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BREAKING NEWS AT CHICAGOTRIBUNE.CO

Trump: Farmer bailout coming

Republicans field complaints as concerns spread over tariffs in US-China trade war

BY DAMIAN PALETTA,
ERICA WERNER
AND TAYLOR TELFORD
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Tuesday rushed to placate furious farmers and Senate Republicans about his escalating trade war with China,

with lawmakers now considering a package of fresh bailout funds to quell a rebellion in agricultural states.

The uproar came as farmers, lawmakers, business executives and global investors are looking to Trump for clues on how far he intends to take the trade showdown with China. On Monday,

Trump suggested the standoff could last years and lead to structural changes in the global economy.

On Tuesday, Trump offered conflicting forecasts, musing that a deal could come next month but also predicting a furious economic battle with Beijing.

In one Twitter post, he said he would sign off on a deal “when the time was right,” but in another post he called for using the U.S. Federal Reserve to thwart China’s

economic agenda.

“In any event, China wants a deal!” Trump wrote.

The mounting concern from farmers and business groups showed signs of bleeding into the 2020 presidential campaign. Trump has attacked former Vice President Joe Biden, a Democratic contender for the nomination, and alleged that Democrats didn’t act forcefully enough to counter China in past decades.

But Biden on Monday told the

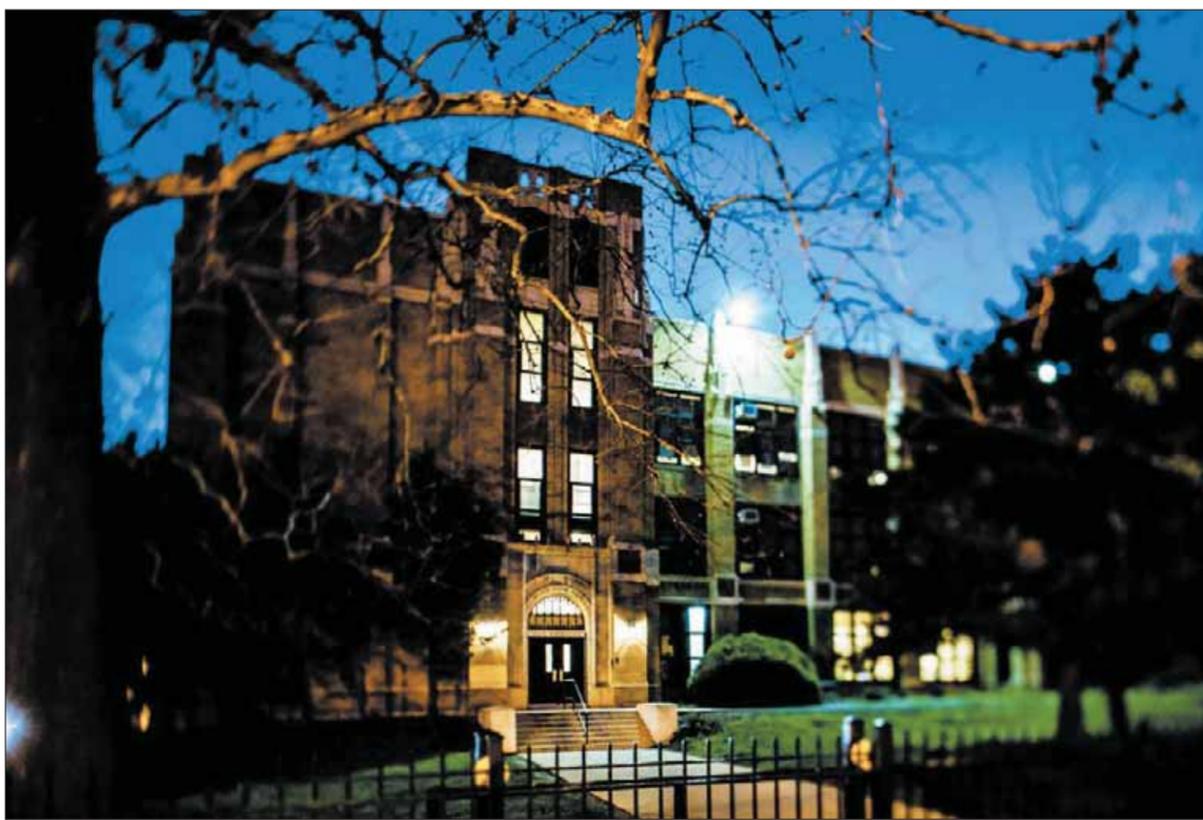
radio station WMUR that Trump was creating collateral damage with his blunt trade agenda, which has relied on costly tariffs that U.S. companies must pay to bring in Chinese products.

“The American worker is getting killed by this,” Biden said. “The American farmers are getting killed.”

In a sign of the concern gripping lawmakers, some GOP lead-

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BETRAYED UPDATE



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chicago Public Schools said it sent child-welfare experts to Hubbard High School in West Lawn to provide extra training and support.

CPS moving to fire Hubbard teachers for sexual misconduct

4 set to be ousted amid districtwide bid to review previous allegations of assault

BY JENNIFER SMITH RICHARDS | Chicago Tribune

Heightened scrutiny of abuse allegations in the Chicago Public Schools has prompted significant changes and disciplinary actions at Hubbard High School, which was spotlighted by the Tribune in its “Betrayed” series for inaction when girls reported sexual misconduct by a school employee.

The principal of the school, located in the West Lawn neighborhood, retired while the district was auditing her “practices and protocols for responding to alleged sexual misconduct,” the district said in a statement to the Tribune. And, earlier this year, that former principal was put on a do-not-hire list by CPS.

CPS also ordered special training for employees to make sure they have “the strongest possible understanding” of how to protect students.

As part of a districtwide effort to review previous allegations of assault and abuse, CPS has investigated several current and former Hubbard teachers, moving to fire four of them. Among these cases:

■ CPS filed dismissal charges against teacher Brenda Cerda on April 22 over allegations that she had sex with a student between

2006 and 2008 while teaching math at Hubbard. She later married that student and had children with him, the district said. The former student has denied having an inappropriate relationship with Cerda while at Hubbard, according to the district. Since the time of the alleged abuse, Cerda became the math department chair at Social Justice High School in Lawndale. She is suspended without pay.

■ A math teacher at Hubbard,

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Lightfoot team and aldermen talk power

Next mayor’s aides say she’ll issue order to rein in aldermanic privilege

BY JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

Mayor-elect Lori Lightfoot’s transition team told aldermen Tuesday that she plans to issue an order upon taking office next week attempting to curtail their control over issuing permits and licenses in their wards, as she tries to deliver on a difficult campaign promise to rein in so-called aldermanic privilege.

Lightfoot apparently won’t try to do away with the controversial tradition of City Council members having enormous power on local zoning questions, according to aldermen who were briefed on her plan at Lightfoot’s River North transition office. And aldermen could still line up the defeat many license proposals brought forward by city departments for approval under the Lightfoot plan.

Still, her executive order could diminish a major source of aldermen’s authority on matters such as where certain businesses can open in their wards.

While some council members said they were open to working with Lightfoot on the new rules, others said her proposed top-down approach won’t work in a city where such decisions require an intimate understanding of block-by-block realities.

Lightfoot transition officials talked to aldermen in groups about how she would deal with aldermanic privilege. She seems set to try to centralize the process

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Lightfoot

Slow down, move over or pay up

After state trooper deaths, a bill would more than double fines for violating law requiring drivers to slow down and move over. **Chicagoland**, Page 4

Hospitals graded on patient safety

In Chicago, five earn D grades, according to a new report. Illinois ranks 14th when it comes to hospitals protecting patients. **Business**

Now is the time to embrace sweet peas

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JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mother’s Day surprise

Overnight Sunday at the Lincoln Park Zoo, Rollie, a female gorilla, gave birth to an apparently healthy male, the 53rd gorilla birth in the history of the North Side institution. **A+E**

Holes seen as DCFS looked to keep families whole

‘Intact family’ services can leave children vulnerable, says report

BY ELYSSA CHERNEY
Chicago Tribune

Caseworkers tasked with helping thousands of Illinois’ most vulnerable kids face pressure to keep families together — even after evidence of abuse or neglect has emerged — and have limited options for dealing with parents who won’t cooperate, according to a report released Wednesday.

The report, ordered by Gov. J.B. Pritzker in March, examines systemic problems that are challenging the agency’s use of “intact family services.” Those services, which are provided mostly

by private agencies to about 5,000 families every year, are available to parents who have been investigated by the Department of Children and Family Services for mistreatment but retain custody of their children. In most of those cases, the department’s investigators have substantiated the allegations, but the problems are not deemed severe enough to warrant the removal of the child to foster care.

Yet the organizations that provide these services told researchers they sometimes feel like their hands are tied. They raised the concern that some of the cases they receive are “too complex, too severe or too longstanding” for them to handle but

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When: Tuesday, May 28 from 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6:15 p.m.), Studebaker Theater, 410 S. Michigan Ave.

Tickets: www.eventbrite.com/e/chicago-tribunes-unscripted-presents-john-waters-tickets-60008409769

AN INTIMATE CONVERSATION WITH VALERIE JARRETT

Chicago Tribune's publisher and editor-in-chief Bruce Dold will talk to Valerie Jarrett, former senior adviser to President Barack Obama, businesswoman, advocate for social justice about her upcoming book ("Finding My Voice: My Journey to the West Wing and the Path Forward"), her writing process and the stories that inspired her book. Following their conversation, Jarrett will stay to sign copies of her book.

When: Monday, June 3 from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6:15 p.m.), University Club of Chicago, 76 E. Monroe St.

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AN INTIMATE CONVERSATION WITH JENNIFER WEINER

Columnist Heidi Stevens will talk to New York Times best-selling author Jennifer Weiner about her newest book, "Mrs. Everything," women's rights, sexual freedom and the changing landscape of American politics. Following their conversation, Weiner will stay to sign copies of her book.

When: Thursday, June 20 from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6:15 p.m.), Venue SIX10, 610 S. Michigan Ave.

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Mayor-elect
Lori Lightfoot

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CHICAGO TRIBUNE



JOHN KASS

The first two things Lightfoot must do

The time for Rahm Emanuel to honor himself will soon be at an end, and when it is there are two things Chicago Mayor-elect Lori Lightfoot must do:

The first thing is to drop the public relations hammer on Emanuel's handling of Chicago's finances. Hammer him hard, loudly and relentlessly for his secretive ways so that he shrieks, and so that the people of Chicago know just how bad things are.

The second thing is that she must leverage reform allies into Chicago City Council committee chairmanships — in the key committees of Finance, Budget and Zoning — to begin erasing the legacy of Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, the longtime former Finance Committee chairman who stubbornly clings on as the feds build their case against him.

If she doesn't make these council committee changes, Lightfoot's reform agenda will be devoured by the carnivores in the council, who are afraid of losing power and have been whispering and scheming for days.

Without allies chairing those key council committees, Lightfoot's reform agenda will be devoured by the warlords who for generation upon generation have played politics in the broken city like players in The Chicago Way of Thrones.

I'm told Lightfoot wants reform Ald. Scott Waguespack, 32nd, chairman of the council's Progressive Caucus, as chairman of Finance. And Ald. Tom Tunney, 44th, as chairman of the Budget Committee, which for all purposes has been a satellite committee of Burke's. And Ald. Pat Dowell, 3rd, an urban planner and former deputy commissioner of planning, as chair for the Zoning Committee.

The Burke guys are worried, on the outs with Lightfoot, and talking to reporters on their own without Burke telling them to move their lips, might be difficult.

I'm told that as far as the city finances go, things are bad, much worse than Lightfoot expected. And since her victory, she's not been confident in the financial numbers Emanuel's team has offered her people.

Her reaction to all this? Seething. That's a good word.

Hey Rahm? About your desperate search for praise and legacy? I really don't think she's going to name a thing after you.

A news conference laying out the state of the city finances, and shoveling it all into Rahm's tiny lap, is the smart move, to give her breathing room to do the second thing, change council leadership to begin erasing the Burke legacy.

Burke has already been charged with federal extortion and is expected to be federally indicted — perhaps with other aldermen — in the coming weeks.

These are good and important changes if Lightfoot is ever going to hope to change the corrupt culture of City Hall. She knows this. She spent her campaign calling out the corruption. The federal charges against Burke changed the campaign, and his connections to her opponent, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, doomed Toni's campaign.

"I think this Burke moment has really been a wake-up call for people," Lightfoot told me back then. "Strangers are stopping me on the street, telling me to keep making the case. This meteor that hit is really waking people up, and we're going to keep riding that lane."

And she did. "With her mandate, winning all 50 wards, she thinks she talks directly to God, but she'll find out," said a smart Chicago politico who is partial to Emanuel.

Perhaps. There is no public evidence that Lightfoot talks directly to the Almighty. But aldermen are fervent in the belief that as a former federal prosecutor, the new mayor talks to her former colleagues at 219 S. Dearborn. She should use the fears of the corrupt to her advantage, as leverage.

The expected indictments of Burke and other aldermen will give her the leverage she needs to reform the City Council. She held briefings with aldermen on Tuesday, letting them know that while she wants to keep her campaign promise and eliminate

the practice of aldermanic control over development in their wards, but that won't be done immediately. That, too, is the smart move, as are the council changes.

As chairman of the Finance Committee, Waguespack might need to redirect the flow of the Chicago River through the Committee on Finance and the Committee on the Budget in order to cleanse them.

After all, the feds can only do so much.

If Tunney becomes chairman of the Budget Committee, he'd replace compliant Burke satellite Ald. Carrie Austin, 34th. Burke had his spies everywhere, including right next to Austin.

Tunney wanted Finance, but he'd be capable as chairman of Budget. For years, Burke has been a default boss of both Budget and Finance, and Burke controlled Austin's staff. That kind of thing just can't continue in a modern global city.

For decades, the Committee on Zoning was chaired by former Ald. William J.P. Banks, 36th, the brother of the late 36th Ward boss Sam "Pastries" Banks, a judge picker of some renown. Most recently, the committee had been chaired by former Ald. Danny "Nice Endings" Solis, 25th, who was caught on a federal wire talking about massage parlors and Asian women and spilled on his colleagues, including Burke.

The reason Burke was able to build his vast intelligence web, with his network of sparrows flying to tell him things of interest, wasn't a function of magic. It was hard work and meticulous attention to detail that made him wealthy and powerful and feared. To learn who was who, and the guy behind the guy.

It all took time. But time is something Lori Lightfoot doesn't have.

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The 6 F-words that can implode a marriage



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

After working the relationship beat at Time magazine for a decade, Belinda Luscombe came up with a list of six fault lines that can implode a marriage.

They're all F-words. Familiarity. Fighting. Family. Finances. Fooling around. Finding help.

She expands on each of the categories in a delightful new book, "Marriage-ology: The Art and Science of Staying Together," which draws on her years of collecting data, noting patterns, poring over peer-reviewed journal articles and interviewing couples counselors, sex therapists, financial advisers, sociology and psychology professors, consumer behavior experts and regular ol' married folks.

She weaves in anecdotes and lessons from her own marriage, and the resulting book is a hoot. And helpful.

"If I could talk about marriage to my wife with the intelligence and humor that Belinda Luscombe does in this book," writer Joel Stein offers in a blurb, "I'd be having a lot more sex."

There's no shortage of books about preserving and sustaining a marriage, Luscombe acknowledges. But it's an ever-changing institution — we need it for different reasons than we used to, we expect different things from it than we used to, we wage culture wars over it in ways we didn't use to.

"Then there are the shock waves of globalism, massive digital innovation and the information revolution; seismic shifts that have all shaped the intimate little bond between two people," she writes. "Alongside those, a swarm of smaller changes have also buffeted its boundaries: the renaissance of the city, marriage equality, gender fluidity, Netflix, texting, the iPhone, Blue Apron, free online porn, #MeToo."

Help! The advice is not rocket science. But it's framed in an approachable way and surrounded by science, which invites you, as you read, to go, "Am I doing that?"



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Should I be?"

"With any habitual behavior, the easiest way to change it is to start small," she writes. "Making a few slight tweaks to the way you treat your spouse can have a huge payoff."

She suggests forming this habit:

1. Notice something good your spouse did. (Actively look for it, if you have to.)

2. Thank them for doing it.

3. Do not immediately follow this expression of gratitude with any caveats, if at all possible. ("Thanks so much for cooking dinner but I think you used up all the good Parmesan": UNACCEPTABLE. "Thanks so much for lighting the fire": ACCEPTABLE.)

She suggests considering and protecting your marriage like an entity in and of itself, the way athletes consider and work for the good of their own fortunes, but also their team's.

"There is your lover and then there is the partnership you have made together, the marriage or the relationship, which has its own value," she writes. "You're

not just there for him or her or you, but also for some third thing that exists beyond the two of you."

If there are kids in the mix, she recommends remembering you are more than parents.

"The kids are not the reason you got together; they're a very absorbing project you have undertaken with each other, like a three-dimensional mobile jigsaw puzzle that talks back and leaves its underwear in the bathroom," she writes.

Equally dividing the work of parenting helps. Luscombe interviewed one mother who described her and her husband's approach to child-rearing as, "one of us robbing the bank and the other driving the getaway car."

And the kids should not always be in the getaway car.

"Sometimes this kind of partnership will require taking a vacation without the kids," Luscombe writes. "On other occasions it will simply require remembering to put the other adult above the kids now and then."

She suggests getting comfortable and honest about the way you approach money and its role

in your marriage.

"One school of thought even argues that money is the first subject therapists should address," she writes, "because it flings open the door to what's really going on in people's interior lives and gets at the root of so many issues that bedevil relationships: family of origin, boundaries, trust, conflict and power."

She suggests scheduling sex, even if that seems lame.

"What else do you do in your life that's of value to you that's not planned?" sex researcher Lori Brotto tells Luscombe. "Really, nothing. When you plan sex and you talk about it, it opens up possibilities to fantasy and anticipation, and actually thinking about the factors that give rise to a pleasurable sexual encounter."

The book is surprisingly sweet.

"There is within most of us a deep desire to be in an intimate relationship with another person," Luscombe writes. "Not to just have a playmate, but the full megillah, a husband or a wife or another warm body who is only ours and who cares for us as for no other, and who has promised

to accompany us for the whole journey, all the way to the end of the map."

And it's nice to have directions.

Join the Heidi Stevens Balancing Act Facebook group, where she continues the conversation around her columns and hosts occasional live chats.

Catch Heidi Stevens in conversation with bestselling author Jennifer Weiner at 7 p.m. June 20 at Venue SIX10, 610 S. Michigan Ave. Tickets are \$42 at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/chicago-tribunes-unscheduled-presents-jennifer-weiner-tickets-60008851089>.

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Pamela Bailey Wilson, the widow of slain Chicago police Officer Michael Bailey, was at the Leighton Criminal Court Building on Tuesday.

Son, widow of slain off-duty cop testify at suspect's murder trial

Nearly 9 years after killing, they share memories of night

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

The son and widow of slain Chicago police Officer Michael Bailey each took the witness stand Tuesday and recalled in quiet and deliberate tones the chaos that erupted nine years ago in their own front yard.

Testifying at the trial of Anton Carter, Bailey's son, Michael Jr., said he had just returned to his attic bedroom after a night out when he heard two gunshots, then a pause and at least five more shots. He jumped up, looked out the window and spotted his father lying motionless in the street.

Bailey's wife, Pamela Bailey Wilson, was asleep in bed with two of her grandchildren when she heard screaming. She rushed out the front door.

"He was laying on his back and his eyes were still open, and I touched him and his body was warm," she said, shaking her head at the memory. "But he never moved or never acknowledged me or anything."

The accounts came on the first day of testimony at the trial of Carter, who prosecutors allege killed the off-duty officer in a botched carjacking in July 2010.

Jurors also heard two men — one an inmate at the time — testify to overhearing Carter brag about the slaying.

In opening statements, Assistant State's Attorney Jennifer Keat-

ing told jurors that Bailey, 62, looked like an "easy target" to Carter.

"He saw an older gentleman, salt-and pepper hair. He was standing next to a shiny brand-new Buick Regal," she said. "He walked up to him. He pointed his gun in that target's face."

The prosecutor said Carter attempted to rob Bailey of his new car, an early retirement present, sparking a shootout in which Bailey emptied his gun but was shot three times.

After hearing the gunfire, Bailey's son testified, he took two guns from the house and ran outside.

He pulled open the unbuttoned jersey worn by his father over his blue police uniform and saw the bullet wounds.

"Once in the neck and once in the chest," the younger Bailey said.

"Was your father talking?" Assistant State's Attorney Peter Goutos asked.

"He was trying, but no," Bailey replied.

Bailey said he noticed a truck speed off, its tires squealing. Assuming the truck was connected to the shooting, he said he tried to shoot at it in a rage.

But neither gun worked — one was not even real, unbeknownst to the son — so he tossed them aside and ran back to his father.

Prosecutors allege Carter fled on foot and within days started to brag about the shooting to just about anyone who would listen.

Anton Brown, whose parents lived near the house where Carter was staying in late July and early August 2010, said he overheard

Carter talk about the shooting to his friends twice in a span of a few days.

"He said he went out. He needed some money, but it didn't happen that way. The man flinched like he had a weapon and he bucked," Brown said. "He directly said he didn't give a f---. He'd do it again."

On cross-examination, Brown admitted that at least one of Carter's own friends disbelieved his story about killing the officer.

Floyd Payne testified he heard Carter bragging in December 2010 when both were in a lockup at the courthouse in suburban Bridgeview.

"The dark-skinned skinny guy said something like he killed a police officer," said Payne, who went on to allege Carter also mentioned the shooting occurred early in the morning and that he told others detainees where he had stashed the weapon.

In opening statements earlier Tuesday, Carter's attorney contended all that talk amounted to nothing but bluster.

"Anton Carter at that time was a 23-year-old young man, somewhat homeless, kind of a braggart," Assistant Public Defender Ed Koziboski told jurors. "(He) liked to present as kind of a tough guy, liked to present as an outlaw, someone who did bad things. And he saw this as an opportunity to mythologize himself, make himself look like more than he was. And he started telling stories."

Yet Carter's confessions to friends and fellow inmates were inconsistent with what actually happened, Koziboski said.

"He will tell them things that didn't happen," he said. "He will tell them about an event that doesn't really look like what happened here, beyond what was available to the public on the news."

Bailey was among five Chicago police officers killed in 2010, one of the department's deadliest years in decades. Carter, now 32, was not charged with the killing until a year after Bailey's death.

Jurors are expected to hear from additional jailhouse informants, as well as view parts of Carter's videotaped statement to police. Prosecutors will also present evidence about a similar carjacking — for which Carter was convicted — around the same time and location as Carter's slaying.

One juror was dismissed from the panel Tuesday. The man, identified only by his juror number, told Judge Stanley Sacks that he was a Bosnian immigrant and the proceedings were exacerbating his "post-war syndrome stress."

Sacks initially accused the man of simply trying to find a way out of jury duty. But hours later, he dismissed the juror from the panel after noting that the man spent the afternoon's testimony looking downward, holding his face in his hands. He excoriated the juror for not raising the issue during jury selection Monday.

The juror's dismissal leaves the panel with 12 jurors plus two alternates for a trial that is expected to last into next week.

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On way out, mayor sorry for 'shame' he's brought Sandwich

BY LINDA GIRARDI
The Beacon-News

Sandwich Mayor Rick Olson apologized in a letter of resignation after he was charged last week with soliciting a prostitute, saying "I sincerely apologize for the shame I have brought and I pray that the city will continue to prosper."

Olson's letter was read Monday night during a City Council meeting during which council members expressed shock at the charge against the mayor.

Olson was one of nine people charged Friday in a March 14 solicitation sting in LaSalle County. He was charged with solicitation of a sexual act, a misdemeanor.

Olson was elected mayor in 2013 and re-elected in 2017. He was midway through his second term, which expires in 2021.

"My hope and prayer are that, by my resignation, I can spare any additional dishonor to that office," he said.

Olson, who previously served as Sandwich's police chief for 16 years, said in his letter that he regretfully resigned because of a "personal legal matter" outside

his duties as mayor.

"My goal now is to seek the forgiveness of my family and move forward to reinstall the trust that I alone have broken," he said.

"Sandwich has a very bright future and my hope is that my misdeeds won't tarnish that future."

Olson went to City Hall earlier Monday and signed a notarized letter of resignation, city officials said. He did not attend Monday night's meeting. About 45 residents were there but none spoke during the meeting.

"Are we shocked? Yes, we are," 2nd Ward Ald. Cara Killey said.

"We are going to get past this. It's just going to take time."

"People are disappointed, but I do believe this is a town with big shoulders," 3rd Ward Ald. Shane Surratt said.

The community has weathered storms before and can do it again, he said.

"This is a different kind of storm, but we will be fine," Surratt said.

The mayor broke the news to him on Friday, Surratt said.

"He said that he was part of an



Olson

investigation into a sting for solicitation of prostitution. I was taken aback. I have known the mayor for a long time. I grew up with his son. I have known him for 25 years or better," Surratt said.

"I have known the guy to be a great person. Unfortunately, he had a mishap that he shouldn't have had. It's the nicest way to put it."

Olson cleared out his office over the weekend, but he was not under pressure to resign by members of the City Council, Surratt said.

"He felt that it was his duty to accept responsibility and step down," Surratt said.

"None of us told him to resign. He could still be the mayor of Sandwich; it's not a felony."

The City Council appointed as mayor pro tem Ald. Rich Robinson, who is in his 20th year on the City Council.

The City Council will meet as a committee Monday and likely discuss a mayoral replacement in executive session, City Clerk Denise Ii said. "This is uncharted waters for us because the replacement of a mayor is not in the

municipal code," Ii said.

LaSalle County Sheriff Tom Templeton released information Friday on a joint undercover investigation led by his office and Tri-DENT Drug Task Force, along with Ottawa and Peru police departments.

The investigation was conducted on three dates, starting in December, according to a press release. Three women were arrested for prostitution in the first phase. The second portion took place March 14 and April 4 in Ottawa and Peru through an informant and "targeted the people soliciting the sex acts."

The men were interviewed and subsequently released on those dates. The nine men were each mailed a notice to appear in court May 31.

Other people charged included a Peru hospital executive and a Putnam County public defender.

"We are a close-knit town. We will weather this," Ii said. "My prayers go out to his family and him. He was a good mayor and made a mistake. He's paying a heavy price. We will all persevere."

Linda Girardi is a freelance reporter for the Beacon-News.

Violating Scott's Law to cost lots more cash

After trooper deaths, bill would hike fines for not moving over

BY DAN PETRELLA
Chicago Tribune

After the deaths of two Illinois State Police troopers in roadside collisions this year, Gov. J.B. Pritzker and his state police director are joining a bipartisan group of lawmakers in backing legislation that would increase penalties for drivers who don't slow down or move over for vehicles on the side of the road.

The proposal, filed Tuesday by Democratic state Rep. Marcus Evans of Chicago, would increase the minimum fine for a first violation of the move-over law, also known as Scott's Law, to \$250 from \$100. Subsequent violations would carry a minimum fine of \$750. Violators also would be charged an additional \$250 fee that would help fund education and enforcement of the law.

"We're here today to say, 'Enough is enough,'" Evans said Tuesday at a news conference at state police headquarters in Springfield, where he was joined by the governor, acting Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly and a bipartisan group of lawmakers from the House and Senate.

The legislation comes after 16 state police squad cars have been struck and two troopers killed so far this year in crashes that involved alleged violations of Scott's Law, which requires drivers to slow down and, if safe to do so, change lanes when approaching a vehicle on the side of the road with emergency or hazard lights flashing.

"There are few times that this office weighs heavier on me than when we lose one of our finest," Pritzker said. "The calls to comfort the families, the funerals laying our heroes to rest — there have been too many."

Illinois State Trooper Christopher Lambert, 34, was killed Jan. 12 when assisting with a multiple-vehicle crash on northbound Interstate 294 near Willow Road. Trooper Brooke Jones-Story, also 34, was struck and killed outside her car on U.S. Highway 20 in Freeport on March 28 — three days after Pritzker and Kelly held a news conference to call attention to the law.

In addition to upping fines, the proposal under consideration in the House would make it a Class A misdemeanor or if a violation of the law results in damage to another vehicle and a Class 4 felony if it results in injury or death. A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by up to a year in jail; a Class 4 felony by 1 to 3 years in prison.

Reckless homicide cases involving violations of Scott's Law that result in the death of a firefighter or emergency medical services worker would be a Class 2 felony, punishable by 3 to 7 years in prison, mirroring the penalty for crashes that kill police officers.

"We are going to protect the protectors," said Republican Rep. John Cabello, a Rockford police detective.

As part of their enforcement effort, state police have issued more than 2,000 citations for violations of the law this year, Kelly said, more than double the number for all of 2018. He said the agency will continue working to educate the public about the law.

"Forty years ago, no one wore seat belts," Kelly said. "Change for the better, change that saves lives, is possible."

Named for Chicago Fire Department Lt. Scott Gillen, who was killed in 2000 on the Bishop Ford Freeway by a driver who was later convicted of reckless homicide, Scott's Law was enacted in 2002 for emergency vehicles with their lights activated and expanded in 2017 to include all vehicles on the side of the road with hazard lights flashing.

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Trial opens into grisly death of 2-year-old

Dismembered body found in Garfield Park Lagoon in '15

BY WILLIAM LEE
Chicago Tribune

Relatives of 2-year-old Kyrian Knox quietly sobbed or bowed their heads Tuesday as Cook County prosecutors showed photos of the boy's body parts recovered from the Garfield Park Lagoon as the trial into his grisly death began in earnest.

In opening statements to jurors at Kamel Harris' trial, prosecutors said Kyrian's desperate young mother, Lanisha Knox, had little choice in mid-August 2015 but to leave her son with Harris and five others in a two-bedroom apartment in Rockford. Knox and Harris' daughter left for Iowa for a couple of weeks to set up new lives, jobs and an apartment.

But prosecutors said Harris stopped responding

to calls or texts by the first week of September.

Without detailing exactly how the boy died, prosecutors alleged that Harris had "snapped" and killed Kyrian, dismembered the body and scattered his weighted-down remains in the lagoon on Chicago's West Side.

Much like another high-profile trial — the killing of an off-duty Chicago cop — also underway at the Leighton Criminal Court Building, prosecutors appear to be relying to an extent on the testimony of jailhouse informants — notoriously unreliable evidence in the eyes of some experts. Other inmates heard Harris confess to the slaying while he was in Winnebago County Jail on another charge, according to Assistant State's Attorney Andrea Turano.

Turano said the prosecution doesn't have fingerprint or DNA evidence linking Harris to the killing



Harris

because of how the boy's dismembered body was disposed of in the lagoon.

Amid the weed- and debris-strewn lagoon, Chicago police found Kyrian's left foot in a grove of willow trees along the shoreline on Sept. 5, 2015, before locating the child's right foot, both hands and eventually his head — weighted down with a barbell, police said at the time. Authorities never found the rest of his body.

Harris, 44, dressed in a dark suit and wearing dark framed eyeglasses and dreadlocks down his back, sat forward at the defense table, listening intently as prosecutors laid out their allegations that he angrily killed the child.

He faces charges of first-degree murder, concealment of a homicidal death and dismemberment of a human being in the trial in Judge Timothy Joyce's courtroom.

Kyrian's relatives lined the front row of the courtroom gallery for the first day of testimony.

Turano sought to portray Lanisha Knox, Kyrian's mother, as a struggling single young woman forced to make desperate choices such as leaving her child with Harris so that she could start over in Iowa.

But in opening remarks, Harris' lawyers countered by painting Knox as an impulsive young mother who often shuttled between cities when she became bored, dragging her small child along.

Assistant Public Defender Julie Koehler also mentioned a supposedly tense relationship between Knox and Kyrian's father, noting a mean-spirited social media conversation between the two before the boy's disappearance.

Koehler also told jurors Knox had sent three people to retrieve Kyrian from the

Rockford apartment.

Harris believed "everything was fine" after the boy left with the three in a burgundy SUV, Koehler said.

In the afternoon, Knox took the witness stand, testifying about her life on the city's West Side, the casual relationship with a high school classmate that led to the birth of her son in 2013 and her fight for independence as a single mother with little money.

After living with her mom for a time in Georgia, Knox said she reconnected with Harris' daughter. The two came up with a plan to work in Iowa, share an apartment and raise their sons, said Knox, who indicated they no longer speak since Harris was charged in the killing.

But under cross-examination, Knox, now 28, agreed that after dropping her son off at Harris' apartment, she never got a sense

of anything amiss in his household or that her son would face any danger. She also testified the two-week arrangement stretched on an additional week because she received her paycheck a week later than agreed.

She also agreed that her communication with her son at Harris' home became more sporadic, first after her own phone service was shut off and then after she was told one of the children in the home dropped Harris' phone in the toilet.

But she pushed back against claims that she gave permission for anyone to pick up her son.

Police previously said Harris killed Kyrian after the lactose-intolerant child — a fact challenged by Knox in her testimony — was fed milk and cried for an afternoon. Prosecutors said Harris confessed to another person that he was angry Kyrian's mother hadn't given him enough money.

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Spring bearer meets flower girl

Nicole Pare takes photos of her daughter Alice amid the blooming flowers in Millennium Park on Tuesday on a day temperatures hovered near 70 degrees in some places.

Ex-police commander pleads guilty to theft

Stole \$363K from Social Security after mom's death

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

A former Chicago police commander who earned praise for overseeing big reductions in violence in the Englewood community pleaded guilty Tuesday to stealing more than \$360,000 in Social Security payments intended for his mother that he continued to collect after her death 25 years ago.

In all, Kenneth Johnson admitted to bilking the Social Security Administration out of \$363,064 from the time of his mother's death in May 1994 to November 2017, when the scheme was uncovered, according to his plea agreement with prosecutors.

Preliminary guidelines call for Johnson to be sentenced to up to about two years in prison for the felony conviction on one count of theft of government funds. U.S. District Judge Manish Shah set sentencing for Sept. 11.

Dressed in a gray suit and wearing eyeglasses, Johnson, 55, kept his hands clasped behind his back in court as Shah asked him if he understood his legal rights and the possible penalties he faces.

When the judge asked him how he wanted to proceed, Johnson replied softly, "I want to plead guilty, your honor." According to his plea agreement, Johnson had a joint bank account with his mother in which she received monthly electronic deposits from Social Security. But Johnson failed to notify the government of his mother's death, instead continuing to

collect the deposits and use them for his own benefit for more than 23 years, according to the agreement.

The 32-year Police Department veteran retired in August, three months before he was charged by the U.S. attorney's office. His police pay then was \$169,500 a year.

Johnson's attorney, Michael Clancy, said in an emailed statement after court that Johnson "took responsibility for mistakes made after the death of his mother that he has regretted and lived with for a number of years."

"He apologizes to the City of Chicago and the citizens he faithfully served and hopes this does not diminish the good work he was honored to be part of in the community," the statement read.

Superintendent Eddie Johnson said at the time charges were filed that he was "shocked and very disappointed" to learn of Cmdr. Johnson's alleged crime.

"I knew Cmdr. Johnson well from his efforts to reduce violence in Englewood, but if proven, these allegations erode the public's trust and tarnish his service to Chicago," the superintendent said in November.

Johnson's efforts as Englewood's police commander were heavily touted by the superintendent, who often spoke of the district's reductions in shootings and homicides during public appearances. In 2017, the superintendent noted how nonfatal shootings in the district were at their lowest levels in years.

"Today, and I never thought I'd say this after being a cop for nearly 30 years, Englewood is leading the city in violence reduc-



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Preliminary guidelines call for Kenneth Johnson to be sentenced to up to about two years in prison.

tions this year," the superintendent said in a speech at a City Club of Chicago luncheon.

Police officials have credited some of the improvement in Englewood to a Strategic Decision Support Center that allows district personnel to, among other things, analyze real-time crime data to predict where shootings will occur and use gun detection technology to help officers respond more quickly to those incidents.

During an interview with the Tribune last year, Kenneth Johnson, who became a Chicago cop in 1986 and took over as Englewood's commander in 2016, also credited some of the district's violence reduction at that point to inroads that officers had made with anti-violence outreach workers and citizens in the communities who long distrusted the police.

But he acknowledged that fully winning over the community would take a lot more time.

"This trust, it's not an easily won thing," he told a Tribune reporter at police headquarters, flanked by his twin brother, Kevin Johnson, who was promoted in August to deputy chief. "Trust is easily broken and very difficult to win."

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Anti-abortion extremist to serve 1 1/2 years jail for online threats

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

An Indiana anti-abortion activist was sentenced Tuesday to a year and a half in federal prison for sending a series of online death threats to Chicago-area abortion clinics — acts the judge denounced as terrorism.

In rejecting a defense plea for home detention for Luke Wiersma, U.S. District Judge Manish Shah said a message needed to be sent that making online threats — however easy it may be — has "no place here."

"Using threats of violence as a means to advance an agenda... is terrorism," the judge told Wiersma. "Too many people think this is an available tool to intimidate a perceived enemy, but ... it's a serious federal offense."

Wiersma, 35, of Dyer, pleaded guilty last year to two counts of making threats to injure another. A onetime member of the extremist anti-abortion

group Army of God, Wiersma admitted in a plea agreement with prosecutors to emailing a series of threats in 2015 and 2017 promising to bomb clinics in Hammond and Chicago, burn them to the ground and murder both employees and patients.

"You will all f---ing pay for what you do," one message sent to the Chicago clinic in 2017 read. "If not by my hand it will be by somebody else's. I want you to burn, I want you all to Die."

Prosecutors said that while Wiersma might not have acted on the threats, his words struck fear in employees and volunteers and had serious repercussions for the operation of both facilities.

The Hammond clinic briefly shut down — then reopened in a mobile trailer — while investigating whether the threats were connected to a bullet hole found in the office's window, prosecutors said in a recent court filing.

The Chicago facility, meanwhile, sent staffers an "active shooter guide" in response to the threats. Many patients stayed away after learning of the threats, while those who did come in "felt terrified and hyper-aware," prosecutors said.

Prosecutors also said in the filing that Wiersma owned three guns and "has a history of association with the Ku Klux Klan."

In an interview with law enforcement after his arrest last year, Wiersma acknowledged having "mental arguments" with himself about whether it was right to hurt others in order to stop abortion, prosecutors said in the filing.

Before he was sentenced, Wiersma stood at the lectern and apologized to those he'd threatened, saying he's read the victims' letters "over and over" and now understands his "actions terrorized them and caused them great fear."

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Ald. Proco 'Joe' Moreno arrested

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
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Ald. Proco "Joe" Moreno was taken into Chicago police custody Tuesday night on an arrest warrant, police confirmed.

Further details were not immediately available, but police had been investigating for months whether Moreno lied to authorities in January when he reported his car stolen.

Moreno, 1st, reported to police Jan. 4 that he returned home from a trip to find that the vehicle, a

leased black 2016 Audi A6 sedan, was missing from his Wicker Park property and that no one else had access to the vehicle, police said.

Police located the car in February when they saw a woman driving it and initially charged her with misdemeanor trespass to a motor vehicle, authorities confirmed.

But the woman, Liliya Hrabar, told the Tribune that Moreno — whom she said she dates on and off —



Moreno

let her use the car.

Cook County prosecutors dropped the charge against Hrabar, the state's attorney's office confirmed, and police opened an investigation into

the possibility of a false report.

Moreno lost his bid for re-election to newcomer Daniel La Spata.

His term is slated to end May 20.

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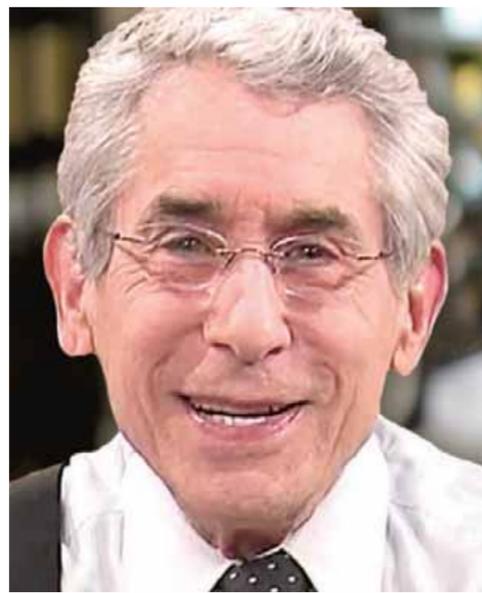
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Aldermen

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of issuing permits for things such as business driveways and residential building projects, plus licenses for things like liquor sales and block parties. While those actions now take place at City Hall, they in practice need the local alderman's support to make it through the City Council.

Lightfoot did not attend the briefings, according to aldermen, which in some cases increased their irritation that she hasn't been communicating with them much since her April 2 election.

In a statement, Lightfoot said the order she'll sign Monday will be a first step in ending aldermanic privilege. And, following criticism from some council members, she said she'll collaborate with aldermen on the process.

"I was pleased to hear that my team received wide ranging feedback from aldermen, which we will work to take into account to ensure a smooth implementation process," Lightfoot said in the statement. "As we emphasized to aldermen today, aldermanic voice is critical, both in developing citywide policy and in making local decisions. But the days of aldermanic prerogative as an unchecked veto are over."

Lightfoot has spoken at length about the executive order in recent weeks, without giving many specifics. In a Tuesday interview with WBBM-AM 780 political editor Craig Dellimore, she said she doesn't want to stop aldermen from advocating for their wards. "But what will change is their ability to stop literally anything in their wards in their tracks unilaterally, without any oversight or any voice from anybody else," she said.

Southwest Side Ald. George Cardenas, 12th, said standardizing the license and permitting process could be a good place to start.

"For every item people come and see (City Hall) about, whether it's a permit for building a house or a permit for opening a business, they're automatically, 'Go see your alderman.' And that has to stop," Cardenas said. "City Hall has to be accountable and has to have an easier process for folks, residents as well as businesses, to be able to take in the requests and process it in an expeditious way."

Ald.-elect Daniel La Spata, 1st, came out of the briefing and said he still had questions about which processes Lightfoot wants to take out of aldermen's hands. "That's the question that we're still looking to answer," La Spata said. "Honestly, we looked at a slideshow of all of four slides. And it did not really show a list of exactly what is going to be affected. So there's a lot that we are learning, and we're going to learn on Monday along with the rest of the general public."

Aldermen long have informally administered such business, and they have repeatedly gotten in legal trouble over the years for taking bribes in exchange for permits or licenses. The practice was thrust into the spotlight when veteran Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, was charged by federal authorities in January with attempted extortion for allegedly leaning on Texas-based restaurateurs to hire his law firm in exchange for help with permits needed to renovate a Burger King



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Lightfoot transition officials talked to aldermen, including James Cappleman, 46th, about her plans.



Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th, said after the briefing he's still skeptical of how the next mayor's plan will work.

in his Southwest Side ward. Burke has denied wrongdoing.

During her successful mayoral campaign, Lightfoot hammered on the Burke charge as evidence of the corruption of Chicago's political machine, and said she would deal with aldermanic privilege as soon as she took office. It's hard to legislate it out of existence, however, because privilege is mainly a tradition of City Council members acceding to the wishes of their colleagues on local matters.

Southwest Side Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th, came out of the briefing skeptical about how this would work. "She defines (privilege) as the alderman's power to initiate, block or delay action in our wards, which basically is our entire job description, which is what she wants to curtail," he said.

"She said she's going to instruct her departments on day one, 'If you can proceed with anything without aldermanic ap-

proval, do it,'" Lopez said. "That could be anything from sidewalk cafes, public way use, block parties, driveways, loading zones, and special events in and around your ward. A number of us had concerns about that for safety reasons. Obviously there are things about our wards that we know best, particularly when it comes to block parties and parades and things of that nature."

Many of those issues require City Council approval, so aldermen could still vote to deny a permit or license after a city department gives an initial approval. That could be a big problem for business owners who think they're on the way to getting a key approval they need, only to find out later that the City Council has shot it down because the local alderman has concerns about the plan, Lopez said.

And he questioned why Lightfoot would pick this fight with aldermen when she will need their support for "much more

pressing matters" such as Police Department reform. "You won't have that leverage in the fights that are needed further down the road that are going to be of much more importance to the city of Chicago than whether or not an alderman has the right to make decisions in their ward."

Latino Caucus Chairman Ald. Gilbert Villegas, 36th, said he understands Lightfoot wants to deliver on her campaign promise to address prerogative, but wondered about the need to do so this quickly before her administration gets a look at the legislative process. "Her people should have convened a few aldermen to discuss what they wanted to accomplish on aldermanic privilege, and right now we should all be talking about the ways to deal with the financial cliff the city faces," Villegas said. "We have bigger issues to deal with."

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Stalled civilian oversight plan for police gains backers

Several incoming aldermen say they will reintroduce ordinance

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

Several incoming aldermen said Tuesday they will reintroduce a long-stalled, long-shot ordinance that would create the Civilian Police Accountability Commission, a panel that would have the power to appoint and fire the police superintendent, investigate all police shootings and alleged misconduct, and overhaul the current disciplinary process.

Socialist Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th, pushed the proposal before the current City Council, but the measure was voted down in the Public Safety Committee.

At a City Hall news conference Tuesday, Ramirez-Rosa was joined by incoming Alds. Jeanette Taylor, 20th; Mike Rodriguez, 22nd; Felix Cardona, 31st; and Rossana Rodriguez Sanchez, 33rd. Ramirez-Rosa said he would try again to pass the measure after the new City Council is sworn in May 20.

"On the first full meeting of Chicago's City Council, we are going to reintroduce the ordinance that will bring about community control of the police through an all-civilian, all-elected board," Ramirez-Rosa said.

CPAC is a popular idea among some activists that has not found much support from city officials.

The legislation would "create a democratically elected body consisting of community members from each of Chicago's police districts, empowered to hold police accountable and determine how our communities are policed," the sponsors said in a news release.

During the mayoral campaign, Mayor-elect Lori Lightfoot said she supports the Grassroots Alliance for Police Accountability, a rival plan to CPAC that she said is "more inclusive" and viable.

Asked about Lightfoot's support for GAPA, Ramirez-Rosa said the "existing bureaucracy" can't ensure police accountability and a more radical proposal is needed.

"GAPA is like the Affordable Care Act. You take an existing bureaucracy that's failing to provide justice, you try to jerry-rig new regulations around it in hopes you can rein that in and get a more just outcome," Ramirez-Rosa said. "CPAC is more like 'Medicare for All' ... where you say the existing system is rotted, it's not serving us, let's get rid of all existing bureaucracy and let's bring in ... community control."

Taylor, a former hunger striker who opposed Mayor Rahm Emanuel's school closings, said she supports CPAC because it's what her community wants.

"We are beholden to the constituents in our community. That's who we're beholden to," Taylor said. "I didn't come down here to make friends. As a matter of fact, half my co-workers I cussed out already during my organizing days."

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DCFS

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that it's difficult to decline a case or question the appropriateness of such referrals, said Dana Weiner, a lead researcher of the six-week study. The caseworkers also reported that they didn't believe judges, prosecutors or department investigators would support more intensive interventions if they petitioned for it.

Families are also not required to accept the services, which can range from mental health counseling to parenting classes. Supporters of intact services note that removing a child from relatives and finding a foster care placement is a traumatic experience that should be avoided when a child's well-being is not compromised.

"The intact providers do their best to serve the families that they are assigned with the resources that they have available to them," said Weiner of Chapin Hall, a child welfare think tank based at the University of Chicago that put out the study. "But I think that the expectation that removals will be avoided sometimes discourages them from applying critical thinking and the best course of intervention for a family."

Pritzker commissioned the report on March 27, the same day he appointed a new acting director for DCFS, which has seen a revolving door of leaders over the

past decade. The announcement followed several highly publicized deaths of children whose families had received intact family services, including that of 17-month-old Semaj Crosby, who was found dead under a couch in her dilapidated Joliet-area home in the midst of an open case. In Chicago, 2-year-old Ja'hir Gibbons was fatally beaten on March 18, two days after a caseworker visited and reported the boy and his older brother were safe.

DCFS is now investigating whether the caseworker filed a false report after Ja'hir's death.

DCFS Acting Director Marc Smith said he is dedicated to improving intact services and will begin implementing reforms within the next 60 days to help intact workers, investigators and supervisors.

Those workers will be retrained in safety enhancement protocols, Smith said. Additionally, staff members who were identified as playing a role in some of the previous high-profile cases will receive additional support starting next week, including training in a simulation lab.

"We will make sure that the message is clear: If the child is unsafe, we don't want there to be any hesitation about removing a child," he said.

Nearly all intact family services — or about 85 percent — are provided by community-based organizations that have contracts with DCFS. The caseworkers are only supposed to have 10 open cases at a time, the report said.

When possible, the department retains the highest-risk cases to address in-house.

The Chapin Hall report identified 41 child deaths due to mistreatment that were investigated by the agency's inspector general between 2014 and 2018. In six of those cases, the fatality occurred while there was an open intact family services case.

The report did not include a review of the circumstances that led to the death last month of 5-year-old Andrew "AJ" Freund of Crystal Lake. His parents have been charged with fatally beating him after a long history of contact with DCFS, which had previously placed him in foster care for a time.

The Chapin Hall report did look at three recent deaths of children whose families had received intact family services. It does not name the victims in those cases, but does offer details about one in which a DCFS investigator saw a child's torso that was "covered in welts." But the investigator did not substantiate the allegations of abuse because "hospital staff could no longer locate the welts the investigator had already seen," the report states. The report did not say how long it took the investigator to obtain a medical evaluation. Because the abuse was not substantiated, the child stayed with the family, and the case was never brought to court for possible removal of the child.

DCFS in Illinois has the lowest foster care entry rate in the

country, according to the report. That was achieved by a number of strategies starting in the late 1990s aimed at keeping children with families that reduced the number of kids in foster care from more than 50,000 to about 15,000 today, Weiner said.

Intact family services is one way DCFS has kept the number of children in foster care down. In 2012, the department privatized intact services as it faced budget cuts. But the agency did not implement performance or financial incentives to ensure the quality of services being delivered, the report said.

After privatization, the department saw a surge of deaths in homes that were receiving intact family services from the contract agencies, many of which are nonprofits, the Tribune reported in 2017. The Tribune found that 15 children had died between 2012 and 2016 as their families were given intact services compared with only one such child death under the program from 2007 through 2011.

Weiner said another troubling conclusion from the new report was that service providers often have to close cases, without a procedure for notifying the department, if parents are not cooperative. In those situations, caseworkers can call the child abuse hotline to file a report, but there's no guarantee the department will follow up.

That situation arose in August 2018 when 10 children, ranging in age from 3 months to 16 years,

were left alone in a Little Village apartment without working smoke detectors and killed in an early-morning fire. The mother of six of the children had been investigated by DCFS 22 times for abuse or neglect and declined intact family services in 2014, according to a memo from the inspector general's office. Over the years, the mother had been investigated for providing inadequate supervision, poor school attendance by the children and possible criminal activity. All of the reports were unfounded.

"Intact family services is meant to meet the needs of potentially the highest risk group of children and families," Weiner said. "When one of those families is referred for intact family services and can't be engaged, the idea that then there could potentially be no further contact with that family ... is alarming and needs to be addressed by the department."

The report offered nine recommendations to improve intact services, some of which could be implemented immediately while others dealt with longer-term solutions. Among the recommendations, the report said the department should clarify expectations for caseworkers, increase oversight of the program, and work with the courts and state's attorneys' offices to better establish criteria for the removal of children.

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Man given \$500K bail in hit-and-run that badly hurt kid

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A man accused of driving on a revoked license when his pickup hit a 7-year-old girl over the weekend near St. Charles was held in lieu of \$500,000 bail after a hearing Tuesday as the girl improved to fair condition at a northwest suburban hospital.

Brian Quartuccio, 42, was charged with felony failure to report an accident causing injury; driving with a revoked license; and driving with a revoked license and causing an accident with injury. He also was charged with operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, both misdemeanors, said Patrick Gengler, a spokesman for the Kane County Sheriff's Office.

Investigators said the collision happened about 1 p.m. Sunday as the girl, identified by family members as Lexi Hanson, was riding her bike in the neighborhood where both she and Quartuccio live. She was near Geneva and Courier avenues, north of St. Charles, when the driver of a Dodge pickup rammed into her and drove off, police said.

The pickup was found abandoned nearby — with a dog, a German shepherd, still inside, Gengler said.

Quartuccio was ordered held on bail at a hearing Tuesday morning in Kane County Circuit Court, according to the county state's attorney's office.

Quartuccio has three drunken-driving convictions from offenses in 2004 and 2012 in DuPage County and one in 2007 in Kane County, court records show.

He had been on probation in both Kane and DuPage counties after being

found guilty in 2018 of driving with a revoked license, according to court records. He was to complete his yearlong probation from Kane County on May 30. Kane County court records show Quartuccio had a notice for violating his probation in February 2019 and was due in court again in June for a hearing.

Kane County State's Attorney Joe McMahon said prosecutors will look to see whether distracted driving could have played a role.

"We'll continue to look at the evidence as it comes in and if there is evidence to suggest other conduct or crimes, we'll add additional charges we feel are appropriate," McMahon said.

One person who saw part of the crash has been interviewed, the prosecutor said.

"It's helpful when they come forward and tell police what they saw and heard. That assisted the investigators in pulling the case

Quartuccio arrived at the sheriff's office about noon Monday, almost 24 hours after the 1 p.m. Mother's Day crash. He underwent questioning and later was arrested in connection with the crash that left Lexi, a second-grader at Anderson Elementary School, critically injured. Lexi is the middle child of the Hanson family; she has a 12-year-old brother and a 1-year-old sister, family members said.

In Park Ridge, outside Advocate Lutheran General Hospital's emergency room Tuesday, Lexi's mother, Jess Hanson, read a brief statement to reporters, expressing gratitude to emergency crews, law enforcement and the community.

"We are so humbled and blessed with all the love and support for our beautiful angel, Lexi," said Hanson, who was joined at the Park Ridge hospital by Bryan Hanson, Lexi's father, and Jordan Lawler, Lexi's step-



FAMILY PHOTO

Lexi Hanson, 7, struck as she rode in her neighborhood near St. Charles on Sunday, is said to be in fair condition.



BRIAN O'MAHONEY/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Jess Hanson, mother of Lexi, said Tuesday the family was "humbled" by the support it's gotten.

mother.

"In times of tragedy, Valley View and St. Charles always pull together," she continued. "And we're so grateful to be part to such a loving community."

The family did not take any questions.

A hospital spokeswoman said Lexi's health had improved and she was listed in fair condition Tuesday at Advocate Children's Hospital, adjacent to Lutheran General.

"Our girl is stable, she's in great hands, and she will pull through stronger than ever. Please continue to send love and prayers her way," Jess Hanson said.

Her aunt, Jennifer Ostrowski, started a GoFundMe page to help offset

Lexi's medical bills.

Ostrowski has said Lexi has "a long road ahead of her but should come out of this very strong, with some bumps and bruises, but come through this nonetheless ... she has not lost a bit of her sweetness or sass!"

More than 350 people have made contributions to the page since it was started Monday, raising more than \$17,000. It has been shared on Facebook nearly 3,000 times. Many commenters offered their thoughts and prayers, while others focused on the nature of the crime, expressing disbelief that an injured child was left in the road.

In a text message Monday, Ostrowski expressed gratitude for the community support.

"Thank you for the outpouring of love, well wishes and prayers. It has been felt and much needed," she wrote.

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Pritzker lays out 5-year plan to halt HIV spread

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Chicago Tribune

SPRINGFIELD — Gov. J.B. Pritzker rolled out a five-year plan Tuesday with a goal of eliminating the spread of HIV in Illinois by 2030, building on his earlier moves to restore public health funding and increase access to medication that helps prevent transmission of the virus.

The "Getting to Zero Illinois" plan calls for reaching that goal in the next decade by reducing barriers to health care, increasing use of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) medication to prevent new HIV infections and investing in services for people living with HIV.

Of the estimated nearly 40,000 people living with HIV in Illinois in 2017, nearly 60 percent were in Chicago. While there have been gains — Chicago saw the lowest number of new HIV diagnoses in 2017 since 1990 — black and Latino men who have sex with men, transgender women of color and black women continue to be disproportionately affected by the HIV.

"The progress we've seen over the years has not been equitable," David Kern, deputy commissioner for the Chicago Department of Health, said at a news conference at the governor's office in Springfield.

Only 60 percent of Chicago residents living with HIV received care for the virus in 2017, Kern said.

In line with the statewide plan, the city of Chicago will invest \$40 million this year in projects that address "the intersections of HIV and social determinants of health, like housing and employment," Kern said.

Among those investments is first-time funding for HIV-negative PrEP users.

The statewide plan calls for using data to allocate resources toward particularly vulnerable popula-

tions, Illinois Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike said Tuesday.

"If we keep the status quo, we will end new infections only amongst communities with access, means and privilege," Ezike said. "And yet again, we will leave our most vulnerable communities behind. Blacks and Latinos continue to carry the weight of this epidemic."

Pritzker earlier this year signed an executive order re-establishing funding for HIV prevention and treatment programs, including broadened access to the PrEP pill, which Pritzker said was discontinued during former Gov. Bruce Rauner's administration.

The Illinois Department of Public Health dispenses nearly \$26 million to agencies statewide for HIV prevention and care programs that are in line with the tenets of the "Getting to Zero Illinois" plan, which has been in the works for nearly two years. On additional state funding to support the plan, Pritzker's administration has extended some funding for IDPH and "we're continuing to move resources around within the agencies to apply to this Getting to Zero plan," he said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1,265 people in Illinois were diagnosed with HIV in 2017. Illinois had the seventh-highest number of HIV diagnoses that year, according to the CDC.

Illinois House Democratic Leader Greg Harris, who tested positive for HIV in 1988, said it came at a time when "there literally was no hope." The cost to the state to care for people with HIV is high, Harris said. "By ending the epidemic, we're not only going to end a lot of pain and suffering," Harris said. "We're going to do good by the taxpayers, too."

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Abuse

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Scott Centeno, resigned April 11 after being summoned by district officials to an investigatory conference. He allegedly had a sexual relationship with a Hubbard student beginning as early as 2015 and lasting through last year, the district said. The alleged victim denied that such a relationship occurred, the district said.

■ This month, CPS moved to fire former Hubbard teacher Alfredo Contreras over two older cases against him — one related to making an inappropriate comment to a student in 2015 and another from a 1998 allegation that CPS concluded at the time was “unfounded.” While investigating the 2015 case, the district learned that the state Department of Children and Family Services “made an indicated finding” in the same 1998 case against Contreras “for sexual misconduct with a student outside of school,” according to the district. Contreras most recently was teaching math at Kennedy High School. Efforts to reach Contreras, who is suspended without pay, were unsuccessful, and DCFS would not confirm the 1998 investigation.

■ Also this month, CPS sought the dismissal of

Robert Sheldon, who taught English at Hubbard until he was removed in January over accusations he made “inappropriate comments of a sexual and discriminatory nature to students,” the district said. Sheldon told the Tribune that he had been “unjustly accused” and he was surprised the district took what he felt was drastic action against him. “They’re making a mighty mountain out of a molehill,” he said. He is suspended without pay.

■ And Walter Glascoff, who was a Hubbard English teacher, resigned in December after district investigators found evidence that he had a sexual relationship with a student during her time at Hubbard and after graduation. In an interview with a district investigator, Glascoff said he had taken the student on dates to Navy Pier, Chinatown and Greektown and considered her his girlfriend, according to the CPS investigative report. The district moved to fire him at the end of November.

The allegations against Cerda had been investigated previously, in 2013, but the inquiry ended when the district couldn’t confirm that the sexual relationship began while the alleged victim was enrolled as a CPS student.

That investigation is among the old sex-abuse cases being revisited by CPS’ Office of Inspector General as part of a “com-

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— A former student of Walter Glascoff, who was a teacher at Hubbard High School

prehensive review” announced after the publication of the Tribune’s investigative findings in June 2018, the district said. The district wants to know if the case was “handled properly” in 2013.

Both Cerda and Centeno did not respond to Tribune requests for comment. Glascoff declined to comment when reached by the Tribune.

In March, Glascoff’s former student sued the district, saying CPS failed “to provide an environment free from sexual abuse” when the relationship occurred, about 15 years ago. The lawsuit says some Hubbard staff members were aware of what was happening but did not intervene.

The suit accuses the Chicago Board of Education of inflicting emotional distress by failing to report the alleged grooming and abuse to child-welfare authorities and by continuing to employ Glascoff “despite its knowledge of sexual abuse” of the student.

“I’m the age now that he was when he started grooming me and abusing me,” the woman, now 33, told the Tribune. “I could never imagine doing this to a child. I can’t imagine why they didn’t help me.”

The woman’s suit joins three ongoing civil suits filed by students who say the district failed to protect them from sexual abuse between 2010 and 2014 by former Hubbard security guard Walter C.J. Wells, whose abuse and subsequent criminal conviction were featured in the “Betrayed” series. All of the plaintiffs have described a school in which inappropriate behavior with students was entrenched.

Just before school started in the fall, Chicago Public Schools sent child-welfare

experts from the Chicago Children’s Advocacy Center to Hubbard to provide extra training and support, the district said. It was one of six CPS schools to be targeted for more training beyond the standard “Protecting Chicago’s Children” training that all schools received. The other schools to receive extra training were Bogan, Simeon, Ray Graham, Goode and Morgan Park high schools, the district said, and were chosen in part “based on past incidents.”

There also have been meetings and professional development at the school “to ensure all staff are in alignment regarding efforts to protect and support students,” according to a district statement.

