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FINAL PUSH FOR VOTES

Preckwinkle and Lightfoot fan out across city ahead of historic mayoral election on Tuesday

BY BILL RUTHHART, GREGORY PRATT AND JUAN PEREZ JR.
Chicago Tribune

Chicago mayoral candidates Lori Lightfoot and Toni Preckwinkle capped a final weekend of campaigning by fanning out across the city to reach voters everywhere from behind a bar in South Chicago and on the streets of Little Village to the tables of a Lakeview restaurant and the aisles of a Pullman Walmart.

There were no large-scale rallies or long-winded speeches from the candidates ahead of Tuesday's historic runoff election that will result in the city's first African-American female mayor. Instead, it mostly was an exercise in get-out-the-vote mobilization, with the state of the race reflected by where the candidates chose to campaign.

Lightfoot won the February first-round election, thanks to a base of voters along the predominantly white, liberal lakefront, but has since expanded her coalition to include key endorsements from more conservative neighborhoods along the Northwest and Southwest sides and among some top Latino leaders, including U.S. Rep. Jesus "Chuy" Garcia. She's also been backed by businessman Willie Wilson, who won the highest number of predominantly black wards in the first round.

As a result, Lightfoot's weekend schedule spanned all over the city,

from Montclare on the Northwest Side, Lakeview on the North Side to South Chicago on the Southeast Side, Roseland on the Far South Side and Beverly on the Far Southwest Side.

Preckwinkle, chair of the Cook County Democratic Party, finished second in February thanks to a base centered on the South Side's Hyde Park, winning five of the city's majority black wards and placing second in the other 13. She also won a mostly Latino ward

on the Northwest Side and has picked up backing from some Latino aldermen but shown few signs of growing her support more broadly on the North Side.

As such, Preckwinkle spent almost her entire weekend encouraging voters in the predominantly black South and West sides to head to the polls. She also visited Little Village and Humboldt Park, heavily Latino neigh-

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Trump doubles down on closure

Conway says threat to shut U.S.-Mexico border 'isn't a bluff'

BY JOEL ACHENBACH,
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The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — It would take "something dramatic" in the coming days to persuade President Donald Trump not to close the U.S.-Mexico border, acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney said Sunday, and White House counselor Kellyanne Conway said the president's threat "certainly isn't a bluff."

The two senior staffers, appearing separately on Sunday morning talk shows, also reiterated the administration's intention to cut off hundreds of millions of dollars in assistance — including programs designed to curb gang violence — to Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador.

Those countries are the primary source of tens of thousands of migrants, including caravans of families with children, who have been presenting themselves at ports of entry and asking for political asylum.

"Democrats didn't believe us a month ago, two months ago when we said what was happening at the border was a crisis, a humanitarian crisis, a security crisis," Mulvaney said on ABC News's "This Week." He said the administration is talking about closing the border because "we need the people from the ports of entry to go out and patrol in the desert, where we don't have any wall."

He also called on the Mexican government to solidify its southern border and said Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador need to do more to prevent their citizens from entering Mexico. If they cannot do that, he said, "it makes very little sense for us to continue to send them aid."

Conway, appearing on "Fox News Sunday," pushed back against the notion that cutting aid to those countries would make matters worse. "The conditions are already awful," she said. "The executive branch has done so much to try to mitigate these awful circumstances, and we need to send a message back to these countries, too."

Closing the border is a drastic

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President Donald Trump has called on Mexico to strengthen its border with Guatemala.

CPD officials credit tech gains, staffing, specialized units and efforts to boost community support for decrease in violence



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According to Chicago police statistics on the first three months of 2019, homicides plummeted 38 percent through March 24.

Homicides, shootings fall

BY JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

In a promising start to 2019, homicides and shootings have dropped sharply over the first three months, Chicago police say, continuing a decline since 2016, when violence hit levels not seen since the 1990s.

Homicides plummeted 38 percent through March 24, the latest department statistics show, as most of the city's 22 patrol districts reported declines, including in the South and West

Side neighborhoods that traditionally struggle with violence, poverty and other social ills. Shooting incidents fell by 19 percent.

Arguably, the biggest improvement took place in the Calumet District on the Far South Side, which had seen a single homicide and only 10 shooting incidents through March 24, though a shooting a day later left a 33-year-old woman dead and her husband and 1-year-old son wounded. The district had 11 homicides and 23 shooting inci-

dents in the year-earlier period.

Calumet District Cmdr. Joel Howard, who was named to the post last summer, knows the true test will come as the weather — and the violence — heats up in coming weeks.

Howard has found that much of the violence stems from disputes over social media that, he said, can often be discovered before trouble erupts if police make inroads with the community.

"More times than not, the neighborhood knows more about

what's going on than we do," Howard told the Tribune in a phone interview.

In recent years, Chicago has received unflattering national attention — particularly from President Donald Trump — as the big city with the most homicides and shootings, though other cities have worse per capita rates. In recent years, homicides in Chicago have outnumbered both New York City and Los Angeles combined, despite their consider-

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Ill. troopers get tough on distracted driving, Chicago tickets plunge



MARY WISNIEWSKI
Getting Around

State troopers are cracking down hard on distracted drivers, but Chicago police barely enforce the law against driving while using a cellphone, according to data from both agencies.

The number of tickets issued by Illinois State Police for texting or talking on a cellphone without the use of a hands-free device has jumped more than 700 percent, to 14,268 tickets in 2018 from 1,729 in 2017, a spokesman said.

In Chicago, meanwhile, the number dropped by almost half last year, to 297 from 531 tickets in 2017, according to figures



Tickets given by the state police to drivers for using a cellphone without a hands-free device jumped to 14,268 in 2018 from 1,729 in 2017.

obtained through the Freedom of Information Act. The Chicago number is down significantly from 2014, when more than 45,000 tickets were issued.

The big increase in state police tickets, and the big drop in Chicago tickets, comes as evi-

dence of the dangers of cellphone use while driving continues to mount. The number of deaths from distraction-affected crashes was 3,166 nationally in 2017, or 8.5 percent of total fatalities.

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Family of state trooper hit by a truck and killed while on duty describe her as a strong, service-driven woman passionate about her work. **Chicagoland**

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Duke had a close game, but this time the Blue Devils couldn't pull it out, falling to Michigan State. Auburn punched its ticket with a victory over Kentucky. **Sports**

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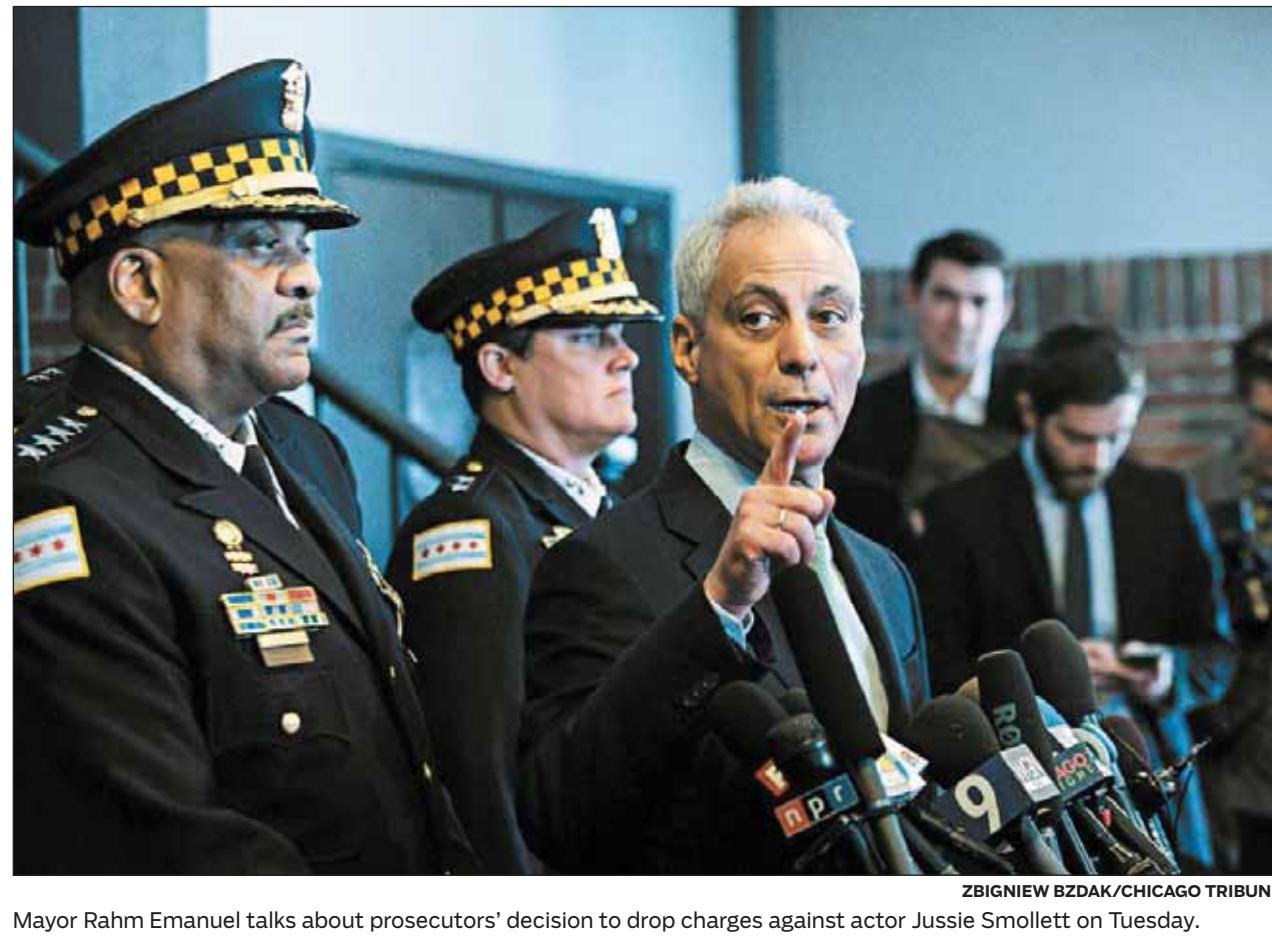
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Mayor Rahm Emanuel talks about prosecutors' decision to drop charges against actor Jussie Smollett on Tuesday.

Emanuel's anger over Smollett case isn't about justice. It's about revenge.



DAHEELEN GLANTON

I wish he were already gone. Rahm Emanuel's last memorable act as mayor of Chicago very well might be his attempt to take \$130,000 from Jussie Smollett.

Humiliated and angry that Smollett is getting to walk away free after the mayor and police declared the actor guilty beyond a reasonable doubt of staging his own racial and homophobic attack, Emanuel has set his sights on revenge.

A day after having a temper tantrum in the national spotlight, Emanuel demanded that Smollett reimburse the city for the overtime cost of the police investigation that led to a 16-count indictment for disorderly conduct.

We all know that Chicago will never see a penny of that money, especially with a lame-duck mayor who has one foot out the door.

But Emanuel likes to talk big. He wants everybody to know that he's no pushover. He is going to make Smollett pay, one way or another. And the mayor doesn't care if he takes the city—or the entire nation for that matter—down in the process.

Wait a minute. Nobody thinks his over-the-top reaction to state prosecutors dropping the charges against Smollett has anything to do with justice, do they? Nobody's gullible enough to believe his grandstanding is about doing what's best for Chicago, right?

Of course, everybody realizes this is all about Emanuel's insatiable need to control.

Don't think for a moment that the mayor wasn't working behind the scenes dictating exactly how the Smollett case would unfold to the public. His script fell apart when prosecutors abruptly decided to

change the narrative.

In case anyone isn't familiar with Chicago politics, let me break down what happened last week.

In our city, the mayor is actually a dictator. God forbid anyone make a move without his knowledge. He's the judge, jury and decider-in-chief.

Kim Foxx, who was elected Cook County state's attorney just three years ago, is relatively new to big-league Chicago politics. Maybe she didn't get the memo.

Or maybe she forgot that state's attorneys are supposed to be pawns of City Hall, willing to crash and burn along with the mayor.

Foxx's predecessor, Anita Alvarez, didn't mind putting her career on the line to help Emanuel and the Chicago Police Department cover up one of the most blatant murders by a police officer in our city since the days of Al Capone.

Officer Jason Van Dyke shot 17-year-old Laquan McDonald 16 times as the teenager was walking away. The murder led to an investigation by President Barack Obama's Justice Department, which found the Police Department rife with corruption and hostility, primarily toward African-Americans.

Alvarez lost her re-election because of the backlash. Emanuel very likely would have lost, too, if he'd had the guts to run.

Emanuel needs everyone to know that, though his days are numbered, he's still very much in charge.

Foxx, however, seemed to think she could just walk into her first term and make a major decision to drop all charges against Smollett without so much as giving the mayor a heads-up.

In Emanuel's world, that's an unforgivable offense. Foxx is going to have to pay right along with Smollett.

So what does the mayor do? As soon as he hears the news, he labels the prosecutor's move a "whitewashing of justice," insinuating that something fishy happened behind the scenes, though he has not an ounce of evidence to prove it.

The mayor, who has laughed in the face of accountability, then went on national TV promoting the conspiracy theory, getting the nation more riled up and drawing the attention of a manipulator even more masterful than he—Donald Trump.

Smollett's alleged attack combined racism and homophobia to become one of the most divisive situations America has seen in a while. There was no way the president was going to sit this one out.

He longed to be front and center, directing the cast and setting the stage for what could be his greatest production since coming into power. All he needed was an entry. Emanuel opened the door and let him in.

It should not have been surprising to the mayor that Trump would try to step into the Smollett mess. The president tweeted Thursday that the FBI and his own Justice Department would review the case, calling it "outrageous" and "an embarrassment to our Nation!"

We have grown accustomed to watching Trump throw temper tantrums when he feels threatened by forces beyond his control. We are used to seeing him react with venom and vindictiveness when someone gets in his way.

It would have been refreshing if, during Emanuel's final days in office, the mayor could have shown the nation what it looks like for a leader to respond gracefully when things don't go exactly the way he thinks they should.

But instead of behaving with dignity, Emanuel went on a fiery rampage, fueling the flames of anger and pulling us further apart.

Emanuel could not possibly think that a \$130,000 check from Smollett would repair the damage done to this city. But the mayor, at least, could claim a victory.

Lucky for Chicago, though, in a few weeks he'll be gone.

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'Absolute best person you could meet'

Family remembers state trooper who was hit by truck, killed while on duty

By HANNAH LEONE
Chicago Tribune

Illinois State Police Trooper Brooke Jones-Story had her police family, her CrossFit family, the farm animals she rescued — roles in many communities that are already missing her, according to her relatives.

Jones-Story, 34, was killed while conducting a traffic stop Thursday in Freeport, west of Rockford on U.S. Highway 20 near Illinois Route 75, state police said.

She had pulled over a truck and was outside her car about 12:20 p.m., inspecting the truck on the shoulder of the road, when another semitractor-trailer hit her, along with her squad car and the truck she'd stopped, state police said. Both trucks erupted in flames. The driver of the truck that hit Jones-Story was ticketed and taken into custody, and no one else was injured, authorities said.

Two days after her death,



Brooke Jones-Story

Jones-Story's family released a statement through the state police agency where she worked for 12 years — and where met her husband, Master Sgt. Robert Story, whom she married in 2012 in Galena, Ill. The family described Jones-Story as a strong, service-driven woman who loved her family and friends and was passionate about her work as a trooper.

"It was through that role that she gained her family in blue, met her husband and connected her personal and professional loves," her family said in the statement Saturday night.

A fan of Disney movies and the Chicago Cubs, she played volleyball in high school and college and had a soft spot for animals, starting a rescue operation, according to her family. In her obituary, her family asked that instead of bringing flowers, people consider donating in her name to the Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue. Police said donations can also be made to her family at the Trooper Jones-Story Memorial Fund through the ISP Heritage Foundation.

"This is a woman who embraced life and loved spending time with her beloved family and friends," her family said. "A dedicated, courageous, loving and passionate officer and the absolute best person you could meet. Brooke will be sorely

missed and is loved and celebrated for a life committed to her family and the service of others."

Jones-Story was born in March 1985 in Monroe, Wis., to Mark and Carol Jones, who both survive her, according to her obituary, released by Leammon Funeral Homes. She has two living siblings, two stepchildren and a grandchild.

She graduated from Warren High School in 2003 and got a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside in 2006, according to her obituary. She joined the Illinois State Police as a cadet in June 2007, then spent her whole career in the same district in Pecatonica, according to the police.

"Throughout her career with the ISP, Trooper Jones-Story was recognized for her hard work, positive attitude, and for being a rising leader among her peers," police officials said Saturday.

Two days after Jones-Story's

death, Trooper Gerald Ellis, 36, was killed while traveling home in his squad car on Interstate 94 in Green Oaks. A driver who was eastbound in the west-bound lanes struck Ellis' car head-on. The wrong-way driver also died.

This is the first time in 66 years that Illinois State Police have lost three troopers in one year, said Brendan Kelly, acting director of the state police. Trooper Christopher Lambert was killed in January while assisting at the scene of an accident on Interstate 294.

Public visitation for Jones-Story will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, with a law enforcement walk-through at 6 p.m., at Warren High School, 311 S. Water St., in Warren, Ill.

A celebration of life has been set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at the high school. Burial will be private.

Chicago Tribune's Deanese Williams-Harris and Anna Kim contributed.

Race, politics and the Obamas

Valerie Jarrett's book traces steps from Iran to Chicago to the White House

By LOLLY BOWEAN
Chicago Tribune

In her free moments between working with law students at the University of Chicago, serving on corporate boards and making speaking appearances, Obama family friend Valerie Jarrett interviewed her mother, daughter and other close relatives about her childhood memories and pivotal moments in her life and career.

"I thought that one of the things I could do to be helpful to other women who are struggling in their careers and personal lives is to tell my story," she told the Tribune in a recent interview. "I wanted the book to be not just enjoyable to read, but helpful."

"In my case, being a young, single mom, there were so many times I thought if I was just smarter, or more efficient or slept fewer hours, this wouldn't be so hard," she said. "But the truth is, it's just hard."

While she may be internationally known, Jarrett has a large footprint in Chicago, especially on the South Side.

Her mother's family had migrated to Chicago from the South and figured out ways to send their children to the best prep schools and colleges. During the harshest of times, Jarrett's relatives became elected officials, working professionals and accomplished leaders so respected that at least one has a street here named in her honor.

Her maternal grandfather, Robert Rochon Taylor, graduated from the University of Illinois and helped plan, build and manage what became known as Rosenwald Courts, a multiunit housing complex that still exists in Bronzeville. He was the first black chairman of the Chicago Housing Authority and for decades, a sprawling public housing complex called Robert Taylor Homes carried his name.

Jarrett's father, Jim Bowman, a physician, moved to Chicago for a medical residency and married her mother, Barbara Taylor, in the 1950s.

He got a job at Chicago's Provident Hospital but found his prospects limited because he was black, so the couple decided to escape racial segregation and racist attitudes and move abroad. As a result, Jarrett was born in Shiraz, Iran.

And though large sections are dedicated to her



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Two years after leaving the White House, Valerie Jarrett opens up about politics and her life choices in "Finding My Voice: My Journey to the West Wing and the Path Forward."

She spent her earlier years traveling the globe.

When she was about 5, the family moved back to Bronzeville, where she first had to confront racism herself.

"I couldn't tell my story without addressing the issue of race," she says. "I'm concerned about the resurgence of white supremacists that feel comfortable spewing hate. ... We have to be honest and say this is still an issue we grapple with."

Jarrett's book also covers the oft-told story of her meeting and forging a close relationship with the Obamas.

Jarrett writes about how she was working as a prestigious Chicago law firm but was unfulfilled and unhappy. Against the advice of her relatives, she went to work for the city in Mayor Harold Washington's administration.

It was at City Hall that she learned how to serve the public and navigate a politically charged environment. It was also at City Hall that she was mentored by a woman who pushed her to ask for a promotion and a raise. In that role, she learned the importance of work and family balance, how women have to pull each other up and also ask for what they need.

"Sometimes when we get a seat at the table, we are so busy protecting our seat we forget it's better when there are more voices," she said.

It was also at City Hall that she interviewed and offered a job to a young Michelle Robinson, who said she wanted Jarrett to meet her fiance before

agreeing to take the position.

Jarrett would later move back to the private sector before she was catapulted to national prominence as Barack Obama's fundraiser and close adviser.

Jarrett doesn't reveal much about briefly seeking an appointment to Obama's U.S. Senate seat in 2008 after he was elected president. Then-Gov. Rod Blagojevich was later charged with trying to profit from selling the Senate appointment and ended up in prison.

She does, however, spend pages on the Rev. Jeremiah Wright and how the religious leader's words created controversy for Barack Obama on the campaign trail.

"It wasn't so much writing about Jeremiah Wright, but how his actions touched upon the third rail of race and how we all coped with that in a presidential campaign and the tough decision President Obama had to make," she said. "I thought it said a lot about Obama's character and integrity that he felt he owed the American people an explanation."

Throughout the book, Jarrett sprinkles in stories about figures who were a part of the Obama close circle: Michael Strautmanis and Martin Nesbitt, who now both work with the Obama Foundation; Susan Sher, who is a high-level adviser at the University of Chicago; and David Axelrod, who oversees the University's Institute of Politics.

Others who get a mention include Cook County

Board President Toni Preckwinkle, whom Jarrett has endorsed for Chicago mayor, and former Mayor Richard M. Daley.

Jarrett writes that in the White House, she and Rahm Emanuel had their spats, but she doesn't dwell on it.

"His bombastic style of leadership was intimidating to many," she writes of Emanuel. "He let off steam by screaming, which was unsettling not just for those to whom it was directed, but to anyone in earshot."

Emanuel never screamed at her, Jarrett writes. And eventually the president had to talk with him about improving the work environment.

Of her time in the White House, Jarrett focuses on majestic moments that brought her face to face with world leaders and icons like Elie Wiesel and the Dalai Lama. She writes at length about the push for health care reform, fair pay for women and gay marriage.

She writes about the administration's feelings of helplessness after the Sandy Hook school shooting and the frustration of trying to work with an oppositional Congress.

She called the election of Donald Trump "soul crushing" and writes in detail what it was like to be one of the last people to leave the White House on Obama's last day in office.

"I thought, if I were honest, people could see me as a real person ... it would make the story more meaningful," she said.

Street sweeping resumes Monday

Snow is gone, but new parking challenge begins

By KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS
Chicago Tribune

There's an old joke about Chicago only having two seasons: winter and construction.

Of course that's not true, but when it comes to parking restrictions, the two main signs motorists see do seem to support the two-season rule.

So while April 1 marks the end of some winter parking bans, it's also the day that introduces summer's equivalent: the street sweeping bans.

Beginning Monday, those parking along Chicago neighborhood streets will want to keep their eyes open for the orange signs that indicate when parking is not allowed.

Keep in mind, not all streets rely on the orange attention-getting signs — some arterial streets have permanent signs that state on which days parking is prohibited.

The street sweeping schedules also can be found online at the Department of Streets and Sanitation website.

That agency also has a "sweeper tracker," an online tool that allows users to track the location of street sweepers in real time.

However, since the orange street signs prohibit parking for several hours at a time, it should not be used as a means to avoid a ticket. Tickets still can be issued to those who park in no-parking areas even if they don't impede a street sweeper.

If you aren't looking forward to the restrictions, try to remember that the rules in spring, summer and fall are not quite as strict as those in winter. It marks the end of overnight parking bans along 107 miles of streets as well as the end of the ban that kicks in when there are 2 inches or more of snow along an additional 500 miles of city streets.

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Distracted driving can be deadly

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ties, according to federal data. Safety advocates say distracted driving is likely underreported as a factor in crashes, and that it poses a similar or greater risk than drunken driving.

Why the difference in enforcement?

Chicago police have said that in 2015, they began complying with a change in state law, which meant officers had to start going to traffic court instead of having tickets adjudicated by an administrative law judge. This meant more police time, which the busy department apparently decided it could not spare. Chicago police did not comment on the most recent numbers.

Illinois State Police stepped up enforcement because distracted driving is a "huge issue" on the roads, and they want to make sure drivers are paying attention to the law, said ISP Sgt. Christopher "Joey" Watson.

"There was a learning curve with the public," Watson said. "We gave a lot of warnings, and state police began transitioning more to a hard citation."

Nick Smith, interim CEO for the National Safety Council, an Itasca-based safety advocacy group, praised the state's increase in tickets but called Chicago's levels "shocking."

"We know that enforcement is key to impacting behavior," Smith said. "We'd like to see the city place a higher priority on this since distraction contributes to incidents and fatalities."

Smith said enforcement of traffic safety laws has declined nationally, which could be because of a lack of manpower in some communities.

"With distracted driving, law enforcement may not see that as a priority for safe driving behavior," Smith said. "We would argue that it's critically important."

Northwest suburban Niles has also stepped up enforcement. The suburb started a "Texting Tuesday" campaign at the beginning of last year. It issued 1,822 tickets under its distracted driving ordinance in 2018, six times more than the number issued in Chicago.

"The goal is to slow them down, make them more aware of their driving habits and make pedestrian safety better," said Niles police Cmdr. Robert Tornabene.

April is distracted driving awareness month, so expect more enforcement around Illinois in the next few weeks. The Illinois Department of Transportation will be giving 115 law enforcement agencies \$1 million in federal funds to help pay for an enforcement campaign, hoping to double citations, said IDOT spokesman Guy Tridgell. IDOT also will start to run TV, radio, digital and billboard spots on distracted driving awareness.

Tridgell said distracted driving is playing a larger role in deaths on Illinois roads. "These crashes are almost 100 percent avoidable. It's got to stop."

Oddly, drivers are aware that driving while texting is dangerous, but they keep doing it, according to a recent survey. The attitude seems to be "Stop me before I text again."

Nearly all drivers consider phone usage to be rarely or never OK, but almost all admit to using

their phone while driving, according to a survey last week by Arity, a transportation data and analytics company.

The survey found that drivers feel less confident in their ability to deal with distractions than they did last year, but their efforts to minimize distractions have gone down.

As distracted driving has become more of a problem, Illinois laws have been getting tougher. The first state ban on texting while driving went into effect Jan. 1, 2010, followed by a ban on cellphone use without a hands-free device in 2014, said Mary Riseling, policy analyst for Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White.

Starting July 1 of this year, texting or using a cellphone without a hands-free device will become a moving violation. Three moving violations in a year mean your license will be suspended.

A review of Chicago police tickets for distracted driving showed that the highest numbers of tickets in 2017 and 2018 were issued in Austin, with a total of 101 tickets. Austin is a low-income, mostly black neighborhood on the city's West Side, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. It is possible that Austin saw more tickets because it has more police patrolling.

By contrast, 11 community areas had no tickets for distracted driving over two years. These included Mount Greenwood and Edison Park, known for having a high number of residents who are police officers.

Reports of more traffic and parking tickets being issued in black and Hispanic neighborhoods have been a topic in Chicago's mayoral campaign.

Both Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot have pointed to the financial burden that tickets can pose on low-income residents, and Lightfoot has said she would order an audit into potential bias in ticketing.

Dave Druker, spokesman for the Illinois secretary of state, said he cannot judge Chicago's distracted driving enforcement, since its other crime problems are "so tremendous."

But Mike Keating, a personal injury attorney who often represents injured bicyclists, said that if any police agency does not enforce the laws against distracted driving, it defeats the purpose.

"These laws have to act as a deterrent to keep people from texting on their phones," Keating said. "They have to be punished for behavior that is literally deadly."

Keating said that like drunken driving, distracted driving involves a choice.

"These things don't happen by accident," Keating said. "If they choose to have their phones out and look at social media or text, that's a choice that puts them in a more dangerous mind-set than they otherwise would be."

"That's unfortunately not that far off from someone who consumes too many drinks."

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Transportation song quiz

■ Last week's song has a scene in a train station but starts in a shadowy room. The song is "White Room" by Cream. Marcia MacCallum of Racine, Wis., was first with the right answer.

■ This is a song about a rotten driver, taking chances, never looking left or right. It's from someone who also sang about space travel. What's the song, and who did it? The first person with the right answer gets a 2016 Tribune celebrating the Cubs' World Series win.



Chicago tickets for using a phone without a hands-free device fell to 297 in 2018 from 45,000-plus in 2014. In 2015, a state law change meant officers had to go to traffic court.

Last-day-of-March sunshine



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Ernest Dobbs, 47, takes chess outdoors in the East Garfield Park neighborhood on Sunday.

IG: Official tried to 'kill' low-income apartments

Tinley Park project prompted lawsuit over discrimination

BY MIKE NOLAN

Daily Southtown

Initially an advocate of a controversial low-income apartment project that embroiled Tinley Park in a federal discrimination lawsuit, Mayor Jacob Vandenberg, a village trustee at the time, tried to "kill" the development and made a village employee a scapegoat, according to a report by the Cook County sheriff's Inspector General obtained by the Daily Southtown.

Vandenberg told the village's planning director at the time, Amy Connolly, to advise the village's Plan Commission and other village trustees to quash the affordable housing project, called The Reserve, after residents protested, according to the report obtained through a public records request. The report indicates that Connolly, who was later fired, did not go along with the request.

The report said the then-trustee campaigned against the project following a Daily Southtown article that indicated rents in the 47-unit building would range from \$400 to \$1,500.

Vandenberg, elected trustee four years ago and then mayor in 2017, said Thursday he has not seen the document and declined comment.

"As of this moment the Cook County Sheriff's Office has neither sent to me or to the Village of Tinley Park any report regarding the Buckeye Community Hope Development," he said via text message in response to a request for comment. "I was never interviewed by any representative of the Cook County Sheriff's Office nor have I ever read any portion of any draft or incomplete report."

"I understand my political opponents may have a draft of the incomplete report which they are using portions of to further their political agenda. I cannot and will not comment any further on the report that even Sheriff Tom Dart has not put his signature on," Vandenberg added.

The village asked the inspector general in March 2016 to review its handling of The Reserve after the Plan Commission tabled a vote that could have given a green light to the project.

The development was never reconsidered, and Tinley Park was sued by The Reserve's developer and the U.S. Department of Justice, alleging the village was in violation of the federal Fair Housing Act.

Both lawsuits have since been settled, along with a complaint Connolly brought against the village after she was fired.

Sheriff's investigators reviewed documents, inspected village computers, and interviewed several village employees and Plan Commission members.

The investigation was suspended once the Justice Department began its own probe in early summer 2016. The Justice Department filed its Fair Housing lawsuit a few months later, in November 2016. A spokeswoman for the sheriff's department said the office is "evaluating possible next steps" as to whether it will resume its investigation.

At the time the inspector general was asked to launch its probe, there were allegations that village development codes and guidelines were circumvented to favor the developer of The Reserve. Those interviewed for the report said they saw no evidence of improprieties in the review process for the project.

At the Plan Commission meeting in February 2016, shortly after the Daily Southtown article was published, Vandenberg said key information about the project was kept from trustees and alleged "back-door maneuvering" to push through the project, according to a Southtown article. Under development guidelines in place at the time, The Reserve would not have needed to go to the Village Board for approval if the Plan Commission deemed the project in compliance, according to articles published at the time.

Vandenberg at the time said he was reviewing more than 2,500 emails related to The Reserve and said some of the correspondence was "improper." He called for an independent investigation for a review of the interaction between village staff and the developer.

As part of its investigation, the inspector general report said a laptop computer used by the village's planning department was turned over to a lab for analysis, and that there were "numerous emails" involving The Reserve that were reviewed and "found to be consistent with documents submitted by the developer in pursuit of obtaining village approval" for the 47-unit apartment building, according to the report.

The report notes that initial discussions between the developer and village staff regarding the project began in early March 2015.

Virtually all those interviewed during the investigation said the development was receiving generally supportive and favorable reviews by staff and village planners until a Daily Southtown article in late January 2016.

The article noted that the development, proposed for the northeast corner of Oak Park Avenue and 183rd Street, would offer apartments with estimated monthly rents of between \$400 and \$1,500, and most would be for low- and moderate-income renters.

What followed was a firestorm of protest from residents, who packed a Village Board meeting two days before the Plan Commission's scheduled vote saying the village didn't need an affordable housing development. At that meeting, Vandenberg said he would seek to have the Plan Commission postpone a vote on The Reserve and that he didn't "believe there is a need for a large influx of affordable housing in our community."

Vitriolic and racially tinged remarks were posted on social media. The Justice Department, in its lawsuit, accused village officials of bowing to public pressure and racist comments in not approving the project.

Connolly was placed on administrative leave in February 2016 and fired in May of that year. She filed a complaint in January 2017 with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development alleging retaliation on the part of village officials. The village sued her in May 2017.

Tinley Park last summer ap-

proved a settlement of the Justice Department lawsuit and litigation with Connolly, with the village contributing \$85,000 toward a total payout of \$360,000, but not admitting any liability or wrongdoing.

A separate April 2017 settlement of a lawsuit filed against the village by Buckeye Community Hope Foundation, which proposed building The Reserve and sued the village in federal court in April 2016, totaled \$2.45 million. The terms called for Tinley Park paying Buckeye \$75,392 from the village's general fund, with another \$684,608 coming from a legal settlement fund held on the village's behalf by its insurer at the time, the Intergovernmental Risk Management Association. IRMA also paid another \$1.69 million out of its own fund toward the settlement.

In an April 2016 interview, Connolly said that prior to the Daily Southtown article Vandenberg had been supportive of the project, according to the report.

After the article appeared, however, Vandenberg "told her to kill The Reserve Project and to advise the Planning Commissioners and trustees to do the same," according to the report.

At the time the project was being considered, Vandenberg chaired the Village Board's planning and zoning committee.

Rita Walker, who was chairman of the village's Plan Commission at the time told an investigator that she had talked with Connolly who relayed to her that Vandenberg instructed Connolly to contact Plan Commission members and have them either reject the project or not vote on it.

Walker said it was common practice for her to meet with Connolly before a Plan Commission meeting, and that she saw Vandenberg in Connolly's office a few days before the project vote was tabled, according to the report. Walker said that Connolly said she wouldn't do what the trustee had asked of her, according to Walker's interview documented in the report.

