Home** 649 E. 162nd St. (Rt.6/159th St.) South Holland, IL. Prayer service and eulogy, Monday, February 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the funeral home leaving for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Ghost Catholic Church 700 E. 170th St., South Holland, IL, with Rev. Anthony Talarico officiating. In memory of Wally, any financial gifts received will be added to the college funds that he started for his granddaughters. For more information please call 708-333-7000 or visit our online guestbook and obituary at [www.SMITSFH.com](http://www.SMITSFH.com).

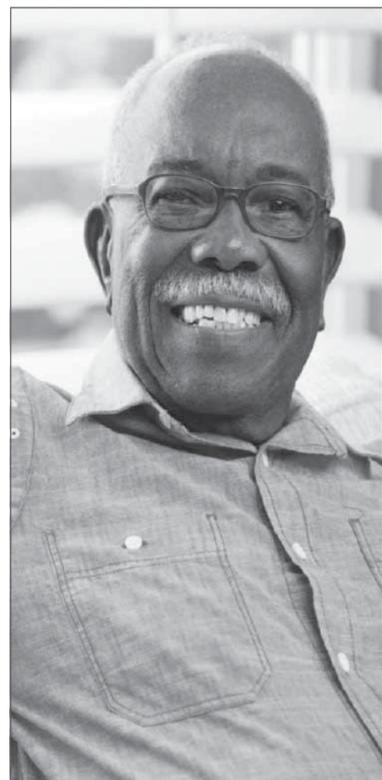
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## Zaglifa, Ruth R.

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**BLACKHAWKS**

# The Kane event

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD | Chicago Tribune

We interrupt the Blackhawks' most thrilling playoff race in years to focus on the extraordinary feats of one player. Gee, who could that be?

**Patrick Kane** has shared the limelight with the team during its resurgence over the last month, but for one day let us put aside the playoff race and look at the awards, records and milestones Kane will be chasing over the season's final 21 games.

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Patrick Kane celebrates after scoring a goal Monday against the Senators.

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 ■ Kane, a Parrothead, has been friends with Jimmy Buffett since 2010. **Page 6**

## Brewers fans try in vain to hold Miller

Cubs backers change vibe when they trek north

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The Brewers recently held their second annual presale of Cubs game tickets for Wisconsin-residents only, a marketing gimmick created to give Cheeseheads first dibs at the teams' 10 meetings at Miller Park this season.

"If last season's Game 163 taught us anything, it's that every single game matters — especially in a rivalry like this," the team said in a statement. "And, while we don't dislike all Cubs fans, we just really prefer when Miller Park is packed to the brim with Brewers faithful. So, we're calling upon all Wisconsinites to fill up Miller Park every time the Cubs come to town this season."

It's a nice sentiment, but the



**PAUL SULLIVAN**  
*On the Cubs*

caravan of Cubs fans is coming, and there's nothing the Brewers can do to stop them. Even the man whose face accompanied the Brewers' campaign on Twitter knows it's a losing battle.

"I don't think we will," manager Craig Counsell said. "It's a number problem. It's a 7-1 (population ratio) or whatever. It's tough to beat 7-1."

But the Brewers figure to sell more season tickets after their division-winning season, which combined with the presale should put the majority of tickets in their fans' hands every game.

"Milwaukee does a pretty good job selling season tickets,

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Quite a bit of blue is visible in the stands when the Cubs play the Brewers at Miller Park.

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■ With or without Morrow, Cubs may use cast of closers. **Page 3**  
 ■ Sizing up Sox's probable lineup for opening day. **Page 4**

## Pre-draft drama? Bears won't supply it this year

2018 success means no top-10 pick to consider

Reality hit me this week like Khalil Mack's one-handed shove.

It was during Mel Kiper's annual media teleconference previewing the NFL scouting combine, sometime between his thorough breakdown of Iowa tight end T.J. Hockenson and his breathless take on why no Tennessee players were invited to Indianapolis.

The Bears' pre-draft landscape this year is a desert. Get out your stopwatch and time the tumbleweeds as they roll 40 yards.

After picking in the top 10 for four straight years, the Bears don't have a pick in the first or second rounds. And for the first time since Ryan Pace became general manager in 2015, there's no significant quarterback in-



**RICH CAMPBELL**  
*On the Bears*

trigue, internally or externally, affecting them.

It's bleak, folks. How selfish of Pace not to consider our pre-draft entertainment quotient when he separately dealt those top picks last year to acquire Mack and receiver Anthony

Miller.

With the combine beginning Wednesday, though, anger and denial must yield to acceptance. We need to figure out how to squeeze some fun from the next two months without the usual intoxicating supply of mock drafts, scouting reports and hypothetical scenarios.

It's like a waiter at Ditka's greeting the table by apologizing

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## Zion's injury a scare for Bulls

Thanks a lot, Nike.

The Bulls have a slender strand of hope for redeeming this awful season, and it threatened to rip like a poorly made shoe.

Watching Zion Williamson of Duke go down with a knee injury Wednesday night and burst-apart shoe in the first minute of the top-ranked Blue Devils' loss to visiting rival No. 8 North Carolina took everyone's breath away — and not in a good way.

Adding angst to injury, Williamson, the anticipated No. 1 pick in the NBA draft, probably shouldn't have been playing in that game, wearing those shoes or putting himself in harm's way under the circumstances he was.

Having shown himself already of NBA caliber, Williamson should be a pro, playing for millions of dollars, picking his own brand of shoe and profiting from his own endorsement, with a big, fat contract to fall back on should he be hurt.

Instead, before a sellout crowd for a game that was demanding Super Bowl prices on the ticket resale market, Williamson's left Nike Hindenburg (or whatever model it was) came apart under him as he injured his right knee.

Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said Williamson suffered a "mild knee sprain." But Williamson was to undergo testing, and the true severity will be judged by how long it is before he plays again and whether it affects him going forward.

That's not just a concern for Blue Devils and their fans looking ahead to next month's NCAA tournament, but the NBA's Bulls, Suns, Cavaliers, Knicks and others league losers jockeying for the right to draft Williamson.

This incident also had to be of great concern for Nike.

It's not known the precise role Williamson's defective footwear played, if any, but it surely didn't help and no amount of advertising can make it look good.

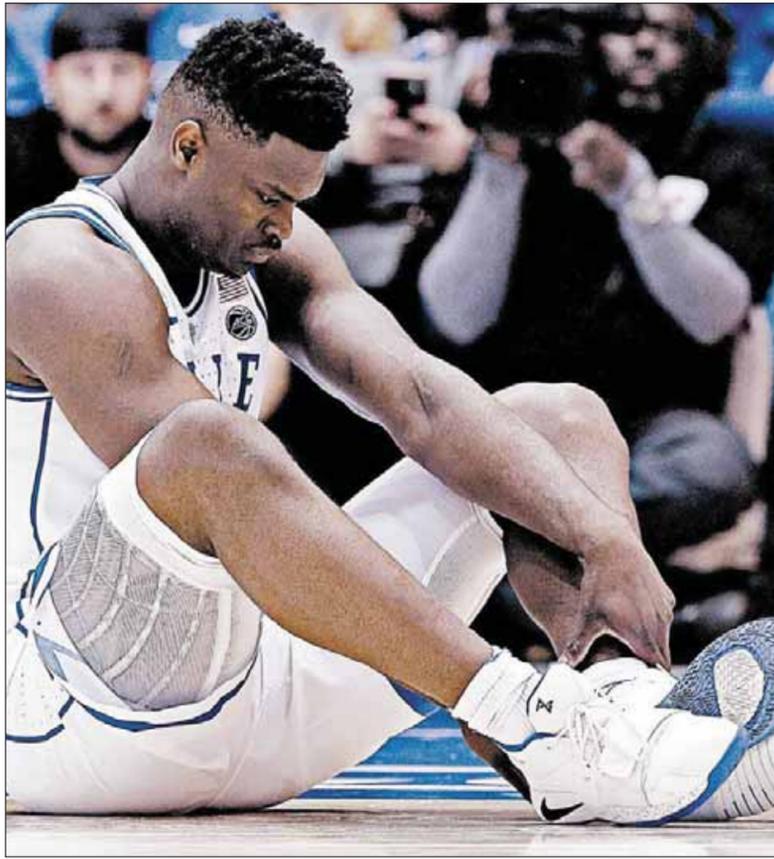
Nike undoubtedly will try. It's a marketing machine.

It's not clear how much Williamson likes wearing Nikes. The reason he wears them is the shoe company has a longtime deal with Duke and with Krzyzewski. Nike benefits from association with Williamson — or it did — but it doesn't pay him.

No one can pay him, thanks to the NCAA's embrace of an ancient brand of amateurism that even the largely ossified Olympics abandoned years ago.

Williamson gets his one year of education at Duke, but NCAA rules prohibit him from endorsements and other money-making opportunities he will get once he gets to the NBA.

The NBA, meanwhile, has all but forced him into the NCAA system for one year of purgatory, and not without risk as Wednesday's heart-stopping incident showed.



GERRY BROOME/AP

Duke's Zion Williamson sits on the floor after injuring his knee when his shoe blew out.

The obstacle keeping Williamson from the rich rewards and security his talent should command is Article X of the NBA's current collective bargaining agreement with its players' association.

Article X deems ineligible any player who's not at least age 19 and one NBA season removed from his high school class' graduation. Prospects can play pro ball overseas for that year in relative obscurity, or college basketball lighting up TV.

The Williamsons of the game are stuck in a one-and-done cycle that has them putting themselves at risk in a multibillion-dollar system that leans on their unpaid (if not wholly uncompensated) labor for the profit of everyone else — from ticket resellers, the schools and the shoe companies to TV rights holders and their advertisers.

Former Bulls star Scottie Pippen raised eyebrows last month when he said on ESPN that Williamson already had locked up his standing as the top NBA draft selection and should "shut it down" for the college season rather than "risk a major

injury that could really hurt his career."

Pippen wasn't crazy, however, and Williamson's knee injury is proof, regardless of how serious it turns out to be.

The Action Network's Darren Rovell reported Duke paid for an insurance policy for Williamson and he noted premiums for an \$8 million loss-of-value policy costs about \$50,000.

That's not cheap, but it's unknown whether it could come close to matching the millions in pay and endorsement money he would make over an entire NBA career if he fulfills expectations.

Suffice it to say, though Krzyzewski said Williamson's knee is stable, the star freshman forward almost certainly could use more support than he has gotten from the collegiate system and NBA.

Not to mention he could have used more support from that lousy Nike sneaker he had to wear.

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Williamson has mild knee sprain

DURHAM, N.C. — Soon after Zion Williamson's shoe ripped apart, Nike's stock price took a hit.

The freak injury during one of the college basketball season's marquee games immediately sparked debates about everything from the shoe manufacturer to insurance issues and whether the projected No. 1 NBA draft pick should risk his professional future by continuing to play for the top-ranked (for now) Blue Devils.

Williamson is day to day with a mild right knee sprain and is progressing as expected, team spokesman Mike DeGeorge said Thursday night.

By Thursday morning, Nike, which manufactured the shoes Williamson was wearing, also was feeling the impact of the injury in the opening minute of Duke's 88-72 home loss to No. 8 North Carolina.

The company's stock price was down about 1 percent, or 97 cents, to \$83.87 during midday trading Thursday.

A spokesman said Nike has begun an investigation into what it called an "isolated" event.

"Shoes have failed before but not as visibly," said Matt Powell, a senior industry adviser for sports for the NPD Group, a market research firm.

Playing before a crowd littered with celebrities — from Spike Lee to former President Barack Obama — Williamson was hurt on Duke's first possession as his Nike PG 2.5, from Thunder star Paul George's signature sneaker line, tore apart. Williamson wears that model frequently and had had no obvious problems.

The 280-pound Williamson is one of the most powerful players in the game, and he tried to plant with his left foot as his right foot was slipping. The blue rubber sole ripped loose from the white shoe, and Williamson's foot came all the way through the large gap.

He ended up in an awkward almost-split, clutching the back of his right knee.

He walked to the bench and a few minutes later headed to the locker room, leaving the wrecked shoe under his chair.

George said Thursday he has talked with Nike to see what went wrong and what happened to the shoe.

"It hasn't happened to me as long as I've been in this shoe," George said. "We've made three generations of my shoe, of being successful. So I didn't necessarily feel any way about that part — the negative part of it. My only concern was for Zion, honestly." AP

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Boeheim kills man walking on interstate

BY JOHN KEKIS, MICHAEL HILL  
Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Longtime Syracuse basketball coach Jim Boeheim struck and killed a man along an interstate late Wednesday as he tried to avoid hitting the man's disabled vehicle, police say.

Syracuse police say Jorge Jimenez, 51, was an occupant in a black Dodge Charger with three others when they apparently lost control on a patch of ice and hit a guardrail before midnight Wednesday on I-690 in Syracuse.

Boeheim, 74, struck Jimenez with his GMC Acadia while trying to avoid the disabled car, which was resting perpendicular on the darkened highway. The group had been heading toward the median for safety. Jimenez was taken to a hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Another man in the group suffered minor injuries in the accident, police said.

"I am heartbroken that a member of our community died as the result of last night's accident," Boeheim said in a prepared statement. The Hall of Fame coach said he and his wife, Juli, "extend our deepest sympathies to the Jimenez family."

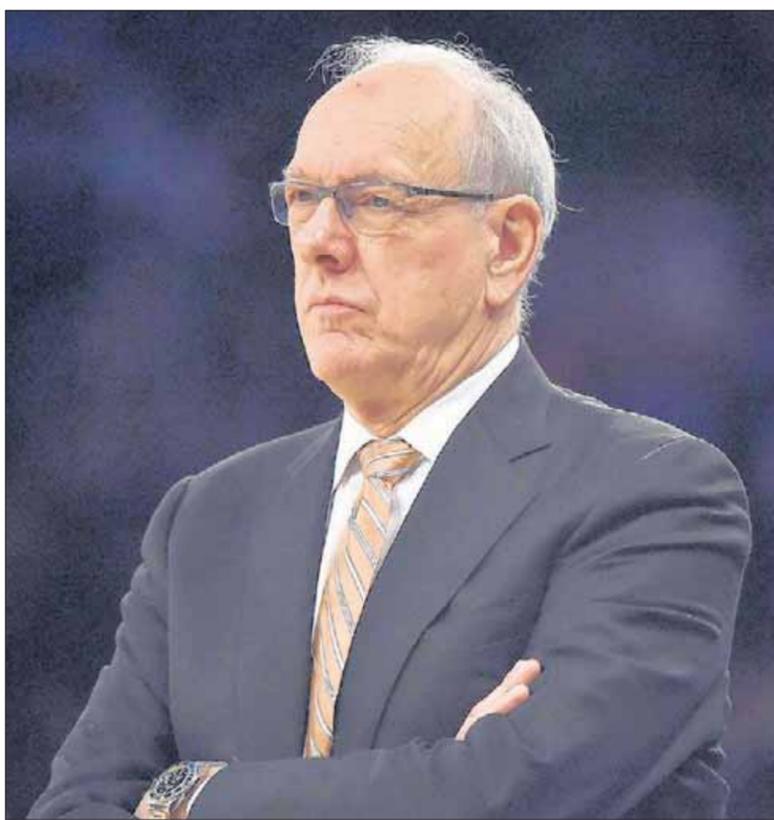
He said he would not comment further "out of respect for those involved."

Police said Boeheim has been cooperating with the investigation. He used his cellphone light to warn other drivers of the disabled car after the accident, police said.

"At this time we have no reason to believe that there are criminal charges that will be coming for anyone," Syracuse Police Chief Kenton T. Buckner said at a news conference.

Police said sobriety tests administered to Boeheim and the unidentified driver of the other vehicle were negative for any signs of impairment. Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick said he has known Boeheim for 40 years and the coach does not drink.

No tickets have been issued to Boeheim



BRAD HERRIGAN/HARTFORD COURANT

Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim accidentally struck and killed man on a New York interstate while trying to avoid a disabled vehicle in the roadway.

at this time, and the investigation is continuing.

"This story obviously is newsworthy because of the notoriety of the coach," Fitzpatrick said. "But this is the loss of a human being. It was an accident in the purest sense of the word."

Jimenez's daughter told the Post-Standard he was with friends buying cigarettes when he was killed. Yurisandy Jimenez Arrastre described her father — a native of Cuba who lived in the United States for 20 years — as a family man who loved to cook and tell jokes.

"My father was a man who was very sociable, very happy. He loved to help everybody with any question," Arrastre told the newspaper in Spanish. "He loved having friends."

Just hours before, Boeheim's team defeated 18th-ranked Louisville 69-49 at the Carrier Dome. He met his wife, his daughter and some friends for dinner after

the game and was driving alone from the restaurant, Fitzpatrick said. The scene of the accident is between the dome and Boeheim's suburban home.

Syracuse athletic director John Wildhack said in a statement the university sent its condolences to "all impacted by this tragic accident." Wildhack echoed police, saying Boeheim "is in contact with local authorities and cooperating fully." Wildhack said Boeheim met briefly with his team Thursday but did not attend or participate in practice.

Boeheim has coached at Syracuse, his alma mater, since 1976 and is one of the most accomplished coaches in the country. He ranks second all time in Division I with 944 wins, behind only Duke's Mike Krzyzewski. Over his 43 years at Syracuse, Boeheim has led the team to five Final Four appearances and the 2003 national title.

Associated Press writer Hill contributed from Albany, N.Y.

## MICHIGAN 69, MINNESOTA 60

## Wolverines roll, face MSU next

BY DAVE CAMPBELL  
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Jordan Poole scored 22 points to lead a long-range shooting spree by seventh-ranked Michigan, which beat Minnesota 69-60 on Thursday to set up a Sunday matchup against rival Michigan State for first place in the Big Ten.

Jon Teske had 17 points and seven rebounds and Ignas Brazdeikis added 10 points for the Wolverines (24-3, 13-3), who are tied with the Spartans at the top of the conference with Purdue a half-game behind.

Michigan was 13 of 28 from behind the 3-point line, matching a season best for made 3s in Big Ten play, with Poole going 5 of 10 and Teske 3 of 6.

Jordan Murphy (18 points, 15 rebounds) and Daniel Oturu (18 points, 12 rebounds) gave the Gophers (17-10, 7-9) plenty of production in the paint, but they missed 9 of 10 from 3-point range. The Wolverines have won 13 of the last 14 in the series, including nine of 10 since Richard Pitino took over as Minnesota coach.

The well-balanced Wolverines got nine points and nine rebounds from Charles Matthews and 12 assists from Zavier Simpson.

They trailed for only 31 seconds and used an 11-0 run over a 5:17 stretch early in the first half to take charge. The Gophers were no match for their stifling half-court defense. Amir Coffey missed his first 10 shots and finished 2 of 15 for six points.

In a sign of how poorly the night was going for the Gophers and how much the Wolverines were in sync, Dupree McBryer made a slick pass from the perimeter to the baseline for Eric Curry on a late first-half possession. As soon as Curry brought the ball to waist level in his advance to the basket, Isaiah Livers stuffed his layup attempt cold.

Oturu had a double-double by half-time, beating the buzzer with his put-back to bring the Gophers to 28-18, but that was their lowest score of any half all season. The Wolverines built a 21-point lead in the second half, sinking 3-pointers with consistency.

## CUBS



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Pedro Strop and others might need to handle some of the Cubs' save opportunities even after Brandon Morrow returns from injury.

## CUBS

# The closing crew

Morrow or not, Cubs may use collection of pitchers to finish games

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Pedro Strop and his fellow Cubs relievers aren't thinking about seizing the full-time closer role while Brandon Morrow recovers from right elbow surgery.

"It is his role," Strop said. "He's the closer of the team, and we weren't happy when he went down. When Brandon is in the bullpen, our bullpen is way better. It doesn't matter what role we're going to be put in."

But the reality is Strop, Steve Cishek and newcomer Brad Brach might need to handle at least some of the save opportunities even after Morrow returns in late April to preserve Morrow's strength and reduce the risk of another injury. Morrow missed the entire second half of last season despite a tedious comeback attempt.

Based on the results of the second half, the Cubs might have enough quality candidates to cover Morrow's absence through the first month. But with bullpen usage becoming more frequent — the Cubs made a major-league-record 600 pitching changes in 2018 — they might need reinforcements to help take the load off Strop, Cishek (who appeared in a career-high 80 games last year) and Brach.

Manager Joe Maddon plans to limit the

workload of Cishek and Strop in spring training to save their endurance for the regular season. Strop pitched in only three games last spring because of flu-like symptoms and a sore calf.

Morrow's absence puts a twist on Maddon's tendency to use April as an evaluation period for the best way to use his relievers.

"You've got to watch them for at least the first three to four weeks of the season to realize what do we (have) here and what's going on here," Maddon said. "I almost always feel better about saying what I want to say to the pitching coach to get whomever ready by May over April."

The Cubs had to reach deeper in the final 2½ weeks of last season after Strop strained a hamstring running to first base Sept. 13 against the Nationals. He was supposed to be sidelined five weeks but returned for the wild-card game and struck out two during a scoreless ninth inning.

The Cubs were fortunate they needed a closer for only three of their final 11 victories after Strop's injury, relying on Cishek and since-departed Jesse Chavez and Jorge De La Rosa.

Using multiple closers isn't foreign to Maddon, whose 2008 Rays reached the World Series with Troy Percival (28), Dan Wheeler (13), Grant Balfour (four) and J.P. Howell (three) saving games. The next season nine Rays earned at least one save.

Brach, 32, encountered a similar situation last season with the Orioles when he took over closer duties for the injured Zack Britton. Brach was 11 of 13 in save

opportunities but was frustrated by his inability to finish batters after getting two strikes. He had a 4.85 ERA in 42 appearances overall before a trade to the Braves.

He experienced a revival in Atlanta, where he posted a 1.52 ERA in 27 appearances and a 1.31 WHIP, down from 1.769 with the Orioles.

"It helped having the experience to pitch the ninth, and it definitely was a different animal compared to the seventh and eighth," Brach said. "The guys are not willing to give up that last strike or out."

"I'm just glad I got the opportunity. It's unfortunate that Zach got hurt. It wasn't under the best circumstances (to handle the closer duties), but it was nice to get the experience in the AL East. It's a battle every night. With the way the (NL Central) is lining up, it might be the same way."

Cishek converted 73 saves in 79 chances in 2013 and '14 with the Marlins before settling into a setup role with AJ Ramos taking over closer duties in 2015.

While Morrow's bone bruise was slowly healing, Strop earned the large majority of the save chances, converting 11 of 13 to go with a 1.77 ERA and limiting opponents to a .139 batting average in the second half.

"When I'm in there, I don't know what inning it is," Strop said. "Sometimes it gets to you when you're closing games, to get those (three) outs, and you put pressure on yourself. You've got to be able to manage the pressure to your advantage."

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## Cubs fans set tone at Miller Park

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but I don't think it's ever going to completely change," Counsell said. "Look, it's a very easy (trip). I know for a lot of Cubs fans it's easier to get to Miller Park than to Wrigley Field, so I don't blame Cubs fans."

And if Brewers fans are just buying tickets to scalp them to Cubs fans? More power to 'em — the ticket revenues theoretically help build the Brewers payroll.

The 10 Cubs games at Miller Park in 2018 drew an average of 37,670, about an 8 percent increase over the Brewers' average in their other 71 home games.

That's a lot of beers and brats being paid for by Cubs fans, so owner Mark Attanasio can't really complain — though he probably will anyway.

On many occasions Cubs fans made up the majority of the attendance at the ballpark, including the Labor Day game last fall in which the Brewers staged a late 4-3 comeback victory and afterward Cubs starter Cole Hamels questioned how it could be a real rivalry if Brewers fans don't turn out.

"When you have majority Cubs fans in the stands, I don't know if that's a rivalry yet," Hamels said. "They're not going to like me for the comment, but you can look at the ticket sales. When they start getting a little bit closer and their fans sell out, I think that's kind of the understanding."

The Brewers won two of three in that series, then caught the Cubs in the final week before winning Game 163 at Wrigley Field to win the NL Central. In a shocking development, Brewers fans bought many of the tickets to the division tiebreaker, thanks to blase Cubs fans waiting for the playoffs.

"Our fans did a really good job of coming to Wrigley Field for Game 163, which had a tight window sale," Counsell said, referring to the short time to buy tickets from the end of the regular-season finale to the next afternoon.

The Cubs and Brewers figure to be going at it again in 2019 and could stage a repeat of last year's epic ending. But the narrative all the division managers and executives are pushing is it's now a five-team dog fight in the Central, with the Reds making some big offseason moves and the Pirates adding Chris Archer in July.

It all starts Saturday at Sloan Park, where the Cubs and Brewers play in the Cactus League opener, the first of three meaningless exhibition meetings.

Despite the PECOTA projection of the Cubs finishing last with a sub-.500 record, Counsell believes they're the same old Cubs — meaning the ones from 2016, not the "same old Cubs" of 20th century lore.

"The Cubs won 95 games last year and they've won the division (and) essentially were at the top of the division," he said. "We finished in a tie and took it in an extra game last year."

"We knocked them off in one game and managed to win one more game, but they're definitely a dynamic team and a team we know will have to be reckoned with for sure."

And if Cubs fans want to fill Miller Park again, Counsell is fine with that. The playoff atmosphere in Milwaukee for regular-season games prepared his young team for the real deal in October.

"I'm glad they're buying tickets," he said.

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An app for that: Cubs go digital only for tickets

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Single-game tickets for 2019 Cubs games go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, and fans unaccustomed to the new digital-only format can familiarize themselves quickly.

A redesigned version of the MLB Ballpark app — mlb.com/cubs/apps/ballpark — is available for fans to learn how to access their tickets because the Cubs no longer use the printed version. The updated version of the app also is essential for fans who renew season tickets.

Colin Faulkner, the Cubs' senior vice president of sales and partnerships, said the switch to the digital-only format started last year.

"Half of the major-league teams will be eliminating printed tickets," said Faulkner.

Faulkner added that teams are following a trend that has seen airlines and businesses such as Starbucks opt for mobile devices for tickets and payments.

The Cubs sold all of their tickets for the 2018 National League Central tiebreaker and NL wild-card home games on successive days in October.

Faulkner added that the number of season ticket holders who have requested printed tickets has decreased to 5 percent.

The Cubs said they opted for a digital-only ticket format to allow fans quicker access into the ballpark and to cut down on ticket fraud.

## CUBS NOTES

## Almora's role likely similar to last season

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — It's a new year but the same role for Albert Almora Jr.

Shortly before Joe Maddon said Almora was "going to have a great year," the Cubs manager intimated that Almora's chances for more playing time might depend on the makeup of the roster — some of his fellow young players need to play to enhance their development — and the most favorable matchups.

"We're still going to have to, on certain days, see a left-hander playing center field," Maddon said Thursday. "It's just the way it's going to be."

Maddon doesn't subscribe to the theory a player can earn more playing time with a hot streak.

"Everyone needs to be developed," Maddon said. "This team has a young core, and if you look at last season, the guy with the least amount of plate appearances among that group was (Ian) Happ. And even Ian has the least number and wasn't injured."

Almora, 24, batted .286 in 479 plate appearances and showed improvement against right-handed pitchers with a .282 average.

"Albert probably can handle more, but we're going to continue to do pretty much what we saw last year in moving guys in and out based on matchups," Maddon said.

**Open door:** Unlike many old-school managers who let the lineup card speak for their motives, Maddon said he's willing to respond to players who might have complaints about playing time or question a decision.

"We actually do talk to them about things," Maddon said with a smirk. "Sometimes guys don't want to hear things, and sometimes they do. We've actually told them all of that stuff. And we'll continue to do that."

"The only thing a player needs to be prepared for is the answer. He might not like it. So if you're ready for the answer, that's fine. I do believe in the concept (that) honesty without compassion equals cruelty. So you have to, at some point, not necessarily sugarcoat it, but you've got to let them down easy and tell them."

To help players prepare, Maddon said he might write the lineups for each series in advance unlike past seasons, when the lineup was sent to players via text message the morning of each game.

"I'm not sure if it's going to work well or

not because (a player) might be upset for two days knowing he's not going to play until the third (game)," Maddon joked.

**Options aplenty:** With five weeks until the March 28 opener at Texas, there's plenty of time to get ready for Ben Zobrist, currently addressing a personal matter.

His absence allows Maddon and the coaches to take a longer look at Daniel Descalso and Happ at second base and Happ and perhaps David Bote in the outfield.

At the Cubs Convention last month, Zobrist said he was aware he doesn't have no-trade protection in his contract. "That being said, I'm not going to give it much thought," Zobrist said. "I'm just going to prepare for the season and connect with my teammates."

**Extra innings:** Maddon paused when asked if Jon Lester would start the opener against the Rangers. "If I were to say that, then that means I've circumvented the other guys and not told them first," Maddon said with a smile. "I try not to reveal things via the press that I need to talk to them first." ... Tyler Chatwood will start the second exhibition game Sunday against the Giants in Scottsdale.

## WHITE SOX

## NOTES

# Journeyman Roach will start opener

By **TEDDY GREENSTEIN**  
Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The starting pitcher for the White Sox's spring training home opener Saturday is the definition of a journeyman.

Donn Roach has pitched for three major-league teams — the Padres, Cubs and Mariners — and in six other minor-league systems. He has pitched for teams in Korea and Japan.

What's weird about pitching in Japan: Starters go once a week, so Roach was Mr. Tuesday. On other days he worked out with the team pregame and then had to leave the stadium as an inactive player.

"You can't be in the dugout," Roach said Thursday. "That was kind of difficult for me because I like being at the field. You watch it on TV, but it's not the same. I'd go get a snack and come back and it's two innings later ... oh, crap, what happened?"

Roach got only one shot with the Cubs, and it did not go well. He allowed eight hits and four runs in 3 1/3 innings in a start in St. Louis in 2015.

"I had a good time there even though the results personally weren't good," he said. "They were in a losing skid but everybody was like, 'Who cares? We're still going to win.' It's similar to here, with a lot of young guys committed to winning."

The Sox have two spring openers Saturday — split-squad games against the Dodgers at home and versus the A's in Phoenix. Roach has no idea why he was selected to start the home game.

"Names (pulled) out of a hat, maybe?" he said. "I don't think I've ever actually started a Cactus League game. Always been the second or third guy. I'm excited for it."

A 29-year-old right-hander from Las Vegas, Roach hopes to be in midseason form, saying: "For a guy like me, I don't think I have the luxury of really working on stuff during games. I have to get outs right away."

Indeed, Roach is a long shot to break camp with the Sox, who figure to keep 13 pitchers. But if he's here and getting the ball, he has a chance.

"The guy can execute; he knows how to pitch," manager Rick Renteria said. "He hits his spots very well. He's not shy. Hopefully he has a nice outing and shows everybody why he's here in camp."

**Feeling tall:** It was once easy to overlook Nick Madrigal because he never grew to the size of a typical major-leaguer. He is listed at 5-foot-7. Even after the Indians drafted him in the 17th round in 2015, he heard it. And after he turned them down to play for Oregon State.

"Honestly it doesn't bother me at all," he said. "When I step on the field, it's not even a thought in my head. I feel confident out here. I feel like the biggest guy out there."

The Sox gave Madrigal \$6.4 million to sign after taking him fourth in the 2018 draft. The team is having Yoan Moncada work at third base so when Madrigal is ready, Moncada won't block his path. That could come this season, though Madrigal figures to break camp where he ended last season — at High-A Winston-Salem.

Once he advances to Birmingham, Madrigal will be reunited with 11-time Gold Glove Omar Vizquel, who managed him last season with Winston-Salem.

"It was a pleasure working with the guy," Vizquel said. "There's a lot of knowledge there for as young as he is. He likes to ask a lot of questions. He is the kind of player that you want to have with you all the time."

Vizquel called Madrigal's defense at second base "awesome. He's got quick hands, with good range. And he knows where to be in different situations, so you don't really have to be on top of his game. He knows what he has to do. Just love the guy and everything he does in the field."