CPS said that throughout the district it “has prioritized carrying out thorough investigations into all of these concerning allegations, and we are committed to holding accountable anyone who is found to have harmed or failed to protect students.”

One focus of investigators was former Principal Nancy Wiley, a Hubbard graduate who had been an educator for 30 years.

CPS investigators found that in the misconduct case of a security guard last year, and again in the case of teacher Glascoff, Wiley failed to properly report abuse allegations, according to investigative records. She retired at the end of September.

The district later placed her on its “do not hire” list, declaring in a letter to Wiley that she would not be allowed even to volunteer at any CPS school or event. Wiley told the Tribune that she didn’t know about the “do not hire” designation and said: “I would never put any of my students in dan-

ger; they were my priority.”

The lawsuit by Glascoff’s former student alleges that Hubbard’s principal at the time, Andrew Manno, was alerted twice that Glascoff might be having sexual relationships with students but did not alert child-welfare authorities or investigate. The Tribune’s efforts to reach Manno for comment were unsuccessful.

The suit also states that, in October 2003, a teacher at Hubbard snapped a photo of Glascoff and the student for the yearbook after Glascoff instructed the student to wear a “couples” homecoming costume. They dressed as characters from the movie “The Matrix,” she said in an interview.

That teacher then asked Glascoff if he was “in a relationship” with the girl, the lawsuit states.

The woman alleges in her suit that Glascoff had the student skip her art class to sit in on his journalism class, had her meet him in the staff parking lot after school, drove her in his car and even took her to his high school reunion at Homewood-Flossmoor.

“Part of the abuse was he was public about it,” the woman said. “I remember feeling at the time there was nothing I could do and nobody would help me.”

Glascoff’s former student is listed as Jane Doe in the suit, and the Tribune does not typically name victims of alleged sexual abuse without their consent.

“This board of education failed students at Hubbard and they should be held accountable,” said the woman’s lawyer, Carolyn Daley Scott. “We hope this never happens to another student in the future and the teachers and administrators will protect students in schools rather than protect teachers.”

The woman said Glascoff had sexual contact with her in his car, at his home, on a college orientation trip and at his cabin in Wisconsin.

“He started having me sneak out of my house. He told me he thought of me as his girlfriend. I felt I had no say in it. He was my teacher,” she told the Tribune.

Glascoff initially told CPS investigators that he had sexual intercourse with the student before she graduated. “Mr. Glascoff stated that he and (the student) always engaged in sexual intercourse at his home ... usually after school. Mr. Glascoff denied that he and (the student) had ever engaged in sexual intercourse during school hours,” the investigative report said.

He later “recanted” and told investigators he meant he had oral sex with the girl while she was a student, according to the CPS investigative report. He said he had failed to clarify the nature of his physical relationship with the girl in the earlier interview “because you didn’t ask me,” the report said.

After she graduated, the student went to college and later moved in with Glascoff for a time. She said she eventually ended the relationship and was 25 when she cut off contact with her former teacher.

Last year, she told a health professional about what happened, she said. That person, a mandated reporter of child abuse under Illinois law, alerted child-welfare authorities, she said, who in turn visited the school to investigate. That triggered CPS’ internal investigation and findings against Glascoff, according to the CPS investigative report.

“I feel like I’ve spent so much time not being believed and not being taken seriously,” the woman said. “I want them to stop doing this to students and stop letting this happen.”

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Judge skeptical of Trump bid over financial files

Panel's subpoena seeks records from accounting firm

By SPENCER S. HSU
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A federal judge in Washington expressed astonishment Tuesday at arguments raised by President Donald Trump's lawyers seeking to block his accounting firm from turning over years of financial records to the Democratic-controlled House Oversight and Reform Committee and seemed to signal a swift ruling in favor of lawmakers.

U.S. District Judge Amit Mehta fired pointed questions at the president's lawyers, who argued in an April 22 lawsuit that the committee's sweeping subpoena to Mazars USA for the financial records of Trump and various associated entities since 2011 was not "a valid exercise of legislative power."

Lead Trump attorney William Consovoy accused Democrats of "assuming the powers of the Department of Justice" on a partisan crusade, arguing that "this is about the House being dissatisfied with the president, and wanting to prove by any means possible that he has done things wrong."

Douglas Letter, general counsel of the House of Representatives, replied that Trump's claim of freedom from congressional oversight marked "a total, basic and fundamental misunderstanding" of the Constitution, saying he would pronounce Congress "a nuisance ... getting in his way while he's trying to run the country."

The hearing Tuesday was the first courtroom confrontation in a wave of legal battles waged by the president to shield his personal finances from investigators, including congressional



SUSAN WALSH/AP

Attorney Douglas Letter argued the president's claim of freedom from congressional oversight marked a basic misunderstanding of the Constitution.

Democrats, state lawmakers and regulators. Several fights are asking judges to weigh in on the constitutional separation of power between coequal executive and legislative branches.

Mehta, a 2014 appointee of President Barack Obama, challenged some of Trump's assertions in questions to his legal team.

"Is it your position that whether the president has properly reported his finances (under federal disclosure laws), that's not subject to investigation by Congress?" Mehta asked.

"Say a president was involved in some corrupt enterprise, you mean to tell me because he is the president of the United States, Congress would not have power

to investigate?" Mehta asked, continuing, what if "we're talking about a presidential violation of a constitutional prohibition that only Congress has authority to approve?" such as the acceptance for emoluments or gifts from a foreign government.

Consovoy answered yes, saying determining whether a president properly disclosed his finances was a "pure law enforcement function," not a matter for Congress, whose fundamental duty he said is in writing bills.

"There's not a single Supreme Court or appellate case since 1880 that has found Congress overstepped its legislative authority by issuing a sub-

poena," Mehta observed at another point.

The lawsuit in Washington was brought by Trump and several of his businesses against House Oversight Committee Chairman Elijah Cummings, D-Md., and Trump's accounting firm Mazars USA.

Congressional Democrats accuse Trump of trying to stonewall lawmakers' oversight until after the 2020 election, while the president's team counters that it will not tolerate a campaign of "congressional presidential harassment."

Mehta gave both sides until Saturday to file any additional submissions and promised a ruling "promptly, consistent with the gravity of the issues"

involving the balancing of powers between Congress and a president.

Mehta did not say when he would rule, but he noted that a different House panel, the Financial Services Committee, is set to appear in federal court in Manhattan on May 22 to defend other subpoenas for Trump's bank records issued to Deutsche Bank AG and Capital One Financial. Trump and his three eldest children and companies have sued to quash the subpoenas.

Mehta said at the end of Tuesday's 80-minute hearing that he would also make clear in his opinion whether he would stay a subpoena, if he upholds it, to give the president time to appeal.

Mehta also questioned

aspects of the House's legal arguments.

"It really does open the door to the accusation, perhaps valid or not, that this really is an effort — if not to harass the president — then to get into his private affairs for political purposes, if there is no clear line as to what this investigation is about," Mehta said.

Letter said the House also had obvious legislative purposes to oversee the function of laws governing the financial disclosure of public officials and avoidance of conflicts of interests, the handling of presidential records and the prevention of foreign governments holding hidden financial influence over American elected officials.

Barr reportedly working with intel chiefs on Russia review

By MICHAEL BALSAMO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General William Barr is stepping up the probe into the origins of the Russia investigation, naming a U.S. attorney to oversee the investigation and working with intelligence chiefs to see how surveillance was conducted.

Barr tapped John Durham, the U.S. attorney in Connecticut, to lead the inquiry, but remains directly involved in the probe, which he initiated about three weeks ago, according to a person familiar with the matter. The person could not discuss the matter publicly and spoke Tuesday on condition of anonymity.

The investigation is examining intelligence and surveillance used during the Russia investigation that shadowed Donald Trump's presidency for nearly two years. Barr is working with CIA Director Gina Haspel, Director of National Intelligence Dan Coats and FBI Director Christopher Wray as part of the probe.

With Durham's appointment, Barr is addressing a rallying cry of Trump and his supporters, who have accused the Justice Department and FBI of unlawfully spying on his campaign.

Democrats have accused Trump of using the allegations to divert attention from special counsel Robert Mueller's findings that Russia aided Trump's 2016 campaign and that he could not exonerate the president on the question of whether he tried to impede Mueller's investigation. Mueller did not find a criminal conspiracy between the campaign and the Kremlin.

As he left the White House Tuesday for a trip to Louisiana, Trump referred to Mueller's investigation as a "hoax" — as he has frequently done in the past — and said he didn't ask Barr to open the inquiry and didn't know about it in advance.

"But I think it's a great thing that he did it," Trump said. "I am so proud of our attorney general that he is looking into it."

Durham's appointment comes about a month after

Barr told members of Congress he believed "spying did occur" on the Trump campaign in 2016. He later said he didn't mean anything pejorative and was gathering a team to look into the origins of the special counsel's investigation.

Barr provided no details about what "spying" may have taken place but appeared to be alluding to a surveillance warrant the FBI obtained on a former Trump associate, Carter Page, and the FBI's use of an informant while the bureau was investigating former Trump campaign foreign policy adviser George Papadopoulos.

FBI Director Chris Wray said last week that he does not consider court-approved FBI surveillance to be "spying" and said he has no evidence the FBI illegally monitored Trump's campaign.

As Trump prepared to leave the White House on Tuesday, he criticized Wray's testimony to a Senate panel, saying the FBI director gave a "ridiculous answer."

Durham's inquiry, which



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Attorney General William Barr is investigating the origins of the Russia probe and how surveillance into the Trump presidential campaign was conducted.

will focus on whether the government's methods to collect intelligence relating to the Trump campaign were lawful and appropriate, is separate from an investigation by the Justice Department's inspector general. The agency's watchdog is also examining the Russia probe's origins and Barr has said he expects the watchdog report to be done in May or June.

Former Attorney General Jeff Sessions had appointed another U.S. attorney, John Huber, in March 2018 to review aspects of the Russia investigation, following grievances from GOP lawmakers. The review by Huber, Utah's top federal prosecutor and an Obama administration holdover, is a "full, complete and objective evaluation" of Republican concerns, Sessions said

at the time. The inspector general's investigation and the probe being conducted by Huber are winding down, the person familiar with the inquiries said.

Congressional Republicans have also indicated they intend to examine how the investigation began and whether there are any legal concerns.

Senate committee reaches deal with Trump Jr. for interview

By MARY CLARE JALONICK AND JONATHAN LEMIRE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate intelligence committee has struck a deal with Donald Trump Jr. to appear for a closed-door interview next month, pulling the two sides back, for now, from a confrontation over a subpoena as part of the panel's Russia investigation.

Under the terms of the deal, according to two people familiar with the agree-

ment, Trump Jr. will talk to the committee in mid-June for up to four hours. The people spoke on condition of anonymity Tuesday to discuss the confidential terms.

The deal comes after the panel subpoenaed President Donald Trump's eldest son to discuss answers he gave the panel's staff in a 2017 interview. Trump Jr. had backed out of interviews twice, prompting the



Trump Jr.

subpoena, according to people familiar with remarks by Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., the intelligence committee chairman, to a GOP luncheon last week. Those people spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss Burr's remarks in the private senators' meeting.

The deadline for Trump Jr. to respond was Monday, according to one of the people familiar with the

terms, and he expected to be held in contempt for declining to be interviewed. But the committee reached out Monday evening and the deal was struck.

A spokeswoman for Burr declined to comment. The North Carolina Republican has weathered fierce criticism for the subpoena from the president and his GOP colleagues.

Trump said on Tuesday said he believed that his son was being treated poorly.

"It's really a tough situation because my son spent, I

guess, over 20 hours testifying about something that Mueller said was 100 percent OK and now they want him to testify again," Trump told reporters at the White House before traveling to Louisiana. "I don't know why. I have no idea why. But it seems very unfair to me."

It's the first known subpoena of a member of the president's immediate family, and some Republicans went as far as to say they thought Trump Jr. shouldn't comply.

Sen. Thom Tillis, R-N.C.,

tweeted, "It's time to move on & start focusing on issues that matter to Americans." Sen. John Cornyn of Texas, a GOP member of the panel, said he understood Trump Jr.'s frustration. Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, said there was "no need" for the subpoena.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said on "Fox News Sunday" that if he were Trump Jr.'s lawyer, "I would tell him, 'You don't need to go back into this environment anymore.'"



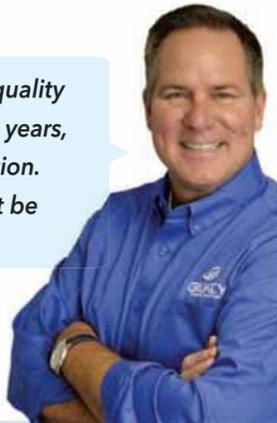
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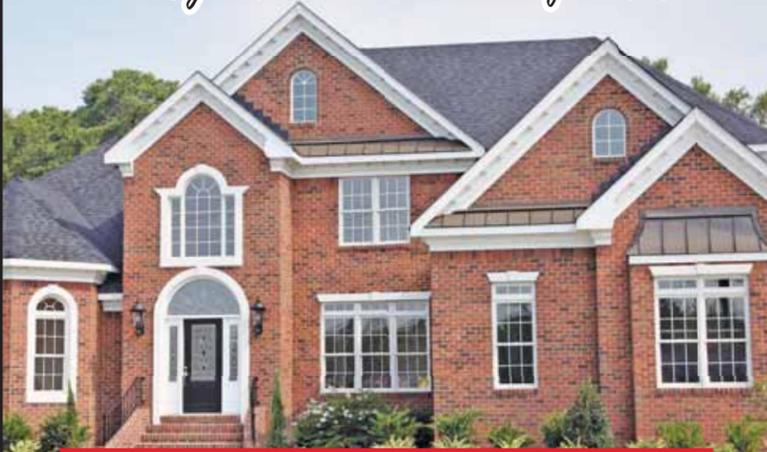
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Trump defends and explains tariffs using dubious claims

By JONATHAN LEMIRE AND CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — He's been contradicted by one of his top advisers, dinged in regular fact checks and called out by top economists. Still, President Donald Trump has held firm to dubious declarations about trade policy, raising questions among experts and even his allies about whether he either can't — or won't — grasp the fundamentals of the issue.

This week Trump has misstated how the tariffs are paid, who pays them and the significance and size of the trade deficit.

Trump's views on tariffs depart from conventional economics in at least three ways: He has repeatedly claimed that the Chinese — not Americans — are paying the 25% tariff he has imposed on \$250 billion of Chinese imports. He has described the trade deficits that the United States runs with other individual countries as total economic losses. And he argues that the U.S. trade deficit with all other countries combined is a result of bad trade policy.

On all three questions, trade experts fundamentally disagree.

It is U.S. companies that import — retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers — that pay the duties that Trump has imposed, not

Chinese companies. One of Trump's top economic advisers, Larry Kudlow, admitted as much in a television interview Sunday.

But Trump tweeted Monday: "Tariffs are NOW being paid to the United States by China of 25% on 250 Billion Dollars worth of goods & products. These massive payments go directly to the Treasury of the U.S."

That's simply not true.

Studies released in March found that nearly the entire cost of the import taxes is falling on U.S. consumers and businesses. One of the studies, by economists at UCLA and the World Bank, found that U.S. firms and shoppers lost \$68.8 billion last year because of higher tariffs.

There has long been division within the West Wing about tariffs' effectiveness. Trump has often sided with China hawk Peter Navarro, who argues that tariffs work. But Gary Cohn, the former director of the National Economic Council, argued strenuously against them, saying tariffs harm the economy.

"I was losing the war on tariffs every day with the president. I knew I wasn't convincing him I was right," Cohn told the "Freakonomics" podcast in March. "I was not going to take a 74-year-old man who's believed something since he was 30 and convince him that I was right."

Economists also dispute Trump's portrayal of the U.S. trade deficit with China, which reached \$378.7 billion last year, as evidence that Beijing is "ripping off" the United States. Mary Lovely, an economics professor at Syracuse University, says Trump is ignoring a simple point: The U.S. obtained goods and services for that money.

"It's like going to Walmart and you giving them money and they're giving you goods," she said. "There's an exchange."

Trade experts typically consider one nation's trade deficit with another as economically irrelevant. The United States also has a trade deficit with all other countries in the world combined, which reached \$622.1 billion last year. Most economists aren't very concerned about that as long as so many nations are willing to finance that deficit by purchasing U.S. Treasury bonds and other assets.

Trump blames the overall deficit on bad trade deals but that's not really the cause. A country runs a trade deficit when, like the United States, it consumes more than it produces.

"We run deficits because we're a wealthy country that can buy things that it doesn't produce," said Joe Brusuelas, chief economist at RSM, a tax consulting firm. "Trade deficits fundamentally don't matter."



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President Donald Trump speaks to reporters Tuesday before departing on Marine One from the South Lawn of the White House. Trump was on his way to Louisiana.

Bailout

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ers are looking at a way to amend an unrelated disaster-relief package to free up billions of dollars in rescue money for U.S. farmers.

Trump has alleged for years that China rips off U.S. businesses and consumers by stealing intellectual property and rigs its currency to flood the U.S. with cheap imports. He has also complained that the U.S. imports \$500 billion more in Chinese goods than it exports to Beijing, an imbalance he says is unfair.

To force the Chinese government to change its behavior, he has imposed steep tariffs on \$250 billion in Chinese goods and threatened to extend these import penalties to more than \$300 billion in additional products.

China has responded in two ways, both by trying to negotiate with him to stop the tariffs and by imposing import penalties on U.S. exports such as soybeans and other items.

Senate Republicans on Tuesday were frenetically trying to deal with complaints from farm groups.

Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., on Tuesday was asked by a reporter about the level of patience among farmers with the trade standoff and he held his thumb and index finger an inch apart.

Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, said the White House's approach to helping farmers so far was "inadequate" and that more needed to be done, and soon.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said he planned to write a letter to Trump to explain the con-

cerns of farmers because he felt the argument he had repeatedly made to the president in person was not registering.

"I'm not sure if you talk to him face to face he hears everything you say," said Grassley, who has emerged as one of Trump's chief critics on the administration's trade approach in recent weeks.

Trump last year directed the U.S. Department of Agriculture to spend \$12 billion on programs to help U.S. farmers impacted by the trade war, and he has suggested he will send another \$15 billion to farmers this year.

But lawmakers and farm groups are confused as to how this would work, and Trump on Monday said the plan was still being "devised."

Soybean farmers and pork producers received much of the focus last year, but a widening range of farmers and fishermen have complained they are being affected.

Lawmakers are now trying to decide whether they can find ways to help cherry producers, corn growers, lobstermen, and others.

On Tuesday, Trump wrote on Twitter that "our great Patriot Farmers will be one of the biggest beneficiaries" of his trade policies. He said that would come either from China buying more U.S. products or U.S. government making up the difference.

One idea under consideration would be an expansion of bailout funds from the Commodity Credit Corp., a division of the Agriculture Department.

Trump said that program to help farmers last year.

But Chinese officials signaled Monday that they

planned to dramatically increase restrictions on U.S. imports, including agricultural products, in retaliation for new tariffs imposed by Trump.

Farm groups are among the most politically powerful in the United States, particularly in the Senate, where they have close ties to Democrats and Republicans. Trump has appeared unmoved by many of the business groups who have complained about his trade approach, but he has frequently promised to appease farmers.

This is a reflection of their influence in Republican politics, but also their access to key lawmakers including Grassley, Cornyn, Roberts, Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.

"The question of how this would be done, whether it would apply to wheat and corn and other crops and not just soybeans, is going to be a question that's going to have to be answered," Thune said.

U.S. companies exported \$9.3 billion in agriculture products to China last year, making it the fourth-largest market. The biggest exports were soybeans, cotton, hides and skins, pork, and course grains like corn.

White House officials and Senate Republicans are looking for new ideas because many farmers are growing increasingly anxious as the trade war with China enters a second year. Soybean farmers, in particular, have been hit hard, but pork producers have also said they are experiencing a major impact.

Other groups, including cherry producers and lobstermen, have said their businesses are suffering immensely.

Israel in unwelcome spotlight at Eurovision

Politics, simmering tensions casting pall over festival

By ISABEL DEBRE
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — As host of this year's Eurovision, Israel has tried to use the hugely popular song contest to present itself as a tolerant and cosmopolitan country that is winning increased acceptance on the world stage. But despite Israel's best branding efforts, the kitschy festival is clouded in political conflict and controversy.

Palestinian militants bombarded southern Israel with hundreds of rockets during a bloody round of fighting last week, raising concerns that the contest could be disrupted by violence. The Palestinian-led boycott movement against Israel has been urging tourists and artists to stay home. Even an Israeli promotional video for the contest appears to have backfired, drawing accusations of anti-Semitism and misogyny.

"There's definitely more controversy around Israel's contest than past ones," said John Kennedy O'Connor, who wrote the official history of Eurovision.

Eurovision debuted after World War II to heal a



Peace activists in Tel Aviv, Israel, protest Sunday ahead of the 2019 Eurovision contest.

divided continent. Over the years, the earnest show of European unity has mushroomed into a campy, over-the-top spectacle featuring acts from 41 countries, including those with little or no connection to Europe. In the final round, TV viewers choose the winner by casting votes via text messages.

Israel earned the right to host after Israeli singer Netta Barzilai carried off last year's prize with her spunky pop anthem "Toy." Perhaps anticipating controversy, organizers decided to hold the contest in Tel Aviv — Israel's freewheeling cultural capital known for

its beaches and gay-friendly lifestyle — instead of contested, conservative Jerusalem.

O'Connor described hosting Eurovision as a "golden opportunity" for a small country like Israel trying to sell itself as a holiday destination. "Israel can take control of its image and say 'look, we're bringing nations together and putting on a great show,'" he said.

But almost immediately, the Palestinian-led BDS movement, which promotes boycotts, divestment and sanctions against Israel, began calling on performers to pull out of the contest over

Israel's treatment of the Palestinians.

Dozens of European artists, led by former Pink Floyd frontman Roger Waters, signed a letter calling for the contest to be moved elsewhere. Demonstrations erupted outside television studios at a number of national finals. Boycott activists stormed the stage during France's semi-final round. Iceland's performers have vowed to leverage their platform to show the "face of the occupation."

Although none of the national broadcasters or performers have quit the competition, the BDS move-

ment has drawn international attention to topics that Israel had hoped to avoid.

Adding to tensions, the contest coincides with the day that Palestinians commemorate as the anniversary of their "nakba," or catastrophe, when hundreds of thousands fled or were forced from their homes in the 1948 war that led to the establishment of Israel.

Scores of demonstrations to mark the day of mourning and protest Eurovision are planned throughout the country and in Palestinian territories. A left-wing Israeli activist group recently hung a banner on a Tel Aviv highway promoting political tours of the occupied West Bank. Split between a beachfront lifeguard station and an Israeli military watchtower, the billboard reads, "Dare to Dream of Freedom," a play on this year's Eurovision motto.

Palestinian factions in Gaza are mobilizing a mass march toward the Israeli border fence on Wednesday. Last year's Nakba Day protests in Gaza, following the opening of the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem, led to the deaths of over 60 Palestinians by Israeli fire. Israel says it is defending its border and accuses Hamas militants of using the crowds as cover for attacks.

Whether it was falling rockets, mounting boycott calls or simply prohibitive ticket and travel costs for some European fans, the Tel Aviv Hotel Association said the contest has attracted far fewer foreign visitors than expected.

The association's director, Oded Grofman, estimated that hotels would see around 5,000 visitors, well below Eurovision's forecast of 15,000. Portuguese tourism authorities claimed last year's songfest in Lisbon drew 90,000 people.

Israel has poured over \$5.6 million into Eurovision security, "significantly more" than previous years, according to Sharon Ben-David, the Eurovision spokeswoman for Israel's public broadcast station. Tens of thousands of police will patrol the contest throughout the week.

Neil Farren, a Eurovision commentator live-blogging contest preparations in Tel Aviv, said the visibly heightened security and briefings on air raid sirens and bomb shelters likely rattled some contenders, who have so far remained tight-lipped about the political situation.

Despite the shadows hanging over Israel's festivities, preparations are moving forward, with Madonna confirming her appearance in defiance of BDS pressure.

French explorer crosses Atlantic in a barrel

The Washington Post

Last March, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's research vessel Ronald H. Brown was knocking around the waves in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean when the crew spotted a surprise on the horizon.

It was orange and barrel-shaped, 10 feet long and seven feet wide, its sides splashed with stickers featuring French companies and organizations. Neither engine nor sail steered the object's course. Rather, the

barrel was at the mercy of the ocean current, which slowly was pushing it west.

As the NOAA Twitter account later related on March 27, the 274-foot vessel had encountered 72-year-old French adventurer Jean-Jacques Savin on an Atlantic crossing in a plywood barrel. He had set off from the Canary Islands on Dec. 26, 2018. By the time the NOAA ship had its chance encounter with Savin, he had already floated for more than 2,000 nautical miles.

"On behalf of the crew,

Chief Boatswain Michael Lastinger lowered provisions to the French adventurer and wished him well," the NOAA Twitter account explained.

This month, Savin's remarkable journey came to a successful conclusion after 127 days and six hours at sea. As he wrote on his Facebook page, after arriving in the Caribbean on May 2, an oil tanker towed Savin's craft to the tiny Dutch island of St. Eustatius. His handmade vessel had made a 2,930-mile journey.

"Some joked and ask if

they were arresting him on arrival for being so crazy," St. Eustatius resident Dorrette Courtar told CNN. "Others, like myself, were fascinated by this journey and technology."

As The Washington Post reported in 1987, "The Guinness Book of World Records lists more than 30 methods of crossing the 3,000-mile ocean."

Savin's journey was inspired by Alain Bombard. In 1952, the French doctor traveled solo from the Canary Islands to Barbados in a rubber inflatable boat.

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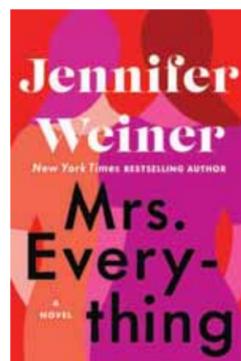
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Trump left a guide for German right

Other nationalist parties in Europe inspired by path

BY FRANK JORDANS
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Associated Press

BERLIN — Europe's new right could take a page out of U.S. President Donald Trump's populist playbook when it comes to winning support ahead of this month's European elections, says the co-leader of the Alternative for Germany party.

Alice Weidel, a 40-year-old economist known for her stinging attacks on the European Union, is at the vanguard of a movement challenging Europe's post-war consensus of ever-greater political cooperation.

"You can learn a lot from Trump's election campaign, including in terms of mobilizing people and issues," Weidel told The Associated Press, noting that mainstream pundits underestimated Trump's chances of winning right up to the end.

She also praised former White House strategist Steve Bannon's ability to harness the media to push Trump's message. Weidel's party recently invited Bannon to a networking event scheduled for last Saturday in Berlin, but it was not immediately known if he attended.

"What's existentially important, also for us, is of course the creation of a certain public, of free media for example, in which we can also reflect our positions," she said in a wide-ranging interview in her party's parliamentary offices. "And we really have a problem with that at the moment."

Mainstream media in Germany have highlighted the forays of her party, known by its German acronym AfD, into far-right ideology, anti-Semitic statements and ties to neo-Nazis.

Co-leader Alexander Gauland referred to the time of Adolf Hitler's dictatorship as a "speck of bird poop" in Germany's history, while Bjoern Hoecke, a powerful party leader in the east, has suggested it's time for the country to stop atoning for its Nazi past.



MICHAEL SOHN/AP

"You can learn a lot from Trump's election campaign," says Alice Weidel, a leader of the Alternative for Germany party.

Weidel initially focused on criticizing the shared euro currency, but as that party faction waned she has turned her attention to stronger borders and restrictive migration policies.

While those are common themes for all of Europe's right-wing and far-right parties, they have differed on how to respond. Weidel questioned whether Bannon's brand of hyper-partisan media can be transplanted across the Atlantic, saying a cookie-cutter approach to promoting nationalist parties across Europe would fail.

"Europe is much more diverse, it is not so homogeneous," Weidel said. "We consist of different states with different language areas and with different stories and of course with different dynamics."

Ahead of the European Parliament elections, which are taking place in the EU's 28 nations from May 23-26, Weidel's AfD has joined forces with nationalist parties in other EU countries, including the populist, anti-migrant League in Italy and France's far-right Na-

tional Rally.

Still, some differences are pronounced. The AfD and Scandinavia's right-wing favor a market economy, for instance, while the National Rally is more protectionist. And the League, the National Rally and the AfD are all pro-Russian, putting them at odds with Poland's PiS party and the Finns Party in Finland.

The May 26 European Parliament vote in Germany will test AfD's ability to keep increasing support since its founding in 2013. The AfD entered the EU Parliament with more than 7 percent of the vote in 2014 — and it's predicted to get a double-digit result this time.

As in other European countries where populism has surged, AfD has become a conduit for voters who feel the EU is a danger to national sovereignty and must be pared down or abolished.

AFD's platform for the European election proposes that Germany quit the EU — following Britain's lead — unless there are substantial reforms. Weidel wouldn't set a reform deadline, but

said Germany should hand the EU a list of demands just like former British Prime Minister David Cameron did in 2015.

Among her long list of gripes about the EU, Weidel cited efforts to prop up the euro — which is now used by 19 nations — and the EU's failure to control immigration. She also backed Trump's criticism of the EU's tariffs on imports of American automobiles, which are higher than U.S. duties on European cars.

"He's absolutely right on that," said Weidel.

Weidel said it's still unclear whether the populist, right-wing Fidesz party of Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban might leave the center-right group in the EU parliament and move to the new nationalist alliance.

"Attempts are being made to woo Viktor Orban," said Weidel. "But it depends on Viktor Orban himself."

Weidel's party has taken a largely pro-Moscow line. It backs lifting the EU sanctions imposed against Russia over its 2014 annexation of Ukraine's Crimea Peninsula and support for pro-

Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine.

Asked whether her party would favor repealing the EU sanctions even if Russia stays in Crimea, Weidel said the issue was "controversial" and there was no easy answer.

Weidel dismissed fears that AfD would encourage Germany to revert to its pre-war, expansionist policies even though party members were filmed over the weekend singing the shunned first stanza of the German national anthem. The song includes the line "Deutschland uber alles" — "Germany above all" — and refers to German territory stretching through Poland into what is now Russia's Kaliningrad region.

"It's not forbidden, but of course it wasn't wise," Weidel said.

With her party stagnant at about 13% support in recent national polls, Weidel said the AfD still has room to grow. It has already entered Germany's federal parliament, where it is the biggest opposition party, and is in all 16 state assemblies.

"Now we're taking the next hurdle," she said, pointing to opinion polls showing that AfD has more overall support in eastern Germany than Chancellor Angela Merkel's center-right bloc.

One position that has put the party at odds with German public opinion is climate change, which has risen to the front of voters' concerns. Germany's environmentalist Green party is polling at 20% support, more than twice their last national election result.

AFD's platform questions whether man-made emissions are responsible for climate change, despite the overwhelming number of scientists who agree it is.

"It's absolutely not proven that humans influence the climate," said Weidel. "It may be the case but the extent, that's to say how big this influence is, hasn't been answered."

Unorthodox claims about migrants, Islam and climate change have become AfD's hallmark in recent years, ensuring the party a prominent presence in the news and on social media.

Still at odds on many fronts, US, Russia hope to restore ties

BY JIM HEINTZ
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Associated Press

SOCHI, Russia — Russia and the United States voiced hope Tuesday that badly strained relations could begin to improve despite wide differences on multiple fronts and deep mutual suspicion exacerbated by Russian meddling in American elections.

With tensions running high over Iran, Syria, Ukraine and Venezuela, Russian President Vladimir Putin claimed vindication from the investigation into Russia's interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election and said he thought it was time to move on.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo conveyed President Donald Trump's interest in restoring better ties.

In the highest-level face-to-face contact between the two countries since special counsel Robert Mueller's report was released last month, Putin told Pompeo he hoped relations with the

U.S. would now improve. Still, his claim of vindication covered only allegations that Russia and the Trump campaign colluded to hurt Hillary Clinton's candidacy.

Putin did not address Mueller's conclusion that Russia actively interfered in the election.

"However exotic the work of special counsel Mueller was, I have to say that on the whole he has had a very objective investigation and he confirmed that there were no traces whatsoever of collusion between Russia and the incumbent administration, which we said was absolutely fake," Putin said as he opened the meeting with Pompeo in the Black Sea resort of Sochi.

"As we said before there was no collusion from our government officials and it could not be there. Still, that was one of the reasons for the certain break in our inter-state ties," he said. "I'm hoping today that the situation is changing."

Pompeo did not specifically mention election

meddling in his brief reply to Putin, although he did say the Trump administration would "protect our nation's interest."

Earlier, though, Pompeo made clear that any repeat of the 2016 meddling would not be tolerated.

"Interference in American elections is unacceptable," Pompeo told reporters at a news conference with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov. "If Russia were to engage in that in 2020, it would put our relationship in an even worse place than it is. We have encouraged them not to. We wouldn't tolerate that. Our elections are important and sacred and they must be free and fair."

After meeting with Putin, Pompeo told reporters: "So it's not about moving on. It's about trying to find solutions, compromises, places where there are overlapping interests you can make progress unlocking some of the most difficult problems that are facing us."

Putin told Pompeo his recent telephone conversa-



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Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, left, meets with Russia's Vladimir Putin on Tuesday.

tion with Trump raised hopes for an improvement in relations.

"As you know, not long ago, a few days ago, I had the pleasure of talking with the president of the United States by telephone," he said. "For me, it created the impression that the president intends to restore Russian-American connections and contacts to resolve joint issues that present mutual interests."

Pompeo spoke of "truly overlapping interests" that the two countries "can build on, and most importantly, President Trump very much wants to do that."

He cited cooperation in Afghanistan and counterterrorism more broadly, but also a shared goal of getting North Korea to abandon nuclear weapons. But he also told Putin that "just as you will, we'll protect our nation's interest."

Venezuela was a key point of discussion and difference, with the U.S. firm in its commitment to support opposition figure Juan Guaido as the country's legitimate leader and Russia equally firm in its backing of embattled President Nicolas Maduro.

"On Venezuela, we have disagreement," Pompeo said. "We want every country that's interfering in Venezuela to cease doing that."

Saudi energy minister calls drone attack on pipeline 'cowardly'

BY AYA BATRAWY
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Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — An oil pipeline that runs across Saudi Arabia was hit Tuesday by drones, the Saudi energy minister said, as regional tensions flared just days after what the kingdom called an attack on two of its oil tankers in the Persian Gulf.

While both President Donald Trump and Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah

Ali Khamenei said they were not planning for conflict, the volatility was felt in oil markets with benchmark Brent crude trading over \$71 a barrel, up more than \$1 on the day.

The pipeline that runs from the kingdom's oil-rich Eastern Province to a Red Sea port was shut down, but Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih Al-Falih vowed that the production and export of Saudi oil would not be interrupted.

The Houthis, who are at war with Saudi Arabia, said

earlier Tuesday that they launched seven drones targeting vital Saudi installations, without elaborating.

In a statement carried by the state-run Saudi Press Agency, al-Falih called the pipeline attack "cowardly," saying recent acts of sabotage against the kingdom were targeting not only Saudi Arabia but also the safety of the world's energy supply and global economy.

The attacks demonstrated the increased risks in a region vital to global energy supplies amid

heightened tensions following the Trump administration's withdrawal from the 2015 nuclear deal between Iran and world powers, and the subsequent re-imposition of U.S. sanctions to cripple the Iranian economy. Iran has since said it would begin enriching uranium at higher levels by July 7 if world powers failed to negotiate new terms for the deal.

The Saudis did not immediately assign blame for the drone assaults, which targeted two oil pumping

stations west of the capital supplying the pipeline that runs from the east of Saudi Arabia to the Yanbu Port on its western coast.

Saudi Arabia said the two petroleum pumping stations that were struck by drones are located in the greater region of Riyadh, home to the landlocked capital. The stations, targeted around the same time early Tuesday, are in al-Duadmi and Affif, about 125 miles west and 250 miles west of Riyadh city, respectively.

Washington recently deployed an aircraft carrier, the USS Abraham Lincoln, and B-52 bombers to the Persian Gulf to counter alleged, still-unspecified threats from Tehran.

A U.S. official in Washington, without offering any evidence, said a U.S. military team's initial assessment indicated Iran or Iranian allies used explosives to blow holes in the ships. The official was not authorized to discuss the investigation and thus spoke on condition of anonymity.

New liver transplant rules begin amid fight over fairness

BY LAURAN NEERGAARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Wilnelia Cruz-Ulloa spent the last months of her life in a New York City hospital, waiting for a donated liver that never came. Doctors had urged the 38-year-old woman to move to another state that has more organs to go around.

But she couldn't afford to.

Where people live makes a difference in how sick they have to be to get a transplant, or if they'll die waiting. Now the nation's transplant system is aiming to make the wait for livers, and eventually all organs, less dependent on a person's ZIP code. New rules mandating wider sharing of donated livers went into effect Tuesday despite an ongoing hospital turf war in federal court.

More than a dozen hospitals in parts of the Midwest and South had sued to block the change, arguing it will endanger their patients, especially in rural areas, if livers must be shipped farther to areas with fewer donations. Late Monday, a judge in Atlanta denied their request to put the rules on hold until the legal challenge is decided. The next day, those hospitals appealed, still seeking to halt the rules after they began.

At a hearing last week, U.S. District Judge Amy Totenberg made clear the debate weighs heavily: "Transplant issues have this life-and-death and emotional dimension that carries over to everyone who is involved."

More than 13,000 people are awaiting a new liver, according to the United Network for Organ Sharing, which runs the nation's transplant system. Just 8,250 got transplants last year, the vast majority from deceased donors. On average, three people die every day waiting.

That's just livers. Over-



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Wilnelia Cruz-Ulloa, third from left, married Wendy Gomez as their children and stepchildren attended the 2017 ceremony in New York. Cruz-Ulloa, 38, died in October 2018.

all, UNOS' registry shows nearly 114,000 people are waiting for an organ transplant.

Some parts of the country, especially the Midwest, have more donated organs than other areas, such as New York and California, where the organ shortage is most severe.

And for decades, transplant policy has been "local first" — meaning organs typically are offered first to the sickest patients in the same general area as the donation, even if someone sicker outside the local boundary is a good match. The nation's 11 transplant regions are subdivided into local areas with individual waiting lists, with wide variations in organ availability both within and between regions.

Cruz-Ulloa was part of a lawsuit filed last summer that argued liver distribution maps violate federal law. For example, a liver could be shipped nearly 400 miles from Englewood, New Jersey, to Pittsburgh before it's offered to nearby New York City. The government told UNOS to find a solution.

The new policy: Patients near death within 575 miles from a donor hospital will be offered a liver first. If there are no takers, it will be offered next to progres-

sively less sick patients at different distances within that circle. Like today, doctors will use a score based on medical tests that predicts patients' risk of death over the next few months to rank those waiting.

UNOS predicts broader liver sharing will save more than 100 lives a year as people with the worst scores get a shot at transplant ahead of those whose scores suggest they can wait a little longer.

Hospitals that countersued say the new policy is unfair too. They point to people in more rural regions who already face inequities such as less access to health care that leave them at greater risk of death from a variety of diseases.

If all organ banks recruited as many donors as the Midwest, there'd be 1,000 more liver transplants a year, said Dr. Sean Kumer of the University of Kansas Hospital, one of the plaintiffs. "We've been successful in doing this, and now people are coming to our area of the country to take organs."

UNOS pledged to evaluate if the new liver rules raise costs, acknowledging "this has been a challenging time" of strife between transplant centers.



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Unofficial tally shows Duterte allies winning big in Philippines

MANILA, Philippines — President Rodrigo Duterte's allies appeared to have overwhelming leads in elections for the Philippine Senate, one of the opposition's last bulwarks against a populist leader accused of massive human rights violations. Preliminary results comprising 94% of returns from Monday's midterm elections showed at least eight candidates endorsed by Duterte were leading in races for 12 seats in the

24-member Senate. Official results are expected to be declared in about a week. Monday's vote is seen as a gauge of public support for Duterte, who is midway through the single six-year term allowed under the constitution. His anti-drug crackdown, unorthodox leadership style, combative and sexist joke-laden outbursts, and contentious embrace of China have been the hallmarks of his presidency.

Montana Gov. Bullock joins Democratic presidential race

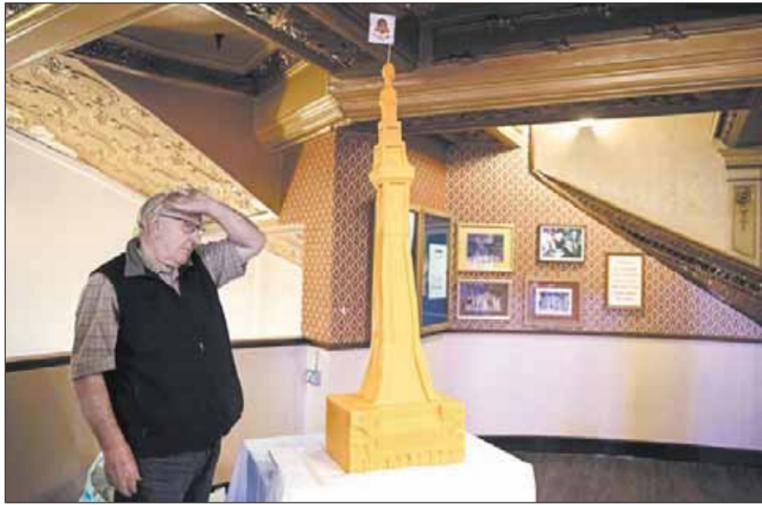
HELENA, Mont. — Montana Gov. Steve Bullock announced Tuesday that he is seeking the Democratic presidential nomination, distinguishing himself among nearly two dozen candidates as the field's only statewide elected official to win a state that President Donald Trump carried in 2016. The 53-year-old governor is running as a centrist Democrat who has advanced party values while

navigating a Republican legislature and a GOP-leaning electorate. Bullock made his candidacy official in a video that capped months of speculation fueled by his political activity in Iowa, which hosts the first presidential caucus next February. His immediate challenge is corraling enough donors and support in polls to qualify for the first Democratic debate in June.

Man pleads guilty in mall attack against boy, faces 19 years

MINNEAPOLIS — A man who reportedly told investigators that he went to the Mall of America "looking for someone to kill" pleaded guilty Tuesday to throwing a 5-year-old boy from a third-floor balcony and faces 19 years in prison. Emmanuel Aranda, of Minneapolis, pleaded guilty to attempted premeditated first-degree murder in the April 12 attack. The child suffered

head trauma and broken bones but survived. Aranda, 24, will be sentenced June 3. Prosecutors said the boy's family supports the plea deal. Aranda was arrested moments after the attack, and police say he had quickly admitted to it. A criminal complaint said Aranda told police he was angry at being rejected by women at the mall and was "looking for someone to kill."



Geoff Whitley prepares to make the final adjustments to a scale model he sculpted from cheddar cheese of Blackpool Tower, an iconic northern England landmark and tourist attraction, on Tuesday, the 125th anniversary of the tower's opening to the public.

Texas officer shoots and kills woman after stun-gun struggle

BAYTOWN, Texas — A Texas police officer shot and killed a woman who police say grabbed his Taser and used it on him, moments after she seemed to say "I'm pregnant" in an altercation captured on video. Pamela Turner was shot around 10:40 p.m. Monday at an apartment complex in the Houston-area community of Baytown, police Lt. Steve Dorris said Tuesday. The department has learned that Turner was not pregnant, said Dorris, who declined to elaborate on how police know that. Autopsy results have not

been released. The lieutenant said the officer was patrolling the complex and tried to arrest the 44-year-old African American woman because he knew she had outstanding warrants. The officer, who is Hispanic and an 11-year veteran of the department, had previous dealings with Turner, but Dorris did not provide further details about the interactions or Turner's warrants. The officer has been placed on paid administrative leave, Dorris said. Turner and the officer engaged in a struggle after

he sought to arrest her. The officer opened fire after Turner grabbed his Taser and struck him in the groin with it, shocking him, Dorris said. In the video, which is circulating on social media, Turner is heard saying "You're actually harassing me" and "I'm actually walking to my house" before falling to the ground. While on her back, she appears to struggle with the officer, saying "Why? Why?" and then "I'm pregnant." Turner then appears to reach up toward the officer and, moments later, he fires five shots, killing her.

Sri Lanka: At least 1 Muslim killed in mob attacks

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — Mob attacks on Muslim communities in Sri Lanka's northwest have left one person dead and dozens of shops and mosques destroyed, a government minister said Tuesday, as communal violence worsened in the wake of Easter bombings that killed more

than 250 people. A Muslim man was hacked to death in Monday's violence in which members of the country's largely Buddhist majority ethnic Sinhalese attacked Muslim-owned shops and homes in several towns, said Rauff Hakeem, a Cabinet minister and leader of

the Sri Lanka Muslim Congress. With communal violence also reported in Sri Lanka's west, the government imposed a nationwide curfew Monday. Tensions have been running high since the April 21 attacks that struck three churches and three hotels.

North Korea demands US return seized cargo ship

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea on Tuesday called the U.S. seizure of a North Korean cargo ship involved in banned coal exports a "robbery" and demanded that the vessel be returned immediately. The North's official Korean Central News Agency carried a statement by an unnamed Foreign Ministry spokesman who accused the United States of betraying the spirit of a summit agreement last June between North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and President Donald Trump calling for a nuclear-free Korean Peninsula and improved bilateral ties. Before the U.S. seized the cargo ship, the vessel, named the Wise Honest, had first been detained by Indonesia in April 2018 while transporting a large amount of coal. North Korea is banned from exporting coal under U.N. sanctions.

End of sentence: Former Rep. Anthony Weiner left a New York City halfway house Tuesday after completing his prison sentence for illicit online contact with a 15-year-old girl. "It's good to be out," the disgraced former congressman said, according to the New York Post. "I hope to be able to live a life of integrity and service." Weiner, 54, was ordered in April to register as a sex offender as he neared the end of a 21-month prison sentence. Weiner, a once-rising star in the Democratic Party who served in Congress for nearly 12 years, still faces three years of court supervision. Weiner pleaded guilty in May 2017 to transferring obscene material to a minor.



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EDITORIALS

Will Democrats 'Let the people vote' on pensions, term limits, remap?

Pretend you're a Democratic state representative in Speaker Michael Madigan's Illinois House. Whether you're from Chicago, its suburbs or Downstate, the pressure on you to vote for Gov. J.B. Pritzker's graduated-rate income tax is rising. Never mind those unexpectedly high revenues that Pritzker's administration collected in April, and expects to collect in the next fiscal year. For Springfield Democrats, more money never is enough money. Borrowing from Oliver Twist: *Please, voters, we want some more.*

So as a pretend legislator, you're hoping to weasel on graduated rates that would raise still more billions of dollars in taxes. You're wondering if you can persuade your district's voters that you aren't trying to gouge them — you'd "only" be voting to put on the November 2020 ballot a constitutional amendment that would

permit graduated rates.

You care deeply about how much your constituents would resent that cave to Pritzker — because you, too, will be on the November 2020 ballot. Hence your search for weasel words: *Me? Support higher tax rates, knowing that, before long, they'll surely punish middle-class families too? Gosh, would I do that?*

No one will believe your spin, right? So good luck getting overtaxed voters to think you've done them a favor by putting graduated tax rates on the ballot.

The only argument Pritzker has given you to work with is his pronouncement five weeks ago: "Let the people vote." Sounds nice. That's echoed in a new ad supporting his graduated rates. In part: "If the General Assembly gives the green light, we're all going to have a say at the polls

next November. The people of Illinois deserve a chance to vote on this important proposal. This is fair and necessary. It's time for change."

This important proposal. Fair and necessary. Time for change. Except, where does that lead? Trouble already.

Look around: The people of Illinois aren't clamoring for graduated tax rates — certainly not as loudly as many of them for many years have clamored for pension reform, and term limits for legislators, and a new redistricting process that doesn't let incumbents choose their voters.

Those, too, are important proposals. They're fair and necessary. And it's certainly time for change — time to disrupt the cushy politics that has stuck Illinoisans with gazillions of dollars in public debts — and incumbents who are all but impossible to dislodge.

So you, still pretending to be a Democratic state rep, are in a terrible bind. How can you tell your constituents that you *do* want them voting to permit raising new billions from graduated tax rates, but you *don't* want them voting on pension fixes, term limits and redistricting reform? Because your fellow Democrats won't dream of putting those referendums on the ballot alongside their graduated-rates amendment to the Illinois Constitution.

That is, your fellow Democrats do not want to "Let the people vote" on popular proposals that surely would pass — no matter how many times Pritzker says, "Let the people vote," or how often the mouthpiece in the TV ad says, "We're all going to have a say at the polls. ... The people of Illinois deserve a chance to vote."

So how about it, Mr. or Ms. Pretend Representative? Will you

level with your constituents? Will you tell them that your party's leaders — Madigan, Pritzker, Senate President John Cullerton — are stonewalling calls for a big, broad opportunity to "Let the people vote" on more than tax hikes? Will you tell voters that if Illinois abandons its flat-rate income tax, it's only a matter of time until lawmakers raise rates on households other than the rich? We hope you will display that integrity.

And if you're a real Democratic state rep rather than our pretend one, please live by the candor we can't request of you too often:

Be honest. Admit to voters that for all your talk of "fairness," you came up with this plan because you want private-sector workers and companies paying much more into your public sector.

Calling Europe: Help the U.S. bring Iran back to the table for a stronger nuclear deal

It's been a year since President Donald Trump made good on a campaign pledge to pull out of the 2015 nuclear deal with Iran. The administration's strategy: Turn the screws on Tehran with sanctions to compel Iranian leaders to work on a broader agreement that also tackles Iran's pursuit of ballistic missiles and support of terrorism.

Since then, Europe has tried to keep the old deal alive, crafting workarounds to get past U.S. economic sanctions imposed on Iranian oil. That bid largely failed.

Now Tehran says it has exhausted its patience with the Europeans.

Iran has given European leaders 60 days to resume commitments laid out in the original nuclear pact, or Iran will stop adhering to the deal's call for an end to uranium enrichment.

That's not all that's happening. Tehran is suspected of being behind an attack on oil tankers off the coast of the United Arab Emirates over the weekend. As of Tuesday, there was no proof of Iranian responsibility for the ship attacks, nor were there reports of casualties. Intelligence reports also suggest Iran has been building up proxy forces ahead a possible attack on American forces in the Middle East.

In response, the Pentagon has drawn up contingency plans to send as many as 120,000 troops to the Middle East if Iran ever launched an attack on U.S. forces or sped up efforts to develop



EBRAHIM NOROOZI/AP

Worshippers opposed to the United States and Israel during a rally last week in Tehran, Iran.

nuclear weapons, The New York Times reported. Trump denied the report, but said if he were to deploy troops, he'd send "a hell of a lot more troops than that."

Our translation: Neither a leaked Pentagon deployment strategy nor some presidential tough talk means the United

States anticipates a military confrontation. What it does mean is the U.S. considers Iran to be untrustworthy, which is why the 2015 nuclear deal is insufficient.

Wadding up that old deal marked the first step toward a better one. Now it's up to the Europeans to get on board as U.S.

partners with Iran Deal 2.0.

An important indicator, one we hope the Europeans noticed, emerged from Iran last weekend when President Hassan Rouhani acknowledged the economic pain that American sanctions have inflicted. Rouhani likened it to the misery Iran felt during its war

with Iraq in the 1980s. Good to know, President Rouhani. Thanks for sharing. "We are in a difficult situation today, but at the same time, I am not disappointed," Rouhani said. "I believe that we can overcome these conditions, provided we are together and join hands."

Iranian oil exports have dropped from 2.5 million barrels a day to below a million barrels. As a result, Iran's economy has taken a \$10 billion hit.

In recent weeks, the Trump administration has doubled down on pressuring Tehran, declaring Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard a terrorist organization and slapping sanctions on the country's copper, steel, aluminum and iron industries.

Getting the Iranians back to the table for talks is a goal that should be shared by the U.K., France and Germany — the main European guarantors of the 2015 nuclear deal.

The U.S. isn't cowed by Tehran's saber rattling, and neither should Europe. Rouhani and Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, know their country's economy has been waylaid by the sanctions.

But a new deal won't happen without Europe's cooperation. European leaders have been behaving as if Iran has boxed them into a corner. The opposite is true: Harsher sanctions have shown Iranian leaders where their economy is headed if they don't acquiesce — and negotiate.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

President Trump's standing in the Midwest now is arguably stronger than when he nearly swept the region in 2016. Polling shows Trump's job approval rating in the Midwest is in the mid-40s, and his overall favorability rating is highest in the Midwest. Trump's approval rating in the region is roughly the same as Barack Obama's was during the same point in his presidency, according to Gallup tracking polls. ...

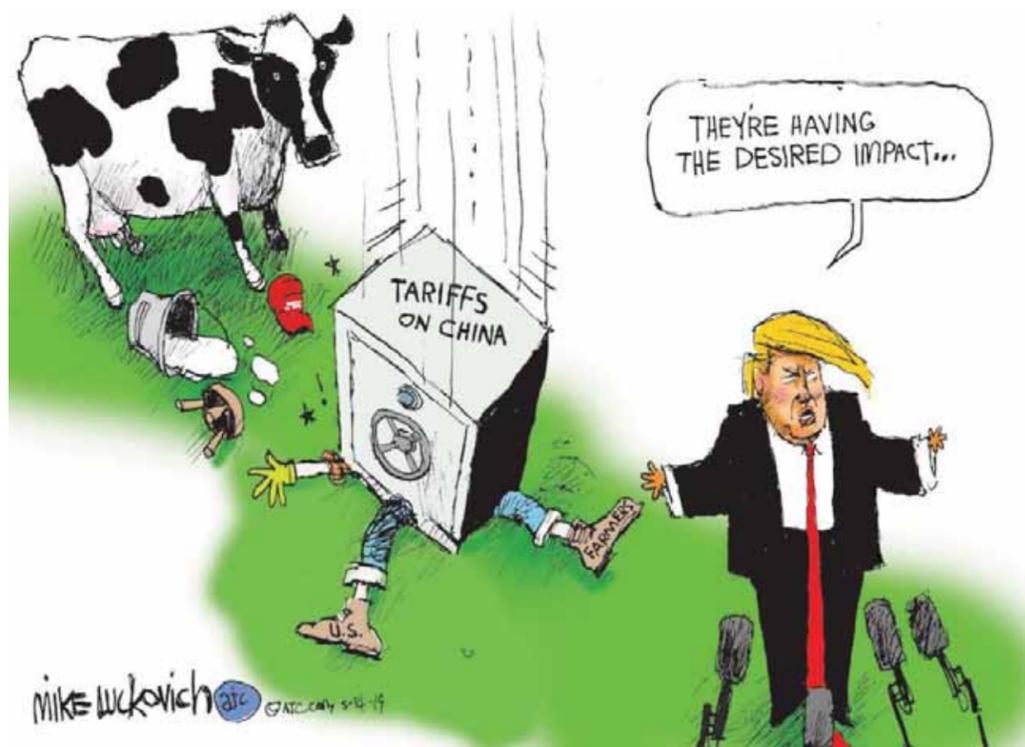
Democrats face another headwind off the Great Lakes: Flagging union membership and waning political support from union rank-and-file. "One reason (why membership is down) is right-to-work laws in states like Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin that let workers opt out of unions," according to an April 2019 Wall Street Journal editorial. "After Wisconsin enacted right to work in 2015, the union share of the state workforce fell 30 percent." ...

Even if the Democrats capture Georgia and Arizona but still lose Wisconsin and Michigan, it will result in a plus-one net electoral vote for their candidate, still not enough to win. And if Wisconsin and Michigan go for Trump, it's safe to assume that Pennsylvania does too. Minnesota also will be in play, for a potential loss of 10 electoral votes for the Democratic candidate.

A shocking pickup in either Texas or Florida would be the only way for the Democrats to prevail over a solid red tide (with the exception of Illinois) from Philadelphia to Minneapolis.

Julie Kelly, The New Criterion

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Alyssa Milano's #SexStrike won't work, but we need to talk about abortion



CLARENCE PAGE

Alyssa Milano's new call for a "sex strike" to protest anti-abortion laws may not have nearly as much success as her early push for the #MeToo movement did. But, I must admit, she has my attention.

Fired up by Georgia's new "fetal heartbeat" law, which is one of the most restrictive anti-abortion laws in the country, and a wave of similar bills proposed or passed in some other states, she tweeted a call Friday to a form of strategic abstinence.

"Until women have legal control over our own bodies we just cannot risk pregnancy," she wrote. "JOIN ME by not having sex until we get bodily autonomy back. I'm calling for a #SexStrike."

No, that's not a totally original idea. Sex strikes have intrigued humanity since at least ancient Greece, when women in Aris-tophanes' comedy "Lysistrata" withheld sex to pressure men to end the Peloponnesian War. In 2003, Liberian peace activist



MATT SAYLES/INVISION

Alyssa Milano is calling for women to join her in a sex strike to protest strict abortion bans passed by GOP-controlled legislatures.

Leymah Gbowee earned a Nobel Peace Prize for protests that included a sex strike to help end her country's civil war. The sex strike "had little or no practical effect," she said later, "but it was extremely valuable in getting us media attention."

Getting conversations started was Milano's aim, she said, as praise and criticism rolled in from both sides. Anti-abortionists sarcastically praised her call for abstinence, a favored form of birth control in their movement.

But some of her prominent pro-choice allies objected just as vigorously to her playing to stereotypes that tie women's power to their ability to allow or with-

hold sex, as if women don't enjoy sex too.

But let's give Milano credit for trying something. It's hard to cut through the daily deluge of news to talk about an issue that a lot of people think, incorrectly, already has been settled.

Instead, anti-abortion activists — after decades of organizing at the local and state levels to elect sympathetic conservatives all the way up to the current White House — are newly emboldened by President Donald Trump's conservative judicial appointments.

The latest push includes bills like Georgia's, which aim to ban abortion after a heartbeat is detected. That can be as early as six weeks into a pregnancy, compared with the current Georgia law that allows abortions up to the 20th week of pregnancy. At six weeks, many women don't yet know they're pregnant.

Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant and Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine signed fetal heartbeat bills similar to Georgia's this spring. But in Iowa, a judge struck down a similar fetal heartbeat bill in January as unconstitutional, and before Trump took office the Supreme Court declined to weigh in after lower courts blocked similar bills in North Dakota and Arkansas. With the Supreme Court now

tipped to the right after two Trump appointments, it's only a matter of time before the court takes up one of the challenges to these new state laws. Activists on both sides believe 1973's landmark Roe v. Wade, which protects a woman's right to abortion, could be overturned.

If ever there was a debate without end, it is this one, which pitches two of our most cherished American values, life and choice, against each other.

Back in the 1990s, I thought President Bill Clinton came up with the most diplomatic balance between the "pro-life" and "pro-choice" sides when he aimed to keep abortion "safe, legal and rare." These days, the emboldened anti-abortion side quotes the response given by Cardinal Timothy Dolan, archbishop of New York, against his state's new law that eases access to late-term abortions: "dangerous, imposed and frequent."

Yet, despite the fury of those who call our national abortion rates a crisis, it is too easy for us to miss or devalue the good news: Teen pregnancy rates have continued their steady decline in all racial groups that began in the early 1990s.

In 2016, there were 20.3 births for every 1,000 females ages 15 to 19, of which 89 percent occurred

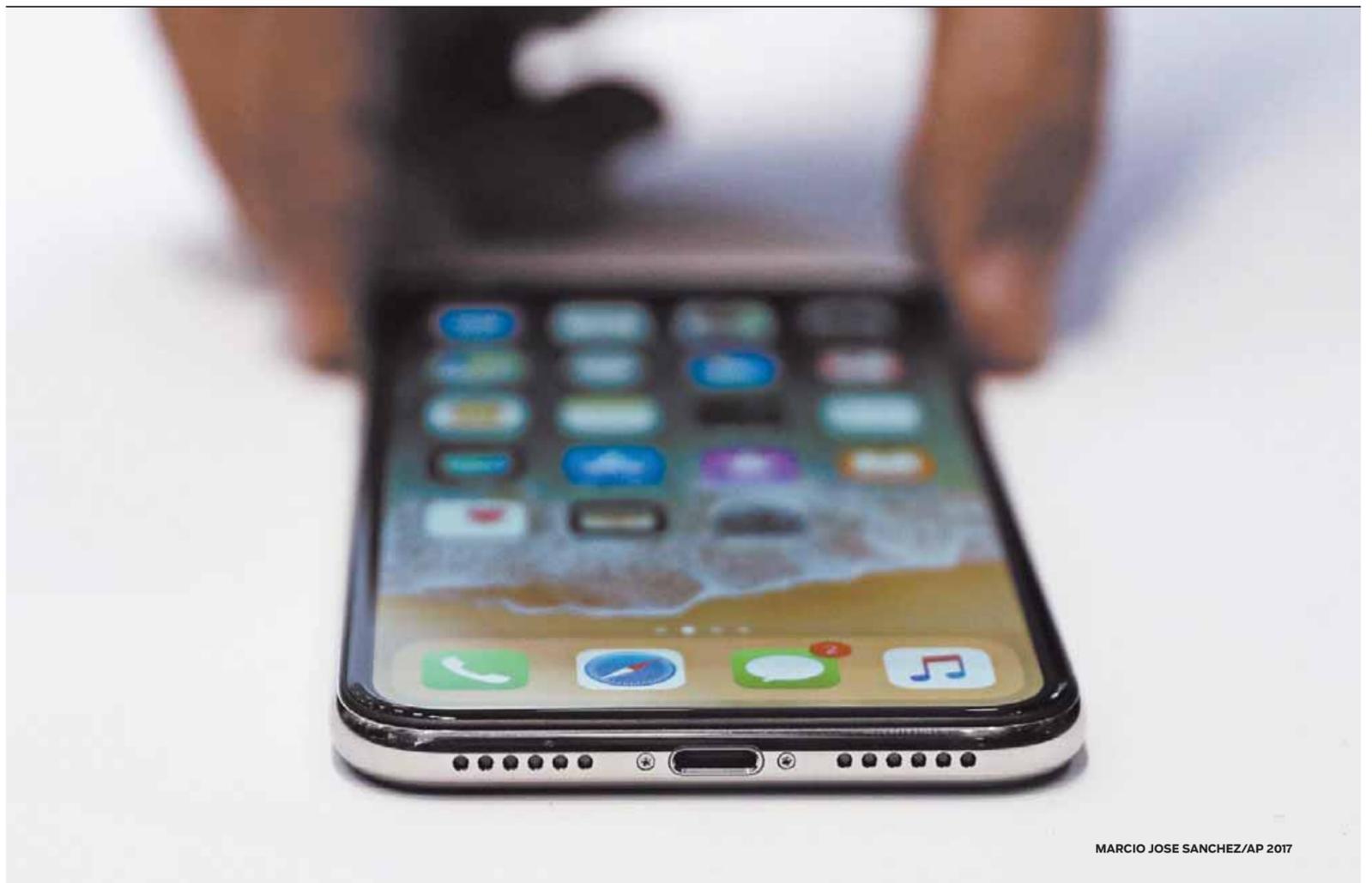
outside of marriage, according to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services statistics. Yes, that's higher than many other developed countries, such as Canada and the United Kingdom, but it's down by 9 percent compared with 2015 and down by an impressive 67 percent from 1991, when the rate reached 61.8 births per 1,000.

