



ELECTION 2019

Lightfoot, Preckwinkle head to historic runoff



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Lori Lightfoot, left, and Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle separately address supporters Tuesday as they celebrate making the April runoff to decide Chicago's next mayor.

Election cuts field, leaving unprecedented choice for Chicago mayor

BY BILL RUTHHART
 Chicago Tribune

Chicago will elect its first African-American female mayor after former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot and Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle won enough votes Tuesday amid a record field of 14 candidates to move on to an April runoff election.

With votes scarcer than expected and polls showing a half-dozen or more candidates within striking dis-

tance, the goal was to break into the top two and qualify for the April 2 runoff election. That is the result if no candidate collects more than 50 percent of the vote the first time around.

Unofficial results showed Lightfoot with 17.5 percent of the vote, Preckwinkle with 16 percent and Daley with 14.8 percent, with 95 percent of precincts counted. They were trailed by businessman Willie Wilson with 10 percent, state Comptroller Susana Men-

doza with 9 percent, activist and policy consultant Amara Enyia with 8 percent, Southwest Side attorney Jerry Joyce with 7 percent and former CPS board President Gery Chico with 6 percent.

The remaining six candidates, former CPS CEO Paul Vallas, former police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, state Rep. La Shawn Ford, former Ald. Bob Fioretti, tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin and attorney John Kozlar, each had col-

lected less than 6 percent.

By late Tuesday night, Lightfoot and Preckwinkle declared they had made the runoff while Daley conceded defeat. Neither of the two winners spoke directly about the historic nature of two African-American women making the runoff, but Preckwinkle hinted at it.

"We may not yet be at the finish line, but we should acknowledge that history is being made," Preckwinkle told supporters in the rau-

cous ballroom of a Hyde Park hotel. "It's clear we're at a defining moment in our city's history, but the challenges that our city faces are not simply ideological. It's not enough to say Chicago stands at a crossroads. We need to fight to change its course."

Lightfoot spoke first, before it was clear whether she'd face Daley or Preckwinkle in the runoff. She took the stage at a River

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MORE COVERAGE

Voter turnout among lowest in a city election

About 34 percent of registered voters cast ballots as of 7 p.m. Tuesday, sparking speculation voters wanted the field to clear before choosing their favorite in the runoff. **Page 7**

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Burke pushes aside challengers

Undeterred by corruption charges, he takes big lead

BY GREGORY PRATT AND JEFF COEN
 Chicago Tribune

Federal corruption charges against powerful Chicago Ald. Edward Burke rattled every corner of City Hall like a thunderclap when they were announced last month, but as the votes were counted in Tuesday's municipal election, it did not appear it would be enough to knock the defiant Burke from a seat he has held for five decades.

The city's longest-serving alderman appeared to throw off the shadow of the charges and was pushing aside two upstart challengers late Tuesday, seeming to make good on a pledge to stay in the race and remain on the City Council despite the allegations against him.



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Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, takes questions from reporters as he leaves his office on Tuesday night. He is the city's longest-serving alderman, holding his seat for five decades.

With more than 87 percent of the vote counted in his 14th Ward on the Southwest Side, Burke had more than 55 percent of the ballots cast.

Burke was topping op-

ponents Tanya Patino, a civil engineer who had the endorsement of U.S. Rep. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia in a ward that is now majority Hispanic, and lawyer Jaime Guzman. Patino,

who had about 28 percent of the vote, and Guzman, who had about 16 percent, had hammered Burke on the charges at campaign

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Teary Ald. Tunney claims win in fight with Ricketts clan

Wrigleyville alderman leads as longtime pols fall

BY JOHN BYRNE AND HAL DARDICK
 Chicago Tribune

A teary Ald. Tom Tunney claimed victory in his Wrigleyville battle against Cubs owners the Ricketts family, but at least three of his veteran City Council colleagues appeared headed for defeat Tuesday night.

Northwest Side Ald. Proco "Joe" Moreno, 1st, and Far North Side Ald. Joe Moore, 49th, each trailed their challengers by at least 20 percentage points, while Northwest Side Ald. John Arena conceded defeat.

At least 10 other alder-

men seemed headed for April 2 head-to-head runoff elections because they couldn't garner more than 50 percent of the vote in the first round, including long-serving 40th Ward Ald. Pat O'Connor, indicating the City Council could see a significant turnover as a new mayor takes over for Rahm Emanuel in May.

With 88 percent of precincts reporting, Tunney had 63 percent of the vote against two challengers, well ahead of the 50-percent-plus-one benchmark he needed to avoid an April runoff.

Fighting back tears, Tunney told supporters that he has sought to make sure the neighborhood is "successful with Wrigley

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Family loses 'old soul' as teen killed

Emanuel Gallegos, 17, described as the "old soul" of his family, was shot and killed while riding in a car on Monday. **Chicagoland**, Page 4



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Darvish starts over in 2nd year with Cubs

The pitcher is back in camp with a chance to make amends. He can't erase the past, but if he pitches well, he'll earn back Cubs fans' trust. **Chicago Sports**

Trump, Kim begin summit in Vietnam

As the world watches, questions swirl about what the president will demand and Pyongyang might be willing to give up. **Nation & World**, Page 9

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President Donald Trump's former personal lawyer is expected to claim lying, racism and cheating by the president. **Nation & World**, Page 13



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JOHN SPRINGER COLLECTION

In "The Great McGinty," Mayor Dan McGinty, played by Brian Donlevy, chokes an unamused Boss, played by Akim Tamiroff.



JOHN KASS

Movies for a long Chicago election night

If there is one film that I'd offer up for a Chicago election night movie watch party, it would be "The Great McGinty."

It is a story of a bum fished out of a West Side gutter by the Chicago Democratic machine. And it has a Chicago ending, in a bar in South America.

And given that Chicago election officials were warning that with 14 candidates running for mayor, it might take some time to sort things out after Tuesday's vote, a Chicago Political Movie Marathon might be just the right thing.

Not just any movie. A Chicago movie, not a film simply set in Chicago, but a film with the heart of the city by the lake, with politics, yes, graft, yes, but also a film of common decency.

"Never mind the applesauce," says tough-guy actor Brian Donlevy as McGinty. "How do I get the bucks?" You know how to get the bucks, McGinty. Shut up and vote.

I admit it's not a new movie. It was made long before even I was born, by cracky. It's in black and white. There aren't any female breasts or explosions to witness in the first 30 seconds, and no product placement.

But it does capture the Chicago Way.

"It is so funny you mention the film today, John," said another fan of the film, University of Chicago Professor Emeritus Charles Lipson, on Facebook. "I voted at mid-day and, after they put my ballot in the counting machine, I asked where my second and third ballot should go. The whole polling place broke into laughter."

What made movies on election night especially attractive to me, personally, is that print deadlines come early and, as of this writing, I don't know which two mayoral candidates made the April runoff.

Also, Tuesday night marked yet another year in which TV news executives decided, in their wisdom, not to invite me on the air to talk politics. These TV news executives are wise indeed, as I've got a face for radio and a body for print, and I just might say

something to make somebody feel uncomfortable.

So, I didn't worry about how many precincts were reporting or whether I was having a good hair night.

Instead, I listed some of my favorite Chicago political movies.

"The Great McGinty" certainly, but others too.

One is "Widows," the 2018 film by director Steve McQueen. It also says Chicago politics to me.

That's because it is set in Chicago and is a heist picture about Chicago politics and betrayal, with a pink political family trying to hold onto power, and a brown crime family trying to become political and legit.

And I just loved Colin Farrell as Billy Daley with hair and Robert Duvall as Ald. Ed Burke. At least, that's how my jaded Chicago eyes saw it.

Also, "Thief," with James Caan and Tuesday Weld, just screams Chicago politics. Not overtly, but the cops are played by real-life Chicago wiseguys and the wiseguys are played by cops. And Tuesday Weld is simply fantastic as always.

Naturally, any Chicago Election Night Movie Marathon had to include "Idiocracy."

Because any city that does the same thing to itself over and over again, decade after decade after decade after decade, deserves a movie with a title like that.

"I'm watching '300,'" said mayoral candidate Paul Vallas, referring to the story of the heroic Spartans who faced overwhelming odds at Thermopylae. "I'm going to watch it with my sons and family."

Indeed, "300" is a great movie to be sure, one of my all-time favorite Valentine's Day date films, right after "Manchester by the Sea" and "Gladiator."

But "300," even with that betrayal by the despicable Ephialtes, and Xerxes' great horde coming down upon the Spartans, doesn't say Chicago politics to me.

Almost, but not quite.

And I'd have to vote, again and again, for "The Great McGinty."

Upon McGinty leaving the gutter

and voting repeatedly on West Van Buren, the Boss buys him a new suit. He attains a modicum of polish, and rises through the ranks, the Chicago Way.

He becomes alderman. Then mayor. Then governor.

It's all so perfect. And if you don't think it's possible, then you really don't know Chicago at all, do you?

"The story is told as a retrospective from an offshore bar," says professor Lipson. "Written and directed in 1940 by the screwball-comedy genius, Preston Sturges. Screen credit to Danny Solis and Edward Burke."

I don't want to spoil things, but McGinty ends up polishing a glass in South America, telling his story of woe to a soft-faced American embezzler on the run and a hard-faced dancing girl on the make.

This is one of the first of many films written and directed by Preston Sturges. "The Great McGinty" won an Academy Award in 1941 for best original screenplay.

Sturges, the famous writer-director, was born in Chicago.

Only a man born in Chicago could have written this.

He wrote many fine films, including another of my favorites, "Sullivan's Travels," about a director who stupidly convinces himself he must make great art, rather than make people laugh.

And in "The Great McGinty," there is this priceless quote by William Demarest, who went on to play Uncle Charlie on TV's "My Three Sons" when I was a boy. In "The Great McGinty" he plays Skeeters, a political fixer, who defended Chicago graft:

"They forget if it weren't for graft, you'd get a very low type of people in politics. Men with no ambition."

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Never mind 'Green Book.' Listen to Don Shirley.



MARY SCHMICH

Let's look on the bright side of "Green Book." It has revived Don Shirley's music.

Like a lot of people, I wasn't crazy about the movie, a buddy pic with a racial twist and a smiley face. In it, a white, racist nightclub bouncer from the American North is hired to drive a black classical pianist through the American South on a 1962 performance tour, using the guidebook that let black motorists know where they were allowed to eat and stay.

Along the movie's scenic high-ways and byways, the two men bond. The tough-talking white chauffeur helps the effete black musician mellow out, protects him from bad white guys and in the process sheds his own bigotry.

When the two motor back to New York City — spoiler alert — the chauffeur's previously racist relatives greet the previously unwelcome black man with open arms.

Abacadabra and kumbaya. On Sunday night, this cartoonish version of race and friendship won the Oscar for Best Picture, provoking a collective howl from people who hated it. I didn't quite hate it, and I know people, a couple of them black, who liked it a lot. It's visually pleasing, well-acted and its vision of an America in which we all learn to get along is no doubt well-intentioned.

But such a complex topic isn't served by such a simplistic telling, and the cheery, caricatured "Green Book" version of our history seems off-key in 2019.

Forget all that for a moment. Let's focus on the music.

Shirley's music has been largely left out of the "Green Book" discussion, which is a shame. Reintroducing the music may be the movie's greatest achievement.

Like most people, I didn't know Shirley's playing until recently, but having found it, I'm mesmerized. I heard it first on the radio, before I'd seen the movie. I was driving when I tuned in mid-song to some piano playing that felt slightly different from anything I'd ever heard. It was so



Mahershala Ali, right, portrays Don Shirley in "Green Book."



MICHAEL OCHS ARCHIVES CIRCA 1970
Don Shirley grew up a classical music prodigy.

riveting I slowed down to listen.

The station played a couple more songs in the same style — rhythmic and melodic, upbeat yet meditative — before the announcer named the player: Don Shirley.

I went home and found more, and in a column a couple of weeks ago, I briefly recommended the album "Don Shirley's Best." I've been hearing from readers ever since.

"Wow," wrote one, "thank you for the introduction to Don Shirley and his music! I enjoy music, but certainly not an aficionado, so had never heard of this artist. Interestingly, an acquaintance saw the movie 'Green Book' and loved it, but never mentioned Don Shirley."

Another wrote to say that he'd been inspired to turn off the Sunday political TV talk shows and listen to Don Shirley instead.

"I think the calming music and

avoidance of politicians is just what the doctor ordered," he wrote.

When Shirley died in 2013, his New York Times obituary said he "invented what amounted to his own musical genre."

Classical, jazz, pop, show tunes, spirituals. They all find a home in his playing. Some of it might be called "easy listening," though it's not tepid listening.

I'm particularly fond of his versions of "Stand By Me" and "If I Had a Hammer." I've listened to "Water Boy," probably his most popular song, hundreds of times, and every time my blood pressure drops.

In a recent L.A. Times piece, the musician Anthony Weller, a friend of Shirley's, said "he was so relentlessly inward-looking that he found depth everywhere."

Weller also said that race was never far from Shirley's mind. He

quoted from one of Shirley's record jackets:

"It is only in his music, which Americans are able to admire because a protective sentimentality limits their understanding of it, that the Negro in America has been able to tell his story."

Don Shirley's story has many elements. "Green Book" reopened that story to the world, even if its telling was incomplete.

Over the weekend, I saw a friend who needed cheering up so I recommended she find Shirley on Amazon Prime. She texted me a while later:

"Having a Don Shirley fest today! What a pleasure!"

No matter what its failures, "Green Book" gets credit for alerting so many of us to that pleasure.

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Witness says she heard suspect in cop's killing brag of shooting

Woman says defendant seemed 'more than happy' with crime

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

Just hours after allegedly bursting into a West Side convenience store and fatally shooting an off-duty Chicago police officer, Alexander Villa bragged at an after-hours club that he had killed a cop, according to a woman who says she overheard the conversation.

Testifying Tuesday at Villa's trial, Destiny Rodriguez, 29, acknowledged not telling police about Villa's boast until more than a year later, saying her gang boyfriend at the time had threatened her life when she raised the idea of notifying authorities.

Rodriguez said she waited until 2013 to tell a neighborhood beat cop from Franklin Park whom she trusted. By then, her ex-boyfriend had been locked up, she said.

Rodriguez told a Cook County jury weighing Villa's fate Tuesday that she was inches away when she overheard Villa make the boast to her boyfriend in December 2011.

"I turned around when he said he had shot a cop because I was appalled," she said. "... There was a smile and a smirk. He was more than happy with what he did."

Villa is the second of three men to go on trial on charges he killed Officer Clifton Lewis, an eight-year police veteran who was working a second job as a security guard at the store just days after he had become engaged to his longtime girlfriend.

At Lewis' funeral, then-police Superintendent Garry McCarthy called the slain officer a "gentle giant" and a calming presence in a high-stress job. McCarthy, who is running for Chicago mayor, attended part of the trial on Monday on the eve of the election.

Prosecutors say Villa and co-defendant Tyrone Clay charged into the M & M Quick Foods in the 1200 block of North Austin Boulevard and fatally shot Lewis as he took cover behind the counter and returned fire.

A jury convicted Edgardo Colon in 2017 of murder. Prosecutors said he acted as the getaway driver. Judge Erica Reddick sentenced Colon to 84 years in prison.

Clay and Colon were charged at the same time in 2012, but Villa

wasn't charged until late 2013 under a separate case.

At Villa's trial Tuesday, prosecutors wanted to call Colon as a witness, but outside the jury's presence, Colon told Judge James Linn that he would not cooperate, saying he would assert his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.

Prosecutors then obtained a grant of immunity from prosecution for him — meaning anything he said on the witness stand could not be used against him in a criminal proceeding.

"You are required to answer questions," Linn told Colon. "Are you going to answer the questions?"

"No, your honor," said Colon, wearing a black-and-white state prison uniform on the stand.

Linn found Colon in contempt of court and warned he could face a sentence of six to 30 years in prison — on top of the decades he is already serving for murder. The judge gave Colon another day to reconsider his decision.

Prosecutors had also contemplated calling to the stand Clay, who spoke to police after his arrest. But earlier this month, Reddick ruled that the statements couldn't be used against

Clay, saying he did not knowingly waive his constitutional rights beforehand.

Also Tuesday, Richie Driver testified he stopped in the store the night of the shooting to buy soda and a lottery ticket for his mother.

He was just halfway through the door, he said, when two masked men who proceeded through the front door in front of him both brandished guns.

"The first gentleman ... he pulls up this Uzi, starts just knocking stuff over on the front counter," he said. "He's trying to hop over this counter, and I'm still looking at everything like this (has) got to be a joke."

That gunman — identified as Villa by prosecutors — was trying to jump over the counter, Driver said. The other gunman approached employees with a handgun and demanded money, he said.

Driver scrambled out of the store in shock, then heard four to six gunshots, he said.

Jurors have also viewed security footage of the gunmen and police photos of a crime scene strewn with spent shell casings.

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Joseph Kucharski of Naperville was charged with reckless homicide and aggravated DUI.

Prosecutors: Driver high on crack in fatal crash

Naperville man accused of driving into high school girl, killing her

BY CLIFFORD WARD
Naperville Sun

The Naperville man charged with DUI and reckless homicide after driving into a high school student and ultimately killing her uttered a low "Oh my God" as video of the incident was played during a Tuesday bond court hearing.

Joseph Kucharski, 51, was ordered held in lieu of \$750,000 bail by DuPage County Judge Liam Brennan. After listening to a prosecutor offer details in the death of Elizabeth Dunlap, the judge called the fact pattern "horrific" but said the \$5 million bail request made by prosecutors was too high to pass constitutional muster.

Authorities say Kucharski was under the influence of crack cocaine and had alcohol in his system when he hit Dunlap, 17, about 10:55 a.m. Feb. 19 as she crossed the street in front of Downers Grove North High School, where she was a junior. Kucharski was driving in the wrong lane and ran a red light when he hit Dunlap, who was in the crosswalk at Main and Grant streets.

The impact projected Dunlap across the intersection. Her backpack ended up lodged in the front bumper of Kucharski's car, Assistant State's Attorney Kristin Johnston said.

Kucharski is charged with aggravated driving under the influence and reckless homicide. The DUI charge, the most serious felony Kucharski faces, carries a maximum prison term of 14 years.

In her request for bond, Johnston said Kucharski had been using crack cocaine the four previous days before the incident and had been living in a series of hotel rooms. The real estate agent and father of two teenage daughters was recently divorced from his wife, who told authorities that Kucharski's drug use caused the dissolution of their marriage, Johnston said.

After striking the girl, Kucharski did stop, but in the immediate aftermath apparently regretted his decision; Johnston said he told police in initial interviews that he was being treated like a criminal. He told police, "I should have kept going because I never would have been caught," Johnston told the judge.

He later told police he had fallen asleep in the moments before he struck Dunlap.

Police searched a hotel room where Kucharski had been staying and found two crack pipes and crack cocaine, along with a half-empty bottle of vodka, Johnston said. Other evidence indicated that Kucharski had driven to Chicago the day before the accident to buy crack, she said.

Dunlap, who played on the Downers Grove North volleyball team, underwent surgery but was removed from life support Friday after being declared brain dead.

Kucharski's defense attorney Jay Fuller argued for a \$500,000 bail, saying Kucharski had strong ties to the community. If he can post bond, Kucharski wants to be admitted to a substance rehabilitation center, the attorney said.

But prosecutors said Kucharski had been considering moving to Arizona and should be considered a flight risk.

State's Attorney Robert Berlin issued a statement Tuesday offering condolences to Dunlap's family and friends. Kucharski's next court appearance is scheduled for March 15. The judge ordered that if he is able to post \$75,000 cash bond, Kucharski is prohibited from driving a car or leaving Illinois and he must surrender his passport. He must also wear a patch that indicates whether he is using drugs.

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Rosa Silva, left, the mother of Emanuel Gallegos, weeps as she recalls her son's life and death while being comforted by her sister, Maria Silva.

Family loses its 'old soul' as teen slain: 'They have destroyed' us

Northside College Prep junior gunned down in car in Old Irving Park

BY WILLIAM LEE
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Chicago Tribune

At 17, Emanuel Gallegos was the "old soul" of his family.

"He was different from us," his older brother Esteban said. "He liked good music. Like old-school classics, like Johnny Cash, stuff that no teenager would listen to."

The Northside College Prep junior also was smart.

"Let me put it this way," Esteban said of his little brother, who was seven years younger. "My math homework, he would help me out with."

Monday evening, the brothers' father called Esteban and asked him to call Emanuel because the younger son wasn't returning his calls.

"He always answers my call or shoots me a text saying, 'What's going on?'" Esteban Gallegos said.

But hours passed before the family was finally told that Emanuel had been shot and killed while riding in a car about 2½ miles from his home.

Police say a gunman standing on the street with three other people fired at a car carrying Gallegos just after 5:30 p.m. in the 4400 block of West Addison



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Chicago police examine a car involved in a shooting on Monday in the Old Irving Park neighborhood.

Street. Gallegos, sitting in the front passenger seat, was hit in the neck and pronounced dead about an hour later at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center.

Moments before the attack, the gunman and the others had approached someone waiting for a ride from Gallegos and his cousin, police said. The group asked what gang the pedestrian belonged to, and he said none and walked away, then got into the car.

The cousin made a U-turn and passed the group, and someone on the street pulled a gun and shot at the car, police said. Officers recovered six 40-caliber shell casings from the scene.

One of the people with the gunman was located and is cooperating with police, sources said. Detectives also were reviewing surveillance video that caught the shooting. The shooter was described as 17 or 18, wearing dark clothes and a white backpack.

Emanuel Gallegos "had no problems with anyone. Why would they have taken his life without even knowing him?" Emanuel's mother, Rosa Silva, asked as relatives stopped by the home in Belmont Cragin. "They have destroyed our family, totally destroyed."

"My son was very happy, very smart, liked computers," she said.



Gallegos

"All his teachers were happy with him, he had many friends, he had a great character."

Esteban Gallegos told the story of working on a construction job at Argonne National Laboratory and thinking there might be something there for his brother — not as a carpenter, like Esteban, but as a researcher at one of the country's premier science labs.

"He had a bright future ahead of him," Esteban said. "He already went to the smartest school in Chicago."

Emanuel Gallegos was a 6-foot-5 junior at Northside College Prep and excelled at soccer, his family said. "He had the biggest heart," his brother said.

Both sides of Gallegos' family have ties to a small village in northern Mexico called Cienega de Escobar, a community of mostly homes along a ridge of hills. Tuesday morning, the village posted a Facebook message mourning Emanuel's death.

"There are no words that we can say," begins the post, accompanied by photos of Gallegos. "An irreparable and meaningless loss."

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Reputed mob figure pleads guilty to embezzlement scheme

BY JASON MEISNER
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A reputed Chicago mob figure and longtime union boss pleaded guilty Tuesday to a federal felony charge of embezzlement in an alleged scheme to fraudulently qualify for early retirement benefits.

John Matassa Jr., 67, known by the nickname "Pudgy," faces up to about 21 months in prison after entering his plea on the lone count before U.S. District Judge Matthew Kennelly, according to a plea agreement with prosecutors.

Matassa, the former secretary-treasurer of the Independent Union of Amalgamated Workers Local 711, was charged in a 10-count indictment in 2017 with putting his wife on the union's payroll in a do-nothing job while lowering his own salary.

He then applied for early retirement benefits from the Social Security Administration's Old-Age Insurance program, listing his reduced salary to qualify for those benefits, the indictment alleged.

The charges also alleged

that Matassa personally signed his wife's paychecks from the union over a four-year period and had them deposited into the couple's bank account.

According to Matassa's 18-page plea agreement, preliminary sentencing calculations call for him to be given 15 to 21 months in prison, but Kennelly will make the final decision. Matassa must also pay a total of \$66,500 in restitution to the union and Social Security Administration,

according to the agreement. Kennelly set sentencing for May 22.

Dressed in a purple checkered shirt, the husky Matassa, of Arlington Heights, leaned against a lectern and answered, "Yes, your honor" in a deep voice as Kennelly asked him if he understood the terms of his plea deal. About halfway through the 40-minute hearing, Matassa accepted the judge's offer and took a seat.

For years, Matassa has

been associated with some of the Outfit's most notorious figures, including former reputed boss James "Jimmy Light" Marcello.

In the late 1990s, Matassa was kicked out as president of the Laborers Union Chicago local over his alleged extensive ties to organized crime — a move Matassa fought for years.

"The guy's hanging on to the carpet like a cat," one union member told the Tribune at the time. "He's just not cooperating at all. I

just can't wait until he's gone."

Matassa's name also surfaced during the 2009 trial of a deputy U.S. marshal who was convicted of leaking sensitive information to a family friend with alleged mob ties, knowing the details would end up in the Outfit's hands. Matassa allegedly acted as a go-between.

The leak involved the then-secret cooperation of Outfit turncoat Nicholas Calabrese, whose testimony

led to the convictions of numerous mob figures — including Marcello — in the landmark Operation Family Secrets investigation.

Calabrese testified at the Family Secrets trial that Matassa was present in October 1983 when Calabrese was indoctrinated as a "made" member of the mob at a ceremony at a shuttered restaurant on Mannheim Road.

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Driver, 82, charged with DUI after bus crash

BY HANNAH LEONE
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An 82-year-old church bus driver has been charged with driving while intoxicated after he veered off the Indiana Toll Road in Gary while returning from a Chicago Bulls game, injuring four children and a man who were on the bus, according to the Indiana State Police.

The children, ages 10 to 14, and a 49-year-old man were taken to hospitals with head and neck injuries, state police said. At least 46 passengers had been on board the bus, owned by the Jesus Saves Missionary Baptist Church in Gary.

The accident happened around 10:40 p.m. Monday near the toll road's Cline Avenue exit in Gary, according to Trooper Jathan Rose. The bus left the road and passed over a rocky area between two guard rails separating the main road from the exit, Rose said.

The bus then hit a gravel embankment, and the front tires left the ground, police said. The impact tossed passengers around, and some were thrown from their seats.

The driver, Wilton B. Carr, was taken to a hospital for a "certified test," which he failed, police said. Carr was charged with two felonies: operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, causing bodily injury; and operating while intoxicated with passengers younger than 18. He also faces two misdemeanor counts of operating while intoxicated, police said.

Carr, from Gary, was booked in the Lake County Jail in Crown Point.

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Ceding to reality, concessions come quickly

After polls close, party quickly ends for many in races

By RICK PEARSON
Chicago Tribune

On Election Days, everybody is a winner — until 7 p.m., when the results roll in.

Optimism quickly recedes into reality. Adrenaline-fueled campaigns bow to cold numbers. And in this historic open-seat run for Chicago mayor, the only certainty was that a dozen of the 14 contenders eventually would be shunted into the category of losers.

When Bill Daley entered the race, the biggest question was whether Chicago would have Daley fatigue over a candidate who was a son and brother of the city's two longest-serving mayors.

Daley became the best-funded candidate in the race and blanketed the TV airwaves. He pointed out he had worked as Bill Clinton's commerce secretary and Barack Obama's chief of staff while also trying to make the case he was his own man, not responsible for the failures of his brother, Richard M. Daley, or the past, and that he should not be viewed as a political insider but an outsider.

Ultimately, Daley finished third as voters split wildly across the field of candidates and looked for a new name to run City Hall. He alienated unions by talking of cutting benefits, sending them to his rivals. And he wasn't helped by the candidacy of Jerry Joyce, whose father was a long-time ally of and strategist for Daley's brother.

Throughout the final days of the campaign, rather than talking about a ground game, Daley said he had been fighting a cold.

"Well, if this doesn't go the way I want, I'll be in Mexico or somewhere warm," Daley said. "And then I'll be over this cold real fast."

There would be no continuation of the Daley dynasty this time. For him, the beach awaits.

Gery Chico was the first candidate to concede. It was Chico's second run for mayor, having finished behind



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Bill Daley finished third on Tuesday as voters split across the field of candidates and looked for a new name to run City Hall.

Rahm Emanuel with nearly a quarter of the vote in 2011.

"This campaign fought a great fight every step of the way," Chico said.

Chico had held several major roles in the city under Daley. A partner at the law firm Chico & Nunes, he also developed a successful career representing City Hall clients and was a registered lobbyist before running for mayor.

Chico looked to the city's establishment for financial support. But his argument to counter his insider status, that the city's immense financial problems can't afford a newbie as mayor, didn't win out.

Former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy was next to concede. His campaign for mayor had been eagerly anticipated when the man who fired him after four years as top cop, Emanuel, was still in the race. But the dynamics changed for McCarthy when Emanuel dropped out and was no longer a target for attacks.

McCarthy alluded to how more than a dozen others entered the fray and it got more competitive when Emanuel announced he wouldn't run for a third term. "So we took very careful aim and shot our-

selves right in the foot," he said.

While campaigning to curb Chicago's crime problem, the native New Yorker also faced criticism over heading a department that was embroiled in the 2014 police shooting of Laquan McDonald, a black teen, that later resulted in the murder conviction of Jason Van Dyke, a white policeman. He also opposed a subsequent federal consent decree requiring oversight of the city's Police Department.

Though he had often been in the public spotlight, including facing protesters head-on during the city's 2012 hosting of the NATO summit, the mayor's race was the first bid for public office by McCarthy, who heads his own security consulting firm.

"My golf game is going to get a lot better," McCarthy said Tuesday. Without specifying, he also warned that some of his rivals were "really bad people."

Susana Mendoza also conceded before 9 p.m. The consolation prize for Mendoza is one of timing. She retains the post of state comptroller, her re-election bid taking place in November even as she began plotting her bid for mayor.

The former Democratic state representative and city clerk has continued to look for political opportunities. At age 46, Mendoza still will have the platform of statewide office, though it might become greatly diminished under the state's one-party rule of Democrats led by Gov. J.B. Pritzker.

"This campaign may end tonight, but the fight for Chicago's future does not," she said. "I'm undaunted because the fight goes on."

Candidate Amara Enyia also conceded, thanking her supporters. "We knew that we were not going to rely on the traditional tactics and traditional people to get this done," said Enyia, who counted among backers entertainment superstars Chance the Rapper and Kanye West.

With more than 90 percent of precincts repeating, several other candidates were far out of the running.

Bob Fioretti becomes another repeat mayoral loser. The former alderman, who saw himself redistricted out of his ward, finished fourth in the 2015 mayoral contest. He made a failed bid for the state Senate a year later and last March was unsuccessful in seeking the Cook County Board presidency.

Fioretti was the final can-

didate to join this year's crowded mayoral field. An attorney, he was the beneficiary of a half-million-dollar donation from musician Buddy Guy's company. But once again, Fioretti was faced with singing the election night blues.

John Kozlar, a 30-year-old attorney at Aon, had made two previous unsuccessful runs against the 11th Ward Democratic machine. But the man known largely for rebuilding the Canaryville Little League sought to play in the big leagues this time with a run for mayor. Yet with only about \$1,100 in campaign funds at the start of the year, the only election night question was whether his unsuccessful campaign would get more votes than it did dollars. He ultimately did.

La Shawn Ford was unable to sell himself in a crowded field. A real estate broker and insurance agent, he now returns to a job he's held for more than a decade — and one he didn't try too hard to capitalize on in trying to secure votes for mayor. Since 2007, he's served as a Democratic state representative in Springfield — something he didn't list in his official campaign biography on his

website.

Tech entrepreneur Neal Sales-Griffin was one of the earliest candidates to announce a run for mayor. But the CEO of CodeNow, a national nonprofit that teaches low-income high school students how to do computer coding, learned a valuable lesson early in the campaign — prepare your kickoff speech. He admitted he "bombed" his campaign launch and was never able to recover.

There was a potentially telling moment for Paul Vallas' candidacy on Election Day when the media got a picture of him at the Billy Goat Tavern around lunchtime, having a beverage and sitting by himself.

Vallas, a policy wonk, has always been a bit of a political loner, forging sometimes strange alliances through the years he spent as a top staffer in Springfield and later as CEO of Chicago Public Schools under Mayor Richard M. Daley.

He lost a Democratic gubernatorial primary challenge to Rod Blagojevich in 2002, and he ran as the lieutenant governor candidate with Gov. Pat Quinn on the team that lost to Republican Bruce Rauner in 2014. And despite serving as a Rauner attack dog in that contest, Rauner later appointed Vallas as chief administrative officer at Chicago State University, a job he gave up to run for mayor.

"This has been an incredible journey for me," he said before congratulating Lori Lightfoot, who had been the consistent front-runner on election night.

"I'm delighted to see Lori, who was one of the first to enter the race, that she's in the lead," Vallas said. "That's a very positive thing for the city."

Willie Wilson, the plastic glove entrepreneur who put about \$1.6 million of his money into his second consecutive bid for mayor, stopped short of conceding while roughly matching the 11 percent of the vote he got four years ago.

"It is what it is and politics is what it is today. But there's no reason to be discouraged. We're not willing to call it yet," he told supporters.

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Lightfoot, Preckwinkle head to runoff

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North venue with her arms raised in the air.

"So what do you think of us now?" a smiling Lightfoot asked a raucous crowd at her campaign party. "This, my friends, is what change looks like!"

The 14 candidates vying for the fifth-floor office at City Hall marked the largest field to run for mayor in Chicago's 181-year history. The race to succeed Mayor Rahm Emanuel, who made the surprise announcement after Labor Day that he would not seek a third term, comes at a pivotal time for Chicago and unfolded against the backdrop of an ongoing federal corruption investigation at City Hall.

If Lightfoot were to win the runoff, she'd become the city's first openly gay mayor. Both Lightfoot and Preckwinkle are strong advocates for criminal justice and police reform in an era when Chicago politics have been influenced by the fallout of the Laquan McDonald police shooting and the subsequent federal civil rights investigation into the police department.

But there was little talk of common ground or niceties Tuesday night.

Lightfoot positioned her campaign as the true progressive one against the entrenched Chicago political machine. Preckwinkle, the chair of the Cook County Democratic Party, sold herself as the candidate with a track record in progressive politics who long had been taking on the city's powerful interests.

Preckwinkle, who stayed above the fray for the last six months, wasted no time in attacking Lightfoot, referencing her appointment as

the president of the Police Board under Emanuel and as a deputy procurement officer and head of a police investigative agency under former Mayor Richard M. Daley.

"While my opponent was taking multiple appointments in the Daley and Emanuel administrations, I fought the power elite who have been trying to hold this city back," Preckwinkle said.

Preckwinkle and Daley largely were expected to be in the mix for the top two, and the limited reliable polling that had emerged before Tuesday showed the two at the front of the race. The surprise of the night was Lightfoot.

She thanked supporters for having the "courage to stand with our campaign against the machine," and positioned herself clearly as the reform candidate left in the race who had emerged from "a pack of establishment figures."

"People said that I had some good ideas but couldn't win," said Lightfoot, who grew up in Massillon, Ohio, and moved to Chicago to practice law after graduating from the University of Michigan. "It's true that not every day a little black girl in a low income family from a segregated steel town makes the runoff to be the next mayor of the third largest city in America!"

Daley supporters will chalk up his defeat to the candidacy of Joyce, who won four wards and cut into Daley's traditional support on the Northwest and Southwest sides.

In the city's 18 majority African-American wards, Wilson won 14, though Preckwinkle won the re-

mainder and finished second in those she didn't win. Still, Lightfoot was able to significantly cut into her margins with her showings in those South and West Side wards.

In the six lakefront wards that have traditionally skewed more liberal, Lightfoot won four while Daley captured two. Though ostensibly an area of support for Preckwinkle, she finished second in three of those wards.

Daley captured nine wards, including his home base 11th Ward, while Joyce took five, including his base in the 19th Ward and the 13th Ward home of House Speaker Michael Madigan. Preckwinkle won five wards, all centered on her South Side base in Hyde Park.

Throughout the campaign, many of the candidates vowed to improve policing and drive down crime while pledging to provide relief from a years-long succession of tax increases. But most also did not lay out comprehensive plans on how they'd deal with the city's pension woes and budget shortfall, instead pointing to hopes for a Chicago casino and a share of revenue from legalized marijuana as panaceas.

During the last six months, the mayoral race had been defined by a series of twists and turns, with none more dominating than the federal probe at City Hall, which led all of the candidates to propose a series of ethics reforms.

The campaign began with a dozen people declaring they would challenge Emanuel, some with ties to the mayor. Eight of them would make the final ballot — Lightfoot, McCarthy, Val-

las, Wilson, Enyia, Joyce, Sales-Griffin and Kozlar.

That group's satisfaction with the mayor's departure from the race in September would be short-lived. The candidates had to recalibrate their largely anti-Emanuel campaigns while seeing their efforts to raise campaign cash and get their message out somewhat choked off by four heavyweight establishment candidates who soon would enter the contest. When he

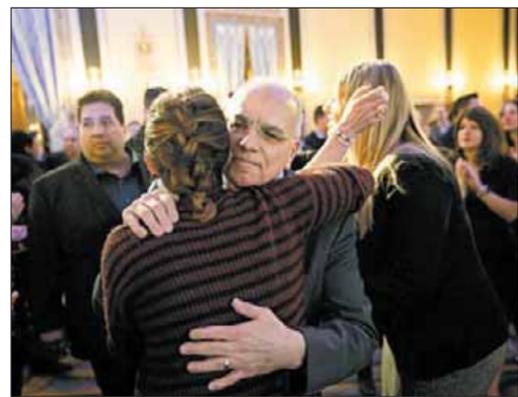
dropped out, Emanuel predicted none of the announced candidates would become the next mayor, saying it took more than a "one-trick pony" to run America's third largest city.

Soon, the other political thoroughbreds entered — Preckwinkle, Daley, Chico and Mendoza. Those four establishment candidates combined to raise \$19.1 million — or more than double the other 10 candidates combined, which also included late entrants Ford and Fioretti.

While the financial advantages separated those four, so, too, did the federal corruption investigation at City Hall.

Chico, Daley, Preckwinkle and Mendoza each had long-standing ties to Ald. Edward Burke that became readily apparent soon after federal agents raided his City Hall and 14th Ward offices in late November, papered over the windows and hauled out boxes of records and computers. The candidates all quickly offered an array of ethics reforms, including creating term limits, banning outside income for aldermen and ending veto power aldermen hold over permits and projects in their ward.

By early January, federal



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Gery Chico, the first mayoral candidate to concede Tuesday night, hugs a supporter at the Palmer House Hilton.

authorities had charged Burke with attempted extortion, alleging he held up permits a restaurant magnate needed in his ward in exchange for property tax appeals business at his law firm and a \$10,000 campaign contribution to another politician. The Tribune reported that the contribution had gone to Preckwinkle, which she said she returned.

A few weeks later, it became clear that the federal probe had not been limited to Burke, as it was revealed that longtime Ald. Danny Solis had worn a wire on colleagues for a couple of years while facing his own allegations of misconduct. The FBI also recorded Madigan seeking business at his law firm from a business owner who needed Solis' approval at City Hall.

While Solis and Madigan have not been charged with wrongdoing, the political damage for the establishment candidates was swift.

Chico was left to "repudiate" his close friend and mentor Burke, who earlier had backed Chico by calling him the most qualified candidate to become mayor.

Mendoza, who was married at Burke's home, also denounced the man who helped get her started in politics on the Southwest Side.

But it was Preckwinkle who bore the brunt of the Burke blowback, tied directly to the scandal by the 50-year alderman's alleged shakedown of a campaign contribution for Preckwinkle.

Preckwinkle also was left to explain why she hired Burke's son, Ed Burke, Jr., to a six-figure job at the county while he faced sexual harassment allegations in his previous job with the Cook County sheriff.

Those scandals piled on top of other Preckwinkle controversies.

All of it led Preckwinkle to describe the campaign in the race's final days with a single word: "tough." But in the end, she survived all the controversy — at least for now.

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ELECTION 2019

Treasurer's race seems headed toward runoff

Conyears-Ervin leads Pawar, but neither tops 50%

BY DAN PETRELLA
Chicago Tribune

The three-way race for city treasurer appears likely to be headed for a second round between state Rep. Melissa Conyears-Ervin and 47th Ward Ald. Ameya Pawar.

As of about 9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Conyears-Ervin was leading with about 45 percent of the vote, while Pawar had tallied about 41 percent of the vote, according to unofficial results from the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners.

While about 10 percent of precincts still had to be counted, the margin between the top two remained steady for much of the vote counting, and neither candidate appeared likely to reach the 50 percent threshold needed to win the seat outright and avoid an April 2 runoff election.

Both camps said they anticipate a second round of voting in the race to replace outgoing Treasurer Kurt Summers.

Expected to be eliminated Tuesday was the third candidate, Peter Gariepy, who trailed with about 14 percent. He's an accountant who ran unsuccessfully for Cook County treasurer last year.

The Associated Press declared after 9 p.m. Tuesday that the race is headed to a runoff.

The treasurer's office oversees the city's bank accounts and investments, among other responsibilities.

Pawar, 38, has represented his North Side ward since 2011. As he did during his aborted run for the Democratic nomination for governor in the last election cycle, Pawar has cast him-

self as the progressive choice, vowing to create a public bank to refinance student debt and invest in affordable housing and to launch an office of economic empowerment.

He said late Tuesday that he planned to embark on a second round of campaigning Wednesday morning.

"Nothing changes," he said. "This campaign has always been about building a coalition to take on income inequality in a meaningful way. ... We always anticipated a close race."

Conyears-Ervin, 43, has represented a West Side district in the Illinois House since 2017, winning re-election to a second term in November. As treasurer, she's said she would serve as a fiscal watchdog and seek to move responsibility for financial analysis of key legislation to the treasurer's office.

"This is where the campaign truly begins," said Nick Wilbat, Conyears-Ervin's campaign manager. She will continue with her platform of increasing transparency, efficiency and accountability in the treasurer's office, he said.

Gariepy, 36, a certified public accountant who's never held elected office, said he was not ready to endorse either of his former opponents. "At this point, I'm open to speaking with both of them," he said.

There also were three candidates on the ballot for city clerk, but only votes for incumbent Anna Valencia are being counted. An Illinois appellate court last week upheld the election board's decision to disqualify challengers Patricia Horton and Elizabeth "Betty" Arias-Ibarra after officials found they didn't get enough petition signatures to appear on the ballot.

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A lone voter casts his ballot at the Sankofa Cultural Center in Chicago on Tuesday.

Low turnout, handful of woes mark day

Anemic total of voters cast ballots amid problems

BY JUAN PEREZ JR. AND BILL RUTTHART
Chicago Tribune

Chicago barely escaped setting a record for low voter turnout in the historic 14-way mayoral race, sparking speculation that voters wanted the field to clear some before choosing a favorite in the April 2 runoff.

Nearly 539,000 residents — about 34 percent of registered voters — had cast ballots as of 7 p.m. Tuesday, according to unofficial Chicago Board of Election Commissioners data.

That anemic total ranks among the lowest turnout levels recorded in a city election since it was 33 percent in 2007, when Richard M. Daley won his sixth and final term.

"We hope voters make up their minds and participate ... but it appears some voters are either just disengaged or not willing to

make a decision until they know who's in the runoff, assuming there is a runoff," Chicago Board of Election Commissioners spokesman Jim Allen told reporters.

Chicago's pool of registered voters is 11 percent higher than it was in 2015. That is thanks largely to a surge of registrations tied to the November 2018 midterms. So part of the low turnout tally could be that those November voters are not turning out for the February city election.

"But the thing is, in 2007, you did not have a contested race," Allen said. "You did not have a hotly contested race ... So it's kind of apples to oranges."

Disillusionment with the city's past leadership may play a part as well.

Peter Rivera, 55, a Chicago Public Schools security officer, said he stopped voting about seven years ago. No matter who's elected, nothing changes and politicians break promises, he said.

His friends and family mostly feel the same way, he said.

"Once they're in there, they'll forget about you ... it's all about money and power, that's all they want," Rivera said.

Jose Carmona, 34, of Lakeview, who works in human resources for the Cubs, said he usually votes but this election didn't grab his attention.

Carmona said he might vote if there's a runoff, but he still wouldn't go out of his way. "I think people believe that no one's going to make a big difference."

The lack of voter turnout was part of a day that saw scattered problems throughout the city, a report of gift cards being handed out at one voting site and the removal of at least two election judges.

One polling place remained open until 8 p.m. after equipment problems delayed the start of voting for more than two hours after polls were scheduled to open. Election officials asked for a court order to extend voting hours at the Independence Park site in Irving Park.

At the Barbara Jean Wright Apartments, 1354 S.

Morgan St., on the Near West Side, multiple election judges and a poll watcher confirmed reports that at least one person was standing in the narrow hallway outside the room where votes were cast handing out gift cards.

The gift cards, reportedly for Target, were given to people after they voted. It's unclear if they were intended to persuade voters to select a certain candidate.

One judge was pulled from a Humboldt Park polling place after she reportedly engaged in electioneering for an aldermanic candidate and then had two associates threaten other workers at a 26th Ward polling place.

A second judge was pulled from duty because she reportedly was intoxicated while working at a 34th Ward polling place at a West Pullman school.

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Using these tables

The following results of the Tuesday, Feb. 26 municipal elections in Chicago and the suburbs are unofficial. In Chicago races in which no candidate receives more than 50 percent of the vote, the two candidates receiving the most votes will oppose each other in the April 2 election.

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MAYOR BY WARD

	Chico	Daley	Enyia	Fioretti	Ford	Joyce	Kozlar	Lightfoot	McCarthy	Mendoza	Preck-winkle	Sales-Griffin	Vallas	Wilson
1	396	943	1077	61	32	272	44	1955	139	839	1223	27	353	203
2	484	2980	654	65	48	418	58	2357	319	767	1198	36	770	252
3	360	1304	938	90	98	308	31	1749	132	485	2174	28	389	1546
4	194	795	1103	77	106	149	23	1844	72	354	3028	34	248	1124
5	170	689	1072	42	92	123	11	1947	63	293	3164	32	219	1239
6	181	639	740	51	163	169	5	1212	56	216	2048	22	157	2387
7	198	518	561	32	75	108	5	761	49	265	1359	18	139	1552
8	302	1026	1164	65	201	232	11	1617	72	332	2956	39	258	2721
9	261	738	789	67	106	201	11	1146	64	252	1866	34	220	2586
10	1500	805	276	51	22	461	25	428	383	1239	502	11	419	468
11	629	3255	543	54	27	767	213	993	437	538	659	14	414	190
12	801	891	406	32	21	406	38	447	215	1284	448	16	169	127
13	1398	1624	253	85	15	2089	45	465	590	1814	382	14	624	225
14	767	672	191	36	6	618	23	231	213	1023	189	4	209	80
15	499	399	233	17	20	169	13	231	72	769	345	8	95	478
16	127	302	239	11	51	73	12	340	37	213	690	8	72	1131
17	174	455	405	27	85	115	6	586	41	234	1137	12	108	1702
18	598	1079	775	44	134	718	12	1279	210	676	1816	26	472	1994
19	828	1833	681	62	73	7555	41	1609	306	650	1566	27	1666	983
20	175	388	627	31	82	104	10	789	37	270	1262	16	115	1472
21	276	779	895	53	170	223	10	1355	57	302	2353	31	209	2958
22	504	475	281	20	36	303	14	248	111	1018	473	6	85	292
23	961	1093	191	49	10	1571	51	365	447	1220	296	7	458	158
24	102	351	382	26	147	71	6	498	31	181	912	10	68	1474
25	773	1071	857	78	45	410	56	1191	166	1053	995	22	321	350
26	585	914	886	46	56	248	19	1245	179	1019	1269	30	261	415
27	270	1053	627	152	138	207	29	1168	112	422	1495	26	218	1595
28	231	629	551	94	208	158	17	951	78	284	1094	16	202	1728
29	318	836	469	59	358	223	19	930	125	424	1182	4	244	1588
30	548	779	419	61	20	294	41	791	249	1131	607	8	264	172
31	572	794	388	44	12	253	35	674	221	1163	567	8	217	204
32	414	1587	928	55	44	334	48	2644	172	669	1193	41	498	131
33	568	1145	994	66	56	349	39	2320	225	1167	1493	27	441	173
34	252	874	857	58	151	276	5	1264	67	314	2163	23	216	2793
35	373	600	630	36	30	209	22	1058	135	813	863	15	186	137
36	592	820	224	42	21	451	49	513	255	1141	435	3	378	226
37	124	464	368	34	389	85	8	553	46	231	843	9	102	1570
38	867	1426	232	85	18	1210	49	902	564	1089	600	17	852	273
39	851	2190	496	95	27	1082	47	1925	489	1036	1228	28	1274	341
40	553	1290	1045	58	44	530	42	3063	242	914	1742	22	713	202
41	1308	2726	224	166	14	2969	56	1221	979	1249	699	24	2213	490
42	417	2643	352	66	27	333	55	1804	299	542	935	33	603	195
43	463	3400	545	62	36	387	50	2436	254	696	1187	30	857	220
44	472	1973	885	65	51	312	58	3035	244	984	1429	43	609	174
45	1120	2072	504	159	36	1675	81	1866	834	1360	1212	18	1331	517
46	393	1307	965	64	52	247	45	2759	179	802	1567	34	434	321
47	628	2208	1549	101	70	593	65	4783	292	1259	2459	36	891	232
48	522	1665	1349	74	65	560	49	4529	275	917	2723	30	611	373
49	338	828	1315	59	58	268	25	2529	139	785	2224	28	359	322
50	479	1554	468	87	24	429	19	1370	254	605	1077	15	651	297

ALDERMANIC RACES

Ward 1	Daniel La Spata	6,743	61.0%	Ward 19	Matthew O'Shea*	17,047	85.2%	Ward 35	Carlos Ramirez-Rosa*	4,536	59.6%
	Proco "Joe" Moreno*	4,307	39.0%		David Dewar	2,965	14.8%		Amanda Yu Dieterich	3,078	40.4%
Ward 3	Pat Dowell*	8,395	69.2%	Ward 20	Jeanette B. Taylor	2,064	29.0%	Ward 37	Emma Mitts*	3,680	54.5%
	Alexandria Willis	3,742	30.8%		Nicole Johnson	1,573	22.1%		Tara Stamps	2,696	40.0%
Ward 4	Sophia King*	8,262	66.0%		Kevin Bailey	1,175	16.5%		Deondre Rutues	372	5.5%
	Ebony Lucas	4,262	34.0%		Maya Hodari	682	9.6%	Ward 39	Samantha "Sam" Nugent	4,072	33.1%
Ward 5	Leslie Hairston*	5,669	48.6%		Andre Smith	578	8.1%		Robert Murphy	3,619	29.4%
	William Calloway	3,143	27.0%		Anthony Driver	459	6.4%		Casey Smagala	3,417	27.8%
	Gabriel Piemonte	2,841	24.4%		Jennifer Maddox	374	5.3%		Joe Duplechin	1,203	9.8%
					Quandra Speights	150	2.1%	Ward 40	Patrick O'Connor*	4,249	33.3%
Ward 6	Roderick Sawyer*	4,826	50.5%		Demard Newell	68	1.0%		Andre Vasquez	2,572	20.2%
	Deborah Foster-Bonner	2,904	30.4%	Ward 21	Howard Brookins*	4,445	45.5%		Dianne Daleiden	2,207	17.3%
	Richard Wooten	1,822	19.1%		Marvin McNeil	2,484	25.4%		Maggie O'Keefe	1,948	15.3%
Ward 7	Gregory Mitchell*	6,494	66.2%		Patricia Foster	1,880	19.2%		Ugo Okere	1,777	13.9%
	Jedidiah Brown	2,057	21.0%	Ward 22	Michael Rodriguez	3,048	63.9%	Ward 41	Anthony Napolitano*	11,890	70.6%
	Charles Kyle	1,255	12.8%		Liz Lopez	657	13.8%		Tim Heneghan	4,952	29.4%
Ward 8	Michelle Harris*	8,588	64.4%		Richard Juarez	598	12.5%	Ward 42	Michele Smith*	4,833	38.7%
	Linda Hudson	2,306	17.3%		Nettalie Gonzalez	466	9.8%		Derek Lindblom	3,465	27.8%
	Faheem Shabazz	1,367	10.3%	Ward 23	Silvana Tabares*	6,455	76.0%		Leslie Fox	1,675	13.4%
	Jewel Easterling-Smith	1,071	8.0%		Paulino Villarreal	2,033	24.0%		Jacob Ringer	1,607	12.9%
Ward 9	Anthony Beale*	6,334	59.0%	Ward 24	Michael Scott*	3,608	60.4%		Rebecca Janowitz	607	4.9%
	Cleopatra Watson	2,773	25.8%		Creative Scott	1,134	19.0%	Ward 44	Steven McClellan	291</	

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Burke pushes aside challengers

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events, calling for the beginning of a new era in the ward.

Burke needed to maintain a vote total above 50 percent to avoid a runoff election April 2.

The alderman's campaign did not invite the media to his party late Tuesday. Burke watched the election results at his ward building, which houses his political office, and said he didn't want to "jinx the apparent win."

Burke said he's "been working hard for 50 years," and was asked what it says about the voters that they would re-elect him amid his corruption case. "Why don't you ask them?" Burke replied. "They voted for me."

Earlier in the evening Burke had appeared in the parking lot of a church in the ward where he has been boss since 1969, and said he was optimistic.

"Statistics all look very positive. Walk down the block over there, take a look at the signs in the yards," Burke said, gesturing toward the next block.

"People don't put signs in yards unless they're committed to the candidate so we feel good about that."

Burke said he hadn't been hearing about the corruption case from voters and said he maintains his innocence. Federal authorities charged him with attempted extortion in early January, saying he held up a driveway permit for a Burger King in an attempt to get a franchisee with a number of the restaurants to hire his law firm for property tax appeal work.

"I'm not going to litigate that matter here in the parking lot," Burke said, shortly before walking away. "That'll take place in the court."

Both Burke challengers had said they believed momentum was building

toward change there, and that it went beyond the area's demographic shift.

Guzman had said it was tough to work through decades of Burke dominance as he campaigned, but he was feeling a difference among voters.

"From the beginning, I've been of the opinion that after 50 years of the same person ruling this ward, the community deserves options," Guzman said in the same parking lot where Burke was greeting voters. "We gave them those options today."

Burke's lawyer, Charles Sklarsky, has said the charges are false and that his client will fight them. The dapper Burke, who often appears for council meetings in pinstriped suits, kept a stiff upper lip when he left his first federal court appearance wearing a trench coat and his trademark fedora.

Burke had vowed to stay in the race despite wide-

spread criticism from his fellow aldermen, though he stepped down from his influential position as chairman of the City Council Finance Committee.

Burke has long been admired on the City Council for his mastery of its arcane rules and his ability to shepherd legislation through its channels. That legacy, too, was shaken by the charges, which involved alleged conduct that some viewed as almost ham-handed.

Others said while any charges against Burke were surprising because of his perceived smarts, he has often made a habit of moving in gray areas some don't dare approach. He has often recused himself from council votes due to conflicts of interest stemming from his job as a property tax attorney at his firm, Klafiter & Burke.

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As Tunney celebrates, tenures threatened

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Field in it." At his side was Mayor Emanuel, who said it's important to support people who work hard, build schools, and invest in public safety and neighborhoods.

"Tom's done that, and the people obviously reflected that," Emanuel said.

"I think when you have somebody come in and say they're going to try to big-foot the voice of the constituents, it's very important to see results like this," Emanuel told the Tribune.

Asked if that was referring to the Ricketts family, which funded a group that sent out mailers against Tunney, the mayor brushed the question aside.

Meanwhile, several veteran aldermen were in tough fights Tuesday.

In the Far North Side 49th Ward, Moore, the third-longest tenured council member, trailed Chicago Teachers Union-backed challenger Maria Hadden. With 85 percent of precincts in, Hadden had 64.5 percent of the vote to 35.5 percent for Moore.

Moore said he figured his long career as an alderman was coming to an end.

"I don't think we can overcome it," Moore said. "The handwriting is on the wall as the fat lady waits to take the stage."

Moore, who often opposed former Mayor Richard M. Daley, became a close ally of Emanuel, which lost him a good deal of support in his historically independent-minded ward.

"It's clear that people are looking for change, and it's not just in the 49th Ward," said Moore, who noted that other incumbents were either losing or headed to runoffs.

In the Northwest Side 45th Ward, Arena collected just 35 percent of the vote, trailing Chicago firefighter and emergency medical technician James "Jim" Gardiner, who had 52 percent in a four-candidate field, with 98 percent of precincts in. Arena angered some in the ward with his



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With Mayor Rahm Emanuel at his side on Tuesday night, 44th Ward Ald. Tom Tunney celebrated election results at El Jardin in Wrigleyville.

support of a proposed development with affordable housing in Jefferson Park.

Arena, who served two terms, said he's "disappointed in the results, but I am incredibly proud of the work we've done to build an inclusive, diverse and safe community."

And in the Northwest Side 1st Ward, Ald. Proco "Joe" Moreno was down to Daniel La Spata. With 98 percent of precincts reporting, La Spata had 61 percent of the vote to 39 percent for Moreno. The race drew attention in recent weeks when police said they were investigating whether Moreno filed a false report when he told police his car was stolen from his Wicker Park home.

Meanwhile, La Spata drew criticism for a photo posted online that showed him dressed as a banana next to his friends in monkey masks posing with several African-American youths.

La Spata chalked up his victory to people being tired of "the Chicago Way and the Chicago machine."

"I think this race is turning on a progressive movement that's taking hold in Chicago," he said.

In 40 out of the 50 wards, an alderman faced at least one opponent.

In addition, five aldermen are unopposed, and five wards have open-seat contests where the alderman isn't running.

Many of the races will head to an April 2 runoff election between the top

two vote-getters. Included in those will likely be 10 sitting aldermen. They are: Ald. Leslie Hairston, 5th, who faced two opponents who were neck-and-neck for second place; Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th, who could face Rafael "Rafa" Yanez; Ald. Toni Foulkes, 16th, who was trailing Democratic Committeeman Stephanie Coleman; Ald. Howard Brookins, 21st, who's likely to face Marvin McNeil; Ald. Ariel Reboyras, 30th, who's likely to face Jessica Gutierrez; Ald. Milagros "Milly" Santiago, 31st, who's likely to face Felix Cardona; Ald. Deb Mell, 33rd, who was slightly trailing R. Rodriguez Sanchez; O'Connor, 40th, the second-longest serving alderman who was likely to face Andre Vasquez; Ald. Michele Smith, 43rd, who was likely to face Derek Lindblom; Ald. James Capleman, 46th, with three challengers tightly grouped with several precincts left to count.

