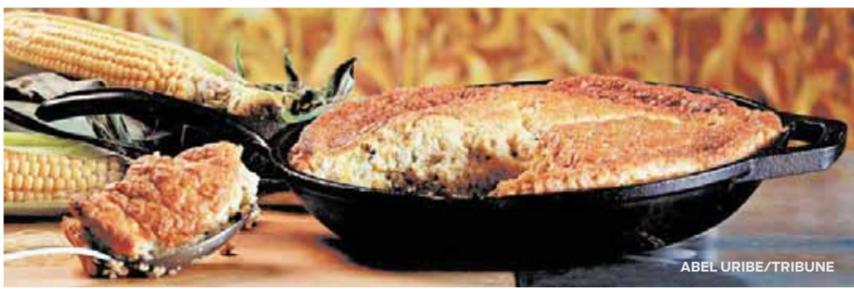


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The Obama Presidential Center is expected to take up about 20 acres of Jackson Park, above, and cost about \$500 million.

Opportunity, adversity foreseen in Obama center

Mayor hails S. Side 'honor,' but 'adverse effect' predicted

BY GREGORY PRATT AND LOLLY BOWEAN

Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot said Tuesday she will "strongly weigh in" to see that developers of the Obama Presidential Center on the South Side address the needs of community members and the issues raised in a new report indicating the development will have an "adverse effect" on Jackson Park's historic design.

The mayor said the results of the report — an assessment for city, state and federal

agencies of the project's impact on historic properties nearby — aren't a surprise because the area is being remade with the major construction project and road closures.

"The question is, 'What do we do about it?'" she said at a news conference Tuesday, a day after the assessment's release.

Asked whether she would force the Obama Foundation to make changes to its plan, Lightfoot said: "I don't think I should force anybody to do anything, but I will strongly weigh in about the need to

engage community members about the remaining issues they're concerned about."

Lightfoot's comments came just days after she met privately at the South Shore Cultural Center with two dozen hand-selected community members who were able to voice their concerns about potential displacement, rising housing costs, traffic, jobs and the potential economic benefits of placing the Obama Presidential Center in Jackson Park.

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To get kids school aid, parents cut them loose

State, federal officials decry using guardianship to skirt college aid rules

BY DAWN RHODES

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign stepped up scrutiny of some applications last year after discovering that Chicago-area parents were relinquishing custody of their children in their junior or senior year of high school, qualifying them for more financial aid than they otherwise would have received.

The practice came to light Monday when ProPublica Illinois and the Wall Street Journal described dozens of cases in which parents in suburban Lake County have turned over guardianship of their children to a family friend or distant relative.

It is not clear how widespread the practice is, but U. of I. had spotted 14 instances over the past year, according to undergraduate admissions Director Andy Borst. That prompted admissions officials to more carefully question those students' financial situation, requiring more information about, for instance, who pays for their health insurance and other expenses.

A student's eligibility for school, state and federal financial aid relies on the family's income and assets declared on a form called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA. When an applicant indicates — and proves through court documents — that he or she is under a legal guardianship,

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Marijuana may soon be legal but will it come to your town?

Local officials debating if/how pot will be sold come 2020

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN

Now that Illinois lawmakers have acted to legalize adult use of marijuana effective next year, the battle over where pot will be grown and sold shifts to local governments. County and municipal officials must decide whether to ban or allow cannabis businesses — and some are already acting to do so.

While local officials cannot prevent people from possessing pot come 2020, they may determine whether residents can legally buy it in their hometowns. Local control reframes the broad debate over legalization into a close-to-home question of whether residents are willing to have pot grown and sold commercially in their communities.

At the same time, local officeholders who allow cannabis businesses will decide how many and what kind they want, including smoking lounges. As this has played out in other states, more conservative rural areas have often prohibited pot establishments, creating large areas with no sales, while more liberal bigger cities allow them, and the suburbs create a patchwork of conflicting ordinances.

The village of Morton, near Peoria, is believed to be the first municipality in the

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Ex-Teamsters boss admits to extorting film studio

Politically connected figure agrees to cooperate in plea

BY JASON MEISNER

Longtime Chicago union boss John Coli Sr. doesn't necessarily seem like the type to cooperate with authorities.

A politically connected and nationally known fixture in the Teamsters, Coli once told a lawyer in sworn testimony to "go f--- yourself." He dodged controversy for years — from suspicious appointments to state boards to allegations of organized crime ties — often accusing his accusers of using overzealous investigative tactics.

And in 2016, Coli was caught on an undercover FBI recording urging the firing of an executive at a West Side film studio who was purportedly balking at paying him extortion money.

"You can't have a f--- rat in the woodpile," Coli allegedly said to the head of the studio who was wearing a hidden wire. "You can't have a whistleblower



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John Coli Sr., 59, former boss of the Teamsters in Chicago, walks out of court after pleading guilty at Chicago's Dirksen U.S. Courthouse on July 30, 2019.

here."

On Tuesday, however, Coli became an unlikely cooperator in his own right.

In pleading guilty to corruption charges stemming from the extortion scheme, Coli agreed to cooperate with federal authorities in any ongoing investigations, including "complete and truthful testimony" in any criminal or civil

proceeding.

The news of Coli's cooperation is sure to cause waves amid Illinois political circles, since Coli for years used his national position with the Teamsters to hold sway with some of the city and state's most powerful elected officials —

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Law gives relief to those with debt in collection

The new law lowers the maximum interest rate for paying back outstanding debt and shortens time debt collectors can pursue a borrower. **Business**

Effects of light pollution on infectious disease

A study from Florida researchers shows light pollution from LED streetlights could make West Nile virus in birds more infectious. **Chicagoland, Page 10**



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Liberal wing pushes back at Democratic debate

Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren slapped back against moderate rivals who ridiculed "Medicare for All" on Tuesday. **Nation & World, Page 11**



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■ A photo caption on Page 1 Friday mistakenly said the Chicago Bears had a wild-card berth in the NFL playoffs last season. In fact, the Bears won the NFC North division.

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University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign discovered that Chicago-area parents were relinquishing custody of their children in their junior or senior year of high school, qualifying them for more financial aid than they otherwise would have received.



JOHN KASS

Latest college scandal is another canary in coal mine

Pssst, don't tell the president, but Baltimore isn't really the rat capital of America. That honor belongs to Chicago.

Chicago Democrats would love it if he turned his brutal Twitter thumbs upon them. Then, the always entertaining and infamous race hustler Al Sharpton might ride to the rescue and distract us from all the shootings.

And Americans might even ignore a truly bizarre creature neither fully fowl nor fully mammal, hiding right here in plain sight:

It is a creature that is half weasel, doing what weasels do, lapping up the blood of others. But it is also half canary in the coal mine, fluttering anxiously while a myth dies among the middle class, a myth necessary for the perpetuation of the republic, the myth of American meritocracy.

And that is perhaps the most dangerous thing of all.

People worry about their financial futures. They love their kids. And they'll kneel and lie and weasel to protect those kids and themselves.

News stories from The Wall Street Journal and ProPublica Illinois get to the root of it: corruption in the college loan business.

The Journal's story is headlined “College Financial-Aid Loophole: Wealthy Parents Transfer Guardianship of Their Teens to Get Aid.”

The stories tell us that the U.S. Department of Education is investigating dozens of parents who are sneakily, unethically taking advantage of a loophole and transferring legal guardianship of their college-age kids to others, mostly friends or relatives, so the kids can scarf up financial aid.

And who pays? Eventually it is the person who looks at you from the mirror in the morning.

The scheme, said the Journal, quoting federal officials with knowledge of it, has “led to awards of scholarships and access to federal financial

aid designed for the poor.”

Yet the poor aren't the only ones hurt by such schemes.

What about the middle class? Remember them? They're the people politicians suck up to at election time, without ever properly defining what “middle class” means anymore. The middle class who don't cheat can't easily get access to federal help for college; they make too much. But when they write that check, so their children aren't crushed by debt at the start of their adult lives, they cut into their retirement savings or are forced to take another mortgage out on the home.

For now, the investigation centers in the Chicago suburbs, and it has a definite Chicago Way feel to it, in which people in the know, with access to lawyers, play a game against the public — not just the poor but against the middle class that gets squeezed from both ends.

But I've got a hunch this isn't just a Chicago Way thing. Knowledge of secret loopholes in the law has a way of migrating across country, in whispers and winks and nods.

This scam comes on the heels of the so-called Varsity Blues scandal, which traveled on that same 1% highway.

Varsity Blues is a scandal in which the wealthy — including politically liberal Hollywood social justice warriors — allegedly paid bribes to cheat on their children's entrance exams, or have them pose as athletes, thus leveraging their kids into top universities at the expense of others who believed in merit. The whole thing is perverse. They're even making movie about it for Lifetime, according to breathless reports in celebrity news accounts.

Taken together, these represent the canaries in the coal mine.

The Journal tells a story of a Chicago-area family whose household income is greater than \$250,000.

They live in a home valued at more than \$1.2 million.

The mother transferred guardianship of her then-17-year-old daughter to her business partner last year.

She and her husband have already spent \$600,000 sending their other children through college, the article said. There wasn't enough cash to send their youngest, so they reached into the loophole with the help of, no surprise here, a lawyer and an education consultant.

The daughter claimed only \$4,200 in income that she earned from a summer job. The daughter was accepted into a private university, and received a \$27,000 merit scholarship, and on top of that, \$20,000 in need based financial aid, including a Pell grant that she'll never have to pay back.

Nice deal, if you can get it. And those who don't get such a deal can still dwell on it, and look in the mirror and see a sucker, as they anguish over helping their children at the expense of their retirements.

Once again, the elite get the breaks, and use the poor as shields to protect their leverage. And the middle class? They're laughed at.

Meritocracy is a myth that the republic cannot live long without. History tells us that when the middle class not only stops believing in a nation's myths, but also has its face rubbed in the mess while being mocked by the elite, bad things can happen.

In France more than 200 years ago, it started this way: With a hand reaching for a rock.

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What it means to have and lose a 'best' friend



MARY SCHMICH

The headlines on the occasion of Betsy Ebeling's death called her Hillary Clinton's best friend.

"Hillary Clinton's Best Friend Since Childhood Dies Suddenly at 72," said People magazine.

"Betsy Ebeling, Hillary Clinton's Best Friend, Dies," said NBC Chicago.

"Ehemalige First Lady trauert um ihre beste Freundin," wrote a German news site.

Ebeling, who died Sunday in Arlington Heights of breast cancer, had many friends, and in death she was remembered for what she gave them all. They praised her intelligence, humor and generosity, her work as a human rights advocate, her knack for making others feel safe, her habit of beginning conversations by asking, "How is your family?"

"My mom didn't have any acquaintances," Ebeling's son Colin told Tribune reporter Morgan Greene. "Everyone who knew her was her friend, and they could always count on her to be welcoming, loyal, nurturing and kind. To myself and my sisters, she was the most deeply loving mother on Earth."

But of Ebeling's many friendships, there was one that most news reports singled out, the one she shared with a girl who grew up to be a first lady, a U.S. senator, a secretary of state, the woman who was almost president. A girl named Hillary.

"My best friend since I was 11 and she was almost 11 (she loves those six months when she gets to say she's a year younger!)," Ebeling wrote in a 2017 edition of Teen Vogue guest-edited by Clinton. She went on to talk about how much they'd gone through together since they met as sixth graders in Park Ridge.

"She was our north star," Clinton tweeted Tuesday of Ebeling, who was known as the glue that kept a group of their old friends together through the decades.

The friendship between Clinton and Ebeling is inspiring, one many of us relate to, and it made me think about what constitutes a "best" friend.



NAM Y. HUH/AP

Betsy Ebeling, bottom, and other Hillary Clinton supporters, including J.B. Pritzker, top right, cheer Clinton's primary victories on Feb. 5, 2008.

"Best friend" is a curious term. It presumes that friendships can be ranked, that one exists alone at the top of the friendship pyramid.

Can you have more than one best friend? I think so. You can't have many — best implies exclusivity — but different friends animate different parts of us and in varying ways are best.

By the time you're middle-aged, your best friends are likely to be the ones you met before that.

More often than not, a best friend is someone who was there to witness a fair number of the thrills and losses of your life. A best friend can look at you and see the younger you along with the

one that's been amplified and frayed by time.

"We have been friends through all of these years," Ebeling once said of her friendship with Clinton. "Each other's weddings. Babies being born. Parents sick. Parents dying."

A best friend is the one who doesn't begrudge you your successes or take pleasure in your defeats. Which is not to say that your best friends can't also be rivals. True friendship makes space for rivalry but doesn't let rivalry dominate love.

A best friend has seen you at your worst — when you're petty, when you're angry, when you're sick, when you're crying, when

you're boring her to death. A best friend trusts you to put up with her at her worst, too, at least sometimes.

A best friend knows things about you that few people know. A best friend doesn't tell.

A best friend isn't a perfect friend. A best friend may make you mad, disappoint you, fail on occasion to be there exactly when and how you need. A best friend is the one you forgive and whose forgiveness you seek when you have been less than a perfect friend.

A best friend is, above all, someone you trust, in all her imperfections and your own. Even with a best friend there

may sometimes be distances and silences, but with a best friend time isn't linear.

"Every time we talk," Ebeling wrote of her friend Hillary, "we pick up where we left off, as if no time has passed."

To have a best friend — best friends — is one of life's great gifts. To lose one is among life's deepest losses. Losing a friend you would call "best" is losing a piece of your past, your memory, yourself.

But, as Hillary Clinton and all Ebeling's close friends will learn, a best friend is also one who feels alive in your heart, every day, even when she's gone.

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CHICAGOLAND

Deaths of state troopers bring law changes

Pritzker ups fines for not slowing for emergency vehicles

BY DAN PETRELLA

Drivers in Illinois who don't slow down or move over for emergency vehicles on the side of the road will face heavier fines under a measure Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed into law Tuesday that was prompted by the deaths of two state police troopers in roadside collisions earlier this year.

The new law, effective immediately, increases the fine for a first violation of the law to \$250 from \$100. Subsequent violations now carry a minimum fine of \$750. Violators also will be charged an additional \$250 fee to fund education and enforcement of the law.

Called "Scott's Law" in honor of 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, the measure 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.

"It's not optional," Pritzker said Tuesday at a bill-signing ceremony at the Rockford Police Department. "This is how we keep our heroes and our first responders and workers as safe as possible in their line of work."

The law was enacted in 2002 for emergency vehicles with their lights activated and expanded in 2017 to include all vehicles on the



Jones-Story Lambert

side of the road with hazard lights flashing.

In addition to increasing fines, the new law makes it a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in jail, if a violation of the law results in damage to another vehicle. It is now a Class 4 felony, punishable by one to three years in prison, if the violation results in injury or death.

Reckless homicide cases involving violations of Scott's Law that result in the death of a firefighter or emergency medical services worker is now be a Class 2

felony, punishable by three to seven years in prison, mirroring the penalty for crashes that kill police officers.

The push to strengthen Scott's Law came amid a spike in collisions involving Illinois State Police squad cars this year. There have been 22 such crashes since Jan. 1, including the collisions that killed troopers Christopher Lambert and Brooke Jones-Story. That's compared with eight in 2018 and 12 in 2017, according to the agency.

Lambert, 34, was killed Jan. 12 while assisting with a multiple-vehicle crash on northbound Interstate 294 near Willow Road. 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 state police Director Brendan Kelly held a news conference to call attention to the law.

"The pain that their families had to bear in the name of public safety is hard to put into words," Kelly said Tuesday. "The men and women of the Illinois State Police are grateful for the words of support the past few months from so many that are here today and from around the state and from around the country, and today we continue to turn those words into actions."

State police have stepped up enforcement of the law, issuing 5,103 citations for alleged violations through Sunday, compared with 549 during that period last year.

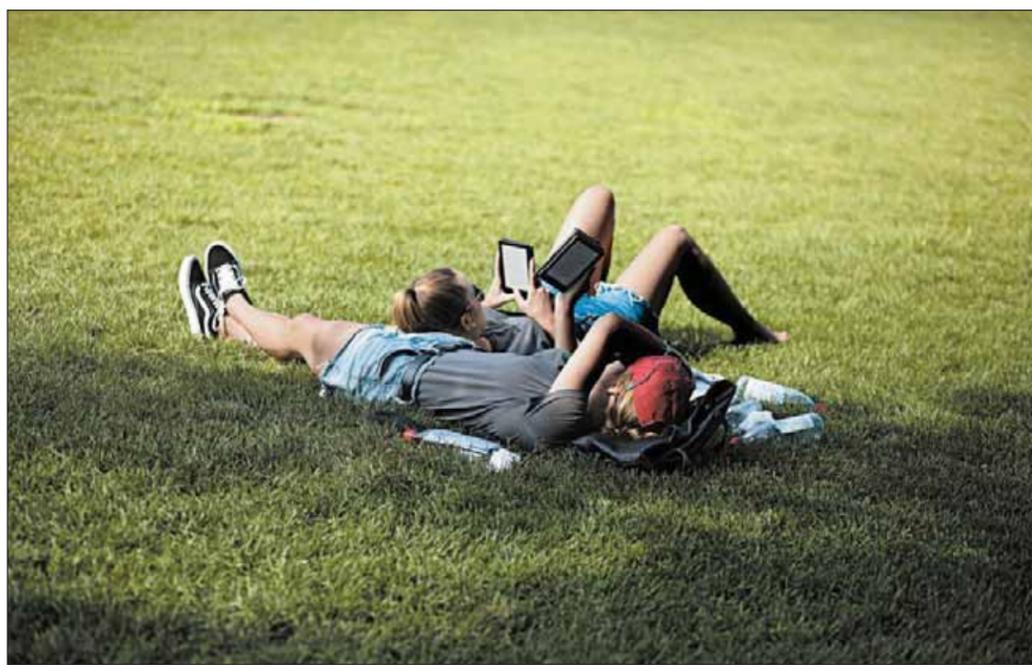
Also Tuesday, Pritzker signed a bill enacting fines of \$100 to \$1,000 for drivers who disobey traffic-control

devices in work zones and raising the maximum fine for drivers who don't slow down or move over when entering a construction zone to \$25,000 from \$10,000. This new law is effective Jan. 1.

The legislation, sponsored by Democratic state Sen. Tom Cullerton of Villa Park, was a response to the death of 61-year-old Frank Caputo of Bartlett, a construction site flagger who was struck by a car on the Tri-State Tollway in 2018.

Pritzker also signed a third measure creating a task force to study violations of Scott's Law and ways to protect law enforcement officers, emergency responders and the public.

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Winning weather

Twins Alix, foreground, and Linda Schuitt, 18, read in Chicago's Maggie Daley Park while visiting the city from Germany on Tuesday.

Where are crocodile tears over gator hoaxer?



DAHLEEN GLANTON

The story was fishy from the start. A second alligator was caught in the Humboldt Park Lagoon in just over a week? Hmmm.

Turns out the series of Facebook Live videos of a man holding an alligator with its jaw duct taped shut likely was a hoax. Police are questioning the validity of his story that he spotted the exotic reptile in the lagoon and fished it out.

It looks like Chicagoans possibly have been duped again — this time by a local man hoping to capitalize on an alligator frenzy taking place in the city, rather than a Hollywood actor who invoked the name of Donald Trump.

The Jussie Smollett case earlier this year caused discord that is still reverberating through the city. This time, though, no one is saying a thing. I wonder why?

According to police, the man said he'd observed the 3-foot-long alligator in the lagoon on Friday and returned Saturday night "with a snagging hook and tape" in an attempt to catch it.

Onlookers videotaped him standing on the dock of the Boathouse Cafe with the gator in his hands, as several law enforcement officers looked on.

But because police investigators are smart enough to know when a story doesn't smell right, they started asking around about this suspicious sec-

ond alligator. Seems it's highly unlikely that two alligators would have ended up in the lagoon, or that one so small could have been there very long.

Chicago police, after all, know a little something about uncovering hoaxes. The Smollett case gave them plenty of practice.

Turns out the alligator catcher and an accomplice may have lied to investigators and filed a false police report, which led to their arrest. But in the end, authorities allowed them to walk free without filing any charges. For that reason, the Tribune is not using their names.

So what I want to know is, where's the outrage?

Why is no one demanding that this lying publicity seeker be put behind bars? Why wasn't his case taken before a grand jury? Why isn't the city filing a lawsuit to recoup the costs for the police investigation?

Why aren't people calling him ugly names and trying to see to it that he never stops paying for what he did? Why aren't we engaged in a nasty national debate over the moral ineptitude of someone who would tell such a lie?

Why is there a double standard for a celebrity and a regular guy?

Though the similarities between the gator catcher's and Smollett's cases might not be immediately obvious, they do have one very important thing in common: Both were victimless crimes.

No one suffered physical or emotional harm as a direct result of the alleged lies. And in both cases, police did what they were supposed to do — investigate the stories in order to

get to the truth. That's what the police are paid to do, and it's what we, the taxpayers, expect of them.

Of course it would be ridiculous to lock this guy up because he may have made the bad decision to throw an alligator, obtained from who knows where, into a lagoon and then fish it out.

We may never know why he did it, just as we may never know why Smollett may have decided to lie about being randomly attacked by two men who shouted racial slurs, doused him with bleach and tied a noose around his neck. Maybe in both cases it was the need for attention.

The alleged alligator hoax occurred a few days after professional alligator trapper Frank Robb snagged the reptile dubbed "Chance the Snapper" from the lagoon and sent it off to a posh life at a five-star gator resort in Florida.

Chance had eluded capture for a week, thrusting the search for the elusive reptile into the national spotlight and turning his trapper into an instant celebrity.

Strangers approached Robb on the street asking to take a picture. He was invited to throw out the ceremonial first pitch before the Cubs played the Cincinnati Reds. And the Chicago Park District tapped him to turn on Buckingham Fountain.

That may have been enough of an incentive for a fake alligator catcher and his accomplice to make up a story.

No one is seriously trying to turn this case into a national spectacle. But it should make us pause and take a more realistic look at

the Smollett incident.

I get it that people don't like it when celebrities get breaks that aren't afforded to other people. I also get that Smollett made a huge mistake by invoking Trump's name. Once Trump is involved, all semblances of normalcy disappear, and everything takes on a divisive tone.

The argument that Smollett's alleged hoax would harm real victims of hate crimes simply isn't factual. In this racially sensitive era, only those who refuse to acknowledge that racism exists would immediately discount anyone's allegation of being a victim of hate.

The overblown angst over the Smollett case, in fact, had very little to do with racism. For some, it was about making Trump and his "Make America Great Again" mantra a symbol of racism. For others, the furor mostly was about seeing a celebrity held to a lower standard than everyone else. In their minds, it was a miscarriage of justice.

Regardless, if Smollett had not smeared Trump and his supporters with a racial crayon, the TV star's case never would have made it into the national spotlight and lingered for as long as it has.

The incident would have, in fact, been as insignificant as a man who may have lied about capturing an alligator that he found swimming in a lagoon. We would simply have shrugged our shoulders and moved on.

That's exactly how both cases should have ended.

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Court decision rebuffs common tool used by CPD

Police officers stop issuing certain investigative alerts

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

Chicago police have stopped issuing certain investigative alerts in the wake of a court decision even though the department has long relied on the method to approve many arrests for homicides and shootings.

The alerts allowed officers to avoid having to go before a judge to obtain an arrest warrant, but an Illinois Appellate Court found the practice violated the state constitution for that reason.

"Police officers can obtain approval for arrests without the one thing the framers of the Illinois constitution thought most essential — the presentation of sworn facts to a judge," said the 2-1 decision by Judges Michael Hyman and Aurelia Pucinski.

Judge Mary Anne Mason wrote a partial dissent.

The department is still sorting through the potential legal ramifications of the court's decision but has directed officers in the interim to stop using the alerts, according to police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

"Certainly, this is going to have serious considerations for us in how we do business," Guglielmi said Tuesday.

In an emailed statement, a spokeswoman for Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx said the office plans to ask the appellate court to reconsider its decision.

"We respectfully disagree with the court's ruling regarding this decision," spokeswoman Tandra Simonton wrote.

The investigative alert system has been in place for at least a decade, according to Guglielmi.

According to the appellate court ruling, Chicago police is the only department in the state to use such a system.

Under the system, an officer reports to a police supervisor — not a judge — that someone is suspected of a crime, according to the appellate decision. If the supervisor agrees that there is enough evidence — probable cause — to arrest that person, an alert is activated notifying officers to detain the suspect if he's seen on the street.

Until Friday, such alerts were typically used for the crimes that officers do not witness themselves — often homicides, shootings and other violent offenses, Guglielmi said.

The appellate court's decision involved the criminal sexual assault conviction of Cordell Bass for attacking a relative of a

girlfriend in July 2014 while staying overnight at her residence, court records show. The woman reported the assault to police, who issued an investigative alert with probable cause to arrest Bass.

Nearly three weeks later, Bass was a passenger in a car curbed by police for running a red light. Officers found the investigative alert in their records and arrested him.

Bass, who acknowledged sexual contact with the woman, was convicted of one count of criminal sexual assault and sentenced to eight years in prison. In its ruling Friday granting Bass a new trial, the appellate court found his arrest was not valid, since police never obtained a warrant.

Longtime criminal-defense attorney Steven Decker said lawyers have

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— Anthony Guglielmi, police spokesman

long challenged the validity of investigative alerts in Cook County courts, but the appellate decision will give them more ammunition to try to do so going forward.

"Many of us have articulated that same basis on our prior cases, and they have been almost routinely unsuccessful," Decker said. "With this case, we certainly have a much stronger, stronger argument that circuit court judges would follow it, and most probably will."

Even with the decision, Chicago police can continue to rely on a different kind of investigative alert — one that does not approve the subject's arrest but merely notifies officers that police want to interview someone in connection with an investigation. Officers can then ask the person to come in for questioning without formally arresting him.

"I think (police are) going to try to phrase their questions in such a way that they could get the individual to consent to being detained momentarily in order to pursue the investigation," Decker said. "Or alternatively, they'll have to take the steps that every other police department does, and that's to get the judicial approval through an arrest warrant signed by a judge."

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Everyone loses as parents game guardianship

You fail your kid when you give up custody to win college aid



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I wonder how you help your child set his or her moral compass for college after you've surrendered custody to save money.

How you set an expectation for honest test-taking. Respecting a roommate's stuff. Showing up on time for your professors, your teams, your clubs, your friends. Respecting your fellow students' boundaries and humanity. Making the kind of choices that leave you holding your head up, not covering your tracks, not looking over your shoulder to see if you're about to get caught.

In a ProPublica Illinois

investigation published Monday, Jodi S. Cohen and Melissa Sanchez write about parents in Illinois exploiting a legal loophole that allows them to turn over guardianship of their teenagers to friends or relatives. The students then declare financial independence to qualify for tuition aid and need-based scholarships.

"It's a scam," Andy Borst, director of undergraduate admissions at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, told Cohen and Sanchez. "Wealthy families are manipulating the financial aid process to be eligible for financial aid they would not be otherwise eligible for. They are taking away opportunities from families that really need it."

Borst told ProPublica he became suspicious about a year ago when a high school counselor from a

wealthy Chicago suburb called him to ask why a certain student was invited to an orientation program for low-income students. Borst checked the student's financial aid application, Cohen and Sanchez write, and saw she had obtained a legal guardian, making her eligible to qualify for financial aid independently.

The university has since identified 14 applicants who did the same, Borst told Cohen and Sanchez.

"ProPublica Illinois found more than 40 guardianship cases fitting this profile filed between January 2018 and June 2019 in the Chicago suburbs of Lake County alone," they report. "The parents involved in these cases include lawyers, a doctor and an assistant schools superintendent, as well as insurance and real estate agents. A number of the children are high-achieving scholars, athletes and musicians who attend or have been accepted to a range of universities, from large public

institutions, including the University of Wisconsin, the University of Missouri and Indiana University, to smaller private colleges."

In typical guardianship cases, Cohen and Sanchez report, an adult steps in to care for a child whose parents are unable.

"Mothers are homeless, seeking mental health care or working two jobs and can't care for a child, fathers are in prison, addicted to drugs or deported," they write. "One Lake County guardianship case describes a child suffering from 'severe physical and emotional abuse' by a parent, while another pleads: 'He is a good kid. He is alone. He needs someone to take care of him.'"

But Illinois law allows a court to appoint a guardian if the parents consent, the minor agrees and the court determines it is in the minor's best interest, Cohen and Sanchez report.

No parent or guardian reached by ProPublica would speak on the record.

Few people will deny that college is outrageously expensive. Tuition has outpaced inflation for more than a decade. The total price of college — tuition, fees, housing — is increasing almost eight times faster than U.S. wages, according to Forbes.

I'm relieved to see candidates running for president in 2020 address this as a campaign platform. Something needs to change if college is going to remain an accessible option for many American families.

This practice, though, feels like a failure to grasp one of the most essential missions of college: to shape kids into adults who are capable of critical thinking, whose biases and blind spots have been challenged, who've encountered new ideas, new authors, new philosophies, who are starting to grapple with their position in this great big world and how they'll put that position to use.

Doesn't it set kids up for a confusing mess of con-

flicting values and priorities and goals when they arrive at college having gamed the system? Having witnessed their parental bonds severed in the name of money? Knowing they're using aid that was designed for someone with far more need? Learning to dance uncomfortably on a line just this side of legal?

It's not the college cheating scandal, which broke laws. But it swims in the same murky water, which obscures an essential promise of higher education — the promise to shape and send forth well-rounded, integrity-minded humans.

That promise falls on more than just institutions. It falls on parents as well.

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the student becomes financially independent, according to Nyle Robinson, interim executive director of the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

Income — and thus aid — then is based on the student's earnings, not those of parents or guardian. The U.S. Department of Education determines there is no obligation for the family to contribute to the student's education, Robinson said.

"They could transfer guardianship to their next-door neighbor, to grandma and grandpa, or to someone not related to the family, and it wouldn't matter if the guardian made \$1 million a year," Borst said. "(The student) would still be considered independent for financial aid purposes."

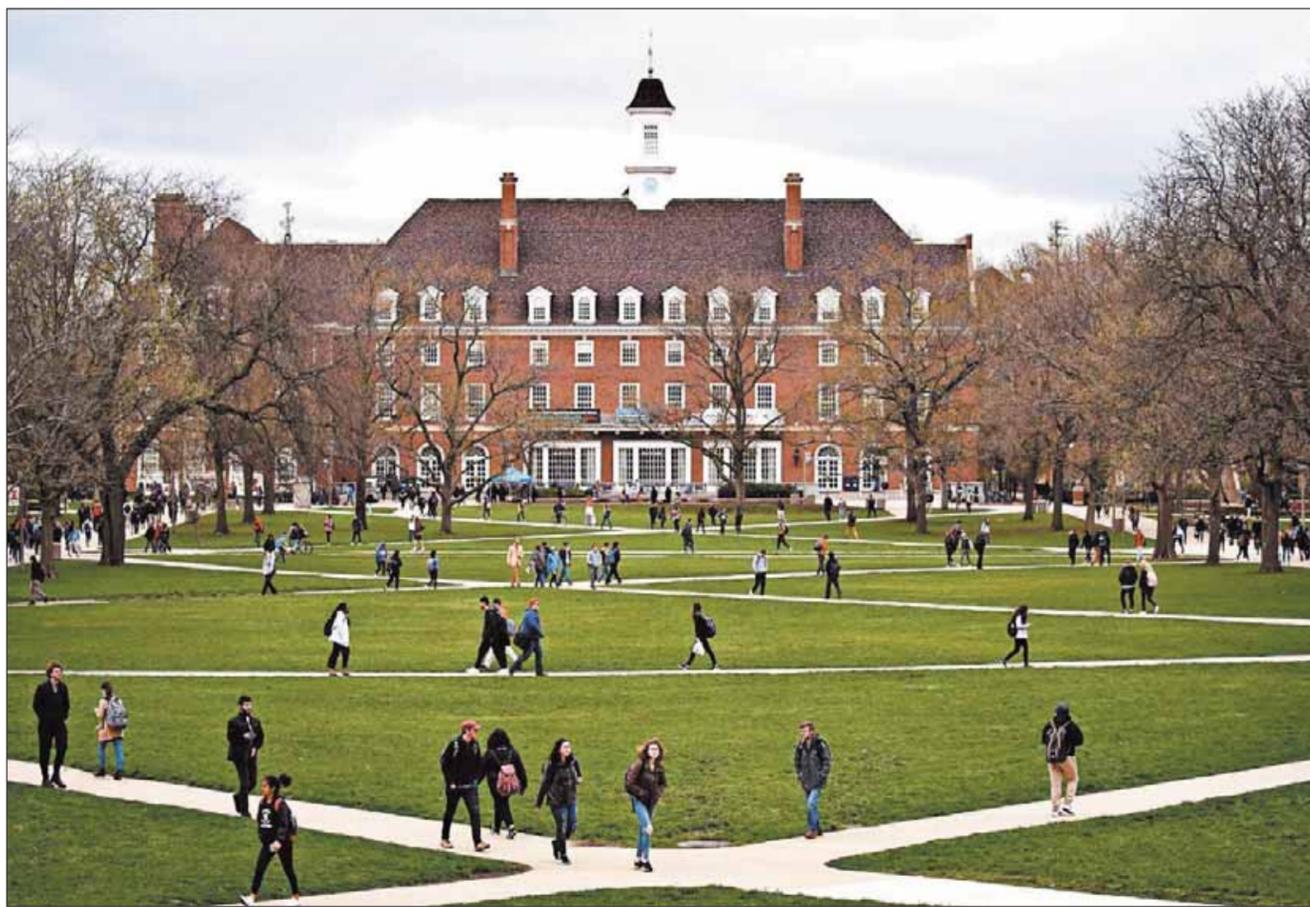
Borst said attorneys have told U. of I. officials the tactic is legal, but school leaders feel it is an unethical way to access financial aid. U. of I. has reported its findings to the U.S. Department of Education and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, which oversees multiple state grant programs, including the Monetary Award Program for low-income students.

"It never occurred to us that this was a possibility until we found out about it," Borst said. "We wanted to make sure they were aware this was happening. If it's happening, it needs to be able to withstand the light of day."

This practice comes at a time when college tuition and fees are skyrocketing. In Illinois, tuition, fees, and room and board for full-time, in-state students have doubled at nearly each public university since the 2003-04 school year, according to state data. Schools have tried to compensate by boosting various forms of financial aid, particularly for low- and mid-income families, but the rising costs have prompted Illinois families to increasingly seek more affordable options out of state.

Illinois and federal officials blasted the concept of using guardianship to skirt financial aid rules.

"This may be legal under the letter of the current law, but it is a clear violation of the spirit of the law and the principles on which federal and state financial aid sys-



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Attorneys have reportedly told U. of I. officials that transferring guardianship to qualify for financial aid is legal, but school leaders feel it is unethical.

tems are based," said Robinson of IBHE.

Liz Hill, spokeswoman for the U.S. Department of Education, said in a statement that the laws controlling dependency status were created to help those who legitimately need help to attend college.

"Those who break the rules should be held accountable, and the Department is committed to assessing what changes can be made — either independently or in concert with Congress — to protect taxpayers from those who seek to game the system for their own financial gain," Hill said in a statement.

Lora Georgieva, the owner of a college consulting company based in Lincolnshire, was mentioned in news reports as having worked with at least one family who changed custody arrangements.

In an interview Tuesday Georgieva acknowledged she had researched federal student aid regulations and consulted with lawyers, and found that changing guardianship could be a way for students to file a FAFSA as an independent.

Georgieva said she shared that alternative with some clients but said she was not involved in any legal proceedings for guardianship, nor was it a scheme for wealthy clients to circumvent the requirements.

"If they don't have other options, I share with them the rules for independent status for FAFSA," Georgieva said. "I just thought this might be a way — not to fully fund college, not to make the rich people richer — but to help primarily the middle class who are working so hard and cannot send their kids to college."

Georgieva also said she feels providing this type of information is necessary because of the rising cost of college.

"I really believe it is time for change, and I believe I am representing the voice of the middle-class people who are screaming for help to be able to send their kids to college," she said.

Mari Berlin, an attorney at Kabbe Law Group, which handled some of the guardianship cases described in the ProPublica report, said

Illinois law is broad and rests upon the "best interests" of the minor. Guardianship can be transferred even in situations in which "parents are willing and able to parent," so long as the parents consent, Berlin said.

"We help families obtain court orders appointing someone other than a parent — most often a grandparent or family member but occasionally a very close family friend — as guardian for the minor," Berlin said in an email. "We do not assist them with, or counsel them on, the application process or qualifications for financial aid."

Berlin also pushed back on the characterization that this mechanism primarily is being used by wealthy families.

"While we do not analyze our clients' finances to the extent that their college planner would, the majority of our clients would be considered middle class families," Berlin said.

Aid packages are often a mix of federal Pell grants, state grants, loans and school support. For the students in question at U. of I.,

Borst said the school is reassessing how much of its own aid it will award, but has no authority to reduce or deny federal and state aid.

The MAP grant program — the primary state aid for low-income students in Illinois — has been underfunded for years. State budget reports from the higher education board routinely show there is neither enough money per grant to fully cover tuition and fees, nor is there enough to provide grants to all students who qualify for them.

Thus, Borst said, it is particularly concerning if students who are not low-income are accessing that money.

"The part where I question the ethics of this is knowing that all of our financial aid resources are not infinite," Borst said. "... Giving a MAP grant to these students means that a truly needy student does not get a MAP grant."

However, it is not known if any state MAP dollars are going to any student who wasn't qualified for it.

Lynne Baker, spokes-

woman for the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, said Tuesday that it is up to individual schools to verify information submitted on financial aid forms and to alert state officials of irregularities.

"So while we have heard about this issue, as of now, we have not received any notice from a school of a specific case where a school questioned a FAFSA from a student who received state aid and had answered positively to the guardianship question on the FAFSA," Baker said in an email. "If we did get such notice, we would immediately report it to the U.S. Dept of Education and the IL Attorney General."

The Tribune asked several Illinois public and private universities whether they have observed similar practices. Many did not immediately respond, but officials at Western Illinois University and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville said they found no evidence of parents changing guardianship.

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Mourners recall skateboarder who could 'light up the room'



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A makeshift memorial for Levi Matsuda, 17, of Buffalo Grove, was created in Arlington Heights. He died Saturday.

BY ELIZABETH OWENS-SCHIELE, ALEXANDRA KUKULKA

Several mourners and classmates were emotional as they returned to the scene Monday where a 17-year-old Buffalo Grove boy had an accident on his skateboard and died of his injuries at a nearby hospital. "He would light up the room. He made everyone laugh," Christina Lorenty said through tears about Levi Matsuda.

The Cook County medical examiner's office identi-

fied Matsuda as the teen killed in Arlington Heights, after police said he was attempting to hold onto a moving SUV while skateboarding and was struck by the vehicle.

About 7 p.m. Saturday police and firefighters in Arlington Heights were called to a traffic collision with injuries in the 4100 block of North Ridge Avenue, according to a news release from Cmdr. Greg Czernecki of the Arlington Heights Police Department. Officers and emergency responders located the teen,

now identified as Matsuda, with severe head injuries and rushed him to Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights. He was pronounced dead by emergency room physicians there about three hours later, Czernecki said.

Matsuda would have started his senior year next month at Buffalo Grove High School, officials said.

Police said Matsuda was riding a skateboard and holding onto the driver's side door of a 2015 Honda Pilot as the SUV was headed south on Ridge Avenue

from Foxdale Lane. At some point, Matsuda either let go or lost his grip on the SUV and he fell to the ground, authorities said.

The Pilot also was driven by a juvenile, who was the only person in the SUV. The driver remained at the location and cooperated with police, authorities said.

The investigation into the boy's death is ongoing, according to police.

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Marijuana

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state to prohibit pot establishments. The Village Board was generally motivated to act July 1 by a desire to promote family and community values, in line with its previous ban on video gambling, village attorney Pat McGrath said. He said several other towns have since contacted the village to ask about taking a similar stand.

Since June, when Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed into law the measure to legalize marijuana, few municipalities have addressed the issue publicly. The new law would allow the state's 55 existing medical marijuana dispensaries to open new retail shops on their current sites, and open a second site elsewhere — but only if local officials allow it.

In addition, applications for up to 75 new dispensaries will be due by Jan. 1, 2020, and are to be awarded by May 1, 2020, so entrepreneurs will want to know which areas will allow them to operate.

Leaders in some suburbs have staked out early positions on the issue. The City Council of Naperville voted 5-4 July 16 to have staff draw up paperwork to ban the businesses. A final vote on the issue is still weeks away.

Proponents of the ban say they are trying to protect the city's image.

"There is nothing family friendly about recreational marijuana," resident Jennifer Taylor said. "Family friendly is Naperville's brand."

Some aldermen don't want to add to the problems caused by sales of other potentially addictive substances such as alcohol and cigarettes.

Cannabis business supporters say that a ban would be a hypocritical overreaction, and that a few stores won't change the town's reputation.

Mayor Steve Chirico, who favors allowing the businesses, said a 3% municipal tax on recreational pot sales would help pay for the costs of marijuana education and enforcement, which have helped prevent an increase in teen use in states with legal weed.

In a prime location such as Naperville, with a population around 150,000, cannabis shops could generate significant tax revenue, while creating jobs and related commerce such as required security, Chirico said.

Green Thumb Industries or GTI, which operates a medical dispensary in Naperville, and Grassroots Cannabis proposed opening retail stores in the suburb,



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Arianne Joseph and James Mitchell, of Atlanta, browse the products on display at the Eufloa 3D Cannabis Center, a recreational dispensary in Denver.



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Sen. Heather A. Steans, from left, Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy, Sen. Toi W. Hutchinson and Rep. Jehan Gordon-Booth celebrate after the Illinois House approved a legalization bill.

with several competitors also expressing interest.

GTI issued a statement that it has had a great relationship with Naperville, adding, "We continue to talk and work with the city on this important issue."

Chirico said GTI's dispensary has had no crime or complaints that he was aware of. If a cannabis business operates in the city, he added, officials have the ability to monitor it and discipline or suspend its license for any violations, such as allowing minors access. In contrast, the city will have no control over dispensaries located outside its limits.

"We will have costs asso-

ciated with this whether it's located in our community or not," he said. "As a practical matter, if you're going to have the costs, why not have the benefits? The benefits outweigh the concerns."

In Batavia, Mayor Steve Schielke told his City Council that he would veto any measure to approve local recreational marijuana businesses.

"Our drug problem in Batavia is the worst it's ever been," he said. "We've tragically lost several young people to opioid overdoses. I don't want to put my name to anything that seemingly has a dark side."

Schielke says police report people combining mar-

ijuana with alcohol and passing out. The mayor believes that marijuana is a gateway drug to more dangerous substances.

On that hotly debated point, most marijuana users do not use harder drugs. But studies have shown that those who use marijuana early in life, like users of alcohol or cigarettes, are more likely to use and abuse other substances, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse. That shows a correlation, not causation. An alternative theory is that people prone to drug use are simply more likely to use what's available.

More broadly, while polls show about two-thirds of Illinois residents support

legalization, Schielke said that doesn't necessarily mean people want it sold in their neighborhoods.

"I'm one of the first to put my foot in the water," he said. "I've had a lot of encouragement — a lot of 'atta boys.'"

Officials in conservative North Shore suburbs of Lake Forest and Lake Bluff have expressed little enthusiasm for the law, with one trustee saying that states and municipalities shouldn't legislate contrary to federal law. Bloomington and Libertyville are also looking into banning cannabis businesses.

Traditionally more liberal Oak Park officials are expected to consider a measure this fall to allow retail pot shops. South Elgin officials have indicated they are open to allowing retail sales.

For Chicago, a special provision was put into the marijuana legalization law to allow residents there to petition to vote their precincts free of marijuana establishments. The provision was in part a response to concerns that poor minority neighborhoods may get an over-concentration of cannabis stores.

Rather than allow a direct vote on the issue, the law provides for the City Council to consider the question, which appeared to be an oversight, said Chris Lindsey, legislative analyst for the Marijuana Policy Project, which supported legalization.

In other states with legal

pot, such as California and Colorado, where bigger cities tend to allow it, the majority of local governments ban pot sales. That results in large rural areas with no access to retail shops, which encourages a continued illegal market.

If the same thing happens in Illinois, Lindsey said, it would make a good argument for allowing home delivery, so people who have trouble travelling will have access.

Besides the shops, local officials must decide if they will allow marijuana growers, which can generate significant complaints about the smell. Forty grower licenses will be awarded July 1, 2020. And they may decide whether to allow consumption areas, or smoking lounges, which could be at a pot shop, at its own location, or attached to some other business such as a restaurant or a music venue.

So while state agencies will control which cannabis businesses get licenses to operate, with continuing oversight, local officials may set special rules on location, hours and operations.

"In Illinois," Lindsey said, "local jurisdictions are the ones doing the regulating."

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The mayor is under pressure from community activists and two aldermen who have introduced a community benefits ordinance for the project that would, among other things, require that 30 percent of all newly developed and rehabbed housing in Washington Park, Woodlawn and South Shore be set aside for lower-income residents. Their proposal also would establish guidelines for a \$2.5 million community trust fund.

On Tuesday, Lightfoot emphasized that the city must be actively involved in helping to address the needs of residents.

"We're not going to sit back passively and just be the facilitator and the conduit by which city approvals and licensing and so forth gets approved," she said. "We have this tremendous opportunity to really think in a big way about how we can use this moment to transform South Shore and Woodlawn and Washington Park and Jackson Park in a pretty specific way, and that is the charge that I've given to my team coming out of those conversations. We aren't going to be bystanders to the process."

Chicago officials have an opportunity to weigh in on "a whole menu of issues," Lightfoot said, including affordable housing and general economic development.



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A model shows the planned Obama Presidential Center. Officials hope to break ground on the \$500 million project in Jackson Park in Spring 2020.

"We can't lose sight of the fact that it is a big honor and opportunity for us to have this presidential center coming to Chicago, particularly for the South Side," the mayor said. "I want to use that opportunity as an opportunity to make catalytic change in the trajectory of the quality of life for people in those neighborhoods."

Monday's release of the historic impacts report — though seized upon by critics of putting the center in a public park — was also embraced by the Obama Foundation because it signals that the federal review process for the center, which had been stalled for several months, can restart.

The draft Assessment of Effects to Historic Properties report determined that the presidential center, which is expected to take

up about 20 acres of the park and cost about \$500 million, would alter portions of Jackson Park and the adjacent Midway Plaisance that justified listing them jointly on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Obama center plan involves closing and expanding major streets nearby. It's expected to affect some of the park's recreational and cultural amenities, though others will be added or replaced.

While construction of the presidential center cannot begin until the federal review process is complete, the report isn't an indication of whether the project will be approved by government officials or even if portions of it will get government funding. Instead, the report is essentially a catalog of the community's

historic amenities along with descriptions of how they will be altered.

Residents and other interested parties now have 30 days to provide feedback on the proposed changes and suggest ways to mitigate potential effects. A public meeting on the matter is planned for 6 p.m. Aug. 5 at the Logan Center for the Arts, 915 E. 60th St.

The report cited the history of Jackson Park and the Midway Plaisance — which was the site of the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition and shortly thereafter was redesigned by firms associated with famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted — in describing how placing the new center at Jackson Park would "diminish the overall integrity of spatial organization in the proper-

ty as a whole."

Most of the other historic structures in the area would not be adversely affected by the new development, the report determined.

The mayor's words Tuesday echoed statements she made last week, when she stopped short of endorsing a community benefits ordinance proposed by 20th Ward Ald. Jeanette Taylor and 5th Ward Ald. Leslie Hairston but said "the rights of the community have to be respected."

The proposal would require 30% of housing in a 2-mile radius of the center to be set aside as affordable and includes other provisions for housing access and job training.

On Monday, officials with the Obama Foundation applauded the release of the report because it means the federal review process is back underway and they are moving closer to a groundbreaking. If the process moves forward on schedule, the federal review could wrap up in spring 2020, clearing the way for construction to begin.

"We arrive at this point with a continued sense of urgency but also being pleased... that we are at this stage and ready to move to the next one," said Michael Strautmanis, vice president for civic engagement for the Obama Foundation.

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An insanity verdict for woman who stabbed mom

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A Wilmette woman was found not guilty by reason of insanity last week in the stabbing of her mother last year. Dinah Larson, 29, was charged in January 2018 with attempted murder, aggravated battery on a person over the age of 60 and aggravated domestic battery in a knife attack on her mother in the house on Highland Avenue that the two shared. Her mother was seriously injured.

Cook County Judge Timothy Chambers issued the verdict July 24 after a one-day bench trial at the Skokie courthouse, officials said. The woman was stabbed at least seven times in the head and body, prosecutors said after Larson's arrest. Larson was arrested a short distance away.

"It was a very sad situation, but justice was done," Larson's attorney, Lori Levin, said Monday. "She's in custody but she's on medication at this point and she has been going to therapy in the jail. She is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances."

Circumstances said Larson has bipolar disorder and schizophrenia and had stopped taking her medication before the attack.

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Dillinger's body set to be exhumed

Indiana grave of 1930s gangster under concrete

By Rick Callahan
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The body of notorious 1930s gangster John Dillinger is expected to be exhumed in September at an Indianapolis cemetery but it could be a tough job because his grave is encased in concrete.

Digging up the remains more than 85 years after Dillinger was killed by FBI agents also could resolve conspiracy theories that the man some considered a hero during the Great Depression isn't buried in his marked grave, said Susan Sutton, a historian with the Indiana Historical Society. Among the tales is that Dillinger's family tricked the FBI into shooting the wrong man.

The Indiana State Department of Health approved a permit July 3 sought by Dillinger's nephew, Michael C. Thompson, to have the body exhumed from Crown Hill Cemetery and reinterred there.

The permit doesn't give a reason for the request, and Thompson couldn't immediately be reached for comment.

Indiana health department spokeswoman Jeni O'Malley said that based on the permit, the agency expects Dillinger's body will be exhumed and reinterred on Sept. 16 — the date listed on the document.

But digging up Dillinger's grave might prove a difficult task because days after his son's funeral, Dillinger's father had the casket reburied under a protective cap of concrete and scrap iron topped by four reinforced-concrete slabs, Sutton said.

"I think they're going to have a hard time getting through that," Sutton said.

The reason for the concrete-encased grave was to thwart would-be vandals, she said, citing "Crown Hill: History, Spirit, and Sanctuary" a 2013 book the historical society published about the cemetery's history.

"The main fear was that someone would come in and dig up the grave and either desecrate the corpse or steal it," Sutton said. "The Dillingers had actually been offered money to 'lend out' his body for exhibits, so they were concerned."

The Indianapolis-born Dillinger was one of America's most notorious criminals. The FBI says Dillinger's gang killed 10 people in a bloody string of bank robberies in the 1930s.

Dillinger was never convicted of murder and he was lauded by some for robbing banks during the Great Depression as many Americans lost their homes and farms to foreclosure, Sutton said.

"So somebody who had,



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Betty and Rosella Nelson, along with a crowd of people, view the body of John Dillinger at the Cook County morgue in Chicago in 1934.

What happened during Dillinger's last day in Chicago?

By Javonte Anderson

The body of John Dillinger, one of the most infamous gangsters of the 20th century, is scheduled to be exhumed from an Indiana cemetery more than 85 years after he was shot to death outside a Chicago movie theater.

Earlier this month, the Indiana State Department of Health approved a request from Dillinger's nephew, Michael C. Thompson, to have the remains dug up and then reburied at Crown Hill Cemetery in September, according to officials.

While Dillinger was born in Indianapolis and broke out of a northwest Indiana jail with a wooden pistol whittled with a razor blade, his life came to an end in Chicago.

Here are three things you might not have known about that fateful night:

Chicago was in the midst of a heat wave the evening Dillinger decided to go see a movie. It was July 22, 1934, a Sunday



CHICAGO TRIBUNE HISTORICAL PHOTO

Anna Sage told the FBI that John Dillinger would be at the movie theater in Lincoln Park.

night. Dillinger was wearing a straw hat, white shirt, gray tie, white canvas shoes and gray trousers. He had a pistol in his trousers.

About 16 federal agents and East Chicago, Indiana, police officers took up positions outside the Biograph Theater, where he'd gone to see the gangster film "Manhattan Melodrama."

Dillinger was shot to death by



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John Dillinger was shot to death by federal agents on July 22, 1934. He was 31.

federal agents while walking out of the Biograph in the Lincoln Park neighborhood. Dillinger reportedly reached for his pistol when confronted by law enforcement. He was 31.

Dillinger was accompanied by two women that evening. One of them betrayed him. Anna Sage, one of the two women with Dillinger, betrayed him and told

the FBI that Dillinger would be at the movie theater.

Sage, a northwest Indiana madame, asked for a share of the reward money and leniency with the immigration bureau in exchange for helping the FBI capture Dillinger.

Dillinger's body, even rumors about his body, drew crowds.

Dillinger's body was first taken to Alexian Brothers Hospital at Belden and Racine avenues, then to the Cook County morgue at Polk and Wood streets. Massive crowds lined up outside the morgue to get a glimpse of the man who became public enemy No. 1.

Another crowd, an estimated 5,000 people, gathered in the 4500 block of Sheridan Road in the Uptown neighborhood because people believed Dillinger's body was there.

Initially, there was one police officer on duty to monitor the crowd. More officers were dispatched as the crowd mushroomed, and they struggled to keep the street clear for traffic.

as maybe people would say now — 'Stuck it to the banker' — would easily become a folk hero," she said. "He was also known by some people to be very polite even while he was stealing."

Dillinger was awaiting trial in the slaying of an East

Chicago police officer when he escaped from jail in Crown Point, Indiana, in March 1934 with a gun carved out of wood. While on the run, he underwent plastic surgery to alter his face and was said to have tried to remove his finger-

prints with acid.

Dillinger, who was portrayed by Johnny Depp in the 2009 movie "Public Enemies," was fatally shot in July 1934 by FBI agents outside the Biograph Theater in Chicago after he was betrayed by a woman who

became known in the papers as the "Lady in Red."

Crown Hill Cemetery spokeswoman Crystal King said the cemetery has no information about the plans to exhume Dillinger, whose tomb is an attraction at the hilltop graveyard on India-

napolis' near north side.

Messages seeking comment were also left Tuesday for Jeffery Scalf, whose grandmother was Dillinger's half-sister, and for Savannah Light, the funeral director whose name is listed on the permit.

Guilty

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including longtime House Speaker Michael Madigan, former Mayor Rahm Emanuel, ex-Gov. Pat Quinn and his successor, Bruce Rauner.

In April, it was revealed that the same federal grand jury that indicted Coli had subpoenaed the Illinois Senate for documents on state Sen. Tom Cullerton's reimbursements for "travel, lodging, meals, cellular phone and vehicle allowances" from Feb. 1, 2013, through March 3, 2016.

Cullerton, a former Villa Park village president and Teamsters organizer who has served in the Senate since 2013, has not been charged with wrongdoing. He declined to comment when contacted by the Tribune earlier this year.

In a hearing Tuesday before U.S. District Chief Judge Rebecca Pallmeyer, Coli pleaded guilty to one count each of receiving illegal payments and filing a false income tax return, admitting he extorted a total of \$325,000 from individual 1 — previously identified by the Tribune as Cine-space Studio President Alex Pissios.

According to Coli's 26-

page plea agreement, between 2014 and 2017, Pissios paid the bribes through a series of \$25,000 quarterly payments that Coli failed to report on his tax returns, cheating the Internal Revenue Service and state of Illinois out of about a combined \$117,000 in tax revenue.

The agreement calls for a sentence of up to about three years in prison, but if Coli cooperates fully, prosecutors will recommend he be given about half that time.

The Tribune reported in 2017 that federal authorities made secret recordings at Cine-space's facilities as part of the investigation, capturing numerous conversations between Coli and Pissios.

In October 2016, the FBI directed Pissios to tell Coli that other executives were questioning the payments and threatening to fire him if he didn't stop, according to the agreement.

Coli responded by threatening to have his workers strike, according to the document.

"We'll shut it down tomorrow," prosecutors quoted Coli as saying. "I will f--- have a picket line up here and everything will stop."

Later in the conversation, Coli suggested that Pissios

should "get rid" of the studio's chief financial officer because of the flap, explaining that there were "things that are gonna come up that you're gonna have to deal with," according to the plea.

Records show the CFO of Cine-space is Mark Degnen, whose wife, Bridget, is a Cook County commissioner.

Several weeks later, Pissios informed Coli as part of the undercover ruse that he'd told another executive at the studio about the threat of a strike and the executive had agreed the extortion payments should continue.

"Perfect," Coli responded, according to the plea agreement.

In addition to the extortion plot, Coli received more than half a million dollars in perks over the years related to his position with the union that he never reported to regulators as required by law, according to the plea deal.

Among the benefits were meals at "fine dining establishments" in Las Vegas and other cities, free tickets to professional baseball and football games, and the use of a yacht with a two-person crew by Coli and his guests, including "an excursion in and around Italy," according to the plea agreement.

In addition to Coli's ongoing cooperation, the plea agreement calls for him to forfeit \$325,000 and also pay his back taxes.

Pallmeyer set a hearing for Oct. 31 to assess the status of Coli's case. No sentencing date was set.

Dressed in a dark suit and bright red tie, Coli spoke only a few times in court. When the judge asked him what he did for a living, he said in a deep voice, "The only work I've done is for the Teamsters Union, which I retired from a couple years ago."

The Coli family has been active in politics for years and is well-known for spreading around union cash to candidates. Coli and his relatives have also been accused in civil lawsuits in both state and federal court of running the union like a racket — accusations they have vehemently denied.

In a 2011 deposition stemming from one suit, Coli was asked under oath why so many of his relatives were allowed to control the union's lucrative pension funds.

"For the record, go f--- yourself," Coli answered, according to a transcript in court records.

"So I take it you're refusing to answer that question?" the plaintiff's attorney asked.

"I think the answer speaks for itself," Coli replied.

A judge later dismissed that lawsuit.

Coli was an early backer of Emanuel in his first run for mayor at a time when Emanuel, viewed as a centrist Democrat, had very little union backing.

The Teamsters contributed \$35,000 to Emanuel's 2011 campaign, including \$15,000 for polling. The union stepped up even more to back the mayor's bid for a second term, contributing \$134,700, state campaign finance records show.

Once Emanuel was elected, a representative from the union was appointed to the mayoral transition team, and Coli was named to the exclusive group of campaign donors and community leaders in charge of planning the mayor's first inaugural.

Two months after Emanuel first took office, the Tribune detailed how the mayor had demanded greater accountability and financial sacrifice from Chicago's labor unions — except for the Teamsters. The story detailed how Coli's union spoke out in favor of the mayor's economic plans — even those that stood to send public jobs to private contractors.

The controversies dogging Coli go back years. In 2003, then-Gov. Rod Blagojevich appointed Coli to the Illinois Tollway board, only to have Coli withdraw his name amid questions about \$100,000 in Teamsters campaign contributions to Blagojevich and potential conflicts of interest.

Within a few months, Blagojevich quietly named Coli to two other state boards with less direct impact on Teamsters affairs, the Tribune reported.

In 2005, the Tribune reported the FBI was investigating whether the Coli-led Teamsters siphoned hundreds of thousands of dollars from a union benefit plan that provided dental care to Chicago-area undertakers and valets.

That probe had been sparked by an internal union report raising concerns about payments from the plan going to organized crime figures.

No charges were ever filed.

In 2015, then-Gov. Rauner appointed Coli to an unpaid seat on the Illinois Labor Advisory Board. The appointment came months after the Teamsters agreed to a new contract with the Rauner administration.

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MARINA FICHERA-BIRD

Marina Fichera-Bird, from left, Phil Bird, Colleen Bird and Kevin Ryzd were stuck in an elevator at the skyscraper formerly known as the John Hancock Center this month.

At the former John Hancock Center, 2 elevators get stuck

BY ALEJANDRO SERRANO

After grabbing drinks on the 96th floor of the former John Hancock Center, Phil Bird, his wife, sister and her fiancé got into an elevator with nine other people and headed to the ground floor.

They almost made it. Around the second floor, the elevator suddenly dropped a foot or two and stopped. Debris crashed against the roof and it sounded like the elevator was “caving in,” Bird said. “It went down seemingly fine,” said Bird, 37. Then the elevator “felt like it dropped suddenly about a foot or so.”

After several calls to building security and finally police, fire crews pried open the elevator’s door and helped the people get out through a 4-foot gap. “It shook us up,” said Bird, who lives in Ravenswood with his wife. “It put a damper on the whole thing.”

The incident on July 21 was one of two involving elevators that weekend. Friday night into Saturday, five people were stuck in an elevator when the door would not open, building officials said.

No one was injured in either incident at the building, now known by its 875 North Michigan Avenue address. Building officials said they all had been inspected last month.

Neither appeared to be as dramatic as one in November, when a cable on an express elevator broke and it dropped about nine floors before stopping. Firefighters broke through a brick wall from the parking garage to get to the six passengers. No one was

injured in that incident either. That elevator was not involved in the problems experienced recently, according to Gregg Cunningham, a spokesman for the Buildings Department.

Building and city officials said the elevators were repaired and put back into service.

