



## Despite protests, Westlake poised to close

Hospital had filed for bankruptcy; another court hearing scheduled

BY LISA SCHENCKER

After months of protests and legal wrangling, Westlake Hospital appeared closer than ever to shutting down Friday, to the disappointment of employees and community members who fought to keep it open.

The possible closure comes just days after Westlake filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. An internal memo distributed earlier in the week said inpatients were to be

transferred out of the hospital by 3 p.m. Friday.

Friday morning, a Cook County judge declined to rule on a bid by the village of Melrose Park to penalize the hospital's owners for planning to wind down operations. Another court hearing is scheduled for next week.

A spokesman for the hospital's owner, Pipeline Health, said he didn't have information Friday afternoon about when the hospital might officially wind down. An attempt to reach the bankruptcy trustee in charge of the hospital was not immediately successful Friday afternoon.

The hospital's emergency de-

partment waiting room was empty Friday afternoon and employees seemed unsure if and when the hospital would shutter for good.

Westlake had 40 patients as of Aug. 1 and 550 employees as of Aug. 2, according to Westlake's bankruptcy filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Delaware. In that filing, Westlake said it was 80% empty in July and lost as much as \$2.7 million that month. Between February and April, about 45 employees resigned, forcing Westlake to rely on temporary staffing, the filing stated.

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A spokesman for Pipeline Health, which owns Westlake Hospital, said Friday he didn't have information on when it will officially wind down.

Before she died, his wife planned out her memorial tour; now he's following it to a T — college bars and all



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chuck Wagner visits the American Girl store on North Michigan Avenue in Chicago. The store was important for his wife, Lorraine, who collected dolls. As Lorraine's health began to decline, she laid out memorial plans for her husband and their children.

## An unbelievable life, a sentimental journey

Lorraine Wagner had it all planned out. Where she wanted her husband and kids to visit after she died. Where she wanted memorial celebrations held. Who should be invited. What prayers should be recited. Where she wanted her ashes to be spread.

"Down to a gnat's eyebrow," Chuck Wagner, her husband, told me.

After Lorraine passed away in May 2018 at age 73, after close to a decade with achalasia, a condition that closes off the esophagus, Chuck set to work living out her wishes. Sometimes alone. Often with Steve, their son, who lives near his dad in Tucson, Arizona. Sometimes with Laura, their daughter, who lives in Sacramento, California.

Hawaii was the first destination. Chuck and Lorraine met



HEIDI STEVENS  
*Balancing Act*

there in July 1968 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. Chuck was stationed at Hickam Air Force Base. Lorraine was on vacation from her teaching job in Florida.

"I asked my friend why he wasn't dancing with the beautiful woman sitting next to him," Chuck said. "He replied, 'She doesn't dance.' Lorraine added, 'I'd be glad to dance with you.'"

They were married the following June.

Forty-nine years later, in

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CHUCK WAGNER PHOTO

Lorraine and Chuck Wagner were married in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, in June 1969.

## Trump behind tougher gun laws

Dems skeptical of his commitment on background checks

BY ZEKE MILLER AND DEB RIECHMANN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Friday he believes he has influence to rally Republicans around stronger federal background check laws as Congress and the White House work on a response to last weekend's mass shootings in Texas and Ohio.

At the same time, Trump said he had assured the National Rifle Association that its gun rights views would be "fully represented and respected."

He said he was hopeful the NRA would not be an obstacle to strengthening the nation's gun laws.

Trump has promised to lead on tougher gun control measures before, including after the 2018 Parkland, Florida, school shooting, but little has come of it.

His comments in the wake of the Ohio and Texas massacres marked his most optimistic and supportive words in favor of more stringent gun laws, though he left the details vague, and it remained to be seen how much political capital Trump would throw behind marshaling Republicans on the issue.

He said Friday that he is looking for "very meaningful background checks" but is not considering a resurrection of an assault weapons ban.

He said he also believes lawmakers will support "red flag" laws that allow guns to be removed from those who may be a danger to themselves and others.

"I see a better feeling right now toward getting something meaningful done," Trump told reporters when asked why the political environment was different now.

"I have a greater influence now over the Senate and the House," he said at the White House.

Democrats and others have been skeptical of Trump's commitment to genuine gun

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## Lightfoot goes on national TV with criticism of posts

Appearing on national cable news this week, Mayor Lori Lightfoot renewed her criticism of Ivanka Trump's tweets about Chicago's violence over last weekend and called for Congress to pass tougher gun control measures. In Chicago, 55 people were shot over the weekend, seven of them fatally. **Page 4**

## Deaths of 30-plus Shedd stingrays remain a mystery

Fish perished early in year, have been replaced

BY ALEJANDRO SERRANO

More than 30 stingrays died at the Shedd Aquarium early this year, but officials have not figured out why and have replaced the fish with catches from the Gulf of Mexico.

Aquarium officials first observed odd behavior among the

rays at the end of January during routine checks, they wrote in a blog post. The fish were monitored, but nothing unusual was found, they said.

The rays died not long afterward — 34 of the aquarium's 42 cownose stingrays. The aquarium's animal health team consulted experts throughout the country, including the Association of Zoos and Aquariums that accredits the Shedd.

They reviewed operations of

the indoor tanks, conducted water tests and examined the environment and food, but aquarium officials could not reach any conclusions about what caused the deaths, they said in a blog post dated March 16 and published on the aquarium's website with the headline, "Our purpose privilege and ultimate challenge."

"No conclusive determination of what caused the event is so disheartening and frustrating," Johnny Ford, a spokesman for the

aquarium, wrote in an email this week. "But we also recognize that at times the natural world will continue to challenge us with things yet to be discovered."

By mid-March, the remaining cownose rays had been stabilized under clinical care, the aquarium said.

The rays that died were replaced with ones "humanely and sustainably" caught in the Gulf of

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## WHITE SOX, BY THE DECADES

To be a White Sox fan is to know the highest of highs, the lowest of lows and all points in between. "The Chicago Tribune Book of the Chicago White Sox: A Decade-by-Decade History" touches all those bases and covers more than a century of South Side baseball. At over 300 pages, it's filled with great features and profiles, plus stunning images from the Tribune's award-winning photojournalists.

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## Remains of soldier killed in Afghanistan come home

Shawn Gregoire, center, mother of Sgt. Army Spc. Michael I. Nance, and family members watch as a U.S. Army carry team moves the transfer case containing the remains of Nance during a dignified transfer at Midway Airport in Chicago on Friday. Nance, who was from Chicago, was killed by an apparent insider attack by an Afghan army soldier while participating in Operation Freedom's Sentinel in Tirin Kot, Uruzgan province.

## Trump

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control, judging from past experience.

But he said he was behind it.

"The Republicans are going to be great and lead the charge along with the Democrats," he declared, saying he had spoken with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell whom he proclaimed to be "totally on board."

But McConnell thus far has only committed to a discussion of the issue.

Republicans have long opposed expanding background checks — a bill passed by the Democratic-led House is stalled in McConnell's Senate — but they face new pressure after the shootings in El Paso, Texas, and Dayton, Ohio, that left 31 people dead.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer tweeted in response Friday that McConnell must bring up the House-passed legislation,

which Trump had previously threatened to veto.

"To get anything meaningful done to address gun violence, we need his commitment to hold a Senate vote on the House-passed background checks legislation," Schumer said.

As for the NRA, which has contributed millions to help Trump and other Republicans, the gun lobby's chief executive, Wayne LaPierre, said this week that some federal gun control proposals "would make millions of law-abiding Americans less safe and less able to defend themselves and their loved ones."

But Trump said he had spoken with LaPierre this week and "I think in the end, Wayne and the NRA will either be there or either be a little more neutral."

"Frankly, I really think they're going to get there also," he added.

On Thursday, McConnell said he now wants background checks and other action, setting up a potentially pivotal moment when lawmakers return in the fall.

The Republican leader won't be calling senators back to work early, as some are demanding.

But he told a Kentucky radio station that Trump called him Thursday and they talked about several ideas.

The president, he said, is "anxious to get an outcome and so am I."

"What we can't do is fail to pass something," McConnell said.

McConnell said he and Trump discussed background checks and "red flag" laws. "Those are two items that for sure will be front and center as we see what we can come together on and pass," McConnell told Louisville's WHAS-AM.

Traveling with Trump to New York, Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said he intended to discuss the issue with the president. Graham said he is in favor of a state-run list system that would prohibit certain people from buying guns.

"I just think the space to do nothing is gone," he said.

"And that's a good thing."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Schumer said Trump assured them Thursday that he will review the House-passed bill that would expand federal background checks for firearm sales.

In a joint statement, they said Trump called them individually after Pelosi sent a letter asking the president to order the Senate back to Washington to consider gun measures.

Schumer and Pelosi said they told Trump the best immediate step would be for the Senate to take up and pass the House bill.

Trump, they said, "understood our interest in moving as quickly as possible to help save lives."

The politics of gun control are shifting amid the frequency and toll of mass shootings.

Spending to support candidates backing tougher gun control measures — mostly Democrats — surged in the 2018 midterms, even as campaign spending by the NRA declined.

## Stingrays

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Mexico near Tampa, Florida, "where populations are abundant," Ford said.

While the deaths were posted on a blog, no news media reported on them. The aquarium did not issue a news release or alert as it has done in other instances of deaths at the Shedd.

The head of Fins and Fluke, an animal rights group that has held protests at the Shedd, learned of the deaths from the Tribune.

"That is extremely alarming," said Alex Lewis, president and co-founder of the group. "It's just a waste of life. ... They could quite frankly be living much longer and happier if they weren't living in tanks."

The aquarium has 100



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Thirty-four of Shedd Aquarium's 42 cownose stingrays died this year. Officials have yet to determine the reason.

freshwater and marine rays. The cownose rays are featured in its Stingray Touch exhibit, a shallow pool that is opened during the summer months and allows visitors to dip their hands into the water. Officials have been testing the exhibit twice a day since it opened Memorial Day, Ford said.

The Association of Zoos and Aquariums said it was satisfied with Shedd's actions.

"We are confident the professionals at Shedd have done all they can to investigate and identify what happened, and that they continue to monitor the habitat," spokesman Rob Vernon said.

Aquarium officials sent water samples to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Office of Coastal Studies for a biotoxin analysis. They also sent tissue samples to the University of Illinois Col-

lege of Veterinary Medicine's zoological pathology program for bacterial, fungal, viral and parasitic clues.

Karen Terio, chief of the University of Illinois program, said her lab tested the samples and "there was no evidence of anything infectious, contagious or inflammatory." She deferred further comment to aquarium officials.

Aquarium officials said they also reached out to a local company known for its water quality testing and treatment but that the tests yielded no conclusions.

Within two days of having test results, officials posted the findings in the blog post, which they have done in the past, Ford said.

Cownose rays are common in accredited aquariums, and caring for them doesn't present many challenges, he said.

However, the Brookfield Zoo has experienced two large-scale deaths of rays in

the past 11 years.

In July 2015, 54 rays in the zoo's "Stingray Bay" exhibit died after a malfunction caused oxygen levels to drop, zoo officials said at the time. In July 2008, 16 stingrays died when the water temperature in a pool rose by 10 degrees and a cooling system failed, officials said.

A veterinarian for the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals was particularly critical of touch exhibits.

"Few exhibits are deadlier than a touch tank," said Dr. Heather Rally. "The animals can't escape the groping hands that pollute the water with bacteria, and a single malfunction can suffocate or poison dozens of animals in one go. PETA urges visitors to keep their hands — and their children — away from these cesspools of suffering."

But the Shedd published research in 2017 that did not find any negative health impacts to the fish in touch exhibits.

Steve Hindi, head of the group Showing Animals Respect and Kindness who has protested at the Shedd in the past, said "we really shouldn't be surprised by this."

Hindi said today's technology makes looking at animals online better than viewing them through glass. "It's never been more wrong than today," he said. "It's unnecessary. It's cruel. ... It's a waste of people's time."

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## Officer testifies he thought teen shot at him

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN

A Chicago police officer who fatally shot a black teen in a South Side backyard in 2016 testified Friday he believed the male had fired at him moments earlier during a chaotic, high-speed car chase that ended in a collision with his police SUV.

"I was convinced wholeheartedly that he had fired upon me previously, had tried to hurt us with the vehicle," Officer Jose Diaz said during the second day of a Chicago Police Board hearing into the fatal police shooting of 18-year-old Paul O'Neal.

The gunfire had actually come from Officers Michael Coughlin Jr. and Jose Torres as both shot at the fleeing stolen Jaguar in the direction of an oncoming squad car containing Diaz.

After O'Neal crashed the Jaguar into Diaz's police SUV, he tried to flee on foot in the residential block in the South Shore neighborhood.

Diaz gave the suspect "multiple verbal commands to stop and show me his hand," he testified, but O'Neal ignored him. "Eventually after giving him multiple commands to stop, I fired at him," Diaz said. "I defended myself."

It wasn't until he reviewed videos and records that Diaz realized he had fired five times at O'Neal, he said. O'Neal was struck once in the back and died. He was unarmed.

In a twist, police Superintendent Eddie Johnson is seeking to dismiss Coughlin and Torres for recklessly firing at the fleeing Jaguar, but not Diaz for firing the shot that killed O'Neal. The hearing was continued until September for more evidence and testimony. The Police Board will likely decide the officers' fate months later.

Also Friday, former Rockford police Chief Chet Epperson, an expert witness hired by the city, concluded that Coughlin and Tor-

res acted recklessly by firing at the fleeing Jaguar, creating a danger for themselves and others. Even if they had succeeded in shooting the driver, the car "turns into a missile," Epperson testified. "That vehicle is not going to stop unless it crashes into something else."

The Police Department argues that the gunfire could have wounded other officers responding to the scene or the underage passenger in O'Neal's car.

Coughlin fired nine shots and Torres one shot at the car.

The hearing started Thursday with Coughlin and Torres testifying that they feared for their lives when they opened fire. Coughlin said he initially thought the Jaguar had run over his partner, while Torres, who managed to dodge the car, testified he thought the car was going to hit him.

In his testimony Friday, Diaz said he and his partner had been assigned that evening shift in July 2016 to look for suspects in a child

abuse case when they came across the Jaguar. They gave chase after learning the car had been reported stolen but lost it in traffic. They headed toward the 7300 block of South Merrill Avenue after hearing on their police radio that other officers had spotted the Jaguar.

A video played during the hearing Friday showed the officers driving on Merrill as the Jaguar sped toward them. "Get down," Diaz's partner could be heard saying in the video.

Epperson said body camera video showed Coughlin taking his weapon out of his holster before his squad car pulled to a stop — a move he said he had never before seen by an officer.

Attorneys for the two officers sought to shift attention to O'Neal but were blocked by the hearing officer from talking about his background after a tense exchange with city attorneys.

Epperson testified that he found no evidence that either

Coughlin or Torres suspected O'Neal was armed, only that he was driving a stolen car. O'Neal "was simply a property crime offender," he said.

Epperson said the body camera video even raised questions whether Coughlin really believed his partner had been struck by the Jaguar. Coughlin "continued to discharge the weapon," he said. "A reasonable police officer, if someone was struck or killed, would immediately render aid."

Torres' wife, Sylvia, also testified Friday how her husband's goal to become a cop had been put on hold for years after they became teenage parents. That made it an even bigger accomplishment when he became an officer. But the couple have put their future on hold since the shooting, she said. It was also about that time, she said, that she was diagnosed with cancer.

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Volunteer Anne Lombaer interacts with Pruppet on Wednesday at the One Tail at a Time animal shelter in Chicago.

## Groups partnering for rescue weekend

Overpopulation big concern for shelters

BY JAVONTE ANDERSON

A network of Chicagoland animal rescue groups has partnered together to rescue hundreds of animals from the city's overpopulated shelters this weekend.

On Saturday, more than two dozen animal rescue organizations will be visiting Chicago Animal Care and Control and the Animal Welfare League, one of the state's largest nonprofit animal shelter programs, to help take the pressure off the shelters as they see a spike in animals coming into their facilities during the summer months. "Chicago's shelters face

enormous stress during the summer months, due to increased intake from litters of kittens to stray dogs and everything in between," said Heather Owen executive director of One Tail at a Time. "The goal of Chicago Rescue Day is to alleviate that stress by coming together as a community to save as many of our city's animals as possible."

By late summer, animal control's facility is "pretty full on dogs and cats," said Kelley Gandurski, director of Chicago Animal Care and Control.

"So, it's actually a perfect time for the rescues to come in and try to do a big swoop of the shelter," she said.

The public can help by donating at [www.chicagorescue.com](http://www.chicagorescue.com), then visit one of the

participating agencies to adopt or foster a pet, Owen said.

As a municipal shelter, animal control must take in any animal that comes to its facility, Gandurski said.

Last year, animal control took in more than 16,000 animals, which included stray animals and pets surrendered to the agency by owners, according to city data.

Transferring animals to a rescue agency is the primary way animal control finds second chances for its animals, said Jennifer Schlueter, a spokeswoman for the agency. The rescue partners then finish the preparation for adoption and adopt them out via foster homes, she said.

This process frees up space for more animals and helps

animal control assist more animals.

"When a rescue takes an animal out of the shelter, it saves two lives — the animal rescued and the next one that takes its place now that there is room at the shelter," Owen said.

Last year, more than half of the animals animal control took in were transferred out to a rescue agency.

Owen, who started Chicago Rescue Day three years ago, said she knew a single animal shelter or rescue agency couldn't clear out animal control's facility alone and that they could have a bigger impact if they worked together.

But animal advocates are also worried that less space in animal control's facility could result in more animals being

euthanized.

Last year, volunteers who worked at the animal control facility expressed concerns that more animals were being euthanized because of space constraints, according to animal advocates and a person with knowledge of the shelter's operations. But the city vehemently denied those accusations, calling the assertions "patently false."

The number of euthanized animals went down from 3,766 in 2016 to 2,327 in 2018, according to data maintained by animal control. Those numbers include animals euthanized by request.

So far this year, 1,183 animals had been euthanized as of Aug. 1, according to the agency's records.

## Bud Billiken Parade turns 90

Annual summer event in Bronzeville akin to a 'family reunion'

BY MARIE FAZIO

Since 1929, African Americans in Chicago have marched 2 miles down what's now King Drive through Bronzeville and into Washington Park in a celebratory display of pride and commemoration of history.

This year, the community prepared to march on Saturday for the 90th year under the theme of "90 years of excellence," said Myiti Sengstacke-Rice, the CEO of Chicago Defender Charities.

Four generations of Sengstacke-Rice's family have organized the Bud Billiken Parade, which she says people from the community often compare to a "family reunion."

"What makes it so exciting is we have been able to carry this on for so long," said Sengstacke-Rice. Robert S. Abbott, her great-grand-uncle, started the parade.

The tradition began in 1929.

Abbott, who founded the Chicago Defender in 1905, wanted to showcase the talents of his newsboys. The Defender was hailed for its role in spurring the Great Migration of African Americans to Northern states and continuing commitment to journalism for African American communities in Chicago. It remained in print until this year, when the paper announced it would cease print publication.

The parade has a historical namesake: A billiken is a charm doll given to children, a symbol of good luck and protection. Abbott merged the name with Bud, a character from the junior section of the Chicago Defender, to create a mascot for Chicago's youths.

It now boasts 500,000 participants from around the country and is viewed by 1.2 million people on the streets and live broadcasts. It's the largest African American parade in the United States, and second largest overall only to Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Sengstacke-Rice said.

This year, the grand marshal is Lil Rel Howery, a comedian from

the West Side. Mayor Lori Lightfoot is an honorary marshal.

In addition to community marchers, teams of dancers, marching bands, drillers and cheerleaders compete along the route.

"One significant part of our parade is that it's a performance parade," Sengstacke-Rice said. "The students practice year-round to get ready for the competition."

A portion of the money raised for the parade each year funds scholarships for community high school students. This year, \$30,000 worth of scholarship money was distributed. Additionally, students are paired with companies that participate in the parade for mentoring and internships.

"Being a part of these groups gives parents the opportunity to give kids exposure and the opportunity to showcase their talents," Sengstacke-Rice said. "It gives the kids something to do during the summer, keeps them off the streets and gives them something positive to look forward to."

After the parade, the "It Takes a



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State Sen. Barack Obama, with wife Michelle, gets a big welcome at the parade in 2004.

Village" family festival will be held in Washington Park next to Dyett High School. There will be free haircuts for boys, hair braiding for girls, health checks, food and entertainment as well as a distribution of school supplies.

"I am still in awe of how much love comes around this particular day," Sengstacke-Rice said. "This

is what I love about Chicago."

The parade is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. Saturday at 35th Street and King. The family festival will begin immediately afterward and continue until 4 p.m.

For more information, including how to get involved with next year's parade, go to [www.budbillikenparade.org](http://www.budbillikenparade.org).

# Lightfoot: 'You don't govern by tweet'

Mayor goes national with criticism of posts made by Ivanka Trump

BY GREGORY PRATT

Appearing on national cable news this week, Mayor Lori Lightfoot renewed her criticism of Ivanka Trump's tweets about Chicago's violence over last weekend and called for Congress to pass tougher gun control measures.

In an interview with CNN's Anderson Cooper, Lightfoot reiterated her complaints about social media comments by President Donald Trump's elder daughter. The mayor also appeared on MSNBC's "Morning Joe" on Friday, when she also called for universal background checks and noted her support for a ban on assault weapons.

"First and foremost, I think if you really want to be helpful, and particularly given the platform that you're in, you actually pick up the phone and you call and you talk to us about what actually happened so we could've given her a full rundown of what the facts were," Lightfoot told CNN regarding Ivanka Trump's tweets. "And then, we have a communication about what is the best path forward."

The controversy between Lightfoot and Ivanka Trump started early Tuesday when the presidential daughter, a White House adviser, drew renewed national attention to Chicago's problems with gun violence by writing, "As we grieve over the evil mass shootings in El Paso and



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Mayor Lori Lightfoot, with police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, displays a photo of recently seized automatic weapons while speaking to reporters during a news conference Tuesday at City Hall.

Dayton, let us not overlook that Chicago experienced its deadliest weekend of the year."

"With 7 dead and 52 wounded near a playground in the Windy City — and little national outrage or media coverage — we mustn't become numb to the violence faced by inner city communities every day," she tweeted.

Lightfoot took exception to the remarks and made her feelings known during a news conference after her so-called Accountability Tuesday meeting with Chicago police brass to review the city's police strategies and response to violence.

A livid Lightfoot said Ivanka Trump got key facts wrong in her online comments and falsely implied that all the shootings happened in one incident. If she cared, Lightfoot said, she should have reached out to city officials.

In the CNN interview, Lightfoot said she understands that

Trump "thought she was being helpful" but that the failure to "just pick up the phone and communicate with us was really disappointing."

"And look, don't get me wrong: We had a tough weekend," Lightfoot said. "But conflating all of that, and getting the facts wrong, and saying playground, which it wasn't near a playground, and suggesting that children were at risk, was dangerous and unhelpful."

Ivanka Trump's comments followed a weekend mass shooting in El Paso, Texas, that left 22 dead and 24 wounded, and another just hours later in Dayton, Ohio, where nine people were killed and 27 wounded. Her comments on Twitter also came amid an increasing national drumbeat for Congress to enact new gun restrictions following the bloody weekend in Texas and Ohio.

In Chicago, 55 people from ages

5 to 56 had been shot over the weekend, seven of them fatally, according to the Chicago Tribune's count. Nearly all of the gun violence occurred on the West and South sides. At least 1,600 people have been shot in Chicago this year, and there have been at least 300 homicides, according to data kept by the Tribune. Both numbers are below those from this time last year.

Chicago's gun violence has been a frequent target for conservative critics who use it to attack the Democratic Party.

On CNN, Cooper asked Lightfoot whether she sees any equivalence between the mass shootings over the weekend and Chicago's problem with gun violence.

"The circumstances of each of these are tragic. That is absolutely a common thing that runs through them. And I don't want people to lose sight about the fact that we are experiencing shootings at a pace that no one finds acceptable," Lightfoot said. "But conflating the hateful rhetoric that I think, it sounds like motivated the mass shooter in El Paso, and we still don't really know what the motivation of the shooter was in Dayton, to what we're experiencing, I think really does a disservice to victims, the cities that are reeling, the families that are suffering from gun violence. They're not an apples-to-apples comparison."

Lightfoot also said her staff has been in contact with Ivanka Trump's team since they met before her inauguration as mayor in May, though the mayor has not talked to the president's daughter.

"But it doesn't matter. If you want to talk about a city, particularly one as high-profile as Chicago, and let's face it, we have been the punching bag for the president, the best thing to do — the best thing to do — is reach out, have honest dialogue and then try to form a partnership about how we can address these challenges together," Lightfoot said. "You don't govern by tweet."

Lightfoot had a similar message when the Rev. Al Sharpton asked her about the tweets Friday morning on MSNBC.

"We have established a line of communication. Her staff is in contact with us on a regular basis," Lightfoot said. "If you really want to make a difference, you don't do it via Tweet, via Facebook, via Instagram, you get down you understand what the facts are and then you offer a path forward."

Lightfoot also called on Congress to take action on legislation she thinks will help curb local gun violence, starting with universal background checks, to stop guns bought in the neighboring states of Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan from making their way to Chicago streets.

"Let's take the first step. The fact that we have a patchwork of state laws that have background checks, some do, some don't," Lightfoot said. "We have to have a uniform system that's got to be the floor. Of course we need an assault weapons ban as well, but let's start with getting universal background checks."

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## Stevens

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June 2018, Chuck, Steve, Laura and Laura's kids embarked on a two-hour boat trip to memorialize Lorraine. (Lorraine's idea.) A Hawaiian clergy member and a Hawaiian ukulele player accompanied the Wagners and the ship's crew. They sang and told stories. Bottlenose dolphins played alongside the boat. (Lorraine's directive from above, Chuck is certain.) They deposited some of Lorraine's ashes into the Pacific in an environmental urn, which biodegrades.

"The spot is GPS-marked so some of my ashes can be deposited at the same spot," Chuck, 71, said.

They stopped at the Hilton Hawaiian Village and asked a few staff members to pose for photos. "Maybe one or more of them served Lorraine and me then."

The memorial trip, lovingly and painstakingly planned by Lorraine, has taken Chuck from Arizona to Florida to South Carolina. He's gone to Alabama and Nebraska and Iowa and Wisconsin. Lorraine chose spots that she loved before she knew Chuck, and spots she and Chuck knew and loved together. She chose spots where she lived as the frequently moving child of an Army officer during World War II. She has Chuck visiting the gravesites of her ancestors and her favorite college haunts.

Chuck estimates he's driven about 11,000 miles memorializing his wife.

It keeps him busy. It keeps him connected to the woman he so dearly loved, whose name still lights up his face.

Through a friend of a friend, I met Chuck during the Chicago portion of his trip.

This city plays a leading role, after all, in the love story of Chuck and Lorraine: He proposed marriage in her '64 Mustang at O'Hare International Airport. ("Outside parking," Chuck told me.)

He was on a 30-day leave around Christmas 1968 and flew home to visit his parents in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, where he was born and raised. Lorraine drove



CHUCK WAGNER PHOTO

Chuck and Lorraine Wagner outside the Huntington Library in San Marino, California, in November 2013.

up from Florida to meet him.

"We were sitting in her car, and I said, 'We've got to get going. I want to get to Fond du Lac before 5 o'clock,' and she said, 'Why?' " Chuck recalled. "I said, 'Well Uffenbach's closes at 5.' She said, 'What's Uffenbach's?' I said, 'It's a jewelry store my family uses.' She said, 'Are you asking me to marry you?' And I said, 'Yeah. I guess I am.'"

Uffenbach's was still open. They picked out a \$100 ring. The newly engaged couple spent Christmas on Chuck's family's farm and New Year's Eve with Lorraine's family in Iowa. They were married in a small church in Fond du Lac six months later.

Lorraine's paternal grandmother, Ada, was adopted from an orphanage in Chicago in 1882. Lorraine kept letters that Ada, as an adult, wrote to officials in

Cook County, trying to locate her birth parents. During their Chicago visit last week, Chuck and Steve tried to locate the orphanage, listed in the correspondence as 68 Center St., but to no avail.

They also visited the American Girl store, a favorite spot for Lorraine, who collected dolls, and ate at RL, the restaurant in the Ralph Lauren store on Michigan Avenue, which Lorraine enjoyed during a visit some time ago.

"This is extremely cathartic for me," Chuck said. "It's keeping me engaged. She's been gone 14 months, and I've been traveling probably four of those months. Like I told the kids, 'This is keeping Mom with me longer.'"

Lorraine attended the University of Iowa for her freshman year, before transferring to Indiana University to complete her degree. She wanted Chuck's

travels to take him to the Airliner, an Iowa City pub where she "borrowed" (her words) a women's restroom toilet seat for her then-boyfriend's fraternity pledge task list. "I have no idea how she could've gotten a seat off, because Lorraine was not that mechanically inclined," Chuck said with a laugh. "But, whatever. She evidently did."

Chuck and Steve visited the Airliner, ordered a pizza — "almost as good as Uno's," Chuck said — and told their server the story. She even went in the restroom and took some photos for them. Just to have.

Another favorite stop was Mobile, Alabama, where Lorraine asked Chuck to find the dock where she used to sit as a child and watch boats along the river. Steve accompanied his dad on that trip as well. After visiting the

waterfront, they followed a billboard to a restaurant called Dauphin's and discovered, upon arrival, that they were underdressed for the 34th-floor venue, complete with a pianist and cloth table coverings.

They explained their trip to the host, who happily seated them.

"When our dessert was delivered, we were stunned to see the waitress had had the chef write in chocolate on the bowl's edge, 'In Loving Memory of my Wife' for me and 'In Loving Memory of my Mom' for Steve," Chuck said.

The trip, in addition to reminding him of Lorraine's good heart and playful spirit, is renewing Chuck's belief in the goodness of strangers, many of whom have embraced and enhanced his travels.

"My mom was really special," Steve Wagner, 41, told me by phone from Tucson, where he works as an attorney and certified public accountant. "She had that spirit of living for every day. She would always say, 'I never wanted the party to end.'"

Now her family is extending it, inviting family and friends and new people along the way.

"She did this for us," Chuck said, about the memorial plans. "Her love for our family is never-ending. And we're following it to a T."