What accounts for the decline? The Pew Research Center cites the economy as a factor, but teen pregnancy rates have continued their decline through economic ups and downs. More decisive factors appear to be less sex, more effective contraception and more information about pregnancy prevention.

Yes, young people have been having less sex, even without an organized boycott. We need to know more about what's going right and why. But, so far, the words that a savvy social worker told me years ago still stick with me: If you want a young person to avoid pregnancy, give her a future worth striving for.

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How much might Apple owe you for inflating the price of iPhone apps?

BY JON HEALEY

A divided Supreme Court ruled Monday morning that iPhone users can sue Apple for allegedly abusing its control over iPhone app sales to inflate the price of those ubiquitous nuggets of software. In doing so, however, the justices left open the vexing question of how to calculate the damage Apple inflicted on its customers.

That question appears to have been the reason the court split, with rookie Justice Brett Kavanaugh joining the court's four Democratic appointees in the majority. The issue before the court was whether federal antitrust law and Supreme Court precedents allow consumers to sue Apple for alleged price gouging even though Apple doesn't set the price for the apps sold through the App Store.

But "apps sold through the App Store" is redundant, isn't it? Apple doesn't allow iPhone apps to be sold anywhere but its App Store; only those apps can be loaded onto an iPhone without circumventing the operating system. And circumventing the operating system not only voids the Apple warranty, it also has the poten-

tial to turn one's extremely expensive smartphone into a nonfunctional monument to one's appetite for risk.

That's the heart of the antitrust case against Apple, and the court didn't rule on the merits of that claim. Instead, it dealt only with Apple's motion to have the price-gouging lawsuit brought by an iPhone user named Robert Pepper and three other consumers thrown out because they weren't "direct purchasers" injured by the alleged monopolistic behavior.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected Apple's argument, as did the Supreme Court's majority. It seems obvious that consumers purchase apps directly from Apple — the company decides what's available, collects the payments and delivers the software merchandise. And Apple imposes what amounts to a 30 percent tax and an annual membership fee on app developers, so it's fair to assume that consumers are paying more for apps than they might if they could buy them from the developers' websites.

But how much more? Apple doesn't allow prices that end in anything other than .99, so it's well-nigh impossible for a developer to pass along Apple's

How is a court supposed to divine how much a developer would have charged for an app had it been able to sell it on marketplaces other than the App Store?

30 percent tax precisely. It's also conceivable that they're simply swallowing the Apple tax, as Justice Neil Gorsuch wrote in the dissenting opinion.

The real victim of Apple's behavior, the dissenters argued, are app developers. By allowing consumers to sue as well as developers, Gorsuch wrote, the court's majority may be forcing courts to answer a highly speculative question — just how much of Apple's 30 percent tax was passed on to consumers — while also raising the possibility that Apple would have to pay twice (to consumers and to developers) for the same injury.

Ugh. How is a court supposed to

divine how much a developer would have charged for an app had it been able to sell it on marketplaces other than the App Store?

But that's really a problem for consumers who might want to sue Apple, not for the folks in black robes. Would-be plaintiffs will have to come up with a way not just to prove that Apple's behavior was illegal and that they were damaged, but also to quantify that damage.

Good luck with that. Yet I think Kavanaugh's argument is stronger than Gorsuch's. If the court didn't allow consumers to sue Apple, they would have no recourse at all — the app developers aren't the alleged monopolists here. Yes, developers are arguably more injured than consumers are, but it's still hard to imagine that Apple's 30 percent tax isn't costing the people who buy at the App Store. And that situation exists only because Apple forces people to shop there if they want to use the smarts in their smartphone.

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PERSPECTIVE



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Jerome Davis and Veronica Walker-Davis' car was impounded after it was towed when someone from a body shop was driving it.

Chicago's impound system punishes innocent car owners

BY DIANA SIMPSON

Imagine you take your car to the body shop for some repairs, expecting to have it back in a week or so. But as the weeks pile up, you start to worry and become less comforted by assurances that they're just "waiting on parts." Finally they come clean: A shop employee was driving it a few weeks ago and got pulled over. When police discovered he was driving without a valid license, they impounded your car. A routine trip to the shop is now a nightmare. But it becomes substantially worse, as you discover that the city will not give your car back unless you pay thousands of dollars in fines and fees.

That is precisely what the city of Chicago did to Veronica Walker-Davis and Jerome Davis: It demanded that they pay for someone else's illegal activity. Said Walker-Davis, "The city made me feel like a criminal, even though I did nothing wrong."

Unfortunately, what happened to Veronica and Jerome is a frustrating aspect of life for many in Chicago.

The city seizes and impounds cars for two dozen offenses and then assesses penalties.

The offenses include things such as littering and driving with a suspended license. The fines stretch up to \$3,000, and the city charges a towing fee plus

daily storage fees that add up to \$1,000 a month. And it is a massive system: In 2017 alone, the city impounded more than 22,000 cars and imposed more than \$28 million in fines and impound fees under this program.

Once a car has been impounded, its owner must navigate a bureaucratic maze to get it back. Official notice that the car was impounded is slow to arrive, if it ever does, while storage fees continue to pile up. Moreover, owners must make their way downtown numerous times to request and attend hearings — all of which they must do without their impounded car. And once they get to a hearing, they face a backward world where innocence is rarely a defense.

For many caught up in the system, there is little hope of getting their car out because of the high costs. The city holds onto cars as ransom until the owner pays every last penny due.

For Chicagoans of lesser means, an impounded car can be financially devastating. Impairing someone's ability to work makes it practically impossible to raise the money. Eventually the city disposes of the car, but that does not eliminate the debt. Instead, the debt follows people forever.

This is not only wrong — it is unconstitutional. Walker-Davis and Davis are standing up to fight the city and have

teamed up with the Institute for Justice in a new class-action lawsuit.

Their suit rests on three solid arguments.

First, that innocence is rarely a defense under Chicago's impound racket that violates the constitutional protections against excessive fines. Imposing any fine on someone who did nothing wrong is excessive.

Second, the bureaucracy car owners face to get their cars back violates due process. The city provides insufficient notice and places high burdens on car owners.

Finally, it is unreasonable and unconstitutional to hold cars as ransom until the owners pay up. The city has other ways it ensures payment without taking away a person's ability to use their car to earn an honest living.

Walker-Davis says she's fighting Chicago in court because: "The city shouldn't get away with doing this to innocent people. This has to stop." She's right. It's time for the city to end the impound racket and replace it with a system that is constitutional and that doesn't punish impoverished Chicagoans.

Diana Simpson is an attorney at the Institute for Justice, a legal nonprofit that challenges unconstitutional fines and fees across the country.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Tax electric cars fairly

The recent editorial ("Electric car owners, brace for a jolt. A Chicago Dem wants to charge you \$1,000 — every year," May 11) decrying a proposal to raise the annual registration fee for electric cars to \$1,000 is only partly correct. The average gas-powered car accrues roughly 15,000 miles per year and gets 25 miles per gallon of gas. That means the average owner of a gas-powered car would pay \$264 per year in gas tax (under the proposed higher rate). He or she also would pay the \$148 annual registration fee. So the average car owner will pay \$412 annually for vehicle-related transportation taxes. There is no reason that drivers of electric cars, which use all of the same transportation infrastructure, should get away with paying only the paltry \$17.50 registration fee they now pay.

Also, state Sen. Martin Sandoval may correctly assume that the electric fee will be negotiated and is using the proposed \$1,000 fee to get past the shock factor of electric vehicle drivers having to pay comparable taxes.

Finally, a higher registration fee is the cheapest and simplest way to address the shift to electric from gas-fueled cars and is far preferable to the vehicle tracking/tolling systems that have been proposed.

— Marc Martinez, Oak Park

Trump has earned scrutiny

Michael Imhof of Aurora, in his letter ("Prayers for America," May 12), accuses Democrats and the mainstream media of irrationally attacking President Donald Trump since the beginning of his presidency. There is nothing irrational about pushing back when our president does not tell the truth. The stage was set on our president's inauguration day, when Sean Spicer, press secretary at that time, stated that the number of attendees at Trump's inauguration was greater than any in prior history. One could discount that as puzzling, but harmless; however, Trump's prevarication has continued.

I believe God likes the truth, and for us to be accountable to one another for telling the truth. God also might have a problem with someone who mocks the handicapped, derides deceased military heroes and condones the violent acts of white supremacists. I will pray that God will hold this great nation of ours in the palm of his hand until Nov. 3, 2020, the date of the next presidential election.

— Joan Walton, Huntley

Being reasonable about abortion

Eric Zorn's column ("Should 12-year-old girls have to bear their rapists' babies? Ohio says yes," May 10) shines a light on the absurdities on both sides of the argument. Most advocates against abortion (I say most, not all) would probably make an exception for the situation he describes. If most abortion rights advocates agreed that terminating a pregnancy in the third trimester was an abomination as well, maybe some reasonable progress could be made.

— Joe Piombino, Wheaton

Democrats doing their jobs

Letter writer Rick Jasculca laments the "trap" he sees in congressional Democrats investigating and possibly impeaching President Donald Trump ("Don't pursue impeachment," May 13). I've heard so many variations of why this is somehow a bad idea that I no longer stop to argue.

My simple answer now is to say that just because Republicans, whether in the administration, in Congress or in the media, fail to take seriously the threat posed by the practices of our president and his political appointees does not excuse the Democrats in Congress from doing their job as laid out in the Constitution.

I also take the time to point out to these Chicken Littles that Republicans in Congress during the Watergate hearings were just as vocal against those investigations and supportive of President Richard Nixon right up until the moment the so-called smoking gun tape was released: a recording of Nixon ordering a cover-up of the scandal. In short order, the hearings went from being a partisan attack to a bipartisan call for Nixon's resignation to spare the country from inevitable impeachment proceedings.

— John Houck, Lake in the Hills

Action on climate change

The Tribune's Michael Hawthorne and Morgan Greene call attention to the lack of coordination between levels of government as a driver of Chicago's flooding problem ("Some area residents 'get scared every time it rains,'" May 12). More harmful still is our federal government's irresponsible inaction on climate change. Local federal lawmakers should endorse the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act to reduce carbon emissions and mitigate floods in Chicago.

— Burke Bindbeutel, Chicago

Why Democrats are mum about Trump's trade failures

BY CATHERINE RAMPPELL

Markets crashing, farmers suffering, allies seething, manufacturing workers fretting about their job security.

These were all foreseeable consequences of President Donald Trump's trade wars, which escalated in the past week after Trump hiked tariffs on Chinese goods ever higher and Beijing announced tit-for-tat retaliatory duties. Such developments reveal the risks of Trump's protectionist instincts, his fundamental misunderstanding of how both trade and trade negotiations work, and his inability to learn the lessons of the trade war that deepened the Great Depression.

All of this should be great ammunition for Trump's rivals. Why isn't it being used?

Republicans, of course, are too cowardly to challenge Trump on much of anything. But Democrats, particularly those angling for the presidency, should be shouting from the rooftops. They should be sharing soybean-farmer sob stories and damning stats with any voter still considering following Trump off the protectionist cliff. Especially given academic research finding that "Trump Country" has been hurt most by his trade conflicts.

Instead — with rare exceptions — Democrats have been muted or mealy-mouthed in their criticism. Perhaps this is because, when it comes to trade policy, most of them don't have a leg to stand on.

Over the weekend, when asked what she thought of Trump's trade wars, Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., said Trump "failed to understand that we are stronger when we work with our allies on every issue, China included."

So far, so good. But when pressed, she said she wouldn't have voted for the North American Free Trade Agreement, aligning her with Trump's own negative assessment of the deal.

And if you look back at Harris' record in the Senate, you'll find that she, just like Trump, opposed then-President Barack



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Obama's strategy to "work with our allies" to keep China in line on trade. That was the 12-country pact known as the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which Trump pulled us out of with support from other 2020 Democratic candidates, too, including Rep. Tim Ryan of Ohio, and Democratic leaders such as now-House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

Some Democratic presidential candidates, such as Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, have also offered vague statements of displeasure over Trump's trade actions, then suggested Trump's protectionism doesn't go far enough. Diehard protectionist Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., endorsed Trump's metal tariffs, even if he thought Canada and the European Union should have been exempted.

Rather than rethinking their protectionist instincts after seeing the consequences of Trump's trade policies, some Democrats have doubled down.

Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., cheered on Trump's escalation of tariffs on Chinese goods in a tweet last week. Sanders is trying to use Democratic front-runner and former Vice President Joe Biden's past support for the TPP and other trade deals against him.

These are bizarre choices, and not only because economists and historians no longer have to conjure up fuzzy memories of the Great Depression, or reference

abstract theories to illustrate why being left out of new free-trade pacts, including the recently reconstituted TPP, puts the United States at a disadvantage.

These are also strange positions to take because they run counter to the views of most Democratic voters.

Democrats, it turns out, have become fiercely free trade, as illustrated by recent polling compiled last fall by Cato Institute adjunct scholar Scott Lincicome.

For instance, the Pew Research Center found that 67 percent of Democrats (vs. 43 percent of Republicans) believe that free-trade agreements have been good for the United States. A separate question found that 77 percent of Democrats (and 18 percent of Republicans) said increased tariffs between the U.S. and some trading partners will be bad for the country.

To some extent these policy positions — like all policy positions — are influenced by respondents' attitudes toward the polarizing guy in the White House. But even before Trump ran for office, Democratic voters were more positive on trade than the politicians in their own party.

The issue, of course, is that even if most Democratic voters are pro-trade, trade probably isn't the most important issue to them. But smaller constituencies for which trade is especially important, such as organized labor, tend to be trade-skeptical.

"There are probably more voters that are litmus-test protectionist than litmus-test free traders," Lincicome says.

But pandering to the tiny minority of protectionists is short-sighted, particularly if doing so hurts the economy in the medium term and U.S. alliances in the long term. Democratic voters turn out to be pretty enlightened when it comes to the economic and diplomatic benefits of trade; it's past time that the people chosen to represent them catch up.

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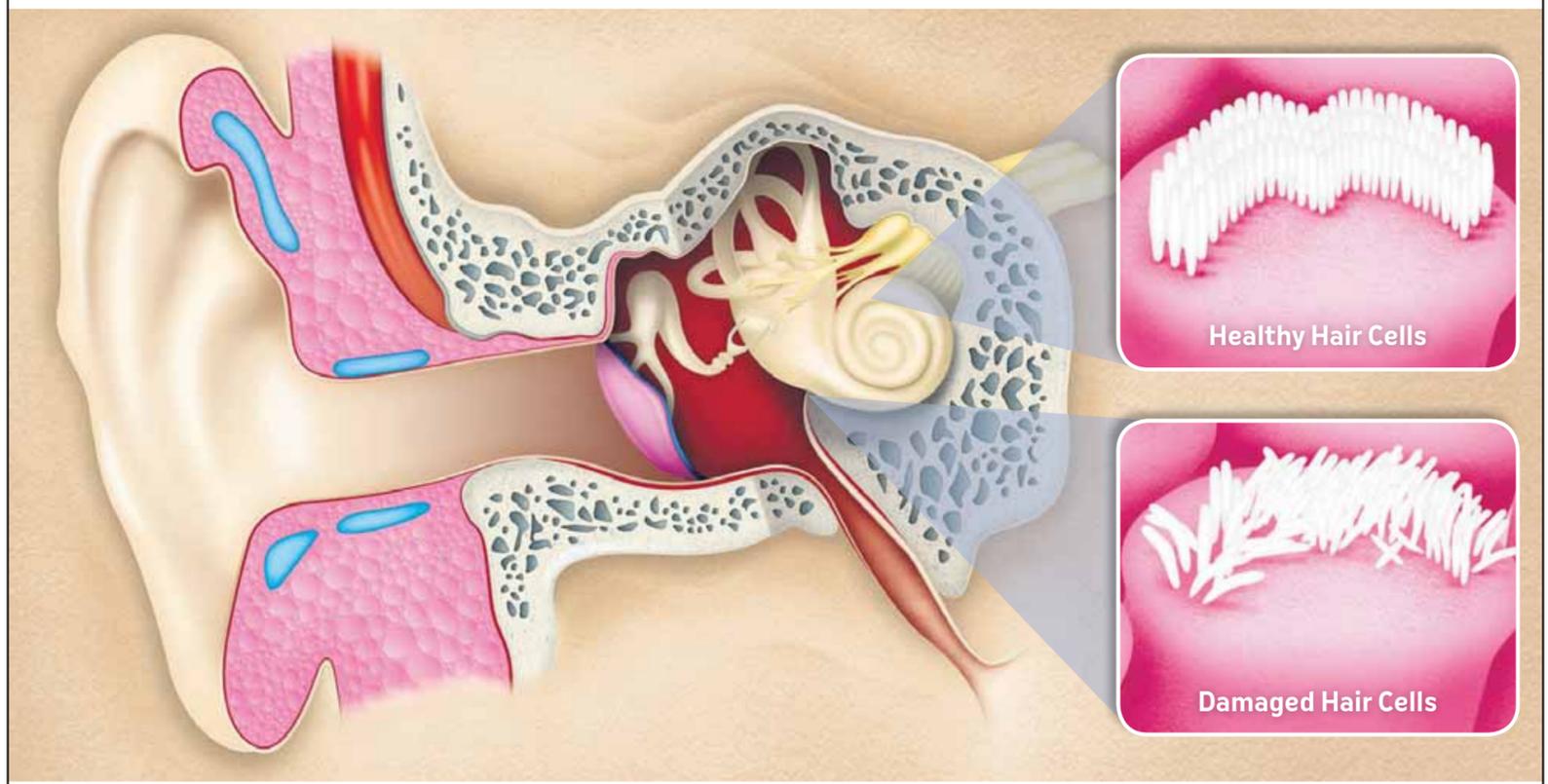
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Five Chicago hospitals earn D grades for patient safety

Illinois ranks 14th in the nation according to nonprofit group

By **LISA SCHENCKER**
Chicago Tribune

Five Chicago hospitals earned D grades for patient safety, though Illinois ranks 14th in the nation when it comes to hospitals protecting patients, according to a new report.

No Illinois hospital earned an F grade this year — an improvement over last fall when two Illinois hospitals received Fs, according to the nonprofit

Leapfrog Group. The five Chicago hospitals that received D grades for safety are: Jackson Park, Loretto, Stroger, Mount Sinai and Weiss Memorial.

Overall, 42 Illinois hospitals got As, 30 got Bs and 33 got Cs. Among those that got As are 10 Amita Health hospitals and all four NorthShore University HealthSystem hospitals.

At least two big-name Chicago hospitals — Northwestern Memorial and Rush University Medical Center — were left off the A list, getting Bs instead. Northwestern slipped to a B, from an A in the fall, while Rush maintained its B.

Illinois' overall ranking of 14th

“We’re looking at patient safety, period. It doesn’t matter if you have the greatest surgeon in the world, if you get an infection or there’s an error in the medications you’re given, you’ll be harmed or even killed from those problems.”

— Leah Binder, president and CEO of the Leapfrog Group

in the country for hospital safety was down one spot from the fall. Not all Illinois hospitals were given grades, only those for which enough data was federally available, Leapfrog said.

Twice a year, Leapfrog grades hospitals on 28 measures of safety, including hand hygiene, intensive care unit physician

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Lincoln Towing parks biz alias on sign

Following alleged violations, company works to restore license

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**
Chicago Tribune

Lincoln Towing Service has splashed its once-obscure corporate name, Protective Parking Service, on the sign at its Chicago headquarters, but its infamous street name is not necessarily going away.

The towing company, known to many as the “Lincoln Park Pirates,” squeezed a less prominent “Lincoln Towing” banner next to the new sign Tuesday. It’s unclear if a broader rebranding is in the works.

“It’s much ado about nothing,” Allen Perl, an attorney representing Lincoln, said Tuesday. “Our name has always been Protective Parking Service Corporation, doing business as Lincoln Towing Service. It’s on our license.”

Lincoln Towing is fighting in court to restore that license after it was revoked last year by the Illinois Commerce Commission over hundreds of alleged towing violations.

In September, a Cook County judge allowed Lincoln to operate while it appeals the decision by regulators to revoke its license. A ruling for a motion by the ICC to dismiss Lincoln’s appeal is scheduled for June 4.

The new sign made a brief appearance this weekend, stirring curiosity from some keen observers, who saw “Protective Parking” supplanting “Lincoln Towing” above the office door on North Clark Street, a place familiar to most people only after their

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A Lyft logo is put on a driver’s vehicle next to an Uber sticker in Pittsburgh. The two companies have already lost a combined \$13 billion.

Uber, Lyft steering clear of their rivals

Fare war, billions in losses help to keep competitors at bay

By **TOM KRISHER**
AND **MICHAEL LIEDTKE**
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A fare war between Uber and Lyft has led to billions of dollars in losses for both ride-hailing companies as they fight for passengers and drivers.

But in one way it has been good for investors who snatched up the newly public companies’ stock: The losses have scared off the competition, giving the leaders a duopoly in almost every

American city.

The two San Francisco companies have already lost a combined \$13 billion. And with no clear road to profits ahead, no one else has much of an incentive to mount a challenge using the same model relying on people driving their own cars to pick up passengers that summon them on a smartphone app, said Susan Shaheen, of the Transportation Sustainability Research Center at the University of California, Berkeley.

Even if another rival dared enter the market, it would likely be difficult to raise enough money to pose a viable threat after Uber and Lyft spent the past decade pulling in billions of dollars from venture capitalists.

And in the past six weeks, they raised an additional \$10.4 billion in their recently completed initial public offerings of stock.

“There’s only a duopoly because both companies have enough capital to compete with each other and no one else does,” said Gartner analyst Michael Ramsey.

It’s likely to remain that way until any of dozens of companies trying to create self-driving cars refines their technology so they can launch a network of robotic taxis that removes human drivers from the equation. That breakthrough could enable them to slash their fares below the prices currently being charged by Uber and Lyft.

Google spin-off Waymo has

made no secret of its intention to muscle its way into the ride-hailing market with a fleet of self-driving cars built on technology that it has been working on for the past decade. Waymo launched a ride-hailing service with robotic vans in the Phoenix area five months ago, but only 1,000 people are currently allowed to use it.

Besides being on the leading edge of bringing robotic vehicles to market, Waymo also is backed by more money than Uber and Lyft have combined. Waymo is owned by Google’s parent company, Alphabet Inc., which is sitting on \$113 billion in cash.

In its IPO document, Uber

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Spider-Man and United set to unite

Hero teams with airline in a bid to save in-flight warning from dullness

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**
Chicago Tribune

The decadelong move to turn the once mundane in-flight safety video into campy entertainment is about to reach new heights, or lows, depending on your perspective.

Coming to a flight near you on June 1, Chicago-based United Airlines will use a slickly produced Spider-Man vignette to inform passengers how to fasten their safety belts, put on their oxygen masks and use their seats as flotation devices in the event of a water landing.

The nearly five-minute video, which intersperses the standard flight attendant demonstrations with scenes of the Marvel superhero rounding up a rowdy gang causing “turbulence” at a corner store, is an unabashed promotional tie-in with Sony Pictures ahead of its July theatrical movie release of “Spider-Man: Far From Home.”

In addition to Spider-Man and several actors from the movie, United CEO Oscar Munoz makes a cameo in the safety/promotional

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LOVE YOUR JOB? NOMINATE IT AS A TOP WORKPLACE

The Chicago Tribune is extending to June 21 the nominations for our annual Top Workplaces special report, in which we explore how organizations create and sustain a positive and productive culture. We’ll also compile a list of this year’s top workplaces in Chicago.

So far, more than 150 companies have signed up to have their employees take this year’s Top Workplaces survey.

This is the 10th year that the Tribune has produced this report, and every year we hear about novel ways in which companies and their managers

are engaging, motivating and rewarding employees.

A lot has changed in 10 years, and the discussion of what makes a top workplace has particular relevance today. The economy is strong, unemployment is low and employees are looking for a better job if they don’t like the one they have. Consider this: The number of people who voluntarily left their jobs has been on the upswing for years, and last year 40.1 million workers quit, according to the Labor Department. That’s 2.4 million more people than the year before.

A top workplace can be described this way: It’s an organization that is successful because its employees enjoy their work, embrace their mission and feel like valued teammates. Compensation and perks are factors, but the more important components include opportunities for professional growth and being treated with respect.

To qualify, a workplace must have at least 100 employees in the Chicago area. Nominations are open to all employers, including nonprofits. Nominated companies that agree to

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participate will distribute to employees between April and July an easy-to-complete, confidential survey developed by the Tribune’s research partner, Energage, which will calculate the list of top workplaces.

Top performers will be recognized in the report, in an online directory and at a Tribune-sponsored event. There is no fee to participate.

To nominate a company, go to www.chicagotribune.com/nominate or call 312-878-7356. Remember, the deadline for nominations is June 21.

WhatsApp flaw let hackers take control with calls alone

Malware allows spies to effectively control a phone

BY FRANK BAJAK AND RAPHAEL SATTER
Associated Press

Spyware crafted by a sophisticated group of hackers-for-hire took advantage of a flaw in the popular WhatsApp communications program to remotely hijack dozens of targeted phones without any user interaction.

The Financial Times identified the hacking group as Israel's NSO Group, which has been widely condemned for selling surveillance tools to repressive governments.

WhatsApp all but confirmed the identification, describing hackers as "a private company that has been known to work with governments to deliver spyware."

A spokesman for the Facebook subsidiary later said: "We're certainly not refuting any of the coverage you've seen."

The spyware did not directly affect the end-to-end encryption that makes WhatsApp chats and calls private. It merely used a bug in the WhatsApp software as an infection vehicle. The malware allows spies to effectively take control of a phone — remotely and surreptitiously controlling its cameras and microphones and vacuuming up personal and geolocation data. Encryption is worthless once a phone's operating system has been violated.

Hackers are always look-



STAN HONDA/GETTY-APP

ing for flaws in apps and operating systems that they can exploit to deliver spyware. State-run intelligence agencies including the U.S. National Security Agency invest tens of millions on it. Indeed, Google's ProjectZero bug-hunting team scoured WhatsApp last year looking for vulnerabilities but did not find any. Instead, it was WhatsApp's security team that found the flaw.

The development comes as Facebook looks to triple down on its messaging services by merging WhatsApp, Facebook Messenger and Instagram Direct and bringing WhatsApp-level encryption to the others. The attack would not affect Facebook's ability to do that.

The malware was able to

penetrate phones through missed calls alone using the app's voice calling function, said the WhatsApp spokesman, who was not authorized to be quoted by name. He said an unknown number of people — an amount in the dozens at least would not be inaccurate — were infected with the malware, which the company discovered in early May, the spokesman said.

John Scott-Railton, a researcher with the internet watchdog Citizen Lab, called the hack "a very scary vulnerability."

"There's nothing a user could have done here, short of not having the app," he said. The vast majority of hacks involve some sort of user interaction, such as clicking on an infected link. The WhatsApp spokes-

man said its flaw was discovered while "our team was putting some additional security enhancements to our voice calls." He said engineers found that people targeted for infection "might get one or two calls from a number that is not familiar to them. In the process of calling, this code gets shipped."

WhatsApp, which has more than 1.5 billion users, immediately contacted Citizen Lab and human rights groups, quickly fixed the issue and pushed out a patch. He said WhatsApp also provided information to U.S. law enforcement officials to assist in their investigations.

"We are deeply concerned about the abuse of such capabilities," WhatsApp said in a statement.

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cars are towed and impounded. By Tuesday afternoon, both names were on the building.

"The intention always was to have both names on the sign," Perl said. "We didn't think this was a big deal."

Signage on Lincoln Towing's fleet of trucks and the warning signs posted in client parking lots remain unchanged, at least for now, Perl said. Some of the trucks already carry the Protective Parking emblem.

State regulators were unaware of the new building sign. "Protective Parking Service is their official cor-



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A sign at Lincoln Towing Service on North Clark Street features the Protective Parking Service name on Tuesday.

porate name ... so nothing new has to be filed with the ICC," agency spokeswoman Victoria Crawford said in an email.

Lincoln Towing has prowled Chicago's parking

lots for nearly 60 years, finding itself at the center of lawsuits and political pressure throughout its history. Dubbed the "Lincoln Park Pirates" in a 1970s folk song, it is the largest relocation

towing service in the state.

The state launched an investigation into Lincoln Towing in February 2016, spurred by consumer horror stories and numerous citations for allegedly hauling away cars illegally.

In December, the ICC reached a settlement with Bridgeport-based Rendered Services, the state's second-largest relocation towing company, following a similar investigation into alleged violations. Rendered agreed to pay a \$75,000 fine, maintain time-stamped photographs of each towed vehicle for two years and conduct compliance training for all of its employees.

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Walmart primes free next-day delivery service

Move likely to put pressure on rivals to shrink window

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Walmart is rolling out free next-day delivery on its most popular items, increasing the stakes in the retail shipping wars.

The nation's largest retailer said Tuesday it's been building a network of more efficient e-commerce distribution centers to make that happen. The next-day service will cover 220,000 popular items from diapers and nonperishable food items to toys and electronics. That's nearly double the number of items it carries in its stores.

Next-day delivery, which will require a minimum order of \$35, will be available in Phoenix and Las Vegas on Tuesday. In coming days, it will expand to southern California. The discounter plans to roll out the service to 75% of the U.S. population by year-end. It will also be adding hundreds of thousands more products as the program expands.

The announcement comes just two weeks after online behemoth Amazon said it's upgrading its free shipping option to Prime members who pay \$119 a year to one-day delivery from two-day delivery. Amazon has declined to say when the switch will happen, but it already offers one-day delivery for some items in certain areas.

Walmart says the new delivery program has been in the works for a while.

"Customer expectations continue to rise," Marc Lore, CEO of Walmart's U.S. e-commerce division, told The Associated Press in a phone interview. "We're trying to get ahead of that."

The move will only increase pressure on other rivals that are already investing in millions of dollars to shorten the delivery window.

Amazon changed consumer expectations when it launched its two-day delivery for Prime members back in 2005 and forced other retailers to step up their game. But analysts say Amazon then

needed to cut the delivery time in half to make its membership more attractive since others like Walmart offered free two-day deliveries without any membership.

Two years ago, Walmart began offering free two-day shipping on millions of items on its website for orders of at least \$35. Target also offers free two-day shipping for those who spend at least \$35 or use its RedCard loyalty card.

Walmart has also been expanding same-day grocery delivery service fulfilled from its stores for a fee of about \$10.

Lore says it will be cheaper for the company to do next-day delivery versus two-day service because eligible items will come from a single fulfillment center located closest to the customer. This means orders will ship in one box, or in as few as possible, unlike two-day deliveries that come in multiple boxes from multiple locations.

Still, Walmart sells far fewer products than Amazon and its online U.S. sales are only a fraction of Amazon's online global merchandise empire. Amazon has also been delivering more packages itself rather than relying on the post office and other carriers like UPS and FedEx. The company expects to spend \$800 million in the second quarter to speed up deliveries and has expanded its fleet of jets. On Monday, it announced that it will be expanding an incentive program to its employees so they can quit their jobs and start their own Amazon package delivery businesses.

Walmart has one big advantage over Amazon — its more than 4,700 stores. Walmart and Target have been turning their physical stores into shipping hubs, speeding up deliveries and helping to defray costs for services like curbside delivery and in-store pickup. Walmart has also been expanding the use of robots in its stores, which keep tabs on what's on and not on the shelves. Meanwhile, Target has redesigned its staging area for packages to help speed up fulfilling curbside deliveries.

Fares

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listed Waymo as a potential threat along with Tesla, General Motors' Cruise Automation and Apple. Lyft also cited Waymo and Apple among the companies that could undercut its position as the second largest ride-hailing service.

But most experts believe it will still be many more years

before self-driving car technology reaches the point that it can support a large fleet of robotaxis.

Until then, the duopoly is likely to continue, giving Uber and Lyft the luxury of focusing on growth rather than turning a profit, analysts said. That means ride-hailing fares in the country are likely to remain below the actual cost of providing the service, a boon for consumers.

"These subsidies will continue as long as each com-

pany believes they will be gaining new customers by having a lower price," says Alejandro Ortiz, principal analyst at SharesPost. "The story now is growth, but growth is expensive."

Eventually, though, investor pressure will mount on the companies to make money, and doing that almost certainly will require higher prices for their rides.

On the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Friday, Uber CEO Dara

Khosrowshahi hinted that it will be three to five years before the company pivots to a focus on profit. That timetable hasn't been well received on Wall Street. Lyft's stock has fallen 29% below its IPO price of six weeks ago, and Uber flopped in its stock market debut Friday as its shares slipped by almost 8% percent.

Markets with only one or two dominant players often create situations for companies to abuse their power or attempt to stifle competition. Regulators and legislators around the world argue that's already happened in many corners of technology, with Facebook having a seemingly impenetrable stronghold in social networking, Google dominating search and Amazon controlling a wide swath of online shopping.

That has stirred calls to break up some of the companies.

For now, Uber and Lyft have been drawing upon all the money that they have raised from investors to keep prices relatively low, creating a barrier for smaller-scale competitors without the capital to sustain massive losses.

Uber hasn't been as successful thwarting competition outside the country. It has waved a white flag during the past three years in Russia, China and parts of Southeast Asia by selling its services in those parts of the world to stronger rivals.

Lyft has not expanded outside North America, so it faces few other competitors besides Uber in the United States.

Safety

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video.

The partnership includes a brief role for the airline in the movie, as Peter Parker, Spider-Man's alter-ego, flies to Europe on a United plane, while Sony Pictures helped produce the safety video, which will run through October.

United spokeswoman Natalie Noonan declined to provide the terms of the promotional partnership.

"We're not sharing a specific amount, but know that this partnership provides United with a unique opportunity to team up with a beloved franchise," Noonan said in an email Monday.

Business-class passengers will also get a Spider-Man amenity kit featuring an eye mask, socks, tissues, ear plugs, a toothbrush and a pen, as well as skin care products, through July.

Coach passengers will see the video and probably get a tiny bag of pretzels, but no Spider-Man swag, according to Noonan.

The idea of jazzing up the painfully stiff, Federal Aviation Administration-mandated in-flight safety videos has picked up steam over the last decade, starting with a playful 2007 cartoon on then-startup Virgin Airlines. Since then, airlines have been outdoing themselves with increasingly elaborate and high-concept productions, ranging from a cheesy El Al technopop offering to an

epic Air New Zealand "Lord of the Rings" safety video employing an Orc on the oxygen mask demonstration.

The clever and big budget Air New Zealand safety video has been viewed more than 20 million times on YouTube.

While many airlines subscribe to the theory that creative in-flight videos increase passenger attention, a recent University of Utah study reached a different conclusion. Instead of knowing where the emergency exit doors are and other safety instructions, most passengers remember "irrelevant details" of the entertaining videos.

Perhaps a greater concern for United may be the timing of the video, which premieres as the airline industry is grappling with fallout from the FAA grounding of all Boeing 737 Max jets in the wake of two fatal plane crashes.

United said the light-hearted approach to the safety video is far from tone-deaf, and entirely by design.

"At United, safety is our top priority and we take this responsibility with the utmost seriousness," Noonan said. "We designed this video to be entertaining while still being educational for customers. This fast-paced mini-drama safety video will encourage customers to pay closer attention to our safety briefing and become familiar with the aircraft they are flying on."

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Much hangs over Max's rehab

Boeing seeks to avoid fate of Corvair, Pinto

By JULIE JOHNSON
Bloomberg News

Boeing Co.'s 737 Max is about to join the list of brands trying to come back from ignominy.

Analysts are digging into decades-old safety scares for clues to the future of the jetliner — and Boeing's finances. There's the Chevrolet Corvair rollovers that launched Ralph Nader as a consumer advocate in the 1960s, gas-tank explosions that sank Ford Motor Co.'s Pinto in the 1970s, and the Tylenol poisonings of 1982 that spurred tamper-proof packaging.

But there's little precedent for the tangle of safety, regulatory and financial issues buffeting a workhorse jet that's vital to sustaining the surge in global air travel. After two crashes of the aircraft model in five months and a grounding that's nearing the two-month mark, some nervous passengers are vowing to avoid the Max. Boeing has added to the mess by not fully explaining the apparent flaws in the best-selling jet in company history.

Longtime Boeing watcher Nick Cunningham said he's starting to wonder if "this has become too serious and too protracted for the Max to escape unscathed." The accidents in Indonesia and Ethiopia killed 346 people. Nader's grand niece was a victim.

The longer the crisis drags on, the greater the risk that the cumulative effect "will have acted to permanently lock it into people's memories," said Cunningham, founding partner at Agency Partners.

Boeing is finalizing an update to software linked to both crashes, which it will submit to the Federal Aviation Administration in a



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Analysts are digging into decades-old safety scares for clues to the future of Boeing's 737 Max jetliner.

crucial step toward getting the plane back in the air. A May 23 summit of global regulators "may lay out a path toward certifying fixes and removing the grounding," Morgan Stanley analyst Rajeev Lalwani said in a note Thursday.

Rebuilding consumer confidence is an urgent priority, as the Chicago-based company works with airlines to prepare resuming flights of the 737 model over the next few months. Boeing must also win over pilots, flight attendants and fractious regulators.

Chief Executive Officer Dennis Muilenburg and commercial-airplane chief Kevin McAllister have been hosting regular conference calls with airline executives. And the company has invited Max operators and lessors to a half-dozen sessions around the world to discuss the specifics of the software changes, along with the logistics of taking planes out of storage.

"It's a multifaceted ap-

proach to taking the steps necessary to preserve the fleet, return it to service safely and restore any lost confidence that pilots, regulators and the traveling public have had in the Max," Boeing spokesman Gordon Johndroe said.

President Donald Trump has even weighed in with advice on how to rehabilitate the largest U.S. export, suggesting that Boeing rebrand its marquee single-aisle jet. "No product has suffered like this one," he said in an April 15 tweet.

There's been "no discussion" of a name change, Johndroe said.

Commercial jetliner programs have recovered time and again from horrific accidents. The trend started at the dawn of the jet age with de Havilland Comets that blew apart due to a window-design flaw. A redesigned version was never a hot seller, but flew for the U.K. military until 2011.

Bargain-hunting consumers in the Internet age

quickly forgot their aversion to Boeing's 787 Dreamliner after battery fires grounded it in 2013.

Brazil's Gol Linhas Aereas Inteligentes SA is assuming the crisis will have faded by December. The company is already touting new, nonstop service from Sao Paulo to Lima starting Dec. 12 on a "modern Boeing 737 Max 8," although an older model can be substituted if necessary.

"The consumer has a very short attention span," said George Ferguson, an analyst at Bloomberg Intelligence. He pointed to United Continental's rebound from social-media furor after a passenger was dragged off a plane.

But Boeing is struggling against deep damage to its safety-conscious reputation. Cunningham pointed to GM's Chevy Corvair and the Ford Pinto as cautionary tales.

"Obviously GM and Ford survived the issues, but the Corvair and Pinto brands

didn't," he said. "The cases are still remembered 40 or 50 years later."

Those scandals helped spawn safety regulations that transformed the auto industry. Boeing's travails could spur a similar review of airplane certification and oversight amid criminal and congressional investigations.

The Tylenol poisonings are remembered today in part because Johnson & Johnson's reaction became a case study in effective crisis management — a feat that has eluded Boeing.

The planemaker worsened its own plight by waiting months to explain publicly how a software subsystem known as MCAS repeatedly shoved the nose of the doomed jets down, eventually overwhelming pilots. With the company facing \$1 billion or more in potential liability from lawsuits, executives have been careful not to admit their approach was flawed.

"They made the wrong

calculation," said Richard Aboulafia, an aerospace analyst with Teal Group, in weighing short-term liability costs versus the risk of long-term brand damage.

Compounding its dilemma, Boeing revealed a separate problem with a cockpit warning light in late April. The company followed that up most recently with an admission that it had known about the problem but waited about a year to tell airlines or the Federal Aviation Administration.

"We have a number of areas where we know we need to improve, and transparency is one of them," said Johndroe, the Boeing spokesman.

The lack of full disclosure has fanned a narrative that the Max itself is badly flawed because of its larger engines. Aboulafia, who forecasts aircraft markets, says his estimate of Max sales "is predicated on this getting better in the long run. If they make this worse by making it a publicly reviled product, all bets are off."

At stake is not just the manufacturer's image, but the vitality of the jet that accounts for one-third of Boeing's profit and has added 4,625 unfilled orders to the company's backlog. If demand fades because of jittery consumers, airlines could postpone deliveries or force Boeing into a pattern of deeper discounts that erode its profit and cash, Aboulafia said.

Investors are counting on the furor dying down as global regulators sign off on the new software Boeing is finalizing. But 44% of travelers in North America and Europe say they would wait a year or more to fly the Max, according to a survey of 1,756 fliers by Barclays Plc.

"I don't know," said David Strauss, a Barclays analyst, who downgraded Boeing after the study. "It feels different to me this time."

Patients

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staffing, bedsores and falls. Hospitals that earn high marks often tout them to attract more patients.

"We're looking at patient safety, period," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of the Leapfrog Group. "It doesn't matter if you have the greatest surgeon in the world, if you get an infection or there's an error in the medications you're given, you'll be harmed or even killed from those problems."

To that point, patients at hospitals that get D and F grades may face greater danger than patients at A hospitals, according to a white paper also released Wednesday by Leapfrog. At A-rated hospitals, an estimated 3.2 people died of avoidable deaths per 1,000 patients admitted, whereas in D and F hospitals, 6.2 patients per 1,000 admitted died avoidable deaths, according to the paper, pro-

duced for Leapfrog by the Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality at Johns Hopkins Medicine.

Leaders of Illinois' low-scoring hospitals, however, noted that the data upon which Leapfrog bases its grades is, in some cases, several years old.

A number of local hospital leaders said they've worked to improve patient safety since that time.

Loretto Hospital, on the city's West Side, has already implemented new measures to reduce the number of falls and infections, said Olu Ayeni, director of quality and patient safety. The hospital's leadership has also changed since the data was recorded.

"The culture of safety has improved," Ayeni said. "There's no reason why we should not be able to keep our patients safe."

Sinai Health System, which runs Mount Sinai Hospital on the West Side, also got a D, up from an F in the fall — though much work remains, said Dr. Mira Iliescu, the system's vice

president and chief medical officer, in a statement.

"Our real-time data is showing we are already making important strides and have seen a significant improvement in our overall quality and safety performance indicators," she said.

Stroger also received a D, but its leaders said they disagree with that grade and Leapfrog's methodology. The data used by ratings groups is "often years old and frequently limited in scope," said Dr. Ronald Wyatt, chief quality officer for Cook County Health, in a statement.

"We take great pride in the high quality, safe care provided at Stroger Hospital, where we often treat individuals with highly complex conditions and equally complex social circumstances," Wyatt said.

The owner of Weiss Hospital, Pipeline Health, noted in a statement that since the data was collected, the hospital has changed hands. The hospital has already reduced the number of central line and



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catheter infections in the last year, thanks to new procedures, according to the statement.

A representative from Jackson Park Hospital declined to comment.

Rush attributed its B grade to issues with hospital claims data, not patient safety. "We feel confident

ment possible."

Leapfrog is just one of a number of organizations that regularly rate hospitals. Each group, however, has its own methodology which can lead to differing results for the same hospitals and, potentially, confusion for consumers.

Bruce McNulty, chief medical officer at Swedish Covenant Hospital on the city's North Side, said the grades are still useful for hospitals and consumers, if imperfect. Swedish was one of five Chicago hospitals to get an A — something the hospital achieved partly by reducing infection rates and implementing a bar code system to help prevent medication errors, he said.

"I think there are a number of ways you can potentially criticize something like this," McNulty said of hospital rating systems. "But I think it's important we be held to the highest standard and always try to be better."

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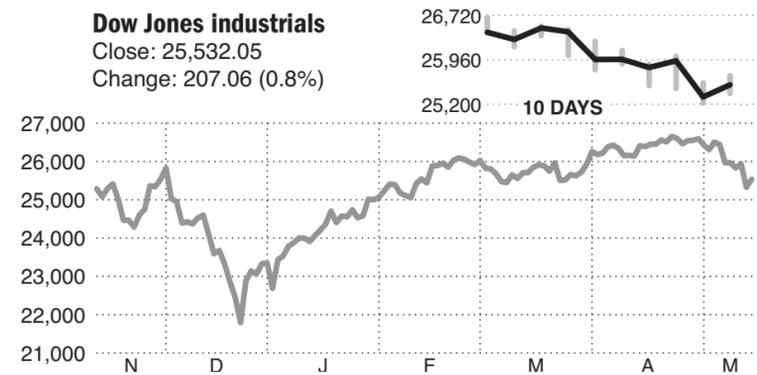
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+87.47 (+1.14%)	+22.54 (+.80%)	+20.06 (+1.32%)
Close: 7,734.49	Close: 2,834.41	Close: 1,543.06
High: 7,776.20	High: 2,852.54	High: 1,547.84
Low: 7,665.30	Low: 2,820.12	Low: 1,523.81
Previous: 7,647.02	Previous: 2,811.87	Previous: 1,523.00

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+0.02 to 2.42%	-5.40 to \$1,294.70	+0.30 to 109.64/\$1	+0.0019 to .8923/\$1	+0.74 to \$61.78

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-1.67	-2.88	-1.72	-3.48	-3.32	-2.50	+3.34	+5.21	+4.53

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 19	441.25	450.75	438	448.50	+11.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 19	354.25	360.75	353.50	359.50	+12
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 19	810	817.50	810	815	+24
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jul 19	26.56	27.15	26.56	27.00	+0.39
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jul 19	287.70	300.90	287.70	298.00	+10.70
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	Jul 19	60.86	62.11	60.69	61.78	+0.74
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Jul 19	2.624	2.670	2.622	2.659	+0.038
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Jun 19	1.9582	1.9921	1.9565	1.9767	+0.0130

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	76.03	+0.53	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	117.25	-0.36
AbbVie Inc	N	78.44	+1.57	Equity Residential	N	75.81	-0.03
Allstate Corp	N	94.74	+0.66	Exelon Corp	N	48.97	-0.49
Aptargroup Inc	N	112.98	+1.18	First Indl RT	N	34.75	+0.33
Arch Dan Mid	N	40.85	+0.51	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	53.00	+0.63
Baxter Intl	N	75.88	+0.44	Gallagher AJ	N	82.48	+0.53
Boeing Co	N	343.04	+5.67	Grainger WJ	N	262.06	+2.07
Brunswick Corp	N	50.20	+1.14	GrubHub Inc	N	62.54	+0.63
CB&E Global Markets	N	105.07	+1.93	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	98.29	+1.22
CDK Global Inc	O	50.73	+0.57	IDEX Corp	N	151.13	+0.56
CDW Corp	O	103.26	+1.22	ITW	N	148.95	+1.26
CF Industries	N	41.19	+0.67	Ingredion Inc	N	84.76	+0.59
CME Group	O	183.29	+0.99	John Bean Technol	N	108.98	+0.82
CNA Financial	N	44.99	+0.09	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	135.85	-1.93
Caterpillar Inc	N	127.47	+2.17	Kemper Corp	N	86.15	+0.84
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	28.60	+0.49	Kraft Heinz Co	O	32.27	+0.30
Deere Co	N	147.11	+0.83	LKQ Corporation	O	27.02	+0.24
Discover Fin Svcs	N	77.64	+1.02	Littelfuse Inc	O	171.25	+3.10
Dover Corp	N	96.09	+1.61	McDonalds Corp	N	198.01	-1.02
Equity Commonwealth	N	31.97	+0.02	Middleby Corp	O	136.75	+2.25
				Mondelez Intl	O	51.62	+1.48
				Morningstar Inc	O	133.03	+0.83
				Motorola Solutions	N	144.63	+1.40
				Navistar Intl	N	34.29	+2.87
				NiSource Inc	N	28.04	-0.26
				Nthn Trust Cp	O	94.91	+0.96
				Old Republic	N	21.95	+0.17
				Packaging Corp Am	N	97.18	+0.91
				Paylocity Hldg	O	96.12	+2.73
				RLI Corp	N	83.27	+0.44
				Stericycle Inc	O	49.37	+0.50
				TransUnion	N	64.18	+0.50
				Tribune Media Co A	N	46.38	-0.50
				US Foods Holding	N	38.35	+0.24
				Uita Salon Cosmetics	O	335.32	+5.09
				United Contl Hldgs	O	83.45	+1.38
				Ventas Inc	N	63.49	+0.07
				Walgreen Boots Alli	O	52.58	+0.46
				Waltrust Financial	O	73.35	+1.85
				Zebra Tech	O	186.72	+5.71

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	10.32	+0.45
Bank of America	28.62	+0.37
Uber Technologies	39.96	+2.86
Chesapeake Energy	2.56	+0.16
AT&T Inc	31.09	+0.62
Ambev S.A.	4.27	-0.02
Nokia Corp	4.77	-0.05
Ford Motor	10.24	+0.16
Halcon Resources	.33	+0.04
Pfizer Inc	40.66	+0.09
Turquoise Hill Res	1.31	-0.02
EnCana Corp	6.69	+0.30
Wells Fargo & Co	46.49	+1.16
Vale SA	12.04	+0.06
Snap Inc A	10.49	+0.38
Aurora Cannabis Inc	8.38	+0.36
Freemove McMoran	10.86	+0.15
Coty Inc	12.12	+0.39
Alibaba Group Hldg	174.84	+4.83
Teva Pharm	12.10	-0.13
Morgan Stanley	44.01	-0.17
Centene Corp	54.74	-0.16
Sprint Corp	5.99	-0.03
CocaCola Co	48.69	+0.64

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Adv Micro Dev	27.32	+1.08
Apple Inc	188.66	+2.94
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	5.63	+0.06
Cisco Syst	52.02	+0.72
Microsoft Corp	124.73	+1.38
Intel Corp	45.17	+0.41
Micron Tech	38.51	+1.13
JD.com Inc	29.67	+1.49
Zynga Inc	6.01	+0.13
Vodafone Group	16.34	-0.43
Facebook Inc	180.73	-0.81
Bilibili Inc	15.39	-0.82
Comcast Corp A	42.91	+0.63
Caesars Entertain	9.09	+0.21
Insys Therapeutics	1.24	+0.29
Qualcomm Inc	86.13	+2.24
Opko Health Inc	2.01	+0.05
GoPro Inc	7.38	+0.75
Nvidia Corporation	162.04	+3.59
eBay Inc	36.80	+0.93
Roku Inc	82.83	+3.38
Symantec Corp	19.47	+0.33
Marvell Tech Grp	22.89	+0.75
Mattel Inc	11.32	+0.22

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2883.61	-20.1/-0.7
Stoxx600	376.34	+3.8/+1.0
Nikkei	21067.23	-124.1/-0.6
MSCI-EAFE	1848.88	-16.2/-0.9
Bovespa	92092.44	+365.9/+0.4
FTSE 100	7241.60	+77.9/+1.1
CAC-40	5341.35	+78.8/+1.5

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	174.84	+4.83
Alphabet Inc C	1120.44	-11.59
Alphabet Inc A	1124.86	-11.73
Amazon.com Inc	1840.12	+17.44
Apple Inc	188.66	+2.94
Bank of America	28.62	+0.37
Berkshire Hath B	203.69	-1.32
Exxon Mobil Corp	75.81	+1.0
Facebook Inc	180.73	-0.81
HSBC Holdings prA	26.01	-0.04
JPMorgan Chase	110.32	+0.87
Johnson & Johnson	136.82	-0.38
MasterCard Inc	245.94	+4.56
Microsoft Corp	124.73	+1.38
Procter & Gamble	105.60	-0.51
Royal Dutch Shell B	65.01	+0.73
Royal Dutch Shell A	64.11	+0.73
Visa Inc	160.21	+2.88
WalMart Strs	100.29	+0.40

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	2.35	2.35
6-month disc	2.36	2.355
2-year	2.20	2.19
10-year	2.42	2.40
30-year	2.85	2.84

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1294.70	\$1300.10
Silver	\$14.752	\$14.713
Platinum	\$859.10	\$854.90

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.50
Discount Rate Primary	3.00
Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.66

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys...

Argentina (Peso)	44.9600
Australia (Dollar)	1.4400
Brazil (Real)	3.9793
Canada (Dollar)	.7749
China (Yuan)	1.3467
Euro	0.8923
India (Rupee)	70.326
Israel (Shekel)	3.5771
Japan (Yen)	109.64
Mexico (Peso)	19.1854
Poland (Zloty)	3.84
So. Korea (Won)	1188.03
Taiwan (Dollar)	31.15
Thailand (Baht)	31.51

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.33	+0.32	+2.5
American Funds AmrnBala m	26.73	+0.13	+4.3
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	m47.36	+0.40	+3.9
American Funds CptIncBldrA m	60.12	+0.29	+1.4
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	58.19	+0.53	+1.5
American Funds GrfAmrca m	48.65	+0.49	+2.8
American Funds IncAmrca m	22.05	+0.10	+2.6
American Funds InvCAMrca m	37.47	+0.27	+1.5
American Funds NwPrspctVA m	42.78	+0.44	+1.2
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	45.22	+0.34	+0.1
DFA EMktCorEq	19.98	+0.15	-2.0
DFA IntlCorEqIn	12.71	+0.11	-2.2
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.73	...	+5.5
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	39.96	+0.33	-11.7
Dodge & Cox Stk	184.16	+1.42	+1.3
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.55	...	+5.3
Fidelity 500IdxPrm	98.65	+0.80	+5.9
Fidelity Contrafund	12.59	+0.12	+3.7
Fidelity TtMktIdxPrm	80.34	+0.71	+5.1
Fidelity US8IdxPrm	11.54	...	+6.0
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.29	+0.01	+6.0
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.66	...	+2.2
PIMCO IncIst	12.03	...	+5.6
PIMCO IncInstl	12.03	...	+5.5
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.16	...	+5.8
Schwab SP500Idx	43.63	+0.35	+5.9
T. Rowe Price BCGR	111.66	+1.21	+6.3
T. Rowe Price GrStk	66.10	+0.64	+5.4
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	262.15	+2.12	+5.9
Vanguard DivGrInv	28.14	+0.13	+3.8
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	73.21	+0.47	+5.0
Vanguard GrldAdmrl	81.01	+0.84	+7.2
Vanguard HCAdmrl	77.51	+0.51	+1.8
Vanguard InTRTEAdmrl	14.28	+0.01	+6.0
Vanguard InslIdxIns	256.94	+2.08	+5.9
Vanguard InslIdxInsPlus	256.96	+2.08	+5.9
Vanguard InslMktInPls	61.34	+0.54	+5.3
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	90.73	+0.17	-6.1
Vanguard MktCpdxAdmrl	199.63	+2.10	+4.1
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	132.50	+1.47	+1.8
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.61	...	+4.5
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	73.35	+0.88	+1.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	30.86	+0.13	+2.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.49	+0.09	+2.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	33.70	+0.19	+1.6
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.70	+0.14	+1.1
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.69	-0.01	+5.9
Vanguard TtBMDIdxIns	10.69	-0.01	+5.9

OBITUARIES

CHUCK KINDER 1942-2019

Writer & teacher who inspired Chabon's 'Wonder Boys'

BY MATT SCHUDEL
The Washington Post

Chuck Kinder, a writer and teacher at the University of Pittsburgh whose party-giving and endless procrastination as a writer formed the basis of "Wonder Boys," a novel by one of his students, Michael Chabon, and a later film of the same name, died May 3 at a hospital in Miami. He was 76.

He had heart ailments, said his wife, Diane Cecily.

For years, Kinder led the creative writing program at the University of Pittsburgh, where he became renowned for his generosity as a teacher and as a host whose house became the literary heart of a city he called "the Paris of Appalachia."

In the 1970s, he published two novels set in his native West Virginia, but for years afterward he toiled on a manuscript that grew to more than 3,000 pages and never seemed to reach a conclusion. Chabon, who was Kinder's student in the 1980s, used him as the model for Grady Tripp, the narrator and central figure of the 1995 novel "Wonder Boys." The character was played by Michael Douglas in a well-received 2000 film, directed by Curtis Hanson.

The novel Kinder could not finish was called "Honeymooners," which centered on his friendship in the 1970s with short-story writer Raymond Carver while they were both studying at Stanford University. By the early 1980s, colleagues, the publishing world and even Kinder's students knew about the book that seemingly had no end.

"I remember one night being at Chuck's home for an impromptu party," Chabon said in a telephone interview. "I saw a light coming from his writing room, and on the desk was a crook-necked desk lamp, shining down on this monstrous stack of white paper. It must have been four reams. Chuck used to take people to look at it."

Like his fictional alter ego,

Kinder was a shambling character who smoked a lot of marijuana but was attentive to his students, offering encouragement and hard-won wisdom about literary life. Students and famous writers constantly dropped by his house in Pittsburgh's Squirrel Hill neighborhood.

"His teaching didn't stop at the classroom," Chabon said. "He was open with his struggles as a writer. I remember him saying to me, 'The book defeats me daily.' But the thing that made him so remarkable and so inspiring as a teacher was that he just loved literature."

In Chabon's novel and the film, Grady Tripp's mountainous manuscript is titled "Wonder Boys." Throughout the book, Tripp deals with romantic entanglements, fends off the demands of his editor and nurtures a promising student (played in the film by Tobey Maguire) - who pilfers a jacket once worn by Marilyn Monroe from the home of the university chancellor.

Kinder was not quite so comically beleaguered as Grady Tripp. After years of editing, his manuscript was trimmed to 358 pages and published in 2001 as "Honeymooners: A Cautionary Tale," which followed the friendship and rivalry of two hard-drinking writers.

"Kinder's prose has the range to encompass the tenderness of romantic love and the longing for the infinite that haunts these men," novelist Jay McInerney wrote in a New York Times review. "If 'Honeymooners' doesn't make you laugh, cry and cringe with sympathetic embarrassment, then you should probably adjust your medication immediately."

Charles Alfonso Kinder II was born Oct. 8, 1942, in Montgomery, West Virginia, and moved around the state during his childhood. His father worked in the insurance business; his mother was a nurse.

Kinder was an early admirer of Jack Kerouac and other Beat writers of the 1950s and studied English at West Virginia University, re-

ceiving a bachelor's degree in 1967 and a master's degree in 1968. (He was not related to another Chuck Kinder, who was the punter and place-kicker for the WVU football team in the mid-1960s.)

After teaching at what is now Waynesburg University in Pennsylvania, Kinder went to Stanford University, where he studied and taught writing and became friends with Carver, Tobias Wolff, Scott Turow, Larry McMurtry and other writers.

Kinder's first two novels, "Snakehunter" (1973) and "The Silver Ghost" (1978), were coming-of-age novels set in hardscrabble quarters of West Virginia. He taught in California and Alabama before joining the University of Pittsburgh faculty in 1980. After "Honeymooners," he published another book, "Last Mountain Dancer: Hard-Earned Lessons in Love, Loss, and Honky-Tonk Outlaw Life," in 2004.

"The border between fact and fiction is a porous one I cross over and back easily," Kinder told the Pittsburgh Current last year, when "Snakehunter" and "Last Mountain Dancer" were republished. "I have always told my students that my work is literally as true as the Bible."

After several strokes and a heart attack, he retired from teaching in 2014 and moved to Key Largo, Florida. He published several volumes of poetry in recent years.

His first marriage, to Janet Weaver, ended in divorce. Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Diane Cecily; a brother; and a sister.

"Of all the characters I've created," said Chabon, who the Pulitzer Prize for fiction for his 2001 novel "The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay," "Grady is one of my very favorites, and I couldn't have done it if Chuck hadn't been there."