Three other veteran aldermen were barely above the 50 percent mark, with mail-in ballots yet to be fully counted. They were Ald. Roderick Sawyer, 6th; Ald. George Cardenas, 12th; and Ald. Roberto Maldonado, 26th.

The City Council contests are playing out against the backdrop of a wide-open, crowded mayoral race. Several young, progressive-aligned aldermanic candidates are taking on longtime incumbents who allied themselves with the outgoing Emanuel. The results of both the aldermanic and mayoral races could help determine whether the City Council plays a more active role in running Chicago after largely playing second fiddle to strong mayors for 30 years.

Among other aldermanic contests: ■ The council's longest-tenured member, 14th Ward Ald. Edward Burke had 55 percent of the vote to 29 percent for challenger Tanaya Patino, a civil engineer backed by U.S. Rep. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia, a longtime Burke nemesis and progressive standard-bearer. ■ In the 30th Ward, Ald. Reboyras, who was backed by Emanuel, had 48 percent

to 47 percent for Jessica Gutierrez, the former congressman's daughter with 94 percent of precincts in.

■ In the 20th Ward, nine candidates are running to succeed Ald. Willie Cochran, who faces federal bribery charges and isn't running for re-election in a ward that stretches west from near the planned Jackson Park site of the Obama Presidential Center. Unions with a progressive agenda also are involved. With 80 percent of precincts reporting, Jeanette Taylor led the field with 29 percent of the vote. Nicole Johnson was in second place with 23 percent.

■ In Pilsen and environs, five candidates are vying for the 25th Ward seat vacated by longtime Ald. Danny Solis, who was secretly wearing a wire while cooperating in a federal investigation. With all precincts reporting, Byron Sigcho-Lopez had 29 percent of the vote to 22 percent for Alexander Acevedo, the son of former state Rep. Eddie Acevedo.

■ On the Southwest Side, 13th Ward Ald. Marty Quinn, a close ally of House Speaker Michael Madigan, faces DePaul University student David Krupa. Quinn was way up, 85 percent to 15 percent, with 90 percent of precincts reporting.

■ In the 44th Ward, Tunney's contest had turned into a proxy fight against the wealthy Ricketts family. The family helped pay for anti-Tunney mailers sent out by a group called Neighbors for a Better Lakeview, and Tunney said they've also contributed to a political action committee that paid to set up terribletunney.com, which focuses on escalating taxes and crime in the ward.

• And in the North Side 40th Ward, which includes parts of Andersonville and Lincoln Square, Emanuel's City Council floor leader, O'Connor, was trying to fend off four challengers as he seeks his 10th term. O'Connor had 34.6 percent to 18.2 percent for Andre Vasquez with 82 percent of precincts reporting.

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Trump, Kim kick off Round 2

As world watches, leaders conferring at nuclear summit

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Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — With nervous world capitals looking on, President Donald Trump and North Korea's Kim Jong Un are beginning their second nuclear summit with a one-on-one discussion and an intimate dinner as hard questions swirl about what the president will demand and Pyongyang might be willing to give up.

The leaders and their aides encamped in Hanoi after long journeys by plane, train and automobile — Trump on Air Force One; Kim in an armored rail car and limousine — for two days of talks addressing perhaps the world's biggest security challenge: Kim's nuclear program that stands on the verge of realistically threatening targets around the planet.

Although many experts are skeptical Kim will give up the nuclear weapons he likely sees as his best guarantee of continued rule, there was a palpable, carnival-like excitement among many in Hanoi as final preparations were made for Wednesday's summit opening.

Trump was opening his visit in morning meetings with Vietnam's president and prime minister before turning his attention to Kim. Official greetings with the normally reclusive leader will give way to a short one-on-one discus-



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BUAI DOAN TAN/XINHUA

President Trump and Kim Jong Un use different modes of transport to arrive Tuesday in Hanoi, Vietnam — Trump on Air Force One; Kim by rail and limo.

sion before what's being described as a social dinner with an exclusive guest list. The White House said Trump will be joined at the dinner by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney. Kim, too, will have two aides with him, and there will be translators for each side.

Trump and Kim will have a series of additional official meetings Thursday.

Kim, who arrived in Hanoi first, spent Tuesday traveling around the Vietnamese capital in his limousine. With a squad of bodyguards in tow, he visited sections of Hanoi, including his nation's embassy where a loud cheer went up as he entered the compound.

As host, Vietnam is eager to show off its huge economic and development improvements since the destruction of the Vietnam

War. But the country also tolerates no dissent and is able to provide the kind of firm hand not allowed by more democratic potential hosts.

Before Kim's arrival in Hanoi on Tuesday, Vietnam's Foreign Ministry announced that the White House media center would have to move from the Melia hotel downtown, where the North Korean leader is staying. The White House travel office cited "technical issues" for the move, which forced news organizations operating from the hotel to pack up and relocate a few blocks away.

The move was believed to have come at North Korea's request. The travel office, which handles logistics for reporters covering Trump's foreign trips, was informed at about 5 a.m. Tuesday, one official said,

without elaborating.

It was not clear whether the White House or Kim's delegation had booked the Melia first. But the last-minute change was emblematic of a summit that had been planned seemingly on the fly, with Vietnamese officials saying they had 10 days to make security and other arrangements in Hanoi.

Trump arrived late Tuesday after a 20-hour trip that included refueling stops in England and Qatar. He shook hands with dignitaries on a red carpet flanked by Vietnamese troops in crisp white uniforms. The route to his hotel was decorated with American, North Korean and Vietnamese flags, and adults and children peered out upper-floor windows holding up cellphones to capture his arrival.

"Tremendous crowds,

and so much love!" Trump tweeted.

Kim's journey to the summit, though shorter in distance, was even more protracted. He took a nearly 70-hour train ride through southern China and then traveled from a Vietnamese border town in his limousine. Hours ahead of his border crossing at Dong Dang, footage from Japanese TV network TBS showed Kim taking a pre-dawn smoke break at a train station in China. A woman who appeared to be his sister, Kim Yo Jong, held a crystal ashtray at the ready.

In Hanoi, soldiers, police and journalists packed the streets outside Kim's hotel, and hundreds of citizens stood behind barricades hoping to see the North Korean leader.

The leaders first met last June in Singapore, a summit that was long on historic

pageantry but short on any enforceable agreements for North Korea to give up its nuclear arsenal.

North Korea has spent decades, at great economic sacrifice, building its nuclear program, and there is widespread skepticism that it will give away that program cheaply.

Trump laid out ultimate goals for both the U.S. and Kim before leaving Washington: "We want denuclearization, and I think he'll have a country that will set a lot of records for speed in terms of an economy."

He has praised Pyongyang for ceasing missile tests, and has appeared to ease up on demanding a timeline for disarmament. Kim is seeking relief from crushing U.S. sanctions.

The Washington Post and Los Angeles Times contributed.

Vietnam a lesson in reconciliation

Country example of former U.S. foe becoming a friend

BY DENIS D. GRAY AND HAU DINH
Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — The Vietnamese capital once trembled as waves of American bombers unleashed their payloads, but when Kim Jong Un and President Donald Trump meet for their summit, Kim won't find rancor toward the United States. Instead the North Korean leader will get a glimpse at the potential rewards of reconciliation.

By the time the Vietnam War ended in 1975, tens of thousands of tons of explosives had been dropped on Hanoi and nearly two decades of fighting had killed 3 million Vietnamese and more than 58,000 Americans. Vietnam, though victorious, lay devastated by American firepower.

Despite the conflict's savagery, what followed was a remarkable rapprochement between wartime foes.

Now some hope Vietnam will offer Kim a "road map" for his own detente with the United States and that the formerly besieged capital city will be the site of a dramatic resolution to one of the last remaining Cold War conflicts.

While North Korea remains America's sworn enemy 65 years after the Korean War fighting ceased, Vietnam today stands as a burgeoning partner that even buys lethal U.S. weaponry. Bilateral trade has soared by 8,000 percent over the last two decades and billions of dollars in American investment flows into one of the world's best performing economies.

And while North Koreans are still taught to loathe Americans by their country's propaganda machine, in Vietnam there is little animosity.



HAU DINH/AP

A visitor touches bullet holes on a U.S. artillery launcher Feb. 21 at the Vietnam Military History Museum in Hanoi.

"I was born after the war and only hear war stories from American films or books," said Dinh Thanh Huyen, 19, a university student who was waiting in line at a crowded McDonald's in Hanoi. She said she was happy the former enemies have moved on. "History is for us to learn from, not to hold grudges."

Kim could take note of the history of win-win rapprochement and how Vietnam's communist leaders have allowed a capitalistic economy and an open door to the U.S. and other outsiders, all while not sacrificing their tight grip on power. Or he could allow it all to pass him by as he narrows his focus for the two-day summit, which began Wednesday, on tit-for-tat bargaining over nuclear arms and economic sanctions.

U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo spoke in Hanoi last year about "the once-unimaginable prosperity and partnership" the U.S. has come to enjoy with Vietnam and noted Viet-

nam was able to maintain its form of government.

"I have a message for Chairman Kim Jong Un: President Trump believes your country can replicate this path. It's yours to seize the moment," he said. "This can be your miracle in North Korea as well."

To be sure, Vietnam remains a one-party state with a poor human rights record where even moderate critics and dissenters are frequently jailed.

Since the first Trump-Kim summit last June in Singapore, a few small steps have already been taken along a timeline forged by the U.S.-Vietnamese thaw, including Pyongyang turning over remains of U.S. servicemen killed in the Korean War.

It was the same missing in action issue that heralded U.S.-Vietnamese reconciliation, with the repatriation of American war dead creating an environment for improvement in relations in other areas.

Next came step-by-step

lifting of economic sanctions, as Washington encouraged Vietnam's so-called *doi moi* reform, initiatives launched in 1986 to shed a state-run economy in favor of a market-oriented one open to foreigners.

North Korea has already shown interest in Vietnam's reforms, sending students and official delegations who returned home with favorable reports. Having enjoyed close relations with North Korea since 1950, Vietnam could be the ideal go-between in nudging Pyongyang to re-engineer its disastrous economy and turn foes to friends.

"Vietnam's model of development 'doi moi' is an important factor in the United States' larger strategy of drawing North Korea out of its self-imposed isolation as part of the larger process of denuclearizing," said Carlyle Thayer, a political scientist at the University of New South Wales.

But Thayer and other experts share reservations about how much of the

U.S.-Vietnamese "miracle" can be duplicated. There are stark differences in the way North Korea responded once the fighting stopped.

The North slammed shut its doors and slid into a Cold War bunker — and it remains one of the world's most isolated nations. Vietnam, however, chose to put behind its tragic past and move forward.

Not long after the war, American journalists and official U.S. delegations were allowed entry to a poor, shabby Hanoi, its lovely French colonial buildings moldering from neglect. The only clothes many men had were the baggy green uniforms and pith helmets of the North Vietnamese army.

Expecting a hostile reception, the Americans were stunned at the lack of animosity displayed by the average Vietnamese, even those who had lost loved ones to U.S. bombs. Returning U.S. veterans were often signaled out for especially

warm welcomes, sometimes tearfully embracing their onetime battlefield enemies while exchanging stories of suffering.

Making such scenes possible were a set of special circumstances. Some were geo-political: Vietnam badly needed a counterbalance that the U.S. could provide to its perennial enemy — China.

This has taken on special urgency in recent years as Beijing moves aggressively to claim large swaths of the South China Sea. Telling are the exchanges between the U.S. and Vietnamese coast guards and the provision of U.S. patrol boats. Last year the USS Carl Vinson, an American aircraft carrier, made a historic port call in Vietnam, the first of its kind since the war ended.

Vietnam also no longer faced a threat from the United States, whereas North Korea perceives that it does, making abandonment of its nuclear program difficult, perhaps even in exchange for the lifting of economic sanctions.

But an underlying human element was also at work.

"During the Vietnam War, Hanoi always drew a distinction between the peace-loving American people and the imperialist American government," Thayer said. "There was a basis for future reconciliation."

Near the McDonald's in Hanoi's old quarter, not far from a Starbucks, the area is closed to traffic each weekend and entertainers take to streets now strung with U.S. and North Korean flags.

A short stroll away, tourist Brian Walker was taking in Hanoi's Military War Museum, fronted by the wreckage of an American B-52.

"For many Americans, it may be a country of a bloody war that we took part in," said Walker, 28, of New York City. "But coming here, all I see is people with big smiles, good food and a beautiful landscape."

House rejects Trump emergency

Vote sends legislation to GOP-led Senate, where measure's outcome remains in doubt

BY ALAN FRAM
AND ANDREW TAYLOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democrats ignored a veto threat and rammed legislation through the House on Tuesday that would stymie President Donald Trump's bid for billions of extra dollars for his border wall, escalating a clash over whether he was abusing his powers to advance his paramount campaign pledge.

The House's 245-182 vote to block Trump's national emergency declaration fell well below the two-thirds majority that would be needed to override his promised veto.

Top Republicans worked to keep defections as low as possible — 13 backed the Democrats' resolution — underscoring their desire to avoid a tally suggesting that Trump's hold on lawmakers was weakening.

The vote also throws the political hot potato to the Republican-run Senate, where there were already enough GOP defections to edge it to the cusp of passage. Vice President Mike Pence used a lunch with Republican senators at the Capitol to try keeping them aboard, citing a dangerous crisis at the border, but there were no signs he'd succeeded.

"I personally couldn't handicap the outcome at this point," said Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who's planning a vote within the next three weeks. He even said Republicans remained uncertain about the legality of Trump's move, telling reporters, "We're in the process of weighing that."

Senate passage would force Trump's first veto, which the House vote demonstrated that Congress would surely fail to overturn. But the showdown was forcing Republicans to

cast uncomfortable votes pitting their support for a president wildly popular with GOP voters against fears that his expansive use of emergency powers would invite future Democratic presidents to do likewise for their own pet policies.

House Republicans who joined all voting Democrats to support the Democratic resolution included moderates from competitive districts like Fred Upton of Michigan and libertarian-leaning conservatives like Thomas Massie from Kentucky.

The White House wrote to lawmakers formally threatening to veto the legislation.

The letter said blocking the emergency declaration would "undermine the administration's ability to respond effectively to the ongoing crisis at the Southern Border."

Republicans said Democrats were driven by politics and a desire to oppose Trump at every turn, and said Trump had clear authority to declare an emergency to protect the country. They also defended the president's claims of a security crisis along the boundary with Mexico, which he has said is ravaged by drug smugglers, human traffickers and immigrants trying to sneak into the country illegally.

"We are at war on the Southern border with the drug cartels," said Rep. Pete Olson, R-Texas.

Trump has asserted that barriers would stop drugs from Mexico from entering the country, but government figures show that 90 percent of drugs intercepted from Mexico are caught at ports of entry, not remote areas where barriers would be constructed.

Democrats said Republicans repeatedly accused former President Barack



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Mitch McConnell said he's unsure whether the Senate will approve a resolution to block President Trump's declaration.

Obama of flouting the Constitution, which gives Congress control over spending, but are ignoring Trump's effort to do the same.

"Is your oath of office to Donald Trump, or is your oath of office to the Constitution?" House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., asked Republicans.

Trump's push for the wall reflected a continuation of the anti-immigrant views that helped fuel his election, some Democrats said.

"Since when do we call human beings in need a national emergency?" said Mexican-born Rep. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia, D-Ill. "Is he running out of insults for people like me?"

Democrats also said the crisis is fiction manufactured by Trump to dance around Congress' vote this month to provide less than

\$1.4 billion for barrier construction. That was well below the \$5.7 billion Trump demanded as he futilely forced a record-setting 35-day federal shutdown.

"The president does not get to override Congress in a raucous temper tantrum over his inability to broker a deal" with lawmakers for more money, said Rep. Hank Johnson, D-Ga.

Rep. Joaquin Castro, D-Texas, sponsor of the one-sentence measure blocking the declaration, called Trump's move "constitutional vandalism."

Trump used a 1976 law to declare a national emergency and ordered the shift of \$3.6 billion from military construction projects to wall building. Citing other powers, he intends to shift an additional \$3.1 billion from Defense Department anti-drug efforts and a fund

that collects seized assets.

The money would be used to build steel barriers up to 30 feet tall and other barriers and for "law enforcement efforts," said a White House statement.

In the Senate, three Republicans have said they will back Democrats' drive to block the emergency declaration: Maine's Susan Collins, Alaska's Lisa Murkowski and North Carolina's Thom Tillis.

One more GOP defection would provide enough votes to approve the Democratic measure, assuming all Democrats and their independent allies back it.

Republicans said senators asked Pence numerous questions about which projects Trump would divert to pay for the wall, with Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., saying the discussion was "hearty."

Shelby, who chairs the

Senate Appropriations Committee, which controls spending, said his panel would quickly "backfill" money for military construction with other funds he did not identify.

"That issue won't stay alive long," Shelby told reporters.

Sen. John Thune of South Dakota, the chief GOP vote counter, said there may be GOP attempts to amend the House measure, saying Republicans "think they have amendments that would improve it."

That suggests that McConnell may try finding a way to add language that could sink the Democratic resolution or, perhaps, make it more palatable for Republicans.

The law requires the Senate to vote on a measure within 18 days of receiving it from the House.

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Taliban signal hope in talks on U.S. pullout in Afghanistan

BY FAY ABUELGASIM
Associated Press

DOHA, Qatar — The Taliban and Washington's peace envoy are close to reaching an agreement on U.S. troop withdrawal from Afghanistan, a spokesman for the Islamic insurgents said Tuesday amid a new round of talks with the United States.

Suhail Shaheen, the spokesman, said the deal will also include guarantees that Afghanistan will not be used again as a staging arena for anti-American attacks.

His remarks came during the second day of talks in the Qatari capital of Doha with U.S. envoy Zalmay Khalilzad who has been trying to negotiate a resolution of the 17-year war in Afghanistan, America's

longest.

"If we do not reach a solution in this round of talks, then we will in the next round of talks, but that is our target," Shaheen said.

He said the sides in the talks are for now sticking to the two-point agenda: U.S. withdrawal and no-attacks guarantees.

The Taliban, who refuse to talk with the government in Kabul and describe it as a U.S. puppet, have long demanded direct talks with the United States but until Khalilzad's appointment last September, Washington had shied away from opening face-to-face negotiations.

Khalilzad arrived Monday for the talks in Doha and tweeted that this could be "a significant moment" in the process.

Khalilzad's past rounds of talks with the Taliban



Khalilzad



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Taliban spokesman Suhail Shaheen said Afghan talks are focused on U.S. withdrawal and no-attacks guarantees.

focused on American troop withdrawal in exchange for guarantees of no attacks against the U.S. but it was unclear how close he was on a deal on those issues. He has also been expected to pressure the Taliban to hold direct talks with the Kabul government.

The Taliban, who had harbored al-Qaida and its leader Osama bin Laden,

ruled Afghanistan before U.S. forces invaded in October 2001, following the 9/11 attacks. The Taliban have made a major comeback in recent years, and now carry out near-daily attacks on Afghan security forces.

President Donald Trump has expressed frustration at the protracted conflict.

Shaheen did not say how the Taliban — and their

main ally, the Haqqani network — could guarantee that Afghanistan would not again harbor terror suspects. Bin Laden's successor in al-Qaida, Ayman al-Zawahiri, is believed to be hiding in Afghanistan.

Scores of other militants from Arab countries, including Yemen and Saudi Arabia, are also believed to be living in Afghanistan, aligned with Taliban insurgents, the Islamic State group, which has suffered major defeats in Iraq and Syria, or other factions.

Khalilzad previously said Washington would demand verifiable guarantees from the Taliban, stressing that promises alone would not be sufficient but without elaborating.

The presence at the Doha talks of Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar, a co-founder of the Taliban, is considered significant because of his stature within the movement. Baradar was released

in October from a Pakistani jail where he had languished since being captured in a joint Pakistan-CIA operation in 2010.

Describing Baradar's presence as "very important," Shaheen said it was a reflection of "how much importance we are giving to these talks and how (great our) expectations" are.

Shaheen said the persistent Taliban refusal to hold talks with the Afghan government was an "internal" affair, giving no indication the insurgents could relent on that issue.

Earlier this month in Moscow, the Taliban held talks with Afghan politicians, opposition figures and tribal leaders, including former President Hamid Karzai.

Karzai later said he thinks the Taliban are ready to talk to the government but initially only as part of a larger gathering of all Afghan players.

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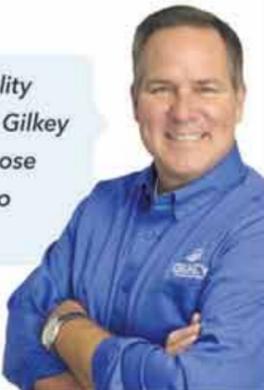
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Brexit activists demonstrate Tuesday outside the House of Commons in London.

May offers lawmakers vote to delay Brexit in trio of options

BY JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's bumpy journey out of the European Union took a major turn Tuesday, as Prime Minister Theresa May handed the steering wheel to Parliament, giving lawmakers the power to slam on the brakes and divert Britain away from a chaotic Brexit.



May

Bowing to pressure from within her own government to avert a damaging "no-deal" Brexit, May told legislators she would give them three choices: approve the divorce agreement she has struck with the EU, vote to leave the bloc March 29 without a deal, or ask the EU to delay Brexit by up to three months.

May said the promises were "commitments I am making as prime minister and I will stick by them."

It is the first time she has conceded that Britain may not leave the EU on March 29, the date fixed two years ago and enshrined in U.K. law as departure day.

With that date just over a month away, the government has not been able to win parliamentary approval

for its agreement with the EU on withdrawal terms and future relations. Anxiety over the standoff is intensifying since a chaotic "no-deal" Brexit could cause disruptions for businesses and people in Britain and the 27 remaining EU countries.

May promised lawmakers they would get to vote again on her deal by March 12. If it is rejected, lawmakers will vote the next day on whether to leave the bloc without an agreement. If the no-deal option is defeated, they will vote on whether to seek a delay to Brexit.

Because a majority of lawmakers opposes a "no-deal" Brexit, Parliament's choice is effectively between backing May's deal and postponing Britain's departure from the EU.

May said her goal remains to lead Britain out of the EU on schedule and with a deal. "I don't want to see an extension," she said.

But her announcement angered pro-Brexit lawmakers.

"My suspicion is that any delay to Brexit is a plot to stop Brexit," said leading Conservative Brexititeer Jacob Rees-Mogg. "This

would be the most grievous error that politicians could commit."

Pro-EU politicians, meanwhile, said May's move did not go far enough.

"A temporary extension does not rule out a no-deal Brexit; it merely moves the cliff-edge back a few weeks," said anti-Brexit Conservative Dominic Grieve.

May's concession to Parliament came after members of her government joined calls for her to rule out a "no-deal" departure. Three government ministers wrote in Tuesday's Daily Mail they planned to vote with opposition lawmakers to stop a no-deal withdrawal unless May agreed to delay Brexit and guarantee "we are not swept over the precipice on March 29."

Delaying Brexit would require approval from all 27 other EU countries.

British politics remains deadlocked over Brexit, with May's governing Conservatives and the main opposition Labour Party split over whether to leave the bloc, and on what terms.

May insists she will never support a referendum that could overturn Britain's 2016 decision to leave the EU.

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Cohen prepares to go public on Trump

Expected testimony: President's alleged lying, racism, financial violations

BY MARY CLARE JALONICK AND MICHAEL R. SISAK
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's former personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, is expected to give a behind-the-scenes account of what he will claim is Trump's lying, racism and cheating, and possibly even criminal conduct, when he testifies publicly before a House committee Wednesday, according to a person with knowledge of the matter.

Cohen is expected to provide what he will claim is evidence, in the form of documents, of Trump's conduct, said the person, who requested anonymity to discuss the confidential testimony.

Trump's former personal "fixer" arrived on Capitol Hill on Tuesday to begin three days of congressional appearances, starting with a closed-door interview with the Senate intelligence committee. The public won't have a chance to hear from him until Wednesday, when he testifies before the House Oversight and Gov-



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Michael Cohen speaks after testifying before the Senate intelligence committee on Tuesday.

ernment Reform Committee. He will go behind closed doors again when he talks to the House intelligence committee Thursday.

White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders said in a statement Tuesday it was "laughable that anyone would take a convicted liar like Cohen at his word, and pathetic to see him given yet another opportunity to spread his lies."

Lawmakers are alternately suspicious of Cohen — who is set to serve prison time for lying to the House

and Senate intelligence committees in 2017 — and eager to hear what he has to say after he turned on his longtime boss. Senators on the intelligence panel planned to attend Tuesday's meeting, a departure from the committee's usual practice, where interviews are conducted by staff only.

Senate intelligence committee chairman Richard Burr said that senators will have staff ask questions but will be in the room to observe.

He said no topics will be off limits and Cohen, a

confidant of Trump for many years, "should expect to get any question from anywhere about anything."

Burr said committee members know a lot more than they did when they first interviewed Cohen, who later pleaded guilty to lying to the committees about abandoning a proposal for a Trump Tower in Moscow in January 2016. Cohen has since acknowledged he continued pursuing the project for months after that.

Burr suggested his committee will take steps to

ensure Cohen is telling the truth.

"I'm sure there will be some questions we know the answers to, so we'll test him to see whether in fact he'll be truthful this time," Burr said.

Cohen's testimony is among the most anticipated since the House and Senate started investigating the Trump campaign's Russia ties two years ago. In addition to lying to Congress, Cohen pleaded guilty last year to campaign finance violations for his involvement in payments to two women who allege they had affairs with Trump.

Federal prosecutors in New York have said Trump directed Cohen to arrange the payments to buy the silence of porn actress Stormy Daniels and former Playboy model Karen McDougal in the run-up to the 2016 campaign.

Trump denies the allegations and says that Cohen lied to get a lighter sentence.

Cohen, who is set to begin a three-year prison sentence in May, was officially disbarred on Tuesday.

He is also expected to discuss what he knows about a meeting between Trump campaign associates and a Russian lawyer in Trump Tower before the 2016 election, a matter that is of particular interest to

special counsel Robert Mueller and congressional investigators.

Cohen is expected to discuss only matters related to Russia in the closed-door interviews with the intelligence committees, as House Oversight Chairman Elijah Cummings has said he doesn't want to interfere with Mueller's investigation.

Members of the Oversight panel are expected to ask questions about the campaign finance violations, Trump's business practices and compliance with tax laws and "the accuracy of the president's public statements," according to a memo laying out the scope of that hearing.

Rep. Matt Gaetz, R-Fla., tweeted Tuesday that the world is "about to learn a lot" about Cohen and suggested he knew of disparaging information that could come out during the hearing.

Gaetz, a Trump ally who talks to the president frequently, is not a member of the committee that will question Cohen.

He did not offer any evidence. Still, the tweet was extraordinary because his remarks appear to be threatening or intimidating a witness.

"We're witness testing, not witness tampering," Gaetz told reporters.

Makers of AK-47 rifle take aim at air with suicide drone

BY LIZ SLY
The Washington Post

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates — The Russian company that gave the world the iconic AK-47 assault rifle has unveiled a suicide drone that may similarly revolutionize war by making sophisticated drone warfare technology widely and cheaply available.

The Kalashnikov Group put a model of its miniature exploding drone on display at last week's defense exhibition in Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates, where the world's arms companies gather every two years to show off and market their latest wares.

The tiny item was dwarfed by the tanks, armored vehicles and fighter jets that were also on display. But it has as much potential to change the face of war as its older cousin, the AK-47, widely referred to as the Kalashnikov.

With its low price, high efficiency and ease of use, the Kalashnikov rifle became the weapon of choice for revolutionaries and insurgents around the world, empowering disgruntled citizens against their governments in Latin America, Africa and Asia. It remains a potent tool to this day: The Pentagon purchases secondhand Kalashnikov rifles for its allies in Syria and Afghanistan, rather than give them more expensive U.S.-made guns.

The Kalashnikov drone, called the KUB-UAV, will likewise be simple to operate, effective and cheap, its manufacturers claim — and just as revolutionary. It will mark "a step toward a completely new form of combat," said Sergey Chemezov, chairman of Russia's state-owned Rosotec arms manufacturer, which owns a controlling stake in Kalashnikov, according to Kalashnikov's news statement on the



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A model of the KUB-UAV, a new kamikaze drone that was unveiled this month in the United Arab Emirates.

launch.

The KUB is 4 feet wide, can fly for 30 minutes at a speed of 80 mph and carries six pounds of explosives, the news release says. That makes it roughly the size of a coffee table that can be guided to explode on a target 40 miles away — the equivalent of a "small, slow and presumably inexpensive cruise missile," according to a report by the National Interest website.

Whoever buys one will have the ability to steer a bomb with a high degree of accuracy unparalleled except by some of the U.S. military's smartest bombs, said Nicholas Grossman, a professor of international relations at the University of Illinois and author of the book "Drones and Terrorism."

"I think of it as democratizing smart bombs," he said "It means disseminating smart bombs more widely. This would shrink the gap between the most advanced militaries and the smaller ones."

Suicide drones are not new.

The Islamic State pioneered the art of attaching explosives to commercially available drones and detonating them on advancing troops and enemy bases in Iraq and Syria.

The U.S. and Israeli militaries have incorporated suicide drones into their arsenals — but controls on

the export of technology mean the devices aren't shared outside a small circle of allies.

The KUB drone will be faster and more accurate, and will deliver twice the explosive charge and have a greater range than any of the crude homemade devices that have been patched together by terrorists, according to the Kalashnikov representatives at the exhibition.

And unlike U.S. and Israeli exploding drones, the KUB will be "very cheap," said one of the Kalashnikov representatives. He declined to name the price and spoke on the condition of anonymity.

The target market will be "smaller armies" around the world, he said, meaning the availability of the KUB will bypass controls imposed by the United States and its allies that are designed to keep weaponized drones out of the hands of their foes.

The spread of kamikaze drones will also intensify efforts to counter them, Grossman pointed out. "This will definitely enhance the capabilities of various state and nonstate actors, but it's not something that can't be countered," he said.

However, he added, "I'm quite nervous of the capabilities being unleashed without knowing where it will lead."

Fears of escalation rise after India's airstrike in Pakistan

BY DAVID PIERSON AND AOUN SAHI
Los Angeles Times

ISLAMABAD — India launched an airstrike Tuesday on Pakistan in retaliation for a suicide bombing against its troops earlier this month, further heightening tensions between the two nuclear-armed states.

Indian Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale said the attack was directed at a militant training camp for Jaish-e-Muhammad, a group that India says carried out a suicide bombing Feb. 14 that killed 40 Indian paramilitaries in Kashmir.

The strike marks the first publicly acknowledged incursion by Indian warplanes over Pakistan since 1971, when the two countries were at war.

Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan directed the country's military and people to "remain prepared for all eventualities."

Gokhale said the strike was urgent, citing intelligence reports that determined the camp, 120 miles north of Islamabad in Balakot, was training militants for another suicide attack.

"In the face of imminent danger, a pre-emptive strike became absolutely necessary," said Gokhale, who added that "a very large number" of militants had been killed in the strike.

Pakistan offered a different version of Tuesday's attack.

Maj. Gen. Asif Ghaffoor, a spokesman for the country's armed forces, tweeted that Indian jets were turned away by the Pakistan air force after flying 3 to 4 miles into Pakistan.

He said the Indian planes dropped their payloads near Balakot, causing no damage to infrastructure or casualties. He also posted photos of toppled trees, craters and what appear to be bomb fragments. Residents in the area



RIAZ KHAN/AP

A Pakistani soldier stands guard Tuesday in the area where Indian jets bombed a town near Balakot, Pakistan.

said they heard aircraft hovering and five explosions before dawn.

"I heard the loud noise of aircraft followed by loud explosions in the surrounding area by the town," said Manzoor Hussain Shah, a resident of Balakot, who believes the ordnance landed in a nearby forest.

Local police said they were prevented by the army from accessing the area where the bombs landed.

Other witnesses said the bombs landed in Jabba, a sparsely populated town near Balakot.

"No one has been killed, no one has been seriously hurt. But we want to know, what have we done that we were attacked?" asked Tahir Khan, 45, of Jabba.

Prime Minister Khan held an emergency meeting with national security advisers and military and foreign affairs leaders after the raid.

Khan and his advisers said India's incursion was aimed at burnishing Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's popularity in the run-up to elections in the spring. They said they would eventually allow

journalists to visit the bombing site.

After the meeting, the Pakistani government said through its Twitter account that India "had committed an uncalled aggression to which Pakistan shall respond at the time and place of its choosing."

Tensions have been escalating since a vehicle laden with explosives slammed into a convoy of Indian security forces in Kashmir in the deadliest attack in the region in decades. India blamed Pakistan for harboring Jaish-e-Muhammad, which has carried out some of the bloodiest terrorist attacks against India. That sparked fear of a new conflict in the region, a terrifying prospect given that India and Pakistan collectively maintain 180 nuclear warheads, according to the Arms Control Association.

India's decision to characterize the attack as a precision strike designed to avoid civilian casualties, however, gives Pakistan room to respond in a more measured manner.

Associated Press contributed.

U.S. disrupted Russian troll factory's internet during midterms

BY ELLEN NAKASHIMA
The Washington Post

The U.S. military blocked internet access to a Russian entity seeking to sow discord among Americans during the 2018 midterms, several U.S. officials said, a warning that the group's operations against the U.S. are not cost-free.

The strike on the Internet Research Agency in St. Petersburg, a company underwritten by an oligarch close to President Vladimir Putin, was part of the first

offensive cyber campaign against Russia designed to thwart attempts to interfere with a U.S. election, the officials said.

"They basically took the IRA offline," according to one individual familiar with the matter who, like others, spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss classified information. "They shut 'em down."

The operation marked the first muscle-flexing by U.S. Cyber Command, with intelligence from the National Security Agency,

under new authorities it was granted by President Donald Trump and Congress last year to bolster offensive capabilities.

Russia's tactics are evolving, and some analysts were skeptical of the deterrent value on either the Russian troll factory or on Putin, who, according to U.S. officials, ordered an "influence" campaign in 2016 to undermine faith in U.S. democracy. Officials have also assessed that the Internet Research Agency works on behalf of the Kremlin.

Cyber Command and the NSA declined to comment.

Disruption to Internet Research Agency networks took place as Americans went to the polls and a day or so afterward, as the votes were tallied, to prevent the Russians from mounting a disinformation campaign casting doubt on results, according to officials.

The blockage was so frustrating to the trolls that they complained to their system administrators about the disruption, the officials said.

The Internet Research Agency, according to federal prosecutors, is financed by Yevgeniy Prigozhin, a tycoon from St. Petersburg and an ally of Putin. Prigozhin, the Internet Research Agency and a company Prigozhin runs called Concord Management and Consulting, were among 16 Russian individuals and companies that a grand jury indicted a year ago as part of special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 election.

Another element of the Cyber Command campaign, first reported by the New York Times, involved "direct messaging" that targeted the trolls as well as hackers who work for the Russian military intelligence agency, the GRU. Using emails, pop-ups, text or direct messages, U.S. operatives beginning last October let the Russians know that their real names and online handles were known and they should not interfere in other nations' affairs, defense officials said.

NEWS BRIEFING

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Mother and adult daughter charged with killing 5 relatives

MORRISVILLE, Pa. — A mother and her adult daughter killed five of their close relatives, including three children, and were found “disoriented” after child welfare authorities arrived for a surprise visit to their trashed apartment outside Philadelphia, police and prosecutors said Tuesday.

Shana Decree, 45, and her daughter Dominique Decree, 19, were charged with five counts of homicide. The motive and how

the five family members died are unclear; their bodies were found Monday night.

The victims were Shana’s children, Naa’Irah Smith, 25, and Damon Decree Jr., 13; Shana Decree’s sister Jamilla Campbell, of Trenton, N.J.; and Campbell’s 9-year-old twin daughters, Imani and Erika Allen.

Police said Shana Decree told them that “everyone at the apartment wanted to die.”

Nigeria’s president declared clear winner of second term

KANO, Nigeria — Nigeria’s president was declared the clear winner of a second term in Africa’s largest democracy early Wednesday, after a campaign in which he urged voters to give him another chance to tackle gaping corruption, and an economy limping back from a rare recession.

While many frustrated Nigerians had said they wanted to give someone new a try, President

Muhammadu Buhari, a former military dictator, profited from his upright reputation.

Supporters began dancing in the streets of the capital, Abuja, on Tuesday night as vote counting stretched his lead to nearly 4 million votes over top opposition challenger Atiku Abubakar, a former vice president.

Buhari received 15.1 million votes. Abubakar received 11.2 million.

Ore. to become first in U.S. to impose rent control statewide

SALEM, Ore. — Oregon will become the first state in the nation to impose statewide mandatory rent control after lawmakers passed a measure that will establish protections for people in the increasingly competitive housing market.

The House approved the landmark bill 35-25 on Tuesday, over objections from Republicans who argued rent control will discourage investment and

do little to address the state’s affordable housing crisis.

The measure, which previously passed the Senate, will now head to Gov. Kate Brown, who has said she will sign it. The bill will take effect immediately.

Oregon has been struggling to provide housing for the tens of thousands of people arriving each year seeking employment and lower costs of living.



SID HASTINGS/AP

Clergy react Tuesday to the defeat of a proposal that would have allowed LGBT clergy and same-sex marriage within the United Methodist Church.

United Methodist delegates defeat bid to ease LGBT bans

ST. LOUIS — The United Methodist Church, America’s second-largest Protestant denomination, faces a likely surge in defections and acts of defiance after delegates at a crucial conference Tuesday rejected a move to ease the faith’s ban on same-sex marriage and ordination of LGBT clergy.

Some supporters of greater LGBT inclusion were in tears, while others vented their anger after delegates, on a 449-374 vote, defeated a proposal that would have let regional and local church bodies decide for themselves on gay-friendly policies.

The delegates then took up a competing measure, known as the Traditional Plan, that would tighten enforcement of the LGBT bans and encourage Methodists who oppose those policies to leave the church. It was approved by a vote of 438-384.

The Traditional Plan’s success was due to an alliance of conservatives from the U.S. and overseas. About 43 percent of the delegates are from abroad, mostly from Africa, and overwhelmingly support the LGBT bans.

An association of Methodist theological schools

warned that if the Traditional Plan passes, the church “will lose an entire generation of leaders in America.”

Formed in a merger in 1968, the United Methodist Church claims about 12.6 million members worldwide, including nearly 7 million in the U.S.

While other mainline Protestant denominations, such as the Episcopal and Presbyterian (U.S.A.) churches, have embraced gay-friendly practices, the Methodist church still bans them, though acts of defiance by pro-LGBT clergy have multiplied.

National Guard probing Rep. Kinzinger’s criticism

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin National Guard officials said Tuesday they’re looking into whether to punish an Illinois congressman who belongs to the Wisconsin detachment for publicly criticizing Gov. Tony Evers’ decision to withdraw troops from the U.S. southern border.

GOP Rep. Adam Kinzinger is an Air National Guard pilot with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Wisconsin law states that any commissioned officer who uses “contemptuous words against the president, the vice-president, members of Congress, the secretary of defense, the

secretary of a military department, the secretary of homeland security, or the (Wisconsin) governor or legislature ... shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.”

Kinzinger’s spokeswoman said such restrictions only apply to members while “on service.”

Australian Cardinal Pell faces hearing on jail term

MELBOURNE, Australia — The most senior Catholic cleric ever convicted of child sex abuse faces his first night in custody after a sentencing hearing for molesting two choirboys in a cathedral two decades ago.

Victoria state County Court jury unanimously convicted Cardinal George Pell in December of abusing the two 13-year-olds in 1996 weeks after becoming archbishop of Melbourne.

Pell wasn’t taken into custody immediately because he had surgery to have both knees replaced.

The judge continued Pell’s bail until his sentencing hearing Wednesday.

Pope Francis’ financial adviser and the Vatican’s economy minister faces a potential 50 years in prison. Pell’s convictions and details of his crimes had been suppressed by a court order until Tuesday.

In New York: A crowd marked the anniversary of the 1993 bombing at the old World Trade Center. A bell tolled at the Sept. 11 memorial plaza on Tuesday to mark the midday moment when a truck bomb exploded in an underground garage 26 years ago, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000.

Air quality: U.S. environmental regulators on Tuesday said they are leaving intact an air quality standard for power plant pollution that can worsen asthma in children, despite calls by health advocates for a tougher standard. The decision keeps a threshold for sulfur dioxide pollution the EPA set in 2010.

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EDITORIALS

4 crises confront Mayor Next — 1 for each city star

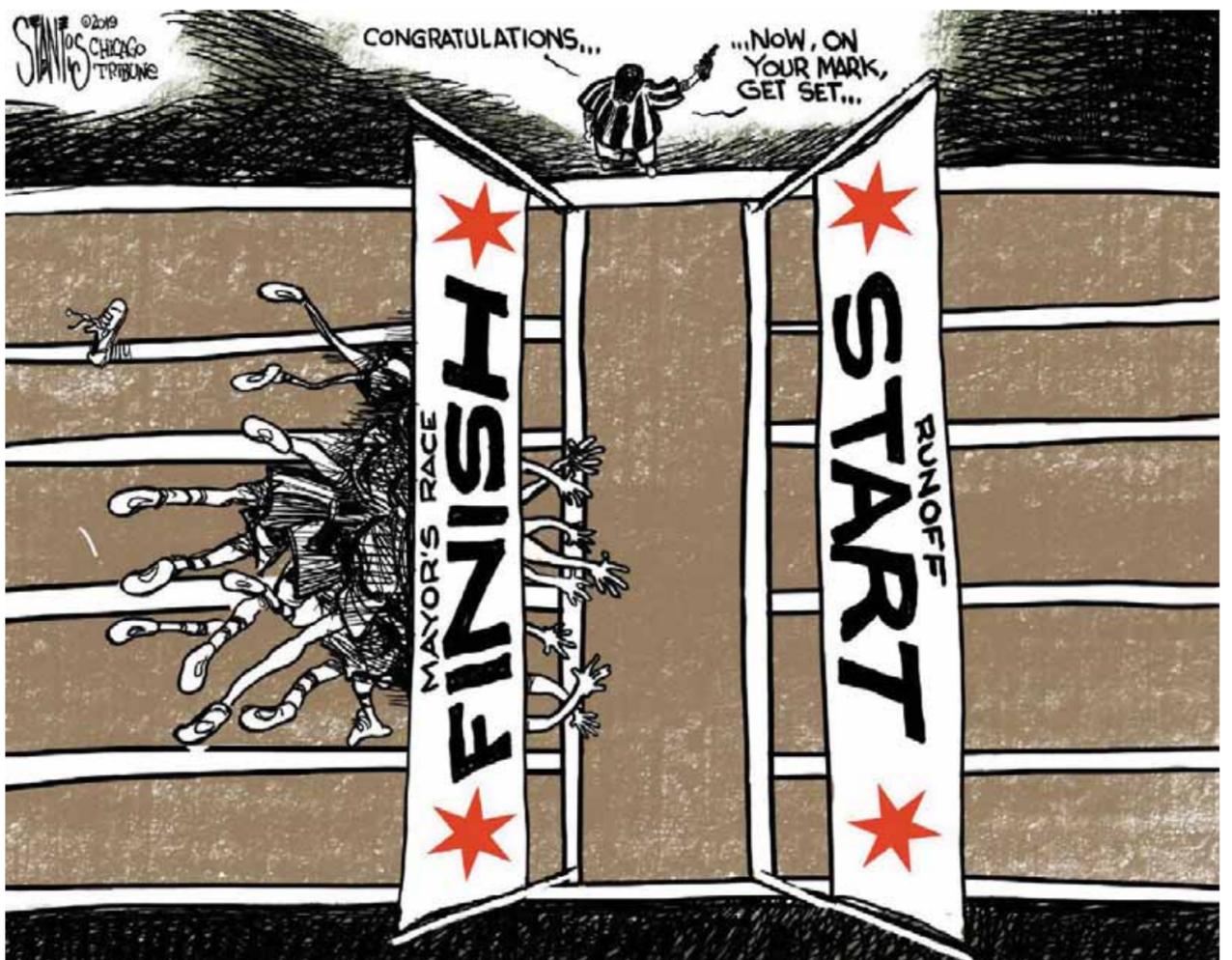
Live here for a month and you ought to know what the red stars on Chicago's flag commemorate: Fort Dearborn, the Great Fire of 1871 and those long-ago world's fairs. But we'll forgive the 45th mayor — the winner of the April 2 runoff between Lori Lightfoot and Toni Preckwinkle — if she lets each star be a pointed reminder of the four crises that await Mayor Next.

Crime and the exodus

If you watched their debates, you saw the mayoral candidates acknowledging a rising undercurrent — the perception that violent crime is a big reason why Chicago, alone among the nation's biggest cities, is hemorrhaging population. Citizens' anger about bloodshed on Chicago's streets is a bigger force vector in this campaign than it's been in the last three election cycles. Our belief is that a mayor who aggressively implements a new federal consent decree will be taking big steps to rebuild trust between the Chicago Police Department and residents who could do more to identify — and take off the streets — the outlaws who light up their neighborhoods. But whatever the fix or at least the improvement that the next mayor pledges to deliver, Chicagoans are impatient. Until the violence substantially diminishes, the exodus won't subside.

Simmering challenges at CPS

Three issues for Chicago Public Schools aren't getting the attention they deserve in this campaign. Most candidates didn't say much about the district's financial problems and the pension costs that crunch spending on classroom education. Fallout from CPS' sex abuse scandal also got short shrift. The district knows more about its employees' backgrounds since the Tribune's "Betrayed" series exposed the scandal. But CPS' previous inattention could lead to costly legal settlements. Also awaiting Mayor Next: A district losing students by the thousands has no use for much of its real estate empire.



SCOTT STANTIS

Think of it any way you wish — consolidating schools, closing schools, repurposing schools to new uses — Chicago taxpayers are maintaining and heating lots of half-empty buildings. Worse, the few students rattling around underpopulated schools don't have curricula as rich as Chicago's busier schools can justify. CPS' timidity about closing schools has empowered neighborhood groups to intensify their demands that no more schools close. And did we mention that the Chicago Teachers Union expects a big cave from City Hall during nego-

tiations on a new labor contract?

A corruption disruption?

We wish Chicagoans didn't have to rely on FBI agents and federal prosecutors to police City Hall. The feds' current investigation — featuring a wire-wearing alderman, the dean of the City Council accused of attempted extortion and the other four dozen aldermen murmuring "Who's next?" — will play out for months if not years. That gives the next mayor cover to demand disrup-

tive reforms: term limits, an end to aldermanic prerogative and greater oversight of council functions by the city's inspector general. Will the next mayor, and next council, make profound changes? Or will the mayor merely spin Chicagoans, giving them what Shakespeare in another context called "a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing?"

Always, the pensions

Chicagoans think they're overtaxed. Depending on who's in the

mayor's office and how much more spending new aldermen demand, all those perturbed taxpayers could face more of the same.

We can't say it too often: About six months after taking office, the next mayor has to find a new \$270 million so Chicago can make a required extra contribution to its underfunded pension system. By the mayor's fourth year in office, that annual pension upcharge will rise to nearly \$1 billion.

Makes you wonder why anybody wants this job, doesn't it?

Burke, no-shows and the Cubs: 3 takeaways from election night

Ed Burke survives. For now.

If you drove through the Southwest Side's 14th Ward on Election Day, you wouldn't know the alderman who has represented it for 50 years was facing the race of his life. Ald. Edward Burke's green campaign signs poked out of lawns and boulevards, some written in Spanish to reach the Hispanic base of the ward.

Facing one criminal charge of attempted extortion alleging he shook down a Burger King franchisee renovating a restaurant in his ward, Burke refused to get out of the race. Even with two opponents on the ballot, he still could win, he figured, or at least make the runoff. This is Chicago.

Early returns Tuesday night showed him beating his two opponents, civil engineer Tanya Patino and attorney Jaime Guzman. It was unclear whether he would top the 50 percent threshold to avoid the April runoff. Burke built a dynasty of loyalty that some political observers predicted would carry him across the finish line in spite of the fed-



GREGORY PRATT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Ald. Edward Burke greets voters in a church parking lot on Tuesday.

eral charge.

His corruption case appeared to hurt several mayoral candidates with close ties to him, including Illinois Comptroller Susana Mendoza and former Chicago school board chairman Gery Chico. Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle also got hit for her unflattering Burke connections.

The person not as affected by Burke's criminal case? Maybe

Burke.

Hello, anybody out there?

A question for Chicago's registered voters who skipped Tuesday's mayoral election: 14 candidates on the ballot and not one appealed to you? We're trying to phrase that neutrally, not in a guilt-inducing tone. But still ... where was everyone?

Tuesday night, the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners reported very low voter turnout, on pace for about 34 percent.

In 2007, when Mayor Richard M. Daley won his sixth and last term, just 33 percent of voters turned out. That was a record low for a Chicago general municipal election. The number popped up a tad to 34 percent in February 2015 when Mayor Rahm Emanuel sought his second term.

This time, with no incumbent and a wide-open field, Chicagoans had the chance to help put their stamp on the city, yet many punted. There are various theories, including feelings of apathy and cynicism over the state of Chicago politics. Some blamed confusion. With so many candidates to vet, why not wait for the anticipated runoff election, when choosing between two finalists will be easier? That logic runs the risk of defeating itself: All those who opted out of the first round may find they don't like either candidate in the runoff.

Still, no excuses, Chicagoans. If you missed this election, please participate next time. And if you did cast your ballot, thank you.

Cubs lose double-header

Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts and others connected to the team put money into two aldermanic races in the Wrigleyville area. In the 44th Ward, they supported Elizabeth Shydlowski, a challenger to incumbent Ald. Tom Tunney. In the 47th Ward, they supported Heather Way Kitzes, one of nine candidates (one for each position on the field?) seeking to fill an open seat.

The Cubs were frustrated with Tunney, who stood up to the Ricketts family on behalf of residents over Wrigley Field negotiations. We didn't see a problem with Tunney's pushback. In our endorsement of him, we wrote: *Constant give-and-take between the owner of an aggressively expanding business and the local alderman isn't a bad thing.* In the 47th Ward race, we endorsed Matt Martin.

The Cubs were hoping to bring that Friendly Confines feeling to the City Council, but early results showed Tunney and Martin well ahead. So much for "Let's play two."

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Imagine being responsible for the life or death of 55,000 dogs and cats every year. As the animal services manager for the city of Los Angeles, the desperate need of these animals and strategies to save them weighed on my mind every day. I was determined to end pet homelessness and the practice of euthanasia, the killing and disposal of our society's surplus companion animals.

Today, most cities and towns across the nation share this noble and ambitious goal. Achieving this requires robust community participation, and our cities desperately need

the support of an overlooked constituency — landlords.

A report issued by the Foundation for Interdisciplinary Research and Education Promoting Animal Welfare indicates that half of all rentals in the U.S. prohibit pets.

When coupled with 2016 census data, the research suggests that more than 41 million animals are left unadopted due to these policies, since a staggering 35 percent of tenants without pets would own one if permitted.

Furthermore, landlords reap huge financial rewards for embracing pet-friendly policies. For instance, tenants in

pet-friendly housing remain tenants 2½ times longer than those who live in rentals prohibiting pets. The vacancy rate for pet-friendly housing was meaningfully lower than the rate for "no pets allowed" rentals.

In a perfectly functioning market, where people make rational, profit-maximizing decisions, it makes good business sense to offer pet-friendly housing to renters willing to pay a premium to cover any extra costs to landlords.

Ed Boks, RealClearPolicy

Chicago Tribune

PERSPECTIVE



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Viggo Mortensen, left, and Mahershala Ali star in "Green Book." Some complain that the best picture Oscar winner follows a "white savior narrative."

The value of Oscar winner 'Green Book'



CLARENCE PAGE

I was watching the Oscars when a thought occurred to me: Why does Hollywood love interracial road trip movies?

Yes, I'm referring to — among others — "Green Book," this year's winner of the Oscar for best picture.

It stars Viggo Mortensen as Tony "Lip" Vallelonga, a blue-collar Italian-American bouncer from the Bronx, who takes on the unlikely job in 1962 of driving Donald Shirley, an African-American piano virtuoso of great renown played by Mahershala Ali, through a concert tour of the South during those last days of legal Jim Crow segregation in the South.

I was struck when I heard about the movie — and again after I saw it — by the similarities of its storyline to that of "Driving Miss Daisy," in which Morgan Freeman plays a chauffeur to Jessica Tandy's Daisy Werthan, an elderly Jewish widow living in segregated Atlanta.

I am not alone. At least one critic

called "Green Book," appropriately, "Driving Miss Daisy II." Each of the two movies is essentially a two-person comedy-drama about an interracial relationship that starts off shaky in conflicts between personal attitudes and Jim Crow conventions. Despite their differences, each of the two unlikely couples soon develop an unexpected bond while confronting racism and other threats.

Or, for that matter, how about similarities to the 1968 winner of the best picture Oscar, "In the Heat of the Night"? Sidney Poitier plays black Philadelphia police detective Virgil Tibbs, who is arrested on suspicion of murder by Bill Gillespie, played by Rod Steiger, the racist police chief of tiny Sparta, Miss. After Tibbs proves his innocence, Gillespie awkwardly persuades him to help track down the real killer. Before the end — spoiler alert — they become friends!

Yet these staples of Hollywood storytelling have brought heat down on "Green Book" and "Driving Miss Daisy," among others, for what often is called the "white savior narrative." That's a popular name in cinema circles for a storytelling trope in which a white character rescues people of color from whatever plight they happen to be suffering, but also learns something valuable in the process

about how we're really all the same, deep down.

That's why comparisons between "Green Book" and "Driving Miss Daisy" can light filmmaker Spike Lee's fuse. "Miss Daisy" took the best picture Oscar in 1990, the year he was edged out in the writing category for his controversial hit "Do the Right Thing," about tense racial relations in a Brooklyn neighborhood. "Every time somebody's driving somebody, I lose," quipped Spike at the post-Oscars news conference. Lee finally received his long-awaited Oscar on Sunday, although it was for his adapted screenplay for "BlacKkKlansman," not for best picture. That revelation sent Spike out of his seat and toward one of the exits, although he soon returned. "I thought I was court-side at the (Madison Square) Garden," he said later. "The ref made a bad call."

That's showbiz. Those who complain about such formulaic works as "Daisy" remind me of the reception that greeted the now-classic "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner." Starring Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn and a young Poitier, it was the first major movie at the time to depict an interracial marriage in a positive light.

Yet I remember how fashionable it was among members of my generation of students to ridicule the film as sadly

dated, overly sentimental and downright corny. The filmmakers had made Poitier's character, in particular, so brilliant and accomplished it was hard for us youngsters to imagine any parents of any color rejecting him. For what? His shoes were too polished?

But I also remember some good advice I received from a wise reporter who had specialized in civil rights and women's rights issues. She advised me to appreciate such movies the way she did: as windows for most mainstream Americans to see a world outside their own. "You'd be surprised how many people never see interracial couples," she said. "A lot of white people don't see young black professionals in suits and ties. Movies can be a first step."

Indeed, that's the reason why interracial road trip movies are so popular. The entertainment value comes from seeing how a tense relationship can be transformed into a friendship, even across racial and cultural lines. Even if it's only on a movie screen, we like to see the world as we hope it can be — and maybe will be.

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'Deference' — how much of it will the courts show Trump?

BY NOAH FELDMAN

One word holds the key to the major Trump-related court cases that you'll be hearing a lot about in the next few months: deference.

In the lawsuits against President Donald Trump's border wall, and in the U.S. Supreme Court case over whether the census will include a question about citizenship, a central issue will be whether the courts should defer to the assertions that the Trump administration says provide a basis for the decisions it has taken.

If the judges choose deference to the executive branch, that will mean wins for Trump. If, however, the judges trust their own judgment, expect Trump to lose.

The basic idea of judicial deference is that, when it comes to some situations, judges shouldn't make their own assessment of the facts or the law, but instead yield to the assessment made by someone else, usually an actor from within the executive branch.

The concept of judicial deference is slightly weird in a legal system devoted to the idea that, in the words of Chief Justice John Marshall, "it is emphatically the province and duty of the judiciary to say what the law is." According to this dictum, which dates to the seminal 1803 case of *Marbury v. Madison*, courts have to decide legal issues, not duck them.

Consequently, courts have to give reasons when they choose to defer.

Sometimes the reason is that Congress has directed the deference, either expressly or implicitly. But it's exceedingly rare that Congress directs judicial deference in so many words.

More often, courts defer because they want to defer. Judges say that the executive will do a better job of deciding certain things, or that they want to show respect for the constitutional prerogatives of the executive, or occasionally that they can't do



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President Donald Trump is facing a legal fight over his plans to build a border wall.

a good job of exploring the fact themselves.

The important thing to know about these rationales for deference is that they are makeweights: easy excuses for judges to avoid hard decisions or to find a way to reach unpalatable outcomes. When judges want to decide something without deference, they nearly always find a way.

Consider, for example, the wall-related cases. Deference will come up first when the challengers say that there is no national emergency that requires the president to divert money to build a wall along the border with Mexico.

Justice Department lawyers will answer that the courts should defer to the president about whether there is an emergency. The national emergencies law, they will point out, doesn't specify the criteria the president must use. Therefore, they will conclude, the law must mean to give the president wide discretion to decide if there is an emergency or not.

Deference will next come up in the wall

cases when the challengers assert that the wall isn't a defense measure, as Trump has claimed in order to invoke a statute that allows presidents to reallocate defense appropriations for certain emergency purposes.

Trump's lawyers will say that the executive as commander in chief is in charge of defense, and therefore the courts should defer to his judgment about whether the military and the wall are needed at the border.

In both parts of the argument, the courts could refuse to defer on the ground that Trump has so baldly flouted federal law as to forfeit any deference. Then the courts could find that there is no emergency at the border and no defense connection.