In her interview, Walker told an investigator that Vandenberg and other trustees knew The Reserve was going to be an affordable housing development. Walker said "Vandenberg changed his position and threw Ms. Connolly under the bus blaming her for some type of deceit," according to the report.

Walker wasn't able to attend the Feb. 4 meeting, and she and six other Plan Commission members resigned shortly afterward. In her interview, Walker said commissioners quit "because they did not want to be involved in the political backlash."

Then-village attorney Thomas Melody advised village officials, Plan Commission members and the Village Board that, if The Reserve was in compliance with development codes, "it cannot be turned down because it is low-income housing," according to the report.

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Alternative to the knife for your knee pain? Non-Surgical treatment success rate soars after using new digital technology

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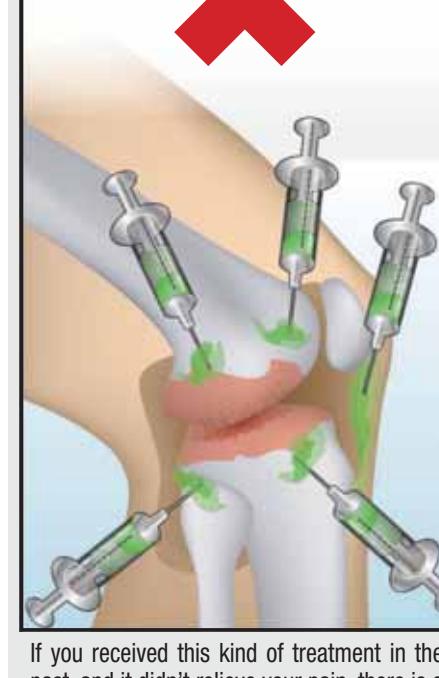
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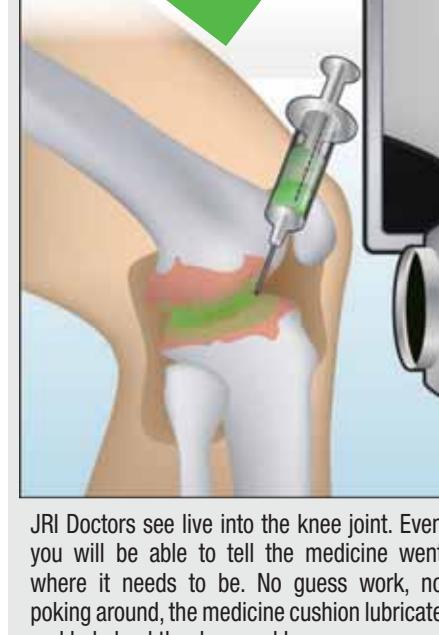
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Homicides, shootings down in 1st quarter

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ably larger populations.

Yet through March 24, New York has seen its homicides rise 14 percent to 65, just one less than Chicago has reported with its 38 percent decline from 106 in the year-earlier period.

The first-quarter numbers continue the double-digit declines seen in both 2018 and 2017 after the disastrous 2016 results when more than 760 people were killed and in excess of 4,300 were shot across the city.

Criminologists caution against reading too much into fluctuations in crime statistics from year to year. The first three months of the year typically are the least violent because the city's cold, snowy winters limit opportunities for gang disputes and other beefs to erupt outdoors.

But Howard and other department officials credit the improvements to technology gains; the boost in staffing to about 13,400 officers, up some 1,000 since 2016; assistance from specialized police units; and more concerted efforts to increase community support. Officers, for instance, are attending meetings hosted by local aldermen to act on residents' concerns about quality-of-life issues such as abandoned buildings and drug sales, he said.

On the technology front, the department now has nerve centers in all but two districts. Equipped with large TV screens displaying crime maps and surveillance video, the centers analyze computerized shooting data in real time to determine where best to dispatch officers. ShotSpotter helps pinpoint the location of gunfire.

The department is also making more use of electronic license plate readers, adding 200 of them to its fleet of police vehicles to help combat carjackings and auto thefts. Just last week, the department touted their use in helping solve the killing of off-duty Officer John P. Rivera.

With ShotSpotter, police said it often takes only a minute or so to alert officers to the location of gunshots. Often, callers to 911 then give a description of the gunman. Officers in the center then activate police surveillance cameras in the area in hopes of spotting the suspect — and pass on any information to responding officers.

If an arrest is made, the center tries to figure out the likelihood of a retaliation shooting.

Officer Steve Rusanov, who until recently worked in the Calumet District's nerve center, said he believes those efforts are contributing to the drop in shootings in the district, which covers neighborhoods such as Roseland and West Pullman.

The center will try to be "proactive" by deploying officers to the shooting scene to tamp down on any possible retaliation, Rusanov said.

Community organizations have been stepping up their efforts to combat violence in the area as well.

Since last summer, Chicago CRED, an anti-violence organization, has used outreach workers and mental health technicians to try to forge relationships with about 70 residents — mostly males aged 17 to 30 — who are among the most likely to be the victims or instigators of violence in the Calumet District.

"We're really starting to see some dividends," said Jalon Arthur, the group's director of strategic services. "We're seeing the back-and-forth between those guys are starting to actually slow down in a drastic fashion."

The outreach workers — who live in Roseland and West Pullman as well — mediate conflicts to try to prevent shootings or retaliation.

"Everywhere we go, somebody is going to recognize one or two of our outreach workers that are from those areas," Arthur said. "That helps with the trust barrier."

Diane Latiker, head of the West Pullman-based Kids Off the Block, said different community groups in the Calumet District have been working together, often overseeing the same youths most vulnerable to the violence.

"We're not violence-free," she said. "But we are so much better... because we hit those streets, we make sure we keep up with those young people and we partner with the Police Department."

With warmer weather approaching, Latiker said, her next goal is to ensure the youths she oversees take part in a summer basketball league and find summer jobs.



Toni Preckwinkle greets attendees at a rally at the People's Church of the Harvest in Chicago on Sunday.

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Lori Lightfoot embraces 100-year-old supporter Guadalupe Nicolie at a campaign office in Greater Grand Crossing on Sunday.

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Mayoral candidates sweep city

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borhoods. Her schedule showed no visits to the city's predominantly white wards.

No matter the neighborhood, the candidates' succinct stump messages were well-honed.

Lightfoot, a former partner at law firm Mayer Brown, stressed it's time to finally crush the Chicago machine and usher change into City Hall. Preckwinkle emphasized Chicagoans are best off electing an experienced leader, because mayor is a difficult position that faces tough challenges.

"The forces of the status quo

are tough. The machine was built to last," Lightfoot told supporters at a canvass kickoff Sunday in South Shore. "But we can overcome it if we unite together with our brothers and sisters all over this city and speak in one clear voice that change is coming."

As Lightfoot channeled change, Preckwinkle warned against electing a corporate lawyer who is seeking public office for the first time.

"Are we going to have somebody in the mayor's office who spent their life in public service, or somebody who's spent their life protecting the powerful against the people?" Preckwinkle told a crowd of supporters Saturday at a West Garfield Park field office. "Are we going to have somebody in office who has had experience as a local elected official and managing a large organization, or somebody who is a newcomer and has never held office before?"

"It's not an entry-level position!" one volunteer replied, shouting one of Preckwinkle's go-to lines of the campaign.

With both self-proclaimed progressives holding similar positions on a number of issues, the race largely has boiled down to experience versus change. There were, however, dueling messages of another kind during the campaign's final weekend.

With the perception that Lightfoot holds a commanding lead in the race, the former federal prosecutor and her surrogates urged her supporters not to get complacent. "I don't care what the polls say, we cannot leave a stone unturned," U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly said in South Shore, with her endorsed candidate Lightfoot by her side. "We have to do everything we can do. We have to run like we are behind. Don't take anything for granted."

Meanwhile, Preckwinkle's top allies kept encouraging voters to ignore talk of endorsements and polls, of which there have been few, and focus on turning out in big numbers for the Cook County Board president. "It's not the numbers that you see in those polls, it's the heart of the people

that we have to know and be concerned and working with," West Side Ald. Jason Ervin, 28, said at an event for Preckwinkle in Fifth City. "Don't let the polls drive you to a decision that's not where you want to be. We have to vote with our hearts, vote with what we know is going to be right and is going to be best for our community."

Throughout the weekend, Lightfoot encouraged Chicagoans to vote for change while contrasting herself against Preckwinkle's longtime ties to the Democratic establishment.

That included a stop Saturday night at Loncar's, a beloved dive bar in South Chicago, a neighborhood that was once booming

part of town that's been decimated by the loss of steel mill jobs and has been the site of much environmental pollution.

"I know what it feels like to struggle, to live paycheck to paycheck and worry about whether or not you're going to be able to pay your bills, pay your rent, make sure the utilities are (paid)," Lightfoot said in reference to her childhood as she stood behind the bar. "Areas like this have not been made a priority, and we need to change that, but the way we're going to get there is not by voting for the same old same old. We need change in our city."

On Saturday morning, Lightfoot joined Ald. Tom Tunney, 44th, at his Ann Sather restaurant in Lakeview, where Tunney, who had been waiting tables, walked her through two crowded rooms and the kitchen. Introducing her at one table, Tunney asked,

"Which is more important, food or meeting Ms. Lightfoot?"

Lightfoot interjected, "They're like, Food, of course! It's Saturday morning. We were out last night!" The diners laughed, and Lightfoot worked her way around the room, shaking every patron's hand and taking selfies.

The former president of the Chicago Police Board also visited Chinatown, where retired Chicago Public Schools administrator Anita Lau, 70, led Lightfoot and other Chinese community members on a tour through Chinatown's mall.

"We bring the Lightfoot in!" she yelled as they walked into one restaurant. Lau also guided Lightfoot into the B2 Salon, where Yi Zhang stopped the candidate to tell her he had "long admired" her work. The two posed for a photo, with Zhang still wearing a smock and his haircut still in progress.

"When you compare the two candidates, Lori and Toni, Toni has been president of Cook County for many years, and I personally haven't seen much difference she's brought in," Zhang, a 36-year-old consultant

who lives in the Loop said when asked why he backed Lightfoot.

"The real issue is we have structural issues on pensions, a lot of social issues to address, so it's really time to have a leader with fresh ideas who can bring change to the city. Lori is the best candidate to bring change and ideas to the city."

On Saturday morning, Preckwinkle visited Humboldt Park, part of the only ward north of Madison Street she carried in the February election. There, Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa and state Rep. Delia Ramirez rallied field operatives over an election the freshman representative described as one that "can feel like life or death for so many of us."

"We have had a mayor for eight years that has not listened to the work that's happening in our communities," said Ramirez-Rosa, 35th. "This is our candidate, this is our moment, this is our movement."

Preckwinkle also spent a chunk of the day visiting various South Side grocery stores, though her campaign didn't publicize them. It did, however, tweet photos of her visiting shoppers at Jewel stores in Brainerd and Grand Crossing, a Food-4-Less in Chatham and the sprawling Walmart in Pullman.

On Sunday, Preckwinkle marched with supporters down a Little Village street but spent much of the day on a tour of West and South Side churches with Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White. As he has done in the past, White urged the crowds to ignore Preckwinkle's unpopular sweetened beverage tax that was repealed in 2017.

"Fuhgeddabout it!" White declared at the Zoe Life Ministries congregation in the South Austin neighborhood. "She's about more than just the sugar tax. That's been done for about two years, and it will not come back. So now, let's move forward."

White later urged congregants at the Greater Harvest Baptist Church in Washington Park to avoid an election like the one that elevated former Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner and President Donald Trump to office.

"We don't want to make another mistake," White said.

Later in the day, U.S. Rep. Danny Davis, Ald. Walter Burnett, Ald. Jason Ervin, city treasurer candidate and state Rep. Melissa Conyears-Ervin and Cook County Commissioner Brandon Johnson joined Preckwinkle and White for what was advertised as the weekend's closing get-out-the-vote rally. The event, though, drew just 60 people scattered in the sanctuary of the People's Church of the Harvest.

"God is in control of what's going to happen here. You're

going to be surprised," said Burnett, 27th. "The numbers are going good, phone banks, people knocking on doors, folks are changing their minds. Folks are recognizing, they are recognizing that we need experienced people in office. That we need folks who are about it, not just talk about it."

On Saturday morning, both candidates visited the Rev. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition to give brief speeches to a crowd of a few hundred people. Preckwinkle arrived out of breath after rushing over from a nearby housing forum but managed to repeat her theme of "experience matters" during her talk.

"You know we live in a beautiful city with some great neighborhoods, but tremendous challenges," Preckwinkle said. "And I know it's going to be a battle to address those challenges, and I want you to know that I'm up for the fight."

At Jackson's request, Lightfoot and Preckwinkle both signed a pledge to hold a unity news conference Wednesday morning after the election.

"Tuesday, the race will be over," Jackson said. "The healing must begin."

The Rev. Al Sharpton, visiting Chicago as Jackson's honorary guest, warned what could happen if the healing doesn't occur.

The New York preacher and talk show host reminded the audience of how black aldermen Eugene Sawyer and Tim Evans feuded to become mayor after the city's first African-American mayor, Harold Washington, died in 1987. Sawyer was appointed mayor with the help of white aldermen, and both ran in 1989 when Richard M. Daley ultimately was elected mayor, defeating Sawyer in the Democratic primary and Evans, who ran under the Harold Washington Party, in the general election.

"It's time to raise our sights above petty politics. That's what got us here now, arguing about a generation or two ago about whether you liked Sawyer or Evans, and we got in such a battle between Sawyer and Evans, you ended up with Daley," Sharpton said. "People can capitalize off your confusion. We need to grow up and show out on Tuesday and turn this city back around."

Asked about the pledge and what she would need to hear from Lightfoot after the election, Preckwinkle responded, "I think the commitment needs to be to work together for the interests of the people of the city of Chicago."

Asked what she'd want to hear from Preckwinkle, Lightfoot offered a more lighthearted answer: "Congratulations, mayor."

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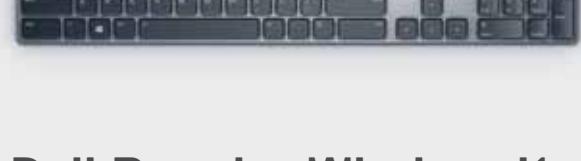
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Biden claims he never acted inappropriately

Female politician accused ex-VP of unwanted advances

BY FELICIA SONMEZ
The Washington Post

Former Vice President Joe Biden defended himself on Sunday after a Nevada Democrat accused him of unwanted touching and kissing in 2014, saying in a statement that he does not believe he has ever acted inappropriately.

Lucy Flores, a former assemblywoman who was Nevada's 2014 Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor, said Friday in an essay published by The Cut that Biden touched and kissed her without her consent before a campaign rally. She said the experience mortified, embarrassed and confused her.

Biden is weighing a 2020 presidential bid.

On Sunday, he said he had offered "countless handshakes, hugs, expressions of affection, support and comfort" during his years in public life, "and not once — never — did I believe I acted inappropriately."

"If it is suggested I did so, I will listen respectfully. But it was never my intention," Biden said in a statement. "I may not recall these moments the same way, and I may be surprised at what I hear. But we have arrived at an important time when women feel they can and should relate their experiences, and men should pay attention. And I will."

He pointed to his history of hiring "trusted women advisers who challenge me to see different perspectives than my own." And he touted his record of work



Former Nevada assemblywoman Lucy Flores has accused ex-Vice President Joe Biden of unwanted kissing and touching.

on behalf of women's rights, pledging to "continue to speak out on these vitally important issues where there is much more progress to be made and crucial fights that must be waged and won."

In an initial statement Friday, a Biden spokesman said that neither the former vice president nor his staff had "an inkling that Ms. Flores had been at any time uncomfortable, nor do they recall what she describes."

Flores said Sunday that Biden's new statement was an improvement and she is glad he is "willing to listen." But she added it was concerning that he does not think he has ever acted inappropriately.

"Frankly, I think that's a little bit of a disconnect. ... Of course I want him to change his behavior, and I want him to acknowledge

that it was wrong," Flores said in an interview on CNN's "State of the Union."

Asked whether Biden's behavior should disqualify him from the presidential race, Flores replied, "For me, it's disqualifying. I think it's up to everybody else to make that decision."

In her piece in The Cut, Flores said Biden approached her from behind during the 2014 incident, placed his hands on her shoulders, moved closer to her and planted a "big slow kiss" on the back of her head. She said Sunday that his behavior had made her feel "powerless" and "like I couldn't move."

"To have the vice president of the United States do that to me, so unexpectedly, and kind of out of nowhere, it was shocking," she said on CNN. "You don't expect that kind of intimate behav-

ior, that kind of intimacy, from someone so powerful. ... So I, frankly, I didn't even know how to react."

Over the years, Biden has been captured in numerous images and videos embracing, kissing and standing close to women. Biden himself made note of his behavior during a March 16 speech in Dover, Del., in which he referred to himself as a "tactile politician."

"I always have been, and that gets me in trouble as well, because I think I can feel and taste what is going on," he told the crowd.

The renewed focus on Biden's behavior comes as he is under increasing pressure from women's rights groups, prominent African American leaders and other supporters of Anita Hill to acknowledge his personal responsibility for his handling of the 1991 confirmation hearing of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

Some have criticized Biden's remarks about Hill last week at an event in New York, where he said he still regretted that he "couldn't come up with a way to get her the kind of hearing she deserved."

As chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Biden refused to allow testimony from sexual harassment experts and additional witnesses who could have supported Hill's account.

Critics also argue that he could have done more to rebuke senators who questioned Hill inappropriately.

Several Democrats said Sunday that they believed Flores' account but stopped short of calling on Biden to stay out of the White House race.

"Certainly one allegation is not disqualifying, but it should be taken seriously," Senate Minority Whip Richard Durbin, D-Ill., said on NBC News' "Meet the Press."

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., who is pursuing a 2020 White House bid as a Democrat, said on CBS News' "Face the Nation" that he had "no reason not to believe" Flores. Asked whether Flores' account was sufficient to prevent Biden from joining the 2020 race, Sanders said, "That's a decision for the vice president to make. I'm not sure that one incident alone disqualifies anybody."

Two other 2020 Democratic contenders, Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts and former housing and urban development secretary and San Antonio Mayor Julián Castro, made similar remarks on Saturday.

"I believe Lucy Flores. And Joe Biden needs to give an answer," Warren told reporters in Iowa. Asked whether Biden should pass on running in 2020, she replied, "That's for Joe Biden to decide."

White House counselor Kellyanne Conway, meanwhile, argued that Biden "has a big problem here."

"He calls it affection and handshakes. His party calls it completely inappropriate," Conway said on "Fox News Sunday."

Asked about the allegations of sexual misconduct facing President Donald Trump, Conway demurred. "We've certainly covered that during the campaign ad infinitum. ... Now (those accusers) have to really grapple with what's going on in their own party," she said.

Blood cancer therapy shows wider promise against solid tumors

BY MARILYN MARCHIONE
Associated Press

ATLANTA — A treatment that helps the immune system fight deadly blood cancers is showing early signs of promise against some solid tumors, giving hope that this approach might be extended to more common cancers in the future.

The treatment, called CAR-T therapy, involves genetically modifying some of a patient's own cells to help them recognize and attack cancer.

Richard Carlstrand of Long Key, Fla., had it more than a year ago for mesothelioma, an aggressive cancer of the lining of the lungs.

"We were going into unknown territories" to try this, he said, but now he shows no sign of cancer and, "I couldn't be happier."

Results on his and other cases were discussed Sunday at an American Association for Cancer Research conference in Atlanta.

The first CAR-T therapies were approved in 2017

for some leukemias and lymphomas. After being altered in the lab, the modified immune system cells are returned to the patient through an IV, which puts them right where the cancer is — in the blood.

But that approach doesn't work well if the cells have to travel far through the bloodstream to get to tumors in the lung, breast, colon, or other places.

Solid tumors are notorious for not letting the immune cells enter, and not enough may make it in to have an effect, said Dr. Prasad Adusumilli of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

A bigger worry is that the proteins on solid tumor cells that these therapies target also are found on normal cells at lower levels, so the therapy might harm them, too.

Adusumilli helped design a new CAR-T to try to avoid these problems and tested it on 19 patients with mesothelioma and two others with lung and breast cancer, respectively, that had spread to the chest

lining. About 150,000 patients in the U.S. each year face this situation.

The modified cells were injected directly into the chest where the tumors were.

A genetic safety switch was added so a medicine could be given to destroy the cells if they caused harm.

After the therapy, one patient was able to have surgery and radiation, and is doing well 20 months later with no further treatment.

Fifteen others were well enough to start on a drug that boosts the immune system in a different way.

Eleven of the 15 have been studied long enough to report results. Two had signs of cancer disappear for about a year, although one later relapsed. Six saw their tumors shrink. Three saw their cancer worsen.

There were no severe side effects although some patients had temporarily low blood counts and fatigue.

Grants from the federal government and foundations paid for the work and



Richard Carlstrand, who underwent immunotherapy treatment for mesothelioma, says he now has no sign of cancer thanks to the medical breakthrough.

a larger study is planned. Sloan Kettering has licensed the treatment to Atara Biotherapeutics and may get payments from it, as may Adusumilli.

A second study tested a different CAR-T therapy in 10 children and adults with advanced sarcomas — cancers that originate in various soft tissues or bones.

Unlike other CAR-Ts that are usually given just once,

this one was given multiple times, up to 15 in one patient's case, if there were signs it was helping.

"From a single blood draw we make a large amount of the CAR-T cells and then we freeze them" and give them through an IV as needed, said Dr. Shoba Navai of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Two of the 10 patients had all signs of cancer disappear, one for 17 months and the other for nearly three years, so far.

Three others had their disease stabilized. Five worsened despite treatment.

Several foundations and charities paid for the work.

"These studies are showing there may be a path forward in solid tumors" with CAR-T therapies, said Dr. Louis Weiner, director of the Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center and one of the conference leaders. It may hold promise for some cancers of the stomach, breast, colon, lung and other areas, he said.

Cost is a big issue — current CAR-T therapies are around \$400,000 but can be made for far less than that in research centers.

Trial to begin for Minneapolis cop in fatal shooting of woman

BY AMY FORLITI
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — A Minneapolis police officer is set to stand trial for the fatal shooting of an unarmed Australian woman who had called 911 to report a possible sexual assault happening in the alley behind her home. Mohamed Noor, who was fired after the July 2017 shooting, is charged with murder in the death of Justine Ruszczyk Damond.

Here are some key el-

ements as jury selection begins Monday:

Noor, 33, shot Damond after she approached his police cruiser. Damond, a 40-year-old life coach and dual Australian-American citizen, had called 911 to report a possible assault.

Officer Matthew Harrity was driving that night and told investigators he heard a voice and a thump and caught a glimpse of someone outside his window. Harrity said he was startled and thought his life was in danger. He said he heard a

sound and looked over to see that Noor had fired past him through the driver's side window, hitting Damond.

Noor refused to talk to investigators. He was fired after he was charged but is appealing his termination.

Noor, who is Somali American, was charged with second-degree intentional murder, third-degree murder and

second-degree manslaughter. The most serious charge, second-degree murder, carries a presumptive sentence of more than 25 years in prison.

Minnesota law allows police officers to use deadly force to protect themselves or their partners from death or great bodily harm, however prosecutors have said there was no evidence that Noor faced

such a threat. Noor's attorneys, though, intend to argue that he acted reasonably in self-defense.

Susan Gaertner, a former Minnesota prosecutor now in private practice who has no connection to the case, said it's difficult to prove that an officer acted unreasonably when making a split-second decision.

"These are tough, tough cases," she said.

Noor's partner is expected to testify, along with several experts on forensics and the use of force by

Damond's fiance, Don Damond, is also expected to testify. He was out of town on the night Justine was killed, but he spoke to her by phone while she was waiting for the police.

Noor's attorneys haven't said whether he will testify. If he does, prosecutors may be able to introduce some evidence that the defense wanted to keep out of the state's case, including that he refused to speak to investigators.

The trial is expected to last for weeks.

Noor



OLIVIER DOULIERY/TNS, FROM LEFT, WASHINGTON POST AND MANUEL BALCE CENETA/AP

White House counselor Kellyanne Conway, Acting Chief of Staff Mick Mulvaney and Sen. Tom Barrasso, R-Wyo., all said on Sunday talk shows that a Republican plan to replace Obamacare is in the works.



GOP says it's 'working on a plan' to replace Obamacare

BY FELICIA SONMEZ
The Washington Post

White House counselor Kellyanne Conway maintained Sunday that Republicans are "working on a plan" for replacing the Affordable Care Act, days after President Donald Trump surprised members on both sides of the aisle when he declared that the Republican Party "will soon be known as the party of health care."

In an appearance on "Fox News Sunday," Conway told host Chris Wallace, "The Republican plan is manifold." But she did not provide specifics, instead going on to attack Democrats over the "Medicare for All" proposal that some in their party have embraced.

Asked by Wallace about criticism that there is currently no GOP plan, Conway pushed back.

"There is a plan," she said. "We've been working on a plan for a long time. And we hope that Congress would come along."

"Right, nine years, but you've never actually come up with a whole plan," Wallace responded.

"Well, Donald Trump has been president for two

years," Conway said. "So, give us a chance ... We are working on a plan at the White House."

Despite Conway's assertions, Republicans don't intend to craft a new health care plan, fearing the potential political damage that such a proposal could cause in 2020, numerous GOP lawmakers, legislative staffers and administration aides told The Washington Post.

Senate Republicans, who were caught off guard by Trump's rapid shift to focus on health care last week, have said the White House would need to make the first move by putting forward its own proposal. But administration officials told The Post that nothing firm is in the works.

In a court filing last month, the Justice Department argued that the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, should be thrown out in its entirety, including provisions protecting millions of Americans who have pre-existing health conditions and allowing young adults to stay on their parents' health-care plans.

Acting White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney argued Sunday that

the Trump administration does, in fact, support protections for those with pre-existing conditions.

"The debate about pre-existing conditions is over," Mulvaney said on ABC News' "This Week." "Both parties support them, and anyone telling you anything different is lying to you for political gain. Pre-existing conditions are going to be covered. The debate becomes, how do you best do it?"

In an appearance on NBC News' "Meet the Press," Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., also fielded questions.

"Should the American people expect an actual health care plan alternative from the Republican Party this year?" host Chuck Todd asked.

Barrasso did not answer directly, saying only that Americans "should expect to not have to be burdened with the incredible costs that are affecting them now as a result of the health care law."

After Todd continued to press him, Barrasso replied, "I've been working on a plan since the day I got to the Senate."

"Twelve years now," Todd responded.



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Comedian and presidential hopeful Volodymyr Zelenskiy appealed to dissatisfied voters.

Exit poll: Comedian leads in 1st round of Ukraine election

BY YURAS KARMAU
Associated Press

opinion organization. Poroshenko tallied with 17.8 percent support and Tymoshenko had 14.2 percent, it said. The poll claimed a margin of error of 2.5 percentage points.

The top two candidates will face off in presidential runoff April 21. Final results in Sunday's first round are expected to be announced Monday morning.

Zelenskiy has shown us on the screen what a real president should be like," said voter Tatiana Zinchenko, 30, who cast her ballot for the comedian. "He showed what the state leader should aspire for — fight corruption by deeds, not words, help the poor, control the oligarchs."

Campaign issues in the country of 42 million included Ukraine's endemic corruption, its struggling economy and a seemingly intractable conflict with Russia-backed separatists in eastern Ukraine that has killed 13,000 people since 2014.

Concern about the election's legitimacy have spiked in recent days after Ukraine's interior minister said his department was "showered" with hundreds of claims that supporters of Poroshenko and Tymoshenko had offered money in exchange for

votes. Like the popular character he plays, Zelenskiy, 41, made corruption a focus of his candidacy. He proposed a lifetime ban on holding public office for anyone convicted of graft.

"A new life, a normal life is starting," Zelenskiy said after casting his ballot in Kiev. "A life without corruption, without bribes."

His lack of political experience helped his popularity with voters amid broad disillusionment with the country's political elite.

Poroshenko, 53, a confectionery tycoon when he was elected five years ago, pushed successfully for the Ukrainian Orthodox Church to be recognized as self-standing rather than a branch of the Russian church.

However, he saw approval of his governing sink amid Ukraine's economic woes and a sharp plunge in living standards.

Ukraine's former prime minister, Tymoshenko, shaped her message around the economic distress of millions in the country.

"Ukraine has sunk into poverty and corruption during the last five years, but every Ukrainian can put an end to it now," she said after voting Sunday.

Border

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measure that would have immediate consequences not only for families seeking asylum but also for trade and commerce between the United States and Mexico. Mexico is the third-largest trading partner of the United States, with more than \$61 billion in cross-border trade last year, according to the Commerce Department. At the port of Calexico East, Calif., more than 1,000 trucks cross the border each day. Laredo, Texas, sees more than 11 trains each day transit the border, according to the U.S. Transportation Department.

If the border closure applied to goods and vehicles as well as people, the economic consequences would be immediate and severe, with automakers and American farmers among the first to feel the pain, according to trade specialists.

"It's unworkable and unrealistic, and I don't think he could really do it," Rufus Yerxa, president of the National Foreign Trade Council, which represents multinational corporations, said Sunday.

Suddenly closing the flow of people and goods between the United States and Mexico would interrupt the flow of parts headed to American factories, which could bring some production to a halt. Likewise, refrigerated trucks full of beef and other perishable commodities would jam border crossings.

To deal with "an unprecedented humanitarian and border security crisis all along our Southwest border," the agency said it had redeployed 750 border agents.

Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., appearing on NBC News' "Meet the Press," said, "When the president says he's going to close the border, that is a totally unrealistic boast on his part. What we need to do is focus on what's happening in Central America."



JUSTIN SULLIVAN/GTETY

A memorial in Columbus, N.M., near the U.S.-Mexico border, which President Trump has threatened to shut down.

Durbin said the government needs to prioritize the humanitarian crisis unfolding along the U.S.-Mexico border:

"The first thing we need to do is meet the humanitarian needs at the border instead of building fences two or three years in the future by taking money from Department of Defense, focus on facilities to serve these families so that there aren't children who are hurt and dying as a result of this situation."

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., a 2020 presidential candidate, said on CBS News' "Face the Nation" that there is a "terrible humanitarian crisis" at the border and that the United States needs comprehensive immigration reform.

He added, "We need to make sure that our borders are secure, but also we need a humane policy at the border in which we are not

yanking tiny children from the arms of their mothers."

Under U.S. law, people who reach the U.S. border are entitled to request asylum. But in recent months,

the number of arrivals has spiked and is now at about 100,000 people a month. This has overwhelmed the system. The immigration courts have backlog of hundreds of thousands of cases.

Trump continues to

press for a border wall and wants to take money from military projects to build new barriers. Democrats have pushed for facilities to handle incoming families and have excoriated the Trump administration for separating migrant children from their parents under a now-rescinded policy.

Mexico's leftist government has addressed the migrant caravans by offering thousands of short-term humanitarian visas allowing migrants to live and work in the country. In a remarkable concession, it agreed to a Trump administration request to host migrants who are undergoing U.S. asylum proceedings, a controversial program dubbed "Remain in Mexico."

So far this year, Mexico has deported roughly 25,000 Central Americans, according to its immigration agency.

Jim Nealon, a former U.S. ambassador to Honduras, said Trump didn't seem to understand that Central American countries were already working with the United States to discourage the flow of migrants.

"But they can't prevent their citizens from leaving their countries any more than (Trump) can prevent citizens from leaving the U.S.," Nealon said.

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Staff and news services

Fire burns thousands of acres in N.J.'s Pine Barrens forest

CHATSWORTH, N.J. — Authorities say fire whipped by high winds has spread over thousands of acres of state land in New Jersey's Pine Barrens, a forested area of coastal plain that stretches more than 1 million acres.

State environmental protection department officials say the blaze was reported Saturday afternoon in Penn State Forest in Woodland Township.

Department spokesman Larry Hajna said

Sunday afternoon the blaze had grown to 10,000 acres with about 75 percent containment. Officials said smoke was visible from as far as Freehold, about 40 miles away.

Hajna says a portion of Route 72, the main road across the Pinelands, has been closed. No homes or businesses are endangered and no injuries or evacuations have been reported. The cause of the blaze is under investigation.

Israel-Hamas cease-fire holds; fishing, other restrictions lifted

JERUSALEM — A cease fire appeared to take hold between Israel and Gaza's Hamas rulers on Sunday, with Israel expanding the permitted fishing zone and easing some tight restrictions on movement through its two main crossings with the Palestinian enclave.

Egyptian mediators have worked in recent days to broker a cease-fire agreement, but talks have been repeatedly inter-

rupted by Palestinian rocket attacks and Israeli military reprisals. The violence has heightened tensions just over a week before Israeli elections.

In a sign that Egyptian efforts have made progress, the Gaza fishermen's committee said Israel would be extending the permitted fishing zone along the coast to a maximum of 15 nautical miles, up from the previous limit of 9 nautical miles.

Ken Gibson, 1st black mayor of major Northeast city, dies at 86

NEWARK, N.J. — Ken Gibson, who became the first black mayor of a major Northeast city when he ascended to power in riot-torn Newark almost five decades ago, died. He was 86.

NJ.com reported that Gibson, who died Friday, served as the city's mayor from 1970 to 1986, helping establish a foundation for black political power.

"He always thought that if you could help

somebody, then that's what you should do," his wife, Camille Gibson, told NJ Advance Media.

Elected three summers after the devastating 1967 riots, Gibson is credited with stabilizing the city's finances.

"He gets a lot of credit for holding things together when things could have easily fallen apart," said the late Bob Curvin, who spearheaded Gibson's 1970 campaign.



Brazil protest: People holding pictures of those killed or missing during the 1964-1985 dictatorship demonstrate Sunday on the 55th anniversary of the military coup, at Ibirapuera Park in Sao Paulo.