Chabon did not ask permission before basing the character on his onetime mentor, but several years after "Wonder Boys" was published, he learned that Kinder was teaching it in his class to a new generation of aspiring writers.

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ON MAY 15 ...

In 1602, Cape Cod was discovered by English navigator Bartholomew Gosnold.

In 1911, the Supreme Court ordered the dissolution of Standard Oil Co., ruling it was in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

In 1914, Sherpa mountaineer Tenzing Norgay, who would be the first person — with Edmund Hillary in 1953 — to ascend Mount Everest, was born in Solo Khumbu, Nepal.

In 1918, U.S. airmail began service among Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

In 1930, Ellen Church, the first airline stewardess, went on duty aboard a United Airlines flight between San Francisco and Cheyenne, Wyo.

In 1942, gasoline rationing went into effect in 17 states, limiting sales to three gallons a week for nonessential vehicles.

In 1963, astronaut L. Gordon Cooper blasted off on the final mission of the Mercury space program. He circled the Earth 22 times in 34 hours.

In 1969, Abe Fortas resigned as an associate justice of the Supreme Court amid a controversy over past legal fees.

In 1972, Alabama Gov. George Wallace was shot by Arthur Bremer while campaigning in Laurel, Md., for the Democratic presidential nomination; Wallace was paralyzed for the rest of his life.

In 1986, searchers on Oregon's Mount Hood found two teenage survivors of a hiking expedition that became trapped in a blizzard.

In 1991, President Francois Mitterrand appointed Edith Cresson as France's first female premier.

In 1995, Dow Corning Corp. filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, citing potentially astronomical expenses from liability law-

suits.

In 1997, space shuttle Atlantis blasted off on a mission to deliver urgently needed repair equipment and a fresh American astronaut to Russia's orbiting Mir station. Also in 1997 Attorney General Janet Reno requested the death penalty for Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski.

In 2001, a runaway freight train rolled about 70 miles through Ohio with no one aboard before a railroad employee jumped onto the locomotive and brought it to a stop.

In 2002, the White House acknowledged that in the weeks before the Sept. 11 attacks President George W. Bush was told by U.S. intelligence that Osama bin Laden's terrorist network might hijack American airplanes, but that officials didn't know that suicide hijackers were plotting to use planes as missiles.

In 2006, a defiant Saddam Hussein refused to enter a plea at his trial, insisting he was still Iraq's president as a judge formally charged him with crimes against humanity.

In 2008, the California Supreme Court ruled 4-3 that same-sex should be permitted to marry, rejecting state marriage laws as discriminatory.

In 2014, President Barack Obama joined survivors, victims' families and other attendees at the dedication of the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony in New York City.

In 2015, a federal jury sentenced Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev to death.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

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May 15 Powerball: \$250M	
May 16 Lotto: \$5.5M	
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Arnold, Gordon Wayne

Gordon Wayne Arnold, 86, of Palatine. Beloved husband of Bridget, nee LeBlanc. Loving father of Ann (Ken) Kenik, Jim, Kathleen, Mary and John Arnold. Adored grandfather of Lara, Ellen, Elizabeth, Ben (Abi), Conner, Megan and Molly. Dear great-grandfather of Deklan. Devoted brother of Thomas (the late Marilyn). Uncle and friend to many. A Memorial Visitation in Gordon's honor will be held on Saturday, May 18th, 2 PM to 5 PM, at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 185 E Northwest Highway, Palatine. Interment private. Info 847-359-8020

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Baron, Juanita P

Juanita Baron; beloved wife of Jose; loving mother of Janeica (Charlie) Baron Casimiro, Joanna Baron, Junette Baron Bradshaw and Andre Baron; cherished grandmother of Nicholas, Mateo and Emilia Casimiro.

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Bilik, Eugene J. 'Gene'

Age 85, late of Lockport passed away peacefully on Monday, May 13, 2019 at the Joliet Area Community Hospice home surrounded by his loving family. Born and raised in Chicago, resided in Homewood and living in Lockport since 2015. A proud United States Korean War Navy Veteran. Gene loved polka dancing, a nice cigar and cherished spending time with his family. He was always smiling, laughing and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Preceded in death by a son, Gregory Bilik (2009); parents, Peter and Agnes (Mendrala) Bilik; and four sisters and two brothers.

Survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Lois (Geers) Bilik; one daughter, Tamra (Michael Smith) Bilik; and one cherished grandson, Ian Smith.

Services will be held Friday, May 17, 2019 with everyone meeting at St. John Vianney Catholic Church 401 Brassel St. Lockport, IL 60441 for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00am. Interment private. Visitation, Thursday, May 16, 2019 in the O'Neil Funeral Home Chapel 1105 E. 9th (159th) St., Lockport, IL 60441 from 4:00pm until 8:00pm. Family and friends may sign the guestbook or obtain directions at: oneilfuneralhome.com

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Briggs, Charlene M.

Charlene M. Briggs (nee Bures) passed away on May 12, 2019 at the age of 76. Predeceased by her loving husband of 48 years, Frank Briggs and dear parents Edward and Lillian Bures. Charlene is lovingly remembered by her sons Frank Jr., Edward, and Robert (Robin) and her grandchildren Edward Jr., Robert II, Nicholas, Rebecca, and Alex. Also remembered by her cherished brother Edward (Judy) Bures and many nieces and nephews. Charlene was retired from Jewel Food Stores where she managed the seafood department for many years. She was also active in her family's carnival business. She loved spending time with family and friends. She truly enjoyed hosting big dinners as she always brought family and friends together. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Visitation will be on Thursday May 16th from 2-8pm at **Kerr-Parzygnot Funeral Home** located at 540 Dixie Hwy Chicago Heights, IL. Funeral Mass on Friday May 17th at 10am at St. Agnes Parish located at 1501 Chicago Rd. Chicago Heights, IL. Burial at Assumption Cemetery, Glenwood, IL. Info: 708-754-0016

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Chapman, Helen Hiller

Helen Hiller Chapman, 80, Northbrook, IL. Beloved wife for 56 years of Arthur Chapman; devoted mother of Dr. Laurie (Andrew) Hochberg and Marci Chapman; proud grandmother of Daniel (Jamie), Jessica, Barbara, and Rachel Hochberg; beloved sister of Herbert (Ruth) Hiller; and many nieces and nephews. Helen worked as a registered dietician for over 40 years. She was well known for her crafting skills, especially her toffee and sewing. Funeral service will be held Thursday, May 16, 2019, 10AM at Temple Beth-El, 3610 Dundee Rd., Northbrook, IL. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Jewish United Fund or Temple Beth-El. Arrangements by **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH/630-648-9824 or www.MitzvahFunerals.com.

Mitzvah Memorial Funerals

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Colletti, Yolanda

Yolanda Colletti, age 89, a resident of Naperville, IL, passed away May 13, 2019 at St. Patrick's Residence, Naperville. She was born on September 24, 1929 in Chicago, IL. Yolanda was the devoted and loving wife of the late Charlie Colletti; caring mother of John (Annemarie Webb) Colletti; proud and loving grandmother of Joseph, Christine (fiance Daniel Knorps), James and Matthew Colletti. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dominick and Pierina (nee Testore) Garda and her loving sister and best friend, Theresa (the late Eugene) Costabile. She was also the caring aunt of Maria (Fred) Toms and Anthony (Rhonna) Costabile and great-aunt of Eugene, Matthew and Fred, Jr. Toms, Jason, Jordan and Jamie Costabile. She is also survived by her brother John (the late Patricia) and their family; as well as numerous nieces and nephews from the Colletti side of the family. Yolanda fondly recalled growing up on the west side of Chicago and attending Our Lady of Angels Grade School before graduating from Providence High School. She enjoyed working in the Sears Roebuck and Co. comptroller's office before starting her family. Later in life she returned to the workforce in the medical industry until retiring from St. Elizabeth's Hospital. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Our Lady of Angels Mission, 3808 W. Iowa St., Chicago, IL 60651. Visitation Thursday, May 16, 5:00-8:00 PM at the **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, May 17, 11:00 AM at St. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 36 N. Ellsworth St., Naperville. Interment Mount Carmel Cemetery, Hillside. For information please call 630/355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com

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COOLEY, LORRAINE ELEANOR

COOLEY age 89 a lifetime area resident. Beloved wife of the late Lester (2002); loving mother of Michael (Cookie), Nancy (late James) Pelke, Patricia (Jerry) Gruber and James (Mindi); caring grandmother of 8; devoted great-grandmother of 7; survived by her dear sisters Vivian (Glen) Blum, Dorothy Yackley and sister-in law Elaine Cooley; cherished aunt to many nieces and nephews. Lorraine enjoyed collecting antiques, estate sales, gardening, traveling, music and especially loved spending time with her family. Visitation will be Friday May 17th from 9 A.M. until Services at 11 A.M. at Toon Funeral Home 4920 Main Street Downers Grove, IL 60515. Interment Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Hinsdale, IL. For additional information www.toonfuneralhome.com OR 630-968-0408

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Dwyer, Mary E.
Mary E. (nee Fahy) Dwyer, 88 of Prospect Heights. Beloved wife of the late Bill Dwyer; Loving mother of Nancy (Chris) Walsh. Visitation Friday, from 9:30 AM until the time of mass at 10:30 AM at St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church, 411 N. Wheeling Road, Prospect Hts, IL. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Marklund Little Angels, (Elgin Campus) 15450 Wyatt Drive, Geneva, IL, 60134 or Good Shepherd Manor Foundation, P.O. Box 260, Momence, IL 60954. Funeral info. www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168.

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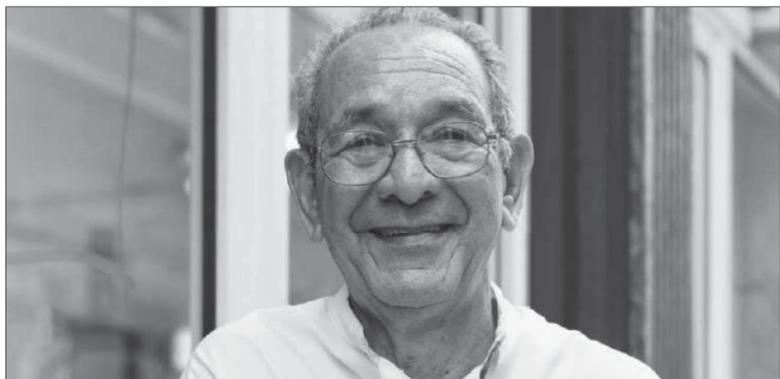
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See Hurlless notice.

Elliott, William M.
William M. Elliott, age 80, of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, formerly of Lincolnwood. Beloved husband of the late Carol, nee Susmarski; loving father of James (the late Lynne), Thomas (Cathy), and Jeffrey (Rose) Elliott, Don (Karen) and Rick (Laura) Ledbetter; cherished grandfather of Zoe, Carolyn (Brent) Kosok, Kyle, Christian, Hope, Matthew, Joseph, Danny, Paige, and Barron; dear great-grandfather of Vesla; fond brother of Karen (Larry) Jamrozek. Visitation, Friday, May 17, 2019, from 4 to 9 p.m., at **HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory**, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral Service, Saturday, May 18, at 11 a.m., at the funeral home. Interment, Union Ridge Cemetery, Chicago. Memorial contributions may be made to Susan G. Komen Chicago (for breast cancer research), 213 W. Institute Pl., Suite 302, Chicago, IL, 60610, or Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge Av., Chicago, IL, 60660. A man who did it "his way." Info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.

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Erickson, Jacqueline 'Pat'

Jacqueline "Pat" Erickson, age 97, at rest May 12, 2019. Loving wife of the late Elmer. Dear mother of the late Ellen Cassiani. Pat is survived by many cherished family members. A heartfelt thanks to her devoted caregivers who provided wonderful care for several years. Visitation is Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 2:00 pm until 8:00 pm at Adolff Funeral Home, Ltd., 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook. Funeral Mass is Friday, May 17th, 10:00 am at Our Lady of the Woods Church in Orland Park. Interment at Fairmount Willow Hills Cemetery. Info at: 630-325-2300 or www.adolffservices.com.



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Follis Jr., Earl C.

Earl C. Follis, Jr., age 84, of Blue Island. Korean War Veteran. Beloved husband of Raphealla Follis nee Amato. Loving father of Gregory Chase, Elaine Chase Williams, and the late Linda Chase Hein. Proud grandfather of Matthew, Sarah, Andrew, Jacob (Lex), Sydney, and Cassidy. Great-grandfather of 3. Longtime employee of ARA Services and Marriott Hotels. Earl was the proud Santa for the community for 25 years. Visitation Thursday May 16, 2019 from 2-8pm at Hickey Memorial Chapel 2429 W. 127th St Blue Island, IL 60406. Funeral Friday 10:30am at the funeral home going to St Benedict Church 11am Mass. For more information and online register www.hickeyfuneral.com or (708) 388-1636



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Goldstein, Nathan

Nathan Goldstein, nearly 95, beloved son of the late Isadore and Rose; dear brother of the late Evelyn Turner; caring uncle of Wendy and Tina; An extremely beloved friend who became like family for those closest to him. Proud WWII Veteran who served in the Navy in the East Pacific. Prolific historian, devoted Zionist, philanthropist, artist, and champion for Yiddish language causes. In lieu of flowers, charitable donations may be made to The Yivo Institute, <https://yivo.org>, JUF, www.juf.org OR Friends of the IDF, www.fidf.org. A graveside service will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery, 9900 Gross Point Rd., Skokie, IL on Thursday, May 16th at 3:00 pm. For info: call Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home at 847-256-5700.



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Gomez, Virginia V.

born on October 11, 1940 of Chicago, Illinois. Passed away on May 11, 2019 in Portage, Indiana surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Leon, Guanajuato. Loving wife of the late Mike; Dearest mother of Reyes (Melissa), Miguel, Maria (Edward) Castellanos, Michael, Mitch (Leah) and the late Anita Valadez and Frank Gomez; Caring grandma to her many grandchildren that loved her to the moon and back. Donations appreciated to The Kidney Foundation in the name of Virginia Gomez. Visitation Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 3-9:00 p.m. at Belmont Funeral Home, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. Chicago, IL. 60634. Funeral prayers Friday 9:30 a.m. at funeral home to St. Pius Church for Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 a.m. Interment Mount Carmel Cemetery.



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Grande

See Annette Jajko notice.

Grove-Valevicius, Shirley

DuPage Former Township County Collector, long-time politician
Shirley Valevicius a longtime resident of Bolingbrook for the past 48 years passed away with her family by her side on Tuesday May 7th. Shirley was recovering well from an illness when she suddenly passed away. Inspired by the public service of her late father Edgar Grove, Shirley traded life from an administrator at Commonwealth Edison for a career in local politics in Bolingbrook where she where she served as an election judge, precinct captain and committee-woman thru years of public service. On November 2, 2010 Shirley was proudly elected the DuPage Township Collector. She accomplished this by working to serve all members of her constituency. She also was an active member of the Bolingbrook Arts Council, the Bolingbrook chamber of commerce, the Lewis University Alumni Board and an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution where she traveled to Washington DC to participate in their philanthropic causes. Shirley a graduate of Oak Park River Forest high school class of 1955 returned to school while in her 60's subsequently graduating from Lewis University where she received multiple degrees including her Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership 2004, and was named a Scholar of the University in 2002. In addition to her former husband, Anton G. Valevicius she is predeceased by Parents Edgar E. Grove and Alice J Grove (Turek), and her brother Edgar Grove Jr. She is survived by her daughter and son, Cheryl Barrett and Tony Valevicius and her grandchildren Ryan Barrett and Alec Barrett. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, May 16th 2019 at St Francis of Assisi Church in Bolingbrook at 10am with a memorial luncheon following at the Bolingbrook Golf Club. Shirley had a great love for our environment, dogs, horses and wildlife; therefore, in lieu of flowers please send donations to the Defenders of Wildlife 1130 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20036

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Hanyzewski Sr., Daniel E.

Daniel E. Hanyzewski Sr., age 82, at rest May 13, 2019. Beloved husband of M. Elaine (nee Ludan); loving father of Daniel Jr. (Nancy), Louise (the late Michael) Ng, Larry (Jessie), Fr. Andrew (Aimee) and Tom (Cheryl); devoted grandfather of Nathan, Tyler, Matthew, Mark, Cassidy, Savannah and L.J.; dearest great grandfather of Mya and Blake; dear brother of the late Judith Novak; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Funeral Friday May 17, 2019 at 8:30 A.M. from Salerno's Rosedale Chapels 450 W. Lake St. IL 60172 (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale Rd/Roselle Rd.) to St. Isidore Church, Bloomingdale. Funeral Mass at 9:30A.M. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Visitation Thursday 3-9 P.M. In lieu of flowers Masses are appreciated. Info 630-889-1700

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Howe, George F.

George F. Howe, age 76, Army Veteran, currently of Tinley Park, formerly of Evergreen Park. Beloved husband of Karen Howe. Loving father of Erik (Teresa) Howe, William (Lisa) Watters and Lisa (Tim) Zerbe. Dear grandfather of Kristina, Justin, Jenna and the late William and Kyle. Loving great-grandfather of Anthony Jr., Andrew and Aaron. Cherished son of the late George and Jeanne Howe. Fond brother of the late Ed (Cindy) Howe and Bob Howe. Uncle of Ed Howe Jr. and Jonathan Howe. Son-in-law of Lee and Leonard Bartkiewicz. Brother-in-law to Terri (Jerry) and Tami (Mike). Also many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 3pm until time of service 7:30pm at RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES, 12641 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen. George belonged to many health clubs, organizations and churches. 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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Hurless, Michael John

Michael John Hurless, 77, Veteran U.S.M.C. passed away peacefully on May 11, 2019, surrounded by family. He was born in Chicago on November 11, 1941 to Dorothy (nee Ryan) and Virgil Hurless. Beloved father of Patrick (Megan) Hurless and Teri Hurless (Rick Mutch). Devoted Papa of Fiona, Declan and Aidan Hurless and Arwen King. Loving brother of Bill (Linda) Hurless of Decatur, IL, and the late Susan (the late Clarence) Casson. Former husband of the late Sandra Ehrhard. Proud uncle of many, thoughtful neighbor and longtime member of Galter Life Center. Mike retired after a 34 year career with Illinois Bell/AT&T, was a proud member of IBEW, Local 165, and concluded his career working in the Franklin Park School District. Family and friends will gather Thursday, May 16th at St. Barnabas Church 10134 S. Longwood Dr. Chicago from 4:00 p.m. until time of Memorial Service at 6:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a random act of kindness or a donation to Misericordia 6300 N. Ridge Ave. Chicago, IL. 60660. Arrangements entrusted to Donnellan Funeral Home. Info (773)238-0075 or sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com



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Jajko, Annette

Annette Jajko, Age 67, nee Grande. Beloved wife of Jerome "Jake" Jajko. Loving mother of Rob (Nikka) Jajko M.D. & Melissa (Dominic Bernardi) Jajko, Psy. D. Beloved daughter of Louis and Theresa Grande. Dear sister of Peter (Dee) Grande, Laura (Michael) Mackey and Anthony (Sharon) Grande M.D. Fond aunt of many. She earned her Master's degree from National Louis University and was a professor at Triton College in the business department for over 20 years in which she earned several outstanding awards during her tenure. Visitation Thursday May 16 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Cumberland Chapels, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral Friday 9:00 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Cyprian Church in River Grove 10:00 a.m. Entombment Immaculate Heart of Mary Mausoleum, All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to MPN (Myeloproliferative Neoplasms) Research Foundation, 180 N Michigan Ave., Suite 1870, Chicago IL 60601. Funeral info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.



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Jirsa, Frank

Frank Jirsa, 87, of Lincolnshire. Beloved husband of Marylyn (nee Fanning) Jirsa; loving father of Karen Jirsa and Frank (Denise Williams) Jirsa; fond uncle of James (Ashleigh) Fanning and Jeff Fanning; dear great uncle to Chase and Austin Fanning and dear friend of Robert Zoltek. Memorial visitation will be Friday, May 17, 2019 from 10:00 AM until the time of memorial service at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church, 302 N. Dunton, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Kindred Hospice, Kindred Hospice, 85 W Algonquin Rd., Suite 100, Arlington Heights, IL 60005. Funeral info. www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168.



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Kahan, Barry H.

Barry H. Kahan, age 74. Beloved husband and life partner of Holly J. Kahan, nee Brody. Loving father of Dawn (Jonathan) Metcalf, Corrie (Rich) Goldberg and Cantor Adam (Michelle) Kahan. Proud grandfather of Eva, Sarah, Avi, Alina, Asher, Alexander and Talia. Dear brother of Cindy (Jordan Rose) Kahan and the late Robert (Heliane) Kahan. Service Friday, 11 AM at Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Ave, Glencoe, IL 60022. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to Am Shalom, www.amshalom.com or Les Turner ALS Foundation, 5550 W. Touhy Ave., Ste. 302, Skokie, IL 60077, www.lesturnerals.org or Journeycare Hospice, 2050 Claire Ct., Glenview, IL 60025, www.journeycare.org. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com.



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Konen, Robert C.

Robert C. Konen 101, Passed away May 12, 2019. WW II Army Veteran. Beloved son of the late John and Maud (nee Murphy). Loving brother of the late John C.P.D. (the late Kitty) Konen. Fond uncle of Tom Sr. (Ruth Ann) Konen. Great-uncle of Tom Jr. (Christie) Konen. Great-great-uncle of Baylee and Ashley. Dear cousin to many. Bob was the oldest living Alumni of St. Rita H.S., Graduate of Chicago Teachers College, Retired Principal of Sutherland School, Past President of the Teachers Retirement Assn. and member of the Renaissance Program at St. Xavier Univ. Resident of Smith Village for the last 12 yrs. Visitation Thursday May 16, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until time of Mass 10:00 a.m. at St. John Fisher Church 10235 S. Fairfield, Chicago. Int. St. Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Rita H.S. 7740 S. Western Ave. Chicago, IL. 60620 or the Emilie Fund at Smith Village 2320 West 113th. Pl. Chicago, IL. 60643. Arrangements entrusted to Donnellan Funeral Home (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com.



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Lorraine, Smolzer Marie

Lorraine Marie (nee Vavrick) Smolzer, age 84, of McHenry, passed away peacefully Sunday, May 12, 2019, at Alden-Poplar Creek Rehab Center, Hoffman Estates. She was born April 27, 1935, to the late Thomas and Louise (nee Voss) Vavrick. On October 15, 1955, she married the love of her life, the late John Smolzer, in Chicago. She is survived by her dear children: Timothy (Kelly) Smolzer, Lynn (Scott) Nelson, Jo Smolzer, Michael (Jennifer) Smolzer, and Jeanne (Nathan) Manoso; ten cherished grandchildren, and one beloved great-grandchild. Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2019, from 4pm until 8pm, at Colonial Funeral Home & Crematory, 591 Ridgeview Drive, McHenry. Mass of Christian Burial will be said at 10am on May 17, 2019, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 3500 W Washington, McHenry. Interment will follow at Maryhill Cemetery, Niles. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Family Home Health Services. For more information, visit www.colonialmchenry.com or call 815-385-0063.

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MacDonald, Eleanore V.

Eleanor V. MacDonald (nee Domina) age 97; Beloved wife of the late Lawrence G. MacDonald; Loving mother of Kevin and Keith (Lisa) MacDonald; Cherished grandmother of Samantha, Madison and Colin MacDonald; Fond aunt & great aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 5-8 PM; Funeral Saturday 9:15 AM from the Andrew J. McGann & Son Funeral Home, 10727 S. Pulaski Rd., to St. Catherine of Alexandria Church for Mass at 10:00 AM; Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Please sign guest book at andrewmcgann.com, for info 773-783-7700.

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Maciejewski, Walter J.

In loving memory of Walter J. Maciejewski, preceded in death by his parents (the late Jozef and Anna). Beloved brother of the (late Frank), WWII veteran in South Pacific Campaign; Loving lifelong partner Jean (Schabelski); Dear friend of Greg and Carol (Schabelski); Friend too many. Close friend of Alvin Paul Johnson. Closest friend and neighbor Bertrand Derel; Dearest friend to Edward (Kamila) Jarosz. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the disable veterans. www.dav.org Visitation Wednesday May 15, 2019, 4pm-9pm, Pietryka Funeral Home, 5734 W. Diversey, Chicago, IL. Mass Thursday May 16, 2019 10am St. Stanislaus B&M, 5352 W. Belden, Chicago, IL. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles, IL. www.pietrykaft.com 773-889-0115

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Nero, Frank C.

Frank C. Nero, of Inverness. Beloved husband to the late Barbara Nero, nee Jendrzeczyk. Best dad and best friend to Frank P. Nero. Frank was a patient and caring friend to everyone, strangers and family alike. He will truly be missed by all. Visitation 9:30 AM, Friday, May 17th, Holy Family Parish, 2515 W Palatine Rd, Inverness, IL 60067, until time of the Funeral Mass at 10:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations in Frank's name may be made to USA Dance at <http://www.usadance.org/donations/>. Interment St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery. Info 847-359-8020 or visit www.smithcorcoran.com

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O'Connell, William Joseph 'Billy'

William Joseph O'Connell, "Billy", born January 29, 1950, passed on April 16, 2019. Son of the late Edna Hines O'Connell and James D. O'Connell. Brother of the late Margaret O'Connell Sparks (George), James D. O'Connell (Carole), and Delia O'Connell Wozniak (John). Uncle Billy to Jami O'Connell (Diana), Patrick O'Connell (Jan), William Sparks (Jenny), James Sparks, (Anna), Jennie Wozniak Boyle (Patrick), John Wozniak (Cella), Delia Wozniak Lacson (Justin), Traci Barker (Paul) and Erin Passmore (Bill). He had twelve grand nieces and nephews. Billy enjoyed numerous forever friendships. All of us were his "kids" and he was the biggest, most fun kid of all. We thank him for showing us how to live out loud! Always a song in his heart and a swagger in his step. We wish we had more time together. Every day we had was truly a gift. Memorial donations to Heartland Alliance Health/Northside Grocery Center, 5543 N. Broadway, Chicago, Illinois 60640, the Irving Park YMCA, or The Howard Brown Clinic.

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Parets, Mark Lawrence

Mark loved lacrosse. From the first time he picked up a stick, he was addicted. He would go on to play, coach, and help shape the sport in South Florida.



Mark was born in Chicago, July 11, 1961, Larry and Joan's (Caddigan) oldest child. His early years were filled playing with his cousins and his siblings, Matt and Linda (Moskowitz). The latter would argue that "playing" often meant "tormenting", but who didn't love rolling their little sister up in a mattress and tickling her until she peed?

Mark was in high school when the family left his beloved Chicago for Miami. He discovered lacrosse and decided he'd found his calling.

Mark was playing attack when he met Beth Riescher. The two formed an easy friendship and fell in love. She agreed to marry him in 1982 despite a whitefro that would've put Lindsay Buckingham to shame.

Between stringing sticks and checking midfielders, Mark and Beth became parents. One of the first gifts he bought Mark Ryan and Elizabeth were mini lacrosse sticks because toddlers throwing rock hard projectiles seemed completely reasonable.

In his spare time from lacrosse, Mark played lacrosse. He competed in adult leagues, coached, officiated, and promoted the sport across the region. He was inducted into the South Florida Lacrosse Hall of Fame in 2012.

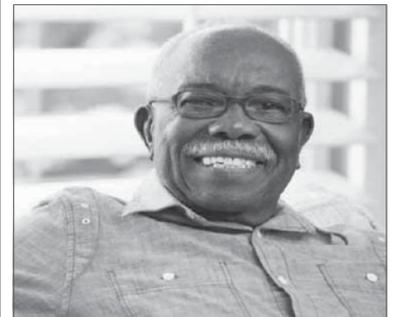
Mark loved being "Coach Parets", but nothing meant more than being "PaPa" to his grandchildren, Emily and Ashton. He would do anything for them including making them giggle with homemade videos. Linda wishes she had known about the videos sooner because posting them to Facebook would have been the perfect revenge for that mattress thing.

He passed away on April 19, 2019 before finding out he was voted 2019 USLacrosse South Florida Men's Coach of the Year. There is no doubt he bragged about it to Joan, Larry, and everyone he joined in passing. They would have agreed it was well-deserved before Uncle Joe told him to go grab him an Old Style.

Mark leaves behind his wife and best friend, Beth, and a loving family. In addition to Mark Ryan, Elizabeth, Emily and Ashton, there's Matt, his wife Sara (Stelle) and their son, Lukas; Linda, her husband Dustin and their son, Jonathan; and his honorary daughters, Kathina Cook and Angie Bouchard.

A memorial for Mark will be held from 2:00-3:30 on May 19, 2019 at Stanfill Funeral Home in Miami, FL. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the college fund for his grandchildren. Details at <http://www.parets.com/mark>.

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Peck, Joseph

Joseph Peck was born in November 12, 1926, the son of Joseph Stephen Pecenansky and Margaret Siebert who immigrated from Banovce, Slovakia in 1922 and were married in Chicago. At the age of 17 he enlisted in the Navy to fight in World War II. Joseph was stationed in Miami and was a part of the air fleet that protected the US Eastern shores. His job was top secret, handling a new invention at the time which would later be known as radar aboard the plane to track the enemy. After the war, he returned to Florida and completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Miami. Next, he earned his Master's Degree in engineering at the Illinois Institute of Technology. From the late 1950s and until his retirement in the 1990s, Joseph worked for the State of Illinois as a Civil Engineer, building many of the roads and bridges throughout Northern Illinois, and Chicago. On June 19, 1943 he married Barbara Regina Fuhrman, who was his sweetheart and the love of his life. In 1962, the couple built their dream home in Park Ridge, Illinois, where they remained residents for the rest of their lives. A devoted husband for over 60 years, he affectionately looked after Barbara until her recent passing in October 2018. Known for his great sense of humor and timing, Joseph delighted in cracking jokes and loved to make people laugh. He lived life to the fullest. He was an avid golfer and especially enjoyed the 19th hole. As a family man, he took pride in raising his three sons, taking care of the family's beloved dogs, dining, and dancing with his wife Barbara. After retiring, he and his grandson were inseparable. He appreciated spending time at the family retreat in Marco Island, Florida where he savored being kissed by the sun while laying out on the beach. Joseph learned to play the violin at a young age and when he grew older became a big fan of music from the Big Band Era. Joseph will be missed by friends and family. He left a lasting and profound legacy through his three sons: Mark, Scott and Dale; daughter-in-law Tina, and his grandson Joey. Visitation Thursday, May 16, 4-8 p.m. at **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, 120 S. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge. Funeral Friday, prayers 10 a.m. at funeral home. Interment to follow in St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine, IL. Funeral Information, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Peponis, Harold A.

Harold A. Peponis of Chicago, passed away on Sunday, May 12, 2019. Beloved husband of Aphrodite "Faye" nee, Karras; loving father of Arthur H. Peponis II, and stepfather of Kathryn, George (Despina) and Troy (Evangella) Stavros; proud Papou of Keith, Alyssa (Brandt), Julianna, Maria, Alexandria, Kyri, Remington and Georgia Faye; dear brother of the late James A. (Catherine) Peponis; brother-in-law of Nathan (Kate) and George (Becky) Karras; fond uncle of many nieces, nephews and their families. Visitation 4-9 pm on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at Nelson Funeral Home, 820 W. Talcott Road, Park Ridge. Family and friends will meet at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 1017 N. LaSalle Boulevard, Chicago on Friday, May 17 for funeral service at 10:30am. Interment at Elmwood Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers, memorial donations may be made to Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral or St. Iakovos Retreat Center at gosirc.org. Arrangements by **John G. Adinamis** Funeral Director, Ltd. 847-375-0095

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Purpura, Eugene 'Geno'

Eugene "Geno" Purpura, age 92, Vet WWII, US AAF. Beloved husband of Mildred, nee Bradarich. Dear father of Norene (the late Tom) Nickel, Sam (Wendy) and the late Richard (Esther). Loving grandfather of John (Desiree) and Jackie Nickel, Nicole (Chris) Block, Brooke (Don) Zlabinger, Triston and Rachel Purpura and great grandfather of 6. Dear brother of Dolly (the late Sam) Vicario and the late Robert (the late Margaret) Purpura. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. at **Beverly Ridge Funeral Home**; 10415 S. Kedzie Ave. Family and friends will gather Friday 10:00 a.m. at St. Fabian Church; 8300 S. Thomas Ave, Bridgeview, IL. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. 773-779-4411

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Rayner Jr., Lawrence

Lawrence Rayner Jr., 87, of Lake Geneva, WI and Tequesta, FL, died Sunday May 5, 2019. Husband of Sally nee: Garvy, father of Martha Rayner, grandfather of Alex and Eryk. Services Saturday May 18, 2019 11:00 a.m., Derrick Funeral Home, Lake Geneva, WI. Visitation Saturday, at the funeral home, 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers memorials requested to: The Time is Now, P.O. Box 1, Lake Geneva, WI 53147. To sign the on-line guest registry go to: www.derrickfuneralhome.com.

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Ridges, Adele

Adele Ridges, nee Gluting, age 95, formerly of Chicago, IL peacefully passed away in Naperville, IL on Monday, May 13, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Capt. John W. Ridges, Sr. (CPD); loving mother of Kathleen (the late Deacon Thomas) Kreidler, retired Sgt. John (Mary) Ridges, Jr. (CPD), and the late Y.O. Michael Ridges (CCSP). She will be greatly missed by her eight grandchildren and her 21 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Visitation Sunday, May 19, 2:00 PM until the time of the funeral service at 5:30 PM at the **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 44 S Mill St., Naperville, IL 60540. Inurnment will be at a future date at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund or Illinois Special Olympics. For information call 630/355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com

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Rissley, Gloria T.

Gloria T. Rissley (nee Pulido) 87, of Mokena passed away Tuesday, May 14, 2019. Gloria was born in Guadalajara, Mexico to the late Pedro "Pete" and Teresa (nee Meyer) Pulido. Beloved wife of 62 years to Milton Rissley Jr; loving mother of Pete (Judith) Rissley, John Rissley, and Laura Johnston; cherished grandmother of Dana, Amy, and Mike Rissley, Amber (Chris) Kircher, and Austin Allread; proud great grandmother of Dominic Flinn, and Alexis Kircher; dear sister of late Donna (Fred) Terkovich, Wilma (late Phil) Fusco, and JoAnn (late John) Wagner; loved aunt by numerous nieces and nephews. Gloria retired from LincolnWay Central High School where she worked in the cafeteria for 18 years. The family will receive friends at Kurtz Memorial Chapel, New Lenox on Friday, May 17, 2019 from 10:00am until time of Funeral Service at 2:00pm. Interment will be private. www.kurtzmemorialchapel.com or 815-485-3700 for info.

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Rooney, Patrick Dougan

Patrick Dougan Rooney, 41, passed away peacefully May 10th, 2019 at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Patrick was born in November 1977 to Teresa (nee Dougan) and Daniel Rooney in Lake Forest, Illinois. He was a lifelong resident of Palatine, Illinois. After his graduation from high school he went to work with his father at the family business and at the time of his death he was Sales Manager at Chicago Trailer Pool Corp. in Elgin, Illinois. He was well known for his constant kindness and generosity towards others around him. Children were often delighted in his presence. He is survived by his mother and father Teresa (nee Dougan) and Daniel Rooney, his sister Jamie Rooney, brother Tom (Ashley) Rooney, his nephew Dougan Henning Rooney and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Frances (nee Burns) Rooney and Donald T. Rooney (Paternal); Margaret (McKay) Dougan and Edward Dougan (Maternal). Donations to Loyola Medical Center <https://support.loyolamedicine.org/loyola/giving> are appreciated. Visitation Friday May 17th from 3-9 PM at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home** 185 E. Northwest Hwy. Palatine, IL 60067. Funeral Saturday May 18th, 9:30 AM from the funeral home for 10 AM mass at St. Thomas of Villanova. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info 847-359-8020 or www.smith-corcoran.com

Smith-Corcoran Funeral Homes

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Rubens, Lisa Joy

Lisa Joy Rubens, nee Newman, age 63, of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Deerfield; loving mother of Joshua Rubens (Rebecca Jimenez), Jeremy (Becca) Rubens, and Rachel Rubens (Tremell Richardson); adored Bubbie of TJ and Charlie; devoted daughter of the late Barbara and Alan Newman; cherished sister of Leslie Burdar, Jody (Ralph) Gerbie, and Larry (April) Newman; treasured aunt, cousin, and friend to many. Lisa graduated from Niles West H.S. and National Louis University; she worked as a teacher in the health services field for many years. Service Thursday, 12 Noon at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Crossroads, www.thecrossroadsinc.org. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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Schumacher, Roger

Roger Schumacher, age 75, of Chicago. Loving brother of Madeleine (Donald), Murielle, and Jacquelyn (the late Gerald). Dearest uncle Angela, Gary (Kelly), G.A. (Gina), Jeanette, Jason (Erin), Jeffrey (Angela). Great uncle of Ambrye, Krystal, Corey, Anthony, Alexis, Vincent, Gianna, Gino, Kennedy, Ava, Francesca, Jeffrey, Teresa. Great-great uncle Aidan, Evanna, Sean, Jade, Nevaeh. Visitation Thursday May 16, 2019, 3-8pm at **Kolssak Funeral Home** 189 S Milwaukee Ave. Wheeling, IL. Life Celebration Service Friday May 17, 2019, 11am at the funeral home. Interment to follow in Ridgewood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations in Roger's honor to a charity of your choice appreciated. To leave a condolence or for additional information please visit www.funerals.pro or 847.537.6600.

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Shalton, Joan F.

Joan F. Shalton nee Schreiber, Suddenly. Beloved wife of the late Chester Shalton. Loving mother of Glenn (Michele) Shalton & Karen (Joel) James. Cherished grandmother of Brandon (Allison) Udischas, Ellis Shalton & Patrick Shalton. Dear sister of Robert (Elizabeth) Schreiber. Proud aunt of many nieces & nephews. Resting at **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn where Services will take place Friday at 11:00 am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Visitation Thursday from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Sopkin, Marvin E.

Marvin E. Sopkin, 90. Adored son of the late Edna nee Weiss and Robert Sopkin.. Loving brother of Karen S. (the late Joseph) Schneider and the late Ronald Sopkin and brother-in-law of Sylvia Gillis. Uncle to Andrea (Gerald) Worthen, Paul (Wendi) Sopkin and Daniel (Stacy) Sopkin and the late Beth (the late Rodger) Olsen. Great-uncle to many. Past teacher at Taft High School for many, memorable years. Graveside Service, Thursday, 1:00 pm at Waldheim Jewish Cemetery, 1700 South Harlem Ave., Forest Park. In lieu of flowers, donations to your charity of choice would be appreciated. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel. 847.229.8822, www.cjfiinfo.com

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STACHNIK, DOLORES K.

DOLORES K. STACHNIK, devoted daughter of the late Catherine (nee Skolba) & late John Stachnik; loving sister of Virginia Stachnik & the late Frank Stachnik, late Julia (late Michael) Paniak, late Joseph Stachnik, late Walter (late Helen) Stachnik, late Edward Stachnik & late Leona (late Ted) Pierzga; dearest aunt, great aunt & great-great aunt of many. Visitation Friday May 17, 2019 at The Franciscan Village, Lemont from 10:30-11:30 a.m. with the Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 11:30 a.m. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Former Member of St. Linus Parish, St. Bruno Parish & St. Bruno Choir. Volunteer at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. Arrangements by **Zarzycki Manor Chapels, Ltd.** (708) 839.8999 or www.ZarzyckiManorChapels.com.



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Thompson, Carson E 'Tom'

92, passed away April 28, 2019. Devoted husband of 64 years to Marjean (nee McKechnie), loving father of Donald, Karen, David (Cynthia) and Kathryn. Proud grandfather of Robert and Daniel. Beloved brother of Eunice Firebaugh, uncle to many. Tom was a proud veteran of the USAAF, a mechanical engineer by trade with several patents to his name. He had a lifelong love of aviation, was a private pilot, built and flew his own plane and was an active member of the Experimental Aircraft Association. Memorial to be held on June 1, 2019 at 11am at Elmhurst Presbyterian Church, 367 Spring Rd, Elmhurst. In lieu of flowers, donations to VFW, Amvets or EAA appreciated.

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Trnka, Ralph John

Ralph John Trnka, entered eternal life peacefully on May 1, 2019, age 88, of Tinley Park, formerly of Dolton. Beloved husband of Judy Ellen Trnka nee Nething. Dear father of Christine (Paul) Engels, Cynthia (Jeffrey) Ivin. Cherished grandfather of Paul and Emma Engels and Austin and Hunter Ivin. Loving brother of Janet Trnka. U.S. Army Veteran. Graduated from IIT. Member of Beverly Ski Club and Lamplighters. Memorial visitation will be held at the Presbyterian Church in Orland Park, 13401 Wolf Rd, Orland Park, IL 60467, Saturday May 18th from 10:00 a.m. until the time of memorial service at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Presbyterian Church in Orland Park. Interment will be at Little Sister Cemetery in Door County, Wisconsin at a later date. Arrangements by **Tews-Ryan Funeral Home**, www.tews-ryanfh.com or 708-798-5300.

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Van Leuven, George L. 'Echo'

George L. "Echo" Van Leuven, age 90, of Oak Lawn, formerly of Roseland, passed away peacefully on April 25, 2019 with family by his side. George is the devoted son to the late Anne (nee Beemsterboer) and Edward Van Leuven; loving brother to the late Marie Therese Dimond, the late Edward J. (Marietta) Van Leuven, and the late Alfred Van Leuven; adored uncle to Mary (Greg) Oatis, Edward (Tina) Van Leuven Jr., Debbie (Patrick) Riley, Joanne (Mark Eenigenburg) Dimond, James Dimond, Mary (Jeff Jeffrey) Van Leuven; great-uncle to many; and dear friend to Joanne Grider. He honorably served in the United States Army. George was a projectionist for the Starlight Theater in Chicago Ridge and member of Chicago Motion Pictures Operators Union #110. He was also a member of American Legion Post #49. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Park Lawn (10833 LaPorte Ave; Oak Lawn, IL 60453. www.parklawn.com).

Visitation will be Saturday, May 18, 2019 from 10:00 am until the time of his memorial service at 12 noon at Blake Lamb Funeral Home (4727 W. 103rd Street; Oak Lawn, IL 60453). Burial will follow at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Wojdyla, Walter J.

Walter J. Wojdyla; Proud US Navy Veteran; beloved husband of Wanda, nee Antolak; loving father of Michael (Mary) and Kenneth; dearest brother of the late John Sr. (the late Marie); brother-in-law of Josephine (the late John) Wolinski, Violet (the late Leroy) O'Neil, the late Jane (the late Louis) Lechowicz, the late Frances (the late Frank) Moczulewski and the late Matthew (Mary) Antolak; cherished uncle of many. Visitation, Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m. Funeral Prayers, Friday, 9:15 a.m. at **Lawrence Funeral Home** 4800 N. Austin Ave., Chicago to St. Pascal Church, Mass 10 a.m. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donation to a veteran charity of your choice in Walter's name would be appreciated. For information 773-736-2300 or www.lawrencefh.com

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 16-125 of the Illinois Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-125), the Board of Review of Cook County has, on this date, February 13, 2019 transmitted back to the Assessor of Cook County its final action on the following township/s in Cook County for the tax year 2018:

BARRINGTON, CALLUMET, LEMONT, LYONS, NORTHFIELD, STICKNEY

Date at Chicago, Illinois by the Cook County Board of Review Room 601, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 May 10, 2019

MICHAEL CABONARGI COMMISSIONER DAN PATLAK COMMISSIONER

LARRY R. ROGERS, JR. COMMISSIONER 6284595 5/15/2019

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Date at Chicago, Illinois by the Cook County Board of Review Room 601, Cook County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 May 10, 2019.

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IN THE INTEREST OF Marcus Owens MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) Of Tiffany Owens (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01218

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, UNKNOWN (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on December 28, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Richard Stevens in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 06/05/2019, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS May 15, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO 19-RFP-15

E-LEARNING AND TALENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

Notice is hereby given that the bid opening for the above-cited contract has been changed from Friday, May 24, 2019, to Friday, May 31, 2019. Further information is included on Addendum # 1, dated May 9, 2019, which has been posted to www.mwrld.org.

Darlene A. LoCascio Director Procurement and Materials Management Chicago, Illinois Pub: 5/15/2019 6281482

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

Application Filing Period: May 3, 2019 through May 17, 2019. Examination Date: June 8, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of electrical mechanic practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, performs beginning sub-professional engineering work in connection with surveys, design, maintenance, construction, inspection, and testing to ensure conformity to plans and specifications and the reliability and integrity of existing systems and structures. Pay: \$59,237.62 per year

Engineering Technician IV (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: May 3, 2019 through May 31, 2019. Examination Date: June 22, 2019 at Northside College Preparatory High School, 5501 North Kedzie, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of Engineering Technician IV practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, performs beginning sub-professional engineering work in connection with surveys, design, maintenance, construction, inspection, and testing to ensure conformity to plans and specifications and the reliability and integrity of existing systems and structures. Pay: \$59,237.62 per year

Applications can be submitted online only at www.districtjobs.org.

Additional information may be found at www.mwrld.org or call 312-751-5100. Mailed, Emailed, Hand delivered or Faxed Applications Will Not Be Accepted. Resumes Will Not Be Accepted in Place of Application Forms. An Equal Opportunity Employer - M/F/D Pub: 5/3-5/17/2019 6265410

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All City of Naperville solicitations will be advertised on our web site: http://www.naperville.il.us/bidrfps.aspx

You are invited to review all bid or proposal requests for any upcoming projects. All projects are available for download or pick-up. Please contact the Procurement Services Team office at 630.420.6064 if you have any questions.



FORECLOSURES

F18120088 PNC IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION Deutsche Bank National Trust Company AS trustee for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-SAR Plaintiff, vs. Denise B. Sztuk aka Denise Sztuk; Gold Coast Galleria Condominium Association; Gold Coast Galleria Garage Condominium Association; John F. Cloutier aka John Francis Cloutier, as trustee of the 111 W. Maple Trust dated 10/23/2013; Unknown Beneficiaries under the 111 W. Maple Trust dated 10/23/2013; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 19 CH 1060 111 West Maple Street, Unit 1309 and 6483 Chicago, Illinois 60610 Clearly Calendar 63 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Denise B. Sztuk aka Denise Sztuk, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: PARCEL 1; UNIT NO. 1309 IN THE GOLD COAST GALLERIA CONDOMINIUM 63 AS DELINEATED ON A SURVEY OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: PARTS OF LOTS IN FAY'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 14 IN BUSHNELL'S ADDITION TO CHICAGO, IN THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; WHICH SURVEY IS ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 08139816, TOGETHER WITH ITS UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS, ALL IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PARCEL 2: UNIT NO. 483 IN THE GOLD COAST GALLERIA GARAGE CONDOMINIUM AS DELINEATED ON A SURVEY OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE: PARTS OF LOTS IN FAY'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 14 IN BUSHNELL'S ADDITION TO CHICAGO, IN THE EAST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 39 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; WHICH SURVEY IS ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 08139817, TOGETHER WITH ITS UNDIVIDED PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS, ALL IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. PARCEL 3: EASEMENTS FOR SUPPLY, ENTRY, INGRESS AND EGRESS, USE AND ENJOYMENT, FOR THE BENEFIT OF PARCELS 1 AND 2 AS CREATED BY THE GRANT AND RESERVATION OF EASEMENTS RECORDED AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 08139815. P.L.N.: 17-04-422-039-1256; 17-04-422-040-1018 Said property is commonly known as 111 West Maple Street, Unit 1309 and 6483, Chicago, Illinois 60610, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Denise B. Sztuk and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 051250179 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before May 20, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. 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CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bulls representative Horace Grant leaves the stage after the NBA draft lottery Tuesday at the Hilton Chicago. The Bulls were projected fourth but will be picking seventh in the draft.

NBA DRAFT LOTTERY

No such luck

Paxson 'disappointed' as Bulls drop 3 spots in lottery, will pick 7th in NBA draft

BY K.C. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

In lieu of lucky numbers or pingpong balls popping up through the chute of the NBA's draft-lottery machine Tuesday night, the Bulls have to hope the third time is the charm.

Dropping a full three slots, the Bulls will pick seventh for the second straight year and own draft rights to that pick for a third straight year. The Bulls selected

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Wendell Carter Jr. last year and acquired Lauri Markkanen in the 2017 draft-day trade of Jimmy Butler that started the rebuild — and these draft lottery appearances.

“You’re always disappointed,”

Bulls executive vice president of basketball operations John Paxson said of dropping from their projected fourth spot. “But there’s luck involved. We weren’t lucky. We feel we have two very good pieces that we got in the last two drafts at No. 7. We’re just going to try to keep building this thing.

“We’ve gone on our board already. And there are more than seven (players) there that we like. Now we have to get in the process of getting to see them and know

them and really dissect them. We’ll get to work now.”

The Pelicans cashed in a mere 6 percent chance to storm from the seventh seed to win the lottery and the right to draft Duke’s freakishly athletic big man Zion Williamson, who sat in a front row at the Hilton Chicago Grand Ballroom to find out his new employer.

“We’re not sure what we’re

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Rebuilding Sox have a shot in weak division



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the White Sox

Things couldn't look much worse for the White Sox.

Carlos Rodon, their designated ace, will undergo Tommy John elbow surgery and be out for a year, joining top pitching prospects Michael Kopech and Dane Dunning on the shelf.

Outfielder Eloy Jimenez, who signed a guaranteed six-year, \$43 million deal before his first major-league game, is beginning his rehab from a sprained ankle at Triple-A Charlotte after an up-and-down first 23 games.

Daniel Palka and Adam Engel, regulars in 2018, have been demoted to the minors. Ervin

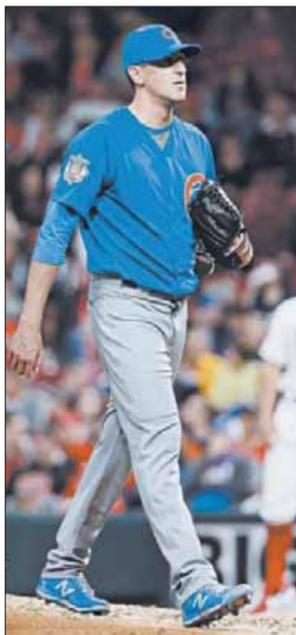
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Banuelos leaves with shoulder injury as Indians break out the heavy lumber. Page 3

Santana was mercifully released. And Wellington Castillo and Yonder Alonso have been under the Mendoza Line all season.

Yet the Sox went into Tuesday afternoon's 9-0 loss to the Indians with an air of confidence. They've managed to hang around in the American League Central despite so much adversity through the first quarter of the season, thanks in part to the mediocre start by the Indians.

“They’ve got good players,” Indians shortstop Francisco Lindor said Tuesday. “They’ve got a good team and play the game the right way. I don’t think

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JOHN MINCHILLO/AP

Kyle Hendricks leaves the game after allowing one run over eight innings against the Reds on Tuesday night to drop his ERA to 2.86.

CUBS 3, REDS 1

Hendricks does a bit of everything

Pitcher throws 8 strong innings of 3-hit ball, knocks in 2 runs

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

Jose Castillo, Max Scherzer, Stephen Strasburg and Jake Arrieta await the Cubs in the upcoming six games.

But unlike the final month of the 2018 season, the Cubs have found enough resources to overcome stingy pitching and setbacks such as Anthony Rizzo's back stiffness that could sideline him until this weekend.

Performances such as Kyle Hendricks' eight innings of three-hit ball have exemplified manager Joe Maddon's slogan of "you must pitch better to beat good pitching."

Defensive gems provided by

center fielder Albert Almora Jr. and second baseman Daniel Descalso supplemented the work of Hendricks, who smacked a two-run double with two outs in the second inning to vault the Cubs to a 3-1 victory over the Reds for their third consecutive win and their 13th triumph in their last 15 games.

“I think we’re all learning contemporary lessons with what’s going on right now,” manager Joe Maddon said of the recent run by the Cubs (25-14) after a 3-8 start.

Hendricks (3-4) retired the first 10 batters before Joey Votto hit a home run to snap his streak of 19 consecutive innings without allowing an earned run.

Hendricks didn't allow a walk until the ninth, and he lowered the starting pitchers' ERA to 2.21 in

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TOP OF THE SECOND



TEDDY GREENSTEIN

Big Ten may target NU's AD

When Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany announced his retirement in March, he left open his date of departure. He told conference officials he would be available to serve until June 30, 2020, when his term expires. But if they named his replacement sooner, he would pass the baton whenever they desire.

After all, there are birdies to be made and speeches to be delivered.

Indications are that the conference — which held its spring athletic directors meetings Monday and Tuesday in Rosemont — wants a successor in place by early summer. As in this summer. All the better to start preparing for the next round of media-rights negotiations.

Against that backdrop, here are seven thoughts on the search to replace Delany after his 30-year run:

1. The Sports Business Journal list was ... interesting.

SBJ's Michael Smith reported that the conference had identified nine initial candidates. Only four have Big Ten ties — and three of those have ties to Northwestern.

The nine, in alphabetical order:

- Katrina Adams, former CEO, United States Tennis Association
- Amy Huchthausen, commissioner, America East Conference
- Jon Litner, president, YES Network
- Burke Magnus, executive vice president, ESPN
- Beth Brooke-Marciniak, global vice chair, Ernst & Young
- Tony Petitti, deputy commissioner, Major League Baseball
- Jim Phillips, athletic director, Northwestern
- Mark Shapiro, president, Toronto Blue Jays
- Brad Traviolia, deputy commissioner, Big Ten

2. Everyone views Phillips as the favorite, including Smith.

A Tribune source lauded Phillips by saying he has “the right temperament, work ethic, relationships, intelligence and respect among peers in the industry.”

Phillips has an impeccable resume that includes transforming Northwestern's athletic department and serving on seemingly every key NCAA committee. You would have an easier time finding someone



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Northwestern athletic director Jim Phillips, right, is viewed as the favorite to succeed Jim Delany, left, as Big Ten commissioner.

to bad-mouth Javier Baez's tagging ability than Phillips' candidacy.

3. But it's no sure thing that Phillips would take the job.

Some in the industry are confident he would. Another insists he would not. Northwestern benefactor Pat Ryan sounds determined to keep him.

Phillips has said he has the best AD job in the country because of many factors, including Ryan's largess, his tight relationship with President Morton Schapiro and coaches such as Pat Fitzgerald and Chris Collins and the chance to mentor some of the nation's best and brightest 18- to 22-year-olds.

Phillips likely could double his salary past \$3 million without having to uproot his family. He has accomplished nearly everything possible at Northwestern, save for a renovation of Ryan Field that is percolating among top university officials.

Adding to Phillips' will-he-or-won't-he intrigue is that the Big Ten Council of Presidents and Chancellors tasked Schapiro to spearhead the search. Schapiro is working with Jed Hughes, the veteran Korn Ferry executive who helped recruit coach Jim Harbaugh to Michigan and Commissioner Larry Scott to the Pac-12.

4. The conference would prefer to hire someone with Big Ten ties.

Adams won an NCAA doubles title at Northwestern. Traviolia won a Big Ten title wrestling at 167 pounds for the Wildcats.

The only other candidate on Smith's list with Big Ten ties is Brooke-Marciniak, who was the first woman to be awarded a basketball scholarship at Purdue. She rose to work in the U.S. Department of the Treasury and to crack Forbes' top-100 list of the World's Most Powerful Women.

Still, most view Adams, Traviolia and Brooke-Marciniak as long shots.

5. The TV executives are intriguing.

The one knock on Phillips is that he has not negotiated a TV contract. Magnus, Litner and Petitti obviously have.

Petitti, who holds degrees from Haverford College and Harvard Law School, oversaw daily operations at CBS Sports before joining MLB Network and becoming deputy commissioner under Rob Manfred.

Litner, an alumnus of Cornell and Yale Law School, was the chief operating officer of the NHL before returning to the TV world as president of the YES Network in New York. Delany is said to be fond of Litner, but Delany also has said he will not be involved in choosing his successor.

Magnus also has worked intimately with Delany during his tenure as ESPN's executive VP for programming and scheduling. He joined ESPN in 1995 after earning degrees from Holy Cross and UMass.

6. The Mark Shapiro on the list is not the one Delany sparred with at ESPN.

The media executive Mark Shapiro created ESPN's “SportsCentury” series and low-balled Delany during negotiations, prompting him to create the Big Ten Network.

The baseball executive Mark Shapiro is president of the Blue Jays, a role he previously had with the Indians. He played football at Princeton.

7. Two possible candidates not on the SBJ list are ...

Joe Castiglione and Eric Kaler. Castiglione is a 1979 Maryland graduate who is well-respected for his 21-year tenure as athletic director at Oklahoma. Kaler is the president of the University of Minnesota and chaired the NCAA's Division I Board of Directors.

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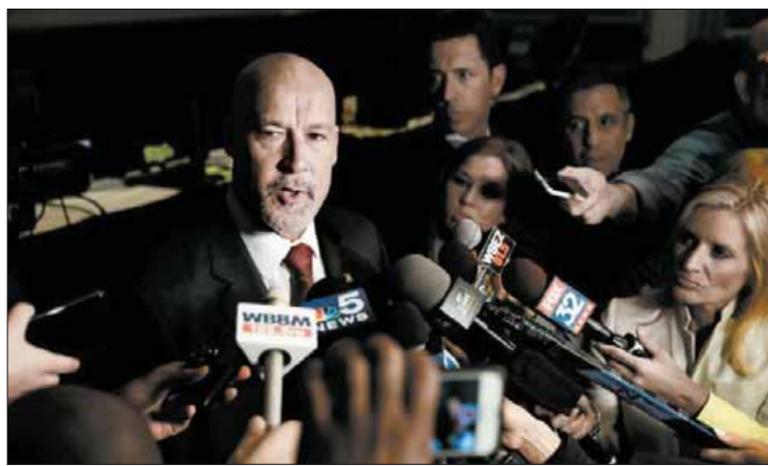
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ASK THE REPORTER

BRAD BIGGS

Do you see the Bears signing any veteran pass rushers now that it won't impact their comp picks? If yes, who?
— @mellothunder

This has been a consistent question throughout the offseason, even after the team re-signed veteran outside linebacker Aaron Lynch, and I'm a little puzzled why. The Bears tied for third in the league with 50 sacks last season. Only three of those 50 sacks were by players no longer on the team: Nickel cornerback Bryce Callahan had two and strong safety Adrian Amos had one. With Khalil Mack being paid as one of the top edge rushers in the game and with investments elsewhere when it comes to rushing the passer, I think the Bears are OK here. I can't see them spending a lot of money for another player to add to the mix.



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

John Paxson discusses the Bulls' landing the seventh pick in the upcoming NBA draft.

Bulls slip to 7th in draft

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going to do,” Pelicans coach Alvin Gentry deadpanned in a locked-down hotel backroom where the lottery actually took place before the picks were revealed on a TV special. “But he's definitely in play.”

Gentry's reaction when the pingpong ball combination of 7-4-12-13 hit was priceless. He shouted a profanity as he raised his arms, then apologized as he walked around the lottery backroom, slapping hands with representatives from other teams. Nevertheless, he kept his cool enough not to mention Williamson by name, which is a no-no.

The Grizzlies jumped from No. 8 to No. 2, and the Lakers moved from 11 to 4. Only the Knicks, who shared a 14 percent chance to earn the top pick with the Suns and Cavaliers, stayed in the top four. The Knicks landed third.

In short, the league's first year of draft-lottery reform to discourage tanking worked.

“From a league perspective, they have to be thrilled at how it played out,” Paxson said. “They did (lottery reform) for a lot of different reasons. They don't want teams to throw in the towel 20 games into a season. Tonight showed what they envisioned probably held true. I had a funny feeling something odd was going to happen. And it did.”

The Bulls entered with a 16.8 percent chance to fall to seventh, where point guards like North Carolina's Coby White or Vanderbilt's Darius Garland or Duke wing Cam Reddish could be available. That is, if the Bulls don't try to package the pick with someone like Kris Dunn to try to upgrade the point guard position.

Like many teams, the Bulls use tiers to break down drafts. And while Paxson wouldn't reveal in which tier No. 7 falls, he did concede that dropping there could bring into play drafting more based on

need than selecting the best player available. Paxson is on record as saying he wants to upgrade at point guard.

“If you're looking at comparable guys in a tier, sometimes need takes precedent over that. I've talked to our entire group about keeping a real open mind about things like that this year,” Paxson said. “We made a trade at the deadline last February for Otto Porter. We feel at the 2-3-4-5 spot, we're really solid. And I'm confident we'll find a player in this draft that fits us.”

“Only one team can get that young man (Williamson) tonight. And it's New Orleans. Good for them. My mind immediately went to the fact that three of the top four are going out West and New York didn't get No. 1. So that's something in our favor.”

Horace Grant, the Bulls' representative on stage, grimaced, and an audible groan could be heard in the ballroom when deputy commissioner Mark Tatum opened the envelope revealing the Bulls at No. 7. Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf, President Michael Reinsdorf and coach Jim Boylen watched from the crowd. Joey Reinsdorf, Michael's son and Jerry's grandson, represented the team in the lottery backroom.

“You always come into a situation like this hoping. We got lucky years ago,” Paxson said, alluding to when the Bulls cashed in a 1.7 percent chance in 2008 to draft Derrick Rose. “But we're confident we will get a player we can add. Obviously in this draft there's a generational type of guy. And New Orleans is better off for it. But this is about building a team.”