**Closing time:** The Sox will not have a closer. Renteria said he has three pitchers he can use in "hot" situations late in games — Nate Jones, Kelvin Herrera and Alex Colome. Then he amended that, saying he has five to six potential late-game relievers, including lefty Jace Fry.

"Excuse me for leaving him out," Renteria said.

The Sox had an uninspiring bullpen last season. Relievers posted a 4.49 ERA, 11th in the AL. Ten players notched saves, led by Joakim Soria's 16. The Sox traded him to the Brewers in late July.



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Donn Roach will pitch Saturday in the spring training home opener.



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Sox shortstop Tim Anderson, working out in Glendale, Ariz., stands to benefit the most from Manny Machado's signing with the Padres.

# Who's in ... and out?

By **TEDDY GREENSTEIN** | Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Where does Manny Machado's decision to sign with the Padres leave the White Sox roster and lineup? With spring training games beginning Saturday, here's a breakdown of the team and our projection of the opening-day lineup.

## Catchers

### Wellington Castillo

After an 80-game suspension for PEDs last season, the veteran backstop is being more careful with what he ingests — we hope.

### James McCann

After catching for the Tigers since 2014, McCann is ready to share pitchers' perspectives with Sox hitters.

**Projected starter:** Castillo.

## Infielders

### Jose Abreu

Abreu was an All-Star and Silver Slugger last season despite being limited by injuries. It is unlikely — but not impossible — the Sox offer an extension during the season after GM Rick Hahn said the team prefers to do negotiations during the offseason.

### Yonder Alonso

The former Indians first baseman is respected for his lefty bat and clubhouse presence. Look for him to split time between first and DH.

### Tim Anderson

The ultra-confident Anderson doesn't need anyone to tell him how good he could be entering his fourth season. He already knows. Probably benefits the most from Machado's decision to sign with the Padres.

### Leury Garcia

The 5-foot-8 Dominican plays anywhere and answers to "Leroy" from manager Rick Renteria.

### Yoan Moncada

Moncada struggled in his first full season, striking out a whopping 217 times. He needs to cut down that number by about 100 — and learn to play third after swapping positions with Yolmer Sanchez. His 21 errors last season led the team.

### Jose Rondon

Rondon, who can play second, third and short, bounced between Triple-A Charlotte and the Sox last season.

### Yolmer Sanchez

If the Sox had their own network, he would be given his own show. The versatile Sanchez is being moved back to second base after playing the hot corner 141 times last season.

**Projected starters:** Abreu 1B; Sanchez 2B; Moncada 3B; Anderson SS; Alonso DH.

## Outfielders

### Nicky Delmonico

Delmonico needs to rediscover the stroke that allowed him to post an .855 OPS in 2017 before falling to .669 last year.

### Adam Engel

A defensive stud with Superman skills at the wall, Engel needs to boost his career .260 on-base percentage.

### Jon Jay

Joe Maddon raves about the former Cub, praising his diligence and "high baseball IQ." Jay will provide leadership and veteran insight to the Sox's young outfield.

### Daniel Palka

Guaranteed Rate Field is way more fun when this slugger hits bombs — 27 homers as a rookie is not too shabby.

**Projected starters:** Jay LF; Engel CF; Palka RF.



Control has been a problem for Lucas Giolito, but the big right-hander has a huge upside.

## Starting pitchers

### Manny Banuelos, LHP

The former top Yankees prospect has pitched in only seven big-league games — in 2015 with the Braves. The left-hander went 9-7 with a 3.73 ERA in 31 Triple-A games last season.

### Lucas Giolito, RHP

The 6-6 right-hander needs to throw more strikes and, yes, get more outs. Let's see if that "neurofeedback" program helps Giolito cut down on 90 walks in 2018.

### Reynaldo Lopez, RHP

Lopez was solid for most of 2018, giving up two earned runs or fewer 20 times last season. The Sox hope he blossoms into a No. 2 starter, but he won't be the eventual ace: that distinction belongs to Michael Kopech or Dylan Cease.

### Ivan Nova, RHP

The veteran replaces James Shields in the rotation after being acquired from the Pirates in the offseason. Nova has pitched with numbing consistency the last three seasons (ERAs of 4.17, 4.14 and 4.19).

### Carlos Rodon, LHP

Rodon struggled down the stretch (9.22 ERA in September) in his first season after shoulder surgery. He needs to bounce back and pitch like the ace the Sox believed they drafted in 2014.

## Relievers

### Alex Colome, RHP

The Sox acquired the 30-year-old right-hander from the Mariners for catcher Omar Narvaez. Colome pitched in 70 games last season for the Rays and Mariners.

### Caleb Frare, LHP

The left-hander appeared in 11 games for the Sox last season after being acquired from Yankees' minor-league system.

### Jace Fry, LHP

Fry has the ability to baffle hitters from both sides of plate with command of four pitches. He struck out 70 in 51 1/3 innings last season.

### Kelvin Herrera, RHP

The former Royals closer signed for \$18 million over two years in the offseason. Herrera is still recovering from September surgery to repair a torn ligament in his left foot.

### Nate Jones, RHP

Affable right-hander missed three months last season with a forearm strain — a recurring theme for Jones.

### Juan Minaya, RHP

Right-hander posted a respectable 3.28 ERA in 52 outings last season.

## Pitchers on the bubble

### Aaron Bummer, LHP

Bummer needs to throw more strikes by using his power sinker.

### Ryan Burr, RHP

The big right-hander recently froze Eloy Jimenez on a slider in live batting practice.

### Dylan Covey, RHP

Covey started strong last season (2.29 ERA after six starts) but ended with 14 losses and a 5.18 ERA.

### Carson Fulmer, RHP

The former first-round pick still wants to be a starter, but that didn't go so well (8.13 ERA) last season.

### Ian Hamilton, RHP

Hamilton crushed it in the minors last season (1.74 ERA in 43 appearances) with his upper-90s fastball.

### Thyago Vieira, RHP

The Brazilian right-hander posted a 2.16 ERA for Sox in September.

## Prospect watch

### Dylan Cease, RHP

Sox executives practically glow when they speak of Cease, who combines top-end pitching ability with a beautiful mind. He struck out 78 in 52 1/3 innings in Double A.

### Zack Collins, C

A fan approached Collins at SoxFest and told him, "No one can ever replace A.J. Pierzynski." Collins replied, "We'll see." We'll also see if he stays at catcher or moves to first base.

### Eloy Jimenez, OF

The smiling "Babe Ruth of our generation" (according to Michael Kopech) is ticketed for a late-April arrival in a corner outfield spot. Talented enough to be on the opening-day roster but likely won't be so the Sox can control another year of his contract.

### Michael Kopech, RHP

The 2019 season will test the patience of a future ace who experienced everything in 2018 — control problems, dominance and elbow reconstruction.

### Nick Madrigal, IF

The Sox invested \$6.4 million in the 5-7 second baseman and feel it's already beginning to pay off. The question: Will he rise quickly enough to debut in 2019?

### Luis Robert, OF

His frame and tools make scouts salivate. Now Robert needs to stay healthy and deliver a hitting stroke worthy of his \$26 million signing bonus.

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## BULLS



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Three days after being acquired from the Wizards on Feb. 6, Otto Porter Jr. played against his old team.

# Changing role

## Bulls expect to utilize Porter in different ways

By K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

After Wednesday's practice, the Bulls' first following the All-Star break, Zach LaVine excitedly revealed how coach Jim Boylen plans to utilize some offensive wrinkles to take advantage of his and Otto Porter Jr.'s versatility.

Asked about Boylen's adjustments after Thursday's practice, Porter smiled.

"Yeah, you'll definitely see it this next game," he said.

Because of the way the schedule broke after his Feb. 6 acquisition from the Wizards, Porter had participated in just one practice while playing four games for the Bulls.

Porter averaged 22.5 points on 62.1 percent shooting with 5.8 rebounds and 2.3 assists as the Bulls went 2-2. He also scored a career-high 37 points against the Pelicans in the final game before the break.

So with Porter doubling his previous practice participation with sessions Wednesday and Thursday, he should score, like, 50 points Friday in Orlando, Fla., right?

"It helps a lot," Porter said. "I mean, practice is where you can get acquainted with everybody. I'm still learning names. I'm just learning the plays, our defensive schemes, getting accustomed to all the different name calls and stuff like that."

"But I feel very comfortable.

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(Boylen) is letting me play freely. He simplified the offense a lot so I can pick things up. But as we go along, he'll start putting in more and more plays."

Boylen consistently calls Porter "a basketball player." That might sound simplistic, but it's meant as a compliment.

It means Porter is a plug-and-play guy, a versatile wing who can play multiple positions and either assert himself as a scorer or assimilate himself as a floor spacer to help others.

With the Wizards, he served as the third option behind ball-dominant All-Star guards John Wall and Bradley Beal. Porter can be more than that but also is comfortable in that role. And his approach to playing alongside LaVine and Lauri Markkanen is telling.

"I'm trying to make their job easier since they've been here a while," Porter said. "Get them more open looks, space out the floor."

Nevertheless, Porter will get his chances as the primary option. Boylen all but assured that while speaking generally about the offensive wrinkles that could be in store.

"His drive game is very interesting to me because he has such positional size that, even maybe when he's closely guarded, he can score over the top of the defense," Boylen said of the 6-foot-8 Porter. "And then he has a real good feel of passing to the pocket."

"What's interesting for me is

there's a part of me that wants him off the ball 'cause he's a great (pass) receiver. And there's part of us that wants him with the ball because he's a pretty damn good creator with positional size."

This positional size, plus Porter's ability to play power forward in smaller lineups, are the aspects that excite Boylen the most.

"And then I like that he's vocal in front of the team about the things that I care about," Boylen said. "He honors the essence of the team, and he takes accountability for poor play or poor minutes of the game by the group. "We got to do better" — you hear those comments come out of his mouth in a timeout. Or, 'First five minutes are huge, guys. We've got to play this quarter.' Whatever the chatter is, I love that kind of stuff."

"It means you're locked in. It means you care."

Porter isn't just getting up to speed with more practices. He used the All-Star break to find an apartment.

"Now I can get some sleep," he cracked.

Consider the defense warned.

**Layups:** Timothe Luwawu-Cabarrot is questionable for Friday after skipping practice with a right oblique contusion suffered in Wednesday's practice. ... Boylen said Chandler Hutchison has ditched the walking boot that protected the fractured sesamoid bone in his right foot. There's no timeline yet for the rookie's return.

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# Long-retired MJ still sets records

'Holy grail' card sells for eBay-best \$350,100 after frenzied late bids

By PHIL THOMPSON  
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A winning bid of \$350,100 secured a rare Michael Jordan basketball card Wednesday night on eBay after a flurry of bids raised the price by nearly \$150,000 in the final two minutes.

"We call it a 'holy grail' because it's so scarce and so desired that you just frankly never see it," said Brent Huigens, CEO of PWCC Marketplace, which handled the auction on behalf of a private owner.

"This is the first one I've ever handled in my life," said Huigens, who has been in the business for about 20 years. "Most people have never even seen an image of one."

Only 10 of the Bulls legend's 1997-98 Precious Metal Gems (PMG) Green cards were made as insert cards for Skybox's Metal Universe packs, and this card — No. 6 of 10 — is one of only three Jordan PMG Greens some experts believe to be in circulation. Only the No. 6 has been authenticated and graded by the Professional Sports Authenticator (PSA) service.

According to a representative for PWCC, the sale doesn't become official until the bidder pays, likely by Friday.

"I believe it's the highest-selling Jordan card of all time," said Rich Mueller, editor of Sports Collectors Daily. "His rookie card, even a PSA 10, (which is) gem mint — there aren't a ton of those around — typically sells for \$20,000 to \$25,000."

"There have been other pieces of Jordan memorabilia — game-worn shoes, important game-worn jerseys — that have sold for pretty strong prices. But in terms of cards, that's unprecedented."

Heritage Auctions sports consignment director Nick Cepero called the final bid "pretty remarkable."

"That's what happens with eBay sales: The all-out warfare happens in the last 30 seconds," Cepero said.

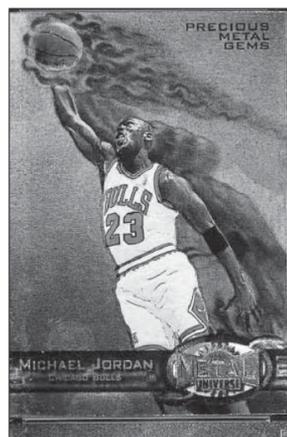
Skybox intentionally limited the number of "insert" or "chase" cards it produced to entice collectors and NBA enthusiasts to buy the full Metal Universe packs. The company made 90 of the PMG Reds — one is currently listed on eBay for \$175,000 — and 10 of the Greens.

Precious Metal Gems 1997 fetched some eye-popping bids for other players Wednesday night, including Jordan's teammate Scottie Pippen, whose card went for \$22,300, and cards for Tim Duncan, Allen Iverson, Grant Hill and Antoine Walker. All six cards, including Jordan's, came from the same "international client," Huigens confirmed. The seller hadn't authorized PWCC to reveal his identity as of press time Thursday.

Huigens also kept the buyer anonymous, though he called him "one of the more prolific modern trading-card investors in the world."

But the Jordan PMG Green's \$350,100 haul stands out, and PSA President Steve Sloan confirmed it's the third-highest public auction sale for a basketball card, behind a mint-condition 1969 Lew Alcindor rookie card by Topps (\$501,900 through Heritage Auction) and a 1948 George Mikan rookie card by Bowman (\$403,664 through SCP Auctions).

The Jordan card beat the record for modern cards (1980 to present), which had been \$312,000 for a 2003 Ultimate Collection "Ultimate Logos" Le-



PWCC MARKETPLACE

The Michael Jordan PMG Green basketball card sold for \$350,100.

Bron James card, minted as a grade 9 by PSA.

"Basketball cards rarely surpass \$100,000, let alone \$200,000, so the final price realized is remarkable," Sloan said via email. "It's the combination of rarity of this particular insert, the popularity of the set overall and star power of Jordan that drove this price."

In 2015, Baseball Card Exchange listed a Jordan PMG Green, No. 1 of 10, on eBay but pulled it from the site after bidding reached \$91,300 because of issues vetting the bidders. It later sold privately for "a small six-figure sum," according to a release from eBay.

Also, eBay confirmed that Wednesday's Jordan card auction, which also had to be relaunched with pre-approved bidders, set a record as the most expensive basketball card sold through its site, eclipsing a rare Jordan/James card that sold for \$300,000 in 2004.

"If you were the one to pull one out of a pack, it's like winning the lottery," Cepero said of the Jordan PMG Green.

Mueller added: "I'm still kind of shocked. That's a really huge price. There's an awful lot of Jordan cards that are numbered to 100 or less. There are one-of-one Jordan cards and other insert cards from the '90s that have a little game-worn jersey piece that don't even approach that figure."

Mueller called it a perfect storm: Jordan collectors have a ravenous reputation, and the '97-98 PMGs have their own cult following.

Mueller and Sloan agreed nostalgia also could be a big factor. "The generation who grew up idolizing Jordan in the 1980s and 1990s now has the discretionary income to collect important cards from the era," Sloan said.

Mueller added that the Jordan card could have a domino effect on the price of other high-value basketball cards, particularly from the '80s and '90s.

Among serious collectors, there are other tangible reasons the card is so prized.

"It sort of ushers in what would become modern trading cards," Huigens said.

The metallic, holographic-looking foil and textured surface was innovative for its time.

The process used to make them was so complicated and expensive — and the final product was so prone to defects such as chipping and fraying — that most manufacturers ditched production of those types of cards until the technology improved in later years.

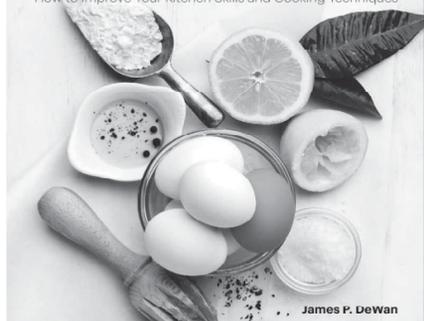
Huigens added that the PMGs were the first to feature a series number stamped on the back.

"Almost all high-value trading cards nowadays have this," he said, "but back in the day it was brand new."

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## BEARS

# Bears minus any drama before draft

Campbell, from Page 1

for being out of red meat. Can we make a meal out of French onion soup, creamed spinach and cheesecake?

Start by assessing the Bears' needs. It's a shorter list after their breakout season, but one jumps out as a compass for arriving at April 26 and the Bears' first pick at — wait for it — No. 87.

Running back intrigue, especially in the middle rounds, doesn't measure up to the juice we enjoyed the last four springs while speculating about top-10 picks, trading up and quarterback landing spots.

But running backs do score touchdowns, gain yards and win fantasy football titles. That's something. And we're desperate.

The resurgent Bears were 27th in the NFL in yards per carry, an especially unsatisfactory ranking given coach Matt Nagy's reputation for offensive ingenuity and success.

Also, remember Pace has waited until at least the fourth round to draft all three running backs he has selected — Jeremy Langford, Jordan Howard and Tarik Cohen. That strategy fits the Bears' dearth of picks.

Add the fact Howard is entering the final year of his contract, and it's clear running back should suffice as our focus.

So which mid- to late-round back does Kiper believe fits with the Bears?

"Miles Sanders from Penn State — I just want to see where he ends up," the ESPN draft analyst said Tuesday. "I was really impressed with the way he played in some games. In other games, he didn't get a lot of help from the line. But he's a talented football player."

"He's got ability to make people miss in the hole. He runs with good body lean. Miles Sanders, I think, would be a guy."

Ah, yes. A guy. Lest anyone lose sleep over the Miles Sanders sweepstakes, know that he's not ranked among Kiper's 10 best running backs in this draft. At least the other two guys he mentioned — Kentucky's Benny Snell and Stanford's Bryce Love — are.

Therein lies a crucial reminder: With the Bears picking so late, all the pre-draft chatter ultimately is guesswork, which only increases the annual premium on perspective.

Think back to 2017 and the Bears' selection of Cohen in the fourth round. The North Carolina A&T scatback wasn't a bright spot on the radar of professional draft analysts, amateur draftniks or many NFL scouts. Two seasons later, though, Cohen is the Bears' most dangerous offensive weapon and an All-Pro punt returner.

Turns out what happens after the draft is much more meaningful than all the noise before it.

Whichever offensive players Pace drafts for Nagy to develop, it's fair to assume they'll be in capable hands. Although the offense failed to score 20 points in eight of 17 games last season, there's upside in the Bears' respectable statistical improvements as well as Nagy's background with the Chiefs.

That said, appreciating the post-draft developmental process isn't mutually exclusive with enjoying the window shopping over the next two months.

One great thing about the draft, and a reason it's so popular, is how it offers something for every fan regardless of his or her interest level.

You want to spend hours in early April dissecting YouTube highlights of mid-level running back prospects? Knock yourself out. Start with the list of 10 in this comprehensive breakdown by Tribune colleague Brad Biggs.

You prefer to ignore the needle-in-a-haystack search and wait until after the draft for a crash course on whom the Bears took? That's an option too.

Regardless of where in that range you feel comfortable, there could come a moment of emptiness over the next two months as the draft spotlight shines elsewhere and leaves the Bears in the dark.

Just remember not to lose perspective. Be thankful they're no longer picking in the top 10. Be happy the quarterback drama finally doesn't affect them.

And if that doesn't quench your thirst, cue up one of Mack's many highlight reels. After all, this year's first-round pick was part of the price for fast-forwarding the Bears' turnaround.

Just Google "Khalil Mack one-handed shove." As doses of perspective go, those search results hit hard.

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## BLACKHAWKS



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Jimmy Buffett performs beside guest tambourine player Patrick Kane on June 29, 2013, at FirstMerit Bank Pavilion at Northerly Island.

# Hawks' own Parrothead

By PHIL THOMPSON

Chicago Tribune

Patrick Kane had no idea what he was starting when he brought the Stanley Cup onstage at a Jimmy Buffett concert in 2010 at Toyota Park.

Wearing a Hawaiian shirt, Kane hoisted the trophy over his head and kissed it as the crowd cheered, and then he backed Buffett's next number on the tambourine.

"We're approaching a decade of friendship," Kane said via email Thursday as he and the Blackhawks prepared for Margaritaville Night at the United Center on Friday against the Avalanche. "It really started in 2010, the first time I brought the Cup. I was simply a Buffett fan and thought his concert would be a fun place to go."

"It grew to become tradition as I brought the Cup back in 2013 and 2015. And I'd like to bring it again."

He added: "It was a complete surprise to

me in 2013 when he rewrote the opening lyrics to 'Margaritaville.' Pretty cool to see a music legend singing Blackhawks highlights."

Kane's devotion to Buffett extends beyond those concerts. He's a full-fledged Parrothead.

"I like all of his classics," Kane said. "Jimmy's music has that relaxed, low-maintenance vibe. Just like pump-up music sets the right mood as you take the ice, Buffett tunes are perfect for the offseason as you look to recharge."

Hawks officials said they wanted to bring that vibe — and a touch of summer during a particularly frigid February — when the team hosts its Buffett tribute night beginning at 4 p.m. Friday.

The Champaign-based Boat Drunks, who have opened for Buffett and his Coral Reefer Band, is the featured act in the United Center atrium, which will also have a beach-ball drop, photo opportunities and

giveaways.

The first 1,500 fans to enter through the atrium will receive Margaritaville-themed Blackhawks T-shirts, and fans can buy specialty margaritas in commemorative cups. Buffett filmed a comical video for the event while wearing a Blackhawks sweater and brandishing a hockey stick.

The Hawks-Avalanche game also has serious playoff implications with the teams tied at 61 points for the final Western Conference wild-card spot. The Hawks have 21 games remaining and the Avalanche 22.

"I know our fans are looking forward to Margaritaville Night, but this is also an important game versus Colorado," Kane said. "Together that'll create a great atmosphere inside the United Center, and hopefully we'll be celebrating at the end of the night with a win."

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# Kane's play sparking Blackhawks' revival

Kane, from Page 1

## Hart Trophy race

Kane's 106 points during the 2015-16 season led the NHL and far surpassed the 89 put up by the Stars' Jamie Benn. By the end of Kane's 26-game point streak, it was a foregone conclusion he would win the MVP award, and he ended up with 121 of 150 first-place votes.

The situation this year could not be more different. The Lightning's Nikita Kucherov has been the Hart Trophy favorite all season. He has 29 goals and 70 assists and is on pace to finish with 135 points, which would be the most since Mario Lemieux had 161 in 1995-96.

Kane had 39 points in his first 35 games this season, pretty good numbers but hardly MVP-worthy, especially on a team that only was contending for the NHL's worst record.

The season really began to turn for Kane when he had a three-point game against the Stars on Dec. 20. Since then, he has 53 points in 25 games — a ridiculous clip of more than two points per game. For the season, Kane has 92 points on 38 goals and 54 assists.

What's remarkable is how consistent Kane has been. He has gone without a point only nine times. And only once — once! — has he gone consecutive games without a point. The Hawks still have 21 games remaining, but during Kane's MVP season he was held without a point 18 times.

The vote this year is sure to be close no matter who ends up winning. One school of thought is that Kane has to win the scoring race and the Hawks need to make the playoffs for him to overtake Kucherov.

On the other hand, Kucherov is playing on a much deeper team than Kane that easily has the NHL's best record. Take

Kucherov away and the Lightning still are a Stanley Cup contender; take Kane away from the Hawks and they might be getting relegated to the AHL.

Kane is playing nearly three more minutes per game than Kucherov, which could work both ways. It enhances the argument that Kane is more valuable but also could detract because Kucherov is scoring more with less ice time.

Kane's 22 minutes, 19 seconds of playing time this season is nearly two minutes more per game than during his MVP season.

**Prediction:** Sorry, Hawks fans. Kucherov got too big a head start and will win the MVP.

## Reaching the 50-goal mark

Only three players in Hawks history have scored at least 50 goals in a season: Bobby Hull (five times), Jeremy Roenick (twice) and Al Secord.

Roenick was the last to do it in 1992-93, and Kane has come closer than anybody since, scoring 46 three years ago.

It's silly to classify Kane as a playmaker rather than a goal scorer. During his career he simply has done what needs to be done. Besides Alex DeBrincat, the Hawks don't have anybody who resembles a prolific goal scorer, so Kane has been shooting more than ever.

He's on pace to finish with 328 shots on goal, which would top his previous career high of 292 in 2016-17.

Hull's team-record 58 goals in 1968-69 would appear out of reach, but Kane has 21 goals in his last 22 games, so let's not rule anything out.

**Prediction:** Kane scores his 50th goal against the Blues on April 3 at the United Center.

## 26-game point streak

Kane's 19-game point streak already is the second-longest by an American player in NHL history. The only one longer is the 26-game streak he had three years ago.

An argument can be made that this streak already is more impressive. During Kane's 2015-16 streak he had 40 points (16 goals, 24 assists) in 26 games; so far he has 42 points (16 goals, 26 assists) during his current streak in seven fewer games.

**Prediction:** The streak ends Sunday against the Stars, the NHL's second-best defensive team. However, if Kane keeps it going this weekend, the Hawks don't play another top-flight defensive team until the Stars again March 9. That would be the 26th game of this streak.

## Denis Savard's team record for points in a season

Savard has the four highest season point totals in Hawks history. Kane seems likely to surpass at least one of those, but could he reach Savard's team-record 131 points set during the 1987-88 season?

It's going to be tough, but it's doable. Kane is on pace to finish with 124 points, which would be the second most in Hawks history. But Kane's points-per-game pace of slightly over 1.5 is lagging well behind the more than two points per game he has been scoring over the last two months. If we split the difference and Kane scores at a 1.75 PPG pace the rest of the way, he'd have 37 more points — and finish two behind Savard.

**Prediction:** Savvy's record is safe as Kane finishes with 125 points.

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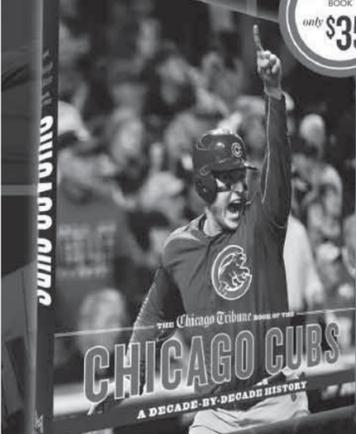
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## CALENDAR

TEAM	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
		MIL 2:05 AM-670	@SF 2:05 AM-670	@LAD (ss) 2:05 SD 2:05	ARI 2:05	@TEX 2:05	OAK 2:05
		LA (ss) 2:05 AM-720 @OAK 2:05	@SD 2:10	@SF 2:05 AM-720	KC 2:05	CIN 2:05	@SEA 2:10
	@ORL 6 WGN-9, AM-670	BOS 7 NBCSCH, AM-670		MIL 7 NBCSCH, AM-670		@MEM 7 NBCSCH, AM-670	
	COL 6:30 NBCSCH, AM-720		DAL 2 WGN-9, AM-720			@ANA 9 NBCSCH+, AM-720	

## FRIDAY ON TV/RADIO

**NBA**

**6 p.m.** Bulls at Magic WGN-9, WSCR-AM 670

**6 p.m.** Spurs at Raptors ESPN

**8:30 p.m.** Jazz at Thunder ESPN

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

**5:30 p.m.** Bowling Green at Ohio CBSN

**6 p.m.** Kent State at Buffalo ESPN2

**6 p.m.** Canisius at Monmouth ESPNU

**8 p.m.** Green Bay at UIC ESPNU

**8 p.m.** Davidson at Rhode Island ESPN2

**8 p.m.** Indiana at Iowa FSI

**IHSA GIRLS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

**11 a.m.** Class 1A: Eastland vs. Shiloh NBCSCH

**12:45 p.m.** Class 1A: Lewistown vs. Schlarman NBCSCH

**5:30 p.m.** Class 2A: Marshall vs. Hillsboro NBCSCH+

**7:15 p.m.** Class 2A: St. Joseph-Ogden vs. Teutopolis NBCSCH+

**GOLF**

**9:30 a.m.** Puerto Rico Open Golf Channel

**1 p.m.** WGC-Mexico Championship Golf Channel

**10:30 p.m.** Honda Thailand Golf Channel

**NHL**

**6:30 p.m.** Avalanche at Blackhawks NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720

**6:30 p.m.** Wild at Red Wings NHL Network

**COLLEGE HOCKEY**

**5:30 p.m.** Wisconsin at Penn State BTN

**5:30 p.m.** Ohio State at Michigan FSI

**7:30 p.m.** Minnesota-Duluth at North Dakota CBSN

**8 p.m.** Notre Dame at Minnesota BTN

**NASCAR**

**4 p.m.** Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500 qualifying FSI

**BUNDESLIGA SOCCER**

**1:20 p.m.** Werder Bremen vs. Stuttgart FS2

**PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER**

**1:40 p.m.** West Ham United vs. Fulham NBCSN

**TENNIS**

**7 a.m.** Delray-ATP, Rio de Janeiro-ATP Tennis Channel

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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

- Duke (23-3) did not play. Next: at Syracuse, Saturday.
- Gonzaga (26-2) beat Pepperdine 92-64. Next: vs. BYU Saturday.
- Virginia (23-2) did not play. Next: at No. 18 Louisville, Saturday.
- Kentucky (22-4) did not play. Next: vs. Auburn, Saturday.
- Tennessee (24-2) did not play. Next: at No. 13 LSU, Saturday.
- Nevada (24-2) did not play. Next: vs. Fresno State, Saturday.
- Michigan (24-3) beat Minnesota 69-60. Next: vs. No. 10 Michigan State Sunday.
- North Carolina (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Florida State, Saturday.
- Houston (25-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Florida, Saturday.
- Michigan State (22-5) did not play. Next: at No. 7 Michigan, Sunday.
- Marquette (22-4) did not play. Next: at Providence, Saturday.
- Kansas (20-6) did not play. Next: at No. 14 Texas Tech, Saturday.
- LSU (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Tennessee, Saturday.
- Texas Tech (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 12 Kansas, Saturday.
- Purdue (19-7) did not play. Next: at Nebraska, Saturday.
- Florida State (21-5) did not play. Next: at No. 8 North Carolina, Saturday.
- Villanova (20-7) did not play. Next: at Xavier, Sunday.
- Louisville (18-9) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia, Saturday.
- Indiana State (19-7) did not play. Next: at UT, Saturday.
- Virginia Tech (20-6) did not play. Next: at Notre Dame, Saturday.
- Illinois (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana, Friday.
- Arizona (18-8) did not play. Next: at Northwestern, Saturday.
- Kansas State (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.
- Maryland (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Ohio State, Saturday.
- Buffalo (23-3) did not play. Next: vs. Kent State, Friday.

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

- Baylor (24-2) did not play. Next: at No. 20 Iowa State, Saturday.
- Oregon (24-2) did not play. Next: vs. UCLA, Friday.
- UConn (24-2) did not play. Next: at Tulsa, Sunday.
- Louisville (24-2) beat Minnesota 74-61. Next: at No. 18 Louisville, Saturday.
- Notre Dame (25-3) beat Duke 89-61. Next: at No. 18 Syracuse, Monday.
- Mississippi State (24-2) beat Mississippi 80-66. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, Sunday.
- Stanford (21-4) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona, Friday.
- Maryland (24-3) beat Minnesota 74-61. Next: at Northwestern, Monday.
- Kansas State (23-3) beat Wake Forest 80-46. Next: at North Carolina, Sunday.
- Iowa (21-6) lost to Indiana 77-73. Next: at Nebraska, Monday.
- Marquette (22-4) did not play. Next: vs. Butler, Friday.
- South Carolina (19-7) lost to No. 16 Kentucky 65-57. Next: at Tennessee, Sunday.
- Arizona (22-6) lost to Virginia Tech 73-65. Next: vs. No. 22 Florida State, Sunday.
- Gonzaga (23-3) beat Santa Clara 74-61. Next: at San Francisco, Saturday.
- Kentucky (22-5) beat No. 13 South Carolina 65-57. Next: vs. LSU, Sunday.
- Arizona State (18-6) did not play. Next: at California, Friday.
- Syracuse (20-6) beat Pittsburgh 90-63. Next: vs. No. 5 Notre Dame, Monday.
- Texas (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.
- Iowa State (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Baylor, Saturday.
- Texas A&M (20-6) beat Tennessee 79-62. Next: at Florida, Monday.
- Florida State (21-5) did not play. Next: at No. 14 Miami, Sunday.
- South Dakota (24-3) beat Denver 73-58. Next: at South Dakota State, Sunday.
- Drake (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. Evansville, Friday.
- Rice (22-3) did not play. Next: at North Texas, Saturday.