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N.Y. bans single-use plastic bags; to OK tolls in Manhattan

ALBANY, N.Y. — New York's Democratic-controlled Legislature on Sunday passed a statewide ban on single-use plastic bags and planned to approve tolls for driving into the busiest sections of Manhattan starting in 2021 as part of a \$175.5 billion state budget agreement worked out with Gov. Andrew Cuomo.

The Assembly and Senate passed the plastic bag ban legislation Sunday afternoon to start what was expected to be an all-day session that could spill into early Monday, when the spending plan for the 2019-

2020 state fiscal year is due to be in place.

Other agreements in the budget include the closure of up to three yet-to-be-determined state prisons, eliminating cash bail for misdemeanor and nonviolent felony arrests, a permanent, annual 2 percent cap on local property taxes, and another \$1 billion for public education.

"This budget is probably the strongest progressive statement that we've made," Cuomo told reporters Sunday. "If you have big problems, it calls for big solutions."

In an agreement reached

earlier last week but not officially announced until Sunday, most single-use plastic bags provided by supermarkets and other stores will be banned statewide starting March 1, 2020. Individual counties will have the option of charging 5 cents for paper bags, with 2 cents going to local governments and 3 cents to the state's Environmental Protection Fund.

New York would be just the third state with a statewide ban. California's ban has been in place since 2016. All of Hawaii's counties ban plastic bags but it's not a state-mandated ban.

Heavy rainstorm leaves 25 dead in southern Nepal

KATHMANDU, Nepal — A rainstorm swept through southern Nepal on Sunday, leaving at least 25 people dead and hundreds more injured, officials said.

Nepal's Prime Minister Khadga Prasad Oli in a Twitter message said he received a report of the casualties and 400 injured.

He said security forces have been alerted. Rescue and helicopters with night-vision capabilities were waiting for the weather to clear to help bring the injured from the villages.

Government administrator Rajesh Poudel said the number of deaths would likely increase as the storm

had hit many villages in the Bara district, located about 75 miles south of the capital, Kathmandu.

He said police and army rescuers fanned around the district trying to reach the villages, but rescue efforts were difficult. Roads in many villages were impassable.

Arab League rejects Trump declaration on Golan Heights

TUNIS, Tunisia — The Arab League rejected the U.S. recognition of Israeli control over the Golan Heights and other Trump administration policies seen as unfairly biased toward Israel at an annual summit on Sunday, showcasing unity on one of the few issues that unites the regional bloc.

Arab leaders also reiterated their commitment to resolving the conflict based on the Arab Peace Initiative of 2002, in which they would recognize Israel in return for a full withdrawal from the Golan Heights as well as east Jerusalem and the West Bank, lands occupied in the 1967 war.

This year's Arab League summit, held in Tunisia, comes against a grim backdrop of ongoing wars in Syria and Yemen, rival authorities in Libya and a lingering boycott of Qatar by four fellow League members.

Boeing-FAA: U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., wants Boeing removed from a Federal Aviation Administration rule-making committee as investigations deepen into both the company and regulator's role in two deadline airline crashes.

The leading Senate Democrat said Sunday that Boeing should be suspended from the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee, which makes recommendations on airline industry regulations. He also wants the membership and activities of the committee to be made public and suggested further reforms to the committee.

Congress is looking closely at the relationship between Boeing and the FAA after two recent deadly crashes.

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EDITORIALS

Chicago's election: 'If you don't vote, you lose the right to complain'

As Tuesday's runoff voting for mayoral, aldermanic and treasurer posts approaches, we invoke the nation's third president, Thomas Jefferson:

"We do not have government by the majority. We have government by the majority who participate."

Chicago's a magnificent, knock-your-socks-off city, but it has entrenched problems that hold it back, that keep it from shining brighter. Pension debt menaces City Hall's financial future. Gun violence holds whole neighborhoods hostage. Corruption corrodes trust in government — the "Chicago Way" continues to have real-time relevance to the way this city works.

So much is at stake Tuesday.

Yet on Feb. 26, the first chance Chicagoans had to begin choosing the next city officials to address those problems and many more, anemic 35 percent of voters took time to participate — to exercise not just their right to vote, but their responsibility to vote. That's just a hair above the turnout in the first-round municipal election in 2015 (34 percent), and far worse than the first round in 2011 (42 percent), when Mayor Rahm Emanuel ascended to office. Glaringly absent from the Feb. 26 election were younger voters — only 3.5 percent of votes cast came from voters younger than 25, the Tribune reported.

That scale of apathy won't do, Chicago. Here's what can happen if all of us don't perform better on Tuesday. The public employee unions and machine candidates

will always get their voters out. They have well-oiled strategies for mobilizing their constituents. Let's say you don't count yourself in those camps. Let's say you back our choice for mayor, former federal prosecutor Lori Lightfoot. Unlike her opponent, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, Lightfoot isn't the pick of the powerful Chicago Teachers Union and the Service Employees International Union. So your absence from the polls Tuesday might become something you regret Wednesday. Disengage at your own peril.

In the 15 aldermanic runoffs, reasons abound for voters to turn out. Hot-button issues like affordable housing, gentrification, disinvestment and violent crime thread through those races. In several cases, they pit longtime incumbents against energetic newcomers braced to

chart a different course for the next City Council. Unhappy with how your alderman has been tending to your community? Now's the time to do something about it.

Grousing about politicians is a time-honored pastime for Chicagoans. But those complaints don't mean much if, when citizens have the chance to change City Hall, they punt. Comedian George Carlin put it this way: *"If you don't vote, you lose the right to complain."*

The stewardship of Chicago isn't just in the hands of the mayor, or council. It's in our hands. On Tuesday, show that you take that responsibility seriously. To those voters who took part Feb. 26 and who'll do so again Tuesday, thank you. To those still swaddled in apathy: Heed Thomas Jefferson. Vote. *Participate.*

Repurposing CPS schools: There's life after closings

Rahm Emanuel had been mayor for two years when, in 2013, he announced the closure of nearly 50 elementary schools saddled with shrinking enrollment. A tsunami-scale backlash followed.

Parents complained they were losing the bonds they and their children had created with their schools' teachers, principals and other students. Many families living amid gang violence worried their children would have to cross gang turf lines to get to their new schools. The Chicago Teachers Union called the move "a real horror for people."

What would have been scarier? This: keeping half-empty schools open for a dwindling roster of students, and pouring taxpayer dollars into those schools when that money could improve schoolkids' education elsewhere.

The mayor and the Chicago Board of Education were right to shut those schools. And if, as projected, CPS' enrollment slide continues, either Lori Lightfoot or Toni Preckwinkle would be right to shutter more of Chicago's sparsely attended, underperforming schools with bare-bones course offerings. CPS' latest forecast predicts a continuing enrollment drop of 21,000 students in the next three years.

We understand that schools serve as anchors for communities. Closing them erases a piece of a neighborhood's identity. Job One for Emanuel and



Workers install fencing in front of the closed Stewart Elementary, which was converted into housing.

Chicago Public Schools was to repurpose the shuttered schools, and restore their role as neighborhood hubs.

We've reviewed the latest breakdown on what CPS has done with the 49 school buildings closed in 2013. The upshot: 37 have either been repurposed for another use, sold for repurposing, awaiting a closing of a sale or have been transferred to another government agency for a different use. Twelve buildings have yet to be sold or repurposed.

New or planned uses for shuttered schools that have

been sold run the gamut — job training centers, youth sports hubs, affordable housing, after-school and mentoring programs, and more. CPS appears to be on track getting these buildings on the tax rolls, and ensuring that they should and can have productive new lives is generally accepted by surrounding communities. That said, it's possible that the best solution for an old and exhausted building is to raze it and entice someone to erect a new and productive structure.

When it comes to disinvestment on the South and West sides, repurposing is often the practical recipe for revival. Success stories include the resurrection of the 55-acre complex of buildings in North Lawndale that once served as Sears' original headquarters. Today, many of those buildings serve as affordable housing, a charter school, a community center and office space for community nonprofits.

One of those buildings, the 14-story Nichols Tower, now houses a branch of the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, a program that trains ex-convicts to become beekeepers and the Lawndale Business Renaissance Association, The New

York Times recently reported. "This is a center where a lot of beams of hope are getting shot out," E. Bernard Jennings, the business association's executive director, told the paper.

CPS' experience shows that repurposing a building doesn't require mirroring the previous use — a lesson applicable to other buildings that go empty. Earlier this year, we wrote about the voids when Target left its locations in Chatham and Morgan Park. Yes, South Siders would welcome another retailer. But if that's not feasible, it's incumbent on local aldermen to find other uses for those buildings — other uses that will seed a ripple effect of development in those neighborhoods.

With CPS enrollment dropping fast, Emanuel's successor has to consolidate and close schools. The sooner that happens, the sooner scarce resources can be diverted from half-empty buildings.

Chicagoans rightly worry that the longer they remain unused, the more damage they do to the communities that surround them. But flip that coin over: The next mayor can point to success stories in buildings Emanuel closed. That is, success stories where, when the closings came down in 2013, many neighborhoods saw only doom.

But look around Chicago. There's life after school closings.

As Chicago's April 2 election approaches, you'll find our endorsements at chicagotribune.com/endorsements, the candidates' survey responses at chicagotribune.com/candidates, and all Tribune opinion content on the runoff at chicagotribune.com/runoff.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

By indulging Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in his quest for permanent Israeli control over the West Bank, President Donald Trump, the Congress and the Israel lobby are going to create a situation whereby the Palestinian Authority in the West Bank will eventually collapse.

The Palestinians there will then say to Israel, as some already have, that they want Israeli citizenship.

Israel will then find itself ruling over 2.5 million Palestinians with the choice of either sharing power with them on the basis of equality or systematically denying it to them.

When that happens, the debate over what Israel should do will rip apart every synagogue, Jewish Federation and Jewish institution in America — including AIPAC.

As long as there was a credible two-state solution on the table, that debate was muted. But once that option is gone, all hell will break loose in the Jewish world and between progressives and Israel's supporters on every U.S. college campus. It's already started.

Thomas Friedman,
The New York Times

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City Clerk Anna Valencia will be key to helping the new mayor implement Chicago's New Deal for All Women and Girls.

What 1st female African-American mayor of Chicago can do for girls and women

By SUNNY FISCHER

Chicago will make history this week with the election of the city's first African-American woman as mayor. After the celebration ends, either Lori Lightfoot or Toni Preckwinkle will begin the work of building a Chicago that works for all of us.

At the Chicago Foundation for Women, we know that when you invest in women and girls, whole communities and our entire region are made stronger, safer, healthier and more prosperous. As she sets her agenda, we encourage the new mayor to utilize a gender lens to address the implications of any policy on women and girls of every race and ethnicity, gender expression, citizenship status, faith and ability level. And we urge her to act decisively on these priorities for women and girls:

1. Work with City Clerk Anna Valencia

on the implementation of Chicago's New Deal for All Women and Girls, recommendations developed by a working group of nonprofit, philanthropic and civic leaders and girls from across the city. The recommendations include making Chicago Public Schools a model for comprehensive health and sex education; improving sexual assault evidence collection practices; supporting fair and predictable scheduling; and a citywide Girls Summit.

2. The city can create more good-paying opportunities for trades-women

by increasing its commitment to hiring diverse women, investing in trades education, and encouraging a commitment to hiring diverse women for new development projects and city contracts. Chicago Women in Trades estimates Chicago will see \$40 billion

in new construction projects in the near future. The trades offer a growing path to a middle-class income and benefits without a college degree, but women hold only 3 percent of Illinois' roughly 220,000 construction jobs.

3. Reducing violence in our communities

must be a top priority, and this includes the violence facing women and girls. According to the Chicago Police Department, there are 1,673 reported incidents of domestic violence per 100,000 women in Chicago. The Department of Justice estimates that this accounts for just over half of the true number of incidents. This seemingly private violence is often a precursor to more public violence. In addition to better preparing officers to respond to violence against women in all forms, from interpersonal to human trafficking, we must invest in supports that help survivors achieve

and maintain safety and security. A new report on gender and poverty from the Heartland Alliance found that half of survivors seeking services in Chicago were not employed and 44 percent had monthly incomes below \$500. Economic security is critical to a survivor's ability to achieve safety. Over 90 percent of women experiencing homelessness are survivors of abuse. Increased investment in short- and long-term housing, financial supports and job training, as well as trauma-informed mental health services can help survivors heal and rebuild their lives after an abusive relationship.

4. Make Chicago the best place for women to work

by instituting a universal minimum wage, guaranteeing fair scheduling and increasing access to affordable child care. According to CFW grantee Women Employed, 59 percent of minimum wage workers are women. Chicago has made strides by improving access to paid sick leave for working parents, but women are disproportionately among workers earning below a living wage. Many are tipped workers legally paid a sub-minimum wage of \$6.25, relying on tips to make up the difference. In addition to economic insecurity, this leaves women vulnerable to sexual harassment — one explanation for why the restaurant industry reports sexual harassment at rates five times higher than the general workforce.

5. Unpredictable and unstable work schedules make it difficult — if not impossible — for working mothers to pay the bills, to schedule child care, classes or a second job, or to care for themselves and their family. We urge the next mayor and City Council to support the Fair Workweek Ordinance to ensure employees are given sufficient notice of their work schedule and protections against the unexpected loss of scheduled hours and income.

We must increase the supply of affordable child care across the city, for the nearly 1 in 3 households in Chicago headed by women and for families in child care deserts without a single licensed child care provider. Expanding early childhood education and preschool would provide a public option for working families.

A generation of Chicago's girls will come of age in a city led by an African-American woman. This must go beyond the symbolic to a specific commitment to improving the lives of women and girls, and building a safe, just and healthy Chicago for all. Chicago's community of women, girls and partners stand ready to work with the next mayor to make Chicago the best place in the country for women and girls.

Sunny Fischer is a co-founder and current interim president and chief executive officer of the Chicago Foundation for Women.

Media owe no apology to Trump or anyone else for covering Mueller investigation



LEONARD PITTS

Apparently, I am supposed to be embarrassed now.

That, at least, is my interpretation of a few strange tweets and emails that have come my way in the week since Attorney General William Barr issued his summary of special counsel Robert Mueller's report on Donald Trump. One individual wrote: "I noticed that you've released your bite on Trump's ankle now that Mueller couldn't recommend and (sic) indictment." Another, apparently unable to rise to that level of verbal sophistication, simply sent a bunch of LOLs.

The funny thing is, I've actually written very little about the probe into Trump's ties with Russia — and certainly nothing longing for or anticipating its outcome. But the attempt of a few facts-challenged Trump fans — a tautology, I know — to taunt me over Mueller's reported inability to prove Trump or his campaign colluded with the Russians in the 2016 election is just part of a larger narrative that has emerged in the past few days. It holds that journalism laid an egg here, producing an epic fail that will haunt it for years.

The charge was leveled, not surprisingly, by Trump, who tweeted that "The Fake News Media has lost tremendous credibility."

He was echoed by his spokeswoman, Sarah Huckabee Sanders, who said, "... the liberal media owe the president and they owe the American people an apology."

He was also echoed by his puppy, Sean Hannity, who promised to "hold the corrupt media accountable for years of misleading the American people!"

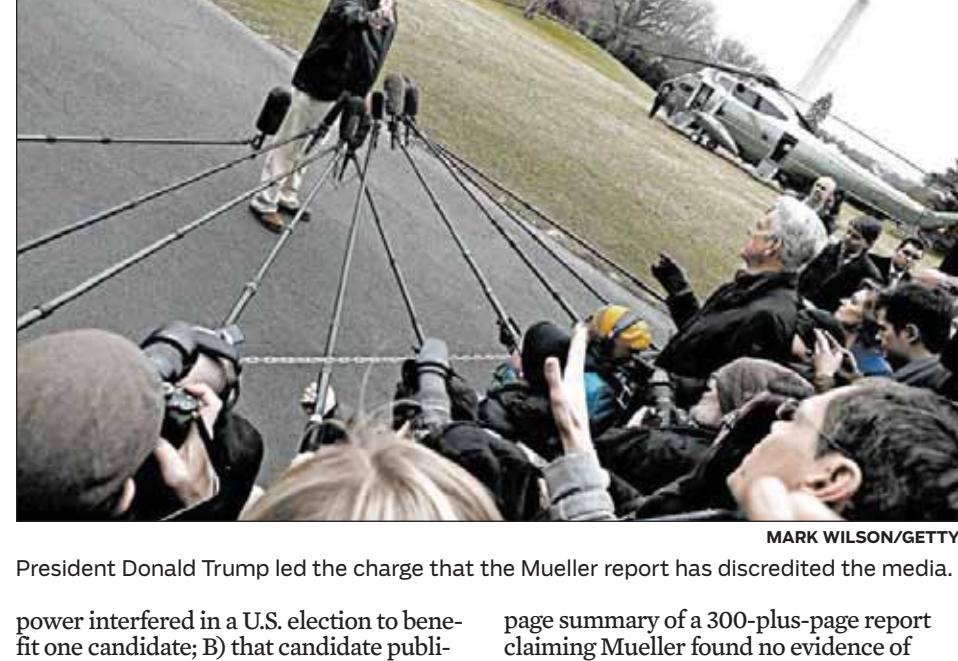
If all of that was predictable, many of us were surprised to hear Matt Taibbi, a liberal journalist who has been no friend to the Trump regime, join the chorus, calling this "a death blow for the reputation of the American news media."

Beg pardon, but: Huh? What in the sainted name of Walter Cronkite is he talking about?

I know media failure. I've seen media failure. Uncritically swallowing false weapons of mass destruction claims, that was failure. Giving candidate Trump free airtime, that was failure. This was not.

Yes, the coverage produced a few ill-considered chyrons and headlines. Most coverage does. And yes, too, the constant cable news drumbeat of turning points that didn't turn and breaking points that didn't break grew numbing.

But let's get real. Would anyone really argue that in a situation where: A) American intelligence reports a hostile foreign



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power interfered in a U.S. election to benefit one candidate; B) that candidate publicly implores the hostile power for help; C) his campaign is found to have met with agents of that power; D) the candidate dictates a lie to explain away the meeting; E) the FBI is concerned enough to open a counterintelligence probe, that news media should not investigate as aggressively as possible?

The Great Chicago Fire of 1871 didn't produce that much smoke. Failure to investigate would have been journalistic malpractice.

Yet reporters are expected to hang their heads now because an attorney general whose skepticism about the Mueller probe is a matter of public record issues a four-

page summary of a 300-plus-page report claiming Mueller found no evidence of collusion? No. If — and it's a big if — that proves true, so be it.

But if it doesn't — or if any of the dozen-plus other investigations still swirling about Trump produces superfluous evidence of his malfeasance — thank God for a free and mostly fearless news media to report on it. That is our sacred charge and, yes, there have been times we failed to live up to it.

This, however, is not one of them.

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PERSPECTIVE

The 2020 presidential candidates are drawing from a bottomless reservoir of hellscape hyperbole

BY MATT WELCH

From his opening campaign declaration that "the American Dream is dead," to his creatively capitalized warning just last month that "without strong Borders we don't have a Country," Donald Trump has proved again and again that an apocalyptic style works in contemporary American politics.

The president's 2020 challengers, alas, have followed Trump's lead.

"We are at an inflection point in the history of our world," Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., pronounced when kicking off her candidacy in January. "We are here because the American Dream and our American democracy are under attack and on the line like never before."

Voters in the 1864 primaries might have begged to differ, but that's not stopping the presidential primary field from serial declarations of catastrophe.

"Today, millions and millions and millions of American families are struggling to survive in a system that has been rigged by the wealthy and the well-connected," Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., said in February when announcing her presidential bid. "Millions of families can barely breathe."

Imagine the tracheal stress if unemployment were above 4 percent!

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., has been hurling paranoiac thunderbolts at the "oligarchy" for as long as he's been in politics. "We have created a system which is basically out of control," he lamented in February to CBS' John Dickerson, which is why "Now it's time to complete that revolution."

We have grown accustomed to politicians of both parties, especially those not in power, drastically overselling what Barack Obama (channeling Martin Luther King Jr.) was fond of calling the "fierce

urgency of now" — calls to action that need immediate attention — usually in the form of voting for the politician sounding the alarm. Republicans heading into the 2016 election breathed a manic new energy into the tradition, beginning with Trump's first rant about Mexican "rapists," which set off a bidding war to see who could bring the most crazy to the visa policy debate. (My favorite came from first-generation Indian-American Bobby Jindal: "Immigration without assimilation is an invasion.")

With his bottomless reservoir of hellscape hyperbole, Trump demonstrated daily that the apocalyptic style was a ticket in alienated America for leapfrogging more staid establishment politicians.

Those conservative intellectuals who didn't leap off the Trump train learned by the time of his nomination to love the hyperbole, including most notably in the Claremont Review of Books' "Flight 93 Election." That article, written under a pseudonym by Michael Anton, who later joined and then left the Trump administration, analogized a Hillary Clinton presidency to a plane hijacked by suicidal terrorists. "Charge the cockpit or you die," Anton counseled. "You may die anyway.... (But) if you don't try, death is certain."

Since every winning strategy in America's two-party political system ends up being copied by the losing side, the Democrats' march toward a paranoid dystopia should not surprise.

House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff, D-Calif., has been amply rewarded in the media ecosystem for making casual suggestions that the president of the United States is working for another team. Fellow committee member Eric Swalwell, D-Calif., told Vanity Fair in January that "over the last six months, there has only been more evidence that the president has been acting on Russia's

behalf."

And if early response to the Mueller report summary is any guide, don't expect much left-of-center walk-back from the past two years of increasingly conspiratorial speculation about Trump/Russia.

Heading into 2020, we should expect more and louder howling into the wind, even from the most professionally upbeat 2020 Democrats.

"Society does not value work anymore," Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., warned recently in South Carolina. "We have a real crisis in this country over financial stability."

Even Beto O'Rourke, in between countertop jumps and motivational rah-rah, is accessing the dark side. "The civil war in Syria, the wildfires in California — we literally are making it happen," the toothsome Texan said recently in New Hampshire. "And unless we act in the next 12 years... there will be a hell visited upon our kids and grandkids and the generations that follow."

Why do people talk like this? Because it speaks to our species. Humans are hard-wired to believe that the sky will fall, no matter how much cleaner, healthier and richer our environs become over time. Our evolutionary parents and grandparents, after all, survived precisely because they suspected that that rattle in the bushes might well be a saber-tooth tiger.

The moral, though, of "The Boy Who Cried Wolf" is not that there is no wolf, but rather that warnings should be saved for when the beast actually arrives. The president's apocalyptic fantasia is disreputable on its face, and leads to bad policies. Democrats should resist the temptation to emulate what they despise.

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Idea for new Obama center site

The South Shore Cultural Center provides the perfectly exquisite location to honor President Barack Obama and to embody his community development philosophies. The 65-acre lakefront park extends between U.S. 41 on the west and the lake on the east and stretches north to south from 67th to 71st streets.

Although adjacent to Jackson Park, this lakefront acreage was never intended to be included in the 1909 Burnham Plan, sponsored by the Commercial Club. Several club members, including Marshall Field and A. Montgomery Ward (with knowledge of the Burnham Plan dimensions), purchased this breathtaking lakefront site that became the South Shore Country Club. For over 50 years, this privately owned club was white and Protestant only, aggressively discriminating against all others. It was the playground of the white rich.

In the '60s, the South Shore community experienced dramatic white flight, and the private club soon closed. The property was purchased by the Chicago Park District, and soon after, the South Shore Country Club was designated a Chicago landmark and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Almost five decades after the Park District's acquisition, South Shore's neighborhoods remain increasingly disinvested with little economic or commercial development. South Shore's beautiful housing is vastly underappreciated and underutilized.

The South Shore Cultural Center must continue to operate free and open to the public with the historic architecture, the beach and picnic area, as well as the nature preserve and wildlife center. The remaining site could easily accommodate the most currently conceived plans for the Barack Obama Presidential Center and its parking needs. We can now recognize the extraordinary crown this exquisite location could become!

The South Shore community has always known that this parcel has a higher purpose!

— R. Susan Motley, Chicago

Segregation hurts Chicago

Chicago is stuck in the rut of residential segregation. There is no discussion of the issue. Whites are jammed along the lakefront and in far northwest and southwest neighborhoods with blacks and Latinos confined in between. Decade after decade, residential segregation in Chicago is accepted as the way things are and always will be.

There are multibillion-dollar plans to develop Lincoln Yards in Lincoln Park and Bucktown and the site west of Soldier Field and McCormick Place. Intended or not, these will perpetuate the pattern. Now that Chicago's suburbs are welcoming to all, based not on the color of skin but the content of character, black Chicagoans are fleeing the city in record numbers. Where is thought given, where are plans made, to deal with the emptying out of neighborhoods like Austin, which has lost 25,000 residents since its heyday not so long ago as the city's most populous neighborhood?

— Joe English, Chicago

Fight against AIDS needs U.S. cash

At the height of the AIDS crisis nearly two decades ago, the world came together to fight back, creating the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. This international partnership has helped save 27 million lives since 2002. This is stunning progress, but we cannot claim victory yet.

HIV and tuberculosis treatments aren't reaching everyone who needs them, and progress on tackling malaria has stalled. Since the beginning, the U.S. has played a leading role in the Global Fund, providing a full one-third of its financial resources. That must continue.

I urge our members of Congress and President Donald Trump to continue strong support for the Global Fund by recommitting to provide at least one-third of the total \$14 billion needed to step up the fight, save more lives and move us closer to ending these diseases.

— Russ Ziegler, Downers Grove

Let's focus on important issues

For weeks now the media in Chicago and nationally have been fixated on the Jussie Smollett case. I for one am puzzled why, morning and night, in the Tribune and on local and national TV, we're inundated with news surrounding a TV actor who is or isn't guilty of a hate crime hoax?

With so many pressing concerns that confront us as a community and nation, this is certainly not one of them!

— Mark Agin, Gurnee

them their thoughts on taking down the monuments, and many agreed that some, such as a Nathan Bedford Forrest statue, should be uninstalled. A couple of students, however, argued that all of the monuments should be preserved in some capacity, such as in museums, perhaps. The consensus was to leave the monuments to the nameless soldiers alone. The notoriety of someone like Gen. Robert E. Lee made the hypothetical decision-making more challenging.

I then asked everyone's observations about who spoke up at the lecture. Each person noted it was the classmates we know to hold views furthest to the left. No one really thought that was unusual, as those students express their thoughts most often in class.

It was then I realized: I am part of the problem. I could have spoken up during the lecture, but I chose not to. I let the more radical voices rule the day, uncontested.

Combating that situation does not require an executive order. It requires those of us who are aware of the problem to speak up and challenge ideas with better ideas.

That is what it means to have free speech.

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A statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee is removed from Lee Circle in New Orleans in May 2017.

A college lecture on Confederate statues made me realize I'm squelching free speech on campus

BY KEVIN WEIS

I am the problem with free speech on college campus. At the very least, I don't help. President Donald Trump took action earlier this month to deal with what he sees as an assault on conservative voices. The squelching of diverse viewpoints and the disinvitation of conservatives to college campuses is a well-documented trend that has led to an increasingly fervent left and fewer conservative and moderate students who are willing to speak.

While this problem largely correlates with a persistent rise in the number of liberal professors, I would argue that much of the blame falls squarely on the shoulders of my peers and me.

The day before Trump signed an executive order that threatens to withdraw federal funding from universities that block conservative views, my history class was directed to attend a presentation on Confederate monuments. It was my second time attending it, so I knew what to expect from the discussion. I even took the time to prepare answers from both conservative and liberal perspectives. The professor prefaced his presentation by stating that he was going to involve the 75 or so students in his talk. The most significant question would be: Should the monuments come down?

None to my surprise, overwhelmingly students in the auditorium said the monu-

ments should be taken down. One person, a retired English professor, suggested some caution. Her voice, though, was the lone pushback against the many monologues that came from some of my most notably far-left peers.

At one point, the professor rhetorically asked the crowd, "If we start taking down Confederate memorials for promoting slavery, do we also take down the Washington Monument and the Jefferson Memorial?" One voice from the crowd said yes. A couple of heads nodded in agreement. Eventually, the professor asked, what about the monuments to nameless Confederate soldiers erected for the families who lost loved ones? The collective voice said: Yes, take them down.

I sat there considering whether to raise an objection just to counter the sound of the echo chamber. But I did no such thing. I was sitting behind a student whose opinion I had consulted previously because I knew it was conservative. He believed the monuments should stay up and be used as a learning tool. Yet, he also remained silent. The other students in my section remained quiet, too, though I knew many of them to be liberal-minded, so perhaps they were silently agreeing with the outspoken leftists in the room.

The next day, the day Trump signed the executive order, I met with members of the history club I participate in, all of whom had attended the lecture. I asked

them their thoughts on taking down the monuments, and many agreed that some, such as a Nathan Bedford Forrest statue, should be uninstalled. A couple of students, however, argued that all of the monuments should be preserved in some capacity, such as in museums, perhaps.

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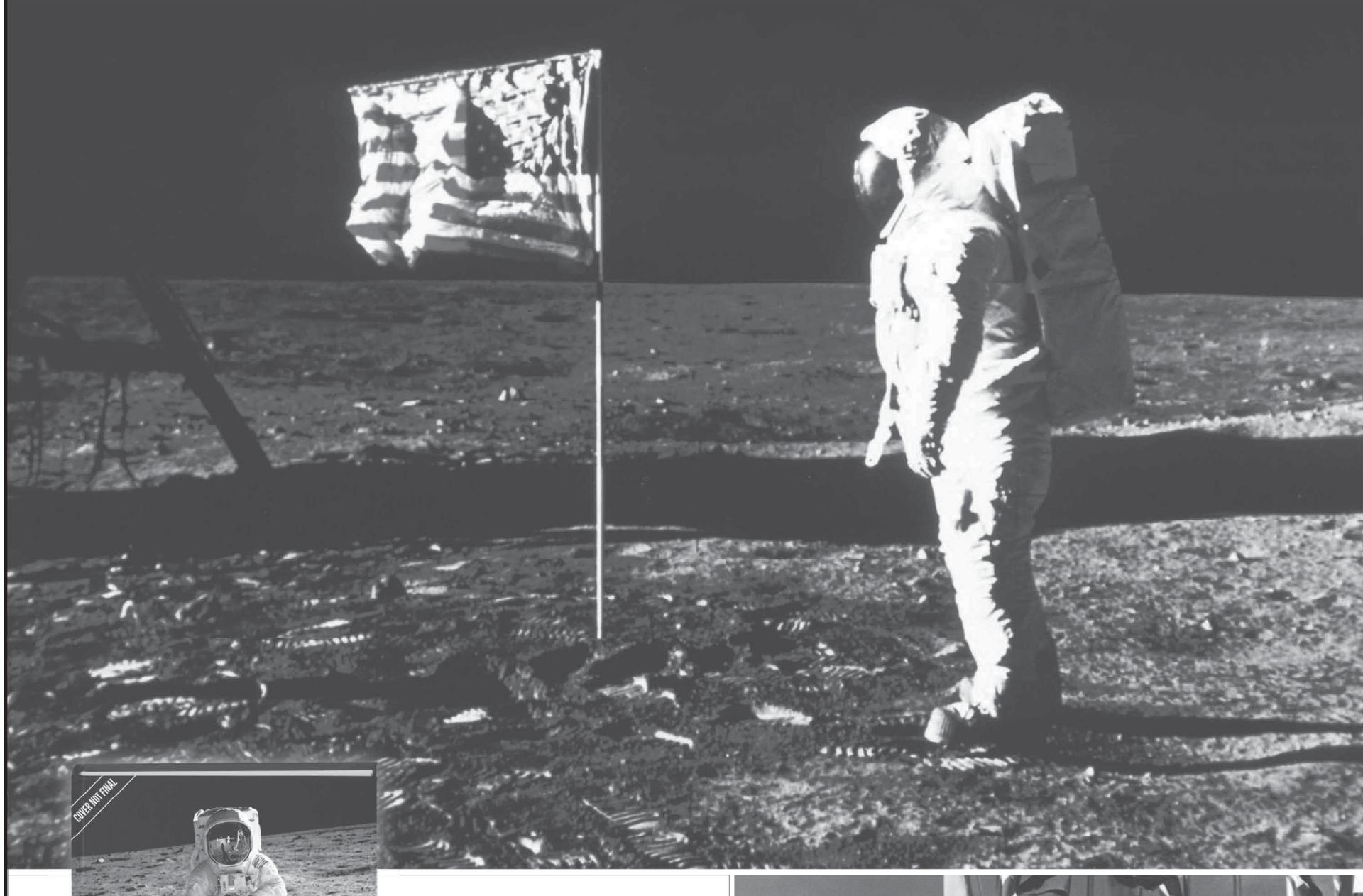
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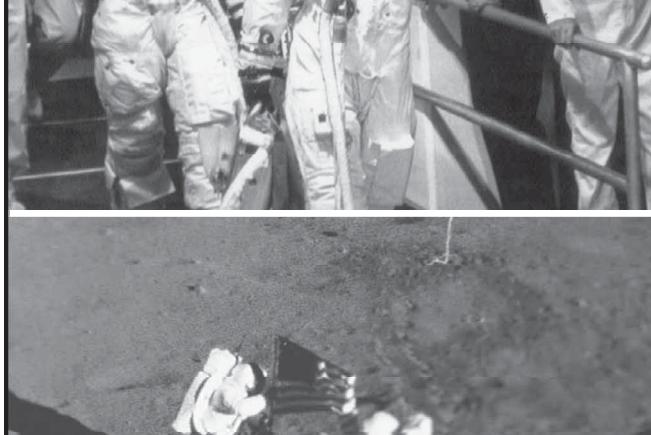
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Do a spring cleanup of your financial life

Tidying-up queen Marie Kondo has taken the world by storm, helping people declutter their lives with a methodical approach. She suggests: "Keep only those things that speak to the heart and discard items that no longer spark joy. Thank them for their service – then let them go."

As you work through this tax season and begin thinking about financial spring cleaning, it's a perfect time to apply some of Kondo's advice, but with a twist: it's time to make your financial life spark joy, not oy!