“The elevators traveled appropriately and came to controlled stops,” the Hearn Company, which manages the building, said in a statement. “Both groups of passengers were released safely and in a timely manner after elevator engineers diagnosed the issue and opened the doors.”

“These stoppages are often triggered by mechanical or electronic issues,” the company said in another statement. “We understand that elevator stoppages can be concerning to passengers. This is why security personnel maintain contact with the passengers throughout the response.”

The first incident was caused by a malfunction in a device that keeps elevator doors closed while moving, according to the building management. In the second incident, there was an issue with “selector tape” involved in the movement of the car in the shaft.

Buildings in the Central Business District, including the former Hancock Center, are inspected annually by state-licensed companies, Cunningham said. The results are submitted to the Buildings Department. Officials said follow-up inspections at the building this week showed no code violations.

Bird said he and the others were stuck for

about 20 minutes. When they pressed a button to contact security, a guard asked them if everything was OK. They told him what had happened. They pressed the button a second time and he told them to stand by. The third time he told the group someone was on the way.

Some of the people in the elevator started to cry. Some had panic attacks, Bird said. As the elevator grew hotter and the air became harder to breathe, the group — which included two older individuals — decided to call 911.

“I understand things happen,” said Bird, adding he was more concerned about how the situation was handled.

“It’s one of those things where it’s the boy who cried wolf or something. ... I don’t know what they have to do with their elevator system.”

Chicago has had a history of not inspecting elevators. A Tribune series in 2012 found that a majority of Chicago’s elevators had not received their required annual inspections despite a reform program launched in 2009 to reduce a massive backlog of examinations.

Robert Shepherd, executive director of National Association of Elevator Safety Authorities International, which certifies elevator inspectors, said he did not know about the most recent incidents but is familiar with the building. “Usually things run really well,” he said.

Elevators are, generally speaking, safe, Shepherd said. “Elevator travel is the safest mode of travel,” he said. “The frequency of people getting entrapped is rare.”

Dad unhelpful after son accidentally kills himself

Prosecutor: As felon, father barred from having a gun

BY ALICE YIN, ALEJANDRO SERRANO AND MEGAN CREPEAU

The couple had just gotten into bed late Sunday afternoon with their 10-month-old child when a loud noise rang out in the bedroom.

The parents got up and found their 3-year-old son, Mikah Davis, on the floor bleeding from the face. The boy’s mother picked him up and tried to stop the bleeding while his father, Ronald Davis, called 911. He hung up and decided to take Mikah to Advocate Trinity Hospital, where the boy was pronounced dead.

The parents initially told authorities they assumed Mikah accidentally shot himself in the face, but police did not find a gun in the bedroom of the couple’s home in the 9600 block of South Escanaba Avenue. Officers searching the home found a handgun wrapped in a T-shirt inside a toolbox in a screened porch.

Davis, 29, was arrested about an hour after police arrived at the home and was charged with endangerment leading to death and unlawful use of a weapon by a felon, police said. On Tuesday afternoon, Cook County Circuit Judge David Navarro held Davis without bond. He is scheduled to next appear in court on Aug. 19.

“There is no question this is a tragedy,” Navarro told Davis, who appeared in court in a blue robe. The judge said he had considered the circumstances of the shooting and Davis’ arrest record, which includes a felony conviction that prohibited him from having a gun.

Assistant State Attorney James Murphy said during

the hearing that Davis was not immediately cooperative and refused to give authorities information about the gun. Inspection of the gun found that a shot had been fired but the shell casing had not been ejected, which would be consistent with a 3-year-old pulling the trigger without enough force.

Police have not gotten an explanation about how the gun ended up in the toolbox. “Someone took some time ... to do that,” Navarro said.

Davis told police that he was holding the weapon for someone and that he thought it was in a nightstand drawer. He figured Mikah had entered the room, gotten the gun and accidentally shot himself in the head. He then said he thought the handgun was in a shoebox but that he didn’t know what happened to it since.

In another statement, Davis said he knew he shouldn’t have had a gun because he was a convicted felon, according to prosecutors.

He then changed his story and told authorities in



Davis

a video-recorded statement that he had gotten the gun a few days before for protection and had not touched it since Friday. He said he was not sure how Mikah got the gun, which he described to authorities as a “baby 9 mm.”

Davis has seven brothers and sisters, a mother who is still alive, and has worked as an auto mechanic for the last five years, his lawyer, Stephen Journey, said at the hearing.

“He didn’t see what happened,” Journey said, adding that Davis has been “obviously distraught.”

“He did everything he could,” he said.

But the judge noted that the shooting would not have happened at all if Davis had not unlawfully possessed a gun. “This situation would have not occurred.”

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What to know about keeping kids safe in cars during summer

BY JESSICA VILLAGOMEZ

In his 30 years working with the Chicago Fire Department, Deputy District Chief Walter Schroeder remembers the summer of 1995 as a scorcher of a year. The blistering Chicago heat wave caused an uptick of heatstroke cases, but the incident where he discovered three children dead in a station wagon stuck with him.

“It was pretty troubling,” Schroeder said. “My kids were pretty young at the time. It was years ago, but I remember. This truly is something that is preventable.”

This year alone, 24 children have died of heatstroke, he said.

In an effort to raise awareness about children dying of heatstroke in unattended vehicles, the Chicago Fire Department teamed with local representatives to highlight prevention and safety tips.

The demonstration comes in light of Rep. Jan Schakowsky’s proposed bill, known as the Hot Cars Act, which would require new vehicles to be equipped with an alarm system to alert a driver if a child is in the back seat. The legislation would require sensor and notification technology.

Why are children especially vulnerable to heatstroke? According

to Dr. Michelle Macy of Lurie’s Children Hospital, a child’s body can feel the effects of heat three to four times faster than an adult body. Children also have less ability to use cooling methods to reduce heat.

“It’s important for us to be mindful,” Macy said. “Toddlers and infants can’t escape the car if needed.”

What temperature is too high? How quickly are children in danger in unattended vehicles? Once a vehicle reaches 104 degrees, irreversible damage can occur to the body, Schroeder said. Factors such as temperature, age and medical conditions determine the amount of damage an individual in a vehicle can face. However, it is especially dangerous to be in an enclosed vehicle for more than 15 minutes.

What if I only leave a child in a vehicle for a brief moment? Children shouldn’t be left in a vehicle alone for any period of time, said Torine Creppy president of Safe Kids Worldwide.

“The temperature inside a car climbs dramatically, and cracking a window doesn’t help,” Creppy said. “Never leave your child in a car unattended, even for a minute.”

For those who think they can leave a car unattended but with the air conditioning on, Schroeder added that it is

against Illinois law to leave a vehicle on and unattended.

How do I keep from forgetting my children? Occasionally, it’s possible for a parent to forget about their child in the back seat, Creppy said.

Oftentimes, a change in routine may prevent a parent from realizing there are children in the vehicle. Creppy added that sometimes younger children will get in a vehicle and realize they have no method of getting out of the car. Most often, a parent will think they can run into a place quickly while their children remain safely in the car.

Aside from never leaving a child unattended in a vehicle, Creppy recommended parents put something in the back of the car as a reminder to check the back seat before exiting.

What do I do if I see a child in a vehicle? If you encounter a child trapped in a car, Schroeder said to immediately call 911 to seek assistance. Schroeder said to try to open the car doors in case they may be unlocked and to take the child into a shaded area. Macy said if you encounter a child displaying heatstroke symptoms, begin a cooling process and move the child into a shaded or air-conditioned environment to lower their body temperature.

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LED street lights illuminate traffic on Lake Shore Drive near North Avenue Beach last week in Chicago.

LED streetlights' pollution may worsen West Nile virus

Study: As birds' infectious time rises, so will transmission to man

BY KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS

Light pollution can extend by 41% how long sparrows are infectious with West Nile virus, which could make it more likely that they transmit the lethal disease to mosquitoes and on to people, a new study from researchers in Florida has found.

The type of LED lights being installed around the city of Chicago to replace more than a quarter of a million high-pressure sodium light fixtures, in use since the 1970s, could exacerbate the problem by making light pollution worse, experts said, although the city disputes that.

Meredith Kernbach, a University of South Florida doctoral candidate and lead researcher, recently published her findings in Proceedings of the Royal Society B.

"This is really the first study that's kind of investigating the effects of light pollution on infectious disease," Kernbach said in an interview. "We have to admit this is a captive (laboratory) study, but if we see something similar in urban areas near people, it may increase the opportunity for spillover to humans."

Kernbach chose house sparrows because they often live in urban areas and because they're a good example of what's known as a reservoir species, which doesn't often die from West Nile but can pass it on to mosquitoes. The study exposed some birds to light at night, with the control group in darkness, she said. The birds exposed to artificial light stayed sick with West Nile an average of two days longer than the control group.

"We also know light pollution has a lot of negative consequences for animals and people. It's a real threat," Kernbach said. "So we wanted to examine the direct role of light in fighting infection."

Birds use light cues as part of daily and seasonal rhythms, informing what time they begin chirping as well as when to migrate or produce young, said Doug

Stotz, a bird expert at the Field Museum.

Kernbach's study, however, may be the first indication that light pollution can affect the spread of zoonotic diseases, ones that can pass from animals to people.

Patrick Irwin, assistant director of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, read the study and has had many conversations with other scientists about its implications.

"This is something that has a lot of people in my field excited, and I'll admit, it's not something I would've thought of," Irwin said. "But it's awesome that somebody did, and now we have at least some idea that this could play an important role in the transmission of West Nile virus."

Irwin said that because nature is so much more complex than a lab, light might not have as profound an effect in the wild. That's particularly true because the control group was kept entirely in the dark at night, conditions not easily found anywhere in the Chicago area. Still, he hopes additional studies, ideally outside, are performed.

"I could envision somebody going into the city and looking at what you find with sparrows who are living in a parking garage, for example, and those who are still in the city, but maybe at a forest preserve where there is less light pollution," he said.

The change from high-pressure sodium to LED lights will boost energy efficiency by about 50% and eventually drop the electricity expenditure for streetlights from \$18 million in 2017 to about \$10 million a year, said Chicago Department of Transportation spokesman Michael Claffey. The city also can expect a total rebate of roughly \$35 million from ComEd, which offers an incentive for each light converted to LED.

CDOT also said light pollution will decrease with the new lights.

"The LED fixtures we are using are designed to focus light downwards on streets and sidewalks, limiting light trespass into



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House sparrows were used in the West Nile study because they often live in urban areas like Chicago.

people's homes and the night sky," Claffey wrote in an email. "As a result, we are confident that the conversion is reducing light pollution in Chicago."

Some experts on birds and the night sky, including Kernbach, disagree with that assessment.

When the city began considering new streetlights, LED lights only came with bright white bulbs that gave off a cool-

ful the earliest proposed lights weren't used, as they registered on the lighting color scale about 4,000 Kelvin, what's known as "pure white."

Claffey said the city is installing "soft white" lights instead, with a color temperature of 3,000 Kelvin or less, "which is what the American Medical Association guidelines and the International Dark-Sky Association call

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— Meredith Kernbach, a University of South Florida doctoral candidate and researcher

toned blue light. That blue-toned light has since been making headlines as the sleep-depriving culprit in phone and computer screens, Kernbach said.

Less stark LED lights will be used in Chicago, but critics say they still will emit blue light. The city's current high-pressure sodium lights give off an orange glow that is considered less harmful, even if some people have always hated the color.

Andrew Johnston, the Adler Planetarium's vice president of astronomy and collections, agreed there have been strides in LED lights in the time since the city began talking about the move and the current installation. Adler works to preserve Chicagoans' ability to enjoy the night sky, so Johnston said he was grate-

ful for." Johnston said that's a significant stride for stargazing, although even soft white light is cooler than the warm, orange hue of sodium streetlights.

"But we also understand the new lights will have shielding that concentrates the light downward, so we remain optimistic," he said.

Adler also will undertake its own study by continuing to send high-altitude balloons into the stratosphere to map the light pollution a city emits, eventually creating a display of the findings between old and new streetlights.

Beyond the color hues, Stotz from the Field Museum and Annette Prince of the Chicago Audubon Society said bright lights gener-

ally are bad for birds. Birds use stars to navigate during migration, and it's believed that's why they find bright lights hard to resist, Stotz said.

"The analogy I use is if you turn the light on at the back of your house, all the moths come into that light," Stotz said. "Birds are doing much the same thing when they are migrating and see a city lit up."

Stotz said he has studied McCormick Place and noted that when it is dark, nearly 90% fewer birds hit it and die than when it is lit up. Separately, Prince said a lone building in Chicago has killed 1,000 birds in a single event before. Both brought up "Lights Out Chicago," a voluntary program that asks buildings downtown to turn off outdoor ornamental lighting between 11 p.m. and daybreak in spring and fall when birds are migrating.

Prince said the new streetlights will create a more dangerous environment for birds and people. One hundred years ago, most of the country was totally dark at night, and widespread outdoor lighting has only increased in popularity, she said. The brighter environment has affected myriad animals and the food web overall, from insects up the chain to humans. Birds have adapted over millions of years to instinctively know the best time to migrate or hatch young based on when certain plants will be in bloom or when insects can be found along migratory routes, she said.

"The new LED lights are going to save energy, but they are bright white and will absolutely attract birds and increase the amount of light pollution in the city. Overall our whole urban environment will be a lot brighter," she said.

Like Prince, Irwin, the mosquito expert, said Kernbach's findings are an important step in learning more about the ways light can throw off light and dark cycles, and how nocturnal light affects a body's ability to fight infection.

"This one paper is spurring a lot of scientific conversation, and that's a good thing," Irwin said.

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Lightfoot praises efforts by activists

Anti-violence push hailed in wake of Englewood deaths

BY GREGORY PRATT

Mayor Lori Lightfoot hailed the work of anti-violence activists across the city while responding to questions about two women who were shot and killed at an Englewood neighborhood intersection where one group has camped out every summer day since 2015.

"The continuing use of firearms by people who clearly have no regard for the consequences is a challenge that we are facing in a lot of areas across the city," Lightfoot said.

Chantell Grant and Andrea Stoudemire were standing at the corner of 75th Street and Stewart Avenue just before 10 p.m. Friday when someone in a blue SUV opened fire. Both women were shot several times and later died.

The two mothers were familiar faces at the Englewood intersection, where members of the group Mothers Against Senseless Killings camp out in the summer in hopes of breaking the cycle of violence in the neighborhood by transforming a corner with a history of bloodshed into a lively hangout for mothers and their children.

Police have no reason to believe the women were targeted — one was shot from half a block away, said police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, who stood next to Lightfoot at a news conference outside her City Hall office. The gunmen were apparently after a young man who was also shot and had been recently paroled for aggravated battery, Johnson said.

Lightfoot, who has made reducing the city's astonishing gun violence a top priority, praised activists who work in their communities to reduce crime.

On the West Side, she said, parishioners with Hope Community Church go block by block in the area, talking to neighbors and problem-solving, she said. Similar efforts occur in Pilsen, Little Village and other communities, she said. "There's lots of courageous people all over the city who have been doing that for years and reclaiming the territory under their feet, but yes, of course, today is a sad and devastating day due to what happened," Lightfoot said.

Lightfoot was asked if the killings would create fear among activists.

"If we let people who don't care about a sense of community, about civility, about the consequences of gun violence push us into the shadows and push us into our homes for fear of what will happen, we're never going to get ahead," she said. "The Police Department cannot fight this fight alone."

Johnson said, "We can't let individuals that don't have the morals we have hold us hostage."

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Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot and police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, shown earlier this month.

Campaign workers for mayoral candidate Enyia allege wage, overtime theft

BY GREGORY PRATT

Nearly two dozen former campaign workers for unsuccessful mayoral candidate Amara Enyia have filed complaints with the Illinois Department of Labor alleging wage and overtime theft, according to an attorney for the workers and the department.

A group of 23 workers represented by attorney

Stephen Yokich filed complaints with the department, a department spokesman said.

The workers said in a news release that the campaign committee Friends of Amara Enyia owes \$56,825 in unpaid wages and expenses.

That committee had \$5,296.22 in cash on hand as of June 30, state records show.

In response to the allegations, Enyia released a statement on Twitter noting she made a choice not to endorse either Lori Lightfoot or Toni Preckwinkle in the April election, which she cast as a pivotal decision that was endorsed by her team.

"That voluntary team decision was key because it meant the team knew fundraising post-campaign

would be a challenge, even as it allowed us to independently build on our campaign's platform and message," she said.

Enyia called the allegations "unsettling" because it was a group decision not to make an endorsement in the runoff election and she's continued her attempts to raise money.

"We had also begun making partial payments to

campaign staff as a show of good faith," Enyia said.

In a brief interview, Enyia confirmed the authenticity of the social media statement but said she couldn't comment further due to the pending complaints.

Drawing support from millennials and progressives, Enyia finished sixth in the Feb. 26 election.

Most of her campaign

cash came from hip-hop stars Chance the Rapper and Kanye West, who gave more than \$600,000 combined.

Though her star rose in debates and public forums, Enyia was dogged by questions about how she handled her own money as well as campaign funds.

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NATION & WORLD

Liberal, moderates clash at debate

Hopefuls battle over health care, party's direction in Detroit

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DETROIT — The signature domestic proposal by the leading progressive candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination came under withering attack from moderates Tuesday night in a debate that laid bare the struggle between a call for revolutionary policies and a desperate desire to defeat President Donald Trump.

Standing side by side at center stage, Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren slapped back against their more cautious rivals who ridiculed “Medicare for All” and warned that “wish-list economics” would jeopardize Democrats’ chances for taking the White House in 2020.

“I don’t understand why anybody goes to all the trouble of running for president of the United States just to talk about what we really can’t do and shouldn’t fight for,” said Warren, a Massachusetts senator, decrying Democratic “spinelessness.”

Sanders, a Vermont senator, agreed: “I get a little bit tired of Democrats afraid of big ideas.”

A full six months before the first votes are cast, the tug-of-war over the future of the party pits pragmatism against ideological purity as voters navigate a crowded Democratic field divided by age, race, sex and ideology. The fight with the political left was the dominant subplot on the first night of the



Presidential hopefuls — from left, Marianne Williamson, Tim Ryan, Amy Klobuchar, Pete Buttigieg, Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren, Beto O'Rourke, John Hickenlooper, John Delaney and Steve Bullock — arrive Tuesday for the Detroit debate.

second round of Democratic debates, which was notable as much for its tension as its substance.

Twenty candidates are spread evenly over two nights of debates. Wednesday will feature former Vice President Joe Biden as well as Kamala Harris, a California senator.

Also on stage Tuesday night were former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, former Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper, Ohio Rep. Tim Ryan and author and activist Marianne Williamson.

While much of the debate was dominated by attacks on the preferred liberal health care policy, the issue of race emerged in the second hour. The candidates were unified in turning their anger toward

Trump for using race as a central theme in his reelection campaign. Sanders called Trump a racist, while others said the president's rhetoric revived memories of the worst in the country's history, including slavery.

“The legacy of slavery and segregation and Jim Crow and suppression is alive and well in every aspect of the economy and the country today,” said former Texas Rep. Beto O'Rourke, adding that he supported the creation of a panel to examine reparations for the descendants of slaves.

The marathon presidential primary season won't formally end for another year, but there was an increasing sense of urgency for many candidates who

are fighting for survival. More than a dozen could be blocked from the next round of debates — and effectively pushed out of the race — if they fail to reach new polling and fundraising thresholds implemented by the Democratic National Committee.

Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar, who is working to keep her campaign alive, aligned herself with the pragmatic wing: “We are more worried about winning an argument than winning an election.”

Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, in his first debate appearance, took a swipe at Sanders: Working people “can't wait for a revolution,” he charged. “Their problems are here and now.”

While he avoided any

direct confrontations with his more liberal rivals, Pete Buttigieg tried several times to present himself as the more sober alternative in the race. He rejected extreme positions, quoted scripture and abstained from calling out his opponents.

The 37-year-old mayor of South Bend, Indiana, subtly emphasized the generational difference between himself and Sanders, the candidate 40 years his senior standing to his side.

Perhaps no issue illustrates the evolving divide within the party more than health care.

Sanders' plan to provide free universal health care, known as Medicare for All, has become a litmus test for liberal candidates, who

have embraced the plan to transform the current system despite the political and practical risks. Medicare for All would abandon the private insurance market in favor of a taxpayer-funded system that would cover all Americans.

In targeting Medicare for All, the more moderate candidates consistently sought to undermine Sanders and Warren. The moderates variously derided Medicare for All as too costly, ineffective and a near-certain way to give Republicans the evidence they needed that Democrats supported socialism.

“They’re running on telling half the country that their health care is illegal,” said former Maryland Rep. John Delaney.

“We have a choice: We can go down the road that Sen. Sanders and Sen. Warren want to take us, which is with bad policies like Medicare for All, free everything and impossible promises,” he continued. “It will turn off independent voters and get Trump reelected.”

Buttigieg called on his party to stop the infighting.

“It is time to stop worrying about what the Republicans will say,” Buttigieg declared. “It’s true that if we embrace a far-left agenda, they’re going to say we’re a bunch of crazy socialists. If we embrace a conservative agenda, you know what they’re going to do? They’re going to say we’re a bunch of crazy socialists. So let’s just stand up for the right policy, go out there and defend it.”

Williamson, who won over the crowd with her comments on Flint, Michigan's water crisis, called for “some radical truth telling.”

DCCC staff shake-up amid diversity complaints

BY ALAN FRAM
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WASHINGTON — A mass departure of top aides shook House Democrats' campaign arm Tuesday, an exodus prompted by complaints from Latino and black lawmakers that the organization's staff lacked diversity.

Rep. Cheri Bustos, D-Ill., chairwoman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said in a statement late Monday that she had “fallen short” and promised to “work tirelessly to ensure that our staff is truly inclusive.” Executive Director Allison Jaslow announced her departure and a DCCC aide said five other senior aides had also resigned.

The tumult comes in a period when race has become a partisan battlefield, following a series of Twitter attacks by President Donald Trump on House Democrats of color. In his latest blasts, he has disparaged Democratic Rep. Elijah Cummings and his city of Baltimore, which is majority black.

The shake-up also occurred as both parties are already fundraising and recruiting candidates for the

2020 elections, in which Democrats will be defending their House majority. The DCCC outspent its counterpart, the National Republican Congressional Committee, in the 2018 elections that saw Democrats regain House control after eight years in the minority.

Lawmakers complaining about the DCCC's staff have included Texas Democratic Reps. Filemon Vela and Vicente Gonzalez and Ohio Rep. Marcia Fudge, a member of the Congressional Black Caucus.

Bustos, 57, became chairwoman of the campaign committee following the 2018 elections, arguing she would be effective because she has represented a swing district that swung to support Trump in 2016.

Latino lawmakers became disenchanted after she replaced top staffers, including many minorities, with aides who were largely white, said an aide to Gonzalez who spoke on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to discuss the matter publicly. New committee leaders often name longtime aides to their staffs.

In a statement last weekend, Gonzalez and Vela said

the DCCC was “in complete chaos.” They said Bustos should appoint a person of color to be executive director “to restore confidence in the organization and to promote diversity.”

Fudge also told Politico, which first reported about the DCCC's disarray, about her unhappiness about the lack of diversity.

“It is shocking, and something needs to be done about it,” she said.

Gabrielle Brown, spokeswoman for the Congressional Black Caucus, said black House lawmakers have been holding meetings with DCCC officials for months at which they expressed similar concerns. None of the lawmakers complained about the DCCC's performance this year in raising money and finding candidates to challenge Republicans, the committee's main job.

Bustos has also encountered broader problems that have caused divisions within the party.

Liberals in and out of Congress were angered when she announced the DCCC would not do business with political consultants who help Democrats challenging incumbent House Democrats. Much of



Rep. Cheri Bustos, chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said she's “fallen short” and would work to make the staff “truly inclusive.”

DCCC's money comes from dues paid by House Democrats, and incumbents have argued that an organization they finance should not give some of its lucrative business to consultants who work for challengers trying to unseat them.

Many Democrats were also unhappy when Bustos planned to attend an event in support of fellow Illinois

Democratic Rep. Dan Lipinski, an abortion opponent and one of the most conservative house Democrats. Bustos ended up not attending.

A House leadership aide said top Democrats largely faulted the now-departed Jaslow for not quickly responding to the complaints. The aide, who spoke on condition of anonymity be-

cause he wasn't authorized to discuss the situation publicly, said leaders did not believe Bustos should leave her post.

Jaslow, an Iraq War veteran, said in a statement that “sometimes selfless service means having the courage to take a bow for the sake of the mission — especially when the stakes are so high.”

Italy: Slain police officer wasn't carrying gun when stabbed

BY FRANCES D'EMILIO
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ROME — A plainclothes police officer had forgotten his gun the night he was fatally stabbed during a confrontation with two American teenagers in Rome, an Italian police commander said Tuesday.

Gen. Francesco Gargaro of Italy's paramilitary Carabinieri police force said that even if the officer had been armed, he would not have had time to draw his weapon before he was mortally

wounded with a military-style knife.

During a news conference, the commander provided some of the first details about the encounter early Friday in which Deputy Brigadier Mario Cerciello Rega, 35, was knifed 11 times.

Cerciello Rega and a partner, Andrea Varriale, were assigned to respond to an extortion attempt involving a failed drug deal, Gargaro said. Thieves had de-



Cerciello Rega

manded money and cocaine in exchange for returning a stolen backpack, he said.

The officers were in plainclothes and identified themselves as Carabinieri as they approached two suspects, but were immediately attacked, Gargaro said. Asked why Cerciello Rega didn't pull his gun, Gargaro said the officer had “forgotten” his weapon after being called into work on a sched-

uled day off.

“In any case, there was no time to use it,” Gargaro said.

The police said other officers didn't know Cerciello Rega didn't have his gun with him when he set out on assignment.

Two suspects from California, Finnegan Lee Elder, 19, and Gabriel Christian Natale-Hjorth, 18, were detained in the officer's slaying. Police have said Elder is suspected of stabbing Cerciello Rega and Natale-Hjorth is suspected of assaulting the other officer.

Varriale did have his gun, but after Natale-Hjorth stopped punching and scratching and ran off, the officer turned his attention to his wounded partner, Gargaro said.

The general also stressed that under Italian law it is illegal to fire at a fleeing suspect. If he had done so, Varriale “would have been under investigation for a grave crime.”

A judge who approved the jailing of the two suspects Saturday said there were “grave” indications the

Americans were responsible for the officer's death.

Amanda Knox, an American who was convicted but ultimately acquitted of the 2007 slaying of her British housemate in Italy, tweeted that she was getting a lot of questions about the current.

“All I can say is: I'm withholding judgment,” said Knox, whose closely watched case received sensational and exhaustive news coverage. “It should be tried in the court of law, not the court of public opinion.”

Sudanese diaspora unites over divided home

Capital and rebel region expats feel bound by 1 purpose

BY CLAIRE PARKER
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WASHINGTON — When Sudan's ruling military council shut down internet service in June in an effort to quell pro-democracy protests, Sudanese Americans sprang into action, calling loved ones back home to glean information and share it with the world.

Sudanese expatriates in the United States have smuggled SIM cards into the country to help advocates counter a harsh government crackdown, sent money for tear-gas masks and helped activists in danger to escape.

Through WhatsApp groups and social media, Sudanese immigrants from the capital, Khartoum, have mobilized alongside those from Darfur, a western region home to several separate ethnic groups that was targeted by Khartoum-backed militias 15 years ago for ethnic cleansing in which more than 300,000 people were killed.

They have lobbied Congress to advocate for a new political era in Sudan and planned frequent demonstrations.

Immigrants from Khartoum and Darfur have not



Ghana Eldawi, left, and Aya El-Mufti offer prayers after a rally in Washington, D.C.

worked together in the past, their leaders say. But with the security forces responsible for the Darfur genocide now turning on pro-democracy demonstrators, the two communities increasingly feel bound by a common purpose.

The situation has "united Sudanese across all political, geographic and social boundaries," said Niemat Ahmadi, founder of the Washington-based Darfur Women Action Group, who arrived in the United States as a refugee in 2007.

The Sudanese Embassy

in Washington did not respond to requests for comment.

Although many of the estimated 44,000 Sudanese in this country share the experience of arriving as refugees, distinct subpopulations did so under different circumstances. Some — like Sumayia Abdel Hadi, a former political prisoner in Khartoum who now lives in North Carolina — received political asylum when the government of military dictator Gen. Omar al-Bashir made life in Sudan too difficult for them.

Others fled Darfur amid threats to their lives, beginning in 2003.

The Save Darfur movement captured the attention of American politicians, and the world, in the years that followed. The International Criminal Court issued warrants for Bashir's arrest for crimes against humanity and genocide. In the District, Darfuri immigrants and allies coalesced to hold monthly vigils in front of the Sudanese Embassy.

But Darfur — and Sudan broadly — faded from American consciousness

with the inauguration of President Barack Obama in 2009 and the Arab Spring in 2011, activists say. The former ushered in an administration that sought to normalize relations with Bashir's regime. The latter diverted global attention elsewhere on the continent.

"The movement started kind of disintegrating," Ahmadi recalled.

Bahar Arabie, 62, who arrived in the Washington area as a refugee from Darfur in 2006, said residents of Sudan's northern cities — and their relatives in the United States — have often ignored atrocities in the country's periphery.

"When this genocide happened in Darfur, there was not much sympathy from these people in the north," Arabie said.

That began to change in recent months.

Bashir was swept from power in a military coup in April, but protests have continued, as pro-democracy crowds demand civilian rule. In June, security forces opened fire on the protesters' encampment. Advocates say the government-backed militias killed at least 128 people, raped women and threw bodies into the Nile.

"Now we know what happened in Darfur. We feel the pain," said Sulaf Lutfi, a Sudanese immigrant who organized a rally last week

in Washington.

Before the uprising, Mohamed Abubakr — a human rights activist who leads the Washington-based African Middle Eastern Leadership Project — said he and a handful of others made up the extent of the Sudan lobby in Washington.

Since then, Abubakr has trained dozens of young Sudanese Americans. He has armed them with talking points and sent them to Capitol Hill, where he says they have visited every lawmaker's office.

They try to appeal to core American interests: preventing a regional power vacuum, countering the influence of Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states, and holding military leaders accountable for human rights violations.

Their advocacy comes with risks. Abubakr said a member of the Sudanese security forces called him and threatened to release an incriminating video. His response: Go ahead.

"No matter how long you're away, you're still connected there," said Sakina Eltom, a Vanderbilt medical school professor from rural northern Sudan who came to last week's protest.

The diaspora's efforts have borne some fruit: Both chambers of Congress recently passed resolutions calling for a transition to civilian government.



A U.S. Embassy car leaves the American trade delegation's hotel Tuesday in Shanghai. In tweets, President Trump accused China of delaying negotiations over the trade war.

Trump signals US-China talks may drag on past '20 election

BY TAYLOR TELFORD, DAMIAN PALETTA AND DAVID J. LYNCH
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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Tuesday said a new trade deal with China might not come until after the 2020 election, a significant departure from more than a year of trying to exert pressure on the world's second-largest economy.

His comments were the latest in a series of evolving, and sometime contradictory, strategic shifts. Less than two months ago, he announced that a huge crackdown against China was imminent. On Tuesday, he suggested that further action could be more than a year away, and everything could change based on whether he is reelected.

In tweets, Trump accused China of delaying negotiations, which began in earnest last December. Even as Trump's chief trade advisers resumed talks in Shanghai, the president's tweets suggested a deal may be further away than it had seemed in recent months.

"My team is negotiating with them now, but they always change the deal in the end to their benefit," Trump tweeted.

Some business leaders

are growing worried at the lack of progress in the talks, which the administration in May said were on the verge of a historic deal before collapsing. Despite Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping agreeing last month to restart negotiations, the bargaining has been slow to resume.

"The two sides are still trying to figure out how to get back to the table," said Myron Brilliant, executive vice president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. "We were close in May. Now the ground has gotten shakier."

Several Chamber executives were in Beijing earlier this month and warned Chinese officials against waiting for a better deal after the 2020 election. A prolonged delay risks the appearance of new issues that could complicate hopes for a comprehensive deal, Brilliant said.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer are expected to meet Xi before leaving Shanghai on Wednesday.

Trump first flagged the possibility of trade talks dragging beyond the 2020 elections Friday, but his decision to repeat the claim Tuesday rattled investors.

This is at least the sec-

ond big part of Trump's economic agenda that he has signaled likely won't be accomplished in his first term. He has recently told advisers that he won't be able to focus on spending cuts until after his reelection, and cutting the budget was one of his core campaign promises.

What began with tariffs on steel last summer has metastasized into a trade conflict that has affected two of the most powerful engines in the global economy. In tweets, Trump crowed about the China's economic slowdown, claiming the nation had lost millions of jobs because of his tariffs.

"China is doing very badly, worst year in 27," Trump tweeted. "China has lost 5 million jobs and two million manufacturing jobs due to Trump tariffs. Trumps got China back on its heels, and the United States is doing great."

Although Trump maintains the conflict is mostly hurting China, experts say the trade war is damaging the U.S. economy and possibly fueling a global slowdown.

Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell has pointed to headwinds from the trade war as a reason the central bank could cut interest rates Wednesday.

Pentagon nominee denies sexual misconduct allegations

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WASHINGTON — The Air Force general nominated to be the nation's number two military officer flatly denied allegations of sexual misconduct Tuesday, and appeared headed for confirmation after answering pointed questions from senators for more than two hours.

With his wife of 32 years sitting behind him and his accuser looking on from a short distance away, Air Force Gen. John Hyten told senators that "all the allegations are completely false." Most of the senators on the Armed Services Committee appeared to support him, including Sen. Martha McSally, R-Ariz., a former fighter pilot who has publicly described her own sexual assault.

Hyten's denial comes after several months' delay in the nomination process as senators held five classified sessions, poured over thousands of pages of the investigation and interviewed Hyten and Army Col. Kathryn Spletstoser, the officer who made the allegations.

Spletstoser says Hyten, who has been nominated to be the next vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, subjected her to a series of unwanted sexual advances in 2017.

"Nothing happened. Ever," Hyten told the committee, adding that the allegations were shown to be false after a "fair and extensive investigation."

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations reviewed the matter and found insufficient evidence to charge Hyten or recommend any administrative punishment.

The committee is expected to approve the nomination by the end of the week. The current vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Paul Selva, retires Wednesday.



Gen. John Hyten hugs his wife, Laura, following a Senate Armed Services Committee hearing Tuesday.



Army Col. Kathryn Spletstoser listens to Gen. Hyten's testimony.

Hyten was asked about military issues, including his views on Trump administration efforts to wind down the war in Afghanistan and the need to modernize the nation's nuclear weapons, but a large portion of the hearing focused on the allegations against him.

Former Air Force Secretary Heather Wilson, who authorized the initial investigation, opened the hearing with an endorsement of Hyten, calling his accuser a "wounded soldier" who might "believe what she is saying is true."

Spletstoser told The Associated Press she was stung by Wilson's remarks.

"I was appalled and hurt quite frankly," said Spletstoser, who received a mild head injury while serving in Afghanistan in 2005. "To suggest that I would lie under oath and make up an allegation of sexual assault because of my combat injury is disgusting."

Spletstoser said that Hyten subjected her to a series of unwanted sexual advances by kissing, hug-

ging and rubbing up against her in 2017 while she was one of his top aides. She said she repeatedly pushed him away and told him to stop, and that he tried to derail her military career after she rebuffed him.

Asked about one of the incidents, Hyten denied ever going to her hotel room while they were traveling on business. Members of his security detail corroborated his account of his whereabouts.

McSally said she has "full confidence" in Hyten and believes he is innocent. "This wasn't just a jump ball. Not a he said, she said," McSally said. "Sexual assault happens in the military. It just didn't happen in this case."

Several senators questioned Hyten's leadership abilities, particularly since he initially considered Spletstoser a brilliant officer but later had her investigated for being a "toxic leader."

Sen. Mazie Hirono, D-Hawaii, also remained skeptical about the assault charges.

"While we have not been presented with any corroborating evidence, the lack of it does not necessarily mean that the accusations are untrue," she told Hyten. "Women are assaulted all the time and don't tell anyone. Men assault women all the time and don't leave behind any evidence."

South Dakota GOP reminds students: 'In God We Trust'

BY REIS THEBAULT
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South Dakota's GOP lawmakers said it was about history — the motto appears on money, on license plates and in the fourth stanza of the "Star-Spangled Banner." It's also likely discussed in the classroom, where historical inquiry is a key part of the state's social studies curriculum.

But legislators said they want to make it more clear; they want to "reaffirm" it. So this fall, when students

return to school, a new and compulsory message will greet them: "In God We Trust." It'll be the first new academic year since South Dakota's GOP leadership passed a law requiring every public school to display the American maxim "in a prominent location" and in a typeface no smaller than 12-by-12 inches.

"Our national motto and founding documents are the cornerstone of freedom and we should teach our children about these things," Sen. Phil Jensen,

the Rapid City politician who sponsored the bill, said at a hearing on the legislation. "In God We Trust" replaced the original motto, E pluribus unum, in 1956.

South Dakota joins a growing list of states that force their schools to display the motto. At least six states passed "In God We Trust" bills last year, and 10 more have introduced or passed the legislation so far in 2019. Similar signage is going up in Kentucky schools this summer.

Opponents of these laws

contend that the statute is about far more than history and they have argued that its invocation of "God" is an endorsement of religion and a violation of the First Amendment.

"Our position is that it's a terrible violation of freedom of conscience to inflict a godly message on a captive audience of schoolchildren," Freedom From Religion Foundation copresident Annie Laurie Gaylor said.

The South Dakota chapter of the American Civil

Liberties Union also opposes the law, arguing in a statement that, "No student should feel pressured in public school to adopt certain religious beliefs."

Even Jensen, after being questioned about his bill's intent, conceded it was informed by religion.

"Our country was founded on Judeo-Christian principles and I'm sure that's where the motto emanates from," Jensen said. "I view this as a historical reaffirmation of the principles our country was

founded on."

A number of the state's students have objected to the new requirement. At a Rapid City school board meeting in May, a group of local high school students proposed an alternate motto that included the names of other deities like Buddha and Allah, along with the secular options, "ourselves" and "science." The students said they are proud Americans, but they feel "In God We Trust" privileges Christianity over other belief systems.

'We remember every sacred soul'

Trump decries slavery at Jamestown event amid accusations of racism

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JAMESTOWN, Va. — President Donald Trump marked the 400th anniversary of the rise of American democracy on Tuesday by celebrating “four incredible centuries of history, heritage and commitment to the righteous cause of American self-government.” His speech in historic Jamestown played out against a backdrop of tension over his recent disparaging remarks about minority members of Congress and was boycotted by black Virginia state legislators.

In fact, before Trump departed from the White House, he leveled more attacks at Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., and the “corrupt” city he represents, telling reporters that residents of Baltimore are “living in hell” and claiming that thousands of African Americans have thanked him for highlighting the city’s problems.

Trump also said that he would visit Baltimore “at the right time” and claimed that he has helped himself politically with his relentless attacks that began with tweets over the weekend in which he called the city a “rodent infested mess.”

In his remarks in Jamestown, Trump noted that 1619 also was the year the first enslaved Africans arrived in the colonies, saying, “We remember every sacred soul who suffered the horrors of slavery and the anguish of bondage.”

Trump said that the United States has had many achievements in its history, but “none exceeds the triumph that we are here to celebrate today.”

“Self-government in Virginia did not just give us a

state we love — in a very true sense it gave us the country we love, the United States of America,” he said.

His speech was interrupted by a protester who stood up and held signs that read “deport hate” and “reunite my family.” A third message said “go back to your corrupted home.” The protester, Ibraheem Samirah, a Democratic member of the Virginia House, was led out of the speech site as some members of the crowd chanted “Trump, Trump, Trump.”

Samirah said in a statement that he was confident his constituents would rather him protest than “passively accept” Trump’s presence. Republican House Speaker Kirk Cox called the protest “inconsistent with common decency and a violation of the rules of the House.”

Ahead of his speech, Trump said the black legislators who announced a boycott of the event were going “against their own people.”

Trump claimed African Americans “love the job” he’s doing and are “happy as hell” with his recent comments criticizing a majority black district in the Baltimore area and its congressman.

“The African American community is so thankful,” Trump said. “They’ve called me and said finally someone is telling the truth.”

“Those people are living in hell in Baltimore,” Trump added. “They really appreciate what I’m doing, and they’ve let me know it.” He offered no specifics about who had contacted him.

Trump blamed Cummings, the chairman of the House Oversight Committee, for problems in the city, saying, “he’s had a very iron hand on it.”



STEVE HELBER/AP

President Trump addresses a commemorative meeting of the Virginia General Assembly at Jamestown Settlement.

In fact, African Americans continue to be overwhelmingly negative in their assessments of the president’s performance. According to Gallup polling, approval among black Americans has hovered around 1 in 10 over the course of Trump’s presidency, with 8% approving in June.

A last-minute announcement that the president would participate in the Jamestown commemorative assembly in the Western Hemisphere injected tension into an event years in the making. Demonstrators gathered Tuesday morning near the site where Trump was to speak.

“The commemoration of the birth of this nation and its democracy will be tarnished unduly with the

participation of the President, who continues to make degrading comments toward minority leaders, promulgate policies that harm marginalized communities, and use racist and xenophobic rhetoric,” the Black Caucus said in a statement Monday.

A caucus statement said Trump’s “repeated attacks on Black legislators and comments about Black communities makes him ill-suited to honor and commemorate such a monumental period in history.”

Black Caucus chairman Del. Lamont Bagby said the group reached a unanimous decision to boycott the event more than a week ago but that the president has “continued his attacks” since then, including with his remarks about Cummings’ district.

On Tuesday morning, Trump tweeted: “Heading to Jamestown, Virginia. Word is the Democrats will make it as uncomfortable as possible, but that’s ok because today is not about them!”

Trump used the speech to make an optimistic case for America’s future, saying “America always gets the job done.”

“That is why after 400 years of glorious American democracy, we have returned here to this place to declare to all the world that the United States of America and the great Commonwealth of Virginia are just getting started,” he said.

Following a visit Monday afternoon with students attending summer programs at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Cummings referenced the controversy

with Trump in a tweet.

“I am fueled by these smart and energized young people and I will continue to do every day what I am duty-bound to do — help my constituents to live their best lives and serve as a check on the Executive Branch,” he wrote.

Today’s Virginia General Assembly, considered the oldest continuously operating legislative body in North America, grew out of the assembly that first gathered in 1619.

The anniversary comes at a time of heightened election-year partisanship in Virginia in the aftermath of political scandals that engulfed the state’s top three elected officials, all Democrats.

The Washington Post contributed.

Town grapples with grief after shooting

Gilroy residents defiant in aftermath of California attack

BY KATHLEEN RONAYNE AND JULIE WATSON
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GILROY, Calif. — Only a few days ago, Gilroy was known for one thing: garlic. The rural community about 90 minutes south of San Francisco lived and breathed the prized, pungent crop.

Now it’s the site of the latest U.S. mass shooting.

A 19-year-old gunman slipped into the annual Gilroy Garlic Festival on Sunday evening and fired a military-style rifle before police shot him to death.

Hundreds of residents held a candlelight vigil Monday night to mourn a 6-year-old boy, a 13-year-old girl and a New York college graduate who were killed.

As they raised votive candles, long tapers or tea lights, they also raised their spirits in the defiant cry of “Gilroy Strong.”

A sign with the phrase underneath an American flag covered in two garlic cloves hung from the front of the stage.

“We cannot let the bastard that did this tear us down,” Mayor Roland Velasco declared to cheers.

It was the cry heard so

often after shootings at schools, parks, movies, nightclubs and festivals nationwide.

The shooting brought out renewed demands for national gun control by politicians in California, which already has some of the strictest firearms laws in the nation. Gov. Gavin Newsom called for controls on high-powered, high-capacity guns that he labeled “weapons of mass destruction.”

“It keeps happening, over and over and over again, on their damn watch,” Newsom told reporters. “I can’t put borders up in a neighboring state where you can buy this damn stuff legally.”

The shooter, Santino William Legan, legally purchased the military-style rifle this month in Nevada, where his last address is listed. Under a California law that went into effect Jan. 1, residents younger than 21 are barred from buying guns unless they are in the military or law enforcement. Those 18 and up can buy guns in Nevada.

Authorities sought a motive for the killings. On the day of the attack, Legan urged his Instagram followers to read a 19th-century book popular with white supremacists on extremist websites. He also complained about overcrowding towns and paving open

space to make room for “hordes” of Latinos and Silicon Valley whites.

Legan also posted a photo from the Gilroy Garlic Festival minutes before opening fire, saying, “Come get wasted on overpriced” items. His since-deleted Instagram account says he is Italian and Iranian.

Authorities said they are reviewing his social media for clues. They say he appeared to fire at random and that police patrolling the event responded within a minute and killed Legan as he turned the weapon on them.

Five people were still in hospitals, Bay Area station KTVU reported Tuesday.

Legan grew up less than a mile from the park where the city known as the “Garlic Capital of the World” has held its three-day festival for four decades, attracting more than 100,000 people with music, food booths and cooking classes.

Police searched Legan’s vehicle and his family’s home, leaving with paper bags. Authorities also searched an apartment they believed Legan used this month in remote northern Nevada.

Big Mikes Gun and Ammo, which appears to be a home-based internet gun shop in Fallon, Nevada, said on its Facebook page that



NOAH BERGER/AP

Susan Meyers and husband Michael Oshan listen to a hymn during a vigil for victims.

Legan ordered the rifle off its website and “was acting happy and showed no reasons for concern” when the store owner met him. The post said the owner was “heartbroken this could ever happen.”

The youngest victim, Stephen Romero, described by his grandmother as a kind, happy and playful child, had just celebrated his 6th birthday in June.

“My son had his whole life to live, and he was only 6,” his father, Alberto Romero, told San Francisco Bay Area news station KNTV after the shooting.

Also killed was 13-year-old Keyla Salazar from San Jose. The teen was eating ice cream with family when they heard gunshots and began to flee, said her aunt, Katuska Vargas.

The teen stayed back to

keep pace with a relative who uses a cane and was shot with a bullet that otherwise might have hit the woman, Vargas said. Keyla’s stepfather was wounded as he went back for her.

“She was such a caring person,” Vargas said. “She would give everything to other people. We lost a really beautiful life.”

The oldest victim was Trevor Irby, 25, who graduated in 2017 from Keuka College in New York.

Troy Towner said his sister, Wendy Towner, was at the festival with her business, the Honey Ladies, when she saw a man with a gun climb over the fence. She yelled at him: “No, you can’t do that!”

The gunman shot her in the leg and her husband three times, while a young girl dragged their 3-year-old

son under a table, Towner wrote on a fundraising page he set up for his sister.

Legan then approached the couple as they lay motionless on the ground and asked if they were all right. They didn’t move, fearing he would finish them off, Towner wrote.

Towner said his sister underwent surgery and was expected to have long-term nerve damage, while her husband faces many surgeries.

Jan Dickson, a neighbor who lives across the street from the Legan family, described them as “a nice, normal family.” She said Santino Legan had not lived there for at least a year.

“How do you cope with this? They have to deal with the fact that their son did this terrible thing and that he died,” Dickson said.

2 dead, 2 wounded in shooting at Mississippi Walmart

BY ADRIAN SAINZ
Associated Press

SOUTHAVEN, Miss. — A gunman described as a disgruntled Walmart employee fatally shot two co-workers and wounded a police officer before he was shot and arrested Tuesday at a Walmart store in northern Mississippi, authorities said.

Southaven Police Chief Macon Moore said the man, whom he did not name, shot a Southaven police officer, who was protected by a

bulletproof vest and suffered minor injuries. The chief said a second Southaven officer shot the suspect, who was then taken for surgery to a hospital in neighboring Memphis, Tennessee.

Both people killed were Walmart employees, Moore said. Employees told The Associated Press that the first was shot in the parking lot, and the second was shot inside the store.

Southaven Mayor Darren Musselwhite described the suspect as a disgruntled

worker with a grievance against his employer. Travis Jones, an overnight stocker, said the suspect had gotten in trouble after pulling a knife on a customer.

“It wasn’t an accident,” said Jones, who was working when he heard shots. “He knew what he was doing when he came in there.”

Jones said he saw the body of store manager Anthony Brown on the floor as they ran out of the store. “It was an ugly scene,” he said. DeSoto County Coroner

Joshua Pounders said the 40-year-old Brown appears to have died from a gunshot wound.

Nicholas Gales said the other slain worker was his brother, 38-year-old Brandon Gales, of Hernando.

The shooting around 6:30 a.m. brought a massive police response to the shopping complex in Southaven, a suburb of 55,000 people.

“If it hadn’t been for their efforts there would have been more lives lost,” Musselwhite said, noting Southaven officers recently

undertook active shooter training.

“The entire Walmart family is heartbroken by the loss of two valued members of our team,” Walmart U.S. President and CEO Greg Foran said in a statement. “We feel tragedies like this personally, and our hearts go out to the families of our two associates and the officer who was injured.”

The company is relieved the suspect was apprehended, and appreciates the quick response by authorities and employees, he said.



BRANDON DILL/AP

Law enforcement and Walmart employees gather in a parking lot after a shooting in the store Tuesday.

Hearts? Shoulders? Skin? Push print.

Doctors turning to 3D technology to help treat patients

BY SARAH MEEHAN AND MEREDITH COHN
Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — Scampering around the floor of her father's family room, 1-year-old Syah Weddington is quicker on four limbs than two. After a few passes crawling from one end of the room to the other, her mom scoops her up to her lap.

The baby's labored breathing is audible.

"You hear the panting and you can feel her chest moving rapidly," said her mom, Briana Seimah. "Sometimes I just take her, pull her to the side and let her take a little break before she gets back to playing."

Syah moves and chatters like most other babies her age. But beneath her ruffled pink shirt, her heart is different. Scars down the center of her chest and across her left shoulder blade chronicle two heart surgeries she endured in her first six months. At age 3, she'll have another.

About 1% of babies are born with congenital heart defects. A fraction of those children have severe heart problems. With a kinked aorta, holes in her heart and two right ventricles, the shape of Syah's heart is rare, making surgical repairs complicated. But using 3D-printed models of her heart, doctors at the University of Maryland Medical Center were able to anticipate the anatomical differences they would find when they cut open Syah's chest, increasing the chances for a shorter and successful surgery.

Such models, made from patients' own images, are becoming more common in U.S. hospitals, allowing doctors to better plan for complicated cardiovascular and orthopedic sur-



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Doctors for Syah Weddington, left, used 3D printings of her heart to plan a course of treatment for congenital defects.

geries. The 3D-printing technology also is used to make custom prosthetic limbs and surgical tools, and even a drug to treat epilepsy — some of the more than 100 printed medical devices approved in recent years by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

There's more on the horizon, such as printed skin made with living cells to cover wounds and burns.

Research into printing human organs is in the beginning stages.

The 3D printers that layer powder and liquid versions of plastics, ceramics and metals have been around since the 1980s and explored for medical uses since the 1990s. But advances are propelling the field more quickly. A forecast from Allied Market Research projects the health care market for 3D printing to grow to \$2.3 billion by 2020, an increase of 26% from 2015.

But hurdles remain, analysts say including the high cost of equipment and lack of insurance reimbursements, compatibility with human bodies and lack of expertise.

The University of Maryland Medical Center has been adding to its 3D capabilities and partnering with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to perfect uses that largely center on modeling body parts including hearts and blood vessels, and more recently shoulders, to aid in surgical planning, said Dr. Jeffrey Hirsch, the section chief of community radiology for the University of Maryland Medical Center who printed models of Syah's heart.

Doctors knew Syah's heart was compromised while she was in utero, though they didn't know the extent of her condition until she was born.

Images of Syah's heart after birth confirmed she had a coarctation, or kink,

in her aorta, the main blood vessel that delivers oxygen-rich blood from the heart to the body. She also had a large hole connecting the two lower chambers of her heart, which should not be open to each other. She lived in the neonatal intensive care unit for the first month of her life.

"This is my first child and the day I left the hospital and she wasn't home with me it was like a panic attack," Seimah said.

During Syah's first surgery, doctors repaired her aorta and placed a band on the pulmonary artery to prevent too much blood from rushing to her lungs instead of her body. The second surgery to address the hole in her heart was more complicated, and doctors had several options for procedures to pursue.

That's where the models came in.

"It wasn't clear exactly what the relationship was between that hole that di-

vided the two lower chambers of her heart and the two big vessels coming off of the heart," said Dr. Carissa Baker-Smith, Syah's pediatric cardiologist at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

Hirsch's models gave them a better picture. One model, made of gray and black plastic, was enlarged several times and split in two pieces held together by magnets to allow doctors to look inside. The second model was solid and true to size — small enough to cradle in the palm of your hand.

"It was very clear from the 3D printing of the heart that the hole in the wall that separated the two lower chambers of Syah's heart was too far and distant from the big vessels that come off the heart, and that there was no way in which we'd be able to put a patch in that allows one big artery to come from one chamber and one big artery

to come from another," Baker-Smith said. "So ultimately that gave us a game plan and I think resulted in a very good outcome. So less amount of time that she needed to be in the operating room. And she's doing quite well now."

Printing a patient's organ starts with two-dimensional images — CT scans often work best — that are plugged into software to create a printable file. Hirsch printed the plastic model of Syah's heart using one of two tabletop printers in his lab at the downtown hospital at the time, and he sent the other file for the life-size heart to a third-party vendor. The lab has since added a larger, \$80,000 printer, acquired through a donation.

Recently, Hirsch has been working with Dr. Kenneth C. Wang, a fellow radiologist and assistant professor who also serves at the Veterans Affairs hospital in Baltimore. They've worked to create models for shoulder replacement surgeries.

Shoulder replacements have a far higher fail rate over a decade than knees because the bones are thinner and made far more fragile by trauma, arthritis and age, Wang said. Modeling someone's specific shoulder allows a surgeon not only to see the anatomy more clearly but also to map where all the new hardware will go.

Government statistics show that there are about 53,000 shoulder replacement surgeries annually, and Wang said many could be modeled first.

Eventually, the actual joints could be widely printed and implanted. Wang said research is needed to determine such things as what the most durable printed materials are and how to avoid titanium or plastic splinters, for example. And study is needed to see whether patients fare better over time with printed parts.

NEWS BRIEFING

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ACLU: Over 900 kids, families separated despite judge's order

SAN DIEGO — More than 900 children have been separated from their families at the border since a judge ordered the practice be sharply curtailed, the American Civil Liberties Union said Tuesday.

One parent was separated for property damage valued at \$5, the ACLU said. Six parents were separated for convictions of marijuana possession. Eight were split up for fraud and forgery offenses.

About 20% of the 911 children separated from June 28, 2018, to June 29, 2019, were under age 5, including babies, the ACLU said. They include 678 whose parents faced allegations of criminal conduct. Other reasons include alleged gang affiliation, unfitness or child safety concerns, "unverified familial relationship" or parent illness.

The ACLU said findings were based on reports the administration provided.

Pentagon identifies 2 soldiers killed this week in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon has announced the names of two U.S. soldiers who were killed Monday in Afghanistan.

The Defense Department said 20-year-old Pfc. Brandon Jay Kreischer, of Stryker, Ohio, and 24-year-old Spc. Michael Isaiah Nance, of Chicago, died "as a result of wounds sustained in a combat related incident" in Tarin Kowt, in southern Afghanistan.

Pentagon spokesperson Jessica Maxwell said the incident is under investigation.

Both soldiers were assigned to the Army's 82nd Airborne Division, based in Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Monday that an Afghan soldier had shot and killed two American service members.

Seoul says North Korea has fired unidentified projectiles

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea on Wednesday fired several unidentified projectiles off its east coast, South Korea's military said, less than a week after the North launched two short-range ballistic missiles into the sea in a defiance of U.N. resolutions.

Observers say the launches were aimed at ramping up pressure on the United States to make concessions as the two

countries are struggling to resume diplomacy on the North's nuclear weapons program.

It wasn't immediately known exactly how far the projectiles flew.

The latest launches came hours after a senior U.S. official said President Donald Trump has sent photograph mementos from his brief visit with Kim at the Korean DMZ last month to the North Korean leader.



VINCENT YU/AP

Police take a man with a head injury into custody early Wednesday in Hong Kong as protesters clashed with police through much of the night.

Report of riot charges prompts sudden protest in Hong Kong

HONG KONG — Protesters clashed with police again in Hong Kong on Tuesday night after reports that some of their detained colleagues would be charged with the relatively serious charge of rioting.

Several hundred protesters mobilized in the streets outside a police station after dozens of people were arrested on riot charges stemming from a Sunday night demonstration.

Hong Kong police said in a statement Tuesday that the rioters set up roadblocks, broke fences, damaged street signs and at-

tacked police officers with bricks and iron rods.

One of the accused is a 33-year-old man who was also charged with assaulting a police officer, police said.

The accused rioters and a 24-year-old man charged with weapons possession will appear in court Wednesday.

A total of 49 people including 32 men and 17 women between the ages of 16 and 41, had initially been arrested from the scene. Hong Kong police said it "will not rule out the possibility of further arrest" as it investigates the four oth-

ers released temporarily or out on bail.

Live video streamed by Hong Kong media showed protesters chanting slogans and throwing eggs at the Kwai Chung police station. Police used pepper spray to try to disperse them.

The unannounced protest capped another day of unrest. During the morning rush hour, commuters argued with demonstrators who blocked subway train doors in their continuing movement to demand greater accountability from the semi-autonomous Chinese territory's government.

Man says he found baby in freezer; cops probe

ST. LOUIS — A St. Louis man says a box that had been in his mother's freezer for decades contained the mummified remains of a newborn baby, which he discovered while cleaning out her home after she died.

Adam Smith told St. Louis media that he opened

the cardboard box Sunday expecting to find the top of his mother's first wedding cake or perhaps money because she never had a bank account. Instead, he says it was an infant's body and a pink blanket.

St. Louis police confirmed that they are investigating a "suspicious death"

involving an "unknown infant" found inside the home and that autopsy results were pending.

Smith said his mother, who died July 21 at age 68, took the box with her as she moved to four different apartments in St. Louis but that she wouldn't answer questions about it.

Judge rejects Dems' lawsuit against Trump 2016 campaign

NEW YORK — Democrats' claims that President Donald Trump's campaign conspired with Russia were tossed out Tuesday by a judge who noted there were no allegations that anyone from the campaign stole documents from the Democratic National Committee.

The lawsuit brought by the committee alleged that Trump's campaign conspired with Russia, WikiLeaks, Trump's son-in-law and others.

U.S. District Judge John Koeltl said Russia was "undoubtedly" the primary wrongdoer in the alleged criminal enterprise, but the country can't be sued in U.S. courts except in special circumstances, not present in this case.

Meanwhile, he said the actions of the Trump campaign and others were protected by the First Amendment.

In California: Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a law Tuesday requiring presidential candidates to release their tax returns to appear on the state's primary ballot, a move aimed squarely at Republican President Donald Trump.

Most of the major Democratic candidates for president have already publicly disclosed their personal income tax returns as Trump has refused to do so, breaking with decades of tradition by candidates from both parties.

The Trump campaign said the law signed by Newsom is "unconstitutional." But even if the law withstands a likely legal challenge, Trump could avoid the requirement by not competing in California's March 3 primary.

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EDITORIALS

Another college hustle: Parents who farmed out their kids for financial aid

From today's edition of *what-were-they-thinking?*: Some affluent Lake County parents used the court system to transfer guardianship of their teenage children to other people solely to get access to college financial aid intended for the needy.

This was apparently a legal process, though we hope the loophole is closed ASAP. Morally, it represents an unconscionable abuse.

According to reporting by ProPublica and the Wall Street Journal, several dozen parents in well-off Chicago suburbs transferred guardianship of teens who were juniors or seniors in high school to friends or family members. The teens were then able to report only their own small income on financial aid forms, which allowed them to claim and receive money meant for poor

students.

The investigative arm of the U.S. Department of Education has suggested a possible fix, according to the Journal: tightening the language about legal guardianship in the Federal Student Aid handbook. This seems like a good start. University financial aid offices and college counselors also have a role to play in ending this abuse.

And oh, yes: Parents and teens need to honestly report their financial circumstances. The college experience should be an accrual of life lessons. What does it teach teenagers when their parents sign them out of the family and ask them to declare poverty to position themselves for ill-gotten benefits?

Like the "Varsity Blues" college admissions scandal that broke earlier this year, in

which rich families were accused of bribing their kids into elite colleges, this is not a victimless act. Money is diverted from students in real need, as grant money does run out.

This could make the difference between whether a low-income teen can afford to attend college or not. Court resources are wasted on nonsense guardianship requests that flout the intention of financial aid regulations.

The Wall Street Journal found 38 similar incidents in a study of 1,000 probate cases in Lake County. The reporting described a Chicago-area woman with a household income of more than \$250,000 a year who transferred guardianship of her then-17-year-old daughter to her business partner. Claiming only her \$4,200 summer job

earnings, instead of her parents' income, the teen secured \$20,000 in need-based aid, including a federal Pell Grant. Yes, taxpayers foot the bill for some of this.

There is some credit due in this outrageous saga. Not to the "college consulting" company apparently involved, and not to the law firms who shepherded the guardianship requests. Rather, we salute the high school counselor, unnamed in the articles, who raised the issue after she smelled something rotten. And we applaud university officials who aren't varnishing their words.