**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

**MEN'S SCORES**

Binghamton 81, Mass.-Lowell 66  
Fairleigh Dickinson 81, Sacred Heart 63  
Hartford 70, New Hampshire 50  
Loyola (Md.) 79, Navy 70  
Northwestern 76, James Madison 60  
Robert Morris 62, LIU Brooklyn 49  
St. Francis (Pa.) 81, St. Francis Brooklyn 71  
UMBC 65, Vermont 56

**SOUTH**

Chattanooga 68, The Citadel 65  
ETSU 94, VMI 70  
Elon 84, UNC-Wilmington 77  
Jacksonville 81, UNC-Asheville 55  
Georgia St. 80, Appalachian St. 75  
Hampton 86, Longwood 66  
Mercer 65, Samford 62

**MIDWEST**

Cincinnati 60, UCF 55  
Grand Vall. St., N. Michigan 62  
Michigan 69, Minnesota 60  
S. Dakota St. 92, Purdue Fort Wayne 93  
St. Parkside 69, Lake Superior St. 58  
Wright St. 87, Cleveland St. 61

**WEST**

Arizona 76, California 51  
San Francisco 77, BYU 71

## TRANSACTIONS

**BASEBALL**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**Cleveland:** RHP Tyler Clippard agreed to minor league deal.

**Seattle:** Named Jessica Reid-Bateman director of security.

**Philadelphia:** 3B Trevor Plouffe agreed to minor league deal.

**San Diego:** Signed SS/3B Manny Machado for 10 years. Transferred RHP Dinesen Lamet to the 60-day IL.

**FRONTIER LEAGUE**

**Joliet:** Signed C Trey Fulton to extension.

**BASKETBALL**

**NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**

**New York:** Signed G John Jenkins.

**NBA G LEAGUE**

**Capital City:** Got F Dikembe Dixon and a 2019 third-round draft pick from Windy City for G Tavian Henderson and a 2019 fourth-round draft pick.

**FOOTBALL**

**NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

**Bears:** Cut TE Dion Sims.

**Buffalo:** Re-signed LB Dean Lacey.

**Carolina:** Signed S Damian Parham for 1 year.

**Cincinnati:** Named Lou Aranno defensive coordinator.

**Minnesota:** Named Christian Jones and AC Patterson offensive quality control coaches.

**New Orleans:** Cut S Kurt Coleman.

**XFL**

**Washington:** Named Pep Hamilton coach and general manager.

**HOCKEY**

**NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE**

**Anaheim:** Sent RW Patrick Eaves to San Diego (AHL).

**Dallas:** Reassigned G London Bow to Texas (AHL). Activated G Ben Bishop from IR.

**Los Angeles:** Recalled F Jonny Brodzinski from Ontario (AHL).

**Nashville:** Recalled F Tyler Gaudet from Milwaukee (AHL). Put F Craig Smith on IR.

**NX Rangers:** Recalled C-LW Liam Anderson from Hartford (AHL).

**Washington:** Got F Carl Hagelin from Kings for a 2019 third- and a conditional 2020 sixth-round draft pick.

**MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER**

**Columbus:** Promoted Ben Cross to assistant coach.

**FC Dallas:** Signed D Callum Montgomery.

**Los Angeles FC:** Signed G Phillip Ejdadi, D Lamar Batista and F Adrien Perez.

**NX Red Bulls:** Completed the transfer of F Anatole Bang to Nantong Zhuyun FC (China).

**Ottawa FC:** Signed G Jordan Tisserand.

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**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

CENTRAL	W	L	OL	SF	PT	GF	GA
G. Rapids	30	16	4	4	68	159	150
Iowa	28	16	6	4	66	177	156
WOLVES	29	17	5	1	64	179	148
Rockford	28	3	5	0	136	152	92
Texas	26	22	3	2	57	164	157
Milwaukee	23	21	9	1	56	143	151
Manitoba	25	23	2	5	139	162	152
San Antonio	24	23	5	0	53	135	152

2 points for a win, 1 point for an overtime/shootout loss.

**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**

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**FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Lehigh Valley at Charlotte, 6  
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 6  
Rochester at UIC, 6  
San Jose at Iowa, 6  
Texas at Grand Rapids, 6  
Toronto at Syracuse, 6  
Bellevue at Binghamton, 6:05  
Bridgeport at Providence, 6:05  
Hershey at WB/Saratoga, 6:05  
Springfield at Hartford, 6:15  
Manitoba at Laval, 6:30  
San Antonio at Ontario, 9

## LATEST LINE

**NBA**

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at Orlando 8  
at Charlotte 5  
at Indiana 7 1/2  
Minnesota 6  
at Toronto 3 1/2  
LA Clippers 2  
at Memphis 3 1/2  
at Okla. City 3 1/2

**FRIDAY Bulls**

Washington 8  
New Orleans 5  
San Antonio 6  
at New York 6  
at Atlanta 7  
at Dallas 7  
at Memphis 7  
at Utah 7

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

at Iupui 10  
at Brown Pk  
at Yale 10  
at Princeton 5 1/2  
at Penn State 5 1/2  
at Ill.-Chicago 4 1/2  
at Iowa 7  
Bowling Green 4 1/2  
at Las Vegas 16

**FRIDAY Milwaukee**

Harvard 10  
Dartmouth 10  
Cornell 10  
San Antonio 10  
Green Bay 10  
at Rhode Island 10  
Indiana 10  
Kent St 10

**NHL**

at Blackhawks -105  
at Columbus off  
at Detroit off  
at Calgary -245  
at Las Vegas -141

**FRIDAY Colorado**

Columbus off  
Minnesota off  
Anaheim +225  
Winnipeg +131

## TENNIS

**ATP DELRAY BEACH OPEN**

**R2 at Delray Beach Stadium & Tennis Center: Delray Beach, Fla., outdoor-hard**

#1 Juan Martin del Potro d. Reilly Opelka, 6-4, 6-4.

#4 Steve Johnson d. Paolo Lorenzi, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5.

Radu Albot d. Nick Kyrgios, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3

Mackenzie McDonald d. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, 7-5, 6-4

**ATP RIO OPEN**

**R2 at Jockey Club Brasileiro: Rio de Janeiro; outdoor-clay**

Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Laslo Djere d. Taro Daniel, 6-4, 6-2.

Casper Ruud d. Joao Sousa, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4

Pablo Cuevas d. Juan Ignacio Londero, 6-1, 6-4

**ATP OPEN 13 PROVENCE**

**R2 at Palais des Sports: Marseille, France; indoor-hard**

Ugo Humbert d. #2 Borna Coric, 6-3, 6-3.

#3 David Goffin d. Benoit Paire, 6-2, 6-3.

Matthias Bachinger d. #5 Fernando Verdasco, 6-4, 6-3.

Sergii Stakhovych d. Gregoire Barrere, 6-3, 6-4.

Andrey Rublev d. Matteo Berrettini, 6-3, 7-6 (2).

**WTA HUNGARIAN LADIES OPEN**

**R2 at Syma Hall; Budapest, Hungary; indoor-hard**

#1 Alison Van Uytvanck d. Iga Swiatek, 6-4, 7-5.

#5Katerina Alexandrova d. Arantxa Rus, 6-4, 6-0.

#8 Marketa Vondrovouca d. Anna Blinkova, 7-6 (5), 3-6, 6-3.

Irina-Camelia Begu d. Evgeniya Rodina, 6-2, 6-3.

Katerinya Kozlova d. Madison Brengle, 6-0, 6-1.

**WTA DUBAI DUTY FREE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**QF at Dubai Tennis Stadium; Dubai, United Arab Emirates; outdoor-hard**

#2 Petra Kvitová d. Viktoria Kuzmova, 6-4, 6-4.

Belinda Bencic d. #3 Simona Halep, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Hsieh Su-wei d. #4 Karolina Pliskova, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5.

#6 Elina Svitolina d. Carla Suarez Navarro, 6-2, 6-3.

**FOOTBALL**

**ALLIANCE OF AMERICAN FOOTBALL CLUB**

CLUB	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	58	40
Birmingham	2	0	0	1.000	38	20
Orlando	2	0	0	1.000	77	35
San Antonio	1	1	0	50.00	44	43
San Diego	1	0	0	1.000	30	25
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	18	64
Memphis	0	2	0	.000	18	46
Salt Lake	0	2	0	.000	31	50

**SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Arizona at Salt Lake, 2  
Memphis at Orlando, 2

**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Birmingham at Atlanta, 3  
San Antonio at San Diego, 3

**SOCCER**

**ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE**

CLUB	W	T	L	GF	GA	PTS
Man City	21	2	4	74	20	65
Liverpool	20	5	1	59	15	65
Tottenham	19	0	6	54	25	60
Manchester United	15	6	5	52	35	51
Arsenal	15	6	5	53	37	50
Chelsea	15	6	5	45	29	50
Wolverhampton	11	6	9	34	39	39
Brighton	7	4	15	24	27	27
Everton	9	6	12	36	39	33
West Ham	9	6	12	31	39	33
Bournemouth	10	3	13	37	47	33
Leicester	9	5	12	31	34	32
Crystal Palace	7	6	13	27	34	27
Brighton	7	6	13	28	39	27
Burnley	7	6	13	29	47	27
Newcastle	6	7	12	24	25	24
Cardiff	7	4	15	24	27	25
Southampton	5	9	12	28	44	24
Fulham	4	5	17	25	58	17
Huddersfield	2	5	19	18	48	11

**FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Cardiff vs. Watford, 1:45  
West Ham vs. Fulham, 1:45

**SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Burnley vs. Tottenham, 6:30 a.m.  
Newcastle vs. Huddersfield, 9 a.m.  
Bournemouth vs. Wolverhampton, 9 a.m.  
Fulham vs. Crystal Palace, 11:30 a.m.

**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE**

Chelsea vs. Brighton p.p.d.  
Man United vs. Liverpool, 8:05 a.m.  
Arsenal vs. Southampton, 8:05 a.m.

**CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

**Home team listed first; Home-and-home**

**FIRST LEG; Thursday's results**

Sporting KC (MLS) 3, Toluca 0  
Herediano 3, Atlanta (MLS) 1

**SECOND LEG; Tuesday's schedule**

Houston (MLS) vs. Guastatoya, 7  
Toronto vs. Atletico Independiente, 7  
Tigres vs. Tapachula, 9 a.m.  
76 (4-2)  
Lucas Bjerregaard 36-40  
NY Red Bulls (MLS) vs. Atletico Pantoja, 7  
Santos Laguna vs. Marathón, 7  
Monterrey vs. Alianza, 9

**THURSDAY, Feb. 28**

Atlanta (MLS) vs. Herediano, 7  
Toluca FC vs. Sporting KC (MLS), 9

**GOLF**

**WGC MEXICO CHAMPIONSHIP**

1st of 4 rnds; Chapultepec  
GC; Mexico City; 7:35 yds, par 71

**63 (8-7)**

Rory McIlroy 31-32  
Justin Thomas 32-34  
Matt Kuchar 33-33

**64 (7-7)**

David Lipsky 34-34  
Billy Horschel 35-33  
Ian Poulter 34-34

**69 (4-2)**

Kira Aeppli 36-33  
Gina Carraway 36-33  
Patton Kizzire 34-35  
HaoTong Li 32-37  
Cameron Smith 35-34  
Sergio Garcia 36-33  
Keegan Bradley 33-36  
Charles Howell III 36-33  
Richard Sterne 34-35

**70 (4-2)**

Aaron Rai 35-35  
Bubba Watson 33-37  
Tommy Fleetwood 36-34  
Louis Oosthuizen 35-35  
Lucy Bjerregaard 36-40  
Rafa Cabrera Belloc 37-39  
Shane Lowry 36-34

**71 (even)**

Griffin O'Connell 35-36  
Danny Willett 37-37  
Joost Luiten 34-34  
Gary Woodland 36-36  
Alex Noren 35-35  
Bridgeton Grace 35-35  
Phil Mickelson 35-36  
Abraham Ancer 35-36

## NHL

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

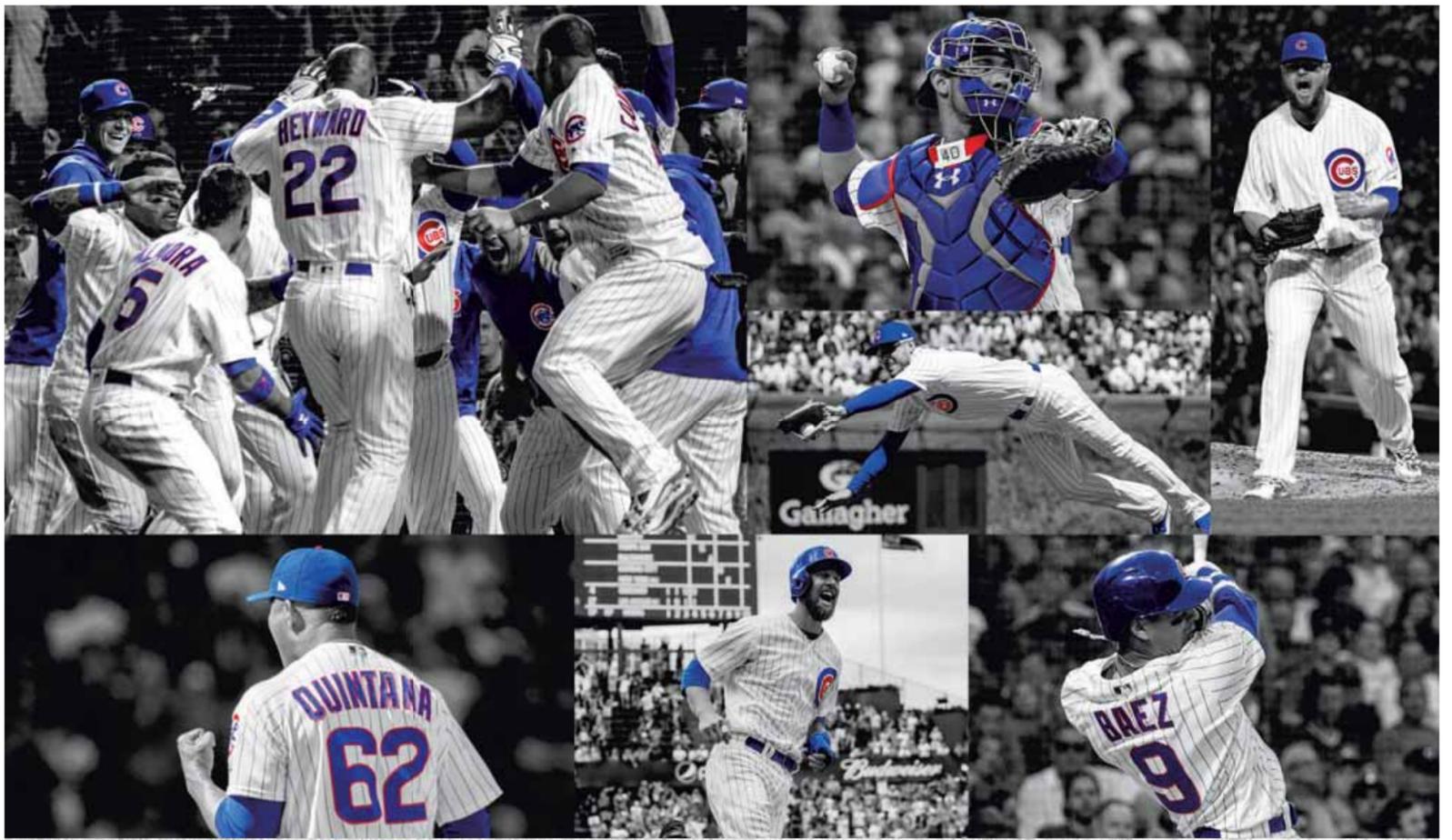
ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV
Tampa Bay	62	47	11	4	98	244	163	25-5-2	22-6-2	15-3-0
Boston	61	36	17	8	80	184	157	21-7-3	15-10-5	12-6-2
Toronto	60	36	20	4	76	210	170	17-12-1	19-8-3	9-6-3
Montreal	61	33	21	7	73	184	177	19-10-4	14-11-3	9-7-5
Buffalo	60	28	24	8	64	171	187	17-9-4	11-15-4	9-7-4
Florida	59	26	25	8	60	184	203	15-11-15	11-14-3	11-6-3
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# — eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



GREGORY BULL/AP

Guard Josh Perkins is one of two players on Gonzaga who played in the 2017 national championship game. The Bulldogs have lots of experience on their roster and have just two losses.

## Veteran teams poised to make deep March runs

BY JOHN MARSHALL  
Associated Press

Buffalo's coaches spent part of Tuesday morning's walkthrough going over defensive assignments, making sure the players were prepared for that night's game against Ohio.

As the players moved to their various spots at the coaches' direction, senior guard Dontay Caruthers began telling sophomore Dominic Johnson where to go and what to expect from the Bobcats. In his third season at Buffalo and a former MAC defensive player of the year, Caruthers was spot on with his instructions to Johnson, a walk-on from the football team.

"He was doing a great job," Bulls coach Nate Oats said. "I mean, it was as good as any assistant coach would do on anything."

Top-ranked Duke has garnered plenty of attention this season with its quartet of one-and-done freshmen who seem to play with poise beyond their years.

The rest of the AP Top 25 is dotted with veteran teams — at least by college basketball standards — primed to make deep March runs.

No. 2 Gonzaga is led by Josh Perkins and Brandon Clarke, who played on the 2016-17 team that reached the national championship game. So did Killian Tillie, who's out for the second time this season with a foot injury. All-America candidate Rui Hashimura saw limited action in 28 games that season and sophomore guard Zach Norvell watched it all from the bench as a redshirt.

The Zags have lost twice all season, won 17 straight and were a No. 1 seed in the NCAA selection committee's initial rankings.

"I feel it is much easier on the coaches not having to teach all that basic stuff," Clarke said. "They are able to dive into the harder stuff. Experience is something you can't buy or train for. It's something you have to get."

No. 3 Virginia was on the wrong end of an all-time college basketball upset by losing to UMBC in the NCAA tournament's first round, but has nearly everyone back and plenty of motivation for redemption. The Cavaliers also have two losses and were slated as a No. 1 seed.

Fifth-ranked Tennessee has its top six scorers back from last year's surprising SEC title team, led by senior Admiral Schofield, juniors Grant Williams and Jordan Bone. The Vols were a No. 1 seed in the initial rankings and spent four weeks at No. 1 in the AP poll.

Nevada got a huge boost when



TONY DEJAK/AP

Senior guard Dontay Caruthers brings leadership to Buffalo, which he's helped make a legitimate contender for a run in the NCAAs.

the Martin twins and Jordan Caroline decided to return. Coach Eric Musselman surrounded them with experienced transfers and the sixth-ranked Wolf Pack have looked like Final Four contenders.

Oats' Bulls returned five of their top six scorers from a team that knocked off Arizona in the first round of last year's NCAA tournament. Buffalo has been ranked since the first regular-season poll — No. 25 this week — and is in position to reach the NCAA tournament even if it doesn't earn an automatic bid by winning the MAC tournament.

The biggest difference for the Bulls: defense. Buffalo was 134th in Division I in KenPom's defensive efficiency rankings and is up to No. 32 this season.

"I think the defensive side of it comes from having that experience that veteran leadership that understands that the importance of guarding people," Oats said. "Your offense can come and go on any given night, but your defense needs to be there every night."

The veteran influence starts in

the planning stages.

No matter how high-rated a freshman is, there's always a learning curve when arriving at college. Not only do they have to adjust to academic life, but the rigors of playing high-level college basketball. That's why teams loaded with freshmen — Duke being a notable exception — often end up better at the end of the season than they were when it started.

Veteran teams hit the court running.

They know the plays, the expectations, even the conditioning requirements. Instead of repeatedly going over basics with young players, coaches with veteran teams can dive into more intricate aspects of the game.

It works game to game, too. Veteran players have seen some of the opponents on the schedule before, know their tendencies, know how the coaching staff wants attack them on offense and defense.

"When you have veteran guys who are used to a detailed scouting report, it certainly makes it



JAMES CRISP/AP

Senior Admiral Schofield helped Tennessee win a surprise SEC title season. Now, he and several other returners have the Vols ranked No. 5.

easier," Musselman said. "A high school player comes to the college ranks, the scouting is not nearly as detailed. The attention to detail on defensive footwork, rotations and pick-and-roll coverages is much more complex, much as it is when a player goes from college to the NBA."

There's a big difference physically and mentally, too.

High school players often arrive at college skinny, looking nothing like they will as future upperclassmen or future pros. Working with a collegiate-level strength coach and the natural maturation of the human body turns scrawny freshmen into beefed-up upperclassmen who won't get pushed around.

The mental maturation follows a similar strain.

Players who were high school-

less than a year earlier can be overwhelmed by the spotlight, shrinking in the face of hostile environments and at big moments.

Veteran players have been in arenas where 12,000 people are screaming for them to fail, experienced the white-knuckle moments in the closing minutes that usually determine who wins or loses.

"They've been down, they've been up, they've been in loud crowds on the road, at home and I think there's no substitute," Virginia coach Tony Bennett said. "It's invaluable to have all the experiences that they have."

AP Sports Writers Hank Kurz in Richmond, Virginia, and Nick Geranios in Spokane, Washington, contributed to this story.

# — eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



NATHAN DENETTE/AP PHOTOS

Blue Jays infielder Vladimir Guerrero Jr. arrives for a spring training workout last week in Dunedin, Fla. Guerrero carries a ton of promise, and fans will see him this season.

BY DAVE SHEININ  
The Washington Post

**D**UNEDIN, Fla. — It is difficult to describe the breathtaking majesty of the blast off the bat of Vladimir Guerrero Jr. just before 1 p.m. Thursday on a back field at the Blue Jays' spring training facility.

But it was into a steady wind, to straightaway center field, seemingly still rising as it struck near the top of the black mesh "batter's eye" above the wall, some 30 or so feet off the ground. If 20 people witnessed the feat, then 20 people simultaneously formed the word "wow" with their mouths.

If that doesn't do it justice, perhaps this will: A Blue Jays employee happened to be aiming a radar-tracking device toward the plate and holding a monitor displaying exit velocities during this batting practice session. And when the session ended, that employee relayed the speed off the bat of that particular blast: 118 mph.

And if that still doesn't drive home the point, perhaps this will: In the entire 2018 Major League Baseball regular season, only two home runs, both of them by the Yankees' Giancarlo Stanton, were struck at a higher exit velocity than the ball Guerrero hit Thursday off a batting-practice pitcher lobbing 60-mph fastballs.

The singular talent of Vladimir Guerrero Jr. to hit baseballs harder and more consistently than practically any human being currently walking the earth — with the possible exception of his father and namesake, the Hall of Fame outfielder — is best experienced up close, from behind a batting cage on a warm spring day in Florida. That talent is the reason Guerrero is, less than a month shy of his 20th birthday, the consensus top prospect in baseball — a third baseman with "the ceiling of a perennial MVP candidate," according to MLB Pipeline.

"The hype," said Blue Jays shortstop prospect Bo Bichette, another consensus top-20 prospect, who has come through the minor leagues with Guerrero and thus has perhaps seen more of his professional at-bats than anyone, "is real."

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Vladimir Guerrero Jr. lays into a swing during batting practice at the Blue Jays' facility in Dunedin, Fla. He'll no doubt start the year in the minors but should be promoted soon.

"But he hits this low line drive off the left field wall. It was loud. It was just the way he was able to watch the hitters before, kind of diagnose what the pitcher was doing. It just seems like, for his age, he's a little more mature as far as his approach, and the way he's able to watch a game and make adjustments from pitch to pitch."

But if the best way to experience Guerrero is up close, the worst way (aside from having to pitch to him, of course) is through the lens of baseball's antiquated, repressive service-time rules — which, unfortunately, is how much of the greater baseball community is experiencing Guerrero these days.

As fans in Toronto and far beyond know by now, the Blue Jays failed to bring Guerrero to the majors in 2018, even after he hit 402 with a 1.120 OPS during a New Hampshire, then went to Triple-A Buffalo and hit .336 with a .978 OPS.

And despite the fact he would likely be the Blue Jays' best hitter from the first day of the 2019 season — Fangraph's "Steamer" projection algorithm has him being worth 4.7 wins above replacement this year, one spot below

Nolan Arenado and one above Aaron Judge — they will almost certainly return him to Buffalo at the end of spring and keep him there for about 15 days.

Why 15 days? Because that is how long, by rule, the Blue Jays must keep Guerrero in the minors to delay his free agency by a full year — essentially guaranteeing themselves a seventh year of his big-league services. The rule is unfair to Guerrero and every Blue Jays player and fan.

It's also unfair, in a sense, to Ross Atkins, the Blue Jays general manager. He must stand in front of cameras and invent reasons it might be prudent to start Guerrero back in the minors — when Guerrero has already dominated.

In truth, given the rules that are in place, it would amount to malpractice, as the top baseball executive of a mid-revenues team, for him to bring Guerrero to the majors on opening day and cost the Blue Jays an extra year of his services.

"We want to make sure he's the best possible third baseman (and) best possible hitter he can be," Atkins told reporters in a

news conference at the start of camp.

In the present labor atmosphere — which, owing largely to the stagnation of the last two free-agent markets, is as acrimonious as at any point since the 1994-95 players strike — the manipulation of service time to essentially delay a player's free agency is just one more flashpoint.

It isn't only the Blue Jays. In recent years, the Cubs did it with Kris Bryant and the Braves with Ronald Acuna Jr.

"Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and other great young talents around baseball have earned the right to play on the field for a major-league team," the union said in a statement. "The decision not to bring him up is a business decision, not a baseball decision. It's bad for the Blue Jays, it's bad for fans, it's bad for players and it's bad for the industry."

Atkins acknowledged the tense labor atmosphere "no doubt influences the way fans are thinking about the decision-making and how the players are thinking about the decision-making."

Guerrero has publicly brushed off the concerns, telling reporters through a translator, "That's their decision and my only job is to come here, get better, work hard and be ready."

The Blue Jays have already built a strong support system around their budding superstar. His locker this spring sits in a row of older Latin players, anchored by veteran designated hitter Kendrys Morales, who played with Vladimir Sr. for the Angels.

The Blue Jays' rookie manager, Charlie Montoyo, mentored the elder Guerrero when they played together in the Expos' farm system. When asked who was the best young player, aside from Guerrero Jr., that he'd ever been around, Montoyo, 53, replied, "His dad."

At batting practice Thursday, the younger Guerrero wore a semi-permanent smile below his signature blond-tipped hair. Otherwise, he would not have stood out — he is listed at 6-foot-1, 200 pounds, but a Blue Jays official said he is closer to 240 — until he stepped into the batter's box.

"What jumps out at you," Atkins said, "is how consistently he hits the ball square, at just the right point of his swing."

It was one of those squared-up swings, at just the right point, that produced the line drive off the batter's eye, the home run that would have been the third-hardest-hit in baseball in 2018.

The Guerrero era is coming — circle April 12, the 16th day of the major-league season, on your calendar — and when it does, it's going to be something to behold.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'An Inspector Calls' ★★★★★

# Echoes of modern strife in 1912 England

West End masterpiece, now at Navy Pier, still has the power to shock

By CHRIS JONES  
 Chicago Tribune

Director Stephen Daldry's heart-stopping deconstruction of the post-war J.B. Priestley thriller "An Inspector Calls" was, for my money, one of the best English-language productions of the 1990s, a spectacular staging that blew away decades of dust and theatrical mediocrity, reclaimed a then-faded Priestley as a politically engaged writer very much in the socialist tradition of his native

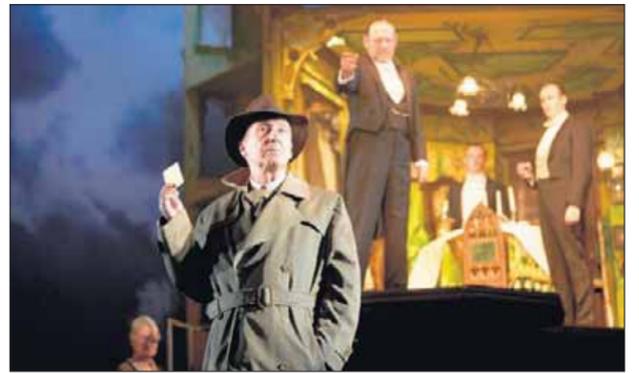
Northern England and — simply put — was a reminder of all that live theater can achieve, assuming it is ambitious enough to demand both our attention and our souls.

This was not a minority opinion. Daldry (who would go to direct "Billy Elliot") saw his growing hit start at the National Theatre of Great Britain (where I first saw it in 1992), move to the West End of London, and then to Broadway. "An Inspector Calls" even was one of the very few revivals of a play in recent memories to have a national tour: I last saw this production, this indictment of privilege and complacency, at the Chicago Theatre in 1995.

I never dreamed the inspector would be calling again some 14 years later under the same director (or his associates, at least), but there we all were on Wednesday night at The Yard at Chicago Shakespeare Theater, a much cozier and more immersive home for this revelatory masterpiece, watching a fine company of mostly old-school actors from the National, the company that wisely has retained ownership of the show.

So what is this thing? Here's the set-up. A bourgeois provincial family in 1912 is celebrating an engagement and maybe an align-

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MARK DOUET PHOTO

Liam Brennan, Jeff Harmer, Hamish Riddle and Andrew Macklin in "An Inspector Calls" at Navy Pier's Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

# What does a movie producer actually do?

And why are they so important?



NINA METZ  
 Chicago Close-up

When the best picture winner is announced at the Oscars on Sunday, the statues will go to the film's producers. Fundamentally, it's the producers who got the film made.

But what does that even mean? It's not not hard to suss out what a director does — or a costume designer, or a screen-

writer or an editor. But a producer? What does a producer actually do?

"I get this question all the time and I can answer it differently every time because every project is different," said Robert Teitel, a longtime producer and Chicago native whose credits include the movies "Soul Food," the "Barbershop" franchise and most recently "The Hate U Give."

"I use a sports analogy," he said. "The studio or whoever finances the movie is the team owner. The director is the coach. The star is your star athlete. And the producer is the general manager. If you use the Cubs as an example, I'm Theo Epstein. I put it all together, while staying in the background."

According to the Producers Guild of America (PGA), "produced by" is the highest producing credit on a movie and it goes to the person (sometimes multiple people) most responsible for a film's production, from soup to nuts.

Here's what that entails:

- Conceiving the movie's premise, or securing the rights to a movie's source material (a script or book to be adapted or someone's life rights).
- Lining up initial financing.
- If there's no script, hiring a screenwriter to bring the story to life and then working with that writer through a development process, which might mean bringing more writers on to the project.
- When the script is ready, hiring the creative team — which includes the director, cast and crew department heads.
- Once filming begins, supervising the day-to-day operations on set.
- And when the film is in post-production, working with the creative team on that end (editor, composer, visual effects supervisor), as well as people on the business side who are focused on marketing and distributing the movie.

That's a lot to juggle.