Here's the Schlesinger method for tidying up your financial life:

Taxes: There has been a lot of moaning and groaning about the new tax law. If you owed money for 2018 or received a large tax refund, use the IRS withholding tax calculator on IRS.gov. After doing so, you may want to adjust your W-4 at work. If you're self-employed, lower your quarterly estimated tax payments accordingly.

Investments: Tax time is also an opportunity to review your investments. Did your taxable accounts generate too much income or capital gains? Did you pay too much in fees? Are you tired of managing the accounts yourself? If so, be sure to seek a financial professional or online platform that is held to the fiduciary standard at all times, meaning your best interests must come first.

Old accounts: Do you have orphan investment or bank accounts that need attention? By combining them, the resulting higher balance may help avoid or reduce fees and even help you get better deals, not to mention, it will help streamline your financial life. The same rule applies to old retirement or investment accounts that are looking for a home. Combining accounts makes it easier to monitor your entire portfolio and ensure that your money is properly diversified.

The world of paper is where Kondo meets Schlesinger. Get rid of some documents, but understand what you must keep.

Tax returns/supporting documents: Generally, the IRS can include returns filed within the last three years in an audit. If they identify a substantial error, they may add additional years, but the agency usually does not go back more than the last six years. Therefore, keep your returns and all supporting documents for six years. If you work with a tax preparer, ask whether the preparer will maintain electronic copies of all returns filed.

Bank and investment statements: If you manage your accounts online, find out for how long your bank/investment company makes your documents available. For those still receiving paper statements, keep them for one year and for taxable investment accounts, flag any confirms of purchases or sales for tax purposes. Hold onto records that are related to home improvements and major purchases until you dispose of the asset. (Note: If you think that you may be applying for Medicaid, many states require that you show five year's worth of statements.)

Credit card bills: Unless you need to reference something for tax or business purposes, or for proof of purchase for a specific item, you can shred them after 45 days. Like the bank statements, flag what you may need for taxes, like charitable contributions.

Utility and phone bills: Shred them after you have paid them, unless they contain tax-deductible expenses. Better yet, save some trees and pay bills online. It's simple to set up these payments and you can take care of everything with a couple of clicks.

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Never out of office

Workers put in average of 23 extra hours each month to get noticed, study finds

BY WANDA THIBODEAUX | Inc.

We often hear that moving up the corporate ladder means you have to put in serious face time. Make yourself ubiquitous in the office, the theory goes, and you'll establish the normalcy and importance of your supposedly hardworking presence. But just how much extra time does a typical worker stay on the clock to get noticed?

A recent study by Maxis Global Benefits Network on work-life balance found that, on average, American workers log 23 extra hours every month just to be seen. That's close to the United Arab Emirates, where workers put in the most get-attention hours, at 24 per month. South African employees, by comparison, do the least extra hours, 14 a month.

Bosses may think it's great to get more work out of people, but here's the rub: Workers who put in this extra notice-me time aren't necessarily going to give you more. They might be in the office at their desks, yes, but similar to other research, the study found that people who work longer hours aren't more productive.

You basically end up paying them to compete for your attention.

Now, some of this might relate to Parkinson's Law, which essentially says that you'll expand your work to fill whatever time you've got available. And, if people perceive that the shortest amount of time they should be at the office is nine or 10 hours instead of eight, for example, they might subcon-

sciously spread their tasks out to fit the new standard.

It might not necessarily be a fully intentional choice by employees to cheat their employers, but rather a result of implicit bias.

Johnny Warstrom, CEO and co-founder of interactive presentation company Mentimeter, acknowledges that the issue stems from the culture cultivated in the office.

"If there is a culture of staying late, and doing overtime," says Warstrom, "workers infer that this is an expectation, putting in extra hours to prove their commitment and dedication to their employer."

Mathias Mikkelsen, CEO and founder of Memory (the maker of time tracking app Timely), puts it more bluntly:

"I truly believe that the main factor is poor leadership. No employee wakes up one day with a sudden desire to sit in front of the computer and pretend to work, but this is something that happens because it is being encouraged by managers. Only an incredibly toxic culture allows this sort of behavior to happen, and inadequate leadership is entirely responsible for it. The problem is that many companies are directly encouraging presenteeism by handing out rewards and promotion and praising those who are 'seen' to be giving their all."

Warstrom says we should eliminate the pressure to be perceived as working long hours, so employees can focus on efficiency and can leave after eight or nine hours of solid work, which would aid productivity.

Work-life balance would be better too. Warstrom believes the current emphasis on presenteeism corrodes business growth by encouraging costly burnout, which further destroys the culture, engagement and loyalty.

Mikkelsen, who is concerned that people are "spinning the wheel" instead of contributing to the progress of humanity and society, says that if workers were happier because of better work-life balance, that improved well-being naturally would have a positive influence on motivation and productivity.

"Burnout is incredibly expensive for both the employee and the employer, and so is a broken company culture," Mikkelsen says. "It's disappointing for workers to commit to a certain number of weekly hours on their contract, and then be continually expected to perform against a vague and invisible secondary set. Respect goes both ways."

Warstrom says that leading by example is the best way to combat the overwork. For example, he doesn't send late-night emails so that employees don't think he expects them to do the same. But on a larger scale, leaders need to be more vocal and put the myth that extra hours equals extra output to bed.

He encourages leaders to put policies in place that empower workers to make healthy and honest choices about how they get tasks done.

Mikkelsen agrees that change has to come from the top and that education about the myth is necessary.

"The biggest lie in business," Mikkelsen says, "is that someone is working just because they're ... at their desk and in front of their computer. Allow workers to work in a way and in a place that suits them best, and then reward them for the results that they achieve, rather than for the number of hours they put in."

"Take genuine responsibility for the culture of your business," Warstrom concludes. "Address symptoms of presenteeism and encourage your employees to leave on time. Don't reward overtime for the sake of it, and clearly communicate and demonstrate to your team that their well-being matters."

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Using 529 funds for continuing education

BY KIMBERLY LANKFORD

Kiplinger

Q: Can I use money tax-free from a 529 college-savings plan to pay for continuing education? Or do I have to be enrolled in a college degree or certificate program?

As long as you are taking the course at an eligible institution, the cost of tuition, fees, required books and software can be withdrawn tax-free from the 529, even if you aren't in a degree or certificate program.

Eligible institutions are accredited colleges, universities, vocational schools and



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other post-secondary educational institutions that can participate in a student aid program administered by the U.S. Department of Education. You can look up eligible institutions by using the Federal School Code Search tool at the FAFSA.gov site.

"There are nearly 4,000 U.S. institutions that qualify, including four-year, two-year, technical, graduate, professional, public and private, along with some outside of the U.S.," says James DiUlio, director of the

Wisconsin 529 College Savings Program and chairman of the executive board of the National College Savings Plan Network. (You can find links to each state's plans at CollegeSavings.org.)

Continuing education needed to maintain a professional license may also be eligible, depending on the institution where you take the course. For example, eligible institutions offer many continuing education programs for librarians, teachers, principals, insurance professionals, and some emergency medical technicians and medical occupations, says DiUlio. (You must be enrolled at least half-time to withdraw 529 money tax-free for room and board, however.)

Using a 529 for continuing education can be particularly helpful for parents who have \$29 money left over after their children finish college, or if their kids don't end up going to college or technical school, says DiUlio.

"You can transfer the account's benefi-

ciary to the person taking continuing education, including yourself," he says.

In states that give residents an income tax deduction for contributing to a college-savings plan, some people put money in a 529 account to pay for continuing education classes they plan to take soon, DiUlio adds. This way, they can get the tax break even though they won't be keeping the money in the account for long.

You can find out your state's rules for deducting 529 contributions and whether you need to keep the money in the account for a certain time period at Savingforcollege.com.

If you withdraw money from a 529 for ineligible expenses, you'll generally have to pay taxes and a 10 percent penalty on the earnings (but not on the contributions).

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On-the-go greatness

Business traveler offers tips, tricks

BY DAVID BROWN
Inc.

I am on the road a lot. I sometimes spend up to 75 percent of the month traveling between Techstars programs and locations. The norm is 50 percent, which still means that I'm only home about half the time.

I've given a lot of thought to business travel and engaged in a lot of experimentation to make it as painless and comfortable as possible. After all, if I don't arrive at my destination organized, rested and ready to do business, then there's no point in even going there. Read on for some of my tricks and tips that might work for you as well.

Travel light

At this point, I can travel with only a backpack for a weeklong trip, but it takes careful planning to ensure I have everything I need.

Pack clothes only for the number of days that you are away, no more. Sometimes, I pack enough clothes for half the number of days and hand wash things during my trip.

Only bring one pair of shoes. Invest in a pair that are attractive, versatile and comfortable. You won't regret it.

Know what can be worn more than once. Choose dark colors that won't show dirt or stains and opt for fabric that won't wrinkle.

Leave most of your toiletries at home. Hotels and even Airbnbs have the basics. I've rarely been at a hotel that didn't have a toothbrush and toothpaste, but I carry a prepasted toothbrush with me just in case.

Have one universal plug that you can use anywhere. If you need another, the hotel almost always has one you can borrow.

Put together an electronics bag of the minimal cords and other things that you need for the road and keep it at hand so you don't need to chase everything down while packing.

Use your phone to keep notes so that you don't need to carry a notebook.

Be brutal about what belongs where in your backpack and keep it clear of clutter.

I carry an iPad with a keyboard and



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leave the laptop at home. I use it for work and I also store movies and books on it so I have something to pass the time.

Fly high

If at all possible, pick one airline and fly it whenever you can. The more miles you earn on its loyalty program, the more benefits you unlock. If you get into the upper tier of an airline loyalty program, you can often win seats in business class or lounge perks. These are all worth it when you travel a lot.

You also should use an airline's co-branded credit card. Book all your travel on it and you will see your miles and/or points grow quickly. Pay attention to the annual fee, travel perks, offer bonus and spending requirements before you sign up for a card.

The points you earn on your credit card can get you lounge access, better rooms in hotels, special events, flights

and more.

Some airlines have annual Wi-Fi packages; if you fly one airline a lot, these are often cost effective.

Cope with jet lag

I often fly into a city late at night or early in the morning and I'm not always at the top of my game. I have a few tricks to prepare for what will inevitably be a long day.

Try to sleep on the plane so that you are fairly rested when you arrive. Alcohol isn't necessarily the answer. It can leave you dehydrated and achy.

Melatonin can be a nice, gentle sleep inducer (a few Good Day Chocolate Sleep supplements do wonders for me). An eye mask also is a big help. Also, invest in a good pair of noise-canceling headphones so you aren't kept awake by a screaming toddler on your flight.

A quick shower is a great way to refresh. If I arrive early in the morning, the hotel typically will not have a room for me until the afternoon. If I have access to a lounge at arrivals, I take a shower at the airport.

I don't recommend daytime naps. Muscle through the fatigue and go to bed at a normal time, even if it means 20 hours of being awake. You'll adjust much faster.

Waking up at 4 a.m. is typical with jet lag. Accept it. Play a game on your phone or read a book, but know that if you jump into work at 4 a.m., you'll be awake for a long time.

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Invest in the future

Companies tapping into trends that could pay off

BY NELLIE S. HUANG
Kiplinger

Thirty years ago, an investment in Amazon.com might have been met with derision. Would people really prefer to buy a book or toaster online and wait for it to be delivered to their door, rather than visit the neighborhood store to buy it? We all know the answer to that now.

It takes guts to invest in the future. But, as with Amazon, it can pay off big time.

Here are some stocks that stand to benefit from one of three trends. Consider them long-term holdings that eventually reap rewards.

Climate change

Concern about climate change has heightened awareness of how we use our natural resources, with the supply and quality of water near the top of the list.

Xylem (symbol XYL), which takes its name from a Greek term for the tissue that transports water in plants, is a water equipment and technology company that enables public utilities and commercial and industrial customers to transport,

treat, test and efficiently use water. It is a steady business that's growing.

Revenues over the past three years have increased by 13 percent annualized. A string of recent acquisitions has added a number of smart meters, pressure sensors, and diagnostic and analytics tools to the company's lineup.

Analysts expect earnings at Xylem to increase by 18 percent a year, on average, over the next three years.

Longevity

Even though we are living longer, we're not living healthier, more active lives, according to the World Health Organization. To better manage health problems in old age, says WHO, early detection is key. That's where genomic science comes in.

Illumina (ILMN), the leading maker of DNA sequencing tools and instruments, is at the center of the genomics revolution.

Last year, Illumina reported that more than 90 percent of all gene sequencing performed so far has used the company's technology. Illumina booked a record \$3 billion in revenue in 2018.

Over the next three years, analysts expect annual revenue growth in the double-digit percentages and earnings growth of 22 percent or better.

5G

This next-generation mobile communication system will be as much as 10 times faster than current connections. Though 5G isn't here in a big way yet, most carriers promise nationwide service by 2020.

When we're living in a 5G world, we'll want seamless connections as we walk around town, enter buildings or ride in elevators. Ericsson (ERIC) makes devices that are crucial to making that possible. The devices, called small cells, act like hotspots to connect pockets of the 5G world.

The Swedish company is still in turnaround mode after its former CEO was ousted amid claims of mismanagement. The new CEO, Borje Ekholm, has made 5G a priority at Ericsson. Analysts expect earnings over the next three years to grow by 42 percent annualized, reflecting a reversal of the recent declines.

Telecommunications equipment maker Qualcomm (QCOM) might be a more obvious beneficiary of 5G. From smartphones to small cells, Qualcomm is involved in just about every facet of 5G, and it holds 13 percent of all 5G patents, more than most of its semiconductor and telecom equipment peers.

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TERRY SAVAGE
The Savage Truth

You may need to rethink tax strategies for retirement

As tax season draws to a close, Americans are taking a second look at the impact of the new tax laws.

The tax cut put more money in many paychecks, but the amount withheld for taxes was also reduced. Now, as tax returns are being prepared, many people are finding that the tax law also impacted their deductions, especially those for state and local income and property taxes. The result is a smaller refund than expected — or none at all.

The impact is causing people to rethink their tax strategies not only for this year but for years ahead. The new calculations are turning some traditional tax strategies on their head.

For many years, financial planners and tax advisers have encouraged people to save in tax-deferred accounts such as company 401(k) plans and IRAs. The standard wisdom was that you'd be in a lower tax bracket after you retire and start withdrawing.

Now, the question is: Do you believe tax rates will remain this low in the years ahead, after you retire? Or should you be making some plans to convert your IRA and pay the taxes now or at least take larger-than-required withdrawals in the next few years, while rates may be lower than in the future?

Kelly LaVigne, vice president of advanced markets for Allianz Life, says the company's advisers are rethinking the traditional default position of deferring taxes as long as possible. A few key principles emerge if you expect that tax brackets might rise in the future — perhaps to deal with our ballooning budget deficits. Those higher tax brackets might come when you're well into retirement and your required distributions are proportionately higher.

LaVigne recommends being aggressive about collecting deductions now, before you retire and while you're still earning an income. There's more than just contributing the maximum on a pre-tax basis to your company retirement plan.

■ Use a health savings account to make tax-deductible contributions that can be withdrawn tax free for qualified medical expenses that are sure to come in retirement.

■ Consider opening a charitable gift fund account (at Fidelity or Vanguard) and taking a big deduction this year, while doling out your contributions to recognized charities in the future, when your income is lower, and you might be able to take the new \$12,000 per person standard deduction.

■ Take extra money out after retirement, but before age 70½, when required minimum distributions kick in. This is the sweet spot of lower income, during the current relatively low tax rate years. You don't have to spend that extra money. You can invest your after-tax dollars in a Roth IRA if you are still working, or perhaps in a deferred annuity that will start paying out in five or 10 years. Or use an annuity that has a death benefit bonus for your heirs.

■ Consider a Roth conversion. If you have a traditional IRA, you can convert to a Roth — if you pay all applicable taxes now. (You need to have the cash for taxes outside your IRA to pay those taxes for this strategy to work well.) The advantage of this strategy is that with a Roth you won't be required to take an RMD, ever.

If you haven't paid attention to changes in the tax laws, now is the time to reconsider, not only for your current tax return but for future income planning as well. And that's The Savage Truth.

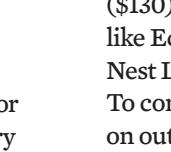
Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and the author of four best-selling books, including "The Savage Truth on Money." She responds to questions on her blog at TerrySavage.com.

A little home help

Maybe you received a bonus at work or scored a sizable tax refund. If you have a few hundred dollars to spare, here are some ways to spend it on your home.

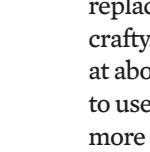


Get organized
Organizing expert Marie Kondo has many of us tossing out stuff we don't need. You can find a professional organizer at Napo.net or a certified KonMari consultant at Konmari.com. The cost will vary based on your location and the scope of your project, but most organizers charge \$30 to \$80 an hour, according to Costhelper.com.



Make your home smarter

Control your home with a tap of your smartphone or a voice command by installing smart-home devices. Start with a smart speaker such as Amazon Echo (\$100) or Google Home (\$130) and a smart thermostat. For the thermostat, we like Ecobee 3 Lite (\$170) for Amazon Echo users and Nest Learning thermostat (\$250) for Google Home users. To control access to your home and monitor what's going on outside, add a smart lock and video camera, such as the August Smart Lock Pro + Connect (\$279) with the company's Doorbell Cam Pro (\$199).Pro (\$199).



Buy a 3-D printer

With a 3-D printer, you can make household items (from vases to cell-phone cases), create replacement parts or just get crafty. Models for home use start at about \$200 and are now easier to use. For higher print quality and more features, a serious user should expect to spend \$700 to \$1,000.

SOURCE: Kiplinger

SUCCESS

Busting big myths of remote work

By MARLA TABAKA
Inc.

Remote teams are no longer the exception for the small businesses of today.

There are challenges to operating with a virtual team in place, but that's no excuse to make stereotypical assumptions about employees who work from home or a coffee shop.

Let's debunk some of these all-too-common myths about hiring and operating with work-from-home employees.

Working from home is a perk

Working remotely is not a perk, it's a policy — one that can be changed or eliminated as needed. A few years ago, telecommuting was considered a perk and people were willing to make sacrifices for the opportunity to work from home.

Today, while workers still appreciate the opportunity, it's a common one and it can mean keeping team members happy and productive.

Alluding to your remote employees as privileged or joking about them sitting at home eating ice cream in their pajamas is not smart and it creates an unhealthy atmosphere that encourages people at the office to pile on the remote workers as well.

It only benefits employees

If your team is managed correctly it will benefit you in many ways, including financially.

Here are a few of the employer advantages:

- Reduction in absenteeism.
- Expansion of your talent pool from local to unlimited.
- Increase in productivity (despite popular belief).
- Decrease in office conflicts, gossip and personality clashes.
- Shrinking costs for furniture, phone, connectivity and other office necessities.

Remote workers can be paid



JACOB AMMENTORP LUND/DREAMSTIME

less because they don't have commuting costs

SALARIES ARE DETERMINED BY RESPONSIBILITY, SKILL LEVEL AND EXPERIENCE, NOT CONVENIENCE. PAY YOUR EMPLOYEES A FAIR WAGE, AND REMEMBER THAT YOUR WORK-FROM-HOME POLICY SAVES YOU MONEY IN OTHER WAYS.

Hiring out-of-state employees requires no extra effort or attention

Entrepreneurs are often taken by surprise when they learn about the laws and regulations on compliance and licensing. You may need a permit or license for your remote workers, for instance, and there are tax nexus

considerations.

DO SOME RESEARCH ON THE RULES IN YOUR STATE.

It's impossible to build a strong culture outside an office environment

YOUR CULTURE IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT, WITH OR WITHOUT THE PHYSICAL PRESENCE OF EMPLOYEES. ESTABLISH YOUR COMPANY VALUES, VISION AND POLICIES AND COMMUNICATE THEM CLEARLY AND OFTEN.

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

- HOW YOUR TEAM TALKS TO CUSTOMERS AND SHOWS UP AS A BRAND.
- HOW YOUR TEAM COMMUNICATES WITH ONE ANOTHER. SLACK IS A GREAT WAY TO STAY CONNECTED, AS IS SKYPE. IT'S IMPORTANT TO DRAW

BOUNDARIES THOUGH; DESIGNATE TIMES FOR COMMUNICATION SO THAT EVERYONE HAS UNINTERRUPTED WORK TIME.

- HOLDING WEEKLY MEETINGS, EVEN BRIEF DAILY MEETINGS, TO KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED.
- DEVELOPING RECOGNITION AND REWARD SYSTEMS AND USING A PUBLIC FORUM LIKE ZOOM TO TALK ABOUT ACHIEVEMENTS.

Productivity and commitment are an issue

IF YOU KNOW HOW TO INTERVIEW, SELECT AND TRAIN YOUR EMPLOYEES PROPERLY, PRODUCTIVITY IS NOT LIKELY TO BE AN ISSUE.

Many of my clients have remote teams and their loyalty,

sense of ownership and discipline are exceptional. A study published in Harvard Business Review found that, while not everyone is cut out to work from home, many of those who do are even more productive than their office counterparts.

Employers don't need to help with costs

Opinions vary on this one. In my opinion, the employer should offer compensation for equipment and other expenses.

Entrepreneurs sometimes believe that, because their employees need computers anyway, the expense should fall on their shoulders. An additional eight hours (or more) of use creates wear on their personal equipment and lessens its lifetime. It's also wise to separate work from personal, so employees appreciate having multiple devices.

Your employees may need to upgrade internet services and use software they normally wouldn't purchase. Consider these expenses and offer an allowance every year or two.

Perks are not necessary

Office workers often receive perks such as free coffee, the occasional lunch and holiday parties, to name a few. Your virtual team should be shown similar acts of appreciation.

HERE ARE A FEW IDEAS:

- PAY FOR A BASIC CO-WORKING SPACE MEMBERSHIP SO REMOTE WORKERS CAN ESCAPE HOME NOW AND THEN.
- SEND THE OCCASIONAL TREAT, SUCH AS COFFEE OR CHAIN RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS AND MOVIE TICKETS.
- SEND A HANDWRITTEN NOTE OF APPRECIATION.
- REWARD SOMEONE WHO GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND BY GIVING HIM OR HER A DAY OFF.

OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND IS A BELIEF THAT IS 100 PERCENT INEFFECTIVE AND COUNTERPRODUCTIVE WHEN IT COMES TO YOUR VIRTUAL TEAM.

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OBITUARIES

LARRY COHEN

Writer-director of cult horror classic 'It's Alive'

BY ERIN NYREN

Variety

Larry Cohen, best known for his work as a B-movie producer and director in the '70s and his later work in screenwriting, has died.

Cohen's friend, actor and publicist Shade Rupe, confirmed the news, which was announced in a post to Cohen's official Facebook page. Rupe said Cohen died in Los Angeles Saturday night surrounded by loved ones.

"The entire #KingCohen team mourns the loss of its star, hero and King, #LarryCohen," reads the post. "His unparalleled talents were surpassed only by his giant heart. The impact he made on television and cinema will be felt forever, and our deepest condolences go out to his family, friends and fans." Cohen began his career in the 1960s in television, writing scripts for episodes of well-known TV series including "The Defenders," "Espionage," and "The Invaders."

In the '70s, Cohen began to focus on filmmaking, penning and directing the 1974 horror sleeper hit "It's



PHIL MCCARTEN/AP 2006

Larry Cohen, the maverick B-movie director of cult horror films "It's Alive" and "God Told Me To," has died.

Alive," which went on to earn \$7 million and spawn two sequels for Warner Bros. after receiving a re-release. The film included a score by Bernard Herrmann, who frequently collaborated with Alfred

Hitchcock.

Cohen continued to produce low-budget horror films through the '80s, but turned to predominantly screenwriting in the 2000s, penning Colin Farrell-starrrer "Phone Booth" in 2002.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON APRIL 1 ...

In 1789 in New York City, the U.S. House of Representatives held its first full meeting, at which it elected Frederick Muhlenberg of Pennsylvania the first speaker of the House.

In 1853 Cincinnati became the first U.S. city to pay its firefighters a regular salary.

In 1873 composer Sergei Rachmaninoff was born in Novgorod Province, Russia.

In 1883 actor Lon Chaney was born in Colorado Springs, Colo.

In 1884 Florence Blanchfield, an American nurse who was the first woman to become a fully ranked officer of the U.S. Army, was born in Shepherdstown, W.Va.

In 1917 composer and "king of ragtime" Scott Joplin died in New York.

In 1918 the Royal Air Force was established in Britain.

In 1933 Nazi Germany began persecuting Jews with a boycott of Jewish-owned businesses.

In 1939 the United States recognized the Franco government in Spain following the end of the Spanish Civil War.

In 1945 American forces invaded Okinawa during World War II.

In 1946 tidal waves struck the Hawaiian Islands, resulting in more than 170 deaths.

In 1947 Greece's King George II died.

In 1960 the first weather satellite, TIROS-One, was launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1963 most of New York City's daily newspapers resumed publishing after a

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

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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
Tawn Nelson

A MINOR
NO. 2019JD00086

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Renice Buckner
(Mother), respondents, and to ALL WHOM
IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 16,
2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile
Court Act by KIM FOXX, STATE'S ATTORNEY
OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant
State's Attorney in this court and that in
the courtroom of Judge Kristal Royce Rivers
in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building
located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago,
Illinois on 04/12/2019 at 9:00 AM IN
CALENDAR 56 COURTROOM 10 ,

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
April 1, 2019

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G. Morris, E. Washington

ATTORNEY FOR:
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000

ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Azariah Wilson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) of Shaney Thomas
(Mother)

ATTENUE NO.: 18JA00881

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NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Aaron Wilson
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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION**INVITATION TO RFP FOR FIRE AND
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LEGAL NOTICES**NOTICE TO DBES**

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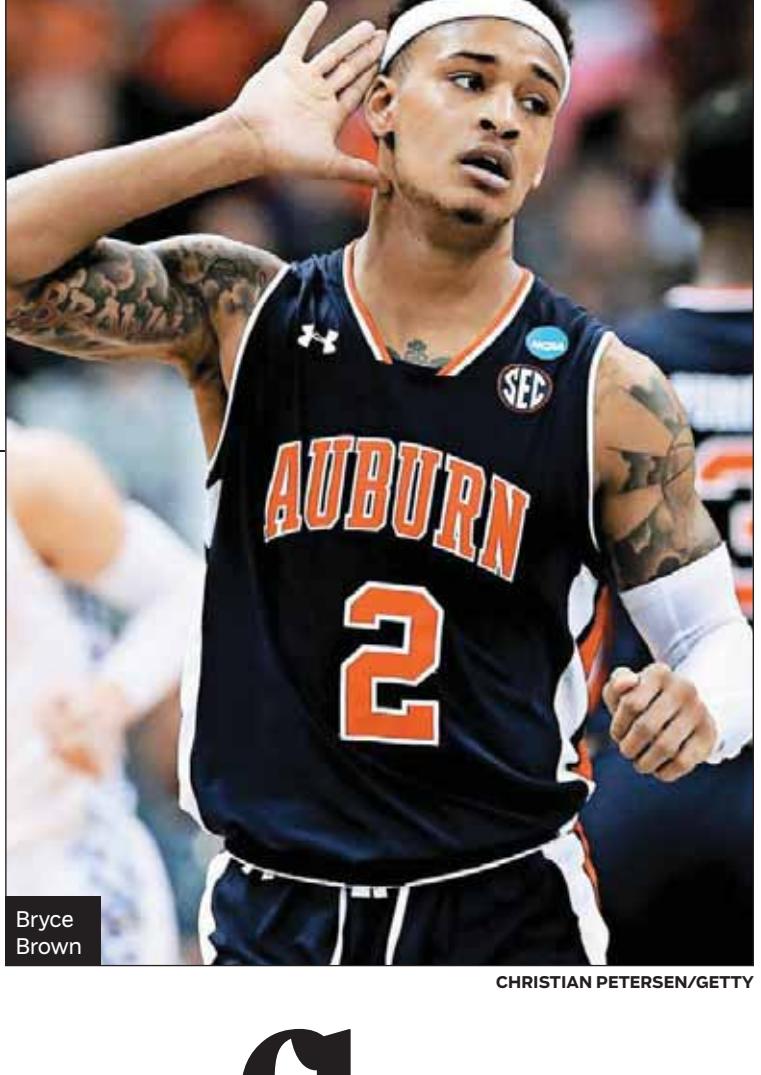


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Bryce Brown

CHRISTIAN PETERSEN/GTY

4 left on the floor

After Michigan State stuns Duke, veteran Izzo joins 3 1st-timers on final weekend

BY JOHN MARSHALL

Associated Press

Tom Izzo drew up the perfect play at the perfect moment, sending Michigan State past mighty Duke for a spot in the Final Four.

The trip is always emotional, but Izzo has done it before. This will be his eighth Final Four and a

chance for a second national championship.

The other three Final Four coaches will be the new kids at the dance.

Chris Beard's nomadic journey struck a vein of gold in his 12th coaching stop at Texas Tech, with a gritty pack of ball-hawking players grasping the program's first Final Four. Their opponent

next Saturday in Minneapolis: Izzo's Spartans.

Virginia's Tony Bennett finally got over the hump in his 10th season with the Cavaliers, putting them in position for a different kind of history after last year's historic first-round flameout against No. 16 UMBC.

And Bruce Pearl found some

gems at Auburn after an acrimo-

nious split with Tennessee, guiding the Tigers to Minneapolis, where they'll face Virginia despite the cloud of a federal investigation hanging over the program.

"I'm so happy for the people at

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WHITE SOX 6, ROYALS 3

Giolito's dominant start bodes well for his future

Righty takes no-hitter into 7th as Sox get 1st win

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Dylan Cease didn't start the season with the White Sox, but the shadow of their top pitching prospect hovers over the rotation.

Eventually Cease will be in that rotation, meaning someone will have to go. And it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out the likeliest candidate would be Lucas Giolito, who obviously has other plans.

Giolito dominated on another chilly day at Kauffman Stadium, taking a no-hitter into the seventh inning and dominating in a 6-3 win over the Royals.

Alex Gordon's one-out single in the seventh broke up Giolito's

PAUL SULLIVAN
On the
White Sox

no-hit bid, and the Royals added two more in the inning to prompt his removal after 99 pitches.

Giolito allowed two runs on three hits over 6 2/3 innings to help the Sox avoid a season-opening sweep. Alex Colome picked up his first save of the season.

Back-to-back home runs in the fourth by Jose Abreu and Yonder Alonso, who had three RBIs, paced the Sox offense.

After the game Giolito said he heard fans screaming from the fifth inning on, "so there's no way" to ignore the no-no.

"It feels good to start off on a

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JOHN SLEEZER/GTY
Lucas Giolito said it felt "good to start off on a good note" after he earned the victory Sunday in the series finale against the Royals.

RANGERS 11, CUBS 10

2nd bullpen implosion in 2 days proves fatal

But Cubs won't 'panic' after wasting 10 runs, 17 hits, losing series

BY MARK GONZALES

Chicago Tribune

ARLINGTON, Texas — Manager Joe Maddon typically needs a month to figure out the best way to use his bullpen. But he may need to speed up the timeline after the Cubs blew a late multi-run lead for the second consecutive day.

The bullpen struggled again Sunday, wasting a 17-hit effort by the offense as a three-run lead dissolved in the final four innings of an 11-10 loss to the Rangers.

The woes were obvious even before Pedro Strop allowed a

leadoff double to Joey Gallo and then bounced a wild pitch that allowed Gallo to score the winning run.

The Cubs lost two of three despite scoring 28 runs on 39 hits. Before Sunday, the Cubs had won 27 consecutive games when getting 17 hits or more dating to Aug. 9, 2009, at the Rockies.

"I would have asked you if we were playing in Midland, Texas, at the time," said Maddon, recalling his days in the Double-A Texas League where hot winds and hard infields prevailed.

But the bullpen — deemed as a strength by President Theo Epstein and Maddon heading into the season — struggled collectively. Relievers allowed 13

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TOP OF THE SECOND

Round Mound squarely a winner

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL
AND TIM BANNON
Chicago Tribune

It takes more than a scoreboard to discern the winners and losers in the men's and women's NCAA Tournaments over the weekend.

That's where we come in.

Happy to help.

Loser: Your bracket.

This is the men's Final Four you predicted? Really? Texas Tech, Auburn, Virginia and Michigan State. Sure, whatever you say. We believe you. (We don't believe you.)

Winner: Charles Barkley.

What a joy to watch him root on his Auburn Tigers. No cheering in the press box? Good thing he's in the studio, not the press box. Said Chuck still basking in elation over the Tigers' Final Four berth, "Words I never expected to say — 'I can't wait to get to Minnesota.'"

Loser: Kenny Smith.

Before Auburn eliminated North Carolina, Barkley and former Tar Heel Smith apparently were going to wear their respective college uniforms on set. But while Smith dribbled to the New York studio desk in Carolina gear, Barkley wore a suit, as usual, albeit with a tie in Auburn colors. As for why the onetime Round Mound of Rebound didn't wear his old Tigers uniform, Sir Charles said with a laugh, "It didn't fit."

Winner: Bears linebacker Khalil Mack.

Michigan State coach Tom Izzo was asked about the challenge the Spartans would face in trying to stop Duke freshman superstar Zion Williamson, the anticipated No. 1 pick in this year's NBA draft. "Khalil Mack is a guy I look at," Izzo told reporters. "If I could borrow someone from the Bears, maybe we could cover him." Williamson had 24 points and 14 rebounds, yet the Spartans advanced.

Loser: AT&T's "Phil."

The addled fake sportscaster (played by Second City veteran Tim Baltz) fell victim to an overplayed ad campaign. What began as a decent joke ran itself the ground, becoming a little less funny with each repetition. Not OK. Not at all.

Winner: Greg Gumbel.

When CBS' mobile truck lost power at the West Region semifinals in Anaheim, Calif., taking Kevin Harlan and the rest of



Duke's loss may end the college days of Zion Williamson, left, Cam Reddish and Tre Jones.

the courtside announcing crew offline, studio host Gumbel filled in on play-by-play from New York until 15 minutes, 35 seconds remained in the first half. Connecting from long distance, it's good.