“I stay committed, along with my staff, to get this right. We're going to add another good player in this draft. We're going to spend some money in free agency where we add some vets who help our team. Get over the disappointment quickly because you have a lot of work to do.”

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Sox have shot in Central

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they're ready yet, but they're definitely pretty good. They compete. It's fun to play against them.”

The not-ready-yet Sox are three games under .500 and entered Tuesday ranked sixth in the majors in hitting but near the bottom in pitching (28th) and fielding (29th).

At this point of the rebuild, all you can ask is for the Sox to compete. If they finish .500, it would be a minor miracle considering all the early starting pitching problems.

Then again, when you see Lucas Giolito starting to climb the ladder and Reynaldo Lopez on the rise, when you watch Tim Anderson and Yoan Moncada growing up before our eyes and Jose Abreu having the kind of “walk year” free agents dream of, you can't help but wonder if a few changes here or there could turn the Sox from mere competitors to actual contenders in this division.

The first-place Twins have been the surprise team in the AL, but upon closer scrutiny, they're beating up on teams they should beat up on, going a combined 12-2 against the rebuilding Orioles, Tigers and Royals and 13-13 against everyone else. They may be the team to beat in the division but only by default.

So how does the Central look to Sox manager Rick Renteria?

“You've got a couple clubs that are going through some changes, but they're still major-league clubs, guys going out there every single day trying to beat you,” Renteria said. “It doesn't matter where one might think (the division is) in terms of the strength or weakness of a particular club. I can only concern myself with where we're at and the things we're doing.”

“At the end of the season, everybody will decide what they thought the strength or weakness was of the league. I just concern myself with today.”

OK, never mind.

How about general manager Rick Hahn? Does he see this division as vulnerable?

“We view it as a division that's going to be interesting throughout the summer,” Hahn told MLB Network. “Our role in that is sort of to be determined.”

Hahn is the one who will determine that. He already has shown with the demotions of Palka and Engel and the release of Santana that no one is promised a job if he's not performing, rebuild or not. But he hasn't brought up Dylan Cease, who could fit into the rotation like a glove, or looked at signing free-agent pitchers Dallas Keuchel or Craig Kimbrel. That suggests he doesn't think the Sox realistically can contend this year, which makes sense based on the makeup of the current roster and where the rebuild stands.

But who knows what could happen in July if the Sox are still hanging around?



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Tim Anderson, sliding into second base Tuesday with his 13th stolen base of the season, has been one of the bright spots for a White Sox team hit hard by adversity.

They have yet to play the Twins and won't see them until a May 24-26 series in Minneapolis.

The three-time defending champion Indians were supposed to run away with the division, but they've faced adversity as well with the early ankle injury to Lindor, the division's best player, and the recent losses of starting pitchers Corey Kluber (broken arm) and Mike Clevinger (shoulder). They were 28th in hitting (.219) entering Tuesday and tied for 26th in runs scored (141), and it's not that early anymore.

“We're fine,” Lindor said. “It's May. We've still got about 115 games. After the All-Star break, teams get better or get worse. We're just happy to stay in the bunch, continue to compete day after day, and we're going to find a way to be successful. It's just a matter of having quality at-bats.”

In all likelihood, the Twins and Indians will separate themselves from the AL Central rebuilders, and the Sox can play without the pressure of having to actually, you know, win games. Jimenez will return soon and Cease will be called up and Hahn can continue to focus on developing the youngsters instead of making moves to keep them in contention.

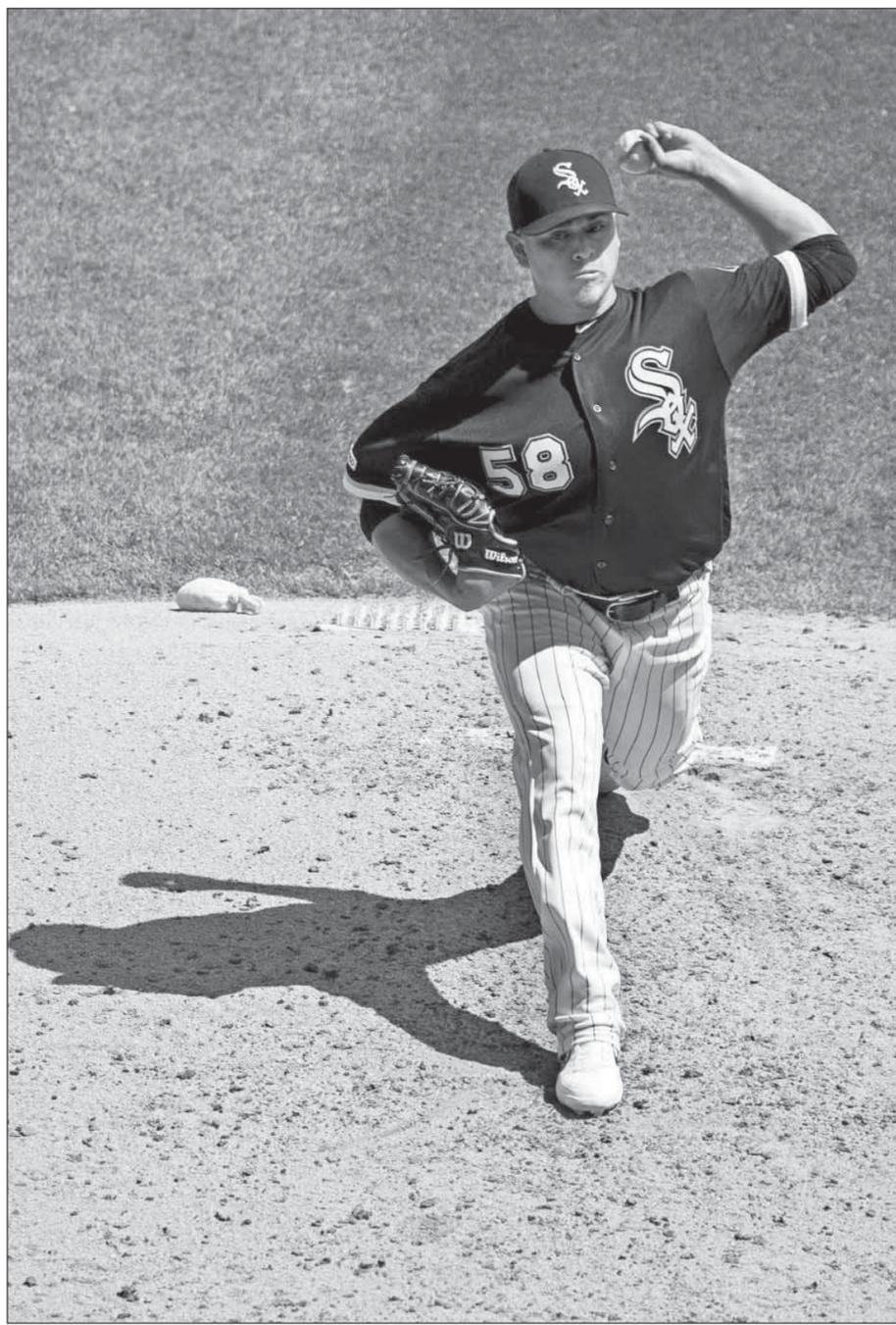
But outfielder Charlie Tilson, recently called up from Charlotte, said the clubhouse has a confidence that seems to be growing.

“I've only been here a week, and the best advice I've gotten is to treat every day as a new mission,” Tilson said. “That's been what's working best for me, and that's how we kind of look at it collectively as a team. Hopefully as we continue along, we'll look up and we'll have an opportunity (to contend).”

They're not ready yet, as Lindor said. But they're getting a little closer.

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WHITE SOX



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Manny Banuelos throws in the fourth inning of Tuesday's loss. He left injured after two batters in the fifth.

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Doubly painful

Banuelos gives up 3 homers before straining shoulder

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

Until Tuesday, circumstances had favored Manny Banuelos' bid to remain in the White Sox rotation.

The Sox lost Carlos Rodon for the season to Tommy John elbow surgery, the Ervin Santana experiment was a bust and the team refuses to rush hot prospect Dylan Cease.

But the events surrounding Banuelos' latest outing might force the Sox to get creative.

The struggling left-hander left Tuesday's start with a strained shoulder after giving up three home runs in four innings of a 9-0 loss to the Indians, his third straight defeat despite giving up a season-low four hits as a starter.

After the game, trainers evaluated Banuelos after an initial determination of shoulder soreness and a team spokesman said Banuelos would be re-evaluated Wednesday.

"He was just moving it, shaking his arm around a lot," manager Rick Renteria said after the game. "Something didn't seem right. ... He said he felt something, just some soreness there, so we took him out."

Renteria said he couldn't speculate on whether Banuelos

would miss his next scheduled start Monday against the Astros.

Banuelos' first two innings were uneventful before his meltdown started in the third.

He gave up five runs on four hits and three walks, and the bullpen allowed four runs in five innings as the Indians earned a split of the two-game series at Guaranteed Rate Field.

"He got some pitches out over the plate," Renteria said. "Mislocated. Another thing that he and Coop (pitching coach Don Cooper) had been talking about; just commanding, locating, executing."

Banuelos has allowed eight home runs and 19 runs over just 11 innings in his last three starts. His ERA swelled to 7.26.

The Sox are helped by an off day Wednesday. Their rotation is set for the home series against Blue Jays, but, if Banuelos is hurt long term, they would need another starter before beginning a road series against the Astros.

Are they hard-pressed enough to give Carson Fulmer another shot? Fulmer has been working as a reliever at Triple-A Charlotte. In his last two appearances, he has given up three runs and three walks in three innings.

Double-A Birmingham left-hander Kyle Kubat could be a candidate. He saw his scoreless streak ended at 37 2/3 innings Monday.

A rebuilding team trading assets for pitching doesn't make much sense unless it's a bargain-

basement deal. The South Siders have more problems than keeping pitchers healthy.

Tuesday's game against the Indians followed the theme of Thursday's in Cleveland: Carlos Carrasco keeping Sox hitters under control while Jordan Luplow lights up Sox pitching.

Last week Carrasco gave up just two hits and struck out six while Luplow homered twice against Banuelos.

On Tuesday, Luplow had his second two-homer game — that's three in his career and, yes, two of them have come against the Sox — launching a Banuelos sinker in the fourth inning and tagging Josh Osich's 2-1 cutter in the sixth.

Osich coughed up another homer to Jose Ramirez in the next at-bat, the first time the light-hitting Indians have hit back-to-back home runs this season.

White Sox relievers gave up four runs after Banuelos' exit, though one was unearned because of an error by Ryan Cordell in right field.

Entering Tuesday, Sox relievers had the fifth most runs allowed per game (5.22) in baseball, according to baseball-reference.com.

For a team that doesn't always know who its next starter will be, the bullpen's shakiness is worrisome.

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Break timely for battered Sox

Rare day off provides time to heal for team battling several injuries

BY PHIL THOMPSON
Chicago Tribune

The White Sox entered Tuesday riding a three-game winning streak. After a 9-0 letdown against the Indians, their third shutout loss of the season, Wednesday's off day couldn't come soon enough.

The Sox are 7-8 so far in their stretch of 33 games over 33 days between May 1 and June 2, and they left Tuesday's game showing signs of wear.

Carlos Rodon is due for season-ending Tommy John surgery this week and Manny Banuelos

exited in the fifth inning of a Tuesday's game with a shoulder strain. Reliever Nate Jones is also lost for the season after undergoing flexor mass surgery on his right arm.

Lucas Giolito has been dominant since returning this month from a hamstring strain.

"It's tough, but that's part of the game," catcher James McCann said about the Sox's pitching injuries. "Every team goes through it. You look at teams that stay healthy, a lot of times they're playoff teams. They can count on five, six guys throughout the course of a season."

"But that's just — I don't want to say luck — it's just part of the game. People going down with injuries."

Manager Rick Renteria said

position players are hurting, too.

"They're all barking a little bit but that goes with playing so many games in a row and the last cherry on top is playing on turf. It beats you up a little bit."

Renteria gave Yoan Moncada a day off Tuesday and said Tim Anderson's legs have been feeling "a little ginger."

"He should be fine," Renteria said. "I talked to him to see if he could get him back-to-back and he said, 'I'm taking care of myself through it. You look at teams that stay healthy, a lot of times they're playoff teams. They can count on five, six guys throughout the course of a season.'"

"But that's just — I don't want to say luck — it's just part of the game. People going down with injuries."

The Sox host the Blue Jays for a four-game series before heading to Houston for another four-game set against the Astros.

CUBS

CUBS NOTES

Maddon foresees breakout by Darvish

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

Manager Joe Maddon believes the Cubs will be rewarded for their patience with pitcher Yu Darvish.

Should Darvish pitch well Wednesday night against the Reds, that could set up a show-down Monday against the Phillies and former Cub Jake Arrieta.

Maddon went as far as to say that Darvish, who walked six in his last start Thursday against the Marlins, could ascend as quickly as Arrieta did after he joined the Cubs in a 2013 trade with the Orioles.

"(Darvish) is too good," Maddon said. "There will be that mentally epiphany, or whatever you want to call it. It's going to happen."

"I know he's going to take off, then you'll see that incredible run he's going to be on. I'm not just saying that."

But Darvish hastaxed the patience of Cubs fans. Darvish is 3-6 with a 5.17 ERA in 16 starts with the Cubs, and he missed the final four months of 2018 because of an elbow injury.

Arrieta, who went 68-31 with a 2.73 ERA in 4½ seasons with the Cubs, is 14-14 with a 3.92 ERA in 39 starts with the Phillies. Darvish has a better strikeouts per nine innings rate (10.8) than Arrieta (7.3) since joining the Cubs, but his walk rate (6.3) has infuriated Cubs fans.

The Cubs never reached any common negotiating ground with Arrieta and shifted their sights toward Darvish after the 2017 season.

Status quo: President Theo Epstein and Maddon reiterated that Javier Baez is firmly entrenched at shortstop, in response to a radio report that suggested that Addison Russell eventually would regain his old position and Baez would move around the infield.

"As we talked about a week or two ago, it makes sense to give (Baez) some reliability knowing he's going to be in the lineup every day playing shortstop," Epstein said.

Said Maddon: "For right now, nothing is going to change what you're seeing."

Maddon added that Daniel Descalso, Russell and David Bote will continue to rotate at second base, with Russell getting a start at short if Baez receives a rest or is taken out of a blowout game.

Ben Zobrist remains out indefinitely.

Maddon has stayed in contact with Zobrist through text messages but reiterated the switch-hitting infielder remains on the restricted list while he attends to a family matter.

Meanwhile, catcher Victor Caratini (left hamate bone) is close to rejoining the team as he concludes a minor-league rehab assignment at Triple-A Iowa.

Closer Brandon Morrow (right elbow) could resume a throwing program in Arizona within a week. Reliever Tony Barnette (right shoulder) is scheduled to pitch one inning Wednesday in extended spring training, where infield prospect Nico Hoerner (left hand) will start a hitting program.

Pitcher Adbert Alzolay (left lat strain) will pitch Friday for Iowa.



JOHN MINCHILLO/AP

Relief pitcher Steve Cishek celebrates with catcher Willson Contreras after the final out of the Cubs' victory Tuesday night.

All-around performance

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their last 28 games.

After relieving Hendricks in the ninth, Kyle Ryan induced Votto to hit a shallow fly to left, and Steve Cishek earned his third save.

"This is the baseball we were expecting to play," Hendricks said after pitching at least eight innings for the third consecutive start and collecting the first three-hit game of his career. "(The season) did start early. The focus was there early. A couple things just didn't go our way, and we stuck with the mindset and going pitch-to-pitch and just focusing on the 'W' that day. We've done a good job with that. The lineup is grinding out at-bats and grinding down the opposing pitcher."

In the second, Descalso astutely dropped a bunt toward third base for a hit with two outs, and Almora followed with a single to set up Hendricks' drive well over the head of center fielder Nick Senzel.

With one out in the fifth, Almora leaped in front of the 387-foot sign in left-center field to rob Derek Dietrich of an extra-base hit. That play loomed large as Jose Iglesias and Tanner Roark followed with hits.

With two on, Descalso made a diving stop toward second but initially didn't get a firm grip to toss to second. But he remained calm while recovering in time to throw to first, where Kris Bryant made a clean scoop of a one-hop throw to retire Tucker Barnhart for the final out.

Bryant, who extended his streak of reaching base safely to 23 consecutive games with an infield hit in the first, hit a double in the fifth and scored on a sacrifice fly by Willson Contreras.

Before the game, Cubs Presi-

dent Theo Epstein didn't make any declarations but was pleased with the manner in which the Cubs have recovered after their miserable start.

"There's real focus each day on doing what's necessary to put our best foot forward and try to win," Epstein said. "That's something the players get credit, and Joe and the coaching staff. It has to come together, and then you have to find a way to maintain it all year long through the ups and downs, especially this year given the small margin for error that every National League club's going to have."

"We didn't get out of the starting blocks the way we wanted to, but we found our stride. Now, it's a matter of maintaining it."

Facing Castillo (1.76 ERA) on Thursday, three-time NL Cy Young Award winner Scherzer and three-time NL All-Star Strasburg in Washington this weekend and former teammate and 2015 NL Cy Young Award winner Arrieta present more challenges the Cubs accept.

"It doesn't matter who is going out there against us," Kyle Schwarber said. "If we keep putting in the way we know we can in our at-bats, good things are going to happen. I don't think we're fazed by names."

Rizzo also was encouraged with the strides made since the first 11 games.

"To bounce back after that start ...," Rizzo said. "Day in and day out, we're in a position to win a game. It's a credit to our pitching staff, first and foremost, and our bullpen. Our position players are scoring runs and giving us a chance to win games."

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BASEBALL

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Tampa Bay	25	15	.625	—	—	6-4	W-1	12-10	13-5
New York	24	16	.600	1	—	7-2	W-1	13-9	11-7
Boston	22	20	.524	4 ½	—	8-3	L-1	11-8	11-12
Toronto	16	24	.400	9	5½	2-8	L-2	8-13	8-11
Baltimore	14	26	.350	11	7½	4-6	W-1	6-15	8-11
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	26	15	.634	—	—	6-4	W-1	14-8	12-7
Cleveland	22	19	.537	4	—	4-6	W-1	11-7	11-12
Chicago	19	22	.463	7	3	5-5	L-1	9-11	10-11
Detroit	18	22	.450	7½	3½	4-6	L-2	9-10	9-12
Kansas City	14	27	.341	12	8	3-7	L-2	9-13	5-14
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	28	15	.651	—	—	9-1	W-7	16-4	12-11
Seattle	21	23	.477	7½	2½	3-7	W-1	8-11	13-12
Los Angeles	20	22	.476	7½	2½	5-5	L-1	11-9	9-13
Texas	17	21	.447	8½	3½	3-7	L-4	12-7	5-14
Oakland	19	24	.442	9	4	5-5	L-2	14-10	5-14

Late games noted below

WEDNESDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2019	2018 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
PHI Archer (R)	1-2 4.33 1-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 16.0 5.63
ARI Greinke (R)	2:40p 5-1 3.16 6-3	1-1 10.2 4.22	1-0 20.2 2.18
Chi Darvish (R)	2-3 5.40 4-4	1-0 6.0 1.50	1-0 14.0 4.50
Cin Gray (R)	5:40p 0-4 4.15 2-6	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-1 14.1 5.02
NY Font (R)	1-0 5.50 0-1	0-0 2.0 0.00	0-0 4.0 4.50
Was Corbin (L)	3-1 3.20 5-3	0-1 11.1 5.56	1-1 18.0 4.50
Mil Gonzalez (L)	1-0 1.69 2-1	1-0 15.0 5.40	1-0 16.0 1.69
PHI Arrieta (R)	6:05p 4-3 3.78 4-4	0-2 8.2 8.31	1-1 16.0 6.19
StL Wacha (R)	3-0 5.35 4-3	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-0 15.2 6.32
Atl Soroka (R)	6:20p 3-1 1.21 3-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-0 19.0 0.95
SD Strahm (L)	1-2 3.00 4-3	0-0 6.0 1.50	1-0 18.1 2.95
LA Maeda (R)	9:10p 4-2 4.03 4-4	2-0 17.1 4.15	1-0 17.0 2.12
AMERICAN LEAGUE	2019	2018 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
LA Cahill (R)	2-3 6.35 3-5	0-2 8.1 8.64	1-1 13.1 8.10
Min Odorizzi (R)	12:10p 5-2 2.32 5-3	0-0 0.0 0.00	3-0 20.0 0.00
Bal Hess (R)	1-4 5.50 2-5	0-0 5.0 3.60	0-1 13.1 5.40
NY Happ (L)	2:05p 2-3 4.36 5-3	3-0 29.0 1.55	2-1 17.2 2.04
Bal Cashner (R)	4-1 4.25 5-3	1-2 25.1 4.26	1-0 17.0 3.18
NY German (R)	5:05p 7-1 2.70 6-1	0-0 2.2 10.13	0-0 17.2 4.08
Hou Verlander (R)	6-1 2.51 7-2	1-1 13.0 4.85	2-1 19.1 2.33
Det TBD	6:10p — — —	— — —	— — —
Tex Minor (L)	3-3 2.68 3-5	1-0 6.0 0.00	1-1 20.0 1.80
KC Lopez (R)	7:15p 0-4 6.07 1-7	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 13.0 9.69
INTERLEAGUE	2019	2018 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
TB TBD	— — —	— — —	— — —
Mia Urena (R)	6:10p 1-5 4.82 1-7	0-0 5.0 0.00	0-2 20.0 3.60
Col Marquez (R)	4-2 3.43 7-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 18.2 5.30
Bos Rodriguez (L)	6:10p 4-2 4.53 6-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-0 17.2 2.55

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
 Cleveland 9, Chicago White Sox 0
 Tampa Bay 4, Miami 0
 Houston 11, Detroit 4
 Colorado 5, Boston 4 (11)
 Minnesota 4, L.A. Angels 3
 Texas at Kansas City, late
 Toronto at San Francisco, late
 Oakland at Seattle, late
 Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, p.p.d.
THURSDAY'S GAMES
 Oakland at Detroit, 12:10 p.m.
 Texas at Kansas City, 12:15 p.m.
 Baltimore at Cleveland, 5:10 p.m.
 Toronto at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
 Minnesota at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.
MONDAY'S RESULTS
 Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, p.p.d.
 Houston 8, Detroit 1
 L.A. Angels 5, Minnesota 4
 Chicago White Sox 5, Cleveland 2
 Seattle 6, Oakland 5 (10)

June 3: Amateur draft starts, Secaucus, N.J.

BOX SCORES

INDIANS 9, WHITE SOX 0

CLEVELAND	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Lindor ss	5	0	0	0	1	.279
Kipnis 2b	5	1	2	1	2	.209
Santana dh	4	1	1	1	1	.271
Luplow rf	5	2	2	3	2	.280
Ramirez 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.195
Castellanos lf	4	0	0	0	0	.000
Baers 1b	2	1	1	0	0	.246
R.Perez c	3	2	1	1	2	.235
Martin cf	4	0	1	0	0	.221
TOTALS	35	9	11	8	12	
CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Tilson cf	4	0	1	0	1	.363
Delmonico lf	4	0	1	0	3	.212
Abreu dh	4	0	1	0	1	.268
Alonso 1b	4	0	2	0	1	.182
McCann c	4	0	0	0	1	.366
Anderson ss	4	0	1	0	1	.320
Rondon 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.226
Sanchez 2b	3	0	0	0	0	.234
Cordell rf	3	0	1	0	0	.236
TOTALS	34	0	7	0	9	

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E: Ramirez (5), Cordell (1). **LOB:** Cleveland 4; Chicago 7. **HR:** Kipnis (7), HR: R.Perez (5), off Banuelos; Luplow (3), off Banuelos; Baers (4), off Banuelos; Luplow (4), off Oshik; Ramirez (4), off Oshik. **RBIs:** Kipnis (6), Santana (2), Luplow (3), Ramirez (12), Baers (4), R.Perez (12). **SB:** Anderson (13). **CS:** Baers (2). **Runners left in scoring position:** Cleveland 2 (Lindor 2); Chicago 4 (Alonso, McCann, Rondon, Sanchez). **RISP:** Cleveland 3 for 7; Chicago 0 for 5. **Runners moved up:** Martin, Lindor, Anderson. **GIDP:** Santana, McCann. **DP:** Cleveland 1 (Lindor, Kipnis, Baers); Chicago 1 (Rondon, Sanchez, Alonso).
CLEVELAND IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Carrasco, W, 4-3 7 6 0 0 0 6 4.18
 O.Perez ½ 1 0 0 0 2 5.00
 Otero ½ 0 0 0 0 2 2.86
 Cole 1 0 0 0 0 1 3.70
CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Banuelos, L, 2-3 4 4 5 5 3 5 7.26
 Minaya 1½ 5 3 3 0 1 5.27
 Fry 2 0 0 0 0 3 2.08
 Oshik 1½ 0 0 0 0 3 5.23
 Brantley pitched to 2 batters in the 5th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Otero 10, Minaya 1-0, Fry 2-0. **HBP:** Minaya (M Drake). **Umpires:** H, Tim Timmons; 1B, Rob Drake; 2B, Mike Muchlinski; 3B, Mike Winters. **Time:** 3:05. **A:** 18,823 (40,615).

CARDINALS 14, BRAVES 3

ST. LOUIS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Carpenter 3b	5	1	1	1	0	.261
Goldschmidt 1b	4	1	1	0	2	.209
DeJong ss	3	2	1	0	0	.321
Ozuna lf	4	2	1	3	1	.237
Martinez rf	4	0	0	0	1	.336
Gallegos p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Munoz lf	1	1	1	0	0	.387
Molina c	4	1	2	1	1	.283
Winters c	2	0	0	0	1	.316
Fowler cf-rf	3	3	2	1	0	.305
Wong 2b	5	2	3	2	0	.246
Flaherty p	3	1	1	1	0	.143
c-Bader ph-cf	0	0	0	0	0	.208
TOTALS	39	14	14	13	6	
ATLANTA	AB	R	H	BI	SO	ERA
Acuna Jr. lf-cf	3	0	0	1	2	.273
Swanson ss	3	0	0	1	0	.262
Freeman 1b	2	0	0	0	2	.304
b-Joyce ph	1	0	0	0	1	.275
Parsons p	1	0	0	0	1	.290
Donaldson 3b	2	1	0	0	1	.285
Markakis rf	2	1	0	0	1	.295
Albies 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.263
McCann c	4	1	1	0	0	.308
Inciarte cf	0	0	0	0	0	.218
Camargo lf	3	1	1	0	1	.444
a-Culberson ph-1b	2	0	1	1	0	.233
TOTALS	27	3	3	3	11	

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a-struck out for Biddle in the 5th, b-struck out for Freeman in the 5th, c-singled for Flaherty in the 7th. **LOB:** St. Louis 5, Atlanta 5. **HR:** Carpenter (7), Molina (12), HR: Ozuna (12), off Folynevicz; Fowler (2), off Folynevicz; Molina (4), off Folynevicz; Wong (5), off Venters. **RBIs:** Carpenter (10), Ozuna 3 (37), Martinez (20), Molina 3 (30), Fowler (11), Wong 3 (22), Flaherty (1), Acuna Jr. (24), Swanson (2), Culberson (8). **SB:** Swanson, S. Folynevicz.
ST. LOUIS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Flaherty, W, 4-3 6 3 3 3 5 6 4.34
 Gallegos 1 0 0 0 0 2 4.50
 Leone 1 0 0 0 0 2 7.78
 Gregerson 1 0 0 0 0 1 5.40
ATLANTA IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Folynevicz, L, 0-3 7 8 8 3 4 8.40
 Biddle ¼ 4 3 3 1 0 4 6.02
 Parsons 3 1 0 0 2 2 3.28
 Venters 1 2 3 3 1 0 20.25
WP: Biddle. **Time:** 3:00. **A:** 23,718 (41,149).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
 Chicago Cubs 3, Cincinnati 1
 N.Y. Mets 6, Washington 2
 Tampa Bay 4, Miami 0
 Milwaukee 6, Philadelphia 1
 St. Louis 14, Atlanta 3
 Colorado 5, Boston 4 (11)
 Pittsburgh at Arizona, late
 Toronto at San Francisco, late
 San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, late
THURSDAY'S GAMES
 Milw. at Philadelphia, 12:05 p.m.
 N.Y. Mets at Washington, 12:05 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati, 5:40 p.m.
 St. Louis at Atlanta, 6:20 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.
MONDAY'S RESULTS
 Philadelphia 7, Milwaukee 4
 Arizona 9, Pittsburgh 3

Mark Reynolds, whose fifth-inning double was the first runner allowed by

CUBS 3, REDS 1

CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Heyward rf	4	1	0	0	1	.250
Bryant 1b	5	0	0	2	0	.270
Baez ss	5	0	2	0	0	.325
Contreras c	3	0	1	1	1	.305
Schwarber lf	4	0	0	0	2	.221
Winkler pf	4	0	0	1	1	.248
Descalso 2b	4	1	1	0	2	.332
Russell 2b	0	0	0	0	0	.125
Almora Jr. cf	4	1	1	0	0	.245
Lorenzen p	4	0	0	0	1	.311
Cishek p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	37	3	11	3	11	
CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Senzel cf	3	0	0	0	1	.217
Votto 1b	4	1	1	0	0	.207
Suarez 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.252
Winker lf	4	0	0	1	1	.219
Puig rf	3	0	0	1	1	.312
Dietrich 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.233
Iglesias ss	3	0	1	0	0	.289
Chick p	1	0	0	0	0	.143
a-VanMeter ph	1	0	1	0	0	.154
Hughes p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Peralta p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
b-Farmer ph	1	0	0	0	0	.143
Lorenzen p	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Barnhart c	3	0	0	0	0	.167
TOTALS	30	1	3	1	7	

Chicago 020 010 000 — 3 11 0
 Cincinnati 000 100 000 — 1 3 0
 a-struck out for Roark in the 5th, b-struck out for Peralta in the 8th. **LOB:** Chicago 5, Cincinnati 3. **HR:** Bryant (12), Hendricks (1), HR: Votto (4), off Hendricks. **RBIs:** Contreras (25), Hendricks 2 (2), Votto (8), SP: Contreras. **Runners left in scoring position:** Chicago 4 (Bryant, Baez, Contreras 2), Cincinnati 0 for 1. **RISP:** Chicago 2 for 6; Cincinnati 0 for 1. **Runners moved up:** Baez.
CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Hendricks, W, 3-4 8 3 1 1 7 2.86
 Ryan, H, 4 ½ 1 0 0 0 3.95
 Cishek, S, 3-4 ½ 0 0 0 0 2.75
CINCINNATI IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Roark, L, 3-2 5 8 3 3 1 6 3.50
 Hughes 2 1 0 0 0 1 3.70
 Peralta 1 0 0 0 0 3 3.14
 Lorenzen 1 2 0 0 0 1 1.64
 Hendricks

SCOREBOARD

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL		
NATIONAL LEAGUE	WEDNESDAY	
at Arizona	-147	Pittsburgh +137
at Cincinnati	-110	Chicago +100
at Phila.	-128	Milwaukee +118
at Washington	-160	New York +150
at Atlanta	-140	St. Louis +130
at LA Dodgers	-146	San Diego +136
AMERICAN LEAGUE		
WEDNESDAY		
at Minnesota	-128	LA Angels +118
at NY Yankees	-254	Baltimore +224
at NY Yankees	Off	Baltimore Off
at Detroit	Off	Houston Off
Texas	-120	at Kansas City +110
INTERLEAGUE		
WEDNESDAY		
at San Fran.	Off	Toronto Off
at Miami	Off	Tampa Bay Off
at Boston	-140	Colorado +130

NBA		
WEDNESDAY		
pregame.com	6	
at Milwaukee	Toronto	

NHL		
WEDNESDAY		
at St. Louis	-140	San Jose +130

GOLF

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Thursday-Friday tee times at Bethpage State Park (Black Course); Farmingdale, N.Y.; 7,459 yards; par: 70
First hole-10th hole

5:45 a.m.-11:10 a.m.: Rob Labritz; Beau Hossler; J.J. Spaun.
5:56 a.m.-11:21 a.m.: Sam Burns; Jeffrey Schmid; Keith Mitchell.
6:07 a.m.-11:32 a.m.: Byeong Hun An; Jason Caron; Andrew Putnam.
6:18 a.m.-11:43 a.m.: John O'Leary; Harold Varner III; Kyle Stanley.
6:29 a.m.-11:54 a.m.: Ricky Werenski; Mike Lorenzo-Verá; Justin Harding.
6:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m.: Vijay Singh; Jason Dufner; Jimmy Walker.
6:51 a.m.-12:16 p.m.: Graeme McDowell; Chez Reavie; Brendan Jones.
7:02 a.m.-12:27 p.m.: Tyrrell Hatton; Russell Knox; Haotong Li, China.
7:13 a.m.-12:38 p.m.: Lee Westwood; Shaun Norris; Charles Howell III.
7:24 a.m.-12:49 p.m.: J.B. Holmes; Lucas Bjerregaard; Troy Merritt.
7:35 a.m.-1 p.m.: Joost Luiten; Brian Mackey; Matt Wallace.
7:46 a.m.-1:11 p.m.: Casey Russell; Luke List; Abraham Ancer.

7:57 a.m.-1:22 p.m.: Craig Bowden; Adam Long; Joaquin Niemann.
11:10 a.m.-5:45 a.m.: Danny Lee; Michael Thompson; Justin Bertisch.
11:21 a.m.-5:56 a.m.: Cameron Champ; Rich Berberian Jr.; Lucas Glover.
11:32 a.m.-6:07 a.m.: Emiliano Grillo; Daniel Berger; Paul Casey.
11:43 a.m.-6:18 a.m.: Tony Finau; Billy Horschel; Ian Poulter.
11:54 a.m.-6:29 a.m.: Matt Fitzpatrick; Rafa Cabrera-Bello; Gary Woodland.
12:05 p.m.-6:40 a.m.: PKeegan Bradley; Padraig Harrington; Martin Kaymer.
12:16 p.m.-6:51 a.m.: Jon Rahm; Dustin Johnson; Jordan Spieth.
12:27 p.m.-7:02 a.m.: Pat Perez; Kevin Kisner; Bryson DeChambeau.
12:38 p.m.-7:13 a.m.: Rory McIlroy; Phil Mickelson; Jason Day.
12:49 p.m.-7:24 a.m.: Satoshi Kodaira; Matt Kuchar; Cameron Smith.
1 p.m.-7:35 a.m.: Corey Conners; Jim Furyk; Marc Leishman.
1:11 p.m.-7:46 a.m.: Jorge Campillo; Stuart Deane; Chesson Hadley.
1:22 p.m.-7:57 a.m.: Dylan Frittelli; Andrew Filbert; Kurt Kitayama.
10th hole-First hole

5:45 a.m.-11:10 a.m.: Ben Cook; Scott Piercy; Brian Gay.
5:56 a.m.-11:21 a.m.: Thomas Pieters; Patton Kizzire; Adam Hadwin.
6:07 a.m.-11:32 a.m.: Brandt Snedeker; Kiradech Aphibarnrat; Max Homa.
6:18 a.m.-11:43 a.m.: Henrik Stenson; David Lipsky; Richard Sterne.
6:29 a.m.-11:54 a.m.: Shane Lowry; Erik Van Rooyen; Tommy Fleetwood.
6:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m.: Sergio Garcia; Kelly Kraft; Adam Scott.
6:51 a.m.-12:16 p.m.: Charley Hoffman; Louis Oosthuizen; Patrick Reed.
7:02 a.m.-12:27 p.m.: Rickie Fowler; Bubba Watson; Justin Rose.
7:13 a.m.-12:38 p.m.: Xander Schauffele; Hideki Matsuyama; Alex Noren.
7:24 a.m.-12:49 p.m.: Brooks Koepka; Francesco Molinari; Tiger Woods.
7:35 a.m.-1 p.m.: Aaron Wise; Ryan Fox; Shugo Imahira.
7:46 a.m.-1:11 p.m.: Julian Suri; Marty Jertson; Martin Trainer.
7:57 a.m.-1:22 p.m.: Lucas Herbert; Cory Schneider; Sungjae Im.
11:10 a.m.-5:45 a.m.: Ryan Vermeir; Adrian Otaegui; Jason Kokrak.
11:21 a.m.-5:56 a.m.: Alex Bjork; Rod Perry; Ross Fisher.
11:32 a.m.-6:07 a.m.: Eddie Pepperell; Brandon Grace; Ryan Palmer.
11:43 a.m.-6:18 a.m.: Ryan Moore; Joel Dahmen; Thorbjorn Olesen.
11:54 a.m.-6:29 a.m.: Y.E. Yang; Rich Beem; John Daly.
12:05 p.m.-6:40 a.m.: Steve Stricker; Brian Harman; Patrick Cantlay.
12:16 p.m.-6:51 a.m.: Sung Kang; Shaun Michael; Alex Beach.
12:27 p.m.-7:02 a.m.: C.T. Pan; Kevin Na; Ryan Armour.
12:38 p.m.-7:13 a.m.: Danny Willett; Webb Simpson; Zach Johnson.
12:49 p.m.-7:24 a.m.: Kevin Tway; Brandon Stone; Bronson Burgoon.
1 p.m.-7:35 a.m.: Si Woo Kim; Danny Balin; Tom Lewis.
1:11 p.m.-7:46 a.m.: Michael Kim; Jazz Janewattananond; Tyler Hall.
1:22 p.m.-7:57 a.m.: Mikko Korhonen; Craig Hocknall; Jhonattan Vegas.

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER						
EASTERN						
	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	7	3	2	23	23	12
D.C. United	7	3	2	23	17	11
Montreal	6	5	2	19	17	19
N.Y. City FC	4	1	6	18	15	12
Atlanta	5	3	2	17	12	8
Toronto FC	5	4	1	16	22	17
Columbus	5	7	1	16	12	18
Chicago	4	4	4	16	19	13
N.Y. Red Bulls	4	5	2	14	16	14
Orlando City	3	5	3	12	13	17
Cincinnati	3	7	2	11	10	18
New England	3	8	2	11	14	31

WESTERN						
	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	8	1	3	27	29	8
LA Galaxy	7	4	1	22	18	16
Seattle	6	1	4	22	20	13
Houston	6	2	1	19	17	10
FC Dallas	5	4	2	17	16	14
Minnesota	4	4	3	15	19	18
Real Salt Lake	4	7	1	13	15	21
Vancouver	3	5	3	12	11	14
San Jose	3	6	2	11	14	22
Portland	3	6	1	10	13	21
Sporting KC	2	3	4	10	19	18
Colorado	0	9	2	2	16	30

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
D.C. United at Toronto FC, 7 p.m.
Portland at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Orlando City at Seattle, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAME
FC Dallas at Los Angeles FC, 9 p.m.

NWSL						
CLUB						
	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Houston	3	1	1	10	6	6
Utah	3	1	0	9	4	2
Chicago	2	1	0	8	11	7
North Carolina	2	1	2	8	11	5
Portland	2	0	2	8	11	6
Washington	2	1	1	7	5	3
Reign FC	0	1	3	2	2	5
Sky Blue FC	0	3	2	4	8	13
Orlando	0	5	1	1	1	13

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Sky Blue FC at Reign FC, 3 p.m.
Portland at Washington, 6 p.m.
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Utah at North Carolina, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Houston, 5 p.m.

U.S. WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM
Thursday: vs. New Zealand; friendly in St. Louis, 7 p.m.
May 26: vs. Mexico; friendly in Harrison, N.J., 10:30 a.m.
FIFA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP, FRANCE June 11: vs. Thailand, 2 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

EASTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

Milwaukee vs. Toronto
Wednesday: at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Friday: at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday: at Toronto, 6 p.m.
May 21: at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
x-May 23: at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
x-May 25: at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
x-May 27: at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

Golden State 1, Portland 0
Tuesday: Golden State 116-94
Thursday: at Golden State, 8 p.m.
Saturday: at Portland, 8 p.m.
Monday: at Portland, 8 p.m.
x-May 22: at Golden State, 8 p.m.
x-May 24: at Portland, 8 p.m.
x-May 26: at Golden State, 8 p.m.
(Best-of-7; if necessary)

NBA DRAFT ORDER

Thursday, June 20 at Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y.

First Round	Second Round
1. New Orleans	31. Brooklyn
2. Memphis	32/33. Phoenix
3. New York	34/33. Philadelphia
4. L.A. Lakers	34. Philadelphia
5. Cleveland	35. Atlanta
6. Phoenix	36. Washington
7. Chicago	37/38/39. Dallas
8. Atlanta	37/38/39. Chicago
9. Washington	37/38/39. New Orleans
10. Atlanta	40. Sacramento
11. Minnesota	41. Atlanta
12. Charlotte	42/43/44. Phila.
13. Miami	42/43/44. Minn.
14. Boston	42/43/44. Atlanta
15. Detroit	45. Detroit
16. Orlando	46. Orlando
17. Brooklyn	47. Sacramento
18. Indiana	48. L.A. Clippers
19. San Antonio	49. San Antonio
20. Boston	50. Indiana
21. Oklahoma City	51. Boston
22. Boston	52. Charlotte
23. Utah	53. Utah
24. d-Philadelphia	54. Philadelphia
25. Portland	55. New York
26. Cleveland	56. L.A. Clippers
27. Brooklyn	57. New Orleans
28. Golden State	58. Golden State
29. San Antonio	59. Toronto
30. Milwaukee	60. Sacramento

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WNBA PRESEASON

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Indiana 69, Chicago 58
Atlanta 92, New York 87
Dallas 71, Connecticut 67

WEDNESDAY'S GAME

Phoenix at Seattle, 9 p.m.

NHL PLAYOFFS

EASTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

Boston 3, Carolina 0
May 9: Boston 5-2
May 12: Boston 6-2
Tuesday: Boston 2-1
Thursday: at Carolina, 7 p.m.
x-Saturday: at Boston, 6:15 p.m.
x-Monday: at Carolina, 7 p.m.
x-May 22: at Boston, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

San Jose 1, St. Louis 1
May 11: San Jose 6-3
May 13: St. Louis 4-2
Wednesday: at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Friday: at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Sunday: at San Jose, 2 p.m.
x-May 21: at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
x-May 23: at San Jose, 8 p.m.
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

BRUINS 2, HURRICANES 1

Boston, 0 -2,0 -2
Carolina, 0 -1,0 -1

FIRST PERIOD: No scoring. **Penalties:** Carlo, BOS, (delay of game), 0:55; Krug, BOS, (roughing), 6:23; Williams, CAR, (roughing), 6:23; Williams, BOS, (holding stick), 10:41; DeBrusk, BOS, (slashing), 11:26; Krejci, BOS, (high sticking), 11:32; Coyle, BOS, (roughing), 14:19; Krug, BOS, (roughing), 14:19; Maenalana, CAR, (slashing), 14:19; Williams, CAR, (elbowing), 18:27.
SECOND PERIOD: 1. Boston, Wagner 3 (Nordstrom, Kuraly), 1:21. 2. Boston, Marchand 7 (McAvoy, Krejci), 6:28 (pp). 3. Carolina, de Haan 2 (Aho, Faulk), 13:48. **Penalties:** Niederreiter, CAR, (high sticking), 4:47; Ferland, CAR, (high sticking), 9:53.
THIRD PERIOD: No scoring. **Penalties:** de Haan, CAR, (tripping), 3:43; Grzelczyk, BOS, (interference), 5:38.
SHOTS ON GOAL: Boston 6-18-7-31. Carolina 20-6-10-36.
POWER PLAYS: Boston 1-of-5, Carolina 0-of-5. **GOALIES:** Boston, Rask 12-5 (36 shots-35 saves). Carolina, McElhinney 3-2 (31-29). A: 18,768.

TENNIS

INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA

At Foro Italico; Rome; clay-outdoor

MEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES
Matteo Berrettini d.
#4 Alexander Zverev, 7-5, 7-5.
#9 Marin Cilic d.
Andreas Basso, 6-1, 7-5.
#11 Karen Khachanov d.
Roberto Bautista Agut, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.
Nick Kyrgios d.
#12 Daniil Medvedev, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.
#13 Borna Coric d.
Cameron Norrie, 6-2, 6-2.
#14 Nikoloz Basilashvili d.
Laslo Djere, 7-5, 6-4.
David Goffin d.
Stan Wawrinka, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2.
Taylor Fritz d.
Guido Pella, 6-3, 6-4.
Radu Albot d.
Benoit Paire, 6-3, 6-2.
Jeremy Chardy d.
Richard Gasquet, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.
Diego Schwartzman d.
Yoshihito Nishioka, 6-1, 6-4.
Joao Sousa d.
Frances Tiafoe, 6-3, 6-7 (3), 7-6 (4).
Jan-Lennard Struff d.
Grigor Dimitrov, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-3.
WOMEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES
#4 Karolina Pliskova d.
Ajla Tomljanovic, 6-3, 6-3.
Victoria Azarenka d.
#5 Elina Svitolina, 4-6, 6-1, 7-5.
#8 Ashleigh Barty d.
Viktoria Kuznetsov, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Alize Cornet d.
#9 Aryna Sabalenka, 6-1, 6-4.
Venus Williams d.
#10 Serena Williams, walkover.
Danielle Collins d.
#11 Caroline Wozniacki, 7-6 (5) retired.
Belinda Bencic d.
#12 Anastasija Sevastova, 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.
#16 Julia Goerges d.
Hsieh Su-wei, 6-3, 6-4.
Maria Sakkari d.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, 6-1, 7-5.
Daria Kasatkina d.
Irina-Camela Begu, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Carla Suarez Navarro d.
Dayana Yastremska, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.
Marketa Vondrousova d.
Barbora Strycova, 1-6, 6-4, 7-6 (4).
Kristina Mladenovic d.
Caroline Garcia, 6-1, 6-2.
Mihaela Buzarnescu d.
Jelena Ostapenko, 6-2, 5-4 retired.

CYCLING

GIRO D'ITALIA

Tuesday's leaders: Fourth Stage at Frascati, Italy

A 146-mile, hilly ride from Orbetello to Frascati

1. Richard Carapaz, Ecuador, Movistar, 5:58:17.
2. Caleb Ewan, Australia, Lotto Soudal, same time.
3. Diego Ulissi, Italy, UAE Team Emirates, same time.
4. Pascal Ackermann, Germany, Bora-Hansgrohe, :02 behind.
5. Florian Senechal, France, Deceuninck-QuickStep, same time.



BEN MARGOT/AP

Stephen Curry shoots against the Trail Blazers' Maurice Harkless during the Warriors' 116-94 victory in Game 1 of the Western Conference finals Tuesday.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Long ball: Warriors ride Curry's 3s in win

Associated Press

Stephen Curry made nine 3-pointers and scored 36 points, and the Warriors beat the Trail Blazers 116-94 on Tuesday night in Game 1 of the Western Conference finals while playing without injured star Kevin Durant once again.

Curry shot 12-for-23 in his fourth 30-point performance this postseason, finding far more open looks than he had in the last round against the Rockets. The two-time NBA MVP outplayed the Blazers duo of Damian Lillard and CJ McCollum, who combined to go 11-for-31 facing a strong Warriors defense.

Klay Thompson had 26 points, including a late one-handed slam. Draymond Green established the energy on both ends early for the well-rested two-time defending league champions and finished with 12 points, 10 rebounds, five assists, three blocks and two steals.

Lillard scored 19 points back home in Oakland, just miles away from where he grew up. McCollum had 17.

Similar looks: There's a one-name superstar on either side: Giannis and Kawhi.

There's a Bucks franchise that hasn't been to the NBA Finals in 45 years, opposite a Raptors franchise that has never been to the title round.

The Bucks have a coach with an economics degree who wasn't there

NBA LOTTERY

Pelicans land No. 1 pick, first dibs at Williamson

Grizzlies, Knicks, Lakers round out top 4 of draft

Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Pelicans bucked the odds and won the NBA draft lottery, and now will have the first chance at choosing Zion Williamson next month.

The Pelicans won the lottery for the first time since 2012, when they selected Anthony Davis. And the lottery win comes after a season when Davis wanted a trade — something that might not seem so appealing to him now, not with Williamson likely coming to New Orleans.

The Grizzlies will choose second, the Knicks third and the Lakers will pick fourth. Williamson said he has never been to New Orleans. That might soon change.

"This just jump-starts the process," new Pelicans executive vice president of basketball operations David Griffin said. "It'll be harder for me to mess it up than it would have been before this."

The Pelicans were the biggest winners — and the Grizzlies and Lakers had reason to celebrate as well. They all moved up, much to the chagrin of teams like the Knicks, Cavaliers and Suns. The Suns, Cavs and Knicks all had the best chance of winning the lottery, and neither even got as much as a No. 2 pick.

last year; the Raptors have a coach with an accounting degree who wasn't the boss last year.

Similarities abound between the Bucks and Raptors.

Over the next couple of weeks, one team will separate itself.

The top-seeded Bucks play host to the second-seeded Raptors on Wednesday night in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference finals.

They had the best records in the NBA this season — the Bucks went 60-22, the Raptors 58-24 — and one will have home-court advantage for the NBA Finals starting May 30.

"You can't get caught up in people's expectations," Raptors star Kawhi Leonard said Tuesday. "You've got to worry about self-expectations, team expectations, and winning, and that's what we have to focus on. It doesn't matter about the one-on-one match-up. This game isn't a one-on-one basketball game."

Leonard made the shot that sent the Raptors to the conference final, a buzzer-beating corner jumper over Joel Embiid that bounced on the rim four times before dropping.

The Bucks were impressed. They weren't rattled. The team with the best regular-season record also has the best record in these playoffs so far at 8-1, and confidence isn't in short supply. The Bucks' only blemish in these playoffs is a Game 1 loss at home against the Celtics in the second round.

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

Bruins take 6th straight, grab 3-0 lead

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Chris Wagner and Brad Marchand scored 5:07 apart in the second period, and the Bruins beat the Hurricanes 2-1 on Tuesday night to take a 3-0 lead in the Eastern Conference finals.

Tuukka Rask stopped 35 shots for the Bruins, who have won six straight postseason games for the first time since 1978. They're one victory away from their third Stanley Cup Final appearance in nine years.

The Bruins will go for the sweep Thursday night.

Calvin de Haan scored and Curtis McElhinney made 29 saves for the Hurricanes while starting in place of Petr Mrazek, who allowed 10 goals in the first two games of the series.

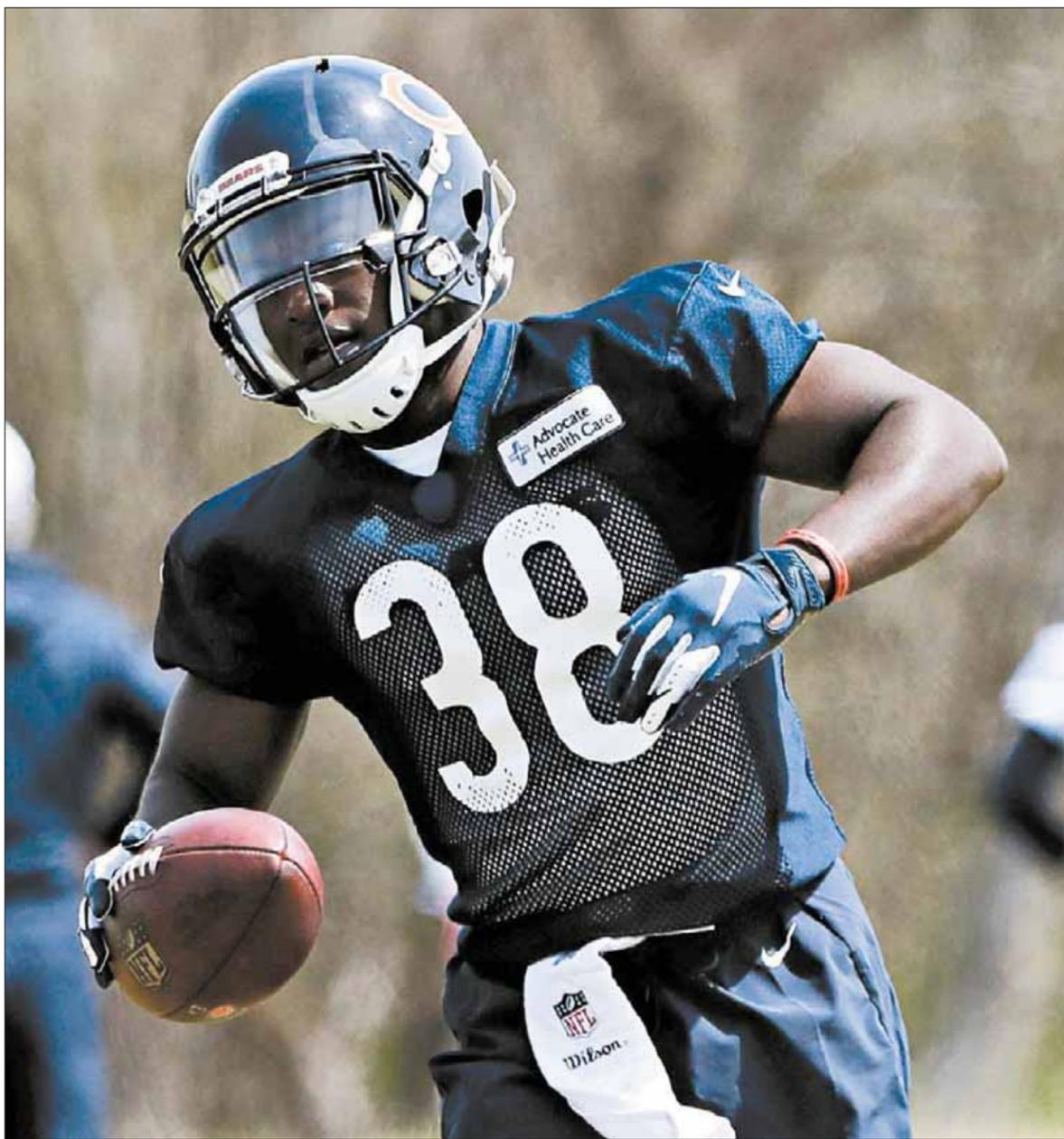
But it wasn't enough to keep alive the Hurricanes' postseason perfection at home — where a pig named Hamilton looks on from behind the corner boards.

Now they're in an unenviable spot. Only four teams in NHL history have ever rallied to win a series they trailed 3-0, and none since the Kings in 2014 — though Hurricanes captain Justin Williams was on that Kings team that rallied to beat the Sharks in the first round.

This one got away from them in the first 7½ minutes of the second, when the Bruins claimed control with their fourth line turning a turnover by the Hurricanes' Brock McGinn into a 1-0 lead at 1:21.

Sean Kuraly collected the puck and passed low to Joakim Nordstrom, with the former Hurricane then finding Wagner alone in front for a tap-in.

BEARS



NAM Y. HUH/AP

Bears running back Kerrith Whyte, who ran a 4.38-second 40-yard dash at Florida Atlantic's pro day, is noted for his speed and maturity.

He'll be a fast study

Speed, maturity hallmarks of rookie RB Whyte — who could turn into a big factor on special teams

BY DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

The fifth in a series of conversations with a college coach of each Bears draft pick.

Kerrith Whyte made his decision a while back, long before his junior season at Florida Atlantic began. For Whyte, the push to make 2018 his final year in an Owls uniform was guided by a gut feeling and his faith.

Never mind that Whyte had to accept a role as FAU's No. 2 running back last season behind star Devin Singletary. Never mind that he had yet to turn in an attention-grabbing junior year in which he averaged 6.5 yards per carry. Never mind that Whyte didn't receive an invitation to the NFL scouting combine or that a return to Boca Raton for his senior season would have given him a featured spot in the Owls offense.

Shortly after Florida Atlantic finished its 2017 season in the Boca Raton Bowl, Whyte accelerated the timeline for his NFL arrival and didn't look back.

"I woke up with a feeling over my heart saying it's time to go," he said. "I didn't want to believe it. I was kind of confused. So I sat there and prayed about it continuously and God showed me the answer. ... It was the feeling God put over my heart."

Whyte is now in a Bears uniform, drafted in the sixth round and working to carve out a niche in the backfield and on special teams. The Bears were attracted to his electric speed — he ran a 4.38-second 40-yard dash at FAU's pro day in March — and see his potential to become a playmaker with the right role.

"His speed just jumps out when you're watching the tape," general manager Ryan Pace said.

So what will Whyte have to do to use that speed at the next level? What are his strengths as a player? The Tribune recently reached out to Lane Kiffin, head coach at Florida Atlantic, to learn more about Whyte's skill set and makeup. Here are the highlights from that Q&A:

When you first got around Kerrith and had the chance to see him on the field, what were the things that made an impression on you?

Initially, it was his speed that jumped out. You could tell, obviously, that he had breakaway speed right away. But more than that, between his sophomore and junior years, he changed a lot. He became one of our strongest players in the weight room and really went from a specialty player as a sophomore into something more. And had it not been for backing up Devin Singletary, I think he would have put up some unbelievable numbers. It was just that he was behind one of the most productive college running backs there's ever been.

Any reason you can put your finger on why that change occurred between his sophomore and junior years?

He just really bought into our strength program and became a weight-room

warrior. Whereas before he had been much more of a speed guy. Now he became speed and power. Our strength coach said at one point that pound-for-pound Kerrith was the strongest player on our team.

Obviously accepting that secondary role behind Devin wasn't easy. That takes patience, and some kids might not have been able to handle that. What were your impressions of how he was able to accept his niche knowing what was ahead of him on the depth chart?

He did a great job. He never complained. At all. And he easily could have. I think Kerrith led our conference in average (yards) per carry. He had a lot of explosive plays for us and did a lot of the jet sweeps and other stuff for us that were counted as receptions that would have given him an even higher average per carry. It's very unique nowadays for kids like that (to stay patient). Most of these kids would have transferred like they all do now. But Kerrith is a special kid.

What was your reaction to his decision to leave school early and that thought process? He told us that he made that decision well before last season even started, that he was going to play one more year and then test the NFL draft.

I was very surprised. We met a lot and talked a lot about it. I didn't think he should go, just because of exactly what happened (last season). Here's a guy where, had he come back, he would have become our starter and gotten all that attention. He didn't get to go to the combine, and had he gone to the combine, they said he would have had the best running back numbers at the entire combine. But his was a different deal. It wasn't about, hey, OK, come back and be a featured guy and get drafted higher. It was just different. He had already graduated. He redshirted also and had been here a long time, so a lot of his buddies were gone. And he just said, "Hey, I want to see if I can make it in the NFL." It was unusual. They don't usually think it through like that. But Kerrith is a little bit different. And also, he has his life after football (planned). He's very mature and he's going to do very well whenever football is over.

What was most notable about the way his natural speed translates to the football field and how you were able to get that to show up?

You could really see it right away, especially in special teams at practice. He was really fast but not just a track guy who could just run straight. He could stop and start. So it was obvious there. And he had the first kickoff-return touchdown two years ago in the history of the school. You could really see it there because he's covering more ground than you think. When you watched it again on replay, he was really pulling away from people.

What's your sense for how he'll have to learn the nuances of the next level to make certain he can keep that elite strength as an asset? Matt Nagy has talked about the Bears having to learn

how to harness his speed and Kerrith learning to use it properly.

I think he'll be fine there. He's done it already. It's not like he was just a returner who was only a specialty offensive player that we had to teach to play (offense). I mean, this guy had games where he carried the ball a lot for us. He caught the ball out of the backfield and he was great on special teams as well.

What does he do well on special teams, outside of returning kicks? Carving out a niche in coverage and finding other things to do on special teams is going to be a huge key in his bid for a spot on the 53-man roster.

That's where he'll be really good. He will. He can tackle well. As you know, a lot of times you get these offensive players who are returners, but they can't do anything in the coverage game. Kerrith will be on all four core special teams. That's a plus.

Do you see any limitations in his game or areas he's going to have to either really work on or work around to be reliable at the NFL level?

Pass protection. With the bigger players on that level, that'll be more of a challenge. And being the backup here, it's not like he got a million reps on film of that. So that's going to be something he'll have to work at if they're going to want to use him on third down especially.

How would you describe Kerrith as a receiver?

Really good. We even flexed him out — a lot more in practice but some in games too. He can play slot receiver for you as well as do all the motion running back stuff for you. He's fluid there for sure.

Were there any signature moments you point to and say, "That's what Kerrith is all about?"

It's probably the kickoff-return touchdown two years ago against Louisiana Tech. It wasn't blocked perfectly. There was a guy right there, but he hit the guy, spun off and ... pulled away from everybody. A lot of the kids on that team were really fast. But Kerrith was faster. That was a pretty defining moment. That broke the game open for us, and it wasn't just, hey, here's this speed guy where everything was blocked well and he outran everybody. He hit that guy in the hole, spun off him and then restarted. You don't usually have to do that, where you restart your speed and score on kickoff returns. Because they collapse on you pretty quick. That's just how it is.

Lastly, what will you remember most about Kerrith personality-wise and what should the folks in Chicago realize about the kind of person the Bears are getting?

He's a super quiet kid. But you can't take that as distant or that he's not a leader. He's just a really, really quiet kid. Cerebral. Very strong Christian kid. So you have to make sure you don't take that the wrong way. But he's very mature and he knows that football will eventually come to an end. He already graduated here and always took his academics seriously, took his relationships with people very seriously. Very mature.