"Either way, if I've conceptually come up with the idea or I found the material, I'm handing over the reins to the director because the director has to take charge," said Teitel. "Theo Epstein isn't telling Joe Maddon what plays to call or who to have pitch in the ninth inning. It's



DAN MACMEDAN/WIREIMAGE

Director Guillermo del Toro, left, and producer J. Miles Dale took home the Oscar for best picture last year for "The Shape of Water." Del Toro is also credited as a producer for the film.

the same for a producer."

But wait: Directors are sometimes producers as well. At Teitel's production company, State Street Pictures, his longtime collaborator and business partner George Tillman Jr. often produces *and* directs their projects, as was the case with "The Hate U Give."

"If a director has a producer credit, it means they were more involved than just being a director — they were part of the whole process," said Teitel.

"You can be a director-for-hire; some directors just come in when the movie is already cast and moving along. And some directors just want to stick to being a director — it's hard enough to do what they do. But sometimes they contribute more than just being a director, they contribute as a producer. What you have to look at is, conceptually how did the project come in? Did that director write the script? Did that director put it together? Did that director find the material? Did that director find the studio? Or was that director hired later on in the process? Every movie's different. And a lot of times directors are partners with a producer, like me

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'HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON: THE HIDDEN WORLD' ★★★★★

## A warm, gratifying ending for the trilogy

Tale of Viking and his winged cohort gets a high-flying finish

By MICHAEL PHILLIPS  
 Chicago Tribune

You never know which trilogy will, in fact, call it quits after round three. After that viciously sentimental and ruthlessly prolonged farewell in Disney-Pixar's "Toy Story 3," for example, you might assume that goodbye means goodbye. But the movie made a billion plus change worldwide, which means "goodbye" is really "why would we leave?" And "Toy Story 4" comes out this summer.

So who's to say if "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World" will be the last of its ilk? I'm torn. I kind of hope it isn't the last, since the three DreamWorks Animation "Dragon" movies, in the aggregate, have done their job in style. The future's not ours to see, as the song says, but a few years from now I'd be happy to revisit this franchise. Which is more than I can say for "Ice Age."

Then again: I kind of hope this is goodbye. Though not quite up to its predecessors, writer-director Dean DeBlois lands the sequel very nicely, on a warm and gratifying resolution to the tale of Hiccup, the improbable Viking leader, and Toothless, the inky-black dragon who has been his friend, protector and fetching machine since the first "Dragon" movie in 2010.

The key word in "Dragon 3" is "bustle." The town of Berk, where dragons (formerly hunted by the Vikings) and humans coexist peacefully, has become dangerously overcrowded. There's a new enemy afoot: the dragon slayer Grimmel. There's a new quest: Hiccup and his reluctant cohorts set out to find the hidden world where the dragons can live on their own, away from deadly human intervention.

As before, the voice work excels. Jay Baruchel's Hiccup, America Ferrera's Astrid (they're a full-on couple now, picking up a year after the second movie's timeline) and Kristen Wiig's amusingly aggravating Ruffnut lead a busy ensemble. F. Murray Abraham's vaguely Lugosi-esque intonations as Grimmel may be slightly at odds with the Max Von Sydow-ish visualization of the antagonist, but whatever.

With crack cinematographer Roger Deakins continuing his role as visual adviser, "Dragon 3" pours on the lavishly imagined scenes of

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Terry Sanderson alleges that he was injured by Gwyneth Paltrow in a skiing accident in Utah in 2016.

## Paltrow says skiing lawsuit exploitative

Gwyneth Paltrow said Wednesday in a court filing that a man who accused her in a lawsuit of crashing into him at a Utah ski resort was actually the culprit in the collision and is trying to exploit her celebrity and wealth.

Paltrow was skiing in 2016 during a family vacation on a beginner run at Deer Valley Resort in Park City, Utah, when Terry Sanderson smashed into her from behind and delivered a full “body blow,” the actress’ attorney alleged in a counterclaim. Paltrow said she was shaken by the collision and quit skiing for the day. She said Sanderson apologized and said he was fine, her response to Sanderson’s lawsuit said. Paltrow previously denied blame for the crash in a statement but had not offered a full version of the events.

The actress said her injuries were minor and that she is seeking “symbolic damages” of \$1 plus costs for her lawyers’ fees. She said Sanderson made a “meritless claim.” Her legal response to Sanderson also called his lawsuit an “attempt to exploit her celebrity and wealth.”

Paltrow’s account differs greatly from the sequence of the events on Feb. 26, 2016, alleged by Sanderson in his lawsuit filed last month. He said Paltrow was skiing out of control and knocked him out, leaving him with a concussion and four broken ribs. He is seeking \$3.1 million in damages.

— Associated Press



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**Hemsworth to play Hogan:** Netflix is in the early stages of developing a Hulk Hogan biopic with Chris Hemsworth attached to star as the wrestling legend. Netflix has obtained the exclusive life rights and consulting services from Terry Gene Bollea, aka Hulk Hogan. Todd Phillips, whose credits include “The Hangover” trilogy, is attached to direct. The project is expected to deal with the formative years of Hogan’s ascent into fame.

**Wilson joins Amazon series:** Rainn Wilson has been cast in a lead role in the upcoming Amazon series “Utopia.” The show follows a group of young adults who meet online and are mercilessly hunted by a shadowy deep state organization after they come into possession of a near-mythical cult underground graphic novel. Wilson is best known for his role as Dwight Schrute on the NBC series “The Office.”

**Amal Clooney celebrates Markle’s baby shower:** The not-so-secret baby shower for the Duchess of Sussex has apparently occurred, with Gayle King and Amal Clooney among an intimate group of friends gathered in Manhattan’s Upper East Side. The smiling Meghan Markle has been surrounded by fans and photographers since news of her whirlwind trip to the city surfaced Monday. The 37-year-old duchess is due in late April.

**Feb. 22 birthdays:** Actor Kyle MacLachlan is 60. Comedian Rachel Dratch is 53. Singer James Blunt is 45. Actress Drew Barrymore is 44. Actor Zach Roerig is 34.



# ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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## Nurse urges everyone to immunize

**Dear Readers:** I’ve stepped away from the Ask Amy column for two weeks to work on a new writing project. I hope you enjoy these edited “best of” columns in my absence. The questions and answers were first published 10 years ago. Today’s topic is: wellness.

**Dear Amy:** As a public health nurse and mother of four, I spend a lot of time talking about germs and staying healthy. With seasonal flu, H1N1 and nasty germs such as MRSA in the community, I am amazed that people bring newborns to the mall or grocery store and pass them around. For the mom who wrote you, if she kept her young one home, strangers touching her baby would not be an issue.

Children younger than 6 months do not have a fully working immune system. They should not be out in crowds. People with infants at home (or caregivers) should get their flu shots. By having everyone who comes into contact with the baby immunized, it protects the baby who cannot get the shots. This is called “herd immunity.”

If you love them, immunize. If they are too young to be immunized, protect them by keeping them away from public places.

— Nurse in California

**Dear Nurse:** According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, around 36,000 Americans die of flu-related causes each year. Some working parents have no choice but to bring their babies out into the world. Because of this, the larger community should do everything possible to help protect them. Thank you for your advocacy. (October 2009)

**Dear Amy:** How should I handle a friend who is bipolar? She is fine until she goes off her medication; then she becomes nasty and hateful, and I am not sure how to forgive her for what she has said.

— Put-upon Friend

**Dear Put-upon:** Bipolar disorder is a serious illness that can respond well to treatment. The mood and behavior swings that people with bipolar disorder experience can strain relationships. Your friend is responsible for maintaining her health and taking her medication to control her illness, and your responsibility is to be understanding of her health issues and inform her when she is behaving in a way that harms your friendship. When your friend goes off her meds and abuses you, remind her of how her actions affect you. Discuss this when she is stable. Ask her to pay closer attention to her treatment and offer to help. The illness may explain her behavior, but her burden is to acknowledge and apologize.

The National Institute of Mental Health (nimh.nih.gov) offers a full description of this illness. (September 2009)

**Dear Amy:** I am a nurse and worked for a doctor for 34 years. He gave me a generous severance. My son stole most of it because he is a drug addict. He is in rehab now and is OK so far. Then my husband of 27 years moved out because he feels he is “not good at

marriage.” He has been distant to me since his retirement (five years ago). My daughter lives two states away. We have a hard time talking. She is close to her father.

I feel as if I have been a good wife and mother. I don’t know what went wrong. I have a group of friends I enjoy, but the loss of my family is consuming me. Any advice on how to get through this?

— Sad Mom

**Dear Sad:** These challenging periods offer us opportunities for growth. It’s hard to see it that way when you’ve just been pummeled, but in life, we either adjust or we remain stuck in our sadness.

You could start by doing some soul-searching to see what you should take responsibility for and what you should let go. Give yourself the fresh start that each of us deserves.

Let your healthy relationships sustain and propel you. Seek opportunities to work or volunteer, helping other people. Your nursing skills would be welcomed by any number of organizations. Being useful to others will help you feel better about yourself. (May 2009)

**Dear Readers:** Are you curious about my background and life? Read my two memoirs, “The Mighty Queens of Freeville” and “Strangers Tend to Tell Me Things,” available wherever books are sold or borrowed.

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### PETER TORK 1942-2019

# Folk musician best known for TV band the Monkees

By HARRISON SMITH  
The Washington Post

Peter Tork, a blues and folk musician who became a teeny-bopper sensation as a member of the Monkees, the wisecracking, made-for-TV pop group that imitated and briefly outsold the Beatles, died Feb. 21. He was 77.

His death was confirmed by his sister Anne Thorkelson, who did not say where or how he died.

Tork was diagnosed with adenoid cystic carcinoma, a rare cancer affecting his tongue, in 2009.

If the Monkees were a manufactured version of the Beatles, a “prefab four” who auditioned for a rock ‘n’ roll sitcom and were selected more for their long-haired good looks than their musical abilities, Tork was the group’s Ringo, its lovably goofy supporting player.

A versatile multi-instru-

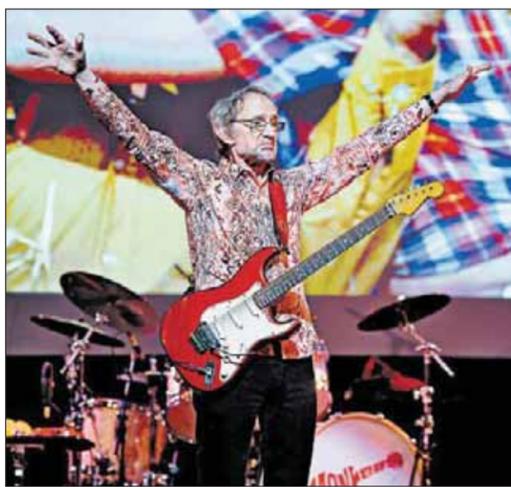
mental, Tork mostly played bass and keyboard for the Monkees.

At 24, he was also the band’s oldest member when “The Monkees” premiered on NBC in 1966. Not that it mattered: “The emotional age of all of us,” he told The New York Times that year, “is 13.”

Created by producers Bob Rafelson and Bert Schneider, “The Monkees” was designed to replicate the success of “A Hard Day’s Night” and “Help!” — director Richard Lester’s musical comedies about the Beatles.

The band featured Tork alongside Michael Nesmith, a singer-songwriter who played guitar, and former child actors Micky Dolenz and Davy Jones, who played the drums and sang lead, respectively.

“The Monkees” ran for only two seasons but won an Emmy Award for out-



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Peter Tork of the Monkees performs in 2016 in New York City. The made-for-TV band’s show aired for two seasons.

standing comedy. In 1967, according to one report in The Washington Post, the Monkees sold 35 million albums — “twice as many

as the Beatles and Rolling Stones combined” — on the strength of songs such as “Daydream Believer,” “I’m a Believer” and “Last Train to Clarksville,” which all rose to No. 1 on the Billboard record chart.

While the band scored a total of six Top 10 songs and five Top 10 albums, it engendered as much critical scorn as commercial success.

Detractors pointed to the fact that the band, at least initially, existed only in name. While the Monkees appeared on the cover

of their debut album and were shown performing on TV, their instruments were unplugged. The songs were mostly done by session musicians — much to the shock of Tork.

After the release of the band’s second album, “More of the Monkees” (1967), Tork and his bandmates wrested control of the recording process. They also started touring, playing to sold-out stadium crowds and backed by opening acts that briefly included guitarist Jimi Hendrix.

But as Tork’s musical ambitions grew, and he began to clash with bandmates who saw the Monkees as more of a novelty act. He left the group soon after the release of “Head,” a satirical, nearly plot-free film flop that featured a screenplay co-written by actor Jack Nicholson.

For much of the 1970s, Tork struggled to find his own way. He formed an unsuccessful band called Release, was imprisoned for several months in 1972 after being caught with “\$3 worth of hashish in my pocket,” and worked as a high school teacher and “singing waiter” as his Monkees wealth dried up. He said he struggled with alcohol addiction before quitting in the early 1980s.

By then, television reruns and album reissues had fueled a resurgence of interest in the Monkees, and Tork had come around to what he described as the essential nature of the music group, which he joined for major reunion tours about once a decade, beginning in the mid-’80s. Tork also performed during that time as a solo artist.

Tork’s marriages to Jody Babb, Reine Stewart and Barbara Lannoli ended in divorce. In addition to his sister, survivors include his wife, Pamela Grapes, two daughters, a son and a brother.

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# IT'S OSCAR

# QUIZ TIME!

By MARK CARO | Chicago Tribune

The Oscar quiz is here to rock you. Will you be the champion? Or bite the dust? You're under pressure. So play the game. (Note: Years mentioned refer to when a movie was released, not when the Academy Awards show was telecast — i.e. the 2018 awards air Sunday.)

**1.** "Black Panther," the first comic-book movie nominated for best picture, received seven nominations overall. Which comic-book movie has won the most Oscars?

- "The Dark Knight"
- "Dick Tracy"
- "Spider-Man 2"
- "Superman" (1978)

**2.** Rami Malek is a best actor nominee for playing Freddie Mercury from Queen. Which music star was not portrayed in an Oscar-winning performance?

- Johnny Cash
- June Carter Cash
- Ray Charles
- Loretta Lynn

**3.** "A Star Is Born" is up for eight Oscars. Which previous "A Star Is Born" received the most Oscar nominations?

- The 1976 version starring Barbra Streisand and Kris Kristofferson
- The 1954 version starring Judy Garland and James Mason
- The 1937 version starring Janet Gaynor and Frederic March
- The 1976 and 1954 versions were tied.

**4.** With Yalitza Aparicio and Marina de Tavira from "Roma" nominated for best actress and supporting actress, respectively, this is the first year with two Mexican-born acting nominees. Who is *not* a Mexico-born actress previously nominated for an Academy Award?

- Adriana Barraza
- Salma Hayek
- Rita Moreno
- Lupita Nyong'o

**5.** This year's telecast is going hostless. Which is *not* true about the last time the Oscars telecast didn't have a host?

- The opening number featured Rob Lowe and an actress dressed up as Snow White singing a rewritten version of "Proud Mary."
- It marked the final public appearance of Lucille Ball.
- It boasted higher ratings than the preceding or following year's shows.
- With the Writers Guild of America on strike, comedian presenters were encouraged to ad lib.

**6.** Pawel Pawlikowski is a best director nominee even though his film, "Cold War," is not up for best picture. Since the best picture category expanded to a maximum of 10 nominees in 2009, who is the only other director to be nominated for a movie not in the best picture category?

- Woody Allen, "Midnight in Paris"
- Michael Haneke, "Amour"
- Bennett Miller, "Foxcatcher"
- Benh Zeitlin, "Beasts of the Southern Wild"

**7.** Which of the following is *not* true about best actress nominee Glenn Close ("The Wife")?

- She has more Oscar nominations without a win than any other living actor.
- She has lost twice to Meryl Streep.
- She has won three Tony Awards, three Primetime Emmy Awards and three Golden Globe Awards.
- She received her first nomination for playing Robin Williams' mother in "The World According to Garp" even though she was just four years older than the actor.

**8.** Spike Lee received three Oscar nominations for "BlacKkKlansman": best picture, director and adapted screenplay. He previously has received just two Oscar nominations — for what?

- Original screenplay ("Do the Right Thing") and documentary feature ("Four Little Girls")
- Adapted screenplay and director ("Malcolm X")
- Adapted screenplay ("Malcolm X") and original screenplay ("Do the Right Thing")
- Director ("Do the Right Thing") and documentary feature ("When the Levee Breaks")

**9.** "Roma" is nominated for best picture and best foreign-language film. Which movie did *not* receive nominations in both categories?

- "Amour"
- "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon"
- "Il Postino (The Postman)"
- "The Emigrants"

**10.** Who is *not* a first-time Oscar nominee this year?

- Sam Elliott
- Richard E. Grant
- Kendrick Lamar
- Yorgos Lanthimos

**11.** Peter Farrelly's "Green Book" is nominated for five Oscars, with the director up for best picture and original screenplay. Which of Farrelly's previous movies scored at least one Oscar nomination?

- "Dumb and Dumber"
- "There's Something About Mary"
- "Fever Pitch"
- None of them

**12.** Four of this year's best actor nominees portray a real-life figure; only Bradley Cooper's Jackson Maine ("A Star Is Born") is fictional. Of the previous six best actor winners, how many played real-life characters?

- 6
- 5
- 3
- 1

**13.** Two of this year's best actress nominees portray a real-life figure: Olivia Colman as Queen Anne ("The Favourite") and Melissa McCarthy as writer Lee Israel ("Can You Ever Forgive Me?"). Of the previous six best actress winners, how many played real-life characters?

- 6
- 4
- 2
- 0

**14.** Paul Schrader is a best screenplay nominee for "First Reformed." For which movie did he receive his *first* screenplay nomination?

- "Taxi Driver"
- "Raging Bull"
- "The Last Temptation of Christ"
- "First Reformed"

**15.** Alfonso Cuaron won this year's Directors Guild of America award for "Roma." Over the previous 15 years, who is the only DGA winner who didn't subsequently win the best director Oscar?

- Ben Affleck
- James Cameron
- David Fincher
- Richard Linklater

**16.** If Cuaron wins best director for "Roma," he will be the fifth Mexican winner in that category in the past six years. Who was the only non-Mexican winner over that time frame?

- Damien Chazelle, "La La Land"
- Ang Lee, "Life of Pi"
- Tom McCarthy, "Spotlight"
- Steve McQueen, "12 Years a Slave"

**17.** Diane Warren received her 10th best song nomination for "I'll Fight" (from "RBG"), with no wins so far. For which movie did Warren *not* receive a best song nomination?

- "Beyond the Lights"
- "Burlesque"
- "The Hunting Ground"
- "Mannequin"

**18.** In which animated film did two of this year's acting nominees do voice work?

- "Barnyard"
- "The Good Dinosaur"
- "Marmaduke"
- "Rock Dog"

**19.** Seven of this year's acting nominees portray LGBTQ characters: Rami Malek ("Bohemian Rhapsody"), Mahershala Ali ("Green Book"), Melissa McCarthy and Richard E. Grant ("Can You Ever Forgive Me?") and Olivia Colman, Emma Stone and Rachel Weisz ("The Favourite"). Who did *not* win an Oscar for portraying an LGBTQ character?

- Kathy Bates
- Tom Hanks
- Sean Penn
- Charlize Theron

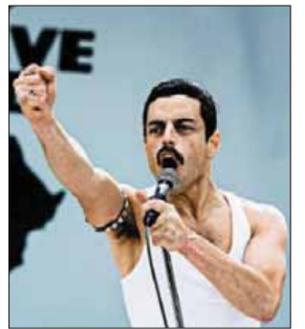
**20.** Which of the following is *not* true about best supporting actress nominee Regina King ("If Beale Street Could Talk")?

- She played the love interest of two actors who won Oscars for their performances.
- She has won three Primetime Emmy Awards.
- She directed an episode of "This Is Us."
- She acted in John Singleton's "Boyz n the Hood," "Poetic Justice," "Higher Learning" and "Shaft."

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ALEX BAILEY/TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX  
Rami Malek as Freddie Mercury in "Bohemian Rhapsody."



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Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga in "A Star Is Born."



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FOR THE WASHINGTON POST  
Spike Lee received three nominations for "BlacKkKlansman."

14. d. Ben Affleck won the 2012 DGA award for "Argo" but wasn't nominated for the best director Oscar, which went to Ang Lee for "Life of Pi."

16. a. Chazelle won the 2016 prize. Cuaron won for "Gravity," Alejandro G. Iñárritu for "Birdman" and 2015 "The Revenant," and Guillermo del Toro for 2017 "The Shape of Water." Lee won for "The Shape of Water."

17. b. Warren won the best song Golden Globe for "You Haven't Seen the Last of Me" from "Burlesque" but it wasn't nominated for an Oscar. By the way, she shared her nomination for "I'll Be There" from "The Hunting Ground" with Lady Gaga.

18. c. Emma Stone (Lizette) and Sam Elliott (Chupado-gra) both perform in "Marmaduke." Elliott does voice acting in the other three as well.

19. a. Bates won best actress for playing Annie Wilkes in "Misery" (1990), not an LGBTQ character. She did receive a supporting actress nomination for playing a lesbian political adviser in "Primary Colors" (1998), but she didn't win. Hanks won best actor for "Philadelphia" (1993), Penn for "Millions" (2008) and Theron won best actress for "Monsters" (2003).

20. d. King was in all but "Shaft." She played the wife opposite Cuba Gooding Jr.'s best supporting actor performance in "Jerry Maguire" (1996) and "Ray" (2004).

The 1988 telecast (honoring 1987 films), took place during the notoriously tacky Allan Carr-produced 1989 telecast.

6. c. Miller was nominated, but "Foxcatcher" (2014) was not. The other three were nominated in both categories.

7. b. She lost only once to Streep, when Close was a best actress nominee for "Albert Nobbs" (2011) but Streep took the prize for "The Iron Lady."

8. a.

9. c. "Il Postino (The Postman)" received five nominations, including best picture, but not best foreign-language film. "The Emigrants," by the way, was a 1972 best picture nominee and a 1971 best foreign-language film nominee.

10. d. Lanthimos received a best original screenplay nomination for "The Lobster" (2015).

11. d.

12. b. Only Casey Affleck (Lee Chandler in "Manchester by the Sea") portrayed a fictional character. Gary Oldman (Winston Churchill in "Darkest Hour"), Leonardo DiCaprio (Hugh Glass in "The Revenant"), Eddie Redmayne (Stephen Hawking in "The Theory of Everything"), Matthew McConaughey (Ron Woodroof in "Dallas Buyers Club") and Daniel Day-Lewis (Abraham Lincoln in "Lincoln") played actual people.

13. d. The last best actress winner to portray an actual person was Meryl Streep as Margaret Thatcher in "The Iron Lady" (2011).

1. b. Warren Beatty's "Dick Tracy" (1990) won three Oscars: original song (Stephen Sondheim's "Sooner or Later (I Get My Man)," makeup and art direction—set direction, "The Dark Knight" (2008) won two (supporting actor for Heath Ledger and visual effects), and "Superman" went 0 for 3 but (sound editing), "Spider-Man 2" (2004) won one effect, and "The Shape of Water" (2017) won two (supporting actor for Heath Ledger and visual effects), and "Superman" went 0 for 3 but received a special achievement award for visual effects.

2. a. Although Reese Witherspoon won best actress for playing June Carter Cash in "Walk the Line" (2005), Joaquin Phoenix's Johnny Cash lost to Philip Seymour Hoffman's Truman Capote in "Capote" (2004), and Sissy Spacek won best actress as Lynn in "Coal Miner's Daughter" (1980).

3. c. The 1937 version received seven nominations, including for best picture, and it won for writing/original story (and received an honorary award for its color photography). The 1954 version had six nominations and no wins, and the 1976 version had four nominations and won best song ("Evergreen").

4. c. Moreno, who won best supporting actress for "West Side Story" (1961), was born in Puerto Rico. Nyong'o, born in Mexico City though raised in Kenya, won best supporting actress for "12 Years a Slave" (2013).

5. d. All but the Writers Guild strike, which affected

## ANSWERS

'THE WILD PEAR TREE' ★★★ 1/2

# Reverie of a film serves as welcome escape

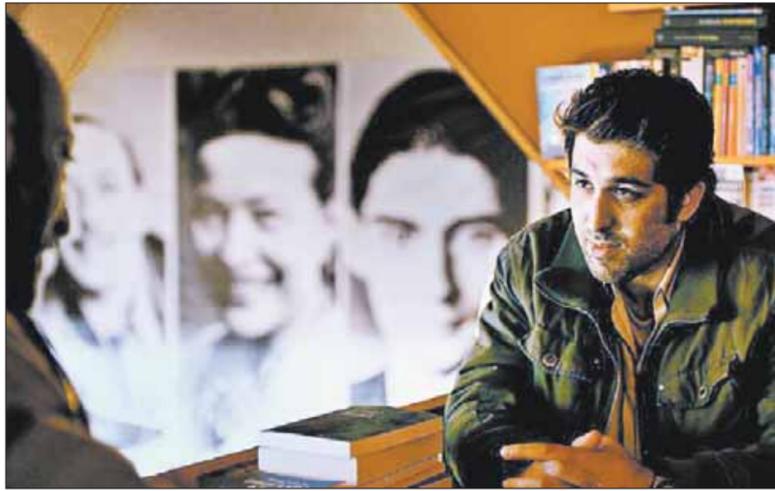
BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS  
Chicago Tribune

In this blurry week of Jussie Smollett, Donald Trump (it's every week with that guy) and idly rampant Oscars speculation, the mere existence of "The Wild Pear Tree" seems absurd.

The Turkish director Nuri Bilge Ceylan, revered as well as hotly debated on the international festival circuit, has never been a filmmaker in step with the rhythms of contemporary life or cinema. Anywhere. Devoted to the spirit of seriocomic inquiry found in Anton Chekhov, among other writers, his movies have carved out a niche for themselves outside many of the usual recognition status symbols. None of his films have ever been nominated for the foreign-language Academy Award. A U.S. distributor — Cinema Guild, this time — acquires a Ceylan title fully aware of its extreme unlikelihood to make anybody any money.

And really, to hell with all that. The work continues, and it's always worthwhile. Opening Friday at the Gene Siskel Film Center, "The Wild Pear Tree" may be the one film out there with the uncanny, gorgeously ruminative ability to take you away from everything cluttering a Chicagoan's head space right now.

That said, and I say it in just about every review of every new Ceylan film: He's not for everyone. The writ-



In the ruminative Turkish drama "The Wild Pear Tree," university graduate Sinan (Dogu Demirkol) returns home with dreams of publishing his first novel.

er-director Paul Schrader lumps Ceylan in with a small, valuable group of so-called "slow cinema" masters. By running time alone (this one runs three hours and eight minutes), not to mention Ceylan's defiant lack of conventional story momentum, this coming-of-age reverie will either put the unpersuaded viewer in a fugue state or a taxi by the half-hour mark.

I can't wait to see it again. Ceylan and his wife, the actress and writer Ebru Ceylan, collaborated on "The Wild Pear Tree" with Akin Aksun. He knows first-hand (as did the director, in his childhood) the far-western Turkish Çanakkale province.

The film was shot there. Recently graduated from college in Istanbul, a sleepy-eyed, hunch-shouldered writer, Sinan (played by Dogu Demirkol), returns to his village with a question mark hanging over his future. His teachers' exam looms, threatening to consign him to an unwanted educator's post somewhere in the east.

His father (Murat Cemcir, master of the reflexive, slightly unnerving chuckle) has gambled the family's money down to nothing, forcing the graduate's soap-opera-addicted mother (Bennu Yıldırım) to cope with rotting food in a fridge without electricity. Sinan's options include

military service in the riot police; meantime, his debut book, more like a collection of essays on the stifling village life he longs to escape, needs a backer. The movie details his search for money. Its signature scenes are its long and, I think, remarkable two- and three-person dialogues.

A hillside encounter with an old flame (Hazar Ergüçlü) begins with a nearly four-minute shot of exquisite rightness and razor-sharp changes in mood. Sinan's belligerent questioning, in a bookstore, of the region's one notably successful author is both hilarious and deeply squirmy, as well as genuinely philosophical.

No MPAA rating (some language)

Playing: Through Thursday, Gene Siskel Film Center, 164 N. State St.; siskelfilmcenter.org. In Turkish with English subtitles.

Later, Sinan meets the local imam (played by co-screenwriter Aksun) and a colleague, stealing apples out of a tree. The resulting religious debate between the surly young writer, the imam and another cleric glances on Islam's place in contemporary Turkey. "The Muslim situation speaks for itself," the progressive cleric says. "The world has changed and left us behind." The imam will hear none of it. Reform, he says, will only "open the door to every human fantasy." Better, he says, "the peaceful shade of unquestioning submission."

From there, "The Wild Pear Tree" narrows its focus to the father/son relationship at its core. A wintry coda brings a measure of understanding to these two. The film sees them, and Turkey itself, as dangerously repressive and more than a little heart-broken.

Ceylan served as his own editor here, and the movie moves at an unpredictable rhythm very different from his earlier works, long or short. Ceylan's longtime cinematographer (Gökhan Tiryaki) creates some breathtaking images, both

interiors and exteriors, and the sheer visual variety of shots (hand-held, swivel-pans, and what I believe is the first drone camera footage in a Ceylan picture) is fascinating.

There are on-the-nose moments in the script, especially in the coda, which needlessly underline the metaphoric value of the title. The Bach on the soundtrack hits a too-obvious note of yearning. Sinan's not a rooting-interest sort of protagonist; he lacks shading.

Then again, one of the great strengths of Ceylan's films continues to be the bracing lack of sentimentality in the script's authorial stand-ins. Sinan is an arrogant young man, always spoiling for an argument. His father is a failure, living increasingly on his own in the country. For all his evident disappointments, he knows some inner peace, entirely eluding his misanthropic son.

"The Wild Pear Tree" is pretty simple, in the end. It simply isn't a narrative-forward experience. As Ceylan told one interviewer last year: "An interesting story, I don't care for, because if the story is strong then everybody begins to serve that story, all the actors, all the expressions — everything."

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DREAMWORKS ANIMATION

Hiccup (voiced by Jay Baruchel), right, concludes his saga with his companion Toothless in the lavishly animated "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World."

## Dragon

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flame-based mass destruction. There are also several lyric interludes of flight, and an extended goo-goo-eyed sequence of adorable dragon courtship. I like the wordless sequences, though they're slightly attenuated. The comic relief among Hiccup's peers could use a little comic relief, but verbal wit never was this franchise's strong suit.

Its strong suit is just as valuable, though. Despite a routine middle section, "Dragon 3" starts and ends with a strong, simple emotional bond between humans and dragons. The way screenwriter DeBlois imagines this Viking universe, the name of the game is animal rescue, and the thrill of open-air dragon gliding. The hidden-

MPAA rating: PG (for adventure action and some mild rude humor)

Running time: 1:44

world portion of the finale resembles "Avatar," for better or worse. The boy-and-his-dragon love story resembles a million previous stories more typically involving a dog, or a horse.

From the beginning, the animators got something very, very right with Toothless, who works with an artificial tail just as his human friend works with a prosthetic leg. He's adorable, yes, of course. But he's not conventionally flawless, and he's all the better for that.

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## Inspector

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ment of two competing businesses. These besuited factory owners are thrilled with their own personal and professional success, chewing on their upstanding reputation in their community. Then a police inspector arrives. He says there is a dead girl at the local hospital. A young woman has poisoned herself.

Might anyone here have any information?

That's all you need to know right now.

Perchance you are a fan of "The Crown," the Daldry-directed series on Netflix. Instead of following the historic narrative of royal-dom, imagine that Daldry had staged the entire season in a dollhouse version of Buckingham Palace, sitting in a pile of smoke and rubble. Imagine — even as Netflix rebelled — he had put those who sit in a world of monarchical privilege through a series of tests of their moral mettle, exposing their elitist sins and human failings, forcing them to parrot ridiculous defenses of their past actions, only to render them, in real time, patently absurd before your eyes. That's pretty much what happens in "An Inspector Calls." All without intermission.