Loser: Greg Gumbel.

Maybe we're imagining it, but we swear we heard sad resignation Sunday in Gumbel's voice when he had to pause to show a brief clip of the Tigers cutting down a net in Kansas City, Mo., for the sole purpose of plugging the NCAA's official brand of ladder. Yes, the NCAA has an official brand of ladder, and we can only hope the NCAA gets enough money to feel good about that.

Winner: Some NBA lottery team, maybe the Bulls.

Duke's Williamson will make it to the NBA draft fully intact, without risk of further injury in college play.

Loser: Michigan.

Against Texas Tech, the No. 2-seeded Wolverines managed just 16 field goals, 32 percent shooting and a single 3-point basket on 19 attempts. Only five players scored for Michigan.

Winner: Notre Dame fans.

They were in full force and full voice Saturday at Wintrust Arena to watch the Irish beat Texas A&M to advance to the Elite Eight in the women's tournament. They'll face No. 2 seed Stanford on Monday.

Loser: Bruce Pearl.

Yes, Auburn's coach is headed to his first Final Four (as well as the school's). But that's bound to shine a much brighter light on Pearl's history. Two of his Tigers assistant coaches have been ensnared in separate FBI corruption probes. Then there was the time he invited a recruit and the recruit's father to his home for a barbecue when he wasn't allowed to and lied about it to the NCAA. Don't even ask about the time in 1989 when, as an assistant at Iowa, Pearl secretly taped Simeon's Deon Thomas, a recruit who had chosen Illinois over Iowa. Those are some real shining moments.

Winner: Tony Bennett.

The Virginia coach, not the singer who left his heart in San Francisco, got the UMBC monkey of a year ago off his back as the Cavaliers beat Purdue, earning a trip to the Final Four just like his father, Dick Bennett, did with Wisconsin in 2000.

Loser: John Calipari.

The day before Kentucky's Midwest Region final with Auburn, Wildcats coach John Calipari joked about Barkley's statue on the Auburn campus. "Who's that big guy with the big head?" Calipari said. "I peed on his statue down there, just so you know." For Kentucky, it was No. 1 and done.

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9 p.m. Giants at Dodgers	ESPN

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Coach Tom Izzo helps cut down the net after Michigan State defeated top-seeded Duke.

Izzo, 3 1st-timers in Final 4

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down four straight NCAA Tournament opponents to reach the program's first Final Four.

"It is real. That defense is real," Gonzaga coach Mark Few said after the Red Raiders bounced the Zags from the Elite Eight.

So is Virginia's.

Using the same principles his father, Dick, ran at Wisconsin and Washington State, Cavaliers coach Tony Bennett runs a "pack line" defense that forces teams to the perimeter. As the name suggests, Virginia packs its defense into the paint.

Bennett needed a few years to cement the foundation of his defensive principles, but once he did, Virginia became one of the nation's top defenses.

The Cavaliers led the nation in scoring at 55 points per game this season and are fifth in KenPom's defensive efficiency. Virginia (33-3) shut down its first three opponents and survived an offensive onslaught by Purdue's Carsen Edwards to earn its first Final Four since 1984.

Bounced in a historic loss a year ago, the Cavaliers finally got Bennett the one piece missing from his resume.

"There was a burning desire to get these guys and our program to a Final Four and hopefully beyond," Tony Bennett said.

Now, Izzo.

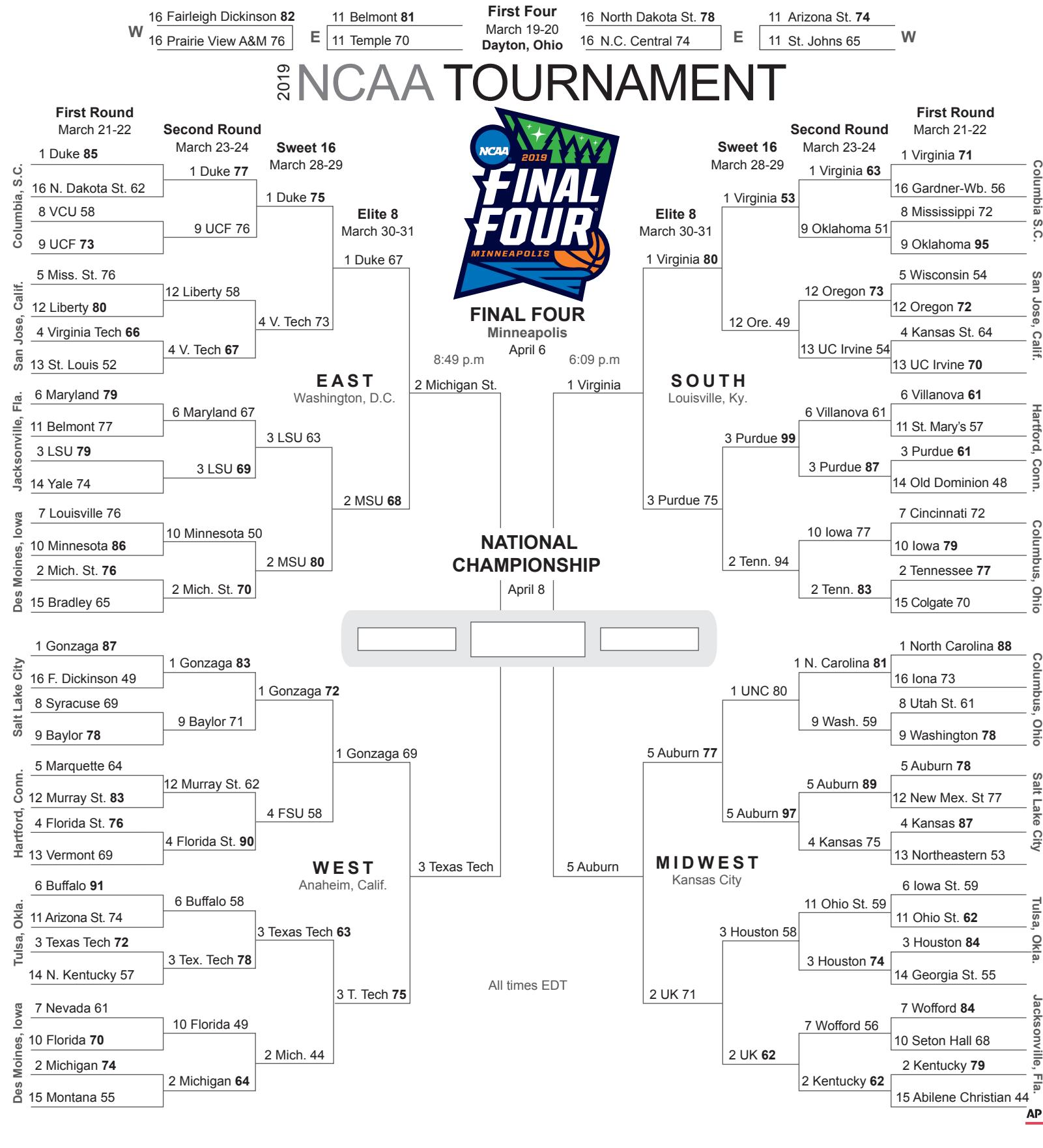
The master of March may have pulled off the greatest coaching job of his career in the Elite Eight on Sunday, pulling the strings to knock off top overall seed Duke and its fantastic freshmen.

Izzo's game plan frustrated Zion Williamson, R.J. Barrett and the rest of the Blue Devils most of the day in Washington, D.C.

With the game on the line, Izzo drew up a play to free Kenny Goins for a wide-open 3-pointer. The senior guard knocked it down with 34 seconds left, the Spartans clamped down on defense and Cassius Winston broke free to dribble out the clock, practically running all the way to Minneapolis with the ball.

Picked to finish seventh in the preseason poll, Texas Tech was one of college basketball's biggest surprises, sharing the Big 12 regular-season championship with Kansas State to end Kansas' 14-year reign. After a hiccup against West Virginia in the conference tournament, Texas Tech (30-6) and the nation's most efficient defense shut

MEN'S NCAA TOURNAMENT



Bryce Brown, who scored 24 points, smiles during the second half of Auburn's victory.

AUBURN 77, KENTUCKY 71 (OT)

Tigers on inspired run

Auburn spills more blue blood with thriller against Kentucky

BY DAVE SKRETTA | Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The confetti was still swirling around Auburn coach Bruce Pearl when he gazed over a team headed to the first Final Four in school history and declared, "This one was for Chuma!"

"The next two," Pearl added with a triumphant grin, "are for Auburn."

Drawing inspiration from injured forward Chuma Okeke, the No. 5 seed Tigers finished off a joyful romp through college basketball royalty by bringing down the winningest program of all. Their 77-71 overtime win over second-seeded Kentucky in the finals of the Midwest Region on Sunday came after blowouts of Kansas and North Carolina that served notice: Auburn is more than a football school.

Jared Harper led the way with 26 points, including the tying basket in regulation and a crucial series of layups in overtime. Bryce Brown added 24 points and Anfernee McLemore came up big in the extra session, helping Auburn (30-9) set a school record for wins with its 12th straight overall.

"We wanted to make history," Pearl said. "You have to understand, at Auburn, we're not Cinderellas in anything. We're really, really good in all those other sports. We win championships. Been a long time since men's basketball has been good."

Okeke was there in more than just spirit, too. The sophomore forward, who tore his ACL in the final minutes against the Tar Heels, was rolled behind the bench in a wheelchair early in the second half.

He was still there when the wild celebration finally began.

"Moving him to the gym, sitting him on

the bench — he doesn't want the camera on him," Pearl said. "He must have been watching the first half at the hotel and said, 'I can't stay here. I got to go.'"

The Tigers had only reached the Elite Eight once before, and that was 33 years ago. But after twice losing to Kentucky during the regular season, they rose to the occasion on the game's biggest stage.

Next stop: the Final Four and a national semifinal date with Virginia.

"I'm so glad we came out and battled the whole entire 40 minutes for Chuma," Brown said. "If he was out there, he would have made a huge difference."

Auburn forced overtime when Harper made a tying layup with 38 seconds left, and the guard added the first four points of the extra session. When Ashton Hagans scored for Kentucky, it was McLemore who added back-to-back baskets that forced the Wildcats to play catch-up.

They never made it all the way back.

Samir Doughty made the second of two free throws to give Auburn a cushion with 16.1 seconds to go, and the Wildcats' Keldon Johnson misfired at the other end, wrapping up a victory that surely sent the Tigers' fan base streaming to Toomer's Corner.

"They played aggressive. They played tough. They bumped and it was a grinding-type game," Kentucky coach John Calipari said. "They deserved to win the game."

PJ Washington came off the bench and had 28 points and 13 rebounds for the Wildcats, but he also had a shot blocked that could have given his team the lead in the final seconds of regulation.

"We thought we were going to win," said Washington, who declined to say whether it was his final game at Kentucky. "Just a lot of emotions not being able to finish the way I wanted to."



Michigan State's Cassius Winston, left, gets ready to celebrate alongside Kenny Goins.

MICHIGAN STATE 68, DUKE 67

Driving out the Devils

Winston, Spartans likely cut Williamson's career short

BY STEPHEN WHYNO | Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Cassius Winston put Michigan State on his shoulders and carried the Spartans into the Final Four for the first time since 2015.

The do-everything point guard took over the game when his team faced its biggest deficit and led second-seeded Michigan State to a 68-67 victory over Duke that likely ended Zion Williamson's college career.

Williamson, the presumptive top pick in the NBA draft and the biggest star of this NCAA Tournament, had a game-high 24 points and 14 rebounds for Duke. But it was Winston who stole the show with 20 points and 10 assists. He made nine of his 23 shots and never shied away from taking it to Duke and shooting at nearly every opportunity in the East Region final Sunday.

"Now is not the time to doubt yourself," Winston said. "We've been working, we've been playing all year to get to these moments. Now's not the time to shy away from those big moments."

The biggest moment is yet to come.

Michigan State will play Texas Tech in one national semifinal Saturday in Minneapolis. Virginia faces Auburn in the other.

"We're not done yet, and it feels good," senior guard Matt McQuaid said.

Winston was the facilitator, but the Spartans received a huge boost from their oldest player. Kenny Goins, a fifth-year senior who missed his first four 3-point attempts, drained the go-ahead shot with 34.3 seconds left to put Michigan State up 68-66.

"I was out there, great pass, trusted it

and let it go and it went down," Goins said. "As soon as I let it go, I knew it was good. I was ready to celebrate, but I knew I had to get back on defense."

Duke had the chance to tie but Barrett missed the first of two free throws with 5.2 seconds left. Duke was helpless with only four fouls, and Winston was able to get the ball away from the Duke defenders and dribble out the clock.

"There wasn't enough time, so I tried to miss the second one and it went in," Barrett said.

Michigan State is in the Final Four for the eighth time under coach Tom Izzo, who beat Duke's Mike Krzyzewski for just the second time in 13 meetings and the second time in seven NCAA Tournament games.

"I love you all ... I'll see you in Minneapolis," Izzo, who wiped away tears, told the celebrating crowd that included Michigan State alumnus Magic Johnson.

Izzo had to navigate foul trouble to big man Xavier Tillman, who was essential in guarding Williamson and factoring in on the offensive end. Tillman played 29 minutes and scored 19 points on 8 of 12 shooting.

Duke fell one step short of the Final Four after finally coming out on the losing end of a nail-biter. The Blue Devils won their previous two tournament games by a combined three points, and escaped in the final seconds only when their opponents missed at the buzzer.

Falling short likely ended the college career of Williamson, the freshman sensation expected to leave Duke for the NBA.

"We're very upset, obviously, but congrats to Michigan State," Williamson said. "Just looking around the locker room and see your teammates, your brothers and you just think this group will probably never play together again."

WOMEN'S NCAA TOURNAMENT



CHICAGO REGION AT WINTRUST ARENA

A tower of strength for Irish

Shepard's dominance in post key in push for repeat title

BY SHANNON RYAN | Chicago Tribune

Tales of Jessica Shepard's strength turn into myths in the Notre Dame locker room. "In the weight room, I'll grab a 30-pound dumbbell, and Jess will grab like 60," forward Brianna Turner said. "Just simple instances like that."

"She beat me in arm wrestling once," guard Arike Ogunbowale said.

"Jess pushed me really lightly and (I) pulled something in my back," senior guard Marina Mabrey said.

Shepard, growing more embarrassed by the second, cut off her teammates.

"At this point, we're making stuff up," Shepard said with a laugh.

Shepard's value to the Irish doesn't need exaggeration.

After transferring from Nebraska — her home-state university — two seasons ago, the 6-foot-4 forward has been a dominant post presence. She has posted 16 double-doubles this season, including 24 points and 14 rebounds against Texas A&M on Saturday to help the top-seeded Irish to Monday's Elite Eight matchup against No. 2 seed Stanford at Wintrust Arena.

She's tied for second in Notre Dame history for double-doubles in a season and her 31 double-doubles in two seasons put her fifth on the career list.

After working on conditioning and losing weight in the offseason, Shepard seems even more mobile this season, averaging 16.9 points and 10.1 rebounds. Since Notre Dame's Big East Tournament championship victory four games ago, she has averaged 23.8 points and 12.3 rebounds per game.

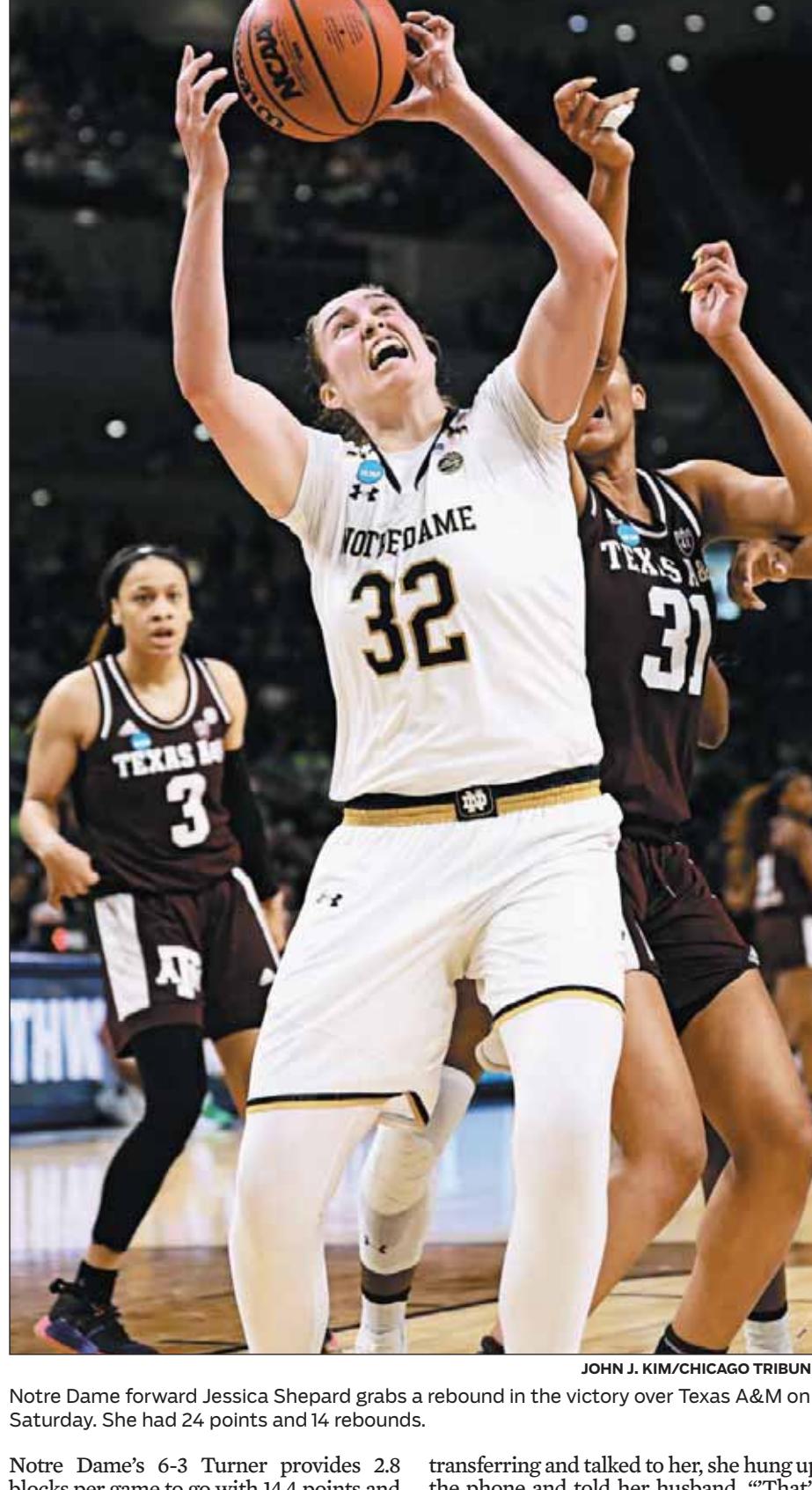
She also adds 3.2 assists per game, providing sweet outlet passes from the post that contribute to Notre Dame's blistering transition game.

"She's incredibly versatile, but she's tough to move when she gets her spot down on the block," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said. "I love her strength. When she gets the ball down low, she's pretty hard to stop."

At Nebraska, Shepard averaged 18.5 points and 9.2 rebounds in two seasons. She took 89 3-pointers, making 31.5 percent as a sophomore with the Cornhuskers, compared with only four in two seasons with the Irish (missing all four).

"We kind of forced her down on the block a little bit more," McGraw said. "Her game is able to go out on the perimeter, but we really needed her on the inside."

Stanford (30-4) boasts 6-4 forward Alanna Smith, who averages 19.8 points, 8.7 rebounds and 2.2 blocks per game, promising for an intriguing big-woman matchup.



Notre Dame forward Jessica Shepard grabs a rebound in the victory over Texas A&M on Saturday. She had 24 points and 14 rebounds.

Notre Dame's 6-3 Turner provides 2.8 blocks per game to go with 14.4 points and 7.6 rebounds.

But the Cardinal understand the looming presence of Shepard.

"She has great vision and understanding of the game," Stanford coach Tara VanDerveer said. "She runs the floor really well. She hits midrange shots. She rebounds the heck out of it. She's very physical, gets on the (offensive) boards especially well. But I think her basketball IQ is a really elite basketball IQ."

The news that Shepard was eligible without having to sit out a season like most transfers was "an early Christmas present" last season, McGraw said. "She has been so important to our team."

When McGraw found out Shepard was

transferring and talked to her, she hung up the phone and told her husband, "That's somebody I would love to coach." I knew she could have an immediate impact."

Shepard told McGraw she cared less about statistics than winning. She has the best of both worlds with the Irish (33-3), who won the national championship last season, Shepard's first in South Bend.

"I was looking for a place just to grow as a person and as a player and a chance to compete for championships," she said. "It's just a family feel. They're just real with you. It was a great fit for me."

In other words, a place where Shepard can show her strength.

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ROUNDUP

UConn, Oregon reach Final Four

Associated Press

Katie Lou Samuelson scored 29 points and second-seeded UConn held off No. 1-seeded Louisville 80-73 on Sunday in the Albany (N.Y.) Region final, extending the Huskies' record Final Four run to 12 consecutive years.

The Huskies (35-2) have won six national championships and had a 111-game winning streak during their remarkable Final Four run. They will be looking to reach the title game for the first time in three years after they have lost on last-second shots in the last two national semifinals.

UConn, which made 14 3-pointers in the game, nearly blew an 11-point lead in the final 1:47 of the game.

Louisville scored 10 of 11 points to cut its deficit to 75-73 with 26.6 seconds left. Samuelson then hit two free throws to make it a two-possession game.

Asia Durr was fouled a few seconds later, but the Cardinals' senior leader missed both free throws. Napheesa Collier was fouled after the Cardinals missed a chance on an offensive rebound. She stepped up and sank both free throws on the other end to make it 79-73.

As the buzzer sounded, the Huskies mobbed Samuelson at the foul line celebrating another trip to the Final Four.

Louisville (32-4) was looking to become only the second team to beat UConn twice in a season in the last decade, joining fellow ACC school Notre Dame, which did it in 2012 and 2013. The Huskies could face the Irish in the Final Four in Tampa, Fla., if Notre Dame beats Stanford in the Chicago Region final Monday night at Wintrust Arena.

Oregon 88, Mississippi State 84: Thanks to another stellar performance from Sabrina Ionescu and a lift from a home-state crowd, Oregon is heading to its first women's Final Four.

Ionescu had 31 points, eight assists and seven rebounds, and the second-seeded Ducks beat No. 1 seed Mississippi State in the Portland (Ore.) Region final.

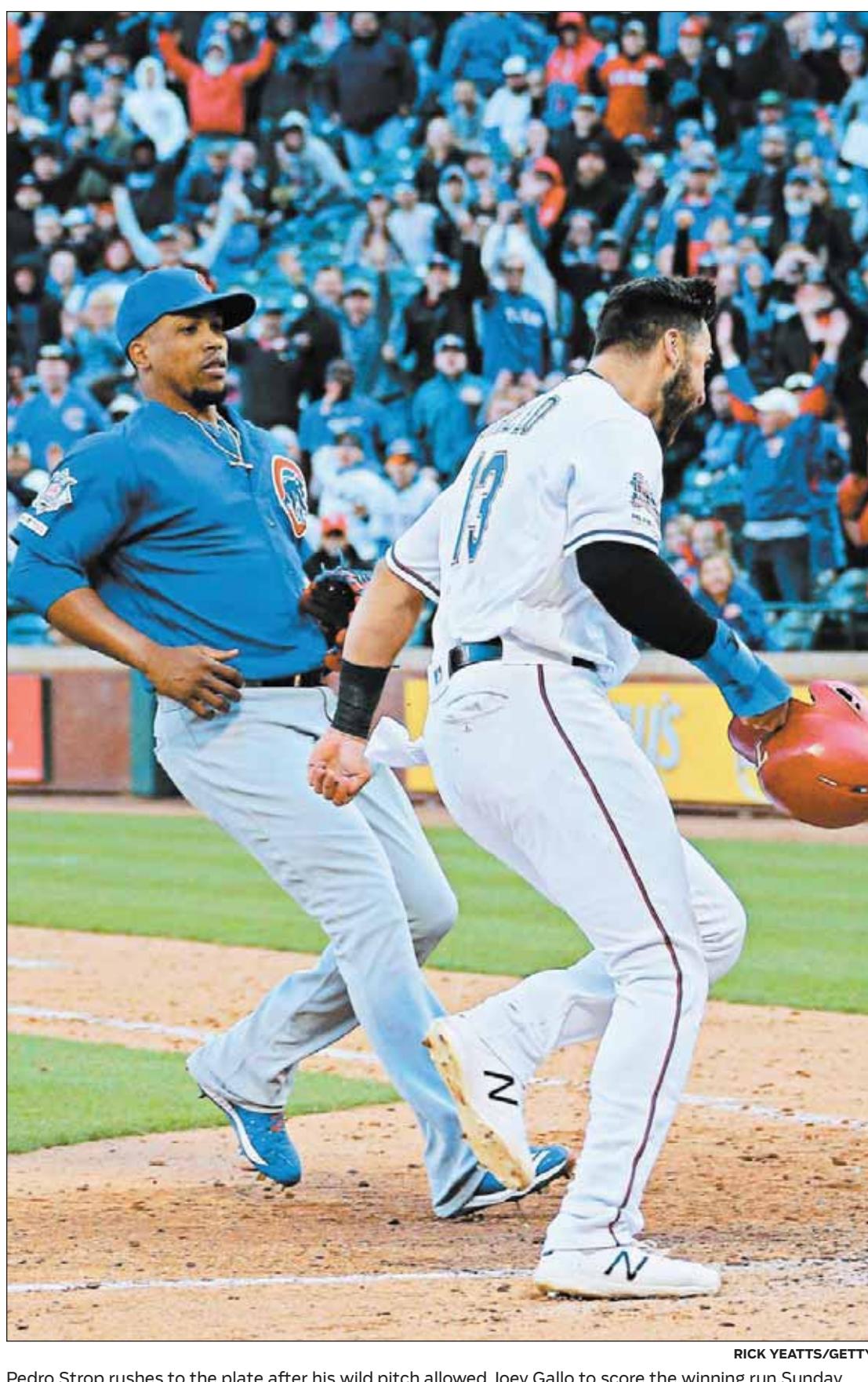
Satou Sabally had 22 points for the Ducks (33-4), who head to Tampa to face the winner of Monday's game between top overall seed Baylor and Iowa.

At the final buzzer, Ionescu jumped into teammate Ruthie Hebard's arms, and coach Kelly Graves flashed an "O" with his hands to the crowd. The Ducks had been eliminated in the Elite Eight the last two seasons.

Teaira McCowan had 19 points and 15 rebounds in her final game for the Bulldogs (33-3), who had played in the NCAA title game in the last two seasons. Two of Mississippi State's losses this season were to Oregon, and the first one was a true road game.

This time, Mississippi State just felt like the away team. Attendance at the Moda Center was announced at 11,534, with the vast majority cheering on the Ducks — a tough draw for a top seed.

Jazzmun Holmes' jumper cut the margin to 84-79 five points with 26.4 seconds to go, but Mississippi State could not catch up.

CUBS

Pedro Strop rushes to the plate after his wild pitch allowed Joey Gallo to score the winning run Sunday.

Cubs: No 'panic'**Cubs, from Page 1**

earned runs on 16 hits (four home runs) and eight walks in 11 2/3 innings.

"We're not going to panic," said Mike Montgomery, who allowed a go-ahead home run to Asdrubal Cabrera to cap a four-run seventh. "We're going to stick with it and stay with the process."

After the Cubs mounted a methodical four-run rally to take an 8-5 lead, the bullpen allowed the Rangers to chip away.

Tyler Chatwood threw nine of 10 pitches for strikes, but one of his strikes was hit for a home run by Jeff Mathis in the bottom of the sixth.

Chatwood was pulled after allowing a single and a walk with two outs in the seventh. In came Montgomery, who gave up a game-tying triple to Nomar Mazara, and Cabrera followed with a two-run homer that grazed the left-field foul pole.

Maddon's biggest concern is Montgomery, who had allowed a two-run homer to the switch-hitting Cabrera in a 12-4 victory on Thursday.

"We've got to get Montgomery

right," Maddon said. "That's his spot there."

Fellow left-hander Randy Rosario wasn't available because he warmed up too much during Saturday's 8-6 loss. Montgomery refused to use his late start in spring training because of shoulder stiffness as an excuse.

"It's frustrating," Montgomery said. "(Our offense) swung it unbelievably the first three games, and we know what our offense is capable of.

"We want to do our part. You can't hang your head. Just keep moving forward."

The Cubs are likely to tweak their bullpen during the course of the season, depending on the opponent. But there are some limitations. Allen Webster, who threw as well as any reliever in spring training, will start the 2019 season at Triple-A Iowa.

If Webster is promoted to the majors, he must stay with the team or risk being lost to waivers because he is out of options.

In the meantime, Maddon will continue to explore the right roles for his relievers until closer Brandon Morrow returns from right elbow surgery, likely in

early May.

"You know what you think you've got, but you've got to keep throwing them out there because things change on a year-by-year basis," Maddon said. "I won't make up my mind too soon about anything. I've got to get them all out there."

That's why Maddon wasn't afraid to use Chatwood, whose wildness cost him a spot in the rotation last season, with a three-run lead in the sixth.

"You have your tried-and-trues and other guys ease into roles maybe more prominent and less prominent, based on what you're seeing right now," Maddon said.

"I've always believed it's about a month break-in before you really understand how to use your guys out there."

The Cubs wasted a three-hit performance by Daniel Descalso in his first start. Descalso started run-scoring rallies in the fourth and sixth and hit an RBI single that tied the game at 10 in the eighth.

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CUBS NOTES**Hamels won't point finger at ump****BY MARK GONZALES**

Chicago Tribune

ARLINGTON, Texas — A few close pitches turned an exceptional performance into a no-decision for Cole Hamels.

At least that's the way Cubs manager Joe Maddon saw it Sunday as the Cubs fell 11-10 to the Rangers.

But Hamels wasn't about to put the focus on a borderline pitch that resulted in a walk for Logan Forsythe. He was simply upset with himself for walking Forsythe and Jeff Mathis — the Rangers' 8-9 hitters — setting up a grand slam by Delino DeShields that wiped out the Cubs' 4-1 lead in the fourth inning.

"I let the bottom of the order get away from me," said Hamels, who allowed five runs on six hits in a 100-pitch outing.

Hamels might have pitched longer had he gotten a third-strike call by plate umpire James Hoye on a pitch to Forsythe. But he knows walking Mathis next really got him into trouble.

"When you build momentum for them, that's when the mistakes happen, and that's when they capitalize," Hamels said.

Still, Maddon said he was impressed with Hamels' performance.

"There were a few discrepancies regarding the strike zone that were not fun to watch," Maddon said. "He gave up the grand slam, but that was after making more good pitches."

Hamels will make his next start Saturday night against the Brewers. Jose Quintana, who pitched four innings of relief on Saturday, will make his first start Friday with Kyle Hendricks pitching the series finale.

Better focus for Darvish: There will be no guarantees when Yu Darvish takes the mound Thursday night against the Braves. With one exception, according to pitching coach Tommy Hottovy.

"You'll get back to seeing a more focused version of him," Hottovy said Sunday, one day

after Darvish walked a career-high seven in only 2 2/3 innings against the Rangers.

Hottovy, like catcher Willson Contreras, contended Darvish might have been too wrapped up pitching against his former teammates for the first time in front of several family members. "All those things play in," Hottovy said. "Taking Yu out of this environment is going to help him get to a place more focused on a new team."

Edwards' move illegal? After Carl Edwards Jr. allowed a game-winning home run Saturday night, the Cubs reliever faces more scrutiny over the pause in his delivery.

For the second time in as many days, Rangers manager Chris Woodward contended that Edwards' moment of hesitation should be called a balk.

Edwards started the pause this spring in an effort to keep in a direct line with home plate, and the results were favorable until Saturday.

WHITE SOX**Sox's Class A team not so intimidating**

New owner to dump nickname honoring legendary Earnhardt

BY PAUL SULLIVAN
Chicago Tribune

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — When the White Sox's Class A affiliate in Kannapolis, N.C., kicks off its 2019 season Thursday, it will mark the final year for the Intimidators.

The team will still be around, but the nickname will be consigned to history.

With the ballclub moving into a new ballpark in Kannapolis in 2020, new owner Andy Sandler decided to hold a contest for fans to choose a new name.

"Giving fans an even better game experience with a new team name, fresh logo and engaging mascot is a very important part of what is ahead for Kannapolis baseball and the city," Sandler said earlier this year in a statement. "We look forward to community participation in this exciting rebrand."

Normally this kind of "exciting rebrand" wouldn't be considered very controversial.

But in the town late NASCAR legend Dale Earnhardt put on the map, ditching the Intimidator name is considered heresy to some fans.

The franchise used to be known as the Piedmont Boll Weevils but changed to the Intimidators in 2001 when Earnhardt bought an ownership stake in his hometown team. Earnhardt was known as "The Intimidator," so it made sense to name the club after him.

Earnhardt died in an accident that February in the Daytona 500, so he never got to enjoy watching the minor-league team named for

him. But it seemed like a perfect tribute to the beloved racer, and the town embraced the Intimidators name over the last 18 years.

The decision to change names obviously disappointed the Earnhardt family. After the news was announced, Dale Earnhardt Jr. tweeted: "I remember how proud dad was of this. What a shame it has to end."

Dale Jr. later tweeted that "if a change is indeed imminent maybe: 'Ironheads' if they want to continue to honor Big E."

The White Sox are staying out of the fray.

"There was an ownership change, they're coming in with new stadium," said Chris Getz, White Sox director of player development. "That's going to be ready for next season. In terms of the name change, we're out of that. I'll certainly support whatever that organization and city wants to do."

Getz, a former White Sox prospect, played 55 games with the Intimidators in 2005, the first year of his professional career. Did he like the nickname?