"It's a scam," Andy Borst, director of undergraduate admissions at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, told ProPublica.

True, that.

Craft a community agreement for the Obama center, but do it the right way

Developers, like politicians, have a habit of promising the moon and then not delivering. One way to get real estate project executives to back up their pledges is through a community benefits agreement. A CBA is a binding pact: It puts commitments in writing and thus creates accountability to local residents.

From the start, South Side neighborhoods that surround the planned Obama Presidential Center in Jackson Park have been calling for the use of a CBA. There's a lot of love on the South Side for the former president, but residents want to make sure any gentrification the project sparks doesn't displace them, or cause their property taxes and rents to shoot sky-high.

Now two aldermen, Jeanette Taylor, 20th, and Leslie Hairston, 5th, have formally proposed an ordinance that would apply a CBA to a 2-mile radius around the proposed Obama center, the Tribune's John Byrne and Lolly Bowean report. The measure would require 30% of any new housing built within that radius to be built as affordable housing.

Among other things, the ordinance calls for job training and the creation of a city fund to provide property tax relief to homeowners within the CBA boundaries. The proposal is chock full of asks.

The aldermen are looking for support from Mayor Lori Lightfoot, who during the campaign said she backed the idea of a CBA for neighborhoods that ring the Obama center site. On Tuesday the mayor, speaking generally, said the city will "strongly weigh in" to ensure that developers address community concerns.

"We can't lose sight of the fact that it is a big honor and opportunity for us to have this presidential center coming to Chicago, particularly for the South Side," Lightfoot said. "I want to use that ... as an opportunity to make catalytic change in the ... quality of life for people in those neighborhoods."

CBA advocates would like the ordinance to set aside money to help homeowners repair their homes, provide rental assistance to struggling tenants and replace libraries at local public schools. Where will the money come from for all that spending?



CAMILLE FINE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Ald. Jeanette Taylor, 20th, from right, and Ald. Leslie Hairston, 5th, propose a CBA housing ordinance near the Obama center on July 22.

The Obama center will not be a profit-making enterprise. There are philanthropists involved, in addition to business owners and investors expected to come calling. But Chicago taxpayers are stretched thin.

The Obama Foundation has projected that in its first 10 years, the center will generate more than \$3 billion in economic development for neighboring South Side communities. A CBA can help ensure that such an economic uplift doesn't set off waves of displacement of South Siders,

many from families rooted in their communities for generations. What wouldn't be useful? An agreement that tries to solve every social ill, and in the process ends up impeding an economic turnaround.

The effort to build the Obama center seems back on track. A federal lawsuit that sought to sidetrack the project was dismissed. The project also was stalled by the slow pace of a required federal review of the center's impact on Jackson Park. Now a report issued by the city has set back in motion that review process. The report

concludes that the center will have "an adverse impact," a finding that at this stage appears to be more of a bureaucratic assessment than a damning declaration.

We're glad the Obama center project appears to have regained momentum. More than just a monument to America's first black leader, the center has the potential to play a role in reversing the tide of disinvestment and neglect that has plagued South Side communities for so long.

A CBA may help make that happen, if it's crafted correctly.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

It's time for President Trump to think out of the box, to be a salesman and a disruptor, to lead a bipartisan effort, to reach out to the center of the electorate — and reform Social Security. Don't laugh, we need the fix and he needs the win. He can make a deal with Democrats, make his party swallow it, and go down in history for actually solving a terrible problem so politically frightening that few ever dare to mention it.

Heard any of those Democrats running for president mention the coming 20%-25% cuts to Social Security once it reaches insolvency in 2035? Nope. How about the Republicans who control the Senate majority, or the Democrats who control the House majority? No way. ...

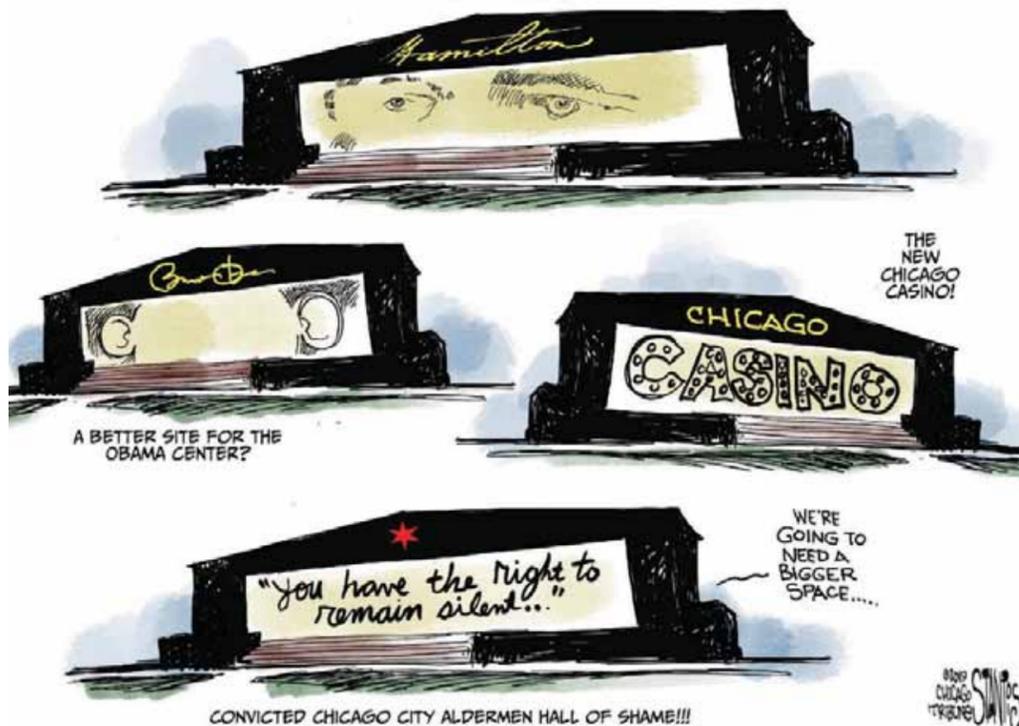
Trump should sound the alarm about the peril so many Americans would face should those cuts kick in in just 16 years, and stress that the longer government waits to address the coming crisis, the deeper the cuts will be. By shoring up the program now he could not only comfort current beneficiaries but appeal to those many millions of Americans having to plan their retirement for the very window of time when the Social Security trust fund runs dry. ...

Why not dare the Democrats to work with him on this? ... If the president reads up on this problem he would know how critical it is to women and minorities who consistently disapprove of him by broad margins. ... Trump should champion this issue and make these voters take another look at him.

A.B. Stoddard, RealClearPolitics

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WITH THE CLOSING OF THE HAMILTON EXHIBIT AT NORTHERLY ISLAND, WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE BUILDING?



Chicago Tribune

PERSPECTIVE



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A mural adorns New Song Community Church in Baltimore, a city that has been under attack in recent days by President Donald Trump.

Will voters fall for Trump's identity politics?



CLARENCE PAGE

I'll say this — and it's not much — about President Donald Trump's incendiary tweet attacks at Rep. Elijah Cummings and the city of Baltimore: At least, for a change, he's laid off my beloved Chicago.

The Republican president has treated Chicago, hometown of his predecessor President Barack Obama, as his favorite symbol of "American carnage," although he displays virtually no real knowledge of the real city.

I therefore braced myself for another Chicago hit after Trump made headlines over the weekend with a tweet that called Cummings' Baltimore district "a disgusting, rat and rodent infested mess." He said that "no human being would want to live there." He later called Cummings, who is black, a "racist."

I braced myself because Trump's tweet was based on a Fox News report on Baltimore's rat problem. The report cited a list put out by the pest control company Orkin on the cities with the highest number of residential and

commercial rodent treatments in 2018.

Baltimore actually ranked ninth on the list. At the top, unfortunately, was my beloved Chicago, although I don't expect Chicagoans to pour into the streets to chant "We're No. 1" about this list.

Nevertheless, Chicago is dealing with this problem just as Los Angeles and New York, respectively second and third on the list, are doing. Bashing Democrat-run cities has become a long-running trope among some Republicans, even though 10 of the nation's 12 poorest states in the union (Alabama, South Carolina, West Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, Idaho, Florida and Mississippi), according to U.S. census data and the National Conference of State Legislatures, have Republican governors and legislatures in which the Grand Old Party has majorities in both houses.

Media that want to offer a little balance have noted that Baltimore's rats sometimes have been encouraged by New Yorkers, such as Jared Kushner, a New York real estate magnate and Trump's son-in-law. A 2017 investigation by ProPublica and The New York Times called "The Beleaguered Tenants of Kushnerville" reports conditions that led to lawsuits and 200 fines in 9,000 apartments owned by Kushner's company.

But, let's face it. Trump's attacks have virtually nothing to do with his concern for living conditions in Baltimore compared with what they have to do with punishing Cummings. As chair of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform, he pressed a tough case against Trump's border policy last week and also is conducting multiple investigations of the president.

And attacking Cummings also provides red meat for Trump's base during his never-ending reelection campaign.

As Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot suggested when asked by reporters whether Trump was racist: Don't overthink it.

"Racism is a part of who he is. It is a part of his strategy," Lightfoot said Monday.

But everyone also should avoid being distracted by the race question from "what people actually care about and what they need," she said. "What they need is leadership."

Indeed, actions speak louder than labels. Office-seekers in our democracy have a choice. They can try to win by dividing people along lines of race and other differences or they can act to bring people together by emphasizing what we share in common.

Trump made his choice quite clear when he first announced his 2016 presidential campaign by attacking Mexican immigrants as "bringing

drugs," "bringing crime," "they're rapists," as well as some who "I assume are good people."

More recently he has made public enemies out of "the squad," a quartet of freshmen House Democrats and women of color whom Trump has told on Twitter to "go back" to where they came from instead of criticizing his administration. All four of the women — Reps. Rashida Tlaib of Michigan; Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts; Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York; and Ilhan Omar of Minnesota — are U.S. citizens, and only Omar was born outside the U.S.

Trump's telling Cummings to go take care of his district and stop investigating his affairs strikes the ear much like the "Send her back," chant that Trump's last rally crowd, in Greenville, N.C., employed. Both are just another version of the old and shameful message that too many members of minority groups still hear, "Go back where you came from."

Can Trump's version of white identity politics win in 2020? That's up to us voters.

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Federal executions are resuming. Will state death penalty bans hold up?

BY SUSANNE DUMBLETON

It would be easy for residents of Illinois to receive the recent announcement that the U.S. will resume executions as peripheral. Having put the death penalty behind us in 2011, we might feel untouched. That would be a mistake. The tone in which the attorney general delivered the decision, the strategy by which he will carry it out and the potential for impact on the Illinois justice system should trouble us.

"The Justice Department upholds the rule of law," William Barr said as he announced the end of the informal moratorium on killings, "and we owe it to the victims and their families to carry forward the sentence imposed by our justice system."

The idea that the decision is rooted in desire to meet the needs of victims' families is an affection, but it is also ill-informed. While a call for vengeance can be an early response to tragedy, it is not universal, nor lasting. To be sure, some families grow confident that execution of a perpetrator will bring "closure" to their grief, especially as time passes.

In doing research on the work

of Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking," I interviewed families who were not looking for what Barr suggests. One, Bud Welch, whose daughter Julie was killed in the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995, said he was initially consumed by fury but that he came to see execution as a ruse. The same was true of the other families, with whom he remained in contact.

"Six months after the bombing a poll taken in Oklahoma City of victims' families and survivors showed that 85 percent wanted the death penalty for Tim McVeigh," Welch wrote for the Forgiveness Project website. "Six years later that figure had dropped to nearly half, and now most of those who supported his execution have come to believe it was a mistake. In other words, they didn't feel any better after Tim McVeigh was taken from his cell and killed."

The same has been true in more recent cases, in the shootings of parishioners in the church in Charleston, S.C., in 2015 and the 2018 synagogue in Pittsburgh, where witnesses and families definitively oppose executing the perpetrators.

Barr's approach to implemen-

tation is also suspect. The list he presented of the five people to be executed seems calculated to sideline abolitionists, who typically call for compassion, question the validity of the verdicts and assert claims of bias. Each of the five people on Barr's list committed a horrific crime — murdering children or elderly victims with cruelty and seeming delight. In no case is there doubt of guilt. Despite the fact that 41% of men on federal death row are people of color, four of the five on the first-to-be-killed list are white (in fact, one is a white supremacist).

There is theater in this, as there will be in the enactment of the executions, enough to suspect it is part of a political campaign on toughness.

From another perspective, this is a small issue. Only about 2.5% prisoners on death row (62 of about 2,500) are under federal jurisdiction, after all.

But it is a highly visible setback to evolving public opinion. Americans increasingly prefer life in prison to execution, even for heinous crimes. Executions have declined steeply, as have death sentences. Twenty-one states, including Illinois, have abolished the practice. Another four have

recently imposed moratoriums, and in others the practice has simply gone to sleep.

But there is reason to care. The attorney general can intrude into the state when a crime is considered an offense against the country — as in the Boston Marathon case — or when the heinous nature of the crime calls for a national response — as in the Charleston and Pittsburgh killings.

Here is the alarm. In such instances, federal procedures trump state practice in ways that can matter. The Boston Marathon bombing case is illustrative. Massachusetts had long before (1984) rejected the death penalty. When the bombing was named an act of terrorism, and thus a federal crime, Massachusetts had to accept the capital punishment option. To allow for that, attorneys were limited in their jury selection to people who favor the death penalty. In Massachusetts, that meant drawing from a minority of citizens. The result was predictable — a death sentence the majority of the citizens of Massachusetts would not have imposed.

The same thing could happen in Illinois. In fact, it almost did.

The federal prosecution of the kidnapping and murder of University of Illinois visiting researcher Yingying Zhang required a jury selected from Illinois residents who do not oppose the death penalty in general. That "pre-qualified" jury, a minority of Illinois citizens, found the accused, Brendt Christensen, guilty in June but spared Illinois the pain of Massachusetts when it recommended life in prison rather than execution. The same may not happen the next time.

Illinoisans can do more than lament the news.

First, because abolition of capital punishment will occur state by state, we can support citizens in states — such as Ohio and Florida — who are fighting to end the practice.

Second, knowing that President Donald Trump has considerably less support for the death penalty, we can calmly and persistently resist any attempt of the Justice Department to intrude on the state justice system.

Susanne Dumbleton is professor emerita at DePaul University. She is studying the work of Sister Helen Prejean for a book on women as leaders for human rights.

PERSPECTIVE

Bipartisan accord ushers in the era of the gender-neutral public toilet



ERIC ZORN

Our state's Democratic and Republican lawmakers don't agree on much, but they were in near total agreement earlier this year that male/female designations on single-user public bathrooms should be banned.

Senate Bill 556, an amendment to the Equitable Restrooms Act, required that the exterior signage on all such facilities in places of public accommodation indicate that they are gender neutral or "all gender." It passed the Senate by a vote of 53-0 on April 11, then passed the House by a vote of 109-5 on May 21.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed the measure Friday, thus signaling an end to the absurd era when people felt bound to stand in line for a single-user bathroom that corresponded most closely to their gender identities while differently labeled bathrooms nearby stood empty.

As of Jan. 1, when the law goes into effect, Illinois will become the fourth state to have such a requirement on the books after California, New Mexico and Vermont. A growing number of cities, including Austin, Texas, Baltimore, Denver, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle and Washington, D.C., have enacted similar requirements.

Have you been there, hopping from foot to foot and wondering if you'd get the stink eye if you ducked into the "wrong" restroom? Yeah, me too.

But this law will be good for more than just impatient men and women. It will provide straightforward restroom access



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for parents and children of different genders, and to caregivers and dependents of different genders. It will also be a boon to those who are gender-nonconforming and are put off by having to make the binary choice demanded by conventional signage.

The only thing odd about this law is that it isn't in effect everywhere and hasn't been in effect for decades. It wasn't until 2006 that Washington, D.C., passed what's often cited as the nation's first gender-neutral requirement for single-stall public bathrooms, even though most of us had been using non-designated toilet facilities for years on airplanes and buses, at one-bathroom small businesses and arrays of portable toilets at outdoor festivals.

Scholars have written a lot more than you might think about this general issue. "Sexism in the bathroom debates: How bathrooms really became separated by sex," published last year in the Yale Law and Policy Review, is a 63-page takedown of certain competing academic theories by George Washington University Law School professor emeritus W. Burlette Carter. Carter concludes that sex separation in "public intimate spaces ... dates back to ancient times (and is) rooted primarily in safety and privacy concerns" for women.

Safety and privacy are enhanced for all by Illinois' new law. And, for the record, that law is distinct from efforts to remove

gender designations from multiuser public bathrooms, an initiative that has taken hold in certain college dormitories but seems unlikely to gain wider acceptance.

New York Times columnist Michelle Goldberg attended the Netroots Nation gathering of progressive political activists in Philadelphia in mid-July and reported on "The Argument" podcast that organizers had labeled nearly all the bathrooms in the Pennsylvania Convention Center as "all-gender."

"But there was one bathroom in another part of the building that hadn't been converted," Goldberg said. "And it had, like, three stalls. And there was this huge line of women waiting to use it."

Not surprising. And Goldberg's experience suggests an argument for the gradual conversion of all public and office restroom facilities to long rows of floor-to-ceiling single-use stalls. Such arrays would also put an end to the hate-tinged debate about where transgender people should be able to relieve themselves as well as the fear that such people often have when in multiuser public restrooms.

State Rep. Tom Morrison of Palatine, one of the five Republicans who voted against Senate Bill 556 in the House agreed in an email to me that it was "common sense" for single-occupancy restrooms to be open to anyone, but he added that he opposed the measure because he views the sign-change requirement as just another one of the "unnecessary, unfunded mandates" Springfield too often imposes.

While I grudgingly admire such consistent adherence to the small-government philosophy, I also note that a pair of such signs — including Braille lettering — costs as little as \$33.24, a small price to pay for the comfort and peace of mind of so many.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Trump's tweets mischaracterized

Much has been said in recent days of President Donald Trump's tweets regarding Rep. Elijah Cummings' Baltimore district. I read them several times over and found them to be factual and not racist at all. In 2017, Baltimore had the highest homicide rate among major American cities (at least 50 per 100,000 residents), according to recent FBI statistics. According to U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders, after a 2015 tour of a section of Baltimore, he had this to say: "You would think you were in a Third World country."

It seems to me that it is only racist when the criticism comes from a Republican. I'm going to go out on a limb here — but I think the good people of Baltimore are more concerned about the "thugs" than the Russians. Rep. Cummings needs to start doing the job that he was elected to do.

— Mike Rice, Chicago

Tweets meant to be a distraction

Once again, President Donald Trump sent racist tweets over the past week-end, this time aimed at Rep. Elijah Cummings of Maryland, who is black. Two weeks ago, his tweets were aimed at four women of color who are all duly elected members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Not coincidentally, Trump sent the tweets just days after Robert Mueller's public testimony about the findings of his investigation into Russian interference in America's 2016 presidential election. The president's tweets are intended to create yet another distraction from the serious implications of Mueller's report, which concluded that Trump and his campaign welcomed Russia's help, did not report this to the FBI, then made several attempts to cover up their actions.

The latest tweets are also meant to discredit Rep. Cummings, who chairs the House Oversight Committee, and as such intends to conduct further investigations into Trump's many misdeeds. These blatantly racist tweets have the added benefit of firing up Trump's base of supporters.

Trump is getting increasingly desperate. He is running for reelection knowing that losing in 2020 means he could face prosecution for any crimes he committed while he was president. Fasten your seat belts, America. It's going to be a very bumpy ride.

— Bob Chimis, Elmwood Park

Trump should try noble deeds

To President Donald Trump: As we teach our babies, toddlers, children, teenagers and adult children: Words hurt. Deeds heal.

Sincerely, a mom making a common-sense way in this world.

— Carol Hausmann, Tinley Park

Child care workers need protections

As reported July 25 in the Tribune ("Lightfoot scores early wins on ethics reform"), the Chicago City Council voted to put significant and long-overdue protections in place for low-wage workers — including advance notice of their work schedules and compensation for last-minute changes to those schedules. Parents with consistent work schedules are less likely to experience hunger, more likely to eat meals with their children, and more likely to have their children in a consistent care setting.

The passage of the Fair Workweek Ordinance is a victory for Chicago's working families that we should all be thrilled about, but it leaves out one of the most important parts of our city's workforce — child care providers. Early childhood professionals are our children's earliest teachers, and they should be afforded the same respect, rights and protections as the rest of the workforce.

Children learn more in their first three years than at any other time in their lives. The adults who care for them need stability and security, too. By exempting child care providers in Chicago — most of whom are women, especially women of color — from the Fair Workweek Ordinance, we are guaranteeing that they will be among the least protected and least paid workforce in our city.

We urge the City Council and Mayor Lori Lightfoot to work on solutions to this issue, which could include: changing child care subsidies based on attendance to enrollment, increasing reimbursement rates and making the child care funding system more equitable. These changes could be made in partnership with Gov. J.B. Pritzker and his administration, who have committed to making Illinois the top state in the country for child care and early education.

— Samir Tanna, director of public policy, Illinois Action for Children



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The Alvin W. Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, a nuclear power plant, in Waynesboro, Georgia, in March.

Is nuclear power too radioactive for Democrats?

BY JONATHAN LESSER

With the second round of the Democratic presidential debates this week, many left-leaning voters are eager to see if climate issues will garner more attention than they did in June, when audiences were left disappointed with the lack of focus on the environment.

But even a whole night focused on climate policy — and CNN plans to host one in September, it announced Thursday — wouldn't change the fact that the renewable energy sources that the left touts (wind, solar and batteries) can take us only so far. Wind and solar are inherently unreliable, and batteries cost too much and store too little energy to make up for it.

If the candidates are unwilling to bring nuclear power into the national conversation, then they're not taking seriously their party's requests for decarbonization. Conversation is the key word here, because the greatest obstacle blocking nuclear power isn't safety issues or technological shortcomings — it's bad PR and political grandstanding.

The conversation won't be easy, but it's worth having. It means looking back at some of the setbacks that have rightfully given nuclear power a bad name: decades of construction cost overruns and plant delays because of poor design, lack of manufacturing expertise, changing regulations, waste disposal and hysteria — there's no better word for it — over past accidents, most recently dramatized by HBO's "Chernobyl."

As I show in a new report, these setbacks have largely been overcome. Today's nuclear plants operate more efficiently and economically than ever before, generating more power at lower costs than in years past. The newest designs are modular, and they minimize radioactive waste production. Moreover, dealing with that waste

isn't a technological issue — it's a political one. Norway is developing a permanent waste repository near a town that actively wanted it located there. France, which generates almost 90% of its electricity from nuclear power, reprocesses its nuclear fuel, creating even more fuel.

Reviving the nuclear industry also means difficult conversations about the economic landscape and government subsidization. Renewable energy subsidies are increasingly distorting energy markets, making it more difficult for unsubsidized generating plants — including nuclear plants — to compete. But nuclear power is the only emissions-free energy source that has a realistic chance of meeting the growing demand for electricity in the near future, especially given Democrats' calls to electrify everything — cars, trucks, factories, farms, you name it.

Ideally, there shouldn't be any subsidies in the energy market. But if we are going to subsidize any energy source, it ought to be nuclear. At the state level, Illinois is already a leader on this: in 2016, Gov. Bruce Rauner signed the Future Energy Jobs Act, which provides subsidy payments to Exelon for its nuclear plants in Clinton and the Quad Cities.

In today's environment, new nuclear plants cannot be developed without government loan guarantees; the financial risks are simply too large. Those guarantees shouldn't be Solyndra-like blank checks. Rather, they should be linked to performance incentives that require investors to bear a portion of the financial risk and tied to market prices of electricity to minimize the market damage that subsidies cause.

Most pressingly, advancing nuclear power means continuing the difficult conversation about spent-fuel disposal. Even though most experts agree that disposal is no longer a technological issue, political opposition to building repositories is the

single largest logjam delaying our ability to move forward with nuclear power.

But there is reason for hope. A recent hearing conducted by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee marked a bipartisan breakthrough in the stalemate over a proposed spent-fuel repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada. With approval to store nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain (and enrich the local community's economy), we could move forward with nuclear power, implementing some of the technological developments, such as modular design and decreased waste byproduct, that have impressed stakeholders on both the right and the left.

The committee's chairwoman, Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, is receiving kudos from nuclear power proponents on both sides of the aisle for her willingness to tackle the issue head-on. Other senators deserve kudos as well, including presidential candidate Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., who introduced the previous Nuclear Energy Leadership Act in March, which aims to advance U.S. leadership in the nuclear energy sector by uniting private and public sector innovators to improve reactor concepts.

Pivoting away from blind faith in wind and solar and being willing to utter the words "nuclear power" before an electorate binge-watching HBO's "Chernobyl" could prove a smart way for someone such as Booker to distinguish himself in a congested and singularly uniform Democratic field.

Will more Democrats embrace nuclear power? Time will tell. But they can't — and won't — meet their green energy goals without it.

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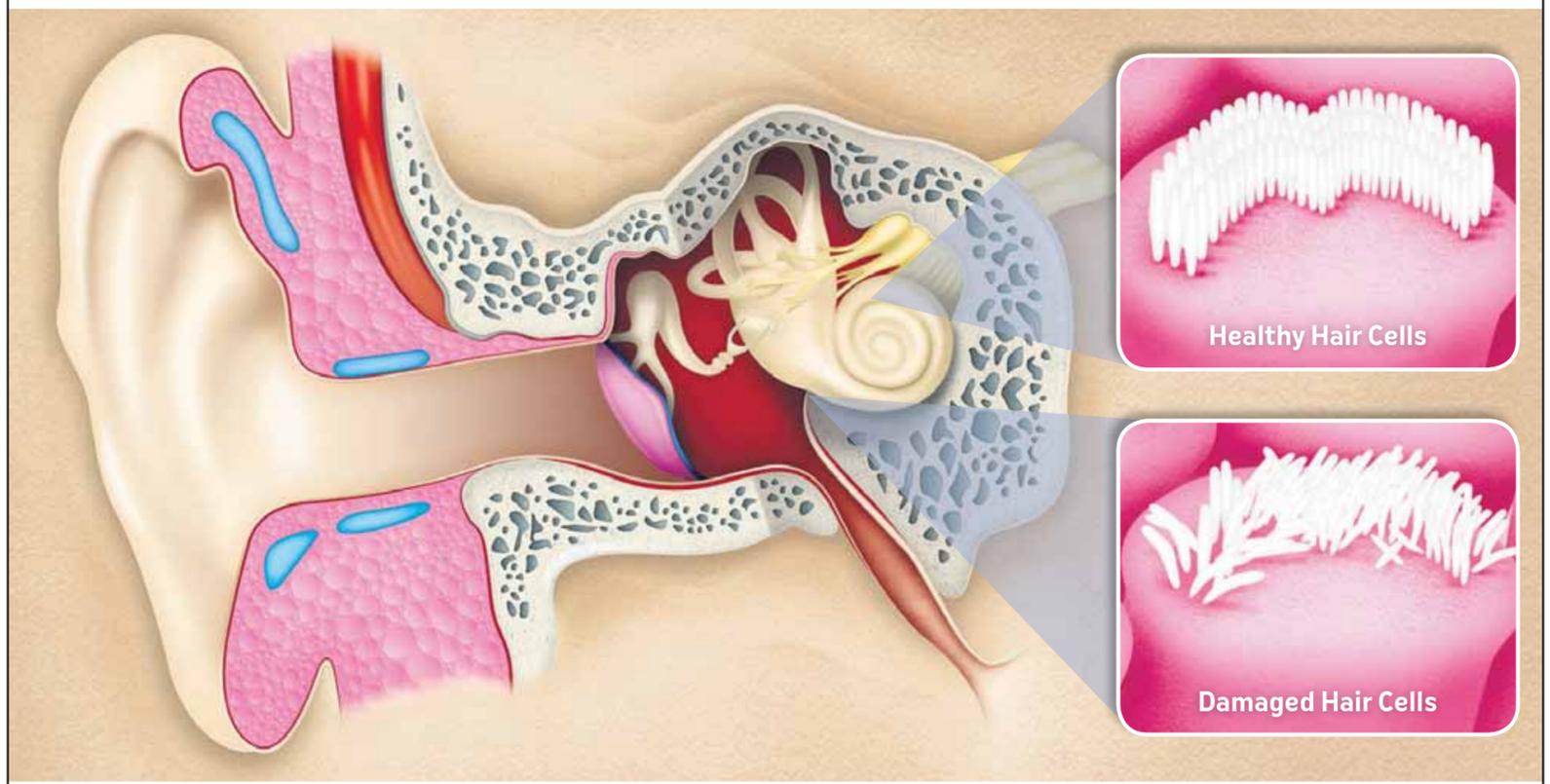
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DHS warns of hacking risk to small planes



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The DHS issued the alert Tuesday. Most airports have security in place to restrict unauthorized access to planes.

Alert says physical access to aircraft raises vulnerability

By TAMI ABDOLLAH
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Department of Homeland Security issued a security alert Tuesday for small planes, warning that modern flight systems are vulnerable to hacking if someone manages to gain physical access to the aircraft.

An alert from the DHS critical infrastructure computer emergency response team recommends that plane owners ensure they restrict unauthorized physical access to their aircraft until the industry develops safeguards to

address the issue, which was discovered by a Boston-based cybersecurity company and reported to the federal government.

Most airports have security in place to restrict unauthorized access and there is no evidence that anyone has exploited the vulnerability. But a DHS official said the agency independently confirmed the security flaw with outside partners and a national research laboratory, and decided it was necessary to issue the warning.

The cybersecurity firm, Rapid7, found that an attacker could potentially disrupt electronic messages transmitted across a small plane's network, for example by attaching a small device to its wiring, that would affect aircraft systems.

Engine readings, compass data,

altitude and other readings "could all be manipulated to provide false measurements to the pilot," according to the DHS alert.

The warning reflects the fact that aircraft systems are increasingly reliant on networked communications systems, much like modern cars. The auto industry has already taken steps to address similar concerns after researchers exposed vulnerabilities.

The Rapid7 report focused only on small aircraft because their systems are easier for researchers to acquire. Large aircraft frequently use more complex systems and must meet additional security requirements. The DHS alert does not apply to older small planes with mechanical control systems.

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Who's in your wallet?

Steps to take following the Capital One data hacking announcement

By ROBERT CHANNICK

When Capital One announced Monday that more than 100 million credit card customers and applicants had their personal data hacked, it raised the question for worried consumers: Who's in your wallet?

The short answer is Paige A. Thompson, 33, a former Seattle tech worker also known by the online handle "erratic," who, according to federal prosecutors, allegedly hacked into Capital One computers, stealing a wealth of customer data including credit scores, balances and payment history, along with 140,000 Social Security numbers and 80,000 linked bank accounts.

The hacked information was primarily accessed from consumer and small business credit card applications between 2005 and 2019, the company said.

What is Capital One doing for consumers?

Capital One is notifying affected credit card customers and applicants and offering free credit monitoring and identity protection services to those consumers.

Capital One said Monday it "immediately fixed the configuration vulnerability" and believes it "unlikely" the information was used for fraud or disseminated. CEO Richard Fairbank apologized for the "understandable worry" the incident caused customers.

What steps should consumers take?

Experts said free credit monitoring may not be enough to protect personal information from falling into the wrong hands. Immediately freezing your credit may be a better option for all consumers.

"Credit monitoring is just going to let you know after the fact that something bad happen," said Ted Rossman, an industry analyst with CreditCards.com. "A credit freeze is much better because it locks down your credit report and it prevents anybody from opening new credit in your name."

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Starbucks has more than 30,000 stores worldwide, and the coffee giant's stock has risen 93% over the last 12 months.

From ice-cold to hot

Starbucks' app, rewards program and its China push fueling a rebound

By JAMES F. PELTZ
Los Angeles Times

A year ago, the outlook for Starbucks Corp. seemed as flat as a day-old latte.

The giant coffee chain's stock essentially had been dead money for three years running, trading around \$52 a share just as it had in mid-2015, as investors saw little to cheer about.

Starbucks' annual same-store sales growth — or sales at stores open at least a year, a key retail metric — had tumbled to 2% from 7% in that span. Same-store sales in China, where Starbucks has been aggressively opening thousands of outlets, fell slightly during last year's spring quarter as competition grew.

And management — led by Chief Executive Kevin Johnson, who took over two years ago from longtime CEO Howard Schultz — had produced quarterly results

that sometimes fell short of Wall Street forecasts.

"There were a number of concerns about Johnson's ability to lead this company," Morningstar analyst R.J. Hottovy recalled.

It all seemed to indicate that the Seattle firm's remarkable expansion of the last two decades, which put a Starbucks on seemingly every other block, had reached a saturation point, ending Starbucks' run as a hot growth company.

Not so. Starbucks' prospects and its stock took off again a year ago and, after the company posted another strong quarter last week, the stock has soared 93% in the last 12 months, making it the biggest gainer in the Standard & Poor's 500 index in that period. With a closing price of \$99.11 a share last Friday, the chain now has a market value of \$121 billion.

Starbucks, which had \$24.7 billion in revenue in fiscal 2018, "is very much a growth company" again, analyst Nicole Miller Regan of Piper Jaffray said in a note to clients last month.

The chain, which has company-

owned and licensed outlets, also continues to expand. Starbucks opened its 30,000th store in March — it had only 165 when the company went public in 1992. Nearly 3,000 of those outlets are in California, which accounts for 20% of its 14,600 U.S. stores.

What turned the tide? Analysts said several upbeat developments coalesced to improve Starbucks' outlook and turn investors bullish again, including an expanded menu — with new drinks such as Nitro Cold Brew and Cloud Macchiato — pushing sales upward.

Starbucks also entered an alliance with Nestle last August under which Nestle distributes Starbucks' packaged ground coffees, coffee beans and other products worldwide. The deal provided Starbucks with an initial payment of \$7.2 billion and now a stream of licensing revenue.

The company's three-year plan to return \$25 billion to shareholders in the form of stock buybacks and dividends has also boosted the share price.

But two items stand out in Starbucks' rebound, analysts said:

The systems with which it cultivates customer loyalty — its smartphone app and rewards program — and its push into China.

Starbucks' app is increasingly popular with its customers as well, enabling them to order and pay before they arrive, customize their orders, collect and redeem rewards points, find nearby stores and even identify the music they hear there.

The company has worked to streamline its app to drive higher visits and sales, juggled employees' tasks to limit bottlenecks caused by in-store pickups of online orders, and tweaked its loyalty program to enable members to earn rewards faster.

"In the last year, we've reduced from seven to three steps to place an order" on the app, Patrick Grismer, Starbucks' chief financial officer, told analysts this year.

Starbucks declined to comment for this story but pointed to public remarks by its executives, including that more than one-third of all transactions at U.S. Starbucks

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Illinois law gives relief to those with debt in collection

Pritzker OKs lowering of maximum interest rate, cutting time companies could pursue repayment

By ABDEL JIMENEZ

Illinois borrowers will get some relief paying back debt to collection agencies under a consumer protection bill signed Monday by Gov. J.B. Pritzker.

The new law lowers the maximum interest rate for paying back outstanding debt and shortens the length of time debt collectors can pursue a borrower to repay the debt.

State Rep. Will Guzzardi, D-Chicago, who sponsored the bill,

said lowering the interest rate for Illinois families with debt in collections could save them thousands of dollars.

The measure passed unanimously in the General Assembly and will take effect Jan. 1. Here's what you need to know:

What does the law do?

When a consumer defaults on a loan or any other form of consumer debt, the lender typically asks a collection agency to collect the unpaid money. This

process is usually triggered by a court judgment, which automatically sets the interest rate at which the borrower has to pay back the funds. In Illinois, the current interest rate is set at 9%, one of the highest in the nation. The new law slashes that rate to 5%, starting Jan. 1.

The law applies to all consumer debt of \$25,000 or less. It also shortens the amount of time in which creditors can pursue borrowers for unpaid debt to 17 years, from 26 years.

Families without savings can get trapped in the never-ending

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Illinois borrowers will get some relief paying back debt to collection agencies under a consumer protection bill signed Monday.

DoorDash feels customers' clout

Backlash over tip use sparks pay change for drivers

By JOHANA BHUIYAN
Los Angeles Times

Since at least February, DoorDash drivers have known the company was at times dipping into their tips to cover their base pay. But it wasn't until last week that the on-demand meal delivery service said it would stop.

More customers finally got wise to how their tips were being used. And they didn't like it.

Announcing plans to rethink the controversial pay structure on Twitter, Chief Executive Tony Xu indicated it was backlash from the people placing all those takeout orders — not the ones delivering them — that forced the concession.

"It's clear from recent feedback that we didn't strike the right balance," Xu tweeted. "We thought we were doing the right thing by making Dashers whole when a customer left no tip. What we missed was that some customers who did tip would feel like their tip did not matter."

The practice first came to light earlier this year when couriers, confused about what and how they were being paid, began piecing together what little information they had as independent contractors and realized customers' tips were sometimes helping DoorDash pay them the guaranteed base pay, not just supplementing their earnings.

But it wasn't until a recent New York Times report renewed attention to the practice and sparked outrage among customers and the public.

"The new model will ensure that Dashers' earnings will increase by the exact amount a customer tips on every order," Xu



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After an outcry, on-demand meal delivery service DoorDash announced a change to its controversial and confusing pay structure for its drivers.

tweeted, saying "customer obsession" was one of the company's "core values." "We'll have specific details in the coming days."

The company's acknowledgment is a stark about-face from when driver and tech worker backlash prompted San Francisco Supervisor Aaron Peskin to ask the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement to investigate DoorDash for a potential labor violation in February. In an interview with Fast Company at the time, DoorDash said "we believe our model best serves both Dashers and customers. Since implementing this pay model in 2017, Dasher retention and overall satisfaction have increased significantly while average delivery times have decreased."

Gig Workers Rising, a San Francisco group that

represents on-demand laborers, tweeted it was "remarkable" Xu attributed the reason for the policy change to customers and not to the drivers who first complained about misuse of their tips.

"It was highly disrespectful of (Xu) to dismiss drivers when he announced this policy change," Shona Clarkson, an organizer with Gig Workers Rising, said in a statement. "He should have proactively said he would repay the wages taken from their workers. Instead, DoorDash will have pocketed millions of dollars taken from customer tips."

DoorDash isn't alone in the practice. As the Los Angeles Times first revealed in February, Amazon was in some cases using customer tips to guarantee Flex drivers' base pay. Amazon did not respond to

questions about whether the company is considering changing its policy. Another company making use of this practice, Instacart, gave in to pressure and quickly changed its policy when it was called out by drivers in February, as BuzzFeed News first reported.

As is often the case, independent contractors who work for gig economy companies are left to do the extra work of cobbling together the meager information these companies give them to understand how they operate. While DoorDash said it indicated in its FAQ that tips were sometimes added to meet pay guarantees, the language is confusing and ambiguous enough that it's not immediately clear how tips are used.

"For each delivery, you will earn at least \$1 plus

customer tip, but DoorDash will ensure that your total earnings (including tips) are never less than the amount you're guaranteed when you're offered a delivery," the FAQ reads.

It later says: "When base pay plus tip is more than the guaranteed minimum, you keep that larger amount."

Workers across the gig economy demanding answers have long had to settle for templated responses from customer support representatives.

Responding to questions about tips from Flex drivers, Amazon, in emails obtained by The Times, repeatedly stated that drivers received 100% of tips but also that they "add any supplemental earnings required to meet our commitment that delivery partners earn \$18-\$25 per hour?"

In lieu of clear and direct

communications from companies, many gig workers turn to online forums and groups, looking for others who might have more information and banding together to trade documents and tips to ensure they are receiving what they have been promised. Some turn to creative sleuthing to get clear answers.

The asymmetry in information, fragmented nature of the workforce and fear of retaliation make it possible for companies like DoorDash and Amazon to implement questionable labor practices like these, often without significant pushback. Every so often, however, the same decentralized network dynamics can put companies in the midst of a bad PR blizzard they can't control — as DoorDash learned last week.



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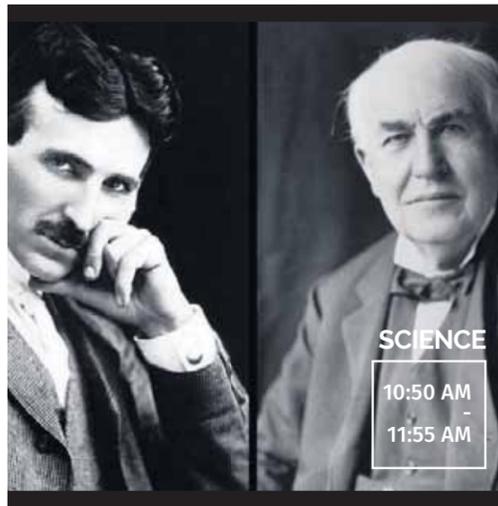


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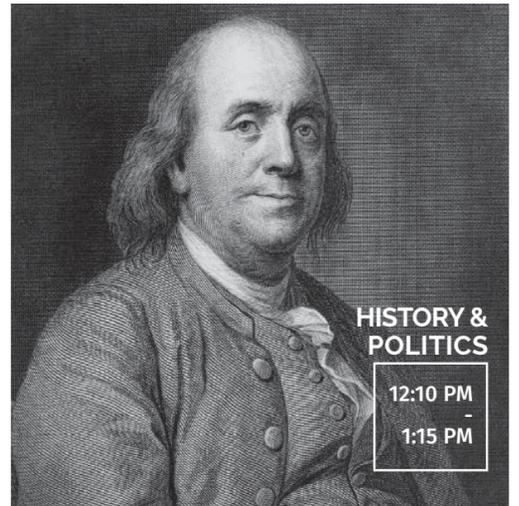


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WGN Radio knocked off air during noontime business broadcast

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

It was anything but business as usual during WGN-AM 720's noon business broadcast Tuesday when the main studio link went down, forcing the station to scramble with archived shows and contingency plans after at least 10 minutes of dead air.

In essence, the so-called "Voice of Chicago" lost its voice.

"We had a studio router crash," said WGN Radio station manager Todd Manley. "The transmitter was never off the air, but there was no audio. It was

painful."

With the main studio on East Wacker Drive in downtown Chicago down, engineers were able to put on archived audio directly from the station's transmitter in Elk Grove Village, some 30 miles away. The "emergency fill" included old Steve Cochran morning shows and Lou Manfredini's home repair shows, Manley said.

By about 12:30 p.m., engineers had rigged a fix, enabling the station to temporarily broadcast on the air what is normally an online streaming-only show by midday hosts Bill Leff and

Wendy Snyder. Steve Bertrand then hustled back into the main studio to finish up the last 15 minutes of the one-hour business lunch broadcast from the station's main studio.

Listeners confused by the dead air, followed by a melange of programs, lit up the station's switchboard and posted some befuddled reactions on social media.

While the Tribune Media-owned station was back on the air and broadcasting from its main studio before 1 p.m., Manley said they were preparing for a longer outage, including packing up afternoon drive host Roe

Conn to do his show from the transmitter building in Elk Grove Village, if necessary.

"We were working on a contingency to get our afternoon show out," Manley said. "There is a studio at the transmitter."

The "digital malfunction" also temporarily killed the station's phone system and shut down internet access from studios, Manley said. The station is still trying to unravel exactly what happened.

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Holiday Inn owner to ditch mini shampoos

BY DANICA KIRKA
Associated Press

LONDON — The fight to save the seas from plastic waste may mean the end for mini bottles of shampoo and other toiletries that hotel guests love to stuff into their luggage.

The owner of Holiday Inn and InterContinental Hotels said Tuesday that its nearly 843,000 guest rooms are switching to bulk-size bathroom amenities as part of an effort to cut waste. The transition is due to be completed in 2021.

"Switching to larger-size amenities across more than 5,600 hotels around the world is a big step in the right direction and will allow us to significantly reduce our waste footprint and environmental impact as we make the change," said InterContinental Hotels Group CEO Keith Barr.

IHG, which uses an average of 200 million bathroom miniatures every year, said customers expect them to act responsibly.

And there is little doubt that public awareness of the problem of plastic waste has been

swelling.

Global plastic production increased to 418 million tons in 2015 from 2.2 million tons in 1950, according to research by Roland Geyer, a professor of industrial ecology at the University of California, Santa Barbara, together with Jenna Jambeck of the University of Georgia and Kara Lavender Law of the Sea Education Association in Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

About 60% of the 9.2 billion tons of plastic produced throughout history has ended up as waste, with more than three-fourths of that going into landfills or the environment, the authors estimated in a 2017 article.

In 2010 alone, from 4.4 million to 13.2 million tons of plastic entered the marine environment.

Shocking images keep hammering the point home. Notable campaigns included one by Britain's Sky News, which showed whales bloated by plastic bags when the creatures were cut open after dying.

And where consumers' attention goes, so does that of companies.

Halal Guys closes two Chicago locations

BY NICK KINDELSPERGER

Halal Guys, the New York-based restaurant chain, has closed its Chicago locations in the Gold Coast (49 W. Division St.) and in the Loop (172 N. Wabash Ave). Earlier this summer, the Wicker Park location shut down. A sign was posted on the front door of the Loop location to alert customers: "The Halal Guys is closed until further notice. Sorry for the inconvenience."

Block Club Chicago first reported the news.

According to a very brief statement from its corporate office, the locations

might reopen. "The Halal Guys has temporarily closed its Chicago area locations on N. Wabash Ave, W. Division St. and N. Milwaukee Ave. We have no further information at this time."

Halal Guys started as a wildly popular street cart in Manhattan serving gyros, chicken and falafel with rice or pita. In the past few years it has expanded rapidly, and now has dozens of locations all over the country.

Currently, the Halal Guys locations in Skokie (3616 W. Touhy Ave.) and Countryside (5621 S. La Grange Road) are still open.

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NICK KINDELSPERGER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The sign was posted on the front door of the Loop location on Tuesday.

Debt

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cycle of debt if the amount they owe only grows, said Jody Chong, financial equity project manager for the Heartland Alliance, an organization advocating for policies to help combat poverty. A lengthy repayment period allows the amount a family owes to keep growing because of the interest that is charged.

What kind of debt does the law help with?

The law covers debt from consumer transactions like auto loans, medical bills and credit card debt. It does not include other forms of debt such as child support or alimony.

What interest rates do other states charge?

Reducing the interest rate to 5%, from 9%, brings Illinois more in line with other states. In Minnesota the rate is 4% and in Pennsylvania the rate is 6%.

What if a consumer has debt with more than one lender?

Consumers who have debt with more than one lender that has risen to the level at which a collection agency becomes involved will go through the court judgment process with each separately. Each case is subject to the maximum interest rate of 5%.

Does the law help those who are already in collection?

Illinois borrowers currently being pursued by a collection agency will not benefit. Guzzardi said consumers should seek legal counsel, regardless of when their debts are turned over to collection agencies.

"The overwhelming majority of creditors have high power attorneys, and debtors often go to court judgments alone," Guzzardi said. "This gives debtors less opportunity to make a beneficial deal because they aren't aware of certain income and asset protections they have under state statutes."

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Hacking

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Consumers can freeze their credit for free by contacting the big three credit bureaus — Equifax, Experian and TransUnion.

In addition, Rossman recommends changing your passwords regularly. He said 8 in 10 Americans reuse their passwords, making them more vulnerable to hackers. Using a password aggregator can help vary individual passwords for each online account, while the consumer only needs to remember one.

Steve Bernas, president and CEO of the Better Business Bureau of Chicago and Northern Illinois, recommended getting a credit report from the credit agencies (you get one free a year from each company) through annualcreditreport.com as well as looking



DREW ANGERER/GETTY

While Capital One is offering free credit monitoring to affected customers, experts say that may not be enough to protect personal information.

through credit card transactions to see if anything is amiss.

He also said anyone whose Social Security was accessed in a data breach should file their taxes early — before a scammer can. Other steps include canceling your credit card and getting a new one, and making sure to update any automatic payments with the new number.

Likewise, Bernas said if hackers have information about your bank account, close it and open up a new one.

How did this happen?

The data breach was discovered July 19, with computer system intrusions dating back to March, according to the company. Thompson was arrested Monday and charged with computer fraud, according to the federal indictment, which al-

leges she gained access to the data through an improperly configured web application firewall.

Reactions to the hack were fast, furious and sometimes funny on Twitter Tuesday, with consumers commiserating around #CapitalOneBreach to vent their frustrations:

When was the last big hack?

Capital One, whose ubiquitous TV commercials feature celebrity spokespeople such as actress Jennifer Garner, is just the latest major financial institution to suffer a data breach. In 2017, credit card reporting company Equifax was hacked, exposing the Social Security numbers and other personal information of roughly half of the U.S. population.

Last week, Equifax agreed to pay at least \$700 million to settle lawsuits over the breach in a settlement with federal authorities and states, including up to \$425 million in monetary relief to consumers.

McLean, Virginia-based Capital One, the nation's seventh-largest commercial bank, said it expects to spend between \$100 million and \$150 million remediating the data breach, largely driven by customer notifications, credit monitoring, technology costs and legal support.

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Coffee

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stores now are done with the mobile app. The company also says its "digitally engaged customers" buy two to three times as many products as those who don't use the app.

"Customers are digitally savvy and expect higher levels of convenience," Johnson told analysts last Thursday, adding that an effective app produces "more frequent occasions, increased spend, improved customer retention and marketing efficiency."

The growth of Starbucks' Rewards loyalty program shows a sharp rise in people formally making the chain a regular part of their lives. There are now 17.2 million people enrolled in the program, up 30% from 13.2 million two years ago, and members accounted for 42% of sales in U.S. stores in the latest quarter, up from 36% two years ago.

Growth in China is also

buoying the company. Starbucks now operates nearly 4,000 stores there with plans to reach 6,000 outlets in 2022, and it's the chain's second most crucial market, behind the United States.

As Starbucks ramped up in China, many investors fretted about competition there from the likes of Luckin Coffee Inc., a fast-growing Chinese rival that went public this year. Their concern grew when Starbucks said a year ago that same-store sales in China had slipped 1% in the latest quarter.

"That left a bad taste in a lot of investors' mouths," Hottovy said.

But same-store sales in China have since rebounded with the help of a sharp rise in Starbucks Rewards members there, who now total 9.1 million, and the expansion of the firm's app usage and deliveries that are made via Starbucks' partnership with China's Alibaba Group.

In addition, Johnson asserted that Starbucks stands apart from Luckin and others because of the quality of

its coffee, "the fact that we handcraft beverages personalized for each customer," and that its stores provide "a warm, welcoming environment" where customers can make personal connections.

"The steps we've taken have further differentiated our position," Johnson said.

Analyst Andy Barish of the investment firm Jefferies said "it doesn't seem like there's a lot of overlap" between Starbucks and Luckin, whose outlets skip the frills while offering cheaper coffee. As Time put it this spring, "90% of Luckin outlets are little more than an austere counter with coffee machines in the corner of an office building lobby."

"I don't think it's a huge competitive threat at this point," Barish said.

Last week brought more good news: Starbucks' results for its fiscal third quarter, which ended June 30, far exceeded analysts' expectations. Global same-store sales growth shot up 6%, which included a 7% surge in the U.S. market and a 6% jump in China.

Warning

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systems.

But Patrick Kiley, Rapid7's lead researcher on the issue, said an attacker could exploit the vulnerability with access to a plane or by bypassing airport security.

"Someone with five minutes and a set of lock picks can gain access (or) there's easily access through the engine compartment," Kiley said.

Jeffrey Troy, president of the Aviation Information Sharing and Analysis Center, an industry organization for cybersecurity information, said there is a need to improve the security in networked operating systems but emphasized that the hack depends on bypassing physical security controls mandated by law.

The Federal Aviation Administration said that a scenario where someone has unrestricted physical access is unlikely, but the report is also "an important reminder to remain vigilant" about physical and cybersecurity aircraft procedures.

Aviation cybersecurity has been an issue of growing concern around the world.

In March, the U.S. De-

partment of Transportation's inspector general found that the FAA had "not completed a comprehensive, strategy policy framework to identify and mitigate cybersecurity risks."

The FAA agreed and said it would look to have a plan in place by the end of September.

The U.N.'s body for aviation proposed its first strategy for securing civil aviation from hackers that's expected to go before the General Assembly in September, said Pete Cooper, an ex-Royal Air Force fast jet pilot and cyber operations officer who advises the aviation industry.

The vulnerability disclosure report is the product of nearly two years of work by Rapid7. After their researchers assessed the flaw, the company alerted DHS. Tuesday's DHS alert recommends manufacturers review how they implement these open electronics systems known as "the CAN bus" to limit a hacker's ability to perform such an attack.

The CAN bus functions like a small plane's central nervous system. Targeting it could allow an attacker to hijack a pilot's instrument readings or even take control of the plane, according to the Rapid7 report.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
Case No 18 B 29503 (N. Dist. Of Ill.)
Reliable Galvanizing Co.,)
LaShonda A. Hunt, Bankruptcy Judge

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

1. Reliable Galvanizing Co., a debtor in a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Proceeding, has filed a Plan of Liquidation with the court and in accord with the Plan, the Debtor has entered into a Real Estate Sales Contract on 6/27/2019 to sell its real estate, free and clear of liens and encumbrances which is located at 819 W. 88th Street, a/k/a 8800 S. Geneva Street, Chicago, IL 60654 including 5 overhead cranes for the sum of \$275,000.00 cash.
2. The Debtor filed a motion with the court seeking to approve the sale to the Purchaser subject to the real estate being offered for higher and better bids to Qualified Bidders through an auction process. The court has approved the same.
3. Anyone interested in submitting a Qualified Bid must do so not later than August 5, 2019 at 12:00PM (CDT) and delivering the same to the attorneys for the Debtor as set forth below. Qualified Bidders will be invited to participate in an auction which will be conducted at the office of the attorneys for Debtor located at 500 N. Dearborn Street, 2nd FL, Chicago, IL 60654 on August 7, 2019 at 11:00AM (CDT).
4. Any parties interested in obtaining copies of documents related to the sale, inspect the property or wishing to inquire as to the submission of a bid may do so by contacting Mr. Vince Pine at Millennium Properties R/E, 312-338-3016 or the attorneys for the Debtor.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 27,224.36 Low: 27,069.86 Previous: 27,221.35



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
-19.72 (-.24%)	-7.79 (-.26%)	+16.57 (+1.06%)
Close: 8,273.61	Close: 3,013.18	Close: 1,585.60
High: 8,295.46	High: 3,017.19	High: 1,586.32
Low: 8,228.02	Low: 3,000.94	Low: 1,557.97
Previous: 8,293.33	Previous: 3,020.97	Previous: 1,569.03

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+0.01 to 2.06%	+9.30 to \$1,429.70	-0.20 to 108.60/\$1	-0.0008 to .8964/\$1	+1.18 to \$58.05

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
-55	+27	+26	+1.54	+2.03	+1.35	+7.01	+7.84	+6.99

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	502.25	503.25	495	497.25	-6.25
		Dec 19	507.50	508.50	501	503	-5.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	417	417	410.25	411.25	-5.75
		Dec 19	426.75	426.75	419.75	421	-6
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Aug 19	884.75	887	871.50	878.75	-7
		Sep 19	890.50	892.75	877	884.25	-7.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Aug 19	28.49	28.57	28.15	28.31	-1.2
		Sep 19	28.64	28.72	28.31	28.44	-1.15
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Aug 19	303.40	304.20	299.80	300.30	-3.90
		Sep 19	305.60	306.30	302.10	302.70	-3.60
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Sep 19	57.07	58.47	56.96	58.05	+1.18
		Oct 19	57.07	58.51	57.05	58.11	+1.15
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Sep 19	2.116	2.142	2.107	2.137	+0.021
		Oct 19	2.135	2.165	2.130	2.160	+0.021
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Aug 19	1.8727	1.9067	1.8649	1.8969	+0.0335
		Sep 19	1.8222	1.8589	1.8176	1.8460	+0.0307

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	88.31	-.24	Equity Commonwith	N	33.66	+0.3	Middleby Corp	O	134.91	...
AbbVie Inc	N	67.18	...	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	123.84	-.38	Mondelez Intl	O	54.81	-.05
Allstate Corp	N	101.83	+0.02	Equity Residential	N	79.54	-.07	Morningstar Inc	O	152.70	-1.84
Aptargroup Inc	N	123.81	-.77	Exelon Corp	N	46.00	...	Motorola Solutions	N	166.00	-2.77
Arch Dan Mid	N	40.95	+0.05	First Indl RT	N	35.00	+0.39	NiSource Inc	N	29.58	-0.03
Baxter Intl	N	86.16	+1.19	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	55.97	+1.12	Nthn Trust Cp	O	99.99	+0.07
Boeing Co	N	347.46	+7.25	Gallagher AJ	N	91.81	-1.19	Old Republic	N	22.91	+0.06
Brunswick Corp	N	48.34	+5.8	Grainger WW	N	296.72	+5.17	Packaging Corp Am	N	103.04	+1.02
CBOE Global Markets	N	110.56	+1.1	GrubHub Inc	N	69.93	-9.80	Paylocity Hldg	O	103.13	-.35
CDK Global Inc	O	52.44	-.65	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	107.85	+8.6	RLI Corp	N	90.29	+1.82
CDW Corp	O	113.58	+6.7	IDEX Corp	N	169.76	+2.32	Stericycle Inc	O	46.66	+9.6
CF Industries	N	49.74	+2.22	ITW	N	155.89	+1.5	TransUnion	N	82.90	-.25
CME Group	O	197.31	-2.33	Ingredion Inc	N	78.81	+2.3	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.49	+1.0
CNA Financial	N	47.92	-.03	John Bean Technol	N	119.54	-1.89	US Foods Holding	N	35.49	-.07
Cabot Microelect	O	124.15	+1.7	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	144.43	+1.63	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	348.63	+2.50
Caterpillar Inc	N	132.95	-1.51	Kemper Corp	N	87.04	+1.3	United Airlines Hldg	O	93.93	+4.9
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	29.10	+0.8	Kraft Heinz Co	O	31.84	+0.8	Ventas Inc	N	67.70	+1.5
Deere Co	N	170.03	-.23	LKQ Corporation	O	26.90	-.45	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	55.40	+2.8
Discover Fin Svcs	N	91.05	-.72	Littelfuse Inc	O	188.84	+2.77	Wintrust Financial	O	71.60	+5.6
Dover Corp	N	97.89	+1.12	McDonalds Corp	N	212.34	-2.64	Zebra Tech	O	218.20	+28.78

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Pfizer Inc	38.79	-2.66
Chesapck Engy	1.80	+1.16
Gen Electric	10.52	+1.18
Nokia Corp	5.47	-1.18
Sthwstn Energy	2.19	+2.28
Bank of America	30.89	+3.7
EnCana Corp	4.39	+2.7
Ford Motor	9.55	-.05
McDermott Intl	6.52	-3.56
AT&T Inc	34.18	-.16
Snap Inc A	16.93	-.57
Transocean Ltd	5.98	+6.1
AK Steel Hold	3.00	+4.6
Ambev S.A.	5.32	-.08
Nabors Inds	2.72	+6.2
Range Resources	5.57	+7.9
Sprint Corp	7.52	-.26
Under Armour Inc	24.08	-3.36
Itau Unibanco Hldg	9.36	-.34
Vale SA	13.16	-.08
Yamana Gold Inc	3.07	+1.3
CNX Resources Corp	7.82	+1.63
Worldpay Inc	135.00	-2.85
Procter & Gamble	120.41	+4.41

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	174.10	-2.92
Alphabet Inc C	1225.14	-14.27
Alphabet Inc A	1228.00	-13.84
Amazon.com Inc	1898.53	-13.92
Apple Inc	208.78	-.90
Bank of America	30.89	+3.7
Berkshire Hath B	207.81	-.80
Disney	144.93	-1.46
Exxon Mobil Corp	75.35	+0.1
Facebook Inc	197.04	+1.10
HSBC Holdings prA	26.32	-.03
JPMorgan Chase	115.59	-.26
Johnson & Johnson	132.08	-.94
MasterCard Inc	278.16	-3.28
Microsoft Corp	140.35	-.68
Procter & Gamble	120.41	+4.41
Royal Dutch Shell B	64.19	+1.0
Visa Inc	181.53	-1.68
WalMart Strs	112.06	-.21

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	32.72	-.06	+5.6
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	27.74	-.05	+5.5
American Funds CptWldGrInCA m	49.22	-.29	+2.1
American Funds CptlncBldrA m	61.29	-.27	+4.2
American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	60.52	-.16	+4.8
American Funds GrfAmrCA m	51.16	-.12	+5.1
American Funds IncAmrCA m	22.73	-.05	+5.4
American Funds InvCAMrCA m	38.87	-.13	+3.8
American Funds NwPrspctVA m	45.36	-.21	+6.1
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	46.75	-.17	+9.0
DFA IntlCorEqInS	12.82	-1.0	-7.1
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.97	...	+7.6
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	40.90	-.46	-6.4
Dodge & Cox Stk	192.65	-.43	+2.7
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.69	+0.1	+6.7
Fidelity 500dxInSPrrm	104.80	-.26	+9.7
Fidelity Contrafund	13.47	-.04	+8.5
Fidelity TlMktIdxInSPrrm	85.53	-.10	+8.7
Fidelity USBldxInSPrrm	11.78	...	+8.1
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.32	...	+4.5
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	10.88	...	+8.3
PIMCO IncI2	12.11	...	+6.5
PIMCO IncInstl	12.11	...	+6.6
PIMCO TlRetInS	10.31	...	+7.3
Schwab SP500Idx	46.56	-.12	+9.7
T. Rowe Price BCGr	119.27	-.57	+11.5
T. Rowe Price GrStk	70.75	-.37	+10.3
Vanguard 500dxAdmrl	278.31	-.69	+9.7
Vanguard DivGrInv	30.28	-.04	+18.6
Vanguard EqInCAAdmrl	76.57	-.23	+7.3
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	87.05	-.27	+12.2
Vanguard HCAAdmrl	83.00	-.16	+2.1
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	14.45	...	+6.9
Vanguard InsdIxInS	273.10	-.68	+9.7
Vanguard InsdIxInSPlus	273.12	-.68	+9.7
Vanguard InStMlInPls	65.06	-.08	+8.8
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	93.46	-.95	-2.2
Vanguard MdlCpldxAdmrl	211.60	+1.4	+8.2
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	141.52	-.27	+4.6
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.70	...	+5.5
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	76.74	+5.4	+3.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020InV	32.11	-.06	+9.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025InV	19.30	-.04	+5.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030InV	35.23	-.08	+5.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035InV	21.66	-.06	+8.1
Vanguard TtBMDxAdmrl	10.92	+0.1	+8.1
Vanguard TtBMDxInS	10.92	+0.1	+8.1
Vanguard TtInBdxAdmrl	23.13	-.01	+9.2
Vanguard TtInBdxInS	34.72	...	+9.3
Vanguard TtInBdxInV	11.57	...	+9.3
Vanguard TtInSdxAdmrl	28.05	-.20	-2.8
Vanguard TtInSdxInS	112.17	-.80	-2.8
Vanguard TtInSdxInSPlus	112.19	-.81	-2.8
Vanguard TtInSdxInV	16.77	-.12	-2.9
Vanguard TtSMdxAdmrl	74.88	-.09	+8.7
Vanguard TtSMdxInS	74.89	-.09	+8.8
Vanguard TtSMdxInV	74.85	-.09	+8.6
Vanguard WlngtnAdmrl	72.62	-.18	+8.9
Vanguard WlslyInAdmrl	64.99	-.08	+9.1
Vanguard WndsrAdmrl	65.04	...	+5.5

d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee.
m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee.
Source: Morningstar.