What was remarkable in the 1990s was that we all



MARK DOUET PHOTO

Liam Brennan is striking in the National Theatre of Great Britain's "An Inspector Calls" in the Yard at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

When: Through March 10

Where: The Yard at Chicago Shakespeare Theater, Navy Pier

Running time: 2 hours

Tickets: \$40-\$88 at 312-595-5600 or www.chicagoshakes.com

viewed this 1946 play as a kind of faux-Agatha Christie romp, set in the usual drawing room and plotted to give the audience a few existential jolts and goose-bumps.

Daldry made it Agatha Christie On the Edge of the Apocalypse.

But here's the thing. Radical deconstructions like this rarely succeed unless they are built on a great play. Like "An Inspec-

tor Calls." People just did not know all that was there.

All theater is time-bound, of course, but I was struck Wednesday by how this show, so brilliantly designed by Ian MacNeil, now comes with newly resonant echoes. It feels as if Priestley was writing about the climate-change crisis about to engulf us all. It feels like he anticipated the march toward political extremes, the rise of smug complacency and the fall of personal moral obligation. Characters in this show have endless trouble seeing how their own biases impede their readings of facts; there are versions of this occurring right now on our streets right outside this theater.

Most striking though in this revival — which fea-

tures uniformly stellar, generous ensemble acting from Liam Brennan, Christine Kavanagh, Jeff Harmer, Andrew Macklin, Lianne Harvey, Hamish Riddle and Diana Payne-Myers — is how intensely it reminds you that today's debates about the obligations, efficacy and morality of those who control capital hardly are new.

"If we were all responsible for everyone we had anything to do with, it would be very awkward," one of the characters says, sounding a lot like Ebenezer Scrooge right before he got told to stare into his own grave.

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'FIGHTING WITH MY FAMILY' ★★★

## Mum, Dad, the WWE and me

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS  
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The more globally famous the celebrity, the tougher audiences tend to be on a biopic. Unless it's "Bohemian Rhapsody," because, you know. All those hits.

A different sort of hit-making and punishment-taking sets the tone in "Fighting with My Family," based on a true story. It's not a story, or a milieu, I knew anything about going in. In other words, nothing much held me back from enjoying writer-director Stephen Merchant's engaging, charismatically acted underdog fable.

Best known as a performer, Merchant has a serious knack for casting. He snagged Nick Frost and Lena Headey as the heads of a scrappy, resourceful Norwich, England, wrestling clan. The excel-

lent young actor Jack Lowden ("71," "Dunkirk") captures the essence of thwarted ambition as son Zak.

And in the lead, the superb Florence Pugh ("Lady Macbeth") takes on the World Wrestling Entertainment Inc. star known as Paige. Offstage she's Saraya-Jade Bevis, now 26. On screen in "Fighting with My Family," as played by Pugh, she's a tough, continually underestimated striver, with the eye of the tiger and a heart of gold.

Merchant takes the sports biopic clichés just seriously enough. His adaptation, inspired by the (credited) 2012 British documentary "The Wrestlers: Fighting with My Family," streamlines events so that the plot stays close to the sister/brother dynamics. The Britain we see here is one of gray skies, council houses and pints at the pub,

consumed prior to the next available brawl.

The Knight family makes a living in the wrestling game, fully into the theatrics but serious about the skill required. Saraya-Jade aka Paige gets her shot through tryouts with the WWE's developmental league. Brother Zak doesn't make the cut and returns to Norwich, where he trains kids in the ring. Paige, unencumbered by relationships or domestic concerns, is stuck with only her loneliness.

In Florida, Paige finds herself comically and dramatically at odds with her surroundings. Vince Vaughn plays the tough but secretly empathetic trainer, part drill sergeant, part cheerleader. Surrounded by former models and dancers turned highly decorative wrestlers, working-class Paige feels shunned. "Fighting with My Family" charts her ascendancy in the ring,



METRO GOLDWYN MAYER PICTURES

Florence Pugh's Paige has dreams of WWE glory in America in "Fighting with My Family," based on a true story.

while keeping tabs on her family in Norwich.

Some of the writing's fresh and spiky, as when one of Paige's American cohorts gushes over her accent ("You sound like a Nazi in a movie!"). Other parts are more expedient and frankly hokey. Any five minutes of the 2012 documentary on the Knights shows you that the real people this movie's based on are more rough-edged, and pungently compelling, than

their comfortably scruffy movie counterparts. Still, it all feels true enough for the movies, if you know what I mean.

A little research points to the project's chosen parameters. A WWE Studios co-production Merchant's film elides the various controversies and setbacks its protagonist has endured in recent years, notably a sex tape hacking, and a 2018 ring injury that forced her retirement from wrestling.

MPAA rating: PG-13 (for crude and sexual material, language throughout, some violence and drug content)

Running time: 1:48

Dwayne Johnson, an executive producer on the project, plays himself in "Fighting with My Family," the guardian angel and pop-up mentor for Paige, in a way that seems both authentic (who the hell else is going to play the Rock?) and cheerfully, amusingly fake. The whole film is like that: an entertaining gloss on the truth. Pugh quietly invests every moment with a strong current of feeling, as do Frost and Headey. These people are neither angels nor thugs. They're entertainers and entrepreneurs. And they're lively company.

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## WATCH THIS: FRIDAY



Megan Boone

**"The Blacklist"** (7 p.m., NBC): In "Marko Jankowics," the first of two new back-to-back episodes, Liz and Jennifer (Megan Boone, Fiona Dourif) go searching for a woman who may hold secret information about Red's (James Spader) past, only to find themselves in the lethal crosshairs of a ruthless smuggler. Their dilemma forces Liz to turn to an unexpected source for help. Meanwhile, in prison, Red mediates between two rival gangs.

**"The Cool Kids"** (7:30 p.m., FOX): After years of staying on the sidelines, Sid (Leslie Jordan) embarks on his first real same-sex relationship, but almost immediately runs into commitment issues with his new love, John (guest star Jere Burns, "Justified"), in the new episode "Sid's First Relationship." It's a frustrating situation that merits help from all his friends. Meanwhile, Margaret (Vicki Lawrence) does volunteer work at the airport.

**"Hawaii Five-0"** (8 p.m., CBS): In the new episode "Hapai ke kuko, hanau ka hewa," the top salesperson for a beauty company is murdered during a day at "Mermaid Camp," and McGarrett (Alex O'Loughlin) and his team have no dearth of suspects to sort through. Among the most promising: a desperate woman who lost all her money in the beauty company's thinly disguised pyramid scheme and the husband of the victim, who was worried that his wife was about to leave him.

**"Gold Rush"** (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Discovery): In the new episode "Big Red Is Dead," Parker Schnabel is closing in on his ambitious target of \$7.2 million, but his wish plant Big Red is running out of pay. Brennan Ruault is determined to meet a personal goal of his own, but he flirts with disaster by running the plant with a torn belt.

**"Strike Back: Revolution"** (9 p.m., 10 p.m., 12:35 a.m., Cinemax): Jean-Baptiste Zaza (Chris Obi), a ruthless Rwandan drug lord with a jealous streak, gets his hands on the suitcase nukes after a high-speed jungle ambush in Myanmar in the new "Episode 5." The Section 20 team, despite their suspicions about Zarkova's (Yasemin Allen) true motives, makes the long journey to Panchan Province.

**"Tone Bell: Can't Cancel This"** (9 p.m., 1:10 a.m., Showtime): Atlanta native Tone Bell currently is starring in the midseason CBS sitcom "Fam," but this, his first stand-up special, finds him telling jokes and sharing his thoughts to a live audience at the Dee and Charles Wylie Theater in Dallas. What's on his mind? Well, for starters, the fact that he wants to live in a world where Alaska is cold, jelly is free and student loans are paid. Is that really asking too much?

## TALK SHOWS

**"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon"** (10:34 p.m., NBC): John Legend talks and performs; comic Hasan Minhaj.\*

**"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert"** (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.\*

**"Jimmy Kimmel Live"** (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Chris Pine; actress Lena Headey; comic Kellen Erskine.\*

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	<b>NBC</b>	5	The Blacklist: "Marko Jankowics." (N) ©	The Blacklist: "Minister D." (N) ©	Dateline NBC (N) ©	NBC 5 News (N) ♦		
	<b>ABC</b>	7	Fresh Off the Boat (N)	Speechless (N) ©	20/20: "The Deadly Ride." (N) ©	News at 10pm (N) ♦		
	<b>WGN</b>	9	† (6) NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Orlando Magic. (N) (Live) ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) ©	WGN News at Ten (N)		
	<b>Antenna</b>	9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©	3's Comp.
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	<b>PBS</b>	11	Chi. Tonight: Washington Review (N)	Washington Week (N)	Check, Please! (N)	Jay's Chicago (N)	American Masters: "Charley Pride." (N) ©	Chenault (N) ♦
	<b>The U</b>	26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	Engagement	Gomer Pyle	Broke Girl	Broke Girl
	<b>MeTV</b>	26.3	Andy Griffith   Andy Griffith		WKRP Cincinnati		Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero
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<b>Bounce</b>	26.5	The Game	The Game	Set It Off (R, '96) *** Jada Pinkett, Queen Latifah.		The Score ♦		
<b>FOX</b>	32	Last Man Standing (N)	The Cool Kids (N) ©	Proven Innocent: "The Burden of Truth." (N)		Fox 32 News (N)	Flannery Fired Up	
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	<b>AMC</b>		Unstoppable (PG-13, '10) *** Denzel Washington. ©	Tanked: Supersized: "All-Star Athlete Tanks." (N)	Tanked: Supersized (N) © ♦	(9:05) Colombiana (PG-13, '11) ***		
	<b>ANIM</b>		WarGames	WarGames (PG, '83) *** Matthew Broderick, Dabney Coleman. ©			Norton (N) ♦	
	<b>BET</b>		blackish	blackish	American Soul		Boomerang	Boomerang
	<b>BIGTEN</b>		† College Hockey (N)	College Hockey: Notre Dame at Minnesota. (N) (Live) ©				
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	<b>COM</b>		South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Roy Wood Jr.	This Is (N)
	<b>DISC</b>		Gold Rush: Pay Dirt (N)	Gold Rush: "Big Red Is Dead." (N) ©				Moonshine ♦
	<b>DISN</b>		Andi Mack	Sydney (N)	Fast Layne	Coop	Bizaardvark	Coop
	<b>DI</b>		Just Go With It (PG-13, '11) ** Adam Sandler, Jennifer Aniston. ©				The Dilemma ('11) ***	
	<b>ESPN</b>		† NBA Basketball: Spurs at Raptors (N)	† NBA Basketball: Jazz at Thunder (N) ♦				
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	<b>FREE</b>		† Monsters	(7:25) Rise of the Guardians (PG, '12) ** ©			grown-ish	700 Club ♦
	<b>FX</b>		The Martian (PG-13, '15) *** Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain. ©				Martian	
	<b>HALL</b>		Christmas at Graceland (NR, '18) Kellie Pickler. ©				One Winter Proposal (NR, '19) © ♦	
	<b>HGTV</b>		Dream	Dream	Dream (N)	Dream	Dream	Dream
	<b>HIST</b>		Ancient Aliens: Declassified: "Extraterrestrial Abductions." (N) © ♦					
	<b>HLN</b>		Unmasking a Killer ©	Unmasking a Killer ©			Forensic	Forensic
	<b>IFC</b>		Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
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	<b>MTV</b>		Wild/Out (N)	Wild/Out (N)	Wild/Out (N)	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild/Out ♦
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	<b>Ovation</b>		† (6) Platoon (R, '86) **** Tom Berenger, Willem Dafoe.				XXX (PG-13, '02) ** Vin Diesel. ♦	
<b>OWN</b>		20/20 on OWN ©	48 Hours: Hard Evidence	48 Hours: Hard Evidence		20/20 ♦		
<b>OPX</b>		Dateline: Secrets (N)	Killer Couples ©			Smiley Face Killers	Snapped ♦	
<b>PARMT</b>		The Hangover Part II (R, '11) ** Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. ©				The Hangover Part II ***		
<b>SYFY</b>		† (6:57) Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (PG-13, '07) *** ©					Futurama	
<b>TBS</b>		Marvel's the Avengers (PG-13, '12) *** Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans. ©				Miracle		
<b>TCM</b>		Mutiny on the Bounty (NR, '62) *** Marlon Brando, Trevor Howard. ©				Caine Mut ♦		
<b>TLC</b>		My 600-Lb. Life: "Supersized: Holly's Story." (N)				My 600-Lb. Life (N) © ♦		
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<b>TNT</b>		Sully (PG-13, '16) *** Tom Hanks. ©				Sully (PG-13, '16) *** Tom Hanks. ♦		
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<b>TRAV</b>		Ghost Adventures ©	Ghost Adventures: "California Screaming." (N) ©				Ghost ♦	
<b>TVL</b>		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	
<b>USA</b>		Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	
<b>VH1</b>		Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story (PG-13, '04) ***				Evan Almighty (PG, '07) ** © ♦		
<b>WE</b>		Love After Lockup ©	Love After Lockup (N) ©			(9:01) Love After Lockup	Marriage ♦	
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<b>HBO2</b>		True Detective ©	Crashing	Man on Fire (R, '04) ** Denzel Washington. ♦				
<b>MAX</b>		† (6:35) Kingsman: The Golden Circle (R, '17) ** ©				Strike (N)	Strike ♦	
<b>SHO</b>		† It's a Party   (7:25) American Pie (R, '99) ***				Tone Bell (N)	Desus ♦	
<b>STARZ</b>		† (6:10) Takers ('10) ** ©	Counterpart ©			(9:01) Cop Land (R, '97) *** ♦		
<b>STZENC</b>		† (5:42) Love Actually ***	Notting Hill (PG-13, '99) **	Julia Roberts. ©			Mr. Mom ♦	

## Metz

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and George — not on every movie, but a lot of movies."

Let's look at this year's Oscar nominees. Of the eight films up for best picture, six include the film's director as a producer: Spike Lee for "BlackKlansman," Yorgos Lanthimos for "The Favourite," Peter Farrelly for "Green Book," Alfonso Cuarón for "Roma," Bradley Cooper for "A Star Is Born" and Adam McKay for "Vice."

The exceptions are "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "Black Panther."

The majority of "Bohemian Rhapsody" was directed by Bryan Singer, who was fired from the film for not showing up to set for days, in addition to the clashes he had with star Rami Malek and the crew. Singer has also been accused of multiple incidents of sexual assault, allegations of which are detailed in a recent story in the Atlantic.

In the case of "Black Panther," director Ryan Coogler not having a producer credit is consistent with all of Marvel's films — no director has a "produced by" credit. Kevin Feige, president of production for Marvel Studios, is the nominated producer for "Black Panther."

So: "Produced by" (aka producer) is the key title to look for when it comes to determining who did the bulk of the work to get a movie made.

It gets even more confusing when you look at a movie's end credits and see all kinds of other producer titles tumbling by — executive producer, co-producer, associate producer. The one you want to focus on for the Oscars is producer, which is actually a higher designation in film than executive producer. (It's different for TV but that's another story for another day.)

This is so confusing. "It's beyond confusing," said Teitel. "When I say there's no rhyme or reason, there is no rhyme or reason."

Teitel also mentioned something called the Pro-



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According to the Producers Guild of America, "produced by" is the highest producing credit on a movie and it goes to the person (sometimes multiple people) most responsible for a film's production from start to finish.



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"Your job is to create an environment where the director can make the best movie possible," says producer Bob Teitel.

ducer's Mark, given out by the PGA that certifies which producers did the most on a movie. Per its website: "The Producers Guild believes that audiences deserve to know which producers, among an often-extensive list of credited individuals, performed a majority of the work."

Here's Teitel: "You could have four producers on the movie and only two with the mark, so as an outsider you're able to look at that and say, 'Those two with the mark contributed more than the other two.'"

To get the mark produc-

ers fill out a questionnaire that's then put before a guild committee (Teitel said he has served on a few), which also takes into account input by members of the crew: "That happens on every movie where producers are asking for a mark."

I asked the PGA if only those with a Producers Mark are eligible for an Oscar nomination. "Generally speaking, yes," said a guild publicist, "although the Academy of course may make a different determination." Huh. OK.

How does the general public know who has been



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

At Teitel's production company, longtime collaborator George Tillman Jr., left, produces and directs projects.

given a Producer's Mark on a film? Typically a producer will include "the designation 'p.g.a.' behind their names in the credits for the film, and those credits usually also include the PGA's logo."

But there's a but: The guild doesn't enforce whether a Producer's Mark actually appears in a movie's credits. That means it's possible that a producer "has the designation even if the average moviegoer does not see the Mark in the film's credits."

(According to Teitel, IMDb gets it right when it

comes to job titles but it isn't a great resource if you're looking for who has a Producer's Mark on any given film.)

Do producers have managers or agents? "I have an agent," said Teitel, "and sometimes they're sending me material. Sometimes they're negotiating my deal."

Do producers get paid a salary? "Yes. And you get a backend, depending on the type of film," he said. "It just varies, whatever deal you negotiated. And obviously the more films and more success you have through-

out the years, the better the deal. It's like an athlete — if you perform well, your salary goes up."

If a movie is an indie — meaning, not funded by or answerable to a studio — are producers basically negotiating their own salaries with themselves?

"Pretty much. Obviously you can't take the lion's share or you're not going to make the movie you want. So it's always tricky — like, how are you going to get it done and still earn a living?"

Teitel says he knew he wanted to make movies when was an undergrad at Columbia College Chicago (which is where he and Tillman first met), "but I didn't know in what capacity. As time went on — pretty early, too — I felt like being a producer, that was my fit. Not writing or directing, but putting things together. Organizing. Having a creative opinion, which is a big part of what I do."

There are people skills involved as well. Knowing when to push, when to charm.

"It's definitely that. Sometimes it's a lot of baby-sitting too. When it's about getting the day done and shooting what you need, the director is the problem-solver on set. But the producer is the problem-solver on a global scale of things. Your job is to create an environment where the director can make the best movie possible."

"And it's not just making sure you have enough money, but making sure you have the right people on board who are making the right decisions. Anything can go wrong on any day, it's how you handle it. That's the role of the producer."

"Sometimes if no one knows who you are on set or what you're doing, that means things are going well and you're pretty much doing your job."

The 91st Academy Awards broadcast 7 p.m. Sunday on ABC.

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### Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (Feb. 22): Your career expands to new levels this year. Together, practice for coordinated ease. Changes could seem constant. Discover a fresh passion this summer, before a community challenge engages you. Teamwork leads to victory next winter, before new directions with family or romance. Love is your fundamental motivation.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 6. Advance to the next level with a partner by creating harmony. Don't show unfinished work yet. Stay sensitive to another's view.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Extra effort earns extra results. Words can fall flat. Physical action makes a difference. Practice your moves. Get your heart pumping, and then rest deeply.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 7. Romance doesn't need to be expensive. Pack a picnic, and take a walk somewhere beautiful. Get together with friends and family. Actions speak louder than words.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 7. Fix something before it breaks at home. Use long-lasting quality materials. Costs may be higher than expected. Hunt for the best value.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Edit your comments to simple, basic information. Don't waste time on gossip or hearsay.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Focus on generating positive cash flow. Avoid financial risk to meet your obligations on time. Budget and schedule carefully, and stay in communication.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Take time for yourself. Get into a personal project. Schedule moments for your own interests. Things may not go as planned. Make time to process changes.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Keep a low profile, and maintain your frugal ways. Postpone travel or overstimulating environments. Clean, sort and organize.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Enjoy social events without overindulging. Restraint serves you well. Patiently wait for developments. Share resources and ideas with friends.

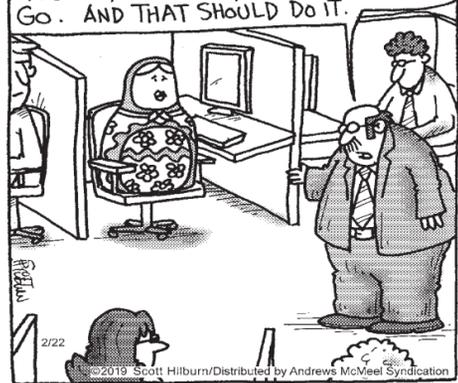
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Patiently wait for a professional door to open. Practice optimism. Take a philosophical view. Impress an important person. New facts dispel old fears.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Investigate options and routes before dashing off. Costs can vary widely. Wait for better travel conditions. Research projects produce satisfying results.

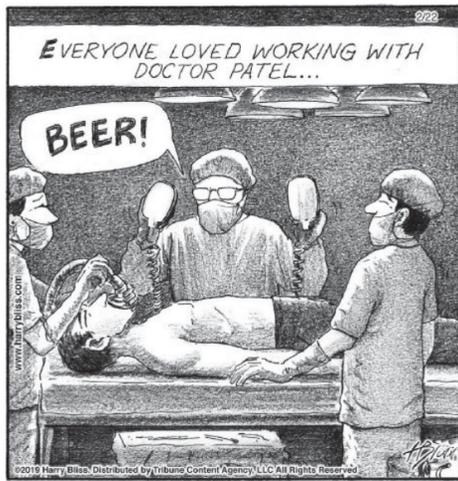
**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Collaborate to shared finances. Circumstances allow more latitude. Expand in the direction of least resistance. Every little bit counts. A profitable opportunity arises.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater



### Bliss



### Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

**North**  
 ♠ K 7 2  
 ♥ 10 7  
 ♦ A Q J 6 2  
 ♣ K Q 8

**East**  
 ♠ A 5  
 ♥ J 6 5 4 2  
 ♦ 10 7  
 ♣ J 10 9 5

**West**  
 ♠ Q 9 8  
 ♥ K Q 9 8  
 ♦ 9 8 4 3  
 ♣ 6 2

**South**  
 ♠ J 10 6 4 3  
 ♥ A 3  
 ♦ K 5  
 ♣ A 7 4 3

Had today's deal occurred in a social game or in a rubber bridge game, declarer would surely have started on trumps after winning the opening heart lead. He would hope to hold his losers to two trumps and a heart, which is exactly what would happen with any normal lie of the trump suit. The deal was played in a duplicate pairs game, however, and the struggle for an overtrick yielded a surprising result.

**The bidding:**

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♦*	Pass
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	All pass		

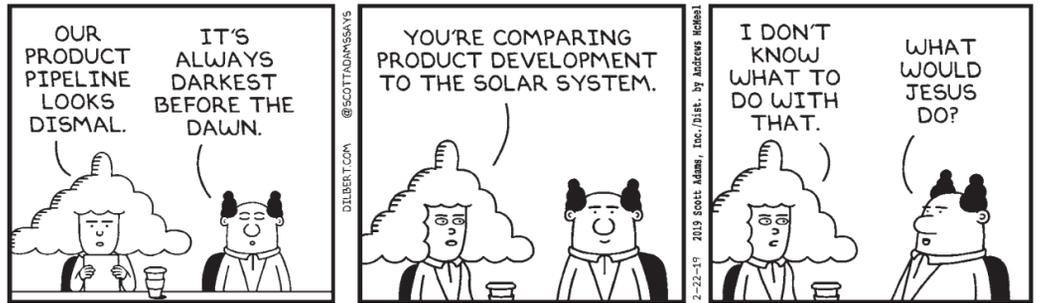
\*Game forcing  
 Opening lead: King of ♥

South won the opening heart lead in hand and decided to try to discard his losing heart. He cashed the king of diamonds and led a diamond to dummy's ace. East discarded his remaining heart.

"Why didn't East ruff?," thought South. South decided that either East didn't have any more trumps or he was down to a singleton ace. South tried leading a low spade from dummy and was not very surprised when East played the ace. South ruffed the heart lead from East and then led the jack of spades, running it when West played low. A trump to the king drew the last trump and South discarded a low club on the six of diamonds. That was two overtricks and a top on the board! Nicely done.

— Bob Jones  
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### Dilbert



### Baby Blues



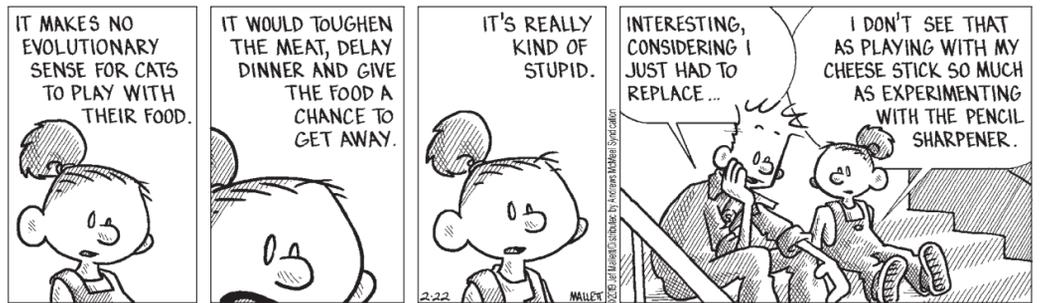
### Zits



### Mr. Boffo



### Frazz



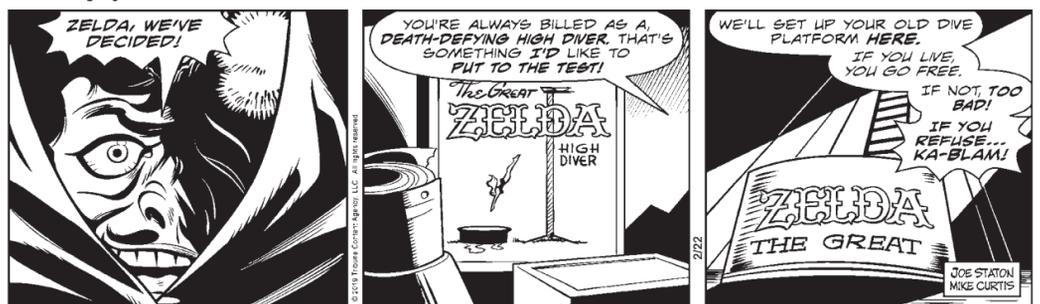
### Classic Peanuts



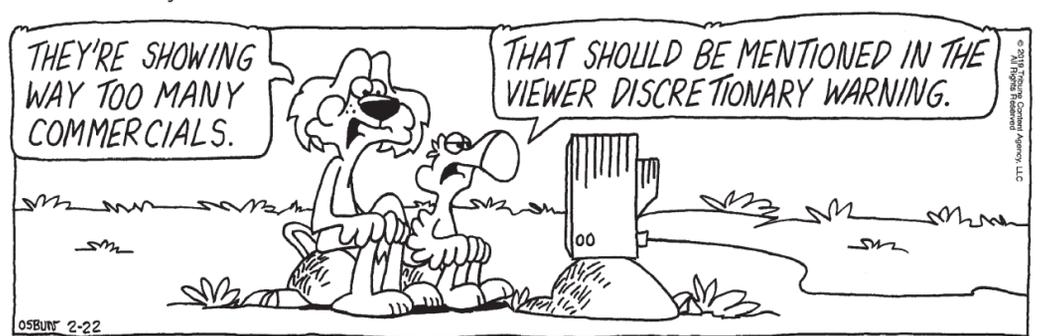
### Pickles



### Dick Tracy



### Animal Crackers



### Prickly City





# CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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FRIDAY, FEB. 22

NORMAL HIGH: 38°

NORMAL LOW: 22°

RECORD HIGH: 67° (2017)

RECORD LOW: -14° (1873)

## Sunny Friday and then a stormy weekend

### LOCAL FORECAST

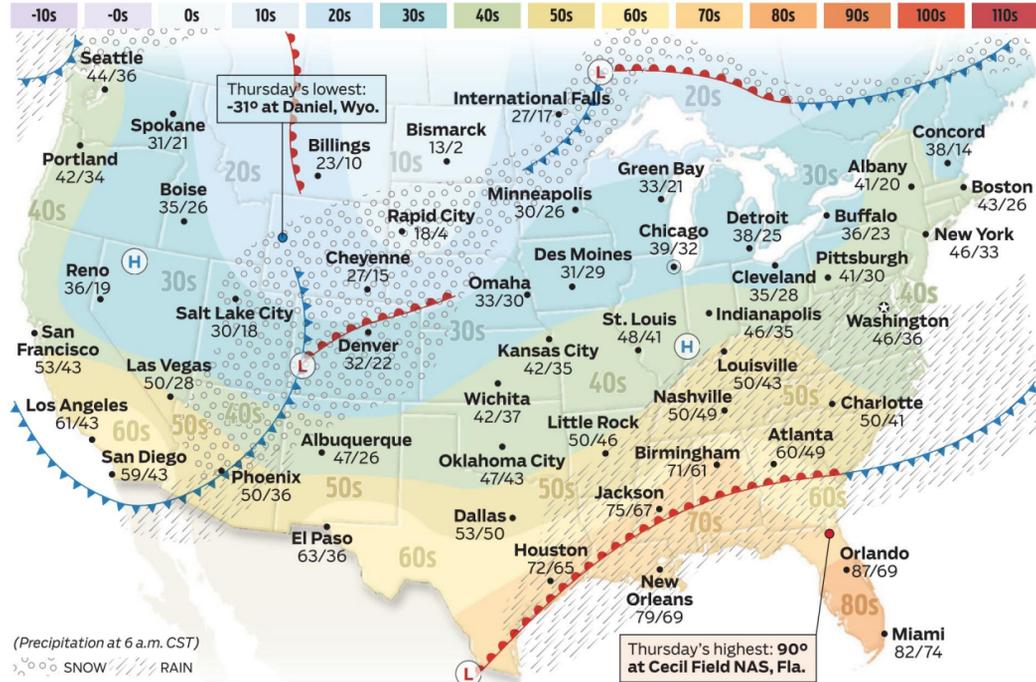
**HIGH** 39 **LOW** 32

■ High pressure overhead shifting east during the day, with clouds spreading over the area at night as low pressure approaches from the southwest.

■ Mostly sunny and seasonally warmer with a high near 40. Light east to northeast winds 5-10 mph.

■ Clouds increase and lower at night. A period of freezing rain possible toward morning, likely turning over to just rain as temperatures hover around the 32 degree mark.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Skies will be mostly sunny across the Chicago area Friday, with high temps approaching 40 degrees. However, clouds will be on the increase at night as a gathering storm develops over the Texas Panhandle and moves northeast. There could be a touch of freezing rain early Saturday in advance of the low pressure system, but temperatures will be on the rise with just rain expected Saturday forenoon.

Rain will become more extensive with possible thunderstorms Saturday afternoon into Sunday. At the same time, blizzard conditions will exist over portions of Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa. East winds here will increase, shifting to the northwest and strengthening later Saturday with gusts exceeding 50 mph. Sunday looks to be very windy day, with temps falling into the teens overnight.

### SATURDAY, FEB. 23

**HIGH** 41 **LOW** 34

Light rain in the morning. Rain increasing with embedded t-storms possible in the afternoon into the evening. Highs around 40 far north to lower 50s well south of Interstate 80. Rain overnight.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 24

**HIGH** 35 **LOW** 16

Very windy, colder; a chance of rain/snow showers. Peaks of sun by the afternoon. NW wind 20-30 mph with gusts exceeding 50 mph. Highs in the mid 30s with temps falling during the afternoon. Partly cloudy at night.

### MONDAY, FEB. 25

**HIGH** 27 **LOW** 20

Partly cloudy and cold with highs in the mid to upper 20s. Clouds lowering overnight with a chance of snow toward morning. Southwest winds 10-15 mph.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 26

**HIGH** 31 **LOW** 17

Cloudy with accumulating snow possible. Highs in the low 30s. South winds 10-15 mph with gusts to 25 shift northwest. Flurries possible overnight.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27

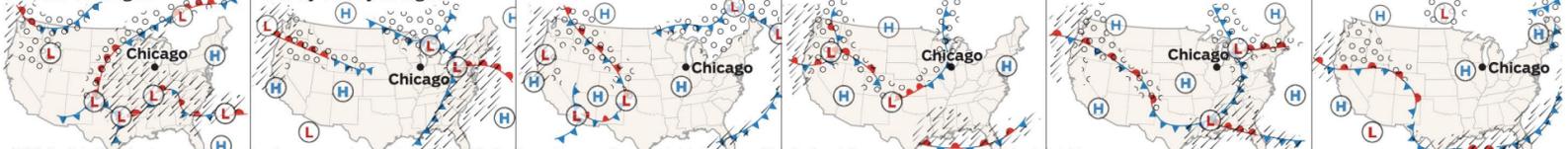
**HIGH** 29 **LOW** 17

Partly cloudy and cold. Highs in the upper 20s. Clear and cold at overnight with a lows in the mid teens. Northwest winds 8-18 mph.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 28

**HIGH** 30 **LOW** 16

Mostly sunny and continued cold. Highs in the upper 20s to lower 30s. Clear skies overnight. Light winds.



### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
I was in the Bay Area last week and the weather news was all about an atmospheric river driving rain across the area. Can you tell us more about it?  
— Michael Nolan, Chicago

Dear Michael,  
NOAA, parent agency of the National Weather Service, describes atmospheric rivers as flowing columns of water vapor identified by satellites. They are usually about 250 to 375 miles wide and found in the lower levels of the atmosphere, often around 5,000 feet. They are a major feature of the global water cycle. In the U.S., they are responsible for up to half of the annual precipitation on the West Coast, which is produced by orographic lift when the moisture moves onshore and is lifted and cooled as it interacts with mountain ranges. The strongest atmospheric rivers can produce extreme amounts of precip.

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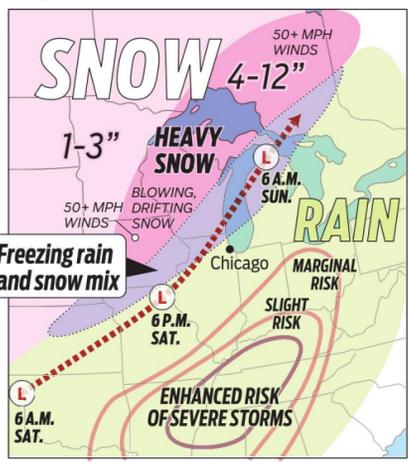
WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

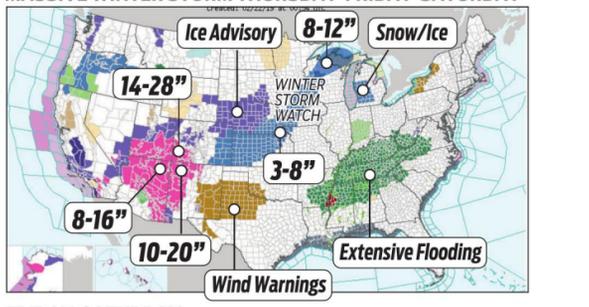


## Extensive storm system to impact over half the nation Fri-Sat

WINTER STORM—NORTH AND WEST OF CHICAGO—RAINFALL EAST AND SOUTH  
Projected storm track and snowfall totals



## MASSIVE WINTER STORM THURSDAY-FRIDAY-SATURDAY



FRIDAY-SATURDAY  
Excessive rains over saturated soils will cause extensive flooding in the Tennessee and Cumberland River Valleys  
Risk of rainfall exceeding flash flood within 25 miles of a point

MARGINAL SLIGHT MODERATE HIGH

TOM SKILLING, PAUL DAILEY, BILL SNYDER, TOM VALLE / WGN-TV

### MIDWEST CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	sh	48	44	ts	63	37
Carbondale	sh	45	32	ts	52	30
Champaign	sh	45	32	ts	52	30
Decatur	sh	46	35	ts	54	30
Moline	pc	37	31	fr	42	28
Peoria	pc	42	34	fr	50	29
Quincy	cl	43	36	fr	50	31
Rockford	pc	36	27	fr	39	29
Springfield	cl	46	36	fr	53	31
Stirling	pc	35	28	fr	40	28
Indiana	sh	48	38	ts	58	38
Bloomington	sh	49	44	ts	63	38
Evansville	sh	49	44	ts	63	38
Fort Wayne	pc	41	27	fr	49	41
Indianapolis	sh	46	35	fr	55	38
Lafayette	sh	44	31	fr	53	35
South Bend	pc	40	27	fr	45	36
Wisconsin	pc	33	21	fr	37	32
Green Bay	pc	34	27	fr	38	33
Kenosha	pc	34	27	fr	38	33
La Crosse	pc	34	27	fr	38	33
Madison	pc	34	27	fr	38	33
Milwaukee	pc	34	26	fr	38	32
Wausau	pc	31	22	fr	33	26
Michigan	pc	38	25	sh	43	38
Detroit	pc	38	25	sh	43	38
Grand Rapids	pc	36	24	ss	35	30
Marquette	pc	33	23	sh	33	31
St. Ste. Marie	pc	33	23	sh	33	31
Traverse City	pc	37	21	sh	42	36
Iowa	pc	29	26	fr	34	18
Ames	pc	31	27	fr	35	21
Cedar Rapids	pc	31	27	fr	35	21
Des Moines	pc	31	25	fr	35	19
Dubuque	pc	36	28	fr	38	26

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	pc	41	20	sh	43	34
Albuquerque	sh	47	26	ss	44	19
Amarillo	pc	54	34	sh	48	24
Anchorage	pc	24	11	pc	23	12
Asheville	rm	52	42	sh	51	47
Aspen	ss	30	12	pc	26	4
Atlanta	sh	60	49	sh	56	53
Atlanta City	sh	45	33	rn	43	39
Austin	ts	60	53	pc	71	43
Baltimore	sh	46	25	rn	41	39
Billings	ss	23	10	pc	30	1
Birmingham	ts	71	61	ts	73	50
Bismarck	ss	13	2	pc	20	4
Boise	pc	35	26	ss	38	33
Boston	pc	43	26	cl	42	34
Brownsville	sh	79	69	sh	78	57
Buffalo	pc	36	23	sh	47	37
Burlington	pc	33	16	cl	37	28
Charlotte	sh	60	45	sh	67	45
Charlton SC	sh	55	41	sh	53	45
Charlton WV	sh	49	42	rn	50	50
Chattanooga	pc	51	50	sh	58	50
Cheyenne	ss	27	15	pc	33	18
Cincinnati	sh	48	38	rn	57	46
Cleveland	cl	35	28	sh	48	44
Colo. Spgs	cl	38	22	cl	41	17
Columbia MO	sh	41	37	ts	51	29
Columbia SC	sh	61	46	sh	52	51
Columbus	sh	44	33	rn	52	46
Concord	pc	38	14	cl	40	25
Corps Christi	ts	69	62	pc	77	52
Dallas	ts	53	50	pc	64	38
Daytona Bch.	pc	82	66	pc	82	68
Denver	ss	32	22	pc	42	20
Des Moines	cl	31	25	ss	32	26
El Paso	sh	63	36	ss	56	30
Fairbanks	pc	8	-6	cl	16	1
Fargo	ss	19	17	ss	24	10
Flagstaff	ss	25	1	su	34	7
Fort Myers	pc	87	69	sh	85	69
Fort Smith	sh	50	45	ts	63	34
Fresno	pc	55	34	pc	59	39
Grand Junc.	ss	12	12	su	34	16
Great Falls	pc	27	15	ss	19	-6
Harrisburg	sh	42	28	sh	41	36
Hartford	pc	42	24	sh	44	33
Helena	pc	23	8	ss	32	20
Honolulu	pc	81	66	sh	80	65
Houston	ts	72	65	ts	72	49
Int'l Falls	sh	27	17	ss	31	17
Jackson	ts	75	67	ts	74	46
Jacksonville	sh	82	66	sh	83	67
Juneau	pc	31	17	su	28	15
Kansas City	sh	42	35	ts	46	28
Las Vegas	pc	50	28	pc	50	33
Lincoln	pc	74	67	ts	75	57
Little Rock	sh	50	46	ts	66	38
Los Angeles	su	61	43	pc	62	45
Louisville	sh	50	43	ts	63	47
Lexington	sh	49	42	rn	61	47
Lincoln	fr	34	29	rs	31	20
Little Rock	sh	50	46	ts	66	38
Miami	su	61	43	pc	62	45
Minneapolis	cl	30	26	ss	32	20
Mobile	pc	74	67	ts	75	57
Montgomery	pc	81	63	ts	79	56
Nashville	rn	50	49	ts	68	46
New Orleans	ts	79	69	ts	78	57
New York	cl	46	33	rn	47	35
Norfolk	sh	42	38	rn	43	49
Oklahoma City	sh	47	43	sh	52	28
Omaha	fr	30	25	ss	32	20
Orlando	pc	87	69	ts	86	60
Palm Beach	pc	82	73	sh	81	70
Palm Springs	su	62	39	su	63	43
Philadelphia	cl	45	31	sh	44	39
Phoenix	sh	50	36	pc	56	37
Pittsburgh	sh	41	30	sh	48	42
Portland, ME	su	41	18	pc	37	28
Portland, OR	rn	42	34	sh	44	35
Providence	pc	44	24	sh	43	31
Raleigh	rn	51	38	rn	45	43
Rapid City	ss	18	4	pc	33	3
Reno	su	48	41	ts	44	28
Richmond	rn	43	36	rn	42	39
Rochester	sh	37	21	sh	46	37
Rochester	su	56	35	pc	58	44
Salem, Ore.	sh	44	36	sh	46	36
Salt Lake City	pc	30	18	pc	37	26
San Antonio	sh	65	58	cl	72	45
San Diego	su	59	43	pc	61	45
San Francisco	su	53	43	cl	54	47
San Juan	pc	83	74	pc	81	74
Santa Fe	sn	37	20	pc	36	14
Savannah	pc	80	59	sh	67	63
Seattle	rn	44	36	rs	43	34
Shreveport	ts	59	57	ts	68	42
Sioux Falls	sn	28	23	ss	28	11
Spokane	sn	31	21	ss	34	21
St. Louis	sh	48	41	ts	58	33
Tucson	su	36	23	pc	38	33
Syracuse	sh	35	17	sh	42	34
Tallahassee	cl	81	63	pc	82	68
Tampa	pc	87	69	pc	87	70
Topeka	sh	41	33	rs	39	25
Tulsa	su	45	30	su	51	31
Tulsa	rn	49	42	ts	60	29
Washington	sh	46	36	rn	42	39
Wichita	sh	42	37	sh	42	24
Wilkes Barre	su	38	23	sh		

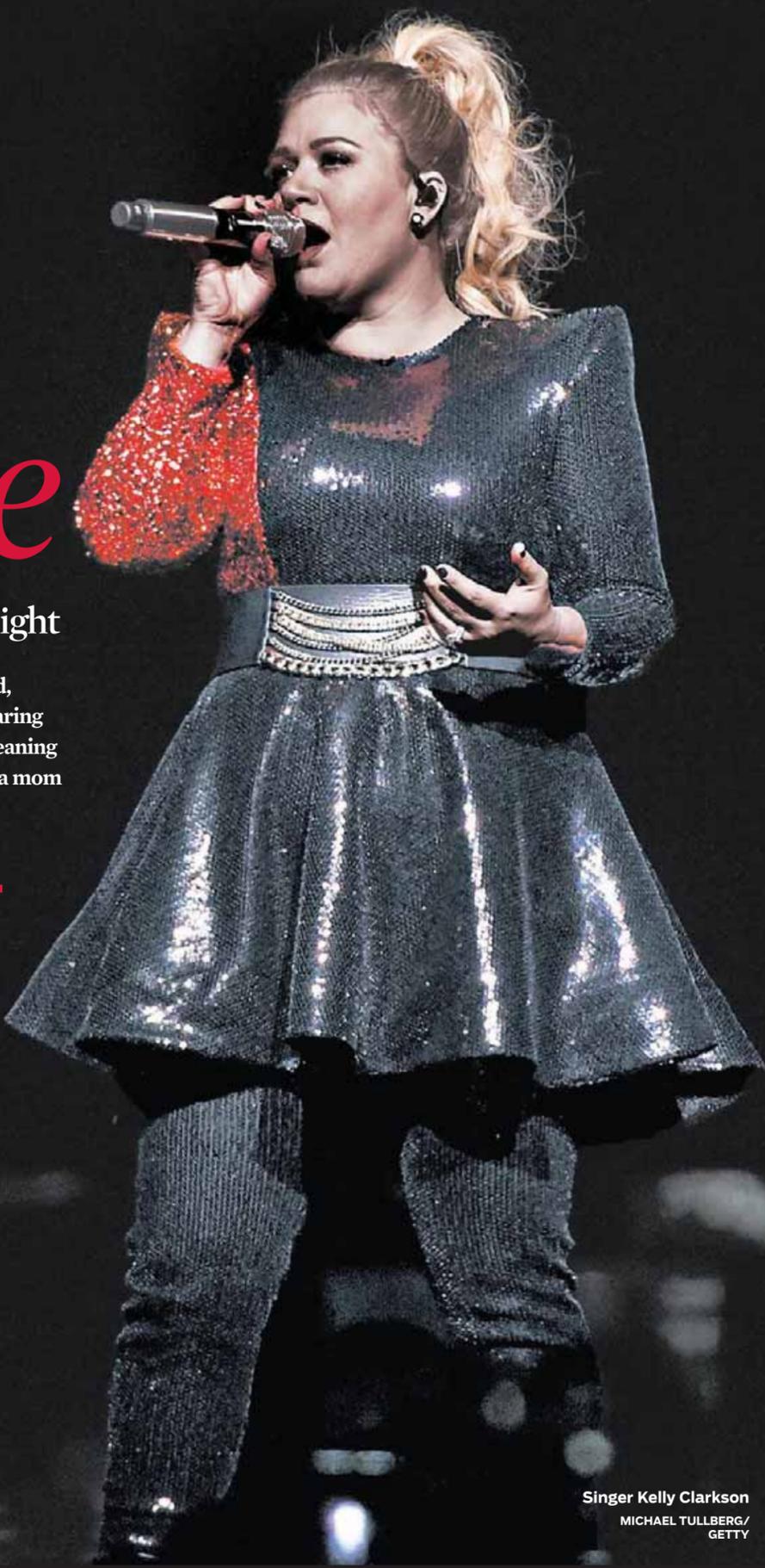
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## ON THE TOWN

# back with attitude

## Kelly Clarkson returns to the spotlight

Kelly Clarkson was the first "American Idol" winner, and, arguably, the show's greatest success story. Before appearing at Allstate Arena on Friday, she discusses her album "Meaning of Life" and her upcoming daytime talk show. She's also a mom and a stepmother, so she has a lot to juggle, and she tells Allison Stewart about it all on Page 5.



Singer Kelly Clarkson  
MICHAEL TULLBERG/  
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## TAKE 10

BY ADAM LUKACH  
Chicago Tribune

**1. Celebrate love with words:** One of Chicago's favorite venues hosts one of its favorite parties this weekend, as the Hideout sets the scene for the 13th annual Make-Out Party "An Evening of Aural Intercourse." The party spruces up the atmosphere with prom decorations and roses, plus a lineup of local musicians belting out "originals, arrangements of film music, and other classic love themes from all around the globe." 8-11:30 p.m. Saturday, *The Hideout*, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave., \$15; [www.hideoutchicago.com](http://www.hideoutchicago.com)

**2. Speaking of wordplay:** Canadian TV series "Schitt's Creek" has taken off in the country's southern neighbor thanks largely to Netflix, and the comedy has become a streaming hit. Much of the cast is in the midst of a "Up Close & Personal" live tour. Join Eugene Levy, Catherine O'Hara, Dan Levy, Annie Murphy, Emily Hampshire and Noah Reid for the Chicago edition. 6 and 9 p.m. Sunday, *Chicago Theatre*, 175 N. State St., \$68.50-\$103.50; [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

**3. Drink to Wrigleyville:** Old Crow Smokehouse in Wrigleyville will host the 2019 Chicago Whiskey & Wine Festival, featuring a variety of whiskeys, wines and other spirits, plus live country music. The event is broken into two sessions. Tickets to each includes entry, souvenir tasting glass and 15 tasting tickets. Noon-3 p.m., 4:30-7:30 p.m. Sat-



Catherine O'Hara and Eugene Levy in the comedy series "Schitt's Creek."

urday, 3506 N. Clark St. \$25-\$55; [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)

**4. Party at the DuSable:** Enjoy live sets from local musicians at Afro Fest, hosted by Sheila O from the Afrozons on Power 92. The Afrobeat party includes performances from Chai Tulani and The Bomba, Calid B, Jasmine Thurmond, L.A. VanGogh and a DJ set by Bonita Appleblunt. 7-11 p.m. Sat., *DuSable Museum of African American History*, 740 E. 56th Place. Tickets: \$20-\$40; [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com).

**5. Museum Free Days:** On vari-

ous dates through Feb. 28, Illinois residents can get free admission at virtually every museum in the city. Times, dates and participants include Adler Planetarium (Feb. 26-28), Art Institute of Chicago (5-8 p.m. every Thursday), Brookfield Zoo (Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday through Feb. 28), DuSable Museum of African American History (every Tuesday), Field Museum (Feb. 1-28), Museum of Contemporary Art (every Tuesday), Museum of Science and Industry (Feb. 25-28), Shedd Aquarium (all weekdays during February). Visit [www.choosechicago.com](http://www.choosechicago.com) for more info.

**6. Big show, big screen:** Have you ever watched the biggest stars of the big screen's biggest night on the big screen? You can at the Davis Theater, where this year's Academy Awards broadcast will take up an entire silver screen as part of the theater's "Oscars Live" party. Your ticket gets you one glass of beer or champagne, plenty of popcorn, food discounts and more. If you prefer no extras, the watch party alone is free. 5:30-11 p.m. Sunday, *Davis Theater*, 4614 N. Lincoln Ave. Free or \$20; <https://squareup.com/store/carbonarcbar/>

**7. Crate digging for gems:** Wade through a sea of antiques and collectibles at this weekend's two-day Randolph Street Market. There is an admission fee, but who knows what you'll find. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat. and Sun., 1341 W. Randolph St. \$10; [randolphstreet-market.com](http://randolphstreet-market.com)

**8. Jazz in the key of Ellison:** Celebrate famed author Ralph Ellison by getting a feel for his favorite jazz composers, from Duke Ellington to Thelonious Monk at this tribute concert, *Jazz in the Key of Ellison*. Roxane Gay will serve as the evening's host and moderator. Performers include Will Downing, Nicholas Payton and more. 6-10 p.m. Thursday, *Symphony Center*, 220 S. Michigan Ave. \$28-\$89; [cso.org](http://cso.org).

**9. A very chill(ed) party:** The cold-weather Winter Block Party lineup includes Glyders and Quintron's Weather Warlock, then a headlining set from Ty Segall and White Fence featuring Negative Scanner and Plack Blague, all outside (yes, outside) the Empty Bottle. Inside, Numero Group DJs will be spinning with the Sonorama DJ collective to create a warmer atmosphere. Donations accepted to benefit the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless. 1-7 p.m. Saturday, *Empty Bottle*, 1035 N. Western Ave. Free; [www.emptybottle.com](http://www.emptybottle.com)

**10. Julia Holter on the mic:** Julia Holter has become a rising star for her vocals. She'll play Thalia Hall this time around, to showcase her eclectic, dynamic, yet often-delicate sound. 8:30 p.m. Thursday, *Thalia Hall*, 1807 S. Allport St. \$20-\$25; <http://thalia-hallchicago.com/>

# TURN IT UP

BY GREG KOT



## Fulks, Lewis build feisty partnership

Pushing boundaries and having a blast

Robbie Fulks figured he would push the boundaries a bit in the first song he wrote for Linda Gail Lewis, the firebrand sister of rock 'n' roll pioneer Jerry Lee Lewis, but he really didn't know how she'd react.

"In the first verse of 'Round Too Long,' I called her a hellion, her dad a tomcat," Fulks says in a joint interview with Lewis. "In the second verse I wrote about how she liked to drink whiskey, then next about all the men she had. I'm thinking I really don't know this woman that well, but she didn't blanch. I thought once she crossed that barrier, anything can happen. She's the best of the old-school attitude."

The rollicking "Round Too Long," with Lewis pounding the keys and singing like the daughter of a tomcat, kicked off the duo's 2018 album, "Wild! Wild! Wild!" (Bloodshot), one of the most personal recordings in her 55-year career in music.

"I've been doing this a while, and at this time in my life, I don't want to go backward and keep making records in the same way," Lewis says. "When Robbie showed me 'Round Too Long,' it made me so happy I cried. I got excited because the approach was something new for me. He wrote another song, 'Hardluck, Louisiana,' about my early life growing up on a farm (in Ferriday, La.) and even though I had very little input into the lyrics, I felt like Robbie was there with us. He got me."

Lewis was still a kid, the youngest of four siblings, when her brother Jerry Lee started scoring hits with Sun Records in 1957. By 1964 at age 15, she was joining her brother in the recording studio and was on the road with him as backing singer. She released an album in 1969 and continued to work through 1977. Drugs and alcohol had taken a toll, and she hit the brakes for a decade to get healthy and tend to



Linda Gail Lewis and Robbie Fulks

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**Where:** Lincoln Hall, 2424 N. Lincoln Ave.

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her family. She resumed her career in the late 1980s and developed a loyal following in Europe. One of her fans, Van Morrison, recorded an album with Lewis in 2000, "You Win Again," that boosted her career yet again, her perseverance rewarded with late-blooming success.

"My parents always taught us that we had talent, that we could do anything we wanted to do if we worked at it, so I never thought it was crazy to start my solo career when I was 39 years old," Lewis says. "Jerry Lee once sat me down when we were on tour in Germany and showed me how to play boogie-woogie and rock

'n' roll. Before that I had been playing mainly chords on piano to write songs. He said, 'I'm only going to show you once, so pay attention.' Years later, I came back to it, and I remembered all of it. It took a while, but after three months on the road I got pretty good playing that style, and I've been going with it ever since."

The connection with Fulks came about just as Lewis was reviving her career in 1990. The two played some music together and clicked on a personal level. Fulks later pitched one of Lewis' daughters, Annie Marie Dolan, about producing an album for her mother.

"I thought the biggest contribution I could make was to come up with songs that reflect who she is and where she's been," Fulks says. "She has a story that is so varied, interesting, kick-ass and strange. I mean she was

running around with this caravan in the '60s with people like (guitarist) Kenny Lovelace and Jerry Lee Lewis, the only woman in the caravan in this royalty position, and your imagination takes over about what that must have been like for her. I knew that anything she sings is going to be interesting because she's a great singer, but to have her singing about her life, rather than singing another boogie-woogie song, could be powerful."

Fulks insisted on recording the album in a live setting that would allow for interaction and spontaneity with a band that includes Chicago-based multi-instrumentalist Scott Ligon and bassist Casey McDonough, who also play with Terry Adams in the current lineup of NRBQ.

"I was watching Terry of NRBQ and just thought the band was so great," Lewis says. "I re-

member saying to my daughter Annie that it would be wonderful if we could get those guys to play with us. And she said, 'Mom, that would never happen.' So when I saw Casey and Scott in the studio when we started recording, I was shocked. I was on cloud nine."

She also connected with Fulks as a singer, particularly on the old-school George Jones-Tammy Wynette-style duet "That's Why They Call it Temptation." Lewis laughs when she's asked to compare Fulks with previous duet partners such as Morrison and her brother.

"Robbie's a little bit easier to sing with because at least he looks at me," she says. "I never knew what my brother was going to do, but I was able to follow along. With Van, we did that whole album live on the floor with everybody playing. It's impossible to match what Van was doing with the vocals because he sings it differently every time, so I thought I'm just going to have fun with this and go for it, because these songs will never see the light of day. I was surprised and grateful as anyone that he put that record out."

The personal and artistic connection between Fulks and Lewis was strong enough that neither felt inhibited. That extended to the way the producer took some liberties in detailing the singer's life in certain songs. "Round Too Long" includes an anecdote about Lewis getting kicked out of a Flagstaff, Ariz., bar for inciting a riot because she was "rockin' the joint too hard."

"Complete BS," Fulks says with a laugh.

"But it should've happened!" Lewis interjects. "I've got time. Maybe I can still get that done."

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## Amazing things bubble up from 'meant to be' synergy

BY BRITT JULIOUS  
Chicago Tribune

It's strange to think in the year 2019 an album like "Synergy" is even necessary. An all-female-produced, -written, -engineered, -conceptualized and -directed album and series of music videos should have been commonplace in the music industry long now. Yet "Synergy" is one of a kind.

Conceptualized by local rapper and filmmaker Jovan Landry, "Synergy" is multiple things at once: a tribute and archive of the past as well as a testament to and belief in the future. Inspired by her friend and former co-worker Unmoveable (also featured on the album), Landry began to develop the idea for the album in 2017.

"I kept the idea in the back of my head and thought (it'd) be dope. So it just came from a casual conversation ... a random conversation."

Later that year Landry received a grant from WeWork. Landry used a black female entrepreneurs group to find grant opportunities, including the one obtained from WeWork, for which applications were due in just a few days. "I applied, made a 90-second video on my idea and got selected as a finalist and ended up being a winner," Landry said. "I just think that it's crazy how timing works because it was very hard to find grants at the time I was looking for funding for this project."

The name "Synergy," much like the idea of the album, derived from her time working on the University of Chicago campus. Having never heard the word before, Landry looked it up and found it was a perfect fit for what she was trying to accomplish. "It became my favorite word because it's true. You can't work by yourself. You do everything alone," said Landry. "Working together as a team has a way greater impact than what you can do on your own."

Looking back, the timing of it all was a bit of divine intervention. From the idea to the name to the funding, it seemed like everything was "meant to be," its own form of synergy perhaps, to make this project come to life. Work on Synergy began in December 2017 and, according to Landry, she spent more than a year and-a-half on the work.

Actually creating the album proved to be more of a challenge. While finding a bevy of female rappers is easy to accomplish in a city currently undergoing a renaissance of young women performers, finding others to flesh out the project — from engineers to producers — was more difficult.

"What about the women in the background? It's not to downplay men, but it's



JOHN A. GUTIERREZ PHOTO

Jovan Landry is the mind behind Synergy, an all-female-produced album and music video series.

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just with hip-hop, being such a male-dominated industry, it's like how about we challenge ourselves to find women who produce music or women who engineer," Landry added. "It was tough finding an engineer. It was tough finding women that are gaffers or assistant camera, but the power of social media has been a lovely tool in terms of helping me find and sourcing out other women in the industry." Other roles, including finding performers such as Glitter Moneyy, Jade the Ivy, and Sauda Muse, were sourced through already-established connections in the local music community.

In addition to their release show scheduled next month, Landry hopes to turn "Synergy" into a more active project with global reach. Think workshops and a tour. "Synergy" is very much a Chicago project, but that doesn't mean it can't and won't connect with artists everywhere. "Maybe I would like other cities—other nations—to do their own Synergy album," Landry said about her goals for the future. "And even if (the end result is) not music-based, it can just be all-women whatever. Let's encourage the whole world to have their own synergy."

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# Chopin in the City fest embraces classical, jazz



**HOWARD REICH**  
On Music

Chicago overflows with music soirees, but none quite like the Chopin in the City Festival. Though devoted to the music of Poland's greatest composer, the event stretches far beyond the exquisite notes he put on the page. It features classical, jazz and avant-garde musicians transforming some of the most brilliant music ever written for piano.

The public portion of the third annual festival will begin on Saturday and stretch through March 3, spotlighting musicians from Poland and the U.S. in intimate venues across the city. This year's lineup looks to be the most ambitious and stylistically far-reaching yet.

Among the highlights: Polish jazz pianist Piotr Orzechowski, Polish accordionist Jarek Bester and Chicago-based Polish singer Grazyna Auguscik (the festival's founder) Saturday evening at the Center on Halsted; Ukraine-based pianist Marianna Humetska in a "Chopin by Candlelight" program Sunday evening at the Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art; a screening of the film "Fryderyk" (in Polish with English subtitles) Sunday evening at the Society for Art; and Auguscik singing with the Atom String Quar-

ter on March 1 and 2 at the Green Mill Jazz Club.

Linking all these far-flung events is the vast repertoire of Chopin nocturnes, preludes, ballades, sonatas and other works that in the mid-19th century redefined what the piano could achieve.

"His music comes from the heart," says Auguscik, in explaining why she has devoted so much of the past three years to building this festival and the nonprofit organization that produces it, Sounds and Notes.

"It's the real thing. It's true. There's so much emotion in it. It gives you joy. It's very modern. It's very jazz. He definitely was a jazz player of that time."

By that Auguscik surely refers to the improvisational quality that courses through even Chopin's most meticulously constructed works. Many of Chopin's compositions defy traditional musical structures, suggesting instead a pianist spontaneously inventing free-flowing melody and turbulent changes of mood.

Perhaps that's why creative jazz musicians — including Auguscik and Bester — have sought to rework Chopin's compositions. Music this rich in harmonic implication seems to cry out for reinterpretation.

But Auguscik also has other reasons for spending months each year with her collaborator, Iwona Korzeniowska, planning the festival.

"I think that through different interpretations and different ways of show-



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## "His music comes from the heart."

— *Grazyna Auguscik, in explaining why she has devoted so much of the past three years to building this festival and the nonprofit organization that produces it*

ing this music, I could introduce classical music to different audiences, different generations," says Auguscik.

"I don't want to show Chopin's music in every show, but at least if someone (in each set) can touch a little bit of his work, it would be wonderful."

To make this happen, Auguscik and Korzeniowska have worked uncounted hours booking musicians, arranging travel and accommodations, lining up participating venues and otherwise keeping a one-of-a-kind festival humming.

"I'm very idealistic," says Auguscik, who adds that she's also "a warrior. But on the other hand, it's a pleas-

ure to bring something which I think will make society — I can't say different, but society needs something smaller, not only big shows. We need to be close to the musicians, close to the music.

"My dream is to spread the music around the city, in all communities and get different organizations involved. That's how arts can survive."

That Auguscik and Korzeniowska have been able to put together this year's impressive lineup on a budget of \$40,000 attests to the ingenuity of their work and passion for its value.

Following are highlights of the third annual Chopin in the City; for more information, visit <http://soundsandnotes.org>.

andnotes.org.

■ **Pianist Piotr Orzechowski**, accordionist Jarek Bester, singer Grazyna Auguscik. 7 p.m. Saturday; Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted St.

■ **"Chopin by Candlelight,"** with pianist Marianna Humetska, solo; 1 p.m. Sunday at Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, 2320 W. Chicago Ave. Also 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Polish Museum of America, 984 N. Milwaukee Ave.

■ **"Chopin Goes Avant-Garde,"** featuring the Nick Mazzarella Group, plus Piotr Orzechowski solo piano in "24 Preludes & Improvisations." 8 p.m. Monday at Elastic Arts, 3429 W. Diversey Ave.

■ **Matt Ulery Nonet.** 8:30 p.m. Feb. 28 at Constellation, 3111 N. Western Ave.

■ **Grazyna Auguscik** and Atom String Quartet. 9 p.m. March 1 and 8 p.m. March 2 at the Green Mill Jazz Club, 4802 N. Broadway.

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Writer Ralph Ellison treasured and illuminated the art of jazz, and "Jazz in the Key of Ellison" will feature music by those he revered, including Duke Ellington, Thelonious Monk, Louis Armstrong and Count Basie. Presented in multimedia fashion, with narration by writer Roxane Gay, the lineup will include trumpeter Nicholas Payton and singers Will Downing, Nona Hendryx and Quiana Lynell with Andy Farber and His Orchestra. 8 p.m. Friday in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$9-\$59; 312-294-3000 or [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org).