"Certainly there is some history there with Dale and his family tied into that," he said. "Being a player down there, I have a lot of fond memories being an Intimidator. I know a lot of other people do as well. But this is a business, too, and we've got a new group down there that are trying to do different things, so I understand that as well."

Whatever name they decide upon, it won't go into effect until 2020.

So this will be one last ride for the Intimidators, unless Sandler comes to his senses and decides the best name for Kannapolis is the one the team already has.



Jose Abreu, left, is greeted by Eloy Jimenez after hitting a solo homer in the fourth inning. Yonder Alonso followed Abreu with another solo shot.

Giolito off to strong start**Sullivan, from Page 1**

good note," he said, acknowledging that he has struggled early in seasons past. "I wanted to change that this year and start off on a good note."

How important is it for Giolito to get off to a good start with Cease in the rearview mirror?

"As I tell the players all the time, just control (what you can control)," manager Rick Renteria said, repeating last year's mantra.

"I don't want them to worry about anything on the periphery. It really doesn't matter. For us, Dylan's moved forward. We're watching him from a distance, allowing him to do what he does."

"All I can do right now is hope the players that I have control exactly what they have in front of them. I don't want to give them anything more to consume themselves with. I think that's counterproductive. And they're professionals. They understand. We talk about it a lot. ... Leave the noise off to the side. In human nature it's very easy for us to get consumed with everything that's going on around us, and that happens to everybody."

The Sox stuck with Giolito last year despite his struggles, which included a 6.13 ERA and 4.67 walks per nine innings, both worst among qualifying pitchers. He still made 32 starts and threw 173 1/3 innings. Management's faith in Giolito wasn't lost on him.

"Getting the opportunities I've gotten has been huge for me," he said before Sunday's gem. "The organization, the coaching staff, my teammates sticking with me when I was putting up not great numbers, having some starts when I'm not giving the team a chance to win at all. ... Just having the clubhouse behind me, all these people in my corner who want to see me successful, it just helps give you more confidence in the work you're putting in to improve as a player."

"See if we can build on some of the failures," Renteria said.

"Everybody looks at the successes as things to build on. No, it's the failures you want to take advantage of because those are the things that you're going to learn more from. Once they start understanding the things they shouldn't be doing and really taking to heart and understand the things they need to correct and reapply it, success starts to come."

"How they handle it is probably the biggest thing. He got roughed up a little bit and had some misfires but all in all still handled it as well as he could."

If Sunday's performance can be replicated on a consistent basis, Giolito won't have to look over his shoulder whenever Cease is ready.

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BASEBALL**American League**

TEAM	W	L	PCT	GB	WCBG	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Tampa Bay	3	1	.750	—	—	3-1	W-3	3-1	0-0
Baltimore	2	1	.667	½	—	2-1	W-2	0-0	0-0
Toronto	2	2	.500	1	½	2-2	L-1	2-2	0-0
New York	1	2	.333	1½	1	1-2	L-2	1-2	0-0
Boston	1	3	.250	2	1½	1-3	L-2	0-0	1-3
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCBG	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Kansas City	2	1	.667	—	—	2-1	L-1	2-1	0-0
Minnesota	2	1	.667	—	—	2-1	W-1	2-1	0-0
Detroit	2	2	.500	½	½	2-2	W-1	0-0	0-0
Chicago	1	2	.333	1	1	1-2	W-1	0-0	1-2
Cleveland	1	2	.333	1	1	1-2	L-1	0-0	1-2
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCBG	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Seattle	5	1	.833	—	—	5-1	W-2	3-1	2-0
Texas	2	1	.667	1½	—	2-1	W-2	2-1	0-0
Oakland	3	3	.500	2	½	3-3	W-2	3-3	0-0
Houston	1	3	.250	3	1½	1-3	L-3	0-0	1-3
Los Angeles	1	3	.250	3	1½	1-3	L-2	0-0	1-3

Late games noted below

MONDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	2018 VS. OPP	LAST 3 STARTS	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
StL Wainwright (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 5.0 7.20	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Mil Davies (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-0 6.1 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Cin Roark (R)	5:40p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	1-1 14.0 2.57	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
NY Matz (L)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-0 17.2 1.53	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Mia Smith (L)	6:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	1-0 11.2 3.09	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Chi Hendricks (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Atl Newcomb (L)	6:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 5.1 3.38	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Ari Kelly (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
SD Strahm (L)	9:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 9.1 2.89	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
SF Pomeranz (L)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
LA Urías (L)	9:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 1.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
AMERICAN LEAGUE	2019	TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	2018 VS. OPP	LAST 3 STARTS	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L
Chi Nova (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0
Cle Clevinger (R)	3:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	3-0 21.1 1.27	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Det Ross (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
NY German (R)	5:35p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-1 6.2 5.40	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Bal Hess (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	1-1 19.4 0.95	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Tor Reid-Foley (R)	6:07p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Hou Peacock (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 7.1 7.36	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Tex Smyly (L)	7:05p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Bos Price (L)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-1 7.2 4.70	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Oak Brooks (R)	9:07p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
LA Stratton (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
Sea Hernandez (R)	9:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-2 8.1 12.96	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00
INTERLEAGUE	2019	TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	2018 VS. OPP	LAST 3 STARTS	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L
Col Bettis (R)	0-0 0.00	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0
TB Stanek (R)	6:10p	0-0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-0

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE**AMERICAN LEAGUE****SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

Detroit 4, Toronto 3 (11)
Tampa Bay 3, Houston 1
Minnesota 9, Cleveland 3
Chicago White Sox 6, Kansas City 3
Oakland 2, L.A. Angels 1
Seattle 10, Boston 8
Baltimore 7, N.Y. Yankees 5

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Detroit at N.Y. Yankees, 5:35 p.m.
Baltimore at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.
Colorado at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m.
Houston at Texas, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 7:15 p.m.
Boston at Oakland, 9:07 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

Miami 3, Colorado 0
Pittsburgh 5, Cincinnati 0
Washington 6, N.Y. Mets 5
Milwaukee 5, St. Louis 4
San Diego 3, San Francisco 1
Texas 11, Chicago Cubs 10
L.A. Dodgers 8, Arizona 7
Philadelphia 5, Atlanta 1

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 5:40 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Miami, 6:10 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.



JEFFREY PHELPS/AP

Brewers outfielder Christian Yelich celebrates his walk-off double to beat the Cardinals.

BREWERS 5, CARDINALS 4**HR, walk-off double for Yelich**

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Christian Yelich hit his fourth

homer in the first inning and a two-run double in the ninth, leading the Brewers to a dramatic 5-4 win over the Cardinals on Sunday.

"What we're witnessing is greatness," Brewers slugger Ryan Braun said. "It's absolutely incredible."

Ben Gamel led off the ninth with a pinch-hit double and advanced on Lorenzo Cain's infield single

off reliever Jordan Hicks'

glove. Yelich then hit a liner into the gap in left-center, driving in Gamel and Cain.

Yelich tossed his helmet in the air in celebration as Cain slid face-first across the plate, giving Milwaukee three wins its opening four-game set against rival St. Louis. Yelich's teammates rushed the field and doused the reigning NL MVP with Gatorade in a raucous celebration at second.

Yelich began his day

with a long drive into the second deck in right against Michael Wacha, tying the major-league record for homers in consecutive games to start a season. He also became the first player to win the MVP award and then homer in his first four games of the next season.

"Candidly, I can't recall a series like that," Cardinals manager Mike Shildt said. "I've had some guys that are smoking hot against us, but I've never seen that kind of damage."

AROUND THE HORN

Red Sox: A person familiar with the negotiations says SS

SCOREBOARD

GOLF

PGA CORALES PUNTACANA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

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270 (-18) \$540,000 Graeme McDowell (300) 73-64-64-69

271 (-17) \$264,000 Mackenzie Hughes (135) 69-70-66-66

Chris Stroud (135) 70-68-64-69

272 (-16) \$144,000 Jonathan Byrd (80) 68-67-71-66

273 (-15) \$114,000 Kelly Kraft (63) 70-67-68-68

Chip McDaniel 72-67-71-63

274 (-14) \$93,500 Aaron Baddeley (50) 68-67-68-71

Sungjae Im (50) 67-67-69-71

George McNeill (50) 70-65-71-68

275 (-13) \$78,000 Kramer Hickok (39) 71-68-69-67

D.J. Trahan (39) 69-72-68-66

276 (-12) \$57,000 Sam Burns (31) 68-74-68-66

Joel Dahmen (31) 66-71-72-67

Paul Dunne 66-69-70-71

Grayson Murray (31) 69-69-70-68

Brady Schnell (31) 68-70-69-69

Ben Silverman (31) 70-68-69-69

277 (-11) \$40,500 Dylan Frittelli (28) 71-67-72-67

David Hearn (28) 72-66-69-69

Matt Jones (28) 66-71-73-67

Seth Reeves (28) 69-71-68-69

278 (-10) \$30,000 Jonas Blixt (24) 71-65-70-72

Jim Knous (24) 70-68-70-70

David Lipsky 71-71-66-70

Peter Uihlein (24) 73-68-67-70

279 (-9) \$21,300 Julian Etilain (18) 72-69-66-72

Seungsun Han 71-68-69-71

Stephan Jaeger (18) 69-69-72-69

Kyoung-Hoon Lee (18) 71-68-67-73

Denny McCarthy (18) 69-69-71-70

Sepp Straka (18) 68-70-67-74

Johannatan Vegas (18) 69-69-69-72

280 (-8) \$15,850 Daniel Chopra (13) 73-68-69-70

Ben Crane (13) 70-69-68-73

Thomas Detry 72-66-72-70

Fredie Jacobson (13) 72-67-73-68

Alex Prugh (13) 69-73-68-70

Adam Schenk (13) 71-68-69-72

281 (-7) \$12,300 Dominic Bozzoli (9) 74-67-71-69

Brice Garnett (9) 71-69-71-70

Carlos Ortiz (9) 70-68-73-70

Rory Sabbatini (9) 69-73-70-69

Brendon Todd (9) 70-71-68-72

282 (-6) \$8,670 Charlie Beljan (6) 70-69-72-71

Roberto Diaz (6) 68-74-67-73

Brandon Harkins (6) 73-69-69-71

Martin Piller (6) 70-72-67-73

Seamus Power (6) 72-68-72-70

Wes Roach (6) 71-71-68-72

Shawn Stefani (6) 74-67-70-71

Tyron Van Aswegen (6) 70-68-75-69

283 (-5) \$6,926 Max Homa (4) 70-70-71-72

John Merrick (4) 72-68-71-72

Cameron Tringale (4) 72-69-70-72

Chris Couch (4) 70-72-70-71

Joey Garber (4) 71-71-70-71

Curtis Luck (4) 71-71-72-71

Hunter Mahan (4) 74-68-72-69

284 (-4) \$6,630 Sangmoon Bae (3) 70-68-72-74

Tyler Duncan (3) 71-71-70-72

285 (-3) \$6,450 Jim Herman (3) 69-70-76-70

Hank Lebioda (3) 71-71-71-72

Trey Mullinax (3) 71-70-69-75

Charl Schwartzel (3) 71-71-72-71

286 (-2) \$6,270 Harris English (2) 71-70-75-70

Parker McLachlin (2) 69-70-71-76

287 (-1) \$6,150 John Chin (2) 71-70-75-75

John Senden (2) 73-68-75-71

290 (+2) \$5,970 Jason Bohn (2) 76-65-77-72

Derek Fathauer (2) 73-66-74-77

Julio Santos 72-70-73-75

Ryan Vermeer 72-70-77-71

293 (+5) \$5,820 Chad Campbell (2) 73-69-76-75

298 (+10) \$5,760 Omar Uresti (2) 73-69-79-77

LPGA KIA CLASSIC

4th of 4 rds; Aviara GC; Carlsbad, Calif.; 6,600 yards; par 72

270 (-18) \$270,000 Nasa Hataoka 69-70-64-67

273 (-15) \$102,114 Danielle Kang 72-70-66-65

Jin Young Ko 68-73-67-65

Azahara Munoz 70-68-68-67

Sung Hyun Park 68-66-71-68

Inbee Park 68-67-67-71

274 (-14) \$41,105 Hyo Joo Kim 70-72-70-62

Chella Choi 65-70-72-67

Gaby Lopez 68-70-68-68

Mi Jung Hur 74-69-62-69

Thidapa Suwannapura 68-66-70-70

275 (-13) \$31,480 Stacy Lewis 71-68-69-67

276 (-12) \$27,762 Katherine Kirk 72-69-70-65

Jing Yan 68-73-66-69

Lydia Ko 71-69-67-69

277 (-11) \$24,015 Jeongeun Lee6 73-67-69-68

Marijó Uribe 68-69-69-71

278 (-10) \$22,306 Jenny Shin 71-68-68

CHAMPIONS RAPISCAN CLASSIC

4th of 4 rds; Fallen Oak; Biloxi, Miss.; 7,088 yds; par 72; playoff between Patel and Suther suspended (darkness); will resume Monday.

209 (-7) Scott Patel 68-72-69

Kevin Sutherland 65-69-75

210 (-6) Billy Andrade 71-68-71

211 (-5) Marco Dawson 65-72-74

Bernhard Langer 71-72-69

Wes Short 70-73-69

Steve Stricker 73-70-69

213 (-3) Brandt Jobe 71-71-71

John Daly 71-71-71

Kent Jones 69-72-72

214 (-2) Billy Mayfair 71-71-72

Vijay Singh 69-72-73

Jeff Sluman 68-73-73

Colin Montgomerie 70-71-73

215 (-1) Kenny Perry 71-73-71

Tom Byrum 68-72-75

216 (even) Tim Petrovic 70-75-71

Olin Browne 71-73-72

Gene Sauers 72-70-74

Fred Couples 69-70-77

Duffy Waldorf 71-69-76

217 (+1) Tom Gillis 73-71-73

Ken Tanigawa 73-71-73

Joe Durant 72-70-75

WEBCOM SAVANNAH CHAMPIONSHIP

4th of 4 rds; Landings Club; Deer Creek GC; Savannah, Ga.; 7,128 yds; par 72

272 (-16) \$99,000 Dan McCarthy 65-67-71-69

273 (-15) \$59,400 Scottie Scheffler 71-65-67-70

274 (-14) \$28,600 Brian Campbell 69-67-69-69

Brett Coletta 66-70-68-70

Kevin Lucas 66-67-73-68

275 (-13) \$19,800 Cameron Percy 67-72-69-67

276 (-12) \$17,738 Joseph Bramlett 67-70-70-69

Timothy Madigan 68-68-67-73

278 (-10) \$14,850 Jamie Arnold 69-71-73-65

Wade Binfield 69-68-68-73

Brett Stegmaier 71-69-68-70

HERO INDIAN OPEN

4th of 4 rds; DLF Golf & CC; New Delhi;

BULLS

Lemon's basketball odyssey has 'crazy' twist

Former Julian, Bradley star may start against Knicks

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

The surreal moments keep coming for Walt Lemon Jr.

As if authoring an impressive Bulls debut in front of family and friends at his hometown United Center on Saturday wasn't enough, the undrafted guard from Julian and Bradley worked with the starting unit at Sunday's practice and is scheduled to hear his name called in Monday's lineup introductions at Madison Square Garden.

"That's crazy," Lemon said Sunday at the Advocate Center.

With Saturday's loss to the Raptors, the Bulls clinched at least the league's fourth-worst record and the accompanying 12.5 percent odds to win the No. 1 pick in the May 14 draft lottery. With seven regular rotation players out, the Bulls still own a chance to finish with one of the league's three-worst records, which increase those odds to 14 percent.

But with the third-worst Cavaliers two games clear with five games to play and facing a tough remaining schedule, that scenario is a long shot — kind of like Lemon's story.

When the Windy City Bulls lost at Westchester, N.Y., on Wednesday in the G League playoffs, Lemon thought his season was over. Now, he's scheduled to start in an arena many call the mecca of basketball that's just 35 miles from Westchester.

"When I got called up last year, I wasn't used to the pace and athleticism of the NBA," Lemon said of his five-game stint with the Pelicans. "That's something I had to adjust to. This time around, I did a better job of pacing myself and knowing my game. I wasn't trying to force nothing. Just play the right way. Keep finding my teammates. And when the opportunities presented themselves, attack the rim, which I know I'm good at. I just wanted to be aggressive."

"I think I played pretty well for this to be my first NBA game in a while and to play a lot of minutes. I put a lot of hard work in my craft. I've got a lot of work to do. I have not arrived yet."

Lemon, 26, will be looking to build on his impressive debut, which featured him posting 19 points, six assists, four rebounds and four steals in 31 minutes.

Lemon had quite an eventful night. He took a hard spill early after trying to drive on Raptors big man Serge Ibaka. He drew a double-technical foul when he and Kyle Lowry exchanged shoves and words. He lost a shoe while scoring on a drive. And he fouled a 3-point shooter.

"If you would have told me a couple of days ago that I was going to play 30 minutes against the Raptors — the No. 2 team in the East — on the Bulls' floor, let alone play 30 minutes in an NBA game, period, I wouldn't believe you," Lemon said. "This is definitely a surreal moment for me. And I'm going to never forget it. I'm going to cherish this moment for the rest of my life."

Lemon, a teenager when his father died, said he wears No. 25 for three reasons. Derrick Rose, his favorite player, wore it at Simeon. To honor Ben Wilson, the Simeon star who was shot and killed in 1984 before his senior season.

"If you wear No. 25, that means something coming from Chicago," Lemon said.

And Lemon also chose it because his mother wore the number when she played high school volleyball.

"We have a special relationship," Lemon said. "I wanted to represent her well."

Lemon admitted to having nerves during warmups. He credited the coaches and veterans Robin Lopez and Zach LaVine for encouraging him, which gave him confidence.

Lemon said he never spotted his mom in the stands. But he knew she was there.

"My mom tried to play the tough-mother role," he said. "She's not really good at expressing her feelings, but she was proud seeing me on that floor, especially with 25 on and playing at home and she doesn't have to travel or watch me on TV. I was looking for her, but I couldn't spot her because I was in my own little zone."

The Bulls have officially ruled Denzel Valentine, Chandler Hutchison, Wendell Carter Jr. and Lauri Markkanen out for the season. But coach Jim Boylen said LaVine, Kris Dunn and Otto Porter Jr. won't play on the two-game trip, so the surprise would be if any play in the remaining three games.

Along those lines, the Bulls were allowed to sign JaKarr Sampson to a 10-day contract. Sampson averaged 21.1 points and 9.2 rebounds for the Windy City Bulls after participating in training camp with the Bulls.

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BLACKHAWKS

RINGO H.W. CHIU/AP

Blackhawks forward Alex DeBrincat gets excited Saturday night after scoring his 41st goal of the season, tying Patrick Kane for the team lead.

3 TAKEAWAYS

As Hawks fall, DeBrincat rises

Elimination is near, but young forward ties Kane for team goals lead

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

The Blackhawks embarked on a three-game West Coast trip needing to take all six points to stay in the playoff race. That didn't come close to happening and they'll return to Chicago facing the possibility of elimination Monday night at the United Center.

The Hawks finished 1-1-1 on their trip after Saturday night's 3-2 overtime loss to the Kings and will be eliminated from postseason contention if they lose to the Jets and the Avalanche beat the Blues on Monday.

Even a perfect trip probably wouldn't have saved the Hawks, who were once again far from perfect against a really bad Kings team.

Here are three takeaways from Saturday night's game.

1. The Western Conference-worst Kings completed a three-game sweep of the Hawks.

A 2-1 shootout loss to the Kings on Nov. 16 at the United Center can be forgiven because it came as the Hawks were in the throes of their worst stretch of the season, getting outscored 87-50 while going 3-16-3. Their three wins were a pair of one-goal wins over the Blues and Panthers, and a 3-1 win over the Wild in which they scored an empty-netter.

But by March the Hawks were a different team. They were in the thick of the wild-card race and just a week earlier had been in a playoff spot for a few hours. Then they rolled into Los Angeles and inexplicably played one of their worst games in months.

That 6-3 loss was crushing, not just because it cost them two points but because it wasn't who they were at the time. After losing to the Kings, the Hawks gave a solid effort in a loss to the Sharks then went on a five-game winning streak.

Saturday's 3-2 shootout loss to the Kings wasn't as dreadful as the one earlier this month, but it was a game they should have had. Giving up three of four points this month to one of the NHL's worst teams was hard for coach Jeremy Colliton to stomach.

"Yeah, that hurts for sure," Colliton told reporters. "Three points would help us, but you build a body of work over the season and we put ourselves in a pretty big hole. We've played well for a long stretch that allowed us to be in the race. It's still

pretty disappointing when we're in as tough a spot as it gets right now."

2. Fight to the finish: Alex DeBrincat vs. Patrick Kane.

With the playoffs out of reach, a storyline that should be fun to follow over the last week of the season will be the battle between Kane and DeBrincat for the team goal-scoring title.

For much of the season, Kane was threatening to become the Hawks' first 50-goal scorer since Jeremy Roenick had 50 during the 1992-93 season. But he has scored just once in his last 14 games.

Meanwhile, DeBrincat scored his 41st goal in Saturday's loss to the Kings to tie him with Kane. It was the first time since Oct. 23 that Kane didn't hold the team lead by himself.

This is the second straight season Kane and DeBrincat enter the final four games with the same number of goals. They each had 27 last season until DeBrincat's goal in the third-to-last game allowed him to overtake Kane and finish as the Hawks' leading goal scorer with 28.

3. Brendan Perlini back to being a healthy scratch.

Perhaps no Hawk has had a more enigmatic season than Perlini, who came to the Hawks in November with Dylan Strome in the trade that sent Nick Schmaltz to the Coyotes.

Strome quickly established himself as one of the Hawks' core players while Schmaltz showed the Coyotes enough in 17 games before suffering a season-ending knee injury to convince them to sign him to a seven-year, \$40.95 million extension.

Perlini had four points (one goal, three assists) in his first 29 games with the Hawks and was a frequent healthy scratch. When Drake Caggiula suffered a concussion on Feb. 27, Perlini was given another opportunity and responded with eight goals in seven games during a stretch when nobody else on the Hawks scored more than two goals.

Then, as quickly as the goals appeared, they dried up. Perlini hasn't had a point in his last six games and during Thursday's loss to the Sharks he only had 5 minutes, 44 seconds of ice time. On Saturday, with Caggiula playing his first game since his concussion, Perlini was once again watching the game in street clothes.

Perlini, who turns 23 next month, is a restricted free agent after the season and should still be inexpensive enough and promising enough that the Hawks will want to retain him.

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AUTO RACING & GOLF**NASCAR**

Penalties aren't costly for Hamlin

His 'superfast car' bails him out of issues on pit road

By STEPHEN HAWKINS
Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — Denny Hamlin raced to his second NASCAR Cup victory of the season, overcoming two penalties on pit road and missing the entry another time during green flag conditions Sunday in Texas.

While Hamlin led the final 12 laps, and 45 of the 334 overall, Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Kyle Busch missed out on a chance for a tripleheader weekend sweep.

"We had a superfast car, and that's why we won," Hamlin said. "I missed pit road under green, that cost three or four seconds as well. We tried every way that we could to give it away."

"I was just beating my head against the steering wheel thinking, 'Man, we're going to finish bad with a really fast race car. We just kept digging ... We kept passing cars and passing cars."

Hamlin's No. 11 Toyota finished more than 2.7 seconds ahead of Clint Bowyer. The race, which had only three cautions outside the two stage stoppages, featured 27 lead changes among 13 drivers.

It was the 33rd career victory for Hamlin. He won the season-opening Daytona 500 after he went winless last year to end a streak of 12 consecutive seasons getting into victory lane.

His third win at Texas was his first since sweeping both races at the 1 1/2-mile track in 2010.



JARED C. TILTON/GETTY
Denny Hamlin celebrates after claiming his second Cup Series win of the season Sunday at Texas Motor Speedway.

WGC MATCH PLAY

In return to final, Kisner gets it right

By DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

strong and led to another lost hole.

He won for the third time in his career, this victory worth \$1,745,000.

"It's tough to maintain the high level of play the entire tournament," Kuchar said.

"You hope to do it and I feel like I've kind of built a game that I could rely on playing some good, steady golf. But I gave too many holes away. I knew against Kisner I couldn't do it, and he just plodded along and let me make mistakes. And that was good playing by Kevin."

Kisner had to play 120 holes over seven matches in five days, a week that began with a loss to Ian Poulter in group play. Kisner became the first player to win the Match Play with a loss during the round-robin portion, which began in 2015.

The second straight All-American final resulted in a sixth consecutive U.S. victory in the World Golf Championships.

Kisner first had to get past British Open champion Francesco Molinari, so dominant that he had never played the 18th hole in five previous matches this week. Molinari birdied the 16th and 17th holes to tie the match, but on the 18th, the Italian three-putted from 25 feet above the hole as Kisner advanced.

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On great day for racing, cloud hangs over track

BY BILL PLASCHKE

Los Angeles Times

ARCADIA, Calif. — Seven horses draped in brightly colored silks thunder across the shadow of the splendid San Gabriel Mountains in a breathtaking combination of beauty and speed.

The small crowd is silent.

"I'm holding my breath," says race-goer B.J. Ravitz.

It's the first race at Santa Anita Park in nearly a month, a close contest, powerful animals dueling down the stretch, dirt flying, jockeys bobbing, high drama.

There are few cheers in a sea of stares.

"Everyone is worried about the horses," said Abe Ravitz, the husband of B.J. "All I'm thinking is, if anything untoward happens today."

The race ends clean, all seven horses crossing the finish line, and only then is there audible applause from the crowd, a reaction seemingly generated by the one outcome that everyone here is betting on.

No horse died.

"OK," said racegoer Frank Reynoso, taking a deep breath. "That's one."

It was that kind of a tightrope afternoon Friday as Santa Anita opened its doors for the first time since March 5, after 22 horses died in a little more than two months of its winter/spring meet, a 214 percent increase from the same span the year before.

The Stronach Group, owners of the track, has since made minor modifications to a track that was badly compromised with the unseasonably rainy winter weather. They also have revised medication policies and prohibited jockeys using the whip unless for safety reasons.

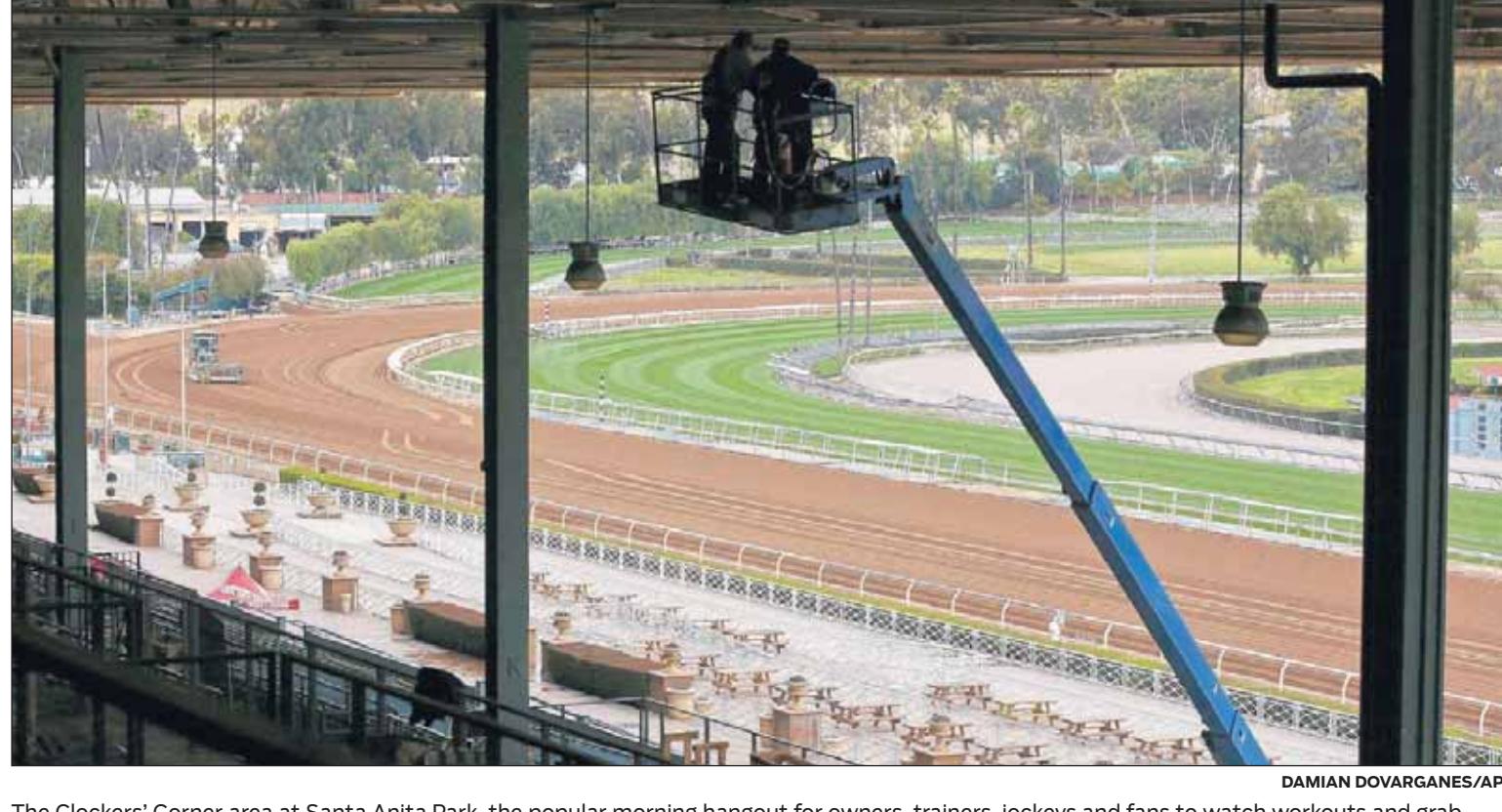
But because there was no clear reason for the deaths, there could be no clear answers. That's why so many people showed up at the track Friday with nerves jangling and fingers crossed.

For now, there is relief. In eight races, there were no fatalities, which brought a giant collective sigh. But everyone agrees that the healing of what's arguably Southern California's most picturesque sporting venue is just beginning.

"This is going to take a while," said horse owner Samantha Siegel, sitting in a near-empty terrace section.

"The public is probably a little shell-shocked at what's going on. We've gotten a lot of bad exposure from everywhere. We're going to need to go a long time without having something horrible happen."

The crowd was reminded of the trouble before even entering the track, as several dozen protesters



DAMIAN DOVARGANES/AP

The Clockers' Corner area at Santa Anita Park, the popular morning hangout for owners, trainers, jockeys and fans to watch workouts and grab breakfast, was empty earlier this month when the track was closed after the deaths of 20-plus horses.



MARK RALSTON/GETTY-AFP

Animal-rights advocates protest the deaths of 20-plus racehorses in the first two months of this year at Santa Anita.

stood on a grassy area outside the front gate waving signs and chanting.

"You say the track was safe to use but nothing's changed, you bet, they lose," they sang.

One of the signs read, "Stop Killing Horses." One of the protesters was dressed in a horse's head, and the message was clear.

"Horse racing needs to be abolished" said Heather Hamza, leading what she called a group of concerned citizens backed by the group known as Horseracing Wrongs.

"The world is watching this

track. Every horse that is killed here will make big headlines. We need to be part of those headlines because we're telling them to stop it."

Hamza and her group urged the race-goers to look beyond the beauty of the sport.

"When you're watching a horse race, it's magnificent, it's beautiful, it's breathtaking," she said. "But that doesn't mean there's not a dark, dirty, gritty underbelly behind it."

Once inside, fans were met with the usual promising announcements — "Welcome to Santa Anita

Park! The track is fast and the turf course is firm!" — and folks cheered the return of ailing trainer Jay Cohen. But it wasn't the same.

While the typically loud race-track cheering returned in later races, there was a pall over the place as everyone tried to adjust.

"We're saddened by everything that has happened," said Reynoso, a retiree. "The sport is so great, the horses are so beautiful, it's been hard to see."

Reynoso paused and added, "But they're going to race whether we're here or not, and we love it here, so we're coming."

In the first race, Reynoso bet on a horse named Ride Out the Storm.

"That could be a great name for what could happen here, right?" he said.

The horse finished fifth, 16 1/4 lengths behind Discrete Stevie B, ridden by jockey Aaron T. Gryder, who later said he was just glad to be back.

"I love getting on the horse, the feeling that I get, becoming one with them, the fast speed,

communicating with them, I love it all," Gryder said. "It's unfortunate what happened, but they are not only taking care of the things that might be wrong, but they're being proactive so that other things can't occur."

Gryder was asked if he was holding his breath for his horse's health. He said no, implying that it would be impossible to ride with death on your mind.

"That's not something that can

be thought about," he said. "I want only the best for these animals. They've given me the best in my life."

Gryder added, "Everybody wants the same thing — horsemen, jockeys, trainers, backside, management. Everybody cares most about the safety of horse and riders."

Doug O'Neill, a two-time Kentucky Derby-winning trainer, echoed that sentiment from his suite.

"For the first time in my more than 30 years here, I saw today where the majority of horsemen are on the same team rooting for each other's horses to compete well and come back safe," he said. "We just want horses to be safe, and we're taking it one race at a time."

Even after the eight races had gone off safely, Santa Anita's boss agreed it had been a difficult day.

"It's hard to get excited about being back when we had such a bad run of catastrophic injuries," said Tim Ritvo, chief operating officer for The Stronach Group.

"You have to really look at yourself and say, are we doing the right thing, how can we get it better, how can we improve it?"

He acknowledged the somber atmosphere was not only expected but almost by design.

"It was kind of a quiet introductory," he said.

"It wasn't like we went out and marketed and said, 'C'mon back here!'"

So, once again, they're off and running at Santa Anita. But to where, who knows?



AMANDA LEE MYERS/AP

Horses are led to paddocks past the Seabiscuit statue during workouts at Santa Anita, as members of the California Horse Racing Board weighed new safety and medication rules in the wake of 22 horse deaths during a meeting at the track Thursday. A 23rd horse died Sunday.