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OBITUARIES

BETSY EBELING 1947-2019

Human rights advocate known as a friend to many

BY MORGAN GREENE

Betsy Ebeling of Arlington Heights was known for being the best friend you could find.

"My mom didn't have any acquaintances," Ebeling's son Colin said Monday night. "Everyone who knew her was her friend, and they could always count on her to be welcoming, loyal, nurturing and kind. To myself and my sisters, she was the most deeply loving mother on Earth."

Over the years, Ebeling became especially known for her friendship with one girl she met in sixth grade who would go on to run for president.

"Hillary described her as our North Star," said Colin Ebeling. "Which I think is a perfect way to describe her."

Ebeling, who grew up with Hillary Clinton in Park Ridge and stuck by her friend's side, died Sunday at 72 after a yearslong battle with breast cancer.

"From the moment I met Betsy in sixth grade she was my dear friend," Clinton said in a statement. "We went through the ups and downs of life together, and she offered loving support and wise advice every step of the way. She had a real gift for friendship and an unrivaled ability to connect with anyone through her kindness and her sense of humor. I will miss her every day."

Ebeling, whose father was a salesman and a Navy pilot who served as a lieutenant during World War II, and whose mother worked as a customer service representative before joining the human resources department at TDK Corp. of America in Mount Prospect, was born April 30, 1947, in Chicago.

At Eugene Field School in Park Ridge, Ebeling "was the new girl in class and Hillary was the captain of the Patrol Girls," Ebeling wrote in the Tribune in 2008. "And I'll never forget leading her through the halls of our high school because she didn't like her thick glasses — but could barely see without them."

As a student, Ebeling was smart and clever, said her longtime friend Hardye Simons Moel. Ebeling once told the Tribune she developed a passion for mysteries, shared by Clinton, that went back to grade school with the discovery of Daphne du Maurier and "Rebecca."

Ebeling graduated with Clinton from Maine South High School in 1965 and went on to receive her undergraduate degree from Albion College and a master's degree from Northeastern Illinois University. In 1971 she married Tom Ebeling, whom she also met at Maine South.

Early on, Ebeling worked as a Spanish teacher. Later she worked with the Democratic National Convention, the American Bar Association and the state Department of Human Rights.

"Wherever she worked, she was very important and very powerful in getting her ideas across," Moel said. "But she did it sort of quietly, and she never was in your face."

In the early '90s, Ebeling



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Betsy Ebeling waits for a town hall meeting via satellite with Hillary Clinton to start at Maine South High School, in Park Ridge.

joined a fight with other parents against a gun shop that opened close to Hersey High School in Arlington Heights, which Clinton, as first lady, spoke about before the Senate Finance Committee in Washington as she advocated for health care reform.

The Tribune reported that "no one was more surprised by the remarks than Ebeling," who had mailed some newspaper clips to Clinton and learned about the testimony later in the day.

"Obviously, she did read what I had sent her," Ebeling said. "I'm pleased that this issue is being kept in the public eye. As long as it doesn't become yesterday's news, we still have some hope."

A few years later, the Tribune reported that Clinton delivered the commencement address at Hersey for Colin Ebeling's graduation, an idea that surfaced during a visit by the Ebeling family to the White House.

Moel said she was proud when Ebeling, who worked behind the scenes, cast the state's delegate votes in 2016. "She was so powerful and so fiercely excited," Moel said. "And she spoke beautifully."

And Ebeling could be funny, too, said Moel, especially over morning texts that the early risers turned into their ritual. "And I really missed it this morning," she said.

Rocco Claps, who worked with Ebeling on the Democratic National Convention and later when he was director of the Department of Human Rights, said they planned to ease Ebeling into the job when she was hired for the convention. But on her first day, Ebeling cracked a joke in an elevator that made everyone laugh.

"And we knew instantly, this is not the little lady who lunches," Claps said.

Over the years, Ebeling was committed to a number of programs the department was working on, whether it was gay rights legislation or sexual harassment prevention in higher education. If you needed help, or knew somebody who needed help, Ebeling was there, her friends said. Her son described her as selfless, someone who was always thinking about everyone else's comfort. The last time Claps visited, Ebeling apologized to him for the travel time it took

to get to the hospital.

"My family always jokes, she's always offering a blanket to people," Colin Ebeling said. "Even if it's way too hot outside. She's saying, are you warm enough?"

Then there was her gift-giving — apparent in the Amazon packages addressed to her grandchildren and thoughtful surprises that ended up in her friends' hands.

Claps said he was always in awe of Ebeling's ability to head to her favorite gift shop on a lunch hour and return with something you would love that no one else would think to buy.

"People felt they were lucky to have known her, and I was among those people," Claps said. "She made everything engaging and interesting and joyful."

When she wasn't working, and through her final days, Ebeling liked to spend time at a cabin by the lakeshore in Indiana and doting on her family and friends.

Colin Ebeling, who lives in Los Angeles, said his son was born in early July — a few weeks before he was due. "I believe so he could spend an entire week being held by my mother," he said.

"She was not going to let anything get in her way from having a life — and having a life the way she wanted it," said Claps. "To play with her grandkids on the floor, and still garden, and go on campaign trips with Hillary."

Recently, Ebeling had been looking forward to a reunion trip with "the girls," Moel said. "There wasn't anything she would miss. She wanted to do this, and she wanted us all there. So that's the kind of person she was. She never gave up."

On Monday night, Gov. J.B. Pritzker tweeted about Ebeling, who "dedicated her career to advancing human rights here in Illinois and fighting for a better future for people across our nation."

"Like her many friends, I loved Betsy for her kindness, sense of humor and her genuineness. I am heartbroken to lose my friend," he said.

One of the greatest values his mom taught him is that friendship is the most important thing you can develop in life, Colin Ebeling said — "and keep your good friends forever."

Ebeling said his mother, in her final moments, was asked if she wanted to hear from anyone who wasn't in the room with her. She had already heard from Clinton, but she wanted to talk to her friend one last time.

Moel said Ebeling was the herder of the cats, the glue that held the group together.

"Now we're going to have to work very hard to stay in touch and keep it together," she said. "And I think we will, in her honor."

In addition to her husband and son, Ebeling is survived by daughters Haley and Corrine; and six grandchildren.

Details for Ebeling's memorial have not been finalized.

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In 1930, the radio character "The Shadow" made his debut as narrator of the "Detective

Story Hour" on CBS Radio.

In 1964, the U.S. Ranger 7 spacecraft sent to Earth the first close-up pictures of the moon.

In 1971, the Apollo 15 astronauts took a 6½-hour ride on the moon in an electric cart.

In 1979, a federal judge in Florida sentenced former law student Ted Bundy to death for the murders of two college sorority members.

In 1999, Chicago authorities said as many as 46 more residents had died as a result of a relentless heat wave.

In 2001, the U.S. House of Representatives voted 265-162 to ban all cloning of human embryos, casting Congress' first votes on the divisive ethical issue.

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WISCONSIN
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Love always,
John, Linda, Anthony, Gianna and JP

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Callaghan, Louise A.

Louise A. Callaghan, age 92, of LaGrange; loving wife of Francis for over 70 years; sister to the late Hal, John, and Richard Gallimore; great Mom to Mary Lou (Thomas) Hurley, Michael, the late Stephen, the late Mark, Jean (John) McQuillan, Beth (Mike) Puntini, and Matthew (Helen); devoted Grandma of Peter, Paul, Kevin, Patrick, Amy,

the late Daniel, Molly, Johnny, Christopher, Gina, Matthew, Annie, Andrew, Katie, Erin, Mikey, and Bridget; proud great-grandma of Spencer, Kelsey, Mackenzie, Brice, Adelyn, Delaney, and Brayden. Visitation 9 a.m. until time of funeral prayers, 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 1 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Procession to St. Cletus Parish, LaGrange to follow for 11:15 a.m. Mass. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Louise's name to a charity of your choice are appreciated. Funeral info: (708) 352-6500 or hjfnerals.com

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Cascella, Joseph M.

Joseph M. Cascella, of Melrose Park, Beloved husband of the late Yvonne, nee: Benson, Loving father of Joseph M. (Jennifer), Dean, Jeffrey (Roseann) Cascella and Jennifer (Pat) Serpe; Dear grandfather of Jeffrey, Nicholas, Daniel, Joseph, Francesca, Gianna, Daniella & Natalia; Proud great-grandpa of Jace; Fond brother of Michael (late Sandra) and brother-in-law of Gloria Weseman & Lynette Holmes, Uncle of many nieces & nephews, Visitation Thursday, August 1, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service 11 am at **Cuneo-Columbian Funeral Home** 10300 W. Grand Ave. (one block east of Mannheim Rd.) Franklin Park. Interment Mt. Emblem Cemetery, Elmhurst. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Peace Hospice appreciate. Info. 847-455-1200 or cuneocolumbian.net

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DeGroot, Mary A.

Mary A. DeGroot nee O'Malley; beloved wife of the late Clifford G.; loving mother of Joy (Stephen) Shelus, Dottie (Frank Jr.) Cademartori, Joan (Bill) Kelley and the late Clifford J.; cherished grandmother of Stephen (Jill), Frank III (Kershea), Christopher (Lizzy), Elizabeth, Dean, Mary (Kevin), Jason and Sarah (Ashton); dear great grandmother of Aralynn, Donavan, Chrisander, Genevieve, Sarah and Isaiah; fond aunt and friend to many. Visitation Friday 9 AM until time of prayers 10 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home**, 5917 W. Irving Park Rd. (½ Block East of Austin) to St. Eugene Church. Mass 10:30 AM. Interment Ridgewood Cemetery. For info 773-777-3944 or www.gffh.com

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Ebbale-Carpinelli, Linda L.

Linda L. Ebbale, age 56. Beloved wife of Steven Carpinelli; loving mother of James, Veronica, and Ava Carpinelli; beloved daughter of Ronald and Deana Ebbale nee Washburn; dear sister of Rocky (George) Ebbale and Dean (Kim) Ebbale; fond aunt of Tonimarie, Nikko, Danielle, Jayce Ebbale; loving relative and friend to many. Memorial visitation will be held Friday August 2, 2019 at Park Ridge Presbyterian Church at 1300 W. Crescent Ave. Park Ridge, IL 60068 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Memorial Service will be at 12:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, family requests to leave a memory of Linda in online guestbook. For more info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.



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Hou, Susan Hamant

Susan Hamant Hou, 72, passed away surrounded by her family on July 27, 2019. Susan was a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, doctor, friend, colleague, mentor, and humanitarian who embraced life with a passion that continues to inspire us all. Her sense of adventure, witty humor, brilliant mind, compassion for others, and determination have had a rich and diverse impact on the world.

Susan was born on July 29, 1946 in Boston, Massachusetts to Daniels and Muriel Hamant. She attended Harvard University (BA), Stanford University (MA) and University of Massachusetts Medical School (MD). She trained as a nephrologist at Tufts-New England Medical Center and became a world-renowned expert in kidney disease and pregnancy. She and her husband, Mark Molitch, moved to Chicago in 1984 where Susan worked as a nephrologist at Michael Reese Hospital, Rush University Medical Center, and Loyola University Medical Center. She and Mark built a life with their three children in River Forest, IL. Susan was an avid world traveler and spoke English, Chinese, Spanish, Arabic, and Japanese.

In 1986, she and others wrote an article that was seminal in developing the concept of altruistic, unrelated living donor organ transplantation. Susan experienced organ transplantation from all angles, as a transplant nephrologist, donor of her own kidney to one of her patients, and recipient of lung and kidney transplants.

She was a humanitarian and philanthropist, establishing the Daniels Hamant Foundation to help patients who needed unaffordable medications. With Douglas Villarroel and her husband, Mark, she built Centro Medico Humberto Parra in 2001 which has provided thousands of Bolivians with medical care. She was instrumental in the first liver transplant in Bolivia.

Her parents, her sister Anne and her brother Daniels preceded her in death. She is survived by Mark Molitch; her three children and their spouses Tamara and Brian, Ethan and Bati, Michael and Danielle; her seven grandchildren Maya, Evan, Isaac, Olivia, Asha, Niko, and Felix; and her two cats Gandalf and Gabriel. We are honored to have had her in our lives. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, August 17 at 10:30AM, at the Cheney Mansion, located at 220 N. Euclid Ave., Oak Park, IL. In lieu of flowers, please consider contributing to Susan's legacy, the Daniels Hamant Foundation (www.hamantfoundation.org)... and please become an organ donor.

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Huffman, George B.

George B. Huffman, age 75, loving husband of Priscilla, passed away on Friday, July 19th after multiple heart surgeries. He was originally from the Chicago Southside and was a 1961 graduate of Fenger High School. He was retired from a partnership at a furniture store in Joliet. An avid reader, he thoroughly enjoyed all types of books, particularly historical fiction and was a proud supporter of the local library. As a sports enthusiast, he was an ardent fan of the Chicago White Sox, during both the up seasons and the down. He was an active member of the Lions Club for over 20 years and enjoyed providing service to his community. George will be fondly remembered by a broad network of friends, dating back to high school years, for his steady character; his giving nature; and his caring, loyal, fun-loving, and valued friendship. He was preceded in death by his father John B. Huffman, his mother Verna Kelly, and his brother John W. Huffman. He was a loving father of Kimberly (Marc) Moisan, Gary (Jenny) Huffman, Jonathan (Amy) Anthony, Kurt Podbielski, and Richard (Jodi) Podbielski. George was a very proud grandfather of eight grandchildren, four boys and four girls, and a loving brother of Gary Kelly. A memorial service will be held at Peace Lutheran Church, 1900 Lincoln Hwy, New Lenox, IL on August 3rd, visitation from 9-11, with memorial service at 11. In lieu of flowers, suggested charities: Lutheran Disaster Relief, The American Heart Association and Save the Children.

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Jackson, Lee Raleigh

Lee R. Jackson was born on October 11, 1929 and passed away on July 27, 2019 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his parents Albert Rollins and Dollye Elizabeth Davis Jackson, five siblings; Albert B. Jackson, Shamray J. Hawkins, Gwendolyn E. Ezell, Samuel E. Jackson and Marjorie D. Strong. Lee leaves to witness his passing several nieces, nephews, cousins and many dear friends. Interment was held privately at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Kennedy, Robert J.

Devoted husband of Holly, nee Nehf, for 47 years; Loving father of Alexandra (Jack) Molloy; Colin (Hayden) Kennedy, and Meredith Kennedy; Proud "Da" of Caroline, Jackie, Clancy, Cormac, Will, John, the late Colin, and Arthur; Dear brother of Tom (late Mary), Eileen (late John) Caratini, and Denny (Mary Jane); Beloved brother-in-law of the Nehf, Stevens, and King families; Cherished uncle and great-uncle of many nieces and nephews; Proud Leo High School Alumnus and longtime attorney in the Beverly neighborhood for over 40 years; Visitation Thursday 3:00 to 9:00 p.m.; Funeral Friday, 9:00 a.m. from Curley Funeral Home, 6116 W 111th Street, Chicago Ridge to St. Barnabas Church, 101st & Longwood Drive, Chicago; Mass 10:00 a.m.; Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery; In lieu of flowers, donations to Leo High School, www.leohighschool.org would be appreciated; For Funeral info 708-422-2700 or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Knudsen, Roy

He was born July 24, 1933. Died July 29, 2019. He was the husband of Joan (nee Gasper) for 65 years. He was a father of Roy F. and Christie Romano. He was the brother of Chris (Sharon), Fred (Cathy), and the late Sonja (Richard), and many nieces and nephews. Roy was the former owner of Roseland Private Scavenger And Biking Disposal. He loved Chicago, Fenger High School, the Bears, and boating.

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Koehlinger, Diane S.

Diane S. Koehlinger, age 79, of Downers Grove. Beloved wife of the late Jack Koehlinger. Loving mother of Daniel (Kim), David, and Rebecca (David) Volchko. Devoted grandmother of Philip, Amy, Nathan, Jackie, Jack and Nicolas. Great-grandmother of Hunter, Austin, Mallie, Tylan, Giuliana and Giosi. Dear sister of the late Rosemary (late Herbert) Sundquist. Visitation 3-9 p.m. Friday at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 301 75th St., Downers Grove, where funeral service will be held 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Interment Clarendon Hills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Angel's Grace Hospice appreciated. Funeral info 630-964-6500

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Kustom, Robert L.

Robert L. Kustom age 85 of Dixon died Sunday July 28, 2019 at CGH Medical Center in Sterling. He was born July 11, 1934 in Chicago the son of Louis and Mary (Henek) Kuskowski. He had worked at Argonne National Laboratory in Lemont from 1958 until his retirement in 2018.

Robert earned his Bachelor and Master Degrees in Electrical Engineering from IIT in Chicago and his PhD from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. View his additional professional biography with the obituary at www.thejonesfh.com.

He was a member of St Luke Episcopal Church in Dixon. He was a patron of the arts, enjoyed fishing and the outdoors, and woodworking.

Robert married Dolores Smith Payette March 31, 1986 in Chicago. He is preceded in death by his parents, sister Mary Lou Namowicz and step grandson Michael Strutz.

Robert is survived by his wife Dolores, children Brittan (Rebecca) Kustom of Crofton, MD, Todd (Julie) Kustom of Panama City, FL, Jill (Gary) Smith of Stow, MA, grandchildren Madison Kustom, Robert Kustom, Jacqueline Smith, Spencer Smith and Tessa Smith; stepchildren Joseph (Alicia) Payette of Shannon, IL, Mary Conception of Las Vegas, NV, Denise Kilbourne of Converse, TX, Sharon Payette of Tinley Park, IL, Michelle (Anton) Graff of Yorkville, IL, Rebecca (Michael Nilles) Payette of Charlotte, NC, Matthew Payette of Tucson, AZ, Luke (Traci) Payette of Naperville, IL, step grandchildren Daniel Payette, Aaron Payette, Connor Concepcion, Christopher (Kristin) Kilbourne, Mariah Kilbourne, Steven (Yana) Strutz, Jessica Graff, Justin Graff, Laura Graff, Anneke Nilles, Katrina Nilles, Madelin Payette, Luke Payette Jr and four step great grandchildren.

At Roberts request his body has been donated for scientific study through the Anatomical Gift Association of Illinois. Memorial donations in the donors choice can be made to organizations of Robert's interests, in the arts or science. A private family service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon, IL. Condolences can be sent to www.thejonesfh.com.

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Litrenta, Virginia 'Maggie'

Virginia "Maggie" Litrenta, nee Mayer; beloved wife of the late John F., Sr.; loving mother of John F., Jr. (Judy), Mary (George) Wilmoth, Virginia Indovina (Sam Casanova) and Katherine (Alec) Pokras; dearest grandmother of Gina (Chris) Pesko, Cindy (Terry) Britton, John F. III (Christine) Litrenta, Louis (Gina) Indovina; great-grandmother of Sydney and Tyler Pesko, Dominic D'Amico and Lauren Battaglia; cherished sister of Helen Farry, aunt and cousin to many. Visitation, Thursday, 3 to 9 p.m. Funeral Prayers, Friday, 9:15 a.m. at **The Elms Funeral Home** 7600 W. Grand Ave. (North on 76th Ave.) Elmwood Park to St. Celestine Church, Mass 10 a.m. Entombment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Shriners Hospital for Children-Chicago would be appreciated. For information 708-453-1234 or www.elmsfh.com

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Mistretta, Ruth

Ruth Mistretta, 89 years of age, at rest July 28, 2019. Loving wife of the late Honorable Angelo D. Mistretta. Dear mother of Mark (Diane) and Scott Mistretta. Grandmother of Matthew and Jason Mistretta. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Services are Friday, August 2, 2019, 10:00 am at the Christ Church of Oak Brook. Interment at Bronswood Cemetery. Visitation Thursday, August 1st at Adolf Funeral Home, Ltd., 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Info at 630-325-2300 or www.adolfservices.com.

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Moldowan, Elias

Moldowan, Elias, 94, of Lincolnshire, passed away Tuesday. He was predeceased by his wife Dorothy, his son Eric and grandson Christopher Hoheisel. He is survived by his loving children Frieda Hoheisel, Marc (Lauren) Moldowan and Trina (Josh) Coe; his beloved grandchildren David Hoheisel, Brian Hoheisel, Chase Moldowan, Leisel Moldowan and Loretta Coe; his cherished great grandchildren Jacob Hoheisel and Zachary Hoheisel. Visitation 11am to 1pm on Friday, August 2, 2019 at Drake and Son Funeral Home, 5303 N. Western Ave., Chicago, IL. Chapel service to follow. Interment at Eden Memorial Park, Schiller Park, IL. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the American Cancer Society. Info 773-561-6874 or www.drakandsonfuneralhome.com

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O'Connor, Ann Marie

Age 89, of Shorewood, IL and formerly Mt. Greenwood and Country Club Hills, passed away July 24, 2019.

Beloved wife of the late John M. O'Connor; loving mother of Michael (Ann), John (Nancy), and Mary (Brad); devoted grandmother of four; proud great-grandmother of one. She was also a wonderful sister, aunt and cousin.

Visitation Monday, August 5, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. until the time of service at 7:30 p.m., at the Fred C. Dames Funeral Home, 3200 Black at Essington Rds., Joliet. Interment will be private. For more information, please call (815) 741-5500 or to view a complete obituary please visit www.fredcdames.com

Fred C. Dames FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY

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Savikas, Adam D.

Adam David Savikas, age 47, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 29 at his home in the DuPage Care Center in Wheaton. Adam was born in LaGrange to Barbara and Victor Savikas, and raised in Downers Grove along with his older sister and younger brother. Adam was always on the lookout for his next outdoor adventure, whether cycling, sailing, skiing or at his beloved Camp St. Croix. He attended college at Winona State University. Adam survived a near-fatal car accident in 1994, and for the next 25 years, showed us how to face adversity with bravery, courage, humor and grace. Adam was known by those around him as kind, thoughtful, adventurous and playful, and always finding ways to make life better for others. He was proud to be a 4th-degree Knight in the Winfield chapter of the Knights of Columbus. He will be remembered as a wonderful son, stepson, brother, and friend — and to his nieces and nephews he will always be "Uncle Trouble." Services will be held on Thursday August 1 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Winfield, with a visitation at 10:00 AM followed by a mass at 11:30. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to the DPCC Foundation (Memo: 2E) in Wheaton. funeral info www.williams-kampp.com.

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Schultz, Margaret 'Peggy'

Margaret "Peggy" Schultz (nee Hennebry) of LaGrange Park; beloved wife of Jan for 44 years; loving mother of the late Brian, Peter (Lauren), and Claire (Trent) Warren; dear grandmother of Ellie and Joe Warren, and Mary, Bobby, and Margaret Schultz; daughter of Shirley and the late Robert Hennebry; sister of Dan (Pam) and Bridget Hennebry; aunt and friend of many. Visitation 3 to 9pm Friday, August 2 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Family and friends to gather Saturday, August 3 at St. Francis Xavier Church, 124 N. Spring Ave., LaGrange for Mass at 10am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorial donations in Peggy's honor given to Misericordia are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-352-6500 or hjfnerals.com

Hallowell & James Funeral Home

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Scramuzzo, Tony John

Tony John Scramuzzo, age 93, of Franklin Park. Beloved husband of 67 years of the late Jean Scramuzzo nee Ruffini. Father of Cathy Scramuzzo, Mary Lu (Russell) Bulleri and the late John (late Louise) Scramuzzo; grandfather of Dan and Nick (Molly) Bulleri; brother of many; uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday August 2, 2019 from 9 a.m. until the time of prayers at 10:30 a.m. at **Pedersen-Ryberg Funeral Home**, 435 N. York St., Elmhurst proceeding to St. Gertrude Church, 9613 Schiller Blvd., Franklin Park, for mass at 11:30 a.m. Interment at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Hillside. Memorial contributions may be made in Tony's name to a charity of your choice.

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Shultz, Layton

Layton Shultz, age 88, of Chicago passed away July 27 surrounded by family. Beloved husband of Marie, nee Skopec, for 57 wonderful years. Devoted Father of Mary (Bernard) Guerrero, Kristine (Douglas) Plunkett, Sandra (James Pappas) Shultz, and Gerard (Bridget) Shultz. Loving Papa of Megan, Ryan, Joseph, Lucas, Joshua, Matthew, Elizabeth, Anthony, Jamie, and Olivia. Beloved Uncle and friend to many. Layton was on the Chicago Police Department for 41 years, proud Teamster through the Daily Racing Form for 50 years, and proud Korean War Veteran. He was an avid lover of his family, antiques, cars, especially rag tops, the ocean, classic movies and westerns. In lieu of Flowers donations to The Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org in Layton's name would be appreciated. A Visitation will be held Saturday August 3, from 10:00-1:00PM with a prayer service beginning at 1:00PM at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home** 6150 N. Cicero Ave, Chicago IL 60646. Interment Private. For more information please go to www.smithcorcoran.com or call 773-736-3833.

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Smith, Margaret Helen

Margaret died peacefully at her residence at the Deupree House, Cincinnati, Ohio. She was 86. Margaret was born in Evanston, IL and raised in Winnetka, IL. She met her future husband, Roger during the summer of 1955 at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY when she was a counselor and French teacher for girls. They were married in 1957 in Winnetka. Margaret received her bachelor's degree at Wellesley College. She spent a year at the Sorbonne University in Paris while attending Wellesley. She received a master's degree in education at Harvard and her second master's degree at University of Cincinnati in French Education. She was a gifted linguist teaching French at high school and college level. She was on the faculty at Xavier University in the Language Department. Margaret also spoke some Spanish, Italian and some German. She and her husband traveled all over the world. They lived in Germany for 2 years and for a short while in India. Margaret enjoyed playing tennis with friends at Cincinnati Tennis Club and she loved attending the opera, classical music concerts and theater and was a devotee of classical art. She passed her love of the arts to her children. Margaret was a devoted wife to Roger and a wonderful mother to her four sons. She had a quiet strength and was always a supportive parent as her children grew up and started their careers and families. Margaret was passionate about her sons' families and enjoyed visiting with them and her grandchildren. Margaret is survived by her husband Roger, her brother William Smith, her sons Wade, Craig, Douglas, Roger Len and her 11 grandchildren. Visitation will be on Friday, August 2, 2019 from 11am-2pm at the **Geo. H. Rohde & Son Funeral Home**, Cincinnati, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, donations are kindly requested to The St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org. Online condolences at rohdefuneral.com

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Starr, Constance 'Connie'

Constance Starr, nee Fefles, age 94, passed away on Thursday, July 25, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Louis Starr and loving mother of Andrea (Drew) Pedersen and the late Becky (the late Michael) Gianakakis. Devoted daughter of Andrew and Virginia Fefles; dear sister of George (Elaine) Fefles, the late Angie (Jim) Butler and the late Margie (Art) Davilis. Proud grandmother of Christopher and Louis (Elizabeth) Gianakakis, Nick (Talarie) Bilharz and Alex and Deena Pedersen; great-grandmother of Ainsley, Ella, Raelie, Carter, William, Benjamin, Matthew and Katherine and fond aunt of many nieces and nephews and their families. Family and friends will meet Saturday morning, August 3, 2019, at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 2701 N. Sheffield Ave., Chicago, IL 60614 for Visitation at 10:30 a.m. and Funeral Service at 11:30 a.m. Interment Elmwood Cemetery, River Grove, Illinois. Kindly omit flowers; memorial tributes may be made in her name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or online at www.stjude.org/donate. Arrangements made by John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd. For more information please call 847-375-0095.

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Sutenbach, Margaret Mary

Margaret Mary Sutenbach nee Delporte, 80, of Carol Stream. Beloved wife of Donald for 40 years; loving mother of Jodi (Michael) Huntley; cherished nana of Lily Huntley; dear daughter of the late Julien and Catherine Delporte; sister of Richard (Cheryl) Delporte, Catherine (Richard) Benedyk and the late Julian (Joyce) Delporte and Sheila (Tom) Haase; aunt, great aunt and great great aunt of nearly 100 nieces and nephews. Margaret fought with strength and grace against breast cancer for 29 years, having received great care and treatment at Edward Cancer Center, Naperville. Her last request was for everyone to love one another. Visitation at **Williams-Kampp Funeral Home**, 430 E. Roosevelt Rd., Wheaton from 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Friday, August 2, 2019. Prayers 9:30 A.M., Saturday, August 3, 2019 at the funeral home, going to St. Michael Church, 310 S. Wheaton Ave., Wheaton. Funeral Mass at 10:00 A.M. Interment St. Michael Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorials would be appreciated to Edward Cancer Center, 120 Spalding Dr., #111, Naperville, IL 60540. Funeral info: (630) 668-0016 or www.williams-kampp.com

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Szot, Edward J.

Edward J. Szot, age 93 of Oak Park, formerly of North Riverside. U.S. Army WWII Veteran. Beloved husband for 71 years of Stephanie S., nee Szejner, loving father of Eddie (Cynthia), Mary (Robert) Oplawski and Steven (Theresa), cherished grandfather of Sarah (Ryan) Boldt and Jacob Szot, dear brother of many brothers and sisters and fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday, August 2nd, 8:30am until time of prayers, 10:30am at **Kuratko-Nosek Funeral Home**, 2447 S. DesPlaines Avenue, North Riverside to Mater Christi Church. Mass 11:00am. Services will conclude after Mass. Interment private. Please omit flowers. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.kuratkonosek.com. Info: (708) 447-2500.

Kuratko-Nosek Funeral Home

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Victor, B. Melulis

Victor B. Melulis (Mielulius) age 92; beloved husband of Ruth; preceded in death by four brothers in the United States and one brother in Lithuania during his military service; also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Victor filled his life with music. In lieu of flowers; memorials to Zion Lutheran Church appreciated. Funeral Saturday August 3, 2019; Lying in State 9:00 am until time of Funeral Service 11:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church 9000 S. Menard, Oak Lawn Interment Bethania Cemetery Arrangements by **Kosary Funeral Home** (708) 499-3223 or www.kosaryfuneralhome.com

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Wright, Jane Loretta

Jane Loretta Mae Wright nee Lanefeld, 96, of Johnsburg, IL formerly of Chicago, died July 27, 2019. Beloved wife of the late LeRoy "Lee" (2002); Loving mother of Ronald (Lindy Gehl), Doniece (the late Michael 2001) Walton and Debra (Richard) Lebbin; dear grandmother of 9 and great grandmother of 14, and great great grandmother of 1; Dearest sister of the late Marion (late Russell) Atwood and the late William Lanefeld, Jr.; Fond aunt of many nieces & nephews. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Woodstock Hospice CareCenter, 527 W. South Street, Woodstock, IL 60098. Visitation Friday, August 2, 2019 from 3-8 p.m. and Saturday morning 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. at **Muzyka & Son Funeral Home**, 5776 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, IL. Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. Saturday at St. Constance Catholic Church, 5843 W. Strong St., Chicago, IL. Entombment Acacia Park Cemetery, Chicago, IL. For Information: www.MuzykaFuneralHome.com or (773) 545-3800

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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Baby Boy Maik-O'Connor AKA Logan Maik-O'Connor

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Annette Maik-O'Connor (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00603

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers Any, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on June 5, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 08/20/2019, at 10:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, 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 of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS July 31, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Edward Stoner

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Debra Sagen (Mother) AKA Debra Sagan

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00315

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Kevin Stoner (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on April 2, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Shannon O'Malley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 08/20/2019, 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.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS July 31, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Jermiyah Fejering

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Justine Fejering

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00553

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 29, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX 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 08/20/2019, 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.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS July 31, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

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

Senior Architect (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: June 28, 2019 through August 30, 2019. Examination Date: September 13, 2019 at MWRD Main Office Building Annex, 111 E. Erie Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of senior architect practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, performs difficult architectural work in connection with layouts, plans and details. Pay: \$97,995.04 per year

Principal Architect (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: June 28, 2019 through August 30, 2019. Examination Date: September 13, 2019 at MWRD Main Office Building Annex, 111 E. Erie Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of principal architect practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, coordinates the architectural design and planning activities of the Structural and Architectural Design Section. Performs the most difficult architectural work in connection with layouts, plans and details. Pay: \$109,991.70 per year

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Application Filing Period: July 19, 2019 through September 20, 2019. Examination Date: October 4, 2019 at MWRD Main Office Building Annex, 111 E. Erie Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of associate architect practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, performs work on difficult architectural plans and details and checks plans against specifications. Pay: \$79,107.08 per year

Administrative Clerk (Original)

Application Filing Period: August 16, 2019 through August 23, 2019. Examination Date: September 14, 2019 at Northside College Preparatory High School, 5501 North Kedzie Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of administrative clerk practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under supervision, performs routine clerical and administrative work such as typing basic correspondence, organizing and maintaining paper and electronic files, distributing mail and answering phones. Pay: \$41,595.58 per year

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NOTICE OF FINDING OF ADVERSE CONDITIONS ON BUILDING WITH HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE NOTICE OF INTENT TO RELEASE OF FUNDS COMBINED NOTICE

July 31st, 2019 Cook County Department of Planning and Development 69 W. Washington Street, Suite 2900 Chicago, IL 60602 312-603-1000 To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS On or about August 15th, 2019 the Cook County Department of Planning and Development (the "County") will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the utilization of HOME investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds under 24 CFR 983.58 for the following project: Union Avenue Apartments in Orland Park, Illinois (the "Project"). The Project will consist of the development of sixteen (16) units of rental housing for people with disabilities requiring 100% accessibility. The Project will consist of thirteen (13) one bedroom and three (3) two-bedroom units. One new building located at 14205 South Union Ave Orland Park, IL 60462 will be constructed on a site where currently a funeral home and single-family home exist which will be demolished. All newly constructed units will provide permanent supportive housing for people with disabilities. Cook County will provide approximately \$650,000 in HOME federal funds toward this project.

FINDING OF ADVERSE CONDITION The allocation of HOME funds from HUD, makes the Project subject to review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, 54 U.S.C. § 306.008, and 31 implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800 (A.C.H.P.)). The Illinois State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a Division of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (DNR), pursuant to the Act determined that Building is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) under Criteria A and C of local level of significance, and determined that the Undertaking will have an adverse effect on the Building that is eligible for listing on the NRHP.

On May 15, 2019, the County notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) of the adverse effect determination, and the ACHP has chosen not to participate in the consultation pursuant to 36 CFR 800.6(a)(1)(iii). The Owner, County, and SHPO agree and the Authority concurs that the Undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to mitigate the adverse effects of this Undertaking to the NRHP-eligible property as a result of this Undertaking: STIPULATIONS 1. MITIGATION The Owner shall retain a historical contractor(s) of its choice (Contractor) who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Qualifications (36 CFR Section 600.010) to complete the mitigation measures described below. The Contractor must consult with the SHPO prior to the initiation of the work to ensure that expectations are understood. A. Recordation (Is there a "B" - SEE BELOW) Prior to the completion of the construction of the Building, the Owner will ensure that the following Historic American Building Survey (HABS) recordation (See: https://www.nps.gov/hdp/standards/index.htm) of the Building is carried out and completed by the Contractor: 1. Sketch plans, drawn in digital format, of the Building in its current condition printed on vellum with either a large-format inkjet printer using a HABS-designated ink set or with a large-format laser printer (i.e., photocopier) 2. Black-and-white film photography of the Building site, its elevations, distinctive exterior and interior architectural features, and primary interior spaces. Photos must be taken using 4" x 5" negatives, processed according to HABS guidelines, with camera perspective correction (as needed). Prints must be either wet processed on regular (not resin-coated) photo paper or inkjet-printed according to HABS guidelines 3. Written historic narrative of the Building, including its role as a funeral home, Orland Park since 1932, and an architectural description of the Building using HABS-designated outline format printed single sided on regular-weight, archival (non-recycled, with 25% cotton fiber content) bond paper 4. If they exist: Original and/or historic drawings of the Building scanned at a minimum of 400 dpi, dropped full-size onto HABS title blocks, and printed on vellum with either a large-format inkjet printer using a HABS-designated ink set or with a large-format laser printer (i.e., photocopier) 5. Original field notes, if applicable (i.e., field sketches, laser-scan info, photogrammetric data info.) 6. Historic images of the Building printed in accordance with HABS guidelines on archival paper 7. Archival CD/DVD with electronic files of above materials B. The Contractor shall submit draft digital images of the same views that are proposed for HABS photography must be submitted to the SHPO for comment. View selection and quantity of images shall be done in consultation with the SHPO. Upon written concurrence by the SHPO of the selected draft views, the Contractor may proceed with taking the photography as outlined in I.A.2. C. Upon completion of the fieldwork and the taking of the HABS photos 1.A.2., the Contractor shall digitally submit the images and copies of field notes to the SHPO for review and comment. Upon SHPO confirmation in writing that all the data necessary to complete HABS recordation has been collected from the Building, the demotion of the Building may commence. The Contractor shall submit 95% recordation draft in writing to the SHPO for review and comment. When the SHPO accepts in writing the 95% submission, the Owner and the Contractor will complete the final documentation as directed above. Upon completion of the final documentation, the Contractor will submit the following to the SHPO: 1. One (1) HABS recordation package containing 1, 2, 3, 4 (if extant), 5, 6, and 7 of the above list 2. One (1) recordation package containing 1, 3, 4 (if extant), 6, and 7 of the above list and 8" x 10" images of the HABS photographs digitally printed on archival stable photographic paper 3. The SHPO will submit the HABS D. The SHPO will submit the HABS recordation package to the Heritage Documentation Programs in the National Park Service for eventual deposit in the Library of Congress, and the SHPO will deposit the recordation package with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, Illinois

On July 11, 2019, the Owner, the County and DNR entered into a Memorandum of Agreement agreeing and memorializing the responsibilities listed above to be executed on the Project. The County has determined that the Project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional Project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file and available for the public's examination and copying, upon request, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday (except holidays) at 69 W. Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602. Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the County. All comments received by August 15th, 2019 will be considered by the Cook County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION The County is certifying to HUD that Cook County and Kochti Flores, in her capacity as Bureau Chief, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The approval of certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Cook County to use Program funds. OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the County's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the certifying Officer; (b) the applicant has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed fraud, or (d) the project is not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD/State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is not a "major" project under the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at the address: Jackson Blvd.; Room 2401, Chicago, IL 60604. Attn: Shirley Wong, Acting Public Housing Director. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. 6390768 7/31/2019

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE ITASCA COUNTRY CLUB ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.

FOR: Concrete and Asphalt Resurface BID OPENING DATE AND TIME: Thursday August 15, 2019 - 2:00pm. BID OPENING PLACE: TriCore, 2368 Corporate Ln, Ste 116, Naperville, IL 60563. 1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that proposals for concrete and asphalt resurface (includes ground prep and final survey) for the above entity will be publicly opened and read at the date, time, and place indicated above. 2. Bid instructions and specs are available in pdf format from TriCore and can be requested via email at kim.miller@tricoreweb.com. 3. Sealed proposals shall be delivered to TriCore, 2368 Corporate Ln, Ste 116, Naperville, IL 60563 at any time prior to, but no later than 2:00 pm local time, on Thursday, August 15, 2019. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope. All bids must be signed by an authorized rep of the firm submitting the bid. 4. Mandatory pre-bid meeting Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 10:00am on-site. 5. Itasca Country Club and TriCore reserve the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any informalities, irregularities, or defect in a proposal, should it deem to be in the best interest of the Owner to do so. The bid will be awarded if at all, to the lowest responsible bid as determined by TriCore which will take into consideration the qualifications of the bid, including but not limited to the bid amount, conformity with the specifications, any other info which will assist in making a decision.

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FOR: Concrete Resurface BID OPENING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 15, 2019 - 2:00 pm. BID OPENING PLACE: TriCore, 2368 Corporate Ln, Ste 116, Naperville, IL 60563. 1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that proposals for concrete resurface (includes ground prep and final survey) at 316 Higgins, Park Ridge will be publicly opened and read at the date, time, and place indicated above. 2. Bid instructions and specs are available in pdf format from TriCore and can be requested via email at kim.miller@tricoreweb.com. 3. Sealed proposals shall be delivered to TriCore, 2368 Corporate Ln, Ste 116, Naperville, IL 60563 at any time prior to, but no later than 2:00 pm local time, on Thursday, August 15, 2019. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope. All bids must be signed by an authorized rep of the firm submitting the bid. 4. Mandatory pre-bid meeting on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 1:00pm on-site. 5. TriCore reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any informalities, irregularities, or defect in a proposal, should it deem to be in the best interest of the Owner to do so. The bid will be awarded if at all, to the lowest responsible bid as determined by TriCore which will take into consideration the qualifications of the bid, including but not limited to the bid amount, conformity with the specifications, any other info which will assist in making a decision.

FORECLOSURES

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff, v. CAMELIA CHERECHES, FRANCISCO J. RUIZ, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE BANK, FSB, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS; DISCOVER BANK; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; 2640 WEST GRANVILLE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, Defendants. Case No. 2019CH07522 The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Camelia Chereches, Francisco J. Ruiz, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, 2640 West Granville Condominium Association, that the sale set has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows: wit: Unit No. 2E and Parking Space G-1 in the 2640 West Granville Condominium as delineated on a Survey of the following described parcel of real estate: Lots 17 and 18 in Block 2 in T.J. Grady's 4th Green Briar Addition to North Edgewater, being a subdivision of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 1, Township 40 North, Range 13 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, which plat of survey is attached as Exhibit "D" to the Declaration of Condominium recorded November 29, 2007 as Document No. 0733303141, together with its undivided percentage interest in the common elements 2640 West Granville Condominium Apartment #2E, Chicago, IL 60659 13-01-2104-044-1004 NOW, therefore, unless you, Camelia Chereches, Francisco J. Ruiz, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, 2640 West Granville Condominium Association, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before August 23, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp or contact the Clerk of this Court. Shara A. Netterstrom (6294494) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-sanetterstrom@manleydeas.com FILE NUMBER 19-022280 One of Plaintiff's attorneys Pub: 7/24, 21, 8/7/2019 63832286

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Cubs and Cardinals fans stand together during the national anthem before Tuesday night's National League Central rivalry game at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

CARDINALS 2, CUBS 1

Rivalry heats up

Fans playing nice with both teams consistent winners

ST. LOUIS — A beautiful summer night, a packed house, and couple of old rivals who began the night tied for first place.

You can't ask for anything more than this no matter which team you root for, and as Busch Stadium filled up for the start of a three-game series between the Cubs and Cardinals, it seemed like as good a time as any to take the pulse of the 127-year-old rivalry.

It wasn't all that long ago that road-tripping to a Cubs game in St. Louis was an act of faith. Cubs fans didn't expect much, having grown accustomed to the decades of dominance by the Cardinals. So



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On the Cubs

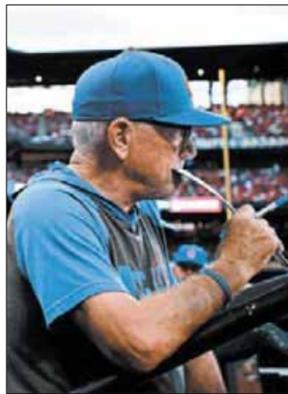
any kind of a win was considered a good one, while a disastrous result had little or no correlation to the overall success of the road trip.

Win or lose, Cubs fans would return next year for more abuse. It was just the way of the world.

But that all changed in 2015, when the Cubs finally flipped the script and beat the Cardinals in the teams' first postseason meeting. The Cubs ended their championship-free diet the following year and have been on top of the Cardinals ever since.

"They've taken over," Cubs fans

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Cubs manager Joe Maddon watches early action from the dugout Tuesday night in St. Louis.

MORE COVERAGE

Pedro Strop looking to improve velocity after stint on injured list. **Page 3**

Cubs acquire reliever Phelps but hope to add more pieces

BY MARK GONZALES

ST. LOUIS — In a perfect setting, the Cubs will have acquired a seasoned hitter and a speedy baserunner by Wednesday's 3 p.m. trade deadline.

But based on the cost of recently acquired relievers David Phelps and Derek Holland, fulfilling those needs might be too expensive, perhaps requiring a top prospect or a chunk of the 25-man roster.

"It takes two to tango," manager Joe Maddon said Tuesday, about four hours after the Cubs acquired Phelps and cash considerations from the Blue Jays for minor-league pitcher Thomas Hatch. "You've got to make sure

both sides are on the same page. I know our (front-office) guys are active."

The Diamondbacks have potential matches in outfielder David Peralta, left-hander Andrew Chafin and speedster Jarrod Dyson, and their top executives, Mike Hazen and Jared Porter, have worked with Cubs President Theo Epstein.

Of those three players, Dyson might be the most affordable.

In the meantime, the Cubs — who opened a three-game series against the Cardinals on Tuesday night at Busch Stadium — will hope for in-house reinforcements from left-hander Cole

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BEARS

Clinton-Dix joins defense: 'Man, I love it'

BY RICH CAMPBELL

BOURBONNAIS — Safety Ha Ha Clinton-Dix was back on the field Tuesday as the Bears held an up-tempo, walk-through-type practice without pads.

Taken off the physically unable to perform list with offensive tackle T.J. Clemmings, Clinton-Dix participated in individual

drills in the shorter, lighter team workout. Afterward the sixth-year veteran expressed relief to be back in action after suffering a knee sprain in the final practice of minicamp last month.

Clinton-Dix said his injury occurred on the final play of that final minicamp practice when someone rolled up on his knee as he was trying to intercept a pass.

"We were still competing and still having fun," Clinton-Dix said. "It was a scary injury. But I was glad it was just something minor."

Clinton-Dix, who signed with the Bears in free agency in March, worked with trainers off to the side during the first four training camp practices. What he saw from the defense made him

eager to join the fun.

"There's so much depth," he said. "I don't think we'll ever fall off with the depth we have on this team. Every guy comes out here each and every day to get better. Man, I love it. The energy that they have on the defensive side of the ball is amazing."

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COMMENTARY

Panthers' Reid will keep kneeling

BY SCOTT FOWLER
Charlotte Observer

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — What Eric Reid will do on the sideline before each Panthers game this season won't change.

What will change, he hopes, is how well he plays when the music stops and the hitting starts.

Reid, 27, is one of the NFL's most polarizing players because he kneels every week during the national anthem to protest racial inequality and social injustice in America. He plans to continue to take a knee this season as he tries his NFL career on parallel tracks — trying to make a difference on and off the field.

"If a day comes that I feel like we've addressed those issues and our people aren't being discriminated against or being killed over traffic violations, then I'll decide it's time to stop protesting," Reid told the Observer. "I haven't seen that happen."

In fact, Reid said, he believes America is getting a little worse for African-Americans.

"It feels like we're going backwards," he said. "You'd like to think we're past certain things, the way we treat people. I thought we were at a time where you love your neighbor as yourself. But as I've studied history — it hasn't repeated itself necessarily, but it's dressed a little different and is acting the same."

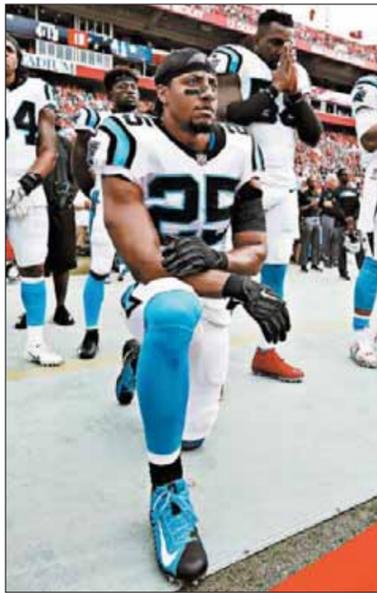
Facing a shortage of safeties, the Panthers signed Reid three games into last season to a one-year deal. He kneeled each week during the anthem without incident — no Panthers players joined his protest, but no one asked him to stop.

And, to quote Panthers owner David Pepper's comments to NFL Films, "the world didn't end" after Reid protested during the anthem for the first time in a Carolina uniform.

Reid caught on to the defensive system quickly enough — and the Panthers were desperate enough — that they started him immediately. "I just had to learn as many plays as I could during the bye week," he said.

It was far from ideal. Reid ended up starting 13 games in a row and posted solid but unspectacular stats for a team that went 5-8 with him on the field. He was sixth on the team in tackles and had one sack and one interception.

"All in all, taking into account I wasn't here for the beginning of the season or training camp, I think I did fairly well," Reid said.



MARK LOMOGGIO/AP

Eric Reid keeps kneeling during the national anthem to protest racial inequality and social injustice in America.

The Panthers thought so too. They struggled on defense during a seven-game losing streak, but they considered Reid much more of an asset than a liability. In February, before he could hit the free-agent market, the Panthers signed him to a new three-year, \$22 million contract.

Reid and Colin Kaepernick, his close friend and former teammate with the 49ers, settled their collusion lawsuit against the NFL a few days later for an undisclosed sum.

So this season in theory should be much quieter for Reid. He's no longer suing the league, he's no longer looking for a job and he's no longer the newest guy on the Panthers' block.

"It's nice to get comfortable with the plays before the season starts," he said.

Of course, Reid isn't the type to get too comfortable. When he sees something that strikes him as wrong, he speaks out. Reid criticized his old college recently when LSU unveiled an opulent new set of player lockers that looked as if they had come straight off a spaceship.

Like many former college athletes, Reid believes college players should be paid.

"The locker room when I was at LSU seven years ago was better than the current one in Carolina," Reid tweeted. "But there's no money to compensate these young men for the revenue they bring to the school."

Replying to another comment generated by that tweet, Reid wrote: "I've given 10% of my earnings since entering the league to various causes. My point is that instead of \$28 million to get a bed in lockers when the prior locker room was just fine, that \$ could have instead been used to: 1) give folks scholarships or 2) put \$ in your pocket."

That's Reid. He thinks about a lot more than his responsibilities in a two-deep zone, and he makes others think too.

When I asked Reid where he had spent most of this summer, his answer surprised me: South Africa.

"My wife is from there," he said, "so we went to visit her family. I've been the past couple of years. To me, it's very powerful. Obviously I descend from Africa. ... (I've done) my ancestry and know which parts of Africa I descend from."

"That's something that we as black people in this country have been robbed of. I compare it to my brother's wife, who is Hispanic. She was born in America but her parents are from Honduras. She speaks Spanish. She knows the culture."

"But most black people, we were robbed of that. We don't know our heritage. We don't know what we descend from. We don't speak a native language. We don't know which part of the country we come from a lot of times. I don't know past my great-grandfather — that's lost. And we'll never get it back. So being in Africa is powerful."

Reid originally planned to move his family — he and his wife have two young daughters — to Charlotte in the offseason. But they opted to keep the family home in New Jersey and for Reid to rent a place alone in Charlotte, allowing the girls more stability. Reid's primary job for the next six months will be to concentrate on football and help the Panthers rebound from a disappointing 2018.

But if you know Reid, you know there will be more to it than just football. As always, he will balance his work with the Panthers with his work toward social justice.

"We've got to keep fighting," he said. "Got to keep agitating. Got to keep making sure that we put pressure on the people who make the laws and the decisions in this country."

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SUN 100, SKY 94

Sky's 2nd-half rally falls short in defeat

UNCASVILLE, Conn. — Jonquel Jones had 27 points and 11 rebounds for her 10th double-double this season, and the Connecticut Sun held off the Sky 100-94 on Tuesday night for their fifth straight win.

The Sun had a 21-point lead in the second half, but the Sky rallied to cut it to 94-90 on Courtney Vandersloot's 3-pointer with 1:18 left. Jones was fouled on the Sun's next possession and hit two free throws. She added two more foul shots as the Sun made six straight in the final minute.

Allie Quigley led the Sky (11-9) with 24 points and four 3-pointers. Vandersloot had 22 points and 11 assists. — AP

Sullivan

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Willis Carter, 53, from East Prairie, Mo., said "I used to be the lone one out here, but there's a lot of 'em here now."

Cubs fans invading Busch Stadium are much different than back in the day; they have a lot more swagger after their one championship.

"It definitely has changed since they won the World Series," Cardinals fan Jim Purcell, 48, of St. Charles, Mo., said. "It's not quite the same rivalry. But both teams have been fairly close the last few years, so in that aspect I think it's even better."

"All the pressure is off Chicago about winning a World Series, so it can be a little more friendly. Sort of like the Blues and the Blackhawks now that the Blues have the Stanley Cup. But I definitely think the Cubs have outmaneuvered the Cardinals the last couple of years. The Cubs did have five years of terrible baseball to get some of those players though."

On the other hand, the self-anointed "best fans in baseball" are pretty much the same. They're mostly optimistic that their three-year postseason drought is a mere blip, and that eventually the world will return to its axis and the Cardinals will once again be able to mock the Cubs for being the Cubs, just as their parents and grandparents did back in the day.

"I never made fun of them," insisted Cardinals fan Ron En-



E. JASON WAMBSGANS/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kaisyn Calame, left, and Karsyn Calame, both 8 of Herrick, Ill., look for balls during batting practice before the Cubs game against the Cardinals on Tuesday night at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

gstrom, of Springfield, Ill., who married a Cubs fan. "Matter of fact, I kind of felt sorry for them for quite a few years. But they put the package together and became very respectable, and I commend them for doing that."

But whether Cardinals fans

were mocking or pitying Cubs fans, the feeling of superiority was widespread. St. Louis may be a smaller town, but smugness has no borders.

"We've been beating up on the Cubs for a long time," said Reginald Moore, 53, a self-described

"Cubs-hater" from St. Louis. "But I've been seeing a lot more Cubs fans coming out and giving their support. It hasn't been that prevalent in years past."

Louder? More obnoxious? "Yeah, I've seen some rude Cubs fans," he said. "I think

they've been a little more boisterous since they've got a nice club. They're still the same to me."

This three-year stretch of Cubs dominance over the Cardinals is rare indeed. From the introduction of the Central Division in 1994 to 2015, the Cardinals finished ahead of the Cubs every year except 1995 and the four postseason Cubs seasons of '98, 2003, '07 and '08.

Until 2016-18, the last time the Cubs finished ahead of the Cardinals three straight seasons was from 1988-90, and in two of those years both teams were well under .500. Even when both teams sucked, the Cubs usually sucked more, and no matter which team sucked the most, the games usually were interesting anyway.

"The rivalry has always been close," Cardinals fan Steve Sendejas, 69, of Belleville, Ill., said. "Cubs-Cardinals is the best rivalry in baseball. Boston and New York is more famous. L.A. and San Francisco is more violent, but everybody gets along here."

"Look, the Cardinals were one game out of the playoff spot, and they're tied for first today. It's not like the Cubs are running away with it, although the Cubs should be running away with it. They've got a much better team. Joe Maddon, I don't think he's done all that much with the team he has."

"But it's a good rivalry. All I ask for is for the games to be exciting for most of the season, and they always are for the Cardinals. They've been in the hunt for the playoffs until the last week for I don't know how long. That's all you can ask for."

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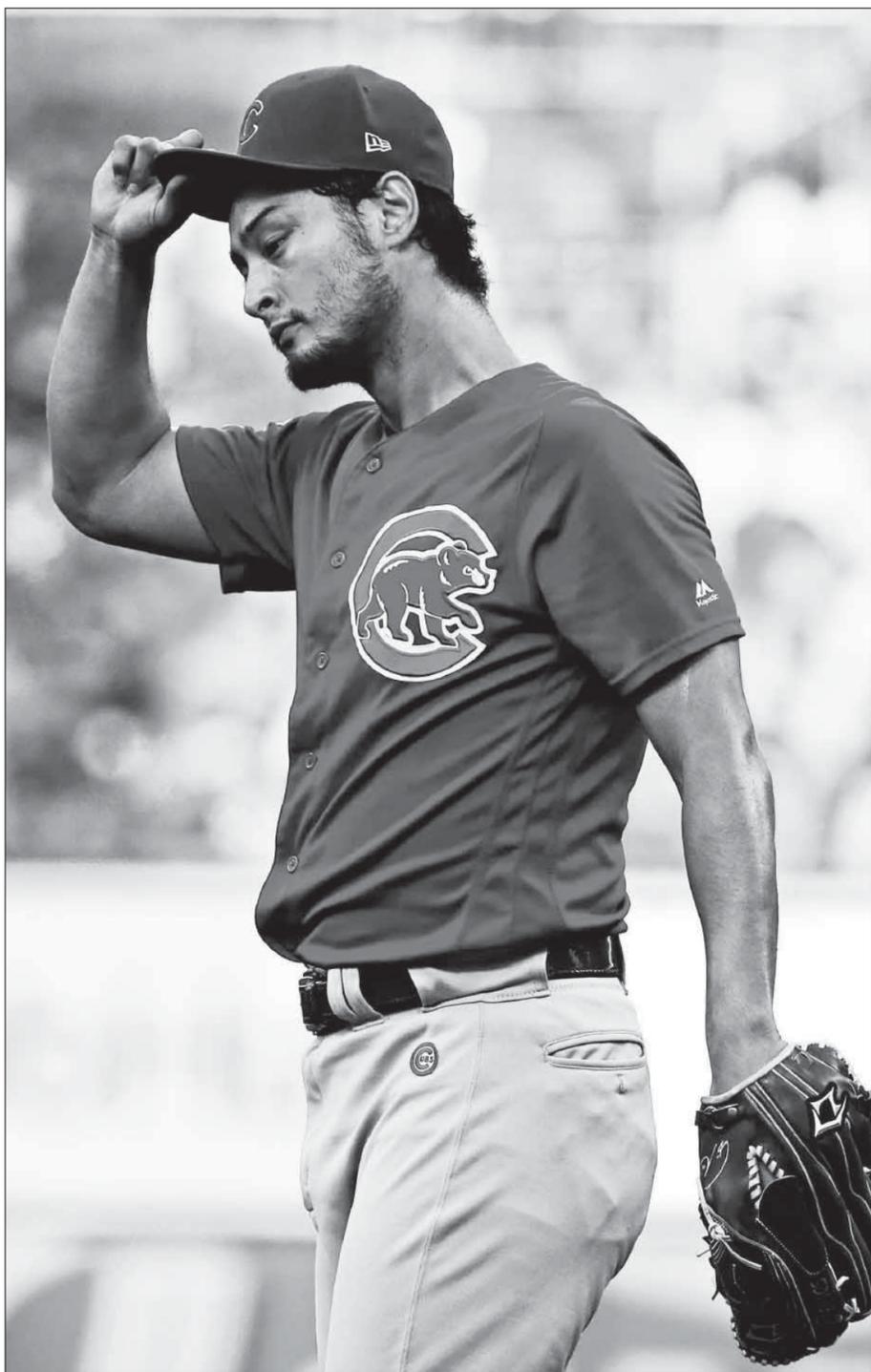
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CUBS RECAP

Plate discipline and clutch hitting eluded the Cubs again in a 2-1 loss Tuesday night at Busch Stadium that dropped them one game behind the Cardinals in the NL Central. Paul Goldschmidt snapped a 1-1 tie with his seventh home run in eight games, a solo shot off Yu Darvish (above) in the sixth. The Cubs were 1-for-6 with runners in scoring position and stranded 10 runners. Jason Heyward, batting second for the first time this season, led off the fourth with a single and scored on Javier Baez's two-out single for a short-lived 1-0 lead. But the Cubs left the bases loaded in the sixth and stranded two in the seventh and eighth. For more, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

Cubs

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Hamels, who could return as soon as Saturday, and versatile switch hitter Ben Zobrist by the end of August.