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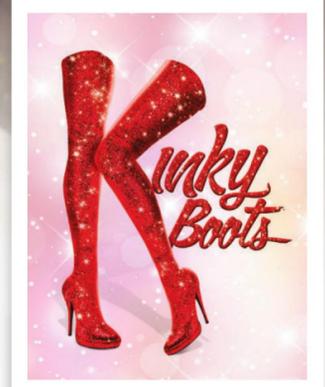
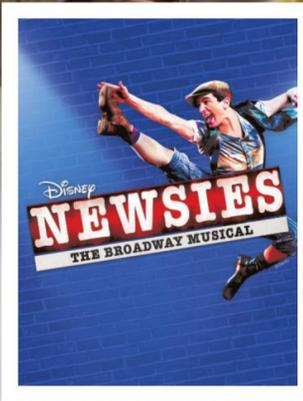
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POP MUSIC PREVIEW

# Career built piece by piece

After hit record, Clarkson set to host talk show

BY ALLISON STEWART  
Chicago Tribune

When Kelly Clarkson released “Meaning of Life,” the nostalgic pop-soul record that reinvigorated her career, she had a good feeling about it. “I felt it was going to be a big life change,” Clarkson says, in a phone call. “I just didn’t know how.”

Clarkson was the first “American Idol” winner, and, arguably, the show’s greatest success story. Although her career never flagged, exactly, by the time “Meaning of Life” arrived in the fall of 2017, she was ready for something new.

The album’s success, in conjunction with her growing visibility as a coach on “The Voice,” led to “The Kelly Clarkson Show,” a vaguely “Ellen”-like, variety-style daytime talk show that will launch in September. Until then, she’s promoting her role in the upcoming animated film “UglyDolls,” and her on-going tour, which arrives at Allstate Arena Friday night (Kelsea Ballerini and “Voice” winner Brynn Cartelli are on board as openers).

The following are excerpts from that conversation:

**She doesn’t feel conflicted about working motherhood.**

My mom was single for a portion of my life, so I always had a mom that worked really hard — I understood that at a young age. I didn’t feel abandoned. I knew she had to work, she had to pay our bills, and it was important to her. I’m not the mom with a ton of guilt about



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**Her new talk show will showcase — but also rein in — her natural chattiness.**

We shot the pilot, and I was like, “This is really fun.” Honestly, I was terrified at first. I was like, “This might be a horrible idea.” ... I definitely don’t have a problem (making conversation), but my problem is it has to be quick. I don’t do synopsis super well. I like investing in something wholeheartedly, even my friendships. I don’t do acquaintance super well. I like full-blown relationships.

**She’ll have to do homework on her celebrity**

that. I have a pretty good balance, I feel, like, super blessed in that area. I don’t feel like I have to really give up anything, because we have a super great support system and two nannies that help us out when I literally can’t be there because I’m onstage. My husband manages me, so normally if I’m working, he’s working.

**guests.**

I don’t follow pop culture as well as the average human. I don’t know when people get married or get divorced — I’m not usually the first person to know that, so I definitely have to have a stellar team that keeps me up to date. The last thing I’d ever want someone to feel is that I don’t (care). I want them to know that I care about what they’re doing, and it’s valid and of worth. It probably stems from Childhood Issues 101, but I definitely will do my homework.

**She doesn’t worry she might say something to jeopardize the natural**

**affection people feel for her.**

I had people in my life that worried about things I say, but I’ve never been that person. I don’t feel like I’ve ever been mean-spirited or unkind about something. Anything I’ve said needs to be said in that moment.

**She’s usually pretty confident in general.**

Once I survived the gantlet of junior high I became pretty confident, because I started singing, and that gave me a huge amount of confidence. People telling you you’re really good at something can turn a kid’s life around. It comes from kind of a sad

place, but when people that are supposed to love and support you the most, when they let you down in such a monumental way, nothing can really hurt your feelings. ... I think because I don’t derive validation or worth from others — if you put your worth and value into things that really matter to you, that’s where confidence comes from.

**Motherhood (Clarkson has two young children, and two stepchildren) has amplified that.**

It’s a different confidence being a mom. Not that you have to become a mom (to be confident), because that would be stupid. I wasn’t a mom for years, and I felt very confident. But becoming a mom, it really does weed out the bull----. You’re like, I really don’t have time. We’ve got four kids, I’ve got, like, four jobs. There’s not a lot of time for silliness.

**People understand that she’s the same as them, anyway.**

At the end of the day we all want to be loved, we want to find someone to love. I don’t feel uncomfortable saying how I feel most of the time, because I don’t think I’m alone in that. From “Idol,” people would say, “You’re a part of our family,” or, “We voted for the girl next door.” And I would say, “I kind of am, probably, I’m no different than you.” I lucked out. I am a hard worker, but I know plenty of people who worked very hard to get where I am, and they don’t get there. It’s just the aligning of the stars at some point. I’m no different.

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## Joe's Imports features 'paired' dishes

BY PHIL VETTEL  
Chicago Tribune

Joe Fiely, one of the original partners of Mia Francesca, will be the creative force behind Joe's Imports (813 W. Fulton Market), a wine bar and restaurant.

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Fiely is the wine director (and operating partner) for Francesca's Restaurant Group and designed the wine programs at Davanti Enoteca and The Purple Pig. At Joe's Imports, he'll



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and will sell bottles for carryout.

Not surprisingly, the menu is heavily Italian and offers a number of "paired" dishes that include a matching glass of wine.

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patio opens (warm weather is coming, I promise).

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Pizza Di Non is the buzzy pop-up pizza series helmed by industry veterans Austin Skiles and Michelle Marrocco. While the pair have continued to work in restaurants, they have also spent years honing their own pizza recipe, and last fall, began hosting a number of pop-up events to share it with the world. A storefront is their goal, but for right now, you'll have to settle for another pop-up: Pizza Di Non via Avec's Brunch with Friends series. So that means brunch pizza, which, sign us up. 10 a.m.-1:45 p.m. Sunday, Avec, 615 W. Randolph St. Reservations required. [resy.com](http://resy.com)



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— Adam Lukach

## WHERE TO EAT NOW

Restaurant reviews and profiles from Tribune food critic Phil Vettel, staff reporters and freelance writers. Reviewers make every effort to remain anonymous. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.

**Lena Brava** Rick Bayless' newest effort focuses on Mexico's Baja California Norte, a region whose cuisine is largely seafood based, with a reliance on open-fire cooking. Accordingly, Lena Brava cooks its hot dishes over wood coals, and does so with great finesse. The cold side of the menu features ceviches, aguachiles and laminados. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$18-\$26. 900 W. Randolph St., 312-733-1975. — Phil Vettel

**Locanda** Chef Antoine Cedici, formerly of Pane Caldo, offers Italian plates at this Streeterville restaurant, featuring extra touches that speak to value and commitment. Pastas are excellent, particularly the ravioli with a truffle filling, served with corn sauce and crispy prosciutto bits. Cedici's frutti di mare pasta is especially good, a surfeit of shrimp, calamari, clams and mussels — each at its ideal doneness. Among the sturdier main courses is a well-made osso bucco with a sauce of pureed vegetables, duck breast with a cherry-porto sauce, and branzino over an herb-rich wine and fish-stock sauce. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Main courses \$18-\$34. 201 E. Walton St., 312-397-8800. — Phil Vettel

**Lula Cafe** This mainstay is the foundation on which Logan Square's phenomenal dining scene was built. Owners Jason Hammel and Amalea Tshilds run the funky, two-room restaurant. Open: breakfast, lunch, dinner Wednesday-Monday. Prices: Entrees \$23-\$28. 2537 N. Kedzie Blvd., 773-489-9554. — Phil Vettel

**The Loyalist** One flight below the acclaimed Smyth restaurant lurks John and Karen Shields'

more casual spot. It's dark enough to work as a lounge and offers a menu deep enough to entertain serious diners. Start with biscuits with n'duja butter, and know that the cheeseburger might be the best of its kind in Chicago. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Entrees \$16-\$27. 177 N. Ada St., 773-913-3774. — Phil Vettel

**Majani** Majani, an African-American vegan restaurant in the South Shore neighborhood, serves what owners describe as "soulful vegan cuisine." Try the barbecue cauliflower. Chickpea-batter-dipped, deep-fried and tossed in a tangy house-made barbecue sauce, it is the most popular dish. Open: Lunch and dinner Tuesday-Saturday, lunch only on Sundays. Prices: \$6-\$16 appetizers and entrees. 7167 S. Exchange Ave., 773-359-4019. — Louisa Chu

**Maple & Ash** This steakhouse knows how to cook and how to have fun. Standards such as French onion soup are nicely rendered, and pastry chef Aya Fukai offers some of the most beautiful (and delicious) desserts you've ever seen. Open: Dinner daily; downstairs bar open lunch and dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$18-\$54. 8 W. Maple St., 312-944-8888. — Phil Vettel

**Margeaux Brasserie** Chef/restaurateur Michael Mina has landed in Chicago with this glamorous, 1920s-inspired brasserie inside the Waldorf Astoria. It's as pricey as the Gold Coast address would have you expect, but superb quality and generous portions ease the sting, as do the more casual bar menu and its bargain happy-hour specials. Look to cooked seafood appetizers (roasted oysters, moules frites) to start, and make room in the budget for the splendid bouillabaisse. Open: Breakfast and dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$28-\$59. 11 E. Walton St., 312-646-1300. — Phil Vettel

**Marisol** The chef behind Lula



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**Monnie Burke's** Anan Abu-Taleb, a restaurateur who also happens to be the mayor of Oak Park, put up a paradise with Monnie Burke's, a Pilsen destination for American dining with Mediterranean influences. The menu, by culinary director Michael Shrader (previously of Matthias Merges' Folkart group) isn't exciting at first, but the execution is impressive, bordering on thrilling. He ups the ante on otherwise ubiquitous starters such as octopus and avocado toast, and entrees don't miss a beat, like the prettily presented Faroe Island salmon, above. Desserts, also by Shrader, represent a stroll through the chef's childhood. Dinner Tuesday-Sunday, brunch Saturday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$15-\$34. 1163 W. 18th St., 312-243-2410. — Phil Vettel

Café (Jason Hammel) is working similar magic in this restaurant inside the Museum of Contemporary Art. Coffee and pastries are served in the early hours, and there are full lunch, brunch and dinner menus, where vegetable-forward plates and sometimes-incongruous ingredients matches are on full, enjoyable display. Closed Mondays; no dinner Sundays. Entrees \$16-\$38. 205 E. Pearson St., 312-799-3599. — Phil Vettel

**Mi Tocaya Antojeria** Diana Davila, the opening chef at Cantina 1910, is back with her own Mexican restaurant, serving food that's creative but still rooted in tradition. Try the "peanut butter y lengua," crisped cubes of braised beef tongue in a complex and

delicious sauce of peanuts, cured tomato and chile de arbol. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Small plates \$8-\$13, large plates \$24. 2800 N. Logan Blvd., 872-315-3947. — Phil Vettel

**mfk** With just 28 seats, mfk is tough to get into but worth the effort. Boquerones with shaved fennel should be part of any meal you assemble, and the platters are superb. Open: Dinner daily, lunch Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$20-\$24. 432 W. Diversey Parkway, 773-857-2540. — Phil Vettel

**Momotaro** The cooked dishes are more compelling than the sushi (however capable) at this ambitious Japanese restaurant. I loved every one of the rice and noodle dishes, particularly the

mentaiko spaghetti, an umami bomb of runny egg yolk and togarashi-spiced fish roe. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Sushi pieces \$6-\$12, entrees \$16-\$75. 820 W. Lake St., 312-733-4818. — Phil Vettel

**Monteverde** "Top Chef" alum Sarah Grueneberg's restaurant is all about pasta. Sit at the bar, where you can glimpse workers rolling, shaping and filling dough, then dive into one of the pastas tipica (traditional) or atipica (creative). There are no bad choices. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Main courses \$10-\$26. 1020 W. Madison St., 312-888-3041. — Phil Vettel

**Naoki Sushi** Chef Naoki Nakashima, who for years has overseen the sushi at Shaw's Crab House, is helming a small spot that shares kitchen space with Intro. The menu provides the sushi basics, all well-executed, but the specials are where you'll get the true measure of the chef's talent. Dinner Wednesday-Sunday. Prices: Main dishes \$16-\$29. 2300 N. Lincoln Park West, 773-868-0002. — Phil Vettel

**Next** The current menu for Next's ninth season is Silk & Spice, taking its inspiration from the Silk Road, which extended from China to the Mediterranean, and the spice trade, which covered similar territory. Shelve your expectations of curries and kebabs; Next, as it always does, surprises. It opens with the Trade Market course, appearing as a balance scale bearing a trio of reimagined Indian bites. Chef de cuisine Edgar Tinoco reaches into his Mexican roots for the Mole & Rain course: a hoja santa leaf bears spheres of horchata gummies. Just when I'd given up on curry, it finally arrived — as a dessert. Open: Dinner Wednesday to Sunday through April 20. Prices: Multicourse menu \$135-\$185. 953 W. Fulton Market, reservations through [www.tocktix.com](http://www.tocktix.com). — Phil Vettel

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# THE THEATER LOOP

BY CHRIS JONES



## 'Dear Evan Hansen' in high demand

Question: Which Broadway show has the highest audience demand in Chicago right now? "Hamilton" or "Dear Evan Hansen"?

Answer: "Dear Evan Hansen," the moody musical about a loving single mother and the struggles of an awkward teenager with a dodgy moral compass.

Unless you're lucky with lotteries, it will cost you over \$400 a ticket to snag a nice pair of ducats for the center orchestra section of the newly renamed James M. Nederlander Theatre this coming Saturday night. At press time, the secondary market for "Hamilton" was coughing up roughly the same price, but the inventory for "Dear Evan Hansen" tickets was far less, meaning that while "Hamilton" tickets likely will drop in price as performance time nears, "Dear Evan Hansen" will either stay the same or rise.

In fairness, let's note that "Hamilton" is toward the end of a multiyear engagement and, overall, will reach far more people, and have a far greater impact on the Loop economy than "Dear Evan Hansen" or any other show in living memory. Still, the demand for tickets here for the four-week run of "Dear Evan Hansen" is really, really something.

Is it that good a show? Four stars from me. I find it emotionally charged, sophisticated in its understanding of how social media amplifies teenagers' timeless problems and generous with its melodies and willingness to forgive. It's a show about how screwing up doesn't have to end our lives, and that explains why teenagers have responded so warmly.



MATTHEW MURPHY PHOTO

Ben Levi Ross, Aaron Lazar, Christiane Noll and Maggie McKenna perform in "Dear Evan Hansen."

As with Lin-Manuel Miranda's "Hamilton," Benj Pasek's and Justin Paul's score made its way into the broader consciousness long before the show arrived in town. So a lot of the people heading into the Nederlander Theatre already know songs like "You Will Be Found," or "Waving Through a Window." The show's narrative also includes the making of a star in Ben Platt. Platt is not in the touring cast, but in a weird way he still is selling tickets.

But as with all products in live entertainment, marketing is a big piece of the picture.

I've long admired the visual look of the "Dear Evan Hansen" logo and other advertising, which is strikingly fresh, unified and sophisticated. The show has

already added a behind-the-scenes coffee-table tome and, more unusually, a book that tells the story of the show in novel form. Both of those publications — which landed in more than a few teen and tween Christmas stockings — have juiced the demand the tickets.

On opening night last week, the show handed out free baseball caps, replete with the logo of the show on the front and "Opening Night Chicago" on the back.

These freebies landed on the heads of almost everyone exiting the show — including the nogginns of many members of the media.

Big deal, you might be thinking.

But I have been racking my brain for the last time any theater show in Chicago gave away some-

thing like this to an entire audience. And you know what? I could not think of one.

Sports teams do these kinds of promotions all the time, of course. In the 2019 season, the Chicago Cubs have more than 35 promotional giveaways — hats created by local artists, player bobbleheads, replica jerseys, even a Javier Baez Sliding Coin Bank. You know you want one of those. Watching the sea of blue hats flowing out of the Nederlander, I wondered why the performing arts are not on this train.

A Robert Falls bobble-head! A Steppenwolf cap! A Jeffrey Bobble-dancer. A Riccardo Muti sliding coin bank!

"Dear Evan Hansen" is proving they work. And they cost but a

tiny percentage of the ticket price paid.

Of course, anytime a show sells like this indicates money left on the table. "Dear Evan Hansen" seriously underanticipated the demand in a city where I'd say it could have done 6-9 months quite profitably. And since it's on a tour, it cannot extend to take advantage of the sell-out. On March 12, it has to open in Durham, N.C. I imagine the producers now are wishing they had created two companies. But they were too nervous for their own good.

No doubt frustrated by all the money being lost to ticket brokers taking advantage of the demand, "Dear Evan Hansen" has now announced its return to Chicago in 2020; next time, it plans to rectify its mistake and stick around for 12 weeks during the summer. You can buy your tickets now — which is far sooner than Broadway in Chicago usually makes tickets available.

By the summer of 2020, some of that demand likely will have dissipated. A new Broadway show, "Be More Chill," arrives this spring, hoping to snag much the same demographic. But "Dear Evan Hansen" was already locked in to its tour. On the other hand, "Hamilton" likely will be gone by then, so I wouldn't bet against "Dear Evan Hansen" doing just fine in 2020, when more people will have read the novel, heard the music and wondered about all those blue hats on the streets of Chicago.

I bet by 2020, you'll have lots of chances to get one of your own.

Chris Jones is a Tribune critic.

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## CHRIS JONES RECOMMENDS

### "Blue Man Group"

★★★★½

"Blue Man Group" has been playing at Briar Street since 1997, a remarkable run of 20-plus years. *Open run at the Briar Street Theatre, 3133 N. Halsted St.; \$49-\$69 at www.ticketmaster.com*

### "A Doll's House, Part 2"

★★★★

"A Doll's House, Part 2" is the taut, smart new play at Steppenwolf Theatre from the writer Lucas Hnath, which explores questions about matrimony and being alone. Hnath does so through the device of a sequel to playwright Henrik Ibsen's play — in which Nora, a wife and mother, walked out on her family in 1879. Some 15 years later, Nora (Sandra Marquez) walks back through the door she once slammed. Witt's production lacks a bit of the bounce of the original Broadway staging. That said, I like this piece of writing very much. *Through March 17 at Steppenwolf Theatre, 1650 N. Halsted St.; \$20-\$99 at www.steppenwolf.org*

### "Fulfillment Center"

★★★★½

The word "Amazon" is never mentioned in Abe Kogler's play "Fulfillment Center," but this wry, poignant new work nonetheless feels part of the great debate about whether or not an online retailer is worthy of taxpayer subsidies. *Through March 24 at A Red Orchid Theatre, 1531 N. Wells St.; \$30-\$40 at www.aredorchidtheatre.org*

### "A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder"

★★★★

Matt Crowle plays a multitude of comedic roles in the lively new Porchlight Music Theatre production of "A Gentleman's Guide to Love & Murder," the recent Broadway musical about an enterprising young man named Monty (Andres Enriquez) who finds himself in line to an aristocratic fortune and sets about murdering everyone else in the line of succession. All of those eight victims are played by Crowle, who is every bit as talented as the star in New York. *Through March 16 at the Ruth Page Center for the Arts, 1016 N. Dearborn St.; \$39-\$66 at 773-777-9884 or www.porchlightmusictheatre.org*

### "Girl in the Red Corner"

★★★★

Stephen Spotswood's "Girl in the Red Corner" is an intense play about a working-class woman (Elise Marie Davis) who decides to take up mixed martial arts as a means of fighting back against the demands of her difficult life. Broken Nose Theatre literally goes to the mat with this show, with actors pounding each other in an up-close production that won't lose your attention for a second. *Through March 9 at the Den Theatre, 1333 N. Milwaukee Ave.; \$5-\$40 or pay what you can, www.brokennosetheatre.com*

### "Hamilton"

★★★★

This heartland "Hamilton" is more in touch with the fundamental scrappiness of the early years of a rebel colony turned into a spectacular democratic experiment. *Open run at CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St.; \$65-\$400 at 800-775-2000 or www.broadwayinchicago.com*

### "How to Catch Creation"

★★★★

The ambition inherent in Christina Anderson's heady play at the Goodman Theatre is in its title: "How to Catch Creation." We're in the realm of African-American intellectuals and artists from San Francisco, and, in this telling, having a child is the very essence of creativity, and so is falling in love. *Through Sunday at the Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St.; \$20-\$70 at 312-443-3800 and www.goodmantheatre.org*

### "Nina Simone: Four Women"

★★★★

"Nina Simone: Four Women" is about the singer early in her career and is set in the aftermath of a 1963 bombing that killed four children. It's now at the Northlight Theatre in Skokie with the formidable Sydney Charles in the title role. Simone released an album in response to that atrocity — Charles goes right to where Simone would have been in that moment. *Through March 3 at Northlight Theatre at the North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie; \$30-\$88; 847-673-6300 and www.northlight.org*



MATTHEW MURPHY PHOTO

The cast of "Dear Evan Hansen," coming to the Nederlander Theatre in Chicago.

## HOT TICKET

### "Dear Evan Hansen" ★★★★★

The first national tour of "Dear Evan Hansen" opened at the newly renamed Nederlander Theatre with pretty much its entire four-week Chicago run sold out. Teenagers could be seen snaking throughout the lobbies, half-singing the Benj Pasek and Justin Paul score. This is the rare show, many of them feel, that understands them. The writer Steven Levenson has created a show about teen suicide and parental loss, but mostly about how our need to be liked can lead us down a path of bad decisions. And, thanks to social media, youthful mistakes that once lived and died in a private sphere now so easily can spiral out of control. The best moments with this new touring cast are between Evan (Ben Levi Ross at most performances) and his divorced mother, Heidi (Jessica Phillips). You cannot help but feel as they do. *Through March 10 at the Nederlander Theatre, 24 W. Randolph St.; \$85-\$175 at 800-775-2000 or www.broadwayinchicago.com*

### "Noises Off" ★★★★★

Now 37 years old, Michael Frayn's "Noises Off" is not only one of the funniest English-language farces of the 20th century but far and away the best comedy ever written about the perils of putting on a show. In the first act, you watch the dress rehearsal of a bedroom farce. In Act Two, you watch part of a performance from a backstage perspective, only by now the relationships between cast members has deteriorated. By Act Three, it's an all-out war. *Through April 7 at Windy City Playhouse, 3014 W. Irving Park Road; \$45-\$85 at 773-891-8985 or www.windycityplayhouse.com*

### "Photograph 51" ★★★★★

In playwright Anna Ziegler's terrific new play at Court Theatre, hypothesizing is a whole lot sexier than offering proof. "Photograph 51" is about the search for the structure of DNA. The first model was built by the British-American team of James Watson and Francis Crick, but this play is all about another scientist, Rosalind Franklin. *Through Saturday at Court Theatre, 5535 S. Ellis Ave.; \$50-\$74 at 773-753-4472 or www.courttheatre.org*

### "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom" ★★★★★

The music business is the subject of August Wilson's "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom," which you can see at Writers Theatre in Glencoe under the solid direction of Ron OJ Parson. Penned in 1982, it's the only Wilson play to be set in Chicago; the story takes place in the 1920s when the likes of Brunswick and Chess Records were going strong in the city. And thanks to a rich and complex performance by Felicia P. Fields, you understand what Wilson was trying to say. In the absence of equity or fairness, you have to grab what you can. *Through March 17 at Writers Theatre, 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe; \$35-\$80 at 847-242-6000 or writerstheatre.org*

### "Pipeline" ★★★★★

African-American mothers with teenagers have been topical in the American theater of late. Now in Chicago at Victory Gardens Theatre comes Dominique Morisneau's "Pipeline," wherein a mother and schoolteacher (Tyla Abercrombie) is horrified to discover that her son (Matthew Elam) was caught shoving a teacher against the wall Cheryl

Lynn Bruce's superbly cast production is filled with powerful individual performances. *Through March 3 at Victory Gardens Theatre, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave.; \$27-\$60 at 773-871-3000 or www.victorygardens.org*

### "The Producers" ★★★★★½

As I sat there at the Paramount Theatre's new production of "The Producers," as directed by Jim Corti, I kept thinking, they'd never get away with that joke now. Corti's production is fearless, often doubling down where others would demur, and it is brimming with original ideas. *Through March 17 at the Paramount Theatre, 23 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora; \$36-\$69 at 630-986-6666 or www.paramountaurora.com*

### "The Realistic Joneses" ★★★★★

Will Eno's "The Realistic Joneses" is a portrait of two stages of a marriage. The older couple, married by Linda Reiter and H.B. Ward, are in that twilight zone between middle and old age, still working for a living but also staring emptiness in the face. *Through March 9 at Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.; \$24-\$74 at 773-975-8150 or www.shatteredglobe.org*

## OPENING NIGHTS

### Friday

**"Act(s) of God":** As a family gathers for an overdue dinner, a mysterious envelope arrives with astonishing news. *Through April 7 at Lookingglass Theatre, 821 N. Michigan Ave.; 312-337-0665 and www.lookingglasstheatre.org*

### Saturday

**"Gross Indecency: The Three Trials of Oscar Wilde":** The play examines the persecution and prosecution of Wilde for his homosexuality in late 19th century Britain. *Presented by Prometheus Theatre Ensemble through March 23 at Strawdog Theatre, 1802 W. Berenice Ave.; 773-528-9696 and www.prometheantheatre.com*

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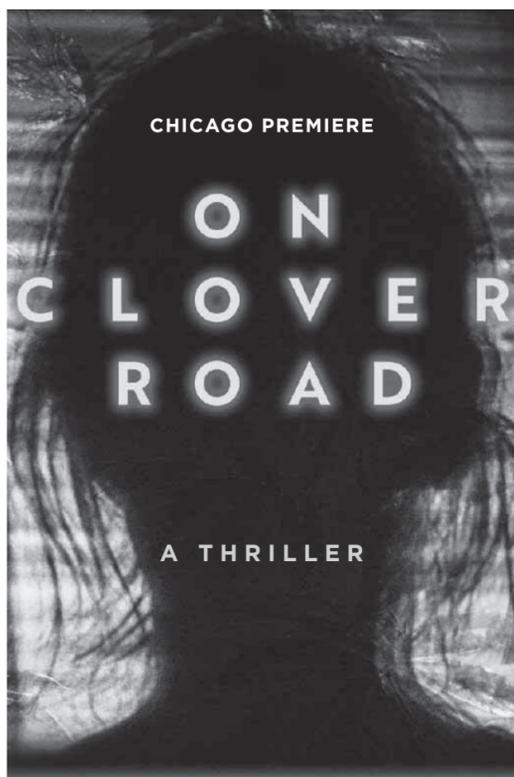
**"The Man Who Was Thursday":** When Scotland Yard's Gabriel Syme joins an undercover detail tasked with infiltrating anarchists' operations, he soon finds himself sitting on their supreme council with the code name "Thursday." *Through April 7 at Lifeline Theatre 6912 N. Glenwood Ave.; 773-761-4477 and lifelinetheatre.com*

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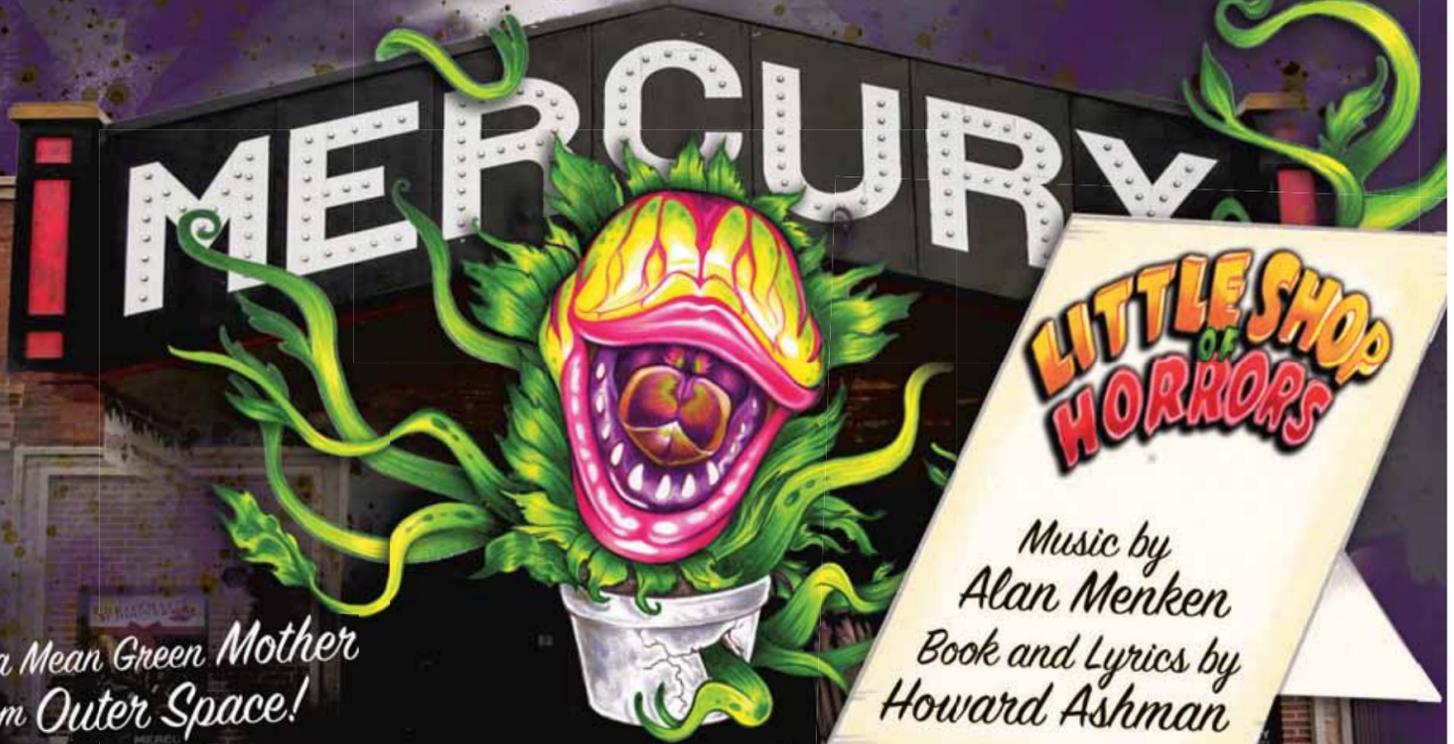
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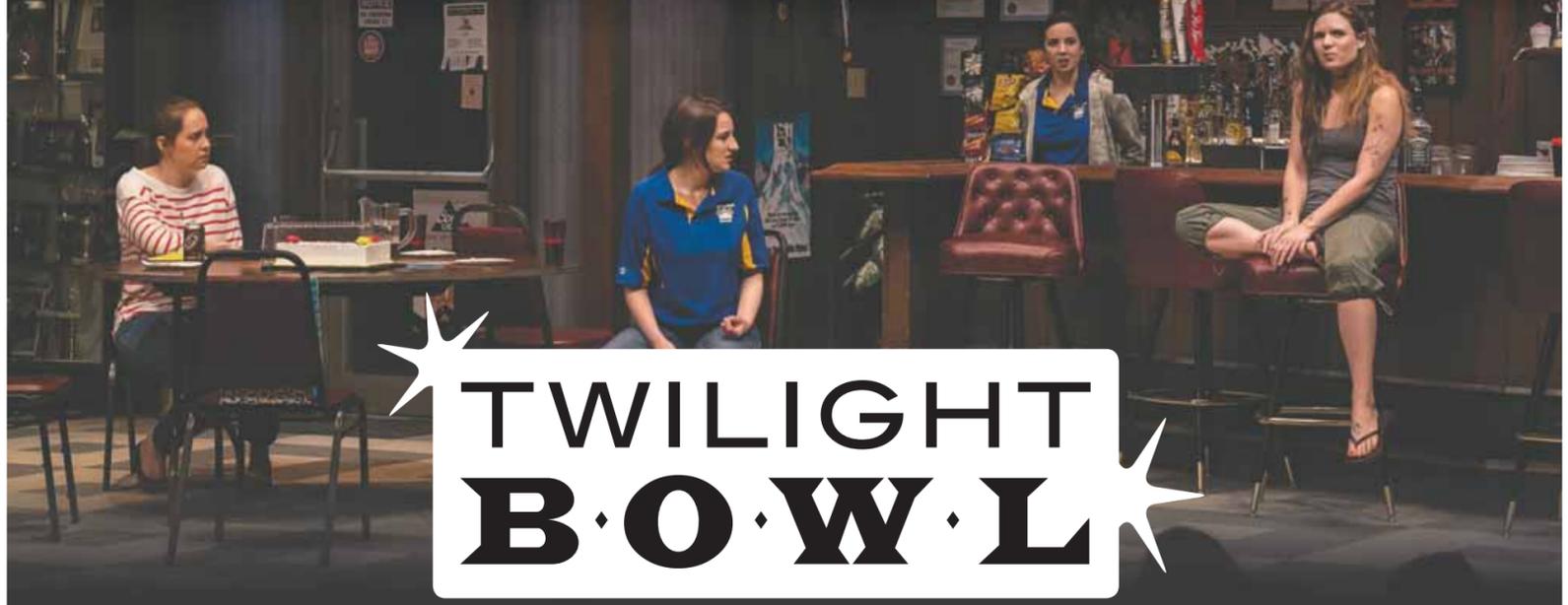
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## 2019 Honda Insight is a more refined, fuel-efficient Civic

The Honda Insight has come a long way since it became the first hybrid vehicle on the market in North America.