He spent a few days in Fond du Lac after leaving Chicago. He visited the church where he and Lorraine married. Laura, their daughter, joined him for a few days. Then he set out for the drive back to Tucson, stopping at a few more spots in and around Sioux Falls, South Dakota, along the way.

Even when he's not on the road, Chuck said, he feels as if Lorraine is with him.

"Whenever I'm golfing and I see a hummingbird or a butterfly, I say, 'Hi, hon!'" he said. "We had an unbelievable life together."

Still do, I'd say. What a beautiful thing.

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## Westlake

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The village of Melrose Park, however, has argued that the hospital's decline was the doing of its new owners.

But it could be difficult to reopen the hospital at that point should it close before then, Eli Wade-Scott, an attorney for Melrose Park, argued in court Friday.

The village of Melrose Park, which sued months ago over the hospital's planned closure, will continue to fight for the 230-bed hospital's survival, said Gary Mack, a spokesman for the village.

"It's a travesty and it's outrageous and it's sad," Mack said.

A spokesman for Pipeline, the hospital's owner, declined to comment Friday.

The wind-down follows a monthslong series of legal twists and turns as the village of Melrose Park fought the hospital's owners to keep Westlake afloat.

Pipeline bought Westlake, West Suburban Medical Center in Oak Park and Louis A. Weiss Memorial Hospital in Chicago for \$70 million in January from Tenet Healthcare. The company said at the time it would operate the hospitals.

But just weeks after buying them, Pipeline said financial losses at Westlake were exceeding projections and that it would close the hospital by July to keep it from dragging down the other two.

That announcement shocked and angered the community. The Village of Melrose Park sued, accusing the hospital's owners of lying about their plans to close the

hospital so they wouldn't face opposition when purchasing it. Pipeline has called the lawsuit "defamatory and false." Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx has joined the village's lawsuits over the matter.

The Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board voted in April to allow the hospital to close, but a Cook County Circuit Court judge ruled in May that the facility must stay open pending the outcome of litigation.

That order should have barred the hospital's owners from closing it as part of the bankruptcy this week, attorneys for Melrose Park argued in court Friday.

Melrose Park asked a Cook County Circuit Court judge on Friday to hold SRC Hospital Investments II, a management company over Pipeline, in contempt of court for violating that

order and impose fines on SRC.

But Judge Franklin Valderrama declined to make a decision on that request Friday, saying the court may reconsider it next week after a separate hearing in bankruptcy court over Melrose Park's motion to dismiss the bankruptcy.

Hospital employees said Friday they had hoped to see the hospital kept open, noting that it serves many low-income, minority patients.

Several months ago, a boy and his mother went to the emergency room of a different nearby hospital, but their health insurance didn't apply to that hospital, said Dr. Mohammad Vaseemuddin, an attending physician at Westlake.

The boy, who had recently been diagnosed with diabetes, and his mother walked more than a mile to Westlake, where he was treated. It turned out he had

pneumonia, Vaseemuddin said.

"These people deserve health care that no one else will give them," said Marianna Woosley, a nurse at the hospital who was director of medical surgical and telemetry patients and had worked there for 30 years.

Parts of the hospital seemed nearly empty Friday afternoon, and several patients visiting the professional building for doctors' appointments said they weren't aware the hospital may be closing.

The turmoil was news to Kelly Rogers, who said she had planned to give birth there this winter. She said it's disappointing that the hospital may not be around for that.

"I like this hospital," Rogers said. "It's small."

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## NATION & WORLD

### Police: Texas suspect targeted Latinos

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EL PASO, Texas — The suspect accused of killing 22 people at an El Paso Walmart told authorities that he was targeting “Mexicans” and confessed to carrying out the shooting rampage when he surrendered to authorities, according to police.

Law enforcement officials responding to the scene Aug. 3 spotted a car stopped at an intersection not far from the Walmart, an El Paso police detective wrote in an arrest warrant affidavit. They then saw a man — identified as Patrick Crusius, the 21-year-old charged with capital murder in the case — get out of the car with his hands in the air, the affidavit said.

He told them, “I’m the shooter,” Detective Adrian Garcia said in the affidavit, which was filed to a judge Sunday, the day after the shooting.

Authorities believe Crusius was the author of a statement posted online shortly before the attack that derided what it called a “Hispanic invasion of Texas.”

Federal officials have called the attack, which also injured dozens of people, domestic terrorism and said they are weighing federal hate crimes charges in the case.

The El Paso rampage was one of two mass shootings to occur within a day. Just hours later, a gunman in Dayton, Ohio, killed nine people before police officers shot and killed him.

Crusius has been in jail since surrendering. Authorities say he has been cooper-



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Pallbearers carry the casket of Angelina Engelsbee, 86, on Friday in El Paso. “She was just a beautiful person,” said son Will Engelsbee. The mother of seven died in the mass shooting in El Paso that left 21 others dead and many more wounded.

ative and has answered their questions.

Greg Allen, the El Paso police chief, said the suspected attacker seemed to be “in a state of shock and confusion” and has not shown any remorse to the investigators.

According to Garcia’s affidavit, Crusius waived his right to an attorney and agreed to speak, telling police he traveled from Allen, a suburb of Dallas, with an assault rifle and multiple magazines. Authorities said Allen is more than 10 hours away by car from the largely Latino border city of El Paso.

“The defendant stated

once inside the store he opened fire using his AK-47 shooting multiple innocent victims,” Garcia wrote. The detective added that Crusius said his targets were “Mexicans.”

The car he emerged from last Saturday was about a half-mile from the Walmart, stopped on a street that essentially divides shopping areas from residential areas.

Garcia wrote that Texas Rangers heading to the shooting saw the vehicle stopped in a left-turn lane. It was unclear where Crusius was heading, though Allen has suggested that he did not know the area well and got lost in a neighborhood

upon arriving.

An attorney for Crusius did not respond to a request for comment about the affidavit.

Chris Ayres, an attorney for the Crusius family, told The Associated Press that the rest of the family never heard Patrick Crusius use the kind of racist and anti-immigrant language that was posted in the online screed.

The FBI has dispatched officials from a domestic terrorism-hate crimes fusion cell to investigate the El Paso shooting. The bureau also said this week it is investigating the Dayton shooter after learning he

was interested in “violent ideologies” and, separately, announced that it had opened a domestic terrorism investigation into a July 28 mass shooting at a food festival in Gilroy, California.

During the Gilroy shooting, six days before the El Paso attack, a gunman killed three people before fatally shooting himself. The FBI said it opened the domestic terrorism probe in that case after learning that the gunman had also explored “violent ideologies” and assembled a list of possible targets across the country.

Meanwhile, families of those killed at the El Paso Walmart gathered at funerals

als on each side of the U.S.-Mexico border to remember loved ones.

Angelina Silva Engelsbee’s seven grown children sobbed as they draped a gold-edged white pall over her casket before escorting it into El Paso’s St. Pius X Catholic Church, where she had been a parishioner.

The funeral for Alexander Hoffmann Roth, 66, was held in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, across the border from El Paso. Born in post-war Germany, he was serving in the German air force and stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso when he crossed the border into Ciudad Juarez and met the Mexican citizen who would become his wife at a dance club.

“It’s an incredible binational place. I’ve had so many good memories in this area from Juarez and El Paso the people, the food, the music, the ambiance, everything, everything is so warm,” said his daughter, Elise Hoffmann-Taus. “And this, this really hurts.”

The funeral for Juan Velazquez, 77, was also Friday in El Paso. He and his wife, Nicholasa, were shot after parking their car. She was injured; he died Monday.

Cruz Velazquez told The New York Times that his father, who was born in the Mexican state of Zacatecas, moved first to Ciudad Juarez and then to Denver, where he lived for 30 years. He eventually moved to El Paso because it was peaceful.

“He fought to get ahead in the United States,” said Cruz Velazquez, who said his father had become a U.S. citizen.

Associated Press and Los Angeles Times contributed.

### Michael Brown’s father seeks new investigation into killing

BY JIM SALTER  
Associated Press

CLAYTON, Mo. — On the fifth anniversary of Michael Brown’s death in Ferguson, his father urged St. Louis County’s top prosecutor Friday to reopen the investigation into the white police officer who fatally shot the black and unarmed 18-year-old.

Before a memorial service in the Ferguson street where the officer fatally shot his son on Aug. 9, 2014, Michael Brown Sr. addressed reporters outside of the St. Louis County Justice Center in the St. Louis suburb of Clayton.

“Justice has not been served,” Brown, 41, said as he was flanked by about three dozen supporters. “My son deserved to live a full life. But a coward with a badge chose not to value his life.”

“My son was murdered in cold blood, with no remorse and no medical treatment,” said Brown, who has never accepted the officer’s claim that he had acted in self-defense.

Prosecuting Attorney Wesley Bell, the county’s first black prosecutor, took office in January after his stunning victory over seven-term incumbent Bob McCulloch.

McCulloch drew criticism for his handling of the investigation into the Michael Brown shooting, with detractors accusing him of guiding the grand jury to its decision not to indict the officer, Darren Wilson, which came in November 2014, three months after Brown’s death.

The U.S. Department of Justice under then-President Barack Obama also declined to charge Wilson, who resigned within days of the grand jury decision announcement.

In a statement, Bell would not say whether his office would reopen the case, but he said it “is doing



HILLARY LEVIN/AP

Michael Brown Sr. speaks to the news media in front of the justice center in Clayton, Mo., on Friday, the fifth anniversary of the death of his son, Michael Brown Jr.

everything (it) can to understand the underlying issues that contributed to the tragic death of Michael Brown.”

Bell said his office is working with police “to implement policies and reforms that meaningfully address those issues, and help this community and this region heal.” He said he is also forming a special unit within his office to look at officer-involved shootings and potential cases of wrongful convictions.

Brown’s mother, Lesley McSpadden, also has urged Bell to reopen the case.

Later Friday, a few hundred people gathered for a memorial service on Canfield Drive at the site of the shooting. The service included 4 1/2 minutes of silence, a symbolic reference to the 4 1/2 hours Brown’s body remained on the street after the shooting.

On the day he died, Brown and a friend were walking down the middle of Canfield Drive when Wilson told them to move to the sidewalk. An exchange of words led to a fight inside Wilson’s SUV. Brown got out and began to run, then turned around to face the officer.

Wilson told investigators that he shot Brown in self-defense. Some people in the Canfield Green apartment complex near the shooting initially claimed that Brown had his hands up in surrender, but the grand jury found no evidence to confirm that.

The shooting led to weeks of protests that included looting and violent confrontations between demonstrators and police officers, many in riot gear and with military-style weapons. Protests escalated again after the grand jury announcement.

Although the Justice Department declined to indict Wilson, it did issue a report citing racial prejudice in the Ferguson Police Department and a municipal court system that made money through court fines and legal fees — costs largely borne by black residents. A consent agreement signed in 2016 requires significant reforms.

Bell would face no restrictions in re-examining Brown’s death for potential murder charges. Wilson was never charged and tried, so there would be no double-jeopardy, and there is no statute of limitations for bringing murder charges.

### Cops ID rifle-toting man who terrified a Missouri Walmart

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — Five days after 22 people were killed at a Walmart store in El Paso, Texas, panicked shoppers fled a Walmart in Springfield, Missouri, after a man carrying a rifle and wearing body armor walked around the store before being stopped by an off-duty firefighter.

Police on Friday identified the man as Dmitry Andreychenko, 20, who lived in the Springfield area.

Andreychenko was being held in the Greene County jail on suspicion of first-degree making a terrorist threat.

Police did not offer further details about the nature of the possible charge and said no further information would be available while the case is under prosecutorial review.

No shots were fired during the incident Thursday. Andreychenko was arrested after he was stopped by an armed off-duty firefighter, Springfield police said.

The Springfield News-Leader quoted Lt. Mike Lucas as saying that Andreychenko arrived Thursday afternoon wearing body armor and military-style clothing. He walked inside the Walmart carrying a “tactical rifle,” another gun and more than 100 rounds of ammunition, Lucas said.

Lucas said an off-duty firefighter held the suspect at gunpoint until police arrived about three minutes after receiving an initial call.

“His intent was not to cause peace or comfort to anybody that was in the business here,” Lucas said. “In fact, he’s lucky he’s alive still, to be honest.”

Security video from inside the store would be



HARRISON KEEGAN/AP

A defense attorney said carrying an assault rifle in public is not necessarily a crime in Missouri. Above, police responded to an armed man at a Walmart in Springfield.

reviewed to determine Andreychenko’s demeanor and a possible motive, he said.

“His intent obviously was to cause chaos here, and he did that,” Lucas added.

Walmart issued a statement Friday that praised authorities for stopping the incident from escalating. It said Andreychenko is no longer welcome in its stores.

“This was a reckless act designed to scare people, disrupt our business and it put our associates and customers at risk,” spokeswoman LeMia Jenkins said. “We applaud the quick actions of our associates to evacuate customers from our store, and we’re thankful no one was injured.”

The Greene County prosecutor is reviewing the case to determine possible charges, police spokeswoman Jasmine Bailey said.

The potential charges in the case will depend on Andreychenko’s actions while he was in the store, said Dee Wampler, a long-time Springfield defense attorney and former Greene County prosecutor.

Carrying an assault rifle in public is not necessarily a

crime, Wampler told The News-Leader.

“If he was looking at people in a menacing way or if he was saying something to other customers that was frightening to them — those would be factors” and could result in felony charges, Wampler said.

He also could be charged with a misdemeanor peace disturbance, or a different misdemeanor if he was told to leave the store and didn’t, Wampler said.

Since January 2017, Missouri has not required a permit to openly or conceal carry a firearm for those 19 years or older. Roughly 30 states allow the open carrying of handguns and rifles and shotguns in public without a permit.

San Francisco-based Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence said six states generally prohibit the open carrying of rifles and shotguns — California, Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts, Minnesota, and New Jersey — along with the District of Columbia, the law center said.

California, Florida and Illinois also generally ban the open carry of handguns, as do New York and South Carolina.

Springfield is about 165 miles south of Kansas City, Missouri.



Andreychenko

## NEWS BRIEFING

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## Protests erupt in Kashmir over Indian push to end autonomy

SRINAGAR, India — Protesters gathered by the thousands after Friday prayers and set off from a mosque in the Kashmiri capital of Srinagar, chanting slogans about freedom. Security forces told them to turn back, but they refused and sat down in the road, six eyewitnesses said. Not long after, the firing began.

The protest — in which at least eight people were injured from shotgun pellet injuries — was one of

the largest displays of public anger against India's abrupt move this week to strip Kashmir of its autonomy and statehood. The step plunged Kashmir, India's only Muslim-majority region, into uncertainty and led to a diplomatic breakdown with Pakistan.

Since the announcement Monday, much of Kashmir has felt more like a prison. In Srinagar, residents have been unable to make telephone calls or connect to the Internet.

## Lawyers who beat Trump team on census to get \$2.7M in fees

The Justice Department last week quietly agreed to pay \$2.7 million in fees and court costs for the lawyers who sued to block the U.S. from adding a citizenship question to the 2020 survey, according to the terms of a nonpublic settlement.

U.S. District Judge Jesse Furman in January barred the Commerce Department, which oversees the Census Bureau, from including the question "Is

this person a citizen of the United States?" on the once-a-decade questionnaire. The U.S. unsuccessfully appealed to the Supreme Court.

Then, on Aug. 2, a Justice Department lawyer signed off on the settlement to pay the New York Immigration Coalition's lawyers. The deal avoids public litigation and the possibility of Furman ordering the government to pay more.

## 9 hurt in new blasts at Russian military arsenal in Siberia

MOSCOW — More explosions have injured nine more people at a military depot in Russia's Siberia region, where massive blasts earlier in the week left one person dead and 13 injured.

The Friday explosions at the ammunition depot near the city of Achinsk in eastern Siberia's Krasnoyarsk region were caused by lightning, the Russian Defense Ministry said, according to state news

agency Tass.

The blasts and fire on Monday at the depot reportedly damaged the facility's lightning-protection system.

Russian news agencies cited local health officials as saying that nine people were taken to the hospital after the new explosions, but there was no information on their conditions.

Investigators are seeking to determine the cause of Monday's fire.



A Muslim pilgrim prays Friday as thousands of other pilgrims make their way around the Kaaba at the Grand Mosque ahead of the hajj pilgrimage in Mecca, Saudi Arabia.

## Trump administration moves to enforce abortion restriction

WASHINGTON — Moving ahead despite objections, the Trump administration on Friday set a timetable for federally funded family clinics to comply with a new rule that bars them from referring women for abortions.

The action is part of a series of efforts to remake government policy on reproductive health to please conservatives who are a key part of President Donald Trump's political base. Religious conservatives see the family planning program as providing an indirect subsidy to Planned Parenthood, which runs

family planning clinics and is also a major abortion provider.

The administration's move came as a federal court in San Francisco plans to hear arguments in a lawsuit to block the regulation.

The Department of Health and Human Services sent notices to program participants saying they must certify by Sep. 18 that they're complying with most major provisions of the rule.

In addition to the ban on abortion referrals, the rule's short-term requirements include financial

separation from facilities that provide abortion, designating abortion counseling as optional instead of standard practice, and limiting which staff members can discuss abortion with patients. Clinics have until next March to separate their office space and examination rooms from the physical facilities of providers that offer abortions.

Known as Title X, the federal family planning program serves about 4 million women a year. The government distributes about \$260 million a year in state grants to keep the program running.

## Tighter safety planned for Notre Dame cleanup

PARIS — Paris regional authorities say decontamination and cleanup work at Notre Dame cathedral will resume on Aug. 19 after new equipment and stricter safety procedures ensure workers are not exposed to unsafe levels of lead.

The administration suspended the job of removing

hazardous substances from the fire-ravaged cathedral last month under pressure from labor inspectors concerned about health risks for workers.

Paris authorities said the new equipment, including decontamination units, will prevent "any release of polluting elements to the out-

side."

Hundreds of tons of lead in Notre Dame's spire and roof melted during the April fire.

This week, workers have started decontaminating some Paris schools as part of efforts to protect children from risks of lead poisoning.

## Trump gets letter from Kim, predicts more talks

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Friday that he received a "beautiful" three-page letter from Kim Jong Un and predicted that the two leaders would have more talks to try resolving the standoff over North Korea's nuclear weapons program.

Trump has said he's not bothered by the flurry of missiles that Kim has launched in recent days, rattling U.S. allies in the region. The president said they were all short-range missiles and reiterated that North Korea has never broken its pledge to pause nuclear tests.

Trump said Kim told him in the letter that he was upset about recent U.S.-South Korea military exercises, which North Korea sees as a threat.

On Saturday, South Korea's military said North Korea fired two more unidentified projectiles from its east coast into the sea.

**Child Welfare:** A 1978 law giving preference to Native American families in foster care and adoption proceedings involving American Indian children is constitutional, a federal appeals court ruled Friday, reversing a lower court judge in a case fraught with emotional arguments over adoptive families being "torn apart" and the urgency of protecting tribal families and cultures.

The decision by a three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal in New Orleans upholds the Indian Child Welfare Act. Opponents called the law an unconstitutional race-based intrusion on states' powers to govern adoptions. But the 5th Circuit ruling disagreed, saying the law's definition of an "Indian child" is a political classification.

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## Pressed about sex abuse in deposition, Epstein ducked

BY LARRY NEUMEISTER AND JIM MUSTIAN  
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NEW YORK — Confronted about allegations that he orchestrated a sex trafficking ring that delivered girls to him and his high-profile acquaintances, financier Jeffrey Epstein repeatedly refused to answer questions to avoid incriminating himself, according to court records released Friday.

A partial transcript of a September 2016 deposition stemming from a defamation lawsuit was included in hundreds of pages of documents placed in a public file by a federal appeals court in New York.

The deposition happened almost three years before Epstein's July 6 arrest on sex trafficking charges in a case that has brought down a Cabinet secretary and launched fresh probes into how authorities dealt with Epstein over the years. The 66-year-old has pleaded not guilty.

Epstein was asked in the videotaped deposition whether it was standard operating procedure for his former girlfriend, Ghislaine Maxwell, to bring underage girls to him to sexually abuse.

Epstein replied "Fifth," as he did to numerous other questions, citing the Constitution's Fifth Amendment that protects people against incriminating themselves.

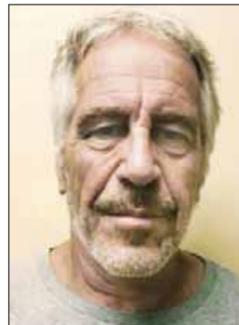
He also was asked whether Maxwell was "one of the main women" he used to procure underage girls for sexual activities.

"Fifth," he replied.

And he was asked whether Maxwell met one of the females she recruited for massages at the Mar-a-Lago resort owned by President Donald Trump in Palm Beach.

"Fifth," he replied.

Asked if he was a member of Mar-a-Lago in 2000,



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Court records linked to an anti-defamation lawsuit contain graphic allegations against Jeffrey Epstein.

he replied once again, "Fifth," according to the transcript.

After Epstein's arrest, Trump acknowledged that he knew Epstein but said he "had a falling out with him a long time ago."

Over 2,000 pages of documents made public by the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals pertained to a since-settled lawsuit against Maxwell filed by Virginia Giuffre, one of Epstein's accusers.

Giuffre filed the complaint in 2015, saying Maxwell subjected her to "public ridicule, contempt and disgrace" by calling her a liar in published statements "with the malicious intent of discrediting and further damaging Giuffre worldwide." The lawsuit sought unspecified damages.

In a deposition included in the newly released papers, Giuffre said that her father, who worked at Mar-a-Lago as a maintenance manager, got her a job there in summer 2000 as a locker room attendant at the club's spa when she was 16.

She said she was reading a book on massage therapy one day when she was approached by Maxwell, who noticed the book and told her she knew someone seeking a traveling masseuse. When Giuffre said she had no experience or

credentials, she recalled Maxwell said: "We can train you. We can get you educated."

The court records contain graphic allegations against Epstein, who is accused in Manhattan federal court of trafficking young girls internationally to have sex with prominent American politicians, business executives and world leaders. The papers portray Epstein as a sex slave-driver with an insatiable appetite for underage girls.

"My whole life revolved around just pleasing these men and keeping Ghislaine and Jeffrey happy," Giuffre said. "Their whole entire lives revolved around sex."

Giuffre said Maxwell instructed her to take off her clothes and give oral sex to Epstein the first time she met him after bringing her to Epstein's Florida home near Mar-a-Lago with the expectation she would be trained as a masseuse.

Prosecutors have not accused Maxwell of any wrongdoing. They say they continue to investigate.

In her deposition, Maxwell called the claims another one of Giuffre's "many fictitious lies and stories to make this a salacious event to get interest and press." She also claimed that Giuffre was 17 when she met her.

Neither Maxwell's attorney nor a public-relations firm she hired responded Friday to emails seeking comment.

Epstein's lawyers say the federal charges that accuse Epstein of recruiting and abusing dozens of underage girls in New York and Florida in the early 2000s should never have been brought. They say Epstein is protected by an agreement he reached with federal prosecutors in Florida a dozen years ago. Labor Secretary Alexander Acosta resigned last month under fire for overseeing that deal when he was U.S. attorney in Miami.

# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## Walmart pulls violent video game displays

Retailer will still sell firearms despite calls to change its policy

BY MICHELLE CHAPMAN, MAE ANDERSON AND JOSEPH PISANI  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Walmart has ordered workers to remove video game signs and displays that depict violence from stores nationwide after 22 people died in a shooting at one of its Texas stores, but it will continue to sell guns.

In an internal memo, the retailer told employees to remove any violent marketing material, unplug Xbox and PlayStation consoles that show violent video games and turn off any violence depicted on screens in its electronics departments.

Employees also were asked to shut off hunting



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Walmart is taking down video game signs and displays that depict violence.

season videos in the sporting goods department where guns are sold. "Remove from the salesfloor or turn off these items immediately," the memo said.

Walmart will still sell the violent video games and hasn't made any changes to its gun sales policy, despite

pressure from workers, politicians and activists to do so.

"We've taken this action out of respect for the incidents of the past week," Walmart spokeswoman Tara House said in an email.

She declined to answer any questions beyond the statement.

"That is a non-answer and a non-solution," said Thomas Marshall, who works at Walmart's e-commerce division in San Bruno, California, and has helped organize a petition to get the company to stop selling guns. He said they plan to email the petition, which has more than 53,000 signatures, to Walmart CEO Doug McMillon.

After the mass shooting at a Parkland, Florida, high school last year, Walmart Inc. banned sales of firearms and ammunition to people younger than 21. It had stopped selling AR-15s and other semi-automatic weapons in 2015, citing weak sales.

The massacre last Saturday in El Paso was followed by another shooting hours later in Dayton, Ohio, that killed nine people.

President Donald Trump blamed "gruesome and

grisly video games" for encouraging violence this week, but there is no known link between violent video games and violent acts.

The United States has had 254 mass shootings — instances of four or more people being shot in individual outbreaks — in 2019, according to the Gun Violence Archive. That's more mass shootings than days so far this year.

Scott Galloway, a marketing professor at New York University, said the move to hide violent imagery in stores was "a cheap attempt to distract consumers and the media from the real issue, which is, Walmart continues to sell guns."

Other companies have made changes after the shootings.

ESPN postponed the airing of an esports competition for shooting game "Apex Legends."

And NBC Universal pulled some ads for its upcoming movie "The Hunt," which depicted characters hunting and shooting at each other.

The killings have put the country on edge.

On Thursday, panicked shoppers fled a Walmart in Springfield, Missouri, after a man carrying a rifle and wearing body armor walked around the store before being stopped by an off-duty firefighter.

No shots were fired, and the man was arrested after surrendering.

On Friday, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, a Democrat running for president, blasted Walmart in a tweet.

"The weapons they sell are killing their own customers and employees. No profit is worth those lives. Do the right thing — stop selling guns," she wrote.

## Kansas may impose toughest online tax collections in US

BY JOHN HANNA  
Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. — Kansas plans to impose what some tax experts say would be the nation's most aggressive policy for collecting state and local taxes on online sales, possibly inviting a legal battle.

The state Department of Revenue recently issued a notice saying any "remote seller" doing business with Kansas residents must register with the department, collect state and local sales taxes, and forward the revenue to the state, starting Oct. 1. It cites a U.S. Supreme Court decision last year allowing states to collect sales

taxes on internet sales.

Most states now have policies to collect such taxes, but almost all set minimum annual sales or transaction thresholds to exempt small businesses, according to groups tracking tax laws. Kansas is the first to attempt to collect the taxes without exempting any businesses, they said.

The Republican-controlled Legislature included provisions on taxing internet sales in two tax-cutting bills this year, but Democratic Gov. Laura Kelly vetoed both measures, saying they would destabilize the state's finances.

The Department of Revenue is imposing its new

policy under an existing tax law that applied to out-of-state businesses but wasn't being enforced because past court decisions prevented it.

"I just think Kansas is setting itself up for a lawsuit — and embarrassment, truthfully," said Diane Yetter, founder of the Sales Tax Institute in Chicago.

Kansas Revenue Secretary Mark Burghart, a veteran tax attorney himself, said the department is obligated to enforce existing tax laws consistently. He said it's not fair to Kansas businesses to require them to collect sales taxes from consumers and not require out-of-state businesses to do the same after the Supreme Court

decision last year.

Burghart also said he does not feel the department has the authority to exempt some small, out-of-state businesses from collecting sales taxes. Legislators must set the thresholds, he said.

Kansas Senate President Susan Wagle, a conservative Wichita Republican who is a frequent Kelly critic and is running for the U.S. Senate, termed the department's policy an "abuse of power." Other top Republicans were less harsh but said this week that they worried about the risk of lawsuits — and lawmakers are likely to take up the issue again next year.

Legislators also have felt

pressure to collect more taxes from online sales to prevent local businesses from facing a competitive disadvantage. There's also the potential budget upside: The department believes the state will collect \$20 million to \$40 million a year in additional tax revenues.

Wagle asked Attorney General Derek Schmidt, also a Republican, to weigh in on the policy's legality. His spokesman would say only, "We are aware of the situation."

Yetter and other tax policy experts said the Supreme Court's decision isn't permission to tax all remote sales from out-of-state businesses.

"They're pushing a lot of envelopes in their approach," said Jared Walczak, director of state tax policy for the conservative Tax Foundation, who deems Kansas' policy the "most aggressive" in the nation.

The high court overturned a previous ruling that states could not collect their sales taxes unless a business had a physical presence within their borders, allowing tax collections if businesses had an economic presence. It upheld a South Dakota law requiring businesses to collect its taxes if they had \$100,000 in sales or 200 transactions in the state within a year.

### MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 26,413.36 Low: 26,097.64 Previous: 26,378.19



**Nasdaq**  
-80.02 (-1.00%)

**S&P 500**  
-19.44 (-.66%)

**Russell 2000**  
-19.09 (-1.25%)

Close: 7,959.14  
High: 8,020.56  
Low: 7,910.35  
Previous: 8,039.16

Close: 2,918.65  
High: 2,935.75  
Low: 2,900.15  
Previous: 2,938.09

Close: 1,513.04  
High: 1,530.96  
Low: 1,509.96  
Previous: 1,532.13

**10-yr T-note**  
+0.02 to 1.73%

**Gold futures**  
-1.10 to \$1,496.60

**Yen**  
-.38 to 105.57/\$1

**Euro**  
-.0017 to .8923/\$1

**Crude Oil**  
+1.96 to \$54.50

### Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-0.75	-0.56	-0.46	-3.82	-3.46	-3.16	+3.85	+1.53	+3.01

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	498.25	505.25	496	499.50	+1
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	410.75	417	407.25	410.25	-.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Aug 19	871.75	875.25	866	873.75	-.85
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Aug 19	29.60	29.60	29.51	29.51	+.55
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Aug 19	295.60	296.90	294.50	296.70	+1.90
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Sep 19	52.88	54.92	52.37	54.50	+1.96
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Sep 19	2.124	2.145	2.064	2.119	-.009
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Sep 19	1.6505	1.6895	1.6417	1.6740	+.0283

### 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	86.62	+1.06	Equity Commonwlt	N	33.75	-.55	Middleby Corp	O	112.39	-1.68
AbbVie Inc	N	65.58	+1.13	Equity Lifefty Prop	N	132.04	+1.78	Mondelez Intl	O	54.69	-.26
Allstate Corp	N	104.09	-1.21	Equity Residential	N	81.27	+4.3	Morningstar Inc	O	154.86	+1.09
Aptargroup Inc	N	121.08	-1.79	Exelon Corp	N	45.20	-.22	Motorola Solutions	N	176.30	-2.76
Arch Dan Mid	N	38.36	+0.6	First Indl RT	N	38.42	-.12	NISource Inc	N	28.57	-.23
Baxter Intl	N	85.97	+2.3	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	51.86	-1.18	Ntn Trust Cp	O	89.45	-1.12
Boeing Co	N	337.55	+1.20	Gallagher AJ	N	90.42	+2.2	Old Republic	N	22.77	-.05
Brunswick Corp	N	47.99	-.29	Grainger WW	N	268.36	-6.88	Packaging Corp Am	N	101.13	-.99
CBOE Global Markets	N	119.01	+1.5	GrubHub Inc	N	66.27	-3.19	Payload Hldg	O	110.66	+9.27
CDK Global Inc	O	48.66	-1.05	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	106.17	-1.12	RLI Corp	N	92.38	-.52
CDW Corp	O	114.73	+2.03	IDEX Corp	N	162.03	-.09	Stericycle Inc	O	44.77	-.59
CF Industries	N	51.04	-1.11	ITW	N	149.53	-1.32	TransUnion	N	82.83	-1.64
CME Group	O	215.72	+4.62	Ingredion Inc	N	76.24	-1.24	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.58	...
CNA Financial	N	48.20	-.27	John Bean Technol	N	103.56	-1.59	US Foods Holding	N	38.92	+2.24
Cabot Microelect	O	115.78	-.26	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	141.50	-1.91	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	346.70	-6.34
Caterpillar Inc	N	119.38	-2.64	Kemper Corp	N	79.51	-.58	United Airlines Hldg	O	86.98	-.65
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	28.65	+.45	Kraft Heinz Co	O	26.50	-1.72	Ventas Inc	N	71.58	-.30
Deere Co	N	154.84	-.22	LKQ Corporation	O	25.44	-.50	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	52.79	-.23
Discover Fin Svcs	N	83.99	-.64	Littelfuse Inc	O	154.41	-4.38	Wintrust Financial	O	66.24	-3.31
Dover Corp	N	92.19	-.23	McDonalds Corp	N	221.15	+3.14	Zebra Tech	O	205.61	-6.33

### MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	9.15	-.34	
Bank of America	28.33	-.05	
Chesapeake Energy	1.44	-.03	
Ford Motor	9.45	-.11	
Uber Technologies	40.05	-2.92	
Farfetch Ltd	10.13	-8.12	
Ambev S.A.	5.05	-.05	
Snap Inc A	16.98	+.22	
Transocean Ltd	4.33	-.25	
Pfizer Inc	36.35	-.52	
AT&T Inc	34.54	...	
Nokia Corp	5.41	+0.1	
DXC Technology Co	35.91	-15.74	
Freeport McMoRan	9.75	-.37	
Wells Fargo & Co	46.30	-.10	
Sthwstn Energy	1.90	-.01	
Teva Pharm	7.02	-.27	
Yamana Gold Inc	3.46	-.08	
Vale SA	11.55	-.42	
CannTrust Holdings	3.17	+.92	
Callon Petrol	5.16	+1.2	
EnCana Corp	4.31	+0.08	
Kinder Morgan Inc	20.37	...	
Banco Bradesco ADS	8.72	-.16	

### LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	34.54	...
Alibaba Group Hldg	159.12	-3.10
Alphabet Inc C	1188.01	-16.79
Alphabet Inc A	1188.90	-17.29
Amazon.com Inc	1807.58	-25.31
Apple Inc	200.99	-1.67
Bank of America	28.33	-.05
Berkshire Hath B	199.05	+1.47
Facebook Inc	187.85	-2.31
Exxon Mobil Corp	70.84	-1.54
HSBC Holdings pRA	26.29	-.00
JPMorgan Chase	109.74	-.12
Johnson & Johnson	132.04	-.36
MasterCard Inc	274.95	+3.09
Microsoft Corp	137.71	-1.18
Procter & Gamble	116.78	-.66
Visa Inc	179.05	-.85
WalMart Strs	107.28	-1.24

### LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.64	-.20	+5
American Funds AMCRNBalA m	27.38	-.08	+4.6
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	60.43	-.28	-.6
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	60.43	-.21	+2.9
American Funds FdmtInvSA m	58.41	-.36	+6
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	49.57	-.36	+2
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.39	-.09	+3.5
American Funds InvCamrcA m	37.73	-.18	...
American Funds NwPrsptvA m	44.10	-.35	+2.0
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	45.66	-1.13	+5.6
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.07	-.01	+8.1
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	39.22	-.37	-9.3
Dodge & Cox Stk	183.91	-1.10	-2.9
DoubleLine TlREtdl	10.76	-.01	+7.6
Fidelity 500lxdxPmm	101.59	-.66	+4.4
Fidelity Contrafund	13.05	-.11	+2.1
Fidelity TlMktldxlnvPmm	82.78	-.60	+3.1
Fidelity USBdldxlnvPmm	11.94	-.01	+9.3
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.27	...	+2.2
Metropolitan West TlREtdl	11.03	-.01	+9.6
PIMCO Inc2	12.05	...	+6.0
PIMCO IncStk1	12.05	...	+6.1
PIMCO TlREtlns	10.45	-.02	+8.5
Schwab SP500lxd	45.14	-.29	+4.4
T. Rowe Price BCGR	115.58	-.89	+5.5
T. Rowe Price GrStk	68.59	-.57	+4.2
Vanguard 500lxdAdmrl	269.80	-1.75	+4.4
Vanguard BalldxAdmrl	37.15	-.18	+6.0
Vanguard DivGrIn	29.91	-.05	+16.2
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	74.22	-.35	+3.4
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	84.69	-.66	+6.2
Vanguard HCAmrl	82.32	-.28	-.1
Vanguard IntTEAdmrl	14.58	+0.01	+8.1
Vanguard Inslxdlns	264.74	-1.72	+4.4
Vanguard InslxdlnsPlus	264.76	-1.72	+4.4
Vanguard InslxdlnsPlus	62.98	-.45	+3.2
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	89.94	-1.04	-6.0
Vanguard MidCpldxAdmrl	204.84	-1.66	+3.2
Vanguard PmmCpAdmrl	136.14	-1.12	-1.4
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.75	...	+5.8
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	73.53	-.87	-3.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020lnv	31.74	-.15	+4.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025lnv	19.00	-.10	+3.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035lnv	34.57	-.20	+2.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035lnv	21.18	-.13	+2.1
Vanguard TlBMDlxdAdmrl	11.07	-.02	+9.3
Vanguard TlBMDlxdlns	11.07	-.02	+9.4
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## EDITORIALS

### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

#### Rizzo an all-star off the field

I'm a 9-year-old boy who lives near Washington, D.C. About three weeks ago, I took my first trip to Chicago to run a 5K at Grant Park. It was the 20th of 32 races I am running for kids with cancer to support the charity Hopecam.

On Friday, July 19, I was so lucky to meet Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo before the game at Wrigley Field. I had heard Anthony beat Hodgkin's lymphoma when he was just 18 and in the minor leagues and how he now helps so many kids with cancer. My dad said Anthony turned 30 on Aug. 8, and he has been in remission for over 10 years. Double winner! I think Anthony is an all-star on and off the field.

When I visited Anthony, I gave him my charity running shirt and a note asking him to hit a "moonshot" for kids with cancer. He told me in the dugout that he would. Unbelievably — he hit a grand slam home run! It was the coolest moment of my life. Hey, I was on ESPN at age 9, and all I did was go to a baseball game!

Do you know what was even more awesome? Two days later, Anthony went into my running donation site and gave \$5,000 of his own money to help kids with cancer. He wrote me a note that said, "Your turn to hit a moonshot." Thanks to Anthony, over 100 kids are avoiding social isolation (five kids with cancer and their classmates). Grand slams are great, but I like Anthony's kindness even more than his powerful swing.

There is a secret I need to share. I have always been a Cardinals fan. Some Cubs fans might get angry. But this is the biggest reason I think Anthony is a hero. I think he wouldn't be upset if I cheer for the Cardinals. He knows baseball is just a game, and we should all be on the same team to help kids with cancer. And I will always be on No. 44's team. So many kids with cancer think of Anthony as their captain in baseball and life. The world needs more people like Anthony Rizzo.

— Matteo Lambert, Vienna, Virginia

#### Intolerance a threat to democracy

One of the beauties of our democracy is that it requires people who are different to interact. There is a lot to gain from perspectives different from our own. Our form of government inhibits intolerance. It forces us to cross the boundaries separating geography, religions, ethnicities, political beliefs, wealth and other dimensions.

Intolerance has been the downfall of fiefdoms, countries and empires. Shouting, shooting, enslaving, demeaning — all are weapons used to deny the reality and value of differences. Governance based on power that is too concentrated (dictatorships, oligarchies, theocracies, aristocracies) or on the accumulation of unintended powers (our current executive branch) inevitably creates unhealthy antagonism. Individuals or groups wielding this power are generally incapable of, or uninterested in, promoting practices that are equitable. The result is a growing population of those being discriminated against.

Thanks to our Founding Fathers, the U.S. has a solution — a well-conceived republican democracy in which governance can deliver a foundation for co-existence that is respectful and appreciative of differences. Despite the trauma of a great civil war and other trials, we've proved that republican democracy works! Foreigners, minority religions, various ethnicities, those with different levels of wealth, those unlike us — all can participate and contribute if they are willing to accept a few universal rights that transcend differences ("life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness"). What threatens this are those who are exclusionary, feel entitled to preferential treatment, tread on the rights of others and feel that laws, rules and ethical practices should be applied only to others.

Individuals or groups that seek to isolate and exclude those who don't look, think or worship the way they do present a fundamental threat to collective progress. Intolerance denies all of us the benefits of the complementary nature of our differences.

— Del Bloem, Lake Barrington

#### Limit foul balls to cut time

Periodically, the issue of the length of baseball games comes up, as recently as Aug. 5 by physician-writer Cory Franklin ("Baseball games are a drag. 3 ways to make the MLB fun again."). I have a solution, but it would be a major rule change and go against tradition. Namely, to limit the number of foul balls after two strikes to four. This would constitute strike three.

Former Tribune sportswriter Steve Rosenbloom discussed something similar in his Nov. 9, 2017, column ("Fair idea on foul-ball strikes," which proposed making a foul ball the third strike). In a ballgame between the San Francisco Giants and the Los Angeles Angels on April 22, 2018, Giant player Brandon Belt, in one of his at-bats, saw 21 pitches. That's a lot of foul balls. The late Luke Appling of the White Sox was known for his fouling pitch after pitch.

Mark my words. After a while, you would not only get used to this change, but you also would cherish it, and with a smile. And with a shorter game.

— Philip Schwimmer, Chicago

#### Stopping election meddling

I expect there will be more whining about how the federal government spent \$32 million on the Robert Mueller "witch hunt." But a substantial part of that investigation, of course, was looking at interference in U.S. elections by a foreign adversary.

Protecting our election processes is one of our most sacred duties. The \$32 million is a drop in the bucket of the federal budget. I can only hope that we will spend a billion or two more on investigating the Russians and finding ways to stop their meddling.

— Gary S. Benson,  
Attorney, Law Offices of Gary S. Benson, Chicago

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Lake Michigan waves crash along the shore of Chicago's Rogers Beach Park last month.

## In awe of the churning, devouring wonder that is Lake Michigan

Lake Michigan's appetite has been nothing short of voracious lately. Rising lake levels devoured two city beaches this summer as if they were cake pops. Motorboats struck submerged breakwaters, launching passengers overboard. Stretches of the Lakefront Trail were barricaded for the sake of safety.

Why are beaches disappearing? Blame in part a soggy spring that pelted Chicago with enough precipitation to push up each of the Great Lakes more than a foot above their monthly average. For two consecutive months, Lake Michigan has crested to its highest mark in more than 30 years, just an inch short of record levels set in 1986, the Tribune's Tony Briscoe reported.

Chicagoans have come to accept the fickle side of Lake Michigan. Lake levels rise and fall; that's just the cyclical nature of Mother Nature. Our lake has its impish side, we've noted previously. It keeps us guessing, and marveling. Six years ago, the lake sank to a record low of 576 feet above sea level. Today, levels are

nearly 6 feet above that mark.

This summer, the lake that gives us that quenching glass of cool blue also swallowed whole Juneway Beach on the Far North Side, as well as an expanse of 12th Street Beach on Northerly Island.

Scientists expect climate change to bring more frequent and intense severe storms, and in turn, more erosion. Other inundated shoreline stretches, as documented by the Tribune in July: Belmont Harbor dog beach, which looked more like a dog lagoon than a dog beach; Fargo Beach, completely submerged; and Rogers Park Beach, flooded, closed and padlocked.

We'd like to lather up a "Save Our Beaches" campaign, but solutions are hard to come by. On the Far North Side, condominium associations have applied for permits to construct or reinforce shoreline protections. The Chicago Park District could dump tons of sand to build up beaches that have washed away, but you know where most of that sand's likely to go — into the

maw of the lake.

Sections of the Lakefront Trail on the South Side have also suffered damage, and Park District officials say the city is trying to identify funding to do rehab work. At Northerly Island Park, the Army Corps of Engineers is working on a \$750,000 revamp that will better protect the shoreline there from the lake's wrath.

Local communities, residents and others should do what they can to protect our valuable shoreline, invest wisely in the lakefront and plan for an unpredictable future. Chicagoans should also recognize they are at the whim of a 1.3 quadrillion-gallon sheet of blue that at once enchants on a breezy summer afternoon — and maddens as shorelines crumble.

What to do about Lake Michigan? Fortify the shoreline, to the extent possible, mindful that scientists believe the future will bring increasing variability in lake levels. But also remember that Chicago perches on the shore of one of the Great Lakes, a powerful iteration of nature that isn't easily tamed.

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

I have written so often (and so recently) about the ways Donald Trump's GOP makes me sick that I won't repeat myself here. ... Then I come to the Democrats. ...

Experienced Democratic hands think the party will have a giant political problem if it nominates a candidate too far to the left. That's probable but not certain. Ruy Teixeira of the Center for American Progress has made a highly plausible case that Democrats should not expect to win the election simply

through a base mobilization effort, at least not when it comes to the states that count. Democrats did well in last year's midterms thanks to vote switchers electing moderate candidates like Utah's Ben McAdams. They did considerably less well with turnout campaigns that failed to elect progressives like Florida's Andrew Gillum.

Then again, experienced Republican hands never imagined in the summer of 2015 that someone as extreme as Donald Trump could win

the GOP nomination, much less the election, by mobilizing hidden GOP voters. And here we are. The only solid electoral lesson from 2016 is that nobody knows nuttin' about nuttin'.

So it's hardly out of the question that Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren or Kamala Harris could beat Trump. The problem is that too many of them advocate terrible policies, ruinous schemes, discredited notions and crackpot ideas.

— Bret Stephens, New York Times



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Gabrielle Dennis, from left, Quinta Brunson, Ashley Nicole Black and Robin Thede go hiking in Thede's new HBO series, "A Black Lady Sketch Show."

# An old form learns new tricks

TV's latest sketch comedies build upon mighty traditions

BY ROBERT LLOYD  
 Los Angeles Times

Sketch shows are the stealth bombers of television. Compared with the dramas and sitcoms that dominate the conversation in this Triple-Platinum Age of television, they can seem ephemeral, the well-fortified institution of "Saturday Night Live" notwithstanding — a fancy version of something amateurs put on in coffeehouses and YouTube posts with a smartphone and half an idea.

Yet this perceived lack of importance makes them an excellent vehicle for distinctive, even oddball points of view. Nothing on television in recent years has been more ambitious or radical than HBO's "Random Acts of Flyness," a sort of Afrocentric art-variety show by way of Jean-Luc Godard from the Brooklyn-based filmmaker Terence Nance; or Tim Heidecker and Eric Wareheim's Adult Swim series "Tim and Eric Awesome Show, Great Job!" before it; or Ernie Kovacs' surrealist blackouts way before that.

Often beginning with the question "What if?" sketch

comedy is all about possibility. It can be abstract, absurd, or shot through with topical urgency, expressing from series to series or sketch to sketch an individual vision or group dynamic. Freed from the demands of narrative and character development, sketch comedy tends to be more intellectual than emotional; perhaps it's more accurate to say that even its emotions are rooted in ideas. It's perfect for parody, satire, social commentary or examining the small quirks of human nature.

Sketch shows play with style; they are fast and fleet, highly maneuverable and modular. Maintaining their integrity out of context, individual sketches are easily plugged into online video platforms and social media regurgitation machines. The best have a puckish joyousness, even when the material is dark.

With all that in its favor, sketch comedy can still seem a secondary form, but its lineage is venerable, and the line is far from played out. Comedy Central has lately premiered "Alternatino with Arturo Castro,"



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Bashir Salahuddin stars in the IFC sketch show "Sherman's Showcase."

which brings a Latino sensibility to the form; two series with African American creators and casts, HBO's "A Black Lady Sketch Show," and IFC's "Sherman's Showcase," debuted recently. There is a small but mighty tradition of black sketch comedy on television — "Key & Peele," "Chappelle's Show," "In Living Color" and, going back, "The Flip Wilson Show" — among which these new series sit well.

"Black Lady" was created by and stars Robin Thede, who was the head writer on Larry Wilmore's "The Nightly Show" — Wilmore is among the famous faces, including Angela Bassett, David Alan

Grier, Loretta Devine, Laverne Cox and Khandi Alexander, to guest on Thede's show — and had her own current-events comedy, "The Rundown With Robin Thede," on BET. She's joined here, in an exceedingly nimble main cast, by Quinta Brunson, Gabrielle Dennis ("The Game") and Ashley Nicole Black ("Full Frontal with Samantha Bee"). For an actor, sketch comedy is a chance to demonstrate both personality and range: an opportunity to play many parts in a short time.

All sorts of ideas, big and little, spin about in "A Black Lady Sketch Show," but there is a tendency for ordinary things to quickly become extraordinary. A groom (Thede) can say anything but "I do"; language itself breaks down. A bit in which friends drink wine, gossip and play party games is revealed (small spoiler, sorry) to be taking place after the end of the world.

Other sketches include "Invisible Spy," with Black as a woman so ordinary-looking that no one can remember her; the "Pose" parody "Basic Ball," with "RuPaul's Drag Race" winner Caldwell Tiducue in the Billy Porter role ("The category is: clinical depression ... make your way to

the floor, if you can"); and "Church Open Mic," in which a call for testimony brings up congregants with their own agendas (stand-up comedy, market research, Instagram page promotion).

More modest, but with plenty of sideways charm, is "Sherman's Showcase," from "Late Night with Jimmy Fallon" writers Diallo Riddle and Bashir Salahuddin. (With Salahuddin's brother Sultan Salahuddin, they also created and appear in the fine new Comedy Central sitcom "South Side.") The series presents itself as a series of infomercials — hosted variously by executive producer John Legend, Mary J. Blige and Morris Day — flogging a "partially complete 23-DVD boxed set" culled from a long-running Saturday morning dance show in the mold of "Soul Train." A collection of essentially discrete yet mutually enhancing bits gathered under a fictional umbrella, it also has a wisp of nonchronological narrative surrounding its recurring characters, host Sherman McDaniels (Salahuddin) and his not wholly simpatico producer, Dutch Shepherd (Riddle, who acquires an eye patch and military regalia).

There are movie paro-

dies (Damon Wayans Jr. in a Montell Jordan biopic), game shows ("The Sentimental Price Is Right") and genuinely catchy musical pastiches, from the Prince-ish "Vicki, Is the Water Warm Enough?" to the smooth Afro-futurism of Galaxia's "Time Loop," which has been stuck in my head for days: "Friends, let me tell ya about a gadget of mine/ It allows you to go back in time ... The space-time continuum like pearls on a string/ You can move 'em like it ain't no thing."

When it comes to "A Black Lady Sketch Show," certainly, I am not, demographically speaking, going to be able to nod at every joke and say, "That's so true" — just as I am not the person in the comedy club to whom the line "You ladies know what I'm talking about" is addressed. Who you are and what you know and where you've been of course affect how you hear a joke. But I am a human being, watching human beings, and I'm interested in what the ladies know, and what they're talking about. And while it's true that some comedy is meant for specific eyes and ears, there is nothing particularly exclusive about "A Black Lady Sketch Show," "Sherman's Showcase" or "Alternatino."

BROADWAY REVIEW

## Meat Loaf jukebox musical lands far from paradise

BY CHRIS JONES

Long ago, in a desert far away, the Queen musical "We Will Rock You" opened at the Aladdin Hotel in Las Vegas. There was a wild party on the roof that night featuring, I kid you not, a spontaneous midnight concert by Meat Loaf.

Mr. Loaf — Meat to his close friends — roared his way through a couple of hits from "Bat Out of Hell," his brilliant 1977 album featuring a roaring suite of songs by Jim Steinman, eclipsing the stupid show everyone just had seen. If memory serves, one was the title track, sung at the pace of a megabat escaping Hades, and the other was "You Took the Words Right Out of My Mouth (Hot Summer Night)." Unforgettable.

The anecdote feels relevant because "Bat Out of Hell," Steinman's self-penned new jukebox musical at New York City Center dedicated to this awesome collaboration, feels very much like "We Will Rock You." Both are wild, inco-

herent contrivances featuring a tribal chorus of sexy young bohemians striving for freedom and creativity in a high-tech, mediatized, dystopian universe controlled by some faceless corporate entity. And by old people, who never learn.

In the case of "Bat Out of Hell," the crazy hero-kids are all stuck at the age of 18, which makes the central romance between Strat (Andrew Polec) and the unstuck rich girl Raven (Christina Bennington), like, super-challenging. "What about when I'm 38?" she worries rapidly, having escaped her crazy and controlling old parents, Falco (Bradley Dean) and Sloane (Lena Hall). Ah. Peter Pan. That idea was born in the 1970s, when Steinman was still in college and tinkering on a show called "The Dream Engine," creating material that later appeared on the 1977 album. The show, you might say, was long in gestation.

Which makes it all the more disappointing, prior London popularity of this

show notwithstanding.

You could forgive the dumb Queen musical; those guys didn't know what would work back then. But did not the success of the movie "Bohemian Rhapsody" make the case that iconic rock ballads of the 1970s and 1980s not only have an audience but deserve more dignity than some trumped-up melodrama that's about as contrived and absurd as it's possible to be?

"Bat Out of Hell" (the album, not the show) is a masterpiece: You surely know "All Revved Up with No Place to Go," "Heaven Can Wait" and, of course, "Paradise by the Dashboard Light," a stunner of a track you might recall by its immortal lyric, "Let me sleep on it, I'll give you an answer in the morning."

The music, of course, is sexual (the show is not), earnest (no truth here) and aspirational for your average pimply white dude, at least, being as the sweaty Mr. Loaf was no pretty picture. And it has some complexity and vulnerabil-



LITTLE FANG PHOTO

Andrew Polec and Christina Bennington in "Bat Out of Hell: The Musical."

ity, both qualities that you can only find well beyond the door of the City Center, which has received this West End hit, replete with some of the UK cast. If you're going to do a "Bat Out of Hell" in these changed times, surely you'd commit to a great rush of honest desire without recourse to gender?

Alas, director Jay Scheib's wildly uneven production of "Paradise" is played for cheap laughs, not that many flow. You might wonder if the show is tongue-in-cheek. Sure.

Like, twice. Those briefest flashes of droll "Rock of Ages"-style self-awareness are where the show should live, but there are great sweeps of material devoid of any and all irony.

There are a few bravura vocals, some from the underused Hall and the featured Danielle Steers, but also from Jessica Jaunich, an ensemble member who just happens to be better at most everything than the leads.

What else are you buying? The video-encrusted design from Jon Bausor is

cool. The band sounds great. There's real talent on the stage. And the songs are all there — great angsty compositions perfectly designed for singing in the bathroom mirror, your face scrunched up like Meaty himself, or maybe Bonnie Tyler or Ellen Foley?

Where was that reality? This music is just too good to waste on pastiche.

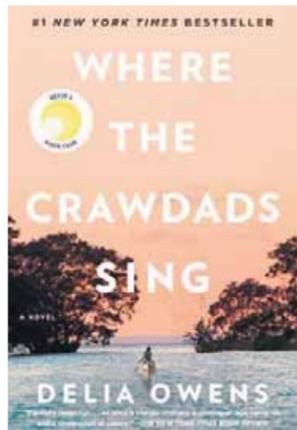
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## NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

## HARDCOVER FICTION

1. **"Where the Crawdads Sing"** by Delia Owens (Putnam) *Last week: 2*



2. **"One Good Deed"** by David Baldacci (Grand Central) *Last week: 1*

3. **"The Nickel Boys"** by Colson Whitehead (Doubleday) *Last week: 3*

4. **"Dark Age"** by Pierce Brown (Del Rey) *Last week: —*

5. **"The New Girl"** by Daniel Silva (Harper) *Last week: 4*

6. **"Labyrinth"** by Catherine Coulter (Gallery) *Last week: —*

7. **"Summer of '69"** by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown) *Last week: 7*

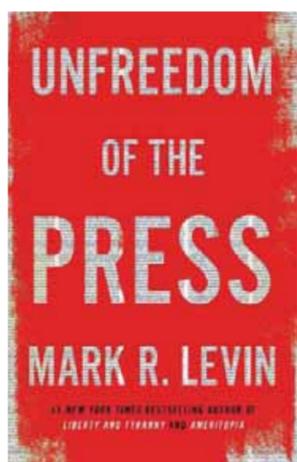
8. **"Chances Are"** by Richard Russo (Knopf) *Last week: —*

9. **"Under Currents"** by Nora Roberts (St. Martin) *Last week: 6*

10. **"Window on the Bay"** by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine) *Last week: 8*

## HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. **"Unfreedom of the Press"** by Mark R. Levin (Threshold) *Last week: 2*



2. **"Becoming"** by Michelle Obama (Crown) *Last week: 4*

3. **"Three Women"** by Lisa Taddeo (Avid Reader) *Last week: 6*

4. **"Girl, Stop Apologizing: A Shame-Free Plan for Embracing and Achieving Your Goals"** by Rachel Hollis (HarperCollins Leadership) *Last week: 5*

5. **"The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West"** by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster) *Last week: 3*

6. **"Dare to Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts."** by Brené Brown (Random House) *Last week: 7*

7. **"A Dream About Lightning Bugs: A Life of Music and Cheap Lessons"** by Ben Folds (Ballantine) *Last week: —*

8. **"It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered"** by Lysa TerKeurst (Nelson) *Last week: —*

9. **"Eat to Beat Disease: The New Science of How Your Body Can Heal Itself"** by William W. Li (Grand Central) *Last week: —*

10. **"Justice on Trial: The Kavanaugh Confirmation and the Future of the Supreme Court"** by Mollie Hemingway and Carrie Sev-erino (Regnery) *Last week: 10*

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— Publishers Weekly



## ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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## Toxic in-laws endanger allergic woman

**Dear Amy:** I have an extremely severe food allergy. I carry an EpiPen; I've been hospitalized multiple times because of exposure to this allergen.

My husband explained this to his parents when we started dating.

Since then, most meals we have shared at their house have had very limited options for me. They find a way to add the ingredient I'm allergic to, to almost everything.

One time they made a point to make a special plate containing this allergen, and then passed it around, while my mother-in-law announced, "I would have liked to have added it directly to the salad, but SOMEBODY has problems with it!"

I literally held my breath as it went in front of me, fearing I would have contact with it.

This food could kill me. When I was pregnant, my husband told them we would not take part in any family meals if they didn't promise to keep the meals allergy-free.

His dad said, "We can't promise. Everyone except your wife likes that food. We're not changing what we eat for one person."

My sister-in-law then berated me over the phone.

This has caused a huge wedge between my husband's family and us.

We no longer spend holidays with them, and rarely speak.

They don't get to see their grandkids. His sister stopped talking to us. He has a brother who still reaches out and is kind, but he acts as though his parents are set in their ways, and we should forgive them and move on.

Short of showing them a doctor's note, I'm not sure what to do.

My husband supports me 100 percent and he is very angry and hurt, but at times I feel terrible that I am the cause of this rift. I want everyone to be happy.

— *Disrespected DIL*

**Dear Disrespected:**

Given the way these people behave, I doubt a doctor's note would have any effect. They are either willfully and woefully ignorant of the life-threatening aspects of your serious food allergy, or they are simply mean and willing to endanger you.

You are not the cause of this rift. They are.

Yes, they are not likely to change, so I suppose you could make the effort to forgive them and move on. But in moving on, you will not be moving toward them, because it is dangerous for you to do so. (If only there were an EpiPen for toxic in-laws!)

If your in-laws wanted contact with you, your husband, and their grandchildren, it would be very easy for them to do so — at your house, at a neutral location, or at any myriad occasions in a family's life not involving food.

**Dear Amy:** My husband and I have been in a 33-year (same-sex) relationship. We were married six years ago.

I have come to the realization that I no longer like my spouse.

He has turned into a toxic, negative old man.

I have suggested counseling, but he dismisses it.

I am no longer happy, but because of our history together (and advanced

age) I don't really see leaving as a viable option.

Your thoughts?  
— *Love Him, Don't Like Him*

**Dear Love Him:** Marriage is hard. Getting old is no picnic.

Generally speaking, I think that you should not consign your own happiness over to someone else. If there are ways for you to preserve (or restore) your own happiness and sense of joy and also stay in this marriage, then do that.

Your negative, toxic old man of a husband is NOT going to counseling.

Go by yourself. Find your smile.

I think you should consider leaving the relationship. I'm not saying you should leave, but that you should consider leaving.

Then, if you choose to stay, you will have made an actual choice, and not merely a response to your own inertia.

**Dear Amy:** Responding to "Won't Host Again," my favorite way to get rid of guests at the end of an evening is to stand up, yawn, and say, "Well, we've got to get to bed so these people can go home!"

— *Been There*

**Dear Been There:** My friend Hop routinely announces the end of any gathering by standing and saying, "Well, Shirley..."

"Well, Shirley" now is our family's shorthand for, "Good night; now go home."

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## Writing about love on the spectrum

## Hoang integrates experience with autism in novels

By LISA BONOS  
The Washington Post

SAN DIEGO — When Helen Hoang was 12 years old, she skipped lunch for an entire week, hoarding her lunch money so she could buy something more delicious than a midday meal: her first romance novel.