Yet it is also possible that a court seeking to uphold the wall spending could avoid the embarrassment of saying that the emergency is real and wall related to national defense by simply saying it was deferring to the executive.

In the census case, a federal district court already refused to defer to Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross' explanation for why he wants to add a citizenship question to the census questionnaire. Instead, the court held that Ross had given a false, "pretextual" reason for the decision, thus violating the Administrative Procedure Act.

It would be hard for the Supreme Court to reverse the lower court's factual findings. But the conservative justices could hold that the court should have deferred to the commerce secretary's stated explanation rather than trying to look behind the statement and into the actual decision-making process.

If this talk of deference is giving you some "Russian doll"-style déjà vu about Trump and deference, it isn't something you smoked. In the first marquee Supreme Court case of the Trump administration, the challenge to the ban on people entering the U.S. from a group of majority Muslim countries, deference ended up playing a decisive role.

The court's majority didn't want to deal with the extensive evidence that Trump was motivated by anti-Muslim bias.

So it said that because the president was acting in the realm of immigration, where Congress has given him lots of power, the court would defer to his official explanation for the ban. That saved the court from having to consider the president's tweets and statements that made the bias clear.

Here's hoping Chief Justice John Roberts now regrets using deference to give Trump cover to violate the Constitution. The time for deference is over.

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PERSPECTIVE



LINH PHAM/GETTY

People wait for President Donald Trump's motorcade near the JW Marriott Hotel Hanoi where Trump will stay during his Vietnam visit.

Trump is right to take a hard line with North Korea, Iran and Venezuela

BY MARK S. KIRK

This week, the Vietnamese capital of Hanoi will serve as the backdrop for President Donald Trump's anticipated second meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. Observers have speculated that the talks will center on denuclearizing the Korean Peninsula — which Trump has repeatedly called for since his first visit with Kim.

As the president deals with Kim, he understands that North Korea cannot be viewed in a vacuum. He must also consider the repressive, theocratic regime in Iran — especially in the context of successful actions he has taken against the dictatorship of Nicolas Maduro in Venezuela.

In his first address to the United Nations General Assembly in September 2017, Trump rightly named North Korea, Iran and Venezuela as a feckless trio of rogue regimes that are global agents of destruction, disruption and division. And now, these dictatorships are watching closely the strength United States projects diplomatically.

I am hopeful that Trump will use his recent momentum from Venezuela to demonstrate strength and resolve to North Korea and Iran's regimes.

The Trump administration's leadership in recognizing Juan Guaido as the interim president of Venezuela was a strong move that has now garnered international support from dozens of countries across the world. The action comes on the heels of the Trump administration's two-year geopolitical pressure campaign targeting the socialist dictator Maduro's economic power and sanctioning countless individuals. Coupled with the nearly \$100 million for the humanitarian crisis and \$20 million in direct aid, this has handcuffed

Trump's widely praised efforts in Venezuela will put the United States in a strong position to deal with Iran's illicit behavior.

Maduro's ambitions and will hopefully lead Venezuela out of the "worst human rights crisis in its history."

Trump's widely praised efforts in Venezuela will put the United States in a strong position to deal with Iran's illicit behavior. As of late 2018, it was reported that Venezuela, one of Tehran's important strategic allies, would be accepting Iranian warships to Venezuelan waters. This development, certain to disturb already tumultuous relations among the United States, Iran and Venezuela, underscores Trump's remarks that these countries share a dangerous alliance that threatens American security interests. Likewise, it will thwart Iran's desire to establish a beachhead in Venezuela given Caracas' relationship with Hezbollah. Venezuela's former vice president and current minister of industries, Tareck El Aissami, allegedly sought to establish ties between Iran's proxy, Hezbollah, and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) to work in Venezuela.

Iran must capitulate and cease all of its nuclear weapon development, its illicit missile program and its global financial support for terrorism. These core demands must be the end objectives of a diplomatic strategy based in strength and resolve targeting the Iranian government. Any action that threatens Iran's clear and present nuclear ambitions and illicit mis-

sile weapons launches will certainly inform Chairman Kim's strategy as well.

Decades of documentation suggest that North Korea and Iran have worked together to further their military ties and missile technologies — from the comparisons between Iran's Shahab 3 and North Korea's Nodong missiles, to Iran's "\$100 million deal with North Korea for nuclear training and know-how and missile technology."

It must be remembered that even though North Korea hasn't launched a test missile since 2017, Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps has threatened European countries through test-launching ballistic missiles capable of reaching just under 2,500 miles. Experts believe the ballistic missiles were built from North Korean technology.

With momentum on Trump's side, now is the time to strike and take a hard line, diplomatically and economically, against the Iranian and North Korean regimes. There is no better opportunity for the Trump administration to govern from a position of strength and sideline Iran's nuclear dreams by effectively attacking all three rogue regimes through a comprehensive strategy that puts the security interests of the American people first.

A diplomatic strategy that pressures the rogue regimes of North Korea and Iran founded on our growing and prosperous economy and demonstrated strength on the world stage will enhance America's and the world's security. I hope Trump and his diplomatic team use this opportunity to claim even more victories for peace against the trio of regimes who regularly oppress their people.

Mark S. Kirk, a former U.S. senator from Illinois, is a senior adviser at United Against Nuclear Iran.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Pension fix: Change the Illinois Constitution

So much that is wrong in this state starts and ends with the public pension issue. Roads and bridges are falling apart because funding is not available due to pension obligations. Chicago can't or won't hire detectives because it can't afford more police because of pension obligations. This state has so much to do that cannot be done because we owe so much to people who are no longer working. Yet the one fix that would solve this issue was not mentioned by Gov. J.B. Pritzker even once in his budget address: a constitutional amendment to the Illinois Constitution that would strike the pension clause.

— Brian Varley, Elgin

Pension fix: Smart legislators

The Feb. 17 Tribune editorial ("Look out, taxpayers: When governments have more pensioners than employees") warns property taxpayers about the high cost of funding public employee pensions, and supports amending the Illinois Constitution's public pension clause that states such "benefits ... shall not be diminished or impaired." The Illinois Supreme Court in recent decisions has essentially stated that the pension protection clause means what it says.

The editorial claims amending the pension clause "would allow the legislature to protect benefits already earned but modify benefits going forward." But then the editorial points out that the Illinois legislature, effective Jan. 1, 2011, did exactly that for state employees hired after Jan. 1, 2011. That change occurred under the current, unamended constitutional pension protection clause.

So, why is it necessary to amend the pension clause?

The public pension financial black hole has but one cause — legislative bodies, whether they be the Illinois General Assembly, Cook County Board of Commissioners, Chicago City Council, etc., which passed the laws that created the pension mess.

The real problem for the next 20 to 30 years is funding public pension benefits for employees who have retired or who are vested in an "old" pension system. Their benefits cannot be lessened by amending the constitution. The relevant legislative body may offer, but not unilaterally demand, a "buyout" or other options to such pensioners or vested employees. Or it can keep raising taxes, increase current employees' pension contributions or cut other spending and use the savings to fund pensions.

Although it is probably too late to do anything to greatly reduce the pension liabilities created in the past by legislative bodies, voters need to elect to legislative bodies responsible people who will not bankrupt the state, county and city but, rather, will create fiscally sound public employee pension systems. Amending the constitution is not the answer; rather, the voters holding legislators responsible is.

— Dennis M. Dohm, Retired circuit court judge, Oak Lawn

\$15 minimum feeds madness

I can't speak for the fat cat business owners in Chicagoland, but for those of us south of Interstate 80 who have to live and work and run real businesses in this state of Illinois madness, let me tell you: A \$15 minimum wage is absolutely insane and demonstrates the out-of-touch policies of the governor and speaker of the House.

Indiana looks better and better every day.

— K. Cooley, St. Joseph, Ill.

Guard against reporting bias

Here is the problem with Mary Schmich's analysis of the alleged Jussie Smollett hoax ("One lesson from the Smollett investigation," Feb. 20): The first news accounts stick more than the follow-up. The Covington Catholic High School kids wearing MAGA hats were assumed to be racist, and now they are fighting in courts to get back their reputations. The truth is the left-wing media wanted to believe Smollett's tale as it backed up their view of Trump supporters. They also liked the Covington kids story for the same reason. Can we please get Schmich's type of analysis the first day of the story? Media are supposed to report both sides of the story; it's not supposed to be a narrative.

— Ken Nelson, Chicago

Benefits of GOP tax cuts

I want to thank the Trump administration for reducing my taxes. I did not change my withholding in 2018 and had an increase in my refund of a thousand dollars. My son experienced similar results. Everybody's tax situation is different. I wrote this letter to present a positive side to the GOP tax cuts. All I read are negative comments

— John Sawilchik, Palos Heights

Let's fight for universal child care

BY KATRINA VANDEN HEUVEL

A few weeks ago, Nation columnist Katha Pollitt wrote a compelling New York Times piece endorsing "day care for all." Noting that child care is "one of the biggest costs a family faces," often surpassing even college tuition, Pollitt argued that a lack of affordable child care is a problem on par with challenges that receive far more attention from leading progressives. "So why isn't it on the front burner of the revitalized left?" she asked.

The question turned out to be prescient. Last week, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., unveiled her proposal for universal child care in the United States. While other candidates have discussed the need for affordable child care — and it was one of Hillary Clinton's priorities in 2016 — Warren's plan is clearly the most ambitious proposal to date. It would establish a network of federally funded, locally run child care centers across the nation. Enrollment would be completely free for millions of children and affordable for all, with the total cost per family capped at 7 percent of a family's income, no matter the number of kids.

The centers would be staffed by qualified care providers, who would be paid similarly to teachers. Access would be guaranteed, but families with the means to choose other options would be free to do so. And it would be fully paid for with revenue from the wealth tax Warren has called for on households with a net worth greater than \$50 million.

Warren's proposal should spark an overdue and necessary conversation about a problem that leaders in both parties have long neglected. More than half of Americans now live in child care "deserts," according to the Center for American Progress, including significant majorities of rural and Latino families.



JOHN LOCHER/AP

Presidential candidate Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., proposed a universal child care plan for the U.S.

Compared with the rest of the world, the United States spends pathetically little on family benefits, ranking second-to-last among developed nations. "This dearth of family benefits leads to two cruel outcomes," writes Matt Bruenig, whose People's Policy Project recently published its own set of ideas for addressing the child care crisis. "It denies many people the ability to have the families that they want and inflicts financial ruin on many of those who go through with parenthood despite the lack of social support."

Women especially suffer the consequences of this neglect, often sacrificing their careers and other opportunities to pick up the slack. Yet while it is fitting that universal child care would gain traction at a time when women are playing an increasingly vital role in the national debate, Warren's proposal would not only improve the lives of women or even parents. Its impact would also ripple outward, benefiting all Americans. In fact, Moody's Analytics chief economist Mark Zandi estimates that Warren's plan would generate twice as much growth per year over a

decade as Trump's corporate tax cut at less than half the cost — and that's if the \$1.5 trillion in tax cuts were paid for, which of course they were not. So, in addition to proposing good family policy, Warren is offering a boost to the economy that deserves to be covered and debated accordingly.

Predictably, Warren's idea has been lambasted on the right as "socialism" and even as a sinister ploy to increase immigration. But the United States has experimented with universal child care before with great success. In the 1940s, when millions of women joined the workforce to support the war effort, the government temporarily offered subsidized child care through a law known as the Lanham Act. The program was hugely popular and, studies later showed, effective. Not only did it empower more women to work, but also the children who participated went on to see increased high school and college graduation rates, better employment prospects and higher earnings. Years later, Congress passed bipartisan legislation to establish a national child care system, but President Richard Nixon vetoed the bill, warning that it would create "a new army of bureaucrats" and condemning its "family-weakening implications."

"I think when we ran the sword through (child care) in '71," Nixon adviser Pat Buchanan boasted in 2014, "it may have killed it for more than half a century." Now that it's alive again as a serious policy goal, let's fight for universal child care. It's good for the economy, it's consistent with our values, and its time has come.

The Washington Post

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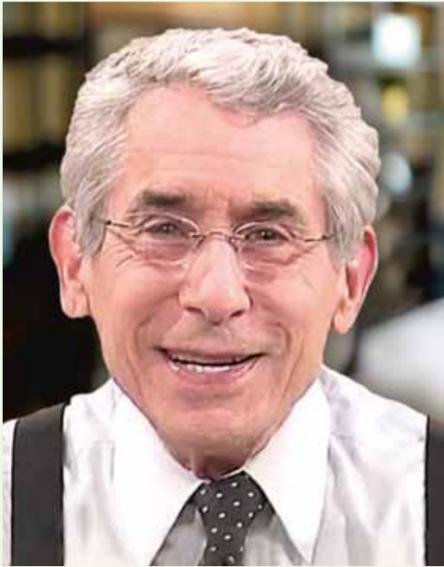
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Cuts coming to Belvidere Jeep plant

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**
Chicago Tribune

Fiat Chrysler is laying off 1,371 workers at its Belvidere Assembly Plant, effective on May 2, because of slowing demand for the Jeep Cherokee.

Workers were notified Tuesday that the plant near Rockford, which currently operates with 5,300 employees working the equivalent of three shifts, will scale back to a traditional two-shift schedule on May 6.

"We are aligning production with global demand," Jodi Tinson, a spokeswoman for Fiat Chrysler, said Tuesday.

In addition to the affected workers, Fiat Chrysler notified the state of Illinois, the city of Belvidere and the United Auto Workers of the planned layoffs Tuesday.

The announcement came the same day that Fiat Chrysler, the third-largest U.S. automaker, said it would invest \$4.5 billion and create 6,500 jobs at five plants in Michigan to produce a new three-row SUV and a next-generation Grand Cherokee.

The moves are part of a continuing restructuring at Fiat Chrysler, begun under then-CEO Sergio Marchionne, to focus on more lucrative trucks and SUVs.

The Belvidere plant has been the exclusive home for the Jeep Cherokee since June 2017, when production moved from Toledo, Ohio.

Production was ostensibly humming along last year at Belvidere, which churned out nearly 220,000 vehicles through September — topping the 204,000 Jeep Cherokees built in all of 2017.

But Fiat Chrysler projected a softer market this year for the Cherokee, Tinson said. "Demand for Cherokee in the global marketplace is softening," she said. "As Belvidere is the sole production location for Cherokee, it is feeling the impact."

When Fiat Chrysler announced in July 2016 that it was moving production of the Cherokee from Toledo to Belvidere, there were about 4,500 employees at the plant.

Fiat Chrysler said it would "make every effort to place indefinitely laid off hourly employees in open full-time positions as they become available based on seniority."

Boeing adds Haley, former U.N. Ambassador

By **AARON GREGG**
The Washington Post

Boeing announced Tuesday that it has nominated former U.N. ambassador and South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley to its board of directors, where she is expected to help guide the company in a global aerospace market where it competes fiercely with its European rival Airbus.

Her appointment is subject to approval at the Chicago-based jet manufacturer's next annual shareholder meeting April 29.

"Not only is Boeing the largest aerospace company in the world and America's biggest exporter, it also understands the importance of teamwork and building community through its network of suppliers in all 50 states and around the world," Haley said in a news release.



Haley

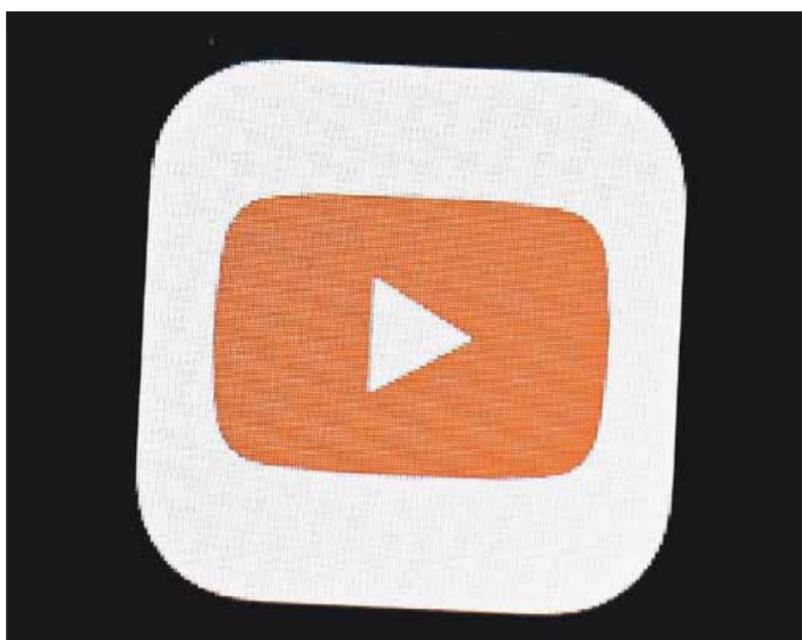
Haley, 47, was the first female governor of South Carolina, serving three terms from 2011 to 2017. She was appointed U.N. ambassador by President Donald Trump in January 2017 and served until December, 2018, when she resigned.

For Boeing, a government contractor that benefits from billions of dollars every year in U.S. military supply contracts, Haley's board appointment is the latest example of the company's close ties to government.

Acting U.S. Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan is a former senior vice president in Boeing's commercial division. And the company has long been a favored landing place for outgoing government officials; the watchdog group Project on Government Oversight reported late last year that Boeing had hired 19 former high-level military officials.

"Boeing will benefit greatly from (Haley's) broad perspectives and combined diplomatic, government and business experience to help achieve our aspiration to be the best in aerospace and a global industrial champion," Chief Executive Dennis Muilenburg said in a release.

She joins Boeing at a time when it is trying to scale up its U.S. military business and also must navigate an increasingly complex global trade environment.



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YouTube might like to 'rewind'

Video-sharing network walks a fine line trying to satisfy its creators, advertisers

By **RACHEL LERMAN** | Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — YouTube's year-in-review video is usually a celebration of video creators who upload free clips — sometimes wacky, sometimes personal, sometimes offensive — that the company then sells ads against. But this time, the video-sharing network provoked a backlash from creators and viewers with "Rewind 2018," which sidelined many prominent YouTubers in favor of mainstream celebrities and an inclusive, feel-good message.

The snubbed YouTubers and their fans quickly retaliated with a passive-aggressive but potent protest. Within a week, "Rewind 2018" was the most unpopular video on the service, now with more than 15 million dislikes. So intense was the dissent that YouTube CEO Susan Wojcicki sort-of apologized and reached out directly to at least one neglected YouTuber.

The outcry highlights the challenges YouTube faces as it

tries to navigate the tension between creators who make the videos, some of them controversial, and the advertisers who fuel profits.

YouTube is an increasingly important business for parent company Google. Although Google doesn't break out YouTube revenue, the research firm eMarketer estimates that YouTube ad revenue grew to \$9.5

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CEOs from pharmaceutical companies AbbVie, from left, AstraZeneca, Bristol Myers Squibb, Johnson & Johnson, Merck & Co., Pfizer and Sanofi wait to testify before the Senate Finance Committee hearing on Tuesday.

Drug company execs called to account

Senators chastise CEOs for rising cost of prescription drugs

By **RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR AND MATTHEW PERRONE**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Drawing from their personal experiences, senators on Tuesday chastised drug company executives over the high cost of prescription drugs, as the company officials cautioned that heavy-handed congressional action could jeopardize medical breakthroughs going forward.

Tuesday's Senate Finance Committee hearing marked the first time lawmakers have called the industry's top executives to account for rising prices, which are a drain on Medicare and Medicaid and a burden to millions of Americans. The public accounting was a sign that Congress and the White House are moving toward legislation this year to curb costs.

Sen. Johnny Isakson, R-Ga., who has Parkinson's, said the cost of one of his longtime medications had jumped by \$90 when he went to refill it recently. "I can't explain it," said Isakson, who credited prescription drugs for allowing him to keep working.

Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said Congress intends to respond to the drug price problem in a "measured and effective way," while New Jersey Democrat Bob Menendez, considered an ally of the industry, issued what he called "a friendly warning."

"It's time to be proactive," Menendez said. "Because if you don't undertake

meaningful action to reduce pharmaceutical costs, policymakers are going to do it for you."

The CEOs said drug development is a risky and costly undertaking and that prices reflect investment in research and development.

Merck CEO Kenneth Frazier warned that "outrageous solutions" to drug costs could sacrifice industry innovation. It's a longstanding industry argument used to defend prices on everything from high-tech cancer drugs to diabetes medicines.

Sanofi CEO Olivier Brandicourt said using government "price controls" would not be enough to make medicines affordable for patients.

Sen. John Cronyn, R-Texas, expressed disbelief that drugmaker AbbVie maintains more than 130 patents on Humira, a medication to treat rheumatoid arthritis and other diseases linked to immune system problems. That could ward off generic competition for decades, he said.

"At some point that patent has to end so that the patient can get access to that drug at much cheaper cost," Cronyn said.

Drug costs are squeezing Americans in a number of ways: New medicines for cancer and other diseases often launch with prices exceeding \$100,000 per year even as employers are shifting more costs onto workers.

Democrats say it's time for Medicare to leverage its purchasing power and directly negotiate prices with the industry, a step most Republicans oppose.

Two-level food hall coming to 'Big Red'



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

DMK Restaurants plans a huge food hall in the former headquarters of CNA Financial, part of a major redevelopment of Chicago's distinctive red skyscraper.

By early fall, the restaurant group behind such concepts as Ada Street and DMK Burger bar will open a two-level, 30,000-square-foot venue in the 45-story tower, making it among the largest in a growing list of Chicago food halls.

Called Hayden Hall, it will have more than a dozen food vendors curated by DMK's David Morton and Michael Kornick, the company said. The venture, the first by DMK, is a partnership with Chicago developer John Buck Co.

The real estate firm is in the process of redeveloping the office tower at 333 S. Wabash Ave., formerly the CNA headquarters, which the insurer left last year for a new tower that John Buck built in the Loop.

Hayden Hall will stand out because of its size — it's larger than most of its Chicago competitors, including the 24,000-square-foot Revival Food Hall in the Loop — and its format, Morton said.

Like others, Hayden Hall will feature food stations surrounding a communal seating area. Unlike most, it also will include pickup and delivery options as well as full-service, sit-down dining, Morton said.

Hayden Hall also will try to differentiate itself by serving all three meals and post-work drinks. It will include bars and restaurants from DMK and other vendors, said Morton, who declined to identify other concepts or vendors planned for the space.

"We were excited by the opportunity to solve what we think is a problem with food halls," Morton said. "Is it possible to make a food hall experience in demand for all day and night, as opposed to mostly having an orientation toward lunch? We were keenly interested in that, and (John Buck) shared our excitement in developing that thinking."

Northern Trust Corp. leased 462,000 square feet of CNA's former space in the building, the Tribune reported in August 2017. The deal includes naming and signage rights, and Northern Trust will move in next year.

John Buck also is adding amenities, including a renovated lobby that will include Hayden Hall's entrance and a second location of the company's Werewolf Coffee Bar. The food hall also will occupy the entire second floor.

In addition to Ada Street and DMK Burger Bar, DMK's other concepts include Fish Bar, Fort Willow and Marshall's Landing in the Merchandise Mart.

DMK also will schedule meetings and private events in the space, as well as providing programming such as cooking demonstrations and speakers, Morton said.

DMK's plans come amid explosive growth of food halls in Chicago and other large cities. In the Fulton Market district alone, there are three food halls in the works.

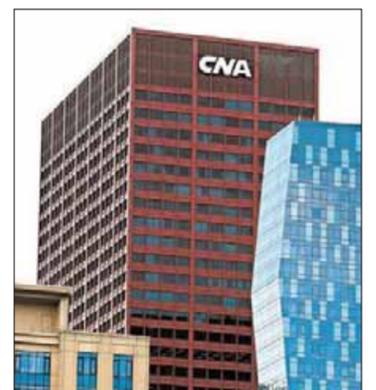
Morton downplayed any fears of there being too many food halls chasing diners.

"There's a huge appetite in real estate to be able to offer this kind of experience to tenants," Morton said. "What really attracted us was the nature of the real estate itself, specifically the location. We think the South Loop is underserved."

Unlike food courts found in shopping malls and airports, food halls typically feature smaller local restaurants and chefs.

Formats can include several concepts from one operator — such as Eatly, Latinicity and Brendan Sodikoff's recently opened Aster Hall — or stations from a variety of vendors.

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DMK and other vendors will open in the office tower on Wabash Avenue in the fall.



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Huawei executive Guo Ping pokes fun at the U.S. during a speech Tuesday in Spain.

U.S. suffers setbacks in push to ban Chinese firm Huawei

By **KELVIN CHAN**
Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain — The U.S. government's fight to ban Chinese tech giant Huawei from next-generation internet networks appears to be flagging.

The two sides faced off Tuesday at the world's biggest mobile technology trade fair, in Barcelona, where they sought to win over customers and governments.

The U.S. argues Huawei is a security risk as it could give the Chinese government backdoor access to snoop on internet users worldwide. Huawei rejects the claim, which it says is part of the United States' broader effort to stifle China's economic and technological ascent.

On Tuesday, a top Huawei executive used a keynote speech at the show, called MWC Barcelona, to poke fun at U.S. intelligence.

"PRISM, PRISM, on the wall, who is the most trustworthy of them all?" said Guo Ping, Huawei's rotating chairman, in a reference to a U.S. data gathering program.

"If you don't understand that, you can go ask Edward Snowden," he told the audience, referring to the

former National Security Agency contractor who exposed the program in 2013.

Under the PRISM program, the NSA, pursuant to secret court orders, collected intelligence about foreign threats through U.S. internet companies.

In raising the U.S. government's history of snooping on citizens, Guo appeared to seek to portray the United States as hypocritical in accusing the Chinese of being a risk for users' data privacy.

Guo is the world's biggest maker of networking equipment used by phone and internet companies, and its gear is considered by experts as affordable and high quality.

Banning the company from supplying the networks — work that is ongoing in many countries this year — could delay the rollout of 5G networks, which are meant to power the next generation of technological innovation, from self-driving cars to remote surgery.

Huawei made its presence felt at the four-day conference in Barcelona, where some 100,000 visitors are expected and the company's red logo featured widely. It unveiled a new foldable phone that made headlines and turned attention to a product that's

not facing any global controversy.

The U.S. government also dispatched a delegation to lobby its case, which it has pressed with allies across the world in recent weeks.

"The global nature of data flows and interconnectedness means that threats to U.S. networks have a direct bearing on the security of our allies, just as threats to our allies' networks have a direct bearing on the security of the United States," said Robert Strayer, the top U.S. diplomat for cybersecurity policy.

Strayer did not detail specific security threats Huawei poses, despite being asked by reporters to do so in a news briefing on the show's sidelines.

The U.S. campaign took a symbolic hit after the United Arab Emirates, a key ally in the Middle East, said it would use Huawei in its networks. And European allies are balking at banning the company outright.

The U.S. Embassy in Abu Dhabi did not respond to a request for comment on the Huawei deal. The UAE hosts some 5,000 American troops. Dubai also is the busiest port of call for the U.S. Navy outside of the United States.

China's newest policy against gender bias has fans, sceptics

By **YANAN WANG**
AND **SHANSHAN WANG**
Associated Press

BELJING — China has announced new measures against gender discrimination in Chinese workplaces that forbid employers from asking potential female hires questions such as if they are married or have children.

At some companies in China, the answers to these questions can be disqualifying. Other firms are explicit in their job postings that they are looking only for men.

Many welcomed the government notice, published Thursday, which forbids companies and recruitment agencies from taking certain discriminatory actions against female employees and job candidates. But female workers and analysts alike were skeptical that such measures could be strictly enforced.

"A notice is better than nothing," said Li Yinhe, a prominent Chinese sociologist on sex and family issues.

"Although (the notice) might not be that useful in practice, at least it states the issues in explicit terms," Li said. "Companies won't be as blatant as they were before."

While gender discrimination in hiring is already banned by Chinese labor laws, the notice appears to target specific behaviors that have made news in recent years. Last April, Human Rights Watch published a report that revealed that Chinese job advertisements were rife with gender discrimination.

Human Rights Watch found several postings that said "men only," "men preferred," or "suitable for men." In other cases, the company preferred female applicants to be married with children.

Thursday's notice on



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A group of female job-seekers chat in front of a billboard displaying recruitment leaflets at a labor market in Qingdao in east China's Shandong province.

"Although (the notice) might not be that useful in practice, at least it states the issues in explicit terms."

— *Li Yinhe, a Chinese sociologist*

"promoting women's employment" was published jointly by several ministries, including the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security. It said companies that post discriminatory job ads can be fined up to 50,000 yuan (\$7,440).

The notice also forbids companies from including pregnancy tests in medical examinations required for employment, and bans employers from placing restrictions on whether a woman can have children as a condition of hiring.

China officially abandoned its decades-old one-child policy in 2016, allowing all Chinese couples to have two children. But the

government has struggled to convince people to do so. In 2018, the number of births fell by 2 million compared to 2017.

The new measures against gender discrimination call for promoting childcare services for kids under 3 years old, as well as after-school services to ease the burden on parents and help women better balance career and family.

Li Xia, a 28-year-old fitness instructor in Beijing, said she would inform an employer of her personal plans without them having to ask.

"If you hide it at first, they may hire you, but they will find out soon enough," she said.

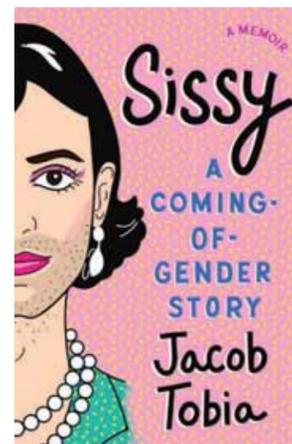
Chinese women rights advocates saw the notice as a sign that the government is in fact listening to their concerns. Zhou Xiaoxuan, a 25-year-old screenwriter who has accused a prominent CCTV host of assaulting her while she was interning at the state broadcaster, said the new measures signal progress.

"On the whole," she said, "this policy has given us great motivation. (It shows us) that women's expressions of personal will are not meaningless."

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Macy's department store chain reported fourth-quarter results Feb. 26 that beat Wall Street expectations.

Macy's restructuring to save \$100M annually

Retailer battling online shift despite reinvention efforts

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Macy's announced a multiyear money-saving restructuring program that it says will shrink its management structure and make the department store more nimble in a fiercely competitive environment.

The plan, unveiled Tuesday, would result in annual cost savings of \$100 million and include the elimination of 100 vice president positions.

The latest moves to shrink the business come as the department store chain reported a drop in profits and total sales during the critical fourth quarter as well as meager growth in sales at established stores, a key measure for a retailer's health. The company's results only beat Wall Street expectations because they were lowered after the department store chain announced sluggish holiday sales last month. It also forecast Tuesday that sales at stores opened at least a year would be anywhere from unchanged to up 1

percent for the current fiscal year.

A strong economy and Macy's reinvention efforts have helped produce a string of quarterly increases at established stores after a three-year sales slump. But that momentum is fizzling.

Macy's as well as several other department stores struggled through the holiday season after a strong start. That called into question whether such mall-based chains can compete in a changing landscape where shoppers are shifting more of their spending online. It also is putting pressure on Macy's and others that they need to do more to compete in the age of Amazon.

"The problem for Macy's is that if it cannot deliver a strong set of numbers against the backdrop of a good consumer economy, its fortunes for the upcoming year — when economic growth will cool — do not look good," said Neil Saunders, managing director of GlobalData Retail, in a report. "In our view, this underlines the fact that Macy's has still not successfully created a true destination status and has still not got to grips with many of the issues

plaguing its stores."

Macy's, like many other mall-based stores, is under pressure to reinvent itself as shoppers increasingly buy online. Macy's has been expanding its store labels and opening more off-price Backstage stores — it now has more than 120 new Backstage locations within Macy's stores. It's also rolled out technology that allows customers to skip the line at the register. It's also expanding virtual reality technology in furniture and cosmetics sections. The company's revamped loyalty card program has helped keep its best customers engaged. And after closing more than 100 stores over the past several years, it's going to see how a cluster of smaller stores work with today's customers.

Macy's said Tuesday that it will add Backstage locations to 45 more stores. It also plans to renovate another 100 Macy's stores with better lighting and other touches. It aims to enhance Macy's app with new features to improve payment, shopping, and style advice. Mobile is Macy's fastest growing channel, with more than \$1 billion in sales through its apps alone in 2018, the retailer said. The company

also plans to further invest in areas where it already has strong market share. That means dresses, fine jewelry, big ticket, men's tailored clothing, women's shoes and beauty.

"The steps we are announcing to further streamline our management structure will allow us to move faster, reduce costs and be more responsive to changing customer expectations," said Jeff Gennette, Macy's CEO, in a statement.

It still needs to do much more like making its stores more exciting, analysts say.

Macy's earned net income of \$740 million, or \$2.37 per share, in the period ended Feb. 2. That compares with net income of \$1.35 billion, or \$4.38 per share, in the year-earlier period.

Adjusted results were \$2.73 per share.

Revenue reached \$8.46 billion, down 2.5 percent from \$8.67 billion in the year-ago period.

Analysts expected profit of \$2.53 per share on sales of \$8.44 billion.

Sales at stores opened at least a year rose 0.7 percent in the quarter and 2 percent for the fiscal year. That figure includes business from licensed departments.

Yelp teams up with Grubhub, targeting virtual reservations

BY COLIN BERTRAM
Bloomberg News

Yelp is continuing its evolution from a user-generated review platform to meeting the needs of diners who want to plan ahead, walk in for seating, or get food delivered.

The review and business-listing company managed 22 million diners booking directly through the Yelp app, a threefold increase year-over-year, according to internal data released Tuesday. During the 2019 Valentine's Day week, Yelp reported its reservation and waitlist software handled 5.6 million diners.

"Acquisition and integration of leading restaurant technologies has also benefited Yelp's restaurant partners thanks to new offerings such as Yelp Waitlist and Yelp Kiosk," says Devon Wright, general manager of Yelp Restaurant Marketplaces and co-founder of Turnstyle Analytics, a Wi-Fi marketing company purchased by Yelp in 2017.

The idea behind the kiosk, for example, is to allow diners to add their names directly to the wait list via a standalone iPad in an effort to free up the host for hospitality. Guests can also check a restaurant's real-time waitlist information and sign up and adjust their arrival time accordingly from within the Yelp app. Both functionalities were made possible by NoWait, the Pittsburgh-based startup also acquired in 2017.

Wright characterizes a food-delivery program with Chicago-based Grubhub as a type of "thoughtful partnership" to fast-track new features rather than build out systems in-house or through acquisition.

Stephen Loffredo, partner at Seasoned Hospitality Strategy and Management, says Yelp's one-stop platform on which prospective customers don't have to leave to transact with a restaurant, and restaurants can interact directly with diners — a so-called "complete loop" for consumers — is a particular strength.

Though Yelp declined to provide the average number of diners booking through the app in any given month, the December figure of 22 million is a shot across the bow of OpenTable, which has dominated the virtual reservation landscape since 1998. OpenTable seats 27 million diners via online reservations each month at more than 48,000 restaurants globally, according to company statistics.

And although OpenTable and fellow com-

petitor Resy are releasing specialized search tools to connect diners with restaurants, in an industry with notoriously slim margins, pricing continues to be the main factor over bells and whistles. Take the example of Claudio's, a three-kitchen chainlet in Greenport, N.Y., that Seasoned Hospitality took over following its sale in early 2018.

"The whole technology side was a rush to beat the clock before reopening last year," says Loffredo of choosing a reservation platform. At the time, restaurants on the North Fork of Long Island appeared split relatively evenly between OpenTable and Resy. "Since the main (Claudio's) restaurant had never been on any type of platform, we felt Resy was the one to go with," especially with a lower price point for Claudio's Clam Bar, which just needed waitlist functionality.

But that was last year's solution, and Loffredo says he and the team are again reassessing Claudio's tech options before the summer season gets underway — including, now, Yelp.

OpenTable, the most expensive option for restaurants that take reservations, charges a \$249 monthly fee plus a seated cover charge of from 25¢ to \$1 depending on how the table is booked. The company previously charged an initial \$1,295 for equipment installation but eliminated that fee. Yelp also charges \$249 a month but has no additional charges for hardware, covers, initial setup, or web access. Monthly plans at Resy start at \$189 and top out at \$899 depending on features used.

Yelp and OpenTable partnered in 2010 in a move that saw reservations accepted through OpenTable on the Yelp platform. The alliance ended in 2015 after Yelp acquired SeatMe, the software behind what is now Yelp Reservations. OpenTable was acquired by Booking Holdings Inc. (formerly Priceline Group) for \$2.6 billion in 2014. The two platforms occupy space in an increasingly crowded arena of other online reservation sites such as Resy, I Know the Chef, Spotluck, and Allset, with most offering comparable features.

Yelp reported fourth-quarter earnings of 37 cents a share, compared with \$1.58 in 2017, though net revenue increased 11 percent year over year, to \$243.7 million, and advertising revenue rose 12 percent year over year, to \$235 million.

Fine line for creator, advertiser satisfaction

YouTube, from Page 1

billion in 2018, up 22 percent from the year before. YouTube makes some of its own videos but relies heavily on outsiders for the vast majority.

As YouTube grows, it's easier for YouTubers to feel slighted by YouTube's attentiveness to advertisers. Some saw "Rewind 2018" as an effort by YouTube to present a sanitized version of itself, said Luke Majoinen, who runs the entertainment YouTube channel Joinen, which has more than 200,000 subscribers. "It's pretty much an ad for YouTube."

Video creators disillusioned with YouTube don't have many alternatives. Although there are other options — Snapchat, and an increasingly competitive Instagram — it's still the first place viewers turn to watch videos. And it's the most viable way to make money, Majoinen said.

Creators who have enough subscribers to their video channels — usually more than 1,000 — can apply to get paid a sliding rate when enough viewers watch ads that run with their videos.

In her quarterly blog post to YouTubers, Wojcicki acknowledged that her kids found the Rewind video "cringe."

"We hear you that it didn't accurately show the year's key moments, nor did it reflect the YouTube you know," she narrated in an accompanying video as thumbs-down icons popped up on the screen. "We'll do better to tell our story in 2019."

In particular, the Rewind video appeared to steer clear of some popular but controversial video creators.

It featured more than a dozen celebrities who used YouTube to launch their fame, as well as mainstream celebs such as Will Smith and Trevor Noah.

But it excluded one of the top YouTube stars, Felix Kjellberg. The Swedish YouTuber who goes by PewDiePie has 86 million followers.

YouTube has distanced itself from him after he made jokes criticized as anti-Semitic and posted Nazi imagery in his videos. YouTube also excluded Logan Paul, who made an infamous video in Japan's Aokigahara forest, sometimes called the "suicide forest," which appeared to show a dead body hanging from a tree and Paul giggling and joking about it.

Kjellberg and Paul have apologized for offensive videos. And despite the transgressions, their audiences stayed. The pair still

hold power on a service where so much is determined by subscriber loyalty.

Many YouTubers responded to Rewind by posting reaction videos expressing their disappointment. Kjellberg made his own version of Rewind, which heavily featured what many thought YouTube's video was missing — himself. It garnered more than 7 million likes.

Companies know advertising on YouTube can be risky, but it also attracts an audience that can be otherwise hard to reach, eMarketer principal analyst Paul Verna said.

Advertisers flexed their muscles in early 2017 and began boycotting the site until it could prevent their ads from appearing next to extremist clips promoting hate and violence.

The boycott was short-lived, but smaller boycotts have popped up since, including one over the past week when AT&T, Nestle and Epic Games suspended ads on YouTube while the company worked to quell inappropriate comments that sexualized children on otherwise innocuous videos.

YouTube allows advertisers to choose topics and demographics to target with their ads. But some companies want to see stronger protections

against inappropriate videos to assure their ads appear next to safe videos.

YouTube has taken action to protect advertisers, but creators now complain that YouTube's countermeasures result in some of their videos being improperly "demonetized," or classified as not suitable for ads — which means they don't earn money. YouTube didn't respond to a request for comment on demonetization.

YouTube's Wojcicki, however, did respond directly to a PewDiePie video on the subject.

In a comment, she pointed creators to an official video explaining demonetization and noting that YouTube still promotes demonetized videos through its recommendation engine.

Majoinen and other creators say they're standing behind YouTube.

"I'm optimistic they'll continue to work on blind spots," said Marques Brownlee, who appeared in the Rewind video and runs a tech review YouTube channel that has 7.8 million followers.

There is good news for one artist in all this — Justin Bieber no longer has the most disliked video, a title he previously held for the music video of his song "Baby."

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Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
-5.16 (-0.07%)	-2.21 (-0.08%)	-11.33 (-1.71%)
Close: 7,549.30	Close: 2,793.90	Close: 1,577.48
High: 7,573.22	High: 2,803.12	High: 1,589.26
Low: 7,524.31	Low: 2,789.47	Low: 1,577.43
Previous: 7,554.46	Previous: 2,796.11	Previous: 1,588.81

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
-0.04 to 2.63%	-0.70 to \$1,325.20	-0.64 to 110.51/\$1	-0.0024 to .8776/\$1	+0.02 to \$55.50

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+0.64	+0.84	+0.51	+6.01	+7.41	+5.83	+2.55	+2.99	+1.81

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	467	468	456.25	460.25	-6.75
		May 19	473	474.75	463.75	468.25	-4.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	370.75	371.25	365.50	366.25	-4.25
		May 19	380	380.50	375	376	-4
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 19	910	910.75	899	903.75	-8
		May 19	923	923.75	912.25	917	-8
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 19	30.44	30.44	29.83	30.09	-0.27
		May 19	30.80	30.80	30.15	30.40	-0.28
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 19	305.00	305.50	302.10	303.20	-2.20
		May 19	308.80	309.50	306.10	307.30	-2.10
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Apr 19	55.46	56.08	55.02	55.50	+0.02
		May 19	55.90	56.54	55.47	55.97	+0.05
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 19	2.843	2.908	2.816	2.840	+0.004
		Apr 19	2.818	2.849	2.760	2.796	-0.019
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Mar 19	1.5496	1.6000	1.5405	1.5863	+0.0411
		Apr 19	1.7064	1.7393	1.6972	1.7243	+0.0206

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

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

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	76.75	-11	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	108.08	+14	Mondelez Intl	O	47.43	+2.2
AbbVie Inc	N	80.51	+22	Equity Residential	N	73.72	+22	Morningstar Inc	O	126.49	-68
Allstate Corp	N	94.09	-81	Exelon Corp	N	48.56	+14	Motorola Solutions	N	141.64	+43
Aptargroup Inc	N	101.31	-25	First Indl RT	N	33.91	-16	Navistar Intl	N	37.73	-61
Arch Dan Mid	N	74.91	-11	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	48.03	-37	NiSource Inc	N	26.74	+28
Baxter Intl	N	42.32	+12	Gallagher AJ	N	79.89	-45	Nthn Trust Cp	O	92.94	+28
Boeing Co	N	426.77	-10	Granger WW	N	308.55	-283	Old Republic	N	20.89	-18
Brunswick Corp	N	52.83	-94	GrubHub Inc	N	80.43	-123	Packaging Corp Am	N	99.59	+08
CBOE Global Markets	N	94.90	-50	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	103.91	-127	Payloadtly Hldg	O	84.68	-220
CDK Global Inc	O	58.66	+09	IDEX Corp	N	143.54	-129	Stericycle Inc	O	44.53	-71
CDW Corp	O	95.27	-30	ITW	N	144.34	-68	TransUnion	N	63.66	-81
CF Industries	N	43.19	-06	Ingredion Inc	N	93.22	+15	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.23	-16
CME Group	O	178.11	+62	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	165.22	-38	US Foods Holding	N	35.47	+38
CNA Financial	N	43.10	-10	Kemper Corp	N	81.37	-128	USG Corp	N	43.20	+03
Caterpillar Inc	N	137.98	-343	Kraft Heinz Co	O	33.12	-111	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	310.00	+95
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	23.36	+05	LKQ Corporation	O	27.26	-26	United Contl Hldgs	O	89.53	-05
Deere Co	N	163.80	-106	Littelfuse Inc	O	193.43	-204	Ventas Inc	N	63.12	-35
Discover Fin Svcs	N	70.77	-126	MB Financial	O	45.13	-52	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	71.48	+17
Dover Corp	N	91.22	-24	McDonalds Corp	N	183.21	+60	Wintrust Financial	O	73.47	-80
Equity Commonwh	N	32.50	-08	Middleby Corp	O	119.30	+59	Zebra Tech	O	202.98	-166

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	10.66	-14
Bank of America	29.29	+02
Cheesap Engr	2.63	-01
Aurora Cannabis Inc	7.75	+46
Ford Motor	8.88	+12
EnCana Corp	6.95	-10
AT&T Inc	31.22	+09
Snap Inc A	10.08	-04
Goldcorp Inc	10.80	-26
Macy's Inc	24.72	+36
Wabtec	73.96	-410
Nokia Corp	6.12	-03
Ambev S.A.	4.87	+02
Weatherford Intl Ltd	.74	-07
CenturyLink Inc	12.98	-19
Barrick Gold	12.59	-02
CocaCola Co	44.69	-25
Eli Lilly	124.67	+78
Hertz Corp	20.07	+78
Kinross Gold	3.46	-07
Twitter Inc	31.01	-98
Sprint Corp	6.34	-10
Wells Fargo & Co	49.59	-10
Yamana Gold Inc	2.64	-04

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	183.54	+29
Alphabet Inc C	1115.13	+573
Alphabet Inc A	1122.01	+468
Amazon.com Inc	1636.40	+3.40
Apple Inc	174.33	+10
Bank of America	29.29	+02
Berkshire Hath B	201.90	-41
Exxon Mobil Corp	78.66	+16
Facebook Inc	164.13	-49
JPMorgan Chase	105.29	-81
Johnson & Johnson	136.11	-09
Microsoft Corp	112.36	+77
Pfizer Inc	43.02	-06
Procter & Gamble	99.83	+26
Royal Dutch Shell B	64.03	...
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.48	-07
Unitedhealth Group	262.98	-162
Visa Inc	147.04	+38
WalMart Strs	98.69	-43

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets				
FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR	%RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.02	-02	+1.7	
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	26.60	-01	+2.4	
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	74.26	+02	-5.5	
American Funds CptIncBldrA m	59.96	+07	-1.4	
American Funds FdmTlncVnA m	58.17	-07	-5	
American Funds GrfAmrca m	47.99	-04	+1.4	
American Funds IncAmrca m	22.01	...	+5	
American Funds InvCamrca m	36.90	-06	-2.8	
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	42.22	...	-8	
American Funds WAMTnvsA m	45.09	-05	+3.1	
DFA EMktCorEq	21.03	-01	+11.9	
DFA IntlCorEqIn	12.99	+06	-10.3	
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.54	+03	+2.8	
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	40.94	+15	+11.9	
Dodge & Cox Stk	193.13	-11	-6	
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.47	+01	+3.7	
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	97.38	-08	+2.5	
Fidelity Contrafund	12.27	...	+9	
Fidelity ContrafundK	12.28	...	+1.1	
Fidelity TtMktIdxInPrm	79.54	-13	+2.8	
Fidelity USBdlIdxInPrm	11.38	+02	+5.5	
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.30	...	+2.7	
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.50	+01	+3.7	
PIMCO IncInstl	11.95	...	+3.4	
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.03	+01	+2.8	
Schwab SP500Idx	42.83	-03	+2.5	
T. Rowe Price BCGR	110.40	+13	+5.8	
T. Rowe Price GrStk	65.38	+15	+3.9	
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	258.75	-21	+2.5	
Vanguard DivGrInV	26.95	...	+7.5	
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	73.21	-11	+2.2	
Vanguard GrdAdmrl	78.33	-01	+3.2	
Vanguard HCAdmrl	88.32	+04	+8.3	
Vanguard InTrnGdAdm	9.55	+02	+3.7	
Vanguard INTTEAdmrl	14.04	+01	+4.0	
Vanguard InsdIdxIns	254.42	-20	+2.5	
Vanguard InsdIdxInsPlus	254.44	-20	+2.5	
Vanguard InstTSMInPls	60.96	-10	+2.9	
Vanguard MdlCpIdxAdmrl	196.95	-64	+2.2	
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	136.15	+24	+3.9	
Vanguard STInVmGrdAdmrl	10.52	...	+2.8	
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	74.18	-52	+0.8	
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	30.54	+01	+5	
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.32	+01	+5	
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	33.44	+02	+1	
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.56	+01	-3	
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.54	+02	+3.4	
Vanguard TtBMDIdxIns	10.54	+02	+3.4	
Vanguard TtInBldAdmrl	22.00	...	+4.8	
Vanguard TtInBldIdxIns	33.01	...	+4.8	
Vanguard TtInSdxAdmrl	28.00	+09	-8.2	
Vanguard TtInSdxIns	111.97	+35	-8.2	
Vanguard TtInSdxInsPlus	111.99	+35	-8.2	
Vanguard TtInSdxInv	16.74	+05	-8.3	
Vanguard TtSMIdxAdmrl	69.96	-11	+2.9	
Vanguard TtSMIdxIns	69.97	-11	+2.9	
Vanguard TtSMIdxInv	69.93	-11	+2.8	
Vanguard WngtMAdmrl	68.82	+02	+2.7	
Vanguard WlslyIncAdmrl	62.13	+02	+3.5	
Vanguard WndrllAdmrl	61.71	-07	-4.4	

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OBITUARIES

MAC WISEMAN 1925-2019

Bluegrass performer of wide-ranging talent

BY TERENCE MCARDLE
The Washington Post

Mac Wiseman, a bluegrass singer known for his smooth, mellifluous tenor and whose collaborators ranged from Bill Monroe to John Prine, died Feb. 24 in Antioch, Tennessee. He was 93.

The cause was kidney failure, said a family friend, Laura White.

A portly singer with an ingratiating grin, Wiseman was once dubbed by a disc jockey “the voice with a heart” for the nimble quality and rich texture of his voice. In classic bluegrass music, his approach was warmer than the keening styles of Monroe or Ralph Stanley. Though inarguably a traditionalist, he also recorded — to the consternation of purists — commercial country music with pedal steel guitars and even pop songs with choirs.

Wiseman sang lead on Monroe’s “Travelin’ Down This Lonesome Road” (1949), recorded with Flatt and Scruggs, and was most identified with the bluegrass gospel standard, “Tis Sweet To Be Remembered,” which he first recorded in 1951.

That year, he started his own band, the Country Boys, which included stalwart instrumentalists such as banjoist Eddie Adcock. He recorded for Nashville’s Dot Records a string of hit singles, including the ballad “I Still Write Your Name in the Sand” (1952) and uptempo barn burners such as “Goin’ Like Wildfire” and “Crazy Blues,” both from 1954.

Working as the record label’s country artist and repertoire man, he produced other acts such as Reno & Smiley as well as Cowboy Copas.

“He had a talent for taking something old and making it sound fresh and new,” music researcher Jay Bruder said. “So many of his Dot recordings were pop songs from the 1920s and ‘30s, even as far back as the 1880s.” Wiseman pushed Dot to record two versions of the 1931 pop song “Love



MARK HUMPHREY/AP 2014

Mac Wiseman, who died Feb. 24, was once dubbed “the voice with a heart.”

Letters in the Sand,” in the late 1950s — a Wiseman rendition in the country market and the pop version by teen idol Pat Boone.

Bluegrass historian Dick Spottswood compared Wiseman to Texas-born jazz trombonist and singer Jack Teagarden.

Wiseman, Spottswood said, “brought elements of Shenandoah Valley mountain ballads into bluegrass just as Teagarden brought in elements of East Texas blues into jazz — and they both had an affinity for ancient pop tunes.” Spottswood described Wiseman as “a country cosmopolitan (who) didn’t abandon one thing to embrace another. He saw each genre as part of the broader music palette.”

And Wiseman’s collaborations bear that out — he recorded with big-band leader Woody Herman, singer-songwriter John Prine and, in the short-lived band The Groovegrass Boyz, funk bassist Bootsie Collins.

Whether performing “The Ballad of Davy Crockett” or such tear-jerkers as “Jimmy Brown the Newsboy,” Wiseman specialized in songs with a strong narrative thread.

“I didn’t care whether it was ‘The Waltz You Saved For Me’ or a rock tune,” Wiseman told The Tennessean in 2012. “I did it my way. I wanted them to know it was my record.”

Malcolm Bell Wiseman was born in Crimora, Va., on May 23, 1925. The family

farm lacked electricity, but he heard folk singer Bradley Kincaid broadcast from Chicago on a battery-operated radio.

“I didn’t realize, till many years later, the effect that Bradley Kincaid had on me,” he told music critic Barry Mazor in 2005, “because he did the old ballads and story-songs, but he was an educated guy. He had a college education. Also, he was a businessman. I guess I’d have to say that I patterned myself after him.”

At age 6, he contracted polio and, in his preteen years, endured surgeries to correct a twisted leg. He took up a guitar — a \$3.99 Sears model — while recuperating. A polio charity paid for his college music studies at Shenandoah Conservatory of Music — then in Dayton, Va., — while he worked as an announcer at a radio station in nearby Harrisonburg.

“The radio experience gave me a great command of the diction of songs, where you can understand my lyrics and the words as I was saying them,” he once told NPR. “If people have to try to figure out what you’re saying or singing, you’ve lost their attention.”

Wiseman first recorded as a bassist with old-timey singer Molly O’Day in 1946. Flatt and Scruggs hired him as a rhythm guitarist in 1948, he joined Bill Monroe and the Blue Grass Boys the following year. He later was part of the casts of radio shows such as “Louisiana Hayride” and “Old Dominion Barn Dance.”

A detailed list of survivors could not be confirmed.

Wiseman was inducted into the International Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame in 1993 and the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2014. In 2015, he wrote a memoir with Walt Trott, “Mac Wiseman: All My Memories Fit for Print.”

He remained busy in his autumnal years. In 2017, he recorded the album “I Sang the Song (Life of the Voice With a Heart),” a collection of largely autobiographical songs.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON FEBRUARY 27 ...

In 1801 the District of Columbia was placed under the jurisdiction of Congress.

In 1807 poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was born in Portland, Maine.

In 1922 the Supreme Court unanimously upheld the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed the right of women to vote.

In 1933 Germany’s parliament building, the Reichstag, caught fire. (The Nazis, blaming the Communists, used the fire as a pretext for suspending civil liberties.)

In 1939 the U.S. Supreme Court outlawed sit-down strikes.

In 1973 members of the American Indian Movement began their occupation of the Oglala Sioux settlement at Wounded Knee, S.D., site of the 1890 massacre of Sioux men, women and children. The

siege continued into early May. Also in 1973 the Nixon administration accused North Vietnam of violating the Paris peace accords by delaying the release of American prisoners of war.

In 1979 Jane Byrne upset Mayor Michael Bilandic to win Chicago’s Democratic mayoral primary. (Byrne went on to win the election.)

In 1991 President George H.W. Bush declared that “Kuwait is liberated, Iraq’s army is defeated,” and announced that the allies would suspend combat operations at midnight.

In 1999 Nigerians elected Olusegun Obasanjo president as the country marked the final phase of its return to democracy.

In 2003 Fred Rogers, whose public television show “Mr. Rogers’ Neighborhood” taught and entertained millions of children for three decades, died in

Pittsburgh; he was 74.

In 2004 a study on the Roman Catholic Church’s sexual-abuse scandal, commissioned by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, was released; church bishops and seminaries are excoriated for their “shameful” handling of allegations leveled at more than 4,000 priests from 1950 to 2002.

In 2005 the Iraqi government announced the capture of Sabawi Ibrahim al-Hassan, Saddam Hussein’s half-brother and former adviser.

In 2008 William F. Buckley Jr., the author and conservative commentator, was found dead at his home in Stamford, Conn.; he was 82.

In 2010 a massive, magnitude 8.8 earthquake rocked central Chile, killing about 500 people and causing an estimated \$30 billion in damage.

In 2013 a statue of civil rights icon Rosa Parks was unveiled in the National Statuary Hall, the first full-length statue of a black woman in the U.S. Capitol.

In 2017 an alarming spate of anti-Semitic acts that year peaked when 31 incidents on one day were reported at synagogues and Jewish cemeteries and community centers across the country.

In 2018 White House communications director Hope Hicks acknowledged to a House intelligence panel that she has occasionally told “white lies” for President Donald Trump; the next day she announced her resignation.

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Ague, Helen R

Helen Ruth Ague, nee Rogers, age 94 of Naperville, formerly of Pass Christian, MS, Morton Grove and Skokie, IL, passed away Monday, February 18, 2019 at Sunrise of Naperville North. She was born February 10, 1925 in Barth, MS to her loving late parents, Joe and Arcile Rogers. Cherished wife of the late Lyle Theodore Ague, wedded on April 3,



1943. Cherished mother of James Wesley Ague of Naperville and Bonnie Ague of Centennial, CO. Adored grandma of Thomas (Tamitha) Ague of Hannibal, MO and Kristin Helen Zimmerman of Centennial, CO and the late David Wesley Ague. Loving great-grandma of Travis and Ryan Ague, and Jacob and Lucas Zimmerman. Loving sister of Katherine Johnston, Josie Suber, Aline Marshall, Gene Rogers and the late Eugene (Nonnie) Rogers. Dear aunt of many, nieces, nephews and cousins in the Midwest and along the Mississippi and Texas Gulf Coast.

In lieu of flowers, memorials should be sent to the Salvation Army in her name. Visitation, Friday, March 8, 5:00-8:00 pm, and memorial service on Saturday, March 9, 11:00 am, both at Grace United Methodist Church, 300 E. Gartner Rd., Naperville, IL 60540.

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Ahrens, Marie A.