"I think we're going to be able to do this," said reliever Pedro Strop, who was placed on the 10-day injured list, retroactive to Saturday, because of neck stiffness. "We've got great guys back there (in the bullpen). We've got veteran guys and guys with good stuff, guys who know what they're doing."

"With the starting rotation, we've been throwing well. Hamels is coming back soon. Pitching-wise, we're going to be all right."

"So hopefully everything gets back on track the way we always do. Play better on the road; we haven't done that this year. (But) it's not how you start, it's how you finish."

The addition of Phelps, 32, gives the Cubs a fresh bullpen arm with an asterisk. Phelps pitched in only 17 games with the Blue Jays after missing nearly two full seasons because of two

surgeries, including Tommy John elbow surgery.

"He's a guy that we've looked at in the past, somebody we've discussed in previous seasons about guys we could acquire in the offseason," pitching coach Tommy Hottovy said. "He's got a good pitch mix, a guy who has pitched in some big spots for playoff teams and teams pushing down the stretch."

"I like his ability to move the fastball and cutter around, how he can pitch to both sides of the plate. I think he'll fit in well with the group we have and how we game plan."

Phelps, who pitched at Notre Dame, has limited left-handed batters to a .217 average and right-handed hitters to a .225 mark while posting a 3.63 ERA.

He didn't make his 2019 debut until June 17, and he had a 2.16 ERA and .190 opponents batting average before allowing three runs in two-thirds of an inning Sunday against the Rays.

"I was a big fan," Maddon said of Phelps' work for the Yankees against Maddon's Rays teams.

Pitching primarily in relief beginning in 2016 with the Marlins, Phelps has a 2.82 ERA in 135 games in that span.

While his addition should buttress a fatigued bullpen, Maddon didn't anoint the Cubs as the favorite to win a tight National League Central race. The Brewers added starting pitcher Jordan Lyles in a trade with the Pirates on Monday, while the Cardinals also are searching for a starting pitcher.

"I think it's going to stay tight for a while," Maddon said before Tuesday's series opener against the co-leading Cardinals. "I don't see either team separating ourselves. If you look at both rosters and see how we've been playing, it's hard to imagine one team would be the breakaway team right now."

"In order for us to become that, we have to be more consistent on the offensive side. I've been talking about that for two months. It's nothing new. I like our pitching a lot. Our defense has tightened up. We just have to organize the strike zone, moving the ball when necessary, not relying on home runs."

"That's the part of the game that's becoming so predominant. I want us to be an outlier at some point. I want us to do both — hit home runs and singles when it's necessary."

Strop hopes to find velocity

Reliever lands on injured list after recent struggles with fastball

BY MARK GONZALES

ST. LOUIS — Pedro Strop wasn't sure if a hotel pillow or his attempt to create more velocity caused stiffness on the left side of his neck to arise Sunday while playing catch.

But the discomfort was sharp enough by Tuesday morning for the Cubs to place the reliever on the 10-day injured list, retroactive to Saturday.

It's the latest setback for Strop, who started the season as the closer but was placed on the IL on May 8 and missed a month because of a left hamstring strain. He has been scored on in three of his last eight outings, allowing seven earned runs in seven in-

nings. Strop hopes he can use the time to regain his 95 mph fastball, which has dipped in recent weeks.

"Yeah, that's something that came to my mind," he said. "Maybe I've got a little time to work on something else. Sometimes when you know you're available for that game that night, there's not a lot you can do throwing-wise before the game. You want to save your energy (throws). Now (that) I might be sidelined, I've got a little breather."

"My arm feels good. When we work the neck out, I'll see if I can get movement on my sinker. That's more important than my velo. I'm going to take advantage of it."

Manager Joe Maddon insisted Strop remains a prominent member of the bullpen.

"We want to take this time to get the neck right and everything straightened out," Maddon said. "I think it will bode him and us very well."

The Cubs recalled Duane Underwood Jr., 25, from Triple-A Iowa to take Strop's roster spot. Underwood has responded well transitioning from a starting to relief role for Iowa. He had a 2.53 ERA in his last seven outings and had struck out 21 in his last 14 1/3 innings. He was expected to provide long relief if needed Tuesday night.

Starting pitcher Cole Hamels will throw a bullpen session before Wednesday's game in what could be his final tune-up before he rejoins the rotation as soon as Saturday against the Brewers. Hamels, 35, suffered a left oblique strain June 30 and has made two rehab starts with Iowa.

WHITE SOX

METS AT WHITE SOX

'Energy' returns with Anderson

Shortstop back in lineup, but Moncada leaves with tight hamstring

BY LAMOND POPE

Tim Anderson was itching to return to the White Sox.

"I was texting a few guys while I was in Charlotte (for a rehab assignment) saying I was ready to come back, and they made it happen," Anderson said before Tuesday's game against the Mets at Guaranteed Rate Field. "So I'm just happy to be back and I'm ready."

Anderson appeared in his first game with the Sox in more than a month. The shortstop had been out since suffering a sprained right ankle June 25 at Fenway Park.

His return gives the Sox another boost, coming one game after Eloy Jimenez's return Sunday from a bruised ulnar nerve.

But the Sox spent almost all of Tuesday's game without Yoan Moncada. The third baseman left in the bottom of the first with right hamstring tightness. The Sox said he's day to day.

Moncada fielded a grounder by Wilson Ramos and threw to first for the final out. Ryan Goins replaced him in the bottom of the inning.

Moncada's exit put a bit of a damper on Anderson's return.

Anderson entered Tuesday with a .317/.342/.491 slash line, 11 home runs, 37 RBIs and 15 stolen bases in 70 games. He was the American League Player of the Month for March/April.

"You're looking at a guy who has put himself on the map with everyone," manager Rick Renteria said. "He's an elite shortstop and his defense speaks for itself in terms of how he's grown out there, and offensively he's grown so much."

"Having those guys in the lineup picks us up. Everyone else has done an admirable job trying to keep us moving along, but when

you miss two key pieces like that, it helps to get them back."

Renteria said Anderson's impact goes beyond the statistics.

"All these guys trust each other so much and have been playing alongside each other for a few years now, getting comfortable with each other," Renteria said. "Everybody else sees what he brings to the table. You feel a little more comfortable."

Anderson hit .348 (8-for-23) with one home run and four RBIs in five rehab games last week with Triple-A Charlotte. He said the biggest test was ranging to his left.

"I didn't feel comfortable right off the bat, but we had a couple double plays down there that felt good," Anderson said. "I had reps in the field. I played two or three games, played nine innings. I felt good moving around on it."

Anderson hoped to provide a spark for a Sox team that had lost 13 of its first 17 games since the All-Star break.

"(It's) just being able to bring that energy to the ballclub," Anderson said. "Hearing from some of the guys that they missed me. I'm excited to be back and ready to get back with the guys and keep competing at a high level."

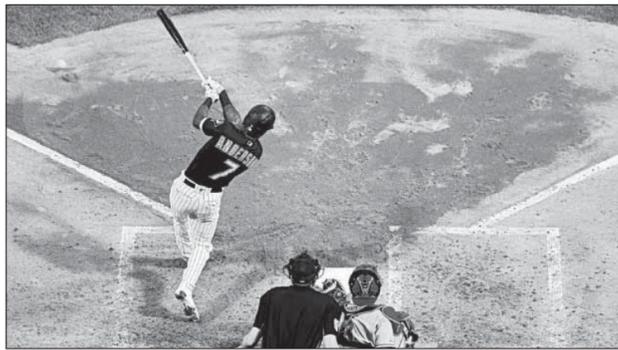
Anderson's activation was one of three roster moves the Sox announced Tuesday. They recalled pitcher Carson Fulmer from Charlotte and sent outfielder Ryan Cordell to the Knights.

Fulmer takes Dylan Covey's roster spot. The Sox optioned Covey to Charlotte after Sunday's game against the Twins.

Cordell was hitting .234 with five home runs and 18 RBIs in 69 games with the Sox.

Fulmer is 1-1 with a 6.32 ERA and 18 strikeouts in 13 appearances (one start) during four stints this season with the Sox. Renteria said the plan for now is to use Fulmer out of the bullpen. No decision has been reached about Covey's spot in the rotation.

The Sox also announced the Orioles claimed infielder Jose Rondon off waivers.



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Tim Anderson grounds out in the third inning Tuesday against the New York Mets at Guaranteed Rate Field.

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Potential trade target Colome ignores talk

Closer enjoys his role with Sox: 'I just control what I can control'

BY LAMOND POPE

All Alex Colome can do is wait.

The trade deadline is Wednesday, and the White Sox closer has appeared in several rumored deals.

"I don't pay attention to that," Colome said through an interpreter before Tuesday's game against the Mets. "That's the front office's job and I just control what I can control."

Contending teams always are looking for bullpen help, and Colome has been reliable with 21 saves in 22 chances. He's under club control for next season, one factor the Sox are considering.

Colome said it's flattering that teams are interested.

"It feels good because that makes you know you are doing your job," he said. "That you are doing what you are supposed to do and there's a lot of people that appreciate that. That's something that gives you more confidence or motivation to keep doing your job."

Colome is well aware of the challenges that come with a trade. The Rays traded him to the Mariners on May 25, 2018, and the Mariners traded him to the Sox on Nov. 30.

"Once you are used to a place, to a team and teammates, it's difficult when you are traded," he said, "because then you need to restart the process again and get used to a new city, new teammates and a new team."

Sox manager Rick Renteria said the players have done a nice job of not losing focus.

"I'm sure the guys that have been around the block a little bit know the things that are going on, and many of them know their names are mentioned across the board," Renteria said. "Is it nerve-racking for them? I'm sure there is something there, but once they get back into the game, they have to remove themselves from all that and I'm sure they do."

"You don't think about it. You go out there and try to do what you're supposed to do. Ultimately, most of them, I think they're happy when that ultimate day comes and is gone."

Colome said he's enjoying his role with the Sox.

"I like the talent that we have right now," he said. "We have good righties and lefties. I think we can do a very, very good job next year with more experience."

Whether Colome is part of that mix remains to be seen.

"I just focus on my job," he said. "My mind is always focused on positive things. I don't pay attention to what's going on outside the lines."

BASEBALL

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	67	39	.632	—	—	4-6	L-1	38-18	29-21
Tampa Bay	61	49	.560	7½	—	5-5	W-2	28-26	33-22
Boston	59	48	.546	9	2	6-4	L-2	27-27	32-22
Toronto	42	67	.385	26½	19½	5-5	W-2	20-34	22-33
Baltimore	36	71	.336	31½	24½	6-4	W-1	15-36	21-35
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	65	41	.613	—	—	6-4	W-2	31-21	34-20
Cleveland	62	44	.585	3	—	6-4	L-2	32-22	30-22
Chicago	46	58	.442	18	13	3-7	L-2	27-26	19-32
Kansas City	40	69	.367	26½	21½	4-6	L-2	23-34	17-35
Detroit	31	72	.301	32½	27½	2-8	L-1	13-36	18-36
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	69	39	.639	—	—	8-2	W-3	38-15	31-24
Oakland	61	47	.565	8	—	5-5	W-3	34-22	27-25
Los Angeles	56	53	.514	13½	5½	6-4	W-1	29-27	27-26
Texas	53	54	.495	15½	7½	3-7	L-3	31-22	22-32
Seattle	47	63	.427	23	15	7-3	W-6	26-32	21-31

Late games noted below

WEDNESDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

AMERICAN LEAGUE		2019		2019 VS. OPP.		LAST 3 STARTS			
TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	IP	ERA	
Tor	Waguespack (R)	1-1	5.63	1-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0 15.0 6.00	
KC	Junis (R)	12:15p	6-9	5.03	9-13	0-0	0.0	0.00	
DET	Norris (L)	2-8	4.89	4-14	0-1	5.0	4.00	0-0 16.0 4.50	
LAA	Suarez (L)	3:07p	2-1	5.35	4-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	
TB	TBD	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Bos	Porcello (R)	6:10p	9-7	5.55	13-8	0-1	11.2	4.63	
Hou	Urquidy (R)	1-0	4.26	3-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0 15.1 4.11	
Cle	Plesac (R)	6:10p	5-3	3.25	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Sea	TBD	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Tex	Minor (L)	7:05p	8-6	3.00	10-11	2-1	19.0	3.32	
NATIONAL LEAGUE	TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	IP	ERA
Atl	Soroka (R)	10-2	2.44	14-4	0-1	8.0	4.50	1-1 17.2 2.55	
Was	Sanchez (R)	11:05a	6-6	3.63	10-9	2-0	17.0	3.71	
Pit	Agrazal (R)	2-1	3.24	3-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1 17.1 3.63	
Cin	Castillo (R)	11:35a	9-4	2.78	11-10	0-0	11.0	2.45	
LAD	Ryu (L)	11-2	1.74	15-5	0-1	10.0	7.20	1-0 20.2 1.74	
Col	Marquez (R)	2:10p	10-5	4.88	15-8	0-0	8.0	1.13	
SF	Samardzija (R)	7-8	3.95	11-10	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1 17.2 3.57	
Phi	Velasquez (R)	6:05p	3-5	4.45	6-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	
ChC	Hendricks (R)	7-8	3.26	8-11	2-0	16.0	0.56	0-1 18.0 2.00	
STL	Mikolas (R)	7:15p	7-10	4.19	11-10	0-1	11.0	3.27	
INTERLEAGUE	TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	TR	W-L	IP	ERA
Ari	Greinke (R)	10-4	2.87	13-9	1-0	7.2	1.17	0-1 19.0 3.79	
NYY	Tanaka (R)	12:05p	7-6	4.79	12-9	0-1	4.0	6.75	
Min	Berrios (R)	9-5	2.94	13-8	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0 17.2 2.55	
Mia	Alcantara (R)	6:10p	4-9	4.18	7-13	0-0	0.0	0.00	
NYM	deGrom (R)	6-7	2.86	7-14	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0 19.0 0.47	
ChW	Giolitto (R)	7:10p	11-5	3.52	13-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Mil	Lyles (R)	5-7	5.36	8-9	0-0	6.2	1.35	0-2 8.0 14.63	
Oak	Anderson (L)	9:07p	9-6	4.05	14-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. VS: Opp: Pitcher's record versus this opponent, 2019 statistics.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
 Baltimore 8, San Diego 5
 Houston 2, Cleveland 0
 Minnesota 2, Miami 1
 Arizona 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
 Tampa Bay 6, Boston 5
 Seattle 8, Texas 5
 Toronto 9, Kansas city 2
 N.Y. Mets 5, Chi. White Sox 2 (11)
 L.A. Angels 6, Detroit 1
 Oakland 3, Milwaukee 2 (10)

THURSDAY'S GAMES
 Minnesota at Miami, 11:10
 N.Y. Mets at Chi. White Sox, 1:10
 Milwaukee at Oakland, 2:37
 Toronto at Baltimore, 6:05
 Houston at Cleveland, 6:10
 Tampa Bay at Boston, 6:10

NATIONAL LEAGUE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
 Baltimore 8, San Diego 5
 Arizona 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
 Philadelphia 4, San Francisco 2
 Pittsburgh 11, Cincinnati 4
 Minnesota 2, Miami 1
 Atlanta 11, Washington 8
 St. Louis 2, Chi. Cubs 1
 L.A. Dodgers 9, Colorado 4
 N.Y. Mets 5, Chi. White Sox 2 (11)
 Oakland 3, Milwaukee 2 (10)

THURSDAY'S GAMES
 Minnesota at Miami, 11:10
 San Francisco at Philadelphia, 12:05
 N.Y. Mets at Chi. White Sox, 1:10
 Milwaukee at Oakland, 2:37
 Chicago Cubs at St. Louis, 6:15
 Cincinnati at Atlanta, 6:20
 San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10

BOX SCORES

ORIOLES 8, PADRES 5
BALTIMORE AB R H BI SO AVG
 Villar 2b 5 1 1 0 2 .263
 Mancini rf 4 1 2 2 1 .282
 Armstrong p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Santander cf-rf 5 1 2 0 1 .306
 Rizzo 3b 4 0 1 0 1 .252
 Peterson lf 5 1 2 1 2 .240
 Severino c 4 0 1 0 2 .276
 Davis 1b 5 1 1 1 3 .181
 Martin ss 3 1 1 0 1 .186
 Eshelman p 2 0 0 0 0 .000
 Ynoa p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 b-Alberto ph 1 1 1 0 0 .311
 Castro p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 c-Wilkinson ph-cf 1 0 0 0 1 .219
TOTALS 40 8 13 8 14

SAN DIEGO AB R H BI SO AVG
 Rojas ss 5 1 1 1 2 .329
 Reyes rf 5 1 2 0 0 .255
 Machado 3b 5 2 2 1 1 .278
 Hosmer 1b 2 1 1 0 1 .284
 Myers lf 4 0 1 0 0 .091
 Baez p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Mejia c 4 0 1 2 2 .223
 Margot cf 4 0 0 0 0 .000
 Urias 2b 5 0 1 0 2 .091
 Lamet p 2 0 0 0 2 .000
 Stammen p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 a-Garcia ph 1 0 0 0 0 .264
 Strahm p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 Renfroe lf 0 0 0 0 0 .237
TOTALS 37 5 10 12 8

Baltimore 000 300 230 — 8 13 1
 San Diego 001 010 000 — 5 10 10

TWINS 2, MARLINS 1
MINNESOTA AB R H BI SO AVG
 Kepler rf 4 0 1 0 1 .262
 Polanco ss 3 0 0 0 2 .303
 Garver c 4 0 0 0 2 .279
 Rosario lf 4 1 1 0 0 .279
 Sano 3b 2 0 1 1 1 .250
 Arauz 2b 4 0 0 0 2 .357
 Gonzalez 1b 3 0 0 0 2 .252
 Buxton cf 3 1 1 1 1 .260
 Odorizzi p 2 0 0 0 0 .000
 Duffy p 4 0 0 0 0 .239
 a-Schoop ph 0 0 0 0 0 .255
 Romo p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Rogers p 0 0 0 0 0 —
TOTALS 29 2 4 2 11

MIAMI AB R H BI SO AVG
 Rojas ss 4 0 1 0 1 .289
 B.Anderson rf 3 0 0 0 0 .245
 Cloopie lb 3 0 0 0 0 .294
 Prado 3b 3 0 0 0 2 .340
 Walker 3b-1b 3 0 0 0 2 .257
 S.Castro 2b 4 1 1 0 1 .250
 Granderson lf 3 0 1 0 2 .185
 c-Rivera ph 1 0 0 0 0 .172
 Ramirez cf 3 0 0 0 1 .272
 Alfaro c 3 0 0 0 0 .264
 Gallen p 2 0 0 0 1 .100
 Quijada p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 b-Puello ph 1 0 0 0 0 .256
 Richards p 0 0 0 0 0 .100
TOTALS 31 1 4 1 9

Minnesota 001 100 000 — 2 4 1
 Miami 000 100 000 — 1 4 0

a-BB for Duffy, 8th. b-flieed out for Quijada, 8th. c-GO, Granderson, 9th. E: Rosario (4), Odorizzi (1), Buxton (10), off Gallen. RBIs: Sano (3), Buxton (44), Granderson (28), S.B. Anderson (5). CS: Sano (1). Runners left in scoring position: Min 2 (Arauz, Buxton); Mia 3 (Ramos, Granderson). RISP: Minnesota 0 for 2; 284; Miami 0 for 3. Runners moved up: Arauz. LIDP: Polanco. DP: Miami 2 (Alfaro, Rojas), (Walker).

MINNESOTA IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Odorizzi, W, 12-5 5½ 4 1 1 1 5 3.73
 Duffy, H, 5 1½ 0 0 0 2 3.57
 Romo, H, 2 0 0 0 0 1 3.49
 Rogers, S, 16-21 1 0 0 0 1 2.22

MIAMI IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Gallen, L, 1-3 7 4 2 2 3 8 2.72
 Quijada 1 0 0 0 1 2 3.12
 Richards 1 0 0 0 1 1 4.50

Inherited runners-scored: Duffy 1-0. HBP: Romo (B.Anderson). Umpires: H: Bill Welke; IB: Mike Everitt; 2B: Lance Barrett; 3B: Chris Guccione. Time: 3:11. A: 8,064 (36,742).

PHILLIES 4, GIANTS 2
SAN FRANCISCO AB R H BI SO AVG
 Solano 2b 4 0 1 0 2 3.333
 Yastrzemski lf 4 0 1 0 2 2.727
 Slater rf 2 0 0 0 0 .254
 f-Dickerson ph 1 0 0 0 0 .346
 Posey c 4 0 0 0 0 .260
 Green 3b 2 0 0 1 0 .154
 Crawford ss 3 0 0 0 0 .232
 Austin 1b 2 0 1 0 0 .188
 b-Belt ph-1b 1 1 1 0 1 .235
 Martinez p 4 0 0 0 0 .239
 a-Sandoval ph-3b 1 0 0 0 1 .264
 Beede p 1 0 0 0 1 .167
 a-Panik ph 1 0 0 0 0 .231
 Coonrod p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 Pomeranz p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 d-Vogt ph 1 1 1 1 0 .281
 Melancon p 0 0 0 0 0 —
TOTALS 30 2 6 2 8

PHILADELPHIA AB R H BI SO AVG
 Kingery cf 5 0 0 0 3 .273
 Segura ss 5 0 3 0 0 .285
 Harper rf 1 0 0 0 0 .253
 Hoskins 1b 4 1 1 2 2 .260
 Realmuto c 4 1 2 0 0 .270
 Hernandez 2b 4 1 2 0 0 .284
 Franco 3b 4 0 2 1 1 .232
 Baskley lf 4 0 2 0 2 .275
 Smyly p 3 0 0 0 2 .000
 Pivetta p 0 0 0 0 0 .083
 e-Rodriguez ph 1 0 0 0 1 .254
TOTALS 35 4 11 4 10

San Francisco 000 000 020 — 2 6 0
 Philadelphia 000 220 00x — 4 11 0

a-flieed out for Beede in the 6th. b-homered for Austin in the 8th. c-struck out for Green in the 8th. d-homered for Pomeranz in the 8th. e-struck out for Pivetta in the 8th. f-lined out for Slater in the 9th. LIDP: San Francisco 2, Philadelphia 10. 2B: Segura (23), Hasseley (4). HR: Belt (12), off Pivetta; Vogt (5), off Pivetta; Hoskins (23), off Beede. RBIs: Belt (37), Vogt (20), Hoskins (2), Franco (47), Hasseley (9). CS: Pillar (3). Runners left in scoring position: Philadelphia 8 (Kingery, Hoskins, Realmuto, S. Smyly 3). RISP: Philadelphia 2 for 14.

SAN FRANCISCO IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Beede, L, 3-5 5 10 4 4 2 4 5.01
 Coonrod 1 1 0 0 1 2 1.12
 Pomeranz 1 0 0 0 0 2 5.68
 Melancon 1 0 0 0 2 3 5.50

PHILADELPHIA IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Smyly, W, 2-5 7 4 0 0 1 5 6.86
 Pivetta, L, 1 2 2 2 0 2 5.45
 Neris, S, 19-23 1 0 0 0 1 3.74
 WP: Coonrod. Time: 2:47. A: 32,217 (43,647).

CARDINALS 2, CUBS 1
CHI CUBS AB R H BI SO AVG
 Garcia 2b 5 0 0 0 4 .220
 Heyward rf-cf 5 1 3 0 0 .278
 Bryant 3b-rf 4 0 0 0 0 .278
 Rizzo 1b 4 0 1 0 1 .283
 Baez ss 3 0 1 1 1 .285
 Carrasini c 2 0 0 0 2 .250
 i-Bote pr-3b 0 0 0 0 0 .250
 Schwarber lf 3 0 0 0 0 .226
 Happ cf 3 0 1 0 1 .100
 Cishek p 4 0 0 0 2 .250
 Darvish p 0 0 0 0 0 .111
 a-Almora Jr. ph 1 0 0 0 0 .241
 Wick p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Contreras c 4 0 0 0 1 .279
TOTALS 31 6 6 1 10

ST. LOUIS AB R H BI SO AVG
 Edman 3b 4 0 2 0 2 .270
 Fowler cf-rf 4 0 0 0 1 .247
 J.Martinez rf 4 1 2 0 1 .279
 2-Thomas pr-cf 0 0 0 0 0 .308
 Goldschmidt 1b 4 1 2 1 0 .258
 DeJong 3b 4 0 0 0 2 .250
 Wong 2b 2 0 1 0 0 .261
 O'Neill lf 3 0 0 0 1 .278
 Miller p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 C.Martinez p 0 0 0 0 0 .230
 Wieters c 4 0 0 0 2 .230
 Wainwright p 2 0 0 0 2 .133
 Fedde p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 Munoz lf 1 0 0 0 0 .278
TOTALS 31 2 7 1 11

Chicago 000 100 000 — 1 6 1
 St. Louis 000 101 00x — 2 7 0

a-lined out for Darvish in the 7th. 1-ran for Carrasini in the 8th. 2-ran for J.Martinez in the 8th. E: Cishek (1). LOB: Chicago 10, St. Louis 6. 2B: Rizzo (23). HR: Goldschmidt (25), off Darvish. RBIs: Baez (69), Goldschmidt (58). SF: Edman 2 (6). CS: Heyward (2). S: Darvish. Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 5 (Fowler, DeJong, O'Neill). RISP: Chicago 1 for 6; St. Louis 0 for 7. Runners moved up: Bryant, Rizzo. DP: St. Louis 1 (Wieters, Wong).

CHI CUBS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Darvish, L, 3-5 6 6 2 2 0 9 4.46
 Wick 1 0 0 0 0 .000
 Cishek 1 0 0 0 0 2.98

ST. LOUIS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Wainwright 5½ 5 1 1 3 5 4.47
 Gallegos, W, 3-1 0 0 0 1 2.15
 Miller, H, 17 1 0 0 2 1 3.47
 C.Martinez, S, 11 1½ 0 0 0 3 3.45

Inherited runners-scored: Gallegos 3-0, Miller 1-0, C.Martinez 2-0. HBP: Darvish (Wong). WP: Darvish 2. Umpires: St. Andy Fletcher; 1B: Jansen Visconti; 2B: Will Little; 3B: Joe West. Time: 3:05. A: 46,123 (45,538).

BRAVES 11, NATIONALS 8
ATLANTA AB R H BI SO AVG
 Acuna Jr. rf 5 0 0 0 3 .288
 Albies 2b 5 2 3 0 2 .296
 Freeman 1b 2 2 1 1 0 .308
 Culberson ph-1b 2 0 0 0 1 .333
 Donaldson 3b 5 1 1 3 1 .256
 McCann c 5 1 1 1 0 .276
 i-Bote pr-3b 5 3 4 2 0 .529
 Inciarte cf 5 2 3 2 0 .227
 Camargo ss 4 0 1 0 0 .228
 Guerra 3b 3 1 2 1 1 .143
 Minter p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Swarzak p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Riley ph 1 0 0 0 0 .240
 Jackson p 0 0 0 0 0 —
TOTALS 42 11 15 10 8

WASHINGTON AB R H BI SO AVG
 Turner ss 4 1 1 1 2 .284
 Blazek p 0 0 0 0 0 —
 Suzuki ph 1 0 0 0 0 .256
 Sipp p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 Eaton rf 4 1 1 0 0 .281
 Dozier 2b 4 1 1 2 1 .241
 Robles cf 4 1 1 0 1 .244
 Sanchez ph-ss 1 0 0 0 0 .200
 Soto lf 4 1 1 2 1 .285
 Kendrick 1b-3b 5 1 3 3 0 .316
 Polanco 3b 4 1 1 1 1 .241
 Gomez c 5 1 1 3 1 .213
 Fedde p 1 0 1 0 0 .111
 Guerra p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
 Swarzak pr-1b 2 0 0 1 .243
TOTALS 38 8 12 8 7

Atlanta 014 400 100 — 11 15 0
 Washington 000 001 133 — 8 12 2

E: Eaton (5), Rendon (7). LOB: Atlanta 10, Washington 9. 2B: Albies 2 (28), Inciarte 2 (7), Kendrick 2 (16). HR: Donaldson (24), off Fedde; Duval (2), off Fedde; Duval (3), off Guerra; Turner (9), off Teheran Gomes (6), off Swarzak; Soto (19), off Jackson. SF: Freeman (5). Inciarte (5). CS: Acuna Jr. (5).

ATLANTA IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Teheran, W, 6-7 6½ 7 2 2 2 6 3.38
 Minter ¾ 0 1 1 2 0 7.24
 Swarzak ¾ 2 2 0 1 1 3.53
 Jackson 1 3 3 1 0 1 3.60

WASHINGTON IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Fedde, L, 1-2 3½ 9 9 9 4 4 6.7
 Guerra ¾ 5 2 2 0 2 4.50
 Blazek 1 1 0 0 0 7.20
 Sipp 1 0 0 0 1 2 4.71

Inherited runners-scored: Minter 1-0, Swarzak 1-1. WP: Fedde. Time: 3:47. A: 26,566.

METS 5, WHITE SOX 2 (11)
NY METS AB R H BI SO AVG
 McNeil rf-cf 6 1 2 2 2 1 .336
 Conforto rf-1b 5 2 3 1 0 .256
 Alonso 1b 3 0 1 0 2 .260
 Cano 2b 6 0 0 1 0 .235
 Ramos dh 5 0 0 0 0 .255
 Davis lf 2 0 0 0 1 .299
 Altherr cf 1 0 0 0 1 .068
 Frazier 3b 4 1 1 0 0 .246
 Rosario ss 5 1 4 0 0 .277
 Nido c 4 0 0 1 2 .224
 Baez 1½ 2 0 0 2 5.42
TOTALS 43 5 12 5 8

WHITE SOX AB R H BI SO AVG
 Garcia rf 5 0 1 0 1 .291
 Jay lf 5 0 1 0 0 .316
 Abreu 1b 3 0 1 0 2 .263
 Moncada 3b 0 0 0 0 0 .301
 Goins 3b 4 1 1 0 0 .303
 Jimenez dh 5 0 0 0 0 .239
 McCann c 4 0 0 0 2 .276
 Anderson ss 4 1 1 0 0 .245
 Sanchez 2b 2 1 2

COLLEGES

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

New ways in DeKalb

Hammock promises attention to detail while installing 'eye candy' on offense

BY SHANNON RYAN

At Northern Illinois these days, a lot of comments at football practice start with "Back in my day ..."

"All the time," tight end Mitchell Brinkman said. "Back in my day, we were out with the sleds. 'Back in my day, we were outdoors.'"

"Or 'Back in my day, we didn't have iPhones and social media,' defensive tackle Ben LeRoy said.

Huskies coach Thomas Hammock realizes he dates himself when he recalls his playing days in DeKalb as a running back from 1999 to 2002 and his time as NIU running backs coach in 2005-06.

"I walk in and see a nice indoor facility," Hammock said Monday at NIU's media day in Chicago. "These guys don't know that building wasn't there. All that wind and cold ... if you got too hot, we were there on the turf."

His reminiscing serves to remind the current Huskies of how far the program has come, with four Mid-American Conference titles and seven appearances in the championship game in the last nine seasons.

"The facility is something they should have pride in," Hammock said, "and it's been a big determining factor in how well this program has done over the last few years."

Hammock, hired in January after five seasons as the Ravens running backs coach and three before that as a Wisconsin assistant, now needs to put his stamp on the 2019 Huskies.

NIU is coming off an 8-6 season that included a 30-29 victory over Buffalo in the MAC title game and a 37-13 loss to UAB in the Boca Raton Bowl under former coach Rod Carey, who left to coach Temple.

The Huskies, picked to finish third in the MAC West in a

preseason media poll, return 16 starters and open the season Aug. 31 against Illinois State.

"We talk about accountability, discipline, we talk about the small details," Hammock said. "One thing we all understand is winning is very, very fragile."

Players said they immediately picked up on that message.

Soon after his hiring, Hammock told players every position was up for grabs and needed to be earned through competition.

Tailback Marcus Jones recalled running for a 60-yard touchdown in practice and returning to the huddle to face the ire of coaches.

"I thought I did something awesome," Jones said. "I come back to the huddle and I'm getting screamed at by (running backs coach Atif) Austin and Coach Hammock because I switched the ball underhand. That small detail can cost us the game."

Likewise, receiver Spencer Tears quickly learned the new standards. He said he was held out of practice in the spring after arriving late to a team meeting.

"That never happened to me before," he said. "I was late to a meeting by a minute or so. I was



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"We talk about accountability, discipline, we talk about the small details. One thing we all understand is winning is very, very fragile."

— NIU coach Thomas Hammock

like, 'Oh, wow, it's serious.' Him doing that, (I knew) it's going to be totally different. We have to lock in."

Hammock promises an explosive offense filled with "eye candy" plays under the direction of new coordinator Eric Eidsness, who had been at South Dakota State.

The Huskies have relied mostly on the running game over the years, finishing 119th in the country in passing offense last season. Hammock said he wants to see more of a blend and to play to his athletes' strengths.

"It's going to be different," he said. "We're going to use different personnel when we come out of the huddle. We're going to shift, we're going to (use) motion to create matchups. That stuff is

hard to defend.

"We're going to make sure we utilize (our) talent. We're not looking to just run a bunch of plays over and over and over."

Deciding on a quarterback will be a major priority. Incumbent starter Marcus Childers and Cal transfer Ross Bowers likely will fight for the job. Hammock said he'll be looking for leadership qualities to help him decide.

While Hammock enjoys talking about his playing days at NIU, his joy about coaching the Huskies is evident.

"We have a group of players who expect to win," he said. "When I first went to NIU, we were trying to figure out how to win. We have players who expect to win. They go out and they work like winners."

CHICAGO STATE

Zorich out as athletic director after 15 months

BY SHANNON RYAN

Former Bears and Notre Dame star Chris Zorich is leaving his position as Chicago State athletic director after being hired in May 2018.

Zorich tweeted Tuesday that he and the university "have decided to part ways."

His tweet included what appeared to be a quote from university President Zaldwynaka "Z" Scott — "We appreciate the work Mr. Zorich has done for the University and wish him all the best in his future endeavors." — and another quote: "I am so proud of what the athletic department was able to accomplish under my tenure."

A separate tweet from Zorich's account read: "We strived to keep the welfare of our student-athletes as our primary mission. I want to thank the administration, coaches, staff and student-athletes for providing me with the opportunity to serve them."

The university website lists Jimell Bryd-Reno as interim athletic director.

Zorich, a Chicago native who graduated from Vocational High School, played defensive tackle on Notre Dame's 1988 national championship team and was a consensus All-American in 1989 and '90. He played for the Bears from 1991 to '96 and the Redskins in '97.

Before Chicago State, he was athletic director at Prairie State College, a community college in Chicago Heights.

After taking over at Chicago State, he quickly hired Lance Irvin to coach the men's basketball team and Misty Opat to coach the women. Both teams struggled last season, with the men finishing 3-28 and the women 2-28.



Zorich

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ACROSS

- 1 Highly self-satisfied
- 5 Snake-like fishes
- 9 Bounce back
- 13 Pinot noir & Riesling
- 15 Bona fide
- 16 ___ off; display
- 17 Walk leisurely
- 18 Cutback
- 20 Eskimo ___; ice cream treat
- 21 Siesta hour
- 23 Ulysses & Amy
- 24 Role player
- 26 Gangster's gun
- 27 Self-esteem
- 29 Least bananas
- 32 Enraged
- 33 Irish poet
- 35 Tack
- 37 Captures
- 38 Circular
- 39 Tibia or vomer
- 40 Sick
- 41 Hits hard
- 42 Sizable
- 43 Made watertight
- 45 Inclined
- 46 Pistol
- 47 Paper money
- 48 Elsewhere

DOWN

- 1 Trade
- 2 Rogers or Kennedy
- 3 Intolerable
- 4 Vaseline, e.g.
- 5 Boo-boo
- 6 Wide shoe width
- 7 Youth
- 8 Lazy person
- 9 Holdings
- 10 Boxer's target
- 11 Owl's call
- 12 Possesses
- 14 ___ out of court; avoid a trial
- 19 Huge hoisting machine
- 22 Misery
- 25 Lions & lynxes
- 27 Skirt style
- 28 Some grad exams

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- 29 "My Three ___" of old TV
- 30 Where trades are analyzed
- 31 Slight staining
- 33 Fungal growth
- 34 Not at home
- 36 "All You ___ Is Love"; Beatles hit
- 38 Goes in again
- 39 On the ___; alert
- 41 Lacking tact
- 42 Colorful fragrant flowers
- 44 Secret ___; spies
- 45 Waiter's hope
- 47 Chum
- 48 Arthur with a racket
- 49 Bondsman's offering
- 50 Pout
- 53 Slippery ___ eel
- 54 Wasp's home
- 56 Legislator's title: abbr.
- 57 Hearing organ
- 59 Dine

SCOREBOARD

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL		WEDNESDAY	
at Kansas City	-118	Toronto	+108
at LA Angels	-178	Detroit	+166
at Boston	Off	Tampa Bay	Off
Houston	-130	at Cleveland	+120
at Texas	Off	Seattle	Off
NATIONAL LEAGUE		WEDNESDAY	
Atlanta	-124	at Washington	+114
at Cincinnati	-210	Pittsburgh	+190
LA Dodgers	-130	at Colorado	+120
at Philadelphia	-122	San Fran.	+112
Chi Cubs	-113	at St. Louis	+103
INTERLEAGUE		WEDNESDAY	
at NY Yankees	-135	Arizona	+125
Minnesota	-174	at Miami	+162
NY Mets	-158	at Chi White Sox	+148
at Oakland	-143	Milwaukee	+133

NFL PRESEASON		THURSDAY	
HALL OF FAME GAME	3	Atlanta	
Denver			

source: pregame.com

WNBA

EASTERN				
	W	L	PCT	GB
Connecticut	14	6	.700	—
Washington	13	6	.684	½
Chicago	11	9	.550	3
New York	8	11	.421	5½
Indiana	6	15	.286	8½
Atlanta	5	15	.250	9
WESTERN				
	W	L	PCT	GB
Las Vegas	14	6	.700	—
Los Angeles	11	8	.579	2½
Seattle	12	9	.571	2½
Phoenix	10	9	.526	3½
Minnesota	10	10	.500	4
Dallas	5	15	.250	9

TUESDAY'S RESULTS	
Washington 99, Phoenix 93	
Connecticut 100, Chicago 94	
Las Vegas 86, Dallas 54	
WEDNESDAY'S GAME	
Atlanta at Indiana, 6 p.m.	

TENNIS

ATP/WTA CITI OPEN

in Washington, D.C.; outdoors-hard
MEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES

Jordan Thompson d. Jack Sock, 7-5, 6-3
Yoshihito Nishioka d. Daniel Evans, 6-4, 6-1
Miomir Kecmanovic d. Alexei Popyrin, 7-6 (6), 6-3
Reilly Opelka d. Christopher Eubanks, 6-4, 7-6 (3)
Peter Gojowczyk d. Andrey Rublev, 7-6 (6), 4-6, 7-6 (2)
Nick Kyrgios d. Thai-Son Kwiatkowski, 7-5, 6-4

MEN'S SECOND ROUND SINGLES
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga d. #2 Karen Khachanov, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5
#3 Daniil Medvedev d. Bjorn Fratangelo, 6-3, 6-4
#6 Marin Cilic d. Marius Copil, 7-6 (4), 7-6 (4)
#13 Kyle Edmund d. Lloyd Harris, 6-1, 6-4

#16 Frances Tiafoe d. Alexander Bublik, 6-1, 7-6 (5)

WOMEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES
Rebecca Peterson d. #1 Sloane Stephens, 6-2, 7-5
Hailey Baptiste d. #2 Madison Keys, 7-6 (4), 6-2
Zarina Diyas d. Cori Gauff, 6-4, 6-2
#8 Monica Puig d. Allie Kiick, 6-4, 6-2
Kristina Mladenovic d. Shelby Rogers, 6-4, 6-4
Camilia Giorgi d. Sachia Vickery, 6-2, 7-5
Catherine McNally d. Lin Zhu, 6-4, 6-2
#4 Hsieh Su-wei d. Kirsten Flipkens, 6-4, 6-3

ATP ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL
Ri in Los Cabos, Mexico; outdoors-hard
Juan Ignacio Londero d. #6 Christian Garin, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3
Taro Daniel d. Tennis Sandgren, 6-2, 6-0
#7 Radu Albot d. Janko Tipsarevic, 7-5, 2-6, 6-0
Soonwoo Kwon d. Cedric-Marcel Stebe, 6-2, 6-1
Cam Norrie d. Gregoire Barrere, 7-6 (5), 6-0
Grigor Dimitrov d. Steve Johnson, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 7-6 (5)
#5 Taylor Fritz vs. Dominik Koepfer, late

ATP GENERALI OPEN
Ri in Kitzbühel, Austria; outdoors-clay
Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. #5 Marton Fucsovics, 6-7 (6), 6-4, 6-4
Pablo Andujar d. #6 Leonardo Mayer, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2
Casper Ruud d. #8 Pablo Carreno Busta, 6-1, 3-6, 6-1
Jaume Munar d. Thomas Fabbiano, 7-6 (7), 1-6, 6-1
Jozef Kovalik d. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, 6-7 (1), 6-2, 6-3
Philipp Kohlschreiber d. Richard Gasquet, 6-3, 6-2
Sebastian Ofner d. Lucas Miedler, 7-6 (1), 7-6 (5)

WTA SILICON VALLEY CLASSIC
Ri in San Jose, Calif.; outdoors-hard
#5 Donna Vekic d. Misaki Doi, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4
#8 Danielle Collins d. Shuai Zhang, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2
Saisai Zheng d. Heather Watson, 6-3, 6-1
Victoria Azarenka d. Har. Tan, 6-2, 6-4
Bethanie Mattek-Sands, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-1
Madison Brengle vs. Andrea Petkovic, late

ATP MONEY LEADERS

1. Novak Djokovic	8,911,411
2. Rafael Nadal	7,027,843
3. Roger Federer	5,751,088
4. Dominic Thiem	4,118,462
5. Stefanos Tsitsipas	3,003,717
6. Fabio Fognini	2,045,340
7. Roberto Bautista Agut	1,952,154
8. Kei Nishikori	1,934,294
9. Alexander Zverev	1,687,422
10. Daniil Medvedev	1,623,386
11. Gael Monfils	1,403,341
12. Guido Pella	1,356,747
13. Stan Wawrinka	1,339,152
14. David Goffin	1,324,521
15. Karen Khachanov	1,308,078
16. Diego Schwartzman	1,277,483
17. John Isner	1,240,768
18. Dusan Lajovic	1,232,698
19. Nikoloz Basilashvili	1,189,896
20. Lucas Pouille	1,181,984
21. Felix Auger-Aliassime	1,172,374
22. Borna Coric	1,145,712
23. Jan-Lennard Struff	1,143,592
24. Milos Raonic	1,142,269
25. Pierre-Hugues Herbert	1,068,720
26. Matteo Berrettini	1,057,917
27. Laslo Djere	1,047,998
28. Benoît Paire	1,044,790
29. Feliciano Lopez	988,496
30. Jeremy Chardy	987,695
31. Denis Shapovalov	978,273
32. Fernando Verdasco	971,688

WTA MONEY LEADERS

1. Ash Barty	5,362,865
2. Simona Halep	5,083,227
3. Naomi Osaka	3,795,402
4. Karolina Pliskova	3,110,784
5. Petra Kvitová	2,795,135
6. Kiki Bertens	2,422,854
7. Serena Williams	2,148,795
8. Marketa Vondrousova	2,062,225
9. Elina Svitolina	1,900,961
10. Barbora Strýcová	1,861,057
11. Břilinda Bencic	1,836,815
12. Bianca Andreescu	1,680,495
13. Johanna Konta	1,657,600
14. Hsieh Su-wei	1,550,692
15. Elise Mertens	1,499,240
16. Angelique Kerber	1,357,211
17. Aryna Sabalenka	1,347,467
18. Sloane Stephens	1,316,389
19. Petra Martić	1,240,256
20. Zhang Shuai	1,240,078
21. Danielle Collins	1,207,455
22. Amanda Anisimova	1,126,804
23. Kristina Mladenovic	1,084,223
24. Madison Keys	1,000,165
25. Anett Kontaveit	966,658
26. Anastasija Sevastova	949,357
27. Katerina Siniakova	922,628
28. Garbine Muguruza	912,778
29. Alison Riske	881,365
30. Sam Stosur	834,169
31. Donna Vekic	832,475
32. Timea Babos	802,745

NFL

PRESEASON SCHEDULE	
HALL OF FAME WEEK	Aug. 1: Denver vs. Atlanta in Canton, Ohio, 7 p.m. (NBC)
WEEK 1	Thursday, Aug. 8
N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants, 6 p.m.	
Atlanta at Miami, 6 p.m.	
Indianapolis at Buffalo, 6 p.m.	
Jacksonville at Baltimore, 6:30 p.m.	
Tennessee at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.	
New England at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.	
Washington at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.	
Carolina at Chicago, 7 p.m.	
Houston at Green Bay, 7 p.m.	
L.A. Chargers at Arizona, 9 p.m.	
Denver at Seattle, 9 p.m.	
Friday, Aug. 9	
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.	
Minnesota at New Orleans, 7 p.m.	
Saturday, Aug. 10	
Cincinnati at Kansas City, 7 p.m.	
L.A. Rams at Oakland, 7 p.m.	
Dallas at San Francisco, 8 p.m.	

SOCCER

MLS						
EASTERN						
	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	11	7	6	39	41	36
Atlanta	11	9	3	36	38	29
D.C. United	9	9	4	37	31	26
N.Y. City FC	9	3	8	35	36	24
N.Y. Red Bulls	10	9	4	34	39	34
Montreal	10	11	3	33	31	38
New England	9	8	6	33	34	39
Toronto FC	9	9	5	32	38	38
Orlando City	7	11	5	26	30	33
Columbus	7	14	3	24	24	36
Chicago	5	10	9	24	34	35
Cincinnati	5	16	2	17	22	53
WESTERN						
	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	15	3	4	49	59	23
Seattle	11	6	5	38	33	28
LA Galaxy	12	9	1	37	30	31
San Jose	11	7	4	37	39	36
Minnesota	10	7	5	35	38	30
FC Dallas	9	8	6	33	31	26
Portland	9	8	4	31	35	32
Real Salt Lake	9	9	4	31	30	30
Houston	9	10	3	30	32	35
Sporting KC	6	9	7	25	33	39
Vancouver	4	11	9	21	23	41
Colorado	5	12	5	20	33	45

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
LA Galaxy at Atlanta, 4 p.m.
Toronto FC at N.Y. Red Bulls, 5 p.m.
FC Dallas at Orlando City, 6:30 p.m.
Los Ang. FC at New England, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Houston, 8 p.m.
Montreal at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose, 9 p.m.
N.Y. City FC at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Portland at Minnesota, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at D.C. United, 6:30 p.m.
Sporting KC at Seattle, 9 p.m.

Wednesday's All Star Game: Orlando City Stadium; Orlando, Fla. vs. Atletico Madrid; 7 p.m.

TEAM MLS SQUAD
Coach: James O'Connor, Orlando SC

Ezequiel Barco, M, Atlanta
Andre Blake, GK, Philadelphia
Diego Chara, M, Portland
Jonathan Dos Santos, M, LA Galaxy
Leandro Gonzalez-Pirez, D, Atlanta
Brad Guzan, GK, Atlanta
Matt Hedges, D, FC Dallas
Zlatan Ibrahimovic, F, LA Galaxy
Mark-Anthony Kaye, M, Los Angeles FC
Kemar Lawrence, D, N.Y. Red Bulls
Nicolas Lodeiro, M, Seattle
Josef Martinez, F, Atlanta
Romain Metanire, D, Minnesota
Maxi Moralez, M, New York City FC
Pity Martinez, M, Atlanta
Nani, M, Orlando City SC
Paxton Pomykal, M, FC Dallas
Alejandro Pozuelo, M, Toronto FC
Nick Rimando, GK, Real Salt Lake
Wayne Rooney, F, D.C. United
Diego Rossi, M, Los Angeles FC
Bastian Schweinsteiger, D, Chicago
Carlos Vega, F, Los Angeles FC
Chris Wondolowski, F, San Jose
Walker Zimmerman, D, Los Angeles FC
Graham Zuzi, D, Sporting KC

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Portland	7	2	5	26	30	18
North Carolina	7	3	4	25	29	15
Chicago	7	5	2	23	24	19
Washington	6	4	3	21	19	13
Reign FC	5	3	5	20	12	15
Houston	5	6	4	19	16	25
Utah	5	5	3	18	11	12
Orlando	3	9	2	11	16	31
Sky Blue FC	2	10	2	8	9	18

FRIDAY'S MATCHES
Washington at North Carolina, 6 p.m.
Reign FC at Houston, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Utah at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Sky Blue FC at Portland, 10 p.m.

GOLF

LPGA ROLEX RANKINGS

GOLFER	COUNTRY	AVG
Jin-Young Ko	S. Korea	8.93
Sung-Hyun Park	S. Korea	8.50
Lexi Thompson	U.S.	6.68
Minjee Lee	Australia	6.35
Inbee Park	S. Korea	6.24
Ariya Jutanugarn	Thailand	6.15
Brooke M. Thompson	Canada	5.84
Jeongjeun Lee	S. Korea	5.72
Nasas Hataoka	Japan	5.71
Nelly Korda	U.S.	5.44
Sei Young Kim	S. Korea	5.22
So Yeon Ryu	S. Korea	5.08
Carliota Ciganda	Spain	4.69
Danielle Kang	U.S.	4.56
Hyo-Joo Kim	S. Korea	4.47
Jessica Korda	U.S.	4.42
Shanshan Feng	China	4.28
Amy Yang	S. Korea	4.26
Eun-Hee Ji	S. Korea	3.84
Jiyai Shin	S. Korea	3.52
Lydia Ko	N. Zealand	3.47
Bronte Law	England	3.24
Moriya Jutanugarn	Thailand	3.24
Hye-Jin Choi	S. Korea	3.21
Hanna Green	Australia	3.11
Ai Suzuki	Japan	3.06
Charley Hull	England	3.03
Lizette Salas	U.S.	3.03
I.K. Kim	S. Korea	2.98
Georgia Hall	England	2.74
Angel Yin	U.S.	2.73
Marina Alex	U.S.	2.69
In Gee Chun	S. Korea	2.57
Azahara Munoz	Spain	2.56
Sun-Ju Ahn	S. Korea	2.54
Mi Hyang Lee	S. Korea	2.44
Yu Liu	China	2.41
Brittany Altomare	U.S.	2.41
Annie Park	U.S.	2.32
Austin Ernst	U.S.	2.32
Seon Woo Bae	S. Korea	2.24
Dea Yeon Lee	S. Korea	2.13
Mamiko Higga	Japan	2.13
Megan Khang	U.S.	2.13
Amy Olson	U.S.	2.11
Hinako Shibino	Japan	2.07
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Brooke M. Henderson	18	2,900	2	8
Sung Hyun Park	13	2,180	2	6
Minjee Lee	18	2,091	1	6
Lexi Thompson	15	2,056	1	7
Jeongjeun Lee	15	1,941	1	6
Nelly Korda	14	1,773	1	8
Sei Young Kim	15	1,765	1	4
Shanshan Feng	16	1,559	1	5
Eun-Hee Ji	16	1,524	1	7
Hyo-Joo Kim	12	1,463	0	9
Amy Yang	15	1,418	1	5
Ariya Jutanugarn	18	1,417	0	7
Carliota Ciganda	17	1,409	0	6
Nasa Hataoka	14	1,391	1	3
Danielle Kang	15	1,361	0	8
Azahara Munoz	17	1,246	0	6
Inbee Park	12	1,246	0	5
Bronte Law	16	1,166	1	2
Yu Liu	19	1,148	0	5
Celine Boutier	18	1,045	1	3
Moriya Jutanugarn	18	1,012	0	6
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Hannah Green	13	977	1	2
Brittany Altomare	17	960	0	2
Mi Hyang Lee	18	966	0	2
Jessica Korda	11	965	0	3
Gaby Lopez	17	819	0	4
Angel Yin	15	815	0	2
Su Oh	17			

BEARS



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Safety Ha Ha Clinton-Dix, taking a selfie with fans Tuesday at training camp in Bourbonnais, was activated, returned to the field and did some work with the defense.

Bears

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Here are two more takeaways from Tuesday's practice:

Khalil Mack feels an urgency in the Bears' preseason work

Mack is an established star who proved last year he's capable of wrecking a game without going through camp. No one will forget his two takeaways, including a pick-six, in the first half against the Packers last September, just eight days after the Bears traded for him.

However, he says that experience did not devalue camp for him.

"Just conditioning-wise, mentally, just getting back into the game, getting back into the grind and putting the pads on and hitting guys — it's always beneficial," he said Tuesday. "It's going to go a long way throughout the season as well."

Mack flashed consistently in the two padded and two non-padded practices that proceeded Tuesday's session. The quickness, size and strength that have made him a three-time All-Pro are plainly evident against the Bears offensive line.

Why does Mack go hard in camp when plenty of veterans across the league treat it as a chore?

He knows firsthand how fleeting success can be. In 2016, he starred for the Raiders, who earned a wild-card berth and, like the 2018 Bears, lost in the first round of the playoffs.

The next season, injuries decimated the team. The Raiders went 6-10, and coach Jack Del Rio was fired. It opened Mack's eyes to the warnings and advice veterans Charles Woodson and Justin Tuck gave him earlier in his career.

"It's like, man, we ain't got no time to waste," Mack recalled them saying. "We're trying to win. We're old. We're trying to win. That's the same thing. Same mindset. We're running out of time."

Eddy Pineiro had the first "doink" of training camp

It was a single doink but a doink nonetheless. Pineiro hit the right upright from 39 yards and missed wide right from 48. He went 6 for 8 on the day, which makes him 13 for 16 in camp.

"It's about production," coach Matt Nagy said. "You've got to make them. We'll look forward to him continuing to bounce back from it. We'll keep charts on how this goes. They all matter."

Pineiro's counterpart, Elliott Fry, is 17 for 20 in camp. Each has kicked on two days.

The Bears are off Wednesday and will return to a fully padded practice Thursday.

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BY MICHAEL MOSS - Medical Correspondent

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RANKING THE BEST BEARS PLAYERS EVER

#37 Ken Kavanaugh

2-sport star chose football — and holds Bears' career record with 50 touchdown receptions

BY WILL LARKIN

A first baseman for the Kilgore Boomers was taking infield practice before an East Texas League game in 1940.

The tall 24-year-old was getting along just fine in his first professional season, batting .284 with five home runs and 17 doubles in 236 at-bats. A future with the St. Louis Cardinals was a possibility.

As he was fielding ground balls and scooping low throws out of the dirt, a clubhouse attendant approached him and told him he had a long-distance call.

Ken Kavanaugh picked up the clubhouse telephone.

"This is George Halas," the caller announced.

"Who are you?" Kavanaugh replied.

Halas had drafted Kavanaugh in the third round out of LSU, where he was an All-American end who led the nation in receiving in 1939. The 1940 draft stacked the Bears with talent that would help them dominate for the next decade. Ed Kolman, Hampton Pool, Lee Artoe and Harry Clarke were instant contributors, and first-rounder Bulldog Turner would become one of the NFL's best players.

Kavanaugh, Halas felt, was the missing link between the Bears and greatness. Quarterback Sid Luckman and the T formation with a man in motion were ready to render contemporary defenses obsolete; all they needed was a receiver to stretch the field. The 6-foot-3, 207-pound Kavanaugh was that player.

"You have to play in the (College) All-Star Game before I can sign you," Halas told Kavanaugh.

"I have to take infield," Kavanaugh said before hanging up.

The next day Kavanaugh received another phone call, from Tribune sports editor Arch Ward. Ward was a friend and confidante of Halas, but more relevant to the situation, he was the director of the College All-Star Game, which pitted the NFL champion against a team of star college graduates in preseasons from 1934-76.

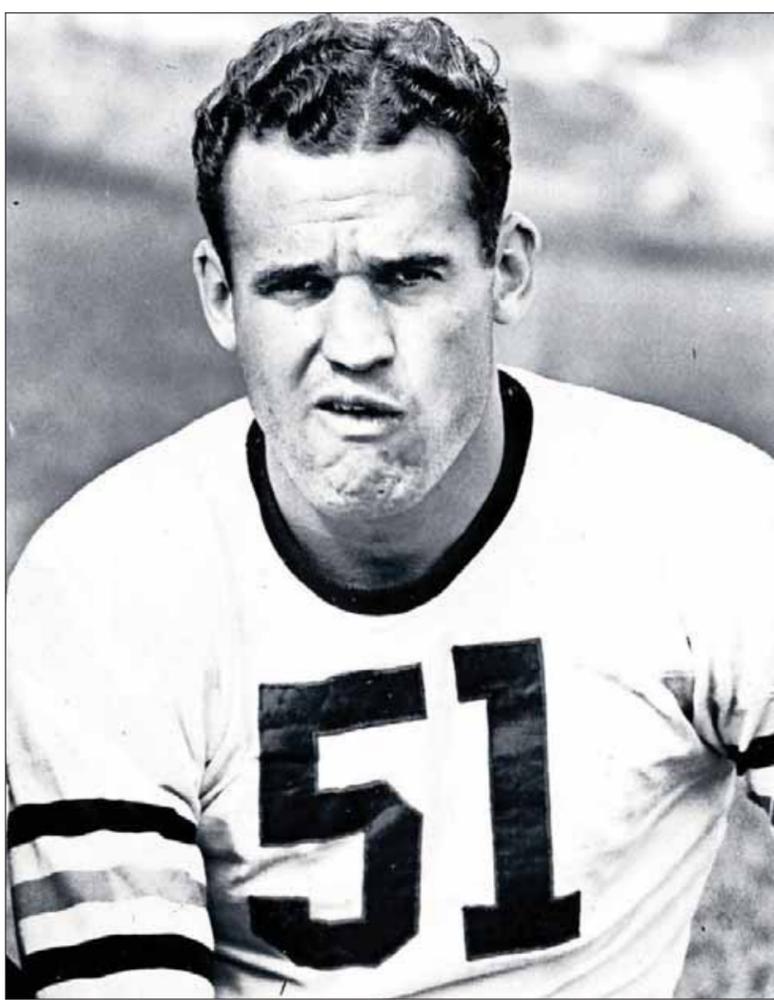
Ward told Kavanaugh to report to Northwestern University for practice as soon as he could. Kavanaugh again hung up.

Kavanaugh enjoyed rare leverage for a player in contract negotiations against Halas, as Jeff Davis described as well as the conversations above in his 2005 biography of Halas, "Papa Bear: The Life and Legacy of George Halas."

Cardinals executive Branch Rickey, knowing that Kavanaugh was a commodity in two sports, signed him for a contract that paid him \$300 per month.

Rickey allowed Kavanaugh to attend the All-Star game, which the Packers won 45-28. After competing against Don Hutson, the Packers' amazing receiver, Kavanaugh realized he wanted to become a football player and decided to sign with the Bears.

Halas initially offered \$50 per game, then \$100, then \$150. Kavanaugh held out for \$300. Halas relented and lamented, "You're



CHICAGO TRIBUNE HISTORICAL PHOTO

Receiver Ken Kavanaugh gave up baseball to play football, and the Bears are forever thankful he made that decision as he holds the team record for touchdown catches.

getting paid better than anyone else in the league."

It turned out to be a steal for the Bears. Kavanaugh took the team to the next level with his uncanny ability to catch touchdown passes. Sixty-nine years after his last game, Kavanaugh's 50 touchdown receptions are still the most in Bears history. His reception total was a modest 162 in eight seasons, but he averaged 3.2 receptions per touchdown. In 1947 he set a team record that still stands by catching a touchdown in seven consecutive games.

Even during seasons in which he wasn't a huge part of the offense, Kavanaugh made an impact in the end zone. He caught three touchdowns on 12 receptions in 1940, six on 11 in '41, five on 18 in '46 and six on 18 in '48.

"The average football end thinks he's open all the time," Bears assistant coach Luke Johnsos told the Tribune's Cooper Rollow on Dec. 26, 1963. "He's forever clamoring for the ball. Kavanaugh was just the opposite. Luckman would call his number on a pass play and, unless he knew he had the defensive man in his pocket, he'd say, 'Not yet, Sid.'"

"Finally, Ken would say, 'I got this guy all set up now, Sid,' and when he said that, you knew he was touchdown-bound."

Later in life, Kavanaugh wished he would have called for the ball a bit more often.

"Luckman was a great player and smart," Kavanaugh told Davis in his Halas biography, "but he never threw the ball enough."

Kavanaugh helped the Bears win championships in 1940, 1941 and 1946. He scored touchdowns in all three wins, on receptions from Luckman in the 73-0 rout of the Redskins in 1940 and the 24-14 win against the Giants in 1946. In 1941 he put the finishing touches on a 37-9 title game win over the Giants with a 42-yard fumble return for a score.