Hoang soon realized love stories would feed her in a way nothing else could. Back then, she struggled with simple interactions but didn't know why. Getting lost in a romance novel gave her the vicarious thrill of falling in love without having to talk to or touch anyone.

"I felt like I was buying drugs or porn," Hoang said of that first purchase, noting that she tried to hide her obsession from her parents by picking covers and titles that didn't scream "sex." Eventually she amassed an entire shelf of bodice-rippers. And by the end of high school, she'd written her own. Hoang's first reader was her father, who warned: "If you're going to be a writer, you're going to be poor."

That paternal pronouncement, plus Hoang's sense that "growing up" meant quitting romance novels, led her to abandon them in college. But her brain kept chasing the endorphin rush of imagining two people in the throes of passion. At night she would lie awake for hours, drafting love stories in her head. She tried working in finance and managing her mother's eucalyptus farm, but she was miserable. After Hoang gave birth to her first child eight years ago, she allowed herself to write again.

Now, 25 years since she rode her bicycle to Kmart to buy that first romance novel, 37-year-old Hoang has published two of her own: "The Kiss Quotient" and

"The Bride Test," both of which have gotten rave reviews and "best of" accolades. A screenplay for "The Kiss Quotient" is in the works. Her third book ("The Heart Principle") is set to publish next year. She is not poor. She is incredibly successful in a genre that is difficult to break into, especially for women of color. And she's figured out why socializing has always been difficult: At age 34, Hoang learned she had Asperger's syndrome, a high-functioning type of autism. That revelation inspired her to create characters who are also on the autism spectrum, a trait that had yet to be explored in the romance genre and is resonating with readers.

"The Kiss Quotient," for example, follows Stella, a young woman with Asperger's who's never enjoyed sex, so she hires an escort, Michael, to teach her to be comfortable in the bedroom. Stella's path to a happy ending is littered with obstacles, from her discomfort with human touch to her frank — and sometimes unintentionally insensitive — conversation style. The portrayal is a revelation, both for readers with Asperger's, who have never seen themselves so accurately or compassionately depicted, and those without, who gain a better understanding of the difficulties of finding love on the spectrum.

For Hoang, receiving a diagnosis was healing, as if a puzzle piece that had long been missing finally locked into place. "I felt that I could sort of grieve for that girl that I was," Hoang said in an interview at her home recently, describing her childhood as a time she was "drowning in loneliness." If she'd known why it was so hard for her to make friends, perhaps those years would have been less isolating.

Instead, Hoang expended an extreme amount of effort to fit in as a teenager, often with little success. "I remember there

was a time when this girl — she told me that my facial expressions were scary," Hoang said, noting that she would study the faces people made on television and in real life and practice them in the mirror.

Hoang also relates to Michael, a character with Vietnamese roots, a mother who has cancer and a distant father. Michael, just as much as Stella, has to work through his insecurities to see himself worthy of love. The next book in Hoang's series, "The Bride Test," follows Michael's autistic cousin, Khai, whose mother travels to Vietnam to find him a wife. There she picks Esme Tran, who agrees to spend a summer at Khai's house near San Francisco, where cultural miscommunications are just as disorienting as social ones. Hoang's nuanced portrayal shows how the condition can look different in a man. For starters, they don't try as hard to fit in.

Hoang's books and her own love story show that misreading social cues isn't always a hindrance. When Hoang was an undergraduate at Cornell University in the early 2000s, she asked her martial arts instructor to lunch. "Oh no, I already ate," Hoang recalls him saying. Hoang wasn't deterred. The next time, she inquired about dinner. Again, he'd already eaten. The next time, she had a new proposition: Dessert? He didn't like sweets before bed. Someone else might have gotten dissuaded, interpreting this man's "no thanks" as lack of interest. But the teacher didn't realize his student was asking him out. Eventually, on about the sixth try, he agreed to see a movie with Hoang and realized half-way through that this was a date.

"I basically ran him down like a stag," Hoang said with a chuckle, of the martial arts teacher who's now her husband. "He's a physicist," Hoang said, as if being a scientist is code for clueless. Over a decade

later, Hoang's husband is a lot more observant: Without her vocalizing it, he can tell when she just needs to sit on the couch and let her brain unwind.

Hoang is so high-functioning — "for me it doesn't feel like a disability," she said of her autism — that she doesn't always feel comfortable taking on the label. But the diagnosis has helped her better understand herself and set boundaries. She doesn't do book tours or in-person signings, for example. She doesn't always get jokes or grasp when she's being made fun of. The day we met for lunch at a Vietnamese restaurant near her home, Hoang brought a Rubik's-style cube, so she could twist anytime there was a lull in conversation, and wore a T-shirt promising "FREE HUGS" above a growling cartoon dinosaur. When her husband picked out the shirt for her, she was confused. "Are people gonna hug me now?" she asked. The contrasting messages of the inviting phrase and ferocious creature did not compute.

In Hoang's world, cubing is a verb and a calming practice. (Stickerless jelly cubes provide a better tactile experience than the standard Rubik's, she insisted.) Cubing is a way to be present without having to engage with those around her. There are no social cues to read, only an algorithm to master.

Making eye contact takes more effort than it might for someone else. But ask Hoang about writing a sex scene, and her gaze becomes laser-focused. Like a choreographer directing her dancers how they should move and what emotions their bodies should evoke, Hoang lays out the key elements. A good love scene, she said with intensity and precision, "needs to have a purpose and it needs to be moving the story forward," she said. It should never be gratuitous. The love scenes in her books focus on estab-



PEGGY PEATTIE/FOR THE WASHINGTON POST

Romance writer Helen Hoang has published two novels, "The Kiss Quotient" and "The Bride Test."

lishing trust first and then building intimacy.

Just talking about how to write a good one — what words to use and which to avoid — is so steamy, her glasses fog up. On her phone she keeps a picture of her mentor, romance novelist Brighton Walsh, dealing a thumb's down to some of the smarmier words for certain body parts. Walsh selected Hoang's manuscript for "The Kiss Quotient" during the contest Pitch Wars, in which established authors pick unpublished writers to help through the publishing process.

Hoang has by far been her most successful Pitch Wars author. "Helen's work stood out immediately," Walsh said, "because it made me laugh on the first page and it takes a lot to do that."

Stella's journey has resonated with readers of all kinds, from autistic readers who have "never seen themselves represented in a positive way, especially having sex and having a normal life," Hoang said, to the parents of children with autism who worry that their kids are not going to have happy futures. Her books show otherwise. "I think a lot of it is about finding the right environment and being with the right people," Hoang said. In her books, the love interests are patient and respectful of boundaries, they

see their autistic partners as capable of love and worthy of it — even if the characters don't always see themselves that way.

Hoang still carries a touch of the shame she felt as a teenager who didn't want her parents to know what she was reading. Her mother was dying of cancer while "The Kiss Quotient" was in the midst of taking off, so she wasn't fully present for the highs of that journey. (Instead, she was sitting at her mother's bedside, cube in hand.) Hoang and her father have been estranged for years, but she had to let him know that she'd been diagnosed with autism (he's on the spectrum as well) — and that she'd defied his prophecy about her career. She told him she'd written a book but wouldn't give him her pen name. She doesn't even let her husband read her books in full, even though she might show him a few paragraphs here and there.

"There is sexual content that is not appropriate for him," Hoang deadpans.

At least she doesn't have to hide her obsession with romance anymore. Having just moved into a new home, Hoang finally has a room of her own — her first office where she can spin the next installment in her series. Near the door sits a basket full of cubes. Just in case she needs a distraction.

# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Megan Rapinoe

**“Nickelodeon’s Kids’ Choice Sports 2019”** (7 p.m., 8:30 p.m., Nickelodeon): Three-time NBA champion and Olympic gold medalist Dwyane Wade and U.S. Women’s Soccer superstar Megan Rapinoe enjoyed moments in the spotlight during the sixth annual edition of this celebration of favorite athletes and the past year’s most unforgettable sports moments, as selected by young fans.

**“Horse Racing”** (4 p.m., NBC): Saratoga Race Course in Saratoga Springs, New York has bigger races coming, including the Travers, but today’s Breeder’s Cup Challenge gives the winner an automatic berth in the 2019 Breeders’ Cup. “Win and you’re in” is the mantra and a trip to Hollywood is on the line as that’s where the Breeder’s Cup will be held. Last week it was the Whitney Stakes that awarded the winner, this week it is the mile-long Fourstardave Handicap.

**“Aquaman”** (7 p.m., 12 a.m., HBO): James Wan’s 2018 blockbuster was the first full-length feature film to focus mainly on this particular DC Comics superhero, which may help explain why the project went through such a tortured development process for more than a decade. It paid off in this case, thanks in no small part to a charmingly self-effacing performance in the title role by burly Jason Momoa, already known to fans from his TV role in “Game of Thrones.”

**“V.C. Andrews’ Fallen Hearts”** (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): Adapted from the third of five novels in V.C. Andrews’ Casteel Family book series, this chapter in the tale finds Heaven Stonewall (Annalise Basso) happily married and ready to settle into life in her hometown, until grandfather Tony Tatterson (Jason Priestley) lures her back to her previous pampered existence in the family mansion. Eventually, ghosts out of Heaven’s past rise up to threaten that cozy and insulated world.

**“A Taste of Summer”** (8 p.m., Hallmark): When Gabby (Roselyn Sanchez) finally is able to realize her dream of opening a restaurant, she finds herself forced to contend with competition from Caleb (Eric Winter), a former high school baseball hero who now runs a popular casual dining spot. Gabby doesn’t let it ruffle her too much until her high-class opening night, when she confronts a nearly empty restaurant because Caleb is running an aggressively promoted wings special.

**“My Favorite Shapes by Julio Torres”** (9:30 p.m., 11 p.m., 2:30 a.m., HBO): Julio Torres isn’t yet a household name in most of America, but in the comedy world, he’s red-hot. He has written some wildly acclaimed “Saturday Night Live” sketches and recently starred in Fred Armisen’s off-the-wall summer HBO sitcom “Los Espookys.” In this stand-up set taped before a live audience in Brooklyn, N.Y., Torres reflects on, yes, his favorite shapes, each of which has a story connected with it.

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## SATURDAY EVENING, AUG. 10

	PM	MOVIES					
		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30
BROADCAST	<b>CBS</b> 2	NCIS: New Orleans: “Inside Out.” © HD	48 Hours © HD			48 Hours © HD	News (N) ♦
	<b>NBC</b> 5	America’s Got Talent: “Judge Cuts 4.” © HD				Dateline NBC © HD	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)
	<b>ABC</b> 7	Shark Tank © HD	Press Your Luck: “105.” © HD			Card Sharks: “107.” © HD	Eyewitness News (N) ♦
	<b>WGN</b> 9	♦ (6) MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati Reds. From Great American Ball Park in Cincinnati. (N) ©				WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) © HD	Man of the People (N)
	<b>Antenna</b> 9.2	B. Miller	B. Miller	Soap ©	Soap ©	Johnny Carson ©	
	<b>This TV</b> 9.3	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night			In the Heat of the Night	Heat/Night ♦
	<b>PBS</b> 11	Father Brown: “The Blood of the Anarchists.” ©	Shakespeare and Hathaway (N)			Death in Paradise ©	Poldark-Master ♦
	<b>The U</b> 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad
	<b>MeTV</b> 26.3	Svengoolie: “House of Wax (1953).” ©				Star Trek ©	B. Rogers ♦
	<b>H&amp;I</b> 26.4	The District ©	The District: “Convictions.”	The District: “Payback.”			Hill Street ♦
	<b>Bounce</b> 26.5	♦ Johnson Family Vacation	Cadillac Records (R,’08) ***	Adrien Brody. ©			Swordfish ♦
	<b>FOX</b> 32	So You Think You Can Dance © HD	Beat Shazam: “Our Most Dominant Team Ever!”			Fox 32 News (N)	Flannery Fired Up
	<b>Ion</b> 38	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU	Law-SVU ♦
	<b>Telem</b> 44	♦ (6) Zootopia (*16) *** ©	Big Game (PG-13,’14) **	Samuel L. Jackson. ©			Noticiero
	<b>CW</b> 50	Chicago P.D. © HD	Chicago P.D. © HD			Dateline © HD	Dateline ♦
	<b>UniMas</b> 60	♦ (6) Megamind (*10) ***	Snakes on a Plane (R,’06) **	Samuel L. Jackson.			Godzilla ♦
	<b>WJYS</b> 62	Paid Prog. Moses	Bishop	Paid Prog.		Paid Prog.	House
	<b>Univ</b> 66	♦ (6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)				Esta historia me suena	Noticias ♦
	CABLE	<b>AE</b>	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©	Live PD: “Live PD -- 08.10.19.” (N) (Live) © ♦			
<b>AMC</b>		♦ (6) The Green Mile (R,’99) ***	Tom Hanks, David Morse. ©				Bronx Tale ♦
<b>ANIM</b>		The Zoo: San Diego (Series Premiere) (N)	The Zoo: San Diego (N)			(9:02) The Vet Life (N)	Hanging (N)
<b>BBCA</b>		Planet Earth: Life: “Birds.”	Wild Singapore (N) ©			Planet Earth: Life ©	Earth ♦
<b>BET</b>		(7:02) Friday After Next (R,’02) *	Ice Cube, Mike Epps.				Barbershop ♦
<b>BIGTEN</b>		♦ Penn State (N)	The B1G Show (N) ©			The B1G Show ©	Penn State ♦
<b>BRAVO</b>		♦ A Madea (7:22) Tyler Perry’s Madea’s Big Happy Family (PG-13,’11) **					Madea Big ♦
<b>CLTV</b>		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend
<b>CNBC</b>		American Greed ©	American Greed ©			American Greed ©	Greed ♦
<b>CNN</b>		CNN Newsroom (N)	CNN Special Report ©			Guns (N)	Movies ♦
<b>COM</b>		Men in Black II (PG-13,’02) **	Tommy Lee Jones. ©			Men in Black (PG-13,’97) *** © ♦	
<b>DISC</b>		Naked and Afraid ©	Naked and Afraid: “Stomping Grounds.” ©				Serengeti ♦
<b>DISN</b>		Descendants 3 (NR,’19)	Dove Cameron. ©			Big City	Big City
<b>DISN</b>		Descendants 3 (NR,’19)	Dove Cameron. ©			Big City	Raven
<b>E!</b>		♦ (6) The Devil Wears Prada (*06) ***	The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13,’06) *** © ♦				
<b>ESPN</b>		♦ Little League Baseball (N)	Little League Baseball (N)				SportCtr (N)
<b>ESPN2</b>		ATP Tennis: Rogers Cup, Second Semifinal. (N) ©				SportsCenter Special (N)	Cornhole (N)
<b>FNC</b>		Watters’ World (N) ©	Justice With Jeanine (N)			Greg Gutfeld (N)	Watters ♦
<b>FOOD</b>		Restaurant: Im. (N)	Restaurant: Im. (N)			Restaurant: Im. (N)	Restaurant ♦
<b>FREE</b>		♦ (6:20) Toy Story 2 (G,’99) *** (SAP)	(8:25) The Princess and the Frog (G,’09) *** (SAP)				
<b>FX</b>		Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising (R,’16) **	Seth Rogen.			Neighbors (R,’14) ***	Seth Rogen. ♦
<b>HALL</b>		♦ (6) Love and Sunshine	A Taste of Summer (NR,’19)	Roselyn Sánchez. ©			From ♦
<b>HGTV</b>		Love It or List It ©	Love It or List It ©			Love It or List It ©	Mountain
<b>HIST</b>		The UnXplained: Mysterious Phenomena: “Pilot.” (Series Premiere) (N) © ♦					
<b>HLN</b>		How It Really Happened	How It Really Happened			How It Really Happened	How It ♦
<b>IFC</b>		Galaxy Quest (PG,’99) ***	Tim Allen. ©			Wayne’s World (PG-13,’92) ** © ♦	
<b>LIFE</b>		V.C. Andrews’ Fallen Hearts (NR,’19)	Jason Priestley.			(9:03) Anniversary Nightmare (*19) ♦	
<b>MSNBC</b>		Saturday Night Politics (N)	Rachel Maddow Show			All In With Chris Hayes	Saturday ♦
<b>MTV</b>		Ridic. (N)	Ridiculous. Ridiculous. Ridiculous.			Ridiculous. Ridiculous.	Ridiculous. ♦
<b>NBCSCH</b>		♦ MLB Baseball: Athletics at White Sox (N)				Postgame   White Sox	NWSL ♦
<b>NICK</b>		Kids’ Choice Sports 2019 (N)				Kids’ Choice Sports 2019	Friends ♦
<b>OVATION</b>		Frankie Drake Mysteries	The American President (PG-13,’95) ***	Michael Douglas.			
<b>OWN</b>		To be announced	Black Love (Season Premiere) (N) ©	Iyanla, Fix My Life (N) ©			TBA ♦
<b>OXY</b>		♦ Manson: The Women (N)	Nancy Grace (N)			Manson: The Women © ♦	
<b>PARMT</b>	National Treasure (PG,’04) **	Nicolas Cage, Diane Kruger. ©				Treasure ♦	
<b>SYFY</b>	♦ (5) Red **	Red 2 (PG-13,’13) **	Bruce Willis, John Malkovich. ©			Futurama	
<b>TBS</b>	♦ (5:30) Suicide Squad **	Big Bang	Big Bang		Big Bang	Full Frontal	
<b>TCM</b>	Pop! (G,’69) ***	Alan Arkin, Rita Moreno. ©			West Side Story (NR,’61) *** © ♦		
<b>TLC</b>	Say Yes to the Dress ©	Say Yes to the Dress (N) ©				Say Yes ♦	
<b>TLN</b>	Unexpected   Pacific Garden Mission	In Grace			Humanitarian	Pure Pas	
<b>TNT</b>	Wonder Woman (PG-13,’17) ***	Gal Gadot, Chris Pine. ©				Cure ♦	
<b>TOON</b>	Dragon	Dragon Ball	Rick, Morty	Rick, Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy	
<b>TRAV</b>	Ghost Adventures ©	Ghost Adventures (N) ©				Ghost ♦	
<b>TVL</b>	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	
<b>USA</b>	♦ The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1	(8:35) The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2				From ♦	
<b>VH1</b>	♦ (6:25) Forrest Gump (PG-13,’94) ***	Tom Hanks, Robin Wright. ©				Creed *** ♦	
<b>WE</b>	Criminal Minds ©	Criminal Minds ©			Criminal Minds ©	Criminal ♦	
<b>WGN America</b>	♦ (5) Godzilla	Godzilla (PG-13,’14) **	Aaron Taylor-Johnson, Ken Watanabe. ©			Platoon (R) ♦	
PREMIUM	<b>HBO</b>	Aquaman (PG-13,’18) **	Jason Momoa, Amber Heard. ©			My Favorite Shapes (N)	
	<b>HBO2</b>	♦ (6:15) Wild Hogs (*07) *	Real Time With Bill Maher		Last Week	The Ring Two (*05) ***	
	<b>MAX</b>	Blood Simple (R,’84) ***	John Getz.			(8:40) Intolerable Cruelty (PG-13,’03) *** ©	
	<b>SHO</b>	♦ (6:25) The Dark Tower	Den of Thieves (R,’18) **	Gerard Butler, Pablo Schreiber. ©			
	<b>STARZ</b>	The Equalizer 2 (R,’18) **	Denzel Washington.			Sweetbitter (9:34) The Rook ©	
	<b>STZNC</b>	♦ (6:38) Apollo 13 (PG,’95) ***	Tom Hanks. ©			Spartacus: Blood & Sand	

# A stylish memoir from a fashion mogul

BY GENE SEYMOUR  
Newsday

You can always trust an autobiographer who discloses a childhood memory in which he and his siblings “had to smack a cereal box twice on its side to make sure we got the roaches out before we started pouring it into our bowls.”

This may seem a strange point to begin assessing remembrances as enthralling as those of Daniel R. Day, better known as “Dapper Dan,” fabled Harlem fashion mogul and groundbreaking virtuoso of luxury logo-bearing streetwear. Still, minor anecdotes like the one about the cereal box attest to a fine-tuned sense of detail that one would expect from a legendary clothes designer and culture hero.

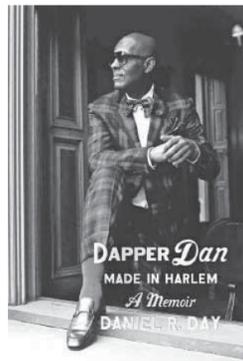
Through the 1980s and 1990s, decades rife with crime, crack plagues and economic instability, Dapper Dan built his 125th Street store, along with his brand and reputation, on a method of screen printing such name-brand logos (Gucci, Louis Vuitton and Fendi) for custom-made casual wear and suits. The Harlem gangsters comprising his first wave of high-profile customers were soon joined by such myriad black superstars as Big Daddy Kane, Mike Tyson, Eric B and Rakim, Jam Master Jay, P. Diddy and Jay-Z. How Daniel Day reached this prominence makes for a classic tale of black self-invention, an “Up From Slavery” for the hip-hop era.

Day grew up hungry in mid-20th century Harlem, “though we didn’t know we were poor because everybody we know was struggling like us.” Vividly, but without sentimentality, he evokes both the pleasures and hazards of living and dreaming in what was once considered the citadel of black America,

where “hustling was a normal, often lucrative line of work.” He once aspired to become a writer, and this book, however much its style slips into street colloquialisms, attests to his formidable storytelling chops.

By 15, Day had dropped out of high school, finding education and economic development through various forms of hustling, whether through petty theft, shining shoes or, most lucratively, what he calls “firing coffee,” or shooting dice. He was also getting into “the drug game” and was only able to get clean of heroin addiction during a three-month jail stretch on breaking-and-entering charges.

From that point on, the story assumes a more-or-less ascendant curve: Day forsakes a Columbia journalism scholarship for a summer tour of Africa, where he “fell in love” with both the clothing and the tailoring styles he encountered on the continent. African clothes, Day recalls, “fit me better than anything I’d ever bought or shoplifted from a store in New York.” A few years later, he returns to Africa as part of the pop-music



festival accompanying the 1974 Muhammad Ali-George Foreman “Rumble in the Jungle” in Zaire. During a delay in the fight caused when Foreman is hurt in a sparring accident, Day roams other African countries looking for “things to wear” and solidifies his calling to make “people look fly.” And that, on some level, was only the beginning of what was still an arduous advancement to cult fame.

Day conveys both his streetwise philosophy and the details of his life with a sangfroid that forgoes self-pity or simplistic bromides (for example, “If I can do it, so can you”). If Dapper Dan is telling his readers anything, it may be nothing more complicated than this: I was often tempted to count myself out, but I didn’t. Look what happened and draw your own conclusions.

DAVID BERMAN  
1967-2019

# Rocker for Silver Jews had a way with words

BY RANDALL ROBERTS  
Los Angeles Times

David Berman, the acclaimed singer, songwriter and poet best known for his indie-rock band the Silver Jews, has died. The artist’s slightly skewed albums, including “American Water,” “Tanglewood Numbers” and “The Natural Bridge,” earned him a legion of fans drawn to his smart, poetic songs about history, alienation, religion and addiction, as well as party barges, suffering jukeboxes and “honk if you’re horny” bumper stickers.

Berman’s death at 52

was confirmed by his longtime label, Drag City Records, which is based in Chicago. Last month the label released the artist’s first album under his new stage name, Purple Mountains. No cause of death was given.

Beloved as a songwriter, Berman was also a notable poet whose only published work, “Actual Air,” earned back-cover blurbs from poets James Tate and former U.S. poet laureate Billy Collins. His most beloved poem, “Self Portrait at 28,” opens with the line, “I know it’s a bad title / but I’m giving it to myself as a gift,” before cascading into a work on “the uselessness of a teenager’s promise” and technology that “will eventually give us new feelings.”

But it was his way with a lyric that connected him to his biggest audience. His first album featured Pavement’s Stephen Malkmus on guitar and backing vocals. A master

of the oblong image, Berman’s work across six Silver Jews album mixed playful metaphors with words of advice, random



observations and heady philosophizing. On “People,” he noted “suburban kids with biblical names” and the sound of drums that “march along at the clip of an IV drip / Like sparks from a muffler dragged down the strip.”

His most famous couplet opens the Silver Jews’ album “American Water.” “Sings Berman in a low, flat baritone, one that was a deal-breaker for many otherwise progressive listeners: “In 1984, I was hospitalized for approaching perfection / Slowly screwing my way across Europe, they had to make a correction.”

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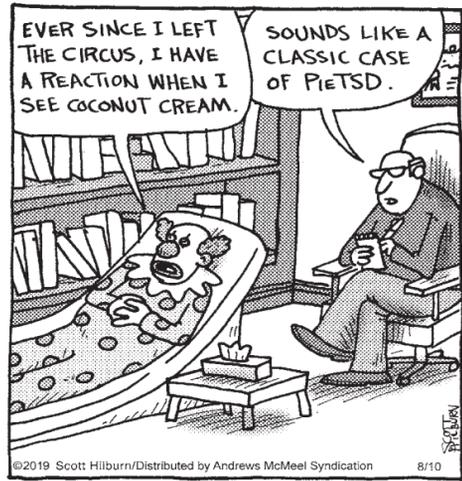


**Today's birthday** (Aug. 10): Pursue your heart's desire this year. Grow stronger with regular exercise. Surpassing summer health obstacles leads to blossoming winter health, before an introspective transition phase. By next summer, your heart gets pulled in a new

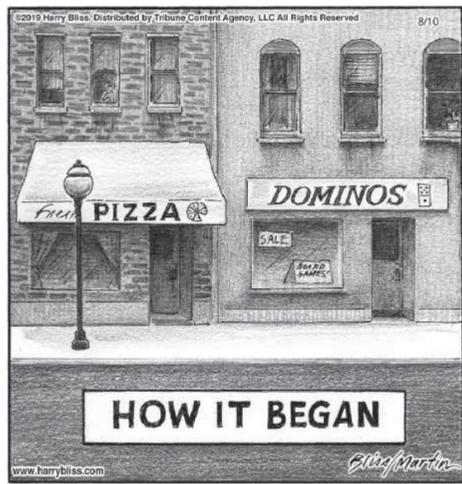
direction. The more love you give away, the more you have.  
**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. An interesting professional opportunity beckons. Organize, schedule and prepare. Get into a testing phase. Consider the possibilities.  
**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Plan your next adventure. Study the options, and stay open for late-breaking opportunities. Educational pursuits provide valuable skills and resources. Travel, and expand your boundaries.  
**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 9. Collaborate to grow a shared enterprise. Take care of financial management, accounting and bookkeeping tasks. You're building something valuable. Keep current with bills and processing.  
**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. Get moving for love. Take action for a possibility created with your partner. Let your heart propel you into generating results. You're powerful together.  
**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Prioritize health and wellness, even as demand for your work rises. Exercise builds energy, strength and endurance. Feed yourself, and rest well.  
**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Take action for love. Connect with family, friends and a special someone. Go for fun, romance and relaxation. Share something delicious together.  
**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Home and family have your heart. Follow up words and promises with concrete action. Do what you said. Clean house, and beautify your space.  
**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Use your creative powers of expression. Communication projects come together. Back up words with solid results. Utilize relevant facts to make your case.  
**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Profit from your words and actions. Make sure your team has what's needed. Keep spending tuned to your budget. Make bargains, deals and agreements.  
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Pamper yourself with extra time and attention to personal priorities. Try a new style or cut. Prepare for the spotlight. Smile for the cameras.  
**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 6. Gain a sense of relief and freedom with each project completed. Make plans and dreams for the future, while recharging batteries. Rest and relax.  
**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Throw your energy behind a team project. Hold meetings, parties and gatherings. Public participation benefits you professionally.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater



### Bliss



### Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

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|--------------|--|--------------|
| <b>North</b> |  | <b>East</b>  |
| ♠ 10 8 4 3   |  | ♠ A 9 7 2    |
| ♥ A 9 8 2    |  | ♥ J 10 3     |
| ♦ K Q 7      |  | ♦ 5 4 2      |
| ♣ 5 4        |  | ♣ 10 6 2     |
| <b>West</b>  |  | <b>South</b> |
| ♠ Q 5        |  | ♠ K J 6      |
| ♥ K 7 6 5 4  |  | ♥ Q          |
| ♦ A 9 3      |  | ♦ J 10 8 6   |
| ♣ Q J 9      |  | ♣ A K 8 7 3  |

Kerri Sanborn, of Delray Beach, Florida, has been one of America's leading players for more than four decades. She was South in today's deal.

Sanborn has declared many hands in her long career with only a 4-3 trump fit. Very few, however, have seen her as the player with only three trumps. She accepted North's invitation with an air of great confidence. She let the opening heart lead run to her queen and calmly led the king of spades from her hand. East ducked his ace, thinking it a routine move defending against declarer's "known" four-card trump holding.

**The bidding:**

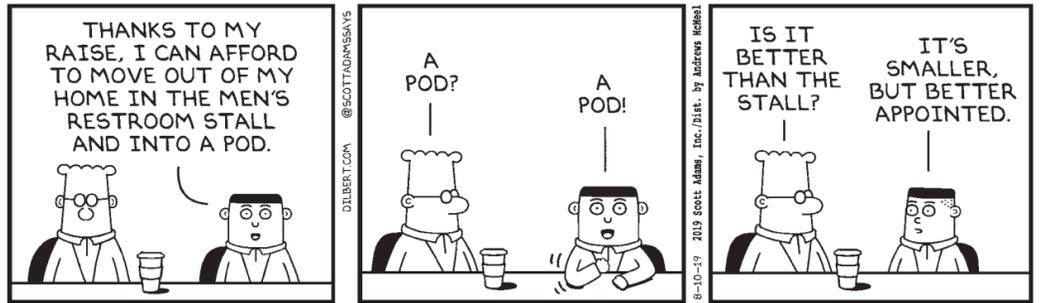
South	West	North	East
1♣	1♥	DBL*	2♥
2♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♠	All pass		

\*Negative  
**Opening lead: Five of ♥**

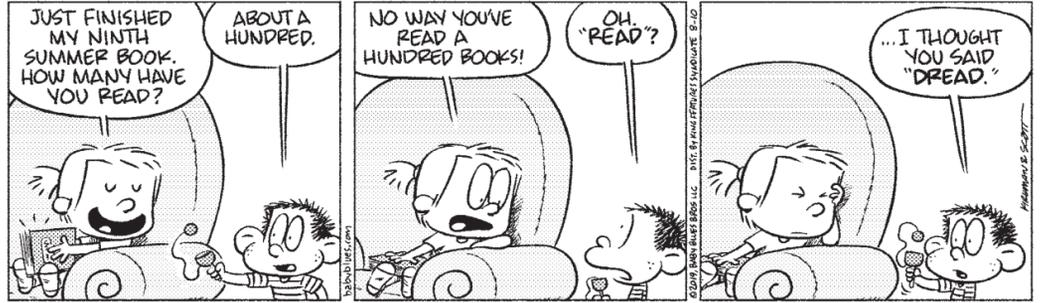
Sanborn led a diamond to dummy's king, winning the trick, and a diamond back to her jack, losing to West's ace. West, who thought Sanborn's trumps were headed by the ace and king and maybe the jack, put dummy in with the queen of diamonds hoping Sanborn would take a trump finesse. Sanborn cashed the ace of hearts and ruffed a heart. The ace - king of clubs and a club ruff brought Sanborn up to nine tricks. She led a heart from dummy, and when East ruffed with the seven, Sanborn over-ruffed with the jack and had 10 tricks. East might have ruffed with the ace and led a spade to West's queen, but then the 10 of spades in dummy would be the tenth trick. There might have been a little egg on the defenders' faces, but it was very well played by Sanborn!