Marie A. Ahrens, 99 of Addison. Beloved wife of the late Gerhard. Loving mother of Dorothy (the late Kenneth) Kaestner, Leonard (Linda) Ahrens, Dale (Jo-Anne) Ahrens and Lois (Ty) Hodgson. Cherished grandmother of Shaun, Tiffany, Daniel, David, Michael, Rebecca, Andrew, Christian and Marshall. Dearest great-grandmother of Toriana and Olive. Also survived by her sisters in law Viola and Norma Kothe. Visitation Sunday, 2-8 PM at Humes Funeral Home, 320 W. Lake St., Addison (2 Mi. W. of Rt. 83, 2 Mi. E. of Rt. 53). Lying in state Monday, 10 AM, Funeral Service 10:30 AM at St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, 37 Army Trail Rd., Addison. Interment St. Paul Cemetery. For info, www.HumesFH.com or 630.628.8808

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Baker, Albert

Albert Baker, age 94; Veteran of World War II and civil engineer for the State of Illinois and City of Chicago; beloved husband of Jewel, nee Ross, and the late Harriet, nee Ross; loving father of Jeff (Cindy) Baker, Joan (Dennis) Houdek, Gary (the late Carol) Baker, and Karen Mascort; step father of Susie (the late Raymond) Bryant, Howard (Patti) Duboe, Sheryl Taubin (companion, Joel Corush), the late Maureen (the late Mark) Elias, and Rhonda Seeber; step father in law of Glenn Seeber; proud grandfather of 14; great grandfather of 8; dear brother of the late Rosalyn McCall, Evelyn Gross, Lillian Cohn, and Florence Harris. Service Friday 11am in the chapel of Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, 60706, where interment will follow. Please, no flowers. Contributions in Albert’s memory may be made to Honor Flight Chicago, 9701 W. Higgins Road, Suite #310; Rosemont, IL 60018-4703, 773-227-8387, www.honorflightchicago.org. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals, 773-625-8621

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Barrett, Michael J.

Michael J. Barrett, 58 of Buffalo Grove, beloved husband of Donna Barrett (nee Coventry); loving father of Jesse Barrett and Julia (Jeremy) Webber; devoted son of the late Martin (Arlene) Barrett; fond brother of Maura (Chris Ott) Barrett and Margaret Barrett; also survived by his best friend Nina. Visitation Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 3pm until 8pm at the **Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd.**, 1520 N. Arlington Heights Road, (four blocks south of Palatine Rd.) Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers contributions to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation 383 Main Avenue 5th Floor, Norwalk, CT, 06851 <https://www.themmr.org/> are appreciated. Funeral information and condolences www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.

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Braun, Joseph P.

Joseph P. Braun, age 93, of Oak Lawn, passed away on February 16th. Proud U.S. Army Veteran. Beloved husband of the late Aldona “Donna” Gagel Braun (nee Douglas); loving father of Theresa (Richard) Bland, John Gagel and Rita Moubry; devoted grandfather of Ton Bland, Jennifer (Dean) Kleinhez and Dan, Shawn and Jeremy Gagel. Joe loved bowling with his friends and was an avid reader. Joe will be missed by all who knew him. Visitation Friday March 1st at 3pm to 9pm. Funeral Saturday 10:45am from **Blake-Lamb Funeral Home** 4727 W. 103rd Street Oak Lawn to St. Catherine of Alexandria Church for Mass at 11:30am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Info 708-636-1193 or visit www.blakelamboaklawn.com

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Castillo, Rudolph

Rudolph Diego Castillo passed away February 23, 2019. Born in Chicago, IL on June 21, 1961 to Diego and Brunhilde Castillo. He is survived by his wife Diane nee Bogdan, and two children Amanda and Rudy (Lauren); brothers Robert, Raymond and Junior; nephew Brian and niece Melanee. Beloved grandfather to Aaliyah, Natalie, and Ava. Cherished friend to many. Visitation Thursday, February 28th 9AM-1PM at Montclair-Lucania Funeral Home 6901 W. Belmont Ave. Chicago, IL 60634. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, donations to the family are greatly appreciated. For information 773-622-9300 or Montclair-LucaniaFuneral.com

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Ciszek, Nancy

Nancy Ciszek of Chicago completed her journey of life on Feb. 22nd, 2019. Born on July 31st, 1953, to the late Colette (Keane) & Kenneth Novitski. Best friend and loving wife to Richard Ciszek. Proud mother to Rex (Cathy) Berglund & Richard Berglund. Dear sister to Rita Strabel, Kenneth (Betty) Novitski, Mary (Gary) March, and Suzy (Tito) Suarez. Proud Grandmother to Taylor, Daniel, Kaitlyn and Emily. Aunt to many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Friday, March 1, 2019 from 3:00-9:00 pm at **Andrew J. McGann & Son Funeral Home** (10727 S. Pulaski Rd; Chicago, IL 60655) Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, March 2, 2019 at 11:00 am at St. Christina Catholic Church (3342 W. 111th Street; Chicago, IL 60655). In lieu of flowers, donations to American Lung Association, and Journey Care Hospice.

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Cochrane, Concetta Catherine

Concetta Catherine Cochrane (nee Provenzano) passed into eternity February 13, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Thomas W. Cochrane. Loving mother of Gerald J., David B. (Geraldyn), James A. (Bonnie), and Paul T. (Carmela). Her eldest son Thomas predeceased her. Proud grandmother of Christopher, Jennifer, Dustin (Jesyka Ane), Jason (Kaitlyn), Ryan (Tiffany), Katie Cochrane-Halimi (Ismael), Bryne Martin, Ryne Martin, and Aidan. Great grandmother of Tyler, Connor, Camden, Evan, Chance, and Ayson. A memorial service will be held March 2nd (Saturday) at 9:30 AM at St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr Catholic Church in Tinley Park, IL. In lieu of flowers, please donate to St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr Catholic Church in Tinley Park, IL. Arrangements by Lawn Funeral Home 708-532-3100

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Dimitrakopoulos, Emmanouel

Emmanouel Dimitrakopoulos of Westchester, age 79, born in Ksirokambos, Messinias, Greece. Beloved husband of Vasiliki, nee Alexandropoulos; loving father of Kalliope (Jeff) Dimitrakopoulos-Osborne; proud grandfather of Magdalena; dear brother, uncle and koumbaro of many here, Greece and Canada. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Thursday 10:00 a.m. from the funeral home to Assumption Greek Orthodox church, 601 S. Central, Chicago for 11:00 a.m. Funeral Service. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Domagala, Michael A

97, USCG WWII Veteran (North Atlantic Theater DE-323) beloved husband of the late Mary (nee Tabaczek); dear brother of the late Agnes (Elmer) Guersch, Walter (Marcella), Margaret (Frank) Spiewak, and Florence; proud father of Marilyn (Tom) Murphy, Monica, Michelle Atkins, and Melanie; grandfather to Allison, David, Anastasia, Erica, and Alexander; great grandfather of 7. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Latin Requiem Mass to be held 10:30 am Saturday, March 2, 2019 at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church, 1039 West 32nd Street, Chicago, IL 60608. Interment private.

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Donnewald, Theresa Mazurek

Theresa Mazurek Donnewald, 57, of Arlington Heights. Beloved wife of Craig; loving mother of Katie and Steven; beloved daughter of Zofia (nee Kucybal) and the late Stephan Mazurek; dear sister of Ann (Richard) Kowalczyk, Andrew (Michelle) and Stephen Mazurek. Visitation from 2 pm until 8 pm, Friday, at **Glueckert Funeral Home** Ltd., 1520 N. Arl. Hts. Rd. (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd.), Arl. Hts, Ill. Prayers 9:00 am Saturday, from the funeral home proceeding to St. Mary Parish, 10 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove, Ill. for Mass at 10:00 am. Interment at All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Breast Cancer Research at Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, call (312) 926-2033 or donate online at giving.nm.org/Donnewald are appreciated. Funeral information and condolences can be given at www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.

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Esquibel, Josphe

Joseph Esquibel. Age 96. Born in Roy, NM. Feb 6, 1923. Peacefully at rest Feb 24, 2019. WWII D-Day Campaign veteran. Long time resident of Arlington Heights and Mt Prospect. Preceded in death in 1991 by his cherished wife Catherine (nee Stafin). Survived by son Raymond (Barbara), and daughter Patricia (Robert) Schmidt. Loving grandfather of Heather Schmidt, Eric (Stephanie) Schmidt, Charles (Angela) Esquibel, Ryan Schmidt, and Katherine Esquibel. Great grandfather of Caleb Schmidt and Summer Schmidt. Cherished son of the late Celadon and late Pauline. Brother of the late Clara (late Benny) Montoya, late John (late Josie), late Fred (late Mildred), late Joey (Mona), late Casey (late Caroline), and the late Thomas (Maria). Uncle of many. Gathering begins at 10:30 am prior to 12 pm Mass Saturday March 2, 2019 at Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel at Addolorata Villa. 555 McHenry Rd. Wheeling Il. Memorial contributions to Dad’s loving and extraordinary caregivers c/o Addolorata Villa Associates Fund <https://www.franciscanministries.org/support-our-mission> are appreciated. Private Interment at a later date.

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Mega Millions jackpot: \$245M
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Lucky Day Lotto midday
19 24 26 27 33
Pick 3 evening 504 / 2
Pick 4 evening 3243 / 1
Lucky Day Lotto evening
11 12 15 20 33

Feb. 27 Powerball: \$322M
Feb. 28 Lotto: \$11.25M

WISCONSIN
Feb. 26
Pick 3 749
Pick 4 7698
Badger 5 04 06 14 25 28
SuperCash 11 16 23 34 37 38

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Daily 3 midday 468 / 6
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Daily 3 evening 574 / 0
Daily 4 evening 4343 / 0
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MICHIGAN
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Farnan, Helen J.

Helen Jean Farnan, nee Nolan, of Plainfield, formerly of Riverside, age 84. Beloved wife of the late John "Jack"; loving mother of Mary Helen (Frank) Strutyński, Karyn McCarthy, John (Susan), Joe (Kathy), Jim (Maggie) and Regina Farnan; proud grandmother of Matthew, Adam, Katie (Jared), Megan, Katelyn (Douglas), Emily (Jacob), Mary Claire, Nolan, Bridget, Jimmy, John, Bobby, Danny and Patrick; great-grandmother of Harper, Kaylee, Daylon and William; dear sister of the late Dolores (late Jack) Lenahan, late James (Holly) Nolan and the late Thomas (late Julianne), Visitation Saturday, March 2, 2019 at St. Francis Xavier Church, 124 N. Spring Ave., La Grange from 12:00 noon until time of funeral mass 1:00 p.m. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to The Chicago Lighthouse (www.chicagolighthouse.org) appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Franrick, Paul W.

Paul W. Franrick, age 76. Beloved husband Cheryl nee Burke. Devoted father of Jeffrey (Gina) Franrick, Craig (Katalin) & Kevin (Barbara) Penzato. Cherished grandpa of Olivia, Jake, & Ethan. Loving brother of Robert, Jacqueline (Eugene) Sikora, Jill (the late Thomas) Cooper, & Suzanne Bush and brother-in-law of Larry (Sally) Burke, Dawn (Russell) Baggett, & Steven (Donna) Burke. Dear uncle & friend of too damn many to mention. Employed by the Ford Motor Company & member of the United Auto Workers Local #588 for 42 years. Visitation Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Chapel Prayers Friday, March 1, 2019 at 9:15 AM at the Schmaedeke Funeral Home, 10701 S. Harlem Ave, Worth, IL. Mass 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 8245 W. 111th Street, Palos Hills. Interment Private. For information 708-448-6000 or www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com



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Gould, Lois Chaitlen 'Loie'

Lois was born on 12/3/1940 in Chicago. She passed away on 2/25/2019. The loves of her life were her best friend and husband of 57 wonderful years, William (Bill), her children Debra (David) Gray, Ronald (Julie) Gould and Daniel (Amy) Gould and her six grandchildren, Brittany, Zachary, Benjamin, Rachel, Hannah and Sophie. Loie was the beloved daughter of the late Morrie and Sarah Chaitlen and sister of the late Elaine Lasky. She adored her many loving and devoted friends. There will be a private graveside service.

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Heffernan, John J.

John J. Heffernan, age 91; beloved husband of Alexandra (nee Maka) Heffernan; dear brother of the late Richard (the late Connie), the late Rosemary (the late Bob), the late Emmett (the late Joan), the late Loretta (the late Joseph), the late James (the late Mary Ann), & Tom (Glady); fond uncle of many nieces & nephews. Visitation Friday, March 1 from 3 to 9 p.m. at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Prayers on Saturday, March 2 at 10:45 a.m., from the funeral home to St. John of the Cross Church, Western Springs. Mass at 11:15 a.m. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Alsip. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Jack's name to the American Heart Association are appreciated. Funeral info: (708) 352-6500 or hfunerals.com

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Homolka, Sr., Frank R.

Frank R. Homolka, Sr., formerly of Westchester, age 88. Beloved husband of 50 years to the late Louise J., nee Fikar; loving father of Frank R. (Sharon), Thomas J. (Patricia) and Carol (Richard) Reid; proud grandfather of Hannah, Shelley and Raymond Homolka and Danielle and Kara Reid; dear brother of Mildred Homolka, Camille Homolka and Blanche Miller; fond uncle, cousin and friend to many; special friend of Dolores Koontz. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Friday, March 1, 2019 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Saturday 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorials to Alzheimer's Association appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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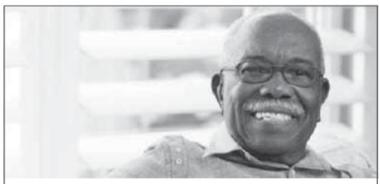
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Jellema, Patricia J.

Patricia J. Jellema nee Smith Age 80 Late of Monee, formerly of Midlothian. Beloved wife of Gary Jellema. Loving mother of Edward Jellema and Deborah Gilbert. Proud grandmother of Nicole (Mike) Ledvina, Aimee (Ross) Anderson, Stacey, Kati & Josh Gilbert and great-grandmother of Bryce, Blake, Bella, Baylee & Savannah. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to St. Jude Childrens Research Hospital. Funeral Friday 10:00 AM at the **Hickey Memorial Chapel** 4201 W. 147th St. Midlothian. Interment will be at Skyline Memorial Park. Visitation Thursday 2 – 8 PM. For more information and online registration www.hickeyfuneral.com or 708-385-4478.



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Kinsch, Leo M.

Leo M. Kinsch, 94, passed away peacefully in his home in Palatine IL on February 24th, 2019. Born September 26th, 1924, in Chicago IL, Leo was the eldest son of Valentine W. and Mary E. (Nepper) Kinsch. In 1938, his family moved to Palatine IL and purchased land and greenhouses. After the passing of his father in 1952, Leo and his siblings expanded the business by building Kinsch Village Florist.

Leo, a WWII Navy Veteran, beloved husband of the late Mary C. (Mueller); loving father of Valerie (Philip) Wray, Linda (Philip) Gilchrist and Ken (Diane) Kinsch; cherished grandfather of Ryan & Brittany Wray, Max, Grant & Henry Gilchrist, and Kaitlyn & Kenna Kinsch; dear brother of the late Catherine, the late Edward (late Rosemary), late Lorraine (late Robert) Henry, and Marion; and a dear friend to many. Leo was co-owner of Kinsch Village Florist & Greenhouses in Palatine for over 60 years. He was proud of his Luxembourg heritage. Additionally, Leo was a member of St. Theresa Church for over 80 years, serving as an usher 45 years; member of Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club and American Legion and Director of North Cook County Soil & Water Conservation District.

The family would like to thank Leo's caregivers, Maria and Elmer, for their friendship, care and devotion during his last years. Visitation will be on Friday, March 1, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Ahlgrim Family Funeral Home, 201 N. Northwest Hwy, Palatine. Prayers will be at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the funeral home with a procession to St. Theresa Church, 455 N. Benton St., Palatine for the Funeral Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine. For funeral information 847-358-7411 or AhlgrimFFS.com



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Kole, Claire

Claire nee Stein, age 82. Loving wife of the late Paul Kole. Devoted mother of Robyn (Ron) Karlin, Sheri (Marc) Urowsky, Lori (Richard) Warshell, Michael Kole and Lawrence (Ran Ran) Kole. Proud grandmother of Matthew, Danielle (Gretchen), Michael, Shmuel, Pnina (Yehuda), Bette, Paul, Alicia, Samantha and Delilah. Fond great grandmother of Hayden. Long-time companion of Harold Farber. Beloved sister of Mel (Patty) Stein and special twin sister of the late Erwin (Margaret) Stein. Cherished sister-in-law of Irving (Sharon) Kolesky, the late Rose (the late Al) Ander and Albert Kolesky. Special "favorite" aunt and great friend to many. Service Wednesday 10AM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 North Buffalo Grove Rd (one block North of Lake Cook Rd.), Buffalo Grove. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to the ARK, 6450 North California, Chicago Illinois 60645 www.arkchicago.org or to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60660 www.misericordia.com, Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfnfo.com

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Kosary, Walter E.

Walter E. Kosary age 93; loving husband of Linda K. nee Rodgers - DeBartolo; cherished father of Elizabeth Kosary (David) Graca, Christopher (Jodi), the late Kenneth, late Debra and the late Edward Kosary; proud grandfather of Mark (Sarah) and John Martinovich; fond brother of Dwight, the late Alois (Juanita), late Ronald (late Lois) and the late Julius (late Janella) Kosary; dear uncle of many nieces and nephews; also survived by his wonderful caregivers, many relatives and friends. Walter was a licensed funeral director, embalmer and business owner since 1948; WW II Navy Veteran. Visitation Thursday and Friday February 21 & 22, 2019; 3 pm to 8 pm at Kosary Funeral Home 9837 S. Kedzie, Evergreen Park where Funeral Service will be held Saturday February 23rd at 10:30 am Interment Bethania Cemetery (708) 499-3223 or www.kosaryfuneral-home.com

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Levie, Jay Allen

Jay Allen Levie, 78; beloved husband of the late Roberta "Bobbi" nee Lasky; adoring father of Jodi (Mark) Arbus, Lisa (Ian) Oxman and Heidi (Roger) Gale; proud "Papa Jay" of Jared, Amy, Benji, David and Jamie; loving companion of Francine Goldberg; dear brother of Neil (the late Susan) Levie and Susan (Wayne) Edelman. Chapel service Thursday, 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to COPD Foundation, www.copdfoundation.org or Illini Chabad Center for Jewish Life, www.jewishillini.org. For information, to view webcast or to leave condolences: (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Lieber, Barbara A.

Barbara A. Lieber nee Arnheim, 87, loving wife of the late Frank Lieber for 63 years, proud mother of Larry (Susan) Lieber, Catherine (Rony) Shimony and Michael (Lynne) Lieber. Doting grandmother of Scott (Tina), Danielle, Jimmy (Fiancee Jessica Faus), Ben and Jack Lieber, Daniel and Emma Shimony. Adoring GG of Eden Lieber. Sister of Ralph (Doris) Arnheim. Barbara's post graduate work was in education and she loved being a teacher. Barbara was a pioneer in introducing Opera to the school aged children of Chicagoland in her program, Opera in the Classroom, through her work with Lyric Opera of Chicago. Her love of music and family was unparalleled. Always gracious, classy and elegant. Barbara will be missed by her family, many close friends and those whose lives she touched. Private ceremony. In lieu of flowers, Donations to Lyric Opera of Chicago, 20 N. Upper Wacker Dr., Suite 860, Chicago, IL 60606 and www.Globalgoodspartners.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel 847.229.8822, www.cjfnfo.com

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Lind, Norman P

Norman P. Lind, 81, of Libertyville, passed away Feb. 24, 2019 at his home following an extended illness. Mr. Lind had served with the US Army, had retired as Assistant General Counsel for Kemper Insurance, was a graduate of Loyola Academy, attended Illinois Institute of Technology and in 1969 received his Law Degree from John Marshall Law School. Norman was a long-time member of St. Joseph Church, Libertyville where he served as Eucharistic Minister; he was also a tireless volunteer and board member of Mount St. Joseph of Lake Zurich.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy (nee Pfrenger) of 53 years of marriage; his children Michael (Mary) Lind, Anne (Oliver) Valente and Christine (David) Szarzynski; his grandchildren Julia, Dennis, Tess, Paige, Bethany, Samantha, Samuel and Calvin; and his brothers Charles (Betty) Lind and Robert (Harriet) Lind.

Mr. Lind was preceded in death by his parents Magdalene and George Lind and his sister Rosemary Sullivan Schaefer. Visitation will be Thursday Feb. 28th from 4 - 8 PM at McMurrrough Funeral Chapel, 101 Park Place, (Rt 176, 1 Blk East of Rt 21) Libertyville. Funeral Mass will be 11:00AM Friday March 1st at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 121 East Maple Ave., Libertyville with military honors following. Interment Ascension Cemetery, Libertyville. In lieu of flowers, donations made to Mount St. Joseph, 24955 N.U.S. Hwy 12, Lake Zurich would be greatly appreciated. Funeral info. 847-362-2626. Sign guestbook at Libertyvillefuneralhome.com.

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Linda, Riley

Linda Riley, age 70 of Bloomingdale (nee: Adamowski) Beloved wife of the late Thomas; Loving daughter of the late Max and Margaret Adamowski; Dear sister of Paul and the late Max Adamowski; Loving aunt of David, Amy, Mark and Sara. Memorial Visitation Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Salerno's Rosedale Chapels**, 450 W. Lake St. Roselle, 60172 (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale/Roselle Rd). Memorial Service 7:30 p.m. Interment Private. For info 630-8889-1700 or salernofuneral-homes.com



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Loeger, Richard J.

Richard J. Loeger, 92; beloved husband of the late Mary; father of Mary Beth (Joe) Lula, Judy (Corey) Schuster, Susan (Rich) Knorowski, Therese (Tom) Macek, Kathy (Kurt) Karrasch, Laura, Dan (Julie), Brian (Leanne), and David; grandfather of Jennifer, Linda, Julie, Jeffery, Karen, Michael, Karl, Amy, Kevin, Mark, Katie, Danielle, Anna, Julia, Quinn and Bryce; great grandfather of Zachary; uncle and friend to many. 39 years at Portec as Director of Accounting, loved golf and traveling to Door County. Funeral Friday 10 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home**, 5917 W. Irving Park Rd. (1/2 Block East of Austin) to St. Pascal Church. Mass 10:30 AM. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Visitation Thursday 3-9 PM. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Misericordia on behalf of David Loeger. For info 773-777-3944 or www.gffh.com

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Lucas, Larry J.

Larry J. Lucas, 78, beloved husband of Barbara Becker-Lucas and the late Rita Lucas; loving father of Debi (Andy) Karpinski, Marla (Craig) Stone, Sheryl (Todd) Henderson and stepfather of Jody (Gary) Castino and Mitchell Becker; devoted grandfather of Trace, Zachary, Caleb, Stone, Gabe, Lucas, Ian, Vince, Bandon (Alicia) and the late Sonny; cherished Papa Larry of Michalina and Sonni; dear brother of Andrea, Steven, and the late Jerry and Glenn. Funeral service, Thursday 11:30 AM at the Chapel at Memorial Park Cemetery, 9900 Gross Point Road, Skokie, followed by interment. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. For information or to leave condolences, **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.



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Madejczyk, Edward S.

Edward S. Madejczyk, age 78. Loving husband of Joyce Madejczyk for 55 blissful years. Beloved father of Kenneth (Mary Ann) and Lori (Joseph) Meyer. Cherished grandfather of Nicholas (fiancee Christy) and Melissa Madejczyk, Christopher and Jessica Meyer. Dear brother of Diana (the late James) Murray and brother in law of Audrey (the late Bud) Marquette. Fond uncle, friend and neighbor of many. Proud retired employee of Procter and Gamble. Ed enjoyed traveling, singing in the church choir, and gardening, but he most enjoyed spending time with his family. Ed will be missed by all the lives he touched. Visitation Sunday, March 3rd, 3:00 – 8:00 P.M. at **Friedrichs Funeral Home**, 320 W. Central Rd. at Northwest Highway, Mt. Prospect. Visitation Monday, March 4th, 10:00 A.M. until Funeral Mass 11:00 A.M. at Our Lady of the Wayside Church, 434 W Park St, Arlington Heights, IL 60005. Entombment Maryhill Cemetery. Funeral information call 847-255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com

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Mantynband, Barbara Ann

Barbara Ann Mantynband (nee Bunda), 68, social worker, of Norwood Park, passed away peacefully at home February 24, 2019. A graduate of Cardinal Stritch High School, Barb earned her B.S. in Child Development and her M.S. in Early Childhood Education, from Northern Illinois University. She dedicated her life to the service of others, and worked at DCFS for 25 years as a technical assistant to childcare centers. Beloved wife of 25 years to Martyn Louis Mantynband. Preceded in death by parents Joseph Anton Bunda and Leda Flora Bunda (nee Bassini) and brother George Joseph (Sherry) Bunda. Beloved "Auntie Barb" to the Holtkamp, Eichinger, Saunders, Campagna, Martorano, and Pellegrini Families. Celebration of Barb's life March 2, 2019 at 11:30AM, St. Tarcissus; 6040 W. Ardmore Ave, Chicago, IL 60646. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the following charities: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Shriners Hospitals for Children, or PAWS - Chicago. Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or www.cremation-society.com.

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Marsh, Lawrence E. "Larry"

Lawrence (Larry) E. Marsh (86), founder of the first Arlington Million, co-founder of Hollywood Park Racetrack in Los Angeles, member of both the IHHA Illinois Harness Racing Hall of Fame and the Illinois Standardbred Racing Hall of Fame, and most eligible bachelor from coast to coast passed away peacefully in his home in Safford, AZ on Saturday February 16th.

Son of the late Ernest S. Marsh, President and Chairman of the Santa Fe Railway, and Agnes LaLonde Marsh, loving brother of Jack, Peggy (Lambert), Neva Jo (Schiltz), and Colleen (McCarthy), Larry is survived by his adoring 14 nieces and nephews, their many children, and their many more children's children. Larry's love for his family was only rivaled by his deep love for animals. He raised many award winning horses and dogs throughout his lifetime and devoted extensive time to rescuing and rehoming animals due to natural disasters.

Possessed with an entrepreneurial spirit, Larry began his working career as a cook at Evanston Hospital at age 13 before attending the University of Colorado, where he studied Marketing. After graduating, a stint in the United States Navy and a short while working as an engineer on the Santa Fe Railway, Larry embarked on a decorated and trailblazing career as a Hall-of-Fame horseman. He was lauded as "the man who really changed the face of" and "the finest thing ever to happen in the history of" Illinois racing (John Berry - Illinois Sulky News; Chicago Tribune, March 16, 1967). During his tenure in Thoroughbred and Harness Racing, he impacted nearly every aspect of the business. Working as a Lobbyist and Director of Racing and Racing Secretary for Arlington Park and Washington Park, Larry was also founder of Marsh Stud, a state-of-the-art breeding and training facility that was home to celebrated horses Poplar Byrd, Egyptian Dancer, Nevele Dancer, and more. His passion for the industry took him to California, where he co-founded the Hollywood Park Racetrack and served as the Director for the United States Trotting Association.

After retiring from the world of racing, Larry's passion for innovation and sustainability led him to create Solarflame Inc., one of the first solar energy companies, and LeRoy Power Alcohol, Inc., an ethanol fuel production company. He spent much of his later years as a certified EMT and ACE certified personal trainer, using his experience as the 1994, 1995, 1998, and 1999 National Champion of the AWA Olympic Weightlifting Masters Track and Field (Seniors Swimming, Seniors Powerlifting) to inspire his peers and improve the health of seniors across the country.

A man of endless curiosity, unsurmountable drive, and impressive vision, Larry will forever be remembered by those that love him for his passion, beautiful voice, laugh that could light any room, and for the love and generosity. Visitation Saturday, March 2, 2019 10:00 a.m. until time of the Funeral Service 11:30 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Blvd. at Old Orchard Rod. Skokie, IL 60077. Interment: All Saints Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution to Illinois Equine Human Center, 47W635 Beith Road, Maple Park, IL 60151 or PAWS, PO Box 1037, Lynnwood, WA 98046. Info: 847 675-1990 or www.donnellanfuneral.com.



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McNelis, David Andrew

David A. McNelis, 44, of Colona, IL passed away at his home on Saturday, February 16, 2019. David was born on June 24, 1974, in Chicago, Illinois, the son of James and Florence C. (Ireland) McNelis. Full Obit: www.esterdahl.com

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Naudziunas, Sister M. Andreaa

Sister M. Andreaa Naudziunas, SSC, 96, educator and administrator. Beloved member of the Sisters of St. Casimir for 76 years, died February 22, 2019. Sister Andreaa taught in elementary schools in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Illinois and high schools in Pennsylvania and Nebraska. She also ministered as congregational treasurer at Holy Cross Hospital and Maria High School in Chicago. Sister M. Andreaa was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Emilia Naudziunas, brothers Rev. Andrew Naudziunas, MIC, Rev. Joseph Naudziunas, Ernest Naudziunas, and Albert Naudziunas, and nephews Paul Opanasets and Frederick Opanasets. Visitation: at Franciscan Village Chapel, 1270 Village Drive, Lemont, IL Friday, March 1, 2019 10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Wake Service: 10:45 a.m. Mass of Resurrection: Franciscan Village Chapel Friday, March 1, 2019 11:30 a.m. Followed by interment, St. Casimir Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the SSC Retirement Fund. 773-776-1324 Sisters of St. Casimir 2601 W Marquette Road, Chicago, IL 60629



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Olsson, Iris D.

Iris D. Olsson, nee Jorgensen. Age 82. Beloved wife of the late Burton. Loving mother of Lisa (the late Dave) Heim, Sonia (Pat) Mackenzie and Kristina (Brian) Zehren. Dear grandmother of Benjamin, Rebecca, Michael and Dylan. Visitation Sunday, March 3, from 1 p.m. until time of service, 2 p.m., at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 205 N. Prospect, Park Ridge. Private burial in Town of Maine Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, www.alzfdn.org, are appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**. For info., www.ryan-parke.com.

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Paramski, Edward M.

Edward M. Paramski, 90, of Libertyville, IL passed away peacefully at home on February 12, 2019. He is survived by his loving wife Thelma M. Paramski; his daughter Terri (Richard) Garrett of Antioch, IL; his 5 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and many, many nieces & nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Anthony & Petronella Paramski; his siblings Annie, Tony, John, Rose, Violet, Christine (Minnie), Walter, and Frank; his daughter Kay Gormley; and his granddaughter Lindsay Garrett. A memorial service will be held Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at the Greenbelt Cultural Center (Lake County Forest Preserve), 1215 Green Bay Road, North Chicago, IL. Visitation from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

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Patinkin, Howard

Howard Phillip Patinkin, 86, devoted husband of Sheila Lopin Goode; cherished father-in-law of William Levy (Patrick Schwarz) and stepfather of Andrea (Christopher) Barber, and Steven (Ann) Goode; beloved grandfather of Daniel Levy, Rebecca Levy, Jack Barber, and Juliana, Ellis and Sam Goode; dear son of the late Morris and Gertrude; caring brother of the late Charlotte (the late Mitchell) Taibleson and Rachel (the late Loren) Grainer; fond brother-in-law of Melynda Lopin; father of Dawn Eve Patinkin Levy and Stacy Oliver; uncle, great uncle, and friend of many. Howard served proudly in the Chicago Police Department for 36 years, achieving the rank of Deputy Chief. Howard was also an attorney, and after retiring from the CPD, he served as an Administrative Law Judge for the City of Chicago. Howard was a proud veteran of the Korean War. Howard loved to spend time with his family, particularly his 6 grandchildren, friends, and was an avid reader, loved movies and all police themed television shows. Mr. Patinkin was a charter member of the Shomrim Society of Illinois, a member of Chicago Lodge 437 Masonic Temple, and Shriners. Chapel service Thursday 10:00 AM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (alzfdn.org) or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS.org). For information or to leave condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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Pedersen, Robert J

Robert J. Pedersen age 96, beloved husband of the late Felicia nee Klamczynski, dearest father of Robert (Darlene) Pedersen, Patricia Kalina, and Judy (Tom) Fitzgerald, loving grandfather of Tina (late Dan) Montag, Craig (Teresa) Pedersen, Carrie Pedersen, Kirsten (Thomas) Hott, Joshua Kalina, Megan (Julia Sullivan) Kalina, Stacey (Jason) Elders, Matthew (Amy) Fitzgerald, Heather (Joe) Mayor, great grandfather of 16, great great grandfather of 2. Visitation Friday 3pm until 8pm at **SKAJA Terrace Funeral Home** 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave. Niles, IL 60714. Funeral Saturday 11:30AM. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Funeral info 847-966-7302 or www.skajafuneralhomes.com

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Phillips, Sally

Sally Phillips, age 87. Dearest sister of Jim (the late Lorraine), Ernie (the late Maryann); Andy (Judy), the late Vickie (the late Kosta), the late Tulla (the late Constant) Piccionelli, the late George (the late Ann), the late Nick (the late Josie), the late Gus Phillips and the late John Phillips; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. We will miss her smile, her generosity, her stubbornness, her sassy and quick wit and candid unfiltered comments and her unique sheet folding methods. May your memory be eternal. Visitation Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until time of service at noon at GL Hills Funeral Home 745 Graceland Avenue, Des Plaines, IL 60016. Interment at Elmwood Cemetery, River Grove, IL. For information 847.699.9003 or gllhillsfuneralhome.com.

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Porras, Luz

Luz Porras, age 96, passed away February 25, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Samuel; Loving mother of Luz (Ray) Rodriguez, Samuel (Laura), Arturo (Gloria) and Hector; Dear grandmother of five and great-grandmother of seven; Cherished sister of Rosa. Visitation Friday, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Nelson Funeral Home** 820 W. Talcott Rd, Park Ridge. Prayers Saturday 9:15 a.m. to Our Lady of Ransom Church, Niles for Mass of Christian Burial 10:00 a.m. Interment Town of Maine Cemetery, Park Ridge. For info. 847-823-5122 or www.nelsonfunerals.com.

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Rhodes, Ellen

Ellen Rhodes (nee Eichhorn), age 79, a resident of Naperville, IL since 1977, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at Edward Hospital in Naperville. She was born July 3, 1939 in Bluffton, IN. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL**. For service times and a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.

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RIGGIO, THOMAS C.

Thomas C. Riggio, age 77, of Naperville, IL, a life-long area resident. Beloved husband for 45 years to Gail J., nee Fiala; loving step-father of Lee E.(Leah)Kennetz; dear brother of Robert (Linda)Riggio and Lindy Gonzalez; fond uncle of Theresa, Todd, and Kathryn. Thomas served in the Air Force and the Air Force Reserves, owned and operated Inner Security Systems, which he started in 1971. Visitation will be Friday, March 1, 2019 from 3 - 8 p.m. at Toon Funeral Home, 4920 Main Street, Downers Grove, IL 60515. Private Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Memorials to the Salvation Army, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, or the U.S.O. would be appreciated. For additional Information, www.toonfuneralhome.com or 630-968-0408.

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Roll, Sr., Carl R.

Carl R. Roll, Sr., "Herm", 86, beloved husband of the late Shirley, nee Ibsen, loving father of Carl "Rick", Jr. (Debbie), Diana Roll and Laura Christiansen. Devoted Grandfather of Richie, Nicole (Teitje), Kyle and Sarah May; Great-grandfather of Hannah. Cherished son of the late Karl and late Theresa. Devoted brother of Carol (Kurt) Meister and Joyce (Jim) Czochoer. Fond brother-in-law of the late Joe Ibsen. Dear uncle and friend of many. Carl was a member of the Lion's Club, Moose Lodge, Lakeview Lodge #166, Verdandi Lodge #3, Niles Senior Center and a Volunteer with the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Visitation Thursday, February 28, from 3:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m., at **COLONIAL-WOJCIECHOWSKI FUNERAL HOME**, (Mark A. Rizzo, Director), 8025 W. Golf Rd., Niles. Funeral Services Friday, March 1, at 11:00 a.m. at the Funeral Home. Burial to follow at Ridgewood Cemetery. For more information, please call 847-581-0536 or www.colonialfuneral.com

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Rosenthal, Constance Marie

Constance Marie Rosenthal, age 55, a long-time resident of Naperville, passed away on Sunday, February 24, 2019, with her family by her side. She was born on April 19, 1963, in Chicago to Ronald and Virginia (Pocius) Becvar. Growing up in Orland Park, Connie graduated from Andrew HS. She earned a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois and an MBA from the University of Chicago. Connie is the beloved wife of Richard Rosenthal, loving mother of Karen (fiancé Clayton Brzezinski) and Michael Beatty, adored sister of Jeanine (Len) Pawelczyk, Ken (Cathy) Becvar, and Scott (Colleen) Becvar, and wonderful aunt to numerous nieces and nephews. Family and friends were touched by her perpetual kindness, generosity, and thoughtfulness. She enjoyed golfing at Naperville Country Club, baking, and volunteering. Visitation will be held on Friday, March 1, from 2-8 pm at **Beideman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 516 S. Washington St., Naperville. Prayers at 8:45 am on Saturday, March 2, from the funeral home to Holy Spirit Catholic Community, 2003 Hassert Blvd., Naperville, for mass at 10:00 am. A luncheon will follow. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Connie may be made to Breast Cancer Research Foundation, Dominican Literacy Center, or My Joyful Heart. For more information, www.beideman-kunschfh.com (630) 355-0264.

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Rothschild, Albert

Albert Rothschild, age 80, retired Chairman of MDC Wallcoverings, beloved husband and best friend for 58 years of Joyce Rothschild, nee Kovel; loving father of Sharon (Andrew) Bresler, Gary (Jennifer) Rothschild, and Bonnie (John) Lapeire; adored grandpa of Samantha, Melanie, Danielle, Jake, Adam, Julia, Hannah, Lily, and Zach; devoted son of the late Ludwig and the late Eva Rothschild; treasured companion of Roxxy. Service Thursday, 11:00 a.m. at Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Ave., Glencoe. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, www.pancan.org. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

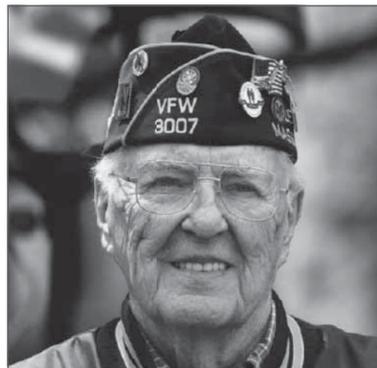
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RUPAR, JOHN CHRISTOPHER

John Christopher Rupar, 21, of Westmont. Beloved son of Wayne and Karen. Dear brother of Sarah. Visitation 9am until Funeral Mass 11:15am Thursday, Feb. 28, 2019 at St. John of the Cross Church, 5101 S. Wolf Rd., Western Springs, IL 60558. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to St. John of the Cross Church (address above) appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** at 708/352-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com

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Sachs, Bernice

Bernice Sachs, 93, of Chicago. Beloved mother of Janice (Michael) Cohen and Robin Sachs; cherished grandmother of Miles (Lisa) Cohen, Jennifer Maxon and Jessica (Dan) Hornig; proud great grandmother of eight. Funeral services will be private. Memorial contributions to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (www.stjude.org) appreciated. For Shiva information 847-256-5700.

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Santucci, Anthony Joseph 'Tony'

Anthony "Tony" Joseph Santucci, 96, born on March 21, 1922 lately of Wheaton, IL (formerly of Broadview) passed away on Wednesday evening Feb. 20, 2019 of natural causes at Central DuPage Hospital. Anthony was born in Chicago, son of the late Michael and Alessandra Santucci. He was married to the late Lorraine (nee Jensen) Santucci for 69 years. While serving his country in the US Army for 3 years during World War II in the European Theater, he was wounded at the Battle of the Bulge. Serving as a 2nd Lieutenant, he received the Purple Heart for military merit and was awarded the Coeur de Guerre from General DeGaulle. After more than ten years of volunteering with his fellow veterans, "his guys," at the Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital, the thrill of Tony's life was his trip with Honor Flight Chicago along with 90 other WWII veterans, an experience he shared with everyone. He loved to golf, dance to big band and swing music, swim and make great deals on cars.

Anthony had a colorful work history, a jack of all trades, and was most proud of his civil engineering accomplishments. He is survived by his four children Dennis (Judith) Santucci of Elmhurst, IL; Sandra (Santucci) Stamer of Glen Ellyn, IL; Michael Santucci of Prescott, AZ; and LinMarie DiCianni of Wheeler, OR. He was grandpa to eight grandchildren, and had sixteen great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild. Anthony was preceded in death by his siblings Louis Santucci, Theresa Vigna, and Francis Santucci.

A memorial service will be held at **Brust Funeral Home**, 135 S. Main Street, Lombard, IL at 11:30am on Saturday, March 2, 2019 with visitation beginning at 10:00am.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Honor Flight Chicago, 9701 W. Higgins Rd. Suite 310, Rosemont, IL 60018 (www.honorflightchicago.org).

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Schmitt, Betsy

Betsy Belding Schmitt, 84, passed away on February 24, 2019 in Lake Forest, IL. She was the beloved daughter of Elsie and Lester Belding and was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, Paul Schmitt. She is the loving mother of Becky, Steve (Gina), and Tom (Jane), the cherished grandmother of Monica, Brian, Kevin, Allison and Emily, and the dear sister of Emily Ann Belding Curtis. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 2 at 2pm at First Presbyterian Church of Deerfield, 824 Waukegan Road, Deerfield, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lester Belding Memorial Scholarship at North Central College, 30 North Brainard St, Naperville, IL 60540. For info or directions please contact Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home at 847-831-4260 or www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com

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Stanton, John K.

John K. Stanton, 74, of Crystal Lake, loving husband of Bonnie "Kay" nee Clarke. Dear brother of Margaret (Don) Wood and the late James (Sue) Stanton. Brother in law of Lauretta (Michael) Nielsen, Paul Clarke, Peter (Nancy) Clarke, Maureen (Ronald) Stranski, Patrick Clarke and Anne (James) Krueger. Beloved uncle and grand uncle of many. Loving son of Mary, nee Quigley and Kenneth Stanton. Funeral Mass on Friday, March 1, 11:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 451 W. Terra Cotta Ave., Crystal Lake, IL. Please omit flowers. Donations to a charity of your choice.

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Strom, Rosalie

Rosalie Strom nee Vernon, age 89. Beloved wife of Kenneth Strom; loving mother of Susan (Frank) McCabe, Jeffrey Strom, Kenneth (Laura) Strom, Sandy (David) Centa and the late Linda Strom; Proud grandmother of Kendall (Michael) Anthony, Jenifer (Casey) Purta, Jack Strom, Colin and Justin Centa; dear sister of Ron (the late Mary Lou) Vernon and the late Roger (Delores) Vernon. Visitation Saturday, March 2, 2019 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at **Saint Mary Church, 1012 Lake Street, Evanston**, Illinois 60201. Funeral Mass to follow at 11:00 a.m. Interment Ascension Cemetery, Libertyville. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Sulzer, Donald Edward

Donald Edward Sulzer, age 83, of Downers Grove, passed quietly on February 24 after an exhausting fight with illness. He joins in peace his parents, Anna and Charles and his siblings: Edward, Evelyn, Florence, Laverne, Harry, Raymond, Norbert, Robert and Charlie, and his "brother at heart," Ken. Don lived a life of quiet dignity and service, distinguished by

38 years of employment with IC Industries and 20 years as President of the Mistwood Homeowners' Association. Don was, however, most defined by his singular devotion to his family: his wife of 61 plus years, Jo, and their children; Glenn (Laura), Mark (Susan), Leigh (Miles), and Kevin (Amy). The loss of his counsel, easy laugh, and gentle presence will be acutely felt by his grandchildren; Stephanie (Kevin), Brittany, Jonathan, Ben, Dylan, McKenzie, Lauren, Cameron, and Delaney; as well as by an extensive network of cousins, nieces and nephews and innumerable friends who shared his passion for golf and life. Visitation Friday, March 1, from 3-9 pm, at Knollcrest Funeral Home, 1500 S. Meyers Rd., Lombard, IL, 60148. Funeral Mass Saturday, March 2, at 10:30 am at St. Mary of Gostyn, 445 Prairie, Downers Grove, IL, 60515. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Lungevity, 228 S Wabash Ave #700, Chicago, IL 60604. Funeral Info: 630-932-1500 or Knollcrest.net.

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Sweeney, Thomas J.

Thomas J. Sweeney, 84, of the Galena Territory, a retired Chicago Police Officer. Loving husband of the late Kathleen Francis Pritchard. Passed away Saturday, February 23, 2019 in Rockford, IL. Funeral mass will be 11 AM Saturday, March 2, 2019 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Galena and where friends may gather after 10 AM until

time of mass. Military honors will be accorded at the church following the mass, by the Galena VFW #2665 and American Legion Post #193. Burial will be at a later date. Cremation rites have been accorded. The Furlong Funeral Chapel, Galena is assisting the family. Tom proudly served in the U.S. Navy aboard the aircraft carrier USS Intrepid where he saw action during the Lebanon Crisis. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame, Class of 1956. Tom received a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Lewis University, Class of 1984. He served as the Assistant Director for the City of Chicago Office of Municipal Investigation. Tom was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, American Legion, Elks, Knights of Columbus and Notre Dame Alumni Association. He was an avid life-long Chicago White Sox fan. Tom is survived by son, Brian (Griselda), Sgt. C.P.D., daughter Mary Beth (Dennis) Argudo and a granddaughter Nicole Argudo. He was the brother of the late Edward, Leo and Celeste (Ahern). In lieu of flowers please make contributions to the Salvation Army.

Online condolence may be left www.furlongfuneralchapel.com

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Twohig, Jr., William Richard 'Bill'

William "Bill" Richard Twohig, Jr., 66, of Plainfield, IL, devoted husband of Bonnie and father to Katie, passed away at his home on February 25, 2019, after a brave battle with liver cancer. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 28, 2019, from 2:00 PM-8:00 PM at the **Beideman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 24021 Royal Worlington Drive, Naperville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, March 1, 2019, at 10:00 AM at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church, 2220 Lisson Road, Naperville, with Father Scott Huggins officiating. Interment will follow at Risen Lord Cemetery, Oswego. A funeral luncheon will follow in the lower level of St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church. Info: 630-922-9630 or www.beideman-kunschfh.com

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Werth, Erwin M

Erwin M. Werth, 97 and 29 days. Beloved husband of the late Elaine A. Werth nee Iltis. Loving father Pamela (Jeffrey) Shovers, Andrew (Brenda) Werth and Deirdre (Edward) Glicken. Proud grandfather of Elizabeth Shovers (Joshua) Weinman, James Shovers, Zachary Glicken, Alexandra Werth, Samantha Glicken, Victoria Werth, Arianna Glicken, Charles Werth and Taylor Glicken. Dear brother of Mildred (the late Solomon) Spector, the late Archie (the late Ruth) Werth, the late Hannah (the late David) Choldin and the late Esther Eller. Cherished uncle, great uncle and great great uncle of many. Beloved "Papa Shoes" to his many Nordstrom colleagues and his many shoe loving clients. Service Wednesday 12 noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road) Skokie. Interment Memorial Park. Memorials to Honor Flight Chicago, 9701 W Higgins Road, Suite 310, Rosemont, IL 60018-4703 www.honorflightchicago.org or the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, IL 60077, www.ilholocaustmuseum.org would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel**, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Zajic, Eleanor A.

Eleanor A. Zajic, nee Bryja, age 94 of Lombard, Illinois, died February 19th. Beloved wife of 70 years of the late Edward Zajic; loving mother of Diane (Steve) Boger and Darcy (Craig) Lutz; devoted grandmother of Rachel (Mike) Libby, Brian (Emily) Boger, Jeff (Angie) Boger, Kelly (Brian) Cerier. She was a devoted wife and mother and enjoyed ballroom dancing, cooking, and keeping a beautiful home. Visitation Sunday, March 3, 2-8 pm at **Knollcrest Funeral Home**, 1500 S. Meyers Rd. (3 blks. S. of Roosevelt Rd.) Lombard. Funeral Monday, March, 9:45 am from the funeral home to Christ the King Catholic Church, 1501 S. Main St., Lombard. Mass 10:30 am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Funeral info: (630) 932-1500 or www.knollcrest.net

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 16-125 of the Illinois Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-125), the Board of Review of Cook County has, on this date, December 18, 2018, transmitted back to the Assessor of Cook County its final action on the following township/s in Cook County for the tax year 2018:

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Date at Chicago, Illinois by the Cook County Board of Review Room 601, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 February 22, 2019.

MICHAEL CABONARGI
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LARRY R. ROGERS, JR.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Justin Douglas

A MINOR
 NO. 2019JD00048

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Damone Mc Callister (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **January 10, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXK**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Linda Prael** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **03/12/2019 at 9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR 60 COURTROOM 12,

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
 February 27, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
M. Long, W. Lacy

ATTORNEY FOR:
 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
 ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
 CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
 COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Kailani Silva

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Karina Cruz (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00799

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Jeffrey Martinez Aka Saavedra (Father)**, **Jeffrey Martinez**, respondents, and **to All Whom it May Concern**, that on **August 21, 2018**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXK** 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 **03/13/2019, at 10:00 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.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 February 27, 2019

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BREMEN, ROGERS PARK

Date at Chicago, Illinois by the Cook County Board of Review Room 601, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 February 22, 2019.

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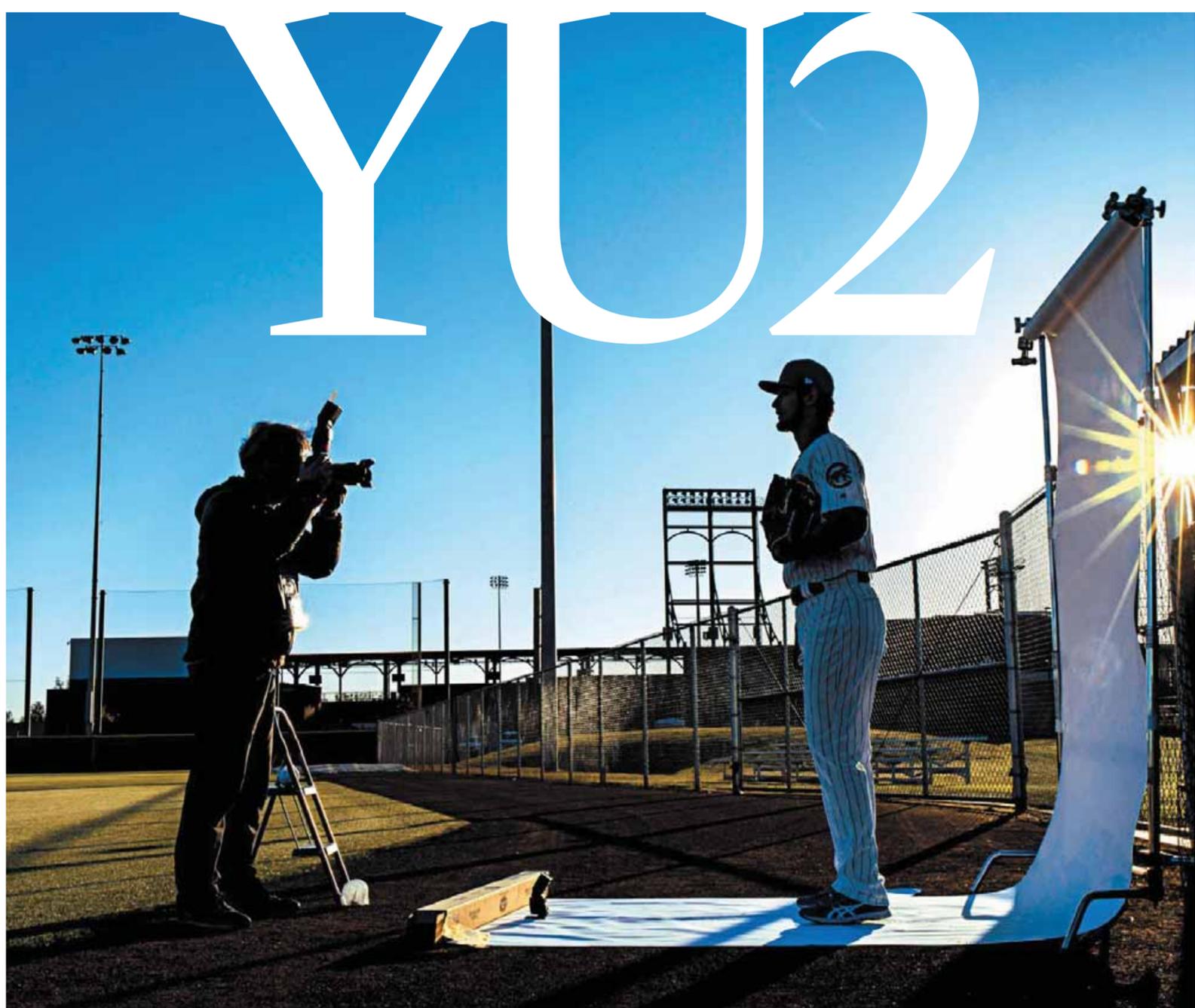
NOONAN & LIEBERMAN (38245) Attorneys 105 W. Adams, Chicago, Illinois 60603 STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK, ss - In the Circuit Court of Cook County, County Department - Chancery Division, Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as Owner Trustee of the Residential Credit Opportunities Trust V.B, Plaintiff, vs. CARY ROSENTHAL as Special representative of DORIS GODFREY a/k/a LU DORIS WARE GODFREY, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DORIS GODFREY a/k/a LU DORIS WARE GODFREY, LARRY GODFREY, CITY OF CHICAGO, JANE MARIE WARE, ERNESTINE WARE, JOLENE WARE, UNKNOWN OWNERS-TENANTS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2017-CH-7592. The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you JANE MARIE WARE, UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF DORIS GODFREY a/k/a LU DORIS WARE GODFREY and UNKNOWN OWNERS-TENANTS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Cook County, County Department - Chancery Division, 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 9 AND 10 IN BLOCK 9 IN CONSTANCE A SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTH WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PIN: 20-36-315-028-0000. Commonly known as: 8420 S. Jeffrey Blvd, Chicago IL, 60617, and which said Mortgage was made by LARRY GODFREY, DORIS GODFREY a/k/a LU DORIS WARE GODFREY, as Mortgage(s) to Mortgage Express, Inc., as Mortgagee, and recorded as document number 0010112391, and the present owner(s) of the property being LARRY GODFREY and DORIS GODFREY a/k/a LU DORIS WARE GODFREY, and for other relief: that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the 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 Circuit Court of Cook County, 50 W. Washington, Chicago IL 60602 located at 50 West Washington, Chicago, IL 60602, on or before MARCH 15, 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. Dated, Chicago, Illinois, February 4, 2019. Dorothy Brown, Clerk. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Pub: 2/13, 20, 27/2019 6137351

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE CSMC 2015-RPL4 TRUST, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2015-RPL4, Plaintiff v. KATIE SIMMONS, AKA KATIE M. SIMMONS, ROSIE SIMMONS, AKA ROSIE L. SIMMONS, STATE OF ILLINOIS, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH08411 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Katie Simmons, AKA Katie M. Simmons, 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 43 in Block 5 in Central Park Addition to Chicago, said Addition is laid out upon that part of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 14, Township 39 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian lying North of East Point Road in Cook County, Illinois. 3418 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60624 16-14-209-037-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Katie Simmons, AKA Katie M. Simmons, 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 15, 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 at <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, Sherry Day, at any time at that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. 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Pain-free Darvish ready to turn page from truncated 2018 season



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

MESA, Ariz. — When he reported to Sloan Park last year after signing a six-year, \$126 million deal, Yu Darvish was asked about the slow pace of free agency.

Darvish joked that he informed his agent: “If there is no team that meets our requirement, I’m ready to retire.”

The Yu Darvish era was underway, and optimism abounded that he would help take the Cubs back to the World Series.

But that first season turned into nightmare for Darvish, who stepped in quicksand his very first start and never recovered. It was aggravating to watch him pitch, and even more aggravating to hear he was almost ready to come off the disabled list, only to aggravate his arm injury.

By the time Darvish was declared out for the season, many fans probably wished he actually had retired. With Darvish the consensus choice as the biggest free-agent bust of 2018, the Cubs felt the need to acquire veteran Cole Hamels for the stretch run. Not knowing if Darvish would rebound, the Cubs picked up Hamels’ \$20 million option.

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MORE CUBS

Cubs reliever Tony Barnette says his time with the Yakult Swallows in Japan — plus some tutelage from Yu Darvish when Barnette made his MLB start with the Rangers — has made him the pitcher he is today. **Page 3**

In his first outing in a Cubs uniform since May 20, 2018, Yu Darvish averaged 94-95 on his fastball, but he also walked four in 1⅓ hitless innings Tuesday.

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WHITE SOX

Growing gains: Giolito is getting taller, stronger

An evolution revolution: Righty adjusts mentally, physically, mechanically

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Lucas Giolito is growing. Literally.

Last spring his White Sox physical revealed a stature of 6-foot-6¼. Last week he was measured at 6-7 — and not a result, he insists, of his poofy hair.

“No, the (physician) was stern in pressing down on my skull,” he said. “I don’t know if that was a bad day for me last year or if I’m still growing.”

Whether or not he is growing vertically, Giolito, 24, is certainly evolving — mentally, physically

and mechanically.

Mentally, he has detailed his efforts to control his breathing and boost his confidence by partaking in neurofeedback sessions: “Basically, they read your brainwaves.”

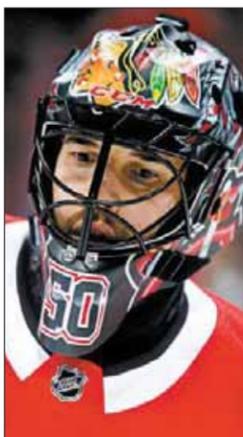
Physically, after a season in which he often got his butt kicked (6.13 ERA), Giolito spent the winter months working on his lower half.

“I got in the gym and honed in on strengthening the muscles in the areas I need to improve — leg strength, back of the legs,” he said.

As Tiger Woods puts it, the glutes need to be firing.

“Pretty much spot on,” Giolito replied. “I haven’t really fired the glutes, driven down the mountain and ridden the slope.”

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■ Blackhawks hoping Crow can make them go in push for a wild-card spot.

■ Humble Markkanen can’t deny he’s on a roll.

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BEARS

Long restructures deal to be more team friendly

Veteran’s contract adjustment creates more salary-cap space

BY BRAD BIGGS
Chicago Tribune

The longest-tenured player on the Bears offense will remain in place for 2019: Right guard Kyle Long has agreed to restructure his contract, the team confirmed Tuesday.