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GOLF

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Confidence comes easy to Koepka

Defending champ expects to 'hang around,' contend

BY BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

FARMINGDALE, N.Y. — Tiger Woods spent a half-hour answering all sorts of questions at a packed news conference Tuesday. As he walked out, so did more than half of the media members who gathered to hear his every word.

Brooks Koepka then immediately entered the room. Koepka is the titleholder of the PGA Championship and has won the last two U.S. Opens. To use a phrase familiar in these parts of Long Island, he's not exactly chopped liver.

That's the way it goes for one of the favorites at long and, for now, very wet Bethpage Black.

Not that Koepka cares much about the attention, at least not until folks are cheering for the guy lifting the Wanamaker Trophy. Just the way they did last June about 60 miles east of Bethpage when he outlasted everyone at Shinnecock Hills for his second straight U.S. Open victory. He's trying to join Woods as the only back-to-back winners of the PGA Championship in stroke play; Woods did it twice.

"It's always nice to defend, but being in New York, I've got good memories," Koepka said. "It's a fun place to play in front of the fans. They're all energetic, and you come back and you've got good feelings this week and just kind of hopefully you ride that momentum."

No one has more momentum in the big tournaments, not even Woods, who dramatically won his 15th major at Augusta National in April. Koepka was right there challenging Woods for the green jacket.

"I get Tiger was back, so it's a little bit different," Koepka said of where the focus went at the Masters — and always will go with Woods around. "You know, a lot of the attention was going to be there. But some of it was a little bit manufactured on myself. But I think you've got to find a chip or you've got to find something to motivate yourself and give you that extra little something going into a tournament or going into an event, whatever it might be, to really want to push you over that line."

In fact, Koepka has said for a while that getting over that line in majors is easier than winning regular PGA Tour events, of which he has only two. His reasoning reveals a level of confidence that only the elite of their sport own.

"The easiest way I can break it down is there's 156 in the field, so you figure at least 80 of them I'm just going to beat," he explained. "From there, the other, you figure about half of them won't play well, so you're down to about maybe 35. And then from 35, some of them just, pressure is going to get to them. It only leaves you with a few more, and you've just got to beat those guys."

"If you just hang around — I think one of the big things that I've learned over the last few years is you don't need to win it, you don't have to try to go win it. Just hang around. If you hang around, good things are going to happen."

Good things such as contending at the Masters, where a tee shot into the water at the 12th hole when the wind changed might have kept him from beating Woods. And at the British Open, where he already has two top-10 finishes.

At 29, Koepka envisions winning both of those at some point in his itinerant career that began on the European Challenge Tour.

And plenty more majors.

"I've got a number. I don't see why you can't get to double digits," Koepka said. "I think you keep doing what you're supposed to do, you play good, you peak at the right times."

"I think sometimes the majors are the easiest ones to win. Half the people shoot themselves out of it, and mentally I know I can beat most of them, and then from there it's those left. Who's going to play good and who can win? I don't see any reason it can't get to double digits."

To get to four major trophies on his resume, Brooks will need to contend with the reinvigorated Woods, and with British Open champion Francesco Molinari. They will be grouped together for the first two rounds.



STUART FRANKLIN/GETTY

Three-time major winner and defending champ Brooks Koepka says "sometimes the majors are the easiest ones to win."

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

As Beilein arrives, Cavs need non-LeBron identity

BY BEN GOLLIVER
The Washington Post

For 16 years, the Cleveland Cavaliers have had one of two identities: the team that LeBron James led, or the team that LeBron James left.

The disparate fortunes in those two states has been stark, with James representing the difference between success and hopelessness, relevance and irrelevance. In 11 seasons with James, the Cavaliers won an average of 51 games, made the NBA Finals five times, and claimed the only title in franchise history. In the five seasons without him since he entered the league in 2003, they have averaged 23 wins and have never come close to the playoff hunt.

Cleveland's task this summer is straightforward but grueling: to step out from James' shadow once and for all and to construct an organization that can win consistently without him. To that end, owner Dan Gilbert has taken the bold and unusual step of tabbing a high-profile college coach, Michigan's John Beilein, to oversee what surely will be an extended rebuilding process.

For years, NBA teams have collectively adopted an insular approach to coaching hires. The Boston Celtics' successful poaching of Brad Stevens from Butler University is the obvious exception, but most current NBA coaches are former NBA players, former NBA head coaches or former NBA assistant coaches.

This tendency owes to fundamental differences between the two levels of play: In college, the games are shorter, the shot clock is longer and coaches wield the power. The NBA is governed by its superstars, and coaches are largely expected to manage egos and set a culture, rather than motivate or educate.

Unlike Stevens, the 66-year-old Beilein is not a rising prodigy who seemed destined to eventually arrive at the NBA. The coaching lifer began in the high school ranks in the mid-1970s before gradually working his way up to the Division I level. Beilein has spent the past 12 years at Michigan, where he twice led the school to the Final Four, compiled a 278-150 (.650) record, and won numerous Coach of the Year awards.

When Beilein arrived at Michigan in 2007, he inherited a prestigious but underperforming program that still hadn't found its footing after damaging recruiting scandals in the 1990s.

Beilein had the Wolverines



John Beilein, seen here during Michigan's appearance in last season's NCAA Tournament, takes over as coach of a Cavaliers team in dire need of stepping out of the shadow of now-departed superstar LeBron James.



Cavs owner Dan Gilbert on Beilein: "John is one of the most accomplished and innovative basketball minds and leaders in the game."

back in the NCAA Tournament by his second season, and he spent the next decade churning out pro prospects and cultivating modern offenses that made full use of the 3-point shot. Along the way, Beilein solidified his reputation as a thoughtful tactician with integrity.

Considering that background, it's no wonder that Gilbert, a vocal Michigan State supporter who has

pursued Spartans coach Tom Izzo in the past, broke with tradition to hire Beilein.

The Cavaliers have had eight coaches in the last 15 years, most of whom were primarily judged by their relationship with James. Beilein stands free from that baggage, with a proven track record to boot.

After a dismal 19-win season in which it fired coach Tyrone Lue

after six games and initially struggled to reach an interim agreement with Larry Drew, Cleveland interviewed several NBA assistants in recent weeks. Beilein's hiring on a five-year contract, then, represents a bet that the coach's personality and leadership attributes eventually will trump his lack of familiarity with the NBA game and environment.

"John is a great human being," Gilbert said in a statement Monday. "He cares deeply about his players and others who work for him and around him. He is a tireless worker who obsesses about finding better ways and the inches that will help his team and the organization grow. John is a brilliant basketball mind and a winner."

While unconventional, hiring Beilein is entirely reasonable. Cleveland was aimless without James, opening the season with internal hopes of making the playoffs before losing All-Star forward Kevin Love to injury and finishing with one of the league's three worst records.

The emergence of rookie guard Collin Sexton down the stretch was a bright spot, but this was a sobering campaign. The Cavaliers lack talent, depth, chemistry, experience and just about anything else that's needed to win big in the NBA, including a desirable market to entice free agents. This job is a heavy lift.

Many franchises in these cir-

cumstances, unable to lure top NBA coaching talent, resort to hiring up-and-coming NBA assistants with no previous head coaching experience. But look no further than the Phoenix Suns, who have cycled through Earl Watson and Igor Kokoskov, to see the challenges of culture-building with an untested rookie on the bench.

Cleveland's experience in coping with James' 2010 departure for the Miami Heat likely colored its search too. Despite hiring Byron Scott and Mike Brown, both of whom had NBA head coaching experience, and landing Kyrie Irving with the top pick in 2011, the Cavaliers endured locker room drama while making four straight lottery trips before James' 2014 return.

With top current NBA head coaches having no reason to consider Cleveland, experienced former coaches offering no guarantee of success, and inexperienced assistants requiring a learning curve that might never pay dividends, why not take a chance on Beilein?

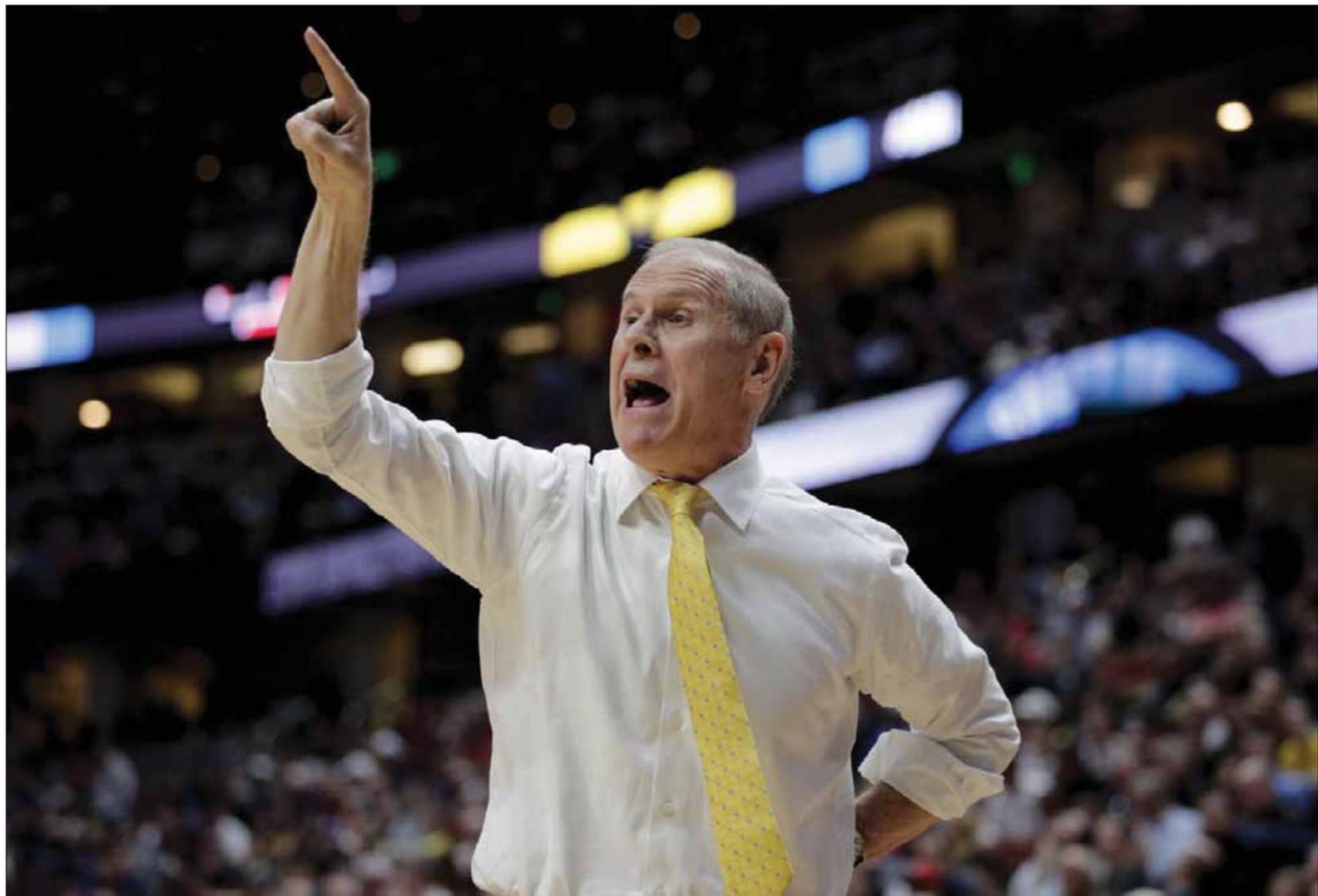
"John is one of the most accomplished and innovative basketball minds and leaders in the game," Cavaliers general manager Koby Altman said in a statement. "He has a unique ability to create an outstanding culture that will promote the development of young players and provide a solid structure to the entire program."

Make no mistake, Cleveland's culture needs work. Gilbert has been impulsive and heavy-handed, dispensing with coaches and GMs at a moment's notice. Coach David Blatt was hired and then fired in less than two years, with James famously upstaging him over a last-second play call during the 2015 playoffs. GM David Griffin was surprisingly let go in 2017, setting the stage for Irving's franchise-altering trade request and James' departure to the Los Angeles Lakers one year later.

Many of those decisions and departures can be traced back to James in one way or another: Gilbert often was trying to placate his star or was forced to deal with the unintended consequences of James' presence.

Going forward, though, James won't be around to solve the Cavaliers' problems or to absorb a portion of the blame for their shortcomings.

As they enter a new era, the Cavaliers must shed their dysfunctional tendencies and learn to stand on their own two feet. Beilein should help on both counts.



JAE C. HONG/AP

As Beilein arrives, the Cavs lack talent, depth, chemistry, experience and just about anything else that's needed to win big in the NBA, including a desirable market to entice free agents.

eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE

After job in trailer park, Bucks GM in driver's seat

BY CANDACE BUCKNER

The Washington Post

Just over a decade before the Bucks made him one of the youngest general managers in the NBA in 2017, Jon Horst worked as a superintendent at a trailer park in Rochester, Mich., putting up scaffolding, pouring concrete and one summer painting the entire clubhouse.

The worst part for the then-22-year-old student-athlete? Move-out day.

"They get evicted, and you've got to go, like, clean out their place," Horst recalled in a recent phone interview. "(I've) seen stuff that you can't imagine ... just cleaning out someone's trailer."

Though Horst, 36, no longer has to get his hands dirty in his job, his fingerprints are all over the Bucks' stellar season. On Wednesday, Milwaukee opens its Eastern Conference finals series against the Raptors at Fiserv Forum with a roster led by MVP front-runner Giannis Antetokounmpo but fortified by the general manager's deliberate moves.

Horst, who has emerged as a strong candidate for executive of the year, vividly remembers his path to the top of basketball operations for the league's best regular-season team.

"Excuse my language, but I've literally shoveled (expletive) to get here," said Horst, one of the NBA's few millennial general managers (only the Raptors' Bobby Webster, at 34, is younger; the average known age of current NBA GMs is 47). "Not many people have done that, but I literally have."

Horst played basketball at Rochester College, a small liberal arts school about 70 miles south of his family's farm in Sandusky, Mich. After his freshman year, he knew if he wanted to commit to improving as a player, he needed to stay on campus. So Horst accepted the trailer park job for \$10 an hour — big money for a broke college kid — to finance his summers.

By the start of his senior year in 2005, Horst, living in a mobile home with three roommates, needed an internship to complete his sports management degree. His college coach had a connection with the Detroit Pistons.

"He was a young guy who just kind of showed up," said John Hammond, who worked in the Pistons' front office at the time and is now the Magic's general manager. "I just thought, here's an intern. Another intern."

Over time, Hammond and then-Pistons president of basketball operations Joe Dumars noticed something about this intern. Horst did everything: handling administrative office minutiae, working out players on game days and even helping Dumars and Hammond workshop trade scenarios. He had cleaned out sewage lines in his other job, so becoming the tech-savvy kid who could interpret analytics websites for a room of middle-aged men was a breeze.

"Joe would yell out his door, 'Yo Horst!' and Jon would come scurrying in," said Hammond, who recalled how Horst would even present his own trade ideas to Dumars. "I'm sitting here looking at this young guy, thinking, 'Wow, this guy's got a lot of potential and he's a really, really sharp guy.'"

The only problem: working at a trailer park was more lucrative than working for the Pistons, where he was often paid in restaurant gift cards and free team gear.

Horst graduated and was promoted to the title of basketball assistant but was paid only \$6 or \$7 an hour. He had student debt and a girlfriend he wanted to marry, so Horst took a job working the night shift at a FedEx shipping location. A manager offered a full-time position. The \$40,000-plus salary with benefits was tempting. He nearly took the job.

"I would say pretty close," Horst said.

Horst sought counsel from his family, his girlfriend Mia, who would eventually become his wife, and his mentor, Hammond. Although Hammond could not guarantee a higher position with the Pistons, he echoed others urging Horst to stick with his basketball dreams.

"I kind of saw it out and just



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MVP favorite Giannis Antetokounmpo has the Bucks in the Eastern Conference finals, but much credit must go to brilliant GM Jon Horst.

continued on with it," Horst said, adding without sarcasm, "It worked out."

In 2008, Hammond was named the Bucks' general manager and brought Horst with him. With the franchise's small staff, Horst, continuing his handyman role, had to take on everything — even helping a young Antetokounmpo learn to drive a car.

Although the team hired a driver's education teacher to properly instruct Antetokounmpo, who was selected by the Bucks with the 15th pick in the 2013 draft, he needed practice. So he would borrow Horst's car.

Antetokounmpo would squeeze his 6-foot-11 frame into Horst's Jeep Grand Cherokee or the boss' Ford Edge, his knees cartoonishly gripping the steering wheel and frightening his passengers by plowing through stop signs for right-hand turns.

"It was one of the most exhilarating, scary, fun experiences of my life," said Dave Dean, a longtime Bucks employee and current vice president of basketball operations who refused to ride shotgun with Antetokounmpo. "He would take us, and we would have some laughs."

When Hammond left for Orlando, Horst landed the top job at just 34. Since taking over, Horst has created a collaborative environment in which random group texts for pickup games arrive almost daily — "The only vice I know that Jon has," Dean said, "is playing hoops" — and everyone in his department has a say in early discussions about trades, free agency and the draft. Yes, even the lowly interns.

"He's very inclusive and asks opinions of everyone," said Milt Newton, the Bucks' assistant general manager who has worked in

basketball since 1993. "The one thing I know about Jon and seen about Jon: The guy is very secure. He doesn't have to be the one who came up with the solution. ... His main concern is, 'Let's get it right, and when we get it right everyone gets a little shine.'"

Around the Bucks' basketball operations office, an open workspace called the "bullpen" that houses every department, they have a nickname for Horst: Red Pen.

"He uses it quite a bit," Dean said, laughing at the way Horst turns every report into a bloody mess with his editing pen. "If you can walk out of there without red all over the place, you know you're advancing."

Horst's attention to detail has become legendary. Last summer, Horst hired Mike Budenholzer as head coach then added players — Brook Lopez, Ersan Ilyasova and

Pat Connaughton — to thrive in Budenholzer's system and complement Antetokounmpo and Khris Middleton.

He brought in sharpshooter Nikola Mirotic at the trade deadline and quietly extended point guard Eric Bledsoe's contract. The Bucks won 60 games, and no other team, not even the two-time reigning champion Warriors, dominated opponents like the Bucks, winning a league-best 45 games by 10 or more points. The franchise has its sights set on its first conference title since 1974 and its first NBA championship since 1971.

Horst's days of working at a trailer park are behind him, but that same work ethic continues as a rising NBA executive.

"If I have to someday, I'll go back to shovel (expletive) again," he said. "Until then I love what I do every day."

IN PERFORMANCE 'The Winter's Tale' ★★★

There's no forgiveness for King Leontes



Dan Donohue (Leontes) and Charlie Herman (Mamillius) in "The Winter's Tale" at the Goodman Theatre.

Regret, sadness pervades production now at Goodman

By **CHRIS JONES**
 Chicago Tribune

Like "The Tempest" and "Cymbeline," William Shakespeare's "The Winter's Tale" traditionally has been seen as a romantic play about forgiveness, penance and reconciliation. Its early dramatic action is filled with horrific acts caused by sexual jealousy — what Iago famously called "the green-eyed monster" in "Othello," another play about the destructive force of resentment. But whereas "Othello" is a tragedy, "The Winter's Tale" is

suffused with sadness and regret. It was written late in Shakespeare's life and its central character, Leontes, not only achieves self-awareness regarding the acuteness of his own folly, but time and the poet give him another chance. In the end, his loyal subjects have saved him from his own worst doings, and in the purity of the love expressed by the next generation, Leontes finds atonement and rebirth.

I say "traditionally" because director Robert Falls' interesting and avowedly secular new production at the Goodman Theatre does not leave you with all those lion-in-winter feels. He's changed the play in fairly fundamental ways — most notably, he does not even remotely want to

let Leontes off the hook. In this production, his redemption is, to a large extent, delusional. His trail of destruction is not ameliorated by the generous suffering of others; it abides. At the end of the play, for reasons I won't here reveal, you half expect the police to show up and haul Leontes away, just when he thinks the universe finally has heard his prayers of guilt.

This is perfectly understandable. Run Leontes' behavior — his callous actions lead to either the death or the banishment of everyone he claims to love, including two children — through the filter of our moralistic times and you would hear calls for perma-

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RICHARD CARTWRIGHT/ABC

Jake Choi interacts with a baby on ABC's "Single Parents."

MY WORST MOMENT

Recalling an audition that stunk — literally

Lack of a bathroom break once backfired on Choi in bad way

By **NINA METZ**
 Chicago Tribune

On the ABC comedy "Single Parents," Jake Choi plays Miggy, the youngest and least experienced member of his group of parent-friends.

"He's not the brightest," Choi said, "and he might not know what's going on, but he thinks he's got everything figured out."

The show, which co-stars Taran Killam and Leighton Meester, was just renewed for a second season. Until then, Choi can be seen in the film adaptation of the YA novel "The Sun is Also a Star" playing "a totally different kind of guy" than the sincere and endearing Miggy.

"Man, if people are 'Single Parents' fans and they see this movie, they're going to be traumatized!" he joked about the film in which he plays the older brother to one of the protagonists.

"He's everything that Miggy isn't — he's way smarter, way more sarcastic and has different methods of getting what he wants. And he can definitely can be a (jerk).

"And it's always nice when a role is not defined by the ethnicity or the culture, but it's used to give three dimensions to the character. And I feel with this role it was important to get a Korean American actor because the actors playing the parents are Korean too and there's this unspoken thing between Korean Americans, where I can bring up an idea and they'll be like, 'Right!' And we would add those details and pepper them in because they're real."

All acting careers, no matter how successful, also include embarrassing or awkward or strange moments. When asked to share one, Choi said: "I don't think I've ever told this story to anyone. I think I just pushed it way, way down in my memory."

My worst moment ...

"When I first started out acting, I was very enthusiastic and a little zealous — especially if it was an audition for a TV show or a big film, I always wanted to go the

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Rollie, 22, holds her unnamed male baby in the Regenstein Center for African Apes at Lincoln Park Zoo on Tuesday. The endangered western lowland gorilla was born on Mother's Day.

OH, BABY

Lincoln Park Zoo gorilla gives birth on Mother's Day

By **STEVE JOHNSON** | Chicago Tribune

The Mother's Day surprise awaiting Lincoln Park Zoo curator of primates Jill Moyses was fitting.

Overnight Sunday in the zoo's Regenstein Center for African Apes, Rollie, a female gorilla born at Lincoln Park 22 years ago, had given birth to an apparently healthy male, the 53rd gorilla birth in the history of the North Side institution.

"It's like when a (human) mom has a kid," Moyses said Tuesday from in front of the habitat for the zoo's western lowland gorillas, a critically endangered species in its native Africa.

"Even though this isn't my first gorilla, I was really shocked and very excited." Video footage of the habitat showed

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The cast of "BH90210" includes Tori Spelling, from left, Jason Priestley, Gabrielle Carteris, Ian Ziering and Jennie Garth.

'90210' cast preps reboot without Perry

NEW YORK — At an event promoting the upcoming slate of Fox shows, the cast of the "Beverly Hills, 90210" reboot remembered their castmate Luke Perry, who died earlier this year.

"Luke was a huge part of our '90210' family, and personally Luke was a very large part of my life," Jason Priestley said. "So, it's obviously very difficult to do this without him."

Titled "BH90210," the new show isn't a continuation of the series. Having gone their separate ways after the series ended nearly 20 years ago, the actors return as heightened versions of themselves.

In addition to Priestley, original stars Jennie Garth, Ian Ziering, Gabrielle Carteris, Brian Austin Green and Tori Spelling were in New York to promote the new show, set for a summer debut.

"The show is comedic drama, very, very heavy on the comedy side. It's a scripted, fake reality show that follows Jason Priestley and Ian Ziering and Jennie Garth, all of us trying to get a reboot of 'Beverly Hills 90210' made, and what that entails," Priestley said.

"Very much like 'Episodes.' A little bit of 'Arrested Development' thrown in there. A little bit of 'Curb Your Enthusiasm' thrown in there. But very much in the vein of those shows."

While most of the original cast will return, there is a void after the passing of Luke Perry in March. Ziering said he's still processing his grief.

"I'm still having trouble reconciling that, so I don't have an answer for you. It's difficult. He was a good friend of mine," he said.

Garth added: "He's been with us every step of the way."

— Associated Press



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The Darndest new job: Tiffany Haddish will host ABC's revival of "Kids Say the Darndest Things." Taped in front of a live studio audience, the show will feature both in-studio segments and bits taped all over the country. "I'm excited to hear what kids have to say these days because I can't understand what they are saying on social media," Haddish said. "They're using too many abbreviations!"

No boycott for Madonna: Pop star Madonna has rejected calls for her to boycott this year's Eurovision song contest in Israel, saying she will "never stop playing music to suit someone's political agenda." Madonna said her "heart breaks every time I hear about the innocent lives that are lost in this region and the violence that is so often perpetuated to suit the political goals of people who benefit from this ancient conflict." She said she prays for "a new path toward peace."

Fresh off the rant: "Fresh Off the Boat" star Constance Wu's job is safe despite her online rant, according to ABC. The "Crazy Rich Asians" star posted an expletive-filled lament last week when the comedy's renewal was announced. No thought was given to recasting Wu's role as the sitcom's mom, network executive Karey Burke said Tuesday. Wu has apologized for what she called "insensitive" comments.

May 15 birthdays: Singer Trini Lopez is 82. Actress Lainie Kazan is 79. Musician Brian Eno is 71. Rapper Melle Mel is 58. Actor David Krumholtz is 41.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Trump fan struggles to cope at work

Dear Amy: I'm a Trump fan. I just started a new job. Every single TV at work is playing CNN, even though Fox (three times the ratings) and MSNBC (two times the ratings) have more followers.

I knew this coming in. However, now I have heard one teammate consistently speak up against Trump. I, like many conservatives, have a hard time rebutting him, not because of any physical reaction, but because it could hinder my position within the company.

How should I handle this situation?
— Peter

Dear Peter: Unless you work in media, I don't see why it is necessary to have any TVs on at work. But you don't seem to object to the TV itself, you just don't want to watch the news.

Throughout time, people (women, or people of color, for instance) have had to keep their opinions to themselves at work if their views were in opposition to bosses or more powerful co-workers. You are now experiencing what it is like to be quiet on the outside but pretty loud inside your head.

The workplace isn't the place to discuss politics. Topics at work should be confined to work-related matters and benign personal interchanges.

According to my research, speech is not necessarily protected at private companies, so your job could be in jeopardy if you express a political opinion that your boss or the business owner finds offensive or merely disagrees with. But you knew all of this going in.

The current political and media climate has fostered a level of personal discord that has infested many relationships, destroying some. At work, keep your political opinions to yourself; it is within your rights to benignly suggest that others do the same. I also think that unless consuming the news on a loop is vital to your profession, the TVs should be turned off.

In fact, I would love it if all the TVs — at the airport, dentist's office or tattoo parlor — were off or turned to the gardening channel.

Dear Amy: I am a 31-year-old career-minded woman with no children. My best friend has a 2-year-old daughter. I'm conflicted on how to invite her to adult-only social events without coming across as rude.

I love her daughter and truly enjoy hanging out with the two of them together, but there is a time and a place for kids. I don't want to hurt her feelings (her social life has already been affected after having a baby), but I also don't want my other friends to feel awkward when there's a child walking around at a party with alcohol.

My friend is very sensitive, so I really need to be careful about how I approach this. Help!
— Friend Indeed

Dear Friend: I remember during my time as a single mother the tension I would occasionally feel over social occasions that were not meant to include children. So I got a baby sitter. It can be hard to find, afford and keep a reliable sitter. Some parents simply don't want to leave their

children at home. Yet occasionally parents must also venture out on their own. This is great for parents, and, given the right circumstances, it is also important for children to see that their parents occasionally do things without them.

Young children know through their experiences that they can adjust to another person in the household, and that — hooray — their parents always return.

You are a generous friend to include your bestie's child whenever you can. Those times when you can't (or don't want to), you should give your friend plenty of notice and say, "I hope you can get a sitter for the 15th, because we're having a dinner party and would love for you to be able to come!"

There will be times when your friend won't be able to make it. She will be disappointed. But you should not be afraid of her, or her disappointment.

Dear Amy: You asked for suggestions for "Delicate's" problem: how to dispose of old porn magazines.

Magazines are great for composting! I use them to enhance my garden.
— Happy Gardener

Dear Happy: Great suggestion! I also use magazines (and cardboard) under mulch to create new garden beds (the "lasagna" method). Growing gorgeous flowers over a layer of porn sounds just right.

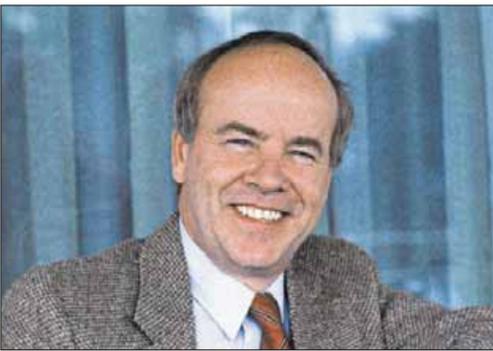
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TIM CONWAY 1933-2019

Emmy-winning comedian of 'Carol Burnett Show'

By LYNN ELBER AND MARK KENNEDY
Associated Press



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NEW YORK — Tim Conway, the impish second banana to Carol Burnett who won four Emmy Awards on her TV variety show, starred aboard "McHale's Navy" and later voiced the role of Barnacle Boy for "SpongeBob SquarePants," has died. He was 85.

Conway died Tuesday morning at a Los Angeles care facility after a long illness, according to Howard Bragman, who heads LaBrea Media. Conway's wife, Charlene Fusco, and a daughter, Jackie, were at his side.

A native of Ohio, Conway credited his Midwestern roots for putting him on the right path to laughs, with his deadpan expression and innocent, simple-minded demeanor. "I think the Midwest is the heart of comedy in this country, and a little bit of the South, too," he told the Wisconsin State Journal in 2005. "For some reason, we're just more laid-back, more understanding. And Midwesterners have a kinder sense of humor."

Those qualities probably contributed to his wide popularity on "The Carol Burnett Show," which he joined in 1975 after years as a frequent guest. The show aired on CBS from 1967 to 1978 and had a short summer stint on ABC in 1979. "We really didn't attack people or politics or religion or whatever. We just made fun of, basically, ourselves," he said.

The show operated with just five writers, one producer, one director and without network interference. The ensemble cast surrounding the redheaded star included Vicki Lawrence and Lyle Waggoner.

While America was laughing at Conway, so were his co-stars: Burnett and Harvey Korman were often caught by the camera trying not to crack up during his performances.

The short, nondescript Conway and the tall, imposing Korman were a physical mismatch made in comedy heaven. They toured the country for years with a sketch show called "Together Again," which drew on characters from Burnett's show.

Besides the four Emmys he won with Burnett (three as a performer, one as a writer), he won Emmys for guest appearances in 1996 for "Coach" and in 2008 for "30 Rock."

Conway also had a modest but steady movie career, appearing in such films as "The Apple Dumpling Gang" (1975), "The Shaggy D.A." (1976), "Cannonball Run II" (1984), "Dear God" (1996) and "Air Bud 2" (1998).

He also found success in the 1980s in a series of comedy videos based on an oddly short character named Dorf. (Carefully costumed, Conway performed the bits on his knees.) Among them were "Dorf on Golf" and "Dorf Goes Fishing." More recently Conway

voiced the role of Barnacle Boy for the hugely popular children's series "SpongeBob SquarePants."

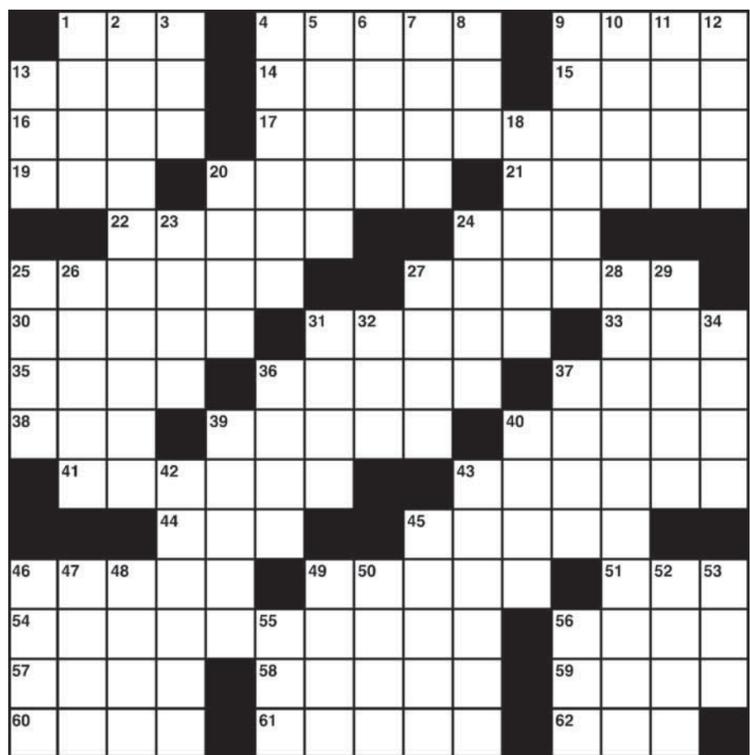
He was born Thomas Conway in 1933 in the Cleveland suburb of Willoughby. He attended Bowling Green State University and served in the U.S. Army. He got his career start on local TV in Cleveland in the 1950s, where his duties included comedy spots on a late-night movie show.

He was spotted by Rose Marie of "The Dick Van Dyke Show," who got him an audition for "The Steve Allen Show." He became a regular on the show in the early 1960s. It was Allen who had advised him to change his name from Tom to Tim to avoid being confused with a British actor.

Following the Allen show, Conway gained attention as the incompetent Ensign Charles Parker on the Ernest Borgnine sitcom "McHale's Navy" from 1962-66. That led to series of his own, including "Rango" and "The Tim Conway Show" but they were short-lived.

Conway and his wife, Mary Anne Dalton, married in 1961 and had six children. The marriage ended in divorce. He later married Charlene Fusco.

Crossword



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- ACROSS**
- 1 Cook in oil
 - 4 Place of refuge
 - 9 Shoots carefully
 - 13 Told a whopper
 - 14 Locale
 - 15 Entreaty
 - 16 Rainbows
 - 17 Tropical fruits
 - 19 TV crime drama series
 - 20 Changed addresses
 - 21 Relaxes
 - 22 ___ out; get rid of gradually
 - 24 Actress Sara
 - 25 Evergreen tree
 - 27 Pandemonium
 - 30 Numbered golf clubs
 - 31 Digger's tool
 - 33 Depressed
 - 35 Promise's partner, in phrase
 - 36 Hit the ___; begin a rapid decline
 - 37 Azure or navy
 - 38 British custom
 - 39 Ill-will
 - 40 Verse writers
 - 41 Zigzag skiing
 - 43 Instructed
 - 44 Floor pad
 - 45 Island nation near Sicily
 - 46 Frequently
 - 49 Steeple
 - 51 Kids' running game
 - 54 Sin
 - 56 ___ one's time; wait
 - 57 Social misfit
 - 58 Small weight
 - 59 Leak out
 - 60 Candy store chain
 - 61 Say hello to
 - 62 Afternoon hour
- DOWN**
- 1 Forest trees
 - 2 Like a give-and-take relationship
 - 3 Linear measures: abbr.
 - 4 Fight against
 - 5 Still breathing
 - 6 Not bananas
 - 7 Frosted
 - 8 Black or Baltic
 - 9 Request a second trial
 - 10 Misfortunes
 - 11 Encounter
 - 12 Disrespectful talk
 - 13 Fond du ___, WI
 - 18 Arrogance
 - 20 Apple computers
 - 23 Handsome young man

Solutions

24 Pharmacy orders, for short
25 Sandy grit
26 Asks nosy questions
27 Commanded
28 Unproven charge
29 Canker sore site
31 ___ milk; nonfat drink
32 Hole in the ground
34 Word before Virginia
36 Blemish
37 Boxing match
39 Street talk
40 Ashen
42 Make ___; atone
43 Dartboard
45 Chop finely
46 Possesses
47 Complimentary
48 ___ up; shredded
49 Like lemons
50 Yearn
52 Tool with a blade
53 Word of mild surprise
55 Greyhound, e.g.
56 Word that startles

IN PERFORMANCE

Carter, Kissin bring sweet music to Chicago

Violinist performs '4 Sisters'; pianist at Orchestra Hall

BY HOWARD REICH
Chicago Tribune

The Chicago Sinfonietta closed its season Monday evening at the Auditorium Theatre with a Chicago premiere of real consequence.

Violinist and MacArthur Fellow Regina Carter had performed David Schiff's "4 Sisters" just twice before, but judging by this reading, the piece deserves to be heard widely and often.

A jazz concerto in everything but name, "4 Sisters" pays tribute to a singular American vocalist in each movement: Aretha Franklin in "Soul," Ella Fitzgerald in "Scat," Billie Holiday in "Satin" and Sarah Vaughan in "Sassy."

Those titles might lead one to believe that composer Schiff has asked the violin soloist to mimic each vocalist's style. But Schiff has done no such thing.

Instead, he has evoked the spirit of each singer via music of considerable substance and harmonic surprise. Even if the movement's titles had been stripped from the program, the score would represent a significant achievement in Third Stream writing (meaning music that bridges jazz and classical languages).

In "Soul," Carter's sliding pitches and sighing phrases were answered by gasps and shouts from the or-



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Pianist Evgeny Kissin performed Sunday at Orchestra Hall, while violinist Regina Carter helped close the Chicago Sinfonietta season Monday at the Auditorium Theatre by performing David Schiff's "4 Sisters."

chestra. "Scat" didn't mimic Fitzgerald's high-flying improvisations — which would be impossible — but instead featured nimble interplay between Carter's elegantly shaped lines and vivid orchestral response.

The steeped-in-blue character of "Satin" perhaps alluded to the darker facets of Holiday's life and music. And Carter's soaring violin phrases were set against a plush orchestral backdrop in "Sassy."

True, violin concertos by Beethoven and Brahms faced no real challenge here. But that wasn't the point, for Schiff has penned a work steeped in American vernacular and articulated with high craft.

The only flaw was the unfortunate decision to amplify Carter's violin, which distorted her sound and ruined the balance between soloist and orchestra. An acoustically superior room such as the Auditorium Theatre needs no such amplification.

The evening opened with Jessie Montgomery's "Strum" — a light, jazz-tinged work that broke no new ground — and ended with Elgar's "Enigma" Variations, conductor Mei-Ann Chen bringing vivid character to each vignette.

Evgeny Kissin

The compelling recital Evgeny Kissin played Sunday afternoon in Orchestra Hall attested to the pianist's sovereign command of the keyboard and the vigor of his imagination.

Though Kissin focused on 19th and 20th century landmarks, avoiding baroque and classical-period repertoire, his authority in the music he chose to play affirmed his stature as a pianist in the grand romantic manner.

Scriabin's Sonata No. 4, in F-sharp Major, Op. 30, requires a performer with a formidable technique, a keen ear for color and an ability to capture super-



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heated, hyperemotional expression. Kissin provided all of this and something more: textural clarity, every line ringing out crisply, despite how thick Scriabin's piano textures became. No technical challenge in this score stood in Kissin's way, the pianist flying through demonically complex passagework that fells lesser virtuosos.

Yet the same pianist offered infinitely subtle shades of tone and halfnote in a series of Debussy Preludes. The timbral delicacy he brought to "The Girl with the Flaxen Hair," the sharp-edged wit he articulated in "General Lavine — Eccentric" and the whirl of sound and energy he conjured in "What the West Wind Saw" represented perceptive readings of familiar works. All of which set the stage for Debussy's "Fireworks," which Kissin took at quite a clip, along the way yielding brilliant hues in the piano's stratosphere and meticulously

crafted layers of sound lower down.

Schumann's Sonata No. 3 in F Minor, Op. 14, demands a very different approach, and here Kissin captured its mercurial nature. The finale proved a pianistic tour de force, Kissin somehow drawing endless lines of melody amid swirling keyboard figurations.

If Kissin's reading of Chopin's Nocturne in F Minor, Op. 55 No. 1 — which opened the program — was too slow and clunky, he compensated with the melodic flow he achieved in the Nocturne in G Major, Op. 37 No. 2.

For encores, Kissin offered a whispered version of Schumann's "Traumerei," a robustly extroverted reading of Debussy's "Golliwog's Cakewalk," a thoroughly idiomatic account of Chopin's Grande Valse Brillante and a disarming performance of an original composition, "Dodeca- phonic Tango."

Civic Orchestra of Chicago

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra's recently ended seven-week strike meant that the Civic Orchestra of Chicago also fell silent during that time. Sunday evening's performance in Orchestra Hall brought the young musicians back into the spotlight, and they seized it, opening with the world premiere of Christopher Cerrone's "Meander, Spiral, Explode" for percussion quartet and orchestra.

Third Coast Percussion collaborated animatedly with the orchestra in the gripping work, its three movements unfolding without pause.

Though subtlety was not this composition's strong point, there was no resisting Third Coast Percussion's telegraphic opening statements, which pulsed over a relentless orchestral crescendo. The hypnotic incantations of the second movement eventually gave way to a propulsive finale, Third Coast Percussion's speed demons giving listeners a great deal at which to marvel.

The program, sensitively conducted by Ken-David Masur, also included a solid performance of Debussy's technically challenging "La Mer" and an emotionally open, youthful account of Schumann's Symphony No. 1 ("Spring").

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The cast of ABC's "Single Parents," from left, Kimrie Lewis, Leighton Meester, Jake Choi, Taran Killam and Brad Garrett.

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extra mile for the audition.

"And there was one role where the character was a complete slacker. He was a slob, and all he did was eat chips and play video games. This was for a film, (but) I can't remember what it was. I want to say I was 26 or 27 at the time. The casting director was a pretty big casting director in New York.

"I was like, OK, the character's a slacker, (so) I'm not going to shower the night before. I'm going to really try to live in his shoes! But I didn't do anything extreme, nothing crazy. So I go in, I have all my lines pretty much memorized and I'm really nervous, but I'm excited to be auditioning. And the casting director is giving me some notes before I begin, and I realized — and this is a little TMI but — every morning I (use the bathroom) after I drink my coffee. I'm not the only one, right? Coffee's a great laxative, but I didn't take my morning (bathroom break) that day because all I did was concentrate on that audition the whole morning.

"So flash-forward to the audition. I'm about to start and I decide that maybe I'll burp during the scene because that would be really in-character since he's such a slob. I start the scene and I've pinpointed a moment where I want to do the burp, so I'm saying the lines and I let out this huge burp — but I also farted at the same time. And it was a very loud fart.

There was this split-second moment of silence where I looked over to the casting director to see if she clocked it, and I don't know if she did, but she was just staring at me and *glaring* at me. It was one of those weird moments where I hoped the sound of my burp eclipsed the sound of my fart, but I don't think it did. So I kept going with the scene, but by this point I can smell it because the room is not that big, and I'm pretty sure the casting director and the assistant can smell it.

"So I finish the scene and there was another scene that I had prepared, but the casting director said, 'That will be all.' And I said, 'You don't want me to read the other scene?' And she said, 'No. Thank you for coming in.'

"I went home and I didn't cry, but I laid down on my bed for a good 30 minutes and I might have rubbed my temples a little bit. I took a little mental break. And no, I did not get the role!"

The last thing an actor wants is a casting director to associate them with an unpleasant memory.

"I remember thinking to myself: just finish the scene the best you can. Just do such a good job that she'll forgive what happened!

"Because when you're starting out, every audition is the end all, be all. You're like, this is the one I'm going to book and it's going to get me the next big movie and then I'm going to be a star and win awards and do a play on Broadway — that's how your mind works.

"And when I left the casting office, I really beat myself up. Well, first I found a bathroom in the building and used it. But then I was sort of rehashing what happened and I was like: How could you do that, Jake? You couldn't hold it?

"Now it's so funny. And you know what? The casting director called me back to her office a few times after that, so I didn't get blacklisted."

The takeaway ...

"(Laughs) A few things. When you got to release, you got to release — you can't hold it in. Bodies are so unpredictable (laughs).

"But also, there will be other auditions. That's easier said than done, but it's important to have fun while you're auditioning and learn to let these experiences go once they're done so you can get ready for the next one. Because most actors, 90% of our careers are auditioning.

"I held onto that terrible feeling until the next time she called me into her office, so it was maybe a year or two later. It was a long time. But going in that next time gave me a sense of renewal and hope — that what had happened wasn't so dire.

"We're our own worst critics and it's easy to fall into this weird mental state where we think everything is so magnified. But it's never as bad as you think. And over the years I've talked to casting directors, and there are even crazier stories than what I did!"

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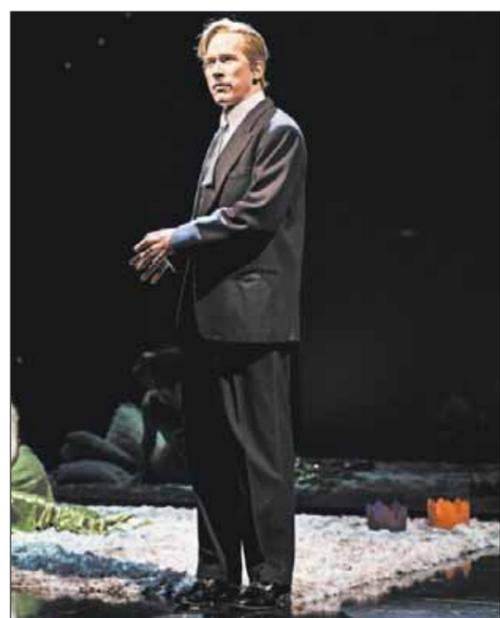
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ment cancellation, not redemption. Plus Leontes is King of Sicilia and thus a political as well as a personal figure; his actions in the play have the symbolic weight of a ruler, or, of course, a president.

How you feel about the production will depend, I think, on your views on the import of original authorial intent (which never trouble me) or, on a deeper level, whether you feel the artist has any obligation to emphasize balm in troubled times (I say it is up to the artist, but it's also what many audiences seek). If you go to the theater a lot, you've probably experienced the difficulty many progressive artists currently are having either in forgiving the (mostly male) villains of dramatic literature or believing in any kind of grace, be it romantic, spiritual or otherwise.

You can see this in the fascinating current Broadway revival of "Oklahoma," which argues love solves nothing despite using a musical claiming that romance is at one with American optimism, and, indeed, this healthy debate is occurring all over the Rialto. Depending on your point of view — and maybe your age, for when there is little time left, kindness tends to overflow political anger — you can see this either as a rightful and long overdue resistance against the patriarchal, mostly Christian tradition that forms the value system of plays such as this one, indeed the entirety of the Shakespearean canon. Or you can see it as a sad symptom of a riven world that has yet to come to terms with the ubiquity of human idiocy and impetuosity, and the price that always is paid when we deny forgiveness, fail to deal with a community's need for truth and reconciliation, even if doesn't know it, and lock up the jail cell for decades and leave the sinners there to rot.

So, up to you. Know that this is a clear-eyed staging, personally revealing of its artists. It's the latest installment of Falls' auteur ambitions, which I never like to miss, and not dull for a moment. It clips along, coming in at a mere



LIZ LAUREN PHOTO

Dan Donohue (Leontes) in "The Winter's Tale" at the Goodman Theatre.

When: Through June 9

Where: Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St.

Running time: 2 hours, 20 minutes

Tickets: \$30-\$80 at 312-443-3800 or www.goodmantheatre.org

150 minutes, including an intermission, which means that there have been extensive cuts, mostly serving the deconstructive purpose outlined above and, for those familiar with the play, perhaps jarring.

There are two truly exceptional performances to enjoy — Dan Donohue, who plays Leontes with deep and profound commitment, and Kate Fry, who comes to life as Hermione with a complexity and level of emotion I've never before seen in this role. You will also, I think, be very moved by Henry Godinez, whose quiet performance as Camillo is one of this actor's best. And the famous bucolic scenes mostly are fun, if not always consistent. And Walt Spangler's design is witty and reflective throughout.

I was fascinated by how well Falls redirects your attention to the impact of Leontes' deeds on the less powerful people who surround him, and who pay a heavy personal price for his sins. That's really a revelatory idea very powerfully realized here: in its best moment, this staging makes you think that

every other "Winter's Tale" you ever saw has bought the idea that it is the privilege of kings and queens that matter most, which is, for better or worse, how Shakespeare chose to write the world.

The younger actors in the production are less secure — partly, I think, because their characters' missions are not fully articulated and they're yet too passive for what Falls really wants to do here. They're written to be almost god-like in their ability to heal and yet here they are in a production that does not necessarily believe in forgiveness if that means you are supposed to forget.

Thus I'd argue that this show, to achieve what it most wants to argue from a progressive point of view, needed to give them more power and authority. More attention. More moral pull. Many of those who are disgusted with the current wreck of a body politic put much faith in the young, who, yes, will have to do more than their share of reconciling. Ultimately, this staging would have more force if they engaged far more directly with the old order, and stared them more directly in the face.

That would really upend an older playwright's attempts to atone for his own mistakes and go more quietly to his grave.

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Union, Alba go into action for 'L.A.'s Finest'

Actresses deliver in renegade role in 'Bad Boys' spinoff

BY GREG BRAXTON
Los Angeles Times

Bad girls, bad girls, whatcha gonna do? Whatcha gonna do when they come for you?

No, you did not read those lyrics wrong. The familiar chorus from TV's "Cops," referenced in the hit Will Smith-Martin Lawrence buddy cop "Bad Boys" films, is the one that needs a rewrite now that Gabrielle Union and Jessica Alba are juicing up the "Bad Boys" franchise, teaming up for the spinoff "L.A.'s Finest" as detectives in pursuit of some of L.A.'s baddest. The series, which kicks off Charter Communications' premium content initiative, Spectrum Originals, on May 13, is also a career landmark for Union and Alba, who have dozens of film and TV credits between them.

Coming together on a recent afternoon at a West Los Angeles hotel suite, Union and Alba repeatedly key in on one word — "bad-ass" — to define their on- and off-screen partnership. They find it particularly gratifying to be starring in a TV action drama.

"A lot of studios and networks shy away from making grown women sexy, action heroes — we get stuck in Hollywood when you're 25," Union says as she sits near Alba. "That's when they think you're at your most sexy, most viable. I'm 46, and I've never made more money and never had more options and never lived a bigger, better and more full, thoroughly enjoyable life. And I found a partner in Jess, who also has a life outside Hollywood that is bigger, dare I say, and more fulfilling, and amazing. In our fullness and our dopeness and peak sexiness — I think we're still peaking — happens not in spite of, but because of, our full-ass womanhood."

"L.A.'s Finest" marks Alba's return to the entertainment spotlight, eight years after departing Hollywood to found the Honest Co., a successful consumer goods company specializing in beauty and babies. The actress, who has been performing since she was 13 and made a splash at age 18 as Max, the genetically engineered human prototype in Jim Cameron's futuristic "Dark Angel," is also the mother of three children with her husband, producer Cash Warren.

Meanwhile, Union, a steady presence for the last two decades in TV and film ("Bring It On," "Being Mary Jane," "Deliver Us From Eva"), is positioning the series as part of her strategy



Gabrielle Union, left, and Jessica Alba in a scene from Spectrum Originals' "L.A.'s Finest."

to extend her business and Hollywood profile. In addition to producing TV and film projects, Union has joined the judging panel on NBC's "America's Got Talent" and has started a clothing and baby product line with New York & Co. She is married to just-retired NBA star Dwayne Wade and is stepmother to his three children from previous relationships. The couple also have a 6-month-old daughter.

In reviving her "Bad Boys II" character Sydney "Syd" Burnett for "L.A.'s Finest," Union wanted to pair with someone who could empathize with her personal journey as a parent.

"While shooting the pilot, I had just shot an embryo in our surrogate," Union says. "We were creating a world for Jessica that I was hoping for myself. So I needed someone who was going to be on board with a new way of filming, a new way of doing Hollywood."

After production began, Union says, "My baby's due literally in the middle of the season, and came early. I needed someone who was going to have my back. And there's one Jessica Alba."

Ultimate 'action chick'

"L.A.'s Finest" lands as a TV milestone — the first time two women of color have starred in an hour-long action drama.

Alba is hoping the series alters the industry's perspective on women past 30 and the action genre.

"At one time, there was only one 'Dark Angel,' one 'Alias' and 50 other things that were so completely not

that," she says. "Hopefully, there is more equality now, and we won't have to sit here and be the first and only show where there are two women starring in an action series."

Produced by Sony Pictures Television and Jerry Bruckheimer Productions, the force behind the "Bad Boys" films, "L.A.'s Finest" maintains the "Bad Boys" formula of mixing humor with explosions, constant action and peril.

And while the show functions as a stand-alone project, it also serves as an appetizer for the third "Bad Boys" film, which reunites Smith and Lawrence and is scheduled for release next year.

In the new series, Union's Syd — an undercover DEA agent who was the sister of Det. Lt. Marcus Burnett (Lawrence) and girlfriend of his partner, Mike Lowrey (Smith) — is now single with a very active and adventurous sex life, though troubled by demons from her past. She's relocated to Los Angeles from Miami and has joined forces with Det. Nancy McKenna (Alba), a happily married wife and stepmother of a teenage daughter who has some dark secrets of her own.

Union and her manager approached Bruckheimer last year about building a series around Syd. The producer, who at the time was grappling with the possibility of another "Bad Boys," was instantly intrigued.

"Jerry thought our idea was actually genius — he said we could build a whole world around Syd," Union says.

But the question quickly

arose — who would Union team up with? The actress thought of Alba, who had just given birth to her third child.

"Who do you come up with when you're thinking about an action chick?" asks Union. "Who can come in and be a badass without a learning curve? There's only one Jessica. So I just begged her. 'I know you're a little busy right now creating this human being and you have this massive company. But is this something that would even interest you?'"

The two were already friends. "I've been seeing her over the years," Union says. "She was always just one of these people at these stuffy Hollywood events that you gravitate to because they're in on the joke and they get it. She's a fun, cool person."

She felt that she and Alba would have good chemistry on- and off-screen. "Her taste in tequila was helpful," she says with a laugh.

Alba adds, "You never really know about chemistry, but you can kind of sniff out someone who is such a narcissist that it's hard for them to reach outside of themselves and they spin themselves into a tornado of chaos. I just like the humanity of Gab's character. I trusted that we could have a real good time and have a real respectful relationship and have fun while doing it."

Even before she was approached by Union, Alba was already plotting a return to Hollywood; she had even met with Bruckheimer to discuss possibilities. But in planning her comeback, she was determined to do it her way.

"I knew that I was mentally ready to think about getting back into Hollywood, but I wanted to do it in a different way than I had done before," Alba says. "Because I had been a part of creating a company, I wanted to be a part of the process. When this opportunity came around, it was already pretty much a complete product. But I had the chance to have input in driving the character, the story and the development of our relationship. I also had inputs in the editing room — that was something I always wanted to be a part of."

Reflecting on the pressure she felt early in her acting career, Alba knew that having a creative partner was also important.

"I never had any real interest in carrying something on my shoulders alone," she says. "I've had many opportunities to do that. 'Dark Angel' was like boot camp. Jim Cameron told me, 'You're setting the tone on how people are going to show up everyday, and I was 18. I was always the hardest-working person there. It sort of broke my back. Not literally, but it was hard to do on my own. That's even more reason why I wanted to do it with someone.'"

Overcoming tragedy on set

Operating as series leads and executive producers, Union and Alba wanted to inject aspects of their personal lives into their characters.

Alba's character McKenna "is a stepparent, which is a nod to my own personal life and that journey, and

how does that work?" Union has said in interviews. "How do you figure out what your lane is, much less how do you stay in it; how do you maintain a relationship while also building bridges within your own family, and then, coming to work and doing the same. So it's just who McKenna is, and Syd is a little more sexually free."

They also wanted to have a family-friendly vibe on set. Union says that at one point, the trailers for her and her costar looked "like Gymboree."

When Alba first signed onto the series, she told Union she was breastfeeding. Union's response: "I'm like, 'I got you.'"

They also wanted to make sure that crew members felt comfortable bringing their children to the set and that everyone's time there was well used.

But for all of the accommodations made on the family front, a major complication erupted during the last days of filming the series' 13 episodes. A stunt car ran into the video village area at the Port of Los Angeles in San Pedro, severely injuring co-showrunner Brandon Sonnier, along with fellow executive producer and showrunner Brandon Margolis. Sonnier's injuries were so extensive that doctors had to remove part of his right leg.

"I don't know if 'heartbroken' is a big enough word," Union says of the accident. "It was just a tragedy for our producers and their families. Me and Jessica are huddled on the floor, and they're like, 'This is our dream, and we're still living the dream. The dream just looks a little different.' They are incredibly proud of the show and resilient."

"Both Brandons are great," Alba adds. "We call Brandon Sonnier 'Bionic Brandon.' He's so inspiring. He's coaching his kid's baseball team — I think he only missed one week of practice. He's a father of four. It's really inspiring for me to watch his resilience and see him be such a freaking rock star and take on this new life with such grace and humor."

Alba is still focused on Honest, which is expanding domestically and internationally. She and Warren are also advising Union as she enters the lifestyle business arena.

But "L.A. Finest" is a priority for both, and they are optimistic that the series will promote change. "Hopefully, in two or three years," Alba says, "half the action shows are starring women, and they get to run around and do all the things you typically see men in Hollywood doing. Hopefully, we open the doors."

In satisfying 'Veep' finale, Selina gets what she wanted

BY HANK STUEVER
Washington Post

Spoiler alert: This review discusses the series finale of "Veep."

A fond and appropriately bitter farewell, then, to the beautifully shriveled heart of HBO's pitch-perfect Washington satire "Veep," which ended Sunday night with the fullest possible symphony of f-bombs, c-words and manic maneuverings as its anti-hero, Selina Meyer (the incomparable Julia Louis-Dreyfus), finally got what she always wanted — the presidency of the United States — only to have live coverage of her state funeral (24 years later) interrupted by the breaking news that actor Tom Hanks had died.

Selina's victory didn't come easily because nothing in her inglorious career as a public servant ever did. You'll be thrilled to know that she never found happiness, but viewers certainly did.

In a satisfyingly conclusive, supersized episode (written and directed by "Veep" showrunner David Mandel, who took over from the show's creator, Armando Iannucci, a few

seasons back), "Veep" luxuriated one final time in history-making swerves of political fate, echoing the bizarre events that had previously landed Selina in the Oval Office for a term that was so short it's why asterisks were invented.

This time, Selina's party (the show was always coy about her party affiliation) was split among feuding nominees, leading to the first deadlocked convention in almost 70 years. Selina had to scrape and connive her way to her party's nomination at its 2020 convention. The harder she tried to win over more delegates, the more she lost — leading to the horrifying prospect that the imbecilic, upwards-failing Jonah Ryan (Timothy Simons) might secure the nomination.

Jonah's improbable rise with voters this season was "Veep's" lone, slight nod to real-life American politics and the Trump administration. The more reprehensible he became, the more he looked like a sure bet. Even poor Amy Brookheimer (Anna Chlumsky), who suffered years as Selina's chief of staff and later campaign manager, found a new kind

of political salvation on Jonah's campaign. Instead of fighting stupidity, she teased her hair and went on TV to argue, in a Kellyanne Conway-ish way, that facts are just opinions.

For the last two seasons, some viewers (and certainly a lot of reporters and critics) have asked how "Veep" could possibly compete with the real headlines of the day. The show's answer, usually, was to deliver storylines that were inventively absurd and even funnier.

It was a tad disappointing to watch as "Veep" subtly acquiesced in these last few episodes to the idea that it must somehow weigh in on actual events, lining its subplots with foreign governments interfering in elections (China, in Selina's case) and the rise of a candidate who subverts everything we once knew about traditional campaigning and leadership.

Happily, the finale leaned far more on "Veep's" established strengths as a work of fiction. More than anything, viewers will miss the repulsive rat-a-tat dialogue of Selina in high dudgeon — it was the show's core, the reason Louis-Dreyfus won six Emmys in a row.



COLLEEN CLARK/HBO

Kevin Dunn as Ben Cafferty, from left, Gary Cole as Kent Davison, Andy Daly as Keith Quinn, Julia Louis-Dreyfus as Selina Meyer and Tony Hale as Gary Walsh in the series finale of the seventh and final season of "Veep."

When her rival and former lover Tom James (Hugh Laurie) tried to step into the race as a last-minute savior/solution to the convention's deadlocked votes, Selina delivered what may have been one of the most deliciously scorching diatribes to James' aide, Michelle York ("Better Call Saul's" Rhea Seehorn).

Can I repeat it here? Not much of it, except: "I just hate to see smart women throw their political careers away on men who only see them as the [slur for a body part] of least resistance."

It worked. The next day, Michelle appeared on the news shows, accusing James of sexual harassment. And just like that, Selina's

final obstacles begin to fall away.

Against everyone's pleading, she makes Jonah her Veep, for no one knows better than Selina what an inescapable purgatory of insignificance that job can be. It's a suitable punishment.

Selina made other decisions that were painful but necessary: One led to permanent estrangement from her emotionally fragile daughter, Catherine (Sarah Sutherland), while another landed loyal bagman, Gary Walsh (Tony Hale, who provided so many of the show's funniest moments), in federal prison.

Gary, now old and paroled, came to Selina's funer-

al anyhow. "You'd hate the flowers," he whispered to her casket, leaving a tube of her favorite lipstick atop it.