He missed three seasons in 1942-44 while serving as a bomber pilot in Europe during World War II. He returned to the Bears right before the 1945 season and was a better player in his 30s than he was in his 20s. He led the NFL with 13 touchdown receptions in 1947 — a team record Dick Gordon tied in 1970 and not matched since — and nine in 1949.

Kavanaugh's career total of 50 touchdown receptions was difficult to match well into the future. Wes Welker also ended up with 50 in his career, and Pro Football Hall of Famer Lynn Swann had 51. Kavanaugh's 48 touchdown receptions in the 1940s were second only to Hutson's 63, and his 50

KAVANAUGH AS A BEAR

1940-41, 1945-50 | 8 seasons | 90 games
Bears record: 65-25-1 (.720).

Playoff appearances: 4; NFL champion in 1940, 1941 and 1946.

Acquired: Third round (22nd overall), 1940 draft from LSU.

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overall were second all time when he retired to Hutson's otherworldly 99, which still ranks 11th in NFL history.

In 1994 and 2005 the Tribune selected all-time Bears teams. In keeping with the franchise's strengths, three running backs and one receiver were named on offense. Both times, Kavanaugh was selected as receiver. He ranks 10th in team history with 3,626 receiving yards and 14th with 313 points, and the Hall of Fame named him to its 1940s All-Decade team.

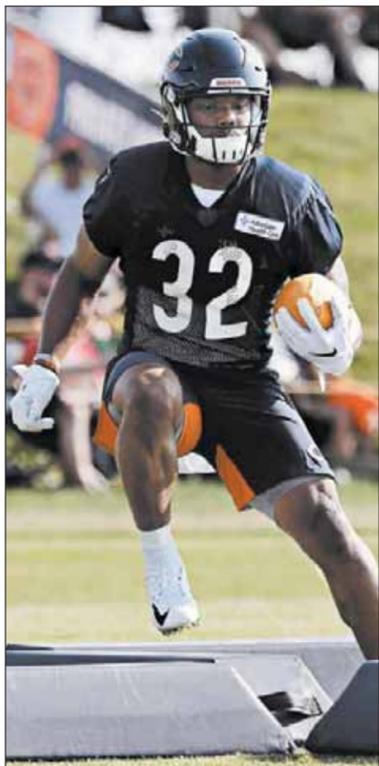
When Kavanaugh retired as a player, the former baseball star moved forward with a life in football. He coached ends with the Bears in 1951, then at Boston College for two years and Villanova for one. In 1955 he found a home in New York with the Giants. He coached ends and receivers there until 1970, when he became a scout. After 45 years with the team he retired in 1999 to Sarasota, Fla., where he died at 90 in 2007 from complications from pneumonia.

In his 1979 autobiography, "Halas by Halas," the man who signed Kavanaugh still marveled about his ability to turn any catch into a score.

"Kavanaugh was a quick, resourceful operator who invariably came up with the big catch when you needed it most," Halas wrote. "These Kavanaugh specials were astonishingly productive. ... Virtually every third pass Kavanaugh caught was good for a touchdown!"

POSITION PREVIEW RUNNING BACKS BY DAN WIEDERER

As the Bears grind through training camp in Bourbonnais, the Tribune is taking a look at each position group.



NAM HUH/AP

Rookie running back David Montgomery, working out Saturday at camp in Bourbonnais, has a potentially large role awaiting.

Currently on roster: 5.

Projected on final roster: 4.

Roster locks: David Montgomery, Tarik Cohen, Mike Davis.

On the bubble: Kerrith Whyte, Ryan Nall.

Biggest offseason developments: The Bears traded Jordan Howard to the Eagles for a sixth-round pick in 2020. ... The Bears used their top draft pick — No. 73 overall in Round 3 — to select Montgomery. ... Davis arrived in free agency, signing a two-year, \$6 million deal with \$3 million guaranteed.

How fast Montgomery emerges, Cohen's role are main RB issues

What to like

Ryan Pace again showed his aggressive side on draft weekend, making a bold trade up to grab David Montgomery, a well-rounded back who possesses the versatility and receiving potential Howard never had. Montgomery piled up 2,815 yards from scrimmage in his final two seasons as a starter at Iowa State and impressed NFL scouts and talent evaluators with his contact balance and ability to bounce off tacklers.

Bears coach Matt Nagy has called Montgomery "the whole package," impressed he has natural hands and route-running savvy to go with his obvious talents as a ball carrier.

"The amount of times that he makes defenders miss inside the tackle box (is impressive)," Nagy said. "He extends runs with his sheer power. He has a tremendous ability to feel when that next guy is coming, that peripheral vision."

Take note, fantasy football owners. Even in a committee backfield in which Tarik Cohen and Mike Davis will demand touches, Montgomery will have ample opportunity to become one of the driving forces of the offense. Nagy already has promised that the rookie will get "a fair amount of carries in the preseason."

"We need to see that with him," Nagy said.

While Montgomery was impressive throughout organized team activities and minicamp with his quickness, Pace and Nagy are eager to get him into contact situations at training camp and in preseason games.

Said Pace: "I'm anxious to see that — does what we saw in college translate to the league? And that's breaking tackles, running through arm tackles and getting positive yards when it's cloudy."

Biggest question

What's next for Cohen as his role evolves in Nagy's offense?

The bottle-rocket back went to the Pro Bowl last season as a return specialist. But it's worth emphasizing he also led last season's Bears in catches (71), receiving yards (725) and yards from scrimmage (1,169). So discard any worry that Cohen may become an afterthought in the offense with the arrival of Montgomery and Davis.

Nagy knows how valuable Cohen was and can be as a chess piece, so the coaching staff will spend ample time in meetings figuring out new and creative ways to turn Cohen loose.

"I don't see anything affecting my role because I'm a do-it-all guy," Cohen said. "I can fit any mold. I'm just here to do whatever they need me to do."

In the Bears' 16-15 playoff loss in January, Cohen was locked up by the Eagles defense, touched the ball only four times and netted just 28 yards. Nagy will have to work harder to free up one of his most explosive weapons. Four times last season, Cohen topped 100 yards from scrimmage.

Fresh face

The Bears are Davis' third team in his fifth NFL season, and he never really had a featured role with the 49ers and Seahawks. So the veteran isn't fretting about competing for work in a crowded but cohesive backfield.

With the Bears expected to make a greater commitment to the running game in 2019, Davis' contributions will be important, and his drive to learn the offense and showcase his skills has been

noticed. Like Montgomery, offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich expects Davis to be "better when there are collisions and broken tackles." Nagy continues to laud Davis' vision, physicality and athleticism.

"I am just happy to come in and play," Davis said. "I can't wait."

You should know

Rookie Kerrith Whyte, a seventh-round pick out of Florida Atlantic, may be destined for the practice squad. But it would not be a shock if his special teams abilities allowed him to make the 53-man roster and contribute this fall.

Whyte's speed is his greatest strength; he ran a 4.38-second 40-yard dash at his pro day. He'll compete for return duties and also proved in college he's a reliable tackler in punt and kickoff coverage. For those looking for reasons to tune in to preseason games, tracking Whyte's progress through August will be intriguing.

Quote of note

"I thought he was very well-rounded. Somebody after the (draft) compared him to (Matt) Forte. That's pretty rare air around here. He's maybe not a 10 anywhere (with his skills), but a lot of 9s." — Helfrich on Montgomery

Big number

121.1 Rushing yards per game the 2018 Bears posted, 11th in the NFL. But nearly 22 percent of that yardage came from quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

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Spieth adds tournament with eyes on East Lake

BY DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

Jordan Spieth hasn't played the Wyndham Championship since he lost in a playoff to Patrick Reed in 2013, a finish that allowed him to start the FedEx Cup playoffs in the top 10. He returns to Greensboro, North Carolina, facing a little more urgency.

"I would like to make East Lake. That's my goal now," Spieth said.

Spieth is at No. 67 in the FedEx Cup. Under the new schedule, he will have two playoff events to get in the top 30 and qualify for the Tour Championship at East Lake. It made sense to play one more tournament to boost his position. That could mean playing six straight weeks if he makes it to East Lake, but having missed the Tour Championship last year, he felt it was worth it.

"I really want to get back there," he said. "I didn't like missing that last year, and (I'm) coming in further behind this year than I was last year."

Still unsettled in the shorter postseason is how high in the standings he'll have to be to get beyond the first playoff event. The top 125 are eligible for The Northern Trust next week at Liberty National, and the top 70 advance to the BMW Championship at Medinah.

The extra playoff event last year meant the top 100 advanced to the second stage, and then the top 70 to the BMW Championship.

Other players have more pressing matters than East Lake, such as keeping their full PGA Tour cards.

Alex Noren is at No. 125 in the FedEx Cup by two points over Austin Cook and Richy Werenski. Every player from No. 103 through No. 138 in the FedEx Cup is in the field at the Wyndham Championship. Dominic Bozzelli is in the most precarious spot. He is at No. 139 and was first alternate on Tuesday.

Also in the field is two-time major champion Martin Kaymer, who is No. 146. His five-year exemption from winning the 2014 U.S. Open ends this year.

Lexi's rough road trip

Lexi Thompson is not off to the best start during the LPGA Tour's back-to-back majors in Europe.

She missed the cut at the Evian Championship with rounds of 77-72, and then criticized course conditions that led to bad breaks in an Instagram post in which she concluded, "I'm actually very thankful I don't have to put myself through that for another two days." She later removed the post and replaced it with one to "clear up any confusion" and explain that her words were meant to express frustration at her play.

Leaving France was even worse.

According to a report on Golf Channel's website, a van carrying golf bags of nearly 40 players to Woburn for the Women's British Open was two hours down the road when the driver received a call that Thompson had left her passport in her golf bag and needed it to leave Geneva.

The driver, Ian Wright, told Golf Channel he was asked if he could pull over and wait while Thompson's caddie took a taxi from Geneva to meet up with him. He says the delay was three hours, including repacking the van. He missed the ferry to England, got caught in morning rush-hour traffic and got to Woburn so late that the course was closed for practice Monday.

Her agent, Bobby Kreuzler, told Golf Channel it was an "honest mistake" and that Thompson had no idea it would cause such a delay and effect players the way it did. "She would never have wanted that," the agent said.

Ryann O'Toole, whose clubs didn't arrive until Tuesday evening ahead of the Evian, wasn't happy to lose another day of preparation for a major.

"I don't know why the driver would agree to accommodate one person knowing it would punish about a third of the field," O'Toole told Golf Channel. "The driver should have said: 'Hey, I've got to get these clubs to Woburn. If you want the passport, somebody's going to have to fly there to get it and bring it back.'"



SAM GREENWOOD/GETTY

Three-time major champ Jordan Spieth enters the Wyndham Championship ranked 67th in the FedEx Cup standings. Spieth won the Cup in 2015.

End of an era

Bill Paul had two job offers when he graduated from college and couldn't make up his mind. One was with the Royal Canadian Golf Association, for whom he began working summer internships when he was in high school. The other was with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League, which drafted him out of Sheridan College.

Paul remembers driving down the QEW between Oakville and Hamilton trying to decide which job to take. He never made it to training camp.

"I decided to value my knees," he said.

So began nearly 43 years of service that ends with his decision to step down as chief championship officer of what is now Golf Canada.

"I believe that the organization is well positioned for success going forward," he said.

It hasn't always been easy, especially during more than two decades as tournament director of the Canadian Open, which has gone through sponsorship changes and for the longest time

didn't have a consistent date on the PGA Tour schedule.

Now it has RBC as its title sponsor and a spot the week before the U.S. Open, which attracted the likes of Brooks Koepka and Rory McIlroy, who won this year.

Among his memories was a conversation with Tiger Woods and his father on the range at Augusta National, where Paul offered a sponsor exemption if Woods decided to turn pro. That was his first commitment until he added the Greater Milwaukee Open in 1996.

Four years later, Paul secured another commitment from Woods in the summer of 2000. Woods then completed the career Grand Slam at St. Andrews, won the PGA Championship for his third straight major, won at Firestone the following week by 11 shots and then won the Canadian Open with a 6-iron from 218 yards out of the bunker and over the water to set up birdie on the last hole.

Irish eyes

Two days after Shane Lowry of Ireland won the British Open at

Royal Portrush, Irish golf had another reason to celebrate: The Ryder Cup is returning to the Emerald Isle. Ryder Cup Europe announced the 2026 matches will be at Adare Manor in County Limerick.

It will be the second time the Ryder Cup is held in Ireland. Europe won 18½-9½ at The K Club outside Dublin in 2006.

Ireland joins England and Scotland as the only European countries to hold the Ryder Cup more than once. England has had it 16 times, while Scotland had it twice (Muirfield in 1973, Gleneagles in 2014).

The next Ryder Cup is at Whistling Straits in Wisconsin in 2020, followed by Italy in 2022 and Bethpage Black in New York in 2024.

Divots

Hale Irwin, a three-time U.S. Open champion, has been selected to receive the Payne Stewart Award. The PGA Tour will honor Irwin on Aug. 20 during the Tour Championship in Atlanta. ... Justin Rose and Brooks Koepka have each won PGA

Tour events this year as the No. 1 player in the world. The last time two players won in the same year at No. 1 was in 2016, when Jordan Spieth won at Kapalua and Jason Day won The Players Championship. ... Akshay Bhatia has received a sponsor exemption to the Safeway Open, where the 17-year-old plans to make his pro debut. Bhatia joined Cole Hammer and Stewart Hagestad as the first players named to the Walker Cup team. ... Former Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo also received an exemption to the Safeway Open, to be played Sept. 26-29.

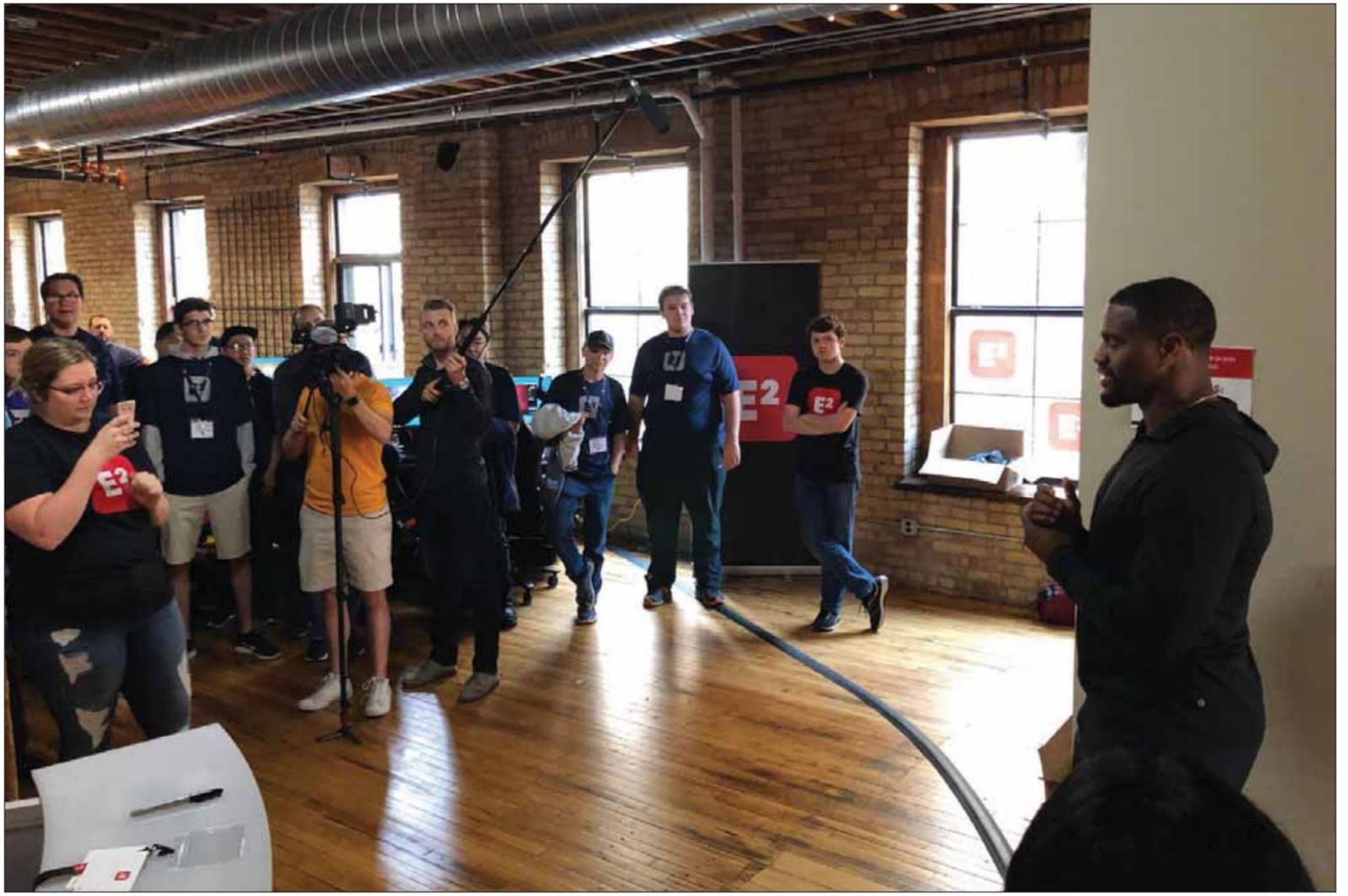
Stat of the week

Phil Mickelson has missed seven cuts and has only one top-20 finish in the 14 starts he has made since winning the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Final word

"He's going to be a national hero for the rest of his life." — Rory McIlroy on Shane Lowry winning the British Open at Royal Portrush.

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Redskins defensive end Jonathan Allen oversees a video gaming tournament at the E-Squared offices in Minneapolis.

Allen game for 2nd career

After playing days over, Redskins DE eager to tackle world of esports

BY KAREEM COPELAND
The Washington Post

MINNEAPOLIS — The early courtship between Jonathan and Hannah wasn't always particularly romantic. They officially met at her first party on the University of Alabama campus, but she had seen the hulking football player around study hall. He helped her get a ride at the end of the festivities, and they ended up ordering pizza and talking late into the night.

Jonathan Allen, the future Redskins defensive end, would invite her over to his dorm after dinner at Bryant Dining Hall — she was a rower, and their schedules often included a late meal. It took a while before Hannah knew he was the one because of a peculiar recurring dynamic: She would come over, and he would play video games while she watched.

"I'm like, 'What the heck?'" Hannah said earlier this summer over lunch in Reston, Virginia. "He'd be like, 'I need just one hour of game time.' And I would just fall asleep because I have to get up at 4:30. He still says that: 'just one hour of game time.'"

Jonathan glances over and adds with a smile, "Wanted you to know what you're getting into."

Hannah, indeed, knew what she was getting into when she said, "I do." Family, football and video games are the three passions for Jonathan Allen, and the latter two are far from just a game.

The typically chic home of the Institute For Athletes sports agency, the Minneapolis-based firm that represents Allen, with its exposed brick housing glass-walled offices and original wood flooring, is bustling as kids move between 20 computers set up as gaming stations. Allen is on hand, along with agent Blake Baratz and 140 area high school students for a weekend-long gaming tournament to mark the soft-launch of IFA Gaming, the new third arm of the agency.

The event isn't just a promotional appearance for Allen; he is quite literally invested in the event. This is Allen's world outside of football, and that's why Baratz approached Allen with this vision. IFA already had a talent arm and a marketing arm of its business called Elevation, but co-founder Michael Zweigbaum had the idea to get into esports.

Zweigbaum asked his three sons a question one day: Would they rather go to an esports event or a baseball game? There was no interest in the baseball tickets, and the seed for what would become E-Squared, the branded name of IFA Gaming, was planted.

"I just saw a really big opening in the Midwest for a really solid esports brand to be able to consult [other] brands on how to activate in esports," Zweigbaum said. "And really, if we're going to consult, we have to get at it and understand it from its infancy and then its core level. ... Our core mission really is to elevate whatever you want to do within the gaming space."

When Zweigbaum discussed the idea with Baratz, he immediately thought of Allen. They brought him to Los Angeles to meet with people from Next Generation Esports, an independent esports production company that works with E-Squared.



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— Jonathan Allen

Allen now has an equity stake in the company and sees this as a post-football career option. But his aspirations don't stop there.

"Honestly what I like about video games is they're competitive," Allen said. "If it wasn't competitive, meh, probably wouldn't like it. It's competitive. Football's competitive. Video games, super, super competitive. ... I don't know what my income is going to be after football for video games. Honestly, I don't care. I plan to make enough money playing football so where it doesn't matter. But I'm so passionate in video games that no matter what I do, I'm going to give everything I've got. I feel like when I give 100 percent something, I will be successful in it. I genuinely believe that. I just want to do something I love."

Allen's infatuation with gaming comes from his father, Richard, a career military man. Richard is the hero figure of the family, raising his sons as a single dad after the boys fell into foster care while living with their mother, who had mental health issues. His father was a gamer and his brother Richard III played, so Jonathan also played. It used to be a lot of football games — Madden NFL and NFL Blitz. Now he mostly plays combat-centric first-person shooters — another link to his father. If Jonathan hadn't excelled in football, he would have followed in both Richards' footsteps as military men. His current favorite game is Rainbow Six Siege.

And so Allen was in heaven at the tournament, marking its opening with remarks that called the launch of E-Squared "a dream come true."

"Whether [or not] we were actually going to have our own brand ... we were going to be doing work with Jon in gaming regardless because of his passion," Baratz said. "Once we decided that we were actually going to get into it and put our own time and money and energy into it, it was a no-brainer to involve him."

His passion for gaming resonated with the kids in attendance. There were stretches where Allen sat alone in the waiting area just watching the competition stream.

"I saw myself in him a little bit because he plays football and I do, too," 15-year-old William Bainbridge said. "I can really look up to him and his skill in that regard. And the fact that he has this whole other side of his life where he does esports and plays video games and has a Twitch [stream] and whatnot ... just being able to talk to someone who shares similar interests, it's just really enjoyable to see that it's actually possible to balance both of these things. ... I just think it's really awesome. He seems really nice and genuine."

"[Allen] adds so much legitimacy to the event," said Jake Utities, a high school esports coach and consultant. "He really, really connects with the kids. They liked having him here. They got excited. ... Part of it is that he's a pro football player. But the reason they're excited is this guy, who's a big deal, gave a crap about them and we really never get any kind of attention whatsoever."

"Esports isn't just kids playing games. It means a lot more to this group of kids. A lot of parents have said: 'This is just more screen time for my kid. I don't want them to be spending more time because they're already not social enough.' And then all of a sudden they're in this program and have more friends than they've ever had. ... So understanding that anything you get out of sports whatsoever — teamwork, camaraderie, friends, getting over adversity — all those things come from [esports, too]."

Allen wants to be known as the Michael Strahan of video games. The Pro Football Hall of Famer and former New York Giant has carved out a post-NFL career as a talk-show host and television personality, breaking free from the football world to star on "Good Morning America." A large

portion of the country only knows him from his television exploits, not as the player with the sixth-most sacks in NFL history.

"Michael is just like a celebrity, like an A-list celebrity just from shows," Allen said. "... Smart. It's genius."

That's the kind of cache Allen wants in the esports world. He quickly rattles off famous gamers and content creators such as Ninja and NarcolepticNugget as people he looks up to. The first thing he did with his first NFL check was purchase a custom gaming PC that now boasts 100 gigabytes of RAM, a two-terabyte hard drive and an i7 core processor with two GTX 1080 Ti graphics cards. In layman's terms, it's a powerful machine specifically built for gaming marathons.

The tie between professional athletes and the gaming world is already strong. Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and investor John Goff bought a majority stake in esports franchise Complexity Gaming and opened a facility next door to Cowboys headquarters. Complexity's players train in the same facilities as the Cowboys players, and the organization is run as a traditional sports franchise. Cleveland Cavaliers owner Dan Gilbert made a multimillion-dollar investment in 100 Thieves, another esports organization. New England Patriots owners Robert and Jonathan Kraft joined Los Angeles Rams owner Stan Kroenke as initial investors in franchises for the Overwatch League.

Reuters recently reported that global esports revenue will hit \$1.1 billion this year. E-Squared is set up to be flexible enough to continue to hold events, possibly build an arena or sponsor a team and consult with athletes, brands or companies on how to grow in gaming.

"It's like the cartoon where they light the powder keg and then the cartoon guy is sitting on top of it and it's about to take off," said Dan White, who has been running gaming events since 2003. "We've been saying for a while, 'Get in right now because you're on the ground floor,' but this is the last ticket. The train's leaving the station and, in two to five years, if you're not already established, you'll be coming in after the lines have been drawn."

Allen is already fully on board. Hannah Allen still gets pulled into watching Jonathan play for hours on end, despite an affinity for being outdoors and the fact she really only plays Words with Friends on her phone. It's a far cry from the 20 hours per week Jonathan puts in during the offseason. She's a runner and also the handyman of the house, single-handedly ripping bushes out of the yard and taking on other household projects. She drags Jonathan out for some adventures, but he also has to get off his feet and get recovery time from his NFL workout schedule. Hannah doesn't mind and gets a kick out of listening to him play with her brother Jake, whom Jonathan convinced to start playing and is now "addicted just like me."

The dynamic is not all fun and games, though. Jonathan approaches his passions seriously, whether that's studying the Redskins' playbook or watching other streamers to learn how they build and engage their audiences. When he's watching others on Twitch or YouTube, things change in the Allen household.

"I'm not allowed in the room," Hannah said with a laugh.

"I like to focus," Jonathan replied with a shrug.

MY WORST MOMENT

And the winner is ... Judy Reyes ... really

Tongue-tied 'Claws' star learned lesson about gratitude

BY NINA METZ

On the exuberantly over-the-top Florida crime noir "Claws," now in its third season on TNT, Judy Reyes plays Quiet Ann, a character who hasn't been quiet enough this year, ironically: Her loose lips have unleashed some major complications for her and her sisterhood of nail technicians led by Niecy Nash.

According to Reyes, producers originally envisioned the role a little differently.

"Physically she was nothing like I am. She was about twice my size. Definitely quieter. And I was actually concerned that I wouldn't do justice to her. But I was really intrigued by the fact that she was such an intrinsic part of this tight, powerful circle of women and yet saying so little. So I started with an authentic appearance based on women I grew up with and around. I pulled my hair back, I wore no makeup, baggy pants, I pushed my (breasts) in."

Before "Claws," Reyes first gained wide notice as part of the main cast on "Scrubs." The role was a milestone, and it was front



CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP

Judy Reyes accepts the award for outstanding actress in a television series for her work in the show "Scrubs," at the 2006 National Council of La Raza ALMA Awards in Los Angeles.

up to the stage and they would just hand me this plaque. I didn't realize that I was supposed to make a speech — it only dawned on me when I got there. I didn't know that it was a big deal. And I didn't know that other celebrities like Andy Garcia and Jimmy Smits — people I grew up worshipping and wanting to be like — were going to be there in the audience.

"So (laughs), I'm sitting there really nervous, trying to figure out exactly what I was going to say. I was like, I better stop drinking and start thinking! In my youth, with my excellent memory back in the day, I thought I could just put something together in my head real quick and wing it. I was young, OK (laughs)? So they're going on and on about my résumé, things that I had done that I had completely forgotten. And while this is happening I had maybe one drink too many because when I got up there, I said, 'Thank you' — and then went completely blank.

"I was like: 'Uh, uh' — and I'm looking at Donald and he's looking at me like: She's high! She must have smoked weed, she's high! And I was looking at George, my husband, and he was just nodding at me like: You can do it!

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of mind when Reyes was asked to share a worst moment from her career. In hindsight, she said, the experience made her realize she had been too modest about her accomplishments.

My worst moment ...

"It was the second season of 'Scrubs' and there was one of

these Latino organizations that had nominated me or selected me for a lifetime achievement award for all of my accomplishments in television. I thought it was really weird because I just felt really lucky to be on a hit TV show, you know what I mean?

"I had never gone to anything like this before. I was given the night off — it was very last minute

— and Donald Faison, who played my boyfriend-slash-husband on the show, was asked to come with me. And my now-husband in real life also came as my date.

"I wasn't really sure what the event was, or what the organization was for, except that it honored Latinos for their all their achievements in the business. And I thought I was going to walk

'Still/Here' peers into the future of Chicago

Show asks audiences to imagine the city's post-apocalyptic state

BY NICOLE BLACKWOOD

Free Street Theater's "Still/Here: Manifestos for Joy and Survival" begins at the end; in the opening of the show, the apocalypse has arrived in Chicago. Ensemble members serve as the city's final log, walking histories of what would otherwise be forgotten: protests, activists, Dyke March, Jimmy's Red Hots, what it meant to be Mexican in a city that kept changing. Melissa DuPrey, the show's producer, said that watching the scene made her cry, its urgency cathartic, terrifying and certainly not imagined. The city burned once, she said; what would happen if it burned again?

"As a Chicagoan, I don't know if I can live here anymore," DuPrey said. As rent prices increase and communities become increasingly gentrified, she said "it's all about our survival."

Though the opening is one vignette of many that comprise the show, it establishes broader themes. "Still/Here," which will be part of Night Out in the Parks beginning Thursday, is the culmination of Free Street's 50th anniversary programming and the end result of a 10-month production process. Interviews with over 400 Chicago community members and stories from the ensemble were incorporated to form a communally-devised piece of theater meant to start conversation. The questions director Coya Paz began the process with were deceptively simple: what does your joy require? What does your survival require?

From there, other questions were devised, patterns parsed and established, all broadly related to the idea of displacement and what remains after a community is gone. Individuals in Humboldt Park view development differently than those in Logan Square, and all had specific stories of what they miss (many related to restaurants long gone). Stories contradicted and overlapped, and each was deeply personal, a patchwork quilt of Chicago past and present, future unknown.

"There were points in this process where I felt so overwhelmed and lost, because we were hearing hundreds of stories of people saying: 'The place I

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Hebru Brantley's "Chi Boy" mural at 1132 S. Wabash Ave., was the first of several to join the Wabash arts corridor in the South Loop.

'FLYBOY' GETS HIS OWN PARK

Neo-futuristic art installation coming this fall to Nevermore Park in Pilsen

BY DARCEL ROCKETT

What is it like creating a pop culture mainstay, an image whose iconic persona resonates on walls of buildings in your hometown, sits in celebrities' homes, and is shown in art shows like Miami Beach's Art Basel? Chicago graffiti-artist-turned-painter Hebru Brantley learned the answer to those questions when his character "Flyboy" — the aviator-goggle-wearing kid — took off (literally and figuratively).

The 38-year-old "kid from the South Side of Chicago" introduced "Flyboy" to the world about seven or eight years ago, when he started incorporating the kids with goggles into his artwork. What started as someone sort of playing in the background or as part of an underpainting slowly built to characters with top billing, Brantley said.

Now, Flyboy will have an entire park named after him on the southwest side of Pilsen this fall. Nevermore Park's almost 6,000-square-foot of space will house an interactive art installation that takes visitors into the fictional hometown of Flyboy and Lil Mama. The space

will be a neo-futuristic take on Chicago — where black culture and heroes are at the forefront. The endeavor, a partnership with MWM Universe and Angry Hero, will be a ticketed experience with a limited run. The narrative-driven installation is about "that sense of child-like wonder, that sense of empowerment over power," according to Brantley.

"That's what a lot of this is about. It's keeping that sense of wonder, holding on to it past the point of childhood into adulthood and passing that on to your children for generations to come," he said.

Diana Williams, executive vice presi-

dent of creative at Madison Wells Media Universe (MWMU), said don't confuse this project with a gallery pop-up. She says it's a space that will be pushing the idea of "art is for everyone" through a storytelling lens.

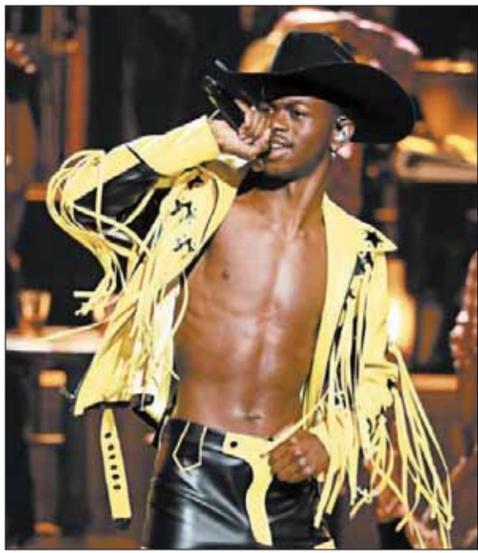
"We've been working with Hebru over the last year with the continuation of his art and we just came upon an idea on how we can bring his current fans into this world, a type of installation in which you can walk in and you can create your own story and feelings with the pieces that we have provided and the interactivity was a great way to introduce people to the world we're building," she said.

We talked with Brantley — a man with a brand, a fan of Raphael of the "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," and artist of "The Watch," a pop sculpture that pays homage to the African American military aviators who fought in World War II

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Lil Nas X's country-trap song "Old Town Road" has topped Billboard's Hot 100 chart for 17 weeks.

Lil Nas X breaks '96 Billboard record

It's one sweet day for Lil Nas X: The breakthrough rapper's viral "Old Town Road" has broken the Billboard record set by Mariah Carey's "One Sweet Day" for most weeks at No. 1.

Lil Nas X accomplishes the feat this week as his country-trap song spends its 17th week on top of the Hot 100 chart. Carey and Boyz II Men's duet set the record in 1996, and the only song to come close to breaking it was the ubiquitous international hit "Despacito," which tied the 16-week record in 2017.

"YEEE TF HAWWWW," Lil Nas X tweeted Monday. Hours later he posted a video thanking his fans for helping his song set a new record.

"I'm on the toilet right now, but I want to say thank you to every single person who has made this moment possible for me. We just broke the record for the longest-running No. 1 song of all-time," said Lil Nas X, sporting a cowboy hat as he played "Old Town Road" in the background. "Let's go!"

"Old Town Road," which has achieved most of its success through audio streaming, was originally a solo song but 20-year-old Lil Nas X added Billy Ray Cyrus to the track. The song also has remix versions featuring Diplo, Young Thug, Mason Ramsey and BTS, and Billboard counts the original song and its remixes as one when calculating chart position, thus helping "Old Town Road" stay on top.

"Old Town Road" initially was in a bit of controversy in March when Billboard removed it from its country charts, deeming it not country enough (it peaked at No. 19 on the country charts). But the drama didn't hurt the song; it only propelled it.

— Associated Press



VALERIE MACON/GETTY-AFF

Guilty: Jurors who found that Katy Perry and her team improperly copied her 2013 hit "Dark Horse" will now decide how much they owe Christian rapper Marcus Gray and his co-writers. On Monday, the jury of nine unanimously found that "Dark Horse" was copied from the 2009 song "Joyful Noise."

Not guilty? A\$AP Rocky pleaded not guilty as he went on trial for assault Tuesday in Sweden, where he has spent nearly a month in jail and whose legal troubles caught the attention of U.S. President Donald Trump. The rapper, whose real name is Rakim Mayers, and two men thought to be members of his entourage are accused of beating a 19-year-old man in Stockholm on June 30.

2 kids max: In an interview with primatologist Jane Goodall for British Vogue, Prince Harry said he and wife Meghan will have no more than two children, and that becoming a father has changed his perspective. "I view it differently now, without question," he said, adding that destruction of the environment was "terrifying": "We are already living in it. We are the frog in the water and it's already been brought to the boil."

July 31 birthdays: Actress Susan Flannery is 80. Actress Geraldine Chaplin is 75. Singer Gary Lewis is 74. Actor Barry Van Dyke is 68. Actor Dirk Blocker is 62. Drummer Bill Berry is 61. Actor Wesley Snipes is 57. Musician Fatboy Slim is 56. Author J.K. Rowling is 54. Actor Dean Cain is 53. Actor Robert Telfer is 42. Country singer Zac Brown is 41. Actor B.J. Novak is 40. Rapper Lil Uzi Vert is 25. Actor Rico Rodriguez is 21.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Couple reflects on pre-Roe ordeal

Dear Amy: Back before we were married — in the 1960s (pre-Roe v. Wade), my wife and I borrowed \$500 and went to a small dusty town on the other side of the Arizona-Mexico border to get an abortion. The "clinic" was tiny. It only had screens for windows. Our journey was not without risk and danger.

Among other experiences, we remember having to stand under the sweltering sun after the procedure while border patrolmen meticulously searched our car for drugs.

However, unlike some other friends in similar circumstances, the outcome was OK for us.

While we have never regretted our decision, we have never shared it with our closest friends of the last 50 years, or with our children or grandchildren. We planned to always keep this private — until now, when a woman's right to choose is under full assault. No one should have to go through what we and many others went through in order to end an unplanned and unwanted pregnancy.

Should we share our experience in support of women's rights and risk the fallout or continue to keep this private?
— In a Quandary

Dear Quandary: I am, with your permission, publishing your statement, where it will be seen by millions. I applaud your choice to speak as a couple who chose abortion and then went on to have a family together, without regrets. I hope you as a couple will hold hands and personally disclose this to your family. Younger mem-

bers may not grasp the real-world consequences of restricting and outlawing abortion, and your experience taking on the risks of an illegal abortion may help them understand the stakes.

Dear Amy: My boyfriend and I have been together for two years and have lived together for almost a year. Things have been great, but I feel there's been a shift recently.

Although I have a set schedule and my boyfriend does not, we typically go to bed together at the same time. However, lately he has stayed up later than he normally does while I head to bed alone. This is getting under my skin. Before, he might have stayed up later once or twice a month. But in the past couple of weeks it has been three to five times a week. He says he wants to stay up later because he often comes home later than I do.

However, when we don't go to bed together, our love life falters. There is a lot of intimacy in sharing a bed with a loved one, and I have felt robbed of that lately. It has started to affect my self-confidence.

I have brought this to his attention, but he says he didn't realize the change and doesn't feel anything is lacking in our relationship.
Am I overreacting?
— Sleeping Alone

Dear Sleeping Alone: Any time you and your partner experience a major change in your habits, your relationship will change, too. Not going to bed together up to five times a week qualifies as a major change, even if your boyfriend won't acknowl-

edge it. One partner suddenly staying up frequently after the other goes to bed at night is on a short list of red flags that could signify trouble for you two. (Other red flags are mysterious texting/calling at odd hours or spending lots of extra time at work or at the gym).

Your boyfriend might not feel that anything is lacking in your relationship, but you do. He should acknowledge this and, if he wants to keep your relationship on track, you two should quite simply spend more quality time together, including at night.

Dear Amy: I am a psychotherapist and work with lots of teens. A great resource for "Tired Mom" might be the book "How to Talk So Teens Will Listen & Listen So Teens Will Talk" by Adele Faber and Elaine Mazlish (2006, William Morrow). This guide is written by two moms, easy to read, and contains lots of illustrations.

I enjoy your column!
— Julie

Dear Julie: "Tired Mom" was dealing with an uncooperative, uncommunicative teen. She wondered if she could just skip the teen years altogether.

Given that skipping this important and challenging parenting phase is not advisable, or possible, I agree that "How to Talk ..." will be a useful guide.

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"STUNNING! A genuine gob-smacking Belgian mirrored tent inside a long-lost Masonic Hall in the Chicago Loop"
— Chris Jones, Chicago Tribune

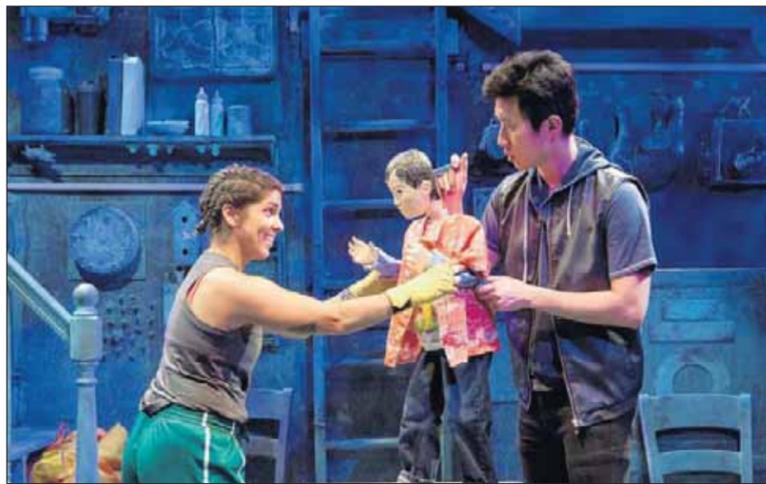
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Isa Arciniegas and Dan Lin perform in the Gift Theatre's production of "Wolf Play."

IN PERFORMANCE 'WOLF PLAY' ★★ 1/2

A boy's adoptive family pushes him aside in Gift production

By CHRIS JONES

Ever had that nightmare in which your parents were planning to sell you off?

In Hansol Jung's "Wolf Play" — a deeply resonant work from one of the American theater's most complex new voices — a young Asian boy's adoptive American family decides to "relocate" him after they themselves become pregnant. A father takes to the Internet to engage in that task; no wonder the kid decides to find refuge in a lupine persona. Who wants their fate to be decided by Facebook?

Jung, who was born in South Korea and lived in various spots around the world before landing in graduate school at Yale University, is interested not just in the dynamic of a family, the landscape of most young American playwrights, but in the experience of actually being shifted to a different family altogether. Her newish play, which was developed here in Chicago at Victory Gardens but premiered at Artists Rep in Portland, Ore., is exceptionally interesting: it probes the idea of dislocation on

When: Through Aug. 18

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many levels and will be especially resonant not just to anyone with experience as an international adoptee but as an immigrant or as a refugee. You might think of this is a coloring book: most writers concern themselves with the shading between the lines but in "Wolf Play," the boundaries themselves offer the leading character no stability whatsoever.

Given all of that, it's disappointing that the play's Chicago premiere at Gift Theatre, a company known for paying attention to the actor's inner life, does not range deeper in its probing of this work. There are a few problems in director Jess McLeod's production. For one thing, the set, designed by Arnel Sancianco, seems to trap itself in just one section of the Gift's famous wide stage, rising vertically but not really out to meet the audi-

ence. The biggest issue is that too much of the performance is overplayed.

That's an easy mistake to make in a small theater — but the impact of over-the-top acting is to make the characters seem more shallow than they're actually written. Jung posits a group of flawed people who are doing what they think is their best; if everyone is shouting at each other, the dialog becomes shrill and flows anywhere but straight into the heart.

That said, there are some cool things here. The titular leading character, played by Dan Lin, also is represented by a very impressive puppet, as designed by Stephanie Diaz, although it's not used to its full potential. And among the leading actors, Isa Arciniegas comes closest to really exploring the emotional stakes present in this rich piece of theater. What's most needed here are more human truths, honestly expressed. It's all right there in Jung's writing.

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Nature docs the greatest art of our time

Inside looks breathtaking on many levels

BY SEBASTIAN SMEE
The Washington Post

The dentist I went to as a child had posters of Impressionist paintings on the ceiling. I remember lying back and gazing through my discomfort and pain at a thronging lunch party by Renoir, a Degas ballerina, and a sunlit field of poppies by Monet.

There were no such posters on my recent trip to the dentist. Instead, high on the wall, a flat-screen TV played “Planet Earth II,” a 2016 BBC Earth documentary narrated by David Attenborough. Looking through plastic goggles past the assistant’s latex-covered hands, I could see a shaggy sloth swim across turquoise waters, then a Komodo dragon dragging its slaloming tail through the mud, strings of bloody saliva dangling from its maw.

Did all this help with my dread of the dentist’s chair?

Actually, it did. I was astonished, and therefore distracted. But I was also provoked into an insight.

Just as the Impressionist paintings reproduced on my old dentist’s ceiling were enduring artworks reduced by overfamiliarity to kitschy clichés, the best nature documentaries deserve to be rescued from overfamiliarity. We should stop taking them for granted and see them for



BBC 2016

A scene from “Planet Earth II”: Sloths are adept swimmers, as this pygmy three-toed sloth demonstrates. Found on the tiny island of Escudo de Veraguas, Panama, it’s the smallest of all sloth species and is considered endangered.

what they are. They are great art. Maybe the greatest of our time.

I realize the claim sounds odd. After all, they weren’t really intended as high art. They’re television documentaries. They were created primarily to educate and to entertain. And yet a lot of things we now display in our museums and think of as art were never intended as such. African carvings. Russian icons. Minoan ceramics. Egyptian statues.

Cathedrals, too, like Notre Dame, Chartres or Rouen, were never intended as art. They were houses of God; they had no single creator; they were communal efforts. Yet there is widespread consensus that Europe’s cathedrals were the greatest artistic creations of the Middle Ages, and among the most awesome in human history.

I’m not seriously trying to compare cathedrals and

nature documentaries. But at the very least, both inspire awe.

The best nature documentaries — and I’m thinking especially of those narrated by Attenborough for the BBC — are great on their own terms — and I’ll say why in a moment. But they’re great in this important sense, too: Like those Impressionist paintings, they are ahead of their time. We are not yet ready to see them from the perspective of the future.

But soon we will be.

Over the course of my lifetime — I’m 46 — the planet has lost more than half of its wildlife populations, according to the World Wildlife Fund. Given the devastating speed at which our collective actions continue to lay waste to the oceans, destroy forests, raise temperatures and cause calamitous drops in biodiversity, the best nature documentaries will

be looked back on, I believe, as the most poignant, profound and devastatingly clear-eyed artifacts of our era.

Consider “Planet Earth II.” In the first episode alone, we see agile green-eyed lemurs leaping and dancing through the Madagascar desert. Shortly after, a spiny-backed marine iguana dives down to graze on red seaweed. Then, as it dries out on a rock, it is patiently exfoliated by sunset-colored crabs. Next, and most dramatic of all, we watch Galapagos racer snakes with periscope heads slither out from behind hot rocks and speed toward just-hatched iguanas that try to scamper to safety. Some succeed. Others don’t.

The drama is intense. So are the settings. Volcanoes spew molten lava into the night air. Livid oceans pound against rock ledges strewn with penguins. Clouds course across island skies. The shapes, the forms, the color, the movement — you couldn’t invent it. But this is reality. This stuff is happening every day.

In the next episode, which is about mountains, we are set down beside a howling snow leopard high on a Himalayan ridge. We then watch Nubian ibex cavorting on vertical cliffs in the Arabian Peninsula, before finding ourselves perched behind the head of a golden eagle as it speed-skates along Alpine thermals.

On it goes. There is hardly a shot where you

don’t wonder at the courage, patience, technical ingenuity, artistic vision and unearthly luck that must all have conspired to produce each three-second piece of footage.

But it’s not just the imagery. These 50-minute programs are marvels of editing and narrative pacing. They induce wonder. They switch from the micro to the macro — from insect eggs to cloud-swept vistas — with Brueghelian virtuosity. And they are alive to light, color, shape and form in ways that are both commensurate with their subject — nature itself — and like nothing else on film.

That is why I think we will look back on series including “Life on Earth,” “The Blue Planet,” and “Planet Earth” as profound testaments not only to what our planet was like before the sea was choked by plastic and the animals we revered became extinct, but also to what some of us were capable of creatively.

The problem these documentaries face is that, like Monet, Degas and co., they are cursed by popularity. Thanks to cable TV and streaming services, BBC Earth documentaries can feel ubiquitous. Their style of cinematography is widely imitated. To many, they have become the visual equivalent of elevator muzak — over-familiar, glibly beautiful, mindlessly soothing. It can be difficult to muster up the mental steam to see them afresh.

But then, it’s also hard to

really see a Degas ballerina, as opposed to merely nodding with complacent recognition. When we see these pictures for what they really are, we notice that Degas rarely shows the glamour and polish of actual performances and instead shows girls in rehearsal, stretching their sore backs and bending awkwardly over their shoes. Always a realist, never a romantic, Degas was demonstrating how unrelievedly exhausting it was to be a young dancer in 19th-century Paris. The girls he painted earned so little that many were forced into prostitution. We are wrong to romanticize these pictures.

Likewise, the greatest nature documentaries, for all their surface beauty, show us phenomena that can be hard to face. They show us a world that is incandescently beautiful one moment and shockingly indifferent, openly malignant the next. They reveal that life on this planet is magnificently diverse, but also precarious and in deep, deep peril. And they remind us that nature is not “over there,” but right here, all around us, and although there are desperate problems everywhere, there is only one global, existential emergency.

“Literature shines with its maximum phosphorescence when it is about to die,” Roland Barthes wrote. Perhaps it is the same with nature documentaries. And perhaps it is the same with nature itself.

ANALYSIS

Will our museums in the future study our migrant cages?

BY PHILIP KENNICOTT
Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The little we’ve seen of the migrant detention centers along our southern border suggests that they are a disposable architecture, temporary and provisional. They are mere shells of buildings, sometimes no more than tents full of chain-link cages and barren concrete holding cells. When the crisis is over, perhaps they will mostly disappear, along with the painful shock to the American conscience of unattended children crying in despair as grim-faced politicians tour what are effectively American concentration camps.

A small but powerful exhibition at the Hirshhorn Museum, however, challenges the idea that any of this will go away and asserts the power of architectural memory against the forces of oblivion or indifference. First seen at the Venice Architecture Biennale in 2016, “The Evidence Room” is full of white plaster casts, some of them low-relief images of Nazi-era documents and photographs, others life-size reproductions of architectural and design elements essential to the operation of the gas chambers at Auschwitz. The installation is based on the research of its co-creator, Robert Jan van Pelt, who marshaled architectural details to discredit a prominent Holocaust denier’s claims in a famous libel case in London in 2000.

Van Pelt has called the design and making of Auschwitz “the greatest crime ever committed by architects,” and “The Evidence Room” provides a clear sense of how architects were involved and why they were needed. Killing people on an industrial scale required an industrial apparatus, which meant not just gas chambers and crematoria, but also thousands of small decisions about how those buildings would function. Would doors open inward or outward? How would guards see into the gas chambers? How would the gas pellets be delivered into the killing rooms?

By gathering that kind of

evidence — gleaned from the testimony of survivors, architectural drawings and plans, and physical evidence the Nazis failed to destroy as Soviet forces approached the camps in late 1944 — van Pelt made Auschwitz tangible, and its place in history irrefutable. “The Evidence Room” reproduces some of this material — including the door of a gas chamber — in white plaster, a material with a long history in museums, including as the preferred medium for casts of classic statues from Ancient Greece and Rome. The plaster is ghostly but also comes with the morally fraught resonance of being pure and hallowed, a medium that seems to set truth before our eyes like the images on a Wedgwood vase, the frieze on a classical temple, or a spotless laboratory full of glass and metal glinting under bright light.

The architectural details, including a ladder and door for delivering gas pellets and a metal tube with wire mesh that defused the gas, foreground the idea of intentionality: Someone designed, planned and made these things for a specific purpose. Holocaust deniers will claim that legitimate historians misinterpret the purpose or function of an architectural space, that an underground gas chamber was, for example, just an air raid shelter. But by focusing on purely functional details, the curators of “The Evidence Room” draw the visitor ever deeper into the grim realities of a killing factory.

The door reproduced here originally opened inward when the room was used as a morgue. But when it was a gas chamber, the door had to be retrofitted to open outward because there were thousands of bodies blocking it from swinging into the room. And the wire mesh door on the inside of the door covering the glass peep hole? That was necessary to prevent the victims from breaking the glass as they fought against panic, the pain of the gas and their imminent deaths.

The chain of these details also leads the visitor to the enduring and searing shame of Nazi genocide:

that much of German society was mobilized to perpetrate it and that it could not have happened without innumerable small but vital contributions from seemingly ordinary people. Contemplation of this heavy wooden door, with massive sliding-bar locks and reinforced with metal, leads inexorably to a visceral realization of exactly what it meant to “just follow orders.” Architects, designers, craftsmen, workers, metal fabricators and other laborers all participated in making these spaces function. Some of these actors had more choice in the matter than others. Too many, though, especially at the organizational end of the production process, knew exactly what they were doing. They used their skills and talents to get a job done, and that job was killing millions of people.

“The Evidence Room” arrives in Washington at a critical moment in the degradation of America. The United States is operating detention centers on its southern border that are dangerously crowded, unhealthy and inhumane, according to independent observers. Cells meant for 40 men now hold more than 80, according to a report by the Department of Homeland Security’s inspector general. Inmates held for weeks in standing-room-only cells press desperate notes to the windows when visitors come to see the horrific conditions in which they are captive.

Children, many impris-

oned long after legal time limits on their detention, show signs of malnutrition, dehydration and psychological trauma. The United Nations high commissioner for human rights, Michelle Bachelet, who is also a pediatrician, has deplored the centers, saying they “may constitute cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment that is prohibited by international law,” according to a U.N. statement.

“The Evidence Room” implicates architects, and those who execute their designs, in the mass murder of the Nazi era. Its visual indictment of cruel but functional architecture is particularly poignant as an American humanitarian crisis is intentionally exacerbated and politicized, as organizations such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement are made instruments not of state power, but of the personal ideology of President Donald Trump and his anti-immigrant advisers.

As we learn that Border Patrol agents routinely expressed overt racism in social media groups, the message of “The Evidence Room” is particularly bracing — and empowering. The atrocities committed by the Nazis are orders of magnitude worse than what is happening at the southern border today. But watching this country set up a complex and largely inaccessible network of detention facilities, while its political leaders animate racist discourse, makes a careful comparison of the two carceral regimes not

only meaningful, but necessary.

Despite resistance to such comparisons, including by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (the “Museum unequivocally rejects efforts to create analogies between the Holocaust and other events”), the points of contact are manifold. There is a consistent vilification of the “other,” including American citizens, elected representatives and people of color who were born in this country. There is a conflation of lies and truth to create a miasma of misinformation, and a stoking of racial and religious grievance to solidify political animosities. And, equally as troubling, there is a personalization of politics and power at the executive level. The detention centers themselves are not just a response to an increase in migrant arrivals and asylum seekers, but also a key tool in terrifying and disempowering the politically dispossessed and refugees from seeking haven in this country.

“The Evidence Room,” however, encourages the audience to go beyond such political comparisons, between one of the most murderous regimes in the history of mankind and a democratic country that faces a mortal crisis of its own professed values. Instead, it reasserts the long arc of memory and flashes a warning to those who participate in inhumane state policies. History is reconstructed from shards, scraps and dispa-

rate pieces, and though conscience may fail a society in the moment, it will inevitably be reasserted in the long run.

Among other things, the Hirshhorn exhibit encourages us to ask: Who made these gray detention rooms in which Vice President Mike Pence stood, in his khakis and blue blazer, while unwashed men crowded up to stick their fingers through the chain-link fences? Who laid the concrete floors and benches upon which they struggle to find space to sleep, with no bedding, blankets or pillows? Who installed the industrial-size roll-up metal doors and fixed an unintentionally sardonic “Exit” sign seen just behind Pence, as the president’s foremost apologist stood ashen-faced, staring straight ahead, seemingly not focusing on anything at a facility that was apparently so foul smelling that it nauseated visitors?

All of these are markers of intentionality, albeit small ones when compared with the businesses that directly profit from the more than \$2 billion that ICE spends on private jails for migrants. “The Evidence Room” reminds us that seemingly small details can implicate seemingly neutral actors long after they have participated in an event, and with almost as much as power as the direct testimony of survivors. It invites us to look closely, and with forensic determination, at the mundane, trivial and functional.



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“The Evidence Room” is on display at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden in Washington through Sept. 8.

Park

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— about what the space will entail and just how the Flyboy Universe franchise will get. The interview has been condensed and edited.

Q: You mention narrative. What will we discover about Flyboy? Will Nevermore feature his origin story?

Brantley: Nevermore is a (fictional) area on the Southeast Side of Chicago that's a bit overly stylized and hyper-embellished, and that's the stomping ground of our main characters and that's where our stories sort of take place. The installation is just putting the audience, submerging them in that world for however long that they want to get pictures, stand and travel through and engage in that space.

I don't think that we're leaning in a sort of formulaic origin story mindset or mentality, I think that it's more just about giving the fans more — more to explore, more to see, more to participate in. And for those that aren't familiar, it's a good jumping-off point. I want to change the sort of negative feeling that people get when it comes to them engaging with the art world, less art theory in a way that things are so subjective that your average person won't or can't relate if they're not coming from that space.

With this, it's about something that feels relatable, it's about your childhood, it's about imagination, it's about limitations or lack thereof. It's created with the intent to make those people share in that most sought-after drug, which is nostalgia. It gives you a sense of that, I think. So those who either grew up with heroes that were on baseball fields, football fields, basketball courts or heroes that were on comic book pages or in cartoon strips, it encapsulates a lot of that.

Q: What will we walk through and see as we walk through the park?

Brantley: Some of the locations within the installation are real places in Chicago, but through the installation are a little bit more embellished like Pullman Station, for example. I love the idea of revisionist history (being able to take things that existed and you know, kind of tweak them to suit the needs of the storyteller)



A 2018 mural by artist Hebru Brantley on Wood Street at the corner of Milwaukee Avenue on the Northwest Side.



An artist's rendering of the Train Car, left, and the Cloud Room, right, in Nevermore Park.

and for Pullman, my grandparents and uncle lived over by Pullman, so I was over there all the time — my grandfather constantly giving me the history of that neighborhood and importance of that neighborhood — more than I probably wanted as a kid, but as an adult it sort of served me well and it found a way into my tales. The point of this whole thing is to take some of those things that were important to me and that were important to African American history and culture within Chicago — the DuSables of it all, the Pullman Stations of it all — and using those in a clever way in which to tell the tale.

Q: Was this something fans were requesting to see or more of an idea

whose time was way overdue?

Brantley: I think it's a combination of a few things: This is the first time that there is any sort of prescribed narrative to Flyboy period, let alone the universe that we're sort of creating and establishing in this installation. I've done art exhibitions, but I wanted to sort of do something a little bit different than your conventional, traditional sort of art exhibitions ... to do something that's a bit more engaging, a bit more interactive, and giving those people that follow the world and the character that I've created an opportunity to engage on sort of a bigger level. Another huge part of that was Chicago. I still feel it gets a little underserved with some of

these events, and I'm Chicago through and through (I bleed for it), so what better place to start this next leg of the journey than sort of where it started.

Q: The project specifies the installation as a "reimagining of Black folklore" and looking at superheroes from a different perspective. What does something like this do in reshaping folklore? How will Nevermore Park add to that narrative?

Brantley: I think one of the biggest things is that it's coming from the mind and the mouth of a black creator and a black creative team where this is something about us and by us. And it's not in a fake place — it is the South Side of Chicago, it is a space that

already exists. It may have some embellished moments or things that happened, but ultimately, a lot of this comes from my experience growing up in Chicago. It comes from the stories that my grandmothers and my aunts would tell me — whether true or false, but again it's that Black folklore, it's these wives' tales, these levels of superstition that come and are sort of embedded in our culture. There's some real interesting field to mow with a lot of the stuff that I grew up with, again from the sort of more ridiculous side to the more serious, but real stuff that I was told as a kid or came up with.

These characters were created first, and appreciated and grew a fandom strictly off the aesthetics — people were coming to see

the art work, not knowing the narrative, the backstory, the origin of the character but identifying with the essence of who that character was to a point where they felt like a part of their journey was being told through these paintings and I was speaking directly to them. Ultimately, it's a hero's tale. To me, it feels like it's very prevalent, especially right now.

Q: Flyboy's universe keeps getting better. Will we ultimately be in a Marvel-esque related situation where Flyboy and Lil Mama will be everywhere — video games, Netflix?

Brantley: That would be amazing. I have plans to grow these characters' world as large as I can possibly grow them. The Marvels of the world, the "Star Wars" of the world — that would be phenomenal. We just all have to wait and see.

Q: Is the plan for this to be taken on tour across the country when it leaves Chicago?

Brantley: My main focus with this whole thing is just to give Chicago something that we don't normally get or get a first crack at — to engage with Chicagoans, to get enough eyes and to get enough youth out there to sort of show them this other way and show them it's OK to use your imagination more because I did and this is what it got me.

Q: We need more spaces to tell our story, and it seems like Nevermore Park is doing just that. What are your thoughts on that?

Brantley: I totally agree and I think this is definitely a part of that journey. I'm not waiting, nor asking for that permission to tell my story, to do a thing. I'm sort of making a way to tell my story when and how I want to and be in control of that narrative myself. I hope that this also inspires others to do the same thing. A lot of people sort of wait to have those people help and tell them when they need to tell their stories or when they need to engage at a certain point and with me, that's never really been my Motive Operandi.

You can sign up to receive pre-sale ticket information at nevermorepark.com. Updates will be provided via [@flyboyuniverse](https://twitter.com/flyboyuniverse).

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Future

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grew up with does not exist anymore," Paz said. More than one person told her that what they wanted more than anything for Chicago was a place where their children could play outside.

Dramatizing these narratives was the challenge. Some stories found their way into dialogue, others a creative framework; in one vignette, contestants play a game show, desperately trying to find affordable housing before the buzzer goes off. The set itself is built of multicolored papers, writing from audiences of Free Street's pop-up performances who answered Paz's questions.

The intention is to form what Paz described as living, breathing "public scholarship," a way for audience and performers to bear witness to each other in a theatrical space outside of a formal theater. This is the constant model of Free Street, but resonates particularly on its anniversary.