The new deal will create salary-cap space, eliminating doubt about whether he would return for a seventh season with the organization.

The 2013 first-round draft pick was to count \$8.5 million against the team’s salary cap this season with a base salary of \$6.9 million, a

\$100,000 workout bonus and \$1.5 million in proration from the signing bonus he received on his contract extension before the 2016 season.

Specifics of Long’s pay cut and the Bears’ savings remain to be seen. It’s possible the team created per-game roster bonuses in the reworked contract that will allow him to earn back some of the money, provided the three-time Pro Bowl selection remains healthy and on the field.

The Bears were projected to have about \$11 million in cap space before this move. That doesn’t take into account the release of kicker Cody Parkey, which officially has not been made. Parkey is fully guaranteed \$3.5 million for next season.

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TOP OF THE SECOND



PHIL ROSENTHAL

Lester right to rip pitch clock

Think of what a fan goes through to attend a major-league baseball game. Between the cost of tickets, the hassle of getting to the ballpark, the lines and expense at the concession stands, it's a commitment.

You have to love the game to go through all of that, and after going through all of that for something you love, you're not necessarily in a rush to see it end.

You just want it to be worth your time. That's why Cubs starter Jon Lester is right to be dismissive of the pitch clocks Major League Baseball is trying at spring training with an eye to possibly using them during the regular season.

"Baseball is baseball," Lester told reporters in Arizona this week. "You're not going to speed it up. You're not going to change it. You can put the pitch clock there. The game is going to flow the way the game flows.

"If you have a 6-5 game, it's going to be 3½ hours. If you have a 2-1 game, it's going to be 2:50. We have to get over the whole mindset of changing the pace of play as opposed to the product on the field."

Baseball fans will tell you ball games need to breathe to be fully enjoyed. Good games make for the optimal fan experience.

TV executives may want the games to end faster, but what TV executives need more than that are fans who love the games enough to watch them.

When there's something you love, you're usually in no rush to get it over with. Baseball isn't the same as getting off an airplane.

No one complains that "The Godfather" and "The Godfather Part II" are too long. "The Godfather Part III," on the other hand, could be halved to 81 minutes and still seem too long.

Netflix subscribers binge-watch TV series for several hours at a sitting.

Baseball simply needs to hold your interest. Compelling games, great play and charismatic players do that.

I concede I have great affinity for the sort of no-nonsense pitchers, such as Mark Buehrle, who could be relied upon to speed things along.

I, too, miss the days when major-league games averaged 2½ hours.

I also miss \$4 field box seats, Bat Day, unreserved grandstand tickets, weekend day World Series games, regular Sunday doubleheaders and Jack Brickhouse.

None of that is coming back either.



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Asked about baseball's spring training experiment with pitch clocks, Cubs starter Jon Lester said: "We have to get over the whole mindset of changing the pace of play."

The last season in which major-league games of nine innings or shorter clocked in with an average time below 2:44 was 1984.

Home runs and strikeouts take time, and those have become the focus of baseball in recent years. More balls in play likely would speed things up or at least would feel like it. But it seems as though the sport has been talking about pace-of-play concerns for at least half a century.

The nine-inning average last year, according to baseball-reference.com, was 3:00. In 2017, 3:05. 2016, 3:00. 2015, 2:56. 2014, 3:02. Why the urgency to hurry now?

Rule 5.07 (c) (8.04) is already on the books concerning pitcher delays. It says that when no one is on base, the pitcher has 12 seconds after he receives the ball to deliver it to the batter. Each violation is supposed to result in a ball called by the umpire.

"The 12-second timing starts when the pitcher is in possession of the ball and the batter is in the box, alert to the pitcher," the rule says. "The timing stops when the pitcher releases the ball."

While it's generally understood the perceived problem with the length of time between pitches is more acute when runners are on base, enforcement of the existing delay rule would seem a better

strategy than the window dressing of a pitch clock.

"I'm not going to pay any attention to (the clock)," Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw told reporters last week. "If I go over it, then I go over. I'm not going to change anything I do."

Frankly, many things in sports need to be sped up, such as:

- Replay reviews.
- The second half of the NBA season.
- The final two minutes of every college basketball game.
- The NFL preseason.
- The White Sox, Bulls and Blackhawks returning to title contention.

The length of baseball games isn't necessarily one of them.

Personally, I'd work on shortening the length of the major-league season first.

Lester was asked about pitch clocks after he pitched Monday in a Cactus League game. "Sure," he said. "Whatever makes people feel better."

His disregard is understandable.

It takes a lot for a pitcher to get to a major-league game too. They're in no rush to end it either.

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BASEBALL

Arenado opts for 8-year extension



Even as this winter's tumultuous free-agent market careens toward its big-bang ending, the market for next offseason was jolted Tuesday when third baseman Nolan

Arenado, its theoretical top prize, instead took himself off the market by reportedly agreeing to a record-setting, eight-year, \$260 million extension to remain with the Rockies.

Arenado, 27, will now be the highest-paid position player in the game — at least until current free agent Bryce Harper signs — with an average annual value of \$32.5 million, just ahead of the \$31 million of Tigers designated hitter Miguel Cabrera, and behind the top earner in the sport, Diamondbacks pitcher Zack Greinke, at \$34.4 million.

The contract was also the fourth-largest overall in baseball history, eclipsed only by Giancarlo Stanton's 13-year, \$325 million extension with the Marlins in 2014, Manny Machado's 10-year, \$300 million free-agent deal with the Padres last week and Alex Rodriguez's 10-year, \$275 million deal with the Yankees in 2007.

With Arenado now off the market — his deal begins this season, and contains both a no-trade clause and an opt-out that could allow him to become a free agent after the 2021 season — that leaves Nationals third baseman Anthony Rendon, at least for now, as the top position player on the 2019-20 free-agent market.

Others slated to be free agents that winter include Astros pitchers Gerrit Cole and Justin Verlander, Red Sox pitcher Chris Sale and Cardinals first baseman Paul Goldschmidt.

Some of those names, including Rendon, could also come off the market in the coming months by signing extensions with their current teams.

Arenado is one of the best all-around players in baseball, a four-time All-Star and six-time Gold Glove winner who is the face of a Rockies franchise that has earned a wild-card playoff berth in each of the last two seasons.

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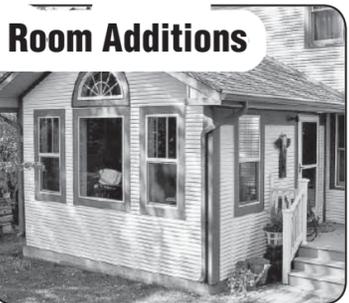


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Darvish set to turn page from '18

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But now Darvish is back in camp with a chance to make amends. He can't erase the past, but if he pitches the way he's supposed to, he will gradually earn Cubs fans' trust.

Darvish said he's pain-free, and he seemingly has a new attitude and a desire to prove the Cubs knew what they were doing when they dumped a wheelbarrow full of cash at his feet.

"He appears to be much more relaxed, definitely into the flow of things a lot more easily this year," manager Joe Maddon said Tuesday at Sloan Park. "Throwing really well. The workouts have been fantastic ... conversationally, much more at ease."

As for Darvish's spring debut Tuesday, it was fine velocity-wise, though unimpressive command-wise. He hit 96 mph on the radar gun and averaged 94-95 on his fastball. But he also walked four in 1⅓ hitless innings while allowing one earned run (two overall).

It could've been better. We've seen worse. "This is like my first outing in my life," he said afterward. "I'm not throwing for the last seven months, so I was so excited."

Darvish said he's smiling more than he has since he came to the major leagues from Japan seven years ago because he's healthy and "learned things" from his lost season. The self-induced pressure is off.

"Before I worried about my future, I was scared for my future," he said. "Now I'm living in the now, so that makes me more confident."

Darvish has even decided to communicate with the media in English, which he speaks very well. Why did he ditch the interpreter?

"An interpreter is expensive for the organization, right?" he cracked.

Darvish started out well, retiring the first two Diamondbacks hitters he faced before walking the next two. He got out of

the inning with a deep fly to the warning track in center that Albert Almora Jr. chased down, then sat in the dugout for about a half hour as the Cubs scored four runs in the bottom of the first.

Darvish started the second by walking two of the first three hitters, forcing Maddon to make the slow walk to the mound to remove him after 36 pitches. It was nothing to get alarmed about, and everyone says Darvish has been looking strong in bullpen sessions. He looked a bit over-amped in his first outing since May 20.

"I couldn't throw strikes with the breaking ball," he said. "I never had that before. I'm a breaking-ball pitcher. But that's going to happen during the season. I'll get there the next outing."

Darvish was the third huge free-agent signing President Theo Epstein made with the Cubs since 2014. Epstein gave Jon Lester a six-year, \$155 million deal before the 2015 season and outfielder Jason Heyward an eight-year, \$184 million contract before 2016. Heyward hasn't lived up to his megadeal so far, but his defense was factor in the Cubs' 2016 title and he still has a chance to become a consistent offensive threat. Lester's contract already has paid off, so anything he does in the last two years is really a bonus.

If Darvish doesn't have a solid comeback year in 2018, his stay in Chicago could get ugly. But he deserves a chance to show last year was an aberration. And now that he's comfortable dealing with the media, his thoughts won't be lost in translation.

"You guys understand what I'm thinking from my (own) mouth, not an interpreter," he said. "That means a lot to me."

Is this the new Yu?
We'll find out soon enough.

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Giolito is getting taller, stronger

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"It's a good feeling to finally make that adjustment. I've been working on it the last three years."

Giolito's biggest change is easy to spot. Mechanically, he looks like a different pitcher. The right-hander has a much shorter arm swing. He is more compact. He calls his delivery "cleaner and more efficient."

When he removes his right hand from his glove, he does not extend his arm out wide. It stays closer to his right ear.

"It's more direct to my good firing position," he said. "I feel more athletic. You can compare it to how an infielder throws a baseball. It just happened naturally over the offseason and it feels really good, so I'm going with it."

A former first-round pick by the Nation-

als, Giolito came to the Sox with Reynaldo Lopez and Dane Dunning in the 2016 Adam Eaton trade. He scuffled last season (90 walks in 171⅓ innings), but the Sox stuck with him, giving him 32 starts.

The talk was that, as a tall pitcher, Giolito struggled to repeat his mechanics.

But as he said: "There are advantages to being 6-7 with long arms. When I get on top of a baseball and drive it down, I have an angle that a lot of guys can't see."

Giolito will make his Cactus League debut Thursday against the Mariners in Peoria. He's ready to put his new throwing motion on public display.

"It feels supernatural," he said before adding, "not supernatural but very natural."

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CUBS & WHITE SOX

CUBS TAKEAWAYS

Darvish rusty in spring debut

By MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Here are five takeaways from Cubs spring training Tuesday:

1. Yu Darvish is healthy but showed some rust.

Yu Darvish had every right to be happy Tuesday. He felt no discomfort in his surgically repaired right elbow after his fastball was clocked at 96 mph against the Diamondbacks in his first spring start.

"No pain," Darvish said. "That was a huge part. It was a great day for me. My last outing with (Class A) South Bend I was throwing 86 to 89 mph."

The South Bend outing was a rehab assignment was on Aug. 19 and led to surgery.

The only mystifying aspect of Darvish's spring start, however, was his lack of command. Darvish threw only 17 of 36 pitches for strikes and he was pulled after issuing his fourth walk to Jazz Chisholm with one out in the second inning.

"I never had that before," Darvish said. "I'm a breaking-ball pitcher. I will get there in the next outing."

Nevertheless, Darvish, 32, was pleased after simply pitching in a game for the first time in seven months.

"This is like the first outing in my life," Darvish said.

The Cubs are counting on a healthy Darvish, who is in the second year of a six-year, \$126 million contract but made only eight starts last year because of elbow problems.

2. David Bote could return Wednesday after being.

Infielder David Bote, who was beamed Sunday by Giants ace Madison Bumgarner, has been cleared to return to the lineup as soon as Wednesday.

Bote is not taking his status for granted.

"There's no such thing as settling into the big leagues," said Bote, who took batting practice Tuesday. "There's no such thing as setting into a roster spot. I'm here grinding to prove I belong on this team and help this team win."

Bote praised the medical staffs of the Giants and Cubs for treating him immediately and putting him through several tests. Bote said he also appreciated that Bumgarner called him Sunday and sent him a text message Monday to check on him.

3. Nolan Arenado's contract could affect Kris Bryant.

All-Star third baseman Nolan Arenado reportedly has agreed to an eight-year, \$260 million contract to stay with the Rockies.

Arenado's deal, which averages \$32.5 million a year, could affect the long-term earning power of Cubs third baseman Kris Bryant.

Bryant, 26, will make \$12.9 million this year as a second-year arbitration-eligible player. He is not due to become a free agent until after the 2021 season, which will coincide with the expiration of the current collective bargaining agreement.

Bryant and the Cubs didn't come close to agreeing on a multiyear extension after the 2018 season, though a source rejected a report that Bryant turned down a \$200 million package.

4. Jason Heyward leaves for personal matter.

Right fielder Jason Heyward was scratched from Tuesday's game because of a personal matter, and his availability for Wednesday's game against the Rangers is uncertain.

Albert Almora Jr. moved to the leadoff spot and smacked a double off Zack Godley that fueled a four-run first inning.

5. Mike Montgomery remains patient.

Left-hander Mike Montgomery said his left shoulder felt fine after he threw a 30-pitch bullpen session.

Montgomery believes he'll be ready to pitch in a game after throwing two bullpen sessions, which are usually followed by two days off.

"We'll see what they want to do," Montgomery said. "For me, it doesn't matter. I'll be ready, even if I only go two or three innings max."



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Tony Barnette throws at training camp in Mesa, Ariz. Barnette spent the last three seasons with the Rangers.

Grateful Barnette on 13-year odyssey

Six years in Okinawa 'opened my eyes to the way I saw the world'

By MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — The one-hour morning commute from the west side of Phoenix to the Cubs spring training complex in Mesa, east of the city, doesn't seem so long to reliever Tony Barnette.

"I've made a farther haul," Barnette said. "I spent six years in Okinawa. That was a long haul."

But a worthwhile one for Barnette, who believes his development while pitching for the Yakult Swallows of the Japan Central League enabled him to take the step to the majors and stay there the last three seasons.

In the process, Barnette, 35, absorbed the Japanese culture and says "it helped mold me into who I am today."

"It changed my mind and opened my eyes to the way I saw a lot of the world," said Barnette, who was born in Anchorage, Alaska, played high school ball in Auburn, Wash., and advanced to Arizona State before embarking on a 13-year professional odyssey.

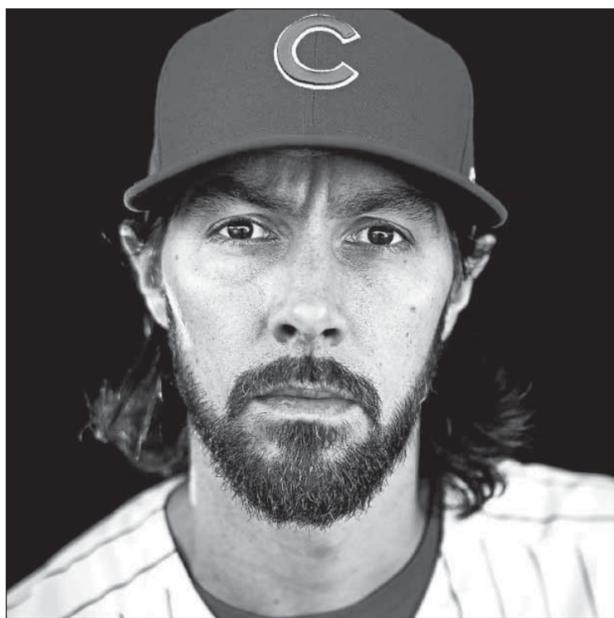
Barnette retained much of the Japanese culture he learned upon returning to the United States in 2016, when he signed with the Rangers. In Texas he joined Japanese star Yu Darvish, now his teammate again with the Cubs.

"(Barnette) did well for six years, and he always respected Japanese culture," said Darvish, who played for the Nippon Ham Fighters of the Japan Pacific League before coming to the majors in 2012. "He likes the sushi and Japanese food. We talk about Japan sometimes. He understands some of the language and knows the bad words."

"I said I was nervous every day last year because I didn't know the people here. I can't see him like that. He's very comfortable, like part of a family."

Barnette appreciates having Japanese natives Darvish and reliever Junichi Tazawa as teammates and sounding boards.

"You can bounce some of those theories and ideas of the differences in the baseball culture off them," Barnette said. "It's nice not to be the only one in the room. With those guys, it's fun for me to



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"Even though he's 35, he's got the energy of a 15-year-old. I love it."

— Cubs manager Joe Maddon on reliever Tony Barnette

keep my Japanese fluent."

Barnette didn't sign with the Cubs until Feb. 1, but he said he and his agent were in contact well before reaching an agreement. His desire to win a World Series title outweighed the fact the Cubs signed several veteran relievers.

"You walk in the room and you're automatically a part of a contending team that's racing for that No. 1 spot," Barnette said. "That's all we want to do is be world champs in 2019. You walk in this room and you're automatically given a chance to do that."

The six seasons in Japan gave Barnette the seasoning he needed to bolster his major-league credentials. He went 14-8 with a 5.79 ERA in 29 starts for Triple-A Reno in 2009, and the Diamondbacks left him unprotected in the Rule 5 draft, in which he wasn't selected.

"In hindsight, I wasn't ready for the jump from Triple A to the big leagues," he said. "So I went to Japan, and it changed a lot about the way I did a lot of things. It was six years of putting my head down and just continually trying to win and get better and better. That was

the only goal."

Barnette's stock reached a zenith during his final season with Yakult, in which he posted a 1.29 ERA in 59 appearances. That gave him the confidence to give major-league baseball one more shot.

In three seasons with the Rangers, Barnette compiled a 3.50 ERA in 125 games, but he didn't pitch after July 3 last season because of a lat injury. His final attempt to return was halted in early September, allowing him to prepare for free agency and 2019.

Cubs manager Joe Maddon described Barnette as an "interesting fellow" because of his unique path to the majors.

"He knows exactly what he needs to do and how to do it," Maddon said. "He was explaining to us how he went through Japan, and the different things you learn by going there is really fascinating. I want to watch him play."

"Even though he's 35, he's got the energy of a 15-year-old. I love it. He fits in very well."

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WHITE SOX NOTES

Madrigal vows not to slow down

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN
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GLENDALE, Ariz. — Nick Madrigal isn't shy. The fast-rising White Sox prospect knows only one speed — and it might get him a ticket on Arizona freeways.

Madrigal lined singles in his first two plate appearances Tuesday but got thrown out on the bases both times.

After stroking an opposite-field single to right off lefty Foster Griffin, Madrigal went for the steal. Griffin picked him off after a throw to second.

"He threw over once before; I thought he was going home," Madrigal said after the Sox's 9-7 victory over the Royals. "I should have waited a couple of pitches. I wanted to try to go today and get some (stolen) bases."

One inning later, the 5-foot-7 second baseman lined a single to left. With catcher James McCann motoring into third, Madrigal tried to stretch it into a double. He got thrown out.

"I thought that throw was going to get over his head and maybe go to third base," he said. "But it wasn't high enough. (The shortstop) cut it and redirected. It's one of those plays where I need to keep my head up and wait for it to get past him."

"I'm an aggressive baserunner. I'm going to go as hard as I can and force the defense to make a play. Especially in these games, I'm going to try to push the envelope and show my teammates that I'm trying to get extra bases. They didn't work out today. Maybe they weren't the smartest, but I felt good."

Asked if he got razzed by any teammates, Madrigal replied: "No, they were all congratulating me when I got the hits. They said a lot of great things to me."

Bad news: Pitcher Dane Dunning, the sixth-ranked prospect in the Sox system, has been sidelined with forearm discomfort and will be re-evaluated in the coming days.

It's not a good sign, given that the Sox shut down the 24-year-old right-hander in June because of elbow soreness. He took several months off but resurfaced in early October, throwing a 25-pitch bullpen session in Glendale.

He told MLB.com at the time: "It's nice that I'm finally able to get off a mound and get back to doing what I love."

Dunning excelled at Double-A Birmingham last season before the injury, posting a 2.76 ERA with 69 strikeouts in 62 innings.

BASEBALL NOTES

Angels of Long Beach?

Associated Press

Officials in Long Beach, Calif., have approached the Angels about building a downtown ballpark near the waterfront.

Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia told the Los Angeles Times that discussions are "very preliminary" and that they are exploring many options for a 13-acre parking lot adjacent to the convention center.

The Angels opted out of their lease at Angel Stadium in Anaheim in October. The Anaheim City Council voted in January to extend the lease by one year through 2020. Both sides continue to explore options on remaining in Anaheim, but team president John Carpino said they are exploring all options for a new or renovated ballpark.

Kershaw still sidelined: Clayton Kershaw is not expected to play catch again until Thursday as the Dodgers address his throwing discomfort.

The three-time NL Cy Young winner will not undergo an MRI, manager Dave Roberts said.

"Nothing new, nothing new, we're going to wait and see how it feels," Roberts said, affirming that at this point Kershaw remains the opening day starter.

The ace left-hander was shut down late last week with discomfort in the shoulder.

BEARS

NFL SCOUTING COMBINE

Pace ready to see his options for a mid-round marketplace

BY COLLEEN KANE
Chicago Tribune

The NFL scouting combine this week in Indianapolis will have a different feel for Bears general manager Ryan Pace than in years past.

After four straight years of top-10 draft picks that netted Kevin White, Leonard Floyd, Mitch Trubisky and Roquan Smith, the Bears won't make their first pick until the third round this year. They traded their top two picks to acquire Khalil Mack and move up in last year's draft to select Anthony Miller.

That doesn't mean Pace can't find an impact player at No. 87. Two of the Bears' seven Pro Bowlers this year were taken in the fourth round in 2017: safety Eddie Jackson at No. 112 and running back/returner Tarik Cohen at No. 119.

Here are five storylines we'll follow as Pace tries to mine mid-round players who can fill the needs of the defending NFC North champions.

1 | A running start?

The Bears' uneven production in the running game was a frequent topic of debate throughout the 2018 season.

Jordan Howard had a career-low 935 rushing yards on 3.7 yards per carry in his third season. He has one year remaining on his contract, but the Bears could look for his replacement a year early.

Pace found Howard in the fifth round and Cohen in the fourth, so perhaps he can find another running back gem who fits coach Matt Nagy's offense better than Howard.

Nagy said in January one of his priorities was to examine what went right and wrong in the running game.

"It wasn't as good as it should be, and the offense can be better," Nagy said. "Without a doubt. So I'm really excited to get with the coaches here ... and start really evaluating these guys and seeing the why part."

2 | Just for kicks

The hunt for a new kicker is on. The Bears are expected to release Cody Parkey at the start of the new league year in March, and they could try to find his replacement through free agency or the draft.

Parkey missed 8 of 34 field-goal attempts last season, including the playoffs, and three extra-point attempts. Despite owing Parkey \$3.5 million, the Bears are looking for a more stable option.

In January they signed Redford Jones, who last kicked for Tulsa in 2017, but they certainly will examine other competition.

3 | Defensive holes

The Bears bring back most of the starters from a defense that led the NFL with 177 points allowed per game and 27 interceptions. But Pace needs to address two major pieces with the impending free agency of safety Adrian Amos and nickel corner Bryce Callahan.

Amos, whom Pace drafted in the fifth round in 2015, has started 56 games over four seasons. He had a career-high two interceptions and nine passes defended in 2018, plus another interception in the Bears' playoff loss.

Callahan also has been a valuable, though not as durable, piece over four seasons. He had four interceptions and 12 passes defended the last two years, but he ended the 2018 season on injured reserve with a broken left foot.

The Bears must weigh the cost of bringing either back with against the possibilities for replacement in the draft and free agency.

4 | A new marriage

The Bears introduced defensive coordinator Chuck Pagano in late January, and Nagy will be able to offer his perspective of their first month together during his Wednesday news conference.

Nagy and Pagano, the Colts head coach from 2012 to '17, put together their defensive staff in that time and have begun hammering out a working relationship.

Nagy should be able to offer greater insight this week into Pagano's coaching style and what he values in his players and defense as a whole.

5 | More needs to fill

While the Bears have fewer needs than a year ago, there are holes to plug. Along with the aforementioned questions at running back, kicker, safety and nickel cornerback, the Bears likely are evaluating needs at tight end, edge rusher, interior offensive line and wide receiver.

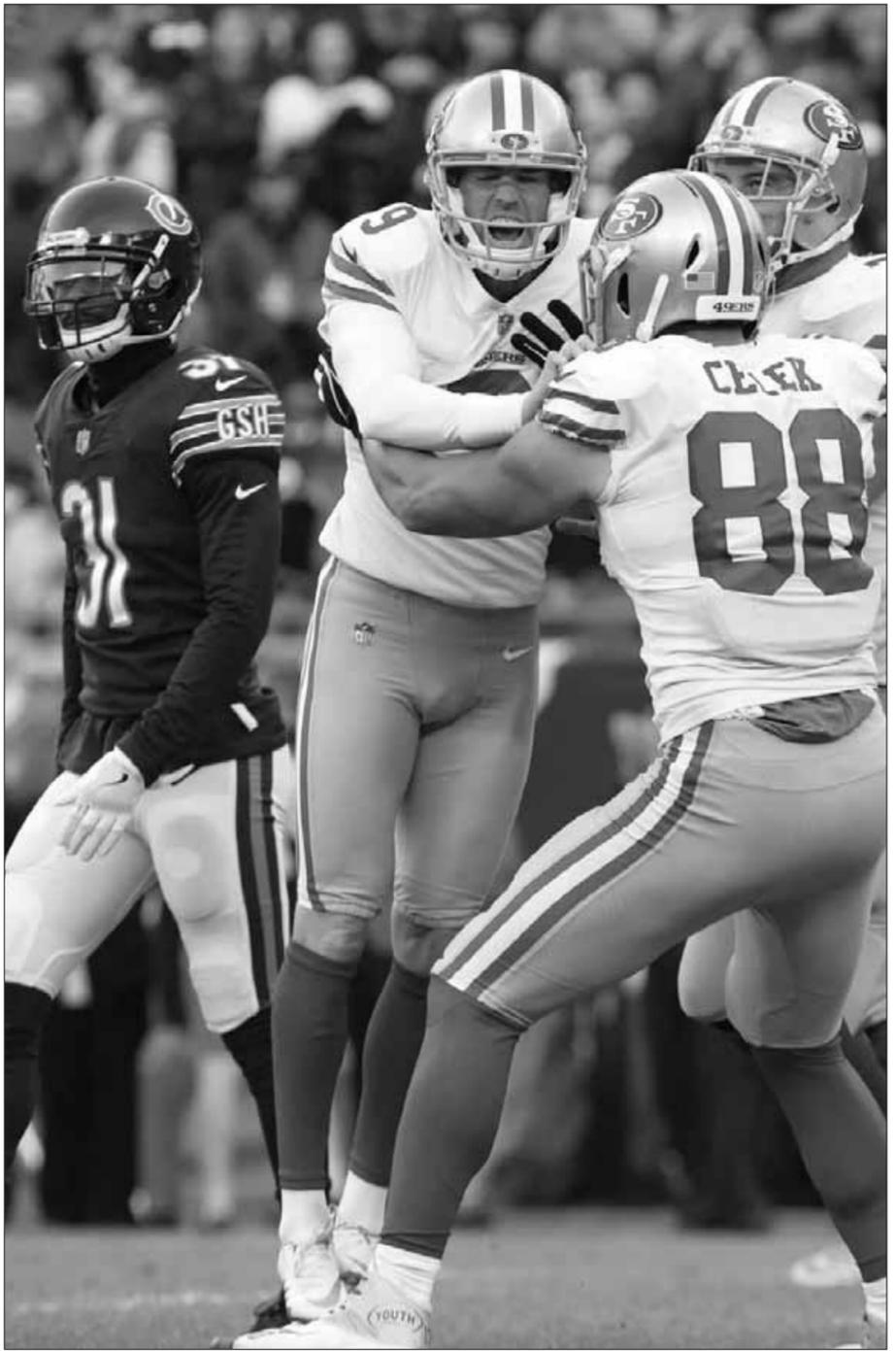
They released tight end Dion Sims last week and need to add to a group that includes Trey Burton and Adam Shaheen.

Outside linebacker Aaron Lynch is a free agent, so the Bears might want to add a backup for Mack and Floyd. They return guards Kyle Long and James Daniels but could look for additional depth there, especially considering Long's injury history.

And with Kevin White and Josh Bellamy set to be free agents, the Bears likely will look at potential wide receiver options.

They may not have a first-round pick, but there's a lot to consider.

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Robbie Gould, center, celebrates after his game-winning field goal for the 49ers against the Bears in 2017.

49ers put kibosh on Bears-Gould reunion

The dream of Robbie Gould's return to the Bears has been rudely interrupted. The 49ers on Tuesday announced they placed the franchise tag on the veteran kicker. The long-expected move makes it all but certain Gould will remain with the 49ers. For him to depart after being tagged, the 49ers would have to choose not to match another team's contract offer to Gould, and they would receive two first-round draft picks from the team as compensation. In all likelihood, that amounts to a prohibitive cost. The Bears are in the process of setting up a kicking competition this summer. They signed rookie free agent Redford Jones to a futures contract in January, and they plan to release incumbent Cody Parkey before the new league year March 13. At least one other addition is expected.

— Rich Campbell

Veteran Long restructures his deal

Bears, from Page 1

Injuries have been a consistent issue for Long since 2016, when he suffered a torn labrum in his left shoulder even before the Bears rewarded him with what was a four-year, \$40 million extension. Then, he suffered a gruesome right ankle injury that season, leading to an arduous recovery process.

Long missed eight games in 2016 but made it back to onto the field by the third week of the 2017 season. He played in 10 games with nine starts before being placed on

injured reserve in the final month of the season because of the original shoulder injury. He underwent three surgeries last offseason to repair the shoulder, neck and elbow injuries. Long played in eight games last season, suffering a foot injury against the Jets on Oct. 28 that forced him to IR for half of the season. He returned for the regular-season finale and playoff game against the Eagles.

Long, 30, has been a team-first player, so it's not surprising he agreed to a restructuring that keeps him with the Bears. While the team could have created

additional space by releasing him, that would have also created a hole in the starting lineup with no clear replacement on the roster.

On Tuesday morning, Long tweeted, "Bear for Life" with a folded-hands emoji.

This is the first time in three years Long hasn't entered an offseason recovering from surgery, meaning he will be able to focus on strengthening his body for 2019. Now, he knows he will be doing that at Halas Hall.

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Offensive lineman Kyle Long, left, helped the Bears create salary-cap space by restructuring his contract.

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SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
	@TEX 2:05	OAK 2:05	@ARI 2:10	MIL/LAA 2:05 WGN-9 AM-670	SOX 2:05	@CIN 2:05	@LAA 2:10
	CIN 2:05	@SEA 2:10	@TEX 2:05	COL 2:05	@CUBS 2:05 AM-720	LAA 2:05 720-AM	@CLE/SD 2:05
	@MEM 7 NBCSCH, AM-670		@ATL 6:30 NBCSCH, AM-670		ATL 2:30 WGN-9, AM-670		@IND 6 WGN-9, AM-670
	@ANA 9 NBCSCH+ AM-720		@LA 9 NBCSCH, AM-720		@SJ 9 NBCSCH, AM-720		
				@LAG 7 FS1			

WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB	Noon	7 p.m.	7 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	6 p.m.	6 p.m.	6 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	8 p.m.	8 p.m.	8 p.m.	8 p.m.	10 p.m.	GOLF	
Marlins at Mets	Marlins at Mets	Bulls at Grizzlies	Trail Blazers at Celtics	Pelicans at Lakers	Maryland at Penn State	DePaul at Georgetown	Missouri State at Illinois State	Georgia Tech at Virginia	Oklahoma State at Texas Tech	Illinois at Purdue	Texas at Baylor	Auburn at Georgia	Marquette at Villanova	Cincinnati at SMU	UNLV at Nevada	HSBC World Championship	Oman Open
		NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670	ESPN	ESPN	BTN	CBSSN, WYLL-AM 1160	NBCSCH+	ESPN2	ESPNU	BTN	ESPN2	ESPNU	FS1	CBSSN	Golf Channel	Golf Channel	

MLB

WEDNESDAY	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Marlins at Mets	Bulls at Grizzlies	Trail Blazers at Celtics	Pelicans at Lakers	Maryland at Penn State	DePaul at Georgetown	Missouri State at Illinois State

NHL

WEDNESDAY	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Lightning at Rangers	Blackhawks at Ducks	Chelsea vs. Tottenham Hotspur	Shebelieves Cup: U.S. vs. Japan	Dubai-ATP, Sao Paulo-ATP	Acapulco-ATP/WTA, Sao Paulo-ATP	

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED TUESDAY

- Gonzaga (27-2) did not play. Next: at Pacific, Thursday.
- Virginia (24-2) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Wednesday.
- Duke (24-4) lost to No. 20 Virginia Tech 77-72. Next: vs. Miami, Saturday.
- Kentucky (24-4) beat Arkansas 70-66. Next: at No. 7 Tennessee, Saturday.
- North Carolina (23-5) beat Syracuse 93-85. Next: at Clemson, Saturday.
- Michigan State (23-5) did not play. Next: at Indiana, Saturday.
- Tennessee (24-3) did not play. Next: at Mississippi, Wednesday.
- Houston (26-1) did not play. Next: at East Carolina, Saturday.
- Michigan (24-4) did not play. Next: vs. Nebraska, Thursday.
- Marquette (23-4) did not play. Next: at Villanova, Wednesday.
- Texas Tech (22-5) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Wednesday.
- Nevada (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. UNLV, Wednesday.
- LSU (23-5) beat Texas A&M 66-55. Next: at Alabama, Saturday.
- Purdue (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Wednesday.
- Kansas (21-7) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma State, Saturday.
- Kansas State (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. Baylor, Saturday. Next: at TCU, Monday.
- Maryland (21-7) did not play. Next: at Penn State, Wednesday.
- Florida State (22-6) did not play. Next: vs. N.C. State, Saturday.
- Wisconsin (19-9) lost to Indiana 75-72, 2OT. Next: vs. Penn State, Saturday.
- Virginia Tech (22-5) beat No. 3 Duke 77-72. Next: at Ohio State, Saturday.
- Buffalo (25-3) beat Akron 77-64. Next: at Miami (Ohio), Friday.
- Iowa (21-7) lost to Ohio State 90-70. Next: vs. Rutgers, Saturday.
- Cincinnati (23-4) did not play. Next: at SMU, Wednesday.
- Worford (24-4) did not play. Next: at Chattanooga, Thursday.
- Drake (21-5) did not play. Next: at Southern, Friday.

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED TUESDAY

- Baylor (26-1) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.
- Kansas State (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. Houston, Saturday.
- Louisville (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 10 N.C. State, Thursday.
- Notre Dame (26-3) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia, Sunday.
- Mississippi State (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Thursday.
- Oregon (25-3) did not play. Next: at Washington State, Friday.
- Stanford (23-4) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Saturday.
- Oregon State (23-5) did not play. Next: at No. 21 Arizona State, Friday.
- N.C. State (24-3) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Thursday.
- Kentucky (23-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Texas A&M, Thursday.
- Iowa (22-6) did not play. Next: vs. Northwestern, Sunday.
- Marquette (23-5) did not play. Next: at Creighton, Friday.
- South Carolina (20-7) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Thursday.
- Miami (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Thursday.
- Gonzaga (25-3) did not play. Next: vs. Pepperdine, Thursday.
- Syracuse (21-7) did not play. Next: at No. 22 Florida State, Thursday.
- Texas (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 27 Texas Tech, Thursday.
- Texas A&M (21-6) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Kentucky, Thursday.
- Arizona State (21-7) beat Texas Tech 64-62. Next: at No. 18 Texas, Saturday.
- Arizona State (18-8) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Oregon State, Friday.
- Florida State (21-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 17 Syracuse, Thursday.
- Drake (21-5) did not play. Next: at Southern, Friday.
- Creighton (23-3) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana Tech, Saturday.
- UCLA (17-11) did not play. Next: vs. Utah, Friday.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

MEN	MIDWEST	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1. Baylor (31)	2. UConn	3. Louisville	4. Notre Dame	5. Mississippi State
6. Oregon	7. Stanford	8. Oregon State	9. Maryland	10. N.C. State
11. Iowa	12. Marquette	13. Tennessee	14. Gonzaga	15. Miami
16. South Carolina	17. Syracuse	18. Texas A&M	19. Texas	20. Arizona State
21. Florida State	22. Drake	23. DePaul	24. South Dakota	25. UCLA

USA TODAY WOMEN'S TOP 25

RK	TEAM	W-L	PTS	LV
1	Baylor (31)	26-1	775	1
2	UConn	25-2	740	2
3	Louisville	25-2	703	4
4	Notre Dame	25-3	682	4
5	Mississippi State	25-2	645	6
6	Oregon	25-3	625	3
7	Stanford	23-4	573	7
8	Oregon State	23-5	559	8
9	Maryland	21-6	542	22
10	N.C. State	24-3	473	12
11	Iowa	22-6	417	10
12	Marquette	23-5	403	11
13	Tennessee	23-5	392	17
14	Gonzaga	25-3	355	16
15	Miami	23-6	345	14
16	South Carolina	20-7	345	13
17	Syracuse	21-7	244	18
18	Texas A&M	21-6	212	22
19	Texas	21-7	208	19
20	Arizona State	18-8	175	15
21	Florida State	21-6	174	20
22	Drake	20-7	160	21
23	DePaul	21-7	149	-
24	South Dakota	24-4	38	23
25	UCLA	17-11	3	24

SOCCER

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE	W	T	L	GF	GA	PTS
Liverpool	20	6	1	59	15	66
Manchester City	21	2	4	70	20	65
Manchester United	10	7	55	27	60	35
Arsenal	16	5	6	55	37	53
Manchester United	15	7	5	52	35	52
Chelsea	15	6	5	45	29	50
Watford	7	4	17	25	35	40
Wolverhampton	11	7	10	35	35	40
Everton	10	6	12	39	39	36
West Ham	10	6	11	35	40	36
Leicester	10	5	13	34	39	35
Bournemouth	10	4	13	26	34	34
Newcastle	8	7	13	36	31	31
Crystal Palace	8	7	13	31	35	30
Burnley	8	6	14	31	30	30
Brighton	7	6	14	29	41	27
Sheff Wed	7	6	19	41	27	24
Southampton	5	9	18	28	46	24
Fulham	4	5	18	26	61	24
Huddersfield	3	5	20	15	50	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	OL	SL	PT	GF	GA
WOLVES	32	17	5	1	70	187	152
G. Rapids	31	17	4	4	70	165	156
Iowa	28	17	6	5	67	182	164
Rockford	26	23	3	6	61	139	160
Texas	26	23	3	3	58	169	165
Milwaukee	25	21	11	1	58	150	160
Manitoba	23	21	5	0	55	140	168
San Antonio	25	26	5	0	55	149	169

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL: SPRING TRAINING

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City	221	300	122	81	108	319
White Sox	221	300	122	81	108	319

LATEST LINE

NBA	WEDNESDAY	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
at Memphis	3	BULLS					
Houston	4	at Charlotte					
Minnesota	4	at Atlanta					
at Brooklyn	2½	Portland					
Golden State	9	Washington					
at San Antonio	4½	at Detroit					
Indiana	1½	at Dallas					
at Utah	9½	L.A. Clippers					
at Sacramento	off	Milwaukee					
at L.A. Lakers	5½	New Orleans					

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
Maryland	1½	at Penn St				
UCF	2	at South Florida				
Clemson	4½	at Pittsburgh				
at Virginia	21	Georgia Tech				
at G. Mason	5½	Richmond				
at Texas Tech	16½	Oklahoma St				
at Illinois St	2	Missouri St				
Tennessee	4½	at Mississippi				
Davidson	5	at La Salle				
at Georgetown	5½	DePaul				
Houston	16½	at East Carolina				
S. Illinois	2	at Evansville				
at St. Bonavntre	6	Duquesne				
at Bradley	4½	Valparaiso				
at N. Iowa	6½	Loyola				
at Brock	6½	Indiana St				
at Purdue	13	Illinois				
at Baylor	4	Texas				
St. Joseph's	2½	at Fordham				
at Boston St	6½	at Colorado St				
Florida	5	at Vanderbilt				
Auburn	8	at Georgia				
Louisville	5	at Boston Coll.				
Cincinnati	4½	at Cincinnati				
at Villanova	3½	Marquette				
at CS Northridge	7	UC Riverside				
at Fresno St	18	Wyoming				
at Nevada	17½	UNLV				

NHL

WEDNESDAY	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
at Anaheim	off	BLACKHAWKS				
Calgary	-169	at New Jersey	+159			
at Toronto	-230	Edmonton	+210			
at N.Y. Rangers	off	Tampa Bay	off			
at Colorado	-180	Vancouver	+165			

TENNIS

ATP BRASIL OPEN

R1 at Ginasio do Ibirapuera, Sao Paulo; clay-outdoor

#5 Jaume Munar d. Pedro Sakamoto, 6-3, 6-2.
 #7 Juan Ignacio Londero d. Paolo Lorenzi, 7-6 (3), 6-1.
 Hugo Delgado d. Pedro Martinez, 6-1, 6-2.
 Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. Facundo Bagnis, 6-1, 6-3.
 Nicolas Pietrangeli d. Alexei Popyrin, 6-3, 6-3.
 #3 John Isner d. Adrian Mannarino, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
 #4 Diego Schwartzman d. Marius Copil, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.
 #5 Alex de Minaur d. Nicolas Jarry, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (2).
 Cameron Norrie d. Yoshihito Nishioka, 6-2, 2-6, 6-2.
 Nick Kyrgios d. Andreas Seppi, 6-3, 7-5.
 Sam Querrey d. Taylor Fritz, 6-3, 6-2.
 Mackenzie McDonald d. Emilio Nava, 6-1, 6-3.

Women's Singles

#1 Sloane Stephens d. Pauline Parmentier, 6-2, 6-2.
 Victoria Azarenka d. #2 Danielle Collins, 6-1, 6-2.
 #3 Miluša Srećković d. Maria Gavrillva, 6-4, 6-2.
 #7 Zheng Saisai d. Renata Zarazua, 3-6, 7-5, 6-4.
 #8 Johanna Konta d. Laura Siegemund, 6-3, 6-2.
 Tatjana Maria d. Martina Trevisan, 6-2, 7-6 (1).
 Timesha Chandler d. Dalila Jakupovic, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.
 Christina McHale d. Ysaline Bonaventure, 6-3, 1-6, 6-2.

ATP DUBAI

FREE CHAMPIONSHIP

R1 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates; hard-outdoor

#1 Kei Nishikori d. Benoit Paire, 6-4, 6-3.
 Gael Monfils d. #3 Marin Cilic, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.
 #5 Stefanos Tsitsipas d. Matthew Ebden, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
 #6 Borna Coric d. Jiri Vesely, 7-5, 3-6, 7-6 (4).
 Ricardas Rankunas d. #8 Danilo Medvedev, 6-3, 6-3.
 Egor Gerasimov d. Robin Haase, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (5).
 #10 Stefanos Tsitsipas d. Matteo Bertinelli, 2-6, 7-5, 7-5.
 Marcos Baghdatis d. Mohamed Safwat, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.
 Hubert Hurkacz d. Corentin Moutet, 6-3, 7-5.
 Tomas Berdych d. Ilya Ivashka, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (4).

WTA SCHEDULE

H-hard, RC-red clay, GC-green clay, G-greens on a restructured contract.

March 4-7: BNP Paribas Open, Indian Wells, Calif., HO

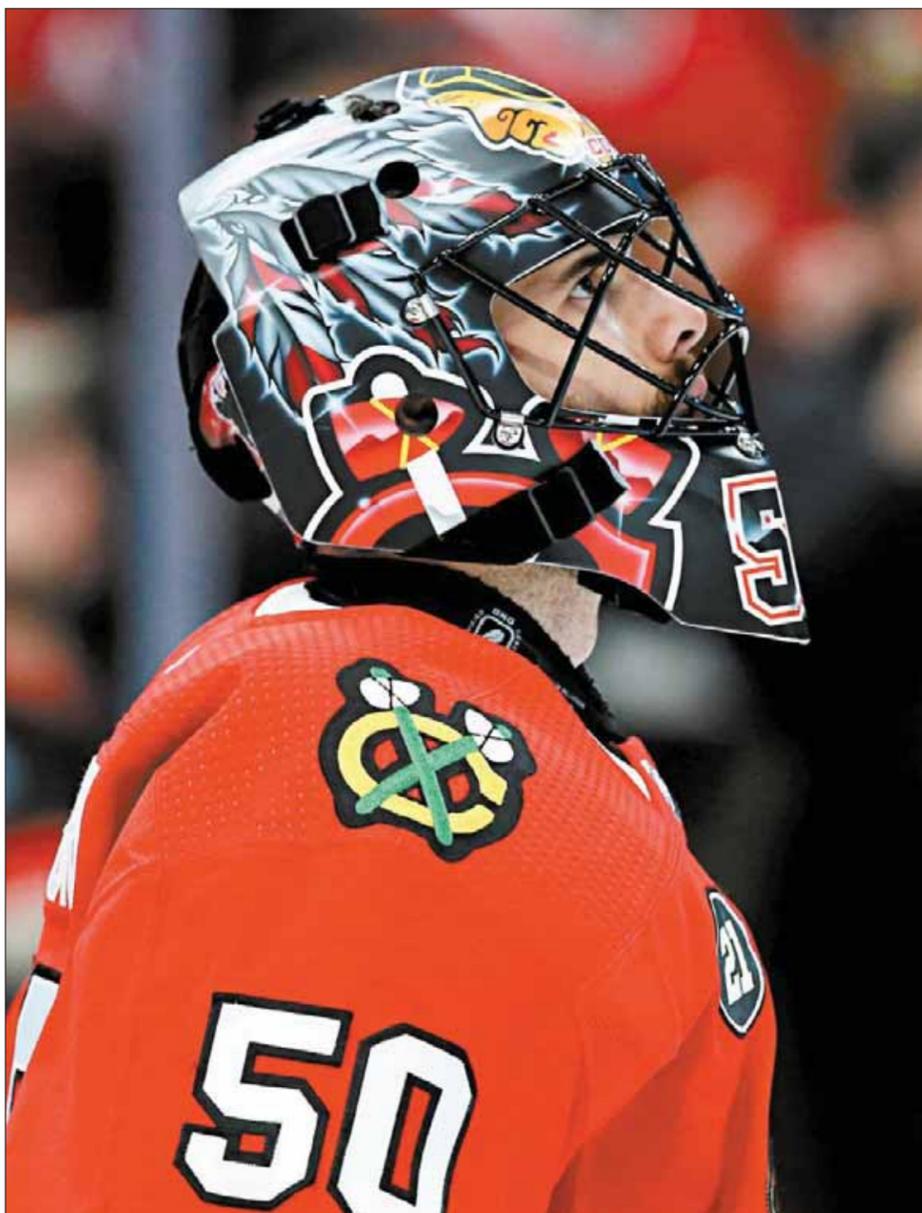
March 19-31: Miami Open, Miami Gardens, Fla., HO

April 1-7: Volvo Car Open, Charleston, S.C., GCO

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV
Tampa Bay	63	48	11	4	100	248	166	26-5-2	22-6-2	15-3-0
Boston	63	37	17	9	83	189	160	22-7-3	15-10-6	12-6-2
Toronto	62	38	20	4	80	221	176	19-12-1	19-8-3	11-6-3
Montreal	64	24	23	7	75	196	186	19-10-4	15-13-3	10-8-5

BLACKHAWKS



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A welcome sight

Hawks hope 'proven, tested' Crawford will spark run to playoffs

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

This is no time to panic. Even though the Blackhawks just lost two important games and once again find themselves well outside of the final Western Conference wild-card spot, worrying about the challenge ahead would do no good.

The Hawks have no choice but to win at a furious pace over the last six weeks of the season, which is why the return of two-time Stanley Cup-winning goalie Corey Crawford couldn't come at a better time.

Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton has a kindred spirit in Crawford. They both are levelheaded, calm in nearly all situations and just happen to have been born 13 days apart.

"Very composed back there," Colliton said of Crawford after practice Tuesday. "The other thing he brings is a calmness. Nothing's going to bother him, and that filters down to the rest of the team. We've been talking about don't get too high or low, never give up. He's got that."

The Hawks left Tuesday for a three-game trip in California. At this point, simply winning two of three games — even on the road — might not be good enough. Making the playoffs will require winning games they probably aren't expected to.

So if the Hawks can beat the lowly Ducks and Kings, they really could give improve their chances by beating the Sharks,



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Hawks goaltender Corey Crawford keeps his eyes on the puck Nov. 8 as Andrei Svechnikov of the Hurricanes works to the front of the net.

UP NEXT
Blackhawks at Ducks
9 p.m. Wednesday, NBCSCH+

one of the top teams in the league with 82 points. The Hawks are stuck on 61 points and probably need to go at least 14-5 over their final 19 games to have a realistic chance at a postseason berth.

Colliton wouldn't reveal when but said Crawford will play on the trip.

"I'm sure the guys will get a little emotional boost," Colliton said. "Most importantly, he's a pretty good goaltender. He's proven, tested, experienced, and that's going to help. There is a belief in our room that we have what it takes, but he'll help."

When Connor Murphy came to the Hawks in a trade before last season, he knew of Crawford the goalie, not the person. It surprised Murphy a bit to discover how collected Crawford was after games.

"I can remember talking to him after games that he'd have over 50 saves and ... you would have thought he just went for a walk outside in the park," Murphy said. "He's so calm and super humble and he knows what his job is and he does it to his best. That definitely has a presence when you have somebody like that."

That was the Crawford who showed up in the locker room Tuesday. He gave short but thoughtful answers about his return from a concussion while making it clear how he excited he is to start finally playing in games again for the first time since Dec. 16.

"It's been another long wait," Crawford said. "It's always tough watching from the sidelines, (trying) to get back in there. Hopefully, I feel really good right away and it's just going to be fun to play hockey again."

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BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Despite demotion, Delia part of future

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD
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As soon as it became apparent Corey Crawford was going to return from the concussion he suffered in December, rookie Collin Delia's days with the Blackhawks were numbered.

NHL teams rarely carry three goaltenders, and certainly not when one of them can be in the minor leagues getting valuable playing time.

The Hawks sent Delia back to Rockford on Sunday after he capably filled in while Crawford was on injured reserve with his second concussion in as many years. Delia won his first three starts, including two road games against the Avalanche, and finished his stint with a 6-4-3 record and .909 save percentage.

The Hawks thought enough of Delia to give him a three-year, \$3

million contract extension. Crawford is signed through next season, but Cam Ward will be a free agent, providing an opening for Delia to claim the backup role.

"He had another real successful season so far, and it's not over yet," coach Jeremy Colliton said. "Earned himself a contract, and everyone knows and feels he's going to be a big part of our future here."

"But we want him to play, and he's going to play a lot more in Rockford. And there's still some growth he can have in his game being down there and being the man. They're playing important games, and hopefully he can make a difference for them."

Crawford has been in Delia's position. He played 147 games over three seasons with the IceHogs and had three brief stints with the Hawks before finally sticking.

"You're always going to (have)

ups and downs in your career, and I thought he was great," Crawford said. "There's certain things that he's going to learn along the way and get better. I thought he handled it really good, brought some energy, especially right off the bat. He was really good."

Tough break: When Connor Murphy unleashed a wrist shot late in the second period of Sunday's 4-3 loss to the Stars, all he was trying to do was get a shot on net. He definitely wasn't trying to hurt anybody.

Unfortunately, the shot struck Mats Zuccarello and broke his arm in his first game after joining the Stars in a trade with the Rangers. Zuccarello was expected to have surgery Tuesday and miss about four weeks.

"I feel bad," Murphy said. "He starts for the first time and gets hurt like that. It sucks."

BULLS

Offense is flying with Markkanen

Taking, making more shots, humble forward just wants to help team

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Lauri Markkanen doesn't much like making a fuss, particularly when it comes to commenting on his own play.

But his occasional, albeit begrudging, acceptance of the former has forced him to do more of the latter.

Markkanen doesn't like missing shots. And he especially doesn't like forcing them. He's a team player, long schooled in the fundamentals of making the right play.

Recently, teammates and coaches kept telling him some version of the same thing: It's OK to miss. It's OK to occasionally force a shot. You're that talented. You're that essential to our offensive success.

While this isn't the sole reason for Markkanen's surge in aggressiveness, it's a big factor. Nor can Markkanen, or anyone associated with the Bulls, pinpoint exactly when the switch flipped.

But it flipped. To wit: Markkanen has averaged 13.7 shots in 106 career games. When he first returned after missing the first 23 games this season because of a right elbow injury, he stayed around that average, taking 14.9 shots per game in 14 December games. He drew even closer to his career average in 15 January games, taking 14.4 shots per game.

In February, Markkanen has significantly increased his output to 18.3 shots per game. That includes more than 20 shots in four of his last five games, a level he had reached just four times in his first 101 games.

Factor in his 49.1 percent shooting overall and 37.5 percent from 3-point range, and you get the beast mode at which Markkanen currently is playing.

"Just trying to be aggressive," Markkanen ho-hummed. "That way I can help the team. Even when I'm not making shots, it pulls the defense in and I can make plays for my teammates."

"It's a good situation that people trust me. It tells you something that they think (taking more shots) is best for our team as well. I'm just trying to make shots and make plays for them as well."

See? It always has to be about the team. That's the way Markkanen was trained, the humble way he was raised in his native Finland, not exactly a hotbed of showboating and me-first attitudes.

"Maybe it's just his maturation and our team's maturation," coach Jim Boylen said. "There's an awareness that he's a primary guy and we've got to get him the rock. And when you can shoot over the top of the defense, you're open a lot."



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Lauri Markkanen has been on a tear, taking more than 20 shots in four of his last five games.

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That's the thing: With the 7-foot Markkanen now playing both power forward and center, the Bulls can almost always find a good matchup for his versatile skill set.

Markkanen's free-throw attempts have jumped to 6.2 per game this month, well above his career mark of 2.8. This is indicative of Markkanen both attacking the rim off the bounce and posting up smaller players. In other words, he's not just an effective 3-point shooter anymore.

"To our guys' credit, we're moving him around," Boylen said. "He gets a roll for a layup or a shot in the paint. He comes off a handoff and gets downhill. He's in transition and maybe gets a layup or a pull-up (jumper). He gets a pop 3-pointer in a pick-and-roll. He's involved in so many plays, and the ball finds him."

And Markkanen, in turn, is letting it fly.

This run he's on is serious stuff. In seven of his last eight games, he had at least 20 points and 10 rebounds — and only a league review that took away a rebound stopped it from being eight straight games, which would've broken Michael Jordan's franchise record.

Over his last 12 games, Markkanen is averaging 24.3 points, 13.3 rebounds and 2.4 assists.

"Very few guys have jumped up in the course of two months the way he has on that stat sheet," Celtics coach Brad Stevens said when his team visited Saturday. "His ability to shoot, coupled with the fact that now he's putting it on the floor more, getting to the line more, posting switches more, he's just a really talented young player."

And he's getting more aggressive by the game.

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BULLS NOTES

Robin Lopez focused on razzing brother Brook

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

It's apparent from his answers that Robin Lopez has reached his limit on being asked if he'll seek a buyout by Friday's deadline to be waived and still playoff eligible if he signed with another team.

It's also apparent that Lopez never tires of tweaking his twin brother, Brook.

Asked about the sequence in Monday's game in which Robin sank his 10th career 3-pointer and celebrated with his now standard "tea party" pantomime and Brook followed with a nasty dunk, Robin smiled a mischievous smile.

"Something must have put that fire in him to go get that dunk," Robin said. "I'm not sure what it was. I guess it's good for him. He so rarely, rarely gets to dunk like that. So you've got to be happy for the guy."

The Bulls are happy for Robin's star turn, which included a season-high 26 points against the Bucks. It was his career-best sixth straight game with 17 or more points. He also has scored in double figures in a season-long eight straight games and has two 20-point games in his last four.

"When your heart is pure and you care, I just think those things happen for you," coach Jim Boylen said. "The ball finds you. He's our best screener. He's a veteran who finds his spots. He's all for the team. Good things happen for you when that happens."

"It's invaluable to have a guy

who honors his role as an example to the team, a guy who speaks up when a situation needs to be addressed. What I want is guys who take ownership of our play and mistakes and coach each other and help each other and hold each other accountable. RoLo has done that. I hope he continues to do that."

Play it again: After watching film, Boylen on Tuesday defended Zach LaVine's decision-making even more forcefully than he did in his postgame comments. LaVine scored just one point after the first quarter but flirted with his first career triple-double before finishing with nine assists and eight rebounds.

"He had one of those nights where he was trying to get people involved," Boylen said. "There was no concerted effort on his part or our part to not have him shoot the ball. ... He almost gets a triple-double and we're worried about his scoring? I'm not going to make too much of it."

Layups: Kris Dunn didn't practice Tuesday after missing Monday's game with a migraine. Otto Porter Jr. did some on-court work after missing the last six quarters with a lower left leg strain. Both traveled for the two-game trip but are questionable for Wednesday in Memphis. ... Tuesday marked the 10-year anniversary since franchise stalwarts Johnny "Red" Kerr and Norm Van Lier passed away within hours of each other.

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LYNNE SLADKY/AP

Phillies pitcher Jake Arrieta comparing his free-agent signing late in spring training last season to this year's slow market: "I feel sorry for the guys going through it now."

BASEBALL

'It's just bad for our sport'

Arrieta feeling for free agents after enduring own wait

By **DAVE SHEININ**
Washington Post

CLEARWATER, Fla. — On the first day of the 17th week of his free agency, Bryce Harper remained unsigned, and 30 Major League Baseball teams went about the business of preparing for their seasons, now just a few weeks away.