Sentiment and genuine emotion was hardly ever "Veep's" forte, but it was hard not to feel a little wistful at its passing. Mandel and his outstanding cast made sure everyone got more or less what they deserved. Thankfully, most of them left politics — except the enigmatically good-natured Richard Splett (Sam Richardson), who became a popular two-term president and Nobel Peace Prize winner.

It was as if "Veep" was telling us that the nation's future may yet wind up in better hands.

WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Jeff Probst

"Survivor" (7 p.m., CBS): The sixth edition of this venerable reality competition series to be filmed in Fiji, Season 38 — subtitled "Edge of Extinction" — introduced a new twist where, unbeknownst to the continuing players, contestants who were voted out had the option of taking a boat to an even more spartan locale to await a chance to re-enter the game. Jeff Probst is host. The traditional one-hour live reunion special immediately follows.

"MasterChef Celebrity Family Showdown" (7 p.m., FOX): Celebrities and their family members step into the MasterChef kitchen to strut their culinary stuff for charity in this new two-part special, which concludes next Wednesday. In tonight's opener, former Olympic figure skater Johnny Weir and his brother, Boz, compete against Weir's frequent TV commentary partner Tara Lipinski and her husband, Todd, in a fish-dish showdown.

"Riverdale" (7 p.m., CW): After they all receive mysterious invitations, Archie, Betty, Veronica and Jughead (K.J. Apa, Lili Reinhart, Camila Mendes, Cole Sprouse) join forces to confront the evils of their past actions once and for all in the Season 3 finale, "Chapter Fifty-Seven: Survive the Night." Elsewhere, Edgar (guest star Chad Michael Murray) makes a chilling announcement at The Farm that causes chaos to erupt.

"Southern Charm" (7 p.m., 10:30 p.m., Bravo): Kathryn Dennis seeks to take her place on Charleston's social equivalent of the Iron Throne as this juicy unscripted series launches Season 6. In other upcoming story lines, Cameron Eubanks has made peace with being a mother, but continues trying to keep her professional edge.

"Wahlburgers" (8 p.m., 12 a.m., AE): After he loses a bet to Mark, former New York Yankees star Alex Rodriguez works a shift at the Fenway restaurant, where the reception A-Rod gets from Boston Red Sox fans absolutely floors Paul, in the 10th and final season premiere, "What It Do in Des Moines." Meanwhile, Mark and Donnie give Paul a hard time over his hostility to social media.

"The Employables" (9:01 p.m., 1:01 a.m., AE): This groundbreaking new docu-series follows job seekers who are living with a condition such as autism or Tourette syndrome that throws additional obstacles in their professional path to fulfilling employment. The series premiere, "Hire Intelligence," introduces James, a 35-year-old man who tries to disguise his Tourette's by suppressing his vocal and physical tics, which proves painful and exhausting.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comic Ron Funches.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Radio show host Howard Stern; Of Monsters and Men performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): BTS performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actress Allison Williams; comic Patton Oswalt; Tedeschi Trucks Band performs.*

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Why O'Brien decided to settle a lawsuit over alleged joke stealing

By **CONAN O'BRIEN**
Variety

"Conan" host Conan O'Brien was sued in July 2015 by Winnetka-raised Robert Alexander Kaseberg, who accused O'Brien and others on the TBS show of stealing five jokes from Kaseberg's Twitter account and blog. Here, O'Brien explains why he reached a settlement in the case, which had been expected to go to trial in federal court in San Diego this month.

My Stupid Lawsuit
I begin by warning you that the following is not as important as the Mueller Report, Global Warming or the death toll this week on "Game of Thrones." But I do need to get this off my chest.

Four years ago, my writers and I were sued by a man in San Diego who claimed that we stole five jokes from his blog and Twitter account. I will tell you what we told him, and what we subsequently swore under oath in a deposition: We had never heard of him or his blog or Twitter account, and we did not steal any of his jokes. Short of murder, stealing material is the worst thing any comic can be accused of, and I have devoted 34 years in show business striving for originality. Had I, for one second, thought that any of my writers took material from someone else I would have fired that writer immediately, personally apologized and made financial reparations. But I knew that we were in the right.

How did I know? I knew because different people around the world come up with the same joke all the time, especially when the joke is topical. I was made aware of this 24 years ago, when, on the same night, David Letterman, Jay Leno and I all told an identical "Dan Quayle is dumb" joke: "Dan Quayle announced today that he will not be running for President in '96.

However, he did not rule out running in '97." Back then, no one sued anyone because each of us knew that topical comedy often follows a pattern — it's an occupational hazard. You try hard to avoid it but sometimes, comedians inadvertently step on each other's feet.

Now fast forward 20 years and add something called The Internet. On a chilly winter night, I delivered a joke about Tom Brady re-gifting his Super Bowl MVP truck to opposing coach Pete Carroll (trust me, Pete Carroll gags were hilarious back in 2015). What my writers and I didn't know is that, at the same time, that joke was being written by literally 34 other people on Twitter, and one of those people decided he had been robbed. He then claimed we had stolen four other jokes, though we had proof that one of them was written prior to his posts. But none of that mattered, we were hit with a lawsuit. And not to brag, but a Federal Lawsuit. I had finally made it to the big-time. Part of me was bemused, but a larger part of me was genuinely pissed.

The wheels of justice grind slowly — really slowly — and years started to pass. During this time, we asked our writers' assistant to monitor our accuser's tweets to avoid any other accidental overlap, and she discovered 15 examples where he tweeted similar jokes AFTER we had written them for my program. And this is the guy who is suing us? Did we counter-sue? No, we did not, because I knew he had not "stolen" from us, just as we had never stolen from him.

The fact of the matter is that with over 321 million monthly users on Twitter, and seemingly 60 percent of them budding comedy writers, the creation of the same jokes based on the

day's news is reaching staggering numbers. Two years ago, one of our writers came up with a joke referencing Kendall Jenner's ill-fated Pepsi commercial, and so did 111 Twitter users.

"parallel creation" of jokes is now so commonplace that Caroline Moss of CNBC and Melissa Radzinski of the Huffington Post have given it a name: "tweet-saming." And, by the way, the person who sued me also tweeted the same Pepsi joke, but only after our show and 24 other tweeters beat him to it.

So why am I telling you all of this? Because I believe that the vast majority of people writing comedy are honorable, and they don't want to steal anyone's material because there is no joy, and ultimately no profit, in doing so. However, when you add the internet and an easily triggered legal system, the potential for endless time-wasting lawsuits over who was the first to tweet that William Barr looks like a toad with a gluten allergy becomes very real.

This saga ended with the gentleman in San Diego and I deciding to resolve our dispute amicably. I stand by every word I have written here, but I decided to forgo a potentially farcical and expensive jury trial in federal court over five jokes that don't even make sense anymore. Four years and countless legal bills have been plenty.

What's important to me, today, is defending the integrity and honesty of my writers. They are remarkably hard working and decent people, and this episode has been upsetting for them and for myself. As I wrote several years ago, "No legacy is so rich as honesty." Of course, William Shakespeare is now claiming he tweeted that in 1603, but that d--- can talk to my lawyers.



O'Brien

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 15

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Survivor: "I See the Million Dollars." (Season Finale) (N) ©				Survivor: "Reunion Special." (N) ©		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	Chicago Med: "Forever Hold Your Peace." (N)		Chicago Fire: "The White Whale." (N) ©		Chicago P.D.: "Confession." (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	Toy Story 2 (G,'99) ♦♦♦♦		Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. Toys rescue Woody from a collector. ©		Whiskey Cavalier: "Two of a Kind." (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	♦ (5:30) MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati Reds. (N) (Live) ©		(8:45) 10th Inning (N)		WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3's Comp.
	This TV 9.3	Flash Gordon (PG,'80) ♦	Sam Jones. ©			The Island (PG-13,'05) ♦♦ ©		
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Nature: "Equus: Story of the Horse: Origins." (N)		NOVA: "First Horse Warriors." (N) ©		Break-through (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 Cincinnati	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	The Game	The Game	The Manchurian Candidate		(R,'04) ♦♦♦ Denzel Washington. ©		
	FOX 32	MasterChef Celebrity Family Showdown (N)		Paradise Hotel: "Episode 103." (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family
Ion 38	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods: "Hold Outs."		Blue Blood ♦	
Telem 44	Un poquito tuyo (N) ©		Betty en NY (N) ©		La reina del sur (N) ©		Chicago (N)	
CW 50	Riverdale (Season Finale) (N) ©		Jane The Virgin (N) ©		Dateline: "Miami Heat."		Chicago ♦	
UniMas 60	♦ The Legend of Hercules		Jesús ©		Noticiero Uni Renta		Hoy voy a ♦	
WJYS 62	Salem Baptist Church		Joyce Meyer	Robison	Coach's Cor.	Paid Prog.	Monument	
Univ 66	La reina soy yo		Rosa de Guadalupe (N)		Por amar sin ley		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	Wahlburgers ©		Wahlburgers (Season Premiere) (N) ©		The Employables (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Wahlburg ♦
	AMC	Moneyball (PG-13,'11) ♦♦♦	Brad Pitt, Jonah Hill. ©					Sandlot ♦
	ANIM	Northwest Law: Uncuffed: "Remote Operations." (N)				Northwest Law ©		Northwest ♦
	BBCA	The Expendables 2 (R,'12) ♦♦	Sylvester Stallone. ©			The Expendables 2 (R,'12) ♦♦ ©		
	BET	♦ (5:30) Beverly Hills Cop		(8:05) Beverly Hills Cop II (R,'87) ♦♦		Eddie Murphy. ♦		
	BIGTEN	Big Ten Elite ©		Spring	Ten's Best	College Track and Field		Mike Hall
	BRAVO	Southern Charm (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Housewives/NYC (N)		Best Room Wins (N) ©		Watch (N)
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ♦
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦
	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Daily (N) ♦
	DISC	Expedition Unknown (N)		Expedition Unknown (N)		Mummies Unwrapped (N)		Expedition ♦
	DISN	Sydney-Max	Sydney-Max	Jessie ©	Jessie ©	Sydney-Max	Coop	Ladybug
	E!	Botched ©		Bad Teacher (R,'11) ♦♦		Cameron Diaz. ©		Busy (N)
	ESPN	♦ MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Atlanta Braves. (N)		SportsCenter (N) (Live) ©				SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	♦ (6) NFL Live! Jalen		Overwatch League: 2019 All-Stars. (N) (Live)				UFC ♦
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Guy's Grocery Games		Grocery ♦
	FREE	Pretty Little Liars (N)		(8:01) This Means War (PG-13,'12) ♦ © (SAP)				700 Club ♦
	FX	♦ (6) The Equalizer (R,'14) ♦♦		Denzel Washington. ©		Shadows (N)	What We Do	What We Do
	HALL	A Feeling of Home (NR,'19)		Jonna Walsh. ©		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	HGTV	Property Brothers: Buying		Property Brothers (N) ©		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Boise Boys
	HIST	Forged in Fire (N)		Forged in Fire (N)		(9:03) Forged in Fire (N)		Forged ♦
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	♦ (6:30) Colombiana (PG-13,'11) ♦♦		Zoe Saldana. ©		Brockmire	Colombiana ('11) ♦♦ ©	
	LIFE	Secretariat (PG,'10) ♦♦♦♦		Diane Lane. The story of the 1973 Triple Crown winner.				Nightmare ♦
MSNBC	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	The Challenge (N) ©		Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish ♦	
NBCSCH	Beer Money	Sox Talk	Premier League Soccer (Tape)				Boxing ♦	
NICK	Spy Kids 3: Game Over (PG,'03) ♦♦				Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	
OVATION	♦ (6:30) Quigley Down Under (PG-13,'90) ♦♦				Patriot Games (R,'92) ♦♦♦♦			
OWN	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	
OCY	NCIS: "Minimum Security."		NCIS: "Marine Down." ©		NCIS: "Left for Dead." ©		NCIS © ♦	
PARMT	The Dark Knight Rises (PG-13,'12) ♦♦♦		Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway. © ♦					
SYFY	♦ (6:03) John Carter (PG-13,'12) ♦♦		Taylor Kitsch. ©		Happy! (N) ©		Deep Blue ♦	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full (N)	Conan ©	
TCM	Hud (NR,'63) ♦♦♦♦		Paul Newman, Melvyn Douglas. ©		Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid		Nightmare ♦	
TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: "Vianey & Allen's Story." (N)				Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		My 600-Lb ♦	
TLN	Camp Meeting		Diane	The Three	Life Today	Exalted	Humanit ♦	
TNT	Tip-Off (N)		NBA Basketball (N Subject to Blackout)				In NBA (N) ♦	
TOON	Samur. Jack	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	
TRAV	In Search of Monsters		In Search of Monsters (N)		Paranormal Ca. (N)		Paranorm. ♦	
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Mod Fam	
VH1	Think Like a Man (PG-13,'12) ♦♦		Michael Ealy, Jerry Ferrara. ©				Wild 'n Out	
WE	Maid in Manhattan (PG-13,'02) ♦♦		Jennifer Lopez. ©				Maid in Manhattan ♦♦♦	
WGN America	Cops ©	Cops ©	Gone: "Rise." (Series Finale) (N) ©		Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	
PREMIUM	HBO	(7:15) Night School (PG-13,'18) ♦♦		Kevin Hart. ©		Videos	(9:45) Veep: "Veep." ♦	
	HBO2	What's My Name: Muhammad Ali ©					(9:45) The Liability ('12) ♦	
	MAX	Truth or Dare (PG-13,'18) ♦		Lucy Hale. ©		(8:45) The Silence of the Lambs (R,'91) ♦♦♦♦		
	SHO	(7:15) The Back-up Plan (PG-13,'10) ♦ ©				What Lies Beneath (PG-13,'00) ♦♦♦		
	STARZ	♦ Antonio Lopez		Jaws (PG,'75) ♦♦♦♦		Roy Scheider. ©		The Host ♦♦
STZNC	♦ (5:46) A View to a Kill		Dirty Dancing (PG-13,'87) ♦♦♦				Dirty Dancing 2: ♦	

Baby

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the birth taking place at exactly 2 a.m., an event that appeared as matter-of-fact as other bodily functions.

And although just two days had passed by Tuesday, the zoo had seen enough healthy behaviors to feel confident inviting the press in to have a look at the young one, estimated to be four to five pounds and as yet unnamed.

Those behaviors included nursing by the infant, witnessed by staff before 8 a.m. on that first morning; appropriate bonding by the mother, who has been holding the baby close to her chest since the birth; and the presentation behaviors staff trained Rollie for so that caregivers would be able to get a good early look.

During the 250-day gestation, "we do a lot of maternal training," said Moysé. "Bring your baby to the mesh. Let us touch your baby. Let us see your baby."

Another impetus to show off the birth was to get things back to normal for the gorillas, including taking advantage of warm weather by letting the troop into the habitat's outdoor portion, said Dave Bernier, general curator for the zoo.

"We got a really good look at this kid right away," Bernier said. "We feel like he's on a really good trajectory."

The zoo has two western lowland gorilla troops, a bachelor group and the one centered on silver-back Kwan, 30, the father of the newborn. This is the second gorilla Kwan and Rollie have produced, following Nayembi in 2012, who remains part of the troop.

The last gorilla birth at the zoo was Bella in 2015,

the daughter of Kwan and the female Bahati.

The most recent breeding was initiated on the recommendation of the inter-zoo Species Survival Plan that manages the captive population of western lowland gorillas (a species whose Latin name, it must always be mentioned, is gorilla gorilla gorilla).

The mother is expected to keep child close for at least a couple of months, said Moysé, and visitors should be able to see the pair amid the troop when outdoor displays reopen to the public beginning at noon Wednesday.

The Lincoln Park Zoo's Regenstein Center for African Apes will return to regular indoor hours for the public (10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily) on May 18. Members-only sneak peeks are May 15-17; more information at www.lpzoo.org.

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (May 15): Profits flow through cooperative alliances this year. Get farther for less money and trouble with disciplined planning. Summer brings creative breakthroughs, shifting the course of your exploration. Bold discoveries get revealed next winter, inspiring new plot lines and research directions. Build a passion project together.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Gather new income over the next few weeks, with Venus in Taurus. Your idea catches on. Check out an interesting suggestion.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Your luck in love improves immensely, with Venus in your sign for about 25 days. Your wit and charm are in fine form. Practice your moves.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Venus in Taurus could inspire peaceful introspection over the next three weeks. Enjoy quiet time and sweeter dreams. Make time for soothing rituals.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Recharge and reconnect at home. You're especially popular, with Venus in Taurus. Get out in public, and stir up some action. Social activities benefit your career.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Your professional status and influence grow, with Venus in Taurus for about 25 days. Watch for career advances. Put love into your work, and it flowers.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Get into a profitable groove. Travel and studies expand, with Venus in Taurus. It's easier to set goals and venture forth. Class convenes.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Use your power and confidence for good. Shared ventures profit, with Venus in Taurus. The next three weeks can provide financial growth.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Plan and coordinate your upcoming adventures. Make reservations. Partnerships flower over three weeks, with Venus in Taurus. Collaborate, compromise and share your heart.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Your physical health, fitness and beauty flowers, with Venus in Taurus. Infuse your work with love and it grows more profitable.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. You're especially lucky in games and romance under Taurus Venus for three weeks. Your creativity flowers. Enjoy the process. Have fun with young people.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Make your home into your love nest. Beautify your space, with Venus in Taurus. Share some domestic bliss with family and friends. Feed everyone.

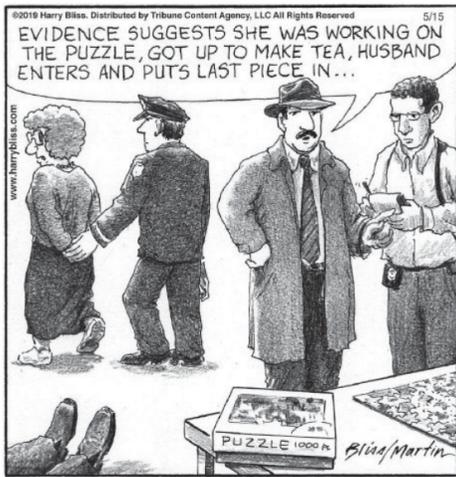
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Trust your heart to lead you. Envision, express and create, with Venus in Taurus. Your research gets fascinating. Explore a passion.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

North		East	
♠ A Q 5 4 3	♥ 10 7	♠ 6 2	♥ A 6 5
♦ 6 4	♣ K J 7 6	♦ K J 10 8 7	♣ Q 9 5
West		South	
♠ 10 8	♥ K J 9 8 3 2	♠ K J 9 7	♥ Q 4
♦ Q 9 5	♣ 3 2	♦ A 3 2	♣ A 10 8 4

Today's deal features a highly competitive auction, as is typical in today's tournament world. East's three-diamond bid is a common tactic. East, who was always going to raise his partner's pre-empt to the three level, just showed his goodish long suit on the way. This served as a lead-directing bid for West, who duly led a low diamond. East made the "discovery" play of the 10 at trick one, discovering that his partner held the queen when South won the first trick with the ace.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	2♥	Db1*	3♦
3♠	Pass	4♠	All pass

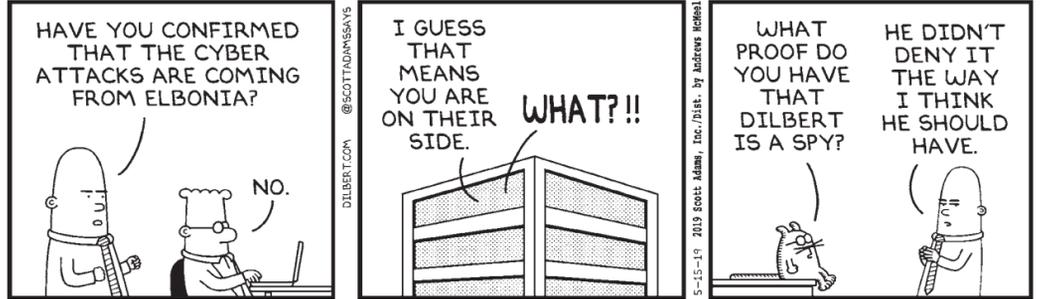
*Negative
Opening lead: Five of ♦

Declarer drew trumps in two rounds and led a diamond, won by East with the jack. East cashed the ace of hearts and led a heart to West's king, and West was on the spot. West couldn't be sure whether South started with three hearts and two diamonds or two hearts and three diamonds. Either way, however, South started with at least four clubs. That meant that a ruff-sluff wouldn't help South, so West exited with a third heart, giving the ruff-sluff.

South ruffed in his hand while discarding a club from dummy, but he had to find the queen of clubs for himself. He reasoned that West might have given the ruff-sluff because he didn't want to lead a club from the queen, so he cashed the ace of clubs and led a club to dummy's jack. Down one after thoughtful defensive play!

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Dilbert By Scott Adams



Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



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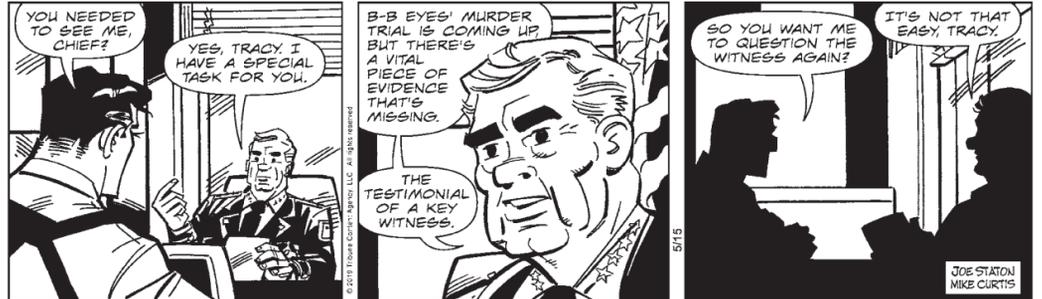
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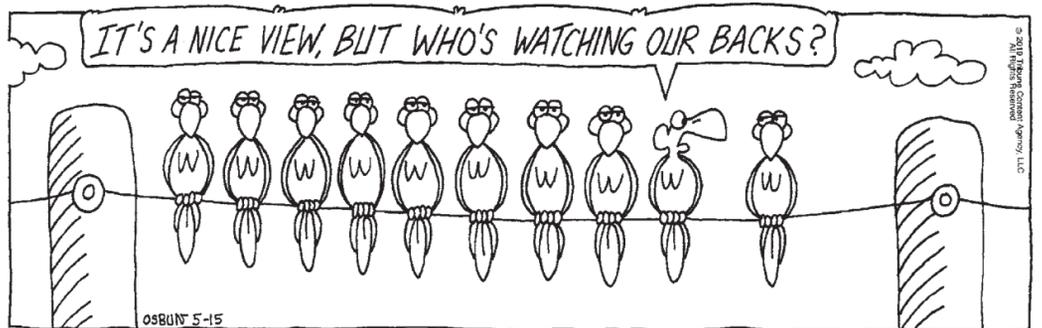
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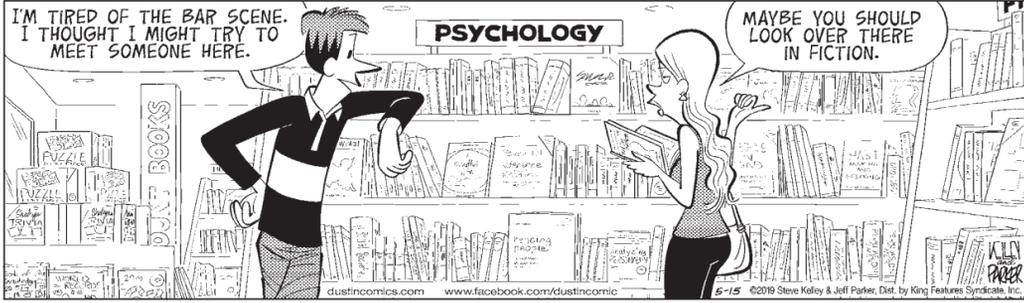
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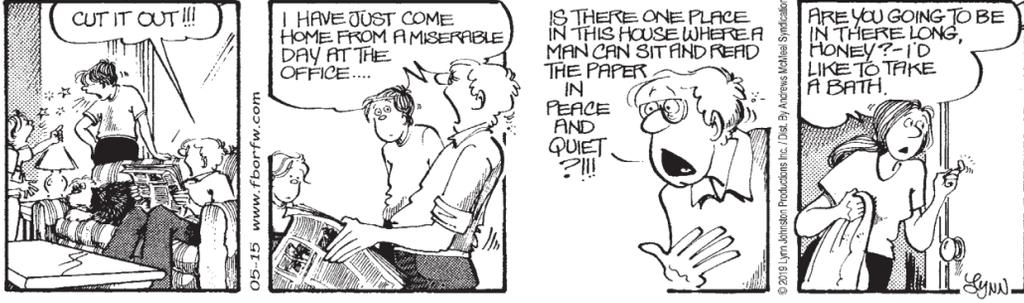
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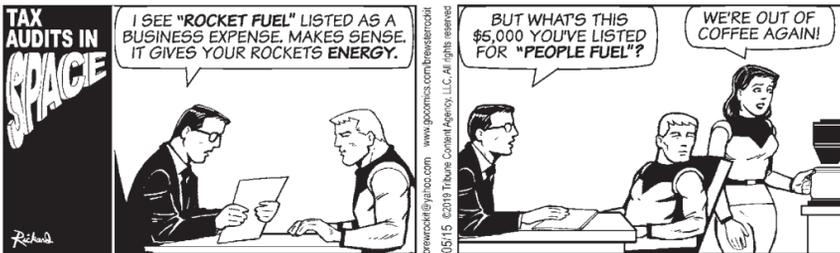
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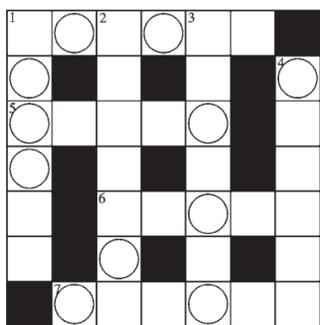
The Treaty of Versailles helped to end which conflict?

- A) American Revolutionary War
- B) French and Indian War
- C) War of 1812
- D) World War I

Tuesday's answer: Elton John made his U.S. debut playing six sold-out shows at the Troubadour in August 1970.

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Jumble Crossword



- ACROSS**
- 1. Permissible
 - 5. Town
 - 6. Contaminate
 - 7. Fable
- DOWN**
- 1. Type of grasshopper
 - 2. Train
 - 3. Home to Kiev
 - 4. To play by

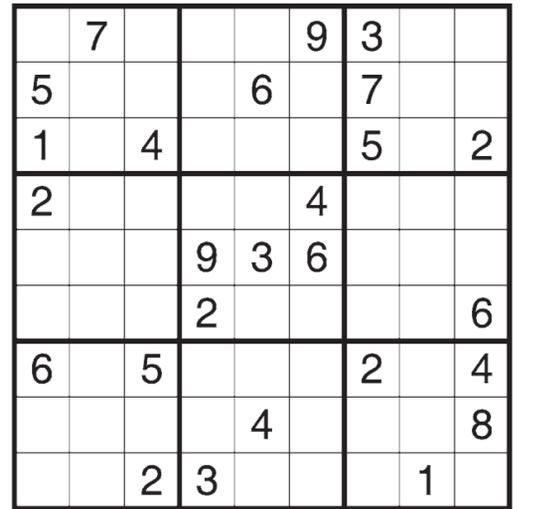
CLUE: ___ gained popularity in Europe in the 16th century.

BONUS [Grid]

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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9	7	3	5	1	8	6	4	2
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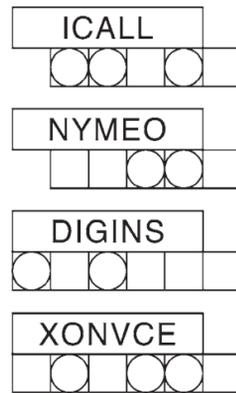
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Tuesday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



Answer here



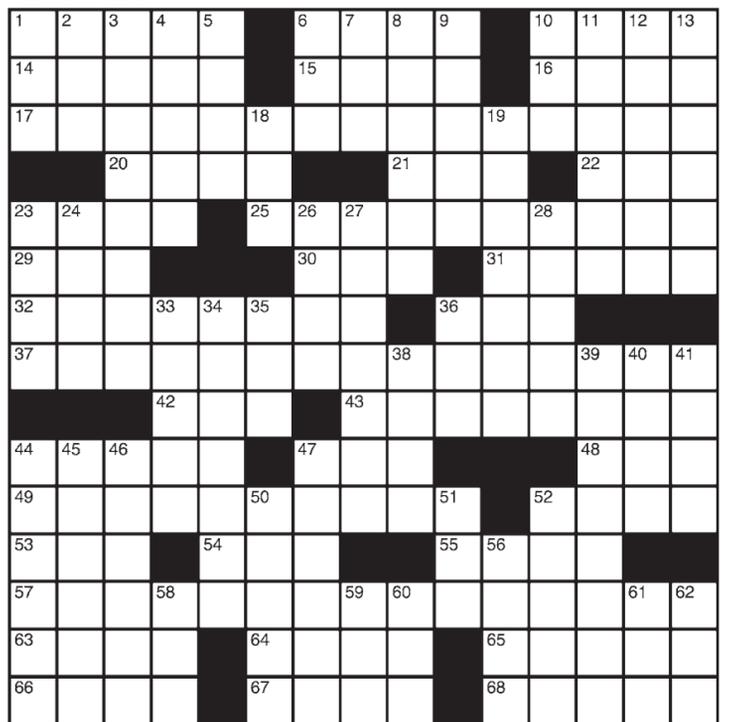
Tuesday's answers

Jumbles: LIMIT CAULK LIMBER ENTITY
Answer: The lawyer picked up new business because her happy customers were -- "CLIENT-TELL"

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Crossword

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Across

- 1 Passport stamps
- 6 Improvised knife
- 10 MRI output
- 14 Capital of Ghana
- 15 "Say Anything..." actress Skye
- 16 "___ and Abel": Jeffrey Archer novel
- 17 Sports page table
- 20 Plaza payment
- 21 Feel remorse over
- 22 Winter hrs. in St. Louis
- 23 Blog entry
- 25 Dissociative condition
- 29 "Who ___ to complain?"
- 30 Woman college basketball coach
- 31 Summit with an NCAA record 1,098 career wins
- 31 Nairobi's country
- 32 Insulin-producing gland
- 36 Left or right ending

- 37 Makes a case for, with "of"
- 42 Knot-tying vow
- 43 Like big lottery winners, presumably
- 44 ___ pad
- 47 Old Mideast org.
- 48 Reggae precursor
- 49 Intraoral piercing
- 52 Carnival
- 53 Brightness nos.
- 54 6-Down's sib
- 55 River swimmers
- 57 Talk show drop-by ... and a literal feature of 17-, 25-, 37- and 49-Across
- 63 Repast
- 64 Char on a grill
- 65 Popular Google service
- 66 About
- 67 Singer from County Donegal
- 68 Leaf under a petal

- 13 Snapple rival
- 18 Wee toymaker
- 19 Matching office accessories
- 23 Dad
- 24 Shortstop Vizquel with 11 Gold Glove Awards
- 26 ___ the crack of dawn
- 27 House-warming option
- 28 Aquarium beauty
- 33 Stage prompting
- 34 Stronghold
- 35 That, in Toledo
- 36 Online chats, briefly
- 38 Subdued hue
- 39 "Simple as can be"
- 40 ___ torch: luau light
- 41 What a tattoo may cover
- 44 Mark of shame
- 45 Kitchen toppers
- 46 Put into power
- 47 2019 Pebble Beach event
- 50 Wipe
- 51 "Weeds" law org.
- 52 Moth attractor
- 56 Units of energy
- 58 ___ Poke: retro candy
- 59 Settle
- 60 Time to remember
- 61 "Homeland" org.
- 62 Turn in the plumbing

Tuesday's solution



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WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 NORMAL HIGH: 70° NORMAL LOW: 48° RECORD HIGH: 91° (1962) RECORD LOW: 35° (1895)

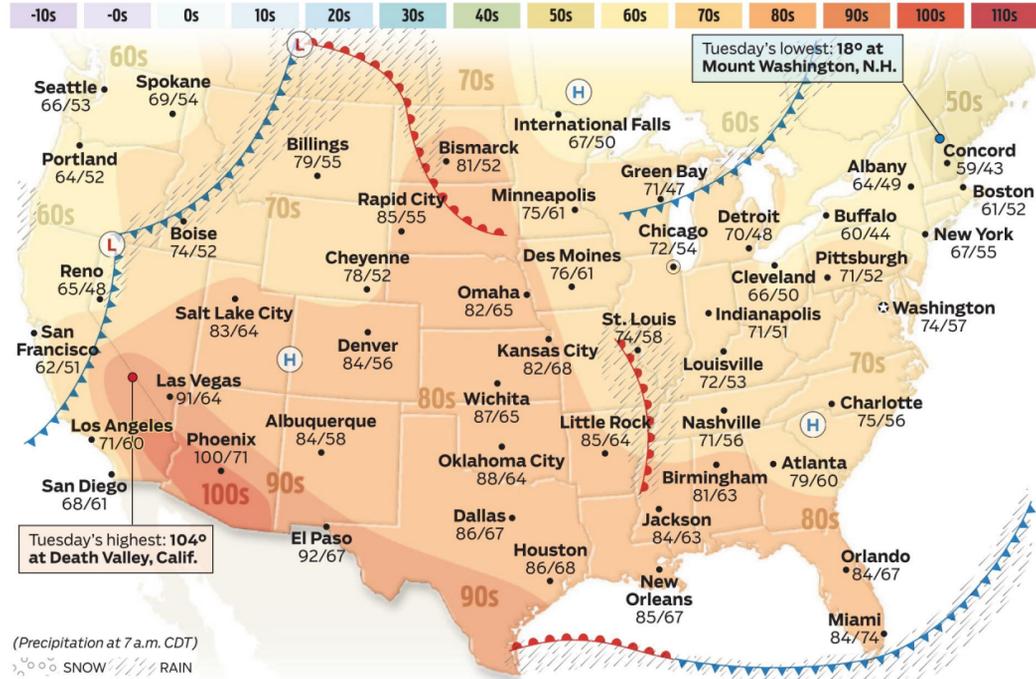
Above normal temps expected in week ahead

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 72 **LOW** 54

■ Weak high pressure overhead with a cold front to our north and a warm front far west.
 ■ Probably more clouds than sun with Chicago positioned to receive a little on-shore flow during the afternoon which will keep temps cooler right at the lake.
 ■ Inland a light southerly flow will prevail.
 ■ A pretty good temperature range across the area with readings in the mid to upper 50s right at the lakefront while they climb into the lower to middle 70s well inland.
 ■ Partly cloudy skies overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



With a pattern change aloft that will feature a more southwesterly flow, as opposed to the northwest flow we have been experiencing for some time, temperatures in the coming week will almost daily warm to above normal levels well into next week. However, a frontal boundary will never be far away with at least a portion of our area under the threat of an on-shore flow and cooling easterly winds off of Lake Michigan.

With periods of sun, Thursday will begin the above normal trend with highs reaching into the lower 70s (the normal high for this time of the year is 70 degrees). Thursday readings will soar into the lower 80s in some locations before the arrival of a cold front Friday that will push south of Chicago and drop readings somewhat below normal due to easterly winds.

THURSDAY, MAY 16

HIGH 80 **LOW** 58

Partial sun and increasing SW winds propel temps to near 80° in spots. Clouds build into scattered t-storms with the Chicago area positioned in a "Marginal Risk" for severe storms mainly in the afternoon and evening hours.

FRIDAY, MAY 17

HIGH 66 **LOW** 55

Cold front pushes south of Chicago with easterly winds off cool Lake Michigan. A few showers along and south of the front, generally south of I-80. Highs: 50s at the lake to 70s far south. Chance of showers overnight.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

HIGH 81 **LOW** 60

Warm front surges north with temperatures warming well into the 70s far north to mid 80s far south. Scattered thunderstorms possible during the daytime hours with thunderstorms likely overnight. Southerly winds.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

HIGH 77 **LOW** 58

Clouds a good part of the day with showers or t-storms possible. Highs 75-80 with cooler readings right at the lake. Good chance of t-storms overnight. Southerly winds except a little on-shore flow right along the lakefront.

MONDAY, MAY 20

HIGH 76 **LOW** 59

Sun in the morning, clouding up again in the afternoon with a chance of thunderstorms later in the day into the overnight hours. High temps in the middle 70s. SW winds.

TUESDAY, MAY 21

HIGH 73 **LOW** 53

Cloudy for the most part with a chance of showers/t-storms, but there will be many dry periods. Highs in the 50s at the lake and far north to the 70s far west and south. A chance of thunderstorms overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 My cousin in Gilbert, Arizona, claims they experienced more than 100 consecutive days of triple-digit heat last year. Could that be true?
 Thanks,
 Mina Kerr Wheaton

Dear Mina,
 It is not true. Gilbert, part of the Phoenix metroplex, is located about 22 miles to the east of Phoenix. While the area frequently logs more than 100 days of triple-digit heat annually, the record for the longest run of 100-degree days is 76, running from June 10-August 24, 1993. The second longest string drops to 64 days, observed in 1989, from June 7 to August 9. Last year Phoenix had 128 100-degree days, but the year's longest string was only 35 days. In 1989, Phoenix recorded a record 143 days with highs of at least 100, substantially beating runner-up 2003 that counted 129 days.

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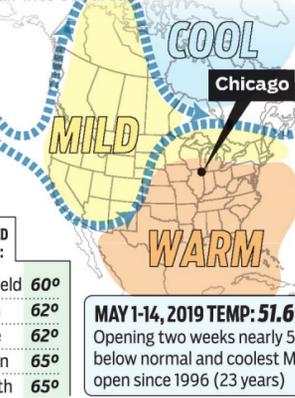
A change in the upper flow pattern to bring warmer temps

TUESDAY'S HIGH TEMPS
 Highs in Chicago reached 70° officially for just the 10th time this year
 Observed highs Tuesday:



WARMEST AREA HIGHS	LAKE-COOLED HIGH TEMPS:
Chicago Heights 76°	Soldier Field 60°
Downers Grove 75°	Evanston 62°
Lake Geneva, Wis. 75°	Wilmette 62°
Burr Ridge 75°	Waukegan 65°
Elmhurst 74°	Kenilworth 65°
St. Charles 74°	

PATTERN CHANGE FRIDAY
 Weekend warm-up begins Friday
 Change to a SW flow aloft beginning Friday and continuing through the weekend brings much warmer air into our area



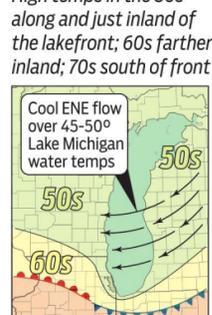
MAY 1-14, 2019 TEMP: 51.6°
 Opening two weeks nearly 5° below normal and coolest May open since 1996 (23 years)

THURSDAY'S SET-UP
 Potential for severe thunderstorms
 Chicago positioned in "warm sector" of Low pressure system



Converging winds ahead of cold front forces upward motion storm development

FRIDAY COOL-DOWN
 Cold front briefly sinks south of Chicago with an ENE wind blowing off cool Lake Michigan



Cold front moves back north of Chicago Saturday

MIDWEST CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Carbondale	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Champaign	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Decatur	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Moline	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Peoria	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Quincy	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Rockford	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Springfield	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Stirling	sh	72	55	pc	81	64
Indiana	cl	71	50	cl	78	65
Bloomington	sh	67	52	pc	81	65
Evansville	sh	67	52	pc	81	65
Fort Wayne	sh	71	51	pc	77	64
Indianapolis	sh	71	51	pc	77	64
Lafayette	sh	72	52	pc	76	64
South Bend	sh	71	51	pc	76	60
Wisconsin						
Green Bay	pc	71	47	ts	72	48
Kenosha	pc	68	49	ts	74	50
La Crosse	pc	75	58	ts	80	65
Madison	pc	73	53	sh	78	64
Milwaukee	pc	71	50	ts	76	61
Wausau	pc	71	48	sh	72	46
Michigan						
Detroit	sh	70	48	cl	69	61
Grand Rapids	pc	71	48	sh	75	57
Marquette	pc	52	41	rn	64	40
St. Ste. Marie	pc	57	39	rn	50	42
Traverse City	pc	63	41	rn	70	43
Iowa						
Ames	pc	76	59	pc	88	62
Cedar Rapids	pc	75	56	ts	84	62
Des Moines	pc	76	61	pc	88	65
Dubuque	pc	76	56	ts	83	61

OTHER U.S. CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	su	85	64	pc	86	67
Albany	cl	64	49	pc	66	45
Albuquerque	su	84	58	pc	85	57
Amarillo	pc	86	60	pc	88	62
Anchorage	cl	59	45	sh	55	43
Asheville	pc	70	48	pc	77	51
Aspen	pc	68	43	sh	67	41
Atlanta	pc	79	60	pc	83	63
Atlantic City	pc	68	55	ts	70	56
Austin	ts	85	67	pc	85	69
Baltimore	sh	73	57	pc	75	61
Billings	sh	79	55	ts	74	51
Birmingham	sh	81	63	ts	83	64
Bismarck	ts	81	52	sh	64	42
Boise	sh	74	52	sh	68	48
Boston	sh	61	52	sh	62	49
Brownsville	ts	84	74	pc	86	74
Buffalo	sh	80	64	sh	85	70
Burlington	pc	58	46	sh	58	46
Charlotte	pc	75	56	pc	82	62
Charlottesville	su	75	64	pc	80	67
Charlottesville WV	pc	70	50	pc	76	60
Chattanooga	pc	59	43	pc	64	41
Cheyenne	pc	78	52	ts	78	48
Cincinnati	ts	72	50	cl	77	64
Cleveland	pc	66	50	cl	66	61
Colorado Spgs	pc	81	54	cl	83	53
Columbia MO	pc	79	62	pc	87	64
Columbia SC	pc	78	59	pc	85	65
Columbus	pc	71	52	cl	76	63
Concord	pc	59	43	pc	64	41
Corpus Christi	pc	84	73	pc	83	75
Dallas	pc	86	67	pc	86	69
Daytona Bch.	pc	80	67	ts	82	66
Denver	pc	84	56	ts	84	62
Des Moines	pc	54	42	pc	63	42
El Paso	su	92	67	cl	95	64

WORLD CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Fairbanks	pc	73	48	pc	69	46
Fargo	cl	77	53	sh	62	34
Flagstaff	cl	71	42	pc	63	34
Fort Myers	ts	84	70	ts	86	69
Fort Smith	pc	88	64	ts	88	64
Fresno	sh	78	57	pc	65	54
Grand Junc.	pc	83	58	cl	82	52
Great Falls	cl	74	48	ts	64	43
Harrisburg	pc	72	53	pc	73	56
Hartford	pc	64	50	pc	69	48
Helena	cl	73	52	pc	66	44
Honolulu	pc	86	73	pc	86	73
Houston	pc	86	68	pc	87	71
Int'l Falls	cl	67	50	pc	57	35
Jackson	pc	91	64	pc	85	64
Jacksonville	pc	84	69	pc	87	70
Janeau	sh	56	42	sh	58	44
Kansas City	pc	82	68	pc	90	70
Las Vegas	pc	91	64	pc	89	62
Lexington	cl	70	50	pc	77	64
Lincoln	pc	83	63	pc	93	67
Little Rock	pc	85	64	pc	87	64
Louisville	sh	72	53	pc	80	66
Louisville	su	81	57	pc	85	62
Memphis	ts	83	64	pc	87	66
Miami	ts	84	66	pc	83	65
Minneapolis	pc	75	61	pc	87	67
Mobile	su	84	64	pc	87	66
Montgomery	su	81	60	pc	86	64
Nashville	ts	71	56	pc	83	65
New Orleans	su	85	67	su	87	67
New York	pc	67	55	pc	71	55
Norfolk	pc	73	55	pc	80	66
Norfolk	su	88	64	pc	86	67
Ola, City	pc	82	65	ts	93	69
Omaha	pc	84	67	pc	85	67
Orlando	pc	84	67	pc	86	67

WORLD CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Palm Beach	ts	82	72	ts	82	73
Palm Springs	pc	94	64	sh	78	56
Philadelphia	pc	71	55	pc	73	57
Phoenix	pc	100	71	pc	90	62
Pittsburgh	cl	71	52	cl	74	59
Portland, ME	sh	56	45	pc	57	43
Portland, OR	pc	64	52	pc	65	50
Portland, OR	pc	64	52	pc	65	50
Providence	pc	74	54	pc	81	61
Raleigh	pc	85	65	sh	76	47
Rapid City	sh	65	48	pc	57	41
Reno	sh	65	48	pc	57	41
Richmond	pc	73	53	pc	79	58
Rochester	sh	67	45	cl	61	51
Salem, Ore.	pc	67	52	pc	62	50
San Francisco	rn	62	51	rn	57	52
Salt Lake City	cl	83	64	pc	76	47
San Antonio	pc	85	69	pc	86	71
San Diego	pc	88	61	pc	86	59
San Francisco	rn	62	51	rn	57	52
San Juan	pc	89	76	pc	88	76
Santa Fe	su	76	50	cl	78	48
Savannah	pc	78	62	pc	84	67
Seattle	sh	66	53	sh	70	52
Shreveport	su	88	66	pc		

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Karolyn Schrage is executive director of the Choices Medical Services clinic in Joplin, Mo., which has a rapidly growing number of syphilis patients.

Syphilis cases hit rural areas

BY LAUREN WEBER
Kaiser Health

A fraying health safety net fails to stop STD

Pregnant women, young men and teens are all part of the rapidly growing number of syphilis patients coming to the Choices Medical Services clinic in a rural southwestern corner of Missouri. Karolyn Schrage, who runs the Joplin, Mo., clinic, says she can barely keep the antibiotic treatment for syphilis, penicillin G benzathine, stocked on her shelves.

Public health officials say rural counties across the Midwest and West are becoming the new battleground. While syphilis is still concentrated in cities such as San Francisco, Atlanta and Las Vegas, its continued spread into places like Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Oklahoma creates a new set of challenges. Compared with urban hubs, rural populations tend to have less access to public health resources, less experience with syphilis and less willingness to address it

because of socially conservative views toward homosexuality and nonmarital sex.

In Missouri, the total number of syphilis patients has more than quadrupled since 2012 — jumping from 425 to 1,896 cases last year — according to a Kaiser Health analysis of new state health data. Almost half of those are outside the major population centers and typical STD hot spots of Kansas City, St. Louis and its adjacent county. Syphilis cases surged at least eightfold during that period in the rest of the state.

At Choices Medical Services, Schrage has watched the caseload grow from five cases to 32 in the first quarter of 2019 compared with the same period last year. “I’ve not seen anything like it in my history of doing sexual health care,” she said.

Back in 1999, the Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention had a plan to eradicate the sexually transmitted disease, which totaled over 35,000 cases nationwide that year. While syphilis can cause permanent neurological damage, blindness or even death, it is both treatable and curable. By focusing on the epicenters clustered primarily throughout the South, California and in major urban areas, the plan seemed within reach.

Instead, U.S. cases topped 101,500 in 2017 and are continuing to rise along with other sexually transmitted diseases. Syphilis is back in part because of increasing drug use, but health officials are losing the fight because of a combination of cuts in national and state health funding and crumbling public health infrastructure.

“It really is astounding to

me that in the modern Western world we are dealing with the epidemic that was almost eradicated,” said Schrage.

Craig Highfill, who directs Missouri’s field prevention efforts for the Bureau of HIV, STD and Hepatitis, has horror stories about how syphilis can be misunderstood.

“Oh, no, honey, only hookers get syphilis,” he said one rural doctor told a patient who asked if she had the STD after spotting a lesion.

In small towns, younger patients fear that their local doctor — who may also be their Sunday school teacher or basketball coach — may call their parents. Others don’t want to risk the receptionist at their doctor’s office gossiping about their diagnosis.

Some men haven’t told family members they’re having sex with other men. And still more have no idea their

partner may have cheated on them — and their doctors don’t want to ask, according to Highfill.

It’s even hard to expect providers who haven’t seen a case of syphilis in their lifetime to automatically recognize the hallmarks of what is often called the “great imitator,” Highfill said. Syphilis can manifest differently among patients, but frequently shows up for a few weeks as lesions or rashes — often dismissed by doctors who aren’t expecting to see the disease.

After 2000, the current syphilis epidemic was most prevalent among men having sex with men. Starting in 2013, public health officials began seeing an alarming jump in the number of women contracting syphilis, which is particularly disturbing considering the deadly effects of congenital syphilis — when the disease is passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus.

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Adventures ahead for CPS Spanish teacher



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

The pale blue cinder block walls of Cara Bucciarelli’s classroom are mostly hidden by verb conjugations and posters of Spanish-speaking countries and bins filled with textiles from Peru and other educational accouterments. “What I think about a lot is how you make the unfamiliar

familiar,” Bucciarelli, 37, said.

I visited her classroom last week at LaSalle II Magnet School, a K-8 school in Wicker Park that emphasizes world language education. The roughly 600 students can choose Arabic, Chinese, French or Spanish.

Bucciarelli is one of 45 educa-

tors from across the United States recently selected for a National Geographic fellowship that will take them on individual expeditions to Central America, the Galapagos Islands, Antarctica, Alaska and more. Bucciarelli’s voyage, which kicks off in January, will take her to Costa Rica

and Panama.

“I’m hoping to bring back all the sights and sounds of the rainforest for the students,” Bucciarelli said. “I hope I’ll be able to draw some parallels to Chicago and my students’ neighborhoods

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Study: Autism diagnoses reliable at 14 months

Researchers say earlier detection, treatment should help patients

BY BRADLEY J. FIKES
San Diego Union Tribune

SAN DIEGO — Children with autism spectrum disorder can be reliably diagnosed as young as 14 months, according to a study by University of California at San Diego autism researchers. If results are confirmed by independent research, this would be the earliest age that has proved feasible.

Earlier detection means earlier treatment, which should improve outcomes, said Karen Pierce, co-director of the UCSD Autism Center for Excellence. Pierce led the study with Eric Courchesne, the center's other co-director.

Autism screening should be first done at 18 months, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. However, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the average age of diagnosis in the U.S. is 4 years.

That gap represents a missed opportunity to guide these very young children into normal social development, Pierce said.

"The brain is very plastic. It's developing at a really superfast pace from birth to age 3," she said. "There's a lot of connections that are formed between brain cells. So hopefully we can shape those connections."

The study was recently published in *JAMA Pediatrics*.

Results are based on development of 1,269 toddlers in San Diego County, selected from a universal screening program to detect possible autism. Children suspected of having ASD via screening were referred for an in-depth developmental evaluation by a licensed clinician to determine whether they actually had autism or some other disorder.

The toddlers were origi-

nally assessed between 12 and 36 months, and they had at least one follow-up evaluation.

For those originally diagnosed at 14 months, 79 percent were again found to be on the spectrum at follow-up. By 16 months, the diagnosis was 83 percent reliable. However, for those diagnosed at 12 to 13 months, the rate was just 50 percent.

Of the total number of toddlers assessed, seven originally placed on the spectrum went on to normal development, the study found. Contrarily, 105 toddlers originally diagnosed as not having autism were identified as being on the spectrum at a later visit.

"From a policy perspective, that tells parents and pediatricians to repeat screening," Pierce said.

The study is "well done and an important first step" to identifying autism as early as possible, said David Mandell, associate director of the Center for Autism Research at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Mandell said he and other autism experts have advocated earlier screening than what has been recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. The task force expressed concern that false diagnoses can cause harm by needlessly stressing patients.

On its website, the task force says "the current evidence is insufficient to assess the balance of benefits and harms of screening for autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in young children for whom no concerns of ASD have been raised by their parents or a clinician."

"It really flies in the face of the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and other physician groups," Mandell said. "And so different research groups have been scram-



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Karen Pierce, co-director of the University of California at San Diego Autism Center for Excellence, led a study that found that children with autism spectrum disorder can be diagnosed earlier than other research has found.

bling to try and put together pieces of the evidence."

Mandell said diagnoses of autism are known to be more stable than diagnoses of other developmental delays, for which the task force does recommend early screening.

A more skeptical view came from Mayada Elsabbagh, co-director of Transforming Autism Care Consortium and a research scientist at Montreal Children's Hospital.

Elsabbagh said the social and communications skills measured for autism diagnosis aren't fully developed

until toddlerhood. So a specific diagnosis in infancy isn't feasible.

However, she said it is possible to detect more general signs of developmental delay in infants.

"Therefore, while we can't tell if the condition we are dealing with is autism or another form of developmental delay or problem, it's critical that these kids and their families receive support and help during this uncertain period," Elsabbagh said.

Pierce said the study needs to be duplicated in toddlers living elsewhere

from San Diego. That is now being performed in Phoenix. The evaluation criteria she developed are being used by other researchers.

Moreover, the San Diego research continues. The study enrolled 2,241 children. The 1,269 children in this study are those who have been in the program long enough to get a second evaluation, Pierce said. The others will be included once they have been re-evaluated.

In the longer run, the study will look for signs that intervention is effective

in guiding children on the spectrum to normal development.

"We got all the kids in our study into early treatment and our next frontier is to check on them when they're at school age, to see how they're all doing," Pierce said. "Did all this early identification and getting into treatment and diagnosis pay off? Was that helpful to them in the long run?"

The research was funded in part by the National Institute of Mental Health, part of the National Institutes of Health.

An evolving way of talking about childbirth

Schumer, Markle among those offering real look

BY KATE THAYER
Chicago Tribune

Realistic depictions of postpartum women — like the photo comedian Amy Schumer shared last week on social media of herself just after giving birth — could improve the way our society views childbirth and women's health, experts say, which is especially important at a time when maternal health lags in the U.S.

"This seems to be one small and not revolutionary, but not insignificant step for women to say, 'This is real life for women,'" said Barbara Risman, sociology professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. "It's important when high-visibility women make it obvious that (pregnancy and childbirth) is actually hard labor."

Schumer gave birth to her first child, Gene Attell Fischer, earlier this month, shortly before Meghan Markle and Prince Harry welcomed son Archie Harrison Mountbatten-Windsor. Schumer soon posted a photo on Instagram, showing herself red-faced without makeup in her hospital bed, holding her baby as her husband kissed her cheek. And the royal couple scaled back the usual fanfare surrounding a birth in their family, waiting two days after Archie's birth to introduce him and allow for photos with a small group of reporters at Windsor Castle. Kate Middleton and Prince William, however, revealed their three children sooner after birth, emerg-

ing from the hospital in front of large crowds.

This generation of mothers is more likely to depict a real picture of pregnancy and the postpartum period, Risman said, bucking a longtime trend of society glossing over the imperfections and complications of birth.

"What we've done is ... protected young people from understanding the realities of the trials and tribulations of pregnancy and childbirth," she said. "That is beginning to crack, as women who are birthing are more empowered to say, 'I'm not going to pretend that this was easy.'"

The significance of false imagery like donning full makeup and looking perfect after birth has broader implications, Risman said. "It leads to this mythology that having children isn't dangerous work."

And that's serious at a time when the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports maternal deaths are increasing in the U.S., and most can be prevented, according to a report released last week.

Women's health and related policies for new mothers in the workplace have not been taken seriously in the U.S., Risman said. If society has a clear picture of pregnancy and childbirth and starts to value women's health, things could improve, she said.

A DePaul University project aims to shed light on true depictions of childbirth and postpartum experiences around Chicago in hopes of improving them.

The website, called Chi Birth Stories, allows women (or others present during a birth) to share details of a birth in the greater



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Above: Britain's Prince Harry and Meghan, Duchess of Sussex, with their newborn son, Archie Harrison Mountbatten-Windsor, at Windsor Castle. Left: Comedian Amy Schumer and her husband, Chris Fischer, with their newborn son, Gene Attell Fischer.

Chicago area. Enid Montague, associate professor in the DePaul School of Computing and adjunct professor at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine, said the site will eventually present a map of all the stories, which are told anonymously, and highlight any disparities. Last week's CDC report showed African American women are about three times more likely to die a pregnancy-related death.

"If people start sharing their stories, we can better start to understand the complexities (of childbirth)," said Montague, an industrial engineer who has studied and worked on patient safety solutions in health care settings.

Pregnancy and the postpartum period — defined as one year after giving birth — often are misunderstood and not talked about, Montague added. And prenatal care and childbirth are often someone's first real experience in a hospital, so they don't know what to expect or how to advocate for themselves as a patient, she said. The website will serve as a form of awareness, and solutions could follow.

"It's really supposed to be a resource for everyone," she said. "Transparency can be really helpful to new moms and give new moms a voice."

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Syphilis

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That can cause miscarriage, stillbirth or birth deformities.

Among those rising numbers of women contracting syphilis and the men who were their partners, self-reported use of methamphetamine, heroin or other intravenous drugs continues to grow, according to the CDC. Public health officials suggest that increased drug use — which can result in a pattern of risky sex or trading sex for drugs — worsens the outbreaks.

That perilous trend is playing out particularly in rural Missouri, argues Dr. Hilary Reno, an assistant professor of medicine at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis who is researching syphilis transmission and drug use in the state. Tracking cases from 2015 through June 2018, she found that more than half of patients outside of the major metropolitan areas of Kansas City and St. Louis reported using drugs.

Federal funding for STD prevention has stayed relatively flat since 2003, with \$157.3 million allocated for fiscal year 2018. But that amounts to a nearly 40% decrease in purchasing power over that time, according to the National Coalition of STD Directors.

In Missouri, CDC annual funding has been cut by over \$354,000 from 2012 to 2018 — a 17% decrease even as the number of cases quadrupled, Highfill said.

Iowa, too, has seen its STD funding cut by \$82,000 over the past decade, according to Iowa Department of Health's STD program manager George Walton.

"It is very difficult to get ahead of an epidemic when case counts are steadily — sometimes rapidly — increasing and your resources are at best stagnant," Walton said. "It just becomes overwhelming."

Highfill bemoaned that legislatures in Texas, Ore-

gon and New York have all allocated state money to raise awareness or provide transportation to local clinics. Missouri has not allocated anything.

In the digital age, fighting syphilis is much harder for public health responders, said Rebekah Horowitz, a senior program analyst on HIV, STDs and viral hepatitis at the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

The increased use of anonymous apps gives people greater access to more sexual partners, she said.

Tracking down those partners is now much harder than camping out at the local bar in town.

"We can't get inside of Grindr and do our traditional public health efforts," she said.

That's not to say Highfill's department hasn't tried. It has engineered a series of educational ads on Instagram, Grindr and Facebook displaying messages such as "Knowledge looks good on you."

Highfill would love to do more — if Missouri had the money.

Public health clinics nationwide have also had to limit hours, reduce screening and increase fees that can reach \$400. And some run by health departments across the country have been forced to close — at least 21 in 2012 alone, according to CDC data.

In Missouri, restrictions on Planned Parenthood's Medicaid reimbursements that were passed last year in the legislature, and are again under debate, mean the nonprofit organization cannot be reimbursed for STD treatment for some patients.

That is another crack in the already failing public health infrastructure, said Reno, the Washington University professor who also serves as the medical director of the St. Louis County Sexual Health Clinic.

"We have a system that's not even treading water," she said. "We are the ship that is listing to the side."



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Spanish teacher Cara Bucciarelli, who has been selected for a National Geographic fellowship for teachers, with fifth graders at LaSalle II Magnet School in Chicago.

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and all the resources that are there — natural resources that maybe they don't see initially, like parks and forest preserves, but also what other resources are available to them that they may not be aware of."

Bucciarelli isn't the first Chicago Public Schools teacher to be selected for the 13-year-old fellowship, whose official title is the National Geographic Grosvenor Teacher Fellowship, named for National Geographic Society chairman emeritus Gilbert M. Grosvenor. The annual expeditions were donated to National Geographic by Sven-Olof Lindblad and Lindblad Expeditions in 2006. Five CPS teachers have embarked on the expeditions in past years, though Bucciarelli is the first Spanish teacher to do so, according to a Chicago Public Schools spokesman. Most of the selected educators teach science or social studies.

"As a language teacher, my goal is to build connections and make compar-

sons and build communities around language," Bucciarelli said. "Whether we're talking about an indigenous group in Panama or we're talking about something that's closer to home, it's getting students to think a little bit outside themselves."

Each of Bucciarelli's grades focuses on a single Spanish-speaking country, which allows her to weave cultural learning into lessons about grammar and language.

"They have to learn to talk about something, so we talk about science, we talk about social studies, we talk about art," she said. "We talk about water scarcity. We talk about the water wars that happened in 2000 in Bolivia and whether water should be privatized and what does it mean to lack water. We talk about what it means for Peru or Argentina when glaciers are starting to melt."

Her eight-day voyage to Panama and Costa Rica, she hopes, will provide her with stories and photos and data and details to bring to her students. She'll share her ship with a group of naturalists, scientists and photographers. The

group will spend time along the Osa Peninsula on the Pacific coast of Costa Rica and travel along the Panama Canal.

Bucciarelli also wants her trip to feed her students' imaginations — about where they could go, about what they could see.

"I was a first-generation college student and I remember thinking, 'Oh! I could learn another language? I could go do these things that seem really challenging or far away?' I want them to see that you can pretty much go anywhere."

What a gift. "What we want is to raise global citizens," Bucciarelli said. "What we want is compassionate, concerned, action-oriented kids who are going to be able to solve some of the problems that we've created."

Even if it means heading toward the equator to do so.