— Bob Jones  
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### Dilbert



### Baby Blues



### Zits



### Mr. Boffo



### Frazz



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### Dick Tracy



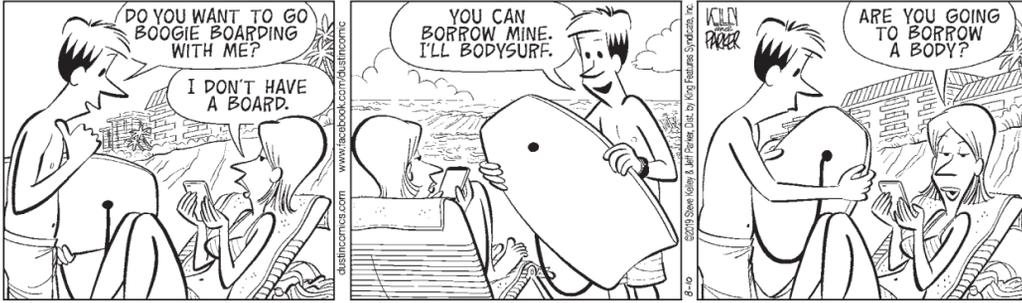
### Animal Crackers



### Prickly City



**Dustin** By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



**For Better or for Worse** By Lynn Johnston



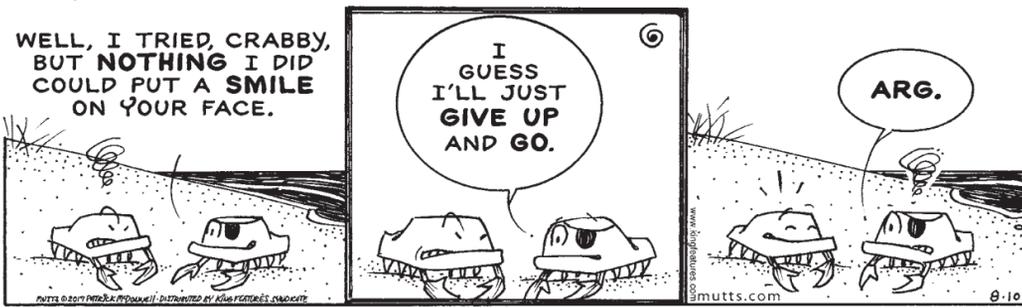
**Blondie** By Dean Young and John Marshall



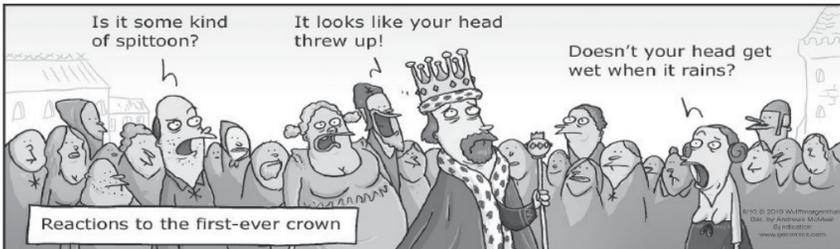
**Hägar the Horrible** By Chris Browne



**Mutts** By Patrick McDonnell



**WuMo** By Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



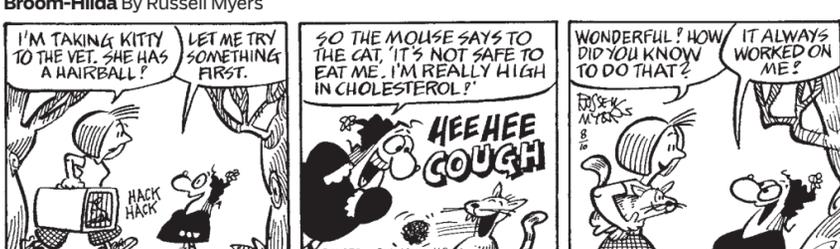
**Sherman's Lagoon** By Jim Toomey



**Brewster Rockit: Space Guy!** By Tim Rickard



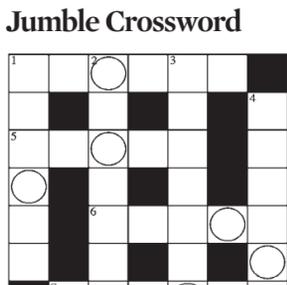
**Broom-Hilda** By Russell Myers



**Trivia Bits**

What was the site of the last major conflict of the Revolutionary War?  
A) Bunker Hill  
B) Monmouth  
C) Trenton  
D) Yorktown  
Friday's answer: The 1877 world premiere of Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake" was in Moscow.

**Jumble Crossword**



**CLUE ACROSS**  
1. \_\_\_ chicken  
5. Around longer  
6. Adjust  
7. Rewritten  
**ANSWER**  
WACHES  
RLOED  
TAKEW  
DETDEI

**CLUE DOWN**  
1. \_\_\_ dough  
2. Put under  
3. \_\_\_ Money  
4. Supported, financed  
**ANSWER**  
OEIOCK  
AEDEED  
RSTNEEA  
CKBDEA

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

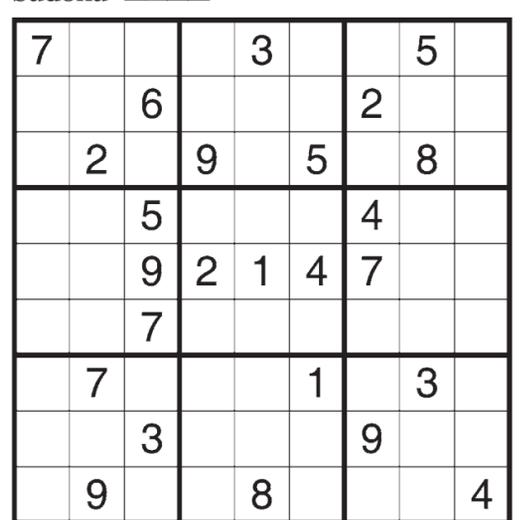
**TRIPLE BONUS**  
The circled letters can be unscrambled to form three different BONUS answers.  
CLUE: Ice  
CLUE: Bet, wagered, ventured  
CLUE: Assigned, burdened

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**Sudoku** 1 2 3 4

8/10



1	8	9	7	6	2	5	4	3
3	2	5	9	4	8	7	1	6
6	4	7	3	5	1	8	2	9
5	7	1	2	9	3	6	8	4
9	3	4	5	8	6	1	7	2
2	6	8	4	1	7	3	9	5
7	9	6	8	3	4	2	5	1
4	1	2	6	7	5	9	3	8
8	5	3	1	2	9	4	6	7

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

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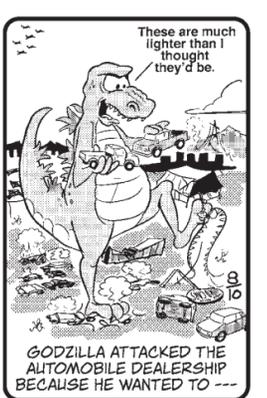
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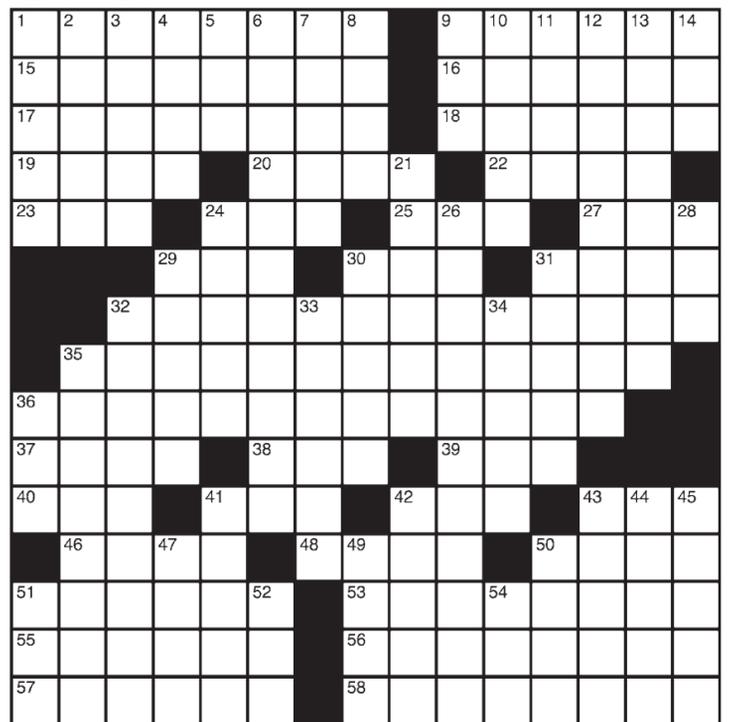
Friday's answers  
Jumbles: SHAME PETTY HONCHO CLAMOR  
Answer: The fashion boutique below her apartment was — "CLOTHES" TO HOME

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**Crossword**

8/10



**Across**  
1 It's read monthly  
9 Myers partner in personality type research  
15 Part of a backup plan  
16 "Ni-i-ice!"  
17 Walked all over  
18 Word on some special plates  
19 Klutzes  
20 Understand  
22 Added conditions  
23 Two-tone shirt wearer  
24 Word with side or prop  
25 Crunch beneficiaries  
27 Like  
29 Contributed to  
30 Issuer of three-part nos.  
31 Gulf of \_\_\_  
32 Exam given in spots?

35 "I know, right?"  
36 Hypothetical apocalyptic climate effect  
37 Single  
38 Transparent collectible  
39 Sticker in a garden  
40 Issa of "The Misadventures of Awkward Black Girl"  
41 Islands sound  
42 \_\_\_ stop  
43 Hold up  
46 Red state?  
48 Hideout  
50 Term popularized by le Carré  
51 Have a positive impact  
53 Rustic home  
55 Outwitted, in a way  
56 Completely dominated  
57 Div. with MLB's southernmost team  
58 Rush hour metaphor

12 Middle Eastern leader who grew up in Milwaukee  
13 What an anchor does  
14 Camera initials  
21 Sinus-clearing condiment  
24 TV comedy pioneer  
26 Nonkosher lunch, probably  
28 Tiny tunneler  
29 Recklessness  
30 Wrapped accessory  
31 Web-footed animal  
32 Group of local amateur teams  
33 Oreo O's, e.g.  
34 Many Rwandans  
35 Sushi bar order  
36 Paired conjunction  
41 Sole providers?  
42 Flora and fauna  
43 Crime-fighting sidekick  
44 Antipasto morsel  
45 "Seinfeld" surname  
47 Source of fizz  
49 Remark with a sigh  
50 Neighbor of Algeria  
51 Cubs' home  
52 Early EPA concern  
54 Scoundrel

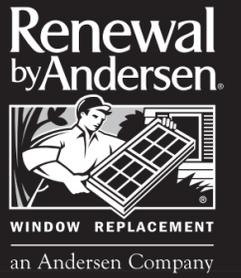
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**Down**  
1 Gainesville athlete  
2 Glowing rings  
3 Servers and such  
4 Spring honorees  
5 Unverified way of seeing  
6 Exchanged insults, as competitors  
7 Wedding, for one  
8 Second chance  
9 Gym rat's pride  
10 Emu relatives  
11 Confident assertion

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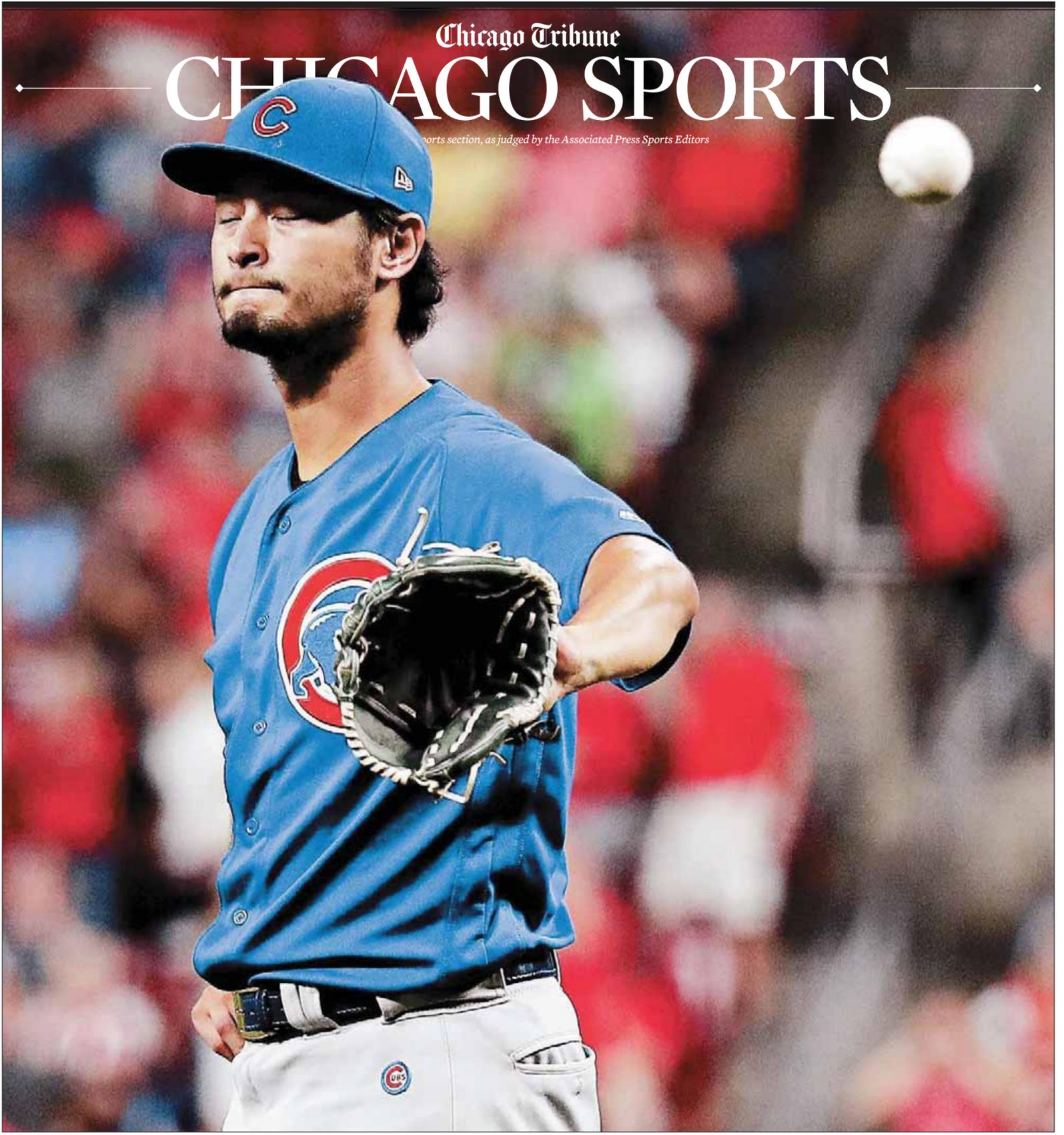


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**REDS 5, CUBS 2**  
 Yu Darvish (above) allowed only four hits in six innings Friday night against the Reds, but three of those hits were home runs that led to a 5-2 Cubs loss at the Great American Ball Park. Nicholas Castellanos hit a solo homer in the first off Trevor Bauer, his third in the last two games. But rookie Aristides Aquino hit a two-run blast in the second, and Eugenio Suarez led off the fourth with a solo shot. Joey Votto added the third homer off Darvish (4-6), another solo shot in the sixth. In his second start with the Reds, Bauer allowed three hits and struck out 11 in seven innings.

# You can't beat fun

Pursuit of good times is a never-ending story for the Cubs: 'You never do anything well if you're uptight'

**CINCINNATI** — Jason Heyward turned 30 on Friday, one day after Anthony Rizzo hit the milestone birthday.

To commemorate Heyward's big day, the Cubs pasted old photos of him growing up on a cardboard poster in the visitors' clubhouse at the Great American Ball Park.



**PAUL SULLIVAN**  
*On the Cubs*

But instead of giving Heyward his own poster, they simply pasted his pictures over photos of a young Rizzo and covered the name "Anthony" with "Jason" on the "Happy 30th Birthday" sign.

If there really is a "Cubs Way" — the term team President Theo Epstein brought to the organization when

he began the rebuild in 2012 — this was a perfect example of what it entails.

To avoid monotony, the Cubs poke fun at themselves more than most teams, and no one is immune from the daily shenanigans, including manager Joe Maddon.

After Nicholas Castellanos homered in the third inning of Thursday's series opener against

the Reds, Rizzo met him at home plate and pretended to feed him with an imaginary spoon.

It was an obvious response to the assessment by Maddon and Epstein that Castellanos has reminded Cubs players what "hunger" looks like. Because Castellanos is always hungry, it was up to Rizzo to feed him.

But Rizzo can be the target as well. Maddon on Thursday made

fun of a photo of a mullet-wearing Rizzo and made fun of his speed when asked if Rizzo has "lost a step" the last four to five years.

"It's hard to tell," he deadpanned. "I never thought he had one."

This is nothing new. The Cubs have been known to enjoy themselves on and off the field,

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## First thoughts: Fry may not be the Bears' guy

Lack of leg strength could force a look elsewhere

Good for Elliott Fry for hitting a 43-yard field goal on the final play of the first half Thursday and nailing an extra point in his only other attempt of the night in the Bears' 23-13 preseason loss to the Panthers at Soldier Field.

But I am having a difficult time believing Fry will be the Bears kicker when the season begins.

Watching him pregame Thursday from the press box — where there's a good vantage point to see ball trajectory — I have my doubts, and I write that after watching Fry and Eddy Pineiro hit every kick they attempted in warmups.

There's a significant difference between Fry and Pineiro when you watch them work from, say, 45 yards and farther. The ball flight is much different. Pineiro's kicks carry from 50 yards and longer, while Fry's



**BRAD BIGGS**  
*On the Bears*

barely get there. Of course, Pineiro missed wide left from 48 yards in the game, which doesn't help him — you assume the Bears will weigh these game kicks more than practice. Pineiro did connect from 23 yards in the fourth quarter.

When the weather starts to turn in October, how will Fry's leg handle the wind along the lakefront at Soldier Field? You want a consistent kicker, and I think you would trade a little leg strength for accuracy. But you also want a player you are confident can make a 50-yard kick. Robbie Gould didn't have the strongest leg when he joined the Bears but became very accurate, and as time went on, his leg strength improved and he became excellent from 50-plus.

What is the solution if it's not Fry or Pineiro?

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Bears kicker Elliott Fry watches from the sideline in the fourth quarter Thursday night.

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Our pick at No. 27, **Joe Fortunato**, made five Pro

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### CHICAGO STATE

## Documents show AD Zorich was fired

Reason for termination after 15 months on job is not in the agreement

BY SHANNON RYAN

Former Bears and Notre Dame star Chris Zorich was terminated without cause from his position as Chicago State athletic director, according to documents the Tribune obtained.

The university announced July 30 it had parted ways with Zorich, whom it hired in May 2018. Chicago State did not respond to questions from the Tribune about the reason for his departure, and the documents the Tribune obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request did not reveal why he was fired.

Zorich declined to comment when the Tribune reached him Thursday.

The separation agreement between Zorich and Chicago State states: "I have been informed that



Zorich

The documents show the university agreed to pay Zorich a lump sum of six months of his salary (\$67,500) plus payment for vacation time owed (\$10,450.49).

The records show Zorich was fired July 25. Chicago State named Jimell Bryd-Reno interim athletic director.

The agreement says Zorich agreed to sue the university except to enforce terms of the deal. The documents included a confidentiality agreement about his termination.

A tweet July 30 from Zorich's

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# Biggs

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The obvious player is Kaare Vedvik, whom the Ravens put on display Thursday in their preseason game against the Jaguars. All-Pro Justin Tucker nailed a 52-yard field goal, then Vedvik handled the kicker duties. He made all four of his field goal, from 55, 45, 26 and 29 yards. He also made two extra points in a 29-0 victory.

The Ravens are not going to keep two kickers and know they should be able to get something in return for Vedvik. What will it cost? That depends largely on how desperate a team is and whether more than one team gets involved.

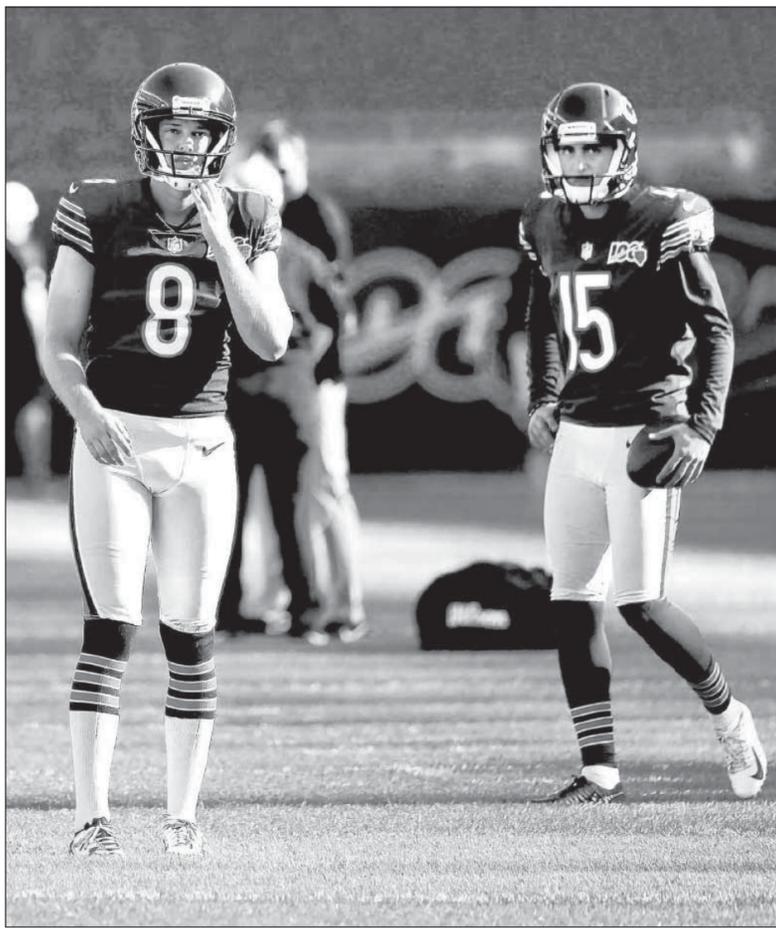
I asked a general manager of a team with a comfortable kicker situation what the highest draft pick the Ravens could seek for Vedvik. "Maybe a fourth," he told me. "People don't like to trade away their picks."

Of course, the Bears traded their 2020 fourth-round pick by moving up in the third round this year to select running back David Montgomery. But they could put together a package if they want Vedvik, who is 12-for-13 on field-goal attempts since the start of last preseason.

Heck, maybe the Bears will take a look at the Panthers' Joey Slye, who hit from 42, 55 and 29 yards Thursday. Slye, who came out of Virginia Tech in 2018, signed with the Panthers last week after Graham Gano was sidelined with a sore left plant leg. Slye nailed the kick from 55 yards and has plenty of leg strength.

I'm just not sure Fry has enough in his leg to win the job.

This column was excerpted from Brad Biggs' "10 thoughts." Read the entire column at [chicagotribune.com/bears](http://chicagotribune.com/bears)



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Elliott Fry (8) made a 43-yard field goal Thursday night in the Bears' preseason loss to the Panthers at Soldier Field, but he might not have the leg strength to secure the kicker job.

# Zorich

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Twitter 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."

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 serving as Chicago State's athletic director, he held the same position since 2015 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's basketball team. Both

teams struggled last season, as they have historically, with the men finishing 3-28 and the women 2-28.

Zorich replaced interim athletic director and former men's basketball coach Tracy Dildy as the school tries to recover from years of financial turmoil and administrative turnover. Chicago State was among the hardest-hit public institutions during the state's budget crisis, leading trustees to declare a state of financial emergency in 2016.

The university laid off employees, and its accreditation agency issued sanctions while the 2015 graduation rate fell to about 11% and the 2016-17 freshman class plummeted to 86 students.

A USA Today report showed Chicago State's athletic department revenue of \$5,249,433 in 2016-17 ranked 226th out of 230 public Division I colleges. Before Zorich's hiring, athletic department members discussed how they had to scrimp on travel and equipment to keep their programs functioning.

Zorich's past financial issues raised

questions when he was hired. The Illinois attorney general's office launched an investigation into his charity foundation after a 2010 Tribune report found its finances in disarray. In August 2012, Zorich agreed in court to pay back more than \$300,000 in unaccounted funds.

In July 2013, he pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges for failing to file federal income tax returns from 2006 to '09. Zorich's three-year probation was dropped after a year once he completed his community service and paid a fine.

"Those mistakes, I learned from them," Zorich told the Tribune shortly after he was hired by Chicago State. "Those financial issues were not because of a lack of financial acumen. It was unfortunate that I wasn't in charge of that aspect. I took full responsibility... I learned from it, I owned up to it. Now I'm ready to go to the next step in my life. I'm excited about the future."

Zorich's Twitter account has posted supportive messages to the Chicago State women's basketball team even after his termination.

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7:30 p.m. Rockies at Padres	FS1
9 p.m. Rays at Mariners	MLB
<b>BASKETBALL</b>	
2 p.m. WNBA: Dream at Fever	CBSSN
<b>FOOTBALL</b>	
8 p.m. Cowboys at 49ers	NFL
<b>GOLF</b>	
8:30 a.m. European: Scottish Open	Golf
8:30 a.m. Women's U.S. Amateur	FS1
Noon PGA: Northern Trust	Golf
2 p.m. PGA: Northern Trust	CBS-2
5 p.m. Korn Ferry: Portland Open	Golf
<b>GYMNASTICS</b>	
7 p.m. U.S. Championships	NBCSN
<b>MOTOR SPORTS</b>	
Noon Trucks: Corrigan Oil 200	FS1
2 p.m. Xfinity: B&L Transport 170	NBCSN
3 p.m. AMA Pro: Unadilla National	NBC-5
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6:25 a.m. West Ham vs Man. City	NBCSN
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11:30 a.m. Tottenham vs. Aston Villa	NBC-5
4 p.m. Barcelona vs Napoli (friendly)	ESPN2
10 p.m. NWSL: Red Stars at Spirit	NBCSCH
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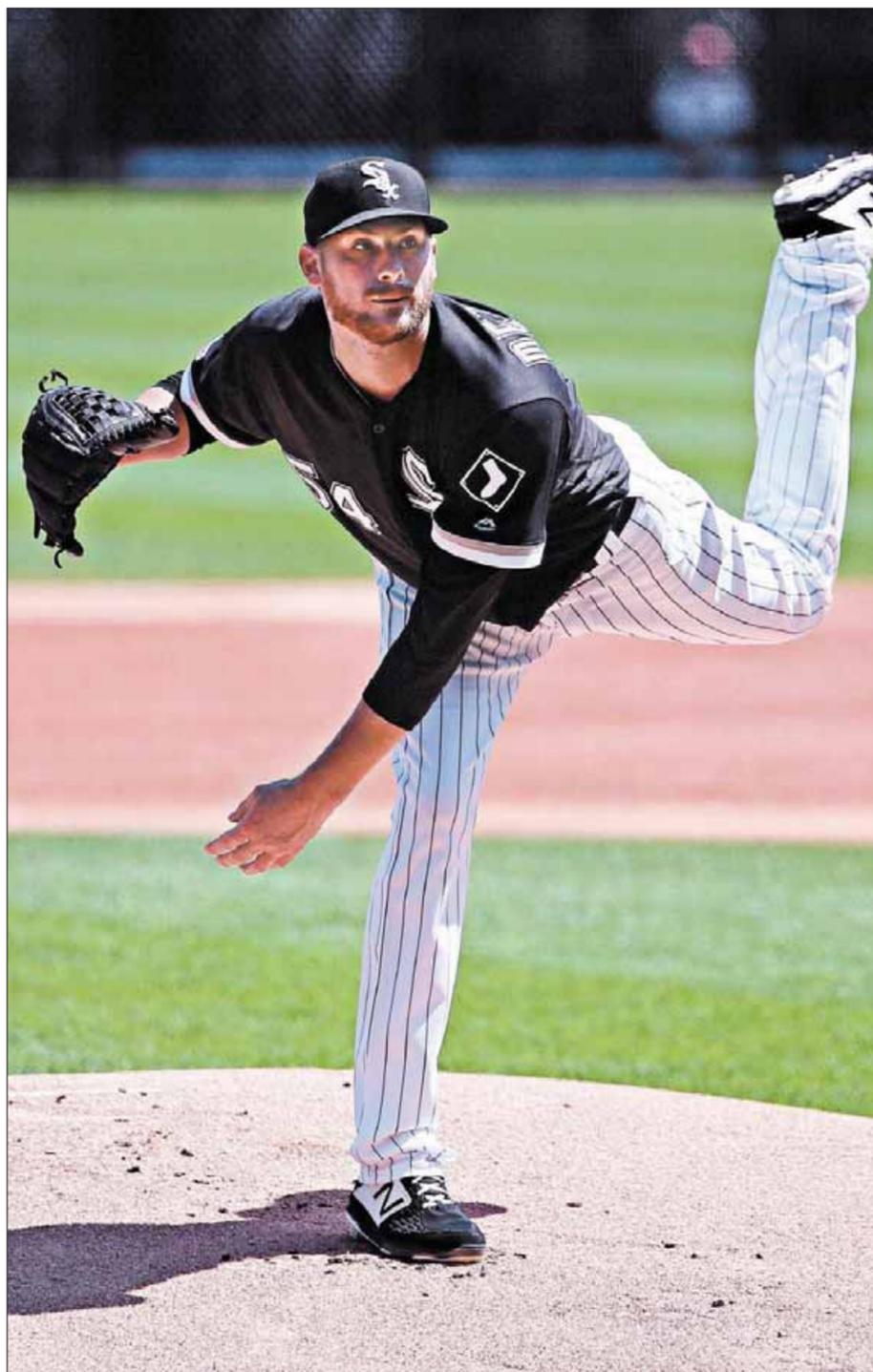
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## WHITE SOX



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Sox lefty Ross Detwiler pitched well against the A's but took the loss Friday at Guaranteed Rate Field.