Though resolution remained elusive Monday, the contours of Harper's choice came closer into view. The Philadelphia Phillies, considered the odds-on favorites to sign the 26-year-old slugger for weeks now, appear prepared to give him the 10-plus-year, \$300 million-plus deal he and agent Scott Boras have been seeking. The Los Angeles Dodgers, whose management flew to meet with Harper at his Las Vegas home on Sunday, are thought to be seeking a shorter-term deal, but have other advantages, from the geographical to the historical.

But time has become an enemy. Even if he were to sign on Tuesday and be in uniform with his new team by the end of the work week, Harper would be at least two weeks behind the rest of his teammates — time they have spent getting up to game speed and fostering a camaraderie, neither of which can be suitably simulated in absentia.

"You're here at 6:30 in the morning. You're doing the workouts. You're having meetings. You're getting to know your teammates. The chemistry is being built," Phillies pitcher Jake Arrieta said Monday. "That is invaluable time, and a lot of the teams don't understand how important it is for us. And ultimately, it's going to affect whichever teams signs those players.

"Bryce [is] going to eventually sign and be fine. But there is going to be a delay in [his] ability to get ready for Opening Day. There's no way around that. There just isn't. I don't care if he's working out with a junior college or a high school —



TONI L. SANDYS/WASHINGTON POST

Bryce Harper is still waiting for a deal, but he's losing valuable time in spring training in the meantime.

whatever it is, it's not this."

Arrieta, perhaps better than anyone else in the sport, knows what he's talking about. A year ago, when he was considered a consensus top-three free agent, he lasted on the market until March 11, when he finally signed a three-year \$75 million deal with the Phillies. From the players' standpoint, Arrieta's slow-moving market and below-market deal were among the most glaring signs that there was a problem with free agency in baseball — an assertion that has continued, and intensified, this winter.

The offers "just weren't there," Arrieta, 32, recalled Monday.

"I was just waiting for the phone to ring," he said. "Working myself crazy. Having conversations with my wife: Where are we going to go? Where are we going to live? It sucks. It sucks. Everybody's saying, 'He got all this money, and he's still complaining.' Yeah, I get

it. But it doesn't change the human element of it. The emotions. The stress. It's all real. It doesn't matter how much money you have. We all suffer from the same emotions."

In regards to Harper, he said, "Most people can't get past the money. But if you eliminate that, it's one of the most supremely talented players in our game today, one of the faces of the game, who doesn't have a team."

For much of last winter and this one, the union and the league have waged a war of words over which side is to blame for the free agent slowdown, with the players saying the offers have dried up — or, in some cases, have been in the same lowball range — and the league saying players and their agents have turned down offers, or misread a marketplace that has shifted in the era of analytics.

"I don't care if the commissioner wants to blame us, or we want to blame them," Arrieta said. "Whoever is to blame, it's just bad

for our sport."

Harper and Manny Machado were supposed to have been special cases — twin 26-year-old superstars who had their sights set on signing the biggest free agent contracts in history. Machado, in fact, did exactly that, signing a 10-year, \$300 million deal with the San Diego Padres last week. But even their markets, at least from the outside, have appeared slow to develop — just as the ones for premium talents J.D. Martinez, Yu Darvish and Arrieta did last year, and pitchers Craig Kimbrel and Dallas Keuchel (both still unsigned) this year.

Harper, Arrieta, Martinez and Keuchel all have the same agent, in Boras.

"Everybody thought, 'Oh, this will correct itself,'" Arrieta, the 2015 NL Cy Young winner with the Chicago Cubs, said of the industry reaction to last winter's slowdown. "Everybody talked about how it's going to go back to

normal next year. BS. It's not, and it didn't. Teams are waiting for players to get desperate. That's the way it is.

"Machado got the deal that, at least in my mind, everyone knew he was going to get. So what took so long? The notion that there are deals these players aren't taking — I can tell you firsthand, it's false. So it just stinks. It stinks for everyone. It stinks for the fans. It stinks for the free agents who are getting pushed out of the game. It stinks for the free agents who are supremely talented and have a lot to offer who aren't in camp yet."

Not so long ago, a young superstar such as Harper might have jumped at a shorter-term contract, at a presumably higher annual salary, with a team such as the Dodgers — because at the end of a four-year deal, theoretically speaking, he could reenter free agency at age 30 and, assuming he stayed healthy, cash in on a second massive deal. But with teams, some of them burned in the past by failed deals with older players, now largely staying away from free agents past age 30, that is no longer as appealing an option.

"It's definitely not a given" that the second big contract would materialize, Arrieta said. "Look, I know there have been a couple of deals in the last few years that were unfavorable for the team ... But a big part of this game has always been taking risks. There's no crystal ball. You pay guys based on what they've done in the past and what you project in the future."

It's easy to see the latest developments with Harper — the Phillies' sustained interest, the Dodgers' late push — and assume the end is very near. But the same has been said for weeks now, and he still remains unsigned. All it takes is one look at Arrieta, whose first anniversary of signing with the Phillies is still two weeks in the distance, to know how long it could still drag out.

"I feel sorry for the guys going through it now," Arrieta said. "Bryce is going to get taken care of, as Machado did. It's just that it would be nice to see it happen sooner rather than later, so he can get in camp and get going."

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Kansas guard Ochai Agbaji (30) was slated for a redshirt season, but injuries that depleted the Jayhawks' lineup have forced him off the bench earlier than expected.

Redshirt surprises can still happen

Kansas' Agbaji shows how early expectations can be overturned

BY DAVE SKRETTA
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Ochai Agbaji is not supposed to happen in the modern era of college basketball.

Not at Kansas. Not really anywhere.

The 6-foot-5 guard's explosive athleticism was supposed to have been uncovered on the AAU circuit by one of the hundreds of scouts and recruiting services. His energetic defense was supposed to have been courted by every blue blood coach. His versatile ability to get to the basket, knock down 3s and distribute the ball was supposed to have made him a coveted freshman phenom.

He certainly wasn't supposed to arrive as the least-heralded member of the Jayhawks' recruiting class, and he certainly wasn't supposed to have been so overlooked that he was redshirting.

But that was the plan at Kansas. With a stacked roster that was rewarded with the preseason No. 1 ranking, the Jayhawks figured they could stash Agbaji on the bench. Let him develop. Have him ready to go when a couple of potential one-and-dones headed to the NBA after this season.

But in an age of 24-hour news services, recruiting-specific websites, AAU all-stars and social media phenomenon, Agbaji is proof that surprises still exist in college basketball.

That mistakes still happen.

You see, the Jayhawks ran into injury trouble earlier this season, losing star big man Udoka Azubuike to season-ending wrist surgery. Defensive stopper Marcus Garrett hurt his ankle, and senior guard Lagerald Vick took a leave of absence, leaving the roster relatively depleted.

And long before any of that took place, Agbaji had proven himself in practice, and a pleasantly horrible realization hit Bill Self that there was no way the kid should be on the bench.

So when January rolled around, the Hall of Fame coach decided to yank Agbaji's redshirt, and he has been arguably the Jayhawks' best player as they tried to pursue another Big 12 title.

He poured in 25 points in a road game against Texas. He scored 23 against Oklahoma State. He had his first double-double in a crucial win over Texas Tech, and his second with 20 points and 11 rebounds while playing 41 min-



JEFFREY T. BARNES/AP

Buffalo guard CJ Massinburg was nearly redshirted as a freshman, but four seasons later he's now poised to leave Buffalo as one of its career scoring leaders.

utes in an overtime victory at TCU.

"It was such a poor decision on my part," Self admitted last week. "He went along with it, with his family, thinking he probably wouldn't have very many opportunities to impact us on a gamely basis — not waste age 23 when you could waste age 18.

"It wasn't that he wasn't good enough to play," Self added. "It was a crowded house and there were no other candidates to not redshirt because the other ones already had. That was it. It didn't have anything to do with him. It was the situation of it being a crowded house."

A similar situation occurred

over the weekend at Duke.

Joey Baker was a four-star recruit whose scholarship offers ranged from Tennessee and Texas to North Carolina State and Kansas. Baker reclassified from the class of 2019 to enroll at Duke a year early, and he was expected to redshirt this season before playing this fall.

But with Zion Williamson hurt and Jack White struggling, coach Mike Krzyzewski pulled the 6-foot-7 forward's redshirt during the first half of Saturday's win at Syracuse.

"He's played well in practice," Krzyzewski said. "You don't have to activate him, send anything in. He did a good job. Obviously we

haven't shot the ball very well except that Virginia game. Alex (O'Connell) and Joey are two of our better shooters. He'll continue to get stuff."

Still, the idea of redshirting a high-profile recruit is rare these days.

Most kids arriving on campus at Duke or Kansas have been courted throughout high school, and they've heard so much hyperbole from covetous coaches that they believe stardom is assured.

The idea of sitting out an entire season? Downright preposterous.

Plus, the bluest of the blue bloods rarely have scholarships available or the time to spend developing a potentially late

bloomer. It's hard enough to juggle the roster as players leave early for the NBA, and offering a scholarship with no immediate return on the investment is hard.

"The only player I talked to about redshirting after I got him here was Will Graves," North Carolina coach Roy Williams said. "I know even in Will's situation, I said, 'I want to talk to you about something,' and he said, 'Yeah, my dad and I have been talking.'"

Otherwise, prospects heading to North Carolina either know well in advance that they will be sitting out a year, or they arrive with the expectation they will contribute right away.

These discussions — and mistakes — aren't relegated to power programs, either.

Buffalo coach Nate Oats, whose team has spent most of the season ranked, nearly redshirted CJ Massinburg when they arrived together in 2015. The athletic guard didn't have many other offers, and Oats acknowledged he didn't really know what he had in Massinburg.

"Going into the fall it was still a real possibility for me," Oats explained last week, "but once we started a real practice I realized that wasn't happening."

Now, Massinburg is poised to leave Buffalo as one of its career scoring leaders.

"I've never actually had one where I started out the year redshirting a kid and then you know, five, 10 games and decided, 'You know? I screwed up. We've got to play this kid,'" Oats said. "It was a legitimate possibility that we that we would redshirt CJ when he turned up. And then he ends up scoring 17 at Duke and 36 against Ohio as a freshman. He was pretty good."

Agbaji is proving to be pretty good for Kansas, too.

The Jayhawks headed into Monday night's showdown with Big 12-leading Kansas State still in the mix for a 15th consecutive conference title. And while Kansas may ultimately come up short, the mere fact that it remained possible in late February was due in part to Agbaji's excellent play.

"He was playing every bit as good as everybody else in practice," Self said, "but we already made that decision to tag him. I actually think he wanted that. He was happy with that. His family was happy with that, because they understood his best ball was well down the road.

"When things started to occur, we had to do something to jump start our team. That was really one thing we had left in the bag, and fortunately for us and him, it has worked out really well."



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The Henderson brothers, from left, Luke, 7, Nolan, 8, and Jack, 11, get a close-up view of one of the six larger-than-life trolls, wooden guardians of the forest, during a troll hunt June 14, 2018, at Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

TROLLS TRIUMPHANT!

Morton Arboretum set an attendance record in 2018, DuSable was up 31 percent during a generally down year for Chicago's museums

By **STEVE JOHNSON** | Chicago Tribune

A posse of grand-scale wooden troll sculptures carried Morton Arboretum to the highest attendance in its 97-year history during 2018, as 1.276 million people visited the west suburban nature park.

The news was not so rosy, however, on the Museum Campus, where all the institutions suffered audience declines versus 2017, as did the major Chicago-area nature parks that aren't named Morton: Brookfield Zoo, Lincoln Park Zoo and Chicago Botanic Garden.

All together, the 17 museums and parks the Tribune tracked this year, including all of the most popular ones, saw a drop in attendance of almost 6 percent from the year before, to 16.508 million in total. For perspective, that's more than double the number of people the city's five major professional sports franchises lured out of their chairs, a combined 6.897 million to Cubs, White Sox, Bulls, Blackhawks and Bears home games in their most recently completed seasons.

"We're understanding that people really need respite," said Sue Wagner, Morton's vice president of education and information. "There's a lot of buzz, distraction, noise. By coming to the arboretum or a garden, people can have a sense of peace and feel replenished."

It didn't hurt, either, that "Troll Hunt," the collection of giant recycled-wood figures crafted by latter-day Danish hippie Thomas Dambo and secreted on the grounds, turned out to be Chicago's only blockbuster museum exhibition of 2018.

Bold, inventive and utterly delightful, "Troll Hunt," which will remain up through 2019, helped Morton tally its most popular month in history. The 1,700-acre hiking, biking and slow-driving destination notched

164,000 people in July, "Troll Hunt's" first full month, beating the previous high of 152,000 set in Oct. 2011, during the typical Morton prime-time of foliage season.

Another driver of the record attendance, a 15.6 percent gain over 2017, was the artful holiday lights display "Illumination," which in its sixth year drew a record 183,000 people in November and December.

Another very big audience jump in 2018 came at the DuSable Museum of African American History, up 31 percent to 146,000. The South Side museum credited the opening of five new exhibits during 2018, along with the Hamilton Institute for Research and Civic Involvement.

Nearby in Hyde Park, the Museum of Science and Industry was up 4 percent to 1.56 million, featuring a special exhibition about Pixar Studios movie making. The Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum grew its visitorship almost 8 percent to 321,000.

The Art Institute was up very slightly to 1.62 million visitors. The Illinois Holocaust Museum saw a 3.5 percent rise to 120,000 people. And Newberry Library, which extensively remodeled its first floor in hopes of presenting a friendlier public face, saw its bet pay off: Visitorship nearly doubled, to almost 37,000.

Some caveats: These figures are all self-reported and were compiled this year by asking the institutions directly. In a typical year, most of them will be put together for the institutions on public land by the Museums in the Parks consortium and then released publicly. MIP did not do that this year, as some member institutions pushed back against the usefulness of keeping score by yearly head count.

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IN PERFORMANCE: 'The Man Who Was Thursday' ★★★ 1/2

Satirical message, anarchist plot coexist

Who is who? Sharp, silly, caper cuts in two directions

By **KERRY REID**
 Chicago Tribune

"Chaos is dull. That which goes right is poetry," declares Gabriel Syme, the protagonist in G.K. Chesterton's 1908 metaphysical/satirical novel, "The Man Who Was Thursday." But in Bilal Dardai's nimble adaptation, now onstage at Lifeline Theatre under Jess Hutchinson's direction, it's the chaos and mind tricks that pull us in.

In a way, it's the theatrical equivalent of the "Spider-Man Pointing at Spider-Man" meme. Who is the cop? Who is the crook? Which one represents chaos, and which one creates order? As the first Mayor Daley proclaimed in the wake of the 1968 convention riots: "The policeman isn't there to create disorder. He's there to preserve disorder." It also reminds one of other stories — apocryphal or not — about radical organizations in that era that were so well infiltrated by the FBI and CIA that there were more fake members than real members.

Syme (Eduardo Xavier Curley-Carrillo), a poet, has been recruited — coerced, really — into joining Scotland Yard's anti-anarchist undercover squad. He manipulates Lucian Gregory (Cory Hardin), a fellow poet with overt radical inclinations, into taking him along to a meeting where the members will elect a new representative to the chief council of anarchists — a group of seven people whose code names reflect the days of the week. Syme outwits Gregory in the election and is elected as the new Thursday. Soon, he finds he's not the only mole in the anarchist hill, which is dominated by Allison Cain's fearsome

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WARREN FELDMAN/SHOWTIME

Veronica (Shanola Hampton) and Kev (Steve Howey) in sync, on "Shameless."

MY WORST MOMENT

On swearing and climbing her co-star 'like a tree'

Shanola Hampton returns as Veronica on 'Shameless'

By **NINA METZ**
 Chicago Tribune

For nine seasons Shanola Hampton has played Veronica, the true blue pal to her chaotic Gallagher neighbors next door, on the Showtime series "Shameless." The show has been renewed for a 10th season, but star Emmy Rossum, who plays Fiona Gallagher, will not be returning. Here are Hampton's hopes for next season:

"We all know Fiona's not going to be there anymore, so how does that change and shape everything with the matriarch of the family not really there? What does that mean for all the relationships? I just want to see Veronica really stick by the

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Jenna Bush Hager, shown in 2017, will be partnering with Hoda Kotb on the "Today" show.

Jenna Bush Hager new 'Today' host

Jenna Bush Hager will succeed Kathie Lee Gifford in the fourth hour of "Today," NBC News confirmed Tuesday, setting up a new partnership with Hoda Kotb that executives no doubt hope will prove as enduring as the one it replaces.

"Jenna joined 'Today' nearly 10 years ago and she quickly became a fixture in our family. Her compassion and curiosity come through in all of her stories, along with her Texas-sized sense of humor. Jenna instantly connects with everyone she meets, whether they are guests on our show or fans on the Plaza," said Noah Oppenheim, president of NBC News, in a memo to staffers.

"While it's bittersweet to say goodbye to Kathie Lee, we are thrilled to have the opportunity to make some changes. This is just the first of many! The show is evolving, and we will have additional announcements to share with you in the coming months. In the meantime, please join me in wishing Jenna a big congratulations," he continued.

Hager's move to the show has been expected for some time. NBC News announced in December that Gifford, who has been with the program since 2008, planned to leave the program in April to pursue outside projects. Hager, the daughter of former U.S. president George W. Bush and granddaughter of former president George H.W. Bush, has co-hosted with Kotb frequently in recent months, but will join the program officially once Gifford departs.

—Variety



ANGELA WEISS/GETTY-AFF

Grande to play Manchester: Ariana Grande is returning to Manchester, two years after a suicide bomber killed 22 people at her concert in the northwest England city. Organizers say Grande will be a headliner at the Manchester Pride Live event on Aug. 25. Chief executive Mark Fletcher said Monday that "we're truly honored to be welcoming Ariana back to the city to help us celebrate LGBT+ life."

Shakira to testify: A Spanish court investigating Shakira for possibly evading 14.5 million euros in taxes has called on the pop music star to testify in mid-June. Prosecutors charged the singer in December for not paying taxes in Spain between 2012 and 2014, when she lived mostly in the country despite having an official residence in Panama. She will testify as required on June 12 at a court in Esplugues de Llobregat.

Seinfeld sues car dealer: Jerry Seinfeld is suing a California dealer in classic cars, saying the company has left him stranded in a dispute over whether a 1958 Porsche he sold is authentic. Seinfeld sought unspecified damages in his lawsuit Monday in Manhattan federal court from European Collectibles of Costa Mesa, California. The suit comes weeks after Seinfeld was sued by a company that says it bought the comedian's Porsche only to learn it was fake.

Feb. 27 birthdays: Actor Noah Emmerich is 54. Singer Bobby Valentino is 39. Singer Josh Groban is 38. Actress Kate Mara is 36. Reality show star JWOWW (Jenni Farley) is 33.



ASK AMY

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Political tolerance is evergreen issue

Dear Readers: I've briefly stepped away from my column to work on a new writing project. This week, I'm rerunning Q&A's from 10 years ago. Today's topic: politics and tolerance. I'm struck by how, even though there is a very different president in the White House from when these questions were originally published, the issue of how to tolerate an opposing point of view is evergreen.

Dear Amy: I find I need to make some changes. I try to be open-minded and to see people as humans first and not judge them by color, creed or educational background. My specific areas of difficulty surround people who are blatantly of a different political stripe than I am, and those who are significantly and more openly religious than I am. Once I know people have sympathies with a political administration I don't favor, I'm apt to dislike them and am unable to appreciate other qualities they might have that I would find worthy.

The same goes for people who sprinkle their conversations with religion or speak of religion in a way that makes it seem all their thoughts and decisions come from their deity. I feel very blocked in these areas and want to know which doors I need to open in my own mind to work this problem through. I'm asking you to please open my mind.

—Closed-minded

Dear Closed-minded: I can't open your mind, but you probably can. I love your question partly because, unlike many who write to me, you seem to

want to change. (Most people want for someone else to change.)

You could try to do something I've been doing lately: consume roughly an equal amount of media leaning toward both sides of the political equation. It also helps to realize that no side has a lock on obnoxiousness, hysteria or foolishness.

The essential truth is that everybody is different, people have a right to paint themselves in any political or religious stripe they choose, and your inability or refusal to see the person beneath the beliefs tips you toward the bigot side of the scale.

The most gracious and socially adept people I know always find a way "in" as a way to get to know someone. They dip beneath the surface, ask questions and listen to the answers. If you do this, you'll learn that even zealots have hometowns and favorite movies. Commonalities will trump differences. (May 2009)

Dear Amy: I have been enjoying a group of friends for 10 years. During the past year, I have had a problem over their pontificating about politics. I am the only person in the group with a different view. The past four times I've seen them, I've come home upset about their bashing of the new president. I did not act like that when the previous administration was in office.

We have had some angry, awkward moments and it makes me want to avoid the whole thing. I have tried to tell them I feel bullied, but they say we all should be able to

express our opinions and I shouldn't take it personally. What should I do?

—Linda

Dear Linda: I recently heard Glenn Beck refer to the president as a socialist and filmmaker Michael Moore as a "fatty-fatty fatso." Is this the sort of civilized intellectual discourse our foremothers and -fathers had in mind when building this great nation? Probably not. But while you may have been sheltered from this sort of passion during the Bush years, I remember many heated, shocking and extremely disrespectful bashing sessions coming from the left, both through the media and privately.

Yelling is the unfortunate reaction of people trying to mitigate their powerlessness. We live in fascinating times, and you might benefit from understanding, or at least acknowledging, the passion of the other side. Don't let friends bait or bully you, and don't feel you must defend practices or policies they find indefensible.

If you don't want to participate, you can try to change the subject, but if you can't and still want to spend time in their presence, listen passively or (my trick) offer to wash the dishes. (November 2009)

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SUZANNE PLUNKETT PHOTO

Linsey Falls as Friday/Professor de Worms, left, and Eduardo Xavier Curley-Carrillo as Gabriel Syme in Lifeline Theatre's "The Man Who Was Thursday."

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Sunday. Dardai's play first got an outing in 2009 with the now-defunct New Leaf Theatre Company, also directed by Hutchinson. At that time, with the Obama presidency still boasting that hopeful new-administration smell, it played more as a commentary on the rise of the War on Terror under the Bush/Cheney administration. Now with chaos as the operating principle of our government, it cuts in two different directions at once.

Certainly many of us wish to live in more orderly (if less-interesting) times. Chesterton's own love of order (he even wrote a book called "Orthodoxy") stood in contrast to the radical politics of George Bernard Shaw. But if the price of surface order is not knowing who is really pulling the strings in the guts of the state, is it worth the game? Fortunately, Dardai's sculpted script mostly manages to keep the philosophical disquisitions from overpowering Chesterton's highly polished wit. Though the New Leaf

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Inigo Montoya from "The Princess Bride" and Pepe Le Pew.

The buildup to the disturbing finale could use a bit more sculpting, though Syme's repeated invocation of the beautiful blue skies recalls descriptions of the weather in New York City on Sept. 11, 2001. Undoubtedly, threats to peaceful order abound — and it's worth remembering that Chesterton wrote his novel before Gavril Princip's assassination of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand plunged Europe into World War I, which brought global realignments that affect us still.

Even if one doesn't wish to apply deeper political and ontological contexts to this caper, Lifeline's production is a sharp, silly and pungent disquisition on a world where everyone isn't quite what they seem. As Kurt Vonnegut noted in "Mother Night" (another novel about a man who goes undercover for seemingly good reasons), "We are what we pretend to be, so we must be careful about what we pretend to be."

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Everybody's musical guilty pleasure

R&B's hitmaker The-Dream to perform Thursday at Lincoln Hall

BY DAN HYMAN
Chicago Tribune

The-Dream knows some of his finest work might make even the most sexually progressive person blush. "This isn't puppy love," the R&B hitmaker, who for more than a decade has been one of the genre's most reliable and sometimes shameless purveyors of steamy and downright nasty jams about love, said of his favorite topic to sing about. "This is real-world sex and love and lust."

But don't get him wrong: the singer born Terius Nash, whose hit singles include "Rockin That Thang" and "Bedroom," off his recently released 36-song "SEXTAPE," is anything but a provocateur. No, to hear him tell it, he's simply offering listeners a much-needed service. Yes, for far too long, and especially in R&B music, listeners were being served up a fantasy wherein high school sweethearts ride into the sunset and relationships never hit a brick wall.

"So maybe then the relationships we were seeing growing up in songs and on TV were not as useful as we thought they were," he offered when calling from Los Angeles one recent evening. Really, the singer-songwriter noted, even some of the raunchiest songs in his discography are really "just about two lovers being in a place that they choose to be. Key word being

'choose.'"

The-Dream, who plays Lincoln Hall on Thursday, certainly knows a thing or two about choice. Thanks to his wildly successful career as a songwriter for megawatt pop stars including Beyoncé ("Single Ladies"), Rihanna ("Umbrella"), Mariah Carey ("Touch My Body") and Jay-Z ("Holy Grail"), the 41-year old has been able to chart his journey as a solo artist according to his own pace. "I'm just being creative in the first place which is why I'm never really affected by things that most artists are," The-Dream said. And what might those things be? "They're affected by their first-week numbers or what people think of them and the only thing I'm thinking is, 'Well, I've just been dope being who I am and I don't really care what you think.'"

In fact, The-Dream said he believes his success as a solo artist — jump-started by his breakout 2007 debut album "Lovehate," and elevated with its anticipated follow-up, 2009's "Love Vs Money" — is a direct result of the lack of outside voices monitoring his creativity and even more so the lack of expectation placed on him by those who might only be worried about hitting the bottom line. "Nobody expected me to do anything in the first place," he offered of his career as a solo artist. And while he's partnered with record labels over the years, including Def Jam



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The-Dream, born Terius Nash, knows some of his finest work might make even the most sexually progressive person blush.

and Roc Nation, The-Dream said maintaining a relative sense of independence has been invaluable to his achieving. "I got fed up with the idea of partnering with labels on a major scale because of how they have to deliver things. They get gun-shy," he said. "It's that corporate idea of 'It needs to move this amount of units.' The first album, the reason why everything went really great is because we didn't have to deal with any of that."

Not that he's not a major fan of collaboration. The-Dream said some of his greatest joy continues to be derived from working with young and often undiscovered artists. "The easiest part is growing something

from nothing because there's no expectations," he said. "But I've done it both ways," he said continuing. "Whether it's with Beyoncé with 'Single Ladies' in front of a career that's already been gigantic or 'Umbrella' with Rihanna where she was just this budding star. Same way with 'Baby' for Justin Bieber.

"The hardest thing to do is write inside of a catalog that already has [huge hit songs]. Because I don't want to get with you and drop the ball. It's like inheriting a team that won a championship last year. So now if you go out with that championship team and you lose then that's your fault."

Still, The-Dream in-

sisted, no matter how well-known the artist he might be working with on any given day — when we speak, for example, he's in the midst of working on new music with Lionel Richie — he's always attempting to push them outside of their comfort zone.

Unfortunately, when you're The-Dream and many of your lyrical ideas are not exactly family friendly, some of these big-name artists tend to worry about how singing certain words might affect their image.

"And so even though it may be the smartest thing anyone's ever said about a relationship, their brand won't allow them to sing it,"

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he said with a laugh.

Not that many of them don't secretly cop to him that they wish they had the leeway to sing the sort of nastiness The-Dream cooks up on the regular.

"Oh that definitely happens," he said with a laugh. "I'm everybody in music's guilty pleasure."

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Moment

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Gallaghers and make sure they're OK. The first season was everybody kind of working through issues together and I think that this is a perfect time to get back to the roots of that — because without Fiona, they're going to need to band together to get through life."

More than a few actors in the ensemble have seen elements of their real lives turn up on the show. Hampton is no exception.

"When I was struggling to have children, Veronica was also struggling — but crazily enough, people think they wrote that Veronica finally got pregnant because I was pregnant in real life and that's not true at all. What happened was, when I went to tell (showrunner) John Wells, 'Hi, I'm pregnant,' he was like, 'Great! Because we already have that planned for Veronica, so that means we won't have to put a belly on you.' And I was like, oh my goodness, this is crazy!"

"And another fun fact: I worked almost right up until I gave birth. When I delivered on the show, we shot that scene on a Friday — then I delivered my daughter in real life the following Monday. There have been so many things on the show that mirror our own lives."

"Shameless" is by far the most significant role of Hampton's career. When asked to share a worst moment, it was an audition from years earlier that came to mind.

My worst moment ...

"Just to give you some context, I was working as a bartender, so I would be changing out of my work clothes into my audition clothes in the car to go to auditions. I've been through it! But I've always tried to be the actress that's prepared, which means I'm off-book when I go into auditions — I don't need to bring the script because I know the lines. And that's so they know: I worked on this.

"So I go into this audition, it was probably around 2005-ish, a few years before I got 'Shameless.' It may have been for a movie, I honestly can't remember — which is probably on purpose because this audition was so



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For nine seasons Shanola Hampton has played Veronica on Showtime's "Shameless."

bad. Afterward, I had to go out and put my bartender clothes back on and go back to work.

"So anyway, I'm at the audition, off-book, doing the scene with the casting director. And I get to a place where my mind goes completely blank and I'm just staring at her. And then I say — and you'll have to bleep this out — 'Oh (expletive)!'"

"And then I realize that I'm in a professional setting and I'm like: 'Oh my goodness, I'm so sorry — (expletive, expletive) — oh God!' These words just come flying out of my mouth. And the casting director says, 'Well, you can get the script.' And I'm like, 'No, no, no, I'm so sorry. I don't need the script. I know this.'"

"So we start over and the same damn spot I pause and go completely blank — and I start cursing again! So I said: 'OK, I'm just going to leave now,' and I walked out. I just left. Because this wasn't going anywhere good. And I remember walking out and looking at the other people waiting to go in and being like (sarcastically): 'Good luck!' It was so embarrassing.

"The worst thing about it was that the casting director was probably like: She could have just grabbed the script, but instead she walked out — is she crazy? I can't even imagine all the thoughts that must have gone across their minds when I left the room."

Why didn't Hampton grab a script?

"Because I knew the lines! And I wanted to prove that they should hire me because I'm such a hard worker and not someone that's going to curse you out in your room! Listen, it doesn't make sense, I get it

now.

"It was the profanity that I was so embarrassed about. I was like: I can not believe I just did that. Did I just do that? I cannot believe I just did that. Who goes into a professional situation, starts cursing, then catches themselves cursing and then curses because they cursed? It was almost like I had some kind of disorder where I was spewing out profanities — and I don't even use profanities that much!"

The takeaway ...

"I will always A) Have a script nearby even when I know the lines — and I had a script in my hands for my very next audition and for all the auditions after — and also B) Get some kind of collar or bracelet that buzzes when I start using profanity in a professional setting.

"But I'll never forget my audition for 'Shameless.' We didn't just go in one, two or three times. For me to get Veronica, it was seven auditions. At the time I was on a CBS show called 'Miami Medical' on the same Warner Bros. lot, which worked out because otherwise I wouldn't have been able to make those auditions. I had a PA (production assistant) to drive me across the lot in a golf cart in between setups on 'Miami Medical' and I would change on the golf cart from my scrubs to Veronica gear which, we all know what that is, do the audition, and then go back.

"Come to find out, John Wells said he did that many auditions because he wanted to know us as people. You can put on airs for the first two or three times you meet someone, but by the time you get to seven you're really starting to get to know the person.

"I will tell you this funny tidbit: Steve Howey (who plays Veronica's husband Kev) is quite a bit taller than I am — I am 5'3" and he's tall — so while we were doing the audition for the chemistry read, we did this walk-and-talk where we start laughing and I just started climbing him. It wasn't in the script. Afterwards he was like, 'You started climbing me like a tree!' And I did, I just climbed him. Who does that? But I think that's maybe what got us the part."

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Museums

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To be sure, attendance at the attractions always fluctuates based on weather, the presence or absence of popular special exhibitions, even the refusal of the sun to deliver the region eclipse totality more than once a century or so.

But taking an annual snapshot is a good way to monitor trends over time. And for all the institutions have to say about other measures of civic engagement, you can bet they look closely at total audience.

Examples of what the absence of a blockbuster can mean to a year's attendance figures came at the Museum of Contemporary Art and Adler Planetarium. Attendance at MCA fell off 25 percent in 2018, to 278,000, from the record-setting 2017 featuring the Takashi Murakami exhibition; staffers were encouraged, however, that 278,000 is about a 12 percent boost over the more typical attendance in 2016.

And the Adler dropped 17.3 percent to 526,000 in 2018, but 2017's numbers were goosed by the presence of peak solar eclipse



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Five new exhibits at the DuSable Museum of African American History are credited with a 2018 attendance rise of 31 percent.

viewing in Illinois.

Elsewhere on the museum campus, Field Museum suffered the greatest decline, falling 15.3 percent to 1.525 million visitors during its 125th anniversary year. The Field was under repair for large chunks of the year, recasting its central hall and not getting star T. rex skeleton Sue back on display until December.

Shedd Aquarium dropped 4.1 percent to 1.900 million visitors, part of an apparent trend among nature parks. The free Lincoln Park Zoo fell 9.3 percent during its 150th anniversary year to 3.420 million visitors. Brookfield Zoo dropped 14.2 percent

to 1.909 million people. And Chicago Botanic Garden counted 6.9 percent fewer heads, or 1.046 million.

A run of bad-weather weekends in spring and fall, plus some unusual heat and humidity in summer, were a factor at the outdoor attractions, said a Lincoln Park Zoo spokeswoman.

Modest audience declines versus 2017 came at National Museum of Mexican Art (2.2 percent), Chicago History Museum (3.4 percent) and Chicago Children's Museum (8.2 percent).

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IN PERFORMANCE: 'How I Learned to Drive' ★★★

Painful memories

A woman recalls abuse at her uncle's hands in prizewinning play

BY KERRY REID
Chicago Tribune

Midway through Paula Vogel's "How I Learned to Drive," a man gives fishing lessons to an unseen child. He describes the pompano as "a very shy, mercurial fish," and advises that catching one "takes patience and psychology."

That seemingly innocent advice lands with painful recognition — because we've just spent an hour watching that same man, Uncle Peck, manipulate and coerce his teenage niece-by-marriage, Li'l Bit, into a series of sexually abusive encounters in 1960s suburban Maryland. Many of these take place as he does indeed teach her how to drive. As he gives her the tools for adult freedom behind the wheel, he's also destroying her innocence.

That paradox — the sexual abuser who gives crucial attention to his victim even as he ultimately robs them of their ability to trust — has been explored in other plays. One thinks of the brilliant scene in John Patrick Shanley's "Doubt," where the mother of a parochial school boy meets the nun who suspects the parish priest of abusing the boy. The mother tells the sister that even if she's right about the priest, "maybe he's doing some good, too."

But Vogel's 1997 play (which won the Pulitzer in 1998) takes a deeper dive than other theatrical work on the subject matter (including Bruce Norris' "Downstate," produced at Steppenwolf this past fall). She lays out the mechanics

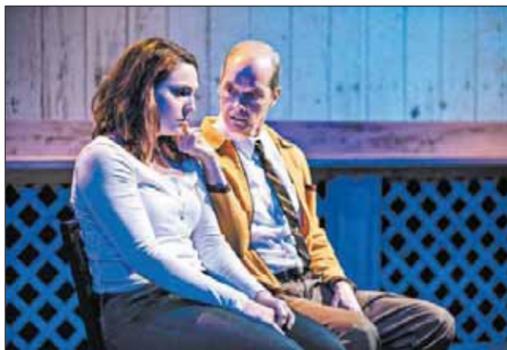
of how abusers groom their victims and how those victims learn to rationalize and compartmentalize their experiences in order to survive. But her approach, despite some Brechtian flourishes relating the rules of driving to the way Li'l Bit negotiates her personal journey, is never distancing or clinical.

In Raven Theatre's current production, staged by artistic director Cody Estle, Vogel's story unspools with sensitivity, yet seldom spares our sensibilities. It's not always easy to watch, nor should it be. As Li'l Bit, Eliza Stoughton negotiates the age shifts in the character, narrating backward and in broken chronology from the 1980s to her early teen years. She's not an unreliable narrator. Rather, she is putting the pieces together along with us as her story unfolds, which makes riding shotgun through the back roads of her memory a distinctly discomfiting experience.

And while it's quite clear that Mark Ulrich's Peck is the predator, Stoughton's layered performance shows us that being the prey takes many forms, especially in a family where you're either ignored, shushed, or mocked for your voluptuous figure. (The latter also marks Li'l Bit's school years — she refuses to go out on the floor at a school dance because she knows that her large breasts will be the object of unwanted attention.) And in one of the more chilling scenes, we see the 20-something Li'l Bit decide to return the overtures of a teenage boy out of her own need for power and control.



Eliza Stoughton, Julian Hester, Kathryn Acosta and Katherine Bourne Taylor in "How I Learned to Drive" at Raven Theatre.



Eliza Stoughton and Mark Ulrich in "How I Learned to Drive" at Raven Theatre.

Three actors play the supporting roles and serve as a choral counterpoint for Li'l Bit and Peck. Sometimes the performances verge on the cartoonish — though they also inject needed humor into what would otherwise be an unbearably disturbing narrative. Julian Hester and Katherine Bourne Taylor as Li'l Bit's contentious and crude grandparents show us just why escaping behind the wheel with Uncle Peck seems like a good idea,

even if "drawing the line" on his physical attentions becomes increasingly difficult.

It's not just her family and peers who sexualize her. Jeffrey D. Kmiec's set — a diagonal slash of road with a large billboard-like structure behind it — provides the backdrop for a series of projections, designed by Tony Churchill, that evoke the sexist advertising imagery of the 1960s, as well as giving us the "chapter titles" for the

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Where: Raven Theatre, 6157 N. Clark St.

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driving manual. We're reminded that Li'l Bit's abuse didn't just happen in a family vacuum, but as part of a larger syndrome of constant sexualization of young girls.

We also get hints that Peck himself has demons of unknown origin. In a sympathetic yet carefully modulated monologue, Peck's wife, Mary (Kathryn Acosta), lays out her belief that his experiences in World War II left him scarred and prone to alcoholism. That's not an excuse for what he does to Li'l Bit (who notably agrees to meet him once a week in return for his promise not to drink). But it highlights that predators can be damaged people

who inflict damage on others rather than confront the sources of their pain. Both Stoughton and Ulrich excel at hinting at their need for sympathy from each other — a need that drives Peck to accelerate his attentions in subtle and insidious ways.

In the decades since "How I Learned to Drive" was first produced, we've learned a lot more about how predators operate. Some of what Vogel lays out here may now seem obvious in the aftermath of multiple sexual abuse stories that have encompassed universities, entertainment moguls and churches, among other institutions. But in Estle's production, we clearly see how — one little bit after another — victims are reeled in. Even if they manage to swim away from the source of their pain, the hooks remain.

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Vocalist Helen Marnie of Ladytron performs in London in 2011.

RECORDINGS

Ladytron's bewitching return

BY GREG KOT
Chicago Tribune

After expanding the parameters of electronic and club music in its first decade, the four members of Ladytron took an eight-year break before reconvening. The self-titled "Ladytron" (IK7 Music) aims to reintroduce the quartet to an audience accustomed to Soundcloud-era music saturation. Yet from the get-go, Ladytron makes it clear that it's in no hurry to ride trends or jump on the pop treadmill.

Ladytron occupies its own niche, as one would expect of a band that named itself after one of the most adventurous songs by British art-rock avatars Roxy Music. "Ladytron," which appeared on Roxy's 1972 debut album, is a futuristic track defined by the otherworldly rumble of Brian Eno's VCS3 synthesizer. The track created its own sonic universe, and in the same way Ladytron orchestrates machines to build something simultaneously exotic, seductive and forbidding.

Originating in England, the band is now a multi-continental collaboration,



'Ladytron'

Ladytron
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with members living in Chicago, Brazil, Scotland and London. The music similarly draws from disparate threads, ranging from industrial and '80s synth-pop to darkwave and even metal (Sepultura's Igor Cavalera played drums during the recording sessions).

Yet the album isn't a hodgepodge of influences, but a carefully integrated mood piece, and the mood is bleak. The opening track, "Until the Fire," puts the listener in the middle of a thick doomsday swirl. Robotic voices march toward their demise, much like the figures on the album cover rushing into a hellish forest fire.

Images of Apocalypse pop through the lyrics, and the band's array of synthesizers creates a dense, claustrophobic backdrop. Yet vocalists Helen Marnie and Mira Aroyo extract melodies from the gloom, and give each song a glimpse of sunlight. It's both bewitching and alarming: Against the jabbing synths and pulverizing pulse of "Deadzone," Marnie sounds strangely becalmed as she sings, "The purr of the flames, I can't get away."

"Run" invokes a children's game turned deadly. "You've Changed" suggests vintage Eurythmics, a whip-cracking pop song twisted into something sinister. "Tower of Glass" hints at melodic innocence before swarming keyboards engulf the vocals. Yet the band still sees a future through the smoke. Even as the closing track conjures images from an ecological disaster ("How's the water? The blue pill is for you?"), it's not quite the end. "Tomorrow," Ladytron sings, "is another day."

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Fierce competition

Meet the Chicagoan on the new season of 'RuPaul's Drag Race'

BY TRACY SWARTZ
Chicago Tribune

Reginald Steele said he moved to Chicago about a year-and-a-half ago to try to find work at a nonprofit. The drag enthusiast said he had trouble getting a job so he became a full-time entertainer.

The 29-year-old Uptown resident — whose stage name is Silky Nutmeg Ganache — is now one of 15 competitors on Season 11 of "RuPaul's Drag Race," which is scheduled to premiere at 8 p.m. Thursday. Applying for a spot on the VH1 series — like changing careers in Chicago — wasn't initially Steele's plan.

He said he got the idea to audition when he had a tough time preparing for Miss Continental Plus, a pageant that celebrates the art of female impersonation.

"I was thinking about auditioning, and I had a friend who was like, 'Let's do it. I'll do your tape for you.' And we banged out the tape in a week. I didn't take it too seriously. I was just like, 'Let's do it. Everything else is going wrong, what else can go wrong?'" Steele said by phone. "Never in a million years did I think that I would actually get on. That was my first time submitting a complete audition tape."

Steele grew up in Mississippi and attended Wabash College in Indiana — where a mentor nicknamed him "Silky" because "he said that I'm always classy, but sometimes ghetto." Steele tackled on "Ganache" after hearing the phrase "silky ganache" on a Food Network show. "Nutmeg" was added a few years later. Steele said he's been performing drag for six or seven years, including gigs at Hydrate, Roscoe's Tavern, Splash and Berlin in Boystown.

Roscoe's is set to host a premiere party Thursday featuring Steele and fellow



Silky Nutmeg Ganache competes on the new season of "RuPaul's Drag Race."

contestant Soju, a South Korea native who spent some childhood years in Rockford and the Crystal Lake area. Soju moved to Los Angeles in December after living in the Ravenswood neighborhood.

The contestants undergo a series of challenges in the hopes of being crowned "America's next drag superstar." This season's celebrity guest judges include Chicago natives Gina Rodriguez and Lena Waithe, Miley Cyrus, Joel McHale and Cara Delevingne.

The winner is slated to receive \$100,000. Steele said if he won, \$50,000 would go to his grandmother so she could retire from teaching and "see the world." The rest would go to a foundation Steele would start so he could give

scholarships to students who are black or identify as LGBTQ.

"I just want the viewers to know that I am your family. I am that crazy cousin, that crazy younger brother. I am truly your family, and when you see me, I hope that you see the essence of my Southern upbringing. I hope you see the essence that I am a caring individual and that I'm not only there for the competition," Steele said. "It's one thing to win a competition and be very competitive, but it's another thing to be caring, giving to the other contestants to make sure they're at their best while you're at your very best."

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WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Scott Foley

"Whiskey Cavalier" (9 p.m., ABC): ABC aired a sneak preview late last Sunday after the Oscars, but tonight marks the official premiere of this breezy new action dramedy, which stars fan favorites Scott Foley and Lauren Cohan ("The Walking Dead") as, respectively, FBI super-agent Will Chase — whose code-name gives this series its title — who is assigned to work with tough-as-nails CIA operative Francesca "Frankie" Trowbridge (Cohan).

"The Masked Singer" (7 p.m., FOX): Based on a South Korean program, this surreal singing competition has polarized viewers, who tend to regard it either as a giddy megadose of silliness that's an antidote for troubled times or the end of western civilization as we know it. Maybe it's the elaborate costumes the mystery performers wear, or maybe it's that most of the competing celebrity singers aren't generally regarded as singers (Margaret Cho? Terry Bradshaw? Tori Spelling?).

"Riverdale" (7 p.m., CW): Gladys (recurring guest star Gina Gershon) unexpectedly returns to Riverdale, throwing a wrench into Veronica's (Camila Mendes) plans to steer her father Hiram (Mark Consuelos) away from the drug trade in the new episode "Chapter Forty-Eight: Requiem for a Welterweight." Betty's (Lili Reinhart) concern for her mother skyrockets when Alice (Madchen Amick) decides to take her commitment to The Farm to the next level.

"grown-ish" (7 p.m., FREE): When her midterm exam falls on the morning after the biggest rager of the semester, Zoey (Yara Shahidi) ill-advisedly decides to adopt a "work hard, play harder" strategy, which inevitably leaves her forced to deal with some unpleasant circumstances after the fact in the new "Wild'n Cuz I'm Young."

"Suits" (9 p.m., 12:04 a.m., USA): Season 8 of this long-running series has been a turbulent one, as the legal dramedy reinvented itself in the wake of two high-profile cast departures — Patrick J. Adams and Meghan Markle — at the end of Season 7. The recent season has seen recurring players Dule Hill and Amanda Schull promoted to series regular status and the arrival of new leading lady Katherine Heigl.

"Documentary Now!" (10 p.m., IFC): You have to give the writers behind this faux-documentary series credit for not being afraid to parody some relatively obscure yet classic films, in this case filmmaker D.A. Pennebaker's "Original Cast Album: Company," which chronicled the overnight recording of a 1970 Stephen Sondheim Broadway musical LP.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comic Cedric the Entertainer.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Jessica Chastain; actor Patton Oswalt; Gary Clark Jr. performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): TV host John Oliver; BLACKPINK performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Comic Adam Carolla; actress Lauren Cohan; Maná performs.*

* Subject to change

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	NBC 5	Chicago Med: "Old Flames, New Sparks." (N) ©	Chicago Fire: "Fault in Him." (N) ©	Chicago P.D.: "The Forgotten." (N) ©	NBC 5 News (N) ▶				
	ABC 7	The Goldbergs (N)	Schooled (N) ©	Modern Family (N)	Single Parents (N)	Whiskey Cavalier: "Pilot." (Series Premiere) (N) ©	News at 10pm (N) ▶		
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	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)	Nature: "Yosemite." ©	NOVA: "Great Human Odyssey." ©					
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©		
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett ©		
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Bounce 26.5	The Game	The Game	Assault on Precinct 13 (R,'05) ***	Ethan Hawke.	Set It Off ▶				
FOX 32	The Masked Singer: "Road to the Finals; Season Finale: The Final Mask Is Lifted." (Season Finale) (N) ©			Fox 32 News at Nine (N)	Modern Family				
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UniMas 60	Tres Milagros (N)	Atrapada (N)			Rosario Tijeras (N)	Tiro de ▶			
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CABLE	AE	Trump Dynasty	Biography: The Trump Dynasty (N) © (Part 3 of 3)		Trump ▶				
	AMC	Twister (PG-13,'96) ***	Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton. ©	The Breakfast Club ***					
	ANIM	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed: "Manhunt!" (N)	Lone Star Law ©		Lone Star ▶				
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	BET	Welcome Home Roscoe	Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son (PG-13,'11) ★						
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	BRAVO	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ (N)	Mexican Dynasties ©	Watch (N)				
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	HGTV	Property Brothers ©	Property Brothers (N) ©	Hunters (N) Hunt Intl (N) Property ▶					
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	MSNBC	All In With (N)	Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)	11th Hour ▶				
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PARMT	Dirty Grandpa (R,'16) ★	Robert De Niro, Zac Efron. ©	Dirty Grandpa (R,'16) ★						
SYFY	(5:30) San Andreas **	The Magicians (N) ©	Deadly Class (N) ©	AlienNews					
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Hollywood embraces the art of drag

In 'A Star Is Born,' 'Dumplin'' real-life artists get spotlight

BY DANIELLE TURCHIANO
Variety

When "RuPaul's Drag Race" launched on Logo a decade ago, it was watched by so few people that the inaugural run was later lovingly dubbed "The Lost Season." But as the years and seasons of that reality competition series went on, its popularity grew exponentially and its influence subsequently spread over other parts of the entertainment industry — from a sketch on "Saturday Night Live," to seeing the queens who had come through the competition guest star on scripted television shows including "Playing House" and "Room 104," to having drag performers become integral talent on the big screen.

"It's this whole new economy and business that has come out of this show — and an economy and a business that are shining a light on artists that are heroes," "Drag Race" executive producer Randy Barbato told Variety last year. "It's not an easy gig, being a drag queen."

Recent films such as "A Star Is Born" showcased the artistry with scene-stealing moments set in drag clubs, while projects such as Netflix's "Dumplin'," Fox's version of "Rent" and Snap's docu-series "Growing Up Is a Drag" celebrated the performance aspect of drag, as well as some of those deeper aspects — the heart and soul of the people behind the personas.

"Part of what's awesome about drag is it's just one part of their lives — and it's a magical part of their lives," says Patty Ivins, executive producer of "Growing Up Is a Drag," of her teenage subjects. "It's



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Dolly Parton, left, and Dolly Parton impersonator Jason Cozmo arrive at the premiere of Netflix's "Dumplin'."

an amazing coming-of-age story with a fresh way to look at it. They're just reinventing what it is to be a 16-year-old boy and they created the freedom to do that — they created their own rules."

The idea of drag being a valuable part of storytelling is hardly new, but hiring real drag queens to tell their own stories or to take on layered scripted characters is a modern advancement. The 1994 Australian picture "The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" — a global hit — introduced drag performing to many in the audience, while Universal Pictures' 1995 film "To Wong Foo Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar" thrust drag queens into the spotlight

with a story about three who get stranded in a small town in the middle of a road trip. But its main stars (Wesley Snipes, Patrick Swayze and John Leguizamo) — as with the stars of "Priscilla" — were actors without prior drag experience, let alone genuine drag personas. Recent films and television tend to come down on the side of authenticity, though.

"In my experience in past television shows or films, drag... a lot of times is a punchline — it's a man running around in a wig," says D.J. "Shangela" Pierce, who appeared on multiple seasons of "Drag Race" and played the drag bar emcee and owner in "A Star Is Born."

But Pierce says Bradley

Cooper, who co-wrote, produced, directed and starred in "A Star Is Born," wanted to bring as much truth of the real-life drag world into the pivotal setting in which his character Jack first met Ally (Lady Gaga) in the film.

Pierce was looking to create someone who equally knew how to put on a show, hosting open mics at the bar as a "cabaret-type girl," but who was also "mature" and "established."

"The way it was written and the way they allowed us to add little pieces of sugar and spice to it made it feel very authentic, and it was just a slice of life," Pierce says.

"Jackson Maine (Cooper) just happens to

pop into a drag bar, and there are people who would not be weirded out by that, and he was one of those people. And that made (it) a very inclusive message."

"A Star Is Born" also featured "Drag Race" alumna Willam, while Fox's live version of "Rent" cast Valentina in the role of Angel Dumott Schunard, and "Dumplin'" featured Joshua Allan Eads, aka Ginger Minj, among others.

But by having Valentina, who identifies as gender nonbinary, in "Rent," the conversation is also being forwarded in ways that would not have been possible a few years ago, let alone when it was first performed in the mid-1990s.

"It really reflects the time about how not everybody is cisgendered and we all need to be supportive of people who are different," Valentina says.

When adapting "Dumplin'" from Julie Murphy's 2015 novel of the same name, writer and producer Kristin Hahn wanted to expand the impact the encounter with the drag world had on protagonist Willowdean (Danielle Macdonald). In the novel, drag queen Lee offers Willowdean a boost of confidence from an unexpected place after the teenage enters a beauty pageant. In the film, Hahn wanted Lee to have a personal connection to Willowdean to deepen the emotions of the relationship, but she also wanted to show there is more than one type of drag queen.

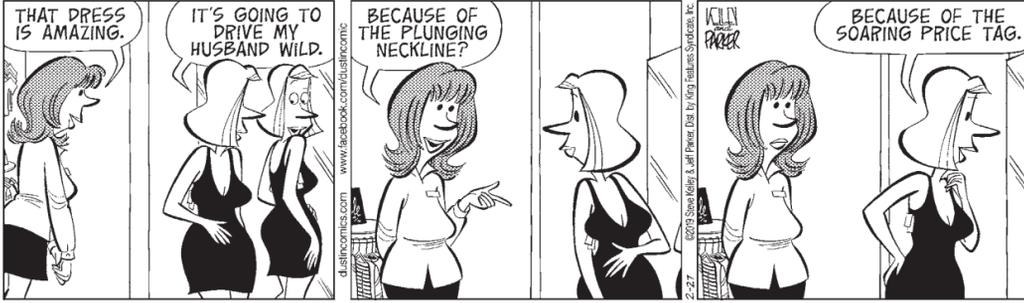
In order to achieve this, the film put out a casting call for real-life drag queens in Atlanta, where the project was being shot, and found a lot of talent to populate the special Dolly Parton night at the drag bar that Willowdean attends — "One of the backup singers was a real Dolly Parton impersonator," she says. Eads was cast as Candee

Disch, a comedic partner to Lee, who was played by Harold Perrineau. "We wanted an actor who had solid comedic and dramatic chops," Hahn says of the role of Lee. "But he really drafted off Ginger Minj, and it provided a more fleshed-out world."

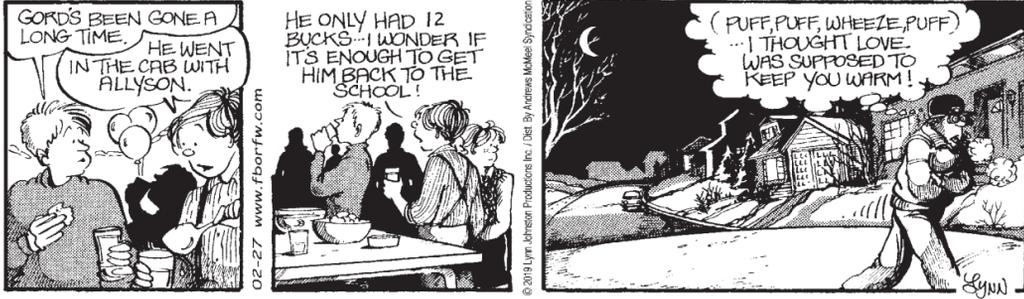
Being able to offer a fuller look at the diversity in drag and inspire acceptance of all was key for Hahn. "The message of the movie is really about loving and embracing all kinds of beauty — there is not just one standard," she says. "And I think that's something that drag really teaches us because it celebrates what it is to be female."

Malina Saval contributed.

Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



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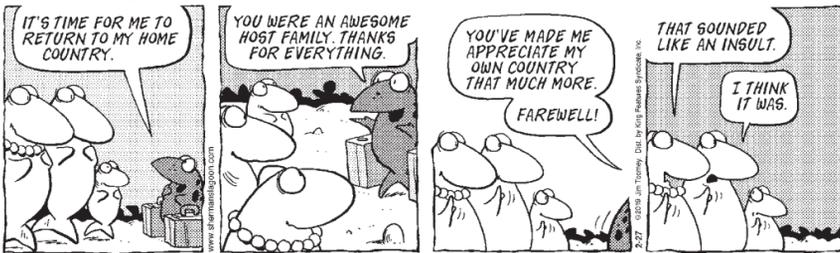
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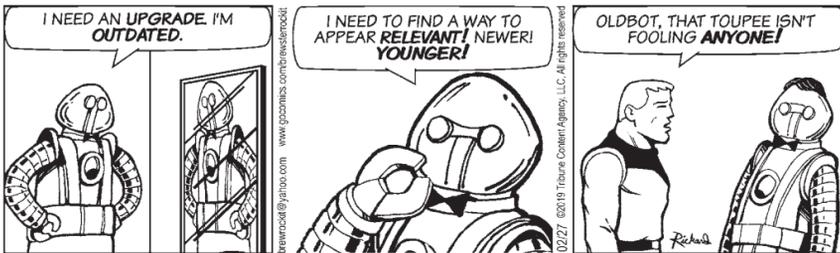
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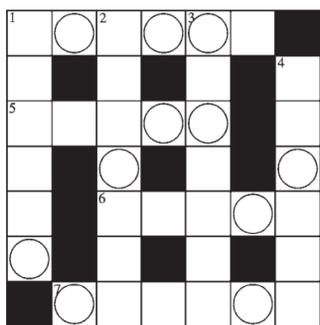
Trivia Bits

Which is the largest country in Africa by population?

- A) Egypt
- B) Ethiopia
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- D) South Africa

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Jumble Crossword



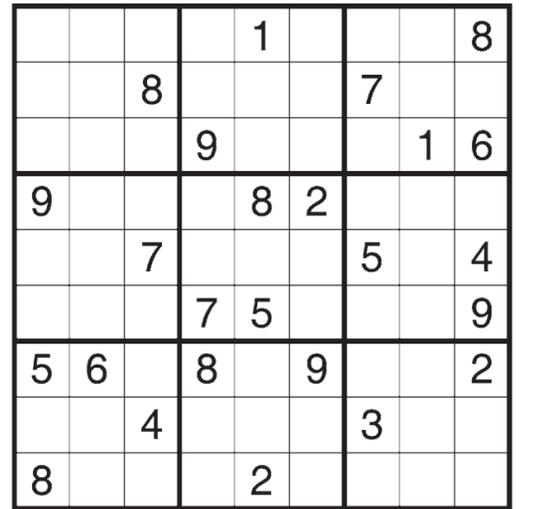
- CLUE ACROSS**
1. Home to Georgetown
 5. Last Greek letter
 6. Pipe _____
 7. Copy _____
- CLUE DOWN**
1. Dreary
 2. Gave in
 3. Closest
 4. Seethe, smolder

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

BONUS _____ was an avid chef and wrote two cookbooks.