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CHRIS O'MEARA/AP

Phillies pitcher Jake Arrieta's numbers have been declining for the last few years, but the right-hander thinks he can reverse that regression in his effectiveness since his Cy Young year.

Bounce-back by Arrieta could be key for Phillies

BY SCOTT LAUBER
Philadelphia Inquirer

Jake Arrieta trudged away from the mound after the second inning last Sept. 22 in Atlanta. In a game that the Phillies needed to win to forestall the Braves' clinching a division title, the former Cy Young Award winner turned in the shortest start of his career.

And for the next six months, wherever he went, he felt as if he was sucking on a lemon.

"The Braves doing what they did to us last year, not that there has to be a chip on our shoulder, but a lot of guys in here remember the way it shook down for us," Arrieta said this past week. "The way the season finished, we don't want that to happen again."

There's no better motivator than failure. And for as much as the not-ready-for-prime-time Phillies failed collectively during a miserable collapse last August and September, Arrieta stood out. He posted a 6.82 ERA and allowed 40 hits, nine home runs, and 15 walks in 34 1/3 innings over his final seven starts. The magnitude of his struggles was both profound and surprising.

Just the same, if the rebuilt Phillies are going to fulfill their lofty expectations in Year 1 of the Bryce Harper Era, Arrieta will be at the center of it all. It's fitting, then, that he made his first start Sunday night in a nationally televised game against the Braves. As the man on the mound, he had to face a glare shining on him that was entirely appropriate.

"Sunday Night Baseball" is a big deal. The spotlight is huge, the media attention is huge," manager Gabe Kapler said. "We feel like Jake is really good in that kind of an environment."

The Phillies need Arrieta to be good in all environments, just as he was during a four-year peak with the Cubs during which he ranked among the best pitchers in baseball.

Four of the eight teams that qualified for the playoffs last season had at least two starting pitchers who worked at least 150 innings and ranked among the top 30 in earned-run average. The Indians had four, the Astros had

three. The Phillies had only ace Aaron Nola.

Yet the starting rotation went untouched amid the Phillies' offseason roster overhaul. They reasoned that none of the free-agent pitchers beyond lefty Patrick Corbin, including still-unsigned Dallas Keuchel, represented an upgrade over their incumbent starters. It was a calculated gamble.

Much of the rotation's success hinges on the continuing development of young right-handers Nick Pivetta, Zach Eflin, and Vince Velasquez. But a resurgence from Arrieta might be even more important.

If the Phillies are shopping for pitching before the July 31 trade deadline, they will find the asking price for a solid No. 4 starter to be far more reasonable than for a No. 2.

"We're extremely confident in Jake," pitching coach Chris Young said as spring training dawned. "He's a guy who was one of the best pitchers in baseball. A two-month stretch where he doesn't pitch up to his consistent level of performance isn't going to steer us away from a guy that we're lucky to have."

It's more than that, though. Since his Cy Young season in 2015, Arrieta's numbers have declined. His ERA rose to 3.10 in 2016, 3.53 in 2017, and 3.96 last season after signing a three-year, \$75 million contract with the Phillies. His walks/hits per inning pitched climbed from 1.084 in 2016 to 1.218 in 2017 and 1.286 last year, while his strikeouts per nine innings fell from 9.3 to 8.7 to 7.2.

But the Phillies cite two reasons for believing that Arrieta, at age 33, can halt his regression. They say he's healthy after pitching the second half of last season with a meniscus tear in his left knee that necessitated minor surgery in January. He also has reverted to the mechanics that he used during his salad days in Chicago.

Arrieta didn't realize anything had changed until late last season. In watching video of Arrieta with the Cubs, Phillies player information coordinator Sam Fuld discovered that the right-hander altered his arm angle from the



MATT SLOCUM/AP

Jake Arrieta says that adjusting his arm angle this season should take care of some of his struggles from last season.

high three-quarter slot that he used previously. Arrieta suspects the change might have been a consequence of a truncated spring training after not signing with the Phillies until March.

"The majority of it was unintentional," he said. "I just got into some bad habits. I struggled with it the majority of the year. It was something that I needed to reset, have the offseason, and under-

stand the progression through my throwing program. It was one of the main things on my mind."

So much so that Arrieta and Young met for lunch in January near the pitcher's home in Austin, Texas, to discuss fixing it.

By lowering his arm slot, Arrieta said, he gets more downward movement, a critical component for a sinkerballer. In 2015, Arrieta had a 56.2 percent ground ball rate and got weak contact 22.8 percent of the time. Last year, his ground ball rate dipped to 51.6 percent, his weak-contact rate to 18.5 percent.

"There's a healthier Jake, a more motivated Jake, a more focused Jake," Kapler said. "Health always leads to confidence, and confidence leads to more motivation. You can see that kind of snowballing."

It will help, too, that the Phillies should be better at turning balls in play into outs. They were the worst defensive team in baseball last season, and Arrieta even ripped their ineffective deployment of infield shifts after a June 3 start in San Francisco. But adding shortstop Jean Segura, moving Rhys Hoskins back to first base, putting Andrew McCutchen in left field, and hiring well-regarded infield coach Bobby Dickerson should help.

"There were times last year he tried maybe to outpitch what we weren't doing behind him," Young said. "Knowing that the defense is going to be improved will greatly help Jake Arrieta."

Arrieta had his moments. He had a 2.16 ERA through the end of May and punctuated a strong July by giving up one run in seven innings against the Red Sox at Fenway Park. In his first start of August, he shut out the Diamondbacks for eight innings.

But the ensuing starts are what stuck with Arrieta. Everything that has happened since has turned the Phillies into a playoff-caliber team, but only if the second-best starter does his part.

"The more Sunday night games you're playing, it means the better your team is playing," Arrieta said. "We look forward to having a lot of those this year, and if we take care of business, we feel like we will."



Jordan Peele slips into Rod Serling's old job as the host of the latest reboot of "The Twilight Zone" on CBS All Access.

ROBERT FALCONER/CBS PHOTOS



In "The Lost Boys" (1987), the threat comes from above ...

Is Chicago in the Twilight Zone?

As Jordan Peele reboots the series, a look at these strange times



CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

There is another dimension. Not only of sight and sound but of mind.

A dimension as vast as space and timeless as infinity, a middle ground between science and superstition, and you can find it here, in the Midwest. Specifically, in a residential section of Humboldt Park. *This is the Twilight Zone.*

Or rather, it was. For a time, in the 1970s and 1980s, when the intersection was a gang stronghold and drug market, the nickname stuck — the corner of

Rockwell Street and Potomac Avenue, aka the Twilight Zone.

Today, drive a few blocks east of Humboldt Park, and the idea of one universe parked alongside a starkly disparate universe means something entirely different: You take a step or two out of neighborhoods lined with mixed-income housing and working-class apartments and find yourself among Wicker Park townhouses and trendy restaurants.

This is the contemporary Twilight Zone — a gloaming where divergent worlds bleed into each other — and of course, it's far from the only Twilight Zone you can find in Chicago.

It's also not another dimension.

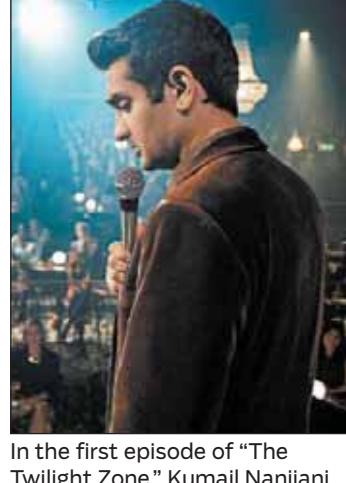
It's this dimension, right now. Indeed, as CBS All Access begins

the latest reboot of "The Twilight Zone," now hosted by Jordan Peele, it's worth asking what such a TV series should even look like in a moment not exactly hurting for alternative realities. Perhaps you've heard: We live in a country of extreme inequality, at a time of intensely polarized political and social worlds, nuzzled by technology and media that serves to amplify the illusion that the universe you know is the only universe that exists.

We live in Twilight Zone, USA (pop. 327 million).

Still, by all means, check out the new "Twilight Zone" — which is mostly good, by the way — and while you're at it, binge a few episodes of the original 1960s Rod Serling series. Despite

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In the first episode of "The Twilight Zone," Kumail Nanjiani plays a comic who makes a Faustian deal for applause that he may come to regret.

Surprising influences behind scary hit 'Us'

BY JEN YAMATO
Los Angeles Times

Like Adelaide Wilson, the heroine of "Us," Jordan Peele was a wide-eyed kid poring over all things pop culture in the 1980s, when everything from scary movies to Michael Jackson's "Thriller" imprinted indelibly on his young psyche.

As a result, a cornucopia of movie references abound in "Us," adding further layers to Peele's record-breaking horror tale about a family battling their own

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Pimpinone' ★★★ 1/2

Haymarket brings back a 1725 comic romp by Telemann

BY HOWARD REICH
Chicago Tribune

Can an obscure opera from 1725 with a cast of just two, a bare-bones plot bordering on the absurd and a production using early instruments and historic performance techniques reach a contemporary audience?

Absolutely, as Haymarket Opera Company proved Saturday night in updating its 2013 production of Georg Philipp Telemann's "Pimpinone."

This time, though, Haymarket presented the comic vignette not at the intimate Mayne Stage, in Rogers Park, but at the spacious Studebaker Theater downtown. The transition was effective, thanks to the singers who revived

their roles as dueling lovers in a satirically far-fetched battle of the sexes and the classes.

Were it not for soprano Erica Schuller's hilariously exaggerated acting and baritone Ryan de Ryke's almost-as-funny responses, "Pimpinone" might have seemed a cardboard-thin sketch barely worthy of Telemann's meticulously crafted score.

Indeed, the work originated as a series of intermezzos designed to unfold between acts of a weightier opera. But "Pimpinone" can holds its own, especially when expanded to include Telemann instrumental works as curtain raisers for each intermezzo, with Haymarket artistic director Craig



CHARLES OSGOOD PHOTO
Erica Schuller and Ryan de Ryke star in Haymarket Opera Company's production of Telemann's "Pimpinone."

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Ryan Coogler won best director for "Black Panther" at Saturday's NAACP Image Awards in Los Angeles.

'Black Panther,' Beyoncé win big at NAACP awards

Beyoncé was named entertainer of the year at the 50th annual NAACP Image Awards that highlighted works by entertainers and writers of color.

After Beyoncé accepted the award Saturday night in Los Angeles, the superstar paid homage to the people who were nominated in the same category as her. She beat out Los Angeles Lakers superstar LeBron James, Regina King, Chadwick Boseman and director Ryan Coogler.

"Regina King, I love you so much. You taught us patience, persistence and how to be masterful in your craft," she said. "Chadwick Boseman is teaching children to dream and to be seen as kings. LeBron James has taught us the strength of all forms, leading by example and providing education to our kids. Ryan Coogler tells our stories in a way that celebrates our history and proves we do have power."

Beyoncé added: "I'm honored to be included among all of you, and to be a part of a vital and thriving community. Thank you to the NAACP."

"Black Panther" was awarded best motion picture and won in several other categories, including best actor in a motion picture (Boseman), supporting actor in a motion picture (Michael B. Jordan) and directing in a motion picture (Coogler).

"Empire" actor Jussie Smollett, who lost to Jessie Williams of "Grey's Anatomy" in the supporting actor in a drama series category, did not attend the awards.

— Associated Press

Box office

1. "Dumbo," \$45 million
2. "Us," \$33.6 million
3. "Captain Marvel," \$20.5 million
4. "Five Feet Apart," \$6.3 million
5. "Unplanned," \$6.1 million
6. "Wonder Park," \$4.9 million
7. "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World," \$4.2 million
8. "Hotel Mumbai," \$3.2 million
9. "A Madea Family Funeral," \$2.7 million
10. "The Beach Bum," \$1.8 million

SOURCE: Associated Press
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CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP 2012

Museum to feature Dylan's paintings:

A Tulsa, Okla., museum soon will open a new Bob Dylan exhibit that will showcase 12 pastel portraits the musician painted. The Gilcrease Museum will display "Bob Dylan: Face Value and Beyond" from May 10 to Sept. 15. The exhibit is filled with pieces from the Bob Dylan Archives, which has more than 100,000 items from his 60-year career. It will also include handwritten song lyrics, a black leather jacket, an electric guitar and screen tests filmed by Andy Warhol.

April birthdays: Actress Jane Powell is 90. Actress Ali MacGraw is 80. Reggae singer Jimmy Cliff is 71. Keyboardist Billy Currie is 69. Singer Susan Boyle is 58. Rapper-actor Method Man is 48. Actor Taran Killam is 37. Actor Asa Butterfield is 22.



ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Best-laid birth plans often go awry

Dear Amy: I'm happily married and expecting my first child in a couple of months. We've just learned that my father-in-law has to have a triple bypass — on the same day I am due to give birth.

Because of complications, I am going to be having a C-section, so the birth is scheduled. Even though it breaks my husband's heart to have to choose, he has decided that he must be there for his dad.

His parents live several states away, so he's planning a few days' worth of travel to be with his folks. My sister will be attending the birth with me. My husband will meet our baby over FaceTime that day.

While I completely understand wanting to be there for his father with such a serious surgery, I am heartbroken that he will miss the birth.

I'm emotional right now anyway (due to the hormones), and I haven't been able to stop crying. It hurts my husband that he can't be in both places at once, and I know my crying hurts him, but I can't stop.

Am I just selfish? How do I get over it?
— Expectant

Dear Expectant: There seem to be options that your husband could explore in order to attend both of these important events. I'm taking it as a given that your father-in-law's surgery can't be rescheduled (but can it?). And given that yours is a scheduled C-section, I'm wondering if there are also scheduling options for you.

When it comes to child-birth, there are no abso-

lutes. Best-laid birth plans must often be cast aside (you could go into labor before your scheduled C-section, for instance).

Your first duty is to your health, and thus your child's. You should look for ways to calm yourself;

constant crying is not good for any of you. Nor do I think this is necessarily "normal" or "hormonal." You should check in with your physician right away. If you practice deep, meditative breathing (the way you've practiced in your birthing class), it will help you now, through the birth and afterward.

Many, many fathers have not been able to attend the birth of their children, due to any number of reasons, including military service. Even though it might seem like it now, this is not the end of the world. It is merely part of a very long story with many and varied chapters.

I certainly hope your husband dials in very closely to your needs once your child is born.

Dear Amy: My husband and I, along with one friend, are taking a trip. We have already paid for and split the three-bedroom house three ways.

Since we have a bedroom no one will be using, my husband wants to invite two other people, but he says they cannot afford to pay. He says since we have already paid, what's the difference, and thinks our friend would be OK shouldering the cost for these two guests.

I said the cost should be divided by five, reducing the costs our friend already paid. I also was raised with an "If you can't afford it,

you don't get it" attitude and don't want to pay for two more people.

He says I'm selfish and I should help those who can't pay their way. Who is right?

— Upset

Dear Upset: You might be right, but your husband is being kind. Which would you rather be?

Your husband should 1) Not invite people to join you without you and your other friend agreeing, and 2) Not decide for you and your friend to essentially help foot the bill for this other couple without you all agreeing to it.

And if you don't agree to it, your husband should essentially pay for these extra people himself by offering you and your friend a discount.

Dear Amy: In your response to "Co-Pilot" you wrote: "If a car is driving 55 mph, and you take your eyes off the road for even a second to check a text, your car is driving the length of a football field without you watching the road."

Amy, get a fact-checker! One second of driving at 55 mph covers about 80 feet — hardly the length of a football field!

— Distracted by Your Error

Dear Distracted: I should have written "moment" rather than "second." Most people take far more than a second to check or send a text.

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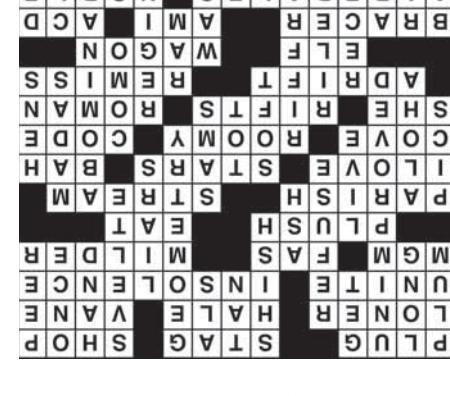
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- 32 "Lucy" of old TV
- 33 Night twinklers
- 35 Word of disgust
- 37 Sheltered inlet
- 38 Spacious
- 39 Morse's invention
- 40 That girl
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- 45 Derelict in duty
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- 34 Tricycle rider
- 36 Egg producers
- 38 Undesirable neighbors
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- 41 Irritated
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BROADWAY REVIEW

'Constitution' makes politics personal

BY CHRIS JONES

Chicago Tribune

NEW YORK – Most Broadway shows stick with playbills. Heidi Schreck hands out take-home copies of the Constitution of the United States of America. Or, as her 15-year-old self puts it in her mostly one-woman performance piece — which is part progressive political lecture, part personal confessional, part manifesto for feminist reform — that “living, warm-blooded, steamy document.”

Red meat for liberal feminists and clearly aimed at inter-generational audiences, “What the Constitution Means to Me,” which opened Sunday night at the Helen Hayes Theater and will run at least through July 21, captures the political restlessness of a moment when many Americans are looking back at the assumptions and power structures behind what they were asked to do in their own past, and feeling plenty ready to view those experiences through a revisionist lens.

The 15-year-old Schreck was ahead of the Constitution-analysis game, even if she didn’t fully realize her own sophistication, let alone imagine that her hugely talented adult self would get to Broadway with her own story.

“It is hot and sweaty,” she says of the fruits of the labors of the Founding Fathers.

At that point, those who love truly incendiary political debate might wish that the former Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia was both still alive and in the audience. He would surely have risen from his seat and ascended to the stage in hot-and-sweaty rage.

“What the Constitution Means to Me” is not the ideal night out on the town for your average originalist trolling Times Square. Oh



Heidi Schreck is both creator and performer in “What the Constitution Means to Me” at the Helen Hayes Theater.

no. They don’t get a say here. Not without being mocked.

This one would be even less fun for Mike Pence than was “Hamilton.” At “Constitution,” he would get lectured all night long, not just at the curtain speech.

But for progressive feminists and admirers of solo performers who can combine cheery didacticism with personal vulnerability, melding radical Constitutional theory with genuine warmth and humor? Now we’re talking the right crowd.

If that’s you, this is a terrific time in like-minded company and, most certainly, a Broadway show for a moment of rapid ascendancy in personal narrative, and a time when we’ve all taken our political sides

before we pick what show to see.

When she was 15 and growing up in Wenatchee, Washington, Schreck raised cash for college by entering contests at American Legion halls and the like, debating other high-schoolers by relating the Constitution to her own life. In this first part of the show — on a cleverly expressionistic set by Rachel Hauck that evokes the shadowy memory of the teenage experience of debating in front of a room full of older men — the 40-something Schreck re-creates those speeches replete with wry commentary from her more enlightened self, marveling both at her own teenage enthusiasm and the absurdity of the task she was set.

In short order, though,

this history of Schreck speechifying is replaced by a broader discussion of how the Constitution impacted Schreck’s own subsequent life, such as her limited freedom to get an abortion, or the inability of America’s most important document to protect the strong women in her own family from generations of violent men.

Schreck is a gifted writer and this personal history is exceptionally compelling. All the way through the one-act piece, you keep admiring the cleverness of this structure and the way Schreck, both as creator and character, sets up the rules and intentionally undermines them, typifying the message of the show, which is saying that the Constitution was born in white, male privi-

lege, designed to protect that subset of America, and maybe needs replacing altogether. She homes in on its obsession with passive rights — those “freedom froms” that ensure our liberty is not impinged upon — and continually suggests they need replacing with a more active document.

There are a few repetitive moments when Schreck seems to launch into discussions that you just heard a few minutes earlier. And the transition of the actor Mike Iveson, who first plays a moderator in the old debates and then reveals his own personal stories, needs better integration into the whole. Charming as Iveson can be, right now it feels like Schreck is bringing out a sympathetic guest star to give herself a

break. She might have given herself a fiercer antagonist.

Like “Hamilton” though, this historically important “Constitution” ends up being another reminder of the latent power of theater determined to debate the very core of the American assumptions about democracy, and the way in which it draws connections between all of our lives and the old laws that govern them truly is formidable. Like that big musical a couple of blocks away, Schreck understands that everything in the best political theater is always personal — for her and for us, whomever we may be. Despite its dispensing with so many of the usual rules, this piece will be a huge hit with its core demographic. And Schreck’s spirit of warm inclusion is just as important there as what she has to say.

In the last few minutes of the show, Schreck brings out a real teenager of the current moment — the super smart Thursday Williams at the performance I saw — allowing her both to explore what teens think today and to function as a kind of teacher-coach, personally freeing the young woman from some of the constraints of debating in the last century. In front of slightly creepy old men.

It is as if Schreck has found a way to access, and interact with, her teenage essence, trapped in a less-woke America, and it is enormously effective, offering something crucial to all political shows, which is hope for the future.

“What the Constitution Means to Me” plays at the Helen Hayes Theater, 240 W. 44th St., 212-239-6200 or constitutionbroadway.com

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IN PERFORMANCE

CRB's 'Macbeth' feels old and new at the same time

BY LAUREN WARNECKE

Chicago Tribune

Ordinarily, I wouldn’t call William Shakespeare’s “Macbeth” particularly timeless — important, obviously, but a bit of a relic. Modern adaptations of the 400-year-old play contextualize its lessons and morals for today’s sensibilities, but for the most part, it’s still Shakespeare, right?

When Chicago Repertory Ballet (CRB) premiered its first full-length ballet based on “the Scottish play” in 2016, the country was consumed by a bitter presidential primary. Reader, you know how that story ends. So now, a tale about a couple thirsting for power, taunted by witches and ghouls on their murderous path to the throne — well, that just sounds like another Friday.

Three years after artistic director Wade Schaaf’s three-act ballet saw its premiere at the Ruth Page Center, CRB revived “Macbeth” at the Athenaeum Theatre.

In creating “Macbeth,” Schaaf leaned into the idea that this is a narrative which, in one form or another, has repeated throughout history. It is neither antiquated nor wholly modern, set in an ambiguous time period that could be seen as 16th-century Scotland, or the gloomy Pacific Northwest of Stephenie Meyer’s “Twilight” vampire trilogy, or the Blitz of World War II.

In other words, it’s a ballet that feels bizarrely old and new at the same time. The costumes, lighting and locations implied through projected backdrops, plus a choreographic blending of classical ballet with contemporary use of

gestures and floor work — these further lend the idea that this story could be taking place anywhere, any time.

“Romeo and Juliet” and “A Midsummer Night’s Dream” are the most popular of Shakespeare’s canon turned into ballets, with a few choreographers taking on “Othello,” “Hamlet,” “Taming of the Shrew” and “The Tempest.” Christopher Wheeldon received

praise for his “Winter’s Tale” in 2014, which Guardian critic Judith Mackrell said was, “until then, considered one of ‘Shakespeare’s’ undanceable plays.”

“Macbeth” could probably be lumped in the undanceable category too — in fact, this critic is not aware of any other attempt, though I’m sure a couple exist. But there’s plenty of fodder for dancing in the play: creepy witches lurking across the stage, military conquest, balls, love stories, psychological turmoil, knife fights and death scenes.

And all of that was present in Schaaf’s “Macbeth” — he even choreographed a polonaise and a waltz — but the sheer number of characters made the story a bit difficult to track. Whittling the narrative into digestible bits and transforming “Macbeth’s” essence into a wordless production is no easy task; Schaaf and his dancers embraced the challenge, not because it’s hard but because it’s worth it.

Costume designer Nathan Rohrer helped distinguish the characters by dressing Lord and Lady Macbeth in garnet, while the virtuous Macduffs wore a russet waistcoat and gown. There were a few words from the play incorporated into John Pobojewski’s projections, in a



Django Allegretti as Macbeth and Miriam-Rose LeDuc as his leading lady in the Chicago Repertory Ballet production.

stretched-out font that morphed and moved across the back wall of the Athenaeum. But that’s not to say audiences could really get by without having some familiarity with the tale.

In 2016, I remember thinking that this ballet could be a turning point for CRB. On opening night of “Macbeth’s” revival Friday, it became clear that it was. Three years on, the ballet feels as salient as it did then, strengthened by time, extra resources, and a robust cast of new dancers added to the company’s ranks.

Django Allegretti was a strong Macbeth, as was his leading lady Miriam-Rose LeDuc. Felicity Nicholson stood out as an excellent Banquo, Macbeth’s military chum who witnessed him murder King Duncan and later died by his hand. Jacqueline Stewart as Hecate and her underlings Carley Klebba and Luis Vazquez as the Weird Sisters were delightfully creepy and sinister. Unforgiving choreography asked the entire ensemble to perform at a high level; this was not one of those full-length ballets that left the

corps standing in the back, posing and pretending to drink from goblets.

If I’m nitpicking, Ladies Macbeth and Macduff were too tall for their partners. The downstage space needed more light. In some moments, the difficult choreography got in the way of the dancers really acting out their parts, which is key in such a convoluted narrative as this one. And I know not how people who really know and admire Shakespeare — this critic admires him more than she knows him — might feel about Schaaf’s rendition. I suspect there’s a wide range of opinions about doing adaptations in general, and we shall leave it to the purists to duke it out with those who embrace contemporary productions. But I can easily say that Chicago Repertory Ballet’s “Macbeth” was a high-quality, thoughtful rendition. It was infused with heart, curiosity and fearless ambition.

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its opening premise, the best episodes from that first iteration were not really about other dimensions, but wisely set in this world, just told through fresh eyes.

That rocket ship trying to leave before a nuclear attack?

It's actually on another planet, escaping to a presumably nuclear weapon-free planet named Earth.

That soldier who finds himself mysteriously in a hole?

He's actually a doll, dropped into a holiday donation box.

Alternative timelines are everywhere at the moment, on TV, in film, even at the theater; and certainly a new "Twilight Zone" fits perfectly alongside "Russian Doll," and "Black Mirror," and "Philip K. Dick's Electric Dreams." To tinker with the grim outcome of "Avengers: Infinity War," it looks likely the upcoming "Avengers: Endgame" will head for the multiverse, that place where every one of Frost's famously diverging paths in the woods exists on another planet. And if they don't dabble in alt-timelines, there's always the '70s comic anthology "What If?" which revisited key stories of Marvel mythology, on alternate, parallel planets — it's being adapted for the new Disney+ streaming service.

The multiverse is the Capraesque "Wonderful Life" of geekdom, an ultimately hopeful guess that the future is not fixed, that if we tweak a few things, our outlook improves.

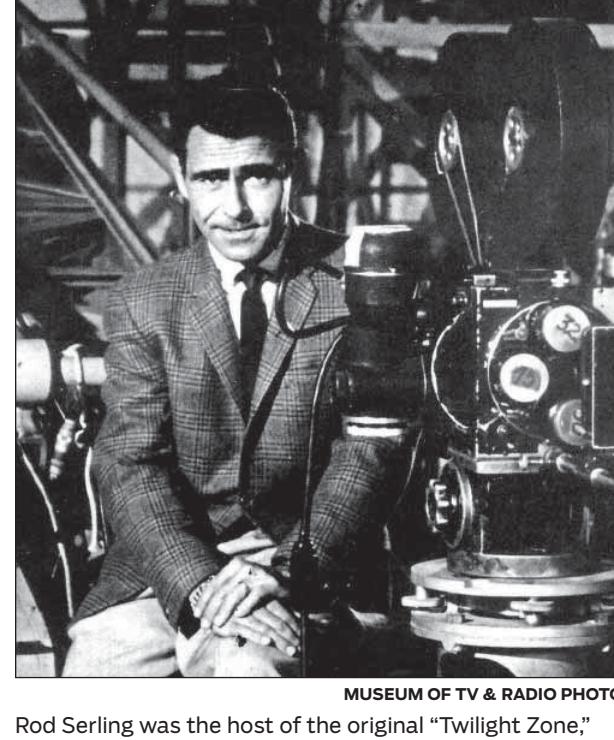
Yet what rooted the best "Twilight Zone" episodes — and what generates the most powerful moments in the reboot — was the cold inevitability of the outcomes, that unnerving chill that we suspect how badly this will turn out, we just don't know how we will arrive there. That "Twilight Zone" was less about parallel universes than about the thin membrane separating comfort from paranoia, ambition from corruption and wealth from poverty. It identified your flaws, then it plunged in a knife and twisted sharply.

"Crazy times, guys. Crazy times ..."

Those are the first lines of the first episode of this new "Twilight Zone," which is about a stand-up comic (Kumail Nanjiani) who makes a Faustian deal (with Tracy Morgan) for applause. But it's not quite about the quest for success, of course — it's a cautionary tale, about the terrible person inside of the good one. Like many "Twilight Zone" episodes, it leaves you to decide the truth. Another episode of the new series, set in an Alaskan police outpost on Christmas Eve, centers on a mysterious stranger (Steven Yeun) who reveals the corruption just beneath a small town's facade.

Even Peele's "Us" — his new movie, partly inspired by the eerie "The Twilight Zone" episode "Mirror Image" — is about doppelgangers, beneath the surface of our world, waiting to strike. And yet, creepy and homicidal as they may be, they are, as Lupita Nyong'o's double croaks out, "Americans."

Creepily enough, a few hours after seeing "Us," I reached for the top of my bedside book stack, and grabbed Will Hunt's new "Underground: A Human History of the Worlds Beneath Our Feet." Serendipity wasn't the plan, and



MUSEUM OF TV & RADIO PHOTO

Rod Serling was the host of the original "Twilight Zone," which aired on CBS from 1959 to 1964.

yet there it was — the opening epigraph (from poet Paul Eluard) read: "There is another world, but it is in this one."

I was thinking about "The Twilight Zone" but wondering if I was in "The Truman Show": Beneath my copy of "Underground" sat a galley for "The Queen: The Forgotten Life Behind an American Myth," an upcoming biography by journalist Josh Levin about Linda Taylor, the Chicago woman whose complicated story was demonized and manipulated by politicians and press (namely, the Chicago Tribune, according to Levin's account) until she was Ronald Reagan's infamous "welfare queen."

It's tempting to describe Levin's masterful book as alternate history of 1980s Chicago. But no — again, it's this Chicago, on this planet, not twisted on its head, only righted.

This is no alternate Chicago where Cody Parkey kicks a field goal and the Bears won a Super Bowl. There is no Chicago where the Jussie Smollett case is simple. There is only a Chicago where no one but investors seem excited about a giant Lincoln Yards development on the North Side — but it feels inevitable anyway. Just as there is no alternate America where Hillary Clinton is president and the Mueller report found evidence of treason. There is only an America where the truth of climate change is presented by self-serving public officials as disputable. There are only lies reframed as truth — and that feeling that something is off.

That first of the new "Twilight Zone" episodes begins with Nanjiani on stage, trying to find humor in a country where gun lobbyists and politicians resist gun regulation, even as they wrap themselves in the sanctity of the Second Amendment — which begins with the necessity of "well-regulated Militia."

He fails to find that humor.

If there was a flaw in the original "Twilight Zone" — beyond its share of hacky acting and pat endings — it was the assumption that the United States ever had a common reality to begin with. Early '60s TV demanded white, well-off and suburban. One of the strengths of Peele's "Twilight Zone" is how quickly it corrects this; of the first four episodes, one stars Pakistani-Americans, one stars Native Americans and another draws from Black Lives Matter.

That said, Serling, the first genius of TV, was well-aware of his limits, so his series often found its strength in clandestine arguments for social justice and change. Unable to

directly address the hot-house issues that TV networks feared in prime time — assassination, nuclear war, Vietnam — he took a cue from fairy tales and tucked his protests into allegorical science fiction and fantasy. He took on mob rule ("The Gift"), and bullying politicians ("The Obsolete Man") and how easy it is to nudge Americans into fighting themselves ("The Monsters Are Due on Maple Street").

The new "Twilight Zone" lands in no less chaotic times. But we hold fewer illusions about ourselves. How could any updating of "The Twilight Zone" hope to keep pace?

By rooting itself in reality.

Serling — who wrote 93 of the original series' 156 episodes — often noted that, as a soldier in World War II, he found himself in situations where many of the men beside him died and he survived. He regarded fate as a crapshoot. And judging by a handful of episodes, Peele's "Twilight Zone" definitely agrees — albeit adding the role that birth, race, income and background also play. The best new episode (so far) finds an African-American mother and her teenage son on a road trip to college (in Virginia, pointedly). She can't avoid the same white cop who keeps pulling them over. But she does own an old video camera that rewinds reality ...

Peele is the right guy for this job. "Get Out," his Oscar-winning debut, employed every trick in the "Twilight Zone" book to create an instant classic. He recognizes the humor and the horror in hiding uneasy truths inside of fantasy. Without giving much away, the best "Twilight Zone"-like twist contained in "Us" is a dark riff on the 1986 charity event Hands Across America — basically, that the only way you could get enough Americans to join hands with Americans, and stretch coast to coast, would be violently.

For the record, there are no alternate universes.

Last fall, University of Chicago astronomers published a study in the Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics. They found no evidence of alternate dimensions, parallel timelines or doppelganger universes.

But you knew that.

There's already a place where life isn't fair and reality isn't just and the circumstances of your life play vastly different if you just take one step right or left. It's called Chicago.

The Twilight Zone premieres Monday on CBS All Access.

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Influence

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doppelgangers. With a twist ending that has viewers buzzing and coming back for repeat viewings, the mysteries of "Us" unfold the more you venture down the rabbit hole.

Which cinematic influences made their way into the film? Read on for 11 of Peele's more surprising inspirations.

Warning: Plot spoilers follow.

'JAWS' (1975)

As he did in his Oscar-winning debut "Get Out," Peele wears his genre bona fides proudly on his sleeve. Young Jason (Evan Alex) — who has a habit of wearing a mask, like another famous horror movie Jason — wears those nods on his T-shirt, sporting a "Jaws" tee during a suspenseful family trip to the beach. Later, Peele channels the Steven Spielberg classic, subjecting Winston Duke's character to one of his own personal phobias ("an open body of water at night.") Peele revealed to The Times in an interview in a scene in which the boat-obsessed Gabe must fight his own water-borne predator in the form of his Tethered double, Abraham.