ATHLETICS 7, WHITE SOX 0

# Home groans

Homestand opens with a dud as Sox hit only 4 singles

BY LAMOND POPE

Tim Anderson continued his recent hot streak Friday. But Mike Fiers cooled off the rest of the White Sox.

Anderson went 2-for-3, but Fiers and two relievers limited the Sox to four hits — all singles — while posting 11 strikeouts in a 7-0 A's victory in front of 18,318 at Guaranteed Rate Field.

"We obviously weren't able to get a whole lot going," Sox manager Rick Renteria said.

The shutout loss in the opener of a six-game homestand curbed the enthusiasm of the Sox's 5-2 trip. Anderson played a pivotal role in series wins in Philadelphia and Detroit, going 13-for-29 (.448), including 4-for-4 Wednesday in an 8-1 victory against the Tigers.

"I'm just happy to be back in the lineup, to be able to bring what I have to the squad,"

Anderson said before the game Friday. He missed more than a month with a sprained right ankle.

After returning to the lineup July 30, Anderson was hitless in his first two games but has hit safely in eight straight since, going .457 (16-for-35) during the streak.

"It's a great sign for him," Renteria said. "He's been trying to get himself back on track, and we're starting to see it the last few days, more than a few days, where he's starting to have really good at-bats and seeing the ball better, putting good swings on pitches."

The Sox hit well on the trip, collecting at least 10 hits in each of the final five games. But Fiers (11-3) allowed only three hits and struck out eight in seven innings to improve to 4-0 with a 1.58 ERA in eight career starts against the Sox.

"He commanded the baseball really well," Sox catcher James McCann said. "He used both sides of the plate effectively and he used his offspeed pitches effectively and he was efficient.

He attacked. He was able to keep us off balance."

McCann and Leury Garcia had the other Sox hits. Garcia has reached base safely in a career-high 19 consecutive games.

Ross Detwiler (1-3) pitched well in defeat. He allowed two runs on four hits in 5 1/3 innings, with both runs coming via the long ball: Matt Chapman homered in the first and Stephen Piscotty in the second.

The A's scored five in the eighth off the bullpen, including a two-run homer by Chad Pinder.

"A couple of pitches got away from me and against a really good team, they put them both on the board," Detwiler said.

Detwiler, who alternated between starter and reliever, bounced back from the early home runs to make a case to stay in the rotation.

"He's been doing a nice job to keep us in the ballgame, and there's no reason for us to think that we might not continue to use him in that role (as a starter)," Renteria said. "We'll just continue to make adjustments."

## Corny? No, 'that's pretty cool'

Sox players psyched to be playing in 2020 'Field of Dreams' game

BY LAMOND POPE

Lucas Giolito's favorite baseball movie is "Bull Durham."

The right-hander is also a fan of "Field of Dreams" and was thrilled to learn the White Sox will be playing in the "MLB at Field of Dreams" game against the Yankees next season.

Construction of a temporary 8,000-seat ballpark — next to the diamond carved out of a cornfield on a Dyersville, Iowa, farm for the 1989 film — will begin next week. The game is scheduled for 6 p.m. Aug. 13, 2020, the league announced Thursday.

"It's going to be cool, super cool," Giolito said Friday before the Sox played the Athletics at Guaranteed Rate Field. "I've been looking around the league the last couple of years and teams going to all these different places

to play baseball, and now we get to do one.

"That's pretty cool — get to head out to Iowa and play right in the cornfields."

Sox senior vice president for communications Scott Reifert said the game has generated a ton of buzz.

"It exploded (Thursday). The phones are ringing off the hook," Reifert said. "It just took it to a completely different level nationally, international level, quite honestly."

Ticket information was a big topic of interest.

"We're waiting to hear from Major League Baseball on that," Reifert said. "My guess is it will be months from now. What we're suggesting is make sure you're members of our blacklist. Go to whitesox.com and join. We'll keep you updated."

"The one thing that Major League Baseball has said to us is it will be a very limited distribution. Obviously the stadium is 8,000 seats in the middle of

Dyersville, Iowa."

As for potentially losing one of the larger gates of the season — the Sox will be the home team for the Iowa game — Reifert said: "Major League Baseball and the clubs take care of that, so that's been resolved."

Logistics for the teams still are being worked out.

"Doing something different, I'm all for it," shortstop Tim Anderson said. "But I've never seen the movie. I may need to watch it now."

Playing a game at unique location is nothing new to manager Rick Renteria.

"Playing winter ball a lot, some of the places we'd train at ... we had cows walking around the outfield where we were playing in some of the towns," he said.

This time, the Sox are preparing to see plenty of corn. Giolito took part in a promo for the event.

"Hopefully I get to pitch that one," Giolito said. "That will be cool."

## CUBS

# Zobrist lets his bat do the talking again

Second baseman homers for 2nd straight night but still avoids all media

BY PAUL SULLIVAN

CINCINNATI — Ben Zobrist has been a sphinx since starting his comeback attempt last week, declining to talk with reporters or posting anything on social media.

Zobrist hasn't said a word to the media since his final game with the Cubs on May 6, two days before going on the restricted list to deal with family issues after he and his wife, Julianna, filed for divorce.

Zobrist, 38, began his minor-league assignment last weekend, playing three games with Class A South Bend before joining Class A Myrtle Beach on Thursday. He led off and played second base Friday against Wilmington, hitting a home run in the bottom of the first, his second long ball in as many nights.

He finished 1-for-3 and is hitting .250 (4-for-16) in five games with the two affiliates.

Asked if Zobrist would talk with the media about his return to baseball, Cubs manager Joe Maddon defended his player's decision to remain silent.

"He should do what he feels is necessary," Maddon said Friday. "It's a very private moment, and he's exposed himself enough throughout this whole thing. I think what the people should be most interested in, the fans, is how well is he playing? How does he feel? And is it possible to come back and contribute?"

"That, to me is interesting. But he's letting his actions speak for itself. I'm not of the ilk that somebody has to reveal his personal life like that."

But Zobrist can address the media and still decline to discuss his personal life so fans can know what he's feeling and why he decided to return now.

Cubs President Theo Epstein said last week that Zobrist eventually will talk with the media.

"He's aware that it would be appropriate to talk to you guys at a certain point before he gets back here, and he plans to do that," Epstein said. "He's just not at that point yet."

Maddon has not spoken with Zobrist lately, saying he and the veteran's Cubs teammates are giving him his space.

"It's all respectful stuff," Maddon said. "It's not like nobody likes him. He has a lot going on. He knows 100% he has our support."

Maddon believes Zobrist "will say exactly what he's thinking" at the right time — on his own terms.

"I know he's got a plan without even talking about it," he said. "If I sat him down, he would give it to me A, B, C, D, E. And when he's ready he'll tell everybody else. But in the meantime ... he is focused on his home and his kids and getting back to the Cubs, and that's all that matters to him."

"So I respect that, and I know him well enough to know that's exactly what he's doing."

Zobrist was at DH on Thursday for the Pelicans and hit his first home run of the comeback attempt. He did not homer with the Cubs in 88 at-bats before leaving the team. He has one more game scheduled Saturday before the Cubs reassess the situation and plan his next step.

Maddon said "whatever he does (in the minors) he can do here, period." In that case, Zobrist appears to be well on his way back.

"That's my interpretation," Maddon said.



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Ben Zobrist waits to take batting practice Aug. 2 for Class A South Bend Cubs. Zobrist played Friday night for Class A Myrtle Beach.

## Sullivan

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whether it bothers some people or not. Nothing is off-limits, no subject is sacred and no idea is too silly to try.

That was evident Thursday when Javier Baez decided to bat left-handed against catcher Kyle Farmer in the ninth inning of the Cubs' 12-5 rout. Prodded by Maddon and his teammates, Baez hit left-handed for the first time in a game after doing it often during batting practice.

"At first I was scared," Baez said afterward. "The last time I faced a position player I was close to doing it, and Joe was like, 'Oh, yeah, do it.' I didn't want to do it because I didn't know how it was going to be. Everyone was like, 'You've got to do it, you've got to do it.'"

"I asked Joe and he said, 'Yep, you've got to do it.'"

So Baez did it.

"I was kind of nervous," he said. "But I wanted to swing so bad."

Baez wound up flying out to center on a pitch Farmer lobbed to the plate like it was a game of

16-inch softball.

So will Maddon let Baez try it again? It depends on the circumstances.

"The game was where it was at last night, they're throwing a pitcher throwing maybe 50 mph," Maddon said Friday. "I thought it was interesting. It was no different than putting (Victor) Caratini out there to pitch. It's the hitting version of that."

Maddon believes Baez could be a switch-hitter if he put his mind to it — the manager has seen him homer from the left side during batting practice. Baez said he wasn't worried about disrespecting the opposition by batting lefty.

"Every team knows I can hit lefty," Baez said. "They saw me on TV and social media."

The Cubs know everyone is watching them, and in the fifth year of the Maddon era they know they've made their fair share of enemies.

But no one cares what anyone else thinks. Maddon said they're laughing more these days, which is nice to see.

"A few more smiles and a refreshing kind of attitude," he said. "That's who we have to be. You never do anything well if you're uptight."



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Nicholas Castellanos is congratulated as he returns to the dugout after hitting a solo home run in the first inning Friday night in Cincinnati.

# BASEBALL

## American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	76	40	.655	—	—	9-1	L-1	43-18	33-22
Tampa Bay	66	50	.569	10	—	7-3	L-1	31-28	35-22
Boston	61	56	.521	15 1/2	5 1/2	2-7	W-1	29-30	32-26
Toronto	48	71	.403	29 1/2	19 1/2	6-4	W-1	21-35	27-36
Baltimore	38	77	.330	37 1/2	27 1/2	3-7	L-4	17-42	21-35

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	70	45	.609	—	—	6-4	L-3	35-24	35-21
Cleveland	69	46	.600	1	—	7-3	W-3	38-24	31-22
Chicago	51	63	.447	18 1/2	14	5-5	L-1	27-29	24-34
Kansas City	41	76	.350	30	25 1/2	1-8	L-2	23-35	18-41
Detroit	35	78	.310	34	29 1/2	4-6	W-2	16-39	19-39

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	76	40	.655	—	—	9-1	W-7	43-15	33-25
Oakland	66	50	.569	10	—	7-3	W-1	37-23	29-27
Texas	58	56	.509	17	7	5-5	L-2	35-22	23-34
Los Angeles	56	60	.483	20	10	2-8	L-7	29-28	27-32
Seattle	48	68	.414	28	18	5-5	W-1	27-33	21-35

Late games noted below

### SATURDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
<b>Phi</b> Velasquez (R)	4-6 4.23 7-7	0-1 5.0 3.60	2-1 17.2 2.04
<b>SF</b> Samardzja (R)	3:05p 8-9 3.70 12-11	1-0 6.0 0.00	1-1 16.0 1.13
<b>Ari</b> Soroka (R)	10-2 2.45 15-5	2-0 15.0 0.60	0-0 18.2 2.41
<b>Alc</b> Alcantara (R)	3:10p 4-10 4.50 7-15	0-0 4.0 4.50	0-1 15.2 3.62
<b>Chi</b> Hendricks (R)	8-8 3.06 10-11	1-0 20.0 2.70	1-0 18.1 0.98
<b>Cin</b> Gray (R)	6:10p 6-6 3.25 13-9	1-1 17.1 3.63	1-0 18.1 2.45
<b>Was</b> Corbin (L)	9-5 3.43 14-9	1-1 25.0 3.60	2-0 17.1 3.63
<b>NY</b> Syndrgard (R)	8-5 3.96 13-9	1-1 20.0 3.60	1-1 21.1 1.69
<b>Pit</b> Musgrove (R)	8-10 4.69 11-12	0-3 12.2 12.08	1-2 14.1 9.42
<b>STL</b> Wainwright (R)	7:15p 7-8 4.50 11-10	1-0 16.0 5.06	1-1 16.0 4.50
<b>Col</b> Gonzalez (R)	0-4 5.95 0-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 14.2 4.91
<b>SD</b> Paddack (R)	7:40p 7-5 3.19 11-8	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 14.1 6.28
<b>Ari</b> Young (L)	4-1 2.60 4-2	0-0 2.1 0.00	1-1 16.0 5.40
<b>LA</b> Maeda (R)	8:10p 7-8 4.37 11-11	1-0 11.2 3.09	0-2 11.0 10.64

AMERICAN LEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
<b>NY</b> Tanaka (R)	7-6 4.93 14-9	1-1 12.0 4.50	0-1 12.2 13.50
<b>Tor</b> Wagespck (R)	2:07p 3-1 4.00 3-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 17.0 2.12
<b>LA</b> Heaney (L)	1-3 5.09 5-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 15.1 5.28
<b>Bos</b> Porcello (R)	3:05p 10-8 5.54 14-9	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 17.2 5.09
<b>KC</b> Montgomery (L)	1-5 6.17 0-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 14.1 4.40
<b>Det</b> Turnbull (R)	5:10p 3-9 3.72 6-14	0-0 22.0 2.86	0-1 12.0 6.75
<b>Hou</b> Sanchez (R)	4-14 5.76 7-17	0-1 5.0 3.60	1-0 16.2 2.70
<b>Bal</b> Brooks (R)	6:05p 2-5 5.45 6-5	0-1 5.0 9.00	0-2 13.2 8.56
<b>Oak</b> Roark (R)	7-7 4.14 11-11	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 13.1 5.40
<b>Chi</b> Lopez (R)	6:10p 6-9 5.41 10-13	0-0 6.0 0.00	1-1 18.2 3.38
<b>Cle</b> Plutko (R)	4-2 4.55 8-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 17.2 2.55
<b>Min</b> Odorizzi (R)	6:10p 12-5 3.61 15-7	1-0 11.1 1.59	1-1 15.2 3.62
<b>TB</b> Morton (R)	12-4 2.77 15-9	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 18.2 3.86
<b>Sea</b> Milone (L)	9:10p 1-6 4.33 1-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 15.1 6.46

INTERLEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
<b>Tex</b> Payano (R)	1-0 3.45 1-1	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 9.2 4.66
<b>Mil</b> Houser (R)	6:10p 4-5 4.24 2-6	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 16.0 5.06

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.  
VS: Opp's Pitcher's record versus this opponent, 2019 statistics.

### RESULTS, SCHEDULE

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

**FRIDAY'S RESULTS**  
 Oakland 7, Chi. White Sox 0  
 Detroit 5, Kansas City 2  
 Toronto 8, N.Y. Yankees 2  
 Houston 3, Baltimore 2  
 L.A. Angels at Boston, late  
 Cleveland at Minnesota, late  
 Texas at Milwaukee, late  
 Tampa Bay at Seattle, late

#### SUNDAY'S GAMES

Houston at Baltimore, 12:05 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels at Boston, 12:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 12:07 p.m.  
 Kansas City at Detroit, 12:10 p.m.  
 Cleveland at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.  
 Oakland at Chi. White Sox, 1:10 p.m.  
 Texas at Milwaukee, 1:10 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay at Seattle, 3:10 p.m.

### BOX SCORES

ATHLETICS 7, WHITE SOX 0
<b>OAKLAND</b> AB R H BI SO AVG
Semien ss 4 0 0 0 2 275
Chapman 3b 5 1 2 1 0 254
Olson lf 5 0 0 0 0 250
Cahill cf 3 1 2 0 0 255
Pinder lf 3 1 1 2 2 251
Davis dh 3 0 0 0 0 228
Piscotty rf 4 2 2 1 0 248
Profar 2b 4 1 1 1 0 209
Garneau c 3 0 1 2 1 244
<b>TOTALS</b> 34 7 9 7

CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Garcia 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.289
Abreu 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.269
McCann c	3	0	1	0	2	.388
Jay rf	4	0	0	0	0	.203
Winker lf	3	0	0	0	1	.235
Landerson ss	3	0	0	0	2	.326
Jimenez dh	3	0	0	0	2	.229
Cordell cf	3	0	0	0	1	.229
<b>TOTALS</b>	30	0	4	0	11	

**LOB:** Oakland 8, Chicago 5. **2B:** Profar (17); Garcia (5). **HR:** Chapman (25), off Detwiler; Piscotty (1), off Detwiler; Pinder (1), off Fry. **RBI:** Chapman (65), Pinder 2 (39), Piscotty (29), Profar (51), Garneau 2 (44), SB: Landerson (16). **Runners left in scoring position:** Oakland 3 (Olson, Davis, Profar); Chicago 2 (Garcia, Cordell). **RISP:** Oakland 2 for 9; Chicago 0 for 4. **Runners moved up:** Skole. **LIDP:** Olson. **GIDP:** Goins. **DP:** Oakland 1 (Profar, Semien, Olson); Chicago 1 (Garcia, Landerson).

OAKLAND	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Fiers, W, 11-3	7	3	0	0	0	8	3.30
Diekman	1	0	0	0	2	236	
Castillo	1	0	0	0	0	436	
<b>TOTALS</b>	9	3	0	0	2	4.36	

**CHICAGO** IP H R ER BB SO ERA  
 Detwiler, L, 1-3 5 4 2 2 4 4 5.35  
 Ruiz 1 0 0 0 0 2 2.77  
 Fry 2 0 2 4 2 2 5.62  
 Osich 2 3 1 1 0 2 5.03  
 Fry pitched to 4 batters in the 8th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Ruiz 2-0, Osich 2-2. **HBP:** Detwiler (Pinder), Fiers 2 (McCann, Abreu). **Umpires:** H, Jansen Visconti; 1B, Will Little; 2B, Joe West; 3B, Andy Fletcher. **Time:** 2:50. A: 18,318 (40,615).

#### THURSDAY: PADRES 9, ROCKIES 3

COLORADO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Blackmon rf	4	2	2	1	0	.324
Story ss	4	0	2	1	1	.284
Arenado 3b	4	1	1	0	2	.306
McMahon 1b	4	0	1	1	2	.296
Murphy 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.263
Desmond lf	4	0	0	0	2	.263
Margot pr-cf	2	2	1	0	1	.248
Urias 2b	3	2	1	0	1	.143
Lauer p	1	0	0	0	0	.107
Strahm p	0	0	0	0	0	.300
Garcia ph	0	1	0	0	0	.277
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Stammen p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Kinsler ph	1	0	0	0	0	.216
Perdomo p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
<b>TOTALS</b>	33	9	8	6	8	

SAN DIEGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Tatis Jr. ss	5	2	2	2	1	.326
Mcysler lf	5	0	1	2	0	.287
Machado 3b	3	1	0	0	2	.280
Hosmer 1b	4	0	1	1	3	.220
Mejia c	4	1	2	0	1	.263
Renfroe rf	4	0	0	0	2	.233
Desmond lf	1	0	0	0	1	.280
Margot pr-cf	2	2	1	0	1	.248
Urias 2b	3	2	1	0	1	.143
Lauer p	1	0	0	0	0	.107
Strahm p	0	0	0	0	0	.300
Garcia ph	0	1	0	0	0	.277
Castillo p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Stammen p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Kinsler ph	1	0	0	0	0	.216
Perdomo p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
<b>TOTALS</b>	33	9	8	6	8	

SAN DIEGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gray, L, 10-8	5 1/2	6	7	3	2	4	4.06
Diaz	1 1/2	1	1	0	0	3	4.79
Shaw	1	1	1	1	1	1	5.43
<b>TOTALS</b>	8	8	9	4	3	5.43	

**E:** Story 2 (7), Diaz (1). **LOB:** Col 8, SD 5. **2B:** Blackmon (29), Story (28), Myers (16), Urias (2). **HR:** Blackmon (24), off Lauer; Tatis Jr. (22), off Gray; Margot (9), off Fry. **RBI:** Blackmon (65), Story (65), Murphy (61), Tatis Jr. 2 (51), Myers 2 (35), Hosmer (78), Margot (24), SB: Story (15), Machado (4). **CS:** Tatis Jr. (3). **S:** Lauer. **COLORADO** IP H R ER BB SO ERA  
 Lauer 4 2 2 1 0 3 2.4  
 Strahm, W, 5-8 2 0 0 0 0 2 4.24  
 Castillo 1/2 0 0 0 0 1 0.00  
 Stammen 1 1/2 0 0 0 0 1 3.34  
 Perdomo 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 3.94  
 Lauer pitched to 2 batters in the 5th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Diaz 2-2, Strahm 1-0. **Umpires:** H, Jansen Visconti; 1B, Will Little; 2B, Joe West; 3B, Andy Fletcher. **Time:** 2:50. A: 18,318 (40,615).

#### REDS 5, CUBS 2

CHICAGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Heyward cf	3	1	1	0	0	.271
Castellanos rf	4	1	1	1	2	.284
Bryant 3b	2	0	1	0	1	.292
Rizzo 1b	3	0	2	1	1	.289
Baez ss	4	0	0	0	1	.291
Votto lf	4	0	1	1	1	.256
Schwabber lf	4	0	0	0	2	.231
Caratini c	4	0	0	0	1	.263
Darvish p	2	0	0	0	1	.103
Kemp ph	0	0	0	0	0	.219
Cishek cf	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Holland p	0	0	0	0	0	.083
d-Lucroy ph	1	0	0	0	1	.248
<b>TOTALS</b>	32	2	5	2	13	

CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Winker lf	3	0	0	0	1	.267
c-Ervin ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	.359
Votto lf	1	1	1	1	1	.294
Suarez 3b	4	1	1	3	.257	
VanMeter 2b	3	1	1	0	0	.277
Aquino rf	3	1	2	1	.417	
Senzel cf	3	1	1	0	1	.278
Barnhart c	3	0	0	0	0	.215
Peraza ss	3	0	1	1	1	.236
Bauer p	2	0	0	0	2	.125
c-Grady ph	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Lorenzen p	0	0				

## SCOREBOARD

## ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL		SATURDAY	
NATIONAL LEAGUE	at San Fran. -110	Philadelphia	+100
	at Atlanta -210	at Miami	+190
	at Cincinnati -105	Chicago	-105
	at New York -105	Washington	-105
	at St. Louis -145	Pittsburgh	+135
	at San Diego -185	Colorado	+170
	at LA Dodgers -183	Arizona	+168
AMERICAN LEAGUE		SATURDAY	
	New York -164	at Toronto	+154
	at Boston -137	LA Angels	+127
	at Detroit -115	Kansas City	+105
	Houston -245	at Baltimore	+225
	at Minnesota -146	Cleveland	+136
	Oakland -162	at Chicago	+152
	at Seattle	off Tampa Bay	off
INTERLEAGUE		SATURDAY	
	at Milwaukee	off Texas	off

## NFL PRESEASON

NFL PRESEASON		SATURDAY	
	at Kansas City 3½	Cincinnati	
	at Oakland 5	LA Rams	
	at San Fran. 4½	Dallas	

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## NFL PRESEASON

AFC EAST		W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Buffalo	1	0	0	1.000	24	16	
New England	1	0	0	1.000	31	3	
Miami	1	0	0	1.000	34	27	
N.Y. Jets	0	1	0	.000	22	31	

## AFC NORTH

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000	29	0
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	30	10
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	30	28
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0

## AFC SOUTH

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Tennessee	1	0	0	1.000	27	10
Houston	0	1	0	.000	26	28
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	16	24
Jacksonville	0	1	0	.000	0	29

## AFC WEST

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Denver	1	1	0	.500	28	32
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Chargers	0	1	0	.000	13	17

## NFC EAST

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
N.Y. Giants	1	0	0	1.000	31	22
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	1	0	.000	10	27
Washington	0	1	0	.000	10	30

## NFC NORTH

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	34	25
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	28	26
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	13	23
Detroit	0	1	0	.000	3	31

## NFC SOUTH

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	23	13
Tampa Bay	0	1	0	.000	28	30
New Orleans	0	1	0	.000	25	34
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	37	48

## NFC WEST

W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA	
Arizona	1	0	0	1.000	17	13
Seattle	1	0	0	1.000	22	14
L.A. Rams	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	.000	0	0

## FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Pittsburgh 30, Tampa Bay 28  
 Minnesota 34, New Orleans 25  
**SATURDAY'S GAMES**  
 Cincinnati at Kansas City, 7 p.m.  
 L.A. Rams at Oakland, 7 p.m.  
 Dallas at San Francisco, 8 p.m.

## TENNIS

## WTA ROGERS CUP

**QF in Toronto; outdoors-hard**  
 #8 Serena Williams d.  
 #2 Naomi Osaka, 6-3, 6-4.  
 Bianca Andreescu d.  
 #3 Karolina Pliskova, 6-0, 2-6, 6-4.  
 Marie Bouzkova d.  
 #4 Simona Halep, 6-4, retired.  
 Sofia Kenin d.  
 #6 Elina Svitolina, 7-6 (2), 6-4.

## ATP ROGERS CUP

**QF in Montreal; outdoors-hard**  
 #1 Rafael Nadal vs.  
 #7 Fabio Fognini, 2-6, 6-1, 6-2.  
 #8 Daniil Medvedev d.  
 #2 Dominic Thiem, 6-3, 6-1.  
 #6 Karen Khachanov d.  
 #3 Alexander Zverev, 6-3, 6-3.  
 #10 Roberto Bautista Agut vs.  
 #16 Gael Monfils, suspended.

## WNBA

EASTERN		W	L	PCT	GB
Connecticut	16	7	.696	—	
Washington	16	7	.696	—	
Chicago	14	9	.609	2	
New York	8	14	.364	7½	
Indiana	8	16	.333	8½	
Atlanta	5	18	.217	11	

## WESTERN

W	L	PCT	GB	
Las Vegas	15	9	.625	—
Los Angeles	14	8	.636	—
Seattle	13	11	.542	2
Minnesota	12	11	.522	2½
Phoenix	11	11	.500	3
Dallas	6	17	.261	8½

## FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Minnesota 89, Connecticut 57  
 Chicago 87, Las Vegas 84  
**SATURDAY'S GAMES**  
 Atlanta at Indiana, 2 p.m.  
 Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

## SUNDAY'S GAMES

Minnesota at Washington, 2 p.m.  
 Seattle at New York, 2 p.m.  
 Chicago at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.  
 Connecticut at Las Vegas, 5 p.m.

## SOCCER

## MLS

EASTERN		W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	12	7	6	42	46	37	
Atlanta	12	9	3	39	41	29	
N.Y. City FC	10	4	8	38	40	29	
N.Y. Red Bulls	11	9	4	37	41	34	
D.C. United	9	7	9	36	32	31	
Montreal	10	12	3	33	34	44	
New England	9	9	4	31	34	41	
Toronto FC	9	10	5	32	38	40	
Orlando City	8	11	5	29	32	33	
Chicago	6	10	9	27	35	35	
Columbus	7	14	4	25	25	37	
Cincinnati	5	17	2	17	23	55	

## WESTERN

W	L	T	PT	GF	GA	
Los Angeles FC	16	3	4	52	61	33
Minnesota	11	7	5	38	39	20
San Jose	11	7	5	38	40	34
Seattle	11	6	5	38	33	28
LA Galaxy	12	10	1	37	30	34
Real Salt Lake	10	9	4	34	33	31
FC Dallas	9	9	6	33	31	28
Portland	9	9	4	31	35	33
Houston	9	12	3	30	34	39
Sporting KC	6	9	7	25	33	39
Vancouver	5	11	9	24	25	42
Colorado	6	12	5	23	39	48

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

New England at Seattle, 6:30 p.m.  
 Cincinnati at Columbus, 6:30 p.m.  
 Orlando City at Toronto FC, 6:30 p.m.  
 Minnesota at FC Dallas, 7 p.m.  
 Real Salt Lake at Sporting KC, 7:30 p.m.  
 Montreal at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
 San Jose at Colorado, 8 p.m.  
 Vancouver at Portland, 10 p.m.

## SUNDAY'S MATCHES

N.Y. City FC at Atlanta, 3 p.m.  
 Houston at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.  
 LA Galaxy at D.C. United, 6:30 p.m.  
 N.Y. Red Bulls at Los Angeles FC, 9 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY'S MATCHES**  
 Sporting KC at Orlando City, 6:30 p.m.  
 Colorado at Minnesota, 7 p.m.  
 Seattle at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.  
 FC Dallas at LA Galaxy, 9:30 p.m.  
 Chicago at Portland, 10 p.m.

## NWSL

CLUB		W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
North Carolina	8	3	4	28	30	15	
Portland	7	3	6	27	31	20	
Chicago	8	5	2	26	19	19	
Reign FC	7	3	5	26	14	14	
Washington	6	5	3	21	15	15	
Utah	6	6	3	21	14	14	
Houston	5	7	4	19	16	26	
Orlando	3	9	2	11	16	31	
Sky Blue FC	2	11	3	9	10	22	

## SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Chicago at Washington, 6 p.m.  
 Houston at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.  
**SUNDAY'S MATCHES**  
 North Carolina at Portland, 2 p.m.  
 Utah at Reign FC, 3 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY'S MATCH**  
 Chicago at Sky Blue FC, 6 p.m.