"It's been enlightening to hear the many different voices around the city and what brings them joy, and to invoke those voices," said ensemble member Char Lee. "It's a gift to be able to do that for people who may not be able to do that themselves."

Paz hopes the community of the show will grow as the performance goes on; the play is intentionally accessible, formed so that at any point, someone walking past the park can



Ensemble members rehearse for "Still/Here," which explores manifestos of survival and joy, according to director Coya Paz.

When: 6 p.m. Thursday, 3 p.m. Saturday

Where: Cornell Square (Thursday), Walsh Park (Saturday)

Tickets: Free; freestreet.org

stop by and understand what's happening. The intention is to perform truth and to generate authentic conversation, neither of which are necessarily comfortable.

"The work we do at Free Street is hyper-local," DuPrey said. "It's what your neighbors are going through, so it implicates our audiences in some really vulnerable ways. We might be asking someone to reflect on whether or

not they are contributing to someone's oppression that might be right next to them."

Though the show, being devised theater, has no traditional narrative arc, its themes are an emotional arc unto themselves. Dramaturg Tanuja Jagernauth said that the show starts "in a place of urgency and danger," but Paz stressed that the performance finds joy as well, reminding the audience that Chicago did burn down and built back up; how individuals build from here is the remaining question. There's grief in what's no longer present, but there's joy in grieving, too, in having the space to do it.

"We're constantly grieving as we're building, and

there's not a lot of time to acknowledge and grieve what was there before," Jagernauth said. "It just gets covered up."

The show ends with memories, stacked upon one another. Ensemble members reflect on what remains of the things that used to exist: stone pillars from a train station, a favorite shop. It's a litany, but not an obituary. The apocalypse may be here, but in the show's language of resistance and resilience, nothing is ever fully dead.

"All of those things are still here in our memories," Paz said. "We remember that that was here, so it's not entirely gone."

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Moment

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"And I'm sweating and my ears are ringing and (ugh) I just flipped out and found myself completely mute and just said thank you and there was that sparse pity applause (laughs) and I walked away and wanted to disappear.

"Afterward Donald came up to me: 'Are you high? Did you smoke?' I was like, 'No! I just didn't know I would have to make a speech.'"

"I didn't take the award or myself seriously enough — or what I was doing seriously enough, or what I had accomplished seriously enough — until after that moment. I didn't understand or know that you prepare for these kind of events."

Sometimes things that seem embarrassing aren't as noticeable to people around you.

"Oh, they noticed."

"I mean, I don't think anybody remembers. I've been here in LA now for 15 years and there have been a lot of Latino and Hispanic events where we proudly come together to celebrate each other — the veterans and the new people — and I get to see Andy Garcia and Jimmy Smits and interact with them and no, they've never mentioned it (laughs)."

"But Donald gave me (grief) about it for years, which is humbling and a good way to get over something like that. And a great way to remind yourself to better prepare."

The takeaway ...

"That I am talented — that's the reason I got the job — and that people do watch and appreciate what I do.

"And also: People's time is precious and valuable and you should treat it as such. If you're accepting an invitation or accepting an award, it's important to receive it with gratitude and prepare words of kindness — at the very least for your own self but also for the people who have taken time to attend and celebrate you.

"But not only that, it was about working through my over sense of humility. It's OK to celebrate myself and say, 'This is great, I feel really proud of myself,' instead of saying, 'I don't deserve to be here.' I felt completely unworthy at the time because I was just so new.

"A hundred percent it felt like imposter syndrome, that's the first place my mind goes. I was like, 'What the ... am I doing here?' I just didn't understand and I didn't feel like I belonged there. And that wasn't true. And it wasn't fair to the people who gave me the award or to myself.

"And looking back, that was a disservice to me. Since then I got the ALMA (American Latino Media Arts) award, so I had a little joke prepared and my thank-you prepared. I was very ready to be brief and grateful should I win, and I was. And I was funny! And I was quick! And it was great."

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WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Mark Wahlberg

“Wahlburgers” (9:01 p.m., 1:04 a.m., AE): This unscripted series about life among a family that includes celebrity siblings Mark and Donnie Wahlberg calls it a day after 10 seasons with a finale called “Wahlburgers Comes Home,” as the clan prepares to realize their dream of opening a restaurant branch in their hometown of Dorchester, Mass. Donnie gives Paul a professional makeover for the event, with help from some of his “Blue Bloods” colleagues.

“Extinct or Alive: The Lost Shark” (7 p.m., 2 a.m., Discovery): Forrest Galante, a wildlife biologist and animal tracker, travels to the Indian Ocean on a search for the Pondicherry shark, a species believed by many to be extinct. Galante hopes that some of the many unidentified sharks spotted recently near Sri Lanka and in the Maldives may actually prove to be Pondicherry, but his search, with wife Jessica as part of his team, has a staggering degree of difficulty.

“Jane The Virgin” (7:59 p.m., CW): Series creator and executive producer Jennie Snyder Urman also wrote tonight’s series finale, “Chapter One Hundred,” which finds Jane and Rafael (Gina Rodriguez, Justin Baldoni) making preparations for their big day. His wish to help Jane’s writing aspirations lands Rafael in hot water, however. Elsewhere, Xo and Rogelio (Andrea Navedo, Jaime Camil) decide to share their decision with their families, news that not everyone takes well.

“Capsized: Blood in the Water” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Discovery): Josh Duhamel stars in this 2019 thriller, the first original feature-length scripted Shark Week movie, based on a real 1982 incident, wherein a yacht bound for Florida capsizes during an unexpected storm. The accident leaves the passengers in the water and clinging to a lifeboat, with one of their number injured and — oh-oh! — bleeding.

“The InBetween” (9 p.m., NBC): While Tom and Damien (Paul Blackthorne, Justin Cornwell) are investigating the murder of a vivacious young woman, Cassie (Harriet Dyer) has visions that reveal a decidedly complicated family story in the new episode “While the Song Remains the Same.” While in the InBetween, Cassie also runs into a former childhood idol and helps him correct some past wrongs.

“Snowfall” (9 p.m., 10 p.m., 12:01 a.m., FX): As the Los Angeles Police Department makes a move against Franklin’s (Damson Idris) expanding operation, he and Melody (Reign Edwards) reconnect in a new episode called “The Game That Moves as You Play.” Teddy (Carter Hudson), meanwhile, is forced to clean up the inconvenient mess Gustavo (Sergio Peris-Mencheta) left behind.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Seth Green.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Dwayne Johnson; actress Issa Rae; Eddy Grant performs.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actress Julia Louis-Dreyfus; author Steve Martorano; Of Monsters and Men performs.*

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	NBC 5	Ellen’s Game of Games © HD		Songland © HD		The InBetween (N) © HD		NBC 5 News (N) ♦	
	ABC 7	Press Your Luck: “105.” (N) © HD		Card Sharks: “106.” (N) © HD		Match Game (N) © HD		News at 10pm (N) ♦	
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	AE	Wahlburgers (N) ©		Wahlburgers (N) ©		(9:01) Wahlburgers (Series Finale) (N)		Wahlburg ♦	
	AMC	Road House (R,89) **	Patrick Swayze, Kelly Lynch. ©			(9:35) Road House **			
ANIM	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed (N)				Lone Star Law ©		Lone Star ♦		
BBCA	Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG,09) **	©			Night at the Museum ♦				
BET	♦ (5:30) Alex Cross (*12) *		Tyler Perry’s Good Deeds (PG-13,12) **		Tyler Perry. © ♦				
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BRAVO	Southern Charm ©		Southern Charm (N) ©		Southern Charm		Watch (N)		
CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics		
CNBC	Deal or No Deal ©		Deal or No Deal (N) ©		Deal or No Deal ©		Deal or No ♦		
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HIST	Forged in Fire (N)		Forged in Fire (N)		Strongest Man (N)		Forged ♦		
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic		
IFC	♦ (6:30) Tropic Thunder (R,08) ***	Ben Stiller. ©			Showcase	Showcase	Tropic T ♦		
LIFE	Married (N)	Married at First Sight (N) ©			Marrying Millions (N) ©		Married ♦		
MSNBC	All in With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)		
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show (N)		Are You the One? (N) ©		DJ Khaled	DJ Khaled	Are You ♦		
NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: New York Mets at Chicago White Sox. (N) (Live)						Postgame		
NICK	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (PG,04) ***				All That ©	Friends ©	Friends ♦		
OVATION	♦ (6) A Knight’s Tale (PG-13,01) **	Heath Ledger.			The Last of the Mohicans (*92) ***				
OWN	Queen Sugar		Queen Sugar (N)		Queen Sugar ©		Sugar ♦		
OXY	NCIS: “No Good Deed.”		NCIS: “Lost in Translation.”		NCIS: “Troll.” ©		NCIS ♦		
PARMT	♦ (6:30) Red 2 (PG-13,13) **	Bruce Willis. ©			Yellowstone (N) ©		Cowboy (N)		
SYFY	Fast & Furious (PG-13,09) **	Vin Diesel. ©			Krypton: “Mercy.” (N) ©		The Call ♦		
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full (N)	Conan ©		
TCM	Star Wars: A New Hope (PG,77) ****	Mark Hamill.			(9:15) Young Frankenstein ****	© ♦			
TLC	Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		The Family Chantel		sMothered		Unexpect. ♦		
TLN	Liberty Univ. Convocation		Diane	The Three	Life Today	Exalted	Humanit ♦		
TNT	Miss Congeniality (PG-13,00) **	Sandra Bullock.			Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (*09) **				
TOON	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick, Morty		
TRAV	UFOs: The Lost Evidence		UFOs: The Lost Evidence		Alien Highway (N) ©		Ripley’s ♦		
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Younger (N)	King	King ♦		
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Suits: “Windmills.” (N)		(9:01) Pearson (N) ©		Law-SVU ♦		
VH1	Basketball Wives (N) ©		Black Ink Crew: Chicago		Basketball Wives ©		Hip Hop ♦		
WE	Law & Order: “Harvest.”		Law & Order ©		Law & Order ©		Law ♦		
WGN America	♦ (6) The Guardian (PG-13,06) **	Kevin Costner. ©			Godzilla (PG-13,14) **	© ♦			
PREMIUM	HBO	Unmasking Jihad: John: Anatomy (N)		(8:40) Widows (R,18) ***	Viola Davis. © ♦				
	HBO2	♦ (5:40) A Star Is Born (R)		Euphoria ©		Share (R,19) Rianne Barreto. ©			
	MAX	Father Figures (R,17) * Ed Helms. ©				(8:55) Love, Simon (PG-13,18) ****			
	SHO	Total Recall (R,90) ***	Arnold Schwarzenegger.			City on a Hill ©		Ali (R) ****	
	STARZ	♦ Jumanji: Welcome		Dr. Seuss’ Horton Hears a Who! ***		Spider-Man ♦			
STZNC	♦ Tomorrow Never Dies ©		The X-Files: I Want to Believe (PG-13,08) **				Dodgeball ♦		

COMMENTARY

How TV enabled wave of populist leaders

BY ANDREW VAN DAM
Washington Post

This is a story about how the lowest common denominator of popular media paved the way for the lowest common denominator of populist politics. And it’s got data.

It begins with the opening of Italy’s airwaves, long the dominion of the highly regarded public broadcaster RAI. In the 1980s, an aggressive and unabashedly unsophisticated channel called Mediaset elbowed its way into the market and spread across the country, buying up small local channels and countering RAI’s educational mission with a heavy dose of cartoons, sports, soap operas, movies and other light entertainment.

By 1990, 49 out of 50 Italians could watch Mediaset — half of the country had gained access in just five years. These unusual events allowed a team of Italian economists to compare towns that initially had Mediaset with otherwise equivalent towns that didn’t get reception until later, and thus calculate how a few extra years of lowbrow TV can shape a society’s politics.

The results are bleak. In the American Economic Review, Ruben Durante of Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona, Paolo Pinotti of Bocconi University in Milan and Andrea Tesei of Queen Mary University of London analyze detailed broadcast-transmitter data to show that more exposure to Mediaset’s vapid programming was followed by an enduring boost in support for populist candidates peddling simple messages and easy answers.

You may think this relationship has an obvious explanation, presumably because you’re aware that Mediaset’s founder and controlling owner is noted populist politician and former Italian prime minister Silvio Berlusconi. But



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Former Italian PM and leader of the right-wing party Forza Italia Silvio Berlusconi leaves the polling station after casting his vote in Milan on May 26.

the researchers go to great lengths to prove this isn’t just a Berlusconi effect. For starters, the bump extends to his populist competitors, particularly the Five Star Movement. Founded on a comedian’s blog a decade ago, the anti-establishment movement became the biggest single party in Italy’s Parliament after last year’s election.

Television’s role in populist success apparently lies in entertainment, not in political messaging. During the period when certain areas had greater Mediaset exposure than others, neither Mediaset nor Berlusconi had entered the political fray. The researchers digitized years of old newspaper television listings to show that Mediaset offered almost three times as many hours of movies and entertainment as RAI and avoided almost all news and educational programming.

Benjamin Olken, a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who pioneered the broadcast-tower analysis used by the Italian team, said the research added to evidence that “TV that’s not explicitly about politics can have an effect on politics.”

In a 2009 analysis published in the American Economic Journal, Applied Economics, Olken analyzed differences in TV and radio signals in 606 villages on the

Indonesian island of Java to show how greater access to broadcast media corresponded with lower civic participation and lower levels of trust.

In Italy, the economists also used critics’ reviews, as well as ratings from the Motion Picture Association of America, to show Mediaset’s programming was of lower quality and less suitable for a general audience.

They found that lowbrow television’s electoral effect came with a bump of almost 10 percentage points between the two groups that watched it most: those under age 10 and those 55 and older. As they aged, the two groups would both come to support populists, albeit for different reasons.

Young people who watched Mediaset during their formative years would, Durante said, grow up to be “less cognitively sophisticated and less civically minded” than their peers who only had access to public broadcasting and local stations during that period.

Durante describes it as a matter of opportunity cost: Every hour you spend watching TV is an hour you aren’t reading, playing outside or socializing with other kids. “I’m sorry,” he said, “but that may have long-term effects on what kind of person you will become.”

On a battery of psychological and cognitive tests administered to military conscripts, young men from areas with more Mediaset exposure were between 8 percent and 25 percent more likely to earn the lowest scores. On an international test conducted in 2012, Italian adults from places where they first would have been exposed to Mediaset under the age of 10 had math and reading scores that were significantly worse than those of their peers. They were also less civically minded and less politically active.

Trashy TV’s brain-numbing effects weren’t as pronounced for Italians exposed to Mediaset later in life — researchers found their test scores were similar to their peers. Instead, their populist leanings were influenced by the news. By

the time Mediaset offered regular news programming, in the early 1990s, many older viewers had been hooked on the channel’s cheap entertainment and were much more likely to watch news offered by Mediaset than by other broadcasters.

Coverage at stations tilted toward Berlusconi in the 1994 election, soon after scandals felled the conservative government and inspired the entrepreneur-turned-populist demagogue to throw his hat in the ring. Older TV watchers were glued to the news and swept up in the campaign.

This result echoes a 2017 analysis in the same academic journal by a separate team that used variation in channel listings to calculate that Fox News gave Republicans a half-point boost in 2000, building up to a 6-

percentage-point advantage in 2008 compared with a baseline scenario in which the channel didn’t exist. They did not find a similar significant effect for MSNBC.

In Italy, it’s not that television made voters more conservative. Instead, Durante said, it seems to have made them more vulnerable to the anti-establishment stances favored by the country’s populist leaders of all persuasions.

In the ‘90s and early 2000s, Berlusconi was “well positioned to benefit from the decline in cognitive skills and civic engagement,” they write, but by 2013, he was outflanked by the insurgent Five Star Movement, whose strong rhetoric won over the Mediaset-affected voters who had once broken for Berlusconi.

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (July 31): Family, fun and romance highlight your year. Steady practice builds health, fitness and strength. Resolving a physical breakdown this summer leads to a winter energy boost, before a restful phase to consider what's next. New love surprises you next summer. Savor sweet moments together.

- Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Fall in love all over again. Enjoy blissful moments with someone sweet. Make a delightful discovery, and count your blessings. Express your gratitude freely.
- Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Fill your home with love and creature comforts. Beautify your space and garden. Share something delicious with the ones you love.
- Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 9. Make lists of what you want. It's easier to create with a clear vision. Review considerations, and choose. Sign on the dotted line.
- Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 9. Stash away something of value. Cash flow velocity increases, both in and out. Monitor results for a positive balance. You're especially persuasive.
- Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. You're getting stronger and more confident. Do what you love. Share your talents with people who appreciate them. Smile for the camera.
- Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Consider where you've been and what's ahead. Listen to others, and make your own choices. Face the truth squarely. All's well that ends well.
- Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Develop and refine your team strategy. Give and receive support. Tap into your community, and participate for the common good for love and satisfaction.
- Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. New professional doors beckon. The prizes behind them tantalize, but there's a test. Practice and hone your skills. Accolades and a rise in status are possible.
- Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Education broadens your horizons. Visit somewhere new, in person or through another's experience. Evolve your ideas through exploration. Discover rare beauty.
- Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Make sure the numbers balance before purchasing. You can work out a financial issue. Collaborate for common gain. Your ideas could get lucrative.
- Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. You and a partner can take things to a new level. Collaboration flowers with creative ideas and possibilities. Romance is a distinct possibility.
- Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. You're especially energized. Make a beautiful transformation. Physical actions get satisfying results. Practice your favorite moves. Savor time outside in nature.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

Neither vulnerable, South deals

North
 ♠ A J 10 9
 ♥ Q 8 5
 ♦ 8 6 4
 ♣ J 8 7

East
 ♠ 6
 ♥ K 6
 ♦ K J 10 9 7 2
 ♣ K Q 3 2

South
 ♠ K Q 8 4 3
 ♥ 10 9 3 2
 ♦ A 5
 ♣ A 10

North bid too much when he accepted the game invitation. 4-3-3-3 is the worst distribution in bridge and you should rarely be aggressive when holding that shape hand. On the other hand, perhaps he'd seen South play hands before, giving him extra confidence.

East overtook the opening diamond lead with the king and South took his ace. The contract was hopeless and might well go down two. South was a resourceful declarer, however, and he did his best to become a thief at the bridge table. South cashed the king of spades and led a spade to dummy's 10. He led the jack of clubs from dummy, covered with the king, and won by South's ace. A spade to dummy's ace drew the last trump and declarer led the eight of clubs from dummy, trying hard to look like a man who started with ace-10-small in clubs and was about to feast for the nine. We can argue the merits of his play, but East fell for the deception and played low. South scooped up his 10 of clubs and went after hearts. A low heart to the eight lost to the king. South ruffed the queen of clubs from East and led the 10 of hearts. With the jack of hearts in the West hand, South had 10 tricks and his contract. "I knew you could do it!" said North.

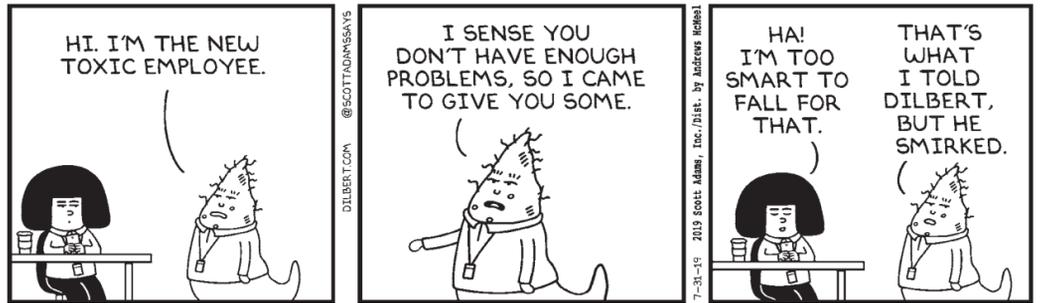
The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♠	3♦
3♥	Pass	4♠	All pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♦

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Dilbert By Scott Adams



Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



Mr. Boffo By Joe Martin



Frazz By Jef Mallett



Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz



Pickles By Brian Crane



Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



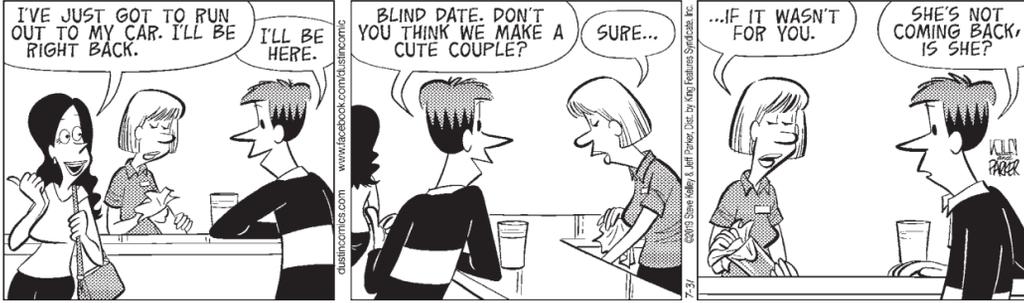
Animal Crackers By Mike Osburn



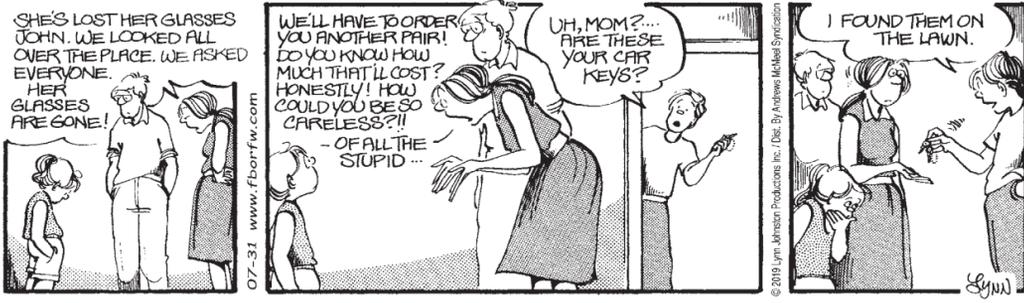
Prickly City By Scott Stantis (Prickly City is on vacation this week. Please enjoy this strip from 2012.)



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



WuMo By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey



Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



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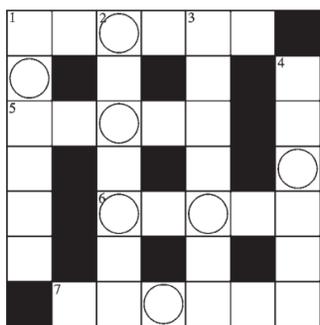
What makes Selkirk Rex cats unusual?

- A) They all have blue eyes
- B) They all have curly coats
- C) They are naturally tail-less
- D) They have black tongues

Tuesday's answer: Watermelon and raspberry replaced lemon and lime in the Life Savers Five Flavors roll.

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Jumble Crossword



CLUE: Steakhouse was founded in Tampa, Fla., in 1988.

BONUS ○○○○○○○○○○○

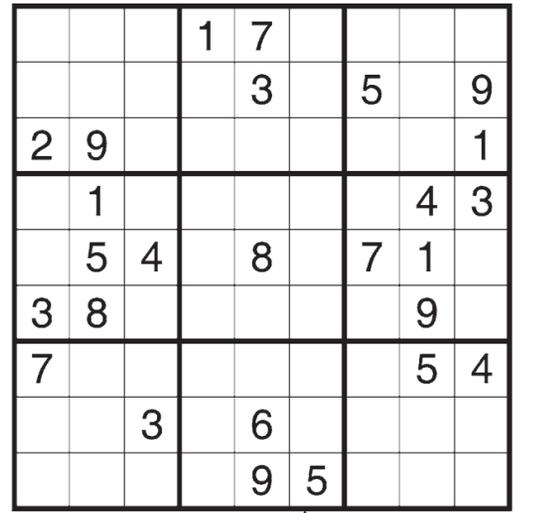
- ACROSS**
- 1. Leg bone
 - 5. Domain
 - 6. Type of sailboat
 - 7. Dull
- DOWN**
- 1. Groove
 - 2. Support, brace
 - 3. Restricted
 - 4. Lavishly

How to play - Complete the crossword by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

7/31



8	5	2	9	7	3	4	1	6
3	6	7	1	4	8	5	2	9
9	1	4	5	6	2	7	8	3
5	3	9	2	8	4	6	7	1
1	4	8	6	5	7	3	9	2
7	2	6	3	9	1	8	5	4
6	9	3	8	1	5	2	4	7
2	7	5	4	3	9	1	6	8
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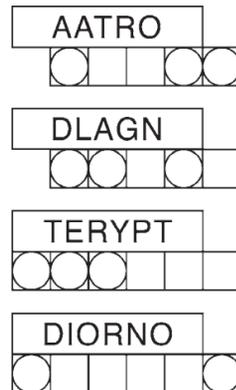
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

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



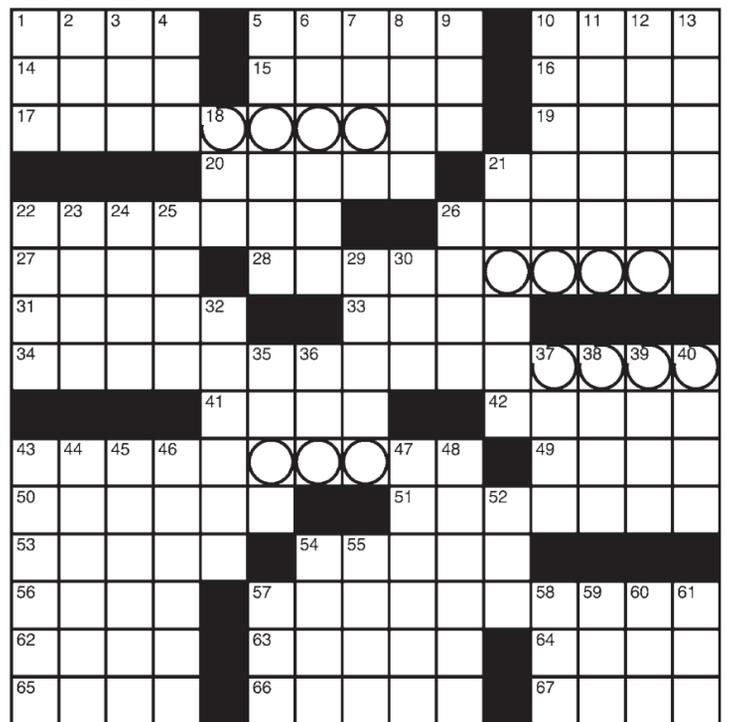
Tuesday's answers

Jumbles: ARRAY LOUSY VIOLET INFANT
Answer: When Copernicus theorized that the Earth went around the Sun, it was — REVOLUTIONARY

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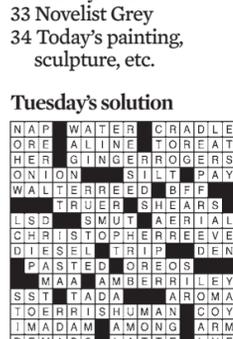
Crossword

7/31



- Across**
- 1 Gulf of California peninsula
 - 5 SLR setting
 - 10 Exchange words?
 - 14 Voting unit
 - 15 Make amends
 - 16 Heady of "Game of Thrones"
 - 17 Manga series also known as "Mach GoGoGo"
 - 19 History
 - 20 Operates properly
 - 21 U.K. equivalent of an Oscar
 - 22 Crisis point?
 - 26 Day to put all your eggs in one basket
 - 27 Perfectly, with "to"
 - 28 Toucan Sam's cereal
 - 31 Sunday entrée
 - 33 Novelist Grey
 - 34 Today's painting, sculpture, etc.
- Down**
- 1 Air rifle ammo
 - 2 Swiss peak
 - 3 Charlie Brown hero — Shlabotnik
 - 4 Maven
 - 5 In the distance
 - 6 Rude observer
 - 7 Sound heard around the clock
 - 8 Tips for a street performer
 - 9 Each
 - 10 Texas border city
 - 11 Unwilling to hear, as criticism
 - 12 Arched foot part
 - 13 Volga region natives
 - 18 MADD focus

Tuesday's solution



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- 21 Hay bundlers
- 22 Artist Chagall
- 23 " _ lived-Brooklyn, of ample hills, was mine": Whitman
- 24 Campus official
- 25 For fear that
- 26 Sicilian hot spot
- 29 Depleted atmospheric layer
- 30 One may be displayed on a boathouse wall
- 32 View from Yellowstone
- 35 Scrip orders
- 36 Signature piece?
- 37 Bygone period
- 38 Tons
- 39 Eagerly attentive
- 40 Image in the Timberland logo
- 43 1997 Hanson #1 song
- 44 1983 Lionel Richie title words before "the sun" and "the rain"
- 45 One of the Nelson brothers of '90s rock
- 46 "Murder on the _ Express"
- 47 Dishwashing aid
- 48 Parents' date-night expense
- 52 "The More You Know" TV spot
- 54 Fashion's Gernreich
- 55 OPEC member
- 57 Light brown
- 58 LinkedIn profile, e.g.
- 59 Soft toss
- 60 Lamb's mom
- 61 "By the way ..."

CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 31 NORMAL HIGH: 83° NORMAL LOW: 64° RECORD HIGH: 99° (1945) RECORD LOW: 51° (1984)

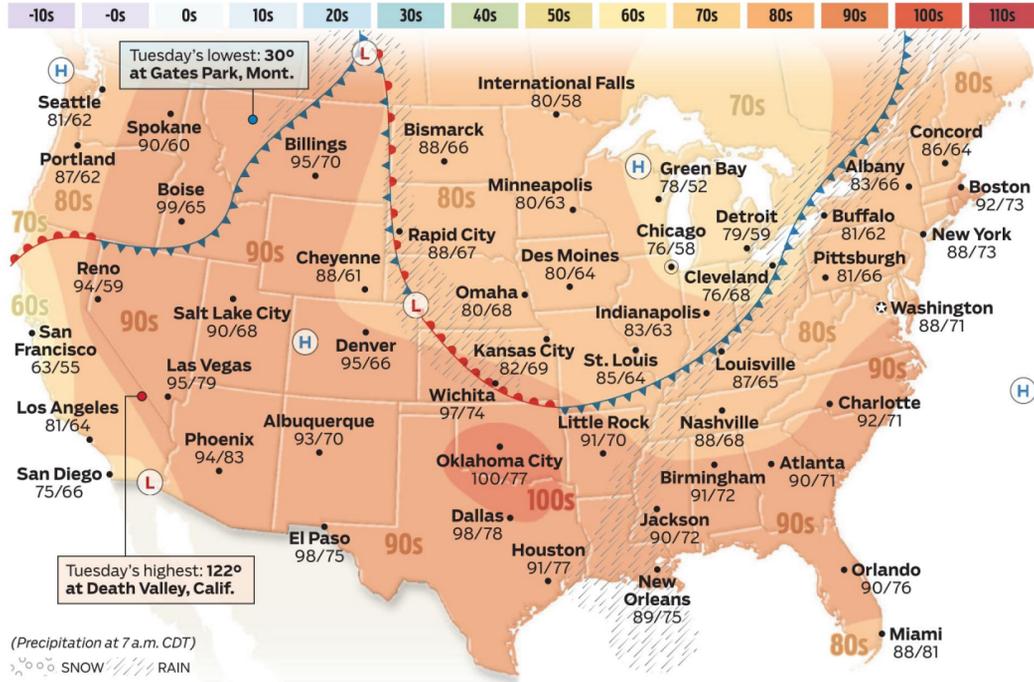
As winds blow in, July bows out on sunny note

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 76 **LOW** 58

- With high pressure centered over Lake Superior dominating our weather, NE winds will flow into our area.
- July closes with picture-perfect weather – afternoon highs reaching into the middle 70s, perhaps a little cooler right along the Lake Michigan shoreline. Dew points in the very dry 40s to lower 50s.
- Clear skies and cool overnight with lows dropping into the 50s inland and lower 60s to the city.
- NE winds 5-15 mph.

NATIONAL FORECAST



High pressure will dominate the Chicago area weather in the coming days with sunny skies during the day and clear skies at night. Winds will have an easterly component will be observed almost daily resulting in afternoon temperatures warming perhaps 5 to 10 degrees higher inland than along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

July should go out with another day of 100% sunshine. This will boost the monthly average to around 79% of possible sunshine – the sunniest July since 2012 when we had 81%. It will also be the first month this year with above normal sunshine.

August should begin on a sunny note with 100% sunshine perhaps occurring each of the first three and possibly four days if forecasts pan out.

THURSDAY, AUG. 1

HIGH 83 **LOW** 61

High pressure continues across Great Lakes. Sunshine will help boost afternoon temps into lower 80s inland. Easterly winds will keep temps in 70s along the Lake Michigan shoreline. Clear and cool overnight.

FRIDAY, AUG. 2

HIGH 85 **LOW** 63

High pressure continues to dominate with a light easterly wind component keeping temps in the 70s along the lakefront, while afternoon readings build into the middle 80s well inland. Clear skies overnight.

SATURDAY, AUG. 3

HIGH 87 **LOW** 66

String of sunny warm days continues. Afternoon temps again peak in mid 80s with modest humidity levels. Again, lower temps at the lakefront due to an easterly component on the wind. Mostly clear skies at night.

SUNDAY, AUG. 4

HIGH 88 **LOW** 68

Considerable sunshine with scattered fair weather cumulus clouds. Very warm, more humid. Afternoon highs work their way into upper 80s, cooler near the lake. Partly cloudy skies overnight. Light winds.

MONDAY, AUG. 5

HIGH 91 **LOW** 71

Considerable sun. Increase in high, mid-level clouds. Cold front from NW. Hot, humid afternoon highs into lower 90s area-wide. Mostly cloudy overnight. Chance of showers/t-storms toward morning. SW winds.

TUESDAY, AUG. 6

HIGH 88 **LOW** 65

Partly cloudy, very warm and humid with a chance of t-storms. Afternoon highs in the mid to upper 80s. Winds shift to the northwest. Shower threat ending and turning cooler overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
How long has it been since Chicago has had a record low temperature?
Thanks,
Bob Matthei

Dear Bob,
It's surprising what a few 90-degree days do to our perception and recollection of our recent weather. It was less than six months ago during last winter's polar vortex when the city set back-to-back record lows in late January. On January 30 the mercury dropped to -23 shattering the old record of 15 below zero set in 1966. The next morning the temperature plunged to -21, eradicating the old January 31 low temperature record of -12 logged in 1985. Additionally, the city also set a record for the date's lowest maximum temperature on March 4 when the high struggled to just 12 degrees, erasing the previous record of 17 established more than a century ago in 1890.

Write to: ASK TOM
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High pressure here; "Erick" to pass south of Hawaiian Islands

GREENLAND/OMEGA BLOCKING PATTERN
Will keep high pressure over Chicago in coming days

PROJECTED CHICAGO HIGH TEMPS
Temperature departures from normal: +0°, +2°, +4°, +5°, +8°, +5°
76° JUL 31, 83° AUG 1, 85° AUG 2, 87° AUG 3, 88° AUG 4, 91° AUG 5, 88° AUG 6

"ERICK" EXPECTED TO TRACK WEST, JUST TO THE SOUTH OF THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Map times in Hawaii Standard Time—5 hours behind CDT.

Tuesday location (4 PM Chicago time)

- 840 miles ESE of Hilo, Hawaii
- Movement west (275°) at 15 mph
- Category 4 hurricane (130 mph)

Also in southern Pacific "Hurricane Flossie"

- 74 mph (category 1)
- 1045 miles SW Baja, California
- Movement west (275°) at 14 mph

WEDNESDAY EVENING SNAPSHOT
Cooler and less humid weather takes hold

Arrows depict predicted surface winds

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CHICAGO DIGEST

TUESDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	79	61	Midway	79	67
Gary	75	63	O'Hare	78	67
Kankakee	82	64	Romeoville	82	65
Lakefront	74	70	Valparaiso	81	65
Lansing	76	62	Waukegan	73	65

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Tue. (through 4 p.m.)	0.00"	0.14"
July to date	3.94"	3.55"
Year to date	28.12"	20.08"

WEDNESDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS	7 a.m.*	2 hours, 5 minutes
1 p.m.*	19 minutes	19 minutes
4 p.m.	47 minutes	47 minutes

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Wind NE 10-22 kts.	NE 5-12 kts.
Waves 2-4 feet	1-3 feet
Tue. shore/crib water temps 72°/71°	

TUESDAY PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	0
Grass	0
Mold	High
Ragweed	0
Weed	Moderate

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Tuesday's reading: Good
Wednesday's forecast: Good
Critical pollutant: Ozone

WEDNESDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	5:43 a.m.	8:10 p.m.
Moon	4:55 a.m.	8:10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	4:47 a.m.	7:03 p.m.
Venus	5:22 a.m.	8:02 p.m.
Mars	6:37 a.m.	8:44 p.m.
Jupiter	4:29 p.m.	1:48 a.m.
Saturn	6:43 p.m.	4:01 a.m.

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION

Planet	Time	Direction
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	Not visible	
Mars	Not visible	
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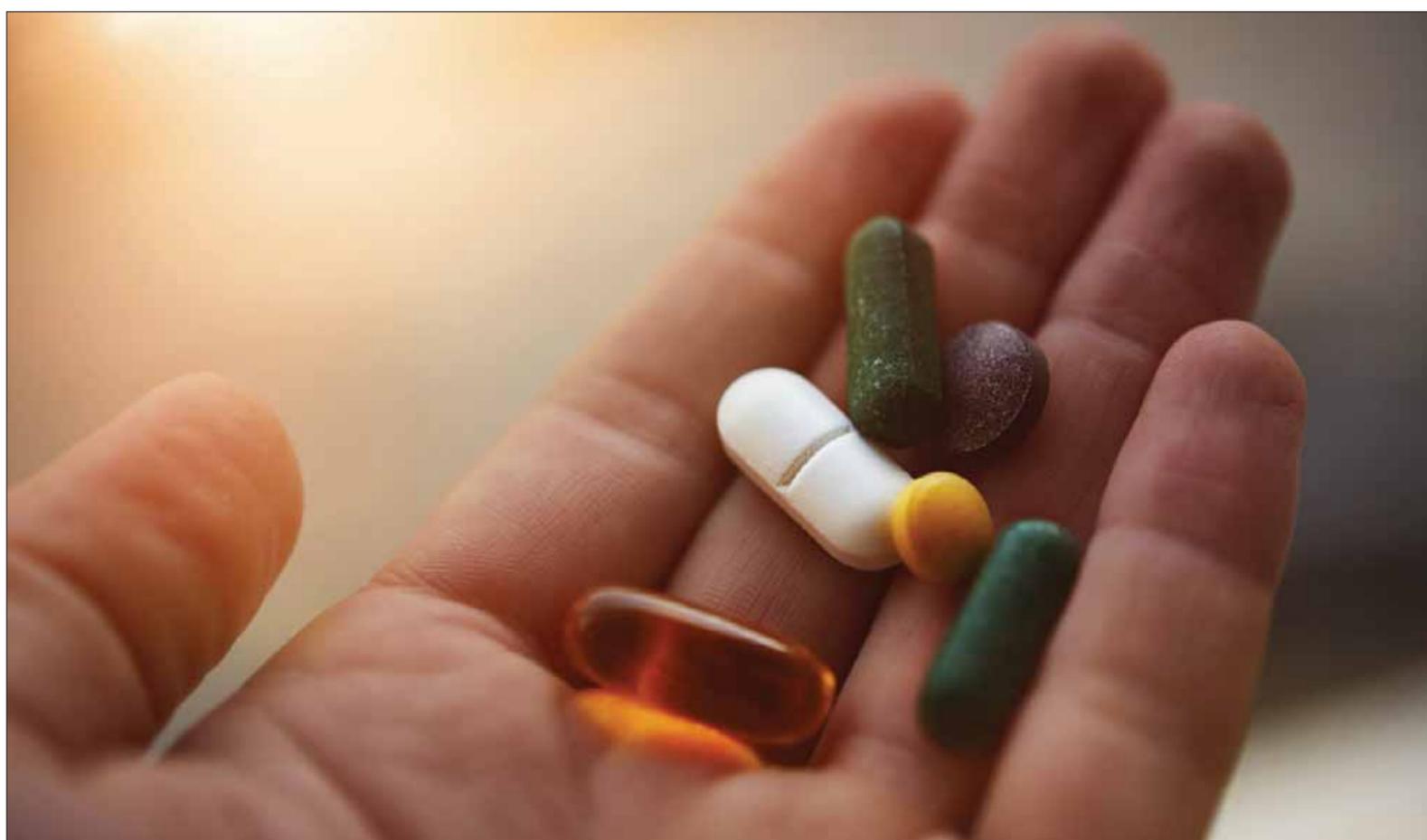
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"An estimated 1 out of 2 Americans are taking some kind of supplement or vitamin," said Dr. Erin Michos, associate professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins University.

Reevaluating vitamins

BY NICOLE BLACKWOOD

Vitamin supplements, a multibillion-dollar industry, are a layperson's favorite prescription. Tired? Take an iron supplement. Sad? Classic vitamin D deficiency. But a recent paper related to cardiovascular health, published July 9 in *Annals of Internal Medicine*, put this loyalty to the test. Surprise, surprise: Vitamin supplements had little impact on heart conditions, including heart disease, and life span as a whole. According to Dr. Erin Michos, associate professor of medicine in cardiology at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and one of the paper's co-authors, the paper was catalyzed in part by the growing popularity of the supplement industry.

"An estimated 1 out of 2 Americans are taking some kind of supplement or vitamin," Michos said. "For the vast majority of vitamins, we did not find any benefit, either in reduction in death or cardiovascular health."

Although vitamin devotees might feel betrayed, medical professionals are less surprised. The paper reviewed

A new study demonstrates the ineffectiveness of supplements in treating heart health, despite their growing popularity

collective evidence from separate randomized clinical trials to analyze the benefit of dietary intervention and supplementation in cardiovascular conditions. Dr. Jeffrey Linder, chief of internal medicine and geriatrics at Northwestern Medicine, wasn't surprised by the results, which corroborated and combined years of prior research while putting a spotlight on cardiovascular health.

"This new study confirms what we've been thinking all along: that there are very few, if any, supplements or vitamins that people should take as long as you're eating a healthy diet," Linder said. "Every time scientists have compared taking a supplement of something versus getting it through food, getting it through food wins every time." Food, Linder said, contains both minerals and vitamins that the body is "built and designed to absorb."

Dr. Mark Rabbat, a Loyola Medicine cardiologist, said he would only prescribe a supplement to patients with established vitamin deficiencies who may derive benefits, but that is not the majority. Still, patients crave what Rabbat called "that magic pill," and their desire for an easy fix makes them putty in the hands of a supplement industry that claims to have it in spades. Vitamins are considered food supplements and are not regulated by the Food and Drug Administration, and Rabbat said they're often vague in labeling as a result — claiming, for instance, to be "good for the heart" without explaining why.

Dr. Rami Doukky, chair of cardiology at Cook County Health, said the industry promotes itself as though its claims were substantiated.

"You cannot watch television and avoid these advertisements for all kinds of

vitamins," Doukky said. "They convince patients of a certain age group that they need to take vitamins," and in the minds of those patients, "If it doesn't help, then it certainly doesn't hurt."

Though the paper demonstrated some evidence that omega-3 fatty acids could help prevent heart attacks, it also demonstrated that taking a certain combination of supplements — calcium plus vitamin D — was shown to increase risk for stroke. While some supplements are considered benign, if ineffective (with the exception of their usage to treat deficiencies), this clearly isn't always the case.

"People take these things without discussing them with doctors because they think they're benign, and they can have real side effects," Michos said. Still, Linder believes the real danger is that patients will waste their money in a

misguided attempt to improve their health.

"It can be hard to convince people if they feel pretty good and feel like what they've been doing is healthy," Linder said. "I get their resistance, and the idea that this new study is going to make everybody drop their supplements is unrealistic too."

Still, if patients are willing to listen, there are ways they can still feel in control of their heart health. Though the paper found little evidence that specific diets are beneficial (though reduced salt intake showed some benefit), Michos said that this doesn't mean heart-healthy diets are ineffective, as diet research is mostly observational studies. There are, in fact, dietary regulations that Doukky said are known to aid heart health: eating fresh fruits, vegetables and whole grains, exercising regularly and avoiding smoking. No need for a cabinet full of supplements; save your wallet and your time.

"In my mind, (even) if it's not harmful, it's a waste of money," Doukky said.

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Chicago's oldest medicinal garden offers wealth of plants

Uses range from helping cure headaches to fighting cancer

BY CINDY DAMPIER

You've been known to ease your cold symptoms with echinacea drops, or soothe your stomach with ginger. Or maybe you're more interested in medicinal plants now that cannabis is growing into a more accepted, legal remedy for ailments from nausea to anxiety.

Whatever the source of your curiosity, you can find it at the Dorothy Bradley Atkins Medicinal Plant Garden, Chicago's oldest urban medicinal plant garden.

Though we may think of medicinal plants more in terms of nutritional supplements, garden curator and University of Illinois at Chicago botanist Doel Soejarto says many of them provide powerful medicine. Here are five of his favorites to keep an eye out for.

Periwinkle: "It's the same one you find in Home Depot or the nurseries around here," Soejarto

says. "It's very easy to grow and have as an ornamental, but it is an important discovery because of an anti-diabetes drug that was produced from this plant." The tropical native was first used to treat diabetes in the West Indies, and is now found in both diabetes drugs and widely used anti-cancer drugs.

Foxglove: Foxglove, or digitalis, has tall spires of flowers that are much prized by gardeners, but it comes with a hint of danger. "It has been used to treat heart disease since the late 1800s," says Soejarto. But the plant has long been notorious as a poison that, in sufficient concentrations, could stop a healthy heart. Though most digitalis plants found in U.S. gardens may not contain enough of the chemical to be lethal, Soejarto says don't self-medicate with this plant. "We have warnings in the garden," Soejarto says, "that tell people not to try the plants, because some, like digitalis can be poisonous."

Mayapple: This plant, which grows wild in the woods around Chicago, was a much-used medicine of Native Americans, knowledge they passed on to European settlers. "The underground part, the rhizome, of this plant has sap when you slice it open," says Soejarto, "and it can be used to treat warts. If you rub it on warts every day for a number of days, maybe 20 days, a month, the warts will gradually disappear." Today, the plant is used in medicines that treat genital warts, which are a precursor to cancer, and as a treatment for some cancers. It is also known for toxicity — the sap can cause burns, and if ingested it is a poison.

Coneflower: A classic prairie native, the purple coneflower is also medicinal. Its proper name is echinacea, which is often sold in dietary supplements to ease common cold symptoms. Historically, it was used by Native Americans as a painkiller and a



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The coneflower, also known as echinacea, is a heat-resistant herb often sold in dietary supplements to combat cold symptoms.

cure for toothache, coughs, colds, sore throats and snake bite. Soejarto vouches for it: "Even I have been using it for my colds," he says. "It's supposed to ease the suffering."

Willow: Graceful willow trees are always a highlight of gardens and parks, but Soejarto points out a lesser-known quality: "It has a great story," he says. "In Europe

they would strip the bark and boil it when they had a headache. So there was an analgesic from the bark of the tree." Eventually, scientists studied the medicinal in the bark, leading to discoveries that gave us aspirin. "And aspirin, as you know, is one of or perhaps the most widely used drug in the world," says Soejarto.

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Anxiety on the rise among American adults

Nearly 33% feel more anxious than a year ago, according to psychiatric poll

BY JELENA KEKMANOVIC
Washington Post

We live in the age of anxiety. As a clinical psychologist who has studied anxiety and treated hundreds of anxious patients, I see it eclipsing all other problems as a major psychological issue in the 21st century. Each day, I treat people who worry constantly and can't relax, who feel tense and achy, and who have difficulty sleeping — all hallmarks of anxiety. Survey data confirm anxiety is ubiquitous.

Nearly one-third of American adults say they feel more anxious than a year ago, according to a May poll from the American Psychiatric Association. The number of Google searches including “anxiety” has increased steadily over the past five years, according to Google Trends. And the National Institute of Mental Health reports that anxiety disorders have become the most common group of mental disorders, with about one-fifth of U.S. adults struggling with an anxiety disorder each year, and almost one-third experiencing an anxiety disorder during their lifetimes.

Why is anxiety increasing? I see plausible explanations in the way we've evolved and, paradoxically, in the way we try to manage anxiety. These explanations can point us toward several powerful techniques that can reverse the trend of rising anxiety.

Evolutionary mismatch

Ancestors who excelled at fighting or fleeing from dangerous situations were more likely to survive, and we have inherited their genes.

Living in the developed world does not typically bring us into constant con-

tact with life-threatening danger. But our threat-detection system remains vigilant, and it's being bombarded as never before.

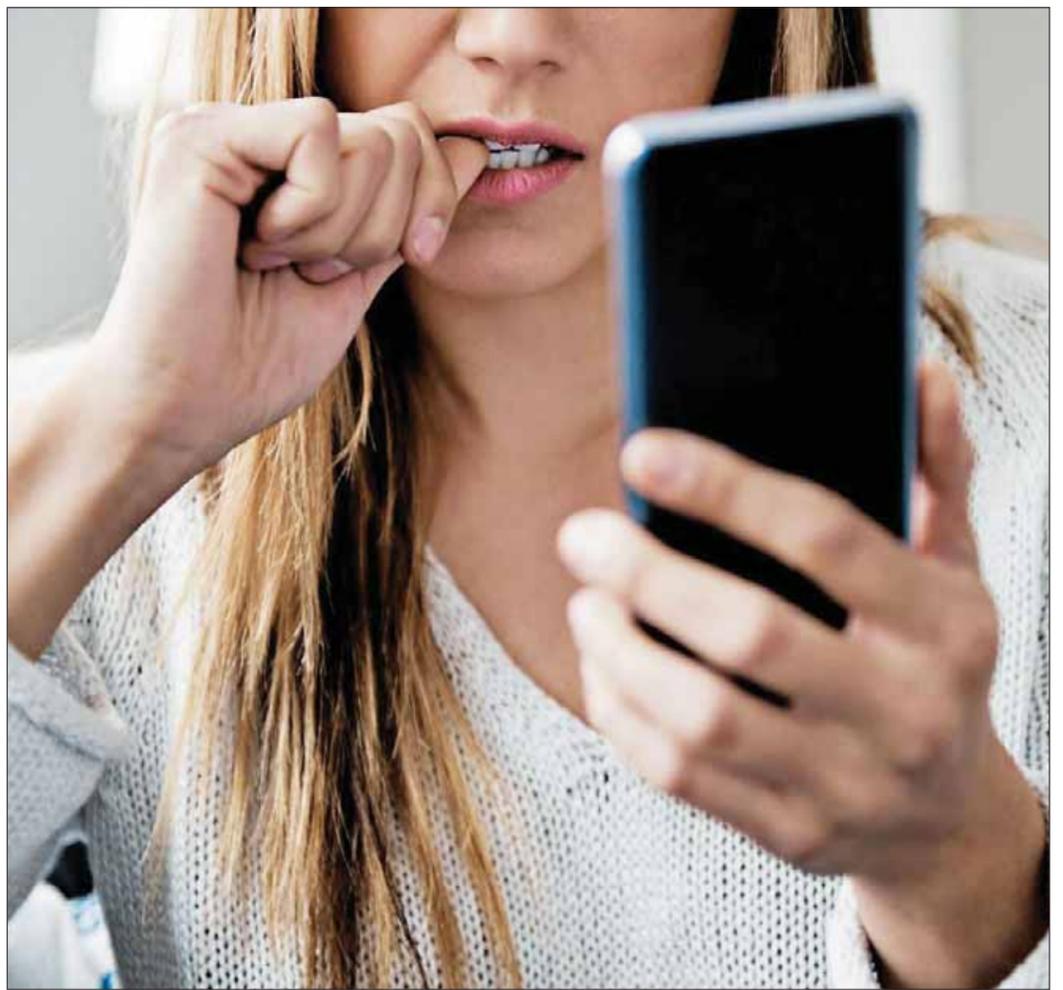
“We live in constant state of threat owing to the 24-hour news cycle” and digital interconnection, said David Sloan Wilson, professor of biology and anthropology at Binghamton University and president of the Evolution Institute. Whether it is in reaction to another photo or article about a recent shooting, grounded planes, trade wars or the latest stroller recall, our anxiety has constant opportunity to flare up.

Our lives differ dramatically from our ancestors' in other ways. Hunter-gatherers were much more active — walking to find food or shelter and running from predators. They followed the rhythms of nature and belonged to small, tight-knit communities or extended families.

In contrast, we move less, sleep less and have weaker bonds, all of which can lead to anxiety. “Many of us are like animals in captivity,” said Kelly Wilson, a psychology professor at the University of Mississippi. “When you immobilize rats and other animals, you can basically create the state of anxiety or depression.”

What you resist, persists

Because being anxious can be an uncomfortable and scary experience, we resort to conscious or unconscious strategies that help reduce anxiety in the moment — watching a movie or TV show, eating, drinking, internet browsing and overworking. Smartphones provide a distraction any time of the day or night. Psychological research has shown that distractions serve as a com-



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Contributors to anxiety include the 24-hour news cycle and electronic devices, experts say.

mon anxiety avoidance strategy.

Paradoxically, however, these avoidance strategies make anxiety worse in the long run. Being anxious is like getting into quicksand — the more you fight it, the deeper you sink. Indeed, research strongly supports Carl Jung's maxim that “What you resist, persists.”

Remedies

The evolutionary mismatch hypothesis suggests several approaches for reducing anxiety: Disconnect occasionally from electronic devices, move

more — preferably in nature — sleep enough and prioritize in-person time with friends and family.

These changes need not be dramatic. Research shows that disconnecting from Facebook alone for a few days can lead to lower stress. If starting an exercise regimen sounds daunting, begin by walking a few minutes a day and gradually increase the time. If sleep frequently eludes you, turn off all electronic devices at least an hour before bed and remove them from your room.

How can we stop dealing with our anxiety by dis-

tracting ourselves?

Cognitive behavior therapy offers helpful suggestions. Notice when your body becomes tense and you feel the urge to escape by pulling out your phone or reaching for a drink. Then delay that escape for a few minutes. See what happens as your mind and body experience the discomfort. Repeat this each time you notice anxiety appearing, and try to delay the habitual responses longer and longer. You are likely to realize that anxiety is not as scary and won't last as long as you feared. Anxiety goes up and down

like a wave — if you learn to surf it, it will never crush you.

When your discomfort prevents you from doing something that matters, gently push yourself beyond your comfort zone.

For people with serious anxiety problems or disorders, these and other cognitive behavioral therapy strategies should be implemented with the guidance of a mental health professional.

For the rest — the answer is to let go of the struggle and stop attempting to control your emotions.

Americans are spending even more time sitting

BY DENNIS THOMPSON
HealthDay

The United States has grown a bumper crop of couch potatoes in recent years, a new study reports.

The amount of time people spend sitting around actually increased after the initial release of the federal Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans in 2008, researchers have found.

“Over the past 10 years, there was no significant change in physical activity levels, but there was a significant increase in the time we sit around,” said senior researcher Dr. Wei Bao. He's an assistant professor of epidemiology at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

As a result, the proportion of people who didn't get enough aerobic exercise and also sat around for more than six hours a day rose from 16% to nearly 19% between 2007 and 2016, according to the study published online in late July in JAMA Network Open.

An inactive lifestyle has been linked to many chronic diseases.

Sitting around too much increases your risk of obesity, heart disease, high blood pressure, stroke, high cholesterol, Type 2 diabetes, osteoporosis, depression, anxiety and even certain cancers, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Because of this, federal health officials released the activity guidelines, which recommend adults get at least 150 minutes a week of moderate-intensity exercise or 75 minutes a week of vigorous-intensity exercise.

Moderate-intensity activity can include mowing the lawn, playing tennis, enjoying a leisurely bike ride, engaging in a brisk walk, or doing heavy



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Researchers found time spent sitting increased from 5.7 hours a day in 2007-2008 to 6.4 hours a day in 2015-2016.

housework like vacuuming, mopping or washing windows.

Vigorous exercise includes jogging, bicycling fast, playing basketball or soccer, shoveling dirt or carrying heavy loads.

To see how many Americans meet these recommendations, Bao's team reviewed data from a series of federal studies that track health trends among U.S. adults and children.

The investigators found that time spent sitting increased from 5.7 hours a day in 2007-08 to 6.4 hours a day in 2015-2016.

The increase in sedentary behavior was seen in nearly every major subgroup of the U.S. population, study authors said.

At the same time, there was no real change in Americans' physical activity. About 65% of people met guidelines for aerobic activity in 2015-16, compared with 63% in 2007-08, the study found.

American life is designed to be cushy, so it's natural that folks settle in and relax rather than get up and go, Bao said.

“This will be a natural phenomenon for a convenience society, for a modern society like the United States,” he said. “I think sitting down is a natural desire for humans. When

people are tired at work and go home, the first thing is to lie down on the sofa and watch TV for another two hours.”

American jobs have also gotten less physically demanding, said Donna Arnett, dean of the University of Kentucky College of Public Health in Lexington.

“If you look at physical activity from occupational energy expenditure, that has been going down dramatically over the past three to four decades,” she said. The proliferation of screens at work and home hasn't helped, she added.

“The automation in our lives — at home and at work — is also likely related to the increased use of screen time. People are spending more time looking at their phones and working on their computers, even after hours,” Arnett said.

So why haven't the Physical Activity Guidelines been more inspiring?

It could be that folks simply don't know about them. Only about 1 in 3 Americans said they were aware of the guidelines in a 2009 survey, researchers said in background notes.

Bao suggested “there should be more effort to communicate this information and to have people fight against sitting down.”

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CHRIS ERSKINE
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It was right here that they figured out where we are on the celestial map, first measured the Milky Way, discovered that the universe is expanding, moving away, shunning us.

Naturally, you want to know more — for nearly every philosophy insists that we are at the center of things.

Turns out, and you could easily argue that this 100-inch telescope and its roster of cutting-edge astronomers were as life-altering as the Old Testament.

The Elvis, the Jesus, the



GINA FERAZZI/LOS ANGELES TIMES

Stargazers arrive to get a glimpse of the solar system via the 100-inch telescope at Mount Wilson Observatory.

Galileo of this monument was a fella named George Ellery Hale, a brilliant manic-depressive who built this dome and its telescopes, then invited the world — including Albert Einstein and Edwin Hubble — to come up to play.

Despite its significance, Mount Wilson was forgotten for a while, a victim of the city lights that ruined its dark-room ambience, of bigger scopes, and then of philanthropic evolution — the Carnegie Institution pulled out 30 years ago.

Now, thanks mostly to donations and volunteers, this diamond on the hill is enjoying a bit of a renaissance, with public viewings through the 60-inch and 100-inch telescopes, an option only since 2015. The observatory also invites the public to frequent concerts and lectures, in what is becoming the second golden age of space travel.

Indeed, in many ways, Mount Wilson was a stepping stone to the Apollo mission for NASA, and today it stands as a rallying point for residents to gaze out at the moon, which if all goes well might be our 51st state.

You want to know what you can see up here, right? Is it an inspired place to bring a first date? Can you get a decent sandwich?

Yes to all of that. Public viewings are plentiful. The views of the basin itself are

brehtaking. To lend a little romance to the place, occasional chamber concerts take place on Sundays in the dome, a surprisingly acoustic hall.

After all, Einstein himself once said: “I live my daydreams in music.”

Meanwhile, monthly guest speakers discuss such things as 100-yard-wide holes on the moon that might make it permanently habitable.

“I think it's a very exciting time to be a moon enthusiast,” says the night's lecturer, Laura Kerber of JPL, who is working on a proposal to send a rover down the moon tubes at the next landing, scheduled for 2024.

Stay tuned. To get a sense of this telescope, note that it can reveal stars so faint that they are no brighter than a candle flickering 8,000 miles away.

“This is a magical place,” says Sam Hale, the grandson of George Hale and the chair of the facility's board of trustees, as he bops around to greet people.

“I think there's a Pavlovian twist to astronomy,” says one visitor. “With astronomy you don't always get the reward you're hoping to see, but if you keep at it ...”

Magic, magic, magic.

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Medicare making strides on opioids, report finds

In a 2-year span, 'doctor shopping' prescriptions down

By **MARTHA BEBINGER**
WBUR, NPR and Kaiser Health

Prescriptions for two drugs used to treat opioid addiction increased significantly from 2016 to 2018 for people on Medicare, according to a federal report released in July.