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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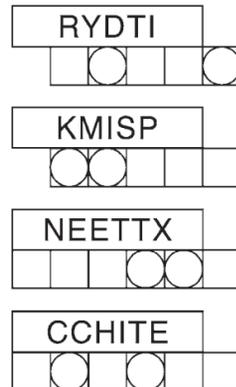
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Tuesday's solutions

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Jumble

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Tuesday's answers

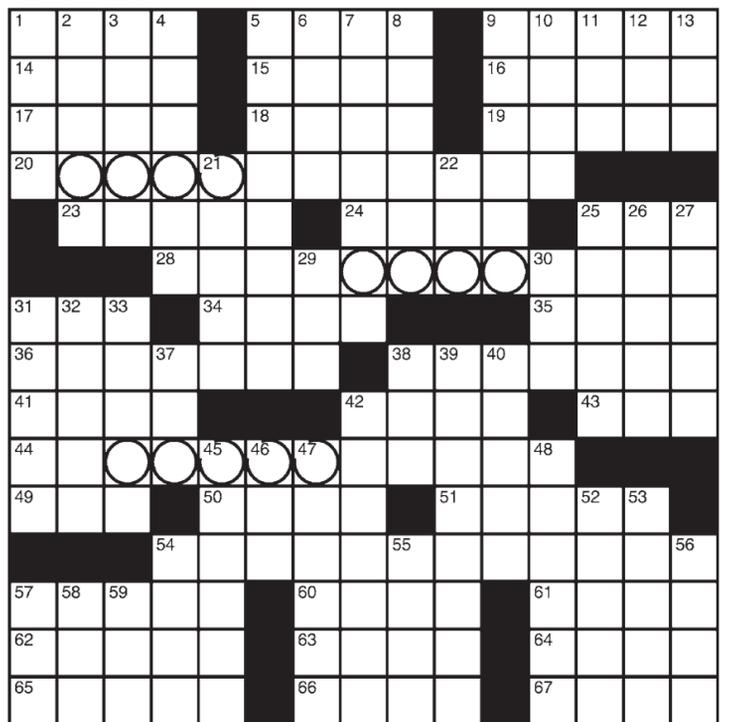
Jumbles: HOUND BRIBE INDIGO GROGGY
Answer: The ant's eggs hatched, and she didn't mind a bit when the babies started — BUGGING HER

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Crossword

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- Across**
- 1 Old Russian ruler
 - 5 Landlocked African nation
 - 9 Wedding registry category
 - 14 Famous final question
 - 15 "Ducky" Mallard's alma mater, on "NCIS"
 - 16 Support people
 - 17 Prefix in juice names
 - 18 Tends to the lawn
 - 19 '50s four-wheeled failure
 - 20 Particular
 - 23 Kitchen counter?
 - 24 "___" thought
 - 25 Place to unwind
 - 28 Hospital bigwig
 - 31 Gig gear
 - 34 Lessen
 - 35 Tweak, as text
 - 36 Some trucks
 - 38 The North Pole, for Santa
- Down**
- 41 Opposite of endo-
 - 42 Flat-bottomed vessel
 - 43 Daisy Ridley's "The Last Jedi" role
 - 44 Formally accuse of wrongdoing
 - 49 Blue Jays' home: Abbr.
 - 50 Mimicked
 - 51 Small lizard
 - 54 Game played on a floor or table, and a hint to this puzzle's circled letters
 - 57 Fluffy-eared "bear"
 - 60 Hair-removal brand
 - 61 Vintage ski lift
 - 62 Arouse, as wrath
 - 63 Basic French verb
 - 64 Theta follower
 - 65 Tank fish
 - 66 "Keep it ___" Provide job support for?
- 13** Syst. for the hearing-impaired
21 Giggle
22 Sun Devils' sch.
25 Passover feast
26 Self-assurance
27 On pins and needles
29 Curvy letter
30 Berlin's home: Abbr.
31 Showing mastery
32 Prefix with brewery
33 Rocker Frampton
37 Scrubbing brand
38 Unlike this ans.
39 Technically flawed comic poetry
40 Nerdy sort
42 Tragic end
45 Much of North Africa
46 PC brain
47 Noted bunny lover
48 Nova ___
52 Skewered meat
53 Give a political speech
54 Put-down
55 Turkey bacon?
56 "Well, shoot"
57 Modeling convenience
58 Tip jar bill
59 Perform
- Tuesday's solution**
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HEALTH & FAMILY



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chicago Cubs shortstop Addison Russell addresses members of the media Feb. 15 during spring training in Mesa, Ariz., about his suspension for domestic violence.

How do we handle abusers?

BY CINDY DAMPIER
Chicago Tribune

When Cubs player Addison Russell stepped to the mic earlier this month in front of a room full of reporters, he stuck to a simple message: "I am accountable for my past actions," a phrase he repeated more than once in the nearly 20-minute exchange.

In some circles, it didn't sound like much of an admission.

Russell was speaking on the occasion of his return to spring training workouts with his team, and the beginning of a second chance at his major league career. Last fall, an allegation of domestic abuse by his ex-wife — which he initially denied — resulted in a 40-game suspension under the MLB domestic violence policy.

Russell's appearance raised tough questions for some observers, who wondered whether the Cubs should bring the 25-year-old player back at all.

For Cindy Southworth, executive vice president of the National Network to End Domestic Violence, the answer was easy. "Zero tolerance is not that great an idea," she says, "even though on paper it sounds like a great idea." Southworth and others who work with victims and abusers say that's just one in a list of surprising realities around abuse and treatment that are often raised in high-profile cases.

The second chance is good for everyone. Southworth and other advocates say the best approach is somewhat counterintuitive. "We advocate for a measured but robust approach," she says, pri-

marily because it's safer for victims. "If you have a zero-tolerance policy where the first time a victim calls 911 her abuser loses his entire career and livelihood, it actually drives down victims disclosing and coming forward." If one phone call effectively destroys an abuser professionally, his victim may find herself in an even more dangerous position. "You have to worry not only about losing your mortgage or rent money, but about the increased risk of you dying, because he's got nothing to lose at that point."

Abuser treatment hinges on education and accountability. Russell's comments, which seemed canned and careful, were batterer treatment 101. "It's all about accountability," says David Adams, co-founder of Emerge, the nation's first counseling program for domestic abusers. "We ask the person to describe what their abusive behavior was, and if they can't do that, then they are failing the first step of accountability. Then we ask them who was responsible, and if they are blaming their partner, then they're not answering to step two."

Russell's mention of learning what domestic abuse is also speaks to a key tenet of treatment. "Many abusers have a very narrow definition of abuse," says Adams. "We expand that to include things like putting your fist through walls, emotional abuse,

financial abuse."

Treatment — and change — are difficult. Data to quantify success rates for abuser treatment programs have been notoriously difficult to obtain. But, according to Adams, men who complete — not merely attend — treatment programs are two to four times less likely to become abusive again.

He notes that anti-domestic abuse programs are analogous to programs such as substance abuse treatment, which we no longer expect to be a one-shot cure. "People think that you should be able to go to one session, and if you don't change, that's a failure," he says. "The reality is, this is just like any other change program."

Abuse is a failure of choice. Though people commonly point to alcohol use, growing up in an abusive home or other factors as causes of domestic abuse, experts say research doesn't bear that out. "It is a learned behavior," says Southworth, "and it can be unlearned. It's not an addiction, it's not mental health, it's chosen. So you can choose not to."

Southworth says that people around an abuser have to be careful never to cast him as the victim. "One thing that every person from fans to athletes on the team can do is to treat him like a normal human being that they enjoy spending time with. But don't

minimize what he's done or the steps he's taken. 'Oh man, that was a crock' is not an appropriate response. He's being held accountable for behavior he chose to enact."

Accountability isn't a "them" problem; it's an "us" problem.

Experts say that keeping an abuser on the path to change requires 360-degree accountability. "I wish we lived in a world where the entire community held abusers accountable," says Southworth. "The abuser's mom, the abuser's friends, the abuser's employer — it would be ideal if it wasn't just the victim and the justice system holding the abuser accountable. Imagine if your best guy friend said, 'Hell to the no.' What if your mom called and said, 'I hear you've been putting your girlfriend down and treating her like dirt. Cut it out, or you're not invited to Sunday dinner.' What if your whole community said, 'Not on my watch?'"

We have a long way to go to reach that level of response from society at large. "We are fighting against thousands of years of a culture that says this is a private, family matter," Southworth says. But in Russell's case, as the Cubs have acknowledged, it will partly be up to his coaches and teammates to help him stay on track, and to call him into question if his behavior doesn't measure up.

Weirdly, Major League Base-

ball may have something to teach us here. Major league sports leagues have a long, ugly history of covering up, enabling and minimizing domestic violence issues among athletes. But MLB's policy on domestic violence actually puts it far ahead of most workplaces when it comes to addressing the issue among employees. If domestic abuse comes to light, "most employers may be in a place where they are disturbed by it but not sure if it's their role to become involved," says Southworth. "They may not have a policy in place. And I would encourage employers to do something similar to what MLB is doing, where there is a measured approach, there is accountability, there are sanctions and there are opportunities for change. I wish more employers said, 'We don't want this behavior in our workforce.'"

Now comes the real test. Cubs management has adopted a wait-and-see policy when it comes to Russell's rehabilitation. If he abuses again, the response will be watched closely by both fans and other players who might have similar issues. "He cannot continue to abuse and control his partners," says Southworth. "Full stop. Done. He's been given a chance to understand what he has done, why it's wrong, and how an equal relationship is about shared power, not about one person making all the decisions. If he doesn't change that behavior, the Cubs have to let him go."

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Wis. coaches gave girls awards for body parts

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Balancing Act

A cheerleading squad at a Kenosha high school has attracted the American Civil Liberties Union's attention after a parent complained that girls were being given "Big Boobie" and "Big Booty" awards. By their coaches. In 2018.

In real life. Not a Seth MacFarlane movie.

At last year's annual banquet for the Tremper High School cheerleaders, according to The New York Times, coaches handed out some eye-popping awards. "There was the Big

Boobie award for the girl with the biggest breasts," the Times reports. "The coach giving the award, according to several parents among the 100 people in attendance, made a joke that the girl risked a concussion when she ran because of her 'enormous

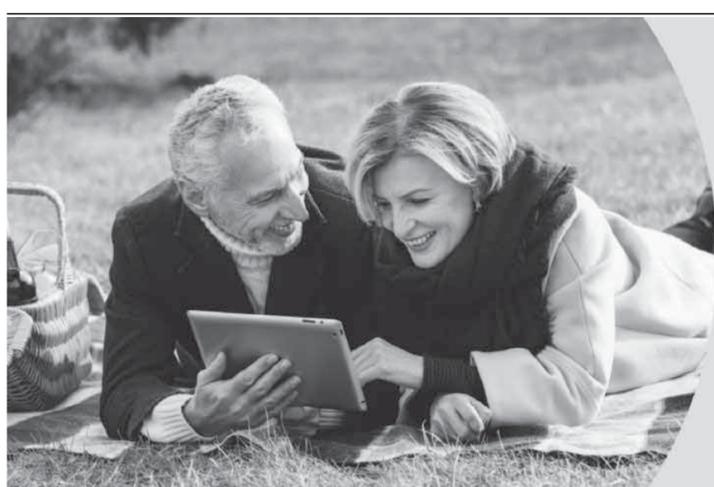
boobs.' There was a Big Booty award for another girl. In a video from the event, held at a local catering hall, the coach presenting the award said: 'We love her butt. Everybody loves her butt.'

"The String Bean award," the Times reports,

"went to a freshman who, as the Tremper cheerleading coach Patti Uttech later told school administrators, 'was so light and skinny.'"

Last week, the ACLU tweeted that it's on the case: "BREAKING: Keno-

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'Extreme' exercise OK, study shows

Middle-aged athletes are at no greater risk

By DENNIS THOMPSON
HealthDay

Middle-aged men who partake in extreme exercise are not putting their heart health at risk, a new study contends.

Aging athletes who do eight or more hours a week of vigorous exercise have no greater risk of early death than people who work out less often, researchers found.

Extreme exercise included activities such as fast running or biking, as well as competitive sports such as basketball or tennis.

In fact, middle-aged men who didn't already have hardening of the arteries saw their odds for early death fall by half if they regularly engaged in vigorous activity, noted senior researcher Dr. Benjamin Levine. He's director of the Institute for Exercise and Environmental Medicine, a collaboration of University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas.

"Being a high-level athlete was clearly protective and not injurious" for those with lower levels of arterial plaques, Levine said.

Previous studies had questioned whether extreme exercise could be harmful, because some very active athletes tended to have higher levels of coronary artery calcification (CAC), researchers said in background notes.

Heart doctors use imaging tests to check for CAC as a means of assessing risk for heart attack, stroke or heart disease. Coronary calcium is a footprint of atherosclerosis, in which plaques accumulate in the blood vessels that supply the heart.

"Particularly the male athletes tended to have



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Older athletes who do at least eight hours a week of vigorous exercise have no greater risk of early death than those exercising less, researchers found.

more coronary plaques, and the plaques they did have were virtually all calcified," Levine said.

But no study had ever taken the next logical step, he added.

"No one actually ever determined whether that made them at higher risk of death or not, and that's really the whole question," Levine said. "Who cares if they have more calcium if they don't die (prematurely)?"

To examine this more closely, Levine and his colleagues studied data gathered on nearly 22,000 generally healthy men, ages 40 to 80, during the years from 1998 through 2013.

The men reported their activity levels and underwent coronary calcium scanning. Most were runners, but some were cyclists, swimmers, rowers or triathletes.

Extreme exercise was defined as eight or more hours a week of activity at an average of 10 metabolic equivalents, or METS, Levine said. METS are a measure of the energy spent in activity.

Vigorous exercise at 6 METS or higher can include jogging at 6 mph or faster, bicycling at 14 mph or faster, carrying heavy loads, or playing competitive basketball, soccer or tennis, according to the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

"People don't typically do that for recreational fitness," Levine said of these exercise levels. "They're more likely to do that for competitive fitness."

The athletes were split into two groups based on their CAC scores, and researchers compared them based on their levels of physical activity. The inves-

tigators tracked participants' rate of death for any cause and specifically for heart disease.

During the study period, extremely active athletes with low CAC scores died half as often as the least-active men with similar CAC scores, the findings showed. They also were 61 percent less likely to die of heart disease.

Those with high CAC scores also appeared to do well.

Extreme athletes with high arterial calcium were about 23 percent less likely to die compared with less active men, but there were so few deaths that the result was not statistically significant, Levine said.

"Rather than saying they have a lower risk of death, we say they had no greater risk of death," Levine said of extreme athletes with high CAC scores.

The study did not include women because their lower rates of death in middle age made a valid statistical comparison impossible. "The trend seems to be similar in men and women, but we can't say anything convincingly because the death rates were so low" in women, Levine said.

Levine pointed out that there are several potential reasons why extreme exercise might aid heart health rather than harm it.

"Exercise, particularly over a long time, causes increased flexibility and youthfulness of the heart and blood vessels," he said. "Blood vessels are better able to flex and send blood where it needs to go."

It also appears that plaques in arteries of extreme athletes tend to be more calcified and harder, making them less prone to

rupture and cause a blood vessel blockage, Levine said.

So how old might be too old to engage in extreme exercise?

"I don't think there's an upper age limit beyond which the benefit diminishes," Levine said. "The trick is to sustain a meaningful amount of exercise across your lifespan."

While extreme amounts of exercise don't appear to harm your heart, you don't need to do that much working out to keep yourself healthy, he noted.

"The biggest bang for your buck comes with the conversion from a sedentary to an active lifestyle," Levine said. "Most of the benefit for cardiovascular mortality tends to plateau at about the three- to five-hour-a-week mark."

The study was published online in JAMA Cardiology.

Stevens

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sha Unified School District is on notice. Our demand letter exposes their pervasive sex discrimination, including Tremper High School's cheerleading banquet objectifying girls' bodies. Awards distributed include 'Big Boobie' and 'Big Booty.'

The demand letter maintains the school district violated Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits sex discrimination in education programs that receive federal funds.

"Sexual harassment under Title IX includes not just physical sexual acts, but also verbal or nonverbal conduct that creates a hostile environment that denies or limits a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a school program or activity, such as a sports team," the letter states. "Wisconsin's Pupil Nondiscrimination Law contains similar prohibitions."

This year's awards banquet is in March. According to The Associated Press, the school will not give out the two controversial awards.

Uttech, the cheerleading coach, received a letter from the school district's human resources department shortly after last year's awards ceremony asking her to submit a formal resignation and send a letter apologizing to each of the cheerleaders who received the awards, the Times reports. Uttech and another coach, Nely DeThorne, wrote emails to the cheerleaders, saying they were "sincerely sorry for having caused you and your family any embarrassment or distress" but declined to resign, according to the Times.

A parent contacted the ACLU.

The ACLU wants the district to discipline the coaches who handed out the offending awards and mandate anti-harassment training for all district



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Coaches are in a position to guide cheerleaders and other athletes through the social minefield of high school.

employees. If the district refuses, the ACLU will consider filing a lawsuit, Emma Roth, a lawyer for the ACLU Women's Rights Project, told the Times.

Meanwhile, let's talk about all the ways these girls have been failed by the adults tasked with teaching, shaping and inspiring them.

The adults who, in theory, are there to guide teenagers through the social minefield of high school.

The adults tasked with helping these girls nimbly sidestep lunchroom cliques and Snapchat bullying and Juuling and the pressure to drink and the pressure to smoke pot and the pressure to have sex and the pressure to look like a Kardashian and the pressure to be pleasing on the outside no matter what you've got going on on the inside.

The adults who could, in ways both subtle and overt, remind their young charges that high school can be wonderful or terrible or something in between, and regardless, it is temporary. And the things you're judged for, remembered for, celebrated for, ridiculed for in high school bear very little resemblance to the things that matter most in the real world.

Instead, a coach and her cohorts turned the girls into body parts. Body parts that have always gotten more than their fair share

of attention in our culture. By the time a young woman graduates from high school, her breasts and her butt have been commented on, dress-coded, possibly groped, definitely judged and otherwise made to take up far more room on her list of worries than they should.

I'm trying to imagine being 16 or 17 and sitting in a room filled with my peers and their parents, gathered to celebrate a sport I love, and hearing an adult talk about my "enormous boobs." An adult I've been trained to revere or, at the very least, obey.

I'm trying to imagine what it would feel like to stand up and accept a "Big Boobie" award, all eyes on me as I do. I'm trying to imagine where I'd look. Down at the floor? Up at the ceiling? Into my coach's laughing eyes? Into the audience's?

I'm sorry any girl experienced that. I'm sorry adults so often forget how excruciating it can be to be young.

I'm glad the cheerleaders have the ACLU on their side. If any of them happen to be reading this, I'd like them to know they've got me on their side too.

Join the Heidi Stevens Balancing Act Facebook group, where she hosts live chats every Wednesday at noon.

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Our days overflow with creek and thank yous



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The Middle Ages

I warm these winter days with a dark drink, a flickering fireplace and a favorite book.

Life could be worse. Life could be better.

When it rains, a creek curls through the back of our property. I don't want to romanticize it, for it's mostly runoff from our lusty little cul-de-sac. Were you to work this creek for rainbow trout, you'd likely come up empty, though I did one time catch a giant compression sock.

Still, it's a creek. 4 percent of the time.

Lately, though, it's been almost thrashing. I've enjoyed the recent rains and the way they green the vales and rinse clean our precious strip malls, a point of pride for so many LA residents.

We are a region of extremes. California has no sensible center points. When it rains, it floods. It is either too rich or too poor, too wet or too dry, too tentative or too fast.

In the recent storms, a fluge of finches took the opportunity to gobble the lawn seed I'd put down in the front like little crusts of bread.

Most times, birds hunker down when it rains. Not these idiots. They gorged themselves on the finest Marathon seed, 20 bucks a can.

Bartender!!! In our neighborhood, the birds live better than I do.

And why not? The birds get up earlier, deal with homicidal cats, pesticides, leaf blowers, droughts and a soul-crushing, dreary-

beige suburban aesthetic.

Me, I stand out on the porch, shooting them away with helicopter arms. I can almost hear the finches giggle as they retreat to a far bush.

These beautiful birds, wearing little flecks of gold and red, may be nature's sequins. That doesn't mean they're perfect. I find them opportunistic and ungrateful, just like my snarky friends, "the Apostles."

By the way, have you ever tried to pen a sincere thank-you note to a wise guy? That's my latest challenge. It's been two months since my wife, Posh, passed, and the kids and I are finally getting to the notes.

That's an inexcusable amount of time, though in our defense, hers was an inexcusable disease. Maybe the delay was our way of jabbing back at God.

"We'll get to the damn notes when we're ready, pal. When our fingers quit quivering. When our tummies no longer flip at the thought she won't ever return."

"You OK with that, pal?"

Besides, good manners shouldn't be rushed. The lovely and patient older daughter finally put together a Google Doc spreadsheet. I guess it beat my own system: scribbling addresses on the leg of my favorite jeans.

When I finally opened the spreadsheet, I discovered that my daughter assigned me 80 percent of the thank-you notes and 100 percent of the notes to wise guys.

Having been a wise guy once myself, I sensed an opportunity to send a heartfelt message but was careful to find the proper tone:

"Dear friend," I wrote. "I wanted to take a moment to thank you for all

you did for us in our moment of need. You were extraordinary, and that surprised many of the guys, but not me. I've seen you be extraordinary before, though it is not common. Not so frequent as to become a character trait. And I hope it never does. Because were you to be extraordinary on a regular basis, what would you and I have in common, other than a passion for ridicule, raw oysters and old episodes of "Barney Miller"?

"In closing, I want to say that I love you. No, not in a sexy sense — don't go crazy. I love you the way I loved my best buddies back in the third grade. I love you in the way I loved my very first dog, Myron the Siren. Somehow, by virtue of your wry, subversive and wholly inappropriate sense of humor, you manage to summon in me a boyish verve. That's something I hope we never lose. At least not till Tuesday of the following week. Love forever, Erskine."

I wrote that same note a dozen times, customizing it to my buddies in spots. But the sentiment was always the same.

Sophomoric? Superremely so. For these friendships provide a goofy, childlike laugh track for everyday life. Had I not organized this makeshift men's club myself, I would probably pay to join it — though not a lot.

Less than a buck. Yet we have — with our coaching days behind us and our kids mostly grown — established a life-affirming second adolescence. Think of it as a Cub Scout den for middle-aged men who grind it out every day and always show up on my lawn whenever it pours.

Not exactly nature's sequins. Not exactly not.

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How to help cancer patients quit smoking

Many defy doctors' advice to kick habit

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The Philadelphia Inquirer

After Mary Moore was diagnosed with bladder cancer in 2016, she kept smoking, defying her doctors' advice and her sons' pleas.

"I liked smoking," recalled the Philadelphia resident, now 61. "I tried quitting before. I just didn't think I could quit."

Fortunately, she joined a clinical trial that proved her wrong. The study, run by the University of Pennsylvania and Northwestern University, gave 207 smokers with various cancers either 24 weeks of the smoking cessation drug Chantix or 12 weeks of the drug, which was then standard. Both groups also received counseling sessions.

"It definitely was a struggle, but the medication was helpful," said Moore, who was in the 24-week treatment group and has not smoked for more than two years.

Unfortunately, Moore's success was unusual. Contrary to the researchers' hypothesis, extended treatment with Chantix, or varenicline, did not improve overall quit rates at six months or a year — providing yet more evidence of the deadly grip of nicotine addiction.

Smoking has been shown to interfere with the effectiveness of cancer treatment and worsen patients' long-term prognosis. Yet only about 16 percent of patients in both treatment groups were tobacco-free at one year — worse than the rate seen in the general population of smokers, according to the study, published recently in the journal *Psycho-Oncology*.

"Personally, I'm not surprised," said lead researcher Robert Schnoll, a



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Smoking has been shown to interfere with the effectiveness of cancer treatment and worsen patients' long-term prognosis, but only about 16 percent of patients in a recent smoking-cessation clinical trial were tobacco-free at one year.

psychologist at Penn. "I've been working in nicotine dependence research for 20 years. The brain chemistry is affected by decades of exposure to nicotine. Some patients view smoking as critical to managing the stress in their lives."

Chantix curbs the compulsion to light up by binding to nicotine receptors in the brain. The drug blocks inhaled nicotine and partly activates the receptors, prompting a mild release of pleasure-signaling dopamine.

Chantix also has common side effects of nausea, headache and abnormal

dreams that deter some patients from sticking to treatment. (Early concerns that the drug could trigger serious psychiatric events were allayed by a global trial.)

The new study found that sticking to treatment improved abstinence — temporarily. After 24 weeks, 44 percent of adherent patients in the extended treatment group had not smoked at all, compared with 28 percent who stuck with the 12-week Chantix regimen. But at a year, "there were no significant treatment effects on risk for relapse or recovery."

For smokers in general, Chantix is now prescribed for 12 weeks, then extended for 12 more weeks if patients are having success with it.

The study enrolled patients who had malignancies with well-known and not-so-well-known links to smoking, including lung, urinary, kidney, pancreas, breast and skin cancers. About 20 percent of them had early stage cancers, 20 percent had advanced cancers and the rest were in remission after treatment.

Moore was still getting chemotherapy when she

got a letter about the Chantix study three months after her bladder cancer diagnosis.

"It was scary, but we caught it in time. The tumor had not penetrated the bladder wall," said Moore, an identity protection analyst. "I was lucky."

How does a life-threatening illness affect the will to quit?

"I think it made me look at my health," said Moore, who began smoking at age 16. "Even though I didn't believe smoking alone caused my cancer, it's not good for your body."

Schnoll said research shows that more than half of cancer patients quit immediately upon diagnosis, but many relapse.

Those facing a grim outlook may see no point in kicking a habit that helps them cope with anxiety and stress.

"We not only see that attitude among patients,

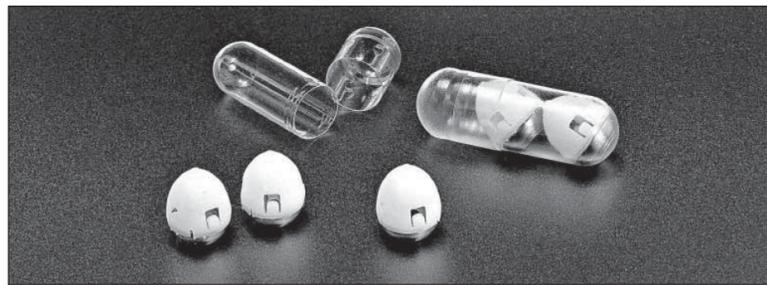
but also among clinicians," Schnoll said. "When we talk to oncologists about integrating smoking-cessation treatment, we often hear ideas that are fatalistic."

Given the remarkable advances in cancer care, both advocacy and research groups have called for adding quit-smoking support. The National Cancer Institute, for example, recently launched an effort to get the nation's NCI-designated cancer centers to begin or expand quit-smoking programs.

The key, Schnoll said, is to offer help without being "dogmatic."

"Patients have to be committed and willing. We have to be respectful of that," he said.

Moore agreed. "It was a combination of the medication and them telling me, if you slip up, it's not a failure," she said. "I didn't feel pressure."



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A swallowable device that can inject drugs from inside the stomach has been tested only in animals so far. But if it pans out, it might offer a workaround for some insulin shots.

Pea-sized pill delivers insulin shot from inside the stomach

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Scientists figured out how to hide a shot inside a pea-sized pill — creating a swallowable gadget, inspired by a tortoise shell, that can inject medicines like insulin from inside the stomach.

Patients usually prefer oral treatment, and comply with it better, but many compounds, including insulin for diabetes, can't survive the harsh trip through the digestive system.

The new invention, recently reported by a Massachusetts Institute of Technology-led research team, has been tested only in animals so far. But if it pans out, it might offer a workaround to make not just insulin but a variety of usually injected medicines a little easier to take.

"It's like a miniaturized rocket launcher" for insulin, said Willem Mulder of Mount Sinai's Translational and Molecular Imaging Institute, who wasn't involved in the new research.

Scientists have spent decades trying to develop oral insulin and replace at least some of the daily shots that many people with diabetes require. Attempts include ways to protect insulin from digestive breakdown and then help it be absorbed

through the intestine into the bloodstream. So far none has reached the market, although some closely watched candidates are being tested.

An ingestible injection could bypass the hazards of that journey, letting insulin absorb through the wall of the stomach, said Dr. Giovanni Traverso, a gastroenterologist at Boston's Brigham & Women's Hospital and a senior author of the study.

"The way this works is it travels down the esophagus in seconds, it's in the stomach within a few minutes, and then you get the drug," said Traverso, who worked with a team from the lab of MIT inventor Robert Langer and insulin maker Novo Nordisk.

The first challenge: How to make sure the device lands where it can poke into the right spot, even if someone's moving around. Researchers looked to nature for ideas.

A certain tortoise, the leopard tortoise from Africa, can right itself if flipped onto its back thanks to the steep curve of its shell. Researchers crafted a miniature capsule with a weighted bottom, so that once it reaches the stomach it automatically rolls in the right direction to latch on, Traverso explained.

Next the team designed a microinjector, like a

needle only made of dried insulin compressed into a sharp point. To power it, researchers bound a tiny spring to a hardened sugar disk.

Stomach acid gradually dissolves the sugar until the spring pops, shooting the insulin into the stomach wall.

In pigs, the ingestible injection lowered blood sugar to levels comparable to standard shots, according to the study published this month in the journal *Science*.

Once the insulin was absorbed, the capsule, made of stainless steel and a biodegradable material, floated free and was excreted.

"It's a very clever idea that is meant to solve a very long-standing problem," said Steven Little, chairman of the Department of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh, who also wasn't part of the research. Because the gadget passes through, "the only thing administered to the body is this little injector."

One hurdle: It works on an empty stomach, with nothing to get in the way of the device latching on. Traverso said that means it might one day replace morning insulin shots but not post-meal doses.

Traverso hopes human testing can begin within three years.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Manuka and other types of honey can quell coughs

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
King Features Syndicate

Q: Manuka honey is very expensive, but I find it works well to control a cough. It is not as sweet as regular honey, but it is delicious. A tiny amount was sufficient to stop my coughing spell.

A: You might be interested to know that the U.K. National Health Service agency, National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE), has recommended honey for coughs due to upper respiratory infections such as colds. Ear, nose and throat doctors (otolaryngologists) also have recommended that honey can be used to treat coughs in children (*Annals of Otolaryngology, Rhinology, and Laryngology*, online, Dec. 2, 2018). Manuka honey is from New Zealand. It is rich in phenolic compounds that have antioxidant activity (*Food Chemistry*, Jan. 30, 2019). Another surprising cough remedy is chocolate. Some people have reported that dark chocolate may calm a cough. Research in guinea pigs shows that the cacao compound theobromine can suppress the cough reflex (*FASEB Journal*, February 2005). However, clinical studies in humans have not provided strong evidence of this effect (*Journal of Thoracic Disease*, July 2017; *BMJ Open*, Jan. 16, 2017). Still, neither chocolate nor honey should have frightening side effects in children older than 1 year, and both taste better than dextromethorphan, a standard ingredient in cough syrup.

Q: I went to urgent care for a bad sore throat last night and was diagnosed with strep. They very carefully noted my



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relationship status and birth control in my freshly created record. I was prescribed penicillin for 10 days. At no point was I told that the antibiotic might interact with my birth control. I wondered about that and started investigating.

I called my pharmacy, and a staff member asked the pharmacist on my behalf. I was told that it would interact and that my birth control would be ineffective. I asked for how long and was told until 24 hours after the last dose of antibiotics. I am concerned that I had to actively hunt for an answer and further concerned that I haven't really found one. I know that if I skipped 10 days of the pill, it would not start working on day 11. Do antibiotics make it different?

A: Even though oral contraceptives have been used for decades, there is no consensus about whether antibiotics reduce their effectiveness (*Reproductive Health*, online, May 14, 2015). The authors of this review conclude: "Clinicians are encouraged to advise female patients on the use of additional measures of birth control during and up to one week after antibiotic therapy."

We have heard from women who became pregnant while taking an antibiotic with their OC. Consequently, we think it would be prudent to take precautions.

Q: I read about using castor oil for nail fungus in your newsletter. Since I've had toenail fungus for years despite trying lots of remedies, I started applying castor oil. I'm delighted to report that both nails are now clear of fungus and growing out healthy. Please let other readers know.

A: We are glad that castor oil worked for you. The reader who first shared this approach applied castor oil to his toenails after showering. It takes time to overcome toenail fungus because toenails grow slowly. Even prescription medicines require many months to produce results. There is some science to support the antifungal activity of castor oil (*Food Chemistry*, Oct. 15, 2012). Thyme oil also has antifungal activity (*Journal of Oleo Science*, Vol. 65, No. 8, 2016).

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.



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Think drinking beer before hitting the wine will protect you from a hangover? Think again, researchers say.

New study upends 'beer before wine, always fine'

HealthDay

In drinking lore, it's said that having beer before wine, instead of the other way around, can help prevent a hangover. Well, it's not true, a new study finds.

You'll suffer the next day if you drink too much, regardless of how you sequence your drinks, according to researchers at Witten/Herdecke University in Germany and the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom.

"Using white wine and lager beer, we didn't find any truth in the idea that drinking beer before wine gives you a milder hangover than the other way around," said study first author Joran Kochling, of Witten/Herdecke University. "The only reliable way of predicting how miserable you'll feel the

next day is by how drunk you feel and whether you are sick," Kochling said in a Cambridge news release.

For the study, the researchers divided 90 volunteers, aged 19 to 40, into three groups. One group drank about 2.5 pints of beer followed by four large glasses of wine. The second group drank the same amounts, but in reverse order. The third ("control") group drank only beer or only wine.

Participants were monitored while drinking. They were also asked to rate their level of drunkenness on a scale of 0 to 10.

After interviews the following day, each participant received a hangover score based on factors such as thirst, fatigue, headache, dizziness, nausea, stomachache, increased heart rate and loss of appetite. Although women

tended to have slightly worse hangovers than men, none of the groups had significantly different hangover scores, the findings showed.

Vomiting and perceived drunkenness were associated with more severe hangover, the study authors said.

According to study senior author Kai Hensel at the University of Cambridge, "Unpleasant as hangovers are, we should remember that they do have one important benefit, at least: They are a protective warning sign that will certainly have aided humans over the ages to change their future behavior. In other words, they can help us learn from our mistakes."

The study was published in February in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition.

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Chicago's best burgers



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The Loyalist Cheeseburger embraces onion power.

Search leads to revelations — and Au Cheval isn't even in top 10

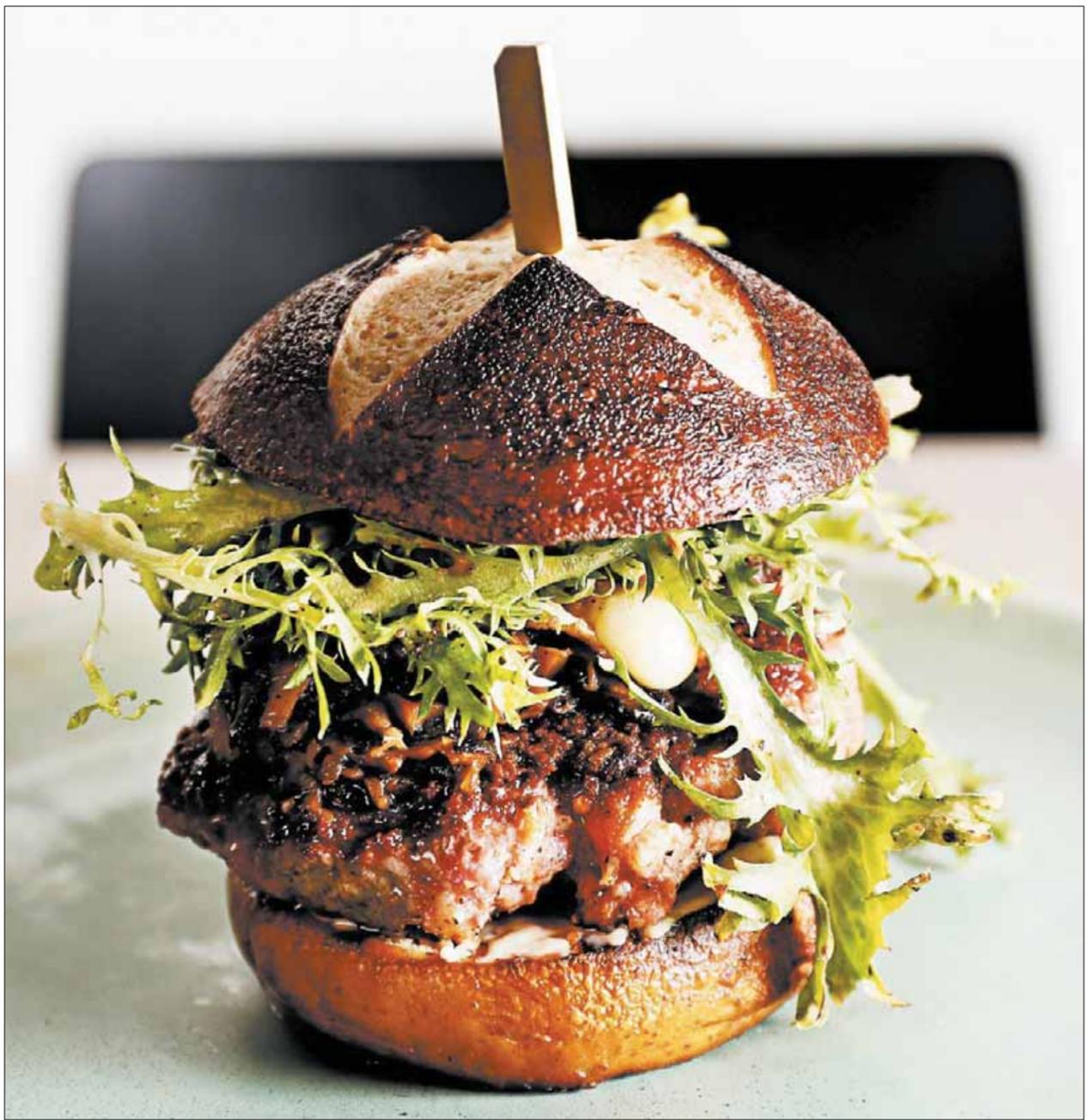
BY NICK KINDELSPERGER
 Chicago Tribune

Right around my 50th burger, I began to dream in ground beef. You'd imagine that devouring so many would result in some fat-fueled nightmare, that grease would have clogged my brain and saturated my blood stream. But I felt lucid and sharp, closer than ever to understanding the mystery of America's favorite food. (Call it burger enlightenment, if you will.)

In January, I had challenged myself to find the best burger in Chicago. To do so, I knew I'd have to eat more than a lot. Though I tried my best, no human could or should eat every burger in Chicago. I made it to 71, which I think is sufficiently crazy for a month of work. Plus, I never plan to stop. I hope to update this list regularly. New burger spots keep opening, and I still have a group of 50 places or so that I need to eventually get to. Look out for updates. But at this moment in the quest, this list comprises Chicago's 25 best, ranked from best to least.

No dish comes close to matching the burger's all-encompassing popularity. It is everywhere. Chicago may be famous for its hot dogs and pizza, but more chefs obsess over the burger, from the tiniest fast food stand to the fanciest downtown hotel. Lavish this much attention on any food, and you'll end up with fascinating results. That's definitely the case here, where one-upmanship has led to a burger scene stuffed with a wild assortment of styles and sizes. (Not to mention prices.)

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The burger at Table, Donkey & Stick is served on a pretzel bun and features roasted onions and shiitake mushrooms.

REVIEW: Avli Taverna ★

A promising start for adventurous Greek restaurant

BY PHIL VETTEL
 Chicago Tribune

Far from the bustle of Greektown sits Avli Taverna, a quiet neighborhood spot, dishing out what chef and owner Louie Alexakis calls "quality comfort food" and backed by a front-of-the-house staff that seems genuine in its friendly hospitality.

"There can only be so many multimillion (dollar) restaurants trying to be the next 'It,' because there's always another one opening," Alexakis said. "We just want to be the very best at what we are, where we are."

The Lincoln Park restaurant, open for three months, is off to a promising start. The 50-seat space, divided among front and back dining rooms, is comfortable

and cozy (the back room, when the heaters are fighting the winter cold, is particularly warm); the bar, which functions as a long dining counter on busy nights, lets you chat up the bartenders, who speak of the food and wine with the zeal of the newly converted.

Alexakis also owns 9-year-old Avli restaurant in Winnetka. The suburban original has a menu focused on the tried-and-true; Avli Taverna, opened Nov. 2 with investor partners William Glastris and Lou Canellis (yes, *that* Lou Canellis) is a bit bolder, with a broader, regional reach. Alexakis attributes the differences to a more-adventurous clientele; some dishes that sell well in Lincoln Park were not greeted so enthusiastically on the North Shore.

"I did a beautiful leek-and-fennel pie, a well-known dish in Greece, in Winnetka," he said, "and customers kept asking, 'Why not spinach?'"

Which is not to say an understanding of spanakopita versus hortopita is required to appreciate Alexakis' food. Avli Taverna's menu is well-rooted in the classics, and anyone who's enjoyed Greek dining once or twice will find the menu more familiar than not.

There's even saganaki on the menu, though it isn't the flamed-tableside creation invented in Chicago. Alexakis uses vlahotiri cheese, which is a little less salty than the type you'll find in Greektown saganaki, and tops the

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The prawns are visually striking, dabbled with boukovo-pepper mayo, wrapped in shredded phyllo and crisped in the oven.

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Cabernet sauvignon grapes, shown hanging ready for harvest in a Maryland vineyard, grow almost everywhere wine grapes are planted.

What to know about cabernet sauvignon

By **DAVE MCINTYRE**
The Washington Post

Wine appreciation can be a snobbish hobby, but it doesn't have to be. We can love wine without being obsessed by it, and we can be knowledgeable about it without lording our superiority over others. A basic knowledge of wine can keep us conversant in snobbish company and help us sort through the multitude of selections on the retail shelf, while still having a life. Most important, it can enhance our experience at the dinner table, where it matters most.

So with this column, I introduce an occasional feature on wine's basics, with five things I think you should know about a wine grape or a region, or some aspect of wine we may take for granted (corks, or corkscrews, for example). My hope is to enhance your enjoyment of wine, which is, after all, the only wine appreciation that matters. And if this helps you score a point or two in conversation at wine tastings, so much the better.

Our first subject is cabernet sauvignon, perhaps the world's most popular red wine grape.

1. Where it's from: Cabernet sauvignon is the progeny of cabernet franc and sauvignon blanc, two grapes still prominent today. It originated, probably spontaneously, in Bordeaux in France, in the mid-1700s. Or thereabouts. For wine romanticists, that means the Bordeaux that Thomas Jefferson enjoyed on his visits to the region in the 1780s were probably not primarily cabernet.

2. Where it grows: To be honest, almost everywhere wine grapes are planted, because it is so popular. But that doesn't mean it performs well everywhere. It favors a temperate Goldilocks climate: Not too hot, not too cold. In its homeland of Bordeaux, cabernet dominates the red wine blends in the Medoc and Graves, two areas on the Left Bank of the Gironde Estuary, closer to the maritime influence of the Atlantic. Wines labeled St. Estephe, Pauillac, St. Julien, Margaux, Graves, Medoc or Haut-Medoc are likely to be at least 50 percent cabernet sauvignon. On the warmer, inland Right Bank, merlot and cabernet franc dominate the blends.

In California, cab is king. This is especially true in Napa Valley, which has become almost synonymous with the variety. It was the Stag's Leap Wine Cellars cabernet, from Napa, that dethroned top Bordeaux at the famous Judgment of Paris tasting in 1976, proving that world-class wine could be made outside of France. Over the past two decades, Napa's "cult cabs" have come to

symbolize wine mania and helped (along with other factors) drive the price of Napa cabernet into the stratosphere.

Other regions produce cabernets that are downright cheap compared with Napa Valley. Sonoma County's Alexander Valley and Sonoma Valley are prime examples, and farther south, Paso Robles grows some top-notch cabernet. So does Washington state's Columbia Valley.

Other regions: Chile makes noteworthy cabs, from \$ to \$\$\$ (Colchagua, Aconcagua, Apalta), as does Argentina (Mendoza) and Australia (Coonawarra, Barossa).

3. What it tastes like: Cabernet sauvignon is known for dark fruit flavors: black cherry, blackberry, black currant (cassis). There may also be baking spice — anise, clove, nutmeg. Graphite is a common descriptor, especially in Bordeaux; think of those No. 2 pencils you used to sharpen as a kid.

When underripe or overcropped (too much fruit on the vine, diluting flavor), cab can taste green and vegetal. Herbal flavors, such as mint or sage, can be good, and a hint of bell pepper is fine. Same with black tea or olive. Any flavor that just says "vegetables," not so much. If it tastes like dried fruit — prunes, raisins — the grapes were overripe, and the alcohol is probably higher (15 percent or up). This is usually a stylistic choice by the winemaker; it's up to you to decide whether you like it.

4. What to eat with it: Cabernet sauvignon is high in tannins, which make your teeth itch after you swallow the wine. Tannins are a status symbol for red wine, because they give it longevity in the cellar for long aging. For food pairing, just remember three words: fat cuts tannin. That's why cabernet is your ideal partner for grilled steaks, hamburgers, braised short ribs or any Flintstonian slab of beef.

5. Cabernet doesn't match our lifestyle anymore: See No. 4. As we move away from our meat and three menu toward a lower-fat diet, do we need such big wines? Yes, there are lighter expressions of cabernet, but there are also other grapes that are more versatile with the wide range of cuisines we enjoy today, and more appropriate with a less meat-centric diet. I am not predicting the end of cabernet, by any means, but perhaps other wines, such as cabernet franc, malbec, gamay, barbera and pinot noir, with their softer tannins and palate-friendly fruit, are more appropriate for today.

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Sixteen classic craft beer brands and all but one are more than 20 years old.

Tasting craft beer classics

Flagship February shines light on brands left behind

BY JOSH NOEL | Chicago Tribune

Flagships are faltering.

Fortunately for them, there's Flagship February.

The monthlong initiative, launched in a burst of social media inspiration by Canadian beer writer Stephen Beaumont, is meant to highlight "the flagship beers that got us here," according to the Flagship February website.

"Here" is a nation rife with more than 7,000 breweries — and another 1,000 or so in Canada — which offer seemingly endless options for beer drinkers. Those options stand in blessed contrast to the landscape of a generation ago, when fewer than 100 breweries churned out a handful of brands that accounted for most of our beer drinking.

The early antidotes to that bland landscape were craft breweries, most of which were built on the identity of a single beer — a flagship. Anchor Steam. Sierra Nevada Pale Ale. Samuel Adams Boston Lager. Fat Tire Amber Ale. Lagunitas IPA.

But the recent proliferation of choice means a dizzying array of options, which leaves many of the old-school flagships as afterthoughts. The numbers bear that out.

Fat Tire sales were down 17.5 percent last year, according to Chicago-based market research firm IRI Worldwide.

Boston Lager was down 13.7 percent.

Sierra Nevada Pale Ale, down 5.5 percent.

Lagunitas IPA, Stone IPA and Shiner Bock were all down between 1.6 and 3.5 percent. A handful of old-school flagships remain strong — the right styles of beer for still-growing breweries — but most have met headwinds.

Enter Flagship February. To remind us of the quality that we now largely take for granted (and to nudge a certain demographic beyond lurching from shiny new thing to shiny new thing), Beaumont and a handful of writers are highlighting a different flagship each day this month. It got me thinking. It also got me tasting some classic flagships I haven't tried in years.

While I've been as guilty as anyone of overlooking the old standbys while keeping up with the latest hazy IPA or pastry stout — or hoppy stout or helles lager or wild ale — it was a pleasure to circle back to these beers.

For this exercise, I focused on the classic flagships available in Chicago: those at least 20 years old and those that have been, and continue to be, a particular brewery's dominant brand. I landed on 16 beers, all recognizable to veteran beer drinkers (and must-tries for newer beer drinkers).

I assumed some would seem like relics from another time and be best left behind. But the truth

is none truly disappointed; each had its merits. Their collective longevity is no fluke.

But that doesn't mean they're equally worth drinking. For that reason, I've divided the beers into three groups: "Still essential" (speaks for itself), "Keep it in rotation" (buy a six-pack once or twice a year) and "Ballgame beer" (if you come across it at a sporting event, concert or backyard barbecue, have at it).

Most of these beers are best when fresh — no more than 4 to 6 months old, which can be a challenge for beers arriving from hundreds or thousands of miles away — so check those packaging dates. Here they are, by category, then in alphabetical order:

Still essential

ALLAGASH WHITE

Brewery: Allagash Brewing, Portland, Maine

Released: 1995

Verdict: A classic Belgian-style witbier years ahead of its time. Fortunately American taste buds have caught up, and Allagash's flagship — it's about 80 percent of the brewery's production — is dialed in as ever: bright, fruity, lemony, grassy and refreshing. I'd recommend this even to people who think they don't like beer.

DORTMUNDER GOLD

Brewery: Great Lakes Brewing, Cleveland

Released: 1988

Verdict: Exquisite balance throughout this dortmunder lager: hearty yet crisp, muscular yet bright, complex yet accessible, and plenty of weight without sitting heavily on the palate.

FAT TIRE AMBER ALE

Brewery: New Belgium Brewing, Fort Collins, Colo., and Asheville, N.C.

Released: 1991

Verdict: I'd largely written this beer off. My mistake. Having this classic amber ale fresh at the brewery last year reminded me of its evenhanded genius, and now that Fat Tire is bottle fermented, it stays fresher and brighter long-

er. Its malty middle and tidy, lightly fruity finish make it endlessly satisfying.

LA FIN DU MONDE

Brewery: Unibroue, Chambly, Canada

Released: 1994

Verdict: It's remarkable that any North American brewery has been able to make a tripel — another classic Belgian style — its flagship for so long. But leave it to those progressive Canadians. La Fin du Monde certainly holds up: fruity with a touch of spice, and it dries out just enough to be ideal with a meal. One of the few beers on this list that isn't necessarily best fresh.

LAGUNITAS IPA

Brewery: Lagunitas Brewing, Petaluma, Calif., and Chicago

Released: 1995

Verdict: The IPA that taught us to love IPAs — and still a tip-top example of the style, with notes of citrus balanced against earthy resin-pine. In a world of too sweet, too cloying and out of balance IPAs, this remains an approachable classic.

LEFT HAND MILK STOUT

Brewery: Left Hand Brewing, Longmont, Colo.

Released: 1999

Verdict: In the pastry stout era, this beer is right at home, discernibly sweet, yet unlike most pastry stouts, identifiable as beer with a long roasty middle that's rife with notes of coffee and baking chocolate. Available carbonated or nitrogenated. The vote here is for the silky nitro version.

TWO HEARTED ALE

Brewery: Bell's Brewery, Galesburg, Mich.

Released: 1989 (though the current iteration was born in 1997)

Verdict: This is the thriving exception mentioned above; Two Hearted sales grew more than 10 percent last year as Bell's continued to grow its distribution footprint. Two Hearted has also enjoyed a bit of good fortune; it wasn't always the flagship — in the early days, that was Bell's Amber (also still a classic, by the way) — but modern tastes have evolved toward hops, and Bell's happened to have this expert IPA in its portfolio. Little wonder that Two Hearted has been named the

best beer in America two years running.

Keep it in rotation

ALASKAN AMBER

Brewery: Alaskan Brewing, Juneau, Alaska

Released: 1986

Verdict: Effortless easy drinking reminiscent of Fat Tire. A bit fruity and a bit nutty, with a bit of toffee character. An ideal pairing with food.

DALE'S PALE ALE

Brewery: Oskar Blues Brewery, Lyons, Colo., and Brevard, N.C.

Released: 2002

Verdict: I broke the 20-year rule for 17-year-old Dale's, which is worthy of veteran flagship status not just for mainstreaming cans in craft beer, but also for updating the notion of a flagship pale ale: bigger, rounder and fruitier than the Sierra Nevada classic. Speaking of which ...

SIERRA NEVADA PALE ALE

Brewery: Sierra Nevada Brewing, Chico, Calif., and Mills River, N.C.

Released: 1980

Verdict: Light-years ahead of its time and arguably the most important American beer of the past 50 years. It holds up decades later as a fairly modest and restrained take on pale ale by contemporary standards, showing light fruitiness balanced by a lightly resinous, toasty malt and drying finish. No gripe here. Can be particularly tough to find fresh in Chicago, unfortunately, though The Beer Temple sometimes has it in optimal shape on draft.

SPOTTED COW

Brewery: New Glarus Brewing, New Glarus, Wis.

Released: 1997

Verdict: Spotted Cow is not New Glarus' flashiest beer, but there's good reason that it's the beer that built the brewery. From the bottle or can, Spotted Cow is easy-drinking simplicity. Poured into a glass, it shines, its fruity aromatics (think melon and citrus) leaping out. Available only in Wisconsin — not that that stops Illinois folk from getting it into their refrigerators.

STONE IPA

Brewery: Stone Brewing, Escondido, Calif., and Richmond, Va.

Released: 1997

Verdict: Fruity! Bitter! Bracing! Bold! Stone IPA makes clear why low bitterness IPAs have become so popular: This isn't easy to drink. But if you value bitter, old-school IPAs — I do — this well-made classic is worth revisiting.

Ballgame beer

ANCHOR STEAM

Brewery: Anchor Brewing, San Francisco

Released: 1896

Verdict: Another crucially important beer in the rise of the craft industry (even if there was no craft beer industry when it first was released 123 years ago). I remembered this as more rounded and complete the last time I had it. This version, though fresh, dried out significantly and showed surprising bitterness. Still, I'd gladly drink one at a Giants game.

SAM ADAMS BOSTON LAGER

Brewery: Boston Beer, Boston, Mass.

Released: 1985

Verdict: Admirable balance of crisp malt and light bitterness, which makes this stalwart the epitome of interesting, but accessible. I love that Boston Beer is the beer sponsor of the Red Sox, because Fenway Park seems like the ideal place to slug one down.

SHINER BOCK

Brewery: Spotz Brewery, Shiner, Texas

Released: 1903

Verdict: Well-executed, one-dimensional malt forwardness. And, yes, abundant at Astros games (even if Anheuser-Busch is coming after Shiner with a bock of its own this season).

BROOKLYN LAGER

Brewery: Brooklyn Brewery, Brooklyn, New York

Released: 1988

Verdict: A fair amount of malt in this lager — skewing more toward caramel than toastiness — and pronounced piney-perfume bitterness make this beer heavier than many contemporary lagers and less interesting than most hop-forward beers. It sits heavy on the palate and gets fatiguing. But, yes, I'd gladly drink one at a Yankees game (while, of course, rooting against the Yankees).

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At Slagel Farms, the burger is basted in butter and beef fat.



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A Double Fatso with cheese at Fatso's Last Stand costs \$7.50.

Chicago's best burgers

Burgers, from Page 1

You, no doubt, have definite opinions on the right kind of cheese, toppings and bun for the perfect burger. I used to. But slowly over the course of the month, I realized that there are many kinds of great burgers, both big and small, spare and complex, and that the summit of burger mountain can be reached by innumerable paths.

I learned so much over the month. You should be able to pick a burger apart, to examine every element, and it should taste good. But a burger is not just about the beef, nor is it about the toppings and the bun. It's about how all those combine into something better. That explains how a dive bar burger at less than \$5 can satisfy more than a \$20 monstrosity downtown. Quality matters, but so do construction skills.

That said, onions play a far more important role than I ever imagined. Before this quest, I thought of them like backup singers — a great addition to a band, but not exactly essential. But they are as important as the drums. They add crunch and sharpness when raw, and savory sweetness when caramelized. They somehow make beef taste beefier. There's not a burger on this list without them.

For transparency, and to hopefully ward off unnecessary emails from clogging my inbox, online I have listed all the places I visited but that didn't make the top 25 (chicagotribune.com/bestburgers). Many of these are quite good. In fact, the standard in this town is frighteningly high. The best weren't just good, they somehow achieved greatness.

1. Burger at Table, Donkey and Stick (\$15)

I had what can only be described as a burger awakening at Table, Donkey and Stick. Like any meat-eating American, over the years I'd developed entrenched burger preferences, which could lead me to dismiss a burger before I even took a bite. Then I stumbled into this miniature Logan Square restaurant and realized that the burger universe was vast and full of wonder beyond my understanding.

I am not a proponent of pretzel buns, because they tend to be dense and tough, but this one is astonishingly light, compressing at the slightest touch. The roasted onions and shiitake mushrooms add a deep savoriness and earthy sweetness to a beef patty that already sings bass notes like Barry White in his 1970s prime. Speaking of the meat, the in-house ground beef gets an intense sear, resulting in a millimeter-thick crust and a fat inch of juice-laden meat in between. Instead of American cheese, this one gets a luxurious spread of raclette, a funky, creamy Alpine cheese, which adds a wild complexity to each and every bite.

That all these components work together, instead of simply butting heads for prominence, has to be seen as some kind of strange stroke of luck. That it all adds up to the best burger in Chicago has to be something close to a miracle.

I struggled for weeks to figure out whether this burger was better than the one at The Loyalist. In many ways, they are opposites, and comparing them is a ridiculous exercise. But there's only one burger I can't stop thinking about, and it's this one. 2728 W. Armitage Ave., 773-486-8525, table-donkeystick.com

2. The Loyalist Cheeseburger at The Loyalist (\$16)

No restaurant in town understands how crucial onions are to burgers as thoroughly as The Loyalist. The restaurant's cheeseburger, known colloquially as the Dirty Burg, embraces the power of three kinds — raw, charred and pickled — to add bite, sweetness and acid to each bite. Instead of some pretentious bun, this one gets a soft hamburger roll coated in more sesame seeds than McDonald's probably has in its U.S. reserves. You bet it features meat ground in-house, combining short rib and chuck with ground bacon, for a ludicrously fatty patty.