But that was way back in 1999, when the gas-electric hybrid powertrain was a new concept for most people. Many manufacturers had only recently



switched from fueling their cars with carburetors to using more efficient, less polluting fuel-injection systems.

Then out of the ether came the space pod Insight, with its wind-cheating fender skirts and full wheel covers. It was never a strong seller.

If sales numbers indicate anything about the American car-buying public, it's that people value predictability and convention over most other things. Otherwise, we wouldn't see so many white, silver, and tan cars on the road, and more people would be driving the oddball hybrids that promise higher mpg and a more "futuristic" future.

The new Insight features conventional styling, solid road manners, and outstanding fuel economy — all things the prudent car shopper will want. It's solid A-to-B transportation backed up by Honda's legendary reputation for reliability as well as an innovative transmission-less 2-motor hybrid-electric system that's so good you hardly know it's there.

Styling is somewhere between the Civic and the Accord, albeit closer to the latter. The Insight is smaller than the Accord, but less flashy than the sport-oriented Civic. If you could compare the Insight's sheet metal to a men's clothing ensemble, it would be a pair of charcoal gray dress slacks, a white button-down shirt, a gray or blue cardigan, and a pair of black oxfords. It's something a bureaucrat would drive, on or off the clock. The Insight keeps it business-casual, so to speak, which for the average commuter is A-OK.

### Goldilocks interior

Like the Civic upon which it's loosely based, the Insight has a roomy interior and comfortable seats. Quality interior surface materials and a borderless infotainment screen that appears to be floating above the dash give the Insight's interior a slightly upscale look. Light-colored upholstery, which extends to the lower dash and door panels, only kicks up the classy a few more notches.

The car's electronic continuously variable transmission (eCVT) allowed Honda to eke out the most space possible in a car that's less than 6 feet wide and just over 15 feet in length. Rear headroom, legroom, and hip room are comparable to the Civic, but with nearly 98 cu.-ft. of interior volume, the Insight offers 3 cu.-ft. more overall space than the slightly smaller Civic. (The Accord's interior volume is about 103 cu.-ft., in case you were wondering.)

The battery pack for the Insight's hybrid powertrain is mounted beneath the rear seat, so it doesn't invade territory better suited for cargo. At 15 cu.-ft., the trunk is generous for a small car. It's set up in a way that easily accommodates bulky items, even if the hatch opening is a bit small. The rear seats fold mostly flat to allow for greater utility.

The prognosis from my end? Too bad Honda doesn't offer this car in hatchback format. (The Civic hatch offers gobs of cargo space for its size, but styling reminiscent of the Fast and Furious films may rub some the wrong way.)

### A surefire commuter go-to

For those interested in a sober, dependable compact sedan that delivers great fuel economy, it's difficult to do much better than the Insight. Elegant modern styling on top of a sensible interior and smart powertrain make for the best kind of commuter car — the one you don't have to pay any attention to. It's also reasonably priced, with a base price less than \$24,000 and an as-tested price — on the top-end Touring model, no less — of just under \$30,000.

If there's one thing that's certain about fuel prices, it's that they can change rapidly. When they spike again — and they will — a lot of people will be glad Honda has gotten this technology down pat.

— Benjamin Preston, *New York Daily News*

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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 DARRIN D PORTER AKA DARRIN PORTER
A MINOR NO. 2018JD01885

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
Notice is given you, William Porter (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on November 21, 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 Kristina Royce Rivers in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on 03/08/2019 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 56 COURTROOM 10 ,

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT February 22, 2019
ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: G. Morris E. Washington ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

LEGAL NOTICE
In the matter of the revision of the assessment of Real Property for 2019:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-35 of the Illinois Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/14-35) that the Assessor of Cook County will sit for the purpose of reviewing the proposed 2019 assessment of Real Property located in the following township(s) or taxing district(s) in Cook County:

ROGERS PARK
Identified also as Area(s) 10,11, under the Permanent Real Estate Index Numbering System of Cook County.

The last date within which applications for revisions of assessment (Real Estate Assessed Valuation Appeals) may be filed for consideration at said sitting is March 18, 2019.

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Done by the Assessor of Cook County this 22nd day of February, 2019.
FRITZ KAEGI ASSESSOR OF COOK COUNTY

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION
IN THE INTEREST OF Jaden Jones
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Michelle Gatlin (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00969

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, John Landers (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 27, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Kimberly Lewis in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 03/15/2019, at 9:30 AM IN CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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 22, 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 Kimyanna I Hughes AKA Kimyanna Hughes
A MINOR NO. 2018JD01739

Notice is given you, Africa Hill (Guardian) Teresa Hughes (Adoptive Mother) Kimyanna I Hughes AKA Kimyanna Hughes (Minor), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on October 24, 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 Lana Charisse Johnson in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on 03/08/2019 at 9:30 AM IN CALENDAR 68 COURTROOM 3 ,

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT March 8, 2019
ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: M. Egan, D. Auguste ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

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In the matter of the revision of the assessment of Real Property for 2019:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Section 14-35 of the Illinois Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/14-35) that the Assessor of Cook County will sit for the purpose of reviewing the proposed 2019 assessment of Real Property located in the following township(s) or taxing district(s) in Cook County:

ORDER OF NOTICE
Notice to: Luis Moroch, father of minor child born on, 10/9/2015 to Mayra Sigua of parts unknown
A petition/motion has been filed seeking: Commitment of minor child(ren) of the above named or vesting of custody and care of said child(ren) of the above named in a lawful, private or public agency or a suitable and worthy person.

The petition, whereby the court's decision can affect your parental rights, if any regarding minor child(ren) will be heard on 3/5/2019 at 9:30am at 60 Housatonic Avenue Bridgeport CT 06604
Therefore, ORDERED, that notice of the hearing of this petition be given by publishing this Order of Notice once, immediately upon receipt, in the Chicago Tribune a newspaper having a circulation in Chicago
/s/ Hon. Michael Maronich /s/ Robert Lessler/Clerk DATE SIGNED: 2/4/2019

RIGHT TO COUNSEL: Upon proof of inability to pay for a lawyer, the court will provide one for you at court expense. Any such request should be made immediately at the court office where your hearing is to be held.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS February 22, 2019

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION
IN THE INTEREST OF Thomas Edwards
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Sade Edwards (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01205

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Kenneth Miles (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on December 21, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Kimberly Lewis in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 03/18/2019, at 9:30 AM IN CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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 22, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION
IN THE INTEREST OF Tremayne Williams
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Melissa Vega (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 14JA01093

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Tremayne Williams (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on January 15, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 03/15/2019, at 10:30 AM IN CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM A, 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 22, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION
IN THE INTEREST OF Yo Lan Thomas
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Nautica Thomas (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00105

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on February 7, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Bernard Sarley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 03/15/2019, at 11:00 AM IN CALENDAR 9 COURTROOM I, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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 22, 2019

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NOTE TO DISADVANTAGED AND VETERAN OWNED BUSINESSES
Kenny-Kraemer, A JV, 2215 Sanders Road, Suite 400, Northbrook, IL 60062, (847) 919-8200, is seeking disadvantaged businesses (DBE) and veteran owned small businesses (VOSB) for the Illinois Tollway Project I-18-4430, I-294 Mile Long Bridge MP 20.7 to MP 22.3. Subcontracting and supplier opportunities may include, but not limited to: Drilled Shafts, Concrete Expansion Joints, Piling, Rebar, Demolition, Electrical, Environmental, Excavating, Asphalt Paving, Flatwork, Drainage, Fence & Guardrail, Landscaping, Painting, Pavement markings, Traffic Control, Signage, Structural Steel, Survey, Trucking, and Vibration Monitoring. All DBE and VOSB businesses should contact Keith Martin (847) 777-7516 to discuss subcontracting opportunities and link to plans/specs. All negotiations must be completed no later than Wednesday, March 13th by 5:00 PM. Bids will be evaluated based on performance, qualifications, experience and price. Please fax quotes and DBE/VOSB certifications to (847) 272-5930 or gmcivestimating@cccinc.com. Kenny-Kraemer, A JV, an equal opportunity employer.

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, v. ROBERT P. KOWALSKI, AKA ROBERT KOWALSKI; THE CITY OF BUREANK; STATE OF ILLINOIS; CITY OF CHICAGO, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY; EVERGREEN BANK GROUP, FORMERLY KNOWN AS EVERGREEN COMMUNITY BANK; MILWAUKEE GOLF DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; WINDSOR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; WINDSOR LONG, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH14481 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Windsor Condominium Association, Windsor Long, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Unit Number 1-A, as delineated on plat of survey of the following described parcel of real estate (hereinafter referred to as parcel): Lot 8 in Block 2 in Roberts Milwaukee Avenue Subdivision of Lots 5 and 10 of the Subdivision of that part West of Milwaukee Avenue of Lot 5 in the School Trustees Subdivision of section 16, Township 40 North, Range 13 East of the Third Principal Meridian. (Except the North 1 1/2 rods of the) the South 4 rods of said Lot Aforesaid) in Cook County, Illinois, Which survey is attached as Exhibit "A" to Declaration of Condominium made by Windsor Construction Company Inc. an IL Corporation and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois as Document Number 21004790 together with its undivided percentage interest in said parcel (Excepting from said parcel all the property and space comprising all the units thereof as defined and set forth in said declaration and plat of survey) in Cook County, Illinois. 4535 North Long Avenue #1A, Chicago, IL 60630 13-16-116-030-1001 Now, therefore, unless you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Windsor Condominium Association, Windsor Long, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before MARCH 11, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.ilscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.ilscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp or contact the Clerk of this Court. Alan S. Kaufman (6289893) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700, Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: self-askaufman@manleydeas.com file number: 18-034129 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 2/8, 15, 22/2019 6130888

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F1901002 LCARE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC Plaintiff, vs. Elliott Alvarez; Wanda Alvarez; Resurgent Capital Services; Metropolitan Capital Bank; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 19 CH 648 1656 North Menard Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60639 Curry, Jr. Calendar 57 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Elliott Alvarez, Wanda Alvarez, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: LOT 1 IN BLOCK 1 IN KEENEY'S NORTH AVENUE SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 2, 3, 4 IN COUNTY CLERK'S DIVISION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 40 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, (EXCEPT FOR PARTS OF PECK'S ADDITION NOT VACATED) IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS P.L.N.: 13-32-413-014-000 Said property is commonly known as 1656 North Menard Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60639, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Wanda Alvarez and Elliott Alvarez and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 121291212 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before MARCH 25, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.ilscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.ilscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd. Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 ilseladings@anselmolindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 2/22, 3/1, 8/2019 6151730

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER, Plaintiff, v. RENITA R. HARRIS-GHOLSTON; IRWIN MORTGAGE CORPORATION; BMO HARRIS BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION F/K/A HARRIS BANK ARGO; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY; CHRIS GHOLSTON; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH15315 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Irwin Mortgage Corporation, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 83 (Except the North 7 1/2 feet thereof) and the North 10 feet of Lot 84 in Wells and Nash's Resubdivision of Blocks 5, 6, 11 and 12 in the Subdivision of the South 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 and the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 17, Township 37 North, Range 14, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois. 10520 South Sangamon Street, Chicago, IL 60643 25-17-219-070-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Irwin Mortgage Corporation, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before March 25, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.ilscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.ilscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp or contact the Clerk of this Court. Shara A. Netterstrom (6294499) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: self-sanetterstrom@manleydeas.com file number: 18-037756 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 2/22, 3/1, 8/2019 6152026

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The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be accepting applications for the following classification(s):
Electrical Instrument & Testing Mechanic (Original)
Application Filing Period: February 15, 2019 through March 1, 2019. Examination Date: March 30, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of electrical instrument & testing mechanic practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, performs skilled work in the repair, testing and maintenance of various equipment at District facilities including, plant process control equipment, power distribution systems, voice and data communication networks, including telemetry. Pay: \$51.90 per hour
Laboratory Technician II (Original & Promotional)
Application Filing Period: February 15, 2019 through March 15, 2019. Examination Date: April 6, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of Laboratory Technician II practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, performs all required analyses of sludge, sewage, soils, plant tissue, microbial populations, radiological materials, industrial wastes, and other materials as part of the research and quality control functions of the laboratory; is responsible for specific laboratory apparatus, may act as leader of a work group, or may monitor assigned research projects. Pay: \$52,263.64 per year
Senior Laboratory Technician (Promotional)
Application Filing Period: February 15, 2019 through March 15, 2019. Examination Date: April 6, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of senior laboratory technician practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, makes routine chemical, biological or microbiological analyses of sewage sludge, industrial waste, water, fertilizer, and other materials produced, used or disposed of by the District or related to the District's treatment processes. Assists in carrying out chemical and research problems in bacteriology and in determining new or improved methods of analysis. Pay: \$67,032.16 per year
Senior Structural Engineer (Original & Promotional)
Application Filing Period: February 8, 2019 through March 8, 2019. Examination Date: March 29, 2019 at MWRD Main Office Building Annex, 111 East Erie Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of senior structural engineer practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Performs supervisory professional structural engineering work in connection with the design, layout, preparation of plans and estimates and erection or alteration of structural steel, timber, concrete and reinforced concrete structures. Pay: \$97,995.04 per year
Treatment Plant Operator I (Original)
Application Filing Period: February 22, 2019 through March 22, 2019. Examination Date: April 13, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of Treatment Plant Operator I practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, controls and coordinates the routine sewage treatment process operation on an assigned shift in a sewage treatment plant. Pay: \$59,237.62 per year
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MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, v. SAMUEL BAILEY, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 18-03910C000288 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Samuel Bailey, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 19 in Block 15 in the Second Addition to Hinkamp and Company's Western Avenue Subdivision, Being a Subdivision of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 4, Township 39 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, to be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6143870

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, v. HENRYK GASOWSKI, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or contact the Clerk of this Court. Alan S. Kaufman (6289983) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-0404 Fax: 614-220-5613 Attorney No. 48928 Email: [sef-saunetstrom@manleydeas.com](mailto:sef-saunetstrom@manleydeas.com) file number: 18-034236 One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 2/8, 15, 22/2019 6130870

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, MIDFIRST BANK, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DOROTHY J. SANFORD AKA DOROTHY J. HALL STANFORD, DECEASED; JOHN W. SANFORD; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; CARNELL L. HALL, Defendants, Case No. 2019CH01212 Affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Heirs and legatees of Dorothy J. Sanford Aka Dorothy J. Hall Stanford, deceased, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: Lot 31 in Block 15 in the Second Addition to Hinkamp and Company's Western Avenue Subdivision, Being a Subdivision of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 36, Township 38 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, to be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. TLBL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146115

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, v. J. SHANNON AKA JAMES E. SHANNON; MARGARET D. SHANNON AKA MARGARET G. GILLIGAN; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants). Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Case No.: 2019CH02055 Property Address: 4941 W. Gunnison St. Chicago, IL 60630 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and others, asking for foreclosure of the Mortgage held by the Plaintiff on the property located at 4941 W. Gunnison St., Chicago, IL 60630, more particularly described as: LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY LOT 17 IN BLOCK 7 IN MURRAY'S ADDITION TO JEFFERSON BEING A SUBDIVISION OF SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index Number: 13-09-430-08-0000 Commonly known as: 4941 W. Gunnison St., Chicago, IL 60630 UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this cause in the Office of the Clerk of Cook County at the Richard J. Daley Center located at 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602 on or before March 25, 2019, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT FOR FORECLOSURE. THIS COMMUNICATION IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Quintarros, Prieto, Wood & Boyer, P.A. 233 S. Wacker Drive, 70th Floor Chicago, IL 60606 Firm ID: 48947 Phone: (312) 566-0040 Fax: (312) 566-0041 Pub: 2/22, 3/1, 8/2019 6152010

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TO: Prairie Park at Wheeling Condominium Association; Fifth Third Mortgage Company, Taxpayer of 40 Prairie Park Dr. Wheeling, IL 60090; Yun Fu Bai; Changyu Cao; Subramanian Ramamathan; Murali Suja; Occupant, 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 602, Wheeling, IL 60090; Buffalo Grove, Cook County, Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Fifth Third Bank; User of Parking Space P2-62, 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 602, Wheeling, IL; User of Parking Space P2-62, 100 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 602, Wheeling, IL; Wheeler Financial, Inc. Fifth Third Mortgage Company, Taxpayer of 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit P2-62, Wheeling, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2018COTD008448. FILED: 12/14/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0005885. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit P2-62, Wheeling, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-02-100-074-1270 (n/k/a 03-02-100-082-1270). This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6144015

TO: Inverray West Phase II Condominium Association; Alejandro Becerra-Castro; Luis Torres; Alejandra Ocampo; Araceli Barrera Tello; Occupant, 1229 INVERRARY LN., UNIT 24A, PALATINE, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000147. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0003070. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 1229 INVERRARY LN., UNIT 24A, PALATINE, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 02-01-400-102-1009. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. TLBL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146115

TO: The Countryhomes of Hamilton Creek Condominium Association; Capital One Bank (USA) N.A.; David N Jostock; Catherine Hines; Occupant, 217 Hamilton Drive, Palatine, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2018COTD008448. FILED: 12/14/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0003092. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 217 Hamilton Drive, Palatine, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 02-10-06-033-1085. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6143948

TO: Prairie Park at Wheeling Condominium Association; Occupant, 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 2-712, Wheeling, IL; Hamano Properties, LLC; Mickey Hamano; Occupant, 100 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 2-712, Wheeling, IL; User of parking Space P-2-29, 100 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 2-712, Wheeling, IL; Buffalo Grove, Cook County, Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Fifth Third Bank; User of Parking Space P-2-29, 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit 2-712, Wheeling, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2018COTD008448. FILED: 12/14/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0005884. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 40 Prairie Park Dr., Unit P2-29, Wheeling, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-02-100-074-1237 (n/k/a 03-02-100-082-1237). This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6144005

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TO: Sherry Preusker, Trustee or her Successors in Trust under the Sherry M. Preusker Revocable Living Trust dated 6/07/2004; Dennis Preusker, Jr.; Michelle Preusker Williams; Sherry Preusker; Craig Preusker; Trifany Preusker; Occupant, 545 Estate Dr., Buffalo Grove, Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000432. FILED: 2/1/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0005927. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 545 Estate Dr., Buffalo Grove, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-05-312-016-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 6/5/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 6/5/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 6/5/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATFC II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6148675

TO: Lien Unit, Illinois Department of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General; Illinois Department of Revenue; Illinois Dept. of Employment Security; Zbigniew Grzych dba Mike's 3R & Company; Elizabeth Grzych; Carol Grzych; Margaret Grzych; Occupant, 1601 N. Larch Dr., Mount Prospect, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000147. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0006013. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 1601 N. Larch Dr., Mount Prospect, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-24-310-005-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. USA BANK TOWERBUD VI, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146564

TO: CitiMortgage, Inc; Steven Goldman; Florence Goldman Revocable Trust; Unknown Heirs & Legatees of Florence Goldman; Diane Goldman; Jurga Wilson; Melissa Burbach; Village of Glenview; Steven Goldman, as possible successor trustee of the Florence Goldman Revocable Trust; Occupant, 624 HUBER LN., GLENVIEW, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000229. FILED: 1/17/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/3/2016. Certificate No. 14-0002860. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 624 HUBER LN., GLENVIEW, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 03-24-312-034-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia Creek Funding I, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6148474

TO: Steven Goldman; Steven J. Goldman, as Trustee u/t/a dated 10/16/02 and known as the Steven J. Goldman Revocable Trust; Steven J. Goldman; Paula Lieberman; Kwang C. Park; Occupant, 435 Ridge Rd., Unit 108, Wilmette, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000158. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0004315. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 435 Ridge Rd., Unit 108, Wilmette, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 05-33-117-120-1008. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. TLBL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146123

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TO: Shiglya (USA) Ltd.; Occupant, 651 E. STATE PKY., SCHAUMBURG, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD0000314. FILED: 1/22/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/16/2016. Certificate No. 14-0004292. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014 (2013 Back Tax). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 651 E. STATE PKY., SCHAUMBURG, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 07-11-301-029-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 6/5/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 6/5/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 6/5/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia Creek Funding II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6148433

TO: Marko Bogdanovic; Nikola Jankovic; Lazaro Rivera; Syed Haider; Highland Crossing Condominium Association; Occupant, 675 Heritage Drive Unit 7-205, Hoffman Estates, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2018COTD008451. FILED: 12/14/2018. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0004309. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 675 Heritage Drive Unit 7-205, Hoffman Estates, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 07-16-200-056-0011. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6144040

TO: BMO Harris Bank, N.A.; James Campbell; Michelle Campbell; Nirav Kapadia; Occupant, 635 LAKEVIEW LN., HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000158. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0004315. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 635 LAKEVIEW LN., HOFFMAN ESTATES, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 07-16-200-056-0011. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 6/5/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 6/5/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 6/5/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. TLBL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146128

TO: Cross Creek Consolidated Condominium Association; Beverly Pelc; Cross Creek Consolidated Condominium Association; Occupant, 646 Cross Creek Dr, W. Apt. B1, ROSELLE, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD000157. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/6/2016. Certificate No. 14-0004385. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 646 Cross Creek Dr, W. Apt. B1, ROSELLE, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 07-35-400-49-1197. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 6/5/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 6/5/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 6/14/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 6/5/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. TLBL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6146123

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TO: U. S. Attorney General; Rupal B. Shah; Parag Hasmulkh Shah; IRS; Dong Shah; Lakshmi Sudhagata; Rashmi Shah; U.S. Attorney, Northern Dist. of IL; Sudha B. Shah; Bhupen Shah; Sudha B. Shah as Trustee of B. Sudha B. Shah Trust; Trust Dated: 9/21/1991; Rupal B. Shah; EDVA; Cook County SKOKIE, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD0000305. FILED: 1/22/2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 6/7/2016. Certificate No. 14-0009196. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 9588 KEDVALE AVE., SKOKIE, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 10-10-407-018-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 5/31/2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 5/31/2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m., on 7/12/2019. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 5/31/2019 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATFC II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 2/13/2019. Pub: 2/21, 22, 23/2019 6148405

TO: United States Attorney General; IRS; Soula Fanady; Anthony Fanady; Steve Fanady; ATG Trust Company as Trustee u/t/a dated 4/21/2011 and known as Trust No. L011-073; Village of Skokie; US Attorney, ND of IL; Illinois Attorney General; Illinois Dept of Revenue; Illinois Dept. of Employment Security; SKOKIE, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy















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TO: Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee u/a dated 5/04/2016 and known as Trust No. 8002371228; Geraldine Cridner; Ernest J Hanson; Chicago Title Trust; City of Chicago; Brenda McMorris; Elizabeth Miller aka Harrison City of Chicago Dept. of Water; Occupant, 11319 S. PRINCETON AVE., CHICAGO, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000184. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

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TO: The Allstar Quick Mart, Inc; Sean Usher; Shawn Battle; City of Chicago; Dion Lewis; Sabrina Jones; Eric Madison; Jason Allen; Occupant, 319 W. 115th St., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000184. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

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TO: REL Financial, LLC; Jonakio A. Williams; Unknown Heirs & Legatees of Katherine Williams; Rita Williams; Meldan E. Williams; Raymond Williams; Regina Williams; Katherine Williams; Daniel Williams; Occupant, 12019 S. Peery Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000129. FILED: 1/11/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

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TO: Eric Sloss; Jeanetta Petty; Terrence Newell; City of Chicago; John Lynch; Tiffany Watkins; Occupant, 1207 W. 123rd St., Calumet, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000089. FILED: 1/10/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

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TO: Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee u/a dated 12/08/2008 and known as Trust No. 800252214; James Patton; James Patton; First Secure Community Bank; Derrick Collins; Jeremiah Beck; Occupant Adams; Gabriel Hayes; Thacia McDuffy; Ricki Blair; Keyan Reed; Jasmine Burns; Jimi Morgan; Michelle Ashy; City of Chicago; Occupant, 8708 S. Saginaw Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000493. FILED: 12/15/2018. TAKE NOTICE...

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TO: U. S. Attorney General; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC; CACH, LLC; Milvan Grbacav; Jagoda Grbacav; Brandon Janowski; Mary Janowski; IRS; Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee u/a dated 12/02/2011 and known as Trust No. 8002363336; U.S. Attorney; Northern Dist. of IL; Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Illinois Attorney General; Marina Kolak; Midland Funding, LLC; Asset Acceptance, LLC; CTC/TC 008002363336; Occupant, 9631 S. Manistee Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD008470. FILED: 12/15/2018. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Jacqueline Madison; City of Chicago; Occupant, 243 W. 113TH ST., CHICAGO, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000182. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Midland Funding, LLC; U.S. Bank N.A., as Trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Home Equity Asset Trust 2007-3 Home Equity Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-3; City of Chicago; Panishe Johnson; Occupant, 11222 S. Vernon, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000113. FILED: 1/11/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Tamlia Jarrett; Reginald Rump; Tiffany Jarrett; University Village Apartments, LLC; City of Chicago; Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services; Illinois Attorney General; Tene Cummings; Rosemary Jarrett; City of Chicago Water Dept.; Occupant, 12019 S. Peery Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000485. FILED: 2/1/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Rosa Carbajal; Jose Trinidad S. Carbajal; Enoc Carbajal; Maria Del Carmen Mercado; Eric Carbajal; Octavio Carbajal; Gustavo Carbajal; Magdalena Carbajal; First Midwest Bank; Illinois Attorney General; CityMortgage, Inc; Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Occupant, 2259 CANAL ST., BLUE ISLAND, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000153. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Odell Barnes LLC; City of Chicago; Occupant, 8744 S. SAGINAW AVE., Unit 1, Unit 2, & Unit 3, CHICAGO, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 14-0008624. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2014. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 8744 S. SAGINAW AVE., CHICAGO, IL. Legal Description or Property Index No. 26-06-104-037-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 6/5/2019.

TO: Mario Tomincasa; Barbara Iliovich; Barbara Tomincasa; Occupant, 11055 S. Avenue B, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000129. FILED: 1/20/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: National Association for Debt Education & Assistance; Wheeler Financial, Inc.; Occupant, 11834 S. WALLACE ST., CHICAGO, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000244. FILED: 1/11/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Front Street Holdings, L.L.C.; Current Owner, 11740 S. Front Ave., Chicago, IL; Maksi Grande Design, LLC; Occupant, 11740 S. Front Ave. a/k/a/ 11810 S. Calumet Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000491. FILED: 2/5/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Arrow Financial Services, LLC; Capital One Bank (USA) N.A.; Catalyst Interventions, LLC; Unknown Heirs & Legatees of Lucille Shepard; Anthony Patterson; City of Chicago; Citibank, N.A.; City of Chicago Dept of Water; Carolyn Patterson; William Harrison; Dionte Patterson; Thanae Smith; Cavany Portfolio Services, LLC; Nicole Adams; U.S. Bank N.A.; Occupant, 41 E. 125th Pl., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000461. FILED: 2/1/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Ancel Holdings, LLC; Colonial Impact Fund I; Delores M. Gardner; Corina Deates; Occupant, 2122 BROADWAY AVE., BLUE ISLAND, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD000154. FILED: 1/14/2019. TAKE NOTICE...

TO: Wilmington Trust Company as Successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the C-Bass Mortgage Loan-Asset-Backed Certificate Trust, Series 2012-1, 2012-2, 2012-3, 2012-4, 2012-5, 2012-6, 2012-7, 2012-8, 2012-9, 2012-10, 2012-11, 2012-12, 2013-1, 2013-2, 2013-3, 2013-4, 2013-5, 2013-6, 2013-7, 2013-8, 2013-9, 2013-10, 2013-11, 2013-12, 2014-1, 2014-2, 2014-3, 2014-4, 2014-5, 2014-6, 2014-7, 2014-8, 2014-9, 2014-10, 2014-11, 2014-12, 2015-1, 2015-2, 2015-3, 2015-4, 2015-5, 2015-6, 2015-7, 2015-8, 2015-9, 2015-10, 2015-11, 2015-12, 2016-1, 2016-2, 2016-3, 2016-4, 2016-5, 2016-6, 2016-7, 2016-8, 2016-9, 2016-10, 2016-11, 2016-12, 2017-1, 2017-2, 2017-3, 2017-4, 2017-5, 2017-6, 2017-7, 2017-8, 2017-9, 2017-10, 2017-11, 2017-12, 2018-1, 2018-2, 2018-3, 2018-4, 2018-5, 2018-6, 2018-7, 2018-8, 2018-9, 2018-10, 2018-11, 2018-12, 2019-1, 2019-2, 2019-3, 2019-4, 2019-5, 2019-6, 2019-7, 2019-8, 2019-9, 2019-10, 2019-11, 2019-12, 2020-1, 2020-2, 2020-3, 2020-4, 2020-5, 2020-6, 2020-7, 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### ACROSS

- 1 Obey
- 5 Exhibit
- 9 Not at all ruddy
- 13 Wear away
- 15 Juicy fruit
- 16 "Queen for \_\_\_" of old TV
- 17 Immigrates
- 18 Weave together
- 20 \_\_\_ rampage; rushing wildly about
- 21 Corolla or Civic
- 23 \_\_\_ up; joined forces
- 24 Weight revealer
- 26 Popular pet
- 27 Summarizes
- 29 Tears to bits
- 32 Came up
- 33 Tribal pole
- 35 Corncob
- 37 Flying insect
- 38 \_\_\_ up; accumulated
- 39 Primary color
- 40 Greek letter
- 41 Wool bearer
- 42 Bit of a jigsaw puzzle
- 43 Spring celebration
- 45 Came in second
- 46 Split \_\_\_ soup

### DOWN

- 1 Short note
- 2 Magnet material
- 3 Canadian province
- 4 Ike's monogram
- 5 Steeple
- 6 Female bird
- 7 Cereal grain
- 8 Miserable
- 9 Roof of the mouth
- 10 Actor Sandler
- 11 Mantilla fabric
- 12 Open-\_\_\_; watchful
- 14 Flee
- 19 Provide with fresh weapons

### Solutions

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- 22 Gore & his dad
- 25 Money
- 27 Skateboarder's incline
- 28 Uneven
- 29 Staircase piece
- 30 Tasty
- 31 Spaghetti topper
- 33 Bleachers level
- 34 Bullring cheer
- 36 Woodwind instrument
- 38 Game bird
- 39 Unfair slant
- 41 Iron alloy
- 42 Adders' signs
- 44 Soccer & softball
- 45 Group of whales
- 47 Seymour & Pauley
- 48 Neutral color
- 49 Buddy
- 50 \_\_\_ crush on; is smitten with
- 53 Deceased
- 54 Likelihood
- 56 Part of a sock
- 57 As hairy as an \_\_\_
- 59 Saloon