## GOLF

## PGA THE NORTHERN TRUST OPEN

2nd of 4 rds; at Liberty National GC; Jersey City, N.J.; 7,370 yds; Par 71  
**130 (-12)**  
 Dustin Johnson 63-67  
**131 (-11)**  
 Jordan Spieth 67-64  
**132 (-10)**  
 Abraham Ancer 67-65  
 Troy Merritt 62-70  
 Patrick Reed 66-66  
 Jon Rahm 64-68  
**133 (-9)**  
 Andrew Putnam 69-64  
 Justin Rose 65-68  
 Louis Oosthuizen 68-65  
 Rory McIlroy 65-68  
 Wyndham Clark 67-66  
**134 (-8)**  
 Ian Poulter 68-66  
 Kevin Kisner 64-70  
 Harold Varner III 67-67  
**135 (-7)**  
 Brian Stuard 66-69  
 C.T. Pan 68-67  
 Justin Thomas 67-68  
 Sungjae Im 67-68  
 Andrew Landry 68-67  
**136 (-6)**  
 Joel Dahmen 67-69  
 Dylan Frittelli 69-67  
 Bryson DeChambeau 68-68  
 Hideki Matsuyama 68-68  
 Shane Lowry 69-67  
 Kevin Na 69-67  
 Danny Willett 66-70  
**137 (-5)**  
 Corey Conners 66-71  
 Ryan Palmer 70-67  
 Patrick Cantlay 69-68  
 Vaughn Taylor 66-71  
 Max Homa 67-70  
 J.T. Poston 68-69  
 Adam Scott 68-69  
**138 (-4)**  
 Chesson Hadley 66-72  
 Tyrrell Hatton 69-69  
 Jim Furyk 72-66  
 Jason Kokrak 68-70  
 Roger Sloan 68-70  
 Bud Cauley 68-70  
 Ryan Armour 70-68  
 Matt Jones 67-71  
 Adam Hadwin 67-71  
 Tony Finau 65-73  
 Brandt Snedeker 71-67  
 Phil Mickelson 72-66  
 Webb Simpson 65-73  
**139 (-3)**  
 Russell Henley 69-70  
 Danny Lee 70-69  
 Byeong Hun An 73-66  
 Keegan Bradley 70-69  
 Sebastian Munoz 70-69  
 Adam Schenk 67-72  
 Brian Harman 68-71  
 Billy Horschel 72-67  
 Lucas Glover 71-68  
 Brooks Koepka 70-69  
 Kyle Stanley 69-70  
 Luke List 69-70  
 Scott Brown 70-69  
**140 (-2)**  
 Matthew Wolff 69-71  
 Keith Mitchell 70-70  
 Kiradech Aphibarnrat 67-73  
 Ryan Moore 68-72  
 Chez Reavie 66-74  
 Nick Watney 71-69  
**141 (-1)**  
 Jhonattan Vegas 72-69  
 Cameron Smith 67-74  
 Kevin Tway 68-73  
 Rory Sabbatini 68-73  
 Tommy Fleetwood 69-72  
 Francesco Molinari 69-72  
 Gary Woodland 73-68  
 Mackenzie Hughes 73-68  
 Martin Laird 71-70  
 Aaron Wise 68-73  
 Joaquin Niemann 70-71  
 Charley Hoffman 74-67  
 Cameron Champ 71-70  
 Scott Piercy 70-71  
 Si Woo Kim 70-71  
 J.B. Holmes 70-71  
 Collin Morikawa 71-70  
 Talor Gooch 74-67  
 Branden Grace 68-73  
 Carlos Ortiz 67-74

## LPGA LADIES SCOTTISH OPEN

At The Renaissance Club; North Berwick, Scotland; 6,427 yds; Par 71  
 Partial 2nd Round; 27 golfers did not finish  
**128 (-14)**  
 Mi Jung Hur 66-62  
**130 (-12)**  
 Moriya Jutanugarn 64-66  
**132 (-10)**  
 Jeongeun Lee 67-65  
 Anne van Dam 63-69  
**133 (-9)**  
 Mi Hyang Lee 63-70  
**135 (-7)**  
 Ariya Jutanugarn 68-67  
**136 (-6)**  
 Na Yeon Choi 72-64  
 Anna Nordqvist 67-69  
 Sei Young Kim 66-70  
**137 (-5)**  
 Yu Liu 70-67  
 Carly Booth 70-67  
 Gaby Lopez 69-68  
 Pajaree Anannarukarn 69-68  
 Alena Sharp 69-68  
 Georgia Hall 68-69  
 Katherine Kirk 67-70  
 Madelene Sagstrom 67-70  
**138 (-4)**  
 Ursula Wikstrom 69-69  
 Karolin Lampert 68-70  
 Holly Clyburn 67-71  
 Hyo Joo Kim 66-72  
 Su Oh 65-73  
**139 (-3)**  
 Christine Wolf 70-69  
 Amy Olson 70-69  
 Celine Boutier 70-69  
 Laura Fuenfstueck 70-69  
 Nanna Koerstz Madsen 69-70  
 Jenny Shin 69-70  
 Sarah Schmelzel 69-70  
 Caroline Hedwall 65-74  
**140 (-2)**  
 Marianne Skarpnord 73-67  
 Laura Davies 72-68  
 Hannah Green 67-73  
 Cydney Clanton 67-73

## LEADERBOARD

Golfer	Score	Thru
Mi Jung Hur	-14	F
Moriya Jutanugarn	-12	F
Jeongeun Lee	-10	F
Anne van Dam	-10	F

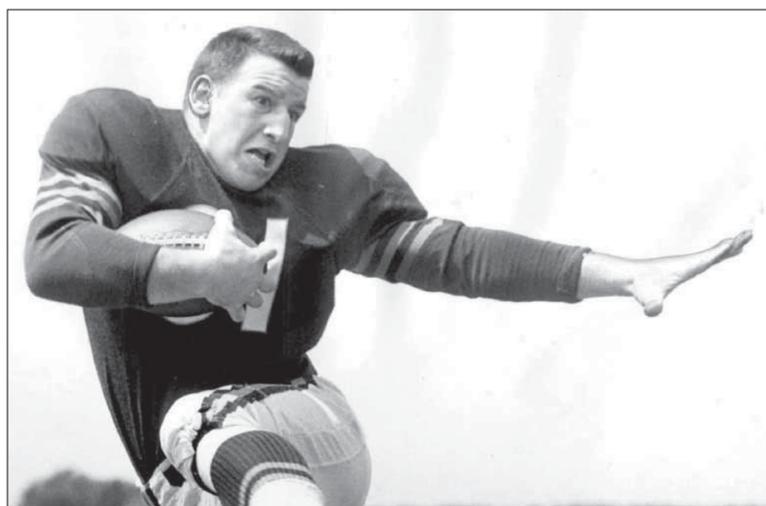
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Friday's qualifying for Sunday's race; at Michigan International Speedway; Brooklyn, Mich.  
**SP NO. DRIVER MK MPH**  
 1. 2 Brad Keselowski F 190.471  
 2. 4 Kevin Harvick F 190.089  
 3. 24 William Byron C 189.703  
 4. 88 Alex Bowman C 189.509  
 5. 14 Clint Bowyer F 189.439  
 6. 9 Chase Elliott C 189.384  
 7. 12 Ryan Blaney F 189.299  
 8. 22 Joey Logano F 189.255  
 9. 21 Paul Menard F 189.095  
 10. 48 Jimmie Johnson C 188.892  
 11. 10 Daniel Suarez F 188.462  
 12. 10 Aric Almirola F 188.388  
 13. 1 Kurt Busch C 188.373  
 14. 11 Denny Hamlin T 188.093  
 15. 19 Martin Truex Jr T 187.911  
 16. 20 Erik Jones T 187.877  
 17. 42 Kyle Larson C 187.573  
 18. 17 Ricky Stenhouse Jr F 187.510  
 19. 36 Matt Tiffit F 187.310  
 20. 6 Ryan Newman F 186.882  
 21. 13 Ty Dillon C 186.801  
 22. 18 Kyle Busch T 186.553  
 23. 34 Michael McDowell F 186.056  
 24. 38 David Ragan F 185.615  
 25. 37 Chris Buescher C 185.309  
 26. 43 Bubba Wallace C 185.266  
 27. 95 Matt DiBenedetto T 185.080  
 28. 00 Landon Cassill C 184.985  
 29. 47 Ryan Preece C 184.044  
 30. 15 Ross Chastain C 181.846  
 31. 32 Corey LaJoie F 181.237  
 32. 27 Cole Hufsch F 179.982  
 33. 52 Austin Theriault F 179.403  
 34. 51 Cody Ware F 179.395  
 35. 77 Reed Sorenson C 178.576  
 36. 53 Spencer Dillond F 173.590



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Bears linebacker Joe Fortunato, pictured in 1955, played in five Pro Bowls and was named to the NFL's 1950s All-Decade team.

# #27 Joe Fortunato

Master of the 'red-dog' blitz was feared by the Bears' foes

By WILL LARKIN

Joe Fortunato played about as well as anyone not in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Over the years, many players, coaches, writers and fans made his case, but the former Bears linebacker never thought it was a big deal.

His second wife, Catherine, would bring up the subject at her husband's autograph signings or when he met with an old teammate or coach, the Tribune's Lew Freedman wrote while catching up with Fortunato at his Natchez, Miss., home on July 27, 2006. Occasionally she wrote letters to people she thought could help his cause.

"Oh, Catherine," Big Joe would sigh. She had a point, though. Of the 14 defensive players named to the Hall of Fame's All-Decade team of the 1950s, all but Fortunato have a bronze bust in Canton, Ohio. The 6-foot-1, 225-pound outside linebacker, a seventh-round future pick in 1952, was named to five Pro Bowls and earned first-team All-Pro honors three times and second-team once. The Bears had eight winning seasons in his 12 years, won the NFL championship in 1963 and finished as runners-up in 1956.

During his career, Fortunato played in 155 of 156 possible games, starting 153. His 22 fumble recoveries were an NFL record when he retired until Dick Butkus, his roommate for his final two seasons, broke it.

After Fortunato's death at 87 in 2017, former Mississippi State teammate Bobby Collins told Mississippi Today's Rick Cleveland that "if you didn't know Joe and you just sat down to talk to him, you'd never suspect he was this great football star, feared by his opponents. He was just a friendly, generous guy. He'd rather talk about you than himself."

Fortunato is a major part of the Bears' unmatched history at linebacker. The team's middle-linebacker heritage of Bill George, Butkus, Mike Singletary and Brian Urlacher is acknowledged as the NFL's best. The outside linebackers also are hard to top with George Connor, Fortunato, Larry Morris, Doug Buffone, Otis Wilson, Wilber Marshall and Lance Briggs.

Since Connor's first Pro Bowl appearance in 1950, Bears linebackers have been named to the game 56 times in 69 years. Three droughts — in 1973-82, 1993-99 and 2012-17 — coincided with some of the team's toughest times. Khalil Mack, a new kind of outside linebacker, made it in 2018, and inside linebacker Roquan Smith appears primed to join him in the near future, signifying good times likely are ahead.

Fortunato, George and Morris probably are the Bears' best linebacker threesome, with Fortunato and George members of the 1950s All-Decade team and Morris making it in the 1960s. They were starters together for six seasons, compared with three for the Bears' other great trio of Marshall, Singletary and Wilson. The group was at its best in 1963 under the guidance of defensive coordinator George Allen, who took over for Clark Shaughnessy during the 1962 season.

Allen and coach George Halas named Fortunato captain and signal-caller for a defense that led the NFL in scoring, total, rushing and passing defense as well as turnovers. Allen turned Fortunato and Morris loose on "red-dog" blitzes to force quarterbacks into quick throws. Those situations often led to interceptions, and the Bears led the league with 36 in '63.

"There's a great thrill to getting through there and breaking up the play before it gets started," Fortunato told the Tribune's George Strickler on Nov. 8, 1959.

Allen and the veteran Fortunato taught young defensive end Ed O'Bradovich how to anticipate screen passes. It paid off in the 1963 title game against the Giants. In the third quarter, O'Bradovich intercepted a Y.A. Tittle screen, leading to the winning touchdown in the Bears' 14-10 victory.

Halas told Cooper Rollow in the Tribune's game story: "It was just what we were looking for. It worked perfectly. We had a blitz on, and the red-dogger was Fortunato. Joe went in. O'Bradovich came over and protected Fortunato's position and he came up with the pass. It was a big one."

In the wild locker room, as the Bears celebrated their first championship in 17 years, Fortunato stood on a chair, delivered a short speech on Allen's importance to the team and tossed the defensive coordinator the game ball.

**FORTUNATO AS A BEAR**

1955-66 | 12 seasons | 155 games  
**Bears record:** 90-60-6 (.596).  
**Playoff appearances:** 2; NFL champion in 1963.  
**Acquired:** Seventh round (80th overall), 1952 draft out of Mississippi State.

**THE LIST**

- |                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 27. Joe Fortunato   | 64. J.C. Caroline     |
| 28. George Trafton  | 65. Ed O'Bradovich    |
| 29. Lance Briggs    | 66. Mike Pyle         |
| 30. Ed Healey       | 67. Mike Hartenstine  |
| 31. Link Lyman      | 68. Keith Van Horne   |
| 32. George Musso    | 69. George Wilson     |
| 33. Ed Sprinkle     | 70. Tommie Harris     |
| 34. Paddy Driscoll  | 71. Jack Manders      |
| 35. Harlon Hill     | 72. James Williams    |
| 36. Rick Casares    | 73. Jim Dooley        |
| 37. Ken Kavanaugh   | 74. Robbie Gould      |
| 38. Charles Tillman | 75. Bennie McRae      |
| 39. Gary Fencik     | 76. Johnny Lujack     |
| 40. Luke Johnsos    | 77. Bill Osmanski     |
| 41. Richie Petitbon | 78. Jay Cutler        |
| 42. Ray Bray        | 79. Jim McMillen      |
| 43. Rosey Taylor    | 80. Khalil Mack       |
| 44. Johnny Morris   | 81. Eddie Jackson     |
| 45. Joe Kopcha      | 82. Doug Plank        |
| 46. Fred Williams   | 83. Zuck Carlson      |
| 47. Matt Forte      | 84. Bill Wade         |
| 48. Doug Buffone    | 85. Kyle Long         |
| 49. Dave Duerson    | 86. Brandon Marshall  |
| 50. Larry Morris    | 87. Lee Artoe         |
| 51. Dick Barwegan   | 88. Alshon Jeffery    |
| 52. Wally Chambers  | 89. Beattie Butler    |
| 53. Otis Wilson     | 90. Kevin Feulner     |
| 54. Wilber Marshall | 91. Bill Karr         |
| 55. Dick Gordon     | 92. Matt Suhey        |
| 56. Jim McMahon     | 93. Ed Brown          |
| 57. Neal Anderson   | 94. Gary Famiglietti  |
| 58. Mike Osborne    | 95. Akiem Hicks       |
| 59. Jim Osborne     | 96. Joey Sternaman    |
| 60. Willie Galimore | 97. Hugh Gallarneau   |
| 61. Mark Carrier    | 98. Tom Thayer        |
| 62. Mark Bortz      | 99. William Perry     |
| 63. Julius Peppers  | 100. Patrick Mannelly |

A knee injury ended Fortunato's career shortly before the 1967 season. He stayed on as an assistant coach, leading the linebackers in Halas' last season as head coach and becoming defensive coordinator under new coach Jim Dooley in 1968.

Fortunato believed linebacker to be the most difficult defensive position. He watched Bears games his entire life and loved watching the outside linebackers, particularly Marshall and Wilson in the 1980s, play the same way he did. In 2014, the Tribune's Don Pierson named Fortunato the sixth-best linebacker in team history.

"A linebacker has to know so many things," Fortunato told the Tribune's Robert Markus on Sept. 15, 1967. "He has to defend against the run and the pass. He has to coordinate with the front four and with the deep backs. He has to sometimes cover a halfback, and it's pretty tough to cover a 9.5 (100-yard dash runner) when you're a 10.6 or 11.6 runner yourself."

He said the key to success was limiting and eventually eliminating mistakes. Most games, he figured, were lost by miscues rather than won by exceptional play.

As an unnamed opponent told Strickler: "That danged Fortunato never makes a mistake, and moreover, he never hits you easy. He hurts more when he picks you off coming through the line than any linebacker in a league where there's a score of great linebackers. But don't use my name. I don't mind giving Fortunato credit; I just don't want the rest of these so-and-sos trying to convince me they can hurt more than Joe."

Fortunato grew up working in the steel mills of Mingo Junction, Ohio. He attended Virginia Military Institute for one year, then followed coach Slick Morton to Mississippi State. There, he met his first wife, Noonie, and moved to her family's hometown of Natchez. During his days with the Bears, he opened a book and toy store there and in off-seasons helped tend to his mother-in-law's Hereford cows.

He left the Bears after one year as defensive coordinator and moved to Mississippi full time. He owned and operated Big Joe Oil Company, which explored for and drilled wells. He became known for his charity work in Mingo Junction, where a highway was named after him, and Natchez, where he started the Joe Fortunato Celebrity Golf Classic to raise funds for education in Mississippi.

Fortunato made a great number of friends in both places, but as Collins said, he usually was more interested in hearing their stories than in telling his.

As Strickler wrote in 1959: "Joe Fortunato of the Chicago Bears goes quietly through life wondering if anyone else is having so much fun."

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**Bensen, Peter G.**

Peter G. Bensen, 88 of Sugar Grove, passed away Friday July 19, 2019 at AMITA Health Mercy Medical Center Aurora. He was born July 4, 1931 in Chicago, IL the son of the late Peter and Cecilia (Thomsen) Bensen.

Peter worked for many years at the Canfield's Beverage Company in Chicago. He served his country with U. S. Army. Peter is survived by his three children, Diane (Andy) Annes, Donna (Mark) Proctor and Peter (Beth) Bensen; his four grandchildren, Brian, Matt, Kevin and Dan; his brother, Richard (Sam) Bensen; nieces Cathy, Karen and Jen; many other family and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Arlene F. Bensen; his sisters Pearl (Bernie) Cork and Helene (Jack) Mueller.

Memorial services will be held 11:00 a.m., August 17, 2019 at **The Healy Chapel**, 370 Division Dr., Sugar Grove, IL 60554. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Peter's name may be directed to Rainbow Hospice or AMITA Health Mercy Medical Center Aurora. For further information please call (630) 466-1330 or visit our website at [www.healychapel.com](http://www.healychapel.com) to sign the online guestbook.

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**Cohn, Mary**

Mary (Derra) Cohn was born on July 27, 1939 in Streator, Illinois. She attended St. Anthony's grade school and Streator Township High School followed by Saint Joseph Nursing School in Joliet. After graduation, Mary moved to Chicago, where she worked as a visiting nurse for many years. While working in Evanston, she met Fred Cohn. Their first date resulted in an argument about whether the Chicago Tribune or the Chicago Sun-Times was the better newspaper. Staying true to her stubborn, German roots, Mary clipped an article from her favored newspaper which proved her point and mailed it to Fred because she knew she was right. This led to a second date, after which she knew she was right to choose him.

They spent their days together, marrying on October 8, 1971, and lovingly proving each other right and wrong until Fred's passing on April 30, 2014. Mary was a friend to many in Chicago's Edgewater neighborhood and also in Union Pier, Michigan, where she and Fred spent as much time as possible each summer with their son Yale and their daughter Kate.

Mary passed away on August 4, 2019, after sharing with Kate and Kate's husband Alex Bittmann that both her mother and father were calling to her. She is with them now, and may we all find solace and peace in that transition. In addition to Yale (Grace Hendricks) and Kate, she leaves behind her brother Frank and sister Nini, many nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Services are private. Donations may be made to [www.misericordia.com](http://www.misericordia.com).

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**Cullerton, James Anthony 'Jimmy'**

James A. "Jimmy" Cullerton, 80, of Benton Harbor, MI passed away Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at Spectrum Lakeland Hospital- St. Joseph. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2:00 PM, Saturday, August 17, 2019 at Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services, 2650 Niles Rd. St. Joseph. Burial to follow at North Shore Memory Gardens in Coloma. Friends may visit from 12:00 PM until the time of service Saturday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the National Cancer Society. Those wishing to leave a message on condolence for the family may do so online at [www.starks-menchinger.com](http://www.starks-menchinger.com).

Jimmy was born on June 14, 1939 in Chicago, IL to James J. & Lucile (Chambers) Cullerton. He was a graduate of St. Mel's High School in Chicago. On May 8, 1965 he married Vera McCrory at St. John's Catholic Church in Oak Park, IL. Jimmy was a member of the Electrical Union Local 134 and worked as an electrician for Cook County for 32 years before retiring.

Jimmy is survived by his loving wife of 54 years Vera; children Colleen (Russell) Roman of Lombard, IL, Jimmy Cullerton of Chicago, Andy (Jeanette) Cullerton of St. Charles, IL, Amy (Dennis) Wantroba of Orland Park, IL and Thomas Cullerton of Benton Harbor; grandchildren Shannon, Jake, Brody, Ethan and Madison; sisters Helen (Mike) O'Connell of Winnetka, IL, Patricia "Patsy" (Tom) O'Halleran of Sedona, AZ; sister-in-law Florence Cullerton of River Forest, IL and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and brother Terrance Cullerton.  
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**Ekberg, James P**

James P. Ekberg age 87 of Geneva. Beloved husband of 60 years of Barbara nee Cienkus. Loving father of Mary Beth Kern and Thomas Ekberg; devoted grandfather of Lorraine; caring uncle of Jim and John.

Visitation Sunday, August 11 from 2:00 - 7:00 pm at **Malone Funeral Home**, 324 E State Street/ Rt 38, Geneva, IL 60134 with a liturgical wake service at 6:45 pm. Funeral Prayers Monday, August 12, 2019 9:30 am at **Malone Funeral Home** proceeding to St. Peter Catholic Church, 1891 Kaneville Road, Geneva for Celebration of Funeral Mass at 10:30 am with Father Jonathan Bakkelund, Celebrant. Full military honors burial Tuesday, August 13, 2019 10:00 am at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. info 630-232-8233 or visit [malonefh.com](http://malonefh.com).



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**Fisher, Janell L**

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Janell L Fisher, 74 of Itasca and Florida, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother has passed from this world. Leaving us poorer of heart and richer of soul. In Memoriam Janell will be honored at St. Peter's Church of Itasca. 11:00 am Tuesday August 13th. Of your kindness please forward all gifts to the American Cancer Society. Our Family thanks you.  
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**Klinger, Michael J.**

On August 6, 2019, Mike Klinger of Western Springs passed away. Mike was an avid outdoors-man and an accomplished hunter, trapper, and beekeeper. Mike is survived by his mother, Ruth, his sister and brother-in-law, Laurie and Mike, his brother and sister-in-law, Will and Lynn, his niece and nephew, Lauren Rose and Robert, and his grandniece, Lauralei. Visitation will be Sunday August 11th from 3 to 7 pm at **Adolf Funeral Home** 7000 S. Madison Street, Willowbrook. Funeral service Monday August 12th 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment: Arlington Cemetery, Elmhurst. Information: 630-325-2300 or [adolfservices.com](http://adolfservices.com)

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**Klug, William James 'Bill'**

William James Klug died at home in Aurora on August 3, 2019. He was born in Hays, Kansas on August 19, 1927. He was preceded in death by his parents, Gus and Mary (Eberle) Klug; his wife Marjorie (Manning) Klug; and their son, Michael Klug. He is survived by his children, Mary Morley, James (Sharon) Klug, William G Klug; twelve grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Bill was an avid fisherman. He was proud of his military service during World War II and the Korean Conflict and served in the Merchant Marines, the US Army, and the Marine Corps. He will be cremated and interred at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.  
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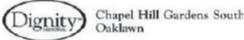
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## McDonnell, John 'MAC'

John McDonnell "MAC" loving and devoted husband of Susan. Brother of Mary (the late Robert Duffels), Anna McDonnell and Eileen (Ernest) Nottger. Brother in law of Judy (Miguel) Llobera, John O'Brien, Mary (the late Robert), the late Ricky. Uncle of many nieces and nephews. John was the son of a great Irishman and was one himself. He was just a good decent man, a friend to many and he will be missed. John was a Cub fan & Bears fan. Visitation Sunday, August 11, 2019 from 3:00 to 8:00 PM at Chapel Hill Gardens South Funeral Home, 11333 South Central Ave, Oak Lawn, IL 60453. Funeral Monday, August 12, 2019 10:00 AM mass at Our Lady of the Ridge Catholic Church, Chicago Ridge, IL. Burial at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery, Alsip, IL. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.ChapelHillGardensSouth.com](http://www.ChapelHillGardensSouth.com) for the McDonnell family.



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## Miller, Mark A.

In loving memory of Mark A. Miller who passed on July 8th of 2019. Survived by his three sons; Marky, Donnie and Rob. Also survived by his brother Jimmy and his sister Debbie.

Mark would have wanted to thank his beautiful mother Virginia who spent her life caring for him. We all wish we had more time with you, Dad. May you live on in our memories and shared stories forever and ever.

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## Mrazek, Raymond S.

Raymond S. Mrazek, 81, of Arlington Heights, died August 8, 2019. He was born January 23, 1938 in Chicago. Raymond was the husband of Patricia (nee Mulley); father of Deborah (Michael Niquette), Steven and Michael (Kristi) Mrazek; grandfather of Jeffrey Niquette and Alex Mrazek; brother of the late Gerald Mrazek. Visitation Sunday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Meadows Funeral Home, 3615 Kirchoff Road, Rolling Meadows. Funeral Monday 9:30 a.m. from chapel to St. James Church, Mass 10 a.m.. Interment St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter, 8430 W. Bryn Mawr, Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois 60631. Info (847)253-0224 or [www.Meadowsfh.com](http://www.Meadowsfh.com)

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## Sullivan, Helen M.

Helen M. Sullivan (nee Murray), age 86, at rest August 8, 2019; Beloved wife of 57 years to the late George Sullivan; Loving mother of Kathleen (Thomas) Mahoney, Nancy M. Sullivan and Mary Beth (Stephen) Deely; Cherished grandmother to Megan (Ryan) Sullivan, Timothy (Caitlin) Mahoney, Daniel and Mary Kate Deely; Great grandmother to Vivienne, Isabelle and Francis; Visitation Monday, August 12, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Chapel Prayers 10:30 a.m. at Curley Funeral Home 6116 W. 111th St., Chicago Ridge to St. Alexander Church, 7025 W. 126th Street, Palos Heights, Mass 11:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery; In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Misericordia. For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or [www.curleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.curleyfuneralhome.com)

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## Travers, William J 'Bill'

William J. "Bill" Travers, age 90, of Washington, D.C., died Sunday, August 4, at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington. He was born in 1928 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Thomas and Margaret Griffin Travers. Bill married the love of his life, Geraldine T. "Gerrie" Lis, in 1951 and remained her devoted husband until her passing in 2003. In 2009 he married Elaine L. Burnham of Chicago, enjoying happy times together until her death in 2015. Bill was a Vietnam and Korean War veteran and retiree from the United States Air Force, where he achieved the rank of Senior Master Sergeant. After leaving the Air Force, Bill spent much of his career in the construction industry, where he played crucial roles in the completion of many large government projects. In retirement Bill was known for his service to his fellow senior citizens, both as a driver and as a source of vital information. In his years at the Armed Forces Retirement Home, Bill formed strong friendships. Survivors include his children: Rev. Patrick J. Travers of Ketchikan, AK; William J. Travers Jr. and wife Cherry of Kansas City, MO; John T. Travers and wife Carrie of Lake Forest, IL; Thomas J. Travers and wife Allison of Annapolis, MD; Lisa M. Heinz and husband John of Aurora, IL; and Lynn T. Pritchard and husband Ian of Shorewood, WI. He is also survived by three grandchildren: Tatum Travers and Woody Travers, both of Chicago, IL, and Micki Stacey and husband Xavier of Lake Oswego, OR, who are the parents of Bill's two great-grandchildren, Jack and CJ. He is also survived by fond nephews and nieces who are the children of his deceased older brothers James and Thomas. He is also survived by the fond children and grandchildren of Elaine L. Burnham. All who knew him will miss him. Visitation will begin Sunday, August 11, at 4 p.m. at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale, AR, with recitation of the Rosary following at 6 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will take place Monday, August 12, at 10 a.m. at St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Springdale with Rev. Patrick J. Travers officiating. Interment will be at Fayetteville National Cemetery.

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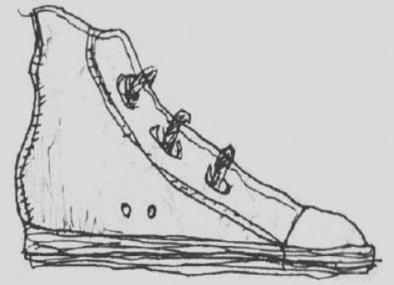
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SATURDAY, AUG. 10

NORMAL HIGH: 83° NORMAL LOW: 64° RECORD HIGH: 99° (1944) RECORD LOW: 49° (1982)

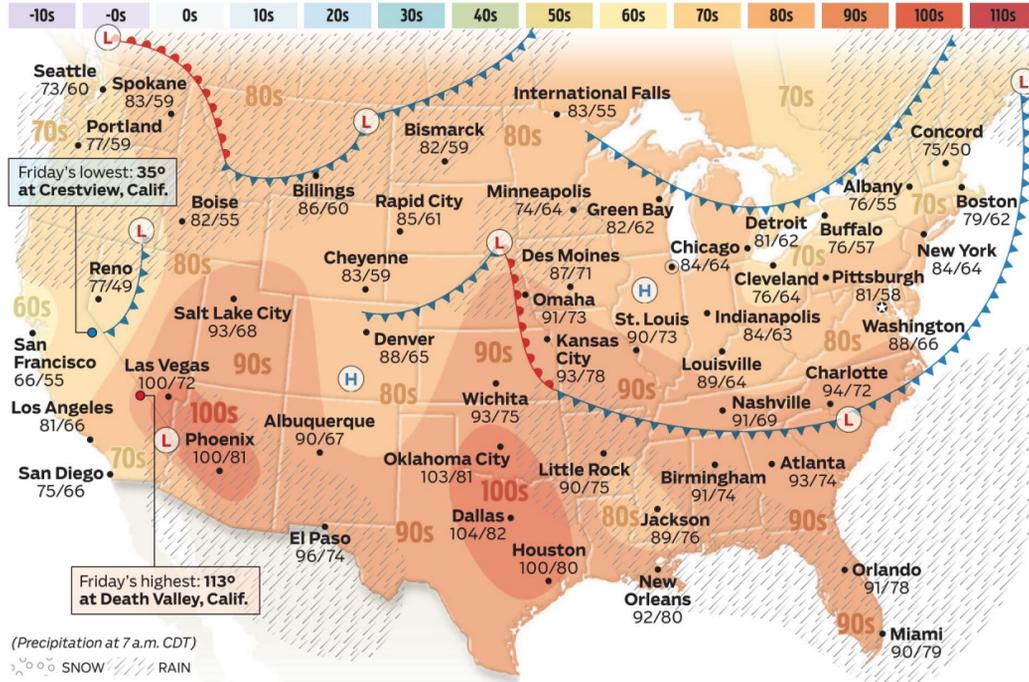
## Higher humidity, then chance for needed rain

### LOCAL FORECAST

**HIGH** 84 **LOW** 64

- Partly sunny and seasonably warm with a high in the mid 80s but closer to 80 at the lakeshore.
- Humidity increases to the moderate range in the afternoon.
- WSW winds turn ESE at 5-11 mph.
- Partly cloudy overnight with a chance for an isolated thunderstorm.
- Near normal low in the mid 60s.
- Nighttime winds southeast at 5-13 mph.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Humidity will slowly increase during the afternoon today with even higher humidity expected by Sunday and into Monday. Daytime hours should remain dry Saturday, with a chance for isolated storms at night into Sunday. A better chance for showers and thunderstorms will occur Monday afternoon and will become more likely late Monday. Afternoon thunderstorms will also be possible Tuesday. Dry conditions return for Wednesday and Thursday with another warm weekend to follow.