There's almost no crunch here. Thanks to the extra-juicy meat, soft bun and mob of onions, the burger almost comes off like an oversized slider — the kind you'd find at some classic roadside diner. That's just the way chef John Shields wanted it. "Perhaps I'm of an older generation," says Shields. "But I love a diner burger, one that's greasy and has a lot of onions." Me too. It's hard to think of a burger more perfectly crafted to suit my tastes than this one. 177 N. Ada St., 773-913-3774, smythandtheloyalist.com/the-loyalist/

3. Slagel Farms beef burger at Owen & Engine (\$20)

Owen & Engine is an English pub, so how did it end up with one of Chicago's most loved burgers? Hard work. They grind the meat, all sourced from Slagel Farms, in-house. They bake the buns every



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The burger at Cafe Marie Jeanne (\$20) is served on a butter bun and includes french fries and a beer.



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The Stop-In Burger at The Stop Along, 1812 N. Milwaukee Ave., includes American cheese, onions, pickles, lettuce, tomato and Thousand Island dressing.

morning. While cooking, chefs baste the burger patty lovingly in butter and beef fat. And then, besides adding some deeply caramelized onions, that's it. "It used to be popular to have a lot of stuff on the burger," says owner Bo Fowler, "but we wanted to feature the quality of the beef." Job well done. 2700 N. Western Ave., 773-235-2930, owenandengine.com

4. Double Fatso with cheese at Fatso's Last Stand (\$7.50)

Chicago has a number of independently owned fast food stands serving up char burgers, or burgers grilled over gas-powered grills. I know, because I went to many of them. None comes close to matching Fatso's, and honestly, I'm a little at a loss for why. Sure, Fatso's uses fresh meat, whereas most places toss on frozen patties. But why do I crave this burger so much more than even absurdly expensive grilled steakhouse burgers? Those places certainly use a higher quality of beef, along with other lavish toppings, yet they fail to make all those components coalesce into a singular burger experience. Fatso's, on the other hand, manages to fuse every element into a handheld package. The smoke from the grill that latches onto the beef balances with a juiciness that should make the supreme leader of Burger King abdicate. The fat slice of onion stuck in the middle lends a hot, sharp crunch to every bite. (Something much needed with a burger this greasy.) 2258 W. Chicago Ave., 773-245-3287, fatsoslaststand.com

5. Burger at Cafe Marie Jeanne (\$20, with fries and a beer)

No burger surprised me more than this offering from chef Mike Simmons. It willfully ignores conventions and trends. Do you see that bun? That's a butter bun dusted in everything spice, the kind you'd most likely see on a bagel. The red sauce isn't ketchup, but a smoked tomato jam, which almost tastes like a barbecue sauce. The patty is cooked in what Simmons admits is "a lot of butter." All of this was done on purpose. "I wanted it to be different than Rootstock," says Simmons, who worked at the Humboldt Park restaurant for years. "Fatso's is around the corner, so I didn't want it to taste like that either." Be-

cause he doesn't want Cafe Marie Jeanne to become a "burger restaurant," you can only snag a burger on Thursdays. But it's worth whatever planning you need to do to try Chicago's most uniquely delicious burger. 1001 N. California Ave., 773-904-7660, cafe-marie-jeanne.com

6. Stop-in Burger at The Stop Along (\$12.50)

According to owner Taylor Hammond, The Stop Along's burger is modeled on California's In-N-Out burger. Specifically, that chain's semi-secret double-double animal-style, where the two patties are squirted with mustard while on the griddle and topped with lots of caramelized onions. Not only does it remind me of the West Coast's favorite fast food burger, I think it's better. The cooks smash the pucks of beef on the griddle, lending them a stunning sear that In-N-Out could only dream of reproducing. 1812 N. Milwaukee Ave., 773-394-4694, thestopalong.com

7. Griddled double cheeseburger at Edzo's (\$8.50)

One similarity of most of the best burgers in Chicago? Freshly ground beef. You can either buy it daily from a trusted butcher, or do what Edzo's does in Evanston and grind your own. That helps to explain why the classic double cheeseburger here tastes so brazenly meaty. It helps that the proportions for the griddled burger are also spot on, with razor thin slices of raw onion and pert pickles adding the necessary crunch. 1571 Sherman Ave., Evanston, 847-864-3396, edzos.com

8. Dry-aged Slagel Farms burger at Rootstock (\$15)

I know the bun appears oversized, but it's soft enough to serve as a miniature pillow. Gently tap the top, and it compresses easily. But in the middle is what counts: a flame-grilled patty made of dry-aged beef, which the kitchen will cook to a spot-on medium-rare (if that's your desired temperature). Each bite unleashes beef juices, which are dutifully soaked up by the bun. The patty is topped with a smoky and creamy bacon aioli, red onion and salty cheddar. Some crunchy house-made pickles sit on the side of the plate, but you'll

want to pile those on the burger as soon as the plate hits the table. You'll also notice that the standard order comes with a small salad instead of fries. More places should do this. 954 N. California Ave., 773-292-1616, rootstockbar.com

9. Burger at Forbidden Root (\$16)

One easy way into my heart is to add giardiniera to whatever you're cooking. Forbidden Root folds the spicy mix of pickled vegetables into its mayonnaise, creating a condiment that's creamy and laced with acid. The hefty patty gets a particularly heavy sear, turning the outside nearly black, yet the inside remains nice and rosy pink. It's topped with salty aged cheddar, lots of pickles, crunchy slices of raw onions and a healthy swipe of that mayonnaise. Basically every brewpub in Chicago serves a burger; this is my favorite. 1746 W. Chicago Ave., 312-929-2202, forbiddenroot.com

10. King size cheeseburger at Top Notch Beefburgers (\$9.74)

Top Notch opened in Beverly in 1942, and it has the irresistible neighborhood vibe that no modern restaurant could ever dream of replicating. It's hard to imagine a dining room with more shades of brown, from the sandy hue of the floor tiles to the dark wood paneling. But the mood isn't the best part. Since the restaurant still grinds its beef daily, the burgers have an appealing juiciness that never tastes excessively greasy. The 1/4-pound burger is a fine option, but I've been recently converted to the 1/2-pound king's size, because of the better burger-to-bun ratio. 2116 W. 95th St., 773-445-7218

11. Community double cheeseburger at Community Tavern (\$16)

According to chef Joey Beato, the double cheeseburger at Community Tavern is modeled after the offering at The Diner Grill. Of course, that beloved greasy spoon in Lakeview doesn't grind its own beef from CDK farms or top it with a sauce spiked with fish sauce, smoked tomato paste and Thai chile. Still, the inspiration is clear. Community Tavern's burger is a messy double cheeseburger, with an underlining beefiness that never seems to end. On Sundays, you can get this impressive offering for only \$5 if you sit at the bar. 4038 N. Milwaukee Ave., 773-283-6080, communitytavern.com

12. RHR double cheeseburger at Red Hot Ranch (\$4.79)

Red Hot Ranch makes it look so easy. Many restaurants, especially higher end ones, struggle to serve a double cheeseburger as solidly built as this one. But Red Hot Ranch understands the importance of proportion. Two thin patties are smashed on a griddle, topped with American cheese and served on a squishy, toasted bun with crunchy lettuce, juicy tomato and crunchy sliced onions. It's tied together with a special sauce that's creamy and tart. Somehow, each burger also comes with some of the best fresh-cut french fries around. 3057 N. Ashland Ave., 773-661-9377, and 2072 N. Western Ave., 773-772-6020

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13. Acadia burger at Acadia (\$15)

You won't find the burger on Acadia's 10-course tasting menu, but you wouldn't want to scarf down a burger in the elegant main dining room anyway. Settle into the front bar, and try to devour this burger without staining your shirt. The juicy patty is lovingly coated in two kinds of cheese: a nutty Gruyere and a funky truffle mornay sauce. Some bacon onion jam underneath adds salty and sweet notes. 1639 S. Wabash Ave., 312-360-9500, acadiachicago.com



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Gruyere cheese has a featured role in the burger at Acadia.

14. Original burger at Mini Mott (\$9.95)

Born as a bar-only special at Mott St., this quick-service outlet in Logan Square allows the public much easier access to this fascinating creation. At its base, this is a double cheeseburger, layered with two slices of American cheese. But the toppings transform it into something else entirely. The meatiness is amplified by two sauces, a slightly sweet hoisin aioli and a rich miso butter. Crackly sweet potato frizzles add pops of crunch with each bite. 3057 W. Logan Blvd., minimott.com

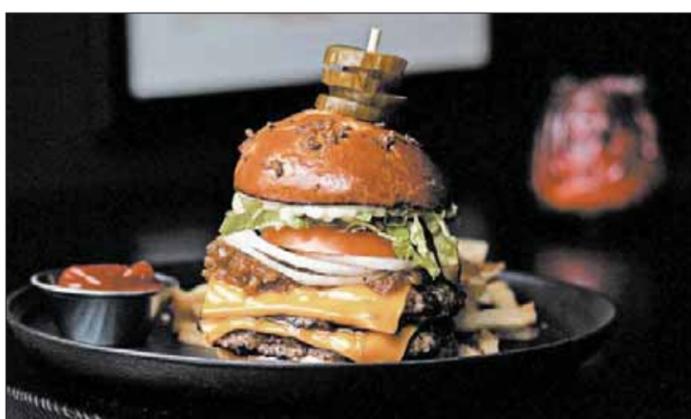


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The burger toppings are transformative at Mini Mott.

15. Single cheeseburger at Au Cheval (\$12.95)

Sit at the bar, and you'll get an unobstructed view of how this insanely popular burger gets made. On my last visit, I watched the chef shower the patties in so much salt, you'd think a blizzard broke out in the West Loop diner. Next came a layer of black pepper that almost completely covered the salt. Once picked off the griddle, the two patties (you know that a single means a double here, right?) get stacked on a well-toasted bun slathered heavily in a creamy dijonnaise. In other words, Au Cheval serves a salt, pepper and grease bomb, and while I wouldn't mind some more acid to cut through, it's hard to deny the appeal. 800 W. Randolph St., 312-929-4580, auchevaldiner.com



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The &14GM burger at Good Measure is delivered on an onion bun.

16. &14GM burger at Good Measure (\$15)

Chef Matt Troost claims he'll add anything you want on top of the burger that can be found on the regular menu. Anything. Fried chicken. Rare-bit sauce. A whole ball of burrata. But at its base, the &14GM (meaning "and one for good measure") is a serious double cheeseburger. The absurdly juicy meat (a mix of short rib, chuck and rib-eye) comes freshly ground from Northwest Meat Co. It's contained on a fluffy onion bun. The only addition definitely worth considering is the foie gras caramelized onions, which add a fascinating sweet savoriness to each bite. 226 W. Chicago Ave., 312-600-9268, goodmeasurechicago.com

17. bNg burger at BopNGrill (\$8.99)

Nearly every restaurant with a burger wants you to plop an egg on top — for a fee. Personally, I don't think an egg always works, especially on a fat, half-pound burger already dripping in grease. But a well-proportioned burger with a skinnier patty is a different story. BopNGrill's bNg burger contains a lot of elements — tomato, lettuce, bacon, caramelized onions, jalapenos, American cheese, Thousand Island dressing, beef and an egg — yet it's impeccably well-constructed. (One could nearly call it svelte.) Each bite rings with acid and spice, yet also makes room for creaminess and beefiness. 6604 N. Sheridan Road, 773-654-3224, bopngrill.com



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BopNGrill's bNg burger is topped with an egg.

18. The Bad Apple burger at The Bad Apple (\$12)

It's all about the meat at The Bad Apple. I was given an unseemly slice of unripe tomato and had to add condiments by hand. But the meat, sourced from New York's premier burger butcher, Pat LaFrieda, makes up for any faults. It has a wild beefiness, mixed with a mineral complexity that is hard to describe. Though you certainly could, I wouldn't go too crazy with the toppings. Respect the beef. 4300 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-360-8406, badapplebar.com



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Black Betty at BRGRBELLY includes blue cheese and fried onion straws.

19. The Big DMK at DMK (\$14)

If you, like me, have some indestructible memory of eating a perfect Big Mac sometime as a kid, only to wonder whether your whole life was built on a lie after trying one as an adult, don't despair. DMK has the Big DMK, a towering burger built almost exactly like a Big Mac, except with quality ingredients. The two beef patties get an incredible sear on the griddle, and are stacked on super soft potato rolls. Everything is tied to together with a creamy and acidic special sauce. About all that's missing are the sesame seeds. You won't miss them. 2954 N. Sheffield Ave., 773-360-8686, dmkburgerbar.com

20. Bacon burger at Carnivore (\$13)

In general, bacon on a burger never works as well as you think it will. Even the crispiest slices go limp next to the warm meat, and they often fall off after a couple of bites. But grinding up bacon and mixing it with ground beef? Now we are talking. That's what you'll find at Carnivore in Oak Park, an ambitious butcher shop that also has a small lunch menu. The half-pound patty oozes juice and delivers a fascinating smoky aroma from the ground-up bacon. 1042 Pleasant St., Oak Park, 708-660-1100, carnivoreoakpark.com

21. Black Betty at BRGRBELLY (\$9.95)

This Portage Park shop brags about making everything that it can from scratch. The meat is ground in-house. The buns are baked daily. The effort shows. The meat has a deep beefiness, while the flavorful buns stay soft. Plus, the shop understands how a few powerfully flavored toppings can transform a burger. That's especially true of the Black Betty. While I'm not a huge fan of the bacon on top, everything else works, including blue cheese, fried onion straws and a Buf-falo blue sauce. 5739 W. Irving Park Road, 773-283-7880, brgrbellyrestaurant.com

22. Baby burger at Illinois Bar & Grill (\$4.95)

Only at Illinois Bar & Grill would a third-pound burger be dubbed a baby burger. The famous Chicago burger, on the other hand, clocks in at 13 ounces, which qualifies as absurd. I didn't even try. The baby burger comes dolled up and ready to go, with zigzagging lines of ketchup and mustard squirted on the patty while it is still cooking, a nicely toasted bun, deeply caramelized onions and the requisite lettuce, tomato and pickles. Best of all, the meat is juicy and properly seasoned with salt. 4135 W. 47th St., 773-847-2525

23. Single cheeseburger at Schoop's (\$6.99)

If you're a fan of Shake Shack, you deserve to give Schoop's a try — it's

been serving Chicago's suburbs since 1948. Like that multimillion dollar burger chain, Schoop's takes a puck of raw beef and smashes it on a hot griddle, resulting in a patty with an intense, dark-brown sear and an almost overwhelming beefiness. Because the restaurant uses a third-pound patty, a single is a formidable lunch. The aggressive sear on the meat also means that the middle of the patty often gets cooked way past the point of medium. It's a trade of juiciness for crackly crispiness. Sometimes, that's the mood I'm in. 1449 Indianapolis Blvd., 219-659-7030, schoophamburgers.com

24. The Famous Kuma at Kuma's Corner (\$14.50)

Kuma's Corner basically popularized the hilariously huge, abundantly topped burger. You know, the one with a 10-ounce patty crowned with an egg and some other kind of meat (be it bacon, pulled pork or andouille sausage), all housed on a hulking pretzel bun. It's a style, I have to admit, that's not my favorite. (It's hard to eat, and brute force crushes any chance of subtlety.) But even I can admire when it's done right. While dozens of places have tried to copy the formula, none has managed to combine all those components in a way as seamlessly as Kuma's. 2900 W. Belmont Ave., 773-604-8769, kumacorner.com

25. Char burger with Mercks cheddar at Paradise Pup (\$4.49)

This Des Plaines classic knows how to use a grill. The restaurant chars all of the third-pound burger patties until they sport an attractive dark crust. Because of their ample size, the burgers still remain succulent inside. I do wish the patties were seasoned with more salt. Fortunately, there is a fool-proof way to solve this: Order the burger topped with Merkt's cheddar, the extra-salty cheese spread made in Wisconsin. That way you get the satisfying juiciness, and the assertive salty tang from the cheese. Plus, I'm a big fan of the egg challah bun — the only one I encountered on my hunt. 1724 S. River Road, Des Plaines, 847-699-8590

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Soul-stirring green gumbo

Zesty, rich stew — just in time for Mardi Gras

BY STACEY BALLIS
Chicago Tribune

On a rainy Saturday night last October, in the college town of Oxford, Miss., 400 attendees of the Southern Foodways Alliance Symposium sat down to their final meal of the conference and went nearly silent. Silent in the way of the first moments of the Thanksgiving meal, when everyone picks the dish they've most been looking forward to and tucks in, that reverential hush.

The silence was followed by a communal deep sigh, and then the electric buzz of conversation started up again as diners dove into the three-gumbo dinner inspired by the writings of Eugene Walter. He was among the earliest Southern writers to credit the roots of gumbo to Africa, and one of his most famous quotes was, "Sooner or later all Southerners have to go home. Not to die, but to eat gumbo."

The talk of the night was the gumbo z'herbes, or green gumbo. A deeply complex bowl of greens in broth, the gumbo was a riot of flavor, soul-satisfying in the way of any long-simmered stew, but still bright, none of the flavors muddied by their cooking. Fortifying in the manner of a rich braise and, yet, meat-free. This gathering of food professionals and passionate explorers of the culinary traditions of the American South would be the very definition of a room full of the most well-traveled and jaded palates, but the dinner had them universally blown away.

When the alliance's director, John T. Edge, introduced the chef of the evening, a whooping standing ovation was instantaneous.

The chef in question was Paul Fehribach, chef/owner of Big Jones, a six-time James Beard Award nominee and nominee for Jean Banchet chef of the year, who has been delighting Chicago since 2008 with his personal take on Southern cuisine. Rightfully famous for his standard gumbo, which can be enjoyed at the restaurant year-round, his journey to gumbo z'herbes was a long one. Having first tasted it many years ago at Leah Chase's iconic Dooky Chase's restaurant in New Orleans, he was shocked by the dish. He'd never had turnip greens before, a major component of Chase's version, and the silky texture she achieved without losing the heft or body of the green was a revelation to him. It started him on a path to explore the dish.

African in heritage, and New Orleanian by way of the Caribbean, green gumbo has always been at its core a hearty stew of okra and greens. Fehribach, a cookbook author ("The Big Jones Cookbook" was published in 2015) and culinary scholar, did a deep dive into the history.

"In Ghana, there is an ancient tradition of a pot of okra and greens cooked together, so that is almost certainly the origin of the green gumbo concept," Fehribach says. "Last summer when Gullah chef Benjamin Dennis, of Charleston, had a residency at Big Jones, he showed me their practice of making callaloo, another cultural descendent of the Ghanaian pot of okra and greens. He demonstrated the practice of cooking down okra into a mash and using this to thicken the stew, which yields a plush body but also a deep, ruddy, almost swamp waterlike earthiness that is utterly beguiling. So, the inspirations for this rendition are African, Caribbean and Gullah. Of course, in New Orleans, it was Creolized and in addition to its broadening into many variations, was given a French name, gumbo z'herbes."

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Vegetarian gumbo offers a complex bowl of greens in the manner of a long-simmering stew, but meat-free.



Toasted garlic, cooked slowly in oil until crispy, makes a tasty gumbo garnish.

Vegetable stock

Prep: 20 minutes

Cook: 4 to 6 hours

Makes: 3 quarts

This stock is made from the trimmings of many ingredients for the gumbo.

Trimmings, see gumbo recipe

1 bunch fresh thyme

1 bulb fresh garlic

4 bay leaves

3 jalapenos, seeds removed and discarded

6 whole cloves

6 whole allspice berries

1 tablespoon whole black pepper

2 whole lemons

1. In a large stock pot, combine the ends of the onion, the tips and stems of the okra, the shiitake stems, the outer green cabbage leaves, the cabbage core, the tomatillo husks, and any woody stems from the greens, and the parsley, watercress, and basil stems, reserving the leaves for the gumbo. Succulent stems can be sliced very thinly and added to the gumbo.

2. Add remaining ingredients, except for the lemons. Peel the zest of the lemons with a vegetable peeler; add to the pot. Remove and discard the pith. Add the lemon flesh to the pot. Cover all the ingredients with water; simmer, 4 to 6 hours, adding more water if necessary to keep the ingredients submerged. (You could also cook 30 minutes in a pressure cooker.)

Toasted garlic in oil

Prep: 15 minutes **Cook:** 8 to 10 minutes

Makes: 2 cups oil

"Toasted garlic in oil is an excellent pantry item for seasoning almost anything," writes Fehribach. The oil will keep up to a week in a tightly sealed container in the pantry, one month in the refrigerator, or indefinitely in the freezer.

1 cup peeled fresh cloves garlic

2 cups neutral vegetable oil such as untoasted sesame, safflower or rice bran oil

1. Coarsely grind the garlic cloves in a food processor until the pieces are the size of panko breadcrumbs.

2. Place the oil and garlic in a heavy-bottomed stainless or enamel saucepan; stir to thoroughly immerse the garlic in the oil. Cook over medium heat, stirring often from the bottom, until oil begins to bubble. (The garlic will have a tendency to stick to the bottom and burn at worst, or cook unevenly, if not stirred regularly.) Reduce heat to medium-low; cook, stirring, until the garlic renders its juices and the oil stops bubbling. The garlic will begin to fry.

3. When the garlic approaches a light brown color and is delightfully aromatic, remove the pan from the heat but continue to stir until cool enough that the cooking has stopped. Let rest until the oil reaches room temperature. Measure ¼ cup oil for the gumbo; spoon out and drain ¼ cup of the garlic. Store the remaining oil and garlic in a sealable glass container in the refrigerator. Use the oil for sautes or sauces. Save the garlic to add to recipes when a rich toasted garlic flavor is desired.

ford meal led Fehribach to bring the dish back for Big Jones' annual Soul Food Week in January and to include the recipe in the proposal for his next cookbook. (The dish is on the menu now and will remain through Mardi Gras, which is March 5.)

Chicagoans are no strangers to this dish; Jimmy Bannos has been serving his version at Heaven on Seven for years and is known to give it to friends who are suffering from winter ailments. He believes it has curative powers, referring to it as Creole penicillin, and there are many in the city who head directly to his restaurant when they start to feel that tickle in the throat or heaviness behind the nose.

Whether you are seeking better health or just a truly delicious dinner, this recipe isn't one to try and throw together on a weeknight.

But complex is not the same as difficult. So, while this recipe is fussy, it certainly isn't beyond the capabilities of a home cook, especially if you separate out the tasks over the course of a couple of days. More of a weekend project, it is the perfect dish to build your Mardi Gras party around. The components can also be bonus gifts — the garlic oil is a terrific condiment to keep in the fridge for salad dressings or sauteing vegetables, and the stock would be an amazing base for any soup or even risotto. The finished gumbo can be frozen, so even if you aren't planning a fais do-do (a Cajun dance party), it would be the perfect thing to have on hand for that unexpected early spring head cold.

"I finally made a green gumbo I'm happy with," Fehribach says, "that's not

entirely because of the flavors and textures, which I love, but also because this one gets the back story right and feels like it belongs on the family tree with all of these permutations that grew out of a root in West Africa.

"It tells a story if you will listen to it, and for me that's a leitmotif of my cooking. The meditation of preparing the vegetables, which is a laborious process but thoroughly enjoyable if you revel in it, is a way of connecting to people and cultures who have made monumental contributions to American culture, including but also beyond food. And what they say is true, it's a little like spring cleaning for the body — every time you eat a bowl, you feel like a million bucks."

Stacy Ballis is a freelance writer.

Gumbo z'herbes

Prep: 1 hour

Cook: about 3 hours

Makes: 12 servings, 3 quarts

Recipe by Paul Fehribach, chef and co-owner of Big Jones. For the greens, Fehribach notes that each type should be washed well, three times. And it's OK if the leaves are still wet when you use them. As you clean the vegetables, you will save the trimmings, stems, etc., as directed, to make the vegetable stock.

¼ cup toasted garlic oil (see recipe)

1 ½ pounds okra, sliced into thin rings (⅛ to ¼ inch); frozen is OK

3 large Spanish onions, split lengthwise, julienned

4 ounces shiitake mushrooms, stems removed and reserved, caps very thinly sliced

1 pound tomatillos, husked, cut into ½ inch dice

¼ cup finely grated fresh horseradish (may substitute jarred grated horseradish)

1 medium head green cabbage, outer leaves and core removed and reserved, chopped into 1-inch pieces

3 quarts green vegetable stock (see recipe)

1 bunch collard greens, washed, stems removed and reserved, leaves chopped into 1-inch pieces

1 bunch broccoli raab, washed, lower stems removed and reserved, chopped into ½-inch pieces

1 bunch mustard greens, washed, lower stems removed and reserved, leaves chopped into 1-inch pieces

1 bunch turnip greens, washed, stems removed and reserved, and leaves chopped into 1-inch pieces

2 bunches Italian parsley, woody stems removed and reserved, leaves kept whole

¼ cup toasted garlic (see recipe)

1 tablespoon coarse kosher salt

2 bottles (5 ounces each) Tabasco Green Pepper Sauce (jalapeno flavor)

3 tablespoons coarsely ground black pepper

6 bay leaves

½ cup sorghum molasses or clover honey

2 bunches watercress, large stems removed and reserved, leaves kept whole

¼ pound Thai basil, woody stems removed and reserved, leaves kept whole

1. Heat the garlic oil over medium-high in a large, heavy-bottom Dutch oven until aromatic and a slice of okra tossed in sizzles furiously. Add the onion; cook over high heat, stirring constantly, until just a little straw-yellow color appears on the edges of the onions, 3 to 5 minutes.

2. Add the okra; cook, stirring, until its mucus is released, 3 minutes. Reduce heat to medium-high; add the mushrooms, tomatillos and horseradish. Cook, stirring constantly, until they render their juices and wet the mixture, 5 to 10 minutes. Use the back of a wooden spoon to mash the okra and tomatillos into a coarse mash.

3. Working quickly, add the cabbage; saute until it releases its aroma, 5 to 10 minutes. Add 1 quart vegetable stock, then the collard greens. Reduce heat to medium; cook until the collards and cabbage wilt back into the stew, about 30 minutes.

4. Add another quart of stock, the broccoli raab and mustard greens. Simmer, stirring the stew up over the fresh greens periodically to aid wilting, until the newly added greens wilt and render, becoming part of the stew, 10 to 15 minutes.

5. Add final quart of stock, the turnip greens, parsley leaves and toasted garlic. Once again turn the stew over the newly added greens; simmer until the greens wilt and render into the stew, 5 to 10 minutes.

6. Add the salt, Tabasco, black pepper, bay leaves, and sorghum or honey; cover, reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring occasionally from the bottom, 2 hours.

7. Fifteen minutes before serving, stir in the watercress and Thai basil. Allow them to wilt and render into the stew, just a few minutes. Check for seasonings, adding salt or Tabasco as desired. Serve. The gumbo is traditionally served with boiled rice, but is delicious with tortillas or whole hominy. If refrigerated in an airtight container, the gumbo reheats well for up to 10 days.

Nutrition information per serving: 96 calories, 3 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 17 g carbohydrates, 9 g sugar, 4 g protein, 651 mg sodium, 5 g fiber



Octopus is served in bite-size chunks with smooth fava-bean spread and some ouzo-soaked pickle slices.



Papoutsakia is a grilled and butterflied eggplant topped with tomatoes, onions and peppers.



A quintet of thinly sliced lamb chops were grilled.

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melted cheese with peppered figs and honey. The result is a sweet-and-salty dish that might make you forswear the lemony-boozy style forever.

Other starters include a spice feta spread (tirokafeteri) that lives up to its billing, and a sausage-and-peppers dish with an abundance of pork sausage coins, bearing hints of smoky paprika and orange. Octopus is served in bite-size chunks with smooth fava-bean spread and some ouzo-soaked pickle slices that add a touch of sweetness.

The prawns are visually striking, dabbled with boukovo-pepper mayo, wrapped in shredded phyllo and crisped in the oven. They're cute to look at and satisfying to eat. (For me, they triggered a 20-year flashback to bygone restaurants Tomboy and She She, where chef Nicole Parthemore made a similar dish, dubbed porcupine shrimp.)

My favorite entree is the papoutsakia, a grilled and butterflied eggplant topped with tomatoes, onions and peppers — simple but very good; I'd ask only for a bit of bread or pita to help with the extra sauce. A quintet of thinly sliced lamb chops were unevenly grilled (one medium-rare, one medium-well, the others somewhere in between) but tasty, and I found the feta-tossed fries addictive. The name "astakomakaronatha" is a mouthful, and so is the dish, a split grilled lobster tail atop a big pile of spaghetti in tomato sauce. (A little more assertive seasoning would help this dish.)

Whole fish (sea bass on my visit) is served with a bit of lemon, oregano and olive oil on the side, and the tableside filleting is a nice show. But the fish needed a stronger herb presence, and parts of the flesh were dry enough to suggest that a little less time in the oven was called for.

Alexakis adds fun twists to his desserts. Instead of baklava, for instance,



Bougatsa, a custard-filled phyllo crisp, is presented as a mille-feuille, a stack of phyllo pillows with custard inside and preserved sour cherries on top.

there's a caramel baklava ice cream with shredded phyllo. Bougatsa, a custard-filled phyllo crisp, is presented as a mille-feuille, a stack of phyllo pillows with custard inside and preserved sour cherries on top.

The all-Greek wine list numbers about 27 bottles, a

dozen of which are available by the glass; prices are quite reasonable. (All but two of the bottles are \$60 or less.) Servers are good at making recommendations, and Alexakis himself is never far from the dining room. A handful of craft cocktails (\$12), all incorpo-

rating Greek flavors in ways subtle and otherwise, are appealing options as well.

Avli Taverna is a nice neighborhood spot with potential to be more. It takes its regional-Greek mission seriously and knows how to have fun. A sharper focus on execution

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will help, and it will be interesting to see how the kitchen functions in the summer months, when a spacious outdoor cafe will more than double Avli's seating capacity.

Alexakis has signed a lease on the old Sumi Robata space in River North; where another Avli iteration will bloom, perhaps by the end of summer.

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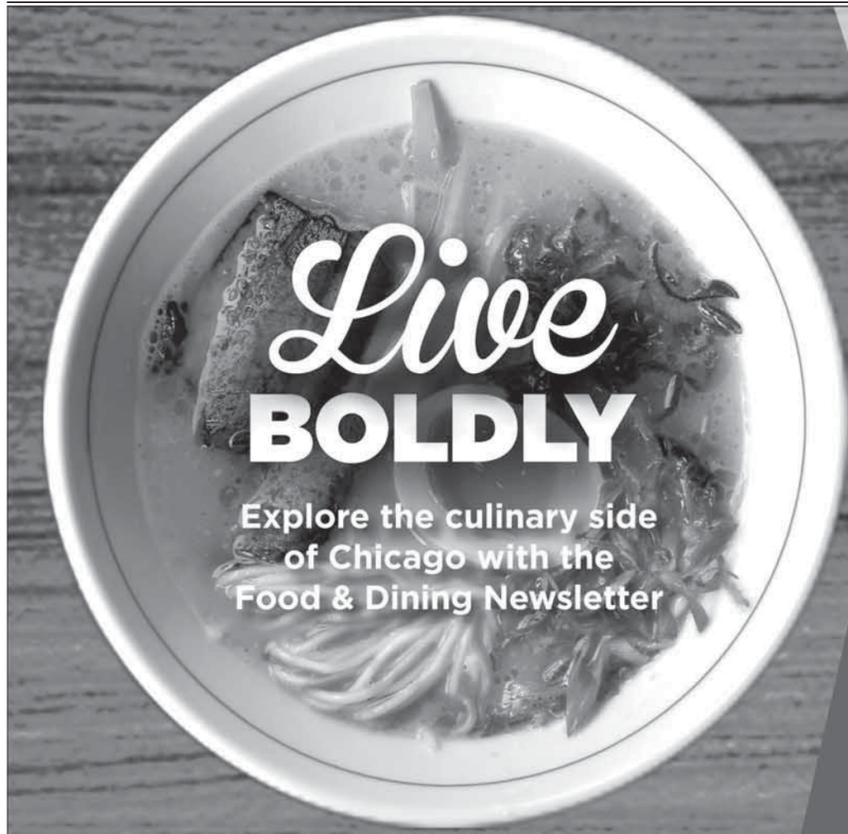
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Healthy Food. Healthy Values

NOW OPEN

GENEVA
2000 S. RANDALL ROAD

Clementines 2 lb.
Navel Oranges 4 lb.
Texas Grapefruits 5 lb.

99¢ ea

1.99 lb

Fresh Natural Boneless Beef Roast Sale!
Rump, Sirloin Tip, Arm, English or Crossrib
Not all varieties available
Limit 3 Roasts

USDA CHOICE All Natural BEEF

JOIN US FOR **DOUBLE AD WEDNESDAYS!** 2X THE ADS THE SAVINGS
Every Wednesday, weekly sale flyers will overlap, meaning you can save on last week's specials AND the current week's specials. See store for details.

Strawberries 1 lb.
Blueberries Full Dry Pint
Blackberries 6 oz.

1.99 ea

Blueberries Chile

Yukon Gold or Russet Potatoes 5 lb. Bag
or Yellow Onions 3 lb. Bag

99¢ ea

ORGANIC USDA ORGANIC NON GMO

Organic Gala Apples

99¢ lb

ORGANIC USDA ORGANIC NON GMO

Organic Blueberries 6 oz.

2 for \$5

Blueberries Chile

Green Bell Peppers or Cucumbers

2 for \$1

Green Onions, Radishes, Cilantro or Parsleys

2 for \$1

20% OFF FROZEN FRENZY SALE! INCLUDING GROCERY, MEAT & SEAFOOD

van's, BOONAPIDE, BOOMERANG'S, WILD BAJA SHRIMP, Cappello's, Veggie Fries, TACO BOWL, TURKEY BURGERS

Fresh Thyme Sparkling Water Assorted Varieties 12 pk., 12 oz.

2 for \$7

PINK GRAPEFRUIT

Fresh Thyme Sliced Cheese Assorted Varieties 6-8 oz.

2 for \$3

PROUDLY WISCONSIN, PEPPER JACK, MILD CHEDDAR

Fresh Natural Boneless Pork Roast Sale!
Center Cut, Shoulder or Sirloin
Equal or Lesser Value
Pork Roast Only

BUY ONE GET ONE FREE
Save up to \$4.99 lb

FRESH THYME
FARMERS MARKET

OPEN DAILY
7AM - 10PM

PRICES EFFECTIVE
2/27/19 - 3/6/19
GENEVA LOCATION ONLY

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www.freshthyme.com

We reserve the right to limit quantities. All sale items are while supplies last and subject to availability. We reserve the right to correct printing errors.

**COOK CLEAN.
COOK PURE.**

NO ADDITIVES OR PRESERVATIVES

Butcher Boy Vegetable Oil, Corn Oil

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SUPER COUPONS

COUPONS NOT AVAILABLE IN STORES

Sale Dates: Wednesday Feb. 27th thru Tuesday March 5th, 2019

REDEEM ALL 10 COUPONS WITH A \$100 PURCHASE

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5385

Bob Evans
Pork Sausage
•Roll 16 Oz.
•Links or Patties 12 Oz.



\$1.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5386

Dutch Farms
Grade "A"
Large Eggs
Dozen



79¢

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5387

Quaker
Instant Oatmeal
6 - 10 Ct.



\$1.79

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Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5388

US No. 1 "Genuine"
Idaho Potatoes
10 Lb. Bag



\$1.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5389

Dean's
Cottage Cheese
24 Oz.



\$1.99

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5390

Dean's Classic
Ice Cream
56 Oz.



\$1.99

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5391

Klondike
Ice Cream Bars
6 Pk.



\$2.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5392

Lay's
Potato Chips
7.75 - 10 Oz.



\$1.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5393

Nabisco
Oreo Cookies
7.9 - 16 Oz.



\$1.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

10 **WALT'S COUPON** LU 5394

Best Choice/
Pleasant View
Milk
•2% Reduced Fat
•1% Lowfat
•Skim Fat Free
Gallon



\$1.79

With This Coupon and a Separate \$10 Purchase Per Coupon.
Limit One Of Each Coupon Per Family Per Visit.
Limit One Per Coupon.
Coupon Good 02/27/19 - 03/05/19.

Digital Reward Coupons

Additional Savings with Walt's Digital App

Limit 1 of Each Coupon Per Customer. Must Use Walt's App to Redeem.



Hunt's
Spaghetti Sauce

24 Oz.

Sale Price **4/\$5**

Digital Reward Coupon
-\$1.00

When You Buy 4

Final Price **4/\$4**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Kraft
Macaroni & Cheese Cups

1.9 - 2.39 Oz.

Sale Price **4/\$5**

Digital Reward Coupon
-\$1.00

When You Buy 4

Final Price **4/\$4**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Alpo
Dog Food

- Come & Get It
- Prime Cuts

16 Lb.

Sale Price **\$8.99**

Digital Reward Coupon
-50¢

Final Price **\$8.49**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Purina Kit & Kaboodle
Cat Food

16 Lb.

Sale Price **\$10.99**

Digital Reward Coupon
-1.00

Final Price **\$9.99**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Marie Callender's
Dinners
Pot Pies

10.5 - 15 Oz.

Sale Price **\$2.99**

Digital Reward Coupon
-25¢

Final Price **\$2.74**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Healthy Choice
Classics
Café Steamers

9.5 - 11.5 Oz.

Sale Price **\$2.99**

Digital Reward Coupon
-25¢

Final Price **\$2.74**

Must use Walt's App to Redeem.



Zatarain's
New Orleans Style Rice Mix

7 - 8.8 Oz.

2/\$3 -50¢ Digital Reward Coupon
When You Buy 1



Florida's Natural Premium
Orange Juice

52 Oz.

2/\$5 -25¢ Digital Reward Coupon
When You Buy 1

Digital Rewards Program

Earn Points Every Time You Shop!

100's OF COUPONS

EXCLUSIVE OFFERS

Download and sign up today online or via your mobile device



SALE DATES:

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 27th THRU
TUESDAY, MARCH 5th, 2019

STORE HOURS:
Mon.-Sat. 7 am to 9 pm
Sun. 7 am to 7 pm

WALT'S FOOD CENTERS



View Our Ad & Current Values
at www.waltsfoods.com

From Our Country Bakery

Walt's Own Fresh Baked
Rye Bread
•Light •Dark •Caraway
1 Lb. Loaf
\$1.99

Walt's Own Fresh Baked
Buttercrust Buns
•8 Pk. Regular •12 Pk. Cocktail
\$1.99



Fresh Picked Ripe Sweet
Strawberries
1 Lb. Pkg.
99¢



Long Green Tender
Asparagus
\$1.69 Lb.



Fresh Picked Fancy
Green Beans
79¢ Lb. **Young N Tender**

From Our Deli Hut

Walt's Signature Premium
Polish Style Ham
\$4.98 Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**



USDA Choice Certified
Hereford "Natural Beef"
Porterhouse Steak
Any Size Package
\$7.99 Lb. **USDA CHOICE**



Walt's Premium "All Natural"
80% Lean
Ground Chuck
Value Pack
\$2.99 Lb. **Ground fresh in store many times daily.**



Indiana Kitchen
"All Natural" Pork
Boneless Pork Combo Pack
Value Pack
\$1.88 Lb. **Boneless Roast & Chops**

Walt's Signature Premium
Oven Roasted
Turkey Breast
\$6.98 Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb.

Sea Best
Fish Fillets
•Tilapia **\$4.29** 16 Oz.
•Ocean Perch **\$5.29** 16 Oz.
•Cod **\$5.99** 16 Oz.

Pillsbury
Grands! Biscuits
16.3 Oz.
2/\$3

Pillsbury
Rolls
•Crescent •Cinnamon •Sweet
8 - 13.9 Oz.
2/\$4

HomeMaker
Orange Juice
59 Oz.
2/\$4

Red Baron
Pizza
12 Inch
3/\$10

Blue Bonnet
Margarine
1 Lb. Qtrs.
89¢

Green Giant
Vegetables
•Corn
•Green Beans
•Sweet Peas
14.5 - 15.25 Oz.
79¢

Starkist
Chunk Light Tuna
5 Oz.
69¢

When You Buy 3
General Mills
Cereals
•Honey Nut Cheerios 10.8 Oz.
•Chocolate Peanut Butter or Multigrain Cheerios 9 - 11.3 Oz.
•Lucky Charms 10.5 Oz.
•Trix 10.7 Oz.
•Cocoa Puffs 11.8 Oz.
3/\$5 Must Buy 3.

Best Choice
Premium Paper Towels
8 Pk. Rolls
•Ultra
Bath Tissue
6 Pk. Mega Rolls
\$3.88 **Your Choice**

Butternut
Bread
•White
•100% Wheat
20 Oz.
4/\$5

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WALT'S
FOOD CENTERS
PACZKI
Walt's Own Handmade
Paczki
6 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$6.49

W Digital Rewards
DEAL of the Week



Available on the Walt's mobile app or at www.waltsfoods.com
\$1.99 Limit 1
Best Choice Battered Chicken
•Nuggets •Strips •Patties
20 - 30 Oz.

PRODUCE

Jumbo Size
Fresh Sweet
Blueberries
2/\$4
Full Pints

USDA ORGANIC
Del Cabo Sweet
Organic Grape Tomatoes
2/\$3
Full Pints

USDA ORGANIC
Mountain King
Organic Russet Potatoes
2/\$4
3 Lb. Bags

USDA ORGANIC
Naturipe Sweet
Organic Blueberries
2/\$5
6 Oz. Pkgs.

Driscoll's Finest
Sweet Red
Raspberries
2/\$5
6 Oz. Pkgs.

Fresh Sweet
Blackberries
2/\$4
6 Oz. Pkgs.

Extra Large
Tangy
Lemons
2/\$1

Extra Large
Fancy Tart
Limes
3/\$1

Long Green Tender
Asparagus
\$1.69
Lb.

Fresh Picked Ripe Sweet
Strawberries
1 Lb. Pkg.
99¢

Michigan Fancy
Jonathan Apples
3 Lb. Bag
\$1.69

Fresh Picked Fancy
Green Beans
79¢
Lb.
Young N Tender

"Andy Boy"
Crisp Tender
Romaine Hearts
3 Pack
\$1.69

Fancy
Navel Oranges
99¢
Lb.
Sweet N Juicy

"Hass"
Avocados
99¢
Ea.
Jumbo Size

Texas Fresh
Solid Green
Cabbage
59¢
Lb.

Assorted
Flavors
Kevita or
Kombucha
Beverages
2/\$5

Extra Large
Green Bell Peppers
99¢
Lb.

Extra Large
Flavorful
Roma Tomatoes
99¢
Lb.

Extra Large
Seedless Cucumbers
99¢
Ea.

COUNTRY BAKERY

Walt's Own
Fresh Baked
Rye Bread
•Light •Dark •Caraway
1 Lb. Loaf
\$1.99

Walt's Own Fresh
Zucchini Bread
\$4.49

Walt's Own
Homestyle Peach Pie
8 Inch
\$5.99

Walt's Own Fresh Baked
Buttercrust Buns
•8 Pk. Regular
•12 Pk. Cocktail
\$1.99

Café Valley
Bundt Cake
•Triple Chocolate •Lemon
16 Oz.
\$3.99

Walt's Own
Fresh Baked
Peach Muffins
4 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$4.49

Walt's Own
Handmade
Paczki
6 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$6.49
Assorted Varieties

Walt's Own
Bavarian Cream Filled
Eclairs
2 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$2.99
Value Pack

Walt's Own
Peach Cobbler
\$3.49

BUTCHER SHOP

Walt's "All Natural" Fresh Chicken
Boneless Chicken Breast Tenders
 3 Lb. Pkgs. or More
\$279 Lb.
 No Added Hormones

Miller Amish Country "100% Natural"
Chicken Drumsticks • Thighs
 Jumbo Pack
\$189 Lb.
 Raised Without Antibiotics, Hormones or Steroids

Honeysuckle Fresh
Turkey Sausage
 •Italian •Bratwurst
 20 Oz.
\$399
 99% Lean Ground Turkey 16 Oz. \$3.99

USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Porterhouse Steak
 Any Size Package
\$799 Lb.
 T-Bone Steak Any Size Package \$7.79 Lb.

USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Top Round London Broil
\$429 Lb.

USDA Choice
Beef Chuck Short Ribs
\$499 Lb.

USDA Choice
Center Cut Beef Shanks
\$299 Lb.

USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Top Round Roast
 Sold As Roast Only
\$399 Lb.
 Top Round London Broil \$3.99 Lb.

Hormel Black Label
Sliced Bacon
 Assorted Varieties
 12 - 16 Oz.
\$399

Bob Evans
Pork Sausage Roll
 Assorted Varieties
 16 Oz.
\$299
 Pork • Breakfast Links • Patties 12 Oz. \$2.99

Jennie-O
Turkey Bacon
 12 Oz.
2/\$5
 Smoked Turkey Sausage 14 Oz. 2/\$5

Walt's Premium "All Natural" 80% Lean
Ground Chuck
 Value Pack
\$299 Lb.
 Ground fresh in store many times daily.

Land O' Frost
Simply
 Assorted Varieties
 8 Oz.
2/\$5

Scott Pete
Smoked Polish Sausage
 Assorted Varieties
 40 Oz.
\$399
 Smoked Beef Sausage 40 Oz. \$4.99

Jimbooo's
Italian Beef & Gravy
 26 Oz.
\$649

Indiana Kitchen "All Natural" Pork
Boneless Pork Chops
 Value Pack
\$229 Lb.

Oscar Mayer
Economy Lunchmeat
 Assorted Varieties
 14 - 16 Oz.
2/\$5

Oscar Mayer
Basic Lunchables
 Assorted Varieties
 2.5 - 4.4 Oz.
3/\$5

Carl Buddig
Thin Sliced Lunchmeat
 Assorted Varieties
 2 Oz.
3/\$2

Hormel
Fully Cooked Entree
 Assorted Varieties
 15 Oz.
\$499

Bob Evans
Mashed Potatoes
 Assorted Varieties
 20 - 24 Oz.
2/\$5

Best Choice
Bagged Breaded Chicken
 •Nuggets •Strips •Patties
 20 - 30 Oz.
\$299

Indiana Kitchen "All Natural" Pork
Boneless Center Cut Pork Roast
\$249 Lb.

Indiana Kitchen "All Natural" Pork
Boneless Pork Combo Pack
 Value Pack
\$188 Lb.
 Boneless Roast and Chops

Specialty Shoppe

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Stuffed Boneless Chicken Breast . . . **\$399** Lb.

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Boneless Stuffed Pork Chops **\$279** Lb.

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Stuffed Bone-in Pork Chops **\$259** Lb.

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Stuffed Whole Pork Tenderloin **\$349** Lb.

Walt's "All Natural" 93% Lean
Ground Sirloin **\$429** Lb.

Seafood Specials

CATCH! THE SAVINGS

Sea Best
Cod Fillets 16 Oz. **\$599**

Sea Best
Tilapia Fillets 16 Oz. **\$429**

Sea Best
Ocean Perch Fillets 16 Oz. **\$529**

Ocean Café
 5 Pack
Crab Cakes . . . 17 Oz. **\$499**

Louis Kemp
Imitation Crabmeat 8 Oz. **\$179**
 Assorted Varieties

Check Out Our LOW PRICES DELI-HUT Check Out Our LOW PRICES

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Walt's Signature Premium
Polish Style Ham
\$498 Lb.
 \$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Walt's Signature Premium
Oven Roasted Turkey Breast
\$698 Lb.
 \$3.49 1/2 Lb.

Grandpa's
Potato Salad **\$359** Lb.

Garden Fresh
Asiago Pasta Salad **\$599** Lb.

Garden Fresh
Vinegar & Oil Cole Slaw **\$249** Lb.

Grandpa's
Baked Beans **\$299** Lb.

Garden Fresh Creamy
Seafood Salad **\$499** Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Eckrich
Ham
 •Spicy Pineapple
 •Black Forest
\$498 Lb.
 \$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Eckrich
Hard Salami
 Selected Varieties
\$498 Lb.
 \$2.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Stella
Parmesan
 Selected Varieties
 8 Oz. Bag
\$479

Panera
Soup
 Selected Varieties
 16 Oz.
\$499

Walt's Deli Hut
Whole Rotisserie Chicken
\$599 Ea.

Walt's Deli Hut Country Fried or Seasoned Grilled
10 Pc. Mixed Chicken
 •2 Breasts •2 Wings
 •3 Thighs •3 Drumsticks
\$899

Dietz & Watson
Garlic Roasted Cheddar Cheese
\$698 Lb.
 \$3.49 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
Yellow American Cheese
\$498 Lb.
 \$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
All Varieties Turkey Breast
\$798 Lb.
 \$3.99 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
All Varieties Chicken Breast
\$698 Lb.
 \$3.49 1/2 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Whole Rotisserie Chicken
\$599 Ea.

Walt's Deli Hut Country Fried or Seasoned Grilled
10 Pc. Mixed Chicken
 •2 Breasts •2 Wings
 •3 Thighs •3 Drumsticks
\$899

Dietz & Watson
All Varieties Beef
\$998 Lb.
 \$4.99 1/2 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
All Varieties Ham
\$678 Lb.
 \$3.39 1/2 Lb.

DAIRY

Pillsbury
Rolls
•Crescent
•Cinnamon
•Sweet
8 - 13.9 Oz.



2/\$4

Pillsbury
Grands! Biscuits
16.3 Oz.
2/\$3

Dean's DairyPure
Half & Half
14 Oz.



3/\$5

Dutch Farms
Regular
American Cheese Singles
12 Oz.
3/\$6

Dutch Farms
English Muffins
6 Pk.
\$1.19

Dannon
Yogurt
•Danimal Drinks
•Activia
12 Pk.

2/\$10

Kraft
Shredded Cheese
24 Oz.
\$3.99

Dole
Juice Blends
59 Oz.
\$2.99

Blue Bonnet
Margarine
1 Lb. Qtrs.
89¢
Blue Bonnet Soft Spread 15 Oz. \$1.59

Dean's DairyPure
Cottage Cheese Mix-ins
Selected Varieties 5.3 Oz.
10/\$10

Dutch Farms
Shredded Cheese
•Regular •Thick Cut
•Fancy
Selected Varieties 6 - 8 Oz.
3/\$6

Parkay
Soft Spread
41 Oz.
\$3.79

Yoplait
Yogurt
8 Pk.
\$4.49

Kraft Philadelphia
Cream Cheese
•Original
•1/3 Less Fat
8 Oz. Box
\$2.99

Pure Leaf
Tea
59 Oz.
\$2.49

Pillsbury
Cookies
16 - 16.5 Oz.
2/\$5

Almond Breeze
Milk
96 Oz.
\$3.79

Dutch Farms
Cheese
•Natural Slices 6 Oz.
•Bars 8 Oz.
Selected Varieties
3/\$6

Dutch Farms
Horseradish
8 Oz.
2/\$3

Dutch Farms
Gelatin Rings
19.5 - 22 Oz.
3/\$5

Jello
•Pudding •Gelatin
4 Pk.
\$1.99

Starbucks
Iced Coffee
40 - 48 Oz.
\$4.49

Eggland's Best
Cage Free Grade "A"
Large Eggs
Dozen
\$2.79

Lactaid
Milk
96 Oz.
\$4.79

Dutch Farms
Mozzarella Cheese Ball
16 Oz.
2/\$6

Noon Hour
Herring
•Wine •Cream
12 Oz. Jar
\$3.99

Kraft Philadelphia
Soft Cream Cheese
7.5 - 8 Oz. Tub
2/\$6

Kraft
Velveeta Cheese
2 Lb. Loaf
\$7.49

Minute Maid
Premium
Orange Juice
59 Oz.
\$2.99

FROZEN

Dean's Classic
Ice Cream
56 Oz.
2/\$5



Mr. Dell's
"All Natural"
Hash Browns
24 - 32 Oz.
2/\$6

Turkey Hill
Premium
Ice Cream
48 Oz.
\$2.99

Flav-R-Pac Polybag
Vegetables
•Stir Fry
•Mixtures
12 Oz.
\$1.99

Best Choice
Potatoes
Selected Varieties
28 - 32 Oz.
\$1.79

Hungry-man
Dinners
9 - 16 Oz.
2/\$6

TGI Fridays
Appetizers
Selected Varieties
7.6 - 11 Oz.
\$3.69

Screamin' Sicilian
Pizza
20.2 - 25.05 Oz.
\$5.99

Jimmy Dean
Breakfast Sandwiches
•Biscuits •Croissants •Muffins
13.6 - 18 Oz.
\$3.99

Klondike
Ice Cream Bars
6 Pk.
\$3.99

Cole's
•Garlic Loaf 16 Oz. •Garlic Toast 14 Oz.
•Cheesesticks 11.5 Oz. •Garlic Cheese Toast 14 Oz.
•Five Cheese Garlic Bread 12 Oz. •Big Texan Garlic Toast 14 Oz.
•Italian Garlic Bread 16 Oz. •Garlic Breadsticks 10.5 Oz.
•Pretzel Sticks 12 Oz. •Asiago Mozzarella Sticks 11.5 Oz.
•Hidden Valley Ranch Cheesesticks 11.5 Oz.
2/\$5

Gorton's Fish
•Garlic/Herb Fillets 11 Oz. •Crunchy Fillets or Sticks 11.4 Oz.
•Crispy Battered Fillets 11.4 Oz.
•Grilled Salmon or Tilapia Fillets 6.3 Oz.
•Lemon Pepper Fillets 7.1 Oz.
\$3.99

Healthy Choice
Simply Steamers
Selected Varieties
9 - 10 Oz.
\$2.99

Ore Ida
Bagel Bites
7 Oz.
\$2.49

Urban Pie
Pizza
16.20 - 20.45 Oz.
\$5.99

Gino's East
Thin Crust
Pizza
12 Inch
3/\$9

MorningStar
Farms Sale!
Selected Varieties
8 - 12 Oz.
2/\$7

Good Humor
Ice Cream Bars
•Strawberry Shortcake
•Chocolate Eclair
6 Pk.
\$3.99

Gorton's Fish

Healthy Choice Power Bowls
9.25 - 9.75 Oz. **2/\$7**

Banquet
Mega
•Bowls •Pot Pies •Meals
Selected Varieties
12 - 16.95 Oz.
2/\$5

Banquet Boneless
Chicken
•Patties •Tenders
•Strips •Nuggets
24 - 32 Oz.
\$4.49

Gino's East
Tavern Style
Pizza
12 Inch
\$5.99

Banquet Boneless
Chicken Nuggets 48 Oz. **\$6.99**

Pepperidge Farm
Regular
3-Layer Cake
19 - 19.6 Oz.
2/\$6

Prairie Farms
Premium
Ice Cream
56 Oz.
2/\$6

Green Giant
Boxed Vegetables
Selected Varieties
7 - 10 Oz.
4/\$5

Louisa
Pasta
Selected Varieties
16 - 22 Oz.
\$3.99

Kid Cuisine
Dinners
7.15 - 10.6 Oz.
2/\$4

Banquet
Sliders
•Chicken
•Cheeseburger
10 - 11.64 Oz.
\$3.99

Home-Run Inn
Classic
Pizza
12 Inch
\$5.99

Home-Run Inn
Classic •Thin Crust 6 Inch **3/\$9**

GROCERY

Hellmann's Mayonnaise
36 Oz.
\$3.49

20% MORE BONUS!
HELLMANN'S REAL MAYONNAISE
Bonus Size!

Essenhaus Amish Noodles
•Wide
•Extra Wide
16 Oz.
2/\$5

Green Giant Vegetables
•Green Beans
•Corn
•Sweet Peas
14.5 - 15.25 Oz.
79¢

Wishbone or Western Salad Dressing
15 Oz.
2/\$4

Butternut Bread
White or 100% Wheat
20 Oz.
•Hamburger Buns
•Hot Dog Buns
8 Ct.
4/\$5

Betty Crocker Helpers
4.7 - 8.5 Oz.
10/\$10

BumbleBee Chunk Light Tuna
•Regular
•Seasoned
2.5 Oz. Pouch
10/\$10

Dinty Moore Stew
20 Oz.
•Mary Kitchen Hash
14 Oz.
2/\$5

Hormel Spam
12 Oz.
2/\$5

Nabisco Oreo Cookies
7.9 - 16 Oz.
2/\$5

Maruchan Instant Lunch
6 Pk. Cups
•Ramen Noodles
12 Pk.
2/\$4

Maruchan Bowl
•Ramen Bowl
•Yakisoba Noodles
3.31 - 4 Oz.
5/\$3

Zesta Saltine Crackers
16 Oz.
\$2.29

Heinz Ketchup
•Mustard
20 Oz. Squeeze
2/\$4

Starkist Chunk Light Tuna
5 Oz.
69¢

Best Choice Cake Mix
16.5 Oz.
79¢

Best Choice Cake Frosting
16 Oz.
\$1.29

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4 Lb.
\$1.79

Best Choice Oil
•Vegetable
•Canola
48 Oz.
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•Honey Nut Cheerios 10.8 Oz.
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10 Ct.
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15.4 - 18.5 Lb.
\$4.99

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 •Pepsi •Mtn. Dew
 •Crush •Schweppes
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
 •7Up •Dr. Pepper
 •A&W •RC •Canada Dry
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans or 8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls.
3/\$12

Regular, Diet
 •Pepsi •Mtn. Dew
 •Crush •Schweppes
 •7Up •Dr. Pepper
 •A&W •RC •Canada Dry
 6 Pk. 5 Ltr. Btls. or 6 Pk. 7.5 Oz. Cans
4/\$10

•7Up •Dr. Pepper
 •A&W •RC
 •Canada Dry
 2 Ltr.
5/\$5

Regular, Diet
 •Coke
 •Coke Zero Sugar
 •Sprite
 2 Ltr.
4/\$5

Regular, Diet
 •Coke
 •Coke Zero Sugar
 •Sprite
 6 Pk. 7.5 Oz. Cans
2/\$5

Green River
 1 Ltr.
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 18.5 Oz.
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 7.75 - 10 Oz.
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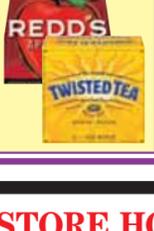
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