Join the Heidi Stevens *Balancing Act* Facebook group, where she continues the conversation around her columns and hosts occasional live chats.

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PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Eating cabbage may help control excess iron levels

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
King Features Syndicate

Q: I was diagnosed with hemochromatosis 10 years ago. In the beginning, I had a phlebotomy every three months to remove the excess iron from my blood. Four years ago, I read that cabbage will "melt" the iron in your blood. I changed my diet to a low red meat intake and foods low in iron. I also started eating cabbage every day, and since then a regular phlebotomy has not been necessary.

A: Hemochromatosis is a genetic disorder that leads to a dangerous buildup of iron in the body. If left untreated, the excess iron can cause a range of chronic conditions, including heart problems, arthritis, diabetes and certain cancers.

The usual treatment is bloodletting (phlebotomy). For many patients this is critical. Iron chelators can also be prescribed to pull excess iron from the body.

We could find no research supporting a cabbage-heavy diet for managing hemochromatosis. However, we have heard from a number of individuals that they find this dietary approach helpful. Regular blood testing is crucial regardless of the treatment strategy.

Q: I have eczema. My dermatologist has prescribed topical medications like hydrocortisone for at least 10 years. Despite this, the patches are getting out of control.

A: I've heard that there is no cure for eczema, but I hope that there is a natural remedy that would clear it up. The topical medications and shampoos for eczema on the scalp are very pricey and



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don't work very well.

A. Eczema, often associated with red, itchy patches of dry skin, appears to be more common in people with allergies. Perhaps that indicates that a sensitive immune system is behind it. Some people with eczema have found that Noxzema moisturizer can be helpful. Other options include CeraVe Moisturizing Cream or CamoCare Soothing Cream. Borage oil supplements or drinking oolong tea may also be helpful.

Q: My husband has an implanted morphine pump to treat chronic pain. He's used it for 10 years. Recently, his doctor suggested CBD. The pills are a bit pricey, but we've also had success with less-expensive oil, which he can take by the teaspoon. And CBD does not make you high.

A. Cannabidiol is a natural compound that can be found in both marijuana and hemp plants. As you state, CBD is not psychoactive. The FDA has approved a purified form of CBD (Epidiolex) for hard-to-treat childhood epilepsy, but there is very little research on using it for pain. We are glad it has been so helpful for your husband.

Q: I have low chole-

sterol. My LDL was 17 when last checked, and my total cholesterol was 82. My triglycerides were 32. I weigh 160 pounds and am 6 feet tall. I cannot find a doctor who thinks my cholesterol numbers are a problem, but I feel awful and have no energy. How do you raise cholesterol?

A. A study published in the journal *Neurology* (April 10, 2019) suggests that women with LDL cholesterol below 70 are at double the risk for a bleeding (hemorrhagic) stroke. Those with the lowest triglycerides (under 74 mg/dL) were also more susceptible to bleeding strokes. Data from the Taiwan Stroke Registry involving 40,000 patients demonstrate a link between low total cholesterol and a risk of bleeding in the brain (PLOS One, April 19, 2017).

There are no FDA-approved medications to raise cholesterol. Most health professionals discourage a diet high in saturated fat on the grounds that it might elevate cholesterol and the risk for a heart attack or clotting stroke.

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Moms-to-be teach each other in group sessions

The conversation flows in monthly prenatal visits

BY LINDSEY TANNER
Associated Press

ASHEVILLE, N.C. — In a big room full of moms-to-be, pregnant women check each other's blood pressure and weight, a nurse-midwife measures their growing bellies, and they all join a seated circle for two hours of candid talk about what to expect when you're expecting.

A young woman's revelation about her strange cravings for glue and fabric softener gets some chuckles, followed by the nurse's explanation that odd signs like that can signal iron deficiency. It's the kind of quirky topic that doesn't always surface in typical 15-minute prenatal check-ups, when doctors can seem rushed and patients hesitant to mention those little nagging worries that may seem inconsequential.

But in a more relaxed group setting, women open up and conversation flows beyond vital signs, weight gain and due dates.

"I can tell them it's normal, but if you have another mom in the group who says, 'Oh, that happened to me, it's normal.' It's more acceptable, if it comes from a peer," said Laura Moore, a nurse at the Asheville, N.C., clinic.

Pregnant women at the clinic can opt to join a group session for their monthly checkups instead of the traditional one-on-one office visits with their doctor that are usually recommended.

Monthly weekday sessions involve about 10 women, all at the same stage of pregnancy. A nurse or nurse-midwife typically oversees discussions on topics including common pregnancy discomforts, stress management, nutrition and inducing labor. Fathers or other partners are invited to attend and



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Hayley Heninger, from left, Morgan Shirley and Kailee Morel Alvarez share their pregnancy experiences during a group prenatal session in Asheville, N.C.

participate. But mothers-to-be take the lead role, teaching by sharing their pregnancy experiences.

Kailee Morel Alvarez had never heard of group prenatal visits when she learned she was pregnant last summer. But the 21-year-old and her husband were sold after their first visit to Mountain Area Health Education Center's OB-GYN clinic. Her daughter, Sofia, was born in February.

"Definitely the best part was having other women going through the exact same thing I was, at the same time," she said.

"At first, I was really worried about if the baby was getting everything she needs, is she growing normally," Morel Alvarez said. Later on, she was troubled by cramps and early contractions. Learning that other women were experi-

encing all those things too "was super helpful" she said.

This low-tech approach hardly seems the epitome of 21st-century medicine. But group prenatal care may have important benefits beyond camaraderie. Some studies have found fewer preterm births, low-birth-weight babies and newborns requiring intensive care; and higher breastfeeding rates in women who receive group care.

It's a model the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recently endorsed as a promising option.

Health insurance typically covers group care. While rising numbers of U.S. centers provide the visits, Jessica Lewis, deputy director of pregnancy research at Yale School of Public Health, said re-

search shows only 3% of U.S. women receive group care. Some choose not to, but many aren't offered it. One reason more health centers don't have them is the startup costs for staff training and a meeting space.

Lewis co-authored the largest study to date, involving 9,300 women who had group sessions at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville. Almost six years of data showed women who attended at least five group sessions were 70% less likely to have preterm and low-birth-weight babies than women who got individual care. The study involved a program Lewis co-founded called Expect with Me.

How group prenatal care might lead to mother-and-child health improvements is unclear. For some women, it's the first time in their

adult lives that they've sought medical attention, and Lewis said pregnancy "offers a wonderful window of opportunity, when women are motivated to make a lot of behavior changes. They stop smoking, drinking, they start eating better."

Group sessions can facilitate those changes and more, which may contribute to improving babies' outcomes, Lewis said.

Some doctors think benefits may be related to reducing stress. High levels of stress and anxiety during pregnancy, from relationship or financial difficulties, struggles raising other children while working long hours, worrying excessively about labor and delivery — can increase women's blood pressure and stress hormone levels and have been linked with complications including

preterm birth.

The Asheville clinic, which uses a program called Centering, has offered group care since 2013; last year 400 women took part. Yet fewer than one-third of pregnant women offered that option choose it. Lack of on-site child care is one reason. For other women, the idea just seems too foreign, said Amber McCarter, a program outreach specialist.

For Kiana Burgin, the two-hour morning visits made taking time off from her factory job 45 minutes away stressful. She loved the support-group setting but missed the individual, personalized attention she got while pregnant with her daughter, now 5. Her son, Christopher, was born in January and Burgin says she'd probably go back to one-on-one care if she has more children.



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REVIEW: Jeong ★★★

Hanbun's duo revives wizardry under new name

BY PHIL VETTEL
 Chicago Tribune

Once upon a time, there was a cute food stall in a west suburban mall, where a young couple's disarmingly "quick and simple" lunch food developed a huge following, which led to a series of modern-Korean tasting dinners that sold out weeks in advance.

And now the couple — David Park and Jennifer Tran, known for the now-closed Hanbun — are practicing their culinary wizardry in Noble Square. The good news is that it won't take weeks to get a reservation (though prime-time

weekend tables are in high demand), and you need not commit to a tasting menu (though there is one, and it's spectacular).

The bad news — actually, there's no bad news. Named for Park's grandmother (her maiden name), Jeong is a start-to-finish delight.

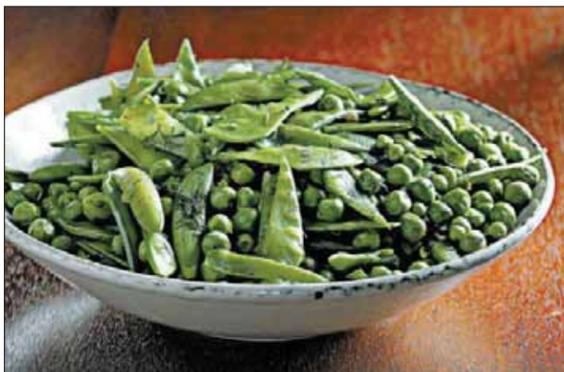
Taking over the space that was home to Green Zebra for more than a dozen years, Jeong's 40-seat dining room is done in dark wood and soft overhead lighting. A long rice-paper screen hides the entry corridor and allows more

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E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Tteokbokki, presented as schmaltz-poached, finger-shaped rice cakes (looking for all the world like baby carrots), are bathed in a spicy chile sauce and topped with marinated quail eggs.



A trio of peas — snow peas, sugar snaps and English — mix together for a bountiful bowl. After a dunk in boiling water, they need just some butter, fresh herbs and a hit of salt.

Don't miss fresh peas

When the brief pod season hits, grab them — and make these 3 easy recipes



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Spring pea and poblano soup can be served hot or cold.



JEANMARIE BROWNSON
Dinner at Home

Now is the time to embrace the emerald green wonders of spring: sweet peas. Fresh, sweet green peas are one of the few vegetables found only in their brief season. Beyond spring, fresh pod peas (aka shelling peas or English peas) barely exist.

For a few brief spring weeks, fresh shelling peas grace the bins at farmers

markets and produce stands ready for shucking. If you've not cooked fresh peas, know that their sweetness and deep, green vegetable flavor are like none other. Like sweet corn, the natural sugars in the peas change as they age — even day-old peas have a different sweetness than fresh-picked. If you're into it, buy both and cook them side by side. You'll taste the difference.

Shucking peas sounds like a romantic job best done on the porch rocking chair. True, but shucking during a Netflix marathon works too. Simply hold the pea pod with the seam toward you and pop it open at the end opposite where it was attached to the vine. Use your fingertip to dislodge the peas into

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diffused light. A console in the center of the room holds stemware and water pitchers, and provides a visual break between the north and south tables. A more profit-conscious owner would find a way to squeeze two or three two-tops in that middle, but that's not what Park and Tran are about.

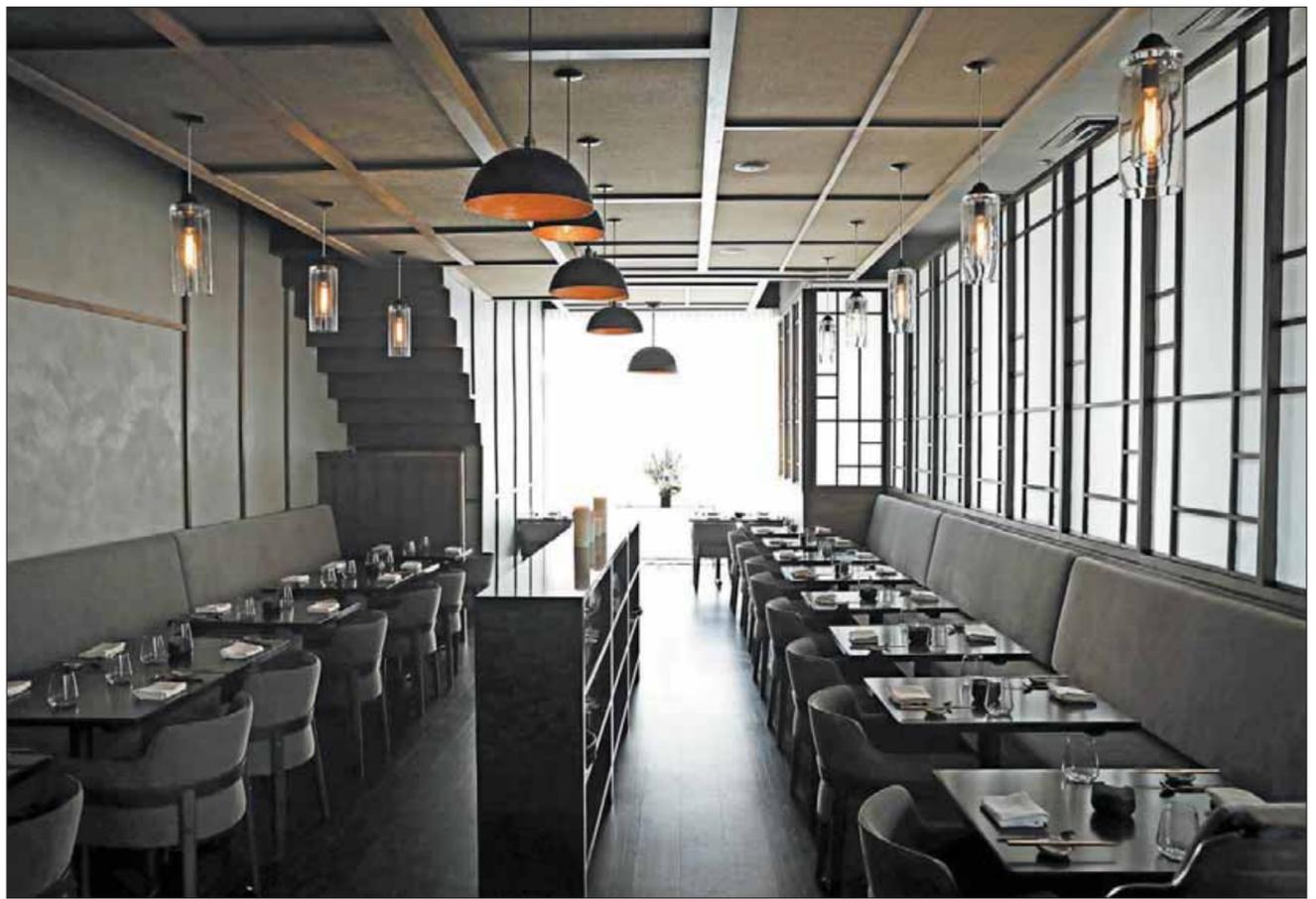
The optional tasting menu, \$87 for seven courses, is a conspicuous bargain compared with menus of similar size and skill. It begins with a mix of house-made silken tofu with king crab and chile-braised fern, with a green-plum dressing; followed by a gorgeous disk of salmon tartare topped with crispy rice-crinkle pearls, yuzu-blended creme fraiche and nasturtium petals.

The tasting also includes a large seared scallop over clementine beurre blanc, matched to a tall cylinder of namul (braised and seasoned spinach, a typical Korean side dish). Powdered scallion graces perfectly medium-rare duck-breast slices over a corn tea and soy glaze, served with rice and kimchi, and wagyu bavette sits alongside a sunchoke croquette over a spicy kimchi emulsion with truffle and sunchoke puree.

There's no drop-off in quality among the a la carte options, where starters are priced in the midteens and no entree tops \$32. Begin with curls of cured-mackerel sashimi, lightly sprinkled with genmaicha (a blend of green tea and roasted brown rice) and curved, atoll-like, around a puddle of vivid-red chojang dipping sauce. Beef tartare, served alongside buckwheat crackers, is blended with Asian pear and cucumber, and topped with a custardy deviled egg yolk.

Tteokbokki, presented as schmaltz-poached, finger-shaped rice cakes (looking for all the world like baby carrots), are bathed in a spicy chile sauce and topped with marinated quail eggs and pickled mustard seeds. Mandu (pork and kimchi dumplings) have enough heat to get your attention, carefully muted by Thai basil and a gentle duck emulsion. Wok-stirred broccoli offers a riot of textures and flavors, among them cubes of cured Fuji apple, roasted cashews, chile oil and smoked mayo.

There are four entrees, all terrific. A beautiful piece of cod is topped with smoked trout roe and surrounded by a seaweed broth bolstered by a few mussels. Kalbi, which typically consists of bone-in short ribs, is elevated considerably; Park's version offers a single, boneless hunk of braised meat with a



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Jeong took over the former Green Zebra space. The 40-seat dining room is done in dark wood and features soft overhead lighting.



David Park and Jennifer Tran at Jeong restaurant in Noble Square, which they opened after closing Hanbun in Westmont.

jus bearing fruit, garlic and sesame flavors, with a brown-butter and carrot veloute underneath and pickled vegetables scattered about.

Juk, a hearty comfort-food dish, is presented here as risottolike, creamy pearl barley with Parmesan-infused mushroom dashi and pickled hon shimeji mushroom caps, topped with uni tongue (omit the uni, and you have a fine vegetarian dish).

The must-have entree is the pressed duck confit; Park takes cured leg meat and presses it into a boneless brick; aggressive searing gives the meat a two-tone effect. Topped with marinated orange segments and a kabocha puree poured tableside, the

Jeong

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pressed duck looks dense, but yields to the slightest prodding of the fork.

Desserts entice and

delight. The chocolate cake arrives as a matcha-coated ball of cake and marshmallow, alongside black-sesame crumble and a swipe of chocolate cremeaux. Ginger shortbread cake with a bokbunja (black raspberry) granita center reminds me of a raspberry thumbprint cookie, only larger and more interesting. The chestnut financier with smoked-chestnut cream and doenjang (bean paste) caramel, topped with a whipped chocolate ganache, offers an abundance of complementary, comfort-food flavors.

A fine beverage program includes food-friendly, reasonably priced wines and a handful of inventive cocktails. I'm fond of the cava-and-sake based Yuza



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and the rye, cocoa nib and sherry Jujube, but I'm obsessed with the Gochujang, made with gin, calamansi and raspberry liqueur and possessed, as the name implies, of a memorably spicy kick.

Service, under the watchful eye of Tran (who rarely leaves the dining room) is attentive and well-versed, and more

enthusiastic than not. The one misstep in three visits came at a meal's end, when our server inquired about dessert and we, confessing ourselves sated, agreed to give the menu a glance. The server returned with the check; I may have looked a bit too sated at that point.

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BBQ jackfruit sandwich is more than a vegan consolation prize

By Joe Yanan
The Washington Post

Jackfruit has a lot going for it, including a low calorie count and lots of nutrients, but for plant-based cooks its biggest selling points are texture and mild flavor — when it's unripe. That means it can play a fun stand-in for pulled pork or chicken, especially with the right spices and other flavorings. It has even become a popular ingredient for pitmasters looking for a vegetarian option.

One of the easiest ways to

show it off is to cook it in some sauce and pile it on buns with slaw, barbecue-style.

The hardest part of this recipe, depending on where you live, might be finding the jackfruit in the first place. If you're lucky enough to live where they sell the fresh fruit, feel free to check it out. But don't get too excited, because the fresh stuff isn't what you want for these kinds of savory preparations anyhow. Instead, seek out the unripe fruit — also sometimes labeled "green" or "young" — that's canned and

packed in water or brine (not sugar syrup). If you have access to a store with lots of vegan products, you might be able to find young jackfruit by the Jackfruit Co. or by Upton's Naturals that's not packed in liquid at all, making it even easier to use.

Jackfruit has a little protein, but nowhere near as much meat, so I like to find a way to add protein to any dish I make with it. In these sandwiches, I add peanuts to the slaw, which also ups the crunch factor. Trust me, that's never a bad thing.

Barbecue jackfruit sandwiches

Makes: 4 servings

Unripe jackfruit has a texture akin to pulled pork, which has made it a darling among vegan cooks and eaters. Here, it gets combined with store-bought barbecue sauce and piled onto buns with an easy cabbage slaw that gets extra crunch (and protein) from roasted peanuts. Look for unripe (sometimes labeled young or green) jackfruit in water or brine, not sugar syrup, at Asian markets and supermarkets with large selections of vegan products.

Adapted from a recipe by Amber St. Peter in "The Ultimate Vegan Cookbook" (Page Street Publishing Co., 2018).

2 14-ounce cans green jackfruit in brine (not syrup), such as Native Forest brand
1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
¼ teaspoon Spanish smoked paprika (pimenton; optional)
1 cup vegan barbecue sauce
3 cups thinly shredded green cabbage
½ cup chopped roasted unsalted peanuts

1 garlic clove, minced
3 tablespoons vegan mayonnaise
1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar
¼ teaspoon kosher salt
Pinch freshly ground black pepper
4 hamburger buns, lightly toasted

1. Drain and rinse the jackfruit. Pick out and discard any seeds. Using a fork or your fingers, shred the jackfruit.

2. Pour the oil into a large skillet over medium heat. When it shimmers, add the jackfruit and cook until its moisture evaporates and the jackfruit starts to lightly brown, 5 minutes. Stir in the smoked paprika, if using, and cook until fragrant, 1 minute. Stir in the barbecue sauce and cook until the sauce thickens and reduces, 4 minutes.

3. To make the slaw, in a mixing bowl combine the shredded cabbage, peanuts, garlic, mayo, vinegar, salt and pepper and toss to evenly coat the cabbage.

4. Divide the sauced jackfruit among the buns and top with the slaw. Serve while hot.

Nutrition information per serving: 440 calories; 23 g total fat; 4 g saturated fat; 0 mg cholesterol; 730 mg sodium; 47 g carbohydrates; 8 g dietary fiber; 17 g sugars; 13 g protein. (The nutritional analysis was run with potato hamburger buns.)

Choosing wines with a story and cause

BY DAVE MCINTYRE
The Washington Post

How do you choose a wine? Whether it tastes good and how much it costs are the basic criteria of any wine purchase. Beyond that, how do you whittle down the choices to decide which wine to pluck from the shelf and place in your cart?

How about a wine made by a refugee dreaming of restoring his country's wine traditions? You might help promote Middle East peace, or ease poverty in one of the world's poorest countries.

More likely, you filter by where the wine is from — France, Italy, California? That could be wine preference, political preference or a reflection of what's for dinner tonight. Do you favor heavy bottles, believing the wine inside must be high quality? A lot of people do, judging by the number of wineries using heavy glass. Perhaps a pretty label, a map, a critter or even some fanciful artwork of a mythical beast will catch your eye. Some wines use a sort of virtual reality to draw you into an interactive experience, in which you download an app and point your phone at the label, which then comes to life. (Meanwhile, your dinner is getting cold.)

There is a saying in the wine industry: The label sells the first bottle, the wine sells the second. Quality means nothing if people won't buy it, but marketing is ultimately superfluous if the wine is no good. And marketing today is increasingly about the story behind the wine.

And it's not just wine. We may pay a little more for organic produce at the supermarket, believing it's better for the environment, or at a farmers market to support a local farmer. Folger's might give us a buzz, but fair-trade coffee is better for the environment and the farmers who grow



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Wines from Cremisan are produced in an old monastery that straddles the line between Jerusalem and the Palestinian territories in the West Bank.

the beans. Solar panels on our roofs, rain barrels on our patios and electric vehicles in our driveways are not just ways to save money on electricity, water or gas. They are statements about how we want to live our lives and the kind of world we want to leave to our children.

So why not buy a wine made by Abdullah Richi, a Syrian refugee who trucks indigenous Syrian grapes grown in conflict-ridden areas of his homeland across the border to his Dar Richi winery in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, and dreams of someday reviving Syria's wine traditions? Or Cremisan wines, made in an ancient monastery near Jerusalem with grapes trucked across security checkpoints from vineyards

in Palestinian territory? Or a Bolivian tannat, grown in some of the highest vineyards of the world, whose profits will help lift some of South America's poorest farmers out of poverty? You won't find those bottles in the traditional lists of the world's top wines.

Those pointed questions are posed by Peter Weltman, a journalist-turned-evangelist wine importer, with his company called Borderless Wine. Weltman preaches a gospel of sorts, in which wine belongs to everyone and is not confined by national borders or political disputes. Sporting a T-shirt proclaiming himself an "activist wine drinker," Weltman brought his altruistic message to Washington in April for an event sponsored by Rose

"Generation Z wants to know where a wine came from, what its story is."

— Rose Previte, restaurateur

Previte, proprietor of Compass Rose and Maydan restaurants.

Wine has been telling the world's story at least since the invention of the bottle, Weltman argues.

"The wine bottle was invented to travel, so it is one of the best ambassadors for the place where the wine originates," Weltman said during a panel

discussion and tasting that spilled across the borders of Maydan into Compass Rose, a few blocks away.

Previte noted that younger customers are more interested in the narrative behind the wine than its rating from critics. "Generation Z wants to know where a wine came from, what its story is," she said, contrasting that openness to a nationally known politician who balked at her unconventional wine list because he had, as she said, "lots of borders in his mind."

Maria Bastasch, beverage director for Compass Rose and Maydan, directly connected our wine choices with the world's most intractable conflict.

"If you have a chance to buy a wine made in Syria

using indigenous Syrian grapes made by actual Syrians, you make a connection with Syria and its people that goes beyond war and the images on the news," she said.

And that connection may take us beyond the simple calculation of price and taste that initiates our purchasing decisions. A story can be delicious, after all, and it can liberate us as wine drinkers and help those who make the wine.

"These wines break down the normative barriers that tell us what is good and what we should drink," she said. So choose a wine with a story and a cause. And take a stand while you pull a cork.

Dave McIntyre is a freelance writer.



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8 clever ways to use parchment paper

BY BECKY KRISTAL
The Washington Post

I've been using it for so long I don't recall when I first heard about parchment paper, but I do have a vague recollection of thinking the name conveyed some sort of official, fancy, tied-up-with-a-ribbon kind of purpose.

Thankfully, it's much more prosaic than that.

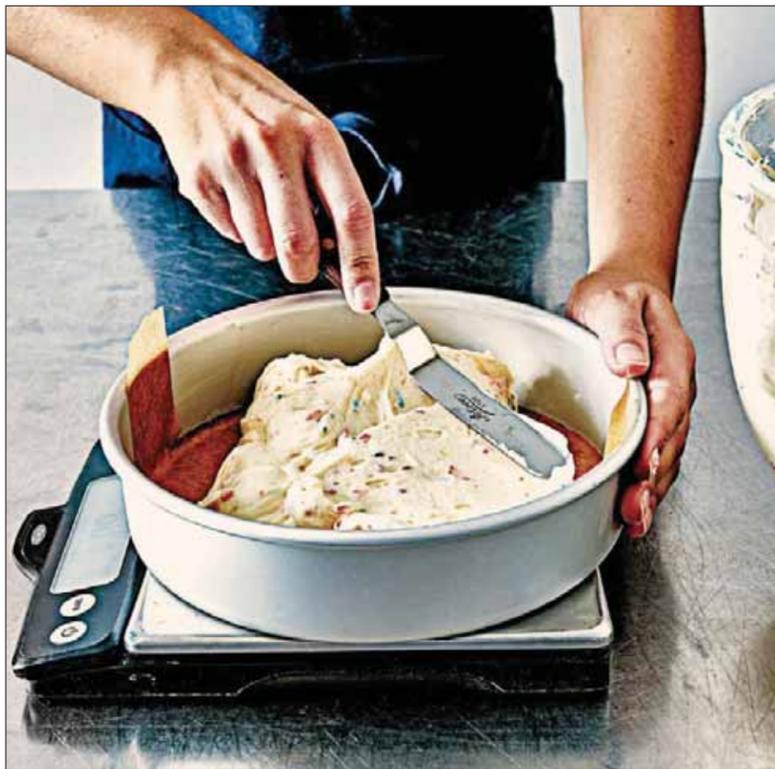
Parchment paper is one of the most useful, practical items to have on hand in your kitchen. Thanks to a silicone coating, it's resistant to grease and moisture, flexible enough to fold but sturdy enough to not tear. Parchment paper is also pretty heat resistant, capable of standing up to oven temperatures as high as 450 degrees. (Any hotter and it has a tendency to turn dark and brittle.) That heat tolerance is not the case with wax paper, so they aren't always interchangeable. You can buy parchment paper in rolls, or as pre-cut sheets and rounds to fit your pans with less waste. Depending on what you employ it for, a sheet of parchment can be reused several times.

Here are some obvious, and less so, ways to use this cooking essential:

Lining baking sheets.

This is probably the use you're most accustomed to. Lining a sheet pan with parchment not only protects the pan but also the food, whether you're roasting vegetables or baking cookies, biscuits and more. It can act as a layer of insulation between the pan and the food, to keep it from burning or sticking and to ensure even cooking. I prefer parchment paper over silicone liners for baking items such as cookies, which I have found spread too much when they're not on paper.

Lining cake pans. I've experienced the tragedy of a cake that doesn't turn out



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While greasing your cake pans, slide a round piece of parchment on the bottom.

of a pan and, my friends, it is not pretty. Save yourself the heartbreak. While greasing your cake pans, slide a round piece of parchment on the bottom. I will still grease the bottom of the pan even with a parchment round or square since the parchment has a tendency to curl back up if you've cut it from a roll, and the butter or oil acts as a glue of sorts. You can even buy parchment rounds with tabs that hang over the sides of the pan for easy lifting. Likewise, a sling made out of parchment makes it simple to lift a coffee cake or batch of brownies out of a rectangular or square pan for neat slicing and plating. Use two sheets of parchment paper perpendicular to each other, leaving enough overhang to act as handles when it comes time to

remove the food.

Pouring into a mixer.

Adding ingredients to a working stand mixer is a bit of a dance. A bowl is not ideal for accuracy or neatness, and not everyone has a flexible cutting board to do the job. Enter parchment paper. Use it as a funnel to pour ingredients (such as a flour mixture into creamed butter and sugar) directly into the mixer bowl without the mess.

Instead of muffin cups.

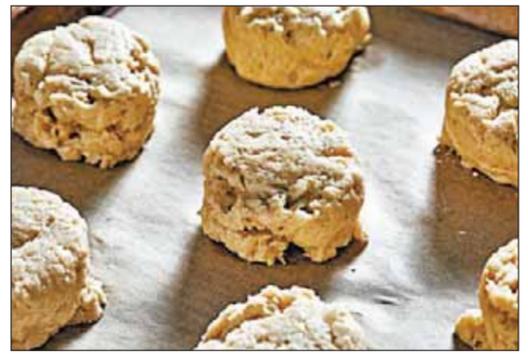
I'm not going to argue with the convenience — and cute patterns — of store-bought liners for muffins and cupcakes. But if you want a slightly more elegant appearance, pull out your parchment paper and get crafty. You can find a variety of tutorials out there, but essentially you want a square of

parchment and something to shape it around, namely a can. Even if your folds are not perfect, they'll still look quite nice, especially if there's frosting on the cupcake to distract you.

To roll. This is one instance where parchment and wax paper will work equally well. When you need to roll a log of cookie dough or compound butter, spread it in a line close to, but not at, the edge of the paper (typically the long side). Fold the paper over the food and continue rolling to form a cylinder. Finish by twisting the ends to close it off.

As a packet for cooking.

The French call this method *en papillote*, but we just call it brilliant. There's a lot to like about cooking in parchment packets: It makes for easy cleanup and a fun



Parchment can act as a layer of insulation between the pan and the food.



Parchment packets make for easy cleanup and a fun presentation for your guests.

presentation when your guests get to eat what essentially looks like a present and catch the whiff of aromatic steam when they open their packets. You can even let people fill their own packets for a pre-dinner activity. Tender, lean proteins such as seafood and chicken cook gently and quickly. Vegetables do well too, and you can mix things up with the liquids — broth, wine, coconut milk, etc. — you add to help steam the food, in addition to the herbs that will flavor it.

Storage. Parchment paper can keep your food neat too. If you're packing up a batch of cookies or any other kind of individual treat, sheets of parchment can keep the layers separated. While you would want to use something less permeable

to air for wrapping the exterior (plastic, foil, freezer paper), parchment paper can be placed in between food going into the freezer that might stick together, whether it's rolled-out pie dough or slices of bacon.

For decorating. You don't need a special bag or pastry tips to elegantly adorn a dessert. Sometimes all that's needed is a drizzle of icing or melted chocolate. In that case, pull out a rectangle of parchment and get rolling. You'll want to form the paper into a cone, but there's no way I will be able to describe it in words as clearly as if you watched a video. *Saveur* magazine has a good one. Depending on what other serving equipment you have and what the dish is, you can even use parchment cones to hold food, as restaurants do with french fries.



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Zwickel, an unfiltered lager, "can suit just about any occasion," one brewmaster says.

DRINK

It's time for refreshing zwickelbier to take off

BY ZAK STAMBOR
Chicago Tribune

If beer trends followed a logical path, we'd be starting to see the zwickelbier craze take off.

After all, zwickel sits in the middle of a number of disparate currents that breweries across the country have latched onto: unfiltered, hazy beers, such as New England IPAs; sessionable, well-crafted lagers; and a hyperfocus on freshness.

Zwickelbier is an unfiltered German lager that's cloudy, refreshing and sessionable. It's a breaded, yeasty beer that's balanced and unpretentious. It can appeal to those who want a "beer that tastes like beer" while at the same time having enough complexity for those who want to think about what they're drinking.

"It's a beer to drink Friday after work or with

complex cheeses or on a warm day after mowing the grass. It can suit just about any occasion," says Florian Kuplent, brewmaster at Urban Chestnut Brewing Co., which has been brewing its own take on the style since opening in 2011.

Sounds ideal for the current climate, right?

The only problem is that when it comes to trends, one plus one doesn't equal two.

And so while an obscure German style like gose may suddenly take off in the course of a few months, zwickel remains relatively unknown. That remains the case, even though the style has cemented its place in certain breweries' lineups. For example, Urban Chestnut's Zwickel accounts for about 40 percent of the St. Louis brewery's sales, and Metropolitan Brewing almost always has Heliostat on tap

on its taproom. (It's more widely distributed in July and August.)

One reason zwickelbier remains relatively rare is that it's best consumed extremely fresh, which is why Metropolitan doesn't bottle Heliostat.

"It should taste like it's straight off the tank," says Doug Hurst, co-founder of Metropolitan.

In fact, zwickel refers to a port in tanks that allows brewers to taste and test the progress of fermentation. While zwickel lagers are allowed to mature, brewers leave them unfiltered with a significant share of the yeast left in to give it a distinct mouthfeel and flavor.

Now that there's a brewery just about everywhere you look, the timing might be right for a style that revels in freshness.

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BEER OF THE MONTH

Half Acre's new Bodem IPA is 'sweeter and more full'

BY JOSH NOEL
Chicago Tribune

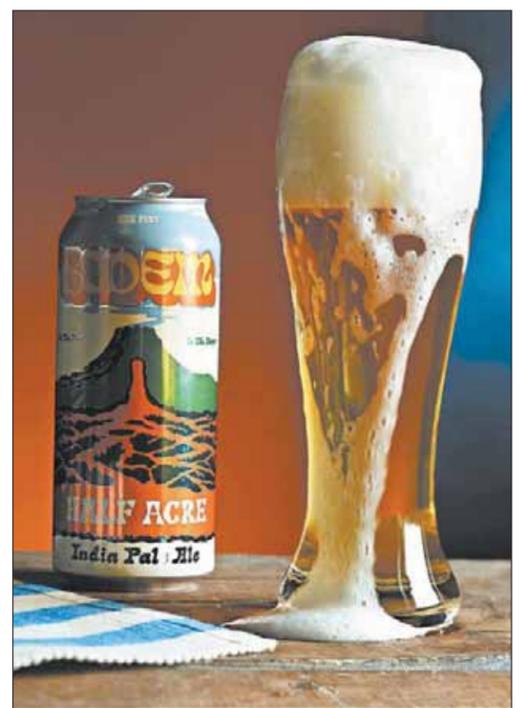
The beer: Bodem India Pale Ale, Half Acre Beer Co., Chicago.

The backstory: Half Acre's new year-round IPA is also Half Acre's first year-round IPA. Until Bodem, Half Acre rotated two IPAs six months at a time — the medal-winning *GoneAway* in winter and *Vallejo* in summer. While *Vallejo* will return for three months this summer on draft and in cans that will be sold only at Half Acre's breweries (and *GoneAway* will eventually return in an undetermined form), Half Acre finally plants its flag with a flagship IPA. And — no surprise considering Half Acre is one of Chicago's most beloved breweries — *Bodem* is a winner.

What head brewer Matt Gallagher says:

"It's pretty crazy that as a hop-forward brewery, we haven't had a year-round IPA until now. There's no strong reason for it; we just had a good thing going with the seasonality of *Vallejo* and *GoneAway* — a fun way to keep things fresh. We wanted to make a year-round IPA to simplify things for ourselves and our customers: a steady, reliable beer. We've learned a lot of new things and *Bodem* became a way to highlight some of those things — how to boost hop intensity while still making a balanced, drinkable beer.

"We spent about nine months bringing a year-round IPA from concept to reality. Matt Young, our director of brewing operations, took a stab and pretty much nailed it on the first try. Our goal was using hops in a different way than we usually do —



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For the first time, Chicago's Half Acre Beer Co. has an India pale ale that's available all year-round: *Bodem*.

no hops for bitterness early in the brew — and a different yeast strain that is much more expressive and has more fruity aromas. I get a lot of peach, stone fruit and tropical fruit notes from *Bodem*. Almost a little like fruit cocktail. In terms of body and mouthfeel, it's on the upper end of what we do. That was a departure for us. We use flaked oats and wheat to boost the body and its fullness rather than strive to have it dry out like *Vallejo* or *GoneAway*.

"We didn't go all in on the new school IPA style — beers we do as smaller, brewery only releases — but *Bodem* is a response to where drinkers are. Honestly, we were looking for something sweeter and more full. Most of our beers we've aimed to keep

dry and avoid sweetness. *Bodem* trends sweeter, though on the broader hoppy spectrum, it falls into the middle. We're exploring and enjoying and finding our own path. *Bodem* is definitely an update for us, but we didn't want a crazy departure. It's a nod to what's been going on in the craft beer IPA world in the last couple of years, but rooted in how we do things."

Alcohol: 6.7 percent

Find it: Available on draft and in four-packs of 16-ounce cans of both Half Acre breweries (4257 N. Lincoln Ave. and 2050 W. Balmoral Ave.) and better beer stores.

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Peas

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a bowl. It takes nearly 1 1/2 pounds of peas in the pod to yield a cup of shelled peas.

I must confess that I am a fan of the containers of shucked peas some market vendors sell — super time-saving. I can toss them in my weekend post-farmers market omelet, or have a fresh green vegetable on the table in less than five minutes. That is, if I don't munch on them all in their raw state of spring goodness.

No shucking required for spring's other pea offerings: Snow peas and sugar snaps. Snow peas, aka Chinese peas, are flat, pale green and picked and eaten before the peas inside plump. Sugar snaps likewise are consumed pod, pea and all. Both are much beloved for their crunch and readily available in small bags in most grocery stores. Do scoop them up when they appear at the farmers market — they have a superior crunch and sweetness to their packaged brethren.

Except for the very smallest snow peas and sugar snap peas, you'll need to string this type of pea. Simply hold the pea at the end that was connected to the vine and pull down to remove the string. The

Plenty of peas with butter and herbs

Prep: 10 minutes **Cook:** 5 minutes **Makes:** 4 to 6 servings

You'll need about 3 pounds peas in the pod to yield 2 cups shucked peas. Variations on this simple recipe include swapping out the butter for extra-virgin olive oil and/or changing the fresh dill to fresh basil. Caramelized sliced onions or pearl onions are gorgeous added to the cooked and buttered peas. I love flakes of Maldon sea salt here; of course, ordinary table salt works too.

- 1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) fresh snow peas, trimmed of their strings, cut crosswise in half or thirds
- 2 cups (6 ounces) small sugar snap peas, trimmed of their strings, optional
- 2 cups (about 10 ounces) freshly shucked green peas (English peas)
- 3 to 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill
- Maldon sea salt to taste

1. Heat a medium saucepan filled with salted water to a boil. Add the snow peas and the sugar snap peas. Cook, 1 minute. Add the shucked peas. Cook just until the peas turn bright green and lose a touch of their crunch, 1 1/2 to 2 minutes more. Drain well; return to the pan.
2. Add half of the butter to the pan; swirl to melt it into the peas. Stir in the chives, dill and a pinch or two of salt. Top with remaining butter. Serve right away.

Nutrition information per serving (for 6 servings): 113 calories, 6 g fat, 4 g saturated fat, 15 mg cholesterol, 11 g carbohydrates, 5 g sugar, 4 g protein, 118 mg sodium, 4 g fiber

effort pays off when the peas are eaten raw as a snack or sauteed or steamed as a vegetable side.

We tuck more pea flavor into salads and stir fries with fresh pea shoots (aka pea greens). The tender shoots come from a cultivar of snow peas and are used widely in Chinese cooking. Due to their popularity with chefs, fresh pea shoots now appear at farmers markets and specialty stores in addition to Asian markets. I buy pea shoots, which are extremely fragile, the day I plan to cook them — if kept

dry and refrigerated they can last a day or two at most. I like to use small, delicate-tasting leaves and tendrils in salads and as a garnish. If the shoots sport large leaves and thickish stems, saute them in olive oil — they wilt like spinach — for about a minute.

Life is good when I have all the pea options before me — so I cook them together and season them lightly with spring herbs, plenty of sweet butter and coarse salt. Peas in abundance mean a simple soup enhanced with the dark green flavors (and occasionally some heat) from a

poblano chile. Serve the soup hot with fresh cheese or cold with hot pepper sauce.

Dinner at Chicago's Michelin-starred Band of Bohemia inspired the recipe for skirt steak with peas and greens. The brewpub served the steak on a bed of grits. Brilliant textural contrast with the thinly sliced beef and delicate greens. Use pea shoots in the greens mix when they are available. Enjoy this dish with a citrusy sour beer or a wheat beer.

Of course, frozen peas can stand in for all the fresh peas in these recipes.



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Ginger-seared skirt steak is served on a bed of grits and is topped with peas, baby lettuces and pea shoots.

Ginger-seared skirt steak with peas, spring greens and creamy grits

Prep: 25 minutes **Stand:** 20 minutes **Cook:** 20 minutes **Makes:** 4 servings

- 3 small cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 teaspoons finely grated fresh ginger (or refrigerated ginger paste)
- Salt
- 1 pound well-trimmed skirt steak, cut into 6-inch lengths

Sour cream grits:

- 3 cups low-salt chicken broth
- 1 cup stone-ground white grits, such as Bob's Red Mill
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 to 3 tablespoons sour cream
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup (about 5 ounces) freshly shucked small green peas (English peas)
- 4 cups assorted baby lettuces
- 1 to 2 cups tender young pea shoots, if available
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 1/2 teaspoons white wine vinegar or sherry vinegar
- Oil in a sprayer
- Chopped fresh chives

1. **Mix** garlic, ginger and 1/2 teaspoon salt in a small bowl. Use the back of a spoon to lightly smear the mixture over both sides of the steak pieces. Let stand at room temperature, about 20 minutes.

2. **Meanwhile**, for grits, heat broth and 1/2 teaspoon salt to a boil in a medium saucepan. Stir in grits. Cook and stir nearly constantly with a flat-bottomed wooden spoon until boiling and thickened, about 5 minutes. (A spatter guard will help keep the stove clean.) Remove from heat; cover pan and let stand 5 minutes. Stir in butter and sour cream. Season with pepper. Cover and keep warm.

3. **Heat** a small saucepan filled with salted water to a boil. Add the peas; cook just until they turn bright green and lose a touch of their crunch, 1 1/2 to 2 minutes. Drain well; allow to cool.

4. **Put** lettuces and pea shoots into a medium bowl. Have oil and vinegar nearby.

5. **Heat** a large nonstick or well-seasoned grill pan over medium-high heat until hot. Spray the steaks with oil and add to grill pan in a single, uncrowded layer (work in batches if necessary). Cook, without turning, until bottom is golden, about 3 minutes. Use tongs to flip. Cook steaks until golden and medium-rare (no more), another 2 to 3 minutes depending on thickness. Transfer to a cutting board to rest for a few minutes. Cook remaining steak. Use a very sharp knife to cut steak across the grain into thin slices.

6. **To serve**, spoon hot grits onto the center of warm plates. Arrange steak slices over grits. Toss greens with olive oil, vinegar, salt and pepper to taste. Pile over steak. Sprinkle with peas and chives. Serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 526 calories, 24 g fat, 10 g saturated fat, 103 mg cholesterol, 43 g carbohydrates, 4 g sugar, 35 g protein, 293 mg sodium, 5 g fiber

Pea and poblano soup with queso fresco

Prep: 20 minutes **Cook:** 25 minutes **Makes:** 4 cups, 4 servings

Enjoy this soup warm topped with crumbled fresh cheese. Or serve it cold in small bowls drizzled with extra-virgin olive oil and hot pepper sauce. Use vegetable broth and unsweetened, thick canned coconut milk for a vegan version.

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 medium poblano chile, cored, seeded, diced
- 1 medium (6 ounces) red potato, peeled, diced
- 1/2 small yellow onion, finely chopped, about 1/2 cup
- 3 cups vegetable or chicken broth
- 2 cups (about 10 ounces) freshly shucked small green peas (English peas)
- 2 to 4 tablespoons unsweetened coconut milk or heavy (whipping) cream
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Garnish:

- 1/2 cup crumbled queso fresco, farmers cheese or feta, optional
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

1. **Heat** oil in medium saucepan over medium heat until hot. Add poblano, potato and onion. Saute until onion is fork-tender, about 5 minutes.

2. **Stir** in broth; simmer, covered, 15 minutes. Stir in peas; simmer, uncovered, stirring often, 3 minutes. Puree soup as smooth as you like with an immersion blender (or in small batches in a loosely covered blender and then return soup to saucepan).

3. **Heat** soup to a simmer. Stir in coconut milk or cream to taste. Season with salt. Serve in small bowls topped with crumbled cheese and cilantro. Or cool to room temperature, then refrigerate until chilled. Serve cold, with the garnishes.

Nutrition information per serving: 229 calories, 11 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 11 mg cholesterol, 26 g carbohydrates, 8 g sugar, 8 g protein, 546 mg sodium, 6 g fiber

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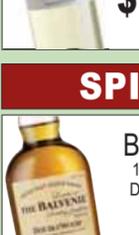
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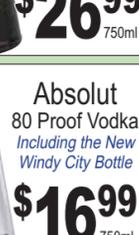
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Fresh appeal

How to make simple, delicious poke just like locals in Hawaii do

BY MARTHA CHENG | Special to The Washington Post

Frankly, I don't know why poke, Hawaii's raw fish salad, took so long to become popular outside of the islands.

Sushi and ceviche, other raw seafood preparations, have long been popular on the mainland, while poke has remained Hawaii's well-kept secret. Though it isn't really a secret there, but a staple. Sold by the pound and scooped into plastic containers in the deli section of supermarkets, it is as common as potato salad in Honolulu, where I live.

While elsewhere in America you might bring chips and salsa to a party, in Hawaii, it's likely to be poke. But poke is much more versatile. Here, poke is served everywhere, from tailgate parties to weddings to fine dining restaurants.

The most popular style of poke is remarkably simple, just five ingredients: raw tuna, soy sauce, sesame oil, sweet onion and green onion (scallion). But it is easy to see the appeal: The lushness of fresh fish gives way to the crunch and bite of the onions, the seasonings lending salt, umami and a nutty richness.

Because poke is so simple, it is easy to make at home. Served over rice or other grains or greens, poke becomes a meal that feels simultaneously casual and luxe.

Here's how to start making your own poke bowl:

Think about your fish. Or not. While poke is most often made with raw, cubed tuna, it doesn't have to be, especially when you don't have easy access to sashimi-grade fish, or when you are looking for a less expensive option. You can substitute cooked shrimp, firm tofu (atsuage, a variety of fried firm tofu available at Japanese supermarkets, is terrific in poke if you can find it); cooked mushrooms (such as portobello and shiitake) and even cooked beets (their ruby color makes for a great fake tuna). If you have

your heart set on raw fish, previously frozen salmon is a good, economical choice.

Add texture to each bite. The Hawaiian word poke (PO-kay) means "to slice," and that might be the thread that ties all poke together, because these days, you can find almost anything in it. It doesn't have to be raw, and it doesn't require seafood. Pretty much all poke is cut into bite-size pieces, about 3/4-inch chunks, and the rest of the ingredients, such as onions, should be chopped and evenly distributed. Think about adding crunch in each mouthful.

When I make poke, I like to think of its earliest form, made by ancient Hawaiians. Whatever fish was available. Salt harvested from the sea. Limu, or seaweed (at one time there were more than 70 edible seaweeds in Hawaii). Inamona, or roasted and crushed kukui nut — a soft, oily nut.

The flaky salt, seaweed and inamona add texture, so I make sure to add similar elements in my poke through nuts (macadamia nuts work well) and seaweed (try the "ocean salad," furikake, or wakame found in Japanese supermarkets). Ingredients such as onions, sea asparagus and tobiko are other options, and sliced wood ear mushrooms have a consistency similar to limu. I love fish roe, such as masago and tobiko, for their pop and taste of the sea. Chopped kimchi is also a great addition, adding texture and flavor.

Salt and season well. I like to make my poke with the elements of salt, fat, umami and bite, the latter achieved through something with zing, such as onions, ginger, chile or a squeeze of citrus.

Aficionados tend to fall into two camps: Some like their poke marinated for a few hours, while others prefer it mixed and eaten right away. If you choose to



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Spicy ahi tuna poke

Start to finish: 20 minutes Makes: 4 servings

Recipe notes:

Reddish-orange masago (capelin fish roe) is available at Asian markets and online. The poke mixture can marinate in the refrigerator for up to one day.

The recipe is adapted from Cheng's "The Poke Cookbook: The Freshest Way to Eat Fish" (Clarkson Potter, 2017).

1 pound fresh tuna, preferably sashimi-grade, cut into 3/4-inch pieces

1/2 cup thinly sliced scallion greens (crosswise; from 3 or 4 scallions)

1/4 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup capelin fish roe (masago)

1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon Sriracha

1 teaspoon soy sauce

1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt, or more as needed



1. Combine the tuna, scallion greens, mayo, fish roe, Sriracha, soy sauce and salt in a mixing bowl. Fold gently until thoroughly blended.

2. The poke is ready to eat, but it can be covered and refrigerated for up to 1 day. (If you plan to eat it later, taste for salt before serving.)

3. Serve in bowls.

Nutrition information per serving: 240 calories; 12 g total fat; 2 g saturated fat; 65 mg cholesterol; 580 mg sodium; 3 g carbohydrates; 0 g dietary fiber; 2 g sugars; 29 g protein.

marinate it, taste it before serving. You may need to re-season it with more salt.

Swap the grain. I find few pleasures as perfect as chilled poke on hot white rice. But there are plenty of other possible bases for a

poke bowl: grains including quinoa and bulgur, which has a fluffy nuttiness that I find a nice pairing for poke; soba noodles or tender lettuces/young greens. You can also combine poke, grains and lettuce for a take that reminds me of the

Korean raw fish and vegetable bowl called hoeddeop-bap.

The three most common poke seasoning combinations in Hawaii are soy sauce with sesame oil; Hawaiian-style, with limu and inamona; and spicy

mayo. Sure, you've probably had tuna salad with mayo before, but not like my accompanying recipe, with fresh chunks of raw fish in a creamy sauce punctuated with masago.

Just make sure not to go too over the top.



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Give mayo-heavy American potato salad a French twist

By America's Test Kitchen

American-style potato salad, thickly dressed with mayonnaise and sweet pickle relish, is archetypal picnic fare and will always have a place on summer tables. But we've looked (and eaten) piles of it over the years, and these days we yearn for something lighter and fresher to serve with grilled fish, chicken and even meat.

In our mind, French potato salad is just the ticket. Having little in common with its American counterpart, French potato salad is served warm or at room temperature and is composed of sliced potatoes glistening with olive

oil, white wine vinegar and plenty of fresh herbs.

We expected quick success with this seemingly simple recipe — how hard could it be to boil a few potatoes and toss them in vinaigrette? We sliced the hot potatoes, dressed them while they were still warm (warm potatoes are more absorbent than cool ones) and then served them up to our tasters.

The salad looked mangled as the warm potatoes consistently broke apart upon slicing. We had chosen not to peel the potatoes for the sake of convenience and beauty, but the potato skins inevitably tore, leaving

unsightly streaks.

And the salad didn't taste much better than it looked. Despite an assertively seasoned vinaigrette, the potatoes themselves were uniformly bland. Another irksome point was that it was hard to tell when the potatoes were done. Unevenly sized potatoes made it difficult to avoid some overcooked or undercooked potatoes in the finished dish. This wasn't going to be as easy as we thought.

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French potato salad with Dijon

Servings: 4-6

Start to finish: 30 minutes

2 pounds small red potatoes, unpeeled, sliced 1/4-inch thick (Use small red potatoes measuring 1 to 2 inches in diameter)

2 tablespoons salt

1 garlic clove, peeled and threaded on skewer

1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

1 1/2 tablespoons white wine vinegar or Champagne vinegar

2 teaspoons Dijon mustard

1/2 teaspoon pepper

1 small shallot, minced

1 tablespoon minced fresh chervil (If fresh chervil isn't available, substitute an additional 1/2 tablespoon of minced parsley and an additional 1/2 teaspoon of tarragon)

1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley

1 tablespoon minced fresh chives

1 teaspoon minced fresh tarragon

1. Place potatoes in large saucepan, add water to cover by 1 inch, and bring to boil over high heat. Add salt, reduce heat to simmer and cook until potatoes are tender and paring knife can be slipped in and out of potatoes with little resistance, about 6 minutes.

2. While potatoes are cooking, lower skewered garlic into simmering water and blanch for 45 seconds. Run garlic under cold running water, then remove from skewer and mince.

3. Reserve 1/4 cup cooking water, then drain potatoes and arrange in tight single layer in rimmed baking sheet. Whisk oil, minced garlic, vinegar, mustard, pepper and reserved potato cooking water together in bowl, then drizzle over potatoes. Let potatoes sit until flavors meld, about 10 minutes. (Potatoes can be refrigerated for up to 8 hours; return to room temperature before serving.)

4. Transfer potatoes to large bowl. Combine shallot and herbs in small bowl, then sprinkle over potatoes and gently toss to coat using rubber spatula. Serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 363 calories; 130 calories from fat; 14 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 674 mg sodium; 52 g carbohydrate; 6 g fiber; 6 g sugar; 6 g protein.

Tricks all cooks should know

By **KATIE WORKMAN**
Associated Press

There are certain small skills that make life better and easier. I'm well aware that many of them take place outside of the kitchen, and I probably don't know as many of those as I should. I'm of no use if you have a flat tire or need to calculate the circumference of something or want to find your way out of the woods.

But after many years of clanking around in the kitchen, I have collected a fair arsenal of cooking tips and shortcuts. Here are some that everyone should know:

How to quickly ripen avocados: If you have a hard avocado and you need it to be soft in a day or so, simply place it in a brown paper bag with a banana or an apple and fold the top to close it up. The natural ethylene gases emitted by the other fruit will cause the avocado to ripen faster. Depending on how hard your avocado is, it might take a couple of days.

How to mince garlic super fine: If you are using minced garlic in a dish, particularly a dish where the garlic is uncooked, big chunks are not what you are looking for. Just smash a clove or two (or five) with the side of a heavy knife, slip off the papery skin, and start chopping on a cutting board. As the garlic gets chopped, add a pinch or so of kosher or sea salt, and keep chopping. The salt acts as an abrasive so the garlic gets minced fine, finer, finest. Every once in a while, use the side of the knife to smear the garlic



KATIE WORKMAN/AP

From mincing garlic to making buttermilk, there are certain little tricks that make cooking easier.

against the cutting board, then scrape it back up and keep mincing. You can hear the salt crunching under the blade as it works to pulverize the garlic.

How to make buttermilk: Unless we are really planning ahead, when "buttermilk" comes up as an ingredient in a recipe, it's unlikely most of us have it on hand. Easy solution: Make your own. Place 1 tablespoon lemon juice or white vinegar in a measuring cup and then fill it with milk to the 1 cup line. I like to use whole milk, but you can also use 2 percent. If you see slight curdling, don't worry — it won't affect the finished product. This may not be as thick as regular buttermilk, but the acidity in the milk will perform the same function — getting you to a tender, flaky and flavorful baked good.

How to peel ginger with a spoon: Ginger's skin is thin enough to be scraped off with the edge of a teaspoon. In fact, it's easier to use a spoon than a vegetable peeler because the spoon can get into the crevices and navigate over the bumps more easily.

How to soften brown sugar: If you have a day or two, just place a piece of fresh bread in a container with the brown sugar, seal the container, and your brown sugar will soften right up. If you are in a hurry, place the brown sugar in a bowl, place a damp paper towel over it, cover the bowl with a plate and microwave it for 20 seconds. Check to see if it's soft, and if not, continue microwaving in 20 second bursts until it is. Use it pretty quickly, and when you store any leftovers, make sure to put a piece of fresh bread in the container with the sugar.

How to get honey (or molasses, maple syrup or corn syrup) out of a measuring cup: Anything sticky is just plain hard to measure. You pour it into the cup, or spoon, and then into your bowl or pot, and a thick coating is always left inside the measuring cup, drip drip dripping, but never fully getting out of the cup. The quick hack is cooking spray. Just spray the inside of the cup or measuring spoon with nonstick cooking spray, measure your sticky ingredient and it will slide right out. Cleanup is easier too!

SERIOUSLY SIMPLE

Dungeness crab, avocado tostadas celebrate California's bounty

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As a native Californian and author of three California cookbooks, I was intrigued with "Wine Country Table" (Rizzoli, \$45) by Janet Fletcher, the latest look at the California wine country.

This is a book to gift anyone who is a lover of California wine and the foods from the sustainable harvest.

From the myriad wineries to the farmers and the glowing produce and recipes, "Wine Country Table" delivers on its promise to share what makes the California wine country unique.

The book is divided into chapters that include the North Coast, the Sierra Foothills, the Inland Valleys, the Central Coast and Southern California.

Each chapter contains the counties that make up the larger area, with high-



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Guacamole adds a creamy texture to the tostadas.

lighted wineries and farms along the way. Recipes reflect the specific area.

There is excellent information on nuts and fruits, including how they are harvested, how to store them and kitchen tips to help the home cook.

I selected the following recipe because it exempli-

fies the ingredients and techniques of California wine country cooking and is simple to put together. I have made so many types of tostadas, including chicken, shrimp, grilled fish and pork, but hadn't thought of this fresh, light combination of crab with avocados and tomatoes.

Dungeness crab and avocado tostadas

Prep: 35 minutes **Makes:** 4 servings

- $\frac{2}{3}$ cup finely diced tomato
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup finely minced green onion, white and pale green part only
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chopped fresh cilantro, plus whole leaves for garnish
- 1 clove garlic, finely minced
- 1 serrano chile, finely minced
- 2 large, ripe avocados
- 2 limes, 1 halved, 1 quartered
- Kosher or sea salt
- 8 corn tostada shells, about 5 inches in diameter
- 1 head pale, crisp romaine lettuce, about 6 ounces, halved lengthwise, then very thinly sliced crosswise
- $\frac{1}{2}$ pound cooked Dungeness crabmeat
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup crema (Mexican-style sour cream)
- Mexican-style hot sauce

- 1. In a large bowl,** combine the tomato, green onion, chopped cilantro, garlic and as much of the minced chile as you like.
 - 2. Halve** and pit the avocados, then scoop the flesh from the skin and add to the bowl.
 - 3. Squeeze** the juice of half a lime over the avocado. Using a fork, mash the avocado coarsely, incorporating the other ingredients in the bowl as you work.
 - 4. Season** with salt, and add more juice from the other half lime as needed to achieve a guacamole with good flavor.
 - 5. Top** the tostada shells with the guacamole, dividing it evenly and spreading it to the edges.
 - 6. Top** each tostada with the romaine and then with the crabmeat, dividing them evenly.
 - 7. Drizzle** each tostada with 2 teaspoons crema. Garnish with cilantro leaves, and serve immediately with the lime wedges and hot sauce, if desired.
- Nutrition information per serving:** 384 calories, 25 g fat, 6 g saturated fat, 47 mg cholesterol, 30 g carbohydrates, 2 g sugar, 15 g protein, 382 mg sodium, 10 g fiber



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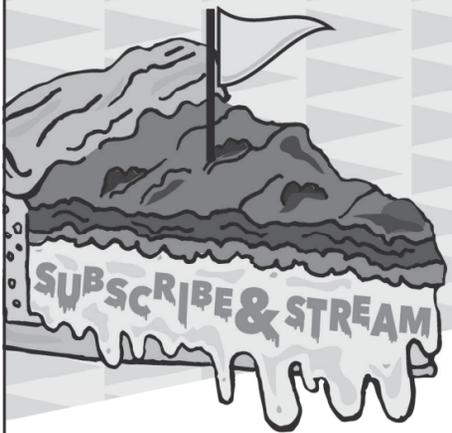
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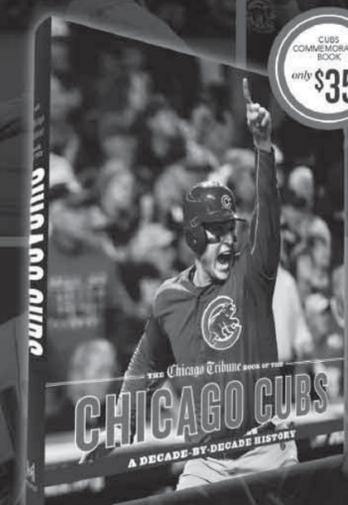
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