This has been one of the driest starts to August on record, with only 0.02 inch of rain falling at O'Hare through Aug. 9. A surplus of soil moisture from a very wet spring has been rapidly diminished by recent warm and dry conditions. Above-normal sunshine has also enhanced evaporation, drying plants and soil.

### SUNDAY, AUG. 11

**HIGH** 87 **LOW** 68

Mix of sun, clouds. Warm, more humid. High in mid to upper 80s. Closer to 80 at the lake. Widely scattered showers, t-storms. SE winds 8-17 mph weaken. Turn NE overnight. Partly cloudy overnight. Low in upper 60s.

### MONDAY, AUG. 12

**HIGH** 85 **LOW** 69

Mostly cloudy, warm, humid. Showers, t-storms possible in the afternoon, evening. Becomes likely overnight. High in mid 80s. Cooler lakeside. SE winds 8-12 gusting to 20. Warm overnight. Low near 70.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 13

**HIGH** 84 **LOW** 65

Partly sunny, warm with moderate humidity. Spotty afternoon t-storms. High in mid 80s. Upper 70s at the beaches. N wind 5-10 mph. Partly cloudy overnight with a low in the mid 60s with diminishing north winds.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

**HIGH** 80 **LOW** 63

Mostly sunny with some fair weather cumulus clouds. Not as humid. High near 80. 70s near the lake. NNE winds 8-15 mph help keep it cooler lakeside. A few clouds overnight with a low near normal in the low 60s.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 15

**HIGH** 83 **LOW** 67

Mostly sunny and seasonably warm with a high in the low 80s but cooler lakeside with a light lake breeze. Partly cloudy and warm overnight with a low in the mid to upper 60s and light southwest winds.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 16

**HIGH** 87 **LOW** 70

Warmer, higher humidity. Partly sunny. High in mid to upper 80s. Cooler near lake. Chance for afternoon showers and t-storms. Partly cloudy overnight with showers, thunderstorms possible. Low near 70.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
Is it more likely than not to rain on Aug. 10 every year? It seems there has been precipitation more than 50% of the time for my birthday in the last 52 years.

Jen Packheiser, Oak Park

Dear Jen,  
Happy birthday! We asked Chicago climatologist Frank Wachowski to check out your hunch. Checking the Aug. 10 rainfall records, dating to 1966, he found that measurable precipitation (at least 0.01 inch) has fallen on 33% of your birthdays, the heaviest total being 1.87 inches in 1979.

When incorporating trace events into the mix, rain has occurred on 50% of your birthdays.

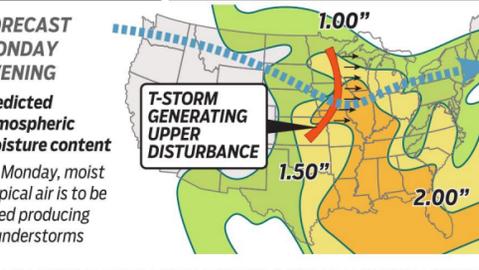
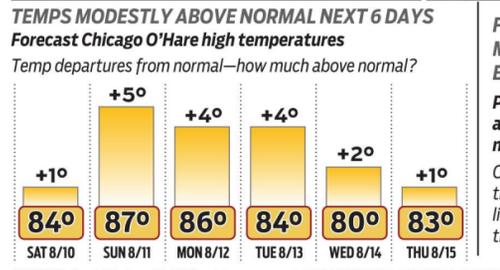
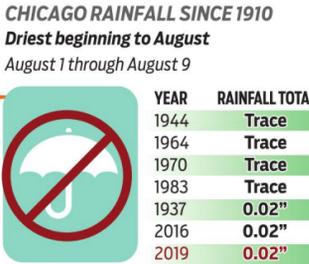
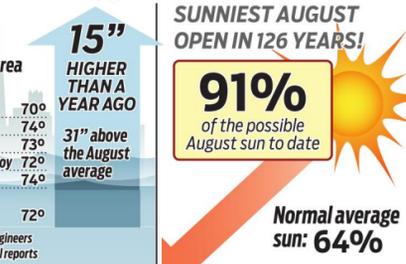
Since 2000, measurable rain has occurred in just four years: 2005, 2012, 2015 and 2017. There have been just two years with traces: 2004 and 2006.

Write to: ASK TOM  
2501 W. Bradley Place  
Chicago, IL 60618  
asktomwhy@wgntv.com

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



## Lake levels remain high despite recent warm, dry weather



### MIDWEST CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	89	68	ci	90	73
Carbondale	pc	84	63	ci	85	69
Champaign	pc	84	63	ci	85	69
Decatur	pc	85	66	ci	86	70
Moline	pc	87	71	pc	89	70
Peoria	pc	86	69	ts	89	70
Quincy	pc	88	73	ts	89	72
Rockford	ci	82	66	sh	83	66
Springfield	pc	86	69	ts	88	71
Sterling	pc	85	67	ci	85	67
Indiana	su	85	62	pc	86	69
Bloomington	su	88	66	ci	89	73
Evansville	pc	80	60	ci	83	65
Fort Wayne	pc	84	63	ci	87	70
Indianapolis	pc	83	60	ci	84	68
Lafayette	pc	83	60	ci	84	68
Lafayette	pc	80	60	ci	82	64
South Bend	pc	80	60	ci	82	64
Wisconsin	pc	82	62	sh	80	61
Green Bay	pc	82	62	sh	80	61
Kenosha	pc	79	66	sh	79	65
La Crosse	sh	76	65	sh	83	65
Madison	ci	77	64	ts	80	63
Milwaukee	ci	81	66	sh	79	64
Wausau	pc	78	61	pc	78	59
Michigan	pc	81	62	pc	83	67
Detroit	pc	82	60	pc	81	64
Grand Rapids	pc	82	60	pc	81	64
Marquette	pc	74	62	ts	75	55
St. Ste. Marie	su	75	54	pc	79	56
Traverse City	pc	80	59	pc	81	60
Iowa	ci	84	68	pc	84	69
Ames	ci	84	68	pc	84	69
Cedar Rapids	pc	87	71	ci	85	71
Des Moines	pc	87	71	ci	85	71
Dubuque	sh	80	66	sh	81	66

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albion	su	104	79	su	104	79
Albion	pc	76	55	pc	81	59
Albuquerque	pc	90	67	ts	84	63
Amarillo	pc	100	74	pc	101	73
Anchorage	su	74	58	pc	74	60
Asheville	pc	85	65	pc	88	65
Aspen	ci	77	52	ts	71	47
Atlanta	pc	93	74	pc	95	75
Atlanta City	pc	85	64	pc	81	67
Austin	pc	104	77	pc	104	78
Baltimore	pc	88	67	su	87	70
Billings	pc	86	60	pc	83	59
Birmingham	pc	91	74	pc	95	75
Bismarck	pc	82	59	sh	71	58
Boise	pc	82	55	pc	78	55
Boston	pc	79	62	pc	81	66
Brownsville	pc	97	81	pc	98	81
Buffalo	pc	76	57	pc	80	65
Burlington	pc	88	64	pc	80	60
Charlotte	pc	94	72	pc	92	73
Charlottesville	pc	90	78	pc	90	78
Charlottesville	pc	86	57	pc	89	62
Charlottesville	pc	90	72	pc	95	73
Cheyanne	pc	83	59	ts	78	59
Cincinnati	su	84	61	pc	88	67
Cleveland	pc	76	64	pc	81	70
Colo. Spgs	pc	84	61	pc	82	59
Columbia MO	pc	91	75	ts	91	75
Columbia SC	pc	97	76	pc	95	76
Columbus	pc	82	59	pc	86	65
Concord	pc	75	50	pc	79	54
Corps Christi	pc	95	81	pc	94	81
Cross Christ	su	104	82	su	103	82
Dallas	pc	86	64	pc	81	70
Daytona Bch.	ts	91	77	ts	92	76
Denver	ci	88	65	ts	85	64
Des Moines	pc	79	63	pc	75	59
El Paso	pc	96	74	pc	96	75

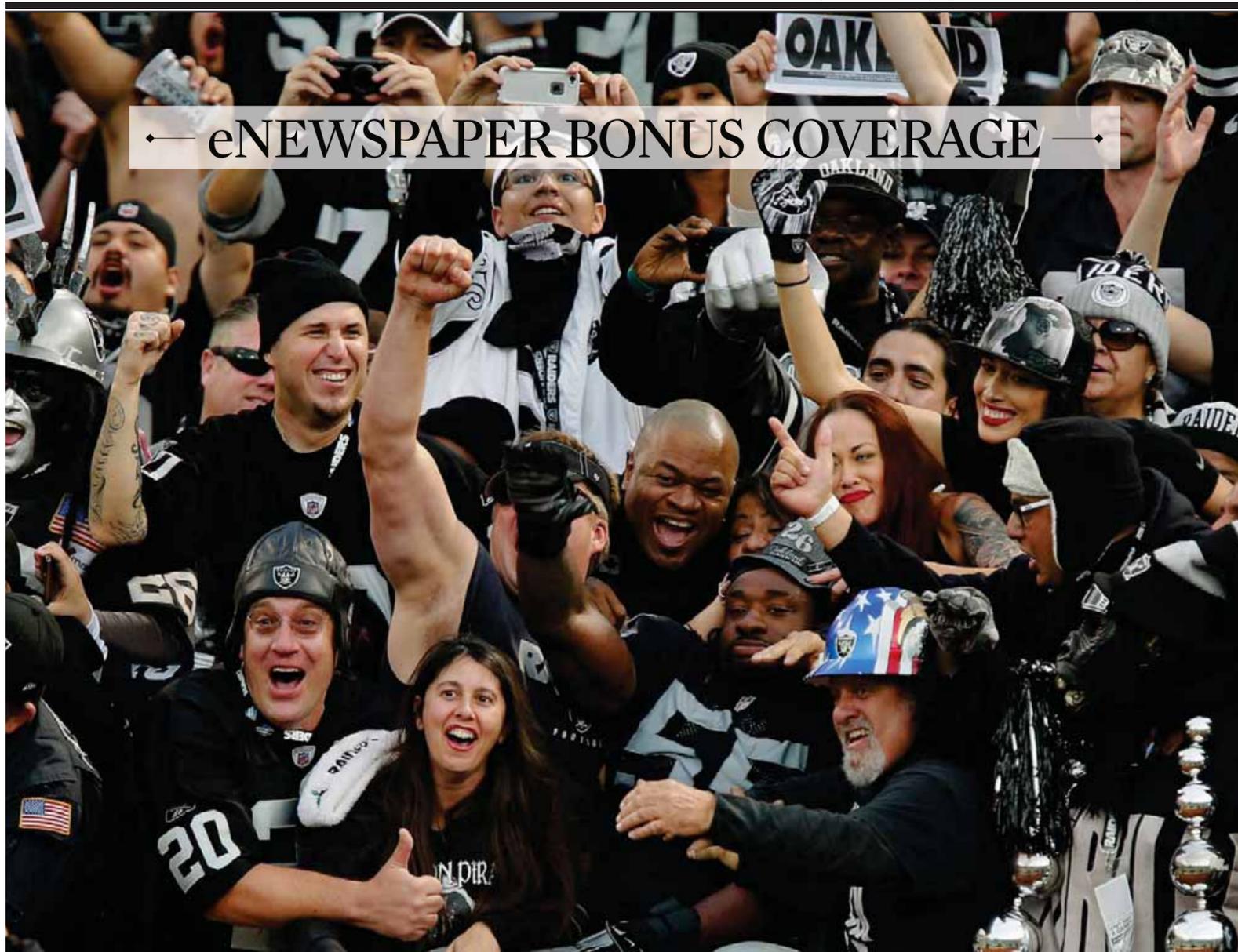
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SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Fairbanks	pc	69	50	pc	68	52
Fargo	pc	80	60	pc	75	59
Flagstaff	pc	76	53	pc	76	51
Fort Myers	ts	88	78	ts	88	77
Fort Smith	pc	97	76	pc	101	78
Fresno	su	90	63	su	93	66
Grand Junc.	pc	91	67	sh	85	60
Great Falls	ci	77	56	ts	74	55
Harrisburg	pc	86	60	pc	86	64
Hartford	pc	80	57	pc	81	60
Helena	pc	78	57	pc	83	63
Honolulu	sh	89	78	pc	89	78
Houston	pc	100	80	pc	100	81
Int'l Falls	pc	83	55	pc	73	49
Jackson	ts	89	76	pc	95	77
Jacksonville	pc	95	80	ts	93	79
Juneau	pc	75	51	su	74	52
Kansas City	pc	93	78	ts	93	80
Las Vegas	su	100	72	su	100	73
Lexington	su	88	63	pc	91	68
Lincoln	pc	92	72	pc	87	73
Little Rock	ts	90	75	pc	98	77
Los Angeles	su	81	66	su	81	64
Louisville	su	89	64	pc	91	72
Macon	pc	96	75	pc	96	75
Memphis	pc	89	76	pc	94	79
Meriden	ts	90	79	ts	89	79
Miami	pc	93	78	ts	93	80
Minneapolis	sh	74	64	pc	82	66
Mobile	pc	92	72	pc	93	79
Montgomery	pc	93	75	pc	94	76
Nashville	pc	91	69	pc	94	73
New Orleans	pc	92	80	ts	91	80
New York	pc	84	64	pc	84	68
Norfolk	pc	88	67	pc	86	68
Omaha	pc	103	81	su	106	79
Oklahoma City	pc	91	73	pc	85	73
Orlando	ts	91	78	ts	91	77

### SAT./SUN. FC HI LO FC HI LO

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Palm Beach	ts	91	77	ts	91	77
Palm Springs	su	106	75	su	106	77
Philadelphia	pc	85	63	pc	85	66
Phoenix	ci	100	81	pc	100	84
Pittsburgh	pc	81	58	su	84	64
Portland, ME	pc	75	55	pc	78	59
Portland, OR	pc	77	59	pc	77	58
Providence	pc	81	57	pc	89	70
Raleigh	pc	81	70	pc	89	70
Rapid City	pc	85	61	ts	82	61
Reino	su	77	49	ts	82	55
Richmond	pc	88	66	pc	89	66
Rochester	ts	75	56	pc	81	64
Sacramento	pc	84	57	pc	93	60
Salem, Ore.	ci	77	56	pc	78	54
Salt Lake City	pc	93	68	pc	96	62
San Antonio	pc	104	77	pc	104	

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# OAKLAND'S NEW BLACK HOLE

## THE RAIDERS' SLOW EXIT TO SAN DIEGO PAINFUL FOR FANS



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By **BERNIE WILSON**

Associated Press

**SAN DIEGO** — The slow, agonizing demise of the Oakland Raiders will continue for at least one more season.

There will be one more “final” home game at the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum, on Dec. 15 against the Jaguars.

There have been possible “final” home games for a few years now because the Raiders have had one foot out the door since 2015, when they joined with the AFC West rival Chargers in a failed attempt to build a stadium in the Los Angeles suburb of Carson.

This time, though, it almost certainly will be farewell for one of the NFL's most recognizable teams and fan bases.

The Raiders are scheduled to move into a gleaming new \$1.8 billion, 65,000-seat stadium in Las Vegas in 2020. The climate-controlled palace — funded in part with \$750 million in public money — will make the Coliseum look like a relic.

It will be the second time the Raiders have moved since Chris Dobbins, 47, has been a fan.

This time, they won't be back.

“Oh, it's disastrous,” said Dobbins, an attorney who is co-founder and president of Save Oakland Sports. “In terms of twice in my lifetime when the team's left, it's very depressing.”

The Raiders have been the definition of lame ducks. Their move to Las Vegas was approved by the NFL in March 2017, but they've had to stay in Oakland until the new stadium is ready. They explored other options for this season, then agreed to a lease in Oakland for this year, plus an option for 2020 in case the Las Vegas stadium isn't ready.

Fans know the end is near.

“This is the ultimate ‘Hard Knocks’ for Oakland Raider fans who have now lost their team for the second time,” said Andy Dolich, a long-time sports executive and Bay Area sports fan. He was referring to the HBO series that is featuring the Raiders this year.

Of course, relocations are nothing new in the NFL, which celebrates its 100th season this fall.

Some are quick, like the Baltimore Colts escaping to Indianapolis in Mayflower moving vans in the middle of the night.

Others are drawn out and painful. They tear at the fabric of communities and rip fan bases apart, with some swearing allegiance to their team no matter where it plays, while others stay loyal to the soil and cut ties for good. Bitter Twitter exchanges rage between fans angry about losing their teams and new fans who say the affected cities didn't do enough to keep the NFL.

Many jilted fans swear off the NFL itself, saying the league cares more about money than them.

Once the Raiders are in Las Vegas, the recent wave of relocations of three teams will have affected five markets, with Los Angeles gaining two teams, St. Louis, San Diego and Oakland losing America's most popular sport.

With the NFL looking to end its 22-year absence from Los Angeles — which had been a nice bargaining chip for owners elsewhere to wrangle new stadium deals to stay put — the Rams won the race for the nation's second-largest city. Stan



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A fan holds up a sign reading “Forever Oakland” after a Raiders game in Oakland in 2018.

Kroenke, one of the league's richest owners, dazzled his peers with plans for a nearly \$5 billion stadium complex in Inglewood. The Rams were given approval in January 2016 to leave St. Louis and return to their former home.

The Chargers and Raiders were told to give it another try in their home markets. Both of those efforts failed, in large part because Californians are generally loathe to bestow public money on billionaire owners.

“Stadiums are the main story, much more so in the NFL than other leagues,” said Andrew Zimbalist, a professor of economics at Smith College in Massachusetts. “The reason people leave in football isn't so much they want to go to a large demographic center, it's because there's a better stadium somewhere else. It's purely a stadium-driven thing in the NFL.”

San Diego voters, weary of the Chargers' 15-year effort to wrangle public money and/or land to build a new stadium, said no to Dean Spanos' hastily written ballot measure in 2016 and lost its team of 56 years to Los Angeles, where the second-generation owner likely will benefit from Kroenke's vision and deep pockets. Oakland city officials made it clear that public money would go to related infrastructure but not a stadium itself, and Mark Davis, another second-generation owner, found a sweetheart deal for the Raiders in bustling Las Vegas.

When the Chargers divorced themselves from San Diego in January 2017, fans flocked to their headquarters and dumped jerseys, pennants, caps and other gear into a large pile that was set afire. Others were more practical, giving team-branded clothing to agencies that help the homeless.

But even as the pile of singed memorabilia was scooped into a dumpster behind the Chargers' headquarters, the team was handing out free jerseys and caps in Los Angeles in an attempt to build a new fan base. The Chargers will play a third and final season this fall at a suburban L.A. soccer stadium before becoming a tenant in Kroenke's stadium.

The Rams, Raiders and Chargers have been involved in eight of the NFL's 13 major moves since 1946.

The Rams moved from Cleveland to Los Angeles in 1946. In 1980, they stayed in the metropolitan area but vacated the Coliseum for Anaheim while keeping

the Los Angeles name. With the Coliseum freed up on Sundays, Al Davis moved the Raiders there in 1982, and the next year they won the city's only Super Bowl championship. After the 1994 season, the Rams bailed for St. Louis and the Raiders returned to Oakland, where they began play in 1960 as an original AFL team.

The Rams, unhappy with their stadium situation, left St. Louis for Hollywood before the 2016 season, making the Coliseum their temporary home. St. Louis also lost the Cardinals to Arizona in 1988, and the Cardinals originally were located in Chicago.

As for the Chargers, they began life in Los Angeles in 1960, also as an original AFL team, but their owner, hotelier Barron Hilton, was lured to San Diego in 1961. They rebranded as the Los Angeles Chargers in 2017.

Some cities that have lost teams have gotten new ones. Baltimore got what had been the Cleveland Browns, with Art Modell moving his team to Maryland in 1996 to become the Ravens while leaving the Browns name, colors and history behind. The new Browns began play in 1999.

The Houston Oilers moved to Tennessee in 1997 and eventually rebranded as the Titans. The expansion Houston Texans began play in 2002.

Based on the current economics and cost of stadiums, it would be surprising if the NFL ever returns to San Diego and Oakland.

The Raiders' once-rabid fan base, which turned every autumn Sunday into Halloween with wild, elaborate costumes, hasn't been the same since the move to Las Vegas was finalized, said Dobbins, whose term on the Coliseum Joint Powers Authority Board recently ended.

“Last year after it became a fait accompli, you didn't see the passion that was there previously,” he said. “People are upset. The teams have been lousy, also. It was funny, when the Chargers were in town, it had been a big rivalry but the fans commiserated with each other. Rams fans and Chargers fans were upset about what transpired. Every game generates around 2,000 jobs, but it's also hard to quantify when you lose a team, what it does to the fabric of the community. It's very upsetting.”

Dobbins said he won't attend games in Las Vegas, but knows fans who will.

Sin City, meanwhile, is getting ready to welcome the NFL.

In San Diego, many fans have turned against the Chargers while some still cheer for them, or at least for quarterback Philip Rivers, who continues to live in the city while commuting north to practices and games.

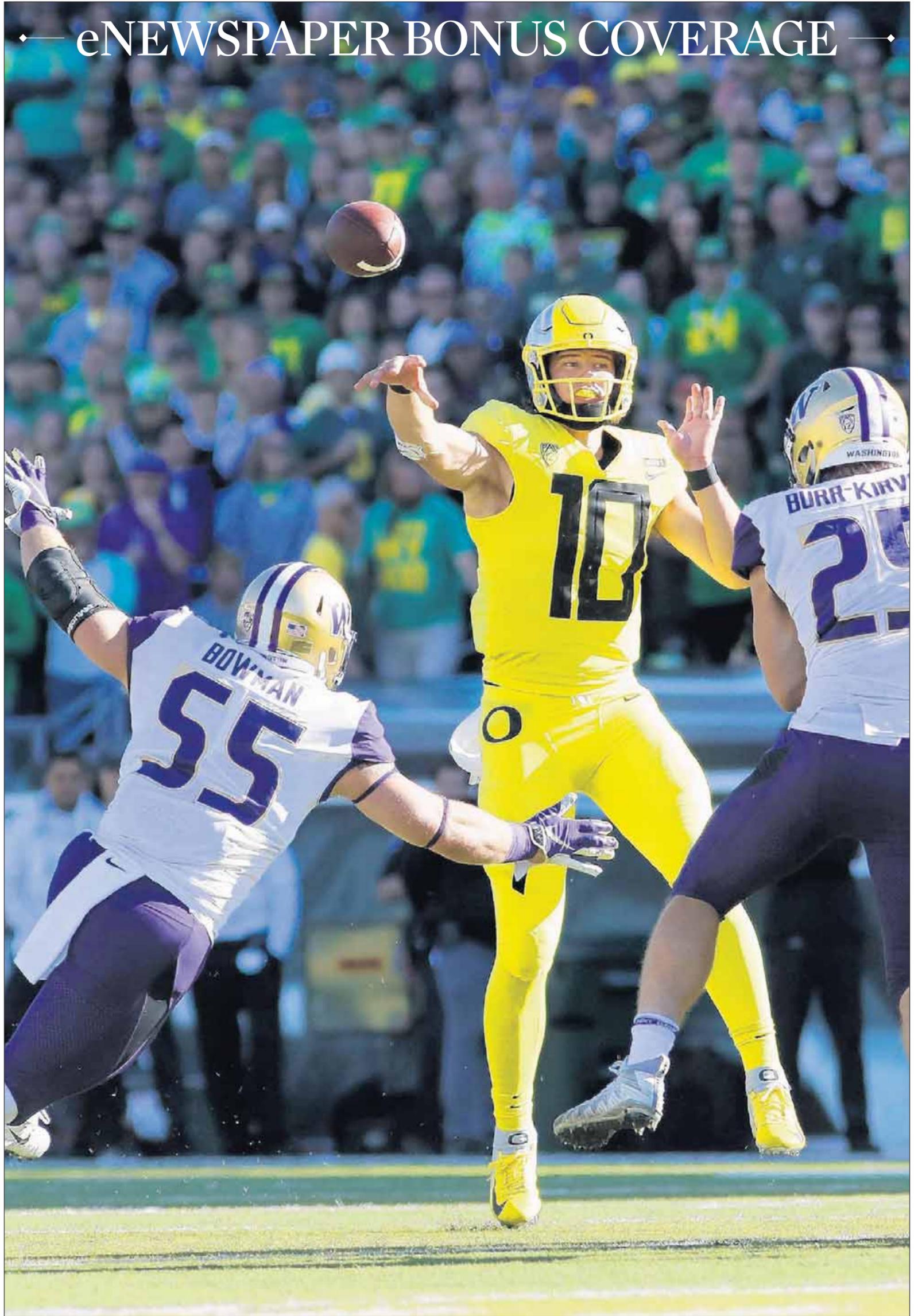
Memo Garcia, 63, had been a Chargers fan since his dad first took him to a game at Balboa Stadium in 1963, back in the era of Hall of Famer Lance Alworth, Keith Lincoln and Paul Lowe.

When they moved, Garcia got rid of most of his Chargers gear except for a few jerseys, an AFL pennant and an aerial photo of Balboa Stadium. He even changed his Twitter handle to Formerly Boltmen and his address to @NoMasBolts.

“I was a fan of the San Diego Chargers,” he said. “To me there's still an importance of where the team is from. They represented my turf. They don't anymore.”

He's largely sworn off the NFL. “I've got no dog in the hunt,” he said.

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Oregon quarterback Justin Herbert (10) has accomplished plenty in his career, but he hasn't won a Pac-12 division title. The Ducks are favored to change that this year.

# JUSTIN'S TIME

Quarterback wants to peak as he enters his final college season at Oregon

By ANNE M. PETERSON  
Associated Press

EUGENE, Ore. — When Justin Herbert looks at the arc of his career at Oregon, he sees it through the lens of the team as a whole.

The Ducks went 4-8 under Mark Helfrich in Herbert's freshman year. Then there was Willie Taggart's lone season at the helm before Mario Cristobal led a more united Oregon to a 9-4 record last year.

That growth is one of the reasons Herbert returned for his senior season.

"I came here and we weren't a great football team. We were kind of a group of individuals that year," he said. "I think the past couple of years we've done a really good job of coming together and becoming a team."

While Herbert has grown more comfortable taking on a leadership role and speaking to the media, he has always shied away from discussing individual accomplishments — prefer-

ring instead to keep it about the team.

But those accomplishments are considerable, and he's among the reasons Oregon was picked to finish atop the Pac-12 North in the league's preseason media poll. The Ducks edged Washington by a point.

Herbert, mentioned as a Heisman candidate heading into last season, threw for 3,153 yards with 29 touchdowns. He has thrown at least one touchdown in 28 straight games, the longest current streak in the nation.

Over his 28 career starts, the Ducks have averaged 38.3 points a game. A local kid from Eugene's Sheldon High School, Herbert has thrown for 7,070 yards and 63 touchdowns in his three years so far.

While there was speculation he might bolt for the NFL after his junior season, Herbert announced shortly before Oregon's 7-6 victory over Michigan State in the RedBox Bowl that he would stay for his senior

year. Barring disaster, he should be among the top quarterback prospects in next year's NFL draft.

"I think it's a really special group of guys — all the guys sitting over there, they're great to be around, they're great teammates," Herbert said at Oregon's media day at the start of fall camp. "The coaching staff and all the staff, it's really special. It's really something I wanted to be around for another year."

And there's something else: Herbert will be joined this season at Oregon by his brother, tight end Patrick Herbert, a four-star recruit who was among nearly a dozen early enrollees for the Ducks.

The younger Herbert is already grabbing attention from Cristobal, who said he worked with the tight ends and tackles on the first day of practice.

"My first chance to really kind of get in there with him and he responded great and that's his DNA. The family

DNA. We all know his family," Cristobal said. "Expecting big things from Patrick and we really think he's in the mix to play this year."

The elder Herbert will be looking for a new primary target this season. Dillon Mitchell, who topped the league last season with 75 catches for 1,184 yards and 10 touchdowns, left Oregon early and was drafted by the Vikings. The team also took a hit this week when senior receiver Brenden Schooler underwent a foot procedure. He is projected to miss six to eight weeks.

A newcomer in the mix is Juwan Johnson, a graduate transfer from Penn State who had 81 catches for 1,123 yards and two touchdowns over three seasons with the Nittany Lions.

Cristobal said Herbert's task this season is to control the offense.

"There's going to be some times this year where a guy like that is going to have to take over a football game. We've all seen it

and he's already done it a number of times. It's the next natural part of his growth just like he has done as a leader," Cristobal said. "He's done a great job as leader: Great job being able to communicate with the football team, get in front of them, lead by example but also be able to voice his reasons, his concerns or what he feels is important. When your quarterback does that I think it gives you a tremendous advantage."

Herbert is managing the expectations on him, as well as on the Ducks as a whole, in much the same way he did last season. He's ignoring the outside noise.

"I would say not to let it distract you too much, just focus on you, focus on our guys, our team," he said when asked if he'd learned anything from the attention he got last year. "Listen to the people that really matter to you, and not let it distract you too much, I'd say."

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