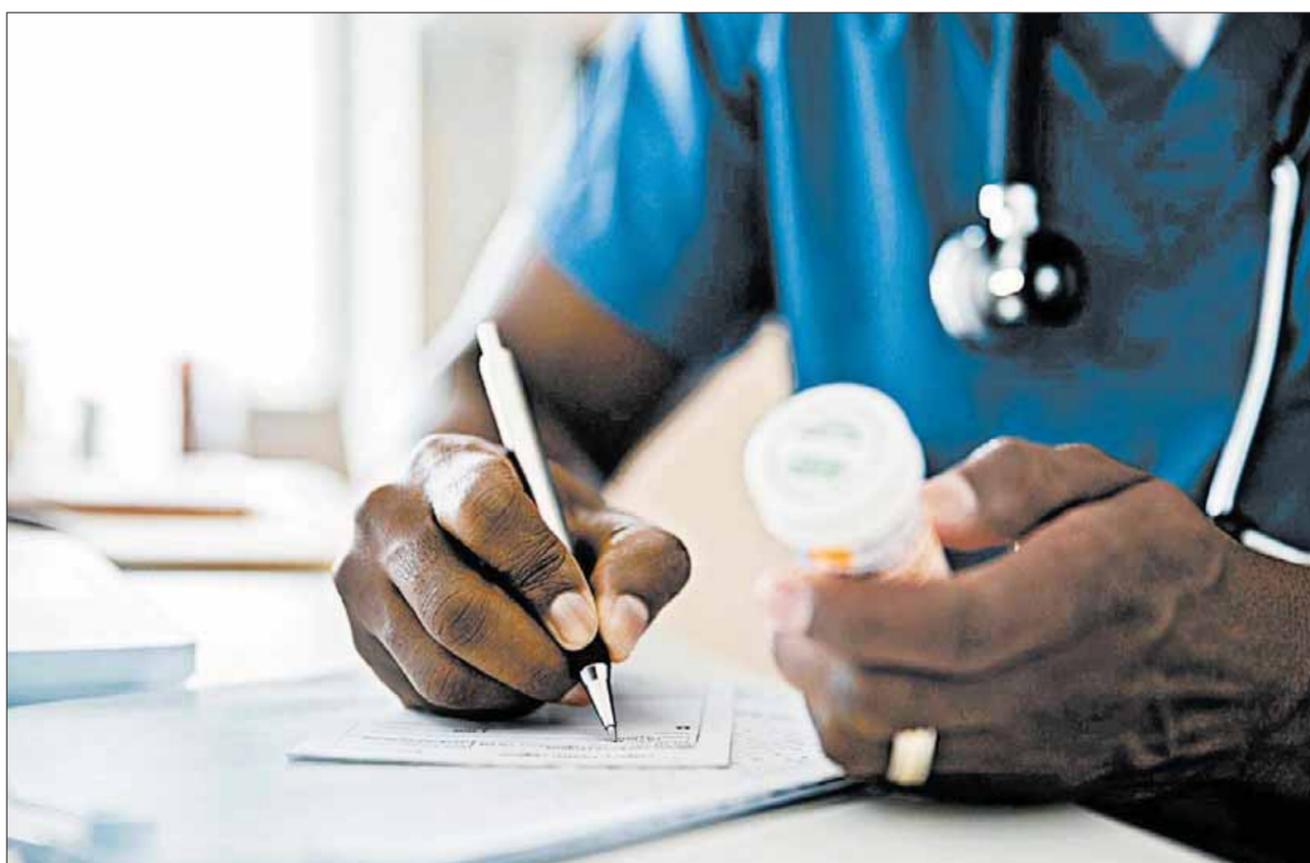
About 174,000 Medicare beneficiaries received such a medication — either buprenorphine or naltrexone — to help them with recovery in 2018, according to the Office of Inspector General in the Department of Health and Human Services.

In addition, prescriptions for naloxone, the drug that can reverse an opioid overdose, spiked since 2016, rising 501% — and that is likely an underestimate because it doesn't include doses of the nasal spray Medicare members might have received through local programs, the OIG said.

"For now, the numbers are going in the right direction," said Miriam Anderson, lead investigator on the report. "But this is a national crisis and we must remain vigilant and continue to fight this epidemic and ensure that opioids are prescribed and used appropriately."

During the two years studied, the threat of new addictions appeared to slow. Prescriptions for an opioid through Medicare Part D decreased by 11%. The numbers of the beneficiaries considered at serious risk for misuse or overdose — either because they received extreme amounts of opioids or appeared to be "doctor shopping" — dropped 46%. And there were 51% fewer doctors or other providers flagged for prescribing opioids to patients at serious risk from 2016 through 2018.

The report says the OIG and other law enforcement



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Nearly 175,000 Medicare beneficiaries received buprenorphine or naltrexone to help with opioid addiction recovery in 2018, according to a federal report.

agencies will investigate the highest-level prescribers for possible fraud and signs that some providers operate pill mills. The report mentions a physician in Florida who provided 104 high-risk Medicare patients with 2,619 opioid prescriptions.

It will be up to Medicare to follow up with patients whose opioid use suggests addiction, recreational use or resale. In one case, a Pennsylvania woman received 10,728 oxycodone pills and 570 fentanyl patches from a single physician during 2018. A Medicare member in Alabama acquired 56 opioid prescriptions from 25 different prescribers within one year.

In a statement, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services said: "Fight-

ing the opioid epidemic has been a top priority for the Trump administration. We are encouraged by the OIG's conclusion which finds significant progress has been made in our efforts to decrease opioid misuse while simultaneously increasing medication assisted treatment in the Medicare Part D program."

The agency points to recent efforts to curb opioid misuse including a seven-day limit on first-time opioid prescriptions, pharmacy alerts about Medicare beneficiaries who receive high doses of pain meds and drug management programs that may restrict a patient's supply. CMS says it does not use a "one size fits all" approach. Medicare patients in long-

term care facilities or hospice care and those in cancer treatment are exempt from the opioid-prescribing restrictions.

The opioid-prescribing limits are raising alarms among some Medicare recipients, especially those who qualify based on a long-term disability and deal with severe, chronic pain.

Jae Kennedy, a disability policy expert at Washington State University, said cutting back on opioid prescriptions is generally a good development.

"But we hear from people in the disability community who feel like they're being victimized by this new, very stringent set of dispensing limits," said Kennedy. "People have been managing their pain,

in some cases for many years without a problem, and now they're being kind of criminalized by this new bureaucratic backlash."

Anderson said the OIG agrees that "some patients need opioids and they should receive those needed for their condition. This report raises concerns that some patients may be receiving opioids above and beyond those needs."

While most Medicare beneficiaries are 65 or older, the 15% who are under 65 and disabled may be the key piece of this report. Kennedy's research shows they are up to three times more likely to describe persistent pain than are other adults and 50% more likely to report opioid misuse. A 2017 OIG report found that 74% of Medicare

beneficiaries at serious risk for addiction and overdose deaths were under age 65.

Kennedy said it's good to see Medicare expanding access to medication assisted treatment, known as MAT, for addiction, but the agency needs to make sure that more buprenorphine prescribers accept all patients, not just the ones who are easiest to manage. Patients with disabilities often need many different medications for multiple physical and mental health conditions.

Americans 65 or older have the lowest rates of opioid overdose deaths. Even so, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says the number of deaths among seniors increased by 279% from 1999 to 2017.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Be careful when using a wire brush to clean a grill

By **JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON**
King Features Syndicate

Q. You have written about the dangers of wire brush bristles getting into grilled food. Is there a way to clean off the backyard barbecue grill that avoids that problem?

A. Emergency physicians have reported injuries when people inadvertently swallow wire bristles trapped in their grilled food (Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery, April 2016).

Using a wire brush to clean the grill can create a problem that may be quite serious (Annals of Otolaryngology, Rhinology, and Laryngology, October 2018).

Such brushes should be replaced at least every two years.

Readers have other suggestions for cleaning the grill, such as wiping it down with a damp paper towel or using a nylon scrubber.

Q. One parent and all of my siblings have restless legs syndrome. So do I.

A. Benadryl, specifically its primary ingredient diphenhydramine, absolutely aggravates my RLS. I avoid it and anything else that contains it, such as the PM pain medications. Certain nausea medications also make RLS worse. The one I recall is Phenergan.

Don't assume your physician knows this. Several doctors I spoke with knew nothing about it. As far as I'm concerned, I'm allergic to these drugs, and list them in my records accordingly.

A. Restless legs syndrome is characterized by an urgent feeling that you need to move your legs.



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Cleaning the grill with a wire brush risks leaving bristles in grilled food.

Moving them alleviates sensations of crawling, itching or throbbing, but this frequently keeps people awake.

You are quite right that diphenhydramine can aggravate RLS symptoms (National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke). We think people who take PM pain relievers containing diphenhydramine should be alerted to this potential reaction.

Q. A few years ago, I thought I was experiencing early onset senility: depression, lack of concentration, near-paralysis when faced with decisions to make. It threatened to ruin my career. At the time, my doctor told me it was stress and that I should take it easy.

Then I started waking at night with the painful sensation that my hands were three times their normal size (they weren't). A new doctor ran tests that showed a vitamin B deficiency. A transdermal patch with vitamin B12 made an immediate and dramatic difference. We never found a reason for the deficiency.

A. Vitamin B12 deficiency can lead to symptoms such as numbness and tingling in hands and

feet, balance problems, memory difficulties, burning tongue, confusion, depression and even dementia.

In addition to testing for low vitamin B12 levels in blood, doctors may need to test for high levels of methylmalonic acid — a more reliable marker of vitamin B12 deficiency.

Vitamin patches are relatively new and somewhat controversial. You can usually correct vitamin B12 deficiency with a fairly high dose of oral cobalamin.

Q. I am a 73-year-old woman with a long history of high cholesterol. I have had a severe reaction to all statin drugs and can't tolerate them. My total cholesterol was almost 300. After taking red yeast rice twice a day, along with Welchol for less than a year, my total cholesterol has come down to 184. My HDL is 44 and my LDL 80. So far this has been the only thing that has worked. Even eating a healthy diet did not work. My question is, What are the side effects of taking red yeast rice long term?

A. Red yeast rice is an ancient Chinese food that was also used traditionally as a medicine. It contains compounds called monacolins. These are related to statin medications.

Side effects of red yeast rice are similar to those of statins (International Journal of General Medicine, online, April 30, 2019). Be alert for muscle pain and weakness, elevations in blood sugar and nerve pain.

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Spoon bread is a longtime Southern favorite. This green chile-cheese-corn version gets a double hit of corn flavor from cornmeal and fresh corn kernels.

It's sweet corn season

How to choose, cook and preserve the newest varieties

BY ROBIN MATHER

Finding sweet corn at a roadside stand or farmers market is one of the best treats of summer. Every year, growers try new hybrid varieties to tempt their shoppers to buy more.

This year, you might see sweet corn with unfamiliar names:

Temptress: Promises exceptionally tender kernels and great sweet corn flavor.

Supersweet Jubilee: Sometimes said to be the best-tasting supersweet variety available.

Gotta Have It: A Gurney's hybrid that is fantastic for freezing (and we have tips for that).

Kate: A new bicolor supersweet that also boasts excellent

eating quality.

Super Surprise: Another bicolor sweet corn that does well at farmers markets and roadside stands.

Caliber: Best for eating fresh with superb flavor.

I look hard for older, sometimes heirloom varieties of corn, such as Country Gentleman, Golden Bantam and the venera-

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This grilled corn relish is good as a piquant side to any summer supper.



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The grouper with lobster gnocchi at Ocean Prime.

REVIEW Ocean Prime ★★

Seafood-focused steakhouse is excellent, but a bit on pricey side

BY PHIL VETTEL

The newest entry in Chicago's steak-and-seafood derby has a Michigan Avenue location, views of the Chicago River and a by-the-numbers menu that succeeds on quality and execution.

"We're a seafood-forward concept that does great steak," said executive chef Jason Shelley, who has been with the company for 16 years and is the Chicago location's operating partner.

Ocean Prime started in Columbus, Ohio, and now has 16 loca-

tions from Beverly Hills to Boston. The Chicago location, the company's latest, opened at the beginning of April in the Shops at London House, just off the corner of Michigan Avenue and Wacker Drive. Exterior signage is meager, and the entrance is easy to miss, but customers will feel comfortable and coddled once inside.

Some pains have been taken to give the restaurant a local feel. The lavish steakhouse decor (white tablecloths, dark wood, elegant glass chandeliers) has art deco accents, in a nod to the

building's history, and because the second-floor dining room wraps around the building, your table might overlook the Wrigley Building, Tribune Tower, the Chicago River and/or Michigan Avenue. Private dining rooms are named Wrigley (three of them, connectable) and Tribune (slightly downsized, sigh).

The menu touches all the expected bases. Fried calamari rings (very good, abetted by a lively sweet-chile sauce), check. Lob-

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Breakfast, with a side of photography

BY NATALIE WADE

Alan Epstein, known on Instagram as @whatwasbreakfast, moved to Chicago from California to pursue improv but ended up discovering a new form of creative expression: photography. No, not food photography as the name might imply, but street photography — snapping pictures of different Chicagoans in a “Humans of New York” fashion. After taking pictures of his subjects, Epstein asks, “What did you have for breakfast?”

Why breakfast? “It’s something we all do, so it’s like something everybody does but everybody does differently. I think it’s a way of showing we’re all so different but we’re also the same,” said Epstein.

Not to mention breakfast is his favorite meal. It’s often cheaper than eating out for dinner and nothing beats a classic diner-style breakfast, no gimmicks or creative twists necessary, he said.

“I want to go to a place that’s like, ‘Here’s your eggs, here’s your bacon, here’s your toast and I’m gonna pour your coffee like a million times,’” said Epstein.

The idea for this project dawned on him while working at the Cherry Circle Room, a restaurant tucked away on the second floor of the Chicago Athletic Association in the Loop.

“A lot of things lined up for it to make sense. ... About that time I was realizing that improv was not going to be my thing, but I had a camera for a sketch I filmed. I started messing around and would take pictures of my coworkers,” Epstein said. “During the day a lot of people would order the two of everything breakfast and it would take a really long time to ask all of the follow-up questions like, ‘What kind of toast do you want? How would you like your eggs — poached or scrambled?’

“I was complaining to



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Street photographer Alan Epstein interviews people for his Instagram account, @whatwasbreakfast.

my friend, ‘Every time someone orders this (special), it’s like a (expletive) interview; and then something clicked and I thought, well, maybe I could learn something about (people based on their preferences).’

After his realization, Epstein started interviewing coworkers, asking them what they would get if they came in on a day off to eat breakfast.

“I’d record it ... and pull out a little fun quote. Then the people at the restaurant started printing and hanging (the photos and quotes) up in the hallway. People started talking to each other about their preferences and I thought OK, there’s something here. I eventually ran out of coworkers to interview and took it to the street instead.”

Since then, he’s been posting daily photos, highlighting people with cool and unique style.

“It was the creative outlet I was seeking in improv. I was improvising (by asking questions) within a structure. I was connecting with people in an unorthodox way; it was a nice way

to have a relaxed, wholesome conversation with somebody. It’s interesting that you can kinda get somebody’s personality a bit, through their choices. It’s also a reason for me to just wander.”

Wander he does, not necessarily on the prowl for something that will make a viral post, but for people who seem to have interesting stories, focusing on the unique looks of people that someone beelining from A to B might not notice.

Most of his photos are shot in the Loop. “I think it’s got the biggest cross-section of everybody. It’s maybe a little more dense, so I have the chance to see more people than I would if I go to a less populated neighborhood where (seeing people) is fewer and far between.”

Cool fashion wasn’t on his mind when he first started the project, but he quickly realized he’d have better luck stopping folks on the street who had interesting or outlandish style. Not only do they pop on camera, Epstein experiences much lower rates of rejection with these style

I’ll still talk to them because it’s not necessarily about the breakfast. It’s more like, what’s up with this person today? People (tell me they) smoked weed all the time, which I find pretty fun. People in the comments really enjoy when people do outlandish stuff.”

His interviews are short, but Epstein tries to get in as many questions as he can in under a minute.

“One of the things I’ve gotten really interested in is asking really specific follow-up questions. It’s almost like a game for me, like how many questions can I ask somebody while remaining on subject. If someone says they smoked weed — I would never ask them where they got it — but I’ll ask, ‘Did you smoke it in a pipe, did you vape, did you roll a blunt?’”

Although you might not recognize him on the street, more and more people are following his Instagram page and know of his project.

“Sometimes — and this just happened very recently — I’ll start pitching what I’m doing to a person and they’re like, ‘Are you the What Was Breakfast guy?’”

Along with the diverse cast of characters he’s photographed, he’s also snapped some notable celebrities.

“I got Willy H. Macy. People (expletive) freaked out about that.”

Although street photography is an unexpected passion for Epstein and improv is no longer on his mind, he said he doesn’t regret moving to Chicago. “It’s like the biggest of the big cities that still feels small and livable,” Epstein said.

He continues to explore the city, meet new people, take new photos and ask about what they’re eating. As for Epstein’s favorite breakfast — if there isn’t a nearby diner, nothing beats old-fashioned doughnuts and a cup of black coffee.

“When people say they’ve skipped breakfast, nwade@chicagotribune.com



Epstein says asking people about breakfast is a “way of showing we’re all so different but we’re also the same.”

creatives than he does with someone in a business suit on their way to work.

It also makes it easier to explain to a stranger why you want to take their picture.

“People need to feel like there’s a reason. ... I can be like, ‘Oh, I really like your green scarf and your earrings look great; and it’s like boom, that’s why I’m talking to you.’”

How does he know if someone will make a good subject?

“(It’s) when you see somebody and think, ‘I wonder what that person is

up to? Is this an image of a person that I think somebody would be curious to know about a little slice of their life?’ It’s a super intangible kind of feeling.”

One issue Epstein has run into is the fact that many people skip breakfast, but just because it’s bad for your metabolism doesn’t mean it’s bad for Epstein’s project. Even if all you had was a glass of water or all you’ve done since waking up in the morning is smoke a blunt, Epstein will have follow-up questions for you.

“When people say they’ve skipped breakfast,



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Almanac’s canned Sournova mixed-culture sour beers include the cherry in the glass.

Canned sour beers that explode with flavor, but won’t explode can

BY ZAK STAMBOR
Chicago Tribune

It was only about a decade ago when sour beer wasn’t much of a thing. Neither was canned craft beer. But over the past decade, both sour beer and canned craft beer have grown mainstream. Heck, even sour beer in a can has become relatively easy to find. But here’s the thing: Almost all of those sour beers are kettle sours.

Before I go any further, let me be clear: There’s nothing wrong with kettle sours. The broad swath of beers that are lumped together because of the kettle souring technique (a brewer introduces Lactobacillus bacteria to a brew kettle to add acidity to the beer) can be crisp and refreshing. And kettle sours that come in cans can be ideal for a range of warm weather activities such as boating and camping.

But kettle sours are not particularly complex, especially when compared with mixed-culture sours, the other broad group of sour beers, which consists of beers that can continuously ferment over months, imbuing them with depth of flavor. And sometimes you want a canned beer that’s a little more interesting. At least you do if you’re

Damian Fagan, founder and CEO of Alameda, California-based Almanac Beer Co., which is known for its so-called “farm-barrel” approach to beer-making in which it blends locally sourced fruit into its mixed culture sour beers.

However, until recently, it was difficult to find a mixed culture sour beer in a can. That’s because mixed culture sours are alive even after a brewery packages them. Most of the time, that’s not an issue. But a live beer can become volatile and over-carbonated. (That’s not a problem for kettle sours because the Lactobacillus is killed off during brewing.) Glass can typically handle that state; cans cannot. And because most breweries aren’t eager to sell canned sours that might explode, mixed culture sours have almost always been bottled.

Almanac is seeking to change that. The brewery spent about two years working on the idea of a series of mixed-culture sour beers that it would package in cans. Fagan aims for the series, which Almanac calls Sournova, to appeal to a broader array of beer drinkers than the brewery’s other beers. That’s why the Sournova beers are less sour, less alcoholic and “less scary”

than its other beers.

“For most of our existence, the beers we were making were for each other,” he says. “They were all on the extreme side. They could be very sour and very alcoholic.”

To be clear, the brewery is continuing to make plenty of those extreme beers. But it’s also begun producing Sournova beers with the same house bacteria culture — a blend of Saccharomyces, Brettanomyces, Lactobacillus and other microflora — that the brewery has been using since 2015. The mixed culture ferments for months with fruit in oak barrels before being canned.

The resulting beers — to date Almanac has released variations featuring apricots, blackberries, blueberries, cherries, peaches and raspberries — offer an approachable middle ground between the more extreme sour beers the brewery is known for and less complex kettle sours. They’re dry with a burst of fruit flavor. They’re sour without having a sharp bite. And they’re incredibly refreshing and easy-drinking. So easy-drinking, in fact, that they’re ideal for a warm summer day.

Zak Stambor is a freelancer.

Barbecue sauce gets healthy kick from fresh blueberries

BY ELLIE KRIEGER
The Washington Post

Blueberries give this lip-smacking barbecue sauce multiple levels of fresh appeal. One hits you at first glance upon seeing its unexpected indigo color. Another — its flavor — is fresher than a traditional sauce, with the fruit lending its gentle, nuanced sweetness to the tangy-savory mix. That sweetness is backed up by a drizzle of molasses, so this sauce has none of the highly refined sugar that tops the ingredient list of most bottled barbecue sauces, nor the artificial additives.

Adding to its health appeal, the sauce also has less salt and more nutrients than its counterparts. With those selling points, the bounty of fresh berries at the market now (though frozen would work, too), and the fact that this luscious sauce is so simple and quick to make, why



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The blueberry barbecue sauce is brushed onto chicken thighs toward the end of grilling and chars pleasantly on the meat without burning.

wouldn’t you?

Just simmer the ingredients until the berries are warm and bursting — less than 10 minutes — then puree. The accompanying

recipe makes two batches worth, so you can serve a crowd, or keep any remaining sauce in the refrigerator for four days, or freeze it for several months.

Grilled chicken thighs with blueberry barbecue sauce

Prep: 15 minutes Cook: 10 minutes Makes: 4 servings

Sauce:

- 1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
 - ½ cup canned, no-salt-added tomato sauce
 - 2 tablespoons molasses
 - 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
 - 1½ teaspoons chili powder
 - 1 teaspoon yellow mustard
 - ½ teaspoon kosher salt
 - ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- #### Chicken:
- 1½ pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs
 - ¼ teaspoon kosher salt
 - ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 - Vegetable oil

1. For the sauce: Combine the berries, tomato sauce, molasses, vinegar, chili powder, mustard, salt and pepper in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the mixture is barely bubbling at the edges. Reduce the heat to medium-low; cook, stirring frequently, until the berries soften and are nearly bursting, about 7 minutes. Cool slightly, then transfer to a blender and puree until smooth. Makes about 1 cup.

2. For the chicken: Season chicken on both sides with salt and pepper. Brush a grill or grill pan with oil; heat it over medium-high heat. Grill the chicken, about 3 minutes per side. Lightly brush each side with the sauce; continue to grill until the chicken is cooked through and is nicely browned, 1 to 2 more minutes per side.

3. Serve right away, drizzled with more sauce (about 1 tablespoon more sauce per portion).

Nutrition information per serving (using half the sauce): 220 calories, 6 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 150 mg cholesterol, 8 g carbohydrates, 6 g sugar, 33 g protein, 430 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

The art of picking wine by the label

BY DAVE MCINTYRE
The Washington Post

The label sells the first bottle, the wine sells the second, according to a wine industry maxim. The saying illustrates the importance of marketing to the success of winemaking. A good story, a high point score from a critic or a stellar reputation can help sell a wine. But the label comes first.

From my wine-geek perspective, it's easy to lose sight of this marketing reality. I look askance at a cute label as a sign the wine is lacking. That's not fair, and I decided I needed to recalibrate my perspective.

So I consulted my daughter. Emma, 19, is a 2018 graduate of the Visual Arts Center program at Albert Einstein High School in Kensington, Maryland. Aside from being a more talented artist than she gives herself credit for, she has a keen cynicism for how corporate America manipulates us with marketing. Emma is not at all interested in wine (or so she lets on), but she agreed to accompany me to three stores in Washington to pick out some wines at each that appealed to her just for the labels. I would buy the wines and then evaluate them from my jaded, wine-geek perspective.

We went to a Trader Joe's in Washington to sample inexpensive grocery store wines. Then we visited Domestique, a boutique shop specializing in natural wines, and Grand Cata, which features wines from South America, Spain and Portugal. Here are the wines she picked out, with her explanation of why she liked the labels.

The Delicious Monster 2018 from McGregor, South Africa. \$6 at Trader Joe's. Emma immediately spied this on the bottom shelf — not prime



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The label can sell the first bottle of wine, but it's the quality that will sell the second. Marketing is important to the success of winemaking.

real estate — and said, “Oh, this is so marketed to millennials.” The name refers to the monstera plant, which, to be honest, I'd never heard of. “The green-and-white label, the water color painting of the plant leaves, are very millennial,” Emma explained. The wine is 60% chenin blanc, with the rest chardonnay and muscat. It is pleasant and citrusy, with some floral notes. And at \$6, worth stocking up for a party or even a summer house white.

Lazy Bones Cabernet Franc 2017, Paso Robles, Calif. \$7 at Trader Joe's. The white-on-black label depicting a nude woman reclining on a sofa with a riot of pillows and check-

ered throws, lazily stroking a cat, appealed to Emma's artistic side. “It has a Matisse feel to it, and I like the way the lettering is integrated into the illustration,” she said. The wine is rather good, if simple. It has some of the white pepper, Bing cherry character of cabernet franc, with a moderate finish.

La Boutanche Melon 2016, Vin de France. \$19 at Domestique. “OK, I'm so predictable, but I just love French bulldogs,” Emma said, spying this wine almost as soon as we entered the store. “I also like cartoons,” she added. The drawing on this label shows a bulldog with an attitude, clutching a wine glass in one paw and a

bottle in its mouth, glowering at the viewer as if it suspected we might be hiding another treat in our hands. “It kind of looks like Danny DeVito,” Emma said. Melon is the grape of muscadet in the Loire Valley. This label tells us nothing of where the wine comes from, except for VDF for Vin de France. The wine doesn't reveal much either.

Cantina Indigeno Vino Rosato, Italy. \$23 at Domestique. This label stood out in part for negative reasons. “I like this drawing, though it doesn't make sense,” Emma said of the red-ink cartoon of several European-looking revelers raising their hands toward a Native American

totem pole emblazoned with the word Indigeno. “Why is an Italian wine using indigenous imagery?” This is not your typical rosé. Deep pink, almost red in color, and made with the Montepulciano grape, it is hazy and almost fizzy. It tastes a bit sour and vinegary, with bright cherry flavors. It's unconventional, and it tasted different with every sip. I liked some sips more than others.

Longavi Glup! Cinsault 2017, Itata Valley, Chile. \$25 at Grand Cata. “I like the name,” Emma said. And her eye caught a wine from one of Chile's most sought-after regions. The Itata Valley in southern Chile was where the Spanish first planted grape vines in the

1500s. Cinsault came later. While the label suggests a chuggable wine splashed about at a party, this wine rewards patience. I recommend decanting it for an hour, or at least letting the open bottle sit awhile before drinking. It features cherry and plum flavors, with wild herbs and an iodine quality that soars upward to enhance the fruit with a little time. There is also a Glup! Chenin blanc aged in amphorae.

Our limited sample shows that you can hit or miss when choosing wines by the label, but with the right company, you can have a lot of fun.

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5 new Chinatown finds

What you need to know about these restaurants, tea houses and dessert shops

BY LOUISA CHU,
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When we published our guide to dining in Chinatown, we focused on the heart of the neighborhood, then proceeded to test the limits of our appetites by dining at every establishment within our parameters. While we also covered other Chinese restaurants, a few notable places have opened since, or deserve a deeper dive. Here are mini reviews of five Chinatown restaurants, packed with fried chicken sandwiches, boba tea and surprising snacks, sweet and savory.

— Louisa Chu

ATE Music House

About a year ago my dog pulled me over to investigate a newly painted doorway in the shadow of the expressways overhead. We discovered a cavernous pool hall, sports bar and restaurant that would become ATE Music House. The staff explained it was a new project with private singing rooms in back, and eventually a performance stage up front, from the owners of Dolo, Adam and Jason Wu, who are best known for modern dim sum.

With such a promising lineage, had I discovered a new Chinatown hangout offering the holy trinity of good food, cocktails and karaoke?

That it took five separate visits to finally get a chance to taste the food was surely a sign from the Kitchen God. One time the restaurant was closed with no explanation, another the chef supposedly didn't show up. And even on my last visit, I had to wait an hour for food service to begin, three hours after the restaurant opened.

The confusion seemed to be shared by our server, who expressed genuine surprise when I asked for one of the empty tables ringing the empty hall on a Thursday night. After taking the order, she disappeared into the darkness. No kitchen door was in sight nor any cooking sounds or smells evident.

Perhaps our experience would have been different with the indifferent staff had we not passed on cocktails, which include a signature Music House Long Island (\$13) mixed with tequila, mezcal, vodka, gin, rum, yuzu juice and a splash of Coke (\$13). High rollers can splash out on four brands of \$499 bottles of booze, from Blue Label Johnnie Walker Scotch to 2009 Dom Perignon Champagne. Instead we nursed small bottles of San Pellegrino sparkling water (\$5).

Every dish was served lukewarm, except the crisp fried chicken wings (\$9), which probably meant everything else sat until those were ready. Not that heat would have helped the gristly beef (\$2) or lamb skewers (\$2), though a nice char might have saved the head-on shrimp (\$4) or even the store-bought sausages (\$2).

The best discovery may have been pouring the deeply soy-marinated chile cucumber salad (\$6) over the bland noodles with soybean paste (\$10), their flavors finding salvation in a leftovers box. For those unfamiliar with the area, the best part about a visit might be the restaurant's proximity to Park to Shop, one of my favorite supermarkets, or a reminder to go to Dolo, where the dim sum remains some of the best in Chinatown.

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Big Boss Spicy Fried Chicken

I took one bite of the chicken sandwich at this tiny Bridgeport spot and knew something was up. Chicago has a plethora of fried chicken options, and I've tried just about all of them, but none tastes anything remotely like chicken coming out of Big Boss Spicy Fried Chicken.

According to manager and chef Jassy Lee, Big Boss draws inspiration from Lee's upbringing in China, Nashville hot chicken and a kind of spicy chicken she learned to cook in Belize. I had no idea Chicago needed a Chinese/Nashville/Belizean fried chicken mashup, but the results are hard to dismiss.

Lee offers five spice levels, but if you think that going with level three is a reasonable choice, consider yourself warned. That level is named "Hot: burning hot," which is a pretty accurate description of the wickedly spicy sauce. But I'll also note that each bite is also wild and complex, thanks to a mix of seven chile varieties. So instead of a sharp



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Clockwise from top left, fried chicken, noodles, shrimp, cucumber salad and meat skewers at ATE Music House in Chinatown.



NICK KINDELSPERGER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Big Boss sandwich from Big Boss Spicy Fried Chicken features an oversize piece of crunchy, juicy chicken topped with jalapenos.



GRACE WONG/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

At Hello Jasmine, the popcorn chicken is made in the traditional Taiwanese way, with pieces of chicken marinated in five-spice powder.



LOUISA CHU/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The sausage with egg wrap and rousong (pork floss) at TSAoCAA tea and snack shop in Chinatown.

shot of pain, you get a wave of chile heat that blankets your whole mouth. It's also well-made fried chicken, with an extra-crunchy crust and absurdly juicy meat. Plus, there's a fascinating depth and sweetness that undercuts some of the spice, which makes this more than just a spicy dare.

You can order the chicken by the piece, but I'd spring for the Big Boss sandwich (\$8). The gargantuan creation features a piece of fried chicken so oversized, it hangs a good 2 inches off the side. It's topped with creamy coleslaw and sliced jalapenos, just in case it wasn't already spicy enough for you.

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Hello Jasmine

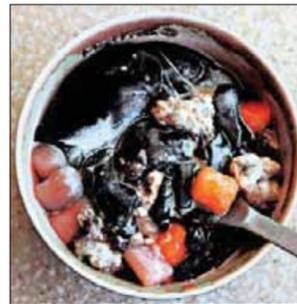
Whether it's the sleeping student in the corner, the chess strategy books neatly arranged on the shelves or the groups of young Asian Americans gossiping over skewered foods, Hello Jasmine

feels like the many boba shops I spent my time in as a college student in California.

The dining room is a clean, minimalist refuge that plays Taiwanese pop music quietly in the background. The tranquility is only broken by the sound of a machine shaking drinks or an employee calling out a ready order in Mandarin and English.

At Hello Jasmine, drinks are handmade with tea steeped each morning from imported Taiwanese tea leaves — no powdered mixes here. You'll find rich milk teas, refreshing fruit teas, trendy cheese teas and creamy cloud teas. Choose from a variety of toppings like boba, grass jelly, coconut jelly or taro paste in addition to adjusting your sugar and temperature level.

The cloud teas typically have a fruit base, such as strawberry, layered with a dreamy, creamy froth — think of it as a thicker latte foam that mixes slowly into your drink as you sip (\$5.75). If the tartness of a cheese top is unappealing to you, try the cloud tea



LOUISA CHU/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The signature grass jelly is available warm or cold at MeetFresh, a Taiwanese dessert restaurant.

for a milkier alternative. If I'm in the mood for a punchy, wake-me-up milk tea, my go-to is the brown sugar milk tea with boba (\$5.75) that has a bit of nuttiness to balance out the bitter tea and creamy milk. Looking for something a little more crisp and light? The lime passion fruit green tea (\$5.50) is a tropical vacation in every sip.

The food offerings are humble, but each one fulfills a very specific craving. The Taiwanese cold noodle tastes like the simple ones your mom threw together to help beat the heat (\$6.75) and the popcorn chicken (\$8.25) is a boba shop must, its savory five-spiced crunch a perfect foil to the sweet and sometimes creamy tea drinks. For some street food-inspired bites, go for the grilled Taiwanese sausage (\$5.25), that's sweet and savory and bursting from its casing, or the fried fish tofu, a tender block of fish cake (\$3.45).

Vegetarians should be sure to get the crispy grilled tofu with sweet-and-sour pickled cabbage (\$5.95).

With simple food offerings and flavorful teas coupled with a spacious and bright dining room, it's easy to see why Hello Jasmine has already become a staple in the ever-growing Chinatown community.

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MeetFresh

Legend has it that the elderly sister and brother Fu, founders of MeetFresh, grew up on a farm in Taiwan, an experience that led them eventually to using only all natural ingredients to make healthy desserts in their restaurant. The Fu siblings are only ever seen depicted in benevolent cartoon form overlooking MeetFresh. Founded in 2007, the dessert restaurant chain now has nearly 600 locations worldwide.

The first and only Chicago-area shop anchors the small strip mall on the other side of the Chinatown Red Line stop. It was opened early last year by Judy Luo, who also owns Peppercorns Kitchen, the terrific Sichuan restaurant in Evanston.

At MeetFresh, the sleek dining room, almost always crowded with clusters of teens and families, features a crazy rich menu with seemingly infinite variations on boba tea and shaved ice. Their true specialties, however, are the old-school bowls of signature grass jelly (\$8.95), served hot or cold.

When served cold, the bowl is

presented with a plastic coffee creamer cup on the side. Garnished with chewy taro balls, the grass jelly has a flavor comparable to a black tea Jell-O. Hidden beneath, you'll find grass jelly ice, which looks unfortunately like city slush, but tastes like tea.

When the dish is served warm, even I'll admit that the big bowl of black goo looks awful. The taro balls, sweet kidney beans and boba all sink to the bottom. A tiny dime bag of peanuts makes the scene all the more disturbing. Yet, delicately sweet, this silky slurpable concoction bewitchingly draws me and my Asian friends and family back for more.

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TSAoCAA

The shop does look pretty, with jade green midcentury modern chairs, white marble topped tables and a custom neon sign, all ready for your Instagram selfie. While TSAoCAA is a chain offering the latest creative boba tea trends, local owner Jack Shi purposefully posted his pre-opening process on the shop's Facebook page. Shi has tried to differentiate his menu from that of his neighbors in the same small strip mall, the venerable MeetFresh, and relative newcomer, Hello Jasmine.

The only location of TSAoCAA in the Chicago area opened early last December with cheesecake-flavored milk foam topped teas, French-inspired pastries and a few savory Asian snacks.

Over the course of half a dozen visits, regardless of the day of week or time of day, my first few choices have been sold out. I'd like to think I'm just that good at instinctively ordering the most popular items on the menu, but it speaks to the inconsistency so far.

The last time, after trying to order any of the four summer special fruit teas to no avail, then brown sugar latte or coffee black tea latte, I was finally able to try a lychee green tea with milk foam (\$6.25), loaded with floral fruit but too sweet, which can be adjusted by requesting your preferred sweetness level. When I asked for an espresso (\$2.25) with a side of soy milk, I overheard the counter person tell her coworker in Chinese that they were out of soy milk. They discussed giving me regular dairy milk anyway, which is what they did. Not a huge deal for me, and I gave them a pass since my other drink did have milk foam. But seriously, what if that had been for someone lactose intolerant?

On the same visit, at long last all the savory snacks were available too, they claimed. The sausage with egg wrap (\$3.50) allowed a choice of rousong, seaweed or bonito flakes. I chose the first option, aka pork floss or pork sung. But it was nothing like the sandwich I expected. A hot dog on a stick came cloaked in a veil of egg, showered with fluffy meat candy. The delightful style snack would have fared better without the cloying sauce.

Order carefully here and you may be rewarded for your patience. Maybe.

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Ocean Prime's second-floor dining room wraps around the building, offering spectacular views of the Loop.

Vettel

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ster bisque (thicker than it needs to be, especially in the summer), check. Shrimp cocktail, Caesar salad, iceberg wedge — check, check, check.

This is not necessarily a bad thing; the massive crab cake (check), with horseradish-mustard aioli and a tangle of dressed kale greens, is as good a crab cake as you'll find anywhere. (It's also available as an entree, but with a different preparation.)

The signature salad is a jumble of romaine and other greens, tossed with plenty of thinly sliced apple, goat-cheese crumbles and walnut, bound together with a sherry-mustard vinaigrette. Steak tartare looks the part and has potential, but the mix is so heavy on the capers that the acidity level almost burns.

Main courses are pricey. Fish are in the \$40s, shellfish \$52 and \$65 (not counting the market-price shellfish tower, which is custom-assembled). But they're not lonesome on the plate; there's nearly always a vegetable or two along for the ride.

So the very good Florida grouper arrives with crisped potatoes, shallots and a lemon-caper reduction, and medium-rare, spicy-glazed tuna is matched to a salad strewn with mango, avocado and cashews. Sea scallops sit on Parmesan risotto; teriyaki salmon, on shiitake sticky rice.

Blackened snapper is really bronzed, not fully blackened, but the spice level is distinct, aided by the jalapeno butter sauce underneath. The firm flesh works nicely against the crisp snap of the haricots verts and the silky-smoothness of the corn pudding. The accompanying tartar sauce is best skipped, a pedestrian add-on that's more a distraction than anything else.

On the landlubber side, there are six "Prime Steaks" (that's the heading; only the New York strip and rib-eye are actually USDA prime, said Shelley, though the Kansas City strip is dry-aged) and three chops and chicken options. The New York strip I ordered was flawless.

For dessert, there's a very good Key lime tart — virtually de rigueur for seafood restaurants — with berries and raspberry sauce, and a New York-style cheesecake topped with cherries.

Service is terrific — smart, personable, prompt and knowing.

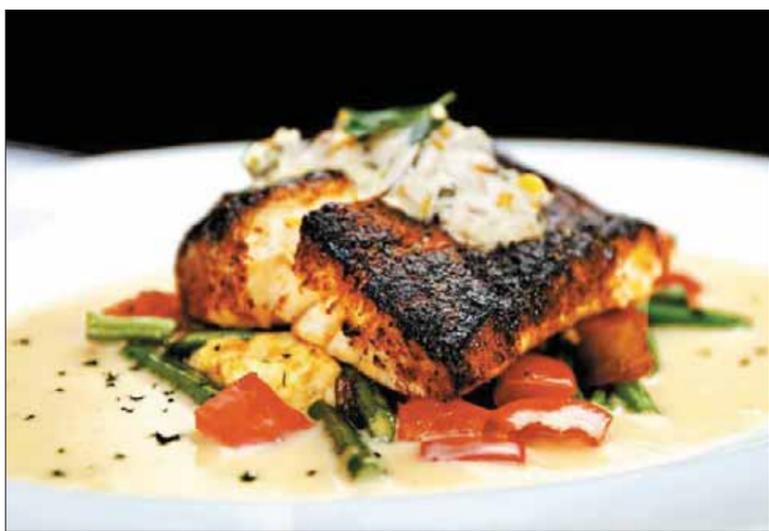
There's an extensive wine list, and a good number of by-the-glass options, including some premium pours.

Cocktails are a strength; the showstopper is the Berries & Bubbles, a vodka and sparkling wine drink with marinated berries and enough dry ice to keep the cocktail smoking for 10 minutes or more. Less showy, but solid, are the Woodford Reserve Manhattan and a refreshing cucumber gimlet.

Ocean Prime offers a lot of off-hours inducements. The bar's happy hour (4-6 p.m. Monday-Friday) features half-priced appetizers, oysters, sushi rolls



The crabcake appetizer is served with horseradish-mustard aioli.



The blackened snapper over haricot verts has a notable level of spice.



The Berries & Bubbles cocktail with marinated berries and billows of dry ice.

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Prices: Seafood entrees \$32-\$65

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Ratings key: Four stars, outstanding; three stars, excellent; two stars, very good; one star, good; no stars, unsatisfactory. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.

(there are a half-dozen on the menu) and selected by-the-glass wines and cocktails. There's a two-course, \$35 lunch that includes a couple of carry-out cookies, and a three-course, \$65 pre-theater menu (4-6 p.m. daily). The weekly Sunday Supper features a surf-and-turf entree and discounted wines.

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"We're a seafood-forward concept that does great steak," says executive chef Jason Shelley, who is the steakhouse chain's Chicago operating partner.

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Philz Coffee serves unique experience, but no espresso

BY STEVE ZIMMERMAN

News of a new coffee shop in Wicker Park may not raise an eyebrow for many Chicagoans. After all, there are 11 in a swath between North Avenue and Division Street alone.

But the opening of Philz Coffee along the crowded Division corridor in June, the first of four planned in the Chicago area this summer, offers more than just coffee. It delivers a coffee experience for about \$5.

So what separates Philz from others? It's a coffee shop with the vibe of a lively cocktail bar. There's no extensive menu of lattes and blended drinks as has become the industry norm. Instead, there's a straightforward lineup of coffees, 12 blends in all, served hot or iced, and every cup is brewed and sweetened to order.

And when they say made to order, Philz means it. There are no carafes or holding tanks of hot coffee. Every cup is served as a modified pour-over, with the beans ground and steeped while you wait at the counter, but only after a conversation with a team of baristas. Instead of waiting for you to order, baristas start conversations to match customers with flavor profiles.

Service is a priority at San Francisco-based Philz and the backbone of the franchise, which has grown to 60 locations in California, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

"We just try to make the perfect cup for each person," said Jacob Jaber, CEO of Philz and son of the iconic founder, Phil, whose fedora serves as one of the coffee chain's trademarks.

Philz also sells whole bean coffee and a range of teas, from traditional black, green and chai to Istanbul Treat and herbal mint. The food menu elevates above the muffin-and-bagel fare visitors may expect, with



Philz Coffee exclusively uses a pour-over brewing process for its coffees and features 12 signature blends.

avocado and egg toast that's an eye-catcher, almond butter and jam toast and a protein energy bowl, all prepared on-site. Pastries are prepared by Aya Pastries and Fabiana's Bakery.

Phil Jaber crafted the company's signature coffee blends, starting with Tesora, the foundational roast he created in 2003 with notes of caramel and nuts. Other notables include Philharmonic (medium roast, maple notes) and Philtered Soul (medium, hazelnut), and range from the light, citrus New Manhattan to more daring dark and rich Turkish. Several are served with cardamom and a fresh mint leaf, including the Turkish. Garnishes such as mint add to the cocktail feel and separate Philz from other chains and local shops.

The atmosphere at Philz also is different. Inside, its more neighborhood hang-out than coffee workspace and it can be raucous. The mix of eclectic and pub tables, retro couches and

"I just want everyone to walk away with a coffee that fits their taste."

— Jacob Jaber, Philz CEO

bar stools gives the cafe a food-hall feel and feeds into a more lively and conversational experience.

So does the showmanship.

After taking an order, baristas wheel around the counter to access a bank of bins filled with whole beans, grind them fresh for each cup and add hot water (heated to about 200 degrees for best extraction) with a high-pour flair into filter-and-coffee lined canisters. Then after the brewing time is up, circulate the coffee cup-to-cup to slightly cool it to a drinkable temperature and ensure a balanced flavor. There's clearly a perform-



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Erika Mendoza delivers hot water to a pour-over coffee during the June opening of Chicago's first Philz Coffee location at 1642 W. Division St.

ance element to the service.

Brew time for each coffee is about four minutes. Drinks are topped with milk or cream and sweetened to order — no milk-and-sugar stand here — and customers are asked to taste them before sliding over to pay.

"Our concept — always — is to personalize the experience for everyone," Jacob Jaber said.

"I just want everyone to walk away with a coffee that fits their taste."

On a recent visit, a barista offered brewed samples before going ahead with the final order.

Another option is ordering coffee Philz Way, with brown sugar and medium cream. It's recommended and really gives drinks a distinctive depth and richness.

"It is different," Jaber said, "but people love it."

Zack Schwartz, a casual coffee drinker who lives nearby, admits he's primarily a latte-and-espresso drinker — two items not on the Philz menu — and ac-

customed to not adding milk and sweeteners to drinks, but was satisfied with the Philz approach.

"Coming in, I didn't know what to expect," said Schwartz, who has visited many of the shops in the area, including Intelligentsia and Fairgrounds. "I appreciate the friction and interaction. You're forced to engage and that's really good and personalizes the experience."

He said the interaction quickly built his trust in the baristas to deliver a drink to his taste. His first order was a mocha that used the Tesora blend.

"That was the biggest trip-up — no espresso," Schwartz said.

"But I understand the reasoning behind it," he added, referring to the company's mission to focus solely on pour-over coffee.

The Wicker Park Philz, the first location in the Midwest, opened June 22 with long lines and curious looks from passersby. On subsequent weekday visits, crowds abated a bit and

wait times eased, but the social vibe remained the same with music as a subtle backdrop. On weekends, lines still creep onto Division Street.

Future locations, scheduled to open later this summer, include Hyde Park, Lincoln Park and Evanston. The buzz around the first cafe has Jaber optimistic Philz can hold its own in a saturated Chicago coffee market.

"I've never been to a more enthusiastic opening," Jaber said. "So many people (already) knew about us. My expectations were exceeded."

Now open: Wicker Park, 1642 W. Division St., 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Future openings: Hyde Park, 1425 E. 53rd St.; Lincoln Park, 2323 N. Lincoln Ave.; Evanston, 1030 Davis St.

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Tips on how to choose and use a blender

BY BECKY KRYSAL
The Washington Post

A blender was one of my first countertop appliances, proudly displayed in my first apartment.

That's more years ago than I prefer to calculate at this point. Even now, though, as I've acquired many (too many?) more appliances and gadgets, a blender — that original one did eventually burn out — still earns its keep, and cabinet space.

I'm not the only fan. You'll find no greater evangelist than Tess Masters, aka Blender Girl, the blogger and cookbook author who says on her website that "the blender is the greatest culinary gift that we have been given since fire and spoons." Masters does not come to play.

Whether you agree or are perhaps a little less intense about your love for this handy appliance, here are some tips on buying and using it.

Buying

"Buying a blender is like buying a car, particularly if you use it all the time," says Masters, who also serves as the global ambassador for KitchenAid blenders. You have a lot to choose from, in terms of capabilities and price. Consider how often you intend to use the blender, as well as what you want to make in it. Like Masters, America's Test Kitchen groups blenders (focusing

on standard countertop, as opposed to immersion or personal here) in three tiers:

Inexpensive/entry-level (\$60 to \$99): If you're mostly thinking about smoothies, sauces and the occasional frozen drink, an inexpensive blender is probably fine, although it typically won't last as long.

Mid-priced (\$100 to \$300): Moving into the mid-priced models will give you smoother results and let you break down tough, fibrous foods, as well as make nut butters.

High-end/high-power (\$400 to \$700): These blenders (Vitamix being the most well-known brand) may come with additional features, such as heating soup and juicing. ATK found that some of them — fancy screens, presets and specialty features (blender ice cream, anyone?) — did not pay off.

Regardless of the scope of your needs and budget, there are features to assess across the board. A blender works by creating a vortex that continuously sucks food down to the blade. ATK says that a narrow jar, as well as ribs on the inside of the jar, facilitate that. Wider jars need to be scraped down more often, cause the food to ricochet more off the sides and create frothier purees. Look for buttons and controls that are easy to use and



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"Buying a blender is like buying a car, particularly if you use it all the time," says Tess Masters, aka Blender Girl.

clean. Take into account weight, both of the base and jar; plastic is the lighter option. Weight is especially important if you plan to store your blender somewhere other than the counter. If you do want to leave it out on the counter, measure the space under your cabinets and look at the appliance specs. Consumer Reports says models 17 inches and shorter will fit under most standard 18-inch cabinets — at least if you plan to store it assembled.

What to make

A blender "levels the playing field in the kitchen," Masters says, letting you produce quick, easy food with very little time or skill. "I think it's a really, really great tool to empower novice cooks and children and people who aren't particularly confident in the kitchen."

Sometimes it's as easy as

hitting a single button before you're on your way to a smoothie for breakfast or gazpacho for dinner. Blenders give a smooth texture you'd never be able to get by hand. Crushing ice? No problem! Plus you get "fantastic homogenization of flavor," Masters says, meaning distinct flavors come together as one.

Purees: A short list of other no-brainers: Dressing, mayo, crepe batter and purees for baby food.

Salads and soups: Pulse ingredients for a chunky consistency, such as for a fresh summer salsa. Even if you are blending a soup, you don't have to make it completely smooth, or you can puree a portion of the ingredients and stir in others that have been merely chopped to add back some texture.

Flours: KitchenAid global product manager Kate

Crow says a blender can also be used to create your own flours, including rice and oat. Speaking of oats, save yourself a bit of money and make your own oat milk.

Spices: In "101 Blender Drinks," Kim Haasrud endorses the blender for grinding spices (30 seconds, make sure the jar is very dry) and whipping cream (10 to 15 seconds, and don't let it turn to butter).

Use it smartly

First, always read the manual. That's the best way to know how your particular model works. It may very well save you headache and heartache — and money.

I will admit to being the kind of person who used to put ice in first when making a blender smoothie. But Masters recommends adding the liquid first, followed by your base ingredients

(powders, produce, nuts, etc.) and then anything frozen. With the liquid on the bottom, you can begin to create that vortex to more efficiently blend the ingredients.

If you don't have a high-end blender, you may first want to soak tougher ingredients. Masters includes foods such as sun-dried tomatoes, dates and nuts in that category. It's also smart to at least give your ingredients a rough chop before tossing them into the blender.

Don't fill your blender more than three-quarters full, or past whatever the maximum fill line is on your jar.

You may want to only go half-full when it comes to hot soup to prevent any accidents. It's also smart to let the soup cool slightly before blending. Then to be safe, remove the cap before blending (so it doesn't blow off) and cover the hole with a dish towel.

Corn

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ble Trucker's Delight. But they are the very devil to find.

As Americans have cultivated palates that prefer sugar over all other flavors, farmers find their customers prefer the supersweet and sugary-enhanced varieties. These hybrids, conventionally bred so their sugars are high and take longer to convert into starch, hold and ship better, too. They are not genetically engineered.

Some new varieties, however, have been bred to allow the use of Round-up and other pesticides. If the grower tells you the name of the variety is some combination of letters and numbers, that's probably the case. Ask the grower if you can.

Some varieties are bet-

ter for freezing and canning than others. Gotta Have It freezes well, but Temptress, bred to have tender kernels with thin skins, may turn mushy after freezing. Again, ask the grower if you can.

How to freeze

Freezing corn is the easiest way to preserve it. It may be frozen as whole ears, in the husks, without blanching. After freezing, cook it, still in the husks, in the microwave for 3 to 4 minutes on high. Let it cool a bit before shucking. If you prefer to freeze it on the cob without the husks, blanch medium-size ears for 7 to 8 minutes and cool immediately in an ice-water bath. Then freeze.

Blanch kernels cut from the ears, too; blanch the whole ears for about 4 minutes, cool immediately, then cut the kernels from the ears. If you tum-

ble the kernels onto a rimmed backing sheet and freeze before packing in zip-close bags, you'll find it easier to portion out the frozen corn later.

How to can

Canning corn must be done in a pressure canner for food safety reasons (the exceptions are vinegary relishes such as the one we offer here). Pints need to process for 55 minutes; quarts for 85 minutes. It's best to consult a canning resource such as the National Center for Home Food Preservation (nchfp.uga.edu) for specifics. Note that supersweet and sugary-enhanced varieties may brown a little from the caramelization of their sugars in the canner.

Robin Mather is a longtime food journalist. Her third book, "The Feast of the Dove," will be published later this year.

Green chile- cheese-corn spoon bread

Prep: 35 minutes **Cook:** 35 minutes **Makes:** 6 to 8 servings

Spoon bread is a longtime Southern favorite. This version gets a double hit of corn flavor from cornmeal and fresh corn kernels. It's very good as a side dish with grilled or roasted chicken, pork or fish. Try using other cheeses in this as well: grated cheddar, while completely different, gives an excellent result.

3 medium ears sweet corn, to yield about 1 1/2 cups kernels

2 cups milk

2/3 cup cornmeal

2 tablespoons butter

3/4 teaspoon coarse or sea salt

1/2 teaspoon hot sauce, such as Tabasco or Frank's, or more to taste

2 teaspoons dried oregano, crumbled

1/2 cup shredded pepper-jack cheese

1 can (4 ounces) hot or mild diced green chiles, drained

4 eggs, separated

1. Heat oven to 350. Grease a heavy 10-inch skillet or an 8-inch square baking dish. Cut the kernels from the ears of corn and set aside.

2. Mix milk, cornmeal, butter, salt, hot sauce and oregano in medium saucepan. Bring just to a boil over medium heat. Reduce heat to medium-low; simmer until slightly thickened, stirring frequently, 2 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in cheese, chiles and corn kernels. Let stand until slightly cooled, 10 to 15 minutes.

3. Beat egg yolks in a small bowl. Stir into cornmeal mixture. Beat egg whites in a medium bowl with an electric mixer on high speed until soft peaks form. Stir one fourth of the egg whites into the cornmeal mixture until well mixed. Gently fold in remaining egg whites. Pour into skillet or baking dish.

4. Bake until top is browned and center is slightly loose (a knife inserted into center comes out clean), 25 to 30 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

Nutrition information per serving (for 8 servings): 193 calories, 9 g fat, 5 g saturated fat, 112 mg cholesterol, 20 g carbohydrates, 4 g sugar, 9 g protein, 359 mg sodium, 2 g fiber

Corn-zucchini-cheese souffle

Prep: 50 minutes **Stand:** 30 minutes

Cook: 45-50 minutes **Makes:** about 10 servings

This simplified souffle relies on the creaminess of the melted cheese to thicken its base, rather than a flour-based roux. Like all souffles, it will deflate if it stands too long after cooking, so serve it hot from the oven. Pro tip: Dig out your tube pan or bundt pan when you cut the kernels off the cob; stand the cob upright in the center hole, and the kernels will fall into the pan as you cut.

2 medium ears sweet corn, to yield about 1 cup kernels

2 medium zucchini (about 1 1/2 pounds), grated

2 1/2 teaspoons salt, divided use

2 green onions, thinly sliced

6 large eggs

1/4 teaspoon each: pepper, grated nutmeg

1 1/4 cups half-and-half or whole milk

1 cup cubed cambozola, fontina or Brie cheese



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1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 2 1/2-quart souffle dish; dust lightly with flour. Cut corn from cobs; place kernels in a large bowl.

2. Place zucchini in a colander set into the sink; sprinkle with 1 teaspoon salt; toss. Let stand, 30 minutes. Rinse and drain well; blot dry with paper towels or wring in a clean cloth towel. Add zucchini and green onions to corn kernels.

3. Meanwhile, separate eggs; let stand at room temperature, 30 minutes. After standing time, beat egg yolks well in a small bowl. Add to corn-zucchini mixture.

4. Stir in the remaining 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, plus pepper and nutmeg; gradually stir in half-and-half or milk. Stir in cheese.

5. In a large bowl, beat egg whites with an electric mixer on high speed until stiff but not dry. Gently stir a fourth of the egg whites into the corn mixture. Fold in remaining egg whites. Transfer to prepared dish.

6. Bake until top is puffed and center appears set, 45-50 minutes. Serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving: 158 calories, 11 g fat, 6 g saturated fat, 137 mg cholesterol, 7 g carbohydrates, 2 g sugar, 10 g protein, 520 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Grilled corn relish

Prep: 40 minutes **Cook:** 45 minutes **Makes:** Four 8-ounce jars, or about 4 1/2 cups

This is an old-timey corn relish, the kid-friendly kind you put on sandwiches and hot dogs. It's also good as a piquant side to any summer supper. You'll have enough for yourself and some to share. Instead of finely chopping the vegetables by hand, you can do so in a food processor or blender, in batches.

5 ears of corn, shucked

1 large onion, finely chopped

1 green pepper, stemmed, seeded, finely chopped

1/4 head cabbage, finely chopped

1 cup cider vinegar

2 tablespoons each: salt, flour

1/2 teaspoon each: dry mustard powder, celery seed, mustard seed

1/4 teaspoon turmeric

1/2 cup sugar

1. Grill or broil the ears, turning frequently, until the kernels have begun to char, 10-12 minutes. Cut kernels from cobs. Set corn aside, discarding cobs.

2. Place corn and chopped vegetables in a large pot. Pour 1/2 cup vinegar over vegetables. Moisten salt, flour, mustard powder, celery seed, mustard seed and turmeric with remaining 1/2 cup vinegar; stir to combine. Stir into vegetable mixture, along with the sugar.

3. Over medium-high heat, bring mixture to a boil; reduce heat to a gentle boil and cook, stirring occasionally, 30 minutes. Allow to cool before storing in the fridge in covered containers.

4. This relish will keep up to six weeks in the refrigerator. For longer storage, follow canning instructions below.

5. Ladle corn relish into clean, hot 8-ounce jars. Wipe rims. Apply lids. Process in boiling-water bath for 15 minutes, beginning timing when water in canner returns to a full rolling boil. Remove canner lid. Let stand 5 minutes, then remove jars, cool and store.

Nutrition information per tablespoon: 55 calories, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 12 g carbohydrates, 7 g sugar, 1 g protein, 782 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

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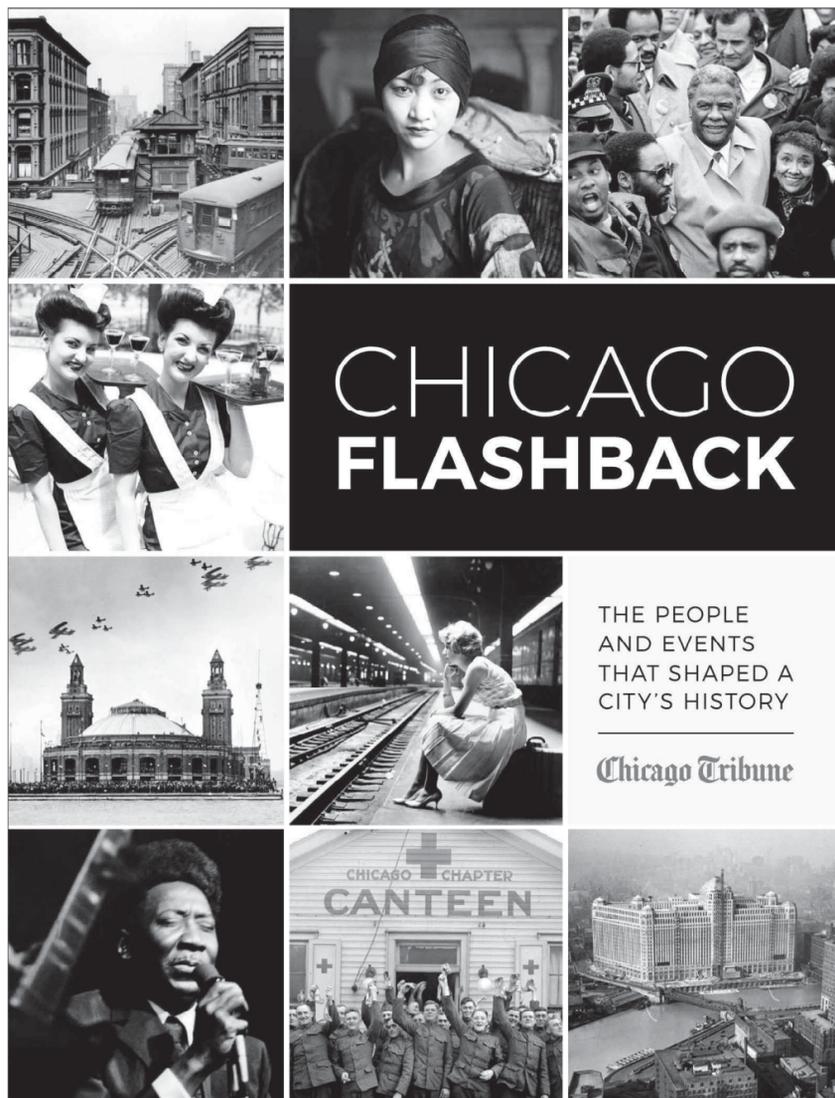
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