'THE LOST BOYS' (1987)

Pivotal sequences set in two different times were filmed on location at Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk, the coastal Northern California amusement park horror fans also know as the fictional Santa Carla setting of "The Lost Boys," Joel Schumacher's cult 1987 vampire horror flick. Do the math, and it would have been filming around the time 9-year-old Adelaide and her bickering parents went out for a night on the boardwalk.

"In 'The Lost Boys,' the threat comes from above; without giving anything away this film is the mirror image of that," Peele said. When Adelaide's mother mentions a film crew shooting nearby might be looking for extras, she's referring to "The Lost Boys." "There's a line in the boardwalk scene, one of the characters mentions there's a movie shooting near the carousel ..."

'MARTYRS' (2008)

Before filming, Peele gave stars Lupita Nyong'o and Winston Duke films to watch to establish a shared movie language on set to guide the cast's complex dual performances and trickster storytelling. Some titles on that list featured themes and motifs found in "Us," like the spooky twins of "The Shining" and the nerve-fraying home-invasion thrills of Michael Haneke's "Funny Games."

Nyong'o got through more of Peele's suggestions — "The Babadook," "It Follows," "A Tale of Two Sisters," "The Birds," "Let the Right One In," "The Sixth Sense" and "Alien" — before she came to a daunting final watch: Pascal Laugier's ultraviolent 2008 French psychological horror tale "Martyrs," about a woman confronting disturbing traumas and the machinations of a sadistic cult. Not that Peele's warning helped, she recalled: "With the last one, he wrote: 'Enter at your own risk.'"

'C.H.U.D.' (1984)

Peele winks at his audience from the start in his opening prologue: As 9-year-old Adelaide watches TV circa 1986, the

camera reveals the family's VHS collection, which includes 1985's subterranean kids adventure "Goonies." Even the 1983 space drama "The Right Stuff," from "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" director Philip Kaufman, mirrors the sense of idealistic '80s American can-do that underscores a fanatical Red's subsequent mission

Red's subsequent mission for justice, and the notion that staging a *Hands Across America*-esque stunt will command the world's attention.

But one VHS tape on the family movie shelf will catch true genre aficionados' eyes: The 1984 cult sewer sci-fi horror flick "C.H.U.D." (short for Cannibalistic Humanoid Underground Dweller), in which once-human creatures ascend out of the depths below New York City, foreshadows the horrors to come.

'A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET 3: DREAM WARRIORS' (1987)

The Bay Area rap classic "I Got 5 on It" plays double duty in "Us" in the increasingly horrific nightmare that befalls the Wilsons. But first, as they drive toward their Santa Cruz summer vacation home, the whole family — mom Adelaide (Nyong'o), dad Gabe (Duke), son Jason (Alex) and daughter Zora (Shahadi Wright Joseph) bond by singing along to the 1995 Luniz track in the car.

Later, the song takes a menacing turn when the slowed-down, string version provides the backdrop to Adelaide's underground showdown with her doppelganger, Red (also Nyong'o). The darker version of "I Got 5 on It" reminded Peele of a score by composer Angelo Badalamenti of "Twin Peaks" fame (whose work with David Lynch also includes the 2002 project "Rabbids").

"This song has always had a haunting melody — the bass line and that riff kind of sounds like Angelo Badalamenti's 'Nightmare on Elm Street (3)' score," Peele said. "I knew I wanted to have a Bay Area classic hip-hop song ... It kind of serves the same purpose as 'Redbone' (in "Get Out") and gets everybody's heads bopping — then all of a sudden, there's a haunting aspect."

'MICHAEL JACKSON'S 'THRILLER' (1983)

Michael Myers' signature coveralls and Freddy Krueger's gloves also find their way into the costume influences and color palettes of "Us." But Michael Jackson's iconic red "Thriller" jacket — and his music video transformation into a zombie and werewolf — subtly influences young Adelaide, who wears a "Thriller" shirt her dad wins on the boardwalk.

Like Jackson in "Thriller," the Tethered also wear red clothing, a single glove and familiar faces distorted into monstrous visions. In the 1980s, the singer was a globally adored figure "with a great duality," said Peele, acknowledging that the added specter of Jackson's now-divisive legacy and more recent accusations of child sexual abuse lend even more unintended weight to the reference.

'DEAD AGAIN' (1991)

Kenneth Branagh's time-hopping 1991 romantic thriller might make an unexpectedly interesting double feature with "Us"; it's another of the movies Peele asked his stars to study ahead of filming, and

one that echoes with similar themes. Branagh and Emma Thompson play lovers linked in the present to their past-life doppelgangers, in a mystery of true identities notably punctuated by the presence of a familiar household implement-turned-deadly weapon: scissors.

'THE NUTCRACKER'

It's not a specific film, but the classic ballet in which a young girl travels into a shadow realm on Christmas inspired a flashback, marking a pivotal moment in Adelaide and Red's tethered years after the girls switched in the funhouse in 1986.

Peele and choreographer Madeline Hollander reenvisioned the ballet's two-person pas de deux as a solo dance performed by a teenage Adelaide, whose actions are mirrored by Red performing a version of the dance down below.

'ROB ROY' (1995)

When the two women meet again as adults, they face off in the very tunnels where Red's dance revealed her special status to the rest of the Tethered and led to her eventual emergence as their leader. To nail the Lupita-on-Lupita fight to the death, Peele took inspiration from the 1995 biopic "Rob Roy."

"We looked at different fight scenes in history," Peele said. "One was the Tim Roth-Liam Neeson scene in 'Rob Roy,' which was a very character-driven sequence. Another thing for me in a horror movie is that it doesn't begin to feel like an action movie fight. Horror and violence is brutal, it's improvisational, it's clumsy at best. So with Lupita we really worked her to the bone ... and then used about 25 percent of it. Sorry!"

'KEY & PEELE'

Duke and Nyong'o had a secret weapon while filming the comedic moments in "Us": Jordan Peele. The veteran comedian brought his improvisational skills behind the camera, which came in handy during a scene in which Duke's Gabe is sizing up the mysterious strangers who have appeared in the driveway, baseball bat in hand.

"I trusted Jordan in every way to be like, 'Is that funny? Is this working?'" Duke said. The scene was very much "like a Key & Peele" sketch," Peele said, laughing.

"And we laid into that," Duke added. "It's really funny and playful, and he's trying to keep his sense of what's mundane — it has to be another family, it has to be neighbors, this can't be anything else — there's humor in that."

'THE TWILIGHT ZONE' (1960)

Peele cites "Mirror Image," the chilling 1960 TV episode from Season 1 of Rod Serling's "The Twilight Zone," as inspiration for "Us." In it, a sensible young woman waiting at a bus station sees her own double and suspects that something she once read is true: That parallel universes exist, and when they collide with ours, evil imposters can cross over and take over our lives.

Perhaps unsurprisingly,

Peele executive produced and narrates an upcoming CBS All Access reboot of the celebrated sci-fi series, which promises to expand his oeuvre as audiences keep turning over every discernible detail of "Us" in search of answers.

Comedy

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Trompeter conducting a nimble orchestra.

The comedy's two characters hardly could be better poised for battle: Vespetta is a poor chambermaid hoping to use her romantic charms to attain a better station in life; Pimpinone is a wobbly, clueless, rich old man who becomes her target.

To see Schuller batting her eyelashes and flashing her coquettish smile was to

realize instantly that she would not be stopped. But Schuller's performance offered more than that, the singer simultaneously conveying her repulsion at the doddering fool she was tricking into matrimony.

De Ryke wasn't quite so adept at expressing multiple layers of comedic intent, but he was appealing enough as Schuller's foil.

Vocally, too, Schuller was most engaging, her tone full and her articulation crisp in Telemann's ornate passagework. If her instrument sounded a bit thin and sharp in its highest

register, the score's nature rendered that just a sporadic concern. The buoyancy of her lines in "Hoeflich reden" aptly reflected her character's ebullience.

De Ryke offered tonal warmth and knowing interpretations throughout, his reading of "Ella mi vuol confondere" portraying a man who realizes he's being played but stands helpless to do anything but.

Stage director Sarah Edgar deserves considerable credit for the comic success of this performance, with its elaborately

choreographed interplay for the two romantic antagonists. What began as a demure — if speedy — courtship devolved into a lampoonish pas de deux and finally descended into wacky physical combat (rest assured that the only injury was to Pimpinone's deflating pride).

That Schuller and de Ryke performed these antics while finessing vocal acrobatics was testament to their technical skill and breath control. If you had closed your eyes, you might never have guessed that at one point de Ryke was on

all fours and Schuller was riding him like a horse.

Meriem Bahri's costume design chronicled Vespetta's social ascent as she segued from a housemaid's drab garb to a wealthy woman's gaudy gown. Pimpinone's contrasting downfall also became apparent sartorially as he slipped from elegant couture to tawdry rags.

Lindsey Lyddan's set and lighting design provided a riot of color. And Trompeter's instrumental forces underscored the appeal of period instruments and performance

practices, especially when it came to textural transparency and timbral subtlety.

So, yes, there are still ample laughs and lovely arias to be mined from Telemann's amusing artifact.

WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Tala Ashe

"DC's Legends of Tomorrow" (7 p.m., CW): New episodes resume with a spring premiere called "Lucha De Apuestas," which finds the Legends heading to 1961 Mexico City to clean up an anticipated mess after they learn that Mona (Roman Young) has released a fugitive. Meanwhile, Nate and Zari (Nick Zano, Tala Ashe) undertake a joint mission to find out what Hank (guest star Tom Wilson) may be hiding from everyone.

"The Resident" (7 p.m., FOX): When Atlanta is socked by a major snowstorm, Mina (Shaunette Renee Wilson) is forced to perform major surgery to save the life of a young father without the help of her mentor, The Raptor (Malcolm-Jamal Warner), in the new episode "Snowed In." Kit and Bell (Jane Leeves, Bruce Greenwood) uncomfortably baby-sit the patient's young kids. Manish Dayyal also stars.

"Magnum P.I." (8 p.m., CBS): By any measure, Thomas Magnum's (Jay Hernandez) relationship with his old flame Hannah (guest star Jordana Brewster) is complicated. After all, she's the fugitive who caused Magnum and his SEAL team to be held as POWs for years. So when Hannah abruptly turns up at his home with a gunshot wound, he's not automatically inclined to help her rescue her missing CIA father, whose life is in danger.

"Street Outlaws" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Discovery): The best street racers in Oklahoma City return for a new season that finds them setting aside personal differences to band together as never before in the face of new challenges to their racing supremacy in the two-hour Season 13 premiere "Us and Them." Chief among those challenges: a West Coast racer named Boddie who has assembled a dream team.

"Hostile Planet" (8 p.m., 10:01 p.m., NGEO): Adventurer Bear Grylls is host and narrator of this new stunningly filmed six-part series that follows an assortment of animals in the wild as they struggle to raise their young and survive themselves while coping with harsh weather, hungry predators and increasing competition for dwindling but critical resources.

"Escaping Polygamy" (9:03 p.m., 1:04 a.m., Lifetime): Jessica enlists the help of Rachel Jeffs, the daughter of cult leader Warren Jeffs, to help a desperate woman named Carole escape a "house of repentance" maintained by the group in a new episode called "My Cousin, My Lover." Carole has been sent to this grim environment after being caught in what her faith considers an inappropriate relationship.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Jeff Goldblum.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Tracy Morgan; actress Maisie Williams; professional football player Patrick Mahomes; The Zombies perform.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Nathan Lane; TV personalities Antoni Porowski, Bobby Berk, Jonathan Van Ness, Karamo Brown and Tan France.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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MONDAY EVENING, APR. 1

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	MOVIES	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	The Neighborhood (N)	Man With a Plan (N) ©	Magnum P.I.: "The Day It All Came Together." (Season Finale) (N) ©	Bull: "Don't Say a Word." (N) © HD	The Enemy Within: "Eye of Horus." (N) © HD	The Return of the Pink Panther ★★★	NBC 5 News (N) ♦	
	NBC 5	The Voice: "The Battles, Part 2." (N) © HD							
	ABC 7	American Idol: "209 (Top 20 Solos)." (N) © HD							News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	Blackhawks Extra (N) ©	NHL Hockey: Winnipeg Jets at Chicago Blackhawks. From the United Center in Chicago. (N) (Live) © HD						WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3's Comp.	
	This TV 9.3	A Shot in the Dark (PG, '64) ★★★ Peter Sellers. ©							
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Antiques Roadshow (N) © HD (Part 3 of 3)		The Choice for Mayor: A WTTW News Special		Independent Lens (N) ♦	
	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 Cinci.		Hogan Hero Hogan Hero	C. Burnett			
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©	Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek ♦			
	Bounce 26.5	Last Call	Last Call	Last Call	In the Cut	More Money, More Family (R, '15) ♦			
	FOX 32	The Resident: "Snowed In." (N) © HD		9-1-1: "Fight or Flight." (N) © HD		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©	
	Ion 38	Criminal Minds © HD	Criminal Minds: "100." ©					Criminal ♦	
	TeleM 44	• Extation EE. UU. (N)	Betty in NY (N) ©					La reina del sur	Chicago (N)
	CW 50	DC's Legends (N)	Penn & Teller: Fool Us (N)					Law Order: CI	Chicago ♦
	UniMas 60	Tres Milagros	Atrapada ©			Rosario Tijeras ©		Sebastian ♦	
	WJYS 62	J. Savelle	K. Hagin	Joyce Meyer Robison	Blakeman	Wonderen		Monument	
	Univ 66	Jesús		Mi marido tiene familia		Por amar sin ley		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	The First 48 ©	The First 48 ©			(9:01) The First 48 ©		First 48 ♦	
	AMC	• (6:30) The Expendables (R, '10) ★★★	©			Into the Badlands (N) ©		Badlands ♦	
	ANIM	Alaska- Last Frontier	Alaska- Last Frontier			Alaska- Last Frontier		Alaska ♦	
	BBCA	• Turner	Vegas Vacation (PG, '97) ★ Chevy Chase. ©			Vegas Vacation (PG, '97) ★		Vegas Vacation	
	BET	• (5:28) National Security	(7:55) White Chicks (PG-13, '04) ★★ Shawn Wayans.						
	BIGTEN	• (4:30) To be announced							
	BRAVO	Vanderpump Rules ©	Vanderpump Rules (N)			Summer House (N) ©		Watch What	
	CLTV	Larry Potash	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics	
	CNBC	American Greed ©	American Greed ©			American Greed ©		Greed ♦	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦			
	COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Daily (N) ♦	
	DISC	Street Outlaws (N)	Street Outlaws: "Us and Them." (Season Premiere) (N) ©			Outlaws			
	DISN	Sydney-Max	Coop Raven	Raven	Sydney-Max	Coop	Andi Mack		
	E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Nightly (N)	Busy (N)	
	ESPN	• (6) MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Atlanta Braves. (N)	MLB Baseball: Giants at Dodgers (N) ♦						
	ESPN2	• Women's Basketball (N)	2019 NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament (N)					SportCtr (N)	
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)	Hannity (N) ©			The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News	
	FOOD	Spring Baking (N)	Spring Baking (N)	To be announced ©				TBA ♦	
	FREE	Shadowhunters (N) ©	(8:01) Shrek Forever After (PG, '10) ★★ © (SAP)			700 Club			
	FX	Minions (PG, '15) ★★ Voices of Sandra Bullock. ©	Minions (PG, '15) ★★ Jon Hamm ©						
	HALL	Valentine Ever After (NR, '16)	Autumn Reeser. ©	Meet the Petes (N) ©				Golden Girls	
	HGTV	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters (N) ©	Hunters	
	HIST	Jesus: His Life (N) © (Part 2 of 4)						Knightfall ♦	
	HLN	Vengeance: Killer Lovers	Vengeance: Killer Lovers			Very Scary People ©			
	IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men		
	LIFE	Escaping Polygamy ©	Escaping Polygamy (N)	Escaping Polygamy (N)	Escaping Polygamy (N)	Escaping	Escaping ♦		
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow Show (N)			The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
	MTV	Teen Mom 2 ©	Teen Mom 2 (N) ©	(9:02) Teen Mom (N) ©				Teen Mom ♦	
	NBCSCH	• NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at New York Knicks. (N)		Postgame	Bulls (N)			Postgame	
	NICK	Substitute	SpongeBob Movie ©					Friends ♦	
	Ovation	Broken Arrow (R, '96) ★★ John Travolta.						Angels & Demons (PG-13, '09) ★★★	
	OWN	Dateline on OWN ©	Dateline on OWN ©			Deadline: Crime		Dateline ♦	
	OXY	In Ice Cold Blood (N)	Snapped: "Shanda Crain." ©	Snapped ©				Accident ♦	
	PARMT	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops (N) ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	
	SFY	(7:05) Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13, '16) ★★★	©					Futurama	
	TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	American (N) Amer. Dad	Conan ©		
	TCM	Torrent (NR, '26) ★★★ Ricardo Cortez.	(8:45) The Temptress (NR, '26) ★★ Greta Garbo. ♦						
	TLC	Outdaughered: "Quint-essentially Cute." (N)						Outdaughed. ♦	
	TLN	Supernatural Humanit	Faith Chi	Pastor Greg	Robison	Billy Graham	Humanit ♦		
	TNT	Django Unchained (R, '12) ★★★ Jamie Foxx, Christoph Waltz. ©						Miz & Mrs	
	TOON	Samur. Jack	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy		
	TRAV	Fear the Woods (N) ©	Paranormal 911 (N) ©					Haunted Hospitals (N) ©	
	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King		
	USA	WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live) ©							
	VH1	Love, Hip Hop (N)	Hip- Awards (N)			Love & Hip Hop: Atlanta		Awards ♦	
	WE	Criminal Minds ©	Criminal Minds ©			Criminal Minds ©		Criminal ♦	
	WGN America	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	
	HBO	Life of the Party (PG-13, '18) ★★ Melissa McCarthy.	(8:50) Veep	Adrian Syed					
	HBO2	Weekend at Bernie's (PG-13, '89) ★★	Real Time with Bill Maher	(9:40) 50 First Dates ♦					
	MAX	Strike Back ©	(7:50) The Big Boss (R, '71) ★★					Natural Born Killers ★★★	
	SHO	Billions: "Chickentown."	Black Mon	SMILF ©	Billions: "Chickentown."	Black Mon			
	STARZ	• Gods	Apocalypse	(7:59) Every Secret Thing (R, '14) ★★				Apocalypse Gods ♦	
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Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 6. Find a peaceful spot to think. Review priorities and make plans for a few days. New income or a delightful discovery is possible.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Get more done and have more fun with friends, especially today and tomorrow. Stay in communication with your team. Beneficial and profitable opportunities beckon.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Work takes priority. Take charge for the results you want. Devote attention to a challenge or test. Balance the numbers. Close a deal or sign papers.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Travel and education hold your focus. Explore a fascinating thread or vista. Friends make a trip more fun. Pack lightly. Plan your route and itinerary carefully.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Handle finances over the next few days. Avoid arguments or fussing. Things could seem chaotic or in a state of flux. Consider potential pitfalls.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Partnership expands your results. Share the load. Listen to intuition. Avoid hassles or arguments by letting the small stuff go. Let magnetism draw you together.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Focus on physical work, labors and fitness. Fulfill promises. If you encounter resistance, slow down. Don't force an issue or movement. Take it easy.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Passions can get riled up. Keep it behind closed doors. Secrets can get revealed. Someone finds you attractive. Share a magical moment or several.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 6. Domestic projects satisfy multiple objectives. Fix something before it breaks. Beautify your space while cooking up something delicious for worker bees. Your greatest strength is love.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. An intellectual puzzle tempts you to sift through facts and data. Walk and think. Do the homework, and write your conclusions. Your research could get fruitful.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Leave your money where it is. Don't let someone else spend it frivolously. Values could get tested. Discover another revenue source.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. You're ready to make improvements. Take charge of your destiny. Assertiveness works. A personal insight or epiphany reveals a hidden truth. Generate harmonious results.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn**Bliss** By Harry Bliss**Bridge**

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A 9 6 4 3 ♥ K 2 ♦ J 8 5 ♣ A K J

As dealer, what call would you make?

A.1—To those who don't like to open 1NT with a five-card major, what would you rebid if you open 1S and partner responds 1NT? You have one chance to show a balanced 15-17. Open 1NT.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 10 9 7 2 ♥ 8 ♦ A K Q 10 9 ♣ K 5 2

West North East South

1♦	Pass	1♥	?
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What call would you make?

A.2—2D would be natural if you bid it, but you should have a six-card or longer suit. Pass.

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A 7 5 4 3 ♥ 8 7 5 ♦ 4 ♣ Q 10 7 6

West North East South

1♦	1♠	Pass	?
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What call would you make?

A.3—Not enough playing strength for 4S, and too good for a pre-emptive 3S. It might seem timid but bid 2S.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

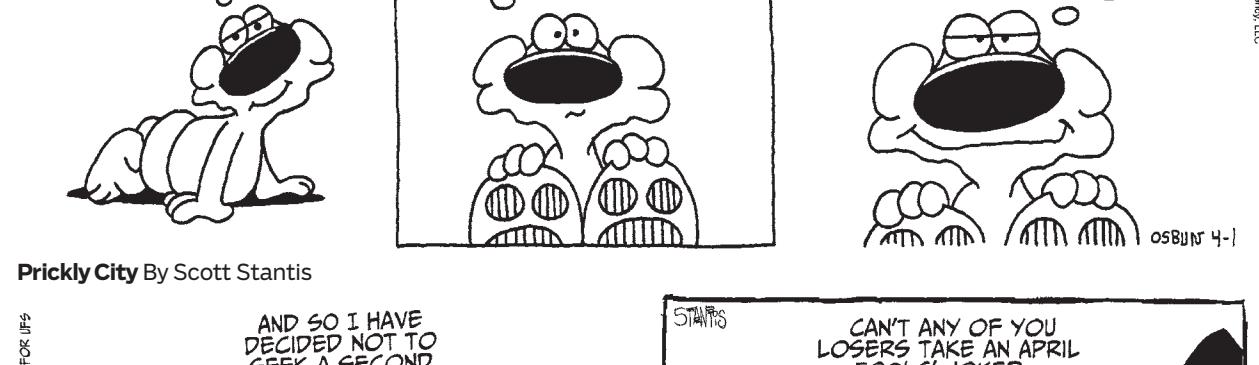
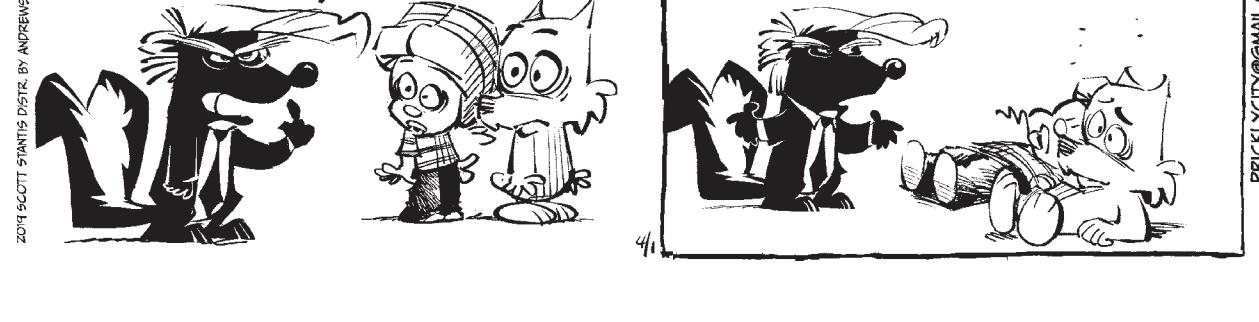
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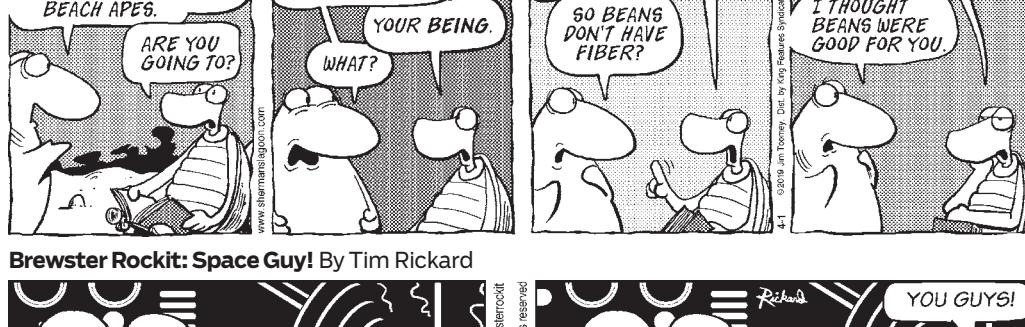
As dealer, what call would you make?

A.4—1NT wouldn't be a crime, but we prefer to bid naturally when it looks like it will be easy to do so. Open 1C.

— Bob Jones
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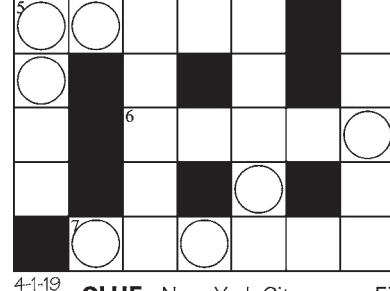
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Which cocktail traditionally is made with sparkling wine and peach puree?

- A) Bellini
 - B) Buck's fizz
 - C) Kir royale
 - D) Mimosa
- Saturday's answer: Thomas Jefferson is pictured on the \$2 bill.

Jumble Crossword

CLUE: New York City mayor Fiorello La Guardia worked at _____ from 1907 to 1910.

BONUS

ACROSS

- 1. Eyebrow _____
- 5. _____ tender
- 6. Stiff
- 7. Member of the Navy

DOWN

- 1. Hoisting machine
- 2. African country
- 3. Not lawful
- 4. Black widow _____

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

ANSWER

LIPECN
ALELG
IDRGRI
LOSRAI

ACROSS

- 1. Half a fluid oz.
- 5. Ancient Peruvian
- 9. Jalopies
- 14. "I'm _____ here!". "Adios!"
- 15. "North by Northwest" actor Grant
- 16. Grown-up
- 17. Unpredictable leg joint problem
- 19. Coffee sweetener
- 20. Be on the same page
- 21. Butter square
- 23. Old AT&T rival
- 24. Camera largely replaced by its digital version, for short
- 25. Beef named for a bone
- 30. Golfer's booking
- 32. Diplomatic accord
- 33. Ancient Icelandic text
- 34. "McMuffin"
- 36. "The Deep" director Peter
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44. Stars are seen in it

45. Bars on candy bars, e.g.: Abbr.

49. Disparaging word

52. "Let me say this again ..."

54. "Love, Simon" co-star

56. Lawyer's gp.

57. Inventor Whitney

58. \$200 Monopoly props.

59. Fable writer

61. Hoooves-on-

cobblestone sounds

64. Cry for today, and a hint to the starts of 17-, 25-, 37- and 54-Across

67. Lone Ranger's pal

69. Blend by melting

70. Actress Spacek

71. Locking device

72. Went really fast

73. "Eww!"

6. Indian bread

7. French pancake

8. "Yes, captain!"

9. Is suffering from, as a cold

10. College address suffix

11. Make larger

12. Appear

13. Bowling x's

14. "Felicity" star Russell

18. Bowling pin count

22. Chatted with online, briefly

27. Pleads

28. Lid inflammation

29. Rip to shreds

31. Opposite of giveth

35. USO show audience

38. Broadcast with greater image resolution, as TV shows

39. Fat-free milk

40. Spare in a Brit's boot

41. Turns down

42. Ill-fated 1967 moon mission

43. "____ of sugar-plums danced in their heads": Moore

46. Green bowlful

47. Last train car

48. Attached using a swingline

50. U.K.'s continent

51. Defeat decisively

53. Airline to Tel Aviv

55. Pet adoption org.

60. Letters before gees

62. Halves of qts.

63. Tofu source

65. Dorm VIPs

66. Mischief-maker

Sudoku **1 2 3 4**

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

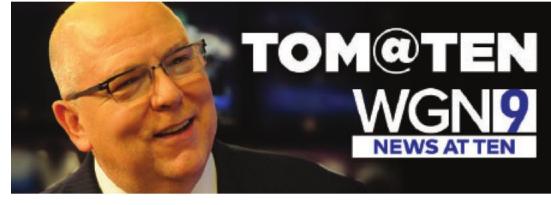
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MONDAY, APRIL 1

NORMAL HIGH: 53°

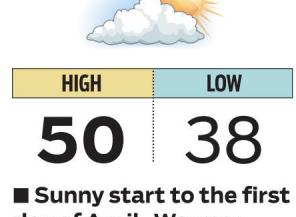
NORMAL LOW: 34°

RECORD HIGH: 83° (2010)

RECORD LOW: 17° (1881)

A warmer, dry beginning to April — no fooling

LOCAL FORECAST



■ Sunny start to the first day of April. Warmer with a high near 50. Clouds increase as the day progresses, becoming mostly cloudy by afternoon.

■ SSW winds increase by afternoon to 15-20 mph with gusts to 30 mph.

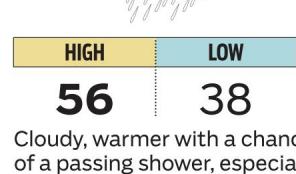
■ Cloudy and windy overnight. SSW winds 12-16 mph with gusts to 25 mph.

■ Nighttime clouds help keep temperatures warmer with a low in the upper 30's.

NATIONAL FORECAST



TUESDAY, APRIL 2

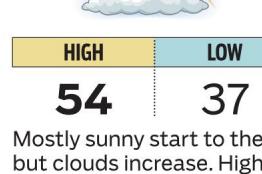


Cloudy, warmer with a chance of a passing shower, especially in the afternoon. High in the mid-50s. Breezy with S/SW winds 14-18 mph and gusts to 25 mph. Clearing skies overnight low of 38 and west winds 7-10 mph.



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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3



Mostly sunny start to the day but clouds increase. High in the upper 50s. S winds 8-12 mph. Skies become overcast, chance for light rain by afternoon. Cloudy with a chance for rain overnight. Low of 37 with east winds.



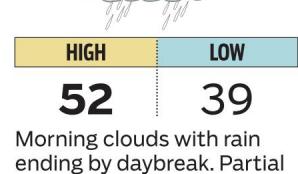
THURSDAY, APRIL 4



Cloudy, breezy and cooler with rain likely for the White Sox home opener. High near 50. East winds 14-18 mph with gusts to 25 mph making it cooler near the lake. Rain overnight with the temp dropping to the upper 30s.



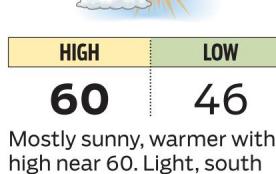
FRIDAY, APRIL 5



Morning clouds with rain ending by daybreak. Partial clearing in the afternoon. High in the low 50s. Cooler near the lake with NNE winds 5-9 mph. Partly cloudy overnight. Low 39. Light variable winds.



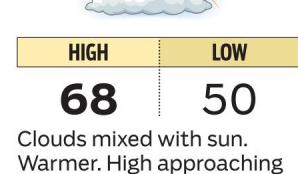
SATURDAY, APRIL 6



Mostly sunny, warmer with a high near 60. Light, south winds as high pressure moves to the east. Clouds increase overnight. Low in the mid-40s. Winds remain light and turn SSE as the high continues its eastward track.



SUNDAY, APRIL 7



Clouds mixed with sun. Warmer. High approaching 70. South wind 6-10 mph helps the temperatures rise to more than 10 degrees above normal. Cloudy overnight. Light south winds and a low near 50.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
Why was the cold front on March 28 called a pneumonia front?
— Jeff Parry, Valparaiso

Dear Jeff,
It's not a technical meteorological term, and it has nothing to do with pneumonia. It refers to a strong northeast-to-southwest cold front racing down the western shore of Lake Michigan, usually in spring or early summer when the lake is still very cold. It is accompanied by the sudden onset of northeast winds that precipitate a sharp temperature drop at the lakeshore, sometimes more than 30 degrees within an hour. The term was used by the Milwaukee Weather Bureau Office in the 1960s and probably coined by Rheinhart W. Harms, who is also credited with originating the term "Alberta clipper." The March 28 pneumonia front dropped temps from the 60s to around 40 in a few hours.

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April days get longer and warmer

APRIL TEMPERATURES IN CHICAGO

Normal Max and Min Temperatures

Normal highs rise from 53° on April 1 to 65° on April 30



APRIL WEATHER IN CHICAGO (O'HARE)*

Chicago's Normal Max and Min Temperatures

WARMEST MEAN APRIL TEMP	COOLEST MEAN APRIL TEMP	NORMAL APRIL TEMP	WETTEST APRIL	DRIEST APRIL	NORMAL APRIL PRECIPITATION	MOST SNOW IN APRIL	LEAST SNOW IN APRIL
54.6° (2010)	41.2° (2018)	48.9°	8.68" (2013)	0.74" (2004)	3.38"	10.6" (1982)	0.0" (1981, 1999, 2004, 2012, 2017)

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives *O'Hare Airport became Chicago's official weather station in 1980 MARK CARROLL, TOM VALLE / WGN-TV

RECENT APRILS IN CHICAGO

Temps and precipitation (2014-2018)

APRIL 2018	APRIL 2017	APRIL 2016	APRIL 2015	APRIL 2014
-7.7°	+4.8°	-1.1°	+0.5°	0.4°

Precipitation departures from normal

APRIL 2018	APRIL 2017	APRIL 2016	APRIL 2015	APRIL 2014
-0.66"	+3.05"	-0.58"	+0.51"	-0.54"

CHICAGO TEMPERATURES SINCE OCTOBER 2018

Observed monthly temperature departures

How far from normal?



March will be the third consecutive month with below normal temps

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